

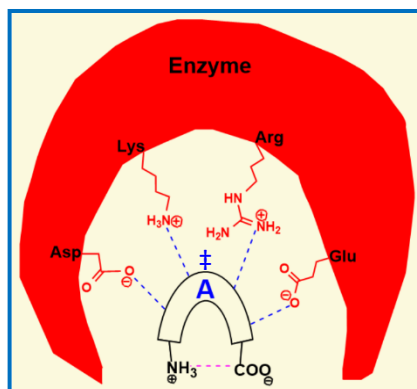
CONCEPT: ELECTROSTATIC & METAL ION CATALYSIS

2) Electrostatic Catalysis

● Enzyme *directly* stabilizes charges in the transition state (\ddagger) by forming _____, *noncovalent* interactions.

□ Specific amino acids positioned in the active site _____ form electrostatic bonds with the \ddagger .

EXAMPLE: Electrostatic Catalysis.

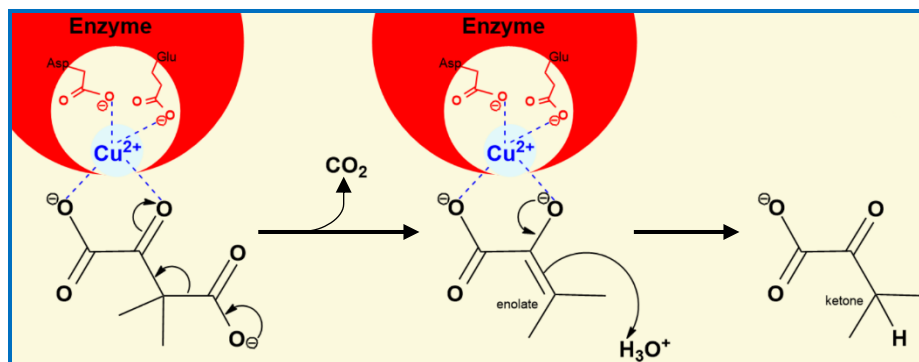


3) Metal Ion Catalysis

● *Metal Ion Catalysis*: enzyme *indirectly* forms *electrostatic* bonds with \ddagger via its _____ ion cofactors.

□ Interactions between metals & substrates can _____ the substrate and/or _____ the \ddagger .

EXAMPLE: Decarboxylation via Metal Ion Catalysis.



PRACTICE: Catalysis by the enzyme urease is inhibited in the presence of Hg, Cd, or Co ions. What could this information potentially suggest about the catalytic mechanism of urease?

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| a) Urease uses acid-base catalysis. | c) Urease uses noncovalent catalysis. |
| b) Urease uses covalent catalysis. | d) Urease uses metal ion catalysis. |

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PRACTICE: Which of the following best applies to metal ion catalysis?

- a) A covalent bond forms between enzyme and substrate.
- b) Catalyst may participate in oxidation-reduction reactions by changes in the oxidation state.
- c) May use amino acids such as aspartate or lysine for protonation or proton abstraction.
- d) Uses nucleophilic functional groups.
- e) Lowers the energy of the transition state.
- f) a & d.
- g) b & e.