Problem 26.45 (RHK)

A 12.6-g ice cube at -10.0° C is placed in a lake whose temperature is $+15.0^{\circ}$ C. We have to calculate the change in entropy of the system as the ice cube comes to thermal equilibrium with the lake.

Solution:

In the process of reaching thermal equilibrium the $12.6 \,\mathrm{g}$ of ice at $-10.0^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ will first get heated to $0^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$, then will melt by acquiring heat of fusion, and next will get heated to $+15.0^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$, the temperature of the lake. We can assume the lake to be an infinite heat reservoir at $+15.0^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$. The total heat for the sequence of changes in the ice cube at $-10.0^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ to its becoming water at $+15.0^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ will be supplied by the lake, which, as already mentioned, functions like a heat reservoir at a constant temperature. We will use the following data in calculating the total change of entropy of the system.

Heat capacity of water, $c_w = 4190 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$,

heat capacity of ice, $c_i = 2220 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$, heat of fusion, $L_{fusion} = 333 \text{ kJ kg}^{-1}$.

(i) The change in entropy of the ice when the ice cube gets heated from -10.0° C to 0° C,

$$\Delta S_1 = \int_{263}^{273} \frac{m_{ice} c_V}{T} dT = 12.6 \times 10^{-3} \times 2220 \times \int_{263}^{273} \frac{dT}{T} \text{ J K}^{-1}$$
$$= 1.0438 \text{ J K}^{-1}.$$

(ii) The change in entropy of the ice in melting of 12.6 g of ice at 0° C,

$$\Delta S_2 = \frac{12.6 \times 10^{-3} \times 333 \times 10^3}{273} \text{ J K}^{-1}$$
= 15.369 J K⁻¹.

(iii) The change in entropy of the 12.6g of water when it gets heated from 0° C to +15.0 $^{\circ}$ C, the temperature of the lake,

$$\Delta S_3 = \int_{273}^{288} \frac{m_i c_w dT}{T} = 12.6 \times 10^{-3} \times 4190 \times \ln\left(\frac{288}{273}\right) \text{ J K}^{-1}$$
$$= 2.8238 \text{ J K}^{-1}.$$

(iv) The total amount of heat supplied by the lake in the processes (i), (ii) and (iii) is

$$Q = 12.6 \times 10^{-3} (2220 \times (0 - (-10.0)) + 333000 + 4190 \times (15 - 0)) J$$

= 5267.4 J.

The change of entropy of the lake will be

$$\Delta S_4 = -\frac{5267.4}{288} \text{ J K}^{-1} = -18.2896 \text{ J K}^{-1}.$$

Therefore, the total change of entropy of the system will be

$$\Delta S = \Delta S_1 + \Delta S_2 + \Delta S_3 + \Delta S_4 = (1.0438 + 15.369 + 2.8238 - 18.2896) \text{J/K}$$

= 0.947 J K⁻¹.

