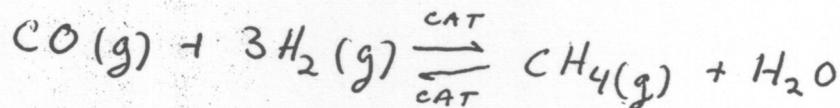


## CHAPTER 14 CHEMICAL EQUILIBRIUM

MANY REACTIONS DO NOT COMPLETELY GO TO PRODUCTS  
INSTEAD, PRODUCTS RE-RERACT TO FORM REACTANTS  
THESE REACTIONS ARE REVERSIBLE

FOR EXAMPLE



THESE ARE IMPORTANT REACTIONS IN COAL GASIFICATION

CHEMICAL EQUILIBRIUM (DYNAMIC EQUILIBRIUM) IS A STATE  
REACHED BY A REACTION MIXTURE WHEN THE RATES OF FORWARD  
AND REVERSE REACTIONS ARE EQUAL

INITIALLY, THE FORWARD REACTION WILL BE FAST AND THE  
REVERSE REACTION SLOW.

AFTER SOME TIME, EQUILIBRIUM WILL BE REACHED

STOICHIOMETRY CAN BE APPLIED TO THE EQUILIBRIUM MIXTURE

EX. INITIALLY, 1 MOLE OF CO AND 3 MOLES H<sub>2</sub> ARE  
PLACED IN A REACTION VESSEL. AT EQUILIBRIUM, 0.387  
MOLES H<sub>2</sub>O ARE PRESENT. WHAT IS THE MOLAR  
COMPOSITION OF THE EQUILIBRIUM MIXTURE?

AMOUNT(MOLES)	CO	+ 3H <sub>2</sub>	$\rightleftharpoons$	CH <sub>4</sub>	+ H <sub>2</sub> O
START	1.000	3.000		0	0
CHANGE	- .387			+ 0.387	+ 0.387
EQUILIBRIUM	0.613	1.811		0.387	+ 0.387

## THE EQUILIBRIUM CONSTANT

THE AMOUNT OF EACH SUBSTANCE PRESENT IN THE EQUILIBRIUM DEPENDS ON THE INITIAL AMOUNT OF REACTANTS.

THE RELATIVE AMOUNTS OF EACH SUBSTANCE PRESENT ARE RELATED BY THE EQUILIBRIUM CONSTANT.

IN GENERAL:



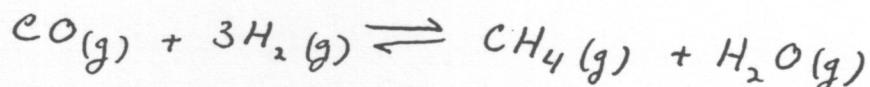
where: A, B, C and D are reactants and products

and: a, b, c, d are coefficients in the balanced reaction

THE EQUILIBRIUM CONSTANT  $K_c$  IS AN EXPRESSION OBTAINED BY MULTIPLYING THE CONCENTRATIONS OF PRODUCTS, DIVIDING BY THE CONCENTRATIONS OF REACTANTS, AND RAISING EACH TERM TO A POWER EQUAL TO THE COEFFICIENT IN THE CHEMICAL EQUATION

$$K_c = \frac{[C][D]}{[A]^a[B]^b}$$

THE LAW OF MASS ACTION STATES THAT THE VALUES OF THE EQUILIBRIUM-CONSTANT EXPRESSION  $K_c$  ARE CONSTANT FOR A PARTICULAR REACTION AT A GIVEN TEMPERATURE, WHATEVER EQUILIBRIUM CONCENTRATIONS ARE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE COAL GASIFICATION REACTION



$$K_c = \frac{[CH_4][H_2O]}{[CO][H_2]^3}$$

EXAMPLES-

WRITE EQUILIBRIUM CONSTANT EXPRESSION



$$K_c =$$

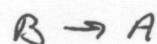
WRITE BALANCED EQUATION

$$K_c = \frac{[\text{NH}_3]^4 [\text{O}_2]^5}{[\text{NO}]^4 [\text{H}_2\text{O}]^6}$$

THE KINETICS ARGUMENT FOR EQUILIBRIUM CONSTANTS



$$\text{rate} = k_f [A] \quad k_f = K_{\text{FORWARDED}}$$



$$\text{rate} = k_r [B] \quad k_r = K_{\text{REVERSE}}$$

$$\text{AT EQUILIBRIUM} \quad K_f = K_r$$

$$K_f [A] = K_r [B] \quad \text{DIVIDE BY } K_r \text{ AND } [A]$$

$$\frac{k_f}{k_r} = \frac{[B]}{[A]} = K_c$$

$$K_c = \frac{k_f}{k_r}$$

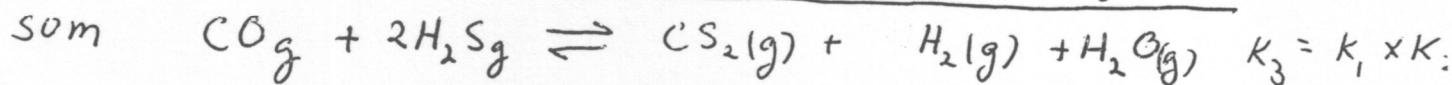
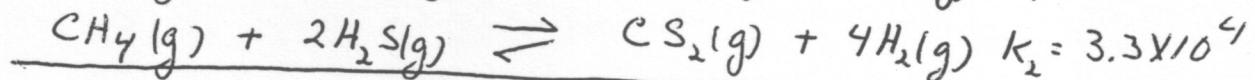
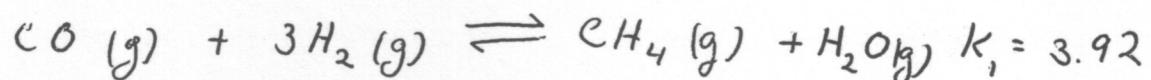
THE EQUILIBRIUM CONSTANT IS THE RATIO OF RATE CONSTANTS

## EQUILIBRIUM CONSTANTS FOR THE SUM OF REACTIONS

DEFINITION:

IF A GIVEN CHEMICAL EQUATION CAN BE OBTAINED BY TAKING THE SUM OF OTHER EQUATIONS, THE EQUILIBRIUM CONSTANT FOR THE GIVEN EQUATION EQUALS THE PRODUCT OF THE EQUILIBRIUM CONSTANTS OF THE OTHER EQUATIONS

EXAMPLE:



$$k_1 = \frac{[CH_4][H_2O]}{[CO][H_2]^3}$$

$$k_2 = \frac{[CS_2][H_2]^4}{[CH_4][H_2S]^2}$$

$$k_1 \times k_2 = \frac{[CH_4][H_2O]}{[CO][H_2]^3} \times \frac{[CS_2][H_2]^4}{[CH_4][H_2S]^2}$$

$$k_1 \times k_2 = \frac{[H_2O][CS_2][H_2]}{[CO][H_2S]^2}$$

THIS IS THE EQUILIBRIUM EXPRESSION FOR THE OVERALL REACTION

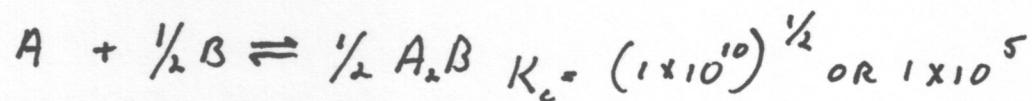
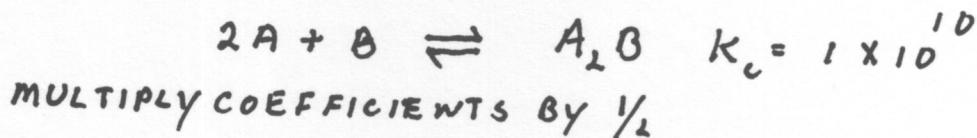
## MODIFYING $K_c$

- 1) IF A REACTION IS REVERSED,  $K_c$  FOR THE REVERSE REACTION IS THE INVERSE OF  $K_c$  FOR THE FORWARD REACTION

$$K_F = \frac{1}{K_R} \quad \text{OR} \quad K_R = \frac{1}{K_F}$$

- 2) IF THE COEFFICIENTS OF A CHEMICAL EQUATION ARE MULTIPLIED BY A FACTOR  $N$ , OBTAIN THE NEW  $K_c$  BY RAISING THE ORIGINAL  $K_c$  TO THE POWER  $N$

EXAMPLE



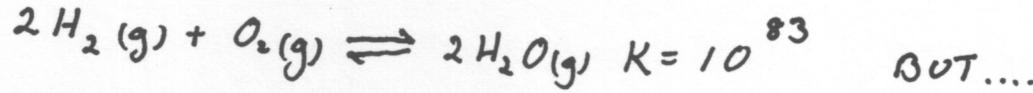
- 3)  $K_p$  IS RELATED TO  $K_c$  BY:

$$K_p = K_c (RT)^{\Delta n}$$

WHERE  $\Delta n$  = THE CHANGE IN THE NUMBER OF MOLES OF GAS

- 4)  $K_c$  FOR THE SUM OF REACTIONS IS EQUAL TO THE PRODUCT OF EACH REACTIONS  $K_c$

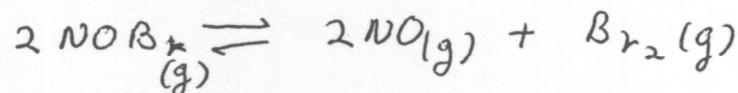
- 5) REMEMBER THAT THE RATE OF A REACTION IS NOT ALWAYS RELATED TO  $K_c$



THE MIXTURE OF GASES REACTS QUITE SLOWLY (KINETIC CONTROL) UNLESS A SPARK IS APPLIED AND AN EXPLOSION RESULTS

(THERMODYNAMIC CONTROL)

EXAMPLE OF CALCULATING  $K_c$  FROM EQUILIBRIUM CONCENTRATIONS  
FOR THE REACTION:



IF 2.00 moles NOBr<sub>2</sub> IN A 1L FLASK 9.4% OF NOBr<sub>2</sub>  
DISSOCIATES INTO PRODUCTS. CALCULATE  $K_c$

	NO Br <sub>2</sub>	NO	Br <sub>2</sub>	
INITIAL	2.00	0	0	.094 x 2.00 = 0.188
CHANGE	-0.188	+0.188	+0.094	
FINAL	1.812	0.188	0.094	

$$K_c = \frac{[\text{NO}]^2 [\text{Br}_2]}{[\text{NOBr}_2]^2}$$

$$K_c = \frac{0.188^2 \times 0.094}{1.812^2}$$

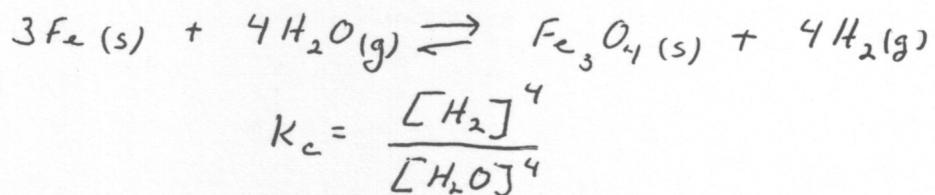
$$K_c = \frac{0.00332}{3.283} = 0.00101$$

$$K_c = 1.01 \times 10^{-3}$$

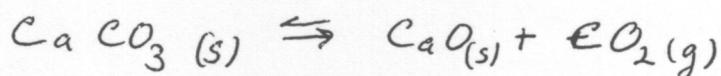
IF REACTANTS AND PRODUCTS EXIST IN MORE THAN 1 PHASE,  
(IF THERE IS A PURE SOLID OR LIQUID PRESENT) IN A GAS PHASE  
REACTION, THE REACTION IS CALLED HETEROGENEOUS.

THE "CONCENTRATION" OF A PURE SOLID OR LIQUID IS DEFINED  
AS EQUAL TO ONE. THEREFORE, THESE TERMS ARE  OMITTED  
FROM THE EQUILIBRIUM CONSTANT EXPRESSION

EXAMPLE:



THIS IS BECAUSE THE "CONCENTRATION" OF THE SOLIDS  
REMAINS CONSTANT



$$K_c =$$

USING THE EQUILIBRIUM CONSTANT

SOME EASY AND USEFUL APPLICATIONS OF  $K_c$

1) QUALITATIVE USE

SIMPLY LOOKING AT THE MAGNITUDE OF  $K_c$

TELLS IF PRODUCTS OR REACTANTS ARE FAVORED

2) PREDICTING THE DIRECTION NON-EQUILIBRIUM  
MIXTURES WILL TAKE

3) CALCULATING EQUILIBRIUM CONCENTRATIONS

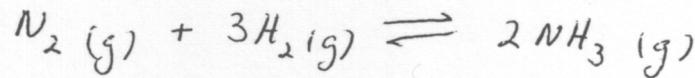
## QUALITATIVE USE OF $K_c$

IF  $K_c$  IS LARGE, PRODUCTS ARE FAVORED

IF  $K_c$  IS SMALL, REACTANTS ARE FAVORED

IF  $K_c$  IS NEAR 1, NEITHER ARE FAVORED

EXAMPLE:  $K_c$  IS LARGE



$$\text{AT } 25^\circ\text{C} \quad K_c = 4.1 \times 10^3$$

$$K_c = \frac{[NH_3]^2}{[N_2][H_2]^3}$$

← NUMERATOR IS  $4.1 \times 10^8$  LARGER THAN  
 ← DENOMINATOR

$$\text{IF } [N_2] = 0.01 \text{ M}$$

$$[H_2] = 0.01 \text{ M}$$

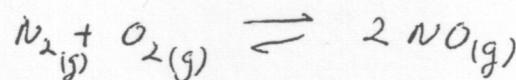
SUBSTITUTE INTO EQUILIBRIUM EXPRESSION

$$4.1 \times 10^8 = \frac{x^2}{0.01 \times 0.01^3} = \frac{x^2}{1 \times 10^{-8}}$$

$$[NH_3]^2 = 4.1$$

$$[NH_3] = 2 \text{ M} , 200 \text{ TIMES GREATER THAN } 0.01 \text{ M}$$

EXAMPLE:  $K_c$  IS SMALL



$$\text{AT } 25^\circ\text{C} \quad K_c = 4.6 \times 10^{-31}$$

$$\text{IF } [N_2] = 1 \text{ M}$$

$$[O_2] = 1 \text{ M}$$

DO PROBLEM

SUBSTITUTE INTO EQUILIBRIUM EXPRESSION

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$$4.6 \times 10^{-31} = \frac{[NO]^2}{1 \times 1}$$

$$[NO]^2 = 4.6 \times 10^{-31} \quad [NO] = 6.8 \times 10^{-16}$$