

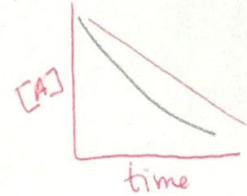
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17.1 NOTES - A MODEL

Expressing Reaction Rates



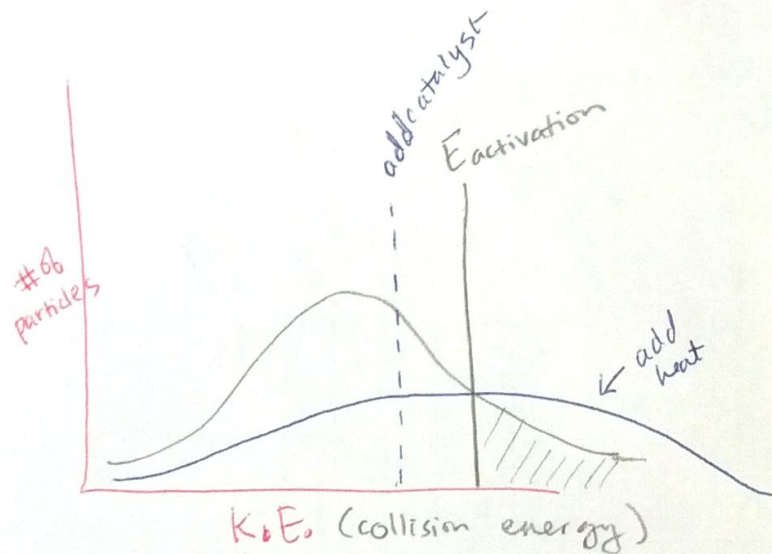
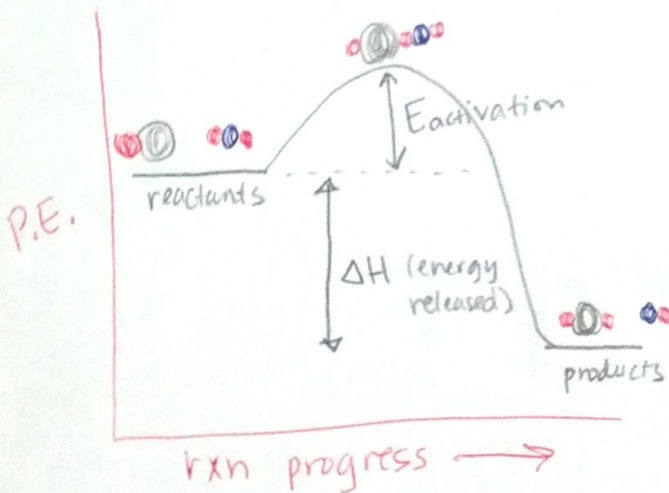
$$\text{Average rate} = \frac{\Delta \text{quantity}}{\Delta \text{time}} = \frac{[A] \text{ at time } t_2 - [A] \text{ at time } t_1}{t_2 - t_1} = \frac{\Delta [A]}{\Delta t}$$



Collision Theory \oplus rates are determined by expt.

In order for a reaction to take place ...	In order to speed up a reaction ...	
1) reacting substances must collide	1) Increase the initial concentrations	2) Increase surface area.
2) reacting substances must collide with the correct orientation.	3) Heat it up in order to provide more energy	
3) reacting substances must collide with sufficient energy to form the activated complex.	4) add a catalyst and lower the activation energy	

Potential Energy / Kinetic Energy Graphs



Example:

In the reaction $A \rightarrow B$, sketch the Potential Energy (P.E.) graph and find the missing values.

P. E. of A = -60 kJ P. E. of B = -80 kJ

P. E. of Transition State = -30 kJ

Activation Energy = 30 kJ $\Delta H = -20$ kJ

Is this endothermic or exothermic?

When a catalyst is added, the Potential Energy of the Transition State drops to -45 kJ. Sketch the new curve. Then find:

P. E. of A = -60 kJ P. E. of B = -80 kJ

P. E. of Transition State = -45 kJ

Activation Energy = 15 kJ $\Delta H = -20$ kJ

Is this endothermic or exothermic?

