



DPP –3 Gibbs Free Energy [Theoretical]— Solutions

“Tumhe pata bhi nahi, tum kis level ke insaan ban sakte ho—bas ek assignment karne ki himmat chahiye. — Weird Chemist.”

Q1. Identify the correct statement for change of Gibbs energy for a system (ΔG_{system}) at constant temperature and pressure.

Concept: Constant T, P pe spontaneity ka criterion $\Delta G_{system} < 0$ hota hai; equilibrium pe $\Delta G_{system} = 0$.

Option-by-option:

- (1) If $\Delta G_{system} > 0$, process spontaneous — **(Wrong)**: positive ΔG means non-spontaneous.
- (2) If $\Delta G_{system} = 0$, equilibrium — **(Correct)**: by definition at constant T, P .
- (3) If $\Delta G_{system} = 0$, still moving in a particular direction — **(Wrong)**: that would imply driving force; equilibrium means no net change.
- (4) If $\Delta G_{system} < 0$, not spontaneous — **(Wrong)**: actually spontaneous.

Final Answer: (2)

Q2. At equilibrium which is correct :

Concept: Equilibrium (constant T, P) $\Rightarrow \Delta G = 0$. ΔH or ΔS need not be zero. Also $\Delta G^\circ = 0$ only when $Q = 1$ and $K = 1$.

Option-by-option:

- (1) $\Delta G = 0$ — **(Correct)**
- (2) $\Delta S = 0$ — **(Wrong)**: system entropy may change if surroundings compensate; total remains zero.
- (3) $\Delta H = 0$ — **(Wrong)**
- (4) $\Delta G^\circ = 0$ — **(Wrong)**: standard Gibbs change zero iff $K = 1$, not general.

Final Answer: (1)

Q3. Which of the following always increases for spontaneous process –

Concept: Spontaneous process ke liye $\Delta S_{universe} > 0$ (system + surroundings).

Option-by-option:

- (1) ΔH_{system} — **(Wrong)**: exo/endothermic both possible.
- (2) ΔS_{system} — **(Wrong)**: system entropy kabhi kabhi ghatt bhi sakta hai.
- (3) $\Delta S_{universe}$ — **(Correct)**
- (4) $\Delta G_{system} = \Delta H_{system} - T\Delta S_{system}$ increases — **(Wrong)**: spontaneity requires ΔG decrease.

Final Answer: (3)

Q4. For the process, $\text{CO}_2(\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{CO}_2(\text{g})$:

Concept: Sublimation absorbs heat ($\Delta H > 0$) and disorder badhata hai ($\Delta S > 0$).

Option-by-option:

- (1) $\Delta H > 0, \Delta S > 0$ — **(Correct)**
- (2) $\Delta H < 0, \Delta S > 0$ — **(Wrong)**
- (3) $\Delta H > 0, \Delta S < 0$ — **(Wrong)**
- (4) $\Delta H < 0, \Delta S < 0$ — **(Wrong)**

Final Answer: (1)

Q5. $2\text{C}_8\text{H}_{18}(\text{g}) + 25\text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 16\text{CO}_2(\text{g}) + 18\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g})$: signs of $\Delta H, \Delta S, \Delta G$

Concept: Combustion exothermic ($\Delta H < 0$). Gas moles: reactants = 27, products = 34 ($\Delta S > 0$). Mixed signs but $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S < 0$ (strongly exergonic).

Options:

- (1) $-, +, +$ — **(Wrong)**: ΔG should be negative.
- (2) $+, +, -$ — **(Wrong)**: ΔH is not $+$.
- (3) $-, -, -$ — **(Wrong)**: ΔS is not $-$.
- (4) $-, +, -$ — **(Correct)**

Final Answer: (4)

Q6. Spontaneous at all temperatures is –

Concept: $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S < 0$ for all T only when $\Delta H < 0$ and $\Delta S > 0$.

Options:

- (1) $\Delta H > 0, \Delta S > 0$ — **(Wrong)**: high T only.
- (2) $\Delta H < 0, \Delta S < 0$ — **(Wrong)**: low T only.
- (3) $\Delta H < 0, \Delta S > 0$ — **(Correct)**
- (4) $\Delta H > 0, \Delta S < 0$ — **(Wrong)**: never spontaneous.

Final Answer: (3)

Q7. When ΔH and $T\Delta S$ both are negative, then spontaneous if?

Concept: $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$. Yahan $T\Delta S < 0$ hai, to $-T\Delta S$ positive ho jata hai. $\Delta G < 0$ ke liye magnitude condition: $\Delta H < T\Delta S$ (both negative; i.e., $|\Delta H| > |T\Delta S|$).

Options:

- (1) $\Delta H > T\Delta S$ — **(Wrong)**
- (2) $\Delta H < T\Delta S$ — **(Correct)**
- (3) $\Delta H = T\Delta S$ — **(Wrong)**: then $\Delta G = 0$.
- (4) $\Delta H = \Delta U$ — **(Wrong)**: irrelevant criterion here.

Final Answer: (2)

Q8. Favourable conditions for a spontaneous reaction are :

Concept: Best combo: $\Delta H < 0, \Delta S > 0$ (then $T\Delta S > \Delta H$ typically).

Options:

- (1) $T\Delta S > \Delta H, \Delta H = +, \Delta S = +$ — **(Wrong)**: possible at high T , but not “most favourable”.
- (2) $T\Delta S < \Delta H, \Delta H = -, \Delta S = -$ — **(Wrong)**: usually non-spontaneous unless very low T .
- (3) $T\Delta S > \Delta H, \Delta H = -, \Delta S = +$ — **(Correct)**

(4) $T\Delta S < \Delta H$, $\Delta H = +$, $\Delta S = -$ — **(Wrong)**: never.

Final Answer: (3)

Q9. Spontaneous at all temperature only if :

Concept: Same as Q26: $\Delta H < 0$, $\Delta S > 0$ ensures $\Delta G < 0$ for any T .

Options:

- (1) $\Delta H < 0$, $\Delta S > 0$ — **(Correct)**
- (2) $\Delta H > 0$, $\Delta S < 0$ — **(Wrong)**
- (3) $\Delta H > 0$, $\Delta S > 0$ — **(Wrong)**: high T only.
- (4) $\Delta H < 0$, $\Delta S < 0$ — **(Wrong)**: low T only.

Final Answer: (1)

Q10. If $\Delta H > 0$ and $\Delta S > 0$, reaction proceeds spontaneously when :

Concept: Endothermic with disorder increase \Rightarrow high T helps: need $T\Delta S > \Delta H$.

Options:

- (1) $\Delta H > 0$ — **(Wrong)**: tautology, not the criterion.
- (2) $\Delta H < T\Delta S$ — **(Correct)**
- (3) $\Delta H = T\Delta S$ — **(Wrong)**: equilibrium.
- (4) None — **(Wrong)**

Final Answer: (2)

Q11. The spontaneous nature of a reaction is impossible if :

Concept: $\Delta H > 0$ and $\Delta S < 0 \Rightarrow \Delta G > 0$ for all T .

Options:

- (1) $\Delta H = +$, $\Delta S = +$ — **(Wrong)**: high T possible.
- (2) $\Delta H = -$, $\Delta S = -$ — **(Wrong)**: low T possible.
- (3) $\Delta H = -$, $\Delta S = +$ — **(Wrong)**: always possible.
- (4) $\Delta H = +$, $\Delta S = -$ — **(Correct)**: never spontaneous.

Final Answer: (4)

Q12. For a reaction to be non-spontaneous :

Concept: With $\Delta H > 0$, $\Delta S > 0$, non-spontaneous if $T\Delta S < \Delta H$ (i.e., T low).

Options:

- (1) $T\Delta S < \Delta H$ and both + — **(Correct)**
- (2) $T\Delta S > \Delta H$ and both + — **(Wrong)**: that would be spontaneous.
- (3) $T\Delta S > \Delta H$ and both - — **(Wrong)**: signs inconsistent with given text.
- (4) None — **(Wrong)**

Final Answer: (1)

Q13. It is impossible for a reaction to take place if :

Concept: $\Delta H > 0$, $\Delta S < 0 \Rightarrow \Delta G$ always > 0 .

Options:

- (1) $\Delta H = +$, $\Delta S = +$ — **(Wrong)**: high T pe possible.
- (2) $\Delta H = -$, $\Delta S = +$ — **(Wrong)**: very favourable.
- (3) $\Delta H = +$, $\Delta S = -$ — **(Correct)**
- (4) $\Delta H = -$, $\Delta S = -$ — **(Wrong)**: low T pe possible.

Final Answer: (3)

Q14. A reaction occurs spontaneously if :

Concept: $\Delta H > 0$, $\Delta S > 0$ case is spontaneous when $T\Delta S > \Delta H$.

Options:

- (1) $T\Delta S < \Delta H$ and both $+$ — **(Wrong)**: non-spontaneous.
- (2) $T\Delta S > \Delta H$ and both $+$ — **(Correct)**
- (3) $T\Delta S = \Delta H$ and both $+$ — **(Wrong)**: equilibrium.
- (4) $T\Delta S > \Delta H$ with $\Delta H = +$ and $\Delta S = -$ — **(Wrong)**: impossible; signs inconsistent.

Final Answer: (2)

Q15. Which of the following reactions is expected never to be spontaneous :

Concept: If $\Delta H > 0$ and $\Delta S < 0$, then $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S > 0$ for all $T \Rightarrow$ never spontaneous.

Option-by-option:

- (1) $2\text{O}_3(g) \rightarrow 3\text{O}_2(g)$, $\Delta H = -$, $\Delta S = +$ — **(Wrong)**: very favourable.
- (2) $\text{Mg}(s) + \text{H}_2(g) \rightarrow \text{MgH}_2(s)$, $\Delta H = -$, $\Delta S = -$ — **(Wrong)**: low T pe possible.
- (3) $\text{Br}_2(l) \rightarrow \text{Br}_2(g)$, $\Delta H = +$, $\Delta S = +$ — **(Wrong)**: high T pe possible.
- (4) $2\text{Ag}(s) + 3\text{N}_2(g) \rightarrow 2\text{AgN}_3(s)$, $\Delta H = +$, $\Delta S = -$ — **(Correct)**: never.

Final Answer: (4)

Q16. Identify the correct statement regarding a spontaneous process :

Concept: Isolated system ke liye spontaneity $\Rightarrow \Delta S_{\text{system}} = \Delta S_{\text{univ}} > 0$.

Options:

- (1) Isolated spontaneous: ΔS positive — **(Correct)**
- (2) Endothermic never spontaneous — **(Wrong)**: $\Delta S > 0$ and high T par ho sakta hai.
- (3) Exothermic never spontaneous — **(Wrong)**
- (4) Lowering energy never a criterion — **(Wrong)**: $\Delta H < 0$ helps.

Final Answer: (1)

Q17. Which pair is certain to result in spontaneous reaction?

Concept: Most reliable: exothermic ($\Delta H < 0$) & disorder increases ($\Delta S > 0$) $\Rightarrow \Delta G < 0$ at all T .

- (1) Endothermic & decreasing disorder — **(Wrong)**
- (2) Exothermic & increasing disorder — **(Correct)**
- (3) Exothermic & decreasing disorder — **(Wrong)**: low T pe ho bhi sakta hai, “certain” nahi.
- (4) Endothermic & increasing disorder — **(Wrong)**: high T pe ho sakta hai, “certain” nahi.

Final Answer: (2)

Q18. For a reaction to occur spontaneously :

Concept: Constant T, P criterion: $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S < 0$.

- (1) ΔH must be negative — **(Wrong)**: zaroori nahi.
- (2) ΔS must be negative — **(Wrong)**.
- (3) $(\Delta H - T\Delta S)$ must be negative — **(Correct)**
- (4) $(\Delta H + T\Delta S)$ must be negative — **(Wrong)**

Final Answer: (3)

Q19. For an endothermic reaction to be spontaneous :

Concept: Endothermic ($\Delta H > 0$) ko spontaneous banane ke liye $\Delta S > 0$ & $T\Delta S > \Delta H$.

- (1) ΔG must be + — **(Wrong)**
- (2) $\Delta S > 0$ — **(Correct)**
- (3) $T\Delta S$ must be - — **(Wrong)**
- (4) $\Delta S = \Delta G$ — **(Wrong)**

Final Answer: (2)

Q20. Endothermic process for which net entropy change is negative is –

Concept: Net (universe) entropy negative \Rightarrow second law violation \Rightarrow impossible.

- (1) Not possible at any temperature — **(Correct)**
- (2) Possible only at low T — **(Wrong)**
- (3) Possible only at high T — **(Wrong)**
- (4) Possible at high temperature — **(Wrong)**

Final Answer: (1)

Q21. $2A + B \rightarrow C + D - q$ and $\Delta S < 0$: which is correct?

Concept: Exothermic ($\Delta H < 0$) but entropy decreases ($\Delta S < 0$). Spontaneous only at low T (enthalpy-driven).

- (1) Possible at any T — **(Wrong)**
- (2) Only at high T — **(Wrong)**
- (3) Only at low T — **(Correct)**
- (4) Not possible at any T — **(Wrong)**

Final Answer: (3)

Q22. $A + B \rightarrow C + D + q$ with $\Delta S > 0$:

Concept: $\Delta H < 0$ & $\Delta S > 0 \Rightarrow \Delta G < 0$ for all T .

- (1) Possible at high T — **(Wrong)**: actually any T .
- (2) Possible only at low T — **(Wrong)**
- (3) Not possible — **(Wrong)**
- (4) Possible at any T — **(Correct)**

Final Answer: (4)

Q23. ΔG for $H_2O_{(s)} \rightarrow H_2O_{(l)}$ at 1 atm and 260 K:

Concept: $260\text{ K} < 273\text{ K}$, melting non-spontaneous $\Rightarrow \Delta G > 0$.

- (1) < 0 — (Wrong)
- (2) $= 0$ — (Wrong)
- (3) > 0 — (Correct)
- (4) Unpredictable — (Wrong)

Final Answer: (3)

Q24. $\text{H}_2\text{O}(l) \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_2\text{O}(g)$ at 100°C & **1 atm**:

Concept: Boiling point at 1 atm is equilibrium: $\Delta G = 0$. Also for phase change at equilibrium, $\Delta H = T\Delta S$. (Single-correct exams usually key (2).)

- (1) $\Delta S = 0$ — (Wrong)
- (2) $\Delta G = 0$ — (Correct)
- (3) $\Delta H = \Delta E$ — (Wrong)
- (4) $\Delta H = T\Delta S$ — (Wrong) (true at equilibrium, but key asks single-correct; (2) is preferred)

Final Answer: (2)

Q25. **Sign of ΔG for ice melting at 283 K :**

Concept: $283\text{ K} > 273\text{ K}$, melting spontaneous $\Rightarrow \Delta G < 0$.

- (1) $\Delta G = 0$ — (Wrong)
- (2) $\Delta G = \infty$ — (Wrong)
- (3) $\Delta G < 0$ — (Correct)
- (4) None — (Wrong)

Final Answer: (3)

Q26. $\text{H}_2\text{O}(l) \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_2\text{O}(s)$ at 0°C , **1 bar**:

Concept: Fusion point equilibrium $\Rightarrow \Delta G = 0$.

- (1) $\Delta G = 0$ — (Correct)
- (2) $\Delta S = 0$ — (Wrong)
- (3) $\Delta H = 0$ — (Wrong)
- (4) $\Delta U = 0$ — (Wrong)

Final Answer: (1)

Q27. $\text{H}_2\text{O}(l, 1\text{ bar}, 373\text{ K}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}(g, 1\text{ bar}, 373\text{ K})$: **correct set**

Concept: Boiling at 1 bar, 373 K is equilibrium: $\Delta G = 0$, and vapor has higher disorder $\Rightarrow \Delta S > 0$.

- (1) $\Delta G = 0, \Delta S = -$ — (Wrong)
- (2) $\Delta G = 0, \Delta S = +$ — (Correct)
- (3) $\Delta G = +, \Delta S = -$ — (Wrong)
- (4) $\Delta G = -, \Delta S = +$ — (Wrong)

Final Answer: (2)

Q28. **Evaporation of a liquid is accompanied by:**

Concept: Evaporation absorbs heat ($\Delta H > 0$), randomness increases ($\Delta S > 0$), and when it occurs spontaneously under given conditions, $\Delta G < 0$ (system's Gibbs free energy decreases).

- (1) Increase in enthalpy — **(Wrong)** (true but not complete alone)
- (2) Decrease in free energy — **(Wrong)** (true for spontaneous condition, alone not complete)
- (3) Increase in entropy — **(Wrong)** (true but alone not complete)
- (4) All — **(Correct)**

Final Answer: (4)

Q29. A gas expands under reversible adiabatic conditions; what is zero?

Concept: Reversible adiabatic: $\delta q = 0$ and $\Delta S = 0$ (isentropic). $\Delta T \neq 0$ generally.

- (1) $\Delta G = 0$ — **(Wrong)**
- (2) $\Delta T = 0$ — **(Wrong)**
- (3) $\Delta S = 0$ — **(Correct)**
- (4) None — **(Wrong)**

Final Answer: (3)

Q30. For the precipitation of AgCl by Ag^+ and HCl :

Concept: Insoluble salt formation (ionic product $> K_{sp}$) drives precipitation $\Rightarrow \Delta G < 0$.

- (1) $\Delta G = 0$ — **(Wrong)**
- (2) $\Delta G = -$ — **(Correct)**
- (3) $\Delta H = \Delta G$ — **(Wrong)**
- (4) None — **(Wrong)**

Final Answer: (2)