

Chem 2 AP Homework #13-1: Problems pg 575 #7-12

- 7 For the reaction: $2 \text{NO} (\text{g}) + \text{O}_2 (\text{g}) \rightarrow 2 \text{NO}_2 (\text{g})$, if the rate of reaction of NO is 0.066 M/s :

$$\text{rate}_{\text{NO}} = \frac{\Delta[\text{NO}]}{\Delta t} = -0.066 \text{ M/s}$$

- (a) At what rate is NO_2 being formed?

$$\text{Rate}_{\text{NO}_2} = -\frac{2 \text{NO}_2}{2 \text{NO}} \times \text{Rate}_{\text{NO}} = \boxed{0.066 \text{ M/s} = 0.066 \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}}$$

- (b) At what rate is molecular oxygen reacting?

$$\text{Rate}_{\text{O}_2} = \frac{-1 \text{O}_2}{-2 \text{NO}} \times \text{Rate}_{\text{NO}} = \frac{-0.066 \text{ M/s}}{2} = \boxed{-0.033 \text{ M/s} = -0.033 \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}}$$

- 8 For the reaction: $\text{N}_2 (\text{g}) + 3 \text{H}_2 (\text{g}) \rightarrow 2 \text{NH}_3 (\text{g})$, consider that molecular hydrogen is reacting at 0.074 M/s :

$$\text{rate}_{\text{H}_2} = \frac{\Delta[\text{H}_2]}{\Delta t} = -0.074 \text{ M/s}$$

- (a) What is the rate at which ammonia is being formed?

$$\text{Rate}_{\text{NH}_3} = \frac{2 \text{NH}_3}{-3 \text{H}_2} \times \text{Rate}_{\text{H}_2} = -\frac{2}{3}(-0.074 \text{ M/s}) = \boxed{0.049 \text{ M/s} = 0.049 \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}}$$

- (b) What is the rate at which nitrogen is reacting?

$$\text{Rate}_{\text{N}_2} = \frac{-1 \text{N}_2}{-3 \text{H}_2} \times \text{Rate}_{\text{H}_2} = \frac{1}{3}(-0.074 \text{ M/s}) = \boxed{-0.025 \text{ M/s} = -0.025 \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}}$$

- 9 Explain what is meant by the rate law of a reaction.

The rate law is the relationship of the rate of a reaction to the rate constant (k) and the concentrations of the reactants raised to some powers. Generically, for a reaction with reactants A and B,

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

Note that x and y are not necessarily the coefficients in the balanced equation and must be determined experimentally.

- 10 What is meant by the order of a reaction?

The order of a reaction is the sum of the exponents to which all reactant concentrations in the rate law are raised. For the rate law in problem 9, the reaction order is x in reactant A and y in reactant B for an overall order of $(x + y)$.

- 11 What are the units for the rate constants of first-order and second-order reactions?

Since the rate of a reaction always has the unit of M time^{-1} or $\text{mol L}^{-1} \text{ time}^{-1}$, the units of k must be such that when multiplied by the concentrations of reactants raised to their orders, this unit is obtained.

First Order: In an overall 1st order reaction, $\text{M time}^{-1} = k \times \text{M}$, so k has the unit of time^{-1} .

Second Order: Here, $\text{M time}^{-1} = k \times \text{M}^2$, so k has the unit of $\text{M}^{-1} \text{ time}^{-1}$.

**12 Consider the zero-order reaction A
→ product**

(a) A zero-order reaction does not depend on the concentrations of the reactants, so

$$\text{rate} = k.$$

(b) Since the units for rate are M s^{-1} , the rate constant will have the same units.

(c) The plot will be a straight line, constant rate, and independent of concentration [A]:

