

AP Chemistry Equations & Constants

Throughout the test the following symbols have the definitions specified unless otherwise noted.

L, mL = liter(s), milliliter(s)

g = gram(s)

nm = nanometer(s)

atm = atmosphere(s)

mm Hg = millimeters of mercury

J, kJ = joule(s), kilojoule(s)

V = volt(s)

mol = mole(s)

ATOMIC STRUCTURE

$$E = h\nu$$

$$c = \lambda\nu$$

E = energy

ν = frequency

λ = wavelength

Planck's constant, $h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34}$ J s

Speed of light, $c = 2.998 \times 10^8$ m s⁻¹

Avogadro's number = 6.022×10^{23} mol⁻¹

Electron charge, $e = -1.602 \times 10^{-19}$ coulomb

EQUILIBRIUM

$$K_c = \frac{[C]^c [D]^d}{[A]^a [B]^b}, \text{ where } a A + b B \rightleftharpoons c C + d D$$

$$K_p = \frac{(P_C)^c (P_D)^d}{(P_A)^a (P_B)^b}$$

$$K_a = \frac{[H^+][A^-]}{[HA]}$$

$$K_b = \frac{[OH^-][HB^+]}{[B]}$$

$$K_w = [H^+][OH^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-14} \text{ at } 25^\circ\text{C}$$
$$= K_a \times K_b$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log [H^+], \text{ pOH} = -\log [OH^-]$$

$$14 = \text{pH} + \text{pOH}$$

$$\text{pH} = \text{p}K_a + \log \frac{[A^-]}{[HA]}$$

$$\text{p}K_a = -\log K_a, \text{ p}K_b = -\log K_b$$

Equilibrium Constants

K_c (molar concentrations)

K_p (gas pressures)

K_a (weak acid)

K_b (weak base)

K_w (water)

KINETICS

$$\ln[A]_t - \ln[A]_0 = -kt$$

$$\frac{1}{[A]_t} - \frac{1}{[A]_0} = kt$$

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{k}$$

k = rate constant

t = time

$t_{1/2}$ = half-life

GASES, LIQUIDS, AND SOLUTIONS

$$PV = nRT$$

$$P_A = P_{\text{total}} \times X_A, \text{ where } X_A = \frac{\text{moles A}}{\text{total moles}}$$

$$P_{\text{total}} = P_A + P_B + P_C + \dots$$

$$n = \frac{m}{M}$$

$$K = ^\circ\text{C} + 273$$

$$D = \frac{m}{V}$$

$$KE \text{ per molecule} = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

Molarity, M = moles of solute per liter of solution

$$A = abc$$

P = pressure

V = volume

T = temperature

n = number of moles

m = mass

M = molar mass

D = density

KE = kinetic energy

v = velocity

A = absorbance

a = molar absorptivity

b = path length

c = concentration

Gas constant, $R = 8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$

$$= 0.08206 \text{ L atm mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$$

$$= 62.36 \text{ L torr mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$$

1 atm = 760 mm Hg

$$= 760 \text{ torr}$$

STP = 0.00°C and 1.000 atm

THERMOCHEMISTRY/ ELECTROCHEMISTRY

$$q = mc\Delta T$$

$$\Delta S^\circ = \sum S^\circ \text{ products} - \sum S^\circ \text{ reactants}$$

$$\Delta H^\circ = \sum \Delta H_f^\circ \text{ products} - \sum \Delta H_f^\circ \text{ reactants}$$

$$\Delta G^\circ = \sum \Delta G_f^\circ \text{ products} - \sum \Delta G_f^\circ \text{ reactants}$$

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

$$= -RT \ln K$$

$$= -nFE^\circ$$

$$I = \frac{q}{t}$$

q = heat

m = mass

c = specific heat capacity

T = temperature

S° = standard entropy

H° = standard enthalpy

G° = standard free energy

n = number of moles

E° = standard reduction potential

I = current (amperes)

q = charge (coulombs)

t = time (seconds)

Faraday's constant, $F = 96,485$ coulombs per mole of electrons

$$1 \text{ volt} = \frac{1 \text{ joule}}{1 \text{ coulomb}}$$