

# Chapter 5

## Gases

Objectives: 12 Science, Strand III, L.O. 2

### 5.1 Pressure

**Barometer:** Gas pressure (or air pressure) is caused by the collisions of particles over a surface area. Measured with a device called a barometer (invented in 1608 by [Evangelista Torricelli](#)). Compare a flexible walled evacuated capsule used in portable aneroid barometers. A long glass capillary tube is filled with Hg and inverted. The height of the column is equal to the pressure of the air.

**Units of Pressure:** standard 1 atmosphere = 760 torr = 760 mmHg = 29.92 in Hg = 101.325 kPa

**Manometer:** Device used to measure the pressure of a confined gas.

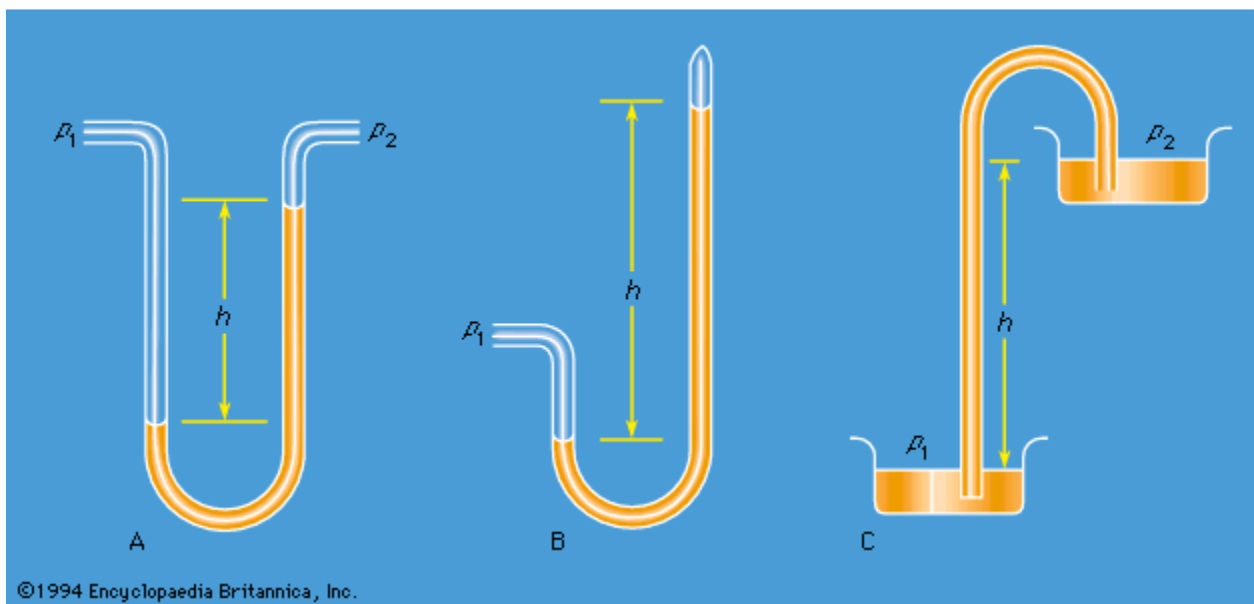


Figure 1: Schematic representations of (A) a differential manometer, (B) a Torricellian barometer, and (C) a siphon

**In Class Practice: Conversion of Sept. 14, 2008 Wind Storm (29.44 in Hg to kPa, atm, torr, and mm Hg)**

#### Pre Gas Law, In-Class Discussion

P. 217 (Active Learning Questions) #2 (c.), 4, 5 (e.), 6, 7 (adding moles!), 8 (2:1) less volume by 1/2), 9 (d.) P.218 Questions #17 (13.6x higher), 18 (lower pressure), 19 (last graph incorrect), 20 (If balloon expands then  $\Delta P$  more significant than  $\Delta T$ ), 24 a. (iii & vii > ii. & vi), b. (all same), c. (vii)

### 5.2 Gas Laws; Boyle, Charles, and Avogadro

**Scientific Laws:** A Law give a similar result for a given predicament. Laws do not explain but express a relationship, usually mathematical. Universal truths.

**Ideal Gas:** strictly obeys the Gas Laws (i.e., no intermolecular attractions, point masses, elastic collisions, etc.) Most gases obey this at low pressures.

**Boyle's Law:** "At constant temperature, the volume of a gas is inversely proportional to its pressure"

Relationship:  $PV = k$ , or  $P_1V_1 = P_2V_2$

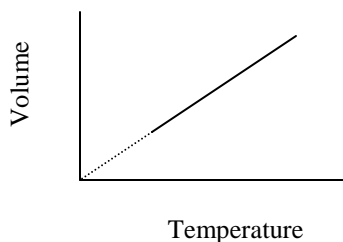
Or where the rearranged  $V = k(1/P)$  fits  $y=mx+b$  ( $b=0$ ) and  $m$  (the slope) =  $k$  gives a straight line.

Used to predict the new volume of a gas.

**Charles Law:** “At constant pressure, the volume of a gas is directly related to its absolute temperature”

$\frac{V}{T} = k$  or  $\frac{V_1}{T_1} = \frac{V_2}{T_2} = k$ , so that  $V = kT$  fits  $y=mx + b$ , and  $b =$  absolute zero. The slope extrapolates to absolute 0 or  $-273^\circ\text{C} = 0$  Kelvin.

Illustrate with graph V vs. T that a doubling of Celsius temperature does not double the volume of the gas. Or each  $1^\circ\text{C}$  increase increases the volume only by  $1/273^{\text{rd}}$  of original volume.



Point 1: (V= 10 L, T= 25°C)

Point 2: (V= ? L, T = 50°C)

**Avogadro’s Law:** “At the same conditions temperature and pressure, equal volumes of gases have the same number of moles.”

$V = a n$ , at constant pressure and temperature, the volume of a gas is directly proportional to the number of moles.

**In Class Practice: P. 220 #46**

**Other: If 200.0g of  $\text{Cl}_2$  gas are contained in a 5.0 gallon tank at 75 F and 18.2 PSI, what mass of nitrogen gas can also be held under these same conditions?**

### 5.3 The Ideal Gas Law

Using the three gas laws mentioned earlier we can assemble these into one equation:

The Universal Gas Law:  $V = R \left( \frac{Tn}{P} \right)$ , or  $PV = nRT$ , where  $R$  is the universal gas constant

$$R = 0.08206 \text{ L} \cdot \text{atm} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1} \cdot \text{K}$$

Used to describe a particular state of a gas at a given time. Describes its *ideal* pressure, volume, temperature, and number of moles of **any ideal** gas.

$$\text{Or } R = \left( \frac{P_1 V_1}{n_1 T_1} \right) = \left( \frac{P_2 V_2}{n_2 T_2} \right)$$

**In Class Practice: P. 220 #48**

**Homework Practice: P. 219 # 29, 31, 34, 35, 36, 39, 40, 42, 43, 45, 50, 98, 101, 102**