

Statements of the third law

•The Gibbs-Helmholtz equation:

$$G = H + T \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T} \right)_p$$

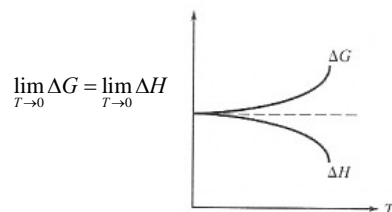
•For an isothermal process:

$$\Delta G = \Delta H + T \left(\frac{\partial(\Delta G)}{\partial T} \right)_p$$

•These equations imply:

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow 0} \Delta G = \lim_{T \rightarrow 0} \Delta H$$

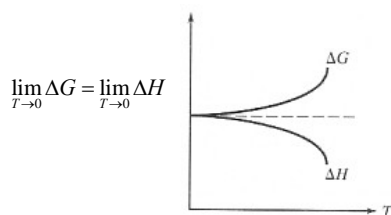
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•Nernst postulated the following:

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\partial(\Delta G)}{\partial T} \right]_p = 0, \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\partial(\Delta H)}{\partial T} \right]_p = 0$$

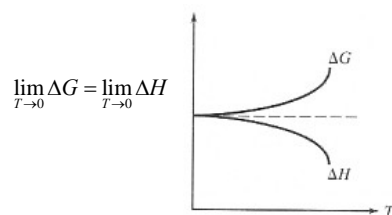
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•Nernst postulate implies that:

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\partial(G_2 - G_1)}{\partial T} \right]_p = \lim_{T \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\partial G_2}{\partial T} - \frac{\partial G_1}{\partial T} \right] = \lim_{T \rightarrow 0} [S_1 - S_2] = 0$$

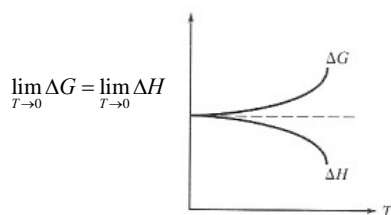
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•The Nernst formulation of the Third Law:

'All reactions in a liquid or solid in thermal equilibrium take place with no change of entropy in the neighborhood of absolute zero.'

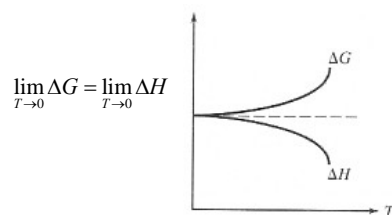
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•Planck later postulated that:

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T} \right)_p = 0, \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial T} \right)_p = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow 0} S = 0$$

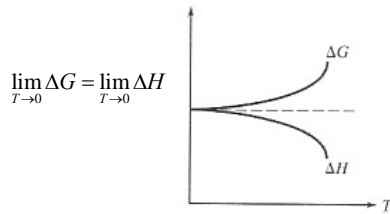
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•Planck's statement of the Third Law:

'The entropy of all systems in internal equilibrium is the same at absolute zero, and may be taken to be zero.'

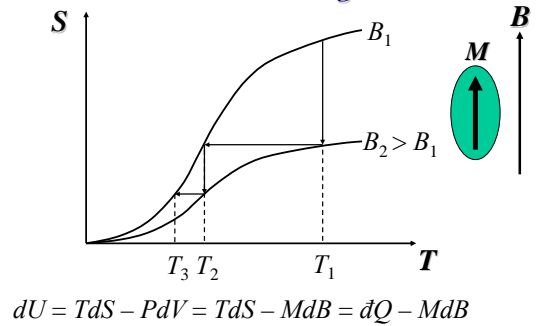
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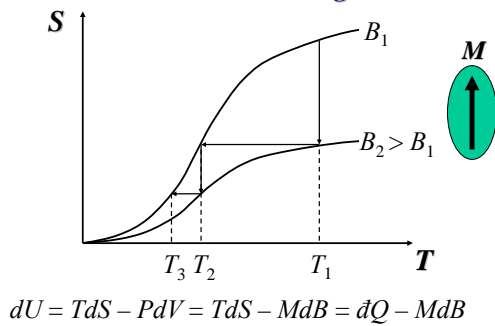
• Another statement of the Third Law is:

'It is impossible to reduce the temperature of a system to absolute zero using a finite number of processes.'

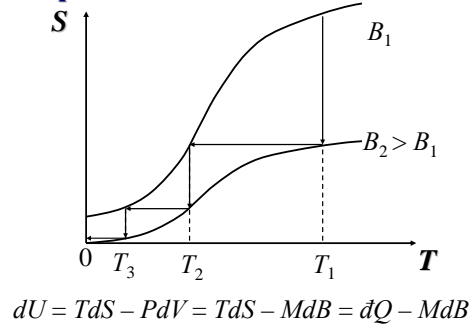
Adiabatic cooling



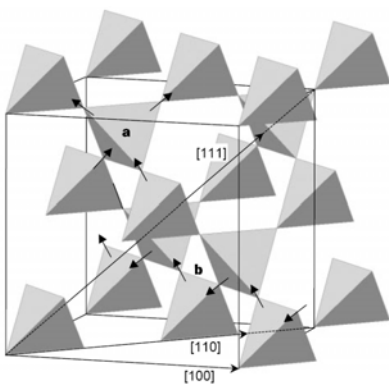
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Equivalence of the 3rd law statements



Ice violates the Planck 3rd Law



$$\lim_{T \rightarrow 0} C_p = \lim_{T \rightarrow 0} C_v = 0$$

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial p} \right)_T = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{T \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_p = \lim_{T \rightarrow 0} \beta_p = 0$$