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Kinetics Rate Laws

Finding the order of a reaction

Integrated Rate Laws

What is the concentration as a function of time?

# The grand overview of all of the kinetics



measure in experiment

figure out from data

$$\frac{-\Delta[A]}{a\Delta t} = \frac{\Delta[C]}{c\Delta t} = \text{rate} = k[A]^x[B]^y$$

we are looking only at the rate of the "forward" reaction  
This depends only on the concentration of the reactants

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The reaction is what order in A? - work out on doc cam

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the reaction is what order in B?

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 1.5
- D. 2

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what is k?

- A.  $273 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- B.  $27.3 \text{ s}^{-1}$
- C.  $61.4 \text{ s}^{-1}$
- D.  $614 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- E.  $6.14 \text{ M s}^{-1}$

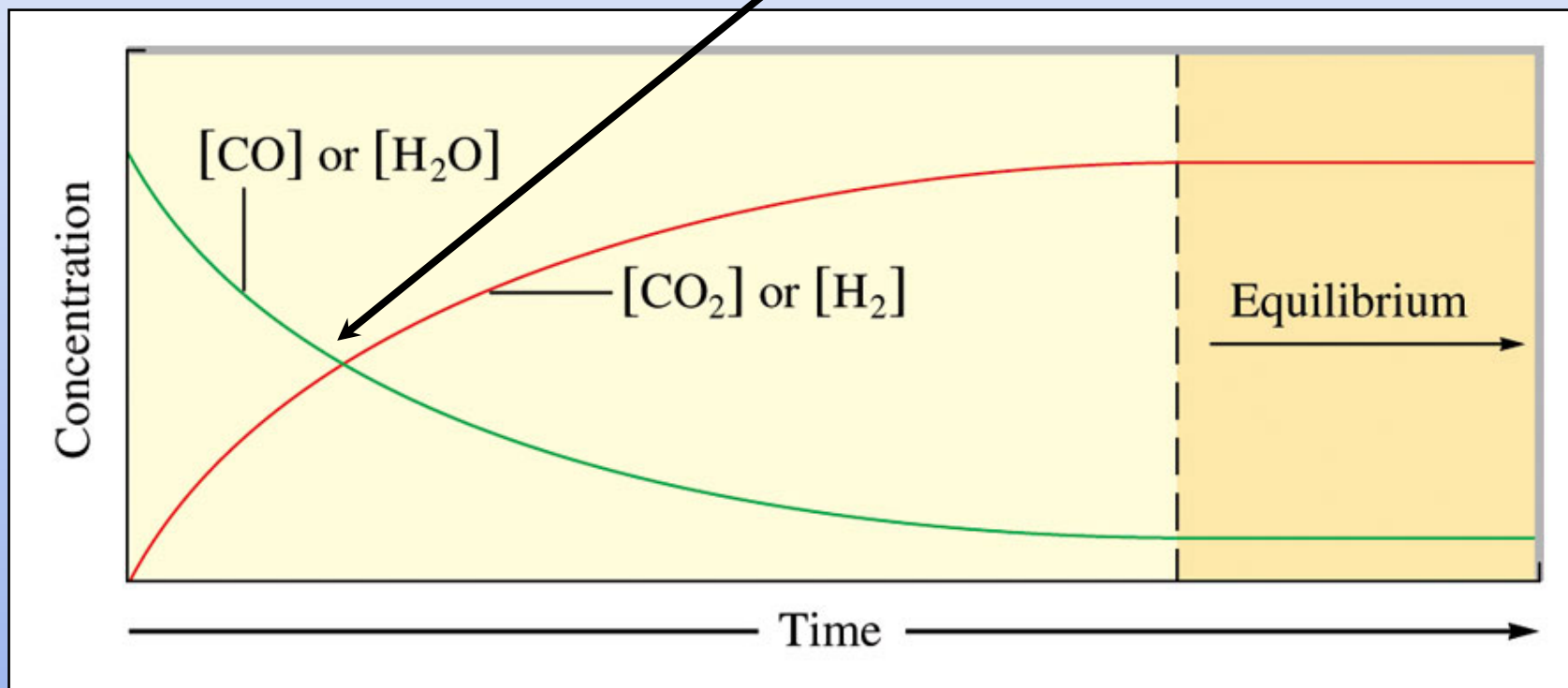
# Integrated rate laws (the concentration as a function of time)

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- I. The rate law depends on only one reactant
  
- II. Only one reactant is changing much in concentrations, so effectively only one concentration is changing



Both CO and H<sub>2</sub>O changing at the same time!





The rate law for this reaction is

$$\text{rate} = k[\text{H}_2\text{O}][\text{CO}]$$

it is first order in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and  
first order in  $\text{CO}$





What if we started with a whole lot of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
compared to  $\text{CO}$ ?

The  $[\text{H}_2\text{O}] \sim$  constant (since there is so much of it)

Now we can combine the  $[\text{H}_2\text{O}]$  with  $k$   
(since both are constant)

and write the rate law as  
 $\text{rate} = k[\text{H}_2\text{O}][\text{CO}] = k'[\text{CO}]$

we now say the reaction is **pseudo-first order** in  $\text{CO}$

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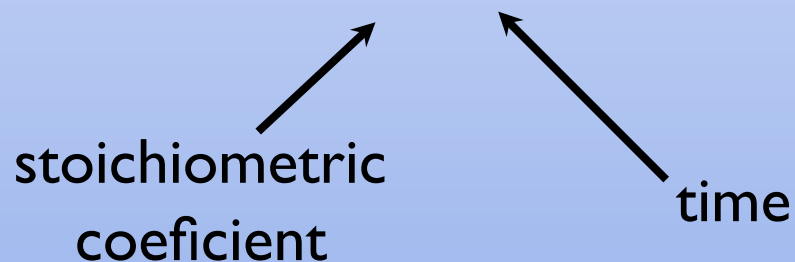
# Integrated Rate Law

## First Order

The rate is proportional to the concentration of only one reactant. We'll call it A

$$\text{rate} = \frac{-d[A]}{adt} = k[A]$$

then some calculus



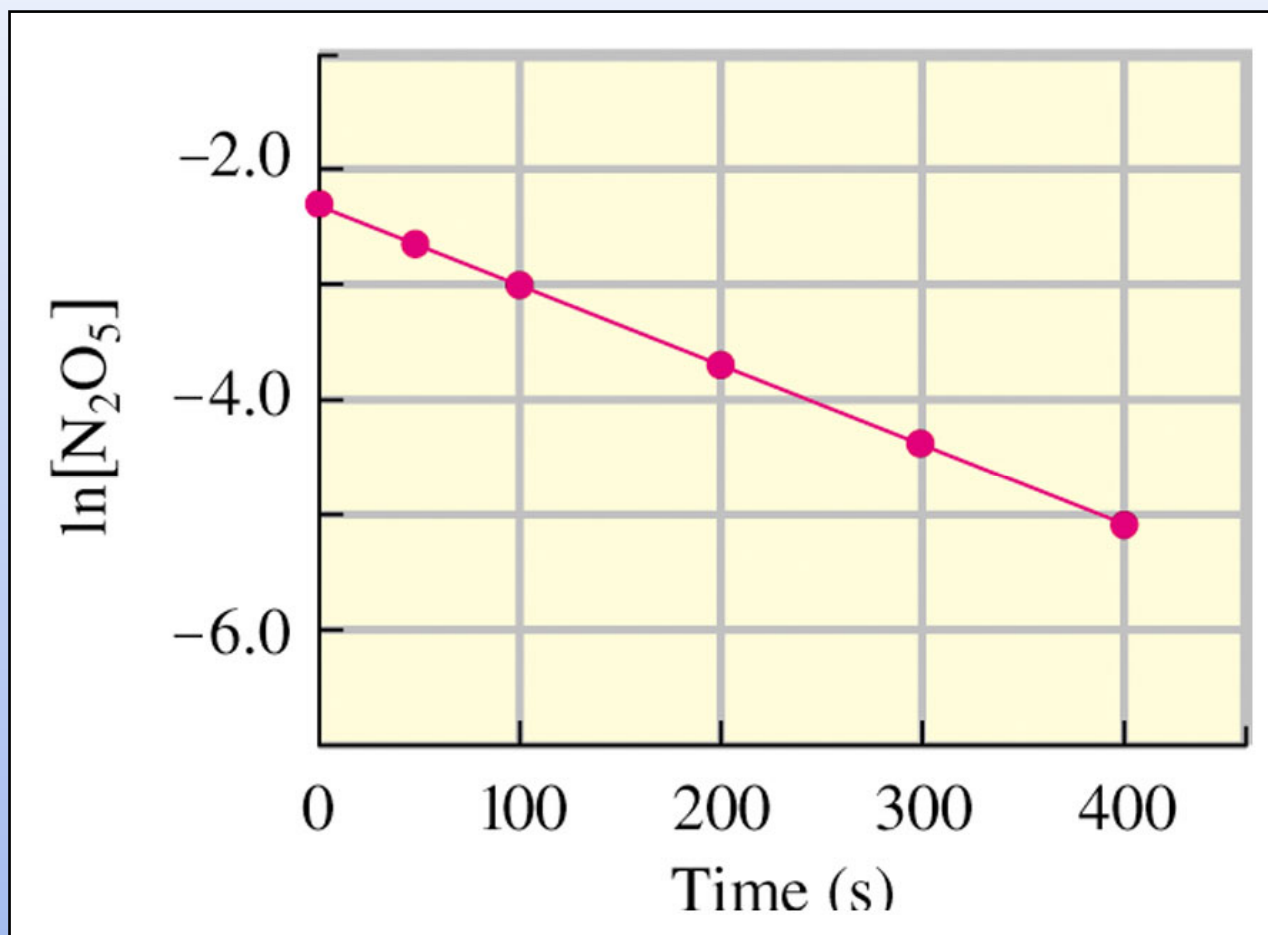
# Integrated Rate Law

First Order

$$[A] = [A]_0 e^{-akt}$$

$$\ln[A] = -akt + \ln[A]_0$$

So if you plot  $\ln[A]$  vs time you get a straight line with a slope of  $-ak$



## Half life

**TABLE 15.3** Concentration/Time Data for the Reaction  $2\text{N}_2\text{O}_5(\text{soln}) \longrightarrow 4\text{NO}_2(\text{soln}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g})$  (at  $45^\circ\text{C}$ )

$[\text{N}_2\text{O}_5]$ (mol/L)	Time (s)
1.00	0
0.88	200
0.78	400
0.69	600
0.61	800
0.54	1000
0.48	1200
0.43	1400
0.38	1600
0.34	1800
0.30	2000

The half-life is the time at which half the initial concentration remains.

What is the approximate half-life for the reaction at the left?

- A.  
200 s
- B.  
400 s
- C.  
1100 s
- D.  
1600 s

# Integrated Rate Law

## Zero Order

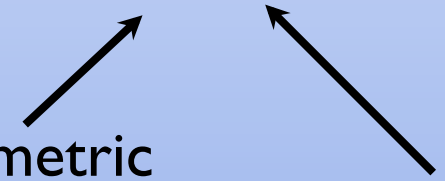
The rate is independent of the concentration of our reactant A

$$\text{rate} = \frac{-d[A]}{adt} = k$$

then some calculus

stoichiometric  
coefficient

time

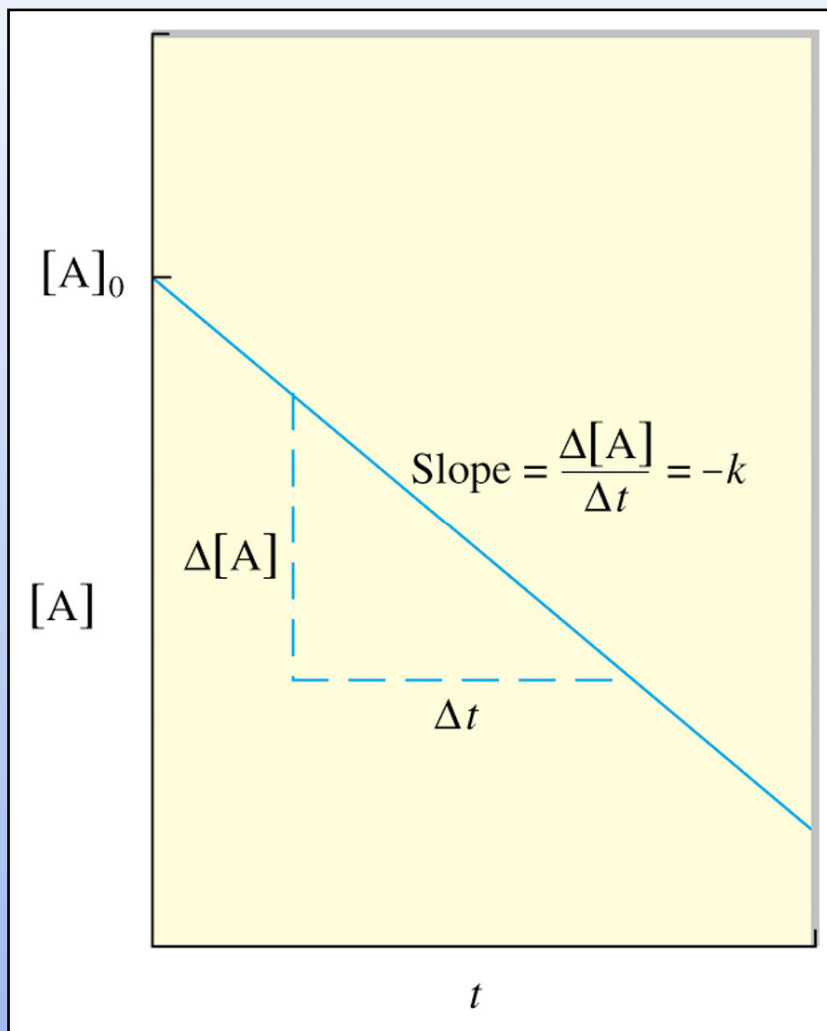


## Zeroth Order

$$[A] = -akt + [A]_0$$

Plot of  $[A]$  vs time yields a straight line with a slope of  $-ak$





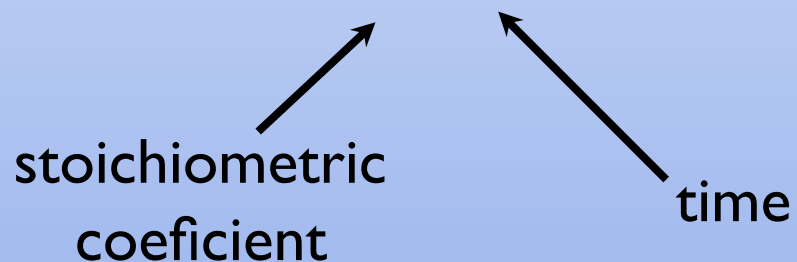
# Integrated Rate Law

## Second Order

The rate is dependent of the concentration of our reactant A squared

$$\text{rate} = \frac{-d[A]}{adt} = k[A]^2$$

then some calculus



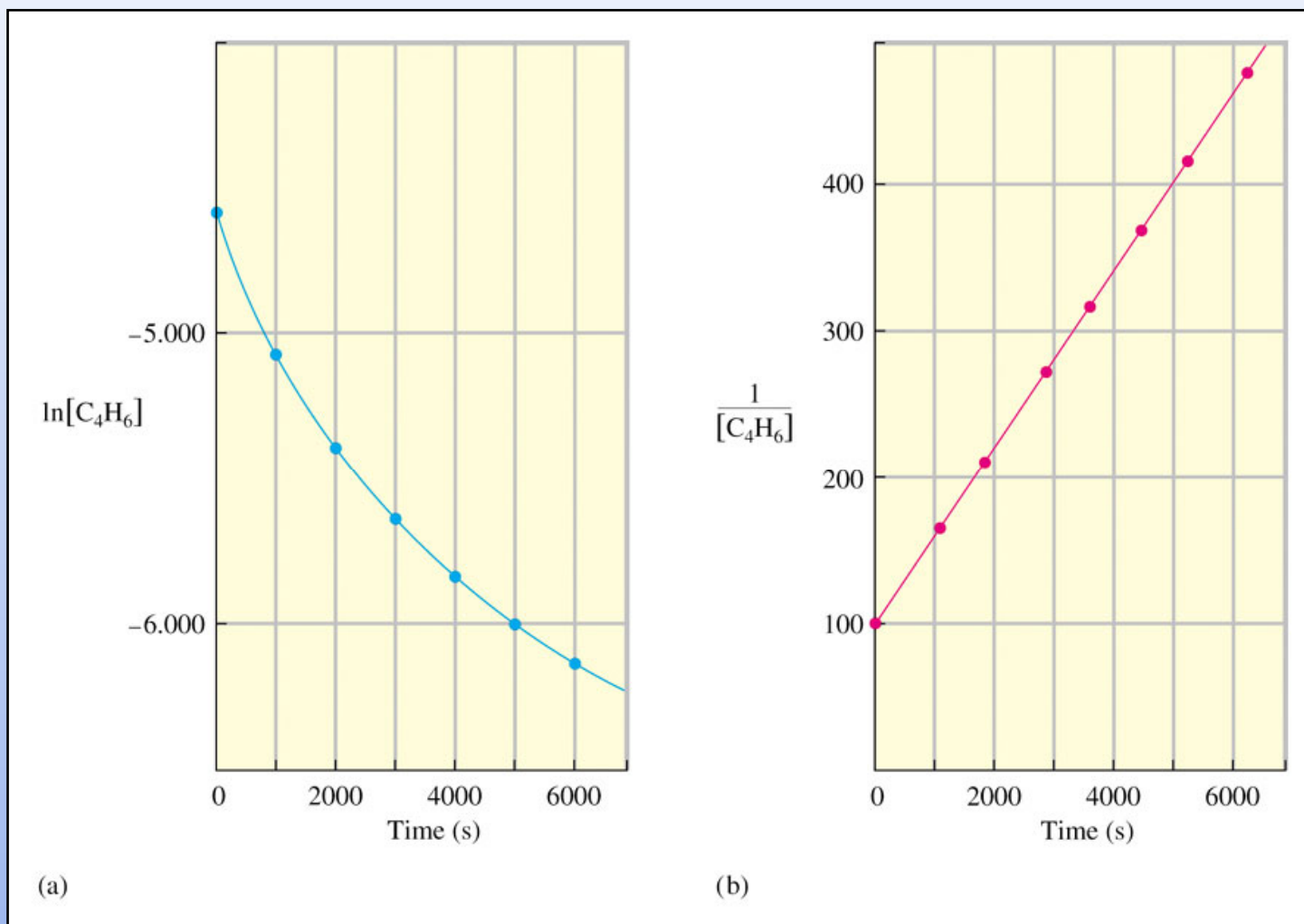
# Integrated Rate Law

## Second Order

$$1/[A] = akt + 1/[A]_0$$

So if you plot  $1/[A]$  vs time you get a straight line with a slope of  $ak$

# Graphically determining the overall order of a reaction



**TABLE 15.6** Summary of the Kinetics for Reactions of the Type  $aA \longrightarrow$  Products That Are Zero, First, or Second Order in  $[A]$

	Order		
	Zero	First	Second
Rate law	Rate = $k$	Rate = $k[A]$	Rate = $k[A]^2$
Integrated rate law	$[A] = -kt + [A]_0$	$\ln[A] = -kt + \ln[A]_0$	$\frac{1}{[A]} = kt + \frac{1}{[A]_0}$
Plot needed to give a straight line	$[A]$ versus $t$	$\ln[A]$ versus $t$	$\frac{1}{[A]}$ versus $t$
Relationship of rate constant to the slope of straight line	Slope = $-k$	Slope = $-k$	Slope = $k$
Half-life	$t_{1/2} = \frac{[A]_0}{2k}$	$t_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{k}$	$t_{1/2} = \frac{1}{k[A]_0}$

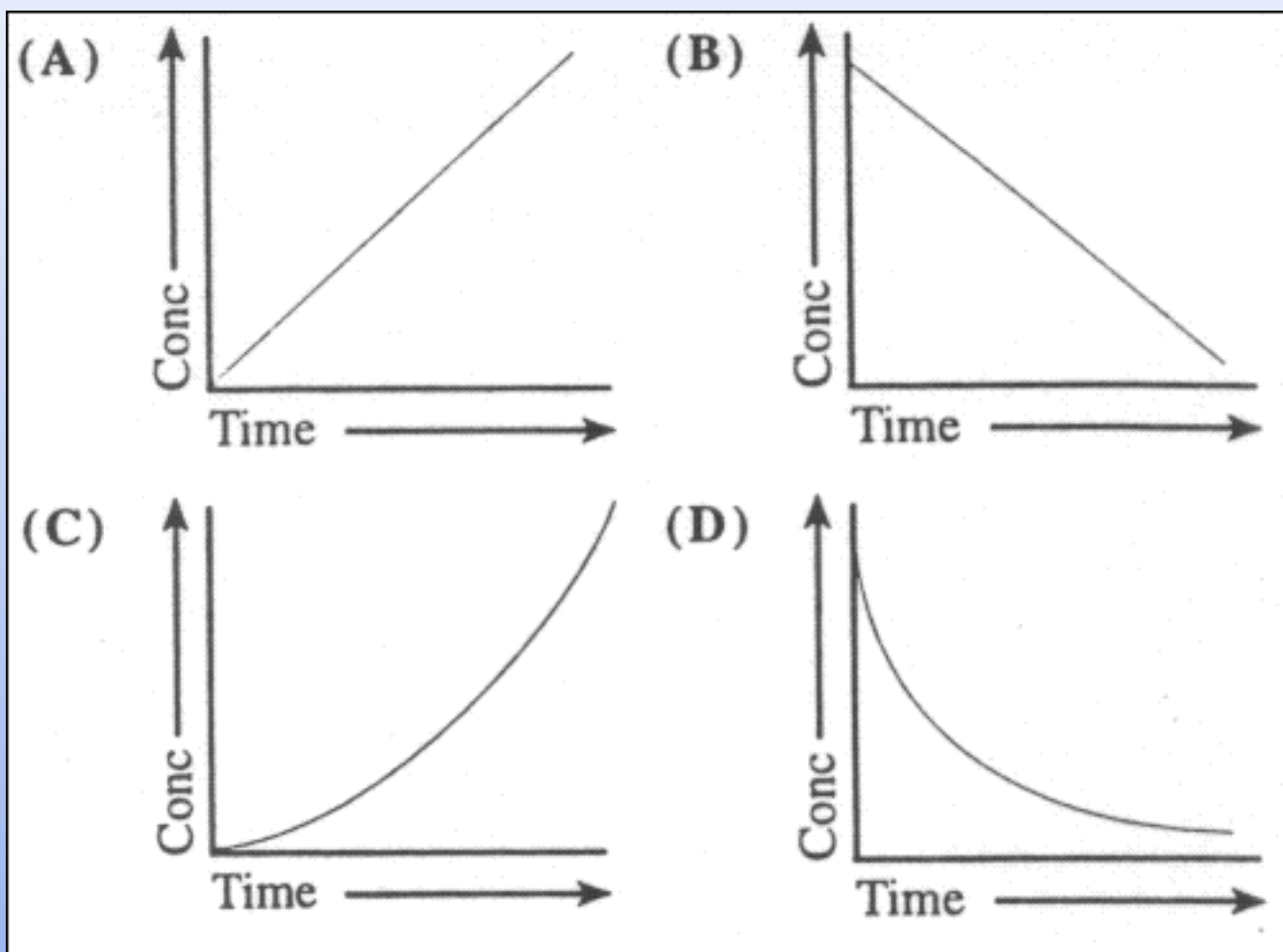
# Half Life

Time after which half the material has reacted

Important for first order reactions  
as it is independent of the concentration

$$t_{1/2} = \ln 2/k = 0.693/k$$

Which of the following is a plot of the concentration of a reactant that is first order?



Which of the following is a plot of the concentration of a reactant that is zeroth order?

