

Chemical Kinetics

Chapter 13



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#### **Chemical Kinetics**

Thermodynamics – does a reaction take place?

Kinetics – how fast does a reaction proceed?

**Reaction rate** is the change in the concentration of a reactant or a product with time  $(M/s) = \text{mol. L}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ .

$$A \longrightarrow B$$

rate 
$$=$$
  $\frac{\Delta[A]}{\Delta t}$ 

 $\Delta[A]$  = change in concentration of A over time period  $\Delta t$ 

$$rate = \frac{\Delta[B]}{\Delta t}$$

 $\Delta[B]$  = change in concentration of B over time period  $\Delta t$ 

Because [A] decreases with time,  $\Delta$ [A] is negative.







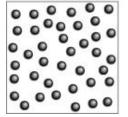


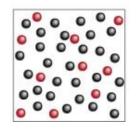


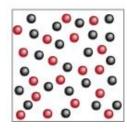


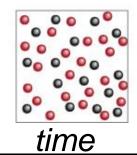


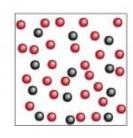


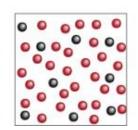


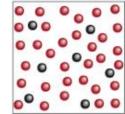






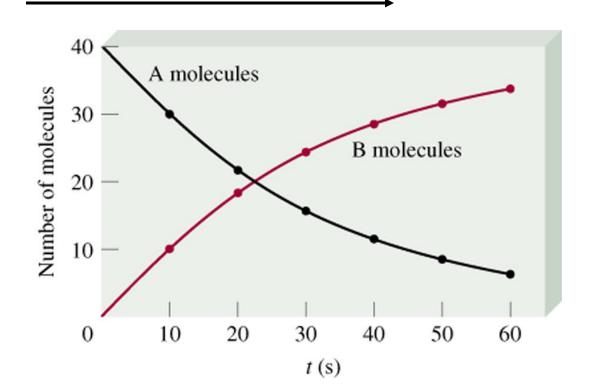






$$rate = -\frac{\Delta[A]}{\Delta t}$$

$$rate = \frac{\Delta[B]}{\Delta t}$$

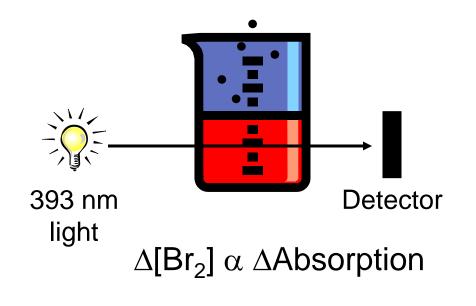


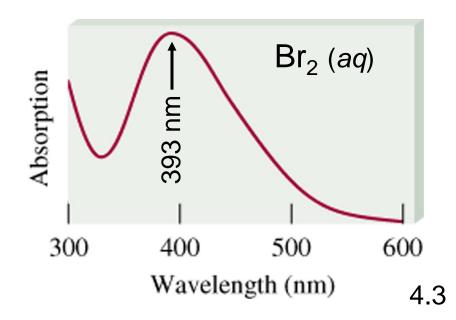
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#### $Br_2(aq) + HCOOH(aq) \longrightarrow 2Br^-(aq) + 2H^+(aq) + CO_2(g)$

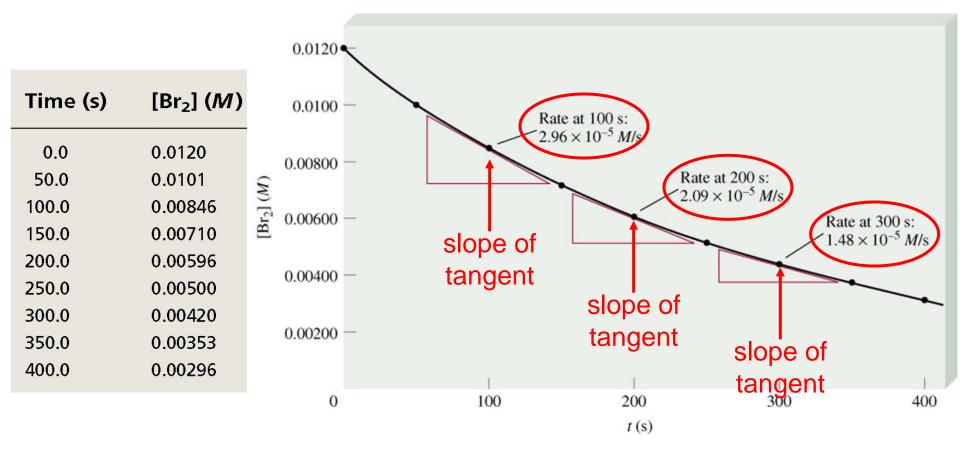


*time* 





$$Br_2(aq) + HCOOH(aq) \longrightarrow 2Br^-(aq) + 2H^+(aq) + CO_2(g)$$



average rate = 
$$-\frac{\Delta[Br_2]}{\Delta t}$$
 =  $-\frac{[Br_2]_{final} - [Br_2]_{initial}}{t_{final} - t_{initial}}$ 

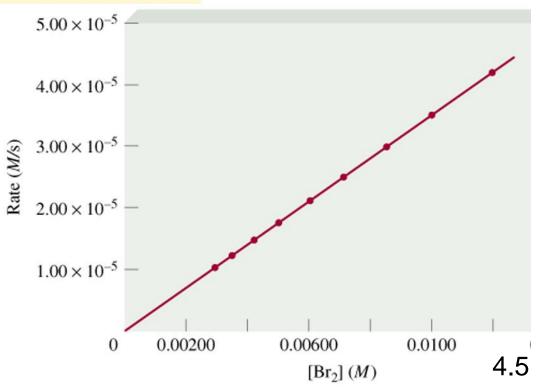
instantaneous rate = rate for specific instance in time

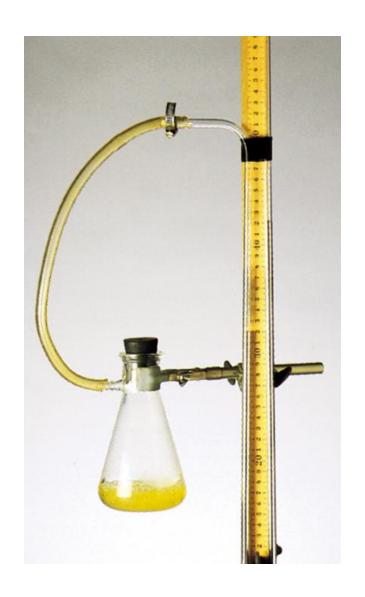
]	Time (s)	[Br <sub>2</sub> ] ( <i>M</i> )	Rate ( <i>M</i> /s)	$k = \frac{\text{rate}}{[Br_2]} (s^{-1})$
	0.0	0.0120	$4.20 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.50 \times 10^{-3}$
	50.0	0.0101	$3.52 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.49 \times 10^{-3}$
	100.0	0.00846	$2.96 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.50 \times 10^{-3}$
	150.0	0.00710	$2.49 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.51 \times 10^{-3}$
	200.0	0.00596	$2.09 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.51 \times 10^{-3}$
	250.0	0.00500	$1.75 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.50 \times 10^{-3}$
	300.0	0.00420	$1.48 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.52 \times 10^{-3}$
	350.0	0.00353	$1.23 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.48 \times 10^{-3}$
	400.0	0.00296	$1.04 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.51 \times 10^{-3}$

rate 
$$\alpha$$
 [Br<sub>2</sub>]  
rate =  $k$  [Br<sub>2</sub>]  

$$k = \frac{\text{rate}}{[\text{Br}_2]} = \text{rate constant}$$

$$= 3.50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$$





$$2H_{2}O_{2} (aq) \longrightarrow 2H_{2}O (I) + O_{2} (g)$$

$$PV = nRT$$

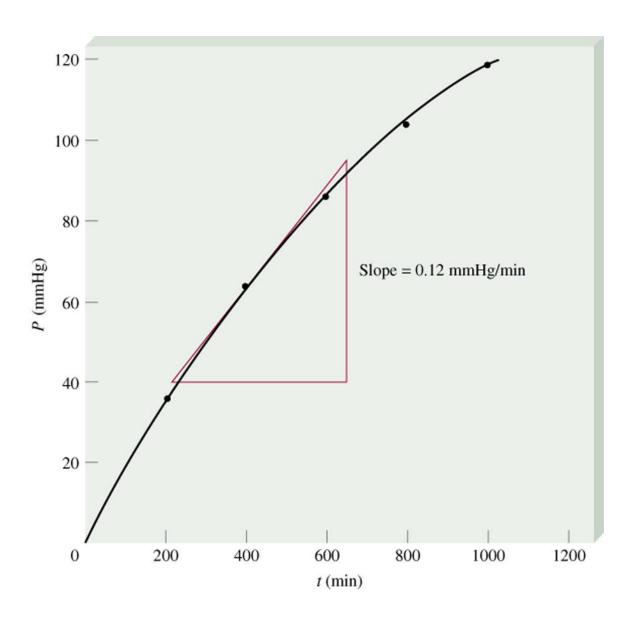
$$P = \frac{n}{V} RT = [O_{2}]RT$$

$$[O_{2}] = \frac{1}{RT} P$$

rate = 
$$\frac{\Delta[O_2]}{\Delta t} = \frac{1}{RT} \frac{\Delta P}{\Delta t}$$

measure  $\Delta P$  over time

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



# Reaction Rates and Stoichiometry

$$2A \longrightarrow B$$

Two moles of A disappear for each mole of B that is formed.

rate = 
$$-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta[A]}{\Delta t}$$
 rate =  $\frac{\Delta[B]}{\Delta t}$ 

$$aA + bB \longrightarrow cC + dD$$

rate = 
$$-\frac{1}{a} \frac{\Delta[A]}{\Delta t} = -\frac{1}{b} \frac{\Delta[B]}{\Delta t} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\Delta[C]}{\Delta t} = \frac{1}{d} \frac{\Delta[D]}{\Delta t}$$



Example 4.1Write the rate expression for the following reaction:

$$CH_4(g) + 2D_2(g) \longrightarrow CO_2(g) + 2H_2O(g)$$

rate = 
$$-\frac{\Delta[CH_4]}{\Delta t}$$
 =  $-\frac{1}{2}\frac{\Delta[O_2]}{\Delta t}$  =  $\frac{\Delta[CO_2]}{\Delta t}$  =  $\frac{1}{2}\frac{\Delta[H_2O]}{\Delta t}$ 



Example 4.2 : Consider the reaction  $4NO_2(g) + O_2(g) \longrightarrow 2N_2O_5(g)$  Suppose that, at a particular moment during the reaction, molecular oxygen is reacting at the rate of 0.024 M/s. (a) at what rate is  $N_2O_5$  being formed? (b) at what rate is  $NO_2$  reacting?

rate = 
$$-\frac{1}{4} \frac{\Delta[NO_2]}{\Delta t} = -\frac{\Delta[O_2]}{\Delta t} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta[N_2O_5]}{\Delta t}$$
  
 $\frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta[N_2O_5]}{\Delta t} = 0.024$   $-\frac{1}{4} \frac{\Delta[NO_2]}{\Delta t} = 0.024$   
 $\frac{\Delta[N_2O_5]}{\Delta t} = 0.024 \times 2 = 0.048 \text{ M/s}$   $\frac{\Delta[NO_2]}{\Delta t} = -0.024 \times 4 = -0.096 \text{ M/s}$ 

#### The Rate Law

The *rate law* expresses the relationship of the rate of a reaction to the rate constant and the concentrations of the reactants raised to some powers.

$$aA + bB \longrightarrow cC + dD$$

Rate = 
$$k [A] \times B$$



reaction is **xth order** in A reaction is **yth order** in B reaction is **(x +y)th order overall** 

#### Example 4.3 $F_2(g) + 2CIO_2(g) \longrightarrow 2FCIO_2(g)$

rate = 
$$k [F_2]^x [ClO_2]^y$$

$$2.4 \times 10^{-3} = k[0.2]^{x}[0.01]^{y}$$

$$1.2 \times 10^{-3} = k [0.1]^{x} [0.01]^{y}$$

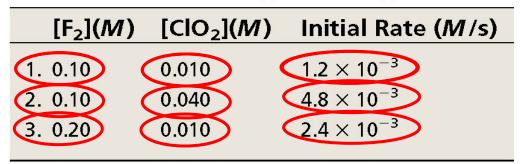
$$2 = 2^{x}$$
  $X = 1$ 

$$4.8 \times 10^{-3} = k[0.1]^{x}[0.04]^{y}$$

$$1.2 \times 10^{-3} = k [0.1]^{x} [0.01]^{y}$$

$$4 = 4^{y}$$
  $y = 1$ 

# **Table 13.2** Rate Data for the Reaction between F<sub>2</sub> and ClO<sub>2</sub>



rate = 
$$k [F_2][ClO_2]$$

$$K = \text{rate } / [F_2][ClO_2]$$

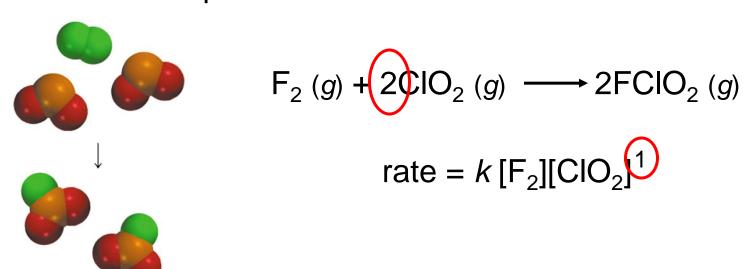
$$K = 1.2 \times 10^{-3} / 0.10 \times 0.01$$

$$K = 4.8 \times 10^{-3} / 0.10 \times 0.040$$

$$K = 2.4 \times 10^{-3} / 0.20 \times 0.010$$

# Rate Laws

- Rate laws are always determined experimentally.
- Reaction order is always defined in terms of reactant (not product) concentrations.
- The order of a reactant is not related to the stoichiometric coefficient of the reactant in the balanced chemical equation.





Example 4.4:Determine the rate law and calculate the rate constant for the following reaction from the following data:  $S_2O_8^{2-}(aq) + 3I^-(aq) \longrightarrow 2SO_4^{2-}(aq) + I_3^-(aq)$ 

Experiment	[S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub> <sup>2-</sup> ]	[1-]	Initial Rate ( <i>M</i> /s)
1	0.08	0.034	2.2 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>
2	0.08	0.017	1.1 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>
3	0.16	0.017	2.2 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>

rate = 
$$k [S_2O_8^{2-}]^x[I^-]^y$$
  
 $y = 1$   
 $x = 1$   
rate =  $k [S_2O_8^{2-}][I^-]$ 

Double [I<sup>-</sup>], rate doubles (experiment 1 & 2)

Double [S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub><sup>2-</sup>], rate doubles (experiment 2 & 3)

$$k = \frac{\text{rate}}{[S_2 O_8^{2-}][I^-]} = \frac{2.2 \times 10^{-4} \, \text{M/s}}{(0.08 \, \text{M})(0.034 \, \text{M})} = 0.08 / \text{M·s}$$

#### Example 4.5: Drive rate Law and k for

$$CH_3 CHO (g) \rightarrow CH_4 (g) + CO (g)$$

#### For experimental data for rate of disappearance of CH<sub>3</sub>CHO

Exp	[CH3CHO]	R(mol/L.s)
1	0.1	0.02
2	0.2	0.081
3	0.3	0.81
4	0.4	0.318

rate =  $k [CH_3CHO]^x$ 

Rate 2 = 
$$\frac{0.081}{0.02}$$
 = 4 =  $\frac{k (0.2)^x}{k (0.1)^x}$   $\Rightarrow$  4= (2)<sup>x</sup>  $\Rightarrow$  x = 2

rate =  $k [CH_3CHO]^2$ 

$$R_1 = 0.02 = k (0.1)^2$$
  $\longrightarrow$   $0.02 = 0.01 k$   $\longrightarrow$   $k = 0.02 / 0.01 = 2.0 L / mol .s$ 

## First-Order Reactions

$$rate = -\frac{\Delta[A]}{\Delta t} \qquad rate = k[A]$$

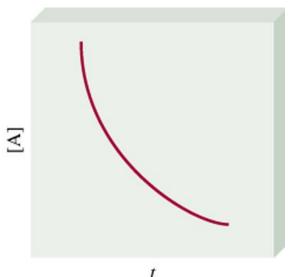
$$rate = k [A]$$

$$k = \frac{\text{rate}}{[A]} = \frac{M/s}{M} = 1/s \text{ or s}^{-1}$$

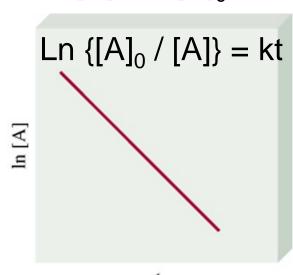
$$-\frac{\Delta[\mathsf{A}]}{\Delta t} = k\,[\mathsf{A}]$$

[A] is the concentration of A at any time t  $[A]_0$  is the concentration of A at time t=0

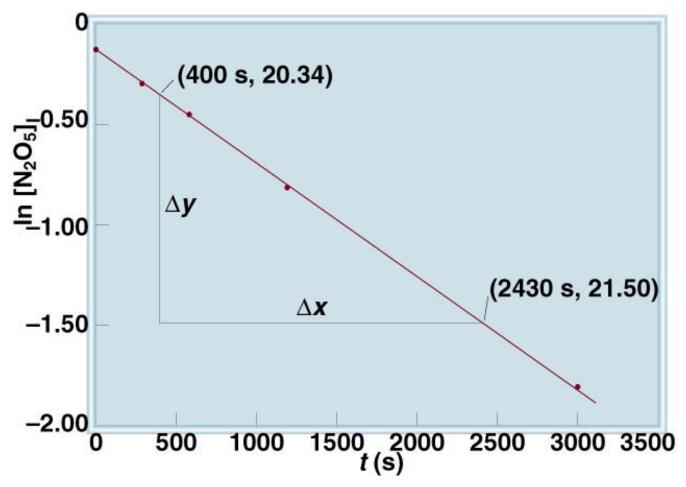
$$[A] = [A]_0 \exp(-kt)$$



$$ln[A] = ln[A]_0 - kt$$



#### Decomposition of N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>



For gas-phase reactions we can replace the concentration terms with the pressures of the gaseous reactant



Example 4.6: The reaction  $2A \longrightarrow B$  is first order in A with a rate constant of  $2.8 \times 10^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  at  $80^{\circ}\text{C}$ . How long will it take for A to decrease from  $0.88 \ M$  to  $0.14 \ M$ ?

$$[A]_0 = 0.88 M$$
  
 $[A]_0 / [A] = kt$   
 $[A]_0 = 0.14 M$ 

$$t = \frac{\ln \frac{[A]_0}{[A]}}{k} = \frac{\ln \frac{0.88 M}{0.14 M}}{2.8 \times 10^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}} = 66 \text{ s}$$

Example 4.7: The conversion of cyclopropane to propene in the gas phase is a first-order reaction with a rate constant of 6.7x10<sup>-4</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> at 500°C.

- (a) If the initial concentration of cyclopropane was 0.25 M, what is the concentration after 8.8 min?
- (b) How long (in minutes) will it take for the concentration of cyclopropane to decrease from 0.25 M to 0.15 M?
- (c)How long (in minutes) will it take to convert 74 percent of the starting material?
- a)  $[A]_0 = 0.25 M$ , t = 8.8 min = 8.8 x 60 = 528 s,  $k = 6.7 \text{x} 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , [A] = ?  $\ln[A] = \ln[A]_0 kt$   $= \ln(0.25) ((6.7 \text{x} 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}) (528))$  = -1.74  $[A] = e^{-1.74} = 0.18M$

b) 
$$[A]_0 = 0.25 \ M, [A] = 15M, k = 6.7x10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}, t = ?$$

$$[A]_0 = \ln[A]_0 - kt$$

$$[A]_0 = -kt$$

$$[A]_0 = -kt$$

$$t = \frac{\ln[A] - \ln[A]_0}{-k} = \frac{\ln[A]_0 - \ln[A]}{k} = \frac{\ln \frac{[A]_0}{A}}{\ln \frac{[A]_0}{[A]}} = \frac{\ln \frac{0.25}{0.15}}{6.7 \times 10^{-4}}$$

$$= 7.6 \times 10^{2} \text{ s}$$

$$= (7.6 \times 10^{2}) / 60 = 13 \text{ min}$$

C) The converted concentration will be 
$$0.25 \times (74/100) = 0.185 \text{ M}$$
  
The remaining concentration will be  $= 0.25 - 0.185 = 0.065 \text{ M}$   
[A]<sub>0</sub> =  $0.25 M$ , [A] =  $0.065 M$ , k=  $6.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , t= ?

$$\frac{\ln[A] = \ln[A]_0 - kt}{\ln[A] - \ln[A]_0} = \frac{\ln[A]_0 - \ln[A]}{k} = \frac{\ln \frac{[A]_0}{[A]}}{\frac{[A]}{k}} = \frac{\ln \frac{0.25}{0.065}}{6.7 \times 10^{-4}}$$

 $= (2.0 \times 10^{2}) / 60 = 33 \text{ min}$ 

 $= 2.0 \times 10^{3} \text{ s}$ 

## **First-Order Reactions**

The *half-life*,  $t_{1/2}$ , is the time required for the concentration of a reactant to decrease to half of its initial concentration.

$$t_{1/2} = t$$
 when [A] = [A]<sub>0</sub>/2

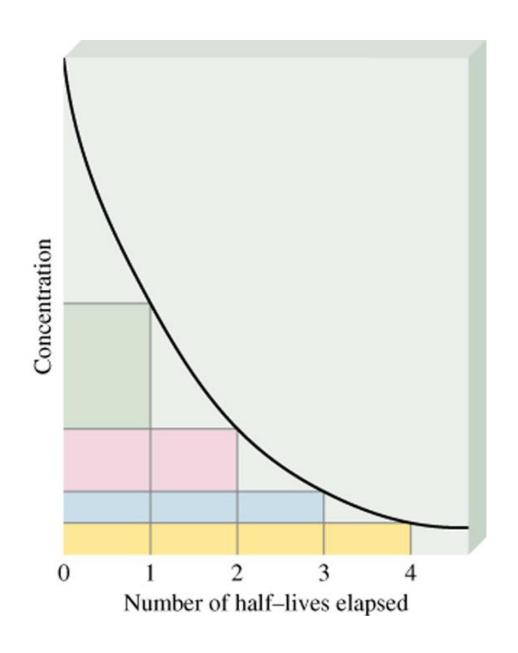
$$t_{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\ln \frac{1}{4} \int_{0}^{1} \frac{1}{k}}{k} = \frac{\ln 2}{k} = \frac{0.693}{k}$$



What is the half-life of  $N_2O_5$  if it decomposes with a rate constant of 5.7 x 10<sup>-4</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>?

$$t_{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\ln 2}{k} = \frac{0.693}{5.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}} = 1200 \text{ s} = 20 \text{ minutes}$$

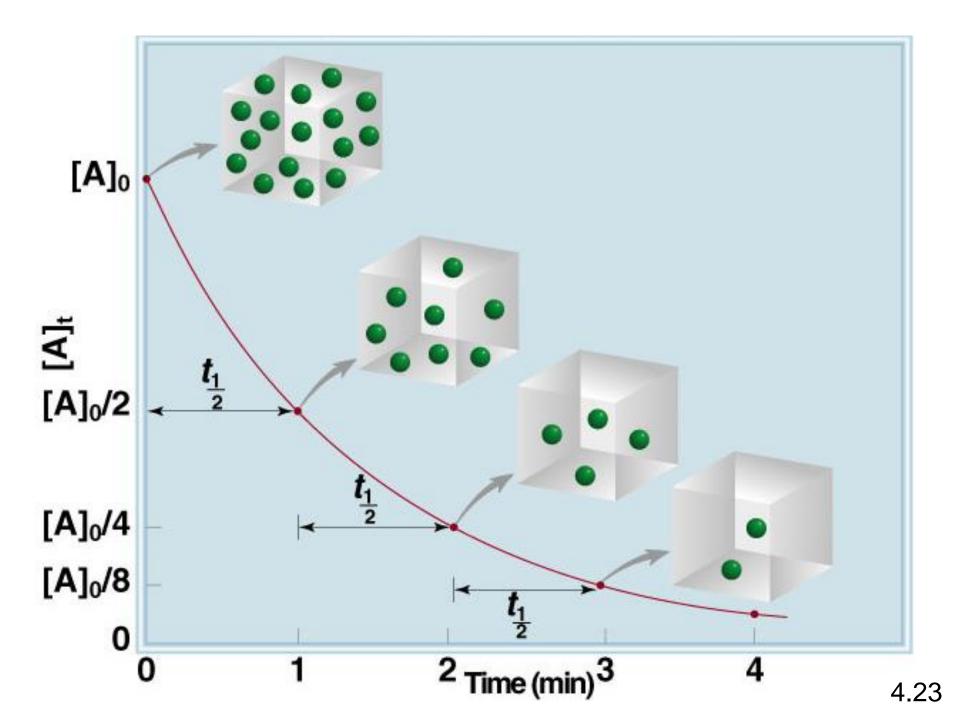
How do you know decomposition is first order?



#### First-order reaction

 $A \longrightarrow product$ 

# of	
half-lives	$[A] = [A]_0/n$
1	2
2	4
3	8
4	16



# Second-Order Reactions

$$rate = -\frac{\Delta[A]}{\Delta t} \qquad rate = k [A]^2$$

$$rate = k [A]^2$$

$$k = \frac{\text{rate}}{[A]^2} = \frac{M/s}{M^2} = 1/M \cdot s$$

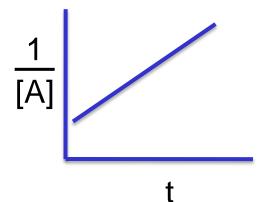
$$-\frac{\Delta[A]}{\Delta t} = k [A]^2$$

$$\frac{1}{[A]} = \frac{1}{[A]_0} + kt$$

[A] is the concentration of A at any time t  $[A]_0$  is the concentration of A at time t=0

$$t_{1/2} = t$$
 when [A] = [A]<sub>0</sub>/2

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{1}{k[A]_0}$$



Example 4.8 : lodine atoms combine to form molecular iodine in the gas phase

$$I(g) + I(g) \longrightarrow I_2(g)$$

This reaction follows second-order kinetics and has the high rate constant 7.0 x 10<sup>9</sup> /M.s at 23°C. (a) If the initial concentration of I was 0.086 M, calculate the concentration after 2.0 min. (b) Calculate the half-life of the reaction if the initial concentration of I is 0.60 M and if it is 0.42 M.

a) $[A]_0 = 0.086 M$ ,  $k = 7.0 \times 10^9 / M.s$ ,  $t = 2 min = 2 \times 60 = 120 s, [A] = ?$ 

$$\frac{1}{[A]} = \frac{1}{[A]_0} + kt$$

$$\frac{1}{[A]} = \frac{1}{0.086} + (7.0 \times 10^9 \times 120)$$

$$[A] = 1.2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ M}$$

$$\frac{1}{[A]} = \frac{1}{[A]_0} + kt$$

$$\frac{1}{[A]} = \frac{1}{0.086} + (7.0 \times 10^9 \times 120)$$

$$[A] = 1.2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ M}$$
b)  $t_{1/2} = \frac{1}{k[A]_0}$ 

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{1}{7.0 \times 10^9 \times 0.60} = 2.4 \times 10^{-10} \text{ s}$$

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{1}{k[A]_0}$$

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{1}{7.0 \times 10^9 \times 0.42} = 3.4 \times 10^{-10} \text{ s}$$

# **Zero-Order Reactions**

rate = 
$$-\frac{\Delta[A]}{\Delta t}$$
 rate =  $k[A]^0 = k$ 

rate = 
$$k [A]^0 = k$$

$$k = \frac{\text{rate}}{[A]^0} = M/s$$

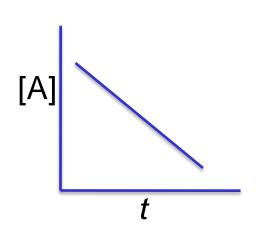
$$-\frac{\Delta[\mathsf{A}]}{\Delta t} = k$$

$$[A] = [A]_0 - kt$$

[A] is the concentration of A at any time t  $[A]_0$  is the concentration of A at time t=0

$$t_{1/2} = t$$
 when [A] = [A]<sub>0</sub>/2

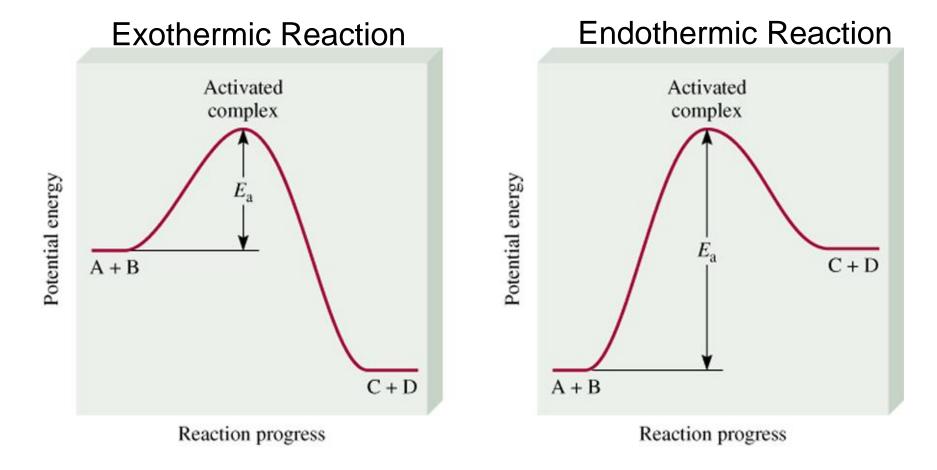
$$t_{1/2} = \frac{[A]_0}{2k}$$



# Summary of the Kinetics of Zero-Order, First-Order and Second-Order Reactions

Order	Rate Law	Concentration-Time Equation	Half-Life
0	rate = k	$[A] = [A]_0 - kt$	$t_{1/2} = \frac{[A]_0}{2k}$
1	rate = k[A]	$ln[A] = ln[A]_0 - kt$	$t_{1/2} = \frac{\ln 2}{k}$
2	$rate = k [A]^2$	$\frac{1}{[A]} = \frac{1}{[A]_0} + kt$	$t_{1/2} = \frac{1}{k[A]_0}$

#### $A + B \longrightarrow C + D$

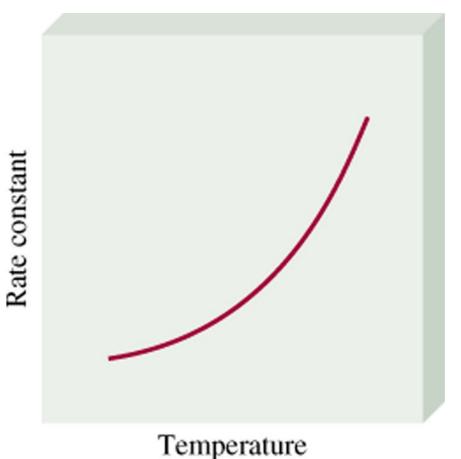


The activation energy  $(E_a)$  is the minimum amount of energy required to initiate a chemical reaction.

#### **Collision Theory**

- ✓ Molecules must collide to react.
- ✓ More collisions per unit time should lead to faster reaction.
- ✓ Colliding molecules must have a minimum amount of kinetic energy for a collision result in products (otherwise they just bounce off each other).
- ✓ Minimum collision energy needed is called the activation energy , E<sub>a</sub>
- ✓ Raising the temperature of a reaction raises the kinetic energy of the reactants and increases the number of collisions per unit time.
- ✓ Raising the temperature should lead to faster reactions.
- ✓ At some point, when two molecules collide and react, there is a highest energy state called the transition state This barrier is the activation for the reaction to occur.

# Temperature Dependence of the Rate Constant



$$k = A \cdot \exp(-E_a/RT)$$
  
(Arrhenius equation)

 $E_a$  is the activation energy (J/mol)

R is the gas constant (8.314 J/K•mol)

*T* is the absolute temperature

A is the frequency factor

$$lnk = lnA - E_a/RT$$

$$0.00$$
 $-1.00$ 
 $-1.00$ 
 $-2.00$ 
 $-3.00$ 
 $-3.00$ 
 $-4.00$ 
 $-5.00$ 
 $1.20 \times 10^{-3}$ 
 $1.30 \times 10^{-3}$ 
 $1.40 \times 10^{-3}$ 
 $1/T (K^{-1})$ 

$$\ln k = -\frac{E_a}{R} \frac{1}{T} + \ln A$$

$$\ln k_1 = -\frac{E_a}{R} \frac{1}{T_1} + \ln A$$

$$\ln k_2 = - \frac{E_a}{R} \frac{1}{T_2} + \ln A$$

In 
$$\frac{k_1}{k_2} = \frac{E_a}{R} \left( \frac{T_1 - T_2}{T_1 T_2} \right)$$

Example 4.9: The rate constant of a first-order reaction is 3.46 x10<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> at 298 K. What is the rate constant at 350 K if the activation energy for the reaction is 50.2 kJ/mol?

In 
$$\frac{k_1}{k_2} = \frac{E_a}{R} \left( \frac{T_1 - T_2}{T_1 T_2} \right)$$

$$\ln \frac{3.46 \times 10^{-2}}{k_2} = \frac{50.2 \times 10^3}{8.314} \left( \frac{298 - 350}{298 \times 350} \right)$$

$$\ln \frac{3.46 \times 10^{-2}}{k_2} = -3.01$$

$$\frac{3.46 \times 10^{-2}}{k_2} = e^{-3.01} = 0.0493$$

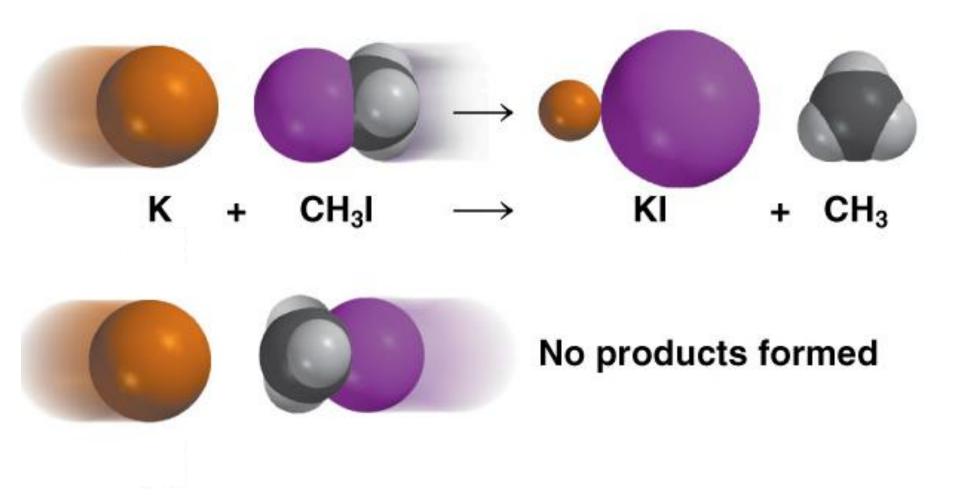
$$k_2 = 0.702 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Example 4.10: The activation energy of a certain reaction is 76.7 KJ/mol How many times faster will the reaction occur at 50°C than at 0°C?

In 
$$\frac{k_1}{k_2} = \frac{E_a}{R} \left( \frac{T_1 - T_2}{T_1 T_2} \right)$$

$$\ln \frac{k_1}{k_2} = \frac{76.7 \times 10^3}{8.314} \left( \frac{273 - 323}{273 \times 323} \right)$$

In 
$$\frac{k_1}{k_2} = -5.23$$
  
 $\frac{k_1}{k_2} = 0.00535$   
 $k_1 = 0.00535$   $k_2 \longrightarrow k_2 = 187 k_1$ 



#### **Reaction Mechanisms**

The overall progress of a chemical reaction can be represented at the molecular level by a series of simple *elementary steps* or *elementary reactions*.

The sequence of **elementary steps** that leads to product formation is the *reaction mechanism*.

$$2NO(g) + O_2(g) \longrightarrow 2NO_2(g)$$

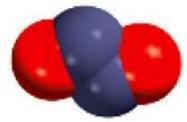
N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> is detected during the reaction!

Elementary step: NO + NO 
$$\longrightarrow$$
 N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

+ Elementary step: 
$$N_2O_2 + O_2 \longrightarrow 2NO_2$$

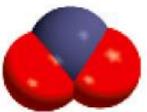
Overall reaction: 
$$2NO + O_2 \longrightarrow 2NO_2$$

$$2NO(g) + O_2(g) \longrightarrow 2NO_2(g)$$











*Intermediates* are species that appear in a reaction mechanism **but not** in the overall balanced equation.

An **intermediate** is always formed in an early elementary step and consumed in a later elementary step.

Elementary step: 
$$NO + NO \longrightarrow N_2O_2$$
  
+ Elementary step:  $N_2O_2 \rightarrow O_2 \longrightarrow 2NO_2$   
Overall reaction:  $2NO + O_2 \longrightarrow 2NO_2$ 

The *molecularity of a reaction* is the number of molecules reacting in an elementary step.

- Unimolecular reaction elementary step with 1 molecule
- Bimolecular reaction elementary step with 2 molecules
- Termolecular reaction elementary step with 3 molecules

### Rate Laws and Elementary Steps

Unimolecular reaction 
$$A \longrightarrow products$$
 rate =  $k[A]$ 

Bimolecular reaction 
$$A + B \longrightarrow products$$
 rate =  $k[A][B]$ 

Bimolecular reaction 
$$A + A \longrightarrow \text{products}$$
 rate =  $k [A]^2$ 

Writing plausible reaction mechanisms:

- The sum of the elementary steps must give the overall balanced equation for the reaction.
- The rate-determining step should predict the same rate law that is determined experimentally.

The *rate-determining step* is the **slowest** step in the sequence of steps leading to product formation.



The experimental rate law for the reaction between NO<sub>2</sub> and CO to produce NO and CO<sub>2</sub> is rate =  $k[NO_2]^2$ . The reaction is believed to occur via two steps:

Step 1: 
$$NO_2 + NO_2 \longrightarrow NO + NO_3$$
  
Step 2:  $NO_3 + CO \longrightarrow NO_2 + CO_2$ 

Step 2: 
$$(NO_3) + CO \longrightarrow NO_2 + CO_2$$

What is the equation for the overall reaction?

$$NO_2 + CO \longrightarrow NO + CO_2$$

What is the intermediate?

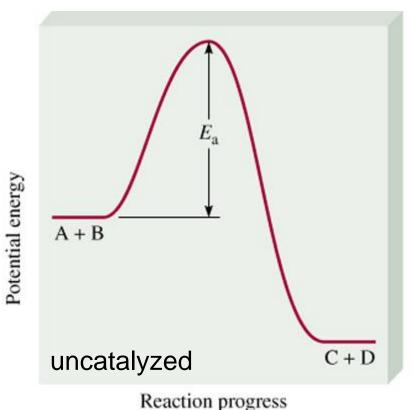
 $NO_3$ 

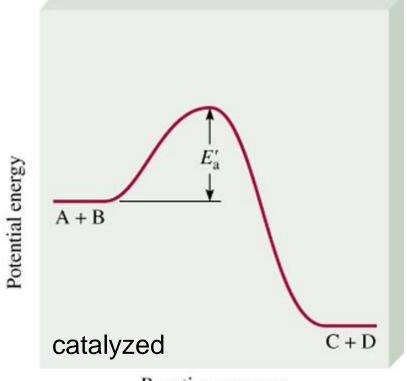
What can you say about the relative rates of steps 1 and 2?

rate =  $k[NO_2]^2$  is the rate law for step 1 so step 1 must be slower than step 2

A *catalyst* is a substance that increases the rate of a chemical reaction without itself being consumed.

$$k = A \cdot \exp(-E_a/RT)$$
  $E_a \downarrow k \uparrow$ 





Reaction progress

$$rate_{catalyzed} > rate_{uncatalyzed}$$
  
 $E'_a < E_a$ 

# Catalysts

- Catalyst substance that increases the rate of a reaction without undergoing permanent chemical change itself.
- A catalyst lowers the activation energy for the reaction .
- Usually, by providing a completely different mechanism.
  (Alters the reaction mechanism)
- A catalyst speeds up the forward and back reaction to the same extent. Because adding a catalyst doesn't affect the relative rates of the two reactions, it can't affect the position of equilibrium

In *heterogeneous catalysis*, the reactants and the catalysts are in different phases.

- Haber synthesis of ammonia
- Ostwald process for the production of nitric acid
- Catalytic converters

In *homogeneous catalysis*, the reactants and the catalysts are dispersed in a single phase, usually liquid.

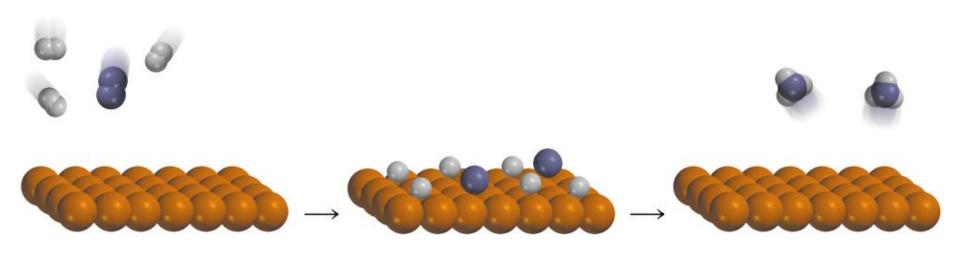
- Acid catalysis
- Base catalysis

$$2N_2 O(s) \rightarrow 2N_2 (g) + O_2 (g)$$
, Ea =245 KJ, No catalyst

$$2N_2O(s) + \underline{Cl_2} > 2N_2(g) + O_2(g) + CL_2$$
, Ea = 140 KJ, homogeneous catalyst.

$$2N_2O \xrightarrow{Au} 2N_2(g) + O_2(g)$$
, Ea = 120 KJ, heterogeneous.

#### **Haber Process**



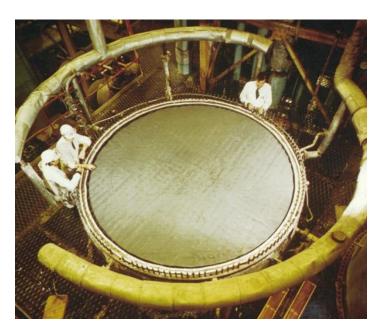
$$N_2(g) + 3H_2(g) \xrightarrow{\text{Fe/Al}_2O_3/\text{K}_2O} 2NH_3(g)$$

#### **Ostwald Process**

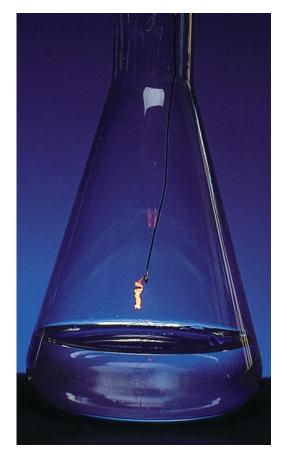
$$4NH_3(g) + 5O_2(g) \xrightarrow{\text{Pt catalyst}} 4NO(g) + 6H_2O(g)$$

$$2NO(g) + O_2(g) \longrightarrow 2NO_2(g)$$

$$2NO_2(g) + H_2O(f) \longrightarrow HNO_2(aq) + HNO_3(aq)$$

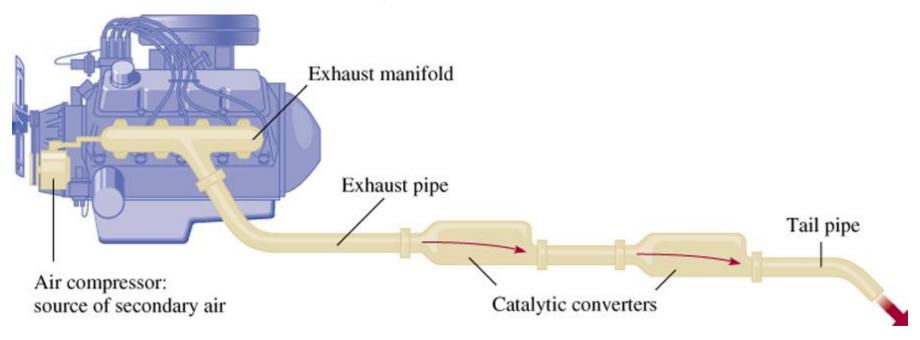


Pt-Rh catalysts used in Ostwald process



Hot Pt wire over NH<sub>3</sub> solution 4.44

## **Catalytic Converters**



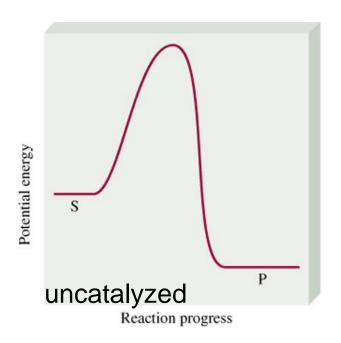
CO + Unburned Hydrocarbons + 
$$O_2 \xrightarrow{\text{catalytic}} CO_2 + H_2O$$

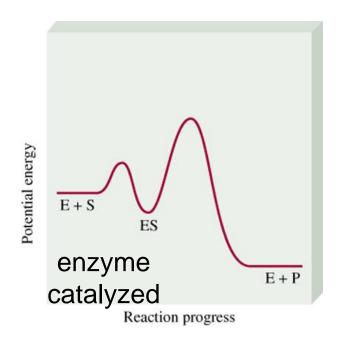


$$2NO + 2NO_2 \xrightarrow{\text{catalytic}} 2N_2 + 3O_2$$

# **Enzyme Catalysis** Products Substrate Enzyme Enzyme-substrate Enzyme complex

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$$rate = \frac{\Delta[P]}{\Delta t}$$

rate = 
$$k$$
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