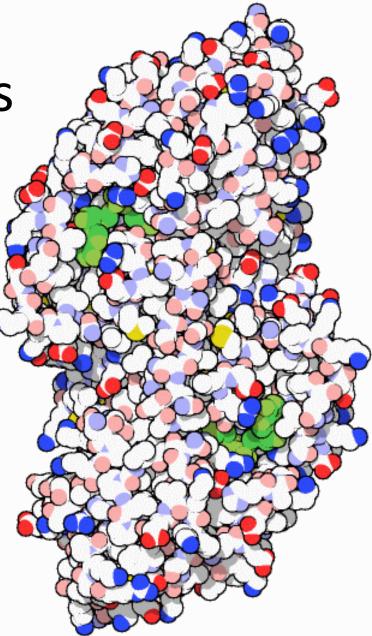
Metabolism & Enzymes



Alcohol Dehydrogenase

Some chemical reactions <u>release energy</u>

– <u>exothermic (exergonic)</u>

 Some chemical reactions require input of energy

– <u>Endothermic (endergonic)</u>

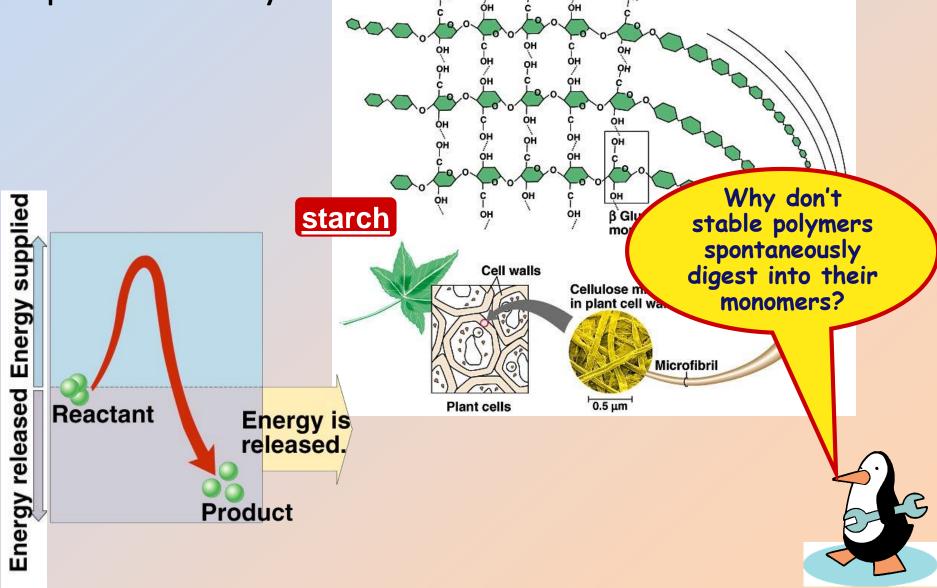
building molecules= MORE organization= higher energy

digesting molecules=

LESS organization=

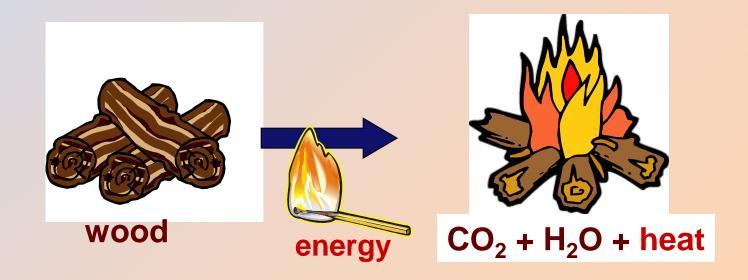
lower energy

Why don't exergonic reactions just happen spontaneously?



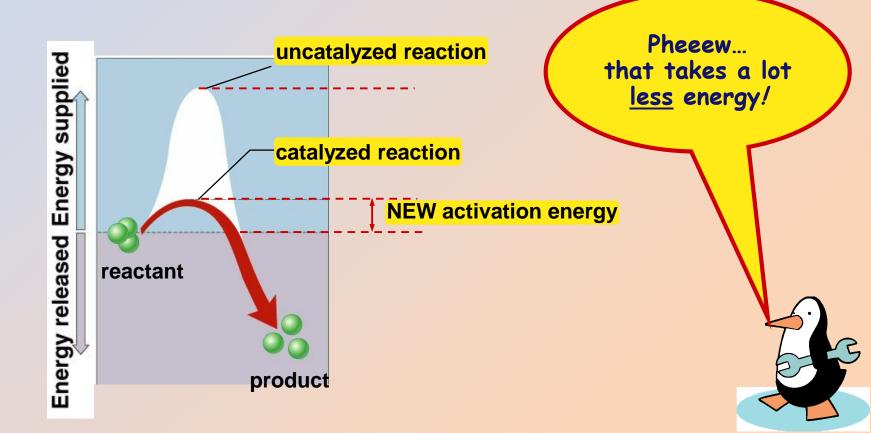
Activation energy

 Breaking down large molecules requires an initial input of energy to break bonds and start the reaction



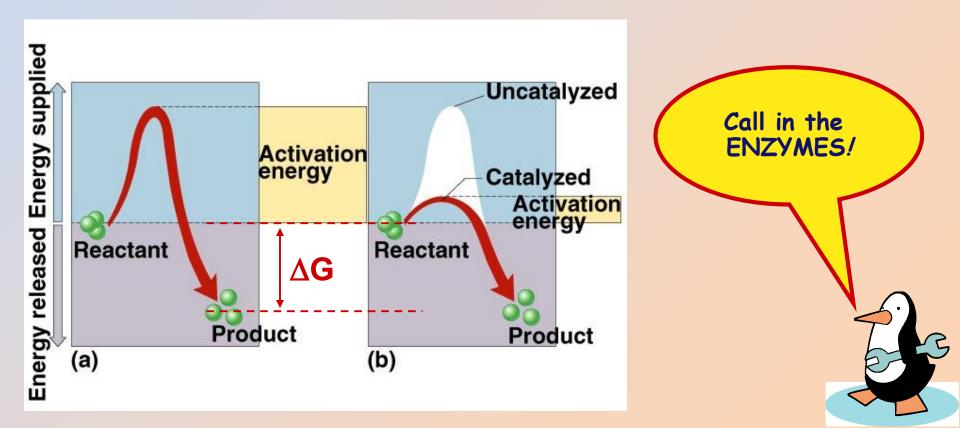
Enzymes Reduce Activation energy

- <u>Catalysts</u>
 - reducing the amount of energy to start a reaction



Catalysts = Enzymes

 What a cell has to do to reduce activation energy



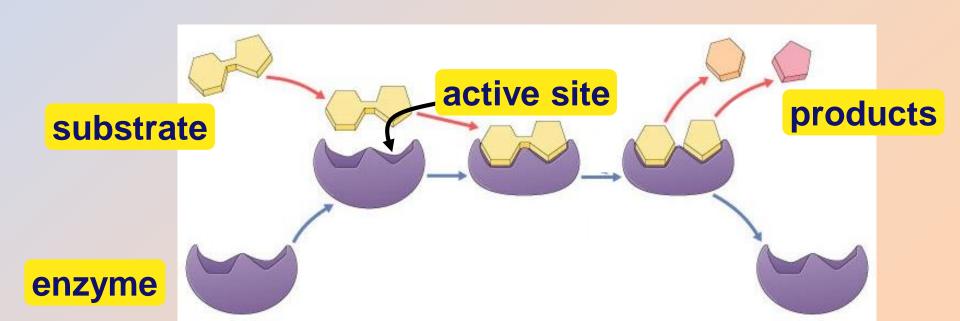
Properties of enzymes

- <u>Reaction specific</u>
 - each enzyme works with a specific substrate
- Not consumed in reaction
 - single enzyme molecule can catalyze thousands or more reactions per second
- Affected by cellular conditions
 - any condition that affects protein structure
 - temperature, pH, salinity
- Made of protein (or sometimes RNA)

Enzyme vocabulary

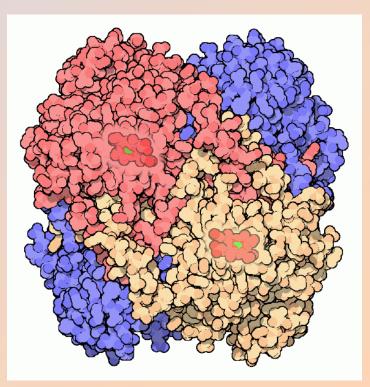
<u>substrate</u>

- reactant which binds to enzyme
- active site
 - Where substrate fits into active site

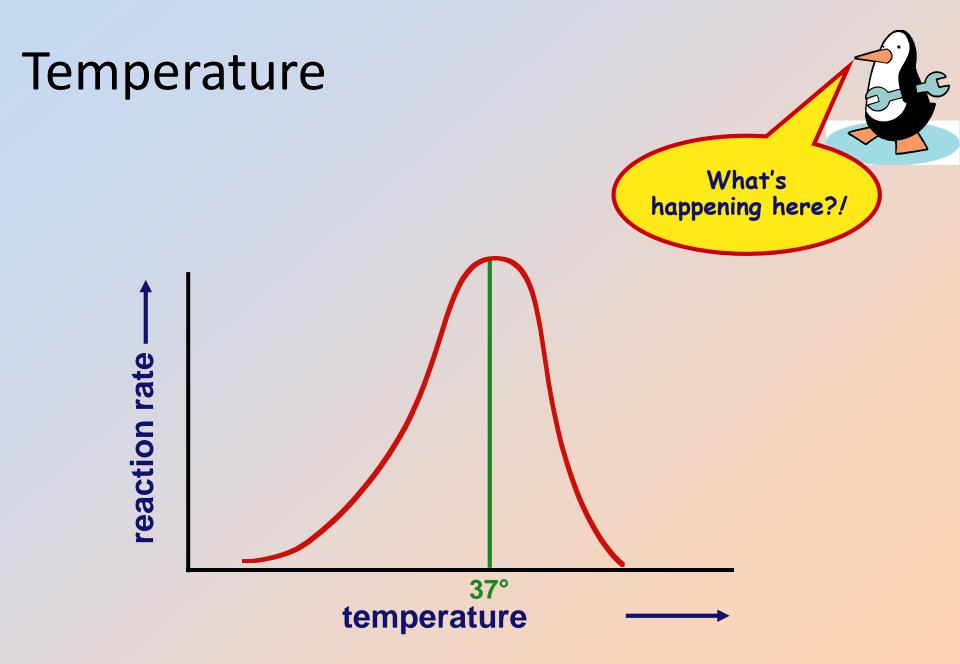


Factors Affecting Enzyme Function

- Enzyme concentration
- Substrate concentration
- Temperature
- pH
- Salinity
- Activators
- Inhibitors







Factors affecting enzyme function

- Temperature
 - <u>Optimum T</u>

greatest number of molecular collisions

human enzymes = $35^{\circ} - 40^{\circ}$ C

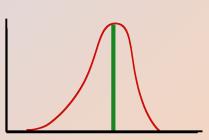
 $-body temp = 37^{\circ} C$

Heat: increase beyond optimum T°

increased energy level of molecules disrupts bonds in enzyme & between enzyme & substrate

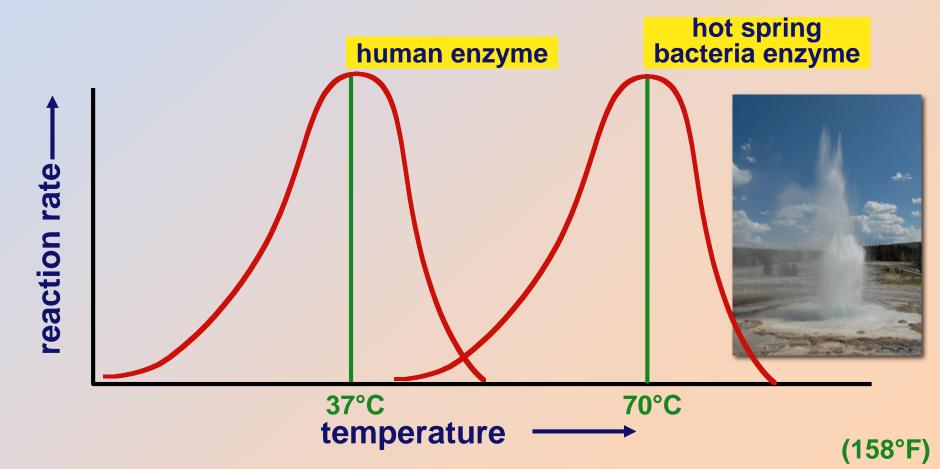
<u>denaturation</u> = lose 3D shape (3° structure)

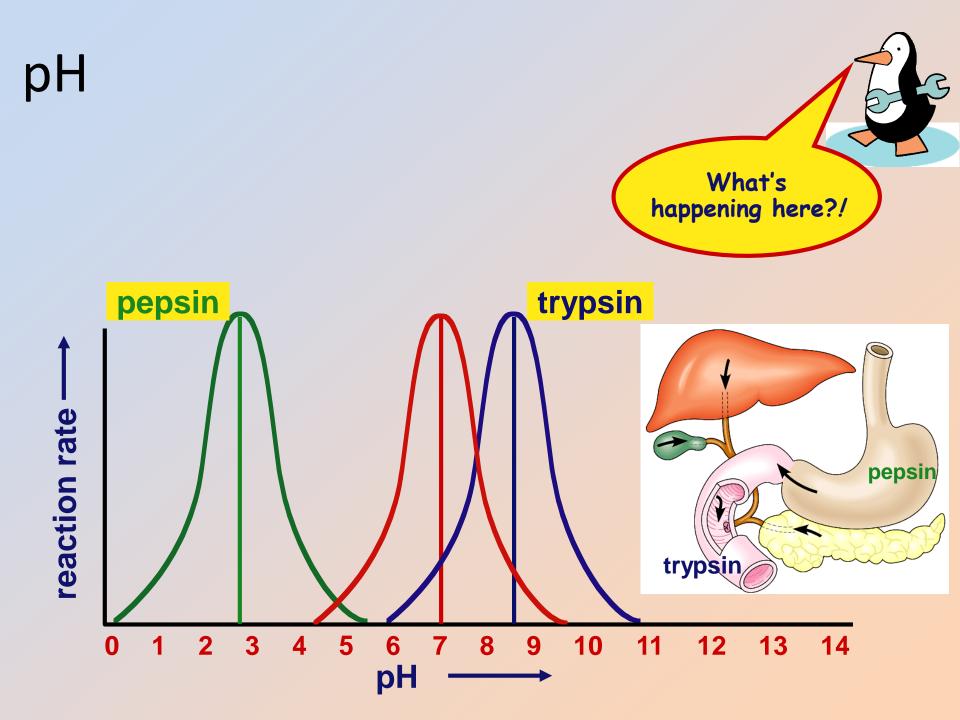
- <u>Cold: decrease T°</u>
 - molecules move <u>slower</u>
 - decrease collisions between enzyme & substrate



Enzymes and temperature

• Different enzymes function in different organisms in different environments





Factors affecting enzyme function

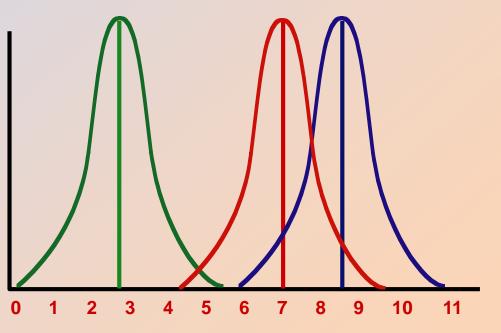
• pH

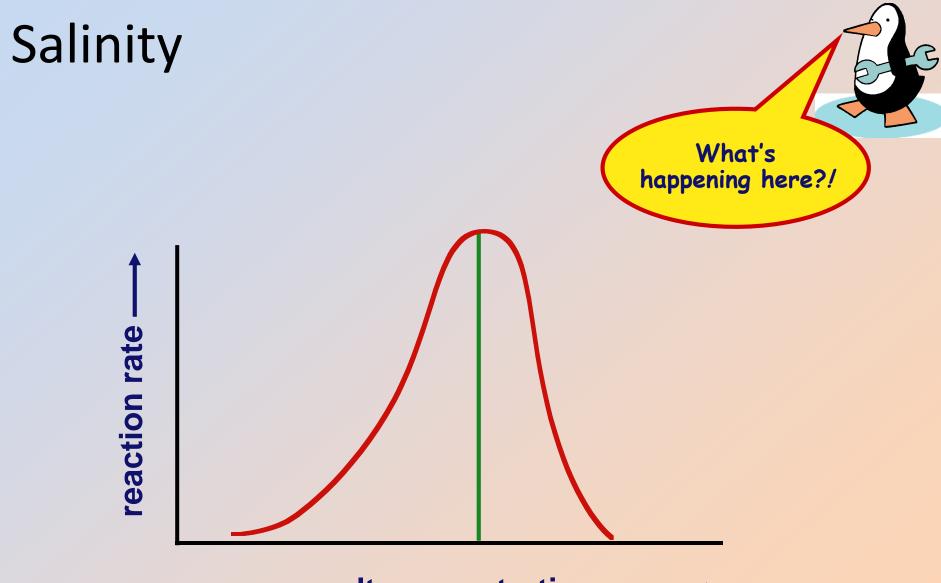
– adds or remove H⁺, disrupts 3D shape

denatures protein

pepsin (stomach) = pH 2-3

trypsin (small intestines) = pH 8



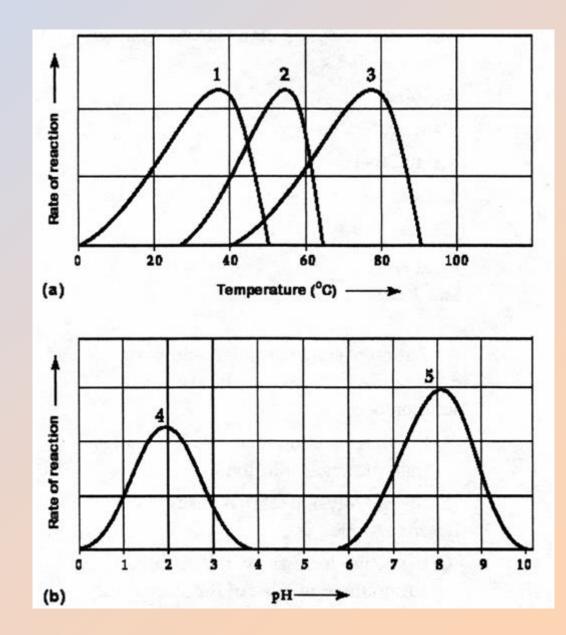


salt concentration

Got any Questions?!

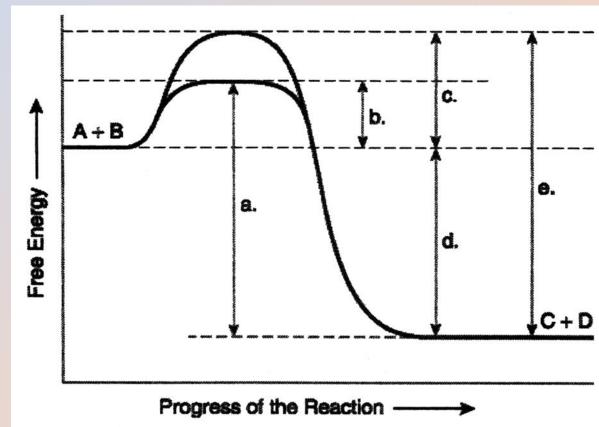
Review Questions

- Which curve was generated using an enzyme taken from a bacterium that lives in hot springs at temperatures of 70°C or higher?
 - A. curve 1
 - B. curve 2
 - C. curve 3
 - D. curve 4
 - E. curve 5



3. Which of the following represents the ΔG of the reaction?

A. a
B. b
C. c
D. d
E. e



4. Which of the following would be the same in an enzyme-catalyzed or -uncatalyzed reaction?

