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Homework #2 Due Wednesday February 1, 2017

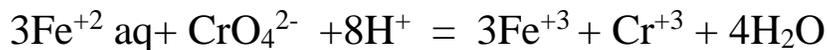
Problems from Textbook on Units

Problem 5-2

Problem 5-4

Problem 5-6

4. An engineer plans to treat a chromium waste in a concrete tank. A chemist friend pointed out that chromium could cause deterioration of the concrete according to the following reaction:



Loss of iron from the concrete can produce a porous concrete. Can this reaction occur and impact the concrete?

You can find relevant information for chromium at

[http://www.dipteris.unige.it/geochimica/Pesto/Cr\(VI\)%20by%20PESTO.pdf](http://www.dipteris.unige.it/geochimica/Pesto/Cr(VI)%20by%20PESTO.pdf)

5. *Acidithiobacillus ferrooxidans* is an iron oxidizing bacteria that oxidizes ferrous iron (to obtain energy for growth) to ferric iron as follows:

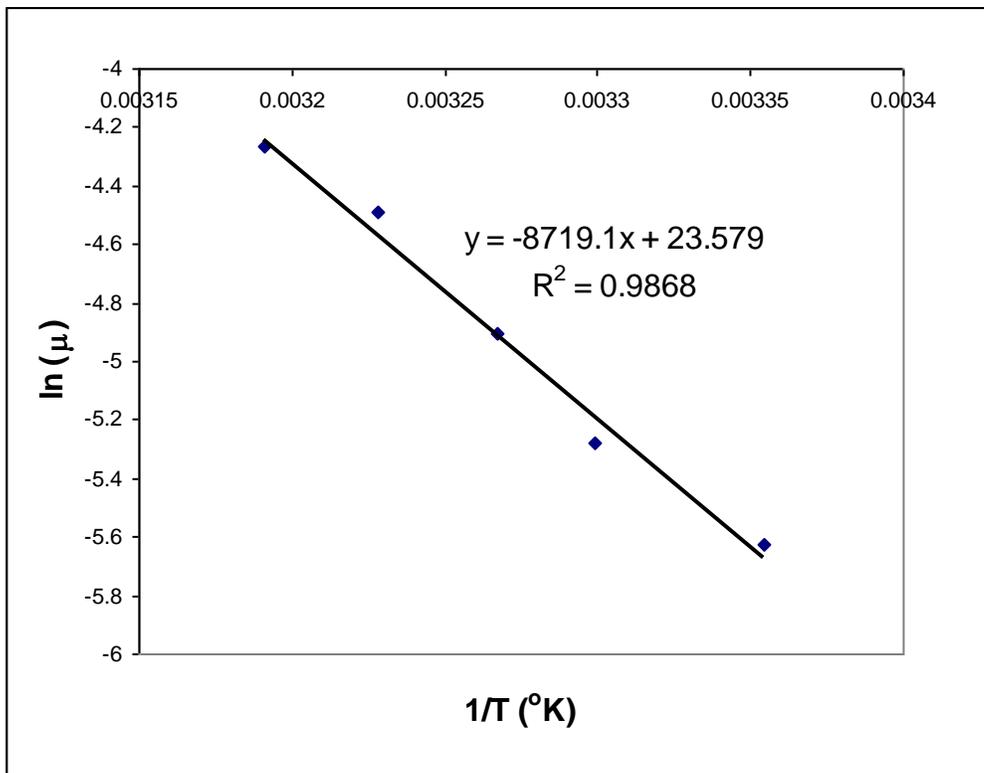


Using the Gibbs Free energy values prove that this reaction is feasible in nature. The bacteria use carbon dioxide as a carbon source.

6. The following data was obtained for conducting experiments on the effect of temperature on the growth rate of a certain bacterial species on an organic pollutant.

Temp °C (T)	$\mu$ Growth rate (hr-1)
40.4	0.014
36.8	0.0112
33.1	0.0074
30.1	0.0051
25.1	0.0036

The following plot was obtained from the above data to determine the activation energy  $E_a$  and Arrhenius constant A. What are the values and units of these parameters?



**Given**

**Arrhenius Equation  $\mu = Ae^{-E_a/RT}$**

**R universal gas constant = 1.987 cal mol<sup>-1</sup> K<sup>-1</sup>**

**Units of  $E_a$  = cal/mole and A = hr<sup>-1</sup>**

**TABLE 3-1 Thermodynamic Constants for Species of Importance in Water Chemistry.<sup>a</sup>**

Species	$\Delta H_f^\circ$ kcal/mole	$\Delta G_f^\circ$ kcal/mole
$\text{Ca}_{(aq)}^{2+}$	-129.77	-132.18
$\text{CaCO}_{3(s)}$ , calcite	-288.45	-269.78
$\text{CaO}_{(s)}$	-151.9	-144.4
$\text{C}_{(s)}$ , graphite	0	0
$\text{CO}_{2(g)}$	-94.05	-94.26
$\text{CO}_{2(aq)}$	-98.69	-92.31
$\text{CH}_{4(g)}$	-17.889	-12.140
$\text{H}_2\text{CO}_{3(aq)}^*$	-167.0	-149.00
$\text{HCO}_{3(aq)}^-$	-165.18	-140.31
$\text{CO}_{3(aq)}^{2-}$	-161.63	-126.22
$\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-$ , acetate	-116.84	-89.0
$\text{H}_{(aq)}^+$	0	0
$\text{H}_{2(g)}$	0	0
$\text{Fe}_{(aq)}^{2+}$	-21.0	-20.30
$\text{Fe}_{(aq)}^{3+}$	-11.4	-2.52
$\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_{3(s)}$	-197.0	-166.0
$\text{Mn}_{(aq)}^{2+}$	-53.3	-54.4
$\text{MnO}_{2(s)}$	-124.2	-111.1
$\text{Mg}_{(aq)}^{2+}$	-110.41	-108.99
$\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_{2(s)}$	-221.00	-199.27
$\text{NO}_{3(aq)}^-$	-49.372	-26.43
$\text{NH}_{3(g)}$	-11.04	-3.976
$\text{NH}_{3(aq)}$	-19.32	-6.37
$\text{NH}_4^+$	-31.74	-19.00
$\text{HNO}_{3(aq)}$	-49.372	-26.41
$\text{O}_{2(aq)}$	-3.9	3.93
$\text{O}_{2(g)}$	0	0
$\text{OH}_{(aq)}^-$	-54.957	-37.595
$\text{H}_2\text{O}_{(g)}$	-57.7979	-54.6357
$\text{H}_2\text{O}_{(l)}$	-68.3174	-56.690
$\text{SO}_4^-(aq)$	-216.90	-177.34
$\text{HS}_{(aq)}^-$	-4.22	3.01
$\text{H}_2\text{S}_{(g)}$	-4.815	-7.892
$\text{H}_2\text{S}_{(aq)}$	-9.4	-6.54

Source. Condensed from the listing of R. M. Garrels and C. L. Christ, *Solutions, Minerals, and Equilibria*, Harper & Row, New York, 1965; and *Handbook of Chemistry and Physics*, Chemical Rubber Publishing Company, Cleveland, Ohio.

<sup>a</sup> For a hypothetical ideal state of unit molality, which is approximately equal to that of unit molarity.