

Thermal Properties of Materials

Question paper 2

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>85%	77.5%	70%	62.5%	57.5%	45%	<45%

1 The volume of 1.00 kg of water in the liquid state at 100 °C is $1.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$. The volume of 1.00 kg of water vapour at 100 °C and atmospheric pressure $1.01 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ is 1.69 m^3 .

(a) Show that the work done against the atmosphere when 1.00 kg of liquid water becomes water vapour is $1.71 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$.

[2]

(b) (i) The first law of thermodynamics may be given by the expression

$$\Delta U = + q + w$$

where ΔU is the increase in internal energy of the system.

State what is meant by

1. $+ q$,

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2. $+ w$.

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(ii) The specific latent heat of vaporisation of water at 100 °C is $2.26 \times 10^6 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$.

A mass of 1.00 kg of liquid water becomes water vapour at 100 °C.

Determine, using your answer in (a), the increase in internal energy of this mass of water during vaporisation.

increase in internal energy = J [2]

2 A microwave cooker uses electromagnetic waves of frequency 2450 MHz. The microwaves warm the food in the cooker by causing water molecules in the food to oscillate with a large amplitude at the frequency of the microwaves.

(a) State the name given to this phenomenon.

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(b) The effective microwave power of the cooker is 750 W. The temperature of a mass of 280 g of water rises from 25 °C to 98 °C in a time of 2.0 minutes.

Calculate a value for the specific heat capacity of the water.

specific heat capacity = J kg⁻¹ K⁻¹ [3]

(c) The value of the specific heat capacity determined from the data in (b) is greater than the accepted value.

A student gives as the reason for this difference: ‘heat lost to the surroundings’.

Suggest, in more detail than that given by the student, a possible reason for the difference.

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3 (a) (i) State what is meant by the *internal energy* of a system.

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(ii) Explain why, for an ideal gas, the internal energy is equal to the total kinetic energy of the molecules of the gas.

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(b) The mean kinetic energy $\langle E_K \rangle$ of a molecule of an ideal gas is given by the expression

$$\langle E_K \rangle = \frac{3}{2}kT$$

where k is the Boltzmann constant and T is the thermodynamic temperature of the gas.

A cylinder contains 1.0 mol of an ideal gas. The gas is heated so that its temperature changes from 280 K to 460 K.

(i) Calculate the change in total kinetic energy of the gas molecules.

change in energy = J [2]

- (ii) During the heating, the gas expands, doing $1.5 \times 10^3 \text{ J}$ of work.
State the first law of thermodynamics. Use the law and your answer in (i) to determine the total energy supplied to the gas.

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total energy = J [3]

4 A student suggests that, when an ideal gas is heated from 100°C to 200°C, the internal energy of the gas is doubled.

(a) (i) State what is meant by *internal energy*.

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(ii) By reference to one of the assumptions of the kinetic theory of gases and your answer in (i), deduce what is meant by the internal energy of an ideal gas.

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(b) State and explain whether the student's suggestion is correct.

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5 (a) Define *specific latent heat*.

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(b) The heater in an electric kettle has a power of 2.40 kW.
When the water in the kettle is boiling at a steady rate, the mass of water evaporated in 2.0 minutes is 106 g.
The specific latent heat of vaporisation of water is 2260 J g^{-1} .

Calculate the rate of loss of thermal energy to the surroundings of the kettle during the boiling process.

rate of loss = W [3]

6 (a) State what is meant by the *internal energy* of a system.

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(b) State and explain qualitatively the change, if any, in the internal energy of the following systems:

(i) a lump of ice at 0°C melts to form liquid water at 0°C,

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(ii) a cylinder containing gas at constant volume is in sunlight so that its temperature rises from 25°C to 35°C.

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7 (a) The first law of thermodynamics may be expressed in the form

$$\Delta U = q + w.$$

Explain the symbols in this expression.

+ ΔU

+ q

+ w

[3]

(b) (i) State what is meant by *specific latent heat*.

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(ii) Use the first law of thermodynamics to explain why the specific latent heat of vaporisation is greater than the specific latent heat of fusion for a particular substance.

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