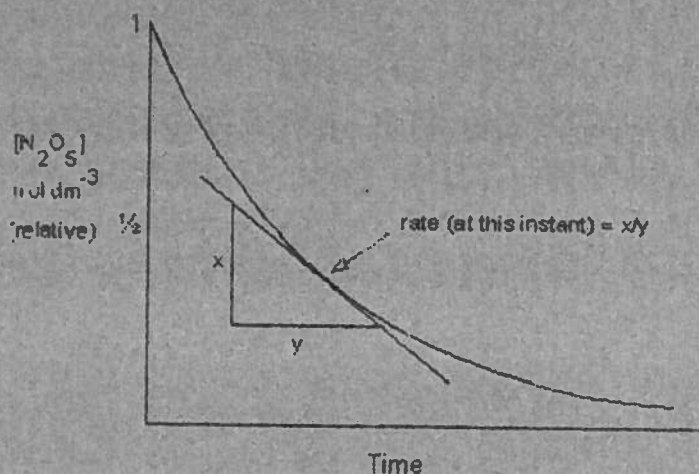


5.1.1 & 5.1.2

Kinetics & Equilibrium

Exam Questions



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1 (a)	(i) constant half-life ✓	[1]
	(ii) rate = $k [N_2O_5]$ ✓ Common error will be to use '2' from equation.	[1]
	(iii) curve downwards getting less steep ✓ curve goes through 1200,0.30; 2400,0.15; 3600,0.075 ✓	[2]
	(iv) tangent shown on graph at $t = 1200 \text{ s}$ ✓	[1]
	(v) $3.7(2) \times 10^{-4}$ ✓ $\text{mol dm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ✓ ecf possible from (ii) using $[N_2O_5]^x$ (2nd order answer: $2.2(3) \times 10^{-4}$)	[2]
(b)	(i) slow step ✓	[1]
	(ii) $(CH_3)_2C=CH_2 + H_2O \rightarrow (CH_3)_3COH$ ✓	[1]
	(iii) H^+ is a catalyst ✓ H^+ used in first step and formed in second step/ regenerated/ not used up ✓	[2]
	(iv) rate = $k [(CH_3)_2C=CH_2] [H^+]$ ✓ common error will be use of H_2O instead of H^+	[1]
		Total: 12

2. (a) $k = \frac{\text{rate}}{[\text{H}_2(\text{g})][\text{NO}(\text{g})]^2}$ ✓
 $k = 8.3 \times 10^4$ ✓ $\text{dm}^6 \text{mol}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ ✓ calculator value: $8.33333\dots \times 10^4$
 If [NO] is not squared: $\frac{\text{rate}}{[\text{H}_2(\text{g})][\text{NO}(\text{g})]}$ ×, ans = 250 ✓ units: $\text{dm}^3 \text{mol}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$ ✓
 If the expression is upside down: $\frac{[\text{H}_2(\text{g})][\text{NO}(\text{g})]^2}{\text{rate}}$ ×, ans = 1.2×10^{-5} ✓ units: $\text{mol}^2 \text{s dm}^{-6}$ ✓
 upside down and not squared: $\frac{[\text{H}_2(\text{g})][\text{NO}(\text{g})]}{\text{rate}}$ ××, ans = $0.004 \text{ mol s dm}^{-3}$ ✓ [3]

(b) (i) effect on rate × 2 ✓
 reason 1st order wrt $\text{H}_2(\text{g})$ ✓ [2]

(ii) effect on rate × 1/4 ✓
 reason 2nd order wrt $\text{NO}(\text{g})$ ✓ [2]

(iii) effect on rate × 27 ✓ [2]

(c) (i) slowest step ✓ [1]

(ii) step 1 (RDS) $\text{H}_2(\text{g}) + 2 \text{NO}(\text{g}) \longrightarrow \text{N}_2\text{O}(\text{g}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$ ✓
 step 2 $\text{H}_2(\text{g}) + \text{N}_2\text{O}(\text{g}) \longrightarrow \text{N}_2(\text{g}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$ rest of equations ✓ [1]

(d) (i) NH_3 , -3 ✓
 NO , +2 ✓
 HNO_3 , +5 ✓ [2]

(ii) $4\text{NH}_3(\text{g}) + 5\text{O}_2(\text{g}) \longrightarrow 4\text{NO}(\text{g}) + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$
 products + reactants → 1 mark; balancing → 1 mark ✓ ✓ [3]

(iii) molar masses $\text{NH}_3 = 17$; $\text{HNO}_3 = 63$ ✓
 mass = $700\,000 \times 17/63 = 1.89 \times 10^5$ tonnes ✓ calc value $1.88888\dots \times 10^5$
 ans: mark could be consequential on incorrect molar masses. [2]

[Total: 18]

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3 (a)	$H_2O_2 + 2I^- + 2H^+ \rightarrow I_2 + 2H_2O$ equation includes H_2O , I^- , H^+ as reactants and I_2 as product ✓ equation balanced ✓	[2]
(b) (i)	Exp 2 has twice $[I^-]$ as Exp 1 and rate has quadrupled ✓, so order = 2 with respect to I^- ✓ Exp 3 has twice $[H^+]$ as 2 and rate is unchanged ✓, so order = 0 with respect to H^+ ✓AW	[4]
(ii)	rate = $k[H_2O_2][I^-]^2$ ✓✓ 1 mark for: rate = $k \times$ concs (ecf from (i))	[2]
(iii)	$k = \text{rate}/[H_2O_2][I^-]^2$ ✓ (ecf from (ii)) From one of expts, e.g. Exp 1: $k = 1.15 \times 10^{-6}/(0.01)(0.01)^2$ $= 1.15 \text{ dm}^6 \text{ mol}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ✓ (ecf from (ii))	[3]
(c)		[2]
(d) (i)	$2H_2O_2 \rightarrow 2H_2O + O_2$ ✓	[1]
(ii)	$1 \text{ dm}^3 H_2O_2 \rightarrow 20 \text{ dm}^3 O_2$ ✓ amount of $O_2 = 20/24 \text{ mol}$ ✓ concentration of $H_2O_2 = 2 \times 20/24 = 1.67 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ ✓	[3]
		Total: 17

- 4(a) (i) What is meant by the *half-life* of a reaction, $t_{1/2}$?
Time for half a reactant to react ✓ [1]
- (ii) $t_{1/2} = 460 \pm 10$ s ✓
constant half life ✓
evidence on graph to support constant half life (at least two half-lives shown) ✓ [3]
- (iii) no change ✓ [1]
- (b) $k = 0.693 / t_{1/2} = 0.693/460 = 1.51 \times 10^{-3}$ ✓ s^{-1} ✓
for consequential marking: answer should be: 0.693/ans to (a)(ii) [2]
- (c) Rate = $k[\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{N}_2\text{Cl}(\text{aq})]$ ✓ [1]
- (d) (i) After 800s, $[\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{N}_2\text{Cl}(\text{aq})] = 1.8 \times 10^{-4}$ mol dm^{-3} ✓
(allow any value from 1.7×10^{-4} to 1.8×10^{-4}) [1]
- (ii) Rate = $k[\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{N}_2\text{Cl}(\text{aq})] = (1.51 \times 10^{-3}) \times (1.8 \times 10^{-4})$
 $= 2.7 \times 10^{-7}$ ✓ mol dm^{-3} s^{-1} ✓ [2]
- (iii) measure gradient at $t = 800$ s ✓ [1]
- [Total: 12]

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5 (a) (i)	O ₃ : 1 and C ₂ H ₄ ✓	[1]
(ii)	2 ✓	[1]
(iii)	rate = k [O ₃] [C ₂ H ₄] ✓	[1]
(b) (i)	measure gradient/tangent ✓ at t = 0/start of reaction ✓	[2]
(ii)	$k = \frac{\text{rate}}{[\text{O}_3][\text{C}_2\text{H}_4]}$ ✓ $k = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-12}}{0.5 \times 10^{-7} \times 1.0 \times 10^{-8}} = 2 \times 10^3$ ✓ dm ³ mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹ ✓	[3]
(iii)	2 mol CH ₂ O forms for every 0.5 mol O ₂ / stoichiometry of CH ₂ O : O ₂ is not 1:1 ✓	[1]
(iv)	rate increases ✓ k increases ✓	[2]
(c) (i)	each atom has two unpaired electrons ✓	[1]
(ii)	2 oxygen atoms bonded by double bond ✓ third oxygen bonded by a covalent bond and outer shells correct ✓ For 2nd mark, all O atoms must have an octet. A triangular molecule would have 3 single covalent bonds for 1st mark but the origin of each electron must be clear for 2nd mark	[2]
(iii)	amount of O ₃ in 150 kg = 150 × 10 ³ / 48 = 3.13 × 10 ³ mol ✓ amount of Cl radicals in 1 g = 1 / 35.5 = 2.82 × 10 ⁻² mol ✓ 1 mol Cl destroys 3.13 × 10 ³ / 2.82 × 10 ⁻² = 1.11 × 10 ⁵ mol O ₃ ✓ 1 Cl radical destroys 1.11 × 10 ⁵ O ₃ molecules ✓ (calculator: 110937)	[3]
		Total: 17

6 (a)(i)	<p>H⁺(aq): Exp 3 has 2 x [H⁺(aq)] as Exp 1 and rate has increased by 4 ✓ so order = 2 with respect to H⁺(aq) ✓</p> <p>BrO₃⁻(aq): Exp 2 has 2 x [BrO₃⁻] as Exp 1 and rate increases by 2 ✓ so order = 1 with respect to BrO₃⁻(aq) ✓</p> <p>Br⁻(aq): Exp 4 has 3 x [BrO₃⁻(aq)] as Exp 1 which increases rate by 3 and Exp 4 has 2 x [Br⁻(aq)] as Exp 1 rate has increased by 6 so doubling [Br⁻(aq)] doubles rate ✓ so order = 1 with respect to Br⁻(aq) ✓</p>	<p>[2]</p> <p>[2]</p> <p>[2]</p>
(ii)	rate = $k [H^+]^2 [BrO_3^-] [Br^-]$ ✓	[1]
(iii)	$k = \frac{\text{rate}}{[H^+]^2 [BrO_3^-] [Br^-]} / \frac{1.68 \times 10^{-5}}{0.30^2 \times 0.05 \times 0.25} \checkmark$ <p>= 0.0149/0.015 ✓ units: $\text{dm}^9 \text{mol}^{-3} \text{s}^{-1}$ ✓</p> <p>answer to 2 or 3 sig figs ✓ (calculator: 0.0149333333)</p> <p>mark consequentially from (a)(ii)</p> <p>common ecfs: From expt 1: rate = $k [H^+]^2 [BrO_3^-] \longrightarrow 0.00373 \text{ dm}^6 \text{ mol}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$</p>	[4]
(b)	gradient at t=0/start ✓	[1]
(c)	Overall equation has different stoichiometry/number of moles to rate equation ✓	[1]
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7. From graph, constant half-life (1)
 Therefore 1st order w.r.t. [CH₃COCH₃] (1) 2
- From table, rate doubles when [H⁺] doubles (1)
 Therefore 1st order w.r.t. [H⁺] (1) 2
- From table, rate stays same when [I₂] doubles (1)
 Therefore zero order w.r.t. [I₂] (1)
 Order with no justification does **not** score. 2
- rate = k[H⁺][CH₃COCH₃] (1)
 (from all three pieces of evidence)

$$k = \frac{\text{rate}}{[\text{H}^+][\text{CH}_3\text{COCH}_3]} / \frac{2.1 \times 10^{-9}}{0.02 \times 1.5 \times 10^{-3}} \text{ (1)}$$

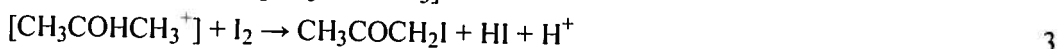
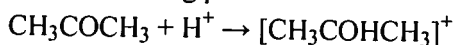
$$= 7.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ (1) dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ (1)} \quad 4$$

accept 7 × 10⁻⁵

rate determining step involves species in rate equation (1)

two steps that add up to give the overall equation (1)

The left hand side of a step that contains the species in rate-determining step (1)
 i.e., for marking points 2 and 3:





organises relevant information clearly and coherently,
 using specialist vocabulary where appropriate

Use of the following four words/phrases:

constant, half-life, order, doubles/x2 (1) 1

[14]

Question	Expected Answers	Marks												
1 (a)	$K_c = \frac{[\text{CH}_3\text{COOC}_2\text{H}_5][\text{H}_2\text{O}]}{[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}][\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}]}$ ✓✓ award 1 mark if upside down	[2]												
(b) (i)	<table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr> <td>CH₃COOH</td> <td>C₂H₅OH</td> <td>CH₃COOC₂H₅</td> <td>H₂O</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6.0</td> <td>12.5</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>7.5</td> <td>5</td> <td>5</td> </tr> </table> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div>	CH ₃ COOH	C ₂ H ₅ OH	CH ₃ COOC ₂ H ₅	H ₂ O	6.0	12.5	0	0	1	7.5	5	5	[2]
CH ₃ COOH	C ₂ H ₅ OH	CH ₃ COOC ₂ H ₅	H ₂ O											
6.0	12.5	0	0											
1	7.5	5	5											
(ii)	$K_c = \frac{5 \times 5}{1 \times 7.5} = 3.3$ ✓ no units ✓ (or ecf based on answers to (i) and/or (a))	[2]												
(c)	leave experiment longer ✓ monitor compositions and repeat until constant value ✓	[2]												
(d) (i)	more CH ₃ COOC ₂ H ₅ & H ₂ O / less CH ₃ COOH & C ₂ H ₅ OH ✓ equilibrium → right ✓ AW	[2]												
(ii)	K_c stays same ✓	[1]												
(e)	stays the same/ catalyst does not shift equilibrium position ✓ forward & reverse reactions altered by same amount/ equilibrium achieved in less time ✓	[2]												
(f) (i)	equilibrium → left ✓ more reactants / less products ✓	[2]												
(ii)	forward reaction is exothermic ✓	[1]												
		Total: 16												

Question	Expected Answers	Marks
2 (a) (i)	$K_c = \frac{[\text{NO}]^2}{[\text{N}_2][\text{O}_2]} \checkmark\checkmark$ <p style="text-align: right;"><i>award 1 mark if upside down</i> <i>K_p expression worth 1 mark</i></p> <p>Equil → left because K_c is very small</p>	[2] [1]
(b) (i) (ii) (iii)	$[\text{O}_2(\text{g})] = \frac{[\text{NO}]^2}{[\text{N}_2] \times K_c} = \frac{(4.0 \times 10^{-16})^2}{1.1 \times 4.8 \times 10^{-31}} \checkmark$ <p>= 0.30 mol dm⁻³ ✓ (calculator: 0.303030303) answer given to 2 sig figs ✓ 3.3 ✓✓ (upside down) calc: 3.3 7.6 × 10¹⁴ ✓✓ (missing out ²) calc: 7.5757..... 0.37 ✓✓ (1.1 on top) calc: 0.366666.. 5.2 × 10⁻⁴⁸ ✓✓ ('4' values swapped) calc: 5.236363. × 10⁻⁴⁸</p> <p>ΔH is +ve ✓ equilibrium moves to the right to compensate for increase in temperature/to lower the temperature / to minimise the change ✓</p> <p>increase in proportion of NO ✓ because K_c increases <i>Can be linked to either increased proportion of NO or enthalpy change ✓</i></p> <p>2NO + O₂ → 2NO₂ ✓✓ <i>species correct for 1st mark</i> <i>'simplest' balanced equation for 2nd mark</i> NO + 1/2O₂ → NO₂ also gets both marks N₂O₄ is fine NO₂ for 1st mark</p>	[3] [4] [2]

(c)	<p>Optimum Pressure low pressure ✓ fewer gaseous moles on left ✓</p> <p>Optimum Temperature optimum: low temperature ✓ forward reaction is exothermic ✓</p> <p>Reason mark can only be awarded if the condition mark is correct.</p> <p>Condition mark is independent</p> <p>1000°C used to increase rate with more energetic collisions OR so that a greater proportion of molecules exceed activation energy ✓</p> <p>10 atm used to increase rate by increasing concentration OR increasing collisions ✓</p> <p>Catalyst used to increase rate by lowering the activation energy/providing a lower energy route ✓ <i>NOT increase equilibrium yield</i></p> <p>Quality of written communication: Recognition of a compromise between rate and equilibrium amount ✓</p>	<p>[7]</p> <p>[1]</p>
		Total: 20

- 3 (a) Forward and reverse reactions at same rate ✓
Achievable from either direction ✓, requires closed system ✓
concentrations of reactants and products are constant ✓

max: [2]

(b) (i)

$$K_c = \frac{[\text{CH}_3\text{OH}(\text{g})]}{[\text{CO}(\text{g})][\text{H}_2(\text{g})]^2} \checkmark \checkmark \text{ 1 mark for top; 1 mark for bottom}$$

(ii)

$$K_c = \frac{(2.6 \times 10^{-5})}{(3.1 \times 10^{-3})(2.4 \times 10^{-2})^2} \checkmark = 14.6 \checkmark (\text{dm}^6 \text{ mol}^{-2})$$

[2]

- (c) (i) Why did the equilibrium move to the right
fewer molecules on right ✓

[2]

reaction relieves increase in pressure ✓

- (ii) What is the effect, if any, on K_c

[2]

K_c stays same ✓

- (iii) Rate changes

[1]

Rate increases ✓

Increased collisions/more concentrated ✓

Rates initially forward faster than reverse ✓

At equil, rates same ✓

- (d) (i) K_c decreases so products decrease/reactants increase ✓

[4]

Therefore equilibrium moves to the left/to endothermic side ✓

2nd mark dependent on first.

- (ii) ΔH is negative because of equilibrium change in (i) ✓

[2]

Mark consequential on (i)

[1]

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4. (a) (i) $K_c = \frac{[\text{NO}_2(\text{g})]^2}{[\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})]}$ ✓ [1]

(ii) $K_c = \frac{(0.0150)^2}{(0.0390)} = 5.77 \times 10^{-3}$ ✓ mol dm⁻³ ✓ accept 5.76923 to 5.8 × 10⁻³

if (i) is upside down: $\frac{[\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})]}{[\text{NO}_2(\text{g})]^2}$, then ans = 173 ✓ dm³ mol⁻¹ ✓ accept 173.33333.....to 170

if no square in (i): $\frac{[\text{NO}_2(\text{g})]}{[\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})]}$, then ans = 0.384615.. ✓ no units ✓ (must be stated)

if no square in (i) and inverse: $\frac{[\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})]}{[\text{NO}_2(\text{g})]}$, 2.6 ✓ no units ✓ (must be stated)

(b) $\Delta H = (2 \times 33) - (9)$ ✓ = (+)57 kJ mol⁻¹ ✓ [2]

common errors: -57 ✓ x +24 ✓ x +75 ✓ x -24 x x [2]

(c) change more NO₂ / less N₂O₄ ✓

explanation equilibrium position → right or forwards / K_c increases ✓

reaction is endothermic ✓

THIS ANSWER IS CONSEQUENTIAL ON SIGN OF THE ANSWER TO (i)

BUT, a candidate interpreting a '+' enthalpy change as 'exothermic' (or vice versa) will lose the 3rd mark but the 2 'logic marks' before are still consequentially available.

(d) 1 mol N₂O₄ reacts with 2 mol NaOH ✓ [3]

amount of NaOH required = 0.00930 mol ✓

volume NaOH = 1000 × 0.0093 / 0.300 = 31.0 cm³ / 0.0310 dm³ ✓

Common errors

3.1 × 10^x (where x is incorrect) ✓ ✓ x

15.5 cm³ / 0.0155 dm³ ✓ ✓ x

62 cm³ / 0.062 dm³ ✓ ✓ x

1.55 × 10^x (where x is incorrect) ✓ x x

6.2 × 10^x (where x is incorrect) ✓ x x [3]

[Total: 11]