

Readings for today: Section 8.1 (Section 7.1 in 4th ed) – Spontaneous Change, Sections 8.2 and 8.8 (Sections 7.2 and 7.8 in 4th ed) - Entropy, Sections 8.12, 8.13, 8.15 (Sections 7.12, 7.13, 7.15 in 4th ed) – Free Energy.

Reading for Lecture #17: Section 8.16 (Section 7.16 in 4th ed) – Free-Energy Changes in Biological Systems.

Topics: Thermodynamics

- I. Spontaneous change and free energy
- II. Entropy
- III. Free energy of formation

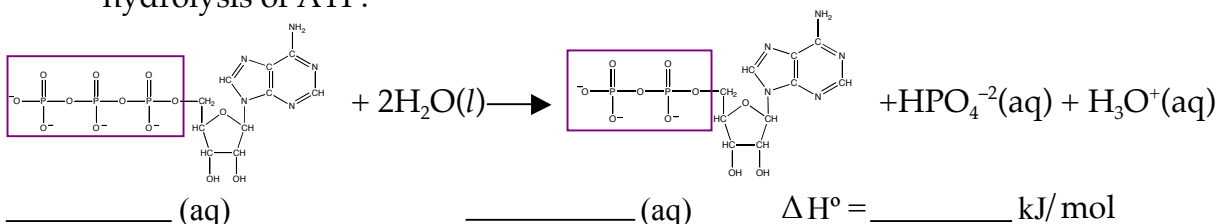
I. SPONTANEOUS CHANGE AND FREE ENERGY

A **spontaneous change** is a process that, given enough time, occurs without the need for outside intervention.

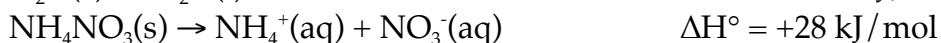
For example, the following reactions are spontaneous at constant pressure:



hydrolysis of ATP:



But so are these ...



Is ΔH the key to spontaneity? _____!

Condition for spontaneity under constant P + T involves GIBBS FREE ENERGY, ΔG .

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

where T = temperature and ΔS = change in entropy, a measure of disorder.

$$\Delta G < 0 \text{ _____ process}$$

$$\Delta G > 0 \text{ _____ process}$$

$$\Delta G = 0 \text{ equilibrium}$$

Under constant pressure and temperature, a process is spontaneous when $\Delta G < 0$, not necessarily when $\Delta H < 0$.

Figuring this out was one of the towering achievements of thermodynamics!!

For example, $\text{NH}_4\text{NO}_3(\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{NH}_4^+(\text{aq}) + \text{NO}_3^-(\text{aq})$

$$\Delta H_r^\circ = +28. \text{ kJ/mol} \quad \Delta S_r^\circ = +109. \text{ JK}^{-1}\text{mol}^{-1}$$

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

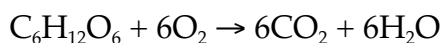
$$\text{at } T = 298. \text{ K, } \Delta G^\circ = +28. \text{ kJ/mol} - 298. \text{ K (_____)}$$

$$\Delta G^\circ = +28. \text{ kJ/mol} - 32.48 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$\Delta G^\circ = \text{ _____ kJ/mol}$$

ΔG° is negative, even though ΔH° is positive. The reaction is **spontaneous**.

Now consider glucose oxidation at room temperature:



$$\Delta H^\circ = -2,816 \text{ kJ/mol, } \Delta S^\circ = +233 \text{ J/K}\cdot\text{mol}$$

$$\Delta G^\circ = -2,816 \text{ kJ/mol} - 298 \text{ K (_____)} = -2,885 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

ΔG° more negative than ΔH° . This reaction is spontaneous at _____ temperatures.

II. ENTROPY

Entropy, S , is a measure of the _____ of a system .

ΔS = change in entropy. ΔS is a state function.

ΔS° positive \Rightarrow _____ in disorder

ΔS° negative \Rightarrow _____ in disorder

Disorder of gas _____ liquid _____ solid

In solids, molecules cannot move around freely.

Internal degrees of freedom and internal motions – e.g. vibrations- also contribute to entropy

Without calculations, we can predict the sign of ΔS for many reactions. For example,

$2\text{H}_2\text{O}_2(\text{l}) \rightarrow 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g})$ is predicted to have a _____ ΔS .

Demo: Let's "watch" entropy increase as liquid turns to gas. We will mix $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2(\text{l})$ with food color and soap (to help us "watch" $\text{O}_2(\text{g})$ bubble), and use yeast diluted in water to speed up the reaction.

Entropy for reactions, ΔS_r°

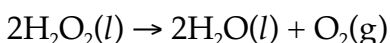
can be calculated from **absolute** entropies of products and reactants,

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

where S° is the absolute standard entropy.

S has an absolute zero – the perfect crystal at $T = 0$ K (perfectly ordered, no disorder).

For example, consider the decomposition of hydrogen peroxide.



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

$$\Delta S^\circ = 2(70. \text{JK}^{-1}\text{mol}^{-1}) + (205 \text{JK}^{-1}\text{mol}^{-1}) - 2(110. \text{JK}^{-1}\text{mol}^{-1})$$

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$$\Delta S^\circ = 28.9 \text{JK}^{-1}\text{mol}^{-1}$$

Why is ΔS° positive? The reaction converts liquid \rightarrow liquid and gas.

But is reaction spontaneous at room temperature?

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta G^\circ &= \Delta H^\circ - T\Delta S^\circ \\ &= -196 \text{ kJ/mol} - 298.15 \text{ K}(28.9 \text{ J K}^{-1}\text{mol}^{-1}) \\ &= -233 \text{ kJ/mol}\end{aligned}$$

Now consider ice melting at 298.15 K. $\text{H}_2\text{O}(s) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}(l)$

$$\Delta S^\circ = S^\circ(\text{H}_2\text{O}(l)) - S^\circ(\text{H}_2\text{O}(s)) = 69.91 - 41.32 \quad \Delta S^\circ = 28.59 \text{ J K}^{-1}\text{mol}^{-1}$$

Why is $\Delta S^\circ > 0$? _____

$$\Delta G^\circ = 6.95 - 298.15 \text{ K}(28.59 \times 10^{-2} \text{ kJ/K mol}) = -1.57 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

Ice melting is spontaneous at room temperature even though ΔH° is positive.

III. FREE ENERGY OF FORMATION, ΔG_f

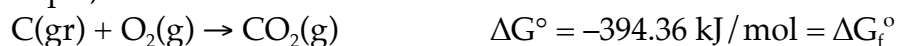
analogous to ΔH_f

ΔG_f° \equiv standard Gibbs free energy of formation
 $\equiv \Delta G_r^\circ$ for formation of 1 mol of compound from its elements in their most stable form in the standard states at $P = 1$ bar and $T = 298.15$ K.

Tabulated for many compounds like ΔH_f° , but can also be calculated from

$$\text{_____} = \text{_____} - T\Delta S^\circ$$

For example,



ΔG_f° is important because it is a measure of a compound's stability relative to its elements.

If $\Delta G_f^\circ < 0$, a compound is thermodynamically _____ relative to its elements.

If $\Delta G_f^\circ > 0$, a compound is thermodynamically _____ relative to its elements.

Free energy tells whether or not a reaction will happen spontaneously, but it tells us _____ about the rate of the reaction (for rate information we need kinetics).

To calculate ΔG° for a reaction...

$$\Delta G_r^\circ = \Sigma \Delta G_f^\circ(\text{products}) - \Sigma \Delta G_f^\circ(\text{reactants})$$

$$\text{OR} \quad \Delta G_r^\circ = \Delta H_r^\circ - T\Delta S_r^\circ$$

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