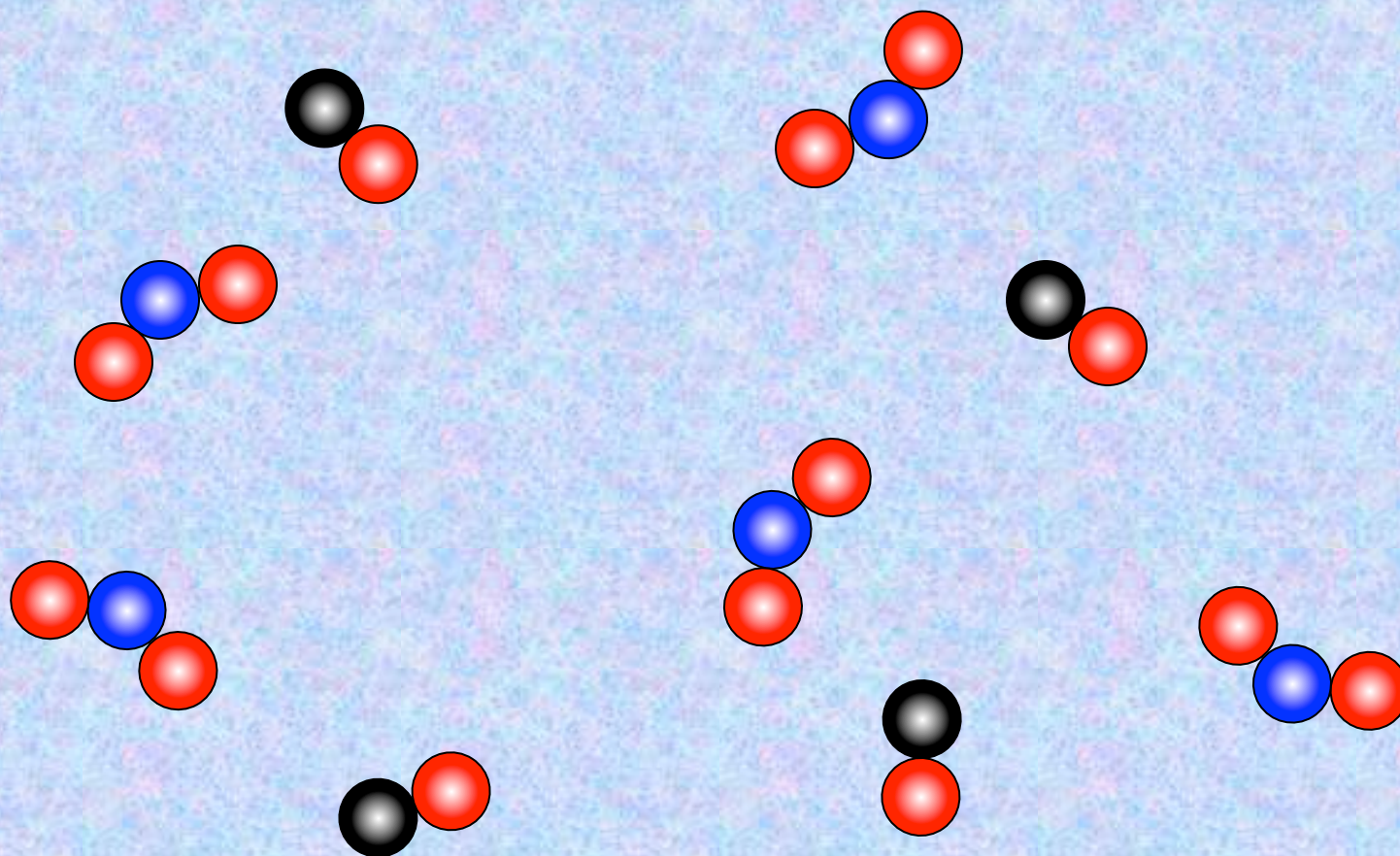


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Step 2. $\text{NO}_3 + \text{CO} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{CO}_2$ (fast)

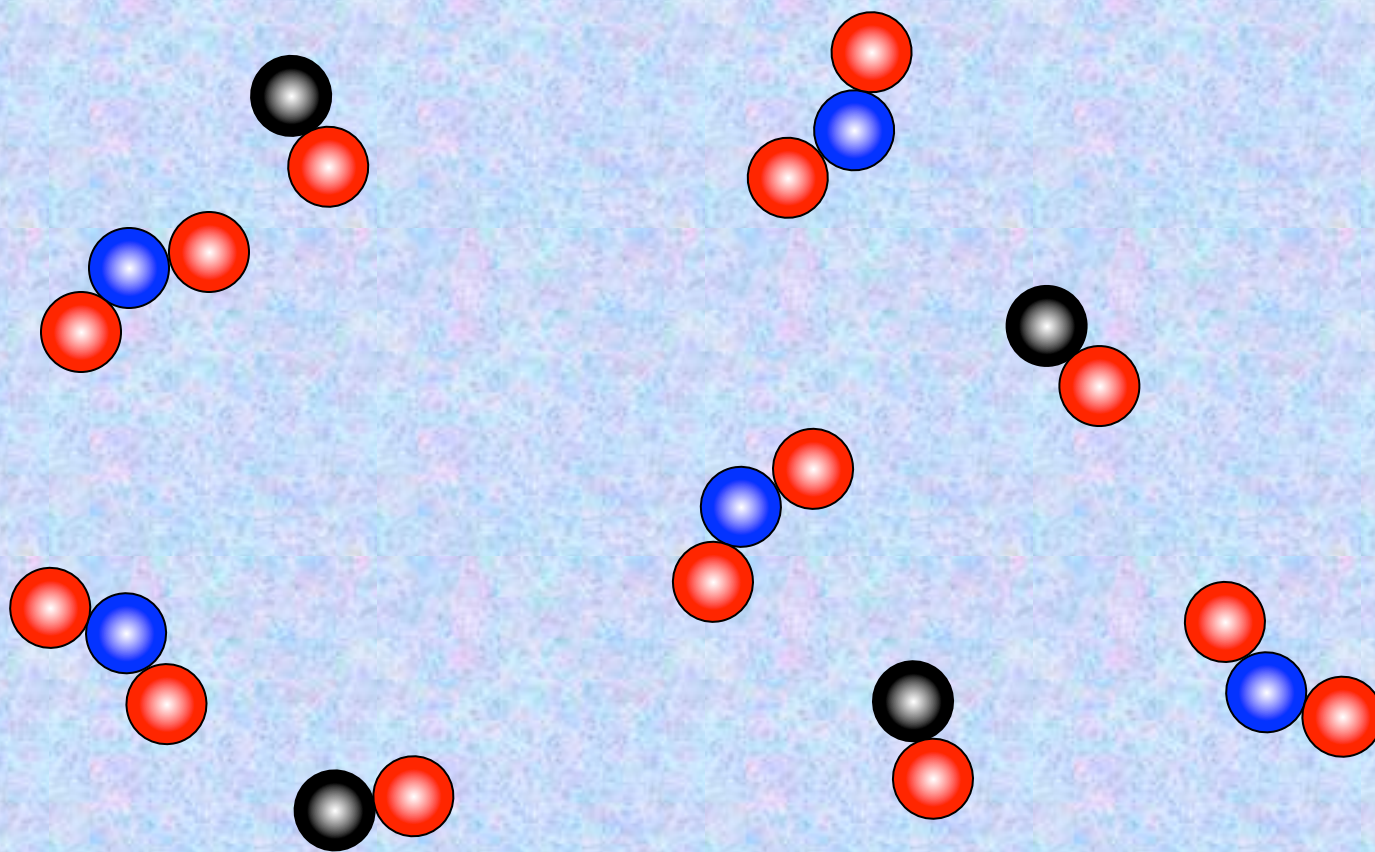
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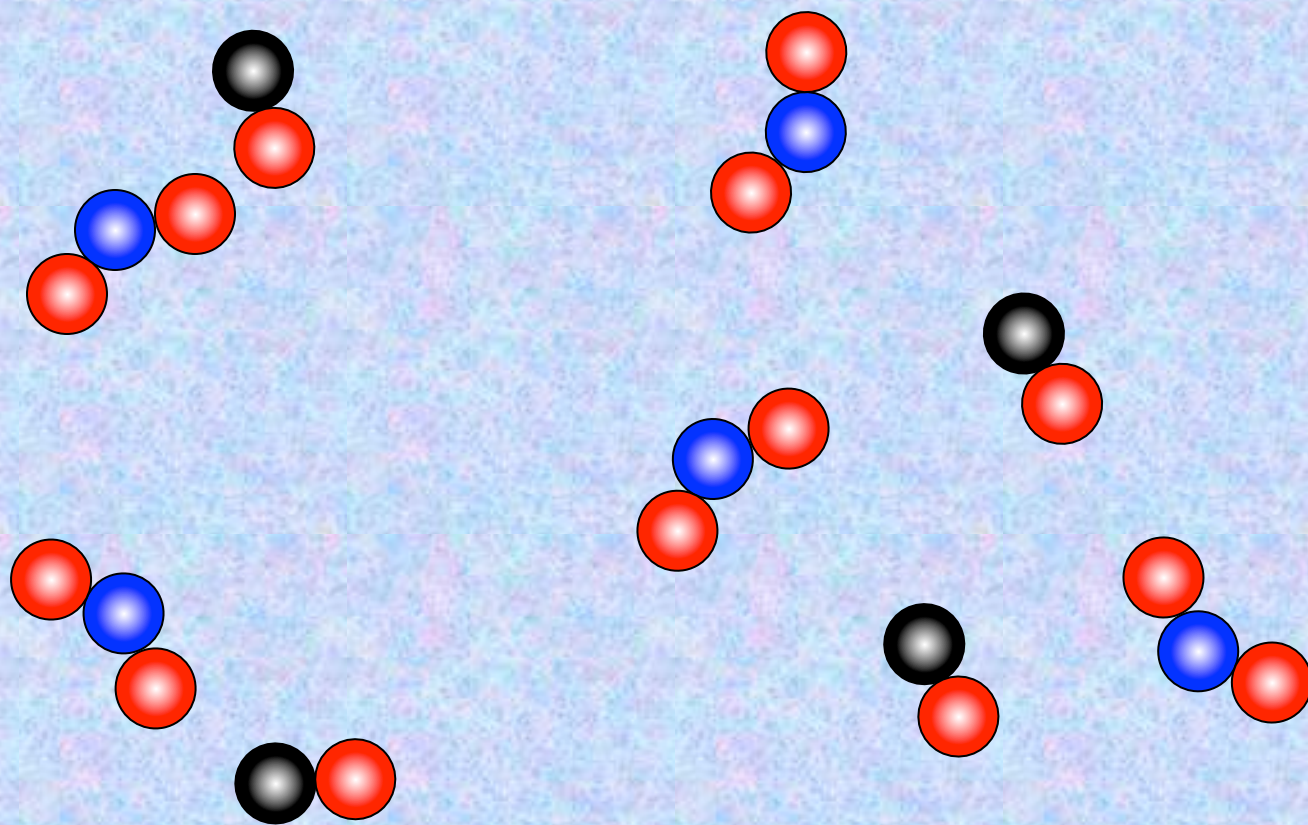
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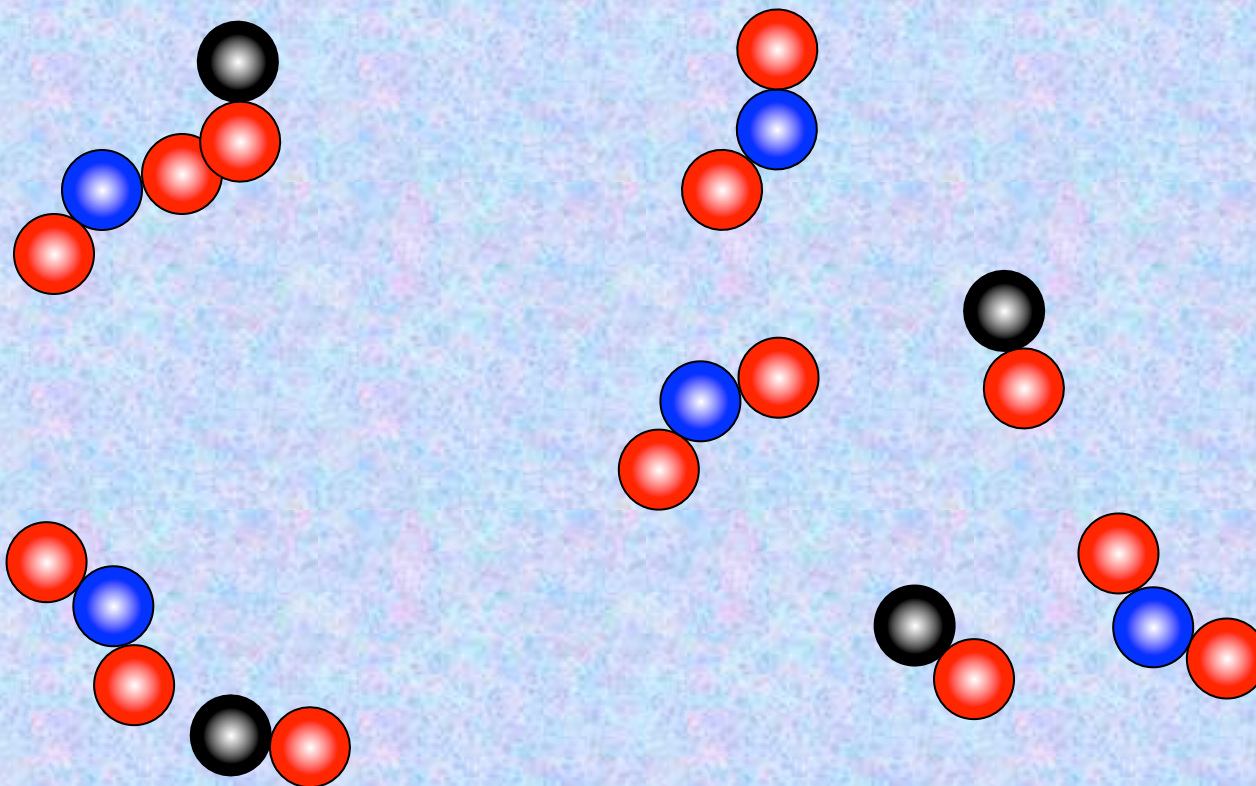
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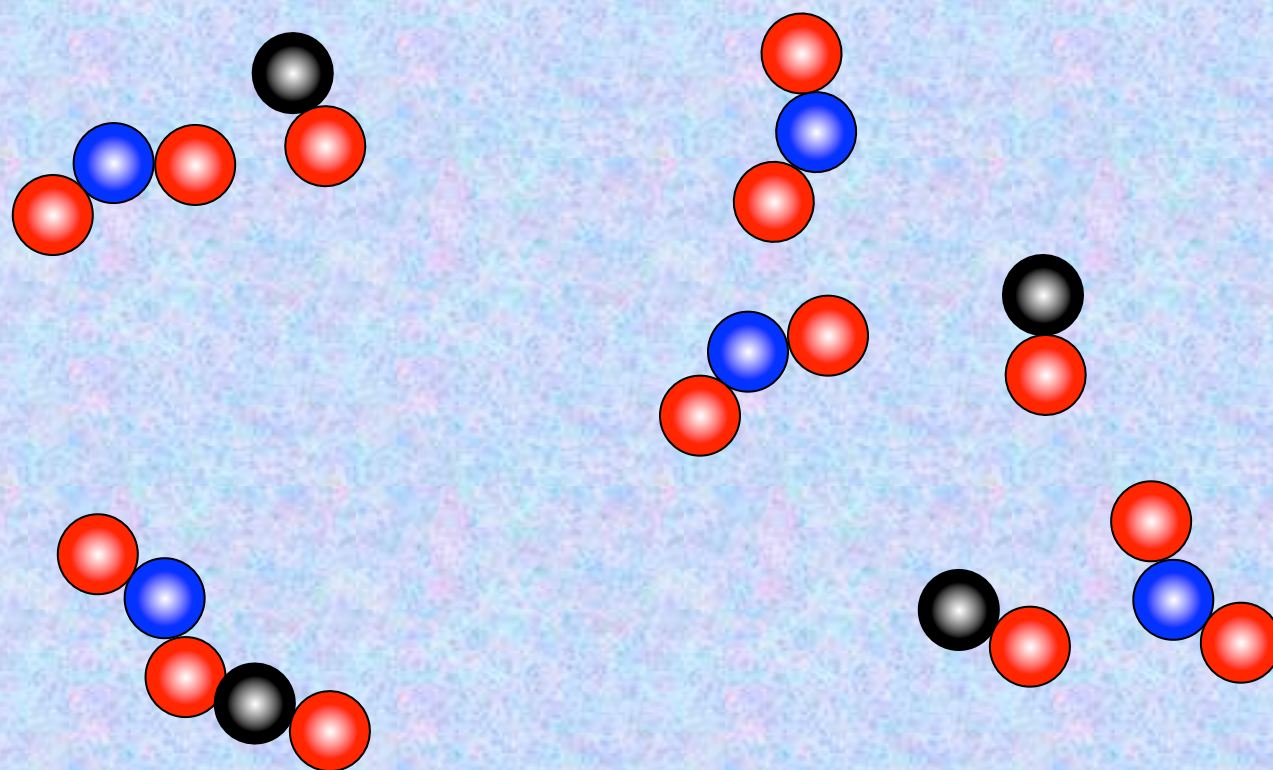
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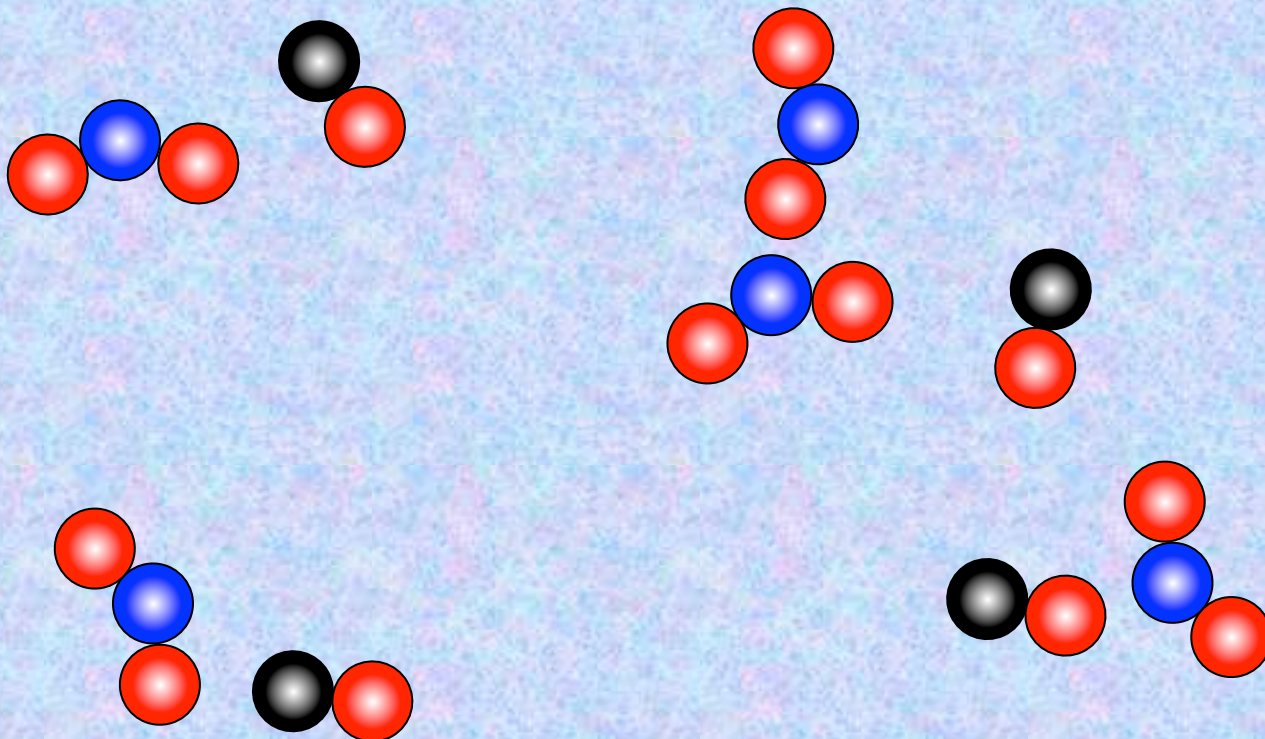
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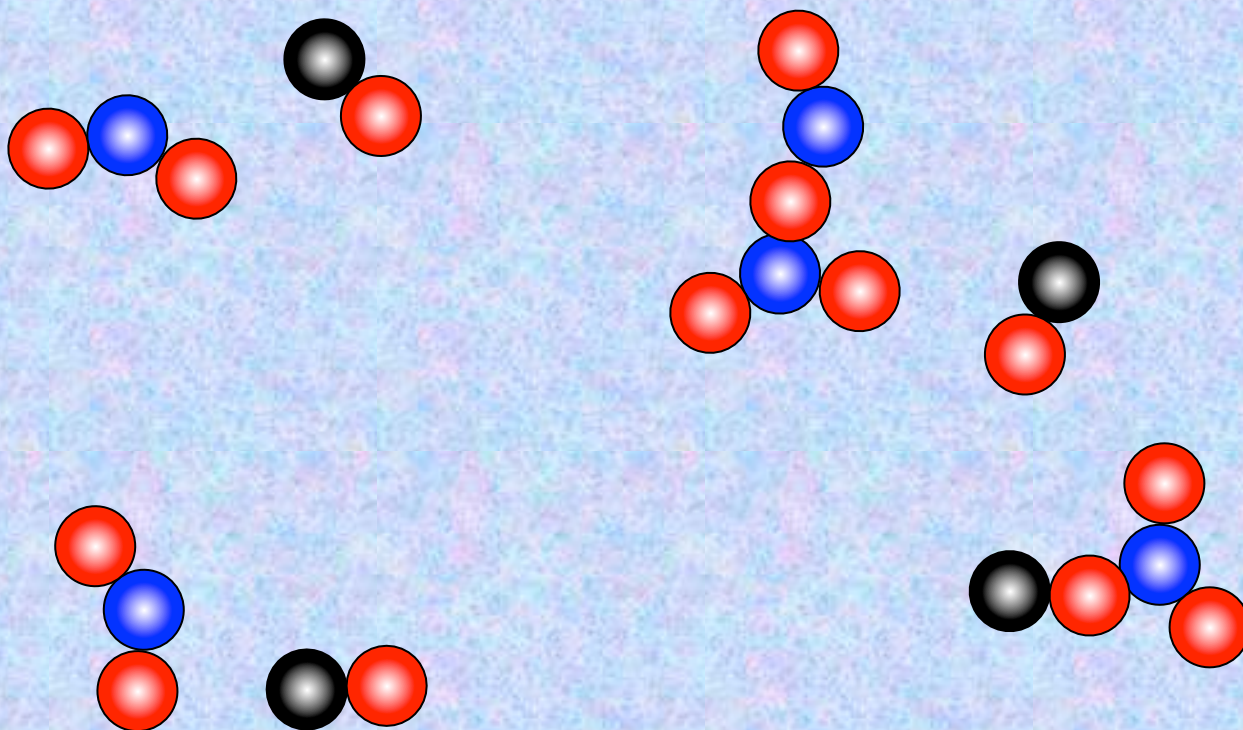
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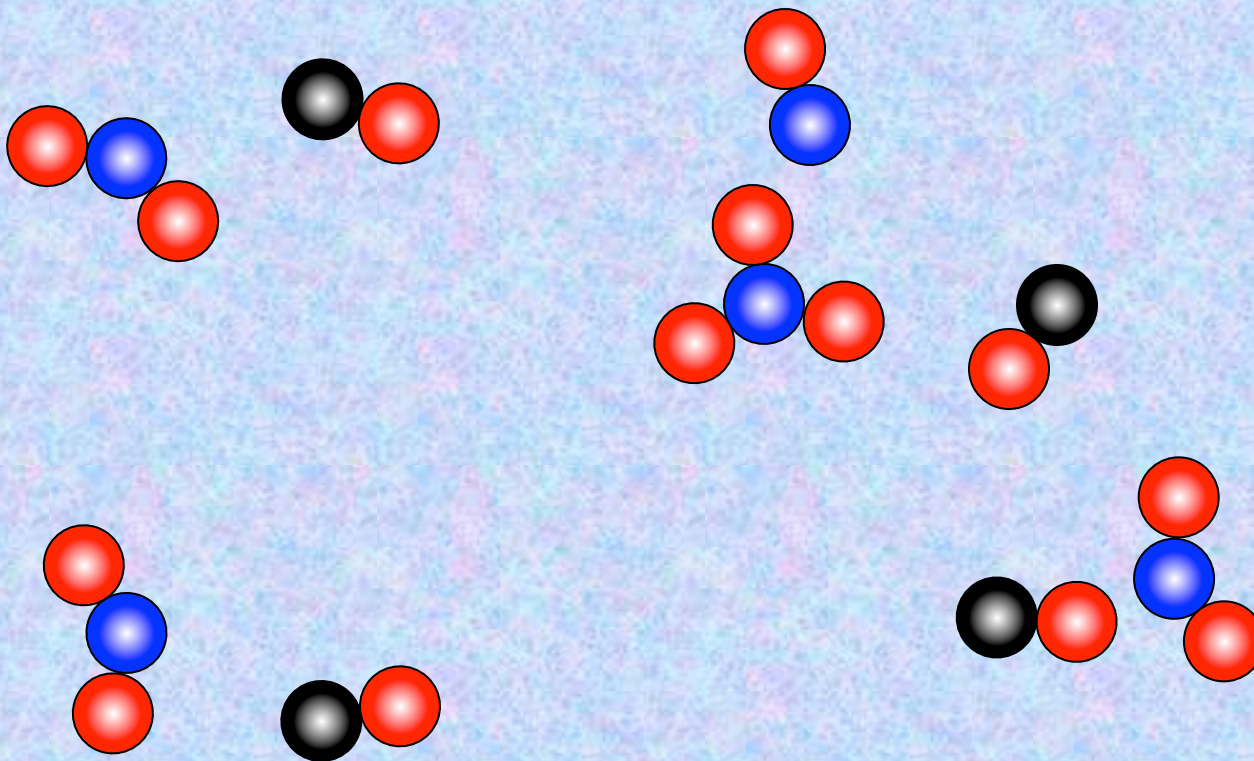


$$\text{Rate} = k[\text{NO}_2]^2$$

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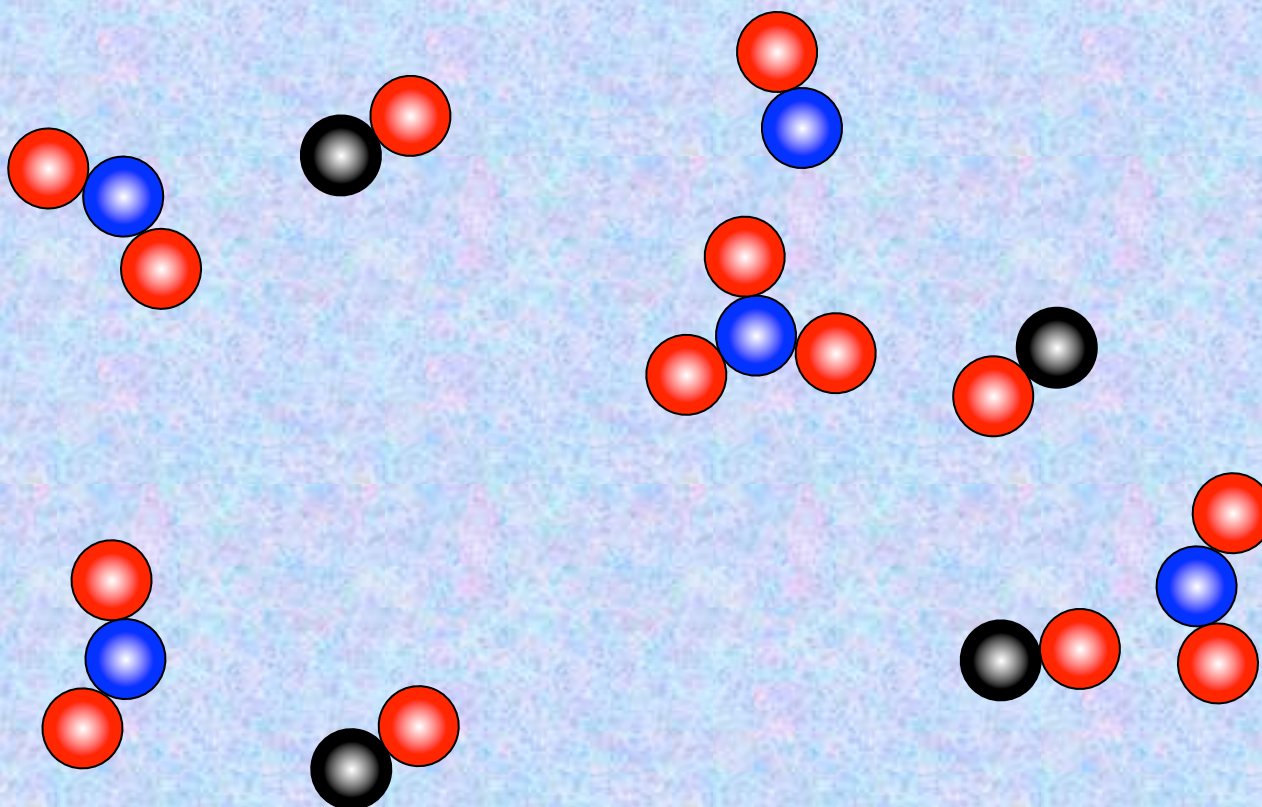
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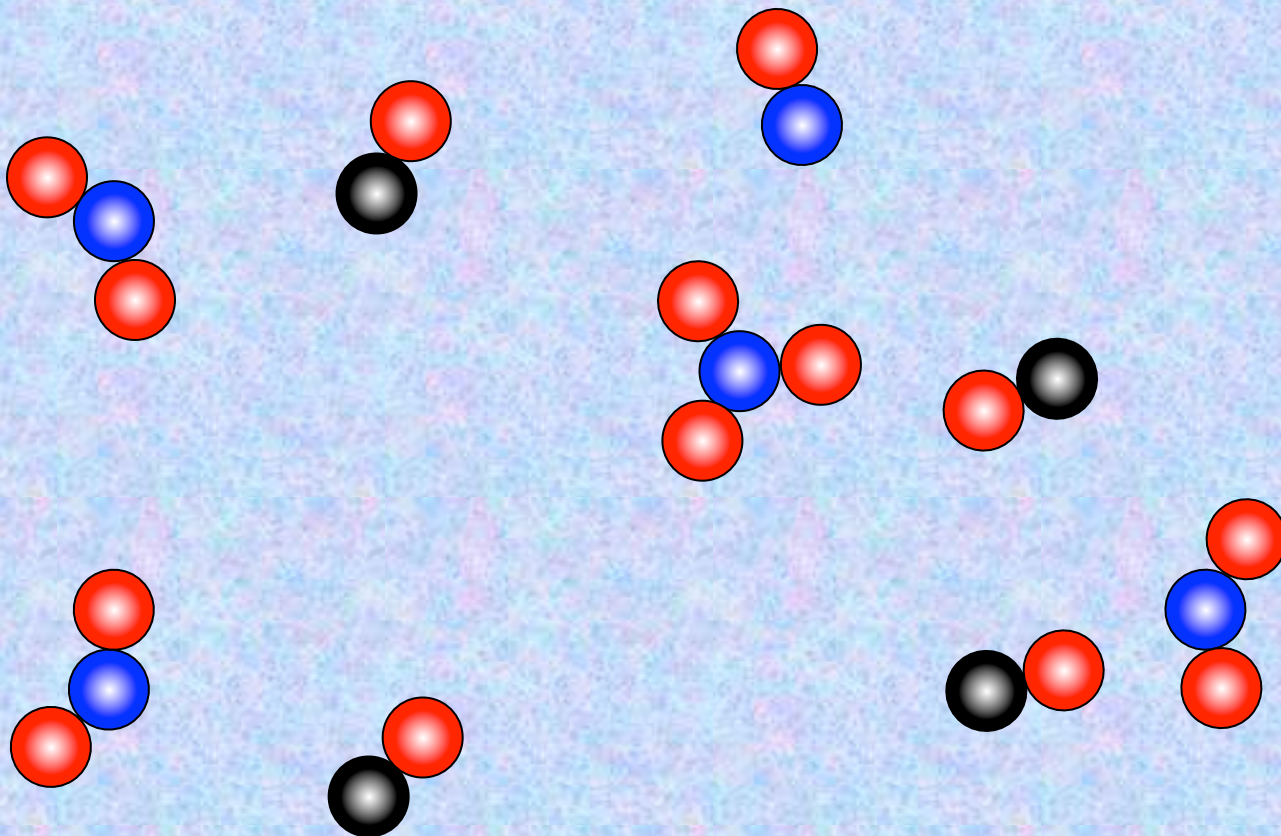
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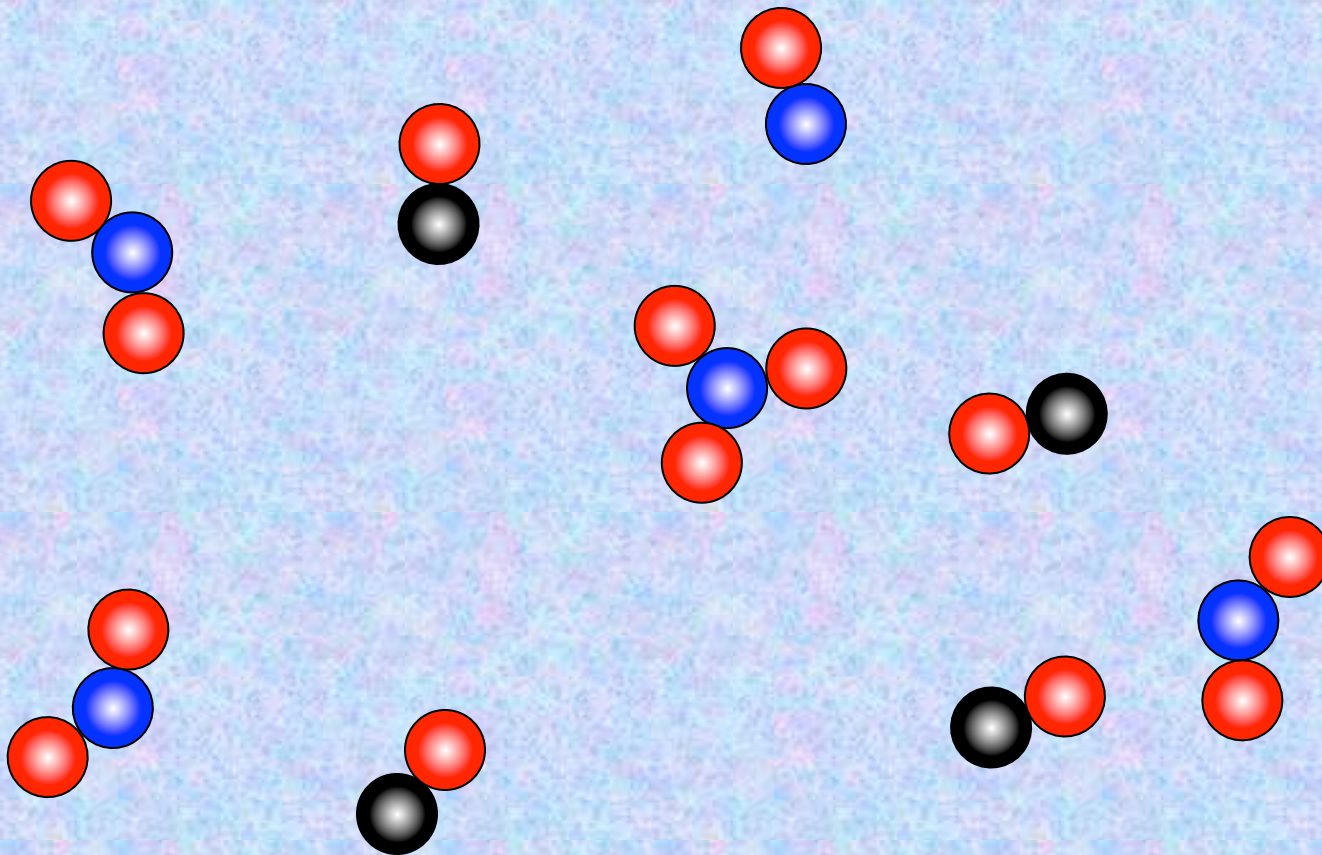
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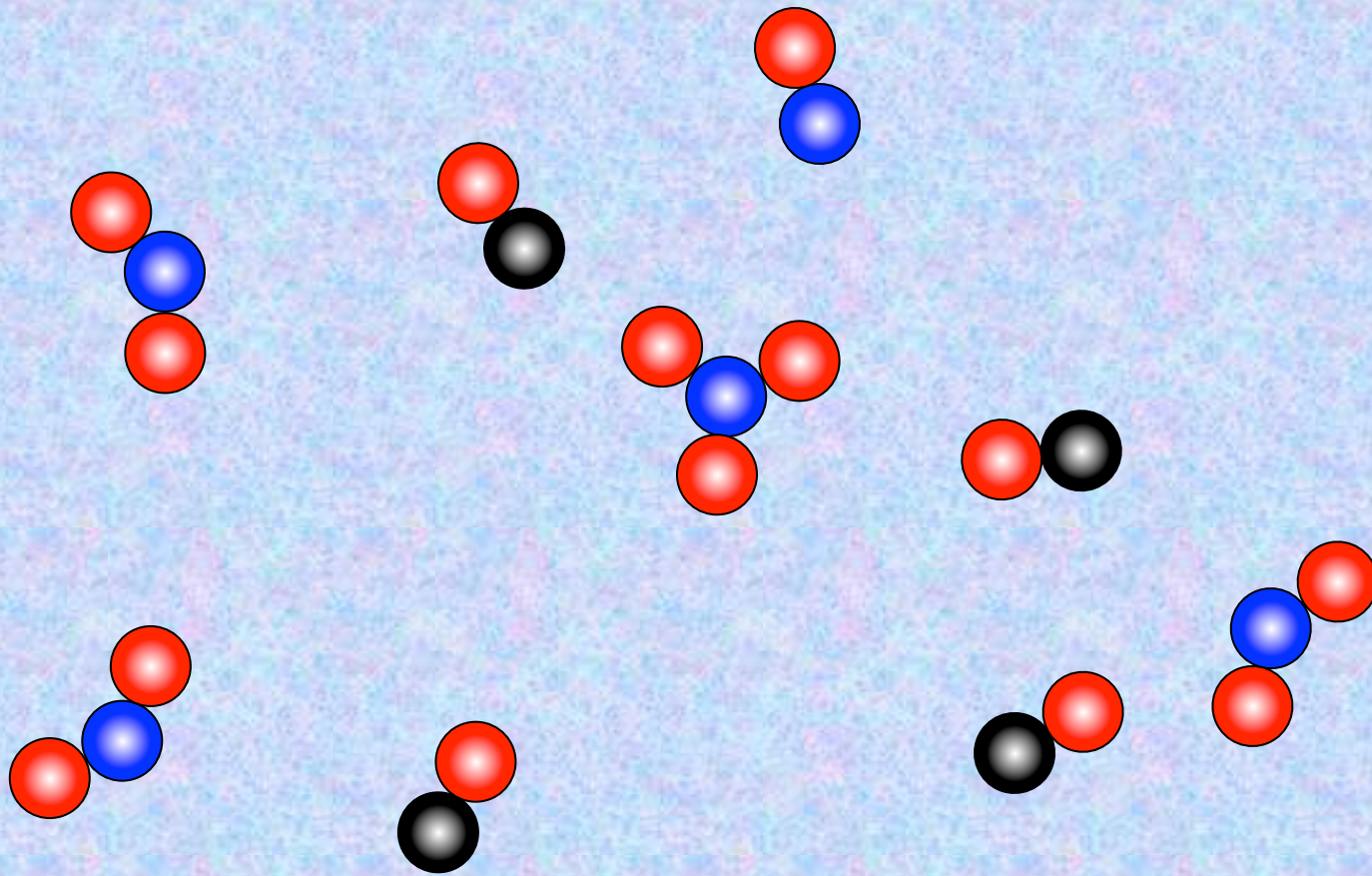
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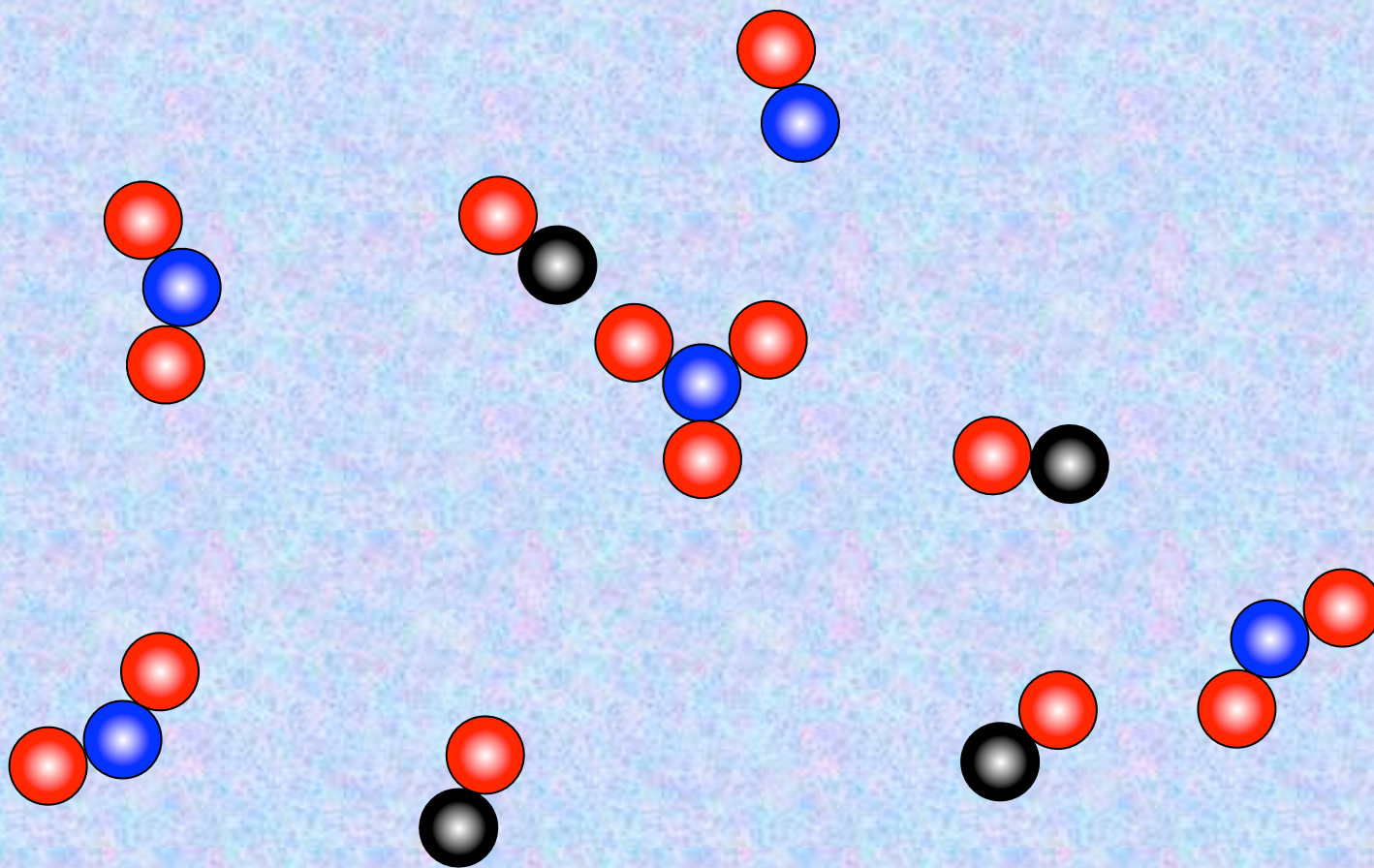
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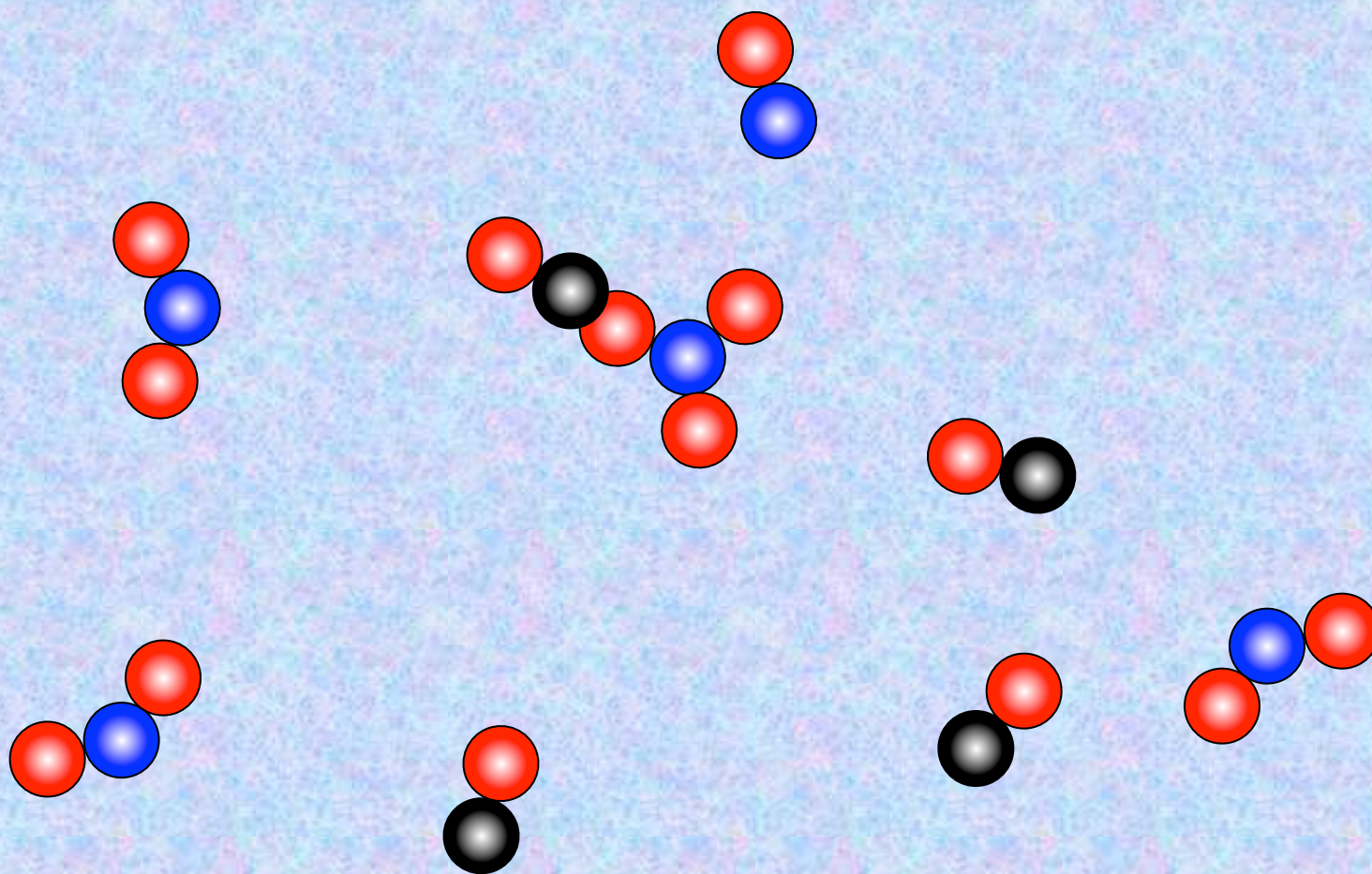
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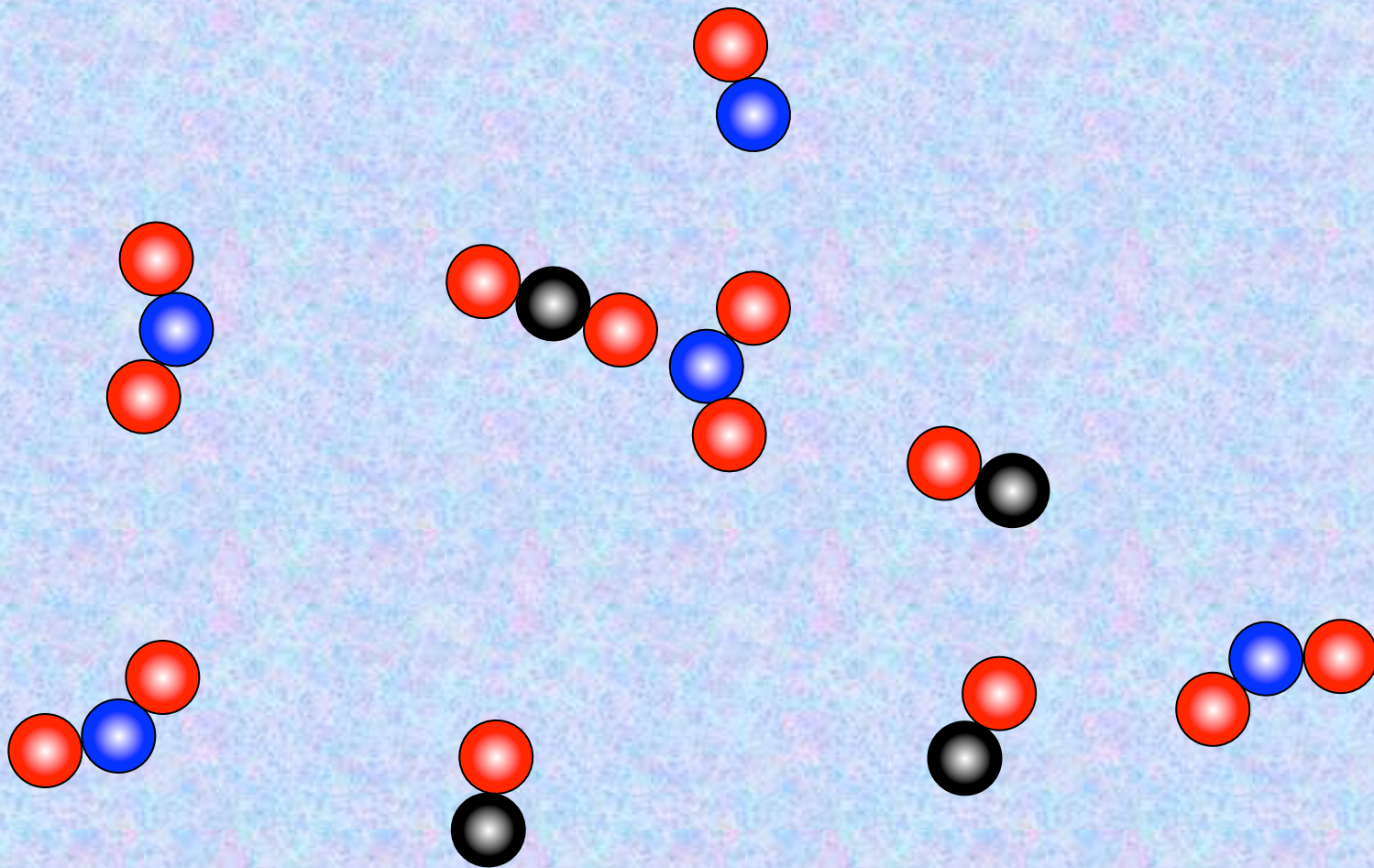
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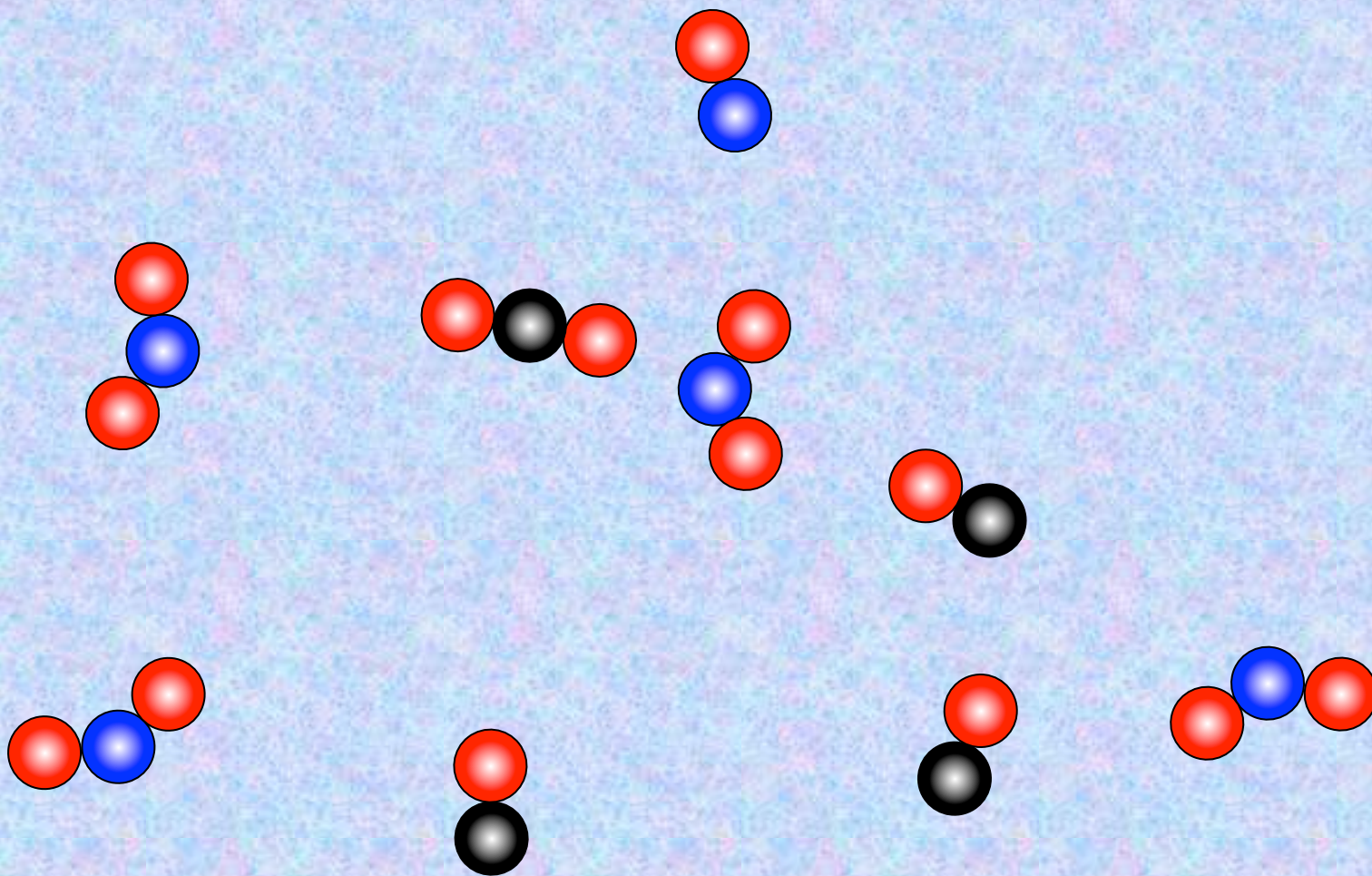
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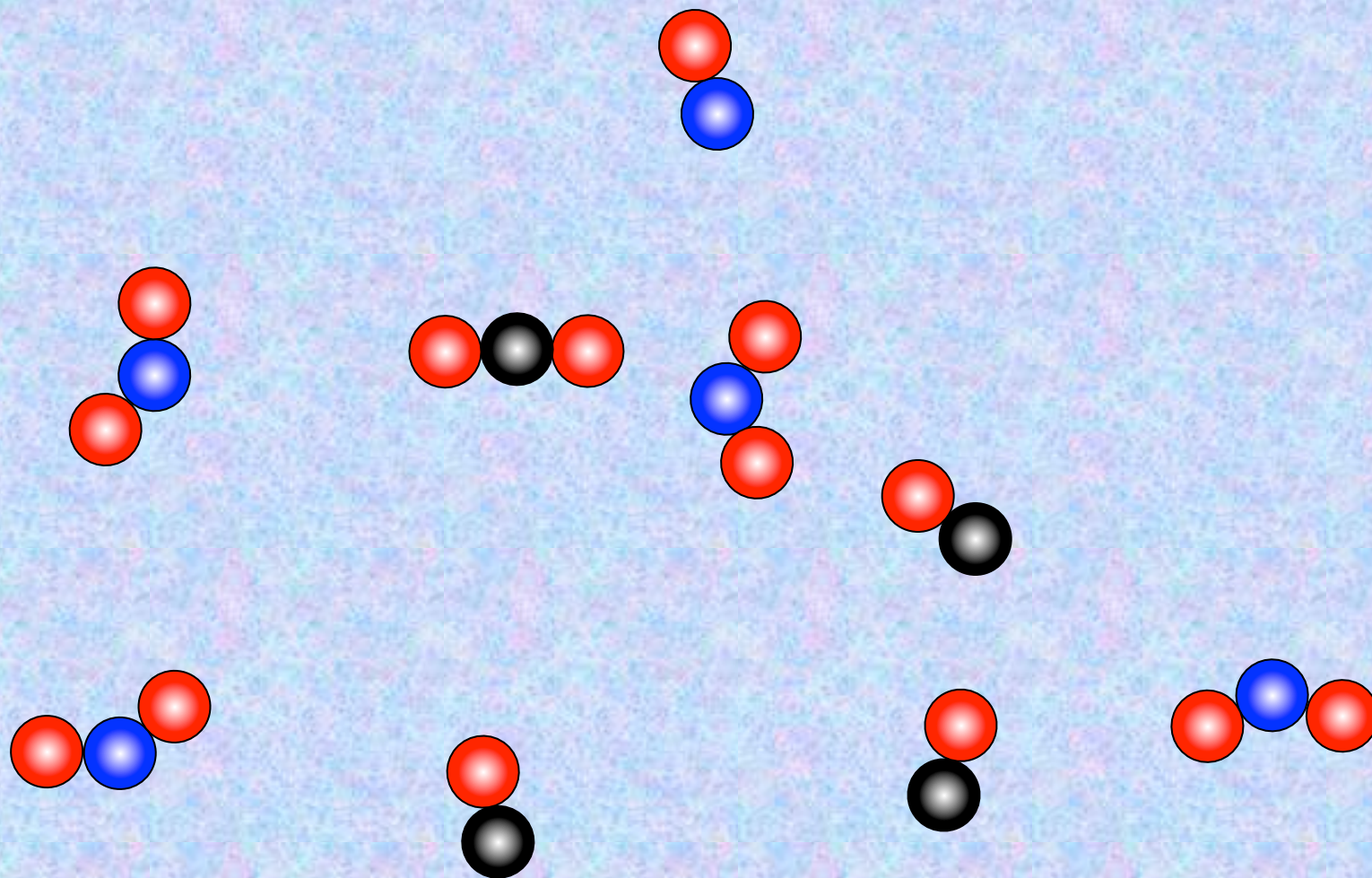
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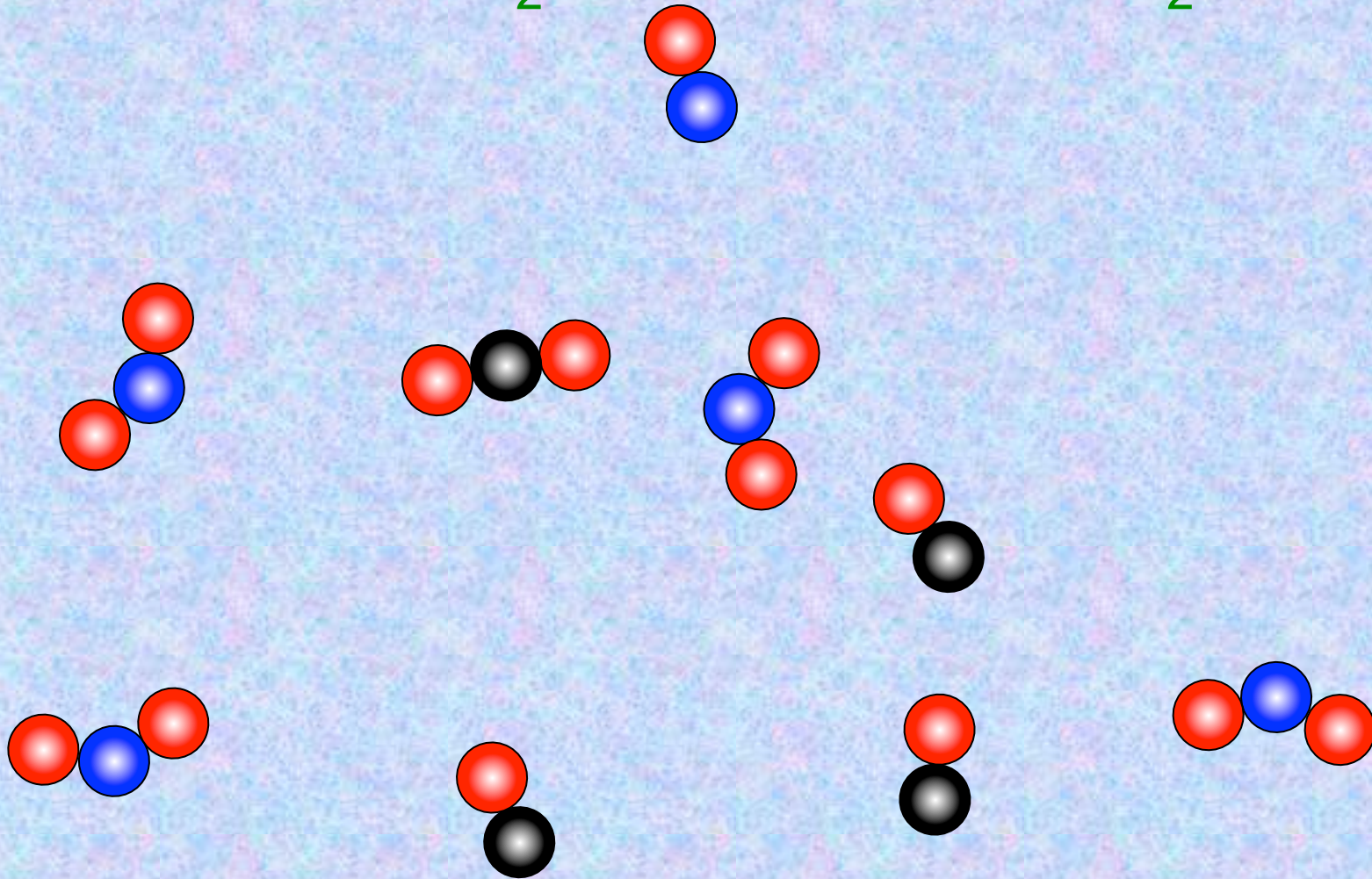
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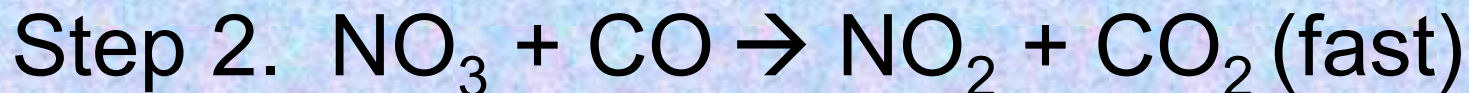
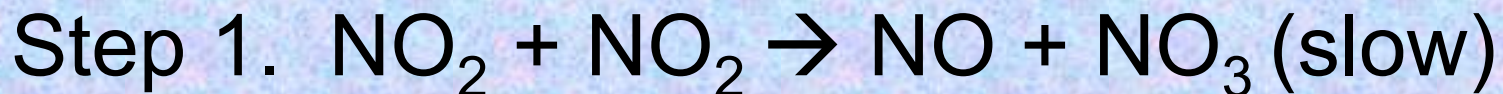


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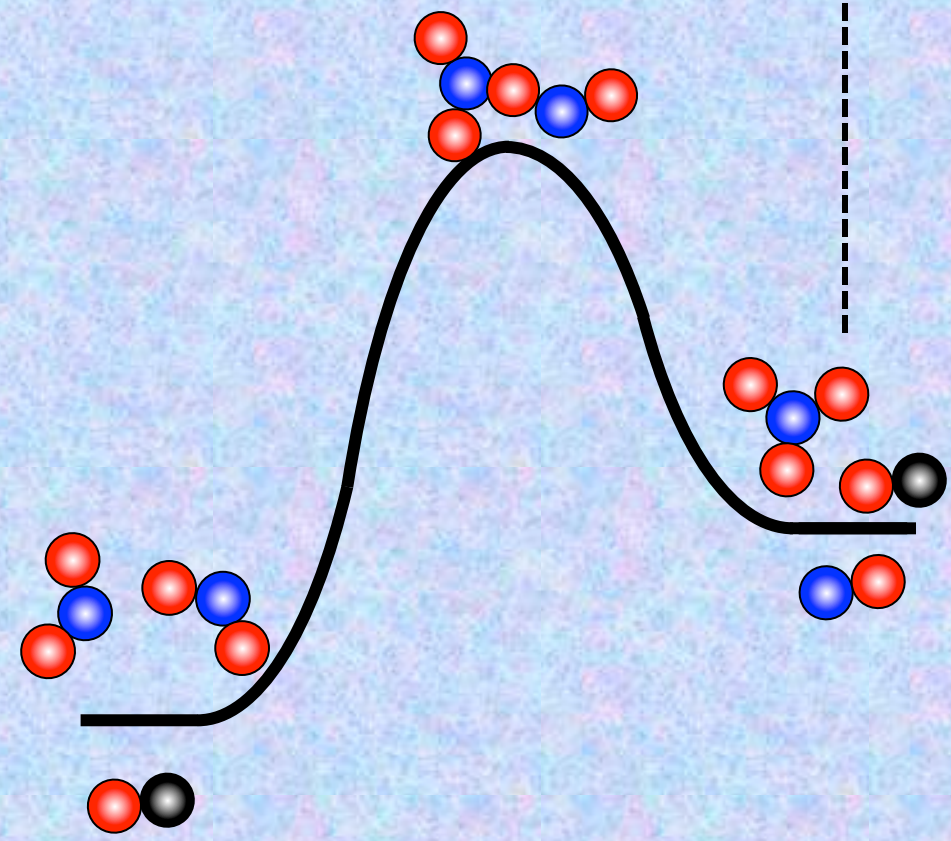
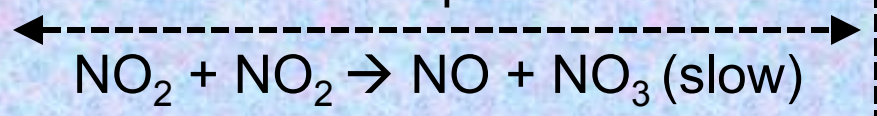
$$\text{Rate} = k[\text{NO}_2]^1[\text{CO}]^1$$

This 2-step proposed mechanism:



$$\text{Rate} = k[\text{NO}_2]^2$$

Step 1.



Step 1.

Step 2.

