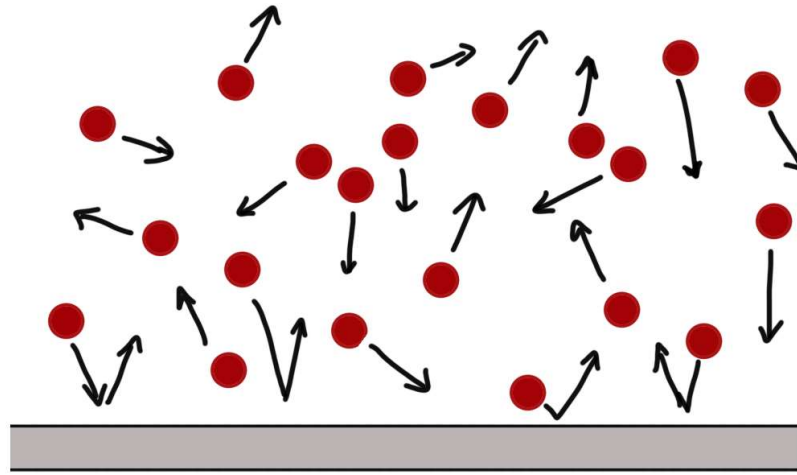




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Force  
per area

density = # per  
volume

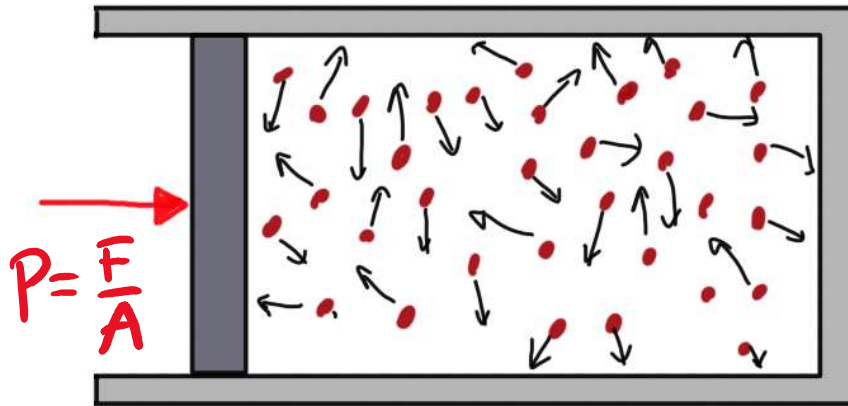
$$P = \text{const.} \cdot \frac{N}{V} \cdot m \cdot v_{\text{avg}}^2$$

Avg. kinetic  
energy per  
molecule

proportional to  
TEMPERATURE

const  $\times$  T

# IDEAL GAS LAW



molecular density

avg. kinetic energy per molecule

$$P = \text{const} \cdot \frac{N}{V} \cdot E_{\text{avg}}^{\text{kin}}$$

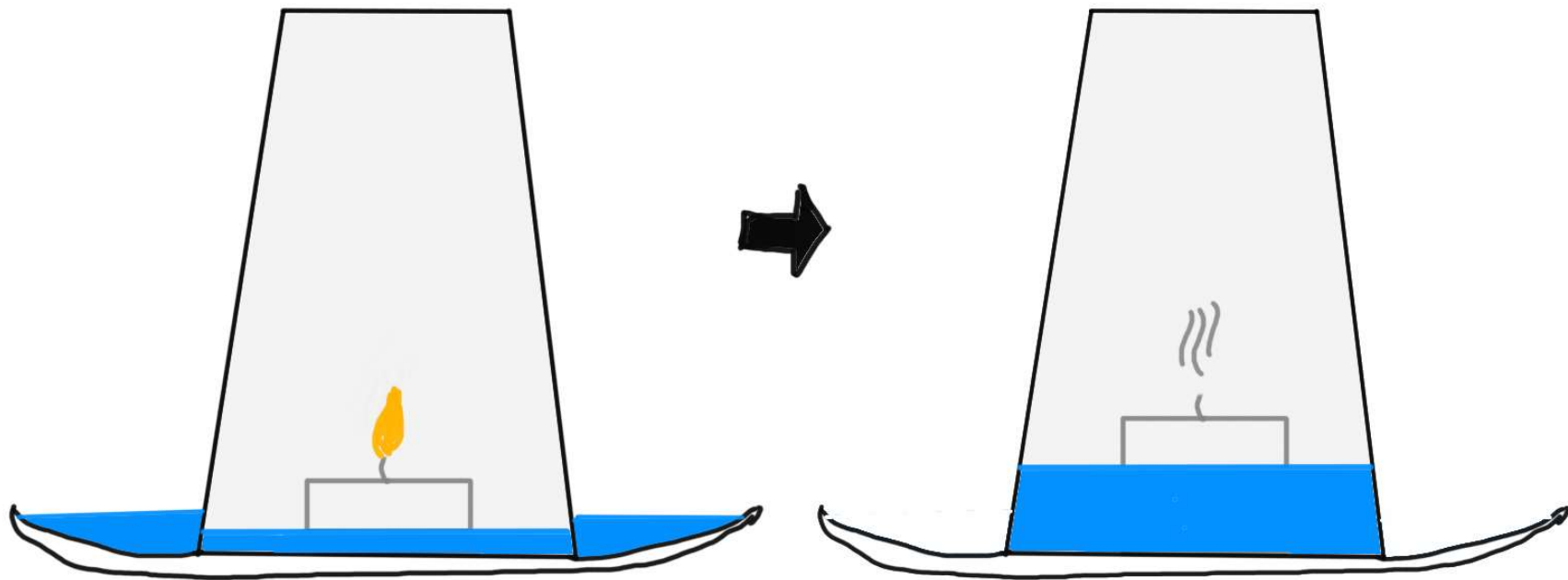


$$PV = n \cdot R \cdot T$$

# moles

$8.31 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}}$

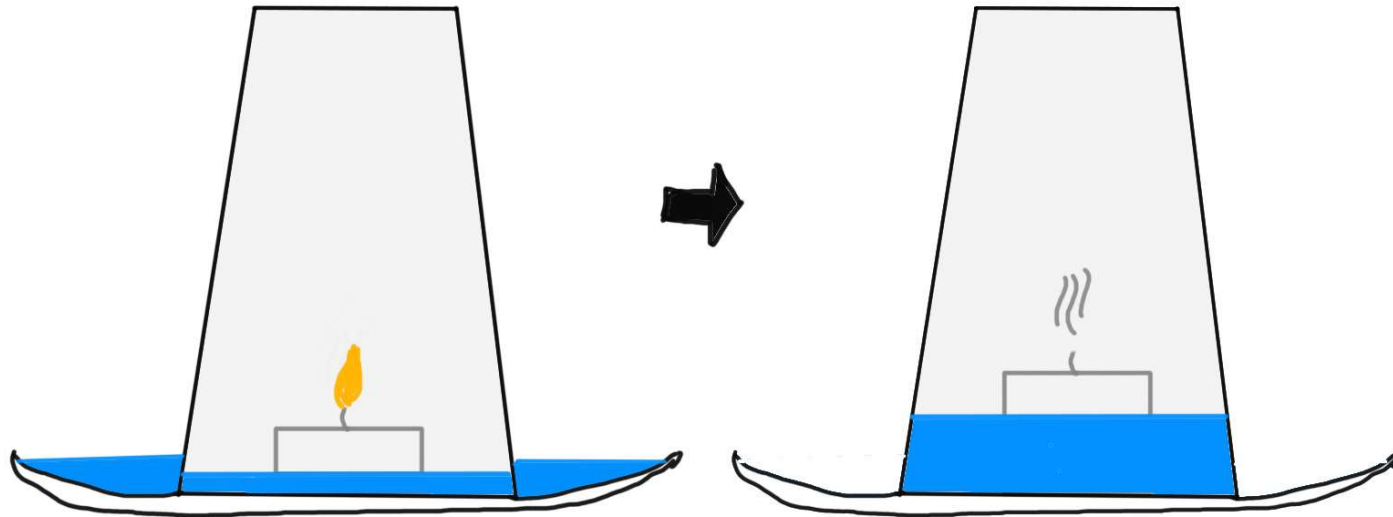
Tells us how much force a gas exerts on the wall



video: search thirstycup Raamsdonk on Youtube

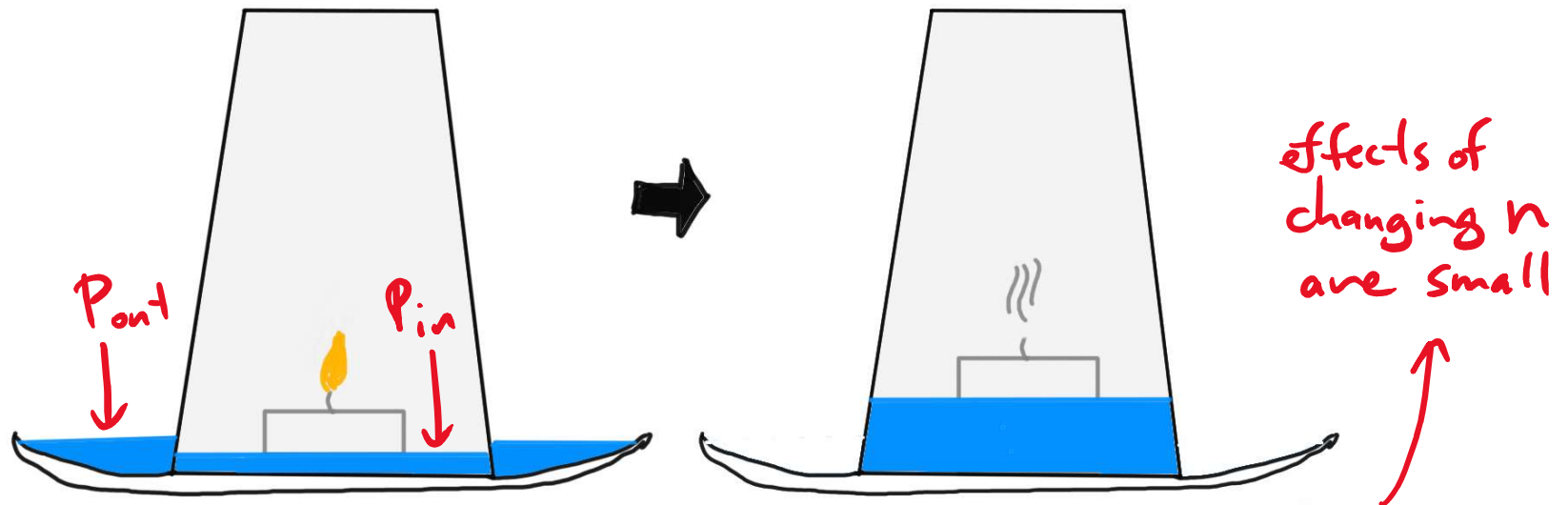
Why?

Hint:  $PV = nRT$



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Note:  $O_2$  is being consumed, but it's being replaced by other molecules ( $CO_2, H_2O$ )

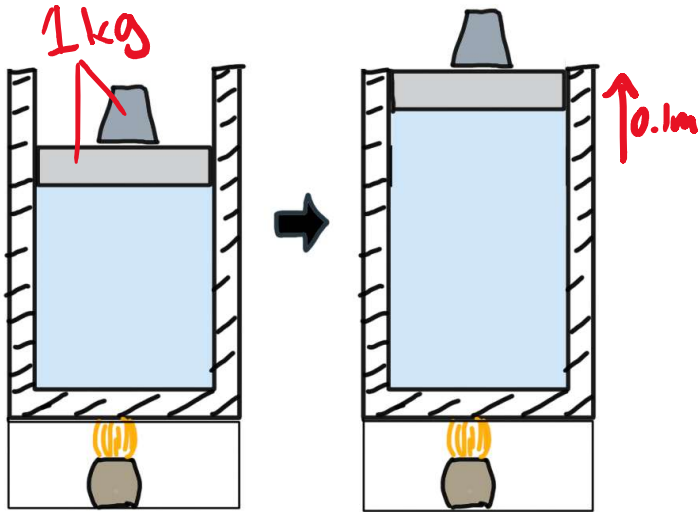
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pressure inside decreases

water is pushed into cup, since outside pressure is higher

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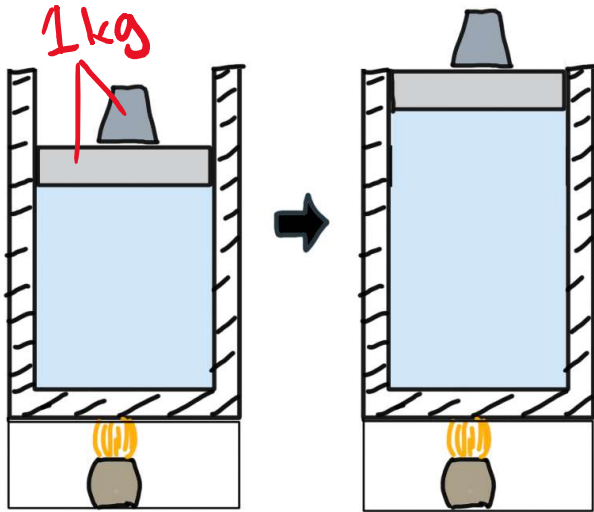
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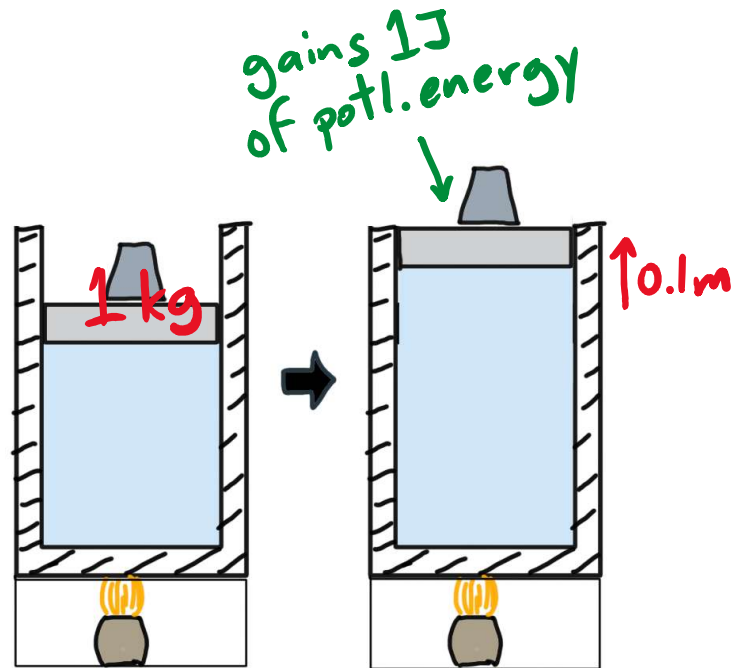
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Change in potl. energy of weight + piston is  
 $mg \Delta h \approx 1 \cdot 10 \cdot 0.1 = 1J$ . This energy must come from the gas. So we have 10J in but 1J out leaving a change of +9J.



WORK = energy transferred by a mechanical process



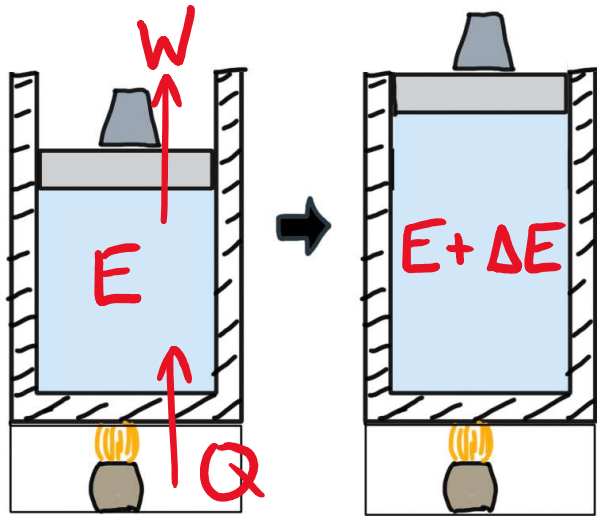
The gas did  $\sim 1\text{ J}$  of work on the piston.

$$W_{\text{gas}} = 1\text{ J}$$

work done BY the gas

# THE FIRST LAW OF THERMODYNAMICS

= Conservation of energy



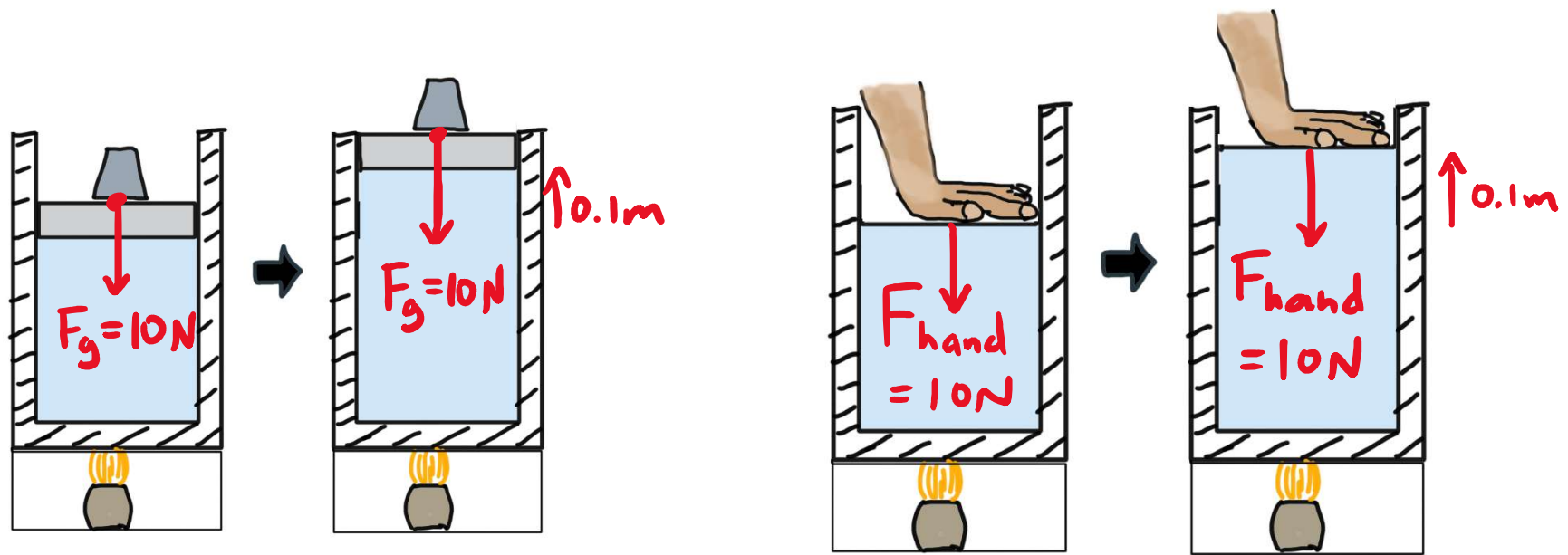
$$\Delta E_{\text{gas}} = Q - W$$

↑ net change in energy of gas

↑ heat added to gas

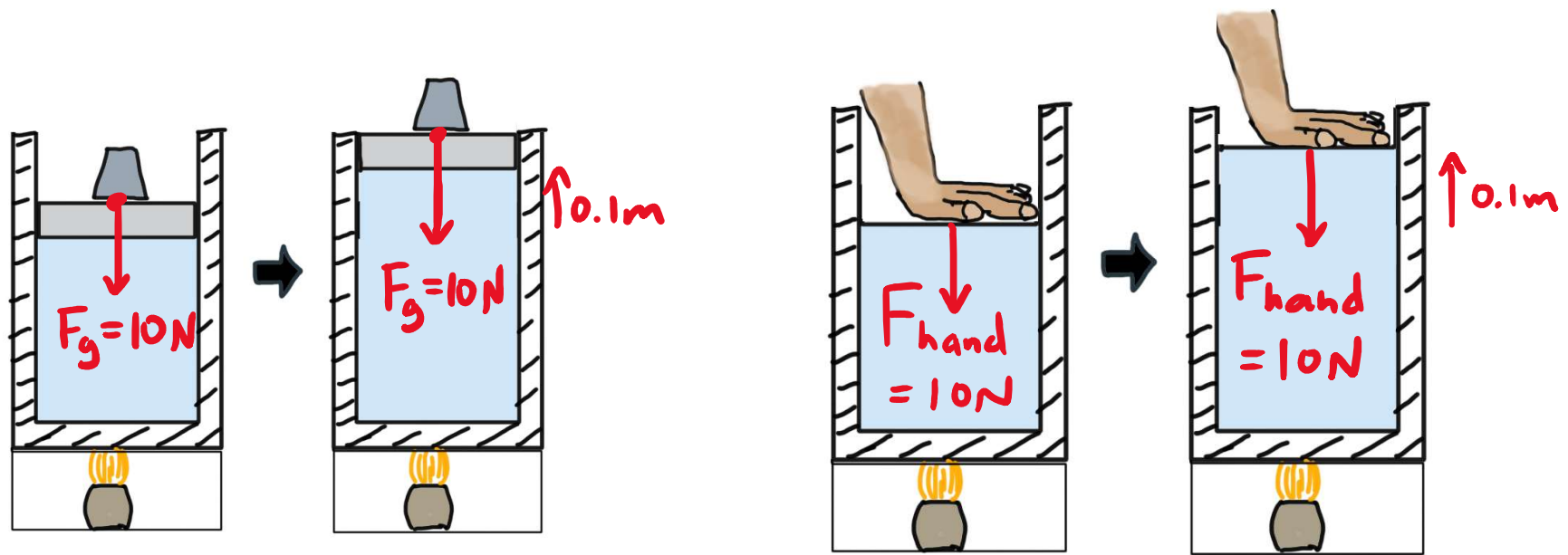
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★  $E_{\text{gas}}$  is often called  $U$  ★



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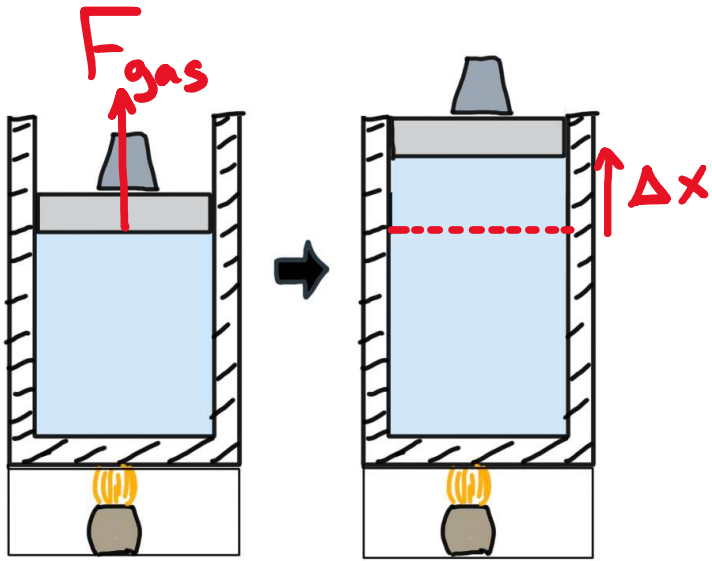
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Gas can't tell what is pushing down. Exactly the same situation from the point of view of the gas, so same energy lost via work.



First example:

$$W = (mg) \cdot \Delta x$$

$$= F_{\text{gas}} \cdot \Delta x$$

This is ALWAYS the work done by the gas, regardless of what it is pressing against.

$$W = F \cdot \Delta x_{\parallel} \quad (\text{constant force})$$

Force  
exerted

displacement in  
direction of force

general expression for work.