

2 When potassium nitrate (KNO_3) dissolves in water the value of the enthalpy change $\Delta H = +34.9 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ and the value of the entropy change $\Delta S = +117 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$.

2 (a) Write an equation, including state symbols, for the process that occurs when potassium nitrate dissolves in water.

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(1 mark)

2 (b) Suggest why the entropy change for this process is positive.

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2 (c) Calculate the temperature at which the free-energy change, ΔG , for this process is zero.

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(3 marks)

2 (d) (i) Deduce what happens to the value of ΔG when potassium nitrate dissolves in water at a temperature lower than your answer to part **2 (c)**.

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2 (d) (ii) What does this new value of ΔG suggest about the dissolving of potassium nitrate at this lower temperature?

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