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Day-I (H) - Solution Topics - Colligative Properties (C.P.)

Colligative Properties - The properties of dilute solutions of non-volatile solute whose value depends upon number of solute particles/concentration of solute particles but not upon the individual identity of solute (nature of solute) are called Colligative properties.

Various Colligative Properties:-

- (1) Relative lowering of vapour pressure
- (2) Elevation of boiling point
- (3) Depression of freezing point
- (4) Osmotic Pressure

Relative lowering of V.P.

As we know, when a non-volatile solute solid is added to the solvent its vapour pressure of solution decreases.

Let x_A be the mole fraction of solvent & x_B the mole fraction of solute.

Solute is non-volatile it has no contribution of solute particles towards vapour pressure.

of solution. Therefore V.P of solution P_s will be equal to the V.P of solvent (P_0) over the solution.

V.P of solution = P_s

V.P of solvent = P_0

Thus lowering in V.P = $P_0 - P_s$

Relative lowering of V.P = $\frac{P_0 - P_s}{P_0}$

X_A = mole fraction of solvent

X_B = mole fraction of solute

Raoult's law of relative lowering of Vapour Pressure.

According to Raoult's law

The relative lowering of V.P is directly proportional to the mole fraction of solute in a solution containing non-volatile solute at constant Temp.

$$\text{Thus } \frac{\Delta P}{P_0} = X_B$$

$$\therefore \frac{P_0 - P_s}{P_0} = \frac{n_B}{n_A + n_B}$$

$$\because n_A \gg n_B$$

$$\text{Thus } \frac{P_0 - P_s}{P_0} = \frac{n_B}{n_A}$$

$$\frac{P_0 - P_s}{P_0} = \frac{W_B / M_B}{W_A / M_A}$$

$$\frac{P_0 - P_s}{P_0} = \frac{W_B \times M_A}{W_A \times M_B}$$

We know that

$$X_A + X_B = 1$$

$$X_A = \frac{W_A}{M_A}, X_B = \frac{W_B}{M_B}$$

W_A = wt of solvent

W_B = wt of solute

M_A = mol wt of solvent

M_B = mol wt of solute

n_A = mol of solvent

n_B = mol of solute

Determination of Molar Mass of a Solute from Relative lowering of Vapour Pressure.

molar mass of solute (M_B) can be calculated by using Relative lowering of Vapour Pressure.

$$\text{we see that, } \frac{P_0 - P_s}{P_0} = \frac{w_B \times M_A}{w_A \times M_B}$$

$$\therefore M_B = \frac{w_B \times M_A}{w_A \times \left(\frac{P_0 - P_s}{P_0} \right)}$$

Alternative derivation of Relative lowering of V.P. from Raoult's law.

$$\frac{P_0 - P_s}{P_0} = \frac{n_B}{n_A + n_B}$$

After Rearranging, we get

$$\frac{P_0}{P_0 - P_s} = \frac{n_A + n_B}{n_B}$$

$$\therefore \frac{P_0}{P_0 - P_s} = 1 + \frac{n_A}{n_B} = \frac{n_A}{n_B} + 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{P_0 - P_0 + P_s}{P_0 - P_s} = \frac{n_B}{n_A}$$

$$\frac{P_s}{P_0 - P_s} = \frac{n_A}{n_B}$$

or By Raoult's Law

$$\frac{P_0 - P_s}{P_s} = \frac{n_B}{n_A}$$

$$V_1 \left[\frac{P_0 - P_s}{P_s} = \frac{W_B}{W_A} \times \frac{M_A}{M_B} \right]$$

Numerical Problem:-

① A solution is made by mixing 32 gm Methanol & 23 gm ethanol at 30°C. Calculate the partial vapour pressure of both the constituents & Total vapour pressure of the solution.

given $P_{CH_3OH}^0 = 90 \text{ mm}$, $P_{C_2H_5OH}^0 = 51 \text{ mm}$

Solution:-

$$\text{Moles of Methanol} = \frac{32}{\left(\frac{W}{M} \right)} = \frac{32}{32} = 1$$

$$\text{moles of ethanol} = \frac{23}{46} = 0.5$$

$$\text{Total moles of solution} = 1.5$$

$$P_{CH_3OH} = P_{CH_3OH}^0 \times X_{CH_3OH}$$

$$= 90 \times \frac{1}{1.5}$$

$$= 60 \text{ mm}$$

$$P_{C_2H_5OH} = P_{C_2H_5OH}^0 \times X_{C_2H_5OH}$$

$$= 51 \times \frac{0.5}{1.5} = 17 \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{Thus, } P_{\text{Total}} = 60 + 17 = 77 \text{ mm}$$