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Group Equilibrium Prelab

1. Record the respective number of red and blue spheres:

	5 s	10 s	15 s	20 s	3 min
Red					
Blue					

- a. At the instant the reaction begins, what is the rate of the reverse reaction, that of **B** going to **A**? Explain in the context of a microscopic view of the collisions of molecules.
- b. How does the rate of change in A compare to B from 0 to 10 sec?
1) Much Greater; 2) Greater; 3) Equal; 4) Less; 5) Much Less
- c. How does the rate of change in A compare to B from 1 to 3 minutes?
1) Much Greater; 2) Greater; 3) Equal; 4) Less; 5) Much Less

True/False

At time = 0 seconds:

- d. The rate of the forward reaction exceeds the rate of the reverse reaction. T / F
- e. The rate of the reverse reaction exceeds the rate of the forward reaction. T / F
- f. For a period of ~20 sec. after initial mixing, the concentration of the products increases. T / F
- g. For a period of ~20 sec after initial mixing, the concentration of the reactants increases. T / F

At equilibrium:

- h. The rate of the forward reaction is zero. T / F
- i. The rate of the reverse reaction is zero. T / F
- j. The rate of the forward reaction is equal to the rate of the reverse reaction. T / F
- k. The rates of the forward and reverse reactions are both constant. T / F

2. Write the equilibrium expression for the reaction.

Using the equilibrium concentrations in question #1 calculate K_c .

3. Record the respective number of red and blue spheres at 3 min. Red: _____ Blue: _____

Calculate K_c .

4. Record the respective number of red and blue spheres at 3 min. Red: _____ Blue: _____

Calculate K_c .

4. Compare the calculated values of K_c for the three trials. Questions #2, 3, 4.

K_c average _____ K_c average deviation _____

What do you conclude about different starting concentrations and K_c .

PART II: <http://www.chm.davidson.edu/ronutt/chel115/equkin/equkin.htm>

1.

Red _o	Blue _o	Red _{eq}	Blue _{eq}	T (Kelvin)	K_c
80	0			298	
80	0			380	

2. In what way are the two plots (#1 and #2) similar, how do they differ?

3. Is this reaction exothermic or endothermic? Briefly explain the reasons for your selection.