

PHY 341/641 Thermodynamics and Statistical Mechanics

MWF: Online at 12 PM & FTF at 2 PM

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Discussion for Lecture 19:

Thermodynamics of equilibrium chemical reactions

Reading: Chapter 5.6

- 1. Comment on calculating moles in solution**
- 2. Chemical reactions in equilibrium**
- 3. Chemical reactions in dilute solutions**

PHYSICS COLLOQUIUM

THURSDAY

MARCH 11, 2021

“Metal Oxos in Chemistry and Biology”

The dianionic oxo ligand occupies a very special place in coordination chemistry, owing to its ability to donate pi electrons to stabilize high oxidation states of metals. The ligand field theory of multiple bonding in metal-oxos predicts that there must be an “oxo wall” between Fe-Ru-Os and Co-Rh-Ir in the periodic table. Metal-oxos on the left side of the wall are reactive intermediates in three of the most important chemical reactions on planet Earth: water oxidation to oxygen in green leaves; oxygen reduction to water in the respiratory chain; and hydrocarbon oxygenation catalyzed by an enzyme called cytochrome P450. I will focus on water oxidation to oxygen in my talk, as the reaction liberates the protons and electrons needed to make clean fuels and materials.



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Course schedule for Spring 2021

Reading assignments are for the **An Introduction to Thermal Physics** by Daniel V. Schroeder.

' assignment numbers refer to problems in that text if written in black and to original problems as described

	Lecture date	Reading	Topic	HW	Due date
1	Wed: 01/27/2021	Chap. 1.1-1.3	Introduction and ideal gas equations	1.21	01/29/2021
2	Fri: 01/29/2021	Chap. 1.2-1.4	First law of thermodynamics	1.17	02/03/2021
3	Mon: 02/01/2021	Chap. 1.5-1.6	Work and heat for an ideal gas		
4	Wed: 02/03/2021	Chap. 1.1-1.6	Review of energy, heat, and work	1.45	02/05/2021
5	Fri: 02/05/2021	Chap. 2.1-2.2	Aspects of entropy		
6	Mon: 02/08/2021	Chap. 2.3-2.4	Multiplicity distributions	2.24	02/10/2021
7	Wed: 02/10/2021	Chap. 2.5-2.6	Entropy and macrostate multiplicity	2.26	02/12/2021
8	Fri: 02/12/2021	Chap. 2.1-2.6	Review of entropy and macrostates	2.32	02/15/2021
9	Mon: 02/15/2021	Chap. 3.1-3.2	Temperature, entropy, heat	3.10a-b	02/17/2021
10	Wed: 02/17/2021	Chap. 3.3-3.4	Temperature, entropy, heat	3.23	02/19/2021
11	Fri: 02/19/2021	Chap. 3.5-3.6	Temperature, entropy, heat	3.28	02/22/2021
12	Mon: 02/22/2021	Chap. 4.1-4.3	Ideal engines and refrigerators	4.1	02/24/2021
13	Wed: 02/24/2021	Chap. 4.3-4.4	Real engines and refrigerators	4.20	02/26/2021
14	Fri: 02/26/2021	Chap. 5.1	Free energy	5.5	03/01/2021
15	Mon: 03/01/2021	Chap. 5.1-5.2	Thermodynamic relations	1.46c-e	03/03/2021
16	Wed: 03/03/2021	Chap. 5.3	Phase transformations	3.33	03/05/2021
17	Fri: 03/05/2021	Chap. 5.4	Multicomponent systems	5.14a-e	03/08/2021
18	Mon: 03/08/2021	5.5	Dilute solutions	#16	03/10/2021
19	Wed: 03/10/2021	5.6	Chemical equilibria	#17	03/12/2021
20	Fri: 03/12/2021	Chap. 1-5	Review		
3/10/2021	Mon: 03/15/2021	No class	PHY 341/641, Spring 2021 -- Lecture 19 APS March Meeting	Take Home Exam	3

PHY 341/641 -- Assignment #16

March 10, 2021

Finish reading Chapter 5 in **Schroeder** .

1. Consider the equilibrium reaction given in Eq. 5.98 of **Schroeder** . Assume that you can represent the number of N_2 molecules in terms of the parameter χ and constant N_0 by $N_0(1-\chi)$. Find a consistent representation for the number of H_2 and NH_3 molecules so that you can estimate the fraction of ammonia molecules which are present at standard temperature pressure. Your textbook gives values for the needed parameters. (You may want to use graphics software for your estimation.)
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Please send me suggestions for topics to be covered in Friday's review.

Your questions –

From Kristen – 1. When they talk about Le Chatelier's principle, does a partial pressure increase mean that the number of particles of that compound have increased?
2. How can we assume from the value of K which direction the reaction is most likely to favor?

From Rich -- How would the set-up change for the dissociation of water example if molarity was used instead of molality?

Comment of boiling point elevation discussion from Lecture 18 --

In terms of Latent heat: $L = T_0 (S_{gas} - S_{liq})$

$$\Rightarrow T = T_0 + \frac{k_B T_0^2 N_B}{L} = T_0 + \frac{RT_0^2 n_B}{L}$$

Example: Boiling temperature of sea water

$$T_0 = 373K$$

$$L = 2260 \text{ kJ/kg} \quad n_B \approx 1.2 \text{ moles/kg}$$

$$T \approx 373.6K$$

How should we estimate n_B ?

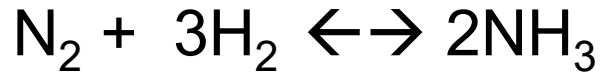
Textbook says that for 1 kg of water there are 35 g of NaCl

Molecular mass of NaCl 58.44 g

$$n_B = 0.6 \quad \text{or} \quad n_B = 1.2 \quad \text{?????}$$

Note that in this lecture we will use “k” for the Boltzmann constant (instead of k_B)

Notion of chemical reactions



In this case, the reaction of hydrogen and nitrogen gas forming ammonia gas can in principle proceed in either direction, depending on conditions.

Consider the following general reaction with 4 particles A, B, C, D :



We use N_A, N_B, N_C, N_D to denote the number of each of the particles.

We want to use the Gibbs free energy to analyze the reaction at fixed T and P .

In the case that all of the particles are approximately ideal gasses, we can start with Gibbs free energy of each type of particle. For particle A, for example:

$$G(T, P, N_A) = -N_A kT \left(\ln \left(\frac{kT}{P_A} \left(\frac{2\pi M_A kT}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} \right) \right)$$

$$= N_A \mu_A^0(T_0, P_0) - N_A kT \ln \left(\left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^{5/2} \frac{P_0}{P_A} \right)$$

For $-\nu_A A - \nu_B B \rightleftharpoons \nu_C C + \nu_D D$ it follows that

$$dN_A = \nu_A d\chi \quad dN_B = \nu_B d\chi \quad dN_C = \nu_C d\chi \quad dN_D = \nu_D d\chi$$

where $d\chi$ measures the "degree of reaction".

It is also useful to define the fraction x_i of each type of particle in terms of the partial pressures $P_i = x_i P$.

Additionally,
$$N = \sum_i N_i$$

In these terms, the Gibbs free energy of the system is

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(T, P, \{N_i\}) &= - \sum_i N_i kT \left(\ln \left(\frac{kT}{P_i} \left(\frac{2\pi M_i kT}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} \right) \right) \\
 &= \sum_i N_i \mu_i^0(T_0, P_0) - \sum_i N_i kT \ln \left(\left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^{5/2} \frac{P_0}{P_i} \right) \\
 &= \sum_i N_i \mu_i^0(T_0, P_0) - \sum_i N_i kT \ln \left(\left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^{5/2} \frac{P_0}{P} \right) + \sum_i N_i kT \ln(x_i) \\
 &= \sum_i N_i \mu_i^0(T_0, P_0) - NkT \ln \left(\left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^{5/2} \frac{P_0}{P} \right) + kT \sum_i \ln(x_i^{N_i})
 \end{aligned}$$

Consider the change in the Gibbs free energy

$$dG = -SdT + VdP + \sum_i \mu_i dN_i$$

where the chemical potentials are

$$\mu_i = \mu_i^0(T_0, P_0) - kT \ln \left(\left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^{5/2} \frac{P_0}{P} \right) + kT \ln(x_i)$$

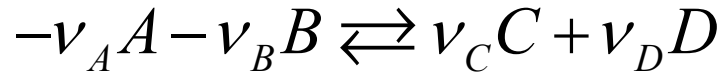
Expressed in terms of the degree of reaction:

$$dG = -SdT + VdP + \sum_i \mu_i \nu_i d\chi$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial \chi} \right)_{T,P} = \sum_i \mu_i \nu_i \equiv \mathcal{A} \quad \text{"affinity"}$$

Note that at constant temperature and pressure, when the reactions is at equilibrium $\mathcal{A}^0=0$

Summary for reaction:



Chemical potential:

$$\mu_i = \mu_i^0(T_0, P_0) - kT \ln \left(\left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^{5/2} \frac{P_0}{P} \right) + kT \ln(x_i)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial \chi} \right)_{T,P} = \sum_i \mu_i \nu_i \equiv \mathbf{a} \quad \text{"affinity"}$$

At equilibrium $\mathbf{a}^0 = 0$

Off equilibrium $\mathbf{a} d\chi < 0$

\Rightarrow Reaction proceeding to the right: $d\chi > 0$ and $\mathbf{a} < 0$

\Rightarrow Reaction proceeding to the left: $d\chi < 0$ and $\mathbf{a} > 0$

$$\mathbf{a}(T, P, \chi) = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial \chi} \right)_{T, P} = \sum_i \mu_i \nu_i$$

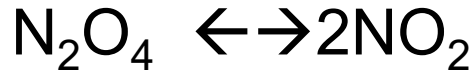
$$\mathbf{a}(T, P, \chi) = \sum_i \mu_i \nu_i = \sum_i \nu_i \mu_i^0(T_0, P_0) - \sum_i \nu_i kT \ln \left(\left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^{5/2} \frac{P_0}{P} \right) + \sum_i kT \ln(x_i^{\nu_i})$$

At equilibrium: $\mathbf{a}(T, P, \chi) = 0$

$$\ln \left(\frac{x_C^{\nu_C} x_D^{\nu_D}}{x_A^{|\nu_A|} x_B^{|\nu_B|}} \right) = \sum_i \nu_i \ln \left(\left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^{5/2} \frac{P_0}{P} \right) - \underbrace{\frac{1}{kT} \sum_i \nu_i \mu_i^0(T_0, P_0)}_{\Delta G(T_0, P_0)}$$

$$\left(\frac{x_C^{\nu_C} x_D^{\nu_D}}{x_A^{|\nu_A|} x_B^{|\nu_B|}} \right)_{T_0 P_0} = e^{-\Delta G(T_0, P_0)/kT_0} \equiv K$$

Consider the gas phase reaction –



$$\nu_A = -1 \quad \nu_C = 2$$

Ref: L. E. Reichl
A modern course in
Statistical Mechanics

Suppose initially only N_2O_4 is present.

$$N_A = N_0(1 - \chi)$$

$$N_C = 2N_0\chi$$

$$x_A = \frac{1 - \chi}{1 + \chi}$$

$$x_C = \frac{2\chi}{1 + \chi}$$

$$\mathcal{A}(T, P, \chi) = \sum_i \nu_i \mu_i^0(T_0, P_0) - \sum_i \nu_i kT \ln \left(\left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^{5/2} \frac{P_0}{P} \right) + kT \ln \left(\frac{(2\chi)^2}{(1 - \chi)(1 + \chi)} \right)$$

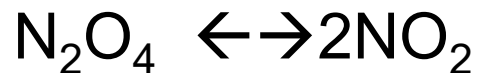
For our example based on one mole (Avogadro's number of particles) and using $k \rightarrow R$

$$R = 8.315 \text{ J/K}$$

For N_2O_4 : $\mu_i^0(T_0, P_0) = 98.3 \text{ kJ}$

For NO_2 : $\mu_i^0(T_0, P_0) = 51.8 \text{ kJ}$

Consider the gas phase reaction –

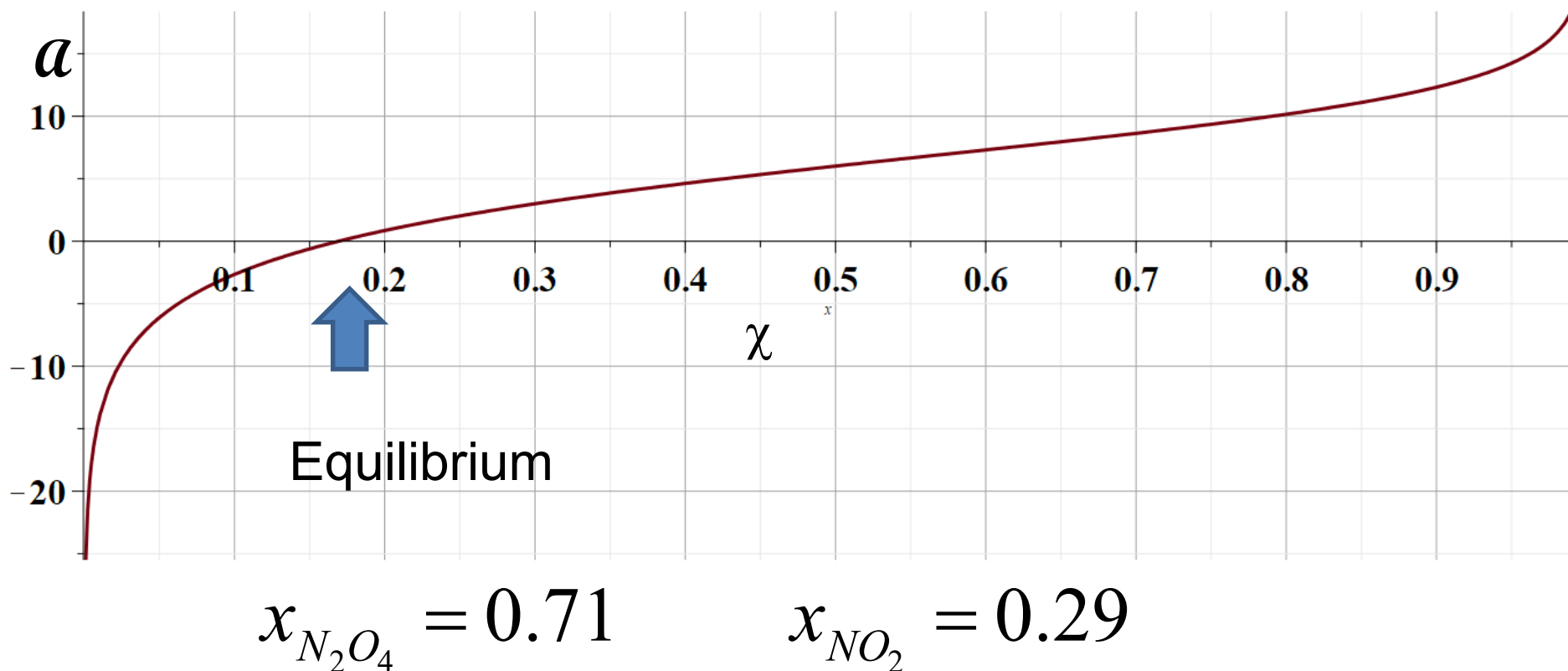


$$\nu_A = -1$$

$$\nu_C = 2$$

At $T_0 = 298\text{K}$

$P_0 = 1 \text{ atm}$



Another example of equilibrium chemical reactions – processes in dilute solutions



In this case, we cannot use the ideal gas expressions but the notions of equilibrium and the “affinity” function are still relevant

$$\mathbf{a}(T, P, \chi) = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial \chi} \right)_{T, P} = \sum_i \mu_i \nu_i \quad \text{At equilibrium, } \mathbf{a}^0(T, P, \chi) = 0 = \sum_i \mu_i \nu_i$$

$$\ln \left(\frac{x_{\text{H}^+} x_{\text{OH}^-}}{x_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}} \right) = -\frac{1}{kT} \sum_i \nu_i \mu_i^0(T_0, P_0)$$

Suppose

$$N_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = N_0(1 - \chi)$$

$$N_{\text{H}^+} = N_{\text{OH}^-} = N_0 \chi$$

$$\left(\frac{x_{\text{H}^+} x_{\text{OH}^-}}{x_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}} \right) = e^{-\Delta G(T_0, P_0)/kT_0} \equiv K$$

$$\text{For } x_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = \frac{1 - \chi}{1 + 2\chi} \approx 1 \quad \text{and} \quad x_{\text{H}^+} = x_{\text{OH}^-} = \frac{\chi}{1 + 2\chi} \approx \chi$$

$$\chi^2 \approx K$$

Using the units in your text book:

$$m_{H^+} = m_{OH^-} = \chi(\text{constant}) = \frac{\text{moles of ion}}{\text{kilograms of water}} = 1 \times 10^{-7}$$

Notion of pH-- $\text{pH} = -\log_{10}(m_{H^+}) = 7$