

- 13 A weather balloon takes scientific equipment high into the atmosphere to monitor atmospheric conditions.

A weather balloon is filled with hydrogen at a temperature of 22.5°C and a pressure of $1.02 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$. The volume of the balloon is 7.50 m^3 .

The balloon rises through the atmosphere to a maximum height. At the maximum height, the temperature of the hydrogen in the balloon is -48.0°C and the pressure of the hydrogen in the balloon is $8.40 \times 10^4 \text{ Pa}$.

- (a) Calculate the volume of the balloon at the maximum height.

(3)

Volume of balloon =

- (b) Calculate the decrease in the mean kinetic energy of a hydrogen molecule in the balloon as the balloon rises to the maximum height.

(2)

Decrease in mean kinetic energy =

(Total for Question 13 = 5 marks)