#### Le Châtlier's Principle

Predict the direction of the equilibrium shift for each of the following processes:

1)  $H_{2(g)} + Cl_{2(g)} \approx 2 HCl_{(g)}$ 

What direction will the equilibrium shift when the partial pressure of hydrogen is increased?

2) 3  $H_{2(g)} + N_{2(g)} \approx 2 NH_{3(g)}$ 

Given that this reaction is exothermic, what direction will the equilibrium shift when the temperature of the reaction is decreased?

 $3) \qquad 2 \text{ NO}_{2(g)} \rightleftarrows \text{N}_2\text{O}_{4(g)}$ 

If a large quantity of argon is added to the container in which this equilibrium is taking place, in what direction will the equilibrium shift?

4)  $NH_4OH_{(aq)} \rightleftharpoons NH_{3(g)} + H_2O_{(l)}$ 

In what direction will the equilibrium shift if ammonia is removed from the container as soon as it is produced?

5) 2 BH<sub>3(g)</sub>  $\rightleftharpoons$  B<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6(g)</sub>

If this equilibrium is taking place in a piston with a volume of 1 L and I compress it so the final volume is 0.5 L, in what direction will the equilibrium shift?

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1)  $H_{2(g)} + Cl_{2(g)} \rightleftharpoons 2 HCl_{(g)}$ 

What direction will the equilibrium shift when the partial pressure of hydrogen is increased?

It will shift to the right to decrease the pressure of hydrogen.

2) 3  $H_{2(g)}$  +  $N_{2(g)}$   $\rightleftharpoons$  2  $NH_{3(g)}$ 

Given that this reaction is exothermic, what direction will the equilibrium shift when the temperature of the reaction is decreased?

# It will shift to the right so that the heat that's being removed will be replaced.

 $3) \qquad 2 \operatorname{NO}_{2(g)} \rightleftarrows \operatorname{N}_2\operatorname{O}_{4(g)}$ 

If a large quantity of argon is added to the container in which this equilibrium is taking place, in what direction will the equilibrium shift?

## It won't shift, because the partial pressures of each gas will be the same.

4)  $NH_4OH_{(aq)} \rightleftharpoons NH_{3(g)} + H_2O_{(l)}$ 

In what direction will the equilibrium shift if ammonia is removed from the container as soon as it is produced?

## It will shift to the right in an effort to increase the quantity of ammonia present.

5) 2 BH<sub>3(g)</sub>  $\rightleftharpoons$  B<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6(g)</sub>

If this equilibrium is taking place in a piston with a volume of 1 L and I compress it so the final volume is 0.5 L, in what direction will the equilibrium shift?

### It will shift to the right so the volume of the gases in the equilibrium will also be decreased.