

1. (9 points) **SHOW ALL WORK.** At 50 °C, the ion product ( $K_w$ ) for water is  $5.48 \times 10^{-14}$ . Determine the pH of a 0.0025 M  $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$  solution at this temperature. Include a *balanced chemical equation* for the relevant *equilibrium reaction*.



$$[\text{OH}^-] = (0.0025 \text{ mole Ba}(\text{OH})_2 / \text{L}) (2 \text{ mole OH}^- / 1 \text{ mole Ba}(\text{OH})_2) = 0.0050 \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = K_w / [\text{OH}^-] = (5.48 \times 10^{-14}) / 0.002550 = 1.096 \times 10^{-11}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log(1.096 \times 10^{-11}) = 10.96$$

2. (2 points) Among the following, circle the *strongest acid*.



3. (2 points) Among the following, circle the *weakest acid*.



4. (9 points) **SHOW ALL WORK.** At 100 °C, a reaction has an activation energy ( $E_a$ ) of 165 kJ/mole. When a catalyst is added (at the same temperature), the reaction rate increases by a factor of 10 billion (i.e.,  $1.00 \times 10^{10}$  times faster). Determine the activation energy of the catalyzed reaction.

let  $k_1$  = rate constant for un-catalyzed Rx and let  $k_2$  = rate constant for catalyzed Rx

$$k_1 = Ae^{-E_{a1}/RT} \quad \text{where } E_{a1} = 165 \text{ kJ/mole}$$

$$k_2 = Ae^{-E_{a2}/RT} \quad \text{where } E_{a2} = \text{activation energy of catalyzed Rx}$$

$$k_2 / k_1 = (e^{-E_{a2}/RT}) / (e^{-E_{a1}/RT})$$

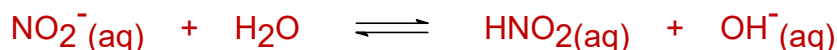
$$\ln(k_2 / k_1) = -E_{a2}/RT - (-E_{a1}/RT) = (E_{a1} - E_{a2}) / RT$$

$$\ln(1.00 \times 10^{10}) = (165 \text{ kJ/mole} - E_{a2}) / (8.314 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kJ/mole}\cdot\text{K}) (373 \text{ K})$$

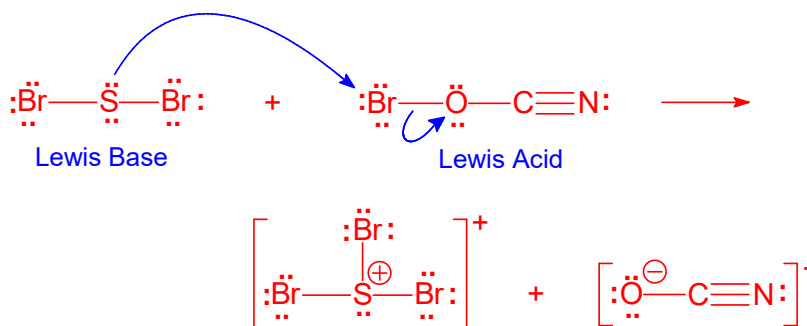
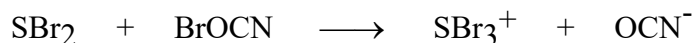
$$23.026 = (165 - E_{a2}) / 3.101$$

$$\therefore E_{a2} = 93.6 \text{ kJ/mole}$$

5. (4 points) (a) The conjugate acid of  $\text{HAsO}_4^{2-}$  is  $\text{H}_2\text{AsO}_4^-$ .  
(b) The conjugate base of  $\text{HSF}_3$  is  $\text{SF}_3^-$ .
6. (2 points) A molecule or ion that can function as both an acid and a base is described as being **amphoteric**. An excellent example of such a species is  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .
7. (4 points) Which one of the following molecules or ions behaves as a *weak base in aqueous solution*? Circle your answer and then write a balanced chemical equation for this process.



8. (10 points) Consider the following reaction in terms of the Lewis Acid-Base concept. Write *complete Lewis electron dot formulas* for all reactants and products. *Clearly indicate which reactant is the Lewis acid and which is the Lewis base.* Use arrows to illustrate the formation and breaking of any bonds as the reaction proceeds from left to right.



9. (8 points) For two solutions, **A** and **B**, fill in the missing values (at 25 °C) in the table below. *Pay attention to significant figures.*

Solution	pH	$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$	pOH	$[\text{OH}^-]$
<b>A</b>	-1.04	11	15.04	$9.1 \times 10^{-16}$
<b>B</b>	10.725	$1.88 \times 10^{-11}$	3.275	$5.31 \times 10^{-4}$

10. (10 points) **SHOW ALL WORK.** As the TA for a Gen Chem lab, you are required to prepare 50.0 L of aqueous HBr with a pH of 2.50. In the chemistry storeroom, you find a bottle of stock solution that is 48.0 % HBr by weight and has a density of 1.50 g/mL. Determine the volume (in mL) of stock solution that you will need in order to prepare 50.0 L of HBr solution with pH = 2.50. (molar mass: HBr = 80.9, H<sub>2</sub>O = 18.0)

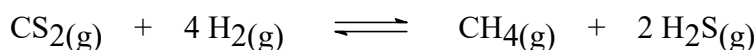
$$\text{molarity of HBr} = [\text{H}^+] = 10^{-2.50} = 0.00316 \text{ mole/L}$$

$$(50.0 \text{ L}) (0.00316 \text{ mole HBr / L}) (80.9 \text{ g/mole}) = 12.78 \text{ g HBr}$$

$$(12.78 \text{ g HBr}) (100 \text{ g soln / 48.0 g HBr}) = 26.63 \text{ g soln}$$

$$(26.63 \text{ g soln}) (1 \text{ mL / 1.50 g}) = 17.8 \text{ mL}$$

11. Consider the following gas-phase reaction for which  $K_c = 8.30 \times 10^5$  at 500 °C.



(a) (4 points) How will the equilibrium amount of  $\text{CS}_2(\text{g})$  be affected by each of following changes? Indicate your answer by writing the appropriate letter.

[I = increase, D = decrease, N = no change]

Change	moles $\text{CS}_2(\text{g})$
add some $\text{CH}_4(\text{g})$	I
add a catalyst	N
increase the pressure	D
remove some $\text{H}_2\text{S}(\text{g})$	D

(b) (2 points) When the temperature of the above equilibrium system is increased, the value of  $K_c$  decreases. This observation indicates that the enthalpy change for the reaction is (circle one):

positive                      zero                      **negative**

(c) (10 points) **SHOW ALL WORK.** At 500 °C, a 2.00 L container was filled with 0.0200 moles of  $\text{CS}_2(\text{g})$  and 0.150 moles of  $\text{H}_2(\text{g})$ . Calculate the molar concentration of  $\text{CS}_2$  in this system after the above equilibrium is established. *Clearly state and justify any assumptions that you may make.* ( $K_c = 8.30 \times 10^5$ )

	$\text{CS}_2(\text{g})$	$+ 4 \text{H}_2(\text{g})$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{CH}_4(\text{g})$	$+ 2 \text{H}_2\text{S}(\text{g})$
I	0.0100 M	0.0750 M		0	0
C	- 0.0100	- 0.0400		+ 0.0100	+ 0.0200
"E"	0	0.0350		0.0100	0.0200
C	+ x	+ 4x		- x	- 2x
E	x	0.0350 + 4x		0.0100 - x	0.0200 - 2x

Since  $K_c$  is very large, the reaction goes essentially to completion. The actual equilibrium concentration of the limiting reactant  $\text{CS}_2$  should be very small.

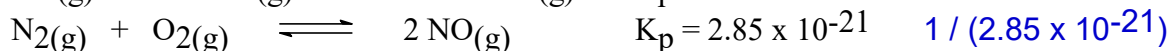
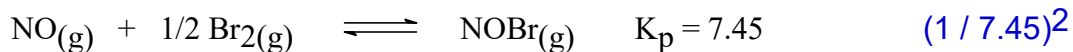
So, we can assume  $x \ll 0.0100$ ,  $2x \ll 0.0200$ , and  $4x \ll 0.0350$ .

$$K_c = [\text{CH}_4][\text{H}_2\text{S}]^2 / [\text{CS}_2][\text{H}_2]^4$$

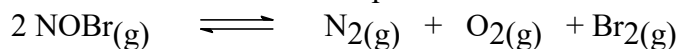
$$8.30 \times 10^5 = (0.010 - x)(0.020 - 2x)^2 / (x)(0.035 + 4x)^4 \approx (0.01)(0.02)^2 / (x)(0.035)^4$$

$$x = [\text{CS}_2] \approx 3.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ M} \quad \text{assumption is OK}$$

12. (4 points) **SHOW ALL WORK.** Consider the following reactions and their equilibrium constants.



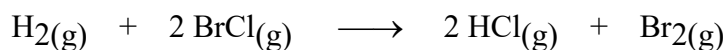
From this information, determine  $K_p$  for the reaction below.



We need to reverse both of the above equations and multiply the first one by 2. This means inverting both  $K_p$  values and squaring the first.

$$K_p = (1 / 7.45)^2 / (2.85 \times 10^{-21}) = 6.32 \times 10^{18}$$

13. (10 points) The following gas-phase reaction is found experimentally to be "first order in H<sub>2</sub> and first order in BrCl." Write the experimental rate law and **propose** a reasonable **two-step mechanism** for this reaction. **Briefly explain** (30 words max) how your mechanism is consistent with the experimental rate law. Clearly indicate which step in your mechanism is the rate-determining step. If your proposed mechanism contains an intermediate, circle it.



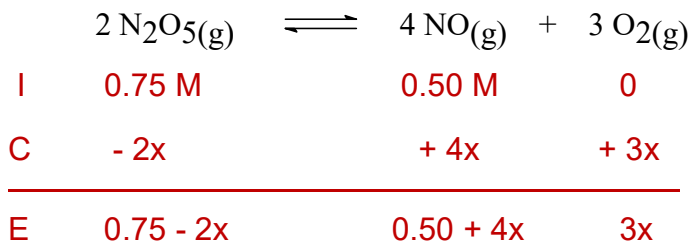
Expt: rate =  $k[\text{H}_2][\text{BrCl}]$

This rate law is consistent with the following proposed mechanism if the first step is rate-determining and the intermediate is HBr.



Based on the slow step, the predicted rate law is: rate =  $k[\text{H}_2][\text{BrCl}]$

14. (10 points) **SHOW ALL WORK.** At 300 K, the following reaction has  $K_c = 1.75 \times 10^{-10}$ . At this temperature, 0.75 moles of N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> and 0.50 moles of NO are combined in a 1.00-L container. Determine the molar concentration of O<sub>2</sub> after equilibrium is achieved.



$$K_c = 1.75 \times 10^{-10} = \frac{[\text{NO}]^4 [\text{O}_2]^3}{[\text{N}_2\text{O}_5]^2} = \frac{(0.50 + 4x)^4 (3x)^3}{(0.75 - 2x)^2}$$

Since  $K_c$  is very small, not much O<sub>2</sub> should be produced.

Assume:  $4x \ll 0.50$  and  $2x \ll 0.75$

$$1.75 \times 10^{-10} \approx \frac{(0.50)^4 (3x)^3}{(0.75)^2}$$

$$[\text{O}_2] = 3x \approx 1.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M} \quad \text{assumption is OK}$$