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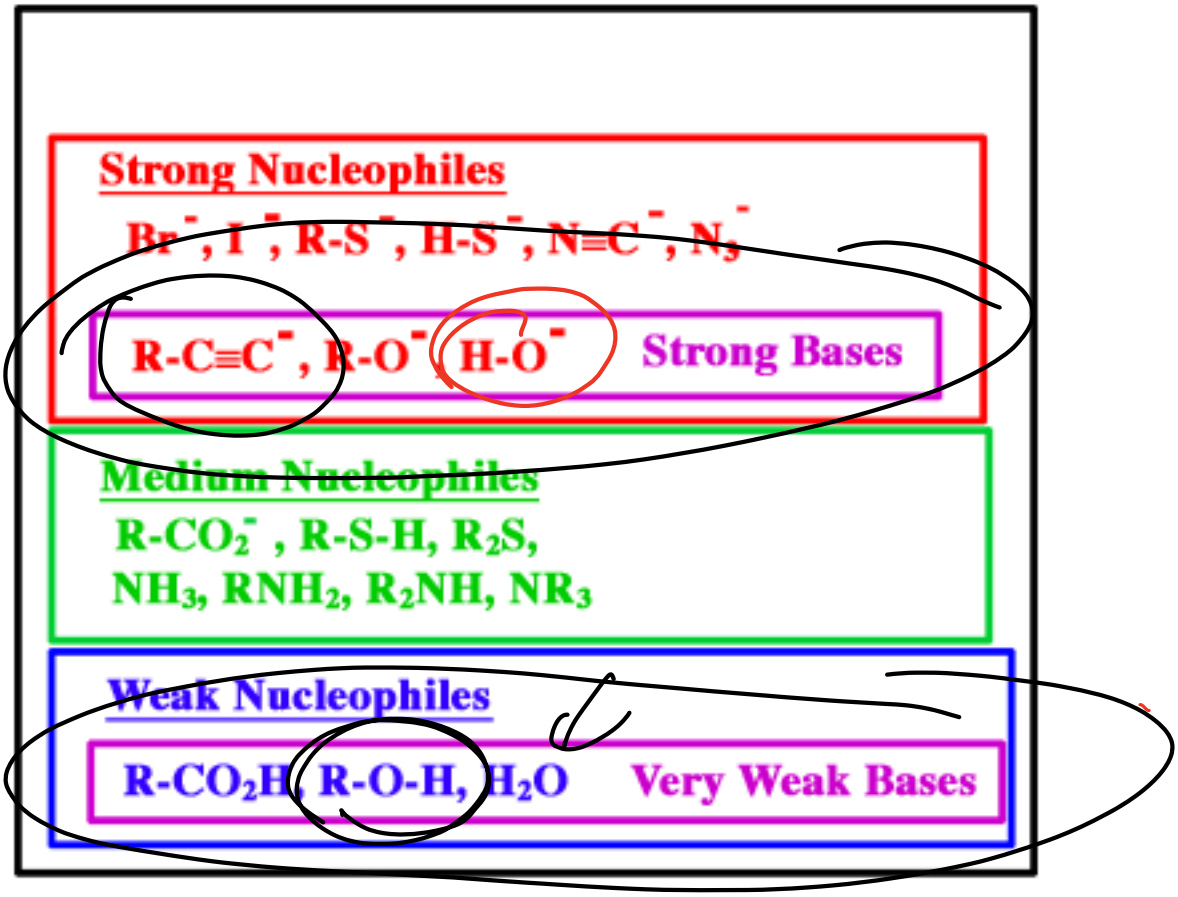
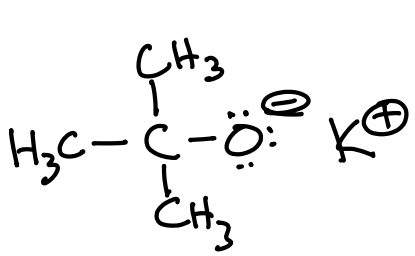


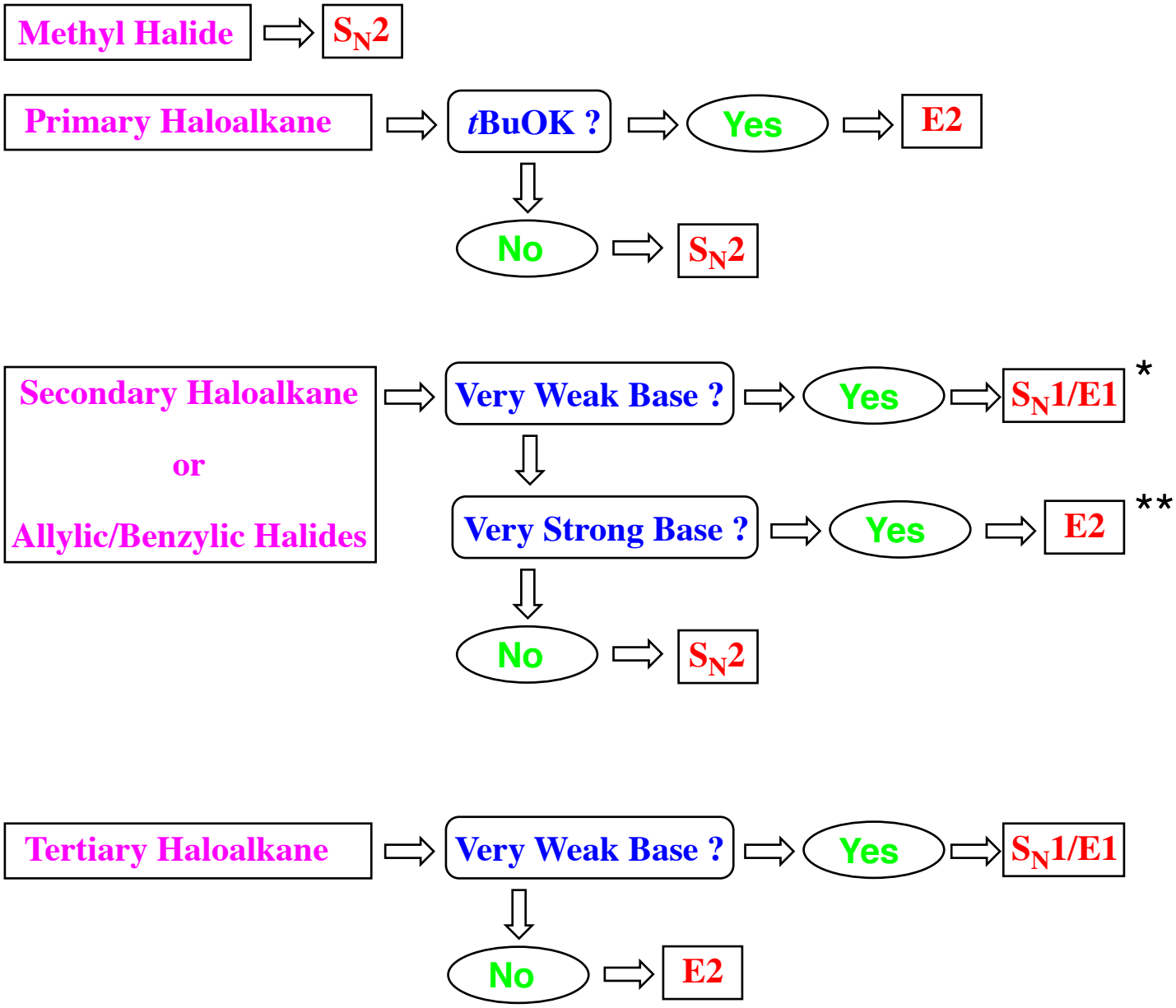
Special Case

Tert-Butoxide ($tBuO^-$) is a strong base, but is not a nucleophile due to steric hindrance.



"KOtBu" or "$tBuO^-$"

Substitution/Elimination Decision Map



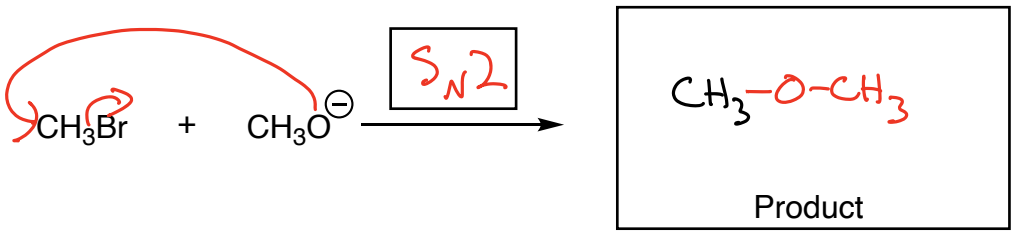
For S_N2 Remember Chiral Center InVERSiON
For E2 Remember anti-periplanar and Zaitsev
For S_N1 Remember Chiral Center Scrambling
For E1 Remember Zaitsev

* Note: With Very Weak Bases, SN2 can compete here, but for the purposes of this class, assume SN1 / E1 predominate

** Note: If tBuOK is the very strong base, an appreciable amount of a non-Zaitsev product can be formed because the bulky tBuOK will tend to react with the most accessible H atom.

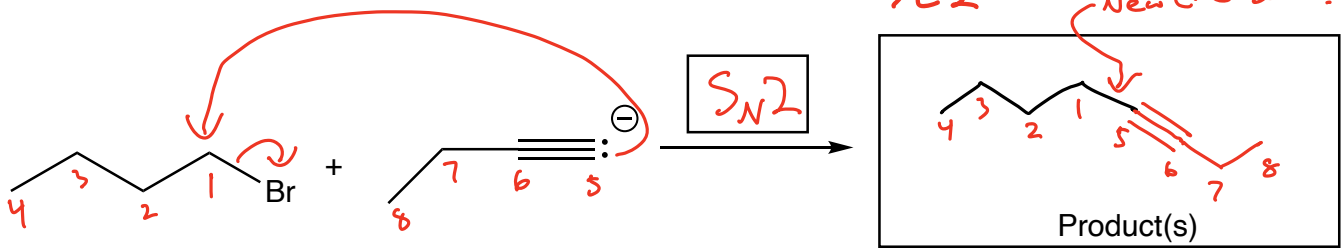
Substitution vs. Elimination Examples:

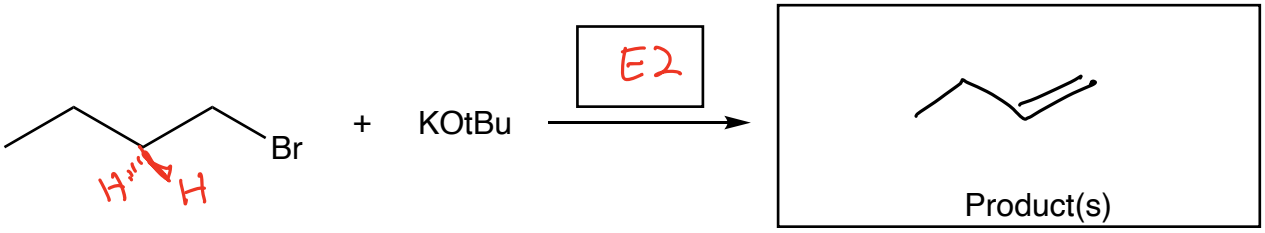
Methyl Haloalkanes (CH_3X) → Only S_N2 is possible



Primary (1°) Haloalkanes

S_N2 with all but KOtBu ($tBuO^{\ominus}K^{\oplus}$) → E2

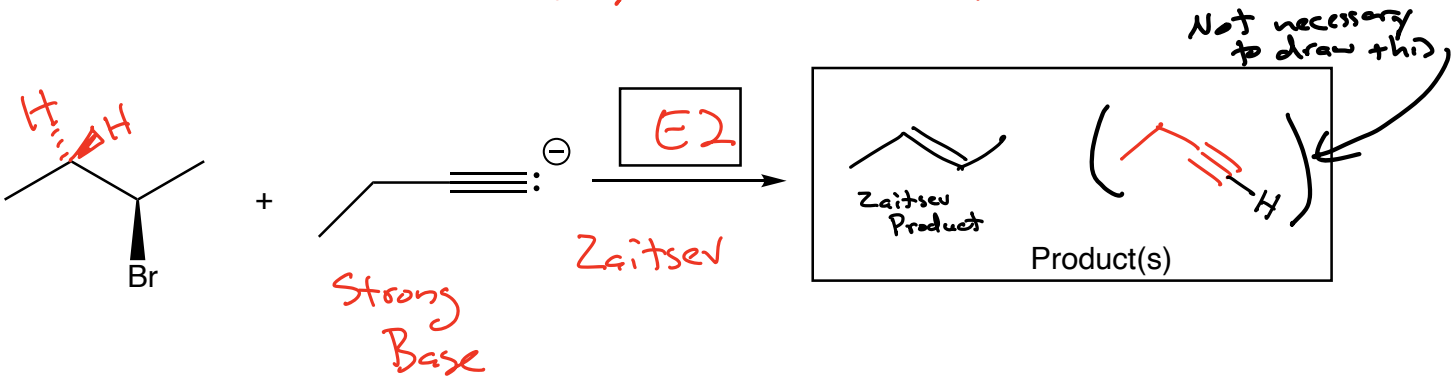


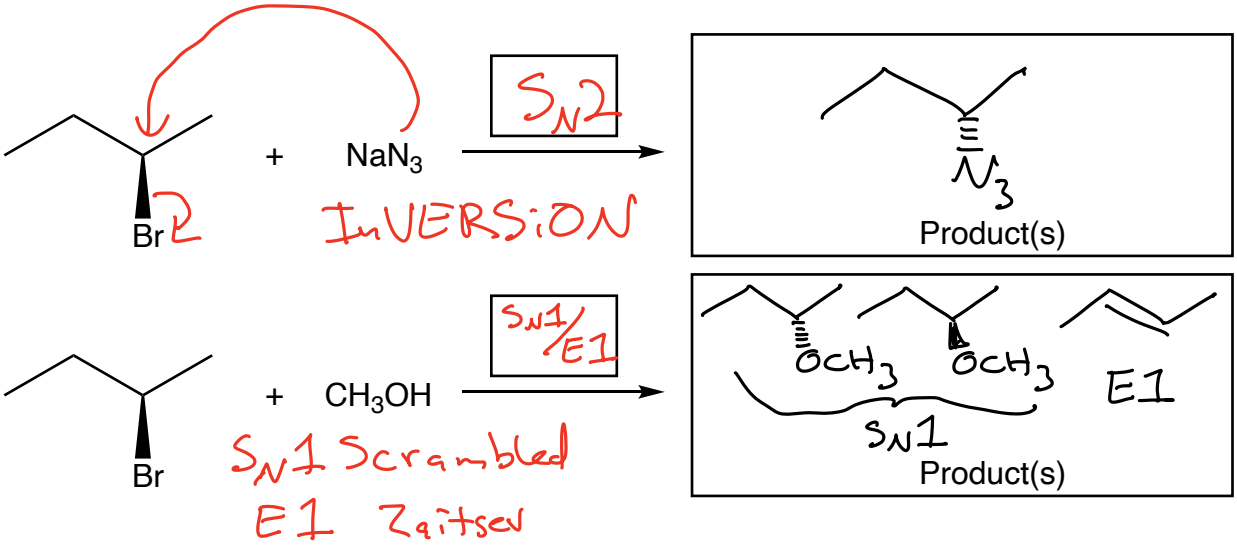


Secondary (2°) Haloalkanes → S_N2 with all but strong bases or very weak bases

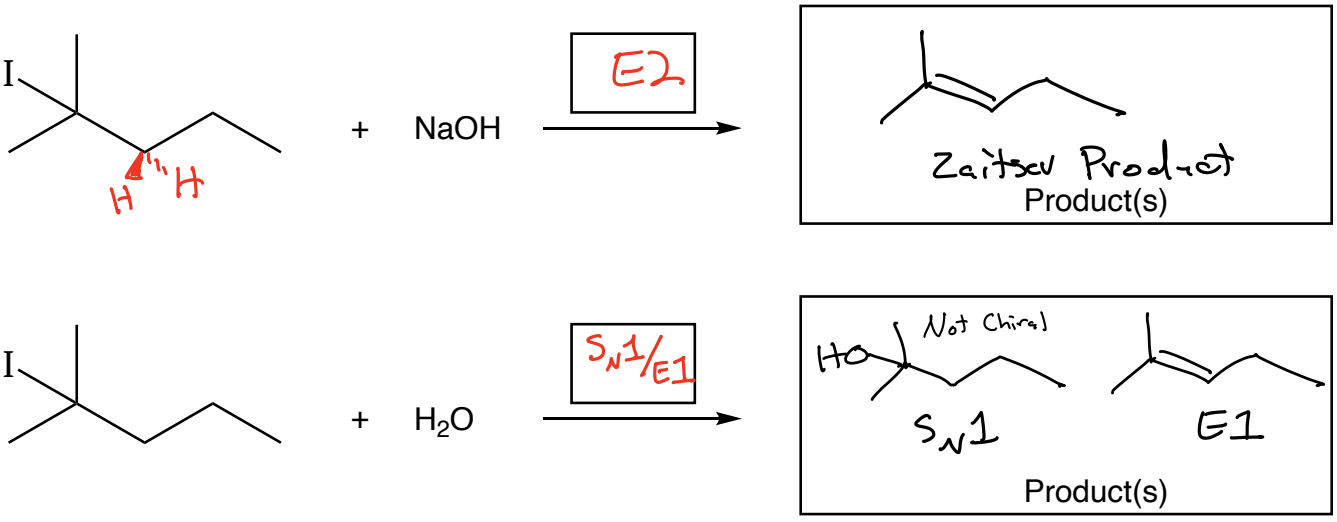
→ E2 with strong bases

→ S_N1/E1 with very weak bases

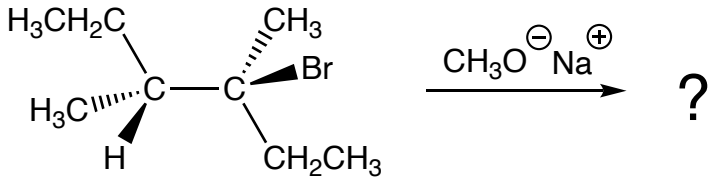




Tertiary (3°) Haloalkanes



E2 Reaction Considerations:



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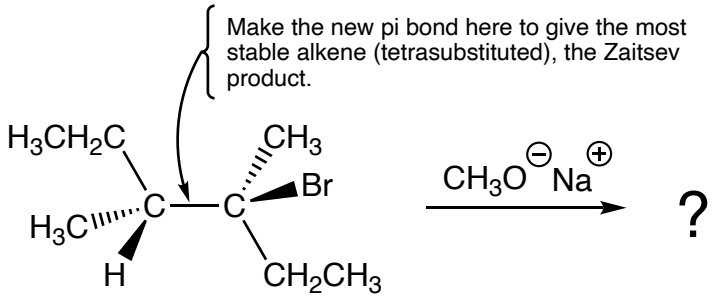

2. **Given the Zaitsev product you have identified, verify which anti-periplanar H atom(s) can be removed during the reaction to determine whether the product is E or Z.**
3. **You often need to rotate bonds to identify the particular H atom and configuration that reacts to give the alkene product.**

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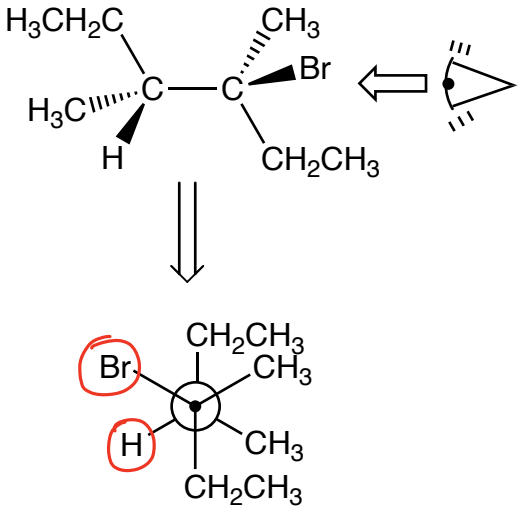

H and Br **not** anti-periplanar

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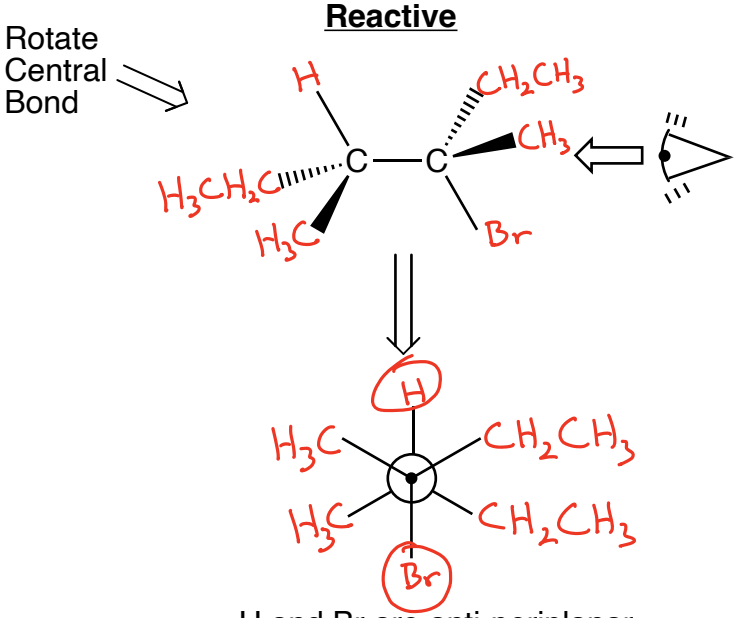
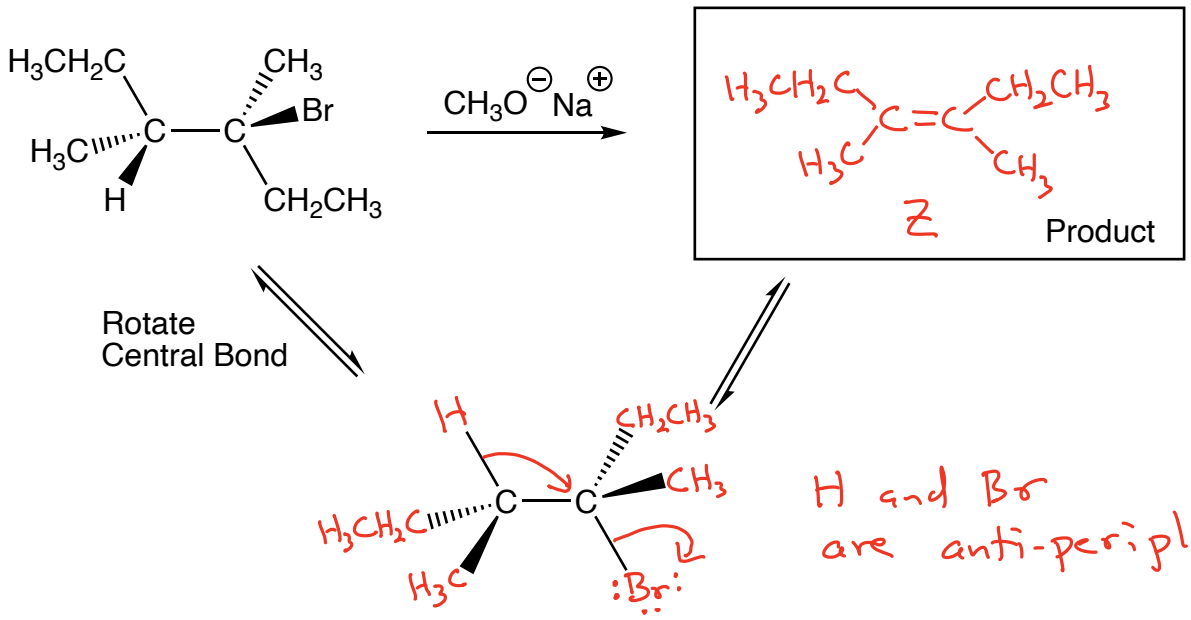
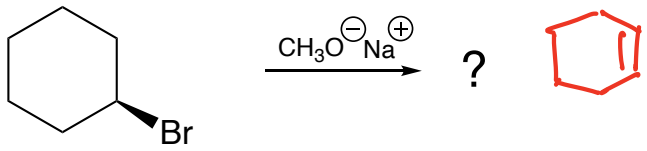


H and Br are anti-periplanar

Putting it all together:



E2 Reaction of cyclohexane derivatives:



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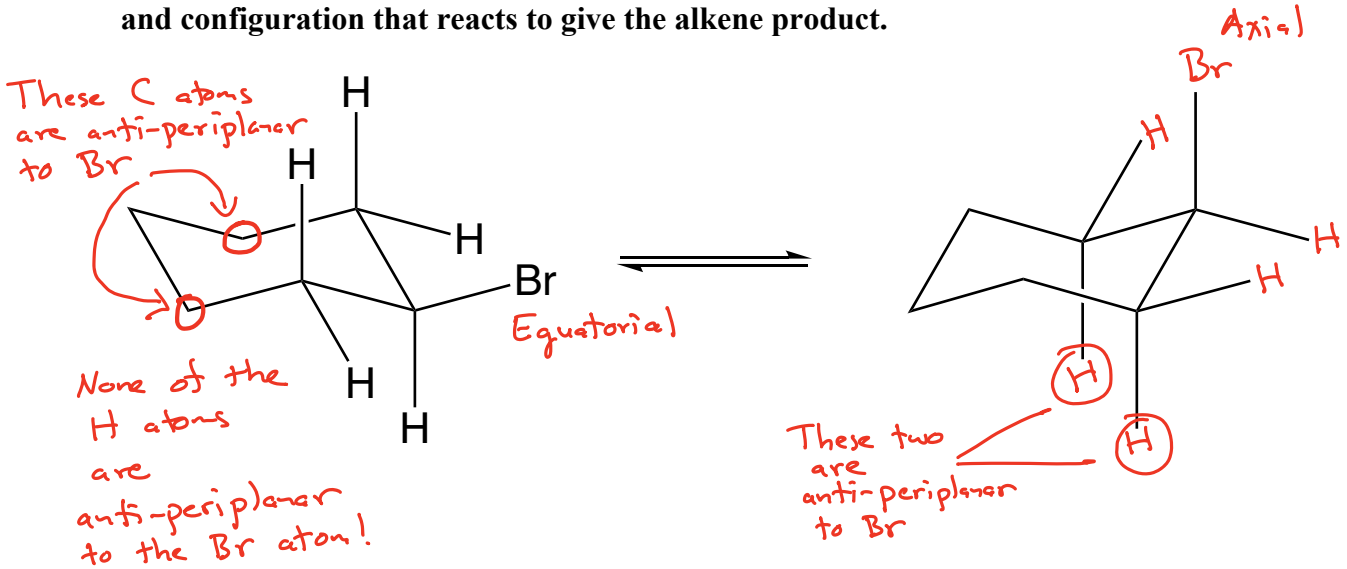
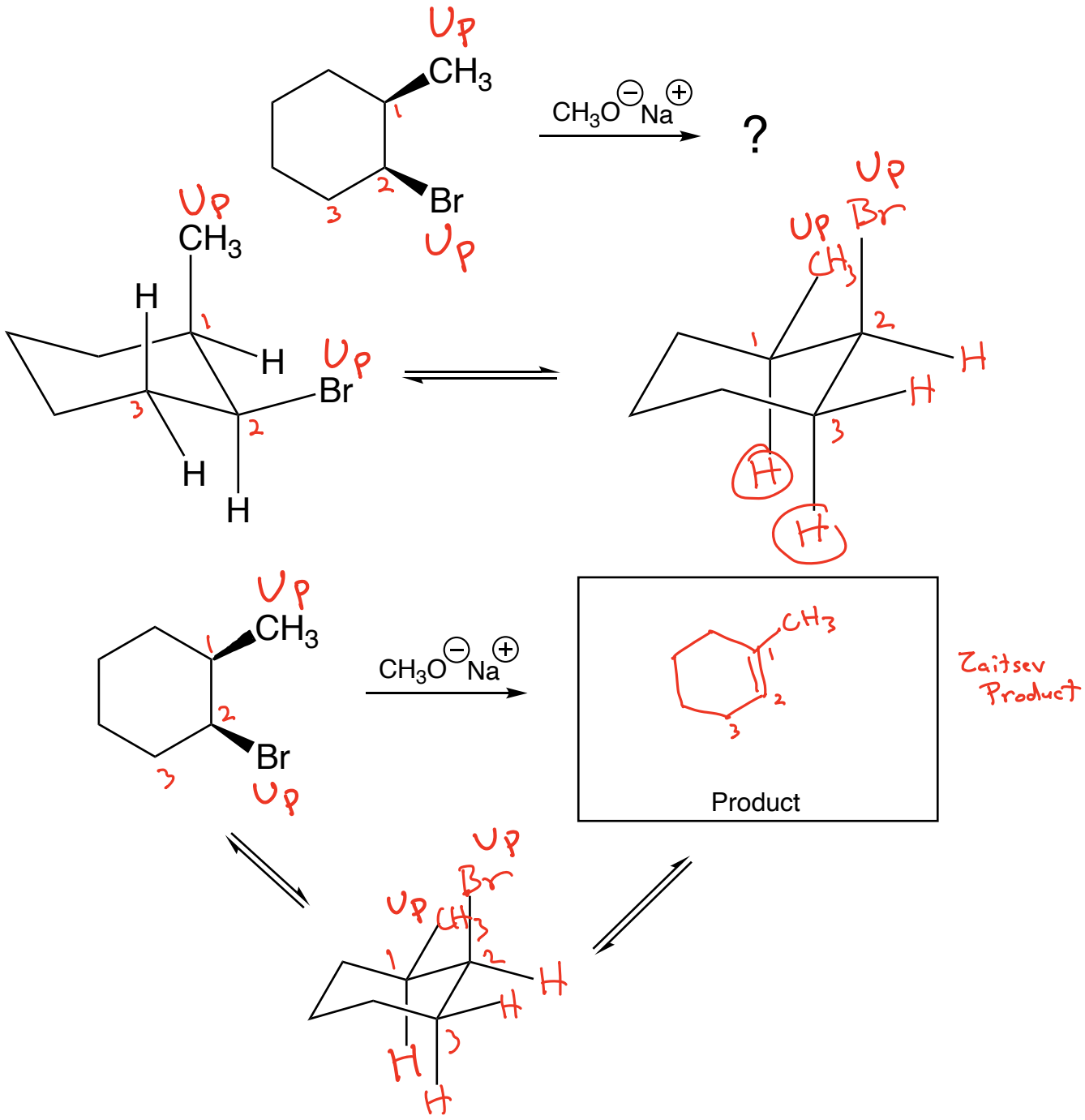
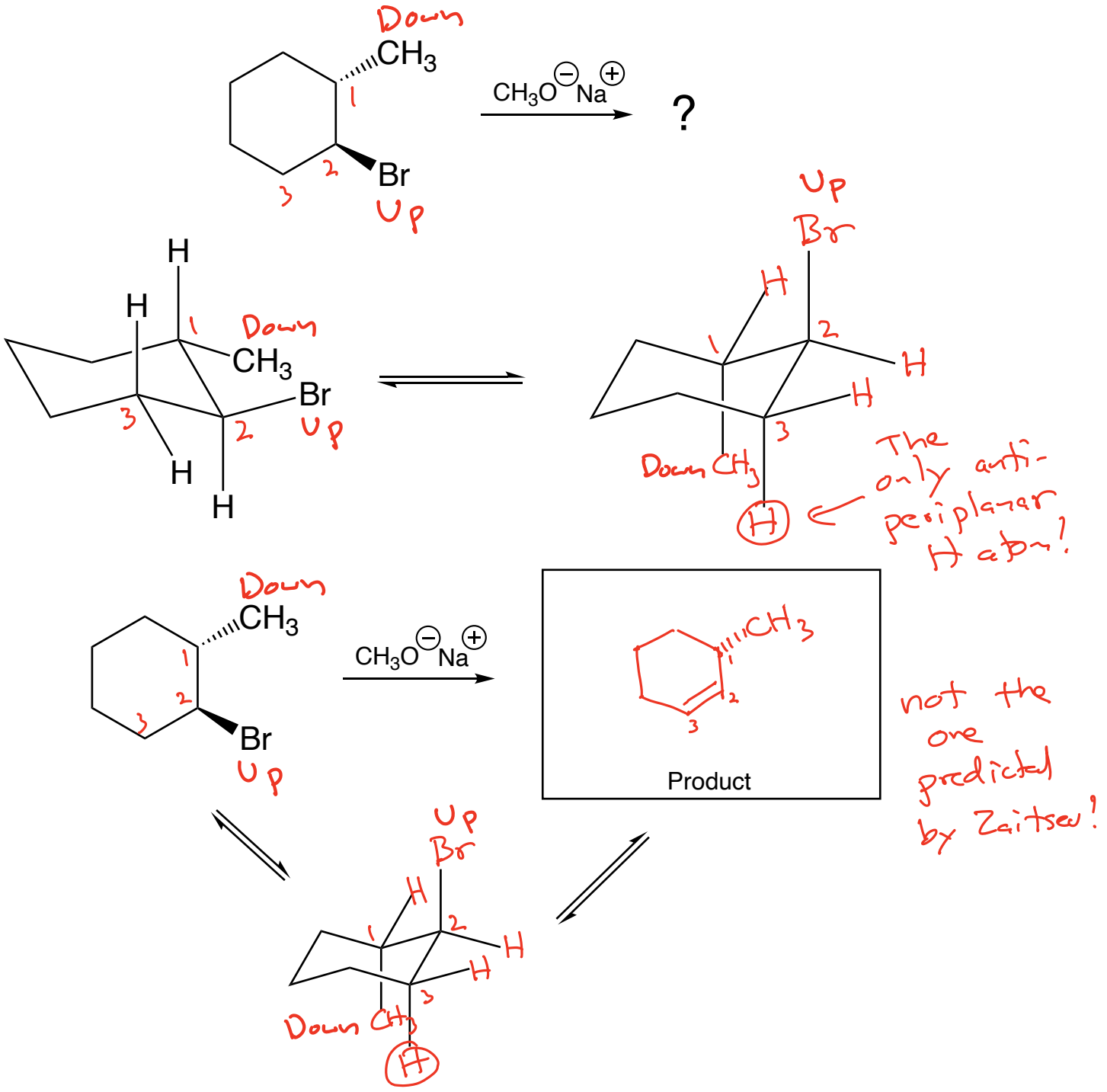


Rule: The halogen must be axial to react via E2 in cyclohexane derivatives

Classic Examples:

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1
2
3
Br
Up
CH3O Na
?
H
H
1
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CH3
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Up
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Up
Br
H
1
2
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3
Down CH3
H
The only anti-periplanar H atom!
Down
CH3
1
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3
Br
Up
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1
2
3
Product
not the one predicted by Zaitsev!
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2
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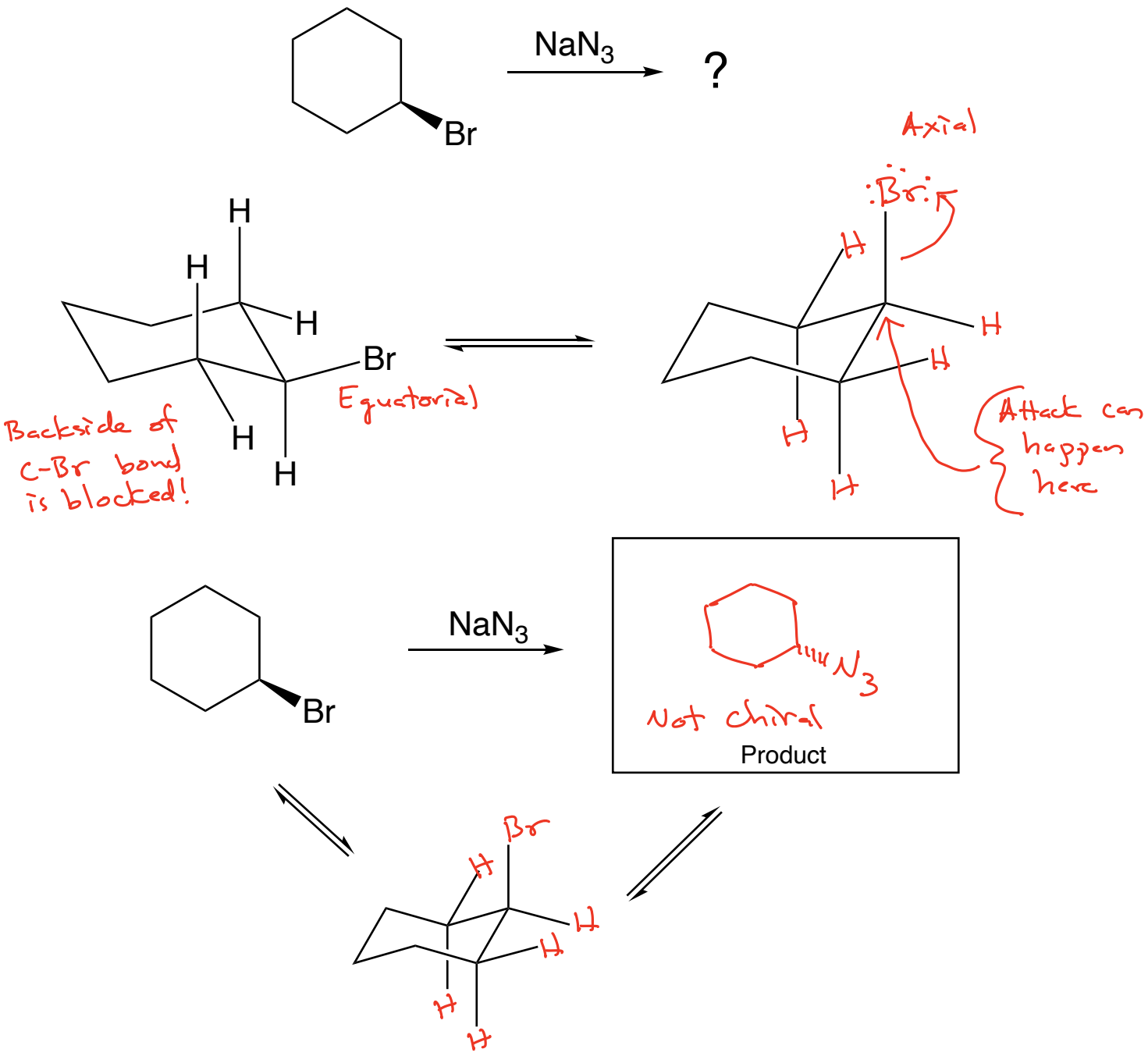
S_N2 Reactions of Cyclohexanes:



Rule: The halogen must be axial to react in an S_N2 mechanism in a cyclohexane derivative.

Geminal
Dihaloalkanes

Vicinal
Tetrahaloalkanes

Alkynes

Aldehydes/Ketones

Vicinal
Dihaloalkanes

Vicinal
Diols

Alkenes

Alcohols

Halohydrins

Haloalkanes

Alkanes

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Alkynes (DFW)

Aldehydes/Ketones

R-C≡C-H Terminal 1) 3 $NaNH_2$ 2) H_2O, H_2O

R-C≡C-R Internal 2 $NaNH_2$

Double E2

Vicinal Dihaloalkanes (Waco)

Vicinal Diols

X_2 (Br_2, Cl_2) Anti 3-membered ring

Alkenes (ATX)

Alcohols

Adsorption on metal surface Pt^0, Pd^0, Ni^0 H_2

$Na^\bullet$ NH_3 Radical E product

Lindlar Catalyst Z product H_2 syn

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H-X (Cl, Br, I) Markovnikov, Mixed, Carbocation

H-Br ROOR hv or heat non-Markovnikov, Radical

Strong Base E2 Anti-periplanar TS Zaitsev's Rule

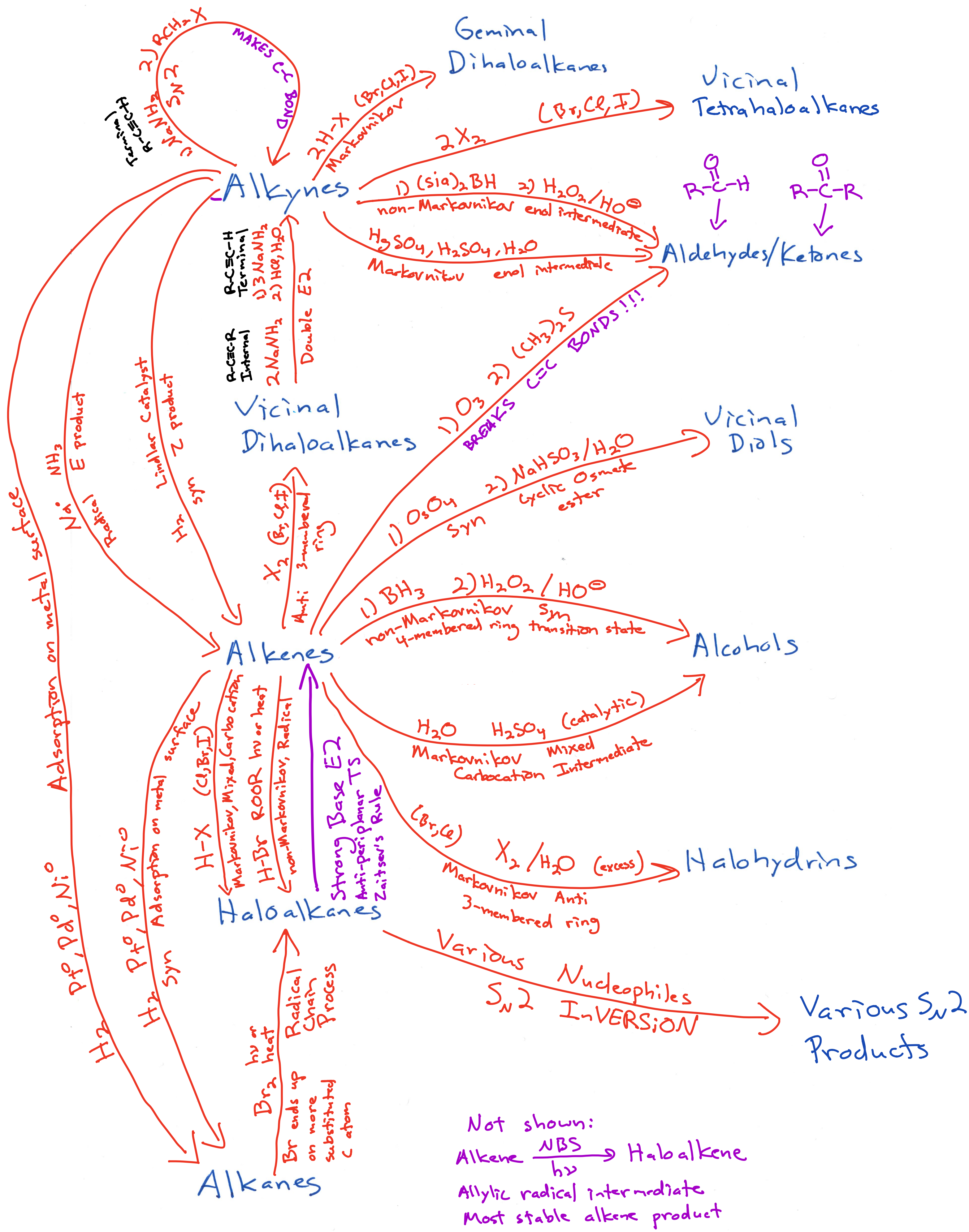
Halohydrins

Haloalkanes (S.M., N.B.)

Br_2 hv or heat Radical Chain Process Br ends up on more substituted C atom

Various S_N2 Products

Alkanes (San Antonio)



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Double E2
1) O_3 2) $(CH_3)_2S$
BREAKS C=C BONDS!!!
1) OsO_4 2) $NaHSO_3$/H_2O
Syn cyclic Osmate ester
1) BH_3 2) H_2O_2 / HO^-
non-Markovnikov Syn
4-membered ring transition state
H_2O H_2SO_4 (catalytic)
Markovnikov Mixed
Carbocation Intermediate
X_2 / H_2O (excess) (Br, Cl)
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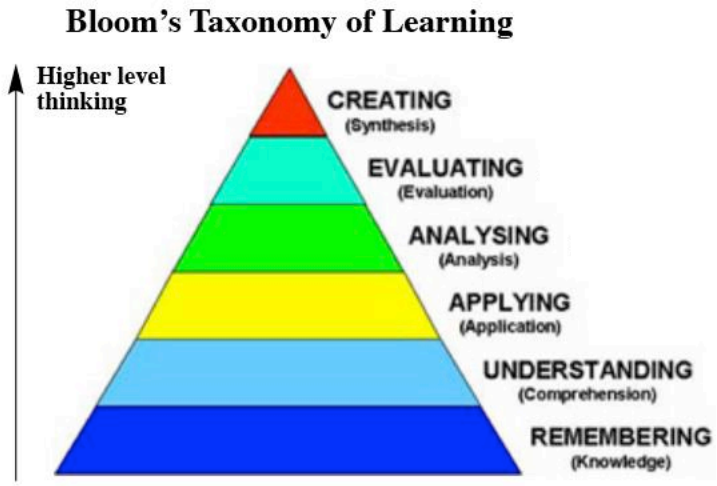

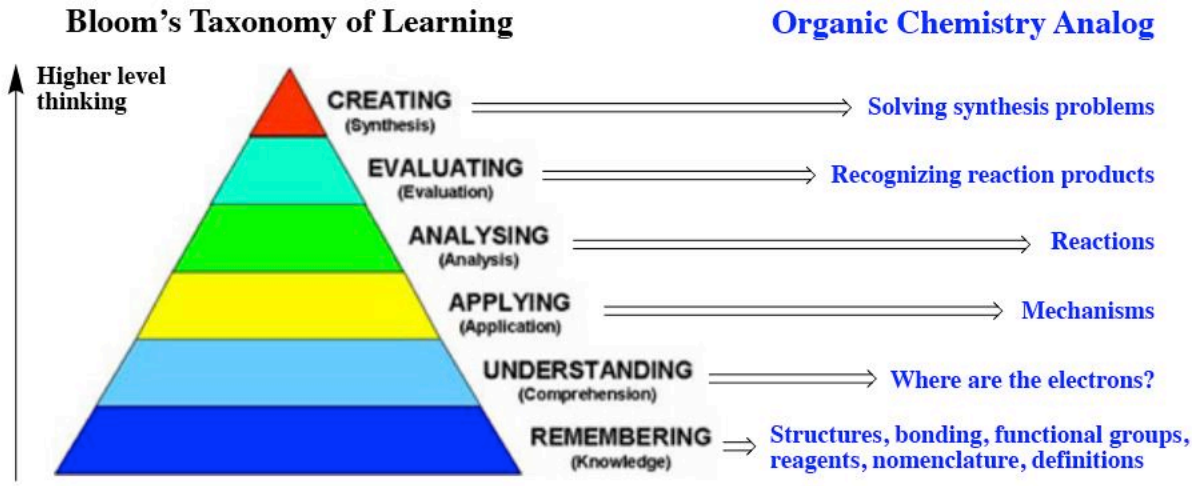

A) **You must have your entire roadmap learned** so you can recite the NIRRS parameters for each reagent, i.e. Nature of overall transformation ("locations" on the roadmap), the Intermediate or transition state (carbocation, anti-periplanar etc.), the Reagents and how to designate them, as well as any Regiochemistry (Markovnikov, etc.) and any appropriate Stereochemistry (syn, anti, InVERSiON, scrambled, etc).

B) **Work backwards** (learn to RECOGNIZE the appropriate reagents and starting materials by looking at the products) from the final product. DO NOT try to work forward from the starting materials. Please trust me on this.

C) **Count carbons** in the starting material(s) and product(s) to see if any carbon-carbon bonds need to be broken or made, thereby zeroing in on key steps. This will be far more important next semester, so you should get used to doing this now.

D) **Pretty much all synthesis problems in OChem 1 involve traveling "north or south" on the so-called "I-35"** reactions (alkanes SA, haloalkanes NB/SM, alkenes ATX, vicinal dihaloalkanes Waco, alkynes DFW) at least part way at some point during the synthesis. This is not a promise or a rule, just an observation.

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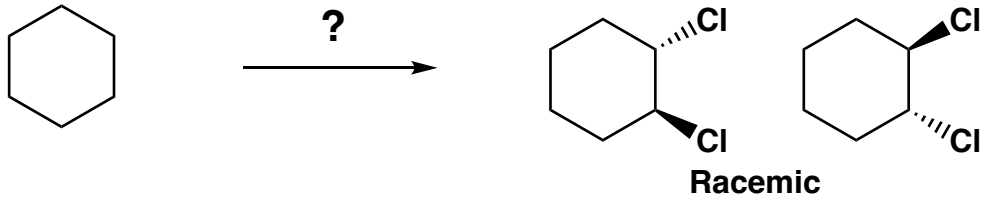

Racemic

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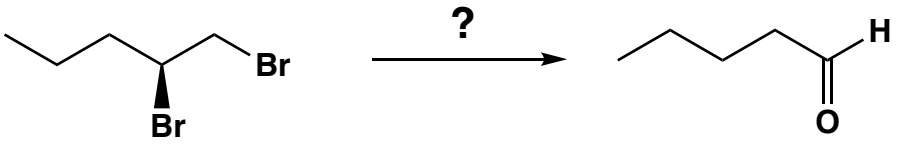

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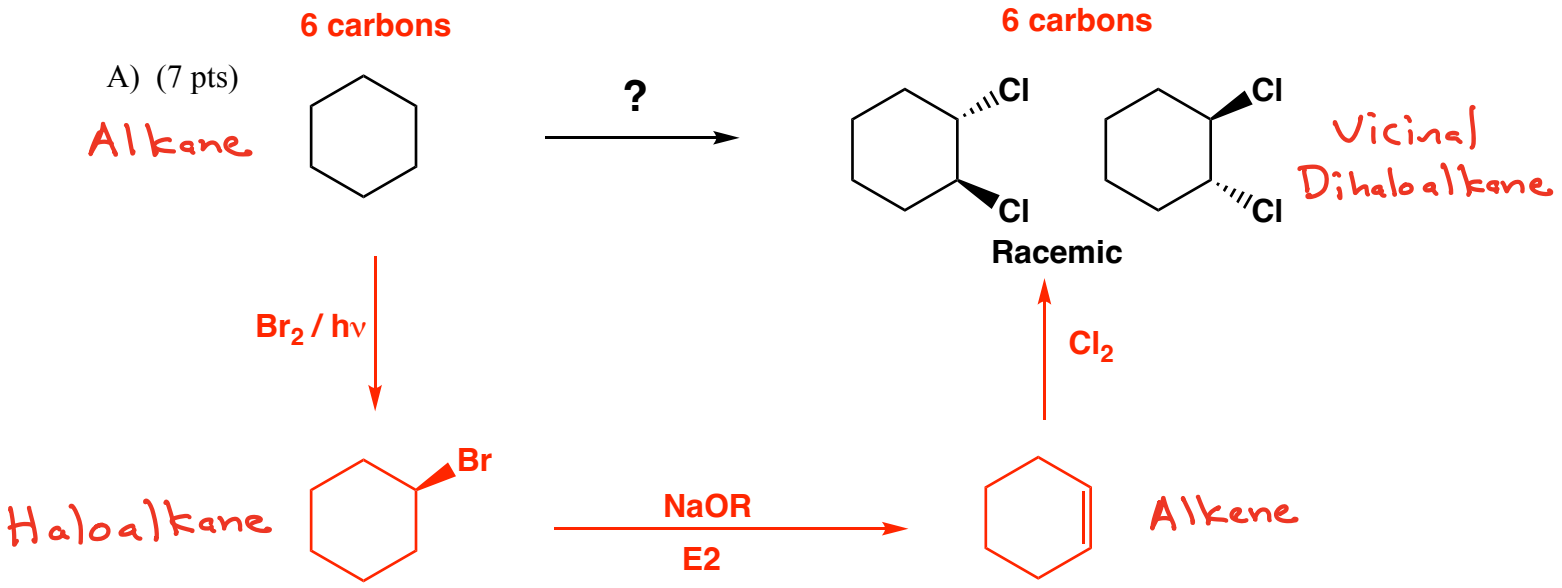
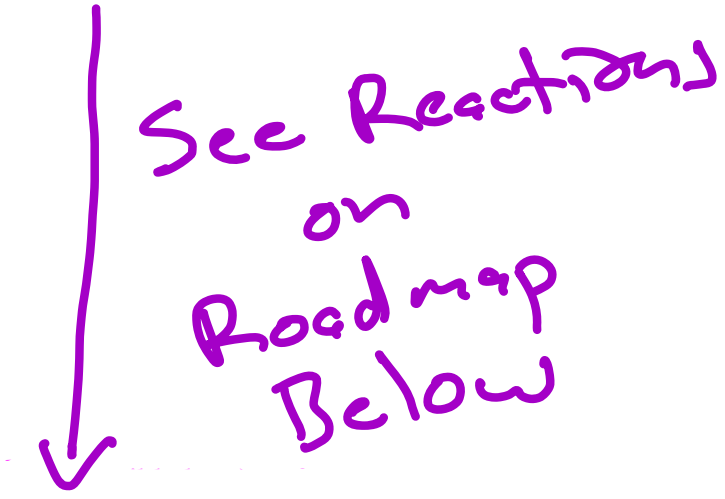
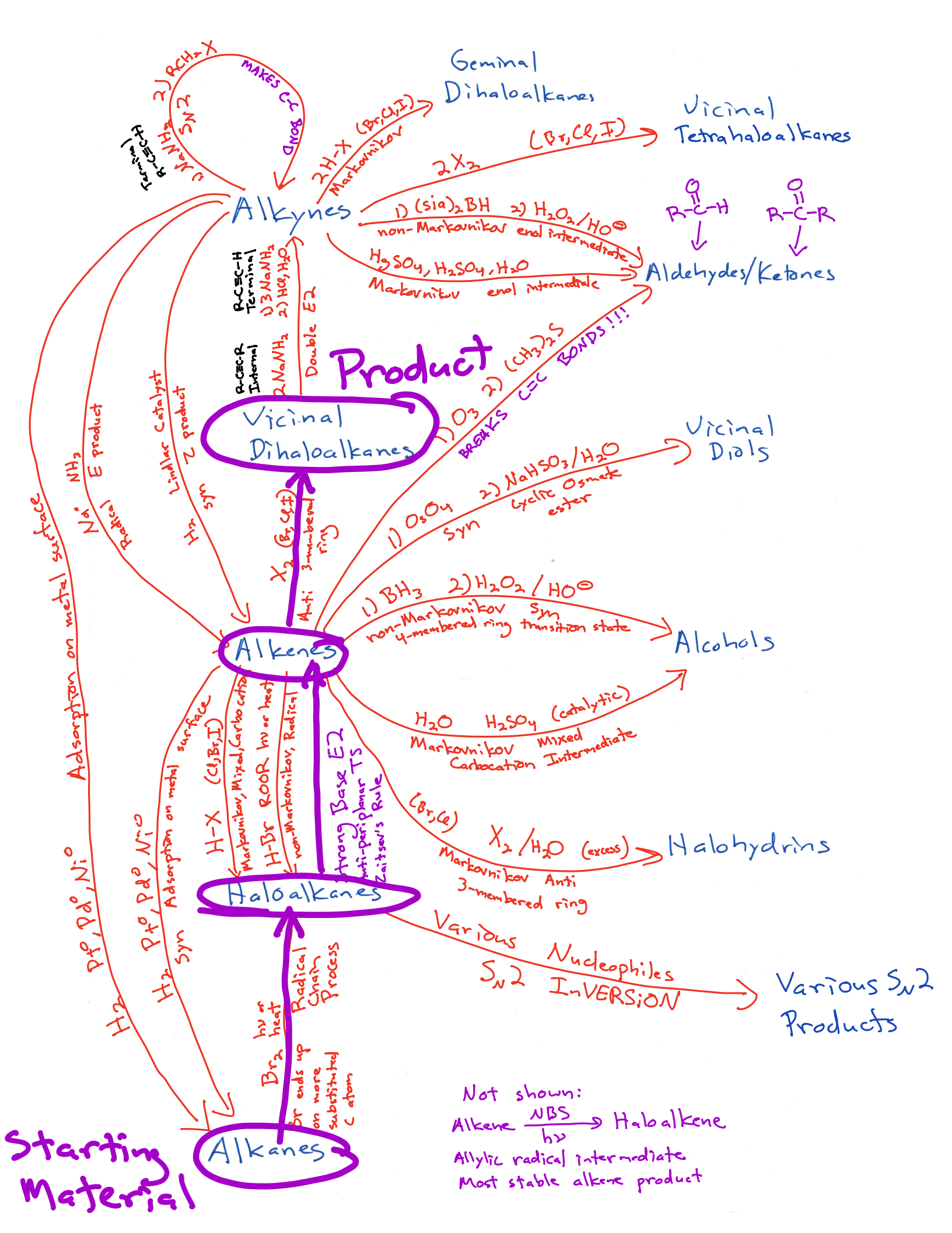


Recognize: The product is a *trans* dichlorocyclohexane tht must result from the reaction of an alkene (cyclohexene) with Cl_2. **Recognize**: The cyclohexene comes from the usual "I-35" combination of halogenation of an alkane with light (the only reaction that uses an alkane starting material) followed by an E2 in strong base such an alkoxide (NaOR).

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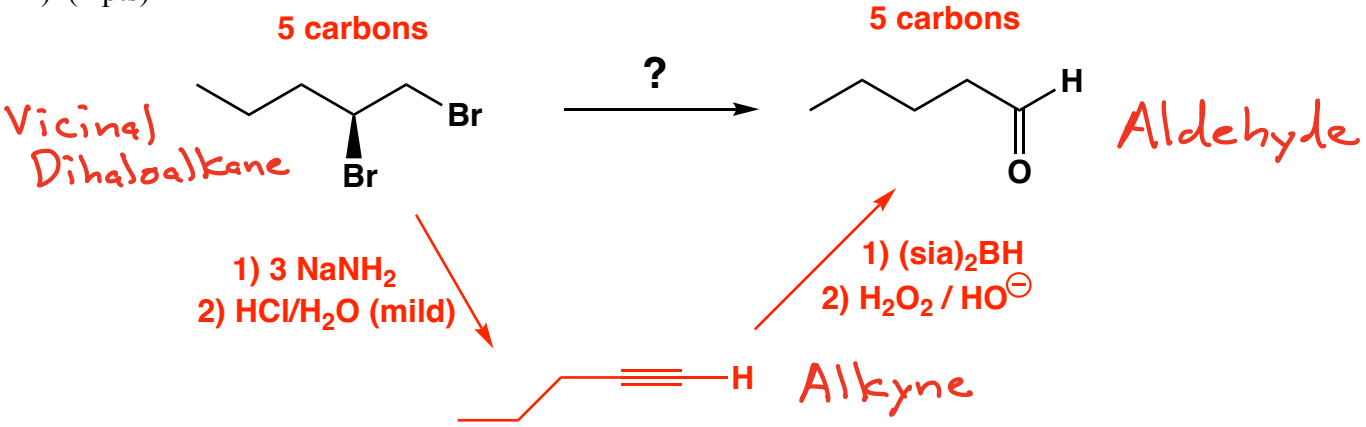
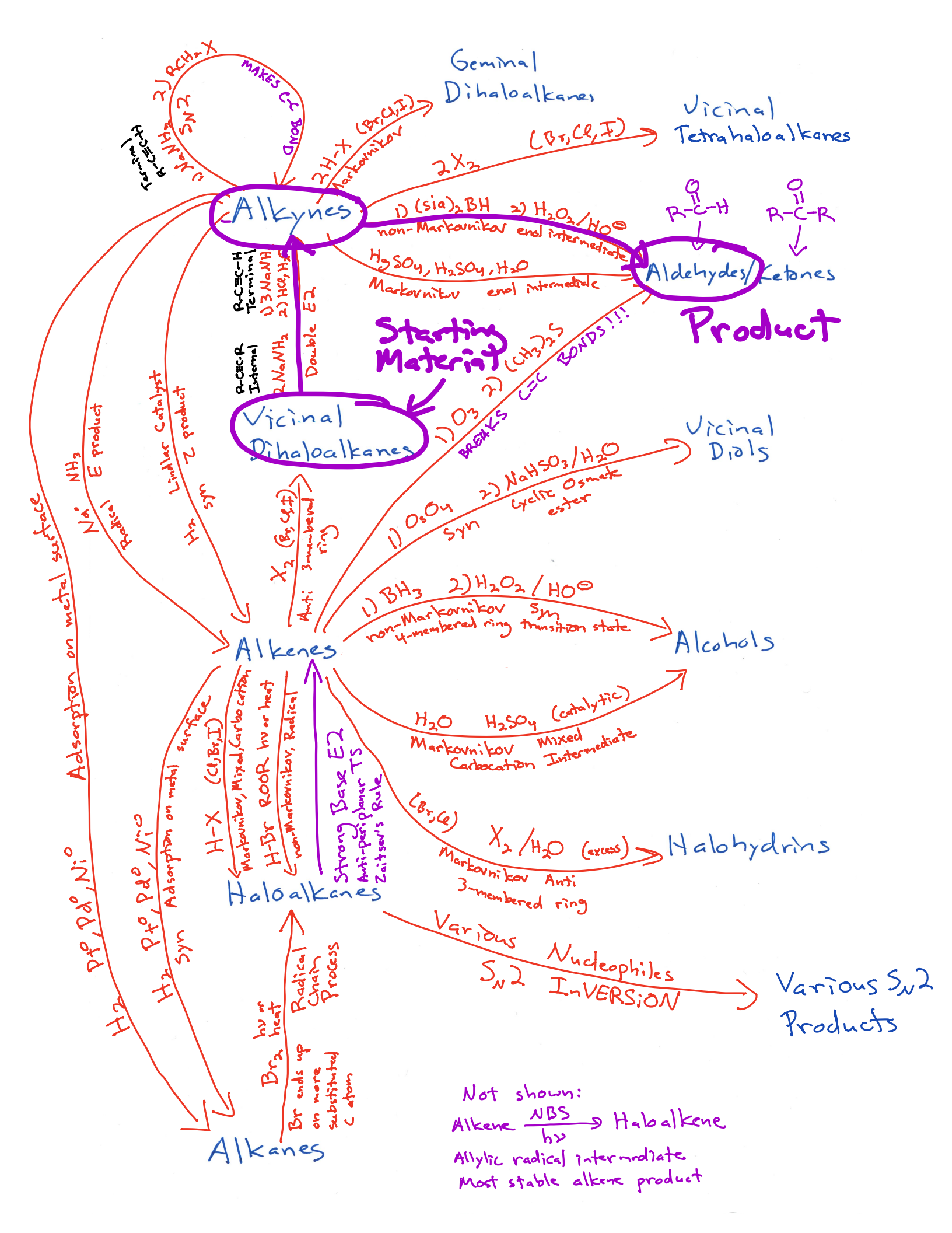


Recognize: The product is an aldehyde that can be made from a primary alcohol, ozonolysis of an alkene (breaks carbon-carbon bond so not possible here) or from an alkyne. Choose the latter because an alkyne can be made from the starting vicinal dihaloalkane using base, in this case three equivalents of $NaNH_2$ followed by mild acid workup because the product is a terminal alkyne.

See Reactions on Roadmap Below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