STATISTICAL MOLECULAR Thermodynamics

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Clausius-Clapeyron Equation

Limits of the Clapeyron Equation

$$
\frac{dP}{dT} = \frac{\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{H}}{T\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{V}}
$$

The transition volume of a gas is very sensitive to temperature and pressure, so using a fixed value is not very effective for computing sublimation or vaporization behavior. Further manipulation proves useful, however, making use of:

$$
\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{V}=\overline{V}^g-\overline{V}^{l/s}\approx\overline{V}^g
$$

where the approximation follows from the molar volume of a gas typically being *much* larger than that for liquid or solid

THE CLAUSIUS-CLAPEYRON EQUATION

$$
\frac{dP}{dT} = \frac{\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{H}}{T\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{V}} \approx \frac{\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{H}}{T\overline{V}^g} = \frac{P\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{H}}{RT^2}
$$

The final equality derives from using the ideal gas equation of state to substitute *V* with *RT* / *P*

If we divide both sides by *P* we can write

Equation For trs = sub/vap

$$
\frac{d \ln P}{dT} = \frac{\Delta_{\text{trs}} \overline{H}}{RT^2}
$$

Clausius-Clapeyron

Integrated form of the CC Equation

$$
\frac{d\ln P}{dT} = \frac{\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{H}}{RT^2} \qquad \qquad \int_{P_1}^{P_2} d\ln P = \int_{T_1}^{T_2} \frac{\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{H}}{RT^2} dT
$$

where the latter equation integrates to

$$
\ln \frac{P_2}{P_1} = \frac{\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{H}}{R} \left(\frac{T_2 - T_1}{T_1 T_2}\right)
$$

Can be used to compute the vapor pressure at one temperature given the vapor pressure and transition enthalpy at another temperature

Self-assessment

At its normal boiling point of 353.2 K, benzene has an enthalpy of vaporization of 30.8 kJ/mol. Using the integrated form of the Clausius-Clapeyron equation (below), predict the vapor pressure (torr) in a sealed vessel containing benzene that is immersed in boiling water.

$$
\ln \frac{P_2}{P_1} = \frac{\Delta_{\text{trs}} \overline{H} \left(\frac{T_2 - T_1}{T_1 T_2} \right)
$$

Self-assessment Explained

Boiling water is 373.2 K (that will be T_2), and the normal boiling point (T_1 = 353.2 K) implies 1 atm (P_1 = 760 torr), thus

$$
\ln \frac{P_2}{760} = \frac{30800 \text{ J mol}^{-1}}{8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}} \left(\frac{373.2 \text{ K} - 353.2 \text{ K}}{373.2 \text{ } \cdot 353.2 \text{ K}^2} \right)
$$

Solving for $P₂$ gives 1333 torr (experiment is 1360, with error again deriving from the heat of vaporization not being a constant independent of temperature)

Indefinite Integration of the CC Eq

$$
\frac{d\ln P}{dT} = \frac{\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{H}}{RT^2} \qquad \qquad \int d\ln P = \int \frac{\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{H}}{RT^2} dT
$$

now offers:

$$
\ln P = -\frac{\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{H}}{R} \cdot \frac{1}{T} + C
$$

Slope of ln*P* vs 1 / *T* permits determination of enthalpy of transition

ACCOUNTING FOR $\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{H}(T)$

$$
\int d\ln P = \int \frac{\Delta_{\text{trs}} \overline{H}}{RT^2} dT
$$

Substitute:
$$
\Delta_{\text{trs}}\overline{H} = a_0 + a_1T + a_2T^2 + \cdots
$$

Integration now yields:

$$
\ln P = -\frac{a_0}{RT} + \frac{a_1}{R} \ln T + \frac{a_2}{R} T + C + O(T^2)
$$

readily tabulated and useful over sizable ranges of *T*

Curvature In a Sublimation Example $NH₃(s) \rightarrow NH₃(g)$

Next: Chemical Potential from the Partition Function