

## **Aim: What is Entropy?**

Entropy:  $\Delta S$  - is the measure of disorder, randomness or lack of organization in a chemical reaction

- Solid (Low  $\Delta S$ ) most organized gas more disorganized
- higher temperature = more randomness = more disorder
- Reactions that produce more moles = more disorder
- $\Delta S = (+)$  = favorable  $\Delta S = (-)$  = unfavorable



**LESS MOLES  $\rightarrow$  MORE MOLES =  $\uparrow \Delta S$**

Spontaneous reactions require

- ① Low Energy = Exothermic  $\Delta H = (-)$
- ② more disorder =  $\uparrow \Delta S$

Nature is lazy and disorganized  
(Low energy) (high entropy)  
Enthalpy =  $\Delta H$

# ENTROPY

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Entropy is the degree of randomness in a substance. The symbol for change in entropy is  $\Delta S$ .

Solids are very ordered and have low entropy. Liquids and aqueous ions have more entropy because they move about more freely, and gases have an even larger amount of entropy. According to the Second Law of Thermodynamics, nature is always proceeding to a state of higher entropy.

Determine whether the following reactions show an increase or decrease in entropy.

- $2\text{KClO}_3(\text{s}) \rightarrow 2\text{KCl}(\text{s}) + 3\text{O}_2(\text{g})$  increase  $\Delta S$
- $\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{s})$  decrease  $\Delta S$
- $\text{N}_2(\text{g}) + 3\text{H}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 2\text{NH}_3(\text{g})$  decrease  $\Delta S$
- $\text{NaCl}(\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{Na}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{Cl}^-(\text{aq})$  increase  $\Delta S$
- $\text{KCl}(\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{KCl}(\text{l})$  increase  $\Delta S$
- $\text{CO}_2(\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{CO}_2(\text{g})$  increase  $\Delta S$
- $\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^-(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{HC}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2(\text{l})$  decrease  $\Delta S$
- $\text{C}(\text{s}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{CO}_2(\text{g})$  increase  $\Delta S$
- $\text{H}_2(\text{g}) + \text{Cl}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 2\text{HCl}(\text{g})$  decrease  $\Delta S$
- $\text{Ag}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{Cl}^-(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{AgCl}(\text{s})$  decrease  $\Delta S$
- $2\text{N}_2\text{O}_5(\text{g}) \rightarrow 4\text{NO}_2(\text{g}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g})$  increase  $\Delta S$
- $2\text{Al}(\text{s}) + 3\text{I}_2(\text{s}) \rightarrow 2\text{AlI}_3(\text{s})$  decrease  $\Delta S$
- $\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{OH}^-(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$  decrease  $\Delta S$
- $2\text{NO}(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{N}_2(\text{g}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g})$  increase  $\Delta S$
- $\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$  decrease  $\Delta S$

# GIBBS FREE ENERGY

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For a reaction to be spontaneous, the sign of  $\Delta G$  (Gibbs Free Energy) must be negative. The mathematical formula for this value is:

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$$

where  $\Delta H$  = change in enthalpy or heat of reaction  
 $T$  = temperature in Kelvin  
 $\Delta S$  = change in entropy or randomness

Complete the table for the sign of  $\Delta G$ ; +, - or undetermined. When conditions allow for an undetermined sign of  $\Delta G$ , temperature will decide spontaneity.

$\Delta H$	$\Delta S$	$\Delta G$
-	+	(-) Spontaneous
+	-	(+) Not Spontaneous
-	-	Undetermined
+	+	Undetermined

Answer the questions below.

- The conditions in which  $\Delta G$  is always negative is when  $\Delta H$  is (-) and  $\Delta S$  is (+).
- The conditions in which  $\Delta G$  is always positive is when  $\Delta H$  is (+) and  $\Delta S$  is (-).
- When the situation is indeterminate, a low temperature favors the (entropy / enthalpy) factor, and a high temperature favors the (entropy / enthalpy) factor.

Answer Problems 4-6 with always, sometimes or never.

- The reaction:  $\text{Na}(\text{OH})_s \rightarrow \text{Na}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{OH}^-(\text{aq}) + \text{energy}$  will Always be spontaneous.
- The reaction:  $\text{energy} + 2\text{H}_2(\text{g}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$  will never be spontaneous.
- The reaction:  $\text{energy} + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$  will Sometimes be spontaneous.
- What is the value of  $\Delta G$  if  $\Delta H = -32.0 \text{ kJ}$ ,  $\Delta S = +25.0 \text{ kJ/K}$  and  $T = 293 \text{ K}$ ? -7357 kJ/mol
- Is the reaction in Problem 7 spontaneous? yes  
 $\Delta G = (-32) - (25)(293)$
- What is the value of  $\Delta G$  if  $\Delta H = +12.0 \text{ kJ}$ ,  $\Delta S = -5.00 \text{ kJ/K}$  and  $T = 290 \text{ K}$ ? 1462 kJ/mol
- Is the reaction in Problem 9 spontaneous? No  
 $\Delta G = (12) - (-5)(290)$