

## Lecture 22: Asymmetric Catalysis

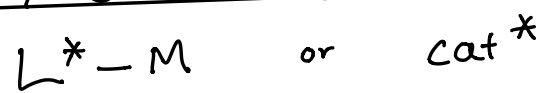
### Announcements

- Problem Set 6 is posted on the course website. Due Fri, 12/8 by 5pm to Mary's office (209 LDL)
- Extra practice problems also posted on course website (just 2).
- Online course evaluations: Fri, 12/1 – Sun, 12/10: <http://www.udel.edu/course-evals/>
- Seminars:
  - Biochem Faculty Candidate: Glen Liszczak, Fri, 10am, 219 BRL, ***Seq-ing answers: Decoding epigenetic mechanisms with protein chemistry***
  - Prof. Chris Jeffrey, Fri, 4pm, 219 BRL, ***Exploring natural products variation leads to chemical discoveries***

### Today

- Asymmetric Catalysis
  - Design principles
  - Kinetic considerations
- Other mech experiments

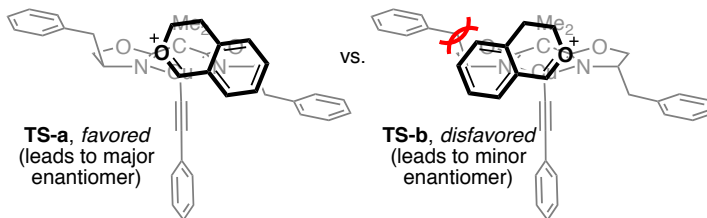
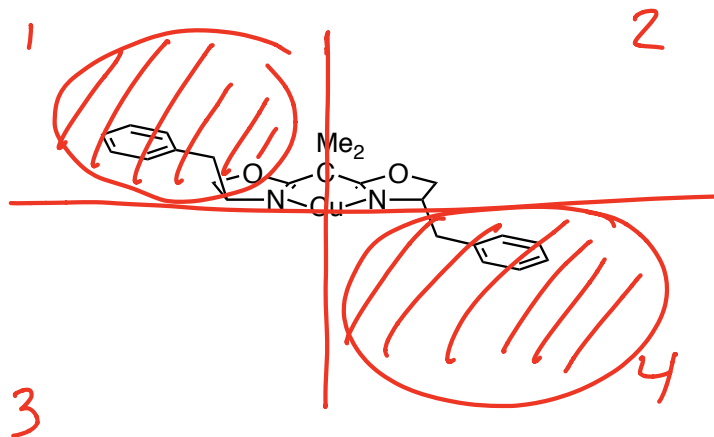
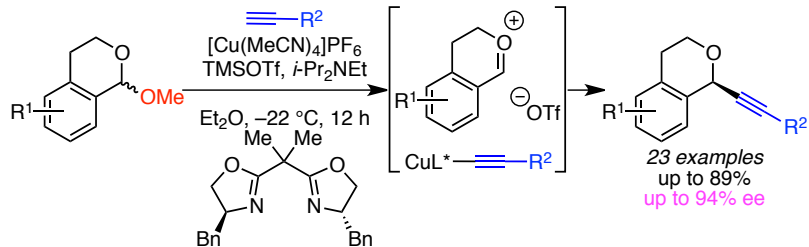
## Catalyst/Ligand Design



Design Principles:

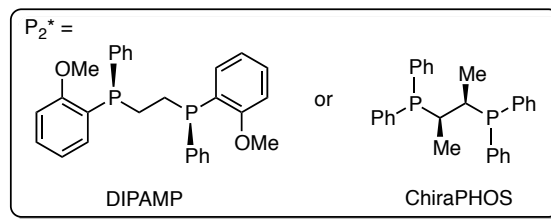
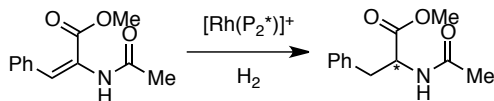
- i) Symmetry  
→ often  $C_2$

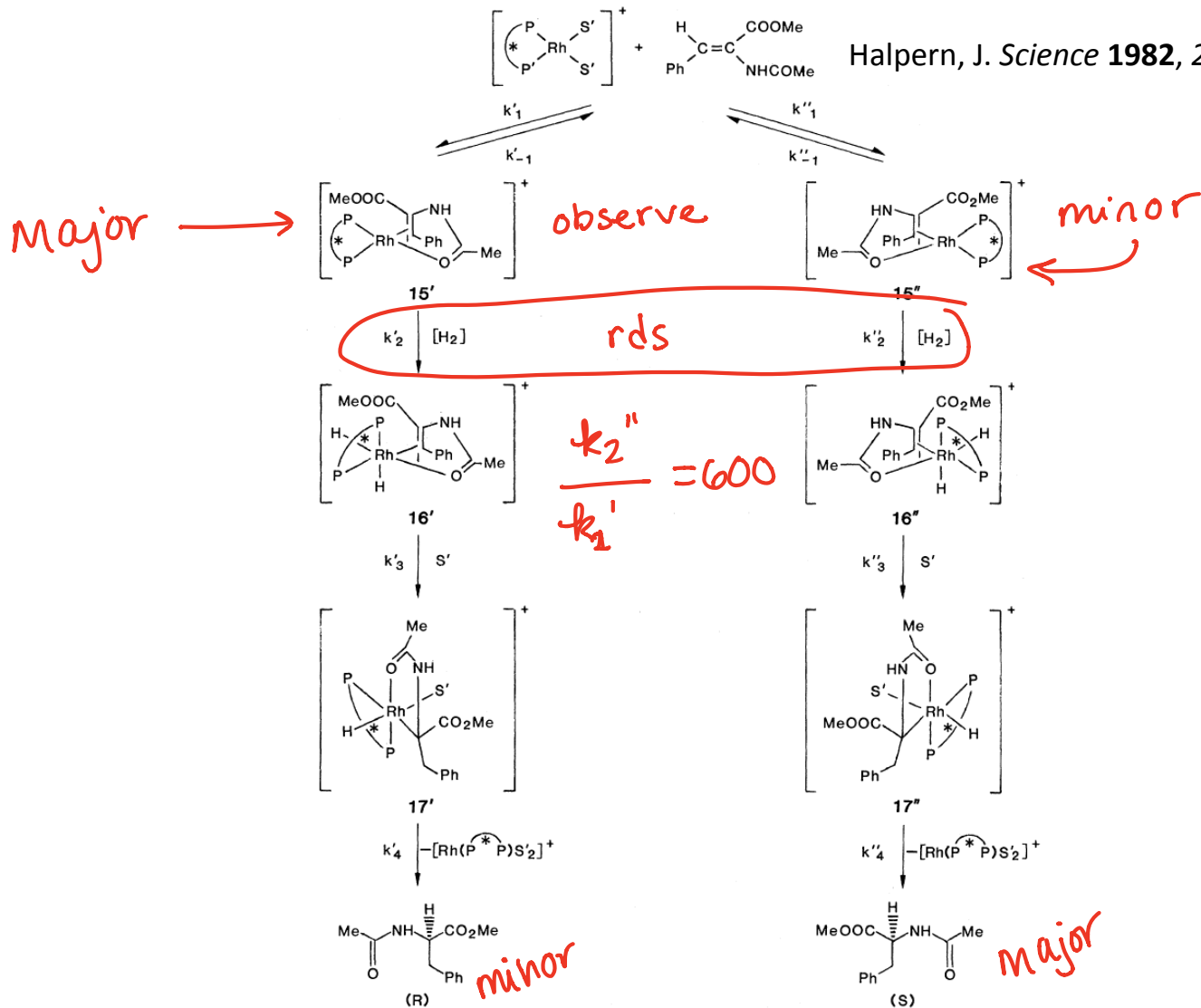
# Quadrant Formalism

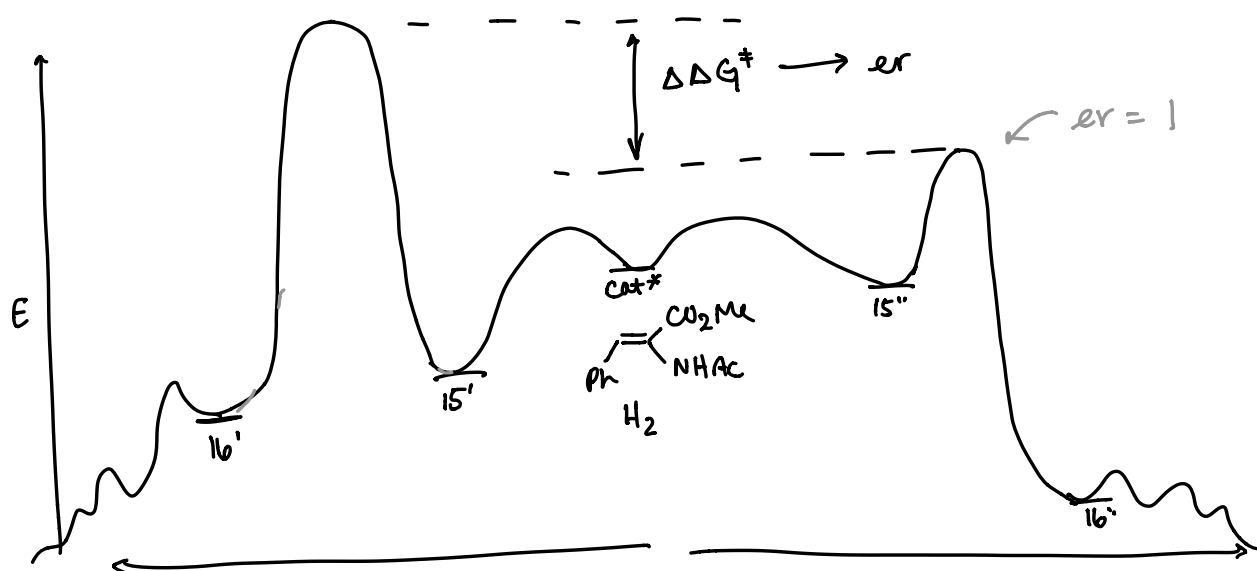


2<sup>nd</sup> Design Principle: It's hard to depict TS's... so people often think about intermediates. This can be completely wrong.

# Asymmetric Hydrogenation & Curtin-Hammett Situations



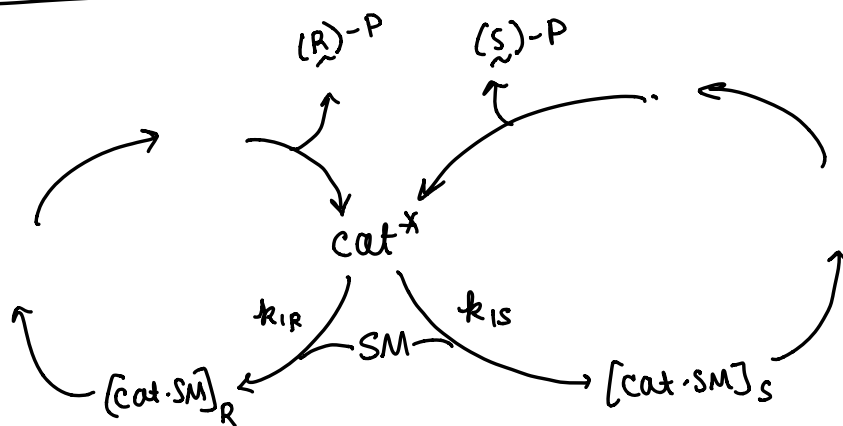




Curtin-Hammett Situation:

- Rapid equilibration of intermediates before rds/enantiodetermining step.

### Kinetic Considerations



$$k_{1R} \neq k_{1S}$$

$$\text{rate} = \frac{d[(R)-P]}{dt} + \frac{d[(S)-P]}{dt}$$

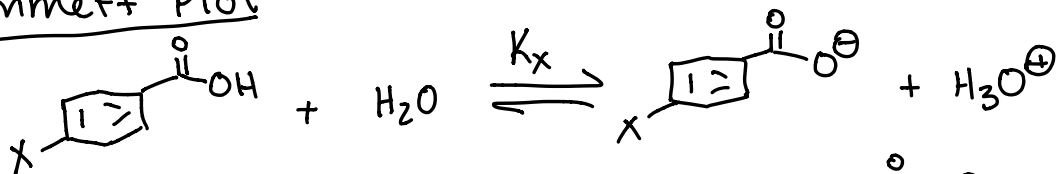
$$\text{rate}_R = \frac{k_{1R} k_{2R} k_{3R} \dots [\text{cat}^*]_{\text{total}} [\text{SM}] [\dots]}{k_{-1R} \dots + [\text{cat} \cdot \text{SM}]_R + [\text{cat} \cdot \text{SM}]_S}$$

## Other Mechanistic Tools

### Linear Free Energy Relationships (LFER's)

- probes substituent effects on kinetics or thermodynamics of a reaction

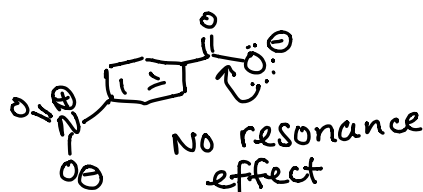
### Hammett Plot



$K_x$  vs.  $K_H$

$$\sigma_p = \log \left( \frac{K_x}{K_H} \right) = \text{p}K_{aH} - \text{p}K_{aX}$$

↑ measure of substituent's ability to donate/withdraw  $e^-$  density by induction



$\sigma_p > 0 \Rightarrow X$  is better at stabilizing  $\ominus$  than H

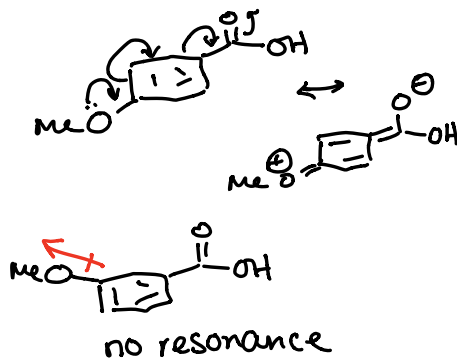
$X$  = inductively electron-withdrawing

$\sigma_p < 0 \Rightarrow X$  = inductively electron-donating

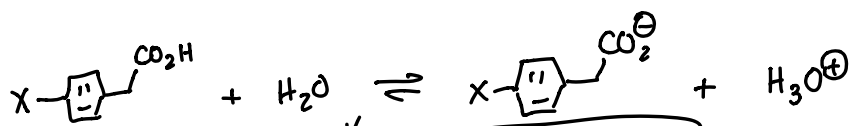
Table 8.2 for common substituents (A & D)

Position matters:

X	$\sigma_p$	$\sigma_m$
<chem>H3CO-</chem>	-0.27	+0.10
<chem>HO-</chem>	-0.38	+0.13



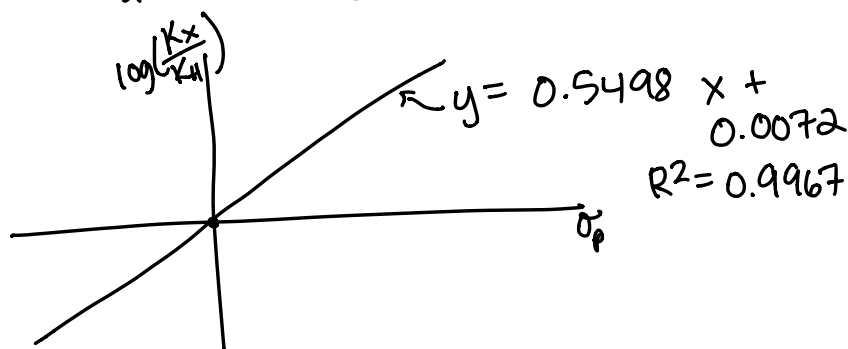
Why is this useful?



X	$\sigma_p$	$\frac{K_{\text{sub}}}{K_{\text{unsub}}}$	$\log(\downarrow)$
Me	-0.14	0.87	-0.060
OMe	-0.27	0.89	-0.051
H	0	1	0
Cl	0.24	1.32	0.1257
NO <sub>2</sub>	0.81	2.89	0.4609

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Hammett Plot:



Slope = +0.55 =  $\rho$

$\oplus \rho \Rightarrow$  Build-up of  $\ominus$  charge

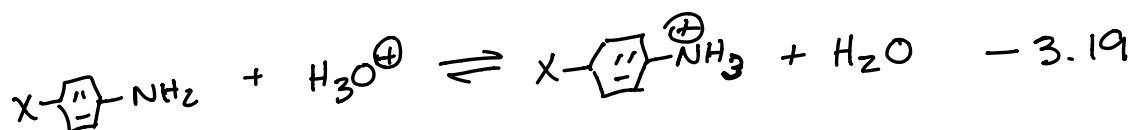
$\ominus \rho \Rightarrow$  Build-up of  $\oplus$  charge



$\frac{\rho}{2.26}$



-1.05

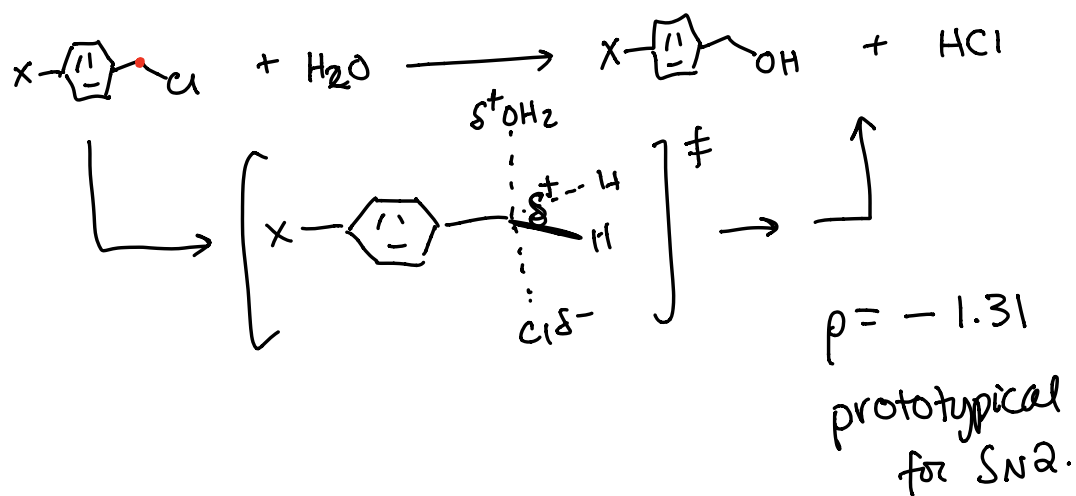
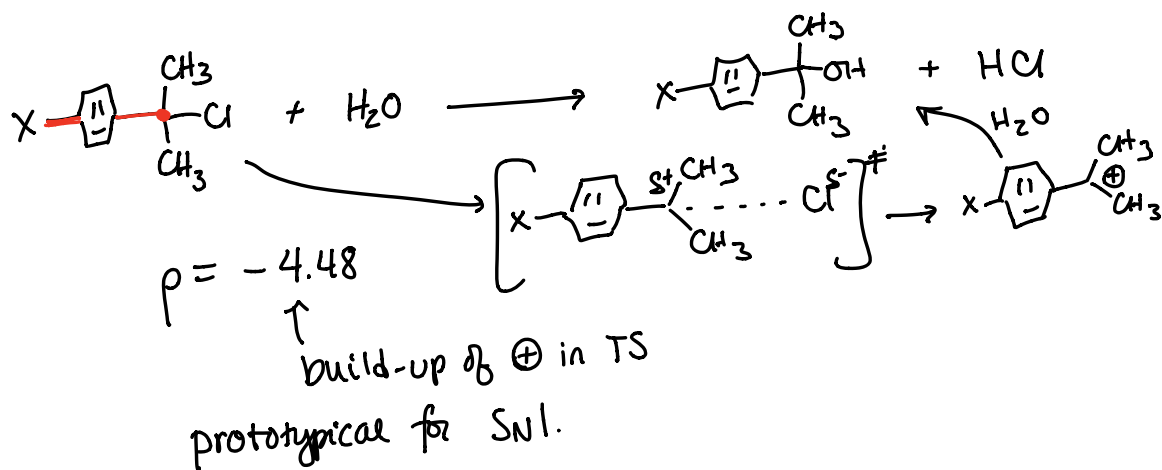


-3.19

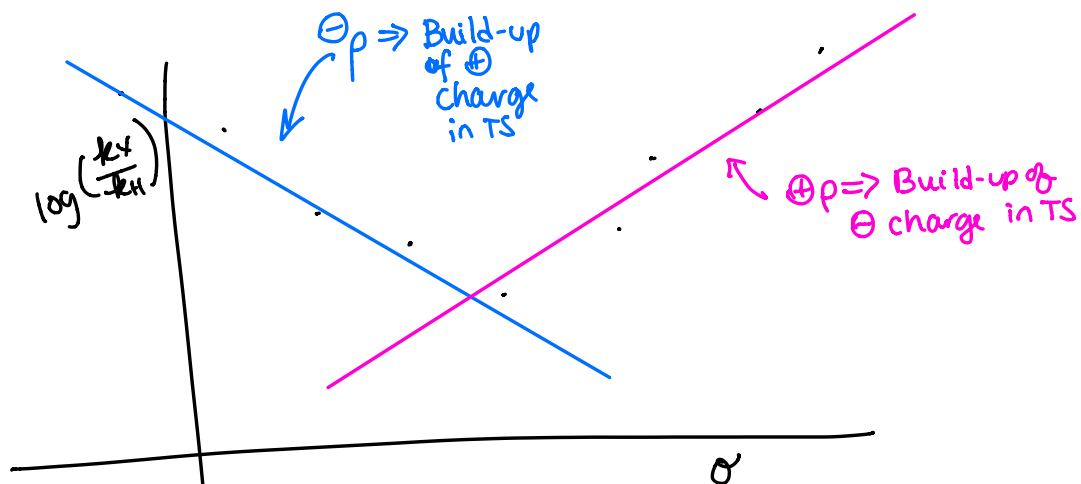


Also applies to TS's !!

→ Measure  $\frac{k_X}{k_H}$ . Plot  $\rho$  vs.  $\log \left( \frac{k_X}{k_H} \right)$



Other LFER's ⇒ Steric ⇒ Charton values



V-shape

