

- please answer all 5 questions in the spaces provided
- you have two hours to write this test
- a calculator and the equation sheets provided may be used
- all questions are of equal value
- no books or notes are allowed
- no marks for unreadable answers

1. 2.00 moles of helium (assumed to be an ideal gas) expands isothermally from 15.0 L to 75.0 L at 300 K. For this process  $w = -6000$  J.

a) Explain why  $q = 6000$  J. (isothermal ideal gas  $\Rightarrow \Delta U = 0$ )  
 $\Delta U = 0 = q + w \quad q = -w = 6000$  J

b) Calculate  $\Delta G$ . (isothermal  $\Rightarrow dT = 0$ )

$$dG = -SdT + Vdp = Vdp = \frac{nRT}{P} dp$$

$$\Delta G = \int_{G_i}^{G_f} dG = \int_{P_i}^{P_f} \frac{nRT}{P} dp = nRT \int_{P_i}^{P_f} \frac{dp}{P} = nRT \ln\left(\frac{P_f}{P_i}\right)$$

$$\Delta G = nRT \ln\left(\frac{nRT/V_f}{nRT/V_i}\right) = (2.00 \text{ mol}) \left(8.314 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K mol}}\right) (300\text{K}) \ln\left(\frac{15.0\text{L}}{75.0\text{L}}\right) = -8028 \text{ J}$$

c) Show that  $\Delta S$  is  $26.8 \text{ J K}^{-1}$ .

$$dS = \frac{C_v}{T} dT + \frac{nR}{V} dV$$

$$\Delta S = \int_{S_i}^{S_f} dS = \int_{V_i}^{V_f} \frac{nR}{V} dV = nR \int_{V_i}^{V_f} \frac{dV}{V}$$

$$\Delta S = nR \ln\left(\frac{V_f}{V_i}\right) = (2.00 \text{ mol}) \left(8.314 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K mol}}\right) \ln\left(\frac{75.0\text{L}}{15.0\text{L}}\right) = 26.76 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}}$$

or, for b, we  $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S \Rightarrow \Delta G = -T\Delta S$  (isothermal ideal gas)

d) The expansion of the helium causes its entropy to increase:  $\Delta S > 0$ . Does this prove the expansion of the gas is irreversible? Explain.

**No!**  $\Delta S > 0$  proves a process is irreversible only for isolated systems, and the gas is not isolated ( $q = 6000$  J,  $w = -6000$  J)

(For example,  $\Delta S = nR \ln(V_f/V_i)$  is  $> 0$  for reversible isothermal expansions)

e) Is the expansion of the gas irreversible? Justify your answer.

**Yes!** for a reversible expansion from 15.0 to 75.0 L

$$w_{rev} = -nRT \ln(V_f/V_i) = -(2.00)(8.314)(300) \ln\left(\frac{75.0}{15.0}\right)$$

$$w_{rev} = -8028 \text{ J} \neq w (-6000 \text{ J})$$

(or)  $\Delta S + \Delta S_{sum} = (26.8 + \frac{-6000}{300}) \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}} = 6.8 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}} > 0$  for the universe (isolated)

(or)  $q \neq q_{rev}$  because  $\Delta S = 26.8 \text{ J K}^{-1} \neq \frac{q}{T} = \frac{6000 \text{ J}}{300 \text{ K}} = 20 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}}$

a reversible engine

$q_H = 1000 \text{ J}$

Q2. a) What is the maximum amount of work that can be performed by a steam engine that absorbs 1000 J of heat from a hot reservoir at 100 °C if the temperature of the cold reservoir is 20 °C?

$T_H = (273 + 100) \text{ K} = 373 \text{ K}$        $T_C = (273 + 20) \text{ K} = 293 \text{ K}$

max. engine efficiency (for a reversible engine)  $\epsilon = 1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H} = 1 - \frac{293 \text{ K}}{373 \text{ K}} = 0.214 = \frac{-W}{q_H}$

max. work done on the surroundings  $-W = q_H \epsilon = (1000 \text{ J})(0.214) = \boxed{214 \text{ J}}$

b) If the boiler temperature is raised by using supercritical steam, what is the maximum amount of work that can be performed by a steam engine that absorbs 1000 J of at 280 °C? Assume the cold reservoir remains at 20 °C.

$T_H = (273 + 280) \text{ K} = 553 \text{ K}$        $T_C = (273 + 20) \text{ K} = 293 \text{ K}$

max. engine efficiency (for a reversible engine)  $= 1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H} = 1 - \frac{293 \text{ K}}{553 \text{ K}} = 0.470$

max. work done on the surroundings  $-W = q_H \epsilon = (1000 \text{ J}) 0.470 = \boxed{470 \text{ J}}$

c) The efficiency of real engines is significantly lower than the value  $\epsilon = 1 - (T_C/T_H)$  derived using the Second Law. Why?

Real engines are not reversible, so  $\epsilon_{\text{real}} < 1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H}$ .  
(Real engines also have mechanical inefficiencies, such as friction.)

d) A heat pump operating between 0 °C and 20 °C absorbs 1000 J of heat from the cold reservoir.

$T_H = (273 + 20) \text{ K} = 293 \text{ K}$        $T_C = (273 + 0) \text{ K} = 273 \text{ K}$

i) What is the maximum amount of heat that can be delivered to the hot reservoir at 20 °C?

$q_C = 1000 \text{ J}$   
 $q_H = ?$   
for a reversible heat pump  $\frac{q_C}{T_C} + \frac{q_H}{T_H} = 0$   
 $-q_H = \frac{T_H}{T_C} q_C = \frac{293 \text{ K}}{273 \text{ K}} (1000 \text{ J}) = \boxed{1073 \text{ J}}$

ii) What is the minimum amount work that must be supplied to the heat pump in order to absorb 1000 J of heat from the cold reservoir?

$\epsilon = 1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H} = 1 - \frac{273 \text{ K}}{293 \text{ K}} = 0.068 = \frac{-W}{q_H}$

$-W = \epsilon q_H = 0.068 (-1073 \text{ J})$        $\boxed{W = 73 \text{ J}}$

73 J work provided 1000 J heat!

equilibrium constant  $K = P_{CO_2}$

3. This question refers to the chemical reaction  $CaCO_3(s) = CaO(s) + CO_2(g)$

a) How many different phases are present at equilibrium?

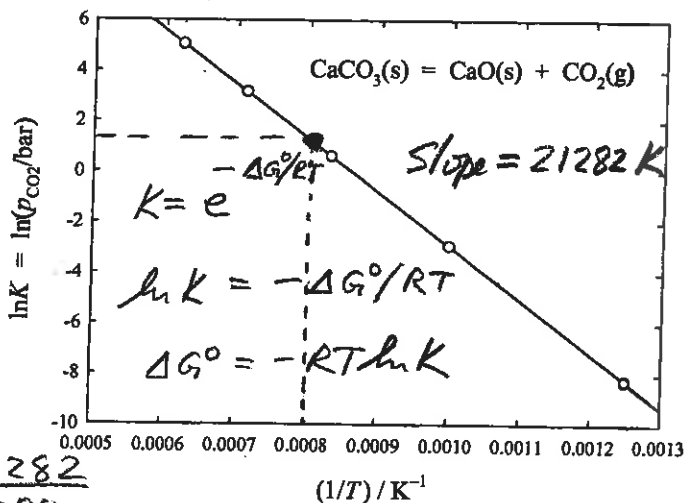
three calcium carbonate (s)  
calcium oxide (s)  
carbon dioxide (g)

(see Pset #8, Q1, Q3)

b) The logarithm of the equilibrium constant for the reaction is given by the equation

$$\ln K = 18.328 - \frac{21282}{T}$$

The graph shows  $\ln K$  plotted against  $1/T$ .



i) Calculate  $\Delta G_R^\circ$  at 1000 K.

at 1000 K:  $\ln K = 18.328 - \frac{21282}{1000}$

$$\ln K = -2.954$$

$$\Delta G^\circ = -RT \ln K = -(8.314 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1})(1000 \text{ K})(-2.954) = \boxed{24560 \text{ J}}$$

ii) Calculate  $\Delta H_R^\circ$  at 1000 K.

van't Hoff equation  $\frac{d \ln K}{d \frac{1}{T}} = \frac{-\Delta H_R^\circ}{R} = \frac{d}{d \frac{1}{T}} \left( 18.328 - \frac{21282}{T} \right) = -21282 \text{ K}$

$$\Delta H_R^\circ = -R(-21282 \text{ K}) = -(8.314 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1})(21282 \text{ K})$$

$$\Delta H_R^\circ = \boxed{177000 \text{ J mol}^{-1}}$$

iii) Calculate  $\Delta S_R^\circ$  at 1000 K.

$$\left[ \Delta G = \Delta(U + PV - TS) = \Delta(H - TS) = \Delta H - \Delta(TS) = \Delta H - T\Delta S \right]$$

$$\Delta G_R^\circ = \Delta H_R^\circ - T\Delta S_R^\circ \quad \Delta S_R^\circ = \frac{\Delta H_R^\circ - \Delta G_R^\circ}{T}$$

$$\Delta S_R^\circ = \frac{177000 - 24560}{1000} \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}} = \boxed{152.4 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}}}$$

(expect  $\Delta S_R^\circ > 0$ )  
 $\Delta n_{\text{gas}} = +1 \text{ mol}$

(isothermal)

c) A tank contains  $CaCO_3(s)$ ,  $CaO(s)$  and  $CO_2$  gas at a pressure of 5.00 bar at 1250 K. Is the system at equilibrium? If not, is the forward reaction spontaneous or is the back reaction spontaneous? Justify your answer.

$$\frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{1250 \text{ K}} = 0.0008 \text{ K}^{-1}$$

$$\ln K = 18.328 - \frac{21282}{1000} = 1.3024$$

$$K = e^{1.302} = 3.68 = P_{CO_2, \text{equil.}}$$

$$\boxed{P_{CO_2} = 5.00 \text{ bar} > P_{CO_2, \text{equil.}}}$$

too much  $CO_2$   
back reaction is spont.

4. a) Starting with the equation  $dG = -SdT + Vdp$ , show:

i)  $(\partial G/\partial T)_p = -S$        $dG = -SdT + Vdp$

at fixed pressure ( $dp = 0$ ):  $dG_p = -SdT_p$

$$\frac{dG_p}{dT_p} = (-S) = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T}\right)_p$$

\*Note: "Prove" does not mean "copy from equations sheets"!

ii)  $(\partial G/\partial p)_T = nRT/p$  for an ideal gas.       $dG = -SdT + Vdp$

at fixed temperature ( $dT = 0$ ):  $dG_T = Vdp_T$

$$\frac{dG_T}{dp_T} = (V) = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial p}\right)_T = \frac{nRT}{p} \quad \text{for an ideal gas} \quad (pV = nRT)$$

ii)  $-(\partial S/\partial p)_T = (\partial V/\partial T)_p$

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T}\right)_p\right]_T = \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial p}\right)_T\right]_p$$

$$-\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial p}\right)_T = \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\right)_p$$

b) Write the van't Hoff equation and briefly explain why it is useful.

$$\frac{d \ln K}{d(1/T)} = \frac{\Delta H^\circ}{R}$$

use enthalpy data to predict how equilibrium constants change with T

or, without calorimetry, use equilibrium constants measured at different temperatures to calculate  $\Delta H$

c) A 50.0 L tank contains methane at 200.0 K and 110.0 bar. Use the diagram below to calculate the number of moles of methane in the tank.

Data for methane:  $p_c = 46.0$  bar,  $T_c = 190.6$  K

$$P_r = \frac{P}{P_c} = \frac{110.0 \text{ bar}}{46.0 \text{ bar}} = 2.39$$

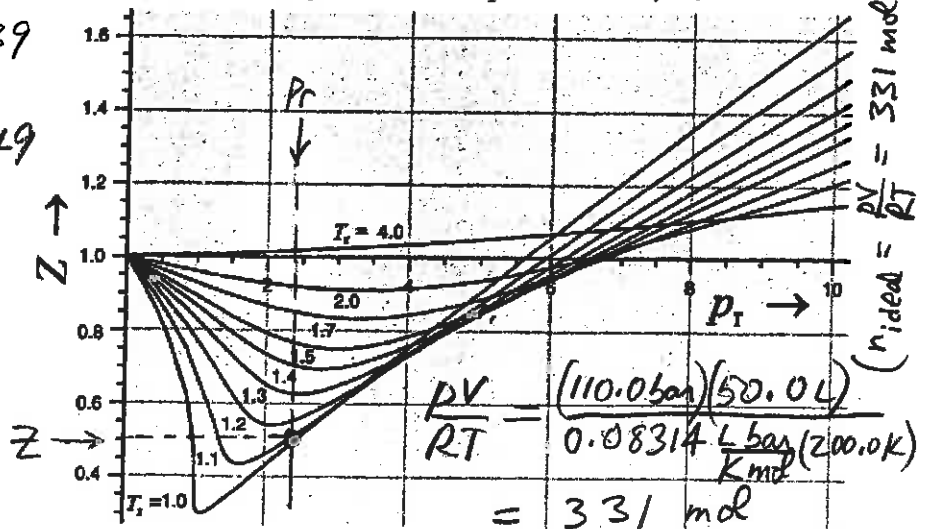
$$T_r = \frac{T}{T_c} = \frac{200.0 \text{ K}}{190.6 \text{ K}} = 1.049$$

read from graph  $Z = 0.50$

$$Z = \frac{pV}{nRT} = 0.50$$

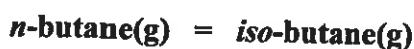
$$n = \frac{pV}{RT} \frac{1}{Z} = \frac{330 \text{ mol}}{0.50}$$

$$n = 661 \text{ mol}$$



(~ twice as many moles compared to an ideal gas at 110.0 bar)

5. This question refers to the isomerization reaction of *n*-butane and *iso*-butane at 1000 K:



(see Test 2 (2015)  
Q5)

Data at 1000 K:  $\Delta G_{fm}^\circ(n\text{-butane}, g) = 270.0 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$   $\Delta G_{fm}^\circ(iso\text{-butane}, g) = 276.6 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

a) Show that the equilibrium constant of the reaction at 1000 K is  $K = 0.452$ .

$$\Delta G_R^\circ = \Delta G_{fm}^\circ(iso-b, g) - \Delta G_{fm}^\circ(n-b, g) = 276600 - 270000 = 6600 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{mol}}$$

$$K = \exp(-\Delta G_R^\circ / RT) = \exp[-6600 / (8.314)(1000)] = 0.452$$

b) 1.00 mole of *iso*-butane is placed in a tank. How many moles of *n*-butane and *iso*-butane are in the tank at equilibrium at 1000 K?

$x$  moles of *iso*-butane react to reach equilibrium

*n*-butane = *isobutane*  
 $x$  mol  $1.00 - x$

$$\text{at equilibrium: } K = \frac{P_{iso-b}}{P_{n-b}} = \frac{n_{iso-b} RT/V}{n_{n-b} RT/V} = \frac{1.00 - x}{x} = 0.452$$

$$1.00 = 0.452x + x$$

$$x = 1.00 / 1.452 = 0.688$$

$$n_{n-b} = 0.688 \quad n_{iso-b} = 0.312$$

c) 1.00 mole of *n*-butane is placed in a tank. How many moles of *n*-butane and *iso*-butane are in the tank at equilibrium at 1000 K?

$y$  moles of *n*-butane react to reach equilibrium

*n*-butane = *isobutane*  
 $1.00 - y$   $y$

$$K = \frac{y}{1.00 - y} = 0.452$$

$$y = 0.452 - 0.452y$$

$$y = 0.452 / 1.452 = 0.311$$

$$n_{iso-b} = 0.312 \quad n_{n-b} = 0.688$$

d)  $\Delta G_{fm}^\circ(n\text{-butane}, g) < \Delta G_{fm}^\circ(iso\text{-butane}, g)$ , indicating that *n*-butane is more stable than *iso*-butane. But *n*-butane partially isomerizes to form *iso*-butane (as shown in part c)! Explain.

MIXING!

$\Delta G_{fm}^\circ$  values refer to pure *n*-butane and *iso*-butane at 1 bar

Reaction of pure *n*-butane or pure *iso*-butane and mixing reduces the Gibbs energy.

e) This question shows that pure *n*-butane partially isomerizes to form *iso*-butane and that pure *iso*-butane partially isomerizes to form *n*-butane. These are spontaneous reactions. But pure *n*-butane and pure *iso*-butane can be purchased from chemical companies! Why is this possible?

The rates of the isomerization reactions

are slow, especially at low temperatures.

(Thermodynamics (and  $\Delta G_R$ ) says nothing about the rates of chemical reactions.)

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Q2  
Q3  
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