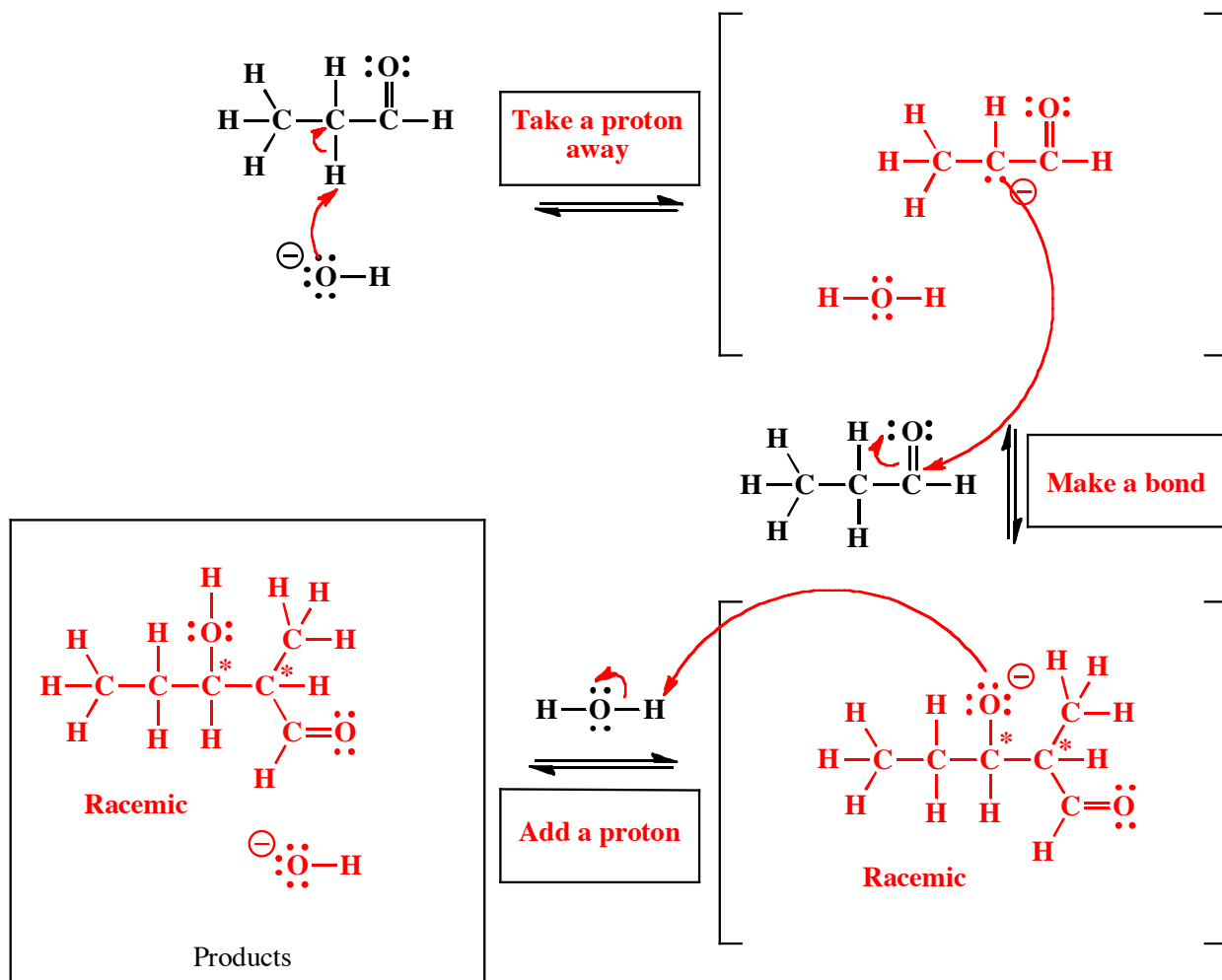


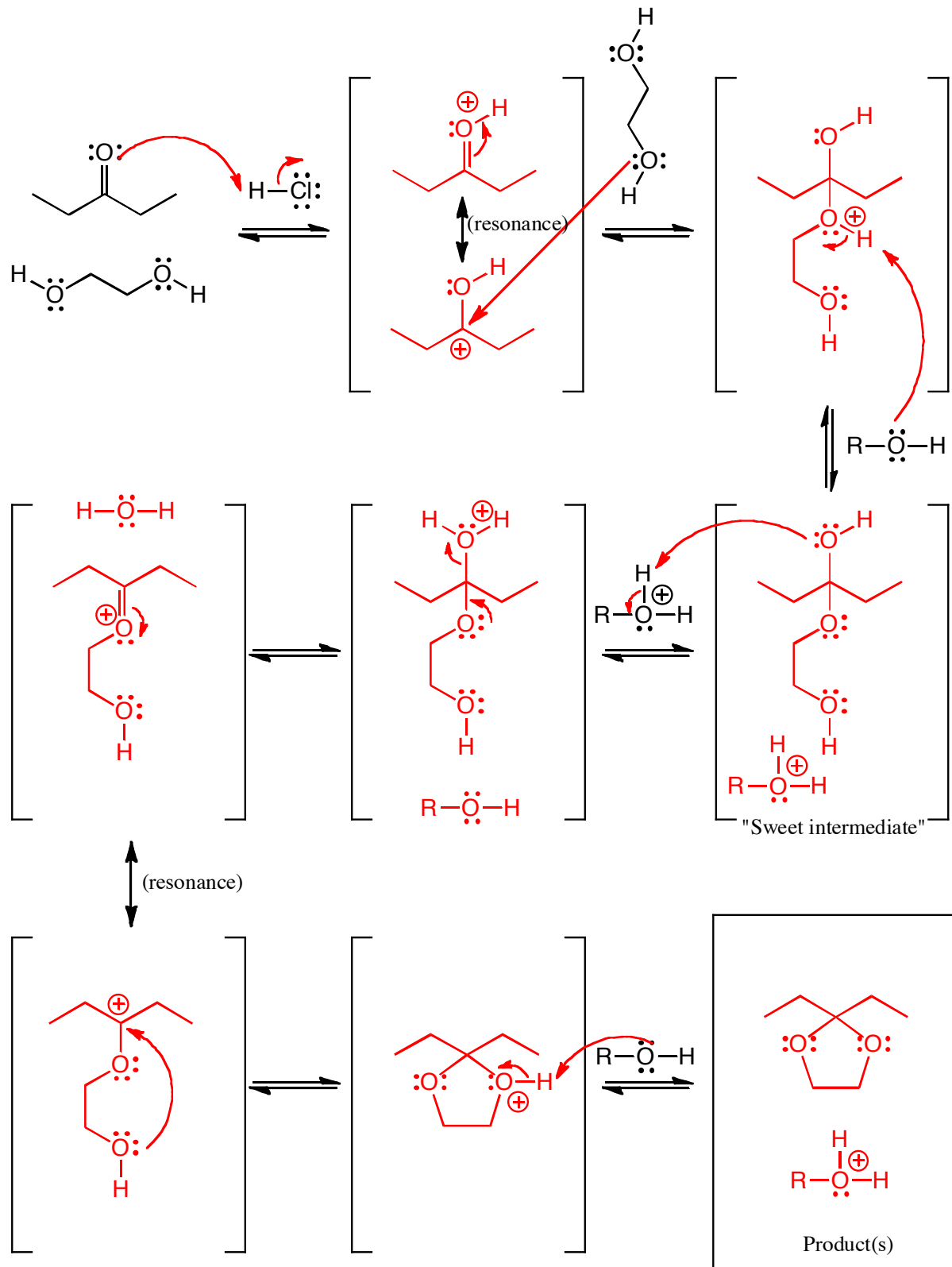
**Homework 4**  
**Organic Chemistry MCAT Review**  
**Summer 2012**  
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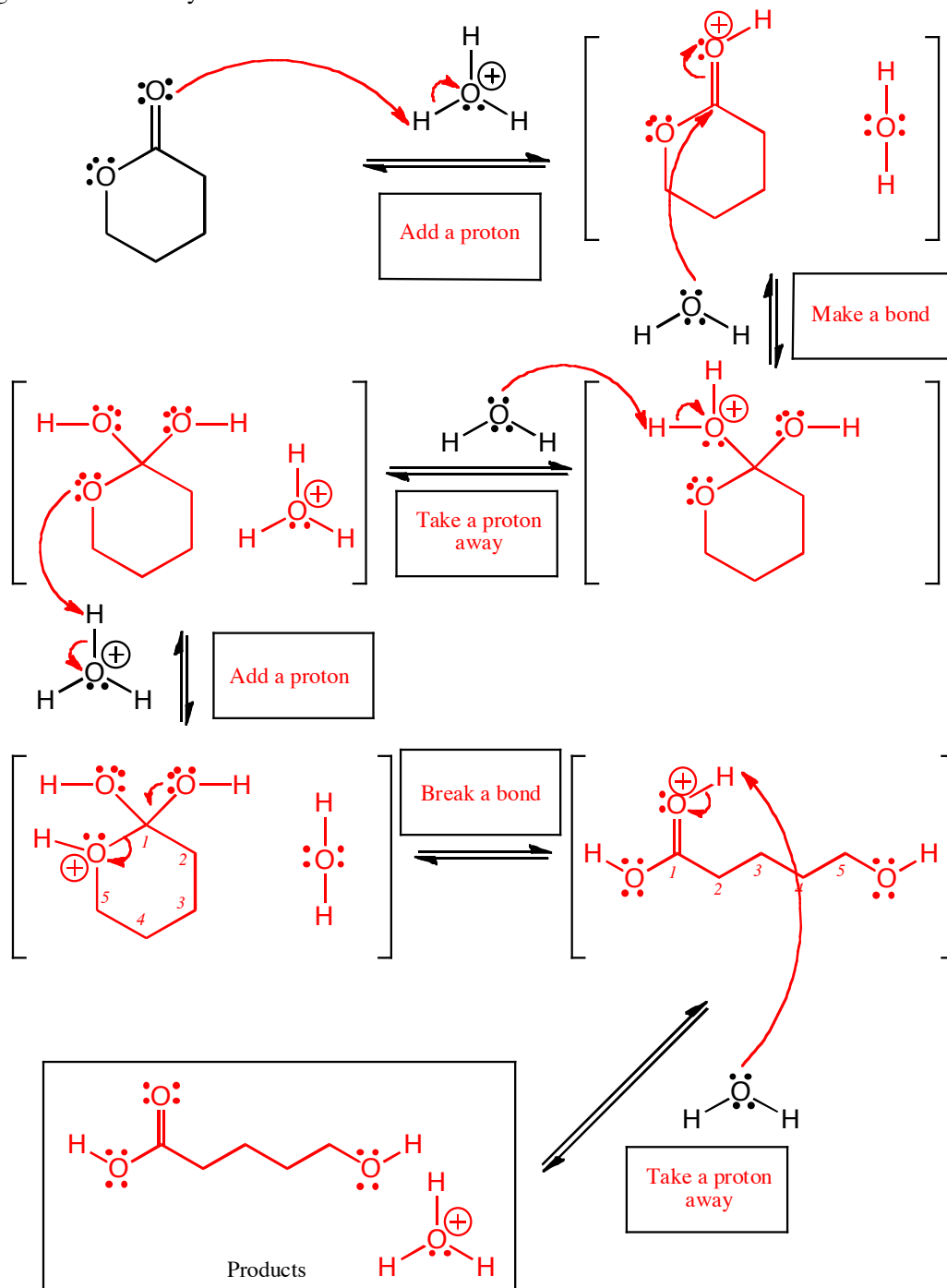




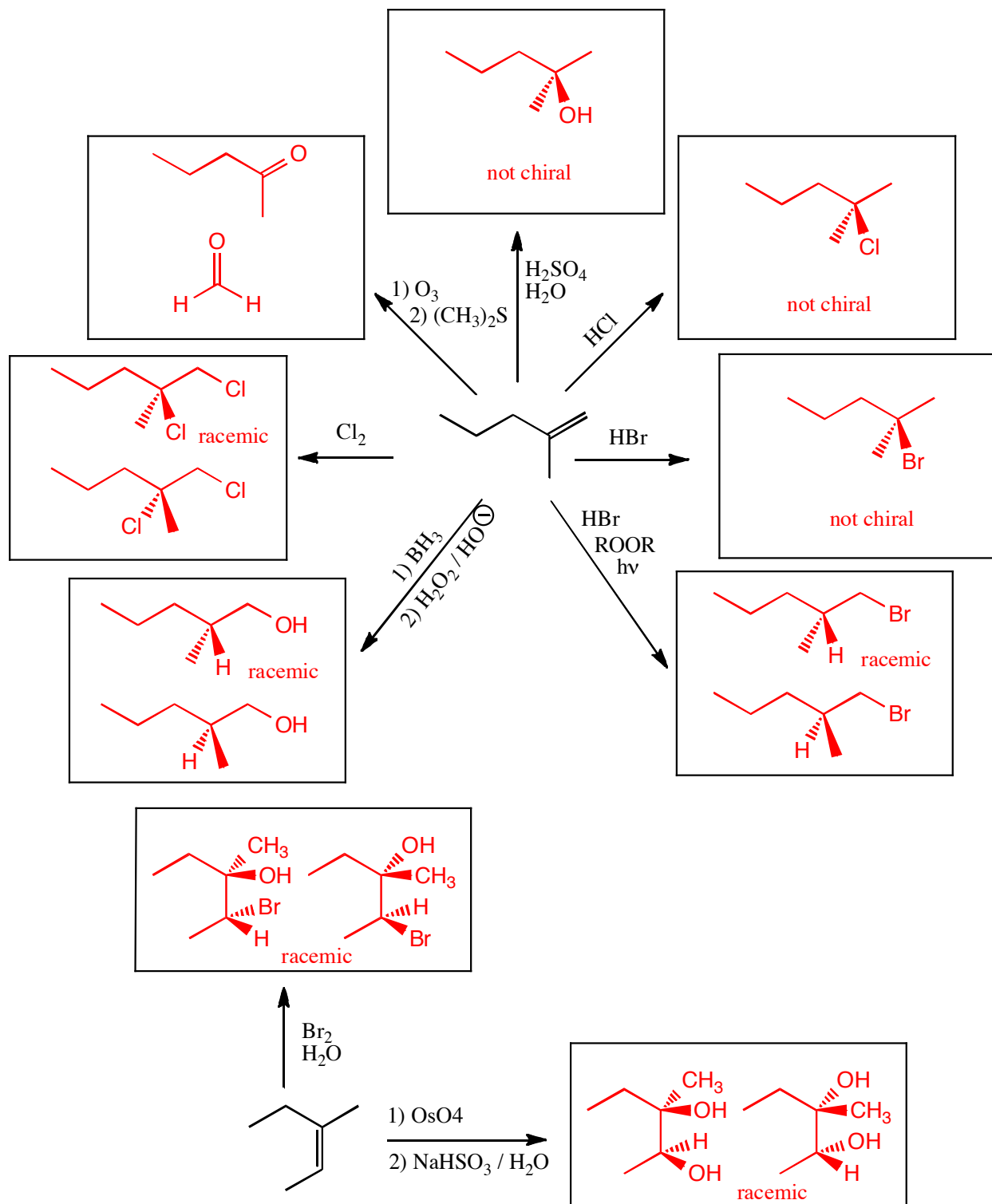
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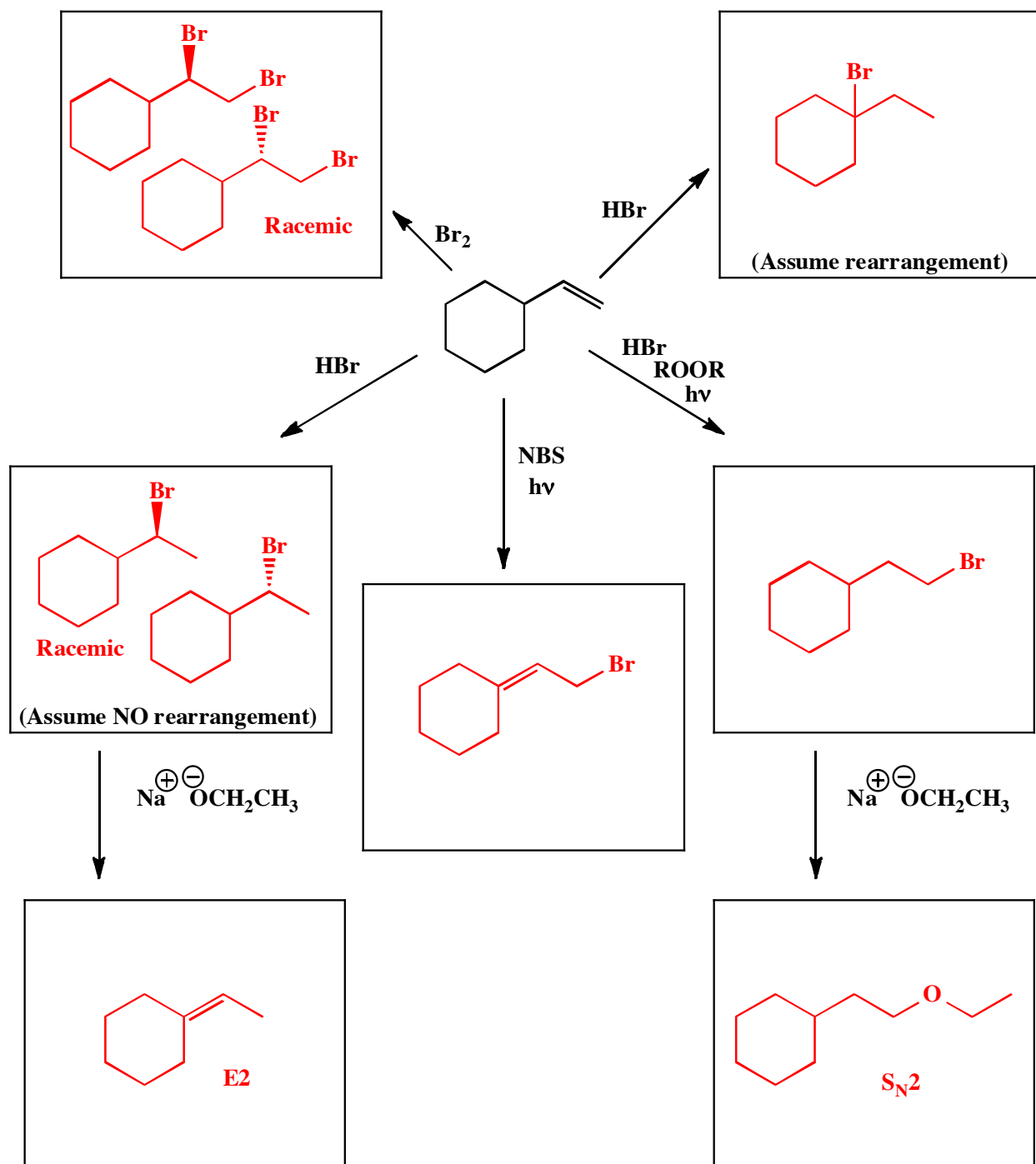
4. Complete the mechanism for the following acid catalyzed hydrolysis reaction. **Be sure to show arrows to indicate movement of all electrons, write all lone pairs, all formal charges, and all the products for each step.** Remember, I said all the products for each step. **IF A NEW CHIRAL CENTER IS CREATED IN AN INTERMEDIATE, MARK IT WITH AN ASTERISK. IF A CHIRAL CENTER IS CREATED IN THE PRODUCTS YOU NEED TO DRAW BOTH ENANTIOMERS, AND LABEL THE PRODUCT MIXTURE AS RACEMIC IF RELEVANT.** In the boxes provided adjacent to the first two sets of arrows, write which of the four basic mechanistic elements are involved (i.e. "Make a bond", "Add a proton", etc.). I realize these directions are complex, so please read them again to make sure you know what we want.



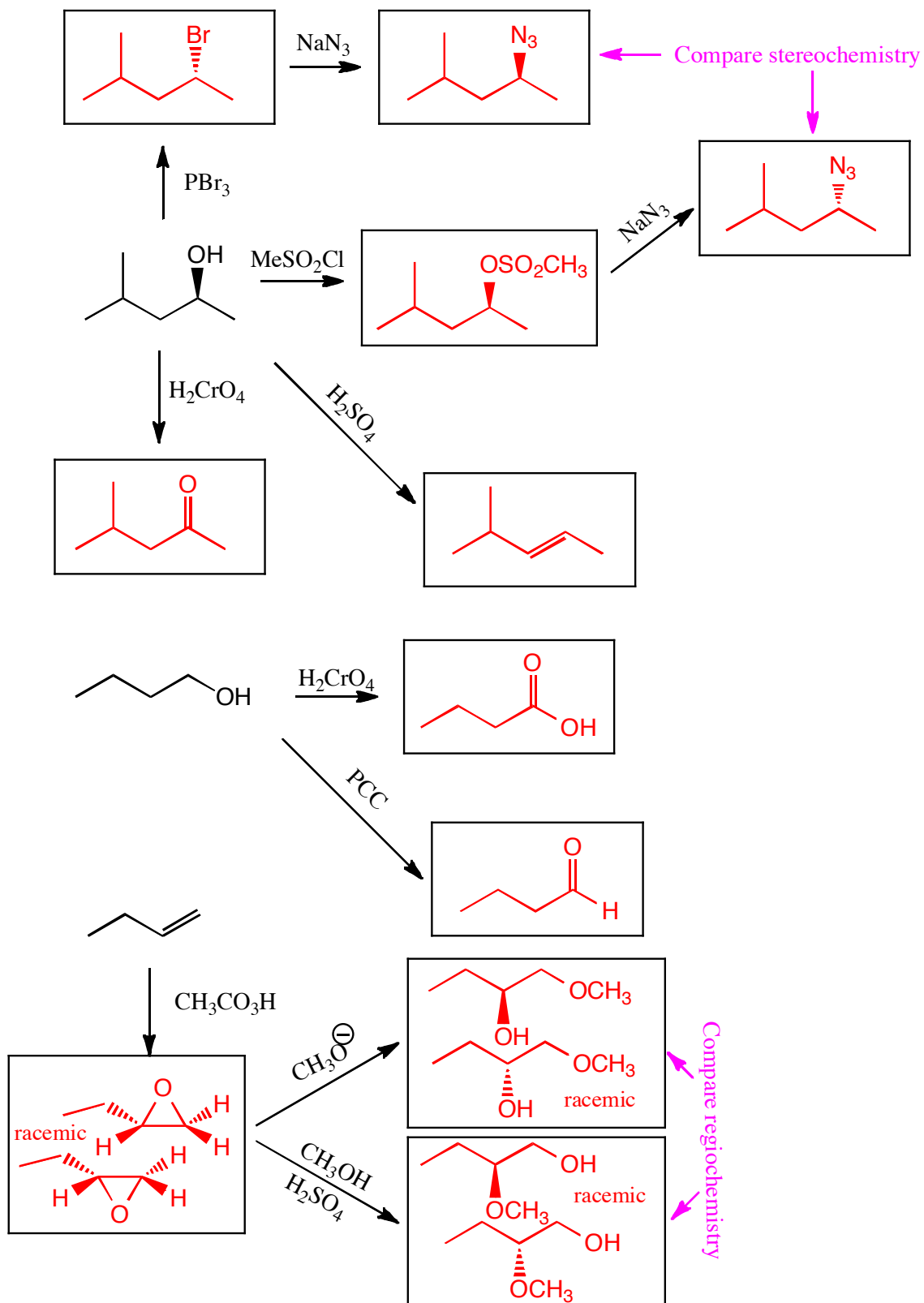
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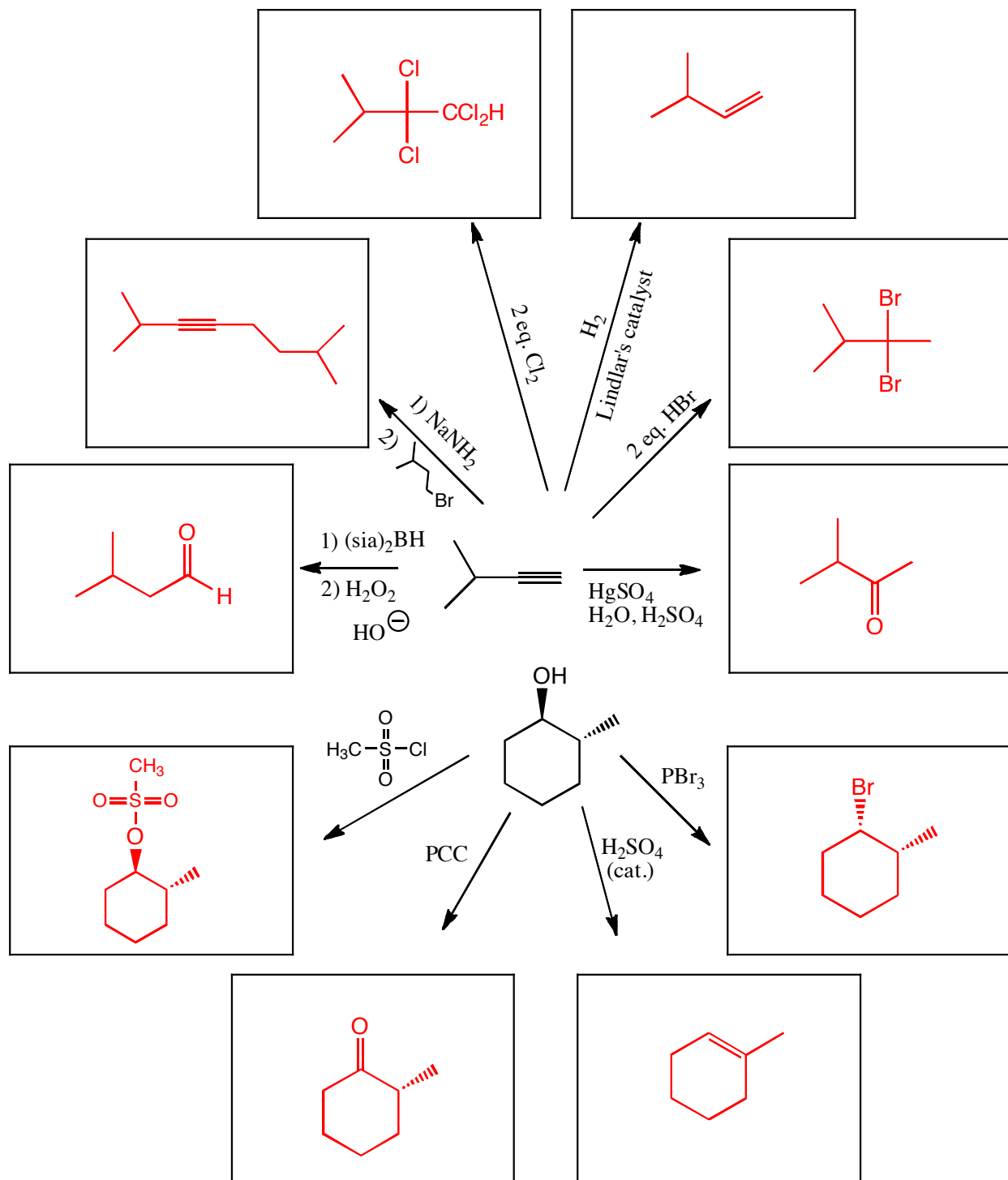


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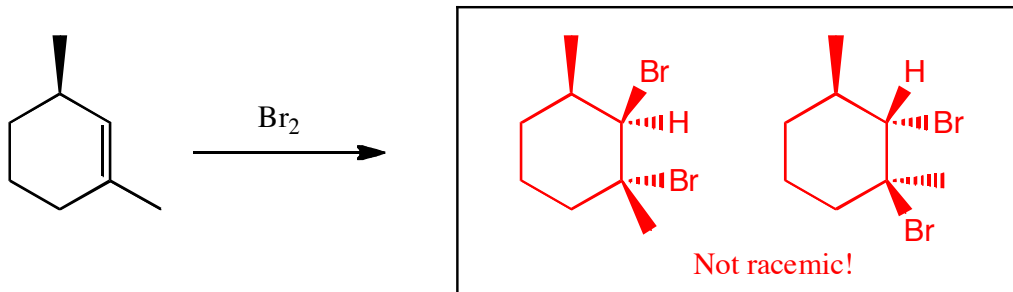
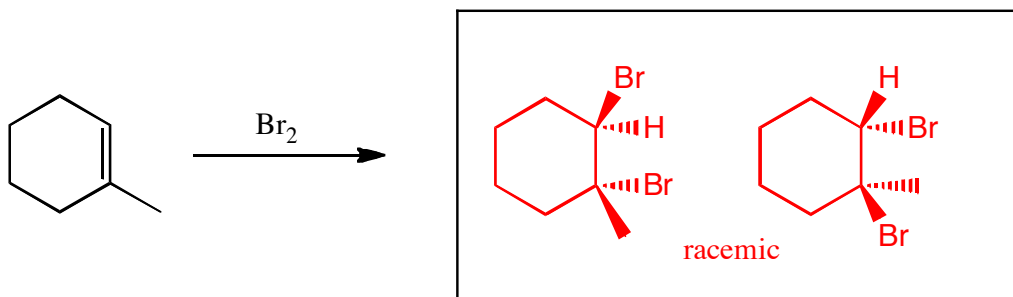
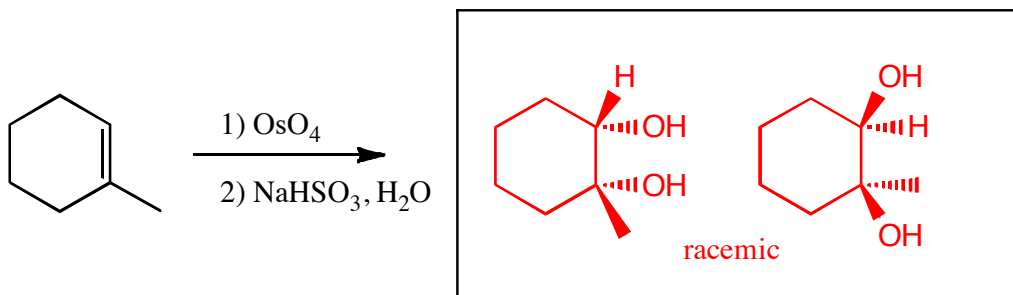
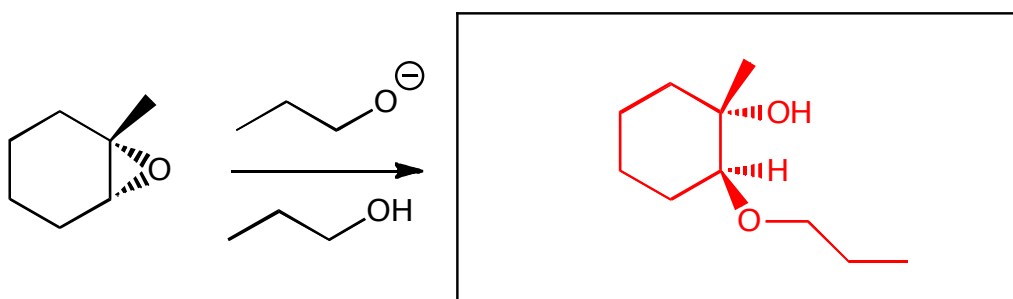
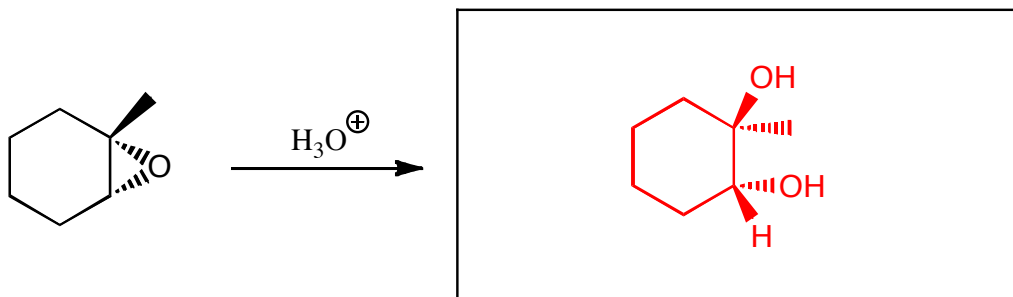




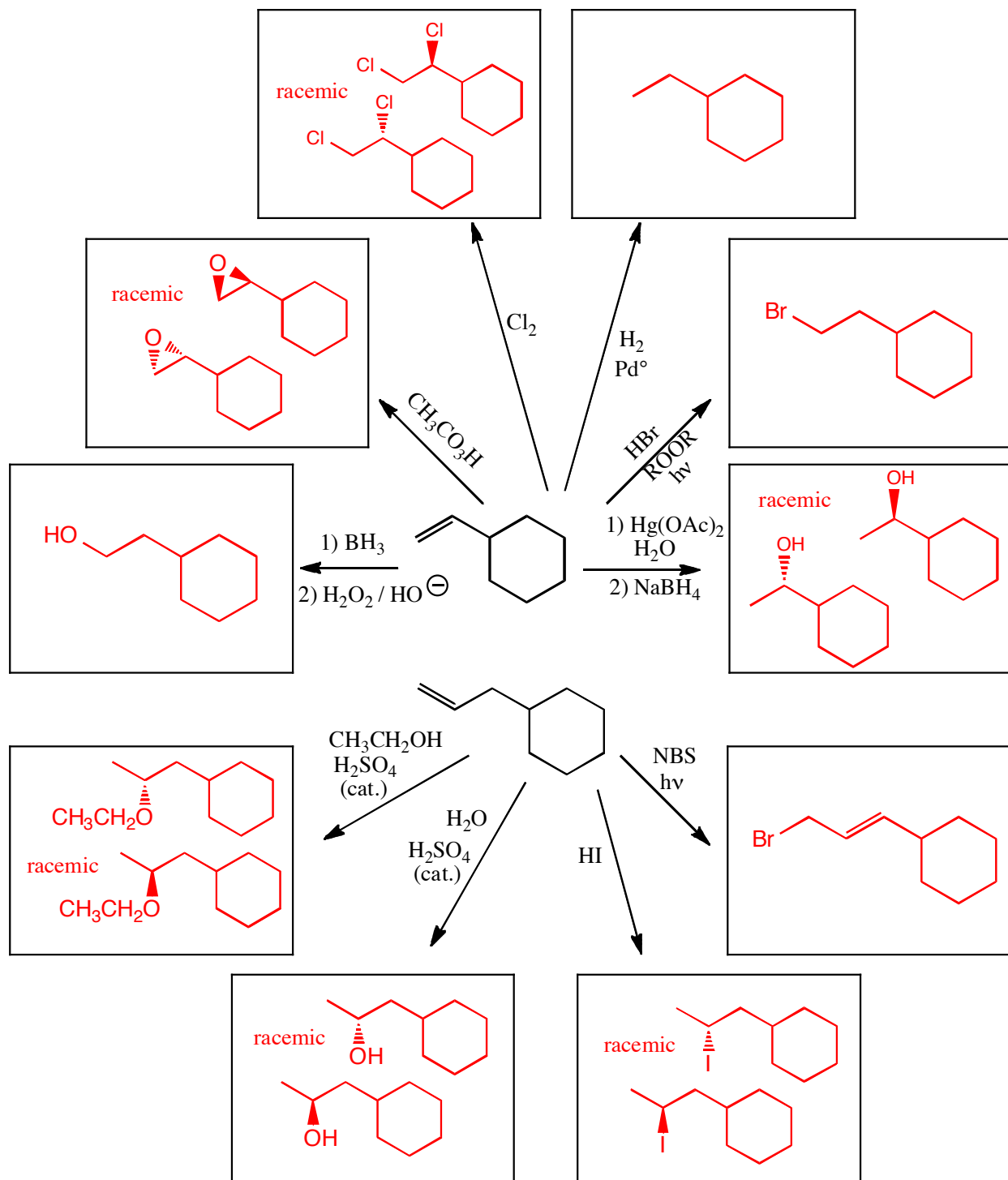
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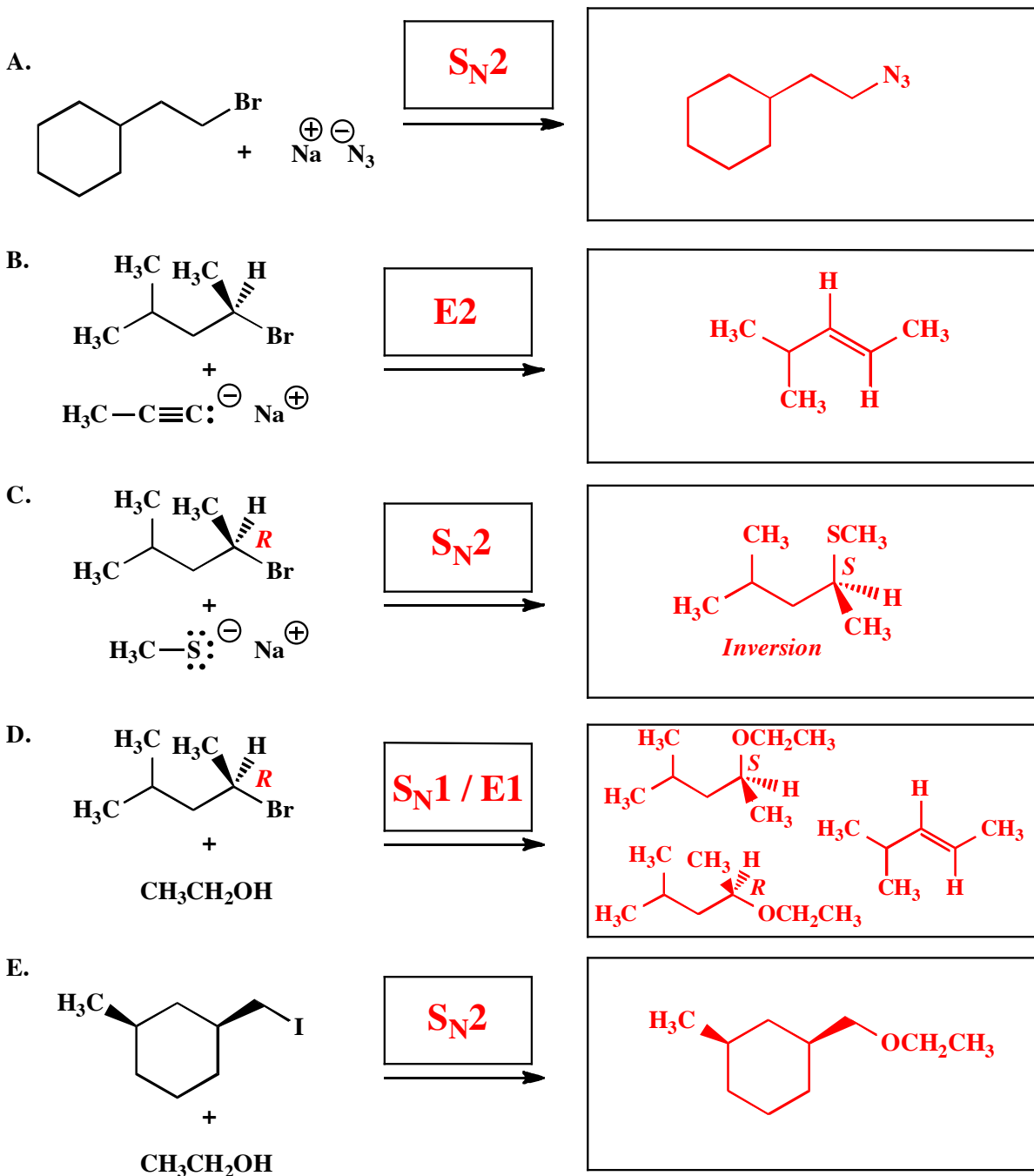
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11. The following reactions all involve chemistry of alkyl halides. Fill in the box above the arrow with the mechanism that will be followed ( $S_N2$ , E2, etc.). Then draw only the predominant product or products and please remember that you must draw the correct stereoisomers. For  $S_N1$ /E1 reactions you must draw all significant products (including all stereoisomers).



12. Many of the reactions we have learned this semester involve steps with nucleophiles reacting with electrophiles. For the following examples of steps in mechanisms we have seen this semester, 1) Draw the intermediate that will be formed when the two molecules react. 2) Draw all formal charges and lone pairs on the intermediates. 3) Draw arrows on the starting materials to indicate the flow of electrons that leads to the intermediate. 4) Finally, draw a box around the nucleophile and a circle around the electrophile in each case. There is no need to draw products or any further steps of the mechanisms. You might want to read these directions again so you know what we want.

