

Midterm Exam # 1

Answer Sheet: (All problems are multiple choice. List the letter that corresponds to the correct answer. Maximum number of points you can get is 25 pts!)

Conceptual questions (each 1.0 pts):

- 1) d
- 2) e
- 3) c
- 4) a
- 5) b
- 6) a
- 7) b
- 8) b
- 9) b
- 10) c
- 11) a
- 12) c
- 13) b

Problems and Calculations (each 2.0 pts):

- 1) i
- 2) i
- 3) g
- 4) e
- 5) F
- 6) g

Conceptual Questions:

- Which of the following properties is intensive?
 - Mass
 - Volume
 - Particle number
 - Density
 - None of a) - d)
- Suppose we decrease the temperature of a gas by a factor 3 ($T_2 = T_1/3$). What is the relationship between the kinetic energies?
 - $E_2 = 9 E_1$
 - $E_2 = E_1$
 - $E_2 = 3 E_1$
 - $E_2 = E_1/\sqrt{3}$
 - $E_2 = E_1/3$
 - None of a)-e)
- If N_2 and H_2 behave as an ideal gas, and are at the same temperature, the average kinetic energy
 - of N_2 is smaller than that of H_2
 - of N_2 is larger than that of H_2
 - of the molecules in both gases is the same
- The Maxwell distribution law gives the probability distribution of the speed of gas molecules. When temperature increases,
 - the distribution curve becomes flatter
 - the distribution curve becomes more peaked
 - the area under the distribution becomes smaller
 - the average speed of the molecules decreases
 - none of a)-d)
- Atmospheric pressure
 - does not depend on temperature
 - decreases exponentially with altitude
 - increases exponentially with altitude
 - None of a) - c)
- Let P_w be the pressure resulting from a 2 m column of water, and P_{Hg} be the pressure resulting from a 2 m column of mercury. Which statement is true?
 - $P_w < P_{Hg}$
 - $P_w = P_{Hg}$
 - $P_w > P_{Hg}$

7. Which of the following statements is correct about the Joule-Thomson experiment?
- a. $\Delta U = 0$
 - b. $\Delta H = 0$
 - c. $W = 0$
 - d. None of a) - c)
8. During reversible isothermal compression of an ideal gas,
- a. $\Delta U = 0$ and $\Delta H > 0$
 - b. $\Delta U = 0$ and $\Delta H = 0$
 - c. $\Delta U = 0$ and $\Delta H < 0$
 - d. None of a) - c)
9. The first law of thermodynamic states that
- a. The energy of an isolated system increases as it approaches equilibrium
 - b. The energy is conserved in an isolated system
 - c. The energy of an isolated system decreases as it approaches equilibrium
 - d. The entropy of all perfectly crystalline substances is zero at $T = 0$ K.
 - e. External work is needed to pump heat from a system at low temperature to one at a higher temperature.
 - f. None of a) - e)
10. The second law of thermodynamic states that
- a. The energy is conserved in an isolated system
 - b. The entropy of all perfectly crystalline substances is zero at $T = 0$ K.
 - c. External work is needed to pump heat from a system at low temperature to one at a higher temperature.
 - d. None of a)-c)
11. Which of the following statements is true for a Carnot cycle?
- a. The efficiency of a Carnot Cycle depends on the ratio of temperatures T_L/T_H , where T_H is the higher temperature
 - b. Not all Carnot engines have the same efficiency.
 - c. A Carnot engine cannot be used as a refrigerator
 - d. None of a)-c)
12. The entropy change in a Carnot cycle is
- a. positive
 - b. negative
 - c. zero
13. For a reversible adiabatic expansion of a real gas, the entropy changes as
- a. $\Delta S > 0$
 - b. $\Delta S = 0$
 - c. $\Delta S < 0$

Problems and Calculations:

1. An ideal gas occupies a volume V of 1.25 dm^3 at a pressure P of $5.0 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$. What is the new volume of the gas maintained at the same temperature T if the pressure P is reduced to $1.0 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$?

- a. 0.25 dm^3
- b. 0.32 dm^3
- c. 0.42 dm^3
- d. 0.63 dm^3
- e. 1.25 dm^3
- f. 2.50 dm^3
- g. 3.75 dm^3
- h. 5.00 dm^3
- i. 6.25 dm^3
- j. none of a) - i)

$$PV = nRT \Rightarrow V = nRT/P$$

$$P_{\text{new}} = P_{\text{old}}/5 \Rightarrow V_{\text{new}} = 5 \times V_{\text{old}} = 6.25 \text{ dm}^3$$

2. For O_2 gas at 600 K, calculate the ratio of the fraction of molecules that have the speed $u_2 = 3 u_1$ to the fraction that have speed u_1 . Assume that $u_1 = \bar{u}$ (the average speed of molecules at this temperature).

- a. 1.42×10^{-9}
- b. 4.26×10^{-9}
- c. 1.28×10^{-8}
- d. 1.06×10^{-5}
- e. 3.17×10^{-5}
- f. 9.50×10^{-5}
- g. 3.77×10^{-5}
- h. 1.13×10^{-4}
- i. 3.39×10^{-4}
- j. none of a) -i)

$$\frac{N(u)}{N} = 4\pi \left(\frac{m}{2\pi k_B T} \right)^{3/2} e^{-\frac{mu^2}{k_B T}} \cdot u^2 du$$

$$\frac{N(u_2)}{N(u_1)} = \frac{u_2^2}{u_1^2} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{m}{2k_B T} (u_2^2 - u_1^2)\right)$$

$$= 9 \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{m}{2k_B T} (9-1)u_1^2\right)$$

$$= 9 \cdot \exp\left(-8u_1^2 \frac{m}{2k_B T}\right) \quad u_1 = \bar{u} = \sqrt{\frac{8k_B T}{\pi m}}$$

$$= 9 \exp\left(-\frac{32}{\pi}\right)$$

$$= 7u_1^2 = \frac{8k_B T}{\pi m}$$

$$= 9 \cdot \exp(-10.186)$$

$$= 9 \cdot 3.77 \cdot 10^{-5}$$

$$= 3.39 \times 10^{-4}$$

3. Calculate the pressure of 2.5 dm³ of a gas weighing 60.0 g at 700 K using the van der Waal's equation (use a = 0.85 Pa m⁶ / mol²; b = 0.00007 m³/mol). The molar mass of the gas is M = 15.0 g/mol

- a) 83.11 bar
- b. 8.311 bar
- c. 0.8311 bar
- d. 1.049 bar
- e. 10.49 bar
- f. 104.9 bar
- g. 126.6 bar
- h. 12.66 bar
- i. 1.266 bar
- j. none of a) - i)

$$\left(p + \frac{an^2}{V^2}\right)(V - nb) = nRT$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \frac{nRT}{V - nb} - \frac{an^2}{V^2} \quad n = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{60}{15} \text{ mol} = 4 \text{ mol}$$

$$= \frac{4 \cdot 8.3145 \cdot 700}{2.5 \times 10^{-3} - 4 \cdot 0.00007} \text{ Pa} - \frac{0.85 \cdot 4^2}{2.5^2 \cdot 10^{-6}} \text{ Pa}$$

$$= \frac{23280.6}{2.5 \times 10^{-3} - 2.8 \cdot 10^{-4}} \text{ Pa} - \frac{13.6}{6.25 \cdot 10^{-6}} \text{ Pa}$$

$$= \frac{23280.6}{2.22 \times 10^{-3}} \text{ Pa} - \frac{2.176}{10^{-6}} \text{ Pa}$$

$$= 10486.5 \cdot 10^3 \text{ Pa} - 2.176 \cdot 10^6 \text{ Pa}$$

$$= 10,487 \cdot 10^6 \text{ Pa} - 2.176 \cdot 10^6 \text{ Pa}$$

$$= 8.311 \times 10^6 \text{ Pa}$$

$$= 83.11 \text{ bar}$$

4. Two mol of an ideal gas is reversibly expanded at a constant temperature until $V_2 = 8 V_1$. If the gas performed $W = -24 \text{ kJ}$ of work, what is its temperature T ?
- 2670 K
 - 1441 K
 - 1388 K
 - 720 K
 - 694 K
 - 612 K
 - 413 K
 - 223 K
 - 103 K
 - none of a) - i)

$$W = nRT \ln \frac{V_1}{V_2} \Rightarrow T = \frac{W}{nR \ln \frac{V_1}{V_2}}$$

$$T = \frac{-24 \cdot 10^3}{-2.303 \cdot 8.3145 \cdot \ln 8} \cdot 10^3 \text{ K}$$

$$= \frac{12}{8.3145 \cdot 2.0794} \cdot 10^3 \text{ K}$$

$$= \frac{12}{17.2895} \cdot 10^3 \text{ K}$$

$$= 0.6941 \cdot 10^3 \text{ K}$$

$$= 694.1 \text{ K}$$

5. A Carnot engine operates between temperatures $T_H=3000$ K and $T_C=75$ K. How much heat (absolute value) needs to be put into the engine at T_H in order to obtain $W=-6000$ J of work from the engine?

- a. 1625.0 kJ
- b. 162.50 kJ
- c. 16.250 kJ
- d. 1.6250 kJ
- e. 5.8537 kJ
- f. 6.1538 kJ
- g. 61.538 kJ
- h. 615.38 kJ
- i. 6153.8 kJ
- j. none of a) - i)

$$\eta = 1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H} = 1 - \frac{75}{3000} = 1 - 0.025 = 0.975$$

$$= -\frac{W_{rev}}{Q_H} \Rightarrow Q_H = \frac{-W_{rev}}{\eta} = \frac{6000 \text{ J}}{0.975} = 6153.8 \text{ J}$$
$$= 6.1538 \text{ kJ}$$

6. A vessel is divided by a partition into two compartments. One side contains 5 mol of O_2 at a pressure of 1 bar, the other 10 mol of N_2 at the same pressure. Assume ideal gas behavior. What is the entropy change when the partition is removed?

- a. 11.96 J
- b. 34.48 J
- c. 79.39 J
- d. 258.4 J
- e. 11.96 J/K
- f. 34.48 J/K
- g. 79.39 J/K
- h. 258.4 J/K
- i. 108.2 J/(K mol)
- j. none of a) - i)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta S &= -R [n_1 \ln x_1 + n_2 \ln x_2] \\
 &= -R \left[n_1 \ln \frac{n_1}{n_1+n_2} + n_2 \ln \frac{n_2}{n_1+n_2} \right] \\
 &= -R \left[5 \ln \frac{5}{15} + 10 \ln \frac{10}{15} \right] \\
 &= -R \left[5 \ln \frac{1}{3} + 10 \ln \frac{2}{3} \right] \\
 &= R \left[5 \ln 3 + 10 \ln 1.5 \right] \\
 &= 8.3145 \left[5 \cdot 1.0986 + 10 \cdot 0.4055 \right] \text{ J/K} \\
 &= 8.3145 \cdot [5.493 + 4.055] \text{ J/K} \\
 &= 8.3145 \cdot 9.548 \text{ J/K} \\
 &= 79.39 \text{ J/K}
 \end{aligned}$$

Useful Equations and Constants:

$$\overline{u^2} = \frac{3k_B T}{m}$$

$$\overline{u} = \sqrt{\frac{8k_B T}{\pi m}}$$

$$u_{mp} = \sqrt{\frac{2k_B T}{m}}$$

$$\overline{\varepsilon} = \frac{3}{2} k_B T$$

$$\left(P + \frac{an^2}{V^2} \right) (V - nb) = nRT$$

$$\lambda = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2\pi d^2 N}}$$

$$\frac{dN}{N} = 4\pi \left(\frac{m}{2\pi k_B T} \right)^{3/2} e^{-mu^2/2k_B T} u^2 du$$

$$Z = \frac{PV}{nRT} = \frac{PV_m}{RT}$$

$$\left(P_r + \frac{3}{V_r} \right) \left(V_r - \frac{1}{3} \right) = \frac{8}{3} T_r \quad P_i = \frac{RT}{V} \sum_i n_i$$

$$\Delta U = q + w$$

$$w = - \int_{V_i}^{V_f} P_{ext} dV$$

$$\Delta H_m(T_2) = \Delta H_m(T_1) + \int_{T_1}^{T_2} \Delta C_p dT$$

$$w = -P_{ext} \Delta V$$

$$w = -nRT \ln \left(\frac{V_2}{V_1} \right)$$

$$H = U + PV$$

$$\Delta H = \Delta U + \Delta(PV)$$

$$\Delta H = \Delta U + \Delta nRT$$

$$\Delta U = nC_{V,m}(T_2 - T_1)$$

$$\Delta H = nC_{P,m}(T_2 - T_1)$$

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \left(\frac{V_1}{V_2} \right)^{\gamma-1}$$

$$\frac{P_2}{P_1} = \left(\frac{V_1}{V_2} \right)^{\gamma}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{C_{P,m}}{C_{V,m}}$$

$$C_{P,m} - C_{V,m} = R$$

$$\Delta U = -n^2 a \left(\frac{1}{V_2} - \frac{1}{V_1} \right)$$

$$w = -nRT \ln \left(\frac{V_2 - nb}{V_1 - nb} \right) - n^2 a \left(\frac{1}{V_2} - \frac{1}{V_1} \right)$$

$$\eta = \frac{T_h - T_c}{T_h}$$

$$\Delta S = nR \ln \frac{V_f}{V_i}$$

$$\Delta S = nR \ln \frac{P_i}{P_f}$$

$$\Delta S = nC_{P,m} \ln \frac{T_f}{T_i}$$

$$\Delta S = nC_{V,m} \ln \frac{T_f}{T_i}$$

$$\Delta S = -R(x_1 \ln x_1 + x_2 \ln x_2) \quad G = H - TS$$

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$$

$$\Delta S = n_1 R \ln\left(\frac{V_1 + V_2}{V_1}\right) + n_2 R \ln\left(\frac{V_1 + V_2}{V_2}\right)$$

$$A = U - TS$$

$$\Delta A = \Delta U - T\Delta S$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\right)_T = -P + T\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial P}\right)_T = V - T\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\right)_P$$

$$RT \ln \frac{f}{P} = \int_0^P \left(V_m - \frac{RT}{P'} \right) dP'$$

$$L = 6.022 \cdot 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

$$R = 8.3145 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1} = 0.082057 \text{ atm dm}^3 \text{ K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1} = 1.98719 \text{ cal K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

$$k_B = 1.381 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

$$1 \text{ atm} = 101325 \text{ Pa}, \quad 1 \text{ bar} = 100000 \text{ Pa}$$

$$1 \text{ m}^3 = 1000 \text{ liter} = 1000 \text{ dm}^3$$

$$1 \text{ W} = 1 \text{ J s}^{-1}$$

$$1 \text{ horsepower} = 745.6 \text{ W}$$

Thermodynamic data for compounds (all values are for 298.15 K and 1 bar)

	$\Delta_f H^\circ / \text{kJ mol}^{-1}$	$S^\circ / \text{JK}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$	$C_{p,m} / \text{JK}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
$\text{H}_2(g)$	0	130.68	28.82
$\text{N}_2(g)$	0	191.61	29.13
$\text{O}_2(g)$	0	205.14	29.34
$\text{CO}(g)$	-110.53	197.67	29.14
$\text{CO}_2(g)$	-393.51	213.74	37.11
$\text{H}_2\text{O}(l)$	-285.83	69.91	75.29
$\text{H}_2\text{O}(g)$	-241.82	188.83	33.58
$\text{C}(\text{graphite})$	0	5.74	8.527
$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}(s)$	-277.69	160.7	111.5
$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{OH}(s)$	-165.47	144.0	221.2