



ATMOS 5130

Lecture 3

Physical Properties of Air

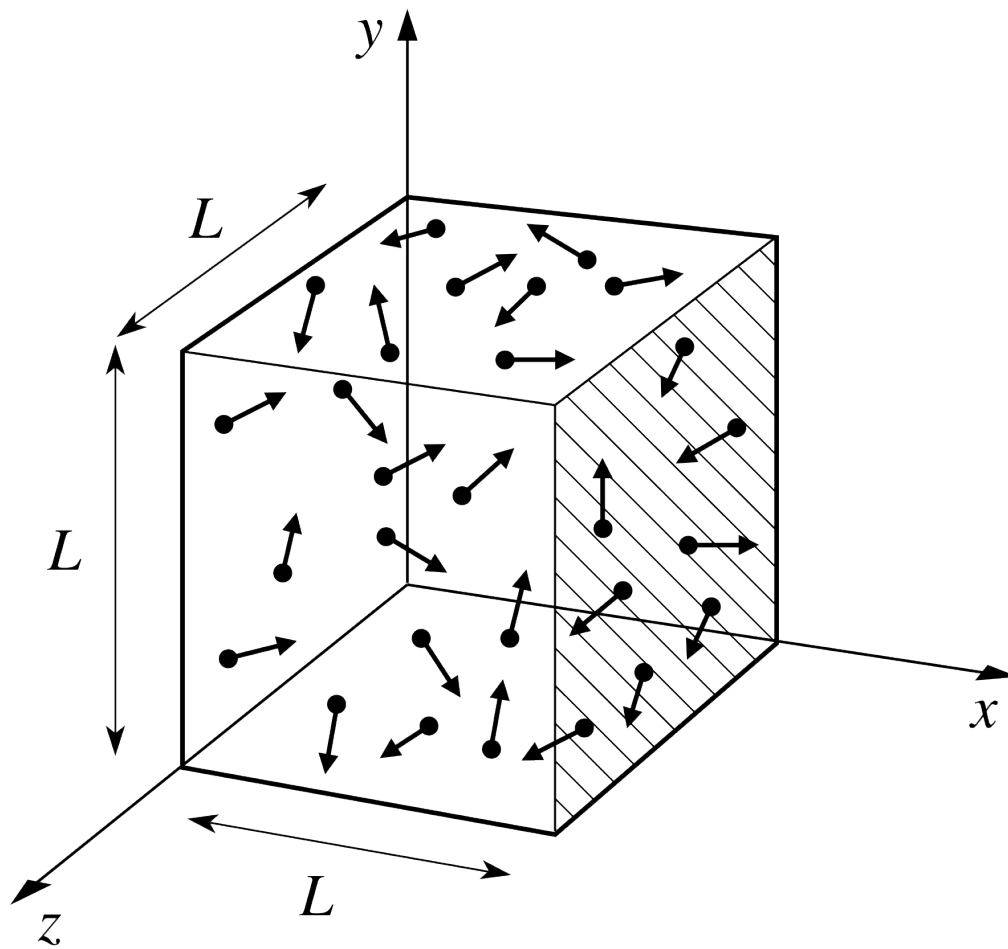
- Introduction to Kinetic Theory of Gases
- Boyle's Law
- Charles' Law
- Avogadro's Law
- Definition of a Mole and Molecular Weight
- Ideal Gas Law

Kinetic Theory of Gases

Study of the microscopic behavior of molecules and the interactions which lead to macroscopic relationships like the ideal gas law

Four basic postulates:

- **Gases are made up of molecules**
 - molecules as point masses that are perfect spheres.
 - Separation of molecules is large compared to molecular size
- **Molecules are in constant random motion**
 - With a distribution of speed that does not change.
- **The movement of molecules is governed by Newton's Laws:**
 - moves in a straight line at a steady velocity, not interacting with any of the other molecules except in a collision. Molecules exert equal and opposite forces on one another with collision.
- **Molecular collisions are perfectly elastic:**
 - Molecules do not lose any kinetic energy when they collide with one another.



CHAPTER 2: State vs. Process Variables

State Variables

Uniquely determined by the current state of the system

Properties of a system are at a point in time, not how it arrived at that state.

- Pressure
- Temperature
- Density

Process Variables

Associated with a process,

Exchange of energy between system and environment

e..g. heat energy (Q) added to air sample to bring it to current temp

CHAPTER 2: Extensive vs. Intensive Variables

Extensive Variables

Depends on the size of the sample or system
e.g. volume

Intensive Variables

Does not depend on the size of the sample or system
e.g. volume per mass

Chapter 3: Equation of State

For a homogeneous parcel of air, the state variables (intensive form) we will consider first are:

p = pressure

T = temperature

α = specific volume

ρ = density

$$\alpha \equiv \frac{1}{\rho}$$

Variable for all equations

V is the volume of gas

P is the pressure of gas

T is the temperature of gas

k is a constant

M = Mole

Boyle's Law

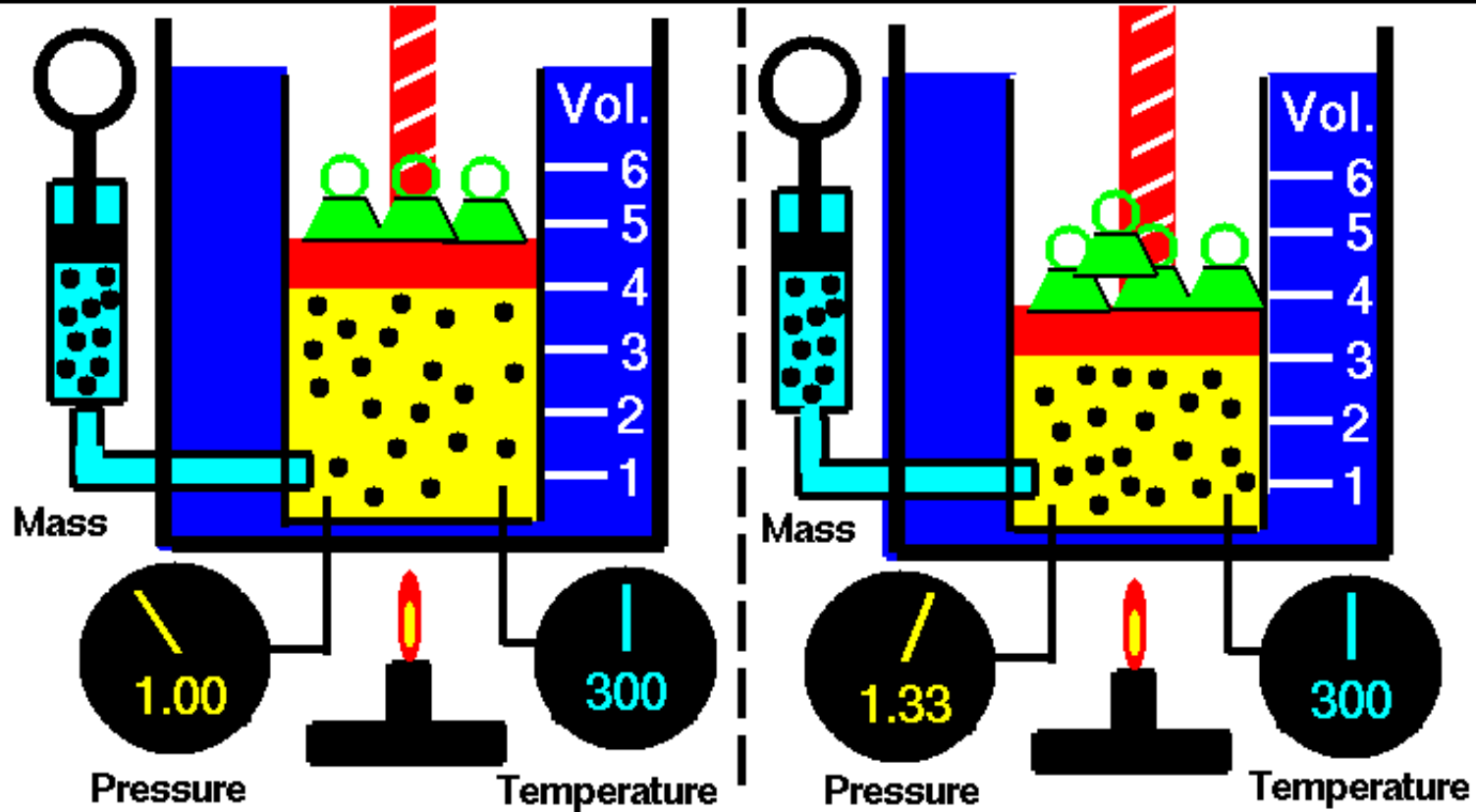
At constant temperature for a fixed mass, the absolute pressure and the volume of a gas are inversely proportional.

$$P \propto \frac{1}{V} \qquad PV = k$$



Boyle's Law

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For a given mass, at constant temperature, the pressure times the volume is a constant.

$$pV = C$$

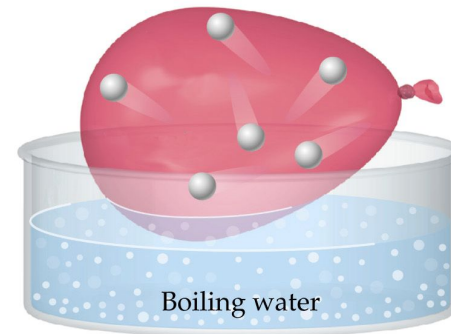
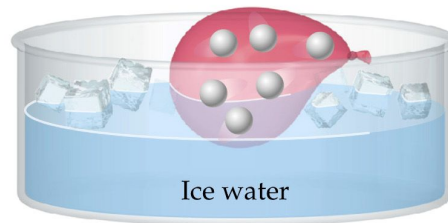
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Charles and Gay-Lussac's Law

(also known as the law of volumes) is an experimental gas law that describes how gases tend to expand when heated.

$$V \propto T$$

$$\frac{V}{T} = k$$



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

or

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

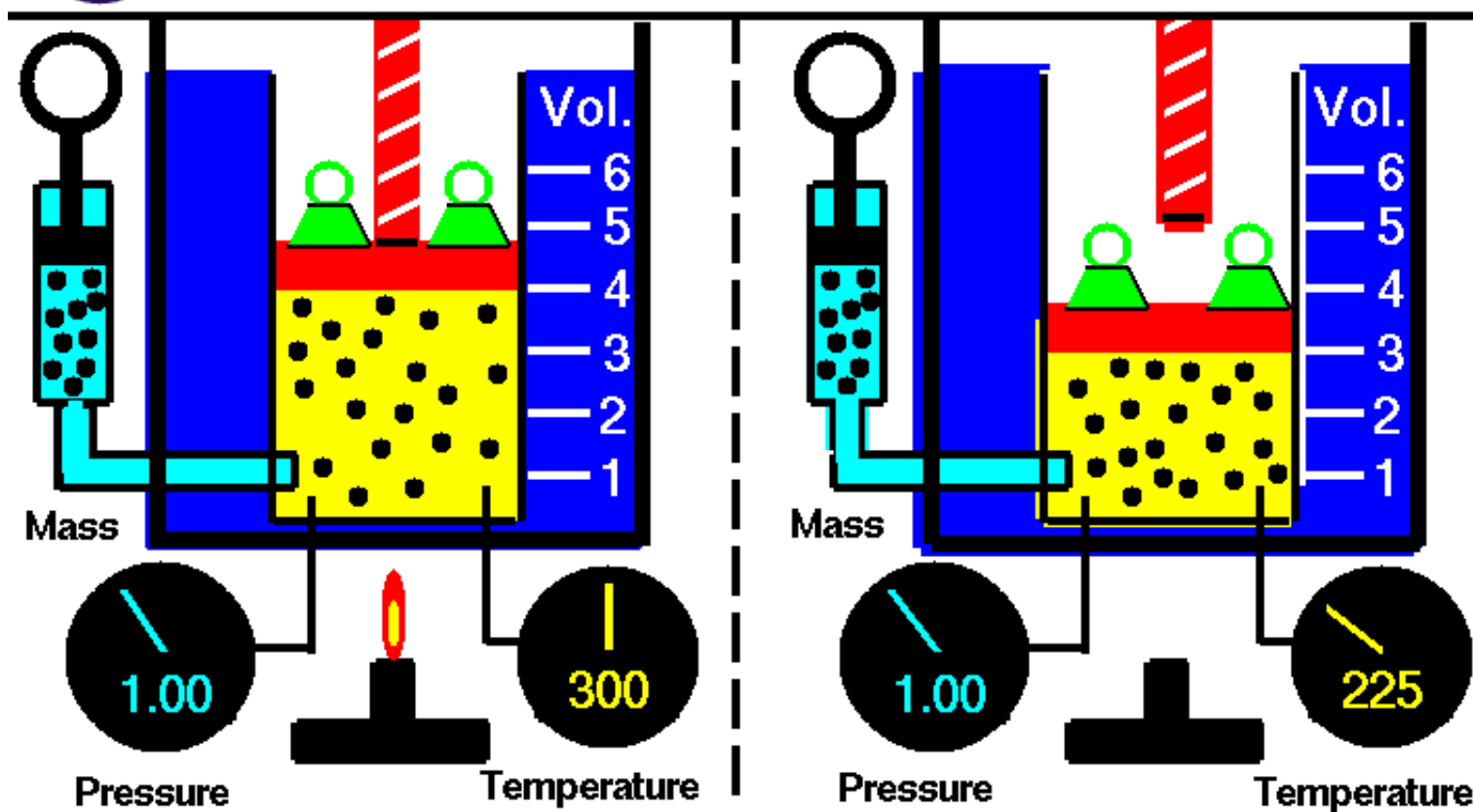
or

$$V_1 T_2 = V_2 T_1.$$



Charles and Gay-Lussac's Law

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For a given mass, at constant pressure, the volume is directly proportional to the temperature

$$V = CT$$

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Avogadro's Law

Equal volumes of all gases, at the same temperature and pressure, have the same number of molecules.

$$V \propto n \quad \frac{V}{n} = k$$

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



The balloons all have the same volume. This means they all contain the same number of molecules.




Definition of a mole (M)

Mole = $6.02214179 \times 10^{23}$,

One mole of an ideal gas at Standard Temperature and Pressure (STP) occupies 22.4 liters.

Standard temperature: $0^{\circ}\text{C} = 273.15\text{ K}$

Standard pressure = $1\text{ atm} = 1013\text{ hPa}$

			
Volume:	22.4 L	22.4 L	22.4 L
Pressure:	1 atm	1 atm	1 atm
Temperature:	273 K	273 K	273 K
Quantity:	1 mole	1 mole	1 mole
Mass:	40.0 g	32.0 g	28.0 g

Definition of a mole (M)

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Number of atoms found in 12 grams of Carbon-12.

Carbon-12 was chosen arbitrarily to serve as the reference standard of the mole unit for the International System of Units (SI).

The number of units in a mole also bears the name Avogadro's number, or Avogadro's constant.

Molecular Weight = mass of one mole of substance

Symbol

A one- or two-letter abbreviation derived from the element's English or Latin name.

Name

Element's common name.

Mass Number

The sum of the numbers of protons and neutrons in a specific isotope.

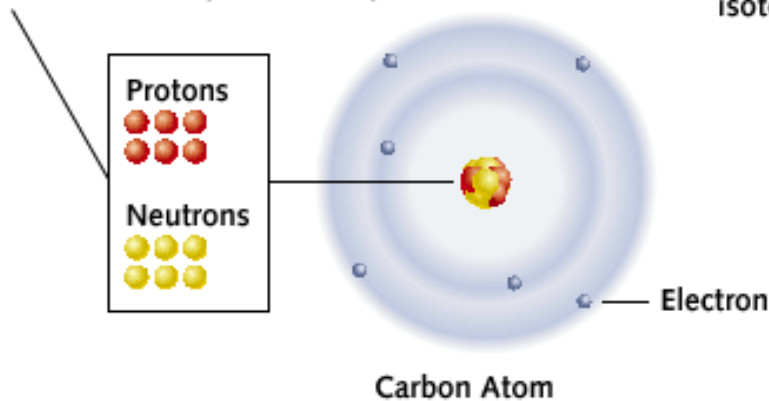
Atomic Number

Equal to the number of protons in the nucleus, as well as the number of electrons in the electron cloud.

Atomic Mass

Weighted average of the masses of all the element's isotopes. Rounding the atomic mass to the nearest whole number yields the mass number of the most common isotope.

6
C
Carbon
12.011



Periodic Table of Elements

Atomic Number → 7

Chemical Symbol → N

Chemical Name → NITROGEN

Atomic Weight → 14

NON-METALS

METALS

1 H HYDROGEN 1																	2 He HELIUM 4															
3 Li LITHIUM 7	4 Be BERYLLIUM 9																	5 B BORON 11	6 C CARBON 12	7 N NITROGEN 14	8 O OXYGEN 16	9 F FLUORINE 19	10 Ne NEON 20									
11 Na SODIUM 23	12 Mg MAGNESIUM 24																	13 Al ALUMINUM 27	14 Si SILICON 28	15 P PHOSPHORUS 31	16 S SULFUR 32	17 Cl CHLORINE 35	18 Ar ARGON 40									
19 K POTASSIUM 39	20 Ca CALCIUM 40	21 Sc SCANDIUM 45	22 Ti TITANIUM 48	23 V VANADIUM 51	24 Cr CHROMIUM 52	25 Mn MANGANESE 55	26 Fe IRON 56	27 Co COBALT 59	28 Ni NICKEL 59	29 Cu COPPER 64	30 Zn ZINC 65	31 Ga GALLIUM 70	32 Ge GERMANIUM 73	33 As ARSENIC 75	34 Se SELENIUM 79	35 Br BROMINE 80	36 Kr KRYPTON 84															
37 Rb RUBIDIUM 85	38 Sr STRONTIUM 88	39 Y YTRBIUM 89	40 Zr ZIRCONIUM 91	41 Nb NIOBIUM 93	42 Mo MOLYBDENUM 96	43 Tc TECHNETIUM 98	44 Ru RUTHENIUM 101	45 Rh RHODIUM 103	46 Pd PALLADIUM 106	47 Ag SILVER 108	48 Cd CADMIUM 112	49 In INDIUM 115	50 Sn TIN 119	51 Sb ANTIMONY 122	52 Te TELLURIUM 128	53 I IODINE 127	54 Xe XENON 131															
55 Cs CESIUM 133	56 Ba BARIUM 137																	72 Hf HAFNIUM 178	73 Ta TANTALUM 181	74 W TUNGSTEN 184	75 Re RHENIUM 186	76 Os OSMIUM 190	77 Ir IRIDIUM 192	78 Pt PLATINUM 195	79 Au GOLD 197	80 Hg MERCURY 201	81 Tl THALLIUM 204	82 Pb LEAD 207	83 Bi BISMUTH 209	84 Po POLONIUM 209	85 At ASTATINE 210	86 Rn RADON 222
87 Fr FRANCIUM 223	88 Ra RADIUM 226																	104 Rf RUFORGIUM 267	105 Db DUBNIUM 268	106 Sg SEABORGIUM 271	107 Bh BOHRIUM 272	108 Hs HASSIUM 277	109 Mt MITTELIUM 276	110 Ds DARMSTADTIUM 281	111 Rg ROENTGIUM 280	112 Cp COPERNICIUM 285	113 Uut UNUNTRIUM 284	114 Uuq UNUNQUADIUM 289	115 Uup UNUNPENTIUM 288	116 Uuh UNUNHEXIUM 291	117 Uus UNUNSEPTIUM 294	118 Uuo UNUNOCTIUM 294

KEY

- ☐ SOLID at room temp
- 💧 LIQUID at room temp
- ☁️ GAS at room temp
- ☢️ RADIOACTIVE
- 🧪 Artificially created

57 La LANTHANUM 139	58 Ce CERIUM 140	59 Pr PRASEODYMIUM 141	60 Nd NEODYMIUM 144	61 Pm PROMETHIUM 145	62 Sm SAMARIUM 150	63 Eu EUROPIUM 152	64 Gd GADOLINIUM 157	65 Tb TERBIUM 159	66 Dy DYSPROSIUM 163	67 Ho HOLMIUM 165	68 Er ERBIUM 167	69 Tm THULIUM 169	70 Yb YTTERIUM 173	71 Lu LUTETIUM 175
89 Ac ACTINIUM 227	90 Th THORIUM 232	91 Pa PROTACTINIUM 231	92 U URANIUM 238	93 Np NEPTUNIUM 237	94 Pu PLUTONIUM 244	95 Am AMERICIUM 243	96 Cm CURIUM 247	97 Bk BERKELIUM 247	98 Cf CALIFORNIUM 251	99 Es EINSTEINIUM 252	100 Fm FERMIUM 257	101 Md MENDELIUM 258	102 No NOBELIUM 259	103 Lr LAWRENCIUM 262

Element	Atomic Weight (g/mol)
Ba	137.327
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Use the data from the periodic table to answer the following questions.

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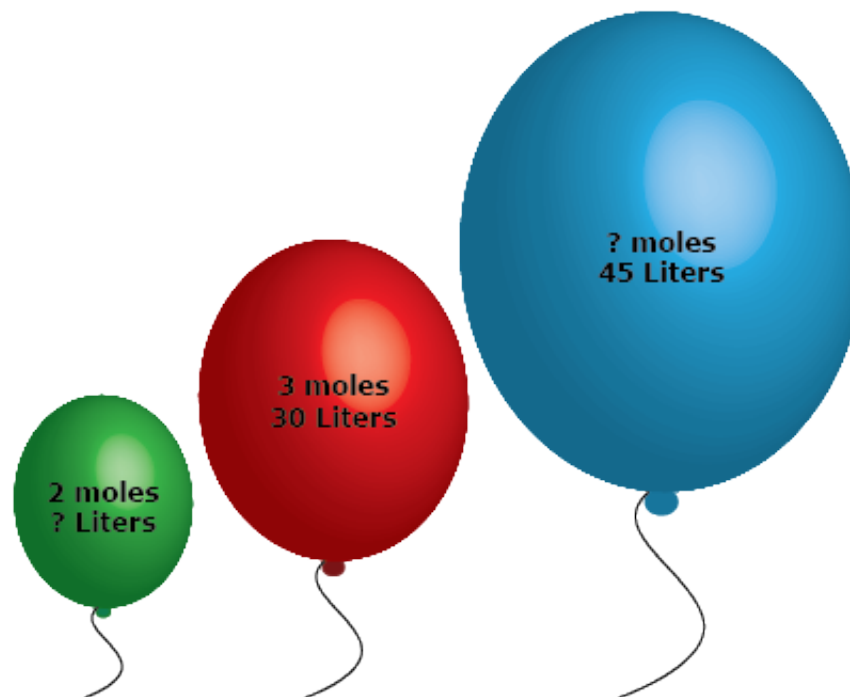
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Answer:

The molecular weight =

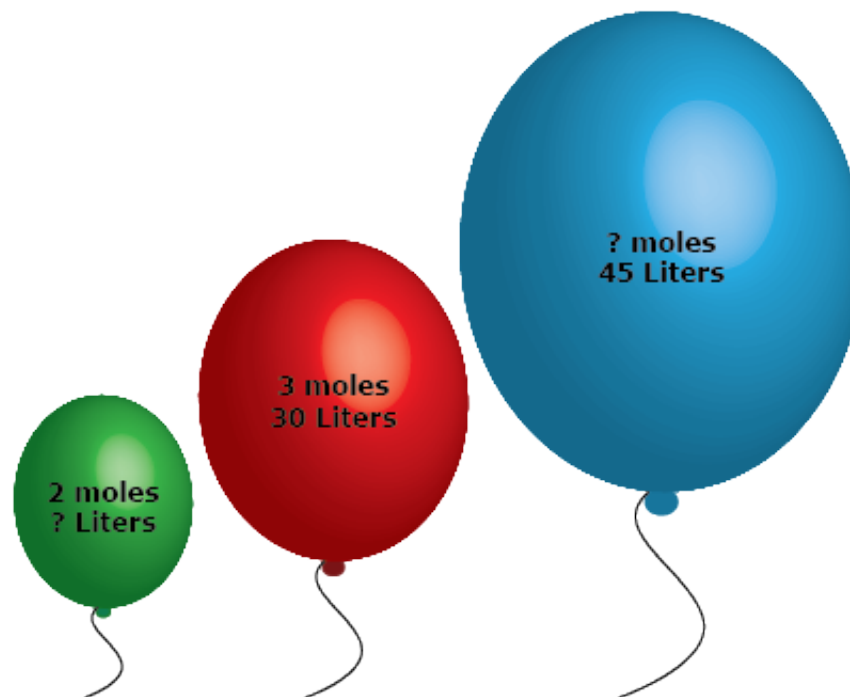
$$3(40.078) + 2(30.973761) + 8(15.9994) =$$

$$120.23 + 61.947522 + 127.9952 = \mathbf{310.18 \text{ g/mol.}}$$



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- a) One balloon contains 2 moles of gas. What is the volume of the balloon? **20 L**
- b) One balloon encloses a volume of 45 L. How many moles of gas are in the balloon? **4.5 moles**

Dalton's Law of Partial Pressures

Total pressure exerted by a mixture of gases is equal to the sum of the partial pressure that would be exerted by each constituent alone if it filled the entire volume at the temperature of the mixture.

$$p = \sum_{i=1}^k p_i$$



Oxygen



Pressure
159 mm Hg

+



Nitrogen

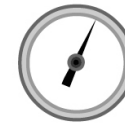


Pressure
593 mm Hg

=



Oxygen + Nitrogen



Pressure
752 mm Hg

Gas Constants

Average Translational Kinetic Energy of a molecule in an ideal gas is:

$$KE_{\text{avg}} = (3/2) k_B T \quad \text{PER MOLECULE}$$

$$Ke_{\text{avg}} = (3/2) RT \quad \text{PER MOLE}$$

$$R = N_A k_B$$

Where

N_A = Avogadro Constant

k_B = Boltzmann constant

$$k_B = \text{Boltzmann constant} = 1.38066 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$$

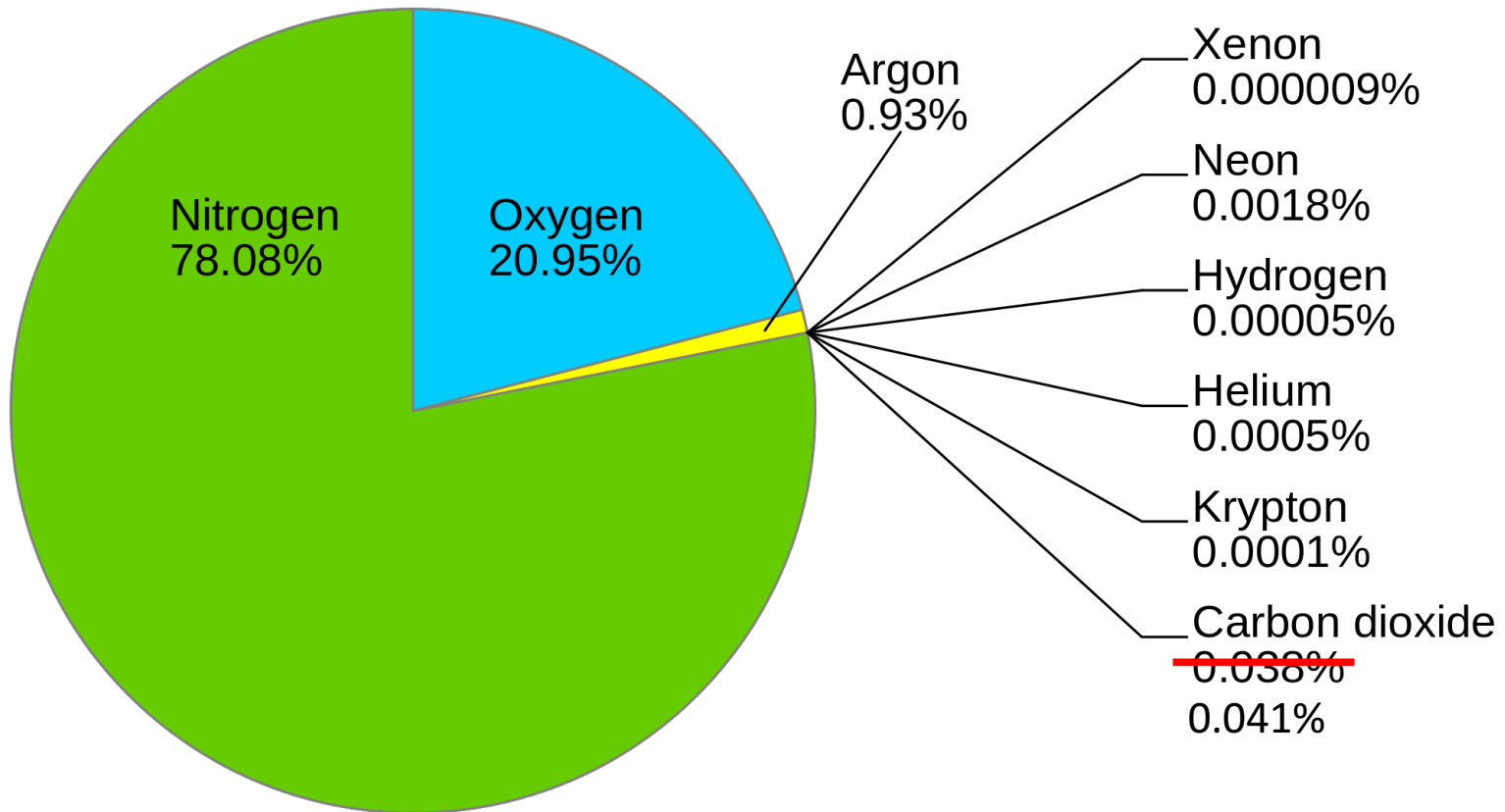
Universal Gas Constant

$$R = 8.3145 \text{ J/mol K}$$

In our textbook, the universal gas constant is written as R^*

Composition of a DRY Atmosphere: Troposphere

Water Vapor Varies 0 – 5%



Gas Constants for Dry Air

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Mass of dry air:

$$m_d \approx \text{Nitrogen (N}_2\text{)} + \text{Oxygen (O}_2\text{)} + \text{Argon (Ar)} + \text{Carbon Dioxide (CO}_2\text{)}$$

$$m_d \approx (0.7808 * 28) + (.2095 * 32) + (.00093 * 40) + (0.000405 * 44) = 28.96$$

$$R_d = \frac{R^*}{m_d} = 8314.472 \left(\frac{\text{J}}{\text{kmol}} * \text{K} \right) / 28.9655 (\text{kg/kmol}) = 287.047 \text{ J}/(\text{kg} * \text{K})$$

NOW can be used with Intensive Variables

Ideal Gas Law

$$PV = nR^*T$$

where:

P is the pressure of the gas,

V is the volume of the gas,

n is the amount of substance of gas (also known as number of moles),

R is the ideal, or universal, gas constant, equal to the product of the Boltzmann constant and the Avogadro constant,

T is the absolute temperature of the gas.

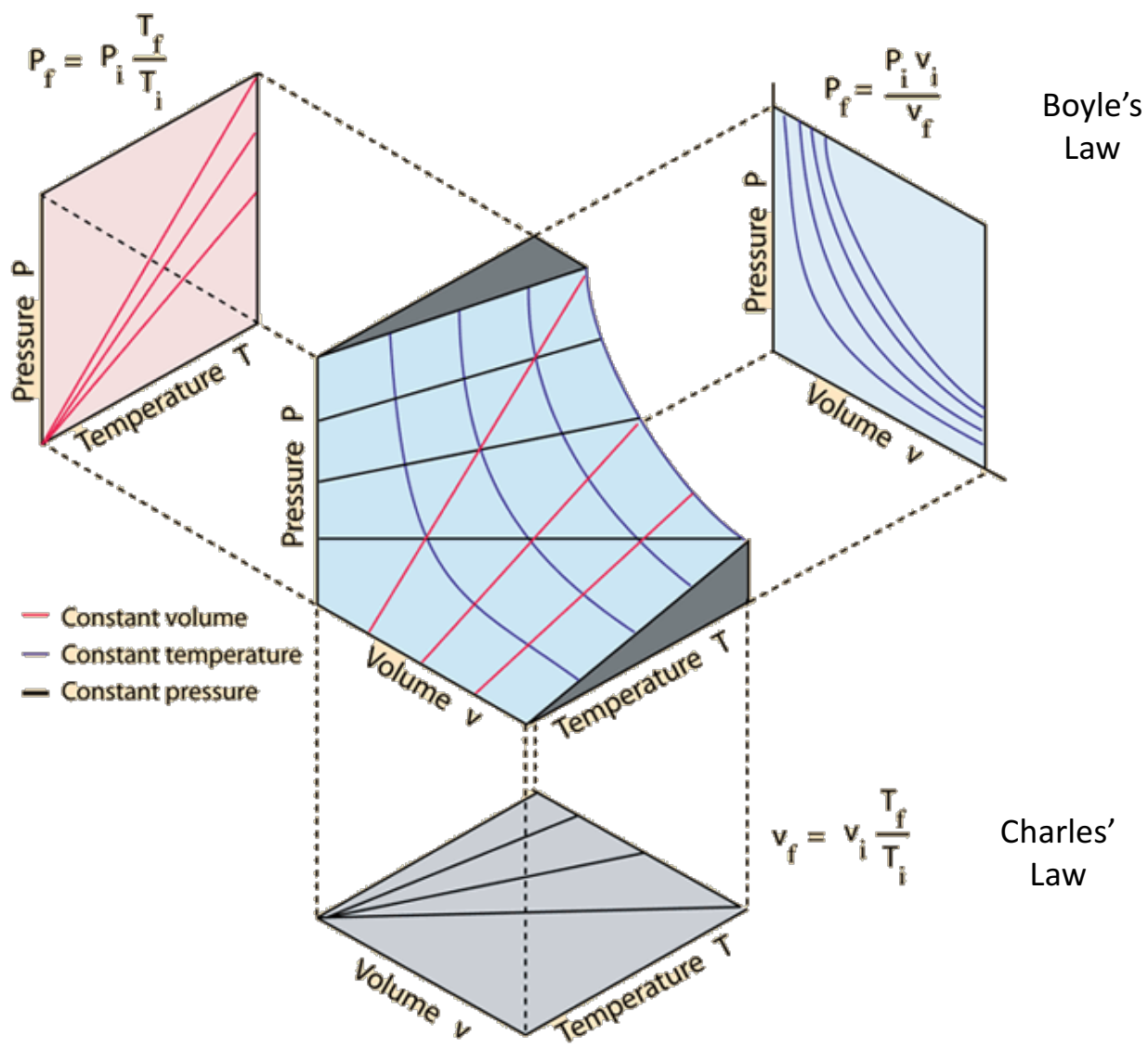
Ideal Gas Law – Meteorologist

$$p = \rho R d T$$

R = Gas constant for dry air

p = pressure

ρ = density



CLASS Presentation

- Form group of 2 students
- Present ~20 minute presentation (~ 10 minute each person)
- Focus on topics found within “In Practice” section of your textbook.
- Your research should go beyond the textbook.
- Be Creative! Props

Examples of material to present

- Hygrometer
- Wind Chill
- Radiosonde
- Skew-T diagram
- Psychrometer
- Heat Index
- Aneroid Barometer
- Altimeter
- Subsidence inversion

Suggestions for effective display

- **Keep it simple!** Fancy designs or color shifts make important material hard to read. Less is more.
- Use at least a 24-point font so everyone in the room can read your material.
- Try to limit the material to eight lines per slide, and keep the number of words to a minimum. **Keep it simple.**
- Limit the tables to four rows/columns for readability. Sacrifice content for legibility. Large tables can be displayed more effectively as a graph.
- Use easily read fonts.
- Don't fill up the slide - the peripheral material may not make it onto the display screen.
- **Identify the journal when you give references.**
- Finally, always preview your presentation. You will look foolish if symbols that looked OK in a WORD document didn't translate into anything readable in POWERPOINT.

Start with: $PV = nRT$

Show derivation to: $p = \rho RT$