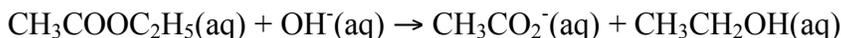


Chem 402—Physical Chemistry
Homework Problem Set—Chapter 22

Due Thursday, Feb. 14, 2008

1. At 518 °C, the rate of decomposition of a sample of gaseous acetaldehyde, initially at a pressure of 363 Torr, was 10.7 Torr s⁻¹ when 5.0% has reacted, and 0.76 Torr s⁻¹ when 20.0% had reacted. Determine the order of the reaction.
2. A second order reaction of the type A + B → products was carried out in a solution that was initially 0.050 M in A and 0.080 M in B. After 1.0 h the concentration of A had fallen to 0.020 M. (a) Calculate the rate coefficient. (b) What is the half-life of the reactants?

3. The second order rate coefficient for the reaction



is 0.11 L mol⁻¹ s⁻¹. If the initial concentrations are [NaOH] = 0.050 M and [CH₃COOC₂H₅] = 0.100 M, what is the concentration of ester after (a) 10 s, and (b) 10 min?

4. A 1st order decomposition reaction is observed to have the following rate coefficients at the indicated temperatures. Determine the activation energy of the reaction.

k(s ⁻¹)	2.46 x 10 ⁻³	45.1 x 10 ⁻³	576 x 10 ⁻³
T(°C)	0.0	20.0	40.0

5. The 2nd order rate coefficients for the reaction of oxygen atom with benzene have been measured. Determine the pre-exponential factor and activation energy for this reaction.

k(L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹)	1.44 x 10 ⁷	3.03 x 10 ⁷	6.9 x 10 ⁷
T(K)	300.3	341.2	392.2

6. The reaction mechanism below involves an intermediate A. Deduce the rate law for the reaction.



7. Pharmacokinetics is the study of the rates of absorption and elimination of drugs by organisms. Usually, elimination is slower than absorption and is a more important determinant of availability of a drug for binding to its target. Elimination mechanisms may include metabolism in the liver, intestine, or kidneys followed by excretion. Consider elimination of a beta blocker, a drug used for the treatment of hypertension. After intravenous administration of a beta blocker, the blood plasma of a patient was analyzed for remaining drug. The data are given below where c is the drug concentration measured at time t after injection. (a) Determine whether removal of the drug is a 1st order or 2nd order process. (b) Calculate the rate coefficient and half-life of the process.

$t(\text{min})$	30	60	120	150	240	360	480
$c(\text{ng cm}^{-3})$	699	622	413	292	152	60	24