



Equilibrium Requirements

(Relating Primarily to Thermal, Phase,
and Chemical Equilibrium)

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Overview

- Types of Equilibrium
- Thermal and Phase Equilibrium
 - Example
- Second Law of Thermodynamics
 - Increased Entropy Principle
 - Gibbs Function
- Chemical Equilibrium
 - Example



Types of Equilibrium

- Mechanical (not discussed)
 - No change in pressure
- Thermal
 - No change in temperature
- Phase
 - No phase transformation
- Chemical
 - No change in chemical composition



Thermal and Phase Equilib.

- Example: Refrigeration Condenser.
- Theoretical Adiabatic system.
 - No heat lost to surroundings
 - Complete phase change of material from vapor to liquid.



Reacting Systems

- 2nd Law of Thermodynamics.
 - Energy has quality and quantity.
 - Reaction proceed in direction of lowest quality.
- In our example that means:
 - Lowest possible temperature.
 - Lowest possible phase (liquid).



Real World.

- “Ixnay” on the adiabatic systems
- Reactions based on other principles
 - Increase entropy principle
 - Gibbs’ function (enthalpy)





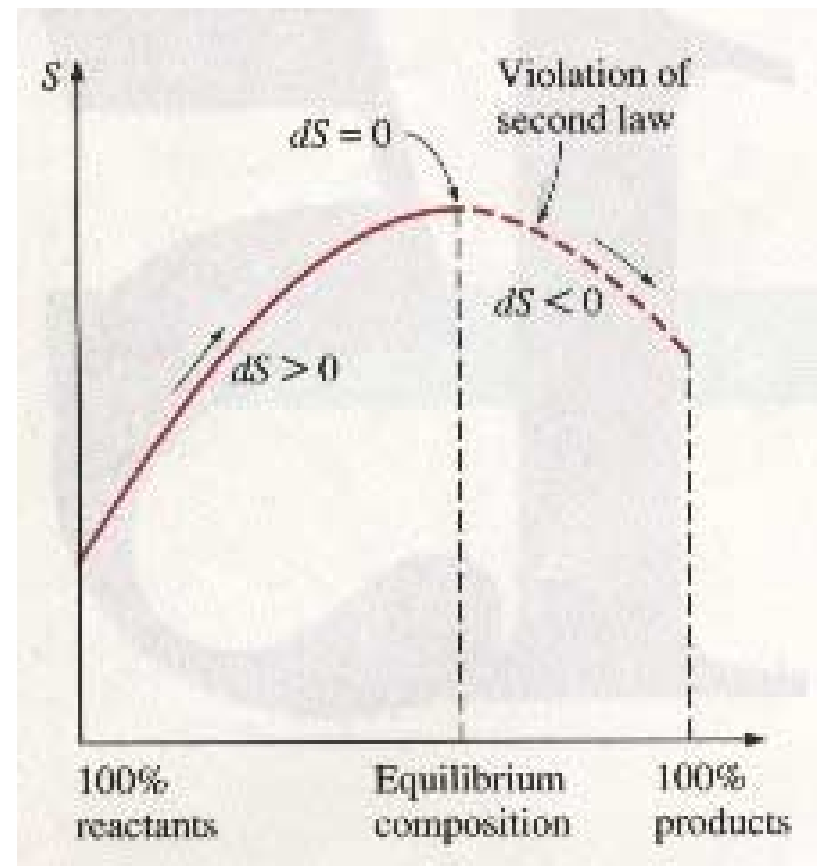
Increased Entropy Principle

- Basic equation: $dS_{\text{sys}} \geq dQ/t.$
- Heat transfer?
- Relationship with equilibrium criterion.
 - $dQ - PdV = DU.$
 - $dS_{\text{sys}} \geq dQ/t.$
 - Yields $\rightarrow dU + PdV - TdS \leq 0.$
- In English:

When entropy is maxed out, reaction stops.

Increased Entropy Principle

- Equilibrium is reached at maximum entropy.
- Chemical reaction proceeds to increased entropy



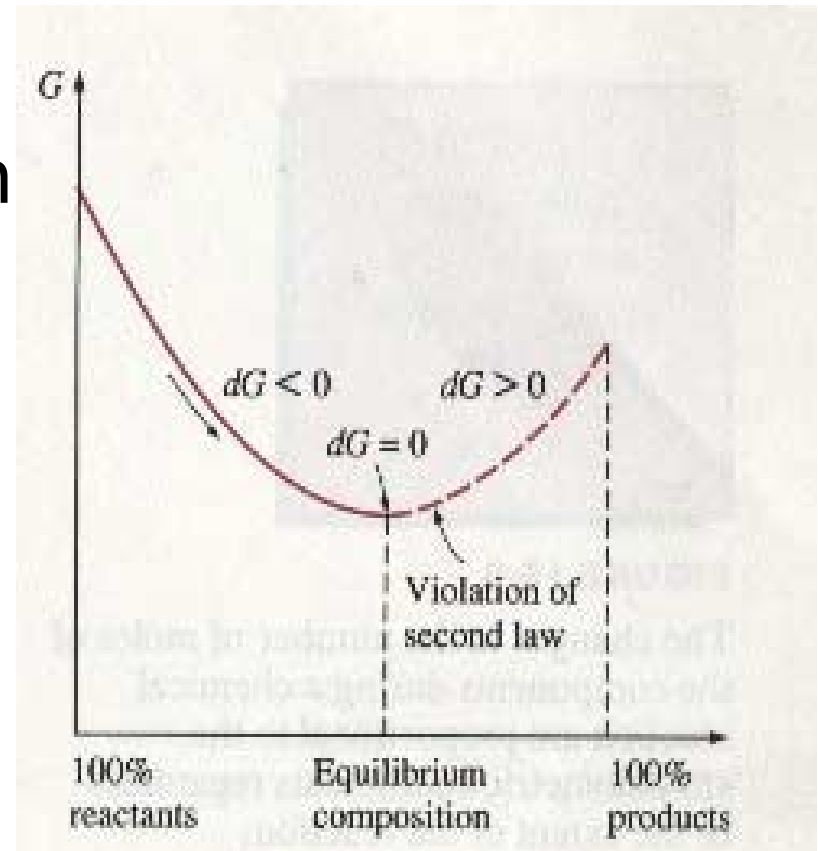


Gibbs Function

- $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$
- In English that transfers to:
 - $\Delta G = 0$
- Dumbed down a little bit:
 - Reaction stops when Gibbs is the smallest.

Gibbs Function

- Equilibrium is reached at minimum change in T and P.
- Chemical reaction proceeds to smallest T and P.





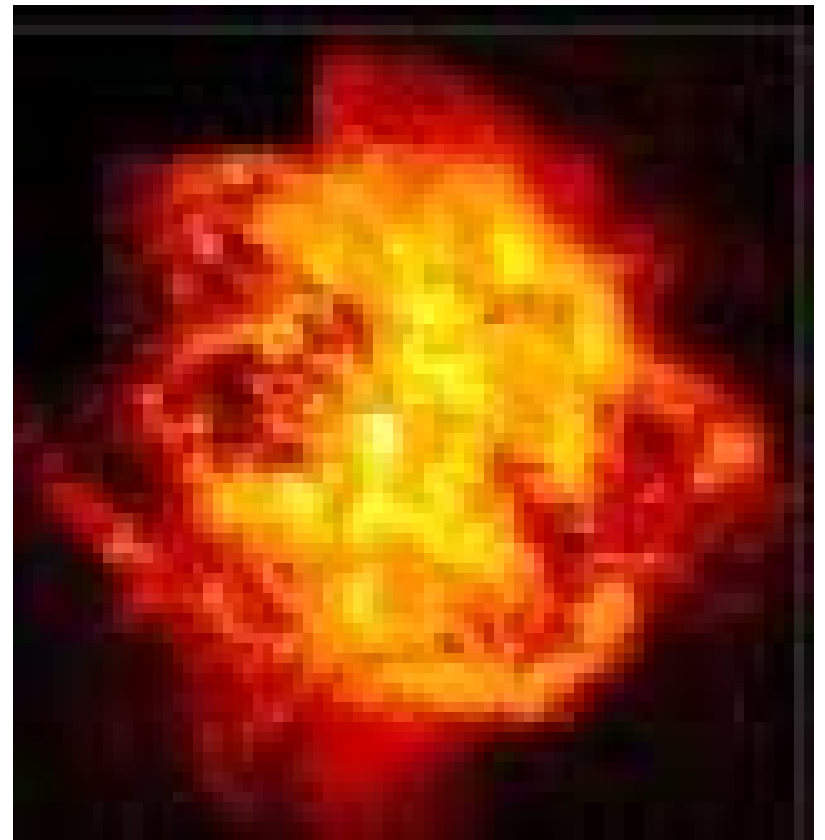
Chemical Equilibrium

- Chemical Equilibrium:
 - A single non-reacting element
 - Two or more elements
 - The amount of reactants **in** the system equal the amount of products **from** the system.

- Does this include Plasma?

Plasma!!!!!!!!!!!!

- What does this have to do with Plasma?
- Plasma is a gas
 - Steve Malekos
- Acetylene and Ammonia





Acetylene and Ammonia

- Acetylene \rightarrow C_2H_2
 - + matches = **BOOM!!!!!!**
- Ammonia \rightarrow NH_3
 - + cleft lip Bobby = **DEAD BOBBY**



Mixture


- In growing nanotubes the key is to deposit the carbon atoms.
 - Acetylene contains the carbon C_2H_2
- Correct mixture is important!



All up in the Mix

- How it breaks down

Energy





All up in the Mix

- Wrong!

- Stoichiometry

- Correct way

Energy



- **NOTE: H^+ and N^{3-} ions are also present due to added energy.**



Blah, Blah, Blah is this important?

- YES, Wes it is!
- Bad mix
 - No equilibrium
 - Non-reacted molecules
- Results
 - Releasing Acetylene and Ammonia as byproducts



Rapn' it up.

- Equilibrium is important!
- Thermal and Phase Equilibrium
- Increased Entropy and Gibbs Function
- Chemical Equilibrium and Plasma





So... How you doin'?

