

Calculation of standard molar enthalpy and Gibbs free energy of formation anhydrous silicates

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Abstract

In the present work a method for calculating the standard molar enthalpy and Gibbs free energy of formation anhydrous silicates is proposed. The method is based on the principles of structural analogy and additivity of properties involving thermodynamics of substances and information on parameters which are considered insufficiently defined. Testing of the proposed method at thermodynamic evaluation of reactions, involving anhydrous silicates, has yielded positive results - chemical equilibrium estimation error does not exceed 1-3%.

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Introduction

In the last three decades various thermodynamic research methods, including the method of minimizing the Gibbs free energy, were worked out in different areas of science and technology. The basis of these methods are calculations involving assessment and establishment of equilibrium chemical reactions requiring a variety of source data scattered in different reference books. Even under increasing virtual search capabilities it is often time-consuming to calculate a set of reactions. The complexities are aggravated in case of lack of information on the thermodynamic properties of the substances involved in the reactions.

One of the methods proposed by (Matveev, 1957), creates the possibility of calculating $\Delta H_{f,298}^{\circ}$ and $\Delta G_{f,298}^{\circ}$ for meta- and orthosilicates of II group of the periodic table, and for its application in any binary and ternary silicate systems it is necessary to establish amount of energy introduced by the metal cation and the contribution in the formation of silica framework. Another method (Chao-Hsia Chen, 1975), requires the use of regression analysis, determining the ex-

trapolated values of the independent variable and the mineral; other method by (Hoppe, 1958) requires the knowledge of chloride and oxide data; in the case of method proposed by (Karapetyan, 1954), it is limited by metasilicates (Chao-Hsia Chen, 1975). One more method (Turkdogan & Pearson, 1953) requires data on molecular volumes of related groups of compounds, and one more method (Gvelesiani & Baghdavadze, 2006) involves application of quasi-additive method with the possibility of changing the parameters of ions depending on the charge quantity in the case of ionic crystals, and in the case of double oxides - taking into account the number of oxygen in the compound, stoichiometry factor and constants of so-called central cation. In the case of ternary oxides a series of experiments are recommended.

Unique for a number of solids is, in our opinion, the method proposed by Landia for determining C_p, T . Long before the development of computational chemistry he had proposed an algorithm for defining high temperature heat capacities according to standard entropy (Landya, 1990).

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In the case of anhydrous silicates these methods are those for calculation of $\Delta H_{f,298}^{\circ}$ and $\Delta G_{f,298}^{\circ}$, proposed in the works of different scholars (Matveev, 1957; Chao-Hsia Chen, 1975; Hoppe, 1958; Karapetyan, 1954), and of $S_{f,298}^{\circ}$ and $C_p=f(T)$ proposed by other group of scholars (Turkdogan & Pearson, 1953; Landya, 1990; Gvelesiani & Baghdavdze, 2006).

However, each of them is characterized by certain drawbacks limiting the application of the method or hindering fast and easy obtaining of reliable outcomes.

Testing of the proposed method at thermodynamic evaluation of reactions, involving anhydrous silicates, has yielded positive results - chemical equilibrium estimation error does not exceed 1-3%.

Working Methodology

To reduce the time required for establishing the thermodynamic properties of the substances involved in the reactions, the method of calculation of standard molar enthalpy and Gibbs free energy of formation anhydrous silicates is proposed by us. The method is based on the classification of $[\text{SiO}_2]$ -tetrahedra according to their chemical charging, structural analogy and additivity of properties.

Results

All silicates can be classified according to individual groups of compounds having the same type of silicon-oxygen radical by the O/Si ratio. These groups can be presented as it is shown in Figure. 1. (Appen, 1970).

Analysis of the data shown in Table 1 shows that each silicate of any crystallochemical group can be obtained by coupling a compound with less developed silicon-oxygen grid with more developed one or by combination of a compound without this grid (frame) with a compound having the frame. For example, subgroups of olivine silicates can be obtained by the following schemes:

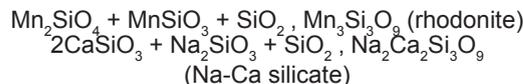
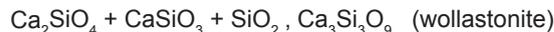


Sorosilicates can be obtained according to the scheme:



In these schemes MgO, CaO, CaAl_2O_4 are substances not characterized by silicon-oxygen grid and the rest have the grids respective to the group of silicates with doubled discrete and discrete grid orientation.

As examples of combination of raw materials having different silicon-oxygen-oriented grid may serve ring silicates, which are subdivided into the ring and genuine ring silicates. Ring silicates are obtained according to the schemes:



In the first two schemes, there are combined substances of higher (CaSiO_3 , MnSiO_3) and lower (Ca_2SiO_4 , Mn_2SiO_4) orientations than those of the desired ones. In the third scheme starting silicates have the orientation corresponding to the distribution of metasilicate in silicon-oxygen grid (SiO_2).

In genuine ring silicates substances without characteristic orientation of silicates, as a rule, are combined with the substance with the highest degree of orientation. The former include aluminates, and the second - silica:



The substances located on the left side of the above schemes are called "structural components".

Analysis of the database of thermodynamic properties of silicates (Babushkin, Matveev & Mchedlov – Petrosyan, 1986; Yokokama Hamumi, 1988), showed that most reliable are standard molar values of those substances (SMV), used as structural components. This made it possible to calculate SMV of most silicates, SMV of which are also considered as reliably established and compare the results of calculations with those in the database.

For example, in Figure 2 and Figure 3 there are given calculations of SMV for nesosilicates and sorosilicates and also the results of comparisons.

Based on the information provided in Figure 2 and Figure 3, it can be concluded that the error in determining the SMV of the silicates with discrete and dual discrete types of silicon-oxygen grid, as well as in other types, does not exceed 1% which is quite acceptable for establishing $\Delta H_{f,298}^{\circ}$ and $\Delta G_{f,298}^{\circ}$ for those anhydrous silicates SMV of which are not defined. It requires the knowledge of structural components and the values of their $\Delta H_{f,298}^{\circ}$ and $\Delta G_{f,298}^{\circ}$, affiliation of the test substance to a particular type of silicates and leveling ratio (K_L):

Information about structural components and K_L by types of crystallochemical grids are given in Figure 4.

Conclusion

In conclusion, calculated data for thermodynamically unstudied anhydrous silicates with different orientations of tetrahedra of values $\Delta H_{f,298}^{\circ}$ and $\Delta G_{f,298}^{\circ}$ were used for the assessment of many thermodynamic reactions for determining confidence limit. There were determined $\Delta G_{f,298}^{\circ}$ of these reactions using the Ulih first-order approximation, the method of Gibbs free energy minimization and the first consequence of the Hess law. Comparison of the obtained results permits the conclusion that it is possible to use the method proposed by the authors for an approximate estimation of technological processes – divergence in results obtained does not exceed 1-3%. Values of $S_{f,298}^{\circ}$, used in the given calculations, were defined by specific methods (Turkdogan & Pearson, 1953; Gvelesiani & Baghdavdze, 2006).

№	Type of silicon-oxygen tetrahedral unit by O/Si ratio	Designation of the state of tetrahedral unit		Name of the group of silicates
		The first	The second	
1	[SiO ₂] Continuous in three dimensions	 — Si — 	[SiO ₄] ⁰	Tectosilicates (three-dimensional framework of tetrahedral units) A _m (XO ₂) _n
2	[SiO ₅] Continuous in two dimensions	 — Si — O	[SiO _{3/2+1/1}] ¹⁻	Layer silicates (tetrahedral layer) A _m (X ₂ O ₅) _n
3	[SiO ₃] Continuous in one dimension (metasilicates)	O — Si — O	[SiO _{2/2+2/1}] ²⁻	Chain silicates (tetrahedral chains) A _m (XO ₃) _n Ring silicates (rings of tetrahedra) A _m (XO ₃) _n ; A _m (S ₃ O ₉) _n ; A _m (S ₄ O ₁₂) _n or A _m (S ₁₆ O ₁₈) _n
4	[Si ₂ O ₇] ₂ Discrete dual tetrahedron	O — Si—O O	[SiO _{1/2+3/1}] ³⁻	Sorosilicates (dual sorosilicates) A _m (X ₂ O ₇) _n
5	[SiO ₄] Discrete tetrahedron (orthosilicates)	O O—Si—O O	[SiO ₄] ⁴⁻	Nesosilicates (isolated tetrahedra) A _m (XO ₄) _n

 Figure 1. Classification of silicates according to the charging of [SiO₃]-tetrahedral unit

Compounds	ΔH _{f,298} ^o standard (ST) kJ/mol	Structural components		ΔH _{f,298} ^o intermediate (int) kJ/mol	K _{cor} = $\frac{\Delta H_{f,298}^o(st)}{\Delta H_{f,298}^o(int)}$	K _{lev}	ΔH _{f,298} ^o (cal) kJ/mol	Error		Note
		Compounds	ΔH _{f,298} ^o (st) kJ/mol					ΔH _{f,298} ^o (st) - ΔH _{f,298} ^o (cal) kJ/mol	%	
Forsterite 2MgO·SiO ₂	520,53	MgO·SiO ₂ MgO	370,25 143,84	514,09	1,013	0,015	521,80	+0,97	0,19	st-standard int-intermediate cor-correction lev-leveling Values of ΔH _{f,298} ^o (st) and ΔG _{f,298} ^o (st) are taken from (Appen. A. A. 1970) cal-calculation
Fayalite 2FeO·SiO ₂	354,83	FeO·SiO ₂ FeO	285,89 63,44	349,33	1,016		354,57	-0,26	0,07	
Tephroite 2MnO·SiO ₂	413,55	MnO·SiO ₂ MnO	315,65 92,00	407,65	1,015		413,76	-0,21	0,05	
Monticellite CaO·MgO·SiO ₂	540,91	CaO·SiO ₂ MgO	389,75 143,84	533,59	1,014		541,59	-0,68	0,13	
Merwinite 3CaO·MgO·2SiO ₂	1091,67	2(CaO·SiO ₂) CaO MgO	779,50 151,90 143,84	1075,24	1,015		1091,37	+0,30	0,03	
Larnite β-2 CaO·SiO ₂	551,74	CaO·SiO ₂ CaO	389,75 151,90	541,65	1,019		551,94	+0,20	0,04	

 Figure 2. Sequence and the results of calculation of ΔH_{f,298}^o of some nesosilicates

Compounds	$-\Delta G_{f,298}^{\circ}$ (st) kJ/mol	Compounds	$-\Delta G_{f,298}^{\circ}$ (st) kJ/mol	$-\Delta G_{f,298}^{\circ}$ (int) kJ/mol	K_{cor}	K_{lev}	$-\Delta G_{f,298}^{\circ}$ (cal) kJ/mol	Δ kJ/mol	%	Note
Forsterite	492,15	MgO·SiO ₂ MgO	349,48 136,13	485,61	1,013	0,015	492,8	0,65	0,13	Values $\Delta H_{f,298}^{\circ}$ (st) are taken from (Appen. A. A. 1970)
Fayalite	330,75	FeO·SiO ₂ FeO	267,32 58,40	325,72	1,015		330,6	-0,15	0,04	
Tephroite	389,58	MnO·SiO ₂ MnO	296,55 86,80	383,35	1,016		389,10	-0,48	0,12	
Monticellite	512,14	CaO·SiO ₂ MgO	369,75 136,13	505,88	1,012		513,46	1,32	0,25	
Merwinite	1037,33 1033,59 Average 1035,41	2(CaO·SiO ₂) CaO MgO	739,50 144,4 136,13	1020,03	1,015		1035,60	0,19	0,02	
Larnite	524,19	CaO·SiO ₂ CaO	369,75 144,40	514,15	1,019		523,90	-0,29	0,05	

Figure 3. Sequence and the results of calculation of $\Delta G_{f,298}^{\circ}$ of some nesosilicates

Group of silicates	Structural components	$K_L \Delta H$ ($\Delta H_{f,298}$)	K_L ($\Delta G_{f,298}$)
Nesosilicates	RO+RO·SiO ₂ R'O+R''+2 R'O·SiO ₂ 2 RO·SiO ₂ +RO·R ₂ O ₃	1,015	1,005
Sorosilicates	R'O+R''+2(R'O·SiO ₂) RO+2(RO·SiO ₂) RO·SiO ₂ + RO·R ₂ O ₃	1,005	1,008
Ring silicates	2 RO·SiO ₂ + RO·SiO ₂ + SiO ₂ 2(RO·SiO ₂)+R' ₂ O·SiO ₂ 2 RO·SiO ₂ + RO·SiO ₂ +2R'O·SiO ₂ + R'O·SiO ₂ +2SiO ₂ 2(2 RO·SiO ₂)+ R'O·SiO ₂ +2 SiO ₂	1,007	1,010
Genuine ring silicates	2(RO·R' ₂ O ₃)+5SiO ₂	0,994	1,026
Chain silicates	2(R ₂ O·SiO ₂)+ 2 RO·SiO ₂ R ₂ O·3SiO ₂ + R' ₂ O ₃ +SiO ₂ RO·SiO ₂ + R'O·SiO ₂	1,005	1,007
Layer silicates	R ₂ O·SiO ₂ +SiO ₂ R ₂ O·SiO ₂ +3(RO·SiO ₂)+2SiO ₂ R ₂ O·SiO ₂ +RO·SiO ₂ +3SiO ₂ R ₂ O·SiO ₂ +2(RO·SiO ₂)+3SiO ₂	1,007	1,006
Tectosilicates	R ₂ O·2SiO ₂ + R ₂ O ₃ R ₂ O·4SiO ₂ + R ₂ O ₃ RO·SiO ₂ + R ₂ O ₃ + SiO ₂ R ₂ O·4SiO ₂ +Al ₂ O ₃ + 2Al ₂ O ₃ R ₂ O·3SiO ₂ +Al ₂ O ₃ + 3 SiO ₂	1,015 1,008	1,015 1,009

Figure 4. Structural components and leveling ratios of different groups of anhydrous silicates *

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