



## **CHAPTER 13** CHEMICAL EQUILIBRIA

## Introduction [13.1]

Basic idea of this chapter is to set up equations which all one to calculate the concentrations of reactants and products after a reaction has "run it's course" (after the rate is no longer changing)

#### **One-way versus Equilibrium Reactions**

- · For some reactions virually all reactants are converted to product ("one way")
- For other reactions, only part of the reactants are converted to products ("equilibrium")

One-way  $A \rightarrow B$ Dynamic Equilibrium  $\mathsf{A}\,\rightleftharpoons\,\mathsf{B}$ 

e.g., PHASE CHANGES are often in equilibrium

$$Br_2(I) \rightleftharpoons Br_2(g)$$



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• At equilibrium, the 'REACTION QUOTIENT' is referred to as the EQUILIBRIUM CONSTANT, which is assigned the variable "Kc" (rather than Qc)

Qc = constant s Equilibre Constant = Kc Caveat!!!

Kc changes with temperature

#### Shifting toward Equilibrium: Kc vs. Qc

• One way to know if a reaction is at equilibrium is to compare its calculated Qc value to the reactions known Kc value (this assumes Kc is known)

if Kc > Qc, then the reaction will shift to the right (the measured situation does not have enough product)

→ if Kc < Qc, then the reaction will shift to the left (the measured situation has too much product)

• Remember, Qc will change until it equals Kc; that is, the reaction will keep working toward equilibrium







• In industry, companies tend to want to make product, and so desire reactions for which K is as large as possible, which means little reactant is left over (unreacted). This translates to more product to sell and less waste.

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#### (EX) K vs. Q - Reaction Shift

i Kc for a reaction is 65.0, but the current concentrations of reactant and products give Q = 38.1, what will happen to the reaction mixture: it will shift to the right; it will shift to the left; or it will remain as it is?



large [REGACT]

#### - Need to know next three sections to be able to write expressions for "K" -

#### Activity vs. Concentration

- Activity and Concentration are related, but they are not exactly the same...
- · ACTIVITY is the "effective concentration" at specified conditions
  - → activities are dimensiónless
  - → for DILUTE SOLUTIONS, activity ~ [conc]
  - → for PURE SOLIDS AND LIQUIDS (consensed phases), activity = 1
  - rightarrow for BULK SOLVENTS, assume activity = 1

NOTE:

recognizing the above unity activity situations can greatly simply some of the calculations to come... factors of "1" can oft be ignored, simplying many equations which would otherwise be more complicated

# Homogeneous Equilibria

- All reactants and products are present in the same phase
- Two types
  - $\hookrightarrow$  all liquid solution
  - $\hookrightarrow$  all gas solution
- Review
  - $\hookrightarrow$  (s) = solid, activity = 1
  - (I) =liquid, activity = 1
  - └→ (g) = gas
  - (aq) = aqueous, activity = [conc] if dilute

# Partial Pressure vs. Concentration

• Because Partial Pressure is proportional to [CONC], equilibrium constants for solutions containing gases can be derived using pressure

$$PV = nRT$$
 is  $P = \frac{n}{V}RT$  is  $PV = MRT$  is  $P \propto M$ 

Generic expressions: Can write GAS solutions in terms of Partial Pressure or Concentration

$$aA(g) \rightleftharpoons bB(g) + cC(g)$$

$$K_p = rac{(P_B)^b (P_C)^c}{(P_A)^a} \qquad \qquad K_c = rac{[B]^b [C]^c}{[A]^a}$$

$$egin{array}{c} {\sf Caveat!!!} \ K_p \ 
e \ K_c \end{array}$$

 $2 H_{g} O_{(S)} \rightleftharpoons 2 H_{g} (e) + O_{2} (g)$  $K_2 = [o_2]$   $K_p = P_{o_2}$  $K_{c} = \frac{1}{[NH_{3}]^{2}} = [NH_{3}]^{-2}$  $K_{\mu} = \frac{1}{(P_{\mu H_{3}})^{2}} = (P_{\mu H_{3}})^{2}$ 

(EX) Expressions for K ¿Write expressions for Kc and/or Kp for the following reactions?

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• 
$$fb (U_2(5)) \Longrightarrow Pb_{(og)}^{2+} + 2U(q)$$
  $K_c = [Pb^{2+}][U^{-}]^2$   
•  $CaO(5) + (O_2(5)) \rightleftharpoons Ca(O_3(5))$   $K_c = \frac{1}{[CO_2]}$   
•  $C(5) + 2S(5) \Longrightarrow CS_2(5)$   $K_c = \frac{[CS_2]}{[S]^2}$   
•  $Br_a(1) \rightleftharpoons Br_2(5)$   $K_c = [Br_2]$   
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Kc(forward) vs. Kc(reverse)

$$A \stackrel{f}{\longleftrightarrow} B \qquad K_{g} = \frac{\Gamma B_{J}}{\Gamma A_{J}} \stackrel{f_{hp}}{\longrightarrow} K_{r} = \frac{CA_{J}}{\Gamma B_{J}} = \frac{1}{K_{f}}$$
$$K_{c,reverse} = \frac{1}{K_{c,forward}}$$

Kc vs. Kp

$$K_{p} = K_{c}(RT)$$
BCE coefficients
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$$K_p = K_c (RT)^{\Delta n}$$

(EX) Calculate Kp from Kc ¿The equilibrium constant for the Haber Process at 500 °C is 0.286. What is Kp??

$$K_p = K_c (RT)^{\Delta n} = (0.281) \left[ (0.0821) (773) \right]^{(2-4)} = \overline{7.10 \times (0^{-5})}$$

$$K_{p,original} = K_{p,new}^{n} \qquad n = multiplier factor
ver orgonomy orig \times n = new
e.g.  $2A \Longrightarrow 2B + C \qquad K_{c} = \frac{(3)^{2} \cdot 4}{(2)^{2}} = 9$   
 $\int \times \frac{1}{2}$   
 $A \Longrightarrow B + \frac{1}{2}C \qquad K_{c} = \frac{3 \cdot (4)^{l/2}}{2} = 3$   
concertinations don't  $K_{c}$  changes  
change blc chemist so [conc] can  
uses different coeff. stay the same$$



¿What is Kc for the reaction...

$$N_2O \rightleftharpoons N_2 + \frac{1}{2}O_2$$

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(EX) Calc EQ concentration from Kc

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¿What are the equilibrium concentrations for A,B,C,D if one started with 0.400 mol of A & B in a 2.00 L container, and knowing Kc = 49?

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$$M_{A} = M_{B} = 0.400 \text{ ml/}2.00L = 0.200$$

$$R = A + B \rightarrow C + D$$

$$I = 0.100 = 0.200 \quad p = p$$

$$C = -x - x + x + x$$

$$E = 0.2 - x = 0.2 - x = x + x + x$$

$$K_{c} = 49 = \frac{(x)(x)}{(0.2 - x)(0.2 - x)} = \frac{x^{2}}{(0.2 - x)^{2}}$$

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$$A = 0.200 - 9.175 = 0.025M$$

$$F = 0.025M$$

$$C = x = 0.175$$

$$D = x = 0.175$$

$$A = 0.175$$

The Quadratic Equation

for 
$$ax^{2} + bx + c = 0$$
  
$$X = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^{2} - 4ac}}{2a}$$

# Shifting Equilibria [13.3]

$$K_{c} = \frac{[PRODUCTS]^{p}}{[REACTANTS]^{r}} \xrightarrow{\text{If any one changes, another must from }}_{m to RESTORE} K$$

Rock-the-Boat: LeChatlier's Principle





SYS wants to keep same amount of "CROWDEDNESS"
 ③ 1P, IV → more crowded → SHFT to side that gives smaller, # particles
 ⑥ IP, IV → less crowded → SHFT to side that gives harding # particles

Catalyst

No affect on K

The Haber Process Dilemma (a case study of when equilibrium and kinetics work against each other)

$$N_2(g) + 3 H_2(g) \rightarrow 2 NH_3(g)$$
  $\Delta H = -92 kJ/mol rxn$ 

Determining Relative Changes — The "I" in "RICE"

Three Basic Types of Equilibrium Problems

(EX) Calc [conc] for 1 Unknown from Kc [ex 13.7] ¿NO₽ is produced by reaction of N2 and O2 at high temperature. At 2000 K, Kc = 4.1E–4. Find the [NO] in the equilibrium mixture with air at 1 atm, at this temperature, knowing that in air, [N2] = 0.036 M and [O2] = 0.0089 M?

T= 2000 K ວູ -> 2NO R ι 0.036 00099 C  $\prec$ G (.034) 0.0089 2× 0.0089-× 0.476  $\checkmark$  $[N_2][0_2]$ Ke = 4.15-+ =

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$$K_{c} = Q_{c} = \frac{[N_{0}]^{2}}{[N_{2}][o_{2}]}$$

$$[N_{0}]^{2} = K_{c}[N_{2}][o_{2}]$$

$$[N_{0}] = \sqrt{K_{c}[N_{2}][o_{2}]}$$

$$= \sqrt{(4.1 \times 10^{-4})(0.036)(0.0087)}$$

$$[N_{0}] = 3.(\times 10^{-4} M)$$



#### (EX) EQ Shift Calculation: Quantitative

¿If a system at equilibrium has the following concentrations, what is the affect of halving the volume?



# Approximate Solutions: when K is very small (makes problem much easier)

• If K is very small, the Quedra be Eg can off be avoided • 5% rule is invoked

(EX) The 5% Rule Illustrated ¿What are the equilibrium concentratons in a 0.15 M HCN solution?

$$\begin{cases} HCN(aq) = H^{+}(aq) + CN^{-}(aq) & Kc = 4.9E-10 \\ \downarrow & 0.15 & \# & \# \\ \zeta & -x & +x & +x \\ \zeta & 0.15 & -x & -x & -x \\ \hline & & 0.15 & -x & -x & -x \\ \hline & & & & & & \\ K_{c} = 4.9 \times 10^{-10} = \frac{(X)(X)}{(0.15 - x)} & = 4.9 \times 10^{-10} = \frac{X^{2}}{0.15} \\ \hline & & & & & \\ Very small and ... respect & & & & & \\ Will discuss next section, how you know when you can and can't ignore a value & & & & & \\ C Hack 58 Rul & \leftarrow & & & & & \\ X = 8.6 \times 10^{-6} M \\ \hline \end{cases}$$

(see next page)

### The 5% Rule – How does it work?

• The basics idea is that the calculated concentration is acceptable IF that calculated value varies less than 5% of the starting amount.

• Depending on the situation, your employer might accept a 10% variance, or maybe want no more than a 1% variance... but for this class, we'll go with 5%

How to calculate %Variance

QUESTION: Is the variance less than 5%? ANSWER: Calculate variance, then compare it to 5%.

 $\% \ variance \ = \ rac{calculated \ amount}{initial \ amount} x \ 100$ 

(example next page)

(EX) ...continuing from the previous example problem... ¿Having calculated equilibrium concentratoins in a 0.15 M HCN solution using the 5% rule, is the final values acceptable?

 $\% variance = \frac{calculated amount}{initial amount (or C_a)} \times 100 = \frac{\times}{0.15} \times 100 = \frac{2.6 \times 10^{-6} \times 100}{0.15} \times 100 = 0.066\%$   $O|4: \quad 0.006\% \leqslant 5\%$ 

Alternate mathematical version (easier math)

Is  $C_a$  greater than 20 x?

1 > 20

"BEFORE-the-calculation" best guess as to whether or not the 5% rule will work (from source other than the textbook)

Is  $C_a$  greater than 100  $K_a$ ?

$$C_a > 100 K_a$$
  
0.15 > 100 (4.9  $\epsilon$  -10)  
0.15 > 4.9  $\epsilon$  -8

Before-the-fact: compare Ca to Ka.	$C_a$	>	$100~K_a$
After-the-fact: compare Ca to x	$C_a$	>	20~x

(EX) Calc % Decomposition of Product <hard>

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 $K_c$  values are:  $K_c = 35,000 \ C \ 1247 K$  if  $1 \ 9260$   
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Ke values are:  $K_c = 35,000$  @ 1445 K ? 14H= unstanded (base Ke)  
 $K_c = 160,000$  @ 1247 K } : must be EXD thermic  
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 $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$ 

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(EX) Addn of material to system at Equilibrium

¿H2 and 12 are mixed at 229 °C in a sealed 1.00 L container. Equilibrium is established at [H2] = 0.080 M, [I2] = 0.060 M, and [HI] = 0.490 M. If 0.300 mol of HI is then added, what concentrations are present when equilibrium is re-established?



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#### **Cheat Sheet Notes**

