

# Chapter 16

## Principles of Reactivity: Chemical Equilibria

**OWL Homework Due: 2/26/2008 at 11:50 pm**

**OWL Quiz Due: 3/2/2008 at 11:50 p.m.**

# *Chemical Equilibrium*

*Old Chemists Never Die; they just reach*  
***EQUILIBRIUM!***

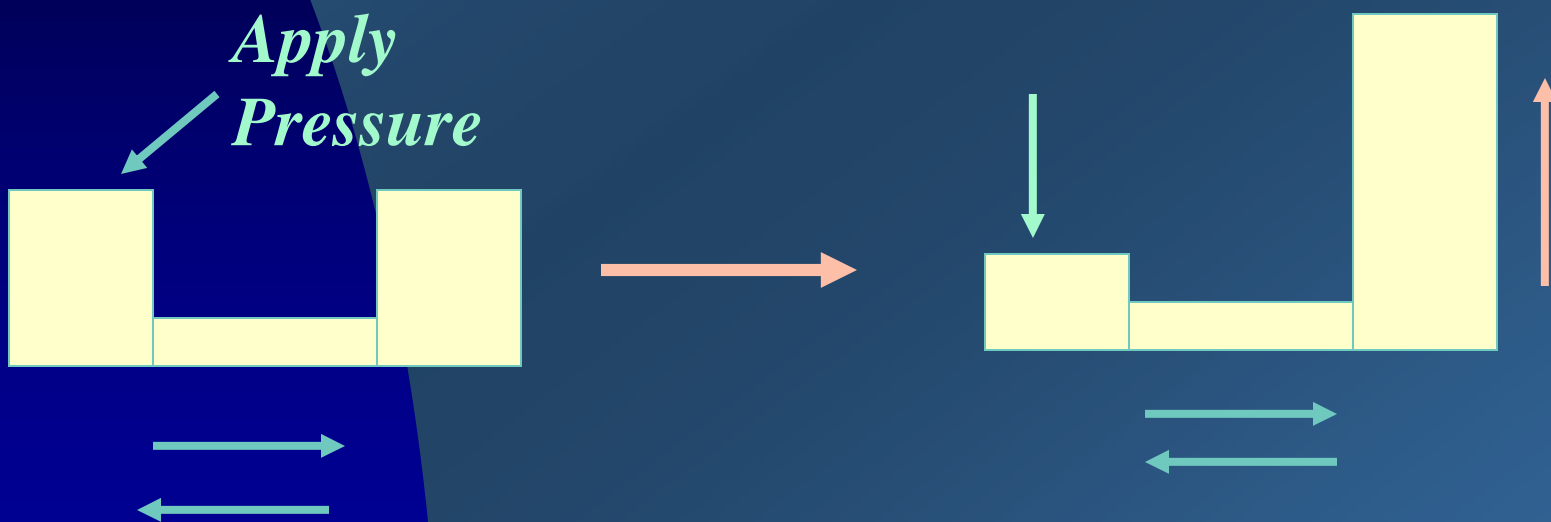
All physical and chemical changes TEND toward a state of equilibrium.



# Dynamic Equilibrium

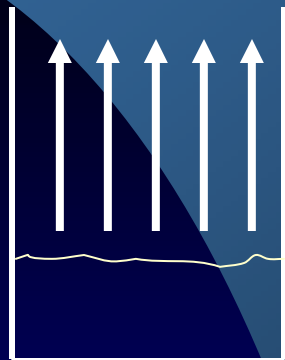
The net result of a dynamic equilibrium is that no change in the system is evident.

**Le Chatelier's Principle** - *If a change is made in a system at equilibrium, the equilibrium will shift in such a way so as to reduce the effect of the change.*



Pressure applied to the system at equilibrium caused it to shift until a new equilibrium was established.

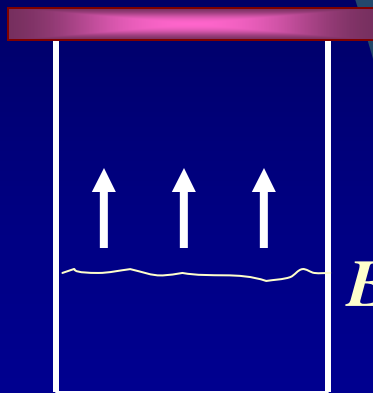
# Dynamic Equilibrium



Evaporation

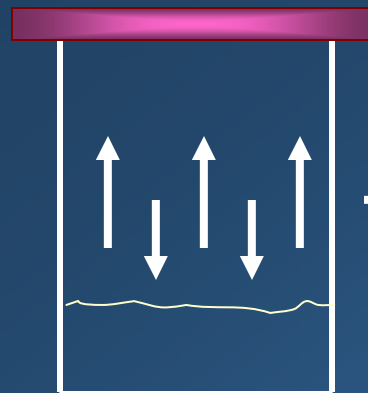


Open System  
(No Equilibrium)

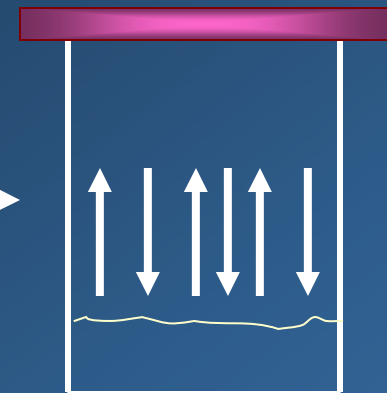


Evaporation

Liquid  $\rightarrow$  Gas  
(No Equilibrium)



Liquid  $\rightleftharpoons$  Gas  
(No Equilibrium)

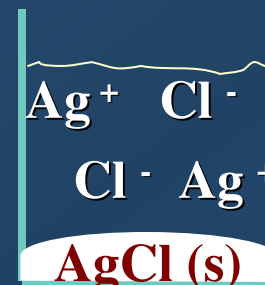


Liquid  $\rightleftharpoons$  Gas  
(Equilibrium)

# Dynamic Equilibrium



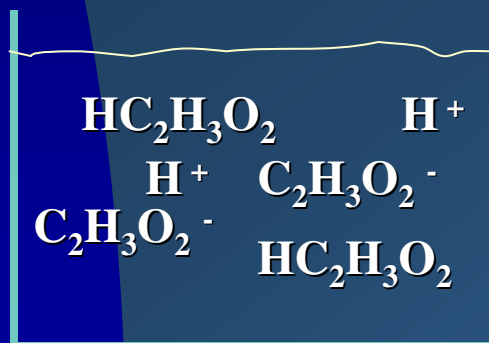
Chemical  
Equilibrium



*Rate of Precipitation = Rate of Dissolving*



*Rate of dissociation (ionization) = Rate of Association*

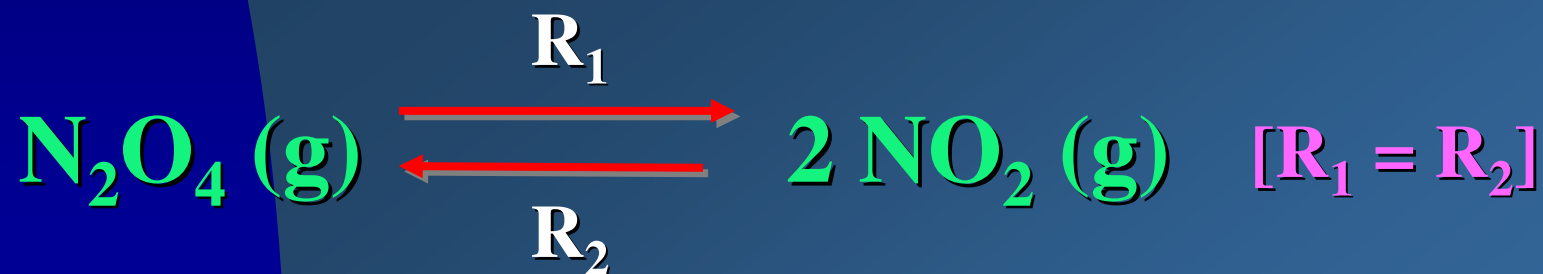


# CHEM 1108 Lab Experiment



*You can actually “see” the equilibrium shift!*

# Reversible Reactions



**Homogeneous Equilibrium**

# Reversible Reactions

	$[\text{N}_2\text{O}_4]_i$	$[\text{NO}_2]_i$	$[\text{N}_2\text{O}_4]_{eq}$	$[\text{NO}_2]_{eq}$
Exp. 1	0.0250 M	0.0 M	0.0202 M	0.009 66 M
Exp. 2	0.0150 M	0.0125 M	0.0146 M	0.008 23 M
Exp. 3	0.0 M	0.0250 M	0.0923 M	0.006 54 M



*Reaction Quotient*

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

*Equilibrium Constant*

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

# Equilibrium Constants

**Equilibrium Constant** - When the rates of the forward and reverse reactions are equal, the system is “at equilibrium” and the reaction **quotient = equilibrium constant**.

Experiment 1  $K_C = [0.009\ 66]^2/[0.0202] = 0.004\ 62\ \text{M}$

Experiment 2  $K_C = [0.008\ 23]^2/[0.0146] = 0.004\ 64\ \text{M}$

Experiment 3  $K_C = [0.006\ 54]^2/[0.009\ 23] = 0.004\ 63\ \text{M}$



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

# Equilibrium Constants



$$Q_C = \frac{[\text{HI}]^2}{[\text{H}_2][\text{I}_2]}$$

$$K_C = \frac{[\text{HI}]_{\text{eq}}^2}{[\text{H}_2]_{\text{eq}}[\text{I}_2]_{\text{eq}}}$$

<u>Exp.</u>	<u><math>[\text{H}_2]_{\text{eq}}</math></u>	<u><math>[\text{I}_2]_{\text{eq}}</math></u>	<u><math>[\text{HI}]_{\text{eq}}</math></u>	<u><math>K_C</math></u>
1	0.00291	0.00171	0.01648	54.58
2	0.00356	0.00125	0.01559	54.62
3	0.00225	0.00234	0.01685	53.93
4	0.00183	0.00313	0.01767	54.51
5	0.00114	0.00114	0.00841	54.42
6	0.00050	0.00050	0.00366	<u>53.58</u>

Median  $K_C = 54.47$

# Equilibrium Constants



$$Q_C = \frac{[\text{NH}_3]^4 [\text{O}_2]^3}{[\text{N}_2]^2 [\text{H}_2\text{O}]^6}$$

$$K_C = \frac{[\text{NH}_3]_{\text{eq}}^4 [\text{O}_2]_{\text{eq}}^3}{[\text{N}_2]_{\text{eq}}^2 [\text{H}_2\text{O}]_{\text{eq}}^6}$$

# Reaction Quotient vs. Equilibrium Constant

$$Q_c < K_c$$

$$Q_c = K_c$$

$$Q_c > K_c$$

# Reaction Quotient vs. Equilibrium Constant

**Class Problem 16.1** - *The concentration of  $N_2O_4$  = concentration of  $NO_2$  = 0.0125 M in a reaction vessel. The equilibrium constant for  $N_2O_4 (g) = 2 NO_2 (g)$  is 0.004 63. Calculate  $Q_C$  and state which direction the reaction will go.*

**Class Problem 16.2** - *If  $[O_2] = 0.21 M$  and  $[O_3] = 6.0 \times 10^{-8} M$ , what is the value of the  $K_C$  for the equilibrium,  $2 O_3 (g) = 3 O_2 (g)$ ?*

# Chemical Equilibrium

**Heterogeneous Reaction** - *A reaction that takes place in more than one phase or state. These reactions occur at the interface between phases - on the surface of liquids and solids.*

*At a constant temperature, the concentration of a solid or liquid component remains constant in a heterogeneous equilibrium. **WHY?***

Since the concentration is constant, it can be considered a part of the equilibrium constant and, thus, does NOT appear in the  $K_C$  expression.



$$K_C = \frac{[\text{CO}]^2}{[\text{C}][\text{CO}_2]}$$

$$K_{\text{eq}} = \frac{[\text{CO}]^2}{[\text{CO}_2]}$$



# Chemical Equilibrium

**Class Problem 16.3** - *A mixture that was initially 0.005 00 M in  $H_2$  (g) and 0.012 50 M in  $I_2$  (g), and contained no HI (g), was heated at 425.4°C until equilibrium was reached. The resulting equilibrium concentration of  $I_2$  (g) was found to be 0.007 72 M. What is the value of the  $K_C$  for this equilibrium at 425.4°C?*

Construct an “**ICE**” Table:

	<b>425.4°C</b>		
Equation:	$H_2$ (g)	+ $I_2$ (g)	$\rightarrow$ 2 HI (g)
Initial ( <b>I</b> ) conc., M	0.005 00	0.012 50	0.000 00
Change ( <b>C</b> ) in conc., M	- 0.004 78	- 0.004 78	+ 0.009 56
Equil. ( <b>E</b> ) conc., M	- 0.000 22	0.007 72	+ 0.009 56

# Chemical Equilibrium

Calculate  $K_C$ :

$$K_C = \frac{[\text{HI}]^2}{[\text{H}_2][\text{I}_2]} = \frac{(0.009\ 56)^2}{(0.000\ 22)(0.007\ 72)} = 54$$

*Class Problem 17.4 - When 1.000 mol each of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (g) and  $\text{CO}$  (g) are introduced into an empty 1.000 L vessel at 959 K and allowed to come to equilibrium, the equilibrium mixture contains 0.422 mol  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (g). Find  $K_C$  for*



Construct an “ICE” Table.....→

# Chemical Equilibrium

959°C

Equation:

<b>I</b>	H <sub>2</sub> O (g)	+	CO (g)	→	H <sub>2</sub> (g)	+	CO <sub>2</sub> (g)
	1.000		1.000		0.000		0.000
<b>C</b>	- 0.578		- 0.578		+ 0.578		+ 0.578
<b>E</b>	0.422		0.422		0.578		0.578

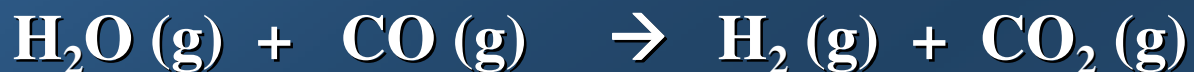
$$K_c = \frac{[\text{H}_2][\text{CO}_2]}{[\text{H}_2\text{O}][\text{CO}]} = \frac{(0.578)^2}{(0.422)^2} = 1.88$$

**Class Problem 16.4** - *Suppose that  $[\text{H}_2\text{O}]_i = 2.00 \text{ M}$  and  $[\text{CO}]_i = 4.00 \text{ M}$ ?  
What are the equilibrium concentrations of the four species?*

# Chemical Equilibrium

959°C

Equation:



I  
2.00                      4.00                      0.00                      0.00

C  
- x                      - x                      + x                      + x

E  
2.00 - x                      4.00 - x                      x                      x

$$K_c = \frac{[\text{H}_2][\text{CO}_2]}{[\text{H}_2\text{O}][\text{CO}]} = 1.88 = \frac{x^2}{(2.00-x)(4.00-x)}$$

*How are your algebra skills now??*

$$x^2 = 1.88 (2.00 - x)(4.00 - x) = 1.88 (8.00 - 6x + x^2)$$

$$x^2 = 15.0 - 11.3 x + 1.88 x^2$$

$$0 = 0.88x^2 - 11.3x + 15.0 \quad (ax^2 + bx + c)$$

*Dust off the old Quadratic Formula:*

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

<http://www.freemathhelp.com/algebra-help.html>

$$\frac{-(-11.3) \pm [(-11.3)^2 - 4(0.88)(15.0)]^{1/2}}{2(0.88)}$$

= **11 and 1.5 !** Which is *RIGHT*?

# Chemical Equilibrium

				<b>959°C</b>			
<b>Equation:</b>	$\text{H}_2\text{O (g)}$	+	$\text{CO (g)}$	$\rightarrow$	$\text{H}_2 \text{(g)}$	+	$\text{CO}_2 \text{(g)}$
<b>I</b>	2.00		4.00		0.00		0.00
<b>C</b>	- x		- x		+ x		+ x
<b>E</b>	2.00 - x		4.00 - x		x		x

*What is 'x'? It is the equilibrium concentration of  $\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{CO}_2$  at equilibrium! But...you can't have more hydrogen gas than you have of reactants to begin with!*

*Thus, 11 M can't be right!*

*1.5 M is the only sensible answer!*

# Chemical Equilibrium

*What if you don't remember the quadratic formula???*

*You can then use.....*

*Successive Approximation!*