

Thermochemistry Study Questions and Problems

- Describe in sentence format the transfer of energy that takes place when:
 - A saucepan of water is heated to boiling
 - A chemical reaction liberates heat.
- If the temperature of 50.0 gram block of aluminum increases by 10.9 K when heated by 500 joules, calculate the:
 - heat capacity of the aluminum block
 - molar heat capacity of aluminum
 - specific heat of aluminum
- The specific heat of gold is $0.128 \text{ JK}^{-1}\text{g}^{-1}$ and the specific heat of iron is $0.451 \text{ JK}^{-1}\text{g}^{-1}$. Calculate the molar heat capacities of these two metals and compare to the value for aluminum calculated in question #2.
- Calculate the heat necessary to change the temperature of one kg of iron from 25°C to 1000°C (FYI: the melting point of Fe= 1811 K). The specific heat of iron is $0.451 \text{ JK}^{-1}\text{g}^{-1}$.
- If a 40 g block of copper at 100°C is added to 100 grams of water at 25°C , calculate the final temperature assuming no heat is lost to the surroundings. The specific heat of copper is $0.385 \text{ JK}^{-1}\text{g}^{-1}$ and the specific heat of water is $4.185 \text{ JK}^{-1}\text{g}^{-1}$.
- Calculate the amount of heat necessary to melt 27.0 grams of ice if the heat of fusion of ice is 6.009 kJ/mol.
- If 27.0 grams of ice at 0°C is added to 123 grams of water at 100°C in an insulated container, calculate the final temperature. Assume that the specific heat of water is $4.185 \text{ JK}^{-1}\text{g}^{-1}$. (Hint: utilize the information from problem #6.)
- A 50 g block of an unknown metal alloy at 100°C is dropped into an insulated flask containing approximately 200 g of ice. It was determined that 10.5 g of the ice melted. What is the specific heat capacity of the unknown alloy? (Hint: use info from Problem #6.)
- If the enthalpy change for the combustion of propane is -2220 kJ/mol propane, what quantity is released when 1 kg of propane is burned?
$$\text{C}_3\text{H}_8(\text{g}) + 5 \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 3 \text{CO}_2(\text{g}) + 4 \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) \quad \Delta H = -2220 \text{ kJ}$$
- Using the following thermochemical data, calculate the molar heat of combustion ΔH° of methane, CH_4 :
$$\text{CH}_4(\text{g}) + 2 \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{CO}_2(\text{g}) + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$$
$$2 \text{CH}_4(\text{g}) + 3 \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 2 \text{CO}(\text{g}) + 4 \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) \quad \Delta H^\circ = -1215 \text{ kJ}$$
$$2 \text{C}(\text{s}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 2 \text{CO}(\text{g}) \quad \Delta H^\circ = -221 \text{ kJ}$$
$$\text{C}(\text{s}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{CO}_2(\text{g}) \quad \Delta H^\circ = -394 \text{ kJ}$$
- Calculate the standard molar enthalpy of formation of methane from the data given in question 10, your answer to question 10 and the following: $\Delta H_f^\circ (\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})) = -286 \text{ kJ/mol}$

12. When ammonia is oxidized to nitrogen dioxide and water, the quantity of heat released equals 349 kJ per mol of ammonia: $2 \text{NH}_{3(g)} + 7/2 \text{O}_{2(g)} \rightarrow 2 \text{NO}_{2(g)} + 3 \text{H}_2\text{O}_{(g)}$ $\Delta H^\circ = -698 \text{ kJ}$
Calculate the standard molar enthalpy of formation of ammonia if:
 $\Delta H_f^\circ (\text{H}_2\text{O}_{(l)}) = -286 \text{ kJ/mol}$ and $\Delta H_f^\circ (\text{NO}_{2(g)}) = +33 \text{ kJ/mol}$
13. A 0.915 gram sample of sugar ($\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_{11}$; molar mass 342 g/mol) was ignited in a bomb calorimeter in the presence of excess oxygen. Combustion was complete. The temperature of the calorimeter and its contents rose by 3.53°C . If the heat capacity of the calorimeter and its contents is 4250 JK^{-1} , calculate the heat released per mole of sugar.
14. When 40 g of ammonium nitrate is dissolved in 100 g of water in a constant-pressure coffee cup calorimeter, the temperature of the solution drops by 22.4°C . If the specific heat capacity of the solution is $4.18 \text{ JK}^{-1}\text{g}^{-1}$, calculate the enthalpy of solution of ammonium nitrate.