

Principles of Chemical Equilibrium

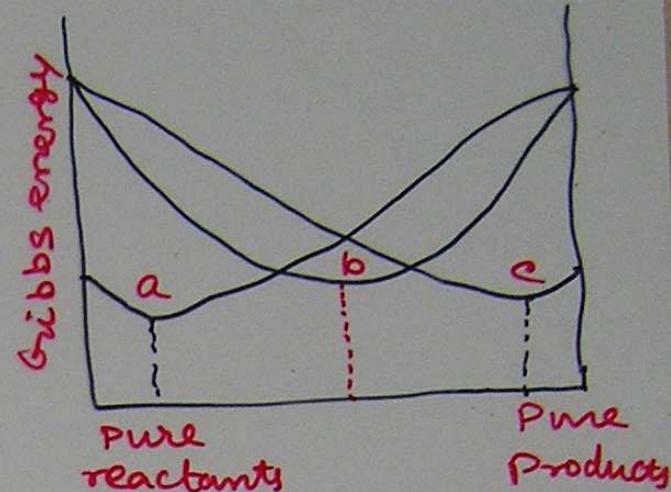
when

ΔG decreases reaction
Proceeds. [Spontaneity]

Reaction a

Reaction b

Reaction c

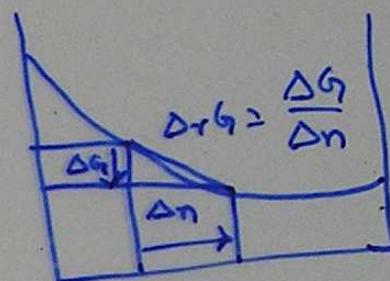


Reaction Gibbs energy:



A + B changes by $- \Delta n$

C + D changes by $+ \Delta n$



μ_A, μ_B, μ_C and μ_D - chemical Potential of A, B, C, D

$\Delta G = \text{Product} - \text{reactant}$ [in terms of Gibbs energy]

$$= [c \Delta n \mu_C + d \Delta n \mu_D] - [a \Delta n \mu_A + b \Delta n \mu_B]$$

$$\Delta rG = \frac{\Delta G}{\Delta n} = [c \mu_C + d \mu_D] - [a \mu_A + b \mu_B]$$

Criteria for chemical equilibrium at constant temp and pre. is

$$\boxed{\Delta rG = 0}$$

ΔrG and composition [relationship]

$$\Delta rG = \Delta rG^\theta + RT \ln \frac{a_c^c a_d^d}{a_A^a a_B^b}$$

$$\Delta rG = \Delta rG^\theta + RT \ln Q$$

[where $Q = \frac{a_c^c a_d^d}{a_A^a a_B^b}$]

activity a_J

Solutes in ideal solution $a_J = [J]/c^\theta$

$[J]$. molar concentration

c^θ . standard concentration. [1 mol dm^{-3}]

for perfect gases $a_J = P_J/P^\theta$

P_J - partial pre. of J

p^θ - standard pre. [1 bar]

For pure solids and liquids $a_J = 1$

Reactions at equilibrium:

Equilibrium Constant $K = \left[\frac{a_c^c a_d^d}{a_A^a a_B^b} \right]_{\text{eqm}}$

At equilibrium $\Delta_r G = 0$

$$\therefore \Delta_r G = \Delta_r G^\theta + RT \ln K$$

$$0 = \Delta_r G^\theta + RT \ln K$$

$$\Delta_r G^\theta = -RT \ln K \quad \text{--- (Problem)}$$

when $\Delta_r G^\theta < 0 \Rightarrow K > 1$
(product dominates)

when $\Delta_r G^\theta > 0 \Rightarrow K < 1$
(reactant dominates)

i.e. reaction is thermodynamically not feasible.

Thermodynamic criteria of spontaneity

Exothermic $\Delta_r H^\theta < 0$

(a) $\Delta_r S^\theta > 0 \Rightarrow \Delta_r G^\theta < 0 ; K > 1$ (all temp)

b) $\Delta_r S^\theta < 0 \Rightarrow \Delta_r G^\theta < 0 ; K \geq 1$
 $\Rightarrow T < \Delta_r H^\theta / \Delta_r S^\theta$

Endothermic $\Delta_r H^\theta > 0$

(a) $\Delta_r S^\theta > 0 \Rightarrow \Delta_r G^\theta < 0 ; K > 1$
 $\Rightarrow T > \Delta_r H^\theta / \Delta_r S^\theta$

(b) $\Delta_r S^\theta < 0 \Rightarrow \Delta_r G^\theta < 0 ;$
 $K > 1$ at no temp.

$$\Delta_r G^\theta = \Delta_r H^\theta - T \Delta_r S^\theta$$

$$T = \frac{\Delta_r H^\theta}{\Delta_r S^\theta} \quad \left[\text{for a reaction to take place} \right]$$

The standard Reaction Gibbs Energy

$$\Delta_r G^\ominus = \sum \rightarrow G_m^\ominus (\text{Products}) - \sum \rightarrow G_m^\ominus (\text{reactants}).$$

$\Delta_r G^\ominus$ cannot be calculated from G_m^\ominus

Step 1.

calculate H_r^\ominus from H_f^\ominus and $\Delta_r S^\ominus$

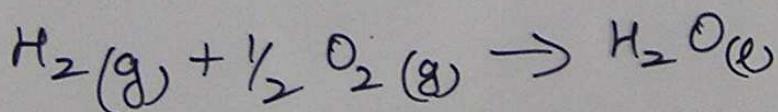
$$\Delta_r G^\ominus = \Delta_r H^\ominus - T \Delta_r S^\ominus$$

\rightarrow Std Gibbs energy of formation

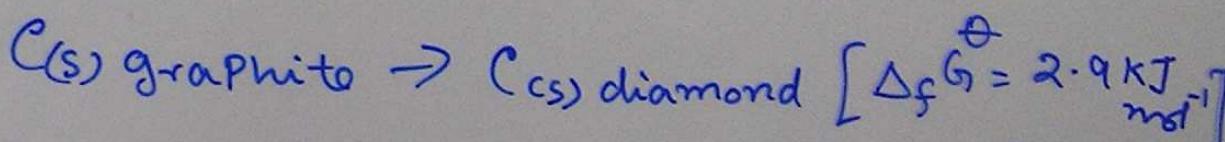
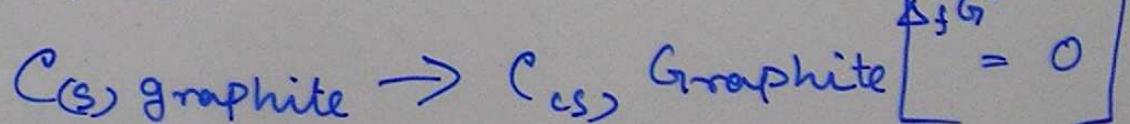
$\Delta_f G^\ominus \Rightarrow$ Std. reaction Gibbs energy

(Per mole) for its formation from the elements in their reference state.

For ex. $\Delta_f G^\ominus (H_2O(l))$ is given by



Formation of



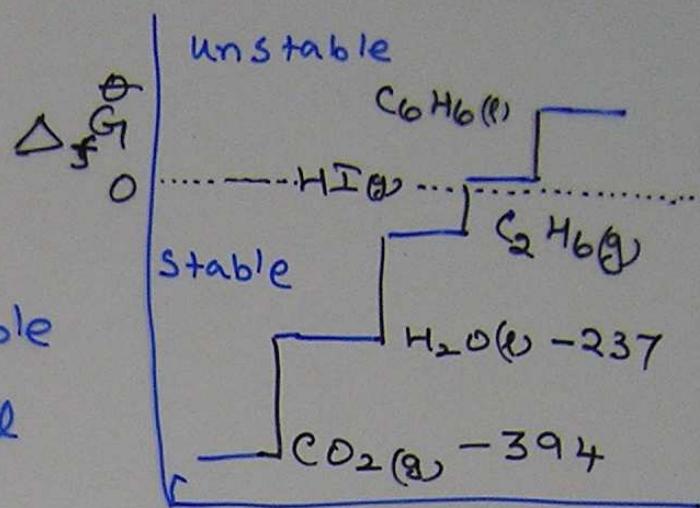
Thus

$$\Delta_r G^\ominus = \sum \Delta_f G^\ominus (\text{product}) - \sum \Delta_f G^\ominus (\text{reactants})$$

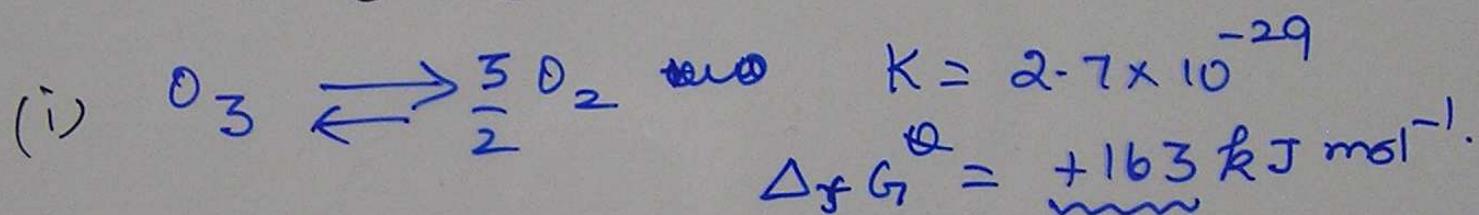
$\Delta_f G^\theta$ used for calculation K.

If $\Delta_f G^\theta = +ve$

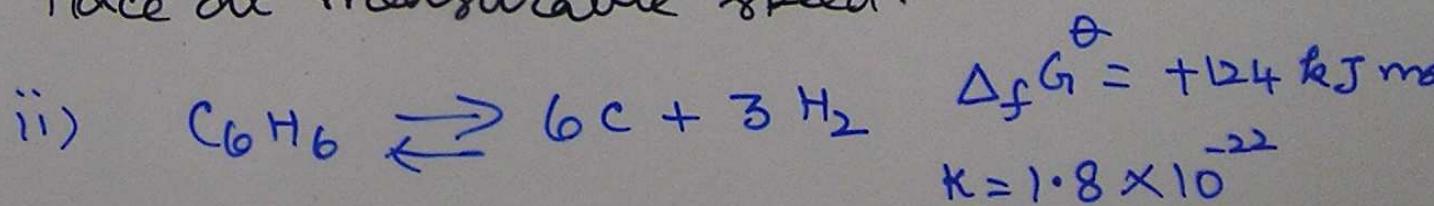
It will move from unstable state to stable elemental state spontaneously.



$\Delta_f G^\theta > 0$ means thermodynamically unstable with respect to its elements, i.e., that is endergonic.



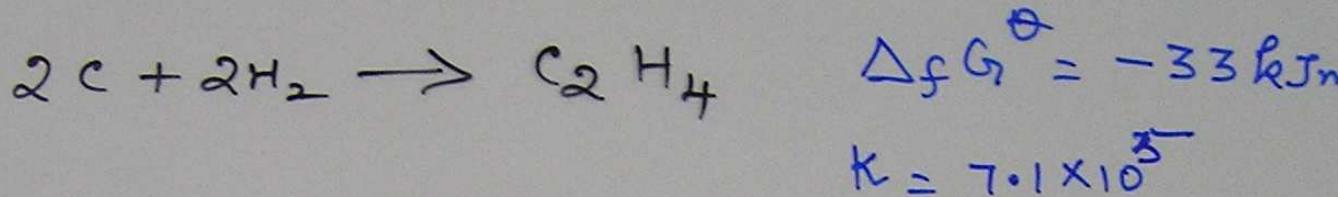
This is a spontaneous reaction. $O_3 \rightarrow O_2$. However the rate is so slow that under normal conditions this does not take place at measurable speed.



It is not possible to make thermodynamically unstable compounds [where $\Delta_f G^\theta > 1$] from its elements. Because the reverse reaction "decomposition" is predominant.

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∴ Endergonic substance should be made by different methods where $\Delta_f G^\ominus < 1$. $\Delta_f G^\ominus < 0$ [$K \geq 1$] are thermodynamically stable [exergonic] with respect to its elements.



The equilibrium composition:

If $K \gg 1$ (ie $K > 10^3$) corresponds to $\Delta_f G^\ominus < -17 \text{ kJ/mol}^{-1}$. This reaction gives products quickly.

If $K \ll 1$ (ie $K < 10^{-3}$) corresponds to $\Delta_f G^\ominus > +17 \text{ kJ/mol}^{-1}$. This reaction does not proceed at all.

∴ for reactions $10^3 > K > 10^{-3}$ (or) $-17 > \Delta_f G^\ominus > +17$ Those reactions tend to be in equilibrium.

Equilibrium constant $K = \frac{[\text{activity}_1][\text{activity}_2]}{[\text{product}/\text{multiplication of activity of equilibrium composition}]}$

How to calculate K

- (i) Know the initial molar conc: (or Partial Pre.)
 [liquids] [gases]
- (ii) change in their quantities to reach equilibrium
- (iii) The final equilibrium values

Assume the change in conc: of one species as 'x'. Based on reaction stoichiometry calculate change in conc: of other species with respect to 'x'. calculate k.

Equilibrium constant in terms of conc: (K).

\Rightarrow K calculated from thermodynamic data.
[gas-phase reactions]

$$K_c = \frac{[\text{NH}_3]^2}{[\text{N}_2][\text{H}_2]^3}$$

K_c is calculated from K.

K_p - K calculated from partial Pre.

K_e - K calculated from molar conc:

$$K = K_c \left[\frac{c^\theta RT}{p^\theta} \right]^{\Delta \gamma_{\text{gas}}}$$

$\Delta \gamma_{\text{gas}}$ = difference in stoichiometric coefficient of product and reactant

Substitute c^\ominus , p^\ominus , R .

$$K = K_c \left[\frac{T}{12.027 K} \right]^{\Delta n_{\text{gas}}}$$

= Relationship between K and K_c

$$K = \frac{\left(\frac{P_c}{P^\ominus} \right)^c \left(\frac{P_D}{P^\ominus} \right)^d}{\left(\frac{P_A}{P^\ominus} \right)^a \left(\frac{P_B}{P^\ominus} \right)^b}$$

$$K_c = \frac{\left(\frac{[c]}{c^\ominus} \right)^c \left(\frac{[D]}{c^\ominus} \right)^d}{\left(\frac{[A]}{c^\ominus} \right)^a \left(\frac{[B]}{c^\ominus} \right)^b}$$

using Perfect gas equation

$$PV = nRT \Rightarrow P_J = \frac{nJ RT}{V} = [J] RT$$

$$K = \frac{\left(\frac{[c]RT}{P^\ominus} \right)^c \left(\frac{[D]RT}{P^\ominus} \right)^d}{\left(\frac{[A]RT}{P^\ominus} \right)^a \left(\frac{[B]RT}{P^\ominus} \right)^b}$$

$$= \frac{[c]^c [D]^d}{[A]^a [B]^b} \times \left[\frac{RT}{P^\ominus} \right]^{(c+d)-(a+b)}$$

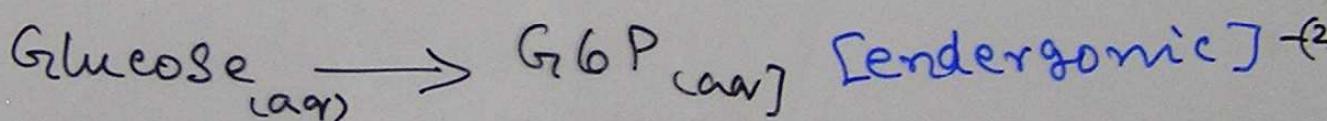
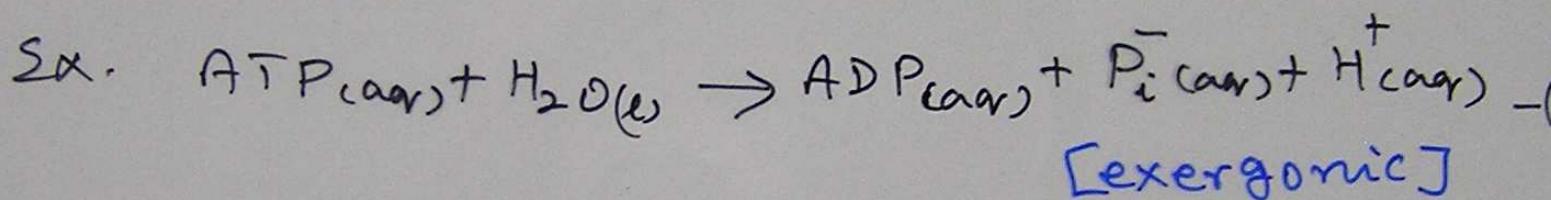
$$K_c = \frac{[c]^c [D]^d}{[A]^a [B]^b} \left[\frac{1}{c^\ominus} \right]^{(c+d)-(a+b)}$$

$$K = K_c \left[\frac{c^\ominus RT}{P^\ominus} \right]^{(c+d)-(a+b)}$$

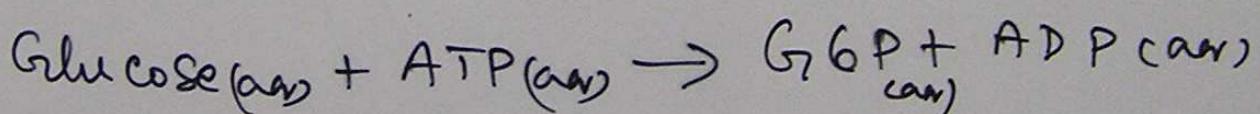
Coupled Reactions.

A reaction that is not spontaneous can be driven forward by coupling it to a spontaneous reaction.

i.e. An endergonic reaction ($\Delta_r G > 0$) can be forced to occur by coupling this to an exergonic reaction ($\Delta_r G < 0$). The overall reaction is spontaneous if $\Delta_r G + \Delta_r G' = -\nu E$.



I+2



Biological std. state $pH = 7$ $G^\oplus, H^\oplus, S^\oplus$

Hydrolysis of ATP

$$\Delta_r G^\oplus = -31 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} \quad \Delta_r H^\oplus = -20 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta_r S^\oplus = +34 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

\therefore Hydrolysis is exergonic ($\Delta_r G < 0$).

Response to of equilibria to the conditions
Le Chatelier's Principle

when a system at equilibrium is subjected to a disturbance, the composition of the system adjusts so as to tend to minimize the effect of the disturbance.

"Change of Pre, temp. affects the reaction".

(i) Presence of catalyst.

Catalyst does not change "K".

(ii) Effect of temp:

Exothermic \Rightarrow Shift towards reactants

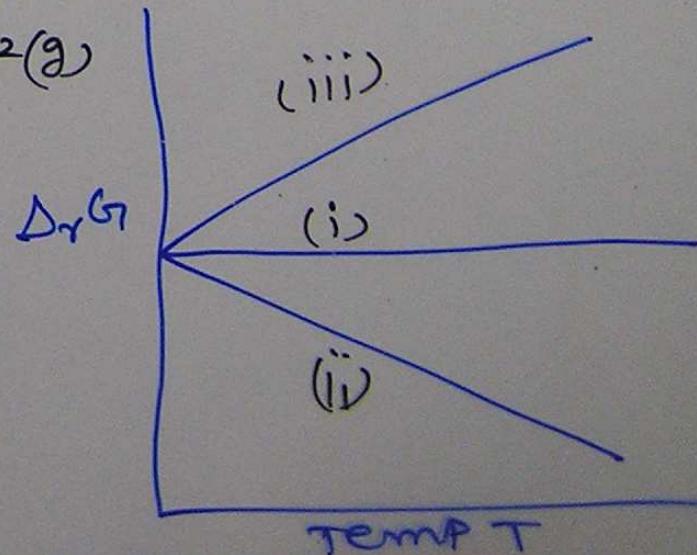
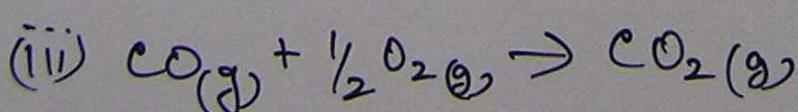
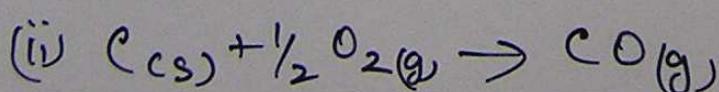
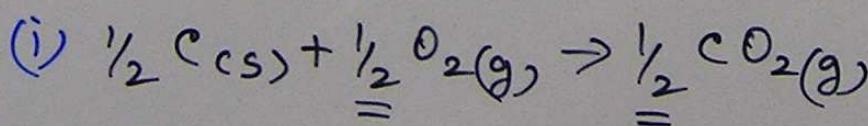
Endothermic \Rightarrow Shift towards Products

$\Delta_r G^\circ$ with respect to temp [K is similar].

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

Assume "H" and "S" does not change

$\therefore \Delta_r G^\circ = -(\text{temp. change}) \times \text{entropy change}$



We know $\Delta_r G^\theta = -RT \ln K$

$$\Rightarrow \ln K = \frac{\Delta_r G^\theta}{RT} = \frac{-(\Delta_r H^\theta - T \Delta_r S^\theta)}{RT}$$

$$= -\frac{\Delta_r H^\theta}{RT} + \frac{\Delta_r S^\theta}{R} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

When $T \rightarrow T'$ then $K \rightarrow K'$

$$\therefore \ln K' = -\frac{\Delta_r H^\theta}{RT'} + \frac{\Delta_r S^\theta}{R} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$(2) \quad \ln K' - \ln K = \left[-\frac{\Delta_r H^\theta}{RT'} + \frac{\Delta_r S^\theta}{R} \right] - \left[-\frac{\Delta_r H^\theta}{RT} + \frac{\Delta_r S^\theta}{R} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\Delta_r H^\theta}{R} \left[\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T'} \right]$$

$$\ln \frac{K'}{K} = \frac{\Delta_r H^\theta}{R} \left[\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T'} \right]$$

Van't Hoff equation.

Case (i) $T' > T$

for endothermic reaction $\Delta_r H^\theta > 0$.

$\therefore \ln K' > \ln K$ or else $K' > K$.

In other words Equilibrium constant K increases as temp. increases. ie more product is formed for endothermic reaction.

case (ii)

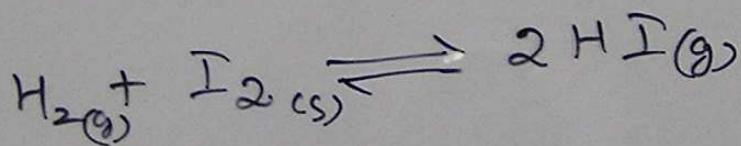
for exothermic reaction $\Delta_r H^\theta < 0$.

$$K' < K.$$

Effect of compression

when a system at equilibrium is compressed, the composition of a gas-phase equilibrium adjusts ~~so~~ so as to reduce the number of molecules in the gas phase.

$\Delta_r G^\theta$ change in Gibbs energy of the substance in std. state i.e 1 bar.
ie $\Delta_r G^\theta$ is same whatever is the Pre.
 $\therefore K$ is independent of Pre. $[K \propto \Delta_r G^\theta]$



(i) Initial Pre: = x

(ii) Pre: after 30 min = $\frac{x}{2} \cdot 2x$

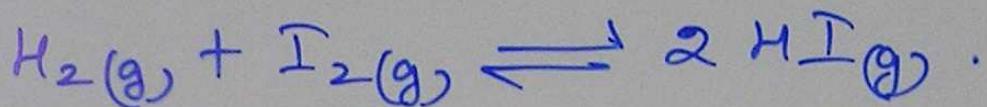
In other words Partial Pre is doubles.

$$K = \frac{P_{HI}^2}{P_{H_2}} ; \quad K' = \frac{(2 P_{HI})^2}{2 P_{H_2}} = 2K.$$

But we know K is independent of Pre.
So K will not change.

Hence the conc: should change to keep "K" constant. ie more product should be formed.

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For this reaction Pre: has no effect. ie compression will not favour forward or backward reaction.

Similarly inert gases present in the reaction (N_2 , Ar etc.) does not affect equilibrium constant. In other words they do not affect the rate of the reaction.