

AP Chemistry – Gas Laws

4 Properties Used to Describe Gases

- Moles (n)** – quantity of a gas
- Temperature (Kelvin)** – Avg KE of molecules
think Boltzmann distribution
("Heat'em up, Speed'em up")
- Volume (Liters)** – amount of space occupied
- Pressure (atm)** – caused by collisions of gas molecules with side of container
(more collisions = more pressure)

Pressure Conversions

1 atm = 760 mm Hg = 101.3 kPa = 760 Torr
(to convert from one to the other multiply by ratio)
Ex. Convert 345 mm Hg to atm
 $345 \text{ mm Hg} = \frac{1 \text{ atm}}{760 \text{ mm Hg}} = 0.454 \text{ atm}$

Temperature Conversions

Most of your temps will be either Celsius or Kelvin

Most Likely
Celsius to Kelvin
 $^{\circ}\text{C} + 273 = \text{K}$

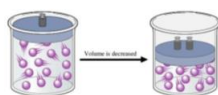
Less Likely
Fahrenheit to Celsius
 $^{\circ}\text{C} = (\text{F} - 32) \times \frac{5}{9}$

Kinetic Molecular Theory (KMT)

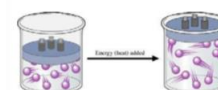
Assumptions of KMT:

- All particles in constant, random motion
 - All collisions are perfectly elastic
 - Volume of particles is negligible
 - Average KE of molecules is its temp in Kelvin
- It is also assumed that gas molecules have no IMFs
 - Remember gases are compressible and take the shape of the container

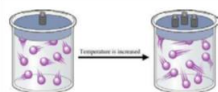
Be able to explain all 4 situations to the right →



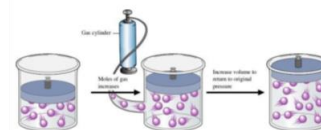
Pressure/Volume relationship
(Constant: Temp and moles)



Temp/Volume relationship
(Constant: Pressure and moles)



Pressure/Temperature relationship
(Constant: Volume and moles)

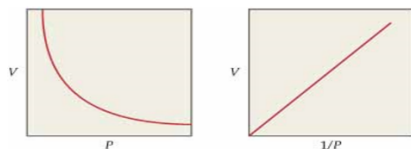


moles/Volume relationship
(Constant: Pressure and Temp)

Pressure and Volume Relationship (Boyles Law)

Pressure and Volume are INVERSELY RELATED

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$$



Taking the INVERSE of one of the variables
Will give you a linear relationship!

These are the only 2 variables (P/V) that are INVERSELY RELATED

As pressure goes up, volume goes down
(at constant T/n)

STP

Standard Temperature
and Pressure

1 atm
273 K

Pressure/Temperature Relationship

(Gay-Lussacs Law)

Pressure and Temperature
are DIRECTLY RELATED

$$\frac{P_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2}{T_2}$$

Moles/Volume Relationship

(Avagadro's Law)

Volume and number of moles
are DIRECTLY RELATED

$$\frac{V_1}{n_1} = \frac{V_2}{n_2}$$

Important because it tells us
that the same # of moles of 2
different gases will occupy
same volume!

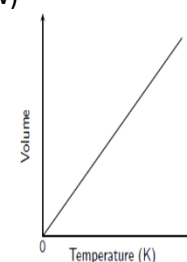
Volume/Temperature Relationship

(Charles Law)

Volume and Temperature (in Kelvin)
are DIRECTLY RELATED

$$\frac{V_1}{T_1} = \frac{V_2}{T_2}$$

If volume increases, temp will increase
(at constant P/n)



IDEAL GAS LAW (piv-nerT)

Used when gases are at NON-STANDARD CONDITIONS to relate P/T/n/V to each other

Trick alert: one hint to use piv-nerT is there will not be any before/after changes

You can also use PV=nRT to remember ALL of the gas laws above!

$$PV = nRT$$

As long as P is in atm
 $R = 0.0821 \frac{\text{L} \cdot \text{atm}}{\text{K} \cdot \text{mole}}$

Gas Stoichiometry

Gas stoichiometry simply combines $PV=nRT$ and stoichiometry

Scenario 1: START with gas at non-STP conditions
- start with $PV=nRT$ and solve for moles of gas
then use moles in stoich

Scenario 2: END with gas at non-STP conditions
- start with stoich and solve for moles of gas
then use moles in $PV=nRT$

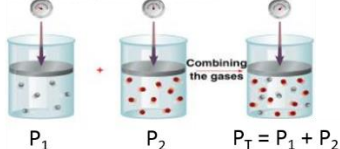
Start with gas... Start with $PV=nRT$

End with gas... End with $PV=nRT$

Trick alert: you might have to do both!

Dalton's Law of Partial Pressures

Volume and temperature are constant



All individual pressures ADD to total pressure

Dalton's Law:

$$P_T = P_1 + P_2 + \dots$$

Mole fractions can also be used to determine partial pressures

$$\text{Mole fraction} = \frac{n_1}{n_T}$$

$$P_1 = \left(\frac{n_1}{n_T}\right) \times P_T$$

Mole fractions represent percentage gas makes up of overall mixture (moles of gas directly related to pressure)

Densities of Gases

Density of a gas often used to determine the molar mass of the molecule

$$d = \text{density (g/L)}$$

$$MM = \frac{d R T}{P}$$

Memory trick: Molar Mass Kitty Cat

all good cats put dirt (dRT) over their Pee (P)



Dirt over P or

$$MM = \frac{d R T}{P}$$

Collecting and Measuring Gases (Water Displacement Method)

Water displacement is one of the most common methods of gas collection

Gas collected from rxn bubbles into container and pushes out water

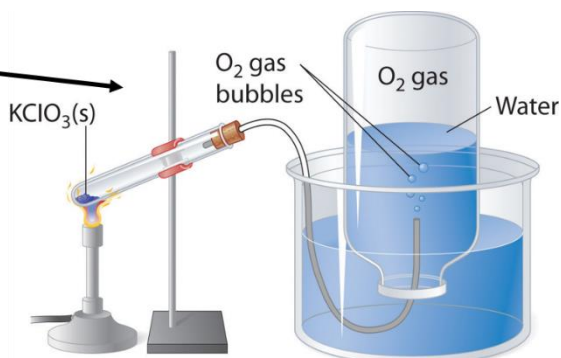


Amount of H_2O displaced can be used to get P_T

The partial pressure of water (P_{H_2O}) is known (and will be given) at all temperatures!

The trick is that...

$$P_T = P_{O_2} + P_{H_2O}$$



Molecular Speeds

Average Velocity:

Must take into account mass and temperature

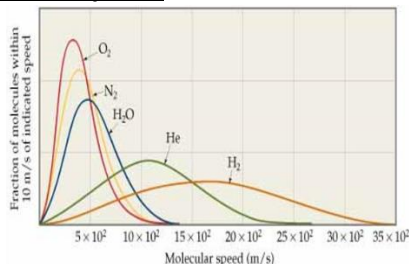
Called:

Root Mean Square Speed (rms)

$$v_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{MM}}$$

Speed of the molecule is inversely proportional to Molar Mass

Bigger moves slower!



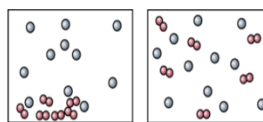
Moral of the story:

SMALLER molecules move FASTER (curve more flattened out)

Diffusion – Versus – Effusion

Diffusion

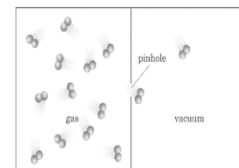
Diffusion describes mixing of gases (or the rate at which gases mix)



○ Air particles
● Bromine particles

Effusion

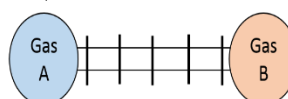
Effusion describes likelihood that molecule will pass through a small hole (rate at which a gas will fill an empty chamber)



Diffusion and effusion BOTH determined by speed of molecules!

The faster (or smaller) the molecules the faster the rate of each

Common experiment:



If gas A (MM= 18 g/mol) and gas B (MM=36 g/mol) released into tube, at what point will they react?