

## Class 12 Chemistry

### NCERT Solutions for Chapter 4 – Chemical Kinetics

#### Intext Questions

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.

**Ans:** The average rate of the reaction can be calculated by dividing the change in the rate of decreasing the rate of reactant by the time taken. This is given below:

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

This can be written as:

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

$$[R]_1 = 0.03 \text{ M}$$

$$[R]_2 = 0.02 \text{ M}$$

$$t_2 - t_1 = 25 \text{ min}$$

Putting the values, we get:

$$\text{Average rate} = - \frac{0.02 - 0.03}{25}$$

$$\text{Average rate} = - \frac{-0.01}{25} = 4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M min}^{-1}$$

So, the average rate in minutes will be  $4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M min}^{-1}$

Now, to find the average rate in seconds we have to divide the above answer by 60. So, the answer will be:

$$\text{Average rate} = \frac{4 \times 10^{-4}}{60} = 6.66 \times 10^{-6} \text{ M s}^{-1}$$

Therefore, the average rate in seconds will be

$$6.66 \times 10^{-6} \text{ M s}^{-1}$$

**2. In a reaction,  $2A \rightarrow \rightarrow$  Products, the concentration of A decreases from  $0.5 \text{ mol L}^{-1}$  to  $0.4 \text{ mol L}^{-1}$  in 10 minutes. Calculate the rate during this interval.**

**Ans:** The average rate of the reaction can be calculated by dividing the change in the rate of decreasing the rate of reactant by the time taken. This is given below:

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

This is due to the fact that the reaction given is:



So, the average rate will be written as:

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

$$[A]_1 = 0.5 \text{ M}$$

$$[A]_2 = 0.4 \text{ M}$$

$$t_2 - t_1 = 10 \text{ min}$$

Putting the values, we get:

$$\text{Average rate} = - \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{0.4 - 0.5}{10}$$

$$\text{Average rate} = - \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{-0.1}{10} = 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M min}^{-1}$$

So, the average rate will be  $5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M min}^{-1}$

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

**Ans:** The order of the reaction can be calculated by adding the stoichiometry coefficients of the reactants in the given rate of the reaction.

$$\text{Given the rate is } r = k [A]^{1/2} [B]^2$$

So, the order will be:

$$\text{Order} = \frac{1}{2} + 2 = 2.5$$

So, the order of the reaction is 2.5.

**4. The conversion of the 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?**

**Ans:** The reaction will be:



As the question says that this reaction follows the second order reaction, we can write the rate law equation as:

$$\text{Rate} = k [X]^2 = k a^2 \quad \text{Rate} = k [X]^2 = k a^2$$

$$\text{If } X = a \text{ mol/L}$$

It is said that the concentration of X increases by three times, so we can write:

$$X = 3a \text{ mol/L}$$

Therefore, the rate of reaction will be:

$$\text{Rate} = k (3a)^2 = 9 k a^2 \quad \text{Rate} = k (3a)^2 = 9 k a^2$$

Thus, the rate of the reaction will increase by 9 times or the rate formation will increase by 9 times.

**5. A first order reaction has a rate constant  $1.15 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$ . How long will 5 g reactant take to reduce to 3 g?**

**Ans:** The initial amount of the reactant is given as 5 g. We can write:

$$[R]_0 = 5 \text{ g} \quad [R]_0 = 5 \text{ g}$$

The final amount of the reactant is given as 3 g. We can write:

$$R = 3 \text{ g}$$

We are also given the value of rate constant as:

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

We know that the reaction is a 1<sup>st</sup> order reaction, the time can be calculated by:

$$t = \frac{2.303}{k} \log \frac{[R]_0}{[R]_t} \quad t = \frac{2.303}{k} \log \frac{[R]_0}{[R]}$$

Putting the values in the above formula, we get:

$$t = 2.3031.15 \times 10^{-3} \log 53t = 2.3031.15 \times 10^{-3} \log 53$$

$$t = 2.3031.15 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.2219t = 2.3031.15 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.2219$$

$$t = 444 \text{ seconds}$$

So, the time taken will be 444 seconds.

**6. Time required to decompose  $\text{SO}_2\text{Cl}_2$  to half its initial amount is 60 minutes. If the decomposition is a first order reaction, calculate the rate constant of the reaction.**

**Ans:** We are given that the decomposition of  $\text{SO}_2\text{Cl}_2$  is a first order reaction. So, we can write:

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

It is mentioned that the time required for the initial amount to become half is 60 minutes.

$$t_{1/2} = 60 \text{ min}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } k = 0.693/t_{1/2}$$

Putting the value, we get:

$$k = 0.693/60 = 1.155 \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Thus, the rate constant is  $1.155 \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$ .

**7. What will be the effect of temperature on rate constant?**

**Ans:** An increase of 10 degrees in temperature causes a reaction's rate constant to almost double in size. In any case, the Arrhenius equation gives the exact temperature dependency of a chemical reaction rate.

The Arrhenius equation is given below:

$$k = A e^{-E_a/RT}$$

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.

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

**Ans:** The formula that can be used to solve the question is:

$$\log \frac{k_2}{k_1} = \frac{E_a}{2.303R} \left[ \frac{1}{T_1} - \frac{1}{T_2} \right]$$

$T_1$  temperature given is absolute temperature and it is equal to 298 K.

$$T_2 = 298 + 10 = 308 \text{ K}$$

It is given that the rate of the chemical reaction double for an increase of 10 K, therefore, we can write the values of rate constant as:

$$k_1 = x$$

$$k_2 = 2x$$

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

Now, putting all the values in the formula, we get:

$$\log \frac{2x}{x} = \frac{E_a}{2.303 \times 8.314} \left[ \frac{1}{298} - \frac{1}{308} \right]$$

$$\log 2 = \frac{E_a}{2.303 \times 8.314} \left[ \frac{1}{298} - \frac{1}{308} \right]$$

$$E_a = \frac{2.303 \times 8.314 \times 298 \times 308 \times \log 2}{\left( \frac{1}{298} - \frac{1}{308} \right)}$$

$$E_a = 52897.78 \text{ J mol}^{-1}$$

$$E_a = 52.89 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

**9. The activation energy for the reaction**

$2\text{HI}(g) \rightarrow \text{H}_2(g) + \text{I}_2(g)$  is  $209.5 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$  at **581 K. Calculate the fraction of molecules having energy equal to or greater than activation energy.**

**Ans:** We are given the activation energy as  $209.5 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

$$T = 581 \text{ K}$$

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

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

$$x = e^{-E_a/RT} \quad x = e^{-E_a/RT}$$

$$\ln x = -E_a/RT \quad \ln x = -E_a/RT$$

$$\log x = -E_a/2.303 RT \quad \log x = -E_a/2.303 RT$$

$$\log x = -2095002.303 \times 8.314 \times 581 = -18.8323 \quad \log x = -2095002.303 \times 8.314 \times 581 = -18.8323$$

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Now, taking the antilog:

$$x = \text{Antilog}(-18.8323)$$

$$x = 1.471 \times 10^{-19} \quad x = 1.471 \times 10^{-19}$$

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