

Question #61567 – Chemistry – Organic Chemistry

Question

1. What is the concentration of NO gas at equilibrium if you mix 0.20 mol of N<sub>2</sub> and 0.15 mol of O<sub>2</sub> in a 1.0 L container at 2000 °C? The K<sub>c</sub> for the reaction at 2000 °C is .



Solution

Solution is difficult because K<sub>c</sub> is not given by customer.

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

If x mol of N<sub>2</sub> react with O<sub>2</sub>

$$K_c = \frac{[2x]^2}{[0.2-x][0.15-x]}$$

$$(K_c - 4) * x^2 - 0.35K_c x + K_c * 0.03 = 0$$

$x = \frac{4 - K_c + (0.35^2 - 4(K_c - 4) * K_c * 0.03)^{0.5}}{2(K_c - 4)}$  – typical solution of quadratic equation

$$[\text{NO}] = 2x = \frac{2 * (4 - K_c + (0.35^2 - 4(K_c - 4) * K_c * 0.03)^{0.5})}{2(K_c - 4)}$$

$$\text{Answer: } [\text{NO}] = \frac{2 * (4 - K_c + (0.35^2 - 4(K_c - 4) * K_c * 0.03)^{0.5})}{2(K_c - 4)}$$

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