

1. (a) Forward and reverse reactions at same rate ✓
Achievable from either direction ✓, requires closed system ✓
concentrations of reactants and products are constant ✓

max: [2]

(b) (i)

$$K_c = \frac{[\text{CH}_3\text{OH}(\text{g})]}{[\text{CO}(\text{g})][\text{H}_2(\text{g})]^2} \checkmark\checkmark \text{ 1 mark for top; 1 mark for bottom}$$

[2]

(ii)

$$K_c = \frac{(2.6 \times 10^{-5})}{(3.1 \times 10^{-3})(2.4 \times 10^{-2})^2} \checkmark = 14.6 \checkmark (\text{dm}^6 \text{ mol}^{-2})$$

[2]

- (c) (i) Why did the equilibrium move to the right
fewer molecules on right ✓
reaction relieves increase in pressure ✓

[2]

(ii) What is the effect, if any, on K_c

K_c stays same ✓

[1]

(iii) Rate changes

Rate increases ✓

Increased collisions/more concentrated ✓

Rates initially forward faster than reverse ✓

At equil, rates same ✓

[4]

(d) (i) K_c decreases so products decrease/reactants increase ✓

Therefore equilibrium moves to the left/to endothermic side ✓

2nd mark dependent on first.

[2]

(ii) ΔH is negative because of equilibrium change in (i) ✓

Mark consequential on (i)

[1]

(iii) Partial pressure decreases because less CH_3OH is now present ✓

[1]

[Total: 17]

Unifying concepts

Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the Mark Scheme	/	= alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point
	;	= separates marking points
	NOT	= answers which are not worthy of credit
	()	= words which are not essential to gain credit
	—	= (underlining) key words which must be used to gain credit
	ecf	= error carried forward
	AW	= alternative wording
ora	= or reverse argument	

1. (a) (i) $K_c = \frac{[\text{NO}_2(\text{g})]^2}{[\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})]}$ ✓ [1]

(ii) $K_c = \frac{(0.0150)^2}{(0.0390)} = 5.77 \times 10^{-3}$ ✓ mol dm⁻³ ✓ accept 5.76923 to 5.8 × 10⁻³

If (i) is upside down: $\frac{[\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})]}{[\text{NO}_2(\text{g})]^2}$, then ans = 173 ✓ dm³ mol⁻¹ ✓ accept 173.33333.....to 170

if no square in (i): $\frac{[\text{NO}_2(\text{g})]}{[\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})]}$, then ans = 0.384615.. ✓ no units ✓ (must be stated)

if no square in (i) and inverse: $\frac{[\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})]}{[\text{NO}_2(\text{g})]}$, 2.6 ✓ no units ✓ (must be stated)

(b) $\Delta H = (2 \times 33) - (9)$ ✓ = (+)57 kJ mol⁻¹ ✓ [2]

common errors: -57 ✓ x +24 ✓ x +75 ✓ x -24 x x [2]

(c) *change* more NO₂ / less N₂O₄ ✓

explanation equilibrium position → right or forwards / K_c increases ✓

reaction is endothermic ✓

THIS ANSWER IS CONSEQUENTIAL ON SIGN OF THE ANSWER TO (i)

BUT, a candidate interpreting a '+' enthalpy change as 'exothermic' (or vice versa) will lose the 3rd mark but the 2 'logic marks' before are still consequentially available.

(d) 1 mol N₂O₄ reacts with 2 mol NaOH ✓ [3]

amount of NaOH required = 0.00930 mol ✓

volume NaOH = 1000 × 0.0093 / 0.300 = 31.0 cm³ / 0.0310 dm³ ✓

Common errors

3.1 × 10^x (where x is incorrect) ✓ ✓ x

15.5 cm³ / 0.0155 dm³ ✓ ✓ x

1.55 × 10^x (where x is incorrect) ✓ x x

62 cm³ / 0.062 dm³ ✓ ✓ x

6.2 × 10^x (where x is incorrect) ✓ x x [3]

[Total: 11]