

## Chemical kinetics:-

When we study about a reaction some basic questions arises in our mind, suppose for a reaction -



Is the reaction energetically feasible? We know metallic sodium reacts with water but not gold. Because for first one it is energetically feasible but second one not. But for a unknown reaction the answer is given by Thermodynamics. In a reaction if  $\Delta G = (-)ve$  then the reaction will be feasible but if  $\Delta G = +ve$  then not.

Similarly, upto what extent the reaction will proceed. The answer is thermodynamic  $\Delta G = -RT\ln K$ , where  $K$  eqm constant.

But how fast the reaction will be and what will be its mechanism, the answer lies on chemical kinetics.

### Rate of a reaction:-

If two friends decide to reach a certain destination with their motor cycle and starts their journey at a same time, who will reach earlier? The answer is simply, the person who have greater speed. Similarly for a reaction goes greater extent which have greater speed, eg Na reacts with water almost immediately but Mg slowly.

Now speed of a reaction is here we call rate of reaction. It means amount of product increase at unit time, similarly it means amount of reactant left at unit time. i.e. Rate of a reaction means the rate of advancement of a overall reaction and advancement of a reaction is considered as unity when stoichiometric amount of any one of reactant undergoes the reaction.

Suppose a reaction



if  $dE$  be the advancement of the reaction at very short time  $dt$ .

then

$$\begin{aligned} dn_A &= -m \frac{dc}{dt} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dn_A}{dt} = -\frac{1}{m} \frac{dc}{dt} \\ dn_B &= -n \frac{dc}{dt} \\ dn_C &= p \frac{dc}{dt} \\ dn_D &= q \frac{dc}{dt} \\ \frac{dc}{dt} &= -\frac{1}{n} \frac{dn_B}{dt} \\ \frac{dc}{dt} &= \frac{1}{p} \frac{dn_C}{dt} \\ \frac{dc}{dt} &= \frac{1}{q} \frac{dn_D}{dt} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  where  $\left(\frac{dc}{dt}\right)$  = degree of advancement of the reaction  
= advancement of a reaction per unit time.

Now  $-\frac{1}{m} \frac{dn_A}{dt} = -\frac{1}{n} \frac{dn_B}{dt} = \frac{1}{p} \frac{dn_C}{dt} = \frac{1}{q} \frac{dn_D}{dt}$

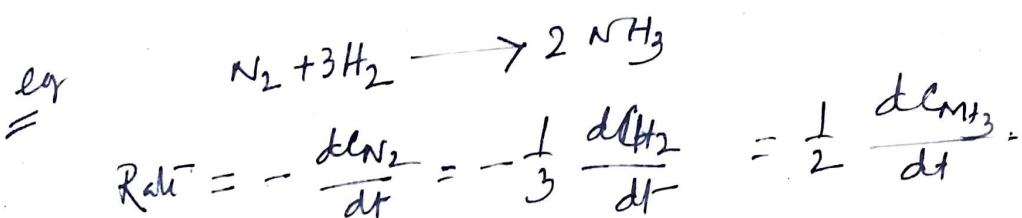
Where  $n_A$  mole of 'A' or  $dn_A$  change of mole of 'A'.

Now we know that  $\frac{n}{V} = C$  (concentration)

So  $\frac{1}{V} \frac{dc}{dt} = -\frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{1}{m} \frac{dn_A}{dt} \right) = -\frac{1}{m} \frac{d(n_A/V)}{dt} = -\frac{1}{m} \frac{dc}{dt}$

i.e.  $\left(\frac{1}{V} \frac{dc}{dt}\right)$  is called rate of a reaction.

is degree of advance of a reaction at unit volume  
is called Rate of a reaction.



or in general-

$$\boxed{\text{Rate} = \frac{1}{V_i} \frac{dc_i}{dt}}$$

where  $V_i$  = stoichiometric coefficient of  
 $i^{\text{th}}$  constituent.