

## Combined Gas Law Problems

$$\frac{P_1 V_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2 V_2}{T_2}$$

Use the combined gas law to solve the following problems:

- 1) If I initially have a gas at a pressure of 12<sup>P<sub>1</sub></sup> atm, a volume of 23<sup>V<sub>1</sub></sup> liters, and a temperature of 200<sup>T<sub>1</sub></sup> K, and then I raise the pressure to 14<sup>P<sub>2</sub></sup> atm and increase the temperature to 300<sup>T<sub>2</sub></sup> K, what is the new volume of the gas?

$$\frac{(12 \text{ atm})(23 \text{ L})}{200 \text{ K}} = \frac{(14 \text{ atm})(V_2)}{300 \text{ K}}$$

$$V_2 = 29.6 \text{ L}$$

- 2) A gas takes up a volume of 17<sup>V<sub>1</sub></sup> liters, has a pressure of 2.3<sup>P<sub>1</sub></sup> atm, and a temperature of 299<sup>T<sub>1</sub></sup> K. If I raise the temperature to 350<sup>T<sub>2</sub></sup> K and lower the pressure to 1.5<sup>P<sub>2</sub></sup> atm, what is the new volume of the gas?

$$\frac{(2.3 \text{ atm})(17 \text{ L})}{299 \text{ K}} = \frac{(1.5 \text{ atm})(V_2)}{350 \text{ K}}$$

$$V_2 = 30.5 \text{ L}$$

- 3) A gas that has a volume of 28<sup>V<sub>1</sub></sup> liters, a temperature of 45<sup>T<sub>1</sub></sup> °C, and an unknown pressure has its volume increased to 34<sup>V<sub>2</sub></sup> liters and its temperature decreased to 35<sup>T<sub>2</sub></sup> °C. If I measure the pressure after the change to be 2.0<sup>P<sub>2</sub></sup> atm, what was the original pressure of the gas?

$$T_1 = 45^\circ\text{C} + 273.15 = 318.15 \text{ K}$$

$$T_2 = 35^\circ\text{C} + 273.15 = 308.15 \text{ K}$$

$$\frac{(P_1)(28 \text{ L})}{318.15 \text{ K}} = \frac{(2.0 \text{ atm})(34 \text{ L})}{308.15 \text{ K}}$$

$$P_1 = 2.51 \text{ atm}$$

- 4) A gas has a temperature of 14<sup>T<sub>1</sub></sup> °C, and a volume of 4.5<sup>V<sub>1</sub></sup> liters. If the temperature is raised to 29<sup>T<sub>2</sub></sup> °C and the pressure is not changed, what is the new volume of the gas?

$$T_1 = 14^\circ\text{C} + 273.15 = 287.15 \text{ K}$$

$$T_2 = 29^\circ\text{C} + 273.15 = 302.15 \text{ K}$$

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

$$\frac{4.5 \text{ L}}{287.15 \text{ K}} = \frac{V_2}{302.15 \text{ K}}$$

$$V_2 = 4.74 \text{ L}$$

$$\frac{P_1 V_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2 V_2}{T_2}$$

- 5) If I have 17 liters of gas at a temperature of 67°C and a pressure of 88.89 atm, what will be the pressure of the gas if I raise the temperature to 94°C and decrease the volume to 12 liters?

$$\frac{(88.89 \text{ atm})(17 \text{ L})}{340.15 \text{ K}} = \frac{(P_2)(12 \text{ L})}{367.15 \text{ K}}$$

$$T_1 = 67^\circ\text{C} + 273.15 = 340.15 \text{ K}$$

$$T_2 = 94^\circ\text{C} + 273.15 = 367.15 \text{ K}$$

$$P_2 = 136 \text{ atm}$$

- 6) I have an unknown volume of gas at a pressure of 0.5 atm and a temperature of 325 K. If I raise the pressure to 1.2 atm, decrease the temperature to 320 K, and measure the final volume to be 48 liters, what was the initial volume of the gas?

$$\frac{(0.5 \text{ atm})(V_1)}{325 \text{ K}} = \frac{(1.2 \text{ atm})(48 \text{ L})}{320 \text{ K}}$$

$$V_1 = 117 \text{ L}$$

- 7) If I have 21 liters of gas held at a pressure of 78 atm and a temperature of 900 K, what will be the volume of the gas if I decrease the pressure to 45 atm and decrease the temperature to 750 K?

$$\frac{(78 \text{ atm})(21 \text{ L})}{900 \text{ K}} = \frac{(45 \text{ atm})(V_2)}{750 \text{ K}}$$

$$V_2 = 30.3 \text{ L}$$

- 8) If I have 2.9 L of gas at a pressure of 5 atm and a temperature of 50°C, what will be the temperature of the gas if I decrease the volume of the gas to 2.4 L and decrease the pressure to 3 atm?

$$\frac{(5 \text{ atm})(2.9 \text{ L})}{323.15 \text{ K}} = \frac{(3 \text{ atm})(2.4 \text{ L})}{T_2}$$

$$T_1 = 50^\circ\text{C} + 273.15 = 323.15 \text{ K}$$

$$T_2 = ?$$

$$T_2 = 160 \text{ K}$$

- 9) I have an unknown volume of gas held at a temperature of 115 K in a container with a pressure of 60 atm. If by increasing the temperature to 225 K and decreasing the pressure to 30 atm causes the volume of the gas to be 29 liters, how many liters of gas did I start with?

$$\frac{(60 \text{ atm})(V_1)}{115 \text{ K}} = \frac{(30 \text{ atm})(29 \text{ L})}{225 \text{ K}}$$

$$V_1 = 7.41 \text{ L}$$