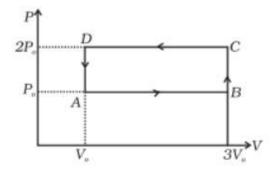
An ideal gas undergoes cyclic process ABCDA as shown in given P-V diagram (Fig.). The amount of work done by the gas is



- 1) 6P_o V_o
- 2) -2 P₀ V_o
- 3) + 4 P_o V_o
- 4) + 2 Po Vo

Sol. 2) -2 P₀ V_o

We know that total amount of work done = area under

P-V diagram.

According to the P-V diagram,

work done in process ABCDA = area of rectangle ABCDA

- $= AB \times BC$
- $= (3V_0-V_0) \times (2 P_0-P_0)$
- $= 2V_0 \times P_0$
- $=2 P_0 V_0$
- : the process is anti-clockwise
- ... work done by the process is negative.

Hence, amount of work done by the gas = $-2 P_0 V_0$