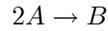


The reaction to study is of the form :



$$G_r^o = n_B G_f^o(B) + n_A G_f^o(A) = z \left\{ G_f^o(B) - 2G_f^o(A) \right\} + n_o G_f^o(A)$$

$$\text{Let } G_f^o(B) - 2G_f^o(A) = C \text{ and } n_o G_f^o(A) = D$$

$$G_r^o(z) = Cz + D$$

A plot of  $G_r^o$  as a function of  $z$  gives a straight line of slope  $C$  and intercept  $D$ .

Now take the following limits :

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z = 0$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} z = \frac{n_o}{2}$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} G_r^o(z) = D$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} G_r^o(z) = \frac{n_o}{2} C + D$$

From the initial behaviour of  $G_r^o(z)$ , you can define the change in the Gibb's free energy for the reaction :  $\Delta G_r^o(z)$

$$\Delta G_r^o(z) = G_r^o(z) - \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} G_r^o(z) = Cz$$

For the reaction to be thermodynamically favorable  $C$  must be negative. In your problem,  $C = -4 \text{ KJ.mol}^{-1}$

$$\frac{\Delta G_r^o(z)}{\Delta z} = C < 0$$

Define a function independent of  $z$  :  $\frac{\Delta G_r^o(z)}{z} = C < 0$

$$\text{Or the slope itself } \left\{ \frac{\partial \Delta G_r^o(z)}{\partial z} \right\}_T = C < 0$$

This means that graph of  $\frac{\Delta G_r^o(z)}{z} = f(z)$  gives the slope of  $\Delta G_r^o(z) = g(z)$