

RMG Study Group

Liquid Reactor

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Agenda

- Liquid Reactor Theoretical Backgrounds
- Input File Format
- Code Changes & Fixes in Progress
- Solvation Database
- CoolProp Module
- Issues / Future Work

Backgrounds: Solvent Effects in RMG

1. Diffusion Limits



- Stokes-Einstein equation
- Effective rate constant of a bimolecular reaction

2. Thermo Corrections



- Linear solvation energy relationships (LSERs) to estimate thermo at 298 K
- Japas & Harvey relationships to estimate thermo at high T (*will be merged soon*)

3. Kinetic Corrections



- Belinda in Prof. West's group is currently working on this

**** All the corrections are made based on the dilute solution assumption***

Diffusion Limits

- Diffusivity and effective rate constant are calculated from:

$$D_{AB} = \frac{k_B T}{6\pi\mu R_A} \qquad k_{eff} = \frac{4\pi R D k_{int}}{4\pi R D + k_{int}}$$

μ = solvent viscosity, R_A = solute radius, k_{int} = intrinsic rate from gas phase reactions

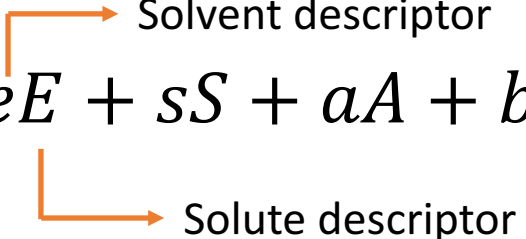
R = sum of solutes radii, D = sum of reactants diffusivities

- Solvent viscosity calculated from the solvent parameters in the RMG-database
- Solute radius calculated from the McGowan Volume (V)
- If the solute descriptor V is not found in RMG-database, it is estimated using atom sizes

Current RMG Thermo Correction

The Abraham LSER:

$$\log_{10} K(298K) = c + eE + sS + aA + bB + lL$$



The Mintz correlation:

$$\Delta H_{solv}^{\circ}(298K) = c' + e'E + s'S + a'A + b'B + l'L$$

- Experimentally fitted 25 solvent & 125 solute descriptors are available
- Other solute descriptors can be estimated by the Platts group additivity

Current RMG Thermo Correction

Linear temperature dependence is assumed (fails at approximately $T > 400$ K):

$$\Delta G_{solv}^{\circ}(T) = \Delta H_{solv}^{\circ}(298K) - T\Delta S_{solv}^{\circ}(298K)$$

Thermo correction for both solvent & solute:

$$\Delta G_f^l(T) = \underbrace{\Delta G_f^g(T)} + \Delta G_{solv}^{\circ}(T)$$

gas phase free energy

Standard States $^{\circ}$:

ideal gas and dilute ideal solution with equal concentrations of solutes

RMG Thermo Correction in Progress: Solutes

- For $298\text{K} \leq T \leq 420\text{K}$:

$$T \ln(K_{2,1}^\infty) = A + B \left(1 - \frac{T}{T_c}\right)^{0.355} + CT^{0.59} \exp\left(1 - \frac{T}{T_c}\right) \quad \text{Eqn. (1)}$$

- For $420\text{K} \leq T < T_c$:

$$T \ln(K_{2,1}^\infty) = D(\rho_1^l - \rho_{c,1}) \quad \text{Eqn. (2)}$$

$$K_{2,1}^\infty(T) = \lim_{x_2 \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{y_2}{x_2}\right) \quad \Delta G_{\text{soln}}^\circ(T) = RT \ln \left(\frac{K_{2,1}^\infty(T) P_1^{\text{vap}}(T)}{RT C_1^l(T)}\right)$$

A, B, C, D = empirical parameters
1 = solvent
2 = solute
 c_1^l = solvent concentration

- * *Solvent properties are obtained from CoolProp module, evaluated along the saturation curve*
- * *If solvents cannot be found in CoolProp, only simple correction using the Abraham and Mintz LSERs is applied*

RMG Thermo Correction in Progress: Solutes

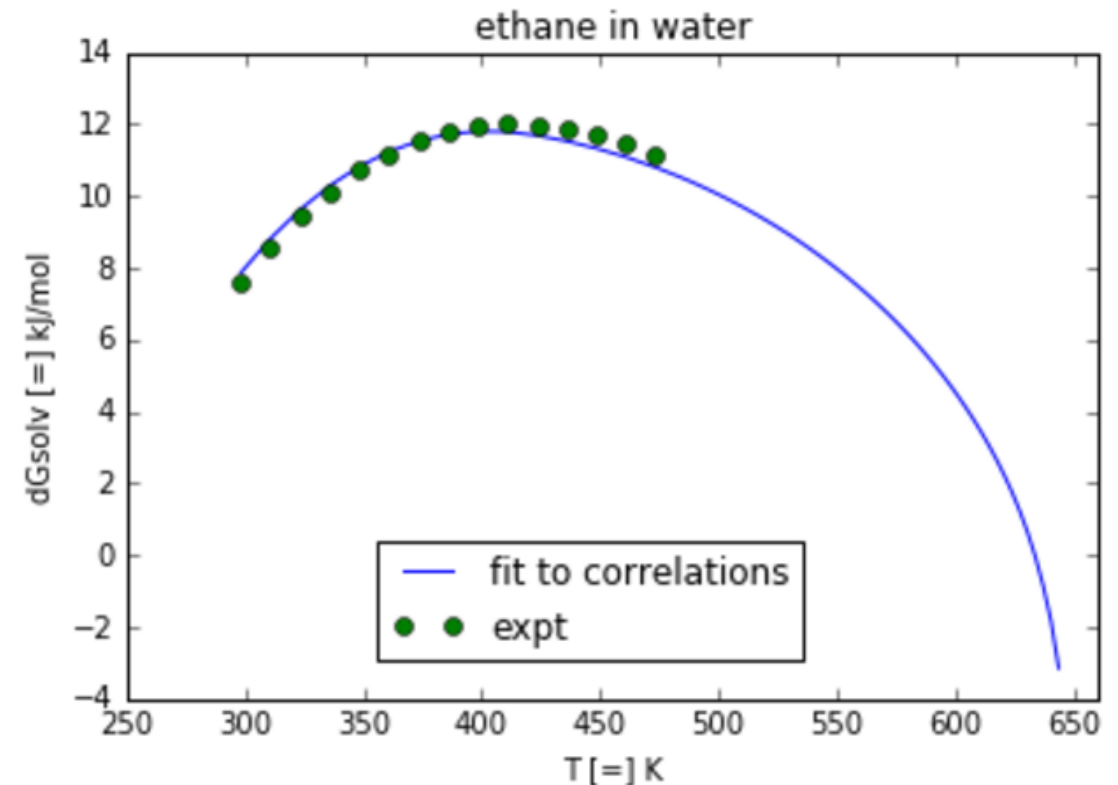
Determining the parameters (A, B, C, D):

1. $\Delta G_{solv}^{\circ}(298K)$ from the Abraham LSER

2. $\left. \frac{d\Delta G_{solv}^{\circ}}{dT} \right|_{298K, eqn(1)}$ from the Mintz LSER

3. $\left. \frac{d\Delta G_{solv}^{\circ}}{dT} \right|_{420K, eqn(1)} = \left. \frac{d\Delta G_{solv}^{\circ}}{dT} \right|_{420K, eqn(2)}$

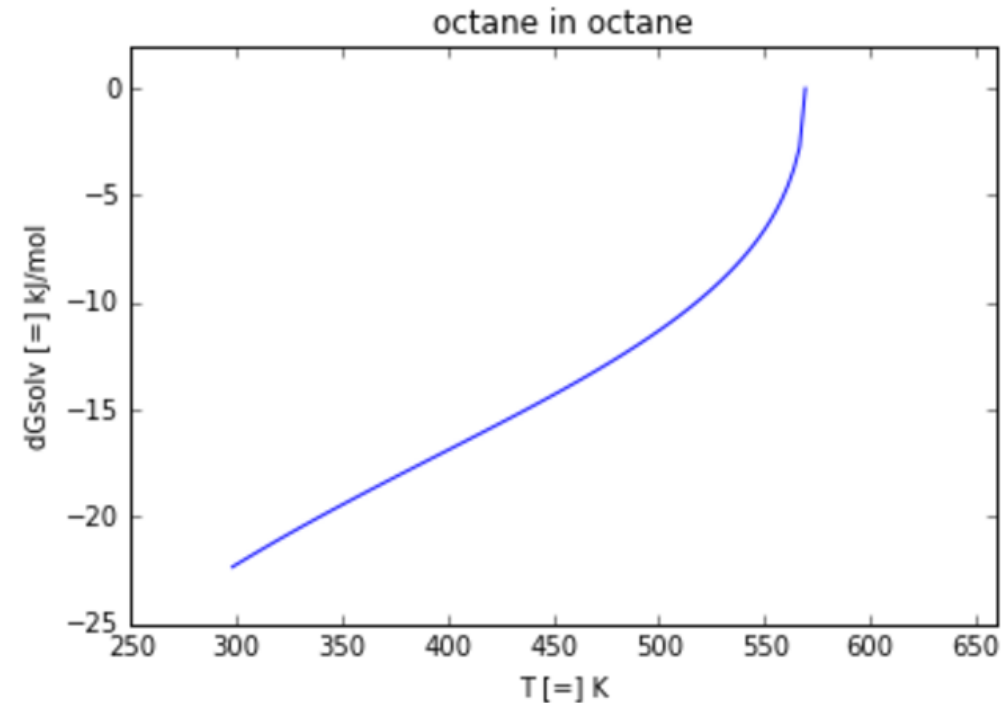
4. $\Delta G_{solv}^{\circ}(420K, eqn(1)) = \Delta G_{solv}^{\circ}(420K, eqn(2))$



RMG Thermo Correction in Progress: Solvents

- For solvent species in CoolProp, ΔG_{solv}° can be directly computed at any temperatures

$$\Delta G_{solv}^{\circ} = -RT \ln \left(\frac{\rho^g}{\rho^l} \right)_{eq}$$



RMG Thermo Correction in Progress

Completed Part:

- ΔG_{solv}° is calculated using the new correlations
- After the thermo correction is applied, NASA and Wilhoit models are fitted to the corrected gibbs free energy

In Progresses:

- The thermo output file should have the temperature range up to T_c
- Make unittests and documentations

Input File Format

```
# Reaction systems
liquidReactor(
  temperature=(450, 'K'),
  initialConcentrations={
    "octane": (6.154e-3, 'mol/cm^3'),
    "oxygen": (4.953e-6, 'mol/cm^3'),
  },
  # terminationTime=(300, 's'),
  terminationConversion={'octane': 0.9},
  constantSpecies=['oxygen']
)

solvation(
  solvent='octane'
)
```

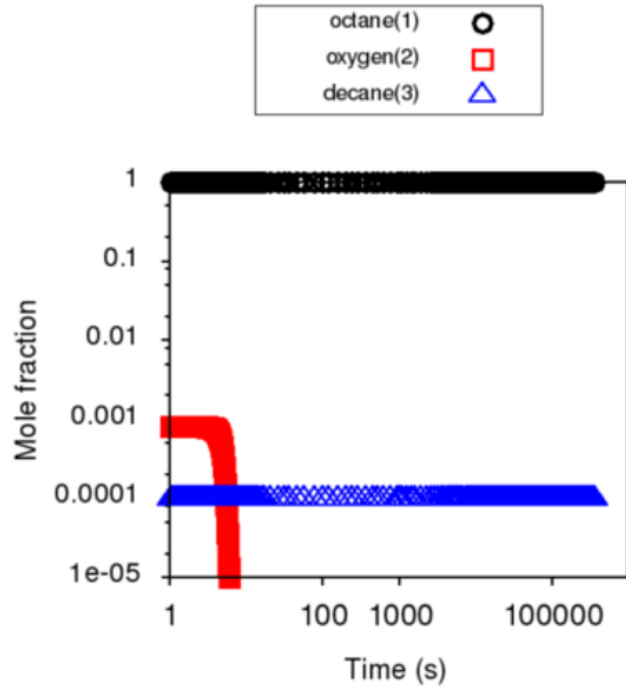
Independent of pressure

-Only concentration acceptable
-The solver output is in mole fraction
-Solvent must be listed as one of the initial species

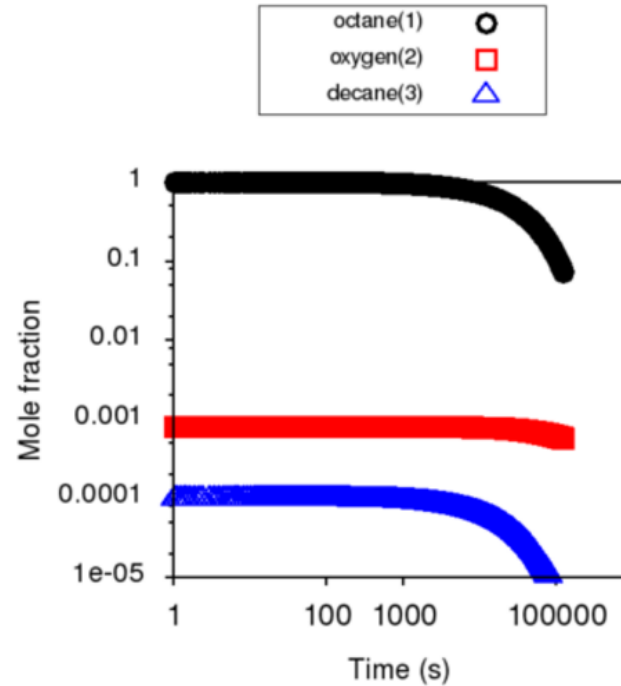
-Optional
-Multiple constant species possible

-Can specify only one solvent
-The solvent solvation data must be in RMG-database

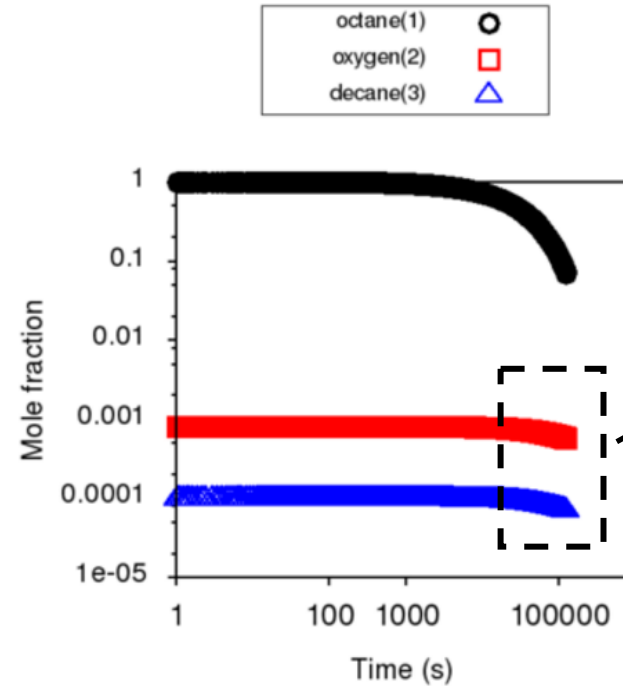
Constant Species Simulation: Octane/Decane Oxidation



No constant species



O2 constant



O2 & Decane constant

Slight Changes ?

Liquid Thermo Library

```
name = "octane_liquid_thermo_library"
```

```
solvent = "octane"
```

```
shortDesc = u""
```

```
longDesc = u""
```

- RMG identifies the thermo library as “liquid thermo” library by the presence of the solvent block
- Each library must be specific to one solvent
- If the solvents in the thermo library and in the input file are different, RMG will raise an error

Code Change and Fixes in Progress

Current Code	New Code
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Solvent related attributes are stored under <code>rmgpy.rmg.model.Species()</code> by creating a subclass of <code>Species()</code>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A new wrapper class for solvent, <code>Solvent()</code> is created and stored under <code>RMG()</code> class.• Remove <code>rmgpy.rmg.model.Species()</code>• Move <code>coreSizeAtCreation</code> attribute to under <code>rmgpy.Species()</code>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Checks whether the solvent is listed in the initial species in <code>rmgpy.rmg.main</code>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identifies the solvent from the initial species in <code>rmgpy.rmg.input</code>• The identified solvent species is stored as <code>solventSpecies</code> object in <code>Solvent()</code> class

Code Change and Fixes in Progress

Current Code	New Code
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Same diffusion limit is applied for all species	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For the reaction in which the solvent is reacting, that forward / reverse rate is not diffusion-limited
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For solvents in CoolProp, if $T \geq T_c$, CoolProp will crash	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Checks whether the rxn T exceeds the critical T of the solvent. If it does, it raises error and displays the error message with the critical T
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If conda environment is not updated, RMG will crash	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• makefile checks for the CoolProp module• If it is not found, it displays the error message with the command for updating the conda environment

Solvation Database

Solvent descriptors:

- Abraham and Mintz parameters
- Viscosity parameters
- Solute parameters for intrinsic rate correction in H-abstraction rxn (alpha and beta) and dielectric constant (eps). Currently not used

- inCoolProp: True if the solvent can be found in CoolProp. False if not
- NameinCoolProp: solvent name that can be used in CoolProp. None if inCoolProp is False

↳ Not in RMG-database yet.
To be merged

Solute descriptors: Abraham parameters

Solute & solvent descriptors can be found in: <http://rmg.mit.edu/database/solvation/libraries/>

CoolProp Module

- Computes thermo and transport properties for 122 pure components and some mixture solvents
- Implements EOS explicit in Helmholtz energy, modified Benedict-Webb-Rubin EOS, and an extended corresponding states model
- Mixture: mixing rules to the Helmholtz energy

- List of fluids can be found in:
http://www.coolprop.org/fluid_properties/PurePseudoPure.html#list-of-fluids

- List of available properties can be found in:
<http://www.coolprop.org/coolprop/HighLevelAPI.html#propssi-function>

Using CoolProp Module

- Can be easily used in Python / ipython notebook (jupyter notebook)
- Connie uploaded the slides on how to use ipython notebook in dropbox
- Sample ipython notebook codes:

```
from CoolProp.CoolProp import PropsSI

solventName = 'water'
rhoc = PropsSI('rhomolar_critical', solventName) # the critical molar density, in mol/m^3
Pvap = PropsSI('P', 'T', 300, 'Q', 0, solventName) # the vapor pressure at 300 K, in Pa
print rhoc, Pvap
```

```
17873.7279956 3536.8067792
```

Issues / Future Work

- RMG Chemkin output file does not contain the information on diffusion limit and its T dependence
 - > maybe use MultiArrhenius models?
- Chemkin does not have liquid reactors
- Solvent effect on the intrinsic rate
- Others?