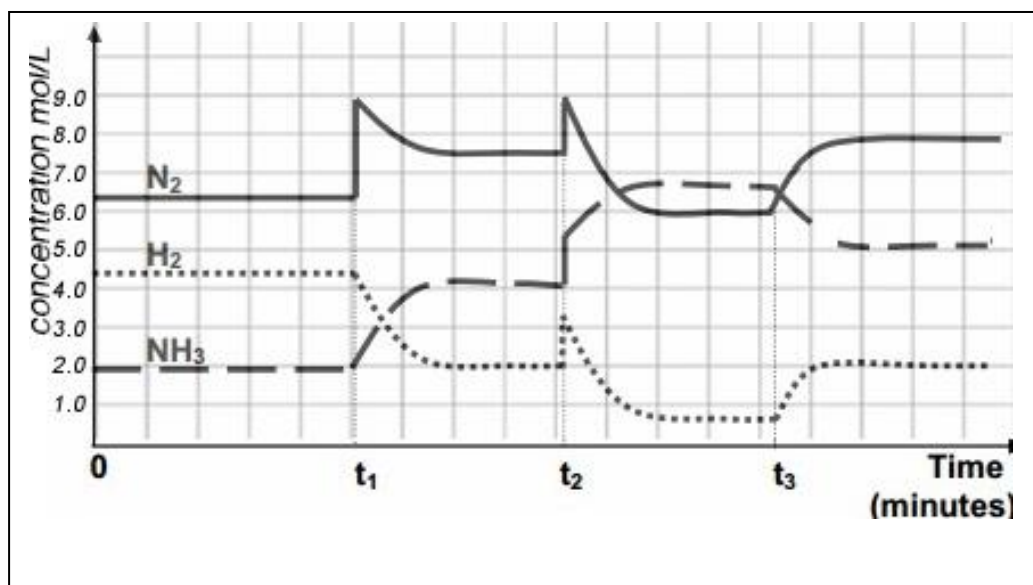


Chemical equilibria worksheet 9

- 1) Consider the reaction given by the equation below.
 $a(aq) + 2b(aq) \rightleftharpoons ab_2(aq)$
 2.00 mol of a and 3.00 mol of b were placed in a vessel containing 100.0 mL of distilled water at 50°C and allowed to reach equilibrium. At equilibrium it was found that 1.00 mol of ab_2 was present.
- a) What is the value of the equilibrium constant for this reaction?
- Step 1 find the mol and concentration of each reactant present at equilibrium
- => mol of a = 1.00 mol => $[a] = 1.00/0.100 = 10.0M$
 mol of b = 1.00 mol => $[b] = 1.00/0.100 = 10.0M$
 mol of $ab_2 = 1.00$ mol => $[ab_2] = 1.00/0.100 = 10.0M$
 $[10.0]/[10.0]^2 [10.0] = 0.0100 M^{-2}$
- b) A change to the system took place while at 50°C and the following concentrations were recorded a short time after the change.
 $[a] = 0.400M$, $[b] = 0.300M$, $[ab_2] = 0.200M$
 Discuss how the system will respond.
- The value of the equilibrium constant at this point is
 => $[0.200]/[0.300]^2 [0.400] = 5.56M^{-2}$
 The value is higher than $0.01M^{-2}$ hence the system, since temperature has not changed, will move to the left to decrease the value of the equilibrium constant back to $0.01M^{-2}$
- 2) The graph below shows the variation in concentration of reactant and products as a function of time for the following system $3H_2(g) + N_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2NH_3(g)$ $\Delta H = -ve$



- a) Discuss what happened at
- i. t_1 = nitrogen gas was introduced and the equilibrium position of the system shifted to the right to partially undo the change.
 - ii. t_2 = volume was reduced and pressure increased. The equilibrium position of the system shifted to the right to partially undo the increase in pressure by reducing the number of particles present.
 - iii. t_3 = temperature was increased hence the systems shifts to the left to partially undo the removal of energy.
- c) What is the equilibrium constant as the reaction reaches equilibrium after t_3
- $$K = \frac{[\text{NH}_3]^2}{[\text{H}_2]^3 [\text{N}_2]} = \frac{[5.0]^2}{[2.0]^3 [8.0]} = 0.39\text{M}^{-2}$$