3 **(a)** Solid manganese(IV) oxide, MnO_2, catalyses the decomposition of hydrogen peroxide.

$$2H_2O_2(aq) \rightarrow 2H_2O(l) + O_2(g)$$

State the type of catalysis for this reaction. Explain your answer.

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(b) Hydrogen peroxide reacts with iodide ions in acidic conditions as shown.

$$H_2O_2 + 2I^- + 2H^+ \rightarrow 2H_2O + I_2$$

The initial rate of this reaction is investigated with different concentrations of H_2O_2, I^- and H^+. The results obtained are shown in Table 3.1.

Table 3.1

experiment	$[H_2O_2]$ / mol dm^{-3}	$[I^-]$ / mol dm^{-3}	$[H^+]$ / mol dm^{-3}	initial rate / mol dm^{-3} s^{-1}
1	0.0450	0.0300	0.0125	2.42×10^{-3}
2	0.0225	0.0600	0.0125	2.42×10^{-3}
3	0.0225	0.120	0.0125	4.84×10^{-3}
4	0.0450	0.120	0.0500	9.68×10^{-3}

(i) Use the information in Table 3.1 to deduce the rate equation for this reaction.

Explain your reasoning.

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(ii) Use your rate equation from **(b)(i)** and the data from Experiment 1 to calculate the rate constant, *k*, for this reaction. Include the units of *k*.

k = ... units ..... [2]

(c) The rate of the thermal decomposition of azomethane, $CH_3N{=}NCH_3$, is investigated.

$$CH_3N{=}NCH_3 \rightarrow N_2 + C_2H_6$$

Fig. 3.1 shows the results obtained. The reaction is first order with respect to $CH_3N{=}NCH_3$.

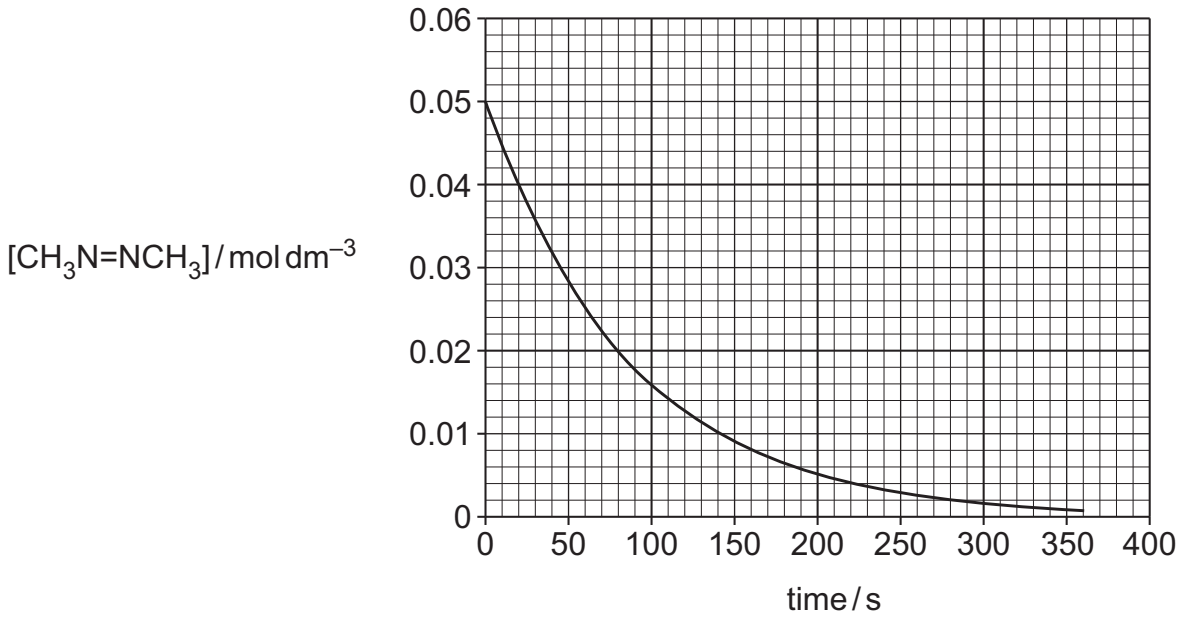

Fig. 3.1

(i) Use Fig. 3.1 to calculate **two** half-lives, $t_{\frac{1}{2}}$, to show that the reaction is first order.

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(ii) Use your answer to **(c)(i)** to calculate the rate constant, *k*, for the decomposition of azomethane.

k = ... s^{-1} [1]

(d) Describe the effect of increasing temperature on the rate constant and on the rate of a reaction.

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