

Lecture: Overview of Organometallic Reactions

Table 7-1 Common Reactions of Organotransition Metal Complexes

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Ligand substitution	$L'' + L_nML' \longrightarrow L_nML'' + L'$	0	0	0	7-1
Oxidative addition	$L_nM + X-Y \longrightarrow L_nM(X)(Y)$	+2	+2	+2	7-2
Reductive elimination	$L_nM(X)(Y) \longrightarrow L_nM + X-Y$	-2	-2	-2	7-3
1,1-Insertion ^a	$\begin{array}{c} Y \\ \\ L_nM - X = Z \\ \\ 1 \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} Z \\ \\ L_nM - X - Y \\ \\ 1 \end{array}$	0	-1	-2	8-1-1
1,2-Insertion ^a	$\begin{array}{c} Y \\ \\ L_nM - \begin{array}{c} X \\ \\ Z \end{array} \\ \\ 1 \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} L_nM - X - Z - Y \\ \quad \\ 1 \quad 2 \end{array}$	0	-1	-2	8-1-1
Nucleophilic addition ^b	$\begin{array}{c} Y \\ \\ L_nM - \begin{array}{c} X \\ \\ Z \end{array} + Nuc:^- \longrightarrow [L_nM - X - Z - Nuc]^- \end{array}$	0 ^c	0	0	8-2
Nucleophilic abstraction ^b	$\begin{array}{c} O \\ \\ L_nM - CR + Nuc-H \longrightarrow L_nM-H + Nuc - \begin{array}{c} O \\ \\ CR \end{array} \end{array}$	0	0	0	8-3
Electrophilic addition ^b	$L_nM-X=Z + E^+ \longrightarrow [L_nM-X-Z-E]^+$	0	0	0	8-4
Electrophilic abstraction ^b	$L_nM-X-Z-Y + E^+ \longrightarrow L_nM^+ - \begin{array}{c} X \\ \\ Z \end{array} + E-Y$	0	0	0	8-4
π - and σ -Bond metathesis ^d	$\begin{array}{c} R \\ \\ C \\ \\ C \\ \\ R' \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} R \\ \\ C \\ \\ C \\ \\ R' \end{array} \text{ or } \begin{array}{c} X \\ \\ Y \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} W \\ \\ Z \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} R-C=C-R \\ + \\ R'-C=C-R' \end{array} \text{ or } \begin{array}{c} X-W \\ + \\ Y-Z \end{array}$				11-1 and 11-4

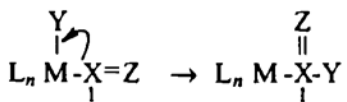
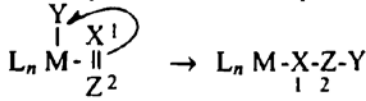
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^d Δ oxidation state, coordination number, and e^- count are not applicable here, especially in π -bond metathesis where the metal complex is a catalyst.

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1,2-Insertion ^a	 $L_n M - \overset{\overset{Y}{ }}{X} = Z \rightarrow L_n M - X - Z - Y$	0	-1	-2	8-1-2
Nucleophilic addition ^b	$L_n M - \overset{\overset{X}{ }}{Z} + Nuc: ^- \rightarrow [L_n M - X - Z - Nuc] ^-$	0 ^c	0	0	8-2
Nucleophilic abstraction ^b	$L_n M - \overset{\overset{O}{ }}{C}R + Nuc-H \rightarrow L_n M - H + Nuc - \overset{\overset{O}{ }}{C}R$	0	0	0	8-3
Electrophilic addition ^b	$L_n M - X = Z + E^+ \rightarrow [L_n M - X - Z - E]^+$	0	0	0	8-4
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Ligand Substitution Reactions

Associative (A):



Dissociative (D):

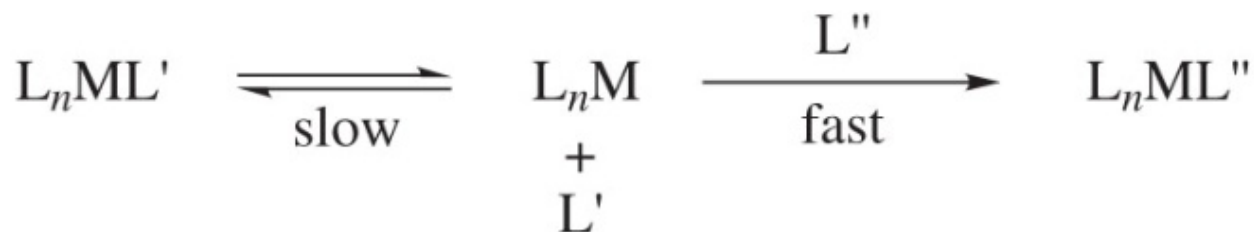
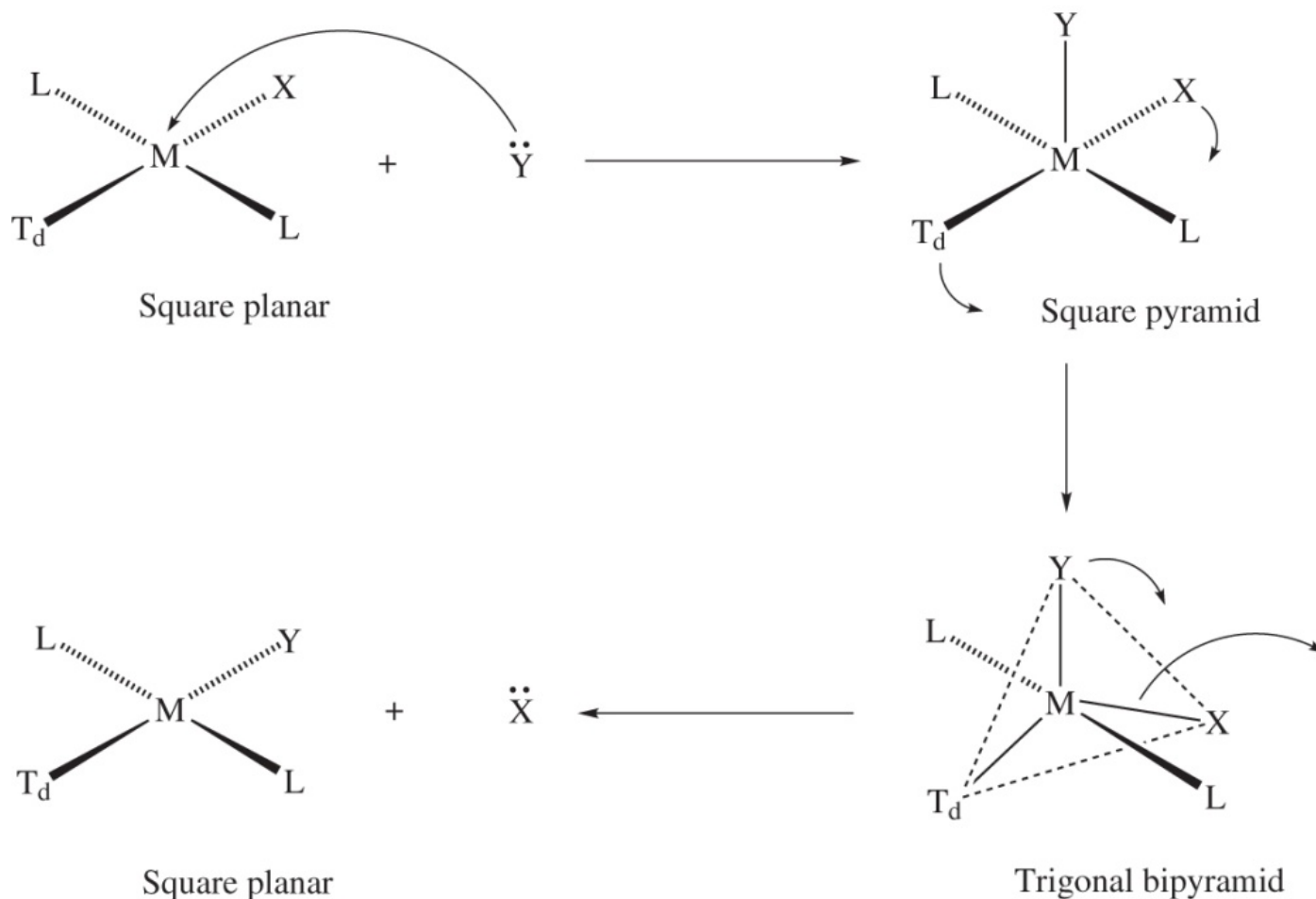


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Associative Process for Ligand Substitution in Square Planar Complex



Question: What properties of T_d , X , Y facilitate this reaction??

Thermodynamic Trans Influence

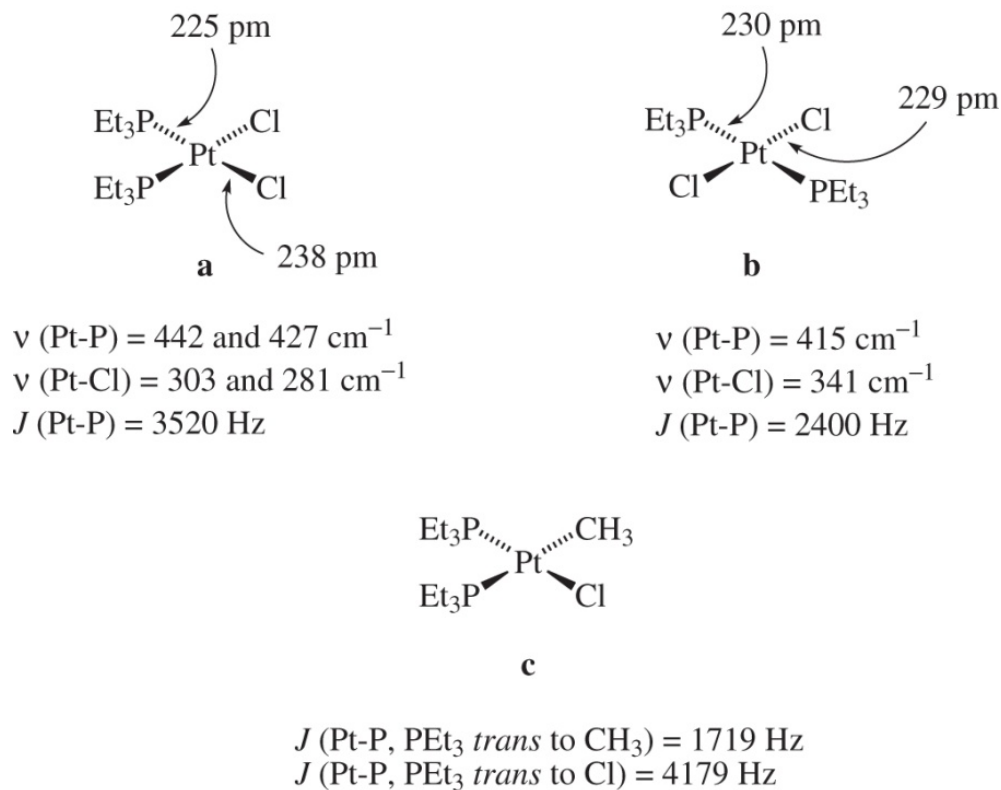


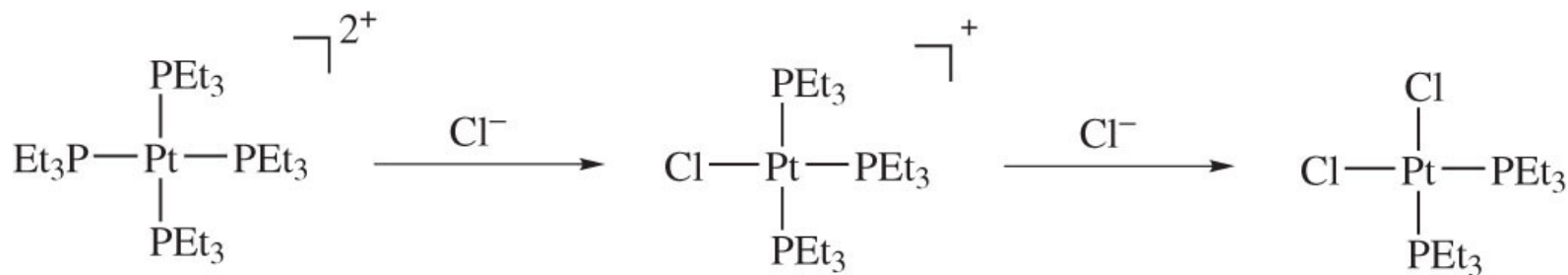
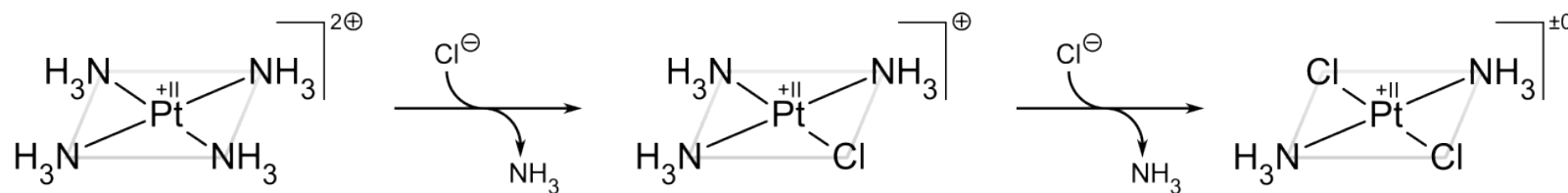
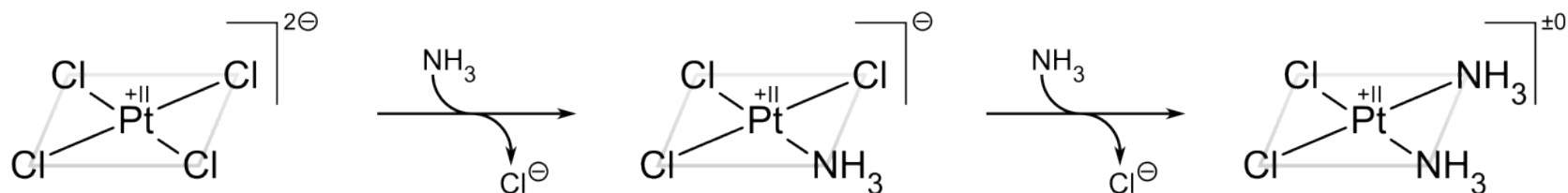
Figure 7-1 Spectral and Structural Characteristics of Pt(II) Complexes

Kinetic Trans Effect

Table 7-2 Effect of *trans* Ligand on Rate at 25 °C for the Reaction $\text{trans-Pt}(\text{Cl})(\text{R})(\text{PEt}_3)_2 + \text{Py} \rightarrow [\text{trans-Pt}(\text{Py})(\text{R})(\text{PEt}_3)_2]^+ + \text{Cl}^-$

R	$k \text{ (M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}\text{)}$
H ⁻	4.2
CH ₃ ⁻	6.7×10^{-2}
Ph ⁻	1.6×10^{-2}
Cl ⁻	4×10^{-4}

Trans Effect: Applications in Synthesis



(weak) F^- , HO^- , H_2O $<$ NH_3 $<$ py $<$ Cl^- $<$ Br^- $<$ I^- , SCN^- , NO_2^- , $\text{SC(NH}_2)_2$, Ph^- $<$ SO_3^{2-} $<$ PR_3 $<$ AsR_3 , SR_2 , H_3C^- $<$ H^- , NO , CO , NC^- , C_2H_4 (strong)

Trans Effect and Influence: Reaction Profiles

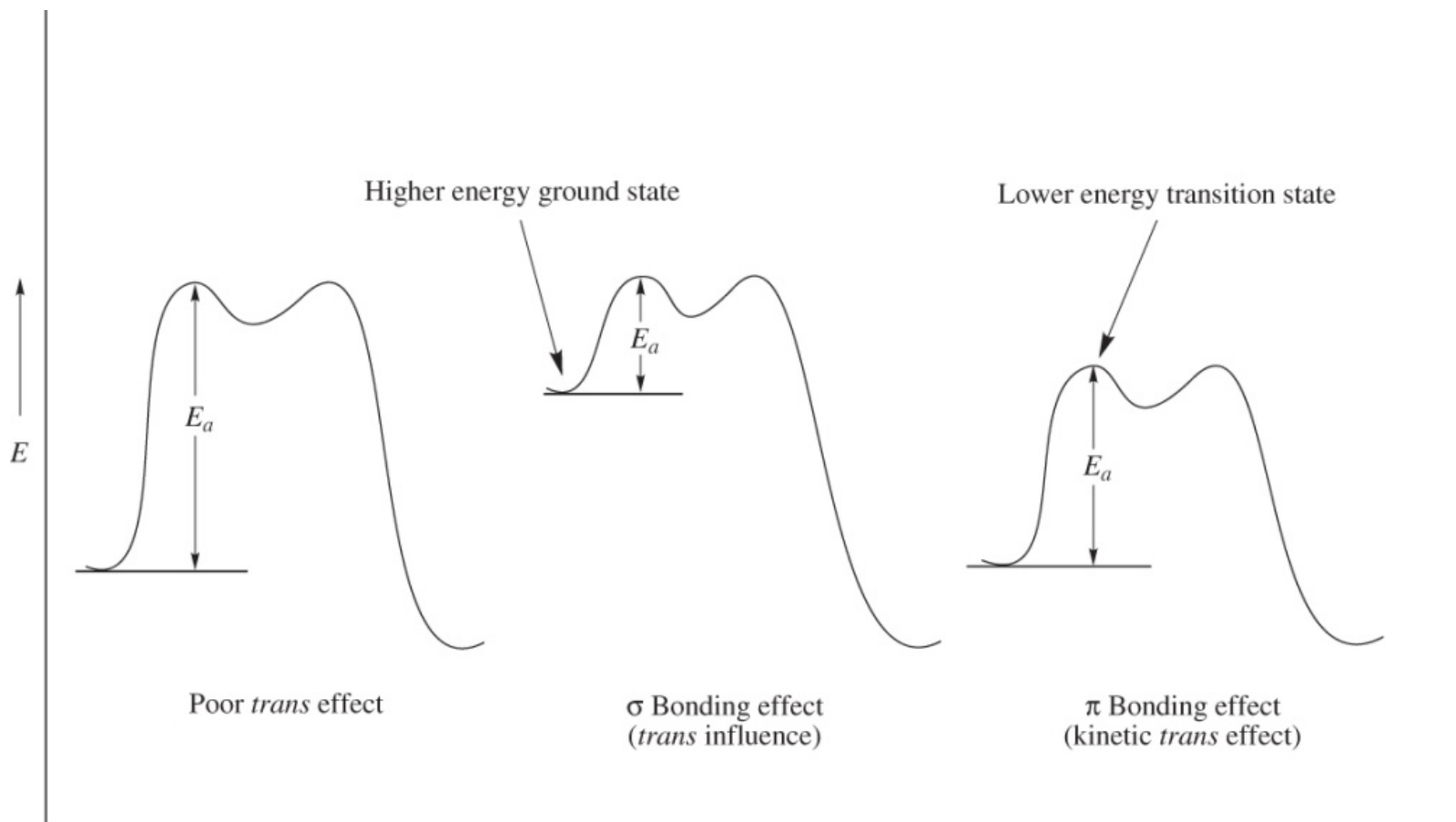
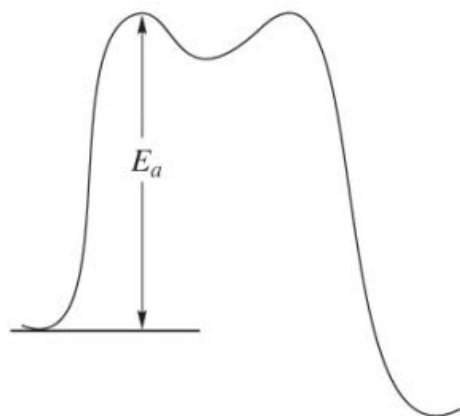


Figure 7-2 Activation Energy and the *trans* Effect The depth of the energy curve for the intermediate and the relative heights of the two maxima will vary with the specific reactants.

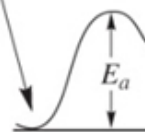
Trans Effect and Influence: Two Ways to affect rates as shown by Reaction Profiles



Destabilize
Ground state

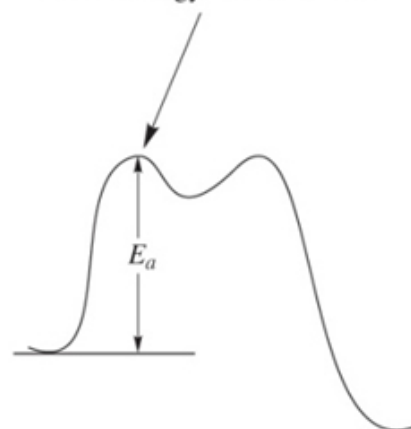
Stabilize the
Transition state

Higher energy ground state



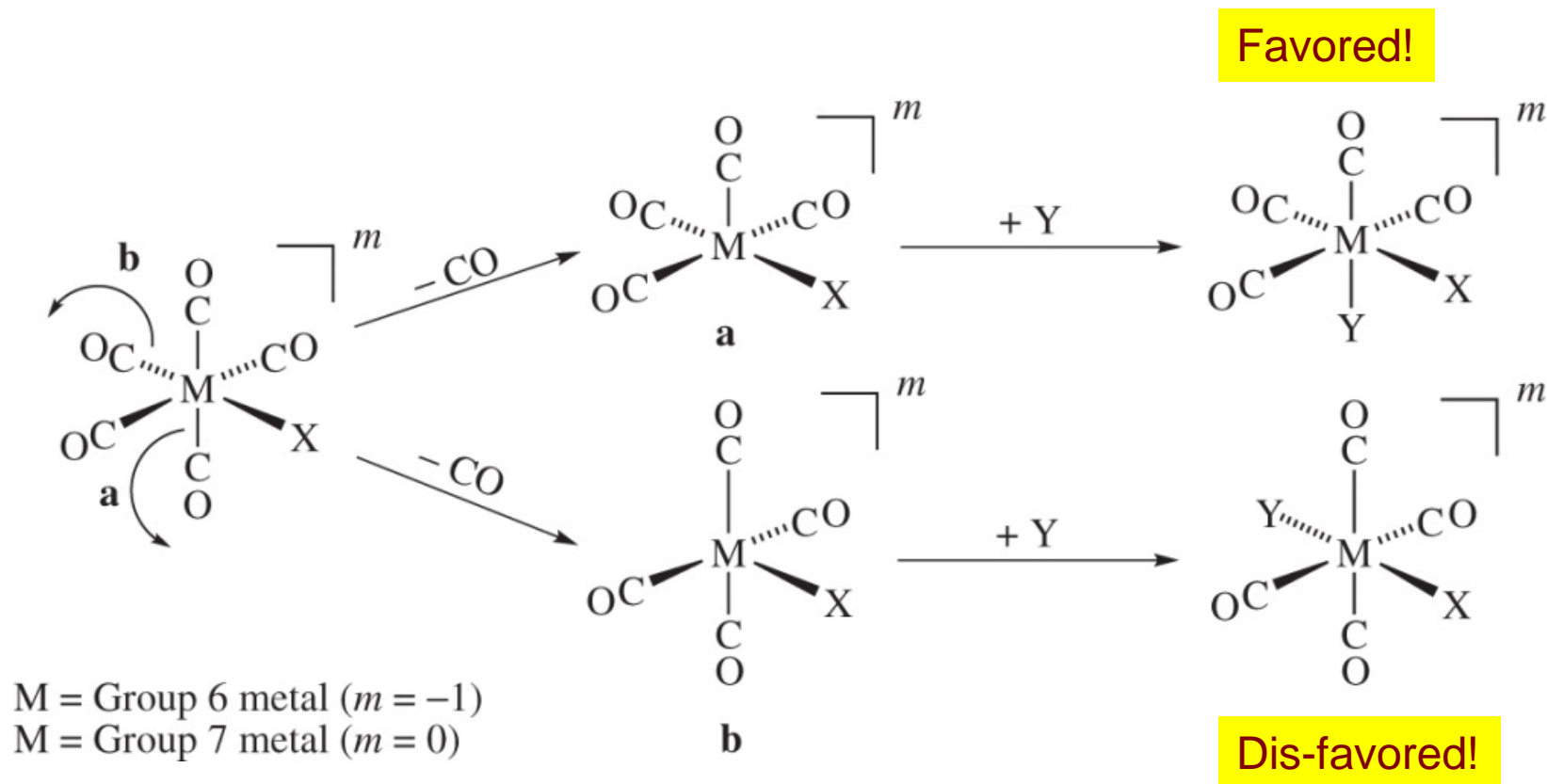
σ Bonding effect
(*trans* influence)

Lower energy transition state

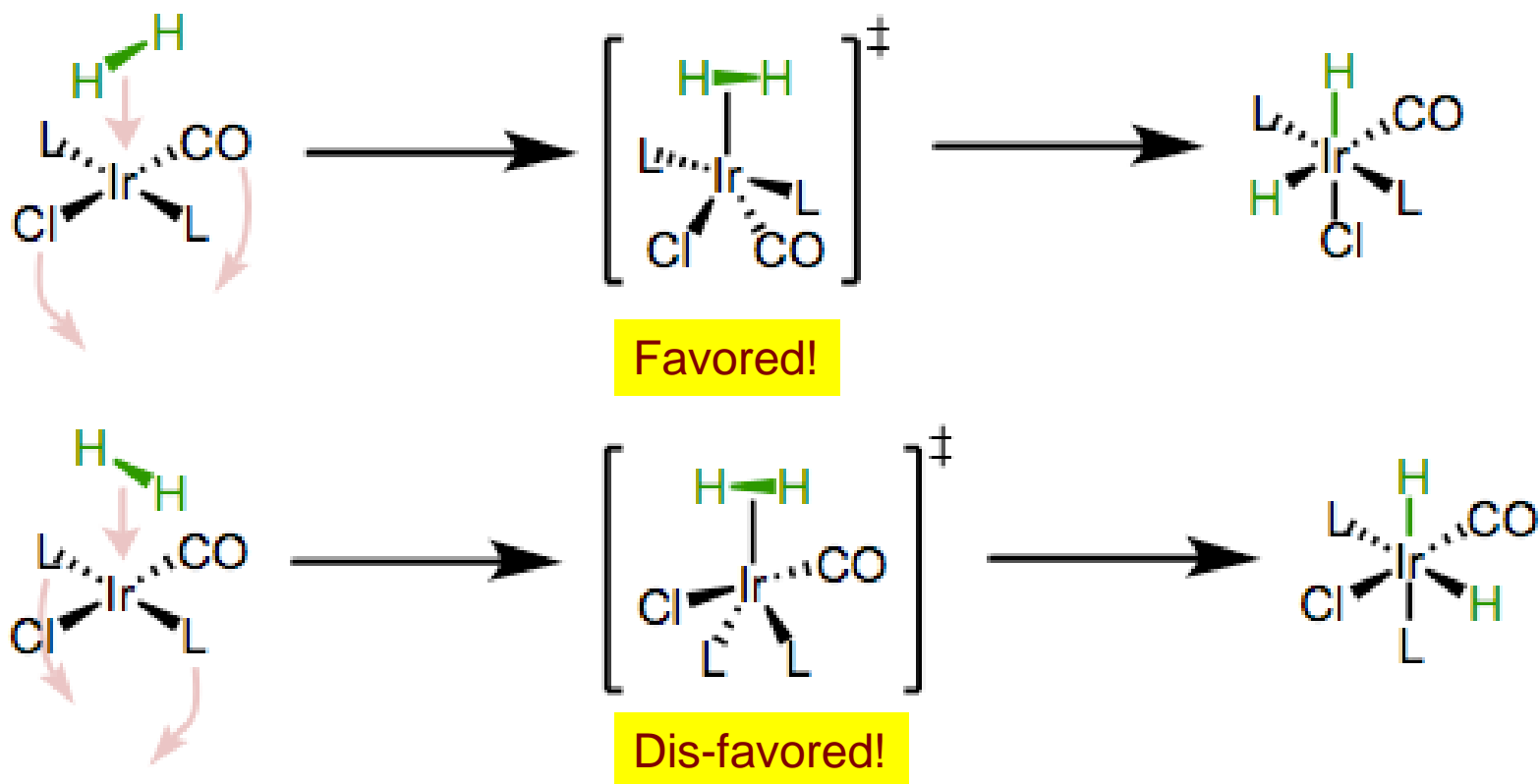


π Bonding effect
(kinetic *trans* effect)

Figure 7-5 Intermediates in the Dissociative Substitution of $M(CO)_5X$ Complexes: *cis*-labilizing effect of X ligands

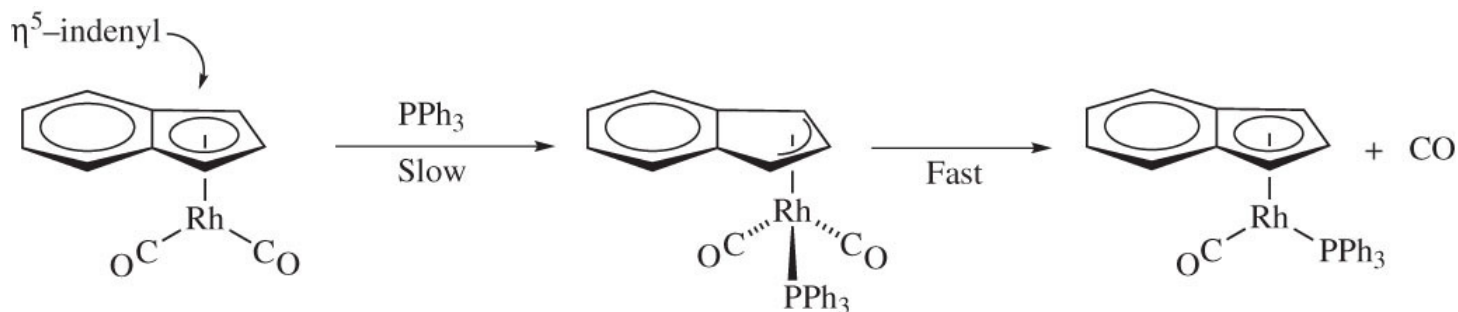
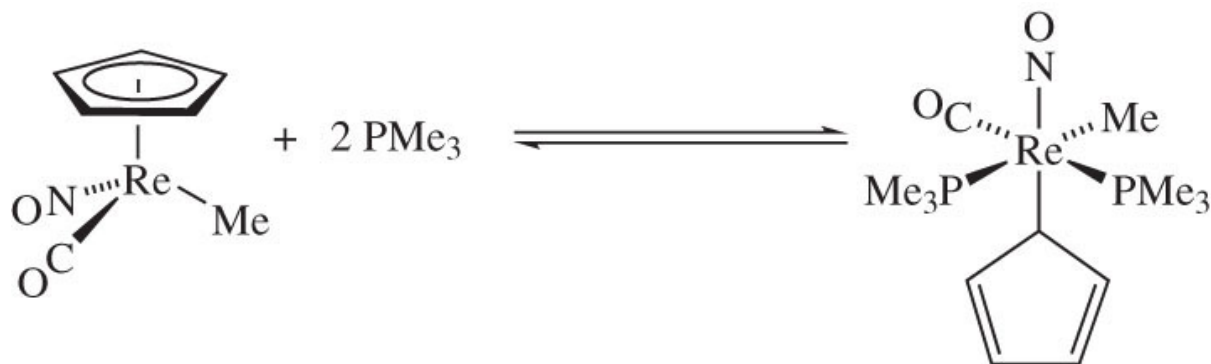
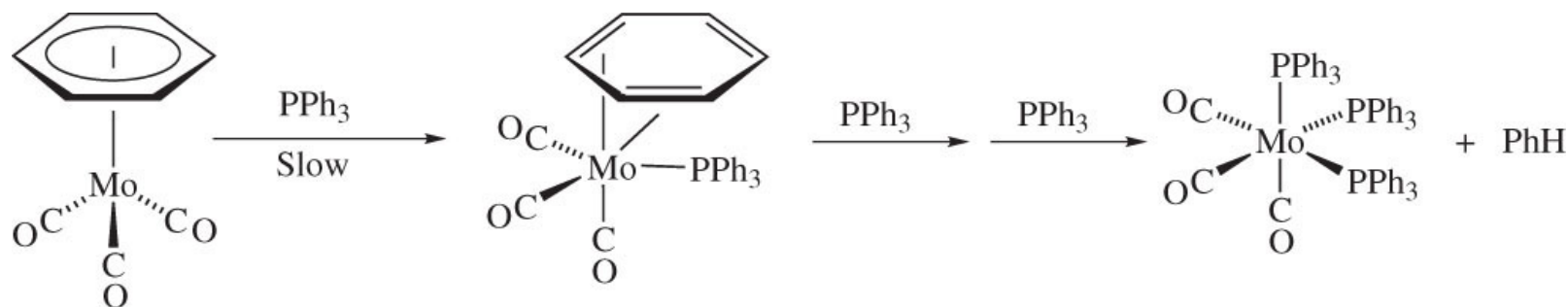


The importance of the transition state in H_2 oxidative addition



What are the factors that favor the cis vs. $trans$ - $L_2Ir(CO)(Cl)(H)_2$ isomers?

Associative Ligand Substitution Reactions in 18-electron complexes: Does not use 20-e intermediates



Classic Dissociative Reaction

Dissociative Reactions: $\text{rate} = k[\text{M}-\text{CO}]^1$



Table 7-3³⁷ Rates of Ligand (L) Replacement by CO at 70 °C

L	Cone angle (°)	Rate constant (sec ⁻¹)	ΔH^\ddagger (kcal/mol)	ΔS^\ddagger (eu) ^a
Phosphines				
PMe ₂ Ph	122	<1.0 x 10 ⁻⁶		
PMePh ₂	136	1.33 x 10 ⁻⁵		
PPh ₃	145	3.16 x 10 ⁻³	29.7	14.4
PPhCy ₂ ^b	162	6.40 x 10 ⁻²	30.2	21.7
Phosphites				
P(OPh) ₃	128	<1.0 x 10 ⁻⁵		
P(O- <i>o</i> -tol) ₃ ^c	141	1.60 x 10 ⁻⁴	31.9	14.4

^aeu = cal/mol-K.

^bCy = cyclohexyl.

^c*o*-tol = *ortho*-toluyl (*o*-methylphenyl).

Competing Dissociative and Interchange-Dissoc. Reaction Pathways

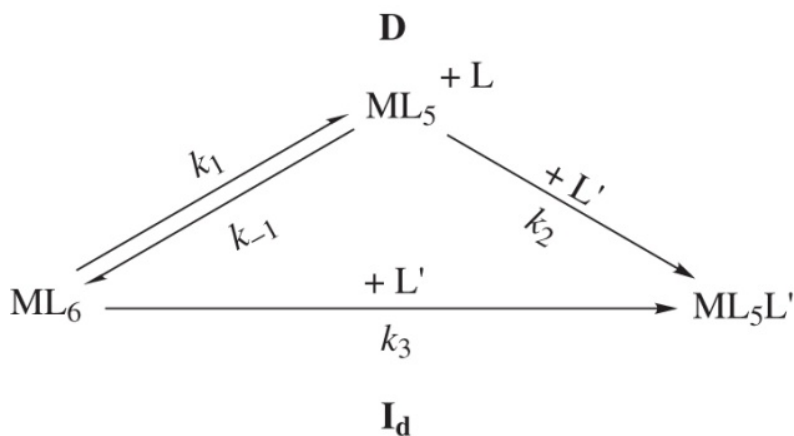


Table 7-4^a Activation Parameters for Ligand Substitution of $\text{M}(\text{CO})_6$ with PBU_3

M	ΔH_1^\ddagger^b	ΔS_1^\ddagger^c	ΔH_3^\ddagger	ΔS_3^\ddagger
Cr	40.2	22	25.5	-15
Mo	31.6	6.7	21.7	-15
W	39.9	14	29.2	-6.9

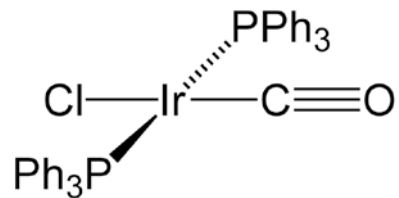
^aR. J. Angelici and J. R. Graham, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **1966**, 88, 3658 and R. J. Angelici and J. R. Graham, *Inorg. Chem.*, **1967**, 6, 2082.

^bkcal/mol.

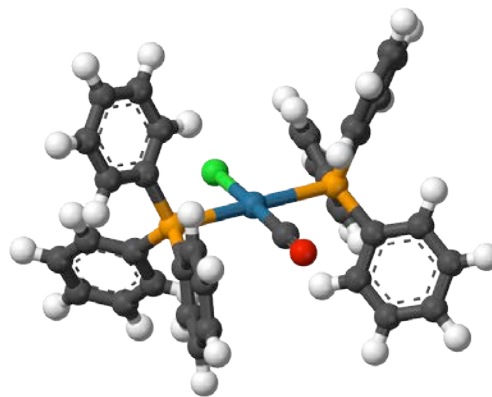
^cEntropy units (eu), cal/mol-K.

Vaska's complex

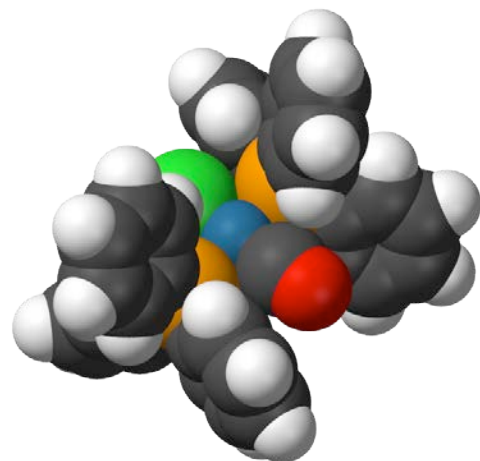
trans-IrCl(CO)[P(C₆H₅)₃]₂



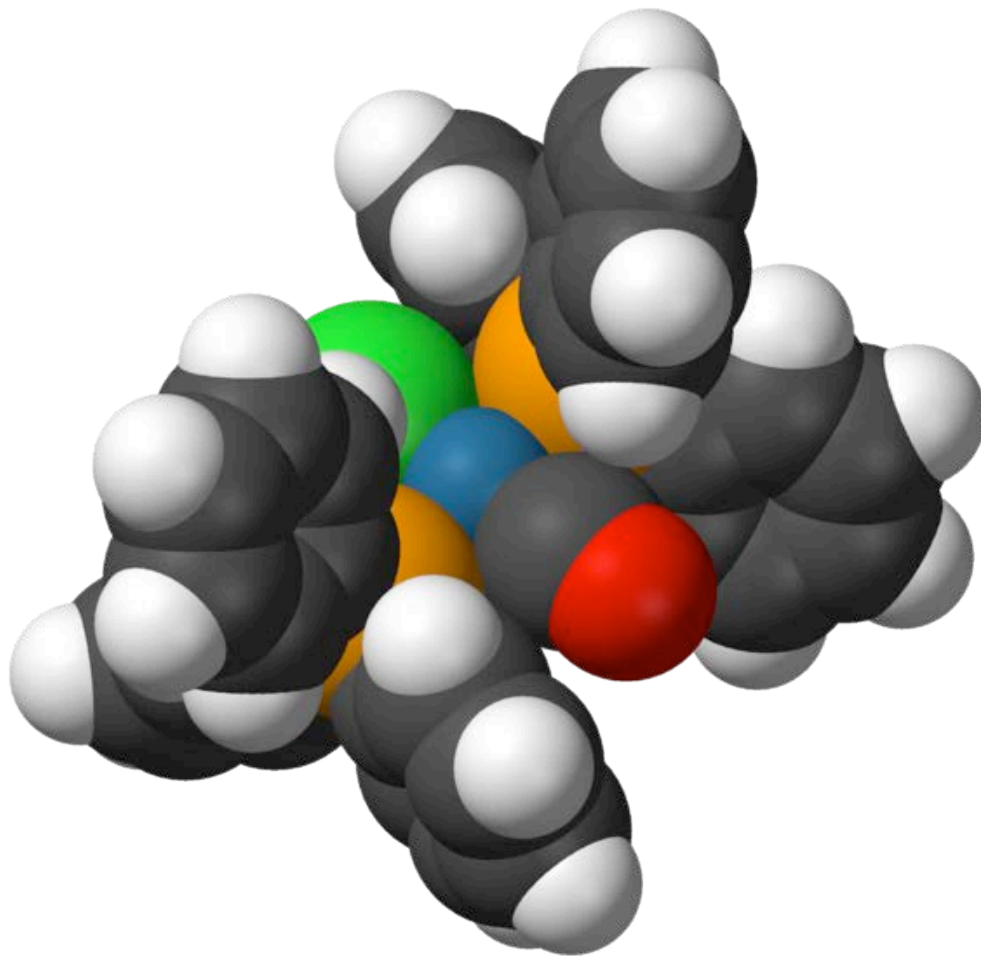
Synthesis might be trans-effect directed: Ir(PR₃)₄⁺ + ?



Problems: PPh₃ ligand is too large; CONE ANGLE = 145°



Space-filling model of Vaska's Complex



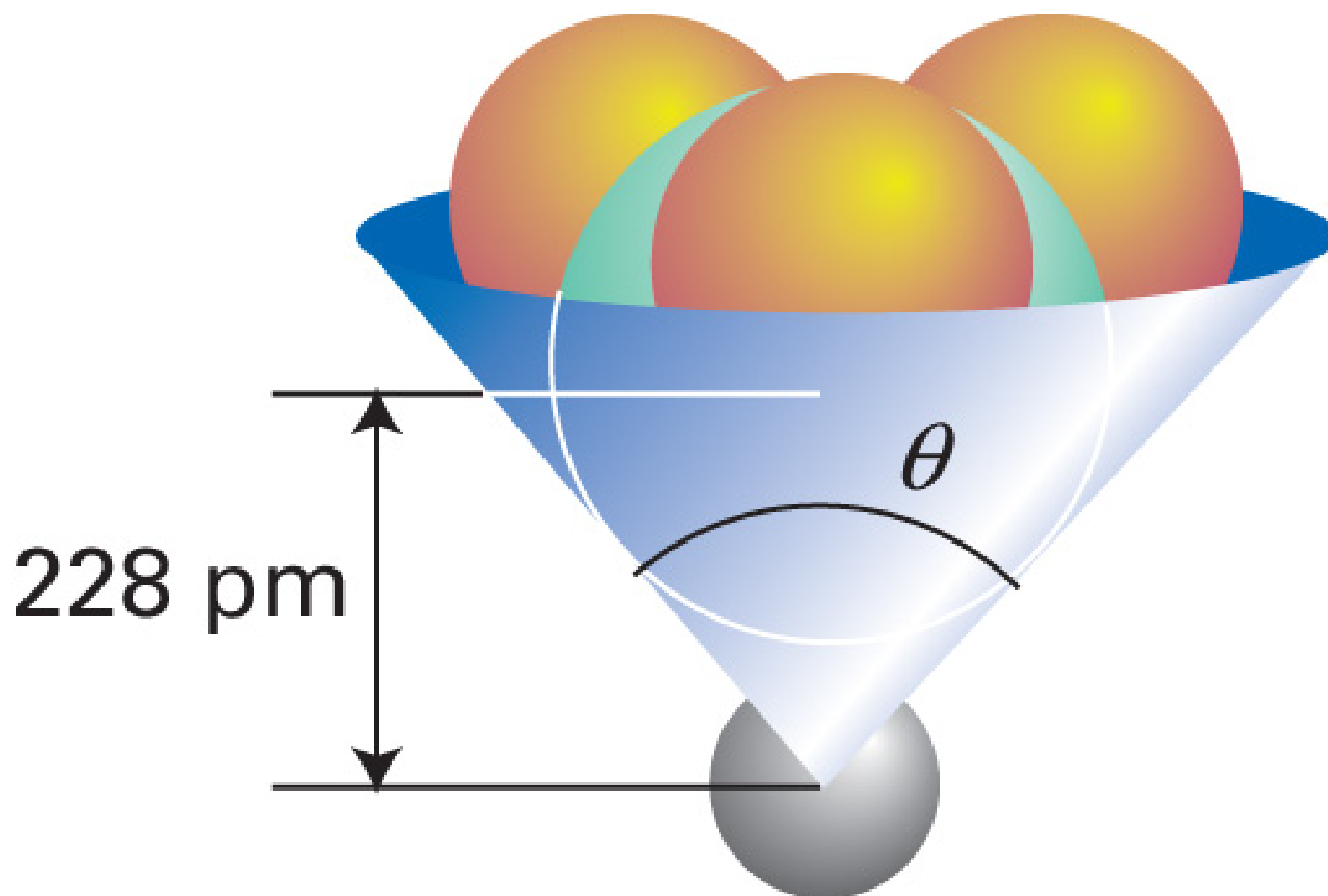
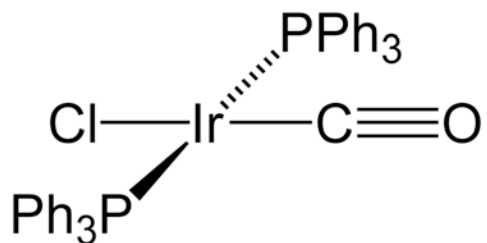


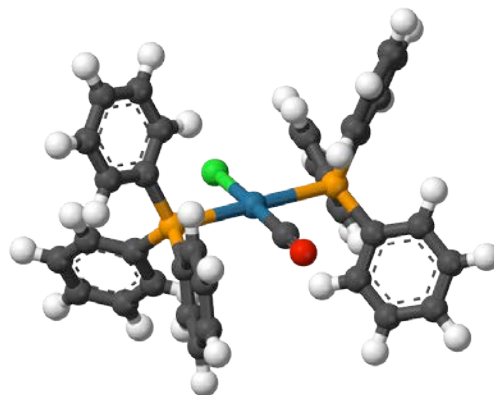
Table 21.7 Tolman cone angles for various ligands

Ligand	$\theta/^\circ$	Ligand	$\theta/^\circ$
CH ₃	90	P(OC ₆ H ₅) ₃	127
CO	95	PBu ₃	130
Cl, Et	102	PEt ₃	132
PF ₃	104	η^5 -C ₅ H ₅ (Cp)	136
Br, Ph	105	PPh ₃	145
I, P(OCH ₃) ₃	107	η^5 -C ₅ Me ₅ (Cp*)	165
PMe ₃	118	2,4-Me ₂ C ₅ H ₃	180
<i>t</i> -Butyl	126	P(<i>t</i> -Bu) ₃	182

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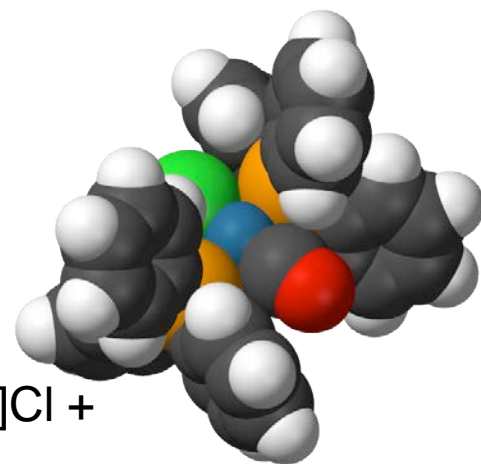
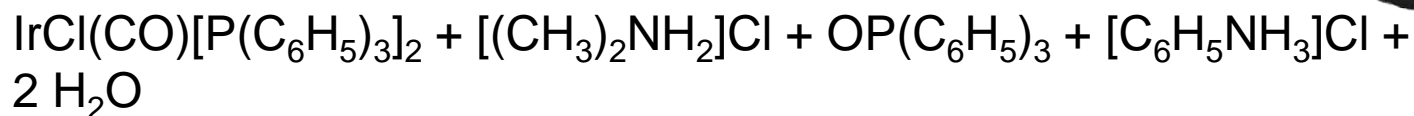
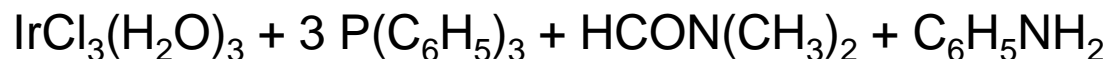


Synthesis might be trans-effect directed: Ir(PR₃)₄⁺ + ?



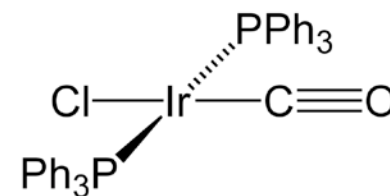
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Alternate way:

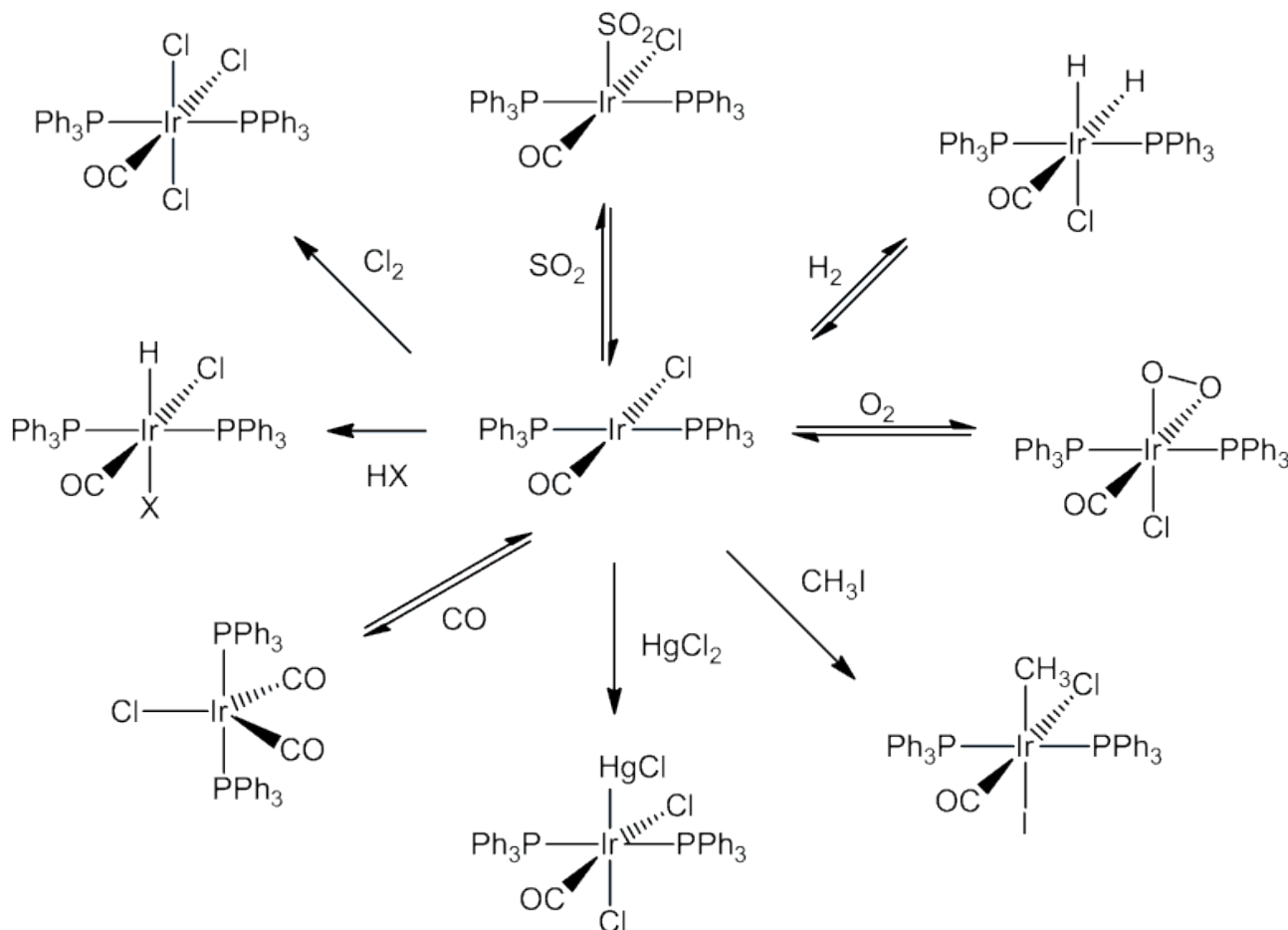


Why 3 PPh₃?

Vaska's complex $\text{trans-IrCl(CO)[P(C}_6\text{H}_5)_3]_2$

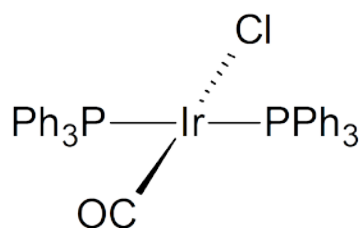
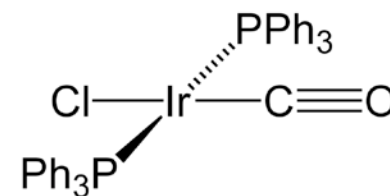


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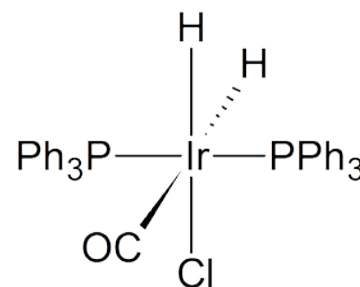
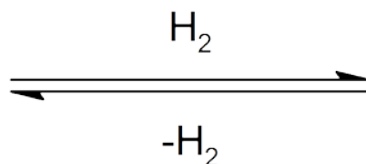


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Ir(I), 16 e



Ir(III), 18 e

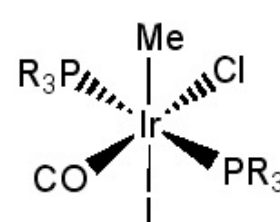
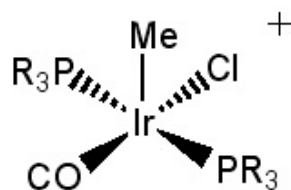
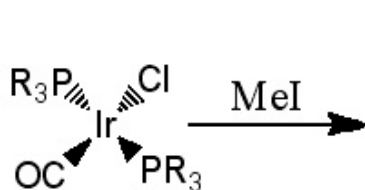
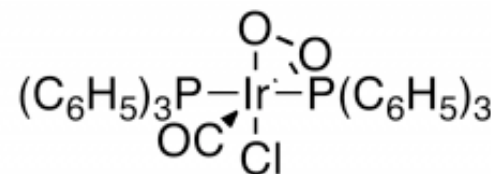
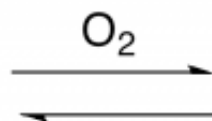
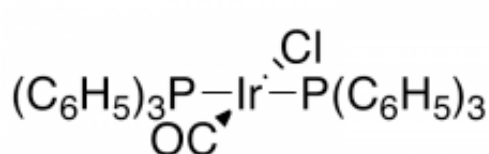
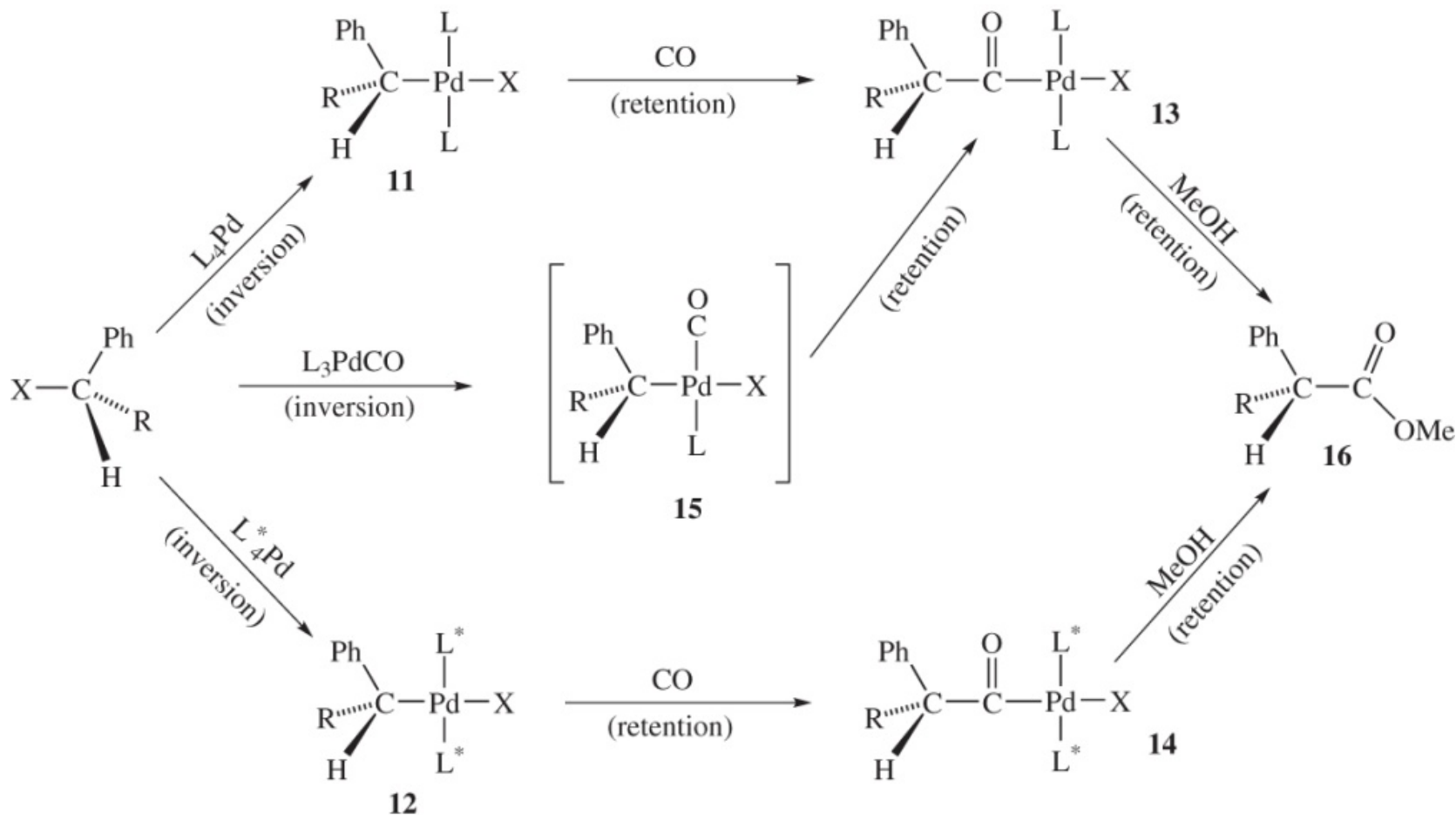


Table 7-7 Oxidation Addition Pathways

Mechanism Type	Species Adding to ML_n	Number of steps	Stereochemistry at carbon	Stereochemistry of new ligands on the metal
3-Center Concerted ^a	H-H, C-H, C-C, Ar-X, Vinyl-X	One	Retention of configuration	<i>cis</i>
Polar	X-X	Two	N/A	<i>trans</i>
S _N 2-like	Me-X, Allyl-X, Benzyl-X	Two	Inversion of configuration	<i>trans</i> (usually)
Radical	R-X (R ≠ Ar, vinyl, Me, allyl, benzyl)	Multiple	Racemization	Variable

^aOther concerted mechanisms are possible (see Section **7-2-1**).

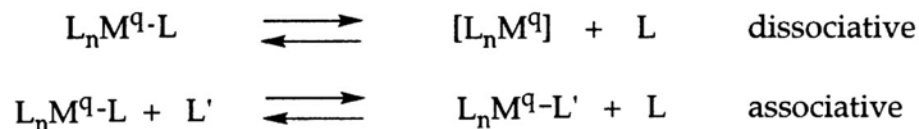
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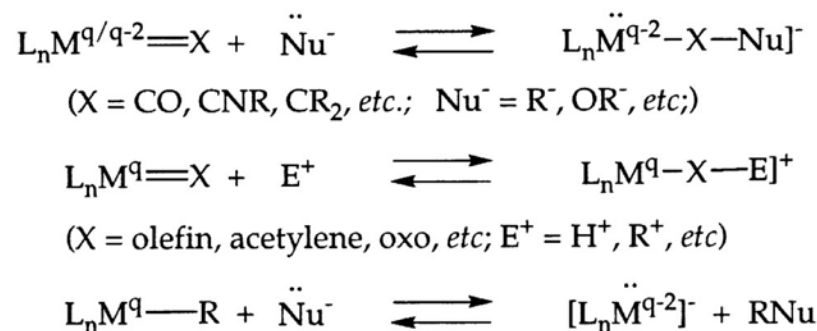
R = D or CH₃; L = PPh₃; L* = PEt₃; X = Br or Cl

Scheme 7.7 Stereospecific Reactions of Palladium Complexes

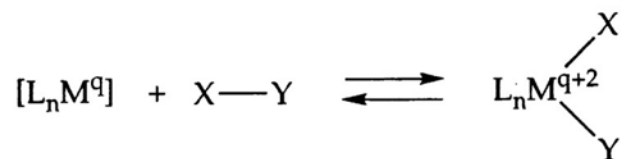
1. ligand substitution



2. external attack at ligands by nucleophiles and electrophiles



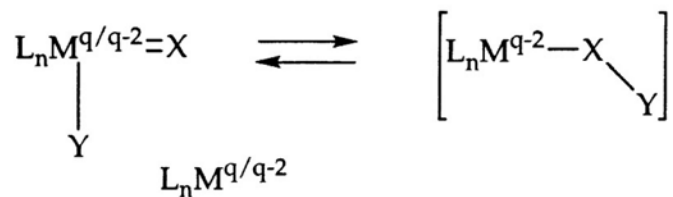
3. oxidative addition/reductive elimination * ($\text{X-Y} = \text{H}_2, \text{R-H}, \text{H-Cl}, \text{R-Br}, \text{etc.}$)



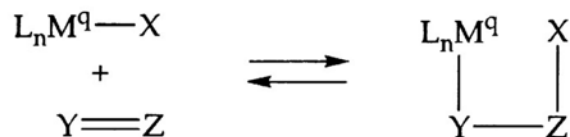
(*involves change in electron count and valency at metal of 2)

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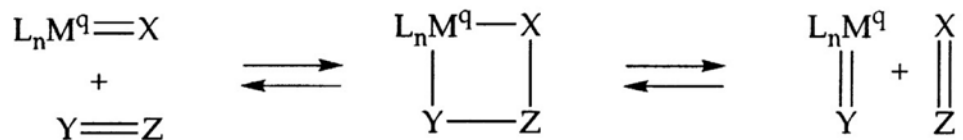
4. α migratory insertion/elimination ($X = \text{CO}, \text{CNR}, \text{CR}_2, \text{NR}, \text{O};$
 $Y = \text{H}, \text{R}, \text{OR}, \text{etc}$)



5. β migratory insertion/elimination ($X = \text{H}, \text{R}; Y = Z = \text{olefin, ketone, etc}$)



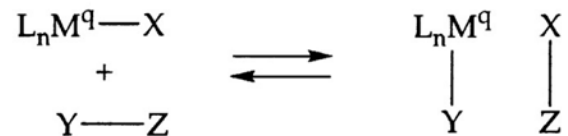
6. reversible 2+2 addition ($X = \text{CR}_2, \text{NR}, \text{O}; Y=Z = \text{olefin, ketone, etc}$)



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7. σ bond metathesis ($X, Y = H, R; Z = H$)



8. "1,2 addition/elimination" ($X = O, NR, CR_2; Y-Z = RO-H, H_2, R-H$)

