

- please answer all **5 questions** in the spaces provided
- allow about 10 minutes per question
- a calculator and the equation sheet provided may be used

- all questions are of equal value
- no books or notes are allowed
- no marks for unreadable answers!

1. A tank contains ethane gas at 350 K. The density of the gas is 174.5 g L<sup>-1</sup>. [6]

- a) Show that the molar volume of ethane is 0.1723 L mol<sup>-1</sup>. (The molecular weight of ethane is 30.07 g mol<sup>-1</sup>.)

$$\text{density } \rho = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{volume}} = \frac{M}{V_m}$$

$$V_m = \frac{M}{\rho} = \frac{30.07 \text{ g mol}^{-1}}{174.5 \text{ g L}^{-1}} = 0.1723 \text{ L mol}^{-1}$$

- b) Calculate the pressure in the tank using the ideal gas equation.

$$P = \frac{nRT}{V} = \frac{RT}{V/n} = \frac{RT}{V_m}$$

$$= \frac{(0.08314 \text{ L bar K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1})(350 \text{ K})}{0.1723 \text{ L mol}^{-1}}$$

$$P = 168.9 \text{ bar}$$

- c) Calculate the pressure in the tank using the van der Walls gas equation.  
(For ethane:  $a = 5.58 \text{ L}^2 \text{ bar mol}^{-2}$  and  $b = 0.0651 \text{ L mol}^{-1}$ )

$$P = \frac{RT}{V_m - b} - \frac{a}{V_m^2}$$

$$= \frac{(0.08314 \text{ L bar K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1})(350 \text{ K})}{(0.1723 - 0.0651) \text{ L mol}^{-1}} - \frac{5.58 \text{ L}^2 \text{ bar mol}^{-2}}{(0.1723 \text{ L mol}^{-1})^2}$$

$$= 271.4 \text{ bar} - 188.0 \text{ bar}$$

$$P = 83.4 \text{ bar}$$

- d) For safety reasons, the pressure in the tank should not exceed 100 bar, or it might burst! Is the tank in danger of bursting? Explain.

Probably not - the pressure calculated in part b (including nonideal behavior) is < 100 bar and probably more reliable

2. a) 10.0 L of helium initially at 300 K and 4.00 bar expands adiabatically into a vacuum (constant  $p_{\text{external}} = 0$ ). The final volume is 25.0 L.

[6]

Calculate  $\Delta U$ ,  $\Delta H$ ,  $q$  and  $w$  for this process assuming ideal-gas behavior.

$$q = 0 \quad (\text{adiabatic})$$

$$w = - \int_{V_i}^{V_f} p_{\text{external}} dV$$

$$= - p_{\text{external}} \int_{V_i}^{V_f} dV \quad (p_{\text{external}} \text{ constant})$$

$$= - p_{\text{external}} (V_f - V_i)$$

$$w = 0$$

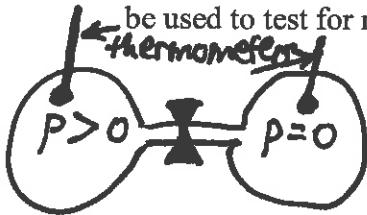
$$\Delta U = q + w = 0 + 0$$

$$\Delta U = 0 \quad \text{isothermal process}$$

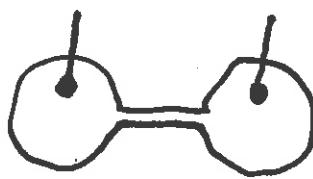
$U$  depends only on  $T$  (ideal gas)  
so  $\Delta T = 0$  if  $\Delta U = 0$

$$\Delta H = 0 \quad \text{isothermal ideal gas}$$

- b) Briefly describe how a lab experiment based on the process described in part a) could be used to test for nonideal gas behavior.



open  
valve



any  
temperature  
change?

(course notes  
and p. 52 in textbook)

if yes: nonideal gas!

3. Data for liquid water 25 °C and 1.00 bar:

$$[6] \quad \beta = 0.000204 \text{ K}^{-1} \quad V_m = 18.07 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1} \quad C_{pm} = 75.3 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

10.00 moles of liquid water is heated from 298 K to 350 K at a constant pressure of 1.00 bar. For this process, calculate:

a)  $q$        $C_{pm} = \frac{dq_m}{dT}$

per mole:  $dq_m = C_{pm} dT$

$$q_m = \int_{T_i}^{T_f} dq_m = \int_{T_i}^{T_f} C_{pm} dT$$

assume  $C_{pm}$   
is constant  
(no other info  
provided)

$$= C_{pm} (T_f - T_i) = \left(75.3 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K mol}}\right) (350 - 298) \text{ K}$$

$$q_m = 3916 \text{ J mol}^{-1}$$

for 10.00 mol:  $q = n q_m = (10.00 \text{ mol}) \left(3916 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{mol}}\right) = \boxed{39160 \text{ J}}$

b)  $\Delta V$  (the volume change)

$\beta$  is small (only 0.0204 % change in  $V$  per degree)

so  $\Delta V$  is small and  $\beta = \frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_P \approx \frac{1}{V} \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta T}$

$$\Delta V \approx \beta V \Delta T = \beta n V_m \Delta T \quad (\Delta T = 52 \text{ K})$$

$$= (0.000204 \text{ K}^{-1}) (10.00 \text{ mol}) (18.07 \frac{\text{cm}^3}{\text{mol}}) (52 \text{ K})$$

$$\boxed{\Delta V = 1.92 \text{ cm}^3}$$

$$\beta dT = \frac{dV}{V} \Rightarrow \beta \int_{T_i}^{T_f} dT = \int_{V_i}^{V_f} \frac{dV}{V}$$

$$\beta(T_f - T_i) = \ln V_f - \ln V_i = \ln \left( \frac{V_f}{V_i} \right)$$

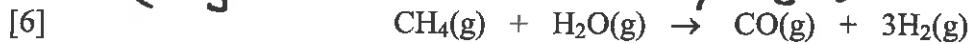
$$e^{\beta(T_f - T_i)} = \frac{V_f}{V_i}$$

$$V_f = V_i e^{\beta(T_f - T_i)} = (10 \text{ mol}) (18.07 \frac{\text{cm}^3}{\text{mol}}) e^{0.000204(52)} = 182.63 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\Delta V = V_f - V_i = 182.63 - 180.7 = 1.93 \text{ cm}^3$$

4. a) Calculate  $\Delta U^\circ$ ,  $\Delta H^\circ$ ,  $q$  and  $w$  for the following reaction at 25 °C and 1 bar.

(major source of industrial hydrogen)



$$\Delta n_{\text{gas}} = \frac{\text{product side}}{\text{reactant side}} = \frac{4-2}{2} = 2$$

Data at 25 °C:  $\Delta H_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{CH}_4, \text{g}) = -74.6 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

$C_{\text{pm}}^\circ(\text{CH}_4, \text{g}) = 35.7 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

$\Delta H_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{H}_2\text{O}, \text{g}) = -241.8 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

$C_{\text{pm}}^\circ(\text{H}_2\text{O}, \text{g}) = 33.6 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

$\Delta H_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{CO}, \text{g}) = -110.6 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

$C_{\text{pm}}^\circ(\text{CO}, \text{g}) = 29.1 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

$\Delta H_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{H}_2, \text{g}) = 0$

$C_{\text{pm}}^\circ(\text{H}_2, \text{g}) = 28.8 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

$$\Delta H = q \quad (\text{constant pressure, only } p\text{-V work})$$

$$= \Delta H_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{CO}, \text{g}) + 3\Delta H_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{H}_2, \text{g}) - \Delta H_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{CH}_4, \text{g}) - \Delta H_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{H}_2\text{O}, \text{g})$$

$$= -110.6 + 3(0) - (-74.6) - (-241.8) \text{ kJ}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta H = q = 205.8 \text{ kJ}}$$

$$w = -RT \Delta n_{\text{gas}}$$

$$= -(8.314 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1})(298\text{K})(2 \text{ mol})$$

$$\boxed{w = -4955 \text{ J}}$$

$w < 0 \Rightarrow$  system expands, pushing back the surroundings  $\Delta n = +2$

$$\Delta U = q + w = 205.8 - 4.95$$

$$\boxed{\Delta U = 200.8 \text{ kJ}}$$

- b) Does  $\Delta H^\circ$  for the above reaction increase if the temperature is raised? Justify your answer.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta C_p^\circ &= C_{\text{pm}}^\circ(\text{CO}, \text{g}) + 3C_{\text{pm}}^\circ(\text{H}_2, \text{g}) - C_{\text{pm}}^\circ(\text{CH}_4, \text{g}) - C_{\text{pm}}^\circ(\text{H}_2\text{O}, \text{g}) \\ &= 29.1 + 3(28.8) - 35.7 - 33.6 \text{ J K}^{-1} \\ &= 46.2 \text{ J K}^{-1} > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\Delta H^\circ$  increases with temperature

Why? Because  
 $\frac{d\Delta H^\circ}{dT} = \Delta C_p^\circ$

5. a) Why is a minus included in the definition of the isothermal compressibility?

$$[6] \quad \kappa = -\frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial p} \right)_T$$

Convenience!

$\left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial p} \right)_T$  is always negative, so  $\kappa$  is always positive  
(saves tabulating minus signs)

- b) Explain why the following result

$$B(T) = b - \frac{a}{RT} \quad \begin{cases} \lim T \rightarrow \infty, B = b \\ \lim T \rightarrow 0, B = -\frac{a}{RT} \end{cases}$$

shows that repulsive and attractive intermolecular forces dominate at high and low temperatures, respectively.

at high temperature ( $T \rightarrow \infty$ ),  $B(T) \rightarrow b$   
( $a/RT$  gets small)

at low temperature ( $T \rightarrow 0$ ),  $B(T) \rightarrow -\frac{a}{RT}$   
( $-a/RT$  gets huge)

- c) Why is it a good approximation to assume  $C_{Vm}$  for helium gas is  $3R/2$ ?

→ monatomic → no rotations or vibrations

only 3 translations @  $\frac{R}{2}$  each

$$C_{Vm} = \frac{3}{2} R$$

- d) Prove  $\beta = 1/T$  for an ideal gas

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= \frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_P \\ &= \frac{1}{V} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left( \frac{nRT}{P} \right) \right]_P \\ &= \frac{1}{V} \frac{nR}{P} \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial T} \right)_P^{-1} \\ &= \frac{nR}{PV} = \frac{nR}{nRT} = \frac{1}{T} \quad \text{yes!} \end{aligned}$$

substitute  
 $n, R, P$  constant for this derivative  
for an ideal gas  $V = \frac{nRT}{P}$