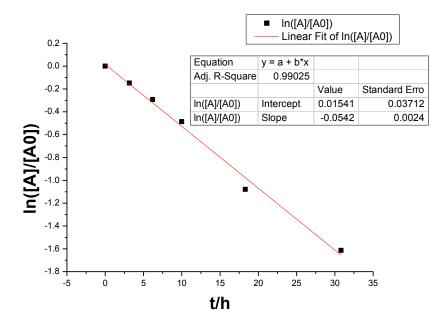
21.2 Answers:

Assuming that the reaction is a first-order reaction in terms of (CH₃)₃CBr, we can get the rate equation:

$$\ln\frac{[A]}{[A]_0} = -kt \tag{1}$$

considering the data offered by the question, we can get:



From the figure, the relative coefficient is 0.99. So we the curve is linear. As a result, we know that the assumption is correct, that is, the reaction is a *first-order reaction* in terms of (CH₃)₃CBr. According to the figure above, the rate equation is:

$$\ln\frac{[A]}{[A]_0} = -0.0542t + 0.01541$$

the rate constant k is 0.0542/h;

if t = 43.8h, then we get [A] = 0.9824E-2 mol/L.

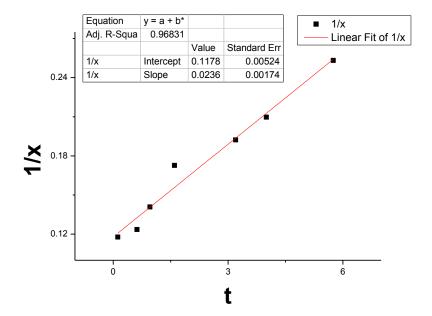
21.8 Answers:

It is reasonable that give the assumption of a second-order reaction in terms of ClO, so the rate equation is:

$$\frac{1}{x} = kt + \frac{1}{x_0} \tag{2}$$

in which x means the concentration of ClO.

According to the data offered by the question, we get the following figure:



the relative coefficient is 0.968, which means we can regard the ClO decay as a second-order reaction. Based on the linear fitting, the rate equation is :

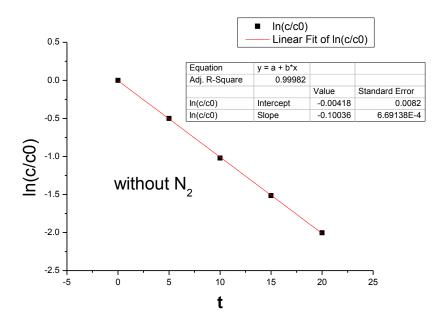
$$\frac{1}{x} = 0.0236t + 0.1178$$

So the rate constant of the reaction is k = 2.36E7 L/(mol s) (considering the unit); the $1/x_0 = 0.1178$, so at half-life, $1/x = 2/x_0 = 0.2356$. finally we can get the half-life is: $t_{1/2} = 4.991E-3s$.

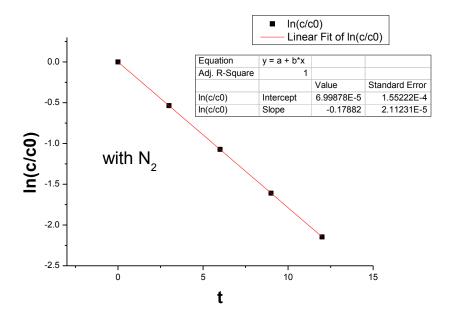
21.20 Answers:

The decay of the relative fluorescence intensity of Hg(g) is a first-order reaction.

Without N_2 , we can get:



the rate constant for the energy transfer process is equal to 0.1003/us; with N_2 , similarly we can get:



and the rate constant is 0.1778/us.

21.28 Answers:

In fact: for the nth-order reaction, the rate equation is:

$$\frac{1}{c_0^{n-1}} - \frac{1}{c^{n-1}} = (1-n)kt \quad (n \neq 1)$$
 (3)

if c = 1/2 c_0 , then we can get:

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{1 - 2^{n-1}}{(1 - n)kc_0^{n-1}};$$

if c = 3/4 c_0 , then we can get:

$$t_{3/4} = \frac{1 - (\frac{4}{3})^{n-1}}{(1-n)kc_0^{n-1}}$$

finally, we can get:

$$t_{1/2} / t_{3/4} = \frac{1 - 2^{n-1}}{1 - (\frac{4}{3})^{n-1}}$$

Obviously, the result is a function of n alone;

Besides, if n=1, we know that the reaction is a first-order reaction, then $t_{1/2}/t_{3/4}=1/2$, which can be regarded as a function of "1".

So from the $t_{1/2}/t_{3/4}$, we can know the order of a reaction.

21.29 Answers:

for the consecutive reaction:

$$A \xrightarrow[k_{-1}]{k_1} B \xrightarrow[k_{-2}]{k_2} C \xrightarrow[k_{-3}]{k_3} D$$

for B,
$$\frac{dB}{dt} = r_2 = k_1[A] - k_{-1}[B] - k_2[B] + k_{-2}[B]$$

for C,
$$\frac{dC}{dt} = r_3 = k_2[B] - k_{-2}[C] - k_3[C] + k_{-3}[D]$$

Because the product D is removed from the system as soon as it is formed, we can get:

$$r_3 = k_2[B] - k_{-2}[C] - k_3[C]$$

If the system is steady, $r_2=r_3=0$. Then we can get:

$$[B] = \frac{k_1(k_{-2} + k_3)[A]}{k_{-1}k_{-2} + k_{-1}k_3 + k_2k_3}$$
$$[C] = \frac{k_1k_2[A]}{k_{-1}k_{-2} + k_{-1}k_3 + k_2k_3}$$

finally, we can get: $\frac{[B]}{[C]} = \frac{k_2}{k_{-2} + k_3}$

21.30 Answers:

at the equilibrium for the reaction:

$$2A \xrightarrow{k_r} A_2$$

the reaction rate is 0, so

$$k_r[A]_e^2 = k_r[A_2]_e$$

at the moment, there is a disturbance $[A_2]_e + \Delta x$, as a result, we can get:

$$\frac{d[A_2]}{dt} = \frac{d\Delta x}{dt} = k_r ([A]_e - 2\Delta x)^2 - k_r ([A_2]_e + \Delta x)$$

$$= k_r ([A]_e^2 - 2[A]_e \Delta x) - k_r ([A_2]_e + \Delta x) \quad (ingorethe \Delta x^2)$$

$$= -(4k_r [A]_e + k_r) \Delta x$$

then we can get:

$$\ln \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta x_0} = -(4k_r[A]_e + k_r)t$$

finally we get:

$$\tau = \frac{1}{4k_r[A]_e + k_r}$$