

Mini Mock Exam

CHE-2C2Y COURSE TEST 2

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There are five little random questions in this booklet from the entire course.

Read through the question carefully and answer in full.

No cheating!

Question	Maximum Mark (%)	Your Mark (%)
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Question 1

Thermodynamics I

1. Calculate ΔS , ΔS_{surr} and ΔS_{tot} for:

(a) the isothermal, reversible expansion

(b) the isothermal, free expansion

of one mole of ideal gas molecules from 8.00 L to 20.00 L and 292 K.
Explain any differences between the two paths.

[20%]

Model Answer

$$(a) \quad \Delta S = nR \ln \left(\frac{V_2}{V_1} \right) \quad \mathbf{(4\%)}$$

$$\Delta S = 1 \times 8.314 \times \ln \left(\frac{20.00}{8.00} \right) = + 7.618 \text{ J K}^{-1} \quad \mathbf{(4\%)}$$

$$\Delta S_{\text{surr}} = - 7.618 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

and

$$\Delta S_{\text{tot}} = 0 \text{ J K}^{-1} \quad \mathbf{(4\%)}$$

$$(b) \quad \Delta S = + 7.618 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

and

$$\Delta S_{\text{surr}} = 0 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

and

$$\Delta S_{\text{tot}} = + 7.618 \text{ J K}^{-1} \quad \mathbf{(3\%)}$$

Entropy is a state function so the change in entropy of the system is the same in all cases. For (a) $\Delta U = 0$ so $q = -w$. The heat that flows out of the system flows into the surroundings. For (b), in a free expansion, no work is done. In which case $w = 0$. As $\Delta U = 0$ no heat is transferred to the surroundings. **(5%)**

Question 2

Thermodynamics 2

2. a. Draw a pressure – temperature phase diagram for a single component mixture ensuring that you show any phase boundaries and label the triple point, critical point, and region of supercritical fluid.

[10%]

b. At 276 K the osmotic pressure of a protein solution is 172 N m^{-2} . The concentration is 1 g in 200 cm^3 of solution. Assuming ideal behaviour calculate:

i. the concentration of the protein in mol m^{-3}

[5%]

ii. the molar mass of the protein in g mol^{-1}

[5%]

Model Answer

(a) **See diagram on next page for reference**

Label axis correctly, and drawing lines in correct places and placing solid, liquid and gas (S, L, G) in the correct places **(4%)**

Labelling phase boundaries correctly:

Solid/Liquid: Melting/Fusion & Freezing **(1%)**

Liquid/Gas: Vaporisation & Condensation **(1%)**

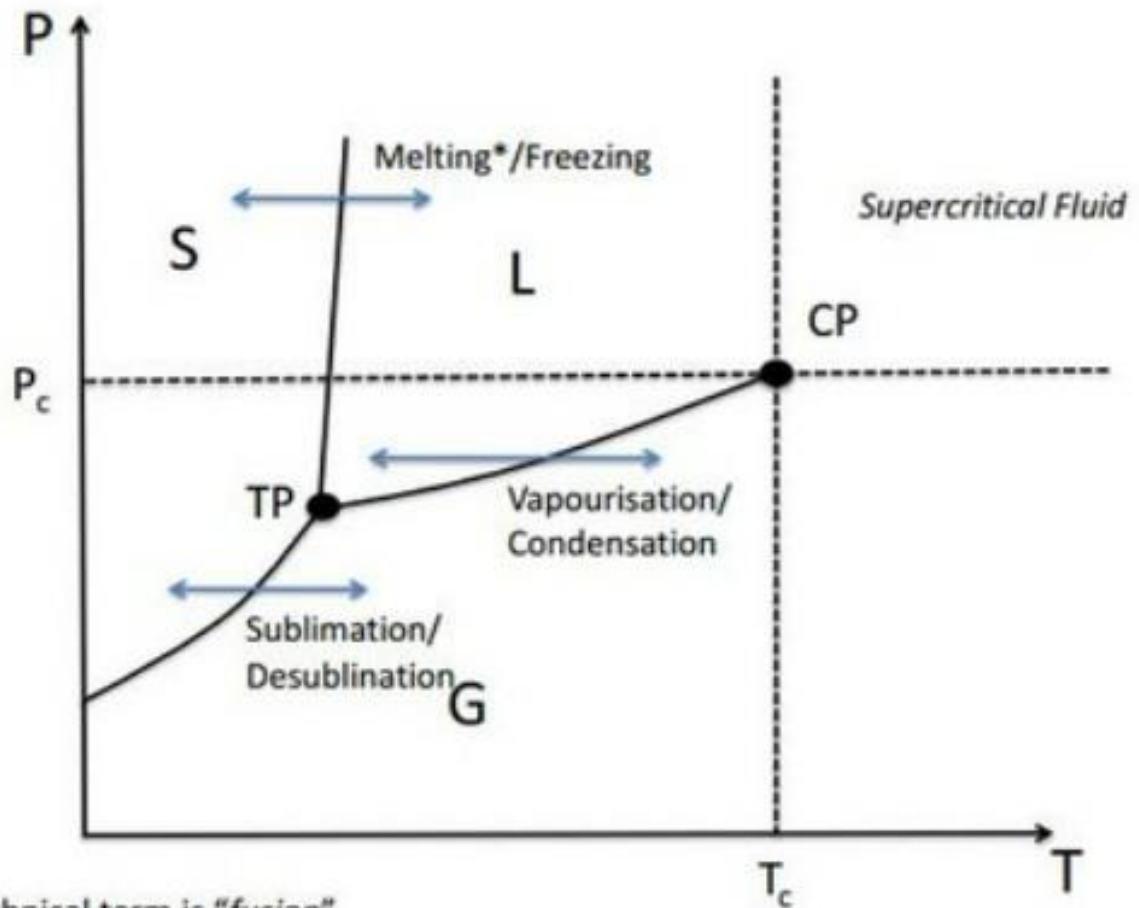
Gas/Solid: Sublimation/Desublimation **(1%)**

Labelling of the significant points on the diagram:

Triple Point **(1%)**

Critical Point **(1%)**

Supercritical Fluid **(1%)**



(b)

(i) $\pi = RTc_{solute}$ therefore $c_{solute} = \frac{\pi}{RT}$

(3%)

$$c_{solute} = \frac{\pi}{RT} = \frac{172}{8.314 \times 276} = 0.075 \text{ mol m}^{-3} \quad \text{(2\%)}$$

(ii) $c_{solute} = \frac{mass_{sucrose}}{MM_{sucrose} \times volume_{solution}} \quad \text{(3\%)}$

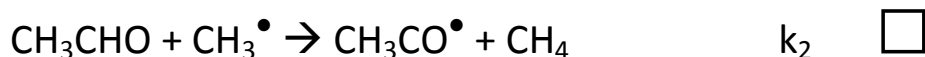
Therefore $MM_{sucrose} = \frac{mass_{sucrose}}{c_{sucrose} \times volume_{solution}} =$

$$\frac{1}{200 \times 10^{-6} \times 0.075} = 66.7 \times 10^3 \text{ g mol}^{-1} \quad \text{(2\%)}$$

Question 3

Complex Kinetics

3. The following Rice-Herzfeld mechanism is shown:



a. Label which reaction steps are Initiation, Propagation and Termination steps by placing I, P or T respectively in the boxes.

[5%]

b. Apply a suitable approximation to show that the rate of formation of methane can be expressed as:

$$\frac{d[\text{CH}_4]}{dt} = k_2 \sqrt{\frac{k_1}{2k_4}} [\text{CH}_3\text{CHO}]^{3/2}$$

[15%]

Model Answer

(a) k_1 : Initiation

k_2 & k_3 : Propagation

k_4 : Termination **(5%)**

(b)

$$\frac{d[CH_4]}{dt} = k_2[CH_3CHO][CH_3] \quad \mathbf{(2\%)}$$

CH_3^\bullet , CHO^\bullet and CH_3CO^\bullet are intermediates

Apply SSA to rate equation of CH_3^\bullet **(3%)**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d[CH_3]}{dt} &= k_1[CH_3CHO] - k_2[CH_3CHO][CH_3] + k_3[CH_3CO^\bullet] - 2k_4[CH_3]^2 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Apply SSA to rate equation of CH_3CO^\bullet **(3%)**

$$\frac{d[CH_3CO^\bullet]}{dt} = k_2[CH_3CHO][CH_3] - k_3[CH_3CO^\bullet] = 0$$

As the two are equal to zero they can be placed equal to one another: **(2%)**

$$\begin{aligned} k_1[CH_3CHO] - k_2[CH_3CHO][CH_3] + k_3[CH_3CO^\bullet] - 2k_4[CH_3]^2 \\ = k_2[CH_3CHO][CH_3] - k_3[CH_3CO^\bullet] \end{aligned}$$

This cancels to give: **(2%)**

$$k_1[CH_3CHO] - 2k_4[CH_3]^2 = 0$$

And rearranged to give: **(2%)**

$$[CH_3] = \sqrt{\frac{k_1}{2k_4}[CH_3CHO]}$$

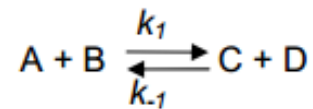
Inserted into the original equation to give the final answer:
(1%)

$$\frac{d[CH_4]}{dt} = k_2 \sqrt{\frac{k_1}{2k_4}} [CH_3CHO]^{3/2}$$

Question 4

Theories of Chemical Reactions

4. a. In a temperature jump the relaxation time, τ , is measured. Show that for the reaction



the relaxation time is given by

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \{k_1([\bar{A}] + [\bar{B}]) + k_{-1}([\bar{C}] + [\bar{D}])\}$$

[10%]

b. For an ion combination reaction, $A^+ + B^- \rightarrow AB$, calculate d_{eff} with a dielectric constant of 80.

$$d_{AB} = 4 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}, e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}, \epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ J}^{-1} \text{ C}^2 \text{ m}^{-1},$$

$$k_B = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}, T = 300 \text{ K}$$

[10%]

Model Answer

(a)

$$-\frac{d[A]}{dt} = k_1[A][B] - k_{-1}[C][D] \quad \text{(1\%)}$$

$$-\frac{d[\bar{A}]}{dt} = k_1[\bar{A}][\bar{B}] - k_{-1}[\bar{C}][\bar{D}] \quad \text{(1\%)}$$

$$-\frac{d([\bar{A}] + \Delta x)}{dt} = k_1(([\bar{A}] + \Delta x)([\bar{B}] + \Delta x) - k_{-1}(([\bar{C}] - \Delta x)([\bar{D}] - \Delta x)) \quad \text{(2\%)}$$

$$-\frac{d[\bar{A}]}{dt} + \frac{\Delta x}{dt} = k_1\{[\bar{A}][\bar{B}] + \Delta x[\bar{A}] + \Delta x[\bar{B}] + \Delta x^2\} - k_{-1}\{[\bar{C}][\bar{D}] - \Delta x[\bar{C}] - \Delta x[\bar{D}] + \Delta x^2\} \quad \textbf{(2\%)}$$

Any term that does not contain Δx or contains Δx^2 is eliminated

$$\frac{\Delta x}{dt} = k_1\{\Delta x[\bar{A}] + \Delta x[\bar{B}]\} - k_{-1}\{-\Delta x[\bar{C}] - \Delta x[\bar{D}]\} \quad \textbf{(2\%)}$$

This is rearranged: **(1%)**

$$\frac{\Delta x}{dt} = \Delta x \left\{ \{k_1([\bar{A}] + [\bar{B}]) + k_{-1}([\bar{C}] + [\bar{D}])\} \right\}$$

And therefore the time constant is given as: **(1%)**

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \{k_1([\bar{A}] + [\bar{B}]) + k_{-1}([\bar{C}] + [\bar{D}])\}$$

(b)

$$\delta = \frac{Z_A Z_B e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\epsilon_r d_{AB} k_B T} \quad \textbf{(3\%)}$$

$$= \frac{+1 \times -1 \times 1.6 \times 10^{19} \times 2}{4\pi \times 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times 80 \times 4 \times 10^{-10} \times 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 300} = 1.738 \quad \textbf{(2\%)}$$

$$d_{eff} = d_{AB} \left(\frac{\delta}{e^{\delta} - 1} \right) \quad \textbf{(3\%)}$$

$$4 \times 10^{-10} \left(\frac{1.738}{e^{1.738} - 1} \right) = 1.484 \times 10^{-10} m \quad \textbf{(3\%)}$$

Question 5

Surface Chemistry

5. a. When contained in the cylindrical pores of a porous material the vapour pressure of CO₂ drops from the normal vapour pressure at 25 °C of 64.0 bar to a lower value of 62.0 bar. Estimate the pore size of the porous material.

Take the molar volume of CO₂ at 25 °C to be 61.6 cm³ mol⁻¹ and the surface tension to be 1.16 mN m⁻¹, R = 8.314 J K⁻¹ mol⁻¹.

[15%]

b. The chemisorption of a gas is described by the Langmuir isotherm with K = 8.5 x 10⁻⁴ Pa⁻¹. What gas pressure would be required to obtain a surface coverage of 0.5?

[5%]

Model Answer

(a)

$$\ln\left(\frac{P_{vap}}{P_{vap}^0}\right) = \frac{V_m 2\gamma}{RT r} \quad (5\%)$$

Rearrange to give: (5%)

$$\frac{RT \ln\left(\frac{P_{vap}}{P_{vap}^0}\right)}{V_m 2\gamma} = \frac{1}{r} \quad \text{therefore } r = \frac{V_m 2\gamma}{RT \ln\left(\frac{P_{vap}}{P_{vap}^0}\right)}$$

Substitute in numbers: (5%)

$$r = \frac{V_m 2\gamma}{RT \ln\left(\frac{P_{vap}}{P_{vap}^0}\right)} = \frac{61.6 \times 10^{-6} \times 2 \times 1.16 \times 10^{-3}}{8.314 \times 298 \times \ln\left(\frac{62.0}{64.0}\right)} = -1.817 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$$

(b)

Langmuir isotherm

$$\theta = \frac{KP}{1+KP} \quad \mathbf{(2\%)}$$

Rearrange to make pressure the subject

$$P = \frac{\theta}{K-K\theta} \quad \mathbf{(2\%)}$$

Substitute in numbers

$$\frac{\theta}{K-K\theta} = \frac{0.5}{8.5 \times 10^{-4} - (0.5 \times 8.5 \times 10^{-4})} = 1176 \text{ Pa} \quad \mathbf{(1\%)}$$

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