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## Quiz 1 for Physics 176

Professor Greenside Friday, January 16, 2009

This quiz is closed book. Please

- 1. Write your answers on separate pages of blank paper that will be handed out. Do not write your answers on this exam, there will not be enough room to do so.
- 2. Write your name and the problem number on each page of paper that you use.
- 3. Justify each answer briefly, with appropriate calculations, sketches, phrases, or sentences.

The following formulas and data may be useful:

$$PV = NkT$$
, absolute zero =  $-273^{\circ}$ C,  $\kappa_{\text{He}} \approx 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ 

- 1. A spherical helium-filled balloon one meter in diameter is inside an airplane, for which the pressure is 1 atm and the temperature is  $27^{\circ}$ C. The airplane is flying 6 km above the ground for which the surrounding air has a pressure and temperature of 0.5 atm and  $-3^{\circ}$ C respectively. The balloon is then ejected instantly from the airplane, after which it eventually reaches thermodynamic equilibrium at the height of the airplane.
  - (a) (3 points) Immediately after the balloon has reached its new size, will the temperature in the balloon be closer to 27°C or to −3°C?
  - (b) (5 points) By what numerical factor will the volume of the balloon have changed after the balloon reaches thermodynamic equilibrium outside the airplane? (Ignore the elastic properties of the balloon.)
- 2. (5 points) Find the value of the following triple integral in terms of  $\pi$  and some ratio of integers.

$$\int_0^{\pi} dx \int_0^{\pi} dy \int_0^{\pi} dz \, y^2 \sin(z) \,. \tag{1}$$

Hint: If you first think about this problem conceptually, you should be able to deduce the answer quickly without evaluating any integrals.

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3. (5 points) If the following Mathematica code is executed:

what is the value of the variable y?

4. (5 points) A pot of water is brought to a steady boil on a stove and then a thin plastic cup of room temperature water is suspended in the middle of the boiling water as shown in the figure below.



Explain whether or not the water in the cup will start to boil if you wait long enough.

Note: In thinking about this problem, keep in mind that it takes energy to convert water to steam.