### Hess's Law

- Instead of conducting a calorimetry experiment, alternative methods have been created to <u>calculate</u> the enthalpy change of a reaction
- Hess's Law is a way to calculate the enthalpy change of a chemical reaction by adding all the individual enthalpy changes of individual reactions together to get a desired net reaction
  - Hess's law is based off the idea that the same reactants can have different and multiple pathways to get to the same end products
- To determine an enthalpy change of a desired reaction using Hess's Law, follow these steps:
  - Step 1: Determine or create the desired net reaction
  - Step 2: Manipulate the given/intermediate reactions so they add up to yield the net reaction
    - Ensure the chemicals found in the intermediate reactions are on the same side of the reaction as the chemicals found in the net/desired equation. This may require intermediate chemical reactions to be reversed (ie. flipped), which will reverse the ΔH sign.
    - Ensure that the moles of the chemicals in the intermediate reactions match the moles of the chemicals in the net/desired reaction. This may require the intermediate reactions to be altered by a constant factor (ie. multiply or divide by a factor), which will cause the ΔH to be altered by the same factor
  - Step 3: Subtract/add the remaining reactants and products to yield the net equation
    - Chemicals on the same side of the reaction arrow add up
    - Chemicals on opposite sides of the reaction arrow subtract/cancel out
- Usually use Hess's Law when a list of intermediate reactions are listed and you are trying to find the enthalpy change for a desired net reaction



### **EXAMPLES:**

1. One of the methods that the steel industry uses to obtain metallic iron is to react iron (III) oxide, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>(s), with carbon monoxide, CO(g), as shown in the balanced equation below:

$$Fe_2O_{3(s)}$$
 +  $3CO_{(g)}$   $\rightarrow$   $3CO_{2(g)}$  +  $2Fe_{(s)}$   $\Delta H = ?$ 

Determine the enthalpy change of this reaction, given the following equations and their enthalpy changes.

$$CO_{(g)} + \frac{1}{2}O_{2(g)} \rightarrow CO_{2(g)}$$
  $\Delta H = -283.0 \text{ kJ}$   $4Fe_{(s)} + 3O_{2(g)} \rightarrow 2Fe_2O_{3(s)}$   $\Delta H = -1648.4 \text{ kJ}$ 

(\*3) 
$$3CO_{(5)} + 3/2O_{2(5)} \rightarrow 3CO_{2(5)}$$

$$AH = -293.0 \times 5$$

(\*2)  $2 \times 3/2 - 3/2 = 0$ 

Thet:  $Fe_2O_{3(5)} + 3CO_{(5)} \rightarrow 3CO_{2(5)} + 2 Fe_{(5)}$ 

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\*\* Oz subtract to zero: don't appear in net rxn.

POTENTIAL ENERGY DIAGRAM  $3C0 + \frac{3}{2}Oz$  AH = 3(-283.0 NS) OH = -849 NS  $3CO_2 + \text{Fez}O_3$ 

Rxn Coord.

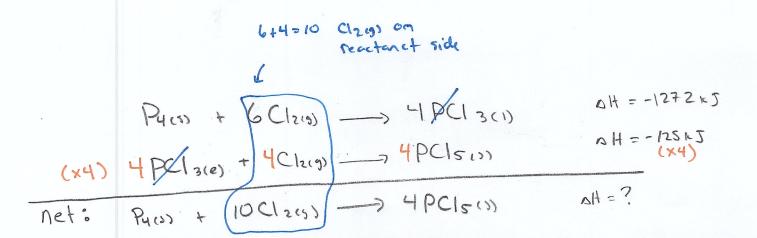
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2. From the following information, calculate the enthalpy of formation of solid phosphorus pentachloride.

$$P_{4(s)} + 6Cl_{2(g)} \rightarrow 4PCl_{3(l)}$$

$$PCI_{3(l)}$$
 +  $CI_{2(g)}$   $\rightarrow$   $PCI_{5(s)}$ 

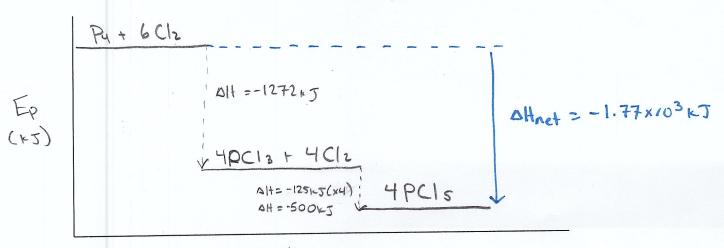
$$\Delta H = -125 \text{ kJ}$$



$$\Delta H = (-1272kJ) + (-125kJ)(4)$$

$$\Delta H = -1.77 \times 10^{3} kS \text{ or } -1.77 MJ$$

# POTENTIAL ENERGY DIAGRAM



Rxn Coordinate

3. Several reactions are listed below.

$$\begin{split} &C_2H_{2(g)} + 2 \ H_{2(g)} \to C_2H_{6(g)} \\ &2 \ H_2O_{(g)} \to 2 \ H_{2(g)} + O_{2(g)} \\ &2 \ C_2H_{6(g)} + 7 \ O_{2(g)} \to 4 \ CO_{2(g)} + 6H_2O_{(g)} \end{split} \qquad \Delta H^o = -94.5 \ kJ$$

Use the information above to calculate the standard enthalpy change for the following reaction:

$$4 \ CO_{2(g)} \ + \ 2 \ H_2O_{(g)} \ \rightarrow \ 2 \ C_2H_{2(g)} \ + \ 5 \ O_{2(g)}$$

(x2) 
$$\frac{1}{2}$$
  $\frac{1}{4}$   $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$ 

# **Practice Problems**

1. Use the following reactions and enthalpy changes to calculate the standard molar enthalpy change for  $NO_{2(g)}$  when involved in the reaction  $2NO_2(g) + 2H_2O(g) \rightarrow 3O_2(g) + N_2H_4(g)$ .

$$N_2(g) + 2O_2(g) \rightarrow 2NO_2(g)$$
  $\Delta H^\circ = +66.4 \text{ kJ}$ 
 $H_2(g) + \frac{1}{2}O_2(g) \rightarrow H_2O(g)$   $\Delta H^\circ = -241.8 \text{ kJ}$ 
 $N_2(g) + 2H_2(g) \rightarrow N_2H_4(g)$   $\Delta H^\circ = +47.6 \text{ kJ}$ 

Use the following reactions to calculate the amount of energy (in MJ) required to produce 200g of hydrogen gas when produced in the reaction CH<sub>4(g)</sub> + NH<sub>3(g)</sub> → HCN<sub>(g)</sub> + 3H<sub>2(g)</sub>.

$$N_{2 (g)} + 3H_{2 (g)} \longrightarrow 2NH_{3 (g)}$$
  $\Delta H = -91.8 \text{ kJ}$   
 $C_{(s)} + 2H_{2 (g)} \longrightarrow CH_{4 (g)}$   $\Delta H = -74.9 \text{ kJ}$   
 $H_{2 (g)} + 2C_{(s)} + N_{2 (g)} \longrightarrow 2HCN_{(g)}$   $\Delta H = +270.3 \text{ kJ}$ 

3. Find the mass of  $N_2H_{4(I)}$  consumed when 950kJ of energy is released from the reaction  $N_2H_4(I) + CH_4O(I) \rightarrow CH_2O(g) + N_2(g) + 3H_2(g)$ , given the following information:

$$2NH_{3}(g) \rightarrow N_{2}H_{4}(I) + H_{2}(g)$$
  $\Delta H = +22.5 \text{ kJ}$   
 $2NH_{3}(g) \rightarrow N_{2}(g) + 3H_{2}(g)$   $\Delta H = +57.5 \text{ kJ}$   
 $CH_{2}O(g) + H_{2}(g) \rightarrow CH_{4}O(I)$   $\Delta H = +81.2 \text{ kJ}$ 

#### **Answers**

- 1. +232.4 kJ/mol
- 2. +8.45 MJ
- 3. 659 g

## Hess's Law Review

1. Use the following reactions to calculate the standard molar enthalpy change for the complete combustion of cycloheptane ( $C_7H_{14}$ ) in a closed system.

$$\begin{array}{lll} C_{(s)} \, + \, O_{2(g)} \, \to \, CO_{2(g)} & \Delta H^{\circ} = - \, 393.5 \; kJ \\ H_{2(g)} \, + \, 1\!\!\!/_{2} \, O_{2(g)} \, \to \, H_{2}O_{(g)} & \Delta H^{\circ} = - \, 241.8 \; kJ \\ 7C_{(s)} \, + \, 7H_{2 \; (g)} \, \to \, C_{7}H_{14(l)} & \Delta H^{\circ} = + \, 115.0 \; kJ \\ H_{2}O_{(l)} \, \to \, H_{2}O_{(g)} & \Delta H^{\circ} = + \, 40.7 \; kJ \end{array}$$