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Corequisite: Chem 121 Lecture

Required:

- *General Chemistry: Lab Text for Chemistry 121/122*, Linda M. Wilkes, Fountainhead Press
- Approved safety goggles (available at CSU-Pueblo bookstore)

Tentative Course Schedule

Day	Experiment	Report Due Date
Aug 25	No Lab	
Sept 1	Check-in, Course Intro, and Safety	
Sept 8	Lab Equipment & Measurement Technique	Sept 15
Sept 15	Measurement Technique & Density	Sept 22
Sept 22	Formula of an oxide (Handout)	Sept 29
Sept 29	Aqueous Reactions	Oct 6
Oct 6	Introduction to Calorimetry (Handout)	Oct 13
Oct 13	A Hess's Law Investigation	Oct 20
Oct 20	Midterm Exam	
Oct 24	Last day to withdraw with a "W"	
Oct 27	Synthesis of Aspirin	Nov 3
Nov 3	Colorimetric Determination of Aspirin Product	Nov 10
Nov 10	A Chemical Computation Experiment	Nov 17
Nov 17	Stoichiometry: Reaction of Mg and HCl	
Nov 24	Thanksgiving Break	Dec 1
Dec 1	Final Exam and Checkout	

Grading Policy:

Lab reports 70%
 Prelab Questions 15%
 Exams 15%

NOTE: YOU WILL NOT PASS THE COURSE BY SIMPLY ATTENDING THE LAB—YOU MUST SUBMIT REASONABLY PREPARED LAB REPORTS AND QUESTIONS AND PERFORM AT A PASSING LEVEL ON EXAMS.

Grading Scale:

90 – 100% A
 80 - 89 B
 65 - 79 C
 56 - 64 D
 < 56% F

Policies:

1. Lab reports are due one week following completion of the lab (SEE ATTACHED DOCUMENTATION ON THE **REQUIRED FORMAT** OF LAB REPORTS).
2. Prelab questions for each lab experiment are **due the day** the lab experiment is to be performed **at the beginning** of the lab period.
3. Late labs will be deducted 25% off *per day late* for one day **only** (**no** reports will be accepted later than Friday, 2 pm of the week the lab report is due).
4. **No** makeup labs are allowed, the one, lowest lab report score is dropped and a missed lab experiment counts as a zero for that lab report.
5. The Colorado State University-Pueblo Catalog has a section on Academic Dishonesty on page 38. You should review the official university position on issues of conduct in the Student Code of Conduct Policies and Procedures Manual. Scientific honesty is particularly important in experimental work, i.e., in a field such as chemistry. The scientific body of knowledge on which the advancement of our civilization is based would not have been possible without the rigid integrity of the scientific observations that are its foundation. Your personal integrity is worth more than a few points on an exam. Cheating will be grounds for failure of the course.
6. This University abides by the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which stipulates that no student shall be denied the benefits of an education "solely by reason of a handicap." If you have a documented disability that may impact your work in this class and for which you may require accommodations, please see the Disability Resource Coordinator as soon as possible to arrange accommodations. In order to receive accommodations, you must be registered with and provide documentation of your disability to: the Disability Resource Office, which is located in the Psychology Building, Suite 232.
7. Should you decide not to complete the course, you must withdraw before Oct. 24, 5 pm in the Records office in order to receive a 'W' on your transcript.

CHEMISTRY 121/122
Requirements for Lab Reports

The main reason for the **Lab Report** is to show your instructor that you understand the experiment and can report on and make sense of your data. To that end, a **Lab Report** should include:

- I. A paragraph summarizing the objectives and concepts of the experiment—pretend that you are explaining the experiment to your roommate who has **not** taken any chemistry!
 - This is **NOT COPIED DIRECTLY FROM THE LABORATORY EXPERIMENT TEXT!** It is a compilation of information written in your own words (grammatically correct!) and it should have multiple sources: (1) your instructor's lecture; (2) your chemistry text; (3) your laboratory experiment text.
- II. All data collected—**make sure all data is labeled**—if it is not labeled, it is not submitted. Your data may be submitted directly by using the tear-out data sheets from your lab text (make sure they are neat and readable!).
- III. All calculations, shown clearly! The calculations can generally be on the data sheets with your data, however, if there is not enough room, you may need to submit an extra sheet of calculations.
 - The calculations should be organized such that they are easy to follow, show all steps of the calculations.
- IV. A paragraph summarizing your results must be included; both qualitative results (observations) as well as quantitative results (numerical).
 - In addition, you should *analyze* your results in this paragraph. For example, in one experiment you produced several different graphs by plotting some data in different forms. Some graphs were linear, some were non-linear. In your results you state which graphs were linear and which were non-linear. In your analysis or discussion of your results, you discuss **why** a linear relationship in the data is important and what it tells you about your data if the graph is linear and if the graph is non-linear.
- V. All calculations/answers to any post-lab questions, these may be submitted by using the tear-out post-lab questions in the lab text.

SAMPLE LAB REPORT

Vapor Pressure of Water

Part I:

Introduction (244 words)

The purpose of this experiment is to determine the molar heat of vaporization of water (ΔH_{vap}) using the Clausius-Clapeyron equation:^a (Chapter 11, Brown and LeMay)

$$\ln P = -\frac{\Delta H_{\text{vap}}}{RT} + A$$
^b

where P is the vapor pressure of water and T is the temperature of the water in Kelvin, R is the gas constant (8.314 J/mol·K) and A is a constant. The Clausius-Clapeyron equation exhibits a relationship between the natural log of the vapor pressure ($\ln P$) of a liquid and the reciprocal of the temperature ($1/T$) such that by plotting $\ln P$ (y-axis) vs $1/T$ (x-axis) a straight line occurs with a slope $= -\frac{\Delta H_{\text{vap}}}{R}$. In other words, the Clausius-Clapeyron equation is in the form of a straight line ($y = mx + b$)^c.

A liquid boils when its vapor pressure matches the prevailing atmospheric pressure so as atmospheric pressure decreases so does the temperature at which the liquid boils. This experiment will reduce the apparent atmospheric pressure in a closed flask of water and measure the boiling temperatures of the water under these different conditions of apparent atmospheric pressure^d. A set of corresponding vapor pressure and temperature values will be collected for the water under these conditions. The collected set of vapor

^aThe purpose and concept used is clearly stated. Note that the text book is referenced as being a source of information

^bAny mathematical equations or chemical equations that describe the experiment should be clearly given—not in a text line, but on a separate line—with symbols defined

^cThe relationship between the purpose (finding ΔH_{vap}) and the mathematical relationship (Clausius-Clapeyron equation) is explained.

^dA very brief and conceptual description of how the data is to be obtained may be necessary, but any specific experimental procedure should **not** be given in the introduction.

pressure/temperature data are then plotted^e in order to find the slope of the straight line so that the ΔH_{vap} can be calculated:

$$\Delta H_{\text{vap}} = -(\text{slope})(R)$$

The literature value listed for the molar heat of vaporization of water is $\Delta H_{\text{vap}} = 40.67 \text{ kJ/mol}$ ^f.

Part II: Data

This section should contain the tear-out data sheets from the lab text and any Excel graphs generated.

Part III: Calculations

This section should contain all calculations necessary to obtain the experimental results from the experimental data and should be on the tear-out data sheets. Extra pages may be included for calculations if there is not enough room on the tear-out sheets.

Part IV: (278 words) Results and Discussion

The Clausius-Clapeyron equation gives the relationship between the vapor pressure and temperature of a liquid^a:

$$\ln P = -\frac{\Delta H_{\text{vap}}}{RT} + A$$

Given that a liquid boils when its vapor pressure is equal to the atmospheric pressure, we were able to acquire^b vapor pressure data at different temperatures by reducing the pressure inside a flask of water and gradually heating the water to determine its vapor pressure and

^eNote the use of more formal language here “data are plotted” rather than “we plotted the data”.

^fIf there are known or literature values for the expected results, they should be given

Note: the spacing is 1.5 lines to allow for easier reading, comments and corrections.

Make sure all data is given in the correct number of significant digits and has the appropriate units.

Calculations should be organized and written neatly, showing all units.

^aA brief review of the concepts is appropriate, showing any mathematical or chemical equations that are important.

^bNote the use of first person; for our purposes, the R&D can be written a little more informally than the introduction, which should be written in third person.

respective boiling temperature under conditions of lower apparent atmospheric pressure. The plot of $\ln P$ vs $1/T$ produced a nearly straight line with a linear best-fit shown by the equation $y = -4635.1x + 18.985$ and a correlation coefficient of $R^2 = 0.9989$ (1.000 is a perfect fit). The correlation coefficient indicates^c that the data points fit the straight best-fit line quite well. The slope of the line (slope = -4635.1 K) is related to the molar heat of vaporization of water:

$$\Delta H_{\text{vap}} = -(\text{slope})(R)$$

The calculated value of $\Delta H_{\text{vap}} = 38.5 \text{ kJ/mol}$ ^d was determined from the slope of the plotted data. The literature value is $\Delta H_{\text{vap}} = 40.67 \text{ kJ/mol}$ and the error is 5.24%^e. It should be noted that the result for the calculated molar heat of vaporization is only as good as the slope of the best straight-line fit of the data. In addition, the calibration of the thermister and the pressure sensors is extremely important in the collection of accurate data. If the calibration of either (or both) of the units is incorrect, a small variation in slope can greatly affect the calculated value^f (a slope of -3635 K instead of -4635 K would produce a $\Delta H_{\text{vap}} = 30.2 \text{ kJ/mol}$, over 10 kJ/mol lower than the literature value!).

Part V: Questions/Answers

Post-lab questions answered and submitted on the tear-out lab sheet in the lab text.

^dThe slope is given with the final experimental result as well as the mathematical relationship.

^eSince a literature value is known, an experimental error can be calculated.

^fThere should be a brief discussion of what could cause error in the experiment—and this is **not** “I misread the balance”! This should be error that can occur from conditions in the collection of data and the processing of the data.