

A heat engine does a work of 250 J and has an efficiency of 25%. What is

- (a) The heat extracted from the hot reservoir
- (b) The heat exhausted into the cold reservoir

Given:

Work done by the heat engine:

$$W = 250 \text{ J}$$

Efficiency of the heat engine:

$$e = 25\% = 0.25$$

Determine:

- (a) The heat extracted from the hot reservoir: Q_H

Use Formula:

$$e = W / Q_H \text{ -----(1)}$$

Rearranging (1) and substituting for e and W in (1):

$$Q_H = W / e = 250 / 0.25 = 1000 \text{ J}$$

- (b) The heat exhausted into the cold reservoir: Q_C

Use formula:

$$W = Q_H - Q_C \text{ -----(2)}$$

Rearranging (2) and substituting for Q_H and W in (2):

$$Q_C = Q_H - W = 1000 - 250 = 750 \text{ J}$$