

Question 21. Bromine monochloride (BCI) decomposes into bromine and chlorine and reaches the equilibrium:

$$2BrCl(g) \iff Br_2(g) + Cl_2(g)$$

The value of Kc is 32 at 500 K. If initially pure BCl is present at a concentration of  $3.3 \times 10^{-3}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup> what is its molar concentration in the mixture at equilibrium?

Answer: Let x moles of B<sub>r</sub>Cl decompose in order to attain the equilibrium. The initial molar concentration and the molar concentration at equilibrium point of different species may be represented as follows:

Applying Law of chemical equilibrium,  $K_c = \frac{[Br_2][Cl_2]}{[BrCl]^2}$  or  $32 = \frac{(x/2) \times (x/2)}{(0.0033 - x)^2}$ 

On taking the square root,  $5.656 = \frac{x/2}{(0.0033 - x)}$ 

$$\frac{x}{(0.0033-x)}$$
 = 11.31 or 12.31x = 0.037 ;  $x = \frac{0.037}{12.31} = 0.003$ 

:. Molar concentration of BrCl at equilibrium point = 0.0033 - 0.003

Question 22. At 1127 K and 1 atmosphere pressure, a gaseous mixture of CO and  $\rm CO_2$  in equilibrium with solid carbon has 90.55% CO by mass.

$$C(s) + CO_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2CO(g)$$

Calculate K<sub>c</sub> for the reaction at the above temperature. Answer:

Step I: Calculation of  $K_n$  for the reaction

Let the total mass of the gaseous mixture = 100 g

Mass of CO in the mixture = 
$$90.55 \text{ g}$$
  
Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> in the mixture =  $(100 - 90.55) = 9.45 \text{ g}$ 

Mass of 
$$CO_2$$
 in the mixture =  $(100 - 90.55) = 9.45$  g

No. of moles of CO = 
$$\frac{90.55g}{(28g \text{ mol}^{-1})}$$
 = 3.234 mol

No. of moles of 
$$CO_2 = \frac{9.45}{(44g \text{ mol}^{-1})} = 0.215 \text{ mol}$$

$$p_{\text{CO}}$$
 in the mixture =  $\frac{(3.234 \text{ mol})}{(3.234 + 0.215)} \times 1 \text{ atm} = \frac{(3.234 \text{ mol})}{(3.449 \text{ mol})} \times 1 \text{ atm} = 0.938 \text{ atm}$ 

$$p_{CO_2}$$
 in the mixture =  $\frac{(0.215 \text{ mol})}{(3.449 \text{ mol})} \times 1 \text{ atm} = 0.062 \text{ atm}$ 

$$C(s) + CO_2(g) \implies 2CO(g)$$
  
0.062 atm 0.938 atm

$$K_p = \frac{p^2 \text{CO}}{p \text{CO}_2} = \frac{(0.938 \text{ atm})^2}{(0.062 \text{ atm})} = 14.19 \text{ atm}$$
Step II. Calculation of  $K_c$  for the reaction.

$$K_c = \frac{K_p}{(RT)^{\Delta ng}}$$

 $K_{n} = 14.19$  atm,

$$R = 0.0821 \text{ L atm K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}, T = 1127 \text{ K}; \Delta^{ng} = 2 - 1 = 1$$

$$K_c = \frac{(14.19 \text{ atm})}{(0.0821 \text{ L atm K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}) \times (1127 \text{ K})^1} = 6.46$$

Question 23. Calculate (a)  $\Delta G^-$  and (b) the equilibrium constant for the formation of NO<sub>2</sub> from NO and O<sub>2</sub> at 298 K

$$NO(g) + 1/2 \ O_2(g) \Longrightarrow NO_2(g) \ where$$
  $\Delta_f G^{\ominus} \ (NO_2) = 52.0 \ kJ/mol, \ \Delta_f G^{\ominus} \ (NO) = 87.0 \ kJ/mol, \ \Delta_f G^{\ominus} \ (O_2) = 0 \ kJ/mol,$ 

Answer:

Step I. Calculation of ∆G<sup>⊕</sup>

$$\Delta G^{\ominus} = \Delta_f G^{\ominus} (NO_2) - [\Delta_f G^{\ominus} (1/2O_2)]$$
  
= 52.0 - (87 + 0) = -35 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>

Step II. Calculation of K.

$$\Delta G^{\odot} = -2.303 \text{ RT log } K_c$$

$$log K_c = -\frac{\Delta G^{\odot}}{2.303 \text{ RT}} = -\frac{(-35 \times 10^3 \text{ J mol}^{-1})^3}{2.303 \times (8.314 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}) \times (298 \text{ K})} = 6.134$$

$$K_c = \text{Antilog } 6.314 = \textbf{1.36} \times \textbf{10}^6.$$

Question 24. Does the number of moles of reaction products increase, decrease or remain same when each of the following equilibria is subjected to a decrease in pressure bp increasing the volume?

(i) 
$$PCl_5(g) \Longrightarrow PCl_3(g) + Cl_2(g)$$
  
(ii)  $CaO(s) + CO_2(g) \Longrightarrow CaCO_3(s)$   
(iii)  $3Fe(s) + 4H_2O(g) \Longrightarrow Fe_3O_4(s) + 4H_2(g)$ 

Answer:

- (i) Pressure will increase in the forward reaction and number of moles of products will increase.
- (ii) Pressure will increase in backward reaction and number of moles of products will decrease.
- (iii) The change in pressure will have no effect on the equilibrium constant and there will be no change in the number of moles.

Question 25. Which of the following reactions will get affected by increase in pressure? Also mention whether the change will cause the reaction to go to the right or left direction.

(i) 
$$CH_4(g) + 2S_2(g) \iff CS_2(g) + 2H_2S(g)$$

(ii) 
$$CO_2(g) + C(s) \Longrightarrow 2CO(g)$$

(iii) 
$$4NH_3(g) + 5O_2(g) \implies 4NO(g) + 6H_2O(g)$$

(iv) 
$$C_2H_4(g) + H_2(g) \implies C_2H_6(g)$$

$$(v) \qquad COCl_2(g) \iff CO(g) + Cl_2(g)$$

(vi) 
$$CaCO_3(s) \rightleftharpoons CaO(s) + CO_2(g)$$

Answer: Only those reactions will be affected by increasing the pressure in which the number of moles of the gaseous reactants and products are different ( $n_p \neq n_r$ ) (gaseous). With the exception of the reaction (1); all the reamaining five reactions will get affected by increasing the pressure. In general,

- The reaction will go to the left if  $\eta_p > n_r$ .
- The reaction will go to the right if η > n<sub>p</sub>.
   Keeping this in mind,
- (i) Increase in pressure will not affect equilibrium because  $n_p = n_r = 3$
- (ii) Increase in pressure will favour backward reaction because  $n_{\rm p}$  (2) >  $n_{\rm r}$  (1)
- (iii) Increase in pressure will favour backward reaction because  $n_{\rm p}$  (10) >  $n_{\rm r}$  (9)
- (iv) Increase in pressure will favour forward reaction because  $n_p$  (1) <  $n_r$  (2)
- (v) Increase in pressure will favour backward reaction because  $n_p(2) > n_r(1)$
- (vi) Increase in pressure will favour backward reaction because

$$n_p(1) > n_r(0)$$

Question 26. The equilibrium constant for the following reaction is  $1.6 \times 10^5$  at 1024 K.

Find the equilibrium pressure of all gases if 10.0 bar of HB is introduced into a sealed container at 1024 K.

$$H_2(g) + Br_2(g) \longrightarrow 2HBr(g)$$

Ans.

Step I. Calculation of 
$$K_p$$
.

 $H_2(g) + Br_2(g) \longrightarrow 2HBr(g)$ 
 $K_p = K_c(RT)^{\Delta n} = K_c(RT)^0$  ( $\because \Delta_n = 2 - 2 = zero$ )

 $K_p = K_c = 1.6 \times 10^5$ .

Step II. Calculation of partial pressure of gases

 $2HBr(g) \longrightarrow H_2(g) + Br_2(g)$ 

Initial pressure

 $10 \text{ bar} \qquad zero \qquad zero$ 

Eqm. pressure

 $(10 - P) \text{ bar} \qquad P/2 \text{ bar}$ 

$$K_{p}' = \frac{pH_2 \times pBr_2}{p^2HBr}$$
 or  $\frac{1}{1.6 \times 10^5} = \frac{P/2 \times P/2}{(10-P)^2} = \frac{P^2}{4(10-P)^2}$ 

On taking square root; 
$$\frac{P^2}{4(10-P)^2} = \left(\frac{1}{1.6 \times 10^5}\right)^{1/2} \text{ or } \frac{2(10-P)}{P} = (1.6 \times 10^5)^{1/2}$$

$$= 4 \times 10^2$$

$$20 - 2P = 4 \times 10^2 \text{ P or } P(4 \times 10^2 + 2) = 20$$
or
$$P = \frac{20}{(400+2)} = \frac{20}{402} = 0.050 \text{ bar}$$

$$pH_2 = 0.025 \text{ bar}; pBr_2 = 0.025 \text{ bar}: pHBr = 10 - 0.05 = 9.95 \text{ bar} \approx 10.0 \text{ bar}.$$

Question 27.Hydrogen gas is obtained from the natural gas by partial oxidation with steam as per following endothermic reaction:

$$CH_4(g) + H_2O(g) \implies CO(g) + 3H_2(g)$$

Write the expression for Kpfor the above reaction How will the value of  ${\sf K}_{\sf p}$  and composition of equilibrium mixture be affected by:

- (i) increasing the pressure,
- (ii) increasing the temperature,
- (iii) using a catalyst?

Answer: The expression for  $K_p$  for the reaction is:

$$K_p = \frac{(pCO) \times (pH_2)^3}{(pCH_4) \times (pH_2O)}$$

- (i) By increasing the pressure, the number of moles per unit volume will increase. In order to decrease the same, the equilibrium gets shifted to the left or in the backward direction. As a result, more of reactants will be formed and the value of  $K_p$  will decrease.
- (ii) If the temperature is increased, according to Le Chatelier's principle, the forward reaction will be favoured as it is endothermic. Therefore, the equilibrium gets shifted to the right and the value of  $K_p$  will increase.
- (iii) The addition of catalyst will not change the equilibrium since it influences both the forward and the backward reactions to the same extent. But it will be attained more quickly.

Question 28. What is the effect of:

- (i) addition of H<sub>2</sub>
- (ii) addition of CH<sub>3</sub>OH
- (iii) removal of CO
- (iv) removal of CH<sub>3</sub>OH

## On the equilibrium $2H_2(g) + CO(g) \longrightarrow CH_3OH(g)$

Answer:

- (i) Equilibrium will be shifted in the forward direction.
- (ii) Equilibrium will be shifted in the backward direction.
- (iii) Equilibrium will be shifted in the backward direction.
- (iv) Equilibrium will be shifted in the forward direction.

Question 29. At 473 K, the equilibrium constant  $\rm K_{\rm c}$  for the decomposition of phosphorus pentachloride (PCl<sub>5</sub>) is 8.3 x 10<sup>-3</sup>. if decomposition proceeds as:

$$PCl_{5}(g) \implies PCl_{3}(g) + Cl_{2}(g)$$
;  $\Delta H = + 124.0 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ ,

- (a) Write an expression for  $K_r$  for the reaction
- (b) What is the value of  $K_{\rm c}$  for the reverse reaction at the same temperature.
- (c) What would be the effect on  $K_c$  if
- (i) More of PCl<sub>5</sub>is added
- (ii) Temperature is increased. Answer:

## (a) The expression for $K_c = \frac{[PCl_3(g)][Cl_2(g)]}{[PCl_5(g)]}$

(b) For reverse reaction 
$$(K_c') = \frac{\text{PCl}_5(g)}{[\text{PCl}_3(g)][\text{Cl}_2(g)]} = \frac{1}{8.3 \times 10^{-3}} = 120.48$$

- (c) (i) By adding more of  $PCl_5$ , value of  $K_c$  will remain constant because there is no change in temperature.
- (ii) By increasing the temperature, the forward reaction will.be favoured since it is endothermic in nature. Therefore, the value of equilibrium constant will increase.

Question 30. Dihydrogen gas used in Haber's process is produced by reacting methane from natural gas with high temperature steam. The first stage of two stage reaction involves the formation of CO and  $\rm H_2$  In second stage, CO formed in first stage is reacted with more steam in water gas shift reaction.

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

If a reaction vessel at 400°C is charged with an equimolar mixture of CO and steam so that  $P_{CO}$  =  $PH_2O$  = 4.0 bar, what will be the partial pressure of  $H_2$  at equilibrium?  $K_p$  = 0.1 at 400°C. Answer:

Let the partial pressure of hydrogen  $(H_2)$  at equilibrium point = p bar

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CO(g)} + \text{H}_2\text{O(g)} & \rightleftharpoons \text{CO}_2(g) + \text{H}_2(g) \\ \text{Initial pressure:} & 4.0 \text{ bar} & 4.0 \text{ bar} & 0 & 0 \\ \text{Eqm. pressure:} & (4-p)\text{bar} & (4-p)\text{ bar} & p \text{ bar} & p \text{ bar} \\ \end{array}$$

$$K_p = \frac{p_{\text{CO}_2} \times p_{\text{H}_2}}{p_{\text{CO}} \times p_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}} \quad \text{or} \quad 0.1 = \frac{(p \text{ bar}) \times (p \text{ bar})}{(4-p) \text{ bar} \times (4-p) \text{ bar}}$$

$$\frac{p^2}{(4-p)^2} = 0.1 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{p}{(4-p)} = (0.1)^{1/2} = 0.316$$

$$p = 0.316 (4-p) \quad \text{or} \quad p = 1.264 - 0.316 p$$

$$1.316 p = 1.264 \quad \text{or} \quad p = \frac{1.264}{1.316} = 0.96 \text{ bar}$$

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