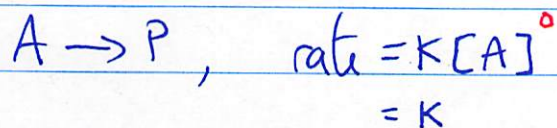


Zero-order

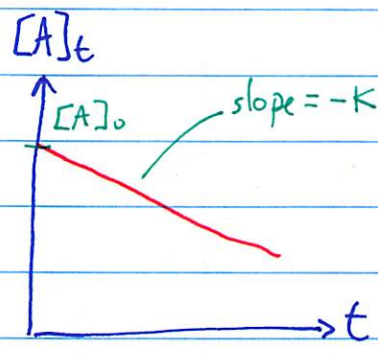


calculus \rightarrow

$$-\frac{\Delta[A]}{\Delta t} = k$$

$$[A]_t = -kt + [A]_0$$

$y = mx + b$



Half-life, $t_{1/2}$

time for $\frac{1}{2}$ of reactants to be used up

- can calculate from integrated rate law \sim depends upon order

1st order, $t_{1/2}$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} @ t=0, [A] = [A]_0 \\ @ t=t_{1/2}, [A] = \frac{1}{2}[A]_0 \end{array} \right\} \ln \frac{[A]_t}{[A]_0} = -kt$$
$$\Rightarrow \ln \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}[A]_0}{[A]_0} \right) = -kt_{1/2}$$

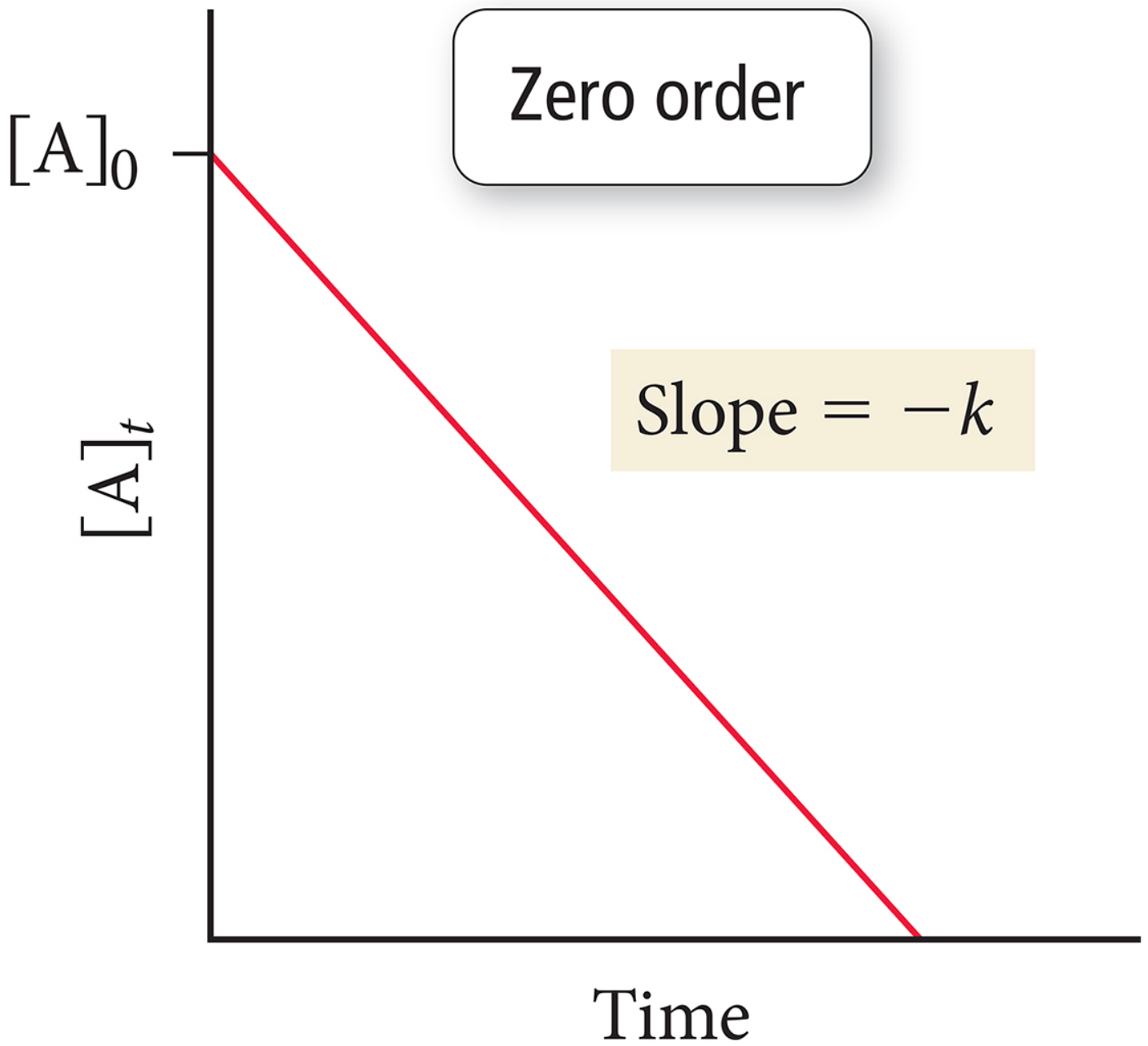
$$\Rightarrow \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -kt_{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow t_{1/2} = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{-k} = \frac{-0.693}{-k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{t_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{k}}$$

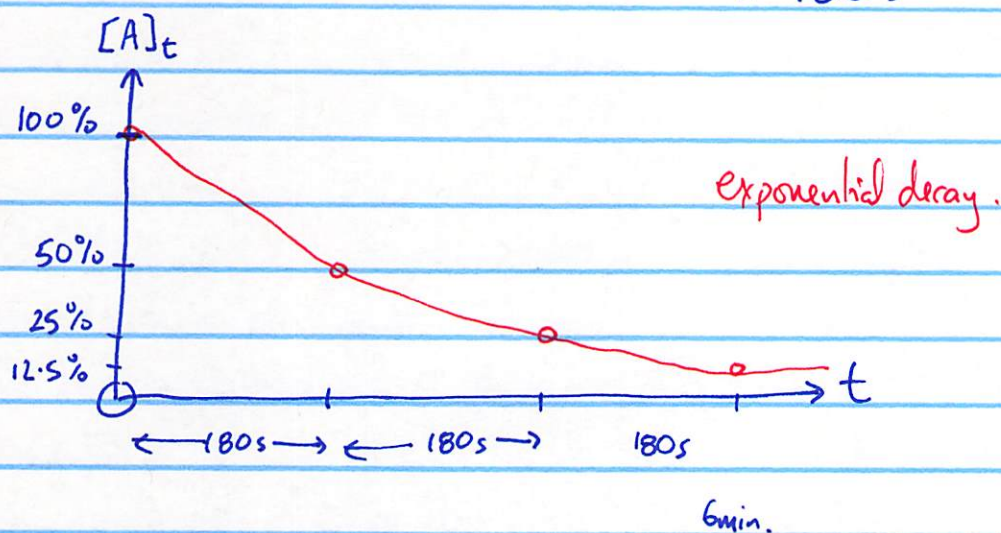
* 1st order *

\sim doesn't depend on orig conc of A!



ex: if $k = 3.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (1st order kinetics), $t_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{3.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}}$

$= 180 \text{ s}$ (3^o min)



2nd order

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} @ t=0, [A] = [A]_0 \\ @ t=t_{1/2}, [A] = \frac{1}{2}[A]_0 \end{array} \right\} \frac{1}{[A]_t} = kt + \frac{1}{[A]_0}$$

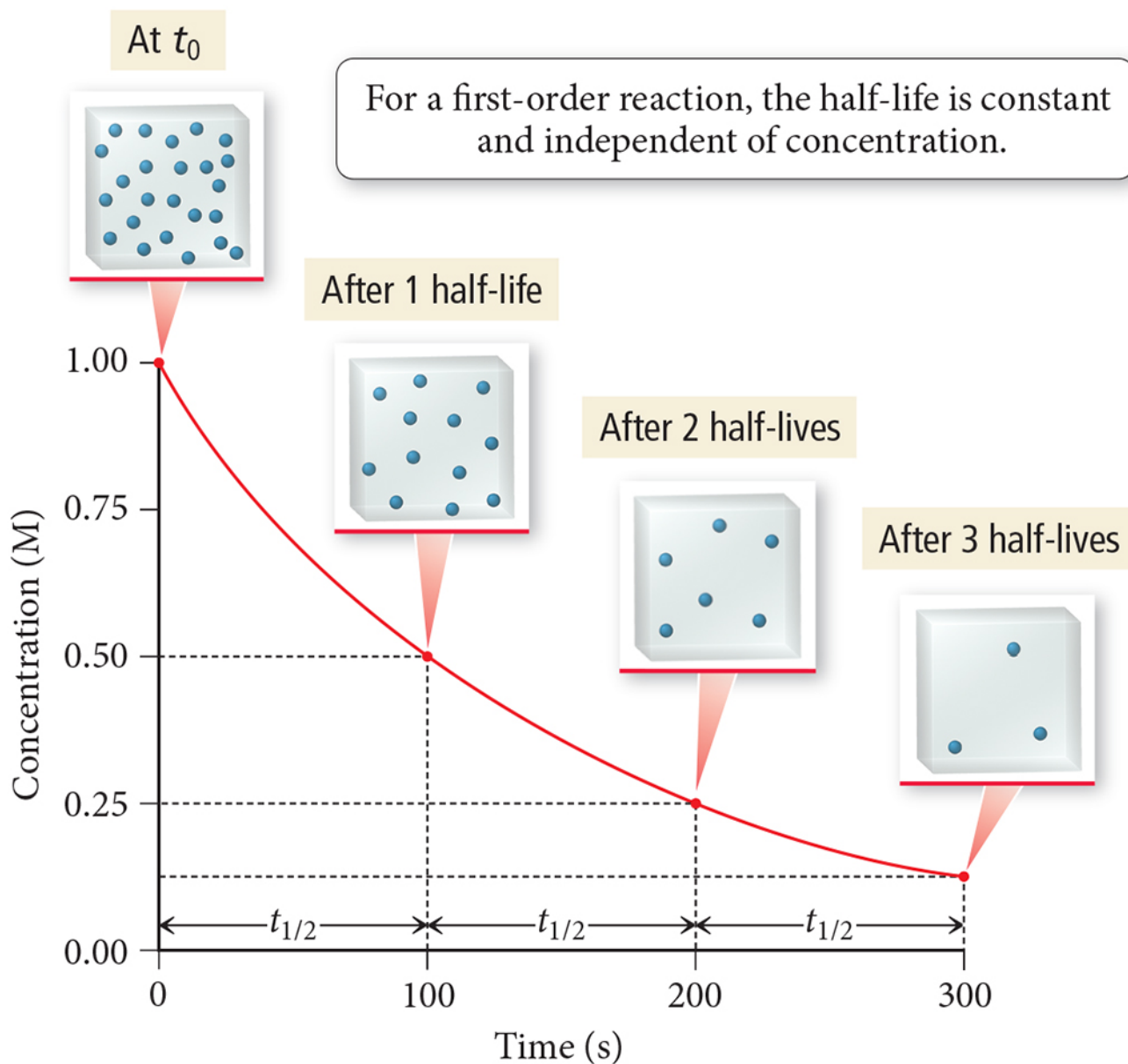
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}[A]_0} = kt_{1/2} + \frac{1}{[A]_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{[A]_0} = kt_{1/2} + \frac{1}{[A]_0} \quad \Rightarrow \frac{2}{[A]_0} - \frac{1}{[A]_0} = \frac{kt_{1/2}}{1}$$

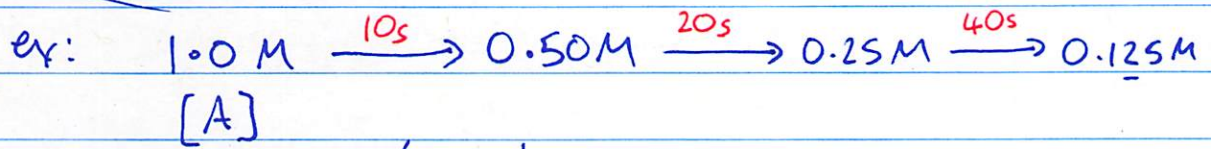
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{k[A]_0} = t_{1/2}}$$

- not a constant (like 1st order)
- keeps increasing as $[A]_0 \downarrow$

Half-Life for a First-Order Reaction



2nd order



$$t_{1/2} = \frac{1}{k[A]_0}$$

Zero-order

can show:

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{[A]_0}{2k}$$

(depends on $[A]_0$!)