

# Spontaneous Processes

Which of the following processes are spontaneous?

- (a) Separating a mixture of N<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> into two separate samples

Non spontaneous

- (b) Alignment of iron filings in a magnetic field

Spontaneous

- (c) Dissolution of HCl(g) in water to form HCl(aq)

Spontaneous

- (d) Sublimation of CO<sub>2</sub>(s) at -100°C, 1 atm (CO<sub>2</sub> sublimation point is -78°C, 1 atm)

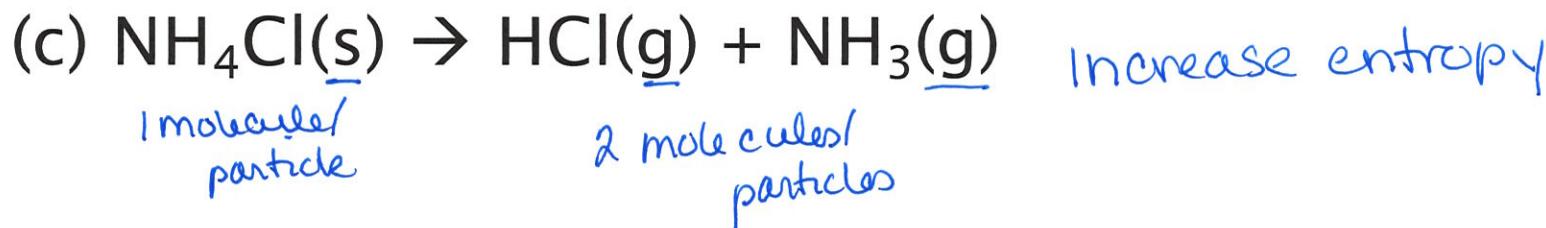
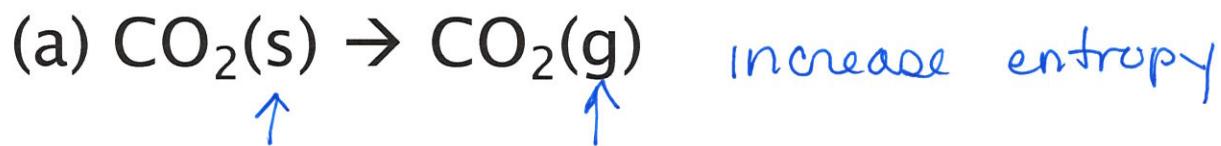
-100°C < -78°C    nonspontaneous

- (e) Reaction of copper with oxygen to form CuO under typical environmental conditions in RI.

Spontaneous

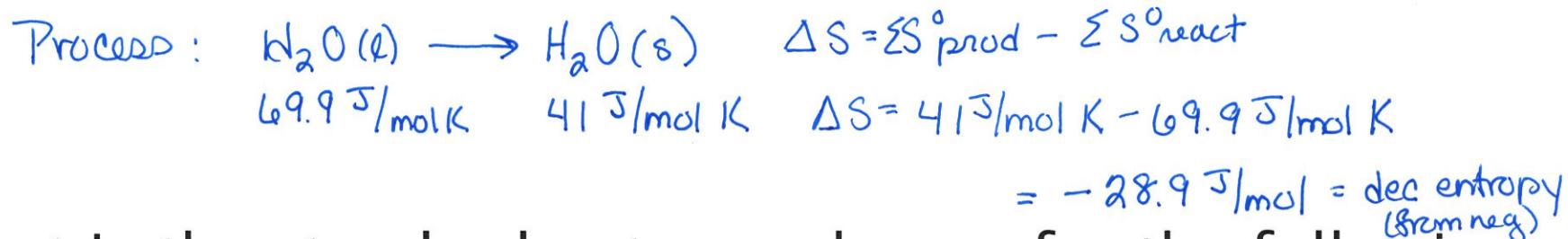
# Predicting Entropy Changes

Indicate whether the following produces an increase or decrease in the entropy of the system:

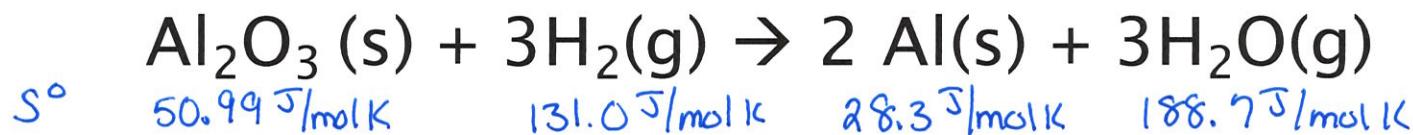


# Calculating Reaction Entropy from Standard Entropies

1. What is the molar change in entropy for water freezing at 25°C? A: -28.9 J/mol K



2. What is the standard entropy change for the following reaction? A: 178.7 J/mol K



$$\Delta S = \sum S^\circ_{\text{prod}} - \sum S^\circ_{\text{react}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta S &= [2(28.3 \text{ J/mol K}) + 3(188.7 \text{ J/mol K})] - [1(50.99 \text{ J/mol K}) + 3(131.0 \text{ J/mol K})] \\ &= [56.6 \text{ J/mol K} + 566.1 \text{ J/mol K}] - [50.99 \text{ J/mol K} + 393.0 \text{ J/mol K}] \\ &= 622.7 \text{ J/mol K} - 443.99 \text{ J/mol K} = 178.71 \text{ J/mol K}\end{aligned}$$

$178.7 \text{ J/mol K}$  increase entropy  
entropically favored

# Calculating Entropy (S) from ΔH

The normal boiling point of ethanol ( $C_2H_5OH$ , 46.07g/mol) is 78.3°C and its molar enthalpy of vaporization is 38.56 kJ/mol. What is the change in entropy in the system when 68.3g of gaseous ethanol at 1 atm condenses to liquid at the normal boiling point? A: -163 J/K

$$S = \frac{\Delta H}{T}$$

$$78.3^\circ C + 273.15 = 351.45 K$$

opposite process

sign of  $\Delta H$  changes

$$\Delta H_{\text{cond}} = -38.56 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$68.3 \text{ g} \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{46.07 \text{ g}} \right) = 1.4825 \text{ mol} \left( \frac{-38.56 \text{ kJ}}{\text{mol}} \right) = -57.166 \text{ kJ} = \Delta H$$

$$S = \frac{\Delta H}{T} = \frac{-57.166 \text{ kJ}}{351.45 \text{ K}} = -0.163 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{K}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ J}}{\text{kJ}}$$
$$= -163 \text{ J/K}$$

# Gibbs Free Energy & Spontaneity

1. A certain reaction has  $\Delta H^\circ = -19.5 \text{ kJ}$  and  $\Delta S^\circ = 42.7 \text{ J/K}$ .

(a) Is the reaction exothermic or endothermic? A: exothermic

$$-\Delta H = \text{exothermic}$$

(b) Does the reaction lead to an increase or decrease in the randomness or disorder of the system? A: increase

randomness  
entropy

$$+ \Delta S = \text{increase entropy}$$

(c) Calculate  $\Delta G^\circ$  at 298K A: -32.2kJ

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T \Delta S \quad 42.7 \text{ J/K} \left( \frac{1 \text{ kJ}}{1000 \text{ J}} \right) = 0.0427 \text{ kJ/K}$$

$$= -19.5 \text{ kJ} - 298 \text{ K} (0.0427 \text{ kJ/K})$$

$$= -19.5 \text{ kJ} - 12.746 \text{ kJ} = -32.2246 \text{ kJ} \rightarrow \boxed{-32.2 \text{ kJ}}$$

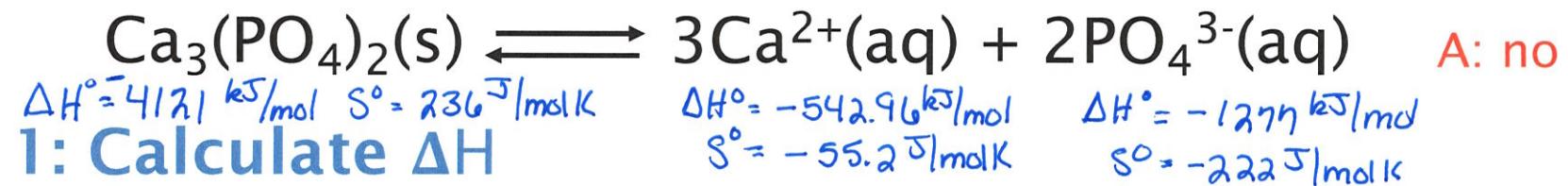
(d) Is the reaction spontaneous at 298K under standard conditions? A: yes

+  $\Delta G$  non spontaneous  
-  $\Delta G$  spontaneous

$\overbrace{-32.2 \text{ kJ}}$   
 $\neg \Delta G = \text{is spontaneous}$

$-\Delta G$

2. Is the following process spontaneous at 25°C? at 75°C?



### Step 1: Calculate $\Delta H$

$$\Delta H_{\text{rxn}} = \sum \Delta H_{\text{prod}} - \sum \Delta H_{\text{react}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta H_{\text{rxn}} &= [3(-542.96 \text{ kJ/mol}) + 2(-1277 \text{ kJ/mol})] - [1(-4121 \text{ kJ/mol})] \\ &= -1628.88 \text{ kJ/mol} + (-2554 \text{ kJ/mol}) \cancel{-} \overset{+}{(-4121 \text{ kJ/mol})} \\ &= -4182.88 \text{ kJ/mol} + 4121 \text{ kJ/mol} = -61.88 \text{ kJ/mol}\end{aligned}$$

### Step 2: Calculate $\Delta S$

$$\Delta S_{\text{rxn}} = \sum S^\circ_{\text{prod}} - \sum S^\circ_{\text{react}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta S_{\text{rxn}} &= [3(-55.2 \text{ J/mol K}) + 2(-222 \text{ J/mol K})] - [1(236 \text{ J/mol K})] \\ &= -165.6 \text{ J/mol K} - 444 \text{ J/mol K} - 236 \text{ J/mol K} \\ &= -845.6 \text{ J/mol K} \left( \frac{1 \text{ kJ}}{1000 \text{ J}} \right) = -0.8456 \text{ kJ/mol K}\end{aligned}$$

### Step 3: Calculate $\Delta G$   $25^\circ\text{C} + 273.15 = 298.15 \text{ K}$   $75^\circ\text{C} + 273.15 = 348.15 \text{ K}$

$$@25^\circ\text{C} \quad \Delta G = \Delta H - T \Delta S$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta G &= -61.88 \text{ kJ/mol} - 298.15 \text{ K}(-0.8456 \text{ kJ/mol K}) \\ &= -61.88 \text{ kJ/mol} + 252.16 \text{ kJ/mol} \\ &= +190.24 \text{ kJ/mol} \quad \underline{\text{not spontaneous}}$$

$$@75^\circ\text{C}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta G &= -61.88 \text{ kJ/mol} - 348.15 \text{ K}(-0.8456 \text{ kJ/mol K}) \\ &= -61.88 \text{ kJ/mol} + 294.396 \text{ kJ/mol} \\ &= +232.52 \text{ kJ/mol} \\ &\quad \underline{\text{Even less spontaneous!}}$$

3. At what temperature will the following process become spontaneous?



From previous question:

$$\Delta H_{rxn}^\circ = -61.88 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$\Delta S_{rxn}^\circ = -0.8456 \text{ kJ/mol K}$$

+  $\Delta G$  nonspontaneous

-  $\Delta G$  spontaneous

transition  $\Delta G = 0$

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$$

$$0 \text{ kJ/mol} = -61.88 \text{ kJ/mol} - T(-0.8456 \text{ kJ/mol K}) \\ + 61.88 \text{ kJ/mol} + 61.88 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$\frac{61.88 \text{ kJ/mol}}{0.8456 \text{ kJ/mol K}} = \frac{(T)(0.8456 \text{ kJ/mol K})}{0.8456 \text{ kJ/mol K}}$$

$$T = 73.18 \text{ K} - 273.15 = -199.97 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$$

A: -200 °C

# Free Energy & Equilibrium

1. Calculate  $\Delta G^\circ$  for the following reaction at 25°C.



$K_{sp}$  for  $\text{Fe(OH)}_2$  is  $1.6 \times 10^{-14}$

A: 79 kJ/mol

$$\Delta G^\circ = -RT \ln K$$

where  $R = 8.314 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kJ/mol K}$

T = temp in K

K = equilibrium constant

$$\Delta G = -(8.314 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kJ/mol K})(298.15 \text{ K}) (\ln 1.6 \times 10^{-14})$$

$$\Delta G = (-2.4788) \frac{(-31.746)}{\text{kJ/mol}}$$

$$\Delta G = 78.742 \text{ kJ/mol} \rightarrow 78.7 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$\hookrightarrow 79 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

2. For the following reaction:

A: (a) -5.41 kJ/mol  
(b) 0.295 kJ/mol



- (a) Using data from Appendix 2, calculate  $\Delta G^\circ$  at 298K  
 (b) Calculate  $\Delta G$  at 298K if the partial pressure of  $\text{NO}_2$  and  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$  are 0.40atm and 1.60atm, respectively.

$$\text{NO}_2(\text{g}) \quad \Delta H_f^\circ = 33.85 \text{ kJ/mol} \\ S^\circ = 240.46 \text{ J/mol K}$$

$$\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g}) \quad \Delta H_f^\circ = 9.66 \text{ kJ/mol} \\ S^\circ = 304.3 \text{ J/mol K}$$

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$$

$$\Delta H_{\text{rxn}} = 9.66 \text{ kJ/mol} - 2(33.85 \text{ kJ/mol}) \\ 9.66 \text{ kJ/mol} - 67.7 \text{ kJ/mol} = -58.04 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

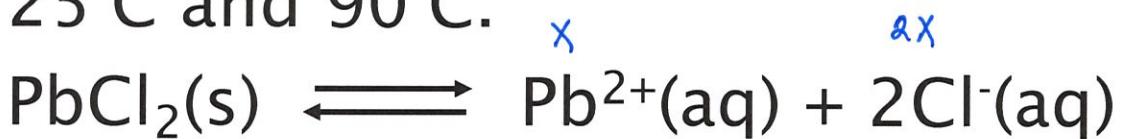
$$\Delta S_{\text{rxn}} = 304.3 \text{ J/mol K} - 2(240.46 \text{ J/mol K}) = \\ 304.3 \text{ J/mol K} - 480.92 \text{ J/mol K} = -176.62 \text{ J/mol K} \left(\frac{1 \text{ kJ}}{1000 \text{ J}}\right) = -0.17662 \text{ kJ/mol K}$$

$$\Delta G^\circ = -58.04 \text{ kJ/mol} - 298 \text{ K}(-0.17662 \text{ kJ/mol K}) \\ -58.04 \text{ kJ/mol} + 52.63 \text{ kJ/mol} = \boxed{-5.41 \text{ kJ/mol}} = \Delta G^\circ \quad \ln(10) = 2.3026$$

$$(b) \Delta G = \Delta G^\circ + RT \ln Q = -5.41 \text{ kJ/mol} + (8.314 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kJ/mol K})(298 \text{ K}) \left(\ln \left[\frac{1.60}{0.40^2}\right]\right)$$

$$\Delta G = -5.41 \text{ kJ/mol} + 5.705 \text{ kJ/mol} \\ = \boxed{0.295 \text{ kJ/mol}}$$

3. Compare the molar solubility of lead chloride at 25°C and 90°C.



$K_{sp}$  for  $\text{PbCl}_2$  is  $1.6 \times 10^{-5}$  at 25°C

From Table:

$\Delta H_f^\circ (\text{kJ/mol})$	$S^\circ (\text{J/molK})$
$\text{PbCl}_2(s) = -359$	$\text{PbCl}_2(s) = 136$
$\text{Pb}^{2+}(aq) = -1.7$	$\text{Pb}^{2+}(aq) = 10.5$
$\text{Cl}^-(aq) = -167.2$	$\text{Cl}^-(aq) = 56.5$

@ 25°C → regular molar solubility

$$K_{sp} = [\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{Cl}^-]^2 = [x][2x]^2 = 1.6 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$90 + 273.15 = 363.15 \text{ K}$$

$$4x^3 = 1.6 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$x^3 = 4.0 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$x = 1.59 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M} @ 25^\circ\text{C}$$

$$@ 90^\circ\text{C} \quad \Delta G = -RT \ln K \quad \Delta G = \Delta H - T \Delta S$$

$$\Delta H = [-1.7 \text{ kJ/mol} + 2(-167.2 \text{ kJ/mol})] - 359 \text{ kJ/mol} = 22.9 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$\Delta S = [10.5 \text{ J/molK} + 2(56.5 \text{ J/molK})] - 136 \text{ J/molK} = -12.5 \text{ J/molK} \rightarrow -0.0125 \text{ kJ/molK}$$

$$\Delta G = 22.9 \text{ kJ/mol} - (363.15 \text{ K})(-0.0125 \text{ kJ/molK})$$

$$22.9 \text{ kJ/mol} + 4.54 \text{ kJ/mol} = 27.44 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$\Delta G = -RT \ln K$$

$$27.44 \text{ kJ/mol} = (-8.314 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kJ/molK})(363.15 \text{ K})(\ln K)$$

$$\frac{27.44 \text{ kJ/mol}}{-3.02 \text{ kJ/mol}} = \frac{-3.02 \text{ kJ/mol} \times \ln K}{-3.02 \text{ kJ/mol}} \quad \ln K = -9.086$$

$$K = e^{-9.086} = 1.13 \times 10^{-4} = K_{sp} @ 90^\circ\text{C}$$

$$\frac{3.05 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}}{1.59 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}} = 1.9$$

$$1.13 \times 10^{-4} = 4x^3$$

$$x^3 = 2.83 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$x = 3.05 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M} @ 90^\circ\text{C}$$

A: solubility at 90°C about double the solubility at 25°C