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## Elevation of Boiling point

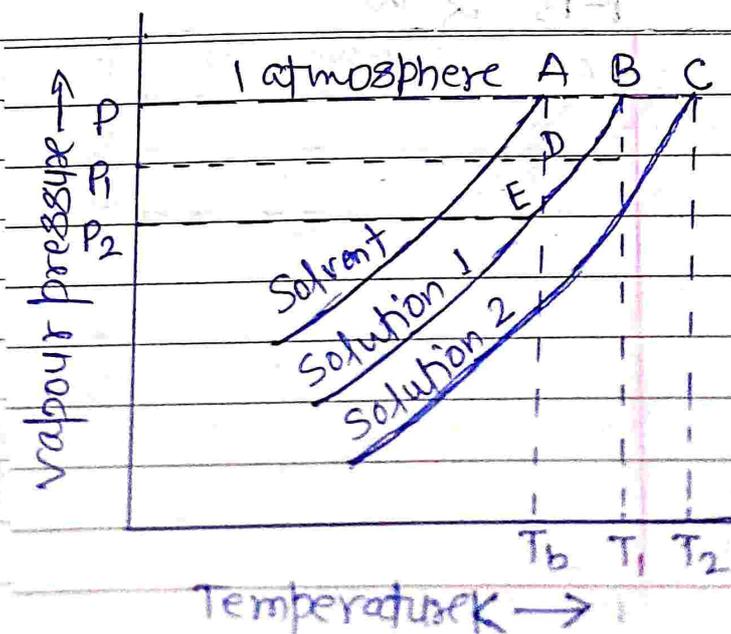
The boiling point,  $T_b$  of a liquid is the temperature at which its vapour pressure is equal to the atmospheric pressure.

When a non-volatile solute is added to a liquid, the vapour pressure of the liquid is decreased and consequently elevates the boiling point.

If  $T_b$  is the boiling point of the solvent and  $T$  is the boiling point of the solution, the difference in the boiling point ( $\Delta T$ ) is called the elevation of boiling point.

$$\Delta T = T - T_b$$

The vapour pressure of the pure solvent and solutions (1) and (2) with different concentrations of solute are shown in figure.



for dilute solutions, the curves AD and CE are parallel and straight lines approximately. Therefore, for similar triangles ACE and AAD, we have

$$\frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{AD}{AE}$$

$$\therefore \frac{T_1 - T_b}{T_2 - T_b} = \frac{P - P_1}{P - P_2}$$

where  $P - P_1$  and  $P - P_2$  are lowering of vapour pressure for sol<sup>n</sup> ① and sol<sup>n</sup> ② respectively.

Thus, the elevation of boiling point is directly proportional to the lowering of vapour pressure.

$$\Delta T \propto P - P_2 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

### Determination of molecular mass from Elevation of Boiling point

Since  $P$  is constant for the same solvent at a fixed temperature, from (1) we have

$$\Delta T \propto \frac{P - P_2}{P} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

But from Raoult's law for dilute solutions,

$$\frac{P - P_2}{P} \propto \frac{wM}{Wm} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Since  $M$  (mol. mass of solvent) is constant, from (3)

$$\frac{P - P_2}{P} \propto \frac{w}{Wm} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

from eq<sup>n</sup> (2) and (4)

$$\Delta T \propto \frac{w}{m} \times \frac{1}{W}$$

$$\therefore \Delta T = K_b \times \frac{w}{m} \times \frac{1}{W} \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

where  $K_b$  is a constant called Boiling point constant or Ebullioscopic constant of molal elevation constant.

If  $w/m = 1$ ,  $W = 1$ ,  $K_b = \Delta T$  Thus,

(3)

Molal elevation constant may be defined as the boiling-point elevation produced when 1 mole of solute is dissolved in 1 kg (1000 gm) of the solvent.

If the mass of the solvent ( $W$ ) is in gms., it has to be converted into kg. Thus the eqn (5) assumes the form

$$\Delta T = K_b \times \frac{W}{m} \times \frac{1}{W/1000}$$

$$\text{or } m = \frac{1000 \times K_b \times W}{\Delta T \times W} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Where  $\Delta T$  = Elevation of Boiling point,  $K_b$  = molal elevation constant,  $W$  = mass of solute in gm,  $m$  = mol mass of solute and  $W$  = mass of solvent in gm.

The value of  $K_b$  is determined by measurement of  $\Delta T$  by taking a solute of known molecular mass ( $m$ ) and substituting the values in expression (6).

The unit of  $K_b \Rightarrow \text{K kg mol}^{-1}$

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g/m<sup>2</sup>

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### Depression of freezing point

The freezing point of a liquid is the temperature at which a liquid of specific composition turns into a solid.

The difference in the freezing point of the pure solvent ( $T_f$ ) and the solution containing a non-volatile solute is called depression of freezing point.

Depression of freezing point is represented by  $\Delta T_f$  or  $\Delta T$ .

$\therefore \Delta T = T_f - T_i$   
Depression of freezing point is directly proportional to the lowering of vapour pressure.

$$\Delta T \propto P - P_s \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Determination of molecular mass from depression of freezing point.

Since  $P$  is constant for the same solvent at a fixed temperature, from eqn (1), we can write

$$\Delta T \propto \frac{P - P_s}{P} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

But from Raoult's law for dilute solution

$$\frac{P - P_s}{P} = \frac{wM}{Wm} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Since  $M$  (mol weight) of solvent is constant, from

equation (3)

$$\frac{P - P_s}{P} = \frac{w}{Wm} \quad (4)$$

from equation (2) and (4)

$$\Delta T \propto \frac{w}{m} \times \frac{1}{W}$$

$$\therefore \Delta T = K_f \times \frac{w}{m} \times \frac{1}{W} \quad (5)$$

Where  $K_f$  is a constant called freezing point constant or cryoscopic constant or Molal depression constant.

If  $w/m = 1$  and  $W = 1$ ,  $K_f = \Delta T$ . Thus, Molal depression constant may be defined as the freezing-point depression produced when 1 mole of solute is dissolved in one kg (1000 gm) of the solvent.

If the mass of solvent ( $W$ ) is given in gms it has to be converted into kg. Thus the expression (5) assumes the form,

$$\Delta T = K_f \times \frac{w}{m} \times \frac{1}{W/1000}$$

$$\text{or } \Delta T = K_f \times \frac{w}{m} \times \frac{1000}{W}$$

$$\therefore m = \frac{1000 \times K_f \times w}{\Delta T \times W} \quad (6)$$

Where  $m$  = Molecular Mass of solute,  $K_f$  = molal depression constant;  $w$  = mass of solute,  $W$  = mass of solvent,  $\Delta T$  = depression of freezing point.

Thus Molecular Mass of solute can be calculated.