• Consider the following reaction and associated thermochemical data?

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$$2NO_2(g) \rightleftharpoons N_2O_4(g)$$

Data:

Compound	$NO_2(g)$	$N_2O_4(g)$
$\Delta_{\rm f} H^{\circ} / {\rm kJ \ mol}^{-1}$	33	9
$S^{\circ}$ / J K <sup>-1</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup>	240	304

What is the expression for the equilibrium constant,  $K_c$ , for this reaction?

$$K_{c} = \frac{[N_{2}O_{4}(g)]}{[NO_{2}(g)]^{2}}$$

What are the values of  $\Delta H^{\circ}$  and  $\Delta S^{\circ}$  for the reaction?

Using  $\Delta H^{\circ} = \sum \Delta_f H^{\circ}$  (products)  $-\sum \Delta_f H^{\circ}$  (reactants), the enthalpy change is:

$$\Delta H^{\circ} = 2\Delta_f H^{\circ} \text{(products)} - \Delta_f H^{\circ} \text{(reactants)}$$
  
=  $(9 - 2 \times 33) \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} = -57 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ 

Using  $\Delta S^{\circ} = \sum S^{\circ}$  (products) –  $\sum S^{\circ}$  (reactants), the entropy change is:

$$\Delta S^{\circ} = 2S^{\circ} (\text{products}) - S^{\circ} (\text{reactants})$$
  
= (304 - 2 × 240) kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> = -176 J K<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>

$$\Delta H^{\circ} = -57 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta S^{\circ} = -176 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

What is the value of  $\Delta G^{\circ}$  for the reaction at 298 K?

Using  $\Delta G^{\circ} = \Delta H^{\circ} - T\Delta H^{\circ}$ :

$$\Delta G^{\circ} = (-57 \times 10^{3} \text{ J mol}^{-1}) - (298 \text{ K})(-176 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1})$$
  
= -5000 J mol<sup>-1</sup> = -5 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>

$$\Delta G^{\circ} = -5 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

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