# Problem 1: Derivation of a 2-dimensional gas that can't escape a surface

a) Derive the maxwell-Boltzmann speed distribution for a 2-dimensional gas

in a one – dimensional plane we know that

$$P(v_x) dx = \left(\frac{m}{2\pi kT}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} * \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} * m * \frac{v_x^2}{kT}\right) dv_x$$

From a cartesian coordinate, we have

$$v^2 = v_x^2 + v_y^2$$

$$P(v_x, v_y) dv_x dv_y = P(v_x)P(v_y) dv_x dv_y = \frac{m}{2\pi kT} * exp\left(-m * \frac{v_x^2 + v_y^2}{2KT}\right) dv_x dv_y$$

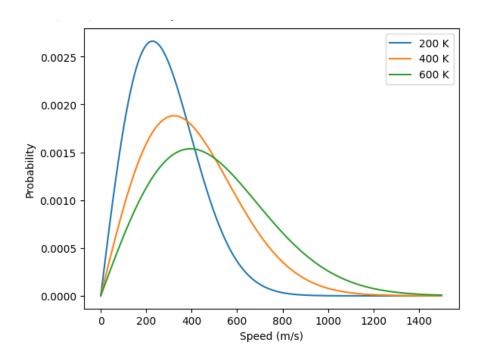
We convert to a polar coordinate, recall  $dv_x dv_y = v \ dv \ d\theta$ 

$$P(v) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{mv}{2 * \pi * k * T} * exp\left(-\frac{mv^2}{2KT}\right) d\theta$$

$$= 2\pi * v * \frac{m}{2 * \pi kT} * exp\left(-\frac{mv^2}{2KT}\right)$$

$$= \frac{mv}{kT} * exp\left(-\frac{mv^2}{2KT}\right)$$

b) Plot this 2-dimensional speed distribution for O2 molecule at 200, 400, and 600 K See code in ipynb



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m = 32*1.6605e-27 # kg k = 1.38e-23 # j/K
k = 1.38e-23 # j/K

## Making a function as defined p(v)
def Probability(v,T):
    return v*m/(T*k)*np.exp(-m*v*v/(2*k*T))

plt.figure()

v = np.linspace(0,1500,1000)
for T in [200,400,600]:
    Prol = Probability(v,T)
    plt.plot(v,Prol,label = '{} K'.format(T))

legend = plt.legend()
plt.xlabel('Speed (m/s)')
plt.ylabel('Probability')
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c) Calculate the mean speed of a 2-dimensional gas of molecules. How does your answer compare to a one and 3-dimensional gas?

From class, we have 
$$\langle v \rangle = \int_0^\infty P(v) * v \, dv$$

we plug into the equation to get  $\langle v_z \rangle$ , which is the mean velocity

$$< v > = \int_0^\infty \frac{v^2 * m}{kT} \exp\left(-\frac{mv^2}{2kT}\right) dv$$

using a u sub

$$u^2 = \frac{mv^2}{2kT}$$

$$2 u du = \frac{mv}{kT} dv$$

$$dv = \frac{kT}{mv} * 2 u * du$$

$$< v > = \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{v^{2}m}{kT} \exp(-u^{2}) \frac{kT}{mv} 2 u du$$

simplifying, it becomes

$$\langle v \rangle = \int_0^\infty 2 * v * u * \exp(-u^2) du$$
  
 $v = u * \left(\frac{2 * k * T}{m}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ 

$$< v > = \left(\frac{2 * k * T}{m}\right)^{1/2} \int_0^\infty 2 u^2 * \exp(-u^2) du$$

$$\int_0^\infty 2 \, u^2 * \exp(-u^2) \, du = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$$

$$\langle v \rangle = \left(\frac{\pi k T}{2 m}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Compared to the square root of the 3-dimensional gas, they are all dependent on the square root of T/m. It's expected to be bigger in 3-dimensions

d) Calculate the mean kinetic energy of the particle

$$\langle v^2 \rangle = \int_0^\infty \frac{v^2 * m}{kT} \exp\left(-\frac{mv^2}{2kT}\right) * v \, dv$$

$$\langle \epsilon \rangle = \langle \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} m \langle v^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} m \int_0^\infty \frac{v^3 * m}{kT} \exp\left(-\frac{mv^2}{2kT}\right) dv$$

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$$u^2 = \frac{mv^2}{2kT}$$

$$2u \, du = \frac{mv}{kT}$$

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$$\langle \epsilon \rangle = m \int_0^\infty v^2 \exp(-u^2) * u * du$$

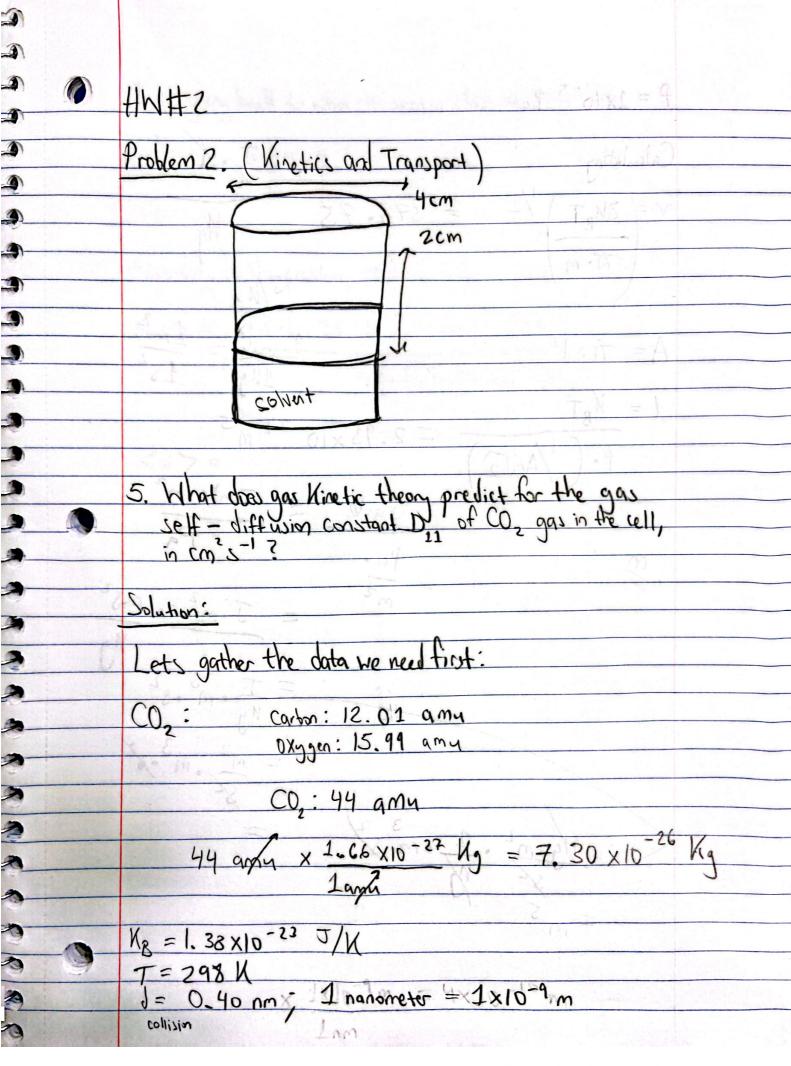
$$\langle \epsilon \rangle = m \int_0^\infty \frac{u^2 2kT}{m} \exp(-u^2) * u * du$$

$$\langle \epsilon \rangle = 2 kT \int_0^\infty u^2 \exp(-u^2) * u * du$$

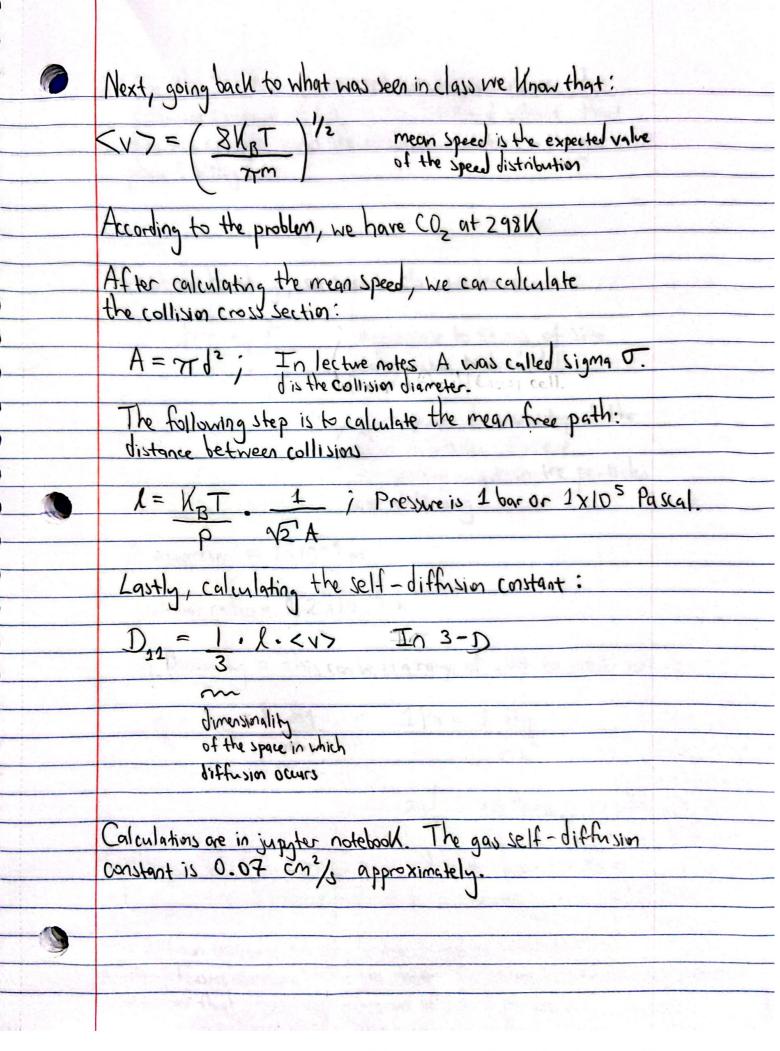
$$\int_0^\infty u^2 \exp(-u^2) * u * du = 1/2$$

$$\langle \epsilon \rangle = 1.0 kT$$

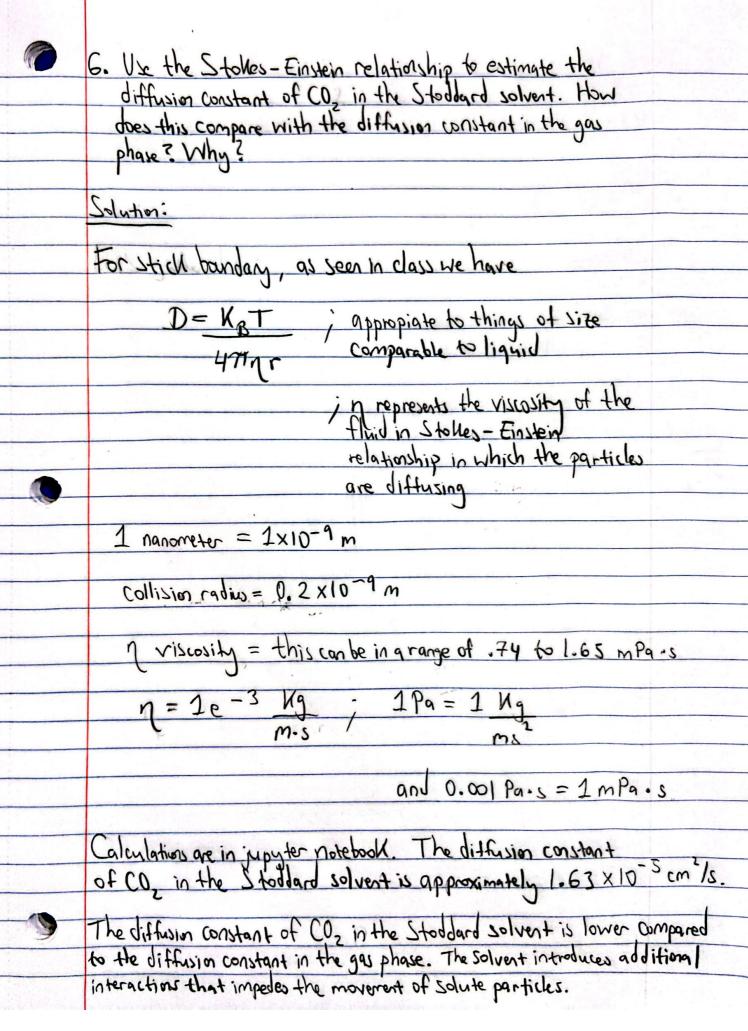
1 dimensional gas, the mean kinetic energy is 0.5 kT, 3D is 1.5 kT; 2 dimensional is 1.0 kT. The mean kinetic energy degree of freedom cost is 0.5 kT



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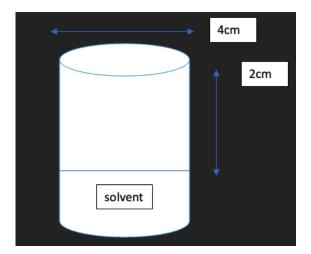


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# **Problem 2. (Kinetics and Transport)**



5. What does gas kinetic theory predict for the gas self-diffusion constant D11 of CO2 gas in the cell, in cm $^2$  s $^{-1}$ ?

### Solution:

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In [72]: import numpy as np
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# Let's gather the data we need first:

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In [85]: m = 44*1.66e-27 #kg/atomic mass unit; 1 atomic mass unit = 1.66e-27 kg
    kB = 1.38e-23 #J/K
    T = 298 #K
    d = 0.4e-9 #collision diameter (m)
    P = 1e5 #Pa
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## Next, calculating the mean speed and plugging in the data we obtain:

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In [86]: v = (8*kB*T/(np.pi*m))**0.5 # mean speed (m/s)
print("The mean speed is {:.2f} m/s".format(v))
The mean speed is 378.65 m/s
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# Third, calculate collision cross section:

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In [87]: A = np.pi*d**2 # collision cross section (m^2)
print(A)
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5.02654824574367e-19

### The following step is to calculate the mean free path:

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In [88]: l = kB*T/p*(1/(2**0.5*A)) # mean free path (m)
print(l)
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5.785095029007004e-08

### Lastly, calculating the self-diffusion constant:

In [89]: D11 = 1/3\*l\*v\*10000 # self-diffusion constant (cm^2/s); Extra factor 10000 to convert to cm^2/s
print("The gas self-diffusion constant is {:.2f} cm^2/s".format(D11))

The gas self-diffusion constant is 0.07 cm^2/s

6. Use the Stokes-Einstein relationship to estimate the diffusion constant of CO2 in the Stoddard solvent. How does this compare with the diffusion constant in the gas phase? Why?

### Solution:

### **Defining constants**

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In [90]: r = 0.2e-9 \# defining collision radius (meters) eta = 1e-3 \# units:kg/(meters * seconds); \# tar represents the viscosity of the fluid in Stokes-Einstein relationship in which the particles are di kB = 1.38e-23 <math>\# J/K T = 298 \# K
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### Then calculating the diffusion constant:

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In [91]: D_stoddard = kB*T/(4*np.pi*eta*r)*10000 # slip boundary (cm^2/s); Extra factor 10000 to convert to cm^2/sprint ('The diffusion constant of CO2 in the Stoddard solvent is {:.5E} cm^2/s.'.format(D_stoddard))
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The diffusion constant of CO2 in the Stoddard solvent is 1.63627E-05 cm^2/s.

The diffusion constant of CO2 in the Stoddard solvent is lower compared to the diffusion constant in the gas phase. There is a solvent in this case compared to the one before. The solvent introduces additional interactions that impedes the movement of solute particles.