

Kinetics

So many equations...so many units...

Summary of Kinetics Equations			
Order	Zero	First	Second
Rate Law	Rate = k	Rate = k[A]	Rate = k[A] ²
Integrated Rate Law <i>y = mx + b</i>	$[A] = -kt + [A]_0$	$\ln[A] = -kt + \ln[A]_0$	$\frac{1}{[A]} = kt + \frac{1}{[A]_0}$
Plot needed to give a straight line <i>"Graph C, N, R"</i>	[A] versus t	ln[A] versus t	$\frac{1}{[A]}$ versus t
Relationship of rate constant (k) to the slope of the straight line	Slope = -k	Slope = -k	Slope = k
Units on rate constant (k)	$\frac{M}{s} = Ms^{-1}$ $= \frac{mol}{L \cdot s}$	$\frac{1}{s} = s^{-1}$	$\frac{1}{M \cdot s} = M^{-1}s^{-1}$ $= \frac{L}{mol \cdot s}$
Half Life Equation <i>Use integrated law when solving other half life related problems</i>	$t_{1/2} = \frac{[A]_0}{2k}$	$t_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{k}$	$t_{1/2} = \frac{1}{k [A]_0}$

Arrhenius Equation

$$k = Ae^{-E_a/RT}$$

<p>k = rate constant E_a = Activation Energy T = Temperature A = Frequency Factor R = 8.31 J/mol•K</p>
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When Graphing...

Graph ln(k) versus $\frac{1}{T}$

$$\ln(k) = \left(-\frac{E_a}{R}\right)\left(\frac{1}{T}\right) + \ln(A)$$

$$y = m x + b$$

Finding Units for k

Remember:

$$\text{rate} = k[A]^x[B]^y \text{ etc ...}$$

Rearrange:

$$k = \frac{\text{rate}}{[A]^x[B]^y \text{ etc...}}$$

Remember:

$$\text{rate units} = \frac{M}{s}$$

$$\text{Concentration units} = M$$

$$\text{Overall Order} = (x + y + \text{etc ...})$$

Substitute in your units and rewrite:

$$k = \frac{M/s}{M^{(x+y+\text{etc...})}} \rightarrow k = \frac{M}{M^{(x+y+\text{etc...})} \cdot s} \rightarrow \text{then cancel out units}$$

Units for k based on overall order of reaction		
$k = \frac{M}{M^{(x+y+\text{etc...})} \cdot s}$		
Overall Order	Example of Units Plugged In	Final Units for k
0	$k = \frac{M}{M^{(0)} \cdot s} = \frac{M}{1 \cdot s}$	$\frac{M}{s} = Ms^{-1}$
1	$k = \frac{M}{M^{(1)} \cdot s} = \frac{\cancel{M}}{\cancel{M} \cdot s}$	$\frac{1}{s} = s^{-1}$
2	$k = \frac{M}{M^{(2)} \cdot s} = \frac{\cancel{M}}{\cancel{M} \cdot \cancel{M} \cdot s}$	$\frac{1}{M \cdot s} = M^{-1}s^{-1}$
3	$k = \frac{M}{M^{(3)} \cdot s} = \frac{\cancel{M}}{\cancel{M} \cdot \cancel{M} \cdot \cancel{M} \cdot s}$	$\frac{1}{M^2 \cdot s} = M^{-2}s^{-1}$
4	$k = \frac{M}{M^{(4)} \cdot s} = \frac{\cancel{M}}{\cancel{M} \cdot \cancel{M} \cdot \cancel{M} \cdot \cancel{M} \cdot s}$	$\frac{1}{M^3 \cdot s} = M^{-3}s^{-1}$
Etc...etc...etc...		

$$\text{Remember: } M = \frac{\text{mol}}{L} \quad \frac{1}{M} = M^{-1} = \frac{L}{\text{mol}}$$



You may see this substituted into k units.

$$\text{For example: } M^{-1}s^{-1} = \frac{L}{\text{mol} \cdot s}$$

