

Chemistry 132 NT

More can be accomplished with the phrase "I must do something" than with the phrase "something should be done".

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Rates of Reaction

Module 2

Changes of Concentration with Time

- Concentration-Time Equations
 - Half-Life
- Graphing Kinetic Data



The burning of steel wool

Review

- ✱ The effect of **concentration** on reaction rate.
- ✱ Determination of the Rate Law for a given reaction by the **method of initial rates**.

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Change of Concentration with Time

- ✱ A **rate law** simply tells you how the rate of reaction changes as reactant concentrations change.
 - ◆ A more useful mathematical relationship would show how a reactant concentration changes over a period of time.

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Change of Concentration with Time

- ✱ A **rate law** simply tells you how the rate of reaction changes as reactant concentrations change.
 - ◆ Using calculus we can transform a rate law into a mathematical relationship between concentration and time.
 - ◆ This provides a **graphical method** for determining rate laws.

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Concentration-Time Equations

Zero-Order Rate Law

- Suppose we look at a simple generic zero order reaction of the reactant "A" to form products.

A → products

- Remember that the rate of this reaction is unaffected by the concentration of "A".
- It's Rate Law would be:

$$\text{Rate} = k[A]^0 = k$$

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Concentration-Time Equations

Zero-Order Rate Law

- You could write the rate law in the form;

$$\text{Rate} = - \frac{D[A]}{Dt} = k[A]^0 = k$$

- Using calculus, we can derive the following relationship between [A] and time, "t".

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

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Concentration-Time Equations

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- Here $[A]_t$ is the concentration of reactant A at time t, and $[A]_0$ is the initial concentration.

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A Problem To Consider

- ◆ Suppose that the decomposition of a hypothetical compound "A" is zero order with a rate constant of 1.8×10^{-4} (mol/L.s). If the initial concentration of "A" is 1.00 mol/L, **what is the concentration of "A" after 600 seconds ?**
- ◆ The zero-order concentration-time equation for this reaction would be:

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

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- ◆ Substituting the given information we obtain:

$$[A]_t = [- (1.8 \times 10^{-4})(600) + (1.00)] \text{ mol / L}$$

$$[A]_t = [- (0.108) + (1.00)] \text{ mol / L}$$

$$[A]_t = 0.892 \text{ mol / L}$$

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Concentration-Time Equations

◆ First-Order Rate Law

- ◆ Suppose we look at a simple generic first order reaction of the reactant "A" to form products.

A → products

- ◆ In a first-order reaction, the rate is directly proportional to the concentration of "A".
- ◆ Its Rate Law would be:

$$\text{Rate} = k[A]$$

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Concentration-Time Equations

First-Order Rate Law

- You could write the rate law in the form;

$$\text{Rate} = - \frac{D[A]}{Dt} = k[A]$$

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Concentration-Time Equations

First-Order Rate Law

- Using calculus, you get the following equation.

$$\ln \frac{[A]_t}{[A]_0} = -kt$$

- Here $[A]_t$ is the concentration of reactant A at time t, and $[A]_0$ is the initial concentration.
- The ratio $[A]_t/[A]_0$ is the fraction of A remaining at time t.

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A Problem To Consider

- The decomposition of N_2O_5 to NO_2 and O_2 is first order with a rate constant of $4.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$. If the initial concentration of N_2O_5 is $1.65 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol/L}$, **what is the concentration of N_2O_5 after 825 seconds?**
- The first-order time-concentration equation for this reaction would be:

$$\ln \frac{[N_2O_5]_t}{[N_2O_5]_0} = -kt$$

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- ◆ Substituting the given information we obtain:

$$\ln \frac{[\text{N}_2\text{O}_5]_t}{1.65 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol/L}} = (4.80 \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1})(825 \text{ s})$$

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$$\ln \frac{[\text{N}_2\text{O}_5]_t}{1.65 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol/L}} = -0.396$$

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- ◆ Taking the inverse natural log of both sides we obtain:

$$\frac{[\text{N}_2\text{O}_5]_t}{1.65 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol/L}} = e^{-0.396} = 0.673$$

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- ◆ Solving for $[\text{N}_2\text{O}_5]$ at 825 s we obtain:

$$[\text{N}_2\text{O}_5] = (1.65 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol/L}) \cdot (0.673) = 0.0111 \text{ mol/L}$$

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A Problem To Consider

- ◆ In the presence of excess thiocyanate ion, SCN^- , the following reaction is first order in iron(III) ion, Fe^{3+} ; the rate constant, k , is 1.27 h^{-1} .



How many **hours** are required for this reaction to **reach 90% completion?**

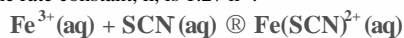
- ◆ First, we must note that a 90% completion implies that only 10% of the reactants are left. This implies

$$\frac{[\text{Fe}^{3+}]_t}{[\text{Fe}^{3+}]_0} = 0.10$$

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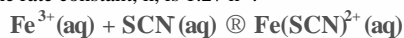
- ◆ Going to our first-order concentration-time equation, we obtain:

$$\ln \frac{[\text{Fe}^{3+}]_t}{[\text{Fe}^{3+}]_0} = -kt$$

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- Substituting values for k and the ratio $[\text{Fe}^{3+}]_t/[\text{Fe}^{3+}]_0$.

$$\ln(0.10) = -(1.27 \text{ h}^{-1})t$$

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- Solving for t we get:

$$t = \frac{\ln(0.10)}{-1.27 \text{ h}^{-1}} = \mathbf{1.81 \text{ hours}}$$

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Concentration-Time Equations

- Second-Order Rate Law

- You could write the rate law in the form

$$\text{Rate} = -\frac{D[\text{A}]}{Dt} = k[\text{A}]^2$$

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Concentration-Time Equations

Second-Order Rate Law

Using calculus, you get the following equation.

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

Here $[A]_t$ is the concentration of reactant A at time t , and $[A]_0$ is the initial concentration.

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Concentration-Time Equations

Rate Law Summary

The following table summarizes the Rate Laws and concentration-time equations we have just outlined.

	Rate Law	Concentration-time equation
Zero-order	Rate = $k[A]^0$	$[A]_t = -kt + [A]_0$
First-order	Rate = $k[A]^1$	$\ln \frac{[A]_t}{[A]_0} = -kt$
Second-order	Rate = $k[A]^2$	$\frac{1}{[A]_t} = kt + \frac{1}{[A]_0}$

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Half-life

The **half-life** of a reaction is the time required for the reactant concentration to decrease to one-half of its initial value.

For a first-order reaction, the half-life is independent of the initial concentration of reactant.

In one half-life the amount of reactant decreases by one-half. Substituting into the first-order concentration-time equation, we get:

$$\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -kt_{\frac{1}{2}}$$

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Half-life

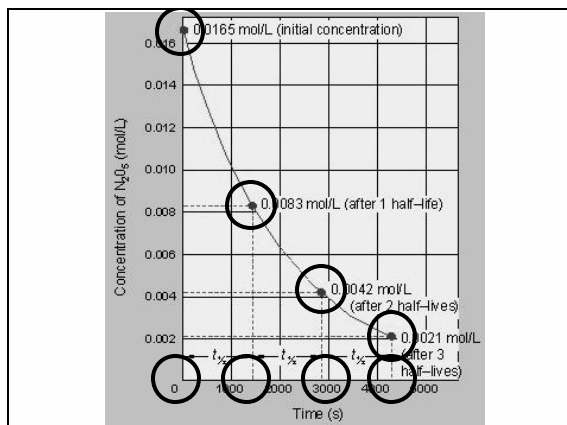
✦ The **half-life** of a reaction is the time required for the reactant concentration to decrease to one-half of its initial value.

✦ Solving for $t_{1/2}$ we obtain:

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

✦ The next slide illustrates the half-life of a first-order reaction.

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Half-life

✦ Sulfuryl chloride, SO_2Cl_2 , decomposes in a first-order reaction to SO_2 and Cl_2 .



✦ At 320°C , the rate constant is $2.2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1}$. What is the half-life of SO_2Cl_2 vapor at this temperature?

✦ Substitute the value of k into the relationship between k and $t_{1/2}$.

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$$t_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{2.20 \times 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1}}$$

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$$t_{1/2} = 3.15 \times 10^4 \text{ s}$$

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Half-life

- ◆ For a **second-order reaction** half-life depends on the initial concentration and becomes larger as time goes on.

- ◆ Again, assuming that $[\text{A}]_t = \frac{1}{2}[\text{A}]_0$ after one half-life, it can be shown:

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

- ◆ Each succeeding half-life is twice the length of its predecessor.

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Graphing Kinetic Data

✱ In addition to the method of initial rates, discussed earlier, rate laws can be deduced by **graphical methods**.

◆ Note that the zero-order concentration-time equation can be identified as the equation of a straight line.

$$\begin{array}{c} [A]_t = -kt + [A]_0 \\ \uparrow \qquad \uparrow \uparrow \qquad \uparrow \\ y \qquad = \quad mx + \quad b \end{array}$$

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Graphing Kinetic Data

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◆ Note that the zero-order concentration-time equation can be identified as the equation of a straight line.

◆ This means if you **plot [A] vs. time** you will get a **straight line for a zero-order reaction**.

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Graphing Kinetic Data

✱ In addition to the method of initial rates, discussed earlier, rate laws can be deduced by **graphical methods**.

◆ If we rewrite the first-order concentration-time equation in a slightly different form, it can be identified as the equation of a straight line.

$$\ln \frac{[A]_t}{[A]_0} = -kt$$

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

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

\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow
 y $=$ $mx + b$

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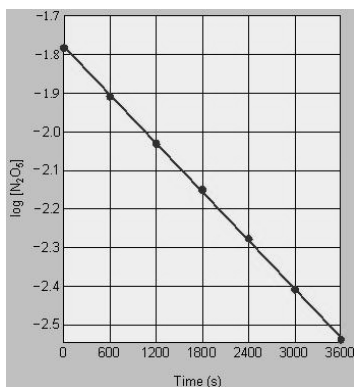
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Plot of $\log [N_2O_5]$ versus time.

Time (s)	$[N_2O_5]$	$\log[N_2O_5]$
0	0.0165	1.783
600	0.0124	-1.907
1200	0.0093	-2.032
1800	0.0071	-2.149
2400	0.0053	-2.276
3000	0.0039	-2.409
3600	0.0029	-2.538



The figure displayed shows a plot of $\log [N_2O_5]$ at various times during the decomposition reaction. The fact that the points lie on a straight line is confirmation that the rate law is first order.



Graphing Kinetic Data

■ In addition to the method of initial rates, discussed earlier, rate laws can be deduced by **graphical methods**.

◆ If we rewrite the **second-order** concentration-time equation in a slightly different form, it can be identified as the equation of a straight line.

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

\uparrow \uparrow
y = **mx** + **b**

Graphing Kinetic Data

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- ◆ If we rewrite the **second-order** concentration-time equation in a slightly different form, it can be identified as the equation of a straight line.
- ◆ This means if you **plot $1/[A]$ vs. time** you will get a **straight line for a second-order reaction**.
- ◆ The next slide illustrates the graphical method of deducing the order of a reaction.

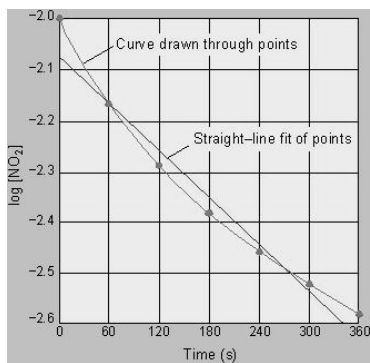
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Plotting the data for the decomposition of nitrogen dioxide at 330°C.

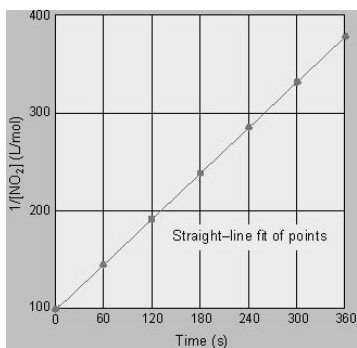
Time (s)	(A) $\log[\text{NO}_2]$	(B) $1/[\text{NO}_2]$
0	-2.000	100
60	-2.166	146
120	-2.286	193
180	-2.379	239
240	-2.456	286
300	-2.521	332
360	-2.578	379



Plot of $\log [\text{NO}_2]$ against time. Note that a straight line does not fit the points well.



Plot of $1/[\text{NO}_2]$ against time. Note how closely the points follow the straight line, indicating that the decomposition is second order.



Operational Skills

- ✎ Using the concentration-time equation for first-order reactions
- ✎ Relating the half-life of a reaction to the rate constant

Time for a few review questions.

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