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Internal friction of gases  
(viscosity of gases)

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## Objective

From measurements of the viscosity of  $H_2$ ,  $CO_2$  at  $20^\circ$  and  $70^\circ$  Celsius, the mean free path and the collision cross section of the gas should be determined.

## Basics

With the viscosity the ~~the~~ toughness of a substance is described. With the kinetic gas theory you get the following equations for a dilute gas:

$$\eta = \frac{1}{3} \rho \lambda \bar{c}; \quad \rho: \text{gas density} \quad \lambda: \text{Mean free path} \quad \bar{c}: \text{Mean molecular velocity}$$

$$\rho = \frac{pM}{RT} \quad \bar{c} = \left[ \frac{8RT}{\pi M} \right]^{1/2} \quad \lambda = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} \pi G^2 (N/V)} \quad \eta: \text{viscosity}$$

$p$ : pressure     $M$ : molecular mass     $R$ : universal gas constant  
 $T$ : absolute temperature     $N/V$ : number density     $G$ : collision cross section

From these equations and by substituting  $\frac{1}{3}$  through  $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{32}$  you get:  $\eta = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{16} \sqrt{\frac{MRT}{\pi}} \frac{1}{N_A \pi G^2}$ ;  $N_A$ : Avogadro's number  
 As a result, the ~~mean~~ free path and the collision cross section can be determined as a measure for the molecular diameter.

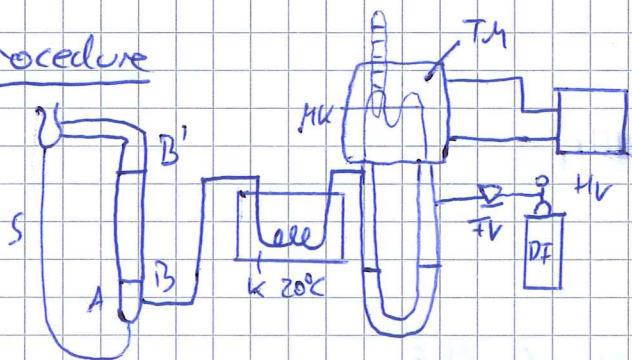
For the measuring gases, the Hagen - Poiseuille's law is used for laminar flows.

$$\eta = \frac{r^4 \cdot \pi \cdot \epsilon \cdot \Delta p}{8 V L}$$

$r$ : radius of the measuring capillary  
 $\epsilon$ : flow time     $\Delta p$ : pressure drop  
 $V$ : flowing gas volume     $L$ : length of the capillary

For the pressure drop:  $\Delta p = \rho \cdot g \cdot \Delta h$ ;  $\rho$ : density     $g$ : gravitational acceleration  
 $\Delta h$ : height

## procedure



- HV: main valve
- DT: gas cylinder
- FV: precision valve
- TM: water jacket
- MK: measuring capillary
- K: copper cooling coil
- S: tube
- B & B': markers
- A: soap lamella point

A gas cylinder is connected and a pressure of 0.5 to 1 bar is set. With the precision valve the height of the glycerol column is set. It should read  $\approx 8.5$  cm.

Lifting and squeezing of the Eute S causes gas bubbles from the soap solution. These are carried by the gas through the pipe from B to B'. By measuring the time the bubbles need for this distance, you get the flow time.

But before that the gas has to flow for about 5 min through the apparatus at the respective temperature.

The time is measured 10 times for each gas and each temperature (20°C & 70°C). Also note the pressure difference.

Source: description of experiment A46

## data analysis - results

①.

	CO <sub>2</sub>		H <sub>2</sub>		CO <sub>2</sub>		H <sub>2</sub>	
	value	±	Value	±	Value	±	value	±
a) T in K	293,5	0,1	294,65	0,1	343,5	0,1	342,65	0,1
V <sub>2</sub> in m <sup>3</sup>	3,34E-05	1,62E-08	3,32E-05	1,61E-08	3,34E-05	1,62E-08	3,32E-05	1,61E-08
Δh in m	0,0845	0,002	0,084	0,002	0,0823	0,002	0,086	0,002
b) Δt in s	14,682	0,133	7,666	0,128	18,874	0,282	9,329	0,102
c) Δp in Pa	1044,471	24,721	1038,29	24,721	1017,277	24,721	1063,012	24,721
d) η in kg/m/s	1,54E-05	4,09E-06 5,12 · 10 <sup>-7</sup>	8,03E-06	2,63E-06 3,23 · 10 <sup>-7</sup>	1,93E-05	6,13E-06 7,66 · 10 <sup>-7</sup>	1,00E-05	2,77E-06 3,46 · 10 <sup>-7</sup>

calculations:

① a) ideal gas:  $pV = nRT \Rightarrow \frac{T_1}{V_1} = \frac{T_2}{V_2}$  with  $dp=0 \Rightarrow V_2 = \frac{T_2 \cdot V_1}{T_1}$  with  $V_1 = 28,5 \text{ cm}^3$

$$\Delta V_2 = \left| \frac{\partial V_2}{\partial T_1} \right| \Delta T_1 + \left| \frac{\partial V_2}{\partial T_2} \right| \Delta T_2 = \frac{T_2 V_1}{T_1^2} \Delta T_1 + \frac{V_1}{T_1} \Delta T_2 \quad \text{with } \Delta T_1 = 0,14 \text{ and } \Delta T_2 = 0,05 \text{ K}$$

b) Δt is the average of our measured times

the error of Δt =  $\Delta(\Delta t) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N (t_i - \Delta t)^2}$  with  $N=10$

c) from description of experiment:  $\Delta p = \rho \cdot g \cdot \Delta h$ , with  $g = 9,81 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$ ,  $\rho = (\text{density glycerol}) = 1260 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$

error of Δh =  $\Delta(\Delta h) = 0,002 \text{ m}$  because we had to measure the difference and so the error is  $\pm 2 \cdot 0,001 \text{ m}$

⇒ error of Δp =  $\Delta(\Delta p) = \left| \frac{\partial \Delta p}{\partial \Delta h} \right| \Delta(\Delta h) = |\rho \cdot g| \cdot \Delta(\Delta h)$

d) viscosity  $\eta = \frac{r^4 \cdot \pi \cdot t \Delta p}{8VL}$  from description of experiment

with  $r = 0,0004 \text{ m} = \frac{0,0008 \text{ m}}{2}$ ,  $L = 30 \text{ cm}$ ,  $V = V_2$ ,  $t = \Delta t$  from table

$$\Delta \eta = \left| \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \Delta t} \right| \Delta(\Delta t) + \left| \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \Delta p} \right| \Delta(\Delta p) + \left| \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial V_2} \right| \Delta V_2 = \frac{r^4 \pi}{8L} \cdot \left( \frac{\Delta p}{V_2} \Delta(\Delta t) + \frac{\Delta t}{V_2} \Delta(\Delta p) + \frac{\Delta t \Delta p}{V_2^2} \Delta V_2 \right)$$

② showing that the viscosity is proportional to  $\sqrt{T}$  ( $\eta \sim \sqrt{T}$ )

⇒  $\eta = c \cdot \sqrt{T} \Leftrightarrow c = \eta \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}$

CO<sub>2</sub>:  $c_1 = \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{293,5 \text{ K}}} = 8,93 \cdot 10^{-7} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{ms}\sqrt{\text{K}}}$ ,  $c_2 = \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{343,5 \text{ K}}} = 1,04 \cdot 10^{-6} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{ms}\sqrt{\text{K}}}$

H<sub>2</sub>:  $c_1 = \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{294,65 \text{ K}}} = 4,69 \cdot 10^{-7} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{ms}\sqrt{\text{K}}}$ ,  $c_2 = \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{342,65 \text{ K}}} = 5,4 \cdot 10^{-7} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{ms}\sqrt{\text{K}}}$

The difference between  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  is in both cases very small (<13,5%), so the relation  $\eta \sim \sqrt{T}$  can be assumed. More values to calculate with would give us a more accurate assumption

③ collision cross section for  $T=20^\circ\text{C}$  and  $p=1\text{bar}$  with the given equation from the description of the experiment:

$$\eta = 0,938 \sqrt{\frac{MRT}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{N_A \pi \sigma^2} \Leftrightarrow \sigma = \sqrt{0,938 \sqrt{\frac{MRT}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{N_A \pi \eta}} \quad \text{with } N_A = 6,022 \cdot 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

$$R = 8,314 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{mol K}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{\text{CO}_2} = 4,47 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ m}, \quad M_{\text{CO}_2} = 44,01 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{mol}}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{H}_2} = 2,807 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ m}, \quad M_{\text{H}_2} = 2,01588 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{mol}}$$

mean free path for  $T=20^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $p=1\text{bar}$

$$\eta = \frac{1}{3} s \Lambda \bar{c}, \quad \bar{c} = \sqrt{\frac{8RT}{\pi M}}, \quad s = \frac{p \cdot M}{RT} \Rightarrow \Lambda = \frac{3\eta}{s \bar{c}} = \frac{3\eta}{p} \sqrt{\frac{\pi RT}{8M}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Lambda_{\text{CO}_2} = 6,82 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ m}, \quad \Lambda_{\text{H}_2} = 1,66 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ m}$$

error of  $\sigma$  and  $\Lambda$ :

$$\Delta \sigma = \left| \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial \eta} \right| \Delta \eta = \left| -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{0,938 \sqrt{\frac{MRT}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{N_A \pi}} \right| \eta^{-\frac{3}{2}} \Delta \eta$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta \sigma_{\text{CO}_2} = 7,39 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ m}, \quad \Delta \sigma_{\text{H}_2} = 5,84 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta \Lambda = \left| \frac{\partial \Lambda}{\partial \eta} \right| \Delta \eta = \left| \frac{3}{p} \sqrt{\frac{\pi RT}{8M}} \right| \Delta \eta$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta \Lambda_{\text{CO}_2} = 2,26 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ m}, \quad \Delta \Lambda_{\text{H}_2} = 6,8 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ m}$$

④ Comparison of collision diameter with molecular diameters from van der Waals constant  $b$

	CO <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>2</sub>
$b$ (l)	0,0429 $\frac{\text{L}}{\text{mol}}$	0,0265 $\frac{\text{L}}{\text{mol}}$
$r_w$	$2,34 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ m}$	$1,33 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ m}$
$\sigma$	$4,47 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ m}$	$2,87 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ m}$

$$b = \frac{RT_c}{8p_c} \quad nRT = \left(p + \frac{a^2}{V^2}\right)(V - nb)$$

$$\Rightarrow b = N_A \cdot \frac{4}{3} \pi r_w^3$$

(1): source: CRC-Handbook of Chemistry and Physics, 83th edition, 2003, p. 6-33

$\Rightarrow \sigma$  is much smaller than  $r_w$ , but the difference is explainable because of the electrostatic forces, and the simplification that atoms are balls, which were left out in the van der Waals-equation

For H<sub>2</sub> the approximation works better, because there are only 2 electrons.

⑤ diffusion:  $J = -D \frac{dN}{dz}$ ,  $D = \frac{1}{3} \lambda \bar{c}$  for gases  $\lambda = \frac{kT}{\sqrt{2} \pi \sigma^2 p} \Rightarrow \lambda$  inversely proportional to  $p$   
 $\Rightarrow D \sim \frac{1}{p}$

$\Rightarrow$  molecules diffuse slower with higher pressure

$\Rightarrow$  higher  $T \Rightarrow$  higher  $\bar{c} \Rightarrow$  higher  $D \Rightarrow$  molecule diffuse quicker with higher temperature

This behaviour is similar to liquids (diffusion  $\sim T$ ) but liquids are almost inert to pressure alteration.

viscosity:  $\eta = \frac{1}{3} s \Lambda \bar{c} = \frac{1}{3} M \lambda \bar{c} [A] \Rightarrow$  viscosity  $\eta$  independent of pressure because higher  $p$  leads to higher concentration but lower  $\lambda$

$$\Rightarrow \eta \sim T \text{ because } \eta \sim \bar{c}$$

for fluids:  $\eta \sim \frac{1}{T}$ ,  $\eta \sim \frac{1}{p}$  because of the forces between the molecules which are more bound together than gases.

For liquid,  $\eta \sim p$ . ~~but~~  $p$  is changed very small,  $\eta$  is independent.

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 $L = 30 \text{ cm}$

$\text{NO}_2$

( $\text{H}_2 = 0,5 \text{ bar}$ ) ( $\text{CO}_2 = 0,6 \text{ bar}$ )

20°C

$U_5$  start, stop  $U_2$   
 $\Delta p = 8,3 \text{ cm}$ ,  $h = 8,5 \text{ cm}$   
 $\Delta h = 0,5 \text{ cm}$   
 $\Delta t = 0,5 \text{ s}$   $t = 20^\circ \text{C}$   
 $T_{\text{water}} = 14^\circ \text{C}$

CO<sub>2</sub>

bubble	time in s	
1	15,26	
2	14,65	8,5
3	14,42	
4	14,70	
5	14,78	
6	14,52	
7	14,74	
8	14,71	
9	14,68	
10	14,96	
11	14,72	8,4

H<sub>2</sub>

$U_3$  start, stop  $U_4$   
 $(P = 39 \frac{\text{ml}}{\text{min}})$   
 $T = 27,5^\circ \text{C}$   $T_{\text{bath}} = 14^\circ \text{C}$   
 $\Delta p = 8,3 \text{ cm}$

bubbles	time in s	$\Delta p$
1	7,81	
2	7,72	
3	7,73	
4	7,77	
5	7,74	
6	7,64	
7	7,64	
8	7,57	
9	7,69	
10	7,55	

70°C

H<sub>2</sub>

(70,5°C)  
 $\Delta T = 1^\circ \text{C}$   
 $T_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 74,5^\circ \text{C}$

bubble	$\Delta t$ in s	$\Delta p$ in cm	$T_{\text{in}}^\circ \text{C}$
1	9,32	8,6	71
2	9,29	8,6	71
3	9,5	8,6	70,5
4	9,24	8,6	70,5
5	9,43	8,6	70,5
6	9,79	"	70
7	9,23	"	"
8	9,29	"	"
9	9,44	"	"
10	9,36	"	"

CO<sub>2</sub>

bubble	$\Delta t$ in s	$\Delta p$ in cm	$T_{\text{in}}^\circ \text{C}$
1	18,63	8,2	69,5
2	18,83	"	"
3	18,59	8,3	"
4	18,47	"	"
5	18,88	"	"
6	19,06	"	"
7	19,14	"	"
8	19,26	8,2	11
9	18,21	8,1	"
10	18,67	8,1	"

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