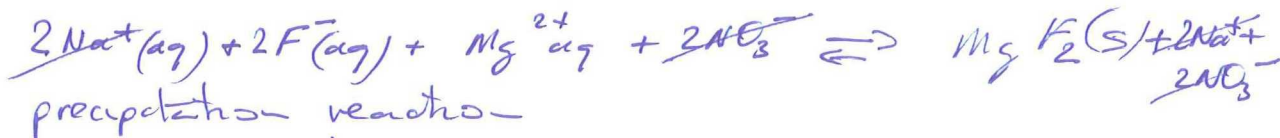


**Problem 1** (max. 15 points)

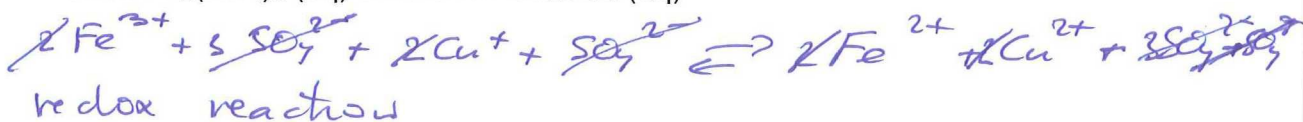
(a) For each of the following reactions give (1) the balanced reaction equation with the products of the reaction, (2) the type of reaction (redox, acid-base, precipitation, gas-evolution) and (3) the expression for the equilibrium constant of the reaction.

(i) 1M NaF (aq) with 1M Mg(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (aq)



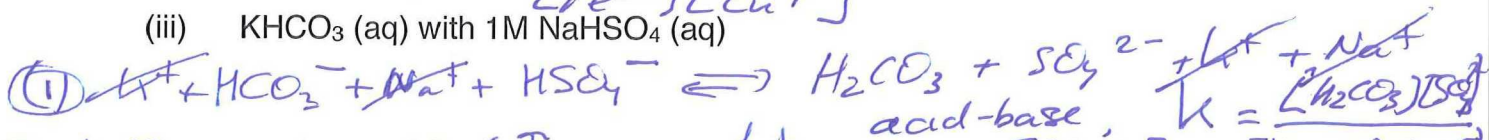
$$K = \frac{1}{[\text{Mg}^{2+}][\text{F}^-]^2}$$

(ii) 0.1M Fe<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (aq) with 0.1M Cu<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (aq)



$$K = \frac{[\text{Fe}^{2+}][\text{Cu}^{2+}]}{[\text{Fe}^{3+}][\text{Cu}^+]}$$

(iii) KHCO<sub>3</sub> (aq) with 1M NaHSO<sub>4</sub> (aq)



(b) A volume of 50 mL of a 2 mM solution of CaCl<sub>2</sub> is added to 50 mL of a 2 mM solution of Ag<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Describe what will happen, and explain your answer by giving the relevant reaction equations and calculations.



conc 1 mM 2 mM 2 mM 1 mM

→ Combining these 2 solutions may lead to precipitation of CaSO<sub>4</sub> and/or AgCl

→ Will CaSO<sub>4</sub> precipitate from reaction mixture?

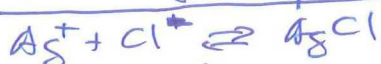


$$K_c = \frac{1}{[\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]} = 1/K_{sp} = 1/1.7 \cdot 10^{-5} = 5.9 \cdot 10^4$$

$$Q = \frac{1}{[\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]} = \frac{1}{10^{-3} \cdot 10^{-3}} = 10^6 > 5.9 \cdot 10^4$$

→ reaction runs to left, no precipitate

→ Will AgCl precipitate from reaction mixture



$$K_c = 1/K_{sp} = 1/1.77 \cdot 10^{-10} = 5.6 \cdot 10^9$$

$$Q = \frac{1}{[\text{Ag}^+][\text{Cl}^-]} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot 2 \cdot 10^{-3}} = 2.5 \cdot 10^4 < 5.6 \cdot 10^9$$

reaction runs to right → precipitate

**Problem 2** (max 25 points)

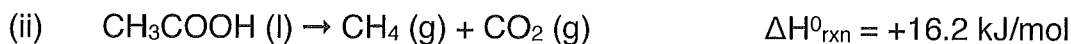
(a) Without carrying out calculations, give for the reactions (i-iii) the sign of  $\Delta S_{\text{sys}}$  and  $\Delta S_{\text{sur}}$ , and indicate the temperature range (low, high or all temperatures) at which the reaction will proceed spontaneously (6p). Explain your answer briefly.



$\Delta S_{\text{sys}} < 0$   
 $\Delta S_{\text{sur}} > 0$

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$$

$< 0$     $< 0$     $\rightarrow \Delta G < 0$   
 only for low T !



$\Delta S_{\text{sys}} > 0$   
 $\Delta S_{\text{sur}} < 0$

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$$

$> 0$     $> 0$     $\rightarrow \Delta G < 0$   
 only for high T !

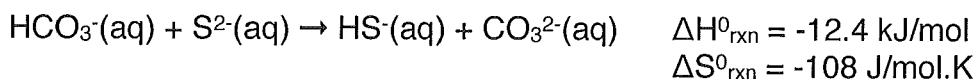


$\Delta S_{\text{sys}} > 0$   
 $\Delta S_{\text{sur}} > 0$

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$$

$< 0$     $> 0$     $\rightarrow \Delta G < 0$   
 for all T !

(b) By doing a calculation, determine if the reaction given below proceeds spontaneously at standard conditions (6p)



answer 1, based on  $\Delta H^{\circ}_{\text{rxn}}$ ,  $\Delta S^{\circ}_{\text{rxn}}$  given above:

$$\Delta G^{\circ}_{\text{rxn}} = \Delta H^{\circ}_{\text{rxn}} - T\Delta S^{\circ}_{\text{rxn}}, T = 298 \text{ K}$$

$$= -12.4 \cdot 10^3 - 298 \cdot (-108)$$

$$= + 15.0 \text{ kJ/mol} > 0$$

non-spontaneous

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(c) Calculate the equilibrium constant for the reaction given at problem 2b (6p)

(based on numbers given at 2b)

$$K = e^{-\Delta G_{\text{rxn}}^{\circ} / RT} = e^{(-19.3 \times 10^3 / 8.31 \times 298)} \\ = 3.37 \times 10^{-4}$$

(for alternative answer see other page)

(d) By doing a calculation, determine if the reaction given at problem 2b proceeds spontaneously for the following conditions  $[\text{HCO}_3^{2-}] = 0.1 \text{ M}$ ,  $[\text{S}^{2-}] = 0.1 \text{ M}$ ,  $[\text{HS}^-] = 0.1 \text{ M}$ ,  $[\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = 0.1 \text{ M}$ , and  $T=298\text{K}$  (7p)

(based on numbers given at 2b)

$$\Delta G_{\text{rxn}} = \Delta G_{\text{rxn}}^{\circ} + RT \ln Q \\ = \Delta G_{\text{rxn}}^{\circ} + RT \ln \frac{[\text{HS}^-][\text{CO}_3^{2-}]}{[\text{HCO}_3^{2-}][\text{S}^{2-}]} \\ = 19.3 \text{ kJ/mol} + 8.31 \times 298 \times \ln \frac{0.1 \times 0.1}{0.1 \times 0.1} \\ = 19.3 \text{ kJ/mol} + 8.31 \times 298 \times \ln(1) \\ = 19.3 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$\Rightarrow$  still  $< 0$ , non spontaneous

(for alternative answer see other page)

problem 2 b, c, d

answers based on data from tables appendix.

2b  $\Delta S_{\text{rxn}}^{\circ} = \sum_f^{\circ} (HS_{\text{aq}}^-) + \sum_f^{\circ} (CO_3^{2-}) - \sum_f^{\circ} (HCO_3^-) - \sum_f^{\circ} (S^{2-})$   
 $= 12.4 \text{ kJ/mol} + (-527.3 \text{ kJ/mol}) - (-506.3 \text{ kJ/mol}) - (+83.7 \text{ kJ/mol})$   
 $= -12.3 \text{ kJ/mol}$

$\Delta S_{\text{rxn}}^{\circ} < 0 \rightarrow$  spontaneous reaction.

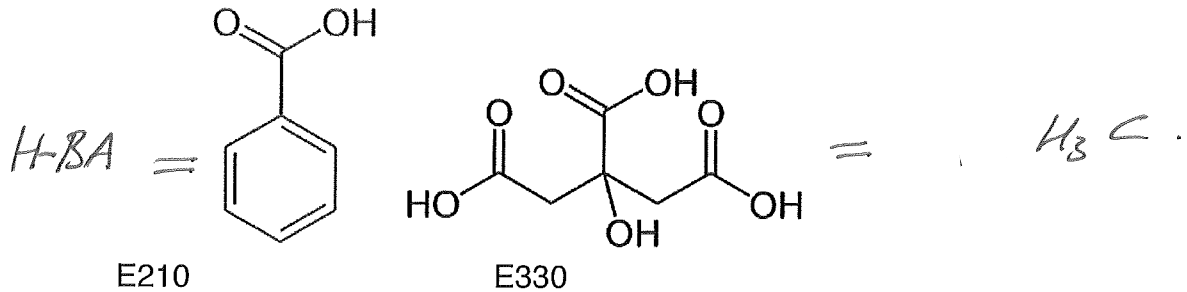
2c  $\Delta S_{\text{rxn}}^{\circ} = -RT \ln K \Rightarrow K = e^{-\Delta S_{\text{rxn}}^{\circ}/RT}$   
 $= e^{(12.3 \cdot 10^3 / (8.314 \cdot 298))}$   
 $= \underline{\underline{14 \cdot 10^2}}$

2d  $\Delta S_{\text{rxn}} = \Delta S_{\text{rxn}}^{\circ} + RT \ln Q$  (see also other answer to 2d)  
 $\ln Q = \ln \frac{[HS^-][CO_3^{2-}]}{[HCO_3^-][S^{2-}]}$   
 $= \ln \frac{0.1 \times 0.1}{0.1 \times 0.1} = \ln(1) = 0$

$\Rightarrow \Delta S_{\text{rxn}} = \Delta S_{\text{rxn}}^{\circ}$   
 $= -12.3 \text{ kJ/mol}$   
 $\rightarrow$  spontaneous reaction

**Problem 3** (max 25 points) acid-base

Benzoic acid (E210) and citric acid (E330) are common food preservatives, but suffer from the drawback that they cause the food to taste slightly acidic. The acid ionisation constants are  $K_a = 6.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$  for benzoic acid, and  $K_{a1} = 7.4 \cdot 10^{-4}$ ,  $K_{a2} = 1.7 \cdot 10^{-5}$ , and  $K_{a3} = 4.0 \cdot 10^{-7}$  for citric acid.



(a) Give the balanced acid ionisation reactions belonging to these acid ionisation constants.



(b) Which of a 0.1 M aqueous solution of each compound E210 or E330 is most acidic? What happens to the pH of the solutions upon dilution with an equal volume of water? Explain your answer by using the relevant equilibrium equations.

~~E210~~ is a 0.1 M solution of E330 is more acidic than a 0.1 M solution of E210

because  $K_{a1}(E330) > K_a(E210)$

Therefore, equilibrium (a1) of probl. 3a is shifted ~~more~~ to the right than equilibrium (a) of prob. 3a and thus has a higher  $[H_3O^+]$ .

Upon dilution with an equal amount of water all equilibria are distorted to the ~~left~~ left, and will restore by a shift to the right. However, they will not reach the same ~~levels of~~ concentrations of products at the right as before addition of water, and hence the final pH will be higher.

(c) Calculate the pH of a solution of 5 g benzoic acid (E210) in 100 mL of water. Give the complete calculation and clearly indicate the assumptions you've made.

$$5 \text{ g benzoic acid (E210)} \hat{=} \frac{5 \text{ g}}{122 \text{ g/mol}} \text{ mol HBA in } 100 \text{ mL}$$

$$\hat{=} \frac{5 \text{ g}}{122 \times 0.1 \text{ dm}^3} = \frac{5}{122 \times 0.1} \left( \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{dm}^3} \right)$$

equilibrium



<u>conc:</u>	$\frac{5}{122 \times 0.1}$	0	0
	$-x$	$+x$	$+x$
	$\left( \frac{5}{122 \times 0.1} - x \right)$	$x$	$x$

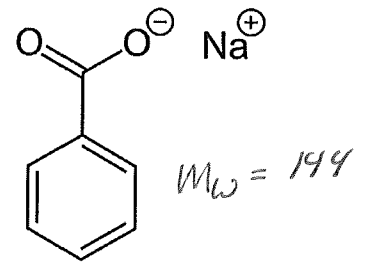
$$x = \sqrt{\frac{5 \times 6.5 \times 10^{-5}}{122 \times 0.1}}$$

$$x = 0.005$$

$$\text{pH} = \underline{\underline{2.28}}$$

$$K = \frac{x^2}{\left( \frac{5}{122 \times 0.1} - x \right)} = 6.5 \times 10^{-5} \quad \text{assume } x \ll \frac{5}{122 \times 0.1} \Rightarrow$$

(d) Also sodium benzoate (E211) is often used as a food preservative in addition to benzoic acid. Calculate the pH of the resulting solution if 5 g of sodium benzoate (E211) has been added to a solution of 5g of benzoic acid (E210) in 100 mL of water.



$$[\text{HBA}]_0 = \frac{5}{122 \times 0.1} \quad [\text{BA}^-]_0 = \frac{5}{144 \times 0.1}$$



<u>conc:</u>	$\frac{5}{122 \times 0.1}$	0	$\frac{5}{144 \times 0.1}$
	$-x$	$+x$	$+x$
	$\left( \frac{5}{122 \times 0.1} - x \right)$	$x$	$\left( \frac{5}{144 \times 0.1} + x \right)$

$$K = \frac{x \left( \frac{5}{144 \times 0.1} + x \right)}{\left( \frac{5}{122 \times 0.1} - x \right)} \quad \text{assume } x \ll \frac{5}{144 \times 0.1}$$

$$K = \frac{x \left( \frac{5}{144 \times 0.1} \right)}{\left( \frac{5}{122 \times 0.1} - x \right)}$$

$$\text{assume } x \ll \frac{5}{144 \times 0.1}$$

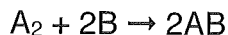
$$\Rightarrow K = \frac{x \left( \frac{5}{144 \times 0.1} \right)}{\left( \frac{5}{122 \times 0.1} \right)} = 6.5 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$x = \frac{5}{122 \times 0.1} \times \frac{144 \times 0.1}{5} \times 6.5 \times 10^{-5} = 7.1 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = -\log(7.1 \times 10^{-5}) = \underline{\underline{4.12}}$$

**Problem 4** (max. 25 points) (kinetics)

Given the following exothermic chemical reaction :



Compound  $A_2$  reacts via intermediate A with compound B to product AB. Analysis of the initial rates of formation of AB ( $v_{i,AB}$ ) for different initial concentrations of  $A_2$  en B ( $[A_2]_i$  and  $[B]_i$ , respectively) gives the following results:

experiment	$v_{i,AB}$ (M/s)	$[A_2]_i$ (M)	$[B]_i$ (M)
1	20	0.1	0.1
2	40	0.2	0.1
3	20	0.1	0.2
4	40	0.2	0.2

- a) By using the data in the Table, give the rate equation for the formation of product AB expressed in concentrations of  $A_2$  en B. Explain your answer.

compare exp 1 and 2 :  $[A_2]_i$ : doubles,  $[B]_i$ : constant  
(or exp 2 and 4)  $v_{i,AB}$  doubles

→ 1<sup>st</sup> order in  $[A_2]$

compare exp 1 and 3 :  $[A_2]_i$ : constant,  $[B]_i$ : doubles  
(or exp 3 and 4)  $v_{i,AB}$  constant

→ zero order in  $[B]$

rate equation  $\frac{1}{2} \frac{d[AB]}{dt} = -\frac{d[A_2]}{dt} = k[A_2]$   
or  $\frac{d[AB]}{dt} = 2k[A_2]$

- b) By using the data in the Table, calculate the reaction rate constant  $k$  for the formation of product AB. Give the complete calculation and clearly indicate the units of  $k$ .

$$\frac{d[AB]}{dt} = v_{i,AB} = 2k[A_2]_i$$

for initial rates and initial concentrations from the table, e.g. exp 1:

$$20 \left(\frac{M}{s}\right) = 2k \cdot 0.1 (M)$$

$$k = \frac{20 \left(\frac{M}{s}\right)}{2 \times 0.1 (M)} = \underline{\underline{100 (s^{-1})}}$$

- c) Propose a plausible reaction scheme for the formation of AB that is consistent with the data in the Table and the rate equation for the formation of AB.

In first rate determining step dissociation of  $A_2$   
 is first order reaction



then



- d) Draw the reaction coordinate-energy diagram for the reaction of  $A_2$  to product AB. In this reaction coordinate-energy diagram clearly indicate the following:
- reactants, intermediates, and products
  - the energy of activation and the reaction enthalpy
  - the rate limiting step

