

example 1: a student produces 38.3 ml of O₂ gas in a burette. The next day, there are 40.2 ml of gas in the burette and the pressure was 109 kpa. what was the initial pressure of the gas?

Given: V₁ = 38.3 ml

$$V_2 = 40.2 \text{ ml}$$

$$P_2 = 103 \text{ kpa}$$

Solution: $P_1V_1 = P_2V_2$

$$P_1(38.3) = 103 (40.2)$$

$$P_1 = 108.11 \text{ kpa}$$

example 2: a 45.6 ml sample of gas at 490 torr is compressed to a certain volume at 3 atm

Given: V₁ = 45.6 mm

$$P_1 = 490 \text{ torr}$$

$$P_2 = 3 \text{ atm}$$

*since torr and atm was given, convert one of them to torr or atm, units of measurements should all be the same

Solution. atm : torr

$$1 \quad : \quad 760$$

$$x \quad : \quad 490$$

$$760x = 490$$

$$x = 0.644736842$$

$$x = 0.645$$

$P_1V_1 = P_2V_2$

$$(0.645) (45.6) = 3 V_2$$

$$V_2 = 9.804 \text{ ml}$$