

(FORMATIVE) WRITTEN TEST n°1 – CHEMISTRY 2 (1h30)

The 2 exercises can be treated independently. No documents allowed. Any type of calculator allowed.

All answers must be justified.

All gases may be considered as ideal.

For numerical applications, take : R 8.314 J.mol⁻¹.K⁻¹ ; 1 atm = 1.013 bar=101325 Pa ; $T_0=0^{\circ}C=273K$

Exercise I – Chemical equilibria – Industrial synthesis of ethanol (12 points)

Ethanol may be prepared by hydration of ethylene (C_2H_4) in the gaseous phase, at a temperature of 300°C (573K) under a pressure of 70 bars, in presence of a catalyst (to speed up the reaction) according to the following equilibrium:

$$H_2C = CH_2_{(g)} + H_2O_{(g)} \xrightarrow{1} H_3C - CH_2OH_{(g)}$$

A. Study of the equilibrium state

1- Calculate the molar standard enthalpy change, entropy change and free enthalpy change at 298K for the reaction taken in the forward direction (1).

2- Calculate the equilibrium constant of the reaction at 300°C (573K) neglecting the impact of the heat capacities.

3- Actually, if we take into account the heat capacities of the reagent, one would find $K_{573}^0 = 3.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$ (use this value to solve the rest of the exercise). Is it reasonable, in this case, to neglect the impact of the heat capacities?

4- Predict for this reaction, the impact of changing

- Temperature while keeping P constant,

- Pressure while keeping T constant.

Comment on the experimental conditions applied in industry.

B. Equilibrium state. Change of the equilibrium.

The reaction is performed at 300°C (573K) under 70 bars, from a mixture made of 2 moles of water and 2 moles of ethylene.

1- Determine the variance of the system in these conditions. Show that its value is in agreement with a set of equations that link together all the intensive parameters needed to define the system.

2- The molar advancement, noted ξ , is defined by the following equation: $\xi = \left| \frac{n_i - n_{i0}}{V_i} \right|$

 n_i is the number of mole of a reactant or a product i for the molar advancement ξ_i ,

 n_{i0} is the initial number of mole of a reactant or a product i for the molar advancement ξ ,

 v_i is the stoichiometric coefficient of ta reactant or a product i according to the equation.

Calculate the value of the molar advancement of the reaction at equilibrium (ξ_e).

3- Express literally the yield in ethanol for the given reaction, as a function of ξ_e . Calculate its value in the given conditions (300°C, 70 bars).

4- To the mixture at equilibrium obtained in the previous questions, we add 1 mole of water, at constant T and pressure (300°C, 70 bars).

Give the table of advancement (or ICE table) and calculate the quotient of the reaction after addition of water but before further evolution. In which direction will evolve the chemical system? (no further computation is requested at this stage)

 $O: 16 \text{ g.mol}^{-1}$ $\Delta_{\rm f} \overline{\rm H}_{298}^0$ (kJ.mol⁻¹) $\overline{\overline{S}}_{298}^{0}$ (J.K⁻¹.mol⁻¹) - 235.1 282.7 Ethanol : CH_3CH_2OH (g) $H_2O(g)$ - 241.4 188.8 Ethylene : C_2H_4 (g) 52.3 219.5

Exercise II – Thermochemistry – Dry oxidation of Vanadium (8 points)

Vanadium (V) is extremely explosive and when it is as a powder, it burns easily in air according to the reaction:

$$2 \text{ V}_{\text{solid}} + \frac{5}{2} \text{O}_{2 \text{ gas}} \rightarrow \text{V}_{2} \text{O}_{5 \text{ solid}}$$

- 1) Calculate the standard molar enthalpy change of the reaction at 298 K.
- 2) Calculate the standard molar internal energy change of the reaction at 298 K.

In an experiment, an operator uses a calorimeter which **volume is constant**. The initial temperature is 298 K and the initial pressure is set at 2 bars. The reaction is ignited and it is supposed that the reaction is fast and total.

- 3) Calculate **the final temperature** if initially the operator uses 0.2 mole of vanadium and 0.4 mole of O_2 supplied by air (reminder: air is supposed to be made of 80 % of N_2 and 20 % of O_2 in volume). The calorimeter is supposed to be perfectly adiabatic in this question (thermally isolated). Set a table of advancement (or ICE table).
- 4) Calculate the final temperature and the final pressure if initially the operator uses 0.2 mole of vanadium and 0.4 mole of O_2 supplied by air, taking into account that the heat capacity of the calorimeter is 836 J.K⁻¹.

Data:

	V solid	V ₂ O ₅ solid	O_2	N_2
$\Delta_{\rm f} {\rm H}^{\circ}{}_{298} \ ({\rm kJ.mol}^{-1})$	0	-1255	0	0
C_v° (J.K ⁻¹ .mol ⁻¹)	26.3	122.0	20.8	20.1