

540 calories of heat is required to vaporize 1 gm of water at 100°C. Determine the entropy change involved in vaporizing 5 gm of water?

**Solution.**

$$L = 540 \frac{\text{cal}}{\text{g}}, t = 100^\circ\text{C}, m = 5\text{g} = 0.005\text{kg};$$

$$\Delta S - ?$$

$L = 540 \frac{\text{cal}}{\text{g}}$  - the latent heat of vaporize of water.

Converting the latent heat to joules per grams:

$$1 \text{ cal} = 4.1868\text{J};$$

$$L = 540 \frac{\text{cal}}{\text{g}} (4.1868\text{J}) = 2260.872 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{g}}$$

Converting the latent heat to joules per kilograms:

$$L = 2260.872 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{g}} \left( \frac{1000\text{g}}{1\text{kg}} \right) = 2260872 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{kg}}$$

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The entropy change is:

$$\Delta S = \frac{\Delta Q}{T}.$$

$\Delta Q$  – the heat that is required to vaporize 5 g of water.

$$\Delta Q = mL.$$

Thermodynamic temperature:

$$T = (t + 273^\circ\text{C})K;$$

$$t = 100^\circ\text{C};$$

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$$T = 373K.$$

$$\Delta S = \frac{mL}{T}.$$

$$\Delta S = \frac{0.005\text{kg} \cdot 2260872 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{kg}}}{373K} = 30.3 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}}$$

**Answer:** The entropy change is  $\Delta S = 30.3 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}}$ .