Relaxation in Glass: Review of Thermodynamics

Lecture 11: Thermodynamics in the Glass Transition Region

Thermodynamic Functions... 1st Derivatives

Temperature Dependence of the Entropy



Figure 1.5 Standard entropy of aluminium relative to 0 K. The standard entropy of fusion $(\Delta_{\text{fus}} S_m^{\circ})$ is significantly smaller than the standard entropy of boiling $(\Delta_{\text{vap}} S_m^{\circ})$.

Thermodynamic Functions... 1st Derivatives

Temperature dependence of the Gibb's Free-Energy



Figure 1.8 Standard Gibbs energy of solid, liquid and gaseous aluminium relative to the standard Gibbs energy of solid aluminium at T = 0 K as a function of temperature (at p = 1 bar).

Thermodynamic Functions... 1st Derivatives

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$$V^{s} < V^{l} < V^{g}$$
 $\left(\frac{\partial G^{s}}{\partial P}\right)_{T} = V^{s} < \left(\frac{\partial G^{l}}{\partial P}\right)_{T} = V^{l} < \left(\frac{\partial G^{g}}{\partial P}\right)_{T} = V^{g}$



Figure 1.9 Standard Gibbs energy of graphite and diamond at T = 298 K relative to the standard Gibbs energy of graphite at 1 bar as a function of pressure.

Homework Exercise for next time:

 Derive an expression for the following quantity in terms of easily measured quantities and apply it to liquid B₂O₃ slightly above its melting point and crystalline B₂O₃ slightly below its melting point

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_{P} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial S}\right)_{P}} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial P}\right)_{S}} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial P}\right)_{T}} \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial P}\right)_{T}} \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T}\right)_{P}$$

$$= -\frac{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T}\right)_{P}}{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial P}\right)_{T}} = -\frac{Cp}{-T\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\right)_{P}} = -\frac{Cp}{-T\alpha V} = \frac{Cp}{T\alpha V}$$

The Enthalpy as a function of temperature, H(T)

The heat capacity Cp measures how much heat it takes to raise the temperature of the system by one degree

$$\left(\frac{\partial q}{\partial T}\right)_{P} = \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial T}\right)_{P} \equiv C_{P}(T)$$

 The enthalpy can be calculated from the heat capacity for a large change in temperature

$$H(T_2) - H(T_1) = \int_{T_1}^{T_2} \left(\frac{\partial H(T)}{\partial T}\right)_P dT = \int_{T_1}^{T_2} C_P dT$$

If the Cp(T) of solid TiO₂ is 17.97 + 0.28 x 10⁻³T - 4.35 x 10⁻⁵/T² cal/mole-K, the ∆H_{melt} is 16 kcal/mole, and the Cp(T) for the liquid is 21.4 cal/mole-K, plot the Cp(T), H(T) and calculate how much heat is required to heat 10 lbs. TiO₂ from room temperature up to 2500 K?

Enthalpy function for glass forming liquids

- Now consider the temperature dependence of the Enthalpy for a liquid cooled from above its melting point to room temperature along two cooling paths:
 - First assume thermodynamic equilibrium holds and the liquid readily crystallizes at its melting (freezing) point to form the equilibrium crystalline phase and then continues to cool to room temperature
 - Second, assume kinetics holds and the liquid bypasses the equilibrium crystallization and super-cools to the glassy state.

Enthalpy Changes in the Glass Transition Region

- H(T) decreases continuously with cooling
- Slope of the H(T) curve is the heat capacity which changes from liquid-like to solid-like values in the transition region
- Change in heat capacity at the glass transition ∆Cp(Tg) measures the differences between the liquid and solid (glassy) Cp values
- Sub-Tg annealing and relaxation can occur if liquid is given sufficient time to relax to lower enthalpy state



Heat Capacity changes at Tg: Δ Cp(Tg)

- The change in slope in enthalpy at Tg is a measure of the difference between heat capacity of the liquid and the glass
- Heat capacity of *glasses* arises mostly from vibrational contributions
 - rotational and translational degrees of freedom have been "frozen" out
- Heat capacities of *liquids* arise from all three contributions
 - rotational, translational, and vibrational



Heat Capacity changes at Tg: Δ Cp(Tg)

Exercise: What would the enthalpy curve look like in the region of Tg if the change in heat capacity at Tg for some reason vansished, that is ∆Cp(Tg) → 0?



Heat Capacity changes at Tg:ΔCp(Tg)

- Glass transition occurs when:
 - Thermal energy, heat, being input into the glass has filled all the available thermal degrees of freedom, vibrations, in the glass
 - The vibrational states are essentially filled and at maximum amplitude
 - Additional heat supplied to the glass must be accommodated by other degrees of freedom
 - Rotational and translational degrees of freedom now become available and as such, Cp_{liquid} >> Cp_{glass}

Heat Capacity Changes at Tg: Δ Cp(Tg)

- Covalently bonded liquids exhibit "strong" rigidly held structures (SiO₂, for example)
 - Generally exhibit higher glass transition temperatures and smaller $\Delta Cp(Tg)$ values
- Molecular, or ionic salt liquids exhibit "fragile", weakly held structures (sucrose, for example)
 - Generally exhibit lower glass transition temperatures and larger $\Delta Cp(Tg)$ values
- Behaviors can be interchanged by chemically changing the liquid
 - Depolymerizing covalent liquids through non-bridging oxygens

Temperature dependence of the Entropy, S(T)

- Entropy measures the disorder in the system
 - It is always positive, and always increases with temperature
 - Hot things are always more disordered than cool things
 - Entropy can go to zero at 0 K

$$S(T_2) - S(T_1) = \int_{T_1}^{T_2} \left(\frac{\partial S(T)}{\partial T}\right)_P dT = \int_{T_1}^{T_2} \frac{C_P}{T} dT$$

• If the Cp(T) of solid TiO₂ is $17.97 + 0.28 \times 10^{-3}$ T - 4.35×10^{-5} /T² cal/mole-K, the ΔH_{melt} is 16kcal/mole, and the Cp(T) for the liquid is 21.4 cal/mole-K plot the S(T) and calculate the change in entropy when 10 lbs. TiO₂ is cooled from 2000 K to room temperature?

Temperature Dependence of the Entropy S(T)



Entropy Changes below Tm

- Entropy is intimately linked to liquid state behavior
 - Highly disordered liquid being reversibly ordered at the freezing point to the the crystalline phases
 - Corresponding reversible change in entropy, ∆H(Tm)/Tm
- Glass forming liquids exhibit continuously changing entropy that shows no discontinuities
 - Entropy decreases with temperatures
 - At Tg, continuously changes from liquid-like values to solid like values



Kauzmann Paradox

- If entropy curve continued along meta-stable equilibrium liquid line
 - At some temperature below Tg, the entropy of the liquids would appear to decrease below that of the crystal
 - crystal
 How could a liquid, with its inherent of the corresponding crystal
 - The Kauzmann temperature, T_K, is the temperature where the entropy of the liquid would intersect that of the equilibrium crystal
 - Glass at this temperature is often called an "*ideal glass*"



Kauzmann Paradox

- Simultaneous to rapidly decreasing entropy
 - Viscosity is increasing
 - Structural relaxation time is rapidly increasing
 - Time required for the liquid to continue to follow the equilibrium line becomes dramatically longer
- Liquid falls out of equilibrium at a temperature above the Kauzmann temperature because the time required for it to remain in equilibrium simply becomes much longer than the experimental time scale



Excess Entropy ΔS_{excess} of the Supercooled Liquid

- The important quantity is the extra entropy the liquid has above that of the crystal at the same supercooled temperature
 - Equilibrium liquids above the melting point have no excess entropy
 - Supercooled liquids have excess entropy because they have not "lost" the entropy of melting given to the liquid on melting
 - A supercooled liquid, at maximum has the entropy of melting to lose below Tm
 - At T_K the liquid has lost all of this entropy







Gibb's Free-Energy Change at Tg

- G = H TS
- Gibbs' Free-Energy change at Tm is continuous, there is no "Latent Free-Energy Change" as is the case for the enthalpy and entropy

 $G_{liquid} = G_{crystal}$

Below the melting point

$$G_{liquid} > G_{crystal}$$
 and
 $\Delta G_{crystallization} < O$

Above the melting point

$$G_{liquid} > G_{crsytal}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial G(T)}{\partial T}\right)_{P} = -S(T)$$



Gibb's Free-Energy Change at Tg

- Glasses then "fall off" the liquid line at progressively lower temperatures the slower the cooling rate
- Gibbs' Free-Energy of the glass behaves more like the crystal than the liquid
- Glass transition range is the range of T where the Gibb's Free-Energy changes from "liquid-like" values to "solid-like" values

