

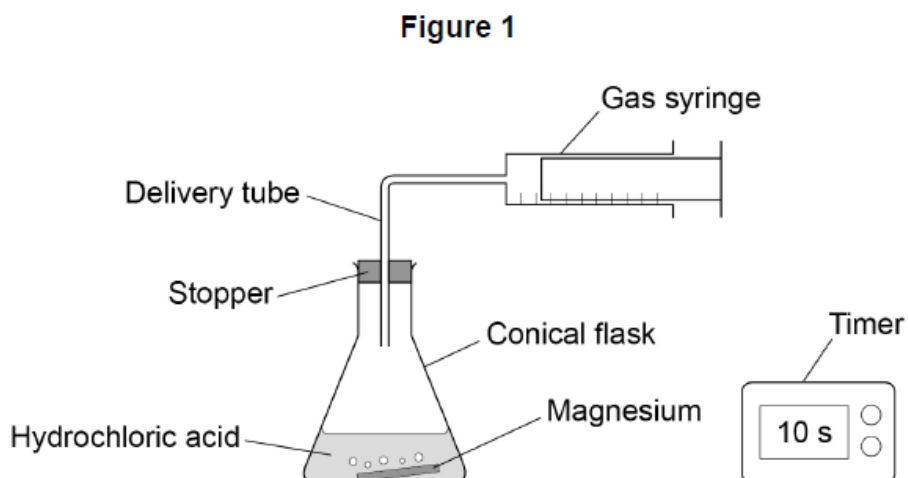
AQA - Rate of reaction – GCSE Chemistry Paper 2

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A student investigated the reaction between magnesium and excess hydrochloric acid.

Figure 1 shows the apparatus.



This is the method used.

1. Pour 50 cm³ of hydrochloric acid into a conical flask.
2. Add a piece of magnesium.
3. Insert stopper and delivery tube and start a timer.
4. Collect the gas produced in a gas syringe.
5. Record the volume of gas produced every 20 seconds for 2 minutes.
6. Repeat steps 1 to 5 with higher concentrations of hydrochloric acid.

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Give the independent variable and **one** control variable in this investigation.

[2 marks]

Independent variable _____

Control variable _____

Table 1 shows the results from the first experiment using hydrochloric acid with a low concentration.

Table 1

Time in seconds	0	20	40	60	80	100	120
Volume of gas in cm ³	0	48	72	90	97	98	98

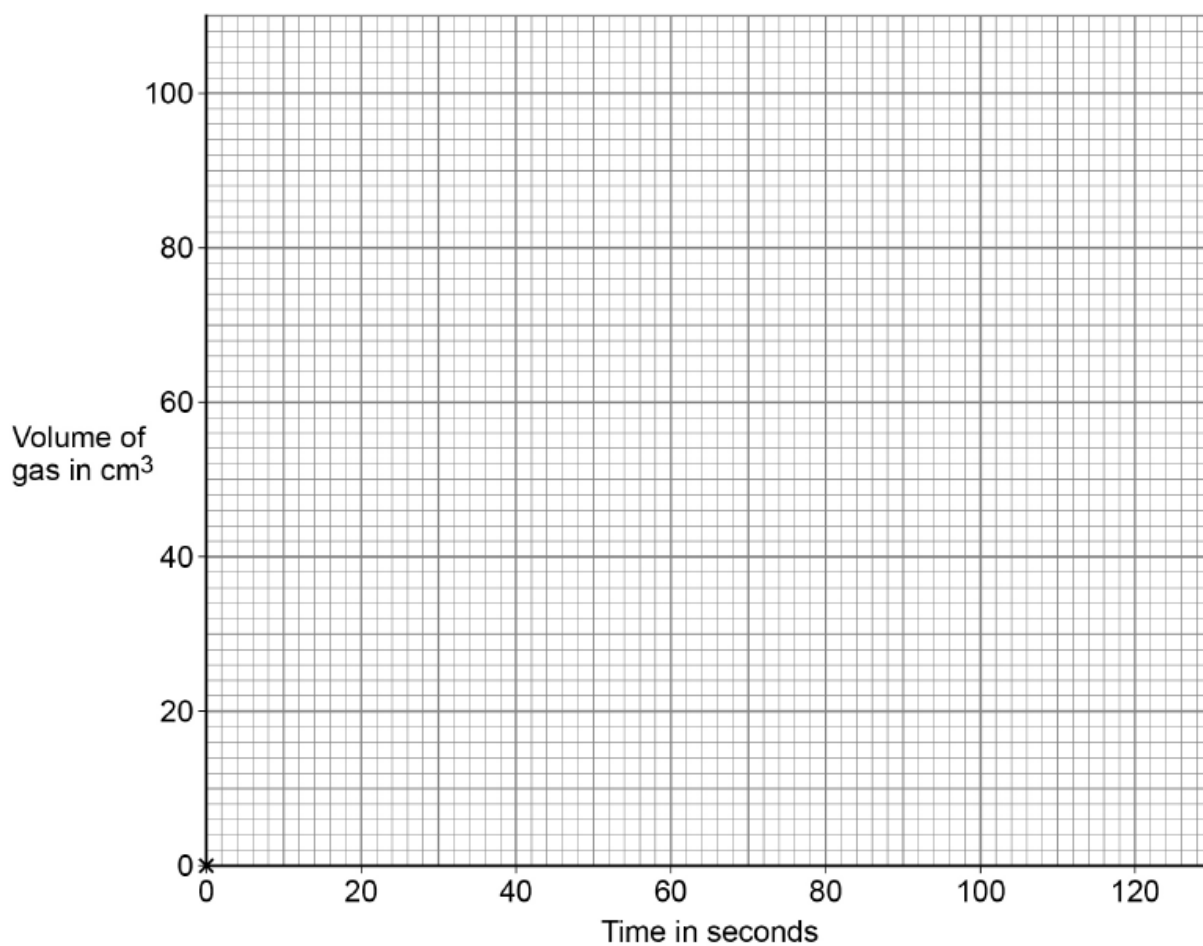
0 1 . 2 Complete **Figure 2**.

You should:

- plot the data from **Table 1** (the point 0,0 has been plotted for you)
- draw a line of best fit.

[3 marks]

Figure 2



0 1 . 3 How does the **rate** of this reaction change with time?

Use **Table 1**.

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

The rate decreases.

The rate stays the same.

The rate increases.

0 1 . 4 The student repeated the experiment using hydrochloric acid with a higher concentration.

Which statement is correct?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

The activation energy for the reaction was higher.

The magnesium reacted more quickly.

The reaction finished at the same time.

The total volume of gas collected was smaller.

0 1 . 5 Temperature also affects the rate of the reaction.

Explain how increasing the temperature affects the **rate** of the reaction.

You should refer to particles and collisions.

[3 marks]
