

Answer on Question #73223 – Chemistry – General Chemistry

Ethylene glycol, $C_2H_6O_2$, is more commonly known as antifreeze. What molality of an aqueous solution of ethylene glycol is needed for the freezing point to be $-12.7\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ at a pressure of exactly 1 atm? Correct number of sig figs.

Solution:

$$\Delta T_{\text{freezing}} = K_f \times C_m$$

ΔT = freezing point elevation

$$\Delta T = T_{\text{final}} - T_{\text{initial}} = -12.7 - 0 = -12.7\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$$

K_f – cryoscopic constant, $K_f(\text{H}_2\text{O}) = -1.86\text{ }^\circ\text{C kg/mole}$

$$\text{Molality } C_m = \Delta T_{\text{freezing}} / K_f = -12.7 / -1.86 = 6.83\text{ moles/kg}$$

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