

# Chemical Reactions via mass-action kinetics

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velocity of reaction:  $v =$  rate of change of each species  
+ for product, - for reactants

1.  $A + B \xrightarrow{k} C$ : A, B reactants, C product,  $k =$  rate constant

$$v = -\frac{dA}{dt} = -\frac{dB}{dt} = +\frac{dC}{dt} \Rightarrow A' = -C', B' = -C'$$
$$\Rightarrow A + C = \text{const.} = A_0, B + C = \text{const.} = B_0$$
$$\Rightarrow A = A_0 - C, B = B_0 - C$$

mass action:  $\frac{dC}{dt} = k \cdot A \cdot B$

Set  $y = C$ :  $\begin{cases} y' = k(A_0 - y)(B_0 - y) \\ y(0) = y_0 \end{cases}$  1<sup>st</sup> order ODE, separable

2.  $2A + 3B \xrightarrow{k} 4C$

$$v = -\frac{1}{2}A' = -\frac{1}{3}B' = \frac{1}{4}C' \Rightarrow A' = -\frac{1}{2}C', B' = -\frac{3}{4}C'$$
$$A = A_0 - \frac{1}{2}C, B = B_0 - \frac{3}{4}C$$

$$\frac{dC}{dt} = k A^2 B^3$$

Set  $y = C$ :  $\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dt} = k(A_0 - \frac{1}{2}y)^2(B_0 - \frac{3}{4}y)^3 \\ y(0) = y_0 \end{cases}$

3.  $A + B \xrightleftharpoons[k_2]{k_1} C$  they are 2 reactions:  $A + B \xrightarrow{k_1} C$  and  $C \xrightarrow{k_2} A + B$

$$v_1 = -A' = -B' = C'$$

$$v_2 = -C' = A' = B'$$

$$A = A_0 - C, B = B_0 - C$$

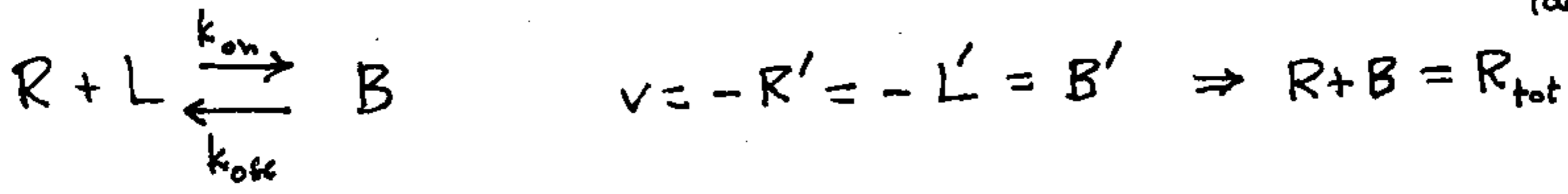
$$\frac{dC}{dt} = k_1 AB - k_2 C$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = -k_1 AB + k_2 C = -\frac{dC}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dB}{dt} = -k_1 AB + k_2 C = -\frac{dC}{dt}$$

Set  $y = C$ :  $\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dt} = k_1(A_0 - y)(B_0 - y) - k_2 y \\ y(0) = y_0 \end{cases}$

This type is fundamental in receptor-ligand dynamics, giving bound receptors (activated)



$$\Rightarrow \frac{dB}{dt} = k_{on} L (R_{tot} - B) - k_{off} B$$

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = -k_{on} L (R_{tot} - B) + k_{off} B = -\frac{dB}{dt}$$

$$\left( \frac{dR}{dt} = -\frac{dB}{dt} \right)$$

4. Michaelis-Menten kinetics (enzymatic reactions)



E = enzyme :  $E_0 = [E] + [ES]$   
free bound  
 S = substrate  
 P = product

$$(1) \frac{d[ES]}{dt} = k_1 E \cdot S - k_{-1} [ES] - k_2 [ES] \quad \frac{dE}{dt} = -k_1 E \cdot S + k_{-1} [ES] + k_2 [ES] = -\frac{d[ES]}{dt}$$

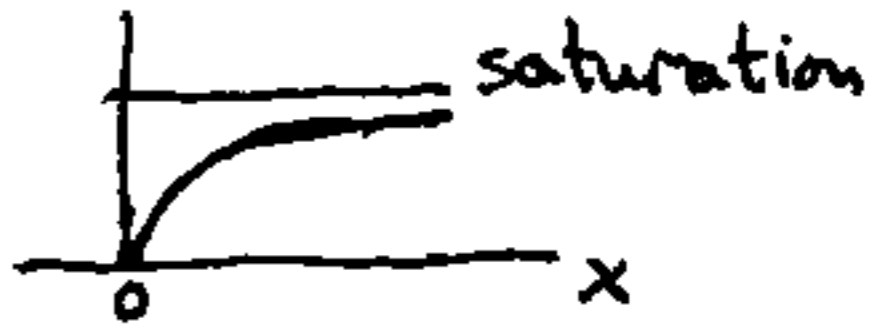
$$(2) \frac{dP}{dt} = k_2 [ES] \quad \frac{dS}{dt} = -k_1 E \cdot S$$

Assume: [ES] is quasi-stationary (changes much slower than [S] and [P]) so  $\frac{d[ES]}{dt} \sim 0 = -\frac{dE}{dt}$   
 $[E] + [ES] = \text{const.} =: E_0$

$$(1) \Rightarrow \frac{d[ES]}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow k_1 E \cdot S = (k_{-1} + k_2) [ES] \Rightarrow S \cdot E_0 = S \cdot [ES] + \frac{k_{-1} + k_2}{k_1} [ES]$$

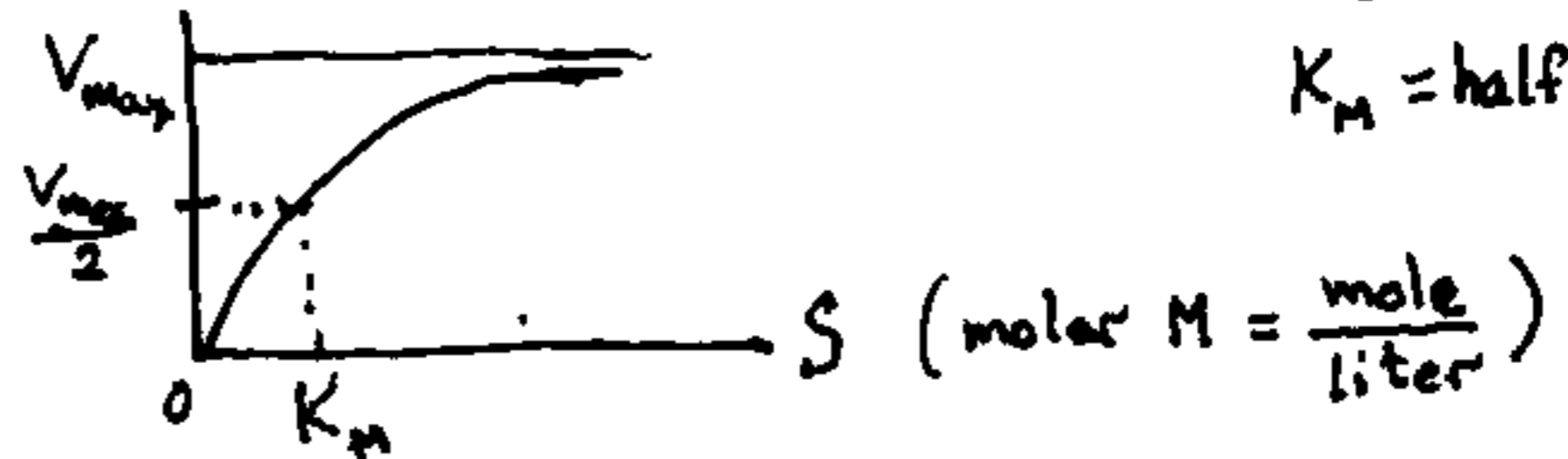
$$= (K_m + S) [ES]$$

$$\Rightarrow [ES] = \frac{E_0 \cdot S}{K_m + S} \text{ of the form } C(x) = C_\infty \cdot \frac{x}{K_m + x}$$



$$(2) \Rightarrow \frac{dP}{dt} = k_2 E_0 \cdot \frac{S}{K_m + S} = \frac{v_{max} \cdot S}{K_m + S} = \text{velocity of reaction} = v(S)$$

$v(0) = 0$   
 $v(\infty) = v_{max}$   
 $K_m = \text{half max const.}$



usually rates are hard to find (measure), but  $K_m, v_{max}$  can be found from experimental plot

Michaelis-Menten-Monod equation:

$$C(x) = C_{\infty} \frac{x}{K_m + x}$$

$C$  = fraction of enzyme bound to ligand

$C_{\infty}$  = saturation value

$x$  = free (unbound) ligand concentration

Hill equation: 
$$C(x) = C_{\infty} \frac{x^n}{K_d + x^n}$$

$n$  = Hill coefficient

$K_d$  = dissociation const. =  $\frac{k_{-1}}{k_{+1}}$

$K_m$  = half-saturation const.

