

Kinetic theory of gasses

Phase transitions

Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution of molecule velocities. Diffusion. Ideal gas law, particular gas laws, phase diagram, phase equilibrium, Clausius-Clapeyron equation. Air humidity.

Kinetic theory of gasses

- Maxwell-Boltzmann's distribution
- Macroscopic phenomena based on microscopic matter structure
- Diffusion, gas viscosity
- Non-ideal Van der Waals' gas

Ideal gas

Non-interacting system of molecules

Reality – inert or diluted gasses

Internal energy – only kinetic energy of molecules

Kinetic theory of gasses

State equations – pressure, volume, temperature, number of molecules

Molecular speed distribution

Molecules in an ideal gas move by variable velocities, their movement is straight and at constant speed between collisions

Assumptions:

1. No preferred velocity orientation in space
2. Different velocity coordinates in 3D space are independent

Maxwell's speed distribution

Velocity coordinate distribution

$$\rho(v_x) = \left(\frac{m_0}{2\pi k_B T} \right)^{1/2} e^{-\frac{m_0 v_x^2}{2k_B T}}$$

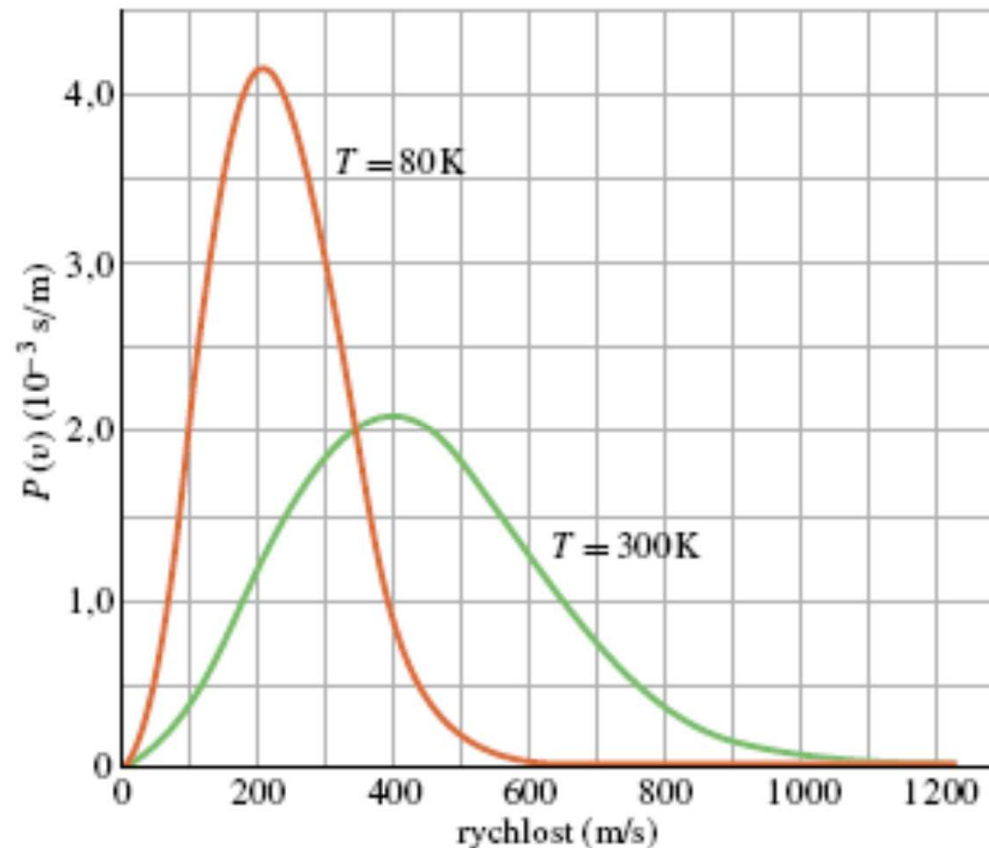
Velocity magnitude distribution

$$\rho(v) = 4\pi \left(\frac{m_0}{2\pi k_B T} \right)^{3/2} v^2 e^{-\frac{m_0 v^2}{2k_B T}}$$

J.C.Maxwell, 1852

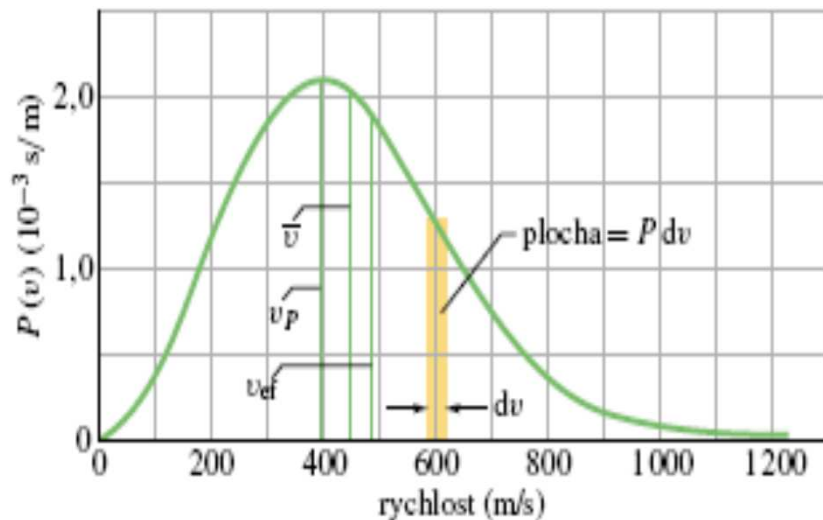
Maxwell's speed distribution

Molecules travel faster at higher temperatures – example for Oxygen



Characteristics of distribution

Area below graph – oxygen at 300K



root-mean-square velocity 483ms^{-1} ,
the most probable velocity 395ms^{-1} ,
average velocity 445ms^{-1}

Parameters of distribution

- The most probable speed

$$v_P = \sqrt{\frac{2k_B T}{m_0}}$$

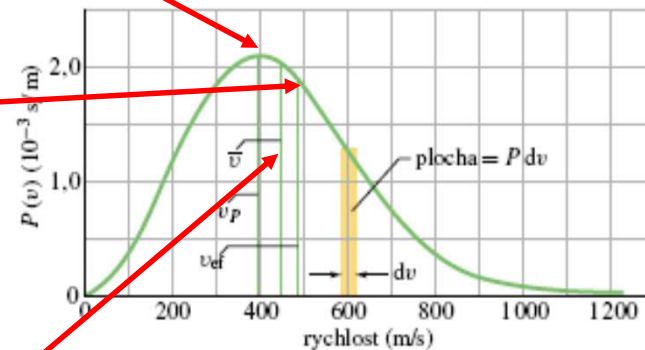
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- Root-mean-square speed

$$v_k = \sqrt{\frac{3k_B T}{m_0}}$$

- Average speed

$$\bar{v} = \sqrt{\frac{8k_B T}{\pi m_0}}$$



Characteristic velocities

- The most probable speed

$$\frac{d\rho(v)}{dv} = 0$$

- Average speed

$$\bar{v} = \int_0^{\infty} v \rho(v) dv$$

- Root-mean-square speed

$$v_k = \sqrt{\overline{v^2}} = \sqrt{\int_0^{\infty} v^2 \rho(v) dv}$$

Ideal gas in gravitational field

Gas molecules exhibit potential energy in gravity field

Density of molecules will differ as a function of position

$$\rho(h) = \rho(0)e^{-\frac{m_0gh}{k_B T}}$$

Barometric formula for the pressure/density distribution in constant temperature medium

$$p(h) = p(0)e^{-\frac{m_0gh}{k_B T}}$$

Boltzmann's distribution

Probability density = function of potential energy of particles

$$\rho(E_P) = \frac{e^{-\frac{E_P}{k_B T}}}{\int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{E_P}{k_B T}} dE_P}$$

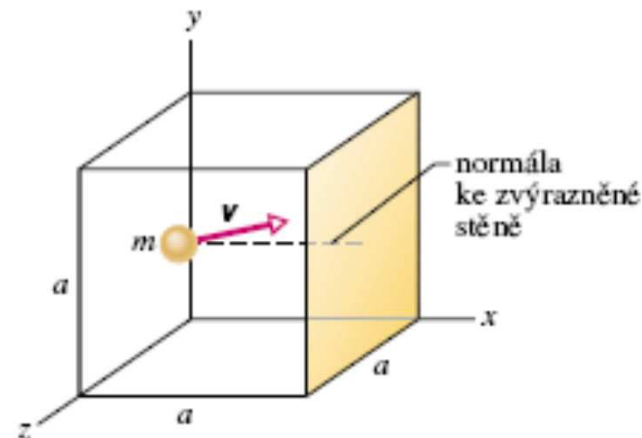
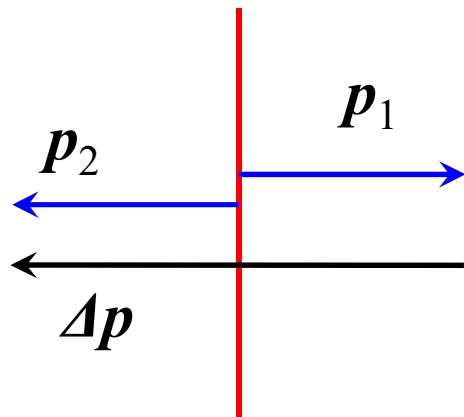
Gas pressure

Molecules collide at the vessel walls

Change of impulse per 1s and 1m² is pressure

Change of impulse per particle at elastic collision

$$\Delta p = 2m_0 v$$



Gas pressure

Number of molecules colliding at the wall per Δt

$$\Delta N = \frac{N}{V} (S v_x \Delta t) \Delta w(v_x)$$

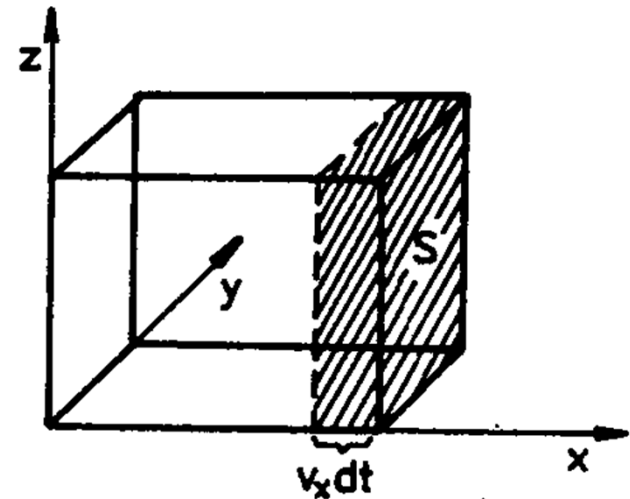
$$\Delta w(v_x) = \rho(v_x) \Delta v_x$$

Exchanged impulse

$$\Delta P_x = \Delta N \cdot 2m_0 v_x$$

Force on the wall

$$\Delta F = \frac{\Delta P_x}{\Delta t} = 2m_0 \frac{N}{V} S (v_x^2 \rho(v_x) \Delta v_x)$$



Gas pressure

Force $F = 2m_0 \frac{N}{V} S \int_0^{+\infty} v_x^2 \rho(v_x) dv_x$

Root-mean-square speed

$$\overline{v_x^2} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} v_x^2 \rho(v_x) dv_x = 2 \int_0^{+\infty} v_x^2 \rho(v_x) dv_x$$

Pressure on the vessel wall

$$p = \frac{F}{S} = \frac{N}{V} m_0 \overline{v_x^2}$$

Gas pressure

Magnitude of velocity

$$v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2 = v^2$$

Average

$$\overline{v_x^2} = \overline{v_y^2} = \overline{v_z^2} = \frac{1}{3} \overline{v^2}$$

Gas pressure

$$p = \frac{1}{3} \frac{N}{V} m_0 \overline{v^2}$$

Ideal gas law and pressure

Equation of state $pV = nRT$

Root-mean-square speed

$$v_k = \sqrt{v^2} = \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{M_m}}$$

Root-mean-square speed

T=300K	H ₂	He	H ₂ O	N ₂	O ₂	CO ₂
M _m [g·mol ⁻¹]	2.02	4.0	18.0	28.0	32.0	44.0
v _k [m·s ⁻¹]	1920	1370	645	517	483	412

Kinetic energy of particles

Motion of single particle at root-mean-square speed

$$\overline{E_k} = \frac{1}{2} \overline{m_0 v^2} = \frac{1}{2} m_0 v_k^2$$

$$\overline{E_k} = \frac{3}{2} k_B T$$

Root-mean-square speed of molecules for an ideal gas is proportional to the temperature.

Boltzmann's constant

$$k_B = \frac{R}{N_A} = 1.38 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{ JK}^{-1}$$

Internal gas energy

Sum of all kinetic energies of molecules

$$U = nN_A \overline{E_k} = nN_A \left(\frac{3}{2} k_B T \right) = \frac{3}{2} nRT$$

Internal energy of an ideal gas depends only on the temperature, not on volume, pressure etc.

Various nature of internal energy – translational, rotational, vibration, ...

Ideal gas law

$$pV = nRT$$

Universal gas constant

$$R=8.314\text{Jmol}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$$

Volume of 1 mole of gas at standard
temperature and pressure (STP)

$p_0=101325\text{ Pa}$, $T=273.15\text{ K}$ it is $V_m=22.4\text{ liter}$

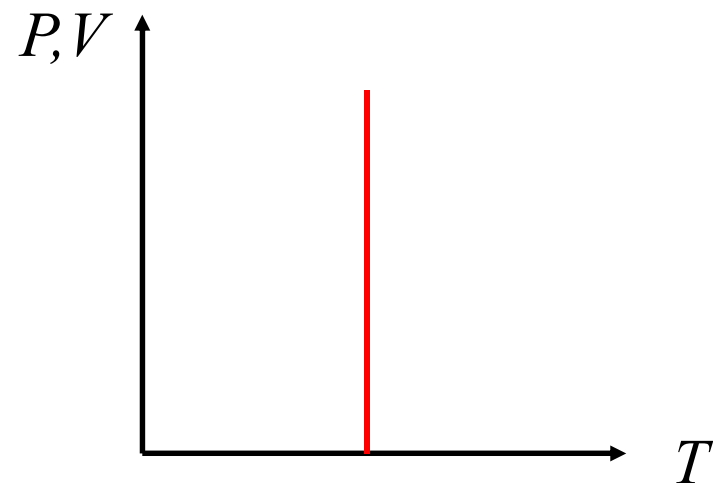
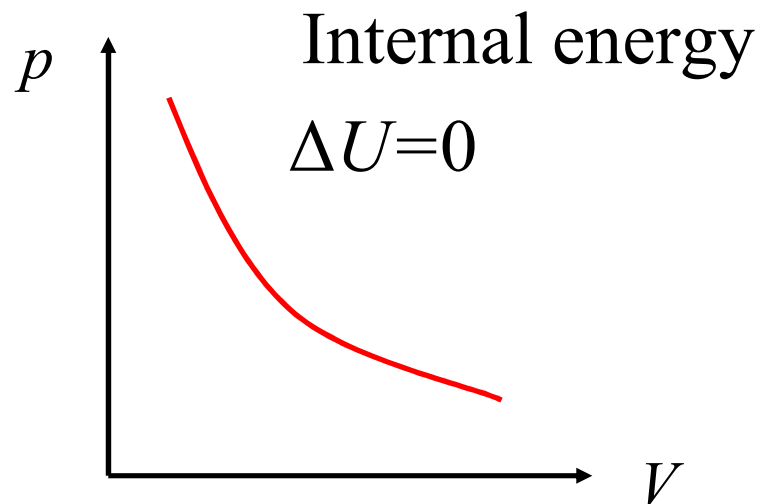
Isothermal process ($T=\text{konst.}$)

Boyle-Mariott's law

$$pV = \textit{konst.}$$

Work $A = nRT \ln \frac{V_2}{V_1}$

Heat $Q=A$



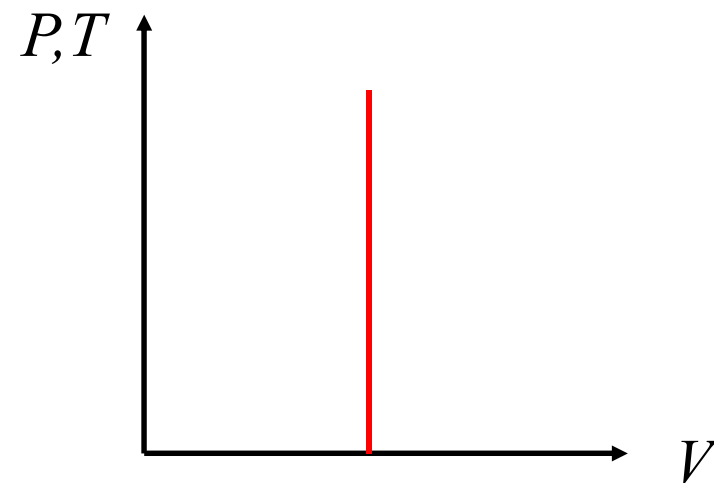
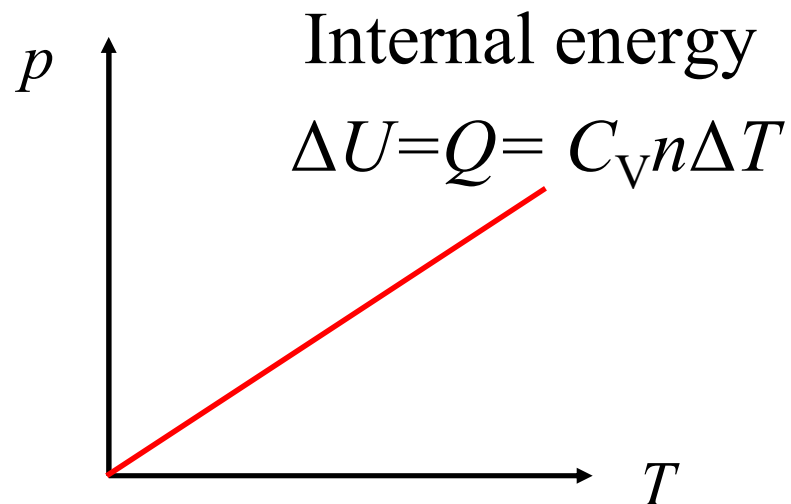
Isovolumetric process ($V=\text{konst.}$)

Charles' law

$$\frac{p}{T} = \textit{konst.}$$

Work $A = 0$

Heat Q

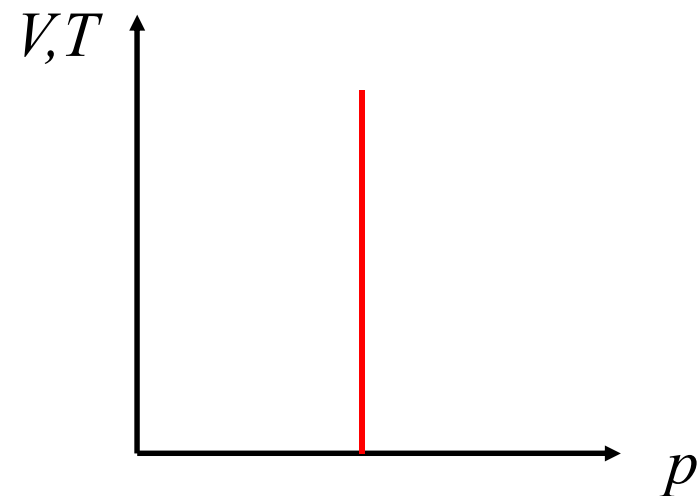
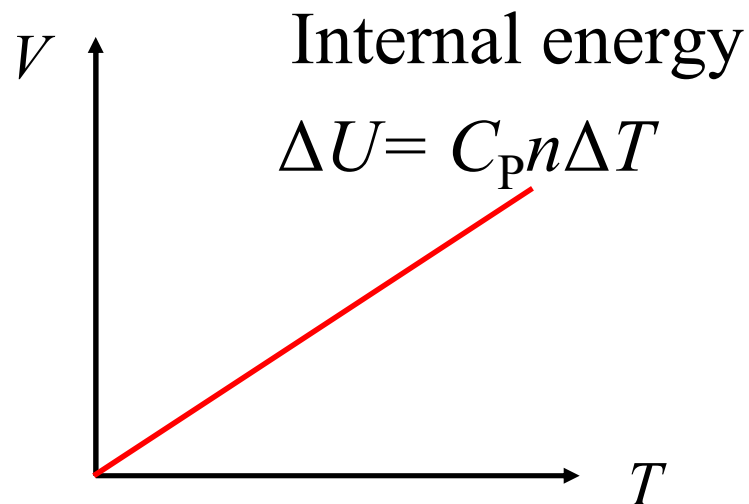


Isobaric process ($p=\text{konst.}$)

Gay-Lussac's law $\frac{V}{T} = \textit{konst.}$

Work $A = p\Delta V$

Heat $Q = \Delta U - p\Delta V$



Adiabatic process ($Q=0$)

$$pV^{\kappa} = \textit{konst.}$$

+ ideal gas law

Poisson's constant

$$\kappa = \frac{C_P}{C_V}$$

Using other variables

$$V^{\kappa-1}T = \textit{konst.}$$

$$p^{1-\kappa}T^{\kappa} = \textit{konst.}$$

Poisson's constant

Air	1.40	SO ₂	1.29
Hydrogen	1.41	CO ₂	1.304
Oxygen	1.401	CH ₄	1.31

Adiabatic process

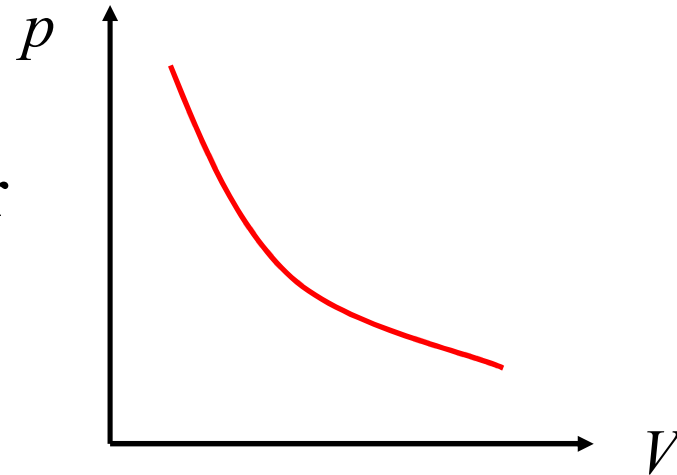
Work $A = \int_{V_1}^{V_2} p dV$

Heat $Q = 0$

Internal energy

$$\Delta U = -A$$

Adiabatic curve has higher slope than isothermal one



Heat capacities for ideal gas

First law of thermodynamics $dQ = dU + pdV$

$$dQ = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_V dT + \left[p + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V} \right)_T \right] dV$$

$$K_P - K_V = \left[p + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V} \right)_T \right] \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_p$$

Heat capacity at constant volume or pressure

$$K_V = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_V$$

Mayer's formula

For an ideal gas

$$\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\right)_T = 0$$

Difference in heat capacities for isovolumetric and isobaric process

$$K_P - K_V = \left[p + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\right)_T \right] \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\right)_p = nR$$

Brownian motion

Unstable and random motion of tiny pollen particles ($1\mu\text{m}$) in liquid

Explanation - A.Einstein, M.Smoluchovski (1925-1927)

Non-compensated impulse transfer at pollen particles and water molecules

Experiments – J.B.Perrin (1910-15)

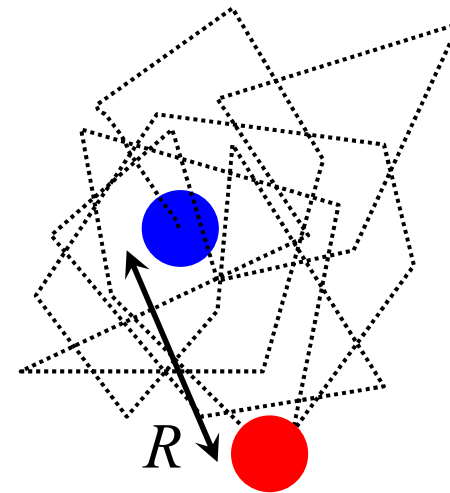
Avogadro's constant measurement

Brownian motion

Root-mean-square displacement (mean “walk”)
during time t

$$\overline{R^2} = \frac{k_B T}{\pi r \eta} t$$

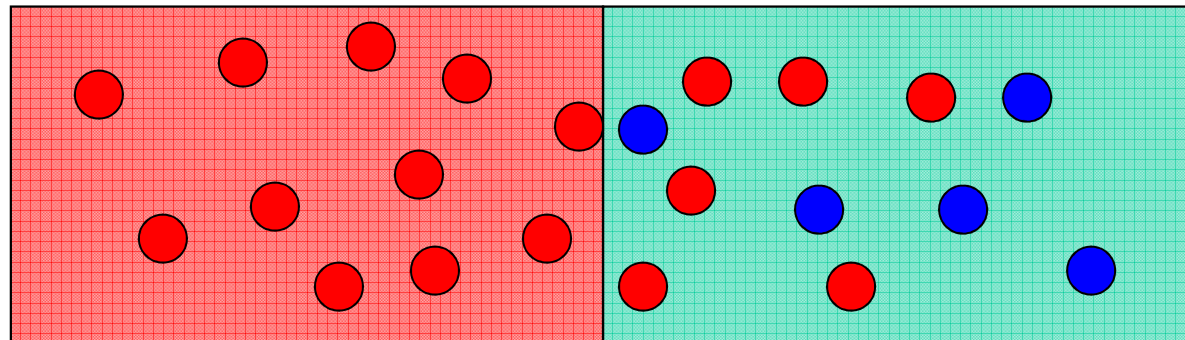
η ... dynamic viscosity [Pa.s]



Diffusion

Transport of particles – concentration changes

- Homo-diffusion
- Hetero-diffusion



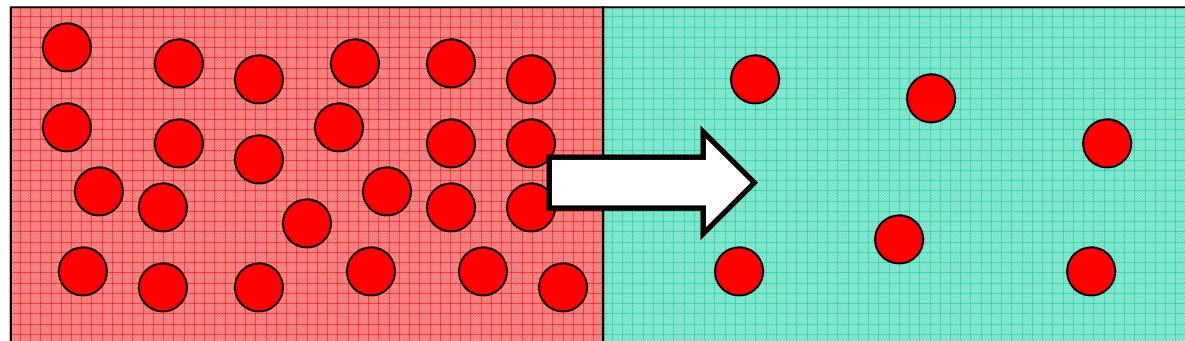
Transfer of fragrances, aerosols, fog, smoke etc. in gasses, particles in colloidal suspensions etc.

Diffusion

- Concentration gradient
- Rate of diffusion – diffusion coefficient

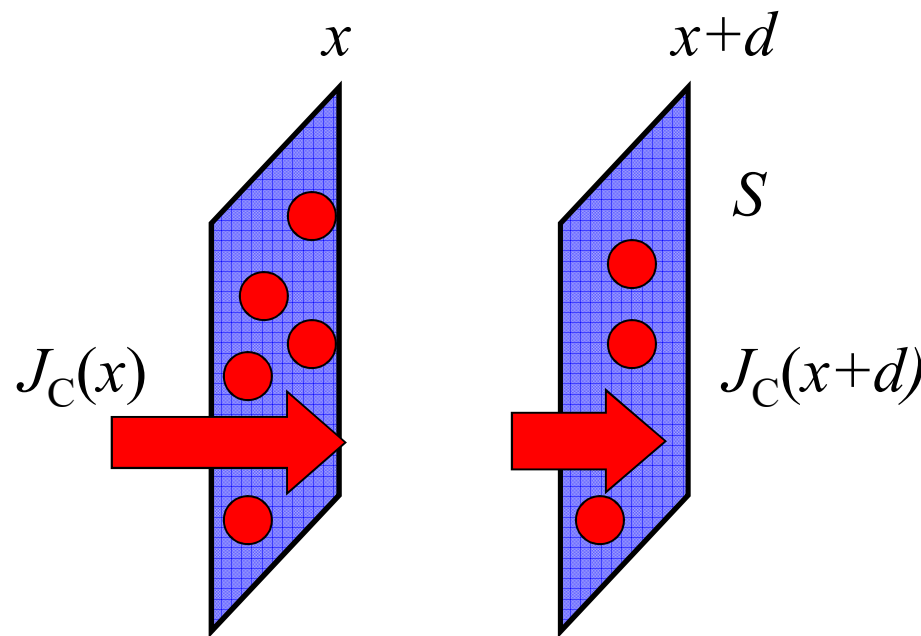
First Fick's law

$$J_C = D \frac{\Delta C}{\Delta x}, \quad [D] = m^2 s^{-1}$$



Second Fick's law

Change in concentration in volume V is equal to the difference of diffusion ratio (in- and out-coming)



$$V \frac{\Delta C}{\Delta \tau} = S[J_C(x+d) - J_C(x)]$$

$$\frac{\Delta C}{\Delta \tau} = \frac{\Delta J_C}{\Delta x}$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial \tau} = D \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial x^2}$$

Diffusion coefficients

Tabulka 6-1 Hodnoty difúzních součinitelů D některých směsí

Difundující látka	Difúzní prostředí	D ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$)	Teplota T ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)
H_2	N_2	$6,74 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0
H_2	O_2	$6,97 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0
H_2	vzduch	$6,11 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0
O_2	N_2	$1,81 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0
NH_3	vzduch	$1,98 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0
NaCl	voda	$1,24 \cdot 10^{-9}$	18
HCl	voda	$3,13 \cdot 10^{-9}$	20
$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}$	voda	$1,01 \cdot 10^{-9}$	20
Au	Cu	$2,9 \cdot 10^{-16}$	550
Au	Ge	$5,0 \cdot 10^{-14}$	800
Au	Si	$3,0 \cdot 10^{-11}$	1 300
Pb	Pb	$2,1 \cdot 10^{-24}$	20
Pb	Pb	$5,8 \cdot 10^{-18}$	165
Pb	Pb	$6,7 \cdot 10^{-14}$	320

Dynamic viscosity of gas

Independent from the density and pressure of an ideal gas

$$\eta = \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} \sqrt{\frac{m_0 k_B T}{\pi}}$$

Reality – small dependence on pressure – e.g. CO₂

$$10^5 \text{Pa} \quad \eta = 14.9 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{Pa} \cdot \text{s}$$

$$300 \text{Pa} \quad \eta = 14.7 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{Pa} \cdot \text{s}$$

Measurement of gas viscosity could give molecule radius r

Real gasses

Mutual molecular interactions exist

Such effect must be taken into account – e.g.
impossible compression to the zero volume
etc.

Approximative equations of state

- Van der Waals' equation
- Virial expansion

Non-ideal gas equation of state

J.D.van der Waals, 1873

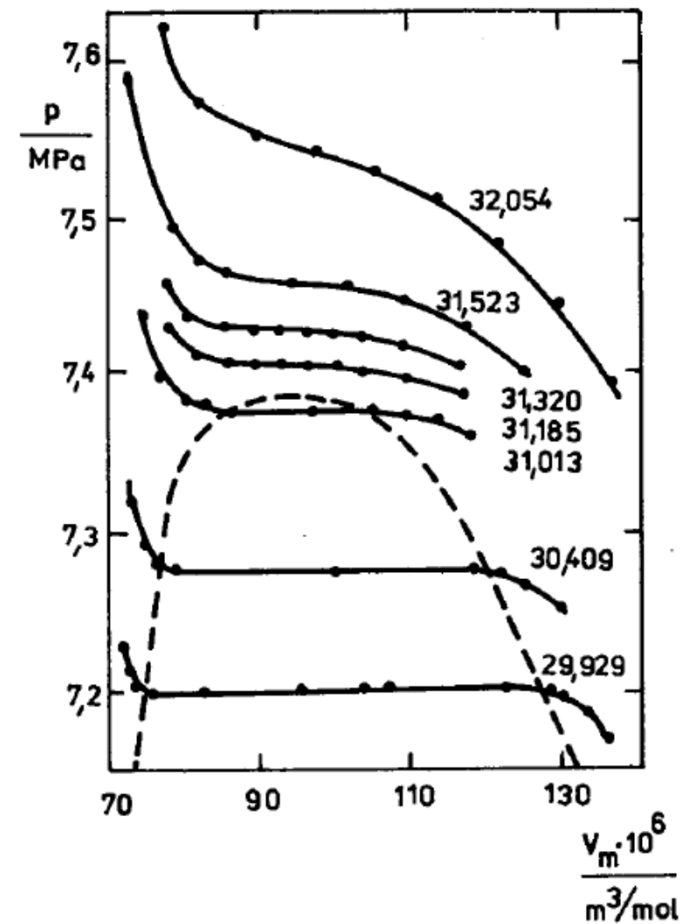
$$\left(p + \frac{a}{V_m^2} \right) (V_m - b) = RT$$

Molar volume $V_m = V/n$

Constants a, b are characteristics of attractive and repulsive forces among molecules – different for different gasses

Isothermal curves of van der Waals' gas

Michels 1937 – isothermal curves for CO₂



Van der Waals' coefficients

Tabulka 7-2 Van der Waalsovy koeficienty a hodnoty kompresibilitního faktoru z_k

Látka	Van der Waalsovy koeficienty		Kompresibilitní faktor z_k
	a (J · m ³ · mol ⁻²)	b · 10 ⁶ (m ³ · mol ⁻¹)	
Ar	0,134	32,2	0,308
Cl ₂	0,650	56,2	0,229
He	0,003 4	23,6	0,307
N ₂	0,135	38,6	0,291
Ne	0,209	17,0	0,255
O ₂	0,136	31,7	0,294
CO	0,145	39,5	0,245
CO ₂	0,365 7	42,84	0,275
H ₂ O	0,552	30,4	0,226
CH ₄	0,229	42,75	0,286

Virial expansion

Compressibility factor

$$z = \frac{pV_m}{RT} = 1 + \frac{B(T)}{V_m} + \frac{C(T)}{V_m^2} + \frac{D(T)}{V_m^3} + \dots$$

Virial coefficients B, C, D, ...

H.Kamerling-Onnes, 1901 – infinite expansion series

Van der Waals's equation

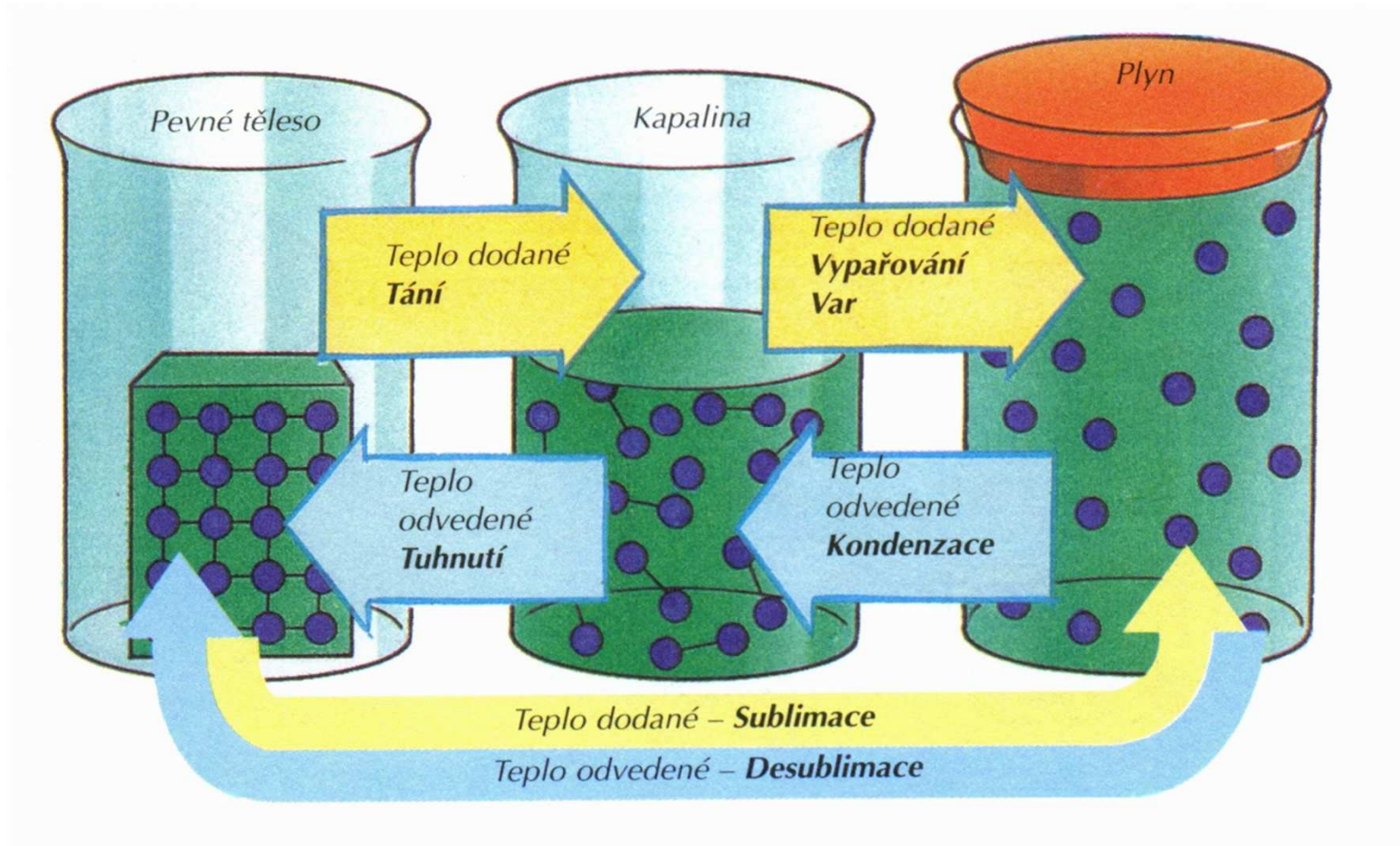
$$B(T) = b - a/RT, \quad C(T) = b^2$$

Phases

- Phase transitions
- Phase diagram
- Calorimetry
- Air humidity

Phase transitions

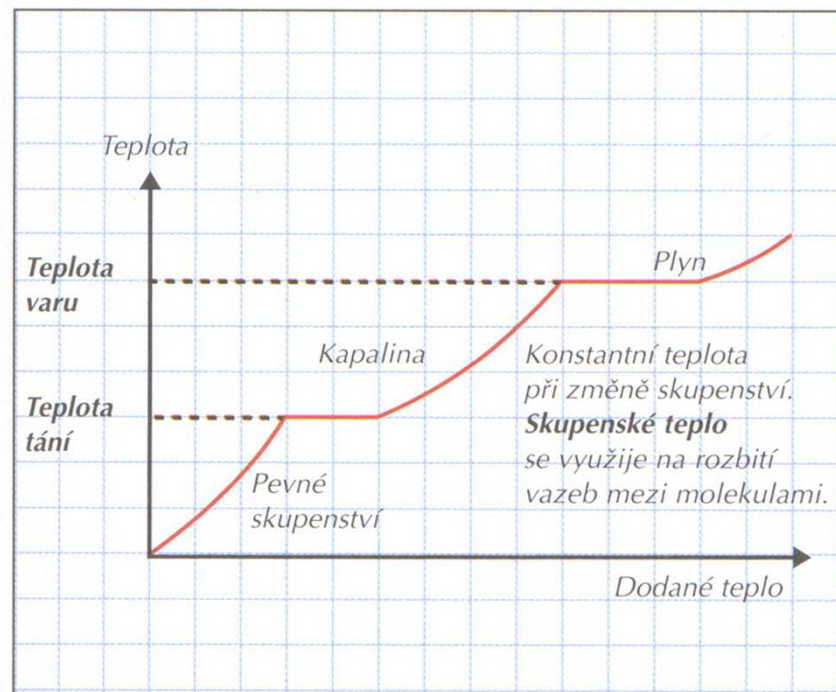
melting, boiling, sublimation, solidification, condensation



Latent heat – temperature increase

Heat delivered to the substance for the change of phase

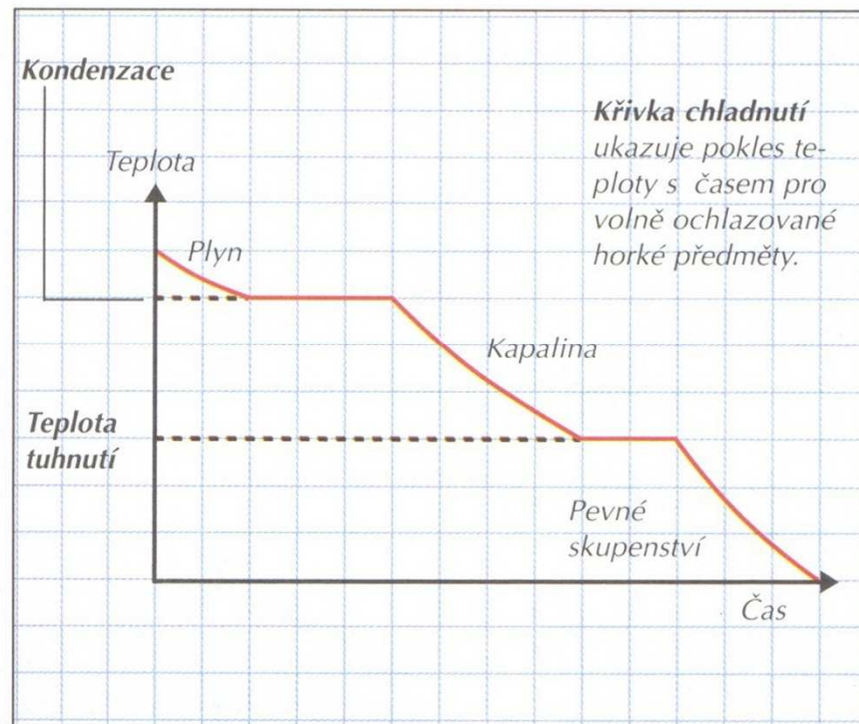
Graf ukazující růst teploty s dodaným teplem



Latent heat – temperature decrease

Heat taken from the substance for the change of phase

Graf ukazující pokles teploty při ochlazování předmětu



Latent heat

Heat needed for the change of phase

Necessary for the change of matter structure

$$L = lm$$

Specific latent heat

$$l = \frac{L}{m} \quad [Jkg^{-1}]$$

Specific latent heat

Substance	melting		boiling	
	$T[^\circ\text{C}]$	$l[\text{kJkg}^{-1}]$	$T[^\circ\text{C}]$	$l[\text{kJkg}^{-1}]$
Fe	1535	289	2750	6340
Cu	1084	204	2567	4790
Al	660	399	2467	10500
H ₂ O	0	334	100	2256

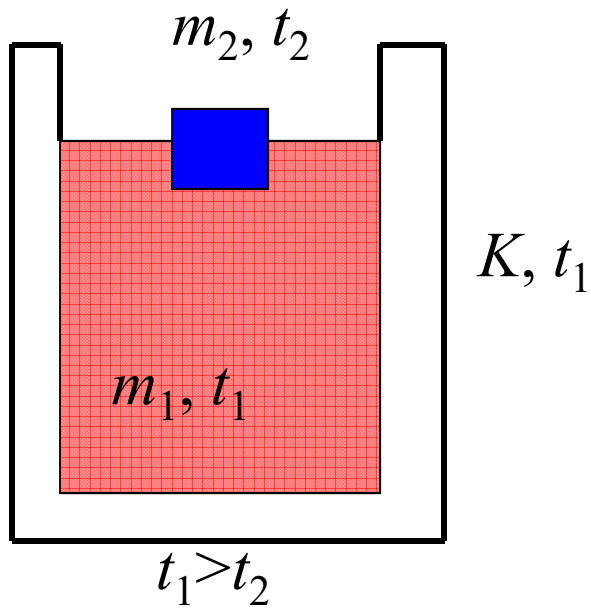
Calorimetric equation

Simplification of the first law of thermodynamics in case of negligible work done ($A \ll Q$)

$$Q_{in} = Q_{out}$$

Example of calorimetry

$$m_2 c_2 (t_{\text{melt}} - t_2) + m_2 l_2 + m_2 c_2' (t - t_{\text{melt}}) = m_1 c_1 (t_1 - t) + K(t_1 - t)$$

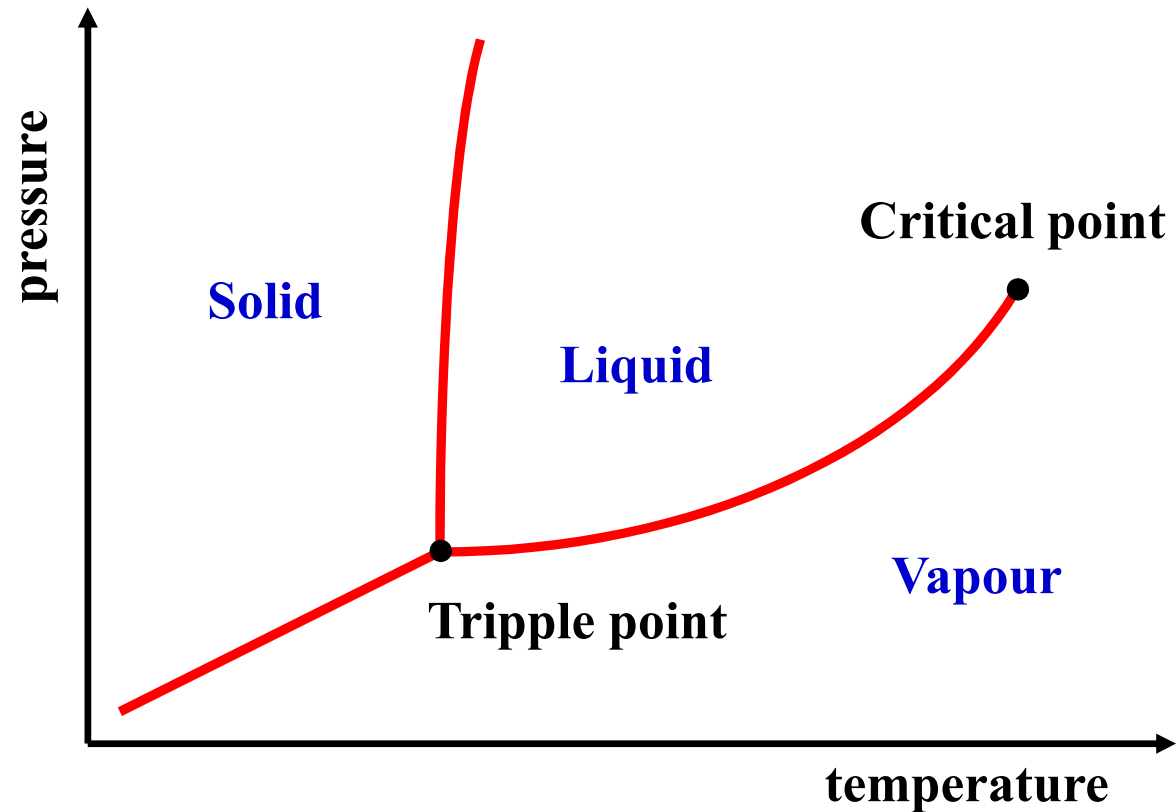


Final temperature $t_2 < t < t_1$

“whisky on the rocks”

Phase diagram

Equilibrium between phases – coexistence



Clausius – Clapeyron's equation

Change of phase transition temperature with pressure

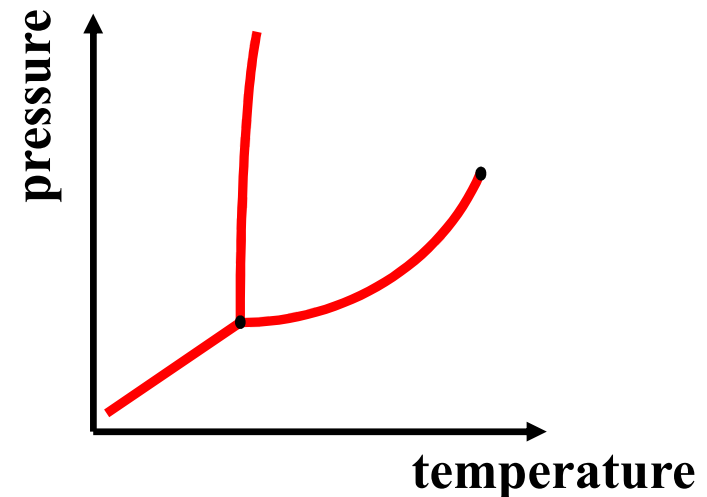
$$v_2 - v_1 = \frac{l \Delta T}{T \Delta p}$$

l ...specific latent heat

$v_2, v_1 = 1/\rho_1$... specific volumes
of phases

T ... phase transition temperature

p ...pressure



Clausius – Clapeyron's equation

Water – ice melting point

$$\frac{\Delta T}{\Delta p} = \frac{(v_2 - v_1)T}{l} = -9 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ KPa}^{-1}$$

Specific latent heat $l = 334000 \text{ Jkg}^{-1}$, $v = 1/\rho$,

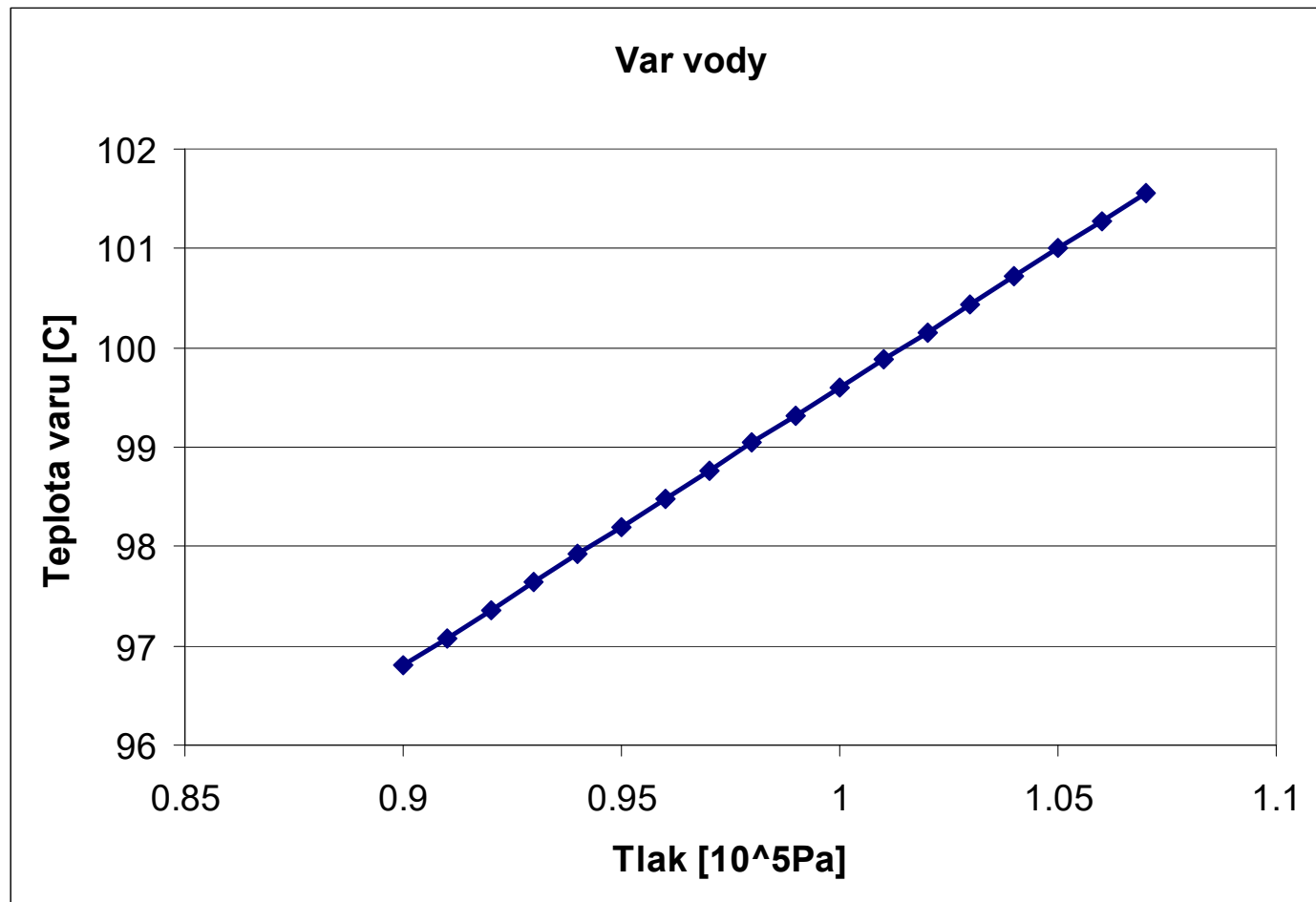
$\rho_2 = 1000 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$ water, $\rho_1 = 900 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$ ice,

$T = 273 \text{ K}$ melting point

Change of melting point below ice-skate

($S = 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2$, $G = 1000 \text{ N}$, $\Delta T = -0.09 \text{ K}$)

Boiling point of water



Air humidity

- Absolute = mass of water vapour per 1m³ of air

$$\Phi = \frac{m}{V} \quad [kgm^{-3}]$$

- Relative

$$\varphi = \frac{\Phi}{\Phi_{\max}} \quad [\%]$$

Optimum humidity for humans 65-70%

Saturated vapour

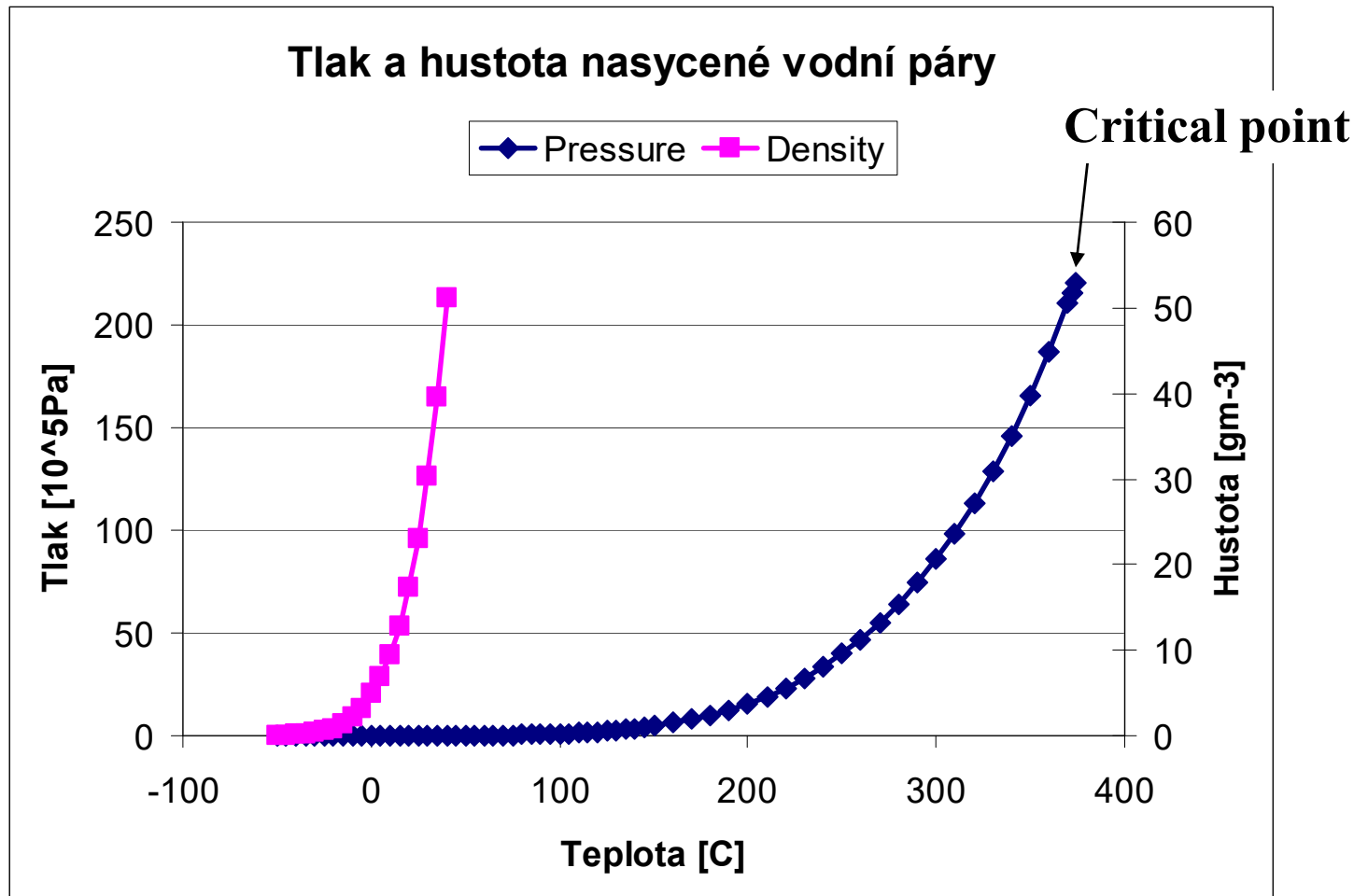
- Equilibrium between ratios of particles changing phase from liquid to vapour and back

Maximum vapour content is limited in an air Φ_{\max}

Dew point (t_s [°C]) – temperature of saturated vapour at given vapour content, i.e. temperature when condensation starts

$t_s < 0^\circ\text{C}$ white frost, $t_s > 0^\circ\text{C}$ dew

Saturated water vapour



Air humidity, dew point – example

$t[^\circ\text{C}]$	$\Phi_{\text{max}}[\text{gm}^{-3}]$
30	30.4
25	23.0
20	17.3
15	12.8
10	9.4
5	6.8
0	4.9
-5	3.3

50% humidity at 20°C, i.e.
 8.7gm^{-3} of water vapour

$$\Phi_{\text{max}} = 8.7\text{gm}^{-3}$$

Water vapour is saturated
at the temperature close to
9°C

Dew point is 9°C

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