

FactSage Practical

MSE302

Practical 2. Reaction Module

Basics

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Reaction Module

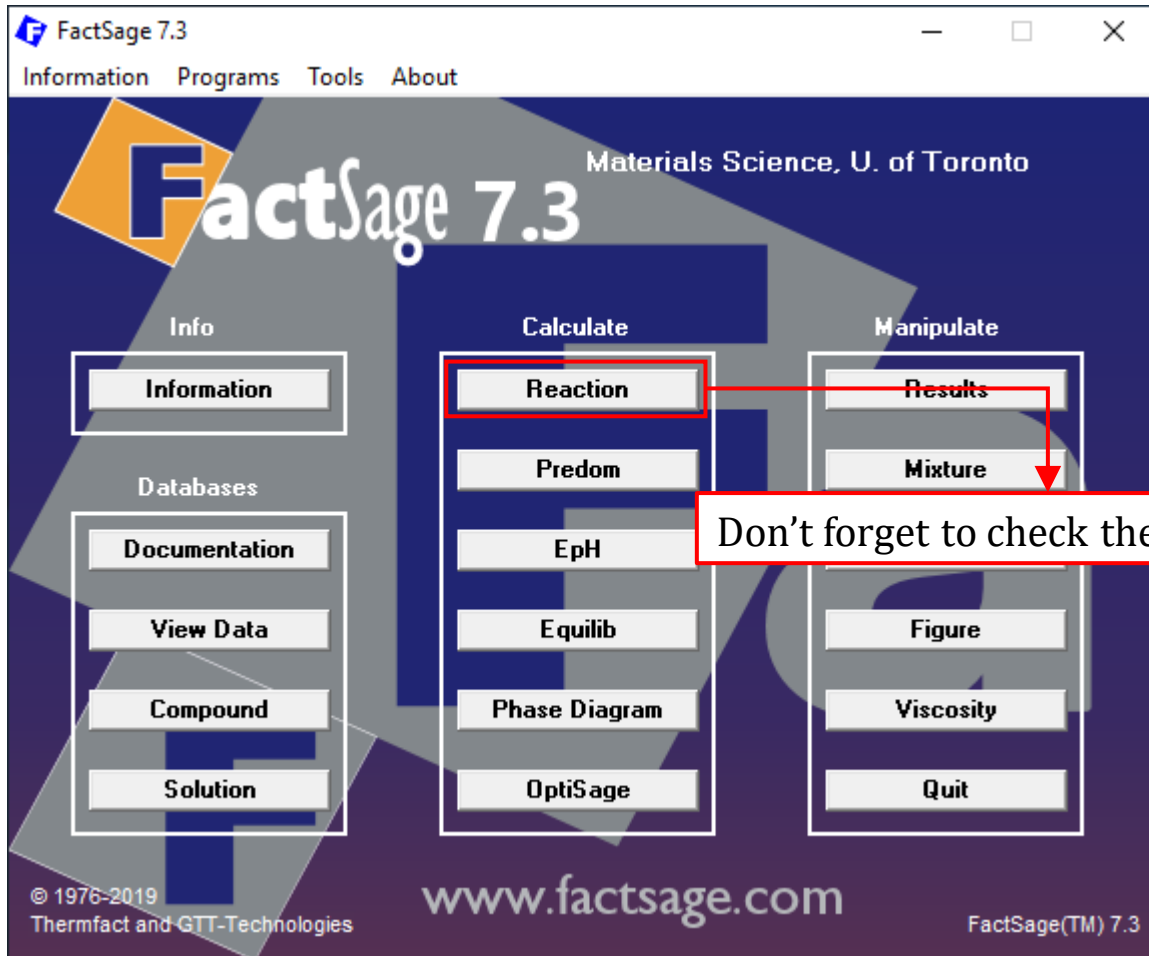
The **Reaction** Module can do the following:

- ✓ **Reaction** calculates the thermodynamic properties of a **species** ($C_{P,i}$, H_i , S_i , V_i , G_i) at given temperature and pressure.
- ✓ **Reaction** calculates the thermodynamic properties of a **mixture of species** (mechanical mixture or solution) (C_P , H , S , V , G) at given temperature and pressure.
- ✓ **Reaction** calculates the thermodynamic properties of a **chemical reaction** ($\Delta_r C_P$, $\Delta_r h$, $\Delta_r S$, $\Delta_r v$, $\Delta_r g$) at given temperature and pressure.

Alert:

- ✓ **Reaction** accesses **both** compound and solution databases.
- ✓ **Reaction** assumes all gases are ideal and ignores expansivities and compressibilities of solids and liquids.

Reaction Module



Run the "Reaction" Module

Reaction Module

A Note on **Pressure**:

- ✓ For a gas phase, **Pressure** is its partial pressure.
- ✓ For a condensed phase (solid, liquid or aqueous), **Pressure** is the hydrostatic pressure (unimportant except at very high pressures).
- ✓ All the species may have the same or different pressure.

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A Note on Pressure:

The screenshot shows the 'Reaction - Reactants' window in FactSage 7.3. A 'Pressure' dialog box is open, providing information about pressure settings. The dialog box contains the following text:

Pressure

For a gas phase, this is its partial pressure. For a condensed phase (solid, liquid or aqueous) this is the hydrostatic pressure (unimportant except at very high pressures). All the species may have the same or different pressures.

Enter a numerical value (ex: 0.5 or 1.123e-10, 1.0 for the standard state) if the pressure is constant.

Specify "P" if the pressure of a species is to be calculated or entered later in the Tabular Output.

OK

*** For a gas species, P(atm/bar/psi) is its ideal partial pressure. For a liquid or solid, P is the hydrostatic pressure above the phase. Select 'apply volume data' to include molar volume and compressibility data in the 'VdP' term - this does not apply to gases which are treated as ideal.

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The background window shows a table with columns: T(K), P(atm), Energy(J), Quantity(mol), Vol(litre). The 'P(atm)' column has three rows, each with a value of 1.0. A red box highlights the 'P(atm)**' column header and the first two rows of the table. A red arrow points from this box to a text box on the right.

Hover your mouse near "P(atm)", and right click. Then you will see the explanation about Pressure. This is a very useful feature of FactSage. Try this about Activity and, Temperature, Phase...

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Clear the Reactants:

Reaction - Reactants

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- Add a new Reactant Ctrl+R
- Add a new Product Ctrl+P
- Insert new reactant before ...
- Delete reactant ...
- Delete all blank reactants
- Mixtures and Streams >
- Reorder the reactants >
- Export list of reactants >
- Clear**
- Example

Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
most stable	T	1.0		
most stable	T	1.0		

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For a liquid or solid, P is the hydrostatic pressure above the phase.
Select 'apply volume data' to include molar volume and compressibility data in the 'VdP' term - this does not apply to gases which are treated as ideal.

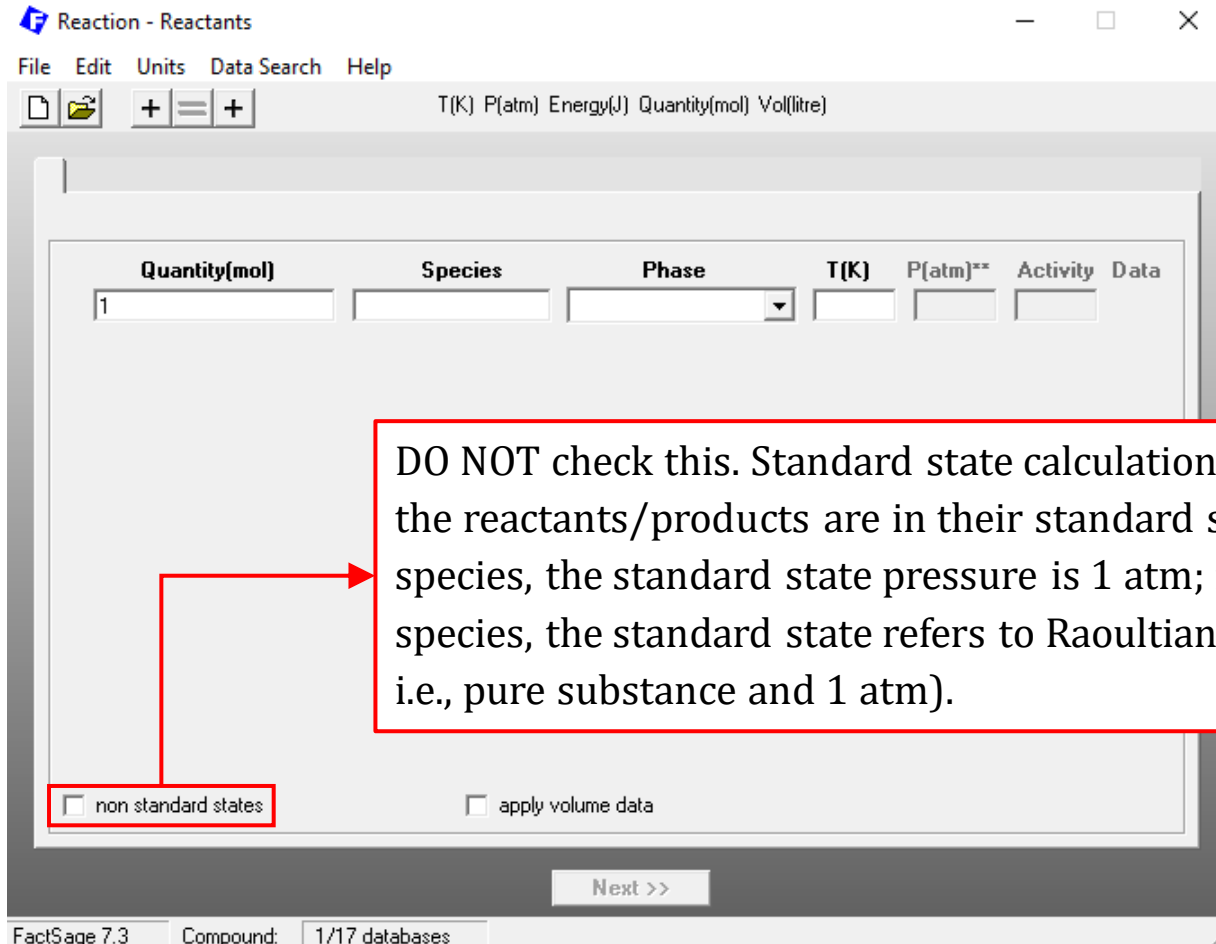
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Let us first perform **standard state** calculations.



Reaction - Reactants

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T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
1						

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DO NOT check this. Standard state calculations mean that all the reactants/products are in their standard state (for a gas species, the standard state pressure is 1 atm; for a condensed species, the standard state refers to Raoultian standard state, i.e., pure substance and 1 atm).

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Reactants Window: define a reaction using “Edit”

The screenshot shows the 'Reaction - Reactants' window in FactSage 7.3. The 'Edit' menu is open, highlighting several options: 'Add a new Reactant' (Ctrl+R), 'Add a new Product' (Ctrl+P), and 'Delete reactant ...'. A red arrow points from the 'Edit' menu to a text box that says 'Use “Edit” to define a reaction.' The window also features a table with columns for Phase, T(K), P(atm)**, Activity, and Data, and checkboxes for 'non standard states' and 'apply volume data'. A 'Next >>' button is located at the bottom of the window.

Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data

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Reactants Window: define a reaction using “+”

The screenshot shows the 'New Reaction' window in FactSage 7.3. The window title is 'New Reaction'. The menu bar includes 'File', 'Edit', 'Units', 'Data Search', and 'Help'. The toolbar contains icons for file operations and two '+' buttons. The main area features a table with the following columns: 'Quantity(mol)', 'Species', 'Phase', 'T(K)', 'P(atm)**', and 'Activity'. The 'Quantity(mol)' column contains the value '1'. Below the table are two checkboxes: 'non standard states' and 'apply volume data'. A 'Next >>' button is located at the bottom of the window. The status bar at the bottom left shows 'FactSage 7.3' and 'Compound: 1/17 databases'. Red boxes and arrows highlight the 'New Reaction' title, the '+' buttons, and the table headers.

Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
1						

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Reactants Window: set the Units

Reaction - Reactants

File Edit **Units** Data Search Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Units: T(K), P(atm), Energy(J), Quantity(mol), Vol(litre)

Temperature
 Kelvin, K
 Celsius, °C
 Fahrenheit, °F

Pressure
 bar
 atm
 psi
 Pa
 GPa

Energy
 J
 cal
 Btu
 kwh

Quantity
 mol
 g
 lb
 kg
 tonne

Volume
 litre (dm3)
 ft3
Volume units are set by pressure units.

Universal gas constant:
R = 8.314510 J/mol-K
= 8.314510/4.184 = 1.98722... cal/mol-K
= 22.4141/273.15 = 0.0820578... l-atm/mol-K

Cancel SI Eng OK

Click on "Units"

Or click at this region

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Reaction Module: Pure Cu

Reactants Window: choose the database

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File Edit Units Data Search Help

Choose Database

Data Search

Databases - 1/14 compound databases, 0/15 solution databases

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FactPS FScomp BINS EXAM

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FTsalt FSstel SGTE

FTmisc FSups SGsold

FTball Clear All

FT0xCN Add/Remove Data

FTfritz Other RefreshDatabases

FThelg ELEM SGnobl

FTpulp FTdemo SpMCBN

FTlite FTnucl TDmeph

TDnucl

Information - Reaction only accesses COMPOUND databases
Reaction only accesses COMPOUND databases

Options - search for product species

Include compounds

gaseous ions (plasmas)

aqueous species

limited data compounds (25C)

Organic species CxHy..., X(max) = 2

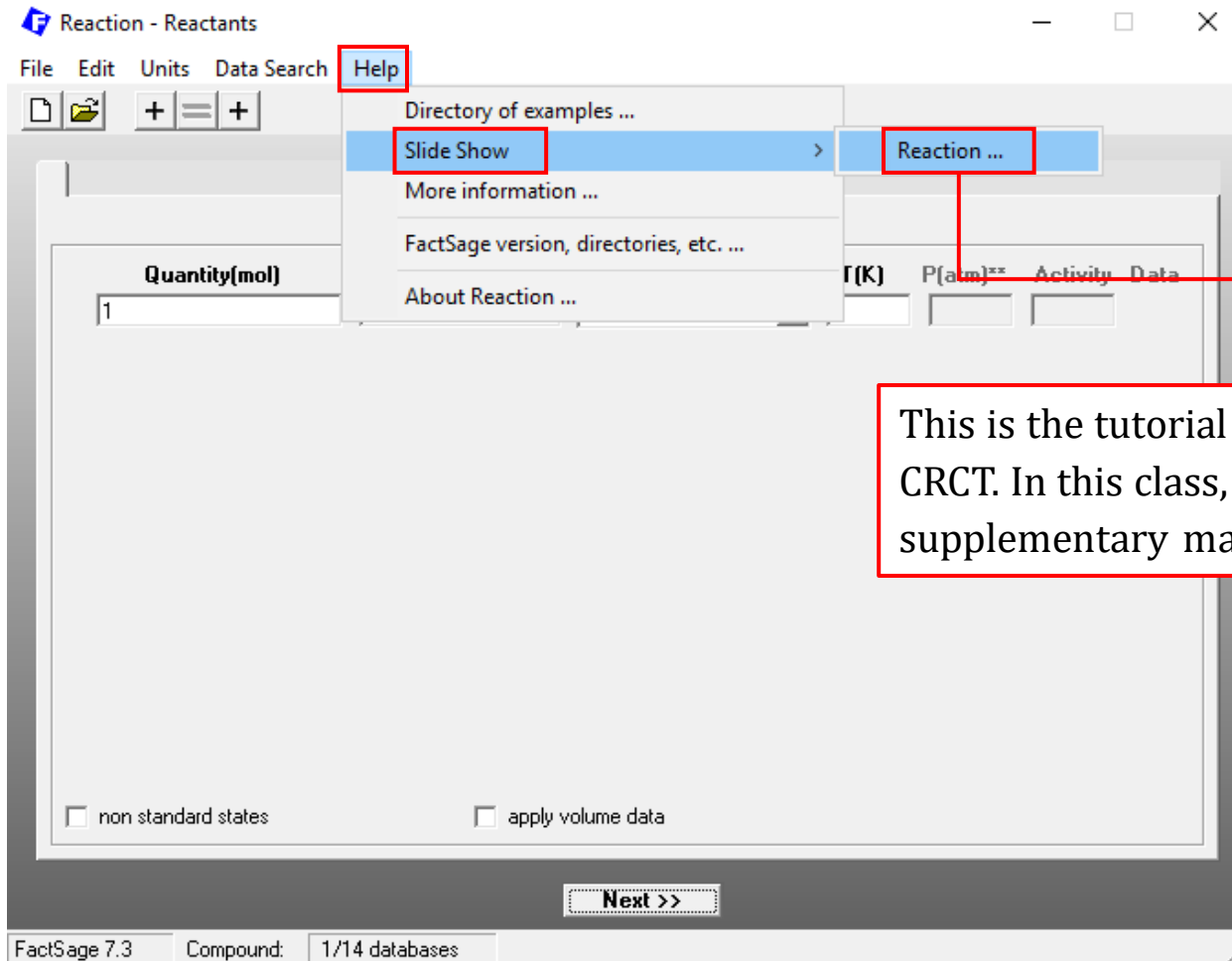
Minimum solution components: 1 2 cpts

Cancel Summary ... OK

The **first example** we will be discussing is to calculate the thermodynamic properties of pure Cu. Therefore, FactPS can be used for this purpose.

Reaction Module: Pure Cu

Reactants Window: Help Document



This is the tutorial document provided by CRCT. In this class, we use this as the supplementary material.

Reaction Module: Pure Cu

Reactants Window: Set Reactants (Phase and Temperature)

Reaction - Reactants

File Edit Units Data Search Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
1	Cu	most stable	T			

Quantity(mol): 1

Species: Cu

Phase: most stable

T(K): T

P(atm)**:

Activity:

Data:

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Temperature

This is the temperature of the species. All the species may have the same or different temperatures.

If the temperature is a fixed known value, then enter its numerical value here (ex: 298.15 or 1000).

If the temperature is to be calculated or entered later in the tabular Output, specify 'T'.

If the reaction is isothermal, specify 'T' throughout - this also causes the equilibrium constant, Keq, to be listed.

Click with the mouse-right-button to convert temperature units.

OK

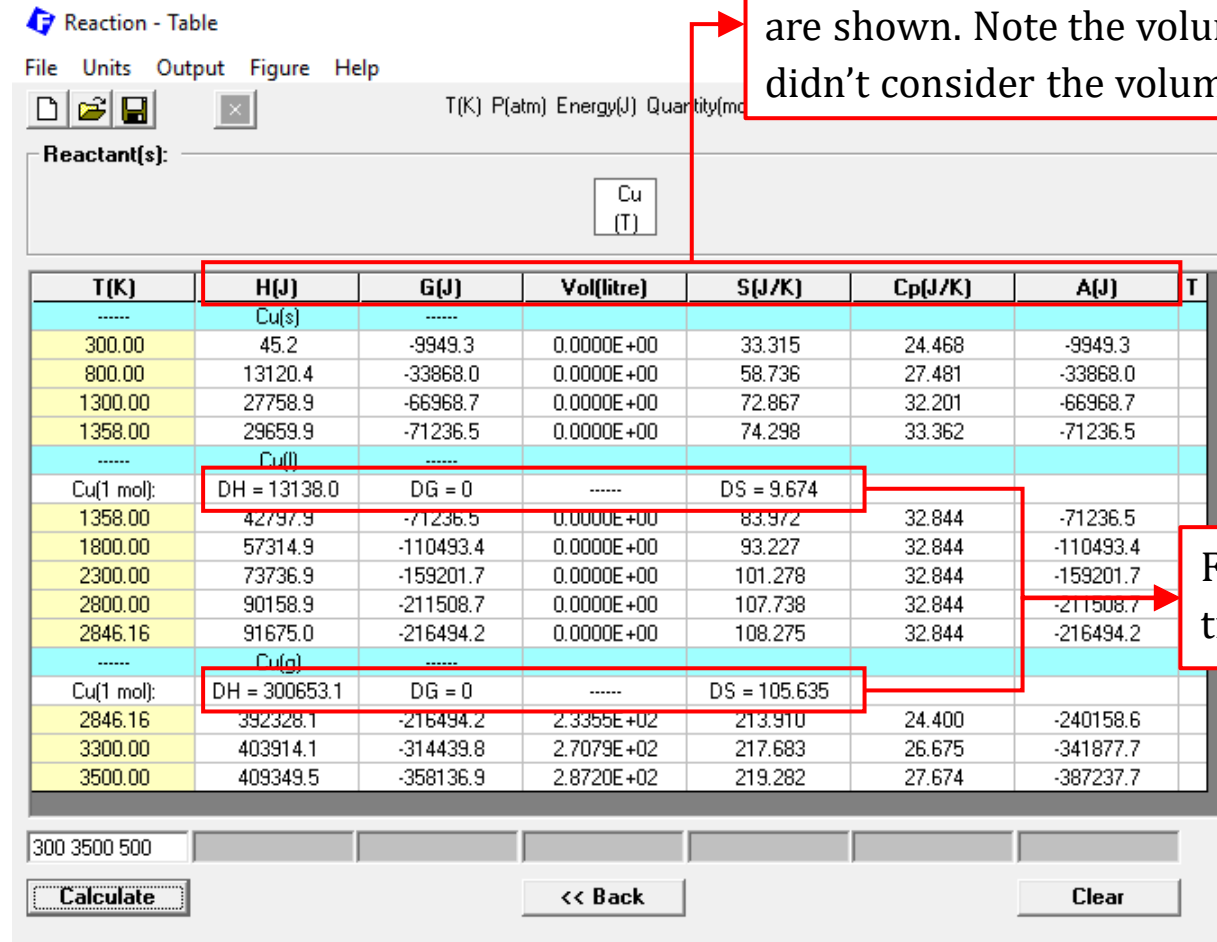
By choosing "most stable", we are asking FactSage to determine which phase is stable at a given temperature.

Let us consider 1 mol Cu.

Note: Pressure and Activity are locked because this is Standard State Calculation.

Reaction Module: Pure Cu

Table Window: Results



All the thermodynamic properties against T for 1 mol Cu are shown. Note the volume data is zero because we didn't consider the volumetric data (Reactant Window).

FactSage helps us find the phase transition points.

Reaction Module: Pure Cu

Table Window: Output Results

The screenshot shows the 'Reaction - Table' software interface. The 'Output' menu is open, with 'Save Tabular Output ...' highlighted. A 'Save As' dialog box is also open, showing the file name 'Cu (1atm).txt' and 'Save as type: Text (*.txt)'. A red arrow points from the 'Save Tabular Output ...' menu item to the 'Save As' dialog box.

Table Data:

T(K)	S(J/K)	Cp(J/K)				
300.00	0	24.468				
800.00	0	27.481				
1300.00	0	32.201				
1358.00	29659.9	-71236.5	0.0000E+00	74.298	33.362	
----- Cu(l) -----						
Cu(1 mol):	DH = 13138.0	DG = 0	-----	DS = 9.674		
1358.00	42797.9	-71236.5	0.0000E+00	83.972	32.844	
1800.00	57314.9	-110493.4	0.0000E+00	93.227	32.844	
2300.00	73736.9	-159201.7	0.0000E+00	101.278	32.844	
2800.00	90158.9	-211508.7	0.0000E+00	107.738	32.844	
2846.16	91675.0	-216494.2	0.0000E+00	108.275	32.844	
----- Cu(g) -----						
Cu(1 mol):	DH = 300653.1	DG = 0	-----	DS = 105.635		
2846.16	392328.1	-216494.2	2.3355E+02	213.910	24.400	-240158.6
3300.00	403914.1	-314439.8	2.7079E+02	217.683	26.675	-341877.7
3500.00	409349.5	-358136.9	2.8720E+02	219.282	27.674	-387237.7

Reaction Module: Pure Cu

Table Window: Output Results

Cu (1atm).txt - Notepad

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Cu
(T)

T(K)	H(J)	G(J)	Vol(litre)	S(J/K)	Cp(J/K)	A(J)	T
----- Cu(s) -----							
300.00	45.2	-9949.3	0.0000E+00	33.315	24.468	-9949.3	
800.00	13120.4	-33868.0	0.0000E+00	58.736	27.481	-33868.0	
1300.00	27758.9	-66968.7	0.0000E+00	72.867	32.201	-66968.7	
1358.00	29659.9	-71236.5	0.0000E+00	74.298	33.362	-71236.5	
----- Cu(l) -----							
Cu(1 mol): DH = 13138.0 DG = 0 ----- DS = 9.674							
1358.00	42797.9	-71236.5	0.0000E+00	83.972	32.844	-71236.5	
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2800.00	90158.9	-211508.7	0.0000E+00	107.738	32.844	-211508.7	
2846.16	91675.0	-216494.2	0.0000E+00	108.275	32.844	-216494.2	
----- Cu(g) -----							
Cu(1 mol): DH = 300653.1 DG = 0 ----- DS = 105.635							
2846.16	392328.1	-216494.2	2.3355E+02	213.910	24.400	-240158.6	
3300.00	403914.1	-314439.8	2.7079E+02	217.683	26.675	-341877.7	
3500.00	409349.5	-358136.9	2.8720E+02	219.282	27.674	-387237.7	

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Reaction Module: Heating of Cu

The second example we will be looking at is the heating of Cu from 300 K. This process can be described by the following reaction:



Let us determine the amount of heat (strictly speaking, enthalpy) required to melt 1 mole Cu from 300 K.

Reaction Module: Heating of Cu

Reactants Window: Choose the database

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File Edit Units **Data Search** Help

Choose Database

Data Search

Databases - 1/14 compound databases, 0/15 solution databases

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FTfritz RefreshDatabases

FTHelg ELEM SGnobl

FTpulp FTdemo SpMCBN

FTlite FTnucl TDmeph

TDnucl

Other

Information - Reaction only accesses COMPOUND databases
Reaction only accesses COMPOUND databases

Options - search for product species

Default

Include compounds

gaseous ions (plasmas)

aqueous species

limited data compounds (25C)

Limits

Organic species CxHy... X(max) = 2

Minimum solution components: 1 2 cpts

Cancel Summary ... OK

We only need FactPS because the system exists either as solid pure Cu or liquid pure Cu.

Reaction Module: Heating of Cu

Reactants Window: Set Reactants (Phase and Temperature)

Reaction - Reactants

File Edit Units Data Search Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

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Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
1	Cu	solid	300			
= 1	Cu	most stable	T			

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Again, by choosing “most stable”, we are asking FactSage to determine which phase is stable at a given temperature.

The initial temperature is 300 K.

Do not check this option because there is no solution phase for this heating process.

Reaction Module: Heating of Cu

Table Window: Set Conditions and Results

Reaction - Table

File Units Output Figure Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Non-Isothermal Standard State Reaction:

Cu = Cu
(300K,s) (T)

T(K)	Delta H*(J)	Delta G*(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S*(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	Delta A(J)	T
-----	Cu(s)	Cu(s)	-----				
300.00	0.0	0.0	0.0000E+00	0.000	0.000	0.0	
600.00	7681.2	-12914.4	0.0000E+00	17.668	2.008	-12914.4	
900.00	15851.3	-29958.4	0.0000E+00	29.689	2.596	-29958.4	
1200.00	24583.8	-49857.3	0.0				
1358.00	29614.6	-61287.2	0.0				
-----	Cu(s)	Cu(l)					
Cu(1 mol):	DH* = 13138.0	DG* = 0					
1358.00	42752.6	-61287.2	0.0				
1500.00	47416.5	-73447.0	0.0				
1800.00	57289.7	-100544.1	0.0				
2000.00	63838.5	-119541.6	0.0				

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This column shows the amount of heat required to heat Cu. At 1358 K, Cu starts to melt. Right before melting, 29614.6 J are required to heat solid Cu from 300 to the melting temperature. Then 13138.0 J are required to convert solid Cu to liquid Cu. Therefore, the minimum total amount of heat required to melt Cu is $(29614.6 + 13138.0) \text{ J} = 42752.6 \text{ J}$.

Reaction Module: Heating of Cu

Table Window: Plot Results

Reaction - Table

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Non-Isothermal Sta

Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Cu = Cu
(300K,s) (T)

T(K)	Delta H*(J)	Delta G*(J)	Delta A(J)	T
.....	Cu(s)	Cu(s)		
300.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	
600.00	7681.2	-12914.4	-12914.4	
900.00	15851.3	-29958.4	-29958.4	
1200.00	24583.8	-49857.3	-49857.3	
1358.00	29614.6	-61287.2	-61287.2	
.....	Cu(s)	Cu(l)		
Cu(1 mol):	DH* = 13138.0	DG* = 0		
1358.00	42752.6	-61287.2	-61287.2	
1500.00	47416.5	-73447.0	-73447.0	
1800.00	57269.7	-100544.1	-100544.1	
2000.00	63838.5	-119541.6	-119541.6	

Y-axis: Delta H*(J)

X-axis: T(K)

maximum: 65000, minimum: 0, tick every: 5000

maximum: 2000, minimum: 300, tick every: 100

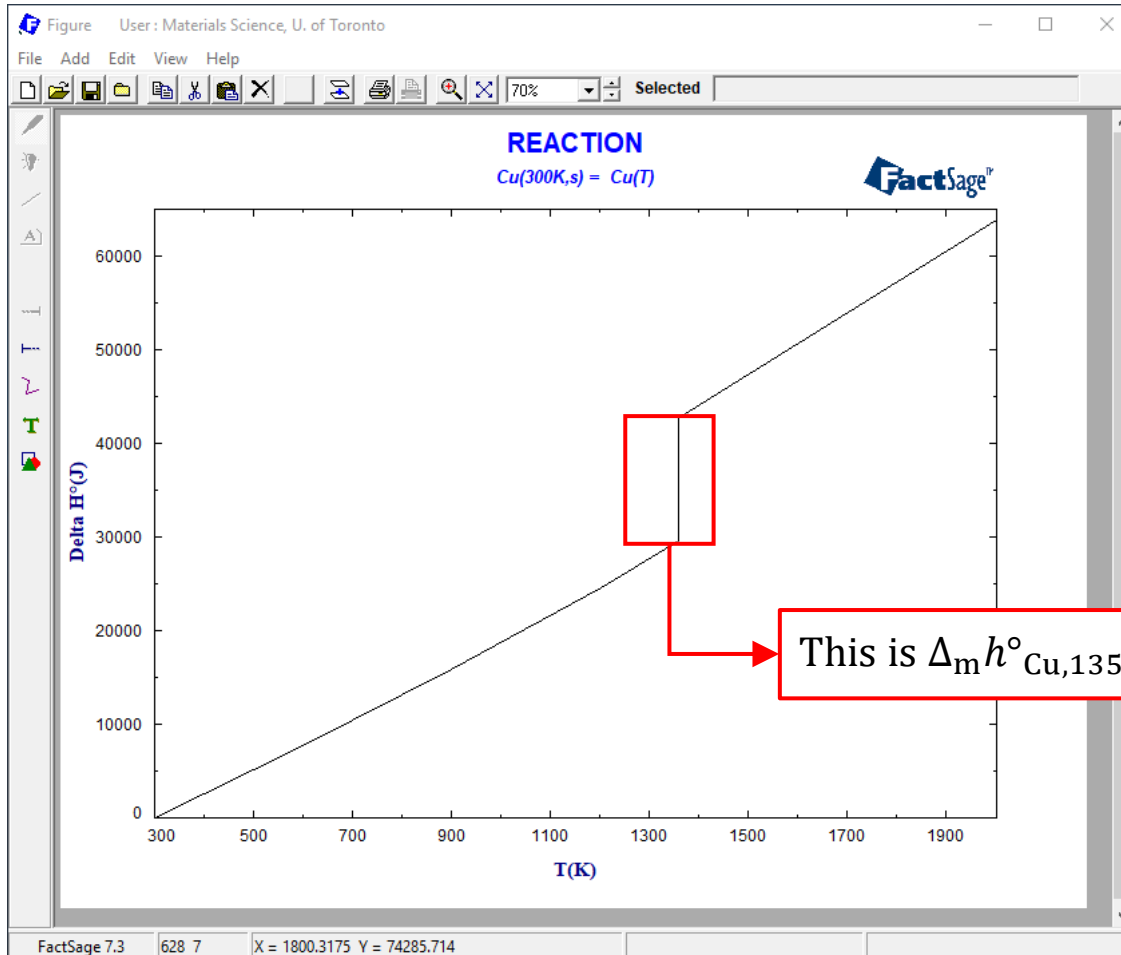
Cancel Refresh OK

300 2000 300

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Reaction Module: Heating of Cu

Table Window: Plot Results



Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

The third example we will be discussing is to calculate the thermodynamic properties of the oxidation of Cu by pure oxygen.

First, let us look at the **standard state calculation** in which all reactants and products are in their standard state.

Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Reactants Window: Choose the database

Reaction - Reactants

File Edit Units **Data Search** Help

Choose Database

Data Search

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Other

Information - Reaction only accesses COMPOUND databases
Reaction only accesses COMPOUND databases

Options - search for product species

Default

Include compounds

gaseous ions (plasmas)

aqueous species

limited data compounds (25C)

Limits

Organic species CxHy..., X(max) = 2

Minimum solution components: 1 2 cpts

Cancel Summary ... OK

Because all the reactants and products are in their standard state, FactPS can be used for this purpose.

Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Reactants Window: Set Reactants (Phase and Temperature)

Reaction - Reactants

File Edit Units Data Search Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

1 - 3

Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
4	Cu	most stable	T			
+ 1	O2	most stable	T			
= 2	Cu2O	most stable	T			

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FactSage 7.3 Compound: 1/14 databases

By choosing “most stable”, we are asking FactSage to determine which phase is stable at a given temperature.

Let us consider the following oxidation reaction at an unknown temperature when all the reactants and products are in their standard state: $4\text{Cu} + \text{O}_2 = 2\text{Cu}_2\text{O}$.

Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Table Window: Results

All the thermodynamic properties against T for **1 mol reaction** shown below.
Also, check if $\Delta_r g^\circ = \Delta_r h^\circ - T\Delta_r s^\circ = -RT\ln(K)$

Reaction - Table

File Units Output Figure Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Isothermal Standard State Reaction: $\Delta G^\circ = \Delta H^\circ - T\Delta S^\circ = -RT\ln(K_{eq})$ where (T/K)

$$4 \text{ Cu (T)} + \text{O}_2 \text{ (T)} = 2 \text{ Cu}_2\text{O (T)}$$

T(K)	Delta H*(J)	Delta G*(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S*(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	Keq
-----	Cu(s)	O2(g)	Cu2O(s)	-----		
300.00	-341417.7	-295521.9	-2.4617E+01	-152.986	-1.9223E+00	2.8421E+51
600.00	-339925.3	-249958.6	-4.9235E+01	-149.945	8.9231E+00	5.7581E+21
900.00	-336636.3	-205643.5	-7.3852E+01	-145.548	1.2414E+01	8.6087E+11
1200.00	-332624.3	-162561.9	-9.8469E+01	-141.719	1.4604E+01	1.1911E+07
1358.00	-330450.9	-140311.2	-1.1143E+02	-140.015	1.2551E+01	2.4937E+05
-----	Cu(l)	O2(g)	Cu2O(s)	-----		
Cu(1 mol):	DH* = 13138.0	DG* = 0	-----	DS* = 9.675		
1358.00	-383002.9	-140311.2	-1.1143E+02	-178.713	1.4623E+01	2.4937E+05
1500.00	-380261.0	-115060.9	-1.2309E+02	-176.800	2.4076E+01	1.0155E+04
1516.70	-379849.5	-112110.6	-1.2446E+02	-176.927	2.5211E+01	7.2603E+03
-----	Cu(l)	O2(g)	Cu2O(l)	-----		
Cu2O(1 mol):	DH* = 64768.0	DG* = 0	-----	DS* = 42.703		
1516.70	-250313.5	-112110.6	-1.2446E+02	-91.121	3.1880E+01	7.2603E+03
1800.00	-241381.7	-87085.8	-1.4770E+02	-85.720	3.1181E+01	3.3659E+02
2000.00	-235193.2	-70274.4	-1.6412E+02	-82.459	3.0706E+01	6.8444E+01

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Note the state change of Cu and Cu₂O (please record these two temperatures).

Then save the results as ".txt"

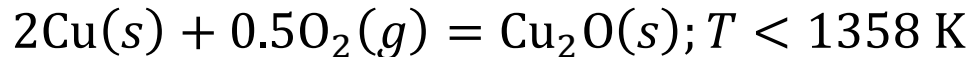
Note: the obtained $\Delta_r g^\circ \sim T$ is the Ellingham Diagram.

Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Non-standard State Calculation (Part 1)

This time, let us calculate non-standard state reactions. The first scenario is that the oxidation reaction occurs at an unknown temperature when Cu and Cu₂O are pure substances while the partial pressure of O₂ is a variable.

For non-standard state reactions, we **have to specify the state of reactants and products** because defining activity requires the definition of standard state which either is pure solid or pure liquid. From the preceding calculation of the standard state reaction, we have,



Therefore, we need to perform 3 calculations for 3 different temperature ranges. Here, we only demonstrate the calculation for the first temperature range.

Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Reactants Window: Set Reactants (Phase and Temperature)

Reaction - Reactants

File Edit Units Data Search Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
2	Cu	solid	T	1.0	1.0	
0.5	O2	gas	T	P		
1	Cu2O	solid	T	1.0	1.0	

For a liquid or solid, P is the hydrostatic pressure above the phase. Select 'apply volume data' to include molar volume and compressibility data in the 'VdP' term - this does not apply to gases which are treated as ideal.

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FactSage 7.3 Compound: 1/14 databases

Choosing the state for all reactants and products.

Temperature will be specified in the Table Window.

Partial pressure of O₂ is set as P.

This time, let us consider the following oxidation reaction at an unknown temperature $2\text{Cu}(s) + 0.5\text{O}_2(g) = \text{Cu}_2\text{O}(s)$ in which solids are pure, and the partial pressure of O₂ is P_{O_2} .

Note: we are studying how partial pressure of O₂ affects the thermodynamics of the oxidation of Cu.

Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Reactants Window: Set Reactants (Phase and Temperature)

Reaction - Reactants

File Edit Units Data Search Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

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Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity Data
2	Cu	solid	T	1.0	
+ 0.5	O2	gas	T	P	
= 1	Cu2O	solid	T	1.0	

*** For a gas species, P(atm/bar/psi) is its ideal partial pressure.
For a liquid or solid, P is the hydrostatic pressure above the phase.
Select 'apply volume data' to include molar volume and compressibility data
in the 'VdP' term - this does not apply to gases which are treated as ideal.

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Don't forget **right** click to get more info.

Hydrostatic pressure over Cu(solid) = 1.0 (atm)

- atm, P(atm)
- bar, P(bar)
- Pa, P(Pa)
- GPa, P(GPa)
- psi, P(psi)
- Help ...

Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Table Window: Results

Reaction - Table

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Reaction: $2 \text{ Cu} + 0.5 \text{ O}_2 = \text{Cu}_2\text{O}$

T(K)	P(atm)	Delta H(J)	Delta G(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	T
1000.00	1.0359E-10	-167690.6	0.0	-3.9608E+11	-167.691	6.385	

1000

0

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Variables which are highlighted are the conditions we provided.

This is the equilibrium partial pressure of O₂.

Let us study the reaction at 1000 K.

By setting Delta G = 0, we are performing the calculation when the reaction reaches equilibrium.

Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Table Window: Results

Reaction - Table

File Units Output Figure Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Isothermal Non-Standard State Reaction:

$$2 \text{ Cu} + 0.5 \text{ O}_2 = \text{Cu}_2\text{O}$$

(T,s) (T,P,g) (T,s)

T(K)	P(atm)	Delta H(J)	Delta G(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	T
1000.00	1.0000E-11	-167890.6	9718.9	-4.1029E+12	-177.410	6.385	

Let us study the reaction at 1000 K.

Let us study under a given partial pressure of O₂, if pure Cu can be oxidized.

Since $\Delta_r g > 0$, the oxidation is not thermodynamically possible.

1000 1E-11

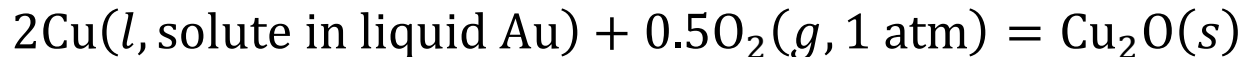
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Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Non-standard State Calculation (Part 2)

Now let us consider the removal of impurity Cu from a gold bath by blowing pure oxygen at 1 atm. The operation temperature is 1400 K, and the product is pure Cu₂O.

The above reaction can be described as:



To study the equilibrium of this reaction, we use $\Delta_r g$.

$$\Delta_r g = \Delta_r g^\circ + RT \ln \left(\frac{\left(a_{\text{Cu}_2\text{O}}^{(s2)} \right)^1}{\left(a_{\text{Cu}}^{(l)} \right)^2 \left(P_{\text{O}_2} \right)^{0.5}} \right) \text{ where } a_{\text{Cu}_2\text{O}}^{(s2)} = 1 \text{ and } P_{\text{O}_2} = 1$$

$a_{\text{Cu}}^{(l)}$ depends on the liquid Au-Cu model. Therefore, we need to choose a solution database in which the Au-Cu system has been optimized (using Documentation or View Data).

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Documentation: determine which **solution** database for the Au-Cu system

The screenshot shows the FactSage Browser interface with search results for 'Au Cu'. The search bar contains 'Au Cu' and the results show a list of phase diagrams. The 'FTlite' database is highlighted in a red box, and a callout box points to it with the text: 'One of the solution databases can be used is FTlite.'

Search Results - FactSage Browser - [search_results.htm]

File View About...

Search phase diagrams: Au Cu + must contain: Found: 663

Search results for: Au Cu

List of Phase Diagrams:

- Au - Cu : | BINARY | FScopp | FSlead | **FTlite** | SGnobl | SGsold | SGTE2011 | SGTE2014 |
- Cu - Sn - Au : | SGnobl |
- Cu - Pb - Au : | SGnobl |
- Cu - Ni - Au : | SGnobl |
- Co - Cu - Au : | SGnobl |
- Au - Cu - Ag : | SGnobl |
- Au - Cu - Ag : | SGnobl |
- Cu - Zr : | FScopp | FTlite | SGTE2011 | SGTE2014 | SGTE2017 |
- Cu - Zn : | FScopp | FSlead | FSstel | FTlite | SGsold | SGTE2011 | SGTE2014 | SGTE2017 |
- Cu - Y : | BINARY | FTlite | SGTE2011 | SGTE2014 | SGTE2017 |
- Cu - W : | FScopp | FTlite | SGTE2017 |
- Cu - V : | FScopp | FSstel | FTlite | SGTE2011 | SGTE2014 | SGTE2017 |
- Cu - Ti : | FScopp | FSlead | SGTE2011 | SGTE2014 | SGTE2017 |
- Cu - Ti : | FScopp | FTlite | SGTE2011 | SGTE2014 | SGTE2017 |
- Cu - Te : | FScopp | FSlead |
- Cu - Sr : | FSlead | FTlite | SGTE2011 | SGTE2014 | SGTE2017 |
- Cu - Sn : | BINARY | FScopp | FSlead | FSstel | FTlite | SGsold | SGTE2011 | SGTE2014 | SGTE2017 |
- Cu - Sm : | FTlite | SGTE2011 | SGTE2014 | SGTE2017 |

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View Data: determine which **solution** database for the Au-Cu system

View Data

View solutions - enter a list of elements or ALL

Examples:
Ca Al O S - solutions with Ca, Al, O and/or S
H O Fe S - solutions (including aqueous) of H, O, Fe and/or S
ALL - ALL solutions

Pressure
 atm
 bar

Energy
 J
 cal

Data
 compound solution
minimum solution components
 1 2 cpts

Solution Databases (16)
Summary ... Add ... Remove ... FTlite
C:\FactSage\FACTDATA\FTlite60soln.sdc
FTlite - FACT Al-alloy and Mg-alloy solutions (2019)

Elements or ALL: Cu Au

Exit Assessments ... Information ... OK

Database evaluation

Elements: Au Cu Search

FScopp (binaries) FSlead (binaries) FSstel (binaries) FTlite (binaries) SGnold (binaries) SpM...

	79	29	
	Au	Cu	
79	Au	U	
29	Cu	BW	U

Note that these are only for binary evaluations, ternary evaluations may differ from database to database.

Legend:
id Ideal Bragg-Williams Treatment
Q Modified Quasichemical Model
BW Bragg-Williams Model (liquid solution)
Top quality
Good quality (maybe a missing parameter)
Rough estimate, probably missing parameters
Noble gas system (use FACTPS Database)
Computed using pure substance

Although in FTlite, the liquid model for the Au-Cu system is of good quality, compared with SGnold in which the liquid model is of top quality, we choose FTlite because we don't have the access to SGnold.

Close

Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Reactants Window: Choose the database

The screenshot shows the 'Reaction - Reactants' window with the 'Data Search' dialog box open. The 'Data Search' dialog box has a menu bar with 'File', 'Edit', 'Units', 'Data Search', and 'Help'. The main area is titled 'Databases - 2/14 compound databases, 0/15 solution databases'. It lists several databases with checkboxes: FactPS (checked), FToxid, FTsalt, FTmisc, FTHall, FT0xCN, FTfritz, FTHelg, FTpulp, FTlite (checked), FSopp, FSlead, FSstel, FSupsi, ELEM, FTdemo, FTnucl, BINS, SGPS, SGTE, SGsold, SGnobl, SpMCBN, TDMeph, and TDnucl. There are also sections for 'Private Databases' (EXAM), 'Information' (Reaction only accesses COMPOUND databases), and 'Options - search for product species' (Include compounds: gaseous ions (plasmas), aqueous species, limited data compounds (25C); Limits: Organic species CxHy..., X(max) = 2, Minimum solution components: 1, 2 cpts). Buttons for 'Cancel', 'Summary ...', and 'OK' are at the bottom.

Choose Database

FactPS contains the models for gaseous O₂ and pure solid Cu₂O.

FTlite contains the model for liquid Au-Cu alloy.

Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Reactants Window: Set Reactants (Phase and Temperature)

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Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
2	Cu	liquid-FTlite	1400	1.0	X	FTlite
0.5	O2	gas-FactPS	1400	1		FactPS
1	Cu2O	solid-FactPS	1400	1.0	1.0	FactPS

Activity a(Cu(liquid-FTlite) = X

Help ...

Partial pressure of O₂ is set as 1 atm.

Activity

This is the activity of the species.
Enter a numerical value (ex: 0.5 or 1.234e-10) to specify a fixed activity (1.0 is standard state reaction).
Specify "X" if the activity of a species is to be calculated or fixed later in the Tabular Window.

OK

** For a gas species, P(atm/bar/psi) is its ideal partial pressure.
For a liquid or solid, P is the hydrostatic pressure above the phase.
Select 'apply volume data' to include molar volume and compressibility data in the 'VdP' term - this does not apply to gases which are treated as ideal.

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Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Table Window: Set Conditions

The screenshot shows the 'Reaction - Table' window. At the top, the title bar reads 'Reaction - Table'. Below it is a menu bar with 'File', 'Units', 'Output', 'Figure', and 'Help'. A toolbar contains icons for file operations and a close button. The main area is titled 'Isothermal Non-Standard State Reaction:' and contains the following chemical equation:

$$2 \text{Cu} + 0.5 \text{O}_2 = \text{Cu}_2\text{O}$$

Below the equation, the phases are specified: (1400K_liq-FTlite,X) for Cu, (1400K_g-FactPS) for O₂, and (1400K_s-FactPS) for Cu₂O. Below the reaction is a table with the following columns: Activity X, Delta H(J), Delta G(J), Delta Vol(litre), Delta S(J/K), Delta Cp(J/K), Delta A(J), and T. The table is currently empty. At the bottom of the window, there are four buttons: 'Calculate', 'Specify 1 variable.', '<< Back', and 'Clear'. A red box highlights the 'Specify 1 variable.' button, and a red arrow points from it to a text box that reads: 'The number of variables that need to be specified is determined by the Gibbs phase rule.'

Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Table Window: Results

Reaction - Table

File Units Output Figure Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Isothermal Non-Standard State Reaction:

$$2 \text{ Cu} + 0.5 \text{ O}_2 = \text{ Cu}_2\text{O}$$

(1400K,liq-FTlite,X) (1400K,g-FactPS) (1400K,s-FactPS)

Activity X	Delta H(J)	Delta G(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	Delta A(J)	T
5.8106E-02	-190582.0	0.0	-5.7440E+01	-136.130	11.610	5820.2	

This is the activity of Cu in the liquid Au-Cu alloy when the system reaches equilibrium, $a_{\text{Cu}}^{(l)}$. Unfortunately, we are not able to obtain the concentration of Cu, $X_{\text{Cu}}^{(l)}$ because of the lack of activity coefficient.

By setting Delta G = 0, we are performing the calculation when the reaction reaches equilibrium.

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Calculate << Back Clear

Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Table Window: Results

Reaction - Table

File Units Output Figure Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Isothermal Non-Standard State Reaction:

$$2 \text{ Cu} + 0.5 \text{ O}_2 = \text{ Cu}_2\text{O}$$

(1400K,liq-FTlite,X) (1400K,g-FactPS) (1400K,s-FactPS)

Activity X	Delta H(J)	Delta G(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	Delta A(J)	T
6.0000E-02	-190582.0	-746.8	-5.7440E+01	-135.597	11.610	5073.3	

Since $\Delta_r g < 0$, the oxidation is thermodynamically possible.

Let us study if pure Cu can be oxidized when the activity of Cu in the liquid Au-Cu alloy is 0.06.

0.06

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Reaction Module: Oxidation of Cu

Non-standard State Calculation (Part 3)

The third part of non-standard state calculation is to include a slag phase. That is, instead of forming pure solid Cu_2O , a liquid slag consisting of SiO_2 and Cu_2O is in contact with the gold bath.

In this case, the activity of Cu_2O in the liquid slag should be used, and FToxid contains the model for the liquid SiO_2 - Cu_2O slag.

The set up would be very similar to the previous calculation, except for Cu_2O of which the activity must be used.

In-Class Exercise

Question 1.

Solve Question 1 and 2 from the first problem set using the Reaction Module.

Question 2.

Carry out the following calculations using the View Data and/or Reaction Module (not identical, since you will need to tailor conditions to your particular metal) on one or as many metals as you wish from the following list:

Nickel, Chromium, Lead, Iron, Manganese, Vanadium, Magnesium, Zinc,
Titanium, Sodium, Cobalt.

- (1) Create a data table for the most stable species of the M over a suitable temperature range.
- (2) Find the available solution phases the Metal-Fe-S system.
- (3) Create a data Table for the reaction between Metal, oxygen, and the lowest oxide. The maximum temperature should be at least 2000 K, or as appropriate.

In-Class Exercise

(4a) Create a data Table for the above oxidation reaction for at least five different conditions at equilibrium (always isothermal and always at equilibrium). For example, you could choose to calculate T in three runs with different defined X and P . Then you could calculate X at defined P and T , and then P at defined X and T .

(4b) Next, assume that the reaction needs some super-saturation to nucleate the oxide, so set $\Delta G = \Delta G^0/100$ (which will be a negative number) and find the P_{O_2} needed compared to one of your above equilibrium conditions. Include this result in your data Table and add a written comment.

(5) Create a plot showing the Enthalpy required to heat Metal up to and beyond the boiling point (or as close as you can get).

Note: you should annotate all your five sheets by hand as appropriate - to make everything clear to the reader.

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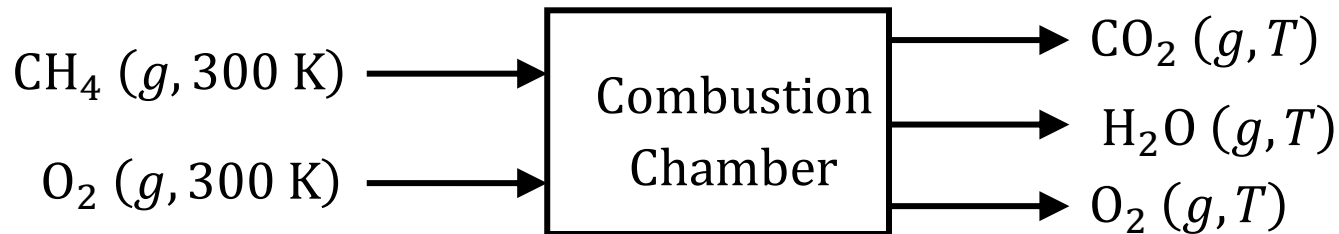
Practical 2. Reaction Module

Advanced Applications

Application 1: Combustion of Methane

The first application is the combustion of gaseous methane in the presence of **excess oxygen**. In this case, the combustion products would be CO_2 , H_2O and unused O_2 (note: because of the excess of O_2 , no CO would form).

Consider the following combustion process.



Let us calculate the adiabatic flame temperature (AFT) in the Reaction Module, and how AFT is affected by the excess ratio of oxygen.

Note: we assume the gas phase behaves ideally, and thus standard state calculations could be performed when calculating enthalpy change associated with the combustion process.

Application 1: Combustion of Methane

Reactants Window: Choose the database

Reaction - Reactants

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Choose Database

Data Search

Databases - 1/14 compound databases, 0/15 solution databases

Fact **FactSage[®]** **SGTE** compounds only solutions only no database

FactPS FScomp BINS EXAM

FToxid FSleaq SGPS

FTsalt FSstel SGTE

FTmisc FSups SGsold

FTHall Clear All

FT0xCN Add/Remove Data

FTfritz RefreshDatabases

FTHelg ELEM SGnobl

FTpulp FTdemo SpMCBN

FTlite FTnucl TDmeph

TDnucl

Other

Information - Reaction only accesses COMPOUND databases
Reaction only accesses COMPOUND databases

Options - search for product species

Default

Include compounds

gaseous ions (plasmas)

aqueous species

limited data compounds (25C)

Limits

Organic species CxHy..., X(max) = 2

Minimum solution components: 1 2 cpts

Cancel Summary ... OK

All the species considered are gaseous. FactPS should be used.

Application 1: Combustion of Methane

Reactants Window: Set Reactants (Phase and Temperature)

Reaction - Reactants

File Edit Units Data Search Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activi
1	CH4	gas	300		
+ <A>	O2	gas	300		
= 1	CO2	gas	T		
+ 2	H2O	gas Steam	T		
+ <A-2>	O2	gas	T		

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Don't check

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Quantity

Enter the amount of the reactant. Examples: 10 14.307 1.234e-4

For example, the formation of water:

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2 H2
+ 1 O2
= H2O
```

The reaction need not be balanced.

A composition variable "A" (alpha) may be specified in the form <aA+b> or <a+bA> where a and b are constants. A is calculated or specified later.

Examples: <A> <-1+2A> <3./A+6>. For example the oxidation of methane in excess oxygen:

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1 CH4
+ <A+2> O2
= 1 CO2
+ 2 H2O
+ <A> O2
```

After the quantity has been entered, click with the mouse-right-button to convert quantity units.

OK

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Application 1: Combustion of Methane

Reactants Window: Results

Reaction - Table

File Units Output Figure Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Non-Isothermal Standard State Reaction:

$$\text{CH}_4 + \langle A \rangle \text{O}_2 = \text{CO}_2 + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O} + \langle A-2 \rangle \text{O}_2$$

(300K,g) (300K,g) (T,g) (T,g) (T,g)

<A>	T(K)	Delta H*(J)	Delta G*(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S*(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	T
2.0000	300.00	-802298.6	-800825.3	0.0000E+00	-4.911	9.937	

The minimum value of <A> is 2, which results in complete combustion.

Although the reaction is generally non-isothermal, we can still calculate the standard enthalpy of reaction at 300 K, $\Delta_r h^\circ_{300 \text{ K}}$.

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Reactants Window: Results

Reaction - Table

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T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Non-Isothermal Standard State Reaction:

$$\text{CH}_4 + \langle A \rangle \text{O}_2 = \text{CO}_2 + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O} + \langle A-2 \rangle \text{O}_2$$

(300K,g) (300K,g) (T,g) (T,g) (T,g)

<A>	T(K)	Delta H*(J)	Delta G*(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S*(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	T
2.0000	300.00	-802298.6	-800825.3	0.0000E+00	-4.911	9.937	
8.0000	300.00	-802298.6	-800825.3	0.0000E+00	-4.911	9.937	
2.0000	2000.00	-565472.0	-2063652.8	4.1849E+02	241.810	68.217	
8.0000	2000.00	-210752.9	-4563182.2	1.2555E+03	622.315	118.372	
8.0000	2531.54	0.0	-5891328.1	1.6480E+03	715.697	132.401	T
6.7889	2800.00	0.0	-5808387.1	1.5978E+03	664.096	125.987	

Note: for each calculation (row), the two highlighted cells are the variables specified. When Delta H* = 0, this corresponds to adiabatic process, and the AFT can be calculated for a given excess ratio of oxygen.

Calculation of excess ratio of oxygen:

$$\frac{8 \text{ mol} - 2 \text{ mol}}{2 \text{ mol}} \times 100\% = 300\%$$

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Reactants Window: Results

Reaction - Table

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Non-Isothermal Standard State Reaction:

$$\text{CH}_4 + \langle A \rangle \text{O}_2 = \text{CO}_2 + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O} + \langle A-2 \rangle \text{O}_2$$

(300K.g) (300K.g) (T.g) (T.g) (T.g)

$\langle A \rangle$	T(K)	Delta H*(J)	Delta G*(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S*(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	T
2.0000	5210.64	0.0	-5061538.4	1.2089E+03	408.944	89.060	T
3.0000	4365.87	0.0	-5318138.6	1.3345E+03	471.207	98.776	T
4.0000	3779.88	0.0	-5500250.4	1.4278E+03	527.842	107.327	T
5.0000	3347.48	0.0	-5636288.4	1.5004E+03	579.941	114.803	T
6.0000	3014.08	0.0	-5741346.1	1.5590E+03	628.267	121.350	T
7.0000	2748.49	0.0	-5824419.6	1.6073E+03	673.376	127.162	T
8.0000	2531.54	0.0	-5891328.1	1.6480E+03	715.697	132.401	T
9.0000	2350.76	0.0	-5946043.4	1.6828E+03	755.566	137.201	T
10.0000	2197.68	0.0	-5991384.1	1.7129E+03	793.257	141.666	T

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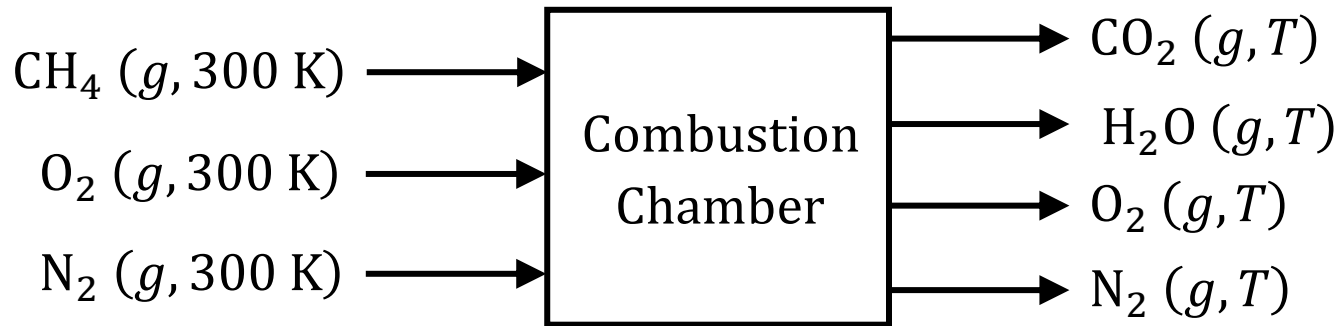
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This is because the unused O_2 is heated up from 300 K to AFT. However, in reality, we always input excess amount of oxygen because this could prevent the soot formation.

Now let us study the effect of excess ratio of oxygen on the AFT.

Application 1: Combustion of Methane

We can also calculate the AFT for a burner that uses air instead of pure oxygen. In this case, equivalent amounts of nitrogen accompanying oxygen should be entered in the reaction.



Note: since the air composition (mole fraction) can be approximated as “0.79 N_2 + 0.21 O_2 ”, for every mole of O_2 input, there are 3.76 mol N_2 .

Application 1: Combustion of Methane

Reactants Window: Set Reactants (Phase and Temperature)

Reaction - Reactants

File Edit Units Data Search Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

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Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
1	CH4	gas	300			
+ <A>	O2	gas	300			
+ <3.76A>	N2	gas	300			
= 1	CO2	gas	T			
+ 2	H2O	gas Steam	T			
+ <A-2>	O2	gas	T	1.0	1.0	
+ <3.76A>	N2	gas	T			

non standard states apply volume data

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Application 1: Combustion of Methane

Reactants Window: Results

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Non-Isothermal Standard State Reaction:

$$\text{CH}_4 + \langle A \rangle \text{O}_2 + \langle 3.76A \rangle \text{N}_2 = \text{CO}_2 + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O} + \langle A-2 \rangle \text{O}_2 + \langle 3.76A \rangle \text{N}_2$$

(300K.g) (300K.g) (300K.g) (T.g) (T.g) (T.g) (T.g)

$\langle A \rangle$	T(K)	Delta H*(J)	Delta G*(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S*(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	T
2.0000	2328.44	0.0	-5907939.4	1.7510E+03	761.673	127.752	T
3.0000	1790.27	0.0	-6061858.6	1.8686E+03	918.549	145.202	T
4.0000	1482.05	0.0	-6148873.5	1.9438E+03	1046.251	157.214	T
5.0000	1281.49	0.0	-6205186.6	1.9974E+03	1153.588	164.998	T
6.0000	1139.95	0.0	-6243081.3	2.0374E+03	1245.785	168.776	T
7.0000	1034.43	0.0	-6268986.3	2.0683E+03	1326.232	169.997	T
8.0000	952.60	0.0	-6286757.7	2.0928E+03	1397.275	169.713	T
9.0000	887.23	0.0	-6298997.1	2.1125E+03	1460.621	168.473	T
10.0000	833.79	0.0	-6307308.4	2.1287E+03	1517.554	166.477	T

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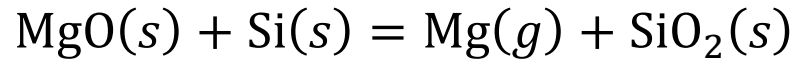
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Can you see the significant difference in the AFT when we switch from pure oxygen to air? That's why the oxygen-enrichment technology is so important for the combustion process.

Again, let us study the effect of excess ratio of oxygen on the AFT when air is used.

Application 2: Pidgeon Process

Magnesium can be produced by reducing MgO with ferrosilicon at low pressures and in the solid state. This is called the Pidgeon Process and was developed by UofT MSE's Professor Pidgeon in Canada in WWII to produce much-needed magnesium metal then. The essential reaction can be described as:

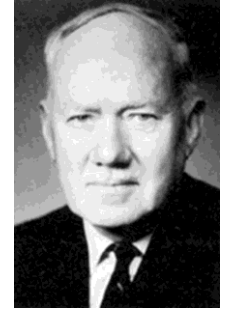
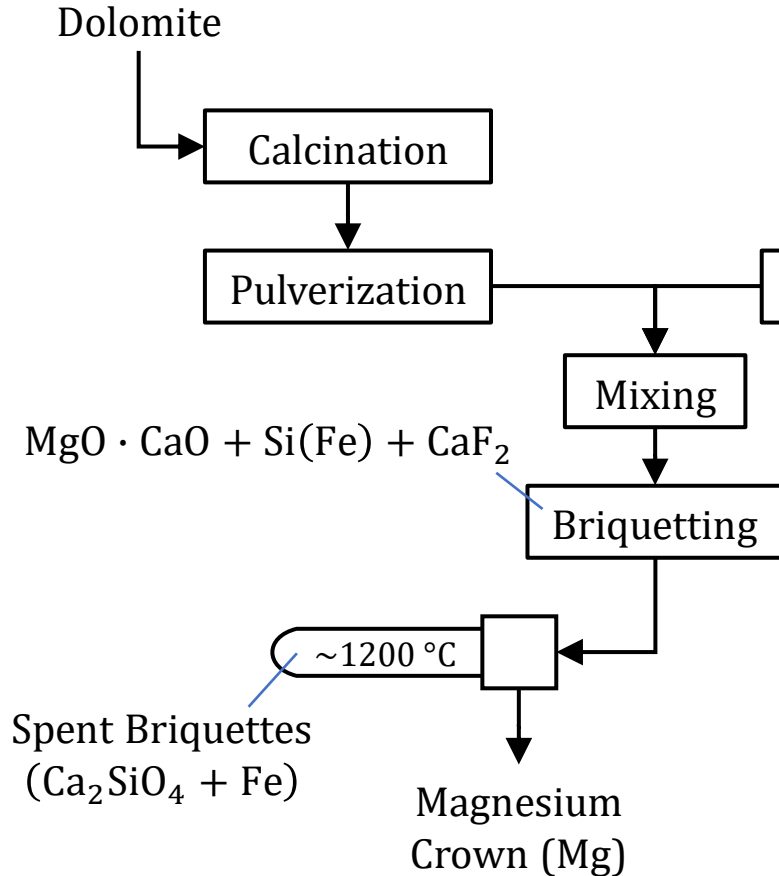


By controlling the system's pressure, solid charge composition (which affects the activity of SiO_2), etc., the above reduction can be shifted to improve the productivity of Mg.

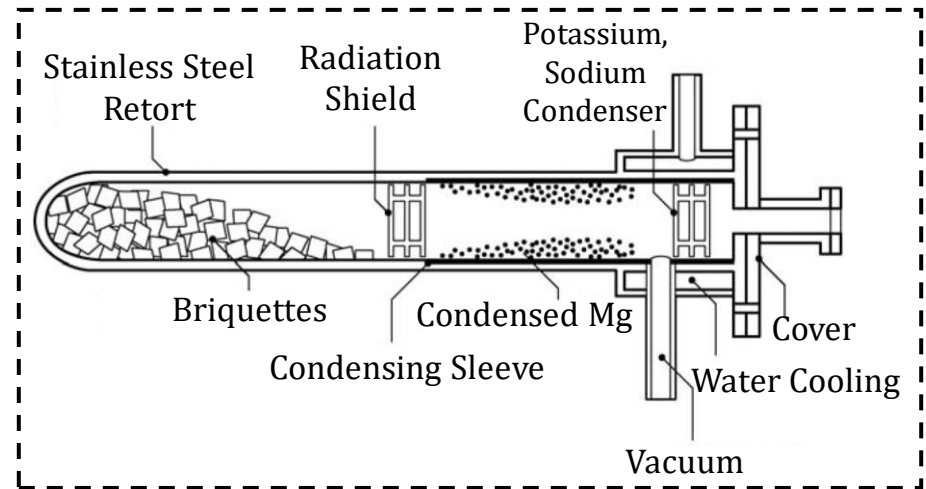
The flowsheet of the Pidgeon Process is shown on the next slide.

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Flowsheet of the Pidgeon Process (Schematic)

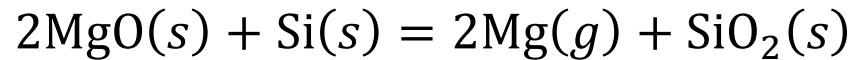


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For the purpose of illustration, let us assume that **pure solid MgO** (not MgO · CaO) and **pure solid Si** (not ferrosilicon) are charged into the Pidgeon reactor. Then, the simplified Pidgeon process can be described as:



First, let us study the **standard-state reaction** using the Reaction Module. The temperature is 1423 K.

Application 2: Pidgeon Process

Standard-state Calculation:

Reaction - Reactants

File Edit Units **Data Search** Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

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Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
2	MgO	most stable	1423			
+ 1	Si	most stable	1423			
= 2	Mg	most stable	1423			
+ 1	SiO2	most stable	1423			

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Only FactPS is used.

Let FactSage decide which state should be used.

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Standard-state Calculation:

Reaction - Table

File Units Output Figure Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Isothermal Standard State Reaction: $\Delta G^* = \Delta H^* - T \cdot \Delta S^* = -RT \cdot \ln(K_{eq})$, where T(K)

$2 \text{ MgO} + \text{ Si} = 2 \text{ Mg} + \text{ SiO}_2$
(1423K) (1423K) (1423K) (1423K)

Delta H*(J)	Delta G*(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S*(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	Delta A(g)	Delta B(g)	T
-----	MgO(s)	Si(s)	Mg(g)	SiO2(s4)	-----	-----	-----
572578.9	220849.2	2.3354E+02	247.175	-19.712	197186.1		

Note: the stable structure of SiO₂ at 1423 K is s4, which is tridymite (View Data Module)

Delta G* > 0, which means the reduction is not possible under the standard-state conditions.

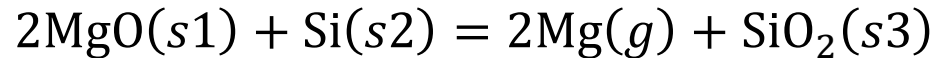
Delta H* > 0, which means the reaction is endothermic.

No variables are required to be specified.

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Application 2: Pidgeon Process

Now, let us go back to the reaction and assume that all reactants/products are not necessarily in their standard state:



To study the direction of this reaction, $\Delta_r g$ should be used:

$$\Delta_r g = \Delta_r g^\circ + RT \ln \frac{(P_{\text{Mg}(g)})^2 \times (a_{\text{SiO}_2}^{(s3)})}{(a_{\text{MgO}}^{(s1)})^2 \times (a_{\text{Si}}^{(s2)})}$$

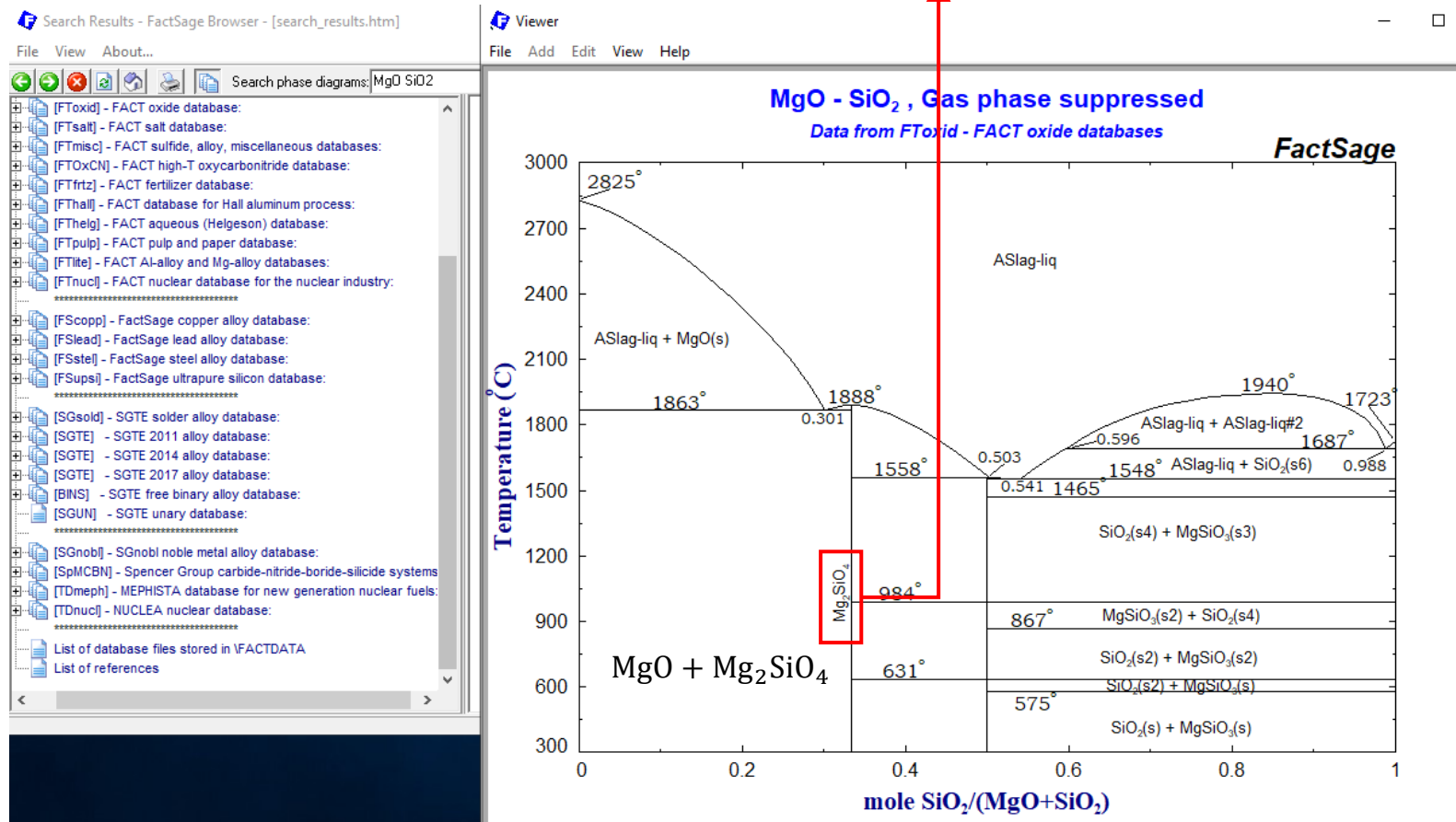
Clearly, to drive this reaction to the right, we can consider the following.

1. Increase the reaction temperature (because the reaction is endothermic).
2. Reduce a_{SiO_2} by fluxing.
3. Reduce $P_{\text{Mg}(g)}$ by employing vacuum.

Note: you probably know the Le Chatelier principle, and its mathematical basis is the expression of $\Delta_r g$.

Application 2: Pidgeon Process

a_{SiO_2} : from the MgO-SiO₂ phase diagram, it is seen that MgO(s) and SiO₂(s) cannot coexist because they react to form (MgO)₂ · SiO₂.

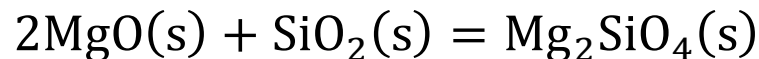


Application 2: Pidgeon Process

a_{SiO_2} : from the MgO-SiO₂ phase diagram, it is seen that MgO(s) and SiO₂(s) cannot coexist because they react to form (MgO)₂ · SiO₂ or Mg₂SiO₄, known as forsterite.

The MgO-SiO₂ phase diagram indicates that given excess MgO(s) in the Pidgeon reactor, the formed SiO₂(s) will react with MgO(s) to form (MgO)₂ · SiO₂, and thus, $a_{\text{SiO}_2}^{(s3)} < 1$. In other words, SiO₂(s) is not stable.

The next page shows the calculation of a_{SiO_2} for a system consisting of MgO(s) and Mg₂SiO₄(s). You can also consider a_{SiO_2} as the activity of solid SiO₂ when it exists as solid (MgO)₂ · SiO₂. To do this, the following reaction which contains SiO₂(s) is considered.



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Calculation of a_{SiO_2} :

Reaction - Reactants

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T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
2	MgO	solid Periclase	1423	1.0	1.0	
+ 1	SiO2	solid-4 Tridymite(h)	1423	1.0	X	
= 1	Mg2SiO4	solid-1 forsterite	1423	1.0	1.0	

*** For a gas species, P(atm/bar/psi) is its ideal partial pressure.
For a liquid or solid, P is the hydrostatic pressure above the phase.
Select 'apply volume data' to include molar volume and compressibility data in the 'VdP' term - this does not apply to gases which are treated as ideal.

non standard states apply volume data

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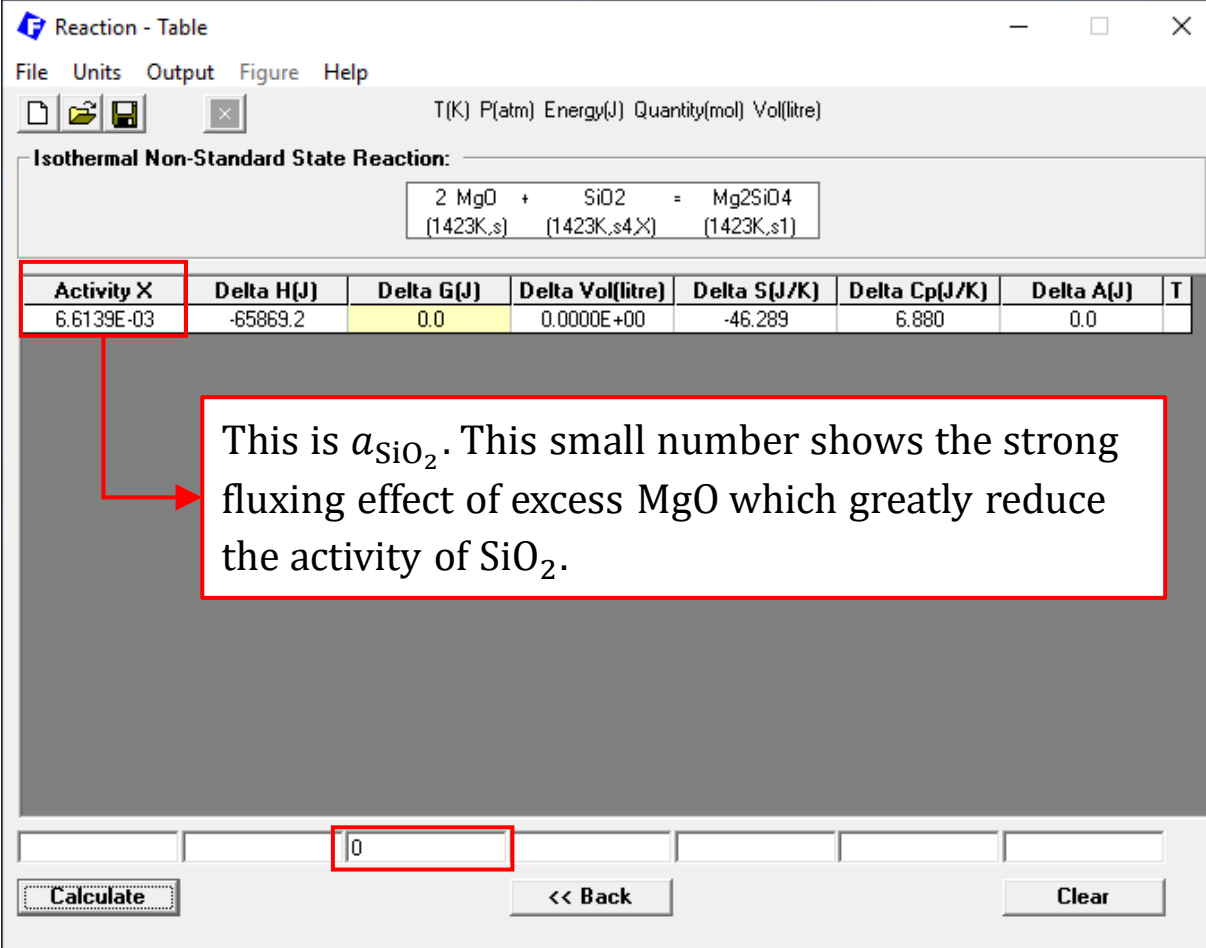
FactSage 7.3 Compound: 1/14 databases

Annotations:

- Again, only FactPS is used.
- MgO exists as pure solid.
- Mg₂SiO₄ also exists as pure solid.
- SiO₂ is not stable, and $a_{\text{SiO}_2} < 1$.

Application 2: Pidgeon Process

Calculation of a_{SiO_2} :



The screenshot shows the "Reaction - Table" software interface. The reaction is defined as:

$$2 \text{MgO} + \text{SiO}_2 = \text{Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4$$

The reaction is set at 1423K. The software displays a table of thermodynamic properties for the reaction:

Activity X	Delta H(J)	Delta G(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	Delta A(J)	T
6.6139E-03	-65869.2	0.0	0.0000E+00	-46.289	6.880	0.0	

The value 6.6139E-03 is highlighted with a red box. A red arrow points from this box to a text box containing the following explanation:

This is a_{SiO_2} . This small number shows the strong fluxing effect of excess MgO which greatly reduce the activity of SiO_2 .

At the bottom of the interface, there is a "Calculate" button, a "0" input field, a "<< Back" button, and a "Clear" button.

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Also, in our simplified Pidgeon Process:

$a_{\text{MgO}}^{(s1)}$: because MgO exists as a pure solid, $a_{\text{MgO}}^{(s1)} = 1$.

$a_{\text{Si}}^{(s2)}$: because Si exists as a pure solid, $a_{\text{Si}}^{(s2)} = 1$.

Application 2: Pidgeon Process

Non Standard-state Calculation: Calculate the equilibrium, i.e., $\Delta_r g = 0$

Reaction - Reactants

File Edit Units Data Search Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

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Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
2	MgO	solid Periclase	1423	1.0	1.0	
+ 1	Si	solid	1423	1.0	1.0	
= 2	Mg	gas	1423	P	1.0	
+ 1	SiO2	solid-4 Tridymite(h)	1423	1.0		X

** For a gas species, P(atm/bar/psi) is its ideal partial pressure.
For a liquid or solid, P is the hydrostatic pressure above the phase.
Select 'apply volume data' to include molar volume and compressibility data
in the 'VdP' term - this does not apply to gases which are treated as ideal.

non standard states apply volume data

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Again, only FactPS is used.

This is P_{Mg} .

This is a_{SiO_2} .

The state must be specified so that activity is meaningful.

Application 2: Pidgeon Process

Non Standard-state Calculation: Calculate the equilibrium, i.e., $\Delta_r g = 0$

Reaction - Table

File Units Output Figure Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Isothermal Non-Standard State Reaction:

2 MgO + Si = 2 Mg + SiO2
(1423K,s) (1423K,s) (1423K,P,g) (1423K,s4,X)

P(atm)	Activity X	Delta H(J)	Delta G(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	T

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There are an infinite number of (P_{Mg}, a_{SiO_2}) combinations which could give $\Delta_r g = 0$ and K_{equ} . Here we will select three special cases (next page).

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Non Standard-state Calculation: Calculate the equilibrium, i.e., $\Delta_r g = 0$

You can save the results as ".dat" (input some comments).

This is Standard-state calculation.

P(atm)	Activity X	Delta H(J)	Delta G(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	T
1.0000E+00	1.0000E+00	572578.9	220849.2	2.3354E+02	247.175	-19.712	
1.0000E+00	7.8235E-09	572578.9	0.0	2.3354E+02	402.374	-19.712	
8.8451E-05	1.0000E+00	572578.9	0.0	2.6403E+06	402.374	-19.712	
1.0876E-03	6.6139E-03	572578.9	0.0	2.1472E+05	402.374	-19.712	

At equilibrium ($\Delta_r g = 0$), when $a_{\text{SiO}_2} = 6.6139 \times 10^{-3}$ (calculated in [Slide](#)), $P_{\text{Mg}} = 1.0876 \times 10^{-3}$ atm.

At equilibrium ($\Delta_r g = 0$), when $a_{\text{SiO}_2} = 1$, $P_{\text{Mg}} = 8.8451 \times 10^{-5}$ atm.

At equilibrium ($\Delta_r g = 0$), when $P_{\text{Mg}} = 1$ atm, $a_{\text{SiO}_2} = 7.8235 \times 10^{-9}$.

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The above calculation verified that the magnesium production at a certain temperature can be enhanced by:

1. Reduce the total pressure ($< 1.0876 \times 10^{-3}$ atm).
2. Reduce a_{SiO_2} by fluxing – this is done automatically due to the formation of $\text{Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4(\text{s})$, and the presence of CaO can reduce a_{SiO_2} further.

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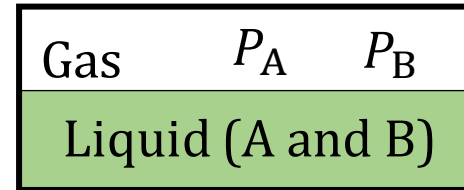
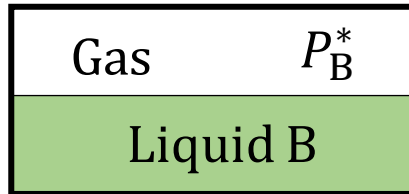
Another way of studying this simplified Pidgeon process is to write the reaction as:



In doing so, we don't need to consider the unstable phase – solid SiO_2 . Please perform the equilibrium calculations using this reaction.

Application 3: Vapor Pressure of Lead

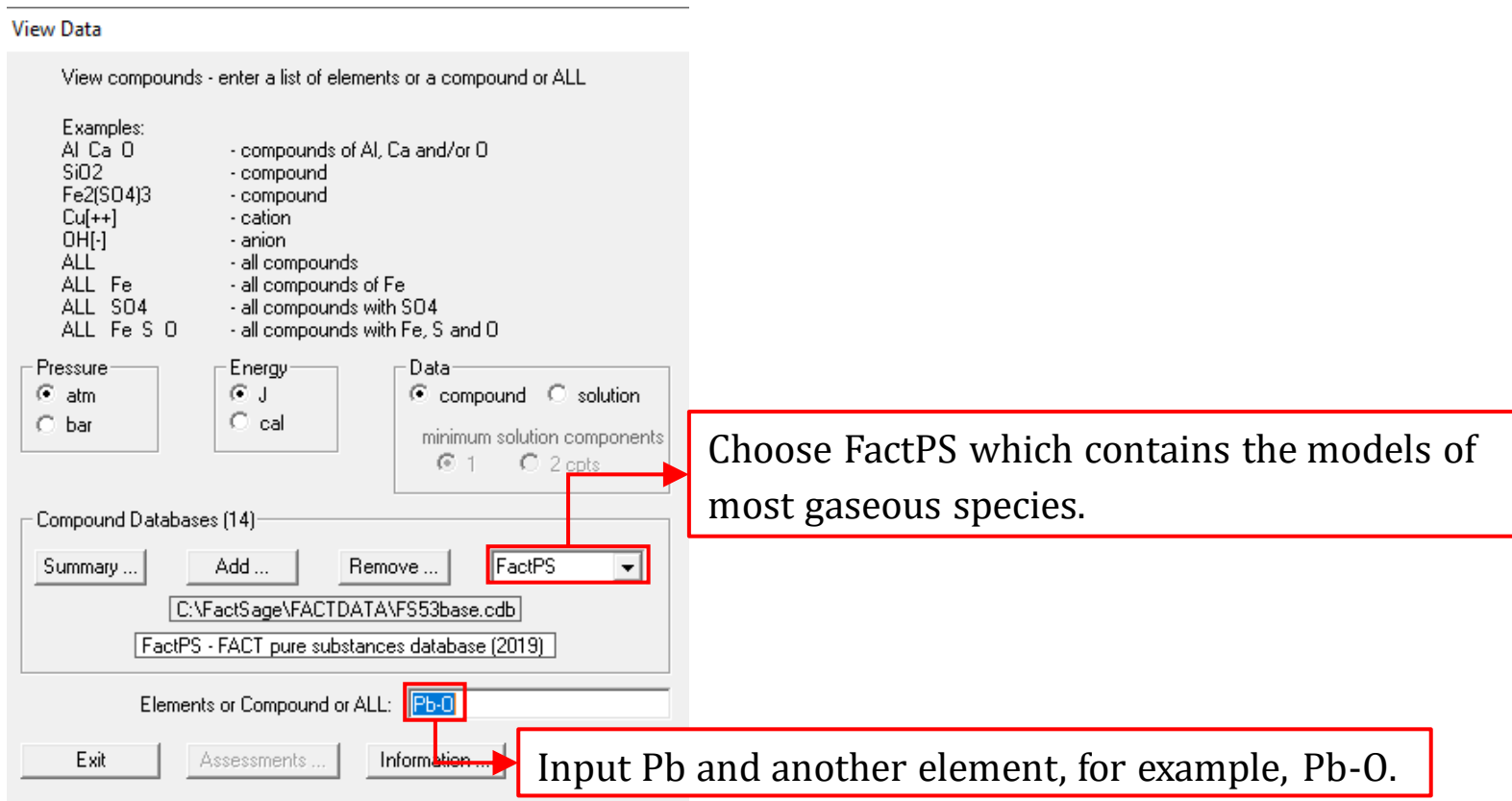
Recall from Chapter 4.1 that for any **condensed** phase, there is a vapor pressure above it.



Say we are interested in the vapor pressure of lead above a [lead-based solder](#) bath (Sn-Pb) so that we can determine the safety precautions for the workers. Assume we have already known that **the activity of lead** in a eutectic solder is around 0.5 relative to the pure liquid ($a_{\text{Pb}}^{(\text{solder})} = 0.5$). The solder temperatures of interest are from 480~530 K (207~257 °C).

Application 3: Vapor Pressure of Lead

Gaseous Species of Lead. First, let us use the View Data Module to find what gaseous species of lead are modeled in the FactSage databases.



The screenshot shows the 'View Data' window in FactSage. It includes a list of examples for searching compounds, options for pressure (atm, bar) and energy (J, cal), and a 'Data' section with radio buttons for 'compound' and 'solution', and a 'minimum solution components' section with radio buttons for '1' and '2 cpts'. A red box highlights the 'FactPS' dropdown menu in the 'Compound Databases (14)' section, with an arrow pointing to a text box that says 'Choose FactPS which contains the models of most gaseous species.' Another red box highlights the 'Pb-O' input in the 'Elements or Compound or ALL:' field, with an arrow pointing to a text box that says 'Input Pb and another element, for example, Pb-O.'

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Gaseous Species of Lead. First, let us use the View Data Module to find what gaseous species of lead are modeled in the FactSage databases.

View Data Pb-O Units: T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol)

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15 compounds, 21 phases FactPS - FACT pure substances database (2019) 8/15

Compounds ordered by alphabet (see 'Sort Compounds') - All Phases

O	FactPS	G			
O2	FactPS	G	Aq		
O2[+]	FactPS	G			
O2[-]	FactPS	G			
O3	FactPS	G			
O[+]	FactPS	G			
O[-]	FactPS	G			
Pb	FactPS	S	L	G	
Pb2	FactPS	G			
Pb3O4	FactPS	S			
PbO	FactPS	S1	S2	L	G
PbO2	FactPS	S			
Pb[+]	FactPS	G			
Pb[-]	FactPS	G			
Pb[2+]	FactPS	Aq			

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Application 3: Vapor Pressure of Lead

Lead Monomer Vapor Pressure.

Reaction - Reactants

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T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

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Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
1	Pb	liquid	T	1.0	0.5	
= 1	Pb	gas	T	P		

Unit.

It is assumed that $a_{Pb} = 0.5$.

This is P_{Pb} .

Specify the state so that activity is meaningful.

We are performing non-standard state calculations.

non standard states apply volume data

*** For a gas species, P(atm/bar/psi) is its ideal partial pressure.
For a liquid or solid, P is the hydrostatic pressure above the phase.
Select 'apply volume data' to include molar volume and compressibility data
in the 'vdP' term - this does not apply to gases which are treated as ideal.

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Application 3: Vapor Pressure of Lead

Lead Monomer Vapor Pressure.

Reaction - Table

File Units Output Figure Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Isothermal Non-Standard State Reaction:

$$\text{Pb}_{(T,\text{liq},a=0.5)} = \text{Pb}_{(T,P,g)}$$

T(K)	P(atm)	Delta H(J)	Delta G(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	T
480.00	1.9804E-16	189422.2	0.0	1.9889E+17	394.630	-10.199	
490.00	5.2156E-16	189320.4	0.0	7.7093E+16	386.368	-10.163	
500.00	1.3207E-15	189218.9	0.0	3.1065E+16	378.438	-10.127	
510.00	3.2233E-15	189117.8	0.0	1.2983E+16	370.819	-10.091	
520.00	7.5978E-15	189017.1	0.0	5.6161E+15	363.494	-10.057	
530.00	1.7331E-14	188916.7	0.0	2.5094E+15	356.447	-10.022	

480 530 10

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Calculate Specify 2 variables. << Back Clear

The lead monomer vapor pressure is very low.

Temperature range and step.

We wish to calculate the equilibrium vapor pressure, which means $\Delta_r g = 0$

2 variables need to be specified.

Application 3: Vapor Pressure of Lead

Lead Monomer Vapor Pressure: plot the data.

The screenshot shows the 'Reaction - Table' software interface. The 'Figure' menu is open, with 'Axes...' highlighted. The main window displays a table of thermodynamic data for Lead (Pb) at various temperatures. The table columns are T(K), P(atm), Delta H(J), Delta G(J), Delta Vol(litre), Delta S(J/K), and Delta Cp(J/K). The data rows are highlighted in yellow. At the bottom, there are input fields for temperature (480 530 10), a 'Calculate' button, and 'Back' and 'Clear' buttons.

T(K)	P(atm)	Delta H(J)	Delta G(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	T
480.00	1.9804E-16	189422.2	0.0	1.9889E+17	394.630	-10.199	
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510.00	3.2233E-15	189117.8	0.0	1.2983E+16	370.819	-10.091	
520.00	7.5978E-15	189017.1	0.0	5.6161E+15	363.494	-10.057	
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Lead Monomer Vapor Pressure: plot the data.

The screenshot shows a software window titled "Reaction - Table" with a menu bar (File, Units, Output, Figure, Help) and a toolbar. A table of data is displayed, and a dialog box titled "Axes: P(atm) vs T(K)" is open, allowing for axis configuration. The dialog box has fields for Y-axis (P(atm)) and X-axis (T(K)), with sub-fields for maximum, minimum, and tick every values. The "OK" button is highlighted.

T(K)	P(atm)	Delta H(J)
480.00	1.9804E-16	189422.2
490.00	5.2156E-16	189320.4
500.00	1.3207E-15	189218.9
510.00	3.2233E-15	189117.8
520.00	7.5978E-15	189017.1
530.00	1.7331E-14	188916.7

Y-axis: P(atm)

X-axis: T(K)

Y-axis settings: maximum 3.5E-26, minimum 0, tick every 2.5E-27

X-axis settings: maximum 530, minimum 480, tick every 5

Buttons: Cancel, Refresh, OK

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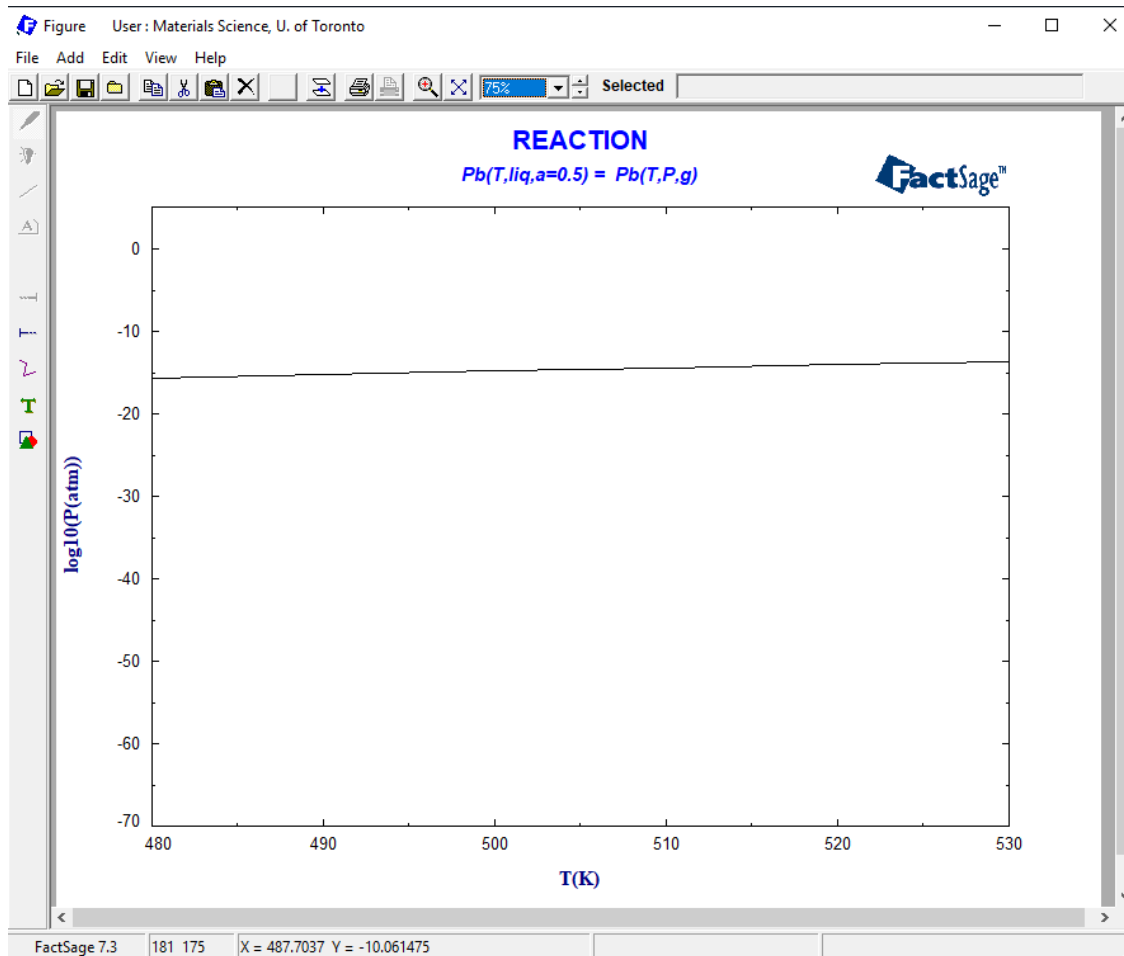
Lead Monomer Vapor Pressure: plot the data.

The image shows a software interface for plotting data. On the left, there are two lists of variables. The first list has 'T(K)' and 'X' checked. The second list has 'P(atm)' and 'log10(Y)' checked. To the right is a dialog box titled 'Axes: log10(P(atm)) vs T(K)'. It has 'Y-variable' and 'X-variable' labels. The 'Y-axis' section shows 'log10(P(atm))' selected, with a maximum of 5, minimum of -70, and tick every 5. The 'X-axis' section shows 'T(K)' selected, with a maximum of 530, minimum of 480, and tick every 5. There are 'Cancel', 'Refresh', and 'OK' buttons at the bottom of the dialog box. Red arrows point from the 'Y-variable' label to the 'log10(P(atm))' selection and from the 'X-variable' label to the 'T(K)' selection.

You can choose the variable of axes and their format.

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Lead Monomer Vapor Pressure: plot the data.



Application 3: Vapor Pressure of Lead

Lead Dimer Vapor Pressure.

Reaction - Reactants

File Edit Units **Data Search** Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Quantity(mol)	Species	Phase	T(K)	P(atm)**	Activity	Data
2	Pb	liquid	T	1.0	0.5	
= 1	Pb ₂	gas	T	P		

*** For a gas species, P(atm/bar/psi) is its ideal partial pressure.
For a liquid or solid, P is the hydrostatic pressure above the phase.
Select 'apply volume data' to include molar volume and compressibility data in the 'VdP' term - this does not apply to gases which are treated as ideal.

non standard states apply volume data

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FactSage 7.3 Compound: 1/14 databases

FactPS is used.

It is assumed that $a_{Pb} = 0.5$.

This is P_{Pb_2} .

Application 3: Vapor Pressure of Lead

Lead Dimer Vapor Pressure.

Reaction - Table

File Units Output Figure Help

T(K) P(atm) Energy(J) Quantity(mol) Vol(litre)

Isothermal Non-Standard State Reaction:

$$2 \text{Pb} = \text{Pb}_2$$

(T,liq,a=0.5) (T,P,g)

T(K)	P(atm)	Delta H(J)	Delta G(J)	Delta Vol(litre)	Delta S(J/K)	Delta Cp(J/K)	T
480.00	1.7321E-29	320327.8	0.0	2.2739E+30	667.350	-24.203	
490.00	8.9064E-29	320086.2	0.0	4.5145E+29	653.237	-24.109	
500.00	4.2841E-28	319845.6	0.0	9.5769E+28	639.691	-24.017	
510.00	1.9354E-27	319605.9	0.0	2.1623E+28	626.678	-23.925	
520.00	8.2421E-27	319367.1	0.0	5.1771E+27	614.168	-23.834	
530.00	3.3197E-26	319129.2	0.0	1.3101E+27	602.131	-23.744	

The lead dimer vapor pressure is even lower.

Temperature range and step.

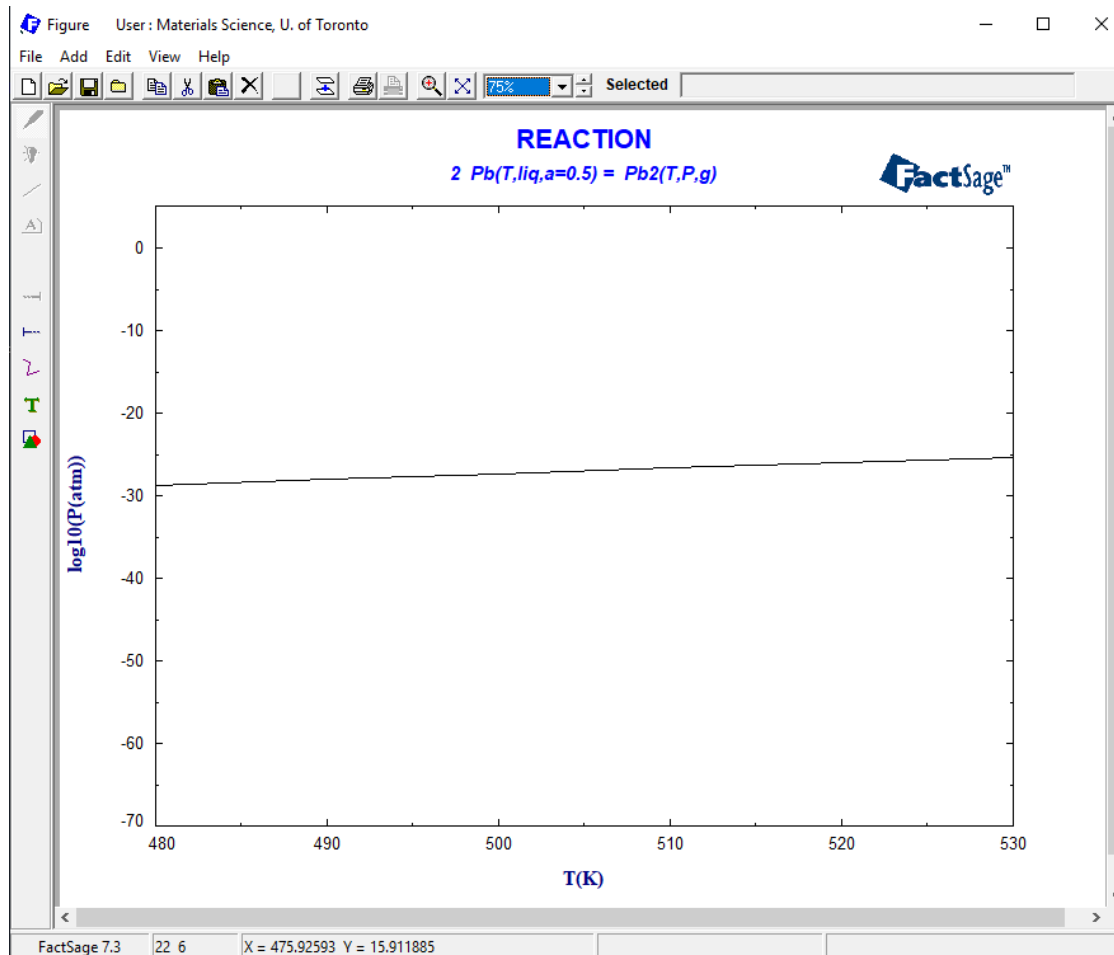
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Application 3: Vapor Pressure of Lead

Lead Dimer Vapor Pressure: plot the data



In-Class Exercise

Question 1.

Plot the “liquidus line” for **ideal** nickel alloys.

Tip: perform the equilibrium calculation for the melting reaction $\text{Ni}(s) = \text{Ni}(l)$ and note $\text{Ni}(s)$ is pure solid whereas $\text{Ni}(l)$ is in the solution state, i.e., $a_{\text{Ni}} < 1$ relative to pure liquid Ni.

(You can find help from the supplementary materials: “02 FACTSage_Raction Module_Supplementary”)

Question 2.

Calculate the AFT for combustion of propane (C_3H_8) in air (0 to 100% excess air – meaning from stoichiometric air to twice as much).

In-Class Exercise

Question 3.

In each case below, is the metal recovery possible from the slag and what is the effect of temperature?

Note: for reduction by Fe, the FeO activity in the oxide melt will be assumed to be 0.4; and for reduction by Si, the SiO₂ activity will be 0.3. Activities in molten alloys and slags are relative to pure liquid (i.e., Raoultian pure substance standard state). If no data for liquid oxide, then choose solid.

(3a) Treatment of arc furnace dust. Look at the reduction of ZnO, initially with an activity of 0.1, by solid iron scrap. Temperature range is 1200~1600 °C. The zinc must come off as vapor at 1 atm (partial pressure of zinc).

(3b) Recovery of cobalt from scrap superalloys. Look at the reduction of CoO initially with an activity of 0.01 in a molten slag, by iron scrap. The cobalt will form as a liquid in a molten alloy and should have an activity of 0.2. Temperature range is 1500~1700 °C.

In-Class Exercise

Question 3.

(3c) Recovery of cadmium from “NiCad” battery scrap. Look at the reduction of CdO, initially with an activity of 0.002 in a molten slag, by solid iron scrap. Temperature range is 1200~1600 °C. The cadmium must come off as vapor at 1 atm (partial pressure of cadmium).

Question 4.

Look at the vapor species for a metal (Fe, Ni, Zn, etc.) using the View Data Module. Then use the Reaction Module to plot $\log(P)$ vs. $1/T$ (K) for the **monomer** species above the pure liquid. Choose Y-axis numbers between 10 and 0.0001 initially [$\log(P)$ between 1 and -4] and use that to help you find the appropriate temperature range. (Choose one metal)