Passage VI

For gas atoms in a state of random motion, the *mean free path*, λ , is the average distance a gas atom will travel between collisions with other gas atoms. This distance depends upon the diameter of the gas atom, d, the volume of the gas, V, and the number of atoms of the gas, N. Table 1 lists the name, symbol, and value of d (in nanometers, nm) for each of 4 gases. Figure 1 shows, for each gas, at 293 kelvins (K), how λ (in nm) varies with V (in liters, L) in a sample with $N=6\times 10^{23}$ atoms of the gas. Figure 2 shows, for each gas, at 293 K, how λ varies with N in a sample with V=25 L.

Table 1		
Gas	Symbol	d (nm)
Neon	Ne	0.076
Argon Krypton Xenon	Ar Kr Xe	0.142 0.176 0.216

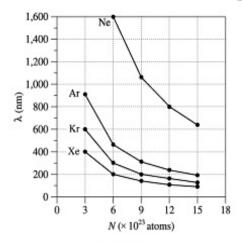


Figure 2

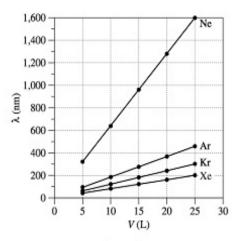


Figure 1

- 35. According to Figure 2, what is the order of gas samples from shortest λ to longest λ for $N = 15 \times 10^{23}$ atoms?
 - A. Ne, Ar, Kr, Xe B. Ne, Kr, Ar, Xe C. Xe, Ar, Kr, Ne D. Xe, Kr, Ar, Ne
- 36. According to Figure 2, doubling the Ne sample size from 6×10^{23} atoms to 12×10^{23} atoms effectively multiplies λ for Ne by a factor of:

 - G.
 - H. 2.
 - 4.

- 37. Consider 2 Kr samples at 293 K, each with $N = 6 \times 10^{23}$ atoms, but one with V = 25 L and the other with V = 50 L. Based on Figure 1, λ for the 50 L sample would most likely be how many times as great as λ for the 25 L sample?
- 38. Based on Figure 1, for the Xe and Ar gas samples with V = 20 L, compared to λ for Xe, approximately how much longer is λ for Ar ?
 - 50 nm
 - 100 nm
 - H. 150 nm
 - J. 200 nm

- 39. The collision frequency is defined as the number of collisions between gas atoms per second. Consider the 5 L and 25 L Xe samples represented in Figure 1. Assuming the Xe atoms have the same average speed in both samples, in which sample would the collision frequency more likely be higher?
 - A. In the 5 L sample; Xe atoms in the 5 L sample travel, on average, shorter distances between collisions and therefore collide more often.
 - In the 5 L sample; Xe atoms in the 5 L sample travel, on average, longer distances between colli-sions and therefore collide more often.
 - In the 25 L sample; Xe atoms in the 25 L sample travel, on average, shorter distances between collisions and therefore collide more often.
 - D. In the 25 L sample; Xe atoms in the 25 L sample travel, on average, longer distances between collisions and therefore collide more often.
- 40. For a particular sample of radon (Rn) gas in a 25 L container at 293 K, λ is approximately 320 nm. If d for Rn is 0.240 nm, then, based on Table 1 and Figure 2, approximately how many Rn atoms are most likely in this sample?

 - F. Less than 6×10^{23} G. Between 6×10^{23} and 9×10^{23} H. Between 9×10^{23} and 12×10^{23} J. More than 12×10^{23}

END OF TEST 4

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