

II. Short Answer Type Questions

Question 1. The following concentration were obtained for the formation of NH₃ from N₂ and H₂ at equilibrium at 500 K.[N₂(g)] = 1.5×10^{-2} M [H₂ (g)] = 3.0×10^{-2} M [NH₃] = 1.2×10^{-2} M. Calculate equilibrium constant.

Answer:

$$N_{2}(g) + 3H_{2}(g) \Longrightarrow 2NH_{3}(g)$$

$$K_{c} = \frac{\left[NH_{3}\right]^{2}}{\left[N_{2}\right]\left[H_{2}\right]^{3}}$$

$$= \frac{\left[1.2 \times 10^{-2} \text{M}\right]^{2}}{\left[1.5 \times 10^{-2} \text{M}\right]\left[3.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{M}\right]^{3}}$$

$$= 3.55 \times 10^{-2} \text{M}$$

Question 2. Write the equilibrium constant (K_c) expression for the following reactions.

(i)
$$Cu^{2+}(aq) + 2 Ag$$
 (s) $\Longrightarrow Cu(s) + 2Ag^{+}(aq)$
(ii) $4HCl(g) + O_2(g) \Longrightarrow 2Cl_2(g) + 2H_2O(g)$

Answer:

(i)
$$K_c = \frac{\left[Ag^+(aq)\right]^2}{\left[Cu^{2+}(aq)\right]}$$

(ii)
$$K_{c} = \frac{\left[\text{Cl}_{2}(g)\right]^{2} \left[\text{H}_{2}\text{O}(g)\right]^{2}}{\left[\text{HCl}(g)\right]^{4} \left[\text{O}_{2}(g)\right]}$$

Question 3. Given the equilibrium $N_2O_4(g) \rightarrow 2NO_2(g)$ K=0.15 atm at 298 K

- (a) What is K_p using pressure in torr?
- (b) What is K_c using units of moles per litre.

Answer:

(a)
$$K_p = \frac{(760 \text{ torr}) \times (0.15 \text{ atm})}{(1 \text{ atm})}$$

= 1.14 × 10² torr

(b)
$$K_{p} = K_{c} (RT)^{\Delta n}$$

$$K_{c} = \frac{K_{p}}{(RT)^{\Delta n}}$$

$$= \frac{(0.15 \text{ atm})}{(0.0821 \text{ L atm K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1} \times 298 \text{ K})^{2-1}}$$

$$= 6.13 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol L}^{-1}$$

Question 4. In the reaction $A + B \rightarrow C + D$, what will happen to the equilibrium if concentration of A is increased?

- (b) The equilibrium constant for a reaction is 2×10^{23} at 25°C and 2×10^{-2} at 50°C. Is the reaction endothermic or exothermic?
- (c) Mention at least three ways by which the concentration of ${\rm SO}_3$ can be increased in the following reaction in a state of equilibrium.

Answer:

- (a) The reaction will shift in the forward direction.
- (b) Endothermic
- (c) (i) lowering the temperature
- (ii) increasing pressure.
- (iii) increasing concentration of oxygen.

Question 5. (i) Define Le Chatelier's principle.

(ii) Following reactions occur in a Blast furnace.

$$Fe_2O_3(s) + 3CO(g) \rightarrow 2Fe(s) + 3CO_2(g)$$

use Le chatelier's principle to predict the direction of reaction when equilibrium mixture is disturbed by

- (a) adding Fe₂O₃
- (b) removing CO₂.
- (c) removing CO.

Answer:

- (i) When a system under equilibrium is subjected to a change in temperature, pressure or concentration, then the equilibrium shifts in such a direction so as to undo the effect of the change.
- (ii) (a) On adding $Fe_2O_3(s)$, the equilibrium will remain unaffected.
- (b) By removing CO_2 (g), the equilibrium will be shifted in the forward direction.
- (c) By removing CO(g), the equilibrium will be shifted in the backward direction.

