

# Chapter 11 – Rates

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- General Rate = Change in concentration per change in time.
- Rate is dependent on concentration – More collisions, more reactions, faster rate.
- Rate Law Formula =  $k[A]^m$ , where  $k$  is a constant,  $A$  is the reactant, and  $m$  is the order.
- If there are two reactants, then the rate =  $k[A]^m[B]^n$ , where  $B$  is the other reactant, and  $n$  is the order for the second reactant
- Order – Tells how rate changes when concentration changes (0, 1, 2)
- Example: Calculate  $k$  for  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHO} \longrightarrow \text{CH}_4 + \text{CO}$

Concentration:	.1	.2	.3	.4
Rate:	.085	.34	.076	1.4

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{Rate_1}{Rate_2} &= \left( \frac{(\text{CH}_3\text{CHO})_1}{(\text{CH}_3\text{CHO})_2} \right)^m \\ \frac{.085}{.34} &= \left( \frac{.1}{.2} \right)^m \\ m &= 2 \\ .085 &= k(.1)^2 \\ k &= 8.5\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

- Example: Calculate  $k$  for  $2\text{NO} + \text{Cl}_2 \longrightarrow 2\text{NOCl}$

Experiment	NO	Cl <sub>2</sub>	Rate
1	.0125	.0255	$2.27 \cdot 10^{-5}$
2	.0125	.051	$4.55 \cdot 10^{-5}$
3	.025	.0255	$9.08 \cdot 10^{-5}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{Rate_1}{Rate_3} &= \left( \frac{(NO)_1}{(NO)_3} \right)^m \\
\frac{Rate_1}{Rate_2} &= \left( \frac{(Cl_2)_1}{(Cl_2)_2} \right)^n \\
\frac{2.27}{9.08} &= \left( \frac{.0125}{.025} \right)^m \\
m &= 2 \\
\frac{2.27}{4.5} &= \left( \frac{.0225}{.051} \right)^n \\
n &= 1 \\
2.27 \cdot 10^{-5} &= k[.0125]^2[.0255]^1 \\
k &= 5.7
\end{aligned}
\tag{2}$$