# **Energy Changes in Chemical Reactions**

1. First Law of Thermodynamics (conservation of energy)



**E** = internal energy = sum of all potential and kinetic energy of the system

 $\Delta E = E_{\text{final}} - E_{\text{initial}}$ 

**E** is a "state function" - independent of pathway but, q and w are not ! (they do depend on pathway)

#### 2. Pressure - Volume Work

in general:

q (heat) is "easy" to measure (by calorimetry), but w (work) is not, except for reactions that involve gases

#### for gaseous systems:

**w** = -  $P\Delta V$  where  $\Delta V = V_{final}$  -  $V_{initial}$  and P = opposing pressure

e.g., for a gas expanding against a piston:

 $\Delta V$  is (+) since V<sub>final</sub> > V<sub>initial</sub>

and w is (-) so the system does work on surroundings

#### 3. Heats of Reaction

(a) at constant volume

 $\Delta V = 0$  thus,  $w = -P\Delta V = 0$ and,  $\Delta E = q + w = q$ 

 $\Delta E = q_V$  (heat change at **constant volume**)

#### (b) at constant pressure

define a new state function called enthalpy (H)

#### H = E + PV

or,  $\Delta H = \Delta E + P(\Delta V)$ 

substituting,  $\Delta E = q - P(\Delta V)$  yields:

 $\Delta H = q_D$  (heat change at **constant pressure**)

# (c) conversions between $\Delta E$ and $\Delta H$

from above,  $\Delta H - \Delta E = P \Delta V$ 

difference is the  $P\Delta V$  term, the P-V work usually small, unless gases are involved

when combined with ideal gas law (PV = nRT),

# $\Delta H = \Delta E + \Delta nRT$

where,  $\Delta n = n_{\text{final}} - n_{\text{initial}}$ (change in total # moles of gas)

be careful with units !

 $R = 0.0821 \text{ L}\cdot\text{atm}\cdot\text{mole}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1} = 8.314 \text{ J}\cdot\text{mole}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$ 

#### **Problem:**

Calculate  $\Delta E^{\circ}$  for the following reaction, for which  $\Delta H^{\circ} = -217.1$  kJ.

 $CaO(s) + 2 HCI(g) \longrightarrow CaCI_{2(s)} + H_{2}O(g)$ 

 $\Delta n = 1 - 2 = -1$  mole

 $\Delta H^{\circ} = \Delta E^{\circ} + \Delta nRT$ 

 $-217.1 \text{ kJ} = \Delta \text{E}^{\circ} + (-1 \text{ mole}) (8.314 \text{ x} 10^{-3} \text{ kJ} / \text{ mole K}) (298 \text{ K})$ 

 $\Delta E^{\circ} = -214.6 \text{ kJ}$  (difference of only about 1%)

# **Entropy and Spontaneity**

# 1. Two factors effect any change or reaction

(a) Enthalpy (H)

exothermic processes (negative  $\Delta H$ ) tend to be spontaneous, but not always

# (b) Entropy (S) ~ degree of disorder or randomness

higher entropy ~ greater energy dispersal change in entropy:  $\Delta S = S_{\text{final}} - S_{\text{initial}}$ 

for a reaction:  $\Delta S = S_{\text{products}} - S_{\text{reactants}}$ 

# positive $\Delta S$ means:

an increase in disorder as reaction proceeds products more disordered (random) than reactants

in general: Sgas >> Sliquid > Ssolid

for a reaction, **positive**  $\Delta S$  favors spontaneity

# 2. Second Law of Thermodynamics

"...for any spontaneous process, the overall entropy of the universe increases..."

 $\Delta S_{univ} = \Delta S_{SYS} + \Delta S_{Surr}$ 

a spontaneous process can have a negative  $\Delta S_{SYS}$  for the system only if the surroundings have a larger positive  $\Delta S_{SUT}$ 

#### 3. Third Law of Thermodynamics

"...the entropy of a pure crystalline substance equals zero at absolute zero..."

S = 0 at  $T = 0^{\circ} K$ 

(a) Standard Entropy (at 25°C) = S° [see Table 18.2]

Entropy change for a reaction:

 $\Delta S^{\circ} = \sum S^{\circ}(\text{products}) - \sum S^{\circ}(\text{reactants})$ 

#### (b) Gibbs Free Energy = G

defined as: G = H - TS

- · a combination of enthalpy and entropy effects
- · related to maximum useful work that system can do

for a process (e.g., a reaction),

 $\Delta \mathbf{G} = \Delta \mathbf{H} - \mathbf{T} \Delta \mathbf{S}$ 

# for any spontaneous change, $\Delta G$ is negative (the free energy decreases)

4. Standard Free Energy

∆G°	(at STP)	generally used to decide if a reaction
		is spontaneous (Yes, if negative)

Two ways to obtain  $\Delta G^{\circ}$  for a reaction

(a) from  $\Delta H^{\circ}$  and  $\Delta S^{\circ}$  requires  $\Delta H^{\circ}_{f}$  and  $S^{\circ}$  data for all reactants and products

 $\Delta \mathbf{G}^{\circ} = \Delta \mathbf{H}^{\circ} - \mathbf{T} \Delta \mathbf{S}^{\circ}$ 

 $\Delta H^{\circ} = \sum \Delta H^{\circ}_{f}$  (products) -  $\sum \Delta H^{\circ}_{f}$  (reactants)

 $\Delta S^{\circ} = \sum S^{\circ}(\text{products}) - \sum S^{\circ}(\text{reactants})$ 

(b) from standard "Free Energies of Formation"  $\Delta G^{\circ}f$ 

 $\Delta G^{\circ} = \sum \Delta G^{\circ}_{f}$  (products) -  $\sum \Delta G^{\circ}_{f}$  (reactants)

where  $\Delta G^{\circ}_{f}$  is the free energy change for the formation of one mole of the compound from its elements, e.g.,

 $\Delta G^{\circ}_{f}$  for Al<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> equals  $\Delta G^{\circ}$  for the following reaction

 $2 \operatorname{Al}_{(S)} + 3 \operatorname{S}_{(S)} + 9/2 \operatorname{O}_{2(g)} \longrightarrow \operatorname{Al}_{2}(\operatorname{SO}_{3})_{3}$ 

#### 5. Free energy and Equilibrium

(a) for a system at equilibrium:

 $G_{\text{products}} = G_{\text{reactants}} \text{ and } \Delta G = 0$ since,  $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S = 0$  $\Delta H = T\Delta S \text{ or } T = \Delta H / \Delta S$ 

#### Problem:

Given the following, determine the normal boiling point of mercury (Hg).

 $\Delta H_{vaporization}$  of Hg = 60.7 kJ / mole

entropies: liquid Hg:  $S^{\circ} = 76.1 \text{ J} / \text{mole K}$ gaseous Hg:  $S^{\circ} = 175 \text{ J} / \text{mole K}$ 

Equilibrium:  $Hg_{liq} \longrightarrow Hg_{gas} \Delta G = 0$ so,  $\Delta H - T\Delta S = 0$  or  $T = \Delta H / \Delta S$  $T = [60.7 \times 10^3 \text{ J / mole}] \div [(175 - 76.1) \text{ J / mole K}]$ T = 614 K

# (b) Effect of Temperature on $\Delta G$

 $\Delta G$  depends on  $\Delta H$  and  $\Delta S$ :  $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$ 

but  $\Delta H$  and  $\Delta S$  are relatively independent of temperature, so  $\Delta G$  at some temperature T can be estimated:

 $\Delta G^{\circ}T \approx \Delta H^{\circ}_{298} - T\Delta S^{\circ}_{298}$ 

# (c) Relationship between △G° and Equilibrium Constant (K)

For any chemical system:

 $\Delta G = \Delta G^{\circ} + (RT) \ln Q$ 

if  $\Delta G$  is not zero, then the system is not at equilibrium it will spontaneously shift toward the equilibrium state

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At Equilibrium: \Delta G = 0 and Q = K
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 $\therefore \Delta G^\circ = - RT \ln K$ 

for gaseous reactions:  $K = K_p$ 

for solution reactions:  $K = K_C$ 

{ units of  $\Delta G$  must match those of R value }

# K values can be determined from thermodynamic data !

Note: when K > 1  $\Delta G^{\circ}$  is negative

∴ spontaneous reactions have large K and negative ∆G° values