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## ENVIRONMENTAL REACTION KINETICS

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**Rate Expressions:** Sequential Reactions  
Brezonik, pp.39-58, 240-241

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Introduction

## Mechanisms: Haloform Reaction

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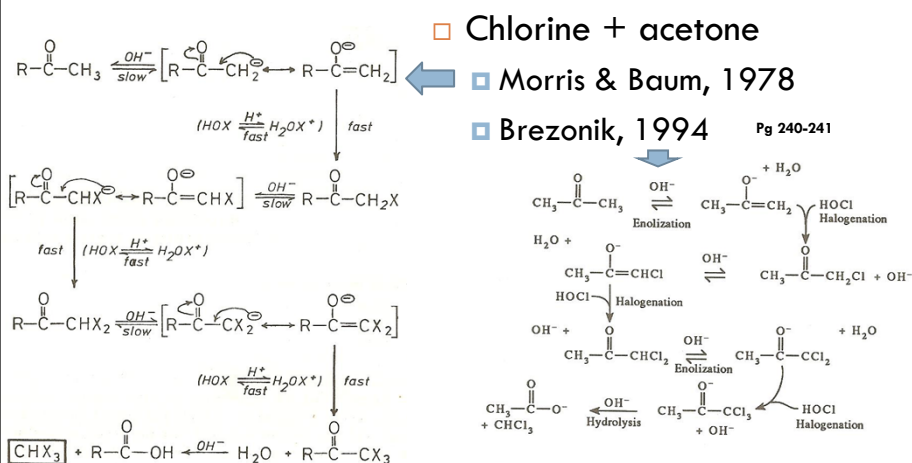


Figure 4-25. Reaction scheme for production of chloroform from acetone by the classic haloform reaction.

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## Haloform reaction: initial step

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- Three potential pathways to enolate
  - Reaction with water ( $K_O$ ), hydroxide ( $K_{OH}$ ), and proton ( $K_H$ )
    - $k_f = K_O + K_{OH}[\text{OH}^-] + K_H[\text{H}^+]$
    - For acetone, the OH pathway dominates above pH 5.5

Table I. Rates of Ionization of Ketones<sup>3,4</sup>

Substance	pK <sub>a</sub>	K <sub>O</sub> sec <sup>-1</sup>	K <sub>OH</sub> l/mol, sec	K <sub>H</sub> l/mol, sec	t <sub>50</sub> pH 7, hr	t <sub>50</sub> pH 8.3, hr
Acetone	20	4.7 × 10 <sup>-10</sup>	0.25	2.9 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	7500	385
Chloroacetone	16.5	5.3 × 10 <sup>-8</sup>	93	6.3 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	21	1.0
as-Dichloroacetone	15	7.3 × 10 <sup>-6</sup>	450	1.1 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	3.7	0.21
Pyruvic acid <sup>6</sup>		4.5 × 10 <sup>-7</sup>				
Ethyl pyruvate <sup>6</sup>	16	4.7 × 10 <sup>-7</sup>				
Acetylacetone	9.0	1.1 × 10 <sup>-2</sup>				
Ethyl acetoacetate	10.7	1.2 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>				
Malonic acid		1.7 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>				

$$K_a = \frac{k_f}{k_r} = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]}$$

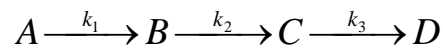
What is  $k_r$ ?

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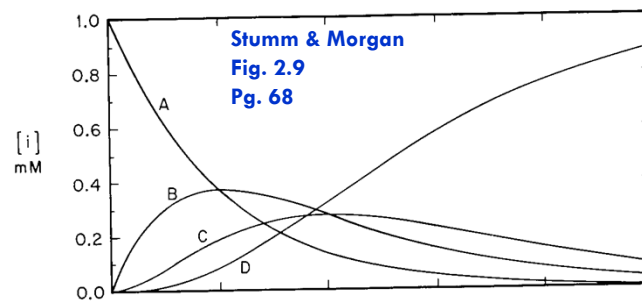
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## Reactions in Series

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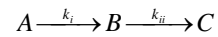
$$k_1 = k_2 = k_3 = 0.1 \text{ day}^{-1}$$



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# Consecutive Reactions I



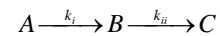
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- Overall rate determined by slowest step
  - If  $k_i \gg k_{ii}$ 
    - A rapidly forms B which then reacts slowly
    - $d[C]/dt \approx k_{ii}[B]$
  - If  $k_i \ll k_{ii}$ 
    - B never builds up; it reacts as soon as it is formed
    - $d[C]/dt \approx k_i[A]$
  - If  $k_i \sim k_{ii}$ 
    - B slowly builds up then disappears
    - Rate must consider both reactions

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# Consecutive Reactions II

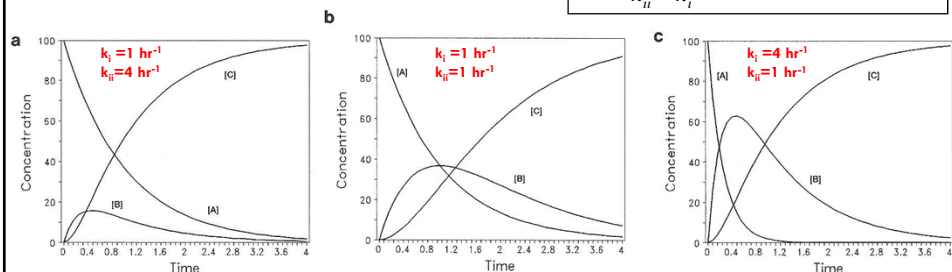


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- Writing a separate equation for each species

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d[A]}{dt} &= -k_i[A] && \longrightarrow && [A] = [A]_0 e^{-k_i t} \\ \frac{d[B]}{dt} &= k_i[A] - k_{ii}[B] && \longrightarrow && \frac{d[B]}{dt} = k_i \{ [A]_0 e^{-k_i t} \} - k_{ii}[B] && \longrightarrow && [B] = \frac{k_i [A]_0}{k_{ii} - k_i} \{ e^{-k_i t} - e^{-k_{ii} t} \} \\ \frac{d[C]}{dt} &= k_{ii}[B] && \longrightarrow && [C] = \frac{[A]_0}{k_{ii} - k_i} \{ k_{ii} (1 - e^{-k_i t}) - k_i (1 - e^{-k_{ii} t}) \} \end{aligned}$$

Note that this  $k_i$  was inadvertently left out of equ. 2-47 in Brezonik



## Limiting Cases

$A \xrightarrow{k_i} B \xrightarrow{k_{ii}} C$

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□ If  $k_i \gg k_{ii}$

$$[B] = \frac{k_i[A]_0}{k_{ii} - k_i} \{e^{-k_i t} - e^{-k_{ii} t}\}$$

$$[B] = [A]_0 \{e^{-k_{ii} t}\}$$

□ If  $k_{ii} \gg k_i$

$$[B] = \frac{k_i[A]_0}{k_{ii}} \{e^{-k_i t}\}$$

$[C] = \frac{[A]_0}{k_{ii} - k_i} \{k_{ii}(1 - e^{-k_i t}) - k_i(1 - e^{-k_{ii} t})\}$

$$[C] = [A]_0 \left\{ -\frac{k_{ii}}{k_i} + (1 - e^{-k_{ii} t}) \right\}$$

$$[C] = [A]_0 (1 - e^{-k_{ii} t})$$

$[C] = [A]_0 \left\{ (1 - e^{-k_i t}) - \frac{k_i}{k_{ii}} \right\}$

$$[C] = [A]_0 (1 - e^{-k_i t})$$

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## Focusing on [B]

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□ Often we are concerned with the maximum concentration of "B"

- ▣ This occurs when  $d[B]/dt = 0$
- ▣ And combining this with the general solution for [B]:

$$\frac{d[B]}{dt} = k_i[A] - k_{ii}[B]$$

$$k_i[A] = k_{ii}[B]_{\max}$$

$$[B]_{\max} = \frac{k_i}{k_{ii}}[A]$$

$$= \frac{k_i}{k_{ii}}[A]_0 e^{-k_i t_{\max-B}}$$

$$t_{\max-B} = \frac{1}{k_i - k_{ii}} \ln \left( \frac{k_i}{k_{ii}} \right)$$

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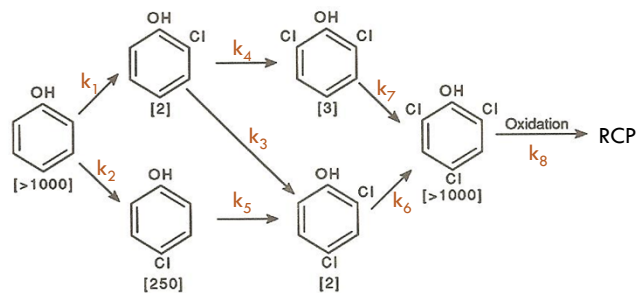
# Chlorination of Phenol

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Table 4-8. Rate Constants ( $k_{obs}$ ) for Chlorination of Phenols<sup>a</sup>

pH	Phenol	2-Chloro-phenol	4-Chloro-phenol	2,4-Dichloro-phenol	2,6-Dichloro-phenol	2,4,6-Trichlorophenol
5	2.09E2	4.03E2	9.60E1	2.38E2	6.32E2	1.17E2
6	4.82E2	1.04E3	2.98E2	4.02E2	1.34E3	3.46E2
7	2.23E3	3.16E3	8.93E2	1.76E3	4.95E3	5.16E2
8	6.15E3	8.15E3	1.84E3	2.72E3	2.19E3	1.45E2
9	6.14E3	3.21E3	1.54E3	5.48E2	2.96E2	1.34E1
10	2.84E3	4.30E3	4.15E2	6.32E1	3.09E1	9.05E-1
11	4.73E2	4.60E1	4.70E1	6.37	3.12	5.44E-2
12	4.50E1	4.60	4.54	6.36E-1	3.15E-1	1.81E-3

<sup>a</sup> T = 25°C; I = 0.02; [Cl] = 10<sup>-1</sup> M. From Lee, G.F., in *Principles and Applications of Water Chemistry*, S.D. Faust and J.V. Hunter (Eds.), John Wiley & Sons, New York, 1967.



## pH effects

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- Role of pH in reactant speciation
  - ▣ HOCl vs OCl<sup>-</sup>
  - ▣ Phenolic vs phenate
- Maximum at mid-pH
  - ▣ Between  $K_a$ 's for HOCl and phenolic

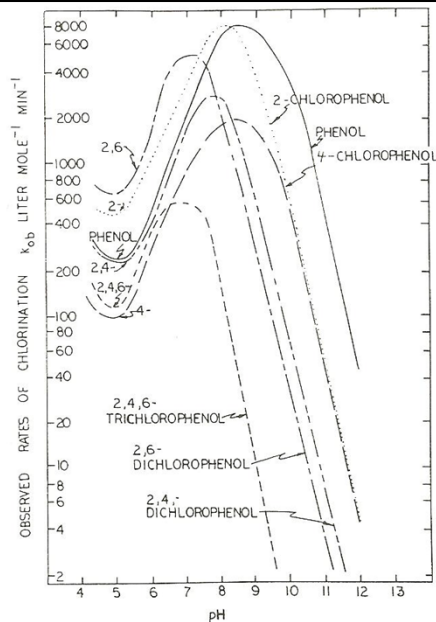
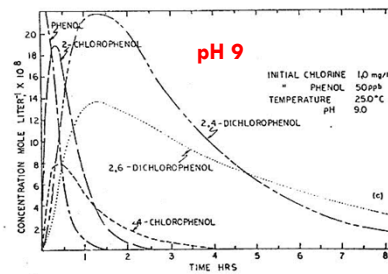
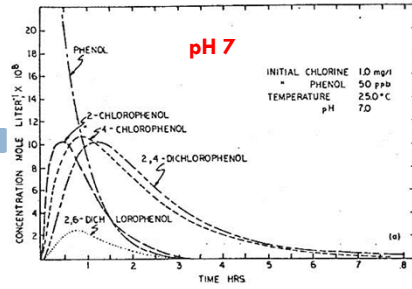
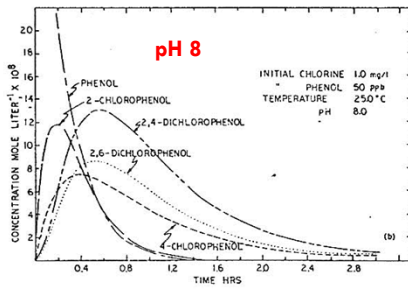


Figure 4-24. Variation in  $k_{obs}$  vs. pH for chlorination of phenol and various chlorophenol intermediates. [From Lee, G.F., in *Principles and Applications of Water Chemistry*, S.D. Faust and J.V. Hunter (Eds.), John Wiley & Sons, New York, 1967. With permission.]

# Models I

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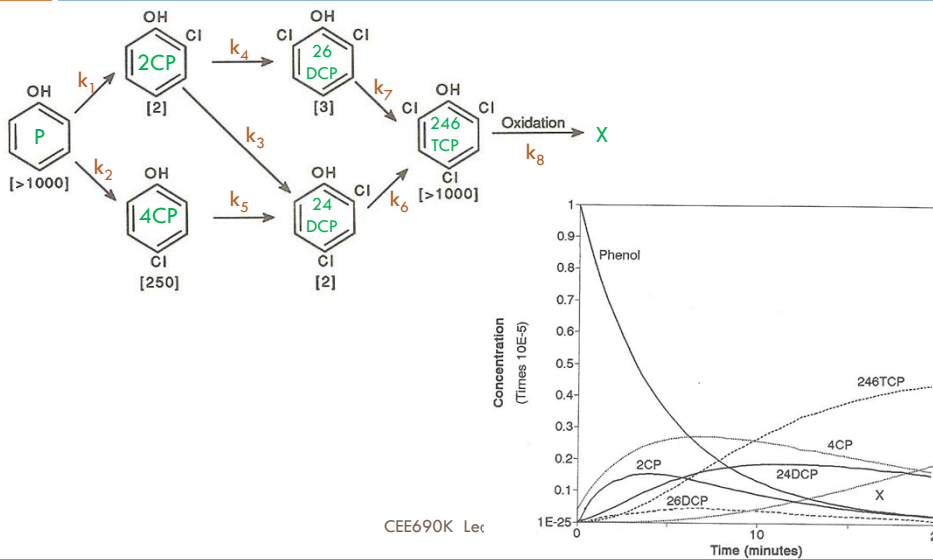
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# Modeling phenol chlorination II

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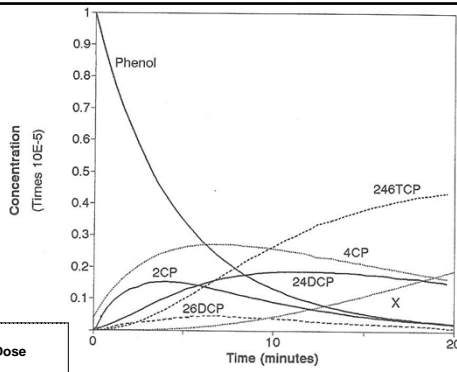
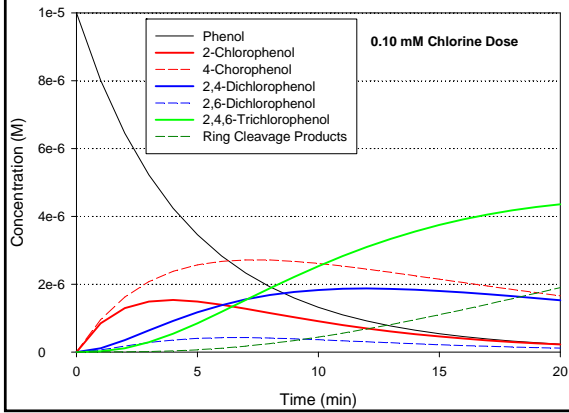


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