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# **Contents for previous class**

Bonding type: covalent, ionic, metallic, van der waals, hydrogen bond

Glass has one of those bonding.

Table 2.1 Examples of glass-formers for the major types of bonding

Type of bond	Material
Covalent	As, Se, Se
Ionic	$KNO_3 - Ca(NO_3)_2$
Metallic	Zr-Cu, Ni-Nb
Van der Waals'	ortho terphenyl
Hydrogen bond	KHSO <sub>4</sub> , ice, aqueous solution of ionic salts (e.g. LiCl)

Some examples which do not fit into any one category.

Ex) Silica : some ionic + predominant covalent



#### Ehrenfest Classification of Phase Transitions

- First Order Phase Transition at T<sub>T</sub>:
  - G is <u>continuous</u> at T<sub>T</sub>

- First derivatives of G (V, S, H) are discontinuous at T<sub>T</sub>

$$V = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial P}\right)_T \qquad S = -\left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T}\right)_P \qquad H = G - T\left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T}\right)_P$$

– Second derivatives of G ( $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , C<sub>p</sub>) are <u>discontinuous</u> at T<sub>T</sub>

$$C_P = \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial T}\right)_P \qquad \qquad \alpha = \frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\right)_P \qquad \qquad \beta = \frac{-1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial P}\right)_T$$

 Examples: Vaporization, Condensation, Fusion, Crystallization, Sublimation.



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"Second Order" Transition

First Order Transition

## 1) Difference of $C_p$ at $T_g$ depending on materials



2) change of  $T_q$ s depending on alloy compositions



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## 3) $T_g$ depends on thermal history.

#### Kinetic Nature of the Glass Transition



## Kinetic Nature of the Glass Transition (cont.)

- The glass transition is not a true second order transition but only a "pseudo" second order phase transition
  - 1) the glass is not an equilibrium phase (i.e. its properties depend on time)
  - 2) the glass transition temperature depends on the rate at which it is measured. The glass transition will therefore be defined over a range of temperatures and pressures.
- An approximate but useful relationship is  $T_G = (2/3) T_M$
- What is the origin of the kinetic nature of T<sub>G</sub>? The answer to this question is associated with the time scale for "relaxation of the structure" (return to equilibrium after a perturbation is communicated to the material: change in T or P). It is therefore related to whether or not the material properties (e.g density) can preserve their equilibrium value during the perturbation.

### Temperature Dependence of Liquid Viscosity



Temperature

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Viscosity is a measure of the resistance to flow. The higher T, the larger the average size of the holes and the larger the energy of the molecules, the easier the molecule move past oneanother, the lower the resistance to flow.

#### • Formation of glass during cooling

- At high T, molecular motion in the liquid is very fast and a change in T can lead to rapid ("instantaneous") molecular rerrangements. During cooling at high temperatures, the system's average free energy is <u>always minimum</u> (i.e. the liquid is at equilibrium at all times during cooling).
- At lower T, the rate of molecular motion becomes lower. The material preserves equilibrium properties during cooling as long as the rate of molecular rearrangement (required by the change in T) is larger than the rate at which the perturbation is exerted on the material (i.e. cooling rate).
- At some temperature (which we will denote as T<sub>g</sub>), molecular motions become slower than the rate at which the temperature is changed. The material has no longer sufficient time during cooling to remain in equilibrium (i.e. to exhibit the equilibrium properties, e.g. specific volume) : the relaxation time scale is larger than the experimental time scale, the material does not respond instantaneously to the perturbation.

- The above statements explain the dependence of the measured glass transition temperature on the rate of cooling.
- A similar discussion can be applied to the effect of pressure.
- The fact that the rate of molecular motion decreases with temperature can be qualitatively explained on the basis of free volume concepts\* (molecular motion is afforded by the existence of empty spaces between molecules). The higher the temperature, the higher the specific volume of the material (for a given number of molecules), the higher the free volume in the material, the higher the rate of molecular motion.
- The fact that the material is not in equilibrium below Tg because it did not have sufficient time to reach the equilibrium configuration (S) and density, therefore energy or enthalpy (H) during cooling explains why the specific volume decreases with time at a given  $T < T_G$  (phenomenon of physical aging of glasses)

\* free volume theory will be expanded upon later.

#### Controversies in Amorphous Solids: The Kauzmann Paradox

If we extrapolate the specific volume of the liquid from above T<sub>M</sub> to temperatures much below  $T_{G}$ , one must accept that at some temperature  $T_K$  well above 0 K, the specific volume, the enthalpy and the entropy of the equilibrium liquid would become lower than that of the crystal... Since the above statement is not possible (Kauzmann paradox), two solutions are possible:



1) at some temperature  $(T_K)$ , there is a true 2nd order phase tansition between the liquid and the glass or 2) the extrapolation to temperatures far below  $T_G$  is not valid. So far no one has found the answer !!

- Ideal glass transition temperature  $(T_{oc})$ 
  - : lower temperature limit to occur glass transition thermodynamically



Variation of (a)  $C_p$  and (b) excess entropy, S depending on temp. for glass, crystal and liquid. Ideal glass transition temp,  $T_{\rm oc}$  is the temperature when excess entropy is disappeared.

# Value of the Prigogine Defay Ratio: R

- Continuity conditions for G or  $\mu$  at a first order phase transition allowed us to derive the Clapeyron equation  $\left(\frac{dP}{dT}\right) = \frac{\Delta S}{\Delta V} = \frac{\Delta H}{T\Delta V}$
- If T<sub>G</sub> is a second order transition, continuity of V and S at T<sub>G</sub> leads to two similar relations between materials parameters and state variables.

$$V_{G} = V_{L} \quad dV_{G} = dV_{L}$$

$$dV_{G} = \alpha_{G} V_{G} dT - \kappa_{G} V_{G} dP$$

$$dV_{L} = \alpha_{L} V_{L} dT - \kappa_{L} V_{L} dP$$

$$S_{G} = S_{L} \quad dS_{G} = dS_{L}$$

$$dS_{G} = (C_{P}^{G}/T)dT - \alpha_{G} V_{G} dP$$

$$dS_{L} = (C_{P}^{L}/T)dT - \alpha_{L} V_{L} dP$$

$$\Delta C_{P} \Delta \kappa$$

The Prigogine-Defay ratio, R, defined by: must be equal to unity.

 $R = \frac{1}{VT(\Delta \alpha)^2}$ 

# **The Clapeyron equation**

For stable equilibrium states it holds:

dg - vdP + sdT = 0 &  $d\mu - vdP + sdT = 0$ specific Gibbs function Gibbs-Duhem relation

i.e. the chemical potential coincides with the specific Gibbs function for a unary system. During a phase change, neither pressure nor temperature vary, hence

$$dg = 0 \Leftrightarrow g_1 = g_2$$
 &  $d\mu = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mu_1 = \mu_2$ 

We will demonstrate that the Clausius-Clapeyron Eq. represents the inclination of the locus of points in the *PT* plane for which it holds  $\mu_1 = \mu_2$ .

Nota Bene: the specific volume and entropy, defined as  $v = \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial P}\right)_T$  and  $s = -\left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial T}\right)_P$  may be discontinuous at the interface.

The situations described here are the so called *first-order* phase change, because discontinuity occurs not in the specific Gibbs function but in its first derivative.

# The Clapeyron equation



assuming 
$$dP_{AB} = dP_{A'B'} \approx 0$$
  
 $dT_{AB} = dT_{A'B'} \approx 0$  we have:

 $\mu_{A} = \mu_{A'} \& \mu_{B} = \mu_{B'}$  $\mu_B - \mu_A = -sdT + vdP$  $\mu_{B'} - \mu_{A'} = -s'dT + v'dP$  phase equilibrium

**Gibbs-Duhem** for each phase

$$\frac{dP}{dT} = \frac{s' - s}{v' - v} \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad \frac{dP}{dT} = \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta v}$$

where  $\Delta v$ ,  $\Delta s$  represent the discontinuity in specific entropy and volume. Since the latent heat is equal to  $L = T \Delta s$ , it yields

$$\frac{dP}{dT} = \frac{L}{T(v'-v)}$$
 Clausius-Clayperon

for thermally perfect gases  $v \ll v'$ , hence

$$\frac{dP}{dT} = \frac{L}{Tv'} = \frac{PL}{R_v T^2}$$
$$\bigcup_{n \in P_{S,\infty}} = -\frac{L}{R_v T} + const.$$

approximation of sublimation good & evaporation curves, although the Eq. of perfect gases is much more accurate near the triple point than at the critical point.