

**(37) Today**

**Next Class (38)**

**Review**

**10.1:** Reactivities of Alkyl Halides

**11.1 - 11.6:** Substitution Reactions

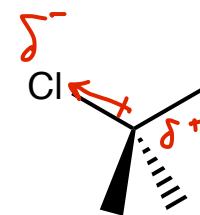
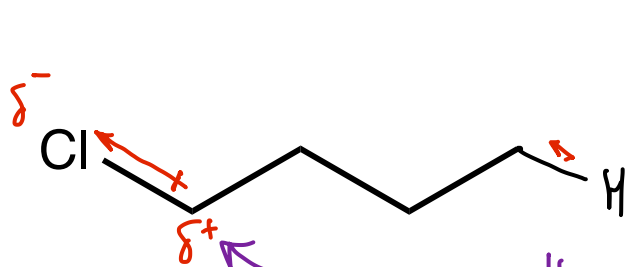
**(39) Second Class from Today**

**Review**

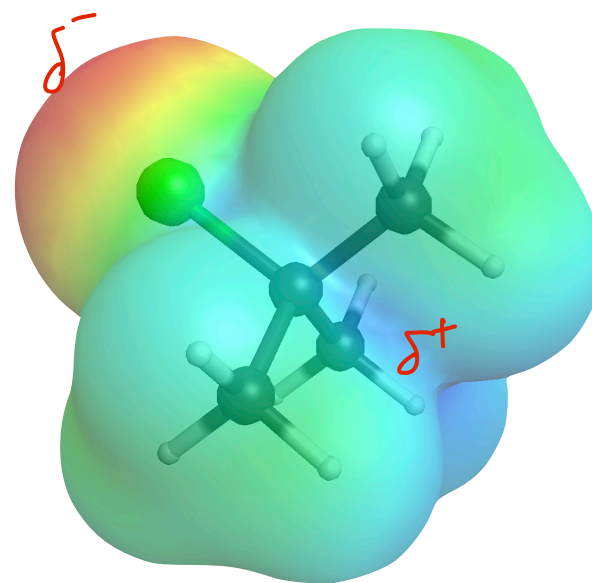
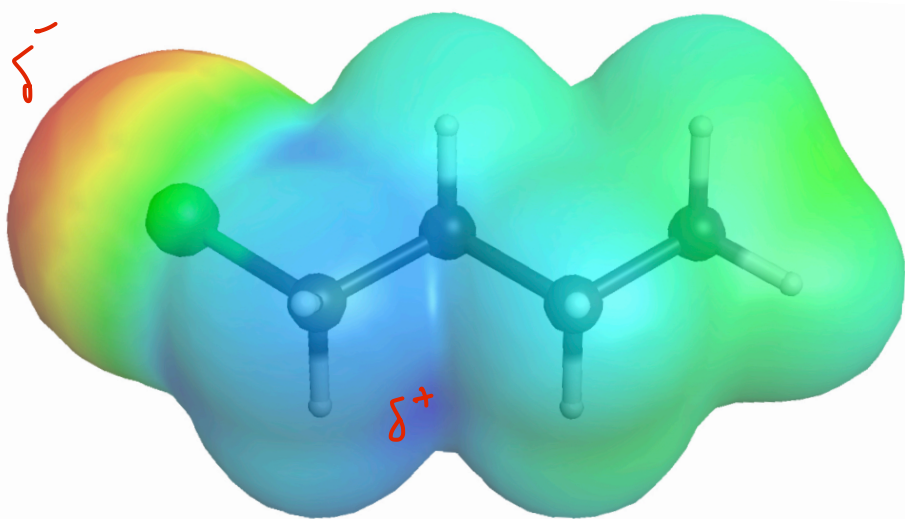
Rework test 3 and hand in on Wednesday, December 10. Remember this is a separate assignment and is worth 5% of your overall grade.

The final for the 9:20 to 10:10 class is Wednesday, December 17 from 12:20 to 2:20.

The final for the 10:25 to 11:15 class it is Monday, December 15 from 12:20 to 2:20.



attractive to  $e^-$  rich things... nucleophiles



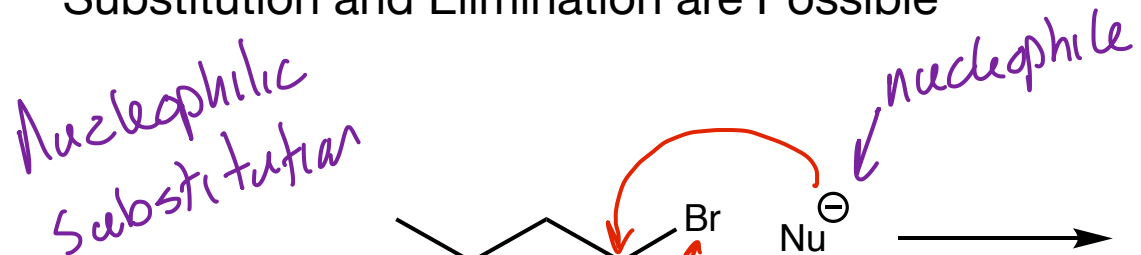
the  $C$  atoms at the end of the  $C$  to  $Cl$  bond are electrophilic

$X = Cl^-, Br^-, I^-$  low energy ions...  $NaCl \xrightarrow{H_2O} Na^+(aq) + Cl^-(aq)$

$HX \rightarrow H^+(aq) + X^-(aq)$  are strong acids because  $Cl^-, Br^-,$  and  $I^-$  are low energy ions

# Substitution and Elimination are Possible

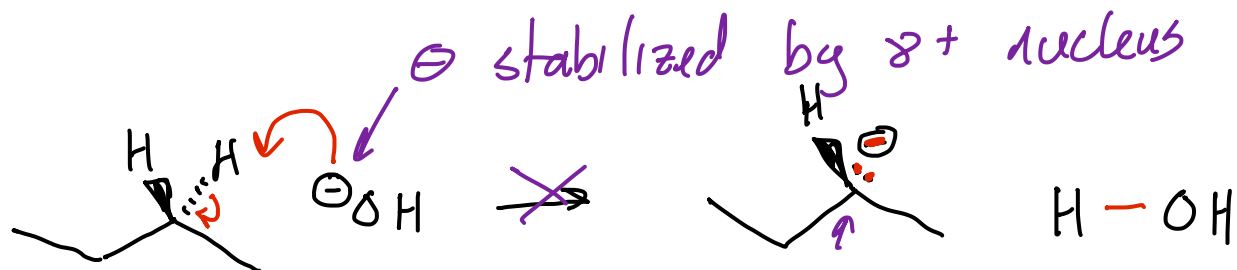
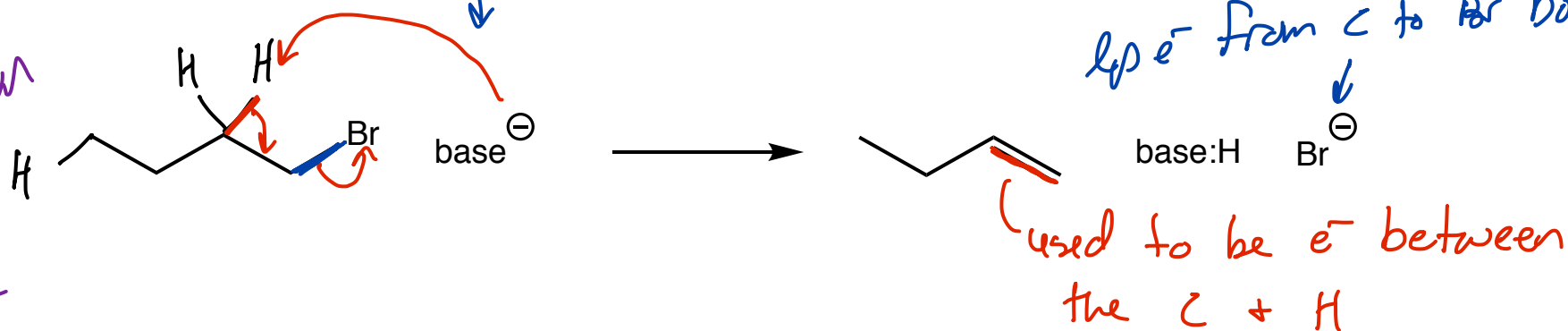
Sections 11.1 and 11.7



$\ominus\text{OH}$   $e^-$  rich... attractive to electrophiles... nucleophile

$\ominus\text{OH}$   $e^-$  rich... high E... can act as a base... abstract  $\text{H}^+$

*elimination*  
*next semester*



Reasonable? No...  $\text{C}^\ominus$  much less stable than  $\text{O}^\ominus$  }  $\ominus$  stabilized by  $6^+$  nucleus in

## Overview

Nucleophilic Substitution and Mechanisms of Nucleophilic substitution: predict products and draw mechanisms

$S_N2$  access  $S_N1$   $c^+$  stability

Factors affecting nucleophilic substitution: describe and explain

Competition between  $S_N1$  and  $S_N2$  Mechanisms: predict likely predominant mechanism

Alcohols as Substrates in Substitution Reactions: predict products and describe reactions

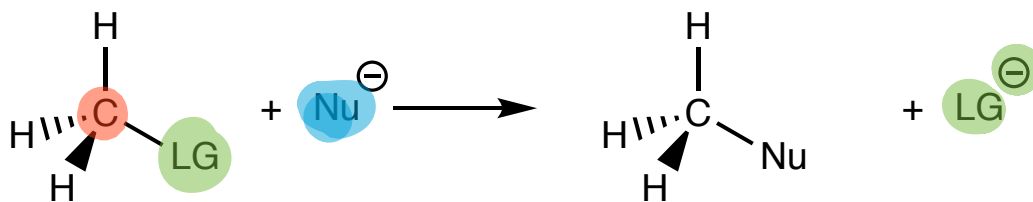
Elimination Reactions and Mechanisms of Elimination Reactions

Factors affecting elimination reactions

Competition between E1 and E2 Mechanisms

Alcohols as Substrates in Elimination Reactions

Competition between Substitution and Elimination Reactions

 **$\alpha$ -Carbon**

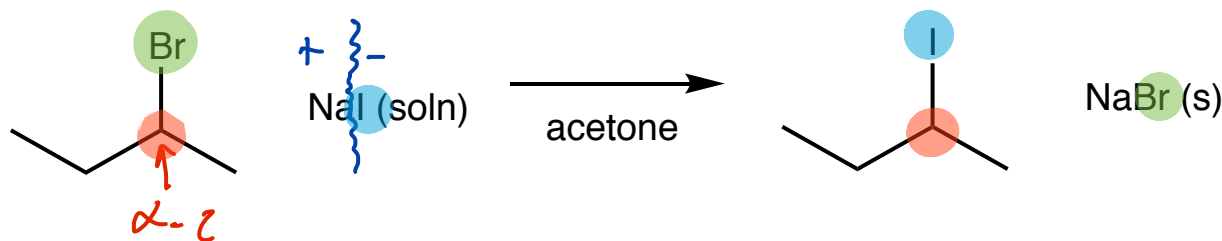
the C atom with the LG on it  
 the C atom with the halogen bonded to it  
 the C atom where the substitution occurs

**Nucleophile**

$e^-$  rich atom/ion/molecule that substitutes in for  
 the leaving group

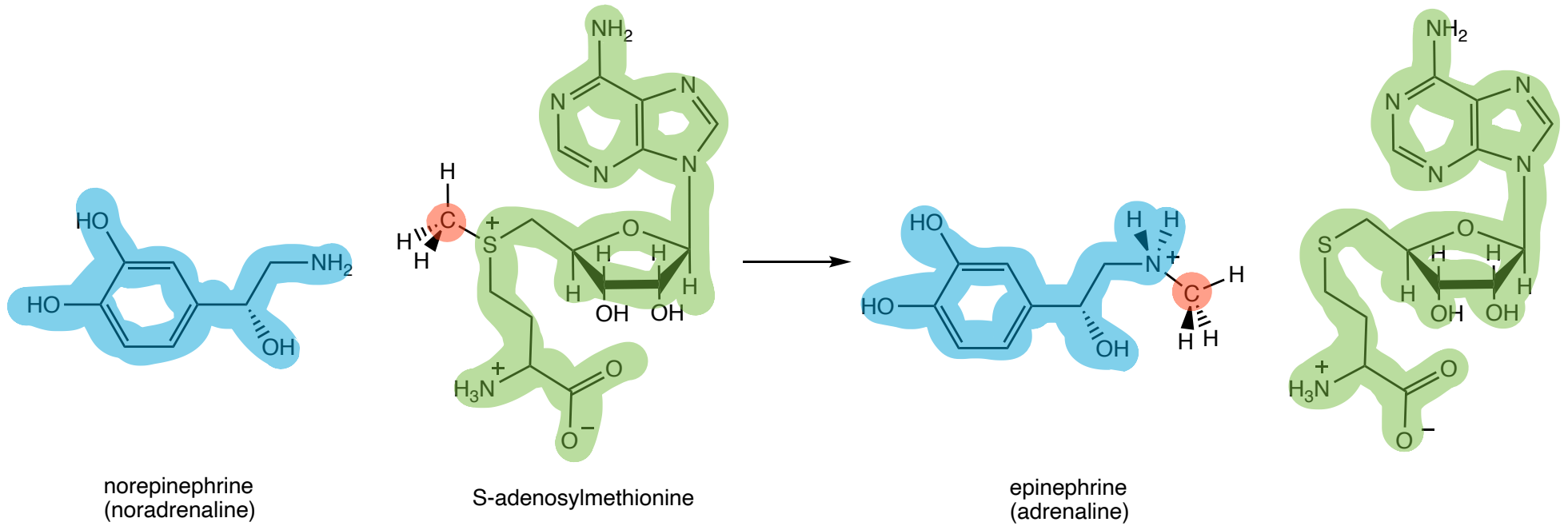
**Leaving Group**

the atom/group that leaves and carries away  
 $e^-$



# Nucleophilic Substitution Reactions in Biology

$S_N2$





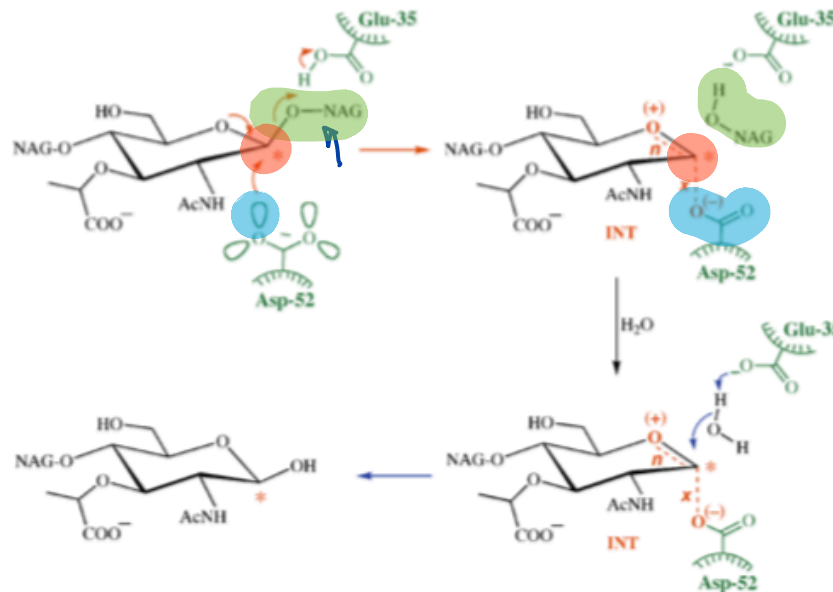
## The lysozyme mechanism sorted — after 50 years

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Unambiguous evidence for a glycosyl-enzyme intermediate on the lysozyme reaction pathway has recently been reported, finally settling what kind of mechanism this textbook enzyme uses.

The publication in 1965<sup>1</sup> of the hen egg white lysozyme crystal structure — the first such structure of any enzyme — was a major landmark, offering the prospect of detailed explanations of enzyme mechanisms at the molecular level. Such mechanisms involve some of the most subtle relationships between structure and function in all of biology, as enzymes have to recognize and thus stabilize transition states, which probably exist for only femtoseconds. Because the structure of lysozyme was a first, and because of the coherent messages the structure seemed to provide, lysozyme has been a textbook example of enzyme mechanism ever since. Now, in a recent issue of *Nature*, Vocadlo *et al.*<sup>2</sup> report new evidence about the mechanism of lysozyme, information that has been sought after for almost 50 years.

Lysozyme is the most prominent member of the very large class of glycosidases or glycohydrolases, enzymes that catalyze the transfer of a glycosyl group to water. *In vivo* lysozyme catalyzes the hydrolysis of a polysaccharide component of the cell wall of Gram-positive bacteria. To do this it accelerates enormously the extraordi-



**Fig. 1** The reaction catalyzed by lysozyme. The substrate is bound so that the leaving group oxygen, the 4-OH group of an N-acetylglucosamine (NAG) residue, is protonated as it leaves by the COOH group of Glu 35. Groups on the enzyme are colored green, electron movement and the key developing bonds and charges in red. Only one of the dashed *exo* and *endo* (*x* and *n*) bonds of the intermediate (INT) is actually present: which one defines the mechanism. Thus *n* is missing in mechanism (i), *x* in mechanism (ii).

# Mechanisms of Nucleophilic Substitution: $S_N1$ and $S_N2$

Sections 11.2 and 11.4

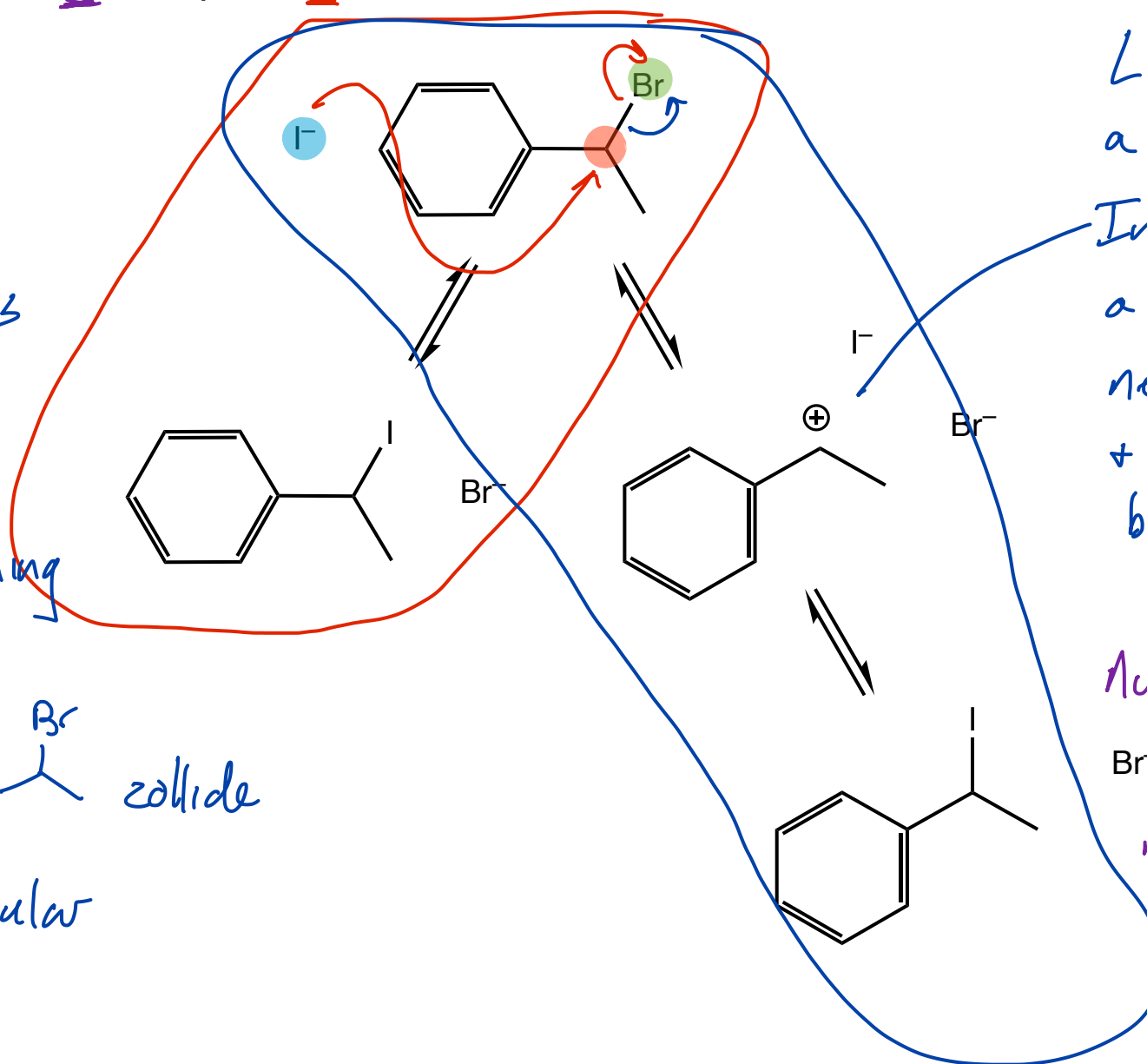
$S_N2$  is

because  
two things  
collide in  
the  
rate determining

(only) step

$I^- + \text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Br}$  collide

2 = bimolecular



LG leaves and  
a  $C^+$  forms.

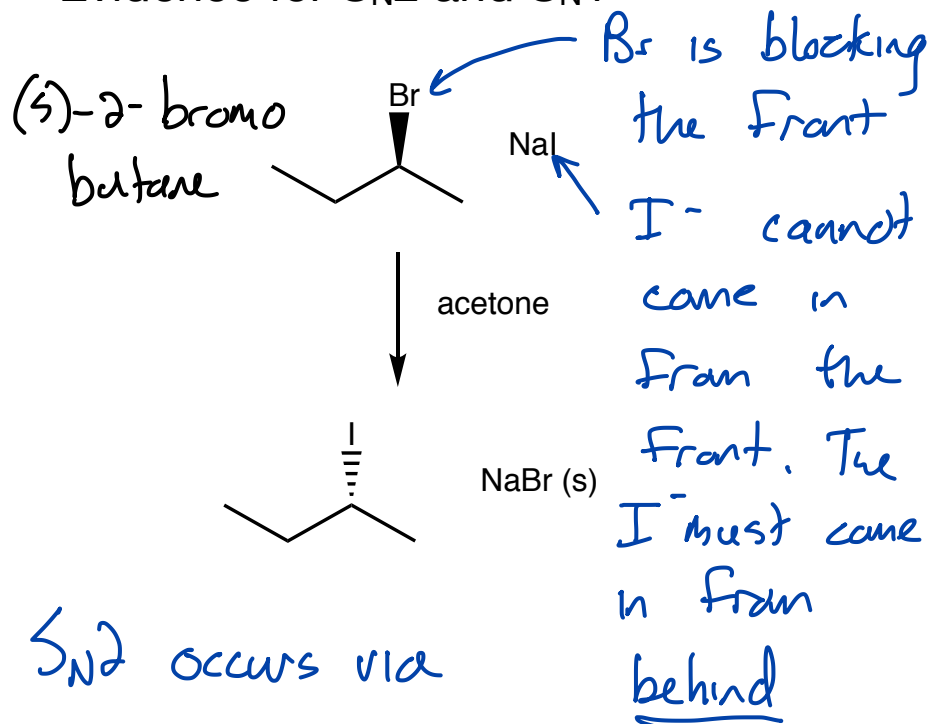
In this example  
a  $2^\circ C^+$  is  
next to  $\pi$  bonds  
+ is stabilized  
by  $e^-$   
delocalization

Nucleophile has to  
 $Br^-$  wait for one  
molecule to  
ionize  
 $S_N1$

Which mechanism runs depends on reactants and conditions used



## Evidence for S<sub>N</sub>2 and S<sub>N</sub>1

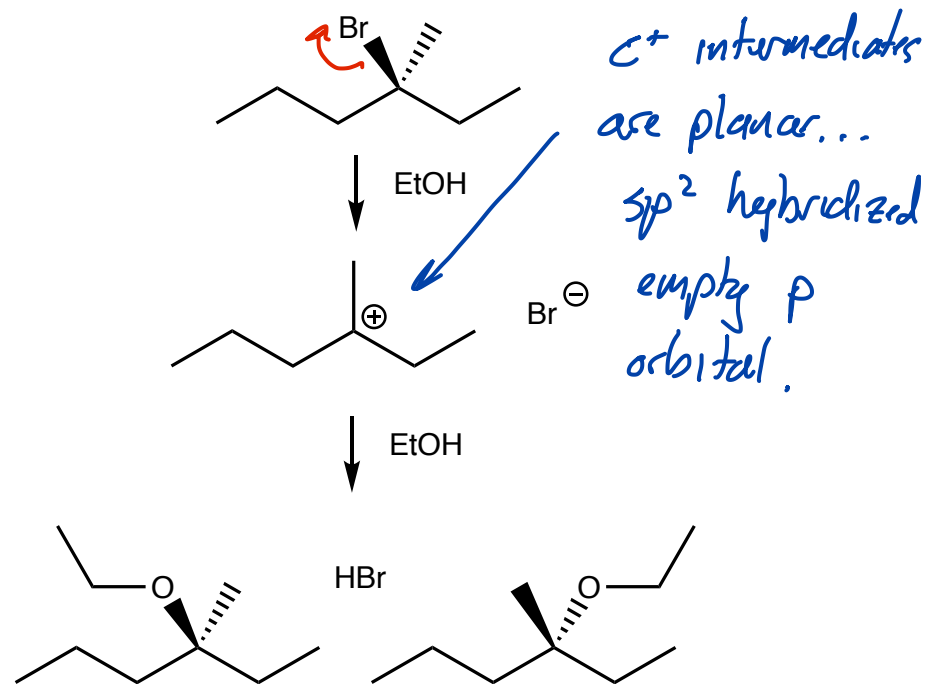


S<sub>N</sub>2 occurs via backside attack of the α-C

enantiomerically pure reactant

↓  
inverted and enantiomerically pure product

## Section 11.2 and 11.4



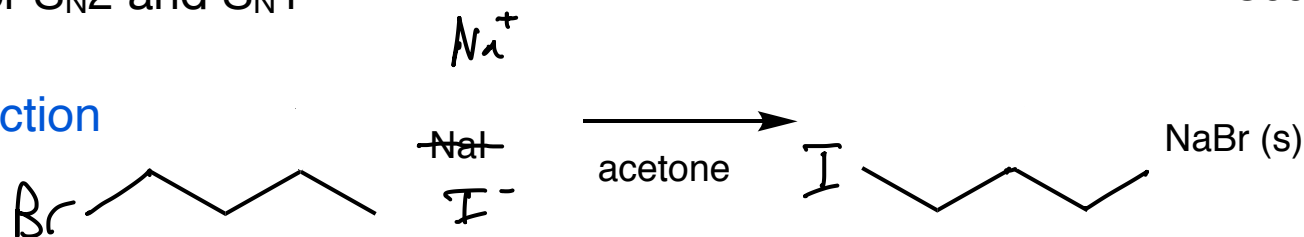
S<sub>N</sub>1 forms c<sup>+</sup> so the Nu can come in from either side

enantiomerically pure reactant

↓  
mixture of enantiomers in the product

Rate laws must be determined experimentally:  $\text{rate} = k [\text{A}]^x [\text{B}]^y$   
 Evidence for  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$  and  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}1$  Section 11.2 and 11.4

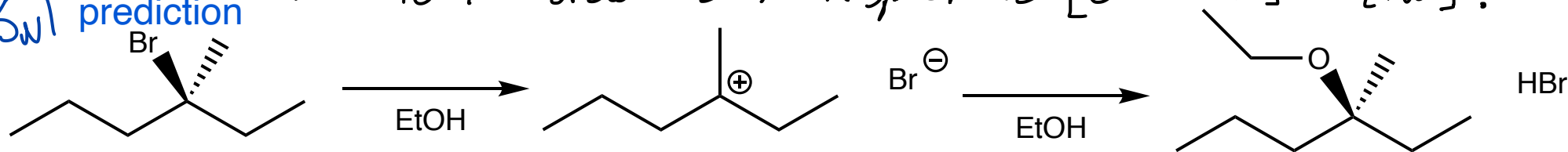
$\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$  prediction



$$\text{rate} = k [\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Br}][\text{I}^-]^1$$

Since each molecule must collide with the other, doubling the conc of one doubles the chance of a collision... so you would be doubling the rate. Thus,  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$  predicts that rate is 1<sup>st</sup> order with respect to [substrate] + [Nu].

$\text{S}_{\text{N}}1$  prediction

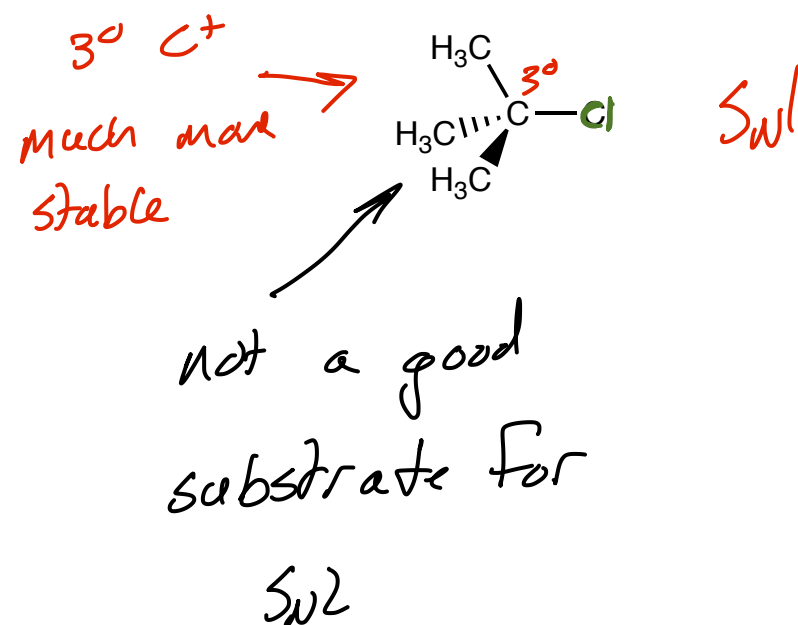
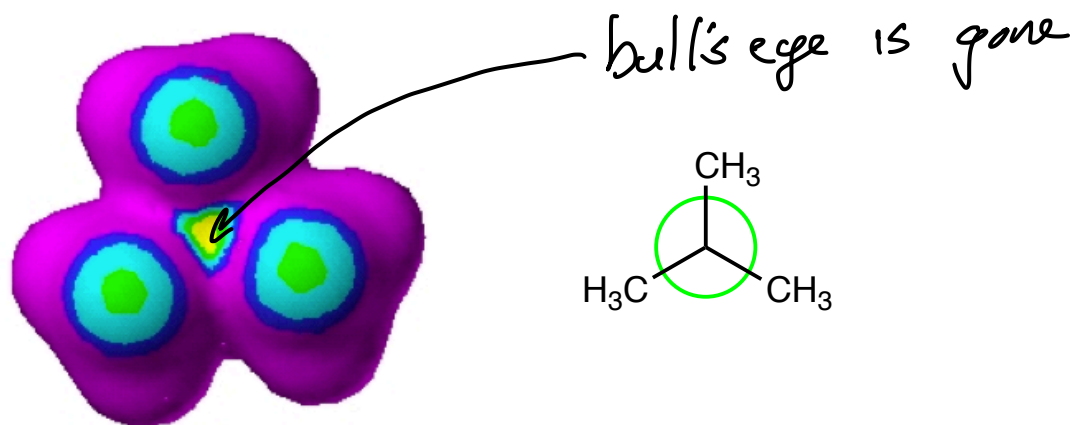
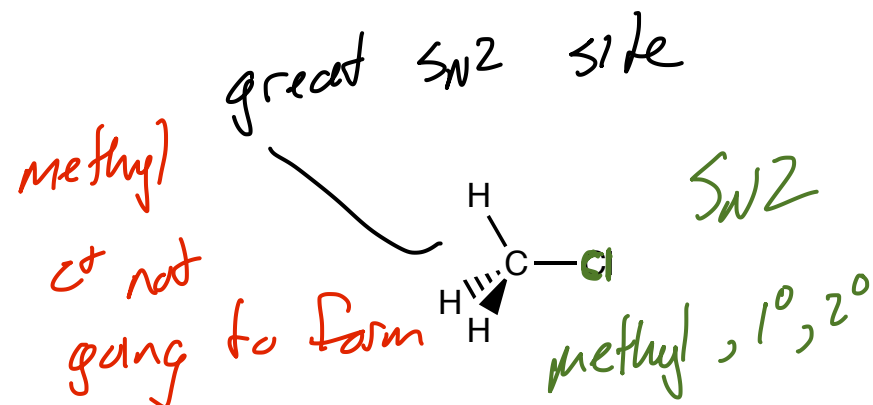
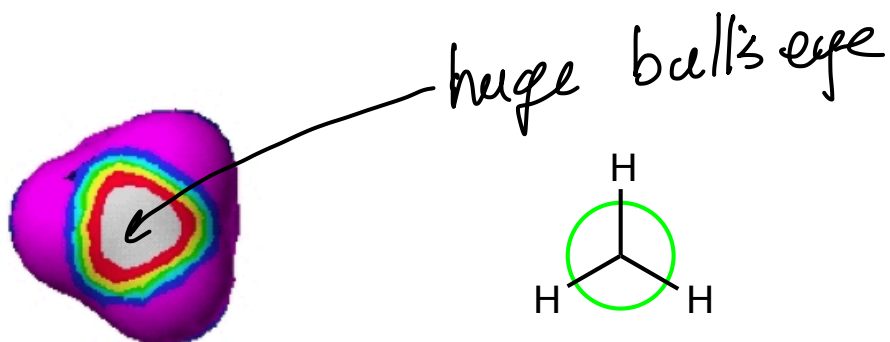


$$\text{rate} = k [\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Br}][\text{Nu}]^0$$

Since Nu is not present in the rate determining step,

the rxn is zero order w/r/t [Nu]

Rate does not depend on the conc of the Nu.



bull's-eye shows  
where molecule is  
likely to do nucleophilic  
substitution