## Qualify Exam-Physical Chemistry (2006-12-28)

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- 1. Initially 0.1 mol of methane is at 1 bar pressure and  $80^{\circ}$ C. The gas behaves ideally and the value of  $C_p/C_v$  is 1.31. The gas is allowed to expand reversibly and adiabatically to a pressure of 0.1 bar.
  - (a). What are the initial and final volumes of the gas?
  - (b). What is the final temperature?
  - (c). Calculate  $\Delta U$  and  $\Delta H$  for the process. (15%)
- 2. (a). Liquid water at 100  $^{\circ}$ C is in equilibrium with water vapor at 1 atm pressure. If the enthalpy change associated with vaporization of liquid water at 100  $^{\circ}$ C is 40.60 kJ/mol, what are  $\Delta$ G and  $\Delta$ S?
  - (b). Suppose that water at 100  $^{\circ}$ C is in contact with water vapor at 0.9 atm. Calculate  $\Delta G$  and  $\Delta S$  for the vaporization process. (16%)
- 3. Prove the following relation:  $\left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial V}\right)_T = -V^2 \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial T}\right)_V \left(\frac{\partial (T/V)}{\partial V}\right)_P$  (10%)
- 4. The half-life of thermal denaturation of hemoglobin, a first-order process, has been found to be 3460 s at 60 °C and 530 s at 65 °C. Calculate the enthalpy of activation and entropy of activation at 60 °C, assuming the Arrhenius equation to apply. (15%)
- 5. Derive the rate law for the decomposition of ozone in the reaction: (10%)  $2 O_3(g) \rightarrow 3 O_2(g)$  on the basis of the (incomplete) mechanism

$$O_3 \rightarrow O_2 + O$$
  $k_a$   
 $O_2 + O \rightarrow O_3$   $k'_a$   
 $O + O_3 \rightarrow 2O_2$   $k_b$ 

- 6. Find < r > for the  $2P_z$  state of hydrogenlike atom. (12%)
- 7. Using the trial function  $\psi = x(a-x)$  to estimate the energy of a particle in a box, in which the boundaries of the box are 0 and a. (10%)
- 8. Determine the AO coefficients for the lowest energy Hückel  $\pi$  MO for butadiene. (12%)

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The complete hydrogenlike atomic wave functions for n=1, 2, and 3. The quantity Z is the atomic number of the nucleus, and  $\sigma=Zr/a_0$ , where  $a_0$  is the Bohr radius.

$$n = 1, l = 0, m = 0 \psi_{100} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} e^{-\sigma}$$

$$n = 2, l = 0, m = 0 \psi_{200} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{32\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} (2 - \sigma) e^{-\sigma/2}$$

$$l = 1, m = 0 \psi_{210} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{32\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \sigma e^{-\sigma/2} \cos \theta$$

$$l = 1, m = \pm 1 \psi_{21\pm 1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{64\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \sigma e^{-\sigma/2} \sin \theta e^{\pm i\phi}$$

$$n = 3, l = 0, m = 0 \psi_{300} = \frac{1}{81\sqrt{3\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} (27 - 18\sigma + 2\sigma^2) e^{-\sigma/3}$$

$$l = 1, m = 0 \psi_{310} = \frac{1}{81} \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} (6\sigma - \sigma^2) e^{-\sigma/3} \cos \theta$$

$$l = 1, m = \pm 1 \psi_{31\pm 1} = \frac{1}{81\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} (6\sigma - \sigma^2) e^{-\sigma/3} \sin \theta e^{\pm i\phi}$$

$$l = 2, m = 0 \psi_{320} = \frac{1}{81\sqrt{6\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \sigma^2 e^{-\sigma/3} (3\cos^2 \theta - 1)$$

$$l = 2, m = \pm 1 \psi_{32\pm 1} = \frac{1}{81\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \sigma^2 e^{-\sigma/3} \sin \theta \cos \theta e^{\pm i\phi}$$

$$l = 2, m = \pm 2 \psi_{32\pm 2} = \frac{1}{162\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \sigma^2 e^{-\sigma/3} \sin^2 \theta e^{\pm 2i\phi}$$

## TABLE A.5 Integrals

$$\int x \sin bx \, dx = \frac{1}{b^2} \sin bx - \frac{x}{b} \cos bx \tag{A.1}$$

$$\int \sin^2 bx \, dx = \frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{4b} \sin (2bx) \tag{A.2}$$

$$\int x \sin^2 bx \, dx = \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{x}{4b} \sin(2bx) - \frac{1}{8b^2} \cos(2bx) \tag{A.3}$$

$$\int x^2 \sin^2 bx \, dx = \frac{x^3}{6} - \left(\frac{x^2}{4b} - \frac{1}{8b^3}\right) \sin(2bx) - \frac{x}{4b^2} \cos(2bx) \tag{A.4}$$

$$\int xe^{bx} dx = \frac{e^{bx}}{b^2} (bx - 1)$$
 (A.5)

$$\int x^2 e^{bx} dx = e^{bx} \left( \frac{x^2}{b} - \frac{2x}{b^2} + \frac{2}{b^3} \right)$$
 (A.6)

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} x^{n} e^{-qx} dx = \frac{n!}{q^{n+1}}, \quad n > -1, q > 0$$
 (A.7)

$$\int_{a}^{\infty} e^{-bx^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi}{b}\right)^{1/2}, \qquad b > 0$$
 (A.8)

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} x^{2n} e^{-bx^{2}} dx = \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdots (2n-1)}{2^{n+1}} \left(\frac{\pi}{b^{2n+1}}\right)^{1/2}, \quad b > 0, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$
 (A.9)

$$\int_{1}^{\infty} z^{n} e^{-az} dz = \frac{n!}{a^{n+1}} e^{-at} \left( 1 + at + \frac{a^{2}t^{2}}{2!} + \dots + \frac{a^{n}t^{n}}{n!} \right), \qquad n = 0, 1, 2 \dots, a > 0$$
 (A.10)

## Qualify Exam-Physical Chemistry (2007-5-29)

1. Determine the half-cell reactions and the overall cell reaction, calculate the **cell potential**, and determine the **equilibrium constant** at 298.15 K for the cell

$$Pt(s)|Mn^{2+}(aq, a_{\pm} = 0.0150), Mn^{3+}(aq, a_{\pm} = 0.200)||Zn^{2+}(aq, a_{\pm} = 0.100)||Zn(s)|.$$

Is the cell reaction spontaneous as written? (12%)

$$(Mn^{2+}(aq) \rightarrow Mn^{3+}(aq) + e^{-}$$
  $E^{\circ} = -1.5415 \text{ V}$   
 $Zn^{2+}(aq) + 2e^{-} \rightarrow Zn(s)$   $E^{\circ} = -0.7618 \text{ V}$ )

2. Between 0° and 90°C, the potential of the cell

$$Pt(s)|H_2(g, f = 1 \text{ atm})|HCl(aq, m = 0.100)|AgCl(s)|Ag(s)$$
 is described by the equation

$$E(V) = 0.35510 - 0.3422 \times 10^{-4} t - 3.2347 \times 10^{-6} t^2 + 6.314 \times 10^{-9} t^3$$
 where t is the temperature on the Celsius scale. Write the cell reaction and calculate  $\Delta G$ ,  $\Delta H$ , and  $\Delta S$  for the cell reaction at 50°C. (12%)

- 3. Carbon tetrachloride melts at 250 K. The vapor pressure of the liquid is 10,539 Pa at 290 K and 74,518 Pa at 340 K. The vapor pressure of the solid is 270 Pa at 232 K and 1092 Pa at 250 K.
- a) Calculate  $\Delta H_{vaporization}$  and  $\Delta H_{sublimation}$ . (6%)
- b) Calculate  $\Delta H_{fusion}$ . (4%)
- c) Calculate the normal boiling point and  $\Delta S_{vaporization}$  at the boiling point. (4%)
- 4. Determine the bond length, force constant and internal energy of HCl (B = 10.59 cm<sup>-1</sup> rotational constant, and  $\tilde{v} = 2886$  cm<sup>-1</sup> vibration frequency of HCl) under standard thermodynamic conditions. (15%)
- 5. Derive the selection rule for IR using the approximation of harmonic oscillator. (10%)
- 6. Determine the equilibrium constant for the dissociation of sodium at 298

K: 
$$Na_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2Na(g)$$
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For Na<sub>2</sub>, B = 0.155 cm<sup>-1</sup>,  $\tilde{v} = 159$  cm<sup>-1</sup>, the dissociation energy is 70.4 kJ/mol, and the ground-state electronic degeneracy for Na is 2. (15%)

- 7. Calculate the energy levels of the  $\pi$ -network in octatetraene,  $C_8H_{10}$ , using the particle in the box model. To calculate the box length, assume that the molecule is linear and use the values 135 and 154 pm for C=C and C-C bonds. What is the wavelength of light required to induce a transition from the ground state to the first excited state? (10%)
- 8. The equilibrium constant of a reaction is found to fit the expression  $\ln K = A + B/T + C/T^3$  between 400 K and 500 K with A = -2.04, B = -1176 K, and  $C = 2.1 \times 10^7$  K<sup>3</sup>. Calculate the standard reaction enthalpy and standard reaction entropy at 450 K. (12%)