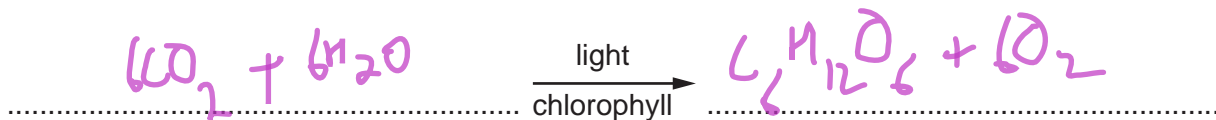


1 (a) State the balanced chemical equation for photosynthesis.



[2]

A student investigated the effect of different wavelengths of light on the rate of photosynthesis of the water plant, Cabomba.

The student used the apparatus shown in Fig. 6.1.

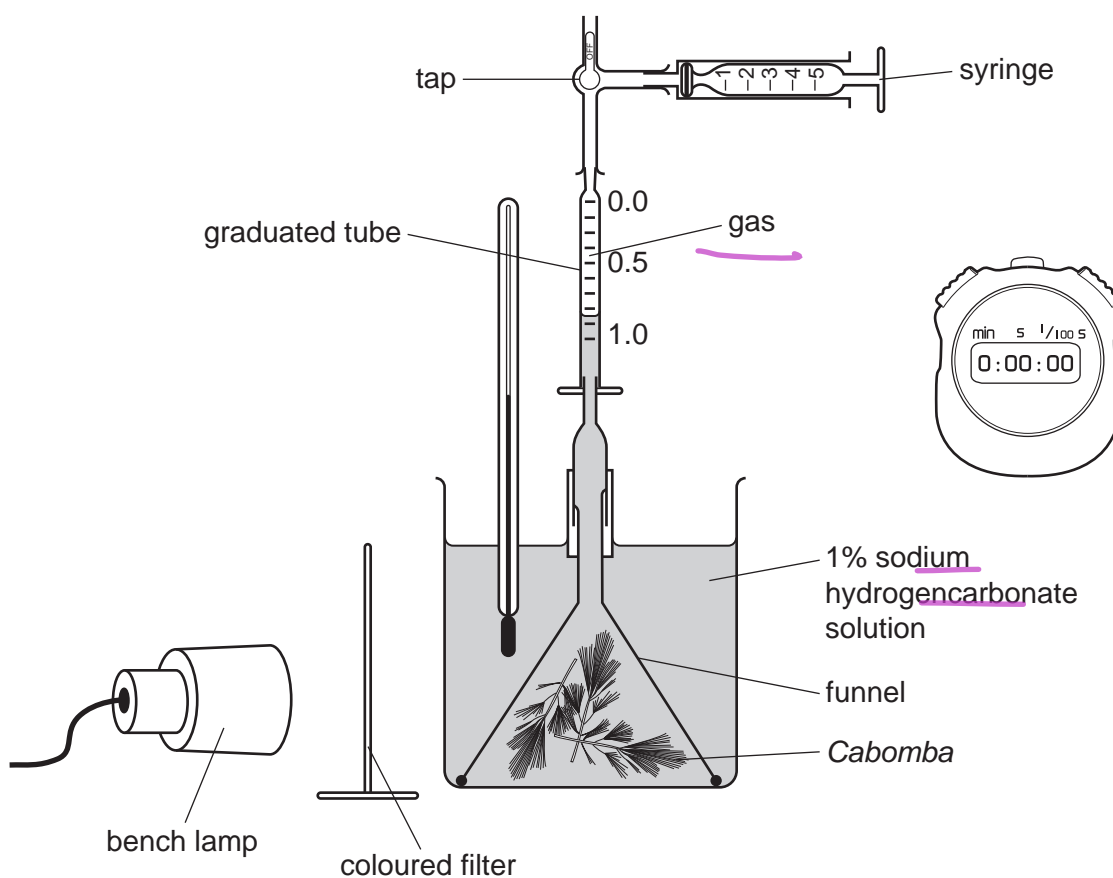


Fig. 6.1

(b) The student collected the gas produced by the plant for five minutes. The results are shown in Table 6.1.

Table 6.1

colour of filter	wavelength of light / nm	volume of gas collected / cm <sup>3</sup>
violet	400	0.80
blue	475	0.80
green	550	0.20
yellow	600	0.40
red	675	0.90

Describe the effect of wavelength of light on the rate of photosynthesis as shown in the student's results in Table 6.1.

You will gain credit if you use data from the table.

as wavelength increases → Rate of photosynthesis decreases and increases

Max Rate → 0.9 cm<sup>3</sup> at 675 nm / red  
Min Rate → 0.2 cm<sup>3</sup> at 550 nm / green

[3]

(c) State how the student would calculate the rates of photosynthesis from the results in Table 6.1.

Divide the volumes → Average Rate  
5

[1]

(d) State why the student:

(i) kept the lamp at the same distance during the investigation,

to keep the light intensity same

[1]

(ii) used sodium hydrogencarbonate solution.

to provide  $\text{CO}_2$  so  $\text{O}_2$  is not a limiting factor  
only limiting factor is light

[1]

(e) State **three** uses in a plant of the carbohydrate produced in photosynthesis.

1. for respiration, energy, converted to sucrose
2. To make nectar, cellulose, starch (storage)
3. To make amino acids, chlorophyll (cell walls)

[3]

[Total: 11]

2 Fig. 2.1 is a flow chart that shows the events that occur as light travels through the eye.

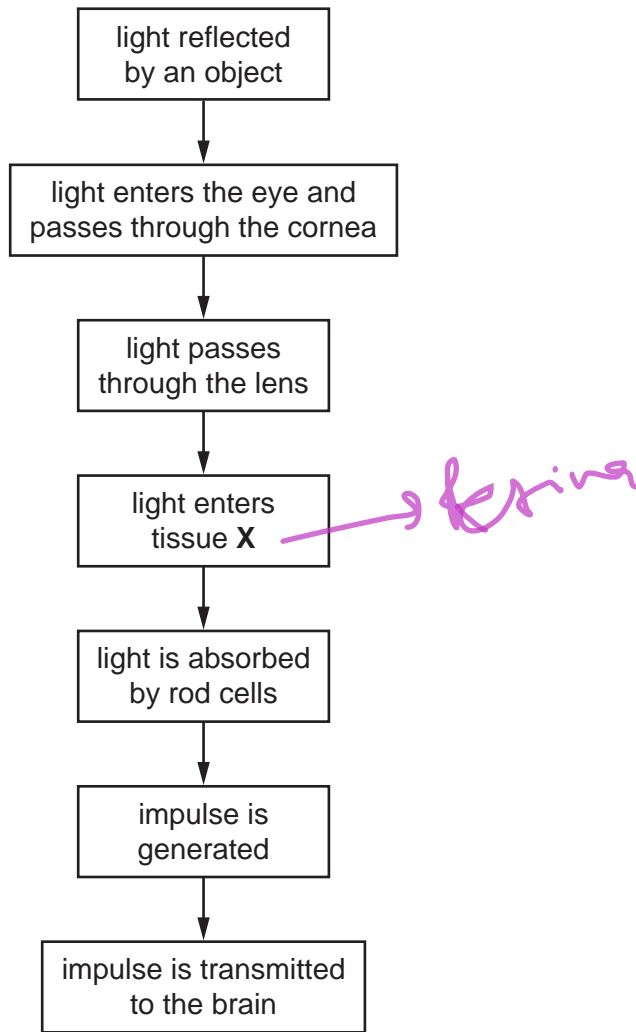


Fig. 2.1

(a) (i) State the name of the tissue X.

..... Retina [1]

(ii) State the name of the nerve that transmits impulses from the eye to the brain.

..... optic nerve [1]

(iii) State what happens to rays of light as they enter the cornea and the lens.

..... light is refracted [1]  
↳ changes its direction

(iv) Describe the role of rod cells.

sensitive to detect light in low light intensity  
puts impulse to optic nerve

[2]

(b) A plant, *Arabidopsis thaliana*, was placed on its side in the dark. Fig. 2.2 is a series of drawings made of the plant, over seven days, as it responded to a change in its surroundings.

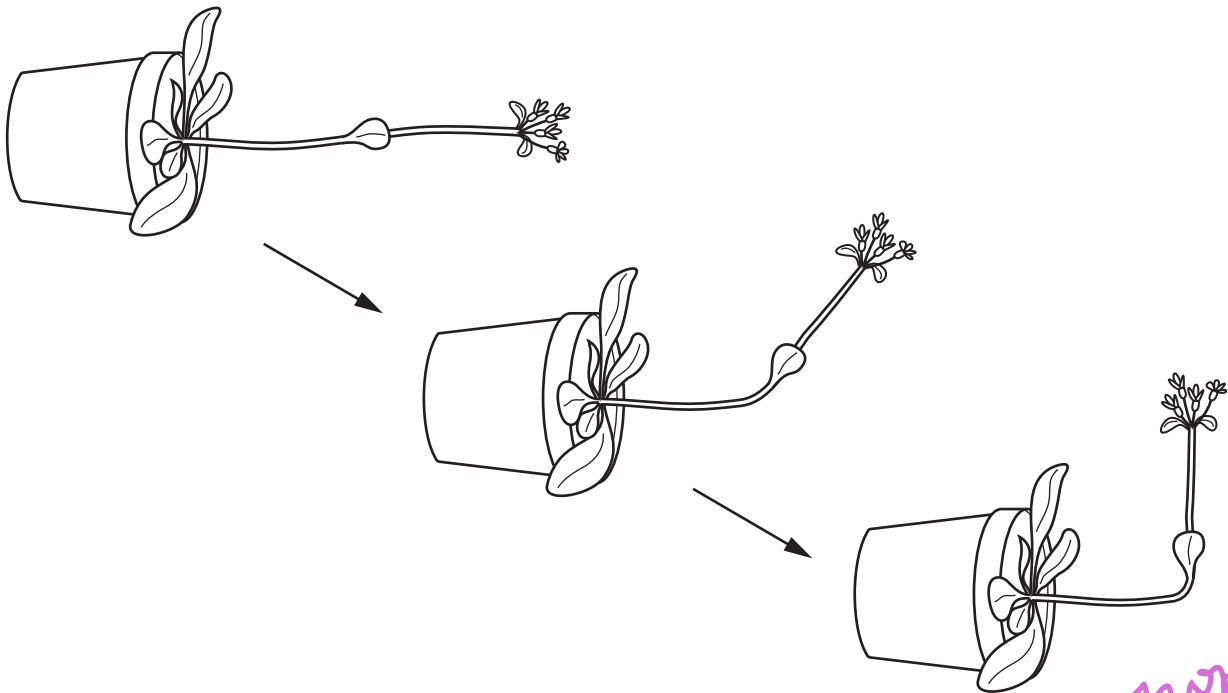


Fig. 2.2

(i) State the stimulus to which the plant responded.

gravity → shoot is relative

[1]

(ii) Name the growth response shown by the plant.

Negative geotropism

[2]

(iii) Explain the advantage to plants of the growth response shown in Fig. 2.2.

→ upward — grow towards where light should be  
→ more light absorbed — more photosynthesis more growth  
→ flowers more likely to attract insects/pollinators  
→ more likely to release/shed/disperse seeds  
→ downward — better anchorage — absorb  $H_2O$  & mineral ions

[2]

(iv) Auxins control the growth responses of seedlings.

Explain how auxins control the growth response of *A. thaliana*, shown in Fig. 2.2.

Auxins → made in shoot tip → spread/diffuse — unequal distribution  
stimulates cell elongation (where it accumulates) ← auxin collects in lower side of stem

[4]

[Total: 14]

3 A student carried out an investigation to find the effect of carbon dioxide concentration on the rate of photosynthesis of an aquatic plant.

The apparatus that the student used is shown in Fig. 2.1. The student was advised to use a light meter positioned at the same distance from the lamp as the pond plant. The student counted the number of bubbles produced by the cut end of the stem.

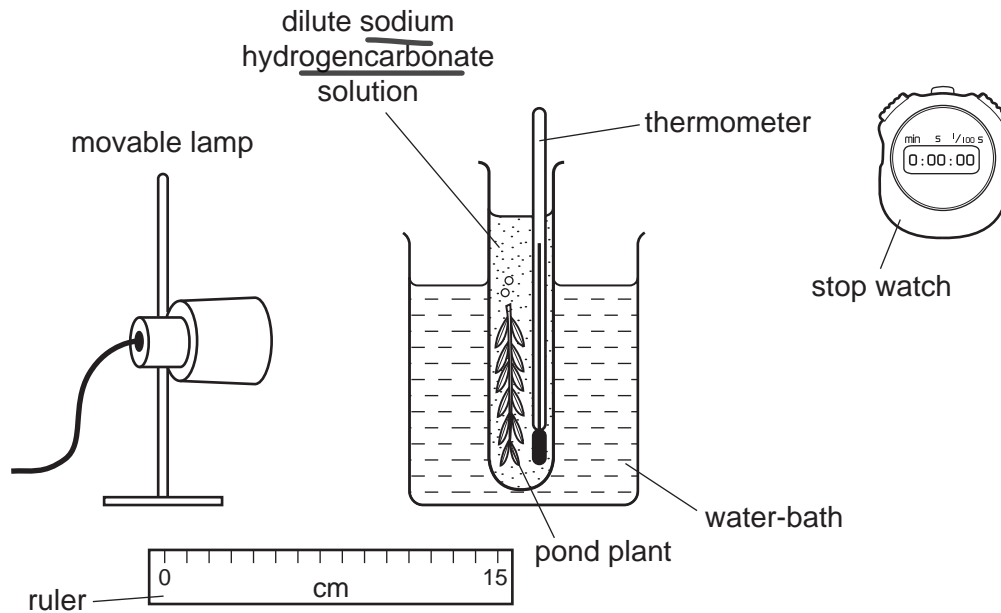


Fig. 2.1

(a) Explain why the student included the following in the apparatus.

(i) The beaker of water and the thermometer.

maintain constant temp, prevent heat from lamp heating the water, adjust heat from lamp. Thermometer → to monitor, check, record, measure prevent temp change, affecting the results (rate of photosynthesis) [2]

(ii) The light meter and the ruler.

maintain constant light intensity. Light meter → to measure, check, monitor, record light intensity [2]

(b) The results obtained by the student are shown in Fig. 2.2.

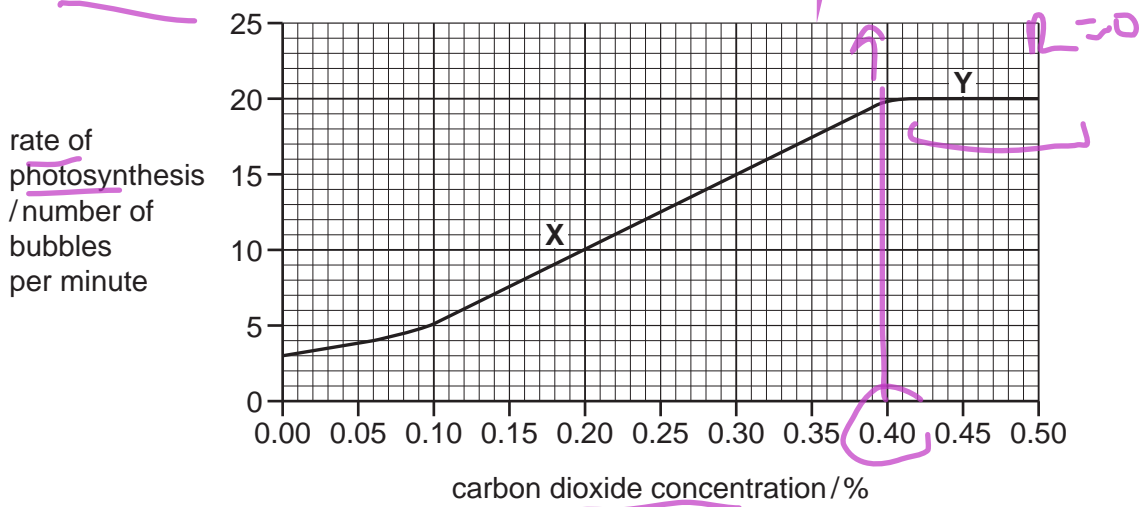


Fig. 2.2

(i) Describe the student's results.

You will gain credit if you use data from Fig. 2.2 in your answer.

*Rate of photosynthesis increases as CO<sub>2</sub> conc increases levels up to 0.40% & then remains constant above 0.40% → slow increase up to 0.1%.*

.....[3]

(ii) State the factor that is limiting the rate of photosynthesis in region X of the graph.

*CO<sub>2</sub> conc / availability* .....[1]



(iii) Suggest **and** explain the reasons for the shape of the graph in region Y.

$CO_2$  is no longer limiting factor in region Y.  
light intensity could be a limiting factor  
bcz light providing energy for photosynthesis  
Temp could be a limiting factor  
bcz temp influencing activity of enzymes

[4]

(c) Counting bubbles may not be the best way to measure the rate of photosynthesis. The volume of the bubbles is not always exactly the same.

Suggest and explain **one** alternative way of measuring the gas given off to solve this problem.

measure volume of  $O_2$  gas  $\rightarrow$  by inverted test tube  
cylinder/syringe  $\rightarrow$  graduations/making  
readings from  $\rightarrow$  grab bubbles to top  $\rightarrow$  low  
displacement of  $H_2O$   $\rightarrow$  Gas by syringe

[3]

or  $O_2$  sensor

attach by tube  
flask

volcano

(d) Fig. 2.3 shows the carbon dioxide concentration in the atmosphere as determined at Mauna Loa in Hawaii between 1959 and 2013.

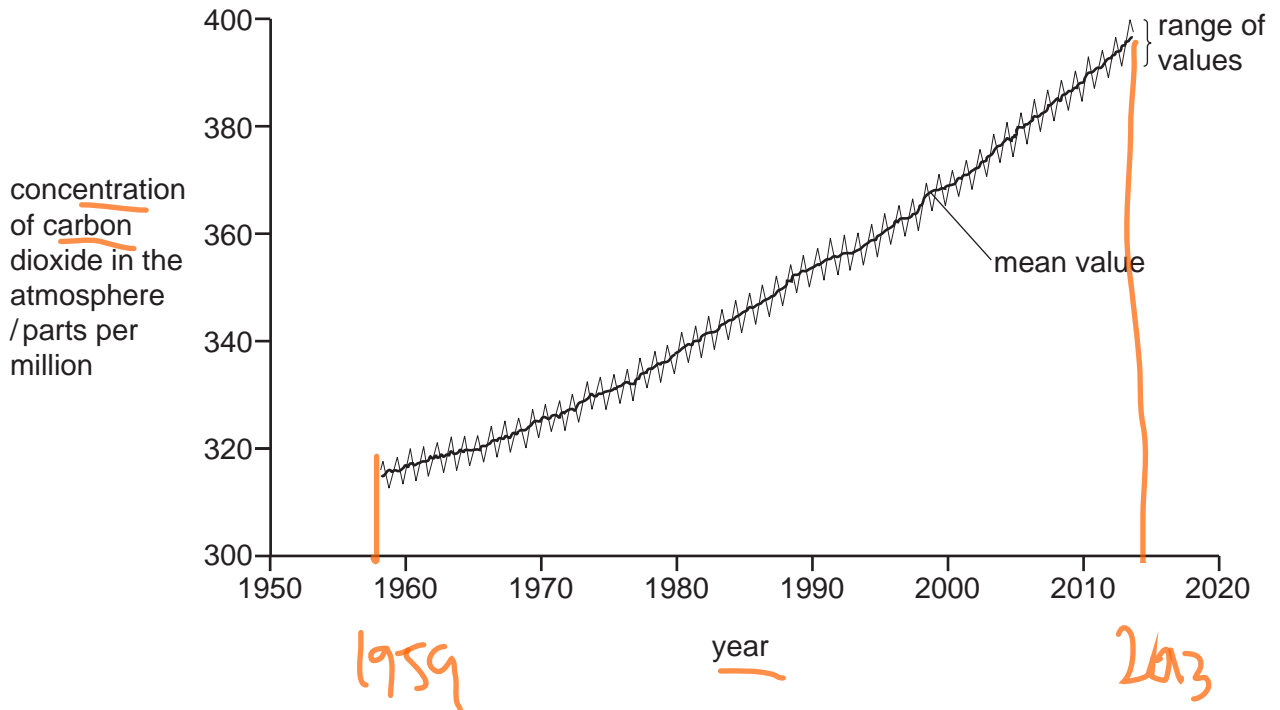


Fig. 2.3

(i) Explain why the concentration of carbon dioxide has increased between 1959 and 2013.

Combustion / burning of fossil fuels  
Increased demand of energy  
CO<sub>2</sub> from volcanic activity  
Deforestation — burning of forests [2]

(ii) Global warming is largely due to this increase in atmospheric carbon dioxide.

Explain how increases in atmospheric carbon dioxide concentrations contribute to global warming.

$\text{CO}_2 \rightarrow$  green house gas  $\rightarrow$  green house eff  
heat infra-red / long wavelength radiation en  
to sun Earth  $\rightarrow$  trapped / absorbed by  
greenhouse gas  $\rightarrow$  travel back to earth  
leave atmosphere  $\rightarrow$  Temp  $\uparrow$

[4]

[Total: 21]