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Transition metals are tuned by their ligands

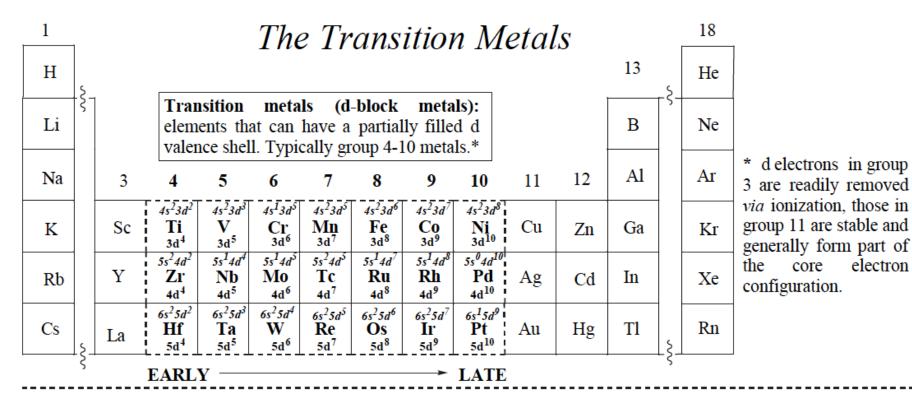
Classification of Ligands

Metal Oxidation States

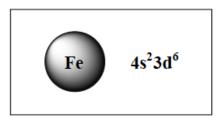
Electron Counting

Primary Classes of Ligands for Organometallic Chemistry:

- Carbon Monoxide (Carbonyls)
- Phosphines
- Cyclopentadienide
- Halides and Hydrides and Carbanions



valence (d) electron count:



for free (gas phase) transition metals: (n+1)s is below (n)d in energy (recall: n = principal quantum #).

for complexed transition metals: the (n)d levels are below the (n+1)s and thus get filled first. note that group # = d electron count

for oxidized metals, subtract the oxidation state from the group #.

Ref.: Christina White UCIU

	d^1	d^2	d^3	d^5	d^5	d^6	d^7	d^8	d^9	d^{10}
4s ²	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 C o	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn
	44.9559 Scandium	47.867 Titanium	50.9415 Vanadium	51.9961 Chromium	54.938 Manganese	55.845 Iron	58.9332 Cobalt	58.6934 Nickel	63.546 Copper	65.4089 Zinc
_	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
$5s^2$	Υ	Zr	Nb	Мо	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd
	88.9058	91.224	92.9064	85.94	98	101.07	102.9055	106.42	107.8682	112.411
	Yitrium	Zirconium	Niobium	Molybdenum	Technetium	Ruthenium	Rbodium	Palladium	Silver	Cadmium
	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
$6s^2$	Lu	Hf	Та	W	Re	Os	lr	Pt	Au	Hg
	174.967	178.49	180.9497	183.84	186.207	190.23	192.217	195.084	196.9666	200.59
	Lutetium	Hafnium	Tantalum	Tungsten	Rhenium	Osmium	Iridium	Platinum	Gold	Mercury

Early Transition Metals

low electronegativities

higher oxidation states

"harder" metal centers

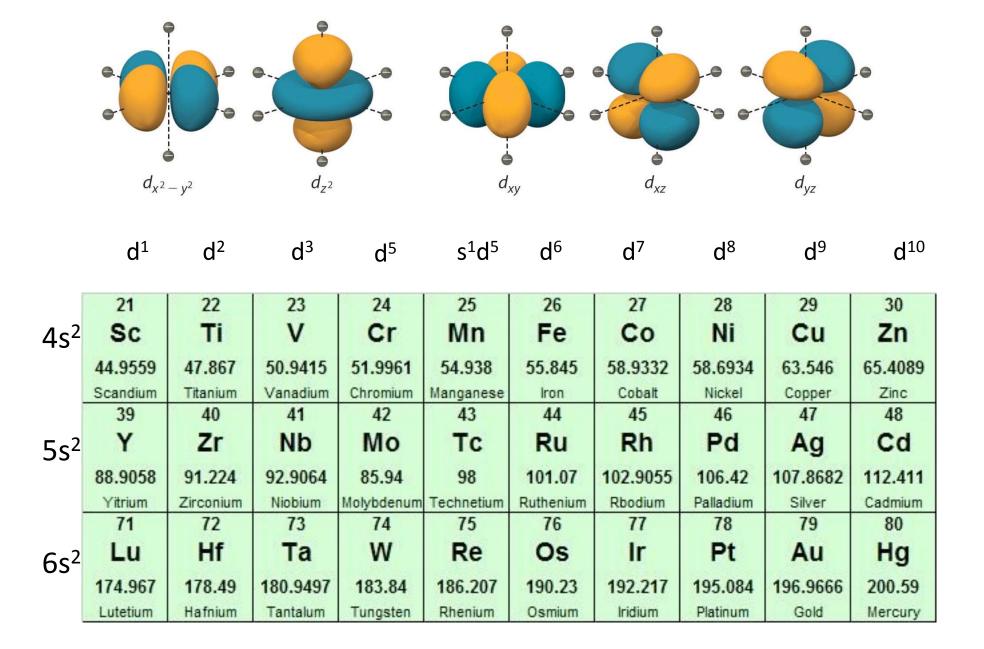
OXOPHILLIC!!

Late Transition Metals

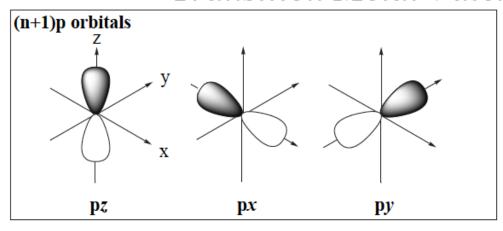
higher electronegativities

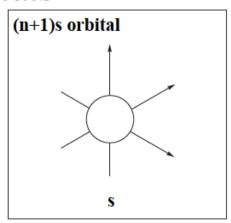
lower oxidation states

"softer" metal centers

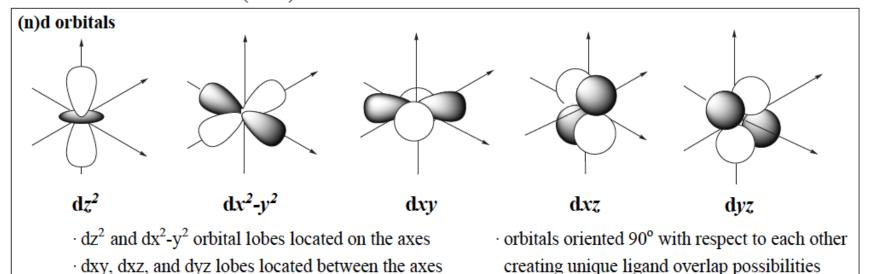


Transition Metal Valence Orbitals





- 9 Valence Orbitals: upper limit of 9 bonds may be formed. In most cases a maximum of 6 σ bonds are formed and the remaining d orbitals are non-bonding. It's these non-bonding d orbitals that give TM complexes many of their unique properties.
- · 18 electron rule: upper limit of 18 e- can be accommodated w/out using antibonding molecular orbitals (MO's).



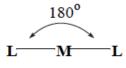
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Common Geometries for TM Complexes

Coordination number (CN): The number of ligands (L) bonded to the same metal (M).

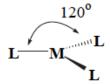
Sterics. to a 1st approximation, geometry of TM complexes determined by steric factors (VSEPR -valence shell electron pair repulsion). The M-L bonds are arranged to have the maximum possible seperation around the M.

$$CN = 2$$
, ML_2 :

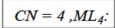


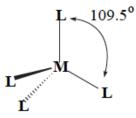
linear

$$CN = 3$$
, ML_3



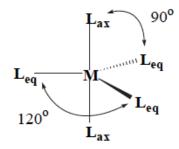
trigonal planar





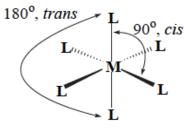
tetrahedral

$$CN = 5$$
, ML_5 :



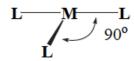
trigonal bipyramidal

$$CN = 6$$
, ML_6 :

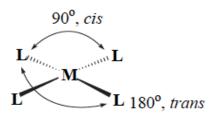


octahedral

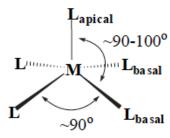
Electronics: d electron count combined with the complex electron count must be considered when predicting geometries for TM complexes with non-bonding d electrons. Often this leads to sterically less favorable geometries for electronic reasons (e.g. CN = 4, d⁸, 16 e- strongly prefers square planar geometry).



T-shaped



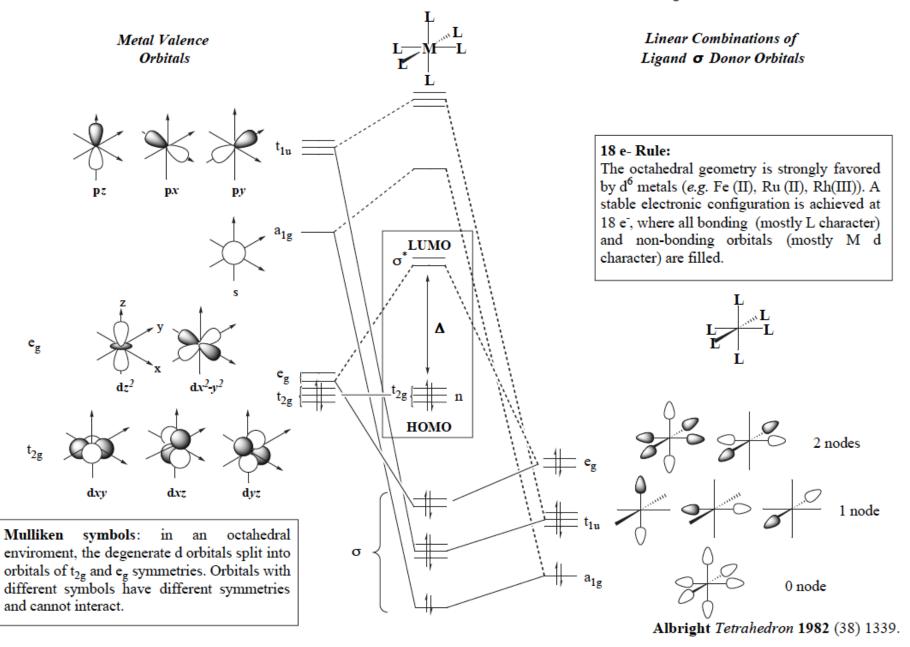
square planar



square pyramidal

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MO Description of σ bonding in ML_6



Overview of Transition Metal Complexes

- 1.The coordinate covalent or dative bond applies in L:→M
- 2.Lewis bases are called LIGANDS—all serve as σ -donors some are π -donors as well, and some are π -acceptors
- 3. Specific coordination number and geometries depend on metal and number of d-electrons
- 4. HSAB theory useful



- a) Hard bases stabilize high oxidation states
- b) Soft bases stabilize low oxidation states

<u>Classification of Ligands:</u> The L, X, Z Approach

Malcolm Green: The CBC Method (or Covalent Bond Classification) used extensively in organometallic chemistry.

- L ligands are derived from charge-neutral precursors: NH₃, amines, N-heterocycles such as pyridine, PR₃, CO, alkenes etc.
- X ligands are derived from anionic precursors: halides, hydroxide, alkoxide alkyls—species that are one-electron neutral ligands, but two electron donors as anionic ligands. EDTA4 is classified as an L₂X₄ ligand, features four anions and two neutral donor sites. C₅H₅ is classified an L₂X ligand.
- Z ligands are RARE. They accept two electrons from the metal center.
 They donate none. The "ligand" is a Lewis Acid that accepts electrons rather than the Lewis Bases of the X and L ligands that donate electrons.

5. Oxidation State

Here, z = charge on the complex unit.

ox. state =
$$z - \sum_{N} L$$
 charge

$$[ML_nX_m]^z$$

ligand removed from complex with closed shell configuration

examples:

octahedral

$$[Co(CN)_6]^{3-} \rightarrow Co^{III} + 6CN^{-}$$
 positive oxidation states usually

written as Roman numerals

Square pyramidal

$$[MoOCl_4]^{1-} \rightarrow Mo^V + O^{2-} + 4Cl^{-}$$

$$[Rh(en)_2(NO_2)CI]^{1+} \rightarrow Rh^{III} + 2en + NO_2^{-} + CI^{-}$$

Trigonal bipyramidal

$$Fe(PF_3)_5 \rightarrow Fe^0 + 5PF_3$$

$$[V(CO)_6]^{1-} \rightarrow V^{-1} + 6CO$$

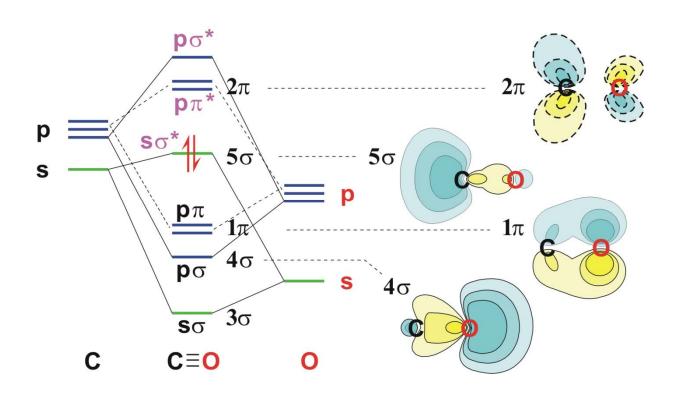
Tetrahedral

$$[Fe_2S_2(SR)_4]^{3-} \rightarrow Fe^{II} + Fe^{III} + 2S^{2-} + 4RS^{-}$$

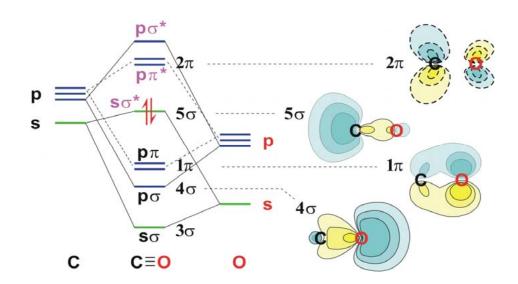
$$W(CH_3)_6 \rightarrow W^{VI} + 6CH_3^-$$

An oxidation state is a formalism which affords that dⁿ configuration consistent with molecular properties.

Carbon Monoxide or Carbonyl: MO description



How do we know?



Experimental Data Supporting Nature of MO's in CO

Species	Config	C-O Å	ν _{CO} cm ⁻¹	Comment
СО	$(5\sigma)^2$	1.13	2143	
CO^+	$(5\sigma)^1$	1.11	2184	5σ MO is weakly antibonding
CO*	$(5\sigma)^1(2\pi)^1$	S 1.24	1489	2π MO is strongly antibonding
		T 1.21	1715	

The M-C bond in Metal Carbonyls



CO-M sigma bond

M-C bond: increases

C-O bond: increases

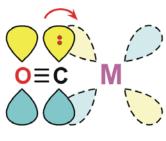
 v_{CO} freq: increases

M to CO pi backbonding

increases

decreases

decreases



CO to M pi bonding

(rare)

increases

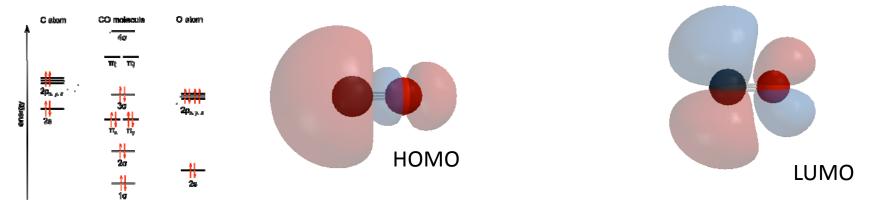
decreases

decreases

Carbonyl IR Stretching Frequencies

- The **position** of the carbonyl bands in the IR depends mainly on the bonding mode of the CO (terminal, bridging) and the amount of electron density on the metal being π -backbonded to the CO.
- The **number** (and intensity) of the carbonyl bands one observes depends on the **number of CO ligands present** and the **symmetry** of the metal complex. There are also secondary effects such as Fermi resonance and overtone interactions that can complicate carbonyl IR spectra.

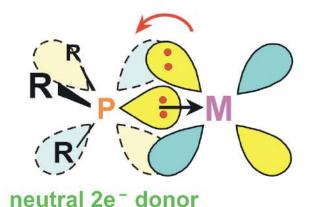
Ligands of Organometallic Chemistry. Homoleptic complexes from CO and PR₃.



Phosphine Ligands – PR₃

empty d orbitals on phosphine can act as π -acceptor orbitals

not very important unless R-groups are electron-withdrawing

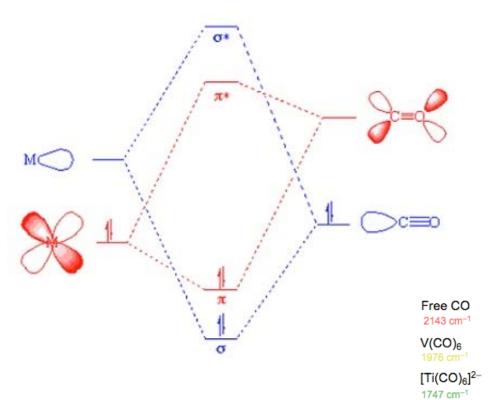


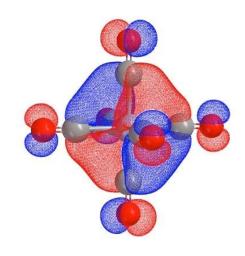
Phosphine ligands

excellent soft-donor ligands with a wide variety of easily adjusted steric and electronic factors

R = carbon groups

phosphine (US)
phosphane (Germany/Europe)





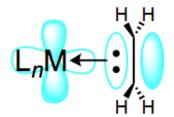
Cr(CO)₆

Mn₂(CO)₁₀

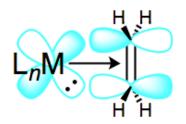
Fe(CO)₅

Co₂(CO)₈ 2044 cm⁻¹ Ni(CO)₄ 2057 cm⁻¹

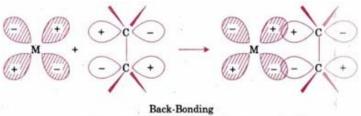




Filled π orbital Empty d orbital



Filled metallic HOMO Empty π* orbital



The molecular orbital view of alkene-metal bonding.

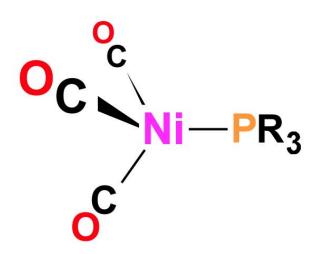


CO as a Reporter Ligand via IR Stretching Frequencies

Tolman Electronic Parameter for Ligand Donor Ability

Lowest CO stretching frequency:

most donating phosphine



Highest CO stretching frequency:

least donating phosphine

(best π-acceptor)

Tolman electronic parameter

 Strong π acceptor ligands will compete with CO for the electron back donation and C-O stretch frequency will remain high

Weak back donation → High C – O stretch

The IR frequencies represent a reliable yardstick for the electronic properties of a series of P ligands toward a particular metal, M.

CrL(CO)₅ or NiL(CO)₃ as examples; L = P(t-Bu)₃ as reference

The electronic parameter, χ (chi) for other ligands is simply defined as the difference in the IR frequencies of the symmetric stretch of the two complexes

Ligand, PR ₃ , R=	<u>x (chi)</u>	IR Freq (A ₁) of NiL(CO) ₃ in cm ⁻¹
T-Bu	0	2056
N-Bu	4	2060
4-C ₆ H ₄ NMe ₃	5	2061
Ph	13	2069
$4-C_6H_4F$	16	2072
CH ₃ O	20	2076
PhO	29	2085
CF ₃ CH ₂ O	39	2095
CI	41	2097
(CF ₃) ₂ CHO	54	2110
F	55	2111
CF₃	59	2115

Tolman's steric parameter

B. Steric Effects

Cone angle (Tolman's parameter, θ) (Monodentate ligands)
 From the metal center, located at a distance of
 2.28 A from the phosphorus atom in the appropriate direction, a cone is constructed with embraces all the atoms of the substituents on the P atom, even thoug ligands never form a perfect cone.

Sterically, more bulky ligands give less stable complexe Crystal structure determination, angles smaller than θ values would suggest.

Thermochemistry: heat of formation of metal-phosphine adducts.

When electronic effects are small, the heats measured are a measure of the steric hindrance in the complexes. angle

Heats of formation decrease with increasing steric bulk of the ligand.

Ligand, PR ₃ ; R =	Н	θ value =	87
	CH ₃ O		107
	n-Bu		132
	PhO		128
	Ph		145
	i-Pr		160
	C ₆ H ₁₁		170
	t-Bu		182

Electron Counting

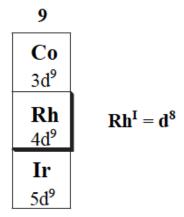
Step 1: Determine the oxidation state of the metal.

To do this, balance the ligand charges with an equal opposite charge on the metal. This is the metal's formal oxidation state.

To determine ligand charges, create an ionic model by assigning each M-L electron pair to the more electronegative atom (L). This should result in stable ligand species or ones known as reaction intermediates in solution.

$$OC: \begin{array}{c} H & -1 \\ \odot & \\ Rh^{I} : CO \\ \hline Ph_{2} & O \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Step 2: Determine the d electron count. Recall: subtract the metal's oxidation state from its group #.



Step 3: Determine the electron count of the complex by adding the # of electrons donated by each ligand to the metal's d electron count.

η ¹ ligands (monodentate):	Formal charge	# of e- donated
H (hydride)	-1	2
CH ₃ (alkyl)	-1	2
СО	0	2
X (halides)	-1	2
μ-X (bridging)	-1	4
M M		(2/metal)
OR (terminal	-1	2
alkoxide)		
μ-OR (bridging)	-1	4
R		(2/metal)
M M		
OR ₂ (ether)	0	2
O ₂ (superoxide)	-1	2
O (terminal oxo)	-2	4
μ-O (bridging)	-2	4
M M		(2/metal)
PR ₂ (phosphide)	-1	2
PR ₃ (phosphine)	0	2
NR ₂ (amide)	-1	2
NR ₃ (amine)	0	2
imines	0	2
nitriles	0	2
NO (nitrosyl) linear	+1	2

η ¹ -coordination	Formal charge	# of e- donated
η^{1} -aryl	-1	2
M η^1 -alkenyl	-1	2
R———M η ¹ -alkynyl	-1	2
Η M η ¹ -Cp (cyclopentadienyl)	-1	2
η^1 -allyl	-1	2
ο M η ¹ -acetate	-1	2

η ^x -coordination	Formal charge	# of e- donated
M η ⁶ -arene	0	6
η^2 -alkene	0	2
\mathbf{R} \mathbf{M} $\mathbf{\eta}^2$ -alkyne	0	2
M η ⁵ -Cp (cyclopentadienyl)	-1	6
$ \frac{\sqrt{M}}{\eta^{3}-\text{allyl}} $	M -1	4
η ² -acetate	-1	4

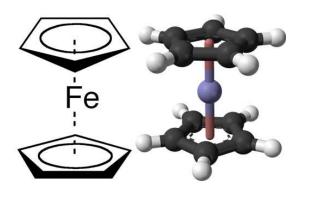
Ferrocene: $(\eta^5 - C_5H_5)_2Fe$

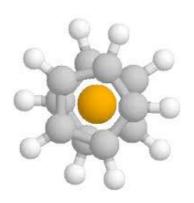
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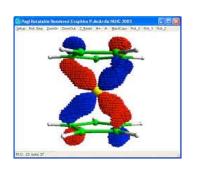
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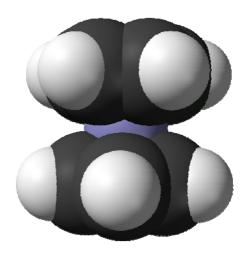
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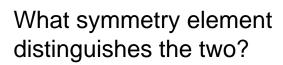
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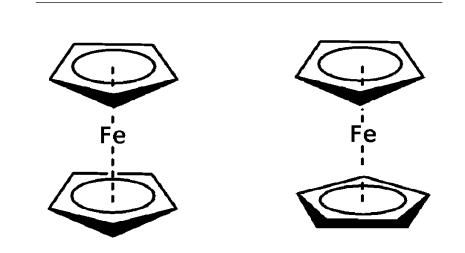












Electron Counting II

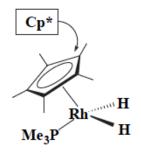
$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \overset{P}{(Cy)_3} & & \\ & & \vdots & \\ & Ir^{III} & & \\ H: \ominus & & \odot : O & \\ & & P(Cy)_3 & & \end{array}$$

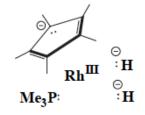
Crabtree's dehydrogenation catalyst

ligands: 12ecomplex: 18 e-

Crabtree JACS 1987 (109) 8025.

metal: d⁶, 6e-

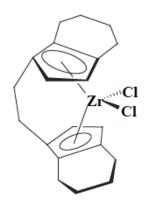


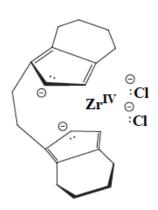


Bergman: direct observation of C-H-> C-M

Bergman OM 1984 (3) 508.

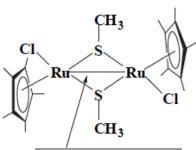
ligands: 12emetal: d⁶, 6ecomplex: 18 e-





Brintzinger catalyst

ligands: 16emetal: d⁰, 0ecomplex: 16 e-



Ru-Ru bond = 2 enote: metal oxidation state doesn't change

Hidai catalyst for propargylic substition

Hidai JACS 2002 (124) 7900

Cl: Rı	СН ₃ :S:⊖	Ru ^m
	⊙ :S: CH ₃	:Cl \ ⊝

Ru 1	Ru 2
ligands: 12 e-	ligands: 12 e-
metal: d ⁵ , 5e-	metal: d ⁵ , 5e-
Ru 2: 1 e-	Ru 1: 1 e-
complex: 18 e-	complex: 18 e-

Brintzinger JOMC 1985 (228) 63.