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- (c) Hydrogen reacts with iodine monochloride, ICl, to produce iodine and hydrogen chloride.



In an experiment, the following value for the initial rate was obtained.

<i>Iodine monochloride concentration / mol dm⁻³</i>	<i>Hydrogen concentration / mol dm⁻³</i>	<i>Initial rate of reaction / mol dm⁻³ s⁻¹</i>
1.60×10^{-3}	1.60×10^{-3}	6.40×10^{-7}

- (i) The reaction is first order for both hydrogen and iodine monochloride. Calculate the value of the rate constant, k , and state its units. [3]

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- (ii) Write a chemical equation showing a possible rate-determining step for this reaction. [1]

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- (iii) Write a further equation to show how the products shown in the overall equation are obtained from (ii). [1]

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(a) The thermal decomposition of ozone is shown in the equation below.



Kinetic studies have shown that the reaction is second order with respect to ozone.

(i) Write the rate equation for the reaction and use it to explain the term *order of reaction*. [2]

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(ii) The value of the rate constant at 298 K is $3.4 \times 10^{-5} \text{ dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$. If the concentration of ozone is $0.023 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$, calculate the rate of reaction at 298 K and state its units. [2]

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(iii) In the stratosphere, chlorine radicals act as catalysts and speed up the decomposition of ozone.

Explain how catalysts increase the rate of reaction. [2]

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(iv) Give **one** problem caused as a consequence of ozone depletion. [1]

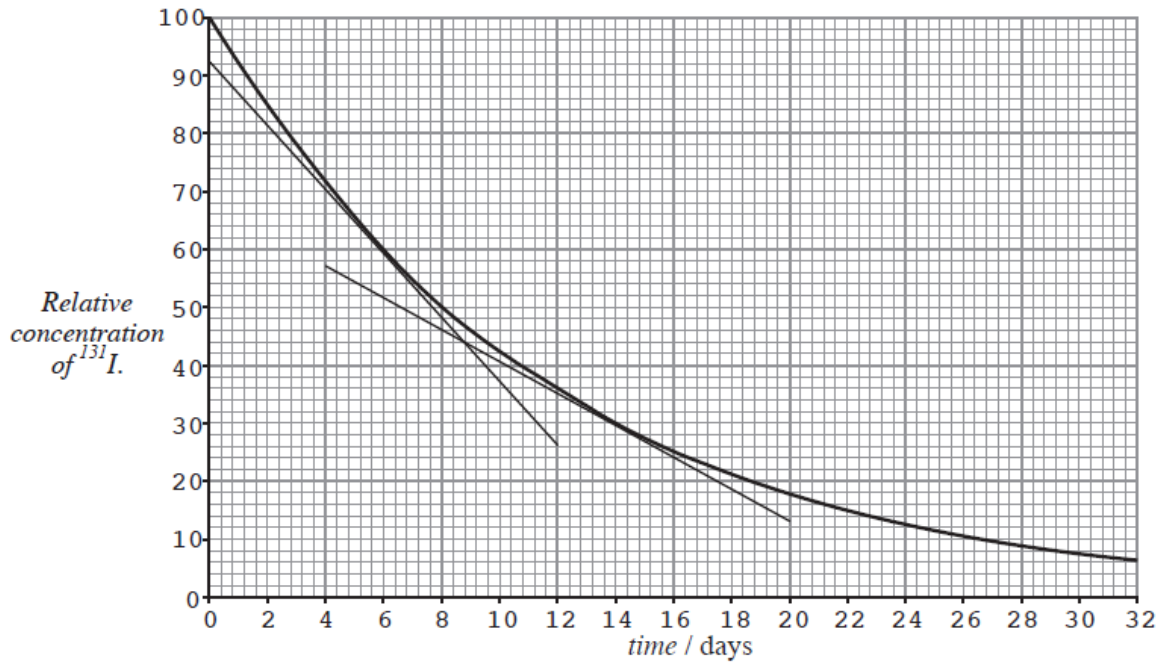
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(b) Radioactive decay shows first-order kinetics.

(i) The graph below shows the decay of a sample of radioactive iodine ^{131}I .



I. Use the graph to find the half-life of ^{131}I . [1]

II. Using the tangents drawn at relative concentrations of ^{131}I of 60 and 30, or otherwise, explain how the graph shows that the radioactive decay is first-order. [2]

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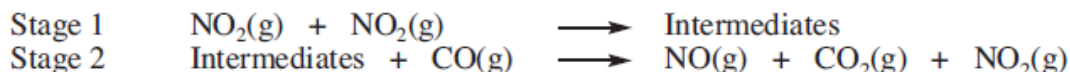
The gaseous reaction between carbon monoxide, CO, and nitrogen dioxide, NO₂, is shown by the equation below.



(a) At temperatures below 500 K, experiments have shown the rate equation to be given by

$$\text{Rate} = k [\text{NO}_2]^2$$

The mechanism can be represented as two stages, one of which is the *rate determining step*:



Explain the term *rate determining step* and, giving your reasoning, state which of the above two stages is the rate determining step in this reaction. [2]

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(b) At higher temperatures, the products are the same but the reaction proceeds by a different mechanism. Experiments at a temperature of 600 K produced the following results.

Initial Rate of Reaction / mol dm ⁻³ s ⁻¹	Initial Concentration NO ₂ [NO ₂] / mol dm ⁻³	Initial Concentration CO [CO] / mol dm ⁻³
1.12 × 10 ⁻⁴	0.050	0.050
2.24 × 10 ⁻⁴	0.050	0.100
4.48 × 10 ⁻⁴	0.100	0.100
8.96 × 10 ⁻⁴	0.100	0.200

(i) Determine the order of reaction with respect to NO₂ and the order with respect to CO and state the rate equation for this reaction at 600 K. [3]

NO₂ order CO order

Rate equation

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(ii) Calculate the value of the rate constant, k , at 600 K, and give its units. [2]

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(iii) Suggest a rate-determining step which fits the rate equation at 600 K. [1]

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