

(4) Graham's Law of Diffusion: -

If M is the total mass of a gas, then the Kinetic gas equation,

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$$\text{or } c^2 = \frac{3PV}{M} = \frac{3P}{\frac{M}{V}} = \frac{3P}{D} \quad \left[\frac{M}{V} = \text{Density} \right]$$

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$$c = \sqrt{\frac{3P}{D}} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Where D is the density of the gas, we know that the rate of diffusion (r) of a gas varies with the mean velocity (c), ($\because r \propto c$)

from the above eqn (1)

$$c \propto \sqrt{\frac{1}{D}} \quad \text{where } P \text{ is constant}$$

Thus the rate of diffusion of a gas is inversely proportional to the square root of density of the gas at constant pressure.

This is the Graham's law of diffusion.

(5) Dalton's Law of Partial Pressure: -

Let n_1 molecules each of mass m_1 of a gas A are taken in a container of volume V . Then the pressure P_a for the gas is given by Kinetic gas Eqn

$$P_a = \frac{m_1 n_1 c_1^2}{3V}$$

Similarly for gas B,

$$P_b = \frac{m_2 n_2 c_2^2}{3V}$$

If both the gases are present in $3V$ the same containers, then total pressure,

$$P = \frac{m_1 n_1 c_1^2}{3V} + \frac{m_2 n_2 c_2^2}{3V}$$

$$= P_a + P_b$$

Similarly for n gases, the total pressure,

$$P = P_a + P_b + P_c + \dots + P_n$$

This is Dalton's Law of Partial Pressure.

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