

Chem 391 in a Nutshell

Goals for the semester:

1. Tools to measure structure (spectroscopy)
How they work (a little) and what they measure (a lot)
2. Organizing principles to describe structure
Just like words for different colors can help organize visual world
3. Tools to measure function
Equilibrium can be measured by K, reaction rates measured by k
4. Organizing principles to link function to structure: thermodynamics
Think consistently about contributions of ΔH and ΔS to spontaneity (ΔG).

Powers of 10

K	ΔG° (kcal/mol)	ΔG° (kJ/mol)
10^{-10}	+14	+57
0.001	+4.2	+17.1
0.01	+2.8	+11.4
0.1	+1.4	+5.7
1	0	0
10	-1.4	-5.7
100	-2.8	-11.4
1000	-4.2	-17.1
10^{10}	-14	-57

Covalent Bonding

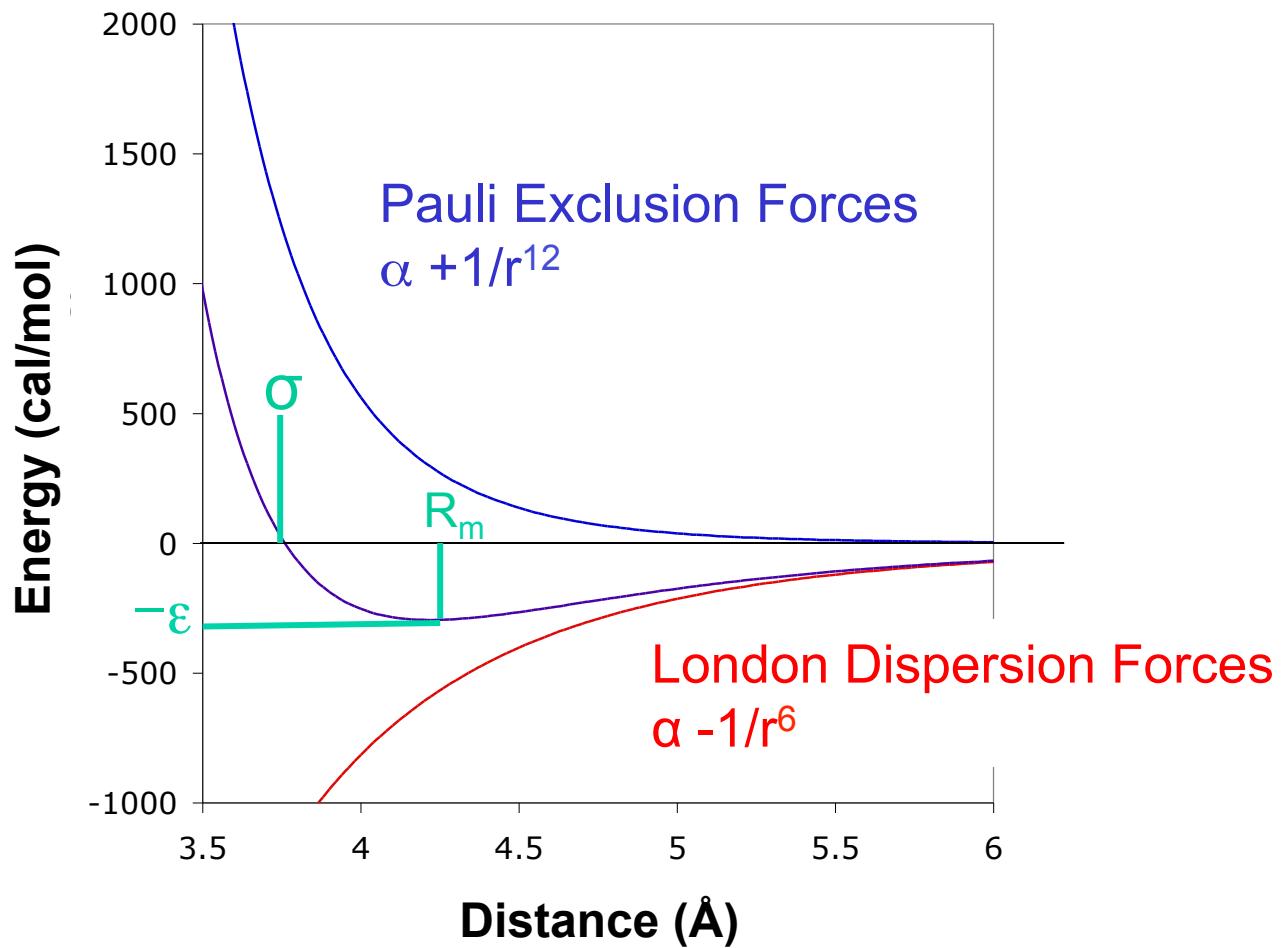
C-C	83 kcal/mol	1.54 Å
C=C	147 kcal/mol	1.34 Å
C-O	86 kcal/mol	1.43 Å
C=O	127 kcal/mol	1.20 Å
C-H	99 kcal/mol	1.09 Å
O-H	111 kcal/mol	0.96 Å
N≡N	227 kcal/mol	1.10 Å

Some Intermolecular Interactions

	ΔH (kcal/mol)	dist. (Å)
$\text{CH}_4 \cdot \text{CH}_4$	0.3	3.5
$\text{SiH}_4 \cdot \text{SiH}_4$	0.6	4.2
$\text{H}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{CH}_4$	0.9	3.5
$\text{HF} \cdot \text{HF}$	2.9	2.7
$\text{HCl} \cdot \text{HCl}$	1.2	3.8

Lennard-Jones Potential

$$E = 4\epsilon \left[\left(\frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^{12} - \left(\frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^6 \right]$$



van der Waals Interactions

Atom	α Polarizability (\AA^3)	vdW Radius (\AA)	vdW Contact Distance (\AA)	Min. Contact Energy (kcal/mol)
H	0.7	1.20	1.50	0.02
O	0.8	1.40	1.60	0.21 (hydroxyl)
N	1.1	1.55	1.70	0.17 (amide)
C	1.8	1.70	1.80	0.11 (sp^3)
S	2.9	1.80	2.00	0.25 (thioether)

Hydrogen Bonding

(distance measured between heavy atoms)

Bond	Mean Distance (Å)	Range (Å)
N-H...N	3.10	2.88-3.38
N-H...O		
Amide NH	2.93	2.55-3.04
Amino NH	3.04	2.57-3.22
O-H...N	2.80	2.62-2.93
O-H...O		
Alcohol OH	2.74	2.55-2.96
Water OH	2.80	2.65-2.93

H-bonding in Water

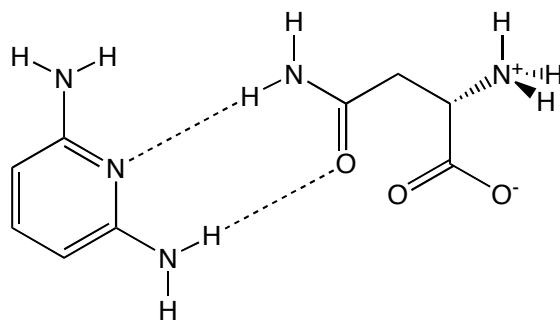
TABLE I

THERMODYNAMICS OF INTERAMIDE HYDROGEN BOND FORMATION BY N-METHYLACETAMIDE AT 25°

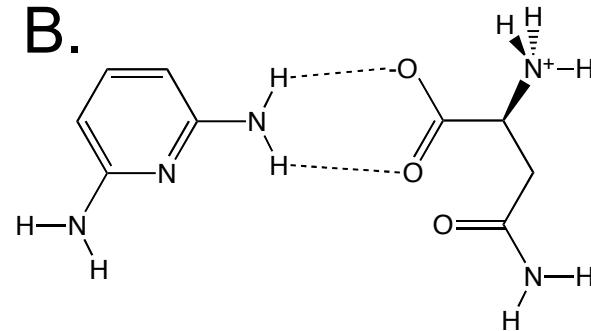
Solvent	Association constant for dimerization, k_2	ΔF° , kcal.	ΔH° , kcal.	ΔS° , gibbs
Carbon				
tetrachloride	4.7 (5.8)	-0.92	-4.2	-11
Dioxane	0.52 (0.58)	0.39	-0.8	-4
Water	0.005 (0.005)	3.1	0.0	-10

Which of these H-bonding Schemes is Satisfactory?

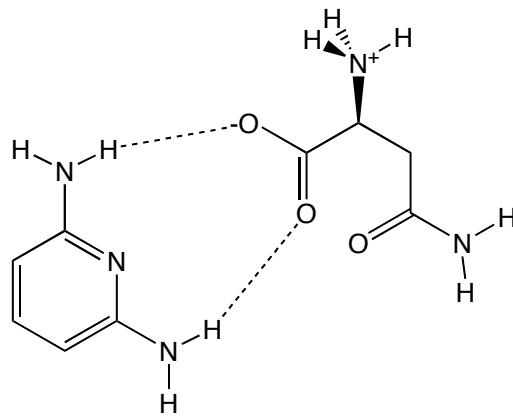
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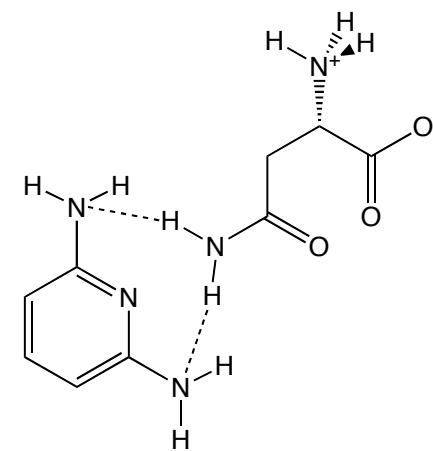
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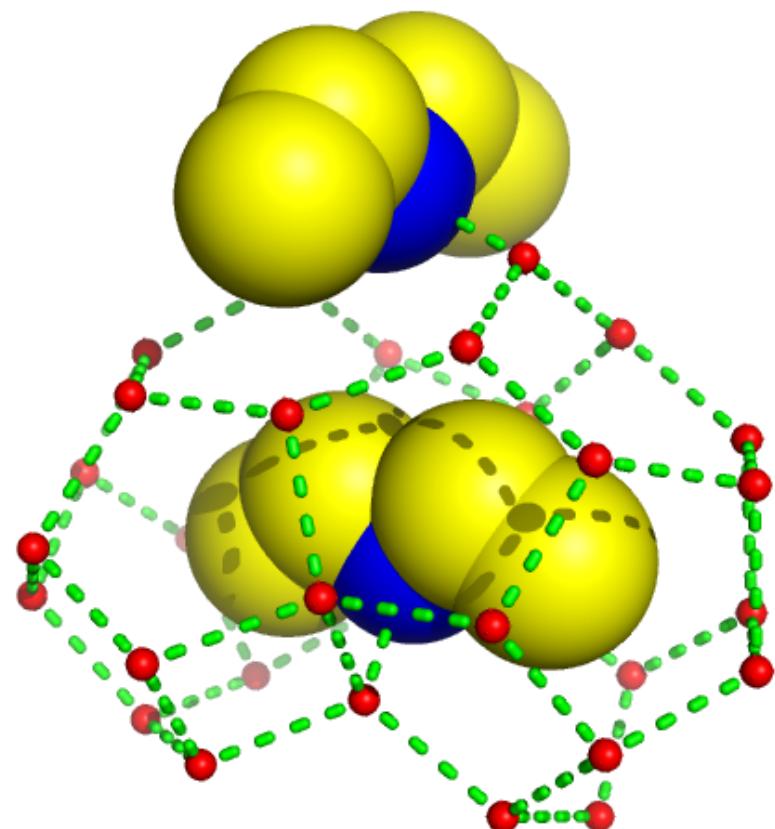
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Thermodynamics of methane dissolving in H₂O and CCl₄

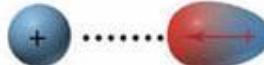
Transfer	ΔG° (kcal/mol)	ΔH° (kcal/mol)	ΔS° (cal/mol·K)
CH _{4(g)} → CH _{4(H2O)}	+6.3	-3.2	-32
CH _{4(g)} → CH _{4(CCl4)}	+3.5	-0.5	-14
CH _{4(CCl4)} → CH _{4(H2O)}	+2.8	-2.7	-18

Diethylamine Hydrate (Clathrate)



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Electrostatic Forces

Nonbonding (Intermolecular)		E (kJ/mol)	
Ion-dipole		40–600	$\text{Na}^+ \cdots \text{O}-\text{H}$
H bond	 $-\text{A}-\text{H} \cdots \text{:B}-$	10–40	$\text{:}\ddot{\text{O}}-\text{H} \cdots \text{:}\ddot{\text{O}}-\text{H}$
Dipole-dipole		5–25	$\text{I}-\text{Cl} \cdots \text{I}-\text{Cl}$
Ion-induced dipole		3–15	$\text{Fe}^{2+} \cdots \text{O}_2$
Dipole-induced dipole		2–10	$\text{H}-\text{Cl} \cdots \text{Cl}-\text{Cl}$
Dispersion (London)		0.05–40	$\text{F}-\text{F} \cdots \text{F}-\text{F}$