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U.G. 3rd Semester Examination - 2019

PHYSICS

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

Thermal Physics

Full Marks : 40

Time : $2\frac{1}{2}$ 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 $= 2.09 \times 10^3 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$

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

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 $e^{-\frac{x}{\lambda}}$ 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 $0^{\circ}\text{C}=1.09\text{ cc}$, latent heat at $0^{\circ}\text{C}=80\text{ cal/gm}$.

- 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 $b=23.4\text{ cc/gm.mol}$. 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. (2+2)+3+(1\frac{1}{2}+1\frac{1}{2})
- 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 $5.645\times 10^{-14}\text{ erg}$ and the molar gas constant $R=8.31\times 10^7\text{ erg}$. Calculate the Avogadro number N_A . 4+3+3