

**Problem 1.53.** Look up the enthalpy of formation of atomic hydrogen in the back of this book. This is the enthalpy change when a mole of atomic hydrogen is formed by dissociating 1/2 mole of molecular hydrogen (the more stable state of the element). From this number, determine the energy needed to dissociate a single  $H_2$  molecule, in electron-volts.

Eg. Problem 1.53

For  $H(g)$   $\Delta_f H = 217.97 \text{ kJ/mole}$   
 (This is taking  $\frac{1}{2}$  mole of  $H_2$  and creating 1 mole of  $H$ ).

$$H_i = U_i + P_i V_i \quad P_i = 1 \text{ atm}$$

$$H_f = U_f + P_f V_f \quad P_f = P_i$$

$$\Delta H = \Delta U + P \Delta V$$

$$\Delta U = \Delta H - P \Delta V$$

what is  $\Delta V$ ?

Ideal gas:  $V_i = \frac{n_i R T_i}{P_i}$ ,  $n_i = \frac{1}{2} \text{ mole}$

$$V_f = \frac{n_f R T_f}{P_f}, \quad n_f = 1 \text{ mole}$$

assume  $T_i = T_f = \text{room temperature}$

$$\therefore \Delta V = (n_f - n_i) \frac{R T_i}{P_i} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{R T_i}{P_i} = V_i$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \Delta U &= \Delta H - p\Delta V \\ &= \Delta H - p_c \cdot \frac{1}{2} \frac{RT_c}{p_c}\end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta U = \Delta H - \frac{1}{2} RT$$

$$\Delta U = \frac{217.97 \times 10^3 \text{ J}}{\text{mole}} \times 1 \text{ mole}$$

$$- \left( \frac{1}{2} \text{ mole} \right) (8.314 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}) (300 \text{ K})$$

$$\Delta U = 216.7 \times 10^3 \text{ J for } \frac{1}{2} \text{ mole}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\Delta U}{\text{molecule}} &= \frac{216.7 \times 10^3 \text{ J}}{6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ molecules} \times \frac{1}{2}} \times \frac{1 \text{ eV}}{1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}} \\ &= 4.5 \text{ eV}\end{aligned}$$

Problem 1.51 (HW, Glucose)



The  $\Delta H_f$  in the back of the book is for creating 1 mole of substance from its stable elemental constituents.

What is the net effect?

LHS: Imagine breaking sugar down into C, H<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>. What  $\Delta H$  is required?

RHS: forming CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O, get  $\Delta H$  back. What's the net?