

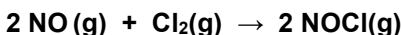


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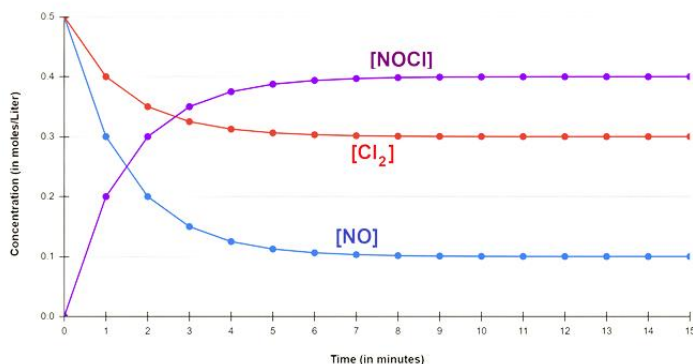
# Kinetics

Use this *Key Concepts* Worksheet to follow along with the Unit 5 Summary Video.

### Topic 1 – Reaction Rates



Change in Concentration for the Production of NOCl



What do you notice about the rates of NO and NOCl?

What do you notice about the coefficients of NO and NOCl?

How does the rate of Cl<sub>2</sub> compare to the rate of NO?

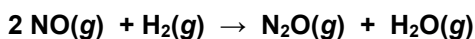
Determine the rate of change of [NOCl] in the time interval from 0 to 1 minute.

If the rate of change of [NOCl] in the time interval from 0 to 1 minute is  $0.20 \frac{\text{M}}{\text{min}}$ , then estimate the rate of change of [Cl<sub>2</sub>] over the same time interval.

### Factors Affecting the Rate of a Reaction

1. Temperature
2. Concentration
3. Particle Size / Surface Area
4. Presence of a Catalyst
5. Chemical Nature of the Reactants

### Topic 2 – Introduction to Rate Law



Exp.	[NO]	[H <sub>2</sub> ]	Initial Rate (M/s)
1	0.30 M	0.35 M	0.00284
2	0.60 M	0.35 M	0.0113
3	0.60 M	0.70 M	0.0227

What is the order of the reaction with respect to NO?

What is the order of the reaction with respect to H<sub>2</sub>?

Write the rate law for this reaction.

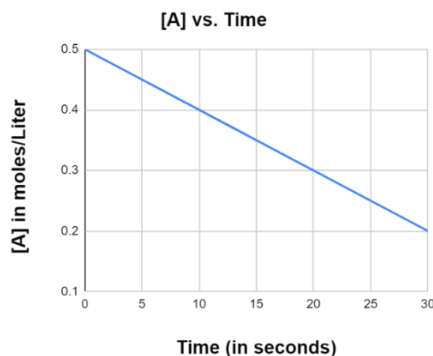
What is the overall order of this reaction?

Calculate the rate constant *k* for the reaction at this temperature, with correct units.

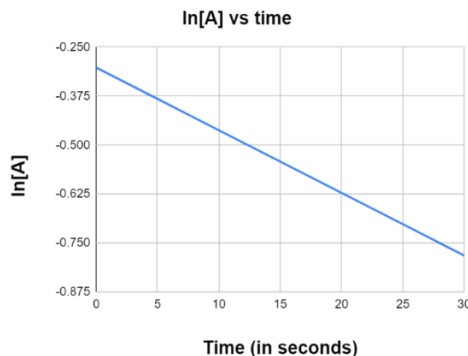


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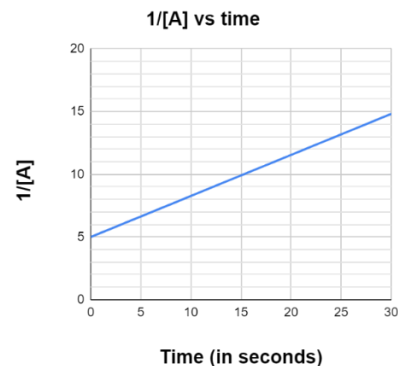
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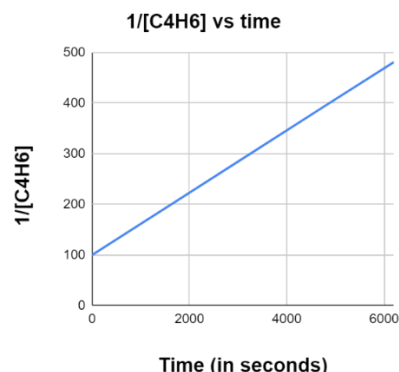
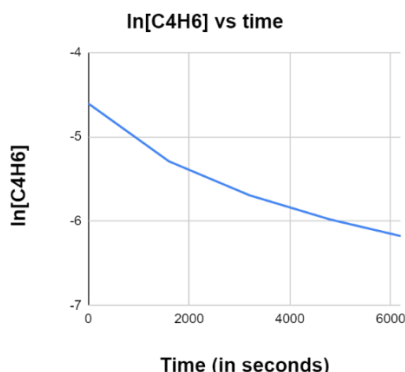
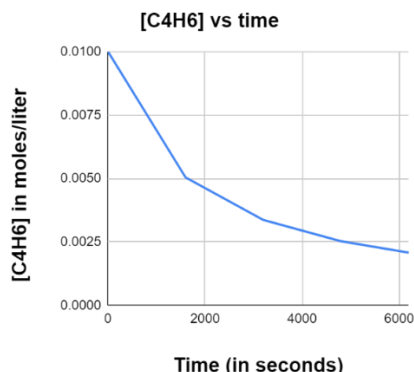
If this plot is a straight line,  
the reaction is 1<sup>st</sup> order.



If this plot is a straight line,  
the reaction is 2<sup>nd</sup> order.

The rate constant  $k$  is equal to the absolute value of the slope of the line.

The reaction  $2 \text{C}_4\text{H}_6 \rightarrow \text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}$  is studied. The following graphs are produced and used to analyze the reaction.



(a) What is the order of this reaction with respect to  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_6$ ?

(b) Write the rate law for this reaction.

### Topic 3 – Concentration Changes Over Time

#### Integrated Rate Laws

For a 1<sup>st</sup> order process:

$$\ln[A]_t - \ln[A]_0 = -k t$$

A first order reaction has a rate constant of  $4.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$  at 350 K. If the reactant begins with a concentration of 0.25 M, what will be the concentration after 95 s?

We are sometimes asked to calculate the **half-life** of a first-order process.

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{k}$$



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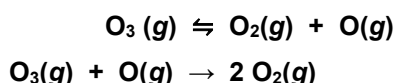
In the previous problem, the first-order reaction had a rate constant of  $4.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$ . What is the half-life of this process, in seconds?

	Rate Law	Units for $k$	Integrated Rate Law
0 <sup>th</sup> order	Rate = $k$	$M \text{ s}^{-1}$	$[A]_t - [A]_0 = -k t$
1 <sup>st</sup> order	Rate = $k[A]$	$\text{s}^{-1}$	$\ln[A]_t - \ln[A]_0 = -k t$
2 <sup>nd</sup> order	Rate = $k[A]^2$	$M^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$	$\frac{1}{[A]_t} - \frac{1}{[A]_0} = k t$

#### Topic 4 – Elementary Reactions

This reaction has two elementary steps.

Each step can be described with its own rate law.

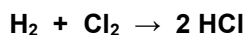


Bimolecular step – a step in which two molecules react

Unimolecular step – a step in which one molecule decays on its own

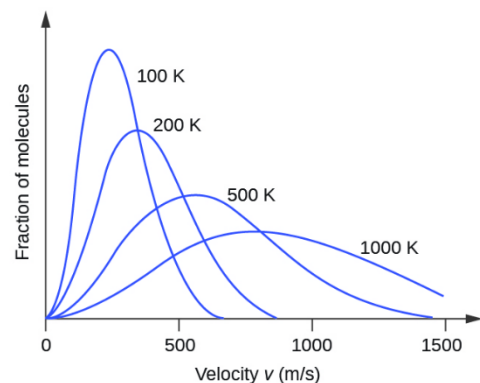
Termolecular steps (3 molecules) are quite rare (and usually very slow!)

#### Topic 5 – Collision Model



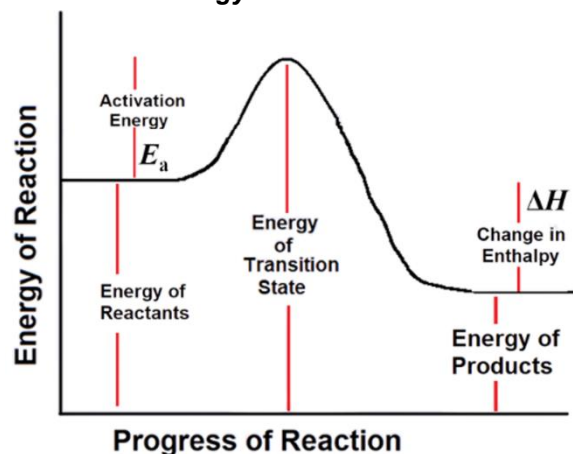
When the two molecules collide, they have to collide with

1. Sufficient Energy
2. Correct Orientation



Maxwell-Boltzmann Distribution Curve

#### Topic 6 – Reaction Energy Profile



Lowering the activation energy speeds up the reaction

Two 'humps' imply the reaction has two steps.

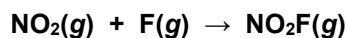
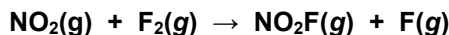


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### Topic 7 – Introduction to Reaction Mechanisms

Many reactions take place in two or more steps.

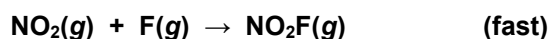
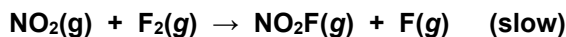


F is the *reaction intermediate*

If we know which of these two steps is the *slow step*, we can also determine the rate law!

### Topic 8 – Reaction Mechanism and Rate Law

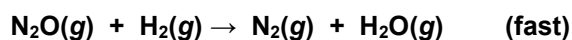
Determine the rate law of this two-step reaction.



The slow step determines the rate of the overall reaction.

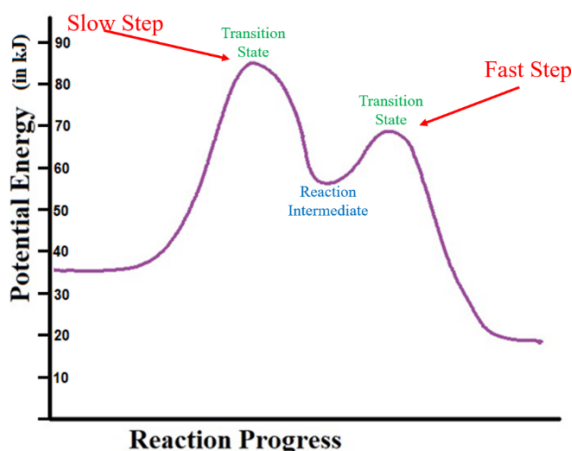
### Topic 9 – Pre-Equilibrium Approximation

Using the mechanism below, (a) Write the overall equation for the reaction, and (b) determine the rate law of this reaction.



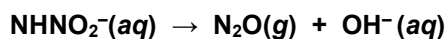
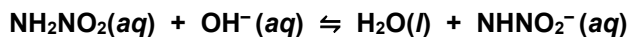
A reaction intermediate cannot appear in the rate law!

### Topic 10 – Multistep Reaction Energy Profile



### Topic 11 – Catalysis

Using the mechanism below, (a) Write the overall equation for the reaction, (b) identify the reaction intermediate, and (c) identify the catalyst.



The reaction *intermediate* is produced in an early step, used up in a later step =

The *catalyst* is present at both the beginning and end, but never consumed =