

# (Reaction Kinetics) / (Chemical Kinetics)

## ⇒ formulas and units:-

• ⇒ Rate of reaction =  $\frac{\text{change in concentration of a substance}}{\text{Time taken for the change}}$   $\left[ \frac{\Delta C}{\Delta t} \right]$

Unit:

$$= \frac{\text{mol} \cdot \text{dm}^{-3}}{\text{s}}$$

• Rate =  $\boxed{\text{mol} \cdot \text{dm}^{-3} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}}$

**Note:**

In case of gases, concentration is taken in partial pressure.

• Rate =  $\frac{\text{atm}}{\text{s}} = \boxed{\text{atm} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}}$  or  $\boxed{\text{mol} \cdot \text{L}^{-1} \cdot \text{time}^{-1}}$

e.g. For a Reaction  $A \rightarrow P$

• Rate of disappearance of A =  $-\frac{\Delta[A]}{\Delta T}$

(-ve sign means disappearance)

• Rate of Appearance of P =  $+\frac{\Delta[P]}{\Delta T}$

→ Instantaneous rate =  $\frac{dx}{dt}$

→ Average rate =  $\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$  =  $\frac{\text{Change in conc. of one reactant or product}}{\text{Time taken for change}}$

→ Units of K

(i) In zero order  $R_v = \boxed{\text{mol} \cdot \text{dm}^{-3} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}}$  (Rate = K)

(ii) In 1<sup>st</sup> order  $R_v = \boxed{\text{s}^{-1}}$   $K_1 = \left(\frac{\text{Rate}}{A}\right)$

(iii) In 2<sup>nd</sup> order  $R_v = \boxed{\text{mol}^{-1} \text{dm}^3 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}}$   $K_2 = \frac{\text{Rate}}{[A]^2}$

(iv) In 3<sup>rd</sup> order  $R_v = \boxed{\text{mol}^{-2} \text{dm}^6 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}}$   $K_3 = \frac{\text{Rate}}{[A]^3}$

→ Half life period.

$[t_{1/2}]_n = \frac{1}{a^{n-1}}$

(i)  $[t_{1/2}]_1$  for 1<sup>st</sup> order =  $\frac{0.693}{K}$

(ii)  $[t_{1/2}]_2$  for 2<sup>nd</sup> order =  $\frac{1}{K_a}$

(iii)  $[t_{1/2}]_3$  for 3<sup>rd</sup> order =  $\frac{1.5}{K_a}$

→ half life method  
(formula for two  
different initial  
concentrations)

$$n = 1 + \frac{\log \frac{t_1}{t_2}}{\log \frac{a_2}{a_1}}$$

→ Arrhenius equation:

$$\ln k = -\frac{E_a}{RT} + \ln A$$

→ help to  
determine  
"energy of  
Activation of  
a Reaction!"

$$k = A e^{-\frac{E_a}{RT}}$$

$$\text{Slope} = \frac{-E_a}{2.303R}$$

Note - modified Arrhenius equation:

$$\frac{d \ln k}{dt} = \frac{E}{RT^2}$$

# Chemical Kinetics-

Branch of chemistry that deals with

- Rates of chemical Reactions
- factors effecting the rate of chem. Rx
- Mechanism of the Rx.

## Rate of Reaction:

"Change in concentration of a reactant or a product divided by the time taken for the change"

- Rx with rapid rate  $\rightarrow$  Many Aqueous solution Rx.  
Ppt. of AgCl formed after addition of AgNO<sub>3</sub> soln. to NaCl soln.
- Rx with moderate rate  $\rightarrow$  hydrolysis of an ester
- Rx with slow rate  $\rightarrow$  Rusting of Iron  
chemical weathering of stone work of buildings by acidic gases in the Atmosphere.  
fermentation of sugars

## Notes-



The only reaction with negative temperature coefficient:

The rate of reaction decreases with time.

→ Instantaneous rate	Average rate
• "The rate at any one instant during the interval"	• "The rate of reaction between two specific time intervals".
• At first instantaneous rate is higher than the average rate.	• At the end, average rate is higher than instantaneous rate.

### Factors affecting rate of reaction:-

Reactions involving cleavage of strong bond in reactant molecules are slower when compared to reactions involving weak bond in reactants molecules.



Reaction (ii) is faster than reaction (i)

## i. Concentration of reactants.

$\text{Conc. of reactants} \propto \text{Rate of reaction}$

Because increase in conc. brings more effective collisions between reactant molecules, which results in faster chemical change.

## ii. Surface area of the reactants:-

$\text{Surface area} \propto \text{Rate of Rx}$

Large surface area, greater will be rate of Rx.

iii) **Catalyst**: presence of catalyst increase as well as decrease rate depending upon its nature.

## iv. Temperature:

Reaction rates are normally favoured by increasing temperature.

→ When the temperature of the reaction gases is raised by 10K, the fraction of molecules with energy more than  $E_a$  roughly doubles. So the reaction rate also doubles.

## v. Pressure:

$\frac{dx}{dt} \propto (\text{pressure})$  (as " $p \propto \text{conc.}$ ") → For Gaseous Rx.

## vi. Radiation:

$\frac{dx}{dt} \propto \text{Intensity of radiation}$  → In photochemical Rx

## Rate constant of the reaction:

→ The rate constant or velocity constant or specific rate of a Rx is generally equal to the rate of Rx when the conc. of each of reactant is unity.

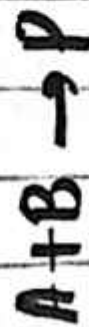
**Note:-** Rate constant does not depend upon concentration, pressure and volume.

Rate of Reaction	Rate constant
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It is the speed at which the reactants are converted into products.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It is the constant of proportionality in rate law expression.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It decreases with the progress of reaction generally.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It is constant and does not depend on the progress of the reaction.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It depends upon the conc. of reactant species at that moment.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It refers to rate of Rx at specific point when the conc. of every reacting species is unity.</li></ul>

## Order of Rx:-

The sum of all the exponents to which the conc. in the

## Reaction



## Order

zero

first

second

second

third

## Rate Equation

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

$$\text{Rate} = k[A]^1$$

$$\text{Rate} = k[A]^2$$

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

$$\text{Rate} = k[A]^3$$

## Expression

$$k = \frac{1}{t} [A_0 - A]$$

$$k = \frac{2.303}{t} \log \frac{[A_0]}{[A]}$$

$$k = \frac{1}{t} \left( \frac{1}{A} - \frac{1}{A_0} \right)$$

$$k = \frac{2.303}{t(a-b)} \log \frac{b[A]}{a[B]}$$

$$k = \frac{1}{2t} \left( \frac{1}{[A]^2} - \frac{1}{[A_0]^2} \right)$$

## Unit of k

$$\text{mol. lit}^{-1} \text{time}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Time}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Lit mol}^{-1} \text{time}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Lit}^2 \text{mol}^{-2} \text{time}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Mol}^{-2} \text{time}^{-1}$$



rate equation are raised"



Reactants

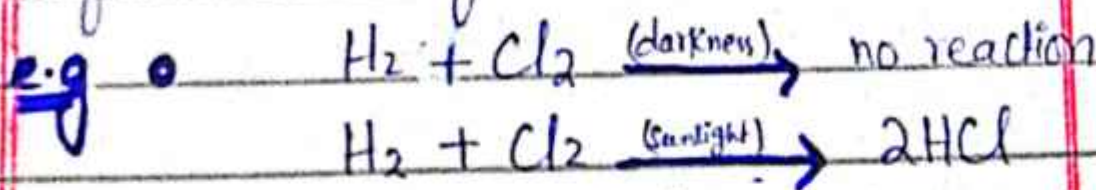
Products

$$\text{order} = a + b$$

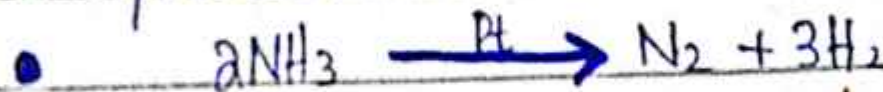
$$\text{rate of Rx} = k[A]^a[B]^b$$

- Order may be any number, integral or fraction including zero.
- Order of Rx is experimentally determined quantity, cannot be determined simply by looking at the Rx equation.

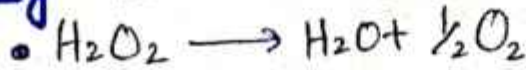
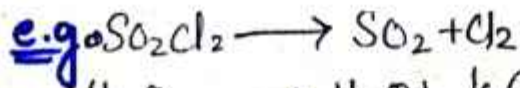
**Zero order Rx:** Rx entirely independent of the conc. of reactant molecules



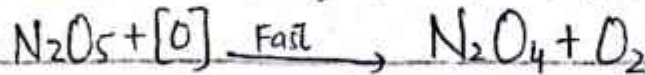
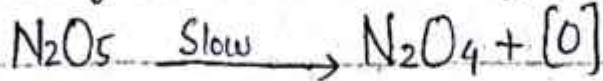
- photochemical Rx



**1<sup>st</sup> order Rx:** Rx in which molar conc. of only one molecule alters as a result of chemical change

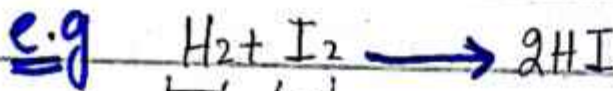


order of Rx = 1  $\Rightarrow$  Rate  $\Rightarrow k[\text{N}_2\text{O}_5]^1$



**2<sup>nd</sup> order Rx:**

Rx in which molal conc. of two reactants alters as a result of chemical change.



order of Rx = 1 + 1 = 2

**3<sup>rd</sup> order Rx:** "The Rx in which molal conc of three reactant molecules alters as a result of chemical change"

e.g.



order of Rx = 1 + 2 = 3

Rate =  $k[\text{FeCl}_3]^1[\text{KI}]^2$

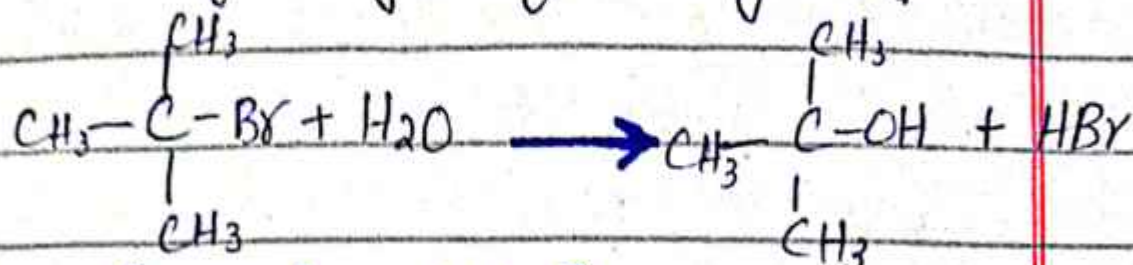
**Pseudo first order:-**

The Rx in which rate Rx remains effectively independent of the

conc. of  $H_2O$  because being a solvent"

→ It is present in large excess.

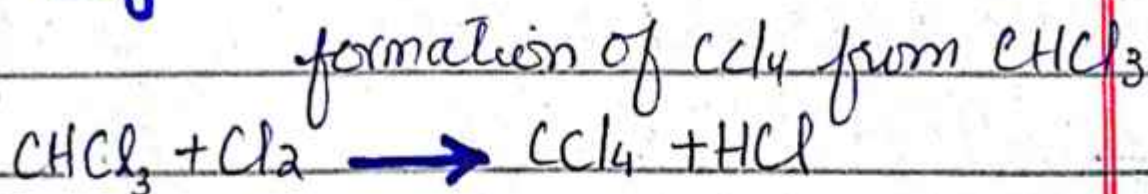
- e.g.**
- Hydrolysis of ethyl acetate
  - Hydrolysis of tertiary butyl bromide.



**fractional order Rx:**

The order of a Rx is usually positive integral or a zero but can also be a fraction or can have a negative value.

**e.g.**



$$\text{order} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} = 1.5$$

**Note** Rate constant and order for various species is an experimental finding and cannot be predicted directly from the stoichiometry of the balanced Rx.

**Molecularity** - It is the number of atoms, ions or molecules that must collide with one another simultaneously so as to result into a chemical reaction or elementary reaction.

→ It is a theoretical value.

→ It is always a whole number.

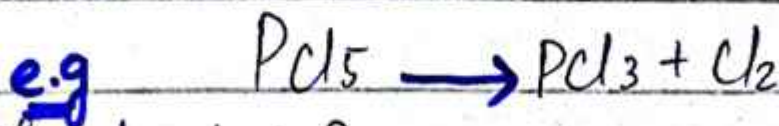
→ It does not determine rate of Rx.

→ It does not depend upon external factors like temperature, pressure etc.

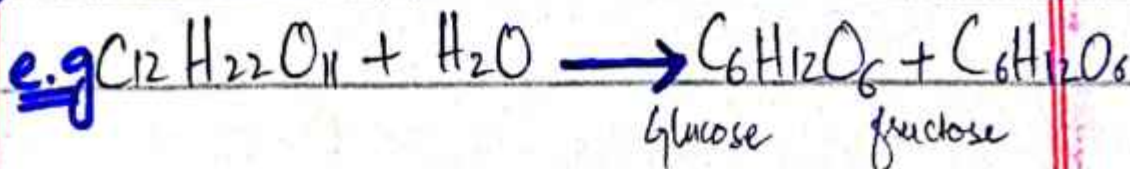
→ The overall molecularity of a complex Rx. is equal to the molecularity of slowest step (Rate determining step)

**Notes** → Molecularity cannot be more than three as there is no chance for more than three molecules to undergo an effective collision at a time.

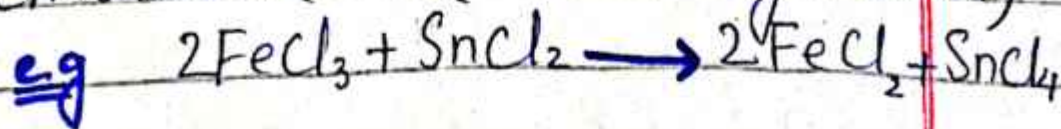
→ If molecularity is one reaction is called unimolecular.



→ Bimolecular Rx.



- termolecular Rx: (molecularity is three)



## Half life period:-

"The time which is required to convert 50% of the reactants into products".

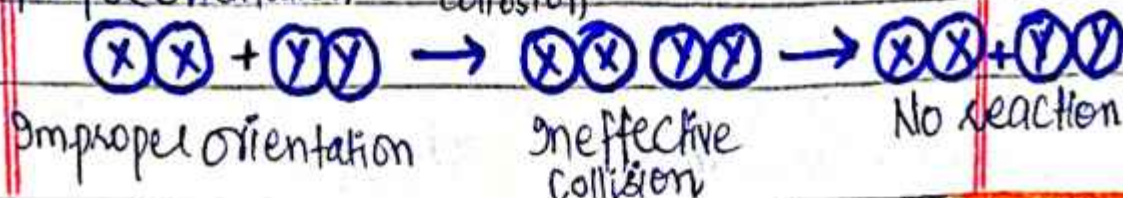
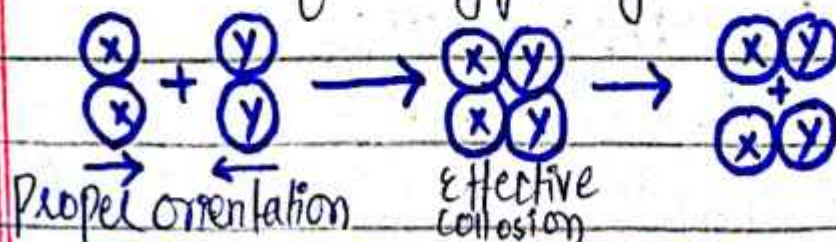
→ The Radioactive decay is always a 1<sup>st</sup> order Rx because only one reactant is involved.

## Collision Theory:-

Chemical Rx occurs as a result of effective collisions between reacting molecules, for which possess the

- ① proper orientation of reacting molecules.

- ② possession of certain minimum amount of energy by reacting molecules.



## Threshold energy:-

"The minimum amount of energy possessed by the reacting molecules to have effective collisions, resulting in the formation of product."

## Activation energy:-

"The excess energy over and above the average potential energy possessed by reacting molecules to have effective collisions resulting in the formation of product."

Activation energy = threshold energy - Average energy of reactants

$$\text{Rate of Reaction} \propto \frac{1}{E_a}$$

**Collision frequency:-** "The number of collisions which occur among the reactant molecules per second per unit volume!"

$$Z = \sqrt{2} \pi \bar{v} \sigma^2 n^2$$

$\bar{v}$  = average velocity

$\sigma$  = molecular diameter in cm

$n$  = number of molecules per cc.

## Determination of Activation energy:-

→ Larger the value of  $E_a$  of a reaction, smaller is  $K$ .

→ Larger the value of  $E_a$  of a reaction, greater will be the influence of change in temperature on rate constant.

## Arrhenius Equation:

It is used to evaluate energy of activation and to show the effect of temperature on rate constant.

→ Both " $E_a$ " and " $A$ " are independent from temperature.

→ Arrhenius equation cannot be used for nuclear reactions.

9n Exothermic Rxs:- •  $\Delta H$  is negative

As, potential energy of Reactant > potential energy of product

## In Endothermic Rxs:-

- $\Delta H$  is positive

As, potential energy of product  $>$  potential energy of Reactants

$E_a$  of forward Reaction  $>$   $E_a$  of backward Reaction

## Catalyst:-

"Substance which alters the rate of a chemical reaction but remains chemically unchanged at the end of the Rx."

### Homogenous catalysis

- catalysis in which both the catalyst and reacting substance are in same physical state / phase.
- catalyst is uniformly distributed.

### Heterogeneous catalysis

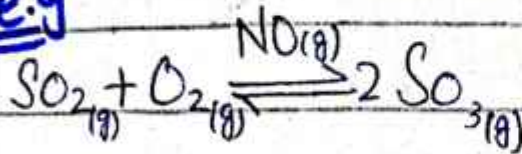
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- Substance are in different phases
- No uniform distribution of catalyst



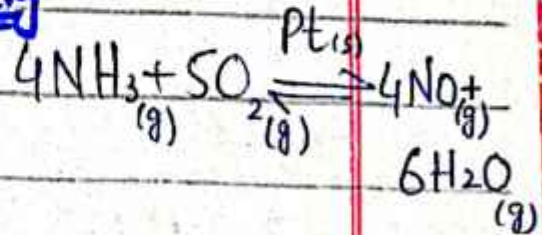
• Mostly liquid or gaseous catalyst are used.

• Catalyst is solid and reacting substances are either liquids or gases.

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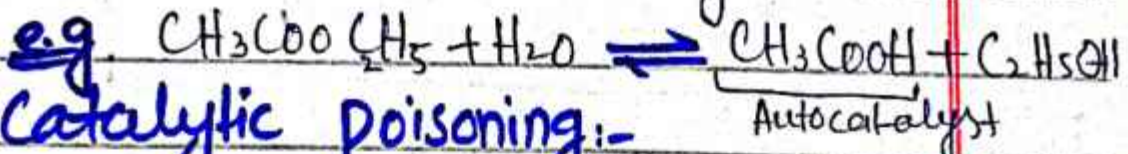


e.g



### Auto catalysis:

"The substance which is formed during the course of Reaction sometimes act as catalyst."



### Catalytic poisoning:-

The presence of some amount of foreign substances which render them ineffective.

• Poisoning may be temporary or permanent.

### Activation of catalyst:-

Substance which promotes the activity of a catalyst (promoter/Activator).

**Negative catalysis:** Rate of Reaction is retarded by adding a substance called Inhibitor/Negative catalysis