Chapter 4:: Thermochemistry

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# Thermochemistry

#### Motivation

We want to study the relationship between energy and chemical reactions, along with transformations between forms of energy on a macroscopic scale. Recall that the following happens during reactions::

- Bonds broken  $\implies$  requires energy (endothermic,  $\Delta H > 0$ )
- Bonds formed  $\implies$  releases energy (exothermic,  $\Delta H < 0$ )
- Temperature change
- Gases released or consumed (due to work)

## Enthalpy of reactions

- $\forall R(P \equiv const)$ , we have that  $q_P = \Delta_r H$  (standard enthalpy of reaction).
- $\Delta_r H^{\circ}$  has units of kJ
- $\Delta_r H^{\circ}$  is the enthaly change when reactants in standard state are converted to products in **standard state**.
- Enthalpy is an extensive property.

#### Hess' law

Recall that the standard change in enthalpy for a reaction can be calculated with::

$$\Delta_r H^{\circ} = \sum_{products} v \Delta_f \bar{H}_{prod}^{\circ} - \sum_{reactants} v \Delta_f \bar{H}_{rxt}^{\circ}$$

where v is the stoichiometric coefficients of the products and reactants respectively.

#### Standard enthalpies of formation

The following property applies to elements ( $\zeta$ ) in their standard state

$$\forall \zeta \in \mathbb{S}(\Delta H_f^{\circ}(\zeta) = 0)$$

Enthalpy of formation always produces exactly  ${\bf 1}$  mol of the species of interest. For example::

$$R: C(s)_{graphite} + 2H_2(g) \rightarrow CH_4(g)|\Delta H_f^{\circ} = -74.8kJ/mol$$

In the above reaction, we assume C(s) is graphite.

$$\frac{3}{2}H_{2}(g) + \frac{1}{2}N_{2}(g) \to NH_{3}(g)|\Delta H_{f}^{\circ} = -46kJ/mol$$

Note that we **must** restrict the reactant coefficient to 1 in order for it to be a formation reaction.

#### Standard state

- For a pure gas the pressure is exactly 1bar
- $\bullet$  For liquids and solids, the pressure is 1 bar and the temperature is 25°C
- For a substance in solution, the concentration is exactly  $1 mol L^{-1}$ .

#### Example

Calculate  $\Delta H$  and  $\Delta U$  at 298.15K for the reaction::

$$R: 4NH_3(q) + 6NO(q) \rightarrow 5N_2(q) + 6H_2O(q)$$

We have one pure element  $(N_2(g))$ , so it requires 0 energy by default. So, we can plug them in

$$\Delta_R H^{\circ} = \sum v \Delta H_f(prod) - \sum v \Delta H_f(rxt)$$

$$= 5(0kJmol^{-1}) - 5(241.8kJmol^{-1}) + 4(45.9kJmol^{-1}) - 6(91.3kJmol^{-1}) = -1815.0kJmol^{-1}$$

Because  $\Delta H < 0$ , we have that the reaction is exothermic. So we can now calculate our internal energy of the reaction.

$$\Delta U(reaction) = \Delta H(reaction) - \Delta nRT$$

$$= (-1815.0) - 1(8.314472jK^{-1}mol^{-1})(298.15K) = -1817.5kJmol^{-1}$$

# Obtaining $\Delta_f H^{\circ}$

- Direct method:: Only works for compounds that can be directly synthesized from their elements. This is not usually the case, so we have to use the indirect method.
- Indirect method:: based on Hess' law

$$\Delta H_{overall} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Delta H_i$$

#### Hess' law continued

For a multi step process, we can sum up reactions to calculate different values of  $\Delta H^{\circ}$ . Take the Haber process as an example::

$$\begin{split} R: 2H_2(g) + N_2(g) &\to 2NH_3 | \Delta H_3 = -92.2kJ \\ R_1: 2H_2(g) + N_2(g) &\to N_2H_4(g) | \Delta H_1 = ? \\ R_2: N_2H_4(g) + H_2(g) &\to 2NH_3(g) | \Delta H_2 = -187.6kJ \end{split}$$

We can calculate  $\Delta H_1$  from subtracting  $\Delta H_3$  from  $\Delta H_2$ . So we get  $\Delta H_1 = 95.4kJ$ .

When multiplying reactions by a factor, we also need to multiply their  $\Delta H$  with the same factor.

#### Bond enthalpies

For the dissocation of nitrogen and other gases, it has special meaning since there is only one bond.

$$N_2(g) \rightarrow 2N(g)|\Delta_r H^\circ = 941.4kJ$$

This is really high because nitrogen gas is held together by a triple bond.

For polyatomic moecules, there's more than one bond, so we can refer to it as average bond enthalpy.

$$H_2O(g) \to \frac{1}{2}H_2(g) + OH(g)|\Delta_r H^\circ = 502kJ$$
  
 $OH(g) \to O(g) + H(g)|\Delta_r H^\circ = 427kJ$ 

OH and  $H_2O$  have the same elements, but the energy required to break them are different.

## Example 2 (slide 19)

Calculate the single bond enthalpy and energy for Si - F, given  $\Delta H_f(SiF_4) = -1614.9kJ/mol$ 

$$R: Si(s) + 2F_2(g) \to SiF_4(g)|\Delta H_f(SiF_4) = -1614.9kJmol^{-1}$$

$$R_1: SiF_4 \to Si(s) + 2F_2(g)|\Delta H_r = 1614.9kJmol^{-1}$$

$$R_2: 2F_2(g) \to 4F(g)|\Delta H_r = 4(79.4)kJmol^{-1}$$

$$R_3: Si(s) \to Si(g)|\Delta H_r = 450kJmol^{-1}$$

So the final reaction is::

$$R_f: SiF_4(g) \to Si(g) + 4F(g)|\Delta H_r = 2382.5kJmol^{-1}$$

So average Si - F bond enthalpy can be calculated::

$$E[\Delta H] = \frac{2382.5}{4} = 596kJmol^{-1}$$

And we can calculate internal energy.

$$E[\Delta U] = \Delta H - \Delta nRT = 2382.5 - 4(8.314)(298.15) = 2372.6kJmol^{-1}$$
  
Dividing  $\Delta U$  by 4, we have that average  $Si - F$  bond energy is  $593kJmol^{-1}$ 

#### Dependence on temperature

What happens when  $T \neq 298.15K$ ?

$$H_T^{\circ} = H_{298.15K}^{\circ} + \int_{298.15K}^T C_P(T')dT'$$

So we can say that for a reaction where elements are included::

$$\Delta C_P(T') = \sum_{i} v_i C_{P,i}(T')$$

$$\Delta_r H^{\circ}(T) = \Delta_r H^{\circ}(298.15K) + \int_{298.15K}^{T} \Delta C_P(T') dT'$$

## Example 3 (slide 22)

Calculate  $\Delta H_f^{\circ}$  for NO(g) at 840K assuming that the heat capacities of reactants and products are constant over the temperature interval at their values at 298.15K.  $\Delta H_f$  for NO(g) at 298.16K = 91.3kJmol<sup>-1</sup> We can calculate  $\Delta C_P$  first.

$$\Delta C_P = C_P(NO(g)) - \frac{1}{2}C_P(N_2(g)) - \frac{1}{2}C_P(O_2(g)) = 29.86 - \frac{1}{2}(29.13) - \frac{1}{2}(29.38) = 0.605JK^{-1}mol^{-1}$$

Full solution is on the slide.

#### Combustion

The general form of a combustion of carbohydrates is::

$$R_{comb}: C_x H_y + O_2(g) \to CO_2(g) + H_2O(l), x, y \in \mathbb{N}$$

When number of moles is given, we can calculate the amount of heat released by multiplying  $\Delta H_f^{\circ}$  by the number of moles since  $\Delta H_f^{\circ}$  is for exactly 1 mole.

#### Example 4

Calculate the amount of heat released when 3.76mol of  $Ca(OH)_2$  are allowed to react.

$$R: Ca(OH)_2 + CO_2 \rightarrow CaCO_3 + H_2O|\Delta H = -69.1kJ(nice!)$$

$$\Delta H_r = -69.1(3.76) \approx -259.8kJ$$

# Calorimetry with constant volume (applications)

We obtain the heat exchange of a reaction indirectly through means of a calorimeter.

$$q_{rxn} = -q_{calorimeter}$$

- In a constant volume scenario (bomb calorimetry), we have that  $q_v = \Delta U$
- In a constant pressure scenario, we have that  $q_P = \Delta U + P\Delta V$

Consider a system  $\Sigma$  where  $\Sigma$  contains reactants in the calorimeter, an inner water bath, and a calorimeter vessel (by itself without the water in it). We can model this system's internal energy with the following equation::

$$\Delta U_{\Sigma} = \frac{m_S}{M_S} \Delta_C U + \frac{m_{H_2O}}{M_{H_2O}} C_{P,m}(H_2O, l) \Delta T + C_{cal} \Delta T = 0$$

We have to know the following to use this model::

- mass and molar mass of sample
- mass and heat capacity of water
- heat capacity of calorimeter (determined via separate experiment)

We also wish to measure  $\Delta T$  whereby we can measure  $\Delta U$ .

#### Example

The dipeptide glycylglycine  $(C_4H_8O_3N_2)$  has a standard enthalpy of combustion of  $-1969kJmol^{-1}$ . Calculate q, w,  $\Delta U$ , and  $\Delta H$  when 10.0g of glycine are burned at T=298K and a constant pressure of 1.00bar. Assume the combustion products are carbon dioxide gas, nitrogen gas, and liquid water.

Our reaction is the following::

$$R: C_4 H_8 O_3 N_2(s) + \frac{9}{2} O_2(g) \to N_2(g) + 4CO_2(g) + 4H_2 O(l), n(C_4 H_8 O_3 N_2) = 0.0757$$

$$\Delta H_{comb} = {}_{comb} = \frac{(-1969)(10)}{132.12} = -149.0 kJ$$

$$\Delta U_{comb} = \Delta H comb - \Delta nRT = -149.12 kJ$$

$$w_{comb} = -p_{ext}\Delta V = -RT\Delta n = -93.78J$$

## Constant presure calorimetry

For an isobaric system  $\Sigma$ , we are mainly concerned about the change in enthalpy of the system.

$$\Delta H_{\Sigma}^{\circ} = \frac{m_S}{M_s} \Delta_s H^{\circ} + \frac{m_{H_2O}}{M_{H_2O}} C_{P,m}(H_2O, l) \Delta T + C_{cal} \Delta T = 0$$

# Example

In a constant pressure calorimeter, 33.3mL of 0.100M  $AgNO_3$  is mixed with 33.3mL of 0.100MHCl. The reaction  $Ag^+(aq) + Cl^-(aq)$  takes place. The temperature of the reactants was  $25.60^{\circ}C$  and the final temperature is  $26.47^{\circ}C$ . Calculate the molar enthalpy change for this reaction.

First, we can calculate the moles of  $AgNO_3$ 

$$n(AqNO_3) = n(HCl) = (0.0333L)(0.100M) = 0.0033mol$$

$$q = m_S C_S \Delta T = 2(33.3)(4.18)(26.47 - 25.6) = 242.2J \implies q_{rxn} = -242.2J$$

So for molar enthalpy, we simply divide by number of moles.

$$\Delta H_{rxn} = \frac{-242.2}{0.00333} = -72.7 \frac{kJ}{mol}$$

# Differential scanning calorimetry

It's just bio stuff. Don't worry about it.

# Practice problems (tutorial)

### Question 1

Benzoic acid  $(C_6H_5COOH)$ , 1.35g, is reacted with oxygen in a constant volume calorimeter to form  $H_2O(l)$  and  $CO_2(g)$ . The mass of the water in the inner bath is  $1.240 \times 10^3 g$ . The temperature of the calorimeter and its content rise 3.45K as a result of this reaction. Calculate the calorimeter constant. Note that the standard enthalpy of combustion of benzoic acid (298K) is -3228.0kJmol-1

First, we need to balance our equation.

$$2C_6H_5COOH(aq) + \frac{15}{2}O_2(g) \rightarrow 7CO_2(g) + 3H_2O(l)$$

Because  $V \equiv const$ , we have that  $\Delta U = q_{rxn}$ . To find  $\Delta U$ , we need to use  $\Delta H$ .

$$\Delta U = \Delta H - \Delta nRT = -3228.0 - (7 - 7.5) \left(\frac{8.314}{1000}\right) (298K) = -3226.8 \frac{kJ}{mol}$$

So to calculate the calorimeter constant,

$$q_{rxn} = n\Delta U_{rxn} = -35.72kJ = -q_{surr}$$

$$q_{surr} = q_w + q_{cal} = m_w C_w \Delta T + C_{cal} \Delta T = 35720 J$$

After plugging in our values and isolating for  $C_{cal}$ , we find that  $C_{cal} = -322.8 \frac{kJ}{mol}$ 

#### Question 2

Under anaerobic conditions, glucose is broken down in muscle tissue to form lactic acid according to the reaction  $C_6H_{12}O_6 \rightarrow 2CH_3CHOHCOOH$ . The standard enthalpy of formation (T=298K) for glucose and lactic acid are  $-1273.1kJmol^{-1}$  and  $-673.6kJmol^{-1}$ ; and the  $C_P$  are 219.2J/Kmol and 127.6J/kmol, respectively. Calculate the enthalpy of reaction when 5g of glucose react at 330K assuming the change in heat capacity of the reaction is negligible.

$$\Delta H_r = 2(-673.6) - (-1273.1) = -74.1 \frac{kJ}{mol} | T = 298K$$

We need  $\Delta C_P$  to ind  $\Delta H_r$  at 330K.

$$\Delta C_P(2(127.6) - 219.2) = 36 \frac{J}{Kmol}$$

So,

$$\Delta H_{320K} = \Delta H_{298K} + \int_{298}^{330} C_P dt = 74100 + (36)(320 - 298) = -72948 \frac{J}{mol}$$

Scaling to 5 grams, we have that

$$\frac{5}{180}(-72948) = 2.03kJ$$

## Question 4

A sample of K(s) of mass 3.041g undergoes combustion in a constant volume calorimeter to produce  $K_2O(s)$ .

The calorimeter constant is  $1849JK^{-1}$ , and the measured temperature rise in the inner water bath containing 1450g of water is 1.776K.  $C_{water} = 4.184Jg^{-1}K^{-1}$  Calculate  $\Delta_f H$  and  $\Delta_f U$  for  $K_2 O$ .

We can start by balancing the equation per mole.

$$R: 2K(s) + \frac{1}{2}O_2(g) \to K_2O(s)$$

So now we can calculate our values.

$$q_{rxn} = -q_{surr} = \Delta U$$

 $q_{surr} = m_{water}C_{water}\Delta T + C_{cal}\Delta T = (1450)(4.184)(1.776) + (1849)(1.776) = 14058J$ 

To find  $\Delta_f U$  and  $\Delta_f H$ , we need number of moles.

$$n(K_2O) = \frac{1}{2}n(K) = \frac{3.041}{2(39.098)} = 0.0389mol$$

$$\Delta_f U = \frac{q_{rxn}}{n(K_2 O)} = \frac{-14058}{0.0389} = -361.4 \frac{kJ}{mol}$$

$$\Delta_f H = \Delta_f U + (\Delta n)RT = -361400 + \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)(8.314)(298) = 362.7 \frac{kJ}{mol}$$