

## GAS LAWS AND THE BEHAVIOR OF GASES:

**STP:** Standard Temperature and Pressure is defined as **760 Torr = 1 atm @ 0°C**.

**MEASUREMENT OF PRESSURE:** Remember, 101.3kPa(kilopascals) = 1013 mbar = 760 mm of Hg = 760 Torr.(Torr is named after Torricelli.) Also, 1000 mbar = 750 mm of Hg. Also, 1 atmosphere(atm) = 760 Torr.

**MODIFIED AVOGADRO'S PRINCIPLE:** One mole of any gas will occupy **22.4** Liters (22400 cm<sup>3</sup>) at STP. In fact, if the temperature and pressure of a gas are fixed, one mole of any gas will occupy the same volume.

**BOYLE'S LAW:**  $PV = k$  where **P** = pressure, **V** = volume, and **k** = constant.

(The temperature of the gas must be constant.)

**CHARLES' LAW:**  $\frac{V}{T} = k$  where **T** = temperature(K°) and **k** = constant.

(The pressure of the gas must be constant.)

**GAY-LUSSAC'S LAW:**  $\frac{P}{T} = k$  where **P** = pressure, **T** = temperature(K°), and

**k** = constant. (The volume of the gas must be constant.)

**COMBINED CHARLES' AND BOYLE'S LAW:**  $\frac{PV}{T} = k$

**DALTON'S LAW:** In a closed container, the total pressure of two or more gases mixed together is the sum of the pressures of each gas.

**IDEAL GAS EQUATIONS:**  $PV = nRT$  where **n** = the number of moles of gas and **R** = a special constant = **.0821 L·atm/mol·K°**, **83.1 cm<sup>3</sup>·bar/mol·K°**, or

**8.31 L·kPa/mol·K°**. Also note that  $PV = \frac{mRT}{M}$  where **m** = mass of the gas and

**M** = molecular weight of the gas.

**GRAHAM'S LAW:**  $\frac{V_1}{V_2} = \sqrt{\frac{m_2}{m_1}}$  = rate of diffusion where the temperature and

pressures of the two gases are the same. The kinetic energies of the gases are the same. **V** = velocity. Note that kinetic energy is energy of motion; i.e., if something is moving, then that object has kinetic energy. The above equation comes from an equation in physics which states that kinetic energy =  $\frac{1}{2}mv^2$ .