

Lec (14) CHGM 30A

May 6th (1)

- ① MECHANISMS
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- ③ KINETICS vs THERMODYNAMICS
- ④ ADDITION ALKENES

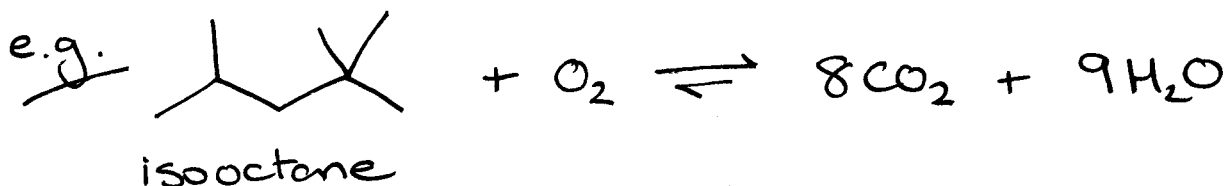
READ 6.1-6.3 PROBLEMS 6.1, 6.2 (3rd)

①+② Pages 6-8 from Lec 13

③ KINETICS vs THERMODYNAMICS

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how fast
will it happen

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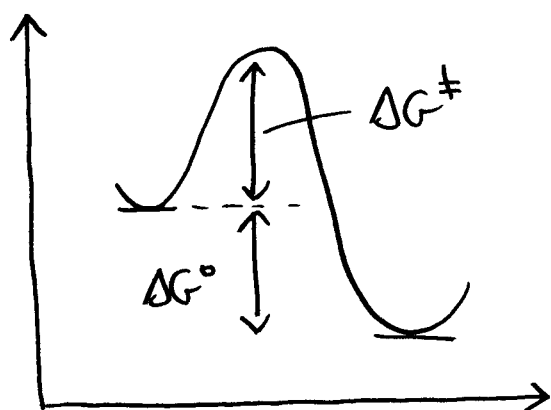
$$\Delta G^\circ = -1000 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

$K_{eq} = 10^{175}$ at 298K
(only 10^{86} atoms in observable universe!)

But isooctane is stable
(you put it in your car)

Energy is required to start the reaction
⇒ ACTIVATION ENERGY (spark plug!)

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Isooctane + O₂

THERMODYNAMICALLY
UNSTABLE, BUT
KINETICALLY STABLE

However, apply a burst of energy to a mixture of H₂O & CO₂ will NOT reconvert to octane and oxygen

(MENTION GRAPHITE/DIAMOND)

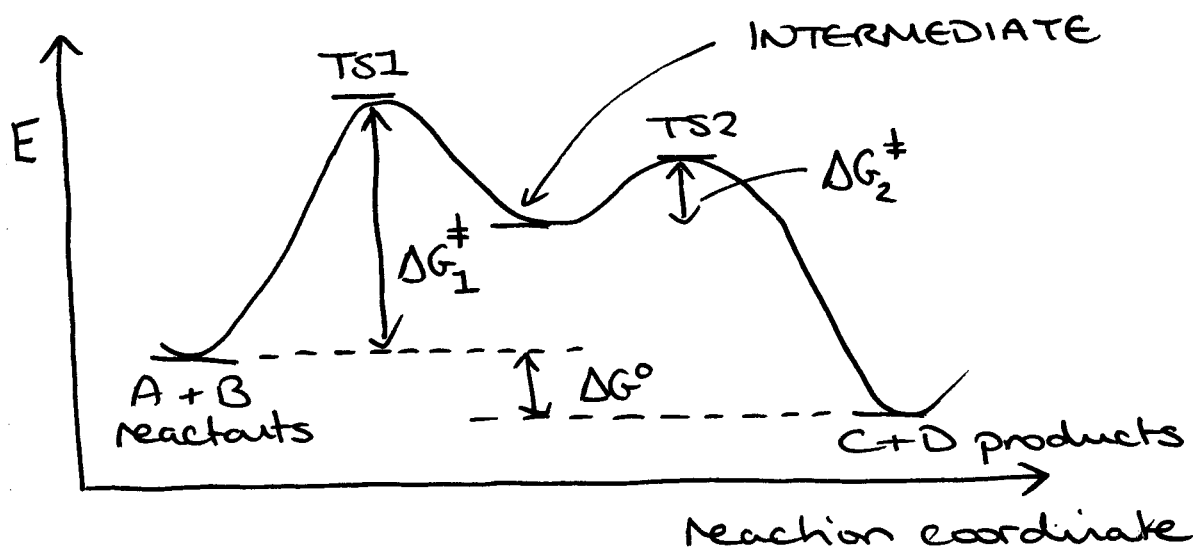
Energy barriers and rate (consider BOND ROTATIONS → some principles as reactions)

	E _A (kcal/mol)	k (s ⁻¹) (298 K)	t _{1/2}
$\text{H}_3\text{C}-\downarrow-\text{CH}_3$	3	5×10^{10}	0.02 ns
$\text{Cl}_3\text{C}-\downarrow-\text{CCl}_3$	11	8×10^4	10 ps
$\text{me}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\underset{\text{H}}{\text{N}}-\text{H}$ ↑	17	3	0.2 s
$\text{Ph}-\downarrow-\text{Ph}$ H H	45	2×10^{-19}	~10 ¹¹ years

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(Age of the earth $\sim 4.6 \times 10^9$ YEARS)

- energy profiles \Rightarrow 2 STEP RXN



REACTION INTERMEDIATE \Rightarrow localized energy minimum between two TRANSITION STATES (Sometimes possible to isolate)

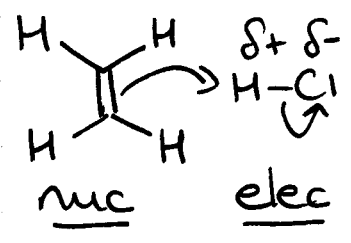
Slowest STEP in a multistep process (one w/ highest barrier) is called the RATE DETERMINING STEP (RDS)

- RDS in on graph above

④ ELECTROPHILIC ADDITION TO ALKENES



mechanism:



slow
(RDS)

