

# Unit 9: Chemical Kinetics & Equilibrium

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9.1 I can explain the factors that affect the rate of chemical reactions.

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## Reaction Rates

Chemical Kinetics:

Chemical reactions occur at different rates

The basis for the study of the rate of chemical reactions is ...

- \_\_\_\_\_ of reaction rate and mechanism

## Collision Theory

- Explains why different reactions occur at different rates, and suggests ways to change the rate of a reaction.
- States that for a chemical reaction to occur, the reacting particles must \_\_\_\_\_ with one another.
  - The rate of the reaction depends on the \_\_\_\_\_
  - The theory also tells us that reacting particles often \_\_\_\_\_
- For collisions to be successful, reacting particles must collide
  - with \_\_\_\_\_ (has to be hard enough to react)
  - with \_\_\_\_\_ (like a puzzle!)

## Questions related to kinetics . . .

- How quickly can a medicine work?
- Is ozone forming at the same rate it is depleting?
- What determines how quickly food spoils?
- How would you design a fast-setting material for dental fillings?
- What controls the rate at which fuel burns in your car's engine?

## Factors Affecting Reaction Rates

Four factors control the rate of reaction

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

## **Concentration**

Summary of Observations

Molecular level drawing

Conclusions drawn

## **Surface Area**

Summary of Observations

Molecular level drawing

Conclusions drawn

## **Temperature**

Summary of Observations

Molecular level drawing

Conclusions drawn

## **Catalysis**

Summary of Observations

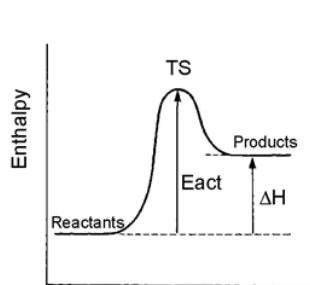
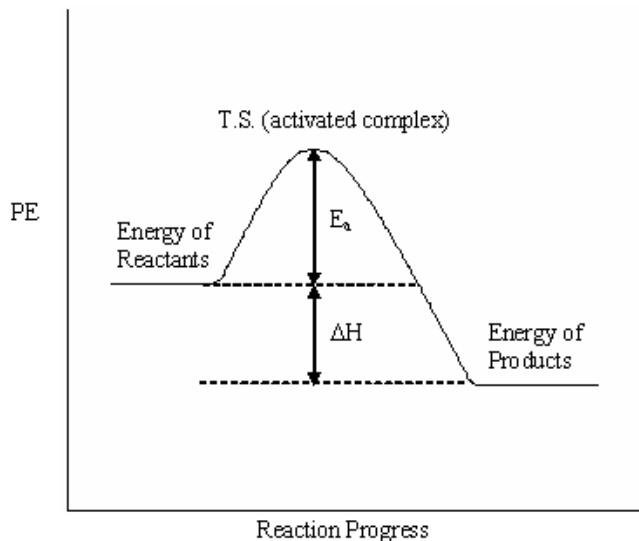
Molecular level drawing

Conclusions drawn

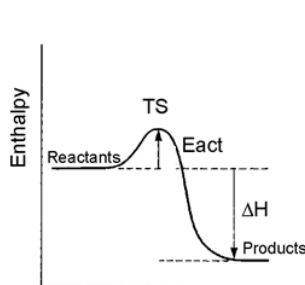
## Potential Energy Diagrams

Show potential energy changes as a reaction progresses

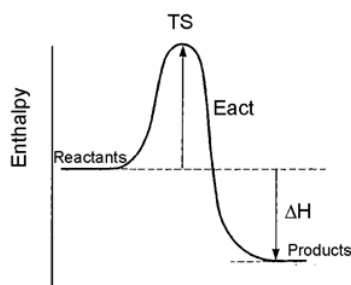
- Exothermic Reaction
  - Net loss of energy:
- Endothermic reaction
  - Net gain of energy:



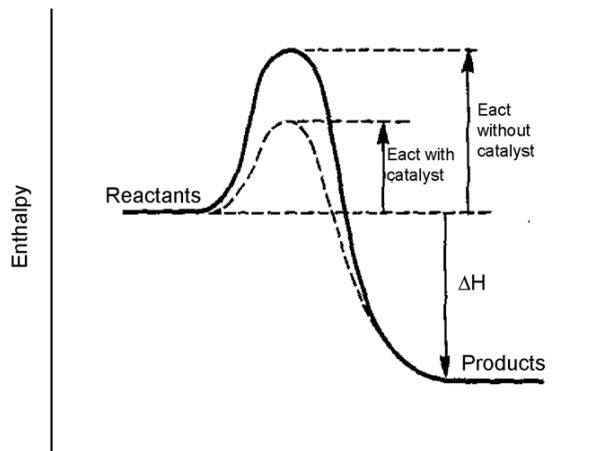
**X**



**Y**



**Z**



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9.2 I can describe the dynamic nature of equilibrium systems

## Chemical Reactions

Chemical reactions occur to . . .

Reactions "end" when a reactant is used up, or when the system reaches a state of maximum stability as a result of opposing forces (reactions) balancing out

Knowing how to predict and control the final composition of a reaction system is the study of ...

Very important to industrial chemical processes. Why?

## Irreversible Reactions

- reactants are . . .
- products are . . .
- Examples
  - 
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## Reversible Reactions

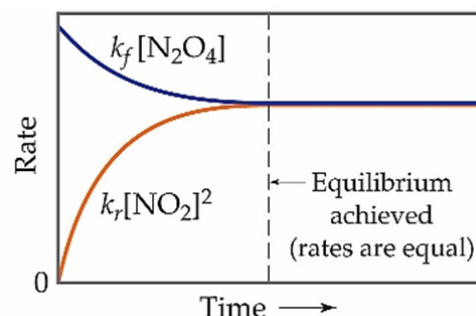
Reaction in which the \_\_\_\_\_.

The reaction can go both ways:

Initially, \_\_\_\_\_ reaction dominates due to relative concentration of reactants and products

As products increase and reactants decrease, reverse reaction \_\_\_\_\_ and forward reaction \_\_\_\_\_

What happens when the rate of the forward reaction becomes equal to the rate of the reverse reaction?



## Equilibrium

A chemical reaction is in equilibrium when there is no net change in the amount of reactants and products

Rate of forward and reverse reactions are equal.

**equilibrium is a dynamic process** in which **microscopic change** (the forward and reverse reactions) continues to occur, but **macroscopic change** (changes in the quantities of substances) is absent.

For  $\text{H}_2 + \text{I}_2 \rightleftharpoons 2\text{HI}$

At equilibrium, HI breaks down as fast as it forms

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9.3 I can derive reaction quotients (Q) and equilibrium constants (K) for both homogeneous and heterogeneous reactions in concentration and pressure, and use them to predict properties of an equilibrium mixture.

## Reaction Quotient, Q

The status of a reversible reaction can be determined by looking at its reaction quotient, Q. This is a comparison between the relative amounts of \_\_\_\_\_

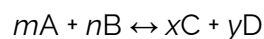
\_\_\_\_\_

$Q_c$  = reaction quotient expressed in terms of \_\_\_\_\_

Suitable for \_\_\_\_\_

$Q_p$  = reaction quotient expressed in terms of \_\_\_\_\_

Only for \_\_\_\_\_

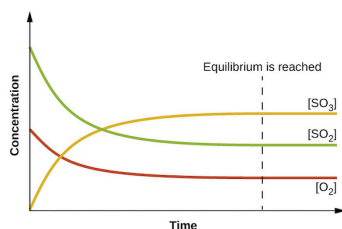
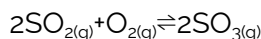
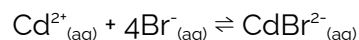
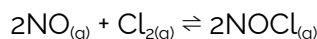
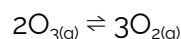
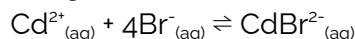
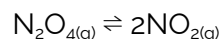


$Q_c =$

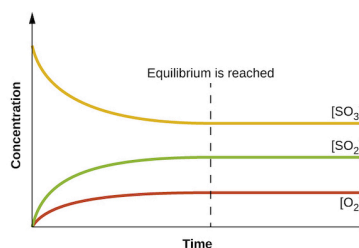
$Q_p =$

## Practice: Writing $Q_c$ expressions

Write the reactant quotient expression ( $Q_c$ ) for the following reactions



All product no reactant,



All reactant no product,

Reaction proceeds \_\_\_\_\_ to reach equilibrium

Reaction proceeds \_\_\_\_\_ to reach equilibrium

We're at Equilibrium...now what???

The reaction will move forward or reverse to reach \_\_\_\_\_

Once at equilibrium, Q becomes \_\_\_\_\_

This is referred to as the \_\_\_\_\_

## Law of Mass Action

Expresses the relationship between product and reactant \_\_\_\_\_

In a reaction  $mA + nB \leftrightarrow xC + yD$ ,

Depends only on ...

Temperature ...

## Practice: Haber Process

Write the equilibrium constant expression ( $K_c$  and  $K_p$  for the Haber process:  $N_{2(g)} + 3H_{2(g)} \rightleftharpoons 2NH_{3(g)}$ )

## Heterogeneous Equilibria

Reaction system in which more than one phase is present

Examples

- $CaCO_3(s) \rightleftharpoons CO_2(g) + CaO(s)$
- $CO_2(g) + H_2(g) \rightleftharpoons CO(g) + H_2O(l)$
- $I_2(s) \rightleftharpoons I_2(g)$

Position of equilibrium does not depend on \_\_\_\_\_ as long as some is present

Terms for \_\_\_\_\_ need not appear in expression for K

## Example: Heterogeneous Reactions

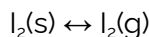
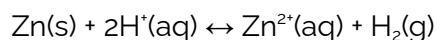
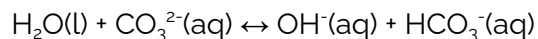
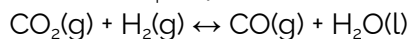


$K_c =$

$K_p =$

## Practice: Heterogeneous Reactions

Write  $K_c$  and  $K_p$  expressions for the following:



## Summary of Equilibrium Constant Expression Rules

Equilibrium systems may involve . . .

For the reaction quotient (Q) and equilibrium constant expression (K):

- Gases enter as their partial pressures in atm
- Pure liquids or solids do not appear; neither does solvent for a reaction in dilute solution
- Species (ions or molecules) in water solution enter as their molar concentrations

### Equilibrium Constant and Extent of Reaction

Interpretation of size of K

- equilibrium constants within range of roughly...
- chemically significant amount of all components of the reaction system will be present in an equilibrium mixture
- reaction will be ...

As equilibrium constant approaches zero

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As equilibrium constant approaches infinity

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K depends only on...

## Example: Interpreting Magnitude

For the reaction  $\text{H}_{2(\text{g})} + \text{I}_{2(\text{g})} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{HI}_{(\text{g})}$ ,  $K_p=794$  at 298 K and  $K_p=54$  at 700 K. Is the formation of HI favored more at high temperatures or low temperatures? Why?



### \Comparison of Q to K

- $Q < K$ 
  - o Too much \_\_\_\_\_ compared to \_\_\_\_\_
  - o Reaction proceeds in ...
- $Q = K$ 
  - o System at \_\_\_\_\_
  - o Forward and reverse reactions ...
- $Q > K$ 
  - o Too much \_\_\_\_\_ compared to \_\_\_\_\_
  - o Reaction proceeds in ...

### Example: Direction of Reaction

Consider the following reaction system at 100.°C



Predict the direction in which the reaction will occur to reach equilibrium starting with 0.20 mole of  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$  and 0.20 mole of  $\text{NO}_2$  in a 4.0 L container.

### Practice: Direction of Reaction

At 448 °C:  $\text{H}_2(\text{g}) + \text{I}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{HI}(\text{g}) \quad K_c = 50.5$

Predict in which direction the reaction will proceed to reach equilibrium at 448 °C if we start with  $2.0 \times 10^{-2}$  mol of HI,  $1.0 \times 10^{-2}$  mol of  $\text{H}_2$ , and  $3.0 \times 10^{-2}$  mol of  $\text{I}_2$  in a 2.00-L container.

### Practice: Direction of Reaction

At 1000 K,  $2\text{SO}_3(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{SO}_2(\text{g}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \quad K_p = 0.338$

Calculate  $Q_p$  and predict the direction in which the reaction will proceed toward equilibrium if the initial partial pressures are  $P_{\text{SO}_3} = 0.16$  atm,  $P_{\text{SO}_2} = 0.41$  atm and  $P_{\text{O}_2} = 2.5$  atm

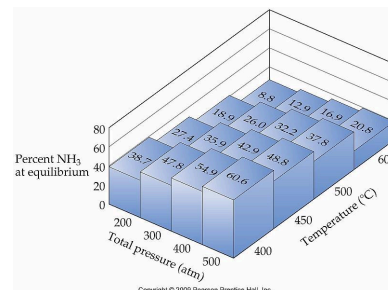
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9.4 I can define Le Chatelier's principle and apply it to predict the shift in a reaction when conditions (concentration, pressure, temperature) are changed.

## Haber Process in Practice

Haber experimented with all kinds of circumstances to figure out how to best produce  $\text{NH}_3$

He was looking for the highest % of product at equilibrium



Effect of Changes in Conditions Upon an Equilibrium System

Le Chatelier's Principle: If a system at equilibrium is disturbed (placed under stress) by a change in concentration, pressure, or temperature, the system will, ...

Deficit stress-

- Causes the reaction to ...

Excess stress-

- Causes the reaction to ...

## Adding or Removing Gaseous Species



Add  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})$ -

- Forward reaction ...
- Some of the added  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})$  is ...
- System shifts to the ...

Remove  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})$ -

- Forward reaction ...
- Reverse reaction ...
- System shifts to the...

Predict the effects of

- Adding  $\text{NO}_2(\text{g})$
- Removing  $\text{NO}_2(\text{g})$

## Compression or Expansion

Reaction:  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{NO}_2(\text{g})$

Compression

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- Reaction takes place ...

Expansion

•

- Reaction takes place ...

•

Effect of Pressure upon the Position of Gaseous Equilibria			
System	$\Delta n_{\text{gas}}$	$P_{\text{tot}}$ Increases	$P_{\text{tot}}$ Decreases
$\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{NO}_2(\text{g})$	+1	←	→
$\text{SO}_2(\text{g}) + \frac{1}{2} \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons \text{SO}_3(\text{g})$	-1/2	→	←
$\text{N}_2(\text{g}) + 3\text{H}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{NH}_3(\text{g})$	-2	→	←
$\text{C}(\text{s}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons \text{CO}(\text{g}) + \text{H}_2$	+1	←	→
$\text{N}_2(\text{g}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{NO}(\text{g})$	0	0	0

## Practice: Effect of Total Pressure on Equilibrium

The pressure of each of the following systems is decreased from 5 atm to 1 atm. Which way does the equilibrium shift?

- $2\text{CO}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{CO}(\text{g}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g})$
- $\text{H}_2(\text{g}) + \text{I}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{HI}(\text{g})$
- $\text{H}_2(\text{g}) + \text{I}_2(\text{s}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{HI}(\text{g})$

## Changing Temperature

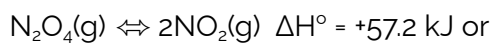
Treat heat term in a thermochemical equation as ...

Endothermic-

Exothermic-

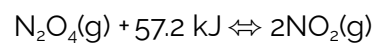
Increase T-"excess shift"

Decrease T-"deficit stress"

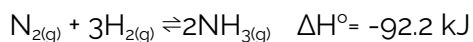


Increase heat-

Decrease heat-



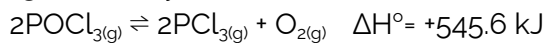
## Example: Temperatures Effect on K



Determine how the equilibrium constant for this reaction should change with temperature.

## Practice: Temperatures Effect on K

Using thermodynamic data, determine the enthalpy change for the reaction



Use this result to determine how the equilibrium constant for the reaction should change with temperature.

## Example: Le Châtelier's Principle

Consider the equilibrium:  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{NO}_2(\text{g}) \quad \Delta H^\circ = +57.2 \text{ kJ}$

In which direction will the equilibrium shift when

- $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$  is added
- $\text{NO}_2$  is removed
- the total pressure is increased by addition of  $\text{N}_2(\text{g})$
- the volume is increased
- the temperature is decreased

## Practice: Le Châtelier's Principle

For the reaction  $\text{PCl}_5(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons \text{PCl}_3(\text{g}) + \text{Cl}_2(\text{g}) \quad \Delta H^\circ = +87.9 \text{ kJ}$

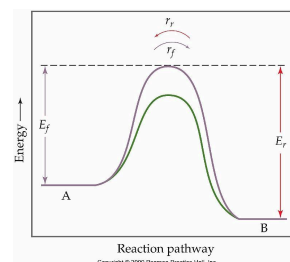
In which direction will the equilibrium shift when

- $\text{Cl}_2(\text{g})$  is removed
- the temperature is decreased
- the volume of the reaction system is increased
- $\text{PCl}_3(\text{g})$  is added

## Effect of Catalyst on Equilibrium

Catalysts do not affect the position of the equilibrium, ...

Forward and reverse reaction rates are ...



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**9.5 I can calculate equilibrium concentrations using the value of the equilibrium constant,  $K_{eq}$ .**

## Determination of K

There are a variety of calculations that can be done involving K:

- All equilibrium values are given

- A mix of initial and equilibrium values are given
- All initial values are given

### Example: All Equilibrium concentrations are known

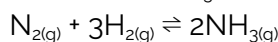
Ammonium chloride is sometimes used as a flux in soldering because it decomposes upon heating:



The HCl formed removes oxide films from metals to be soldered. In a certain equilibrium system at 400°C, 12.0 g of  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  is present; the partial pressures of  $\text{NH}_3$  and HCl are 3.0 atm and 5.0 atm respectively. Calculate  $K_p$  at 400°C.

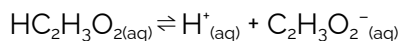
### Example: All Equilibrium concentrations are known

A mixture of hydrogen and nitrogen in a reaction vessel is allowed to attain equilibrium at 472 °C. The equilibrium mixture of gasses was analyzed and found to contain 7.38 atm  $\text{H}_2$ , 2.46 atm  $\text{N}_2$ , and 0.166 atm  $\text{NH}_3$ . From these data, calculate the equilibrium constant  $K_p$  for the reaction.



### Practice: All Equilibrium values are known

An aqueous solution of acetic acid is found to have the following equilibrium concentrations at 25 °C:  $[\text{HC}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2] = 1.65 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}$ ;  $[\text{H}^+] = 5.44 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$ ; and  $[\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^-] = 5.44 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$ . Calculate the equilibrium constant  $K_c$  for the ionization of acetic acid at 25 °C.



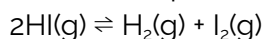
### Relative Changes in Amount

Equation	Direction?
$2\text{SO}_{2\text{(g)}} + \text{O}_{2\text{(g)}} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{SO}_{3\text{(g)}}$	
$\text{C}_4\text{H}_{8\text{(g)}} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{C}_2\text{H}_{4\text{(g)}}$	
$4\text{NH}_{3\text{(g)}} + 7\text{O}_{2\text{(g)}} \rightleftharpoons 4\text{NO}_{2\text{(g)}} + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}_{\text{(g)}}$	

## ICE Tables

### Example: Initial and Equilibrium values are known

Consider the equilibrium system:



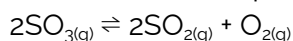
Originally, there is only HI at a pressure of 1.00 atm at 520°C. The equilibrium partial pressure of  $\text{H}_2$  is found to be 0.10 atm. Calculate  $P_{\text{I}_2}$  and  $P_{\text{HI}}$  at equilibrium, and  $K_p$

### Example: Initial and Equilibrium concentrations are known

A closed system initially containing  $1.000 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M } \text{H}_2$  and  $2.000 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M } \text{I}_2$  at 448 °C is allowed to reach equilibrium. Analysis of the equilibrium mixture shows that the concentration of HI is  $1.87 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$ . Calculate  $K_c$  at 448 °C for the reaction taking place, which is  $\text{H}_2(\text{g}) + \text{I}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{HI}(\text{g})$

### Practice: Initial and Equilibrium concentrations are known

Sulfur trioxide decomposes at high temperature in a sealed container:



Initially, the vessel is charged at 1000 K with  $\text{SO}_3$  at a partial pressure of 0.500 atm. At equilibrium the  $\text{SO}_3$  partial pressure is 0.200 atm. Calculate the value of  $K_p$  at 1000 K.

## Extent of Reaction; Equilibrium Partial Pressures

Steps for Problem Solving

1. Write expression for  $K$  using balanced equation
2. Express equilibrium partial pressures (or concentrations) in terms of "x" using stoichiometry
3. Substitute equilibrium terms into expression for  $K$  and solve for "x" (you may need to use the quadratic equation!)
4. Substitute "x" back into equilibrium expressions to find equilibrium partial pressures or concentrations.

## Relative Changes in Amount

Equation	Direction?
$\text{C}_2\text{H}_{2(g)} + 2\text{Br}_{2(g)} \rightleftharpoons \text{C}_2\text{H}_2\text{Br}_{4(g)}$	
$\text{I}_{2(aq)} + \text{I}^-_{(aq)} \rightleftharpoons \text{I}_3^-_{(aq)}$	
$\text{C}_3\text{H}_{8(g)} + 5\text{O}_{2(g)} \rightleftharpoons 3\text{CO}_{2(g)} + 4\text{H}_2\text{O}_{(g)}$	

### Example: Calculating P from K

For the Haber process,  $\text{N}_{2(g)} + 3\text{H}_{2(g)} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{NH}_{3(g)}$  with  $K_p = 1.45 \times 10^{-5}$  at  $500^\circ\text{C}$ . In an equilibrium mixture of these three gases at  $500^\circ\text{C}$ , the partial pressure of  $\text{H}_2$  is 0.928 atm and that of  $\text{N}_2$  is 0.432 atm. What is the partial pressure of  $\text{NH}_3$  at equilibrium?

### Practice: Calculating P from K

At 500 K,  $\text{PCl}_{5(g)} \rightleftharpoons \text{PCl}_{3(g)} + \text{Cl}_{2(g)}$   $K_p = 0.497$

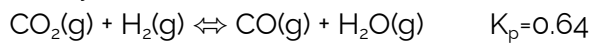
In an equilibrium mixture at 500 K, the partial pressure of  $\text{PCl}_5$  is 0.860 atm and that of  $\text{PCl}_3$  is 0.350 atm. What is the partial pressure of  $\text{Cl}_2$  in the equilibrium mixture?

### Example: Calculating Equilibrium from Initial Amounts

A 1.000-L flask is filled with 1.000 mol of  $\text{H}_2$  and 2.000 mol of  $\text{I}_2$  at  $448^\circ\text{C}$ . The value of the equilibrium constant  $K_c$  for the reaction  $\text{H}_2(g) + \text{I}_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{HI}(g)$  at  $448^\circ\text{C}$  is 50.5. What are the equilibrium concentrations of  $\text{H}_2$ ,  $\text{I}_2$ , and  $\text{HI}$ ?

### Example: Calculating Equilibrium from Initial Amounts

For the system at 900K :



Originally, only  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{H}_2$  are present, each at a partial pressure of 1.00 atm. What are the equilibrium partial pressures of all species?

### Practice: Calculating Equilibrium from Initial Amounts

Phosgene ( $\text{COCl}_2$ ) is a poisonous gas that dissociates at high temperature into two other poisonous gases, carbon monoxide and chlorine. The equilibrium constant  $K_p = 0.0041$  at 600K. Find the equilibrium composition of the system after 0.124 atm of  $\text{COCl}_2$  is allowed to reach equilibrium at this temperature.

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Consider the following reaction system at 100°C,  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{NO}_2(\text{g})$   $K_p = 11$

Starting with pure  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$  at a pressure of 2.00 atm, what will be the equilibrium partial pressures of  $\text{NO}_2$  and  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ ?



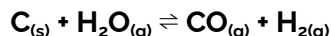
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At equilibrium at 500 K,  $\text{PCl}_{5(g)} \rightleftharpoons \text{PCl}_{3(g)} + \text{Cl}_{2(g)}$   $K_p = 0.497$

A gas cylinder at 500 K is charged with  $\text{PCl}_{5(g)}$  at an initial pressure of 1.66 atm. What are the equilibrium pressures of  $\text{PCl}_{5(g)}$ ,  $\text{PCl}_{3(g)}$ , and  $\text{Cl}_{2(g)}$  at this temperature?

## Putting it all Together

At temperatures near 800 °C, steam passed over hot coke (a form of carbon obtained from coal) reacts to form CO and  $\text{H}_2$ :



The mixture of gases that results is an important industrial fuel called *water gas*.

At 800 °C the equilibrium constant for this reaction is  $K_p = 14.1$ .

- What are the equilibrium partial pressures of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , CO, and  $\text{H}_2$  in the equilibrium mixture at this temperature if we start with solid carbon and 0.100 mol of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in a 1.00-L vessel?
- What is the minimum amount of carbon required to achieve equilibrium under these conditions?
- What is the total pressure in the vessel at equilibrium?
- At 25 °C the value of  $K_p$  for this reaction is  $1.7 \times 10^{-21}$ . Is the reaction exothermic or endothermic?
- To produce the maximum amount of CO and  $\text{H}_2$  at equilibrium, should the pressure of the system be increased or decreased?