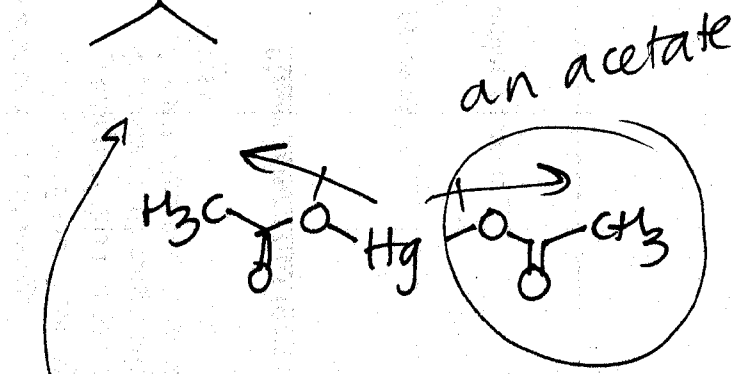
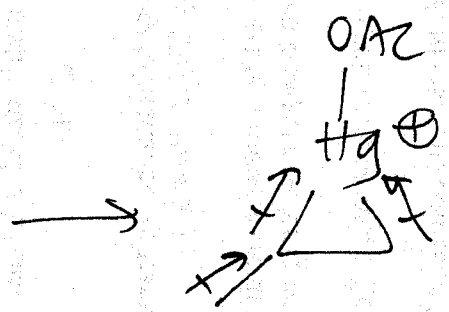
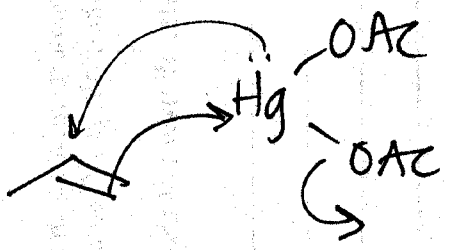
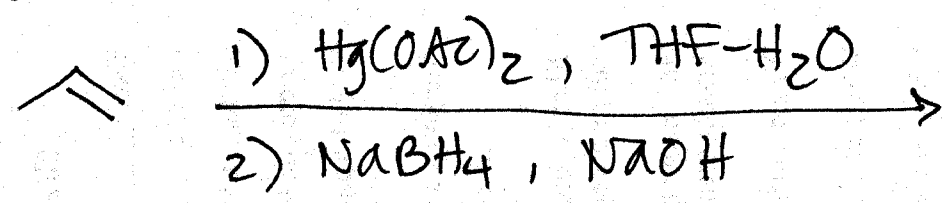
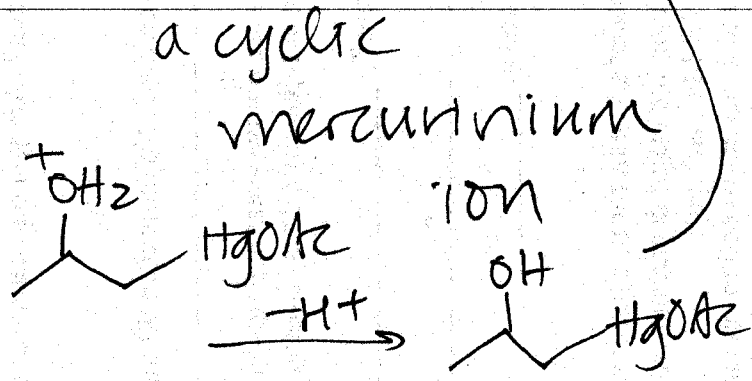
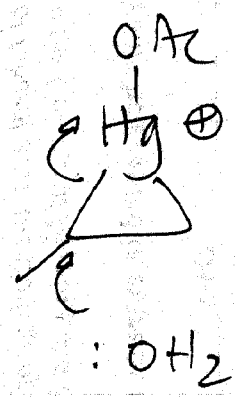


# 2. oxymercuration - demercuration

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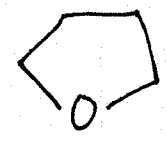
Ac = acetyl  
 = CC(=O)O



THF  
 tetrahydrofuran

Why does the nucleophile (water) attack the more subst. position?

Think of it as pseudo carbocations - which side makes the better cation? Nucleophile attacks there.



\* markovnikov addition

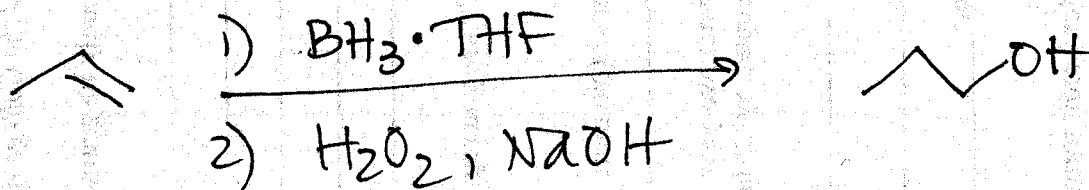
\* 1st step is an anti addition } net effect  
\* 2nd step is random } = racemic

\* no carbocations  $\Rightarrow$  no rearrangement

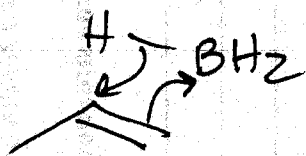
(don't worry about solvent/curation)

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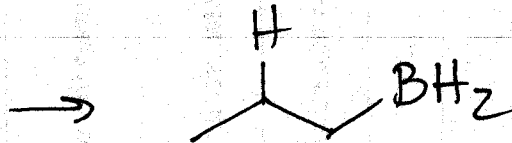
### 3. hydroboration-oxidation



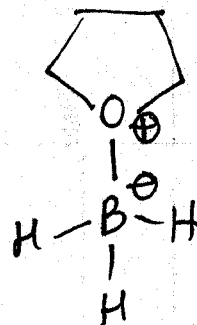
anti-  
markovnikov



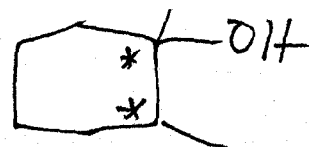
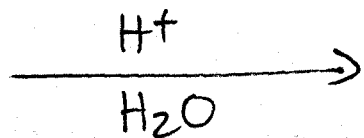
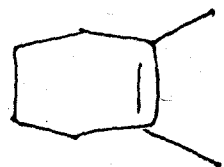
syn  
addition



boron has  
3 hydrogens;  
can do  
this  
3 times.

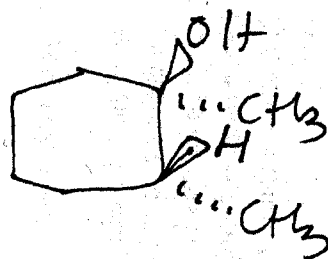
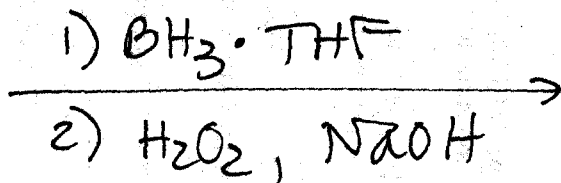


\* goes with retention



4 products

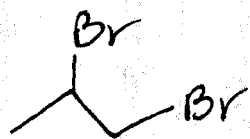
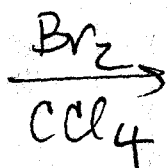
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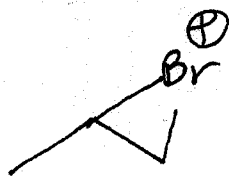
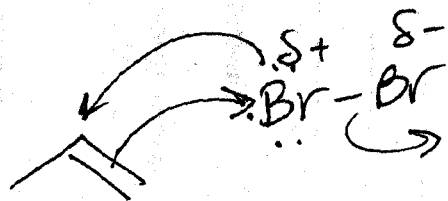
(+ enantiomer)

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## Addition of Halogens ( $\text{Br}_2$ , $\text{Cl}_2$ , $\text{I}_2$ )

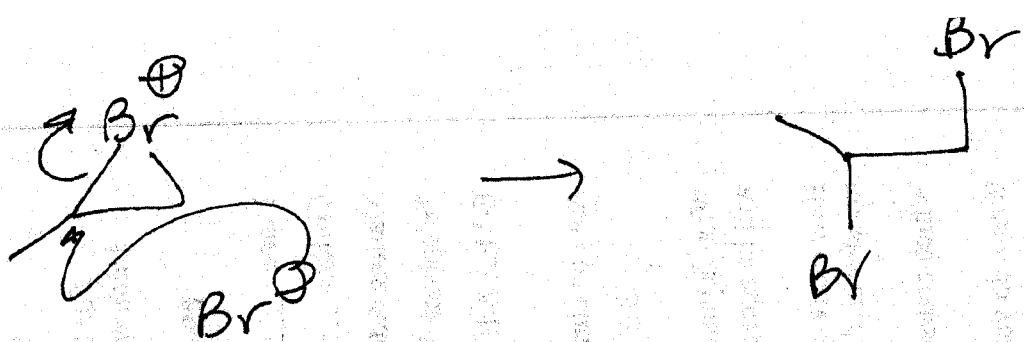


- makes vicinal dibromide
- markovnikov's Rule does not apply (symmetrical reagent)



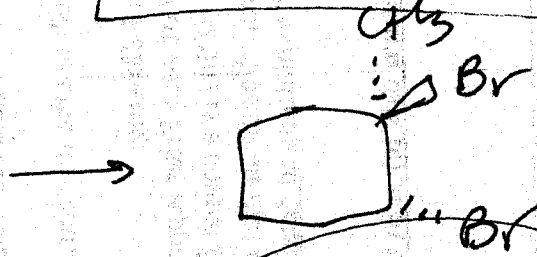
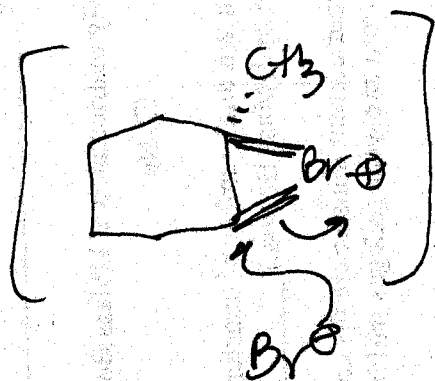
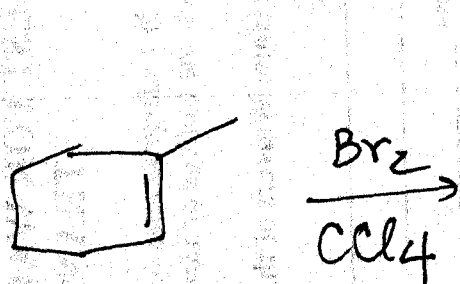
- anti addition

cyclic halonium ion

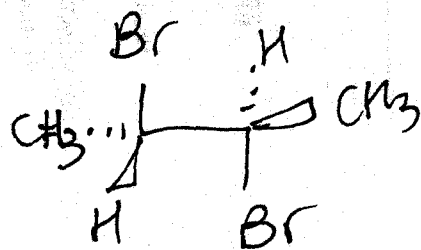
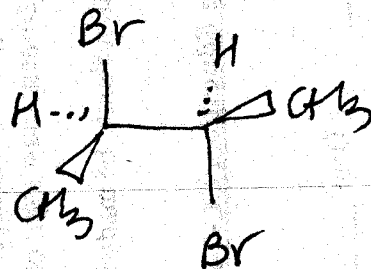
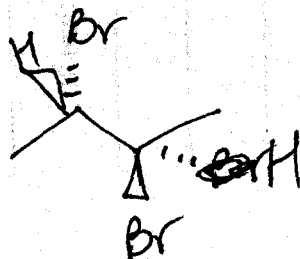
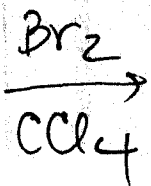
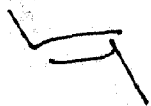
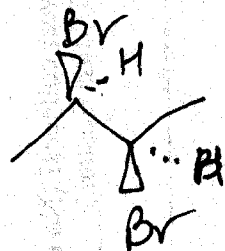
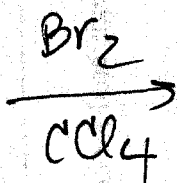


This is also a functional group test (for alkenes + alkynes).

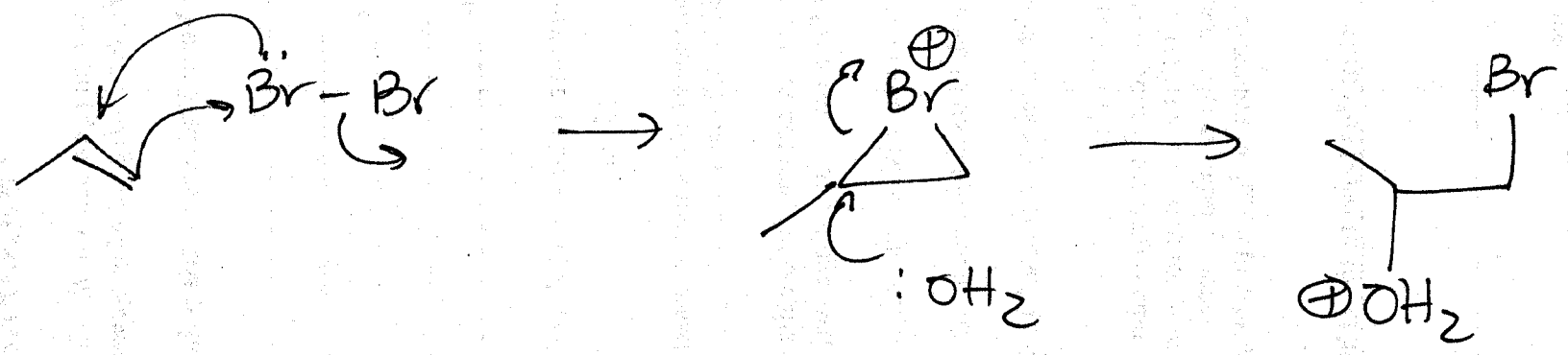
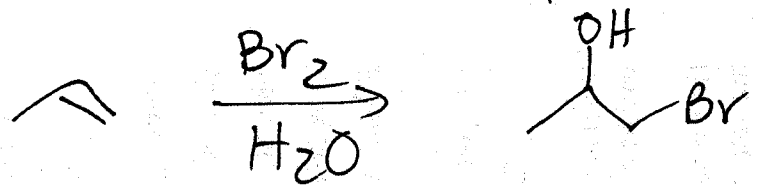
\* Decolorizing  $Br_2$



Br's always anti to each other.



Variation: Halohydrins — (OH + ~~Br~~) on adjacent C's (X)



still anti addition  
 H<sub>2</sub>O attacks more subst side

