

Question 11. A sample of HI (g) is placed in a flask at a pressure of 0.2 atm. At equilibrium partial pressure of HI (g) is 0.04 atm. What is  $K_p$  for the given equilibrium?

$$2HI(g) \longrightarrow H_2(g) + I_2(g)$$

Answer:

$$pHI = 0.04 \text{ atm}, pH_2 = 0.08 \text{ atm}; pI_2 = 0.08 \text{ atm}$$

$$K_p = \frac{pH_2 \times pI_2}{p_{HI}^2} = \frac{(0.08 \text{ atm}) \times (0.08 \text{ atm})}{(0.04 \text{ atm}) \times (0.04 \text{ atm})} = 4.0$$

Question 12. A mixture of 1.57 mol of  $N_2$ , 1.92 mol of  $H_2$  and 8.13 mol of  $NH_3$  is introduced into a 20 L reaction vessel at 500 K. At this temperature, the equilibrium constant  $K_{\rm C}$  for the reaction

$$N_2(g) + 3H_2(g) \implies 2NH_3(g) \text{ is } 1.7 \times 10^{-2}.$$

Is this reaction at equilibrium? If not, what is the direction of net reaction?

Answer:

The reaction is:  $N_2(g) + 3 H_2(g) \implies 2NH_3(g)$ 

Concentration quotient 
$$(Q_c) = \frac{\left[ \text{NH}_3 \right]^2}{\left[ \text{N}_2 \right] \left[ \text{H}_2 \right]^3} = \frac{(8.13/20 \text{ mol L}^{-1})^2}{(1.57/20 \text{ mol L}^{-1}) \times (1.92/20 \text{ mol L}^{-1})^3}$$
  
= 2.38 × 10<sup>3</sup>

The equilibrium constant ( $K_c$ ) for the reaction =  $1.7 \times 10^{-2}$  As  $Q_c \neq K_c$ ; this means that the reaction is not in a state of equilibrium.

Question 13. The equilibrium constant expression for a gas reaction is,

$$K_c = \frac{[NH_3]^4 [O_2]^5}{[NO]^4 [H_2O]^6}$$

Write the balanced chemical equation corresponding to this expression.

Answer: Balanced chemical equation for the reaction is 4

$$4 \text{ NO } (g) + 6H_2O(g) \implies 4 \text{ NH}_3(g) + 5 O_2(g)$$

Question 14. If I mole of  $\rm H_20$  and 1 mole of CO are taken in a 10 litre vessel and heated to 725 K, at equilibrium point 40 percent of water (by mass) reacts with carbon monoxide according to equation.

$$H_2O + CO(g) \rightleftharpoons H_2(g) + CO_2(g)$$

Calculate the equilibrium constant for the reaction.

Answer:

Number of moles of water originally present = 1 mol Percentage of water reacted =40% Number of moles of water reacted =  $1 \times 40/100 = 0.4$  mol Number of moles of water left = (1 - 0.4) = 0.6 mole

According to the equation, 0.4 mole of water will react with 0.4 mole of carbon monoxide to form 0.4 mole of hydrogen and 0.4 mole of carbon dioxide.

Thus, the molar cone, per litre of the reactants and products before the reaction and at the equilibrium point are as follows:

Mole/litre at the equilibrium point

$$\frac{1-0.4}{10} = \frac{0.6}{10} \qquad \frac{1-0.4}{10} = \frac{0.6}{10} \qquad \frac{0.4}{10} \qquad \frac{0.4}{10}$$

Applying law of chemical equilibrium,

Equilibrium constant (K<sub>c</sub>) = 
$$\frac{[H_2(g)][CO_2(g)]}{[H_2O(g)][CO(g)]} = \frac{\left(\frac{0.4}{10} \text{ mol } L^{-1}\right) \times \left(\frac{0.4}{10} \text{ mol } L^{-1}\right)}{\left(\frac{0.6}{10} \text{ mol } L^{-1}\right) \times \left(\frac{0.6}{10} \text{ mol } L^{-1}\right)}$$
$$= \frac{0.16}{0.36} = \mathbf{0.44}$$

Question 15. What is the equilibrium concentration of each of the substances in the equilibrium when the initial concentration of ICI was 0.78 M?

$$2ICl(g) = I_2(g) + Cl_2(g); K_c = 0.14$$

Answer

Suppose at equilibrium, the molar concentration of both  $I_2$  (g) and  $Cl_2$  (g) is x mol  $L^{-1}$ .

Initial molar conc Eqn. molar conc.

$$\frac{x}{(0.78-2x)} = (0.14)^{1/2} = 0.374 \text{ or } x = 0.374 (0.78-2x)$$

$$x = 0.292 - 0.748x \text{ or } 1.748x = 0.292; x = \frac{0.292}{1.748} = 0.167$$

$$[ICI] = (0.78 - 2 \times 0.167) = (0.78 - 0.334) = 0.446 M$$

$$[I_2] = 0.167 M; [Cl_2] = 0.167 M$$

Question 16. K =0.04 atm at 898 K for the equilibrium shown below. What is the equilibrium concentration ok  $C_2H_6$  when it is placed in a flask at 4 atm pressure, and allowed to come to equilibrium.

$$C_2H_6(g) \iff C_2H_4(g) + H_2(g)$$

Answer:

The equilibrium in the reaction is:

Initial pressure: Eqn. pressure:

$$C_{2}H_{6}(g) = C_{2}H_{4}(g) + H_{2}(g)$$

$$4 \text{ atm} \qquad 0 \qquad 0$$

$$(4-p) \text{ atm} \qquad p \text{ atm} \qquad p \text{ atm}$$

$$K_{p} = \frac{p_{C_{2}H_{4}} \times p_{H_{2}}}{p_{C_{2}H_{6}}} \quad \text{or} \quad 0.04 = \frac{p^{2}}{(4-p)}$$

$$p^{2} = 0.04 (4-p) \quad \text{or} \quad p^{2} + 0.04 p - 0.16 = 0$$

$$p = \frac{(-0.04) \pm \sqrt{0.0016 - 4(-0.16)}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{(-0.04) \pm 0.8}{2} = \frac{0.76}{2} = 0.38$$

Equilibrium pressure or concentration of  $C_2H_6 = (4 - 0.38) = 3.62$  atm.

Question 17. The ester, ethyl acetate is formed by the reaction of ethanol and acetic acid and the equilibrium is represented as:  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}(I) + \text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}(I) \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{COOC}_2\text{H}_5(I) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(I)$ 

(i) Write the concentration ratio (concentration quotient) Q for this

reaction. Note that water is not in excess and is not a solvent in this reaction

- (ii) At 293 K, if one starts with 1.000 mol of acetic acid and 0.180 mol of ethanol, there is 0.171 mol of ethyl acetate in the final equilibrium mixture. Calculate the equilibrium constant.
- (iii) Starting mth 0.50 mol of ethanol and 1.0 mol of acetic acid and maintaining it at 293 K, 0.214 mol of ethyl acetate is found after some time. Has equilibrium been reached?
- (i) The concentration ratio (Concentration quotient)  $Q_c$  for the reaction is:

$$Q_c = \frac{[\text{CH}_3\text{COOC}_2\text{H}_5(l)][\text{H}_2\text{O}(l)]}{[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}(l)][\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}(l)]}$$
(ii) 
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3\text{COOH}(l) + \text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}(l) \Longrightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{COOC}_2\text{H}_5(l) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(l)} \\ \text{Initial molar conc.} & 1.0 \text{ mol} & 0.18 \text{ mol} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \text{Molar conc. at} & (1 - 0.17l) & (0.18 - 0.17l) & 0.17l \text{ mol} & 0.17l \text{ mol} \\ \text{equilibrium point} & = 0.829 \text{ mol} & = 0.009 \text{ mol} \\ \text{Applying Law of Chemical equilibrium,} \\ \\ K_c = \frac{\left[\text{CH}_3\text{COOC}_2\text{H}_5\right](l)\left[\text{H}_2\text{O}(l)\right]}{\left[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}(l)\right]\left[\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}(l)\right]} \end{array}$$

Since  $Q_{\rm c}$  is less than  $K_{\rm c}$  this means that the equilibrium has not been reached. The reactants are still taking part in the reaction to form the products.

Question 18. A sample of pure PC $_5$  was introduced into an evacuated vessel at 473 K. After equilibrium was reached, the concentration of PCl $_5$  was found to be 0.5 x 10<sup>-1</sup> mol L<sup>-1</sup>. If K $_c$  is 8.3 x 10<sup>-3</sup> what are the concentrations of PCl $_3$  and Cl $_2$  at equilibrium? Answer:

Let the initial molar concentration of  $PCl_5$  per litre = x mol Molar concentration of  $PCl_5$  at equilibrium = 0.05 mol

 $\therefore$  Moles of PCl<sub>5</sub> decomposed = (x - 0.05) mol

Moles of  $PCl_3$  formed = (x - 0.05) mol

Moles of  $Cl_2$  formed = (x - 0.05) mol

The molar conc./litre of reactants and products before the reaction and at the equilibrium point are:

$$K_c = \frac{[PCl_3][Cl_2]}{[PCl_5]}; \quad 0.0083 = \frac{(x - 0.05) \times (x - 0.05)}{0.05}$$
$$(x - 0.05)^2 = 0.0083 \times 0.05 = 4.15 \times 10^{-4}$$
$$(x - 0.05) = (4.15 \times 10^{-4})^{1/2} = 2.037 \times 10^{-2} = 0.02 \text{ moles}$$
$$x = 0.05 + 0.02 = 0.07 \text{ mol}$$

The molar concentration per litre of  $PCl_3$  at eqm. = 0.07 - 0.05 = 0.02 mol The molar concentration per litre of  $Cl_2$  at eqm. = 0.07 - 0.05 = 0.02 mol.

Question 19. One of the reactions that takes place in producing steel from iron ore is the reduction of iron (II) oxide by carbon monoxide to give iron metal and  $CO_2$  FeO(s) + CO(g)  $\rightarrow$  Fe(s) + CO<sub>2</sub>(g);  $K_p$  = 0.265 atm at 1050 K

What are the equilibrium partial pressures of CO and CO $_2$  at 1050 K if the initial pressures are: P $_{CO}$  = 1.4 atm and P $_{CO2}$  = 0.80 atm? Answer:

FeO(s) + CO(g) 
$$\Longrightarrow$$
 Fe(s) + CO<sub>2</sub>(g)  
Initial pressure: 1.4 atm 0.8 atm
$$Q_p = \frac{p_{CO_2}}{p_{CO}} = \frac{(0.8 \text{ atm})}{(1.4 \text{ atm})} = 0.571$$

Since  $Q_p > K_p(0.265)$ , this means that the reaction will move in the backward direction to attain the equilibrium. Therefore, partial pressure of  $CO_2$  will decrease while that of CO will increase so that the equilibrium may be attained again. Let p atm be the decrease in the partial pressure of  $CO_2$ . Therefore, the partial pressure of  $CO_2$  will increase by the same magnitude i.e., p atm.

$$p_{\text{CO}_2} = (0.8 - p) \text{ atm}; p_{\text{CO}}(g) = (1.4 + p) \text{ atm}$$
At equilibrium,  $K_p = \frac{p_{\text{CO}_2}}{p_{\text{CO}}} = \frac{(0.8 - p) \text{ atm}}{(1.4 + p) \text{ atm}} = \frac{(0.8 - p)}{(1.4 + p)}$ 

or 
$$0.265 = \frac{(0.8 - p)}{(1.4 + p)}$$

$$\tilde{0}.371 + 0.265 p = 0.8 - p \text{ or } 1.265 p = 0.8 - 0.371 = 0.429$$

$$p = 0.429/1.265 = 0.339 \text{ atm}$$

$$(p_{CO})_{eq} = (1.4 + 0.339) = 1.739 \text{ atm}$$

$$(p_{CO_2})_{eq} = (0.8 - 0.339) = 1.461 \text{ atm}$$

## Question 20.

Equilibrium constant  $K_c$  for the reaction,  $N_2$  (g) +  $3H_2$  (g)  $\rightleftharpoons 2NH_3$  (g) at 500 K is 0.061. At particular time, the analysis shows that the composition of the reaction mixture is: 3.0 mol  $L^{-1}$  of  $N_2$ ; 2.0 mol  $L^{-1}$  of  $H_2$ ; 0.50 mol  $L^{-1}$  of  $NH_3$ . Is the reaction at equilibrium? If not, in which direction does the reaction tend to proceed to reach the equilibrium?

## Answer:

The given reaction is:

$$N_2(g) + 3H_2(g) \Longrightarrow 2NH_3(g)$$

According to available data.

$$N_2 = [3.0]; H_2 = [2.0]; NH_3 = [0.50]$$

$$Q_c = \frac{[NH_3(g)]^2}{[N_2(g)][H_2(g)]^3} = \frac{[0.50]^2}{[3.0][2.0]^3} = \frac{0.25}{24} = 0.0104.$$

Since the value of  $Q_c$  is less than that of  $K_c$  (0.061), the reaction is not in a state of equilibrium. It will proceed in the **forward direction** till  $Q_c$  becomes the same as  $K_c$ .

