

1. Show that the competitive adsorption of two types of molecules, A and B, on the same surface:

$$\theta_A = \frac{K_A[A]}{1 + K_A[A] + K_B[B]} \quad \& \quad \theta_B = \frac{K_B[B]}{1 + K_A[A] + K_B[B]}$$

where K_A and K_B are the equilibrium constants corresponding to A and B. (12%)

2. Show that the Boyle temperature of a van der Waals gas can be expressed as $T_B = \frac{a}{bR}$. (7%)
3. An aqueous solution contains 1.0 g of sodium chloride in 100 g water and the freezing point is -0.636°C . For an aqueous solution containing 3.6 g unknown solute in 100 g water without the presence of dissociation or association, its freezing point is -0.2°C . Calculate the freezing point depression constant of water and the molar mass of the unknown solute. (12%)
4. The standard electromotive force (E°) of the cell
 $\text{Zn(s)} \mid \text{ZnCl}_2(0.05 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}) \mid \text{AgCl(s)} \mid \text{Ag}$
 is 0.9854 volts at 25°C . (a) Write the half-cell reactions and the cell reaction. (b) Estimate the mean ionic activity coefficient of $0.05 \text{ mol kg}^{-1} \text{ ZnCl}_2$ using Debye-Hückel theory. (c) Calculate the electromotive force (E) and the reaction Gibbs energy of the cell (ΔG). (12%)
5. One mole of ideal monatomic gas at 0°C and 1 bar is put through each of the reversible steps below. Calculate q_m , w_m , ΔU_m , ΔH_m , and ΔS_m . ($R = 8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$)
 (a) cooling at constant volume to -100°C
 (b) constant pressure heating to 100°C
 (c) adiabatic expansion to 0.1 bar (15%)
6. For a reversible first-order reaction $A \xrightleftharpoons[k_{-1}]{k_1} B$
 $k_1 = 0.1 \text{ s}^{-1}$ and $[B]_{eq} / [A]_{eq} = 3$. If the rate constants k_1 and k_{-1} were measured by the T-jump technique, derive the relaxation time and calculate its value. (12%)
7. (a) For an ideal solution, $\Delta_{mix}V = 0$ and $\Delta_{mix}H = 0$, but $\Delta_{mix}G \neq 0$ and $\Delta_{mix}S \neq 0$. Why? Give the reason(s) for each. (8%)
 (b) Induction period (3%)
 (c) Joule-Thomson inversion temperature (3%)
 (d) What is Trouton's rule and why it holds fairly closely for only normal liquids? (4%)
 (e) Osmosis and osmotic pressure (4%)
 (f) Plot the dependence of Z (compression factor) on P (pressure) for a real gas at a constant temperature below its Boyle temperature, and give the reason(s) causing the different tendencies at low P and high P . (4%)
 (g) Illustrate the potential-energy surface for a reaction $A + B - C \rightarrow A - B + C$, showing contour lines connecting positions of equal energy. (4%)