

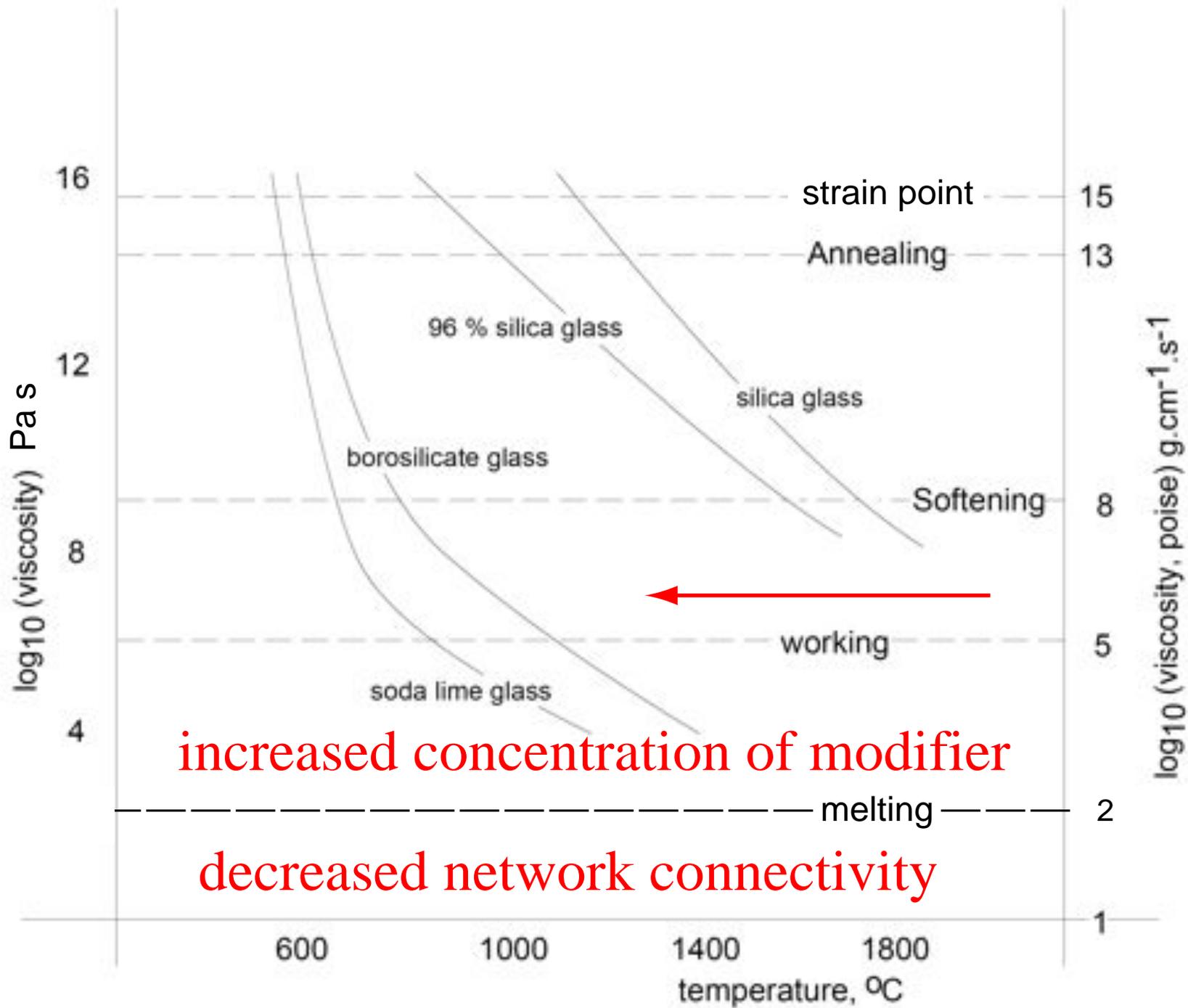
*Welcome to 3.091*

**Lecture 22**

**November 2, 2009**

**Engineering Glass Properties; Introduction to Kinetics**

Type	Composition, w/o								Properties or uses
	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Na <sub>2</sub> O	K <sub>2</sub> O	CaO	MgO	B <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Other	
Soda-lime	72	14		9	4		1		Window glass
Silica glass (fused quartz)	99.5+								High-temperature applications; low coefficient of expansion
96% silica glass	96.3	<0.2	<0.2			2.9	0.4		Comparable to fused quartz
Borosilicate	80.5	3.8	0.5			12.9	2.2		Resistant to heat and to chemicals
Light flint optical	54	1	8					37PbO	High index of refraction
Surface-strengthened glass	55	16	2	2		2	19	4TiO <sub>2</sub>	Cookware
Glass-ceramic	56				15		20	9TiO <sub>2</sub>	Radomes



increased concentration of modifier

decreased network connectivity

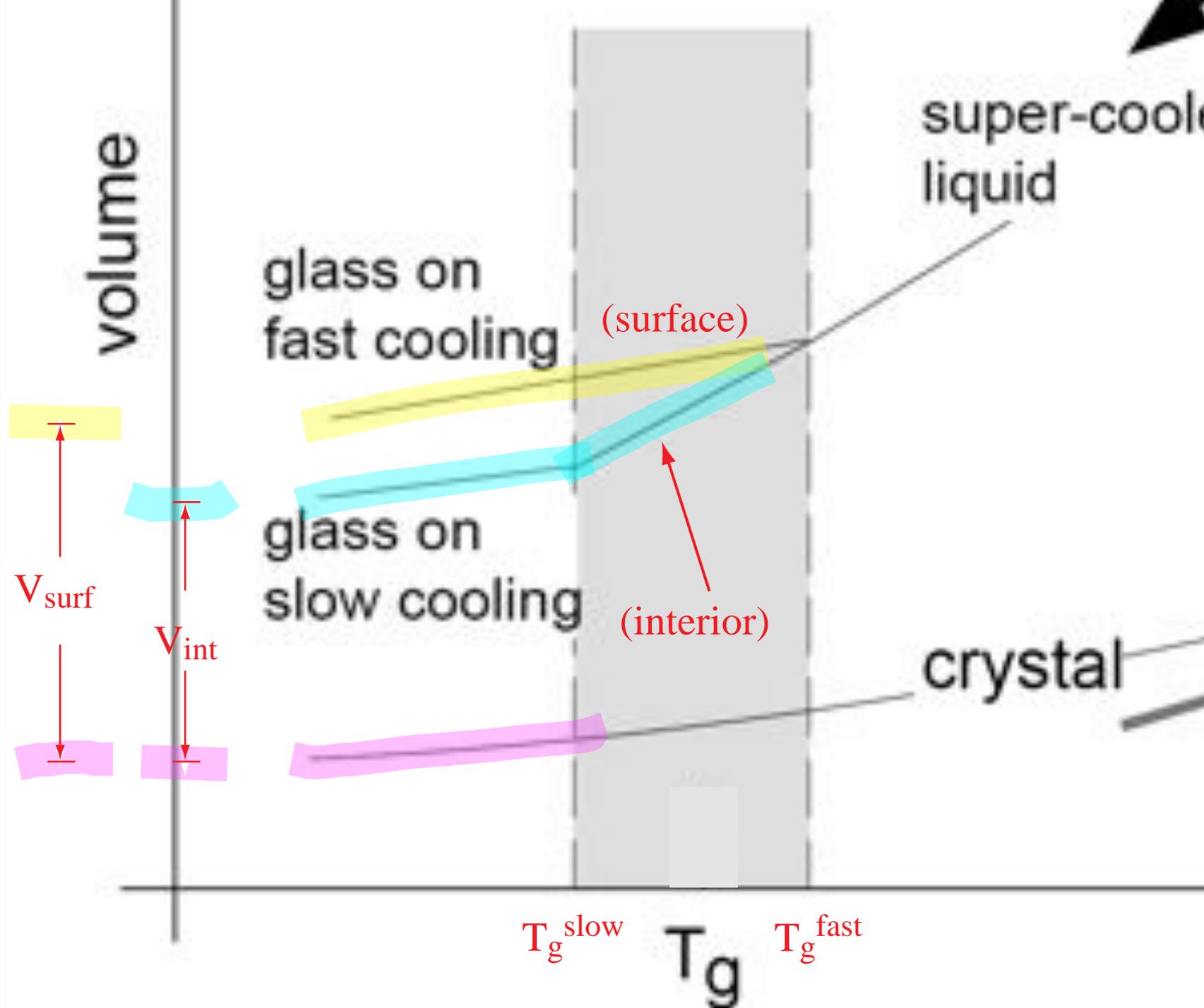
**working point:** ( $\eta \approx 10^5$  poise) temperature above which it is possible to *form* the glass, *i.e.*, press, draw, shape

**softening point:** ( $\eta \approx 10^8$  poise) temperature above which glass *flows under its own weight*

**annealing point:** ( $\eta \approx 10^{13}$  poise) temperature above which *residual stresses can be relieved within 15 min*

**strain point:** ( $\eta \approx 10^{15}$  poise) temperature below which glass can be *rapidly cooled* without introducing internal stresses capable of fracture

$$1 \text{ Pa s} = 10 \text{ poise}; \quad \eta_{\text{water}} \approx 10^{-2} \text{ poise}$$



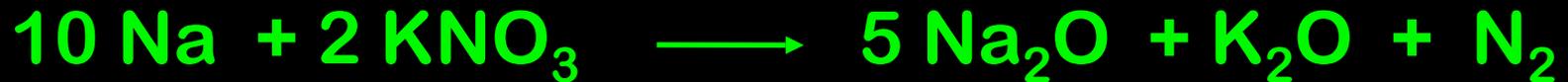
# why do we study kinetics?

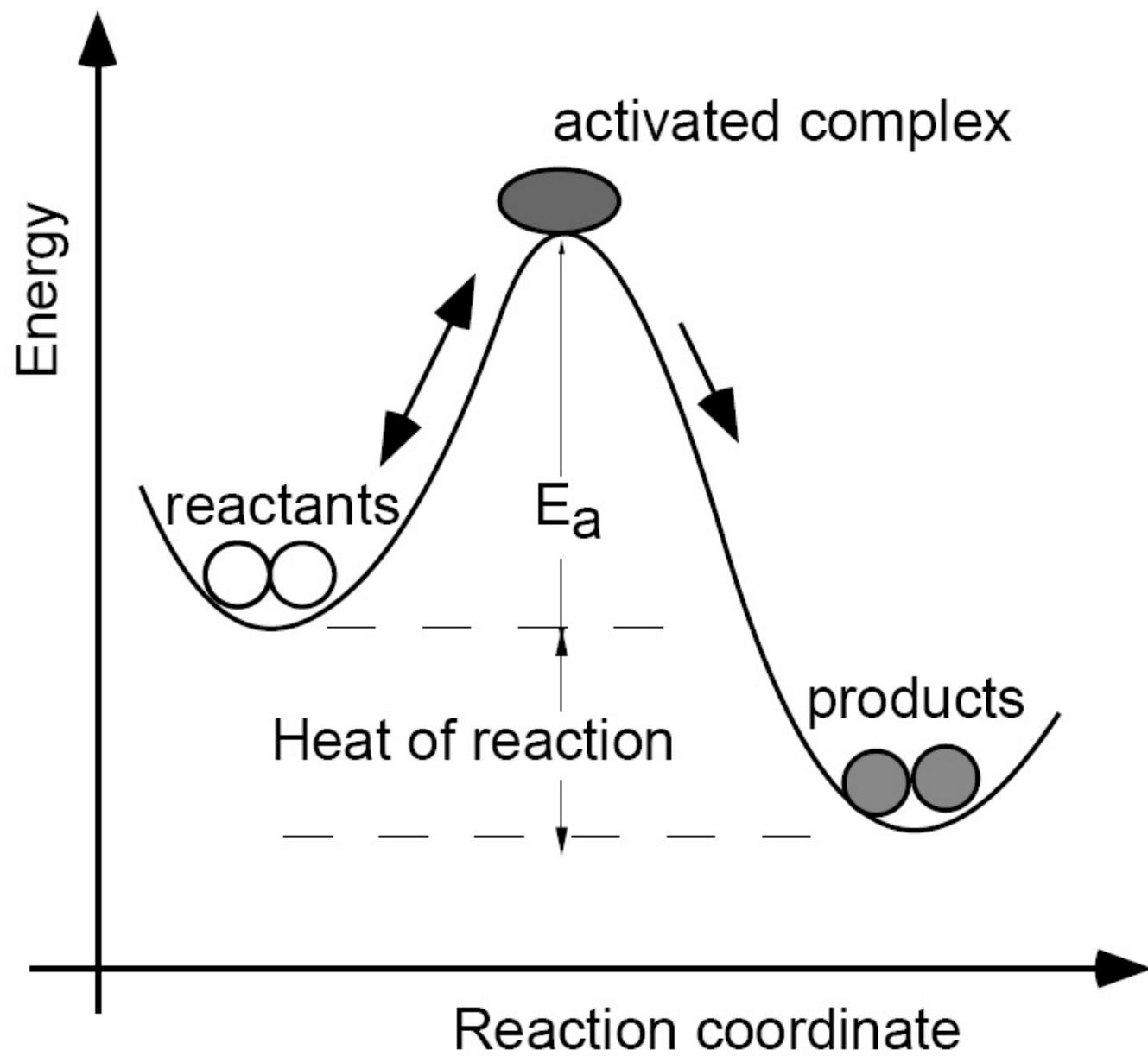
- ⇒ productivity &  
resource utilization
  - ☞ competitiveness
- ⇒ energy & the environment
- ⇒ societal:  
science in service of humanity

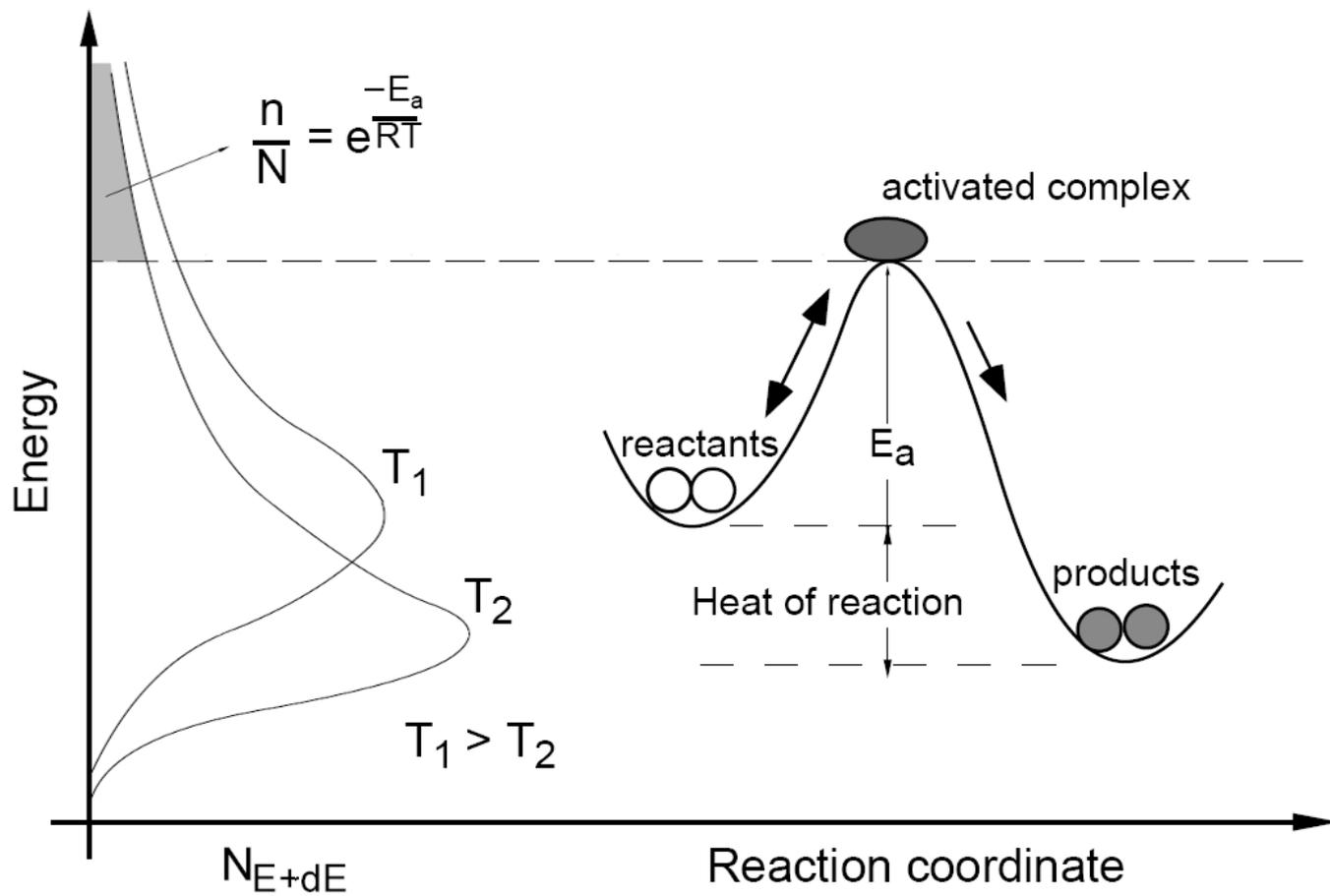
# on the topic of airbags



accelerometer 🖱 electric current







# Radiocarbon Dating

Willard F. Libby: Nobel Prize 1960

- \* in the upper atmosphere, radioactive carbon is produced naturally by cosmic rays which generate neutrons:



- \*  ${}_6\text{C}^{14}$  enters the carbon cycle,  $\therefore$  ratio of  ${}_6\text{C}^{14}/{}_6\text{C}^{12}$  constant in all organisms (as is  ${}_6\text{C}^{13}/{}_6\text{C}^{12}$ )
- \* upon death, conc. of  ${}_6\text{C}^{14}$  falls via  ${}_6\text{C}^{14} \Rightarrow {}_7\text{N}^{14} + {}_{-1}\beta^{0-}$
- \* measure  ${}_6\text{C}^{14}/{}_6\text{C}^{12}$  to determine age ( $t_{1/2} = 5730 \text{ y}$ )

## Half-lives and applications of some radioactive isotopes

Radioactive Isotope	Half-Life	Typical Uses
Hydrogen-3 (tritium)	12.32 yr	Biochemical tracer
Carbon-11	20.33 min	PET scans (biomedical imaging)
Carbon-14	$5.70 \times 10^3$ yr	Dating of artifacts
Sodium-24	14.951 hr	Cardiovascular system tracer
Phosphorus-32	14.26 days	Biochemical tracer
Potassium-40	$1.248 \times 10^9$ yr	Dating of rocks
Iron-59	44.495 days	Red blood cell lifetime tracer
Cobalt-60	5.2712 yr	Radiation therapy for cancer
Technetium-99m*	6.006 h	Biomedical imaging
Iodine-131	8.0207 days	Thyroid studies tracer
Radium-226	$1.600 \times 10^3$ yr	Radiation therapy for cancer
Uranium-238	$4.468 \times 10^9$ yr	Dating of rocks and Earth's crust
Americium-241	432.2 yr	Smoke detectors

\*Denotes *metastable*, where an excited nucleus decays to the ground state of the same isotope.

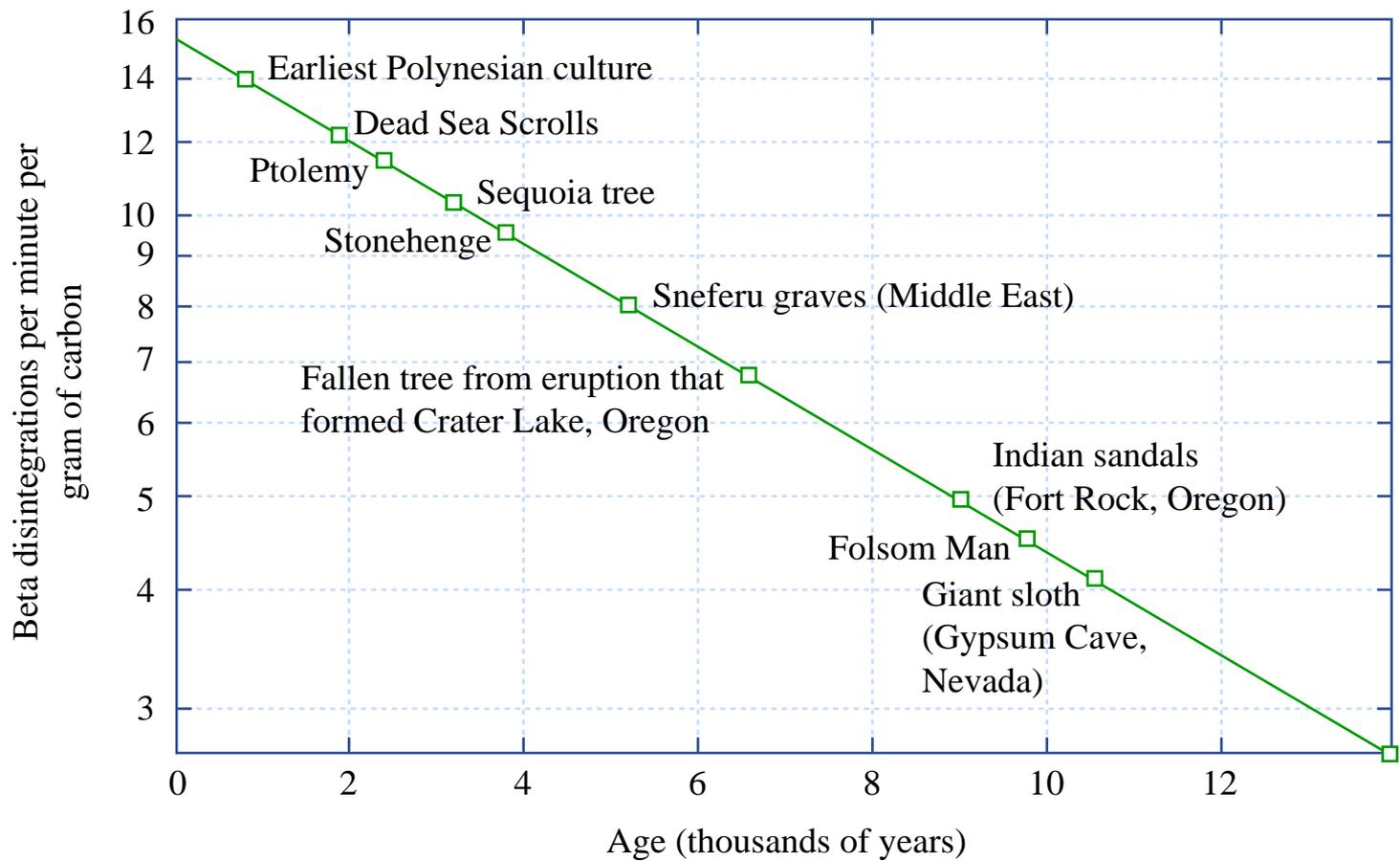


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