

Chapter 11

Question 11.2

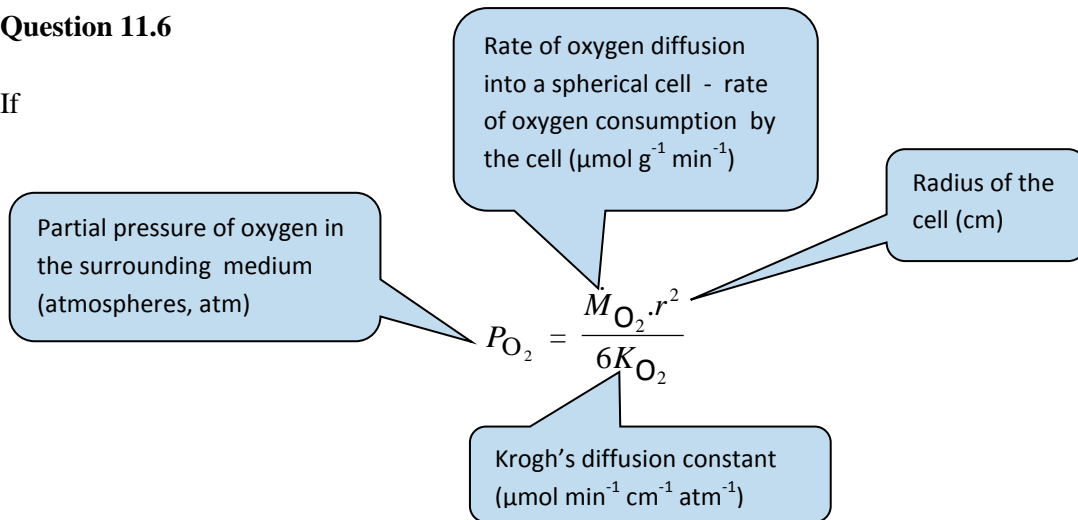
Standard temperature and pressure (STP) = 273 K and 101.3 kPa, respectively.

So at STP, the volume of the oxygen consumed by the fish would be: $51 \text{ mL} \times \frac{273}{288} \times \frac{101.3}{99} = 49.5 \text{ mL}$.

As 1 mmol of a gas occupies 22.4 mL, $49.5 \text{ mL} = \frac{49.5}{22.4} = 2.21 \text{ mmol O}_2$

Question 11.6

If



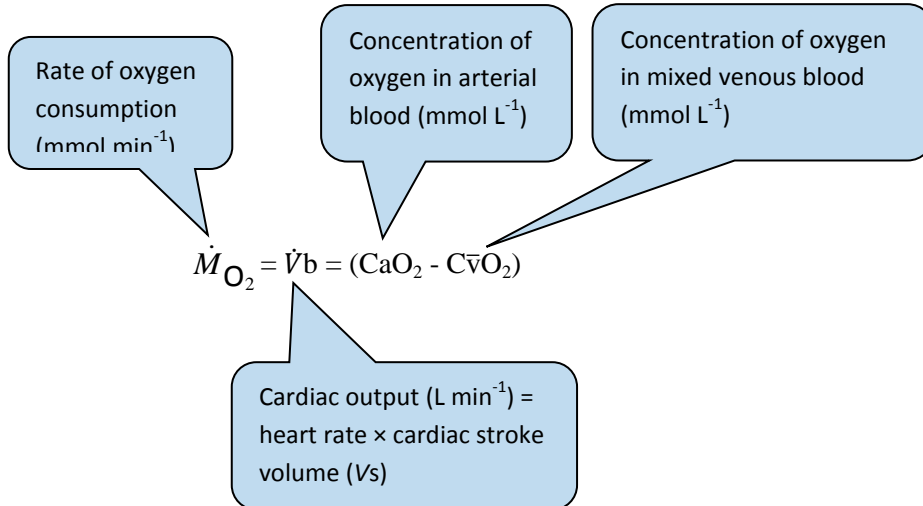
Partial pressure at the centre of the organism is 0 kPa, and $P_{O_2} = \frac{20.95}{101.3} \text{ atm} = 0.207 \text{ atm}$

$$r^2 = \frac{6K_{O_2}}{\dot{M}_{O_2}} P_{O_2} \text{ and } r = \sqrt{\frac{6K_{O_2}}{\dot{M}_{O_2}} P_{O_2}}$$

which means that $r = \sqrt{\frac{6 \times 0.000638 \times 207}{0.05}} = 0.126 \text{ cm}$ and the **diameter is 0.25 cm**

Question 11.7

If



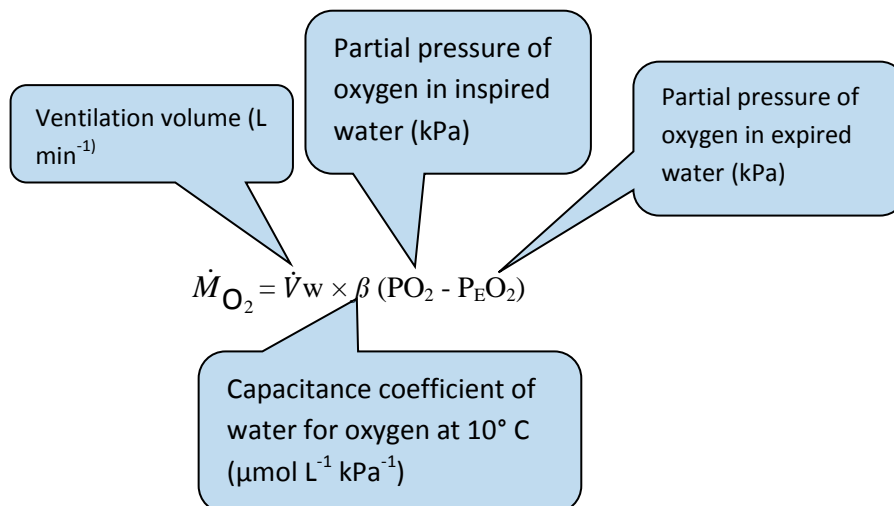
$$\dot{V}b = \frac{\dot{M}_{O_2}}{CaO_2 - C\bar{v}O_2}$$

$$\dot{M}_{O_2} = 234 \mu\text{mol min}^{-1} = 0.234 \text{ mmol min}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \dot{V}b = \frac{0.234}{3.7} = 0.0632 \text{ L min}^{-1} = \mathbf{63.2 \text{ mL min}^{-1}}$$

$$\text{Cardiac stroke volume} = \frac{63.2}{51} = \mathbf{1.24 \text{ mL}}$$

Question 11.8



**Butler, Brown, Stephenson & Speakman, *Animal Physiology*
Solutions to numerical exercises**

The concentration of oxygen in the water = $\beta \times P_{\text{I}O_2}$

Therefore, $\frac{\dot{M}_{O_2}}{\dot{V}_W} = (\beta P_{\text{I}O_2} - \beta P_{\text{E}O_2})$, and $\beta P_{\text{E}O_2} = \beta P_{\text{I}O_2} - \frac{\dot{M}_{O_2}}{\dot{V}_W}$

$$\beta P_{\text{I}O_2} = 16.8 \times 20.2 = 339.4 \mu\text{mol L}^{-1} \text{ and } \frac{\dot{M}_{O_2}}{\dot{V}_W} = \frac{234}{2.04} = 114.7 \mu\text{mol L}^{-1},$$

thus $\beta P_{\text{E}O_2} = 339.4 - 114.7 = 224.7 \mu\text{mol L}^{-1}$ and

$$P_{\text{E}O_2} = \frac{224.7}{16.8} = \mathbf{13.4 \text{ kPa}}$$