

Exercise 10

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The exercise is due on Wednesday, July 4, 8 am.

10.1 Text book

Read sections 6.1 and 6.4 in G.H. Findenegg, T. Hellweg „Statistische Thermodynamik“

10.2 Occupation of the vibrational states of I₂

From the Raman spectrum of the diatomic Iodine at room temperature, the vibrational wave number is $\tilde{\nu}_0 = 21460\text{m}^{-1}$.

Determine:

- (a) the oscillation frequency.
- (b) the characteristic temperature Θ_{vib} .
- (c) the ratio $\frac{\Theta_{vib}}{T}$.
- (d) the partition function z_{vib} .
- (e) the occupation probability N_v/N of the first 4 vibrational states.

10.3 Vibrational contribution to the entropy

Plot the contribution to the entropy from a given vibrational mode as function of the quantity

$$x = \frac{h\nu}{k_B T}$$

for $T = 298\text{K}$ and $T = 1000\text{K}$.

10.4 Relative populations of the rotational energy levels

The relative populations of the rotational energy levels of an unsymmetric diatomic molecule are given as

$$p_J = \frac{N_J}{N} \sim (2J + 1) \exp \left[-J(J + 1) \frac{\Theta_{rot}}{T} \right]. \quad (1)$$

- (a) Show that the level with the highest relative population is

$$J_{max} = \sqrt{\frac{T}{2\Theta_{rot}}} - \frac{1}{2}$$

- (b) Plot J_{max} as a function of the temperature for

- $^1\text{H}^{19}\text{F}$: $\Theta_{rot} = 60.875\text{ K}$
- $^1\text{H}^{35}\text{Cl}$: $\Theta_{rot} = 15.021\text{ K}$
- $^1\text{H}^{81}\text{Br}$: $\Theta_{rot} = 12.012\text{ K}$
- $^1\text{H}^{127}\text{I}$: $\Theta_{rot} = 9.246\text{ K}$

10.5 Rotational-vibrational spectrum of CO

In this exercise, you will calculate the rotational vibrational spectrum of $^{12}\text{C}^{16}\text{O}$ for the vibrational transition $\nu = 0 \rightarrow \nu' = 1$. The characteristic temperatures for vibration and rotation are

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta_{\text{vib}} &= 3112 \text{ K} \\ \Theta_{\text{rot}} &= 2.766 \text{ K}\end{aligned}\tag{2}$$

- Calculate the frequency of the fundamental vibrational transition ($\nu = 0, J = 0 \rightarrow \nu' = 1, J' = 0$). Is this transition observed in the spectrum? Why?
- Calculate and plot the relative populations of the rotational states in the vibrational ground state.
- Calculate the frequencies in the R-Branch.
- Calculate the frequencies in the P-Branch .
- Sketch the spectrum.
- Do you expect a different line pattern in a spectrum of natural CO? Why?

10.6 Entropy of mixing

Calculate $\Delta_{\text{mix}}S$ for the mixing of two ideal gases A and B with molecule numbers N_A and N_B and volumes V_A and V_B into a total volume of $V = V_A + V_B$. Consider:

- indistinguishable particles of different species.
- distinguishable particles of different species.
- indistinguishable particles of only one species ($A = B$).
- distinguishable particles of only one species.

How consistent is your result?