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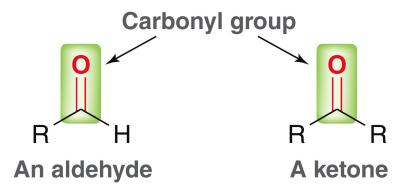
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Chapter 19 Aldehydes and Ketones

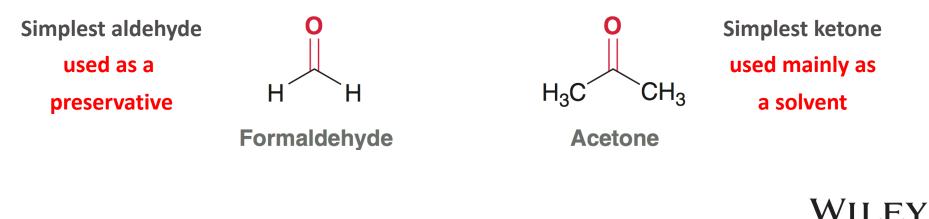


19.1 Ketones and Aldehydes

• Both functional groups possess the carbonyl group



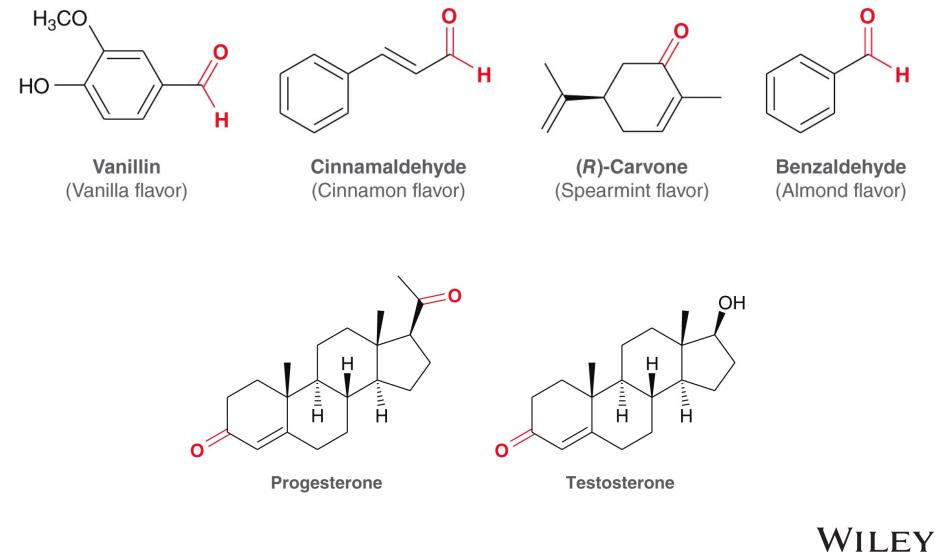
• Important in both biology and industry



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19.1 Ketones and Aldehydes

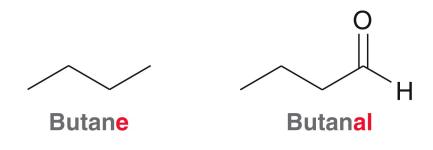


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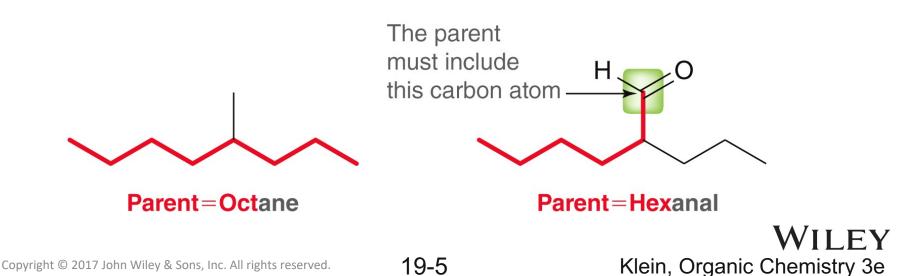
- Four discrete steps to naming an aldehyde or ketone
- Same procedure as with alkanes, alcohols, etc...
- 1. Identify and name the parent chain
- 2. Identify the name of the substituents (side groups)
- 3. Assign a locant (number) to each substituents
- 4. Assemble the name alphabetically

1. Identify and name the parent chain

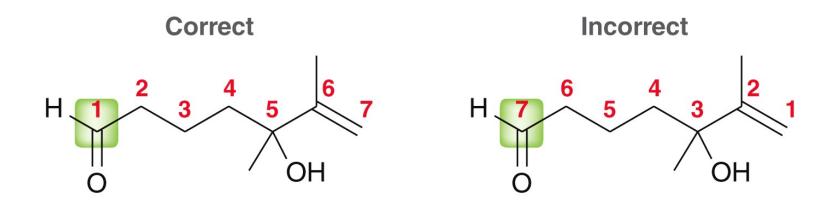
For aldehydes, replace the "-e" ending with an "-al"



the parent chain must include the carbonyl carbon



- **1.** Identify and name the parent chain
 - The aldehydic carbon is assigned number 1:

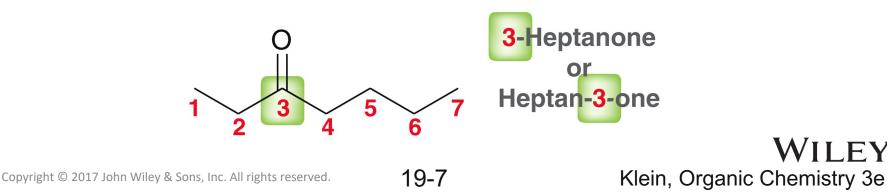




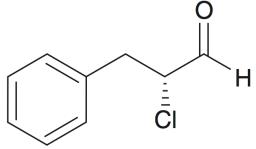
- **1.** Identify and name the parent chain
 - For ketones, replace the "-e" ending with an "-one"



- The parent chain must include the C=O group
- the C=O carbon is given the lowest #, and can be expressed before the parent name or before the suffix

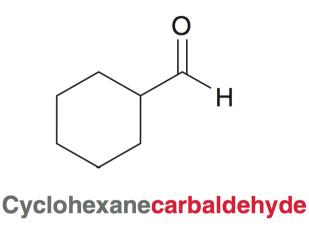


The configuration of a chiral center is indicated at the beginning of the name



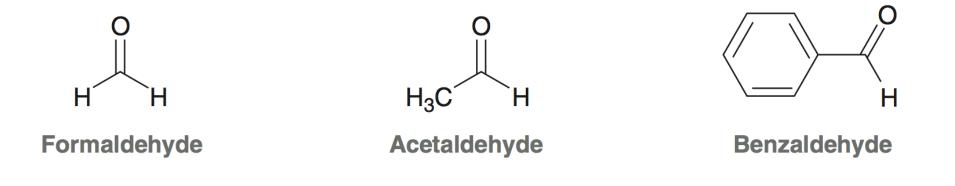
(R)-2-Chloro-3-phenylpropanal

• Aldehyde next to a ring is named as a carbaldehyde





• IUPAC also recognizes the following common names as parent names:

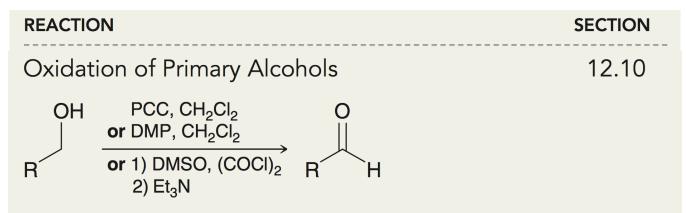


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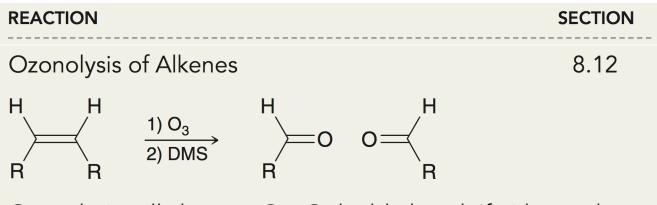
• Summary of aldehyde preparation (review)



When treated with a strong oxidizing agent, primary alcohols are oxidized to carboxylic acids. Formation of an aldehyde requires a mild oxidizing agent, such as the oxidizing agents shown above, that will not further oxidize the resulting aldehyde.



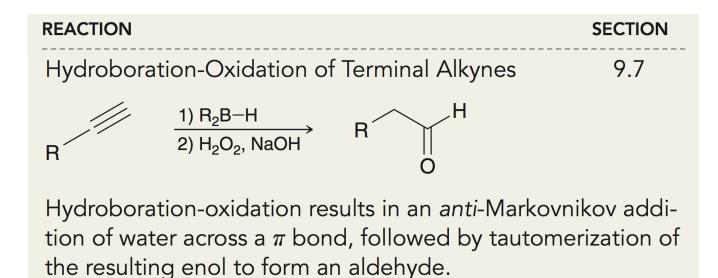
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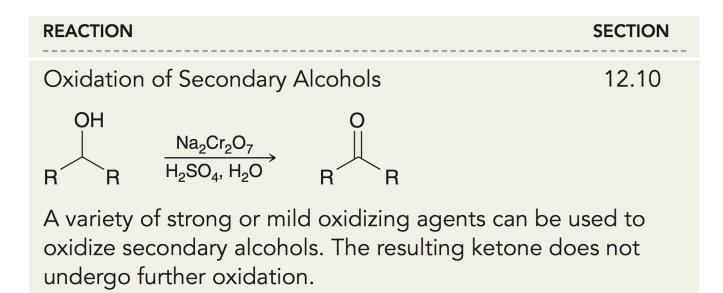
Ozonolysis will cleave a C=C double bond. If either carbon atom bears a hydrogen atom, an aldehyde will be formed.



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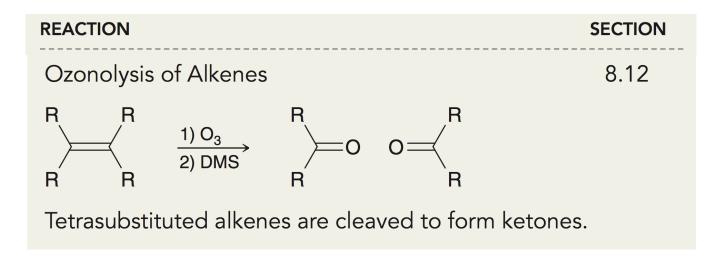


• Summary of **ketone preparation** (review)



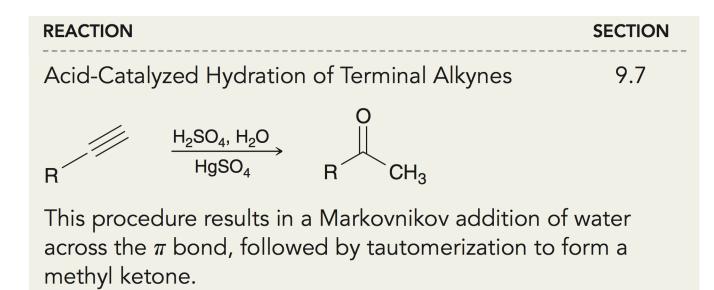


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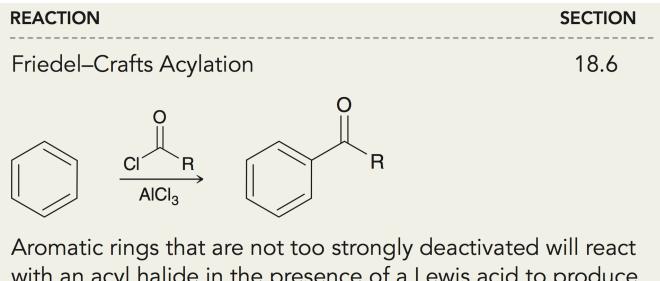


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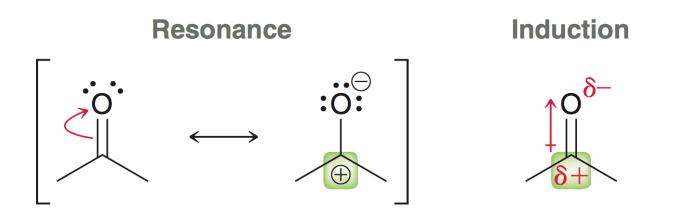


with an acyl halide in the presence of a Lewis acid to produce an aryl ketone.

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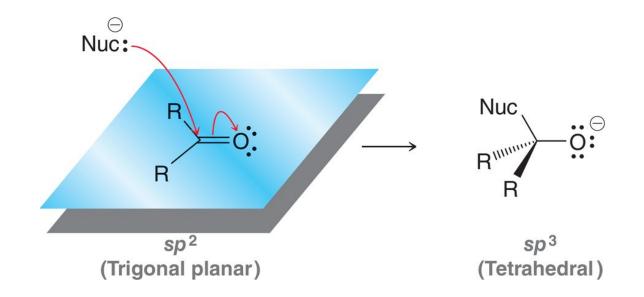
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• The carbonyl carbon is electrophilic; this is derived from resonance effects and inductive effects

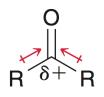




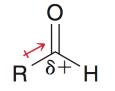
• The carbonyl carbon is attacked by nucleophiles, forming a new σ bond in exchange for the C=O π bond, and becoming a tetrahedral center:



- Aldehydes are generally more reactive towards nucleophiles than ketones:
 - 1. Steric effects aldehydes are less sterically hindered
 - 2. Electronic effects aldehyde has a larger $\delta^{\scriptscriptstyle +}$ on the carbonyl carbon:



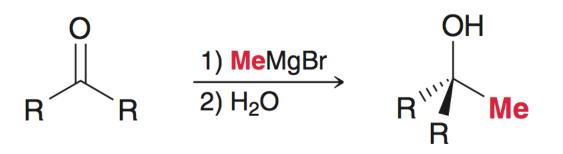
A ketone has two electron-donating alkyl groups that stabilize the partial positive charge



An aldehyde has only one electron-donating alkyl group that stabilizes the partial positive charge

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- Some nucleophiles require acidic conditions, others require basic conditions
- Example: the **Grignard reaction = basic conditions**

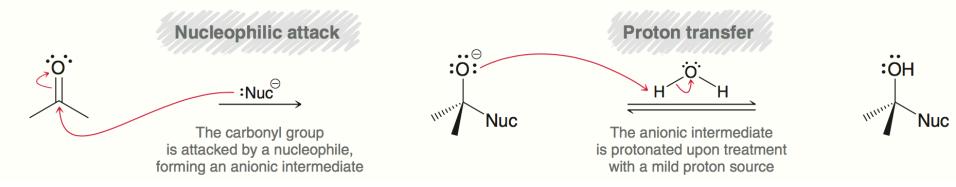


 Generally, a strong nucleophile means the reaction is under basic conditions (grignards, hydrides, etc)



• Under **basic conditions**, all nucleophiles react with carbonyls by the **same general mechanism**:

MECHANISM 19.1 NUCLEOPHILIC ADDITION UNDER BASIC CONDITIONS



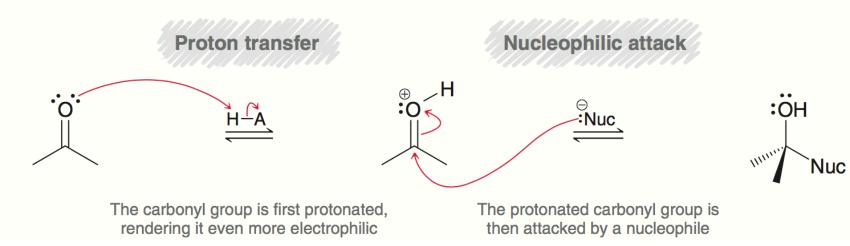
 Nucleophile attacks, forming a *negatively* charged intermediate, which is protonated upon acidic workup

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• Aldehydes/ketones react with a variety of weaker nucleophiles, under **acidic conditions**, by the same general mechanism:

MECHANISM 19.2 NUCLEOPHILIC ADDITION UNDER ACIDIC CONDITIONS



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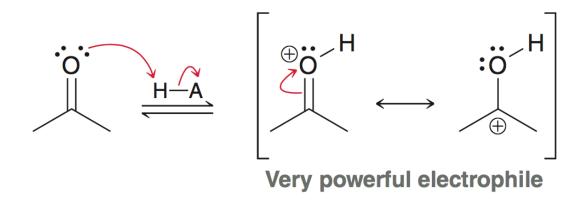
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 The carbonyl is protonated to form a *positively* charged intermediate, which can be attacked by a weak nucleophile

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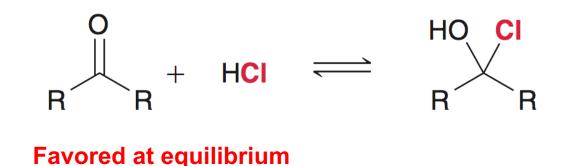
• Acidic conditions are required in order for a weak nucleophile to attack a carbonyl carbon:



• Protonation of the carbonyl makes it a better electrophile



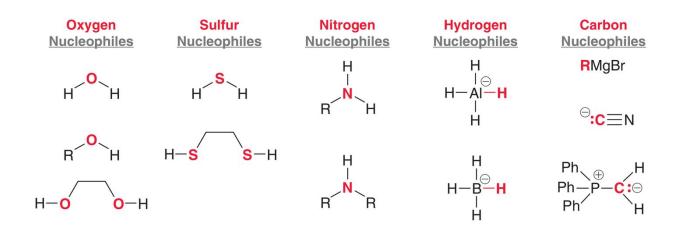
- When a nucleophile attacks a carbonyl group, the equilibrium depends on the ability of the nucleophile to function as a leaving group.
- Example:



 Since the nucleophile, Cl⁻, is also a good leaving group, equilibrium favors the starting ketone



• We will cover the following nucleophiles and their reaction with ketones and aldehydes:

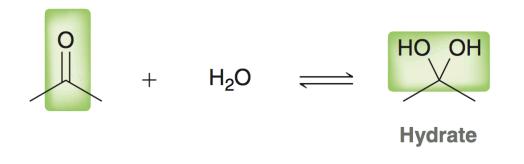


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 In the presence of water, a ketone/aldehyde is in equilibrium with its hydrate:



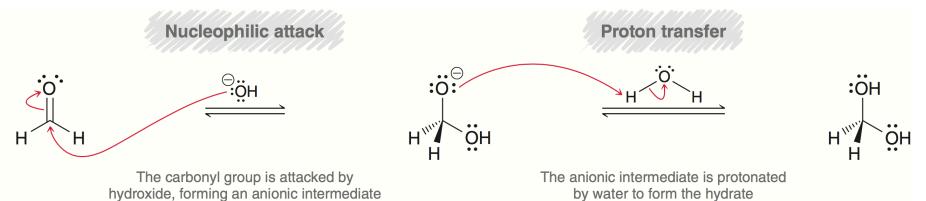
- Equilibrium generally does not favor the formation of the hydrate (except for very simple aldehydes)
- The rate of reaction is slow unless acidic or basic conditions are used

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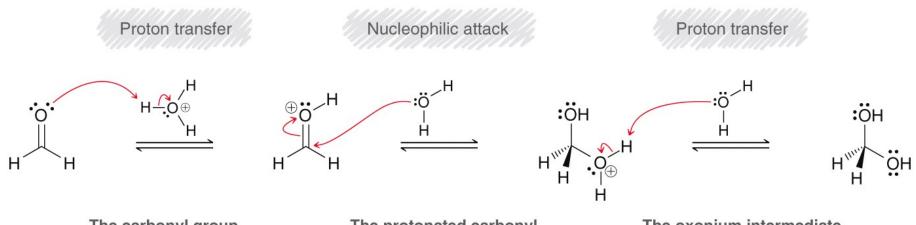
• Under basic conditions, OH⁻ is the nucleophile:

MECHANISM 19.3 BASE-CATALYZED HYDRATION



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 Under acidic conditions, the carbonyl is protonated, and H₂O is the nucleophile:



The carbonyl group is protonated, rendering it more electrophilic The protonated carbonyl group is attacked by water, forming an oxonium intermediate

The oxonium intermediate is deprotonated by water to form the hydrate

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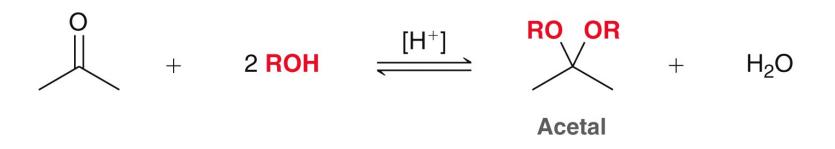
- KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN MIND WHEN DRAWING MECHANISMS:
- Under acidic conditions, a mechanism will only be reasonable if it avoids the use or formation of strong bases

A strong base cannot exist in an acidic environment.

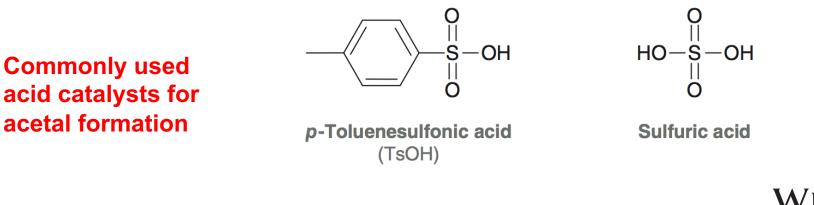
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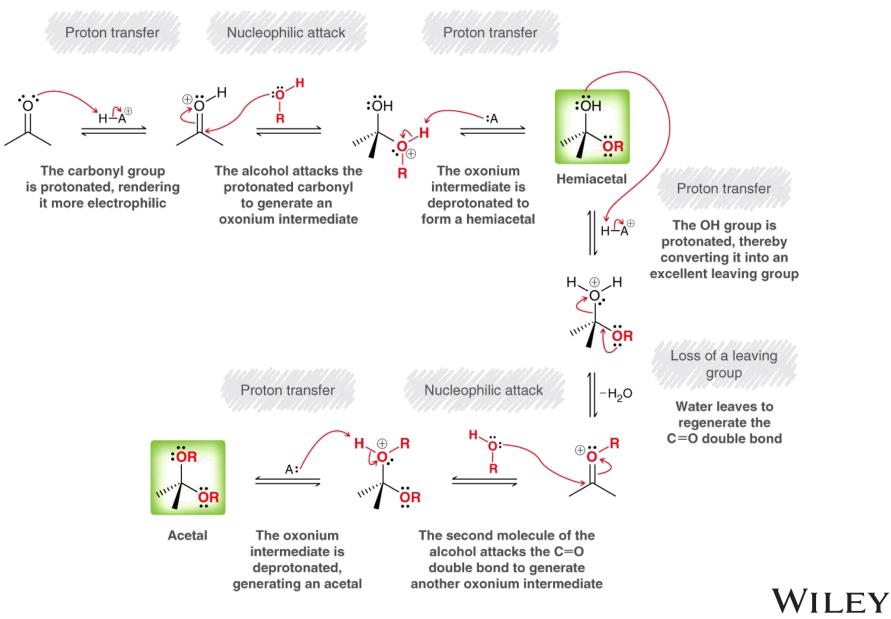
• Alcohols can attack ketones/aldehydes:



• Under acidic conditions, 1 ketone/aldehyde reacts with 2 alcohols to form an **acetal**.



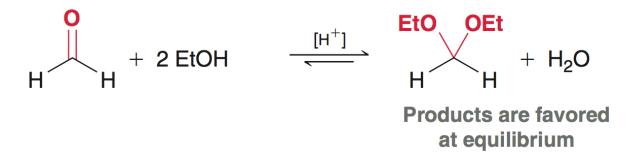
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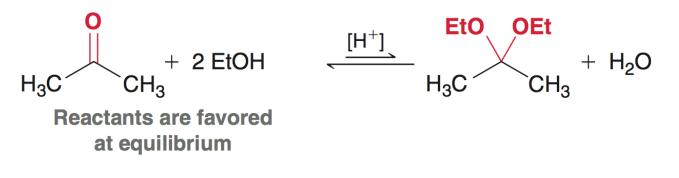
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- Acetal formation is an equilibrating process
- For most simple aldehydes, the acetal is favored at equilibrium

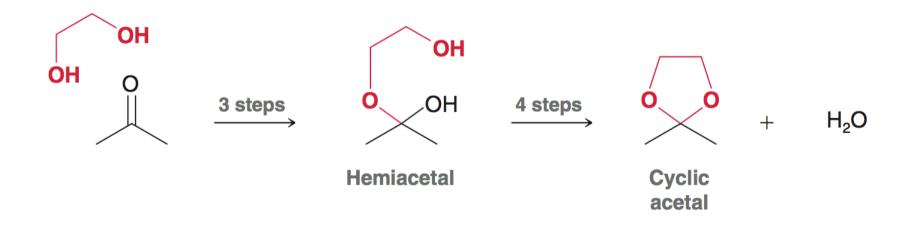


• For most ketones, the acetal is not favored at equilibrium



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• If a diol is used, then both equivalents of alcohol come from the same compound, and a cyclic acetal is formed

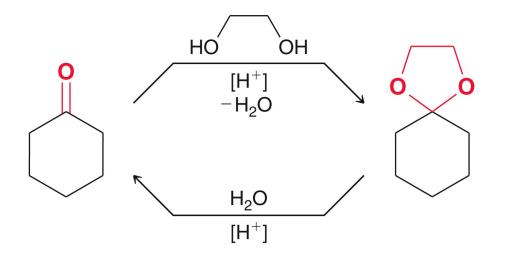


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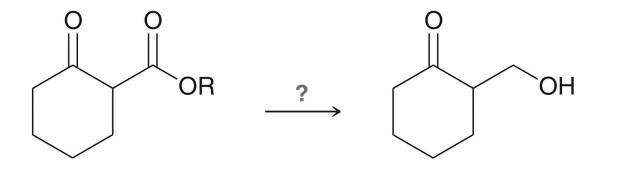
- Acetal formation is reversible, and can be controlled by adding/removing water:
- To favor acetal formation, water is removed from the reaction
- To convert an acetal back into the ketone/aldehyde, water is added to the acetal, with H+ catalyst:



 In this way, acetals can be used as protecting groups for ketones/aldehydes

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• Consider how the following synthesis could be accomplished:



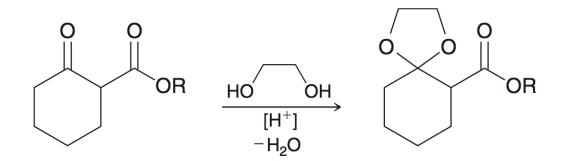
- We need to convert an ester to 1° alcohol, which requires LAH, while leaving the ketone unchanged.
- **problem**: Using LAH would reduce the ketone as well
- **solution**: use a protecting group for the ketone



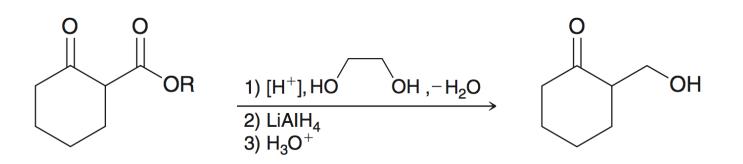
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• First, protect the ketone as a cyclic acetal:



- Then we can reduce the ester, and deprotect the ketone
- Overall:



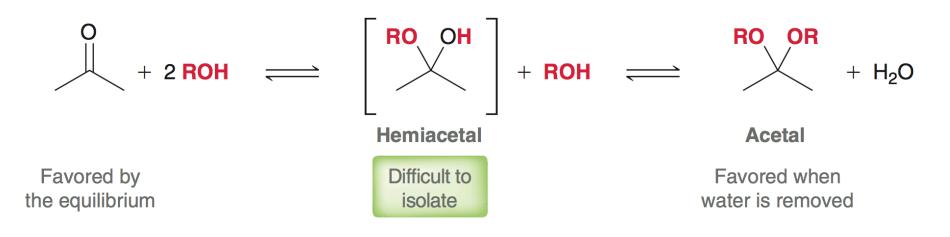
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19.5 Oxygen Nucleophiles

- A **hemiacetal** is the intermediate formed in the conversion of a ketone/aldehyde to an acetal
- The are generally difficult to isolate, as equilibrium either favors the aldehyde/ketone or the acetal, based on conditions used:

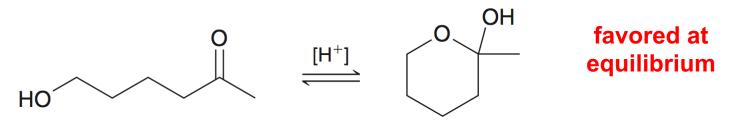


• However, cyclic hemiacetals can be usually be isolated

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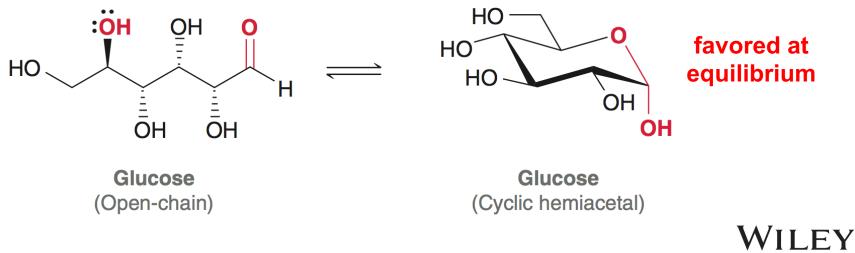
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• A **cyclic hemiacetal** is possible when a compound contains both he carbonyl group and the hydroxy group:



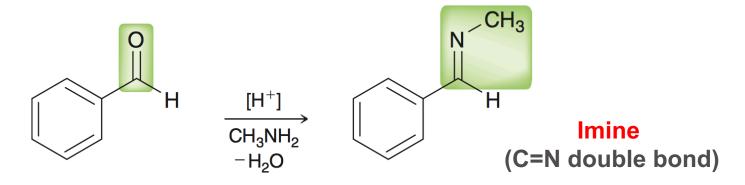
Cyclic hemiacetal

• Cyclic hemiacetals are important in carbohydrate chemistry:



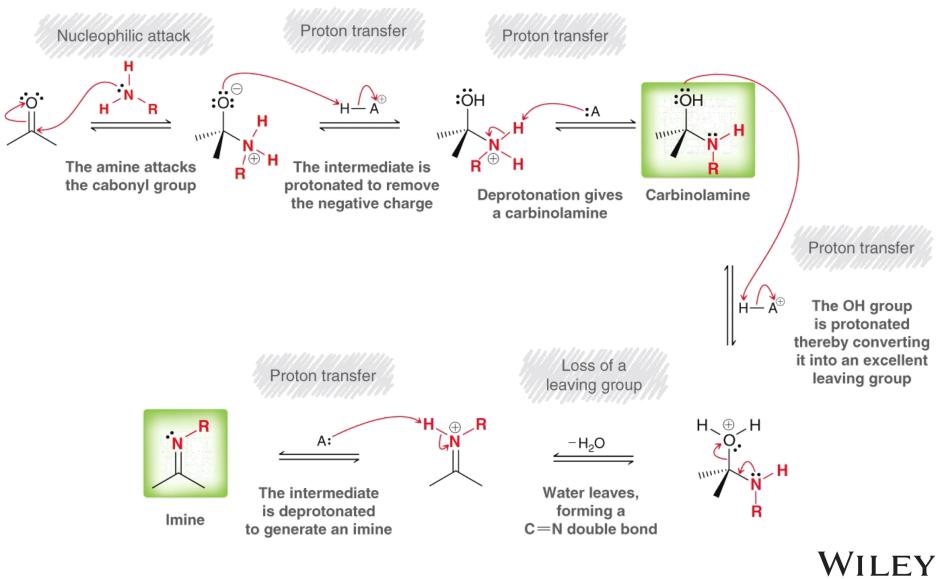
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 Under acidic conditions, aldehyde/ketone reacts with a 1° amine to form an imine:



• The reaction requires acidic conditions to work;

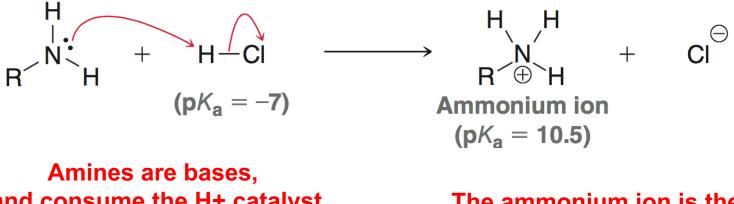




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Even though it is under acidic conditions, protonation of the carbonyl is not the first step of imine formation mechanism



and consume the H+ catalyst

The ammonium ion is the acid catalyst for the reaction

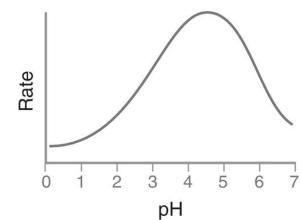
The ammonium ion is not acidic enough to protonate an aldehyde or ketone, but it is acidic enough to transfer a proton to the negatively charged oxygen in the second step.



• For imine formation, the pH has to be right around 5, or the reaction is too slow

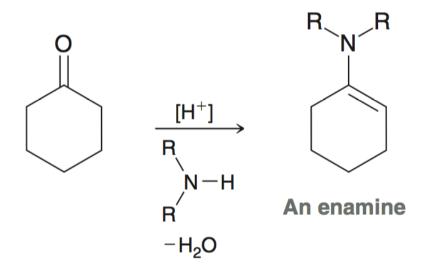
Iower pH = all the amines are protonated, none Available to attack the carbonyl

higher pH = not enough acid to catalyze the reaction effectively



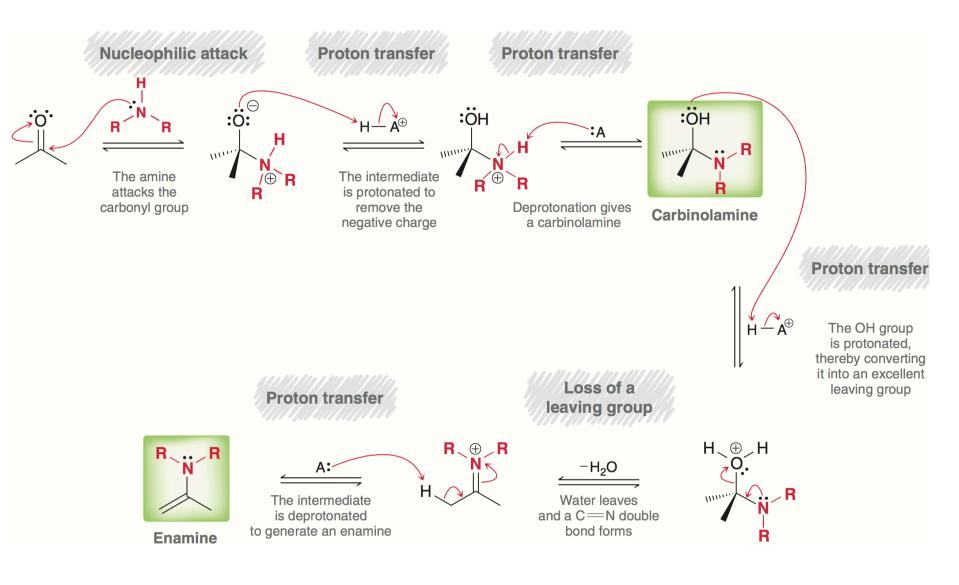
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 Under acidic conditions, aldehyde/ketone reacts with a 2° amine to form an enamine:

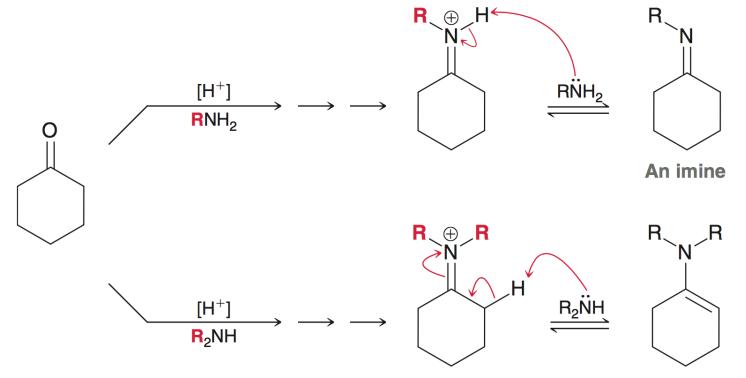


• The reaction requires acidic conditions to work; the mechanism is identical to imine formation, except for the last step





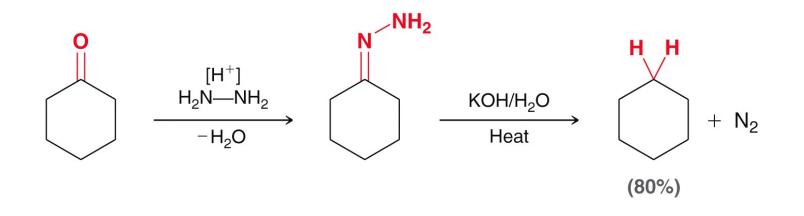
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An enamine

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• Wolff-Kishner reduction is a two-step synthesis, converting a ketone to an alkane:



• First step is imine formation between the ketone and hydrazine (which is like a primary amine)

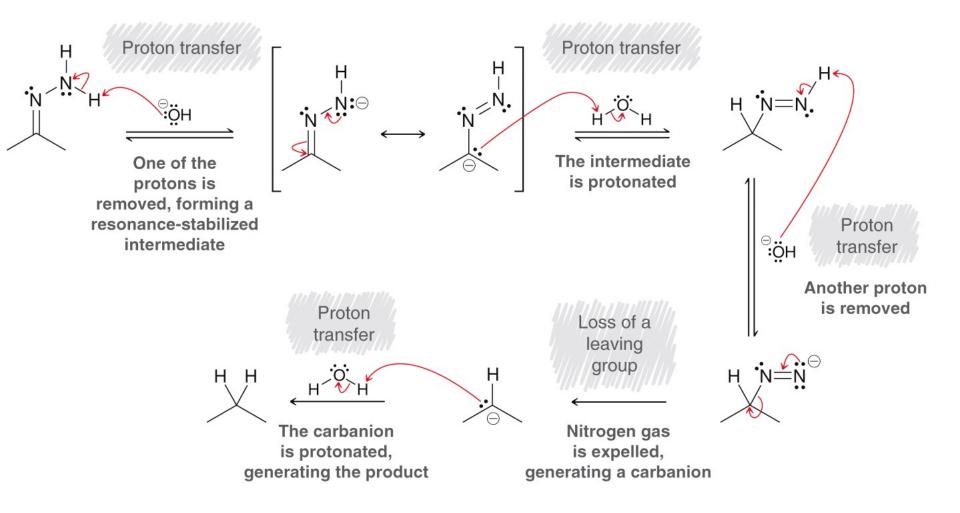
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• Second reaction is like an elimination



Mechanism of 2nd step of Wolff-Kishner reduction:



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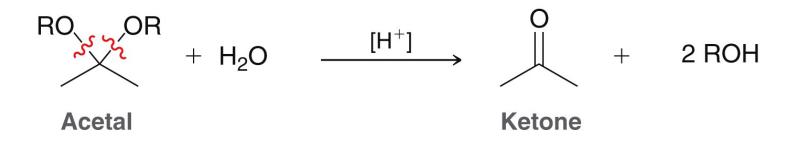
- Note the many similarities between the acid catalyzed mechanisms we have discussed
- One thing to always note:

Under acidic conditions, reaction species should either be neutral or have a +1 formal charge

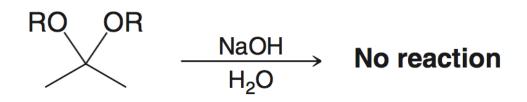


19.7 Hydrolysis of Acetals

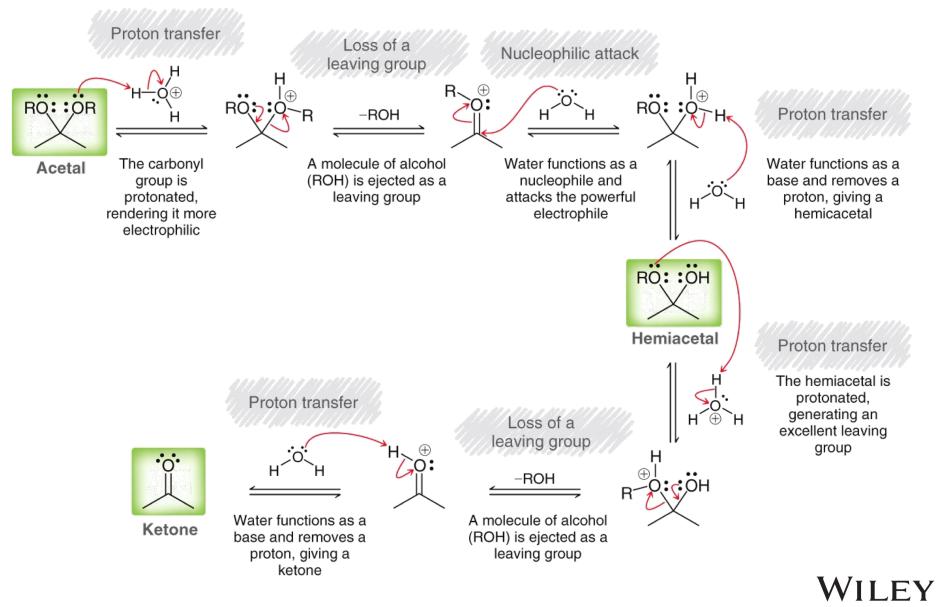
- Acetals are hydrolyzed with aqueous acid to yield a ketone (or aldehyde) and two equivalents of alcohol:
- Simply the reverse of acetal formation:



• Acetals will only react with water under acidic conditions



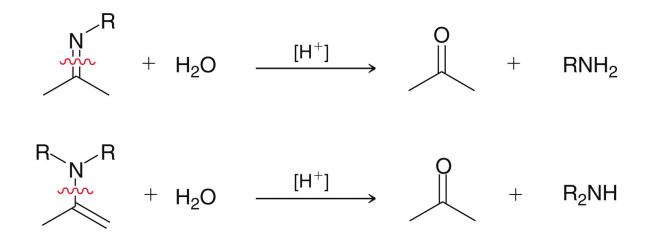
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19.7 Hydrolysis of Imines and Enamines

• Hydrolysis of imines and enamines undergoes a very similar mechanism under acidic conditions

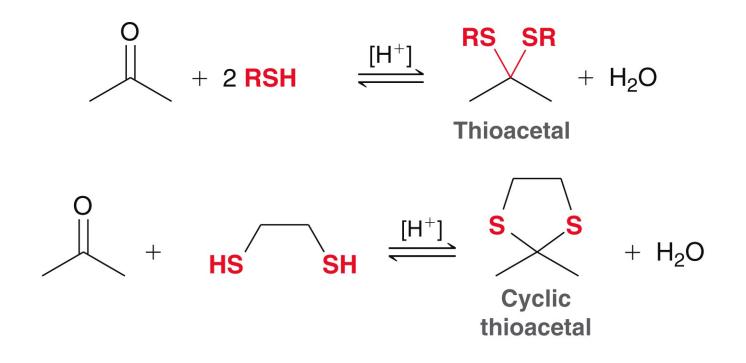


- The mechanism of hydrolysis for imines and enamines is simply the reverse of their mechanisms of formation
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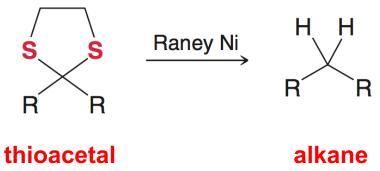
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• Ketones/aldehydes reaction with thiols virtually the same way they react with alcohols:

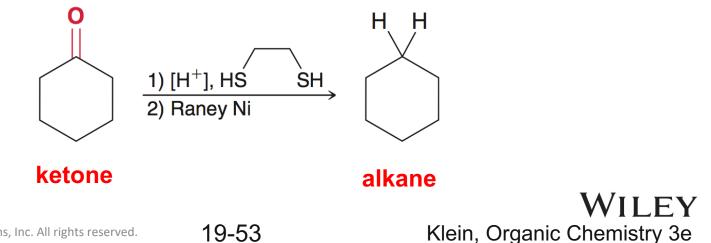


19.8 Sulfur Nucleophiles

• Thioacetals can be converted to alkanes when reacted with Raney nickel.

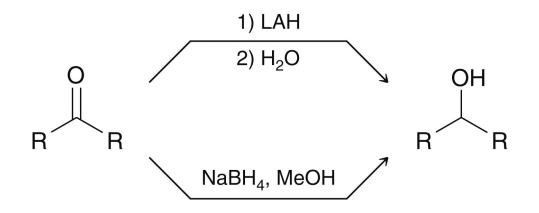


• This allows for another method for reducing a ketone/aldehyde to the corresponding alkane:



19.9 Hydrogen Nucleophiles

- Recall, aldehydes/ketones reduced to alcohols with a hydride reagent
- LiAlH₄ and NaBH₄ function as hydride delivery reagents:

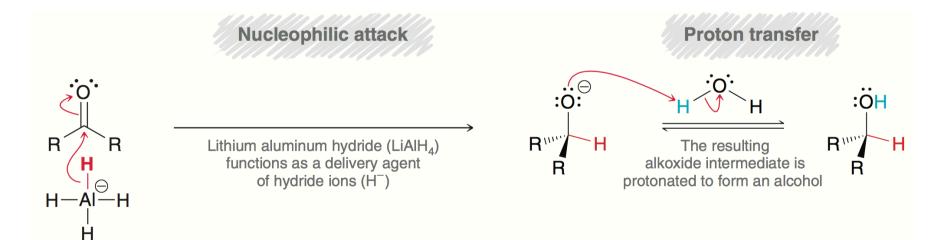


 These reductions are carried out under basic conditions (hydrides are strong nucleophiles)

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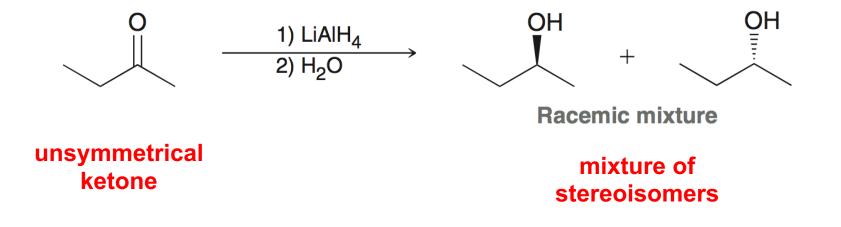
• Basic conditions, so the first step of the mechanism is nucleophilic attack:





19.9 Hydrogen Nucleophiles

Recall, reduction of an unsymmetrical ketone forms a new chiral center:



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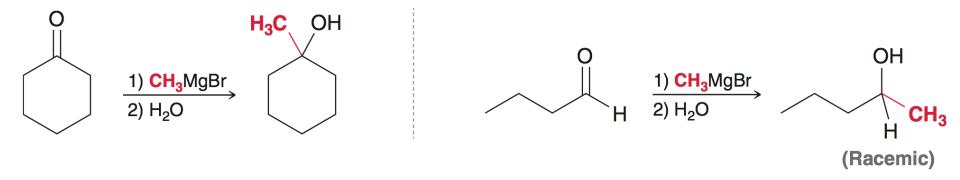
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19.10 Carbon Nucleophiles

• Recall, grignard reagents attack ketones/aldehydes to make an alcohol, with a new C-C bond:

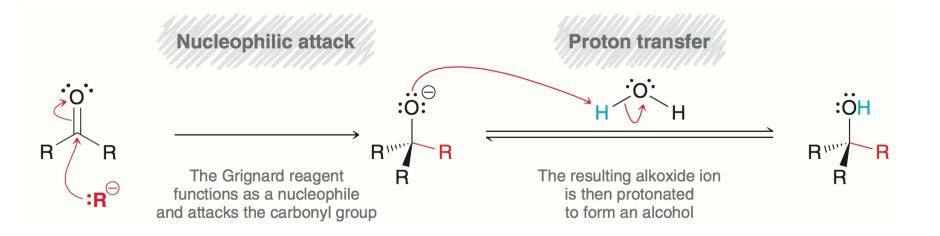


• Note: either face of the carbonyl is attacked by the nucleophile, and a new chiral center may result

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19.10 Carbon Nucleophiles

 Recall the mechanism of the Grignard reaction is consistent with basic conditions (Grignards are strong nucleophiles/strong bases)



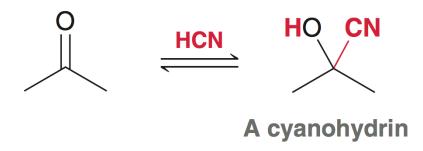
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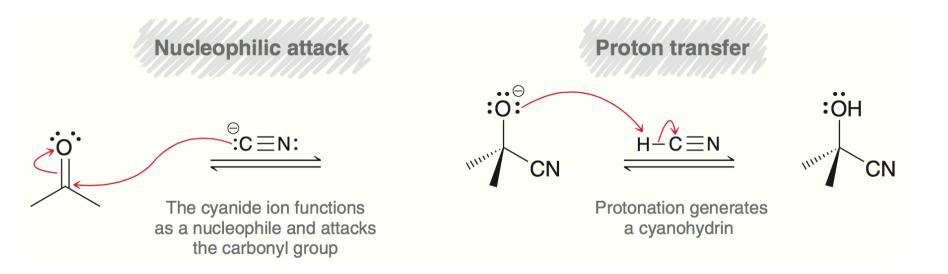
• The cyanide ion is also a carbon-based nucleophile, and reversibly adds to ketones/aldehydes to form a **cyanohydrin**



• This reaction works better under **basic conditions**, and so a catalytic amt of base is usually used

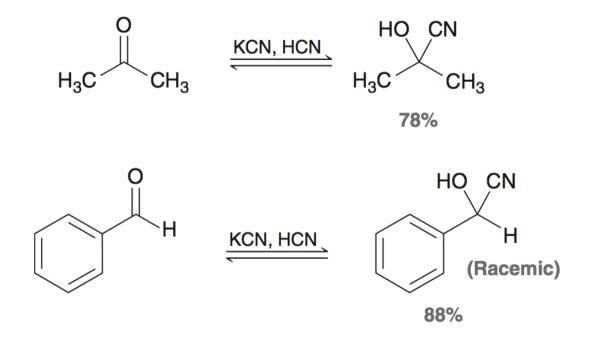


• Mechanism of cyanohydrin formation under basic conditions:



Acidic workup is not necessary since HCN serves as a source of protons

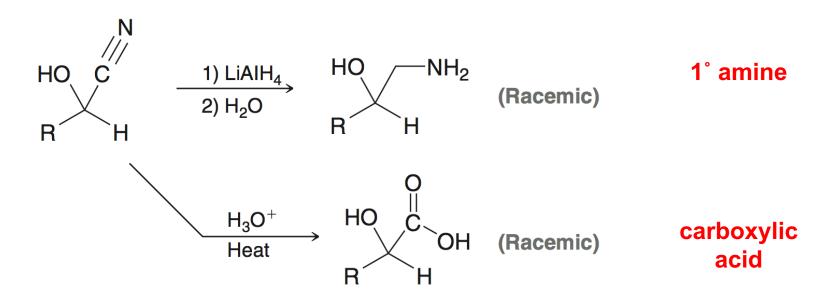
- To achieve basic conditions, KCN is usually added along with HCN.
- In this way, there is more CN⁻ than H⁺



• A new chiral center is possible in this reaction as well

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• Installation of a cyano group is advantageous because it can be converted to other functional groups:

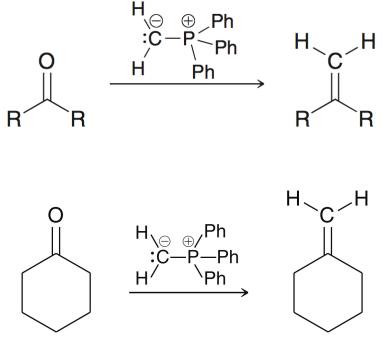


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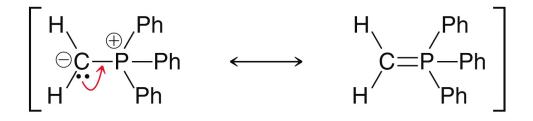
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- The Wittig Reaction is an extremely important reaction in organic chemistry, like Grignard reactions, in that carbon skeleton is modified
- Ketone/aldehyde is converted to an alkene, with the formation of a new C=C double bond



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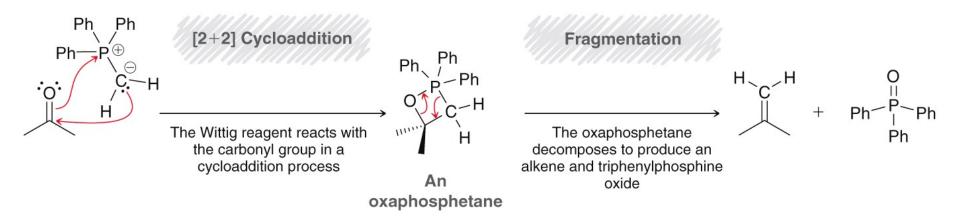
• The **Wittig reagent** is a **phosphorus ylide**, in which a carbon atom acts as the nucleophile



- Ylide neutral compound that contains a negatively charged atom adjacent to a positively charged heteroatom
- The mechanism is likely a 2+2 cycloaddition between the Wittig reagent and the carbonyl group



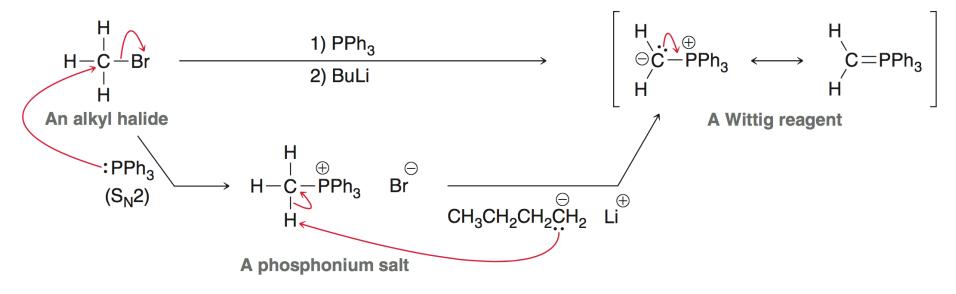
• Wittig reaction mechanism:



 The formation of the especially stable triphenylphoshine oxide byproduct drives the equilibrium to favor the formation of the desired alkene



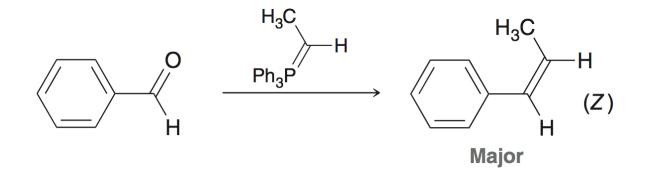
• A given Wittig reagent is synthesized in two steps from the corresponding alkyl halide:



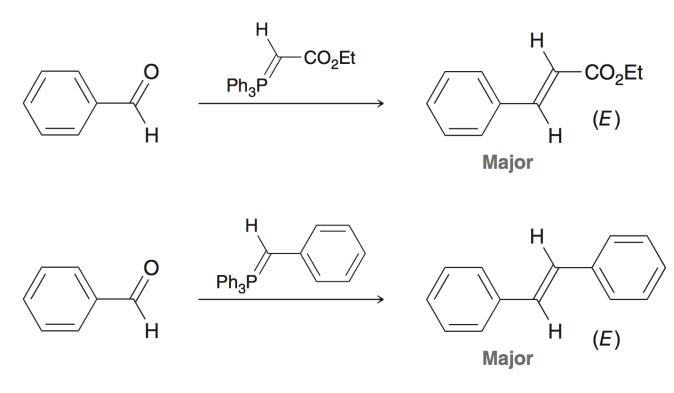
• The first step is SN2 substitution, so 1° halides are more easily made into Wittig reagents than 2° halides

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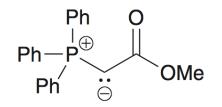
- Wittig reaction is particularly useful because it installs a C=C bond at a specific place (carbonyl carbon)
- AND, the **Wittig rxn is stereoselective**:
 - Using a Wittig derived from a simple alkyl halide, the (Z) alkene is favored



- AND, the Wittig rxn is stereoselective:
 - But if the Wittig rgt contains an electron-withdrawing group,
 the (E) alkene is the major product:



- But if the Wittig rgt contains an electron-withdrawing group, the
 (E) alkene is the major product:
- An electron withdrawing group, or a phenyl ring, delocalizes the anionic charge of the Wittig rgt, stabilizing it.
- Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons (HWE) reaction employs a reagent similar to a stabilized Wittig reagent, and also yields *E*-alkenes as the major product:



A stabilized Wittig reagent (resonance-stabilized by ester group)

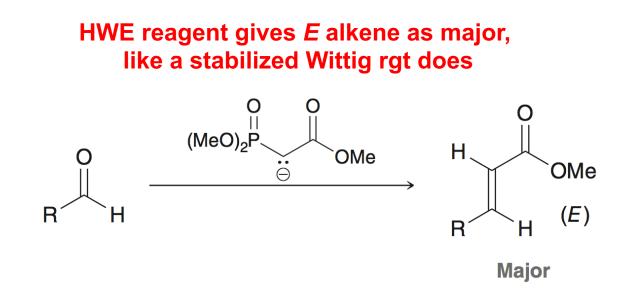
HWE reagent (a resonance-stabilized phosphonate ester carbanion)



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• Example of an HWE reaction:

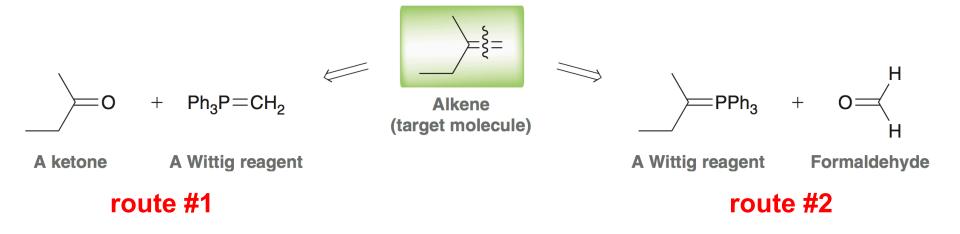


- Choice of solvent and use of Lewis acids can also effect stereoselectivity of Wittig and HWE reactions
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19.10 Wittig and HWE Reactions

• Retrosynthetic analysis reveals **two possible routes** to make a given alkene via a Wittig reaction:

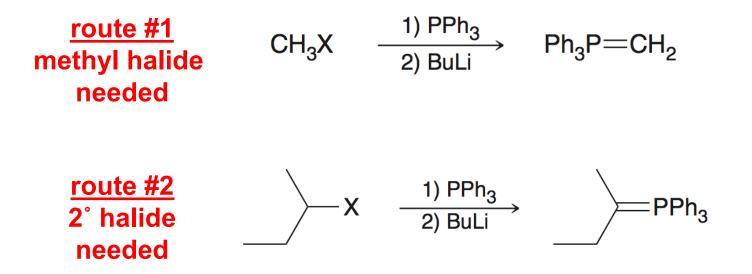


To determine which route is better, consider the alkyl halide needed to make either of these Wittig reagents

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19.10 Wittig and HWE Reactions

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Route #1 is better, since S_N2 reaction with a methyl halide is better than a 2° halide

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19.10 Wittig and HWE Reactions

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Overall synthesis of the alkene via Wittig reaction:

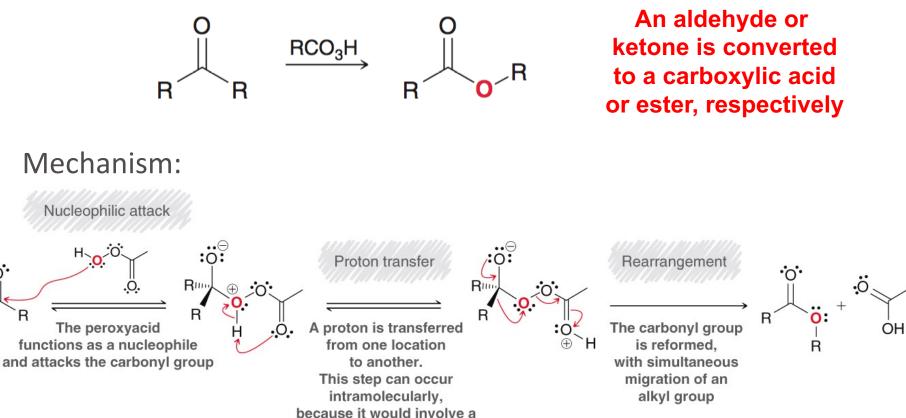
$$CH_{3}I \xrightarrow{1) PPh_{3}} Ph_{3}P = CH_{2} \xrightarrow{} O$$

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19.11 Baeyer-Villiger Oxidation

 Baeyer Villiger Oxidation - An oxygen is inserted into an aldehyde/ketone between a carbonyl carbon and neighboring alkyl group



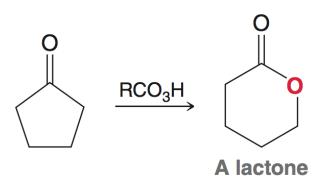
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five-membered transition state

19.11 Baeyer-Villiger Oxidation

• Cyclic ketone produces a lactone (i.e. cyclic ester)



• For an aldehyde or unsymmetrical ketone, the rate of migration is as follows:

$$H > 3^{\circ} > 2^{\circ}$$
, $Ph > 1^{\circ} > methyl$

• Use this trend to determine regioselectivity



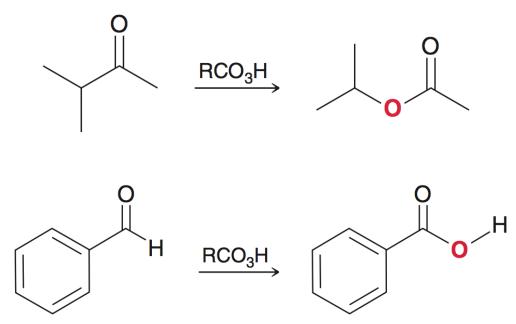
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19.11 Baeyer-Villiger Oxidation

 $H > 3^{\circ} > 2^{\circ}$, $Ph > 1^{\circ} > methyl$

• Use this trend to determine regioselectivity



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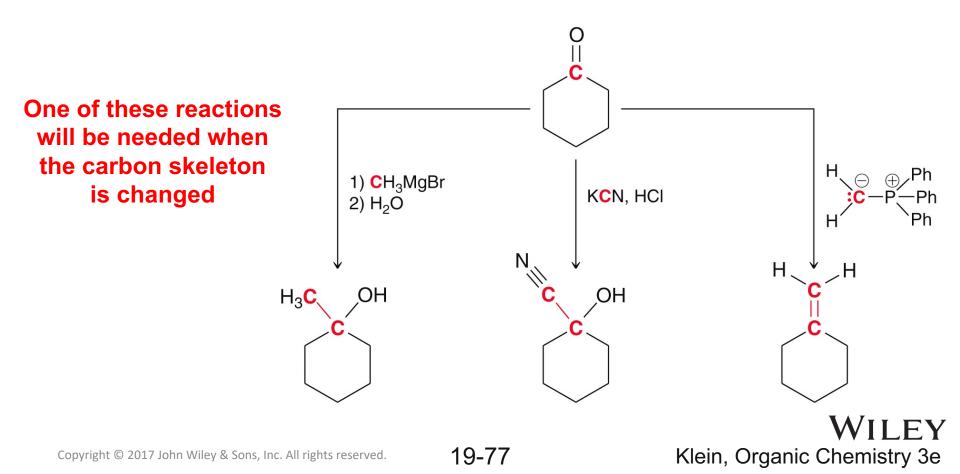


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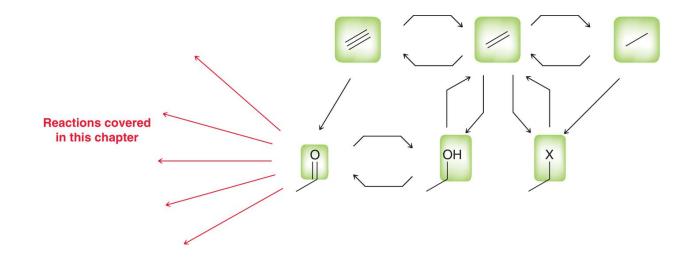
19.12 Synthesis Strategies

- Recall the questions we ask when designing a synthesis:
 - 1. Is there a change in the carbon skeleton?
 - 2. Is there a change in the functional group?



19.12 Synthesis Strategies

• Should be able to make a list of products that can be made from aldehydes/ketones, and identify the reagents needed:

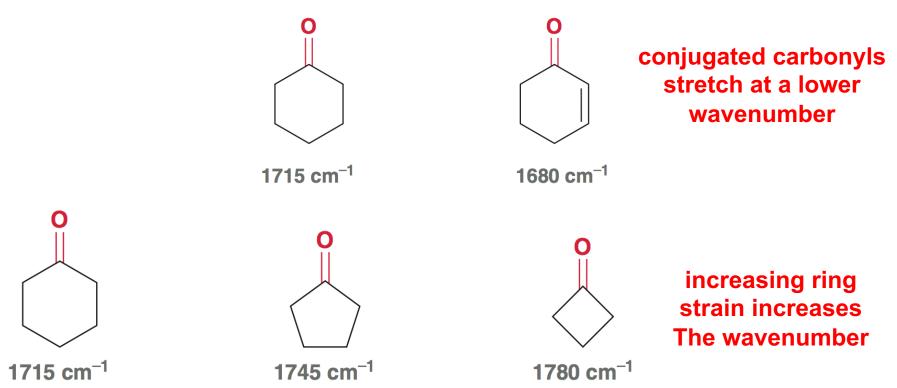


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19.13 Spectroscopic Analysis – IR Signals

• STRONG peak for the C=O stretch

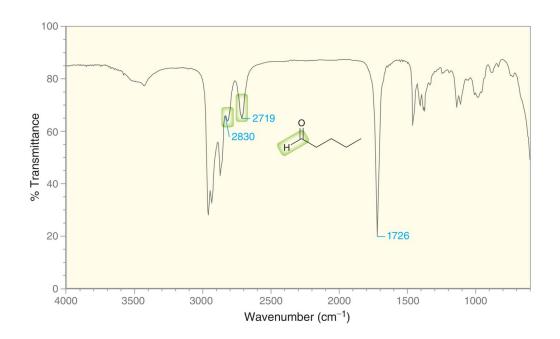


 Aldehydes also give WEAK peaks around 2700-2800 cm⁻¹ for the C-H stretch

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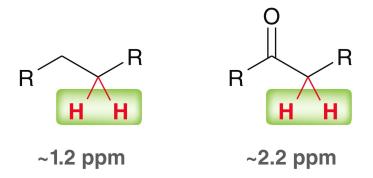
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 Aldehydes give a weak absorbance around 2700-2800 cm⁻¹ for the carbonyl C-H stretch

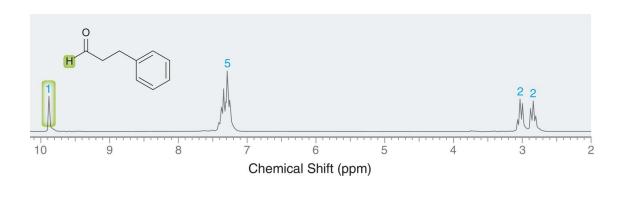


19.13 Spectroscopic Analysis – ¹H NMR

• Protons neighboring a carbonyl are weakly deshielded by the carbonyl group, and appear +1 ppm downfield (chapter 15.5)



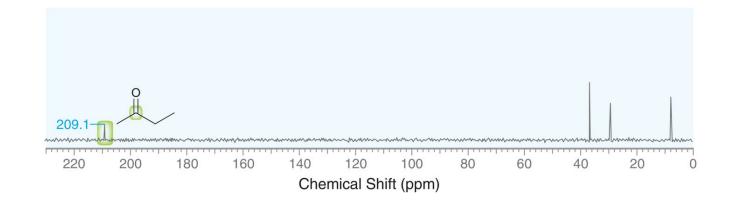
• Aldehyde protons are strongly deshielded around 9 or 10 ppm.



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19.13 Spectroscopic Analysis – ¹³C NMR

• Carbonyl carbon produces a weak signal near 200 ppm



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19.13 Review of Reactions

