

Tutorial 1, solution - PH 2202, Spring 21, AK (1)

Q1:

$$pV_0 = RT$$

[$p, V_0, T \rightarrow$ pressure, volume
temperature of 1 mole of
a gas; R is unknown]

choose freezing point of water (1 atmos) $\rightarrow T_1$
choose boiling point of water (1 atmos) $\rightarrow T_2$
(both are fixed temperatures, but unknown
till now)

$$\text{SO, } p_1 V_{01} = RT_1 \quad (\text{at } T_1)$$

$$p_2 V_{02} = RT_2 \quad (\text{at } T_2)$$

p_1, p_2, V_{01}, V_{02} can be measured. Gives.

$\frac{T_2}{T_1} \rightarrow$ known number (found out to be
1.3661)

choose, $T_2 - T_1 = 100$ (to match with
centigrade scale)

these two give: $T_1 = 273.16, T_2 = 373.16;$

Putting the value in any one of the

equations: $R = \frac{p_1 V_{01}}{T_1}$ or $\frac{p_2 V_{02}}{T_2}$, turns

out to be 8.317 Joule/Kelvin (see Q3).

Q2:

$$\sqrt{c^2} = \sqrt{\frac{3K_B T}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{3K_B N_A T}{m N_A}} = \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{M}}$$

At, $T = 300\text{K},$

for $N_2:$

$$\sqrt{c^2} = \sqrt{\frac{3 \times 8.317 \times 300}{28 \times 10^{-3}}} = 517 \text{ m/s}$$

($m =$ mass of one
molecule)

$M =$ molar
mass)

Next \rightarrow

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for electron: $m = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$.

$$\text{So, } \sqrt{e^2} = \sqrt{\frac{3k_B T}{m_e}} = \sqrt{\frac{3 \times 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 300}{9.11 \times 10^{-31}}} \text{ m/s}$$

$$= 116762 \text{ m/s} \approx 116 \text{ km/s} !$$

or, accelerated by a potential V ;

$$eV = \frac{1}{2} m_e v^2 \Rightarrow v = \sqrt{\frac{2eV}{m_e}} ;$$

Take, $e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ Coulomb}$;

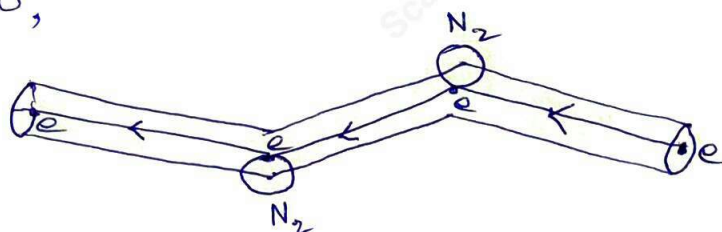
$$\text{with } V = 1; \quad v = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}{9.11 \times 10^{-31}}} \text{ m/s}$$

$$= 592674 \text{ m/s} \approx 593 \text{ km/s} !$$

this is around 1200 times faster than N_2 .

Further, electron radius is negligible compared to N_2 molecule. $[10^{-13} \text{ cm} \ll 10^{-8} \text{ cm}]$

So,



e is like a point-mass compared to N_2 ;

$u = v$ (as N_2 is virtually stationary to e)

Then, radius of 'cylinder of influence' = r
= radius of N_2 ;

$$\text{So, } \lambda = \frac{u \Delta t}{n \pi r^2 u \Delta t} = \frac{1}{n \pi r^2} ; \quad [\text{Pg. 22 notes}]$$

Next \rightarrow

Q3:

$$R = \frac{pV_0}{T} = \frac{76 \times 13.6 \times 981 \times 22.4 \times 10^3}{273} \text{ erg/mole/K}$$

$$= 8.31 \times 10^7 \text{ erg/mole/K} = 8.31 \text{ J/mole/K}$$

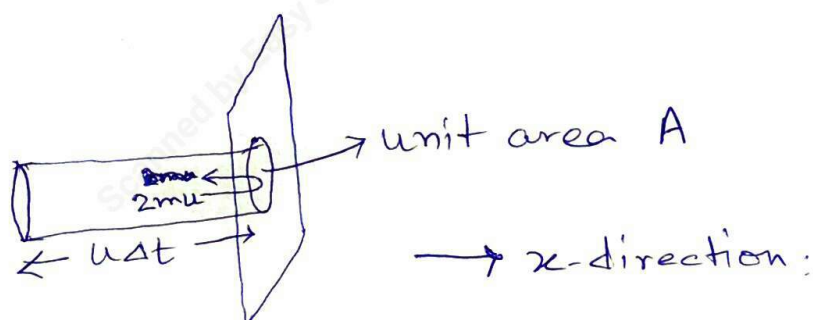
[p is 76 cm of column of mercury;
V₀ is volume of 1 mole of gas
at STP → 22.4 litre]

[Note:

$$pV_0 = RT \Rightarrow pV_0 = N_A K_B T$$

$$\Rightarrow p = n K_B T \Rightarrow pV = N K_B T = \frac{N}{N_A} RT]$$

Q4:



~~Here~~ Velocity $\rightarrow \vec{c} (u, v, w)$;

Momentum change 1 molecule = $2mu$

In Δt time half molecules in cylinder of length $u\Delta t$ will hit area A (other half \rightarrow opposite direction)

So, total change in momentum in Δt (unit area)

$$\frac{n u \Delta t \cdot 1}{2} \times 2mu \rightarrow m \sum n_i u_i^2 \text{ (sets with different velocities)}$$

$$= mn \overline{u^2} \Delta t$$

From symmetry, $\overline{u^2} = \overline{v^2} = \overline{w^2}$

$$\text{Again, } \overline{c^2} = u^2 + v^2 + w^2 \Rightarrow \overline{c^2} = \overline{u^2} + \overline{v^2} + \overline{w^2}$$

$$\text{So, } p = \frac{1}{3} mn \overline{c^2};$$