

Specific Heat capacity:

Heat capacity (S):

The amount of heat required to raise the unit temp of a substance is called heat capacity of the substance.

Suppose an amount of heat ΔQ supplied to a substance changes its temp from T to $(T + \Delta T)$.

$$\text{Then, Heat capacity (S)} = \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta T}$$

Note: Heat capacity is dependent on mass (m) and Temperature. i.e. a different amount of heat may be needed for a unit rise in temp at different temperatures.

Specific heat capacity (s):

To define a constant characteristic of the substance and independent of its amount, we ~~let~~ divide S by the mass (m) of the substance, in kg.

$$s = \frac{S}{m} = \left(\frac{1}{m}\right) \left(\frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta T}\right)$$

s is known as the specific heat capacity of the substance.

* s depends on the nature of the substance and temperature.

* The unit of s is J/kg/K .

Defn:- specific heat capacity (s): The amount of heat required to raise the unit temperature of a unit-mass substance is called specific heat capacity (s) of the substance.

Molar specific heat capacity (c):

The amount of heat required to raise the unit temperature of a unit mole of substance is called ~~specific~~ molar specific heat capacity (c) of the substance.

$$c = \frac{S}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta T}$$

molar specific heat capacity is denoted by c , where n is the number of moles of the substance.

* c is independent on amount of substance.

* c depends on the nature of the substance, its temperature and the conditions under which heat is supplied.

* unit of c is J/mol/K .

Molar specific heat capacity of solids:

consider a solid of N_A -atoms, each vibrating about its mean position. (N_A = Avogadro's Number = 1 mole)

An oscillator in one dimension has ~~average~~ average energy of $2 \times \frac{1}{2} k_B T = k_B T$, since vibrational mode has both kinetic and potential energy modes.

In 3D, the average energy is $3 \times k_B T = 3k_B T$.

For a solid of ^{1 mole, i.e.} N_A atoms, total energy is: $3k_B T \times N$

$$\therefore U = 3Nk_B T = 3RT \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\text{where, } R = k_B \times N$$

= universal Gas constant.

From 1st law of thermodynamics,

$$\Delta Q = \Delta U + P\Delta V \rightarrow (2)$$

Now, for a solid, change in volume is negligible, i.e. $\Delta V = 0$.

$$\therefore \Delta Q = \Delta U + P \times 0 = \Delta U \rightarrow (3)$$

Now,

$$C = \frac{1}{\mu} \cdot \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta T} \rightarrow (4)$$

$$\text{Since, } \mu = 1 \text{ mole, } \Delta Q = \Delta U$$

$$\therefore C = \frac{1}{1} \left(\frac{\Delta U}{\Delta T} \right) \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} U = 3RT \\ \Rightarrow \Delta U = 3R\Delta T \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \frac{3R\Delta T}{\Delta T} = 3R$$

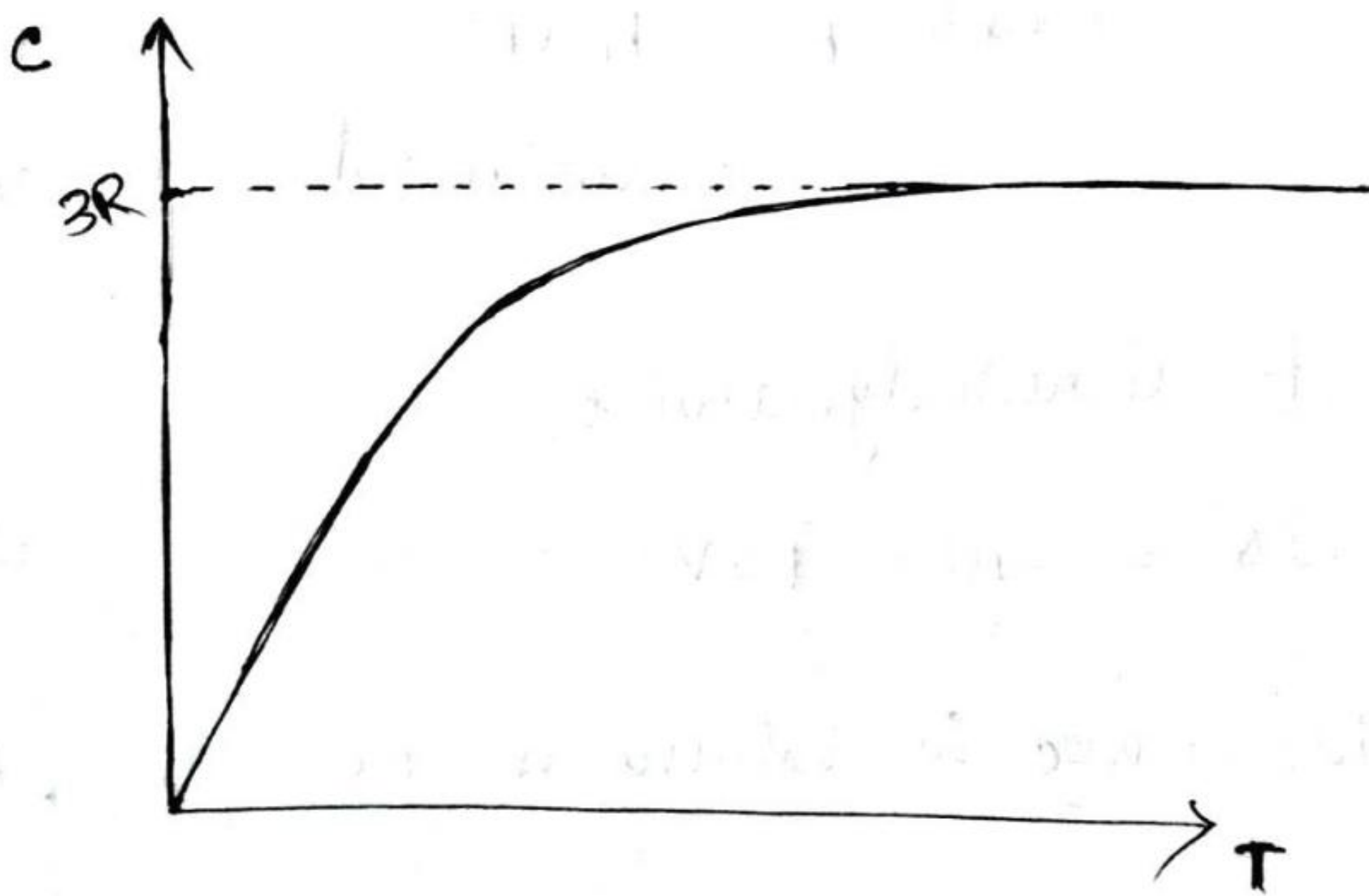
$$\Rightarrow C = 3R \rightarrow \textcircled{5}$$

Break down at low temperature:

The experimentally measured values of molar specific heat capacity generally agrees with predicted value $3R$ at ordinary temperatures. (Carbon is an exception).

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This agreement is known as break down at low temp.



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