

# Appendix B: AP Chemistry Equations and Constants

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

L, mL	= liter(s), milliliter(s)	mm Hg	= millimeters of mercury
g	= gram(s)	J, kJ	= joule(s), kilojoule(s)
nm	= nanometer(s)	V	= volt(s)
atm	= atmosphere(s)	mol	= mole(s)

## ATOMIC STRUCTURE

$$E = h\nu$$

$$c = \lambda\nu$$

$E$  = energy

$\nu$  = frequency

$\lambda$  = wavelength

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

Speed of light,  $c = 2.998 \times 10^8$  m s<sup>-1</sup>

Avogadro's number =  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  mol<sup>-1</sup>

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

## EQUILIBRIUM

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

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

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

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

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

$$= K_a \times K_b$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$1 \text{ atm} = 760 \text{ mm Hg}$$

$$= 760 \text{ torr}$$

STP =  $0.00^\circ\text{C}$  and  $1.000 \text{ atm}$

**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

$S^\circ$  = standard entropy

$H^\circ$  = standard enthalpy

$G^\circ$  = standard free energy

$n$  = number of moles

$E^\circ$  = standard reduction potential

$I$  = current (amperes)

$q$  = charge (coulombs)

$t$  = time (seconds)

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

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