4 EVALUATE

The value of K is small, which is consistent with more N_2 and O_2 being present at equilibrium than NO. The answer has the correct number of significant figures and is close to an estimated value of

$$8\times 10^{-6}, calculated as \ \frac{(1\times 10^{-5})^2}{(6\times 10^{-3})(2\times 10^{-3})} \, .$$

PRACTICE

Answers in Appendix E

- 1. At equilibrium a mixture of N₂, H₂, and NH₃ gas at 500°C is determined to consist of 0.602 mol/L of N₂, 0.420 mol/L of H₂, and 0.113 mol/L of NH₃. What is the equilibrium constant for the reaction N₂(g) + 3H₂(g) \improx 2NH₃(g) at this temperature?
- 2. The reaction AB₂C(g)
 ⇒ B₂(g) + AC(g) reached equilibrium at 900 K in a 5.00 L vessel. At equilibrium 0.084 mol of AB₂C, 0.035 mol of B₂, and 0.059 mol of AC were detected. What is the equilibrium constant at this temperature for this system? (Don't forget to convert amounts to concentrations.)
- **3.** A reaction between gaseous sulfur dioxide and oxygen gas to produce gaseous sulfur trioxide takes place at 600°C. At that temperature, the concentration of SO₂ is found to be 1.50 mol/L, the concentration of O₂ is 1.25 mol/L, and the concentration of SO₃ is 3.50 mol/L. Using the balanced chemical equation, calculate the equilibrium constant for this system.



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SECTION REVIEW

- 1. What is meant by chemical equilibrium?
- 2. What is an equilibrium constant?
- **3.** How does the value of an equilibrium constant relate to the relative quantities of reactants and products at equilibrium?
- **4.** What is meant by a *chemical equilibrium expression*?
- **5.** Hydrochloric acid, HCl, is a strong acid that dissociates completely in water to form H_3O^+ and Cl^- . Would you expect the value of K for the reaction $HCl(aq) + H_2O(I) \longrightarrow H_3O^+(aq) + Cl^-(aq)$ to be 1×10^{-2} , 1×10^{-5} , or "very large"? Justify your answer.
- **6.** Write the chemical equilibrium expression for the reaction $4HCl(g) + O_2(g) \Longrightarrow 2Cl_2(g) + 2H_2O(g)$.

- 7. At equilibrium at 2500 K, [HCl] = 0.0625 mol/L and $[H_2] = [Cl_2] = 0.00450$ mol/L for the reaction $H_2(g) + Cl_2(g) \Longrightarrow 2HCl(g)$. Find the value of K.
- **8.** An equilibrium mixture at 425°C is found to consist of 1.83×10^{-3} mol/L of H₂, 3.13×10^{-3} mol/L of I₂, and 1.77×10^{-2} mol/L of HI. Calculate the equilibrium constant, *K*, for the reaction H₂(g) + I₂(g) \Longrightarrow 2HI(g).
- **9.** For the reaction $H_2(g) + I_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2HI(g)$ at 425°C, calculate [HI], given $[H_2] = [I_2] = 4.79 \times 10^{-4}$ mol/L and K = 54.3.

Critical Thinking

10. INFERRING RELATIONSHIPS Use the data from Experiment 1 in **Table 1** to calculate the value of K for the reaction $2HI(g) \rightleftharpoons H_2(g) + I_2(g)$. Do you see a relationship between the value you obtained and the value in the table?