Hess's Law



Other Techniques

- Aside from calorimetry (q=mcT), scientists can use the following to determine enthalpy changes.
 - •Hess's law
 - Enthalpy of Formation data

Hess's Law of Summation

For any reaction that can be written in steps, the ∆H° is the same as the sum of the values of the ∆H° for each individual step.





Rule #1

$N_2O_4(g) \rightarrow 2 NO_2(g) \Delta H^\circ = +57.93 kJ$

 $2 \text{ NO}_2(g) \rightarrow \text{ N}_2\text{O}_4(g)$

1. Reversing a chemical reaction causes a **sign** change in front of the ΔH° value.



Rule #2

2. If the coefficients of a chemical equation are altered **by multiplying or dividing** then the ∆H is altered the same way

 $C_2H_2 + 5/2 O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + H_2O$ $\Delta H = -1299 kJ$

 $2C_2H_2 + 5 O_2 \rightarrow 2CO_2 + 2H_2O \qquad \Delta H = -2598 \text{ kJ}$



Rule #3

3. When cancelling compounds for Hess's Law, the <u>state</u> of the compounds is important.

$$H_{2(g)} + \frac{1}{2} O_{2(g)} \rightarrow H_2O_{(g)}$$

 $\Delta H^{\circ} = +57.93 \text{ kJ}$

$$K_2SO_{4(s)} + 2H_2O_{(l)} \rightarrow H_2SO_{4(aq)} + 2KOH_{(s)}$$
$$\Delta H^\circ = +342.4kJ$$

These two CANNOT cancel each other out



∆H° Rules

- 1. If all the coefficients of an eqⁿ are multiplied or divided by a common factor, the ΔH° must be changed likewise.
- 2. When a reaction is reversed, the sign of ΔH° must also be reversed.
- 3. When cancelling compounds for Hess's Law, the <u>state</u> of the compounds is important.



Enthalpy

∆H° values of unknown reactions can be solved when other known reactions are given.

Example #1

$$C_{(s)} + O_{2(g)} \rightarrow CO_{2(g)} \Delta H^{\circ} = ?$$

 $C_{(s)} + \frac{1}{2} O_{2(g)} \rightarrow CO_{(g)} \Delta H^{\circ} = -110.5 \text{ kJ}$
 $CO_{(g)} + \frac{1}{2} O_{2(g)} \rightarrow CO_{2(g)} \Delta H^{\circ} = -283.0 \text{ kJ}$
 $C_{(s)} + O_{2(g)} \rightarrow CO_{2(g)} \Delta H^{\circ} = -393.5 \text{ kJ}$

Example #2

$$2 \operatorname{Fe}_{(s)} + 3/2 \operatorname{O}_{2(g)} \rightarrow \operatorname{Fe}_{2}\operatorname{O}_{3(s)} \Delta H^{\circ} = ?$$

$$\operatorname{Fe}_{2}\operatorname{O}_{3(s)} + 3 \operatorname{CO}_{(g)} \rightarrow 2 \operatorname{Fe}_{(s)} + 3 \operatorname{CO}_{2(g)} \Delta H^{\circ} = -26.7 \text{ kJ}$$

$$\operatorname{Flip!} 2 \operatorname{Fe}_{(s)} + 3 \operatorname{CO}_{2(g)} \rightarrow \operatorname{Fe}_{2}\operatorname{O}_{3(s)} + 3 \operatorname{CO}_{(g)} \Delta H^{\circ} = +26.7 \text{ kJ}$$

$$\operatorname{CO}_{(g)} + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{O}_{2(g)} \rightarrow \operatorname{CO}_{2(g)} \Delta H^{\circ} = -283.0 \text{ kJ}$$

$$x3! \quad 3\operatorname{CO}_{(g)} + \frac{3}{2} \operatorname{O}_{2(g)} \rightarrow 3\operatorname{CO}_{2(g)} \Delta H^{\circ} = -849.0 \text{ kJ}$$

$$2 \operatorname{Fe}_{(s)} + \frac{3}{2} \operatorname{O}_{2(g)} \rightarrow \operatorname{Fe}_{2}\operatorname{O}_{3(s)} \Delta H^{\circ} = -822.3 \text{ kJ}$$