

## 2023 FALL Semester Mid-term Examination

### For General Chemistry II

**Date: October 16(Mon), Time Limit: 13:00 ~ 15:00**

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Problem	points	Problem	points	TOTAL pts
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\*\* This paper consists of 20 sheets with 10 problems (*page 18 - 19*: Equation, constants & periodic table, *page 20*: claim form). Please check all page numbers before taking the exam. Write down your work and answers in the Answer sheet. Please write down the unit of your answer when applicable. You will get 30% deduction for a missing unit.

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### 1. Period, Location and Procedure

0 Return and Claim Period: **October 23 (Monday, 19:00 ~ 21:00, 2 hrs)**

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0 Location: Each designated room of Creative Learning Bldg. (E11)

Class	Room(E11)
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## 0 Procedure

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*Rule 2: With or without claim, you must submit the paper back to TA. (Do not go out of the room with it)*

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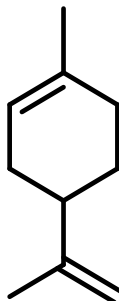
If you deliberately alter any original answers or insert something on your marked paper to achieve a better grade, you will get a F grade for this course. Or if you don't keep the rules above, we will regard it as a kind of cheating and give you 0 point. So please don't cheat.

## 2. Final Confirmation

- 1) Period: ***October 26(Thu.) ~ 27(Fri.)***
- 2) Procedure: During this period, you can check the final score of the examination *on the website* again.  
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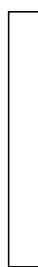
**1. (total 10 pts)**

Limonene is a colorless liquid aliphatic hydrocarbon classified as a cyclic monoterpene and is the major component in the oil of citrus fruit peels. Limonene has the molecular formula of  $C_{10}H_{16}$  and the following chemical structure. The R-isomer, occurring more commonly in nature as the fragrance of oranges, is a flavoring agent in food manufacturing.



(a) Identify the chiral carbon center(s). (4 pts)

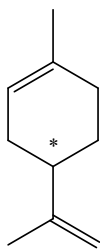
(b) Draw the optical isomers of limonene showing the 3D structure for chiral carbon center(s). (6 pts)



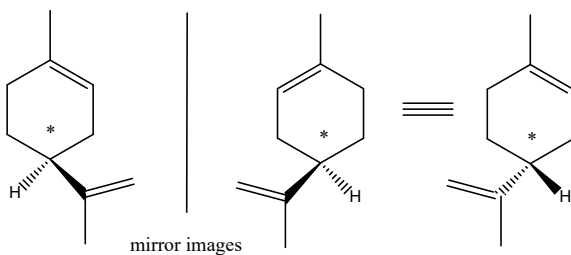
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(Answer)

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## 2. (total 12 pts)

Draw the structures of ethane, ethene, and acetylene with proper bond angles and explain their bonding by the valence bond (VB) model with orbital hybridization.

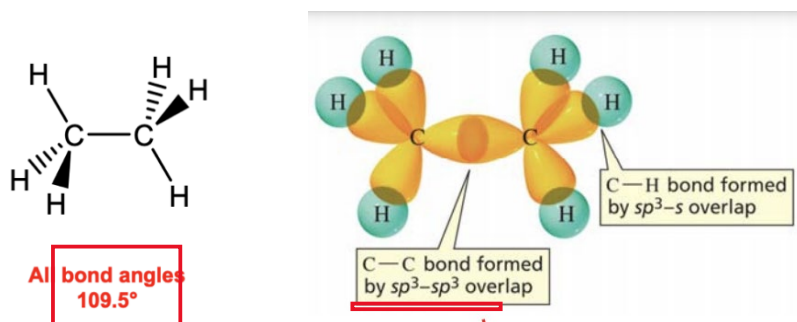
(a) Ethane (4 pts)

(b) Ethene (4 pts)

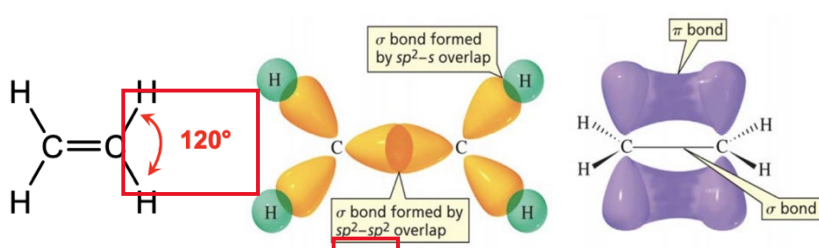
(c) Acetylene (4 pts)

(Answer)

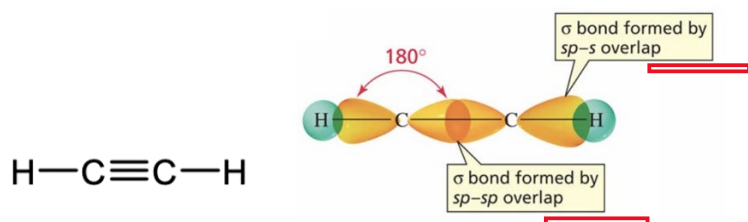
(a) Ethane



(b) Ethene



(c) Acetylene



### 3. (total 12 pts)

(1) Consider trans-1,3-butadiene.

(1-a) What is the total number of valence electrons? (4 pts)

How many valence electrons are involved in  $\sigma$  – and  $\pi$  – bonds?

(1-b) Draw a schematic diagram of HOMO and LUMO. (6 pts)

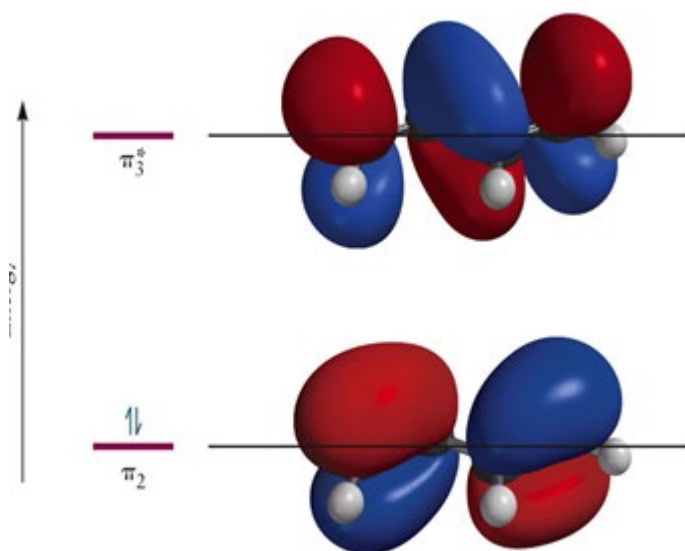
(2) Benzene exhibits greater stability than 1,3,5-hexatriene. Explain this phenomenon by identifying which molecule has the larger HOMO-LUMO energy gap. (2 pts)

#### Answer

(1-a) 4 pts

22 valence electrons, sigma bonds: 18 electrons, pi bonds: 4 electrons

(1-b) 6 pts (3 each)



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(2)

Benzene's pi orbitals are more delocalized than those of the linear molecule, 1,3,5-hexatriene. Thus, the bonding and antibonding interactions of benzene are greater than those of 1,3,5-hexatriene. Therefore, the HOMO-LUMO gap of benzene is greater than that of 1,3,5-hexatriene. This means that a greater energy is required to perturb the bonds of benzene than those of 1,3,5-hexatriene, and thus benzene is chemically more stable.

#### 4. (Total 6 pts)

Complete electron configurations and fill in the blanks related to energy level structures and crystal field stabilization energies for high and low spin octahedral complexes.

Example		(a) $\text{Mn}^{2+}$	(b) $\text{Ni}^{3+}$	(c) $\text{Ti}^{2+}$
d-orbital electron configuration				
<b>HIGH SPIN</b>	Energy diagram	$e_g$ — — $t_{2g}$ — — —	$e_g$ — — $t_{2g}$ — — —	$e_g$ — — $t_{2g}$ — — —
	CFSE			
<b>LOW SPIN</b>	Energy diagram	$e_g$ — — $t_{2g}$ — — —	$e_g$ — — $t_{2g}$ — — —	$e_g$ — — $t_{2g}$ — — —
	CFSE			

[Solution] (1 pt each)

TABLE 8.5

Electron Configurations and Crystal Field Stabilization Energies for High- and Low-Spin Octahedral Complexes

Configuration	$d^1$	$d^2$	$d^3$	$d^4$	$d^5$	$d^6$	$d^7$	$d^8$	$d^9$	$d^{10}$
Examples	$\text{Ti}^{3+}$	$\text{Ti}^{2+}, \text{V}^{3+}$	$\text{V}^{2+}, \text{Cr}^{3+}$	$\text{Cr}^{2+}, \text{Mn}^{3+}$	$\text{Mn}^{2+}, \text{Fe}^{3+}$	$\text{Fe}^{2+}, \text{Co}^{3+}$	$\text{Co}^{2+}, \text{Ni}^{3+}$	$\text{Ni}^{2+}, \text{Pt}^{2+}$	$\text{Cu}^{2+}$	$\text{Zn}^{2+}$
<b>HIGH SPIN</b>	$e_g$	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —
	$t_{2g}$	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —
	CFSE	$-\frac{2}{5} \Delta_o$	$-\frac{4}{5} \Delta_o$	$-\frac{6}{5} \Delta_o$	$-\frac{8}{5} \Delta_o$	$-\frac{10}{5} \Delta_o$	$-\frac{12}{5} \Delta_o$	$-\frac{14}{5} \Delta_o$	$-\frac{16}{5} \Delta_o$	$-\frac{18}{5} \Delta_o$
<b>LOW SPIN</b>	$e_g$	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —
	$t_{2g}$	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —
	CFSE	Same as high spin	Same as high spin	Same as high spin	Same as high spin	Same as high spin	Same as high spin	Same as high spin	Same as high spin	Same as high spin

CFSE, Crystal field stabilization energies.

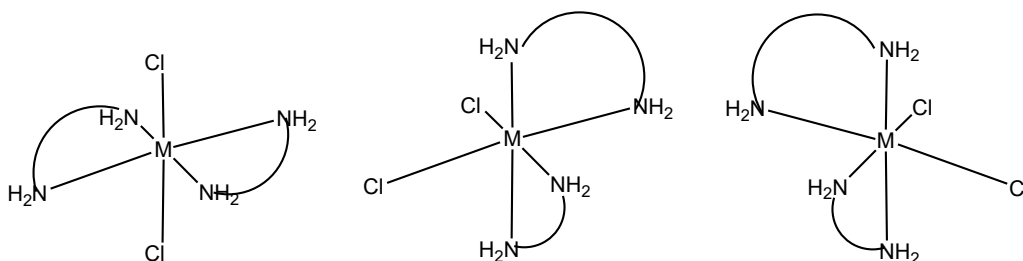
### 5. (Total 14 pts)

The octahedral complex  $[\text{CoCl}_2(\text{en})_2]\text{Cl}$  is a low-spin complex.

- 1) Name this compound
- 2) What is the coordination number of the complex and the oxidation state of the cobalt?
- 3) Determine the d-electron configuration of the cobalt.
- 4) Calculate the crystal field stabilization energy (CFSE) of this complex.
- 5) Does the complex have paramagnetic or diamagnetic properties?
- 6) If 3 mol of  $\text{AgNO}_3$  were added to the 1 mol of the above complex, how many mol of  $\text{AgCl}$  is produced?
- 7) Draw all possible stereoisomers of the complex.

(Answer)

- 1) Dichlorobis(ethylenediamine) Cobalt (III) chloride
- 2) Coordination No = 6, oxidation state = +3
- 3)  $d^6$  complex, 6 electrons in  $t_{2g}$
- 4) CFSE = - 12/5
- 5) Diamagnetic
- 6) 1 mol
- 7) three isomers



## 6. (Total 10 pts)

The octahedral complex ions  $[\text{FeF}_6]^{3-}$ ,  $[\text{Fe}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{3+}$ , and  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  are all paramagnetic. But  $[\text{FeF}_6]^{3-}$  and  $[\text{Fe}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{3+}$  are high spin and the  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  is low spin. Answer each question below.

- Draw an orbital energy-level diagram for each octahedral complex ion (show how to get the oxidation numbers for Fe ions in each complex). (3 pts)
- Predict the number of unpaired electrons for each complex. (3 pts)
- Place which of the complexes has the shorter absorption  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  in order and explain your answer. (4 pts)

### [Solution]

(a) \* Electron configuration of Fe:  $[\text{Ar}] 3d^6 4s^2$

\* The oxidation numbers of  $[\text{FeF}_6]^{3-}$ ,  $[\text{Fe}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{3+}$ , and  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  molecules

$$[\text{FeF}_6]^{3-} : x + 6(-1) = -3, \quad x = +3$$

$$[\text{Fe}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{3+} : x + 6(0) = +3, \quad x = +3$$

$$[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-} : x + 6(-1) = -3, \quad x = +3$$

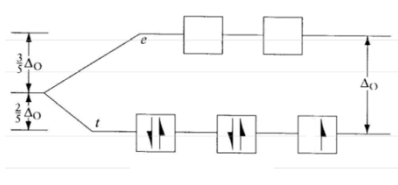
\* Electron configuration of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ :  $[\text{Ar}] 3d^5 \rightarrow 5 \text{ d electrons}$

\* The orbital energy-level diagrams of  $[\text{FeF}_6]^{3-}$  and  $[\text{Fe}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{3+}$

\* The configuration of *d*-electrons:  $t_{2g}^3 e_g^2$

\* The orbital energy-level diagram of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$

\* The configuration of *d*-electrons:  $t_{2g}^5$

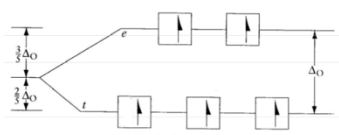


(b) The number of unpaired electrons and the magnetic property of  $[\text{FeF}_6]^{3-}$ ,  $[\text{Fe}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{3+}$ , and  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$

$[\text{FeF}_6]^{3-}$  : 5 unpaired electrons  $\rightarrow$  paramagnetic

$[\text{Fe}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{3+}$  : 5 unpaired electrons  $\rightarrow$  paramagnetic

$[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  : 1 unpaired electron  $\rightarrow$  paramagnetic





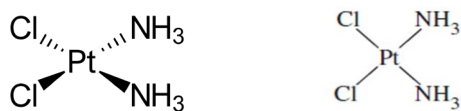
(c)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  has the strongest field ligands of the three complexes; thus, its energy levels are split by the greatest amount. The energy of the light absorbed should be greatest, and  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  should be the shortest for this ion.  $\lambda_{\text{max}} : [\text{FeF}_6]^{3-} > [\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3-} > [\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$

**7. (Total 6 pts – 2 pts each)**

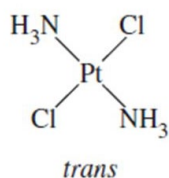
Draw (i) the structure of the first member platinum-containing anti-cancer drug and (ii) the structure of its geometric isomer that does not show any anti-cancer activity. (iii) Indicate the d-orbital electron configuration of the platinum-containing anti-cancer drug.

**[Solution]**

**(i) Square planar geometry**



**(ii) trans isomer (name: Transplatin)**

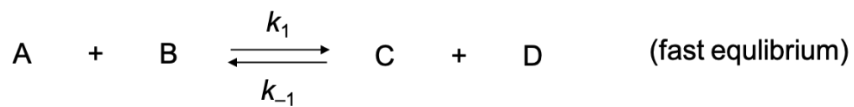


**(ii) d<sup>8</sup>**

8. (Total 8 pts)

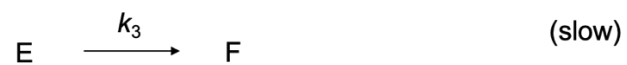
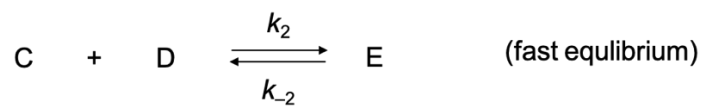
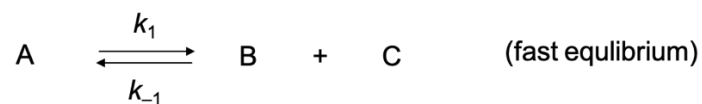
Write the overall reaction and rate laws that correspond to the following reaction mechanisms. Be sure to eliminate intermediates from the answers.

(a)



$$\text{rate} = k_1 k_2 [\text{A}][\text{B}][\text{E}] / k_{-1} [\text{D}] \quad (2 \text{ pts})$$

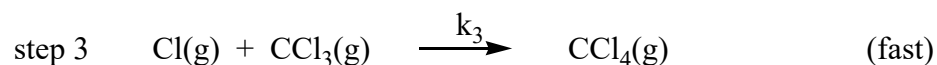
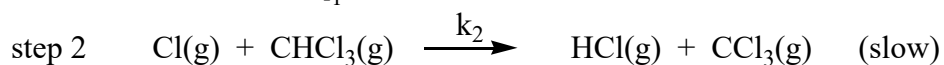
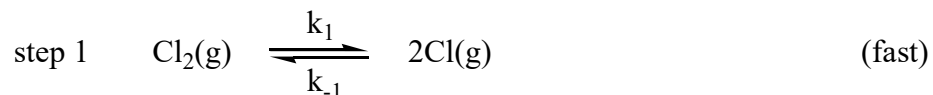
(b)



$$\text{rate} = k_1 k_2 k_3 [\text{A}][\text{D}] / k_{-1} k_{-2} [\text{B}] \quad (2 \text{ pts})$$

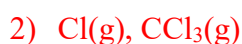
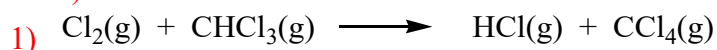
### 9. (Total 12 pts)

The following mechanism has been proposed for the gas phase reaction of chloroform and chlorine.



- 1) What is the overall reaction? (2 pts)
- 2) What are the intermediates in the mechanism? (2 pts)
- 3) What is the molecularity of each of the elementary steps? (2 pts)
- 4) What is the rate determining step? (2 pts)
- 5) What is the rate law and overall order of the reaction predicted by this mechanism? (4 pts)

(Answer)



3) step 1: unimolecular, step 2: bimolecular, step 3: bimolecular

4) step 2

5)  $\text{Rate} = k_2[\text{CHCl}_3][\text{Cl}]$

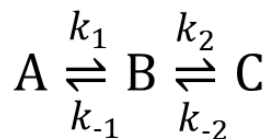
$$K_1[\text{Cl}_2] = k_{-1}[\text{Cl}]^2, [\text{Cl}] = \{k_1/k_{-1} [\text{Cl}_2]\}^{1/2}$$

$$\text{Rate} = k_2(k_1/k_{-1})^{1/2} [\text{CHCl}_3][\text{Cl}_2]^{1/2}$$

Overall order is 1.5

## 10. (Total 10 pts)

Let's consider the following equilibrium.



Suppose the equilibrium between A and B and the equilibrium between B and C are elementary reactions. For simplicity, we assume first-order kinetics for both forward and reverse reactions.  $k_1 = 10^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{-1} = 10^8 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_2 = 10^9 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{-2} = 10^4 \text{ s}^{-1}$ .

(a) Calculate the equilibrium constant for the equilibrium  $A \rightleftharpoons C$ . (2 pts)

(b) Utilize the Arrhenius equation to compute  $\Delta G_1$  and  $\Delta G_2$  for the reactions  $A \rightleftharpoons B$  and  $B \rightleftharpoons C$ , respectively, while expressing these  $\Delta G$  values in terms of the RT unit. Assume that the pre-exponential factors for both the forward and reverse reactions are the same. Determine which molecules A, B, C possess the highest and lowest energies. Does this energy ranking align with statement (a)? (8 pts)

**Answer:**

(a) Since the reaction reached the equilibrium, the forward and reverse reactions have identical rates.

$$\therefore k_1[A] = k_{-1}[B] \text{ and } k_2[B] = k_{-2}[C]$$

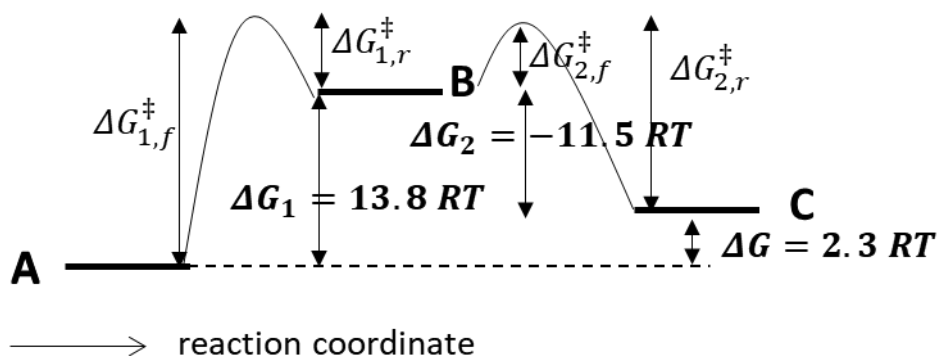
$$\text{The equilibrium constant of the overall reaction } K = [C]/[A] = \frac{\frac{k_2[B]}{k_{-2}[B]}}{\frac{k_{-1}[B]}{k_1[A]}} = \frac{k_2}{k_{-2}} \frac{k_1}{k_{-1}} = 0.1$$

(b) For  $A \rightleftharpoons B$ ,  $k_1 = A_1 e^{-\Delta G_{1,f}^\ddagger/RT}$  &  $k_{-1} = A_1 e^{-\Delta G_{1,r}^\ddagger/RT}$  and thus  $\frac{k_1}{k_{-1}} = e^{-(\Delta G_{1,f}^\ddagger - \Delta G_{1,r}^\ddagger)/RT} = e^{-\Delta G_1/RT}$

Thus,  $\Delta G_1 = -RT \ln(10^{-6}) = +13.8 RT$  (2 pts)

Similarly for  $B \rightleftharpoons C$ ,  $k_2 = A_2 e^{-\Delta G_{2,f}^\ddagger/RT}$  &  $k_{-2} = A_2 e^{-\Delta G_{2,r}^\ddagger/RT}$  and thus  $\frac{k_2}{k_{-2}} = e^{-(\Delta G_{2,f}^\ddagger - \Delta G_{2,r}^\ddagger)/RT} = e^{-\Delta G_2/RT}$ . Thus,  $\Delta G_2 = -RT \ln(10^5) = -11.5 RT$  (2 pts)

Therefore, the energy profile for the overall reaction is



**B has the highest energy and A has the lowest energy. (2 pt)**

**From (a),  $[C]=0.1[A] \Rightarrow$  C has a higher energy than A and thus less population of C exists in the equilibrium. Or you can also confirm  $\Delta G = -RT \ln K$ . (2 pt)**

## Physical Constants

Avogadro's number	$N_A = 6.02214179 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
Bohr radius	$a_0 = 0.52917720859 \text{ \AA} = 5.2917720859 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}$
Boltzmann's constant	$K_B = 1.3806504 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$
Electronic charge	$e = 1.602176487 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
Faraday constant	$F = 96485.3399 \text{ C mol}^{-1}$
Masses of fundamental particles:	
Electron	$m_e = 9.10938215 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
Proton	$m_p = 1.672621637 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Neutron	$m_n = 1.674927211 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Permittivity of vacuum	$\epsilon_0 = 8.854187817 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^{-2} \text{ J}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1}$
Planck's constant	$h = 6.62606896 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$
The ratio of proton mass to electron mass	$m_p / m_e = 1836.15267247$
Speed of light in a vacuum	$c = 2.99792458 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ (exactly)
Standard acceleration of terrestrial gravity	$g = 9.80665 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ (exactly)
Universal gas constant	$R = 8.314472 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ $= 0.0820574 \text{ L atm mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$

Values are taken from the 2006 CODATA recommended values, as listed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

## Conversion factors

Ångström	$1 \text{ \AA} = 10^{-10} \text{ m}$
Atomic mass unit	$1 \text{ u} = 1.660538782 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ $1 \text{ u} = 1.492417830 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J} = 931.494028 \text{ MeV}$ (energy equivalent form $E = mc^2$ )
Calorie	$1 \text{ cal} = 4.184 \text{ J}$ (exactly)
Electron volt	$1 \text{ eV} = 1.602177 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J} = 96.485335 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$
Foot	$1 \text{ ft} = 12 \text{ in} = 0.3048 \text{ m}$ (exactly)
Gallon (U. S.)	$1 \text{ gallon} = 4 \text{ quarts} = 3.785412 \text{ L}$ (exactly)
Liter	$1 \text{ L} = 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3 = 10^3 \text{ cm}^3$ (exactly)
Liter-atmosphere	$1 \text{ L atm} = 101.325 \text{ J}$ (exactly)
Metric ton	$1 \text{ t} = 1000 \text{ kg}$ (exactly)
Pound	$1 \text{ lb} = 16 \text{ oz} = 0.4539237 \text{ kg}$ (exactly)
Rydberg	$1 \text{ Ry} = 2.17987197 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J} = 1312.7136 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} = 13.60569193 \text{ eV}$
Standard atmosphere	$1 \text{ atm} = 1.01325 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa} = 1.01325 \times 10^5 \text{ kg m}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-2}$ (exactly)
Torr	$1 \text{ torr} = 133.3224 \text{ Pa}$



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