

HL Topic 6_ Kinetics - Guided Notes

Slide 3: Rate Law

- Equation for a reaction that gives its rate as a function of reactant _____.
- Expresses the relationship of the rxn rate to a **rate constant (k)** and the _____ of reactants.
- **X and y ARE NOT the same as the _____ coefficients in a reaction.**
- $aA + bB \rightarrow cC + dD$
- Rate = $k[A]^x[B]^y$
- **x and y tell you the order of the _____.**
- **x+y = overall _____ order**

Slide 4: Example-Reaction Orders

- $2H_2(g) + 2NO(g) \rightarrow 2H_2O(g) + N_2(g)$
- This reaction is experimentally determined to be second order with respect to NO and first order with respect to H_2
- The rate law would be written as:
- Rate = $k[NO]^2[H_2]$
- Overall reaction order: $2 + 1 = 3$ (third-order reaction)

Slide 5: How To Determine Rate Laws

- Experimentally
- Found using _____ rxn rates
- Reactant _____ are varied and initial rates measured.
- Relationships between changing reactant _____ and initial rates can then be deduced.

Slide 6: Determining Rate Laws Example

- Find two experiments where one reactant concentration changes and the other is held constant.
- Determine how the rates compare.
- Repeat for any additional reactants.
- If changing the reactant (A) concentration does not affect the rate, the reaction is zero-order with respect to A
- If changing the concentration of A produces a directly proportional change in rate, the reaction is first-order with respect to A.
- If changes in concentration of A lead to the square of that change in the rate of the reaction, the reaction is second-order with respect to A.
- $2H_2(g) + 2NO(g) \rightarrow 2H_2O(g) + N_2(g)$

Slide 7: Rate law:

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

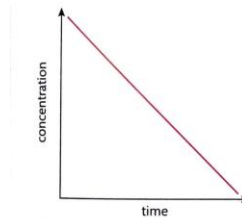
- Determining Rate Laws-Example
- $2+1 = 3$, Reaction is third-order overall
- To solve for k , simply plug in data from any trial into the rate law.
- Trials 3 and 4: $[\text{NO}]$ changes while $[\text{H}_2]$ stays the same.
- $0.300/0.200 = 1.5$
- $2.28 \times 10^{-5} / 1.01 \times 10^{-5} = 2.25$
- $(1.5)^2 = 2.25$, so **reaction is second-order with respect to NO**
- Trials 1 and 2: $[\text{H}_2]$ changes while $[\text{NO}]$ stays the same.
- Change in concentration: $0.200/0.100 = 2$
- Change in rate: $5.05 \times 10^{-6} / 2.53 \times 10^{-6} = 2$
- $(2)^1 = 2$, so **reaction is first-order with respect to H₂**

Slide 8: The Rate Constant (k)

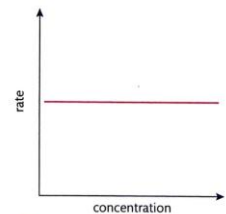
- Determined _____
- Unique for each _____
- Changes depending on _____

Slide 9: Reaction Orders: Zero-Order

- **Rate = $k[\text{A}]^0$**
- **Rate = k**
- **The _____ of A does not affect the rate of the reaction.**



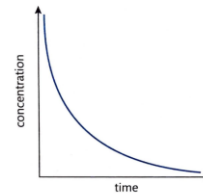
▲ **Figure 6.25** Concentration-time graph for a zero-order reaction.



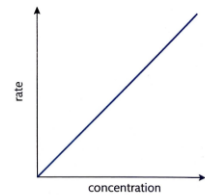
▲ **Figure 6.26** Rate-concentration graph for a zero-order reaction.

Slide 10: Reaction Orders: First-Order

- $\text{Rate} = k[\text{A}]$
- The rate is directly proportional to the _____ of A



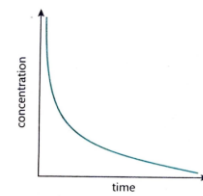
▲ **Figure 6.27** Concentration-time graph for a first-order reaction.



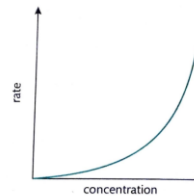
▲ **Figure 6.28** Rate-concentration graph for a first-order reaction.

Slide 11: Reaction Orders: Second-Order

- $\text{Rate} = k[\text{A}]^2$
- The rate is proportional to the square of the _____ of A



▲ **Figure 6.29** Concentration-time graph for a second-order reaction.

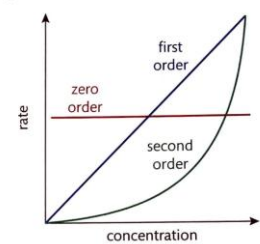
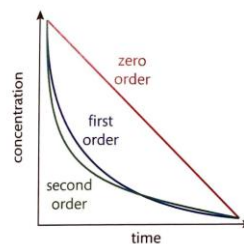


▲ **Figure 6.30** Rate-concentration graph for a second-order reaction.

Slide 12: Reaction Orders:

Summary

	Change in rate of zero-order reaction	Change in rate of first-order reaction	Change in rate of second-order reaction
[A] doubles	no change	rate doubles (x2)	rate x4
[A] triples	no change	rate triples (x3)	rate x9
[A] increases four-fold	no change	rate increases four-fold (x4)	rate x16



Slide 13: Turn and Talk

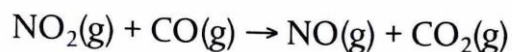
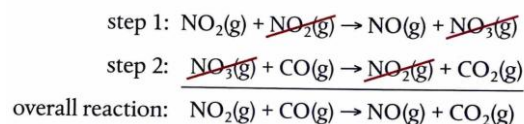
- The reaction of sodium thiosulfate (a clear liquid), with _____ acid, results in an opaque solution. Design a simple experiment to determine the rate and reaction order of this reaction.
- $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3(\text{aq}) + 2\text{HCl} \rightarrow 2\text{NaCl}(\text{aq}) + \text{SO}_2(\text{g}) + \text{S}(\text{s}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$

Slide 14: Reaction Mechanism

- _____ steps cannot be observed directly
- Reaction _____ are *theories* regarding the sequence of events in a reaction.
- While reaction _____ are based upon evidence, they cannot be absolutely **proven**.
- **The series of steps that make up a _____ reaction.**
- ***Note: The _____ steps in a reaction are called *elementary steps***

Slide 15: Intermediates

- The sum of the individual steps in a reaction mechanism must be equal to the overall reaction equation (_____ cancel).
- **Products made in one step of a reaction that are used in a _____ step.**



Slide 16: Molecularity

- _____: an elementary step involves a single reactant particle.
- _____: an elementary step involves two reactant particles.
- _____: elementary steps involving three reactant particles (these are rare)
- **Indicates the number of reactant species involved in an _____ step.**

Slide 17: Rate-Determining Step

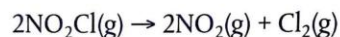
- **The slowest step in a _____ sequence.**
- Products of a reaction can only appear as fast as the products of the rate-_____ step.
- The rate-_____ step determines the overall rate of the reaction.
- Activation energy for the overall reaction is equal to the activation energy of the rate-_____ step.
- _____ species present after the first step.

Slide 18: Rate Laws:Determined by the Reaction Mechanism

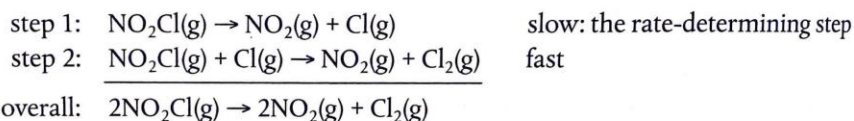
- Rate laws can be written for each step in a reaction _____.
- The concentration of reactants in these **elementary** steps are included in the rate law **for that step**, raised to the power of the _____ coefficient.
- The overall rate law comes from the **rate-_____ step** of the reaction.
- If a _____ only consists of one step, then the rate law for that step is the same as the rate law for the overall reaction.

Slide 19: Example

The reaction



is believed to have the following mechanism:



Deduce the rate expression and the overall order of the reaction.

Solution

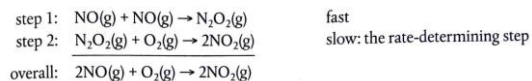
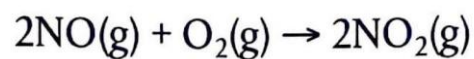
The rate expression for the overall reaction is that of step 1, the rate-determining step.

$$\text{rate} = k [\text{NO}_2\text{Cl}]$$

This is a first-order reaction.

Slide 20: You Try

- For the reaction:
- The following reaction mechanism has been proposed:
- What is the rate expression for the overall reaction and the reaction order?

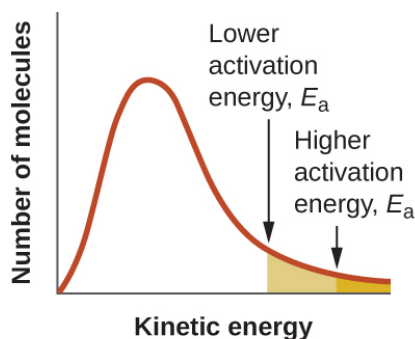


Slide 21: Nuggets of Wisdom

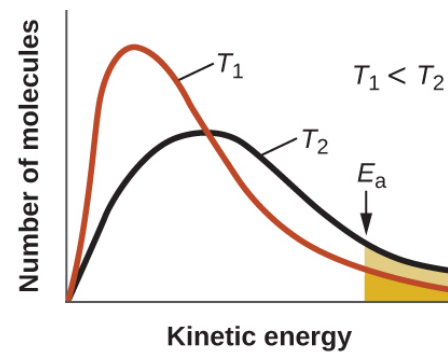
- The order of a reaction isn't dependent on the _____ coefficients of the overall reaction, but it IS dependent on the stoichiometric coefficients of the rate-determining step.
- For a zero-order reaction, the reactant does not affect the overall rate, but that is because it is not involved in the rate-_____ step.
- Remember, reaction mechanisms can not be proven, it can only be said they are consistent with _____ data.

Slide 22: The Rate Constant is Dependent on Temperature

- Increasing the temperature does not change the _____ of reactants.
- Since _____ increases rate, according to the rate law, an increase in temperature affects the value of the rate constant, k .
- **If activation energy is low to begin with, increasing the _____ does not have as large of an effect on the rate of reaction (if the activation energy is high, an increase in temperature would have a more significant effect on rate).**



(a)



(b)

Slide 23: Arrhenius Equation

- A _____ relationship that relates temperature, the rate constant, and activation energy.
- Can use the _____ dependence of the rate constant to determine the activation energy.
- This _____ is given in Section 1 of the data booklet.

$$k = Ae^{\frac{-E_a}{RT}}$$

A – Arrhenius constant (frequency factor)

E_a – activation energy (J mol^{-1})

R – gas constant ($8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$)

Slide 24: Arrhenius Plot

- Once the rate law is established, the rate constant can be determined for reactions at different _____, and an Arrhenius plot can be made to determine the activation energy.
- Slope = $-E_a/R$
- **This graph is created by taking the natural log of both sides of the _____ equation.**
- $E_a = \text{slope (K)} \times 8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

Slide 25: Example

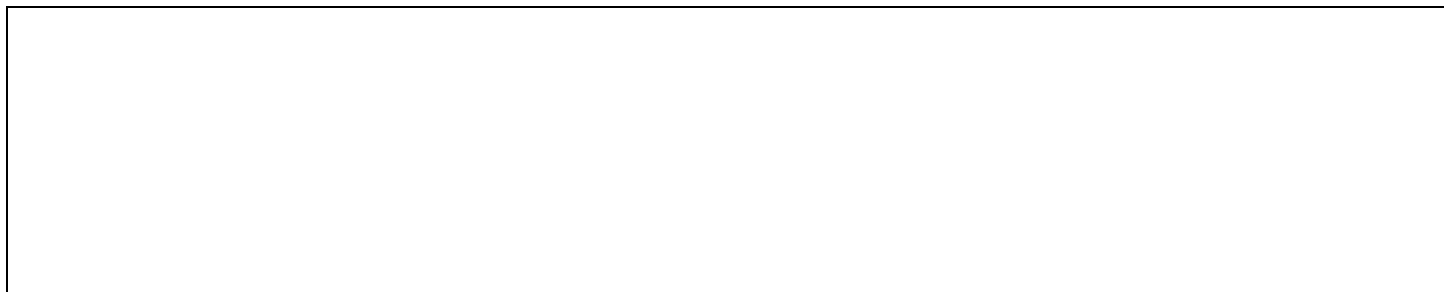
The following data were collected for a reaction.

Rate constant / s^{-1}	Temperature / $^{\circ}\text{C}$	Rate constant / s^{-1}	Temperature / $^{\circ}\text{C}$
2.88×10^{-4}	320	1.26×10^{-3}	380
4.87×10^{-4}	340	1.94×10^{-3}	400
7.96×10^{-4}	360		

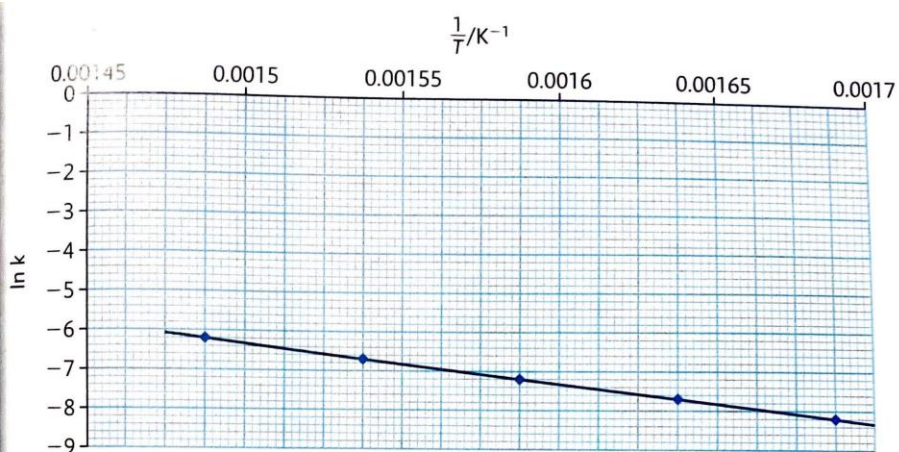
Determine the activation energy for the reaction in kJ mol^{-1} by a graphical method.

Solution

Convert the values of k to $\ln k$ and the values for temperature to $1/T$ (remember to convert $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to K by adding 273). Draw an Arrhenius plot of $\ln k$ against $1/T$ and measure its gradient.



Slide 26: Example
Contd.



measured gradient = -9518.65 K

$$\text{gradient} = -\frac{E_a}{R}$$

$$E_a (\text{J mol}^{-1}) = 9518.65 (\text{K}) \times 8.31 (\text{J K}^{-1} \text{mol}^{-1})$$

Therefore $E_a = 79.1 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

Slide 27: Another Way to Calculate Activation Energy

- The activation energy can be calculated by knowing the values of the rate constant at two _____.
- The following equation can be derived by subtracting the natural log of the Arrhenius equation at two different _____.

$$\ln\left(\frac{k_1}{k_2}\right) = \frac{E_a}{R} \left(\frac{1}{T_2} - \frac{1}{T_1}\right)$$

Slide 28: Example

Slide 29: Example Contd.

Slide 30: YOu Try!

- Explain your reasoning.

Exercises

26 Consider the following statements:

- I The rate constant of a reaction increases with increase in temperature.
- II Increase in temperature decreases the activation energy of the reaction.
- III The term A in the Arrhenius equation ($k = Ae^{-E_a/RT}$) relates to the energy requirements of the collisions.

Which statement(s) is/are correct?

- A** I only **B** II only **C** I and III only **D** II and III only
- 27 To what does A refer in the Arrhenius equation $k = Ae^{-E_a/RT}$?
- A** activation energy **B** kinetic energy **C** rate constant **D** collision geometry

28 The rate of a chemical reaction increases with increasing temperature. This increase in rate is due to:

- I an increase in the collision rate
- II an increase in the activation energy
- III an increase in the rate constant

- A** I and II only **B** I and III only **C** II and III only **D** I, II, and III

29 Rate constants for the reaction



At 700 K, $k = 1.3 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$

At 800 K, $k = 23.0 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Calculate the value of the activation energy in kJ mol^{-1} .

Slide 31: Turn and Talk

- Considering collision theory, why do you think termolecular reactions are rare?

Slide 32: Turn and Talk

- How does a **steeper** slope in an Arrhenius plot relate to the activation energy of a reaction?