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Office hours this week:

After class today and Friday

5-6pm Today

Review: 5:30-6:30

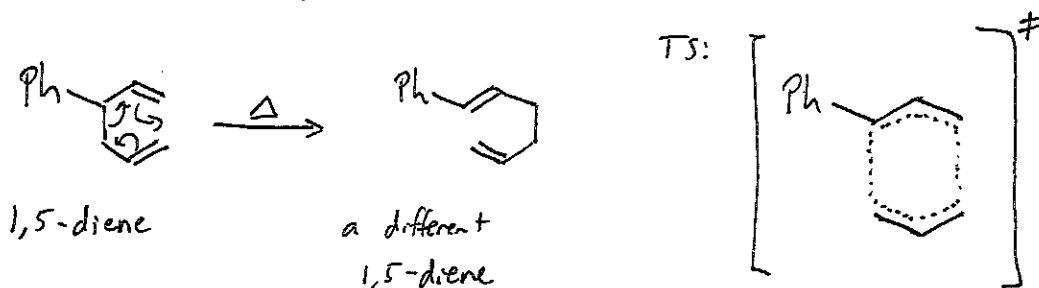
Friday (B371)

Recall: Pericyclic Rxns...

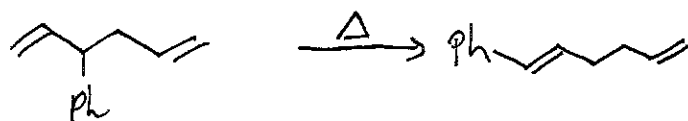
- 1) Electrocyclic reactions
- 2) Cycloaddition reactions
- 3) Today: Sigmatropic rearrangements

→  $\sigma$  and  $\pi$  bonds exchange places. Unimolecular processes (one molecule).

Ex: Cope Rearrangement



Perception can be challenging!

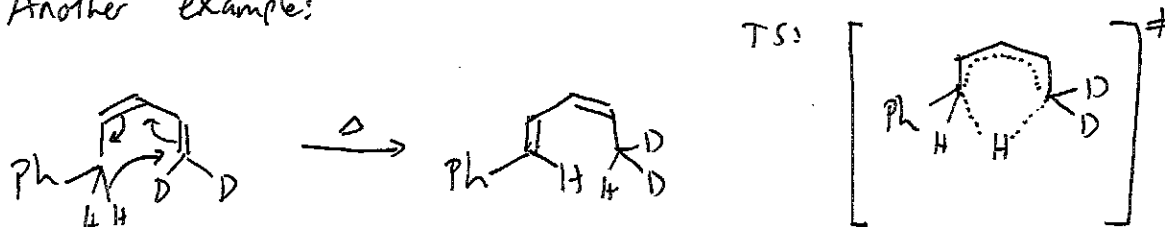


Literally same reaction, just drawn in a different orientation.

Look for 1,5-dienes

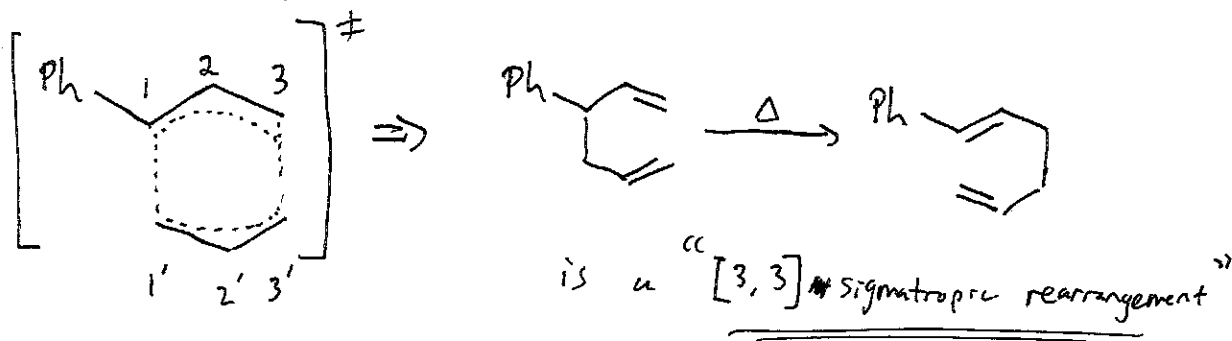
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Another example:

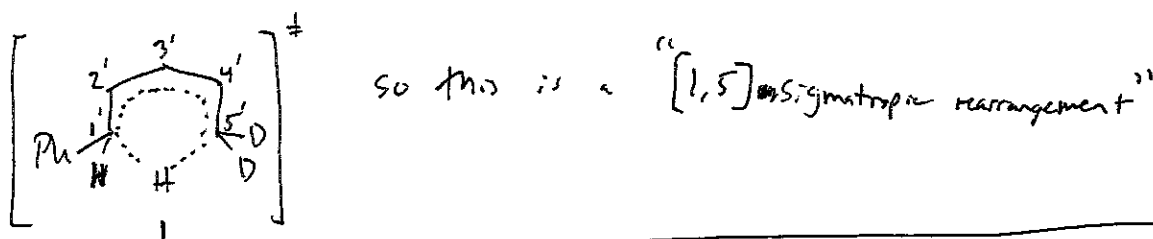


Systematic classification: based on fragments over which  $\sigma$  bonding is maintained at the transition state

e.g. for the Cope Rearrangement



Other examples:



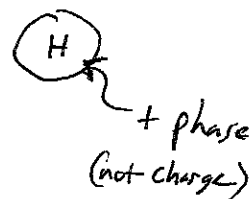
MO Analysis of  $[1,5]$  sigmatropic rearrangement.

Envision the "fragments" as radicals. The text uses a different system, but both will arrive at the same conclusion.

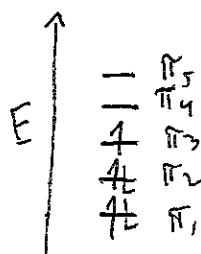
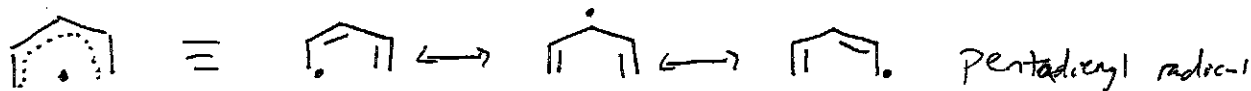
→ Focus on singly-occupied MOs (~~MOs~~ SOMOs)

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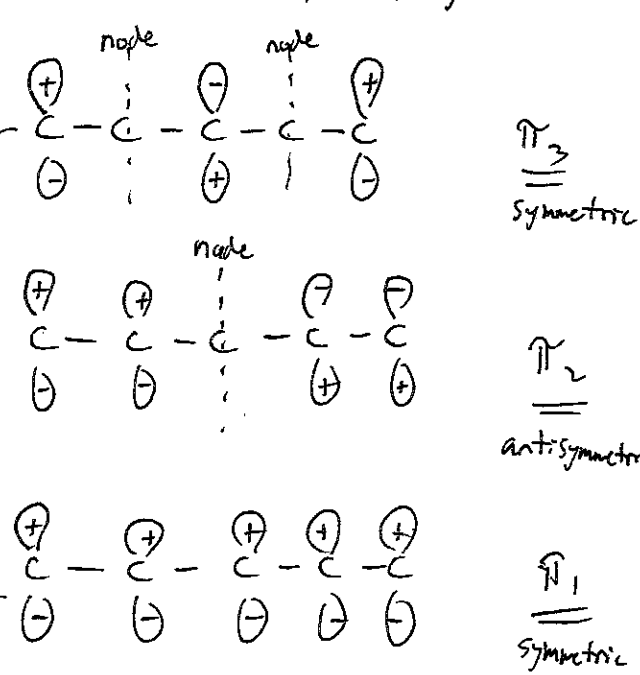
$H^0 \leftarrow e^-$  in 1s orbital  $\rightarrow$  spherically symmetric  
 $\rightarrow$  same sign (phase) everywhere



For the 5-C "fragment" (5 electrons)



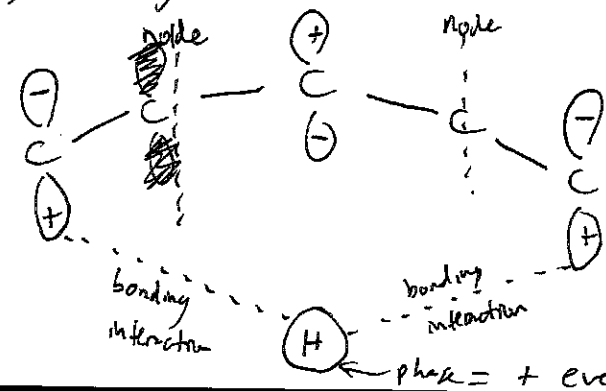
SOMO (singly-occupied mo)



For odd atom systems, there will be nodes on a carbon atom.

[You fill in  $\pi_4$  and  $\pi_5$ ]

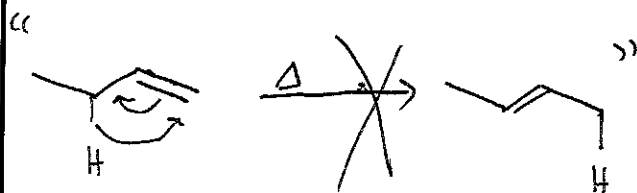
$\pi_3$  (SOMO) is symmetric. At transition state:



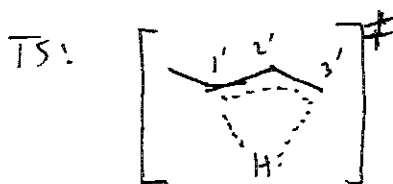
$\therefore$  Thermal [1,5] rearrangement is allowed

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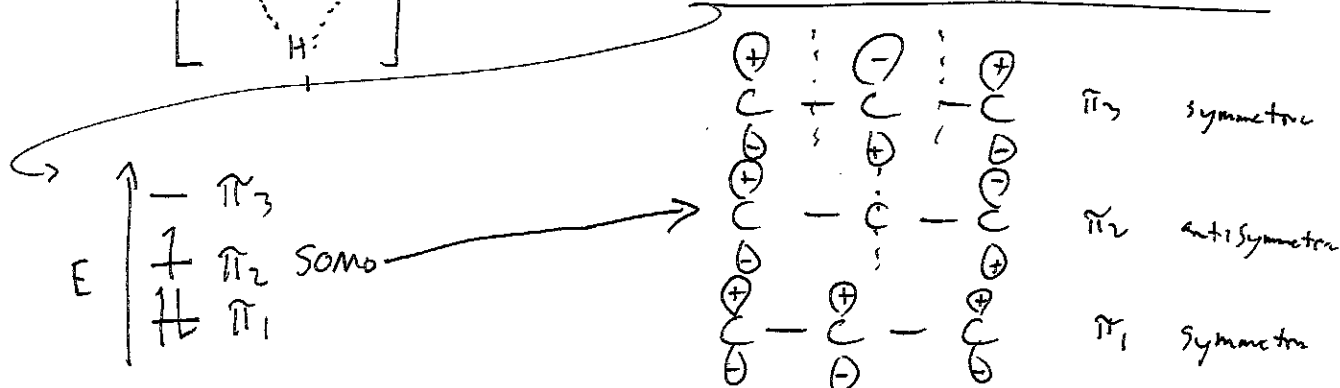
Consider Thermal [1,3] Sigmatropic rearrangement (not observed)



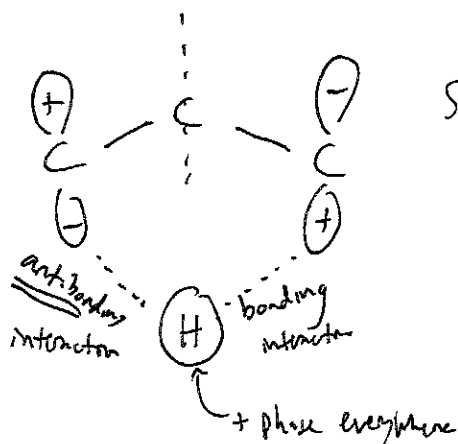
Arrow pushing looks fine, but can our MO analysis explain why this does not occur?



Must consider allyl radical or MO



Thus:



Signs don't align on one interaction, antibonding.

So this is thermally forbidden

In theory, could undergo the rearrangement in an antarafacial manner, but this is not physically possible for such a small, 3-carbon fragment.

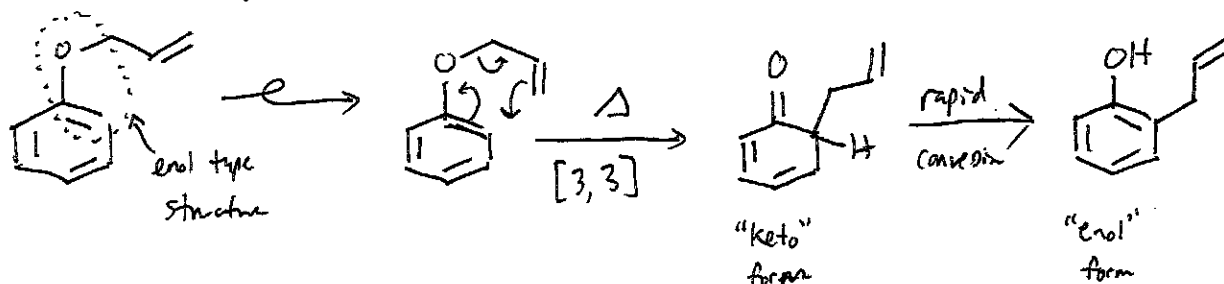
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Variant on [3,3]- "Claisen Rearrangement"



Aromatic version:

Allyl ethers of phenols:



End of ch. 27

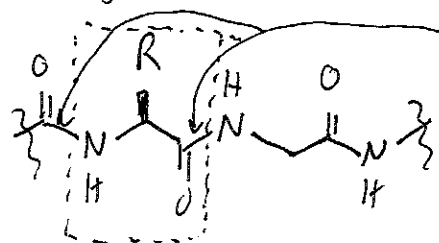
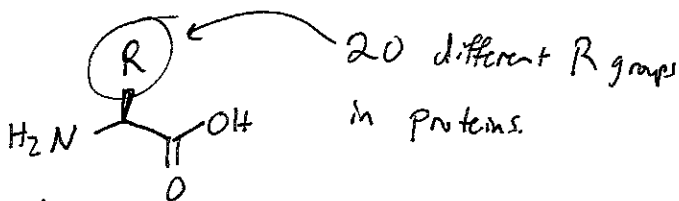
Proteins & Peptides

⇒ Amides

(Ch. 26, no assigned problems)

Peptide Synthesis (chemical)

Building blocks =  $\alpha$ -amino acids



amide bonds (peptide bonds)

" $\alpha$ -AA residue"