

A level Chemistry A

H432/01 Periodic table, elements and physical chemistry

Question Set 10

1. (a)* This question is about reaction rates.

Aqueous iron(III) ions, $Fe^{3+}(aq)$, react with aqueous iodide ions, $I^{-}(aq)$, as shown below.

$$2 \text{ Fe}^{3+}(aq) + 2I^{-}(aq) \longrightarrow 2\text{Fe}^{2+}(aq) + I_2(aq)$$

A student carries out three experiments to investigate how different concentrations of $Fe^{3+}(aq)and I^{-}(aq)$ affect the initial rate of this reaction. The results are shown below.

Experiment	[Fe ³⁺ (aq)] /moldm ⁻³	[I [_] (aq)] /mol.dm ^{_3}	Initial rate /moldm ⁻³ s ⁻¹
1	4.00 × 10 ⁻²	3.00 × 10 ^{−2}	8.10 × 10 ⁻⁴
2	8.00 × 10 ⁻²	3.00 × 10 ^{−2}	1.62 × 10 ^{−3}
3	4.00 × 10 ⁻²	6.00 × 10 ^{−2}	3.24 × 10 ^{−3}

Determine the rate constant and a possible two-step mechanism for this reaction that areconsistent with these results.

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(b) (i) A student carries out an investigation to find the activation energy, E_a , and the pre-exponential factor, A, of a reaction.

The student determines the rate constant, k, at different temperatures, T. The student then plots a graph of $\ln k$ against 1/T as shown below.



Draw a best-fit straight line and calculate the activation energy, in J mol $^{-1}$.Give your answer to **three** significant figures.

Show your working.

activation energy, $E_a = +$ J mol⁻¹

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(ii) Use the graph to calculate the value of the pre-exponential factor, *A*.

Show your working.

pre-exponential factor, A =		[2]
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Total Marks for Question Set 10: 11



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