

Which statement about the distribution curve of molecular energies in an ideal gas at a given temperature is correct?

- A

There are no molecules with zero energy.

☐
- B

The curve is symmetrical about the maximum.

☐
- C

Changing the temperature has no effect on the position of the maximum.

☐
- D

Most molecules have the mean energy.

☐

A

There are no molecules with zero energy.



A mixture of 2 dm^3 of hydrogen and 1 dm^3 of oxygen is at room temperature.

Which statement is correct?

- A** There is no reaction to form water because the molecules do not collide with sufficient energy. ☐
- B** There is no reaction to form water because the molecules do not collide with sufficient frequency. ☐
- C** The mean velocity of the hydrogen molecules is less than that of the oxygen molecules. ☐
- D** The partial pressure of each gas is the same. ☐

A

There is no reaction to form water because the molecules do not collide with sufficient energy.

Consider the change that occurs in the shape of the curve for the distribution of molecular energies in a gas when the temperature of the gas is increased.

Which is a correct statement about the gas molecules at a higher temperature?

- A There are more molecules with any given energy. ☐
- B There are more molecules with the mean energy. ☐
- C There are more molecules with the most probable energy. ☐
- D There is an increase in the most probable energy of the molecules. ☐

D

There is an increase in the most probable energy of the molecules.

Hydrogen peroxide solution decomposes to form water and oxygen.



The reaction is catalysed by manganese(IV) oxide.

A student determines the order of this reaction with respect to hydrogen peroxide. The student uses a continuous monitoring method in the experiment.

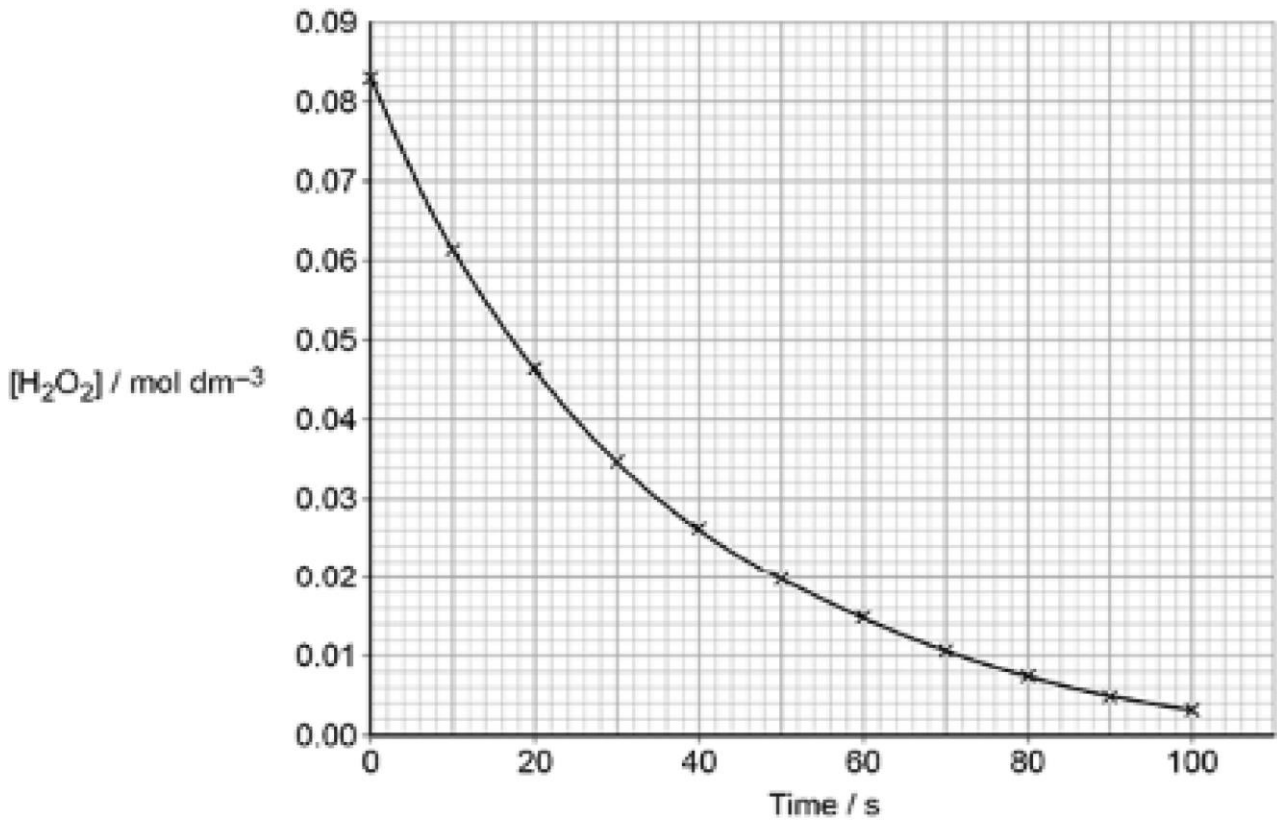
The student places hydrogen peroxide solution in a conical flask with the catalyst and uses a gas syringe to collect the oxygen formed. The student records the volume of oxygen every 10 seconds for 100 seconds.

(a) Explain why the reaction is fastest at the start.

(2)

(b) The graph in **Figure 1** shows how the concentration of hydrogen peroxide changes with time in this experiment.

Figure 1



Tangents to the curve in **Figure 1** can be used to determine rates of reaction.

Draw a tangent to the curve when the concentration of hydrogen peroxide solution is 0.05 mol dm⁻³

Use your tangent to calculate the gradient of the curve at this point.

Gradient _____ mol dm⁻³ s⁻¹

(2)

- (c) The concentration of hydrogen peroxide solution at time t during the experiment can be calculated using this expression.

$$[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2]_t = [\text{H}_2\text{O}_2]_{\text{initial}} \left(\frac{V_{\text{max}} - V_t}{V_{\text{max}}} \right)$$

$[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2]_t$ = concentration of hydrogen peroxide solution at time t / mol dm⁻³

$[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2]_{\text{initial}}$ = concentration of hydrogen peroxide solution at the start / mol dm⁻³

V_{max} = total volume of oxygen gas collected during the whole experiment / cm³

V_t = volume of oxygen gas collected at time t / cm³

In this experiment, $V_{\text{max}} = 100 \text{ cm}^3$

Use **Figure 1** and the expression to calculate $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2]_t$ when 20 cm³ of oxygen has been collected.

$[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2]_t$ _____ mol dm⁻³

(2)

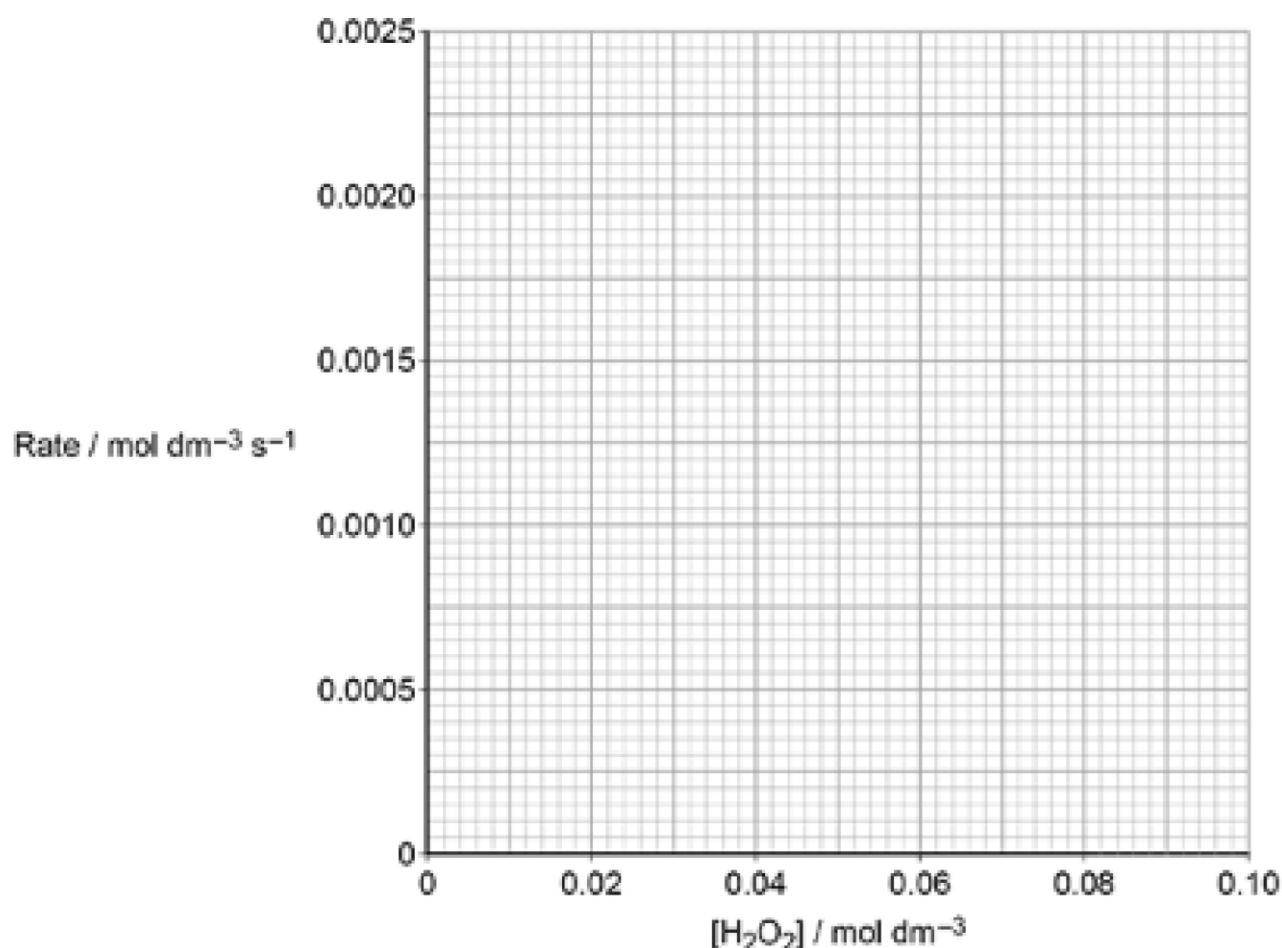
The table below shows data from a similar experiment.

$[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] / \text{mol dm}^{-3}$	0.02	0.03	0.05	0.07	0.09
Rate / $\text{mol dm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$	0.00049	0.00073	0.00124	0.00168	0.00219

(d) Plot the data from the table above on the grid in **Figure 2**.

Draw a line of best fit.

Figure 2



(2)

(e) Use **Figure 2** to determine the order of reaction with respect to H_2O_2

State how the graph shows this order.

Order _____

How the graph shows this order _____

(2)

(a) **M1** Higher/**est** concentration of / more H_2O_2 / particles / molecules / reactants

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M2 More frequent successful collisions

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Alternative approach

M1 Lower/**est** concentration of / fewer particles / molecules / reactants as time goes on

M2 Less frequent successful collisions (look for both ideas even if separated)

Ignore 'chance' / 'probability'

(b) **M1** Suitable tangent drawn

M1 Tangent must be drawn with ruler and touch line at 0.05 mol dm^{-3} (± 1 square) and not cross the curve (if white seen between lines it crosses)

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M2 -0.00120 to -0.00155 ($\text{mol dm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$)

M2 **Ignore** units

Allow ecf from unsuitable tangent i.e if M1 not awarded

Ignore sign of gradient

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(c) **M1** $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2]_{\text{initial}} = 0.083 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

Allow $0.082 - 0.084$

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M2 $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2]_t = 0.0664 \text{ (mol dm}^{-3}\text{)}$

Allow $0.0656 - 0.0672$ (scores 2/2)

2SF minimum

Allow ecf from **M1** ($M2 = M1 \times 0.8$)

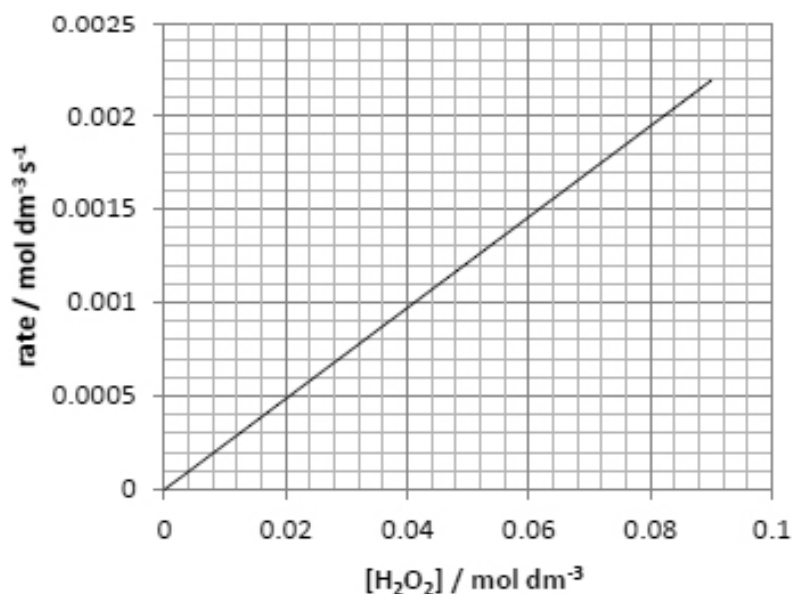
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(d) **M1** Points plotted

M1 allow each point ($\pm 1/2$ square)

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M2 best fit straight line drawn



M2 line should be drawn with a ruler and cover the five points given going within 1 square of each point, no doubles no kinks. The line does not need to be extended to the origin

Allow reasonable best fit line if points plotted incorrectly

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(e) **M1** 1st order

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M2 straight line graph through the origin

Ignore rate is (directly) proportional to $[H_2O_2]$

Allow constant gradient line through the origin

Allow use of data from line to show e.g. $\times 2$ conc = $\times 2$ rate

Allow if M1 missing

Not if M1 wrong

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Which statement about catalysts used in reactions at equilibrium, at a constant temperature, is correct?

- A** They are always used in the solid state. ☐
- B** They increase the rate of the forward reaction but decrease the rate of the reverse reaction. ☐
- C** They have no effect on the value of the equilibrium constant. ☐
- D** They make the forward reaction more exothermic. ☐

C

They have no effect on the value of the equilibrium constant.

The rate of reaction is greater when a catalyst is used, without changing the temperature.

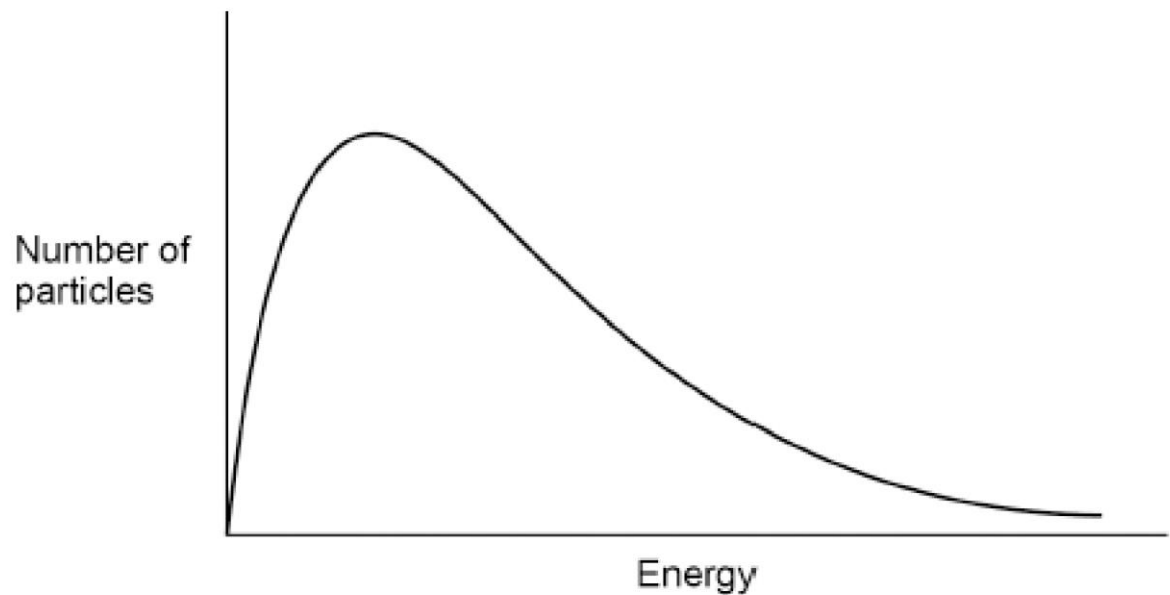
Which statement explains why the rate of reaction is greater with a catalyst?

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| A | The collision frequency increases because the catalysed reaction has a lower activation energy. | <input type="radio"/> |
| B | The collision frequency increases because there is an increase in the average energy of the particles. | <input type="radio"/> |
| C | The proportion of successful collisions increases because the catalysed reaction has a lower activation energy. | <input type="radio"/> |
| D | The proportion of successful collisions increases because there is an increase in the average energy of the particles. | <input type="radio"/> |

C

The proportion of successful collisions increases because the catalysed reaction has a lower activation energy.

This is a Maxwell–Boltzmann distribution for a gaseous reactant.



What is represented by the total area under the curve?

- A** total energy of the particles ☐
- B** activation energy for the reaction ☐
- C** total number of reacting particles ☐
- D** total number of particles present ☐

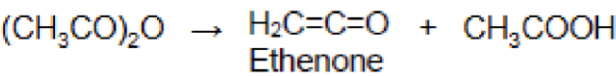
D

total number of particles present

This question is about ethanoic anhydride.

In the gas phase, ethanoic anhydride (CH₃CO)₂O decomposes to form ethenone.

The equation is

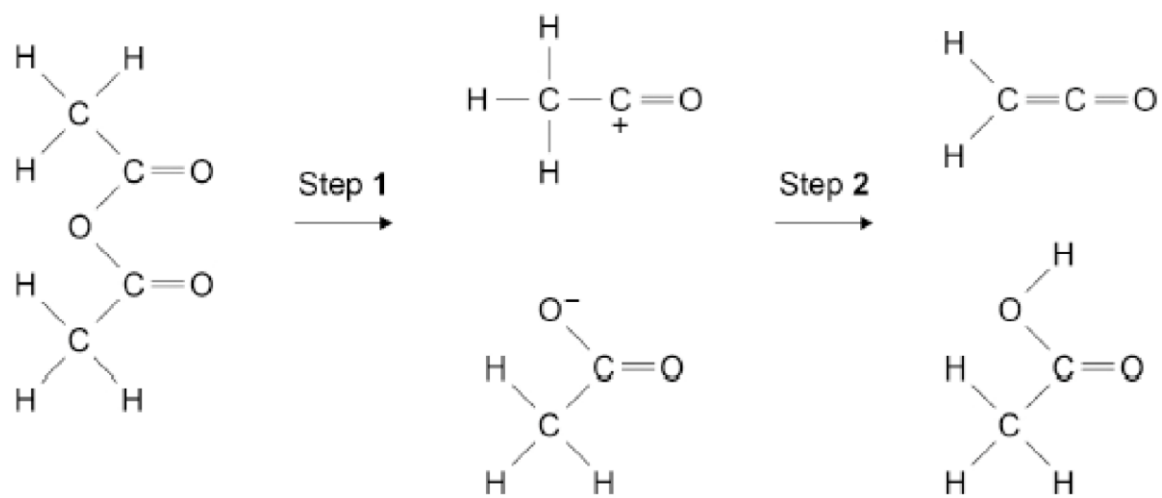


- (a) Ethenone is the simplest member of the ketene homologous series.
Ketenes all contain one C=C double bond and one C=O double bond.

Deduce the general formula for the ketene homologous series.

(1)

- (b) The figure below shows an incomplete suggested mechanism for the decomposition of ethanoic anhydride.



T_1 _____ K

(3)

- (d) Sketch the Maxwell–Boltzmann distribution of molecular energies for gaseous ethanoic anhydride at temperature T_1 and at a higher temperature T_2

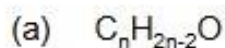
Include a label for each axis, and mark on the appropriate axis a typical position for the activation energy.

Explain why the rate of reaction is faster at T_2



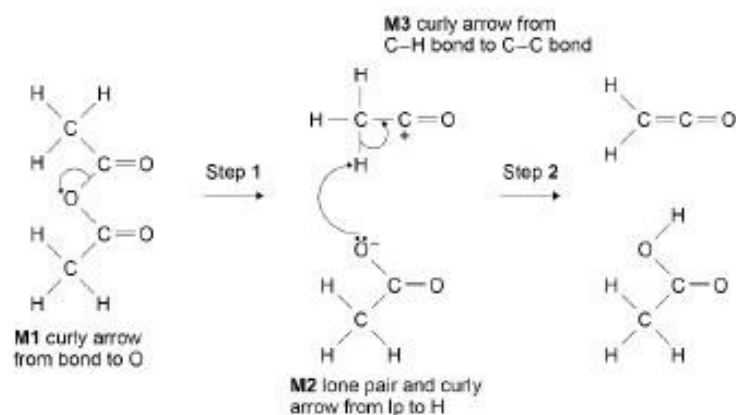
Explanation

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Allow $C_nH_{2n}CO$ or $(CH_2)_nCO$ or $C_nH_{2(n-1)}O$

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(b)



Allow other C-O bond breaking for M1

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(c) $M1 \frac{k}{A} = e^{-E_a/RT}$

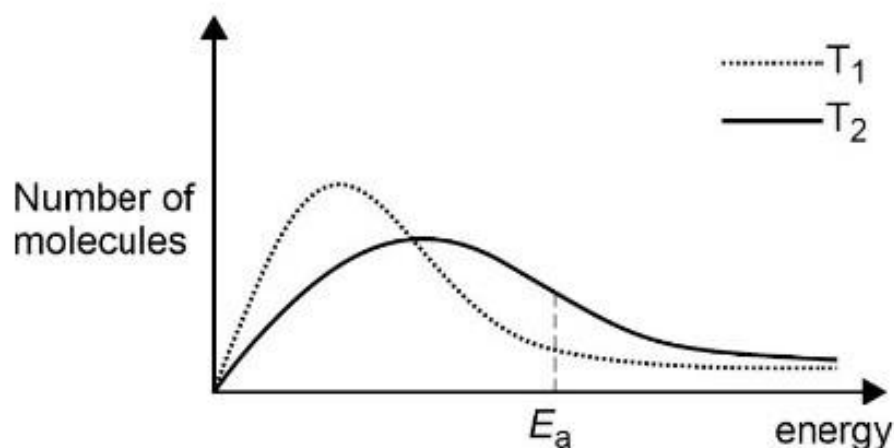
$$M2 \ 8.302 = \frac{34500}{8.31 \times T}$$

$$M3 \ T = 500 \text{ K}$$

OR via $\ln k = \ln A - \frac{E_a}{RT}$ or shown with numbers

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(d)

M5 At T_2 (many) more particles have $E \geq E_a$

M1 x axis labelled correctly (kinetic not required)

AND y axis labelled correctly allow particles

M2 E_a labelled on x axisM3 Distribution correct shape for T_1 M4 Peak at T_2 lower with max shifted right and only crosses once

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This question is about rates of reaction.

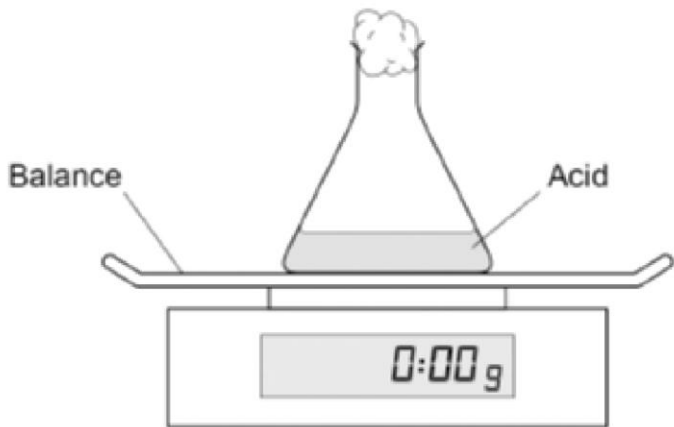
Figure 1 shows apparatus used to measure the rate of reaction when an acid reacts with an excess of solid sodium hydrogencarbonate, NaHCO_3

When different monoprotic organic acids are used, the rates at which gas escapes can be used to compare the strengths of the acids.

A timer is started when the NaHCO_3 is added to the acid and the mass of CO_2 gas lost is recorded at regular intervals.

(It is assumed that any change in mass is due to the loss of CO_2)

Figure 1

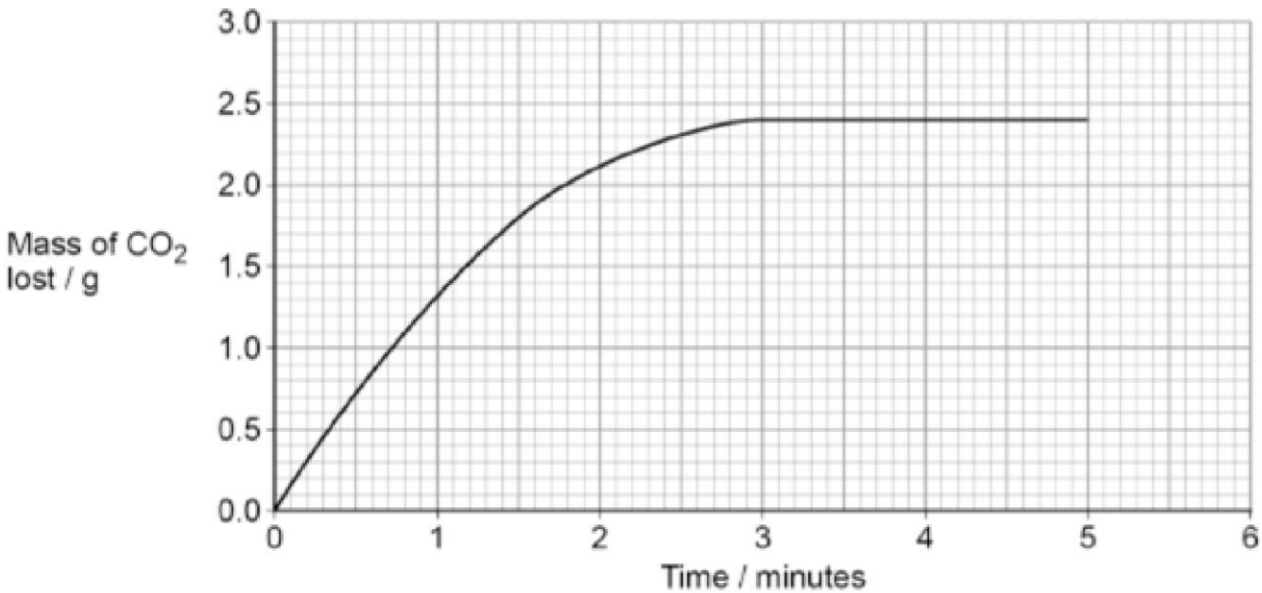


- (a) Suggest a reason why using a conical flask instead of a beaker would give more accurate results in this experiment.

(1)

Figure 2 shows the results of this experiment when 25.0 cm^3 of a 2.23 mol dm^{-3} solution of ethanoic acid reacts with an excess of NaHCO_3

Figure 2



- (b) Use **Figure 2** to calculate the rate of reaction at 2 minutes.

Deduce the units of your calculated rate.

Rate _____ Units _____

(3)

- (c) Chloroethanoic acid is a stronger acid than ethanoic acid.

Sketch, on **Figure 2**, the curve you would expect when 25.0 cm^3 of a 2.23 mol dm^{-3} solution of chloroethanoic acid reacts with an excess of NaHCO_3

Suggest why chloroethanoic acid is a stronger acid than ethanoic acid.

(3)

- (a) Reduces loss of liquid droplets

Allow description of reduction of loss of liquid

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- (b) M1 Tangent drawn at 2 mins

M2 Gradient of tangent = (0.50 ± 0.05)

M3 g min^{-1}

Conseq to their M1

If convert mins to sec $M2 = 7.80 \times 10^{-3}$ (7.0×10^{-3} to 8.6×10^{-3}) and award M3 conseq

If M1 not awarded then allow average rate calculated $M2 = 1.05$

If M1 not awarded then allow average rate and if 120 sec used for time allow $M2 = 0.0175$ and can score M3 for g s^{-1}

Penalise g/min

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- (c) M1 Curve steeper at first & flattens at same point on y axis

M2 Cl is an electron withdrawing group or negative inductive effect

M3 Weakens the O-H bond / increase polarity of O-H bond

Allow opposite argument

M2 CH_3 electron donating or positive inductive effect

M3 Makes O-H bond stronger / decrease polarity of O-H bond

Also allow answers that discuss the carboxylate ion

M2 Cl Electron withdrawing group

M3 makes RCOO^- less negative / delocalises the negative charge more / more stable ion (so RCOO^- less likely to accept H^+)

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