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13-1 Atomic Theory of Matter

- **Atomic Theory of Matter:** Matter is made up of atoms
 - Brownian motion: pollen grains in water moved randomly as liquid molecules collided into them (kinetic theory)
- Atomic mass unit (u): $1\text{u} = 1/12 \text{ mass of C-12} = 1.6605 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
- Diameter of an atom $\approx 10^{-10} \text{ m}$ (calculated by Albert Einstein)
- Intermolecular force
- Three phases of matter
 - Crystalline solid: strong attractive force, atoms oscillate about a fixed position
 - Liquid: weaker force, moving more rapidly
 - Gas: weak force, high speeds, molecules do not stay close together

13-2 Temperature and Thermometers

- Definitions
 - (1) Temperature (T) is a measure of how hot or cold something is.
 - (2) Temperature measures the **average kinetic energy** of the particles in the object.
- Property changes based on temperature:
 - Volume (most materials expand when heated)
 - Color radiated by objects (e.g., fire turns red -> blue -> white)
 - Electrical resistance (usually increases with increasing temperature))
- Two fixed points: **freezing point and boiling point of water** (at atmospheric pressure)
- Temperature Scales:
 - Celsius ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) scale = centigrade scale
 - Freezing point of water: 0°C
 - Boiling point of water: 100°C
 - Kelvin (K) scale = absolute scale (SI unit)
 - Absolute zero = $0\text{K} = -273.15^{\circ}\text{C}$, the temperature at which all thermal motion is the minimum in the classical description of thermodynamics
 - Change in $1\text{K} = \text{change in } 1^{\circ}\text{C}$
 - $\mathbf{T \text{ (K)} = T(\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}) + 273}$
 - Fahrenheit ($^{\circ}\text{F}$) scale
 - Freezing point of water: 32°F
 - Boiling point of water: 212°F
 - $\mathbf{T_F = 9/5T_C + 32}$
 - $\mathbf{T_C = 5/9(T_F - 32)}$
 - Change in $1^{\circ}\text{C} = \text{change in } 1.8^{\circ}\text{F}$
- Types of Thermometers
 - Liquid in glass thermometer (principle: thermal expansion)
 - Liquid expands more than the glass, the liquid level rises in the tube
 - Liquid: mercury (better for high T), colored alcohol (better for low T)
 - **Bimetallic strip**
 - Binding together 2 dissimilar metals whose rate of expansion are different.
 - When T increases, the bimetallic strip bends toward the metal with a lower expansion rate.
 - **Thermostat**: a device for keeping a steady T .
 - **Thermistor thermometer** (very precise)

- The probe consists of a thermistor, which is a semiconductor device with a resistance that is very sensitive to the change of T.
- $T \uparrow, R \downarrow$ (resistance), $I \uparrow$ (current), larger reading on the meter.

13-3 Thermal Equilibrium and the Zeroth Law of Thermodynamics

- **Thermal equilibrium:** If two bodies of different temperature are placed close together, thermal energy will be transferred from one to the other, and the two objects will eventually reach the same temperature (high T to low T).
- **Zeroth law of thermodynamics:** If two systems are in thermal equilibrium with a third system, they are also in thermal equilibrium with each other.

13-4 Thermal Expansion

- **Thermal expansion:** as the temperature of an object (solid, liquid, gas) increases, volume increases.
- The particles in a substance increase their spacing, but do not expand themselves
- Linear Expansion (change of T not too large) —> **only for solids**
 - $\Delta L = \alpha L_0 \Delta T$
 - $L = L_0 (1 + \alpha \Delta T)$
- Volume thermal expansion
 - $\Delta V = \beta V_0 \Delta T$
 - $V = V_0 (1 + \beta \Delta T)$
 - For solids that are isotropic (having the same properties in all direction): $\beta \approx 3\alpha$
 - Pure metals
- **Anomalous Behavior** of Water Below 4°C
 - If water at 0°C is heated, it decreases in volume until it reaches 4°C.
 - Above 4 °C, water expands in volume as temperature increases.
 - Water has its greatest density at 4°C.
 - When temperature is between 0°C and 4°C, the number of hydrogen bonds increases if temperature decreases. The hydrogen bonds will increase the volume of the water.

13-5 The Gas Law and the Absolute Temperature

- Atmospheric pressure (P_A): At sea level, the pressure of the atmosphere on average is **1.013 $\times 10^5 \text{ N/m}^2$**
 - Pascal (Pa): $1 \text{ Pa} = 1 \text{ N/m}^2$

- Atmosphere (atm): $1 \text{ atm} = 1.013 \times 10^5 \text{ N/m}^2 = 101.3 \text{ kPa}$
 - Bar: $1 \text{ bar} = 1.00 \times 10^5 \text{ N/m}^2$
- Gauge pressure (P_G)
 - Most pressure gauges only register pressure above atmospheric pressure.
- **Absolute pressure (P)**
 - Sum of the atmospheric pressure and the gauge pressure.
 - $P = P_A + P_G$
- Gas Laws
 - **Equation of state:** The relation between the volume (V), the pressure (P), the temperature (T) and the mass (m) of a gas.
 - **Equilibrium state of a system:** when the variables that describe the system (such as T and P) are the same throughout the system and are not changing in time.
 - Conditions for gas laws to be accurate: the gas is close to an ideal gas.
 - **Gas is not too dense, P is not too high**
 - **Gas is not close to the liquefaction/boiling point (T not too low).**
- Boyle's Law: P-V law
 - Mass and temperature are constant: P and V change
 - When adding pressure onto a gas, it's compressed and gets smaller → P increases, V decreases (inverse proportion)
 - **$PV = \text{constant}$ or $P_1V_1 = P_2V_2$ (P is absolute pressure, atm or Pa; P and V have the same units for both sides)**
- Charles's Law: V-T Law
 - Mass and pressure is constant: V and T change
 - When gas is heated → particles move more randomly and faster → takes up more space → volume is larger
 - **$V/T = \text{constant}$ or $V_1/T_1 = V_2/T_2$ (T : Kelvin; V has the same units for both sides)**
- Gay-Lussac's Law: P-T Law
 - Mass and volume is constant: P and T change
 - When gas is heated → particles move more randomly and faster → exert more F on the walls → pressure is larger
 - **P/T is constant or $P_1/T_1 = P_2/T_2$ (P has the same units for both sides; T : Kelvin)**
- General Gas Law

$$\frac{PV}{T} = c \Rightarrow \frac{P_1V_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2V_2}{T_2}$$

13-6 & 7 The Ideal Gas Law

- Molar mass and mole
 - One mole (mol): The amount of substance that contains as many atoms or molecules as there are in precisely 12 grams of carbon-12

$$n(\text{mol}) = \frac{\text{mass (grams)}}{\text{molar mass (g/mol)}}$$

 - The number of moles (n)

- Ideal Gas Law Equation
 - **PV = nRT** (P: Pa; V: m³; T: K; n: mol)
 - R: universal gas constant
 - **R = 8.314 J/mol·K = 8.314 Pa·m³/ mol·K (SI unit)**
- Ideal Gas
 - A gas in which the molecules do not exert forces on each other except when colliding.
- STP
 - Standard conditions or standard temperature and pressure.
 - T = 273 K (0°C)
 - **P = 1.00 atm = 1.013 × 10⁵ Pa = 101.3 kPa**
 - **Volume of one mol at STP = 22.4 L**
- **Molar Volume (V_m)**
 - The volume occupied by one mole of a substance at a given T and P.
 - Molar volume (m³/mol) = molar mass (g/mol) / molar density (g/m³)

$$V_m = \frac{M}{\rho}$$

13-8 Ideal Gas Law in Terms of Molecules: Avogadro's Number

- Avogadro's Hypothesis: Equal volumes of gas at the same pressure and temperature contain equal numbers of molecules.
- **Avogadro's number (N_A) = 6.02 × 10²³ molecules/mol**
- **N (number of molecules) = nN_A**
- Ideal gas law in terms of molecules:
 - **PV = nRT = NkT**
 - **k: Boltzmann's constant = 1.38 × 10⁻²³ J/K**