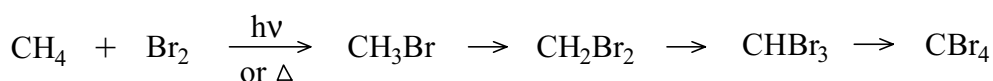
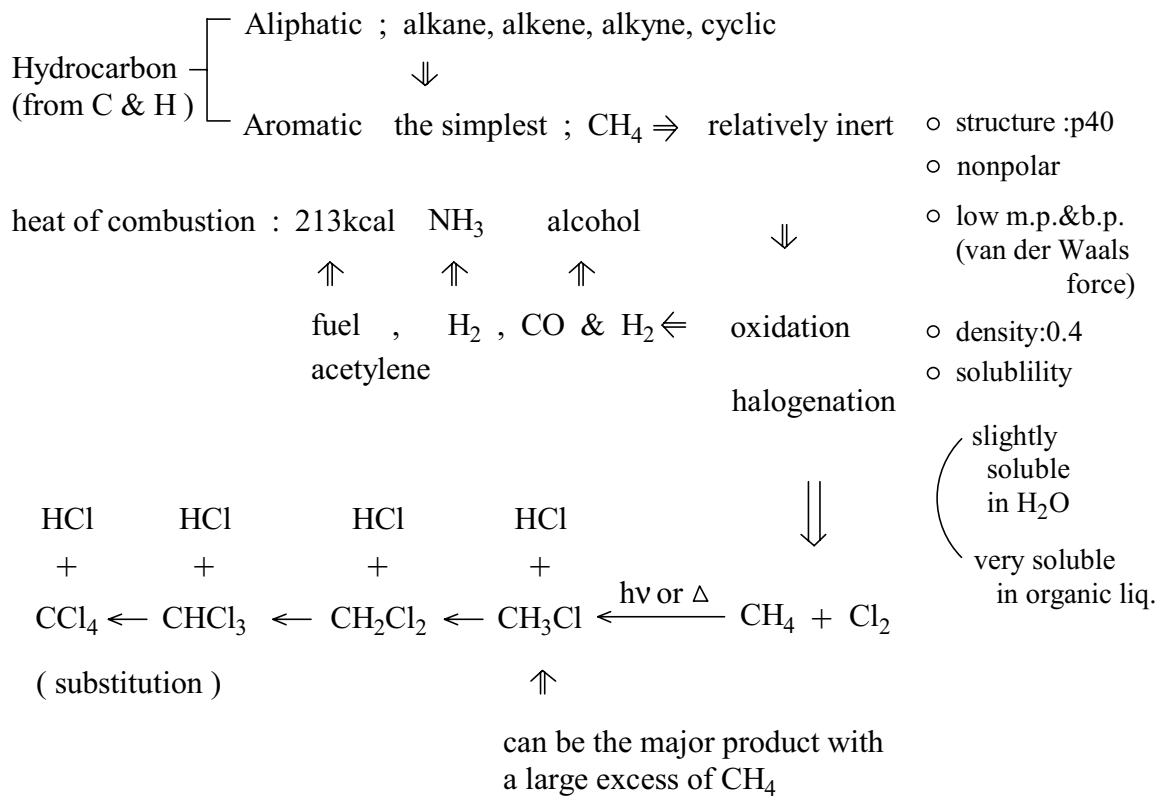


Chapter 2



reactivity for halogenation $\text{F}_2 > \text{Cl}_2 > \text{Br}_2 > \text{I}_2$

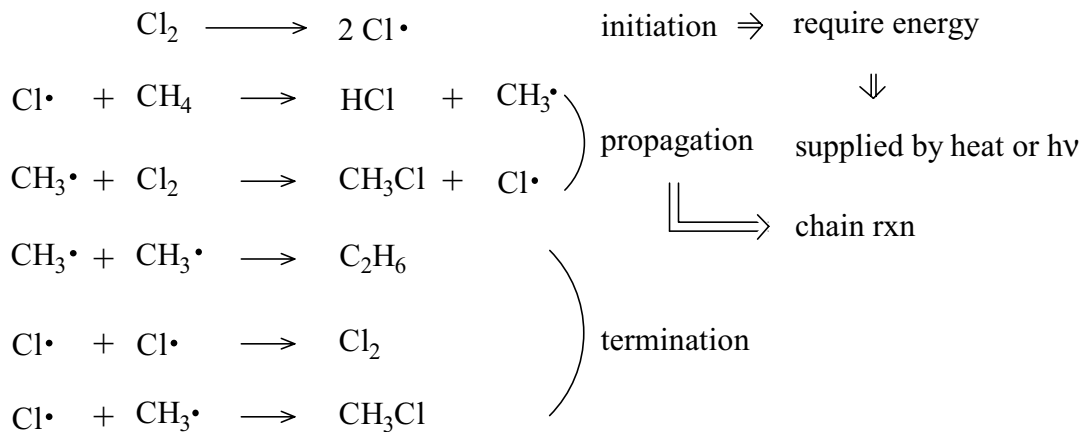
Rxn mechanism ; the detailed step-by-step description of a chemical rxn
difficult to prove

explain many results, offer good predictions and
have consistency \Rightarrow well established

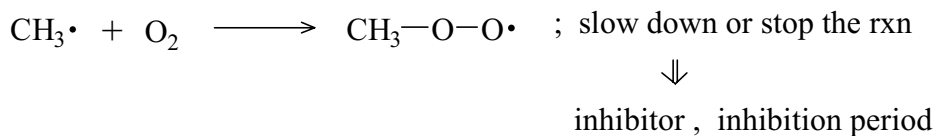
From rxn mechanisms \Rightarrow easily understand the complicated rxns.
improve the yield.
change the rxn courses to get the desired products.

For halogenation, the mechanism should explain

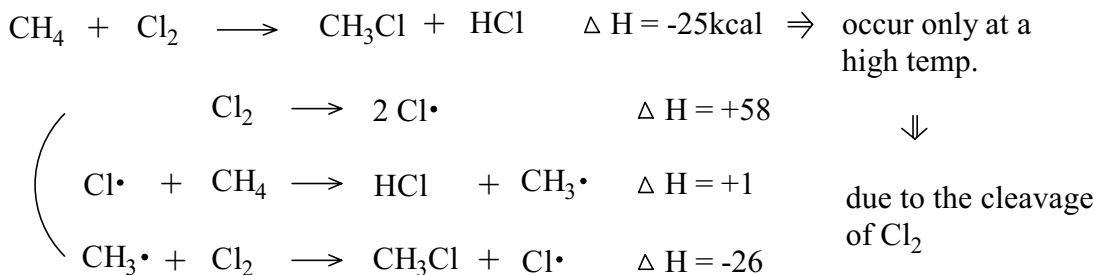
- 1) no rxn in the dark at RT
- 2) rxn over 250°C or under UV at RT
- 3) λ to induce chlorination = λ to dissociate Cl_2
- 4) O_2 slows down the rxn
- 5) one photon produces many CH_3Cl molecules

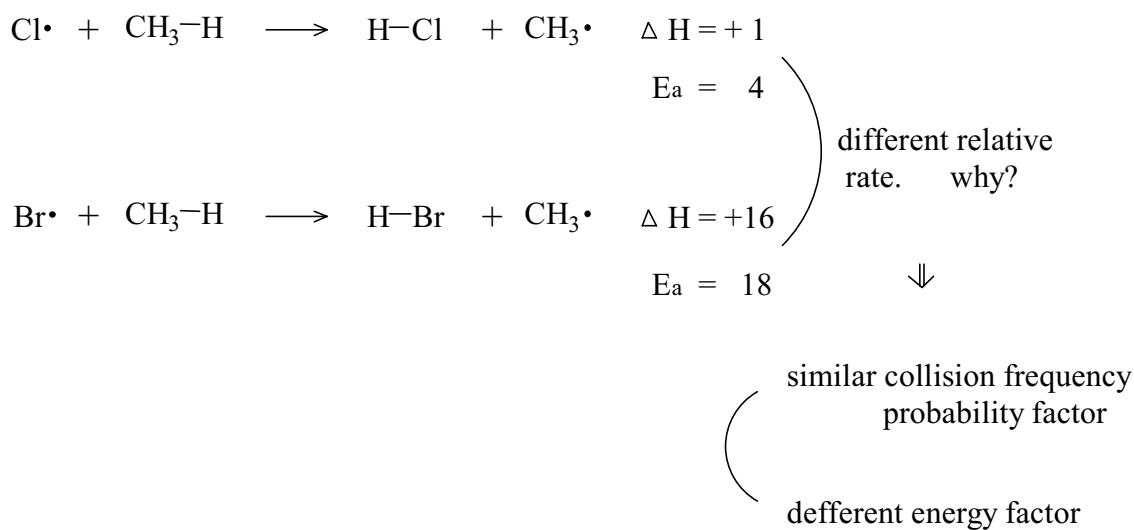


free radical ; unpaired odd electron, very reactive

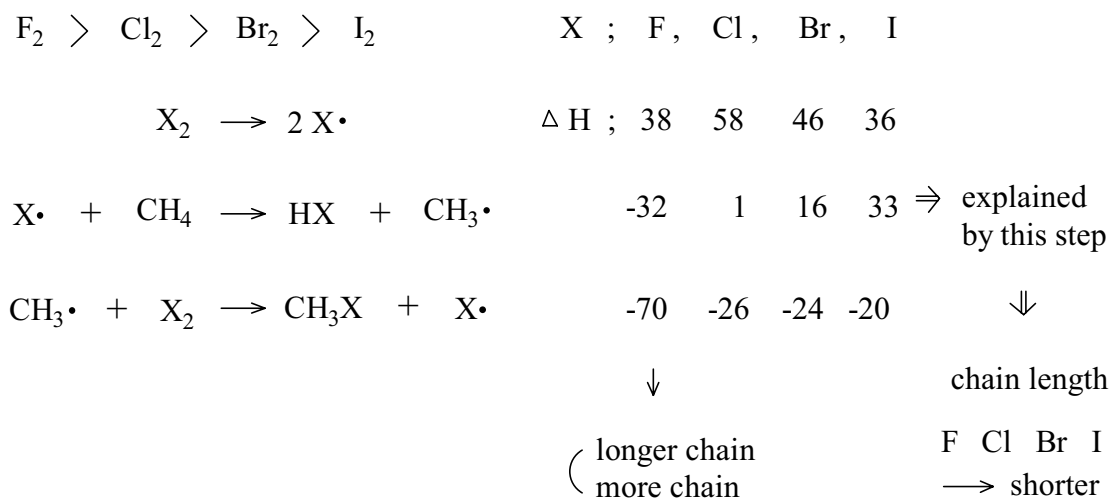


(exothermic rxn ; readily occur
 endothermic rxn ; not readily occur

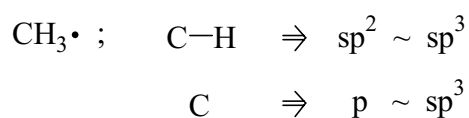
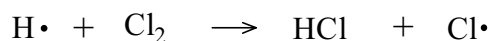
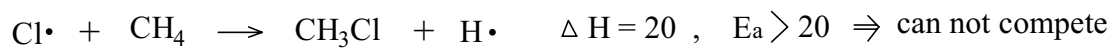


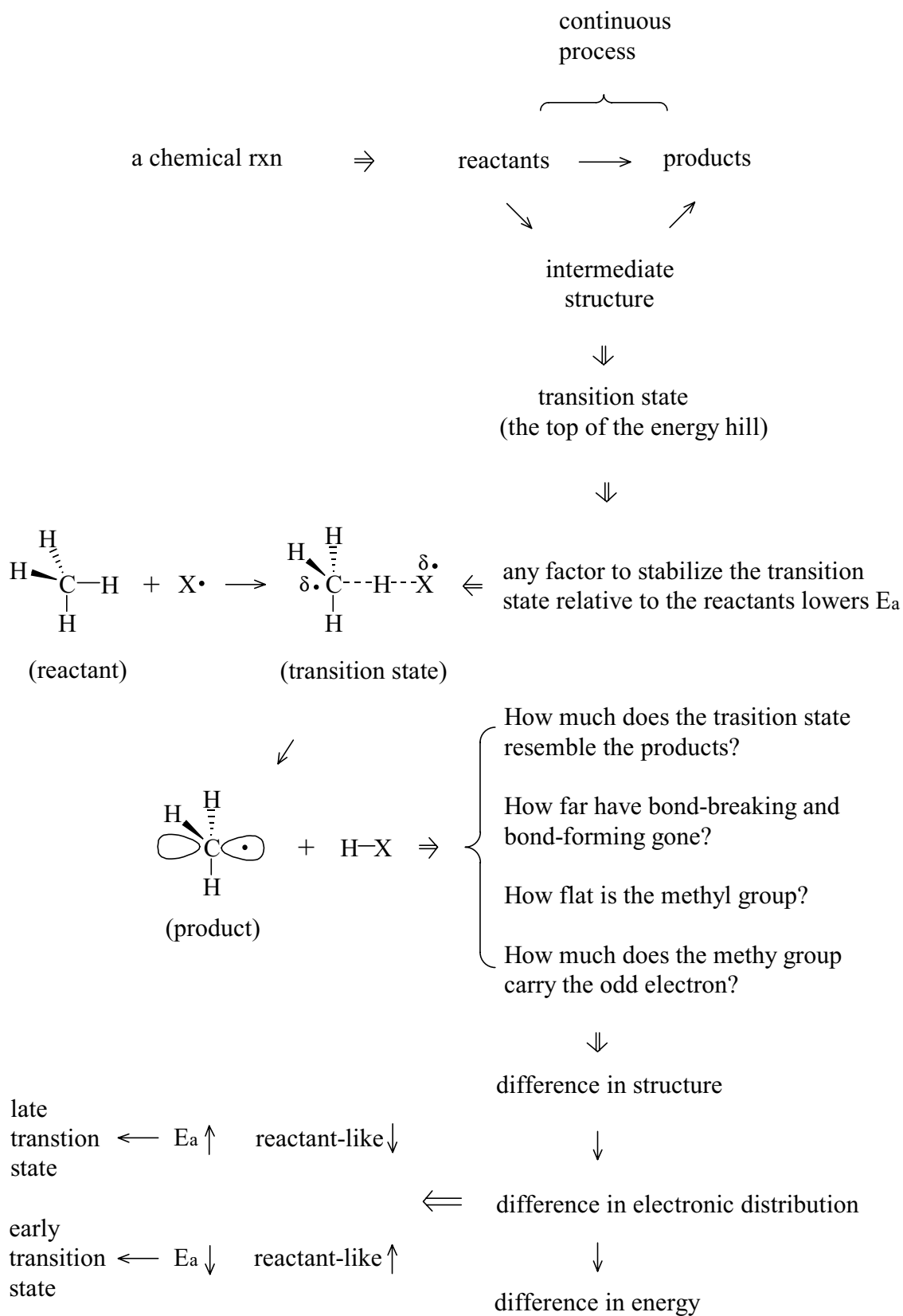


the order of reactivity



alternative mechnism





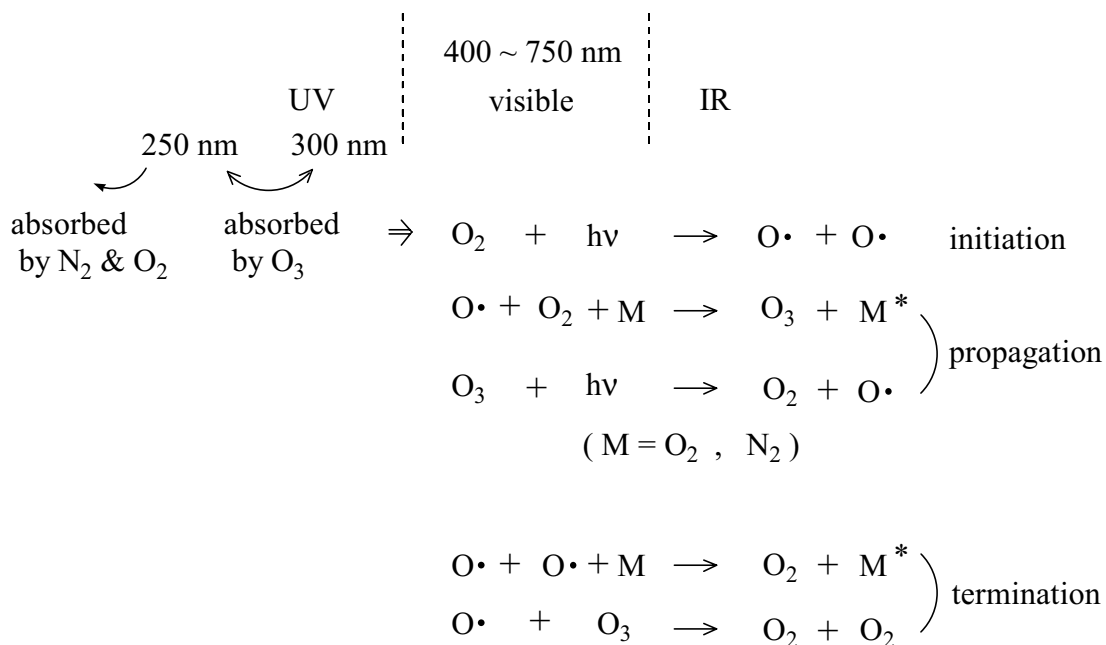


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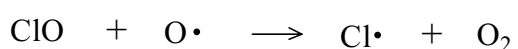
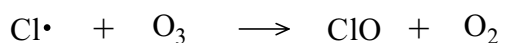
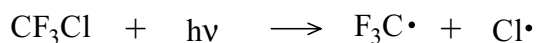
highly reactive reagents ; early transition state, reactant-like transition state

poorly reactive reagents ; late transition state, product-like transition state

Molecular formula \Rightarrow $\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{qualitative elementary analysis} \\ \text{quantitative elementary analysis} \\ \text{molecular weight determination} \end{array} \right)$ ⇓
Fig 2.12



CFC : CF_3Cl , CFCl_2 etc



break the ozone-producing chain