

# Thermodynamics of Earth systems

## Lecture 6: Entropy, the Second Law of Thermodynamics (continued)

# Material covered in Lecture

## Part 2: Framework

### *Entropy and the 2nd law*

- Entropy: reversible and irreversible processes; Clausius inequality; Boltzmann-Gibbs statistical picture of entropy
- Heat engines, Carnot Cycle and the maximum efficiency
- Applications of heat engines and Carnot Efficiency to atmosphere, ocean and deep earth
- 2nd Law of thermodynamics
- First and second laws combined; Energy functions (Gibbs and Helmholtz)

### *Other*

- Energy functions; Maxwell Equations
- Definition of Thermodynamic Equilibrium (single component system, multicomponent system).

### *Phase Equilibria*

- Gibbs phase rule: thermodynamic degrees of freedom, phases and components
- Energy in phase changes and chemical reactions

# Thermodynamic relationships

Euler's relationship :  $du = Mdx + Ndy$   
and  $du$  is an exact differential, then

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

So:  $du = -pdv + Tds \Rightarrow \frac{\partial(-p)}{\partial s} = \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial v}\right)$

$$dh = vdp + Tds \Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial p}\right) = \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial s}\right)$$

$$da = -pdv - sdT \Rightarrow \frac{\partial(-s)}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial(-p)}{\partial T}$$

$$dg = vdp - sdT \Rightarrow \frac{\partial(-s)}{\partial p} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial T}$$

Maxwell's relations

# Thermodynamic relationships

Also, from the definition of equilibrium:

$$du=0 = Tds - pdv \Rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial s}{\partial v} \right)_{u=\text{const}} = \frac{p}{T}$$

$$dh=0 = Tds + vdp \Rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial s}{\partial p} \right)_{h=\text{const}} = - \frac{v}{T}$$

$$da=0 = -sdt - pdv \Rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial T} \right)_{a=\text{const}} = - \frac{s}{p}$$

$$dg=0 = -sdt + vdp \Rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial T} \right)_{g=\text{const}} = \frac{s}{v}$$



# Thermodynamic relationships



Finally, from the definition of an exact diff

$$u(s, v): \left. \begin{aligned} du &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} ds + \frac{\partial u}{\partial v} dv \\ \text{but } du &= T \cdot ds - p \cdot dv \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} = T; \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial v} = -p$$

$$h(s, p): \left. \begin{aligned} dh &= \frac{\partial h}{\partial s} ds + \frac{\partial h}{\partial p} dp \\ \text{but } dh &= T ds + v dp \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial h}{\partial s} = T; \quad \frac{\partial h}{\partial p} = v$$

$$a(T, v): \left. \begin{aligned} da &= \frac{\partial a}{\partial T} dT + \frac{\partial a}{\partial v} dv \\ \text{but } da &= -s dT - p dv \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial a}{\partial T} = -s; \quad \frac{\partial a}{\partial v} = -p$$



$$g(T, p): \left. \begin{aligned} dg &= \frac{\partial g}{\partial T} dT + \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} dp \\ \text{but } dg &= -s dT + v dp \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial g}{\partial T} = -s; \quad \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} = v$$

# What is Thermodynamic Equilibrium?

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It is the state a given system tends to reach (given enough time).

This state is characterized by:

- **Thermal** equilibrium

*No net heat flux between components of the system*

- **Mechanical** equilibrium

*Pressure tends to become uniform*

- **Diffusional** equilibrium

*No net mass flux between components of a system*

# Formulating Thermodynamic Equilibrium

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A criterion for equilibrium in terms of measurable quantities would be very useful (hard to measure  $S$ ).

Gibbs Free Energy " $G$ " is perfectly suited for this.

$$G(T,P) = U + PV - TS$$

$P$ : pressure,  $V$ : system volume,  $T$ : temperature,  $S$ : entropy  
and  $U$ : internal energy

Changes in  $G$  are then expressed as:

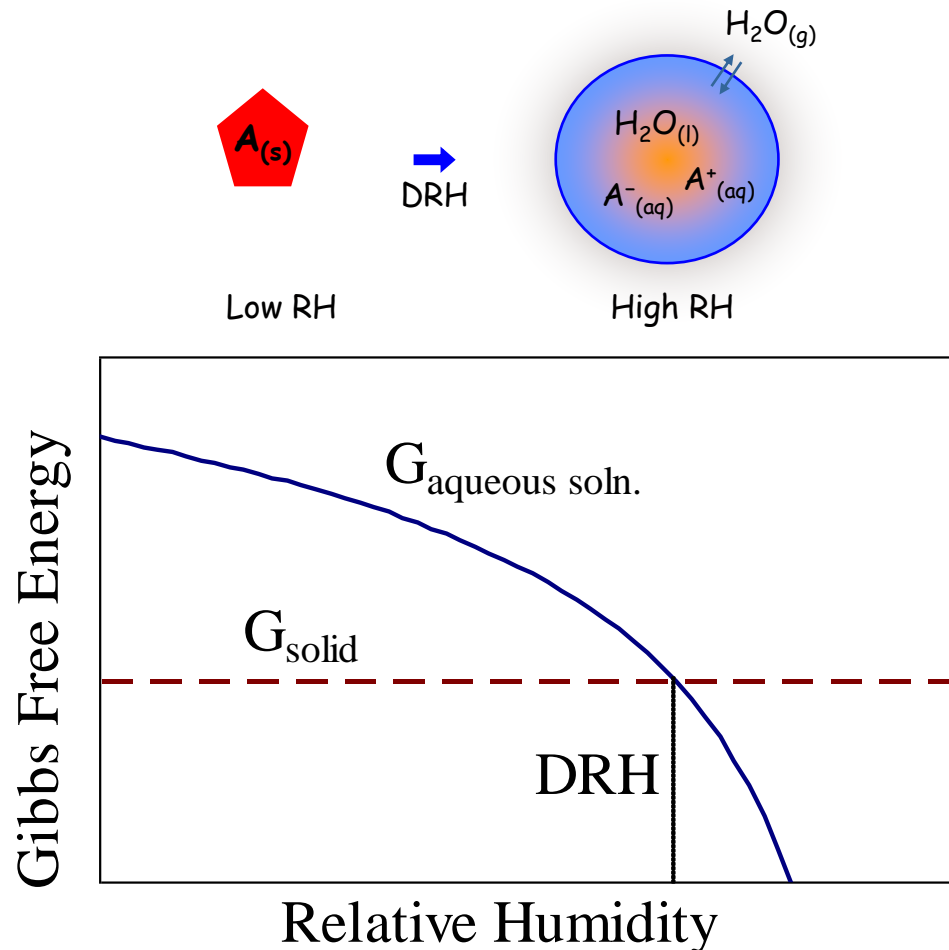
$$dG = dU + PdV - TdS + VdP - SdT$$



Zero from combined First & Second Law

# How useful is this criterion? Very!

**Deliquescence Relative Humidity (DRH):** RH at which an aerosol transitions from a solid to an aqueous solution





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In other words,

$$dG = VdP - SdT$$

If  $P$  and  $T$  are kept constant,  $dG=0$ , with  $d^2G > 0$

So  $G$  of a closed system at constant  $P, T$  is  
minimum at equilibrium

How useful is this relationship?

# Formulating Thermodynamic Equilibrium

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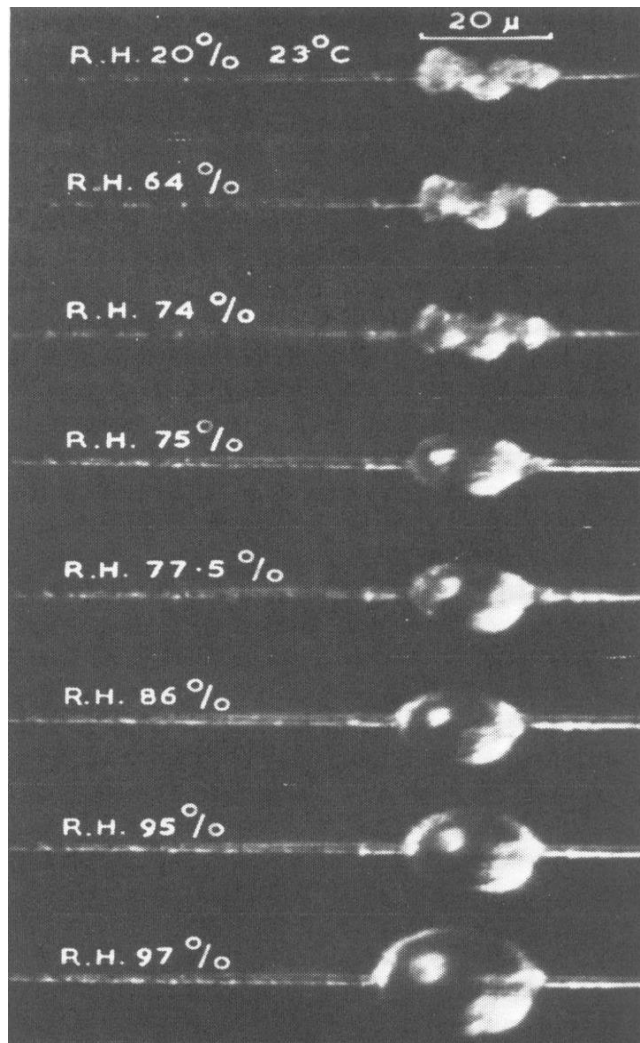
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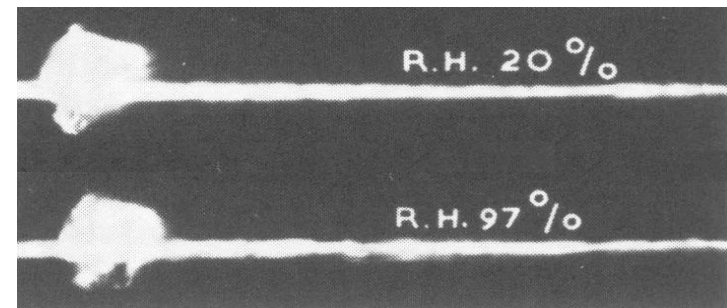
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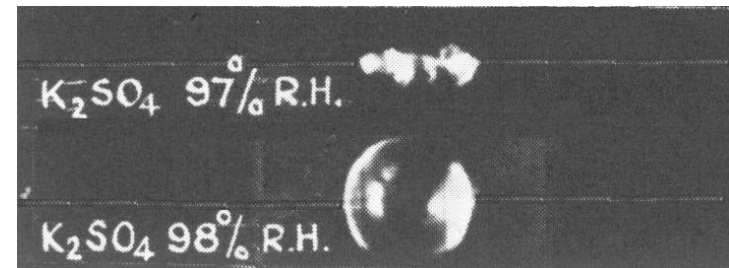
# Deliquescence: Some examples



Sea Salt Particle: DRH ~ 75%

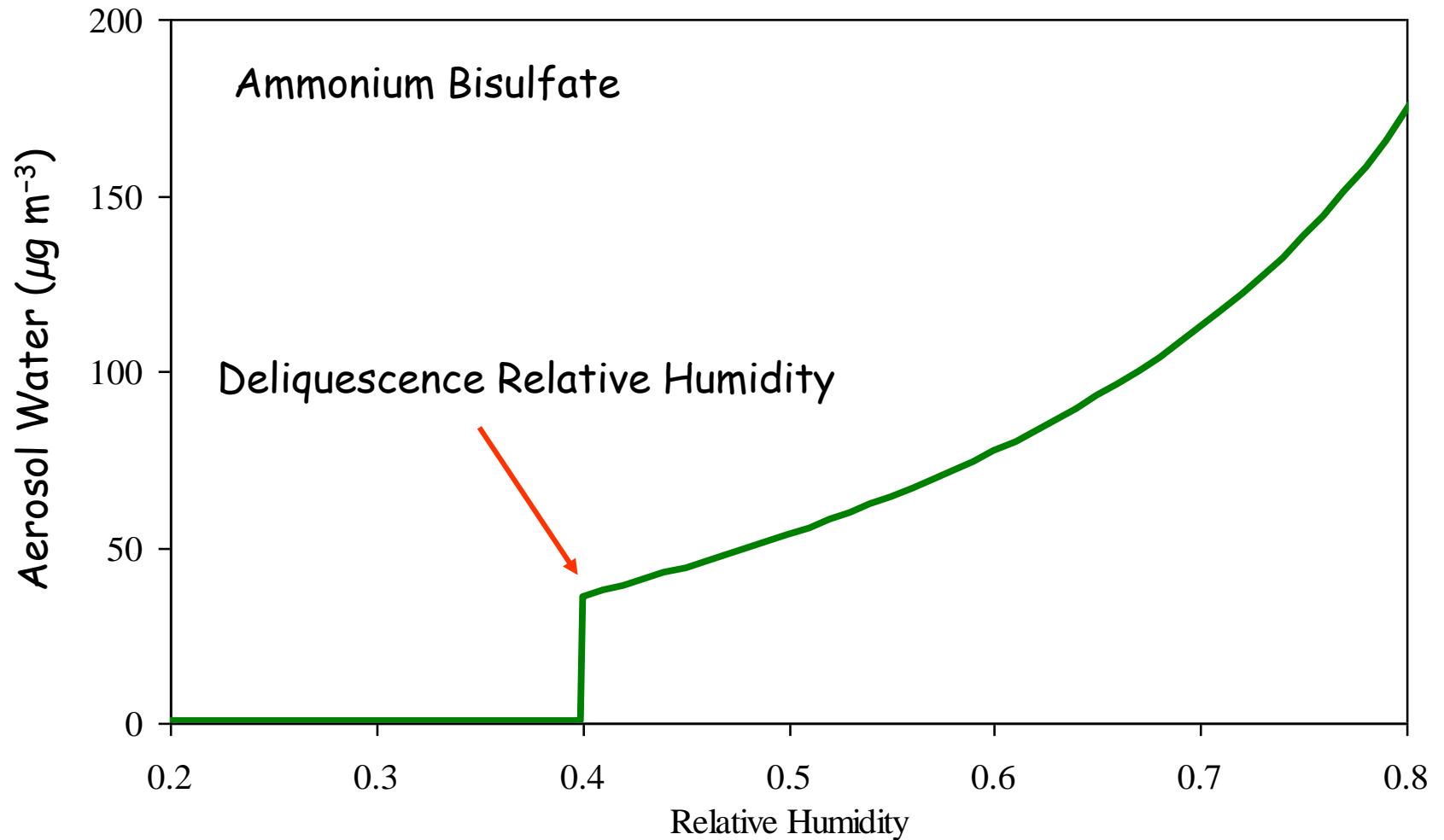


Dust Particle: no DRH



$K_2SO_4$  particle: DRH = 98%

# Aerosol water uptake: deliquescence



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What happens if the system is open or it has  
multiple phases and components?

We need to consider mass in the Gibbs Energy  
formulation

# Formulating Thermodynamic Equilibrium

In other words,

$G(P, T, \underbrace{n_1, \dots, n_n}_{\text{mass of components } 1, 2, \dots, n})$

Chain rule:

$$dG = \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial T} \right) dT + \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial P} \right) dP + \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial n_1} \right) dn_1 + \dots + \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial n_n} \right) dn_n$$

$\uparrow$   
**-S**

$\uparrow$   
**V**

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$   
Contribution of each  
component to the free  
energy

$\left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial n_1} \right), \dots, \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial n_n} \right)$  are the **chemical potentials**  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n$



# Formulating Thermodynamic Equilibrium

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So:  $dG = -SdT + VdP + \mu_1 dn_1 + \dots + \mu_n dn_n$

At thermodynamic equilibrium,  $dG = 0$

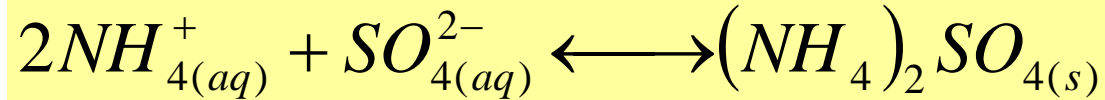
For constant  $P, T$  this means:  $\mu_1 dn_1 + \dots + \mu_n dn_n = 0$

This statement is known as "chemical equilibrium" and is the basis of any aerosol thermodynamic model

Let's apply this to a chemical reaction found in aerosols:  
Dissolution of ammonium sulfate in water.

# Chemical Equilibrium: Example

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At equilibrium ( $P, T = \text{const}$ ):

$$\mu_{NH_4^+} dn_{NH_4^+} + \mu_{SO_4^{2-}} dn_{SO_4^{2-}} + \mu_{(NH_4)_2SO_4} dn_{(NH_4)_2SO_4} = 0$$

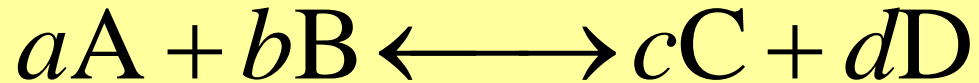
From stoichiometry:  $dn_{NH_4^+} = 2dn_{SO_4^{2-}} = -2dn_{(NH_4)_2SO_4}$

$$\text{So: } (-2\mu_{NH_4^+} - \mu_{SO_4^{2-}} + \mu_{(NH_4)_2SO_4}) dn_{(NH_4)_2SO_4} = 0$$

$$\text{Or simply: } -2\mu_{NH_4^+} - \mu_{SO_4^{2-}} + \mu_{(NH_4)_2SO_4} = 0$$

# Chemical Equilibrium: General Reaction

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At equilibrium, and constant  $P, T$  :

$$d\mu_D + c\mu_C - a\mu_A - b\mu_B = 0$$

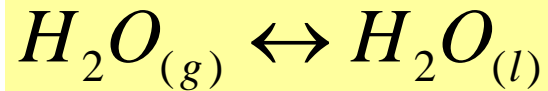
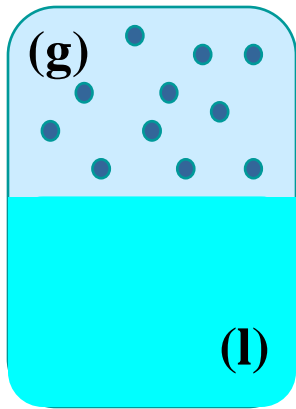
$$\sum_i \nu_i \mu_i = 0$$

i.e., chemical potential of the reactants  
equals chemical potential of the products

# Chemical Equilibrium: Phase Equilibria

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Even phase equilibria is (for thermo) a reaction:



$$\mu_{H_2O_{(g)}} - \mu_{H_2O_{(l)}} = 0$$

or

$$\mu_{H_2O_{(g)}} = \mu_{H_2O_{(l)}}$$

when two phases are in equilibrium with each other, they share the same chemical potential

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$$\mu_i^g = \mu_i^l \quad \text{a compound } i \text{ between phases shares the same chemical potential.}$$

# Some things more about G

G however is also the sum of its partial contributions. For constant  $T, P$ :

$$G = \sum g_i n_i \leftarrow \text{\# of moles of substance } "i".$$

$\uparrow$  GFE per unit mol of substance  $"i"$

and, since we showed already that  $p_i = g_i$

$$G = \sum \mu_i n_i \quad \text{const } T, P.$$

Total GFE of the system is given by the sum of the chemical potentials  $\times$  # of moles of each constituent.



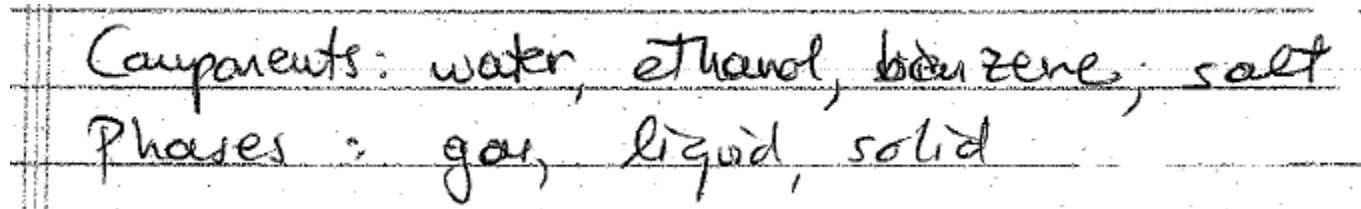
# Is the number of species limited?

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Yes. It's given by the Gibbs Phase Rule

$$F = C - P + 2$$

- ◆  $F$ : number of independent variables
- ◆  $P$ : number of phases
- ◆  $C$ : Number of compounds



Components: water, ethanol, benzene, salt  
Phases: gas, liquid, solid

e.g., pure water in equilibrium with its vapor:  
 $C=1, P=2$  so  $F=1$  (one independent variable, e.g.  $T$ )

e.g., a water/salt mixture in equilibrium with its vapor:  
 $C=2, P=2$  so  $F=2$  (two independent variables, e.g.  $T + n_{\text{NaCl}}$ )