

Example(3): The pressure of a gas at 27°C is 760mmHg . What is the pressure of the gas at 87°C at constant volume?

Solution: :

Initial state

$$P_1 = 760 \text{ mmHg}$$

$$T_1 = 27^{\circ}\text{C} + 273 = 300 \text{ K}$$

Using Gay-Lussac's Law, $\frac{P_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2}{T_2}$

Final state

$$P_2 = ?$$

$$T_2 = 87^{\circ}\text{C} + 273 = 360 \text{ K}$$

$$P_2 = \frac{P_1 T_2}{T_1} = \frac{760 \text{ mmHg} \times 360 \text{ K}}{300 \text{ K}} = \mathbf{912 \text{ mmHg}}$$

Check: The increase in temperature increases the pressure. So, the answer is reasonable.