# **AP® CHEMISTRY EQUATIONS AND CONSTANTS**

Throughout the exam the following symbols have the definitions specified unless otherwise noted.

L, mL = liter(s), milliliter(s)

g = gram(s)

nm = nanometer(s) atm = atmosphere(s) mm Hg = millimeters of mercury J, kJ = joule(s), kilojoule(s)

V = volt(s)mol = mole(s)

### ATOMIC STRUCTURE

$$E = h \nu$$

$$c = \lambda v$$

E = energy

v = frequency

 $\lambda$  = wavelength

Planck's constant,  $h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \,\mathrm{J}\,\mathrm{s}$ 

Speed of light,  $c = 2.998 \times 10^8 \,\mathrm{m \, s^{-1}}$ 

Avogadro's number =  $6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ 

Electron charge,  $e = -1.602 \times 10^{-19}$  coulomb

## **EQUILIBRIUM**

$$K_c = \frac{[\mathbf{C}]^c[\mathbf{D}]^d}{[\mathbf{A}]^a[\mathbf{B}]^b}$$
, where  $a \mathbf{A} + b \mathbf{B} \iff c \mathbf{C} + d \mathbf{D}$ 

$$K_p = \frac{(P_{\rm C})^c (P_{\rm D})^d}{(P_{\rm A})^a (P_{\rm B})^b}$$

$$K_a = \frac{[H^+][A^-]}{[HA]}$$

$$K_b = \frac{[\mathrm{OH}^-][\mathrm{HB}^+]}{[\mathrm{B}]}$$

$$K_w = [H^+][OH^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-14} \text{ at } 25^{\circ}\text{C}$$
  
=  $K_a \times K_b$ 

$$pH = -log[H^+], pOH = -log[OH^-]$$

$$14 = pH + pOH$$

$$pH = pK_a + \log \frac{[A^-]}{[HA]}$$

$$pK_a = -\log K_a$$
,  $pK_b = -\log K_b$ 

## **Equilibrium Constants**

 $K_c$  (molar concentrations)

 $K_p$  (gas pressures)

 $K_a$  (weak acid)

 $K_b$  (weak base)

 $K_w$  (water)

#### **KINETICS**

$$[A]_t - [A]_0 = -kt$$

$$\ln[\mathbf{A}]_t - \ln[\mathbf{A}]_0 = -kt$$

$$\frac{1}{\left[\mathbf{A}\right]_{t}} - \frac{1}{\left[\mathbf{A}\right]_{0}} = kt$$

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{k}$$

$$k = \text{rate constant}$$

$$t = time$$

$$t_{1/2}$$
 = half-life

#### GASES, LIQUIDS, AND SOLUTIONS

$$PV = nRT$$

$$P_A = P_{\text{total}} \times X_A$$
, where  $X_A = \frac{\text{moles A}}{\text{total moles}}$ 

$$P_{total} = P_{A} + P_{B} + P_{C} + \dots$$

$$n = \frac{m}{M}$$

$$K = {}^{\circ}C + 273$$

$$D = \frac{m}{V}$$

$$KE_{\text{molecule}} = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

Molarity, M =moles of solute per liter of solution

$$A = \varepsilon b c$$

P = pressure

V = volume

T = temperature

n = number of moles

m = mass

M = molar mass

D = density

KE = kinetic energy

v = velocity

A = absorbance

 $\varepsilon$  = molar absorptivity

b = path length

c = concentration

Gas constant,  $R = 8.314 \,\mathrm{J} \,\mathrm{mol}^{-1} \mathrm{K}^{-1}$ 

 $= 0.08206 L atm mol^{-1} K^{-1}$ 

 $= 62.36 L torr mol^{-1} K^{-1}$ 

1 atm = 760 mm Hg = 760 torr

STP = 273.15 K and 1.0 atm

Ideal gas at STP =  $22.4 \text{ L mol}^{-1}$ 

#### THERMODYNAMICS/ELECTROCHEMISTRY

$$q = mc\Delta T$$

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

$$\Delta H^{\circ} = \sum \Delta H_f^{\circ} \text{ products} - \sum \Delta H_f^{\circ} \text{ reactants}$$

$$\Delta G^{\circ} = \sum \Delta G_f^{\circ} \text{ products } - \sum \Delta G_f^{\circ} \text{ reactants}$$

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

$$= -RT \ln K$$

$$= -nFE^{\circ}$$

$$I = \frac{q}{t}$$

$$E_{cell} = E_{cell}^{o} - \frac{RT}{nF} \ln Q$$

q = heat

m = mass

c =specific heat capacity

T = temperature

 $S^{\circ} = \text{standard entropy}$ 

 $H^{\circ}$  = standard enthalpy

 $G^{\circ}$  = standard Gibbs free energy

n = number of moles

 $E^{\circ}$  = standard reduction potential

I = current (amperes)

q = charge (coulombs)

t = time (seconds)

Q = reaction quotient

Faraday's constant, F = 96,485 coulombs per mole

of electrons

1 volt = 
$$\frac{1 \text{ joule}}{1 \text{ coulomb}}$$