Proton-transfer reactions...



Substitution





Elimination Reactions ... the reverse of addition, forms a pi bond.



Oxidation ... the addition of O or removal of H_2



Reductions ... the addition of hydrogen, H_2



Rearrangements







Enthalpy - $\Delta H \dots$

 ΔH°_{r} can be approximated by using...

Bond energies: $\Delta H_r^{\circ} = \Sigma$ (bonds broken) - Σ (bonds formed)

For example:

$$\begin{array}{c} H & H \\ C = C & + H - H \longrightarrow H_3 C - CH_3 \\ H & H \end{array}$$

$$\Delta H^{\circ}_{r} = (C=C + H-H) - (2 \times C-H + C-C)$$

= (611 + 437) - (2 × 414 + 347)
= -127 KJ/mol

Reactions in which the products have stronger than the reactants will tend to have...

Entropy - ΔS

•Entropy is a measure of... disorder.

•Gases have more disorder than liquids and solutions, liquids and solutions more disorder than solids.

• ΔS°_{r} is positive for processes that involve an increase in disorder and negative for processes that involve an increase in order:

 $H_2O(s) \longrightarrow H_2O(l)$

 $CH_3OH(l) + SOCl_2(l) \longrightarrow CH_3Cl(g) + SO_2(g) + HCl(g)$

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•<u>The Second Law of Thermodynamics</u>: For any spontaneous process, the entropy of the universe will increase.

As applied to chemical reactions, for any product-favoured process, the entropy of the universe will increase.

The entropy of the universe is increased by:

- an increase in entropy within the reaction
- the release of heat from the reaction that increases the disorder of the surroundings
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This is quantitated by Gibbs Free energy - $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$

Product-favoured reactions will have... ΔG



•Chemical reactions will tend to be product favoured when...

The bonds are stronger in the products than in the reactants ΔH and

There are more product molecules than reactant molecules. ΔS

A reaction Mechanism describes the series of steps that the reactants take to form the products.



Each step in a reaction mechanism is referred to as an elementary process.

•The following reaction constitutes three elementary processes:



•Reactions consist of one or more elementary processes. The overall reaction is the sum of the elementary processes and the collection of these elementary processes describe the *reaction mechanism*.

•We can use a reaction profile diagram to follow the change in energy during an elementary process.





•The highest energy point on the reaction profile diagram occurs at the transition state for the reaction. A transition state is highly unstable and short lived and cannot be isolated or observed.

•Each elementary process will have its own transition state but it is NOT shown in the reaction mechanism.

•In multi step mechanisms (i.e. more than one elementary process) there will be intermediates, the products of elementary processes. Intermediates are semi stable molecules or ions that can often be observed. For a spontaneous reaction, intermediates will never be more stable than the final product.



•A catalyst is a species that increases the rate of reaction by providing an alternative mechanism. Catalysts are neither created nor consumed.

•In order to speed up the rate of reaction, a catalyst must speed up the rate determining step of the reaction. The rate determining step is the *slowest elementary process*.

•The rate determining step is the only step which affects the overall rate of the reaction – it is the 'bottleneck' of the reaction mechanism.



Which is the RDS?

Operational Species



Operational Species

Common leaving groups:

Generic Molecule	Leaving Group	Conjugate Acid	pK _a of Conjugate Acid
R-I	Ι-	HI	-11
R-Br	Br⁻	HBr	-9
R-Cl	Cl -	HCI	-7
R-OTs	TsO ⁻	HOTs	-6
R-OH ₂ +	H ₂ O	H ₃ O+	-1

Acids & Bases



Some typical pKas.

Acid	Ka	рКа
HClO ₄	10 ¹⁰	-10
HF	7.2 x 10 ⁻⁴	3.1
NH_4^+	6.3 x 10 ⁻¹⁰	9.2
H ₂ O	2.0 x 10 ⁻¹⁶	15.7
H ₂	10-35	35

•What does this mean for 'real life chemistry'?



•If you wanted this equilibrium to be product favoured, you would use a base...whose conjugate acid was weaker than phenol.

рКа	Compound types		
-10	mineral acids: H_2SO_4 , HI, HBr, HCl, sulfonic acids RSO_3H		
0	H_3O^+, H_3PO_4		
5	Carboxylic acids, HF, thiophenols ArSH, HN ₃		
10	Weak inorganic acids (H ₂ S, HCN, NH ₄ ⁺ , amine salts RNH_3^+ , phenols ArOH, thiols (RSH), aromatic amides ArCONH ₂		
15	H_2O , alcohols ROH, amids $RCONH_2$)		
20	Ketones (the alpha proton $H-CH_2COR$)		
25	Esters (the alpha proton H-CH ₂ CO ₂ R), alkynes RCCH, nitriles (H-CH ₂ CN)		
30	Anilines ArNH ₂		
40	Ammonia NH_3 , amines RNH_2 , benzylic protons $ArCH_3$		
45	Arenes ArH and alkenes RCH=CH ₂		
50	Alkanes		

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Trends in Acidity

Across the period...

Acid	Conjugate Base	рКа
H_3C — H		45
H_2N — H		36
НО—Н		15.7
F—H		3.1
Down a group		

НО—Н	15.7

Hybridization



 pK_{a} Resonance... H₃CH₂C 17 Ĥ 5 -H • 0 Η 10

Resonance effects greatly enhance the acidity of "activated" C—H bonds...







Inductive and Field effects



•These effects are...additive:



•These effects...drop off rapidly with increasing number of bonds:

