### STUDY OF REACTION MECHANISM: ADDITION REACTIONS

- A reaction in which one molecule combines with another to form a larger molecule with no other products
- A class of chemical reactions in which an atom or group of atoms is added to a molecule

Addition reactions are reverse of Elimination reactions

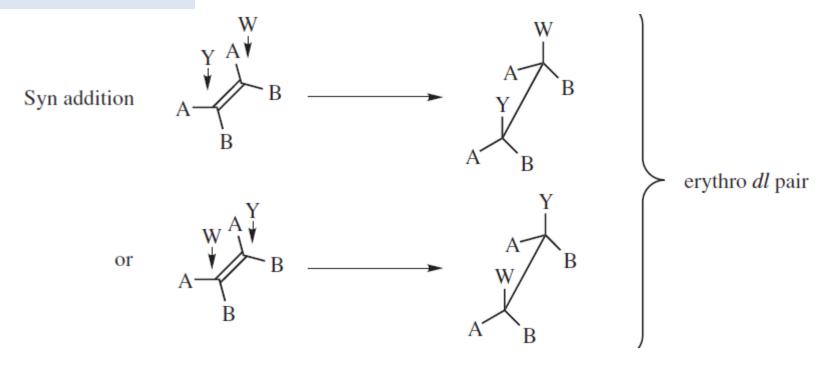
### **TYPES OF ADDITION REACTIONS**

- 1. Addition to Carbon-Carbon Multiple Bonds
  - (i) Electrophilic Addition
  - (ii) Nucleophilic Addition
  - (iii) Free Radical Addition
  - (iv) Concerted or Simultaneous Addition Syn- vs anti- & 1,2- vs 1,4-Addtion
- 2. Addition to Carbon-Hetero Multiple Bonds Tetrahedral Mechanism

# Addition to Carbon-Carbon Multiple Bonds: Electrophilic Addition

Step 1 
$$C = C$$
 +  $Y \oplus$   $Slow$   $Y \oplus$   $Y \oplus$ 

# syn- vs anti-Addition



Anti addition 
$$A \xrightarrow{Y} A \\ B \\ W$$

or  $A \xrightarrow{W} A \\ B \\ Y$ 

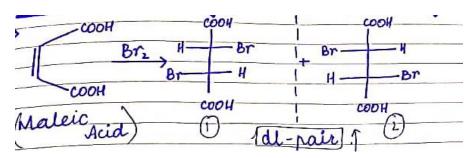
A  $A \xrightarrow{B} B$ 

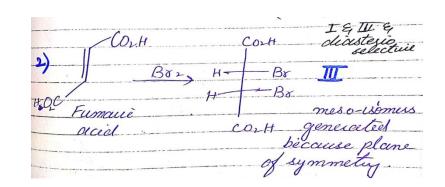
three  $dl$  pair

 $A \xrightarrow{W} A \\ B \\ Y$ 

# Example 1: Addition of Br<sub>2</sub>

#### anti-Addition





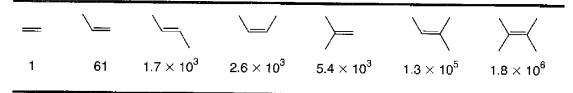
### • 1,2- vs 1-4-Addtion

# Evidence for cyclic bromonium ion

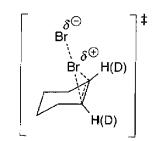
### Stereochemistry

#### **Kinetics**

Relative Rates for Addition of Bromine in Methanol with Added NaBr at 25 °C\*

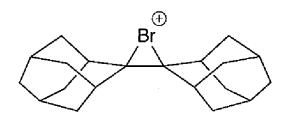


#### Kinetic Isotopic Effect



Bromination isotope effect

#### Isolation



Stable bromonium ion

#### Example 2: Addition of HX

stereochemistry of HX addition is varied.

predominant syn, anti, and nonstereoselective addition.

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & HCI \\
\hline
Slow
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & CI \\
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\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & OAc \\
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\end{array}$$

Third-order kinetics

$$\begin{bmatrix} \delta \ominus \\ CI \\ H \\ \delta \ominus \end{bmatrix} \ddagger \begin{bmatrix} \delta \ominus \\ CI \\ H \\ H \end{bmatrix} \ddagger \begin{bmatrix} \delta \ominus \\ CI \\ \delta \ominus \end{bmatrix}$$
Syn addition from a contact ion pair

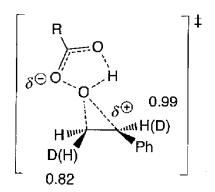
Anti addition occurs from a termolecular reaction

cannot be ascertained

#### • 1,2- vs 1-4-Addtion

#### **Example 3: EPOXIDATION**

Isotopic Effect for Unsymmetrical T.S.



Unsymmetrical transition state

- 1. First order in alkene and first order in peracid
- 2. Hammett  $\sigma$ + correlation yields  $\rho$  = 1.1
- 3. Small Primary kinetic isotopic effect
- 4. Little dependence upon the solvent
- 5. Secondary deuterium istopic effect
- 6. Butterfly mechanism