

CYL501 2011-2012

Minor 2

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1. This question refers to the paper F. L. Lambert, *J. Chem. Ed.* 79, 187 (2002).

(a) Explain the following two sentences found in example number 3.

In the preceding example, if the instructor used a diagram involving molecular-dot arrangements, an implication any student could draw was that entropy change was like a chemical concentration change; entropy was therefore an intensive property. However in this example, the disorder description of entropy must be changed to the opposite, to be extensive!

(b) Boltzmann introduced “disorder” as a device for visualizing entropy change in the late 19th century. Argue whether this was justified or not.

2. (a) The vapor pressures of liquid and solid chlorine are given by

$$\ln(P^s/\text{torr}) = 24.320 - \frac{3777 \text{ K}}{T}$$

$$\ln(P^l/\text{torr}) = 17.892 - \frac{2669 \text{ K}}{T}$$

where T is the absolute temperature. Calculate the temperature and pressure at the triple point.

(b) The following table gives the vapor pressure data for liquid palladium as a function of temperature:

T/K	P/bar
1587	1.002×10^{-9}
1624	2.152×10^{-9}
1841	7.499×10^{-8}

Estimate the molar enthalpy of vaporization of palladium.

3. Determine the entropy change accompanying the Joule-Thomson expansion of an ideal gas from (T, P_1) to (T, P_2) . What would be the entropy change if a van der Waals gas underwent a similar expansion from (T_1, P_1) to (T_2, P_2) ?

4. (a) A removable partition divides a vessel into two portions with volumes V_A and V_B . In the V_A portion is n_A moles of an ideal gas A while n_B moles of another ideal gas B occupies V_B . Both gases are at the same temperature T . What is the Gibbs energy change accompanying the removal of the partition which mixes the gases?

(b) Consider the same situation as in 4a except that $n_A = n_B$ and $V_A = V_B$. Express the Gibbs energy change of mixing in terms of the mole fractions. Plot the variation of ΔG as a function of x .