

Worksheet # 3 (Total number of points you can get is 3 pts)

1. Suppose we have a gas consisting of molecules A. The temperature is raised from T_1 to $T_2 = 2T_1$.

a. What is relationship between the average molecular speeds u_1 and u_2 ?

Assume $\bar{u} \propto \sqrt{u^2}$

$$\bar{u} \propto \sqrt{u^2}, \quad u^2 \propto T \Rightarrow \bar{u} \propto \sqrt{T} \Rightarrow \bar{u}_2 = \sqrt{2} \bar{u}_1$$

b. What is the relationship between collision frequencies Z_{A1} and Z_{A2} ?

$$Z_A = \frac{\sqrt{2} \pi d_A^2 N_A \bar{u}_A}{V} \Rightarrow Z_{A2} = \sqrt{2} Z_{A1}$$

c. What is the relationship between the mean free paths λ_1 and λ_2 ?

$$\lambda = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2} \pi d_A^2 N_A} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2$$

2. What is the total kinetic energy of 3 mol of an ideal monoatomic gas confined to 10 l at 200 kPa? What is the root-mean-square-speed of the gas particles? ($M = 19 \text{ g/mol}$)

$$E_{kin} = \frac{3}{2} nRT \quad PV = nRT$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} PV = \frac{3}{2} \cdot 10 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3 \cdot 200 \cdot 10^3 \text{ Pa} = 3000 \text{ J}$$

$$\bar{v}^2 = \frac{3RT}{M} \Rightarrow \sqrt{\bar{v}^2} = \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{M}} = \sqrt{\frac{3PV}{nM}} = \sqrt{\frac{6000 \text{ J}}{3 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ mol} \cdot 19 \text{ g/mol}}} = \sqrt{2} \cdot 10^3 \text{ m/s} = 1414 \text{ m/s}$$

3. It takes a certain gas three times as long to effuse through an orifice as the same amount of oxygen ($M = 32 \text{ g/mol}$). What is the molar mass of the gas?

$$\text{rate} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \Rightarrow \frac{\text{rate (A)}}{\text{rate (O}_2\text{)}} = \frac{1}{3} = \frac{\sqrt{M_{O_2}}}{\sqrt{M_A}} \Rightarrow M_A = 9 M_{O_2} = 288 \text{ g/mol}$$