



## States of matter Lab practice questions

### Butane Lab

1. What is the pressure of a sample of oxygen that is collected over water at 27°C if the total pressure of the sample is 778.2 mmHg? (Vapor pressure for 27°C = 23.8 mmHg)

$$P_{TOT} = P_{OAS} + P_{VAP}$$

$$778.2 \text{ mmHg} = P_{GAS} + 23.8 \text{ mmHg}$$

$$P_{GAS} = 754.4 \text{ mmHg}$$

2. Find the molar mass of an unknown gas if 0.339 g sample of the gas has a dry pressure (vapor pressure has been accounted for already) of 743.5 mmHg, a volume of 527 mL at a temperature of 23°C.

$$T = 23 + 273 = 296 \text{ K}$$

$$PV = nRT \Rightarrow n = \frac{PV}{RT}$$

$$V = 527 \text{ mL} \left| \frac{1 \text{ L}}{1000 \text{ mL}} \right. = 0.527 \text{ L}$$

$$n = \frac{PV}{RT} = \frac{(0.978 \text{ atm})(0.527 \text{ L})}{(0.0821 \frac{\text{atm} \cdot \text{L}}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}})(296 \text{ K})} = 0.0212 \text{ mol}$$

$$P = 743.5 \text{ mmHg} \left| \frac{1 \text{ atm}}{760 \text{ mmHg}} \right. = 0.978 \text{ atm}$$

$$\text{molar mass} = \frac{g}{\text{mol}} = \frac{0.339 \text{ g}}{0.0212 \text{ mol}} = 16.0 \text{ g/mol}$$

3. If the water level inside the graduated cylinder was higher than that outside the cylinder:

a. What would be the effect on the pressure of the gas in the cylinder?

$$P_{GAS} + P_{H_2O} = P_{TOTAL}$$

(gravity)

The total Pressure would increase.

b. What would be the effect on the resulting molar mass of the gas calculation?

Gas volume increases

$$n = \frac{PV}{RT}$$

$n$  is proportional to  $V$  so  $n$  increases

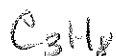
$$\text{molar mass} = \frac{g}{n}$$

as  $n$  increases, molar mass decreases

4. Give an example of experimental error in the butane lab and explain the effect on the calculation.

See p. 35 in Lab Book.

5. Tank A holds 1000 grams of propane  $C_3H_8$  and tank B holds 1000 grams of methane,  $CH_4$ . Which tank holds more moles? Show the calculation for each.



$$C \ 3 \times 12 = 36$$

$$H \ 8 \times 1 = 8$$

$$44 \text{ g/mol}$$

$$1000 \text{ g } C_3H_8 \left| \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{44 \text{ g}} \right. = 22.7 \text{ mol } C_3H_8$$



$$12 + 4 = 16 \text{ g/mol}$$

$$1000 \text{ g } CH_4 \left| \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{16 \text{ g}} \right. = 62.5 \text{ mol } CH_4$$

$CH_4$  tank holds more moles of gas

