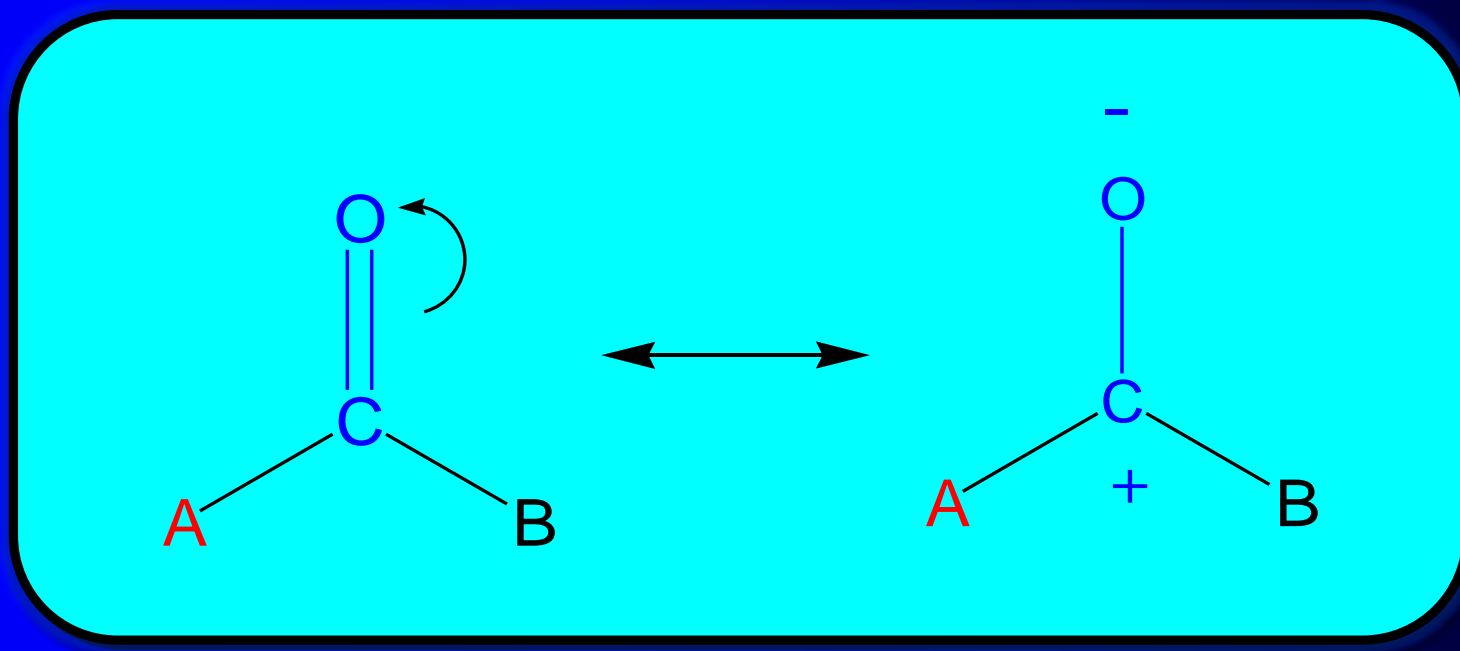


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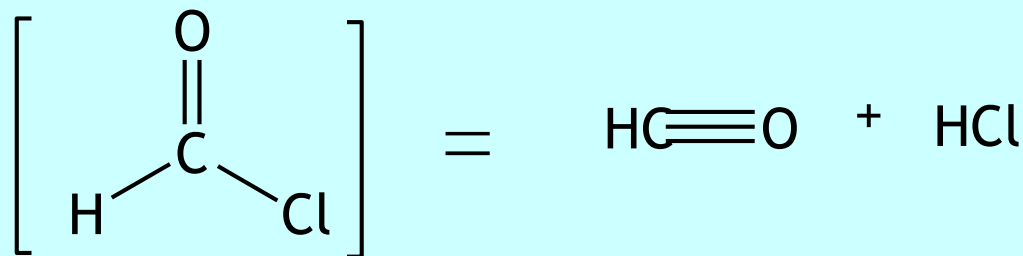
# Carbonyl Chemistry



# A “loose end”



# A word of caution regarding acylation reactions

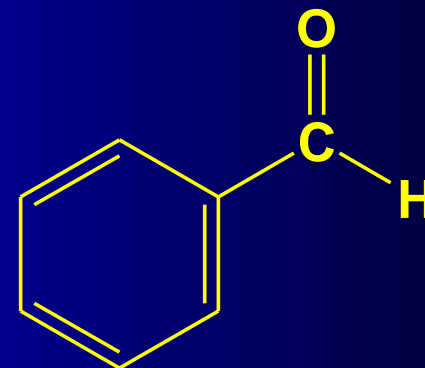
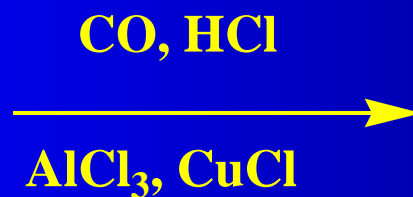
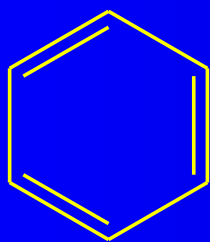
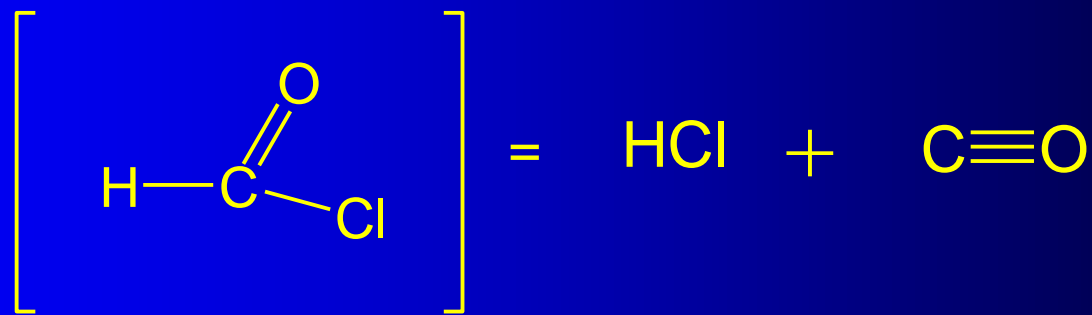


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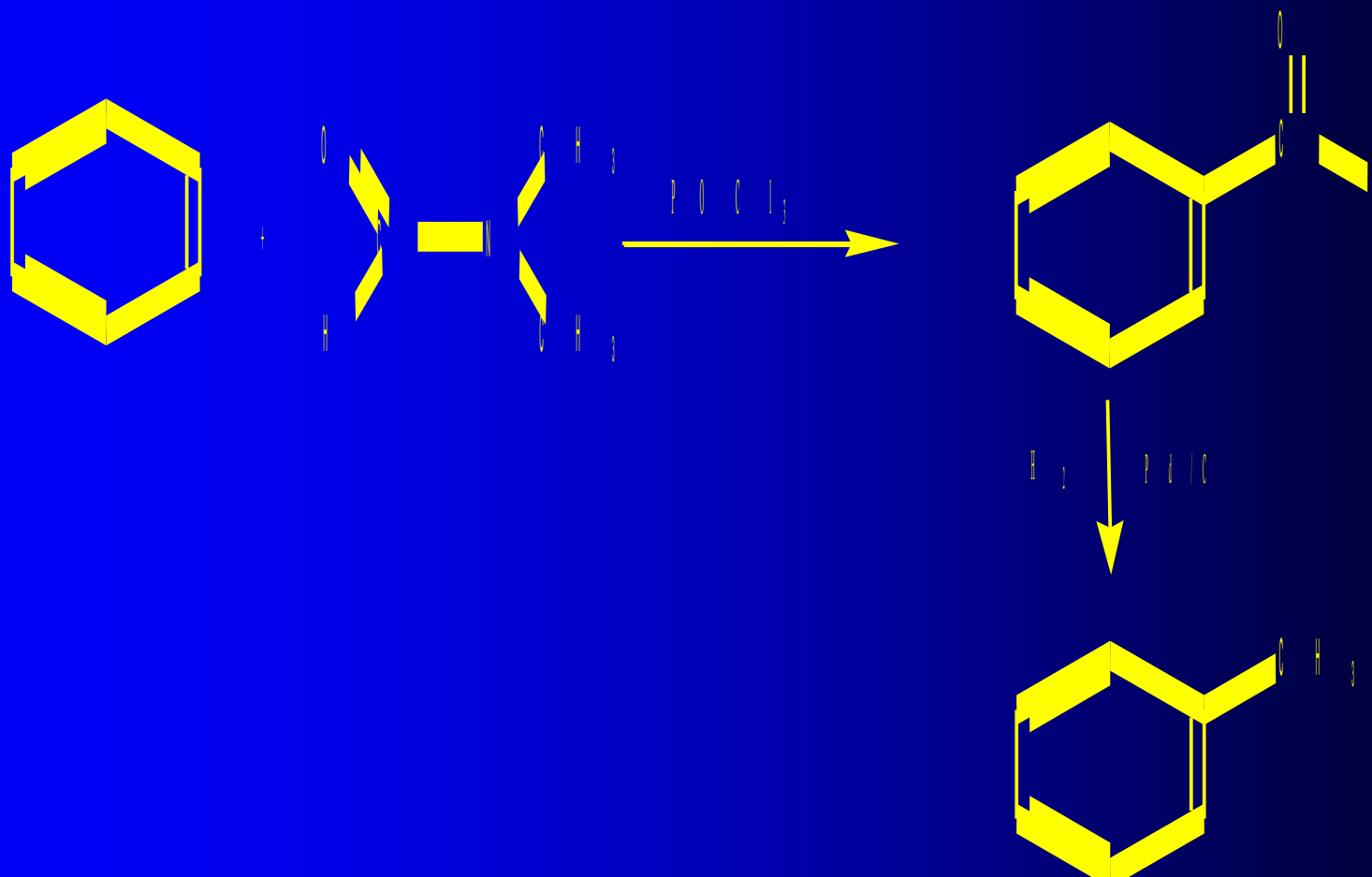
Please do not propose Friedel Crafts acylation with Formyl Chloride as a route to aryl aldehydes.



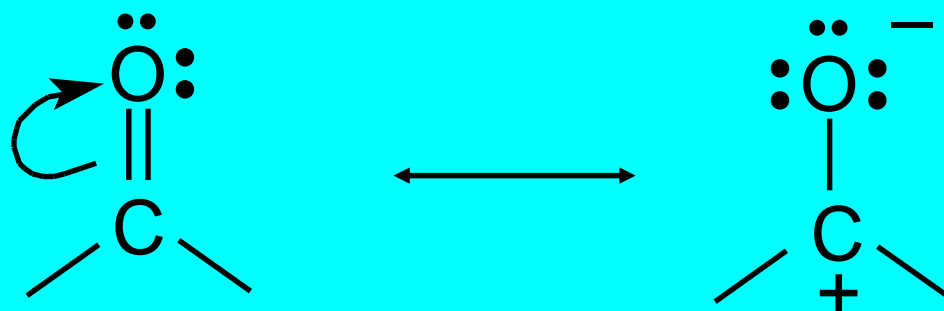
# Gatterman-Koch Reaction



# Vilsmeier Reaction



# Resonance Description of Carbonyl Group



**nucleophiles** attack carbon;

**electrophiles** attack oxygen

# Nomenclature-Aldehydes

- **IUPAC names:** select as the parent alkane the longest chain of carbon atoms that contains the carbonyl group..**subtract e and add al**
  - because the carbonyl group of the aldehyde must be on carbon 1, there is no need to give it a number
- For unsaturated aldehydes, show the presence of the C=C by changing **-an-** to **-en-**
  - the location of the suffix determines the numbering pattern





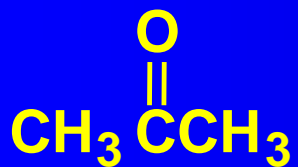
# Formaldehyde

- “Formalin” is an aqueous solution of a mixture of formaldehyde derived species
- Used for embalming and preservation of tissue samples, bugs, etc.
- Widely used in melamine resins for plywood, flooring, etc...
- Naturally occurring at 0.1mm in blood derived from metabolism of amino acids
- Toxicity is an issue and level set at 0.016ppm in air. Thirty ml ogf

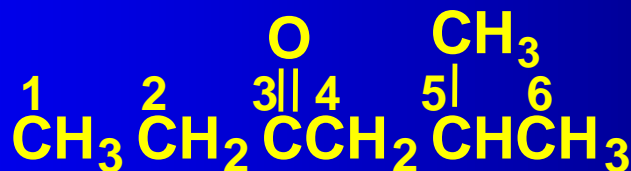
# Nomenclature-Ketones

- **IUPAC names:**

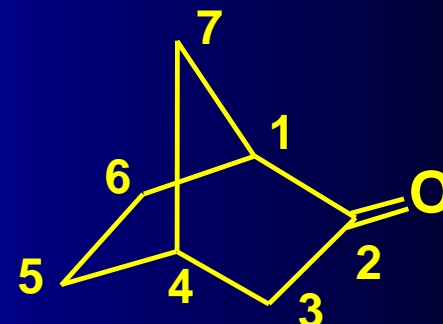
- select as the parent alkane the longest chain that contains the carbonyl group,
- number to give C=O the smaller number and then subtract e and add one



Propanone  
(Acetone)

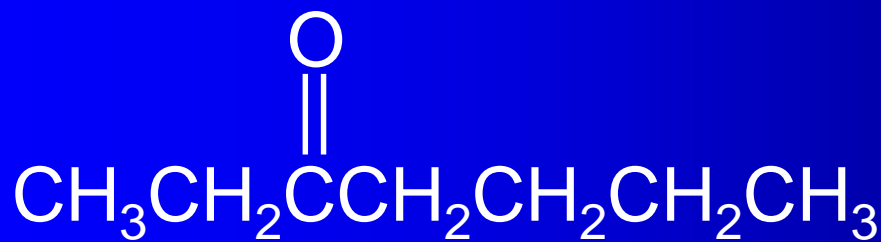


5-Methyl-3-hexanone

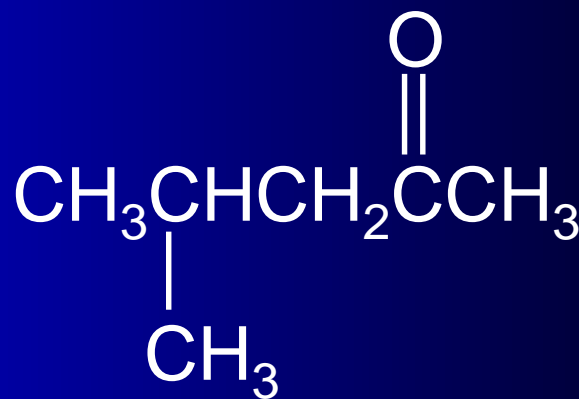


Bicyclo[2.2.1]-2-heptanone

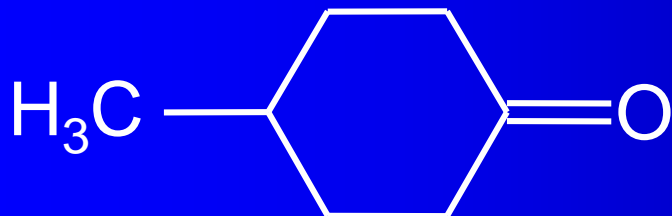
# IUPAC Nomenclature of Ketones



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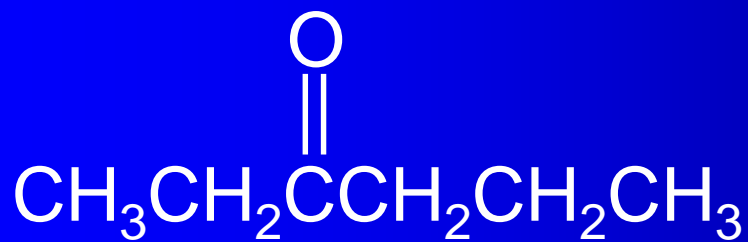


4-methyl-2-pentanone

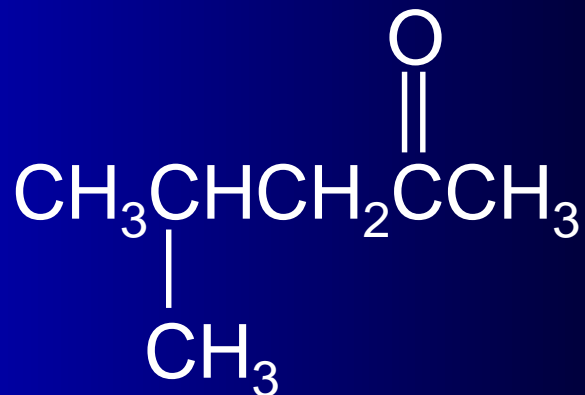


4-methylcyclohexanone

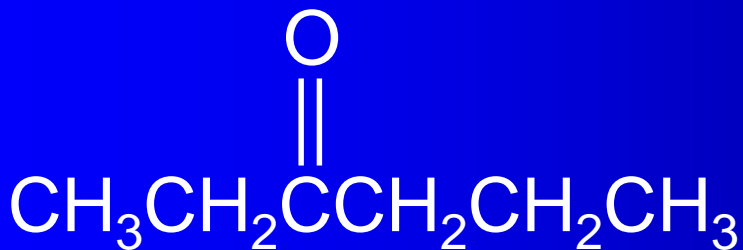
# IUPAC Nomenclature of Ketones



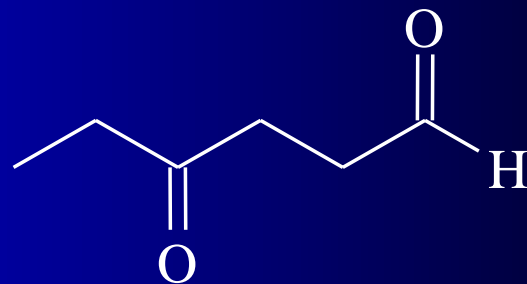
3-hexanone



4-methyl-2-pentanone

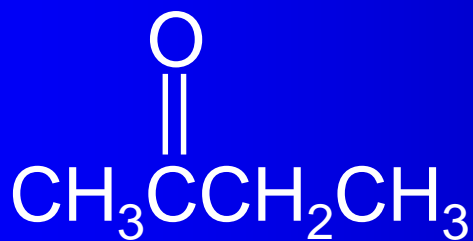


ethyl propyl ketone (trivial)

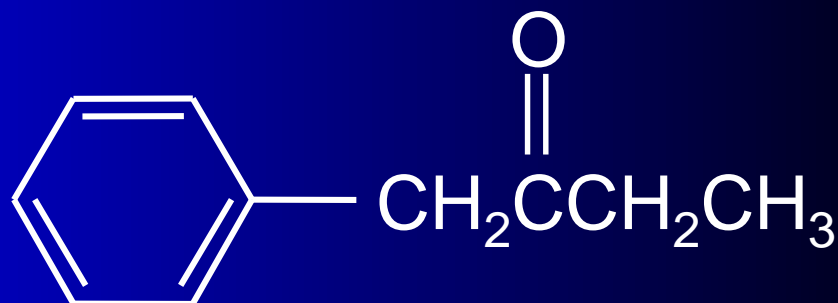


4-oxohexanal

# Trivial Nomenclature of Ketones



Methyl ethyl ketone



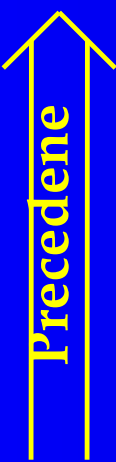
benzyl ethyl ketone



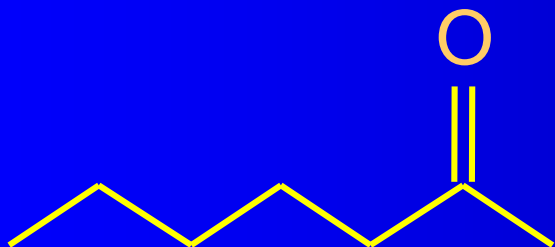
divinyl ketone

# Order of Precedence (Pecking order)

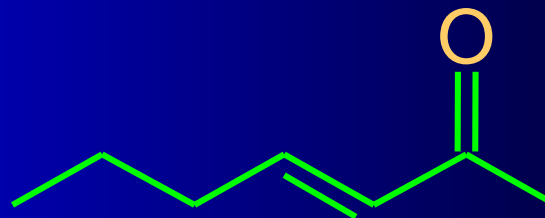
- For compounds that contain more than one functional group indicated by a suffix

	Functional Group	Suffix if Higher in Precedence	Prefix if Lower in Precedence
	$-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	-oic acid	_____
	$-\text{CHO}$	-al	oxo-
	$\begin{array}{l} \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} \text{C}=\text{O}$	-one	oxo-
	$-\text{OH}$	-ol	hydroxy-
	$-\text{NH}_2$	-amine	amino-
	$-\text{SH}$	-thiol	mercapto-

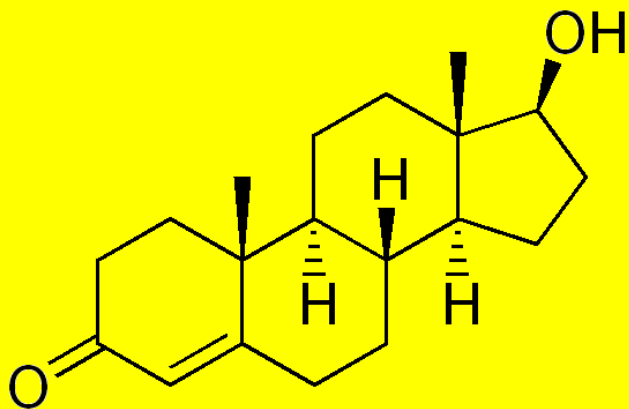
# Many aldehydes and ketones occur naturally



2-heptanone  
(component of alarm  
pheromone of bees)



*trans*-2-hexenal  
(alarm pheromone  
of myrmicine ant)



Testosterone

# Wild Kopi Luwak, the World's Most Exclusive Coffee



\$416/pound on Amazon



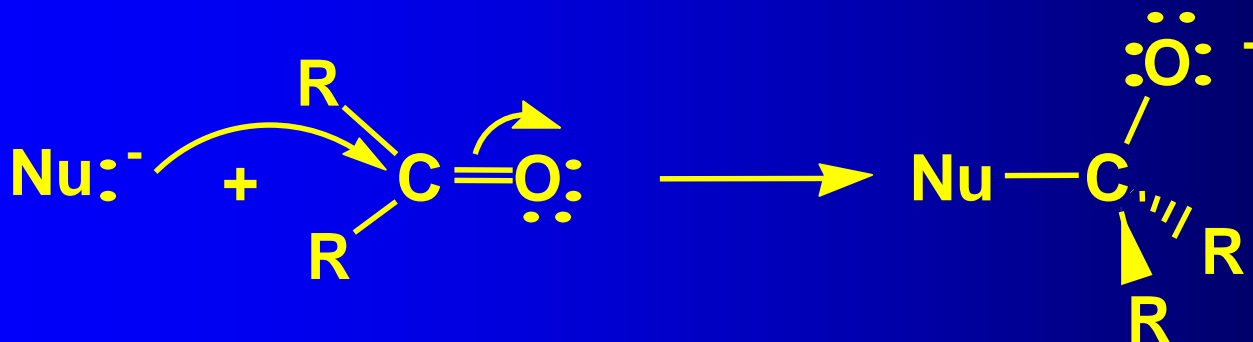
# Synthesis of Aldehydes and Ketones

A number of reactions already studied provide efficient synthetic routes to aldehydes and ketones.

- from alkenes
  - by ozonolysis (p271)
- from alkynes
  - by hydration (via enol)
- from arenes
  - via Friedel-Crafts acylation

# Reaction Theme

- The most common reaction of a carbonyl group is addition of a nucleophile to form a tetrahedral addition compound



Here it is an acid or electrophile

Tetrahedral carbonyl  
addition compound

# Carbon Nucleophiles

- Addition of carbon nucleophiles is one of the most important types of nucleophilic additions to a C=O group; a new carbon-carbon bond is formed in the process!!!!

<b>RMgX</b>	<b>RLi</b>	<b>RC≡C:<sup>-</sup></b>	<b><sup>-</sup>:C≡N:</b>
A Grignard reagent	An organolithium reagent	An anion of a terminal alkyne	Cyanide ion

- We will study the addition of these carbon nucleophiles

# Victor Grignard



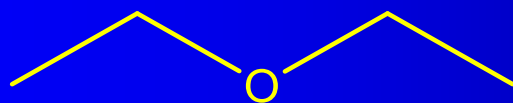
**Shared Nobel  
Prize with  
Sabatier in 1912**

**“student” of  
Philippe Barbier**

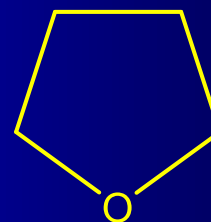
# Grignard Reagents

- Given the difference in electronegativity between carbon and magnesium, the C-Mg bond is polar covalent, with C  $\delta^-$  and Mg  $\delta^+$ 
  - Grignard reagents behave like a carbanions
- Carbanion: an anion in which carbon has an unshared pair of electrons and bears a negative charge
  - a carbanions are good nucleophiles and add efficiently to the carbonyl group of aldehydes and ketones

# Grignard Reagents



Diethyl ether  
 $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$



Tetrahydrofuran  
THF

# Crystal Structure of $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{MgBr}$

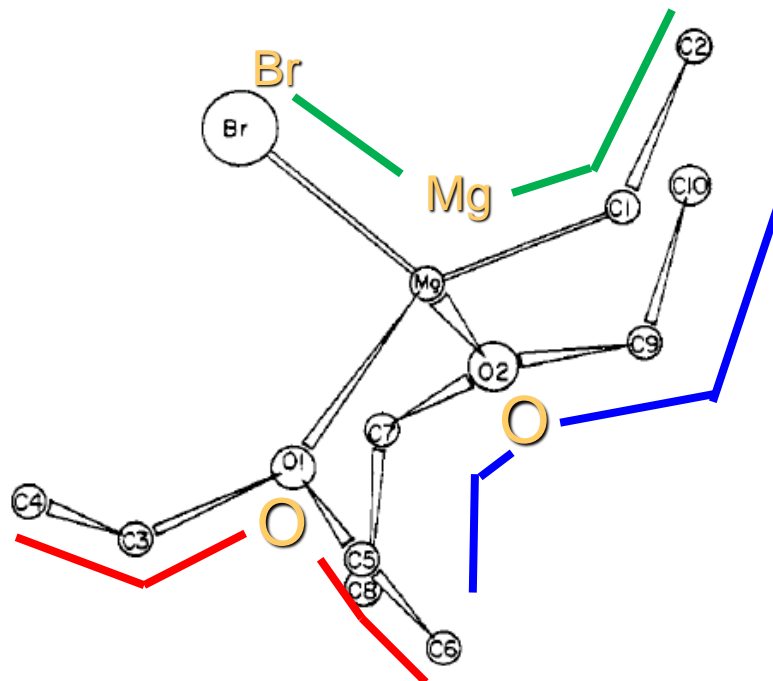
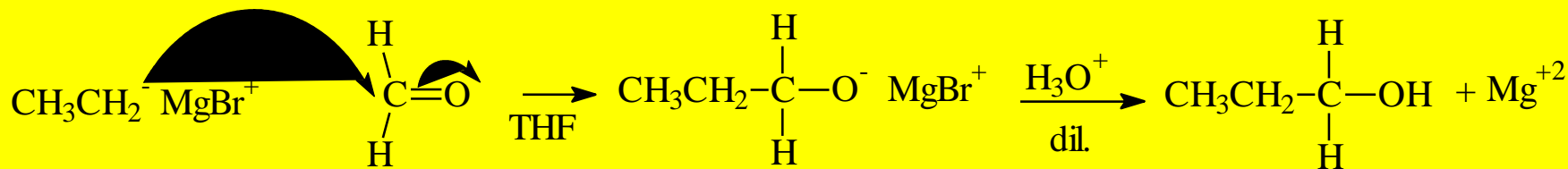


Figure 1. Configuration of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{MgBr} \cdot 2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5)_2\text{O}$ .

L.J. Guggenberger and R.E. Randle, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.* 90(20) 5357 (1968)

# Grignard Reagents

- Addition of a Grignard reagent to formaldehyde followed by  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  gives a  $1^\circ$  alcohol

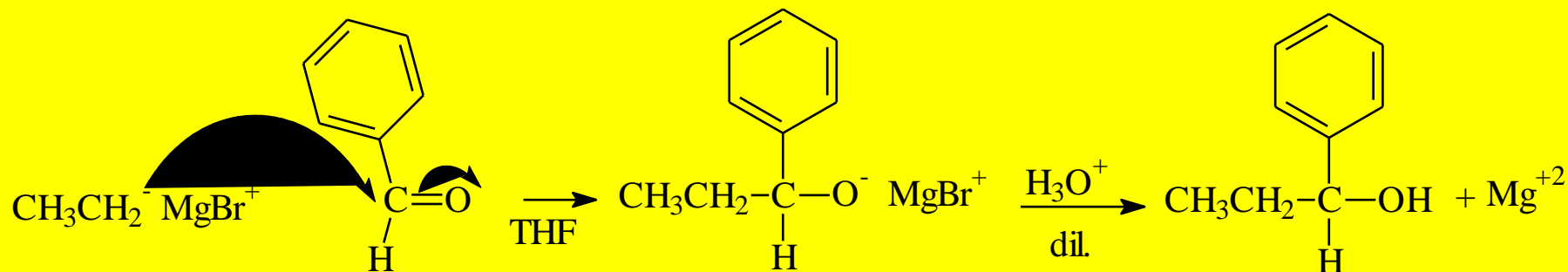


- This sequence (mechanism) is general and important!



# Grignard Reagents

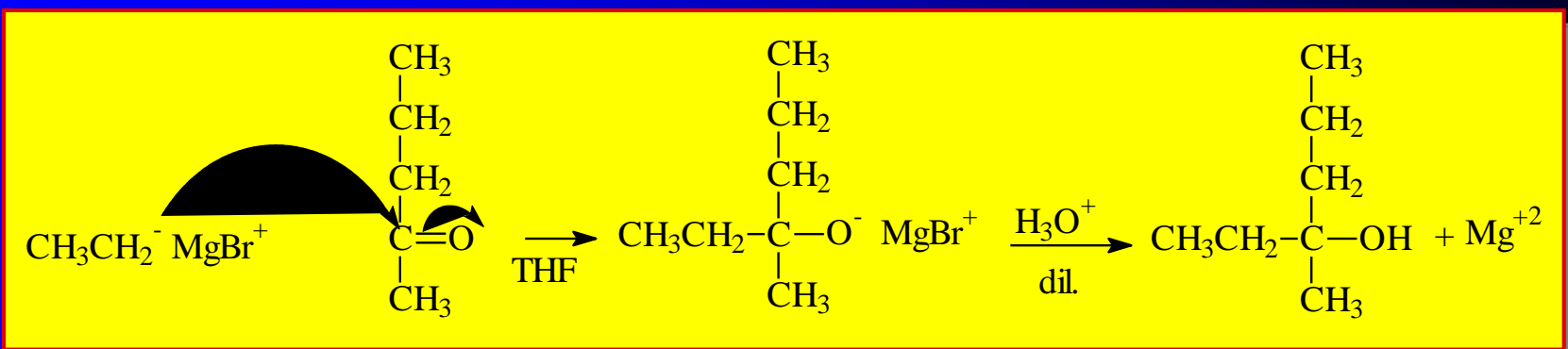
- Addition to any other RCHO gives a 2° alcohol



- You may change decorations at will...read pages 567-573
  - but, be careful of acidic functions like -OH

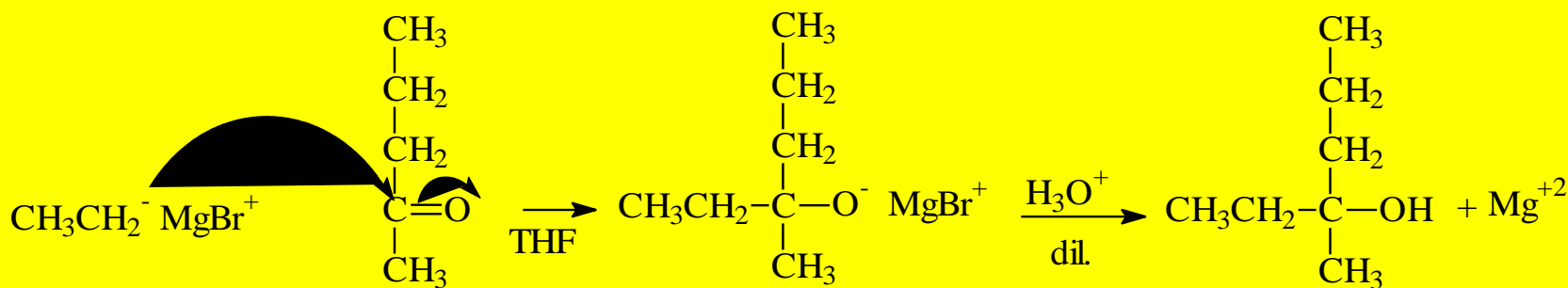
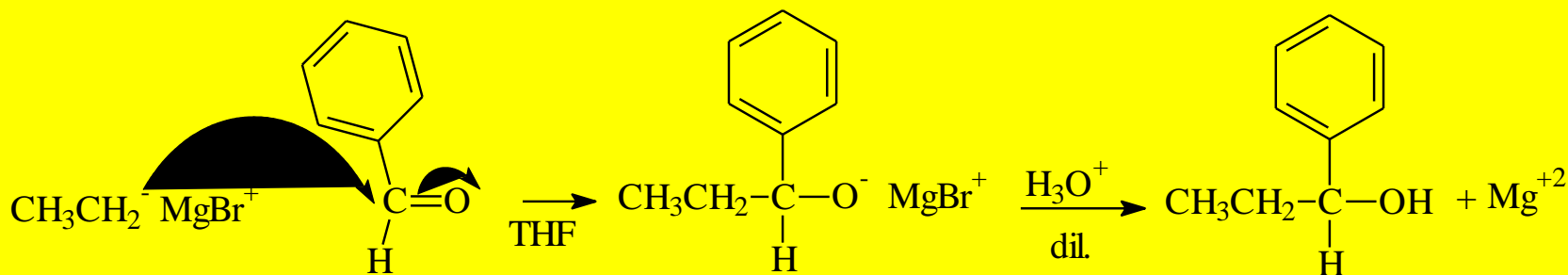
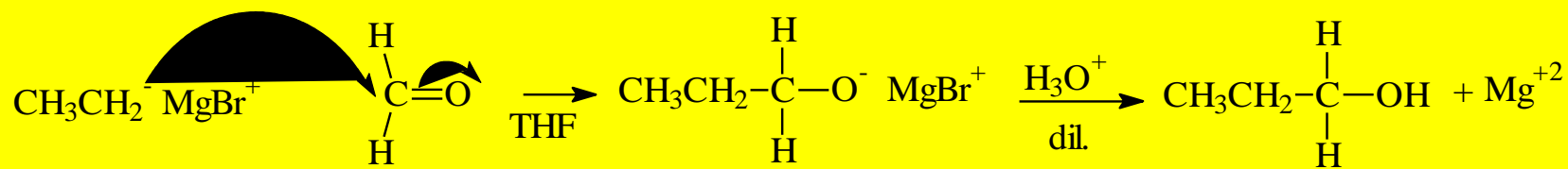
# Grignard Reagents

- Addition to a ketone gives a 3° alcohol

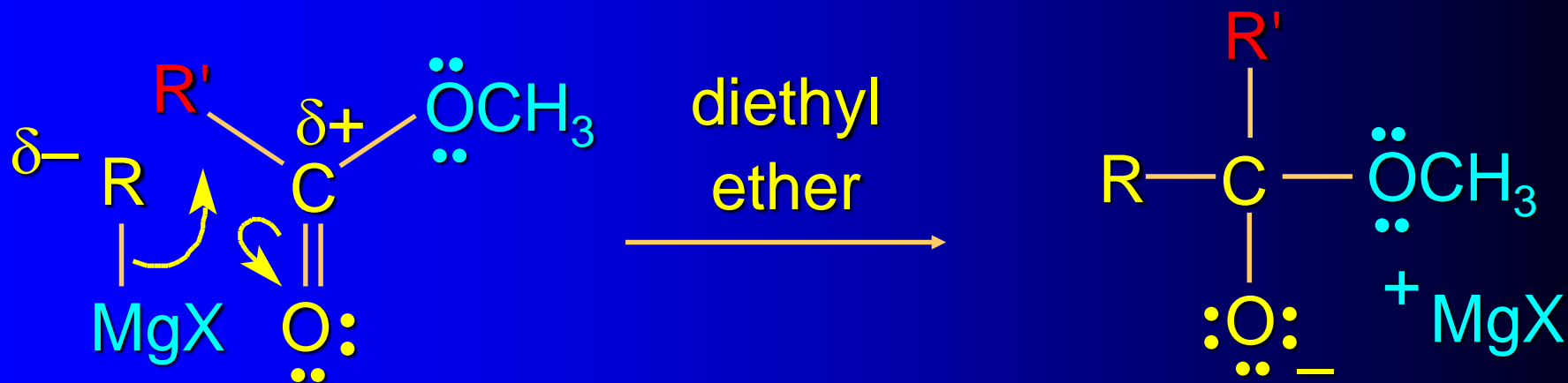


- Please try this with other Grignard reagents and other ketones

# Grignard Reactions

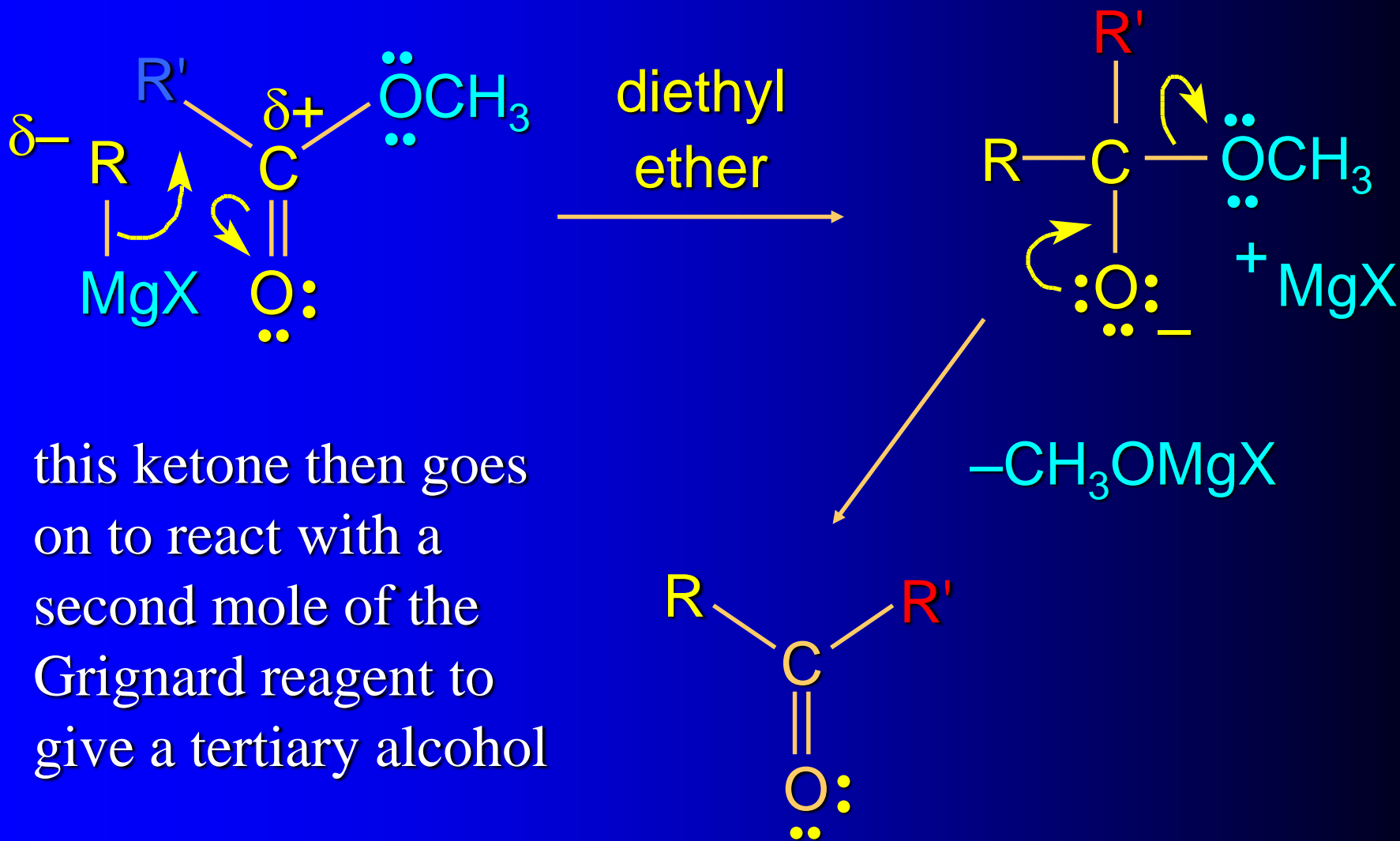


# Grignard reagents also react with esters



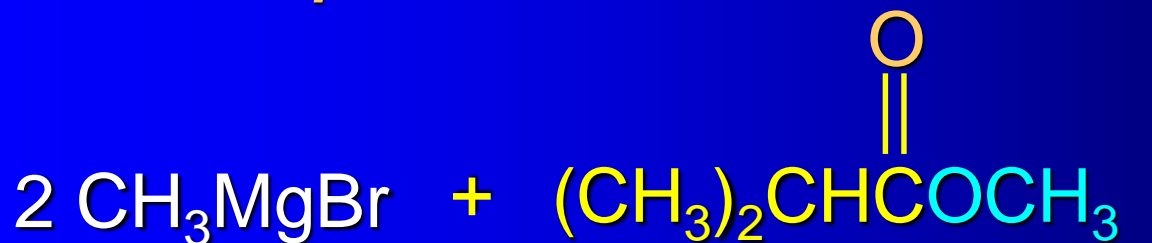
but species formed is  
unstable and dissociates  
under the reaction  
conditions to form a ketone

# Grignard reagents react with esters



this ketone then goes on to react with a second mole of the Grignard reagent to give a tertiary alcohol

## Example



1. diethyl ether

2.  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$



(73%)

Two of the groups attached to the tertiary carbon come from the Grignard reagent

# Grignard reagents react with:

formaldehyde to give primary alcohols

aldehydes to give secondary alcohols

ketones to give tertiary alcohols

esters to give tertiary alcohols

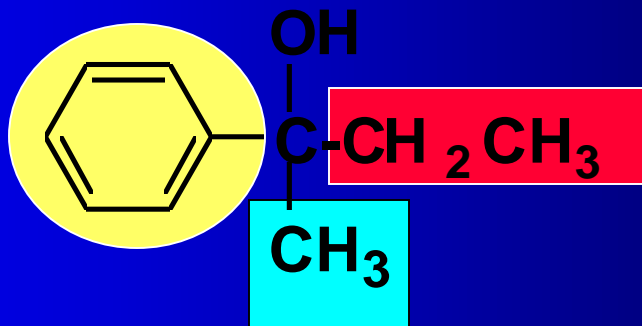
$\text{CO}_2$  to give acids



epoxides give primary alcohols

# Grignard Reagents

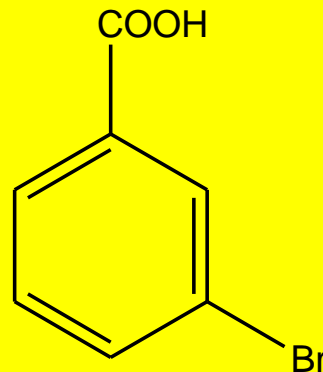
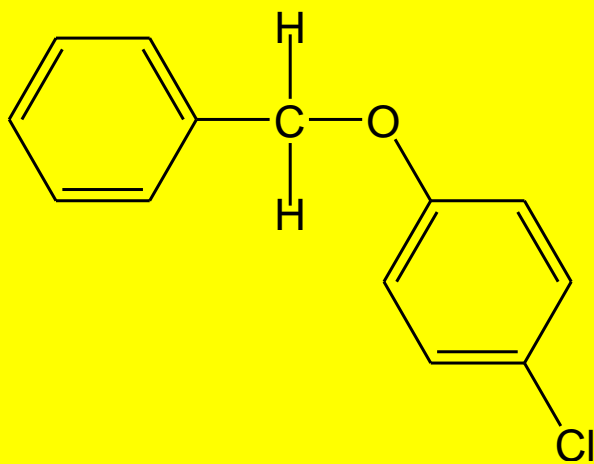
- **Problem:** 2-phenyl-2-butanol can be synthesized by three different combinations of a Grignard reagent and a ketone. Show each combination



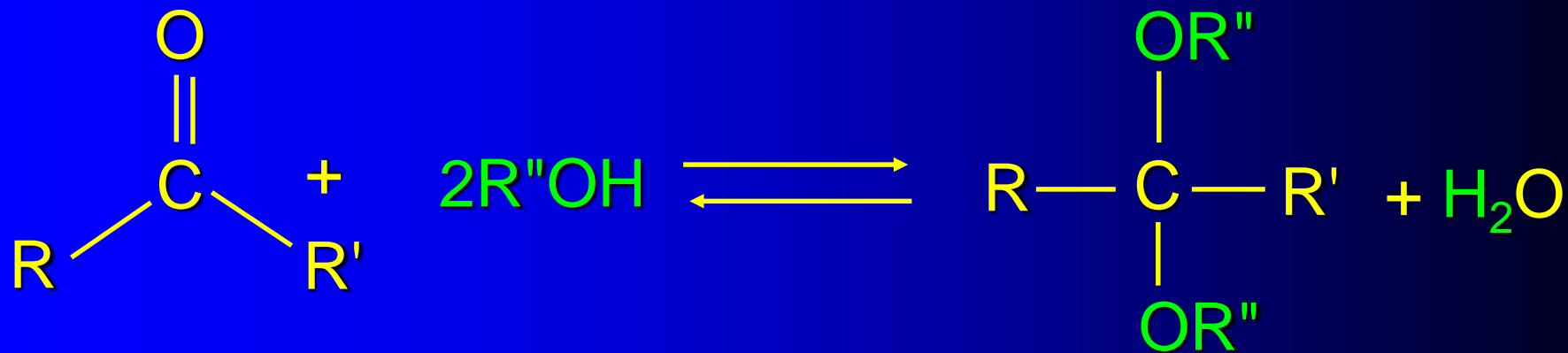


# Practice Problem

1. Starting from benzene, write a synthetic path to the structures below. You are free to use any reagents or reactants you choose, but you must start with benzene.



# Oxygen Nucleophiles

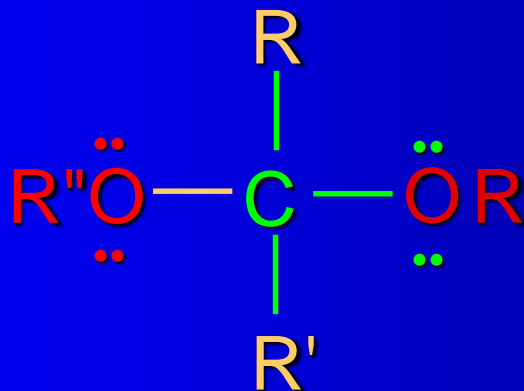


*Alcohols React with Aldehydes and Ketones in two steps...first*

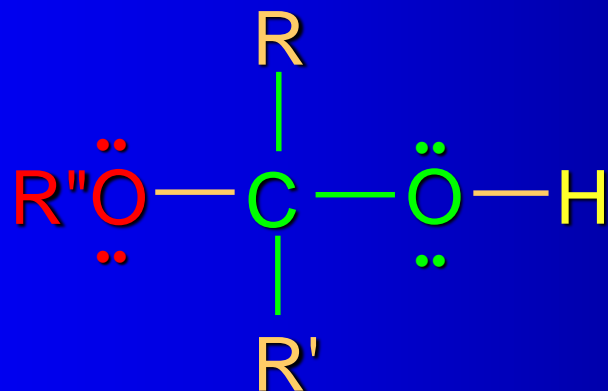
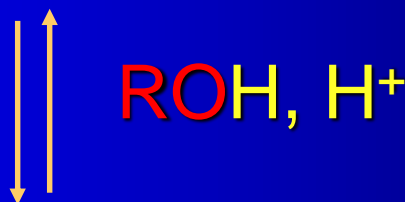


Product is called  
*a hemiacetal.*

*Hemiacetal reacts further in acid to yield an acetal*

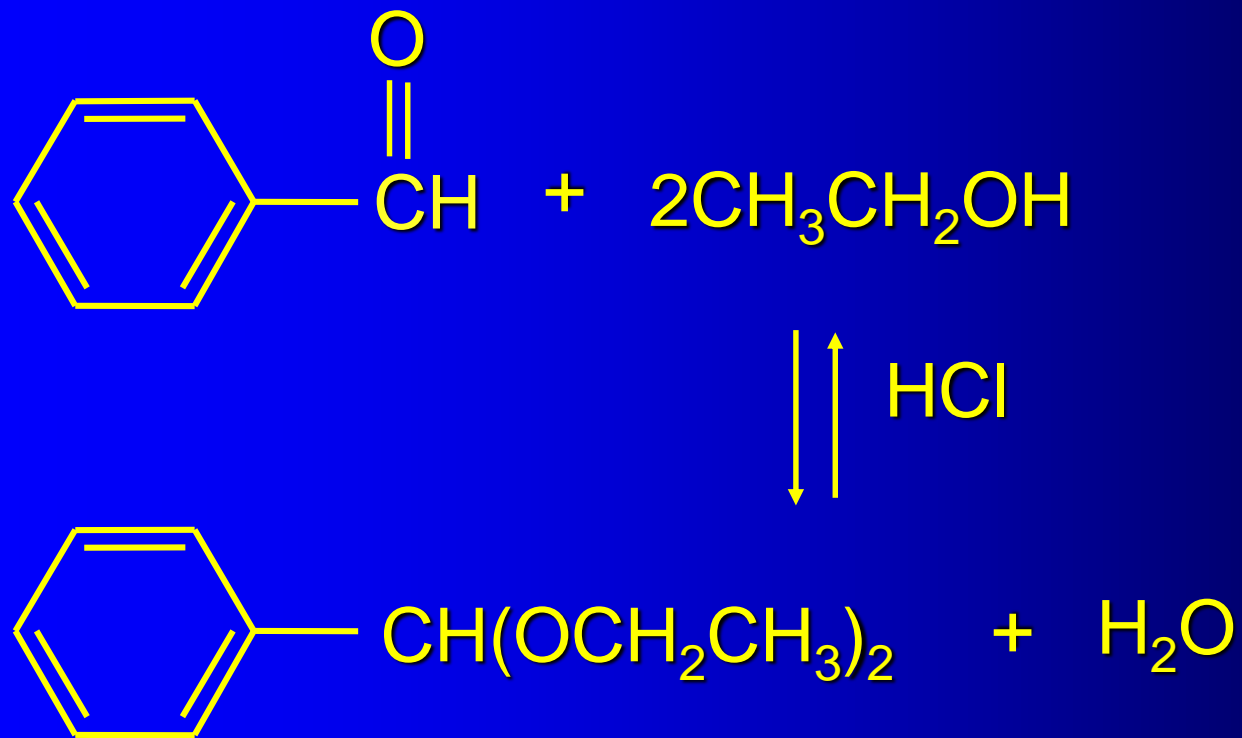


This product is called an *acetal*.



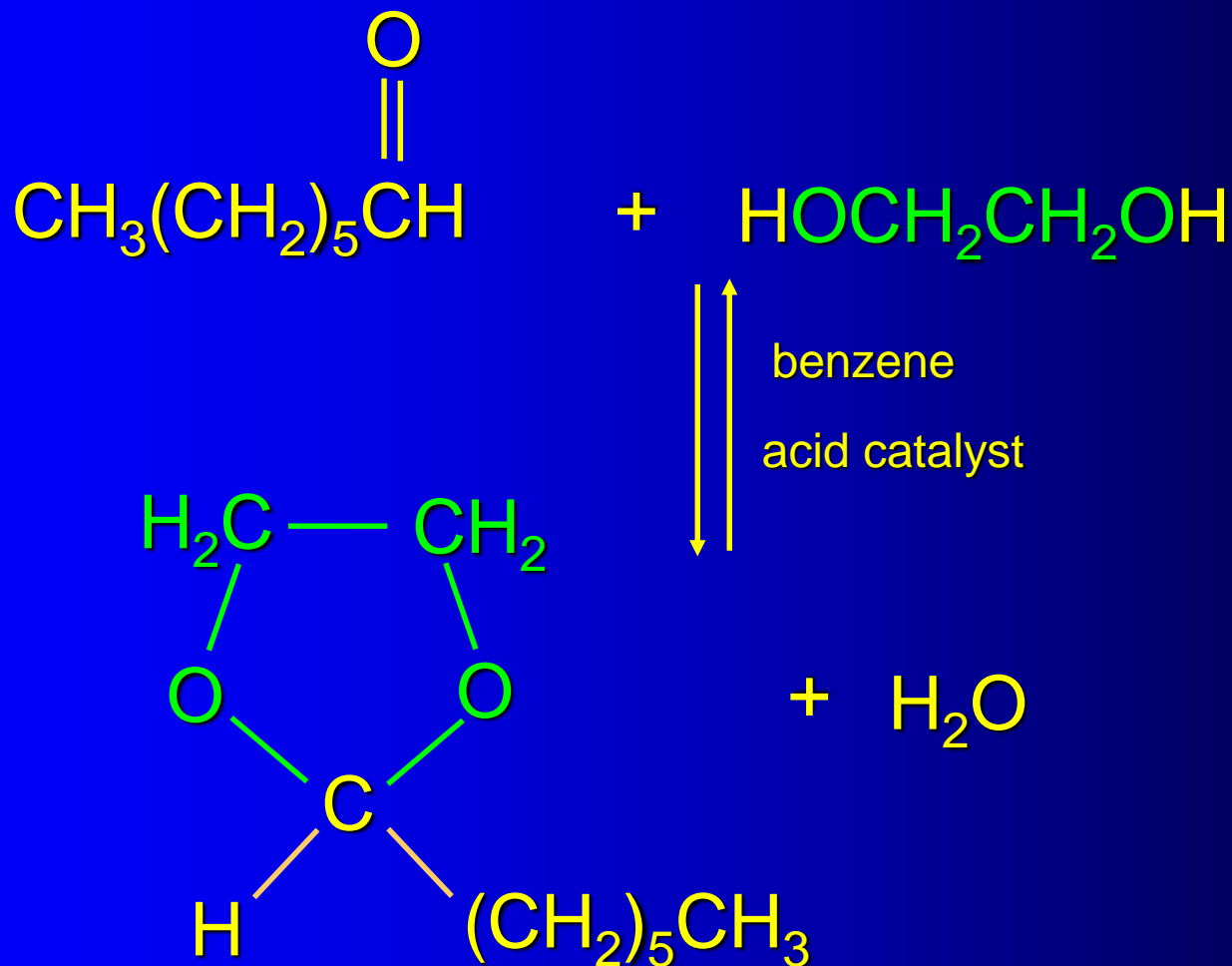
This *hemiacetal* reacts further.

## Example

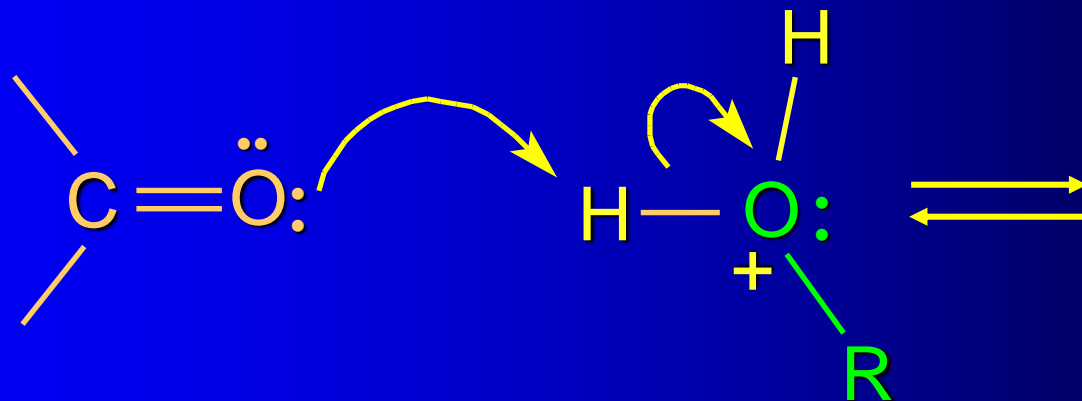
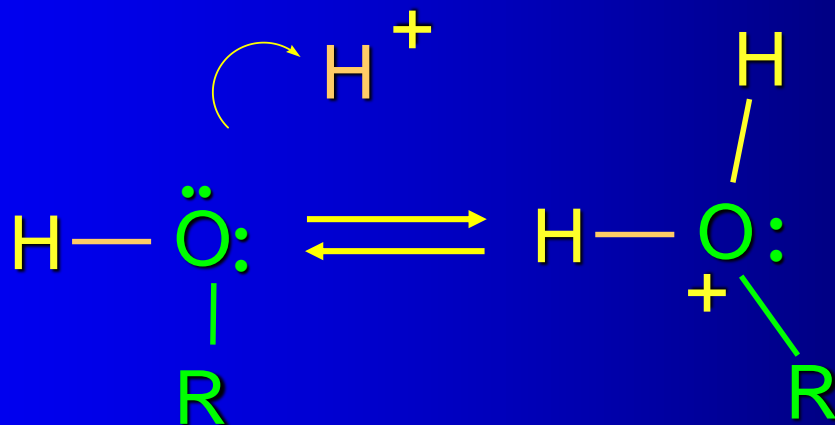


Benzaldehyde diethyl acetal

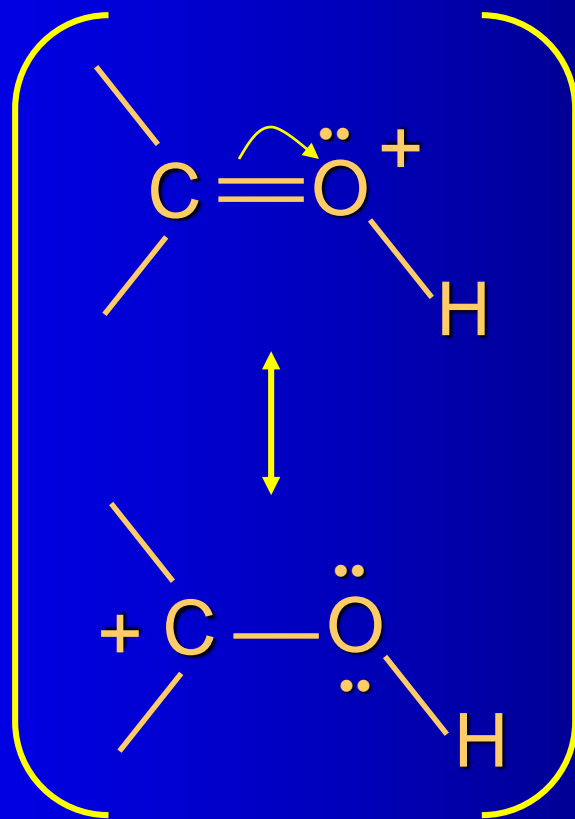
# Diols Form Cyclic Acetals



# Mechanism of Acetal Formation



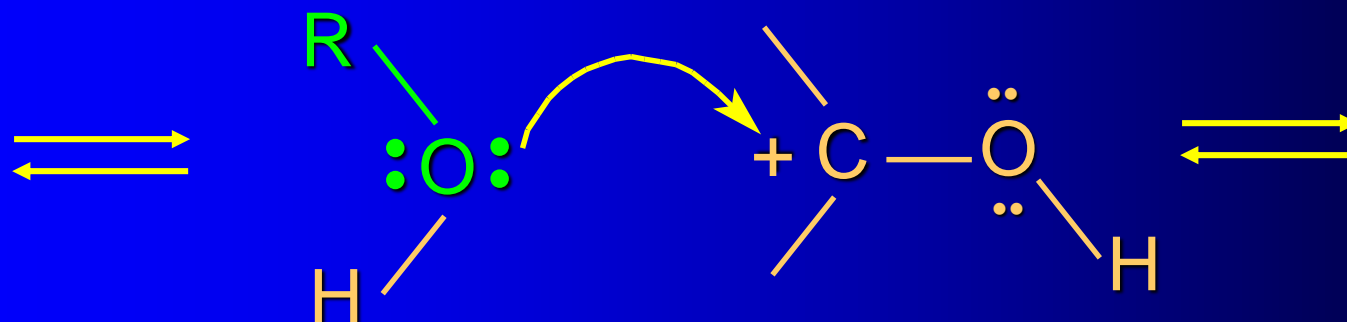
# Mechanism



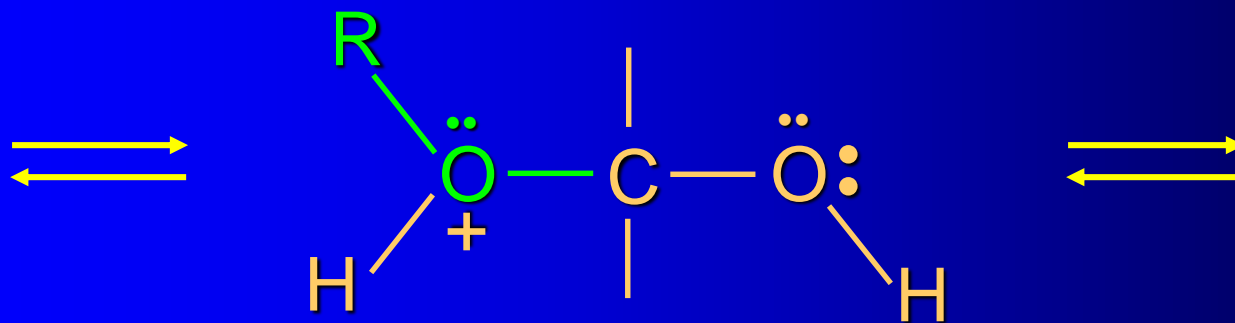
Resonance stabilized cation



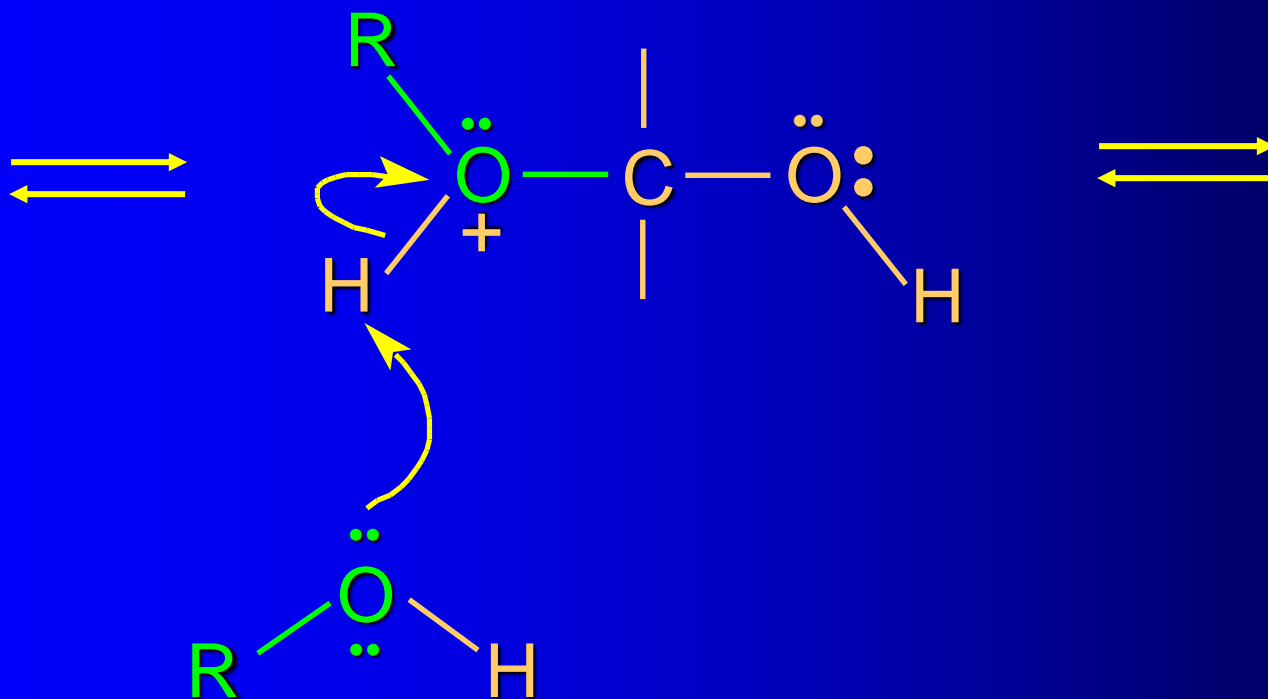
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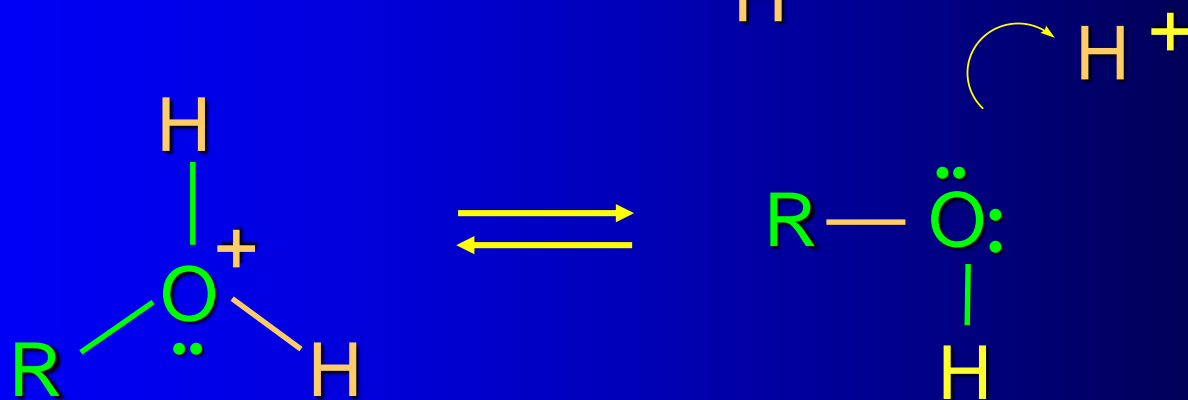
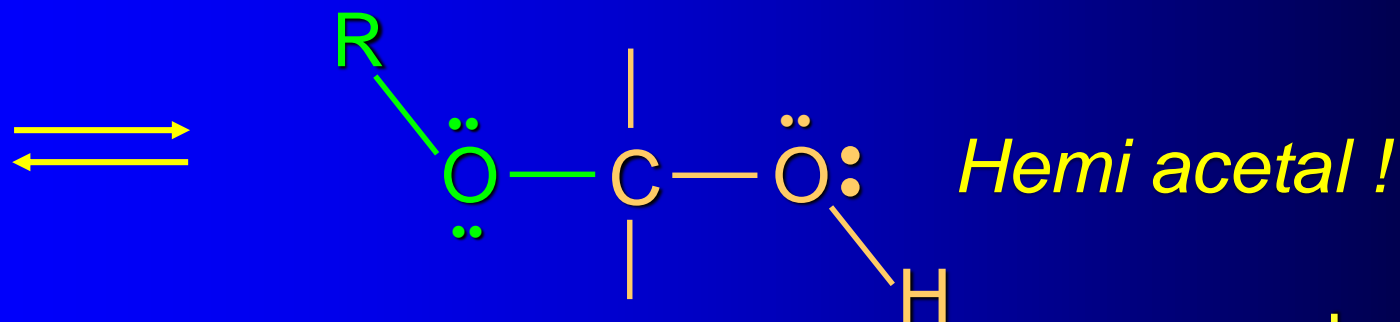
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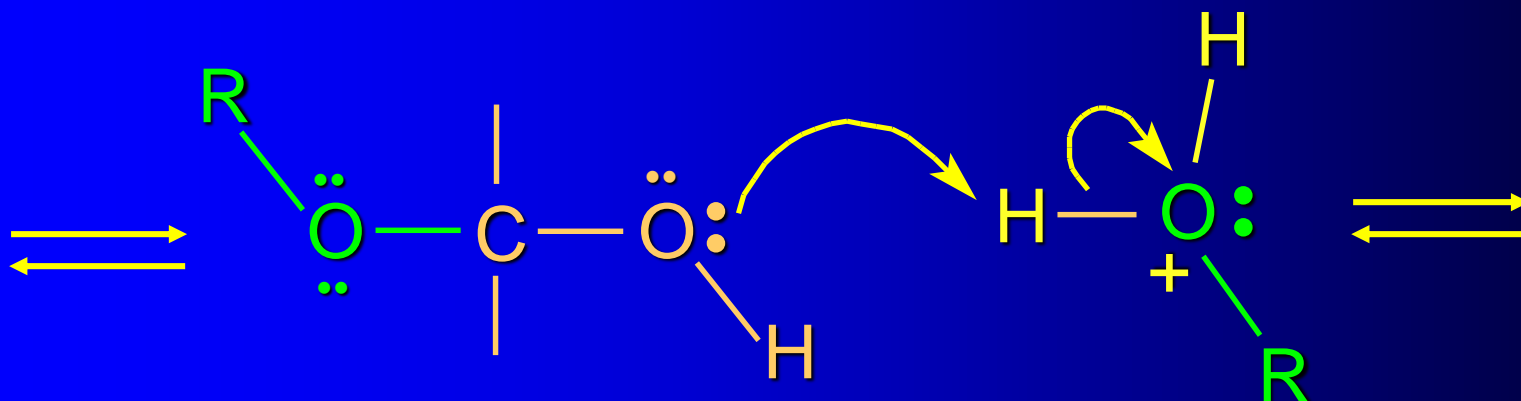


# *Mechanism of Acetal Formation*

Second stage is hemiacetal-to-acetal conversion

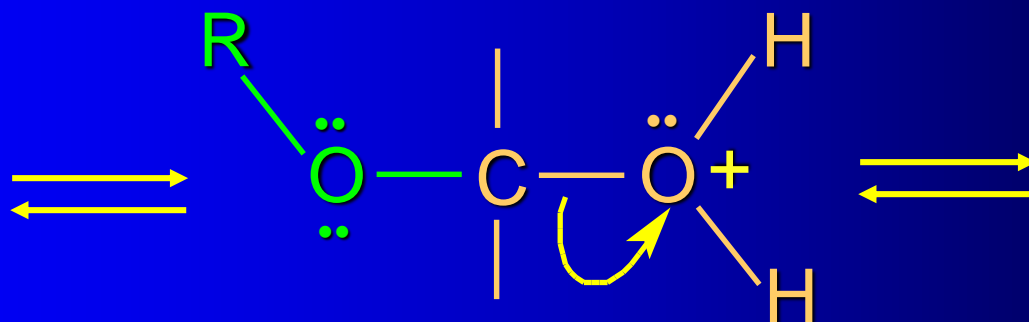
involves carbocation chemistry

## *Hemiacetal-to-acetal Stage*

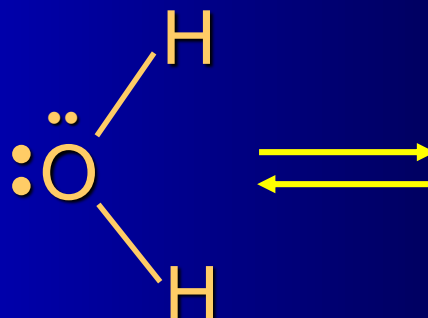
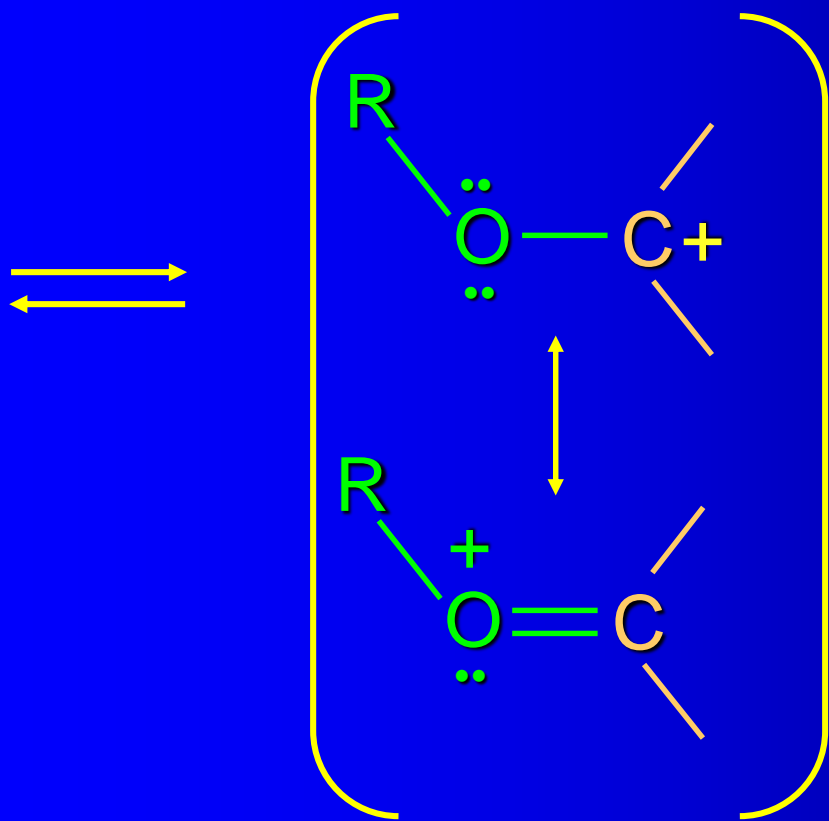


These are not separate reactions...  
this is all one big equilibrium

# Hemiacetal-to-acetal Stage



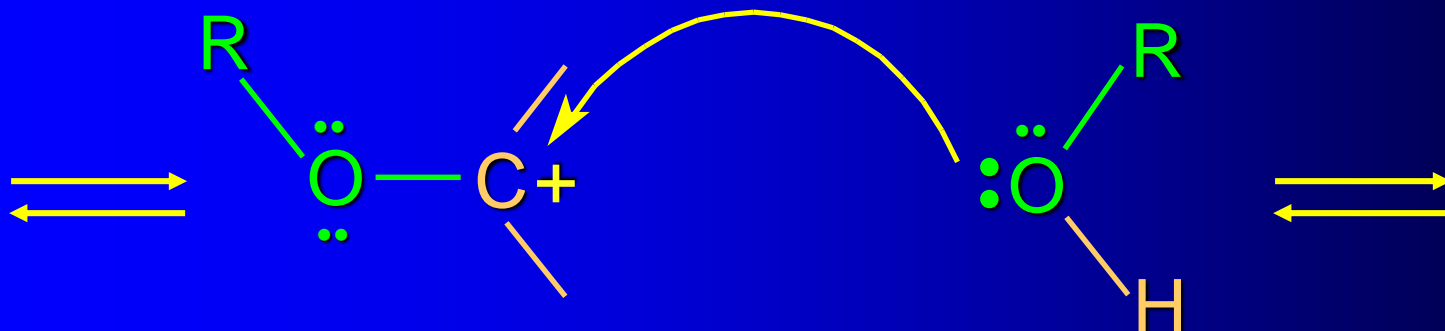
# Hemiacetal-to-acetal Stage



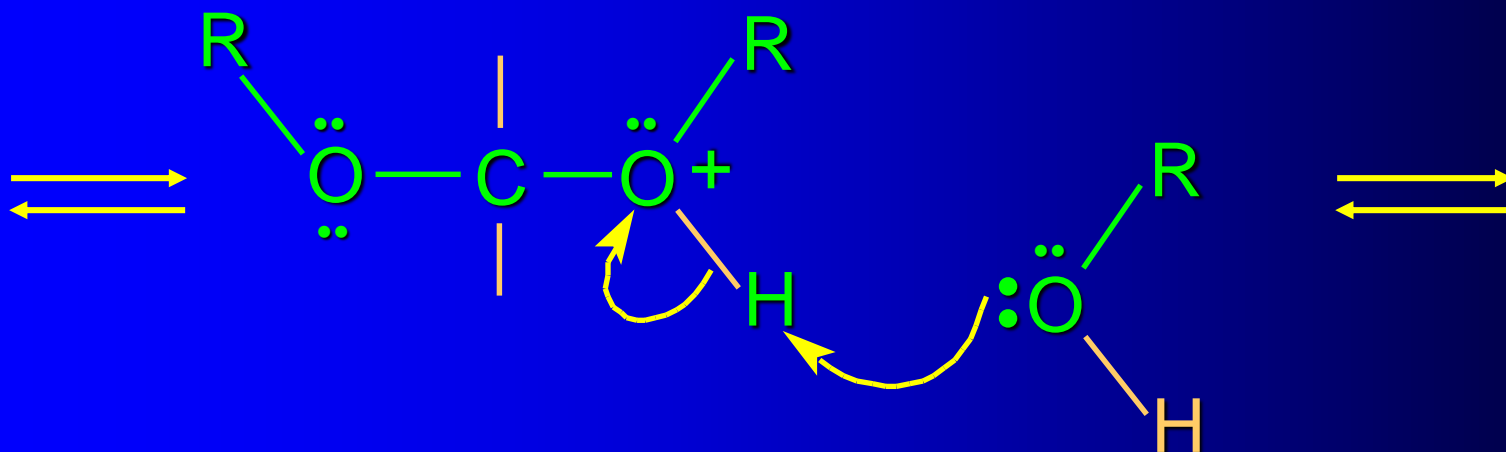
Here is the water!



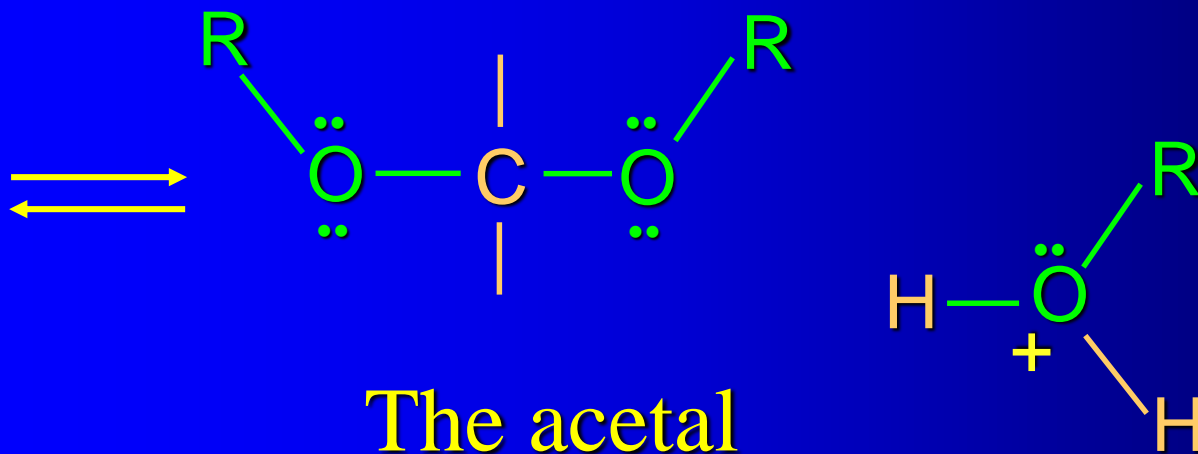
# *Hemiacetal-to-acetal Stage*



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## *Hemiacetal-to-acetal Stage*



The acetal

Regeneration of catalyst

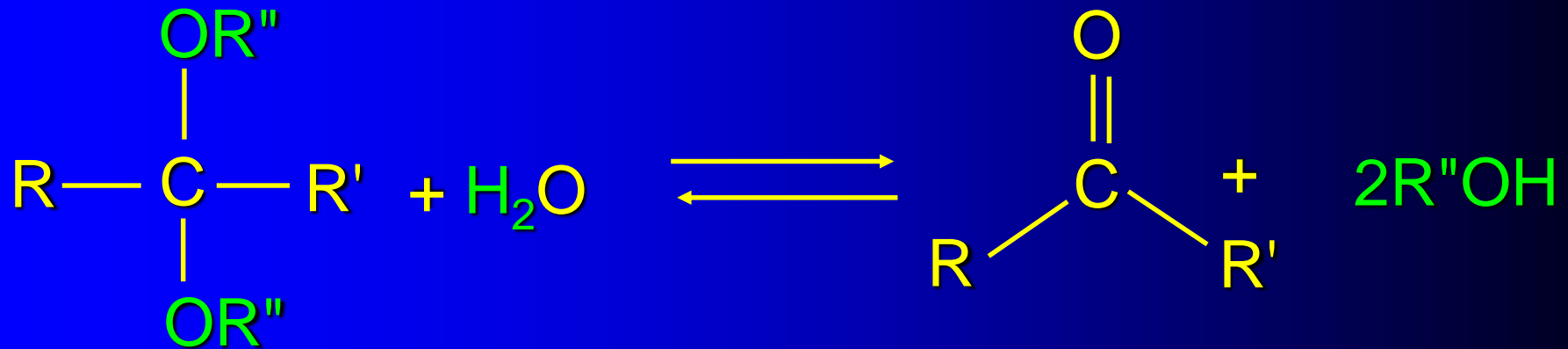
Note that **EVERY** step is an equilibrium

Therefore, the reaction can be pushed forward or backward by appropriate choice of conditions

The forward reaction is synthesis

The backward reaction is hydrolysis

# Hydrolysis of Acetals



*mechanism:*

reverse of acetal formation ...hemiacetal is intermediate.

*application:*

aldehydes and ketones can be "protected" as acetals.