

Using Gas Laws to Solve Problems

Objectives

1. To understand the ideal gas law and use it in calculations
2. To understand the relationship between the partial and total pressure of a gas mixture
3. To do calculations involving Dalton's law of partial pressures
4. To understand the molar volume of an ideal gas
5. To learn the definition of STP
6. To do stoichiometry calculations using the ideal gas law

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A. The Ideal Gas Law

- Boyle's Law $V = \frac{k}{P}$ (at constant T and n)
- Charles's Law $V = bT$ (at constant P and n)
- Avogadro's Law $V = an$ (at constant T and P)

We can combine these equations to get

$$V = R \left(\frac{Tn}{P} \right)$$

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A. The Ideal Gas Law

Rearranging the equation gives the ideal gas law

$$PV = nRT$$

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

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B. Dalton's Law of Partial Pressures

- What happens to the pressure of a gas as we mix different gases in the container?

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Dalton's law of partial pressures

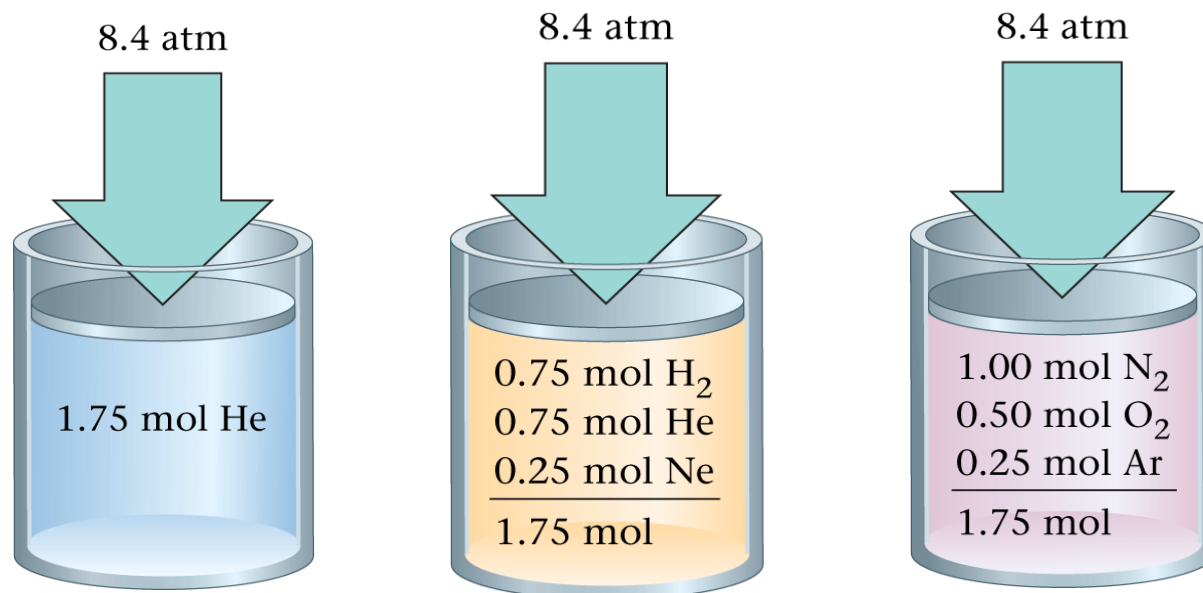
- For a mixture of gases in a container, the total pressure exerted is the sum of the partial pressures of the gases present.
- $P_{\text{total}} = P_1 + P_2 + P_3$

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B. Dalton's Law of Partial Pressures

- The pressure of the gas is affected by the number of particles.
- The pressure is independent of the nature of the particles.



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Two crucial things we learn from this are:

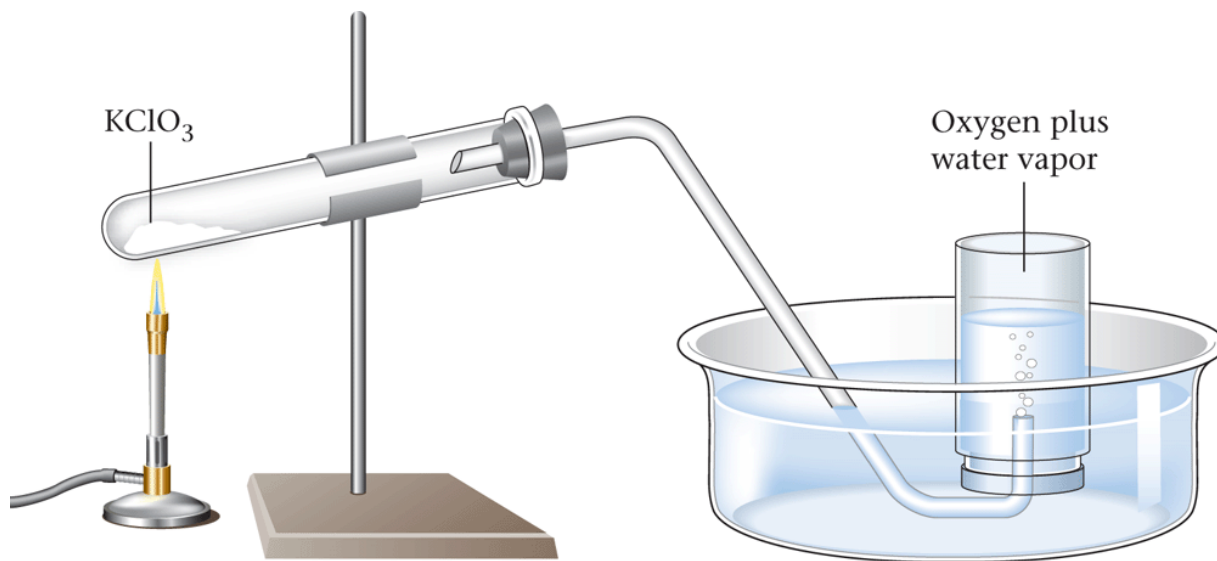
- The volume of the individual particles is not very important.
- The forces among the particles must not be very important.

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B. Dalton's Law of Partial Pressures

Collecting a gas over water



- Total pressure is the pressure of the gas + the vapor pressure of the water.

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Collecting a gas over water

- How can we find the pressure of the gas collected alone?

The Vapor Pressure of Water as a Function of Temperature

T ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	P (torr)
0.0	4.579
10.0	9.209
20.0	17.535
25.0	23.756
30.0	31.824
40.0	55.324
60.0	149.4
70.0	233.7
90.0	525.8

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C. Gas Stoichiometry

Molar Volume

- Standard temperature and pressure (STP)
 - 0°C and 1 atm
- For one mole of a gas at STP

$$V = \frac{nRT}{P} = \frac{(1.00 \text{ mol})(0.08206 \text{ L atm/K mol})(273 \text{ K})}{1.00 \text{ atm}} = 22.4 \text{ L}$$

- Molar volume of an ideal gas at STP
22.4 L