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Problem Set 8
Physics 202
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1. 1 mol of gold weighs 197 g, so 1 gram of gold is $1/197 = 0.00508$ mol. The the total number of gold atoms we need to produce is

$$0.00508 \text{ mol} \cdot 6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1} = 3.057 \times 10^{21}$$

Then

$$\frac{3.057 \times 10^{21}}{20000 \text{ s}^{-1}} = 1.53 \times 10^{17} \text{ s} = 4.85 \text{ Gyr}$$

At this rate, it would take about a third of the age of the universe to create a single gram of gold.

2. Let the volume of the right chamber be 1, and let $R = 1$. Then the pressure in the right chamber is

$$P_R = \frac{nRT}{V} = 290$$

The chamber on the right is about 5 times larger, so $V \approx 5$. Then

$$P_L = \frac{nRT}{V} = \frac{350}{5} = 70$$

The piston will move right when released, because the pressure in the right chamber is far higher.

3. Let $a = nRT$. Then $0.3 \text{ m}^3(200 \text{ bar}) = a = V(1 \text{ bar}) \implies V = 60 \text{ m}^3$. Then the number of balloons that can be filled is $60 \text{ m}^3 / 0.01 \text{ m}^3 = 6000$.

4. The heat needed to bring the tea down from 100°C to 65°C is

$$Q = cmT = (1 \text{ cal/g}^\circ\text{C})(200 \text{ g})(-35^\circ\text{C}) = -7000 \text{ cal}$$

Because the ice will melt after being put into the glass, the enthalpy of fusion must also be considered. Therefore, the energy required to bring 1 gram of ice to 65°C is

$$Q = 0.5 * 15^\circ\text{C} + 79.72 + 1 * 65^\circ\text{C} = 152.2 \text{ cal/g}$$

Then

$$\frac{7000 \text{ cal}}{152.2 \text{ cal/g}} = 45.98 \text{ g}$$

so about 46 grams of ice are needed to bring the tea to a comfortable temperature (it'll be very watered down, though.)