

- 1 (a) Fig. 1.1 shows an insulated cylinder fitted with a perfectly fitting piston and a heater. There is negligible friction between the cylinder and the piston. The cylinder contains a fixed mass of ideal neon gas.

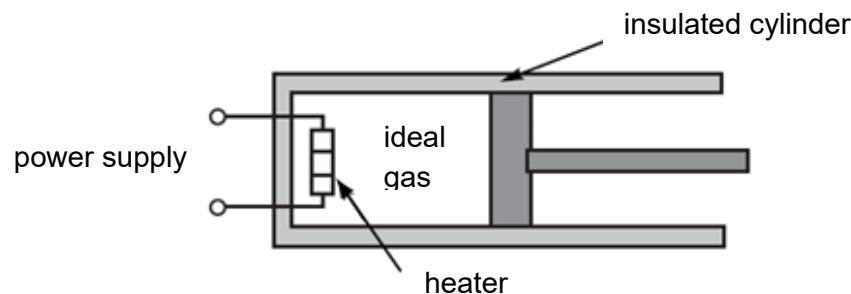


Fig. 1.1

The following two experiments are performed.

Experiment 1 The heater provides 150 J of energy with the piston fixed in position. The temperature rise of the gas is found to be 29 K.

Experiment 2 The heater supplies 150 J of energy with the piston free to move so that the gas expands at constant pressure. The temperature rise of the gas is now 18 K.

- (i) Explain why the temperature rise is different in the two experiments.

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- (ii) Complete Fig. 1.2 to show the values of each of the quantities for experiments 1 and 2. You may present your working using the space provided below.

	thermal energy supplied to gas/J	work done on gas /J	increase in internal energy of gas/J
Experiment 1			
Experiment 2			

Fig. 1.2

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- (b) Some argon gas is now introduced into the cylinder and the gas mixture is heated to a temperature of 100°C. The gases are assumed to be ideal.

- (i) Calculate the average kinetic energy of each gas molecule.

$$\text{average kinetic energy} = \dots \text{ J} \quad [2]$$

- (ii) The mass of a neon atom is 3.35×10^{-26} kg.

Calculate the root-mean-square speed of argon atom, given that an argon atom is 1.8 times more massive than a neon atom.

root-mean-square speed = m s⁻¹ [2]

