

where $C_2H_6^*$ is the reaction intermediate. Use the steady state approximation to show that the rate of ethane production may be written as

$$\frac{d[C_2H_6]}{dt} = \frac{k_1 k_2 [CH_3]^2 [N_2]}{k_{-1} + k_2 [N_2]}$$

- (c) Define quantum efficiency. What are the reasons for low and high quantum efficiency of a photochemical reaction? (5)

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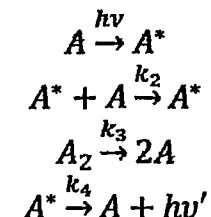
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1. (a) Give one word for : (5)
- The minimum amount of energy required for a chemical reaction to occur
 - The branch of chemistry that studies the rates of chemical reactions
 - Equation that explains the temperature dependence of the rate of a chemical reaction
 - The law which relates the speed of the reaction to the product of concentration of the reactants raised to power of their respective stoichiometric coefficients
 - The slowest elementary process involved in the mechanism of a reaction
- (b) What is half-life of a reaction? Derive the expression for the half-life of a first order reaction. (5)
- (c) What is the difference between photophysical and photochemical processes? Give examples of both. (5)

- (c) The mechanism of photochemical dimerization of anthracene is given as;

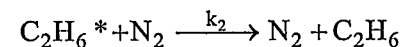
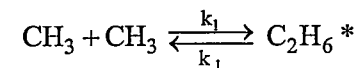


Derive the expression for rate of formation of the dimer. (5)

6. (a) Explain the difference between the instantaneous and the average rate of a reaction.

For the reaction $A \rightarrow B$, the concentration of the reactant changes from 0.03 M to 0.02 M in 25 min. Calculate the average rate of reaction in S.I. units. (5)

- (b) The recombination of methyl radicals in nitrogen gas proceeds via the mechanism (5)



5. (a) Match the statements given in column I and column II (5)

	Column I		Column II
(a)	A catalyst alters the rate of reaction	(i)	cannot be a fraction or zero
(b)	Molecularity	(ii)	orientation is not proper
(c)	Second half-life of a first order reaction	(iii)	by lowering the activation energy
(d)	Arrhenius equation	(iv)	is same as the first
(e)	Energetically favourable reactions are sometimes slow	(v)	refers to the fraction of molecules with energy equal to or greater than the activation energy

- (b) The rate of a reaction quadruples when the temperature changes from 293K to 313K. Calculate the energy of activation of the reaction if it does not change with temperature. (5)

2. (a) For a certain reaction $A \rightarrow \text{Prod}$, a straight-line plot is obtained between $\frac{1}{[A]_t}$ vs t. (5)

- What does the slope and the intercept of this plot represent?
 - What is the order of this reaction?
 - What are the units for its rate constant?
 - Write the expression for the half-life of this reaction.
 - Calculate the rate constant for this reaction is the initial concentration of A is $4.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$ and its half-life is $2.5 \times 10^4 \text{ s}$.
- (b) Describe the ratio variation method and the graphical method of determination of order of a reaction. (5)
- (c) What are primary and secondary photochemical processes? Which out of the two follows the law of photochemical equivalence? Which process is responsible for low or high quantum efficiency of the photochemical reactions? (5)

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3. (a) For a first order reaction, show that the time required for 99% completion is twice the time required for 90% completion of the reaction.

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- (b) Write the Arrhenius equation. How will the value of rate constant change when;

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- (i) activation energy becomes exceptionally large,
- (ii) activation energy becomes very small,
- (iii) activation energy is zero,
- (iv) temperature is extremely high.

- (c) Explain two of the following terms.

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- (i) Inter system crossing
- (ii) photostationary state
- (iii) quenching of fluorescence

4. (a) Write a short note on activated complex theory for bimolecular reactions. How does it compare with the collision theory?

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- (b) State true or false :

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- (i) A catalyst does not take part in a chemical reaction and so cannot appear in the rate law.
- (ii) Activation energy of a reaction can never be zero.
- (iii) Chlorophyll acts as a photosensitizer in photosynthesis.
- (iv) For an exothermic reaction, the rate of reaction decreases with increase in temperature.
- (v) Chemical kinetics study cannot help determine the mechanism of any reaction.

- (c) Explain the photophysical phenomenon of fluorescence and phosphorescence with the help of the Jablonski Diagram.

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