

osmotic pressure, Π

Excess pressure required to maintain osmotic equilibrium between a solution and the pure solvent separated by a membrane permeable only to the solvent:

$$\Pi = -\frac{RT}{V_A} \ln a_A$$

where V_A , a_A are the partial molar volume and activity of solvent A for an incompressible fluid. For ideal dilute solutions, $\Pi = c_B RT = \rho_B \frac{RT}{M_B}$, where entities B are individually moving solute molecules, ions, etc., regardless of their nature, c_B , ρ_B are the amount and mass concentration of the solutes, and M_B is the mass average molar mass of the solutes. The amount is sometimes expressed in osmol (meaning a mole of osmotically active entities), but this usage and the corresponding term osmolarity are discouraged.

Source:

Green Book, 2nd ed., p. 51

Green Book, 3rd ed., p. 59