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Chapter 1

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## 1.1 Heterogeneity of Catalyst Surface and Chemical Reactions

Chemical reactions occurring on a solid surface are under control of the heterogeneity of the surface. One of the typical and most important cases of them is heterogeneous catalysis. This idea has appeared everywhere in the history of the study on catalysis. Most of all pioneering workers in their days were concerned with what the site for adsorption, reaction or desorption was and how the processes among them was. [1] It is not too much to be said that the heterogeneity of surface has been always in the center of the field. It was natural in a sense to start at the reaction on the flat dense surface when the physicochemical techniques were developed enough to investigate the single crystal surface and the high quality vacuum was obtainable, because flat surface could offer a standard which had not appeared before them. Then sparse or stepped surface came up in the interest to exploit chemistry of the surface heterogeneity. These studies contributed to the elucidation of the kind of site which is active to the key step and the surface processes between sites. [2]

In general, the surface of metal, of fine particle or single crystal, has kinds of atoms which have their own environment. Cuboctahedral fine particle of Ru, for example, consists of atoms in edge, corner and plain. It was concluded that ethane hydrogenolysis;

## $CH_3 - CH_3 + H_2 \rightarrow 2CH_4$

was active on edge and corner atoms. [3] Fe(111) has two kinds of atoms accessible to  $N_2$  under  $NH_3$  synthesis condition. And the active site was proved to be  $C_7$  atom (its coordination number is 7). [4] These conclusions were based on the reasonable key steps for the overall reactions, C-C disruption and  $N_2$  dissociative

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adsorption, respectively. These examples were structural chemistry well related with reactivity to prove questions arising from the concerns of the idea above. In this way, surface heterogeneity includes various possibilities of the reaction on it and chemistry unexpected from the conventional idea can be developed.

A problem which arises in the recent studies of the surface science is the surface mobility. That is, solid surface is very reactive and the structure is often modified by the gaseous or liquid reactants. This is serious especially in the discussion of heterogeneity because microscopic investigation is needed for a certain spatially restricted area whose mobility is often high. The stable and fixed atoms are also inactive to the gas phase reactants. This involves potential effects on the overall catalytic reaction such as the site or intermediate activation by gas molecule and adsorbate-adsorbate interaction through the intermediary of surface. Thus the study on the surface in a working state is essential to study of heterogeneity and, further, dynamics of microscopic surface is the key for the elucidate of the genesis and origin of catalysis.

Promotion in solid catalyst by support or additives has been one of the topics in science and technology of catalysis. [5-11] This is not intended to be an alchemy but brings about the control of the function --- selectivity, activity and life time of the catalyst. Ammonia synthesis catalyst, which is a milestone of the field, is famous of the double promotion by potassium-additive (believed as electron donar) and  $Al_2O_3$ -support (to extend life time). The structure of the original catalyst components would be changed more or less by the promotion accompanied with alternation of the electronic state. Influence

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on the microstructure of the catalyst is larger and more serious than expected from the change of net catalysis. And recent development of physicochemical method can gradually make it clear. This kind of study itself --- determination of local structure or the state of the small particles and surfaces --- is charming and gathers many investigators engaged in these techniques. Their contribution might build the static picture of the catalyst particles and surfaces in detail which makes a background and a base for the reaction on them. One important aspect of promotion is that it is inevitably a cause of heterogeneity. There must be conjunctions of the different phases --- an additive to metal particles or a support to metal particles --- and the composing element is usually different between two phases so that the exploitation of chemical processes occurring on heterogeneous surface is easier. Promotion might bring about model catalyst for the heterogeneity. Moreover, it is likely that microscopic reaction processes on the promoted surface involves totally new principle of chemical reaction which can not emerge on the non-promoted metal surface. In this meaning, investigation of the microscopic reaction mechanism on the promoted catalyst may contribute considerably to chemistry of solid surface.

The typical and fundamental problem happens in the study of chemical reaction on promoted catalyst is that the conjunction of different components on the solid surface can effect on catalyses in two manners. One is mere a combination of the each function, which can reduce the number of industrial processes in the plant, such as  $Al_2O_3$  supported Pt catalyst for petroleum reforming. It is believed that Pt dehydrates alkanes into alkenes,  $Al_2O_3$  isomerizes alkenes into branched alkenes and finally Pt

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hydrogenates branched alkenes into branched alkanes. In this mechanism, each function can generate by itself and the reactants and intermediates go through each reaction each phase owns. The other is cooperation of two phases in a microscopic level, such as the generation of intermediate at the boundary. The function can not be observed if two components are separated. In order to distinguish them and clarify the phenomena as molecular processes, reaction mechanism including the active sites and their environments must be elucidated. It is needless to say that the approach should not be apart from the reaction condition, i.e., the working state of the catalyst surface.

The literature deals with modes of interaction of gas molecule and catalyst surface which includes heterogeneity in its heart of the discussion. Consider carbon monoxide adsorbed on a supported metal catalyst for example. Several patterns of interaction can be listed;

2. M-S-CO like

CO M I I MgO

3. M — S like CO  
CO Rh  

$$-0-Zr^{-}0-Zr^{-}$$
 [12]

4. M-CO-S like 
$$\underbrace{\leftarrow \text{ OC-Rh-CO}}_{\text{Al}_2 \text{ O}_3}$$
 [13]

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where M is a metal and S is a support. Every interaction of every pattern is different from the two body interaction but case 2 and sometimes case 1 may be considered as an two body problem. These systems are often trivial and should be only combination of the functions of the metal and the support in the reaction. 3. is an adsorbate generated in the boundary of the metal particle and the support. 4. is metal diffusion on the support induced by adsorbate. These are examples of the cooperative conjunction of metal particles and supports.

The orientation of the adsorbed molecule should be discussed when it has internal degree of freedom. This often determines regio- and stereo-selectivity in catalytic reaction. Combination of several methods, for example, infrared spectroscopy, electron spin resonance, extended X-ray absorption fine structure, is needed and/or defines more in the elucidation of these surface chemistry of dynamic processes.

The mode of interaction of each intermediate state is connected to the catalysis. Discussion above is the bases of the mechanisms of heterogeneous surface reaction. Conversion of each mode, constitution or population of intermediate states and interaction of each mode arise with problem of "time" to make the clarification of the phenomena difficult. It is true that the elucidation of an activation mode of a reactant which determines selectivity or activity of given catalyst is important. But the comprehensive vision of time evolution of the modes in relation to the surface heterogeneity should be necessary to the precise design of catalysts in future.

This thesis aims the elucidation of the chemical processes and mode of interactions in the intermediate state occurring on

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the heterogeneous surface by several probe reactions. It is one of the effective approaches to the genesis of the heterogeneous catalysis. The systems chosen were hydrogenation of unsaturated compounds on noble metals supported on transition metal oxides and alkali metal-promoted  $Pt/SiO_c$  which were investigated by kinetics, isotope tracing, infrared spectroscopy, X-ray absorption near-edge structure, X-ray photoemission spectroscopy and so on. The advantages and limitation of these techniques are discussed in the following sections in the view of the aim of this thesis.

1.2 Probe Molecules and Reactions for Dynamic State of Catalysts

All kinds of catalytic reaction could be, in principle, probes of certain catalyst. A probe reaction must, however, have at least one significant alternative in its characteristics to give information of surface state. It may be the activity, chemoselectivity, regioselectivity, stereoselectivity, or the other kinds of selectivity (dimerization or dehydrogenation, isotope distributions, and so on). The experimental procedure depends on what the alternative is. And it must be carefully chosen for defining the structure and properties of surface or metal particles of the catalyst. Another interest is the factor ruling the phenomena arising between surface structure/properties and elementary processes. Both aspects are undivided and should be discussed at a time in the investigation of the chemical reaction on the heterogeneous surface. This is an another expression of the reaction mechanism including catalyst surface.

Ethanol dehydration/dehydrogenation which gives some information on the active site of acid catalysts and generation

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of dialkylbenzene in zeolite determining the size of cavities are famous and reported elsewhere. As for metal catalysts, hydrogenation-related reactions are favorable and all of the catalytic reactions in this thesis belongs to them.

### $H_2 - D_2$ exchange reaction

The information this reaction includes is the ability of the catalyst to adsorb hydrogen as dissociative form. The mechanism of this most simple catalytic reaction has been investigated for itself [14-17] but it seems to show its worth during the hydrogenation of the unsaturated compound. Whether it is the rate-determining or not, whether it competes in adsorption with a reactant or not, whether the site is the same as that of hydrogenation or not --- these are questions which result of this reaction may answer.

The results of the reaction appear everywhere in the thesis.

#### $CH_2 = CH_2$ deuteration

Studies on ethane formation accompanied with the adsorbed state may present a typical development of reaction mechanism of heterogeneous catalysis. [18-25] The adsorbed state of ethene has been agreed with including  $\pi$ -, di- $\sigma$ -states and the other species on the surface of metals. These adsorbates can get hydrogen to be half-hydrogenated states and another H addition makes them ethane. Quasi-equilibrium forms between associative state and half-hydrogenated state under room temperature (Scheme 1.1). This is generally accepted reaction scheme on transition metal catalyst so far.

Isotope distribution of deuterated ethanes is determined by the balance of the life time of  $CH_2$  - $CH_2$  (ad) and  $CH_2$  - $CH_2$  D(ad) in

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their quasi-equilibrium and surface ratio of D/H. The latter is determined by the adsorption competition of  $CH_2 = CH_2$  and  $D_2$  and quasi-equilibrium. The products are often smeared on metallic

$$\begin{array}{cccc} CH_{\mathbb{Z}}=CH_{\mathbb{Z}} & \rightarrow & CH_{\mathbb{Z}}-CH_{\mathbb{Z}} \mbox{ (ad)} \\ \\ D_{\mathbb{Z}} & \rightarrow & \left\{ \begin{array}{c} D(\mbox{ad}) \\ \\ D(\mbox{ad}) \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow & CH_{\mathbb{Z}}-CH_{\mathbb{Z}} \mbox{ D}(\mbox{ ad}) \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow & \rightarrow & C_{\mathbb{Z}} \mbox{ H}_n \mbox{ D}_{6-n} \end{array}$$

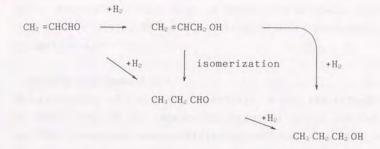
Scheme 1.1 Intermediates and their conversions in ethenedeuterium reaction.

catalysts. Ni produces  $d_{\theta}$ -ethane preferentially at the initiation of  $D_2$ -CH<sub>2</sub>=CH<sub>2</sub> reaction [19] while Rh, Ir and Pt produce  $d_2$ -ethane preferentially [26]. Several metal oxide catalysts also activate ethene to form ethane but the shuffling of deuterium and hydrogen does not occur during  $D_2$ -CH<sub>2</sub>=CH<sub>2</sub> reaction; produced ethane is almost exclusively CH<sub>2</sub>DCH<sub>2</sub>D in the reaction. [27] When reduction temperature increases in the preparation of an active metal oxide catalyst, metallic active site gradually generates. Accordingly the distribution of deuterated ethane should be spread, that is,  $d_{\theta}$ - and  $d_1$ -ethanes come to form. This offers possibility of characterizing the degree and extent of surface reduction. [28]

#### CH<sub>2</sub> =CHCHO hydrogenation

Acrolein (2-propenal) has two kinds of unsaturated bonds, C=C and C=O, and, consequently, its chemoselectivity of hydrogenation can be a probe. Usual network of the conversion of it is illustrated in Scheme 1.2. 1-Propanal,  $CH_{2}$  CHO, is more stable and is a

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Scheme 1.2 Acrolein hydrogenation network.

preferable product in equivalent molar hydrogen addition. The reaction intermediates are expected from the extrapolation of the mechanism of ethene hydrogenation, i.e., C-C and/or C-O associative mechanism. Conjugated coordination,  $\eta^4$ (C-C-C-O), has been reported in the group VIII metal complex [29] and this kind of adsorption is possible also on metal surfaces.

Acrolein has two conformers; 2 % is *s*-*cis* and 98 % is *strans* at room temperature. The geometry of atomic arrangement ( $r_s$  structure) was determined by microwave spectroscopy [30]. Figure 1.1 illustrates molecular structure of these two isomers. It is to be noted that C3-H7 bond in *s*-*cis*-acrolein is manifestingly long (1.098 A) comparing with *s*-*trans*-isomer (1.090 A) or ethene (1.086 A,  $r_s$  structure). This offers enough reason for high reactivity of C3-H7 dissociation or substitution of H7 hydrogen of  $n^4$ (C-C-C-O) adsorbate, which is likely to coordinate as *s*-*cis*-conformation. Reaction intermediates and their conversion of D<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>=CHCHO reaction were already discussed [31] before the determination of the molecular structure of *s*-*cis*-

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acrolein. They concluded that the exchange of terminal hydrogen (H7 or H8, not distinguished) of deuterated acrolein resulted from intramolecular H7 hydrogen shift to O4 through substitution by surface deuterium.

#### CH<sub>2</sub> =CHX hydrogenation

The reactivity of C=C bond in acrolein is not identified to that of ethene even in the independent reaction of C=C and C=O due to the C=C electronic state modified by carbonyl. In this context, all the olefins have different behavior in hydrogenation because electronic states, especially LUMO and HOMO, are perturbed by substitutional group, X. [32] Thus the interaction between metal and carbon-carbon double bond, which is usually expressed electron donation and/or backdonation, can be probed by the electron withdrawal character of X. It has been reported that linear free energy relationship (LFER) is observed between Hammett's  $\sigma$  and dissociative constant related to metal-C=C bond in mononuclear group VIII metal complexes in homogeneous system. [33-35] This relation is also valid in metal particle system in principle since the width of metal d-band is usually narrow. In usual hydrogenations on metal, olefinic molecules are compete with hydrogen in adsorption but they are stronger than hydrogen at enough low temperature. It is likely that LFER influences on the rate and kinetics of hydrogenations.

In a probing reaction, X needs its stability in the hydrogenation condition. Preferable set of  $CH_2$  =CHX is chosen as follows;

)

$(CH_2 = CH_2)$	ethene
CH <sub>2</sub> = CHCH <sub>3</sub>	propene
$CH_2 = CHCF_3$	3,3,3-trifluoropropene

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CH<sub>2</sub> =CHCOCH<sub>3</sub> methylvinylketone CH<sub>2</sub> =CHCN acrylonitrile

whose reactivity of X themselves and C-X bonds are lower than CHO in general. Multi-substituted ethene might be possible but in this case the problems happens in the stereochemical hindrance and/or the lack of site of the exchange reaction between H and surface D.

There are other superior probing reactions of metal surface, such as regioselectivity of methylcyclopentane hydrogenolysis [36-39] and selectivity of propene-deuterium exchange [40-41].

1.3 Hydrogenation Kinetics of Heterogeneous Surface

Kinetic investigation is a primary test for the reaction mechanism and appears everywhere in this thesis. Catalytic reactions on a heterogeneous surface need correction and addition to the kinetics of uniform surfaces. General consideration might be useful for understanding of the description in the following chapters.

The simplest case is that the catalytic reaction involves no transfer of adspecies among different regions of surface and no interactions among them. The rate of formation, r, is represented by the sum of the rate of each region, r ...

(1.1)

 $\mathbf{r} = \sum \mathbf{r}_{i}$ Selectivity and isotope distributions should be considered on the base of this equation. (1.1) is very simple but includes an important criterion for the mechanism and active sites. (1.1) can be transformed into Arrhenius type equation with activation energy E, and preexponential factor A; .

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 $r = \Sigma A_i \exp(-E_i x/R), x = T^{-1}$  (1.2)

Differential of (1.2) defines the form of Arrhenius plots.

The situation is more complicated in the reaction with transfer of adspecies among the regions which play a different role in the whole reaction. The discussion here is restricted to the typical hydrogenation of unsaturated molecules, i.e., associative hydrogenation. Usual scheme of associative mechanism on an uniform surface is as follows:

$R + X \rightarrow RX$	(1.5)
$H_2$ + 2X $\rightarrow$ 2HX	(1.6)
$RX + HX \rightarrow RHX + X$	(1.7)
$RHX + HX \rightarrow PX + X$	(1.8)
$PX \rightarrow P + X$	(1.9)
where R is unsaturated compound, P is a product and X is	active
site. The rate is expressed as	
$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{k}_6 \mathbf{P}_{H,2} [\mathbf{X}]_{\mathfrak{g}}^2 / (1 + \mathbf{K}_5 \mathbf{P}_R)^2$	(1.10)
in (1.6) rate-determining,	
$\mathbf{r} = k_7 K_6 K_6 \frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{2} P_{H,2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{2} P_R [X]_0 \frac{2}{2} / (1 + K_R P_R + K_6 \frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{2} P_{H,2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{2}) \frac{2}{2}$	(1.11)
in (1.7) rate-determining or	
$\mathbf{r} = k_8 K_5 K_6 K_7 P_{H_2} P_R [X]_{0^2} / (1 + K_R P_R + K_6 \frac{1}{2} 2 P_{H_2} \frac{1}{2} 2 + K_5 K_7 K_6 \frac{1}{2} 2 P_H$	21×2P <sub>R</sub> )2

(1.12)

in (1.8) rate-determining where  $k_{\rm i}$  and  $K_{\rm i}$  are constants and  $P_{\rm H\,2}$ 

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and  $P_{R}$  are partial pressure of hydrogen and unsaturated compound.  $[X]_{\theta}$  is the number of active site.

If elementary reactions like  $(1.5) \sim (1.9)$  occur active site X and Y, several cases are possible and the formation rate of P should be given for each case. Typical cases are listed as follows with rate-equations.

I. Adsorption sites are different and atomic hydrogen diffuses into R's site.

$H_2$	R	Р	R + Y -	RY	(1.13)
1	1	1	$H_2 + 2X \rightarrow$	2HX	(1.14)
A	*	/	НХ + Ү →	HY + X	(1.15)
Н	H→	R	RY + HY →	RHY + Y	(1.16)
			$RHY + HY \rightarrow$	PY + Y	(1.17)
	x	Y	РҮ →	• P + Y	(1.18)

1. hydrogen adsorption, (1.14), rate-determining  

$$r = k_{1.4} P_{H.2} [X]_{0.2}$$
 (1.19)  
2. hydrogen diffusion, (1.15), rate-determining  
 $r = k_{1.5} K_{1.4} P_{H.2} [X]_{0} [Y]_{0} / (1+K_{1.4} P_{H.2}) (1+K_{1.3} P_{R.})$  (1.20)

3. first hydrogen addition, (1.16), rate-determining

 $r = k_{1\,6} K_{1\,3} K_{1\,5} K_{1\,4} + 2 P_{H\,2} + 2 P_{R} [Y]_{0} + (1 + K_{1\,5} K_{1\,4} + 2 P_{H\,2} + K_{1\,3} P_{R})^{2}$ 

(1.21)

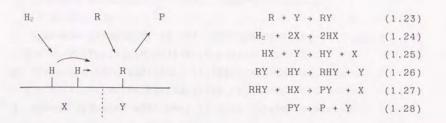
4. second hydrogen addition, (1.17), rate-determining  $r = k_{1.7} K_{1.3} K_{1.4} K_{1.6} {}^{\circ} K_{1.6} P_{H.2} P_R [Y]_{\vartheta} {}^{\circ}$ 

 $/(1+K_{13}P_{R}+K_{15}K_{14}) + 2P_{H2} + K_{13}K_{15}K_{16}K_{14} + 2P_{H2} + 2P_{R}) 2 \quad (1.22)$ 

II. Adsorption sites are different and one atomic hydrogen diffuses into R's site and another hydrogen addition occurs at

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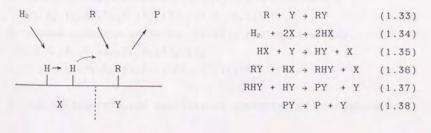
the boundary.



1. hydrogen adsorption, (1.24), rate-determining	
$r = k_{24} P_{H2} [X]_0^2$	(1.29)
2. hydrogen diffusion, (1.25), rate-determining	
$r = k_{25} K_{24} P_{H_2} [X]_0 [Y]_0 / (1 + K_{24} P_{H_2}) (1 + K_{23} P_R)$	(1.30)
3. first hydrogen addition, (1.26), rate-determining	
$\mathbf{r} = k_{26}  K_{25}  K_{25}  K_{24}  ^{1/2}  P_{H2}  ^{1/2}  P_{R}  [Y]_{0}  ^{2}  /  (1 + K_{25}  K_{24}  ^{1/2}  P_{H2}  ^{1/2}  + M_{25}  K_{24}  ^{1/2}  P_{H2}  ^{1/2}  + M_{25}  K_{24}  ^{1/2}  P_{H2}  P_$	K <sub>2 3</sub> P <sub>R</sub> )2

- (1.31)
- 4. second hydrogen addition, (1.27), rate-determining  $r = k_{2.7} K_{2.3} K_{2.4} K_{2.5} K_{2.6} P_{H.2} K_{2.7} P_{R} [X]_{0} [Y]_{0}$   $/(1+K_{2.3} P_{R}+K_{2.5} K_{1.4} K_{2.5} +K_{2.3} K_{2.5} K_{2.6} K_{2.4} K_{2.4} K_{2.7} P_{H.2} K_{2.7} P_{R}) (1+K_{2.4} P_{H.2})$  (1.32)

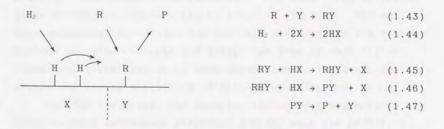
III. Adsorption sites are different and one hydrogen is added at the boundary and another hydrogen diffuses into R's site.



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- 1. hydrogen adsorption, (1.34), rate-determining  $r = k_{3.4} P_{H.2} [X]_0^2$  (1.39)
- 2. hydrogen diffusion, (1.35), rate-determining r = k<sub>35</sub>K<sub>34</sub>P<sub>H2</sub>[X]<sub>0</sub>[Y]<sub>0</sub>/(1+K<sub>34</sub>P<sub>H2</sub>)(1+K<sub>33</sub>P<sub>R</sub>) (1.40) 3. first hydrogen addition, (1.36), rate-determining
  - $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{k}_{3\,6} \, \mathbf{K}_{3\,3} \, \mathbf{K}_{3\,4} \, \mathbf{P}_{H\,2} \, \mathbf{P}_{R} \, [X]_{0} \, [Y]_{0} \, / \, (1 + \mathbf{K}_{3\,3} \, \mathbf{P}_{R}) \, (1 + \mathbf{K}_{3\,4} \, \mathbf{P}_{H\,2}) \tag{1.41}$
  - 4. second hydrogen addition, (1.37), rate-determining  $r = k_{3.7} K_{3.3} K_{3.4} K_{3.6} K_{3.6} P_{H.2} P_{R} [Y]_{0.2}$ 
    - $/(1+K_{33}P_{R}+K_{35}K_{34}^{1/2}P_{H2}^{1/2}+K_{33}K_{36}K_{34}^{1/2}P_{H2}^{1/2}P_{R})^{2} (1.42)$

IV. Adsorption sites are different and hydrogen is added at the boundary.



1. hydrogen adsorption, (1.44), rate-determining	
$r = k_{4 4} P_{H 2} [X]_0^2$	(1.48)
2. first hydrogen addition, (1.46), rate-determining	
$r = k_{45} K_{43} K_{44} P_{H2} P_{R} [X]_0 [Y]_0 / (1 + K_{43} P_{R}) (1 + K_{44} P_{H2})$	(1.49)
3. second hydrogen addition, (1.47), rate-determining	
$r = k_{46} K_{43} K_{44} K_{45} P_{H2} P_{R} [X]_0 [Y]_0$	
$/(1 + K_{43} P_R + K_{43} K_{45} K_{44} \times 2 P_{H2} \times 2)(1 + K_{44} \times 2 P_{H2} \times 2)$	(1.50)

k, and K, are rate and equilibrium constants of corresponding

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elementary steps, respectively. P, is partial pressure of species i.  $[X]_0$  and  $[Y]_0$  are the area or the number of active sites of corresponding region. These cases assumed that one hydrogen atom occupied the same number of active site of an olefin. If it is smaller, the power, n, of  $[X]_0 n/(\cdots )^n$  should be smaller in the equations  $(1.10) \sim (1.12)$ . The same correction holds true for the other equations. Experimental determination of n is not easy and, therefore, the qualitative discussion seems safer in applying equations above.

Rate expression as a function of partial pressure of reactants makes it possible to identify the rate-determining step in principle. It is, however, sometimes difficult to interpret dispersed experimental spots. The other approach is noting  $[X]_{\vartheta}$ and  $[Y]_{\vartheta}$ . The exemplified cases in I ~ IV have three different kinds of factors, namely,  $[X]_{\vartheta}^2$ ,  $[Y]_{\vartheta}^2$  or  $[X]_{\vartheta}[Y]_{\vartheta}$ . Recent physicochemical techniques can not only characterize the state of surface but also estimate and design the area of each region. Therefore, investigation of rate dependence on the area sometimes offers the strong definition of rate-determining step.

In SMSI catalysts, for example, the support migrates on the metal surface as thermal diffusion process when the reduction temperature is enough high. [41] Thus the number of active sites of the migrated support oxide on metal particles,  $[Z]_{B}$ , is presented as a function of reduction time,  $t_{B}$ ;

 $[Z]_{0}$  =  $\alpha t_{R}^{-1/2}$  (1.51)  $\alpha$  is coefficient independent of  $t_{R}$  . That of bare metal surface,  $[X]_{0}$  , is

 $[X]_{\theta} = S_{\theta} - \alpha t_{R^{1/2}}$  (1.52) where  $S_{\theta}$  is the number of active site of non-covered surface. The peripheral site of a migrated support could offer the special

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catalyses and the number of sites is given as

 $[Y]_{0} = \beta t_{R}^{1 \times 4}$  (1.53) where  $\beta$  is constant. Rates under constant pressure of reactants as a function of  $t_{R}$  differentiate three cases of hydrogenation on SMSI catalyst which is one of typical hydrogenation on heterogeneous surface. That is, the factors appearing in the rate equation,  $[X]_{0}^{2}$ ,  $[Y]_{0}^{2}$  and  $[X]_{0}[Y]_{0}$ , are substituted by (1.51)~(1.53);

$$\begin{split} & [X]_{\theta}{}^2 = S_{\theta}{}^2 - 2\alpha S_{\theta} t_{R}{}^{1/2} + \alpha^2 t_{R} & (1.54) \\ & [Y]_{\theta}{}^2 = \beta^2 t_{R}{}^{1/2} & (1.55) \\ & [X]_{\theta} [Y]_{\theta} = \beta S_{\theta} t_{R}{}^{1/4} - \alpha \beta t_{R}{}^{3/4} & (1.56) \\ & \text{The activity of the site on the migrated support is usually low} \\ & \text{and negligible. (1.54) is monotonously decreasing because } t_{R} > \\ & S_{\theta} / 2\alpha \text{ (because of } [X]_{\theta} > 0) \text{ and (1.55) is monotonous increasing} \\ & \text{while (1.56) has a maximum at } t_{R} = S_{\theta}{}^2 / 9\alpha^2 \text{ ([X]}_{\theta} = 2S_{\theta} / 3). \end{split}$$

three functions are easily distinguishable as shown in Figure 1.3.

Kinetical investigation is essential for the reaction mechanism of catalysis on non-uniform surface in the classical view and the modern view; it is the first test for the site identification for the elementary steps including ratedetermining step. In other words, it is possible that the elementary steps and surface heterogeneity bind together through kinetic study.

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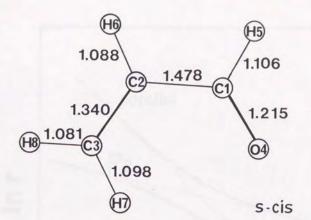
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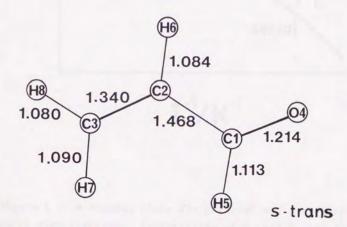
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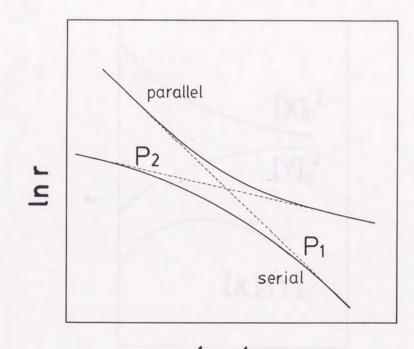
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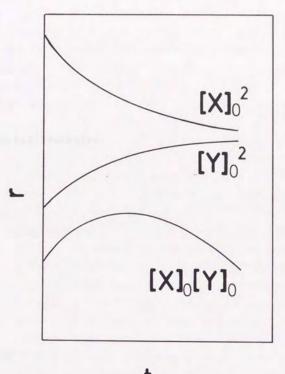
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Figure 1.1 Atomic numbering scheme and bond lengths for s-cis acrolein and s-trans-acrolein.



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Figure 1.2 Arrhenius plots for parallel and serial processes of multi-step reaction. Broken lines of  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are elementary steps. Observed Arrhenius plots for parallel reaction-system, such as multi-active sites, is presented as upper line and serial step-system, such as adsorption  $\rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_2 \rightarrow$  desorption, is presented as lower line.



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Figure 1.3 Hydrogenation rate of possible reaction types on SMSI catalyst. Rates are represented by reduction time of catalysts,  $t_R$ .  $[X]_0$  and  $[Y]_0$  appear in the rate equations and represent the number of active sites of different region. It is possible to distinguish the reaction mechanism by interpretation of the shape of  $r(t_R)$ .

Chapter 2

Experimental Procedure

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Each chapter has a section about methods of experiments and data analysis. Nevertheless, it is still useful for understanding the experiments and for the interpretation of the results to describe general aspect of the techniques.

2.1 Catalyst Preparation and Set-ups for Catalytic Reactions

All catalysts were prepared by impregnation method of aqueous solution of metal salts, which was not expected to give defined molecular structure like attached metal catalysts [1]. These "non-tailored catalysts" are rather preferable to the aim; the surface heterogeneity can not be within an expect. Reagents are described in each chapter.

Particle size, which was to be average size, was estimated by transmission electron microscopy (TEM) and hydrogen adsorption measurement. Data obtained by these two methods can be related by ref 2. If the gap is observed between two, an extraordinary effect, such as abnormal particle shape or poisoning, should be taken into account. Catalytic reactions were carried out below ambient pressure in an closed circulating system. (dead volume: 150 cm<sup>3</sup>) The background pressure was 10<sup>-4</sup> Pa. Gas chromatograph (GC-6A, Shimadzu, with TCD detector) and quadrupole mass spectrometer (AQA-100R, ANELVA) connected to it in order to determine the gas composition of the system. Each sampling volume was 2 %. Data were accumulated with chromatopac (C-R3A, Shimadzu) for GC-6A and floppy discs in personal computer (PC-9801UX21, NEC) through GP-1B interface.

2.2 Product Analysis

Products were separated chemically and analyzed quantitatively with gas chromatography. Separating columns used were Molecular Sieve 5A, VZ-10 and PEG-1500. Product range were within 10<sup>4</sup>, which is well in the TCD linearity. Isotopes were distinguished by quadrupole mass spectrometry after separation by a column. The identification of the isotopes should be commented.

## Ethane and Ethene

Ethanes and ethenes were ones of the first compounds distinguished isotopically in catalytic chemistry. [3] Methods which was applied in the research is valid for most cases still today.

Isotopic effects appeared between C-D and C-H cleavage are negligible. Thus the branching patterns of all ethanes,  $C_2 H_6$ ,  $C_2 H_6 D$ ,  $C_2 H_4 D_2$ ,  $C_2 H_5 D_3$ ,  $C_2 H_2 D_4$ ,  $C_2 HD_5$  and  $C_2 D_6$  are obtained through the analysis of fragmentation of  $C_2 H_6$ . Mass spectrum charts of the reaction gas are analyzed through the fitting of all these patterns. Isotopes of ethene are analyzed by a similar way.

This method can be applied for all compounds, not only for hydrocarbons, in principle. There is an isotope effect for the aldehydic hydrogen cleavage, that is,  $p_D/p_H = 0.95$  where  $p_D =$  $(RC=0)^+/(RCDO)^+$  and  $p_H = (RC=0)^+/(RCHO)^+$ , which was detected in the  $d_H$ -propanal/ $l-d_1$ -propanal after the exchange reaction of  $D_2$ -CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CHO on Pd/SiO<sub>2</sub>. The formation of CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CDO was confirmed by infrared spectroscopic detection of the shift of aldehydic hydrogen.

#### Oxygen Containing Molecules

The atomic numbering of C3-oxygenates hereafter is 3C-2C-1C-O or

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T C-B C-a C-O.

Some model compounds are chosen for the molecular ion cleavages.

(1)  $CH_2 = CHBr$  for  $CH_2 = CH^+$  (distributed as 24 ~ 27 in m/z) (2)  $CH_3 CH_2 Br$  for  $CH_3 CH_2$ . (distributed as 24 ~ 29 in m/z) (3)  $CH_2 = CHCH_2 Br$  for  $CH_2 = CHCH_2$ . (distributed as 36 ~ 41 in m/z) and (4)  $CH_2 = CHCH = CH_2$  for  $CH_2 = CHCH^+$  (distributed as 36 ~ 40 in m/z). The last distribution chart is obtained with subtraction by that of (3) from the law distribution of corresponding region. Mass spectrum charts are divided for four regions as for each compound; m/z = 12 ~ 23, m/z = 24 ~ 35, m/z = 36 ~ 51 and m/z = 52 ~ represent region I, region II, region III and region IV, respectively. Molecular ions under consideration belong to one region. Molecular ions and ions with no skeleton cleavages appear in Region IV. Region II is dominated by the  $\alpha$ - $\beta$  cleavage due to the small contribution of  $\beta$ - $\gamma$  and 0- $\alpha$  simultaneous cleavage. As for region III, both of  $\beta$ - $\gamma$  and 0- $\alpha$  cleavages contribute.

The analysis of acrolein is based on five ions and their fragment ions,  $CH_2 = CH^{\circ}$ ,  $CH=0^{\circ}$  (Region II),  $CH_2 = CHCH^{\circ}$ ,  $CH-CH=0^{\circ}$ (Region III) and  $CH_2 = CHCH=0^{\circ}$  (Region IV). The spectrum pattern of  $m/z = 24 \sim 27$  agrees that of (1). The fragmentation of  $CH_2 = CHCH^{\circ}$  is assumed to be the same as (4) and the subtraction of  $CH_2 = CHCH^{\circ}$  pattern from the chart of region III offers the pattern of  $CH-CH=0^{\circ}$ . The isotopes of every ion and fragment is calculated in the similar way with ethane and ethene. The spectra of the reaction gas under investigation are divided into the each isotopic species in each region to determine the isotope distribution of ions. The number of deuterium sited on each carbon is determined as follows;

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$\alpha$ -d(aldehydic deuterium)	=	n <sub>e B T</sub>	-	$n_{\beta,\tau}$	(or	=	n <sub>0 a</sub> )	(	2.1)	
ß-d	=	nowe	-	no «				(	2.2)	

 $\gamma$ -d(terminal deuterium) =  $n_T - n_{0 \ \alpha \ \beta}$  (2.3) where  $n_{1,j \ k,1}$  is the number of deuterium in the skeleton  $\tau C_{-\beta} C_{-\alpha} C_{-0}$ and its fragments.  $n_T$  represents the total number of deuterium included in the molecule, i.e., equals to  $n_{0 \ \alpha \ \beta \ \tau}$ . Isotope distribution of ions is attributed to that of molecule.

Propanal is considered with dividing the chart into region I, region II and region IV which reflects  $\beta - \gamma$  cleavage (CH<sub>3</sub>·),  $\alpha - \beta$  cleavage (CH<sub>3</sub> CH<sub>2</sub>· and CH=O<sup>,</sup>, the former is assumed to be the same as (2) and the latter is derived by subtraction of the fragmentation of the former) and the molecular ion (CH<sub>3</sub> CH<sub>2</sub> CH=O<sup>,</sup>), respectively. The pattern of region I is almost the same as that of CH<sub>3</sub>Br. The number of deuterium on each carbon atom and oxygen is calculated as follows;

a-d(aldehydic deuterium)	n <sub>0 α</sub>	(2.4)
β-d	$n_{\beta \gamma} - n_{\gamma}$	(2.5)
<pre>γ-d(terminal deuterium)</pre>	nγ	(2.6)

The analysis of allyl alcohol needs region II, region III and region IV, which reflects  $\alpha - \beta$  cleavage (CH<sub>2</sub> =CH<sup>+</sup>, CH<sub>2</sub>OH<sup>+</sup>), O- $\alpha$ and  $\beta - \gamma$  cleavage (CH<sub>2</sub> =CHCH<sub>2</sub> + and CHCH<sub>2</sub>OH<sup>+</sup>, respectively, the former is assumed to be the same as (3) and the latter is derived by subtraction of the fragmentation of the former), and molecular ion, respectively. Mass region of m/z = 24 ~ 27 is almost the same as that of acrolein and (1). The number of deuterium on each carbon atom and oxygen is calculated as follows;

O-d(alcoholic deuterium)	$= n_{T} - n_{\alpha \beta \gamma}$	(2.7)
a-d	= $n_{\alpha \beta \gamma}$ - $n_{\beta \gamma}$	(2.8)
β-d	= $n_{0 \alpha \beta}$ - $n_{0 \alpha}$	(2.9)

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 $\gamma$ -d(terminal deuterium) =  $n_T - n_{0.6.8}$  (2.10) These analyses are confirmed by mass spectrum charts of several compounds prepared or purchased, such as CH<sub>3</sub> CH<sub>2</sub> CD=0 and CH<sub>2</sub>=CHCH<sub>2</sub> OD. The maximum difference was ca. 20 %. This offers errors and confidence of determination of isotope distributions by means of the mass spectra analyses.

#### 2.3 Spectroscopy

Spectroscopic techniques are widely applied to catalyst characterization and reaction dynamics on solid surface today. Infrared spectroscopy (IR) is one of the most prevailed tools in laboratory and X-ray photoemission spectroscopy (XPS) is also available everywhere. On the other hand, X-ray absorption spectroscopy (XAS) usually needs a large facility, synchrotron, as a light source in order to gain good spectra. It was necessary in the experiment of following chapters that X-ray absorption near-edge structure (XANES) were measured at Photon Factory of National Laboratory for High Energy Physics (KEK-PF).

The absorption by the molecular vibration of adsorbates on metal catalysts is detectable with IR spectrometer. In the following chapters FT/IR-7000 (JASCO) was used with 2 cm<sup>-1</sup> of resolution in order to elucidate the kinds of adsorbates and their reactivity. The catalysts were molded into disks after calcination and mounted in the quartz-made IR cell connected with a gas circulating system.

XPS is a probe detecting kinetic energy of electron emitted from the material. The transmission ability of electron is low and it makes XPS surface-sensitive. This is quite preferable in some cases but at the same time it is impossible to use in the

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gas reactants, which constructs a large barrier for the study of catalytic reaction. Anyway, XPS is a very convenient tool for the surface composition of the catalyst just before reactions.

XAS is a photon-using probe and, consequently, it can be a investigating tool for catalysts under gas of large pressure. XANES clarify the stereochemistry of the local structure of an element under discussion and the electronic state of the element when its data are analyzed adequately. Especially white lines of transition metals reflect small change of the electronic state of atoms. [4] XAS is not surface sensitive and detect the atoms in largest number among various states or the average state of the atoms. This sometimes offers crucial problems in the interpretation of spectra in the study of heterogeneous catalysts.

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# Chapter 3

Local Reaction Environments and their Properties for Ethene Deuteration on the Surfaces of SMSI Catalysts

Catalysis by noble metals supported on TiO2 or Nb2O6 has attracted considerable interest in relation to strong metalsupport interaction (SMSI) phenomena as well as surface chemistry, in order to inspect physicochemical properties controlling metal catalysis. [1, 2] Numerous authors have pointed out the characteristic features of SMSI states of catalysts, such as a reduction in the hydrogenation activity for alkenes, [3, 4] a drastic decrease in hydrogenolysis activity [4. 5] and a unique product distribution in CO hydrogenation. [6, 7] These changes or modifications in catalysis are believed to derived from the presence of TiO, or NbO, that has migrated onto the metal surface, and hence the large part of SMSI catalysis is inclined to be due to a blockage by TiO, or NbO, on the metal surface, [5, 8-12] the destruction of the ensemble required for activity, [5] or an adsorbate-Tin+ interaction in the periphery of migrated TiO,, which is assumed to be an important intermediate for enhanced hydrogenation. [13-15]

Catalytic reactions are generally composed of several surface processes (such as adsorption or desorption, the diffusion/transport of adsorbates, and surface reactions in which more than one adsorbed species participate in) which are affected by the structures and environments at the surface in a different manner. Catalysis by SMSI catalysts, therefore, includes the interaction between active site and reaction intermediates, the relationship between surface processes and specific structures/ environments on the metal surfaces, and the transport of adsorbates and catalyst (TiO, or NbO,).

These physical and chemical (electronic) factors are likely to be common among metal catalyses involving promoters. A study of catalysis by SMSI catalysts showing characteristic features

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may provide a deeper understanding of the essential factors involved in metal catalyses and the reaction environments on metal surfaces, in addition to information on the development of active multifunctional metal catalysts. This chapter presents an investigation of the role of NbO, species in ethene deuteration on  $Ir/Nb_2O_5$  and  $Rh/Nb_2O_5$  which shows that NbO, diffused onto the metal surface brings about not only a modification of the stability of the reaction intermediates but also a differentiation between two reaction environments with different local ratios of hydrogen/deuterium on the surface.

### 3.1 Experimental

Supported rhodium and iridium catalysts were prepared by conventional impregnation of  $Nb_2O_6$  with an aqueous solution of  $RhCl_8 \cdot 3H_2O$  or  $IrCl_8 \cdot 1.5H_2O(Soekawa chemical, Co., Ltd. 99.9 %)$ followed by drying for 3 h at 393 K and calcination for 2 h at 773 K. The metal loadings were 2.0 and 2.4 wt% for  $Rh/Nb_2O_6$  and  $Ir/Nb_2O_6$ , respectively. The catalysts were pretreated with oxygen for 1 h at 673 K, followed by evacuation for 30 min, and reduced for 1 h at 433 K for the low-temperature reduced (LTR) catalyst or at 773 K (for high-temperature reduced (HTR) catalyst, followed by evacuation for 30 min *in situ* before each catalytic reaction. The particle sizes of the supported metals was estimated by hydrogen chemisorption at room temperature, transmission electron microscopy (TEM) and X-ray diffraction (XRD). No surface chloride was detected by XPS on the reduced catalyst.

Ethene, purchased from Takachiho Trading Co., Ltd. (99.9%), Was purified by freeze-thaw cycles. Hydrogen and deuterium gases

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of research grade were further purified through a molecular-sieve trap at 77 K.

The reactions of  $D_2$  with ethene,  $H_2$  with ethene and a  $D_2-H_2$ mixture with ethene were carried out in a closed circulating system (dead volume 150 cm<sup>3</sup>) in the temperature range 210-321 K. A small portion of the reaction gas during the reaction was analysed at intervals by gas chromatography using a VZ-10 column. Deuterated products in the  $D_2$ -ethene reaction were also analysed by mass spectrometry after the separation with VZ-10.

3.2 Results and Discussion

### Kinetic Behavior

The average particle sizes of the catalysts determined by  $H_2$  chemisorption, TEM and XRD are shown in Table 3.1. The H/M of HTR for both  $Rh/Nb_2O_5$  and  $Ir/Nb_2O_5$  were almost zero compared with those for LTR catalysts, agreed with the literature. Except for this, all values are in good agreement when a 1:1 stoichiometry for H/Rh or H/Ir and a spherical shape were assumed in determining particle sizes by  $H_2$  chemisorption. Significant differences between LTR and HTR catalysts were not found in the TEM and XRD results, which suggests that metal particle sizes were not altered significantly by high-temperature reduction.

Figure 3.1 shows Arrhenius plots for total ethane formation in the  $D_2$ -ethene reaction and for HD formation in the  $D_2$ - $H_2$ ethene reaction on  $Rh/Nb_2O_5$ . The rates on the LTR catalyst are normalized by H/M to present the turnover frequencies (the activity of each surface Rh atom), where the rates for the HTR catalyst are also normalized on the same scale as that of the LTR catalyst; this avoids the large error derived from the division

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of the observed rates by the very small H/M value for HTR. When the rate of ethane formation is compared with that of HD formation, the latter should be reduced to half. The activation energy for HD formation (17 kJ.mol-1) on the LTR catalyst was almost the same as that for ethane formation (16 kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup>). These were also similar to those for the HTR catalyst (17 and 17 kJ.mol<sup>-1</sup>). In contrast, on the HTR-Ir/Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> the activation energies for both ethane and HD formation, 3 and 2 kJ·mol-1, respectively, were much smaller than those for the  $HTR-Ir/Nb_2O_5$ , 22 and 23 kJ·mol-1, respectively, as shown in Figure 3.2(a) and (b). The activation energies, 19 and 0 kJ·mol-1, for ethane formation in the H2-ethene reaction on the LTR and HTR catalysts, respectively, were a little smaller than those for ethane formation in the D2-ethene reaction. The activation energies for HD and ethane formation were almost the same as on Rh/Nb2O5, as in Figure 3.2.

The rate-determining step in ethene deuteration under the present experimental condition is suggested to be the dissociation of  $D_2$  because the activation energy for ethane formation agrees well with that of HD formation and it is positive. This holds true for both LTR and HTR catalysts. There is an isotopic effect observed in ethane formation in Figure 3.2, which may be ascribed to the difference between  $H_2$  and  $D_2$  in the energy barrier for the dissociation.

The difference in the activation energies for LTR- and HTR-Ir/Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> observed in Figure 3.2 suggests a large modification of the electronic state of the metal surface by SMSI including the alternation of metal ensembles of active sites. In contrast, a change in activation energy was not observed with  $Rh/Nb_2O_5$  in Figure 3.1, where the SMSI phenomenon with the suppression of

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reaction rates appears as 'site blocking' by inactive migrated species in this system.

The difference observed between Ir and Rh may arise from the difference in their particle sizes, or more likely in the strength and morphologic features of their SMSI. Similar differences in SMSI phenomena between different metals has been reported in benzene hydrogenation on Rh/TiO<sub>2</sub> and Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub>. [3]

The catalytic activity of the HTR-Ir/Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub> catalyst was higher than that of the LTR catalyst for ethane hydrogenation and  $H_2$ -D<sub>2</sub> exchange at lower temperatures, in spite of the large decrease in the number of active Ir sites estimated from the H/M. In other words, the Ir sites for hydrogen dissociation are activated by NbO<sub>2</sub> that has migrated onto the Ir metal surface in the SMSI state.

## Deuteroethane Distribution

The deuterium distributions (relative amounts) in deuteroethane produced at the initial stage of the  $D_2$ -ethene reaction are summarized in Tables 3.2 and 3.3. On Rh/Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> the order of population was  $d_2 > d_1 \ge d_0$  for LTR catalyst, whereas the order  $d_0$ ,  $d_2 > d_1$  was observed for HTR catalyst. Also in the case of  $Ir/Nb_2O_5$  the population of deuteroethane formed was in the order  $d_2 > d_1 > d_0$  for LTR catalyst but  $d_0$ ,  $d_2 > d_1$  for HTR catalyst.

The compositions of  $H_2$ , HD and  $D_2$  in the gas phase in the initial stage of the  $D_2$ -ethene reaction on Rh/Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> and Ir/Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> are also listed in Tables 3.2 and 3.3. These results demonstrate that the change in the deuterium population of ethane on the LTR and HTR catalysts is not derived from the isotopic compositions of hydrogen in the gas phase during the deuteration of ethene. Very small amounts of deuteroethene comparing to deuteroethane

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were observed in the gas phase.

The distribution of deuteroethane reflects the stability of the intermediates of ethane deuteration. The population must be ordered, with  $d_2 > d_1 > d_0$  or  $d_0 > d_1 > d_2$ , when the reaction occurs on only one type of active site with uniform reaction environment. [16-18] In fact, Rh/Al2O3 and Ir/Al2O3 have been classified as a  $d_2 > d_1 > d_0$  group at the reaction temperatures where the ratedetermining step is the dissociation of hydrogen. [19, 20] The results for the LTR catalyst agreed with those for Rh/Al2O3 and Ir/Al203; the singular distribution of HTR catalyst suggests that ethane is formed on at least two different kinds of sites. One site may be preferable for the formation of d2-ethane and the other site for the formation of de-ethane. It is natural that the latter sites should be newly generated by the hightemperature prereduction, while the former sites should exist originally on the metal surface and might be modified a little in the SMSI state.

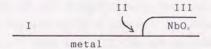
The population of deuteroethane must also reflect the populations of hydrogen and deuterium atoms on the metal surface. In order to obtain structural information in these sites, the rates of the formation of each deuterated species in the  $D_2$  ethene reaction were examined as a function of the hightemperature pretreatment (reduction) time of  $Rh/Nb_2O_6$ . (Figure 3.3) There was an optimum value for  $d_0$ -ethane formation at ca. 50 min. The rate of  $d_1$ -ethane formation also had a maximum at ca. 45 min reduction time, but the peak was smaller than that for  $d_0$ -ethane formation. In the case of  $d_2$ -ethane, the rate decreased monotonously with reduction, as shown in Figure 3.3. The slope of the curve for  $d_0$ -ethane formation was more gentle than that for the  $d_2$ -ethane formation and, consequently, the

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reaction rates after the longer prereduction of catalyst were inverted, to form  $d_{\vartheta}$ -ethane as a main product. Thus the presence of NbO. that has migrated onto the metal surfaces during the high-temperature reduction has a profound effect on the distribution of deuteroethane.

The rate of HD formation in the  $D_2 - H_2$  -ethene reaction is also plotted as a function of the catalyst reduction time in Figure 3.3. In contrast to the deuterated ethanes, the curve for HD formation decreased monotonously, but convex downward. The values of H/M (the number of chemisorbed hydrogen atoms divided by the number of metal atoms included in the catalysts) are also plotted against reduction time in Figure 3.3. The curve for HD formation is similar to that for the H/M value in its dependence on the reduction time.

Surface Reaction Sites Generated in the SMSI State The degree of the migration of suboxide onto the metal surface in SMSI catalysts has been reported to be proportional to the square root of the reduction time. [5, 9] There should be three different reaction environments on the metal surface in the migration model for SMSI-metal/Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> systems, the bare metal surface (I), the perimeter of migrated NbO<sub>4</sub> (II) and the NbO<sub>4</sub> surface (III), as follows:



Assuming that NbO, migrates onto the metal according to a diffusion process with self-similarity, the area of each environment can be written as a function of the high-temperature

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reduction time  $(t_R)$  in the following equations: site I (on metal) :  $S_1(t_R) = S_0 - \alpha t_R^{1/2}$ (3.1)site II (periphery):  $S_{11}(t_R) = \beta t_R^{1/4}$ (3.2)site III (on oxide) :  $S_{111}(t_R) = \alpha t_R^{1/2}$ (3.3)where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the constants related with diffusion coefficient and  $S_{\theta} = S_1(0)$ . The oxidation states of migrated Nb species have been suggested to be Nb2+, Nb3+ or Nb4+. [21] It is difficult, however, to characterize NbO, at the metal surface precisely in the present systems. Nevertheless, the ethene hydrogenation activities of the Nb, and Nb3, species supported on SiO2 or TiO2 were negligible [22] under the present conditions, and the Nb<sup>5+</sup> monomer [22] and Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> were inactive. It is likely that  $S_{111}$  does not contribute to the reaction.

The behavior of H/M, monotonous decreasing convex function, confirms the applicability of the  $(3.1) \sim (3.3)$  equations based on thermal diffusion process of NbO. And HD formation belongs to the same category, which suggests that deuterium adsorption step occurs on site I.

Site I and site II would retain the metallic nature so that the produced ethane would be smeared isotopically on both sites. The site for  $d_0 > d_1 > d_2$  distribution should reflect the  $d_0$ ethane formation most (in Figure 3.3) and it is to be site II because site I should be decreasing function as demonstrated in (3.1). Equations (3.1), (3.2) and (3.3) are coincident with (1.52), (1.53) and (1.51), respectively, and the discussion in chapter 1 can be applied to this system. Unfortunately,  $[S_1][S_{1,1}]$  and  $[S_{1,1}]^2$  (for site II) can not be distinguished one another in the combination with  $[S_1]^2$  (for site I) because both combinations could give a maximum in  $t_R$  variation. But at least, for the reaction on site II, adsorption of hydrogen is not rate-

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determining (In this case, r is proportional to  $[S_1]^2$  and it never shows a maximum, assuming the number of site is overwhelming factor in the rate.) First hydrogen addition and interfacial reactions should be excluded from the ratedetermining step because  $d_0$ -ethane is formed mainly at site II which is produce with isotopic dilution through hydrogen shuffling on site II. The most probable rate-determining step is, therefore, concluded to be I-2, i.e. hydrogen diffusion from site I to site II. This suggests that activation energy of this step agrees with that of deuterium adsorption or the contribution of this step did not appear in Arrhenius plot of HTR-Rh/Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> behind the formation on site I in Figure 3.1 due to small T-1 range.

The importance of peripheral site for the catalytic reaction has been reported also in CO hydrogenation. TiO, /Rh foil has been demonstrated to show the maximum activity for methane formation in certain coverage of TiO, [23] It has not been clarified whether the kinetics including activation energy changed after decoration of TiO, but this study support the different catalytic function of peripheral site proposed here.

Active Sites and Reaction Environments for Ethene Deuteration on SMSI Catalysts

While the static interaction of adsorbed species and surface structure has been extensively studied, there have been few studies which refer to the surface dynamic environments during catalysis, including the relationship between structures and isotopic concentrations at the surface. As already discussed, there are two characteristic sites in ethene deuteration on SMSI catalysts. On site I, the bare metal surface, D<sub>2</sub> dissociates and

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ethene is associatively adsorbed, and on site II, the periphery of migrated NbOx, only ethene is adsorbed to interact with deuterium/hydrogen atoms transported from site I. Under the conditions that D2 dissociation and the diffusion are slow steps, the interconversion between associatively adsorbed ethene and half-hydrogenated species (and hence hydrogen exchange in ethene) readily occurs to dilute the deuterium on the surface. The surface isotopic ratio of deuterium concentration to hydrogen concentration may thus be different between site I and site II. The fact that  $d_0$  -ethane was the predominant product in the  $D_2$  ethene reaction on site II in the SMSI catalyst indicates that the isotopic ratio (surface D/H) was significantly low at the NbO. periphery. On the other hand, since d2-ethane is main product on site I, the isotopic ratio (surface D/H) is considered to be large. In other words, the two sites are situated in different 'deuterium reserver' for site II in the SMSI state. A schematic model for ethene deuterogenation on Rh/Nb2 O5 is illustrated in Figure 3.4. This model may also fit Ir/Nb205 because of the similar phenomena shown in Table 3.2 and 3.3. [24]

The catalytic activity is controlled by the hydrogendissociation process and diffusion, which is affected by both the number of sites and the electronic state of site I. There is no enhancement by SMSI for hydrogen dissociation on  $Rh/Nb_2O_5$ , while for  $Ir/Nb_2O_5$  an enhancement was observed by a modification of the electronic state of the Ir metal, accompanied by a reduction in the activation energy. In contrast to the activity, the selectivity (relative population of deuteroethanes) is affected by the nature of site II at the perimeter of the NbO, island.

There may be two kinds of effects which the NbO, island

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provides. One is a short-range effect which can exert an influence sat only one or two atom distances from the periphery, and the other is a long-range effect which causes an electronic modification of the metal surface. The importance of short-range influences by the hetero-adatom has been pointed out both experimentally [23] and theoretically [24, 25]. This influence may change the relative stability of the  $\pi$ - and di- $\sigma$ intermediates in the D2-ethene reaction and suppress deuterium adsorption on metal atoms in the periphery of NbO. . In contrast, the long-range effect may be weak, because no change in kinetic parameters was observed with LTR- and HTR-Rh/Nb2O5 under the present reaction conditions. For Ir/Nb205 it was positive for hydrogen or deuterium dissociation, since the energy barrier for dissociation was reduced. The difference between Rh and Ir in the enhancement of  $H_2 - D_2$  exchange and ethene hydrogenation in the SMSI state may be of interest. The phenomena observed on the Rh/Nb205 and Ir/Nb205 catalysts in the SMSI state may be more or less common to general metal catalysis with promoters.

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Table 3.1 Estimation of average particle size (nm)

			H/Mª	TEM	XRD
Rh/Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	LTR	10	(0.11)	9.8	9.3
	HTR		(0.01)	10.2	9.6
Ir/Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	LTR	4.0	(0.31)	4.2	4.2
	HTR		(0.00)	4.4	4.1

a: The particle sizes calculated from H/M values given in parentheses.

Table 3.2 Percentage distributions of deuteroethanes and gasphase hydrogen formed in the initial stage of the  $D_2$ -ethene reaction on Rh/Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>

	T/K	dø	d,	d <sub>2</sub>	d <sub>3</sub>	$d_4$	$\mathrm{H}_{2}$ a	HD
LTR	210	30	28	42	0	0	0	2
	220	27	26	42	5	0	0	2
	233	11	23	60	5	1	1	3
HTR	213	51	8	41	0	0	0	0
	230	49	12	39	0	0	0	1
	253	48	15	37	0	0	0	1

The  $d_{\theta} - d_4$  distributions are the values at the extrapolation to 0 % conversion. a: Values at 5 % conversion in ethene deuterogenation. The residual percentage is due to  $D_2$ .

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ſ/K	dø	d <sub>1</sub>	d2				
			42	d <sub>3</sub>	d <sub>4</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> a	HDa
250	14	36	50	0	0	0	0
263	19	33	48	0	0	0	0
273	24	31	45	0	0	0	0
259	50	10	40	0	0	0	0
273	46	8	46	0	0	0	0
292	42	11	47	0	0	0	0

Table 3.3 Percentage distributions of deuteroethanes and gasphasehydrogen formed in the initial stage of the  $D_e$ -ethene reaction on Ir/Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>

The  $d_{\theta} - d_4$  distributions are the values at the extrapolation to 0 % conversion. a: Values at 5 % conversion in ethene deuterogenation. The residual percentage is due to  $D_2$ .

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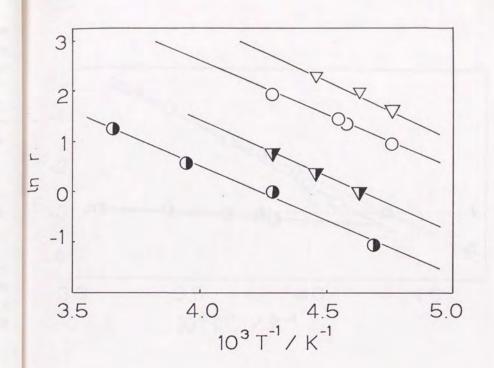


Figure 3.1 Arrehnius plots for ethane formation in the  $D_2$ -ethene reaction ( $P_{D_2} = P_{CH2+CH2} = 1.1$  kPa) and HD formation ( $P_{H2} = P_{D2} = 0.53$  kPa and  $P_{CH2+CH2} = 1.1$  kPa) in the  $H_2-D_2$ -ethene reaction on Rh/Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>;  $\bigcirc$ , ethane formation on the LTR catalyst;  $\bigcirc$ , HD formation on the LTR catalyst;  $\bigcirc$ , ethane formation on the HTR catalyst. The rates were normalized by the H/M value for the LTR catalyst.

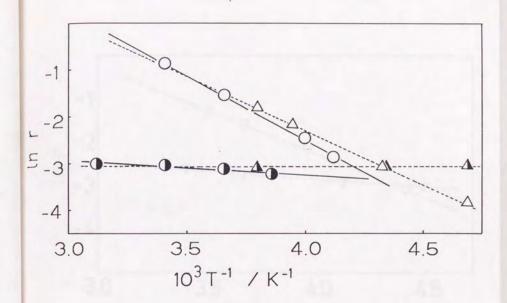


Figure 3.2 (a) Arrehnius plots for ethane formation in deutration and hydrogenation of ethene on  $Ir/Nb_2O_5$ :  $\bigcirc$ ,  $D_2$ -ethene reaction on the LTR catalyst;  $\bigcirc$ ,  $D_2$ -ethene reaction on the HTR catalyst;  $\triangle$ ,  $H_2$ -ethene reaction on the LTR catalyst;  $\triangle$ ,  $H_2$ -ethene reaction on the HTR catalyst. The rates are normalized by the H/M value for the LTR catalyst.  $P_{D,2} = P_{CH,2=CH,2} = 1.1$  kPa.

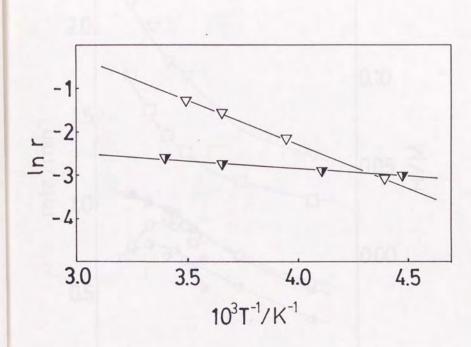
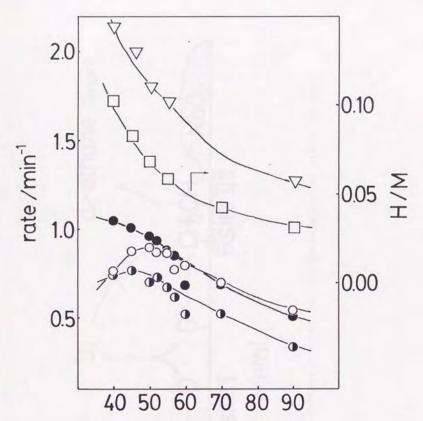
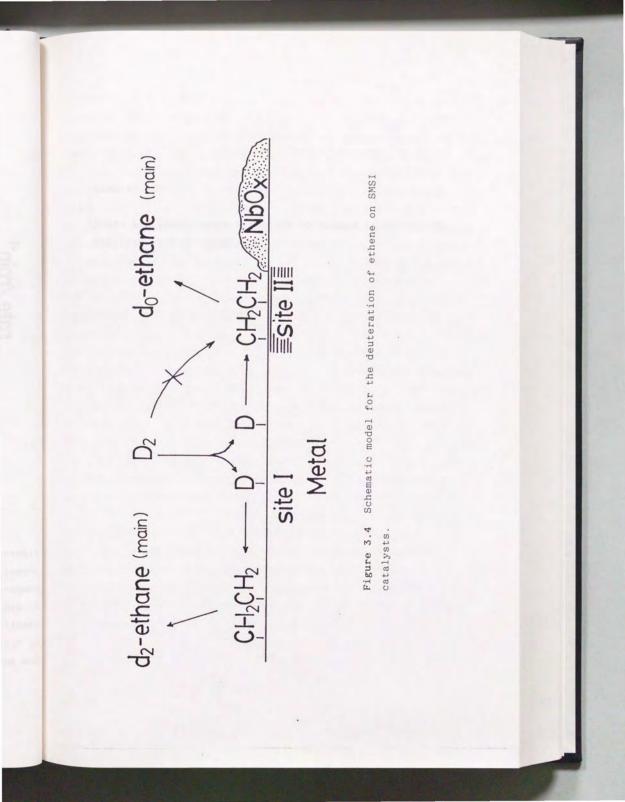


Figure 3.2 (b) Arrhenius plots for HD formation in the  $H_2 - D_2$  ethene reaction on  $Ir/Nb_2O_5$ ;  $\bigtriangledown$ ,LTR;  $\blacktriangledown$ ,HTR. The rates are normalized by the H/M value for the LTR catalyst.  $P_{H,2} = P_{D,2} =$ 0.53 kPa and  $P_{C,H,2=C,H,2} = 1.1$  kPa.



# reduct. time / min

Figure 3.3 Reaction rates for each deuteroethane and HD formaiton on Rh/Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> and H/M values as a function of the hightemperature pretreatment (reduction) time of the catalyst:  $\bigcirc$ ,  $d_a$ -ethane;  $\bigcirc$ ,  $d_1$ -ethane;  $\bigcirc$ ,  $d_2$ -ethane;  $\bigtriangledown$ , HD;  $\square$ , H/M; reaction temperature, 216 K; catalyst reduction temperature, 673 K;  $P_{D,2} = P_{CH,2=CH,2} = 1.1$  kPa for ethane formation,  $P_{H,2} = P_{D,2} = 0.53$ kPa and  $P_{CH,2=CH,2} = 1.1$  kPa for HD formation.



# Chapter 4

Long- and Short-range Promotion by Sodium in  $D_2$  -CH $_2$  =CH $_2$  Reaction over Pt Catalysts

The promoted catalysts have been reported to offer unique catalytic performance/phenomenon and unique microscopic reaction features induced by second elements. [1-3] Among them, alkali metals may result in a considerable modification of metal surface, due to the alternation of surface electronic structure by charge transfer. It has been demonstrated to reduce the strength of the adsorption of  $CH_2 = CH_2$  [4-6] and  $C_6 H_6$  [7] or to strengthen the adsorption of CO [8, 9] and NO [10]. The activation energy of CO hydrogenation decreases in the presence of alkali-metal, which is related to a large red shift of C-O stretching frequency. [11] In addition to the electronic modification of surface, several authors have pointed out short range effects of additives on adsorbates experimentally [12, 13] or theoretically [14, 15].

Metal catalysis is a dynamic process at the surface including short- and long-range interaction between adsorbates and additives. It is necessary for the microscopic clarification of alkali-metal additive effect in catalysis to investigate the reaction mechanism relating to surface structures reflecting the working state.

Chapter 3 demonstrated the local environments of reaction sites and the reaction mechanism of hydrogenations on SMSI catalysts,  $Rh/Nb_eO_8$  and  $Ir/Nb_eO_8$ . On these SMSI catalysts the electronic modification of metal surfaces and the cooperative catalysis by two kinds of sites have been observed. In this chapter, the mechanism of  $D_e$ -ethene reaction on Na-promoted Pt/SiO<sub>e</sub> catalysts is presented in order to understand the microscopic surface states and the short- and long-range effects of Na additives in relation to the genesis of essential factors for catalysis of promoters.

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# 4.1. Methods

SiO2-supported platinum catalysts were prepared by a conventional impregnation method using aqueous solution of HePtCl6 .6HeO (Soekawa Chemical Co.) or by co-impregnation with aqueous solution of Na2CO3 (Wako Pure Chemical Industries, 99.7 \$) and H<sub>2</sub> PtCl<sub>0</sub> • 6H<sub>2</sub> O. The impregnated samples were subsequently dried for 3 h at 393 K and calcined for 2 h at 773 K in air. Commercially available SiO<sub>2</sub> (Nippon Aerosil, ox-50, surface area: 50 m<sup>2</sup>  $\cdot$  g<sup>-1</sup>) was used as a support. The loading of platinum was always 2.4 wt %. Five kinds of Na/Pt/SiO2 catalysts were prepared with varying the amount of sodium; 0.19, 0.75, 1.5, 2.3, or 6.1 in atomic molar ratio, Na/Pt. The catalysts thus obtained were placed in a closed circulating system which can be evacuated below 10-4 Pa. Then they were treated with oxygen at 473 K for 1 h. followed by evacuation for 30 min, and reduced by hydrogen at 473 K for 1 h, followed by evacuation for 30 min before each catalytic reaction. These pretreatments can not expel the significant amount of sodium from silica surface. [16] Chlorine was not observed with all samples used by XPS in the wide scan mode. Hydrogen adsorption at 293 K was also carried out in this system.

In order to avoid a possible formation of NaPtCl<sub>0</sub> during the co-impregnation procedure, 2 step-impregnation method was also adopted for the preparation of a Na-promoted catalyst of Na/Pt = 1.5. SiO<sub>2</sub> was impregnated with aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> solution, Na-doped dried for 3 h at 393 K, and calcined for 2 h at 673 K in air. The Na-doped support thus obtained was again impregnated with aqueous solution of H<sub>2</sub>PtCl<sub>0</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O. The following procedure was

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similar to that for coimpregnation samples. Resultant  $Pt/Na \cdot SiO_2$  catalyst gave the same results in the experiments, such as H/M, TEM and  $D_2$ -CH<sub>2</sub>=CH<sub>2</sub> reaction, as those for Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> with Na/Pt = 1.5.

The particle size of platinum metal in the catalysts was determined by transmission electron microscope (TEM). The electronic states of elements and surface composition in the catalysts were examined by XPS (Shimadzu, ESCA 750). The absence of chlorine, sulfur and the other poisoning elements was confirmed in wide scan mode.

Ethene (Takachiho Trading Co., 99.9%) was further purified by freeze-thaw cycles before each catalytic reaction. Hydrogen and deuterium gases of research grade were purified through a 5A molecular-sieve trap at 77 K.

The products of reactions were analyzed by gas chromatograph with a TCD or by mass spectrometer operating with 70 eV electrons after the separation by a 2 m V2-10 column at 343 K.

The adsorbates on the catalysts were observed by IR (JASCO FT/IR-7000 with 2 cm<sup>-1</sup> resolution). The catalysts were molded into self-supporting disks and mounted in the cell which can be heated to 773 K. The IR cell was combined in a closed circulating system mentioned above.

4.2. Results and Discussion

(i) The structure and electronic state of the catalyst surface.

The average particle size estimated by TEM and the dispersion determined by hydrogen adsorption (H/M) are summarized in Table 4.1. The dispersion decreased with an increase of Na

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content, which is comparable with the increase in the particle size. However, the dispersion expected from the particle size of TEM [17] was smaller than H/M in the presence of Na, assuming that one H atom corresponded to one surface Pt atom and Pt particles are spherical. The comparison of Pt dispersion evaluated by two different experiments would be valid to some extent because both values of dispersion from H/M and TEM are almost the same in the unpromoted catalyst. Since hydrogen is not adsorbed on sodium at room temperature, the surface ratio of Na to Pt, coverage  $\theta_{Ha}$ , can be evaluated from the difference in the dispersion calculated by H<sub>2</sub> adsorption and TEM. The results of the estimation are listed in the last column of Table 4.1.

The degree of error in the dispersion calculated from TEM should be described because the size of the Pt particles on the  $SiO_z$  (ox-50) are usually distributed, involving smaller and larger particles. The Pt particle sizes were distributed relatively uniformly as illustrated in TEM photographs of Figure 4.1. The deviation from the average particle size is estimated to be  $\pm$  1.2 nm. Accordingly, the error of Na coverage in Table 1 was evaluated to be  $\pm$  0.1. Nevertheless, it is to be noted that the values of Na coverage are the averaged values for Pt particles contained in each catalyst.

The particle size was enlarged by Na addition (4.1 nm to 8.0 nm)in spite of the similar preparation conditions. It did not essentially depend on the amount of Na through in the range 0.75 s Na/Pt  $\leq$  6.1. The surface coverage  $\theta_{\rm Na}$  was constant to be 0.2. Therefore, it is likely that the Na/Pt particles are stable when the diameter is around 8 nm. Pt particles in the catalyst with Na/Pt = 0.16 is thought to be in a mixed state of Pt particles with and without Na.

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Table 4.2 shows the results of XP spectra, in which the binding energies of Pt  $4f^{\gamma}/_{2}$  and Na 1s are listed. The binding energy of Pt decreased by the loading of Na and continuously decreased with an increase of Na quantity. Since the particle size was almost the same in the range of more than Na/ Pt = 0.75, the shift of the binding energy may result from the electron donation from Na to Pt rather than extra-atomic relaxation or particle size effect. The binding energy ranging from 1073.4 eV to 1073.8 eV of Na 1s suggests that the state of Na is Na' as Na O [18]. The peak intensities of Pt  $(I_{Pt})$  and Na  $(I_{Na})$  as a function of Na loading are plotted in Figure 4.2 where Ip, was normalized by H/M due to surface area calibration. IPt was constant in Na/Pt ≥ 0.75, which is consistent to the constant coverage of Na on Pt particle in Table 4.1. Ipt for Na/Pt = 0.19 was similar to  $I_{P+}$  for the samples with Na/Pt  $\geq 0.75$ . This may indicate that Na cluster/particles with a similar size start to cover the Pt particle surfaces from a low content of Na.

On the other hand,  $I_{N,\sigma}$  increased monotonously, showing an upward curvature. It suggests that Na is also loaded on SiO<sub>2</sub> support. Moreover,  $I_{N,\sigma}$  profile in Figure 4.2 shows a saturation curve. In contrast to Na on Pt particles, the Na on SiO<sub>2</sub> surface is suggested to grow to form the larger islands by increasing Na loading. The most probable growth mode of Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> catalyst surface as a function of the Na amount is illustrated in Figure 4.3.

 (ii) Effects of Na additives on Hydrogenation Rate and Activation Energy.

The activities and activation energies of ethene deuteration

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are listed in Table 4.3. In the presence of sodium, the rate of ethane formation became about 4 times higher as compared with that on the unpromoted catalyst. The activation energy (41  $kJ \cdot mol^{-1}$ ) was a little higher than that of  $Pt/SiO_c$  catalyst(33  $kJ \cdot mol^{-1}$ ). As for Na/Pt/SiO<sub>c</sub>, the rate increased with an increase of the sodium loading, while the activation energy was kept constant. It is known that the rate-determining step of ethene hydrogenation on group VIII metals at lower temperatures is hydrogen dissociation and the apparent activation energy is positive. At higher temperatures the rate-determining step shifts to the second-hydrogen addition and the apparent activation energy is often negative. [19] In the case of Na/Pt/SiO<sub>c</sub>, the reaction temperatures are low enough (208 K - 312 K) and the activation energies are positive. And the partial pressure dependence of the rate was well fitted to the equation:

 $r = k_{D2} \times P_{D2} / (1 + K_E \times P_E)$ 

where  $P_{D,2}$  and  $P_E$  are the partial pressures of deuterium and ethene, respectively.  $k_{D,2}$  and  $K_E$  are constants. This rate equation implies a relatively strong adsorption of ethene and the rate-determining deuterium dissociation. This is confirmed by the fact that the rate data for ethene deuteration and hydrogen exchange had almost equal Arrhenius parameters as shown in Table 4.3. The rate of HD formation in  $H_2$ - $D_2$  exchange reaction on Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> under the deuteration conditions was much larger than the rate of ethane formation. Furthermore, the activation energy for HD formation on Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> (19 kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup>) was smaller than that for ethane formation (33 kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup>). This difference suggests that there is a kind of site on Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> which is active mainly for  $H_2$ -

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 $p_{\rm c}$  exchange reaction on Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub>. In other words, there may be at least two kinds of sites --- one is active only for deuterium dissociation, where HD formation preferentially proceeds, and the other is the site on which deuterium and ethene react by the above equation. On Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub>, two kinds of sites with the different character do not exist because the activation energies and the preexponential factors were almost equal for ethane and HD formations. One reasonable explanation is the blockage of HD site by Na.

The Pt particle size and the Na coverage remained in the range of Na/Pt from 0.75 to 6.1, but ethane formation was enhanced by increasing Na loading. The extent of charge transfer from Na to platinum is roughly estimated from the shift of the binding energy of Pt  $4f^7/_2$  of Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub>. The more negative the charge of platinum was, the more rapidly the ethane formation proceeded. The electron transfer from sodium to platinum on SiO<sub>2</sub> surface is ascribed to a direct interaction between them and an indirect interaction through the support.

A break was observed at ca. 250 K in the Arrhenius plot for  $Na/Pt/SiO_2$  (Na/Pt = 0.19). The activation energy in the lower temperature region was 32 kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup> and in the higher temperature region was 40 kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup>. These values are similar to those for Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> and Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> (Na/Pt  $\ge$  0.75), respectively. This result for Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> (Na/Pt = 0.19) also indicates a mixed state of the Pt particles with and without Na as illustrated in Figure 4.3.

Ethene hydrogenation has been regarded as structure insensitive in usual. In fact, there was no large difference between two  $Pt/SiO_2$  catalysts with different dispersions, H/M =0.67 and 0.014 in the hydrogenation. The rate of ethene formation per surface Pt atom on the H/M = 0.014 catalyst was more than 80

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% of that for the catalyst with H/M = 0.67. The activation energy was also unchanged. It is unlikely that the enhancement of these parameters by Na addition comes from the particle size enlargement.

# (iii) Isotope distributions in the products

Table 4.4 summarizes the percentage distributions of d, ethane (i=1,2,...,6) at the initial stage of ethene deuteration on the catalysts with various Na loading. The amount of deuterium atom incorporated in ethane molecule ( $\Sigma id_1/6\Sigma d_1$ ) are also listed in Table 4.4.  $\Sigma id_1/6\Sigma d_1$  increased from 0.31 to 0.38 in the presence of Na, whereas it was almost independent of the amount of Na. The increase of  $\Sigma id_1/6\Sigma d_1$  for the promoted catalyst may be referred to the following two possible causes; the adsorption of deuterium increased comparing to ethene and/or the equilibrium between associatively adsorbed ethene and halfhydrogenated intermediates shifted, these change leading to the change of H/D ratio at the surface.

Chapter 3 demonstrated for SMSI catalysts that there are site I (bare metal site) and site II (periphery site) and H/D ratios at the surface are different between these sites. On these surfaces with two different sites  $d_1$ -ethane should be produced in the order,  $d_0$ ,  $d_2 > d_1$  on whole surface. It was illustrated that ethene isotopes were produced on site I or site II alone in the order,  $d_2 > d_1 > d_0$  or  $d_0 > d_1 > d_2$ , respectively. In the case of Na-promoted Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> catalysts, the order is  $d_2 > d_1 > d_0$ and there is no evidence of the H/D heterogeneity for ethane formation.

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(iv) Active sites and intermediates for hydrogenation and hydrogen exchange

The rates of ethene deuteration and hydrogen exchange in D<sub>e</sub> + CH2 = CH2 system as a function of Na loading are shown in Figure 4.4. The products in the hydrogen exchange reaction were  $d_1$  ethene ( $C_2 H_3 D$ ) and  $d_2$  -ethene ( $C_2 H_2 D_2$ ).  $d_3$  - and  $d_4$  -ethene were negligible and below the detection limit in the initial stage of the reaction. The exchange rate is defined as an amount of deuterium atom in d.-ethene ( $\Sigma$ id.) produced per unit time, while the deuteration rate is the sum of the formation rate of deuterated ethanes. The deuteration rate increased with an increase of the amount of Na while the exchange rate was almost constant except Na/Pt = 0.00. Thus the rate of ethane formation seems to have a correlation with the binding energy of Pt  $4f^{\gamma}/_{2}$ . while the rate of exchange reaction correlates with the Na coverage on Pt surface. These results suggest that deuteroethene is formed at the neighboring sites of Na2O island (periphery site) and ethane is produced at the far sites (bare metal sites). The theoretical works has demonstrated that the electronic modification should be large at the periphery sites which might be located in the region of two or three atoms around Na because of the screening of platinum metal. [15]

The XP spectra for Pt  $4f^{\tau}/_{2}$  could not distinguish the periphery sites from bare metal sites. It may be because the ratio of the periphery sites should be less than that of the bare metal sites considering the small coverage of Na (0.2) and the particle size is large enough.

Figure 4.5 shows IR spectra of adsorbed ethene in the C-H stretching region. Both adsorption and measurement were carried

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out at 293 K. Five peaks were observed for each catalysts in Figure 4.5. Three higher-wavenumber peaks, 3078 cm-1, 3025 cm-1 and 2965 cm-1 for Pt/SiO2 and 3078~9 cm-1, 3025 cm-1 and 2964 cm | for Na/Pt/SiO2 are due to m-ethene. The largest peaks at  $2888 \sim 2869$  cm<sup>-1</sup> are assigned to di- $\sigma$ -ethene on Pt. [20] The absorption band in 2803 cm-1 on Pt/SiO2 has been attributed to the first overtone of the asymmetric CH<sub>3</sub> bending mode of ethylidyne. [20] These peaks diminished rapidly when D<sub>2</sub> was added at 293 K, evolving deuterated ethenes and ethanes in gas phase. This can result from that the observed surface species are the reaction intermediates for ethane formation and ethenedeuterium exchange. The position and relative intensity of the peaks for  $\pi$ -ethene were not affected by sodium addition. On the contrary, the band for di- $\sigma$ -ethene shifted by 18 cm<sup>-1</sup> (Na/Pt = 0.19) ~ 24 cm<sup>-1</sup> (Na/Pt = 6.1) and the relative intensity to those of  $\pi$ -ethene became smaller comparing to that for Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub>. A small peak for di- $\sigma$ -ethene was observed for the catalyst of Na/Pt = 0.19 (2889 cm<sup>-1</sup>), the position being the same as that for Pt/SiO2 . This supports the mixed state of pure Pt and Nacontaining Pt particles in Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> (Na/Pt = 0.19) as mentioned above.

The peak positions of  $\pi$ -ethene (around 2965 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and for di- $\sigma$ -ethene are plotted against the Na loading in Figure 4.6. The ratio of the intensity of these two bands (I,/I $_{\sigma}$ ) was also plotted as a function of Na loading in Figure 4.6. The ratio, I,/I $_{\sigma}$ , for Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> was much larger than that for Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> and was almost independent of the Na loading. These results suggest that the  $\pi$ -ethene is located at the periphery sites, while the di- $\sigma$ -ethene is formed on the bare sites as demonstrated in Figure 4.7.

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The constant peak position of  $\pi$ -ethene shows that the change in the electronic state characterized by Pt 4f<sup>7</sup>/<sub>2</sub> XP spectra does not influence the electronic state of  $\pi$ -ethene, more precisely, C-H stretching. On the other hand, the C-H stretching of di- $\sigma$ ethene changed still after the saturation coverage of Na at 0.20, due to the further electronic effect from sodium supported on SiO<sub>2</sub> surface.

From the above discussion the most probable mechanism is deduced; ethane is preferentially formed at the bare metal sites through the di- $\sigma$ -intermediate, while ethene-deuterium exchange mainly proceeds at the periphery sites through the  $\pi$ intermediate. The ratio of  $di-\sigma$ -ethene/*m*-ethene adsorbed on Na/Pt/SiO2 decreased as compared with that on Pt/SiO2 and the C-H stretching frequency shifted toward lower wavenumber. The electronic effect on the Pt surface is reflected in the increase of the activation energy for ethane formation. However, the rate of ethane formation increased with the Na-promoted Pt/SiO2 catalysts due to the less adsorption of di- $\sigma$ -ethene to lead to the enhancement of hydrogen dissociation which competitively takes place as suggested by the rate equation. The C-H peak position of  $\pi$ -ethene and the rate of the ethene-deuterium exchange at the periphery sites were almost independent of the Na quantity. These results indicate the constant size of the NagO on Pt particles over the whole range of Na loading.

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Na/Pt	H/M	TEM(/nm) <sup>a</sup>	Na coverage
0.00	0.31	4.1 (0.30)	0
0.19	0.24	5.5 (0.22)	0.1
0.75	0.13	8.0 (0.16)	0.2
1.5	0.13	8.0 (0.16)	0.2
2.3	0.13	7.8 (0.17)	0.2
6.1	0.13	7.9 (0.16)	0.2

Table 4.1 Dispersion and particle size of platinum in the catalysts.

a: the values in the parentheses are the estimated dispersion by TEM after Anderson. [17], b: calculated from the results of H/M and TEM.

Na/Pt	$Pt4f^{\gamma}/_{2}(eV)$	Na 1s (eV)
0.00	70.53	
0.19	70.38	1073.4
0.75	70.28	1073.4
1.5	70.14	1073.5
2.3	70.08	1073.7
6.1	70.02	1073.8

Table 4.2 The binding energies of peak top in  $Pt4f^7/_2$  and Na 1s in XP spectra of the catalysts.

Table 4.3 Activities(r) and activation energies (E) of ethene deuteration and exchange on the catalysts with different sodium loading.

Na/Pt -	et	hane	HI	)tr
	E/kJ•mol-1	r	E/kJ·mol-1	r
0.00	33	1.00	19	4.03
0.19	40°	1.22		
0.75	41	3.20	40	3.07
1.5	41	3.31	40	3.35
2.3	41	3.53	41	3.56
6.1	41	3.98	40	4.10

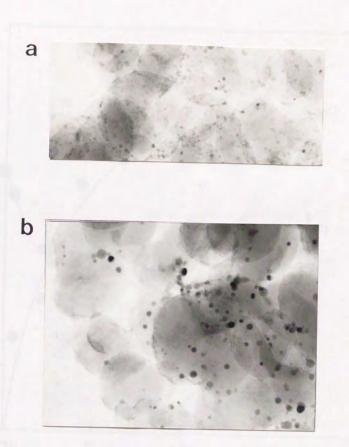
a:  $D_2$  +  $CH_2$  =  $CH_2$  reaction at 273 K ( $P_{D2}$  = 1.3 kPa,  $P_{CH2+CH2}$  = 3.0 kPa), b:  $D_2$  +  $H_2$  +  $CH_2$  =  $CH_2$  reaction at 273 K( $P_{D2}$  =  $P_{H2}$  = 0.6 kPa,  $P_{CH2+CH2}$  : 3.0 kPa), c: T ≥ 250 K.

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	Na/Pt					
ethane	0.0	0.19	0.75	1.5	2.3	6.1
de	10	8	7	9	10	13
d <sub>1</sub>	24	15	19	19	16	15
d2	45	38	34	36	37	36
d <sub>3</sub>	13	21	21	20	18	15
d.4	8	18	19	13	12	12
d5	0	0	0	3	7	9
d <sub>6</sub>	0	0	0	0	0	(
100 <sub>2</sub> id, /6 <sub>2</sub> d,	31	38	38	36	38	38

Table 4.4 The percentage distribution of d-ethane at the initial stage of  $D_2$  +  $CH_2$  =  $CH_2$  reaction at  $263K^{\circ}$ .

a:  $P_{D,2} = P_{C,H,2} = 0.3 \text{ kPa}$ .



\_\_\_\_\_ 80 nm

Figure 4.1 TEM photographs of the catalysts. a:  $Pt/SiO_{2}$  (Na/Pt = 0.00), b: Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> (Na/Pt = 1.5)

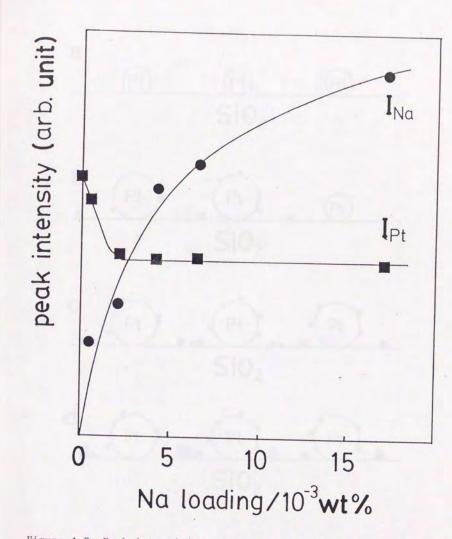


Figure 4.2 Peak intensities of Pt  $4f^{\gamma}/_{2}$  and Na 1s as a function of Na loading. Each peak was integrated and normalized by that of Si 2p of the sample. Pt  $4f^{\gamma}/_{2}$  was corrected by H/M to avoid the decrease of surface area due to enlarging of particle size and to deduce the coverage of Na.

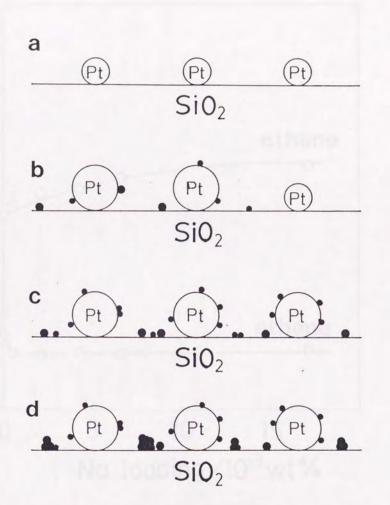


Figure 4.3 Schematic models for  $Na/Pt/SiO_{e}$  with various Na loading. a: Na/Pt = 0.00, b: Na/Pt = 0.25, c: Na/Pt = 1.0, d: Na/Pt = 4.0.

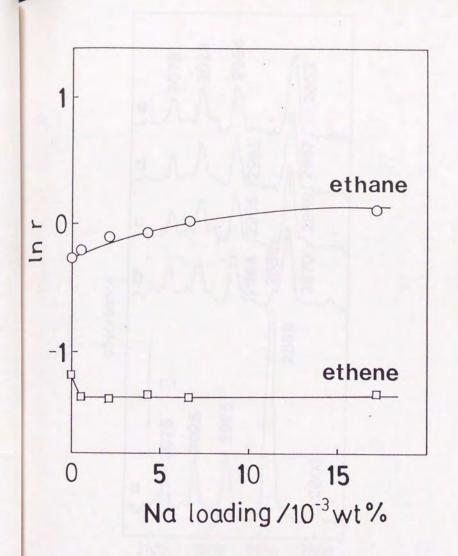
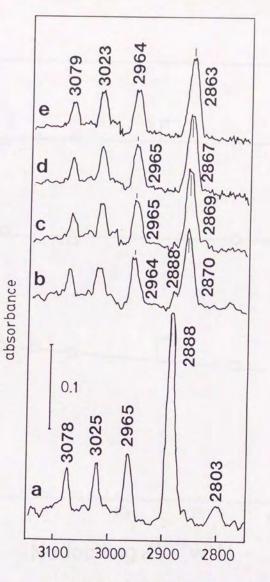


Figure 4.4 The initial rates for ethane formation and ethene exchange.  $P_{D,2} = 1.3 \text{ kPa}$ ,  $P_{CH2=CH2} = 5.0 \text{ kPa}$ , the reaction temperature = 250 K.



# wavenumber / cm

Figure 4.5 IR spectra of C-H stretching region for ethene adsorbed on Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> catalysts; a: Na/Pt = 0.00 (Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub>), b: Na/Pt = 0.19, c: Na/Pt = 0.75, d: Na/Pt = 1.5, e: Na/Pt = 6.1.

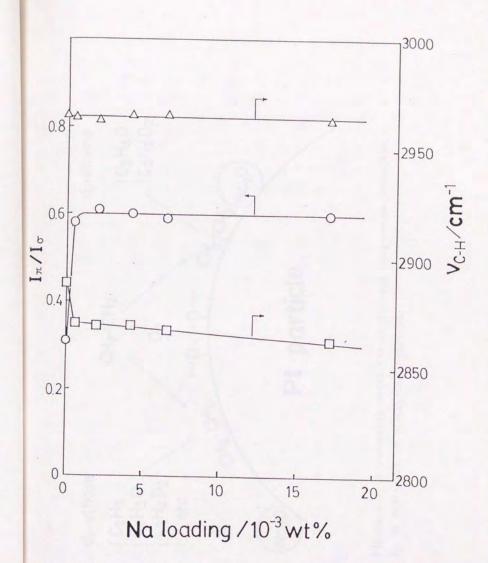


Figure 4.6 The peak positions of C-H stretching for  $\pi$ -ethene ( $\Delta$ ) and di- $\sigma$ -ethene ( $\square$ ) and the ratio of these peak intensities (I,/I $_{\sigma}$ , O) as a function of Na loading.

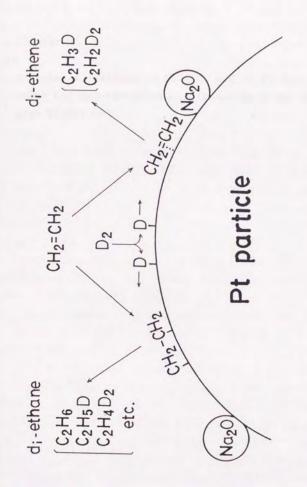


Figure 4.7 A schematic model for short- and long-range promotion by Na additives in  $D_{\text{\tiny 2}}$  +CH\_{\text{\tiny 2}} =CH\_{\text{\tiny 2}} reaction.

## Chapter 5

d-State of Platinum in Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> and Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> Catalysts under C=C Hydrogenation Conditions by X-ray Absorption Nearedge Structure

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The promoting effects of supports or additives on the catalysis of group VIII metals have been demonstrated to be based on many factors, but the electronic modification of metals may be one of indispensable and universal aspects brought by promoters. Thus the electronic properties of the metal ensembles are often key ingredients for the elucidation of the genesis or the mechanism of noble-metal catalysis. The change in the density of delectrons should be most essential for metal catalysis since the adsorption or activation of reactants arises mainly from the interaction of d-electrons with frontier orbitals of reactant molecules.

The white lines emerging at X-ray adsorption edges of platinum correspond to the electronic transition from 2p core electrons to unoccupied 5d-state of Pt by photon absorption. The  $L_2$  edge arises from the  $2p_{1-2}$  states and  $L_3$  edge arises from the  $2p_{1-2}$  states. It has been clarified that the intensity of the white lines well reflects the electronic characteristics of platinum catalyst and this relation has been applied to the supported catalysts under vacuum [1-4] or ambient oxygen, hydrogen or carbon monoxide. [5-7] Further, the degree of unoccupied d-states of Pt has quantitatively been estimated by the intensity of the white lines [8] in investigating metalsupport interactions [9-11].

It has been reported that catalytic reactions are sometimes originated from the change of the structures and electronic states of metal sites, which is hardly pictured from static experiments. [12-14] Thus in-situ studies of the working catalyst are desirable. This chapter intends to describe the relation between the elementary steps and the electronic state of the metal catalysts with monitoring the density of unoccupied d-

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states of supported Pt catalysts under C=C hydrogenation condition. Molecule-molecule interaction through the metal often plays an important role at the key step of the reaction to change the rate or the selectivity. The introduction of substituents to C=C compounds in this study should belong to this level. And the electron donation by the metal-additives which composes the catalyst surface could be also affective to the catalysis. Both two levels are promotion effect as Thomson pointed out. [15] For both cases the measurement of d-state of platinum is monitoring the media of electron between molecule and molecule or molecule and alkali metal in a working state of the catalyst.

#### 5.1 Methods

The catalysts were prepared with the same methods in chapter 4.

XANES (X-ray absorption near-edge structure) spectra were measured in the transmission mode at BL-7C of Photon Factory, National Laboratory for High Energy Physics (KEK-PF; proposal No. 89-007). The samples were prepared in a closed circulating system and transferred to in-situ X-ray absorption cell.

 $CH_2 = CH_2$ ,  $CH_2 = CHCH_3$  (Takachiho Trading Co.,Ltd., 99.9%),  $CH_2 = CHCN$ ,  $CH_2 = CHCOCH_3$  (Tokyo Kasei Co.,Ltd.) and  $CH_2 = CHCF_3$  (Japan Halon, 99.9%) were purified by freeze-thaw cycles before use. Deuterium (Takachiho Trading Co.,Ltd. research grade) was purified through a 5A molecular-sieve trap at 77 K.  $D_2 + CH_2 = CHX$  (X = H.  $CH_3$ , CN,  $COCH_3$ ,  $CF_3$ ) reactions were carried out in the closed circulating system mentioned above and the products were analyzed by gas chromatograph using VZ-10 or PEG-1500 columns. No side-reaction other than deuterium/hydrogen addition was

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observed. No catalytic reaction proceeds in the absence of deuterium or hydrogen.

Data analyses of the white lines at  $L_{2.5}$  edges were performed in a similar way to that reported by Mansour et al.<sup>8</sup>, *i.e.* comparison of the total unoccupied d-density of the sample ( $h_T$ ) to that of the reference (Pt foil;  $h_r$ ) at  $L_2$  and  $L_3$  edges as follows:

 $h_T = (1.0 + f_d)h_t$  (5.1)

 $f_{d} = (\Delta A_{3} + 1.11 \Delta A_{2}) / (A_{3r} + 1.11 A_{2r})$ (5.2)

$$\Delta A_3 = A_3 - A_{3r}, \ \Delta A_2 = A_2 - A_{2r} \tag{5.3}$$

where

The value of h, has been reported to be 0.30. [16] The spectral area of the white line from the edge position to the next local minimum in the XANES spectrum was integrated and normalized by the edge jump to give the intensities of  $A_{2}$ .  $A_{3}$ ,  $A_{2}$ , or  $A_{3}$ .

5.2 Results

Arrhenius plots for  $CH_2 = CHX$  (X = H,  $CH_3$ , CN,  $COCH_3$ ,  $CF_3$ ) deuteration on 2.4 wt%-Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> are shown in Figure 5.1. The

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slopes are similar for all alkenes and the activation energy derived from them is 33 kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup>. The relative rates decreased in the order,  $-CF_3 > -CH_3 > -H > -COCH_3 > -CN$ . The order is usually explained quantitatively by Hammett's parameter  $\sigma_P$  of the substituents as plotted in Figure 5.2, which exhibits a linearity with all the substituents except for  $-CF_3$ ; the following equation is fitted;

 $\ln r = -6.4 \sigma_{P} + 1.4 \quad (\text{except -CF}_{P}) \quad (5.4)$ 

The typical XANES spectra of Pt L<sub>1</sub> edge of Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> in the presence of CH<sub>2</sub> =CHX (X = H, CH<sub>3</sub>, CN, COCH<sub>4</sub>, CF<sub>4</sub>) are illustrated in Figure 5.3. The value of f<sub>4</sub> derived from the XANES spectra are listed in Table 5.1, together with  $\sigma_P$ . The electron withdrawing character of total adsorbed molecules can be estimated by the difference ( $\Delta f_4$ ) between f<sub>4</sub> (CH<sub>2</sub> =CHX)-f<sub>4</sub> (none), which is also listed in Table 5.1. f<sub>4</sub> was observed to correlate with  $\sigma_P$  except for CH<sub>2</sub>=CHCF<sub>3</sub>. As for CH<sub>2</sub>=CHCF<sub>5</sub>, f<sub>4</sub> was much smaller than expected from  $\sigma_P$ , which may be related to its extremely high reaction rate in Figure 5.2.

 $f_d$  for Pt in Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> under vacuum as a function of Na loading is plotted as circles in Figure 5.4. The figure clearly shows that the density of unoccupied d-state of Pt decreases with an increase of Na quantity.

The particle size of Pt was enlarged in the presence of Na, as demonstrated in chapter 4, *i.e.*, the dispersion of Pt particles measured by hydrogen adsorption was 0.31 for Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> and 0.13 for Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> with Na/Pt = 0.75 ~ 6.1. The density of unoccupied d-state has been demonstrated to depend on the particle size of Pt in Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> catalyst. [1, 2] Table 5.2 shows

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the variation of  $f_{\rm d}$  and  $h_{\rm l}$  with the particle size of  $Pt/SiO_2$ . d-Electron density decreased with the particle size but the difference is a little for H/M < 0.3. Thus it is concluded that the effect of the particle size on the value of  $f_{\rm d}$  is little as  $H/M \le 0.30$  for the present Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> catalysts. Hence the change of  $f_{\rm d}$  in Figure 5.4 is ascribed mainly to the electron donation from sodium to platinum.

The kinetic parameters for the reaction and the amounts of molecule adsorbed on the catalysts are summarized in Table 5.3. The rates (r) of ethane formation on Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> under identical conditions were plotted against the Na quantity in Figure 4.4. r increased in accordance with Na loading. The reaction was promoted by the addition of Na as demonstrated in chapter 4. And the rate was expressed by the following equation:

(5.5)

 $r = k_{D2} P_{D2} / (1 + K_E P_E)$ 

where  $P_{0,2}$  and  $P_E$  are the partial pressures of  $D_2$  and ethene, respectively, and  $k_{0,2}$  and  $K_E$  are constants. This equation is the same as in chapter 4. The values in Table 5.3 were obtained through the least square fitting to equation 5.5. The activation energies were a little changed from 33 kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup> for Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> to 41 kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup> for Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub>, but they were independent of Na loading. The adsorption amount of ethene was measured at certain intervals during the reaction to give  $\theta_{0,2}$ , the coverage of ethene, by the extrapolation to the value at the initiation of the reaction. The coverage also decreased according as the Na amount.

In order to examine the relationship of catalytic performance with the electron density of d-state,  $f_4$  was measured

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in the presence of ethene similarly to catalytic reaction conditions. The values are plotted as filled circles in Figure 5.4 where  $f_d$  is illustrated as a function of Na amount contained in the catalysts.  $f_d$  was once decreased and increased with the Na loading in contrast to under vacuum. This is the effect of total ethene adsorbed on the Pt surface.

### 5.3 Discussion

(i) The linear energy relationship and Pt d-state density

The linear free energy relationship (LFER) has been found in many chemical reactions of organic compounds. One of the indicators widely used is Hammett's  $\sigma$ . LFER has been reported in the dissociation reaction of olefin ligands in mononuclear organometallic complexes, L.M -  $\bigvee_{v}$   $\rightleftharpoons$  L.M +  $\bigvee_{X}$ . [17-19] According to these studies, a negative correlation between  $\sigma_P$  and the dissociation constant (K,) was generally observed. It suggests that the strength of the chemical bond between C=C and group 8 metal is mainly controlled by the  $\pi$ -backdonation from dstate (virtual HOMO) of the metal to LUMO of the ligand. All the CH2 =CHX compounds used in the present paper have been proved to show the LFER without any exception in Ni(P(o-toly1)s)2 system, [17] in which  $K_d$  becomes smaller as  $\sigma_P$  of X is larger. Thus, it is suggested that the adsorption of CH2 = CHX on Pt becomes strong with the larger  $\sigma_{\rm P}$  and the deuteration rate should be damped, because the rate or ethene deuteration is represented by equation 5.5 which is based on the competitive adsorption of  $D_2$  and  $CH_2$  =  $CH_2$  and the rate determining adsorption of  $D_2$  . In this context, several questions arise; (1) was LFER really valid

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for heterogeneous hydrogenation systems? (2) does the d-state of pt change during the reaction? and (3) does the change in the dstate affect the reaction mechanism for ethane formation? How about the activation energy, and the frequency factor?

For the rate of the deuteration, an LFER is shown in Figure 5.2. This is consistent to the rate expression 5.5. Consequently, it is rationalized to monitor the d-state under the reaction conditions in the presence of  $CH_2$  =CHX. The density of unoccupied d-state of Pt in Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> changed in relation to the electron-withdrawing character of substituents (X) of  $CH_2$  =CHX ( $\sigma_P$ ) except for X = CF<sub>2</sub> as demonstrated in Table 5.1. The larger  $\sigma_P$  of the substituent, the larger the unoccupied d-state becomes. Nevertheless, this d-electronic change brought no electronic modification to the step of D<sub>2</sub> adsorption as rate-determining step. In fact, Figure 5.1 showed the same activation energy for all  $CH_2$  =CHX. The rate variation with the kind of  $CH_2$  =CHX results from the alternation of the preexponential factor in the rate constant( $k_{D,2}$ ).

The rate for the deuteration of  $CH_2 = CHCF_3$  is much larger than that expected from the line in LFER of Figure 5.2. A small change in d-density,  $\Delta f_4$ , observed on the adsorption of  $CH_2 = CHCF_3$  in Table 5.1 demonstrates a weak adsorption of the molecule on platinum. It has been reported that the mode of adsorption on Pt(111) and (100) is not dissociative, [20, 21] excluding the contribution of self-hydrogenation to alkane formation and the direct interaction between fluorine and platinum. In fact, no formation of  $CH_3 CH_2 CF_3$  by  $CH_2 = CHCF_3$  alone was observed with Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> catalyst and no hydrogenolysis was observed under the reaction condition.  $\sigma_P$  has been demonstrated to have a good correlation with the associative constant in

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mononuclear complexes. [17] On the other hand,  $CH_2$  =CHX adsorbs on multi-metal sites at Pt(111) and (100) surfaces. [20, 21]  $\sigma_{\rm P}$ may not always reflect the strength of electron-withdrawing character of substituents (X) at metal surfaces. The effective value of  $\sigma_{\rm P}$  for -CF<sub>8</sub> on Pt surface is evaluated to be -0.28 from Figure 5.2.

(ii) The donation by Na2O and the distribution of electron during the reaction.

Another way to modify the interaction between C=C bond and Pt is to add alkali-metal to the surface. The electron withdrawing group makes LUMO of  $CH_2$ =CHX low and the electrondonating additive makes the Fermi level high. These may strengthen the chemical bond between C=C bond and Pt to result in the suppression of D<sub>2</sub> adsorption.

The behavior of f<sub>4</sub> in Figure 5.4 is explained by electron donation from Na<sub>2</sub>O added, which fills the unoccupied d-state of Pt as a function of the amount of Na. This is consistent to Pt  $4f^{\gamma}/_{2}$  in X-ray photoemission spectroscopy (XPS) of chapter 4 where the binding energy shift as a function of Na amount was observed.

The unoccupied d-state of Pt in Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> varied from 0.32 (Na/Pt = 0.0) to 0.22 (Na/Pt = 6.1) in Figure 5.4. The values of  $h_1$  for Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> in Table 5.2 varied from 0.35 to 0.31 with different particle sizes and  $h_1$  for 0.7%-Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> prepared by ion exchange method was reported to be 0.37. [9] Thus the change in  $h_1$  by Na addition is comparable to that by particle size, but the values for small Pt particles are larger than  $h_1$  (= 0.30), whereas the Na additives make the value smaller than  $h_1$ .

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An increase of the activity for ethane formation (Figure 4.4 ) and the continuous decrease of  $K_E$  (Table 5.3) indicate that the filling d-states suppresses the adsorption of CH2 = CH2. The adsorption of ethene on Pt single crystal has been suggested to he weakened by alkali metal in the literature. [22, 23] The decrease of  $k_{\text{P}}$  by the small amount of Na may be due to the increase of activation energy and the site-blocking of NagO on Pt surface. In contrast to  $K_E$ ,  $k_{D,2}$  increased with an increase of Na quantity in Table 5.3, while the activation energy was kept constant. These results show that the adsorption of ethene on platinum in a working state of D2 + CH2 = CH2 reaction is suppressed when the density of d-state under vacuum becomes larger by Na and, as a result, the rate of Da dissociation is increased. This may be contradictory to the HOMO-LUMO interaction picture [24] for the adsorption as discussed above. Then, it is natural to have the questions about the density of d-state of Pt and the strength of the adsorption of ethene in a working state of the catalyst.

The number of electrons in d-state extracted per adsorbed ethene increased linearly up to 0.76 at Na/Pt = 6.1 as already seen in Figure 5.5. But most of the charge gained by Pt were found to be lost under ambient  $CH_2 = CH_2$  gas, that is, extra charge from Na<sub>2</sub>O is almost extracted by ethene adsorbed on Pt. Little change of the density of unoccupied d-state under reaction conditions can claim almost no change in the activation energy in Table 5.3. Thus it is suggested that ethene molecules play a role of electron buffer at Pt surface during the deuteration of ethene on Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> by means of the increase not of the number of adsorbed ethene but of the number of electron accepted by one ethene molecule adsorbed. Filled circles of Figure 5.4

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illustrates the whole state of platinum particles which is proper to discuss the electronic effect on  $D_2$  adsorption, but does not show the microscopic state around active sites and adsorbed ethene. Thus  $f_{d}$  in Figure 5.4 was converted into the amount of electron extracted per a molecule.

As shown in Figure 4.6 in chapter 4, the acceptor of electron is di-o-ethene in the system of Na/Pt/SiO adsorbing  ${\tt CH}_{\it 2}={\tt CH}_{\it 2}$  . And it was demonstrated that the reaction intermediate for ethane formation in D2+CH2=CH2 reaction on Na/Pt/SiO2 catalyst is di- $\sigma$ -ethene, while that for hydrogen-exchange during the reaction is *m*-ethene. The former reaction occurs on the farsite on Pt surface and the latter on the neighbor site around NagO. No IR band shift implies  $\pi$ -species remains in the same environment in the presence of Na<sub>2</sub>O.  $\pi$ - and di- $\sigma$ -ethenes are main adsorbates as intermediates on the noble metals at room temperature. [25] The ratio,  $di - \sigma/(\pi + di - \sigma)$ , on Na/Pt/SiO was estimated to be 0.7 by the analysis of deuterated ethane and ethene produced by the reaction of the two kinds of adsorbates with  $D_{c}$ . The degree of electrons eliminated per di- $\sigma$ -ethene  $(\Delta h_{\tau} e_{\mu})$  is shown in Figure 5.5, assuming that no  $\pi$ -ethene accept the extra charge of Pt. The maximum value of Ah, a, is 1.1 (Na/Pt = 6.1) and it is suggested that the adsorbed intermediate for ethane formation on Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> is  $di-\sigma-CH_2-CH_2$  where n varies from 0.1 to 1.1. The electron buffer, therefore, would work on Na/Pt/SiO2 by means of the increase not of the number of adsorbed ethene but of the number of electron accepted by one ethene molecule adsorbed. Thus the initial sharp drop of f, by Na addition (Figure 5.4) is attributed to the decrease of surface Pt atoms (increase of the particle size) in the presence of Na.

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5.4 Summary

1. In the adsorption of  $CH_2 = CHX$  (X: H,  $CH_3$ ,  $COCH_3$ ,  $CF_3$ , CN) on  $Pt/SiO_2$  catalyst,  $f_d$  of Pt was correlated with the Hammett's  $\sigma_P$  of X except  $CF_3$ , *i.e.*, the higher the  $\sigma_P$ , the larger the density of unoccupied d-state is.

2. The reaction rates for the deuterogenation of  $CH_2$  =CHX including  $CH_2$  =CHCF, were inversely correlated with the density of unoccupied d-state determined from the white lines in XANES spectra at Pt  $L_2$  and  $L_3$  edges.

3. The addition of  $Na_2 O$  to  $Pt/SiO_2$  increased the activation energy a little, bur promoted ethene deuterogenation as a function of Na quantity.

4. The promotion of the rate is due to the decrease of the amount of adsorbed ethene and hence due to the increase of the preexponential factor of the rate constant for  $D_2$  dissociative adsorption which is rate-determining.

5. The Na<sub>2</sub>O additives decreased the unoccupied d-state density of Pt under vacuum. Na donates electron to d-band of Pt. 6. However, under the reaction conditions, most of the electrons of the d-state donated from Na<sub>2</sub>O moved to ethene adsorbate. 7. The number of d-electrons abstracted per an adsorbed ethene molecule was proportional to the Na quantity in Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> catalysts.

8. The acceptor of the electrons was suggested to be di- $\sigma$ -ethene which is reaction intermediate for ethene formation.

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σΡ	$\mathbf{f}_{d}$	$\Delta f_{d}$ *
	0.058	
-0.17	0.076	0.018
0.00	0.133	0.075
0.50	0.190	0.132
0.54	0.074	0.016
0.66	0.212	0.154
	-0.17 0.00 0.50 0.54	0.058 -0.17 0.076 0.00 0.133 0.50 0.190 0.54 0.074

Table 5.1  $f_d$  for 2.4%-Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> under 1.3 kPa of CH<sub>2</sub> =CHX.

 $*\Delta f_d = f_d (CH_2 = CHX) - f_d (none).$ 

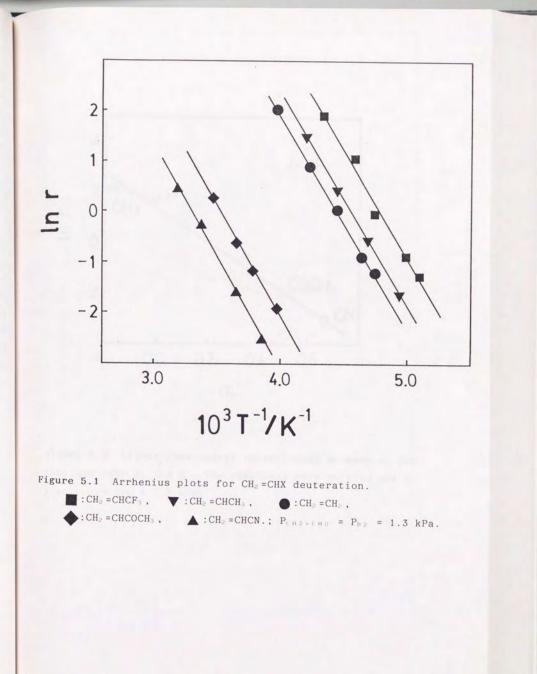
Table 5.2 The dependence of  $f_4$  and  $h_7$  on the particle size in  $Pt/SiO_2$ .

loading	H/M	$\mathbf{f}_{\mathrm{d}}$	$h_{\tau}$
0.9%	0.67	0.17	0.35
2.4%	0.31	0.06	0.32
4.7%	0.014	0.02	0.31

Na/Pt	$E_{H}/kJ \cdot mol^{-1}$	$K_E / Pa^{-1}$	$k_{P \geq}/Pa^{-1} \cdot min^{-1}$	θc 2
0.00	33	1.8 * 10-3	2.3 * 10-2	0.94
0.75	41	8.8 * 10-4	1.7 * 10-3	0.87
1.5	41	8.2 * 10-4	1.8 * 10-3	0.86
2.3	41	7.6 * 10-4	3.8 * 10-3	0.83
6.1	41	6.8 * 10-4	7.5 * 10-3	0.71

Table 5.3 The kinetic parameters for ethane formation and the amount of adsorbates during the reaction.

 $E_{e}$ : activation energy, the same as in chapter 4.  $K_{E}$  and  $k_{D,2}$ : constants in the rate expression  $r = k_{D,2} P_{D,2} / (1+K_{E} P_{E})$ .  $\theta_{C,2}$ : the converage of adsorbed ethene during the reaction, which is normalized by the number of the surface Pt atoms measured by hydrogen adsorption experiment. Reactions were carried out at 247 K and the base pressure of the reactants is 1.3 kPa.



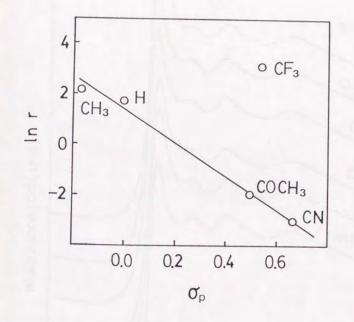
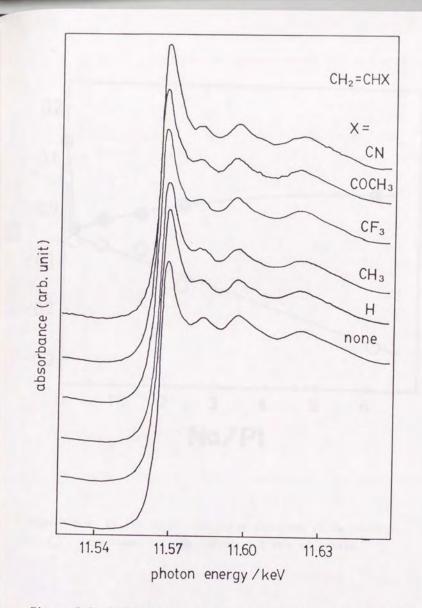
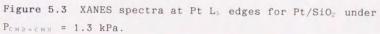


Figure 5.2 Linear free energy relationship between  $\sigma_P$  and reaction rate at 273 K. The reactions were carried out at  $P_{CH|2=|CH|X} = P_{D|2} = 1.3$  kPa.





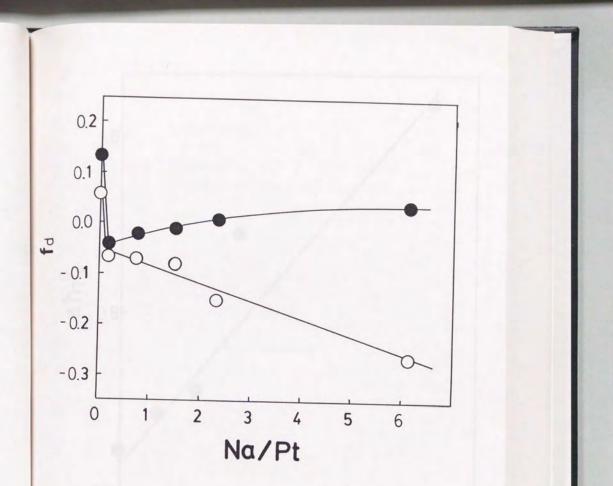


Figure 5.4  $f_d$  for Na/Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub> as a function of Na loading.  $\bigcirc$ : in vacuum,  $\bigcirc$ : under 1.5 kPa of ethene.

