

Answer on Question #42740, Physics, Molecular Physics — Thermodynamics

During an experiment an ideal gas is found to obey an additional law $PV^2 = \text{constant}$. The gas is initially at temperature T and volume V , when it expands to volume $2V$, the resulting temperature is (1) $T/2$ (2) $2T$ (3) $2^{1/2}T$ (4) $T/2^{1/2}$

Solution

For any ideal gas we have

$$\frac{pV}{T} = \text{const}$$

From $pV^2 = \text{const}$ we can conclude that

$$TV = \text{const}$$

Hence, when new volume will be $2V$, new temperature will be $T/2$