

## CHAPTER OVERVIEW

### 6: Second Law of Thermodynamics

In chapter 5, we have discussed heat engines as a means of understanding how some processes are spontaneous while others are not. Carnot's findings did not just simply inspire Lord Kelvin on this subject, but they also motivated Rudolf Clausius (1822–1888) to introduce the concept of entropy.

[6.1: Entropy](#)

[6.2: Irreversible Cycles](#)

[6.3: The Second Law of Thermodynamics](#)

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