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Reductions and Reactions with Hydride  
Sections 16.5 - 16.7

Next Class

Reactions with Nitrogen Nucleophiles  
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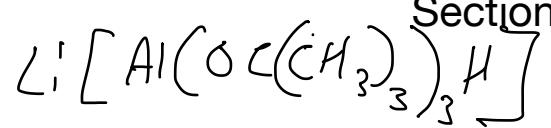
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Protecting Groups  
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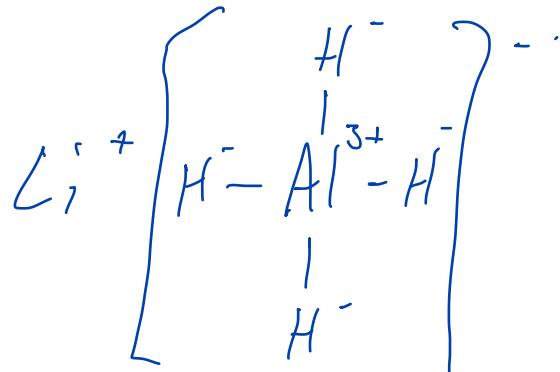
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## Reactions with Hydrogen Nucleophiles

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lithium aluminum hydride

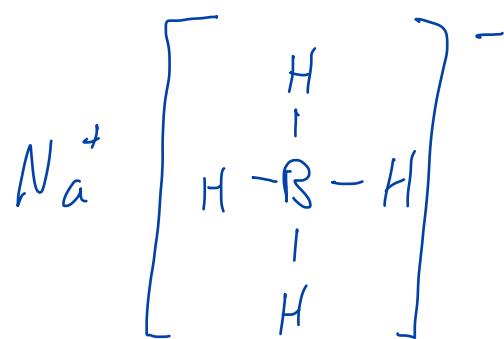


*extremely  
reactive*

*strongest*



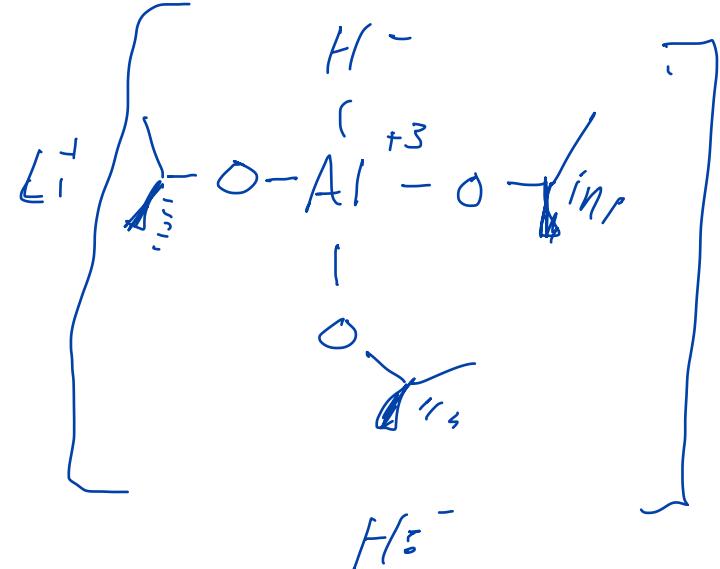
sodium borohydride



*reactive but  
not as reactive  
as LAH*



lithium tri-tertbutyloxyaluminum hydride



*alcoxides  
lower the  
reactivity  
of the H:- donor  
mildest*



lithium aluminum hydride

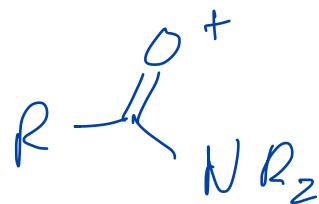
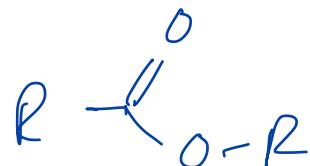


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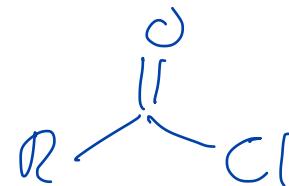
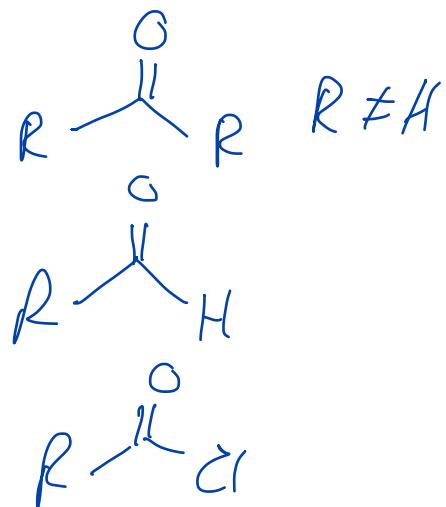
lithium tri-tertbutyloxylaluminum hydride

Fully reduces esters,  
carboxylic acids,  
and amides to  
alcohols and amines



*needs*  
 $\text{LAH}$

Fully reduces  
ketones,  
aldehydes, and  
acid chlorides  
to alcohols

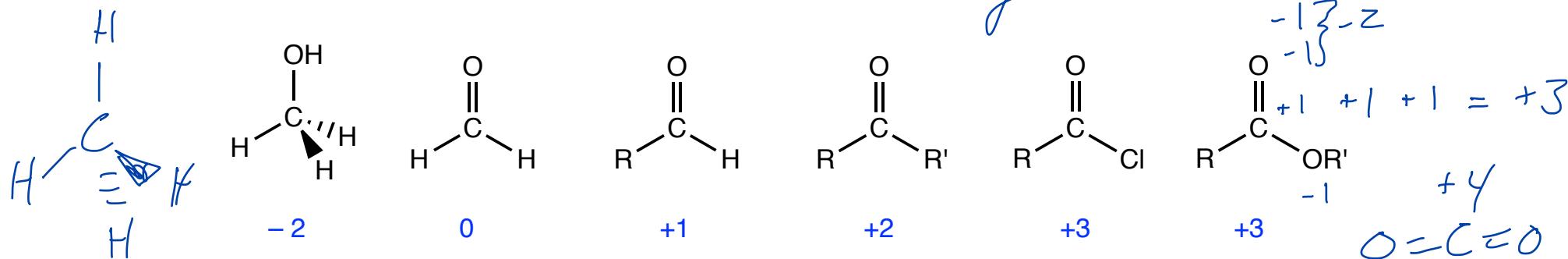


Reduces acid  
chlorides to  
aldehydes

## Oxidation-Reduction Reactions

oil rig gaining  $e^-$  reduction  
losing  $e^-$  oxidation

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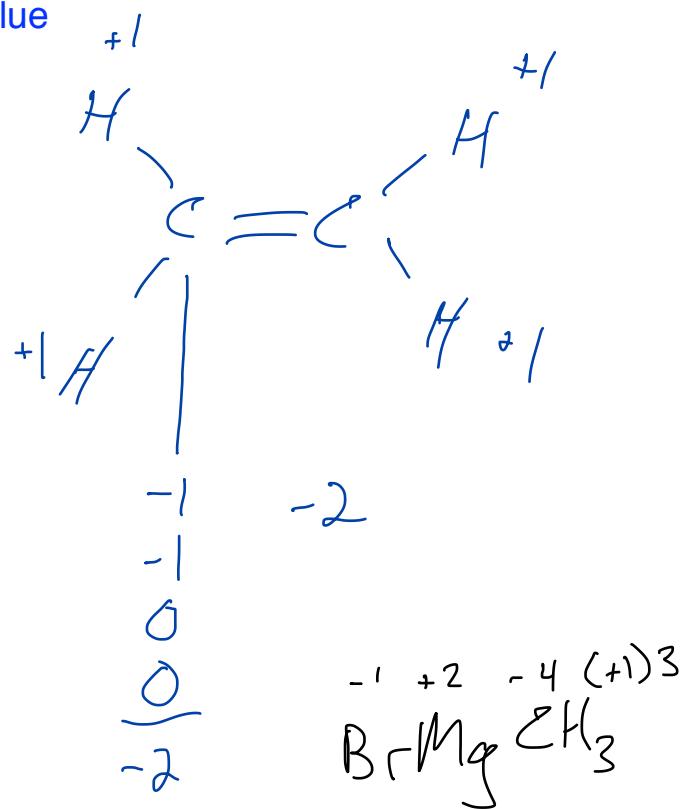
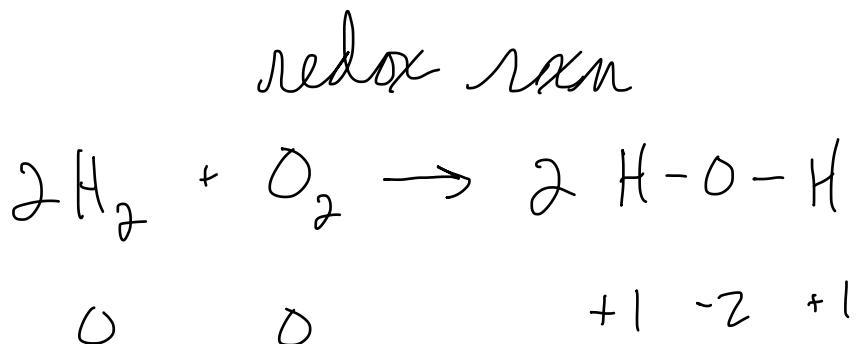
oxidation number for the C atoms in blue

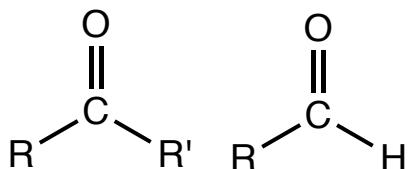
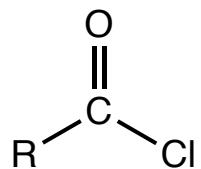
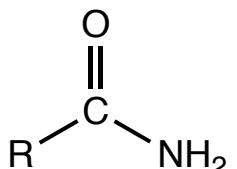
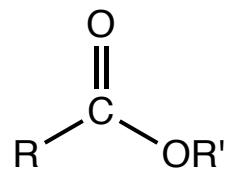
For each bond, assign

- 1 to the more electronegative atom and
- +1 to the less electronegative atom
- 0 if the electronegativities are the same

For each atom sum the assigned charges.

That **number** is the oxidation number for the atom.



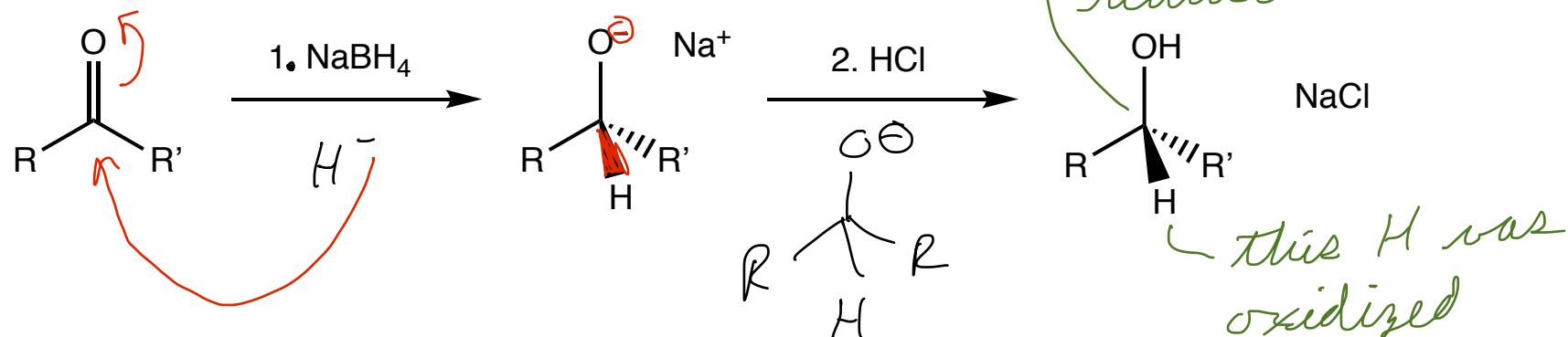


each molecule has  
a LG on it

no LG on  
aldehyde or  
ketone

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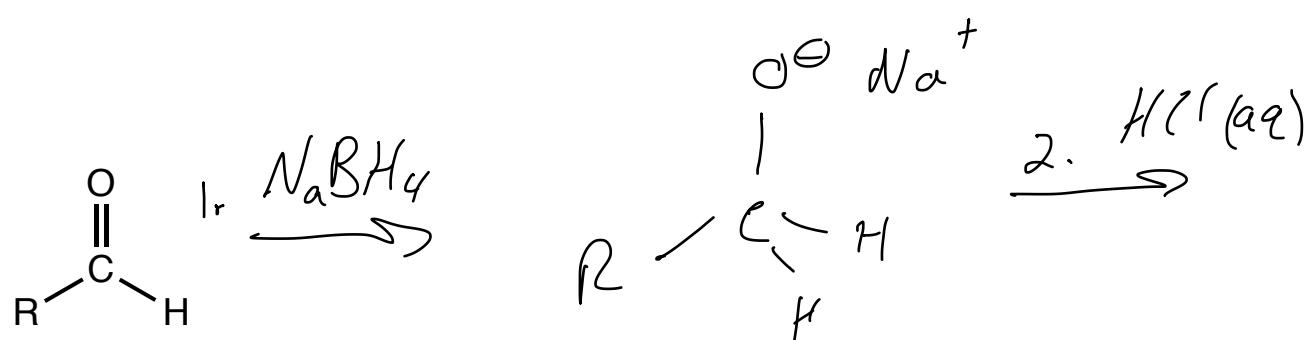
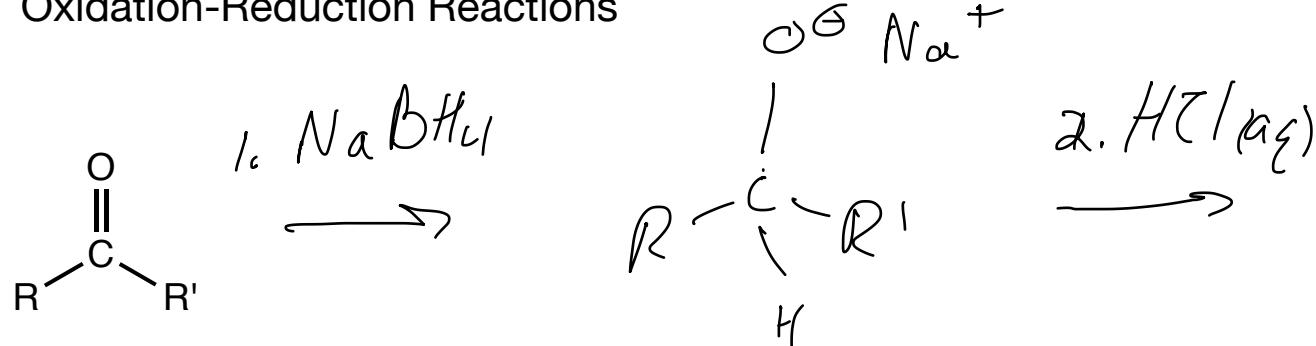
this C has been  
reduced  
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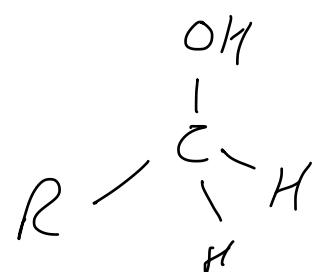
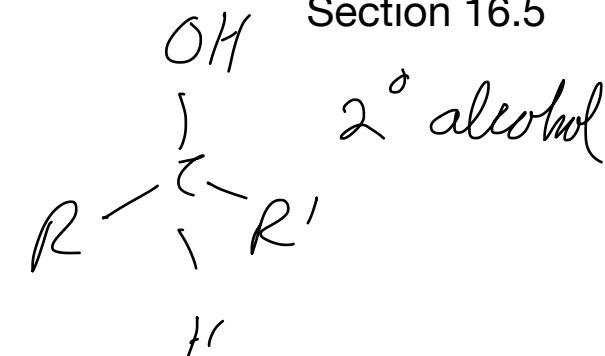
The  $\text{e}^-$  rich  $\text{H}^-$  bonds with the carbonyl C and an alkoxide is formed.  
Add some dilute acid to convert alkoxide to an alcohol.

If  $\text{R} + \text{R}'$  are different the C atom will become a chirality center, but we have no control: both R + S will form

## Oxidation-Reduction Reactions



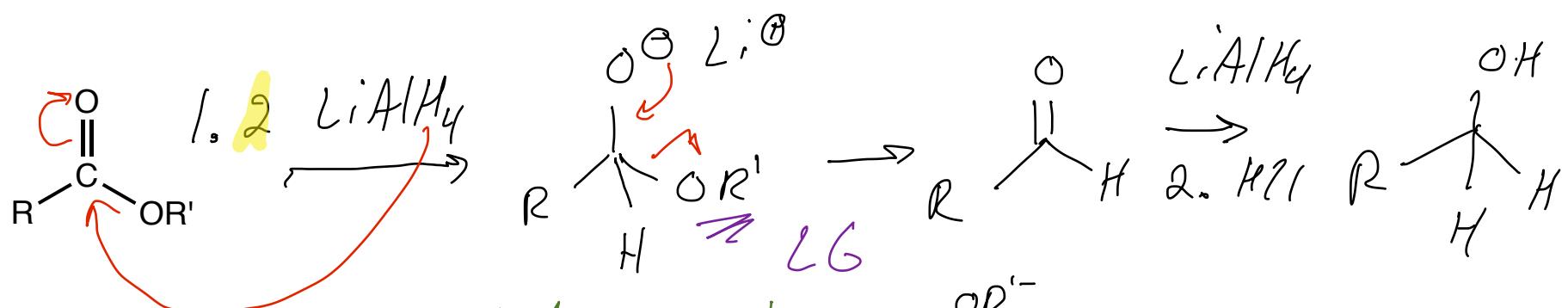
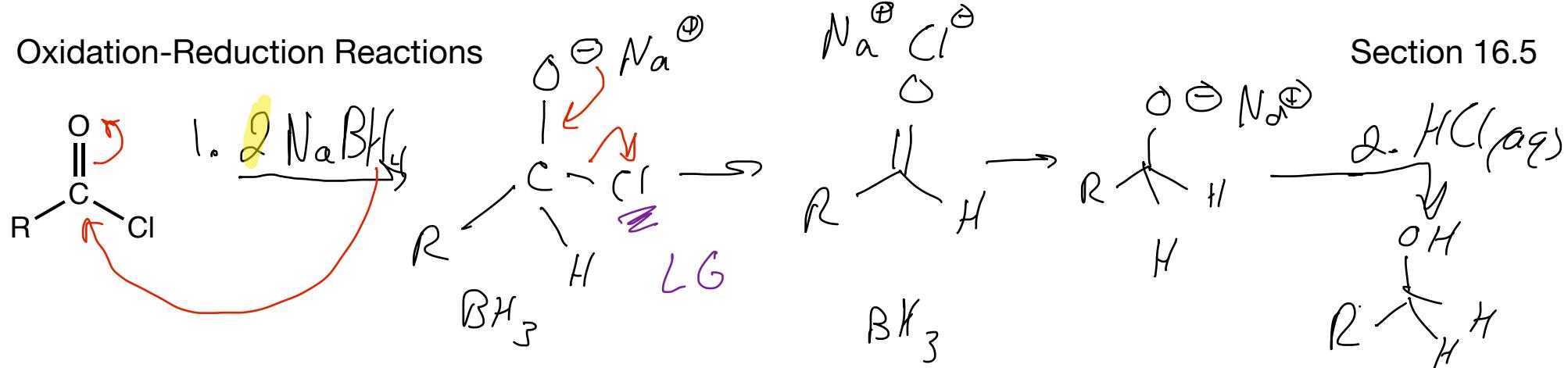
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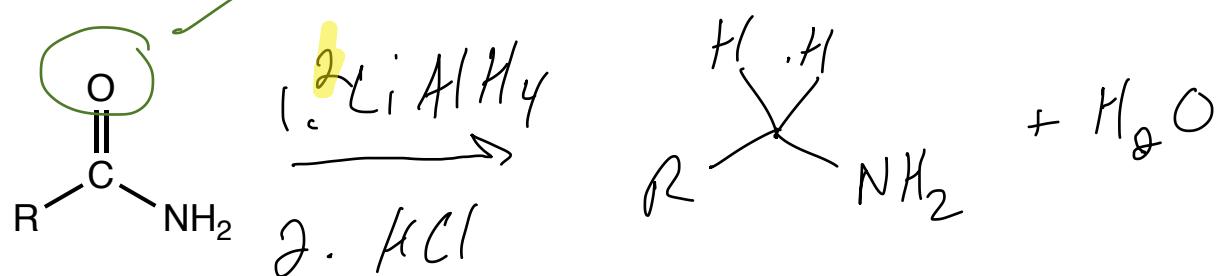
1° alcohol

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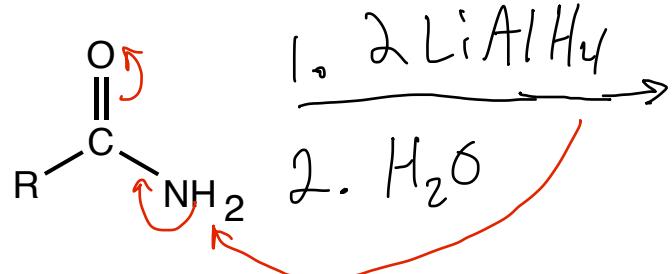
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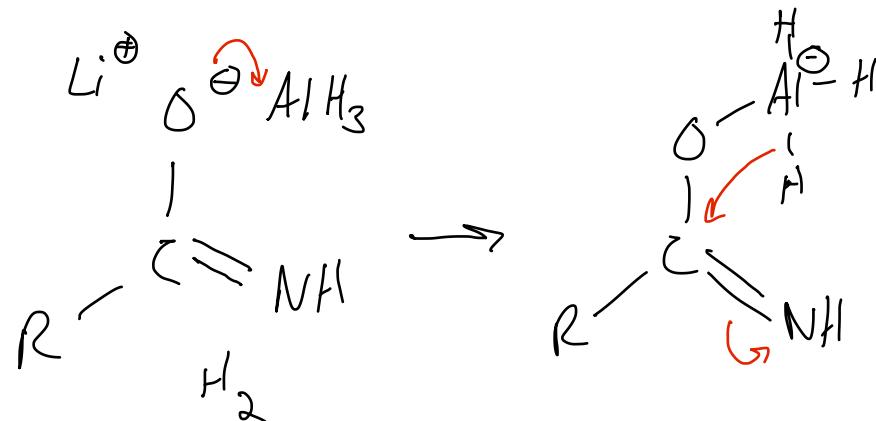
converted to a  $\text{LG}$



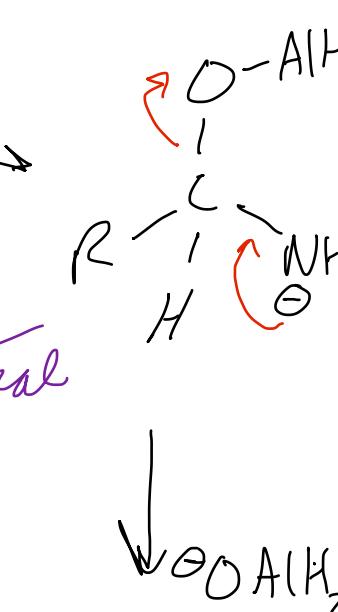
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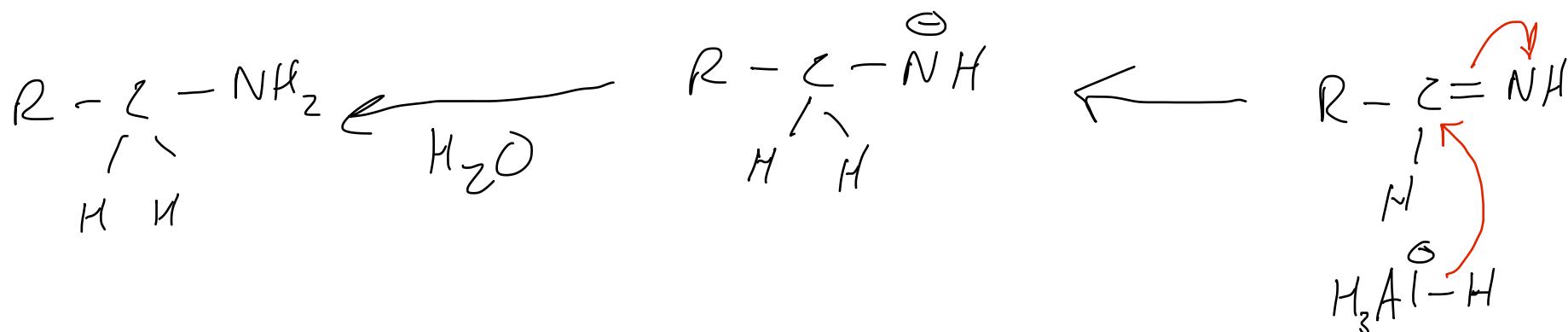
$\text{NH}_2$  is acidic enough  
for  $\text{AlH}_4^-$  to abstract  
a  $\text{H}^+$



unstable tetrahedral intermediate

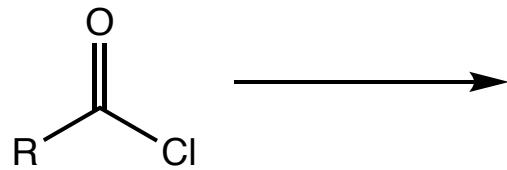


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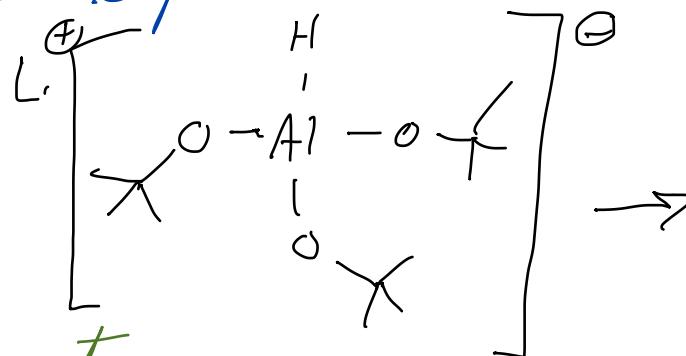


Oxidation-Reduction Reactions - Selective Reductions  
Stopping at an Aldehyde

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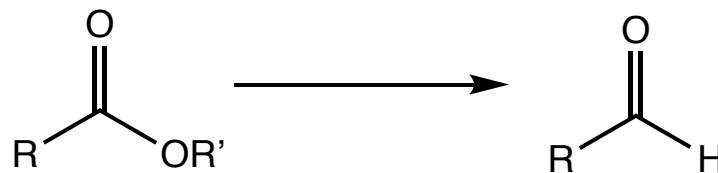
*Al is oxophilic*



extremely  
reactive

less reactive  
than acid chloride

strategy is to find an  $\text{H}^-$ -donor that is reactive enough to react with acid chloride but not the aldehyde



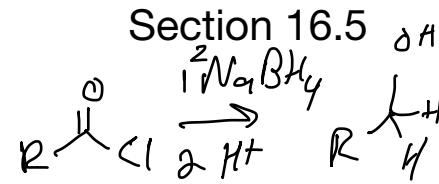
this is a new problem.

When the ester reacts and forms the aldehyde  
a more reactive molecule is made.

So a weaker reducing agent won't do the trick

lithium tri-t-butoxyaluminum hydride vs diisobutylaluminum hydride

$\text{LiAlH}_4$      $\text{NaBH}_4$

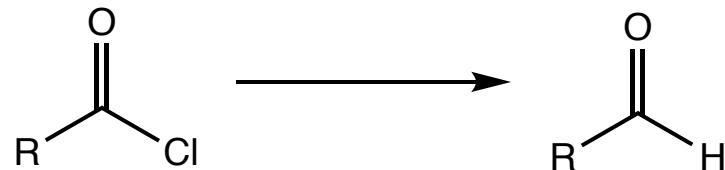


less  
reactive  
so rxn

stops here

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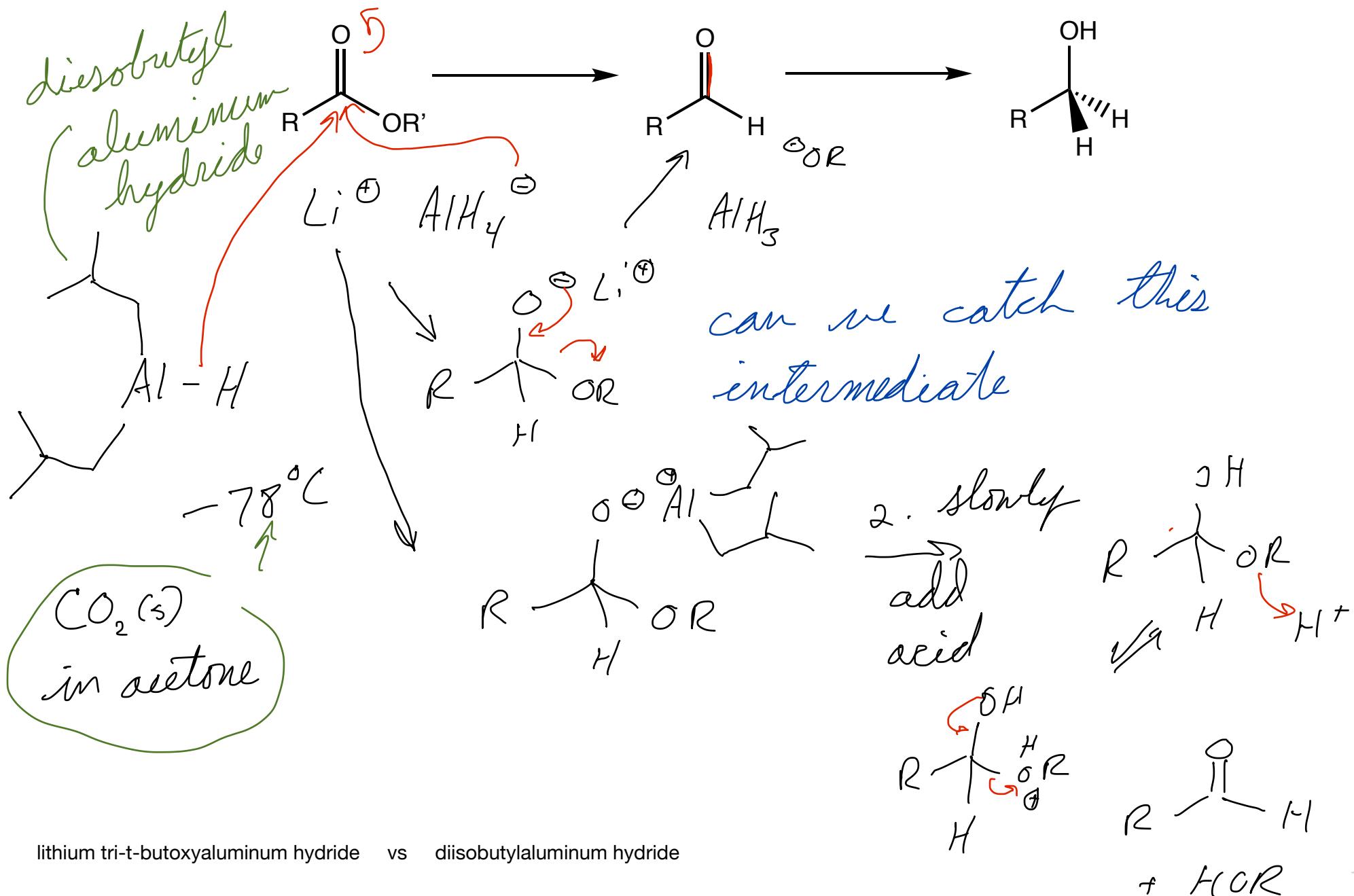
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lithium tri-t-butoxyaluminum hydride    vs    diisobutylaluminum hydride

Understanding the Mechanism Allowed Chemists to Discover a Way to Stop the Reduction of Esters at the Aldehyde Functional Group

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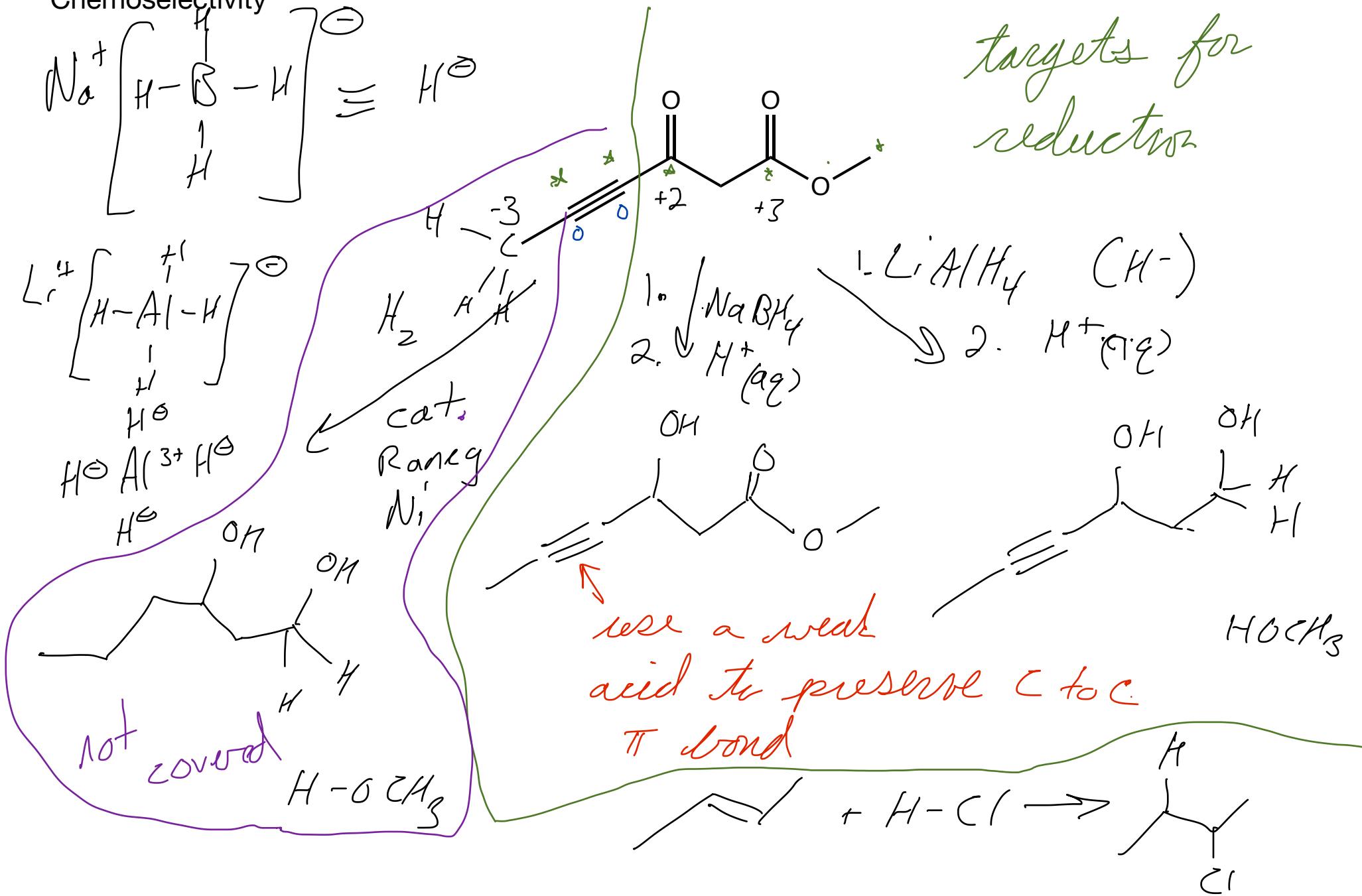


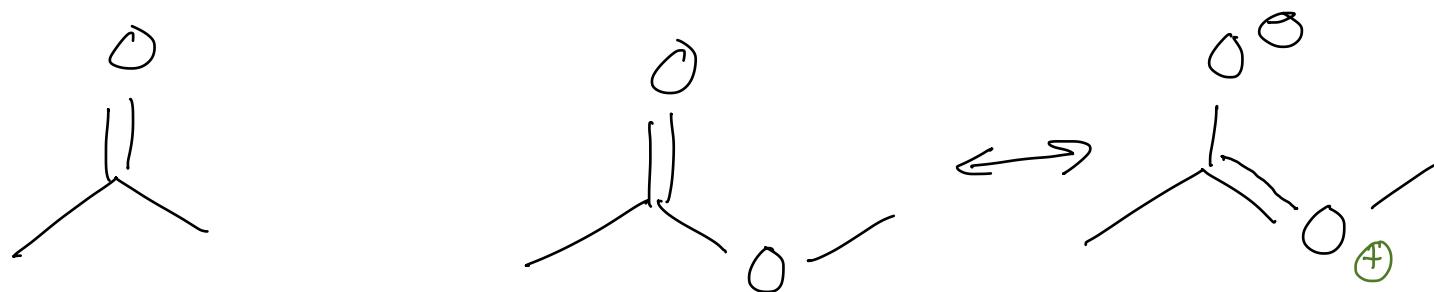
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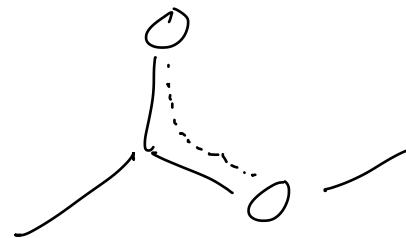
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### Choselectivity





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$\pi$  bond character  
makes ester less  
reactive to  
nucleophiles

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