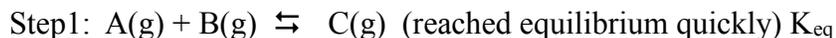


**Key :**

1. Consider a reaction obeying the overall stoichiometry:  $2 \text{A}(\text{g}) + \text{B}(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{D}(\text{g})$   
Proposed mechanism is:



Write the rate law for this reaction: **rate =  $k_2 \cdot K \cdot [\text{A}]^2 [\text{B}]$**

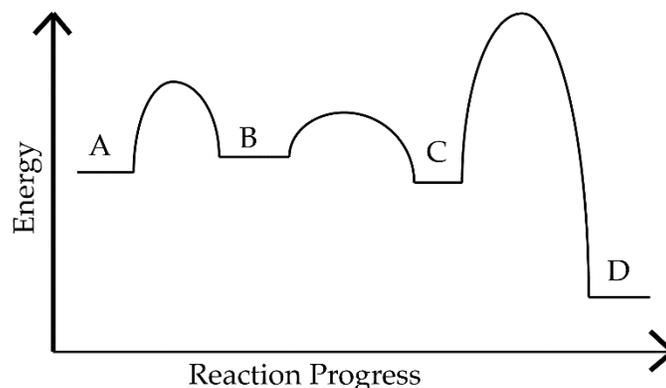
2. Consider the reaction progress diagram below for  $\text{A} \rightleftharpoons \text{D}$ . Circle the reaction step below that corresponds to the rate limiting step (i.e. rate determining step).

a.

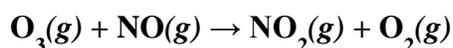


- b. Is the  $\text{A} \rightleftharpoons \text{D}$  reaction endothermic or **exothermic**?

- c. Which step is an endothermic reaction?  $\text{A} \rightleftharpoons \text{B}$

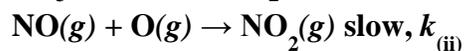
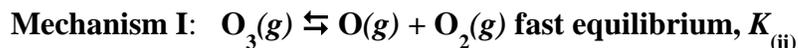


3. The net reaction of atmospheric ozone with nitric oxide and its rate law are:



$$\text{reaction rate} = k[\text{O}_3(\text{g})][\text{NO}(\text{g})] \text{ (from an experiment)}$$

**Two pathways proposed for this reaction are:**

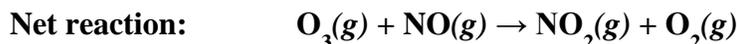
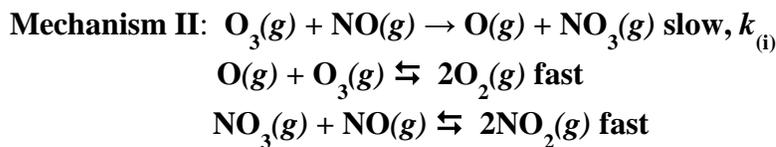


Which step is the rate-determining step (RDS)? Why? **Step 2, because it is the slowest**

Write the rate law for the RDS: **Rate =  $k_1 (\text{NO})(\text{O})$**

What is the rate law for the overall reaction that is predicted by this mechanism (remove intermediates)?  $\text{Rate} = k_1 K_1 \frac{(\text{NO})(\text{O}_3)}{(\text{O}_2)}$

Sketch the reaction progress diagram for **Mechanism 1** (assuming that reaction is exothermic):



Which step is the rate determining step (RDS)? **first step because slow**

Write the rate law for the RDS: **rate =  $k_2(\text{O}_3)(\text{NO})$**

What is the rate law for the overall reaction predicted by this mechanism? How does this compare to the rate law determined with RDS? Is it different, why/why not?

**rate =  $k_2(\text{O}_3)(\text{NO})$**

Sketch the reaction progress diagram for **Mechanism 2** (assuming that reaction is exothermic):

Which mechanism 1 or 2 is best supported by an experiment? **Mechanism 2 matches the experimental rate law.**

4. The following reaction (elementary step) has a favored frequency factor  $A_F = 5 \times 10^6/\text{m}\cdot\text{sec}$ . Forward and reverse activation energies are 80 kJ/mol and 60. kJ/mol, respectively. Assume  $T=300\text{K}$ .



- a. What is  $\Delta H^\circ$  of the reaction?

$$\Delta H^\circ_{\text{rxn}} = E_{\text{a}(\text{forward})} - E_{\text{a}(\text{reverse})} = 80 \text{ kJ/mol} - 60 \text{ kJ/mol} = 20 \text{ kJ/mol} \quad \text{Endothermic}$$

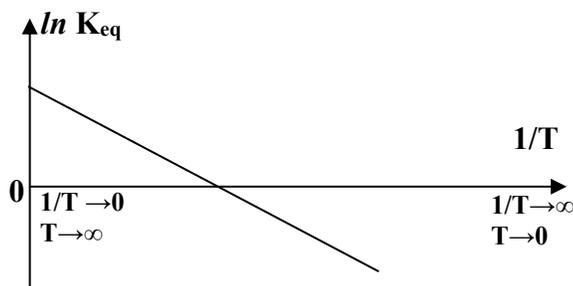
- b. If the reverse frequency factor is 5 times smaller than the forward frequency factor, what is  $\Delta S^\circ$  of the reaction?

$$\Delta S^\circ_{\text{rxn}} = R \ln \frac{A_f}{A_r} = 2.3 \log \frac{A_f}{A_r} = 8.314 (\text{J/molK}) * 2.3 * \log 5 = 13.38 \text{ J/molK} = 13.4$$

- c. Draw the line on the graph of  $\ln K_{eq}$  versus  $1/T$  for this reaction? And answer the following questions using two expressions below (Hint:  $y=mx+b$ ):

$$\ln K_{eq} = \frac{-\Delta H_{rxn}^{\circ}}{R} \cdot \frac{1}{T} + \frac{\Delta S_{rxn}^{\circ}}{R}$$

$$\ln \frac{k_f}{k_r} = \frac{-(E_a(f) - E_a(r))}{R} \cdot \frac{1}{T} + \ln \frac{A_f}{A_r}$$



- d. Discuss which one of the following is true for this reaction and at what temperatures:

- $k_f < k_r$  at low T
- $k_f = k_r$  at  $T = T_{eq}$
- **$k_f > k_r$  at high T**

- e. Decide which one of the following is true for this reaction you drew and at what temperatures:

- $A_f < A_r$
- **$A_f > A_r$  independent of temperature**
- $A_f = A_r$

- f. Are  $E_a$  and the Arrhenius factor temperature-dependent? No

5. Consider the following exothermic reaction:



If the temperature is increased, what will happen to each of the quantities below?

$E_a(\text{forward})$	<i>increase</i>	<i>decrease</i>	<b><u>stay the same</u></b>
K	<i>increase</i>	<b><u>decrease</u></b>	<i>stay the same</i>
$k_f$	<b><u>increase</u></b>	<i>decrease</i>	<i>stay the same</i>
$k_r$	<b><u>increase</u></b>	<i>decrease</i>	<i>stay the same</i>
A(reverse)	<i>increase</i>	<i>decrease</i>	<b><u>stay the same</u></b>
Order of the reaction:	<i>increase</i>	<i>decrease</i>	<b><u>stay the same</u></b>
Rate of the revers reaction:	<b><u>increase</u></b>	<i>decrease</i>	<i>stay the same</i>
Rate of the forward reaction:	<b><u>increase</u></b>	<i>decrease</i>	<i>stay the same</i>

Which rate constant will increase more with temperature for this reaction?  $k_f$  or  **$k_r$**

6. A first order reaction is 75% complete after 100 seconds. Calculate the rate constant  $k$  and  $t_{1/2}$  for this reaction.

Means 25% remains 2 half lifes  $t_{1/2} = t/2 = 50s$

$$2.3 \log(25/100) = -kt$$

$$k = 13.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ 1/s} \quad \text{Or } t_{1/2} = 0.693/k = 0.693/13.8 \times 10^{-3} = 50 \text{ s}$$

7. The half-life of a radioactive isotope is 11 days. How long does it take for the isotope to decay **by** 10%? ( 1.7 days)

$$\frac{N_n}{N_0} = \frac{90}{100} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n; \quad \log(N_{\text{fin}}/N_{\text{in}}) = n \log(1/2); \quad n = 0.15; \quad t = t_{1/2} \cdot n = 1.7 \text{ days}$$

8. Bromophenol blue decomposes by a first-order process with a half-life of 33 minutes. What fraction remains after 75 minutes?

$$n = 75/33 = 2.2727$$

$$\frac{A_t}{A_0} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2.27}; \quad \log(A_t/A_0) = 2.2727 \log(1/2); \quad A_t/A_0 = 0.2069 \quad \text{or } 21\%$$

9. A certain flu virus can be thermally decomposed in humans in 6.0 days at normal body temperature, 37 °C. If a person has a fever, with temperature of 41 °C, the same virus can be decomposed in 2.0 days. What is the activation energy of the virus decomposition reaction? Express your answer in kJ/mol, to one significant figure.

**k=1/time**

$$\ln\left(\frac{k_{310}}{k_{314}}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{Ae^{-E_a/R \cdot 310}}{Ae^{-E_a/R \cdot 314}}\right) = -\frac{E_a}{R} \left(\frac{1}{310} - \frac{1}{314}\right)$$

$$\ln(1/3) = -\frac{E_a}{R} \left(\frac{1}{310} - \frac{1}{314}\right) \quad E_a = 222 \text{ kJ}$$

10. The following reaction  $k_1$  (at  $T_1 = 350\text{K}$ ) =  $9.4 \times 10^{-6}$  (1/s) and  $k_2$  (at  $T_2 = 400\text{K}$ ) =  $6.9 \times 10^{-4}$  (1/s)

- a. What is the overall rate order of the reaction? **1st order** (Hint :look at the units of  $k$ )
- b. Write an expression to solve for activation energy of the forward reaction that does not include Arrhenius factor. **What is  $E_a$  of the forward reaction?**

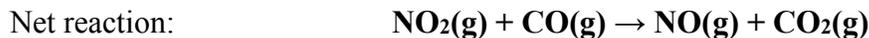
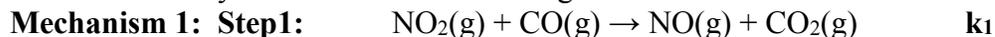
$$\frac{k_1}{k_2} = \frac{Ae^{-\frac{E_A}{RT_1}}}{Ae^{-\frac{E_A}{RT_2}}}; \quad \ln \frac{k_1}{k_2} = \frac{E_A}{R} \left(\frac{1}{T_2} - \frac{1}{T_1}\right) = \frac{E_A}{R} \left(\frac{T_1 - T_2}{T_1 T_2}\right)$$

$$E_A = \ln \frac{k_1}{k_2} \cdot R T_1 T_2 / (T_1 - T_2) = 100 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

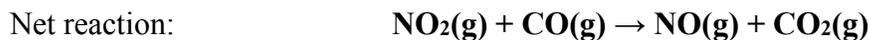
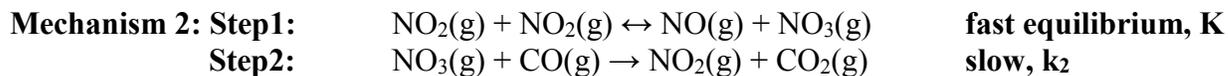
- c. Write an expression to calculate Arrhenius factor of the forward reaction. **What is  $A_f$  of the forward reaction?**

$$A = \frac{k_1}{e^{-\frac{E_A}{RT_1}}} = 7.9 \times 10^9 \text{ 1/s}$$

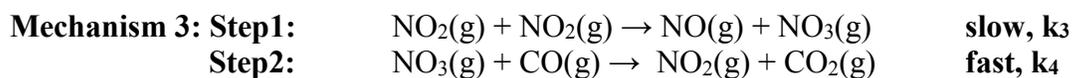
11. Possible Pathways for the reaction of Nitrogen Dioxide with Carbon Monoxide:



What is the rate law predicted by this mechanism? **Rate =  $k_1[\text{NO}_2][\text{CO}]$**



What is the rate law predicted by this mechanism? **Rate =  $\frac{k_2 K [\text{NO}_2]^2 [\text{CO}]}{[\text{NO}]}$**

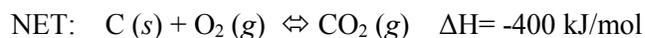
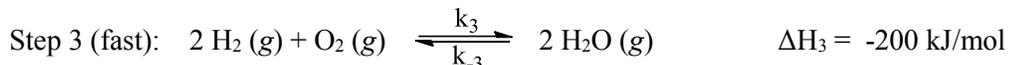
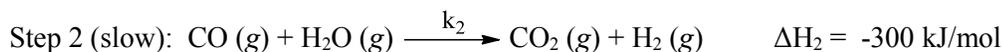
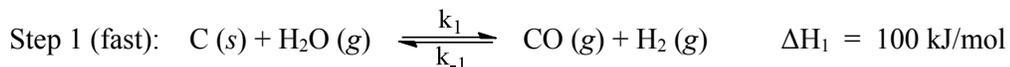


What is the rate law predicted by this mechanism? **Rate =  $k_3[\text{NO}_2]^2$**

**Propose how you could experimentally distinguish between mechanism 1, 2 and 3.**

**Double concentration of  $\text{NO}_2$ ; Double concentration of  $\text{NO}$ ; Double concentration of  $\text{CO}$**

12. Below are the proposed elementary steps and enthalpies for the mechanism of burning coal, C (s).



- a. Identify each of the following molecules as either a reactant, product, intermediate, or catalyst for the net reaction.

C (s): reactant       $\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g})$ : \_ catalyst       $\text{CO}(\text{g})$ : intermediate

$\text{H}_2(\text{g})$ : intermediate       $\text{O}_2(\text{g})$ : reactant       $\text{CO}_2(\text{g})$ : product

- b. Write the rate law for the reaction corresponding to the mechanism above.

$$\text{Rate} = k_2 \cdot \frac{k_1}{k_{-1}} \sqrt{\frac{k_3}{k_{-3}}} \cdot [H_2O] \cdot [O_2]^{1/2}$$

- c. Sketch the reaction progress profile with appropriate relative energies.

13. The first order reaction is 20% complete after 100 seconds. What is rate constant  $k$  and  $t_{1/2}$  for this reaction?

$$\frac{N_n}{N_0} = \frac{80}{100} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n; \quad n = 0.3219 = 0.3; \quad t_{1/2} = t/n = 310.6 \text{ s} = 300 \text{ s}; \quad k = \frac{0.693}{t_{1/2}} = 2.2 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ 1/s}$$

14. Metastable thallium-201 decays with a half-life of 48 hr by  $\gamma$  emission to stable thallium-201. The detected  $\gamma$  radiation is used to diagnose heart function. What fraction of metastable thallium-201 *remains* after 24 hr?

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{t_{\text{passed}}}{n} = 48; \quad n = 0.5$$

$$\frac{N_n}{N_0} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{1/2} \quad \log(N_{\text{in}}/N_{\text{final}}) = 1/2 \log(1/2) = -0.15; \quad \frac{N_n}{N_0} = 10^{-0.15} = 0.71$$

15. A first order reaction is 75% complete after 100. seconds. Calculate the rate constant  $k$  and  $t_{1/2}$  for this reaction.

Means 25% remains 2 half lifes  $t_{1/2} = t/2 = 50 \text{ s}$

$$\ln \frac{25}{100} = -kt$$

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16. The half-life of a radioactive isotope is 11 days. How long does it take for the isotope to decay **by** 10%? ( 1.5 days)

$$\frac{N_n}{N_0} = \frac{90}{100} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$$

17. A sample decays 25% in 15 minutes. What is the half-life of this first-order process?

$$\frac{N_n}{N_0} = \frac{75}{100} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \quad n = 0.415 \quad \text{half-life} = 15 \text{ min} / 0.415 = 36 \text{ min}$$

18. A first order reaction is 40% complete in 120s. What are the values of  $k$  and  $t_{1/2}$ ?

$$\frac{A_t}{A_0} = \frac{60}{100} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \quad n = 0.74 \quad t_{1/2} = 120/n = 163 \text{ s} \quad k = \ln 2 / t_{1/2} = 4.26 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ 1/s}$$