

Answer on Question #79452 - Physics - Molecular Physics, Thermodynamics

How much heat is needed to turn the 1 kg of ice at  $-4^{\circ}\text{C}$  into vapor at  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$ ?

**Solution.**

The necessary constants:

Specific heat capacity of ice  $c_{\text{ice}} = 2.09 \text{ kJ}/(\text{kg } ^{\circ}\text{C})$

([https://www.engineeringtoolbox.com/specific-heat-solids-d\\_154.html](https://www.engineeringtoolbox.com/specific-heat-solids-d_154.html))

Specific heat capacity of water  $c_{\text{water}} = 4.19 \text{ kJ}/(\text{kg } ^{\circ}\text{C})$

([https://www.engineeringtoolbox.com/specific-heat-fluids-d\\_151.html](https://www.engineeringtoolbox.com/specific-heat-fluids-d_151.html))

Latent heat of fusion of water  $\lambda_{\text{water}} = 334 \text{ kJ}/\text{kg} = 334 \text{ kJ}/\text{kg}$

Latent heat of vaporization of water  $L_{\text{water}} = 2264 \text{ kJ}/\text{kg}$

([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Latent\\_heat](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Latent_heat))

The process consists of four stages:

1. Heating of ice to its melting point ( $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).
2. Ice melting (the temperature remains constant until all of the ice turns to water).
3. Heating of water to its boiling temperature ( $100^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).
4. Vaporization of water at a constant temperature.

The energy required to heat the ice of mass  $m = 1 \text{ kg}$  from  $t_1 = -4^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $t_2 = 0^{\circ}\text{C}$ :

$$Q_1 = c_{\text{ice}}m(t_2 - t_1) = 2.09 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg } ^{\circ}\text{C}} \times 1 \text{ kg} \times 4^{\circ}\text{C} = 8.36 \text{ kJ}$$

The amount of heat needed to melt the ice:

$$Q_2 = \lambda_{\text{water}}m = 334 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}} \times 1 \text{ kg} = 334 \text{ kJ}$$

The energy that is necessary to heat water from  $t_2 = 0^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $t_3 = 100^{\circ}\text{C}$ :

$$Q_3 = c_{\text{water}}m(t_3 - t_2) = 4.19 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg } ^{\circ}\text{C}} \times 1 \text{ kg} \times 100^{\circ}\text{C} = 419 \text{ kJ}$$

The heat required to turn all the water into vapor:

$$Q_4 = L_{\text{water}}m = 2264 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}} \times 1 \text{ kg} = 2264 \text{ kJ}$$

The total heat needed to turn 1 kg of ice at  $-4^{\circ}\text{C}$  into vapor at  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$ :

$$Q = Q_1 + Q_2 + Q_3 + Q_4 = (8.36 + 334 + 419 + 2264)\text{kJ} = 3025.36 \text{ kJ} = 3025.36 \times 10^3 \text{ J}$$

**Answer:**  $Q = 3025.36 \text{ kJ}$ .

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