

Quiz 7.3 – Gas Kinetics

Name: Key

Problem 1 (2 points)

The temperature in Cedar city can range over the year from -10°C and $35^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow 308\text{ K}$ Find the v_{rms} for nitrogen gas at -10°C and 35°C $\rightarrow 263\text{ K}$

$$v_{\text{rms}} = \left(\frac{3RT}{M} \right)^{1/2}$$

~~$v_{\text{rms}} = \left(\frac{3 \cdot 8.314 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K} \cdot 263 \text{ K}}{0.028 \text{ kg/mol}} \right)^{1/2}$~~

Wrong R!

$$v_{\text{rms}} = \left(\frac{3 \cdot 8.314 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K} \cdot 263 \text{ K}}{0.0280 \text{ kg/mol}} \right)^{1/2} = 287 \text{ m/s @ } -10^{\circ}\text{C}$$

$$v_{\text{rms}} = \left(\frac{3 \cdot 8.314 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K} \cdot 308 \text{ K}}{0.0280 \text{ kg/mol}} \right)^{1/2} = 524 \text{ m/s @ } 35^{\circ}\text{C}$$

Problem 2 (2 points)

Two identical balloons are each filled with gas to equal volumes. One balloon contains He and the other contains O_2 . Identical pinholes are punched into both balloons at the same time, and it takes 73 s for the He balloon to deflate to half its initial volume. How long would you predict it will take the O_2 balloon to deflate to half its original volume?

$$\frac{r_1}{r_2} = \sqrt{\frac{M_2}{M_1}}$$

$$\frac{r_{\text{O}_2}}{r_{\text{He}}} = \sqrt{\frac{4.00 \text{ g/mol}}{32.00 \text{ g/mol}}} = 0.354$$

O_2 leaks at 0.354 times the rate of He, so He time will be 0.354 times the O_2 time

$$t_{\text{O}_2} = \frac{t_{\text{He}}}{0.354} = \frac{73 \text{ s}}{0.354} = 206 \text{ s}$$

Problem 3 (1 point)

The van Der Waals equation improves the ideal gas law by adding in two new parameters: a and b

Briefly describe what physical properties each of these two parameters relates to:

a: Attractive forces between gas particles

b: The physical size of real gas particles