

Q.1 (a) Explain the methods for super saturation.

Ans. (1) Supersaturation by cooling a solution through indirect heat exchange.

(2) Supersaturation by evaporation of a part of the solvent.

(3) Supersaturation by adding a new substance

(4) Supersaturation by chemical reaction with a third substance.

Q.1 (b) Write down the mechanism of crystallization.

Ans. The first step is nucleation and the second is called crystal growth - the growth of crystals to macroscopic size.

The generation of a new solid phase either on an inert material in the solution or in the solution itself is called nucleation while the increase in size of this nucleus with layer by layer addition of solute is called crystal growth.

Q.2 (a) What are the differences between physical and chemical adsorption.

Ans -

Physical adsorption

Chemisorption

- (1) Forces involved are weak.
- (2) It is readily reversible phenomenon.
- (3) Heat of adsorption is small.
- (4) Non-specific in nature, entire surface is available for adsorption.
- (5) Activation energy is low, nearly negligible.

- (1) Forces involved are stronger.
- (2) It is irreversible process.
- (3) Heat of adsorption is large.
- (4) Highly specific in nature and restricted to definite sites on the surface.
- (5) Activation energy is high, corresponding to chemical reaction.

Q.2 (b) Explain the properties of good adsorbent.

Ans. (1) Adsorbent solids are usually used in granular form with size ranging from 12mm in diameter to 55µm.

- (2) They must possess a large surface area per unit mass.
- (3) They should have perfect ability to take up the adsorbate.

- (4) These are usually highly porous materials.
- (5) They should be free flowing for ease in handling.
- (6) They should have adequate strength and hardness.

Q-3(a) Derive the formula for steady state diffusion of A through non diffusing B in gas phase.

Ans. diffuser - $M_A = N_A + J_A$

$$M_A = (M_A + M_B) \frac{C_A}{C} - D_{AB} \frac{dC_A}{dz}$$

$$\int_{C_{A1}}^{C_{A2}} \frac{-dC_A}{M_A (C - C_A (M_A + M_B))} = \frac{1}{C D_{AB}} \int_{z_1}^{z_2} dz$$

$$\frac{1}{M_A + M_B} \ln \frac{M_A C - C_{A2} (M_A + M_B)}{M_A C - C_{A1} (M_A + M_B)} = \frac{z}{C D_{AB}}$$

$$M_A z = \frac{M_A}{M_A + M_B} \frac{D_{AB}}{z} \ln \frac{M_A (M_A + M_B) - C_{A2} C}{M_A (M_A + M_B) - C_{A1} C}$$

For ideal gas,

$$\frac{C_A}{C} = \frac{P_A}{P_t} = \gamma_A$$

P_A = Partial pressure of com A

P_t = total pressure

γ_A = mole fraction

$$C = \frac{n}{V} = \frac{P_t}{RT}$$

$$M_A z = \frac{M_A}{M_A + M_B} \frac{D_{AB} P_t}{RT} \ln \frac{(M_A / (M_A + M_B)) P_t - \bar{P}_{A2}}{(M_A / (M_A + M_B)) P_t - \bar{P}_{A1}}$$

A is diffusing and B is non diffusing.

$$M_A = \text{const} \quad M_B = 0$$

$$\frac{M_A}{M_A + M_B} = 1$$

so, \Rightarrow

$$M_A = \frac{D_{AB} P t}{RT z} \ln \frac{P_2 - P_{A2}}{P_2 - P_{A1}}$$

Ques-3. (b) Explain fick's law of diffusion.

Ans. The diffusivity, or diffusion coefficient, D_{AB} of a constituent A in solution in B, which is a measure of its diffusive mobility, is then defined as the ratio of its flux J_A to its concentration gradient

$$J_A = - D_{AB} \frac{\partial c_A}{\partial z} = - c D_{AB} \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial z}$$

Q-5 (a) Explain about Humid volume.

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Humid volume - the humid volume V_H of a vapour gas mixture is the volume of unit mass of dry gas and its associated vapour at the maximum temp and pressure.

For an ideal vapour-gas mixture of absolute humidity y' at temp t_G and pressure P_t .

the humid volume is given by.

$$V_H = \left(\frac{1}{m_B} + \frac{y'}{m_A} \right) \times 22.41 \times \frac{t_G + 273}{273} \times \frac{1.013 \times 10^5}{P_t}$$

$$V_H = 0.315 \left(\frac{1}{m_B} + \frac{y'}{m_A} \right) \left(\frac{t_G + 273}{P_t} \right)$$

V_H = humid volume, m^3/kg dry gas

t_G = temperature of mixture, $^{\circ}C$.

P_t = pressure, Pa

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Ans - the relative saturation, also called relative humidity is defined by -

$$\text{Relative saturation - fraction} = \frac{P_A}{P_A^{\text{sat}}}$$

$$\text{Relative saturation - \%} = \frac{100 P_A}{P_A^{\text{sat}}}$$

Q-6 In an oxygen-nitrogen mixture at 10 atm and 20°C the concentration of oxygen at two places of 0.3 cm apart are 20 and 80 volume percent respectively. Calculate the rate of diffusion of oxygen expressed as gm/cm² for the case of unicomponent diffusion (nitrogen is non-diffusing).

Data:- Value of diffusivity between oxygen - nitrogen = 0.181 cm²/sec.

$$R = 82.06 \text{ atm} \cdot \text{cm}^3 / \text{gm} \cdot \text{mol} \cdot \text{K}$$

$$D_{AB} = 0.181 \text{ cm}^2 / \text{sec}$$

$$P_t = 10 \text{ atm}$$

$$T = 25 + 273 = 298 \text{ K}$$

$$z = 0.3 \text{ cm}$$

$$M_A = ?$$

$$M_A = \frac{D_{AB} P_t (P_{A_1} - P_{A_2})}{R T z P_{B_m}}$$

Volume % = mole %.

$$P_{A_1} = 0.2 \times 10 = 2 \text{ atm}$$

$$P_{A_2} = 0.20 \times 10 = 2 \text{ atm}$$

$$P_{B_1} = 10 - 2 = 8 \text{ atm}$$

$$P_{B_2} = 10 - 2 = 8 \text{ atm}$$

$$\bar{P}_{Bm} = \frac{\bar{P}_{B2} - \bar{P}_{B1}}{\ln \left(\frac{\bar{P}_{B2}}{\bar{P}_{B1}} \right)} = \frac{8 - 7}{\ln \frac{8}{7}} = \frac{1}{\ln 0.117} = \underline{\underline{8.54}}$$

$$M_A = \frac{0.181 \times 10 \times (3-2)}{82.06 \times 2.98 \times 0.3 \times 8.54}$$

$$M_A = 2.88 \times 10^{-5} \text{ gm. mol / sec. cm}^2$$

$$= 2.88 \times 10^{-5} \times 32 \times 3600$$

$$= \underline{\underline{3.317 \times 10^{-5}}}$$

$$N_A = 3.317 \text{ gm / cm}^2 \cdot \text{hr} \quad \text{Ans}$$