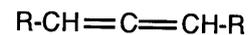
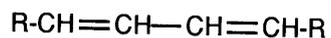


## CHAPTER 15: Conjugated Systems, Orbital Symmetry, UV Spectroscopy

### Types of Dienes:



**Nomenclature:** review alkenes - diene

**Preparation** of Conjugated diene: elimination of HX from allylic halide



### Stability of Conjugated Dienes

Compare heats of hydrogenation:

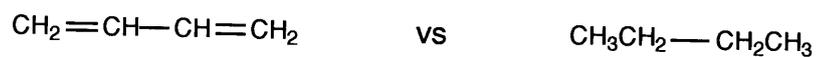
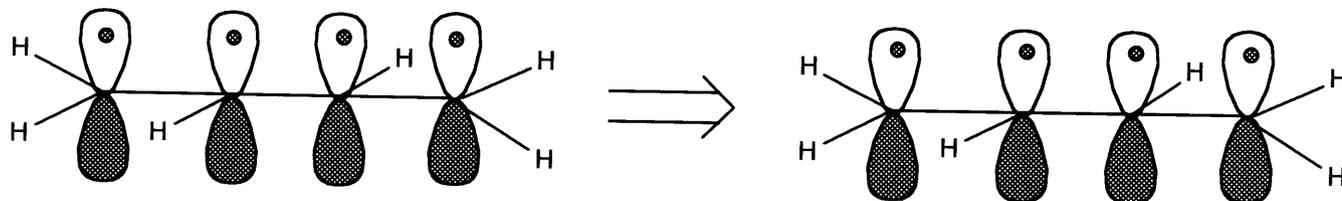
1.  $CH_2=CH-CH_2CH_3 \xrightarrow{H_2/Pd}$   $\Delta H^\circ_{\text{hydrog}} = 30.3 \text{ kcal/mol}$
2.  $CH_2=CH-CH_2-CH=CH_2 \xrightarrow{2 H_2/Pd}$ 

expect:  
observe:
3.  $CH_2=CH-CH=CH_2 \xrightarrow{2 H_2/Pd}$ 

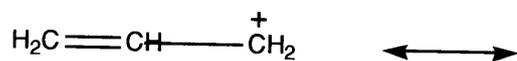
expect:  
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4.  $CH_2=CH-CH=CH-CH_3 \xrightarrow{2 H_2/Pd}$ 

expect:  
observe:

### Explanation of Stability:



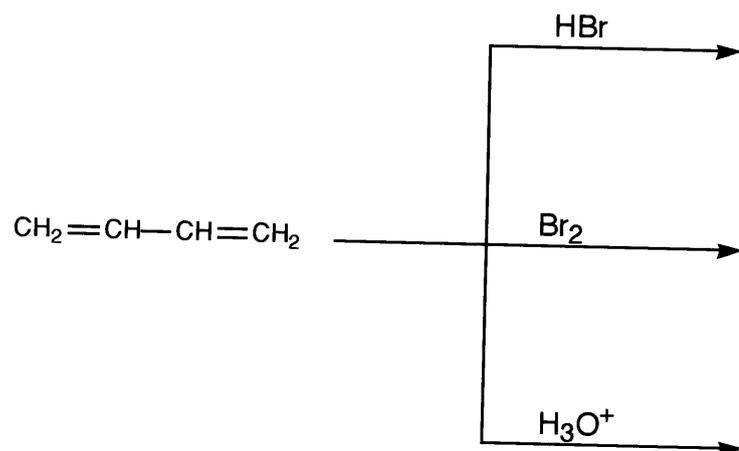
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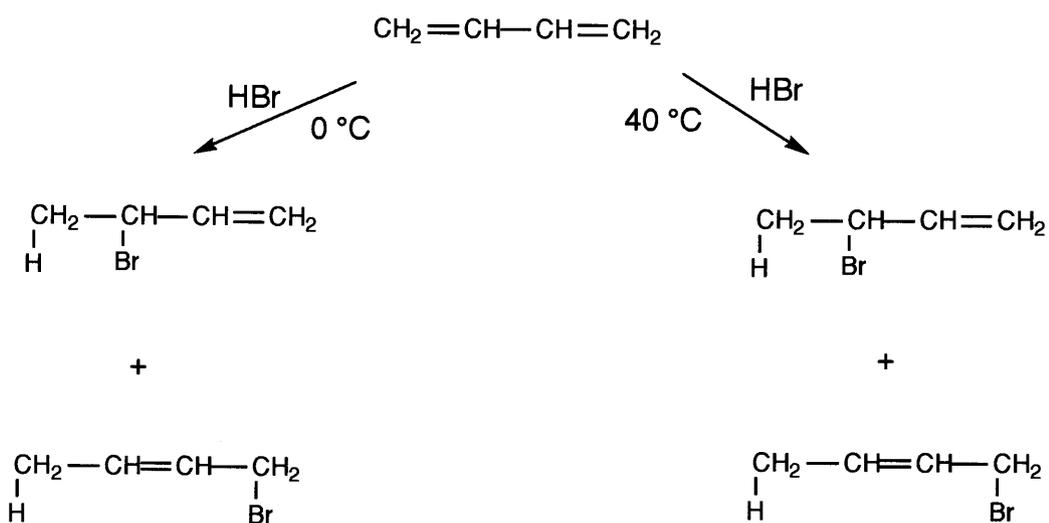
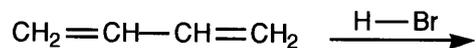
### C<sup>+</sup> Stability:



### How does conjugation affect reactivity?



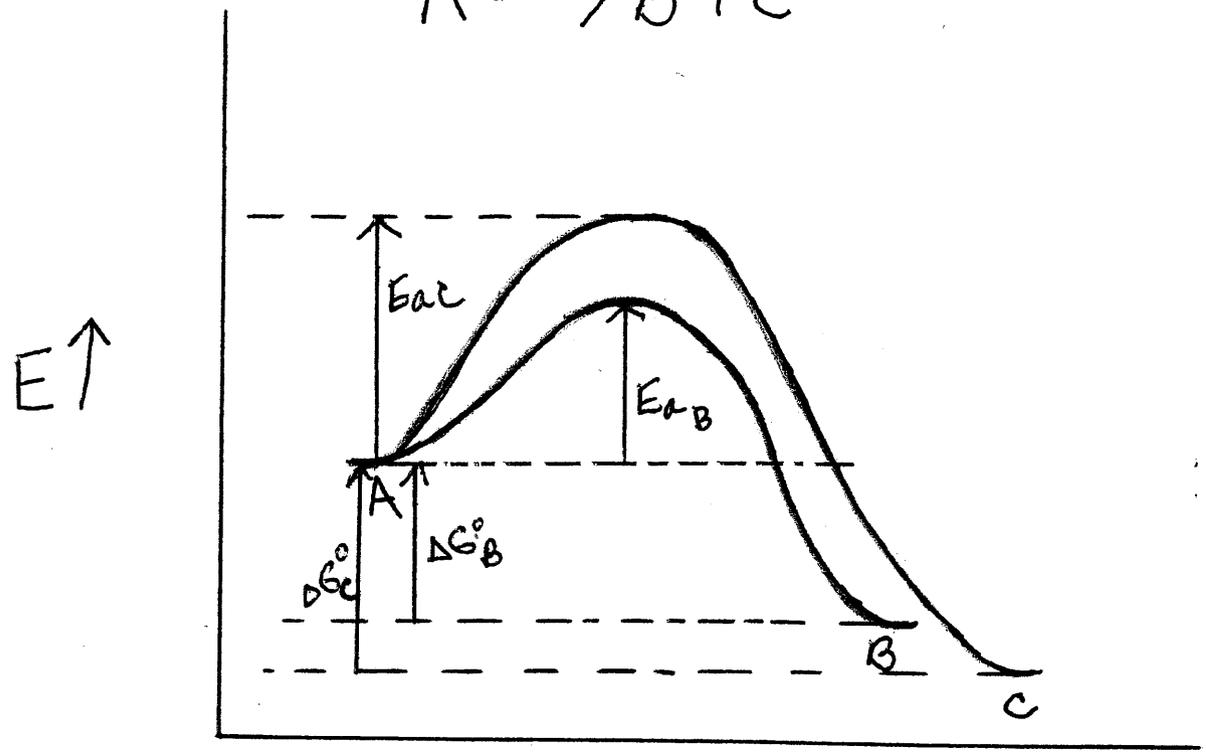
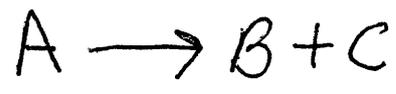
### Mechanism of addition of HBr



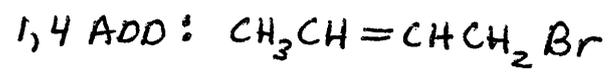
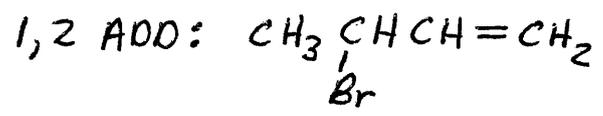
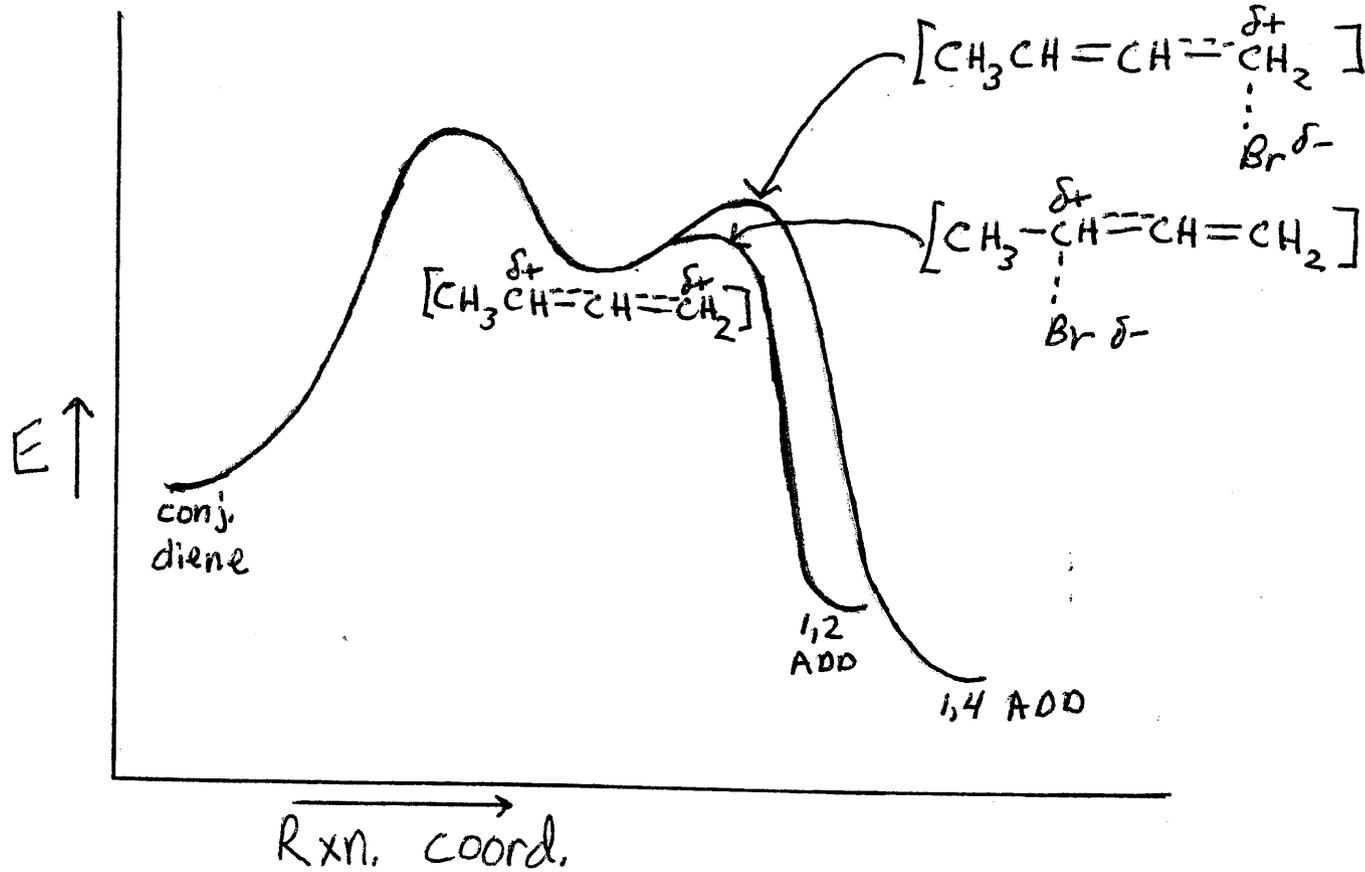
ratio of products:      at low temperature

                                 at high temperature

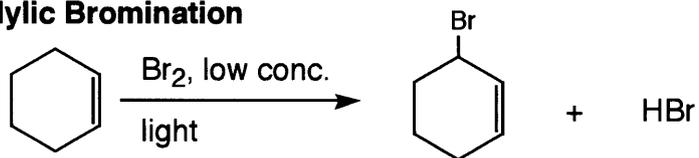
The process above is an example of Rate (Kinetic) versus Equilibrium (Thermodynamic) Control.



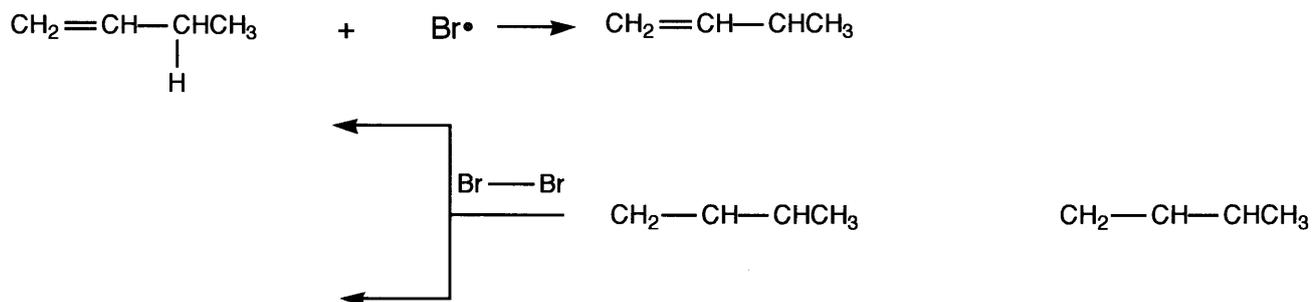
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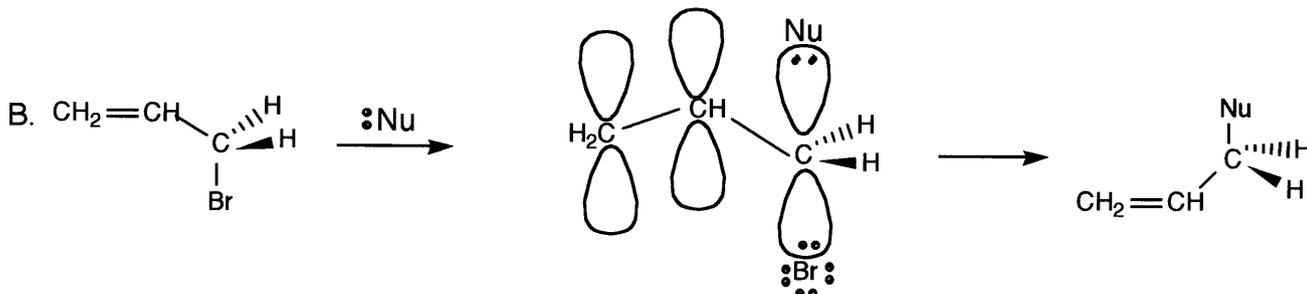
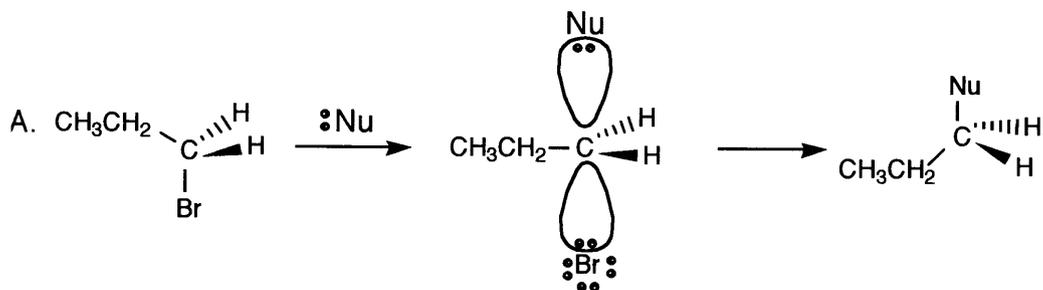
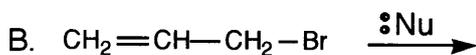
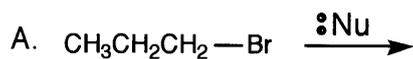
### Allylic Bromination



Consider allylic bromination in an asymmetric alkene:



### S<sub>N</sub>2 Displacement Reactions of Allylic Halides (and Tosylates)



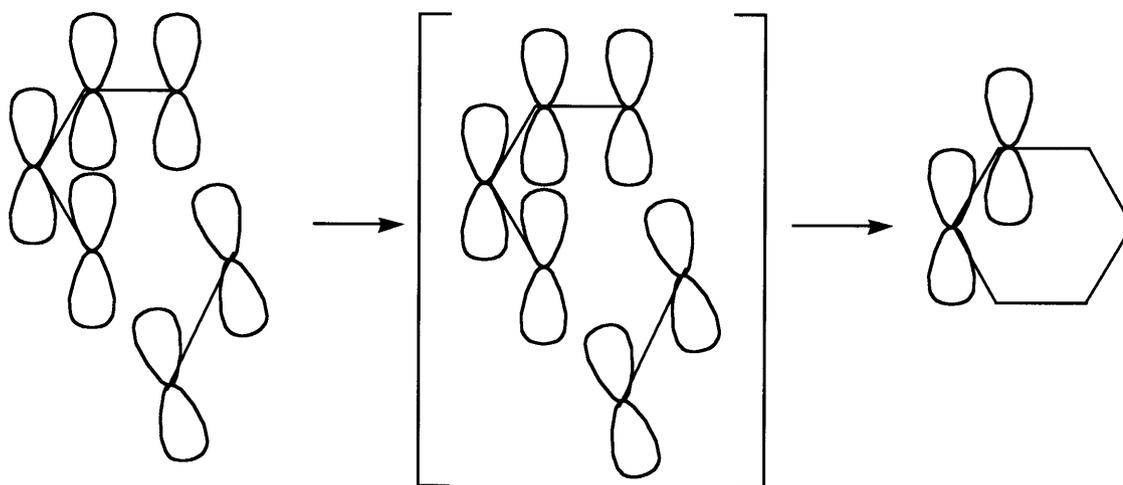
Example:



**The Diels - Alder Reaction:** a [4 + 2] cycloaddition and a Nobel Prize winning reaction

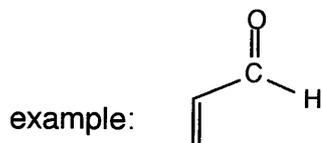
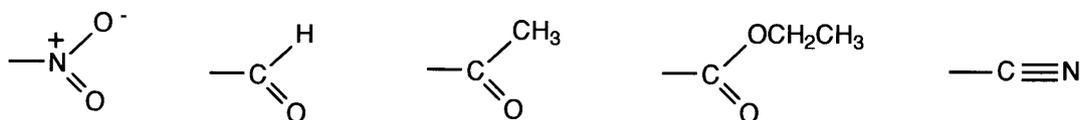


**Mechanism:**

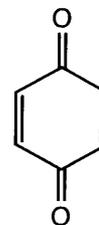
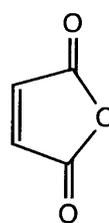


**The dienophile:**

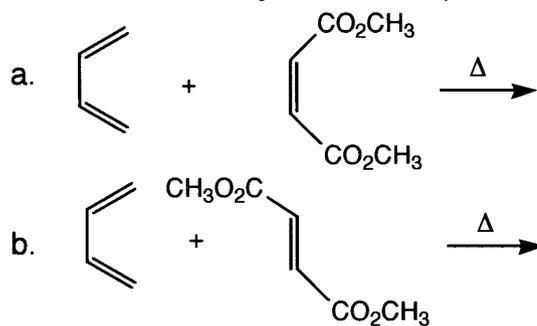
1. Must have at least one good electron withdrawing group to be reactive (electron withdrawal by resonance is best)



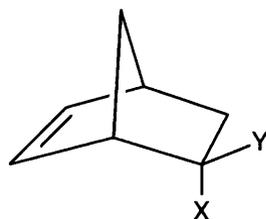
other dienophiles:



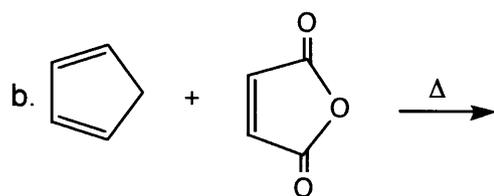
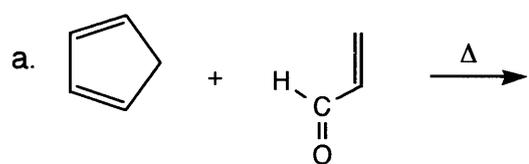
2. Stereochemistry of the dienophile is maintained.



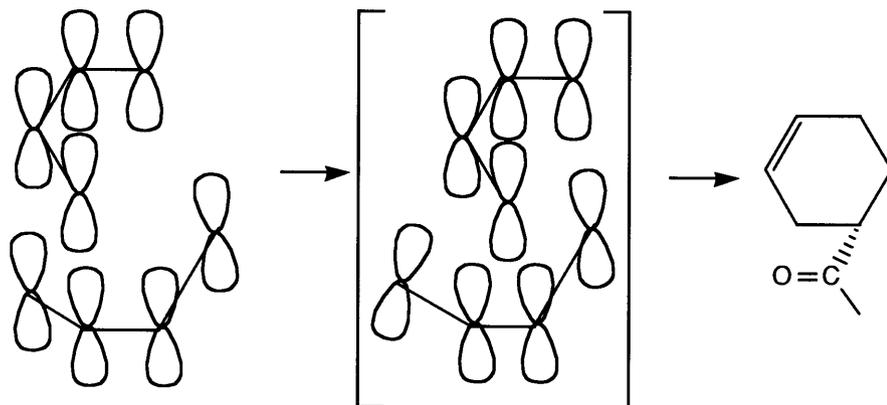
3. The Endo Rule: The electron withdrawing substituent of the dienophile prefers to occupy the endo position on the new ring system.



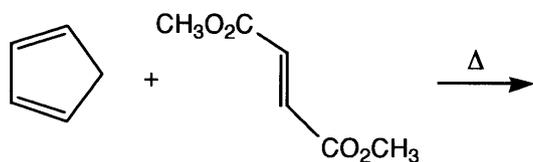
Example:



Explanation:

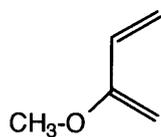


One more "endo" example:

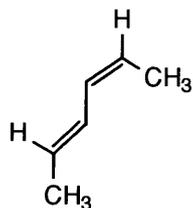
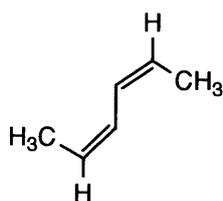
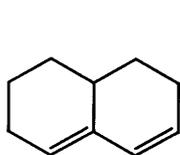
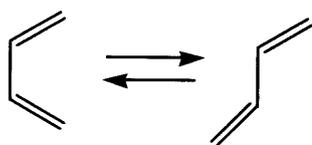


## The Diene

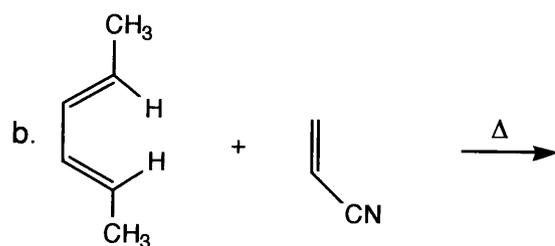
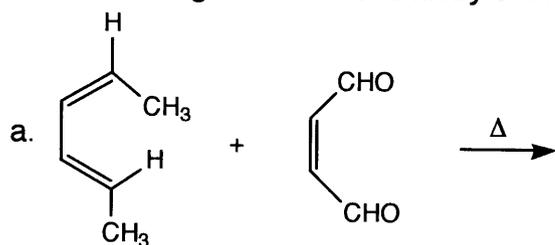
1. Electron donating groups enhance reactivity, but are not required. Examples - alkyl groups (R-), alkoxy groups (RO-)



2. Conformation:



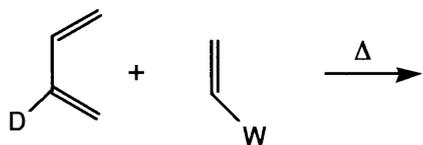
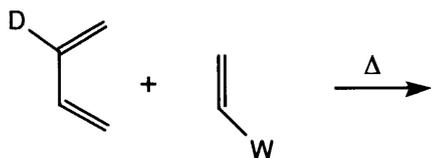
3. Translating the stereochemistry of the diene to the product:



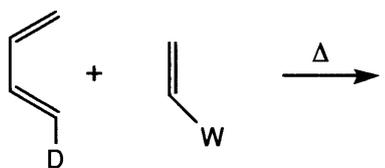
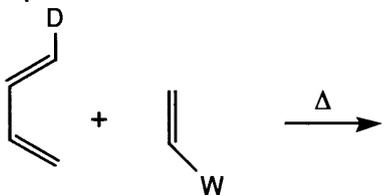
## Diels-Alder Reactions Using Unsymmetrical Reagents

Two possible orientations for reagents in the transition state:

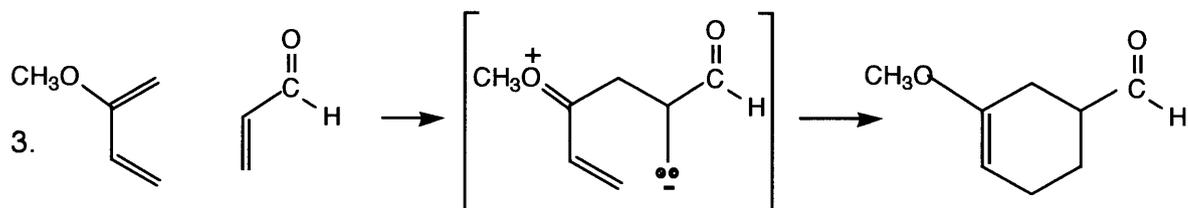
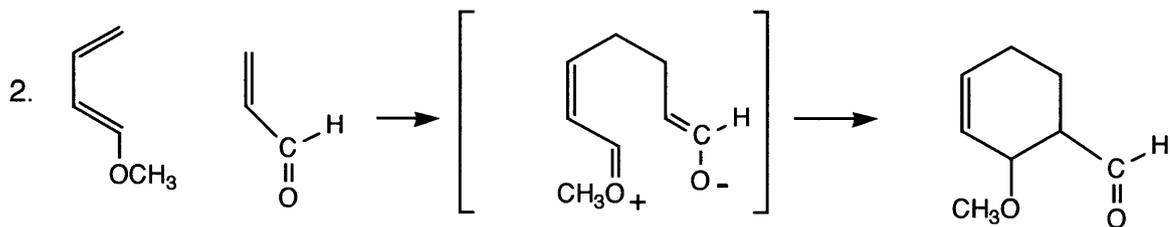
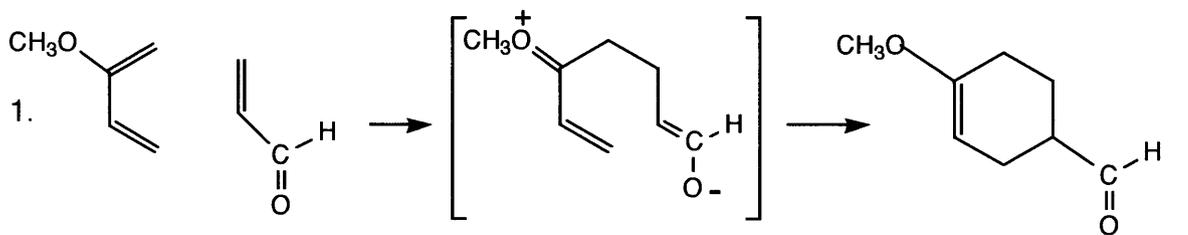
Example 1:



Example 2:

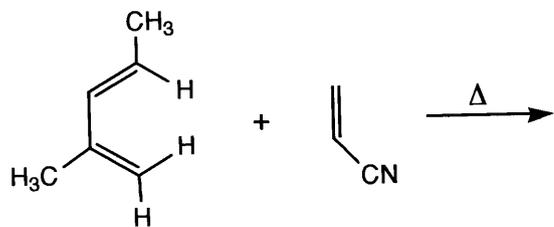


**Explanation:** Stability of imaginary intermediate that results from imaginary electron flow from donating to withdrawing group or the "push - pull" mechanism.





Unsymmetrical Example:



UV- VIS Spectroscopy - our most "exciting" technique

Pi molecular orbitals of:

