

Finding Reaction Order

- **Method of Initial rates** gives order for each reactant in the differential rate law
(rate = $k[A]^m[B]^n[C]^p$ etc)
- **Integrated rate law plots** identify order for each reactant by checking each plot to see if it is linear

Effect of concentration on Rate

- Differential rate laws will relate rate to concentrations. (how fast is it going when $[A] = \text{■}$?)
- Integrated rate laws will relate time to concentrations. (how long does it take to reach $[A] = \text{■}$)
 - ↳ **half life** is a special point: the time it takes to go from $[A]$ to $\frac{1}{2}[A]$. It can be used as a characteristic to identify order (like the I.R.L.) or as a shortcut to finding time → eg. time to 75% completion is $2 \times t_{1/2}$.

Effect of temperature on rate

- Differential and integrated rate laws are written for a single set of conditions → changing T will change k .
- The **Arrhenius equation** describes the relation between temp and rate constant. You can also use a plot of $(\ln k)$ vs $(1/T)$ or compare 2 measurements of k and T to find the activation energy

Collision Theory (Kinetic Molecular Theory)

- Conceptually explains the relation between rate and concentration

- and temperature, activation energy, concentration, and physical state
- A "successful" collision that results in a reaction must
 - have enough energy
 - be at a "good orientation"
 - More collisions or more energetic collisions will ↑ rate of reaction
 - Collisions also describe the **mechanism** of a reaction (by the elementary steps)
 - catalysts speed up a reaction by altering the mechanism

== That's not everything from Ch. 14, but I think it's a quick rundown of what we went over so fast this week

Try the text problems and play around with the simulation (linked in the notes) to help it settle

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