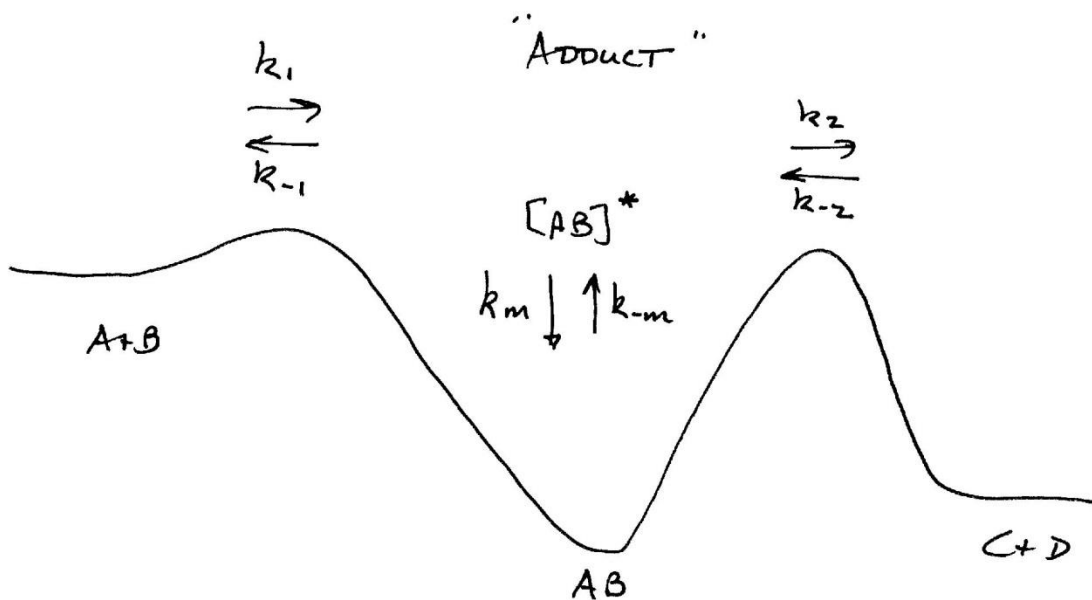


①



$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{d[A]}{dt} = -k_1[A][B] + k_{-1}[AB^*]$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \frac{d[AB^*]}{dt} = k_1[A][B] - k_{-1}[AB^*] + k_{-2}[C][D] - k_2[AB^*] - k_m[M][AB^*] + k_{-m}[AB][M]$$

Assume steady-state $[AB^*]$

$$k_1[A][B] - k_{-1}[AB^*] + k_{-2}[C][D] - k_2[AB^*] - k_m[M][AB^*] + k_{-m}[AB][M] = 0$$

Assume small

OR, rearranging

$$[AB^*] = \frac{k_1[A][B] + k_{-m}[M][AB]}{k_{-1} + k_2 + k_m[M]}$$

(2)

$$\text{So, } \frac{d[A]}{dt} = -k^{\text{II}} [A][B] = -k_1 [A][B] + k_{-1} [AB^*]$$

↑
Apparent 2nd order Rate Constant.

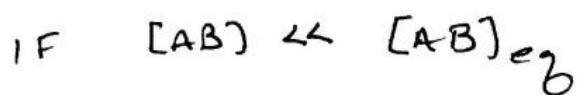
$$\frac{d[A]}{dt} = -k_1 [A][B] + k_{-1} \left\{ \frac{k_1 [A][B] + k_{-m} [M][AB]}{k_{-1} + k_2 + k_m [M]} \right\}$$

$$= -[A][B] \left\{ \frac{k_1 k_{-1} + k_1 k_2 + k_1 k_m [M] - k_{-1} k_{-m} [M] [AB]}{k_{-1} + k_2 + k_m [M]} \right\}$$

$$\text{OR, } k^{\text{II}} = \left\{ \frac{k_1 k_2 + k_1 k_m [M] - k_{-1} k_{-m} [M] [AB]}{k_{-1} + k_2 + k_m [M]} \right\}$$

$$k^{\text{II}} = k_1 \left\{ \frac{k_2 + k_m [M] - \frac{k_{-1} k_{-m}}{k_1} \left[\frac{[M][AB]}{[A][B]} \right]}{k_{-1} + k_2 + k_m [M]} \right\}$$

NOTE:



$$k_{II} = k_1 \left\{ \frac{k_2 + k_m[M]}{k_{-1} + k_2 + k_m[M]} \right\}$$

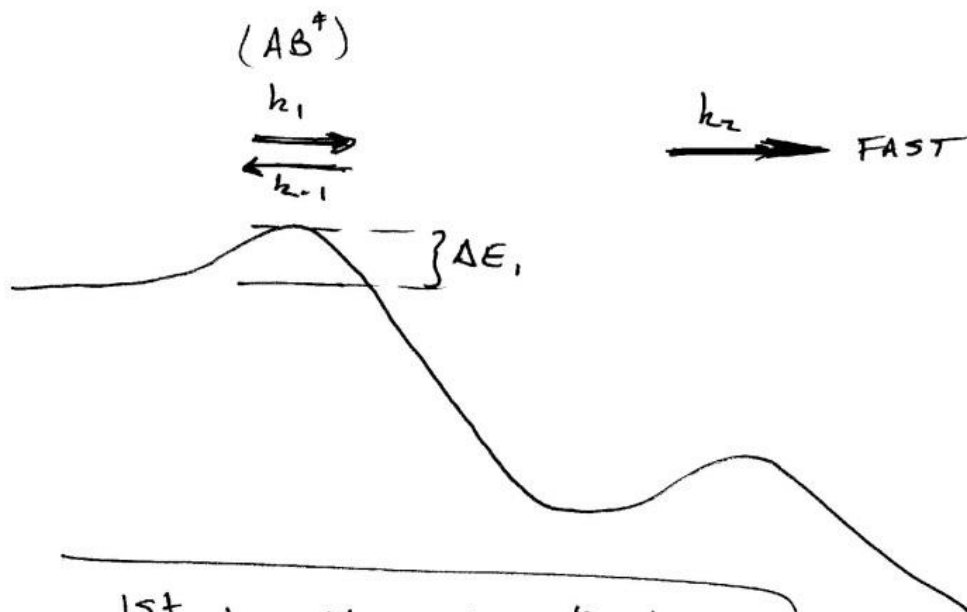
• Then, if k_2 is large,

$$k_2 + k_m[M] \sim k_2$$

$$k_2 + k_{-1} + k_m[M] \sim k_2$$

$$k_{II} = k_1 \cdot k_2 / k_2 = k_1 = A \cdot e^{-\Delta E_1 / RT}$$

k_2 large means what ?? Low barrier,



1st transition state limiting

(A) If 1st transition state is limiting, then we refer to the reaction as "simple bimolecular"

• IF $k_m[M] \gg k_{-1} + k_2$

$$k^{\text{II}} = k_1 \left(\frac{k_m[M]}{k_m[M]} \right) = k_1 \quad \text{Same result.}$$

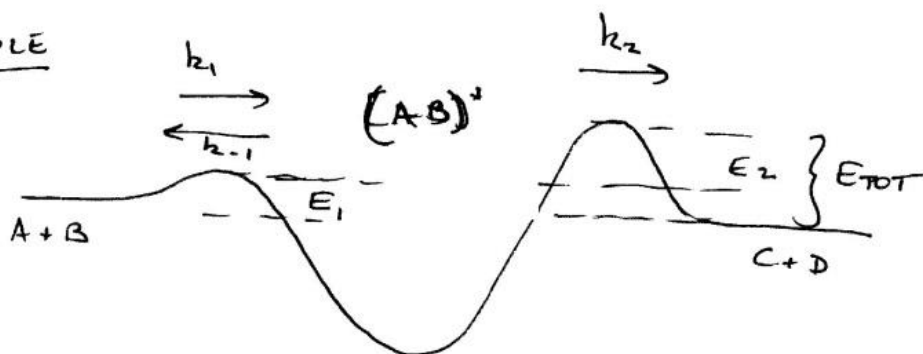
• IF $k_{-1} \gg k_2 + k_m[M]$

$$k^{\text{II}} = \frac{k_1(k_2 + k_m[M])}{k_{-1}} = \frac{k_1 k_2}{k_{-1}}$$

NOTE, $k_1/k_{-1} = \frac{[AB^*]}{[A][B]}$ OR, "key"

This means $[AB^*]$ is in equilibrium with $[A][B]$.

EXAMPLE



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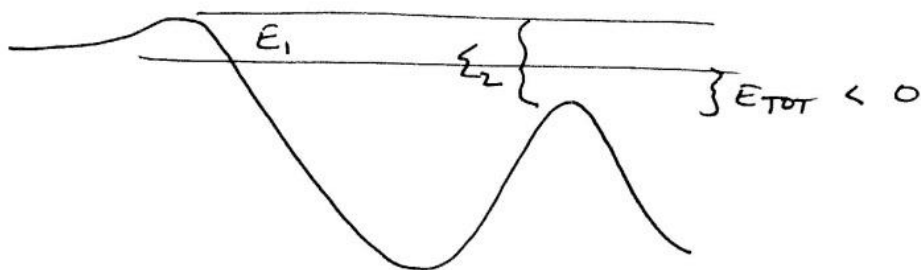
Typically, k_{-1} has a very small T-dependence,

$$k^{\text{II}} = \frac{A_1 e^{-\Sigma_1/RT} \cdot A_2 e^{-\Sigma_2/RT}}{A_{-1} e^{-E_{-1}/RT}} \sim \frac{A_1 \cdot A_2 e^{-(\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2)/RT}}{A_{-1}}$$

$$\text{or, } k^{\text{II}} \propto e^{-(E_{\text{TOT}})/RT}$$

OR, "BARRIER" TO REACTION IS THE SUM OF TWO STEPS,

What if E_2 is negative?



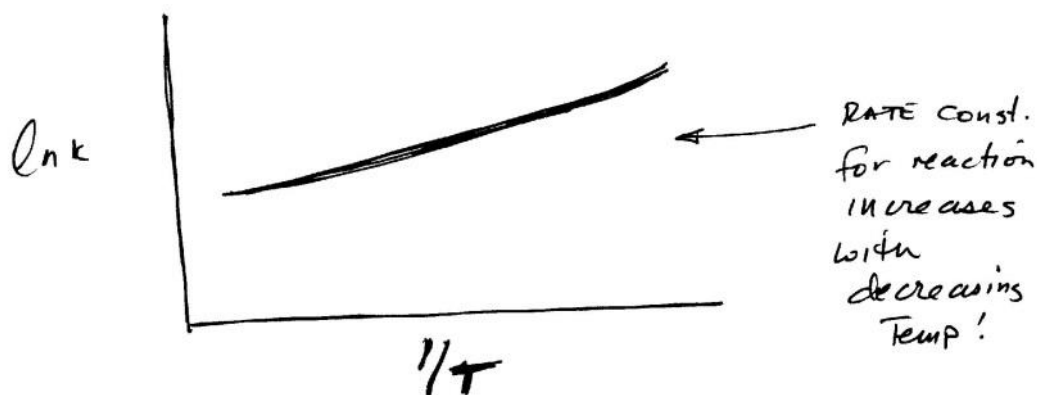
$$E_{\text{TOT}} = E_1 + E_2 < 0 \quad !!$$

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$$k^{\text{II}} = \frac{A_1 \cdot A_2}{A_{-1}} e^{-\frac{(E_{\text{TOT}})}{RT}}$$

This is an exponential term that is positive!

"NEGATIVE T-dependence"



IN order for this to occur, $k_{-1} > k_2$,

So

$$A_1 e^{-\frac{E_{-1}}{RT}} > A_2 e^{-\frac{E_2}{RT}}$$

$$\text{OR, } A_{-1} > A_2 e^{-\frac{E_2}{RT}}$$

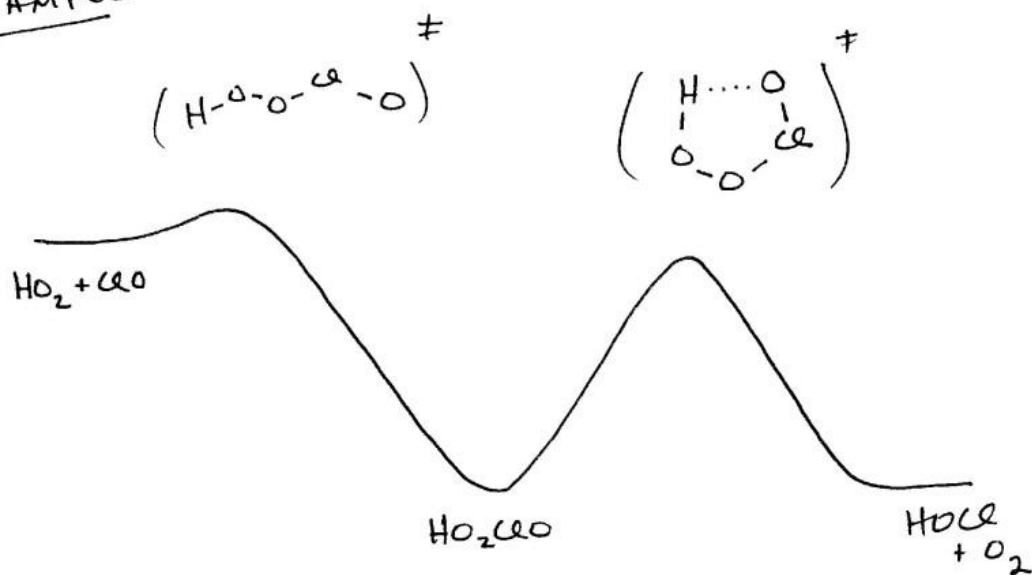
larger than 1

$$A_2 < A_{-1} e^{\frac{E_2}{RT}}$$

⑦

That is, the A-factor for decomposition of AB^* into $C+D$ must be much smaller than the A-factor for decomposition of AB^* into $A+B$.

EXAMPLE

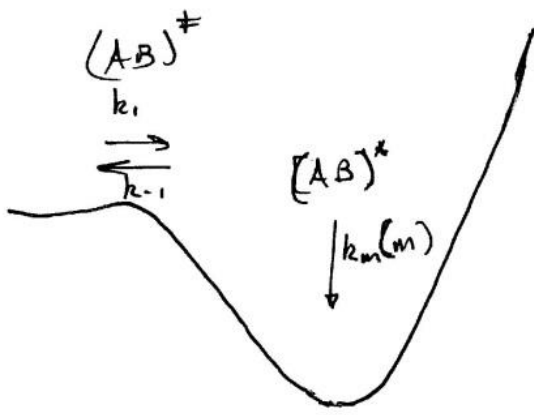


Reaction exhibits a negative T-dependence
& 2nd transition state is more
constrained than 1st ...

MORE degrees of freedom, larger A_1

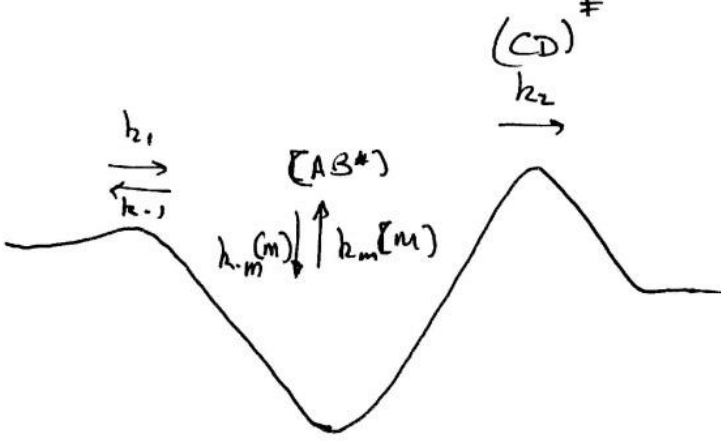
$$A_1 > A_2$$

I



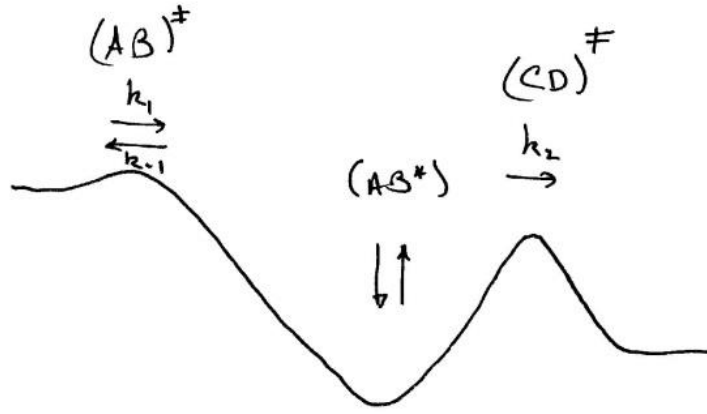
Recombination

II



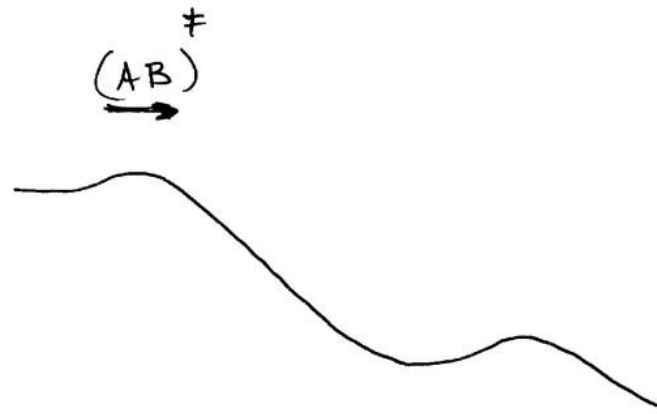
Bimolecular,
2nd
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III



Mixed
Bimolecular/
demolecular,
Transition
states
in
competition

IV



Bimolecular,
1st transition
state
limiting