

# L4 Enzyme functional nature

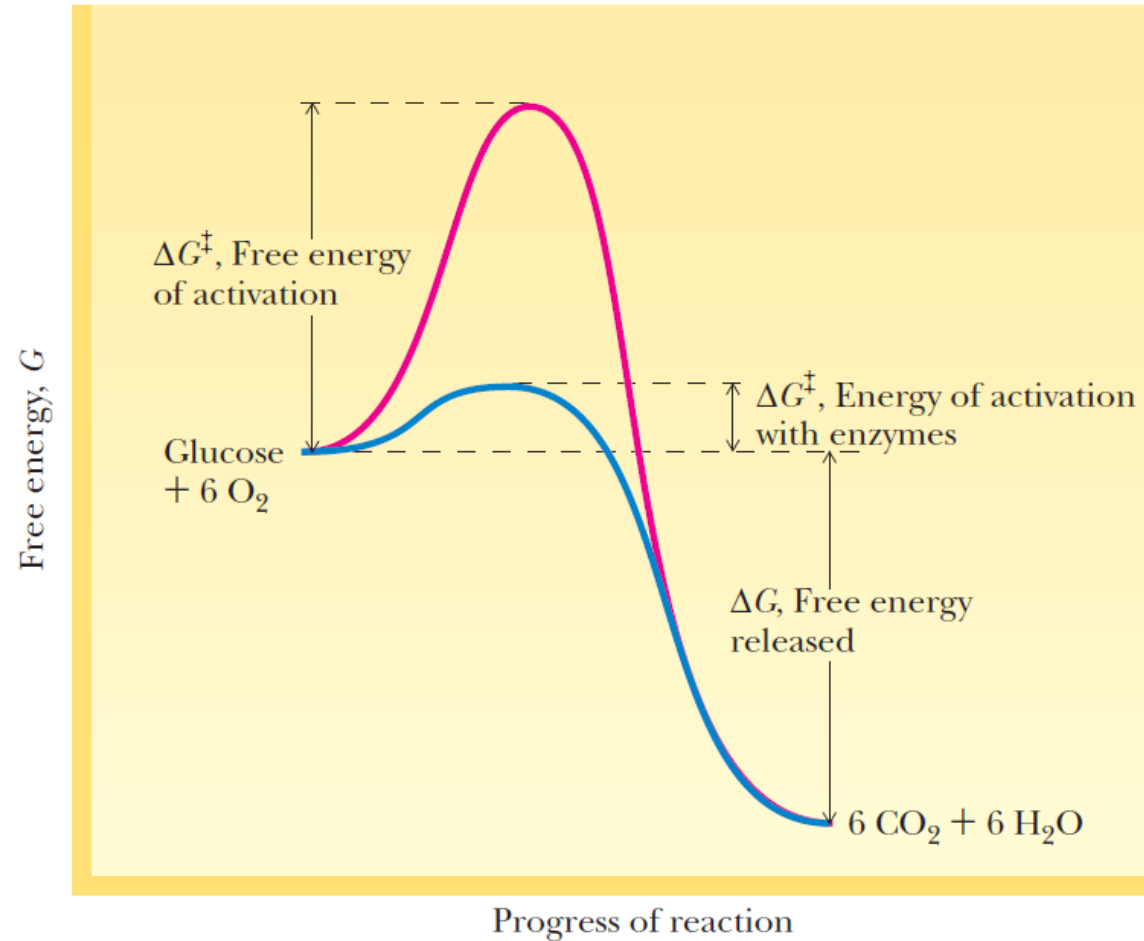
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Enzymes are catalyst,  
That accelerate chemical reactions

Mostly enzymes are proteins,  
some RNA enzymes also exist



# Enzyme catalytic power

TABLE 14.1 A Comparison of Enzyme-Catalyzed Reactions and Their Uncatalyzed Counterparts				
Reaction	Enzyme	Uncatalyzed Rate, $v_u$ (sec <sup>-1</sup> )	Catalyzed Rate, $v_e$ (sec <sup>-1</sup> )	$v_e/v_u$
Fructose-1,6-bisP $\longrightarrow$ fructose-6-P + P <sub>i</sub>	Fructose-1,6-bisphosphatase	$2 \times 10^{-20}$	21	$1.05 \times 10^{21}$
(Glucose) <sub>n</sub> + H <sub>2</sub> O $\longrightarrow$ (glucose) <sub>n-2</sub> + maltose	$\beta$ -amylase	$1.9 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.4 \times 10^3$	$7.2 \times 10^{17}$
DNA, RNA cleavage	Staphylococcal nuclease	$7 \times 10^{-16}$	95	$1.4 \times 10^{17}$
$\text{CH}_3\text{—O—PO}_3^{2-} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \longrightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{OH} + \text{HPO}_4^{2-}$	Alkaline phosphatase	$1 \times 10^{-15}$	14	$1.4 \times 10^{16}$
$\text{H}_2\text{N—}\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}\text{C—NH}_2 + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{H}^+ \longrightarrow 2 \text{NH}_4^+ + \text{HCO}_3^-$	Urease	$3 \times 10^{-10}$	$3 \times 10^4$	$1 \times 10^{14}$
$\text{R—}\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}\text{C—O—CH}_2\text{CH}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \longrightarrow \text{RCOOH} + \text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_3$	Chymotrypsin	$1 \times 10^{-10}$	$1 \times 10^2$	$1 \times 10^{12}$
Glucose + ATP $\longrightarrow$ Glucose-6-P + ADP	Hexokinase	$<1 \times 10^{-13}$	$1.3 \times 10^{-3}$	$>1.3 \times 10^{10}$
$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{NAD}^+ \longrightarrow \text{CH}_3\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}\text{CH} + \text{NADH} + \text{H}^+$	Alcohol dehydrogenase	$<6 \times 10^{-12}$	$2.7 \times 10^{-5}$	$>4.5 \times 10^6$
$\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \longrightarrow \text{HCO}_3^- + \text{H}^+$	Carbonic anhydrase	$10^{-2}$	$10^5$	$1 \times 10^7$
Creatine + ATP $\longrightarrow$ Cr-P + ADP	Creatine kinase	$<3 \times 10^{-9}$	$4 \times 10^{-5}$	$>1.33 \times 10^4$

Adapted from Koshland, D., 1956. Molecular geometry in enzyme action. *Journal of Cellular Comparative Physiology*, Supp. 1, 47:217; and Wolfenden, R., 2006. Degrees of difficulty of water-consuming reactions in the absence of enzymes. *Chemical Reviews* 106:3379–3396.

# Enzyme specificity

Enzyme specificity:

- Molecular recognition based on shape and charge of the molecule at atomic level
- Even chiral groups will be distinguished

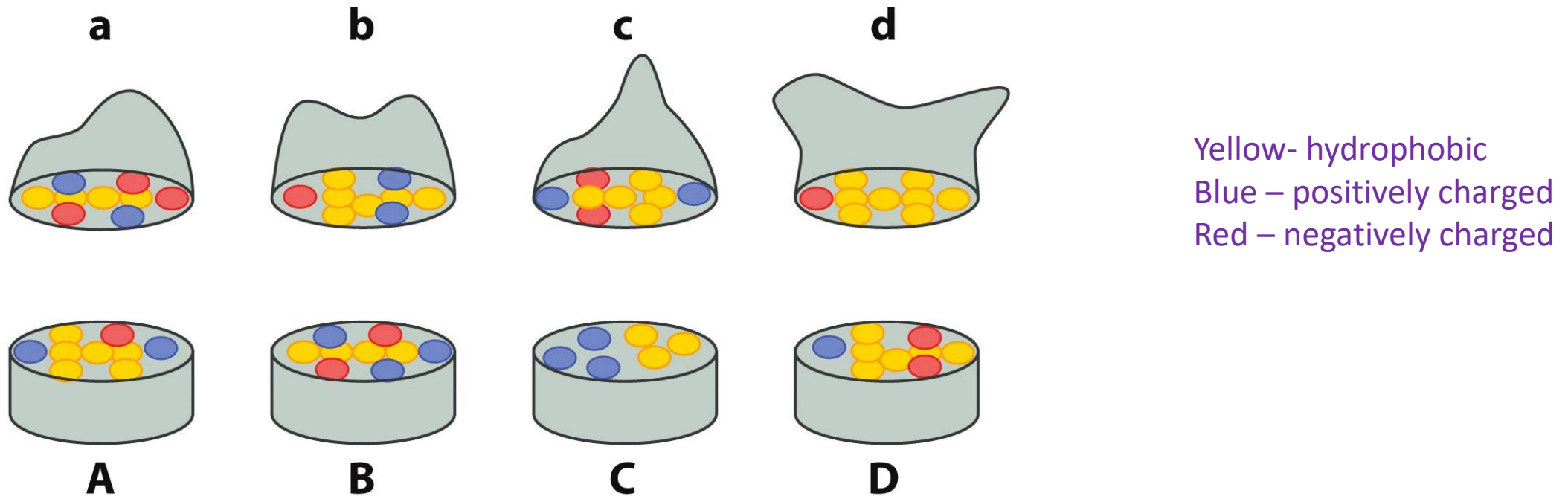


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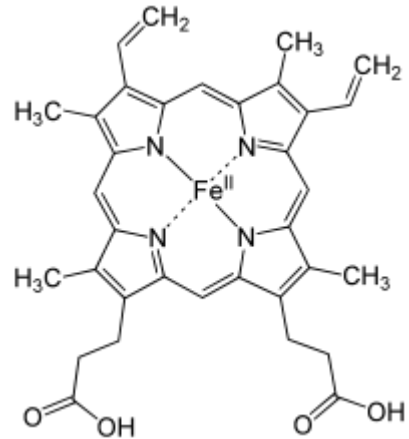
# Enzyme cofactors and coenzymes

**Cofactors:** Are non protein components that are required for function of an Enzyme

e.g.,  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  ions

**Prosthetic group:** Organic molecule cofactor, tightly bound to enzyme. Eg., Haem group

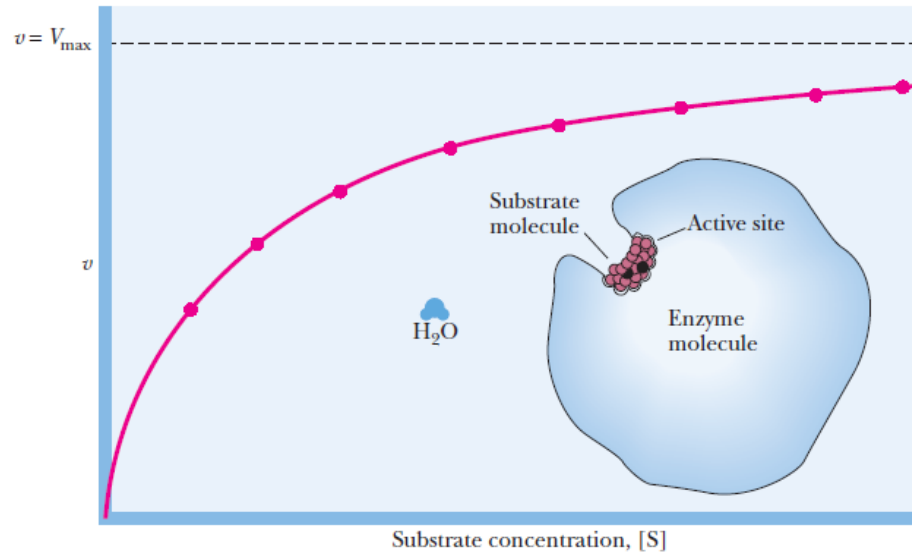
**Coenzyme:** Organic molecule cofactor. They are chemically changed in course of enzymatic reaction Eg., NADH



**TABLE 13.2** Enzyme Cofactors: Some Metal Ions and Coenzymes and the Enzymes with Which They Are Associated

Metal Ions and Some Enzymes That Require Them		Coenzymes Serving as Transient Carriers of Specific Atoms or Functional Groups		
Metal Ion	Enzyme	Coenzyme	Entity Transferred	Representative Enzymes Using Coenzymes
$\text{Fe}^{2+}$ or $\text{Fe}^{3+}$	Cytochrome oxidase	Thiamine pyrophosphate (TPP)	Aldehydes	Pyruvate dehydrogenase
	Catalase	Flavin adenine dinucleotide (FAD)	Hydrogen atoms	Succinate dehydrogenase
	Peroxidase	Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (NAD)	Hydride ion ( $:\text{H}^-$ )	Alcohol dehydrogenase
$\text{Cu}^{2+}$	Cytochrome oxidase			
$\text{Zn}^{2+}$	DNA polymerase	Coenzyme A (CoA)	Acyl groups	Acetyl-CoA carboxylase
	Carbonic anhydrase	Pyridoxal phosphate (PLP)	Amino groups	Aspartate aminotransferase
	Alcohol dehydrogenase			
$\text{Mg}^{2+}$	Hexokinase	5'-Deoxyadenosylcobalamin (vitamin $\text{B}_{12}$ )	H atoms and alkyl groups	Methylmalonyl-CoA mutase
	Glucose-6-phosphatase			
$\text{Mn}^{2+}$	Arginase	Biotin (biocytin)	$\text{CO}_2$	Propionyl-CoA carboxylase
$\text{K}^+$	Pyruvate kinase (also requires $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ )	Tetrahydrofolate (THF)	Other one-carbon groups, such as formyl and methyl groups	Thymidylate synthase
$\text{Ni}^{2+}$	Urease			
Mo	Nitrate reductase			
Se	Glutathione peroxidase			

# Enzyme kinetics



## Michaelis–Menten equation

$$v = \frac{V_{\max}[S]}{K_m + [S]}$$

$$k_2 = \frac{V_{\max}}{[E_T]} = k_{\text{cat}}$$

**TABLE 13.3**  $K_m$  Values for Some Enzymes

Enzyme	Substrate	$K_m$ (mM)
Carbonic anhydrase	$CO_2$	12
Chymotrypsin	<i>N</i> -Benzoyltyrosinamide	2.5
	Acetyl-L-tryptophanamide	5
	<i>N</i> -Formyltyrosinamide	12
	<i>N</i> -Acetyltyrosinamide	32
	Glycyltyrosinamide	122
Hexokinase	Glucose	0.15
	Fructose	1.5
$\beta$ -Galactosidase	Lactose	4

**TABLE 13.4** Values of  $k_{\text{cat}}$  (Turnover Number) for Some Enzymes

Enzyme	$k_{\text{cat}}$ (sec <sup>-1</sup> )
Catalase	40,000,000
Carbonic anhydrase	1,000,000
Acetylcholinesterase	14,000
Penicillinase	2,000
Lactate dehydrogenase	1,000
Chymotrypsin	100
DNA polymerase I	15
Lysozyme	0.5

# Catalytic efficiency of an Enzyme

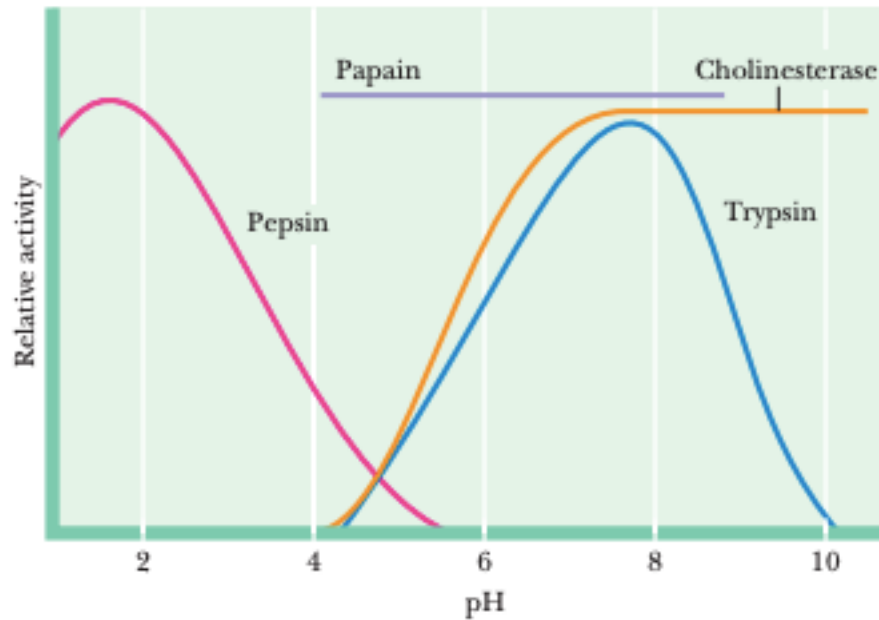
$$k_2 = \frac{V_{\max}}{[E_T]} = k_{\text{cat}}$$

TABLE 13.5		Enzymes Whose $k_{\text{cat}}/K_m$ Approaches the Diffusion-Controlled Rate of Association with Substrate		
Enzyme	Substrate	$k_{\text{cat}}$ ( $\text{sec}^{-1}$ )	$K_m$ ( $M$ )	$k_{\text{cat}}/K_m$ ( $M^{-1} \text{sec}^{-1}$ )
Acetylcholinesterase	Acetylcholine	$1.4 \times 10^4$	$9 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.6 \times 10^8$
Carbonic anhydrase	$\text{CO}_2$	$1 \times 10^6$	0.012	$8.3 \times 10^7$
	$\text{HCO}_3^-$	$4 \times 10^5$	0.026	$1.5 \times 10^7$
Catalase	$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$	$4 \times 10^7$	1.1	$4 \times 10^7$
Crotonase	Crotonyl-CoA	$5.7 \times 10^3$	$2 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.8 \times 10^8$
Fumarase	Fumarate	800	$5 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.6 \times 10^8$
	Malate	900	$2.5 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.6 \times 10^7$
Triosephosphate isomerase	Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate*	$4.3 \times 10^3$	$1.8 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.4 \times 10^8$
$\beta$ -Lactamase	Benzylpenicillin	$2 \times 10^3$	$2 \times 10^{-5}$	$1 \times 10^8$

\* $K_m$  for glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate is calculated on the basis that only 3.8% of the substrate in solution is unhydrated and therefore reactive with the enzyme.

Adapted from Fersht, A., 1985. *Enzyme Structure and Mechanism*, 2nd ed. New York: W. H. Freeman.

# Enzyme activity as function of pH

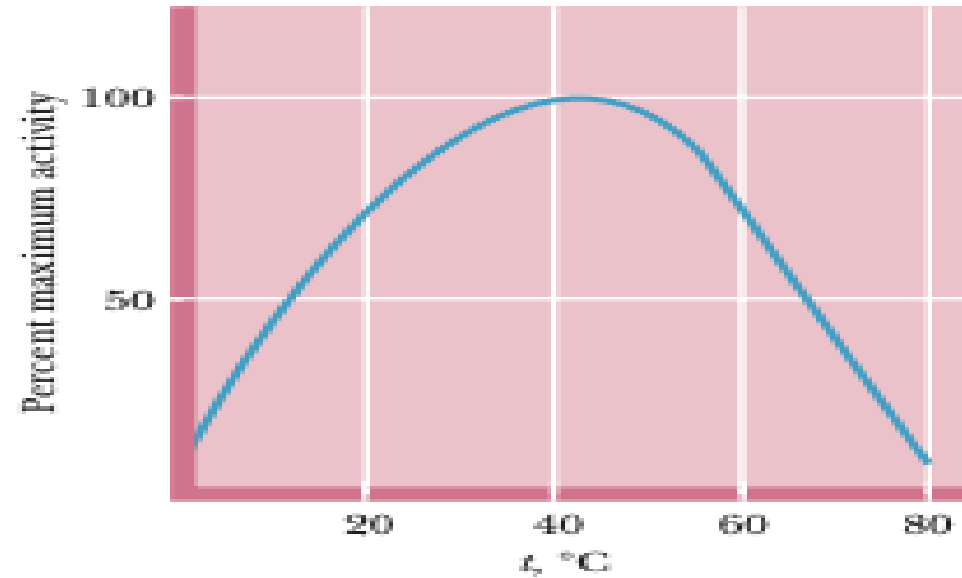


Optimum pH of Some Enzymes	
Enzyme	Optimum pH
Pepsin	1.5
Catalase	7.6
Trypsin	7.7
Fumarase	7.8
Ribonuclease	7.8
Arginase	9.7

A decrease in pH (more acidic) causes an increase in the concentration of hydrogen ions ( $H^+$ ) in solution, which can cause the ionization of acidic functional groups such as carboxyl groups ( $-COOH$ ) resulting in the formation of carboxylate groups ( $-COO^-$ ). This can cause the enzyme to lose its activity by altering its shape and function. Similarly, an increase in pH (more basic) can cause the ionization of basic functional groups such as amino groups ( $-NH_3^+$ ) and this can also affect the enzyme's activity.



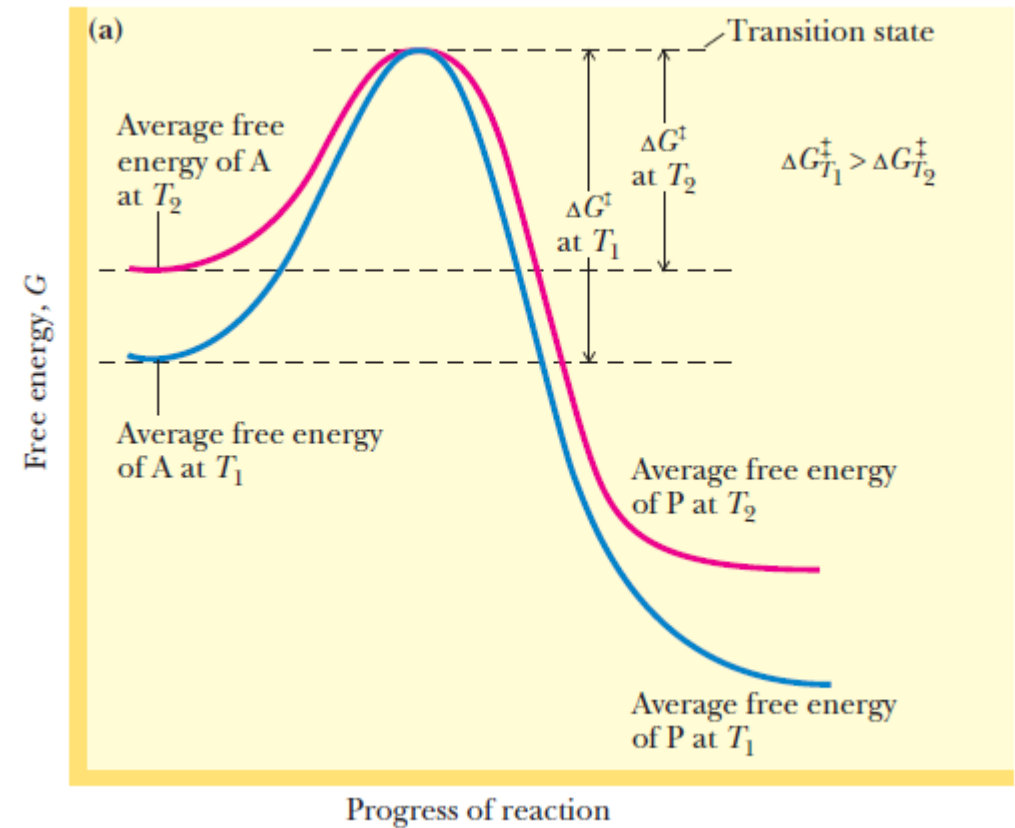
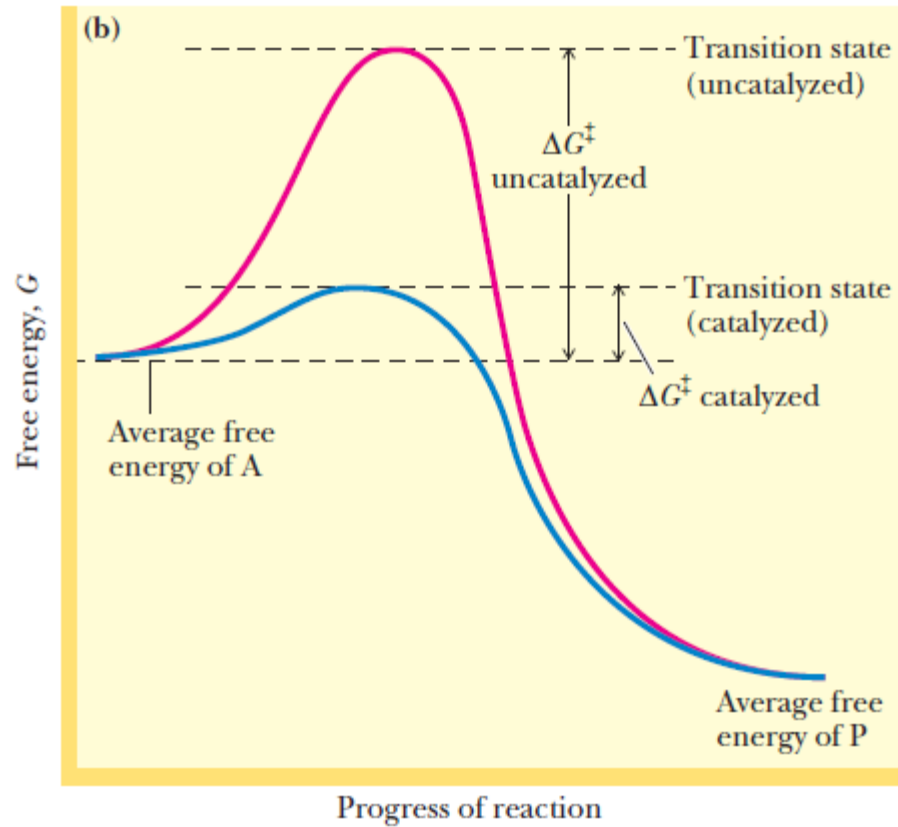
# Enzyme activity as function of temperature



**FIGURE 13.12** The effect of temperature on enzyme activity.

# Enzyme thermodynamics

Mechanism :Catalysts Lower the Free Energy of Activation for a Reaction



# Gibbs free energy

- Thermodynamics: changes in free energy, entropy, ...

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T \cdot \Delta S$$

$$\Delta G = (\Delta U + P \cdot \Delta V) - T \cdot \Delta S$$

- For nearly all biochemical reactions  $\Delta V$  is small and  $\Delta H$  is almost equal to  $\Delta U$

- Hence, we can write:

$$\Delta G = \Delta U - T \cdot \Delta S$$

If  $\Delta G$  is negative

Energy was released, products are simpler, greater entropy (2<sup>nd</sup> Law of Thermodynamics)

Exergonic / exothermic reaction (spontaneous)

If  $\Delta G$  is positive

Energy input, product more complex, energy needed to go against 2<sup>nd</sup> Law

Endergonic / endothermic (non-spontaneous)

## The **Enthalpic** term

- Changes in bonding
- van der Waals
- Hydrogen bonding
- Charge interactions

## The **Entropic** term

- Changes the arrangement of the solvent or counterions
- Reflects the degrees of freedom
- Rotational & Translational changes

# Protein folding

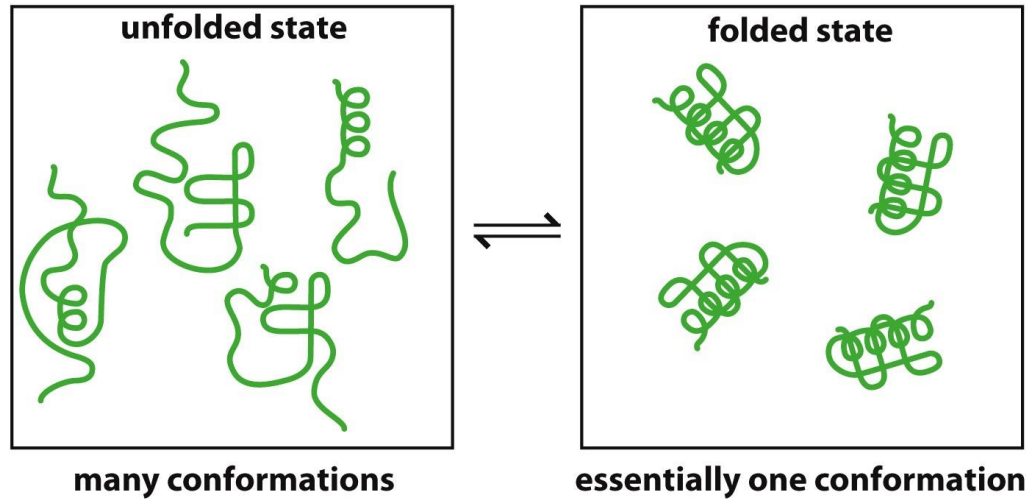


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Protein folding is a spontaneous process?

$\Delta G < 0$  ???

Protein folding



$$K_{\text{folding}} = \frac{(F)}{(U)} = \frac{1}{K_{\text{unfolding}}}$$

$$\Delta G_{\text{unfolding}}^{\circ} = \Delta H^{\circ} - T \Delta S^{\circ}$$

# Enthalpy change in protein folding

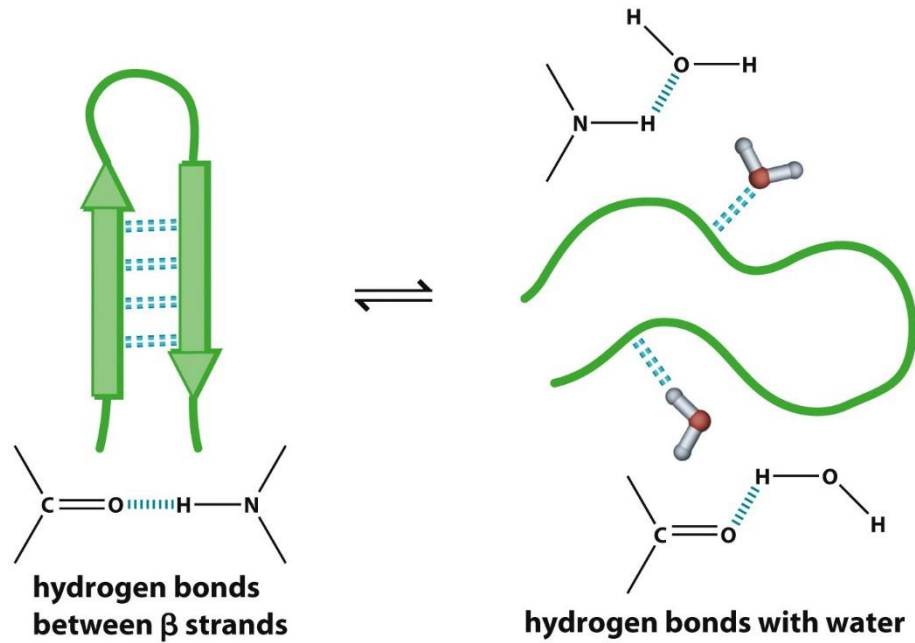


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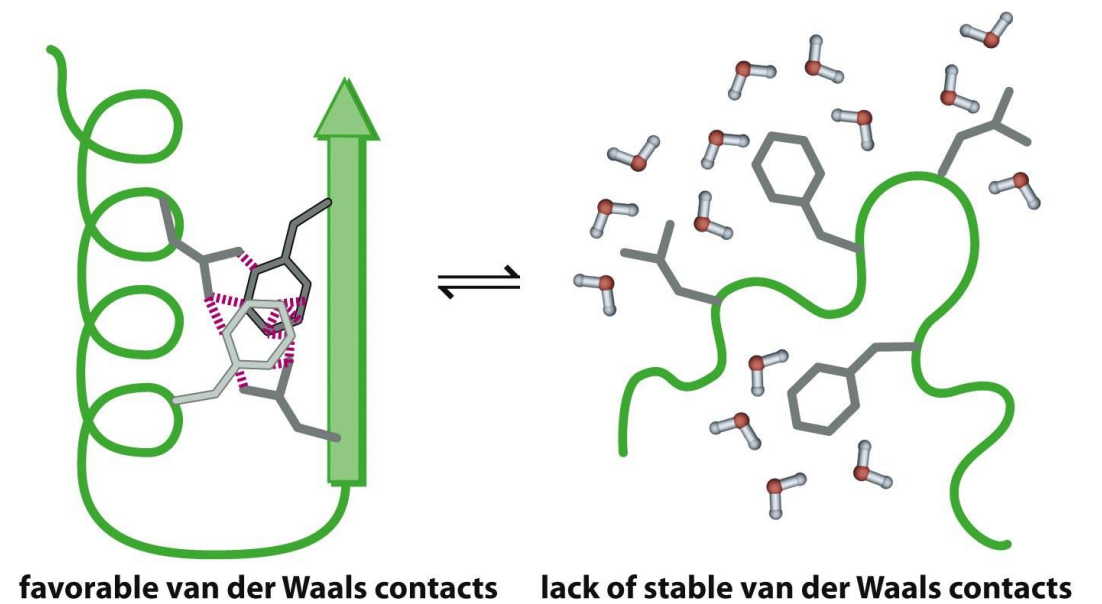


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# Entropy change in protein folding

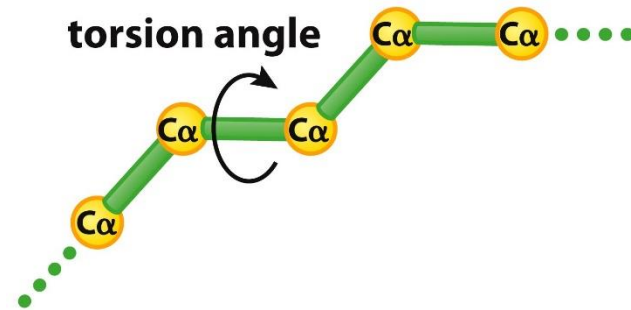


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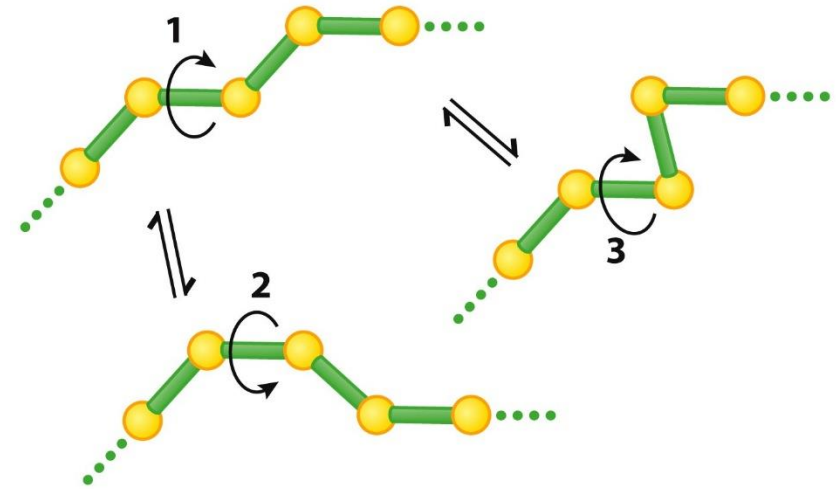


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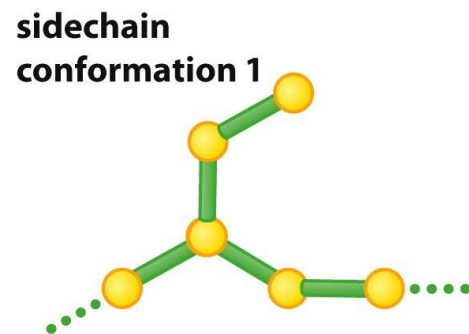
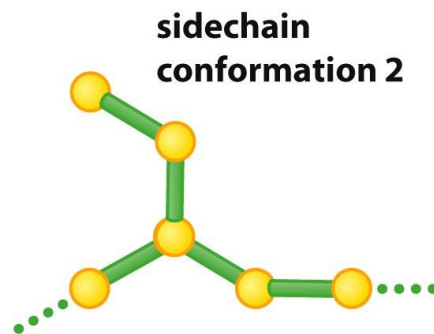
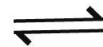


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# Entropy contribution from water

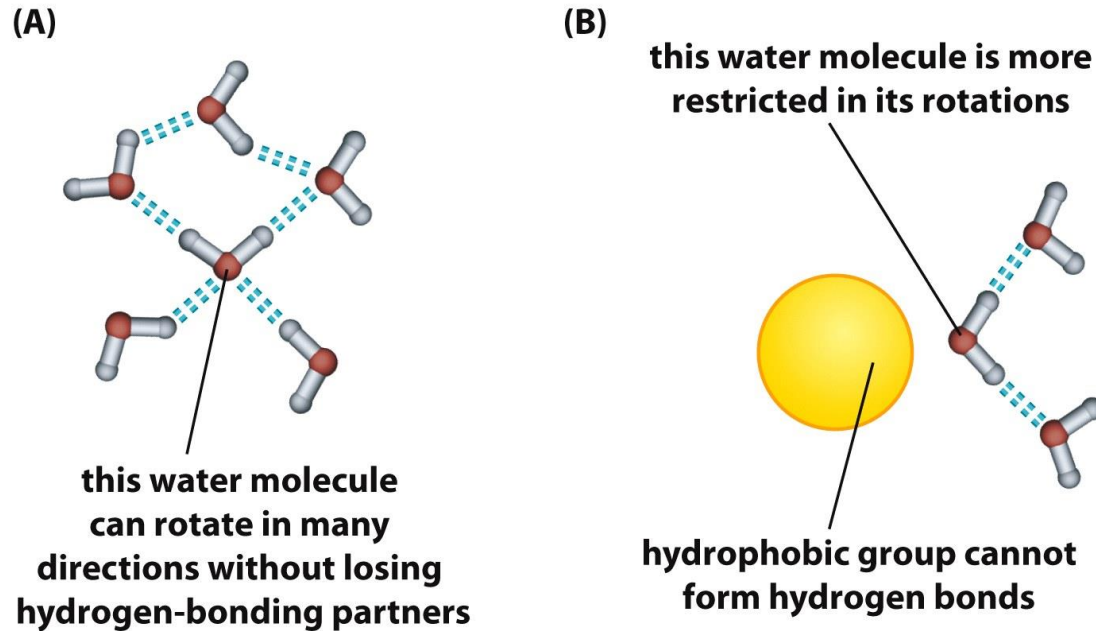


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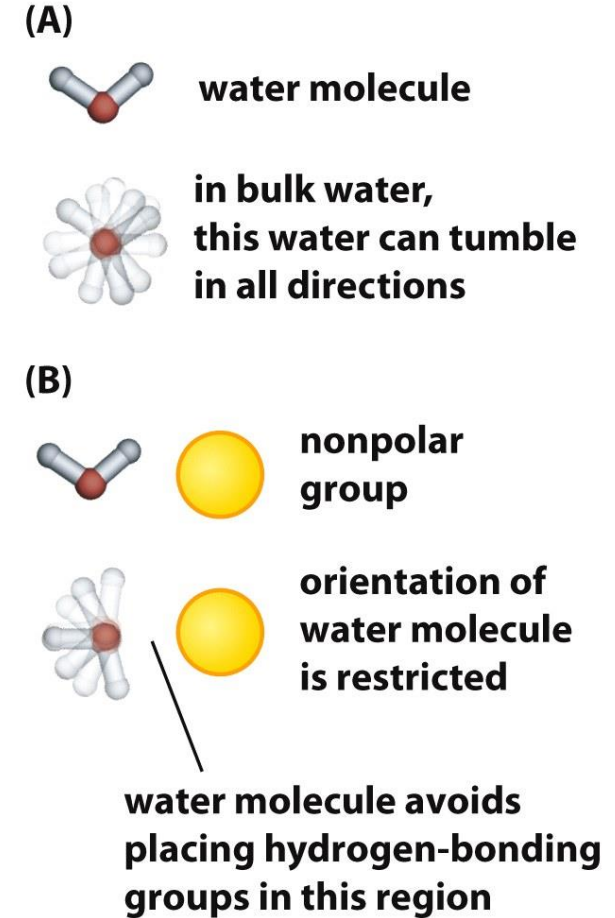


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# Protein folding

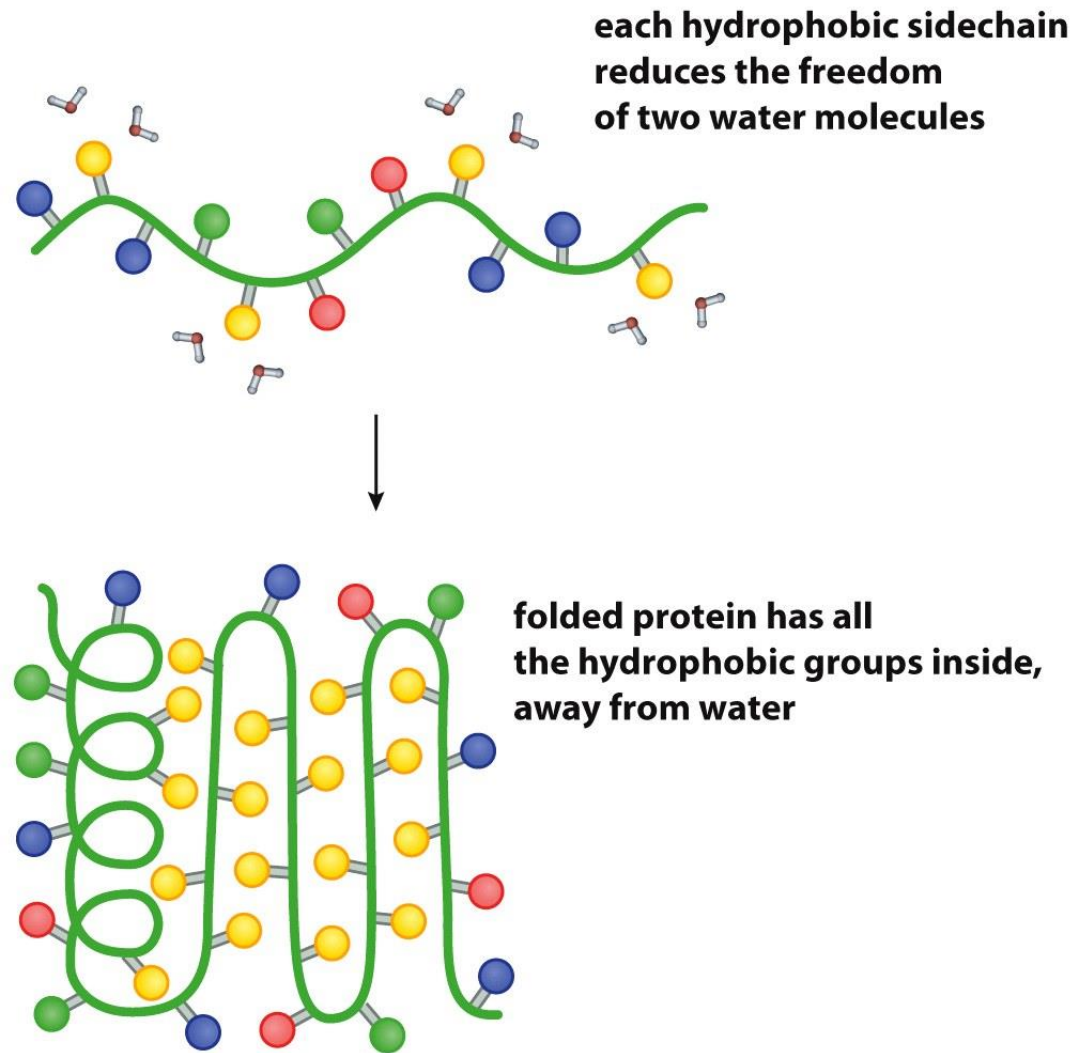
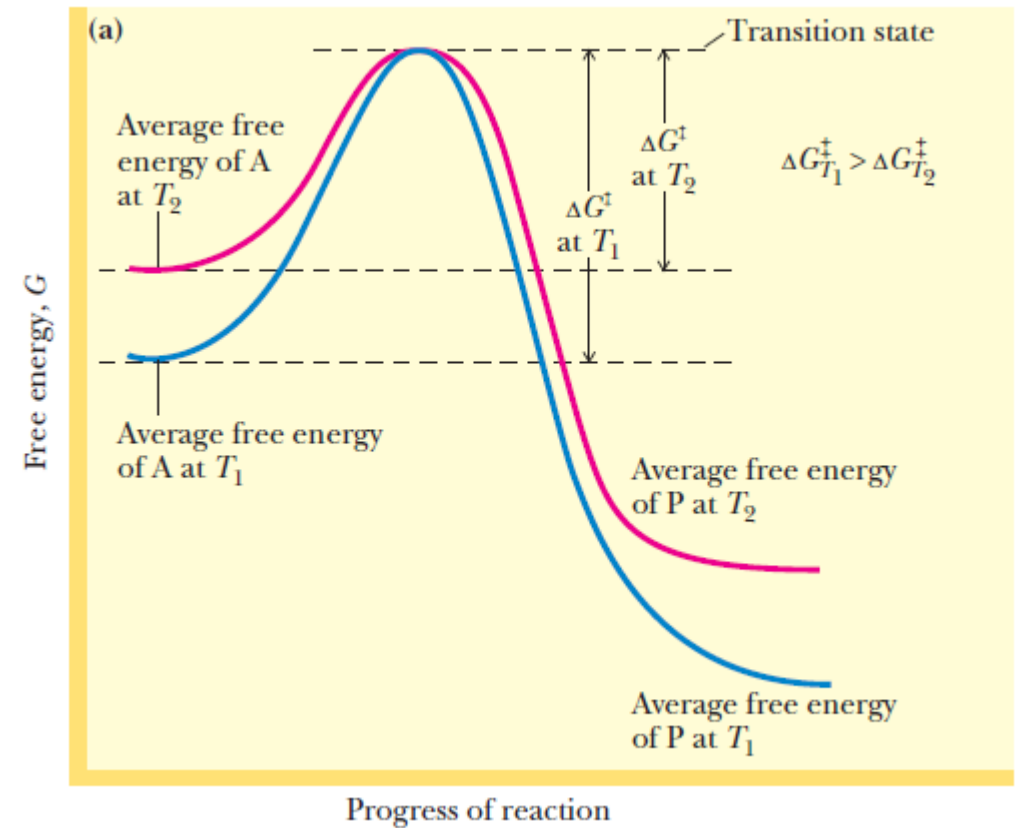
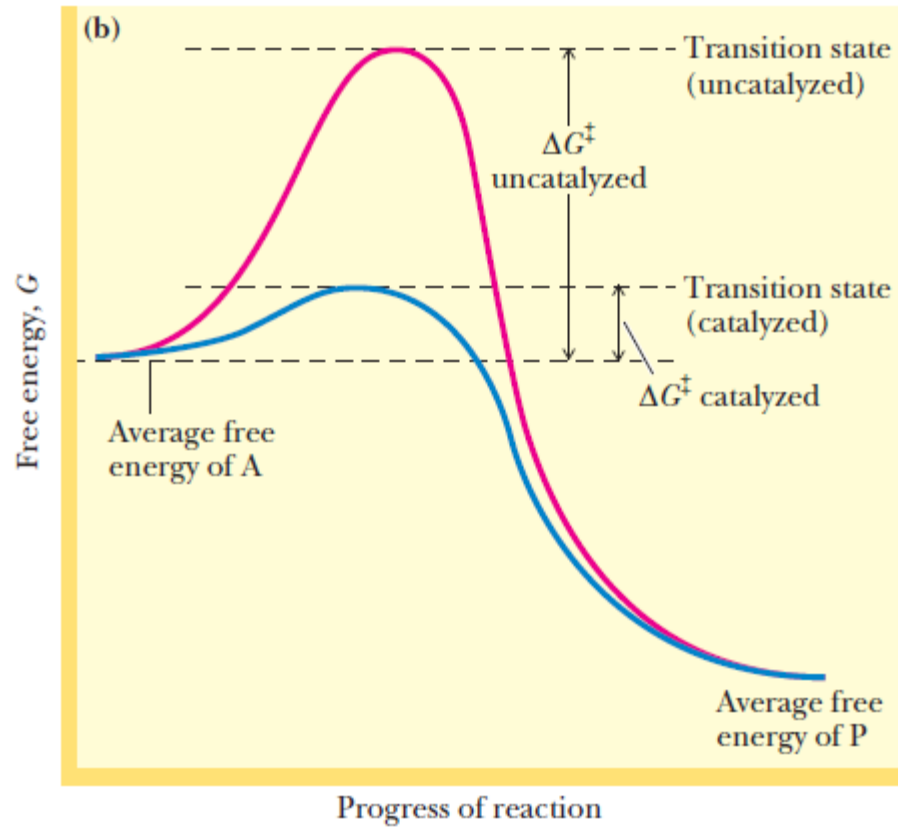


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# Enzyme mechanism

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