

4 Fig. 4.1 shows gas trapped in a cylinder by a piston.

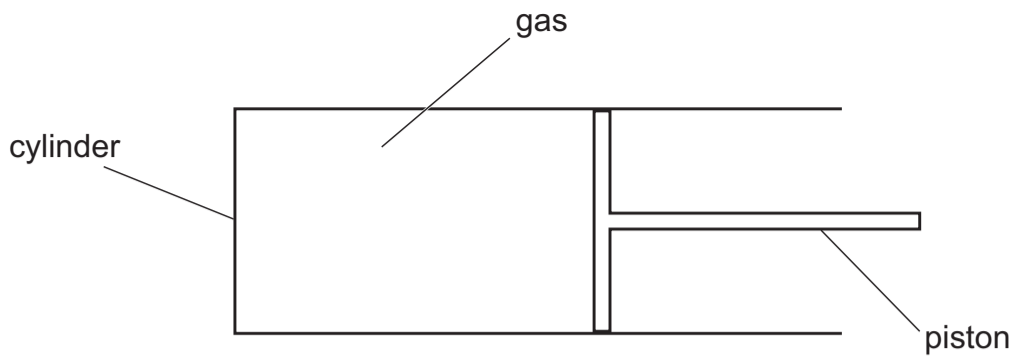


Fig. 4.1

(a) The volume of gas is  $240 \text{ cm}^3$ .  
The piston is pushed to the left and is held in its new position.

(i) The pressure of the gas increases from  $1.0 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$  to  $1.4 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ .

The temperature of the gas remains constant.

Calculate the volume of the gas when the piston is in its new position.

volume = .....  $\text{cm}^3$  [3]

(ii) The area of the piston in contact with the gas is  $1.9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2$ .

Calculate the force exerted on the piston by the gas when the piston is held in its new position.

force = ..... [2]

(iii) The distance moved by the piston is  $0.036 \text{ m}$ . The average force exerted by the piston as it moves is  $220 \text{ N}$ .

Calculate the mechanical work done by the piston. State the equation you use.

work done = ..... [2]

(b) Explain, in terms of particles, why gases can be compressed but liquids cannot.

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