## **Chapter 13**

### Problem 13.1

Develop expressions for the mole fractions of reacting species as functions of the reaction coordinate for:

(a) A system containing 2 mol NH<sub>3</sub> and 5 mol O<sub>2</sub> and undergoing the reaction:

$$4 \text{ NH}_3(g) + 5 \text{ O}_2(g) \longrightarrow 4 \text{ NO}(g) + 6 \text{ H}_2\text{O}(g)$$

(b) A system initially containing 3 mol H<sub>2</sub>S and 5 mol O<sub>2</sub> and undergoing the reaction:

$$2 H_2 S(g) + 3 O_2(g) \longrightarrow 2 H_2 O(g) + 2 SO_2(g)$$

(c) A system containing 3 mol NO<sub>2</sub>, 4 mol NH<sub>3</sub>, and 1 mol N<sub>2</sub> and undergoing the reaction:

$$6 \text{ NO}_2(g) + 8 \text{ NH}_3(g) \longrightarrow 7 \text{ N}_2(g) + 12 \text{ H}_2\text{O}(g)$$

#### **Solution**

The solution here is to substitute into Eq. (13.5)

$$y_i = \frac{n_{io} + v_i \varepsilon}{n_0 + v \varepsilon} \tag{13.5}$$

(a)

$$y_{\text{NH}_3} = \frac{2 - 4\varepsilon}{7 + \varepsilon}$$
$$y_{\text{O}_2} = \frac{5 - 5\varepsilon}{7 + \varepsilon}$$

(b)

$$y_{\text{H}_2\text{S}} = \frac{3 - 2\varepsilon}{8 - \varepsilon}$$
$$y_{\text{O}_2} = \frac{5 - 3\varepsilon}{8 - \varepsilon}$$

(c)

$$y_{\text{NO}_2} = \frac{3 - 6\varepsilon}{8 + 5\varepsilon}$$
$$y_{\text{NH}_3} = \frac{4 - 8\varepsilon}{8 + 5\varepsilon}$$
$$y_{\text{N}_2} = \frac{1 + 7\varepsilon}{8 + 5\varepsilon}$$

## Problem 13.2

A system initially containing 2 mol C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> and 3 mol O<sub>2</sub> undergoes the reactions:

$$C_2H_4(g) + \frac{1}{2}O_2(g) \longrightarrow ((CH_2)_2)O(g)$$

$$C_2H_4(g) + 3O_2(g) \longrightarrow 2CO_2(g) + 2H_2O(g)$$

Develop expressions for the mole fractions of the reacting species as functions of the reaction coordinates for the two reactions.

#### **Solution**

The two chemical reactions need to be added and the same solution in Problem 13.1 is to be used.

$$2 C_2 H_4(g) + 3.5 O_2(g) \longrightarrow 2 CO_2(g) + 2 H_2 O(g) + ((CH_2)_2) O(g)$$

$$y_{C_2H_4} = \frac{2 - 2\varepsilon}{5}$$
$$y_{O_2} = \frac{3 - 3.5\varepsilon}{5}$$

## Problem 13.3

A system formed initially of 2 mol CO<sub>2</sub>, 5 mol H<sub>2</sub>, and 1 mol CO undergoes the reactions:

$$CO_2(g) + 3 H_2(g) \longrightarrow CH_3OH(g) + H_2O(g)$$
  
 $CO_2(g) + H_2(g) \longrightarrow CO(g) + H_2O(g)$ 

Develop expressions for the mole fractions of the reacting species as functions of the reaction coordinates for the two reactions.

#### **Solution**

Similar to the previous problem.

$$2 \operatorname{CO}_2(g) + 4 \operatorname{H}_2(g) \longrightarrow \operatorname{CH}_3 \operatorname{OH}(g) + 2 \operatorname{H}_2 \operatorname{O}(g) + \operatorname{CO}(g)$$

$$y_{\text{CO}_2} = \frac{2 - 2\varepsilon}{8 - 2\varepsilon}$$
$$y_{\text{H}_2} = \frac{5 - 4\varepsilon}{8 - 2\varepsilon}$$
$$y_{\text{CO}} = \frac{1 + \varepsilon}{8 - 2\varepsilon}$$

## Problem 13.4

Consider the water-gas-shift reaction:

$$H_2(g) + CO_2(g) \longrightarrow H_2O\left(g\right) + CO\left(g\right)$$

At high temperatures and low to moderate pressures the reacting species form an ideal-gas mixture. By Eq. (11.27):

$$G = \sum_{i} y_i G_i + RT \sum_{i} y_i \ln y_i$$

When the Gibbs energies of the elements in their standard states are set equal to zero,  $G_i = \Delta G_{f_i}^{\circ}$ , for each species, and then:

$$G = \sum_{i} y_i \Delta G_{f_i}^{\circ} + RT \sum_{i} y_i \ln y_i$$
 (A)

At the beginning of Sec. 13.2 we noted that Eq. (14.68) is a criterion of equilibrium. Applied to the water-gas-shift reaction with the understanding that T and P are constant, this equation becomes:

$$dG' = d(nG) = ndG + Gdn = 0$$
  $n\frac{dG}{d\varepsilon} + G\frac{dn}{d\varepsilon} = 0$ 

Here, however,  $dn/d\varepsilon = 0$ . The equilibrium criterion therefore becomes:

$$\frac{dG}{d\varepsilon} = 0 \tag{B}$$

Once the  $y_i$  are eliminated in favor of  $\varepsilon$ , Eq. (A) relates G to  $\varepsilon$ . Data for  $\Delta G_{f_i}^{\circ}$  for the compounds of interest are givent with Ex. 13.13. For a temperature of 1000 K (the reaction is unaffected by P) and for a feed of 1 mol H<sub>2</sub> and 1 mol CO<sub>2</sub>:

- (a) Determine the equilibrium value of  $\varepsilon$  by application of Eq. (B).
- (b) Plot G vs.  $\varepsilon$ , indicating the location of the equilibrium value of  $\varepsilon$  determined in (a).

#### **Solution**

(a) Solving for  $\varepsilon$ :

$$y_{\text{H}_2} = y_{\text{CO}_2} = \frac{1 - \varepsilon}{2}$$
$$y_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = y_{\text{CO}} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

From Eq. (A)—the values of  $\Delta G_{f_i}^{\circ}$  in J mol<sup>-1</sup> are given in Example 13.13:

$$G = \left(\frac{1-\varepsilon}{2}\right)(-395790) + \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)(-200240 - 192420) + R(1000) \left[2\left(\frac{1-\varepsilon}{2}\right)\ln\left(\frac{1-\varepsilon}{2}\right) + 2\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)\ln\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)\right]$$

Differentiate with respect to  $\varepsilon$  and solve for the root as in Eq. (B):

$$\varepsilon = 0.452$$

(b) See Figure 1

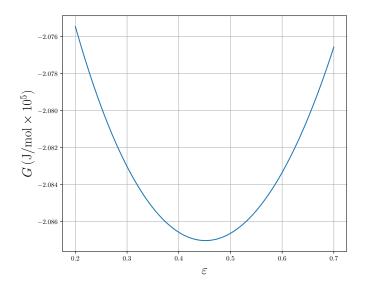


Figure 1: The graph of G with respect to  $\varepsilon$  for the system described in 13.4

Rework Pb. 13.4 for a temperature of:

- (a) 1100 K;
- (b) 1200 K;
- (c) 1300 K.

### **Solution**

Refer to Pb. 13.4 for the solution. The plots of (a), (b), and (c) are shown in Figure 2

- (a)  $\varepsilon = 0.456$
- (b)  $\varepsilon = 0.460$
- (c)  $\varepsilon = 0.463$

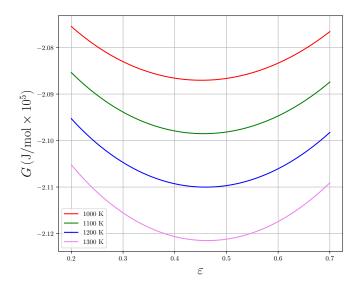


Figure 2: The graph of G with respect to  $\varepsilon$  for the systems described in 13.5

Use the method of equilibrium constants to verify the value of  $\varepsilon$  found as an answer in one of the following:

- (a) Pb. 13.4;
- (b) Pb. 13.5(a);
- (c) Pb. 13.5(b);
- (d) Pb. 13.5(c).

Solution
$$CO(g) + H_2(g) \longrightarrow H_2O(g) + CO(g)$$

$$y_{H_2} = y_{CO_2} = \frac{1 - \varepsilon}{2}$$

$$y_{CO_2} = y_{H_2O} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

$$K = \frac{y_{H_2O}y_{CO}}{y_{H_2}y_{CO}} = \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{1 - \varepsilon}\right)^2$$

$$K = \exp\left(\frac{-\Delta G}{RT}\right)$$

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\sqrt{K}}{1 + \sqrt{K}}$$

$$\varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4531 \\ 0.5021 \\ 0.5399 \\ 0.5709 \end{bmatrix}$$

Develop a general equation for the standard Gibbs-energy change of reaction  $\Delta G^{\circ}$  as a function of temperature for one of the reactions given in parts (a), (f), (i), (n), (r), (t), (u), (x), and (y) of Pb. 4.21.

#### **Solution**

Write  $\Delta G_r^{\circ}$  in terms of K and T:

$$K = e^{-\Delta G_r^{\circ}/(RT)}$$

$$\Delta G_r^{\circ} = RT \ln \left(\frac{1}{K}\right)$$

(a)

$$N_2(g) + 3 H_2(g) \longrightarrow 2 NH_3(g)$$

$$\Delta G_r^{\circ} = RT \ln \left( \frac{y_{\text{N}_2} y_{\text{H}_2}^2}{y_{\text{NH}_3}^2} \right)$$

(f)

$$6\,NO_2(g) + 8\,NH_3(g) \longrightarrow 7\,N_2(g) + 12\,H_2O\left(g\right)$$

$$\Delta G_r^{\circ} = RT \ln \left( \frac{y_{\text{NO}_2}^6 y_{\text{NH}_3}^8}{y_{\text{N}_2}^7 y_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}^1 2} \right)$$

(i)

$$CH_4(g) + 2H_2O(g) \longrightarrow CO_2(g) + 4H_2(g)$$

$$\Delta G_r^{\circ} = RT \ln \left( \frac{y_{\text{CH}_4} y_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}^2}{y_{\text{CO}_2} y_{\text{H}_2}^4} \right)$$

(n)

$$N_2(\sigma) + O_2(\sigma) \longrightarrow 2NO(\sigma)$$

$$N_2(g) + O_2(g) \longrightarrow 2 \text{ NO}(g)$$

$$\Delta G_r^{\circ} = RT \ln \left( \frac{y_{N_2} y_{O_2}}{y_{NO}^2} \right)$$

(r) 
$$CH_{3}CHO(g) + H_{2}(g) \longrightarrow C_{2}H_{5}OH(g)$$

$$\Delta G_{r}^{\circ} = RT \ln \left( \frac{y_{CH_{3}CHO}y_{H_{2}}}{y_{C_{2}H_{5}OH}} \right)$$
(t) 
$$C_{2}H_{5}CH=CH_{2}(g) + \frac{1}{2}O_{2}(g) \longrightarrow CH_{2}=CHCH=CH_{2}(g) + H_{2}O(g)$$

$$\Delta G_{r}^{\circ} = RT \ln \left( \frac{y_{C_{2}H_{5}CH=CH_{2}}y_{H_{2}O}^{1/2}}{y_{CH_{2}=CHCH=CH_{2}}y_{H_{2}O}} \right)$$
(u) 
$$C_{4}H_{10}(g) \longrightarrow CH_{2}=CHCH=CH_{2}(g) + 2H_{2}(g)$$

$$\Delta G_{r}^{\circ} = RT \ln \left( \frac{y_{C_{4}H_{10}}}{y_{CH_{2}=CHCH=CH_{2}}y_{H_{2}O}^{2}} \right)$$
(x) 
$$N_{2}(g) + C_{2}H_{2}(g) \longrightarrow 2HCN(g)$$

$$\Delta G_{r}^{\circ} = RT \ln \left( \frac{y_{N_{2}}y_{C_{2}H_{2}}}{y_{HCN}^{2}} \right)$$
(y) 
$$C_{6}H_{5} \cdot C_{2}H_{5}(g) \longrightarrow C_{6}H_{5}CH=CH_{2}(g) + H_{2}(g)$$

$$\Delta G_{r}^{\circ} = RT \ln \left( \frac{y_{C_{6}H_{5}C_{2}H_{5}}}{y_{C_{6}H_{5}C_{2}H_{5}}} \right)$$

The following reaction reaches equilibrium at 500 °C and 2 bar:

$$4 \operatorname{HCl}(g) + O_2(g) \longrightarrow 2 \operatorname{H}_2O(g) + 2 \operatorname{Cl}_2(g)$$

If the system initially contains 5 mol HCl for each mole of oxygen, what is the composition of the system in equilibrium? Assume ideal gases.

## **Solution**

$$n_{\text{HCl}} = 5 \text{ mol}$$
  $n_{\text{O}_2} = 1 \text{ mol}$   
 $n_0 = 6 \text{ mol}T = 773.15 \text{ K}$   $T_0 = 298.15 \text{ K}$