

U.G. 3rd Semester Examination - 2019

PHYSICS**[HONOURS]**

Course Code : PHYS(H)CC-06-T

Thermal Physics

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2½ Hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.**Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*

1. Answer any five questions: $2 \times 5 = 10$
- a) Define the principle of increase of entropy.
 - b) Write down the third law of thermodynamics.
 - c) What is Brownian motion?
 - d) Briefly explain the Doppler Broadening of spectral lines.
 - e) Write the law of corresponding states.
 - f) What do you mean by transport phenomena of gases.
 - g) Explain the term "degrees of freedom" of a dynamical system.
 - h) Define coefficient of performance of a refrigerator.
2. Answer any two questions: $5 \times 2 = 10$
- a) i) Calculate the increase in entropy when the temperature of 2 kg of ice is raised

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from -5°C to 15°C water at normal pressure. Given that:

Specific heat of ice = $2.09 \times 10^3 \text{ Jkg}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$

Specific heat of water = $4.18 \times 10^3 \text{ Jkg}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$

Latent heat of melting = $3.35 \times 10^5 \text{ J/kg}$

ii) Prove $TdS = C_p dT - T \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_P dP$. 3+2

b) i) For a mole of ideal gas at $t=0^{\circ}\text{C}$, calculate the work done W (in Joules) in an isothermal expansion from V_0 to $10V_0$ in volume.

ii) Derive Maxwell's relations using thermodynamic potentials. 1+4

c) i) Using the Maxwell's law of distribution of molecular speed, derive expression for root mean square speed.

ii) Obtain the relation: $F = U + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T} \right)_V$ 3+2

d) i) A gas obeys the equation $P(V-b) = RT$, where b is constant and C_v is constant. Show that:

A relation that holds during an adiabatic process is $P(V-b)^{\gamma} = \text{constant}$, where

$$\gamma = \frac{C_p}{C_v}$$

ii) Show that the probability of a gas molecule traversing a distance x , without

collision, is $e^{-x/\lambda}$ where λ is the mean free path of the gas molecule. 3+2

3. Answer any two questions: 10×2=20

a) i) Show that for a van der Waal's gas

$$C_p - C_v = R \left(1 + \frac{2a}{RTV} \right)$$

ii) Which is more effective way of increasing the efficiency of Carnot engine— to increase the source temperature T_1 , keeping T_2 fixed, or to decrease the sink temperature T_2 , keeping T_1 fixed? Explain.

iii) Show that mean free path of gas molecules in thermal equilibrium is approximately given by $\frac{1}{\pi \sigma^2 n}$, where the symbols have their usual meanings.

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b) i) Derive the Clausius-Clapeyron's equation from third Maxwell's relation, namely

$$\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_V = \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V} \right)_T$$

ii) Find the change in melting point of ice at 0°C for an increase of pressure by

1 atm. Given specific volume of ice at $0^{\circ}\text{C}=1.09$ cc, latent heat at $0^{\circ}\text{C}=80$ cal/gm.

iii) Obtain the expression for critical constants P_c , V_c and T_c for van der Waal's equation of state. 2+4+4

✓ c) i) Draw the temperature versus entropy diagram for Carnot cycle. Hence derive the expression for efficiency of Carnot engine.

ii) For helium gas, covolume $b=23.4$ cc/gm.mol. Given, $N_A=6.22\times 10^{23}$, calculate the diameter of the helium atom.

iii) Define first and second order phase transition with examples.

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✓ d) i) Deduce that the Joule-Thomson coefficient μ is given by

$$\mu = \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial P} \right)_H = \frac{1}{C_P} \left[T \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_P - V \right].$$

ii) Discuss the results on the experimental study of isothermals of CO_2 by Andrews.

iii) The average kinetic energy of a molecule of hydrogen at 0°C is 5.645×10^{-14} erg and the molar gas constant $R=8.31\times 10^7$ erg. Calculate the Avogadro number N_A . 4+3+3

