



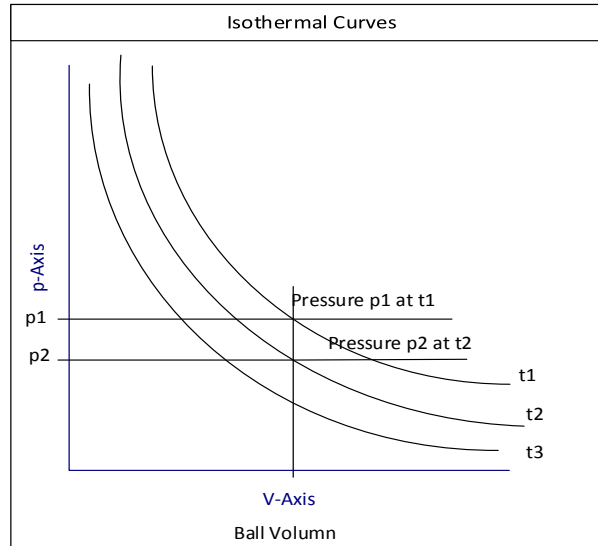
Boyle's Law:

$pV = C$; C is constant when the temperature and mass are constant.

p represents the absolute pressure

V the volume

The relation between the pressure and volume of an ideal gas at constant temperature is shown in the isothermal curves of the graph, where p is plotted vertically and V horizontally. The curves are equilaterally hyperbolic and asymptotic to the p - and V - axis. (Examples of t curves not to scale)



Each example isothermal curve corresponds to a different temperature ($t_1 > t_2 > t_3$). For each constant temperature (t), $pV = C$, along the isothermal curve. The constant is larger the higher the temperature. The constant is not important in this example.

Example: If a football with volume V is inflated at temperature t_1 , using isothermal curve t_1 , at the point (V, p_1) the pressure p_1 can be taken along the p -axis. Next by moving to the t_2 isothermal curve and finding the point where V intersects with isothermal curve t_2 the pressure p_2 can be observed along the p -axis, and p_2 will be less than p_1 .

This is the simplest pictorial explanation why there will be less pressure in the football ball after being exposed for a period of time to a lower temperature. (wiki Thermal Behavior of Gases)

A Ball or Mason jar lid will seal when the high temperature of jelly cools down to room temperature. Car tire pressure is lower when exposed to colder temperature.

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