

Chapter 5: Gases

Gases: fluid or rigid?

compressible or incompressible?

Pressure: force per unit area

$$= \frac{F}{A}$$

Units of pressure:

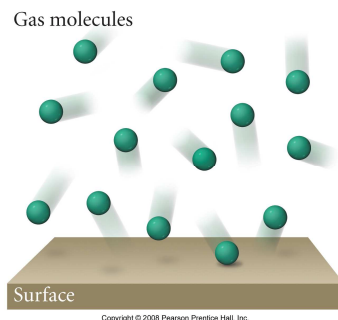
atmosphere (atm): 1 atm = average atmospheric pressure at sea level

millimeters mercury (mmHg): 1 atm = 760 mmHg

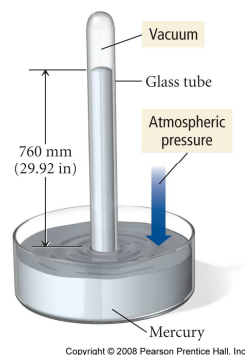
1 mmHg = 1 torr

pascal (Pa): SI unit of pressure

1 atm = 101,325 Pa



The Mercury Barometer

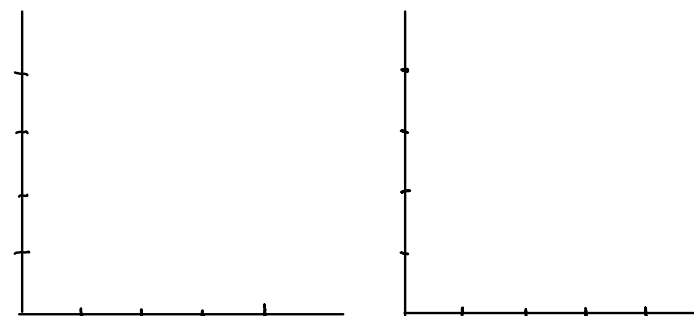
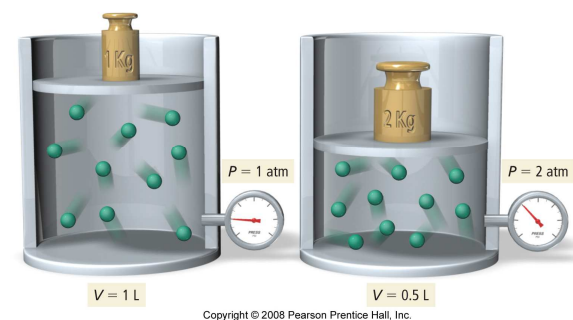


Simple gas laws

Simple gas laws (sometimes called empirical gas laws): relationships between pressure (P), volume (V), absolute temperature (T), and amount in moles (n)

Boyle's Law: relationship of P and V , and the compressibility of gases

Volume versus Pressure: A Molecular View



Boyle's law:

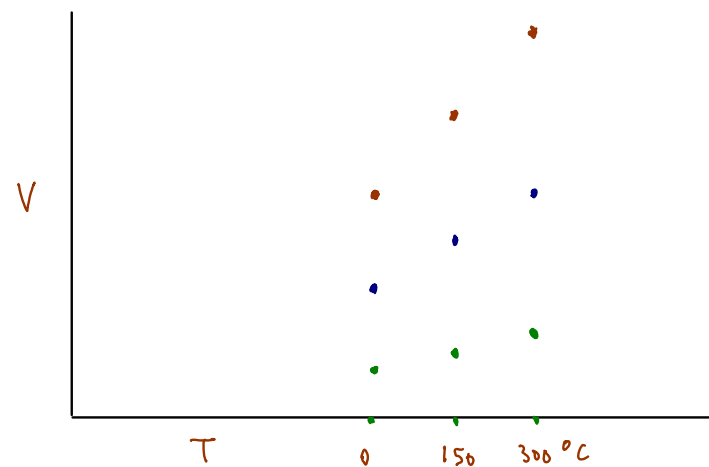
Boyle's law

$$V = \text{constant} \times \frac{1}{P}$$

6.2 L air at 760 mmHg is compressed to 4.4 L. What is the new pressure (assuming constant temperature)?

Charles's Law

Charles's Law relates V and T for a fixed amount of gas



Charles's law:

A balloon has a volume of 1.0 L at 298 K. What is its volume at 77.4 K?

Avogadro's Law

Avogadro's law relates amount (in mol) with volume, assuming constant temperature and pressure

Avogadro's law:

Ideal Gas Law

Boyle's law:

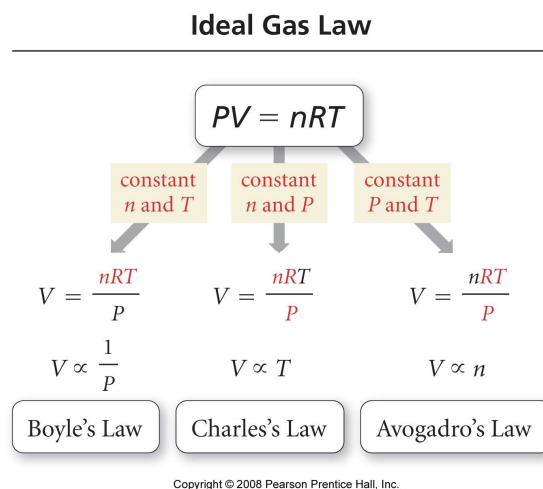
Charles's law:

Avogadro's law:

Combined:

$$R = 0.08206 \frac{\text{L} \cdot \text{atm}}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}}$$

Ideal gas law:



Ideal gas law problem

A 438 L gas cylinder contains 0.885 kg $\text{O}_2(g)$ at 21.0 °C.
What is the pressure (in atm and mmHg) inside this container?

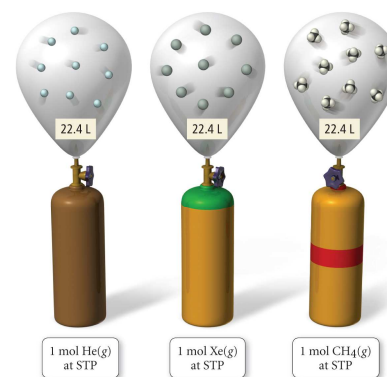
Molar volume at STP

Standard temperature and pressure (STP):

- $T = 0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} = 273\text{ K}$
- $P = 1.00\text{ atm}$

At STP, solve $PV = nRT$ for V and for $n = 1.00\text{ mol}$:

$V = 22.4\text{ L}$ for 1.00 mol of any gas at STP.



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Density of a gas

$$d = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{volume}} = \frac{\text{molar mass}}{\text{molar volume}}$$

What is the density of oxygen gas at STP?

At other pressures or temperatures...

$$n =$$

What is the density of $\text{O}_2(g)$ at 125 °C and 740 mmHg?

Molar mass of a gas

Given: mass, volume, pressure, temperature

Calculate: molar mass (g/mol)

$$PM_m = dRT \quad M_m = \frac{dRT}{P}$$

Calculate the molar mass of a gas sample with mass of 0.582 g, volume of 213 mL, pressure of 754 mmHg, and temperature of 100.0 °C.

Mixtures of gases

Gas molecules act independently!

For any mixture of gases, the total pressure is the sum of the pressures that each gas exerts (partial pressures)

$$P_{\text{total}} = P_a + P_b + P_c + \dots \text{ (Dalton's law of partial pressures)}$$

$$\text{Mole fraction} = \frac{n_a}{n_{\text{total}}} = \chi_a$$

In one container with constant V and T ,

$$\frac{n_a}{n_{\text{total}}} = \frac{P_a}{P_{\text{total}}} = \chi_a \quad P_a = \chi_a P_{\text{total}}$$

Air is 78% nitrogen by volume. What is the partial pressure of nitrogen if the atmospheric pressure is 755 mmHg that day?

Mole fraction and partial pressure

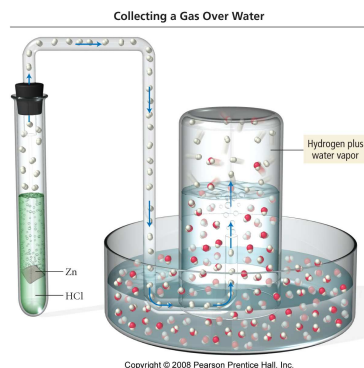
A mixture of 5 g H_2 , 8 g N_2 , and 10 g O_2 has a total pressure of 7 atm. What is P_{H_2} , P_{N_2} , and P_{O_2} ?

Collecting a gas over water

Partial pressures work in the ideal gas law too...

$$P_a V = n_a R T \text{ for one gas (a) in a mixture of gases}$$

Collection of a gas over water



When H_2 is produced by the reaction, the gas collected is a mixture of H_2 and water vapor.

Vapor pressure of water:

max P_{H_2O} when a gas is saturated with water vapor

T P_{H_2O} (mmHg)

20 °C 17.55

23 °C 21.10

25 °C 23.78

$$P_{\text{total}} = P_{H_2O} + P_{H_2}$$

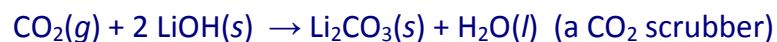
Collecting gases over water

If you collect 19.0 mL of gas over water from a reaction that produces $H_2(g)$, how many moles of hydrogen gas were collected? Atmospheric pressure = 760 mmHg, $T = 23\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

Stoichiometry and gas laws

With known P , V , and T , you can calculate...

From a balanced chemical equation you can construct a...



How many L of CO_2 (at 1 atm and 293 K) can be removed by 10.0 g LiOH?

On your own, how many kg LiOH are necessary to remove the CO_2 produced by 2 men for 2 days? (Assume 12 breaths per minute, 0.50 L air per breath, 5.0% of exhaled air's volume is CO_2)

Kinetic molecular theory

Simplest model for behavior of gases:

- Gases made of particles (atoms/molecules) with nearly negligible volumes (mostly empty space)
- Average kinetic energy is proportional to absolute temperature
- Particles fly in a straight line until they collide with another particle or wall of container
- Collisions are completely elastic (energy is exchanged, not lost)

Boyle's law

Charles's law

Avogadro's law

Dalton's law

Temperature and velocity

Average molecular velocity (u_{RMS})
(root mean square is a type of average)

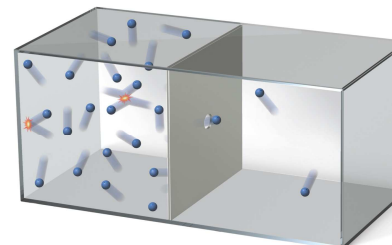
What is the root mean square velocity of nitrogen molecules at 298 K?

Be very careful of units in these calculations!!

$R = 8.314 \text{ (kg} \cdot \text{m}^2\text{)/(s}^2 \cdot \text{K} \cdot \text{mol)}$ (This is R in SI units)

Effusion and diffusion

Effusion: escape of gas through a pinhole into a vacuum



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Diffusion: gas spreading in a container or mixing with other gases

Both are related to molar mass of gas

Effusion/diffusion rate

Which balloon would shrink faster? One filled with He or N_2 ? By what ratio?

Real Gases, the Van der Waals Equation

The ideal gas law is accurate when:

- The volume of gas particles is small compared to the space between them
- The attractive forces between gas molecules are not significant

These assumptions are valid around STP, but they are not valid:

- **when the pressure is much higher than 1 atm.**
With higher pressure (several hundred atm), the molecules themselves take up a significant amount of the sample's volume. Ideal gas law predicts the molecules have **no** volume, so the actual volume will be:

To correct for this, V becomes:

- **when the temperature is much lower than 298 K.**
With low temperatures, the molecules begin to stick together more, reducing the number of collisions with the walls of the container. The actual pressure will be:

To correct for this, P becomes:

Van der Waals Equation: