

- 2 (a) An ideal gas is said to consist of molecules that are hard elastic identical spheres.

State two further assumptions of the kinetic theory of gases.

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- (b) The number of molecules per unit volume in an ideal gas is n .

If it is assumed that all the molecules are moving with speed v , the pressure p exerted by the gas on the walls of the vessel is given by

$$p = \frac{1}{3}nmv^2$$

where m is the mass of one molecule.

Explain the reasoning by which this expression is modified to give the formula

$$p = \frac{1}{3}nm\langle c^2 \rangle.$$

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- (c) The density of an ideal gas is 1.2kg m^{-3} at a pressure of $1.0 \times 10^5\text{Pa}$ and a temperature of 27°C .

- (i) Calculate the root-mean-square (r.m.s.) speed of the molecules of the gas at 27°C .

r.m.s. speed = ms^{-1} [3]

- (ii) Calculate the mean-square speed of the molecules at 207 °C.

mean-square speed = m^2s^{-2} [2]