## Answer on Question #49788 - Chemistry – Other

## Question

Calculate the boiling point and freezing point of a 20% aqueous sucrose  $C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$  (MM=342) solution.

## Answer:

The boiling point elevation is proportional to the molality of the solute particles:

$$\Delta T_{\rm b} = K_{\rm b} m$$

 $\Delta T_b$  = the amount by which the boiling point is raised, m = molality (moles solute particles per kg of solution),  $K_b$  = molal boiling-point elevation constant (solvent dependent), for water  $K_b$  = 0.512 °C $m^{-1}$ . Boiling Point of solution = normal boiling point of solvent +  $\Delta T_b$ . The freezing point depression is proportional to the molality of the solute particles:

$$\Delta T_f = -K_f m$$

 $\Delta T_f$  = the amount by which the freezing point is lowered, m = molality (moles solute particles per kg of solution), K<sub>f</sub> = molal freezing-point depression constant (solvent dependent), for water K<sub>f</sub> = 1.855 °C $m^{-1}$ 

Freezing Point of solution = normal freezing point of solvent +  $\Delta T_f$ 

Assume we have 100 g of 20% aqueous sucrose  $C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$  solution, then the mass of sucrose is 20 g and the mass of water is 80 g. Molality of this solution is:

$$m = \frac{m(sucrose)}{M(sucrose)m(water)} = \frac{20}{342 \cdot 80} = 0.000731 \ mol/g = 0.731 \ mol/kg$$

The boiling point elevation is:

$$\Delta T_{\rm b} = 0.512 \cdot 0.731 = 0.374$$

Boiling Point of solution = normal boiling point of solvent +  $\Delta T_b$  = 100.0 + 0.374 = 100.374

°C

The freezing point depression is:

$$\Delta T_{\rm f} = -1.855 \cdot 0.731 = -1.356$$

Freezing Point of solution = normal freezing point of solvent +  $\Delta T_f = 0.0 + (-1.356) = -1.356$ 

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**Answer**: T<sub>b</sub> = 100.374 °C, T<sub>f</sub> = -1.356 °C.

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