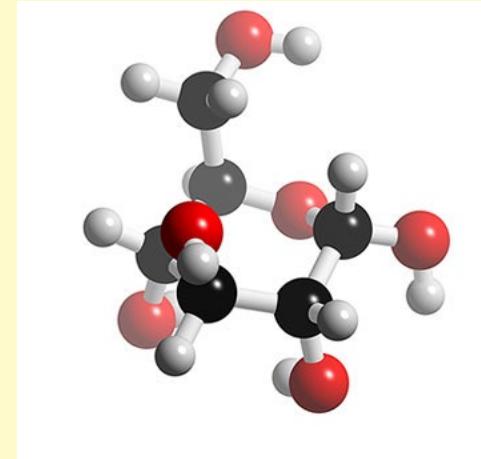


Thermochemistry

A. Energy

★ we use hydrocarbons in many areas of our lives

eg) **glucose for cellular respiration**



gasoline and natural gas for fuel



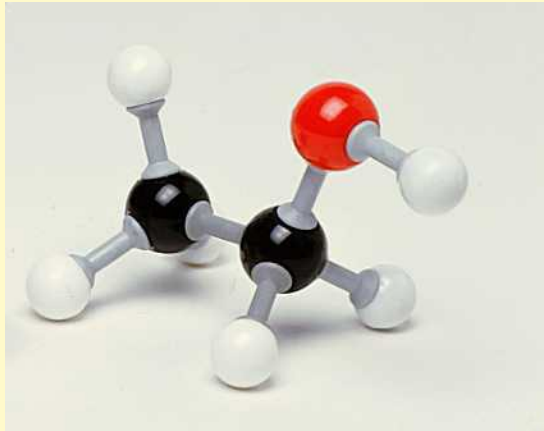
★ the energy stored in the chemical bonds of hydrocarbons originally comes from the **sun**



★ ancient plants captured the energy of the sun during **photosynthesis**, ancient animals ate the plants, then death and trapping in rock formations as oil, gas, oil sand etc.

★ there are two fundamental types of energy:

1. **kinetic energy (E_K):**
the energy of **motion**
(of particles)



2. **potential energy (E_P):**
energy that is **stored**
(in chemical bonds)

★ the First Law of Thermodynamics states that:

- the total energy of the universe is **constant**
- energy can be **converted to other forms** however the **total energy** of any system is **conserved** (it **cannot** be created or destroyed)




- ★ the Second Law of Thermodynamics states that:
 - in the absence of energy input, a system becomes more **disordered**
 - heat will always transfer from **hot objects to cooler objects** until **thermal equilibrium** is reached





B. Temperature Change

- ★ **temperature** is a measure of the **average kinetic energy** of the particles of a substance
- ★ the **faster** the particles are moving, the **higher** the temperature
- ★ the amount of energy needed to heat a substance depends on three factors:
 1. the **mass** of the substance
 2. the **change in temperature**
 3. the **type** of substance (heat capacity)



★ heat capacity is heat required to change the temperature of **one gram** of a substance by **1°C**

$$Q = mc\Delta t$$

where: Q = heat energy in J

m = mass in g

Δt = change in temperature in °C

c = specific heat capacity in J/g°C



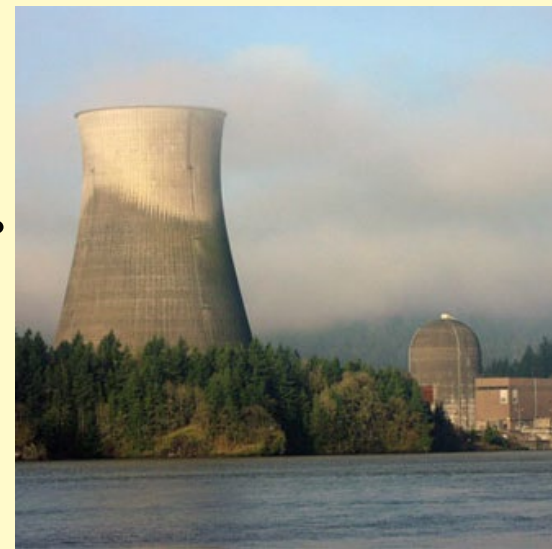
Example


Find the heat required to change 2.50 g of water from 10.0°C to 27.0°C .

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= mc\Delta t \\ &= (2.50 \text{ g})(4.19 \text{ J/g}^\circ\text{C}) (27.0^\circ\text{C} - 10.0^\circ\text{C}) \\ &= 178.075 \text{ J} \\ &= \mathbf{178 \text{ J}} \end{aligned}$$

C. Energy and Enthalpy

- ★ **enthalpy** is the sum of all forms of kinetic and potential energy in a system ($E_K + E_P$)
- ★ unfortunately, the enthalpy of individual substances cannot be measured directly (E_K can with a thermometer but how do you measure E_P ?)
- ★ changes in enthalpy occur whenever heat is **released or absorbed in a physical, chemical or nuclear change...** fortunately, this can be measured




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- ★ **enthalpy change, ΔH** , is measured in **J or kJ**
 - ★ subscripts are sometimes used to denote the type of process, for example “r” for “reaction”

$\Delta_r H$ = enthalpy of reaction

- ★ the “°” symbol is used to denote changes taking place at **standard** conditions

$\Delta_r H^\circ$ = standard enthalpy of reaction (at SATP 100 kPa and 25°C)



★ **molar enthalpy** is the enthalpy change **per mole** of a substance

★ molar enthalpy is also designated as ΔH , although we will be using just **H** for our formulas

★ molar enthalpy is measured in **J/mol or kJ/mol**

***this can be confusing so pay close attention to the context...wording and units!!!

D. Energy Change in Chemical Reactions

- ★ changes in **potential energy** take place during chemical reactions when one substance is **converted into another substance**
- ★ chemical bonds are sources of **stored** potential energy
- ★ **breaking** bonds **requires** energy
- ★ **forming** bonds **releases** energy



★ if the energy added to break the bonds is **greater** than the energy released when the new bonds are formed then the reaction is **endothermic**

eg) **photosynthesis**



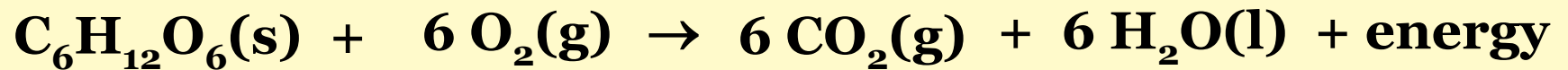
monster flower

★ endothermic changes are designated as **positive values** since energy is being **added** to the system



★ if the energy added to break the bonds is **less** than the energy released when the new bonds are formed then the reaction is **exothermic**

eg) **cellular respiration**




eg) **hydrocarbon combustion**



★ exothermic changes are designated as **negative values** since energy is being **removed** from the system





★ the amount of energy lost or gained is **directly proportional** to the amount of substances that react

ie) if 100 g of a substance burning will release **twice as much** energy compared to when 50 g of that same substance burns



E. Communicating Enthalpy Changes

Exothermic Reactions

1. $\Delta_r H$ Notation

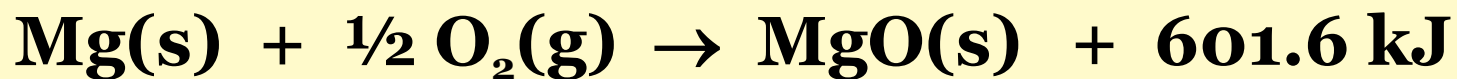
- ★ the heat of reaction can be given as a $\Delta_r H$ value **outside** of the equation
- ★ the sign on $\Delta_r H$ is **negative** since the enthalpy of the system is **decreasing**





2. Inside the Equation

★ in an exothermic reaction enthalpy is included as a **product**

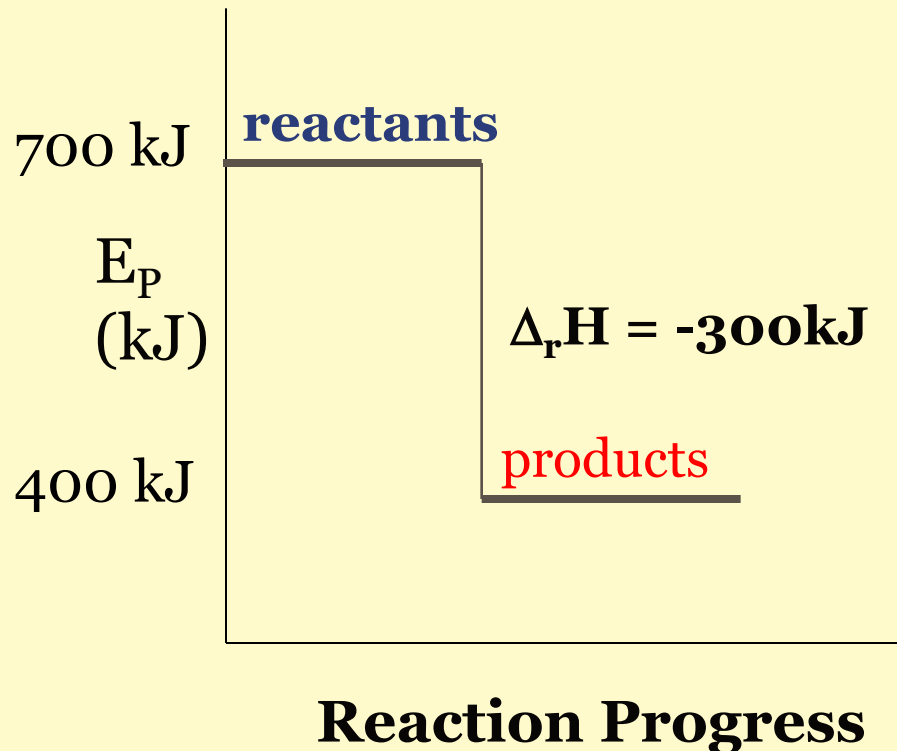




3. Potential Energy Diagrams

- ★ shows the potential energy of the **reactants** and the **products** of a chemical reaction
- ★ reactants have **more** potential energy than the products in an exothermic reaction
- ★ the difference between the reactants and products is the $\Delta_r H$

Exothermic



Products have **less** E_p than the reactants \therefore energy has been **lost** to the surroundings

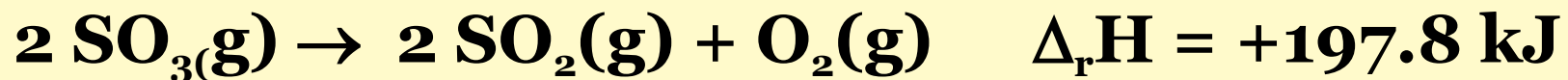
$$\text{Reactants} = \text{Products} + \Delta_r H$$



Endothermic Reactions

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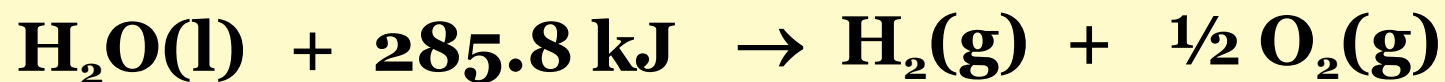
★ the sign on $\Delta_r H$ is **positive** since the enthalpy of the system is **increasing**





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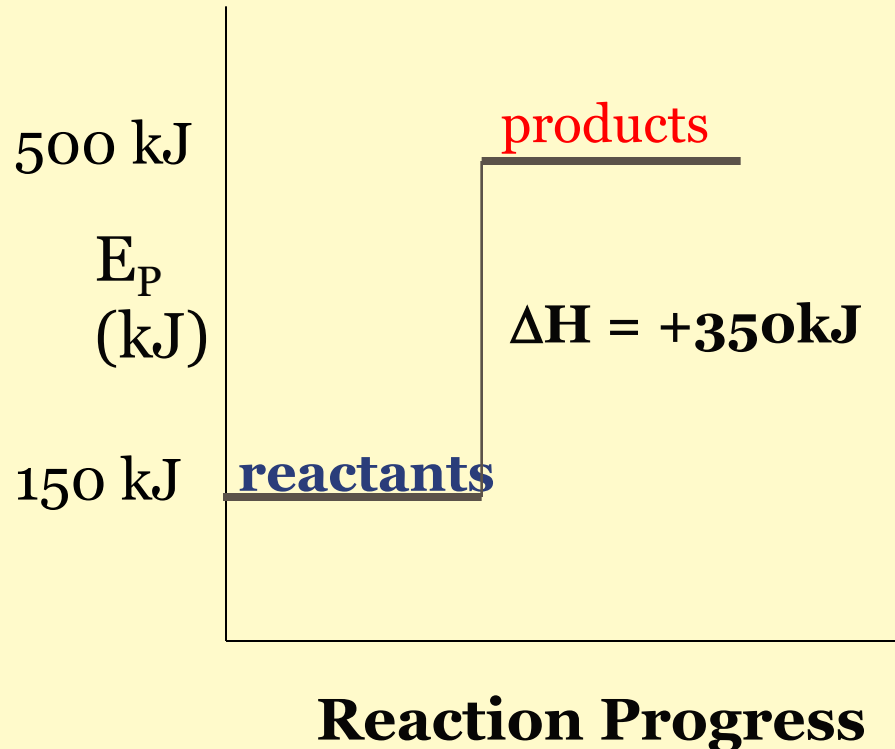




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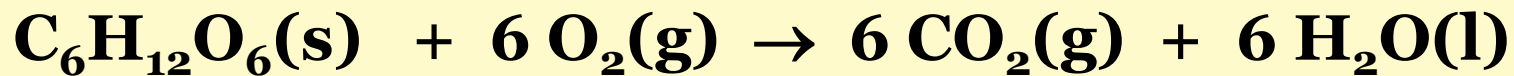


Products have **more** E_p than the reactants \therefore energy has been **gained** by the system





★ cellular respiration is a low temperature combustion of the hydrocarbon glucose, producing $\text{CO}_2(\text{g})$ and $\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$



$$\Delta_c\text{H} = -2802.5 \text{ kJ}$$

F. Calculating Enthalpy Changes


- ★ molar enthalpy, in kJ/mol, and the number of moles of a substance can be used to calculate the enthalpy change of a chemical change:

$$\Delta_r H = n_r H$$

where: $\Delta_r H$ = **enthalpy change in kJ (or J)**

n = **number of moles in mol**

${}_r H$ = ***molar* enthalpy in kJ/mol or J/mol**



★ the number of moles can either come from the **balancing** in the chemical reaction or from the formula $n = m/M$

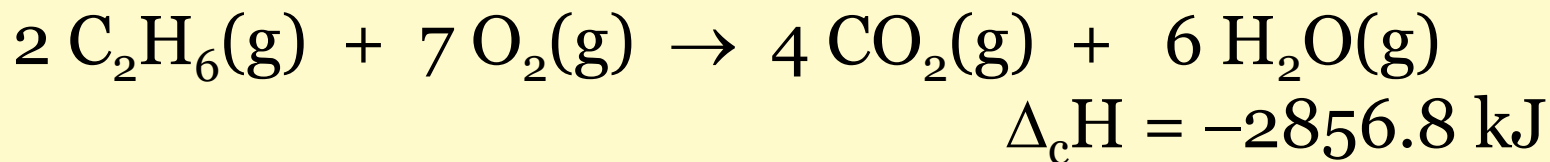
★ always have a sign on ΔH or H

- **positive** for **endothermic**
(energy absorbed)

- **negative** for **exothermic**
(energy released)

Example 1

Calculate the molar enthalpy of combustion for oxygen given the following information:



$$\Delta_{\text{c}}\text{H} = n_{\text{c}}\text{H}$$

$$-2856.8 \text{ kJ} = (7 \text{ mol})_{\text{c}}\text{H}$$

$$_{\text{c}}\text{H} = -\mathbf{408.11 \text{ kJ/mol}}$$

Example 2

Find the enthalpy change when 5.50 g of pentane burns.

$\Delta_c H = -3244.8 \text{ kJ/mol}$ of pentane.

$$\Delta_c H = n_c H$$

$$= \frac{m}{M} \times \Delta_c H$$

$$= \frac{5.50 \text{ g}}{72.17 \text{ g/mol}} \times -3244.8 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$= -247.2828... \text{ kJ}$$

$$= \mathbf{-247 \text{ kJ}}$$

Example 3

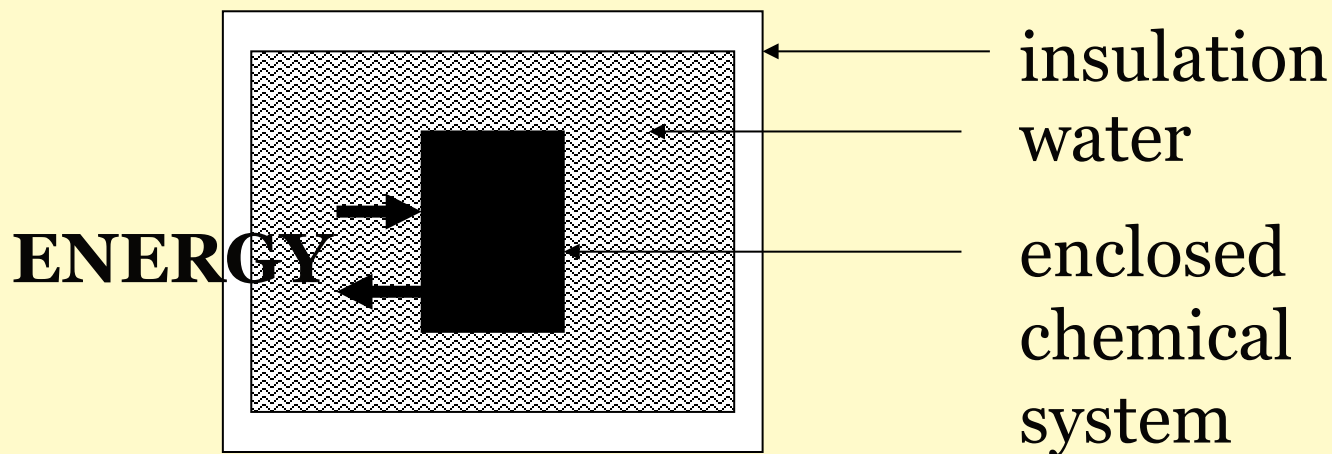
When methane is burned, oxygen is consumed. Determine the mass of oxygen consumed if the change in enthalpy is -250 kJ and the molar enthalpy of reaction for oxygen is -401.3 kJ/mol.


$$\Delta_c H = \frac{m}{M} \times {}_c H$$
$$-250 \text{ kJ} = \frac{m}{32.00 \text{ g/mol}} \times -401.3 \text{ kJ/mol}$$
$$m = 19.935\dots\text{g}$$
$$= \mathbf{19.9 \text{ g}}$$

G. Calorimetry

- ★ calorimetry is a technological process of **measuring energy changes using an isolated system**
- ★ the isolated system used to determine the heat involved in a phase change or in a chemical reaction is called a **calorimeter**

Calorimeter






Steps for Using a Simple Calorimeter

1. Measure the **initial temperature** of the water in the calorimeter.
2. Add the **reactants** to the calorimeter.
3. Allow reaction to proceed, **stirring** the solution to ensure even temperature.
4. Measure the **final temperature** of the water in the calorimeter (maximum temperature for exothermic reactions, minimum temperature for endothermic reactions)

★ calorimetry is based on the First and Second Law of Thermodynamics...energy is conserved and energy is transferred from hotter objects to cooler objects until thermal equilibrium is reached





★ it is assumed that **no energy** is **gained or lost** by the system except for the energy required or released by the **chemical change**

★ calculations are based on the Principle of Heat Transfer:

$$\text{HEAT LOST} = \text{HEAT GAINED}$$

★ remember, you must use a **sign** with your ΔH values (either enthalpy change or molar enthalpy)

endothermic = **positive** value

exothermic = **negative** value



Example 1

A chemical reaction in a bomb calorimeter causes the temperature of 500 g of water to increase in temperature from 10.0°C to 52.0°C. Calculate the heat released by this reaction. Give your answer in kJ.

$$\text{HL (rxn)} = \text{HG (water)}$$

$$= Q$$

$$= mc\Delta t$$

$$= (500 \text{ g})(4.19 \text{ J/g}^\circ\text{C})(52.0^\circ\text{C} - 10.0^\circ\text{C})$$

$$= 87\,990 \text{ J}$$

$$= -87.990 \text{ kJ}$$

$$= -\mathbf{88.0 \text{ kJ}}$$

Example 2

An 8.40 g sample of $\text{N}_{2(g)}$ is reacted with pure oxygen in a bomb calorimeter containing 1.00 kg of water to produce N_2O . The temperature of the water dropped by 5.82°C . What is the molar heat of reaction of $\text{N}_{2(g)}$ in kJ/mol ?

heat lost (water) = heat gained (formation)

$$Q = \Delta H$$

$$mc\Delta t = (m/M) H$$

$$(1000 \text{ g})(4.19 \text{ J/g}^\circ\text{C})(5.82^\circ\text{C}) = (8.40 \text{ g}/28.02 \text{ g/mol}) H$$

$$24385.8 \text{ J} = (0.299\dots \text{ mol}) H$$

$$H = 81344.06143 \text{ J/mol}$$

$$H = +\mathbf{81.3 \text{ kJ/mol}}$$

Example 3

A student mixes 100.0 mL of 0.500 mol/L HBr(aq) with 100.0 mL of 0.500 mol/L KOH(aq). The initial temperature of both solutions is 21.00°C and the highest temperature reached after mixing is 24.40°C. Calculate the molar enthalpy of neutralization in kJ/mol for the HBr(aq). Assume both solutions have the density and heat capacity of pure water.

heat lost (neut HBr(aq)) = heat gained (water)

$$\Delta H = Q$$

$$cv H = mc\Delta t$$

$$(0.1000\text{L})(0.500 \text{ mol/L}) H = (200\text{g})(4.19\text{J/g}^\circ\text{C})(24.40^\circ\text{C} - 21.00^\circ\text{C})$$

$$(0.0500 \text{ mol}) H = 2849.2 \text{ J}$$

$$H = - 56984 \text{ J/mol}$$

$$H = - \mathbf{57.0 \text{ kJ/mol}}$$

Example 4

A student built a simple calorimeter with a 25.0 g tin can and 150 mL of water. Calculate the molar enthalpy of combustion of ethanol in kJ/mol if 0.166 g of this fuel increased the temperature of the calorimeter by 7.00°C. Remember to include not only the heat gained by the water but also by the calorimeter.

heat lost (combustion) = heat gained (water + tin can)

$$\Delta H = Q$$

$$(m/M) H = mc\Delta t + mc\Delta t$$

$$(0.166/46.08\text{g/mol}) H = (150\text{g})(4.19\text{J/g}^\circ\text{C})(7.00^\circ\text{C}) \\ + (25.0\text{g})(0.227\text{J/g}^\circ\text{C})(7.00^\circ\text{C})$$

$$(0.00360\dots \text{mol}) H = 4439.225 \text{ J}$$

$$H = -1232286.057 \text{ J/mol}$$


$$H = -1232.2\dots \text{ J/mol}$$

$$H = -1.23 \times 10^3 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

H. Industrial Bomb Calorimeters

- ★ industrial calorimeters are used in **research** to measure the heat of combustion of food, fuel, oil, crops, and explosives
- ★ modern calorimeters have **fixed components**
eg) volume of water used, container (bomb) material, stirrer and thermometer



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- ★ in calculating the energy of combustion, you take all components of the calorimeter into account:

$$E_{\text{total}} = mc\Delta t (\text{H}_2\text{O}) + mc\Delta t (\text{stirrer}) + mc\Delta t (\text{bomb}) \\ + mc\Delta t (\text{thermometer})$$

- ★ all of the “mc” parts are constant so they are replaced by **one constant C**, the **heat capacity** of the **entire system** in **kJ/°C**
- ★ you can also be asked to calculate **kJ/g** instead of kJ/mol in calorimetry questions
- ★ you use the formula **mH** instead of nH to give kJ/g

Example 1

A 1.50 g sample of methane is completely burned in a calorimeter with a heat capacity of 11.3 kJ/°C. The temperature increased from 20.15°C to 27.45°C. Calculate the molar enthalpy of combustion for methane.

heat lost (combustion) = heat gained (calorimeter)

$$(m/M) H = C\Delta t$$

$$(1.50 \text{ g}/16.05 \text{ g/mol}) H = (11.3 \text{ kJ/}^\circ\text{C})(27.45^\circ\text{C} - 20.15^\circ\text{C})$$

$$(0.0934 \dots \text{ mol}) H = 82.49 \text{ kJ}$$

$$H = 882.6430002 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$H = - \mathbf{883 \text{ kJ/mol}}$$

Example 2

When 3.00 g of butter is burned in a bomb calorimeter with a heat capacity of 9.22 kJ/°C the temperature changes from 19.62°C to 31.89°C. Calculate the specific enthalpy of combustion in **kJ/g**.

heat lost (combustion) = heat gained (calorimeter)

$$m H = C\Delta t$$

$$(3.00\text{g}) H = (9.22 \text{ kJ}/^{\circ}\text{C})(31.89^{\circ}\text{C} - 19.62^{\circ}\text{C})$$

$$(3.00 \text{ g}) H = 113.1294 \text{ kJ}$$

$$H = 37.7098 \text{ kJ/g}$$

$$H = -\mathbf{37.7 \text{ kJ/g}}$$


I. Predicting Enthalpy ($\Delta_r H$) Changes

1. Using Hess's Law

★ because of the law of conservation of energy, the heat of reaction is the **same** whether the reactants are converted to the products in a **single reaction** or in a **series of reactions**

★ G.H. Hess (1840) suggested that if two or more **thermochemical equations** are **added** to give a final equation then the **enthalpies** can be added to give the **enthalpy for the final equation**



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- ★ sometimes the heat of reaction for a chemical change is not easily measured due to time of reaction, cost, rarity of reactants etc. so we use Hess's Law to calculate $\Delta_r H$

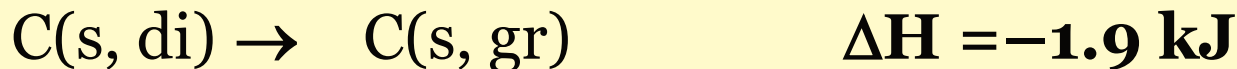
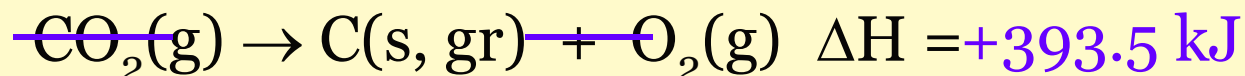
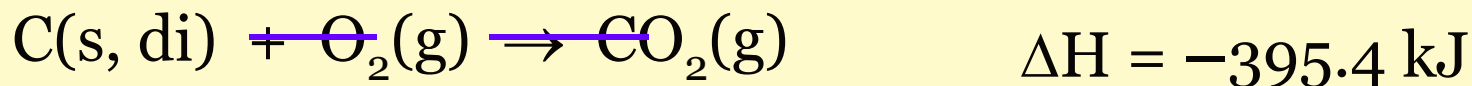
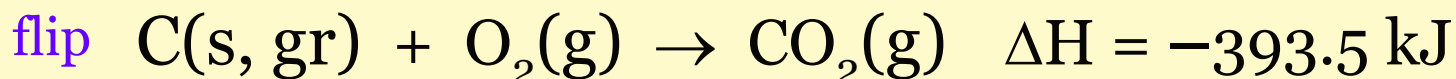


Steps:

1. Write the **net reaction**, if it is not given.
2. **Manipulate** the given equations so they will **add** to yield the **net equation**.
 - ★ if you multiply or divide an equation, multiply or divide the ΔH by the **same factor**
 - ★ if you flip an equation, **flip** the sign on ΔH
3. **Cancel** the reactants and products where possible to **simplify**
(you should end up with your net equation!)
4. **Add** the component enthalpy changes to get the **net enthalpy change**.

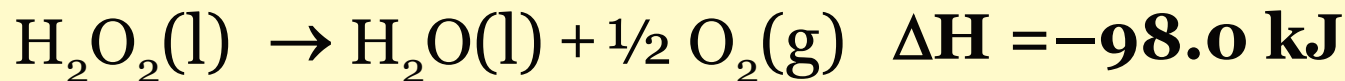
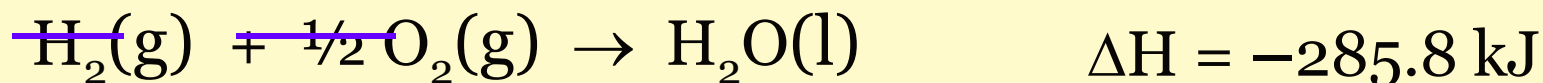
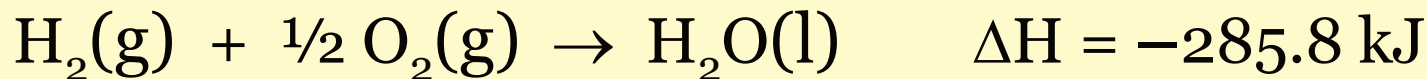
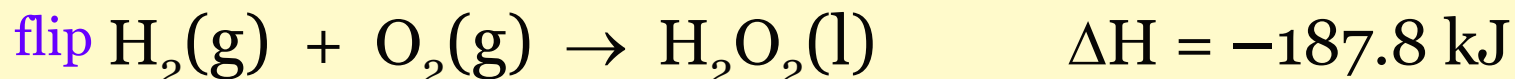
Example 1

Find the heat of reaction for $\text{C(s, di)} \rightarrow \text{C(s, gr)}$ using the following reactions:



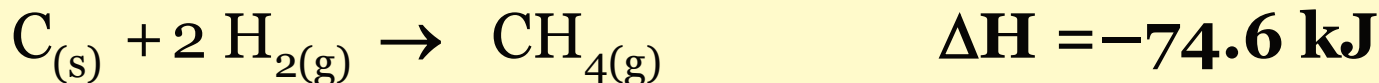
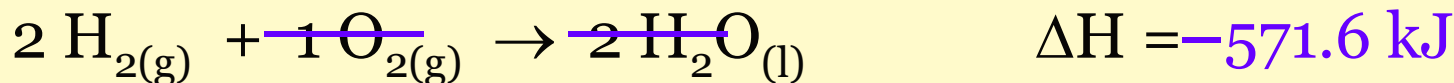
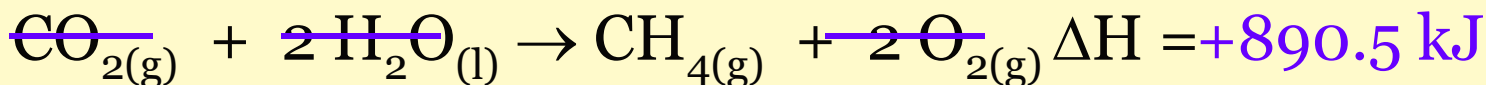
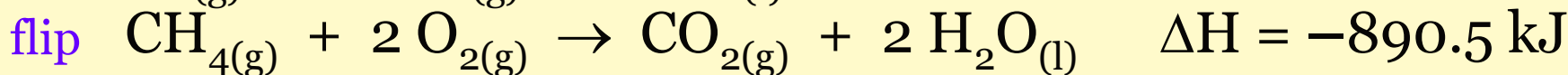
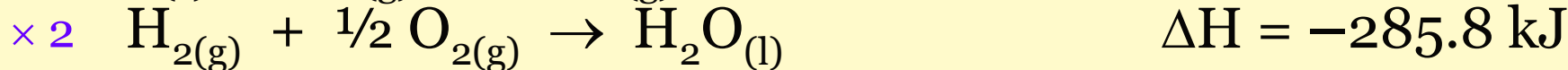
Example 2

Find the heat of reaction for $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2(\text{l}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) + \frac{1}{2} \text{O}_2(\text{g})$ using the following reactions:



Example 3


Find the heat of reaction for $\text{C}_{(s)} + 2 \text{H}_{2(g)} \rightarrow \text{CH}_{4(g)}$ using the following reactions:





J. Using Standard Heats of Formation $\Delta_f H^\circ$

- ★ sometimes it is not easy to measure the heat change for a reaction (too slow/expensive)
- ★ in this case, ΔH can be determined using **heats of formation**
- ★ *heats of formation* (${}_f H^\circ$) are the changes in E_p that occur when **compounds are formed from their elements**



★ H°_f for elements cannot be directly measured therefore they are designated as **zero** ...all other H°_f values are in reference to this...see pages 4-5 in data booklet

★ the ΔH°_f is an indirect measure of the **stability** of a compound




★ the more **exothermic the formation** , the **more stable the compound**

(this means you have to add that energy to decompose it)

eg) List the following compounds in order from most stable to least stable.

3	$\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$	${}_f\text{H}^\circ = -285.8 \text{ kJ/mol}$
5	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_4(\text{g})$	${}_f\text{H}^\circ = +52.4 \text{ kJ/mol}$
4	$\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})$	${}_f\text{H}^\circ = +11.1 \text{ kJ/mol}$
2	$\text{PCl}_3(\text{l})$	${}_f\text{H}^\circ = -319.7 \text{ kJ/mol}$
1	$\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3(\text{s})$	${}_f\text{H}^\circ = -1675.7 \text{ kJ/mol}$



★ Hess's Law formula states that the $\Delta_r H$ is the difference between the standard heats of formation of the **reactants** and the **products**

$$\Delta_r H^\circ = \sum \Delta_f H^\circ (\text{products}) - \sum \Delta_f H^\circ (\text{reactants})$$

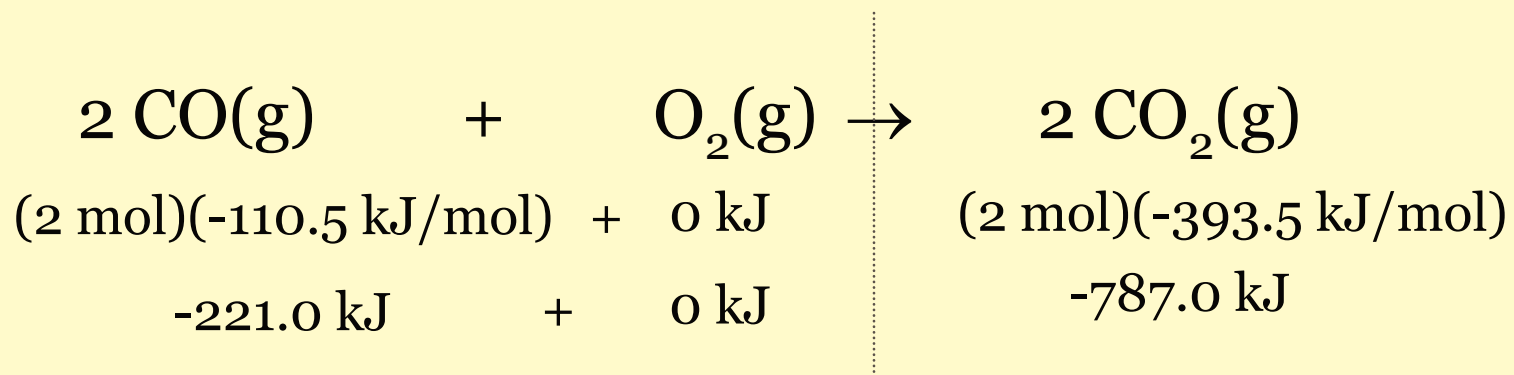
Take the energy released during the formation of the products

And subtract the initial energy of the system (energy released when reactants were formed)

$$\Delta_r H^\circ = \sum n_f H^\circ (\text{products}) - \sum n_f H^\circ (\text{reactants})$$

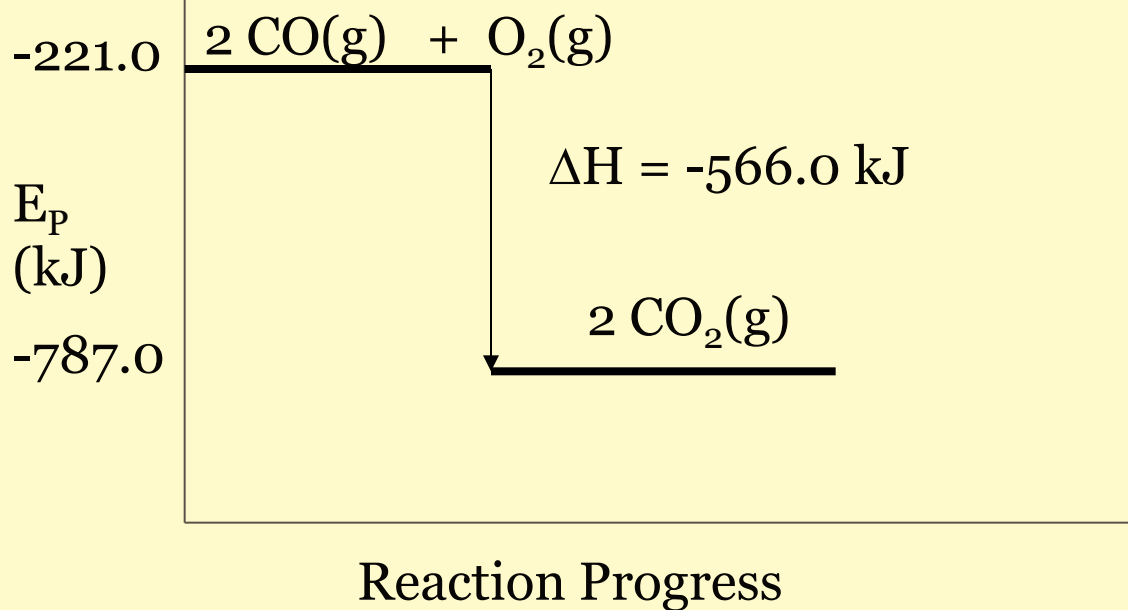
Example 1

Calculate the standard heat of combustion for $2 \text{CO}(\text{g}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 2 \text{CO}_2(\text{g})$ and draw the E_p diagram for this reaction.



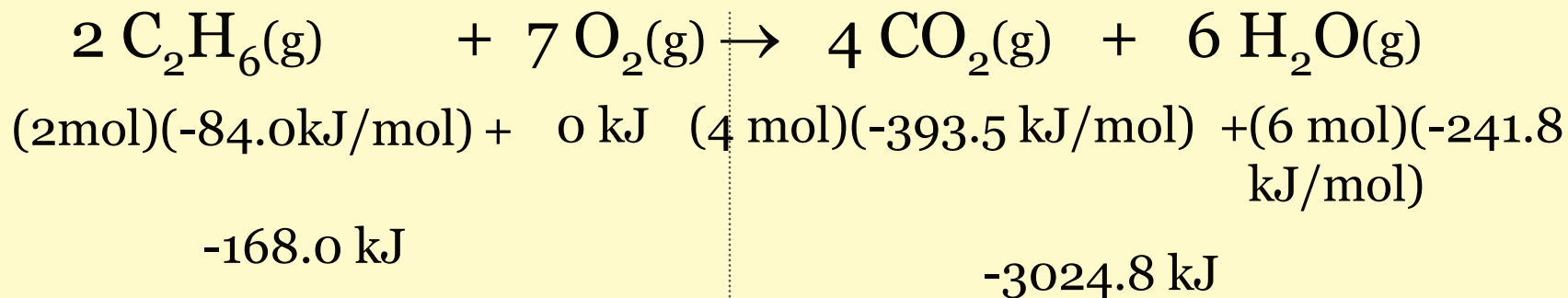
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_c H^\circ &= \sum n_f H^\circ_{(\text{products})} - \sum n_f H^\circ_{(\text{reactants})} \\ &= -787.0 \text{ kJ} - (-221.0 \text{ kJ}) \\ &= \mathbf{-566.0 \text{ kJ}} \end{aligned}$$

E_p Diagram for $2 \text{CO}(\text{g}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 2 \text{CO}_2(\text{g})$



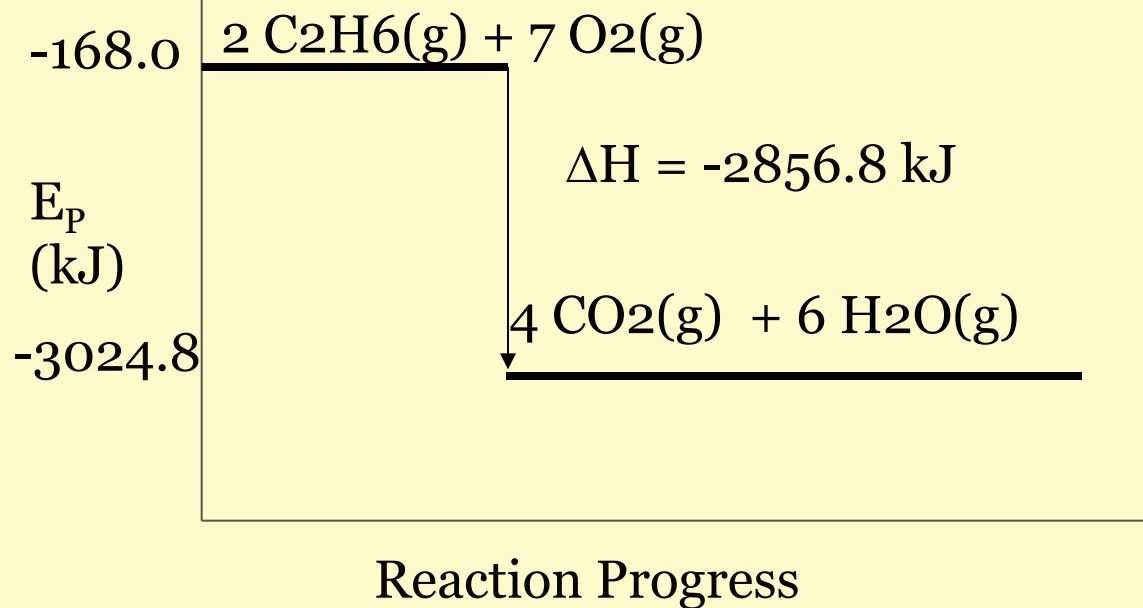
Example 2

Find the heat of combustion of ethane and draw the EP diagram for this reaction. The products of combustion are gases.



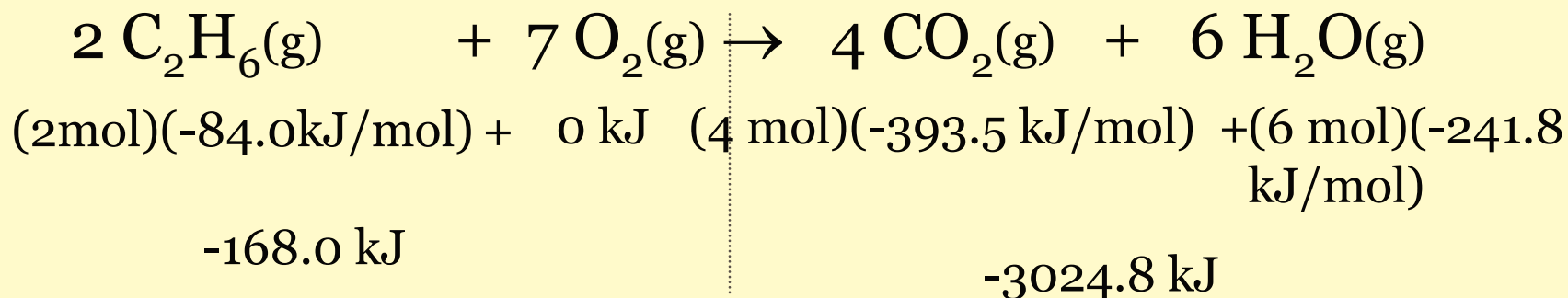
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_c H^\circ &= \sum n_f H^\circ_{(\text{products})} - \sum n_f H^\circ_{(\text{reactants})} \\ &= (-3024.8 \text{ kJ}) - (-168.0 \text{ kJ}) \\ &= \mathbf{-2856.8 \text{ kJ}} \end{aligned}$$

E_p Diagram for $2 \text{C}_2\text{H}_6(\text{g}) + 7 \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 4 \text{CO}_2(\text{g}) + 6 \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g})$



Example 3

Calculate the molar enthalpy of combustion for ethane. The products of combustion are gases.

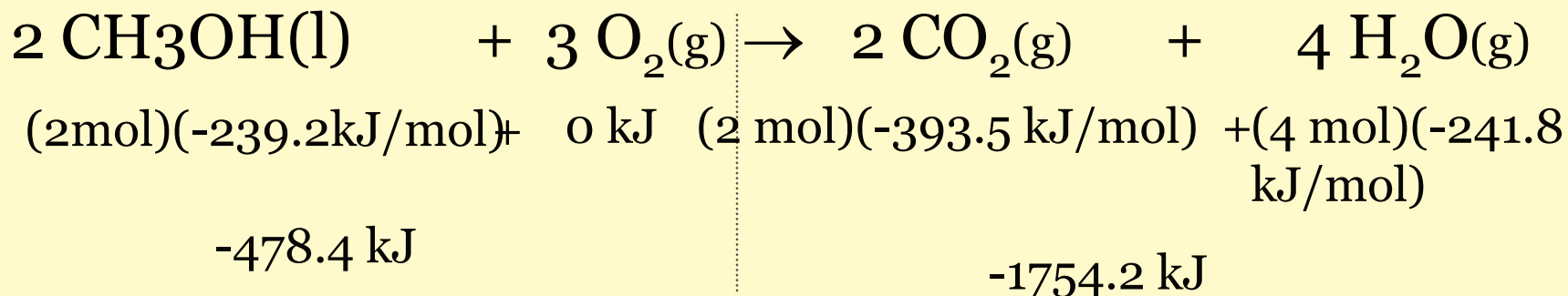


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Example 4

Calculate the energy released when 25.0 g of methanol is burned. The products of combustion are gases.



$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_c H^\circ &= \sum n_f H^\circ_{(\text{products})} - \sum n_f H^\circ_{(\text{reactants})} \\ &= (-1754.2 \text{ kJ}) - (-478.4 \text{ kJ}) \\ &= -1275.8 \text{ kJ} \end{aligned}$$


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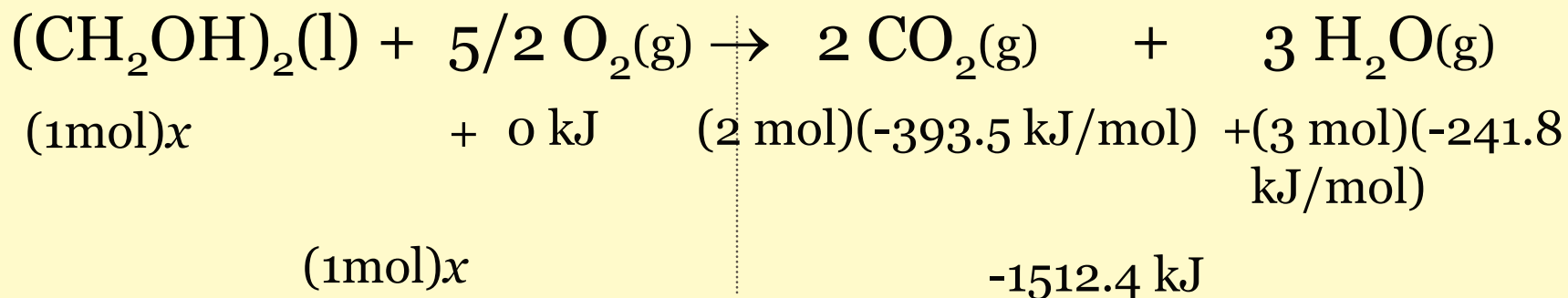
$$\Delta_c H = \frac{m}{M} \times {}_cH$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_c H &= \frac{25.0 \text{ g}}{32.05 \text{ g/mol}} \times -637.9 \text{ kJ/mol} \\ &= -498 \text{ kJ} \end{aligned}$$

Example 5

Calculate the molar heat of formation for ethylene glycol given the following information:

$$\Delta H^\circ = -1178.0 \text{ kJ}$$



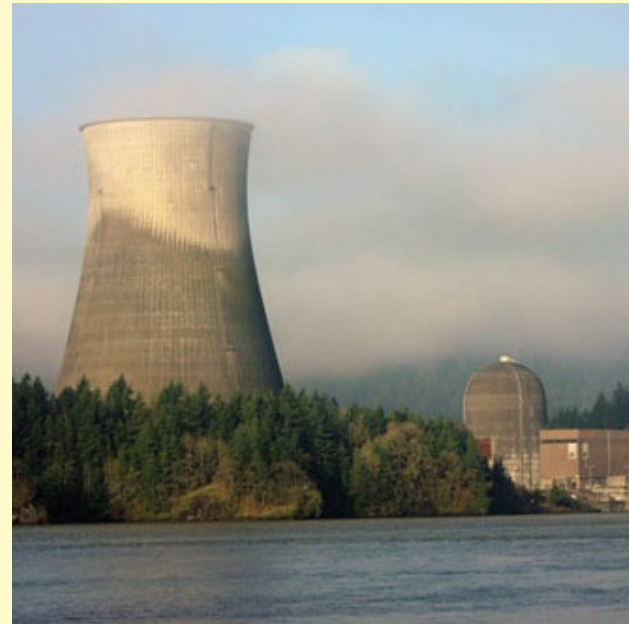
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta H^\circ &= \sum n_f H^\circ_{(\text{products})} - \sum n_f H^\circ_{(\text{reactants})} \\ -1178.0 \text{ kJ} &= (-1512.4 \text{ kJ}) - (1 \text{ mol})x \\ + 1512.4 &= +1512.4 \\ \hline +334.4 \text{ kJ} &= - (1 \text{ mol})x \\ \hline (-1 \text{ mol}) &= (-1 \text{ mol}) \\ x &= -\mathbf{334.4 \text{ kJ/mol}} \end{aligned}$$

K. Energy and Efficiency

★ most of Canada's energy (electricity) comes from **chemical** processes such as the combustion of **fossil fuels**



★ electricity is also generated through **nuclear** processes



★ both methods involve changing **water into steam** (a **phase** change) which turns turbines to generate electrical energy

★ how does the energy from physical, chemical and nuclear processes compare:

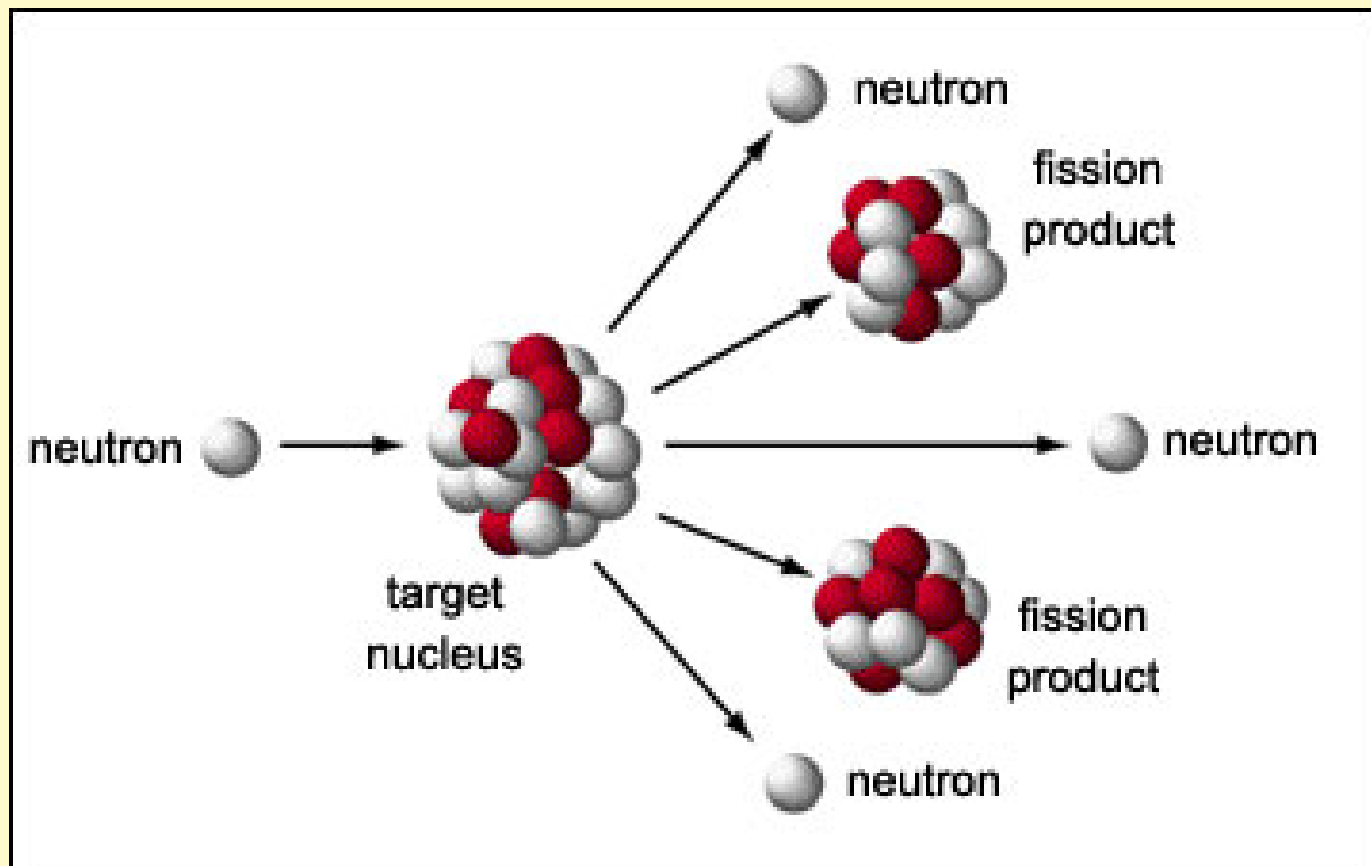
➤ **physical** changes involve the breaking and forming of **intermolecular** forces
(**1 – 100** kJ/mol)




- **chemical** changes involve the breaking and forming of **chemical bonds**
(**100 – 10000** kJ/mol)



- **nuclear** changes involve changes within the **nuclei of atoms** (millions to billions kJ/mol)





★ **efficiency** is the ratio of **useful energy** produced (energy **output**) to **energy used** in its production (energy **input**)

$$\% \text{ Efficiency} = \frac{\text{Energy output}}{\text{Energy input}} \times 100$$

- ★ we have developed many technologies that help us to solve practical problems
- ★ it is important to be as **efficient** as possible with appliances and vehicles



- ★ saving energy **saves you money** and it helps to **save the environment** (greenhouse effect and acid rain)

★ in any process, the **more energy conversions** that take place, the **less efficient** the process because of **heat loss** in transfer

➤ gas furnace (natural gas) is about **90%** efficient since it is used to directly supply heat



- natural gas power plant is only about **37%** efficient because there are several energy conversions that take place before electricity is generated (water to steam to kinetic energy to mechanical energy to electrical energy)





L. Fuelling Society

- ★ we must assess the **risks and benefits** of relying on any fuel source
- ★ when selecting an energy source, efficiency is not the only consideration
- ★ **environmental impact** must also be considered



Advantages vs. Disadvantages of Fossil Fuels

Advantages

- ★ relatively low cost
- ★ readily available (market)
- ★ plant set-up, vehicle design, expertise affordable
- ★ used all over the world
- ★ deposits are large

Disadvantages

- ★ release of gases that contribute to the greenhouse effect and acid rain when burned
- ★ mining is detrimental to the environment
- ★ non-renewable

★ **nuclear** processes **do not** produce **greenhouse gases** but they do produce **radioactive waste** which lasts for thousands of years



★ **wind** turbines use a **renewable** energy source (sun indirectly) but are not free of problems...they are **noisy and dangerous to birds**



★ **hydroelectric** power is also **renewable** but damming rivers **affects ecosystems** on both sides of the dams



★ the amount of $\text{CO}_2(\text{g})$ released by a fuel determines how “**clean**” it is

★ fuels that use renewable energy sources (**solar**, **wind**, **geothermal** etc.) and nuclear power are considered the “**cleanest**”



- ★ **methane** is the “**cleanest**” fossil fuel and **coal** is the **least clean**



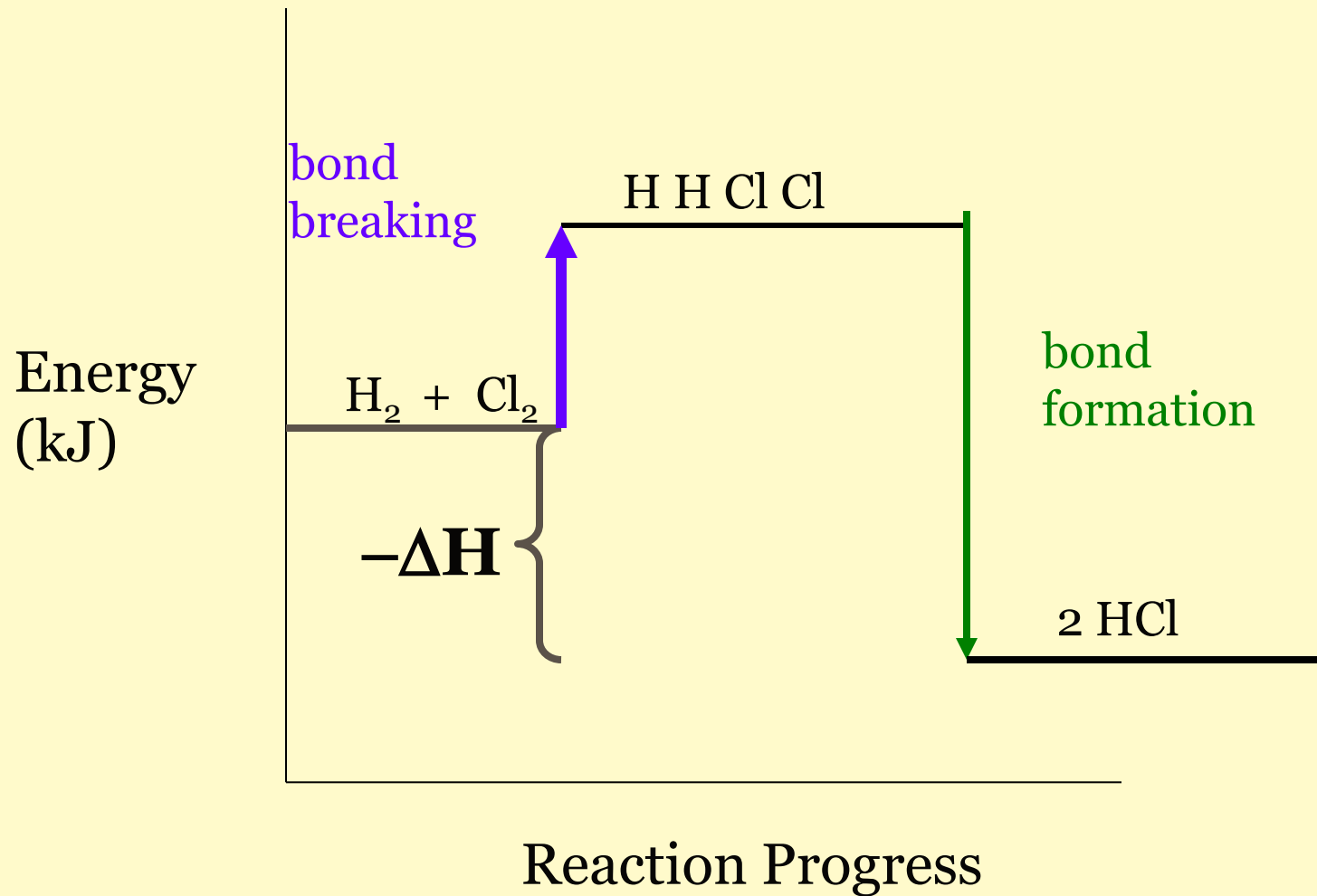
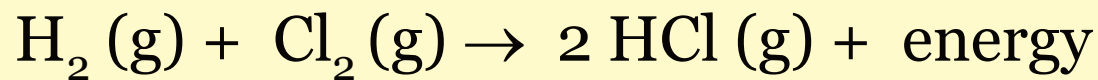
- ★ regardless of which source of energy we use, we must think about the impact that our fuels have on the environment




M. Bond Energy and Activation Energy

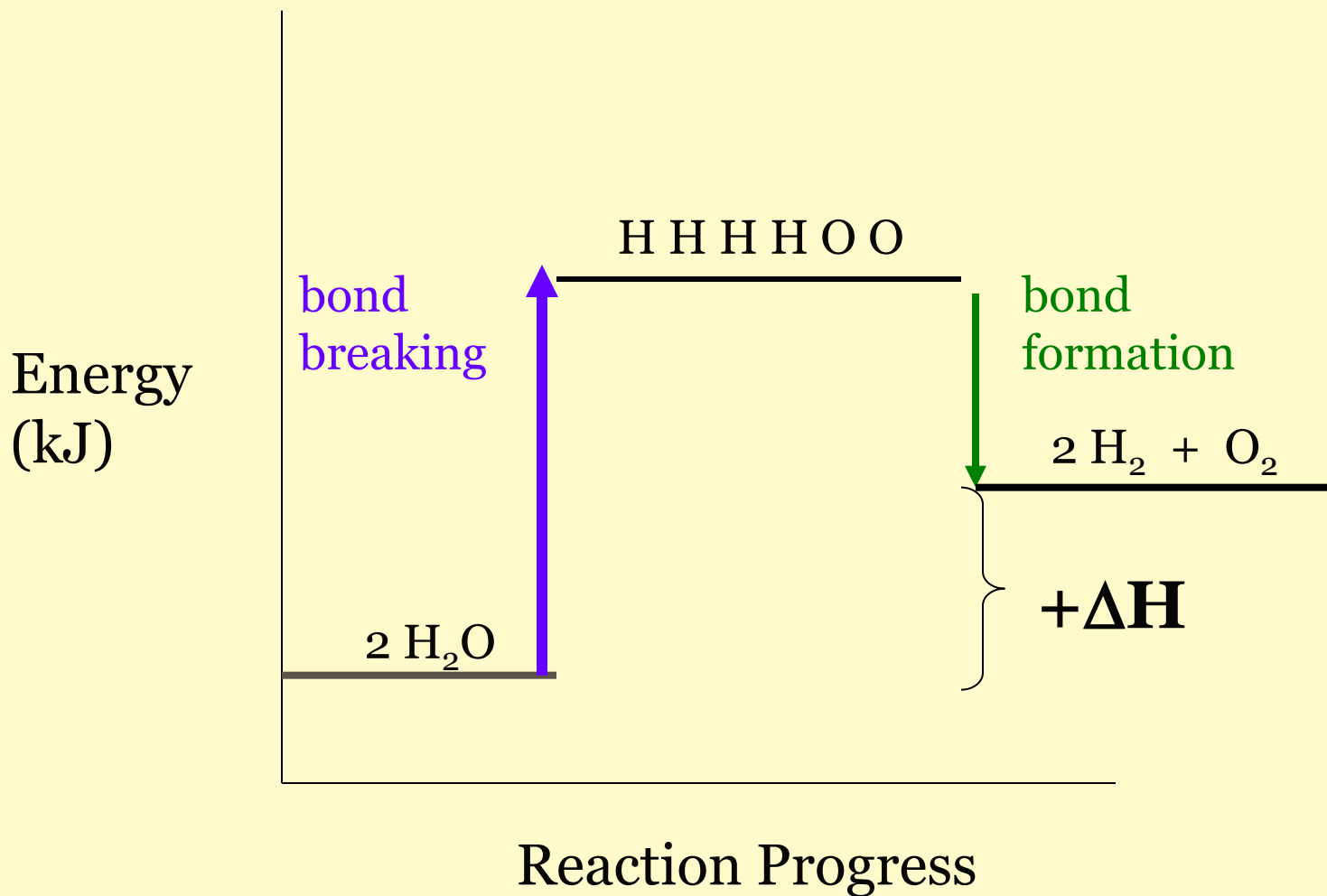
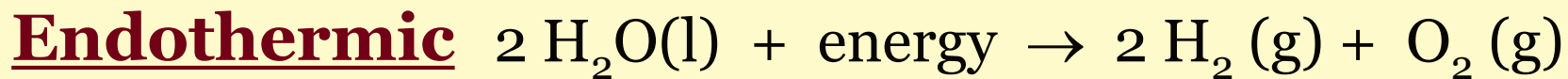
- ★ bond energy is the energy **required to break a chemical bond** or the energy **released when a bond is formed**
- ★ the **change in enthalpy** of a reaction represents the **net effect** from **breaking** the bonds in the reactant(s) and **forming** the bonds of the product(s)
- ★ in **exothermic** reactions, bond breaking absorbs **less** energy than the bond formation gives off, resulting in a **$-\Delta H$**


Exothermic






★ in **endothermic** reactions, bond breaking absorbs **more** energy than the bond formation gives off, resulting in a **$+\Delta H$**




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- ★ the energy barrier that must be overcome for a chemical reaction to occur is called the **activation energy**
 - ★ the atoms in the **reactants** have to be “**pulled apart**” in order for them to bond in a different configuration and become the products
 - ★ the activation energy is always **higher** than the energy contained in the reactants and the products, however the amount of activation energy necessary is dependent on the reaction



★ the **top** of the activation energy barrier on a potential energy diagram represents the **changeover point** of the reaction

★ in both endothermic and exothermic reactions, the molecules of the reactants are moving with a certain amount of **kinetic energy**

★ when the reactants **collide** with each other, the kinetic energy is transformed into **potential energy**

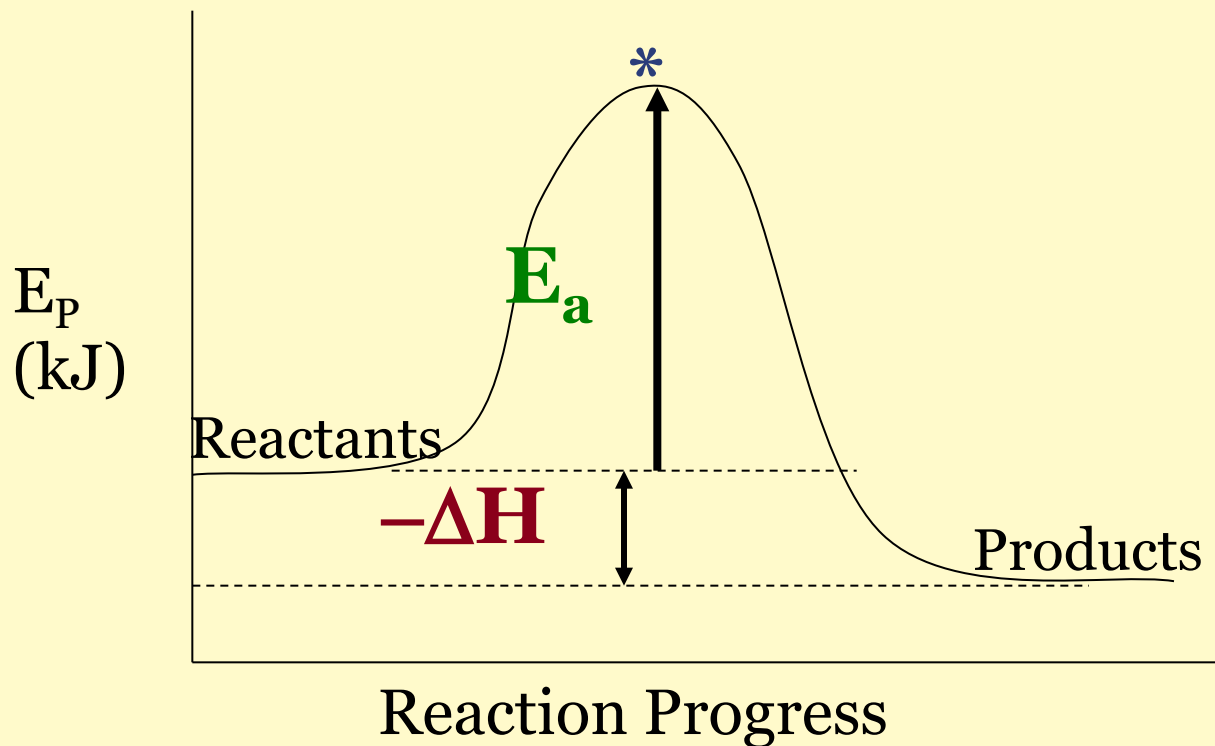


★ this potential energy is then stored in bonds of the chemical species that exists at the top which is called the **activated complex**

★ this is a transitional species that is neither a reactant nor a product which has **partial bonds** and is **highly unstable**

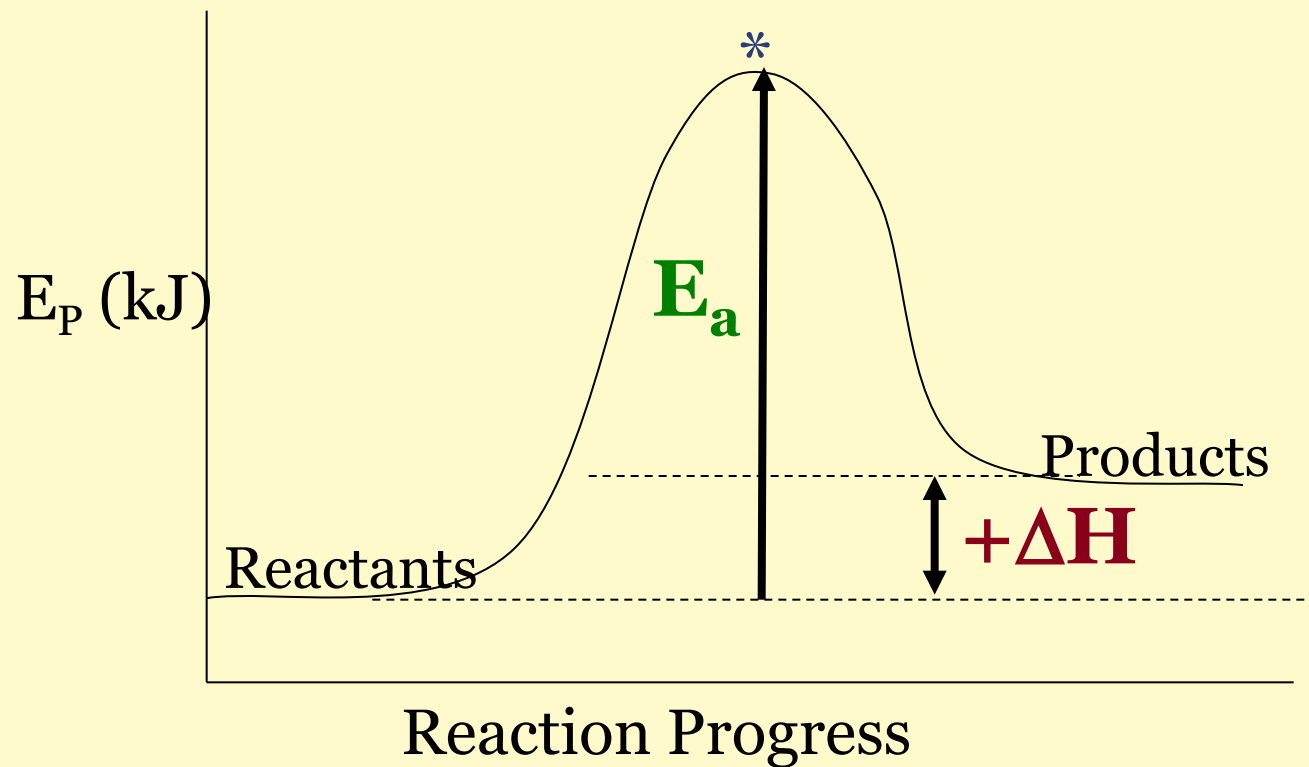
★ when the partial bonds of the activated complex re-form as chemical bonds in the products, the stored potential energy is converted back into **kinetic energy** as the product molecules **move apart**

Potential Energy Diagram: Exothermic



* activated complex

Potential Energy Diagram: Endothermic



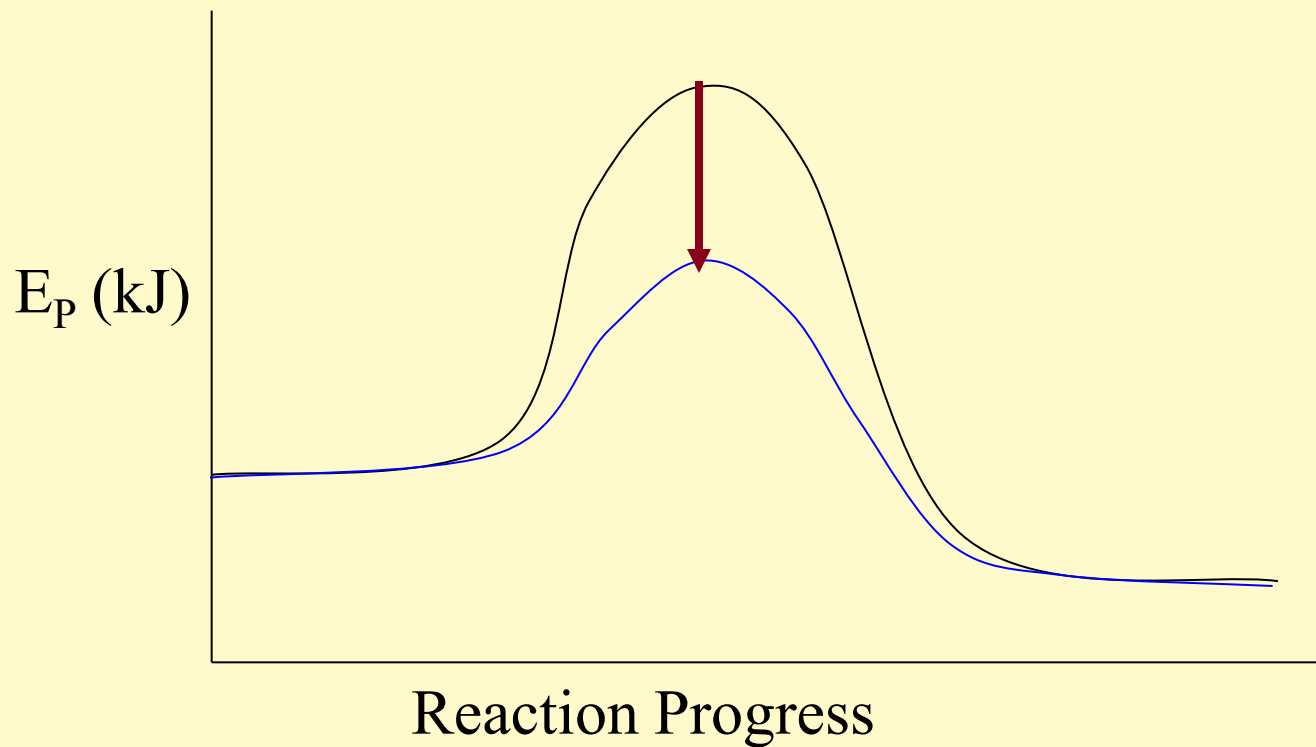
* **activated complex**



N. Catalysts

- ★ a catalyst is a substance that **increases the rate** of a chemical reaction **without being consumed** by the reaction
- ★ catalysts provide **alternate pathways** for chemical reactions
- ★ they **lower** the **activation energy** required for a reaction to take place which results in the production of a **greater yield** of products in a given length of time (even at a lower temperature)
- ★ catalyzed reactions can be shown on E_p diagrams:

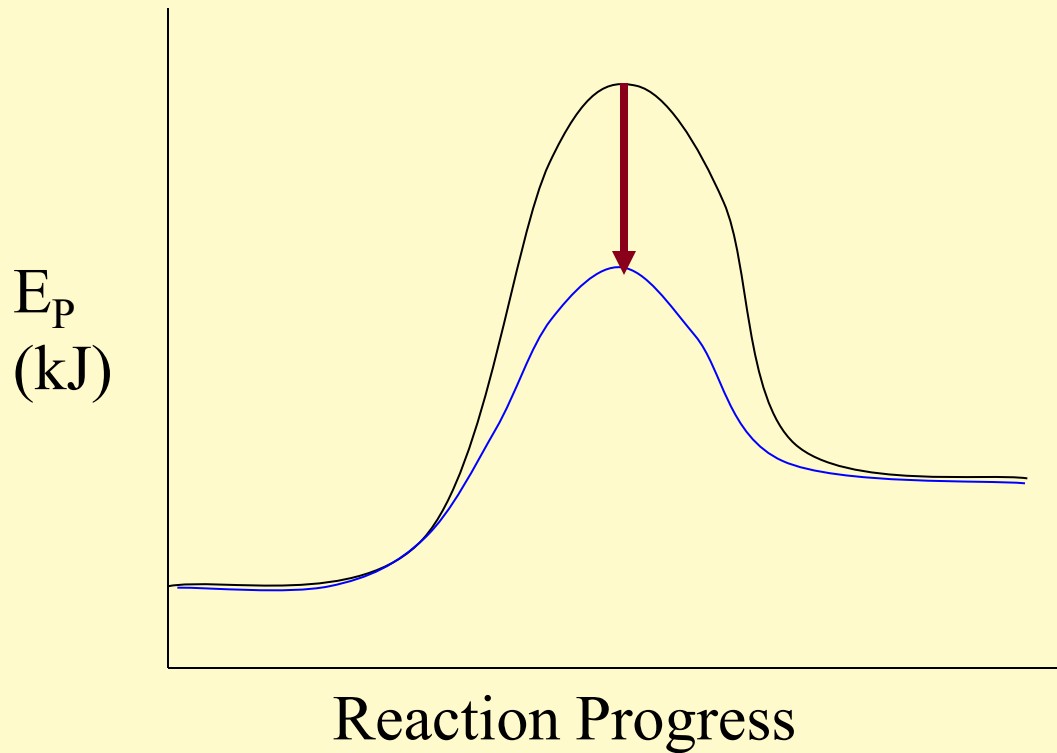
Potential Energy Diagram: Exothermic



————— uncatalyzed reaction

————— catalyzed reaction

Potential Energy Diagram: Endothermic



————— uncatalyzed reaction

————— catalyzed reaction

O. Catalysts in Industry

- ★ catalysts are often used in industry to speed up the reactions and obtain a reasonable reaction rate under reasonable conditions
- ★ in cars, we have **catalytic converters** that use Pt(s), Pd(s) and Rh(s) to speed up the combustion of exhaust gases so that more of the products are **harmless** (N_2 instead of NO_x , CO_2 instead of CO)



★ the oil and gas industry uses catalysts (Pt(s), HF(aq), H₂SO₄(aq) etc) in the **cracking and reforming** of **crude oil** and **bitumen** to make more marketable fuels like gasoline



P. Enzymes

★ compounds that act as catalysts in living systems are called **enzymes**

★ called **biological** catalysts

eg) amylase, peptidase,
lactase

★ chemical reactions in the body occur at very **low** temperature (37°C) and without catalysts many would be too **slow**

