

Curly Arrows And Electron Flow

A. Introduction

B. Electron Flow

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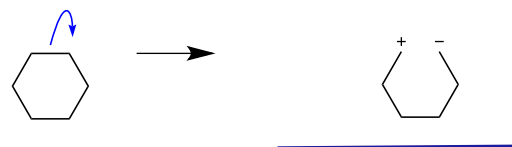
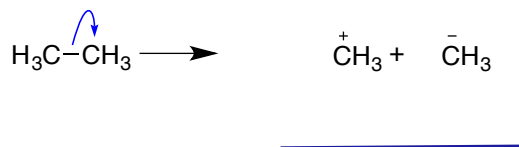
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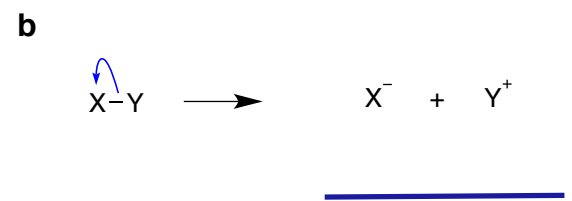
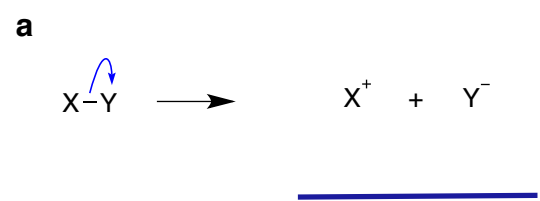
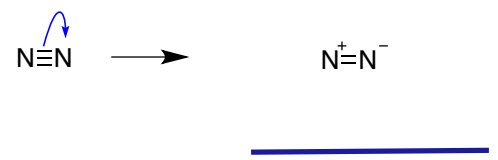
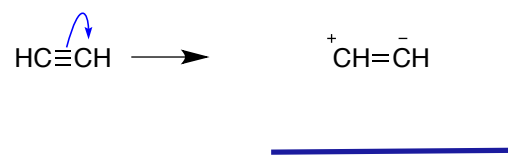
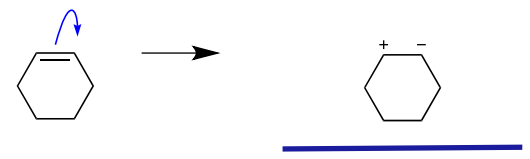
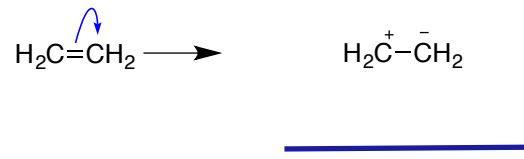
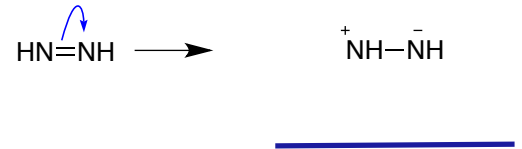
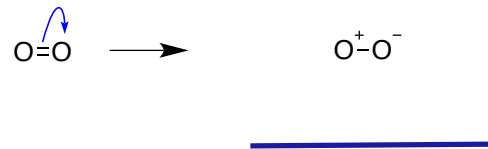
Effecting Only One Bond

heterolytic



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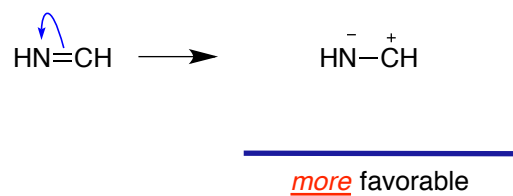
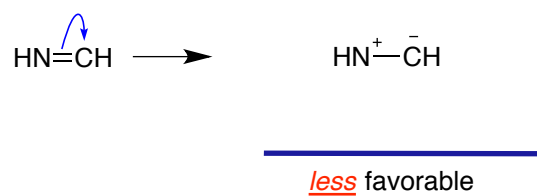
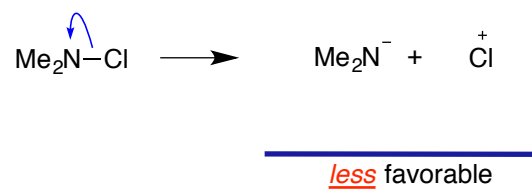
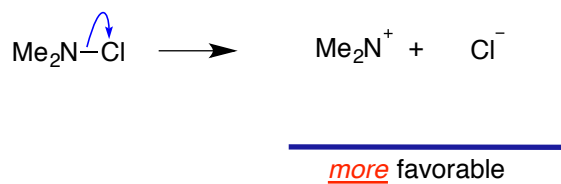
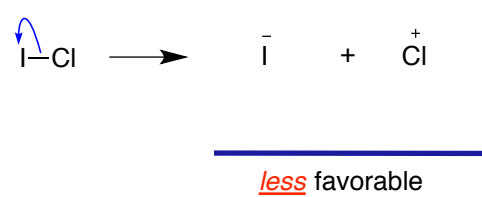
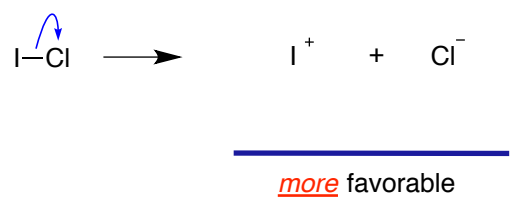
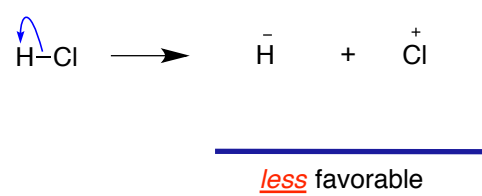
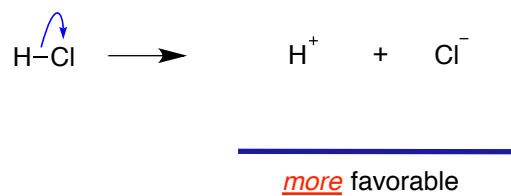
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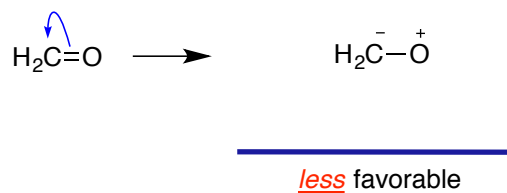
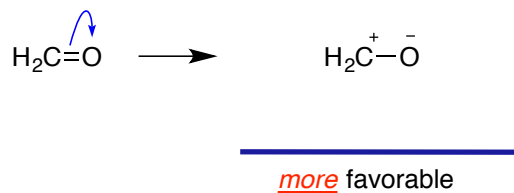
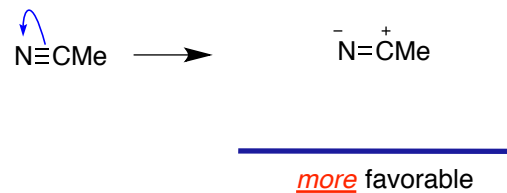
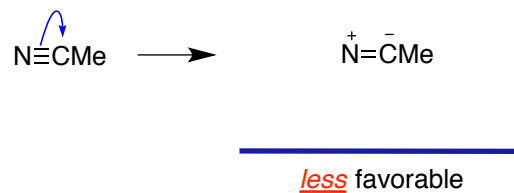


is less
towards Y.

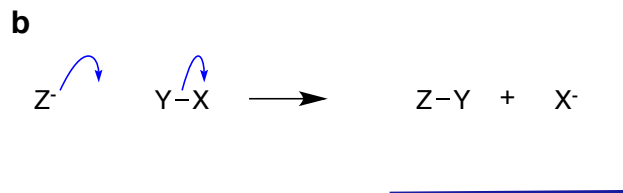
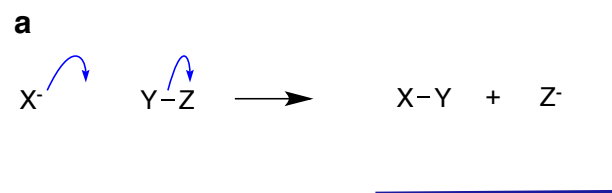
pathway 1

pathway 2



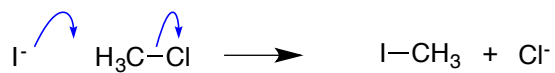


Effecting Two Bonds

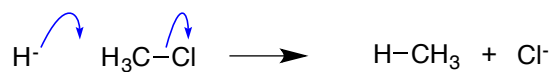


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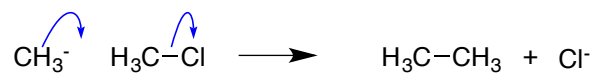
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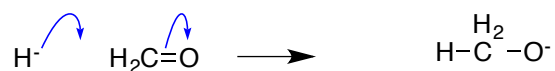
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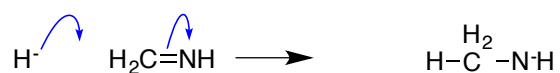
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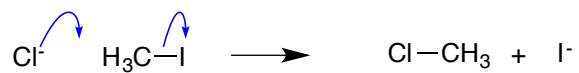


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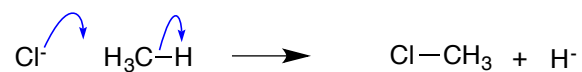


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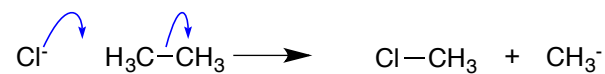
pathway 2



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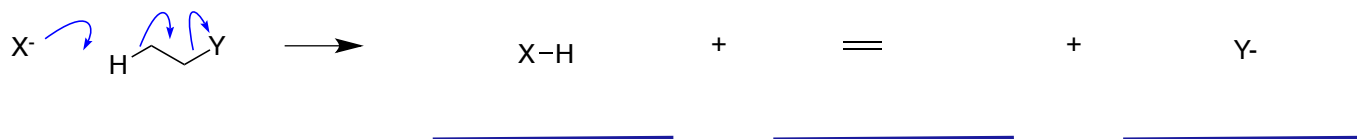
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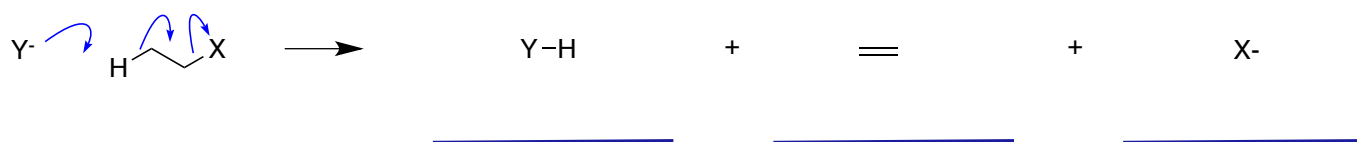
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Effecting Four Bonds

a



b



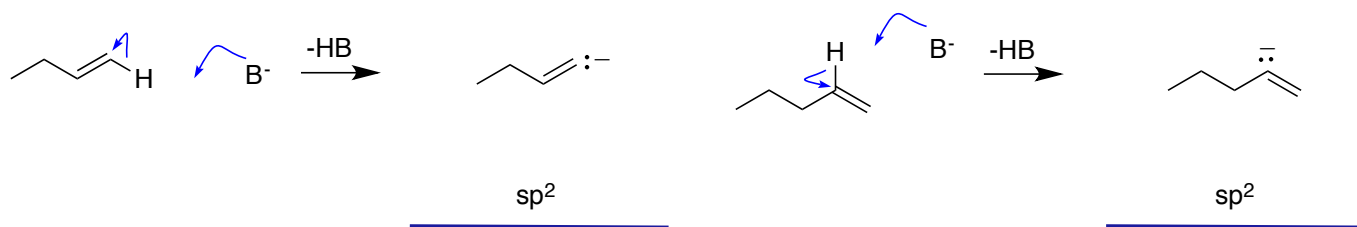
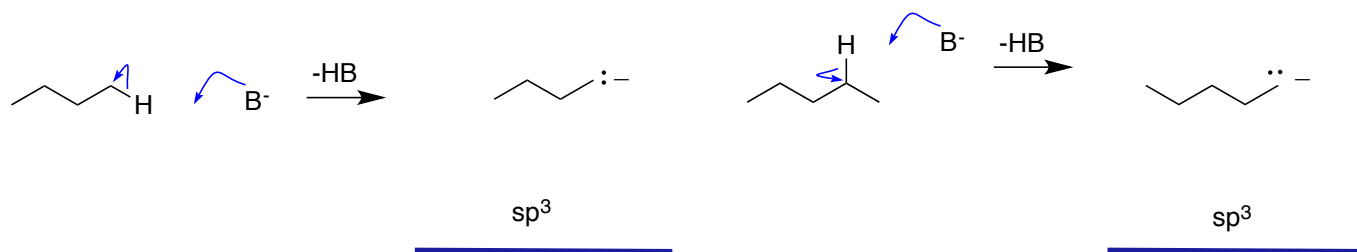
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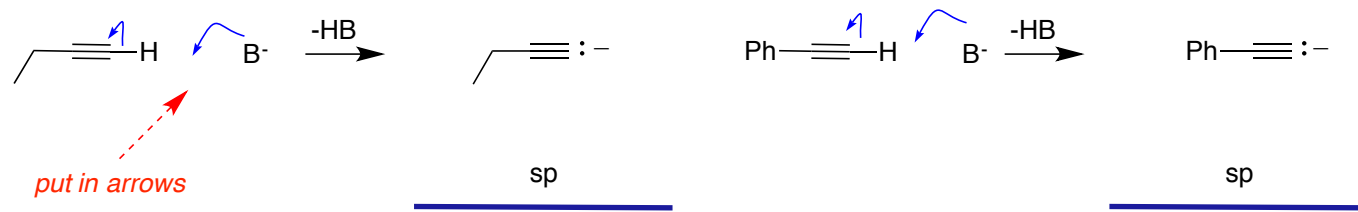
C. Representations Of Charged Hydrocarbon Scaffolds

sp^3 hybridized carbon the resulting anion is sp^3 hybridized.

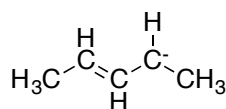
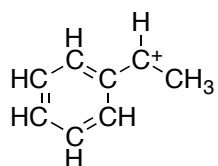
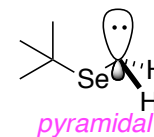
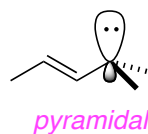
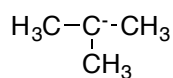
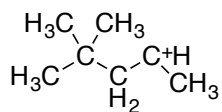
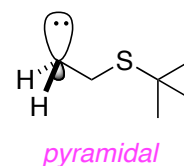
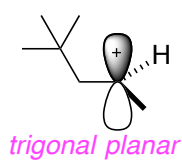
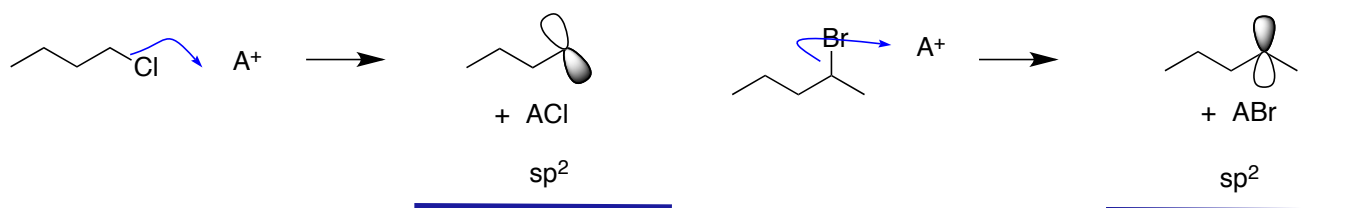
electrons move *towards C* and the resulting anion is sp^2 hybridized.

sp -Hybridized carbanions





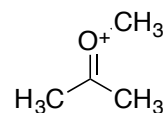
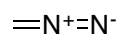
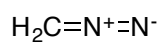
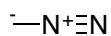
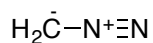
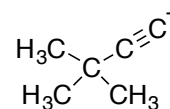
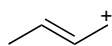
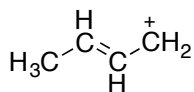
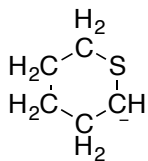
A sp^3 -hybridized carbon has 4
 tend to be sp^2 hybridized.



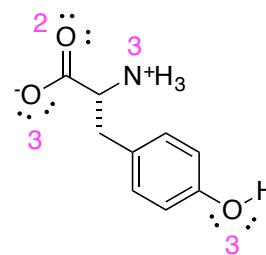
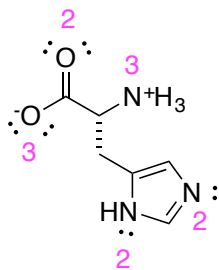
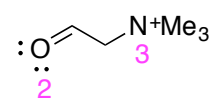
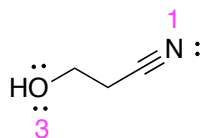
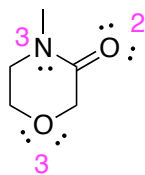
sp^2 hybridized, and carbanions C^-R_3 are sp^3 -hybridized. Explain why this is so by considering the number of electrons around carbon in C^+H_3 and in C^-H_3 .

Carbon in C^+R_3 has to accommodate *three atoms containing six shared electrons* around it.

Carbon in C^-H_3 has to accommodate *three atoms and one lone pair containing eight shared electrons* around it.

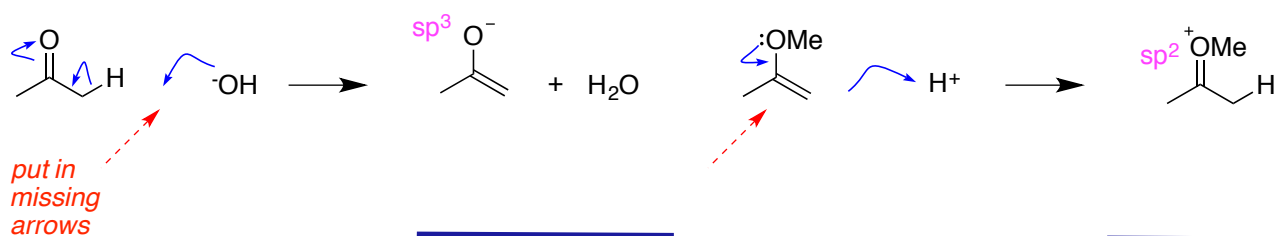
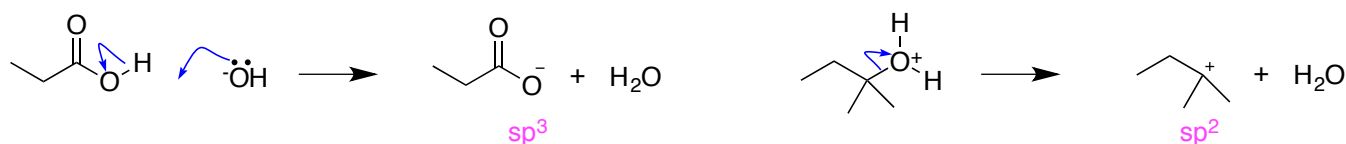


D. Heteroatoms, Lone Pairs, And Moving Electrons

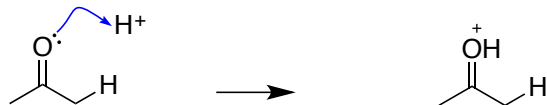
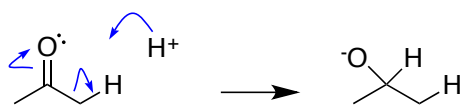
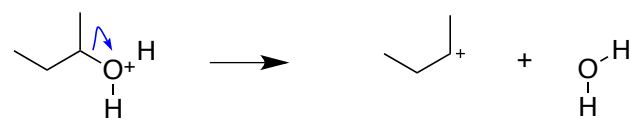
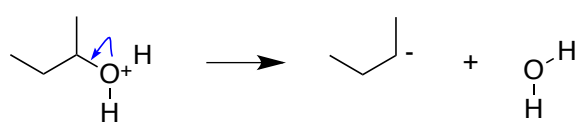
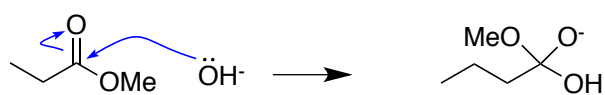
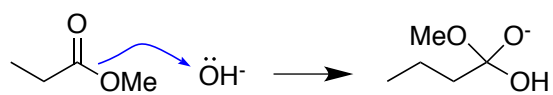


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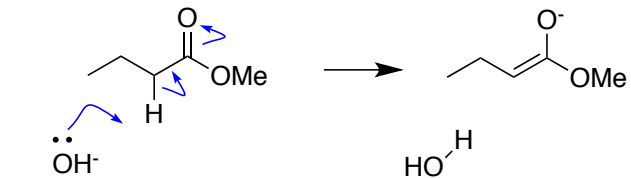
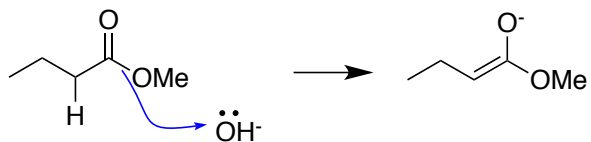
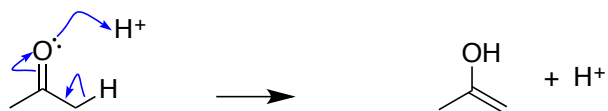
sp^2 hybridized protonated heteroatoms
become sp hybridized protonated heteroatoms.
Conversely, there *can* be

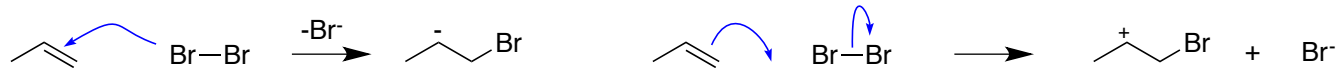


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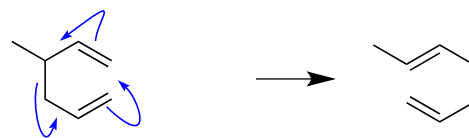
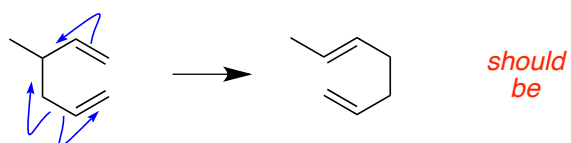


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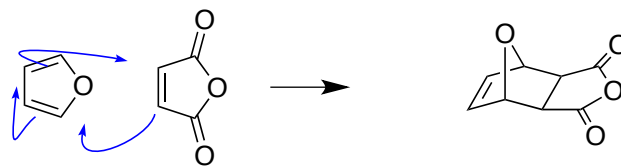
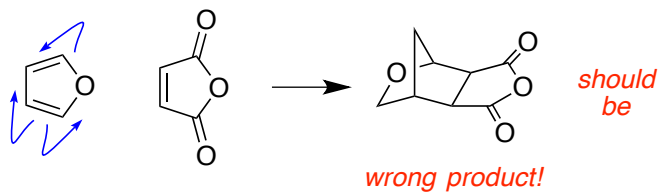




put in missing arrows



show all arrows



show all arrows