

- 3 (a) (i)** With reference to the first law of thermodynamics, explain why there is considerable difference in magnitude between the specific latent heats of fusion and vaporisation for the same material.

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- (ii)** Ethanol has a melting point of $-120\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ and a boiling point of $78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. The specific latent heat of fusion is 110 J g^{-1} and specific latent heat of vaporisation is 840 J g^{-1} . The density and specific heat capacity of liquid ethanol are 0.79 g cm^{-3} and $2.4\text{ J g}^{-1}\text{ K}^{-1}$ respectively.

Calculate the minimum thermal energy required to fully vapourise 2.0 cm^3 of ethanol that is initially at $30\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.

required thermal energy = J [4]

- (b) Some gas, assumed to behave ideally, is contained within a cylinder which is surrounded by insulation to prevent loss of heat, as shown in Fig. 3.1.

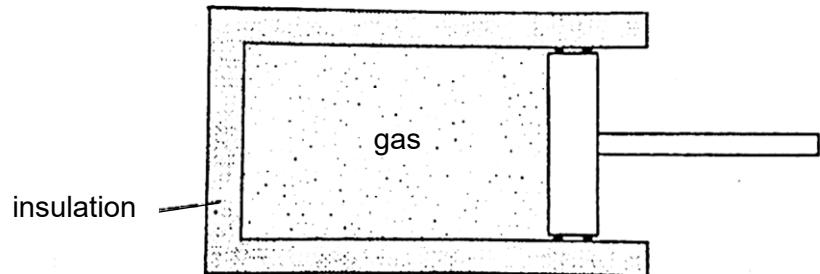


Fig. 3.1

Initially, the volume of gas is $2.9 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3$, its pressure is $2.6 \times 10^6 \text{ Pa}$ and its temperature is 790 K.

- (i) The gas expands to a volume of $2.9 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3$ and its temperature decreases to 314 K. Calculate the pressure of the gas after this expansion.

pressure of gas after expansion = Pa [2]

- (ii) The work done by the gas during the expansion is 91 J. Determine the change in the internal energy of the gas during the expansion.

change in internal energy = J [1]

- (iii) Explain the meaning of internal energy, and use your result in (b)(ii) to explain why a decrease in the temperature of the gas takes place during the expansion.

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