

Equilibrium



Dynamic equilibrium occurs in a closed system where there is a balance between the forward and reverse reactions occurring at the same rates. It does not mean that there is an equal amount of reactant and products.



Eg. Two children are perfectly balanced on a teeter-totter. Is this an example of dynamic equilibrium?

No b/c they are not moving.



We will be looking at many different kinds of equilibrium systems such as solubility equilibrium, phase equilibrium, chemical reaction equilibrium and acid-base equilibrium.

The Law of Chemical Equilibrium

The Law of Chemical Equilibrium states: At eqm. there is a constant ratio between the concentrations of the products and reactants in any change.

Equilibrium Law Expression: (K_{eq})

For the general chemical reaction: $aA + bB \rightleftharpoons cC + dD$

The equilibrium law expression is: $K_{eq} = \frac{[C]^c [D]^d}{[A]^a [B]^b}$

← products
← reactants

where:

[A], [B], [C], and [D] are concentrations in mol/L → @ eqm!

a, b, c, and d are coefficients from the balanced chemical equation

K_{eq} is the equilibrium constant for a given temperature (unitless)

The Meaning of the Magnitude of K

The magnitude of the equilibrium constant provides a measure of the extent to which the reaction has gone to completion when equilibrium is reached.

<p>If $K \gg 1$</p> $K_c = \frac{[P]}{[R]}$	<p>The reaction proceeds towards completion. The concentrations of <u>products</u> are much greater than the concentrations of <u>reactants</u> at equilibrium.</p>
<p>If $K \cong 1$</p> $K_c = \frac{[P]}{[R]}$	<p>The concentrations of reactants and products are approximately <u>equal</u> at equilibrium.</p>
<p>If $K \ll 1$</p> $K_c = \frac{[P]}{[R]}$	<p>Very small amounts of products formed. The concentrations of <u>reactants</u> are much greater than the concentrations of <u>products</u> at equilibrium.</p>

1. Writing Equilibrium Expressions

[NOTE: Concentrations of pure solids and liquids are not written in the equilibrium expression as they cannot change in value]

Eg. Write the equilibrium law expression for the reaction in which nitrogen gas reacts with hydrogen gas in a closed system to produce gaseous ammonia as the only product.



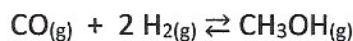
$$\therefore K_{eq} = \frac{[NH_3]_e^2}{[N_2]_e [H_2]_e^3}$$

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2. Calculating the Equilibrium Constant, K_{eq}

Example: Carbon monoxide reacts with hydrogen to form methanol according to the following equation:

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Calculate the value of the equilibrium constant at 327°C if an equilibrium mixture contains the following concentrations of reactants and products: $[\text{CO}_{(g)}] = 0.079 \text{ mol/L}$; $[\text{H}_{2(g)}] = 0.158 \text{ mol/L}$; $[\text{CH}_3\text{OH}_{(g)}] = 0.021 \text{ mol/L}$

$$K_{eq} = ?$$

$$K_{eq} = \frac{[\text{CH}_3\text{OH}]_e}{[\text{CO}]_e [\text{H}_2]_e^2}$$

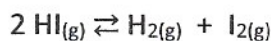
$$= \frac{0.021}{(0.079)(0.158)^2}$$

$$= 11$$

$$\therefore K_{eq} = 11$$

3. Calculating Equilibrium Concentrations

Example: At 430°C, the equilibrium constant for the following reaction is 1.84×10^{-2} .



If 0.100 mol of hydrogen iodide is placed in a 1.00 L container and allowed to reach equilibrium at this temperature, find the concentrations of each substance at equilibrium.

	2 HI _(g)	\rightleftharpoons	H _{2(g)}	+	I _{2(g)}
Initial	0.100		0		0
Change	-2x		+1x		+1x
Equilibrium	0.100 - 2x		x		x

[eqm]
so use
ICE
table!

$$\textcircled{1} C = \frac{n}{V} = \frac{0.100}{1.00 \text{ L}}$$

$$= 0.100 \text{ M}$$

$$\textcircled{3} K_{eq} = \frac{[\text{H}_2][\text{I}_2]}{[\text{HI}]^2}$$

$$1.84 \times 10^{-2} = \frac{x^2}{(0.100 - 2x)^2}$$

$$\sqrt{1.84 \times 10^{-2}} = \sqrt{\frac{x^2}{(0.100 - 2x)^2}}$$

$$\pm 0.1356 = \frac{x}{(0.100 - 2x)}$$

use "+"
so we don't
get a "-"
concentration

$$0.1356(0.100 - 2x) = x$$

$$0.01356 - 0.2712x = x$$

$$0.01356 = x + 0.2712x$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{0.01356}{1.2712} = \frac{1.2712x}{1.2712x}$$

$$x = 1.07 \times 10^{-2} \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}$$

\therefore

$$[\text{HI}]_e = 0.100 - 2x$$

$$= 0.100 - 2(1.07 \times 10^{-2})$$

$$= 7.87 \times 10^{-2} \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}$$

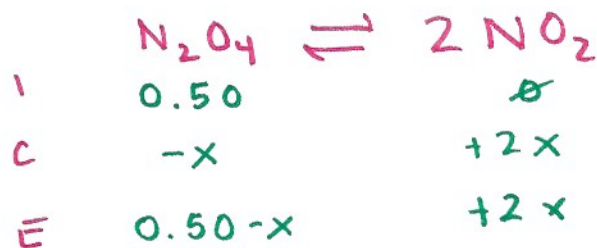
$$[\text{H}_2]_e = 1.07 \times 10^{-2} \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}$$

$$[\text{I}_2]_e = 1.07 \times 10^{-2} \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}$$

#4.



Find $[\text{N}_2\text{O}_4]_e$; $[\text{NO}_2]_e$ if $[\text{N}_2\text{O}_4]_i = 0.50 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}$



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$$K_{eq} = \frac{[\text{NO}_2]^2}{[\text{N}_2\text{O}_4]}$$

$$4.50 = \frac{(2x)^2}{0.50 - x}$$

$$4.50(0.50 - x) = 4x^2$$

$$2.25 - 4.50x = 4x^2$$

$$0 = 4x^2 + 4.50x - 2.25$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x_1 = 0.375 \quad x_2 = -1.5$$

x not valid

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore [\text{N}_2\text{O}_4]_e &= 0.50 - x \\ &= 0.50 - 0.375 \\ &= 0.13 \text{ M} \end{aligned}$$

$$[\text{NO}_2]_e = 2(x) = 2(0.375) = 0.75 \text{ M}$$

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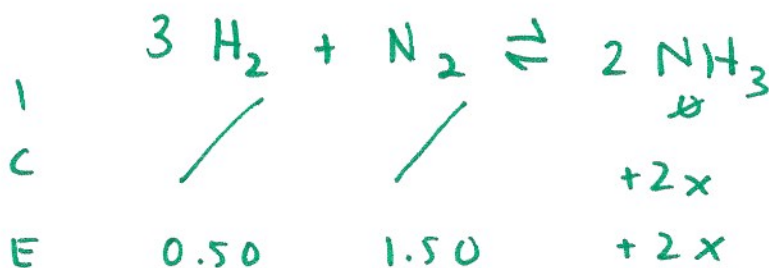
Le Chatelier's Principle

When a chemical system at equilibrium is disturbed by a change in a property, the system adjusts in a way that opposes the change.

#5.



Find $[\text{NH}_3]_e$ if $[\text{H}_2]_e = 0.50 \text{ M}$; $[\text{N}_2]_e = 1.50 \text{ M}$



$$K_{c2} = \frac{[\text{NH}_3]_e^2}{[\text{H}_2]_e^3 [\text{N}_2]_e}$$

$$8.00 \times 10^{-7} = \frac{(2x)^2}{(0.50)^3 (1.50)}$$

$$8.00 \times 10^{-7} = \frac{4x^2}{0.1875}$$

$$\frac{1.5 \times 10^{-7}}{4} = \frac{4x^2}{4}$$

$$\sqrt{3.75 \times 10^{-8}} = \sqrt{x^2}$$

$$\pm 1.936 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M} = x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore [\text{NH}_3]_e &= 2x \\ &= 2(1.936 \times 10^{-4}) \\ &= 3.87 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M} \\ &= \underline{3.9 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}} \end{aligned}$$

If we increase the concentration, the equilibrium will shift to consume the added reactant/product.

If we decrease the concentration, the equilibrium will shift to produce the removed reactant/product.

Temperature

If we increase the temperature, the equilibrium will shift to consume the added thermal energy.

Exothermic - left Endothermic - right

If we decrease the temperature, the equilibrium will shift to produce the removed thermal energy.

Exothermic - right Endothermic - left

Volume

If we increase the volume (or a decrease in pressure), the equilibrium will shift toward the side with the larger amount of gas molecules. $\uparrow V = \downarrow P$

If we decrease the volume (or an increase in pressure), the equilibrium will shift toward the side with the smaller amount of gas molecules. $\downarrow V = \uparrow P$

Variables That Do Not Affect Equilibrium

If we add a catalyst or an inert gas (noble), there will not be a shift in equilibrium. This is due to the fact that a catalyst is not used up in the reaction and an inert gas will change the pressure, but also will not react with the reactants and products.

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What will happen if:

a) $\text{SO}_{2(g)}$ is added?

shift left, to consume extra SO_2

b) the pressure is decreased by increasing the volume of the container?

shift right, to produce more gas molecules

c) the pressure is increased by adding $\text{Ne}_{(g)}$?

no shift, because Ne is inert.

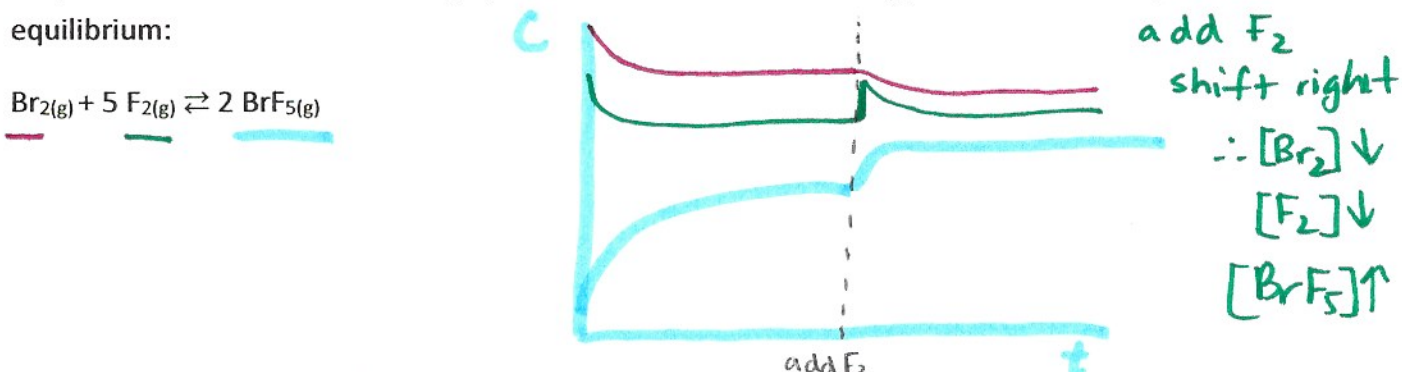
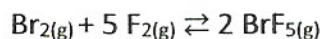
d) the temperature is decreased?

left to produce more heat.

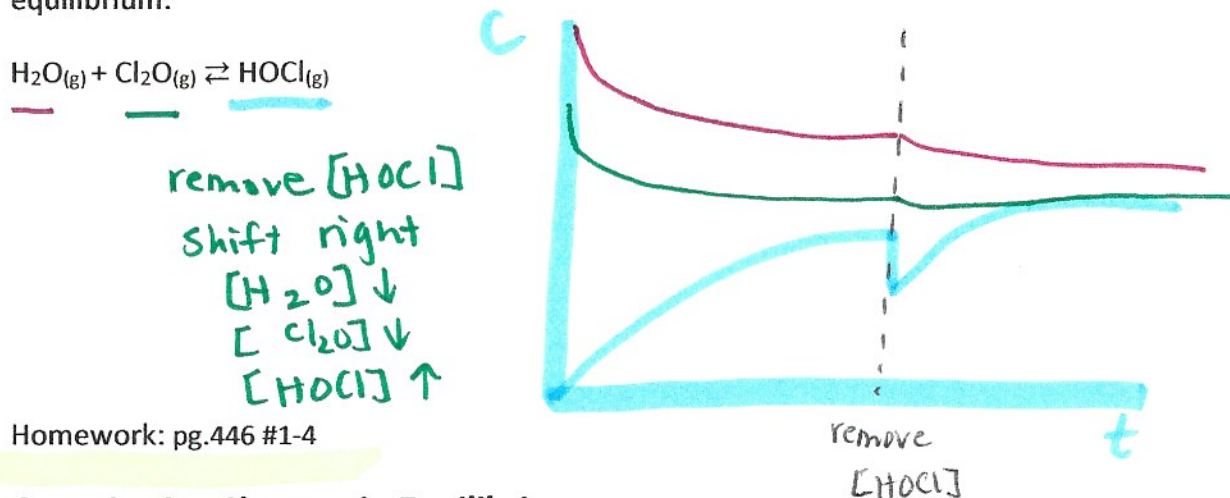
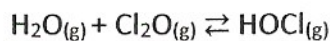
e) $\text{O}_{2(g)}$ is removed?

right to produce O_2

2. a) Draw a **concentration-time** graph for the addition of some $\text{F}_{2(g)}$ from the following equilibrium:



b) Draw a **concentration-time** graph for the removal of some $\text{HOCl}_{(g)}$ from the following equilibrium:



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Quantitative Changes in Equilibrium

Sometimes we don't know the equilibrium conditions. We must then figure out the reaction quotient, Q , to figure out which way it will shift. It is found the same way as the equilibrium constant, K , only using non-equilibrium values.

$$Q = \frac{[\text{C}]^c [\text{D}]^d}{[\text{A}]^a [\text{B}]^b}$$

$[\text{C}]_i$, $[\text{D}]_i$, $[\text{A}]_i$, $[\text{B}]_i$
initial concentrations

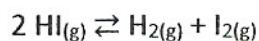
If $Q = K$, the system is cgm

$Q > K$, the system has more products present and will shift towards the reactants.

$Q < K$, the system has more reactants present and will shift towards the products.

Pg. 464 Example

The following reaction occurs in a closed container at 445°C. The equilibrium constant, K , is 0.020.



Is the system at equilibrium in each of the following cases? If not, predict the direction in which the reaction will proceed to reach equilibrium.

a) $[\text{HI}] = 0.14 \text{ mol/L}$, $[\text{H}_2] = 0.04 \text{ mol/L}$, $[\text{I}_2] = 0.01 \text{ mol/L}$

b) $[\text{HI}] = 0.20 \text{ mol/L}$, $[\text{H}_2] = 0.15 \text{ mol/L}$, $[\text{I}_2] = 0.09 \text{ mol/L}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } Q &= \frac{[\text{H}_2][\text{I}_2]}{[\text{HI}]^2} \\ &= \frac{(0.04)(0.01)}{(0.14)^2} \\ &= 0.0204 \\ Q &\approx K \therefore \text{cgm.} \end{aligned}$$

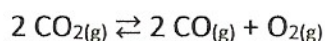
$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } Q &= \frac{[\text{H}_2][\text{I}_2]}{[\text{HI}]^2} \\ &= \frac{(0.15)(0.09)}{(0.20)^2} \\ &= 0.3375 \\ Q &> K \therefore \text{shift left} \end{aligned}$$

IN EQUILIBRIUM CALCULATIONS, IF THE RATE CONSTANT, K , IS VERY SMALL AND IF:

$[\text{SMALLEST INITIAL}]/K > \frac{500}{100}$, WE CAN IGNORE THE CHANGE IN x .

K_{eq}

very small

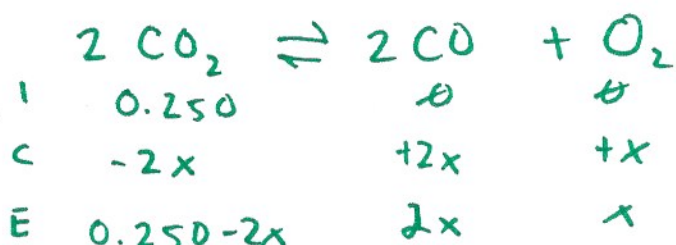
The decomposition of carbon dioxide has an equilibrium constant of 6.40×10^{-7} at 2000°C .Calculate the concentrations of all entities at equilibrium if 0.250 mol of $\text{CO}_{2(g)}$ is placed in a closed container and heated to 2000°C . assume 1L.

①
check
if @
eqm.

$$Q = \frac{[\text{CO}]^2 [\text{O}_2]}{[\text{CO}_2]^2}$$

$$= \frac{(0)^2 (0)}{(0.250)^2}$$

$$= 0 \quad \therefore Q < K \quad \text{shift right}$$



$$x \approx 0.250$$

$$K = \frac{[\text{CO}]^2 [\text{O}_2]}{[\text{CO}_2]^2}$$

$$6.40 \times 10^{-7} = \frac{(2x)^2 (x)}{(0.250)^2}$$

$$4 \times 10^{-8} = 4x^3$$

$$\sqrt[3]{1 \times 10^{-8}} = \sqrt[3]{x^3}$$

$$x = 2.15 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$$

$$x \approx \frac{0.250}{6.40 \times 10^{-7}} \gg \gg 100$$

\therefore we can ignore
the change in x
in $0.250 - 2x$

$$\therefore [\text{CO}_2]_e = 0.250 \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{CO}]_e = 2(2.15 \times 10^{-3})$$

$$= 4.30 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{O}_2]_e = 2.15 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$$

Solubility in Equilibrium

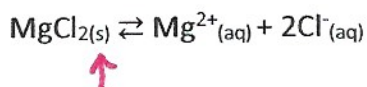
When dealing with solubility (amount of solute that can dissolve in a solvent) reactions, the equilibrium constant, K , is called the solubility product constant, K_{sp} (Some common K_{sp} values can be found on pg. 802).

unsaturated – there is less than the maximum amount of solute dissolved in the solvent.

saturated – there is the maximum amount of solute dissolved in the solvent (any more will not dissolve and will stay as solid).

supersaturated – there is more than the maximum amount of solute dissolved in the solvent (there is solid solute not dissolved in the solution).

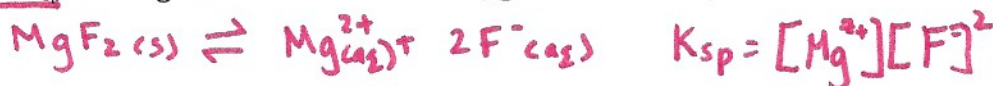
To find the solubility product constant:



$K_{sp} = [\text{Mg}^{2+}][\text{Cl}^{-}]^2$ because the MgCl_2 is a solid.

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Eg. 1 Magnesium fluoride is a hard, slightly soluble salt that is used to make spectral lenses for technical instruments. Calculate K_{sp} for magnesium fluoride at 25°C, given a solubility of 0.00172 g/100mL.



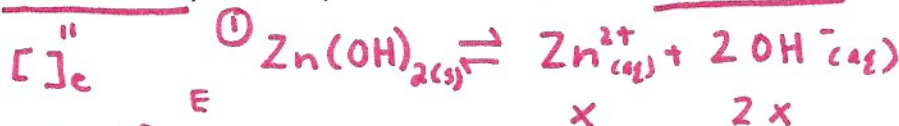
$$\textcircled{1} \frac{? \text{ mol}}{\text{L}} = \frac{0.00172 \text{ g}}{100 \text{ mL}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ mL}}{1 \text{ L}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{62.30 \text{ g}} = 2.76 \times 10^{-4} \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}} \leftarrow [\text{MgF}_2]$$

$$\textcircled{2} [\text{F}^{-}] = 2(2.76 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol/L}) = 5.52 \times 10^{-4} \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}$$

$$\textcircled{3} K_{sp} = (2.76 \times 10^{-4})(5.52 \times 10^{-4})^2$$

$$K_{sp} = 8.41 \times 10^{-11}$$

Eg. 2 Calculate the molar solubility of zinc hydroxide at 25°C, where K_{sp} is 7.7×10^{-17} .



$$\textcircled{2} K_{sp} = [\text{Zn}^{2+}][\text{OH}^{-}]^2$$

$$7.7 \times 10^{-17} = x(2x)^2 \quad \textcircled{3} \text{ since } \text{Zn}^{2+} : \text{Zn(OH)}_2 = 1 : 1$$

\therefore molar solubility is $2.7 \times 10^{-6} \text{ M}$

$$7.7 \times 10^{-17} = 4x^3$$

$$x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{7.7 \times 10^{-17}}{4}} = 2.7 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}$$

Predicting Precipitation

		Anions						
		Cl ⁻ , Br ⁻ , I ⁻	S ²⁻	OH ⁻	SO ₄ ²⁻	CO ₃ ²⁻ , PO ₄ ³⁻ , SO ₃ ²⁻	C ₂ H ₃ O ₂ ⁻	NO ₃ ⁻
Cations	high solubility (aq) ≥ 0.1 mol/L (at SATP)	most	Group 1, NH ₄ ⁺ Group 2	Group 1, NH ₄ ⁺ Sr ²⁺ , Ba ²⁺ , Tl ⁺	most	Group 1, NH ₄ ⁺	most	all
	All Group 1 compounds, including acids, and all ammonium compounds are assumed to have high solubility in water.							
	low Solubility (s) < 0.1 mol/L (at SATP)	Ag ⁺ , Pb ²⁺ , Tl ⁺ , Hg ₂ ²⁺ (Hg ⁺), Cu ⁺	most	most	Ag ⁺ , Pb ²⁺ , Ca ²⁺ , Ba ²⁺ , Sr ²⁺ , Ra ²⁺	most	Ag ⁺	none

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Remember that when we have double displacement reactions, we must use the solubility table to predict which product will form a precipitate (if any).



With equilibrium reactions, we must calculate the trial ion product, Q, to determine which way the equilibrium will shift.

If $Q < K_{sp}$, the equilibrium will shift right, towards the ions and therefore no precipitate.

$Q = K_{sp}$, we are at equilibrium, therefore there will be no shift and no precipitation! no overall change in [] will occur.

$Q > K_{sp}$, the equilibrium will shift left, towards the solid and therefore a precipitate forms! will continue until solution reaches a new equilibrium.

Eg.3 If 100 mL of 0.100 mol/L CaCl_{2(aq)} and 100 mL of 0.0400 mol/L Na₂SO_{4(aq)} are mixed at 20°C, determine whether a precipitate will form. For CaSO_{4(aq)} at 20°C, K_{sp} is 3.6×10^{-5} .



$$[\text{Ca}^{2+}] \quad C_1V_1 = C_2V_2$$

$$C_2 = \frac{C_1V_1}{V_2}$$

$$= \frac{(0.100\text{M})(0.100\text{L})}{(0.200\text{L})}$$

$$= 0.05\text{M}$$



$$[\text{SO}_4^{2-}] = C_2 = \frac{C_1V_1}{V_2} = \frac{(0.04\text{M})(0.1\text{L})}{(0.2\text{L})}$$

$$= 0.02\text{M}$$

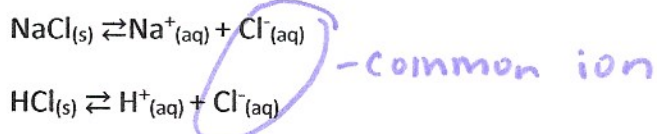
$$\textcircled{4} Q = (0.05\text{M})(0.02) = 0.001$$

$\therefore Q > K$, shift left, ppt. forms!

Common Ion Effect

What if there is a common ion already present in a solution before adding?

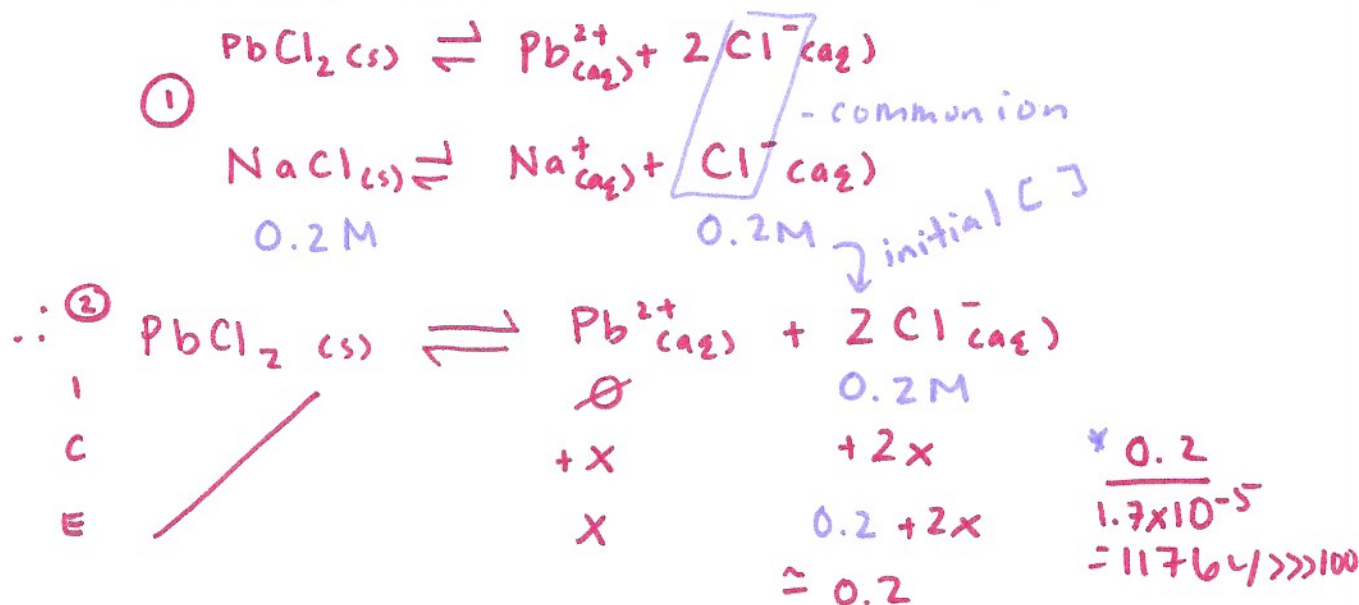
Eg. 4 HCl is added to a solution of NaCl. What would happen?



If we add HCl, we are adding more Cl^- ions into the NaCl equilibrium. Le Chatelier's Principle tells us that this would cause an equilibrium shift left to use up some of the extra Cl^- .

More ppt will be produced.

Eg. 5 What is the molar solubility of PbCl_2 in a 0.2 mol/L $\text{NaCl}_{(aq)}$ solution? $K_{sp} \text{ PbCl}_2$ is 1.7×10^{-5} .



$$K_{sp} = [\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{Cl}^-]^2$$

$$1.7 \times 10^{-5} = x(0.2)^2$$

$$x = \frac{1.7 \times 10^{-5}}{0.2}$$

$$= 4.25 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{PbCl}_2] : [\text{Pb}^{2+}] = 1:1$$

$$\therefore [\text{PbCl}_2] = 4.3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$$

Acid-Base Equilibrium

What we know previously:

Acids - H^+ as the cation

- pH from $0 < \text{pH} < 7$

Bases - OH^- as the anion

- pH from $7 < \text{pH} < 14$

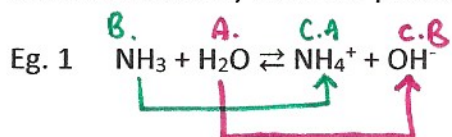
We know that not all acids have H^+ and not all bases have OH^- (eg. NH_3 is a base). Therefore we must use another method to classify an acid and a base.

Recall from gr. 11 :

↳ Bronsted-Lowry Acids and Bases * (always in pairs acid-base)

A Bronsted-Lowry acid is a proton (H) donor. (Has more hydrogens)

A Bronsted-Lowry base is a proton (H) acceptor. (Has less hydrogens)



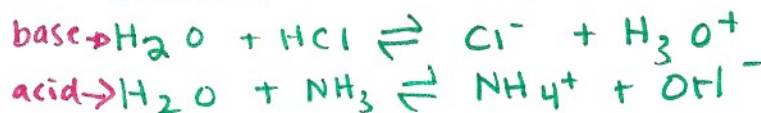
reactants have - Base !, Acid
products have - conjugate acid/base

The reactants are called acids and bases while the products are their conjugate acid and base pairs.

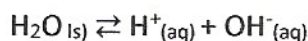
A strong acid/base will have a v. weak conjugate base/acid pair, and a very weak acid/base will have a strong conjugate base/acid pair.

~~A weak acid/base will have a _____ conjugate base/acid pair, and a weak acid/base will have a _____ conjugate base/acid pair.~~

If something can both accept and donate protons, it is called amphoteric (or amphiprotic).
For example, H_2O .



In water, the ion product constant for water, $K_w = 1.0 \times 10^{-14}$ because $[\text{H}^+] = [\text{OH}^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mol/L}$.



$$K_w = [\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-]$$

$$= (1.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mol/L})(1.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mol/L})$$

$$= 1.0 \times 10^{-14} \text{ mol/L}$$

To find the acidity of a solution, we use the equation for pH:

$$\text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}^+]$$

We can find the $[\text{H}^+]$ by using the equation:

$$[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-\text{pH}}$$

you may have to use more than one of these equations in one question!

If we do not know the $[\text{H}^+]$ but we know the $[\text{OH}^-]$, we can determine the pOH:

$$\text{pOH} = -\log[\text{OH}^-]$$

$$0 < \text{pOH} < 7 \text{ - base}$$

$$7 < \text{pOH} < 14 \text{ - acid}$$

We can find the $[\text{OH}^-]$ by using the equation:

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-\text{pOH}}$$

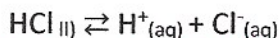
Then we can determine the pH by using the equation:

$$\text{pH} + \text{pOH} = 14.00$$

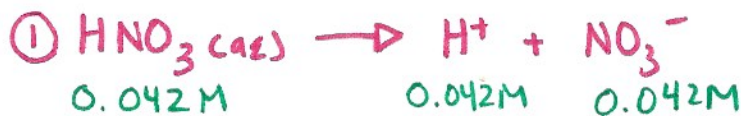
Strong Acids and Bases

Strong acids and bases will completely dissociate to provide H^+ and OH^- .

⇒ no equilibrium!!!



Eg. 2 Determine the pH, pOH, $[\text{OH}^-]$ of a 0.042 mol/L solution of HNO_3 (strong acid).



$$\textcircled{2} \text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}^+]$$

$$= -\log(0.042)$$

$$= 1.38$$

$$\textcircled{4} [\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-\text{pOH}}$$

$$= 10^{-12.62}$$

$$= 2.5 \times 10^{-13} \text{ M}$$

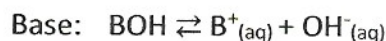
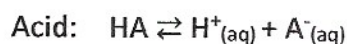
$$\textcircled{3} \text{pH} + \text{pOH} = 14$$

$$\text{pOH} = 14 - 1.38$$

$$= 12.62$$

Weak Acids and Bases

Weak acids and bases do not completely dissociate therefore we do not know how much $[H^+]$ or $[OH^-]$ dissociates directly. We must use acid and base ionization constants, K_a and K_b , to help us determine this using equilibrium calculations (These values can be found on pg. 803).



And $K_a \times K_b = K_w$

Eg. 3 What is the value of the base ionization constant, K_b , for the acetate ion, $C_2H_3O_2^-_{(aq)}$? K_a of $HC_2H_3O_2$ (weak acid) is 1.8×10^{-5} .

weak base

acid - K_a
base - K_b

$$K_b = \frac{K_w}{K_a}$$

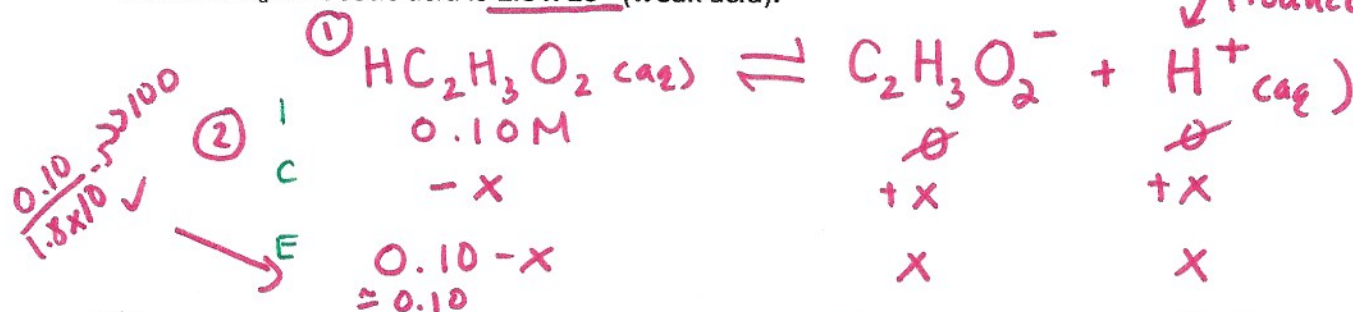
$$= \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-14}}{1.8 \times 10^{-5}}$$

$$= 5.6 \times 10^{-10}$$

Eg. 4 Calculate the hydrogen ion concentration and the pH of a 0.10 mol/L acetic acid ($HC_2H_3O_2$) solution. K_a for acetic acid is 1.8×10^{-5} (weak acid).

↓

Produces H^+



② $K_a = \frac{[H^+][C_2H_3O_2^-]}{[HC_2H_3O_2]}$

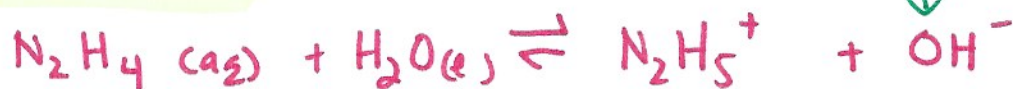
$[H^+] = 1.3 \times 10^{-3} M$

$1.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{x^2}{0.10}$

$x = \sqrt{(1.8 \times 10^{-5})(0.10)}$
 $= 1.34 \times 10^{-3} M$

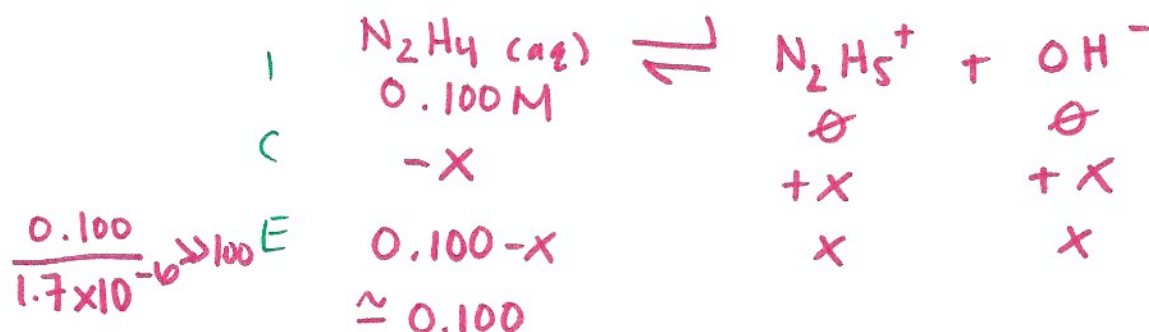
③ $pH = -\log[H^+]$
 $= -\log(1.34 \times 10^{-3})$
 $= 2.87$

Eg. 5 Calculate the pH of a 0.100 mol/L aqueous solution of hydrazine ($\text{N}_2\text{H}_4(\text{aq})$, a weak base).
 The K_b for hydrazine is 1.7×10^{-6} .



↓ produces

↳ turns into OH^- , so the extra H goes to the other molecule



$$K_b = \frac{[\text{OH}^-][\text{N}_2\text{H}_5^+]}{[\text{N}_2\text{H}_4]}$$

$$1.7 \times 10^{-6} = \frac{x^2}{0.100}$$

$$x = \sqrt{(1.7 \times 10^{-6})(0.100)}$$

$$x = 4.12 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 4.12 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$$

$$\therefore \text{pOH} = -\log(4.12 \times 10^{-4}) = 3.385$$

$$\text{pH} = 14.00 - 3.385 = 10.615$$

Homework: pg.492 #1-2, pg.493 #1, pg.494 #1-10, pg.502 #1-2, pg.505 #1-3, pg.508 #1-4, pg.509 #1-10, pg.513 #1-2, pg.520 #1-2, pg.521 #1-2, pg.524 #1-2, pg.525 #1-10, pg.527 #1-2, pg.529 #1-3, pg.530 #1-10, pg.536 #1-2, pg.538 #1-2, pg.539 #1-6

Titration

A titration is a precise addition of a solution to another solution. We use this technique when neutralizing an acid with a base or vice versa. In a titration, there are two main points that must be observed and measured:

Equivalence point – the amount of reactant added is the same as the amount consumed by the sample. Or the number of moles of acid equals the number of moles of base.

Endpoint – the point where a sharp change occurs. In neutralizations, this is usually a colour change by the indicator. This change occurs so quickly that the endpoint is usually an approximation as indicators have a pH range when they show a change, not a precise value.

We will be looking at two different titration situations: Strong-Strong and ~~Strong-Weak~~.

Titration of a Strong Acid with a Strong Base

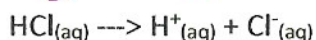
In a strong acid and strong base titration, we know that both the acid and base will completely dissociate. This makes the equilibrium calculations straightforward.

Let's look at a titration of 20.00 mL of a 0.300 mol/L HCl_(aq) solution with a 0.300 mol/L NaOH_(aq) solution. We will calculate the pH of the system at 4 different stages. ***

a) Before Titration – 0 mL of NaOH

Before titration, there is only HCl present in the solution. Therefore to find the pH of the solution:

← strong acid!



$$[\text{H}^+] = [\text{HCl}]$$

$$= 0.300 \text{ M because } 1:1$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{pH} &= -\log [\text{H}^+] \\ &= -\log (0.300) \\ &= 0.500\end{aligned}$$

This makes sense as there is only a strong acid solution present.





b) Before Equivalence Point – 10.00 mL NaOH

Before equivalence point, we have some HCl that has reacted with NaOH and some HCl that is still unreacted. Because they have the same concentrations, let's say we add 10.00 mL of NaOH.

NaOH

$$\begin{aligned} n &= CV \\ &= (0.300\text{M})(0.0100\text{L}) \\ &= 3 \times 10^{-3}\text{mol} \\ &= 3\text{mmol} \end{aligned}$$

HCl

$$\begin{aligned} n &= CV \\ &= (0.300\text{M})(0.020\text{L}) \\ &= 6 \times 10^{-3}\text{mol} \leftarrow \text{you can keep it in moles.} \\ &= 6\text{mmol} \end{aligned}$$

So 3mmol of NaOH is available to react with the 6mmol HCl in the solution.

Therefore looking at the mole to mole ratios, there would be 3mmol of OH^- and 6mmol of H^+ present.

So, if 3mmol of OH^- and 6mmol of H^+ , there would be 3mmol of H^+ remaining.

So, $[\text{H}^+] = n/V$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{3 \times 10^{-3}\text{mol}}{0.03\text{L}} \rightarrow V_T = 20\text{mL HCl} + 20\text{mL of NaOH} \\ &= 0.100\text{M} \end{aligned}$$

And, $\text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}^+]$

$$\begin{aligned} &= -\log(0.100) \\ &= 1.000 \end{aligned}$$

This makes sense as we have added some base to make the acidic solution more basic.

c) At Equivalence Point – 20.00 mL NaOH (neutralization)

At equivalence point, we must have an equal number of moles of HCl reacting with NaOH.

So we would need to add 20.00 mL of NaOH to produce the same 6.00 mmol of NaOH to completely react with the 6.00 mmol of HCl. Therefore all that is left in the solution would be water.

So, $\text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}^+]$

$$\begin{aligned} &= -\log(1 \times 10^{-7}\text{M}) \\ &= 7.00 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore in any strong acid-strong base titration, the pH will always be 7 at the equivalence point. !!!

d) After the Equivalence Point – 30.00 mL of NaOH

Once we are past the equivalence point, there is only NaOH present and no HCl present.

NaOH

$$\begin{aligned} n &= C \times V \\ &= (0.300 \text{ M})(0.03 \text{ L}) \\ &= 9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol} \\ &= 9 \text{ mmol} \end{aligned}$$

So we know that 6.00 mmol of NaOH already reacted with HCl so there is only 3 mmol of NaOH left unreacted.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } [\text{OH}^-] &= n/V_T \\ &= \frac{3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}}{0.05 \text{ L}} \\ &= 0.06 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}} \end{aligned}$$

And, $\text{pOH} = -\log[\text{OH}^-]$

$$\begin{aligned} &= -\log(0.06) \\ &= 1.22 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pH} &= 14.00 - \text{pOH} \\ &= 14.00 - 1.22 = 12.80 \end{aligned}$$

This makes sense as we only have base left in the solution.

Indicators

$$pK_a = -\log K_a$$

In order to determine an appropriate indicator, we must choose one that has a pK_a value that falls within the pH range of the titration solution at equivalence point. Some common indicator values can be found on pg. 609 of your textbook.

So if we look at our previous examples:

Titration of 20.00 mL of a 0.300 mol/L $HCl_{(aq)}$ solution with a 0.300 mol/L $NaOH_{(aq)}$ solution gave us a pH of 7 at equivalence point. An appropriate indicator could be bromothymol blue.

Titration of 20.00 mL of a 0.300 mol/L $HC_2H_3O_{2(aq)}$ solution with a 0.300 mol/L $NaOH_{(aq)}$ solution gave us a pH of 8.97 at equivalence point. An appropriate indicator could be thymol blue.

Buffers

Buffers are a mixture of a weak conjugate acid-base solution. The importance of a buffer is that it has the unique ability to maintain its pH with little to no change even with the addition of a strong acid or base.

Homework: pg. 547 #1,2, ~~pg. 554 #1-2~~, ~~pg. 557 #1-8~~, pg. 565 #1-3, pg. 567 #1-8, pg. 575 #1-21, pg. 576 #1-80

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Read section
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Review Questions