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“Deuxième Rencontre R”



Fast prediction of glycerol reactivity on metallic catalysts

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- 3. Predicting glycerol reactivity on Rh**

I-Context of the project

Objective

Interest of biomass

“Biomass” designs “**materials** produced by the growth of microorganisms, **plants** or animals”¹

- **Abundant**, especially **polyols**
- May be used as **building blocks** for **key chemicals** in industry

Importance of heterogeneous catalysis...

- **Catalytic** transformation of biomass with **transition metals**
- **Computational tools** to understand **reactivity** and to design **efficient catalysts**

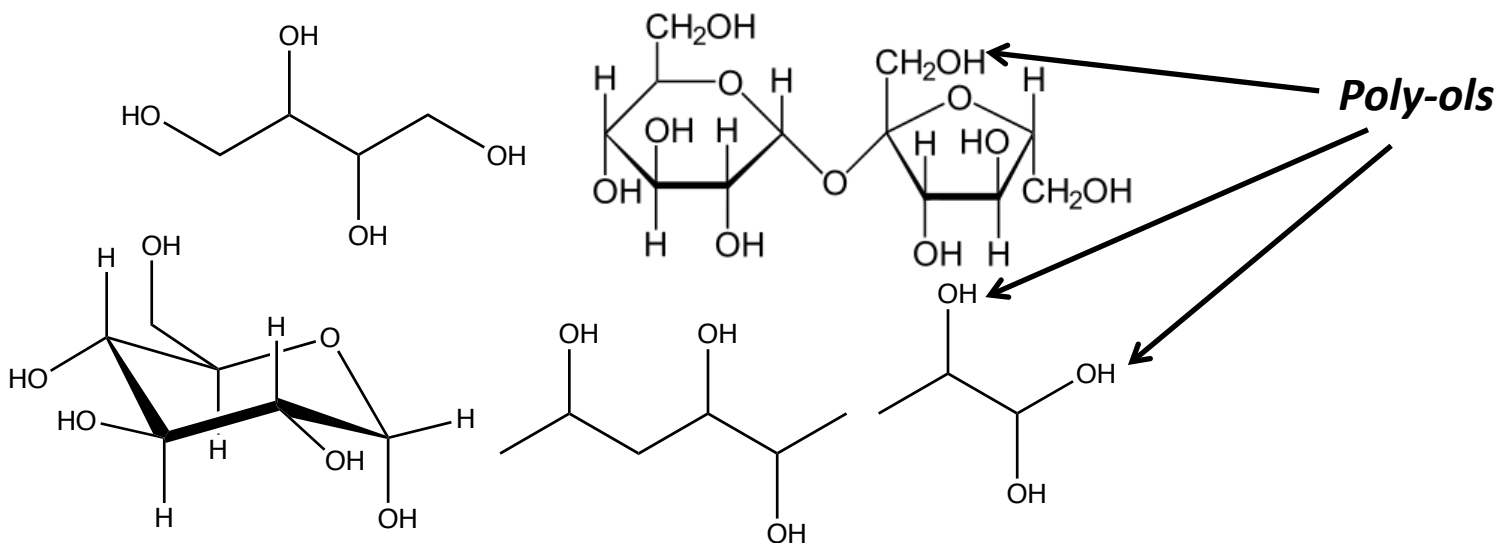
Objective

- **Fast screening** method of **polyols** reactivity on **metallic catalysts**



Challenge

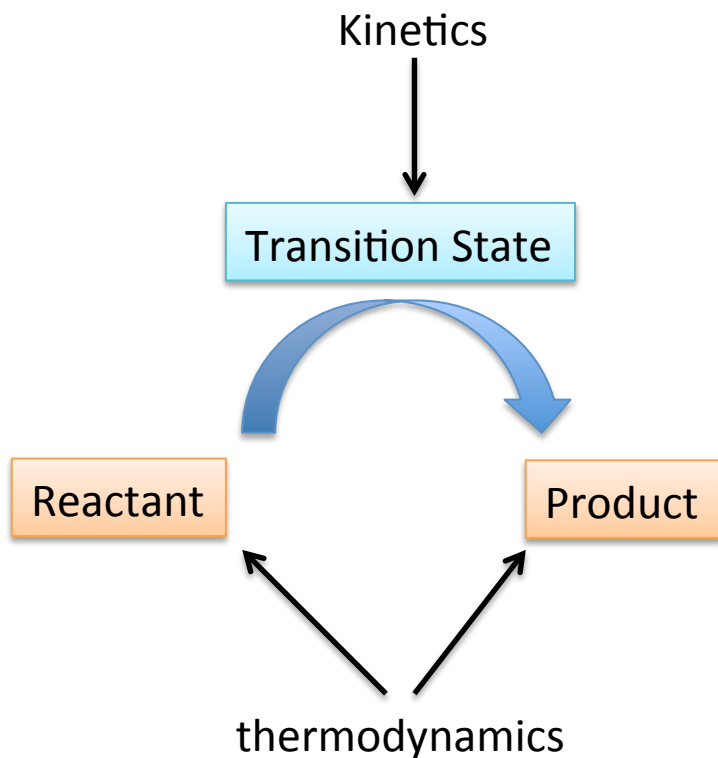
- Complexity of biomass molecules: **size & high functionalization**



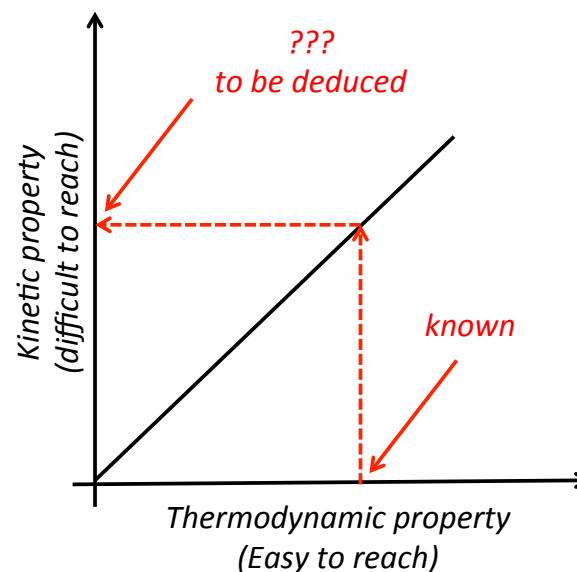
- Considerable **computational cost** to compute **reactivity** (several days/weeks with quantum chemistry codes)

Strategy: combination of 2 methods

1- DFT^a (quantum chemistry)

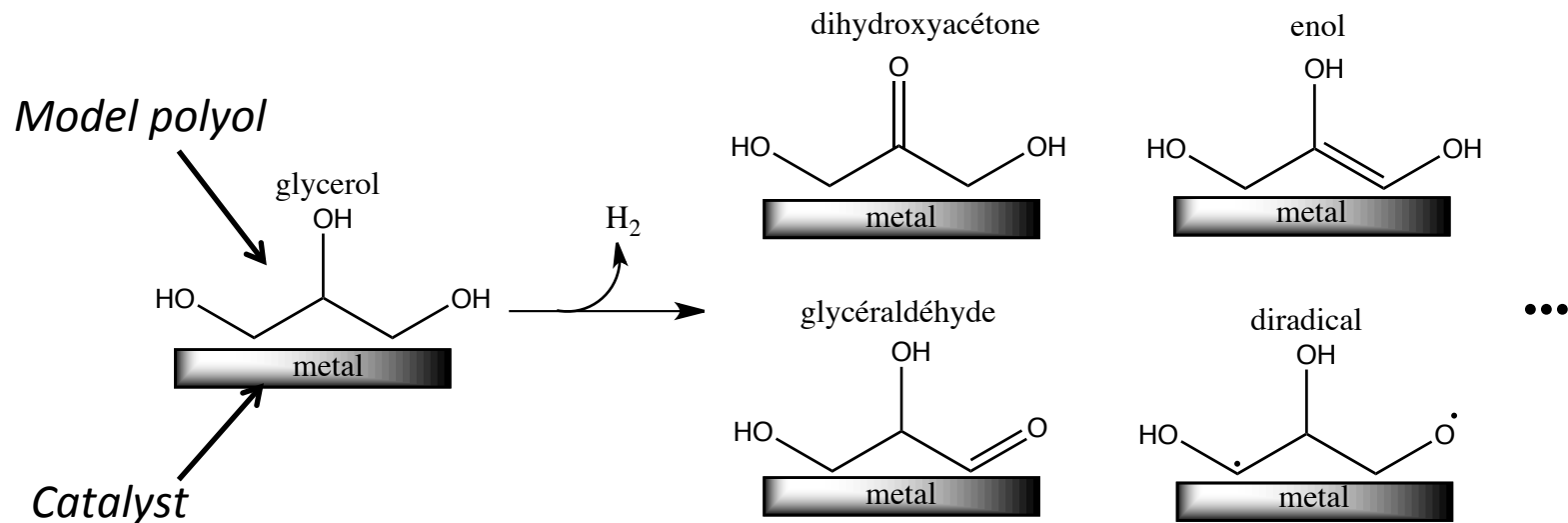


2- Brønsted-Evans-Polanyi (BEP) type relationships^b

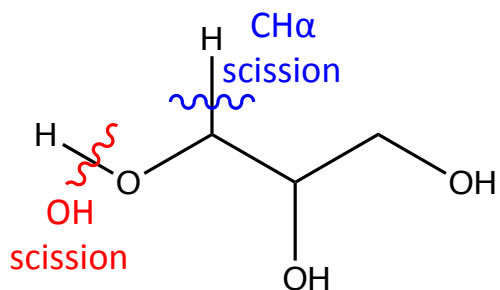


Strategy: model system

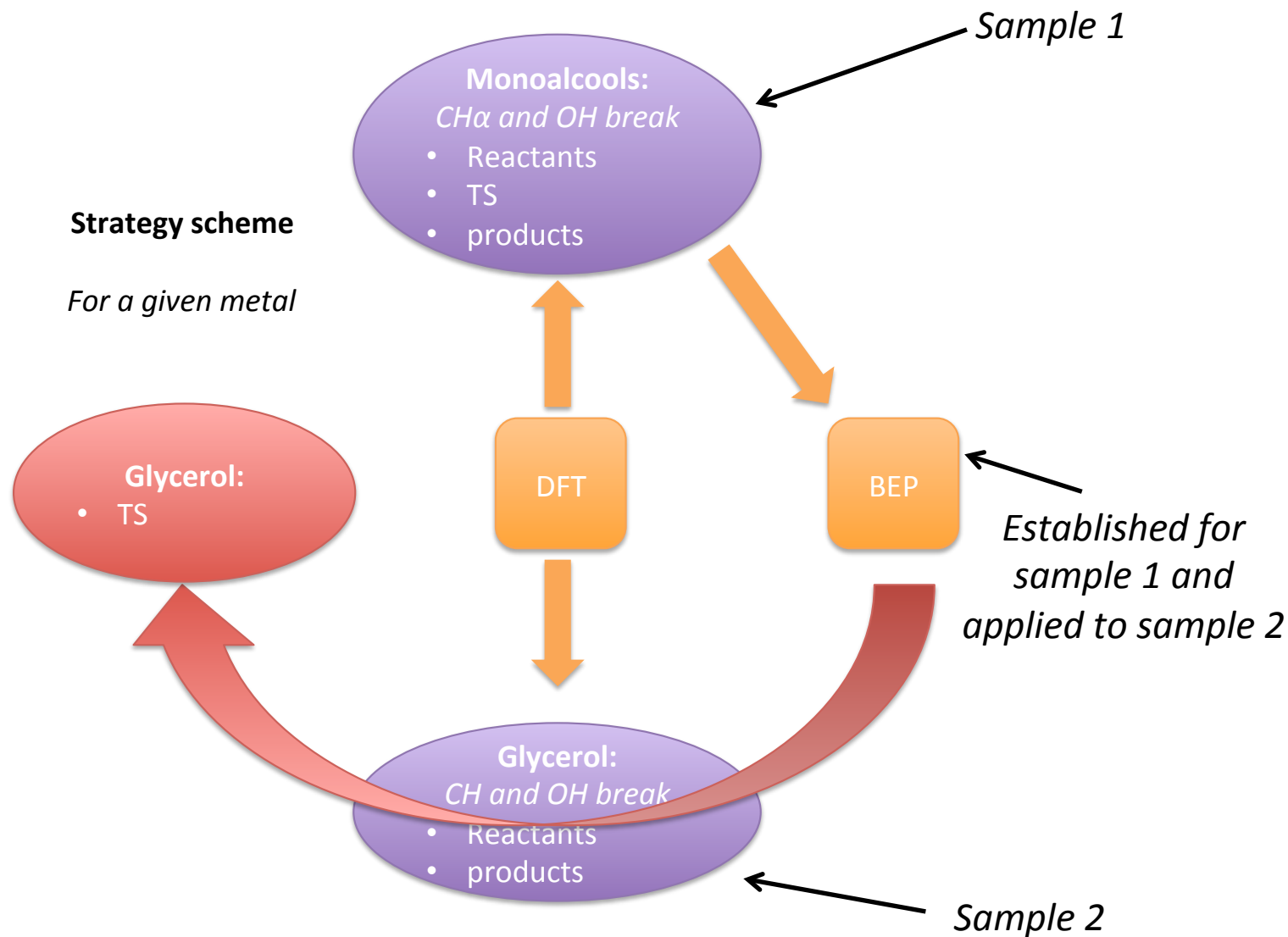
➤ Glycerol dehydrogenation on Rh (111)



➤ 2 kinds of reaction



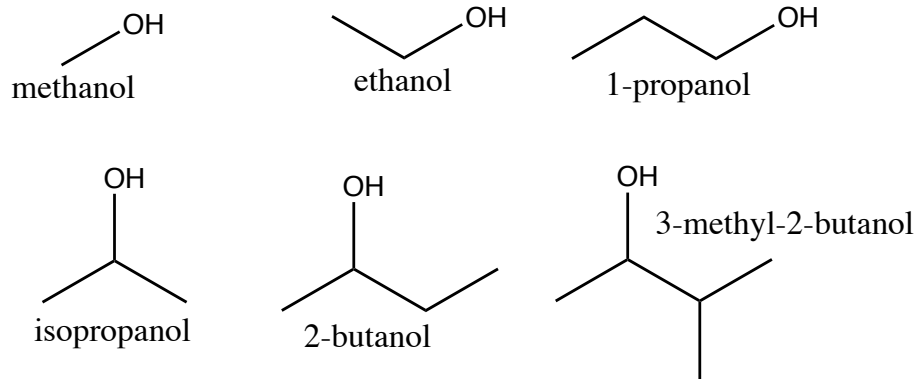
Strategy: summary



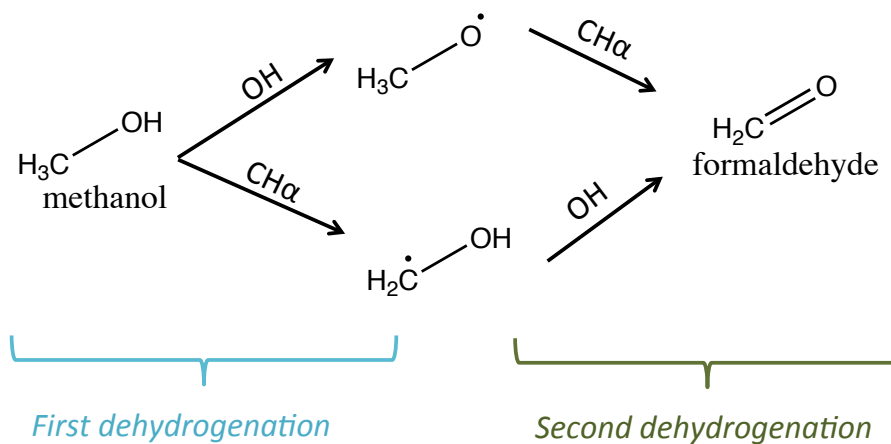
II- Simple alcohols dehydrogenation on Rh (111)

Reactions sample

➤ Set of simple alcohols



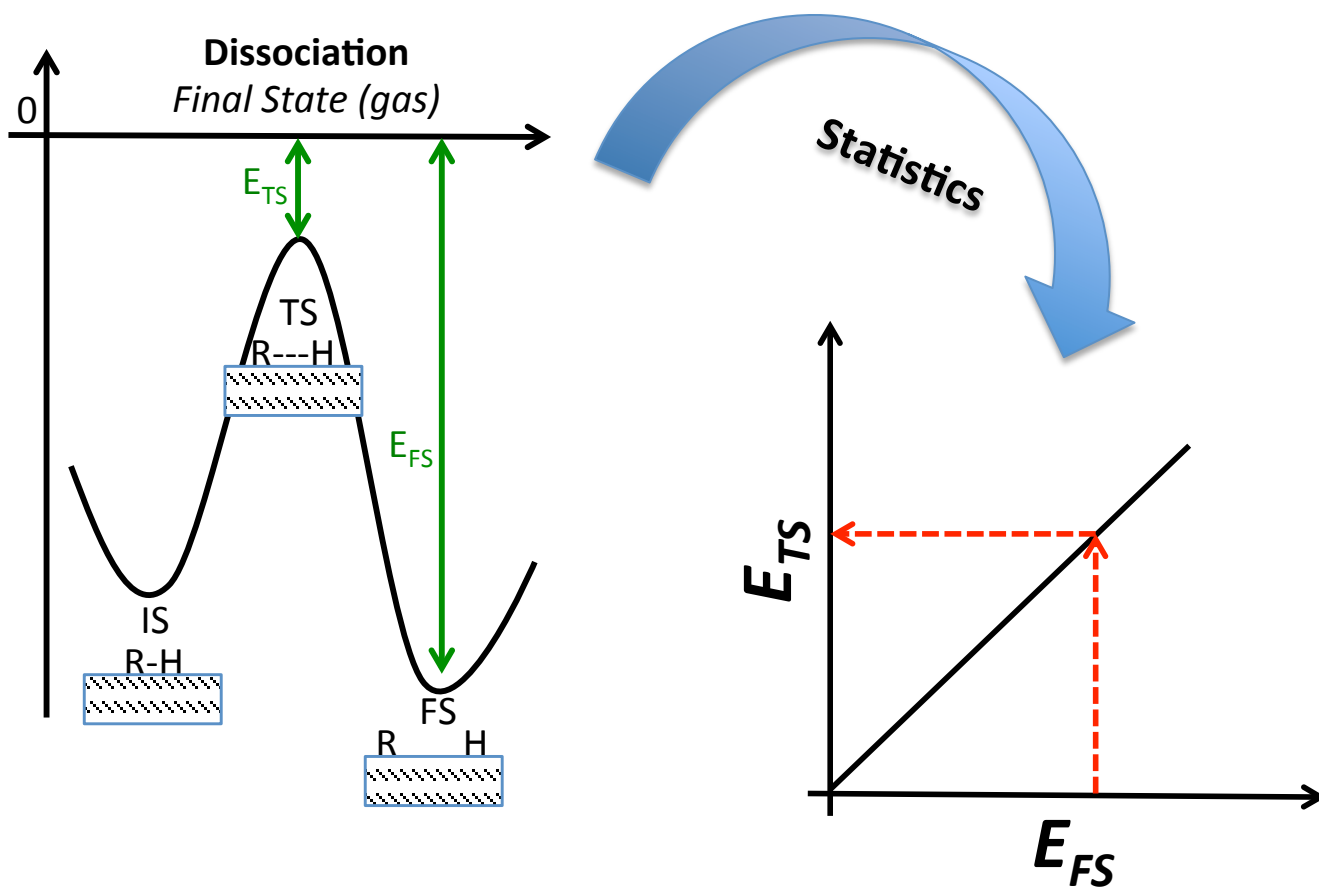
➤ Elementary reactions



➤ For each step: **reactant**, **TS** and **product** are DFT calculated

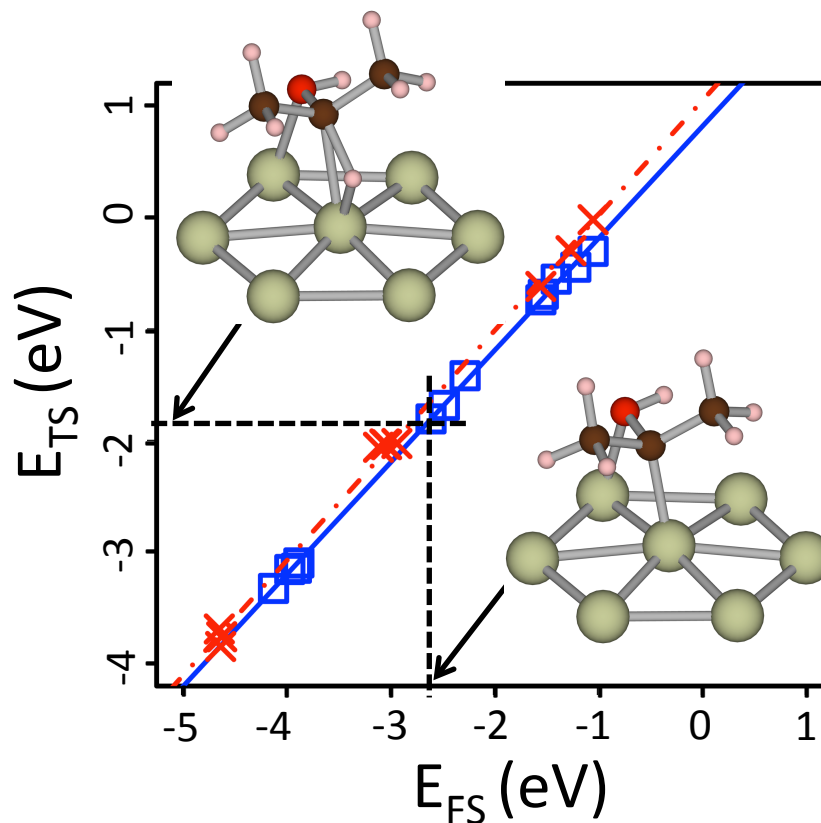
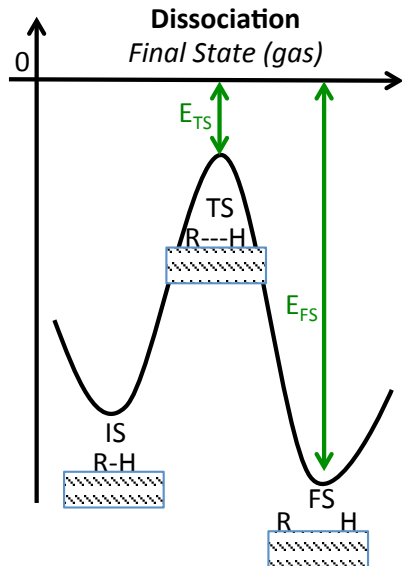
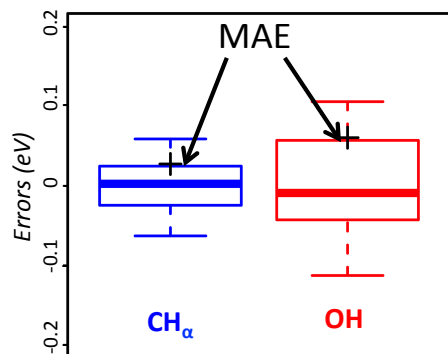
Focus on one BEP type relationship

TSS.diss.FS/FS¹



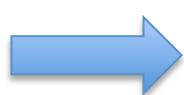
Prediction of simple alcohols dehydrogenation

TSS.diss.FS/FS



Statistics

CH α Rh	slope	intercept	MAE	MAX
<i>TSS.diss.FS/FS</i>	1.00 $\pm$ 0.02	0.81 $\pm$ 0.06	0.03	0.06



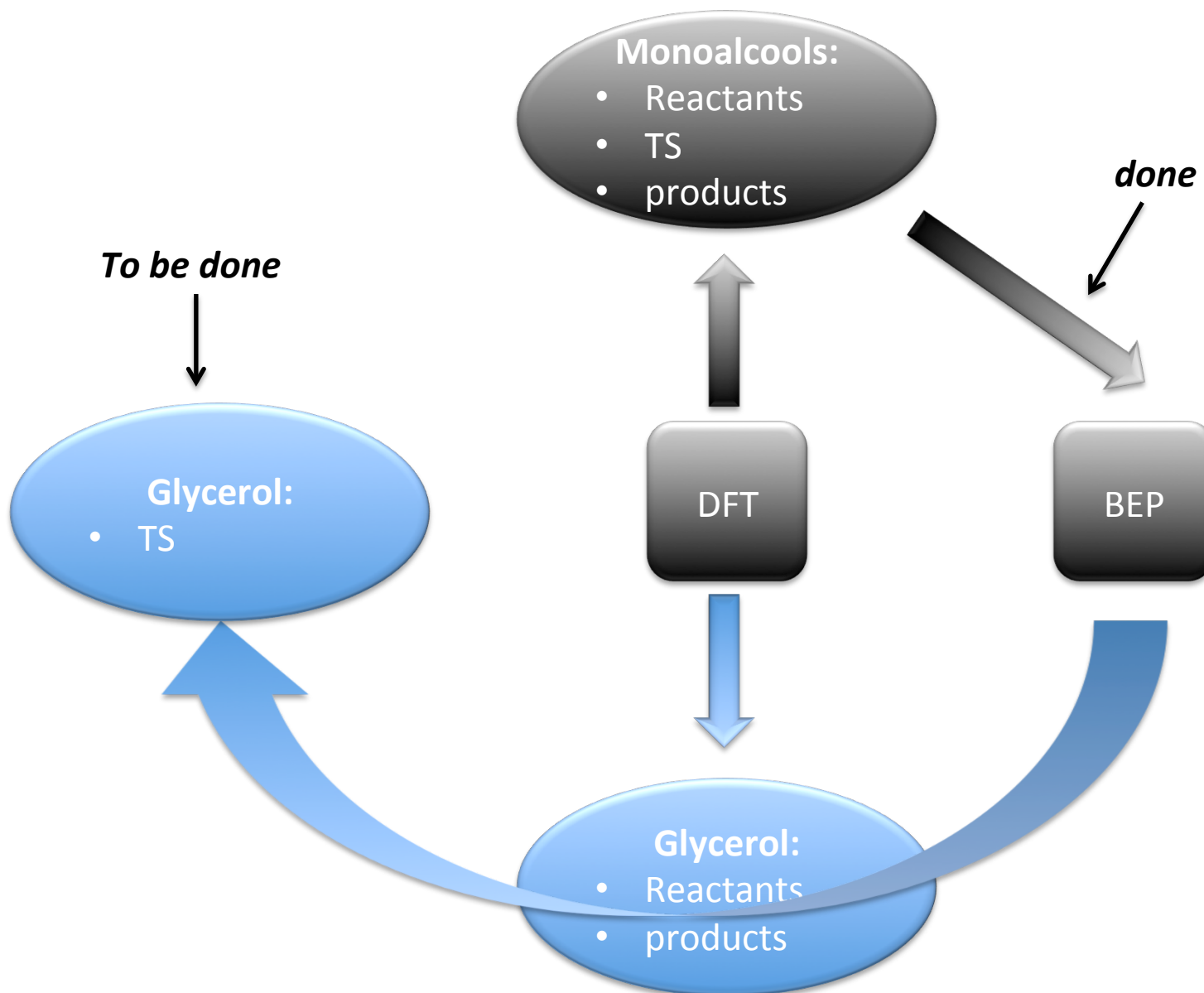
$$\text{CH}\alpha: E_{\text{TS}} = \hat{E}_{\text{TS}} \pm 0.09$$

OH Rh	slope	intercept	MAE	MAX
<i>TSS.diss.FS/FS</i>	1.03 $\pm$ 0.04	1.04 $\pm$ 0.14	0.06	0.11



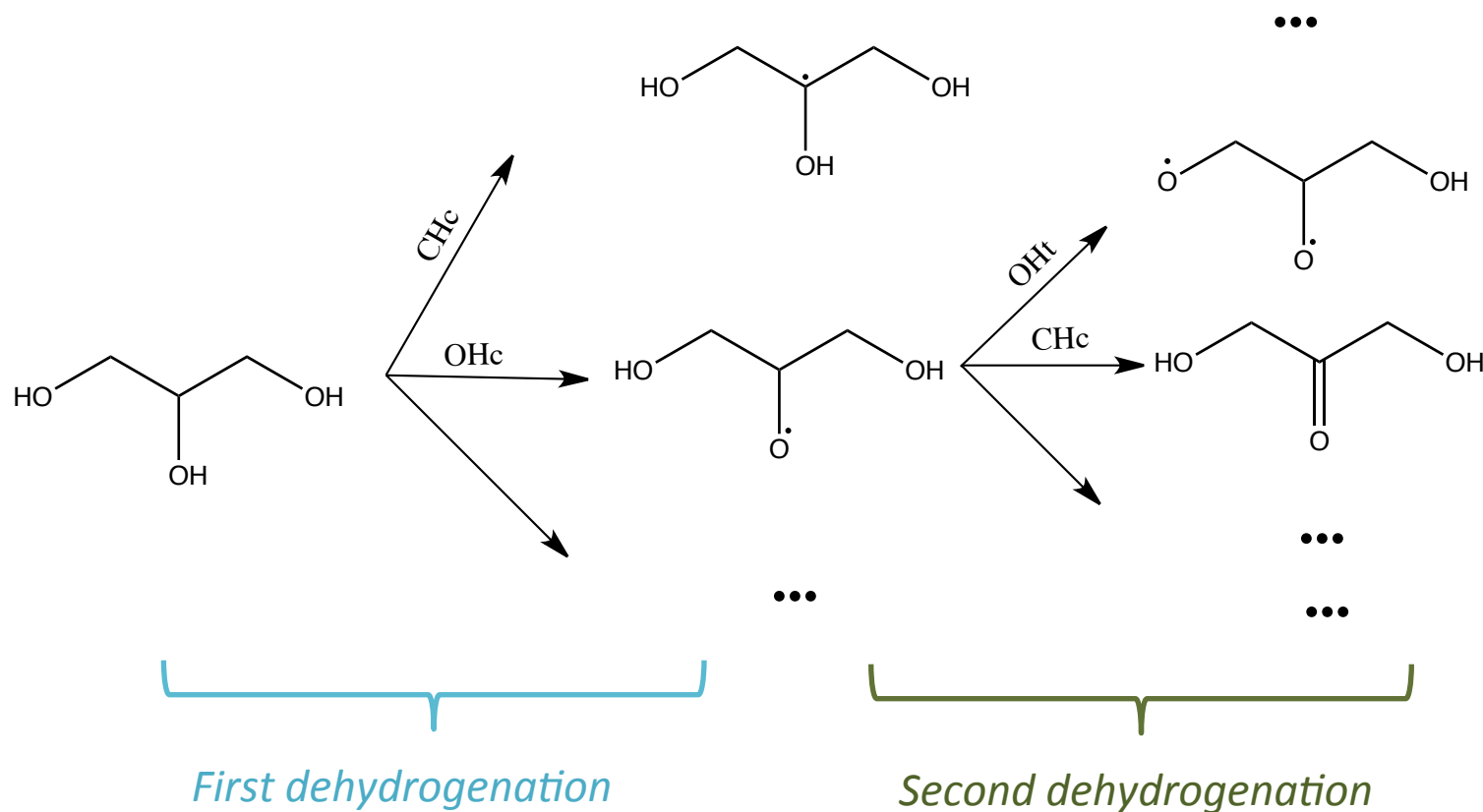
$$\text{OH}: E_{\text{TS}} = \hat{E}_{\text{TS}} \pm 0.20$$

Further step

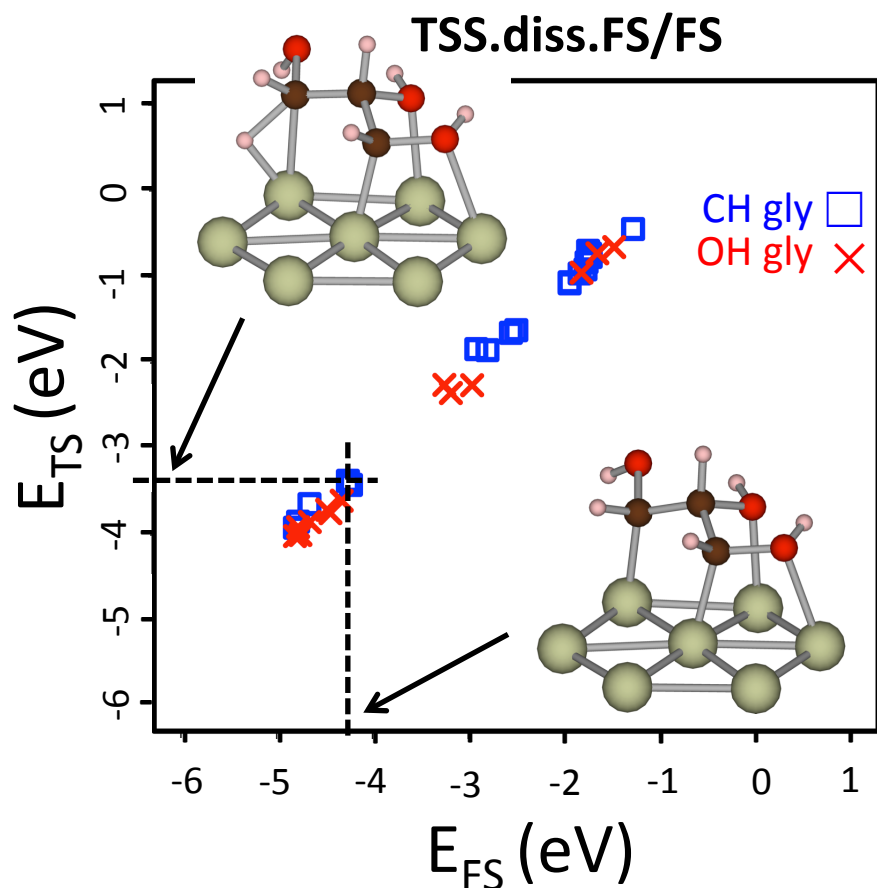


III- Glycerol dehydrogenation on Rh (111)

Elementary reactions



Can we predict glycerol reactivity from simple alcohols models?

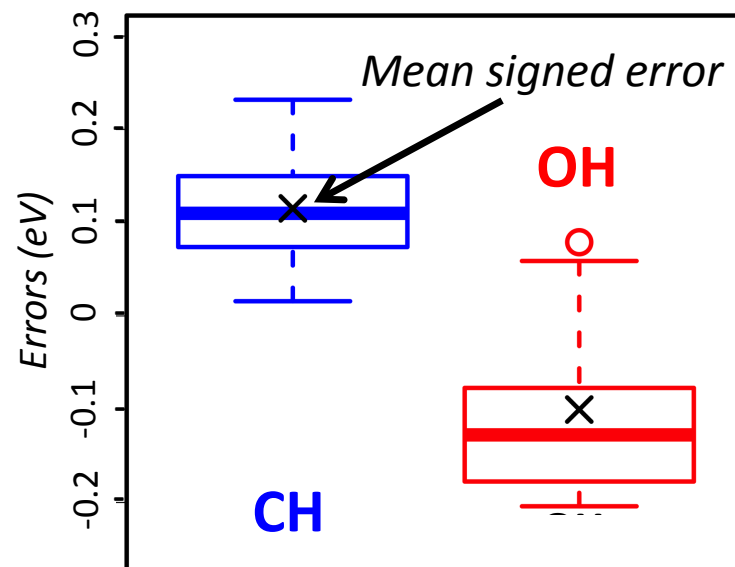
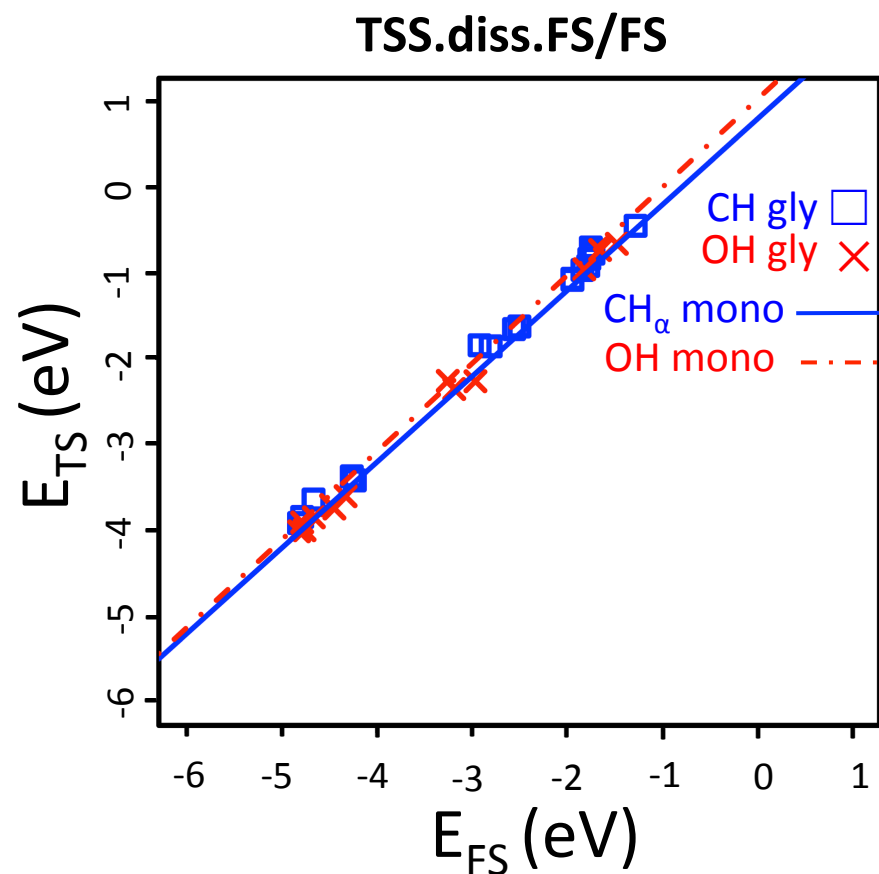


Glycerol vs. monoalcohols	slope	intercept
CH(gly)/CH α (mono)	6.53E-02	3.98E-01
OH(gly)/OH(mono)	6.21E-01	9.10E-01

For both slope **and** intercept p -value > 0.05
→ the models are **statistically identical**

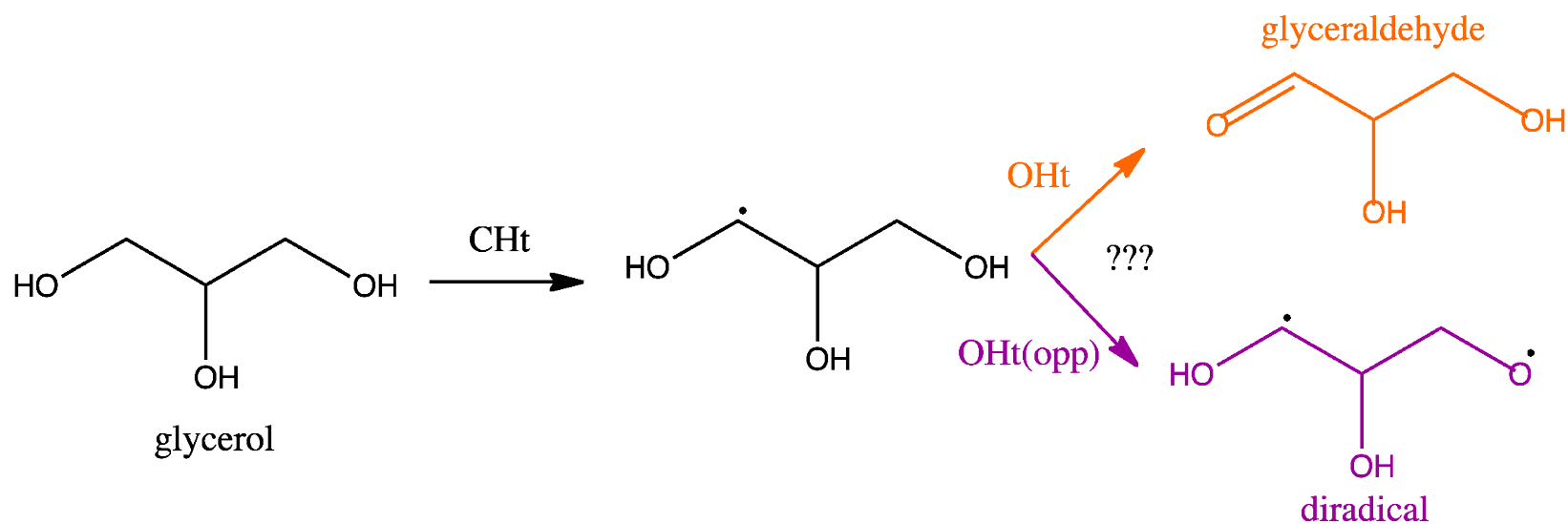
Can we predict glycerol reactivity from simple alcohols models?

YES we can!



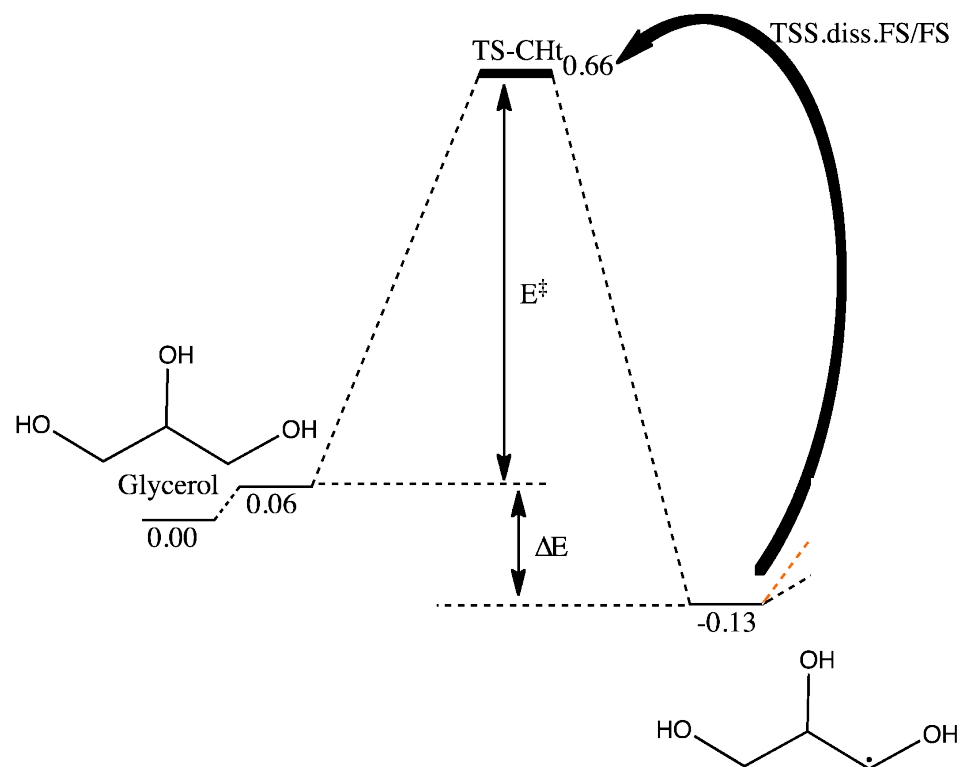
Using of the model

Glyceraldehyde or diradical?



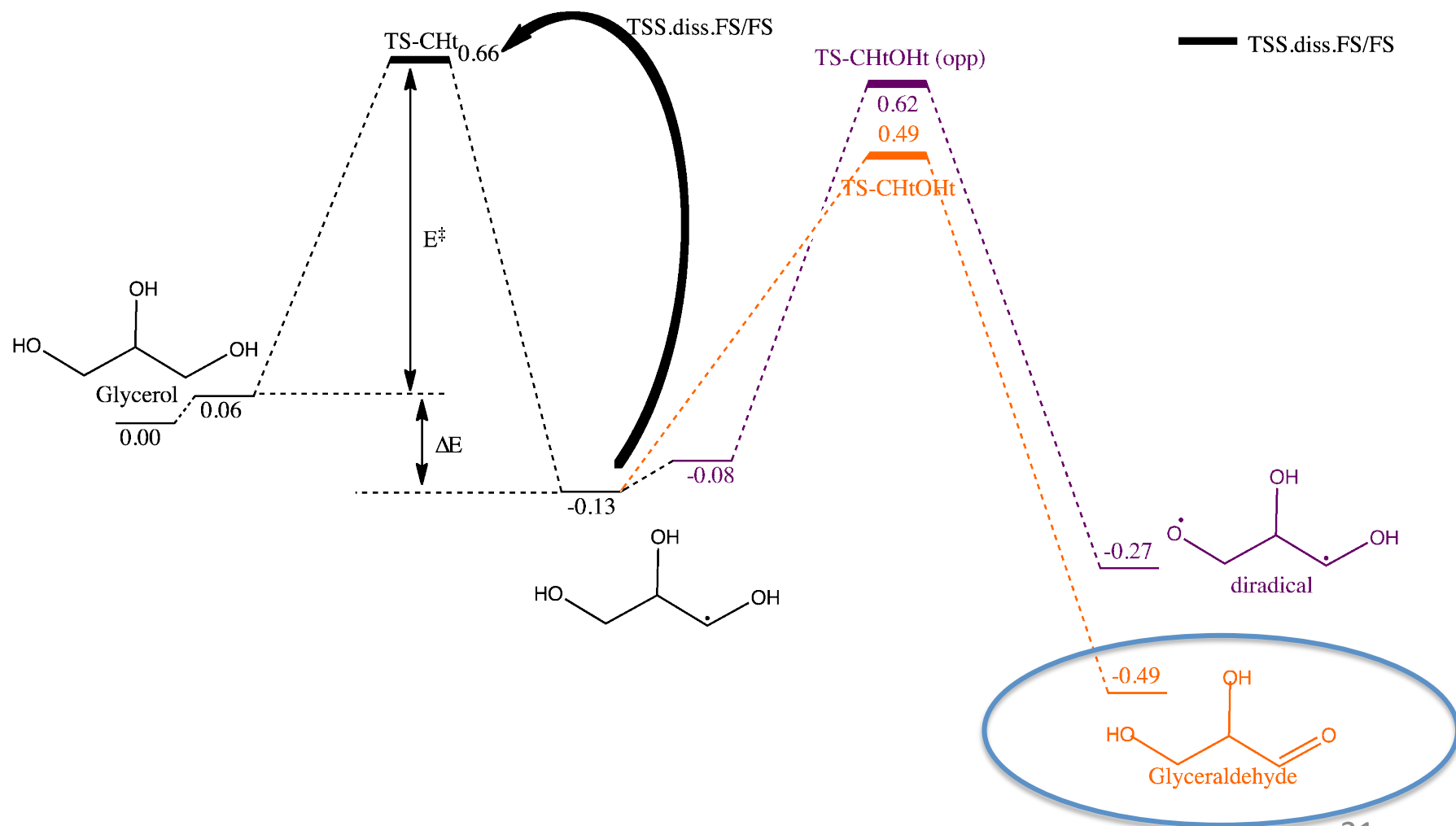
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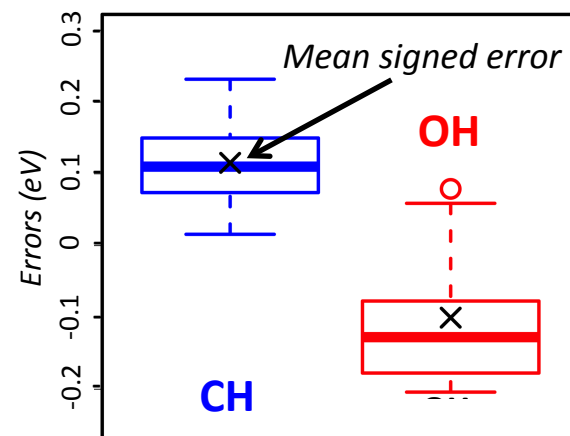
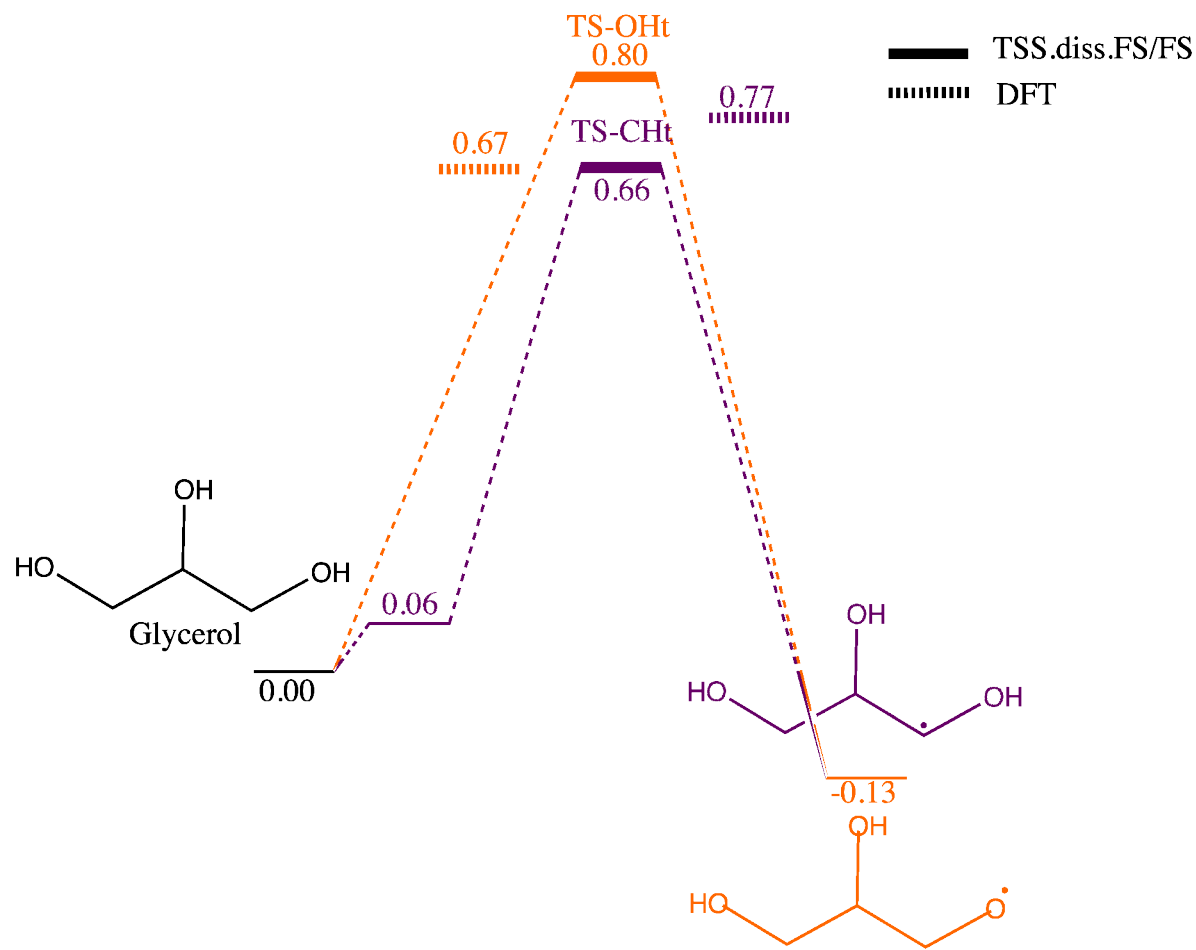
Using of the model

Glyceraldehyde or diradical?



Using of the model

A difficult example...



Errors distribution for glycerol via monoalcools using TSS.diss.FS/FS

Summary & perspectives

Achievements...

- We established models to predict simple alcohols reactivity on Rh
- Those models have good quality but prediction interval is a bit high for OH dissociation compared to CH dissociation
- These models may be directly applied to complex alcohols such as glycerol

Predicting TS energies of...	Average errors
Simple alcohols	<0.10 eV
Glycerol	$\sim \pm 0.10$ eV

Ongoing...

- Reduce the prediction intervals for simple alcohols linear regressions
- Justify quantitatively the systematic shift and eliminate it from the models
- Establish such models on various metallic catalysts

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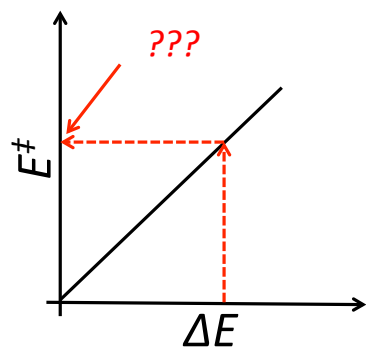
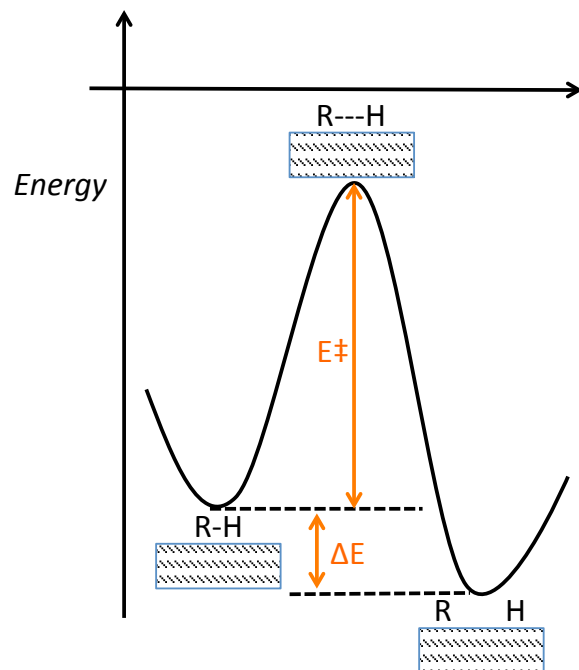
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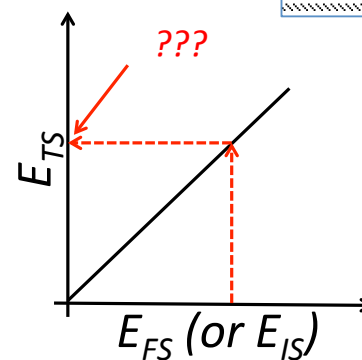
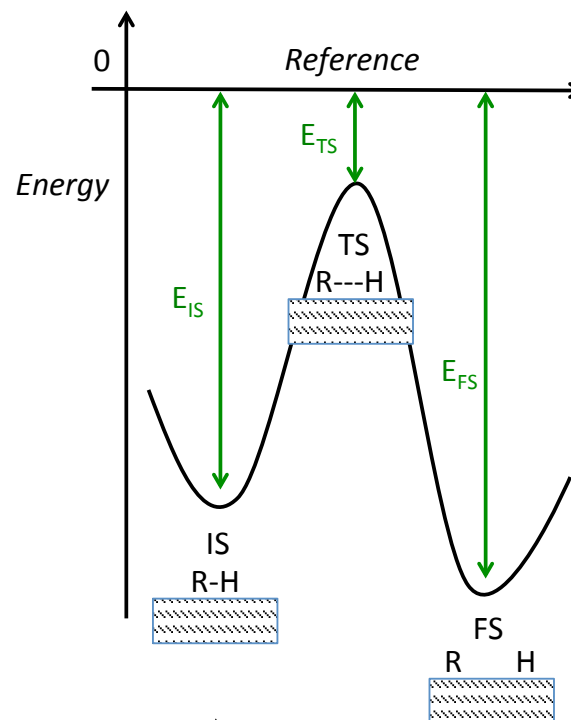
Annexes

Various BEP type relationships

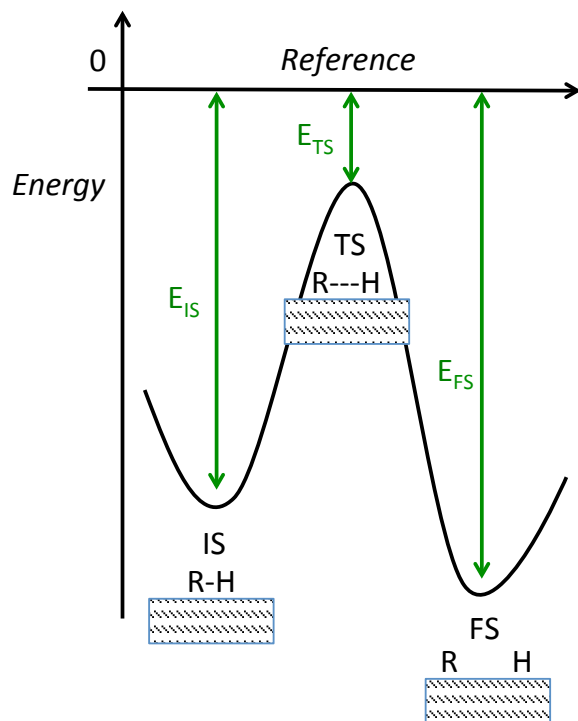
Brønsted-Evans-Polanyi (BEP)



Transition State Scaling (TSS)



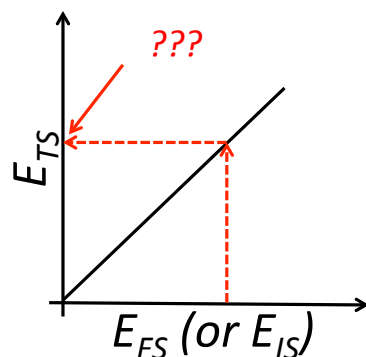
The TSS relationships



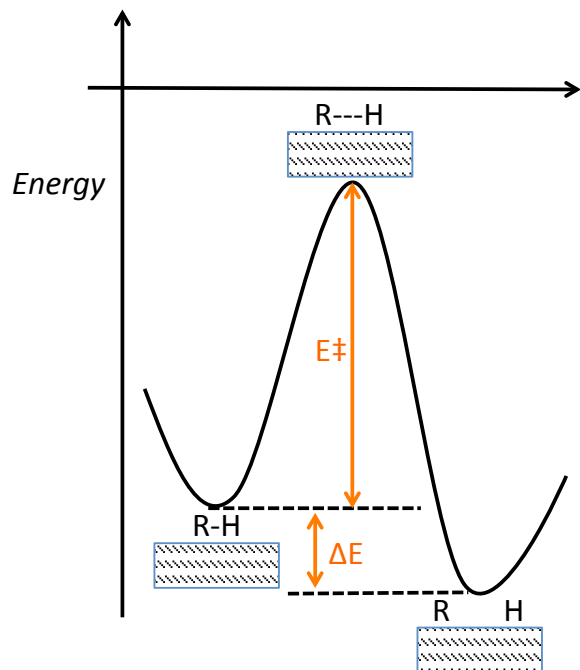
One can play on several parameters:

- Nature of the **independent variable** (E_{IS} or E_{FS})
- Energetic **reference** (IS or FS state)
- **Direction** of the reaction:
 - Defined with **structural** considerations (dissociation)
 - Defined with **energetic** considerations (exothermic)

➔ 8 modes of TSS correlations



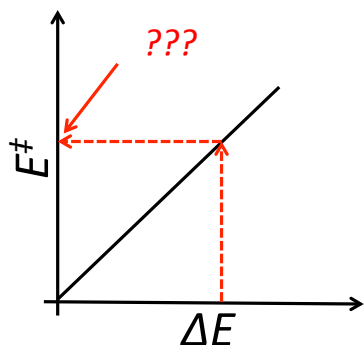
The BEP relationships



One can play on:

➤ **Direction** of the reaction:
Association/dissociation or exothermic/endothermic

➔ 4 modes of TSS correlations



Equivalence of all the modes of correlation

