

Chapter 6: Phase Equilibria I: Problem Formulation

1. To manufacture diamonds at 25°C requires increasing the pressure until graphite and diamond are in equilibrium. The following data are available at 25°C :

$$\Delta g(25^\circ\text{C}, 1 \text{ atm}) = g_{\text{diamond}} - g_{\text{graphite}} = 2866 \text{ J/mol}$$

$$\rho_{\text{diamond}} = 3.51 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

$$\rho_{\text{graphite}} = 2.26 \text{ g/cm}^3.$$

Estimate the pressure at which these two forms of carbon are in equilibrium at 25°C .

2. The vapor pressure of silver (between 1234 K and 2485 K) is given by the following expression:

$$\ln P = -\frac{14260}{T} - 0.458 \ln T + 12.23$$

with P in torr, and T in K . Estimate the enthalpy of vaporization at 1500 K . State the assumptions that you make.

3. Pure ethanol boils at a temperature of 63.5°C at a pressure of 400 torr. It also boils at 78.4°C and 760 torr. Using only these data, estimate the saturation pressure for ethanol at 100°C .
4. An alternative criteria for chemical equilibrium between two phases of pure species i can be written:

$$\left(\frac{g_i}{T}\right)^\alpha = \left(\frac{g_i}{T}\right)^\beta$$

Apply the thermodynamic web to show that the partial derivative of this function with respect to temperature at constant pressure is given by:

$$\left[\frac{\partial\left(\frac{g_i}{T}\right)}{\partial T}\right]_P = -\frac{h_i}{T^2}.$$

5. At 900 K , solid Sr has values of enthalpy and entropy of 20.285 kJ/(mol) and 91.222 J/(mol K) , respectively. At 1500 K , liquid Sr has values of enthalpy and entropy of 49.179 kJ/mol and 116.64 J/(mol K) , respectively. The heat capacity for the solid and liquid phases is given by:

$$(c_p)_{\text{Sr}}^{(s)} = 37.656 \text{ J/(mol K)}, (c_p)_{\text{Sr}}^{(l)} = 35.146 \text{ J/(mol K)}$$

respectively. Using only these data, determine the temperature of the phase transition between solid and liquid. What is the enthalpy of fusion? Hint: The result of Problem 4 could be useful.

6. Determine the second virial coefficient, B , for CS_2 at $100^\circ C$ from the following data. The saturation pressure of carbon disulfide (CS_2) has been fit to the following equation:

$$\ln P_{CS_2}^{sat} = 62.7839 - \frac{4.7063 \times 10^3}{T} - 6.7794 \ln T + 8.0194 \times 10^{-3} T$$

where T is in K and $\ln P_{CS_2}^{sat}$ is in Pa. The enthalpy of vaporization for CS_2 at $100^\circ C$ has been reported as

$$\Delta h_{vap, CS_2} = 24.050 \text{ KJ/mol.}$$

Compare the reported value of

$$B_{CS_2} = -492 \text{ cm}^3/\text{mol.} \quad (1)$$

7. Consider a mixture of species 1, 2, and 3. The following equation of state is available for the vapor phase:

$$Pv = RT + P^2[A(y_1 - y_2) + B],$$

where

$$\frac{A}{RT} = -9.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ atm}^{-2}, \quad \frac{B}{RT} = 3.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ atm}^{-2}$$

and y_1 , y_2 , and y_3 are the mole fractions of species 1, 2 and 3, respectively. Consider a vapor mixture with 1 mole of species 1, 2 moles of species 2, and 2 moles of species 3 at a pressure of 50 atm and a temperature of 500K. Calculate the following quantities: v , V , v_1 , v_2 , v_3 , \bar{V}_1

8. Enthalpies of mixing for binary mixtures of cadmium (Cd) and tin (Sn) have been fit to the following equation at $500^\circ C$:

$$\Delta h_{mix} = 13000 X_{Cd} X_{Sn} \text{ J/mol.}$$

where X_{Cd} , X_{Sn} are the cadmium and tin mole fractions, respectively. Consider a mixture of 3 moles Cd and 2 moles Sn.

(a) Show that

$$(\bar{\Delta H}_{mix})_{Cd} = \bar{H}_{Cd} - h_{Cd}.$$

(b) Based on the equations above, calculate values for $\bar{H}_{Cd} - h_{Cd}$, and $\bar{H}_{Sn} - h_{Sn}$ at $500^\circ C$.

(c) Show that the results are consistent with the Gibbs-Duhem equation.