

Thermal energy

Changes in thermal energy

Thermal energy and rises in temperature ($m = \text{constant}$)
Universal physics measuring instrument

Object of the experiment

- Investigate the relationship between a rise in the temperature of water and the rise in thermal energy for constant mass

Setup



Settings for Joule and wattmeter:

- Use the U , I , P button to set the measured variable to be work and its value to 0.00 kW.
- Press the button t START/STOP such that the red LED comes on.
- If necessary, press the OUTPUT button so that the left-hand LED lights up (no voltage at plug socket).
- Fill the measuring beaker with 0.8 kg of water.

Apparatus

1 Temperature sensor S, NTC.....	524 044
1 Universal physics measuring instrument.....	531 835
1 Immersion heater.....	303 25
1 Plastic beaker.....	590 06
1 Joule and wattmeter.....	531 831
1 Stand base, V-shaped, small.....	300 02
1 Stand rod, 25 cm, 12 mm diam.....	300 41
1 Universal clamp, 0...80 mm.....	666 555
1 Leybold multiclamp.....	301 01

Procedure

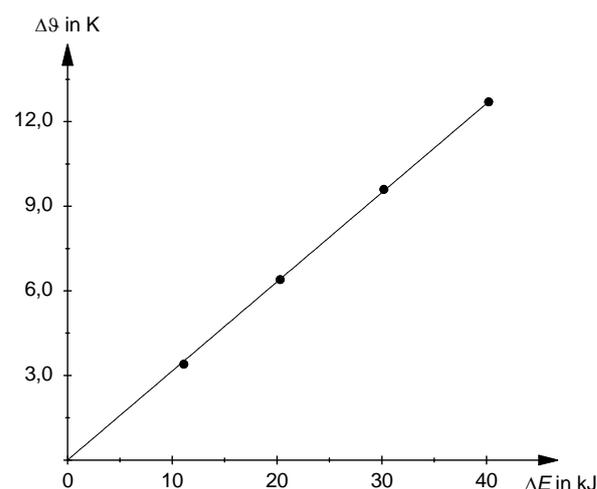
- Determine the temperature of the water ϑ_0 .
- Press the OUTPUT button of the Joule and wattmeter so that the right-hand LED lights up.
- Wait till the immersion heater has done about 10 kW of electrical work.
- Then press the OUTPUT button of the Joule and wattmeter so that the left-hand LED lights up.
- Briefly stir the water in the measuring beaker with the immersion heater.
- When the system has settled to a constant temperature, read this temperature ϑ from the universal measuring instrument and enter it into the table.
- Press the OUTPUT button so that the right-hand LED lights up.
- Repeat the measurement when the immersion heater has done 20 kW, 30 kW and 40 kW of work.
- Calculate the rise in temperature $\Delta\vartheta$ and plot a graph of the relationship between the thermal energy supplied ΔE and the increase in water temperature $\Delta\vartheta$.

Measuring example

$$\vartheta_0 = 26.2^\circ\text{C}, m = 0.8 \text{ kg}$$

ΔE in kJ	ϑ in $^\circ\text{C}$	$\Delta\vartheta$ in K
11.1	29.6	3.4
20.3	32.6	6.4
30.2	35.8	9.6
40.2	38.9	12.7

Evaluation



The more thermal energy is supplied to water of constant mass, the higher its temperature rises. The following is true: $\Delta E \sim \Delta\vartheta$.

Remark:

The proportionality demonstrated here only applies as long as the water remains in the same aggregate state.