

General Chemistry II Jasperse
Entropy, Spontaneity, and Free Energy. Extra Practice Problems.

General Types/Groups of problems:

Evaluating Relative Molar Entropy for Chemicals	p1	Calculating ΔG for Reactions (Math)	p5
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Entropy/Enthalpy and Spontaneity.	p4		

Key Equations Given for Test:

For weak acids alone in water: $[H^+] = \sqrt{K_a \times [WA]}$	For weak bases alone in water: $[OH^-] = \sqrt{K_b \times [WB]}$
pZ = -logZ General definition for p of anything	pH + pOH = 14
$[H^+][HO^-] = 1.00 \times 10^{-14}$	$K_a K_b = 1.00 \times 10^{-14}$ for conjugate acid/base pair
For Buffer: pH = pK _a + log[base]/[acid] Henderson-Hasselbalch Equation	$\Delta S^\circ = S^\circ(\text{products}) - S^\circ(\text{reactants})$
$\Delta G^\circ = G^\circ(\text{products}) - G^\circ(\text{reactants})$	$\Delta G^\circ = \Delta H^\circ - T\Delta S^\circ$ (T in Kelvin)

$K = ^\circ C + 273$
 $^\circ C = K - 273$

A+ Eq: $\Delta H^\circ = T \Delta S^\circ$

EVALUATING/RANKING STANDARD MOLAR ENTROPY (S°) FOR CHEMICALS (non-math)

1. Which of the following is in the correct order of standard state entropy?

- I. Liquid water < gaseous water \rightarrow T
 II. Liquid water < solid water F
 III. $NH_3 < H_2$ F

- a. I only
 b. II only
 c. III only
 d. I and II only
 e. I and III only

1. GAS > Liquid > Solid
 -gas wins over any other
 2. Molecular Size
 3. Number of Molecules
 4. Dissolved > undissolved
 5. Temperature

2. Which of the following will have the **greatest** standard molar entropy (S°)?

- a. $NH_3(g)$
 b. $He(g)$
 c. $C(s, \text{graphite})$
 d. $H_2O(l)$
 e. $CaCO_3(s)$

3. Indicate which of the following has the **lowest** standard molar entropy (S°).

- a. $CH_4(g)$
 b. $CH_3CH_2OH(l)$
 c. $H_2O(s)$
 d. $Na(s)$
 e. $He(g)$

← per mole
 gas > liq > s

4. Indicate which of the following has the **highest** entropy at 298 K.

- a. 0.5 g of HCN
 b. 1 mol of HCN
 c. 2 kg of HCN
 d. 2 mol of HCN
 e. All of the above have the same entropy at 298 K.

> 1 mole \Rightarrow more entropy

$1 + 12 + 14 = 27 \text{ g/mol}$

EVALUATING ΔS FOR REACTIONS (non-math recognition)

5. Indicate which one of the following reactions result in a **positive ΔS_{sys}** .
- a. $AgNO_3(aq) + NaCl(aq) \rightleftharpoons AgCl(s) + NaNO_3(aq)$
 - b. $H_2O(g) + CO_2(g) \rightleftharpoons H_2CO_3(aq)$
 - c. $H_2(g) + I_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2HI(g)$
 - d. $C_2H_2O_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2CO(g) + H_2(g)$**
 - e. $H_2O(g) \rightleftharpoons H_2O(l)$

Good: OH
OG
OS
neg
neg
pos

increase (good)

- 1. GAS > Liquid > Solid
-gas wins over any other
2. Molecular Size
3. Number of Molecules
→ 4. Dissolved > undissolved
5. Temperature

Any side with more gas has more entropy

6. Indicate which one of the following reactions results in a **negative ΔS_{sys}** .
- a. $H_2O(g) \rightleftharpoons H_2O(s)$**
 - b. $CaCO_3(s) \rightleftharpoons CaO(s) + CO_2(g)$
 - c. $CuSO_4 \cdot (H_2O)_5(s) \rightleftharpoons CuSO_4(s) + 5H_2O(g)$
 - d. $14O_2(g) + 3NH_4NO_3(s) + C_{10}H_{22}(l) \rightarrow 3N_2(g) + 17H_2O(g) + 10CO_2(g)$
 - e. $CO_2(aq) \rightleftharpoons CO_2(g)$

7. Which of the processes A–D will lead to a **positive change in the entropy of the system**? If all of these processes lead to a positive change in the entropy of the system, select E.

- a. Sodium chloride crystals form as saltwater evaporates.
- b. Helium gas escapes from the hole in a balloon.**
- c. Stalactites form in a cave.
- d. Water freezes in a freezer.
- e. All of these lead to a positive change in entropy of the system, as they are all spontaneous.

more disorder

8. Which of the following processes will lead to a **decrease in the entropy of the system**?

- a. Salt crystals dissolve in water.
- b. Air escapes from a hole in a balloon.
- c. Iron and oxygen react to form rust.**
- d. Ice melts in your hand.
- e. None of these lead to a negative change in the entropy of the system, as they are all spontaneous.

less disorder

CALCULATING ΔS FOR REACTIONS (Math)

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

9. Determine ΔS for $H_2(g) + I_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2HI(g)$ given the following information.

Note: S° for elements is NOT zero
Factor # of moles

Substance	S° (J/mol · K)
$H_2(g)$	130.58
$I_2(g)$	116.73
$HI(g)$	206.3

$\Delta S^\circ = 2(206.3) - (130.58 + 116.73)$
 = 412.6 - 247.31
 = 165

- a. -41.10 J/mol · K
- b. -165.29 J/mol · K
- c. +398.75 J/mol · K
- d. +165.29 J/mol · K**
- e. +41.10 J/mol · K

10. Determine ΔS for $N_2O_4(g) \rightleftharpoons 2NO_2(g)$ given the following information.

DS pos

Substance	S° (J/mol · K)
$N_2O_4(g)$	304.3
$NO_2(g)$	240.45

$\Delta S = (2 \cdot 240.45) - 304.3$
 = 176.7

- a. +176.7 J/mol · K**
- b. -63.8 J/mol · K
- c. +63.8 J/mol · K
- d. -50.7 J/mol · K
- e. -176.7 J/mol · K

Element
 H° 0
 G° 0
 S° not zero

11. What is the entropy change to make 1 mole of SO₃ for the reaction SO₂(g) + 1/2 O₂(g) → SO₃(g)

Balanced reaction needed



Substance	S° (J/mol · K)
SO ₂ (g)	248.2
O ₂ (g)	205.0
SO ₃ (g)	256.8

ΔS = S (products) - S (reactants)

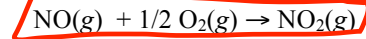
Note: S° for elements is NOT zero
Factor # of moles

- a. -196.4 J/K
- b. +196.4 J/K
- c. -93.9 J/K
- d. +93.9 J/K
- e. +401.4 J/K

$\Delta S = 256.8 - [248.2 + \frac{1}{2}(205)]$

Notice importance of a BALANCED reaction, and how we needed to factor in the 1/2 coefficient

12. NO gas is converted to NO₂ gas according to the following reaction,



What is the standard entropy change when 0.5 mol of NO gas reacts with 0.5 mol of O₂ gas?

- 1. Factoring in which chemical is limiting.
- 2. Find ΔS° on a per-mole basis first
- 3. Then adjust for how many moles were actually used.

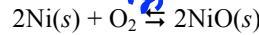
Substance	S° (J/mol · K)
NO(g)	210.7
O ₂ (g)	205.0
NO ₂ (g)	240.0

Per mole NO₂ or NO
 $\Delta S^\circ = 240 - [210.7 + \frac{1}{2}(205)] = -73.2$ per mole NO₂ or per mole NO

$\Delta S_{actual} = (0.5 \text{ mol NO}) \left(\frac{-73.2}{1 \text{ mol NO}} \right) = -36.6$

- a. -36.6 J/K
- b. -175.7 J/K
- c. -83.4 J/K
- d. +83.4 J/K
- e. +36.6 J/K

13. If 3.500 g of Ni (58.69 g/mol) are reacted with excess oxygen to form nickel oxide (NiO) under standard state conditions, what is the entropy change for the reaction?



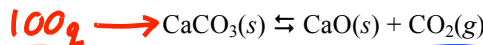
Substance	S° (J/mol · K)
Ni	182.1
O ₂	205.0
NiO	37.99

$\Delta S^\circ = (37.99 \times 2) - [2 \times (182.1) + 205] = -493.22$ for coefficients shown in mols

$\Delta S_{act} = \frac{3.5 \text{ g Ni} \left| \frac{1 \text{ mol Ni}}{58.69 \text{ g}} \right| -493.22}{2 \text{ mol Ni}} = -41.8$
g → mol → J

- a. -49.3 J/K
- b. -24.7 J/K
- c. -14.7 J/K
- d. +49.3 J/K
- e. -10.4 J/K

14. What is the entropy change if 4.500 g of CaCO₃(s) is placed in a container and allowed to decompose to CaO(s) and CO₂(g) according to the following reaction?



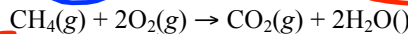
Substance	S° (J/mol · K)
CaCO ₃ (s)	92.88
CaO(s)	39.75
CO ₂ (g)	213.6

$\Delta S^\circ = (39.75 + 213.6) - 92.88 = +160.47$

$\Delta S_{act} = \frac{4.5 \text{ g} \left| \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{100 \text{ g}} \right| +160.47}{1 \text{ mol CaCO}_3} = +7.2$
g → mol → J

- a. +7.2 J/K
- b. -160.5 J/K
- c. +35.7 J/K
- d. +160.5 J/K
- e. +3.57 J/K

15. What is the standard entropy change when 10.0 g of methane reacts with 10.0 g of oxygen? ← limiting



Substance	S° (J/mol · K)
CH ₄ (g)	186.2
O ₂ (g)	205.0
H ₂ O(l)	70.0
CO ₂ (g)	213.6

$\Delta S^\circ = [213.6 + (2 \times 70)] - [186.2 + 2 \times (205)] = -242.6$

- a. -121 J/K
- b. -37.9 J/K
- c. -242.6 J/K
- d. -154.4 J/K
- e. -16.8 J/K

$\Delta S_{act} = \frac{10 \text{ g O}_2 \left| \frac{1 \text{ mol O}_2}{32 \text{ g O}_2} \right| -242.6}{2 \text{ mol O}_2} = -37.9$
limiting → g → mol → ΔS

Note: you should normally be able to predict whether ΔS is positive or negative. Use this to eliminate implausible answers.

CHANGES IN ENTROPY OF UNIVERSE VS SYSTEM. Evaluating Spontaneity Considering both Entropy and Enthalpy

16. In a **spontaneous** process, which of the following **always increases**?

- the entropy of the system
- the entropy of the surroundings
- the entropy of the universe**
- the entropy of the system and the universe
- the entropy of the system, surroundings and the universe

$\Delta S_{universe}$ depends on both ΔS_{system} and $\Delta S_{surroundings}$. ΔS_{system} is reflected by ΔS° (system entropy) while $\Delta S_{surroundings}$ is reflected by ΔH_{system} (system enthalpy)

17. Processes are always spontaneous, regardless of temperature, when _____ (H and S refer to the system).

- $\Delta H > 0$ and $\Delta S < 0$
 - $\Delta H < 0$ and $\Delta S < 0$
 - $\Delta H > 0$ and $\Delta S > 0$
 - $\Delta H < 0$ and $\Delta S > 0$**
 - None of these is true, as temperature must always be taken into account.
- both enthalpy + entropy favorable*

18. The dissolution of ammonium nitrate in water is a **spontaneous endothermic** process. It is spontaneous because the system undergoes _____

- a decrease in enthalpy.
- an increase in entropy.**
- an increase in enthalpy.
- a decrease in entropy.
- an increase in free energy.

If you know it's spontaneous, then either entropy or enthalpy (or both) must be favorable. If you know one is NOT favorable, then the other must certainly be favorable.

19. Which of the following must be true for a **spontaneous exothermic** process?

- only that $\Delta S_{sys} < 0$
- only that $\Delta S_{sys} > 0$
- both $\Delta S_{sys} < 0$ and the magnitude of $\Delta S_{sys} <$ the magnitude of ΔS_{surr}
- both $\Delta S_{sys} < 0$ and the magnitude of $\Delta S_{sys} >$ the magnitude of ΔS_{surr}
- either $\Delta S_{sys} > 0$, or else $\Delta S_{sys} < 0$ but the magnitude of $\Delta S_{sys} <$ the magnitude of ΔS_{surr}**

Since Enthalpy is favorable (exothermic), then entropy could be either favorable or unfavorable. But if it's unfavorable, it must not be bad enough to win over the good enthalpy.

20. Suppose a chemical reaction is found to be **spontaneous**, but with $\Delta S_{sys} < 0$. Which of the following statements must be **TRUE**?

- $\Delta S_{surr} < 0$ and its magnitude is $< \Delta S_{sys}$. In other words, the system loses entropy and the surroundings also lose entropy. The loss by the surroundings is less than the loss by the system.
- $\Delta S_{surr} < 0$ and its magnitude is $> \Delta S_{sys}$. In other words, the system loses entropy and the surroundings also lose entropy. The loss by the surroundings is greater than the loss by the system.
- $\Delta S_{surr} > 0$ and its magnitude is $< \Delta S_{sys}$. In other words, the system loses entropy but the surroundings gain entropy. The gain by the surroundings is less than the loss by the system.
- $\Delta S_{surr} > 0$ and its magnitude is $> \Delta S_{sys}$.** In other words, the system loses entropy but the surroundings gain entropy, and the gain by the surroundings outweighs the loss by the system.
- an error has been made, as $S_{sys} > 0$ by necessity for a spontaneous process.

FREE ENERGY AND CALCULATING ΔG FOR REACTIONS (Math)

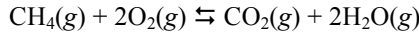
21. Any reaction will be spontaneous if _____

- a. $\Delta G_{sys} > 0$
- b. $\Delta G_{sys} < 0$
- c. $\Delta S_{sys} > 0$
- d. $\Delta S_{sys} < 0$
- e. $\Delta H_{sys} < 0$

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

From ΔG_{formation}

22. What is the ΔG_{rxn} for the reaction given:



G for elements is ZERO

Factor Coefficients

Be patient and systematic! With all the plus/minuses, and multiplying, easy to goof up!

- a. -50.8 kJ/mol
- b. -751 kJ/mol
- c. -113 kJ/mol
- d. -115 kJ/mol
- e. -807 kJ/mol

Substance	ΔG _{form} (kJ/mol)
CH ₄ (g)	50.8
CO ₂ (g)	394.4 ✓
H ₂ O(g)	-228.57 ✓

$\Delta G^\circ = [394.4 + 2 \times (-228.57)] - [50.8 + 2 \times (0)] = -113.54$

23. Determine ΔG_{rxn} for $\text{C}_4\text{H}_{10}(\text{l}) + 13/2 \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 4\text{CO}_2(\text{g}) + 5\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g})$ given the following.

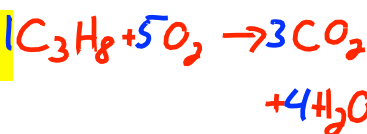
Substance	ΔG _{form} (J/mol · K)
C ₄ H ₁₀ (l)	-15.0
CO ₂ (g)	-394.4
H ₂ O(g)	-228.57

- a. -2705 kJ/mol
- b. -608.0 kJ/mol
- c. -1791 kJ/mol
- d. -3457 kJ/mol
- e. +608.0 kJ/mol

$\Delta G^\circ = [4(-394.4) + 5(-228.57)] - [(-15.0) + 13/2(0)] = -2705$ (Reactants)

24. Given the following data, determine the molar free energy of combustion for propane gas, C₃H₈.

- 1. Balance first.
- 2. Then solve



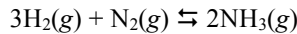
ΔG (C ₃ H ₈ , g)	-23.5 kJ/mol
ΔG (CO ₂ , g)	-394.4 kJ/mol
ΔG (H ₂ O, g)	-105.6 kJ/mol

- a. -1629.1 kJ/mol
- b. -1582.1 kJ/mol
- c. -476.5 kJ/mol
- d. +476.5 kJ/mol
- e. +1582.1 kJ/mol

$\Delta G = [3(-394.4) + 4(-105.6)] - [(-23.5) + 5(0)] = -1582.1$

From ΔH° and ΔS°

25. Hydrogen reacts with nitrogen to form ammonia (NH₃) according to the reaction



The value of ΔH° is -92.38 kJ/mol, and that of ΔS° is -198.2 J/mol · K. Determine ΔG° at 25°C.

- a. $+5.897 \times 10^4$ kJ/mol
- b. +297.8 kJ/mol
- c. -33.32 kJ/mol
- d. -16.66 kJ/mol
- e. +49.5 kJ/mol

Enthalpy good, entropy bad, overall good, so enthalpy won

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

- 1. 25°C = 298K
- 2. Entropy units in J, enthalpy in kJ so need to factor by a thousand.

$\Delta G = -92.38 - \frac{298}{1000}(-198.2) = -33$

26. Hydrochloric acid (HCl) reacts with sodium hydroxide (NaOH) to form sodium chloride (NaCl) and water. If ΔH° = -56.13 kJ/mol and ΔS° = 79.11 J/mol · K, what is ΔG° for this reaction at 20°C?

- a. -79.31 kJ/mol
- b. -77.73 kJ/mol
- c. -2.324×10^4 kJ/mol
- d. 79.31 kJ/mol
- e. -1638 kJ/mol

$\Delta G = (-56.13) - 293(.07911) = -79.31$

FREE ENERGY, ENTROPY, ENTHALPY, EQUILIBRIUM, and TEMPERATURE

27. A reaction is at equilibrium at a given temperature and constant pressure when _____

- a. $\Delta S_{rxn} = 0$.
- b. $\Delta S = 0$.
- c. $\Delta G_{rxn} = 0$.
- d. $\Delta G = 0$.
- e. $\Delta H_{rxn} = 0$.

28. Which of the following statements about equilibrium are true?

- I. $\Delta G_{sys} = 0$
 - II. $\Delta S_{sys} = 0$
 - III. $\Delta S_{universe} = 0$
- a. I only
 - b. II only
 - c. III only
 - d. Both I and II
 - e. Both I and III

29. A reaction with a low enthalpy of reaction value is not spontaneous at low temperature but becomes spontaneous at high temperature. What are the signs for ΔH° and ΔS° , respectively?

- a. +, -
 - b. -, -
 - c. -, +
 - d. +, +
 - e. Insufficient data is provided to answer this question.
1. Entropy factor increases at higher temp.
 2. A temperature "flip" means entropy and enthalpy disagree.
 a. If so, high Temp = entropy control.
 b. low temp = enthalpy control.

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

30. The enthalpy of fusion for benzene (C_6H_6 , 78.0 g/mol) is 127.40 kJ/kg and its melting point is 5.5°C. What is the entropy change when 1 mole of benzene melts at 5.5°C?

- a. 9.95 kJ/K
- b. 35.7 J/K
- c. 1809 J/K
- d. 1.81 J/K
- e. 127.40 kJ/K

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

- At equilibrium $\Delta G^\circ = 0$.
- So, at eq, $\Delta H^\circ = T\Delta S^\circ$
- Phase changes are equilibrium

Oops! Extra hard because enthalpy per kg rather than per mole

→ convert kJ/mol

$$\Delta H = T\Delta S$$

$$9.94 = (5.5 + 273)\Delta S$$

$$\Delta S = .0357 \frac{kJ}{K}$$

$$\Delta H: x \frac{kJ}{kg} = \frac{127.4 kJ}{kg} \cdot \frac{1 kg}{1000 g} \cdot \frac{78 g}{1 mol} = 9.94 \frac{kJ}{mol}$$

31. The entropy of vaporization of water is 109.0 J/mol · K. What is the enthalpy of vaporization of water at its normal boiling point of 100°C?

- a. +10.90 kJ/mol
- b. -40.66 kJ/mol
- c. +3.42 kJ/mol
- d. +40.66 kJ/mol
- e. -10.90 kJ/mol

Note: since entropy favorable, (positive), enthalpy must be unfavorable (also positive). Otherwise vaporization favorable at ALL temps, not just high ones.

$$\Delta H = T\Delta S$$

$$\Delta H = \frac{373 K}{K} \cdot 109 \frac{kJ}{mol} = 40.66$$

32. The enthalpy and entropy of vaporization of ethanol are 38.6 kJ/mol and 109.8 J/mol · K, respectively. What is the boiling point of ethanol, in °C?

- a. 352°C
- b. 78.5°C
- c. 2.84°C
- d. 624°C
- e. Not enough information is given to answer the question.

$$\Delta H = T\Delta S$$

$$38.6 = T(1098)$$

$$T = 351.5 K \rightarrow \text{convert to } ^\circ C$$

$$351.5 K - 273 = 78.5^\circ C$$

- Convert S in J to kJ
- Convert Temp answer in K to °C (subtract 273)

33. Dinitrogen tetroxide (N_2O_4) decomposes to nitrogen dioxide (NO_2). If $\Delta H^\circ = 58.02$ kJ/mol and $\Delta S^\circ = 176.1$ J/mol · K, at what temperature are reactants and products in their standard states at equilibrium?

- a. +56.5°C
- b. +329.5°C
- c. -272.7°C
- d. +25.0°C
- e. +98.3°C

$$\Delta H = T\Delta S$$

$$58.02 = T(1761)$$

- Convert S in J to kJ
- Convert Temp answer in K to °C (subtract 273)

$$329.5 K = T$$

$$\text{convert to } ^\circ C \rightarrow 56.5^\circ C$$

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1. A	21. B
2. A	22. C
3. D	23. A
4. C	24. B
5. D	25. C
6. A	26. A
7. B	27. C
8. C	28. E
9. D	29. D
10. A	30. B
11. C	31. D
12. A	32. B
13. C	33. A
14. A	
15. B	
16. C	
17. D	
18. B	
19. E	
20. D	