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1. What would the relaxation time be if a T -jump experiment is conducted in heavy water? The equilibrium constant for the reaction $D^+ + OD^- \longrightarrow D_2O$ is $4.08 \times 10^{16} \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ dm}^3$, and the rate constant for the reverse reaction is independently found to be $2.52 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s}^{-1}$. The density of D_2O is 1.04 g cm^{-3} .
2. The enzyme carbonic anhydrase catalyzes the reaction $CO_2 + H_2O \longrightarrow HCO_3^- + H^+$. When CO_2 is present in excess the Michaelis constant and turnover number are $1.2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ and $1.0 \times 10^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$, while in the presence of excess HCO_3^- they are $2.6 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ and $4.0 \times 10^5 \text{ s}^{-1}$ respectively. Determine ALL the rate constants for the elementary steps in the reaction mechanism.