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# (Chapter 4)(Chemical Kinetics)

#### **Intext Questions**

**Question 4.1:** 

For the reaction  $R \rightarrow P$ , the concentration of a reactant changes from 0.03 M to 0.02 M in 25 minutes. Calculate the average rate of reaction using units of time both in minutes and seconds.

Answer

Average rate of reaction  

$$= -\frac{\Delta[R]}{\Delta t}$$

$$= -\frac{[R]_2 - [R]_1}{t_2 - t_1}$$

$$= -\frac{0.02 - 0.03}{25} \text{ M min}^{-1}$$

$$= -\frac{-0.01}{25} \text{ M min}^{-1}$$

$$= 4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M min}^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{4 \times 10^{-4}}{60} \text{ M s}^{-1}$$

$$= 6.67 \times 10^{-6} \text{ M s}^{-1}$$

**Question 4.2:** 

In a reaction,  $2A \rightarrow$  Products, the concentration of A decreases from 0.5 mol L<sup>-1</sup> to 0.4 mol L<sup>-1</sup> in 10 minutes. Calculate the rate during this interval? Answer

 $= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta[A]}{\Delta t}$  Average rate

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$$= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{[A]_2 - [A]_1}{t_2 - t_1}$$

 $=-rac{1}{2}rac{0.4-0.5}{10}$ 

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{-0.1}{10}$$
  
= 0.005 mol L<sup>-1</sup> min<sup>-1</sup>

= 5 ×  $10^{-3}$  M min<sup>-1</sup>

**Question 4.3:** 

For a reaction,  $A + B \rightarrow Product$ ; the rate law is given by,  $r = k[A]^{1/2}[B]^2$ . What is the order of the reaction?

Answer

The order of the reaction  $=\frac{1}{2}+2$ 

$$=2\frac{1}{2}$$
  
= 2.5

**Question 4.4:** 

The conversion of molecules X to Y follows second order kinetics. If concentration of X is increased to three times how will it affect the rate of formation of Y? Answer

The reaction  $X \rightarrow Y$  follows second order kinetics.

Therefore, the rate equation for this reaction will be:

Rate =  $k[X]^{2}(1)$ 

Let  $[X] = a \mod L^{-1}$ , then equation (1) can be written as:

Rate<sub>1</sub> =  $k . (a)^2$ 

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 $= ka^{2}$ 

If the concentration of X is increased to three times, then  $[X] = 3a \mod L^{-1}$ Now, the rate equation will be:

Rate =  $k (3a)^2$ 

 $= 9(ka^2)$ 

Hence, the rate of formation will increase by 9 times.

**Question 4.5:** 

A first order reaction has a rate constant 1.15  $10^{-3}$  s<sup>-1</sup>. How long will 5 g of this reactant

take to reduce to 3 g?

Answer

From the question, we can write down the following information:

Initial amount = 5 g

Final concentration = 3 g

Rate constant =  $1.15 \ 10^{-3} \ s^{-1}$ 

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We know that for a 1<sup>st</sup> order reaction,

$$t = \frac{2.303}{k} \log \frac{[R]_0}{[R]}$$
$$= \frac{2.303}{1.15 \times 10^{-3}} \log \frac{5}{3}$$

$$=\frac{2.303}{1.15\times10^{-3}}\times0.2219$$

= 444.38 s

= 444 s (approx)

#### **Question 4.6:**

Time required to decompose  $SO_2Cl_2$  to half of its initial amount is 60 minutes. If the decomposition is a first order reaction, calculate the rate constant of the reaction.

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Answer

We know that for a  $1^{st}$  order reaction,

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{k}$$

It is given that  $t_{1/2} = 60$  min

$$\therefore k = \frac{0.693}{t_{1/2}}$$

$$=\frac{0.693}{60}$$

 $= 0.01155 \text{ min}^{-1}$ 

=1.155 min<sup>-1</sup>

Or  $k = 1.925 \times 10^{-4} \, \text{s}^{-1}$ 

**Question 4.7:** 

What will be the effect of temperature on rate constant?

Answer

The rate constant of a reaction is nearly doubled with a 10° rise in temperature. However, the exact dependence of the rate of a chemical reaction on temperature is given by Arrhenius equation,

$$k = Ae^{-Ea/R}$$

Where,

A is the Arrhenius factor or the frequency factor

*T* is the temperature

R is the gas constant

 $E_a$  is the activation energy

**Question 4.8:** 

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The rate of the chemical reaction doubles for an increase of 10 K in absolute temperature from 298 K. Calculate  $E_a$ .

Answer

It is given that  $T_1 = 298$  K

$$T_2 = (298 + 10) \text{ K}$$

= 308 K

We also know that the rate of the reaction doubles when temperature is increased by 10°.

Therefore, let us take the value of  $k_1 = k$  and that of  $k_2 = 2k$ 

Also,  $R = 8.314 \text{ J } \text{K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ 

Now, substituting these values in the equation:

$$\log \frac{k_2}{k_1} = \frac{E_a}{2.303 R} \left[ \frac{T_2 - T_1}{T_1 T_2} \right]$$

We get:

$$\log \frac{2k}{k} = \frac{E_{a}}{2.303 \times 8.314} \left[ \frac{10}{298 \times 308} \right]$$
$$\Rightarrow \log 2 = \frac{E_{a}}{2.303 \times 8.314} \left[ \frac{10}{298 \times 308} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow E_{a} = \frac{2.303 \times 8.314 \times 298 \times 308 \times \log 2}{10}$$

= 52897.78 J mol<sup>-1</sup>

Note: There is a slight variation in this answer and the one given in the NCERT textbook.

**Question 4.9:** 

The activation energy for the reaction

 $2\mathrm{HI}(g) \to \mathrm{H_2}\,+\,\mathrm{I_{2}}(g)$ 

is 209.5 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> at 581K. Calculate the fraction of molecules of reactants having energy equal to or greater than activation energy?



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Answer

In the given case:  $E_a = 209.5 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} = 209500 \text{ J mol}^{-1}$  T = 581 K $R = 8.314 \text{ JK}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ 

Now, the fraction of molecules of reactants having energy equal to or greater than activation energy is given as:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \mathrm{e}^{-E\mathrm{a}/RT} \\ \Rightarrow \ln x &= -E_\mathrm{a} \ / \ RT \end{aligned}$$

 $\Rightarrow \log x = -\frac{E_a}{2.303 \ RT}$ 

 $\Rightarrow \log x = \frac{209500 \,\mathrm{J} \,\mathrm{mol}^{-1}}{2.303 \times 8.314 \,\mathrm{JK}^{-1} \,\mathrm{mol}^{-1} \times 581} = 18.8323$ 

Now, 
$$x = \text{Anti} \log (18.8323)$$
  
= Anti  $\log \overline{19.1677}$   
=  $1.471 \times 10^{-19}$ 

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