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Ion Chemistry in FT-ICR MS



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FT-ICR mass spectrometry

Operation

Unmatched mass accuracy and resolution



Ion-molecule reactions



Ion-molecule equilibria



IRMPD spectroscopy



Thermal and non-thermal MSⁿ



Performance

Elemental composition of analytes

- Structural characterization of analytes
- Mechanisms of ionic reactions
- Identification of elusive intermediates

Thermodynamic parameters, e. g. gas phase basicities, ligand binding energetics, non covalent interactions

IR spectroscopy of trapped ions (isomeric and conformational assignment)

Dissociation paths and dynamics

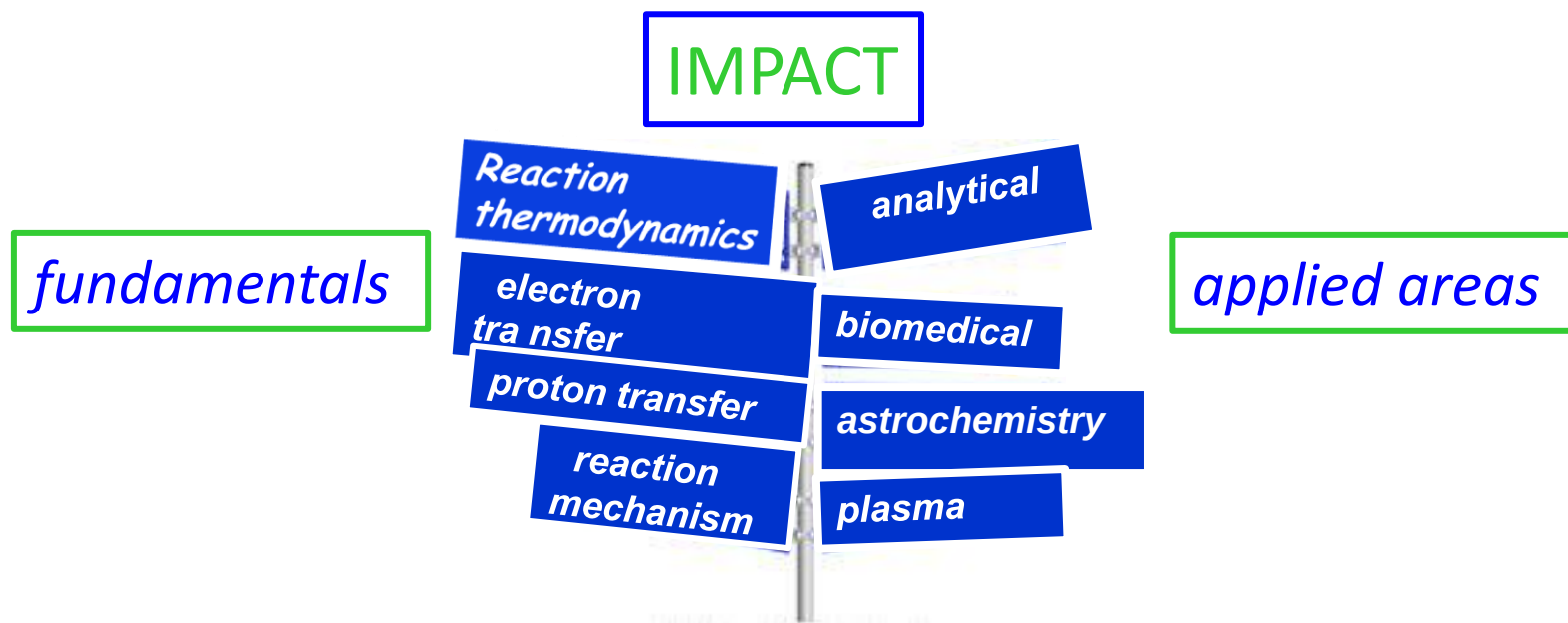
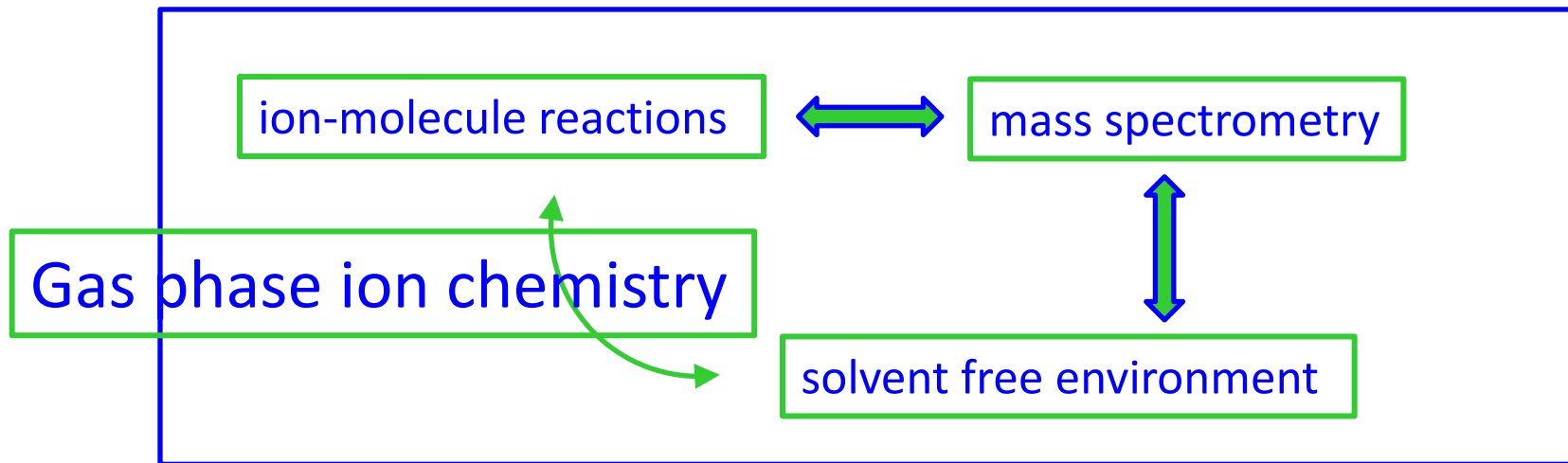
Ions are highly reactive.

They have a role in (in)organic reaction chemistry as:

- reactants
- intermediates
- Catalysts

Very large solvation energies;
masked differences in intrinsic reactivity between similar species.

Gas phase ion chemistry, in the absence of solvent and counterions, allows to elucidate the intrinsic behavior in ionic reactions and expose the role of the environment.



Gas phase ion chemistry

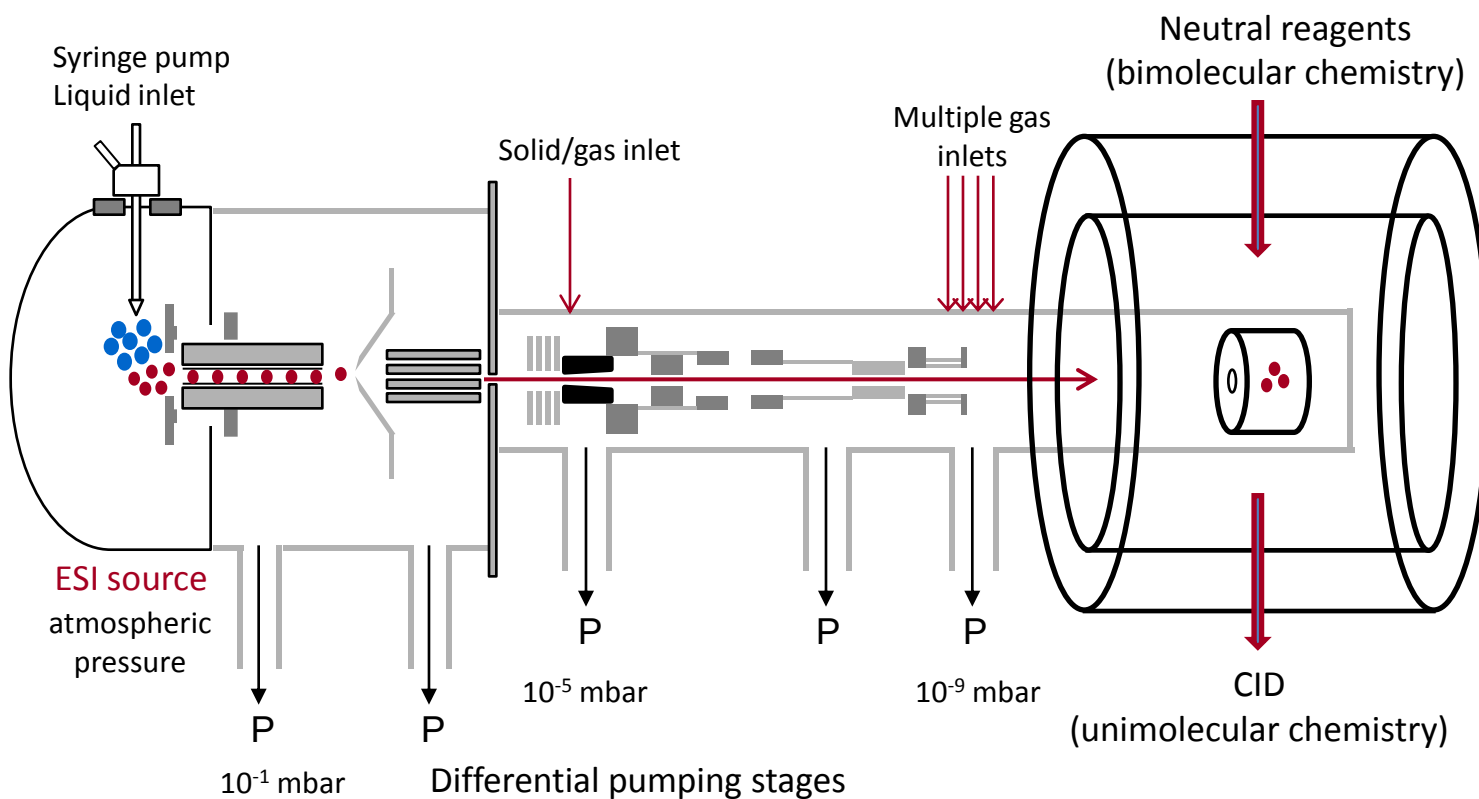
- Measuring rate constants
- Determining reaction efficiency
- Theory of ion-molecule capture/collision
- Slow/fast reactions: double minimum PES
- Examples of Ion Molecule Reactions (IMR)



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FT-ICR mass
spectrometer

Bruker Apex II,
4.7T FT-ICR MS



Superconducting
magnet

Equipment for TNA in Roma



Reaction Rates



$$-\frac{dR(t)}{dt} = k n R(t) \quad \text{the reaction is bimolecular}$$

$\uparrow$
n = number density of neutral N

In a conventional bimolecular process the number density of neutral reactant would decrease with time. Here, it does not.

$$I_{(t)} = I_0 e^{-nkt} \quad \text{pseudo-first order reaction}$$

$$\ln \frac{I_{(t)}}{I_0} = -n k t \quad k = k_{exp}$$

- The semilog plot of the decrease of the parent ion abundance with time is linearly interpolated and the **pseudo-first order rate constant** is obtained.
- The bimolecular rate constant (k_{exp}) at 300 K is gained from the ratio between the negative slope and n , the number density of the neutral.
- n is calculated from the ideal gas equation and allows to convert the measured value of the neutral pressure (mbar) in molecule cm^{-3} at 300 K.

$$k_{exp} = \frac{-\text{slope (s}^{-1}\text{)}}{n \text{ (molecule cm}^{-3}\text{)}} = \dots \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

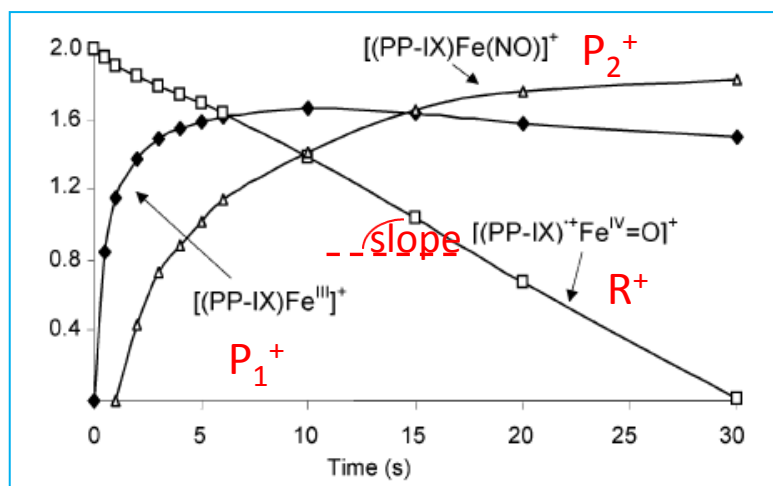
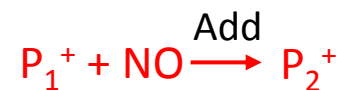


Figure 2. Plot of the logarithm of the relative ion abundances (%) versus time for the reaction of $(PP-IX)Fe^{IV}=O$ with NO at 3.0×10^{-8} mbar.

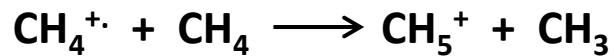


Two consecutive reactions

Typically, the reproducibility of k_{exp} values is within 10%;
while the error in the absolute rate constants is estimated to
be $\pm 30\%$.

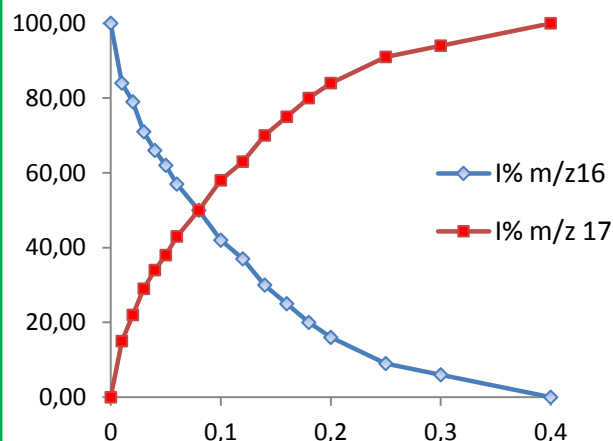
It is mainly due to uncertainty in pressure measurements.

calibration of cold cathode gauge

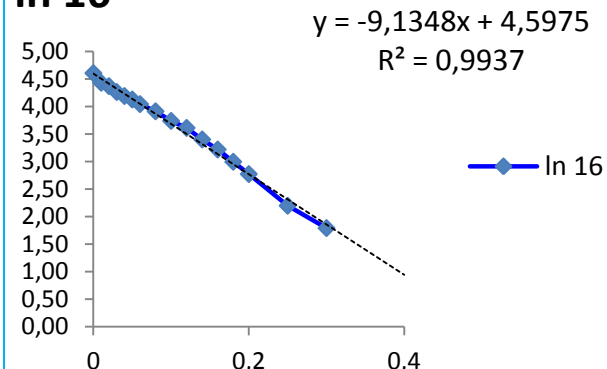


$$k_{\text{CH}_4} = 1,1 \times 10^{-9} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule s}^{-1}$$

time	I% m/z 16	I% m/z 17	ln 16
0	100.00	0.00	4.605
0.01	84.00	15.00	4.431
0.02	79.00	22.00	4.369
0.03	71.00	29.00	4.263
0.04	66.00	34.00	4.190
0.05	62.00	38.00	4.127
0.06	57.00	43.00	4.043
0.08	50.00	50.00	3.912
0.1	42.00	58.00	3.738
0.12	37.00	63.00	3.611
0.14	30.00	70.00	3.401
0.16	25.00	75.00	3.219
0.18	20.00	80.00	2.996
0.2	16.00	84.00	2.773
0.25	9.00	91.00	2.197
0.3	6.00	94.00	1.792
0.4	0.00	100.00	



ln 16



-slope

$$k_{\text{exp}} = \frac{9,13}{2,4 \times 10^{16} \times 1,1 \times 10^{-7}} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

number density at 1.1×10^{-7} mbar

$$K_{\text{exp}} / k_{\text{CH}_4} = f \text{ (calibration factor)}$$



The efficiency (Φ) of an ion molecule reaction can be determined by comparing the experimental rate constant (k_{exp}) with a theoretical estimate of the capture rate constant (k_{coll}).

$$\Phi = \frac{k_{exp}}{k_{coll}}$$

reaction probability per collision
(number of events that bring to reaction)

Many exothermic reactions exhibit unit reaction probability at room T;
others proceed with reaction efficiency much less than unity.

- 1) how do we calculate k_{coll}
- 2) how do we explain the evidence that many exothermic reactions have unit efficiency whereas others present (very) low reaction efficiency

Theoretical aspects of ion-molecule reactions



Capture/collision rate : $k_{\text{coll}} \sim 1 \times 10^{-9} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$

One or two orders of magnitude larger than molecule-molecule reactions

Calculation of collision rate constant

- Ion/induced dipole potential: Langevin (and Gioumousis-Stevenson) theory
- Average dipole orientation (ADO) : Su & Bowers
- Angular momentum conserved ADO : Su & Chesnavich



Langevin Theory

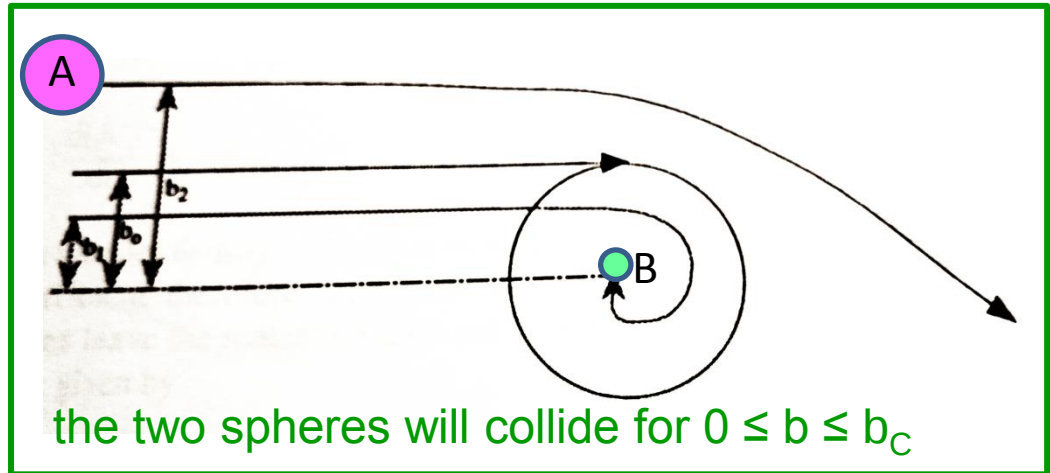
$$V = \frac{-\alpha e^2}{2r^4}$$

potential energy of attraction

$$k_L = 2\pi e \left(\frac{\alpha}{\mu} \right)^{1/2}$$

capture rate coefficient

the ion is a point charge;
the neutral molecule has a polarizability α .



equation of Giomousis and Stevenson

μ is the reduced mass of the pair

The Langevin model does not deal with the case of molecules that have a permanent dipole moment: it underestimates k_{coll} by a factor of 2.

Locked dipole Theory

- it is assumed that the dipole is oriented toward the ion with a zero degree angle.
- maximization of dipole contribution: **excessively large calculated rate constants**
- Langevin treatment and “locked dipole” served to **bracket** capture limit rate constants of ion-polar molecule collisions

k_{ADO} Theory

ADO: averaged dipole orientation

- it is assumed that there is no net angular momentum transfer between the rotating molecule and the ion-molecule orbital motion
- statistical methods are used to calculate the average orientation of the polar molecule in the ion field
- predicts accurately absolute proton transfer rate constants

k_{ADO} Theory

ADO: averaged dipole orientation

$$V(r) = -\frac{\alpha q^2}{2r^4} - \frac{\mu_D q}{r^2} \cos \Theta$$

the first term is the Langevin or induced dipole contribution

Θ is the instantaneous angle between the dipole and the line of interaction with the ion (in the locked dipole approximation $\cos \Theta = 1$). It varies with r .

the second term reduces the dipolar contribution to V (average dipole energy)

$$k_{\text{ADO}} = \frac{2\pi q}{\sqrt{\mu}} \left\{ \sqrt{\alpha} + C\mu_D \left(\frac{2}{\pi k_B T} \right)^{1/2} \right\}$$

μ is the reduced mass; μ_D is the permanent dipole;
 C is a correction factor that is function of $\mu_D / \alpha^{1/2}$;
 k_B is Boltzmann's constant





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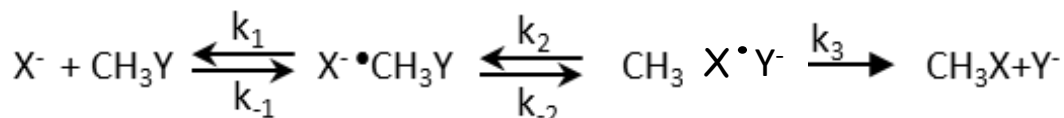
The double-well model for IMRs

Many exothermic ion-molecule reactions proceed at collision rates :

- ion-dipole and ion-induced dipole attraction at long range;
- large interaction energy at short range

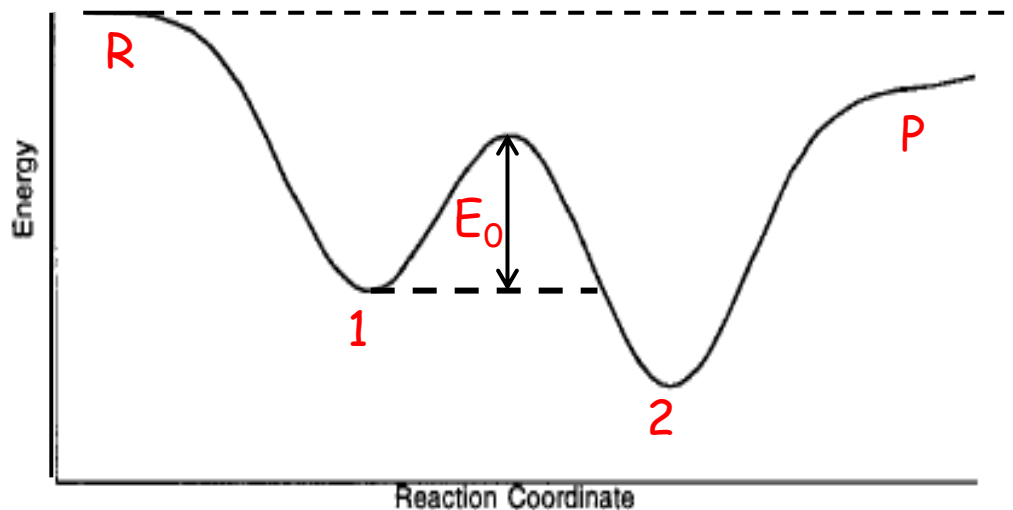
Though, many counter-examples (slow rates) are known.

slow means that most of the collisions simply return back to reactants

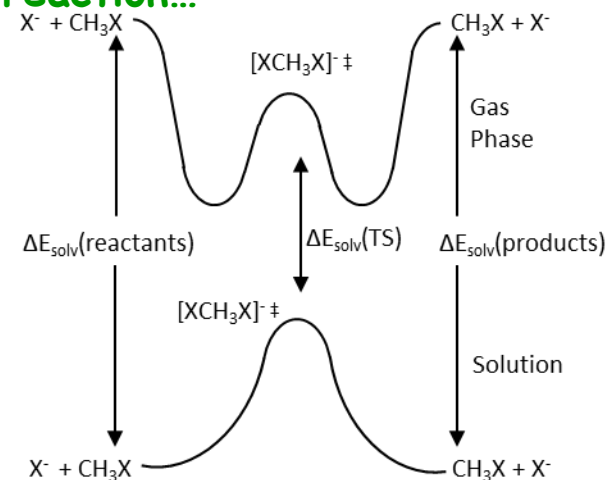


nucleophilic displacement ($\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$)

Capture is a necessary but not sufficient condition for reaction...



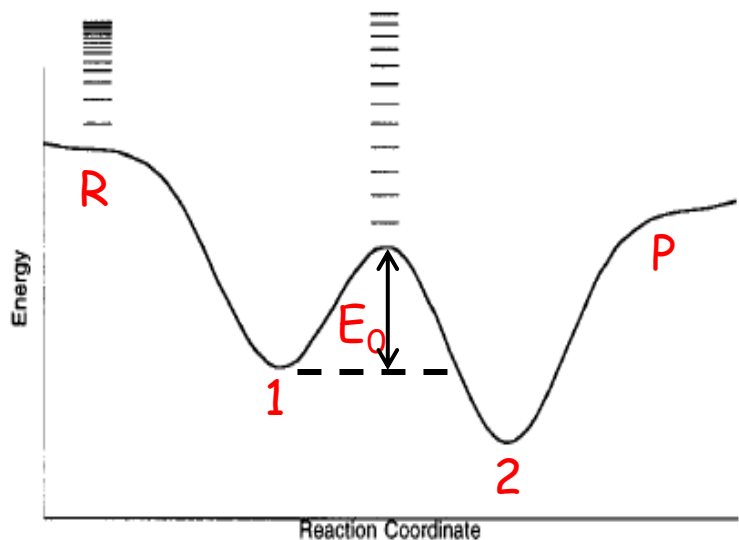
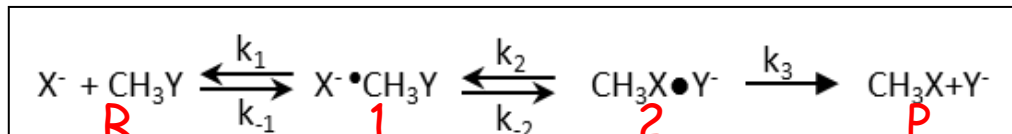
Gas-phase double-well potential energy surface.



Gas-phase and solution PES for the $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$ reaction.



Overall the efficiency depends on the height of the central barrier and the entropic constraints at the transition state.



under the collisionless conditions of FT-ICR, the intermediate complexes 1 and 2 are chemically activated

k_2 : unimolecular isomerization with a *tight* (highly organized) TS (low A factor);
 k_{-1} : fragmentation reaction with a *loose* (with many degrees of freedom) TS (high A factor)

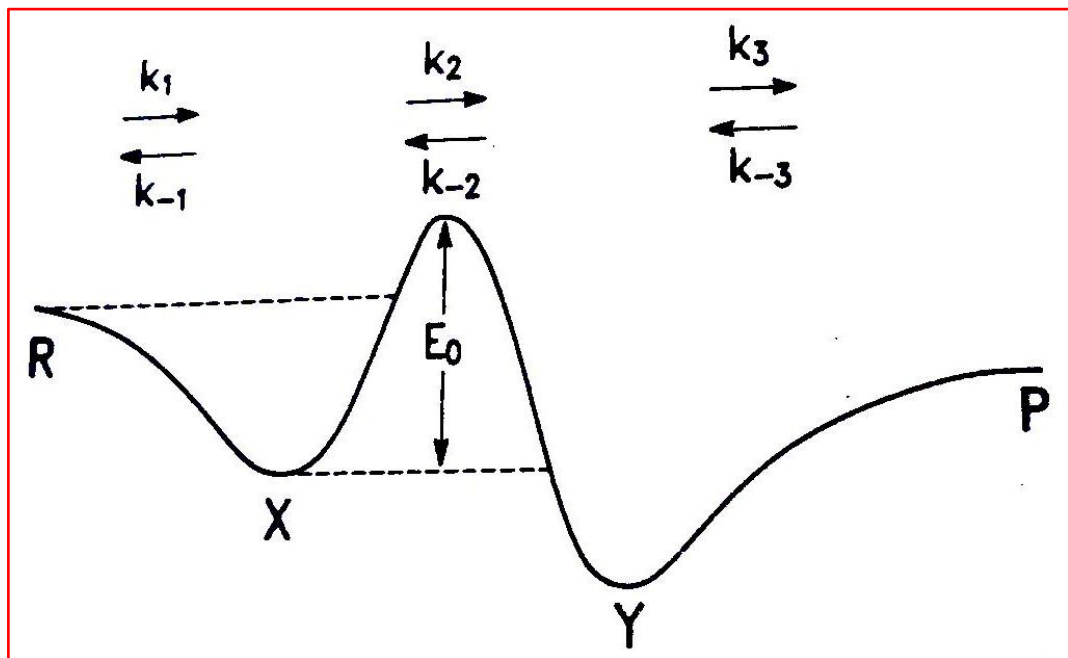
energy favors k_2 ; entropy favors k_{-1}

Negative temperature dependence

competition takes place between one pathway that is energetically favored and another that is entropically favored.

At low E_0 a fast reaction will occur





Slow reactions

Double-minimum potential surface with a TS lying above the reactants in energy.

For **long-lived** initial complexes, the energy can be removed via photon emission (**radiative stabilization**)



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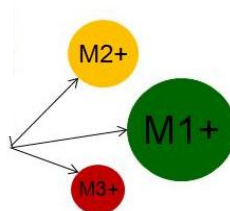
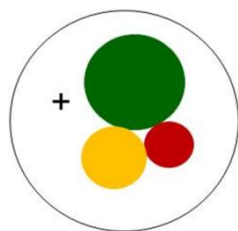
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Types of Ion-Molecule Reactions

- Electron-Transfer
- Proton transfer
- H-atom/ O-atom transfer
- R^+ transfer
- H/D exchange
- Nucleophilic displacement
- Radiative association

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Proton-Transfer Reactions



large exothermicity



$$\text{GB}(\text{A}) = -\Delta\text{G}^\circ$$

Proton-Transfer Reactions



base A of unknown GB (PA)

base B of known GB (PA)

by using several reference bases B, the GB (PA) of A can be determined

Bracketing method: kinetics



- measurement of k_{exp}
- presence of gaseous B

Equilibrium method: equilibrium



- measurement of K_{eq}
- presence of gaseous A and B

$$K_{\text{eq}} = \frac{[\text{BH}]^+ [\text{A}]}{[\text{AH}]^+ [\text{B}]} \quad \ln K_{\text{eq}} = \frac{-\Delta G^\circ}{RT}$$



Thermokinetic method



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A relationship between the kinetics and thermochemistry of proton transfer reactions in the gas phase

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A way to deduce thermochemical information from kinetic data



$$k_{\text{exp}} = \frac{k_{\text{coll}} k_1}{k_{-1} + k_1}$$

$$\Phi = \frac{k_{\text{exp}}}{k_{\text{coll}}} = \frac{1}{1 + (k_{-1} / k_1)}$$

the efficiency is high for highly exoergic reactions and decreases as the transfer approaches thermoneutrality

$$k_i(T) = \frac{k_{\text{B}}T}{h} \exp(-\Delta G_i^{\ddagger}/RT)$$

← free energy change for the formation of the activated complex

$$\frac{k_{-1}}{k_1} = \exp(\Delta G_1^{\ddagger}/RT) \quad \Delta G_1^{\ddagger} = -(\Delta G_{-1}^{\ddagger} - \Delta G_1^{\circ})$$



$$\Phi = \frac{k_{\text{exp}}}{k_{\text{coll}}} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\Delta G_l^{0*}/RT)}$$

$$\Delta G_l^{0*} = \Delta G_l^0 + \Delta G_a^0$$

free energy for the formation of the activated complex

free energy for a given reaction: **GB(M)-GB(B)**

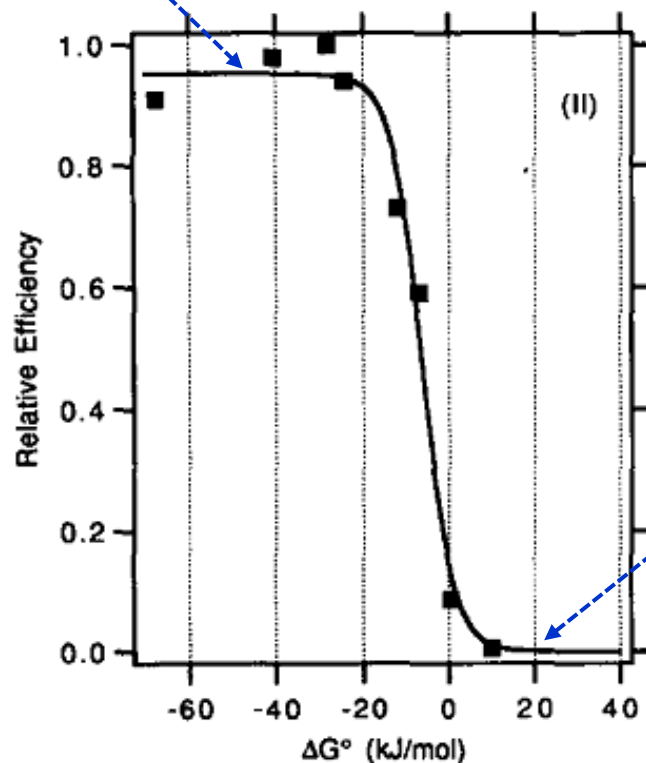
Intrinsic barrier separating reactants and products

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{1 + \exp[(\Delta G_l^0 + \Delta G_a^0)/RT]}$$

provides a direct link between the kinetic and thermodynamic properties of a proton transfer reaction



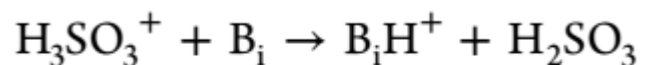
a high efficiency is observed
for exoergic reactions
($\Delta G_1^0 \leq -20 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$)



an efficiency close to zero is
associated with endoergic
processes ($\Delta G_1^0 \geq 10 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$)

correlation of Eff with ΔG° allows to determine the unknown GB(M) from
a series of experiments involving bases B of known GB





$$\Delta G^\circ_1 = \text{GB}(\text{H}_2\text{SO}_3) - \text{GB}(\text{B}_i)$$

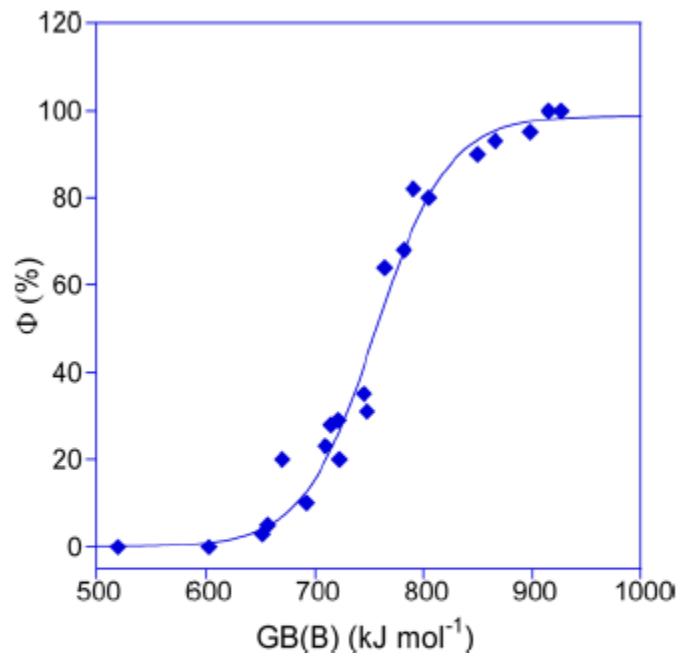
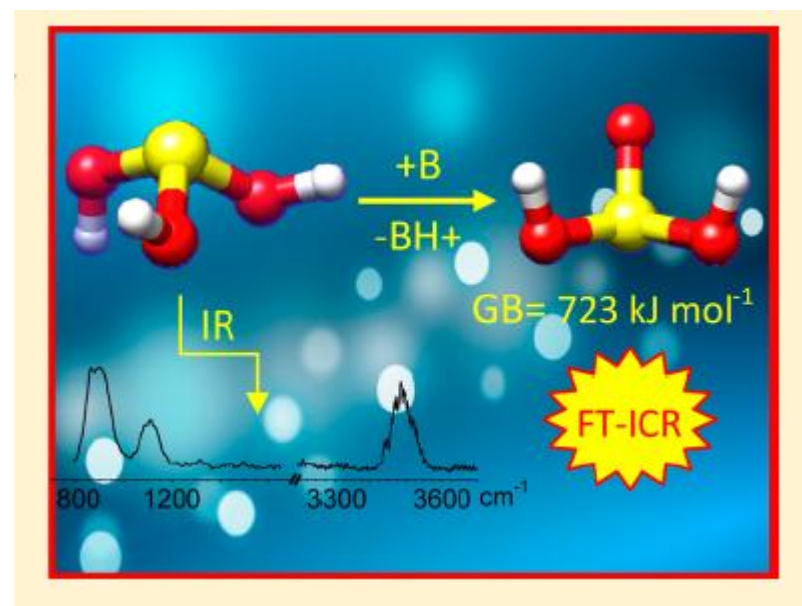


Figure 1. Reaction efficiency (Φ) for the $\text{H}_3\text{SO}_3^+ + \text{B}_i \rightarrow \text{B}_i\text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_3$ proton-transfer reaction plotted versus the GB of the reference bases B_i . The solid curve fits the experimental data based on the parametric function $\Phi = a/\{1 + \exp[(c - \text{GB}_{298}(\text{B}_i))b]\}$.

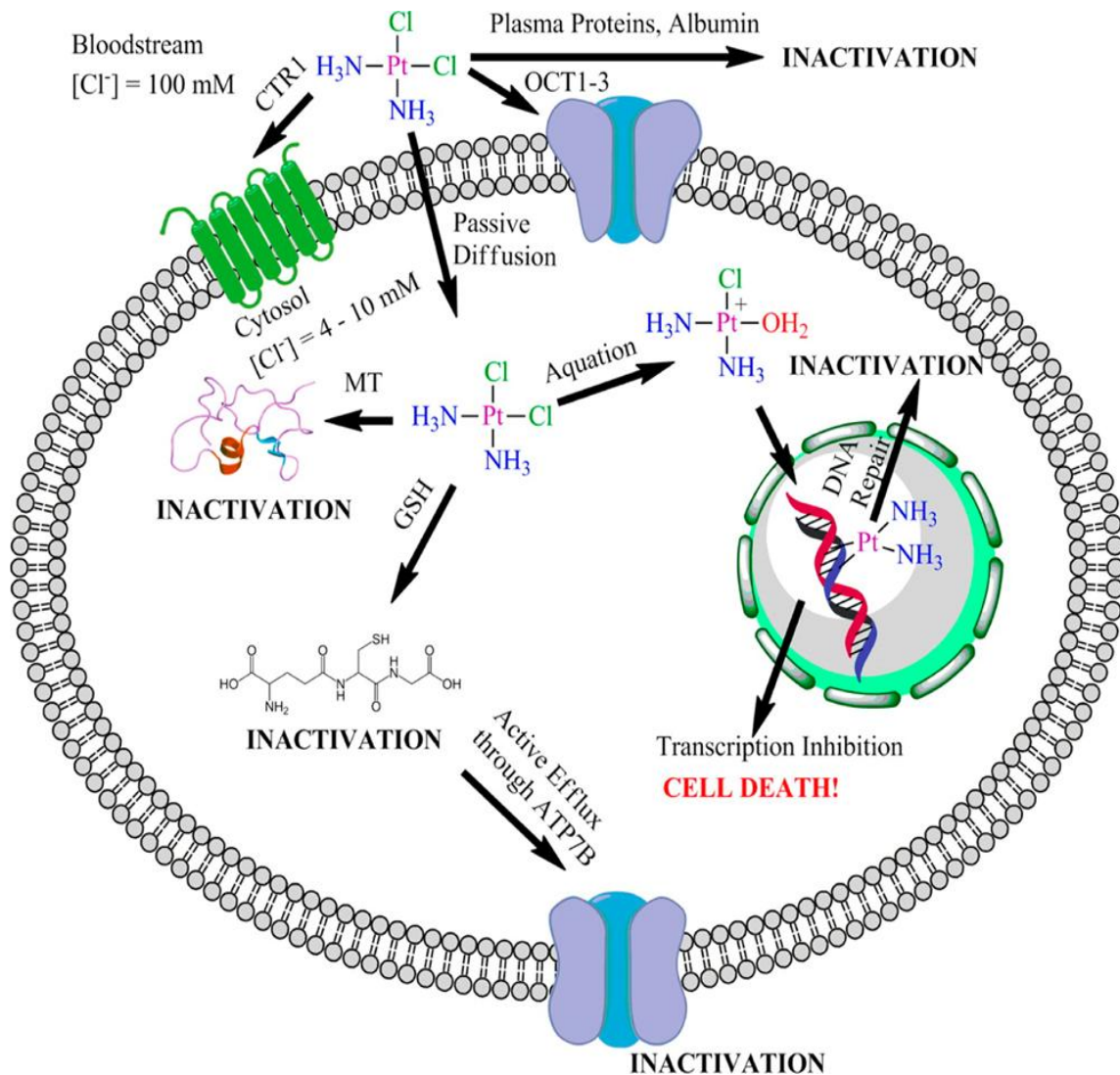
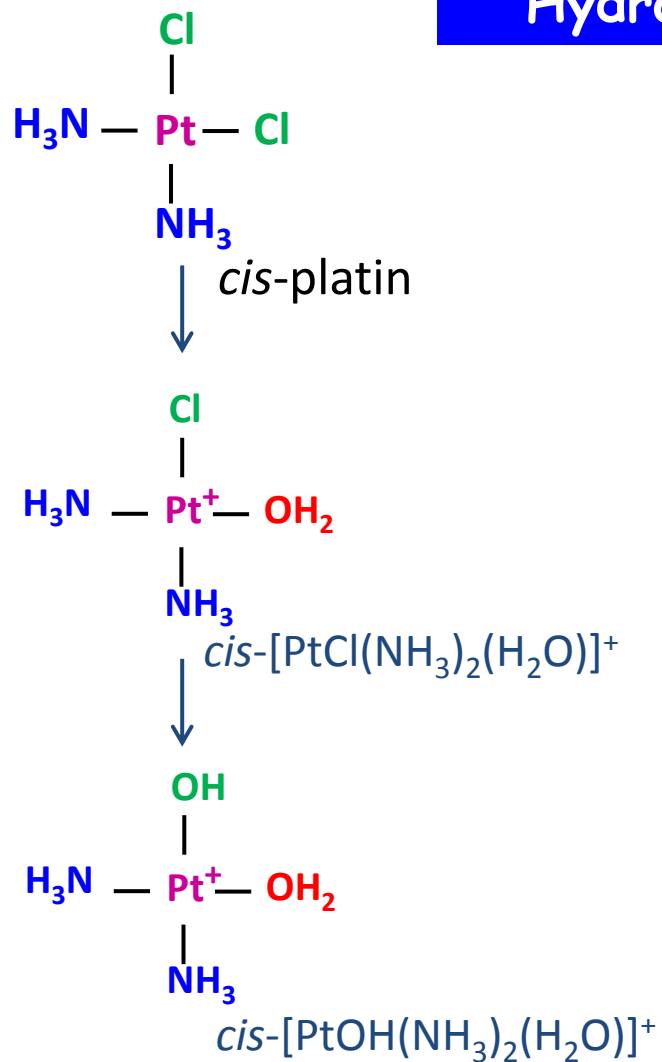
H_2SO_3
highly elusive
molecule





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Hydrolysis of cis and transplatin



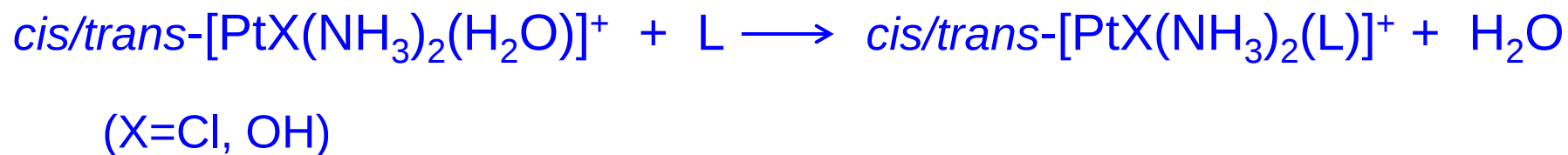
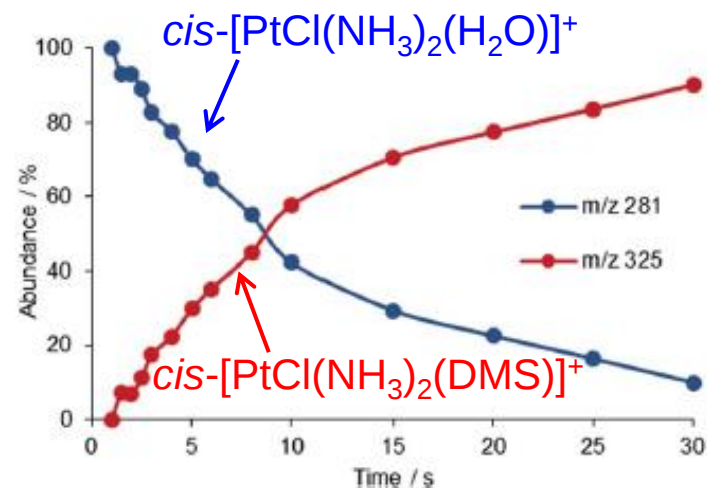


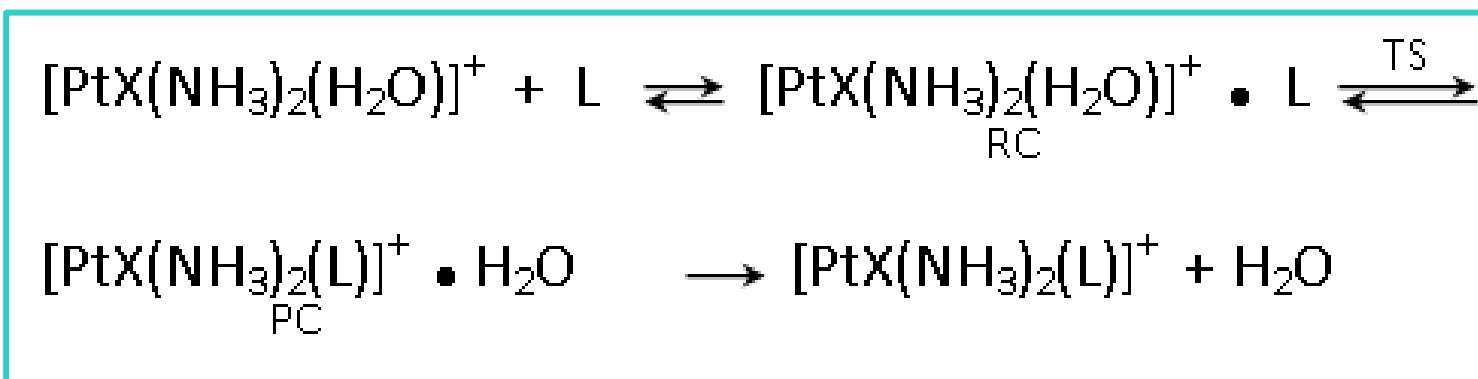
Table 2 Reactivity of $[\text{PtX(NH}_3)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})]^+$ (X = Cl, OH; *cis* and *trans* isomers) with simple molecules in the gas-phase

Reagent ion	Neutral	k_{exp}^a	Eff ^b (%)
<i>cis</i> - $[\text{PtCl(NH}_3)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})]^+$	TMP	3.7	2.5 ^b
	Pyridine	0.6	0.41 ^{b,c}
	Thioanisole	1.4	1.1 ^b
	Dimethylsulfide	0.034	0.026
<i>trans</i> - $[\text{PtCl(NH}_3)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})]^+$	TMP	3.3	2.3
	Pyridine	1.4	0.93 ^d
	Thioanisole	7.7	6.3
	Dimethylsulfide	2.4	1.7
<i>cis</i> - $[\text{Pt(OH)(NH}_3)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})]^+$	TMP	0.96	0.66
	Pyridine	0.46	0.31 ^e
	Thioanisole	0.1	0.08
	Dimethylsulfide	n. r. ^f	
<i>trans</i> - $[\text{Pt(OH)(NH}_3)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})]^+$	TMP	1.1	0.78
	Pyridine	0.05	0.03 ^g
	Thioanisole	0.46	0.37
	Dimethylsulfide	n. r. ^f	

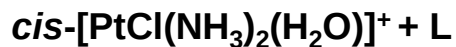
^a Second order rate constant in units of $10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ at 298 K, estimated error $\pm 30\%$. Other sampled compounds proved to be



Ligand exchange is a stepwise process

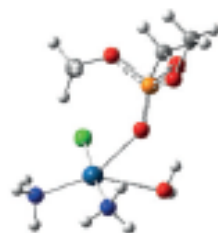


Φ for the overall process depends on the branching of RC

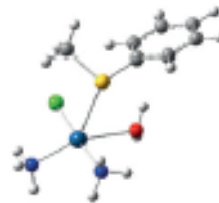


TMP
(143)

TA
(88)



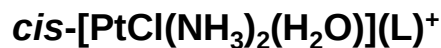
TMP_TS



TA_TS

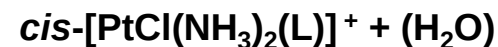
higher Φ of TMP :
high threshold
energy for back
dissociation vs
activation energy for
ligand exchange

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TMP_TS
(76)

TA_TS
(40)

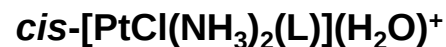


TMP_1
(41)

TMP_1
(-14)

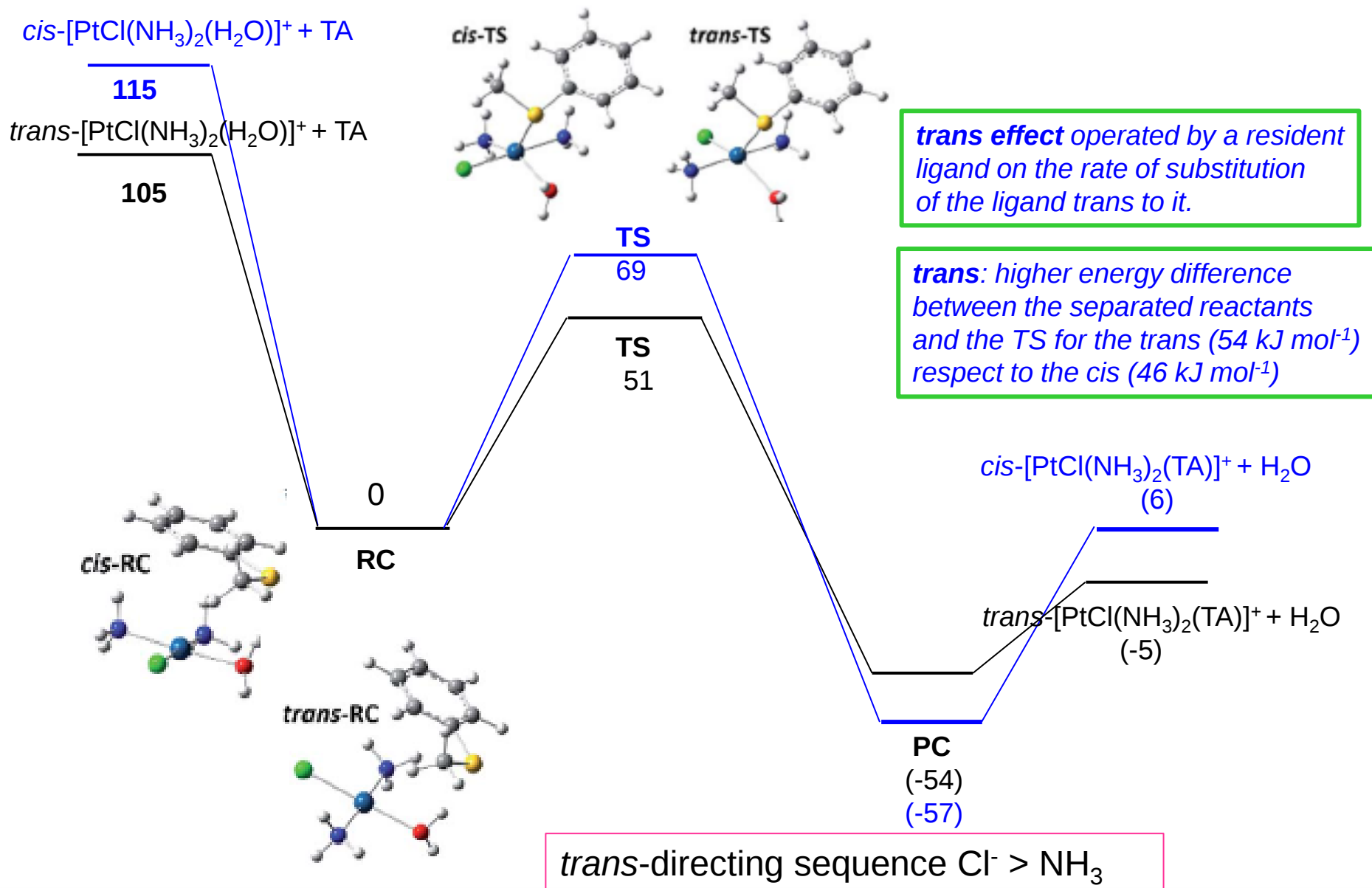
TA_1
(-21)

TA_1
(-84)

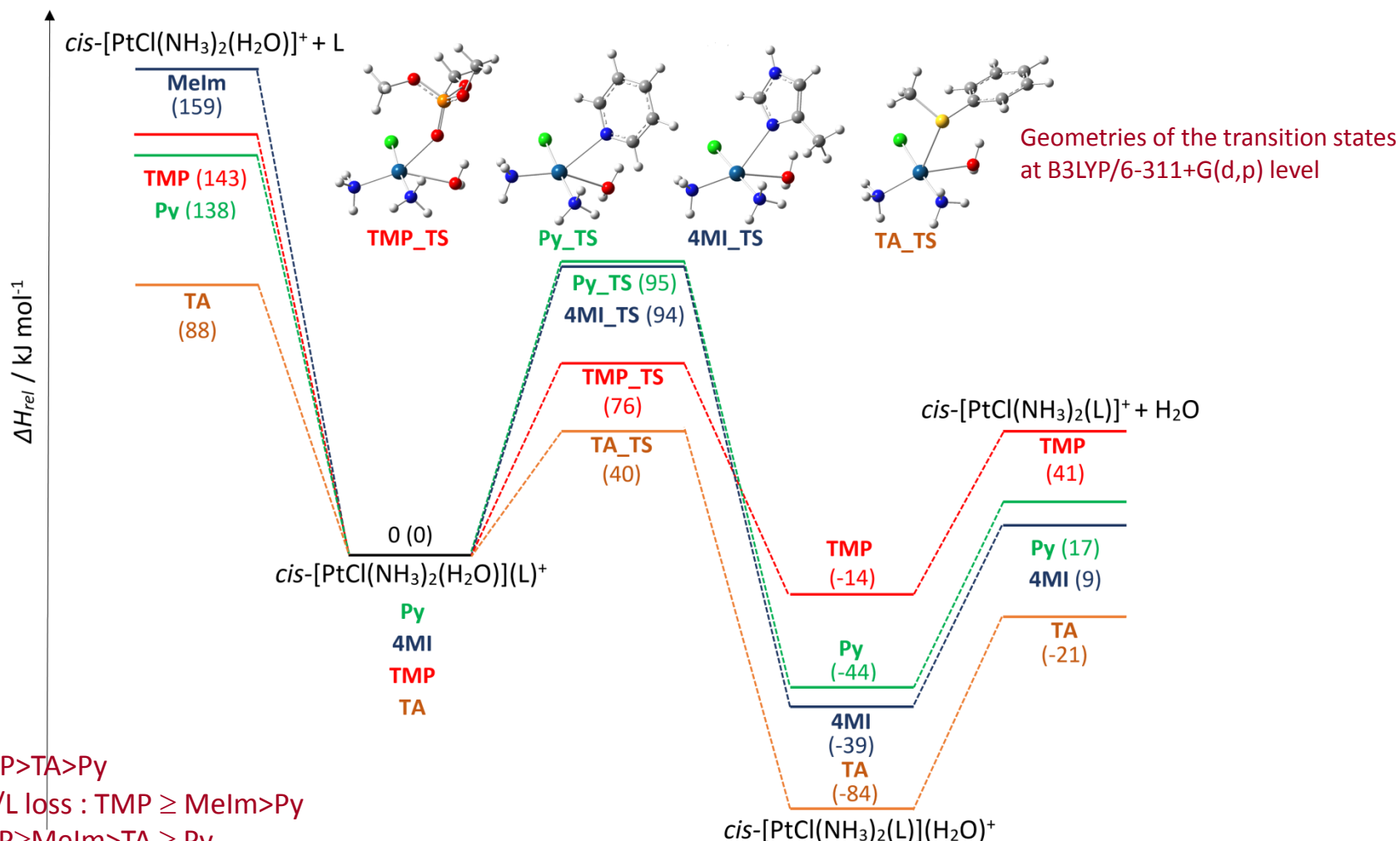


PES for the reaction of $cis-[PtCl(NH_3)_2(H_2O)]^+$ with $L = \text{TMP}$, TA . Relative enthalpies (kJ mol^{-1}) at 298 K are reported at the wB97X-D/6-311+G(d,p) level of theory.





PES for the reaction of $cis-[PtCl(NH_3)_2(H_2O)]^+$ with L (L= Py, 4-Melm, TMP, TA)



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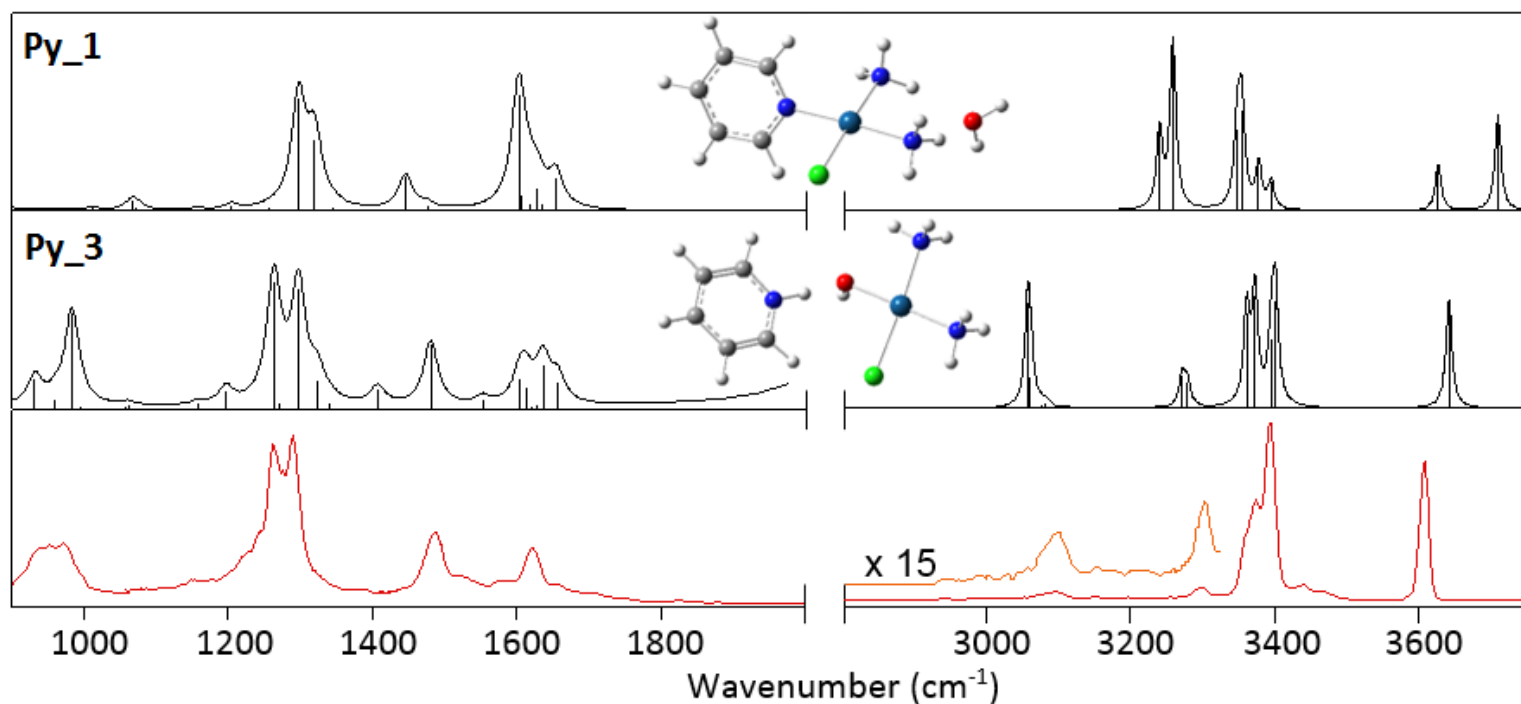


**"I just love it when they
explode out of the water"**

ESI can 'fish' reactants,
intermediates and
products, either ionic
species or molecules in
ionic form.

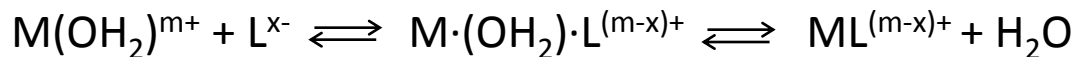
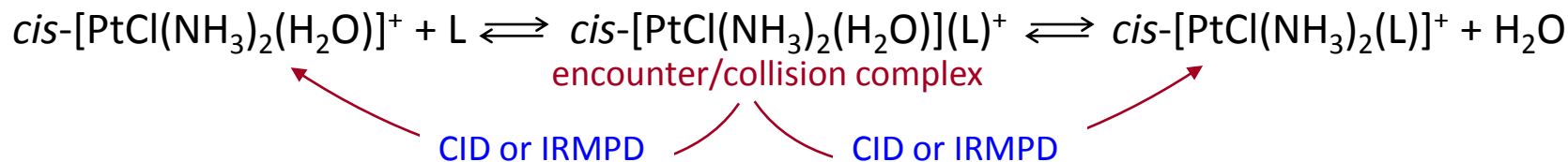
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IR spectroscopy of $[\text{PtCl}(\text{NH}_3)_2(\text{Py})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]^+$



Ligand substitution at the encounter/collision complex level

ligand substitution in water



Eigen-Wilkins reactant preassociation model