(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

$$= -\frac{\left[R\right]_{2} - \left[R\right]_{1}}{t_{2} - t_{1}}$$

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

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

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

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

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

Question 4.2:

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

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



$$= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{[A]_2 - [A]_1}{t_2 - t_1}$$
$$= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{0.4 - 0.5}{10}$$
$$= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{-0.1}{10}$$
$$= 0.005 \text{ mol } L^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$$

= 5 × 10⁻³ M min⁻¹

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 $X \to Y$ 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:

Rate₁ = $k . (a)^2$



$= ka^2$

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⁻¹. 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 1st order reaction,

$$t = \frac{2.303}{k} \log \frac{[R]_0}{[R]}$$
$$= \frac{2.303}{1.15 \times 10^{-3}} \log \frac{5}{3}$$
$$= \frac{2.303}{1.15 \times 10^{-3}} \times 0.2219$$

= 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.



Answer

We know that for a 1st 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^{-1}

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,

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

Where,

A is the Arrhenius factor or the frequency factor

 ${\cal T}$ is the temperature

R is the gas constant

 E_{a} is the activation energy

Question 4.8:



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 $T_1 = 298 \text{ K}$

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

= 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⁻¹

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⁻¹ at 581K. Calculate the fraction of molecules of reactants having energy equal to or greater than activation energy?



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:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= e^{-Ea/RT} \\ \Rightarrow \ln x &= -E_a / RT \end{aligned}$$

 $\Rightarrow \log x = -\frac{E_{\rm a}}{2.303 \ RT}$

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

Now,
$$x = \text{Anti} \log (18.8323)$$

= Anti $\log \overline{19}.1677$
= 1.471×10^{-19}

