

Syllabus

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2.5 Solutions

- Outstanding relevance for **chemistry** and **biology**
 - Natural carrier medium
- Often liquid („**solvent**“) and substance added („**solute**“)
- Concentrations expressed in quotients between
 - Weight
 - Volume
 - Moles of solute and solvent
- Notation for molar concentration c
 - E.g., for molecule CH_3COOH : $[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}]$
- n -molar solution
 - Solution containing n moles of solute per liter



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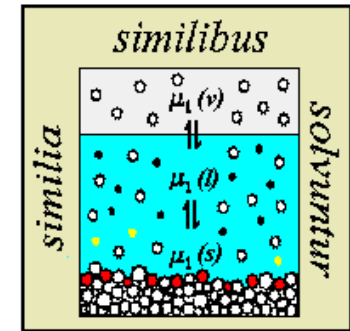
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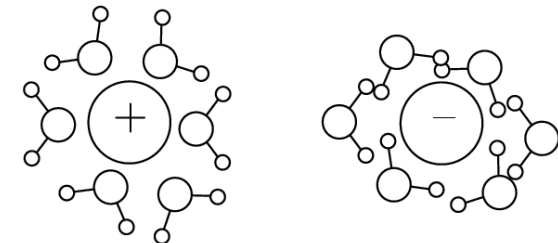
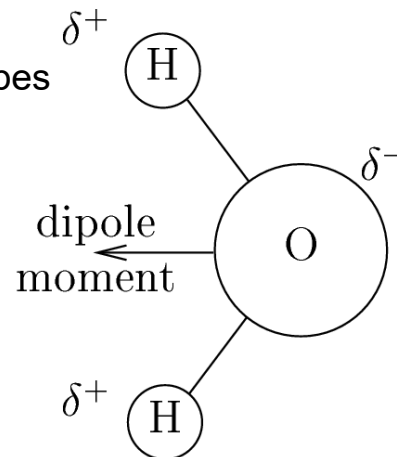
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- Intermolecular forces
- Electric polarization of molecules
 - Example: water with dipole moment of $6.2 \cdot 10^{-30} \text{ C m}$
- Intramolecular bonds influence mutual polarization
- „Hydrogen bonding“

⇒ „like dissolves like“



- Mediated by hydrogen atoms (electro-positive)
- Hydrogen ends attach to electronegative atoms forming complexes
- „Association“
 - Between identical molecule types
- „Solvation“
 - Between different molecule types



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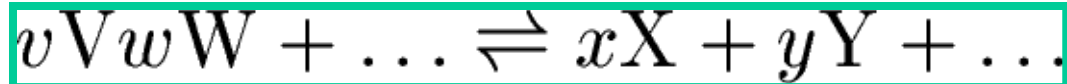
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- **Dynamic equilibrium**

- **Reversible** chemical reaction
- Equal reaction rates dn / dt in forward and reverse direction
- Stationary concentrations



- Heterogeneous equilibrium between multiple phases
- **Le Chatelier**
 - Change in condition counteracted by shift in dynamic equilibrium
- Mass action law

$$k_c = \frac{c^x(X)c^y(Y)}{c^v(V)c^w(W)}$$

- Constant of equilibrium k_c
- [Cato Guldberg](#) and [Peter Waage](#) (1864)

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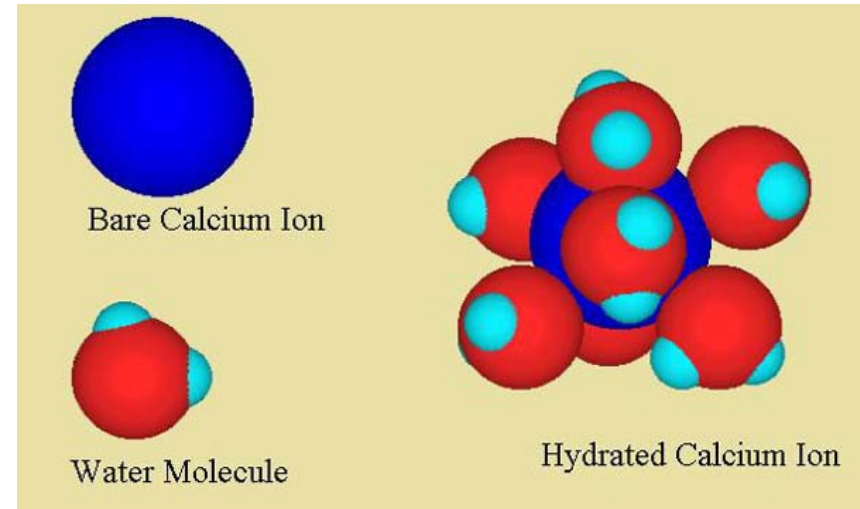
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2.5.3. Electrolytes

- Free charge carriers
 - **Ions**



- Aqueous solutions of acids, bases, or salts, certain pure liquids and molten salts...
 - Acid: “proton-donator”
 - Base: ”proton acceptor”
- All inorganic acids, bases, and salts
- **Strong electrolytes**
 - E.g., NaOH (sodium hydroxide, also known as lye and caustic soda)
 - Complete dissociation when brought into solution or fused

2.5.3. Electrolytes

- **Weak electrolytes**

- Partially remain in their molecular form
- Mass action law for monovalent electrolytes like KCl (potassium chloride)

$$\kappa_c = \frac{[\text{K}^+][\text{Cl}^-]}{[\text{KCl}]}$$

- Dilution law of Ostwald

- Degree of dissociation a_c

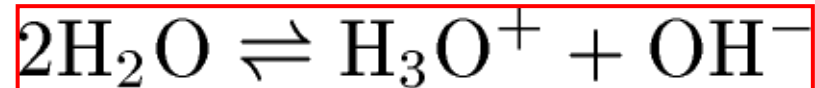
$$a_c = \frac{\kappa_c}{2c} \left(\sqrt{1 + \frac{4c}{\kappa_c}} - 1 \right)$$

- c : concentration of [KCl] and $[\text{K}^+] = [\text{Cl}^-]$
- For strong electrolyte $a_c = 1$

2.5.3 Dissociation of Water and pH-Value



- Water
 - Weak electrolyte
 - Dissociation
 - More accurately



$$K_c = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-]}{[\text{H}_2\text{O}]}$$

- **Ionic product**
 - Nearly constant H_2O concentration in diluted solutions

$$K_{\text{water}} = 1.0 \times 10^{-14} = [\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-].$$

- Pure water
 - Neutral solution at 25°C, $[\text{H}^+] = [\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-7} \text{ mol l}^{-1}$
- $\Rightarrow a_c \ll 1$

2.5.3 Dissociation of Water and pH-Value

- **pH-value**

$$\text{pH} = -\log \frac{[\text{H}^+]}{\text{mol l}^{-1}} = \log \frac{\text{mol l}^{-1}}{[\text{H}^+]}$$

➤ $[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-\text{pH}}$

- **Complementary pOH-value**

$$\text{pH} + \text{pOH} = 14$$

➤ Follows from ionic product

2.5.3 Activity

optional

- For given solution

$$a = f_a c$$

- Debye-Hückel theory of solutions
- (Coulomb) interactions between solute molecules
- Motion of ions not independent
- „Effective concentration“ with empirical factor f_a
- f_a unity for non-electrolytes and smaller for electrolytes

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- **Stabilization of certain pH-value**
 - Tolerating addition of small amounts of acids or bases
 - Composition of
 - Weak acid or base
 - In combination with salt of weak electrolyte
- Ethanoic acid and sodium acetate in identical concentrations

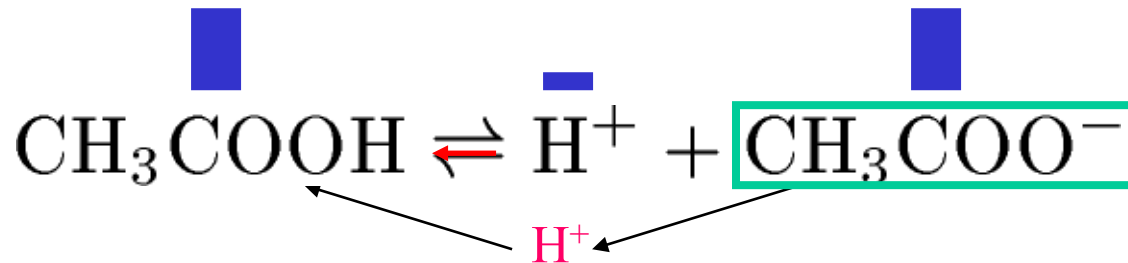


- Mass action law and known $\kappa_c = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$

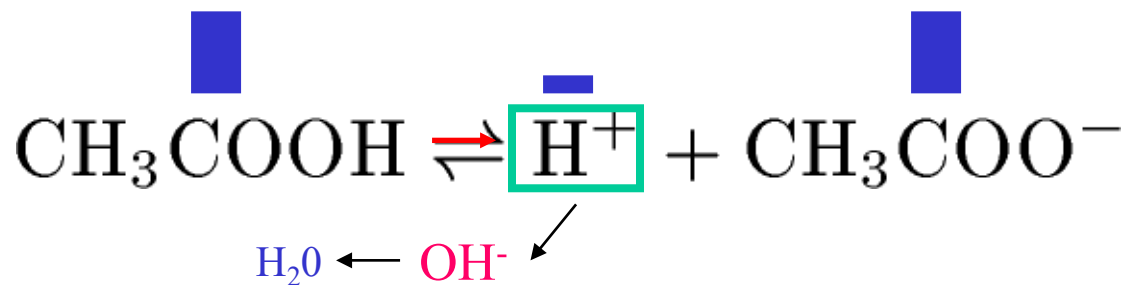
$$[\text{H}^+] = \kappa_c \frac{[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}]}{[\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-]}$$

- pH-value stabilized in vicinity of 4.7
 - $[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}]$ and $[\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-]$ exceed $[\text{H}^+]$ by factor of 50,000

2.5.4. Buffers



- Addition of small amount of **hydronium ions [H⁺]**
 - Quickly neutralized by large reservoir of acetate ions
 - Relative change in [CH₃COO⁻] supplied by buffer negligible



- Analogous: Small increase in number of **hydroxide ions [OH⁻]**
 - Compensated by H⁺ ions
 - H⁺ ions quickly substituted by dissociation of salt from buffer

2.5.4. Buffers

optional

- **pK-value** of weak electrolyte

$$\text{pK} = -\log \kappa_c$$

- **Henderson-Hasselbalch** equation

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK} + \log \frac{[\text{salt}]}{[\text{acid}]}$$

- Properly working buffer
 - Ratio between molecular form and ionic partner between 0.1 and 10
 - pH-range [pK - 1; pK + 1]
- Example: Ethanoic buffer with pK-value of 4.7
 - pH-values between 3.7 and 5.7

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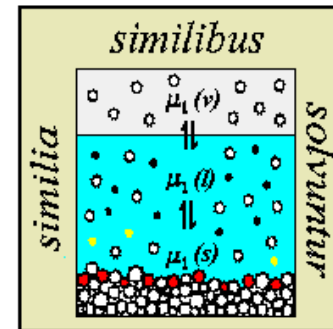
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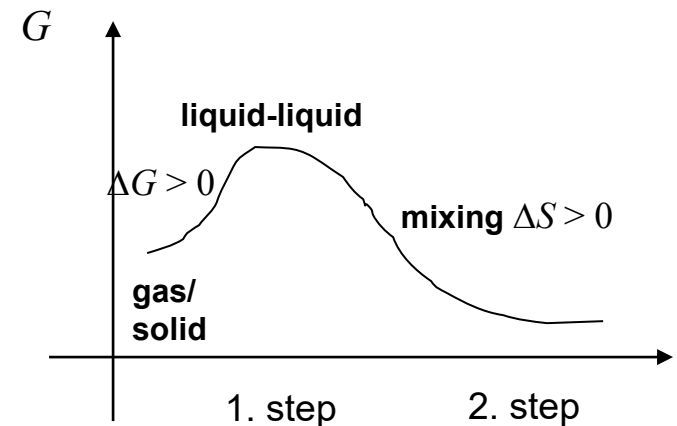
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2.5.5. Limit of Solubility

- Dissolution of substances within one another
- Beyond limit of solubility, further addition leaves concentration in solution unchanged
- Thermodynamic analysis
 - Spontaneous process governed by $\Delta G < 0$
 - Two steps for phase transition
 - „preparation“
 - „liquid-liquid“ mixing
 - Preparative step accompanied by $\Delta G > 0$ for solids and gases
 - Counteracting mixing of phases
 - Second step must imply larger $\Delta G < 0$

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T \Delta S$$



2.5.5. Limit of Solubility - Gases

- Process of dissolution
 1. Constant-temperature condensation of pure gas to liquid ($\Delta G > 0$)
 2. Constant-temperature mixing of that liquid with solvent ($\Delta S > 0$)

- Henry's Law

- Molar concentration c_{gas} of gas dissolved in liquid

$$c_{\text{gas}} = k_{\text{H}} p_{\text{gas}}$$

- Partial pressure p_{gas}

- Valid: vapor pressure of gas \gg vapor pressure of solvent

- Henry's Law constant k_{H}

$$k_{\text{H}}(T) = k_{\text{H}}^{\text{STP}} \exp \left[-\frac{\Delta H}{R_{\text{g}}} \left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{298.15 \text{ K}} \right) \right]$$

- Solubility

- Decreases with T

- Increases with partial pressure of gas p_{gas}

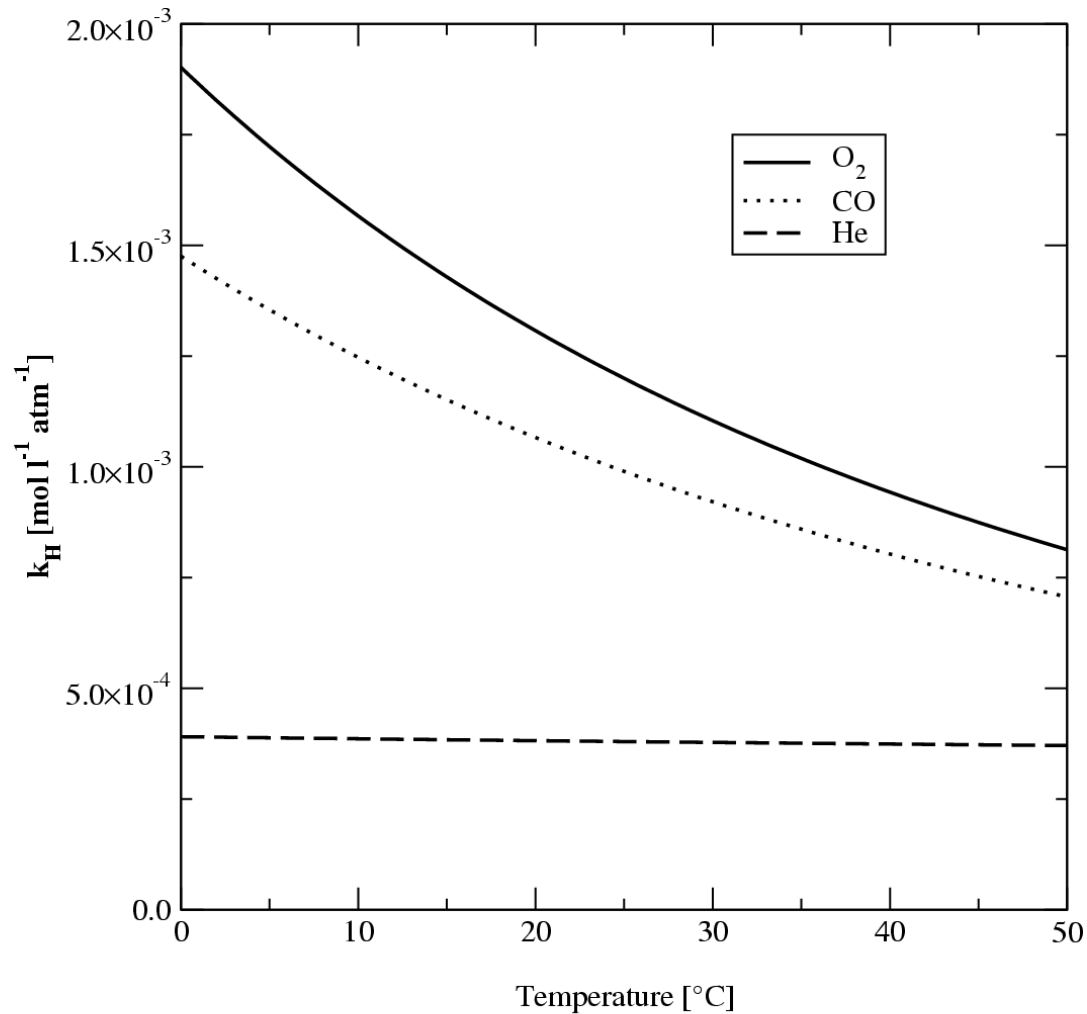
$$T \uparrow \Rightarrow k_{\text{H}}(T) \downarrow$$

2.5.5. Limit of Solubility - Gases

gas	$k_{\text{H}}^{\text{STP}} / \text{mol l}^{-1} \text{atm}^{-1}$	$-\Delta H / (R_{\text{g}} \text{K}^{-1})$
O ₂	1.2×10^{-3}	1500
H ₂	7.8×10^{-4}	500
N ₂	6.5×10^{-4}	1300
CO	9.9×10^{-4}	1300
CO ₂	3.5×10^{-2}	2400
He	3.8×10^{-4}	92
Ne	4.5×10^{-4}	450
Ar	1.4×10^{-3}	1500
Kr	2.5×10^{-3}	1900
Xe	4.3×10^{-3}	2200

Table 2.13. Solubilities of gases in water at STP. Values slightly vary in the literature

2.5.5. Limit of Solubility - Gases



$T \uparrow \Rightarrow k_H \downarrow$

Fig. 2.17. Solubility of gases as a function of the temperature

2.5.5. Limit of Solubility - Solids

optional

- Dissolution
 1. Pure solid melted at constant T to pure liquid ($\Delta G > 0$)
 2. Dissolution at constant T ($\Delta S > 0$)
- Gibbs energy barrier depends on melting temperature
 - Barrier high if $T(\text{solution}) \ll T(\text{melt})$
 - Principle of Le Chatelier
- Dynamic equilibrium
 - Reached after sufficient amount of time
 - Rate of precipitation coincides with rate of dissolution
 - Example: AgCl

- Mass action law
$$\text{AgCl}(s) \rightleftharpoons \text{Ag}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{Cl}^-(\text{aq})$$

$$K' = \frac{[\text{Ag}^+][\text{Cl}^-]}{[\text{AgCl}]}$$

- **Product of solubility**
 - Concentration in solid phase constant

$$K_{\text{sol}} = [\text{Ag}^+][\text{Cl}^-]$$

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- Osmotic pressure

- Dissolved molecules
- Liquid in contact with semipermeable membrane
- Solute like gas in free space discarding solvent
- Law of van't Hoff

$$pV = Nk_B T$$

$$p_{\text{osmotic}} = \frac{Nk_B T}{V}$$

- Number of solved molecules N
- „Isotonic“ or „isomotic“ solutions
 - Same osmotic pressure

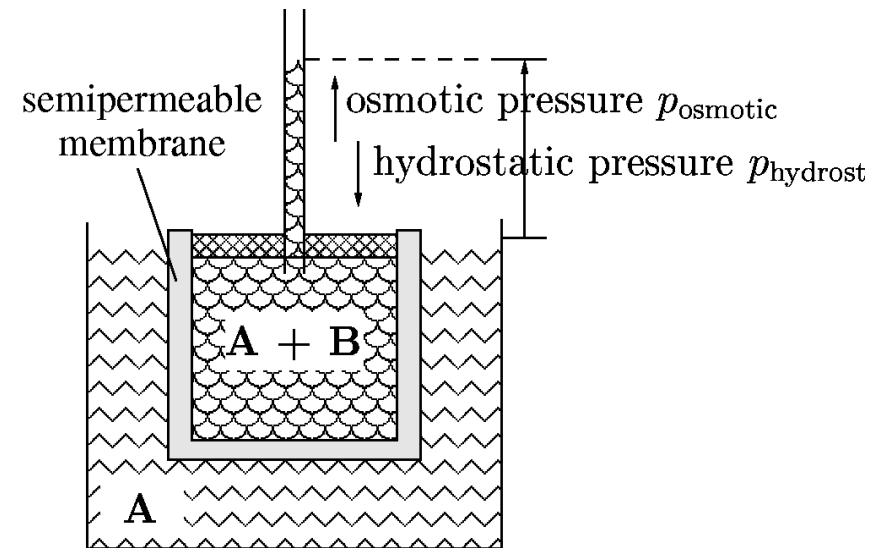


Fig. 2.18. Pfeffer cell. The semipermeable membrane lets A pass in either direction while constituent B is kept in the inner vessel. The osmotic pressure p_{osmotic} is equivalent to the hydrostatic pressure in the column

2.5.6. Colligative Properties

optional

- Vapor pressure of mixtures

- Total vapor pressure p_{vap}
- Sum of partial (vapor) pressures (fugacities) $p_{\text{vap}}(i)$

$$p_{\text{vap}}(i) = y_i p_{\text{vap}}$$

- Constituents i , each possessing mole fraction y_i and $\sum y_i = 1$

- Relation between p_{vap} and mole fractions in liquid phase x_i

$$p_{\text{vap}}(i) = \gamma_i x_i p_{\text{vap}}^0(i)$$

- Activity coefficients γ_i
- Mole fractions in liquid phase x_i (see above)
- Vapor pressure of pure liquid p_{vap}^0

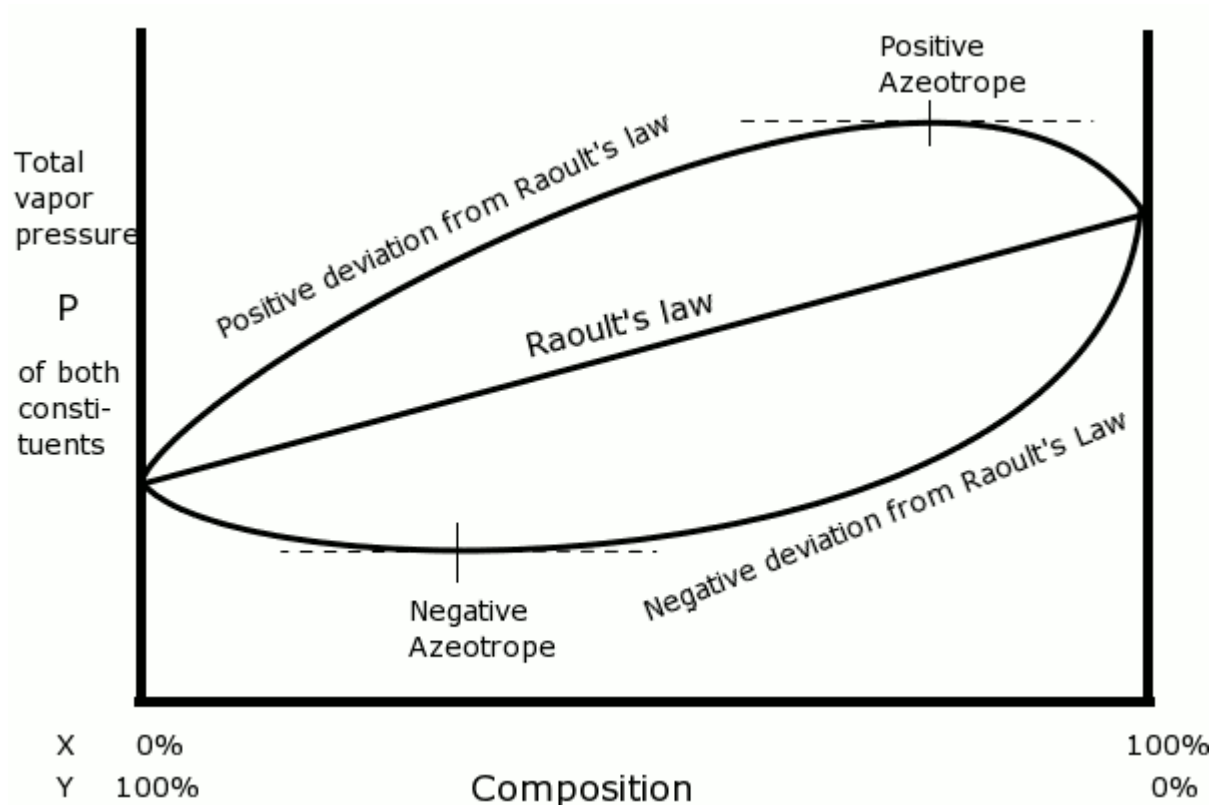
- Raoult's law

$$p_{\text{vap}} = x_1 [p_{\text{vap}}^0(1) - p_{\text{vap}}^0(2)] + p_{\text{vap}}^0(2)$$

- For ideal binary solution (uncommon) with $\gamma_i = 1$

2.5.6. Colligative Properties

optional



- Deviation of Raoult's (idealized) linear relationship

2.5.6 Change in Boiling and Freezing Point

solvent	$T_{\text{boil}}/^{\circ}\text{C}$	$\mathcal{T}_{\text{boil}}/\text{K kg mol}^{-1}$	$T_{\text{freeze}}/^{\circ}\text{C}$	$\mathcal{T}_{\text{freeze}}/\text{K kg mol}^{-1}$
water	100.0	0.514	0.0	-1.86
benzol	80.1	2.53	5.5	-5.12
ethanol	78.4	1.21	-114.6	-1.99

Table 0.1. The coefficients $\mathcal{T}_{\text{boil}}$ and $\mathcal{T}_{\text{freeze}}$ describe the change in the boiling point T_{boil} and the freezing point T_{freeze} of a given (dilute) solution as a function of the molality c_m

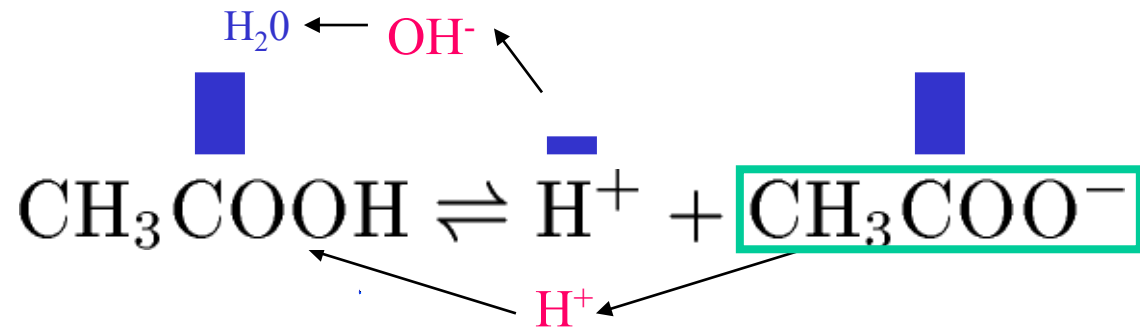
- Presence of solute
 - Boiling / melting point depend on **type** and **concentration** of solute c_m
- Dilute solutions
 - Linear approximation
 - Weak dependence on solute
 - Rise in boiling point $\Delta T = \mathcal{T}_{\text{boil}}c_m$
 - Decrease in freezing point $\Delta T = \mathcal{T}_{\text{freeze}}c_m$

Summary

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solids

$$K_{\text{sol}} = [\text{Ag}^+][\text{Cl}^-]$$

Vapor pressure:

$$p_{\text{vap}}(i) = y_i p_{\text{vap}}$$

Shift in phase transition of liquid:

$$\Delta T = T_{\text{boil}} c_m$$

$$\Delta T = T_{\text{freeze}} c_m$$