

# Task1 - Working with functions

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1. Write a simple computer program that consists of a single function that takes as input the equilibrium concentration of the reactants of the following reaction,  $2NO_2 <-> N_2O_4$  and gives as output the  $K_{eq}$  (with the correct units) of the following reaction. Test the function with the following equilibrium concentrations:  $[NO_2] = 2$ ;  $[N_2O_4] = 3$

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def equilibrium_constant(NO2, N2O4):
    '''Calculates the equilibrium constant of the reaction 2NO2 <-> N2O4
    Parameters:
    NO2 (int): Concentration of NO2 in Mol
    N2O4 (int): Concentration of N2O4 in Mol

    Returns:
    k_eq (float): Equilibrium constant of the reaction
    units (str): Units of the equilibrium constant
    '''
    k_eq = N2O4 / (NO2**2)
    units = "M^-1"
    return k_eq, units

NO2 = 2
N2O4 = 3

k_eq, units = equilibrium_constant(NO2, N2O4)
print(f'The equilibrium constant is {k_eq} {units}')
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The equilibrium constant is 0.75 M<sup>-1</sup>

2. Modify the previous function to calculate the  $K_{eq}$  with the correct units for the following reaction:  $Na_2CO_3 + CaCl_2 <-> CaCO_3 + 2NaCl$  with equilibrium concentrations:  $[Na_2CO_3] = 2$ ;  $[CaCl_2] = 0.5$ ;  $[CaCO_3] = 2$ ;  $[NaCl] = 1.2$

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def equilibrium_constant2(reactives, products):
    '''Calculate equilibrium constant of a reaction
    Parameters:
    reactives (list): List with the concentration of reactives of the reaction
    products (list): List with the concentration of products of the reaction

    Returns:
    k_eq (float): Equilibrium constant of the reaction
    units (str): Units of the equilibrium
    '''
    k_eq = products[0] * products[1]**2 / (reactives[0] * reactives[1])
    units = "M^1"
    return k_eq, units

reactives= [2, 0.5]
products = [2, 1.2]

k_eq, units = equilibrium_constant2(reactives, products)
print(f'The equilibrium constant is {k_eq} {units}')
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The equilibrium constant is 2.88 M<sup>1</sup>

3. Write a general function for this.

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def equilibrium_constant_general(reactives, products):
    '''Calculate equilibrium constant of a reaction
    Parameters:
    reactives (dict): Dictionary with the reactives of the reaction
        and their stoichiometry
    products (dict): Dictionary with the products of the reaction
        and their stoichiometry

    Returns:
    k_eq (float): Equilibrium constant of the reaction
    units (str): Units of the equilibrium
    '''
    k_eq = 1.0 # Initialize equilibrium constant
    units = ""

    for species, (concentration, coeff) in products.items():
        k_eq *= concentration ** coeff
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for species, (concentration, coeff) in reactivities.items():
    k_eq /= concentration ** coeff

# Assuming concentration units are in mol/L
reactant_order = sum(coeff for _, coeff in reactivities.values())
product_order = sum(coeff for _, coeff in products.values())
net_order = product_order - reactant_order

if net_order > 0:
    units = f"(mol/L)^{net_order}"
elif net_order < 0:
    units = f"(L/mol)^{-net_order}"
else:
    units = "dimensionless"

return k_eq, units

reactivities = {"Na2CO3": (2, 1), "CaCl2": (0.5, 1)}
products = {"CaCO3": (2, 1), "NaCl": (1.2, 2)}

k_eq, units = equilibrium_constant_general(reactivities, products)
print(f"Equilibrium constant: {k_eq} {units}")

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Equilibrium constant: 2.88 (mol/L)<sup>1</sup>