

**Exemplar Solutions for Class 11 Physics Chapter 12 – Kinetic Theory****Very Short Answers**

**14. Calculate the number of atoms in 39.4 g gold. Molar mass of gold is 197 g/mol.**

**Answer:** Number of moles =  $39.4 \text{ g} \div 197 \text{ g/mol} = 0.2 \text{ mol}$  Number of atoms =  $0.2 \times 6.023 \times 10^{23} = 1.20 \times 10^{23}$  atoms

**15. The volume of a given mass of a gas at 27°C, 1 atm is 100 cc. What will be its volume at 327°C?**

**Answer:**  $T_1 = 27^\circ\text{C} = 300 \text{ K}$ ,  $V_1 = 100 \text{ cm}^3$   $T_2 = 327^\circ\text{C} = 600 \text{ K}$  Using Charles's law:  $V_1/T_1 = V_2/T_2$   
 $V_2 = V_1 \times (T_2/T_1) = 100 \times (600/300) = 200 \text{ cm}^3$

**16. The molecules of a given mass of a gas have root mean square speeds of 100 m/s at 27°C and 1.00 atmospheric pressure. What will be the root mean square speeds of the molecules of the gas at 127°C and 2.0 atmospheric pressure?**

**Answer:**  $T_1 = 300 \text{ K}$ ,  $T_2 = 400 \text{ K}$   $v_{\text{rms}} \propto \sqrt{T}$  (pressure doesn't affect rms speed)  $v_{\text{rms}2} = v_{\text{rms}1} \times \sqrt{(T_2/T_1)} = 100 \times \sqrt{(400/300)} = 100 \times \sqrt{(4/3)} = 115.4 \text{ m/s}$

**17. Two molecules of a gas have speeds of  $9 \times 10^6 \text{ m/s}$  and  $1 \times 10^6 \text{ m/s}$  respectively. What is the root mean square speed of these molecules?**

**Answer:**  $v_{\text{rms}} = \sqrt{[(v_1^2 + v_2^2)/2]} = \sqrt{[(81 \times 10^{12} + 1 \times 10^{12})/2]} = \sqrt{[41 \times 10^{12}]} = 6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m/s}$

**18. A gas mixture consists of 2.0 moles of oxygen and 4.0 moles of neon at temperature T. Neglecting all vibrational modes, calculate the total internal energy of the system. (Oxygen has two rotational modes.)**

**Answer:**  $\text{O}_2$  (diatomic): degrees of freedom = 5, Internal energy =  $(5/2)nRT = (5/2) \times 2 \times RT = 5RT$   
 $\text{Ne}$  (monatomic): degrees of freedom = 3, Internal energy =  $(3/2)nRT = (3/2) \times 4 \times RT = 6RT$   
 Total internal energy =  $5RT + 6RT = 11RT$

**Short Answers**

**19. Calculate the ratio of the mean free paths of the molecules of two gases having molecular diameters  $1 \text{ \AA}$  and  $2 \text{ \AA}$ . The gases may be considered under identical conditions of temperature, pressure, and volume.**

**Answer:** Mean free path  $\lambda \propto 1/\sigma \propto 1/d^2$   $\lambda_1/\lambda_2 = (d_2/d_1)^2 = (2/1)^2 = 4:1$

**20. The container shown in figure has two chambers, separated by a partition, of volumes  $V_1 = 2.0 \text{ litre}$  and  $V_2 = 3.0 \text{ litre}$ . The chambers contain  $\mu_1 = 4.0$  and  $\mu_2 = 5.0$  moles of a gas at pressure  $p_1 = 1.00 \text{ atm}$  and  $p_2 = 2.00 \text{ atm}$ . Calculate the pressure after the partition is removed and the mixture attains equilibrium.**

**Answer:** Initial state:  $P_1V_1 = \mu_1RT$  and  $P_2V_2 = \mu_2RT$  Total moles =  $\mu_1 + \mu_2 = 4 + 5 = 9$  mol Total volume =  $V_1 + V_2 = 2 + 3 = 5$  L From  $P_1V_1 + P_2V_2 = P_{\text{final}}(V_1 + V_2)$ :  $P_{\text{final}} = (1 \times 2 + 2 \times 3)/(5) = 8/5 = 1.6$  atm

**21. A gas mixture consists of molecules of types A, B, and C with masses  $m_A > m_B > m_C$ . Rank the three types of molecules in decreasing order of a) average KE b) rms speeds**

**Answer:** a) Average KE: At same temperature, average KE is same for all:  $KE_C = KE_B = KE_A$   
b) RMS speeds:  $v_{\text{rms}} \propto 1/\sqrt{m}$ , so  $(v_{\text{rms}})_C > (v_{\text{rms}})_B > (v_{\text{rms}})_A$

**22. We have 0.5 g of hydrogen gas in a cubic chamber of size 3 cm kept at NTP. The gas in the chamber is compressed keeping the temperature constant till a final pressure of 100 atm. Is one justified in assuming the ideal gas law in the final state?**

**Answer:** Volume of  $H_2$  molecule  $\approx 4\pi r^3/3 \approx 4.20 \times 10^{-30} \text{ m}^3$  Number of moles =  $0.5/2 = 0.25$  mol Total molecular volume =  $0.25 \times 6.023 \times 10^{23} \times 4.20 \times 10^{-30} \approx 6.3 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^3$  Available volume at 100 atm  $\approx (3 \times 10^{-2})^3 \times (1/100) = 2.7 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^3$  Since molecular volume is comparable to available volume, ideal gas assumption is not justified.

**23. When air is pumped into a cycle tyre the volume and pressure of the air in the tyre both are increased. What about Boyle's law in this case?**

**Answer:** Boyle's law ( $PV = \text{constant}$ ) applies only when the amount of gas remains constant. When pumping air, we're adding more gas molecules, so the mass (and number of moles) increases. The correct relation is  $PV = nRT$  where  $n$  varies. Therefore, Boyle's law doesn't apply directly.

**24. A balloon has 5.0 g mole of helium at  $7^\circ\text{C}$ . Calculate a) the number of atoms of helium in the balloon b) the total internal energy of the system**

**Answer:**  $T = 7^\circ\text{C} = 280 \text{ K}$  a) Number of atoms =  $5 \times 6.023 \times 10^{23} = 3.01 \times 10^{24}$  atoms b) For monatomic gas: Internal energy =  $(3/2)nRT = (3/2) \times 5 \times 8.314 \times 280 = 1.74 \times 10^4 \text{ J}$

**25. Calculate the number of degrees of freedom of molecules of hydrogen in 1 cc of hydrogen gas at NTP.**

**Answer:** At NTP, 22400 cc contains 1 mole Number of molecules in 1 cc =  $(1/22400) \times 6.023 \times 10^{23} = 2.69 \times 10^{19}$   $H_2$  has 5 degrees of freedom Total degrees of freedom =  $5 \times 2.69 \times 10^{19} = 1.34 \times 10^{20}$

**26. An insulated container containing monoatomic gas of molar mass  $M$  is moving with a velocity  $v_0$ . If the container is suddenly stopped, find the change in temperature.**

**Answer:** Initial kinetic energy =  $\frac{1}{2}nMv_0^2$  This converts to internal energy:  $\Delta U = nC_v\Delta T$  For monatomic gas:  $C_v = (3/2)R$   $\frac{1}{2}nMv_0^2 = n(3/2)R\Delta T$   $\Delta T = Mv_0^2/(3R)$