

CHEM 3423 001 Spring 2024

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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 18 pts!)

Conceptual questions (each 0.75 pts):

- 1) d
- 2) d
- 3) d
- 4) d
- 5) A
- 6) B
- 7) C
- 8) B
- 9) C
- 10) C
- 11) B
- 12) B

Problems and Calculations (each 1.5 pts):

- 1) F
- 2) H
- 3) C
- 4) A
- 5) E
- 6) F

Conceptual Questions:

1. Which of the following properties is extensive?
 - a. Density
 - b. Temperature
 - c. Pressure
 - ☒ d. Particle number
 - e. None of a) - d)

2. The internal energy U of an *ideal gas* is made up
 - a. Only of potential energy due to interaction between the particles
 - b. Both potential and kinetic energy
 - c. Neither of potential nor of kinetic energy
 - ☒ d. Only of kinetic energy of the gas molecule

3. Suppose we increase the temperature of a gas by a factor 2 ($T_2 = 2 T_1$). What is the relationship between the average speed of molecules?
 - a. $v_2 = 4 v_1$
 - b. $v_2 = v_1$
 - c. $v_2 = 2 v_1$
 - ☒ d. $v_2 = \sqrt{2} v_1$
 - e. $v_2 = \frac{1}{2} v_1$
 - f. None of a) - e)

4. The Maxwell distribution law gives the probability distribution of the speed of gas molecules. When temperature increases,
 - a. the distribution curve becomes sharper
 - b. the area under the distribution becomes smaller
 - c. the average speed of the molecules decreases
 - ☒ d. the distribution curve becomes flatter
 - e. none of a)-d)

5. Atmospheric pressure
 - ☒ a. decreases exponentially with altitude
 - b. increases exponentially with altitude
 - c. does not depend on temperature
 - d. None of a) - c)

6. In the van der Waals equation, the correction for volume accounts for
 - a. interactions between gas molecules
 - ☒ b. finite size of gas molecules
 - c. Neither a) nor b)

7. The first law of thermodynamic states that
- a. The energy of an isolated system increases as it approaches equilibrium
 - b. The energy of an isolated system decreases as it approaches equilibrium
 - ☒ c. The energy does not change with time in an isolated system
 - d. None of a)-c)
8. For a system at constant pressure, heat added to, or subtracted from, a system is equal to
- a. the change ΔU in internal energy
 - ☒ b. the change ΔH in enthalpy
 - c. the change ΔS in entropy
 - d. none of a) – c)
9. The second law of thermodynamic states that
- a. The energy is conserved in an isolated system
 - b. The entropies 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.
10. The entropy change in a Carnot cycle is
- a. positive
 - b. negative
 - ☒ c. zero
11. The efficiency of a Carnot engine depends only on
- a. the type of gas
 - ☒ b. the ratio of temperatures T_L/T_H , where T_H is the higher temperature
 - c. neither a) nor b)
12. An isolated system is said to be in equilibrium if
- a. $\Delta S > 0$
 - ☒ b. $\Delta S = 0$
 - c. $\Delta S < 0$

Problems and Calculations:

1. A gas that behaves ideally has a density ρ of 4.0 g (dm)^{-3} at pressure $P = 400 \text{ kPa}$ and $T = 1200 \text{ K}$. What is its molar mass M ?

- a. 99.8 kg/mol
- b. 0.0125 kg/mol
- c. 24.94 kg/mol
- d. 0.0249 kg/mol
- e. 4989 g/mol
- ☒ f. 99.8 g/mol
- g. 0.099 g/mol
- h. none of a) - g)

$$PV = nRT = \frac{m}{M} RT \Rightarrow M = \frac{m}{V} \frac{RT}{P} = \rho \frac{RT}{P}$$

$$\Rightarrow M = 4.0 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \cdot \frac{8.3145 \cdot 1200}{400 \cdot 10^3} \frac{\text{J}}{\text{mol K}} \frac{\text{K}}{\text{kPa}}$$

$$= \frac{39909.6}{400 \cdot 10^3} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{mol}}$$

$$= 99.774 \cdot 10^{-3} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{mol}}$$

$$= 99.8 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{mol}}$$

2. Two mol of an ideal gas is reversibly expanded at constant temperature until $V_2 = 6 V_1$. If the gas performed $W = -30 \text{ kJ}$ of work, what is its temperature?
- a. 5.61 K
 - b. 11.22 K
 - c. 56.04 K
 - d. 100.69 K
 - e. 273.15 K
 - f. 350.56 K
 - g. 560.45 K
 - ☒ h. 1006.9 K
 - i. none of a) -h)

$$\begin{aligned} W &= n R T \ln \frac{V_1}{V_2} \Rightarrow T = \frac{W}{n R \ln \frac{V_1}{V_2}} \\ &= \frac{-30 \cdot 10^3}{-2 \cdot 8.3145 \cdot \ln 6} \text{ K} \\ &= \frac{30 \cdot 10^3}{16.629 \cdot 1.7917} \text{ K} \\ &= \frac{30}{29.795} \cdot 10^3 \text{ K} \\ &= 1006.9 \text{ K} \end{aligned}$$

3. At what temperature T and pressure P will H_2 be in a corresponding state with CH_4 at 600 K and 3.5 bar pressure? The critical temperatures are $T_c = 33.2$ K for H_2 and $T_c = 190.6$ K for CH_4 ; the critical pressures $P_c = 13.0$ bar for H_2 and $P_c = 46.0$ bar for CH_4 .

- a. $P = 355.7$ bar; $T = 18.66$ K
- b. $P = 2.15$ bar; $T = 0.021$ K
- c. $P = 0.989$ bar; $T = 104.51$ K
- d. $P = 0.003$ bar; $T = 0.009$ K
- e. $P = 4.05$ bar; $T = 105.08$ K
- f. $P = 0.989$ bar; $T = 10.451$ K
- g. $P = 545.7$ bar; $T = 97.08$ K
- h. $P = 545.7$ bar; $T = 0.011$ K
- i. $P = 0.003$ bar; $T = 0.011$ K
- j. None of a) - i)

$$P_R = \frac{P}{P_c^{(1)}} = \frac{3.5}{46.0} = 0.07609$$

$$P = P_R \cdot P_c^{(2)} = 0.9891 \text{ bar}$$

$$T_R = \frac{T}{T_c^{(1)}} = \frac{600}{190.6} = 3.14795$$

$$T = T_R \cdot T_c^{(2)} = 104.51 \text{ K}$$

4. A Carnot engine operates between a temperature $T_C = 50 \text{ K}$ and a higher temperature T_H and produces $W = -60 \text{ kJ}$ of work per cycle. The entropy change during the isothermal expansion at T_H is 300 J/K . What is the value of T_H ?
- a. 250 K
 - b. 300 K
 - c. 350 K
 - d. 400 K
 - e. 450 K
 - f. 500 K
 - g. none of a) - f)

$$\Delta S = \frac{Q_H}{T_H} ; \quad \frac{Q_H}{T_H} + \frac{Q_C}{T_C} = 0 \Rightarrow Q_C = -\Delta S \cdot T_C$$

$$W = -(Q_H + Q_C) \Rightarrow Q_H = -W - Q_C = -W + \Delta S T_C$$

$$\Delta S = \frac{Q_H}{T_H} \Rightarrow T_H = \frac{Q_H}{\Delta S} = \frac{\Delta S T_C - W}{\Delta S} = T_C - \frac{W}{\Delta S}$$

$$= 50 \text{ K} - \frac{-60 \cdot 10^3 \text{ J}}{300 \text{ J/K}}$$

$$= 50 \text{ K} + 200 \text{ K}$$

$$= 250 \text{ K}$$

5. A certain gas has a molecular collision diameter d of 0.58 nm. Calculate the mean free path λ of that gas at $T = 800$ K and $P = 700$ kPa.

- a. 4.95×10^{-87} m
- b. 4.95×10^{-8} m
- c. 4.95×10^{-9} m
- d. 1.06×10^{-7} m
- e. 1.06×10^{-8} m
- f. 1.06×10^{-9} m
- g. 3.1×10^{-7} m
- h. 3.1×10^{-8} m
- i. 3.1×10^{-9} m
- j. none of a) - i)

$$\lambda = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2} \pi d^2 N} \quad , \quad \frac{V}{N} = \frac{RT}{P}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{RT}{\sqrt{2} \pi P d^2}$$

$$= \frac{8.3145 \cdot 800}{1.414 \cdot 3.14 \cdot 6.022 \cdot 10^{23} \cdot 700 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 0.58^2 \cdot 10^{-18}}$$

$$= \frac{6651.6}{6306.28 \cdot 10^8} \text{ m}$$

$$= 1.06 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ m}$$

6. Calculate the pressure of 1 dm³ of a gas weighing 40.0 g at 600 K using the van der Waal's equation (use $a = 0.75 \text{ Pa m}^6 / \text{mol}^2$; $b = 0.00005 \text{ m}^3 / \text{mol}$). The molar mass of the gas is $M = 10.0 \text{ g/mol}$

- a. 0.12944 Pa
- b. 1.2944 Pa
- c. 12.944 Pa
- d. 129.44 kPa
- e. 1294.4 kPa
- ☒ f. 12944 kPa
- g. none of a) - f)

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

$$\Rightarrow P = \frac{nRT}{V - nb} - \frac{an^2}{V^2} \quad n = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{40}{10} = 4$$

$$= \frac{4 \cdot 8.3145 \cdot 600}{0.001 - 4 \cdot 0.00005} \text{ Pa} - \frac{0.75 \cdot 4^2}{10^{-6}} \text{ Pa}$$

$$= \frac{19954.8}{0.0002} \text{ Pa} - \frac{12}{10^{-6}} \text{ Pa}$$

$$= 2.4949 \cdot 10^7 \text{ Pa} - 12 \cdot 10^6 \text{ Pa}$$

$$= 12944 \text{ kPa}$$