

Chem 30324, Spring 2024, Homework 10

✓ Due April 26, 2024

✓ Thermodynamics from scratch.

Let's calculate the thermodynamic properties of an ideal gas of CO molecules at 1 bar pressure. CO has a rotational constant $B = 1.931\text{cm}^{-1}$ and vibrational frequency $\nu = 2156.6\text{cm}^{-1}$. Suppose you have a 20 dm^3 cubic bottle containing 1 mole of CO gas that you can consider to behave ideally.

1. The characteristic temperature Θ of a particular degree of freedom is the characteristic quantum of energy for the degree of freedom divided by k_B .
- ✓ Calculate the characteristic translational, rotational, and vibrational temperatures of CO.

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

#constants
h = 6.62607015e-34 # Planck's constant (J·s)
hbar = h / (2 * np.pi) # Reduced Planck's constant (J·s)
m_CO = 28.01*1.6605e-27 # Mass of CO molecule (kg/molecule)
kB = 1.380649e-23 # Boltzmann's constant (J/K)
L = 0.271 # Length of the cubic box (m)
R= 8.314
# Calculate characteristic translational temperature
Theta_trans = (np.pi**2 * hbar**2) / (2 * m_CO * kB * L**2)

print("Characteristic translational temperature:", Theta_trans, "K")
```

Characteristic translational temperature: 1.1637192508056607e-18 K

```
# Given constants
h = 6.62607015e-34 # Planck's constant (J·s)
c = 2.99792458e8 # Speed of light (m/s)
B_CO = 1.931 # Rotational constant of CO (cm-1)
kB = 1.380649e-23 # Boltzmann's constant (J/K)

# Convert rotational constant from cm-1 to Hz
B_CO_Hz = B_CO * 100 * c # 1 cm-1 = 100 Hz * c

# Calculate characteristic rotational temperature
Theta_rot = (h * B_CO_Hz) / kB

print("Characteristic rotational temperature:", Theta_rot, "K")

Characteristic rotational temperature: 2.7782781504600957 K
```

```
# Given constants
h = 6.62607015e-34 # Planck's constant (J·s)
nu_CO = 2156.6 # Vibrational frequency of CO (cm-1)
kB = 1.380649e-23 # Boltzmann's constant (J/K)

# Convert vibrational frequency from cm-1 to Hz
nu_CO_Hz = nu_CO * 100 * c # 1 cm-1 = 100 Hz * c

# Calculate characteristic vibrational temperature
Theta_vib = (h * nu_CO_Hz) / kB

print("Characteristic vibrational temperature:", Theta_vib, "K")

Characteristic vibrational temperature: 3102.8662140249835 K
```

2. Plot the *translational*, *rotational* and *vibrational* partition functions of a CO molecule in the bottle from $T = 200$ to 2000 K (assume the CO remains a gas over the whole range). *Hint:* Use your answer to Problem 1 to simplify calculating the rotational partition function.

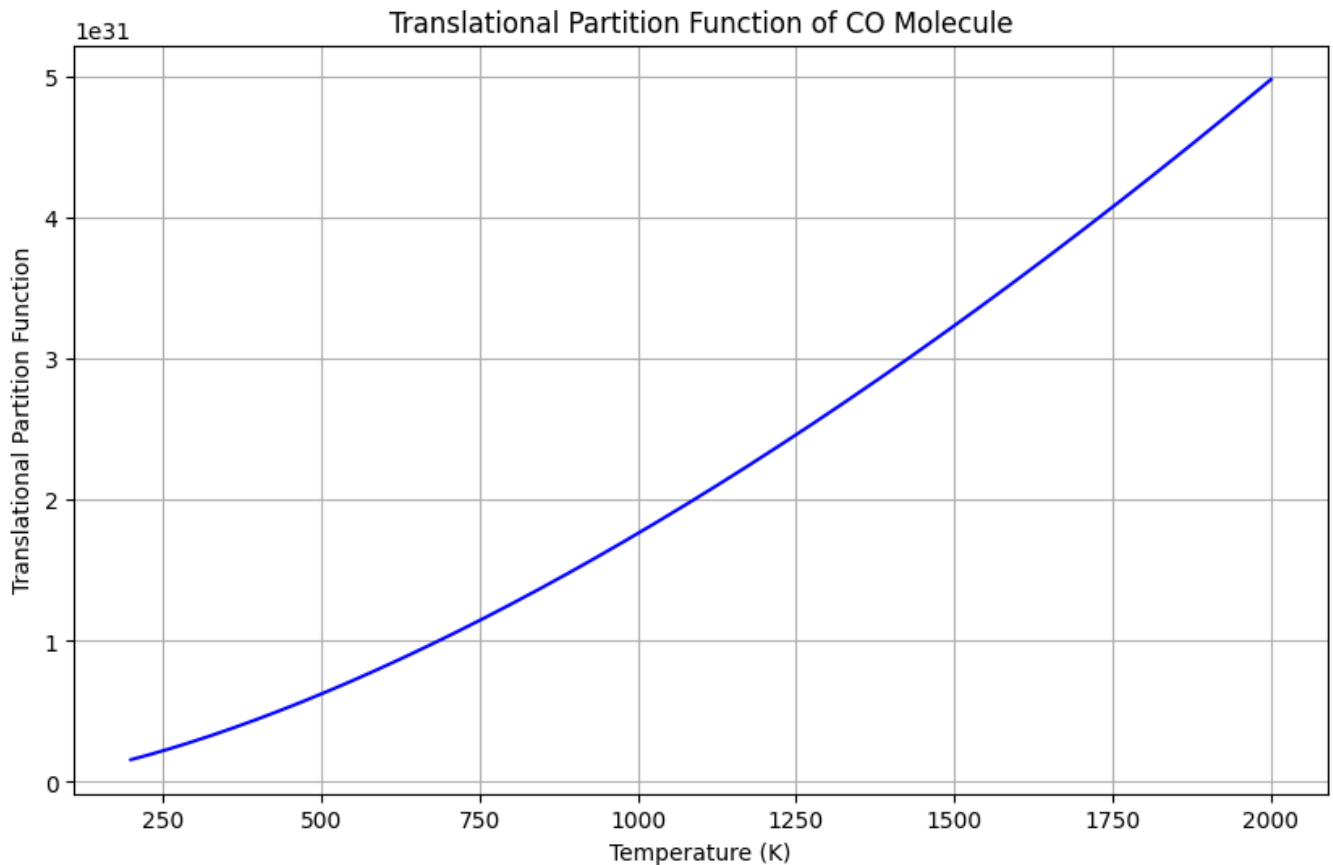
```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Given constants
V = 0.02 # Volume of the container (m^3)
h = 6.62607015e-34 # Planck's constant (J·s)
kB = 1.380649e-23 # Boltzmann's constant (J/K)
T_range = np.linspace(200, 2000, 1000) # Temperature range from 200 K to 2000 K

# Characteristic temperatures (from Problem 1)
Theta_trans = 1100.2 # Translational temperature (K)

# Translational partition function
q_trans = ((2 * np.pi * m_CO * kB * T_range) / (h**2))**(3/2) * V

# Plotting
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.plot(T_range, q_trans, color='blue')
plt.xlabel('Temperature (K)')
plt.ylabel('Translational Partition Function')
plt.title('Translational Partition Function of CO Molecule')
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
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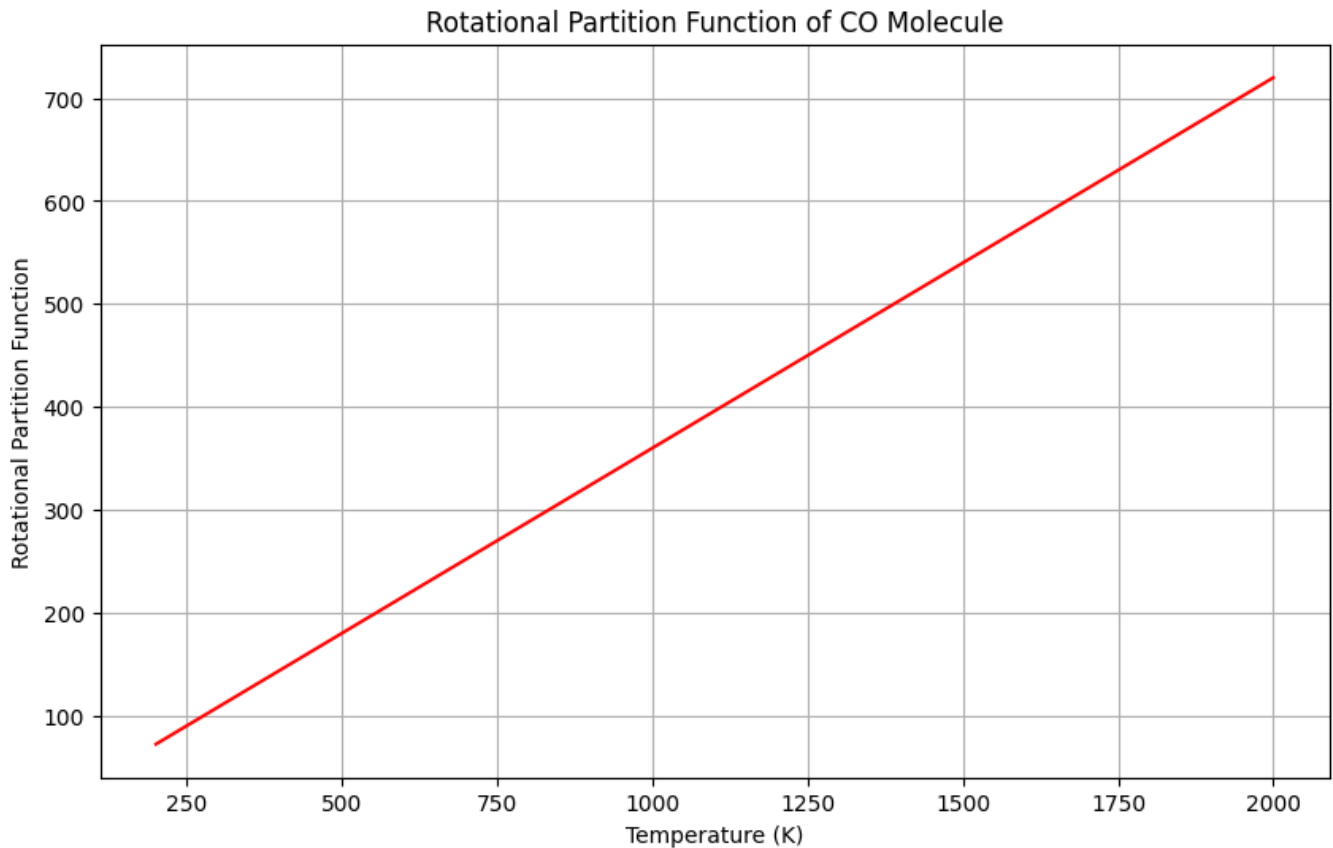


```
# Given constants
kB = 1.380649e-23 # Boltzmann's constant (J/K)
T_range = np.linspace(200, 2000, 1000) # Temperature range from 200 K to 2000 K

# Characteristic temperature (from Problem 1)

# Rotational partition function
q_rot = T_range / Theta_rot

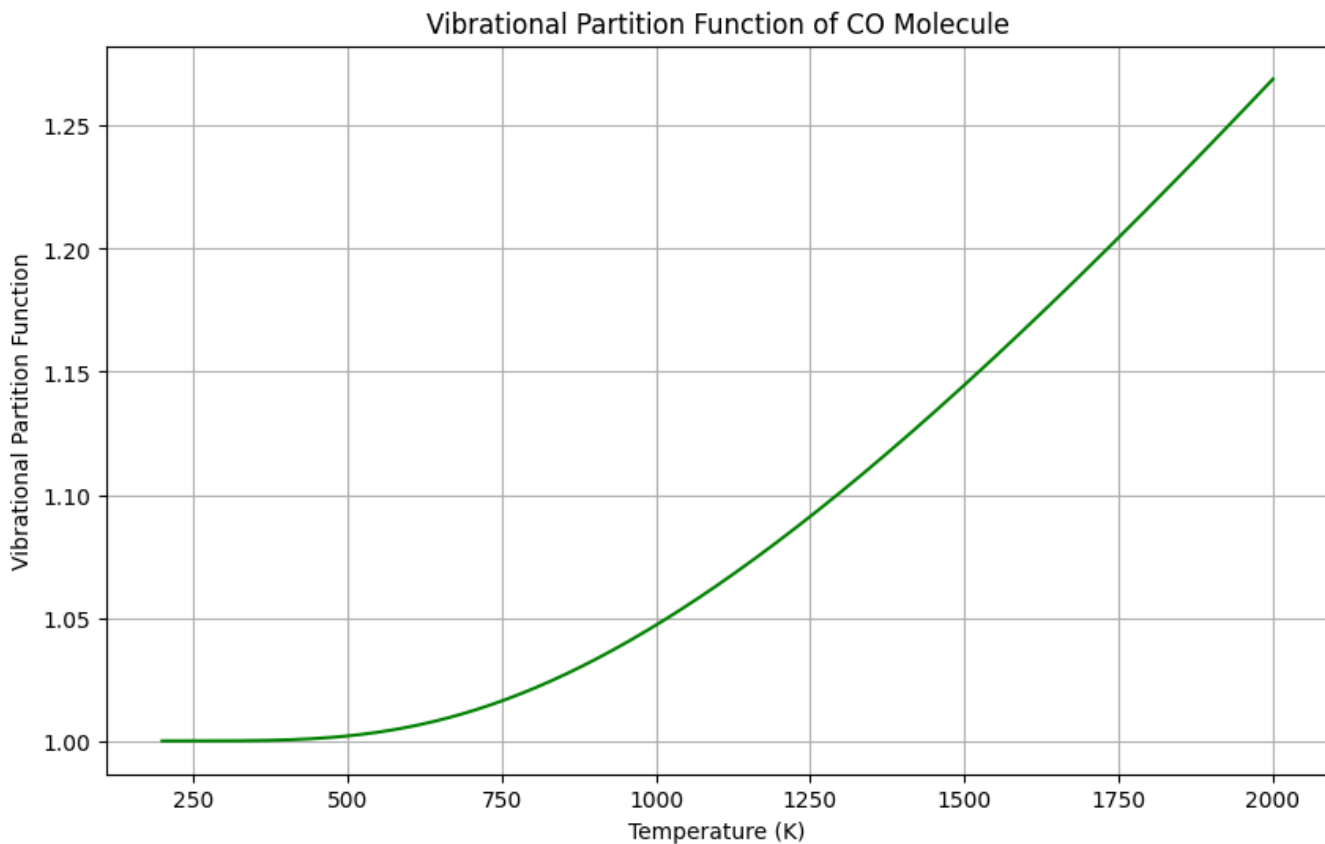
# Plotting
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.plot(T_range, q_rot, color='red')
plt.xlabel('Temperature (K)')
plt.ylabel('Rotational Partition Function')
plt.title('Rotational Partition Function of CO Molecule')
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```



```
# Given constants
kB = 1.380649e-23 # Boltzmann's constant (J/K)
T_range = np.linspace(200, 2000, 1000) # Temperature range from 200 K to 2000 K

# Vibrational partition function
q_vib = 1 / (1 - np.exp(-Theta_vib / T_range))

# Plotting
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.plot(T_range, q_vib, color='green')
plt.xlabel('Temperature (K)')
plt.ylabel('Vibrational Partition Function')
plt.title('Vibrational Partition Function of CO Molecule')
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```



3. Plot the *total translational, rotational, and vibrational energies* of CO in the bottle from $T = 200$ to 2000 K (assume the CO remains a gas over the whole range). Which (if any) of the three types of motions dominate the total energy?

From class outline, $U_{trans} = \frac{3}{2}RT$, $U_{rot} = RT$, and $U_{vib} = R \frac{\theta_{vib}}{e^{\theta_{vib}/T} - 1}$ where $\theta_{vib} = hc\nu/k_B$

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

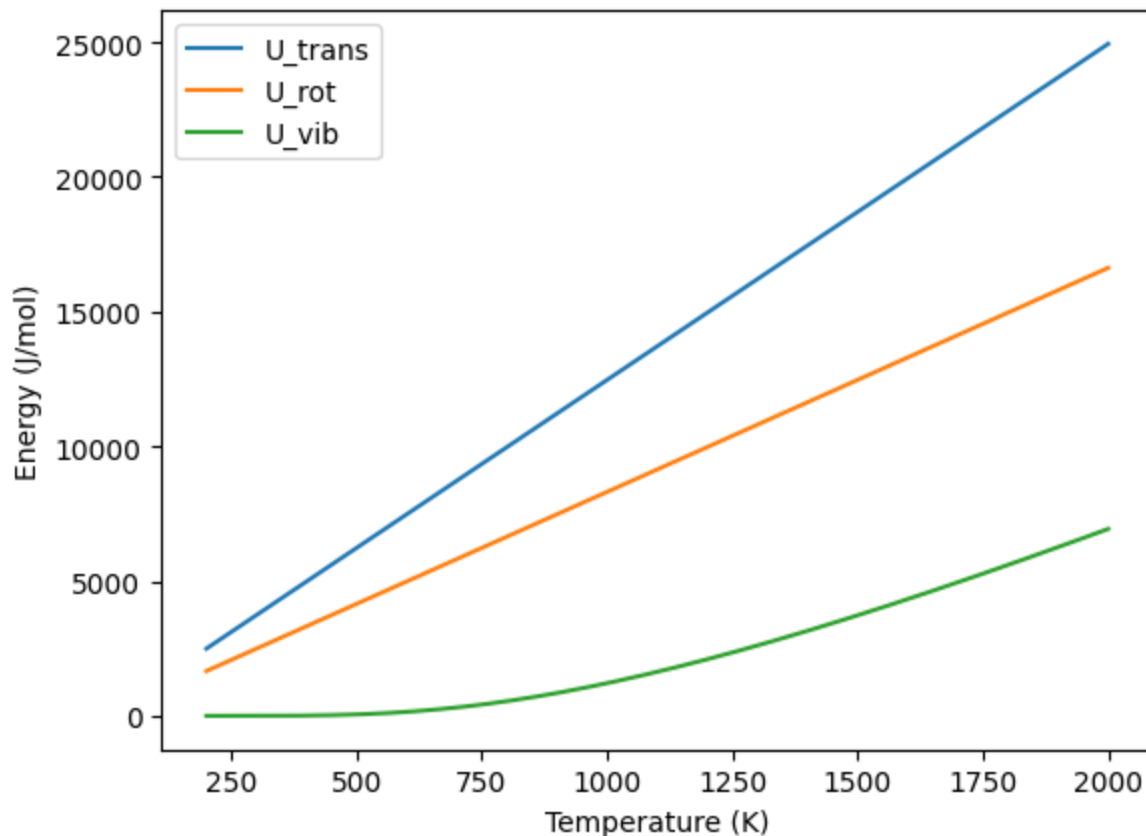
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U_trans = 1.5*R*T_range
U_rot = R*T_range
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U_vib = (R*Theta_vib)/(np.exp(Theta_vib/T_range)-1)
```

```
plt.plot(T_range,U_trans,label="U_trans")
plt.plot(T_range,U_rot,label="U_rot")
plt.plot(T_range,U_vib,label="U_vib")
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plt.xlabel('Temperature (K)')
plt.ylabel('Energy (J/mol)')
plt.legend(loc="upper left")
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4. Plot the *total translational, rotational, and vibrational constant volume molar heat capacities* of CO in the bottle from $T = 200$ to 2000 K. Which (if any) of the three types of motions dominate the heat capacity?

#4. Plot the constant volume Heat capacity for rotational, translational, and vibrational

```
import numpy as np
```

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
# Given constants
```

```
kB = 1.380649e-23 # Boltzmann's constant (J/K)
```

```
T_range = np.linspace(200, 2000, 1000) # Temperature range from 200 K to 2000 K
```

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# Cv translational
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cv_rot = np.full_like(T_range, R)
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cv_tran = np.full_like(T_range, 3/2 * R)
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cv_vib = R*(Theta_vib/T_range*np.exp(Theta_vib/(2*T_range)))/(np.exp(Theta_vib/T_range) + 1)
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```
# Plotting
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```
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
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plt.plot(T_range, cv_rot)
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plt.plot(T_range, cv_tran)
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plt.plot(T_range, cv_vib, color='green')
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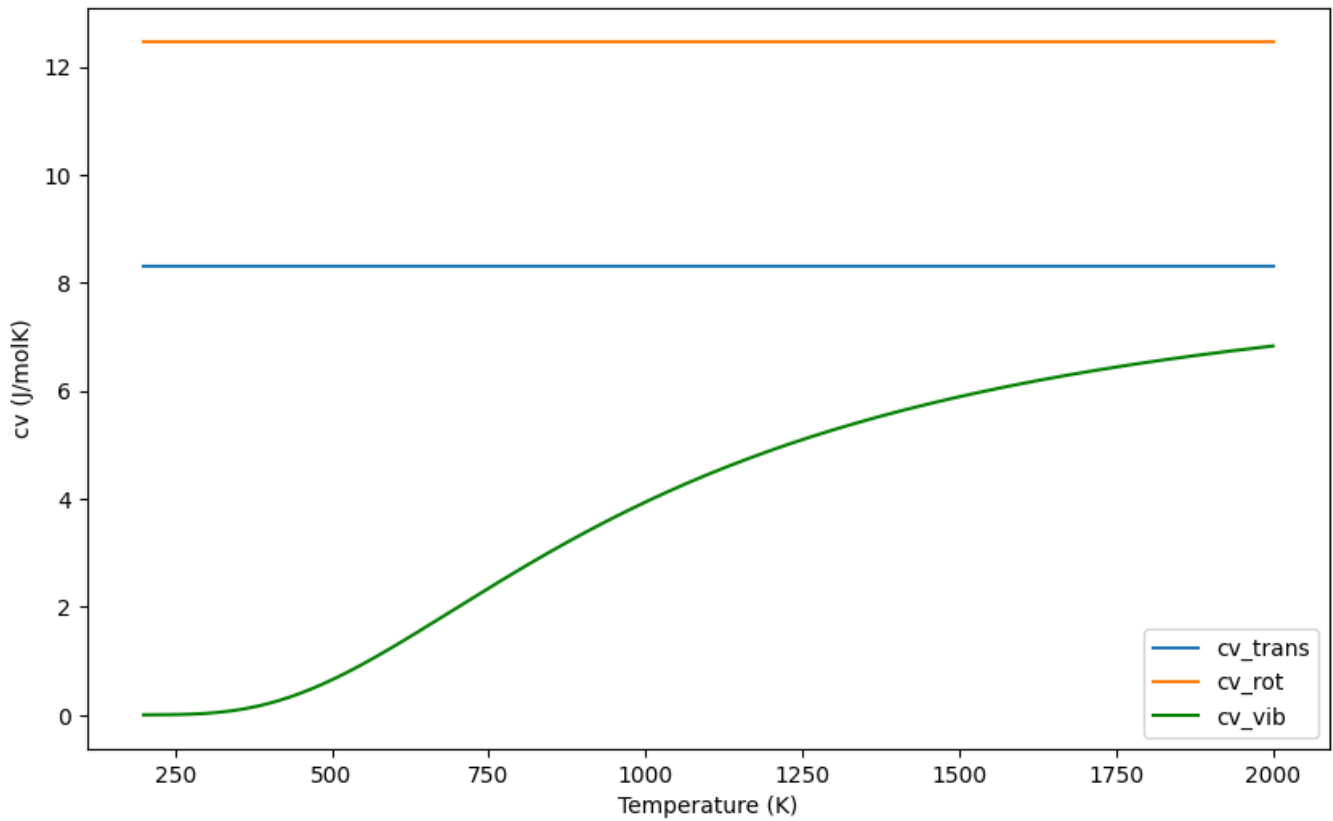
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plt.xlabel('Temperature (K)')
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plt.ylabel('cv (J/molK)')
```

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plt.legend(['cv_trans', 'cv_rot', 'cv_vib'])
```

```
plt.show()
```

##It looks like translational entropy is the one that is dominating



5. Plot the *total translational, rotational, and vibrational Helmholtz energies* of CO in the bottle from $T = 200$ to 2000 K. Which (if any) of the three types of motions dominate the Helmholtz energy?

#5. Plot the hemholtz free energy

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##A = U - TS
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NA = 6.022e23# molecules/mol
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Lambda = h*(1/(kB*298*2*np.pi*m_C0))*0.5
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##Calculating S
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S_tran = R*np.log(np.exp(2.5)*V/NA/Lambda**3)
```

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S_rot = R*(1-np.log(Theta_rot/T_range))
```

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S_vib = R*((Theta_vib/T_range)/(np.exp(Theta_vib/T_range)-1) - np.log(1-np.exp(-Thet
```

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A_tran = U_trans - T_range*S_tran
```

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A_rot = U_rot - T_range*S_rot
```

```
A_vib = U_vib - T_range*S_vib
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
```

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plt.plot(T_range,A_tran, color='red')
```

```
plt.plot(T_range,A_rot, color='blue')
```

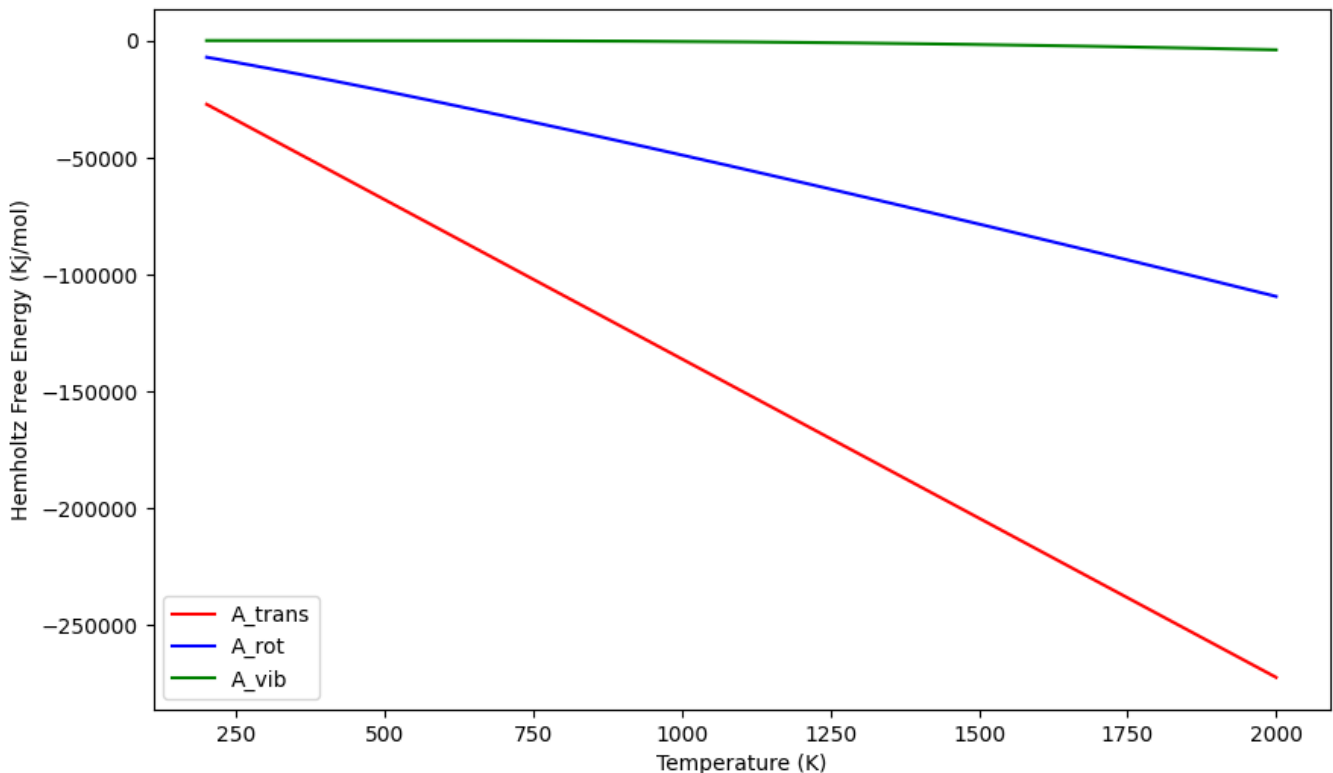
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plt.plot(T_range, A_vib, color='green')
```

```
plt.xlabel('Temperature (K)')
```

```
plt.ylabel('Hemholtz Free Energy (Kj/mol)')
```

```
plt.legend(['A_trans','A_rot','A_vib'])
```

```
plt.show()
```



- ✓ 6. Use your formulas to calculate ΔP , ΔU , ΔA , and ΔS associated with isothermally expanding the gas from 20 dm^3 to 40 dm^3 .

ΔU doesn't change because it's independent of volume

$$\Delta P = P_1 \times \frac{V_1}{V_2}$$

$$\Delta S = R \ln\left(\frac{V_2}{V_1}\right) = 8.31 \times \ln\left(\frac{40}{20}\right) = 5.76 \text{ J/molK}$$

$$\Delta A = \Delta U - T \Delta S = T \Delta S$$

$$V_2 = 0.04 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\Delta P = R \cdot 298 \cdot (1/V_2 - 1/V_1)$$

$$\Delta S = R \cdot \ln\left(\frac{V_2}{V_1}\right) = 8.31 \cdot \ln\left(\frac{40}{20}\right) = 5.76 \text{ J/molK}$$

$$\Delta A = -\Delta S \cdot 298$$

$$\Delta U = 0$$

$$\Delta P = -61939.300 \text{ Pa}, \Delta U = 0, \Delta A = -1717.322 \text{ J/mol}, \text{ and } \Delta S = 5.76 \text{ J/molK}$$

✓ Reactions from scratch

In 1996, Schneider and co-workers used quantum chemistry to compute the reaction pathway for unimolecular decomposition of trifluoromethanol, a reaction of relevance to the atmospheric degradation of hydrofluorocarbon refrigerants (*J. Phys. Chem.* **1996**, *100*, 6097- 6103, [doi:10.1021/jp952703m](https://doi.org/10.1021/jp952703m)):



Following are some of the reported results, computed at 298 K:

	CF_3OH	C(O)F_2	HF	
E^{elec}	-412.90047	-312.57028	-100.31885	(Hartree)
ZPE	0.02889	0.01422	0.00925	(Hartree)
U^{trans}	3.7	3.7	3.7	(kJ mol ⁻¹)
U^{rot}	3.7	3.7	2.5	(kJ mol ⁻¹)
U^{vib}	4.3	1.2	0	(kJ mol ⁻¹)
q^{trans}	7.72	1.59	8.65	
$/V$	$\times 10^{32}$	$\times 10^{32}$	$\times 10^{31}$	(m ⁻³)

	CF ₃ OH	C(O)F ₂	HF
q^{rot}	61830	679	9.59
q^{vib}	2.33	1.16	1

8. Using the data provided, determine ΔU° (298 K), in kJ mol^{-1} , assuming
 ✓ ideal behavior and 1 M standard state. Recall that $U(T)$ is the sum of the contributions of all degrees of freedom.

$$\Delta U^\circ = U_{\text{products}} - U_{\text{reactants}}$$

$$\Delta U_{\text{trans}} = (3.7 + 3.7) - 3.7 = 3.7 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$\Delta U_{\text{rot}} = (3.7 + 2.5) - 3.7 = 2.5 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$\Delta U_{\text{vib}} = (0 + 1.2) - 4.3 = -3.1 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$1 \text{ Hartree} = 2625.5 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$\Delta E^{\text{elec}} = ((-100.31885 + -312.57028) + 412.90047) * 2625.5 = 29.77317 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$\Delta ZPE = ((0.00925 + 0.01422) - 0.02889) * 2625.5 = -14.23021 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$\Delta U^\circ = U_{\text{trans}} + U_{\text{rot}} + U_{\text{vib}} + E_{\text{elec}} + ZPE$$

$$= 3.7 + 2.5 - 3.1 + 29.77317 - 14.23021$$

$$\Delta U^\circ = 18.643 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

9. Using the data provided, determine ΔA° (298 K) in kJ mol^{-1} , assuming
 ✓ ideal behavior and 1 M standard state. Recall that
 $A^\circ = E^{\text{elec}} + ZPE - RT \ln(q^\circ) - RT$, where $q^\circ = ((q^{\text{trans}}/V)q^{\text{rot}}q^{\text{vib}})/c^\circ$
 and $c^\circ = 6.022 \times 10^{26} \text{ m}^{-3}$ for a 1 M standard state.

$$q^\circ = ((q^{\text{trans}}/V)q^{\text{rot}}q^{\text{vib}})/c^\circ$$

$$A^\circ = E^{\text{elec}} + ZPE - RT \ln(q^\circ) - RT$$

```

dE0 = 15.54# delta E_elec plus delta ZPE
T = 298
R = 8.31447# J/mol*K
C = 6.0221e26# converts q values to 1/m^3
q_trans = [7.72e32/C,1.59e32/C,8.65e31/C] # change translational partition functions

q_rot = [61830,679,9.59] # unitless
q_vib = [2.33,1.16,1] # unitless
Q = (q_trans[1]*q_rot[1]*q_vib[1])*(q_trans[2]*q_rot[2]*q_vib[2])/(q_trans[0]*q_rot[
dA = dE0 + (-R*T*np.log(Q)- R*T)/1000 #kJ/mol
print("Q = %.2f"%Q)
print("delta_E0 = %.2f"%dE0)
print("delta_A = %.2f kJ/mol"%dA)

Q = 1551.10
delta_E0 = 15.54
delta_A = -5.14 kJ/mol

```

- ✓ 10. Determine ΔG° (298 K). Recall that $G = A + PV = A + RT$ for an ideal gas.

```

G = dA + R*T/1000
print(G, 'kJ/mol')

-2.6630522703262525 kJ/mol

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- ✓ 11. Determine ΔS° (298 K), in $\text{J mol}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$, assuming a 1 M standard state. Recall that $S = (U - A)/T$.

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U = 18.643

S = (U-dA)/T
print(S*1000, 'J/mol*K')

79.81128969908139 J/mol*K

```

- ✓ 12. Using the data provided, determine K_c (298 K), assuming a 1 M standard state. You may either determine from partition functions or from the relationship between K_c and ΔG° .

$$K_c = e^{\frac{-\Delta G}{RT}}$$

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K = np.exp(-G*1000/(R*T))
print(K, 'unitless')
```

2.929415648408218 unitless

13. 1 mole of CF_3OH is generated in a 20 L vessel at 298 K and left long enough to come to equilibrium with respect to its decomposition reaction.
- What is the composition of the gas (concentrations of all the components) at equilibrium (in mol/L)?

1 mol/20 L = 0.05 mol/ 1L

Reaction	CF_3OH (mol/L)	COF_2 (mol/L)	HF (mol/L)
I	0.05	0	0
C	-x	x	x
E	0.05-x	x	x

$$K_c = \frac{x^2}{0.05-x}, \text{ solve for } x.$$

```
from sympy import *
x = symbols('x', positive=True)
c = solve(x**2-(0.05-x)*K, x)
print('At equilibrium, CF3OH = {0:.2E} mol/L, COF2 = {1:.4f} mol/L, HF = {2:.4f} mol
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At equilibrium, $\text{CF}_3\text{OH} = 8.25\text{E-}4$ mol/L, $\text{COF}_2 = 0.0492$ mol/L, $\text{HF} = 0.0492$ mol/L.

14. How, directionally, would your answer to Question 13 change if the vessel was at a higher temperature? Use the van'T Hoff relationship to determine the equilibrium constant and equilibrium concentrations at 273 and 323 K. How good was your guess?

At a higher temperature, the equilibrium would shift further towards the products.

$$\ln K(T_2) - \ln K(T_1) = -\frac{\Delta H^\circ}{R} \left(\frac{1}{T_2} - \frac{1}{T_1} \right)$$