

## CHAPTER EIGHT TEMPERATURE

### **Macroscopic Description of an Ideal Gas**

It is convenient to express the amount of gas in a given volume in terms of the number of moles ( $n$ ).

One (mole) is: the amount of substance that contains (Avogadro's number,  $N_A=6.022 \times 10^{23}$ ) of constituent particles (atoms or molecules).

$$* n = m / M$$

$m$  = mass of object &  $M$  = molar mass of the substance (gr/mol)

example: the mass of the (He) atom is (4 u), so the molar mass of (He) is (4 g/mol).

**Boyle's law:** when the gas is kept at a constant temperature, it's pressure is inversely proportional to its volume.

**Charle's and Gay-Lussac:** when the pressure of gas is kept constant, it's volume is directly proportional to the temperature.

### **Equation of state for ideal gas:**

$$\mathbf{P.V = n.R.T}$$

$R$  = constant or universal gas constant

$$R = 8.314 \text{ J/mol.k} = 0.08214 \text{ L.atm/mol.k}$$

In SI units, pressure is expressed in (pascal =  $\text{N/m}^2$ )

\* The product of ( $pV$ ) has units of (N.m) or (Joules), ( $1\text{J} = 1\text{N.m}$ )

\* The volume occupied by (1 mol) of any gas at atmospheric pressure and at ( $0^\circ\text{C}$  or 273 k) is **22.4 L**

### **The ideal gas law:**

$$\mathbf{P.V = n.R.T = (N/N_A)R.T}$$

$$\mathbf{P.V = N.K_B.T}$$

$N$  = total number of molecules

$$K_B = \text{Boltzmann's constant} = R / N_A = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/k}$$

**Example 3:** A spray can containing a propellant gas at twice atmospheric pressure (202 Kpa) and having a volume of ( $125 \text{ cm}^3$ ) is at ( $22^\circ\text{C}$ ). It's then tossed into an open fire. When the temperature of the gas in the can reaches ( $195^\circ\text{C}$ ).

(a) what is the pressure inside the can? Assume any change in the volume of the can is negligible.

(b) If we include a volume change due to the thermal expansion of the steel can as the temperature increases. Does this alter our answer for the final pressure significantly?

Solution:

$$(a) P_i V_i / T_i = P_f V_f / T_f$$

Because  $V_i = V_f$  then

$$P_i / T_i = P_f / T_f$$

$$P_f = (T_f / T_i) P_i = (468\text{k}/295\text{k})(202\text{kpa}) = 320\text{Kpa}$$

(b) because ( steel) is very small, we do not expect much of an effect on our final answer.

The change in volume of the can is:

$$\Delta V = \beta V_i \Delta T = 3\alpha V_i \Delta T = 3 (11 \cdot 10^{-6}/^{\circ}\text{C}) (125 \text{ cm}^3) (173 ^{\circ}\text{C}) = 0.71 \text{ cm}^3$$

The final volume of the can is  $(125.71 \text{ cm}^3)$ .

$$P_f = (T_f / T_i)(V_i / V_f) P_i$$

$$V_i / V_f = (125 \text{ cm}^3) / (125.71 \text{ cm}^3) = 99.4\%$$

Thus the final pressure will differ by only (0.6 %) from the value we calculated with out considering the thermal expansion of the can.

The final pressure = 318 kpa

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**H.W:** A cube (10 cm) on each side contains air [with equivalent molar mass = 28.9 g/mol at atmospheric pressure and temperature of (300 K)]. Find (a) the mass of gas? (b) its weight? (c) the force exerts on each face of the cube?

**H.W:** The triple point of neon and carbon dioxide are (24.57 K and 216.55 K), respectively. Express these temperatures on the Celsius and Fahrenheit scales?

**H.W:** A steel tape (1 m) long is correctly calibrated for a temperature of (27 °C). The length of a steel rod measured by this tape is found to be (63 cm). On a hot day when the temperature is (45 °C). What is the actual length of the same steel rod on a day when the temperature is (27 °C)? Take:  $\alpha_{st} = 12 \cdot 10^{-6}/^{\circ}\text{C}$