

WW5: Standard Enthalpy Formation & Hess' Law

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1. Calculate the heat combustion at constant pressure of liquid ethanol.

The given reaction which shows the combustion of liquid ethanol:



ΔH_f° [Reactants]:

$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}(\text{l}) = -277.69 \text{ kJ/mol}$

$\text{O}_2(\text{g}) = 0 \text{ kJ/mol}$

ΔH_f° [Products]:

$\text{CO}_2(\text{g}) = -393.509 \text{ kJ/mol}$

$\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) = -285.83 \text{ kJ/mol}$

$\Delta H^\circ_{\text{rxn}} = \sum nH_f^\circ [\text{Products}] - \sum nH_f^\circ [\text{Reactants}]$

$\Delta H^\circ_{\text{rxn}} = [2(-393.509) + 3(-285.83)] - [-277.69 + 3(0)]$

$\Delta H^\circ_{\text{rxn}} = [-787.018 + -857.49] - [-277.69]$

$\Delta H^\circ_{\text{rxn}} = (-1644.98) - (-277.69)$

$\Delta H^\circ_{\text{rxn}} = -1367.29$