Problem 1.

Estimate how close an $\mathrm{H_3O^+}$ ion and a hydrated electron must be to interact

Solution

$$\begin{split} R_e &= 2.1 \, \text{Å} \\ R_{\text{H}_3\text{O}^+} &= 0.3 \, \text{Å} \\ R_{rxn} &= R_e + R_{\text{H}_3\text{O}^+} \\ &= 2.4 \, \text{Å} \end{split}$$

Problem 2.

A $50\,\mathrm{cm^3}$ sample of water is given a dose of $50\,\mathrm{mGy}$ from $10\,\mathrm{keV}$ electrons. If the yield of $\mathrm{H_2O_2}$ is G=1.81 per $100\,\mathrm{eV}$, how many molecules of $\mathrm{H_2O_2}$ are produced in the sample?

Solution

$$\frac{50\,\mathrm{J}}{1\times10^3\,\mathrm{kg}}\times50\,\mathrm{cm}^3\times\frac{1\,\mathrm{gH_2O}}{1\,\mathrm{cm}^3\mathrm{H_2O}}\times\frac{1\,\mathrm{kg}}{1\times10^3\,\mathrm{g}}\times\frac{1\,\mathrm{eV}}{1.6\times10^{-19}\,\mathrm{J}}$$
$$=2.82\times10^{14}$$

Problem 3.

During the chemical stage of radiolysis of water, what is the only chemical reaction to add reactivity to the system?

Solution

$$\mathrm{H_3O^+} + \mathrm{e_{aq}^-} \rightarrow \mathrm{H_2O} + \bullet \mathrm{H}$$

Problem 4.

During what phase of the cell cycle is the genetic material replicated?

Solution

Interphase