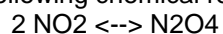


Equilibrium Calculations Problem Set

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The equilibrium for the following chemical reaction is very temperature dependent.



1. Write the equilibrium expression for this reaction.

$$K = \frac{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4}{(\text{NO}_2)^2}$$

2. Calculate the equilibrium constant given the initial equilibrium conditions at 320 K where:

$$P_{\text{NO}_2} := 0.10 \cdot \text{atm}$$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4} := 0.018 \cdot \text{atm}$$

$$K_p := \frac{P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4}}{P_{\text{NO}_2}^2}$$

$$K_p = 1.8 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1}$$

3. Given the following initial conditions, predict the direction of the reaction.

a. $P_{\text{NO}_2} := 0.10 \cdot \text{atm}$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4} := 0.10 \cdot \text{atm}$$

$$Q_p := \frac{P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4}}{P_{\text{NO}_2}^2}$$

$$Q_p = 10 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1}$$

$$K_p = 1.8 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1}$$

If $Q > K$, reverse reaction favored
If $Q < K$, forward reaction favored

b. $P_{\text{NO}_2} := 0.010 \cdot \text{atm}$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4} := 0.010 \cdot \text{atm}$$

$$Q_p := \frac{P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4}}{P_{\text{NO}_2}^2}$$

$$Q_p = 100 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1}$$

$$K_p = 1.8 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1}$$

If $Q > K$, reverse reaction favored
If $Q < K$, forward reaction favored

c. $P_{\text{NO}_2} := 1.0 \cdot \text{atm}$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4} := 2.0 \cdot \text{atm}$$

$$Q_p := \frac{P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4}}{P_{\text{NO}_2}^2}$$

$$Q_p = 2 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1}$$

$$K_p = 1.8 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1}$$

If $Q > K$, reverse reaction favored
If $Q < K$, forward reaction favored

d. $P_{\text{NO}_2} := 2.0 \cdot \text{atm}$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4} := 7.0 \cdot \text{atm}$$

$$Q_p := \frac{P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4}}{P_{\text{NO}_2}^2}$$

$$Q_p = 1.75 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1}$$

$$K_p = 1.8 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1}$$

If $Q > K$, reverse reaction favored
If $Q < K$, forward reaction favored

e. $P_{\text{NO}_2} := 0.01 \cdot \text{atm}$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4} := 1.8 \cdot 10^{-4} \cdot \text{atm}$$

$$Q_p := \frac{P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4}}{P_{\text{NO}_2}^2}$$

$$Q_p = 1.8 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1} \quad K_p = 1.8 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1}$$

If $Q > K$, reverse reaction favored
If $Q < K$, forward reaction favored

f. $P_{\text{NO}_2} := 0.5 \cdot \text{atm}$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4} := 0.5 \cdot \text{atm}$$

$$Q_p := \frac{P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4}}{P_{\text{NO}_2}^2}$$

$$Q_p = 2 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1} \quad K_p = 1.8 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1}$$

If $Q > K$, reverse reaction favored
If $Q < K$, forward reaction favored

4. Given the initial, non-equilibrium, conditions. Calculate the equilibrium pressure of NO₂ and N₂O₄.

a. Initial Conditions:

$$P_{\text{NO}_2\text{_initial}} := 0.20 \cdot \text{atm}$$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{_initial}} := 0.00 \cdot \text{atm}$$

Change

$$\Delta \text{NO}_2 = -2 \cdot X$$

From balanced chemical reaction, NO₂ goes down by 2X and N₂O₄ goes up by X.

$$\Delta \text{N}_2\text{O}_4 = X$$

Final

$$P_{\text{NO}_2\text{_final}} = P_{\text{NO}_2\text{_initial}} - 2 \cdot X$$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{_final}} = P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{_initial}} + X$$

Substitute into equilibrium expression:

$$K = \frac{P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{_final}}}{P_{\text{NO}_2\text{_final}}^2}$$

$$K = \frac{P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{_initial}} + X}{(P_{\text{NO}_2\text{_initial}} - 2 \cdot X)^2}$$

Substitute in values and solve for X:

$$1.8 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1} = \frac{X}{(0.20 \cdot \text{atm} - 2 \cdot X)^2}$$

$$X := \begin{bmatrix} .30623413613605701002 \cdot \text{atm} \\ .03265475275283187886 \cdot \text{atm} \end{bmatrix}$$

These are the two roots for X, either could be the correct answer.

Solve for the final pressures:

$$P_{\text{NO}_2_{\text{final}}} := P_{\text{NO}_2_{\text{initial}}} - 2 \cdot X \quad P_{\text{NO}_2_{\text{final}}} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.412 \\ 0.135 \end{bmatrix} \text{atm}$$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4_{\text{final}}} := P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4_{\text{initial}}} + X \quad P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4_{\text{final}}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.306 \\ 0.033 \end{bmatrix} \text{atm}$$

Only one of the data sets is possible, the first gives a negative pressure for NO₂, this is not possible, so in this problem the second root is the one that we need to use.

b. Initial Conditions:

$$P_{\text{NO}_2_{\text{initial}}} := 0.00 \text{atm}$$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4_{\text{initial}}} := 0.20 \text{atm}$$

Substitute into equilibrium expression:

$$1.8 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1} = \frac{0.20 \text{atm} + X}{(0.00 \cdot \text{atm} - 2 \cdot X)^2}$$

$$X := \begin{bmatrix} .25 \cdot \text{atm} \\ -.11111111111111111111111111111111 \cdot \text{atm} \end{bmatrix}$$

These are the two roots for X, either could be the correct answer.

Solve for the final pressures:

$$P_{\text{NO}_2_{\text{final}}} := P_{\text{NO}_2_{\text{initial}}} - 2 \cdot X \quad P_{\text{NO}_2_{\text{final}}} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.5 \\ 0.222 \end{bmatrix} \text{atm}$$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4_{\text{final}}} := P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4_{\text{initial}}} + X \quad P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4_{\text{final}}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.45 \\ 0.089 \end{bmatrix} \text{atm}$$

Only one of the data sets is possible, the first gives a negative pressure for NO₂, this is not possible, so in this problem the second root is the one that we need to use.

c. Initial Conditions:

$$P_{\text{NO}_2\text{_initial}} := 0.20 \cdot \text{atm}$$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{_initial}} := 0.20 \cdot \text{atm}$$

Substitute into equilibrium expression:

$$1.8 \cdot \text{atm}^{-1} = \frac{0.20 \text{ atm} + X}{(0.20 \cdot \text{atm} - 2 \cdot X)^2}$$

$$X := \begin{bmatrix} .38505798189250032957 \cdot \text{atm} \\ -.04616909300361144069 \cdot \text{atm} \end{bmatrix}$$

These are the two roots for X, either could be the correct answer.

Solve for the final pressures:

$$P_{\text{NO}_2\text{_final}} := P_{\text{NO}_2\text{_initial}} - 2 \cdot X$$

$$P_{\text{NO}_2\text{_final}} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.57 \\ 0.292 \end{bmatrix} \text{atm}$$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{_final}} := P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{_initial}} + X$$

$$P_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{_final}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.585 \\ 0.154 \end{bmatrix} \text{atm}$$

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