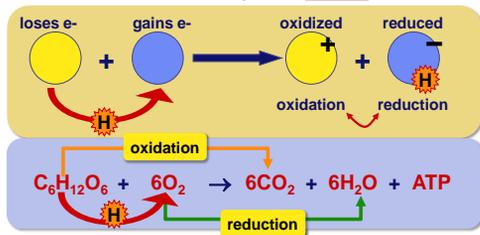


How do we move electrons in biology?

▪ Moving electrons

- ♦ in living systems, electrons do not move alone

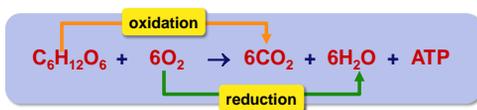
- electrons move as part of **H atom**



Coupling oxidation & reduction

▪ Redox reactions in respiration

- ♦ release energy as breakdown molecules
 - break C-C bonds
 - strip off electrons from C-H bonds by removing H atoms
 - ♦ $C_6H_{12}O_6 \rightarrow CO_2$ = fuel has been oxidized
 - electrons attracted to more electronegative atoms
 - ♦ in **biology**, the most electronegative atom? → **O₂**
 - ♦ $O_2 \rightarrow H_2O$ = oxygen has been reduced
- release energy to synthesize ATP



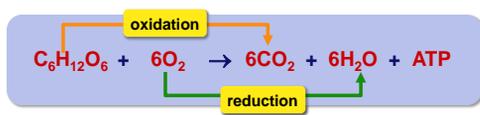
Oxidation & reduction

▪ Oxidation

- ♦ adding O
- ♦ removing H
- ♦ loss of electrons
- ♦ **releases energy**
- ♦ **exergonic**

▪ Reduction

- ♦ removing O
- ♦ adding H
- ♦ gain of electrons
- ♦ **stores energy**
- ♦ **endergonic**



Moving electrons in respiration

▪ Electron carriers move electrons (and energy) by shuttling H atoms around

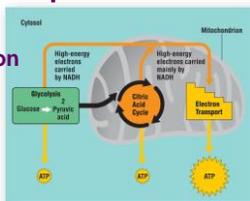
- ♦ $NAD^+ \rightarrow NADH$ (reduced)
- ♦ $FAD^{+2} \rightarrow FADH_2$ (reduced)



Overview of cellular respiration

▪ 4 metabolic stages

- ♦ **Anaerobic respiration**
 - 1. Glycolysis
 - ♦ respiration without O₂
 - ♦ in cytosol
- ♦ **Aerobic respiration**
 - ♦ respiration using O₂
 - ♦ in mitochondria
 - 2. Pyruvate oxidation
 - 3. Kreb's cycle
 - 4. Electron transport chain



What's the point?



The Point is to Make ATP!
 Any Questions??