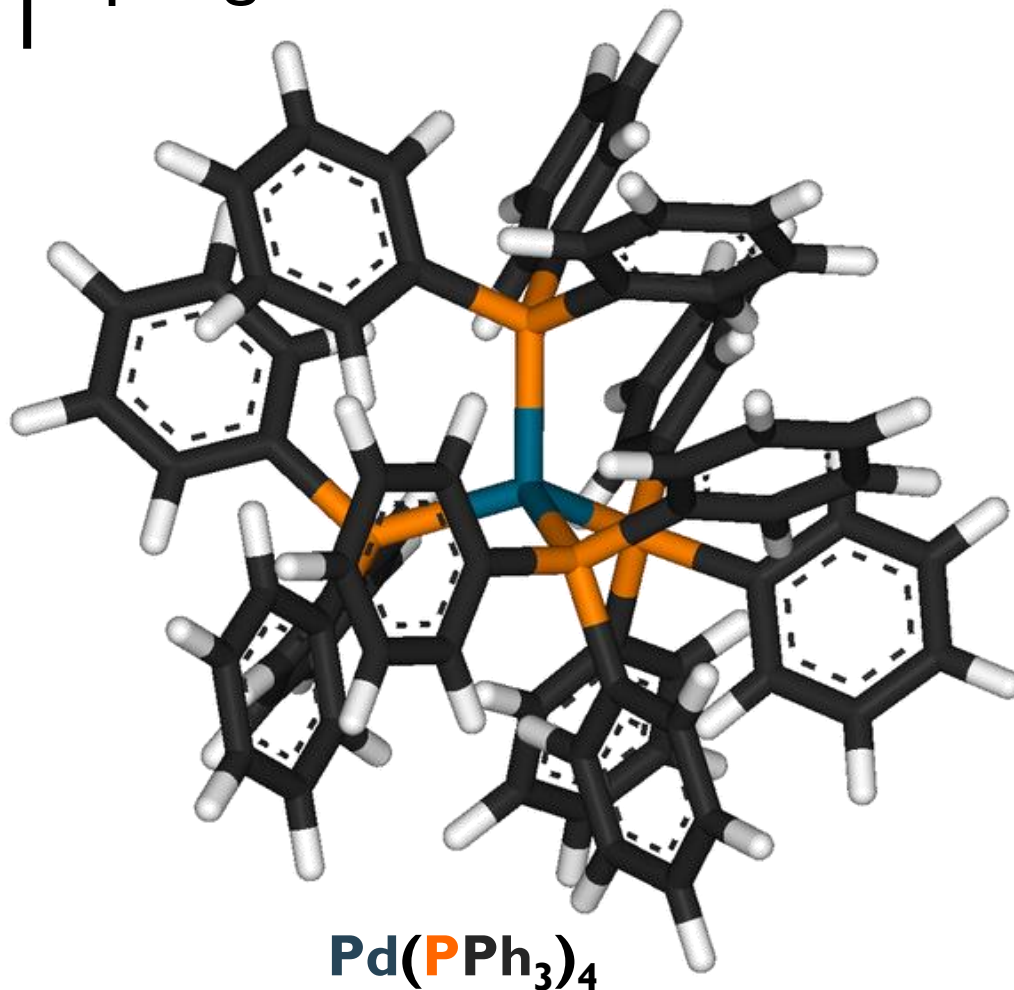


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Organometallic chemistry and catalysis

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# Summary of previous lecture

## Organometallic chemistry

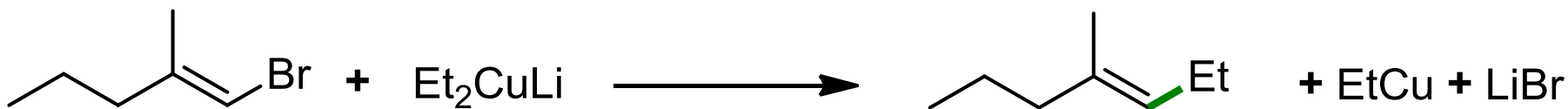
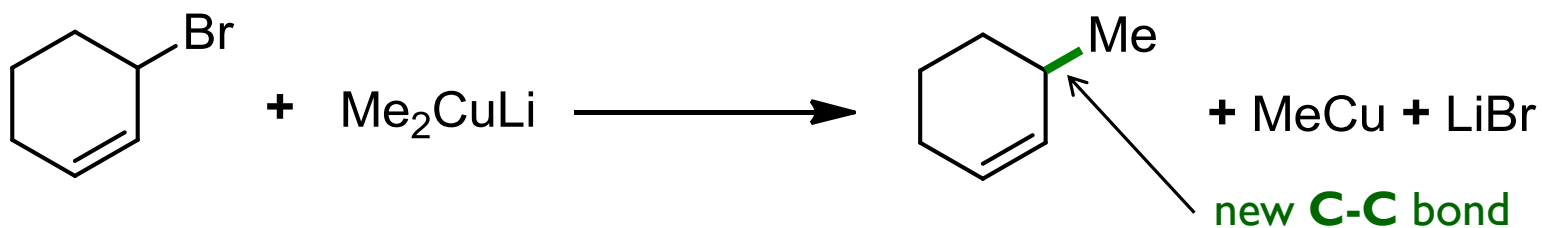
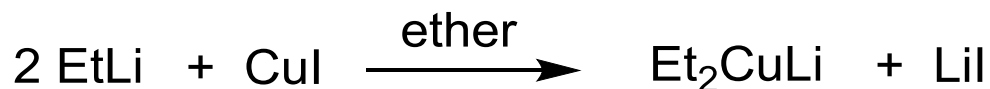
- the chemistry of compounds containing a C-M bond
- intersection of organic and inorganic chemistry
- allows “impossible” organic reactions to occur

## Organolithium and Grignard reagents

- Polar C-M bonds
- nucleophilic carbon atom, carbanion character
- strongly basic
- reactive toward water/oxygen/acidic protons
- reactivity toward carbonyl groups for C-C bond forming reactions
- used in **stoichiometric amounts** (i.e. 1:1 or greater)

# Gilman reagents: C-C bond formation

Lithium diorganocuprates are useful for C-C bond forming reactions

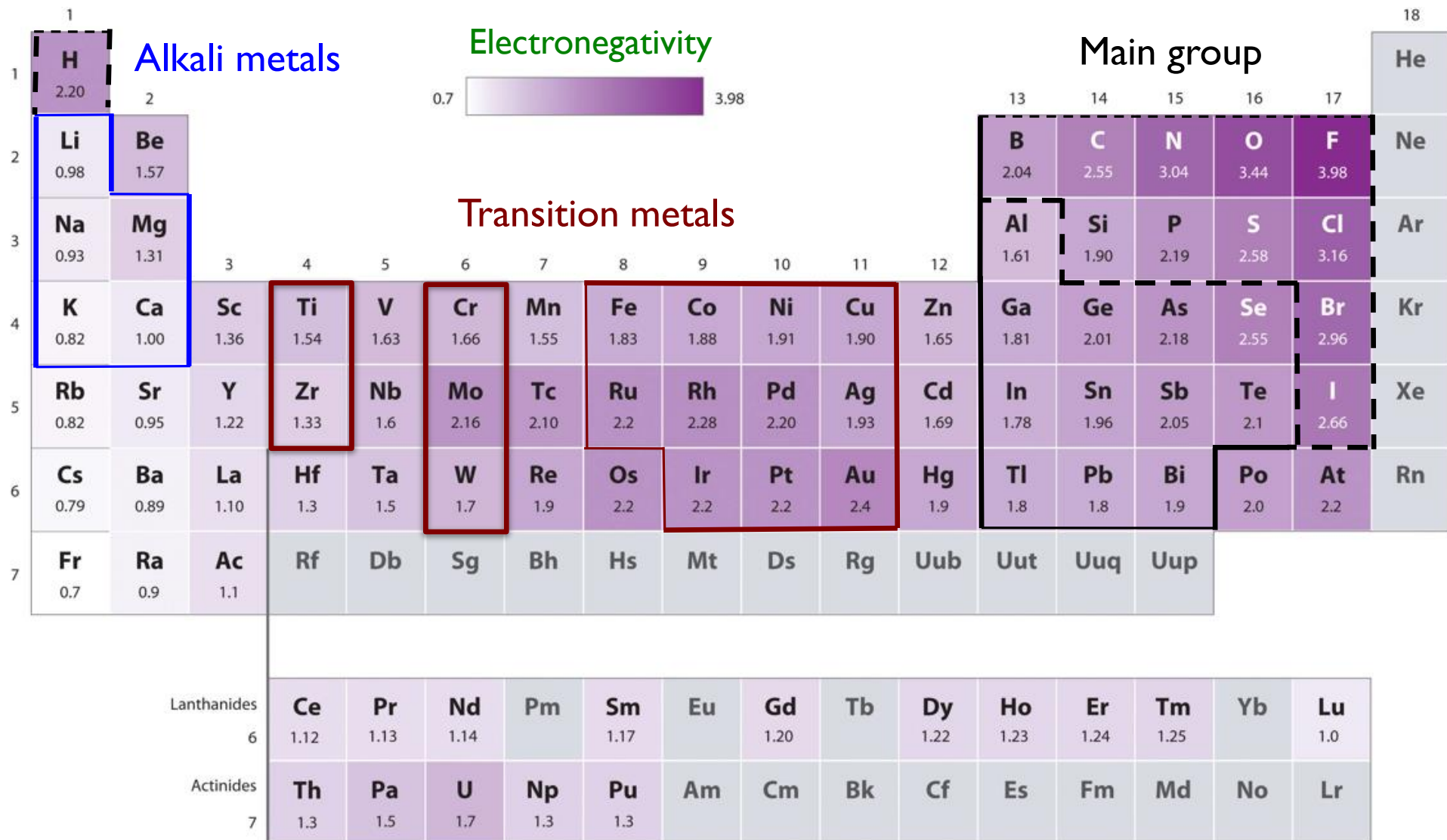


**Good:** joins (“couples”) 2 different R groups to form a new **C-C** bond

**Not so good:** requires a **stoichiometric** amount of organometallic reagent

Ideal: a **coupling reaction** using a sub-stoichiometric (“**catalytic**”) amount of reagent

# Periodic Table – common organometallics



# Carbon-Metal bond polarity

	C-M bond	$\Delta$ Electronegativity <sup>#</sup>	% ionic character*
	C-K	$2.55 - 0.82 = 1.73$	68
	C-Na	$2.55 - 0.93 = 1.62$	63
	C-Li	$2.55 - 0.98 = 1.57$	61
Grignard	C-Mg	$2.55 - 1.31 = 1.24$	48
Ziegler-Natta	C-Ti	$2.55 - 1.54 = 1.01$	40
Gilman	C-Cu	$2.55 - 1.90 = 0.65$	25
Schrock	C-Mo	$2.55 - 2.06 = 0.49$	19
Grubbs	C-Ru	$2.55 - 2.20 = 0.35$	14
	<b>C-H</b>	<b><math>2.55 - 2.20 = 0.35</math></b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Pd-coupling</b>	C-Pd	$2.55 - 2.20 = 0.35$	14
Wilkinson	C-Rh	$2.55 - 2.28 = 0.27$	11

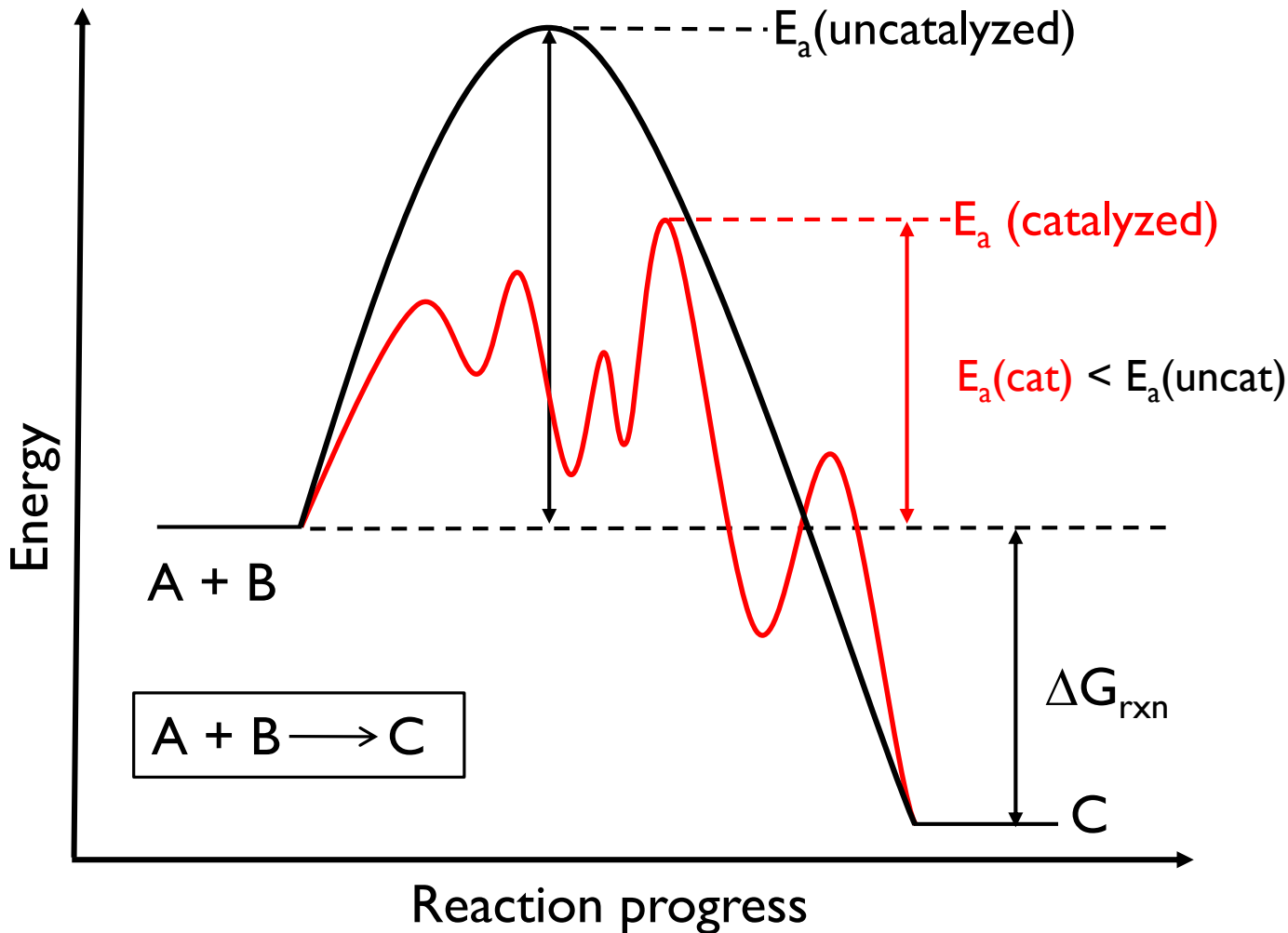
<sup>#</sup> Pauling electronegativity, X

\* % ionic character =  $[(X_C - X_M) \div X_C]$

# What is a catalyst?

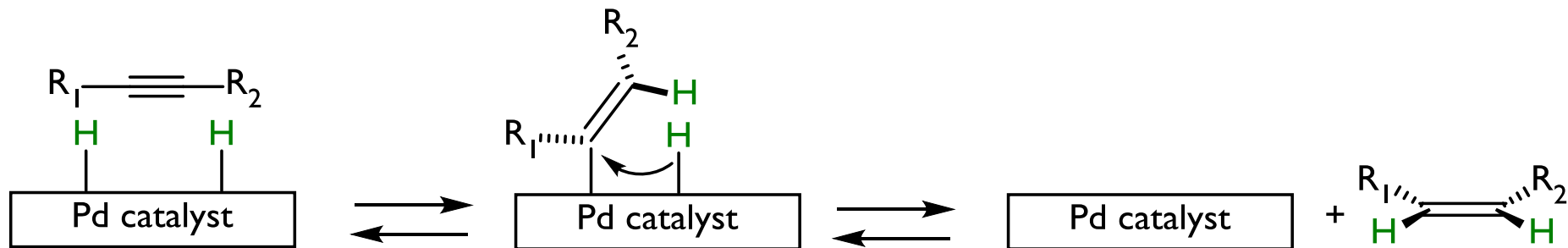
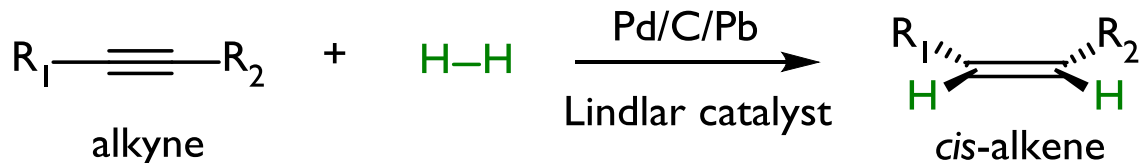
A catalyst **increases the rate of a reaction** by lowering the activation energy ( $E_a$ )

A catalyst does not change the energy of the starting materials or products



# Heterogeneous vs. Homogeneous catalysis

Catalytic hydrogenation of an alkyne



The catalyst (Pd metal) and reactants (alkyne and H<sub>2</sub> gas) are in different phases

THIS IS A **HETEROGENEOUS** CATALYST SYSTEM

A **HOMOGENEOUS** catalyst is in the same phase as the reactants (usually solution)

But metals are insoluble in organic solvents.....and chemistry happens in solution

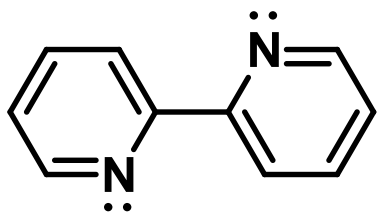
How can we make a homogeneous metal catalyst system?

Need **ligands**.....

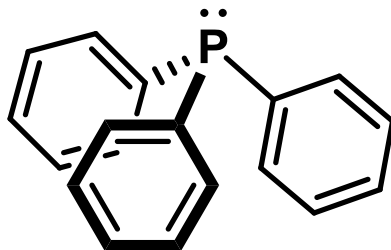
# Ligands

Ligands are molecules bonded to a transition metal via donor atoms such as P, N, C, O etc.

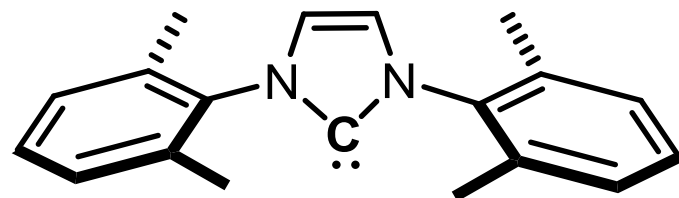
Ligands act as Lewis bases (i.e. sigma-electron donors) toward the transition metal



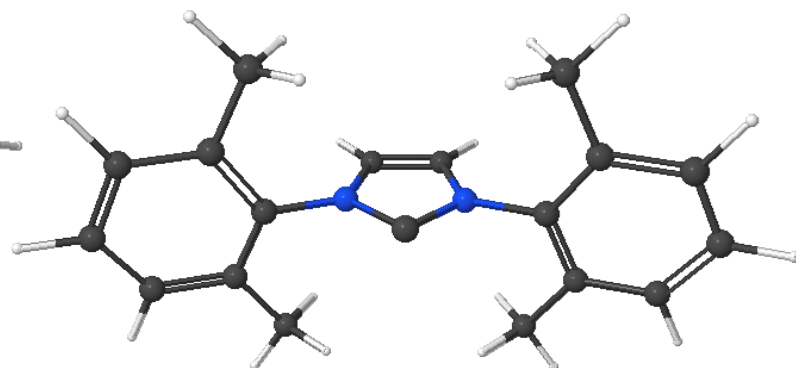
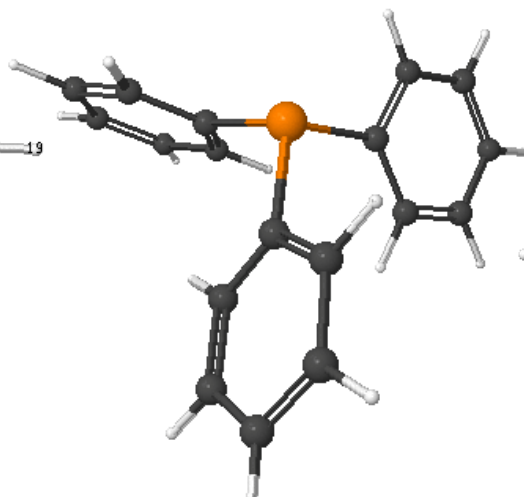
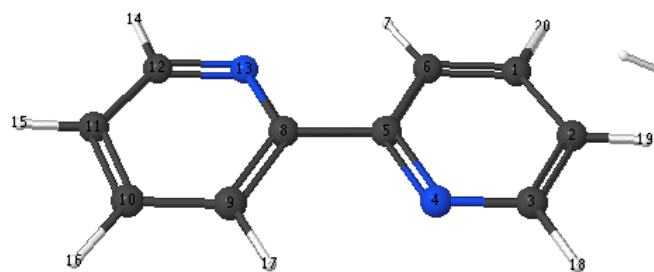
2,2'-Bipyridine (bpy)



Triphenyl phosphine (PPh<sub>3</sub>)



N-heterocyclic carbene



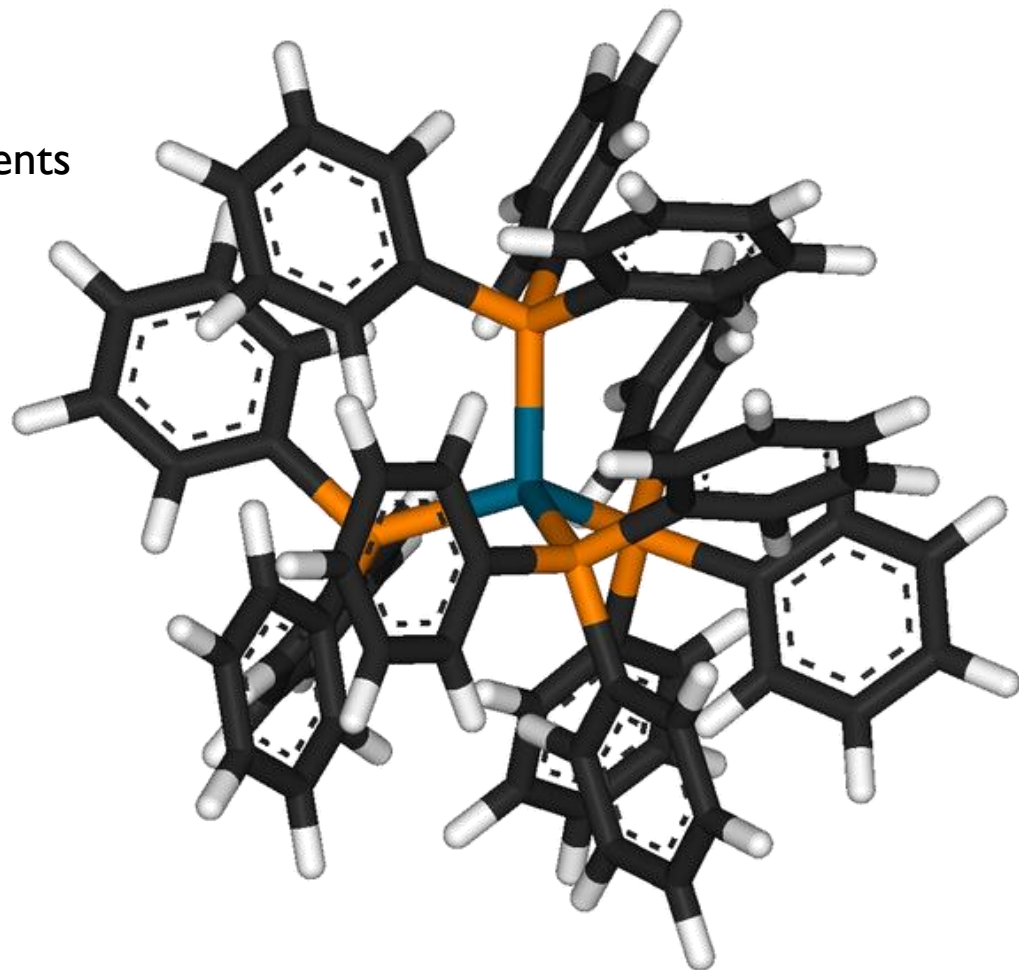
Metal-ligand compounds are called **coordination complexes**



# A coordination complex of palladium



Metal complexes are soluble in organic solvents



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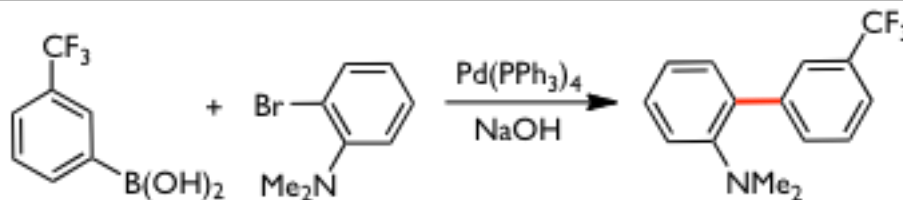
# Palladium: One metal, many reactions

Pd-catalyzed  
C-C bond  
formation

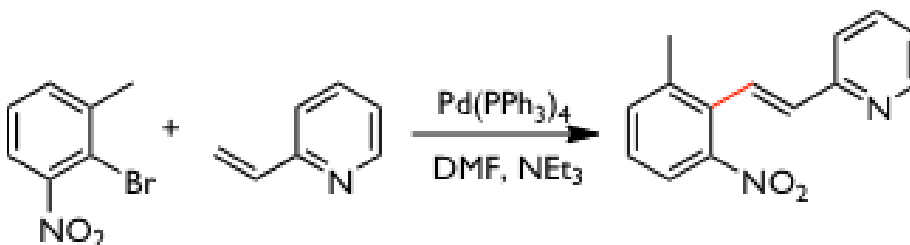


2010 Nobel Prize in Chemistry

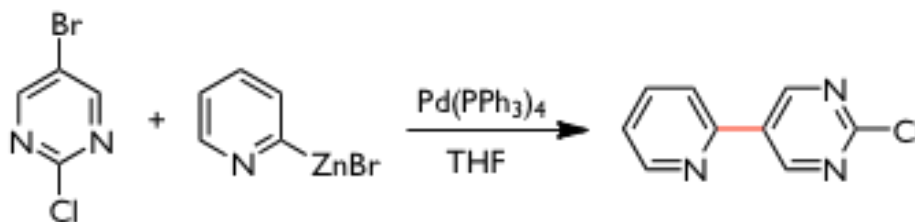
## Suzuki-Miyaura



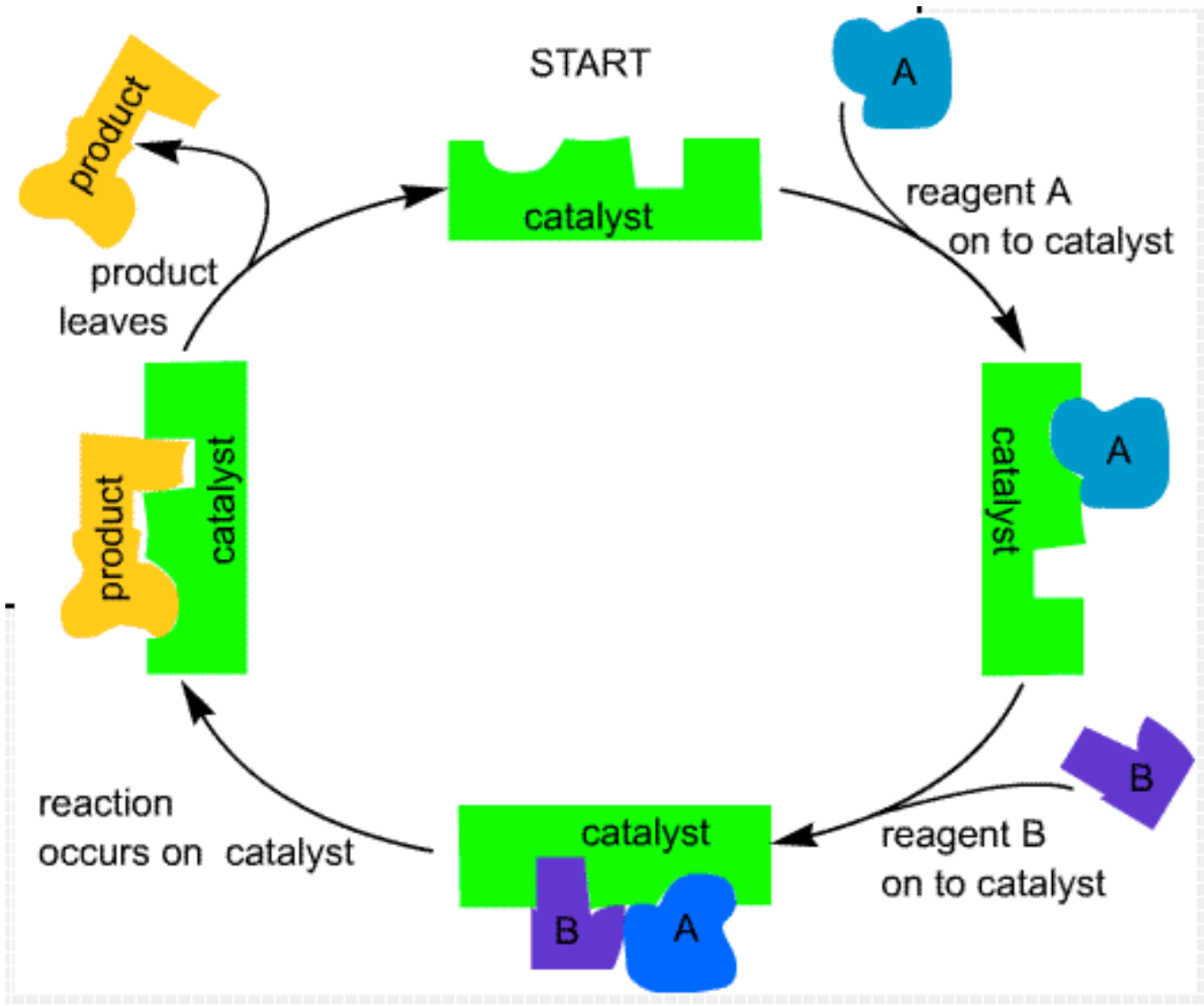
## Mizoroki-Heck



## Negishi

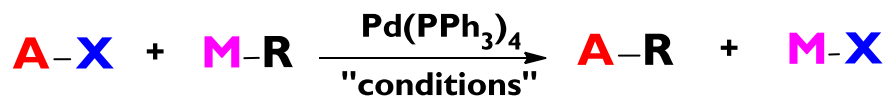


# Basics of catalytic cycle – generalized view



# Understanding the catalytic cycle

Most Pd-catalyzed coupling reactions proceed via a common catalytic cycle



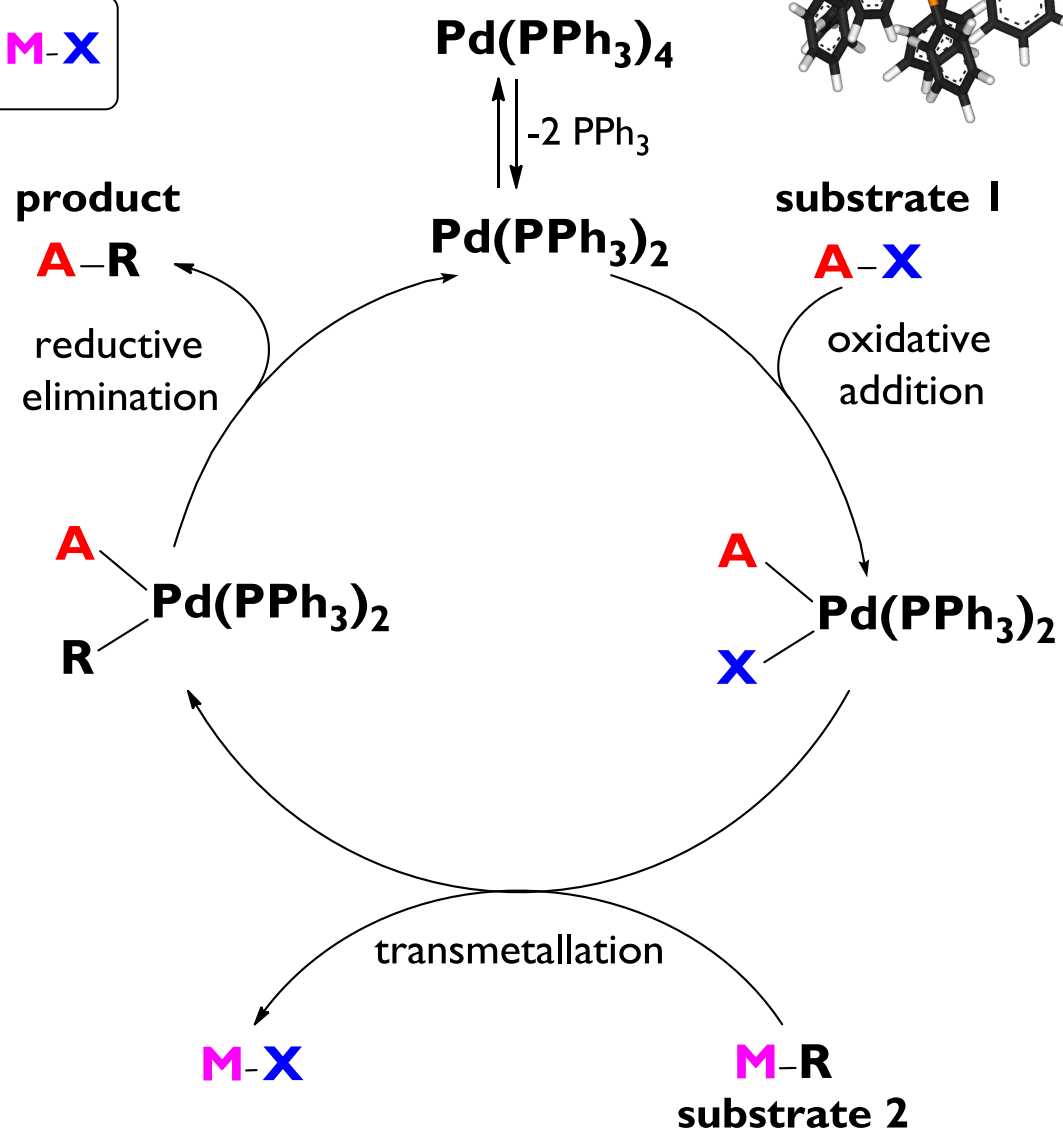
**A** = organic fragment 1

**R** = organic fragment 2

**X** = halide or other counter ion

**M** = metal atom

3 key steps

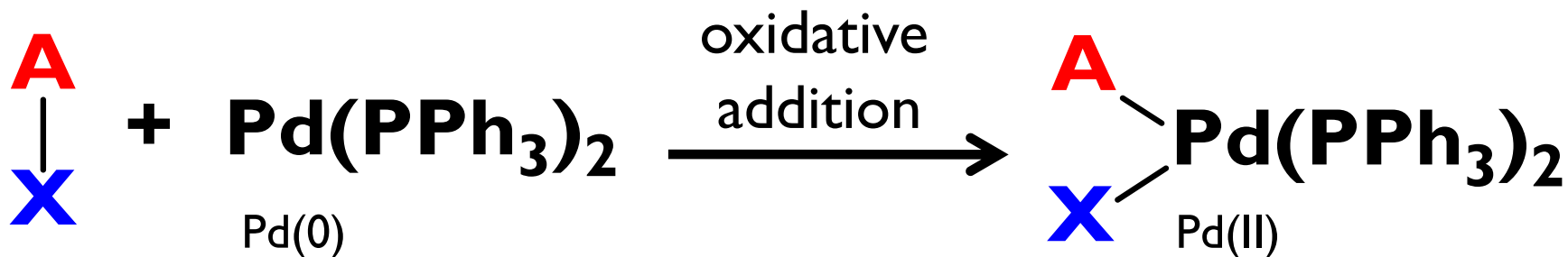
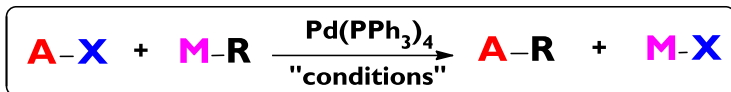


# Key steps of the cycle – oxidative addition

First step of typical C-C coupling catalytic cycle

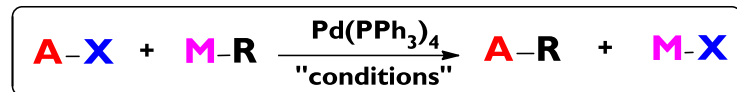
Addition of a reagent (**A-X**) to Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> species

**A-X** is typically an **aryl**, **alkenyl**, or **alkynyl halide**



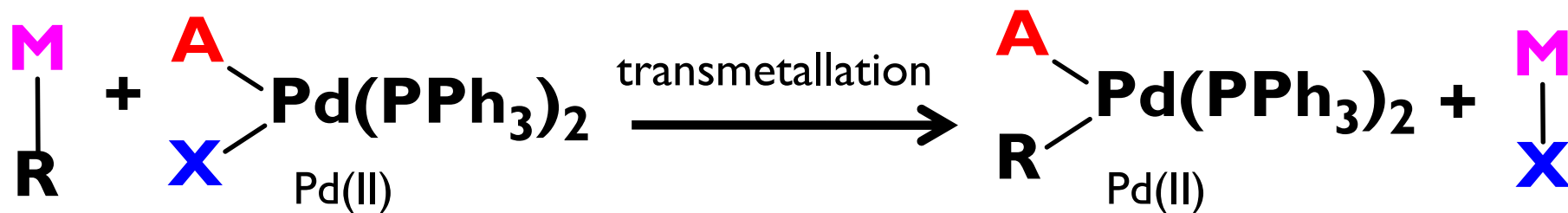
# Key steps of the cycle – transmetallation

Middle step of typical C-C coupling catalytic cycle



Exchange reaction between **M**R and Pd(II) species

R = aryl, alkenyl, alkynyl group    **M** = B (Suzuki), Sn (Stille), Mg (Kumada), Zn (Negishi)

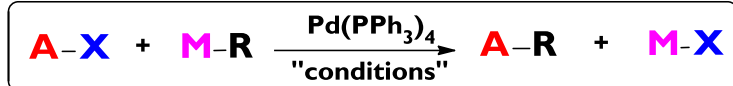


Organic group (**R**) replaces **X** on Pd

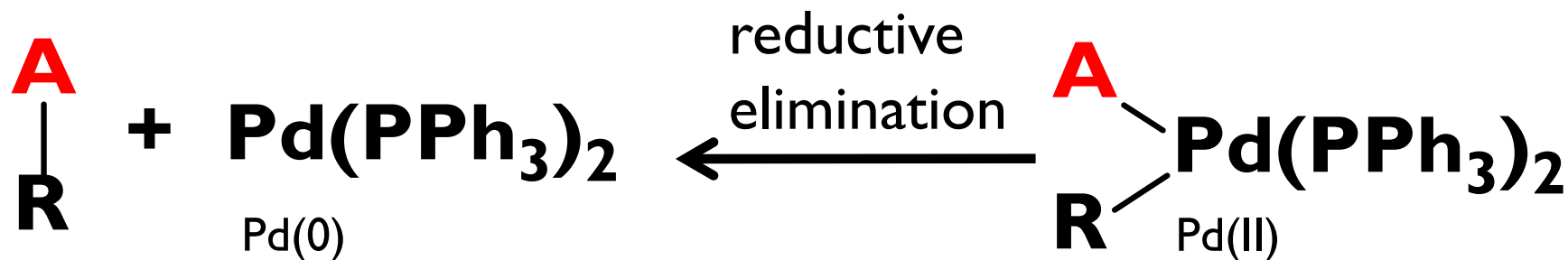
**Drive toward less polar C-M bond in transmetallation product**

# Key steps of the cycle – reductive elimination

Final step of typical C-C coupling catalytic cycle

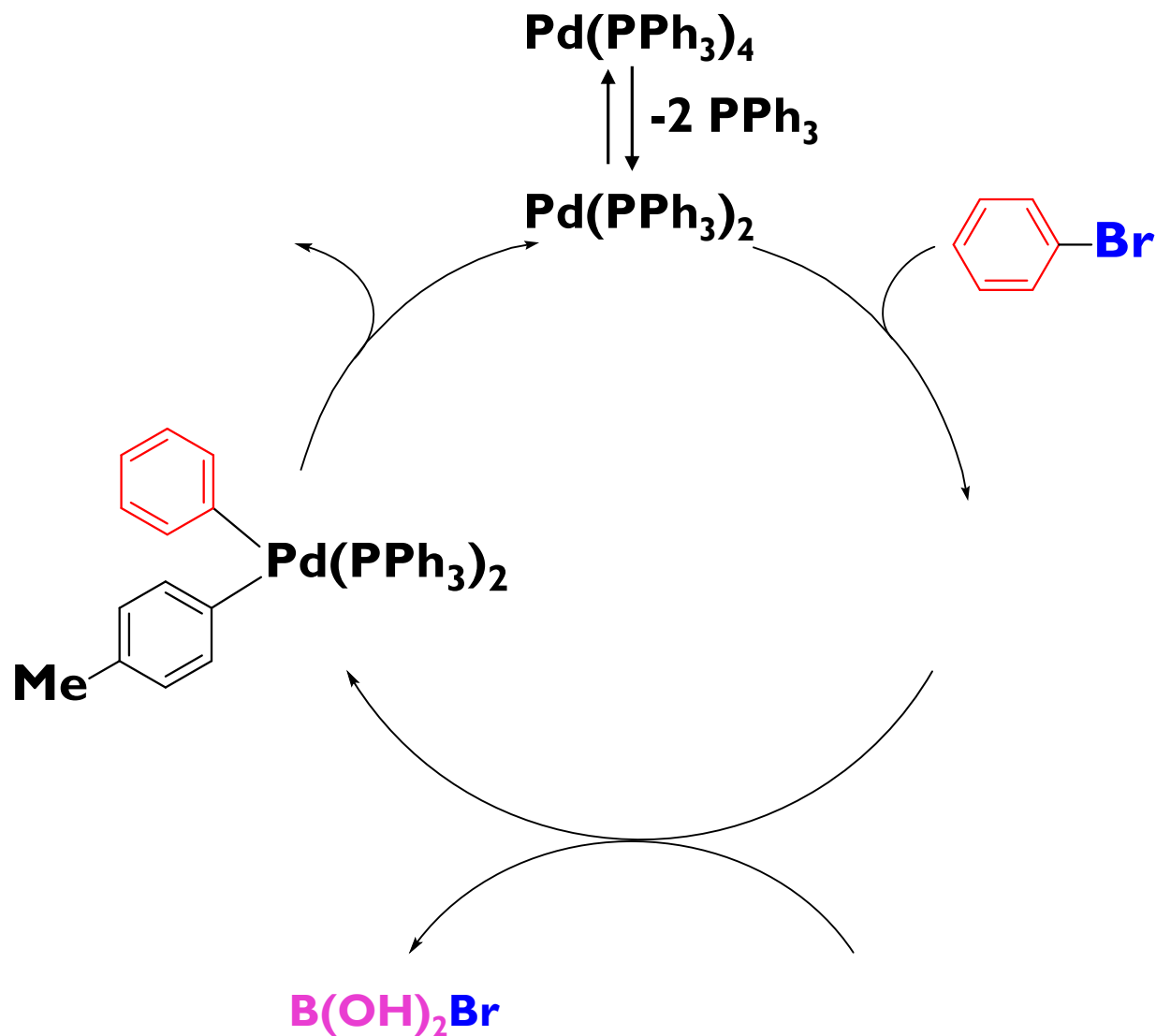
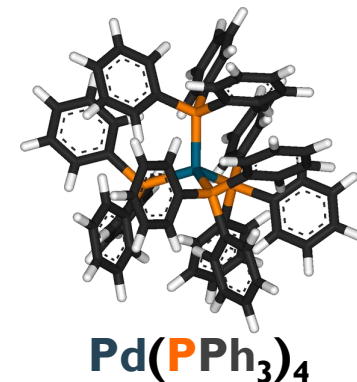
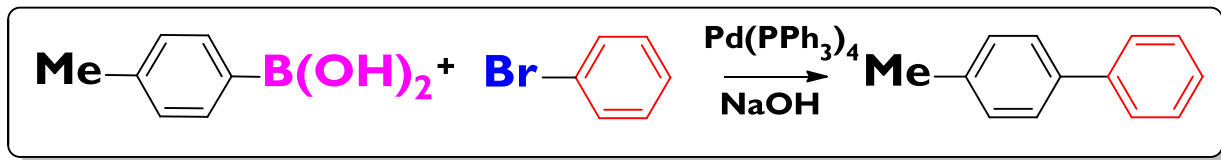


Elimination of product (**A-R**) from Pd atom



Coupling product **A-R** released, active catalyst Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> reformed

# Suzuki coupling – the catalytic cycle





# Summary

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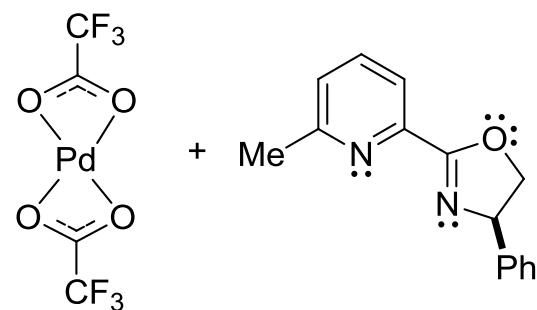
## Transition metal-ligand complexes

- ligands coordinate to transition metal to form complex, soluble in organic solvents
- complexes serve as catalysts for organic reactions
- a catalyst lowers  $E_a$  of a reaction, is not consumed (turnover), sub-stoichiometric amount
- chemistry takes place on metal atom (“bind/react/release”)
- catalytic coupling cycle: oxidative addition, transmetallation, reductive elimination
- Pd-catalyzed C-C bond forming reactions are hugely important in pharma and industry
- **Practice problem set!**

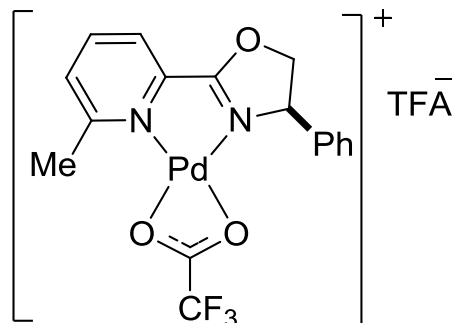


# An example from current research

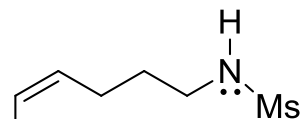
## Pd-catalyzed amidation of alkenes



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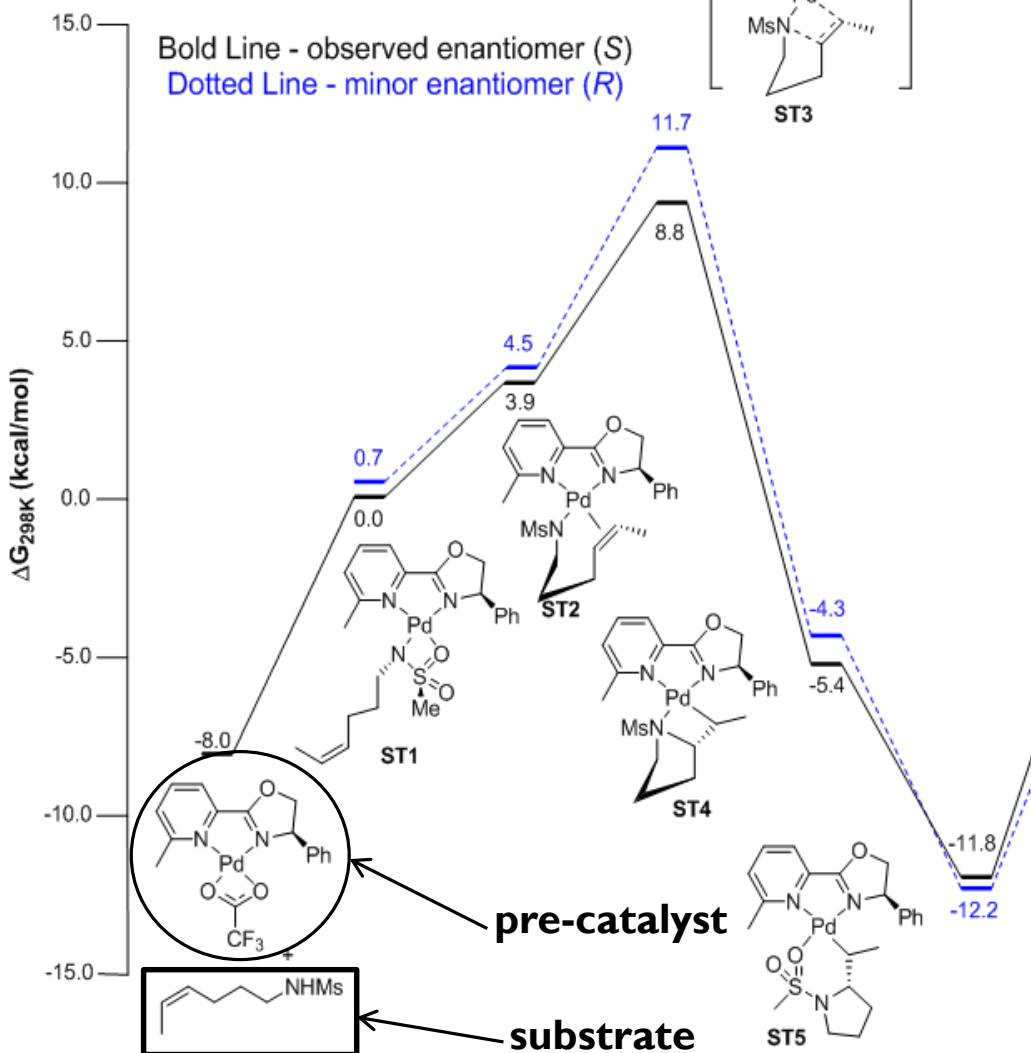


pre-catalyst



achiral substrate  
Ms =  $-\text{SO}_2\text{Me}$

Stahl, S. S. *Org. Lett.* **2011**, 13, 2830-2833.



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