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	$\text{PCl}_5(\text{g})$	\rightleftharpoons	$\text{PCl}_3(\text{g})$	+	$\text{Cl}_2(\text{g})$
Initial (M)	<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>
Change (M)	<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>
Equilibrium (M)	<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>

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$$2.86 \text{ g } \text{PCl}_5 \times \frac{1 \text{ mol } \text{PCl}_5}{208.24 \text{ g } \text{PCl}_5} = 0.013734 \text{ mol } \text{PCl}_5$$

$$[\text{PCl}_5]_{\text{initial}} = \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}} = \frac{0.013734 \text{ mol}}{0.7000 \text{ L}} = 0.01962 \text{ M}$$

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Initial (M)	0.01962		0		0
Change (M)	-x		+x		+x
Equilibrium (M)	0.01962-x		x		x

$$K_c = Q \Rightarrow 0.042 = \frac{(x)(x)}{0.01962-x}$$

Can we approximate? K_c is _____,

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