

Key Equations

Equation 12.1 (page 477)

Boyle's law (where P is the pressure and V is the volume)

$$P_1V_1 = P_2V_2$$

Equation 12.2 (page 478)

Charles's law (where T is the Kelvin temperature)

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

Equation 12.3 (page 479)

General gas law (combined gas law) for a fixed amount of gas

$$\frac{P_1V_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2V_2}{T_2}$$

Equation 12.4 (page 481)

Ideal gas law (where n is the amount of gas (moles) and R is the universal gas constant, $0.082057 L \cdot \text{atm} / K \cdot \text{mol}$)

$$PV = nRT$$

Equation 12.5 (page 483)

Density of gases (where d is the gas density)

$$d = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{PM}{RT}$$

Equation (page 488)

Dalton's law of partial pressures. The total pressure of a gas mixture is the sum of the partial pressures of the component gases (P_n).

$$P_{\text{total}} = P_1 + P_2 + P_3 + \dots$$

Equation 12.7 (page 488)

The total pressure of a gas mixture is equal to the total number of moles of gases multiplied by (RT/V) .

$$P_{\text{total}} = n_{\text{total}} \left(\frac{RT}{V} \right)$$

Equation 12.8 (page 489)

The partial pressure of a gas (A) in a mixture is the product of its mole fraction (X_A) and the total pressure of the mixture.

$$P_A = X_A (P_{\text{total}})$$

Equation 12.9 (page 492)

Maxwell's equation, which relates the rms speed ($\sqrt{u^2}$) to the molar mass of a gas (M) and its temperature (T)

$$\sqrt{u^2} = \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{M}}$$

Equation 12.10 (page 492)

Graham's law. The rate of effusion of a gas—the quantity of material moving from one place to another in a given amount of time—is inversely proportional to the square root of its molar mass.

$$\frac{\text{Rate of effusion of gas 1}}{\text{Rate of effusion of gas 2}} = \sqrt{\frac{\text{molar mass of gas 2}}{\text{molar mass of gas 1}}}$$