

Practice Question Set For A-Level
Subject : Physics
Paper-2 Topic: Thermal Physics

Name of the Student: _____

Max. Marks : 20 Marks

Time : 20 Minutes

Mark Schemes

Q1.

- (a) molecules have negligible volume
collisions are elastic
the gas cannot be liquified
there are no interactions between molecules (except during collisions)
the gas obeys the (ideal) gas law / obeys Boyles law etc.
at all temperatures/pressures
any two lines ✓ ✓

a gas laws may be given as a formula

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- (b) (i) $n (= PV / RT) = 1.60 \times 10^6 \times 0.200 / (8.31 \times (273 + 22))$ ✓
= 130 or 131 mol ✓ (130.5 mol)

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- (ii) mass = $130.5 \times 0.043 = 5.6$ (kg) ✓
(5.61kg)

allow ecf from bi

density (= mass / volume) = $5.61 / 0.200 = 28$ ✓ (28.1 kg m⁻³)
kg m⁻³ ✓

a numerical answer without working can gain the first two marks

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- (iii) $(V_2 = P_1 V_1 T_2 / P_2 T_1)$
 $V_2 = 1.6 \times 10^6 \times .200 \times (273 - 50) / 3.6 \times 10^4 \times (273 + 22)$ or 6.7(2) (m³) ✓
allow ecf from bii

[reminder must see bii]

look out for

mass remaining = $5.61 \times 0.20 / 6.72 = 0.17$ (kg) ✓ (0.167 kg)

or

$n = (PV / RT = 3.6 \times 10^4 \times 0.200 / (8.31 \times (273 - 50))) = 3.88(5)$ (mol) ✓

mass remaining = $3.885 \times 4.3 \times 10^{-2} = 0.17$ (kg) ✓

2 sig figs ✓

any 2 sf answer gets the mark

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Q2.

$$(a) \quad \Delta T = \left(\frac{\Delta Q}{mc} \right) = \frac{8.5 \times 10^3}{4200 \times 0.12} \quad \checkmark$$

17 K \checkmark

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$$(b) \quad \left(\frac{\Delta T}{\Delta t} = \frac{\Delta Q}{mc} \right) = \frac{100 - 26}{\Delta t} = \frac{8.5 \times 10^3}{0.41 \times 4200} \quad \checkmark$$

t = 15 s \checkmark

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Q3.

$$(a) \quad (i) \quad n = PV/RT = 3.2 \times 10^5 \times 1.9 \times 10^{-3} / 8.31 \times 285$$

$$n = 0.26 \text{ mol } \checkmark \quad (0.257 \text{ mol})$$

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$$(ii) \quad P_2 = \frac{T_2}{T_1} \times P_1 = \frac{295}{285} \times 3.20 \times 10^5 \quad \checkmark$$

$$3.31 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa } \checkmark \quad (\text{allow } 3.30\text{-}3.35 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa})$$

3 sig figs \checkmark sig fig mark stands alone even with incorrect answer

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(b) similar -(rapid) **random** motion

- range of speeds

different - **mean** kinetic energy

- root **mean** square speed

- **frequency** of collisions

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