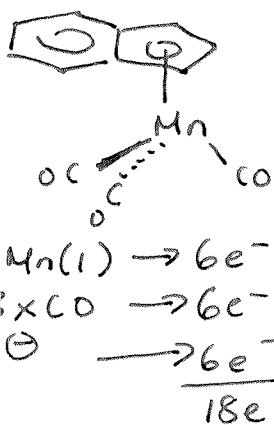
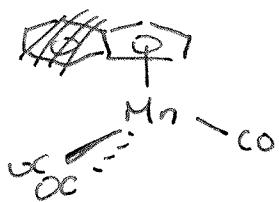


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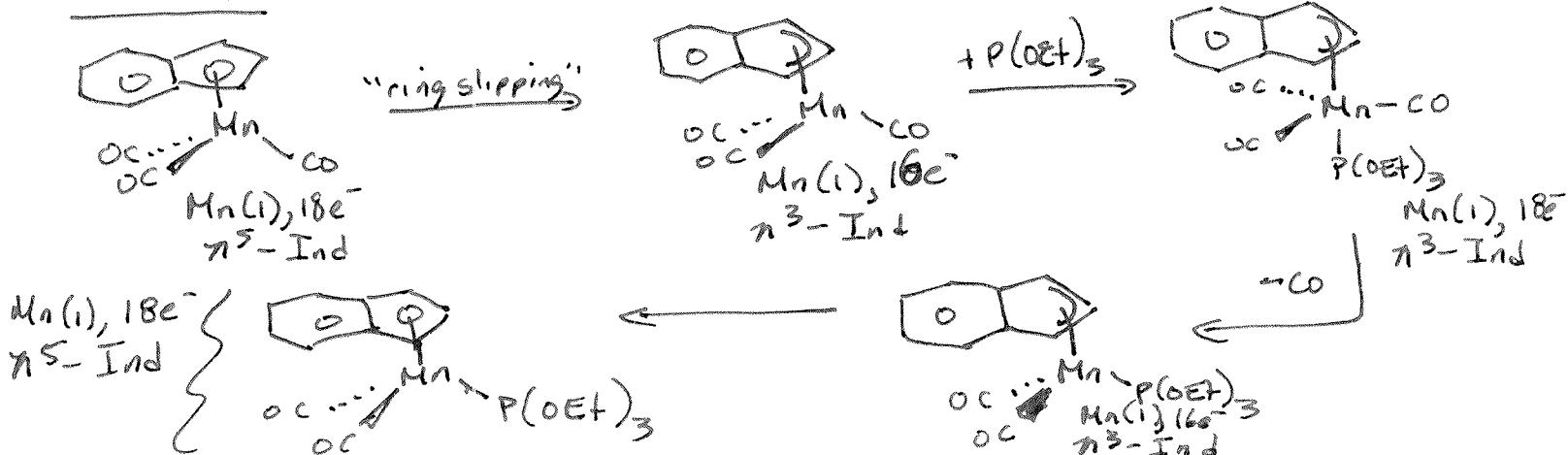


vs



- both Mn centres are Mn(1), and $18e^-$
- reaction with P(OEt)_3 would be expected to result in substitution of a CO ligand
- ↳ since the two compounds are sterically and electronically saturated the reaction must proceed via a dissociative substitution mechanism
- ↳ given both complexes contain 3 CO ligands, these are unlikely to give rise to the difference in reaction rate
- One complex has an indenyl group, while the other is supported by a Cp ligand. Indenyl ligands more readily change their bonding mode to π^3 or π^1 than Cp ligands; thus, this fact is the likely cause for the difference in reaction rates

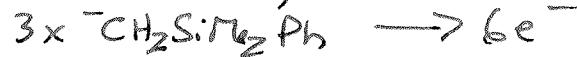
Mechanism:



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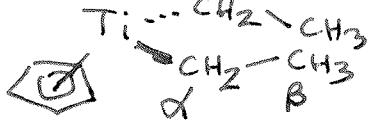
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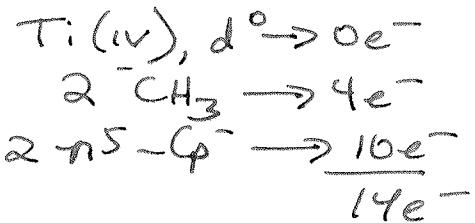
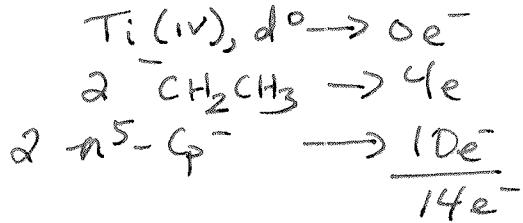
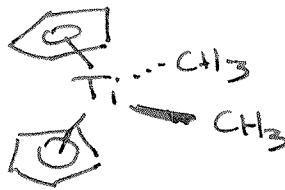


→ both Sc complexes are $d^0, 10e^-$. The only difference lies in the size of the alkyl group. Since $\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_2\text{Ph}$ is larger than CH_3 it will protect the e^- deficient 5 coordinate metal centre better. Thus $\left[\text{Sc}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_2\text{Ph})_3(\text{THF})_2\right]$ will be more stable than $\left[\text{ScMe}_3(\text{THF})_2\right]$.

ii)

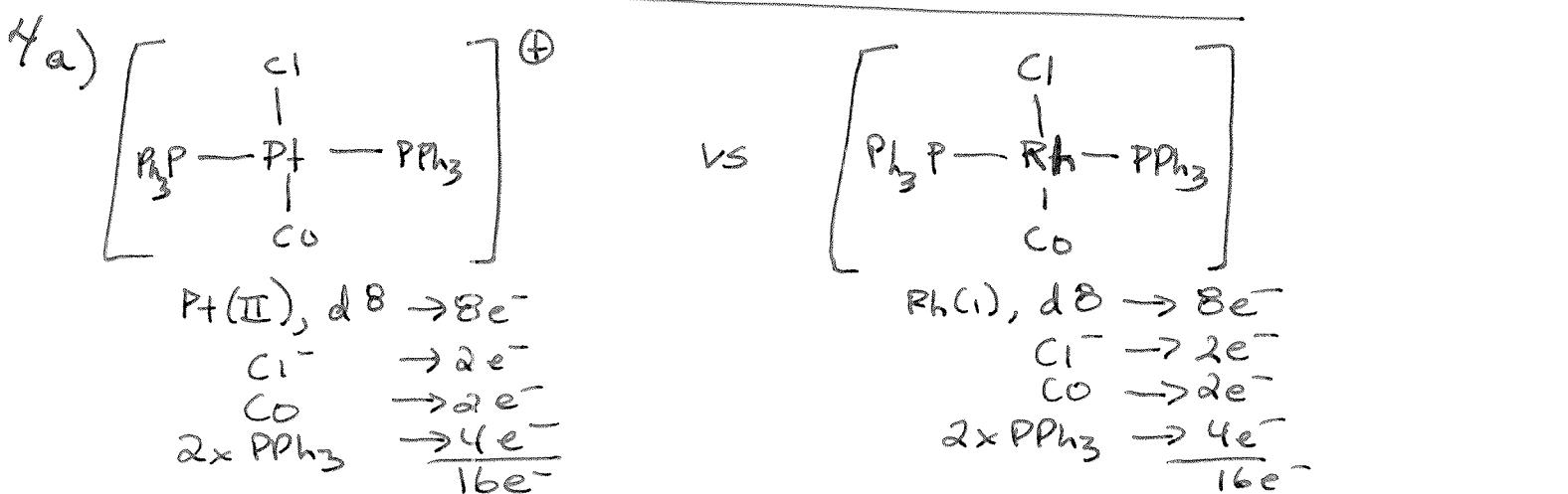
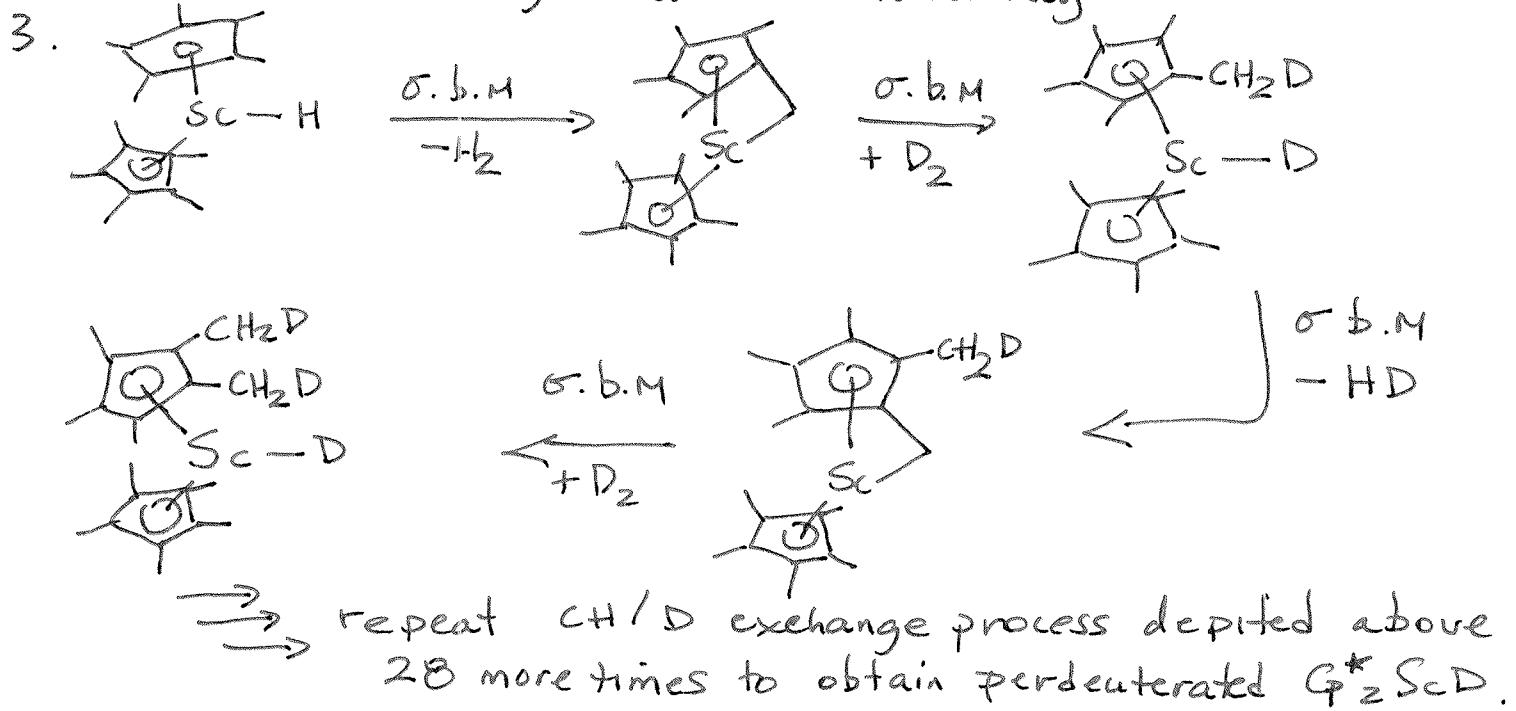


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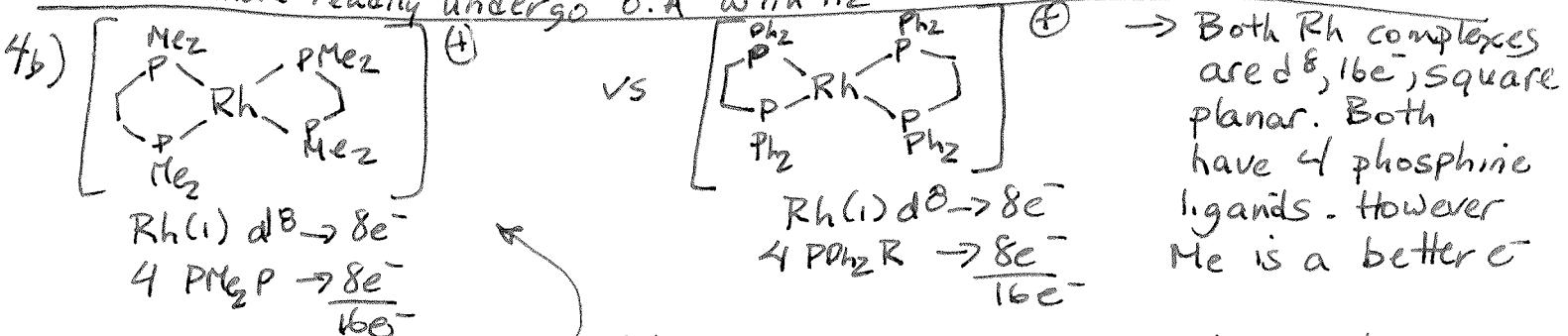
→ Both Ti are $d^0, 14e^-$. Both contain 2 Cp ligands. Ethyl groups are slightly larger than methyl, but they contain β -H which render compounds containing such groups less stable than analogous compounds lacking β -H.

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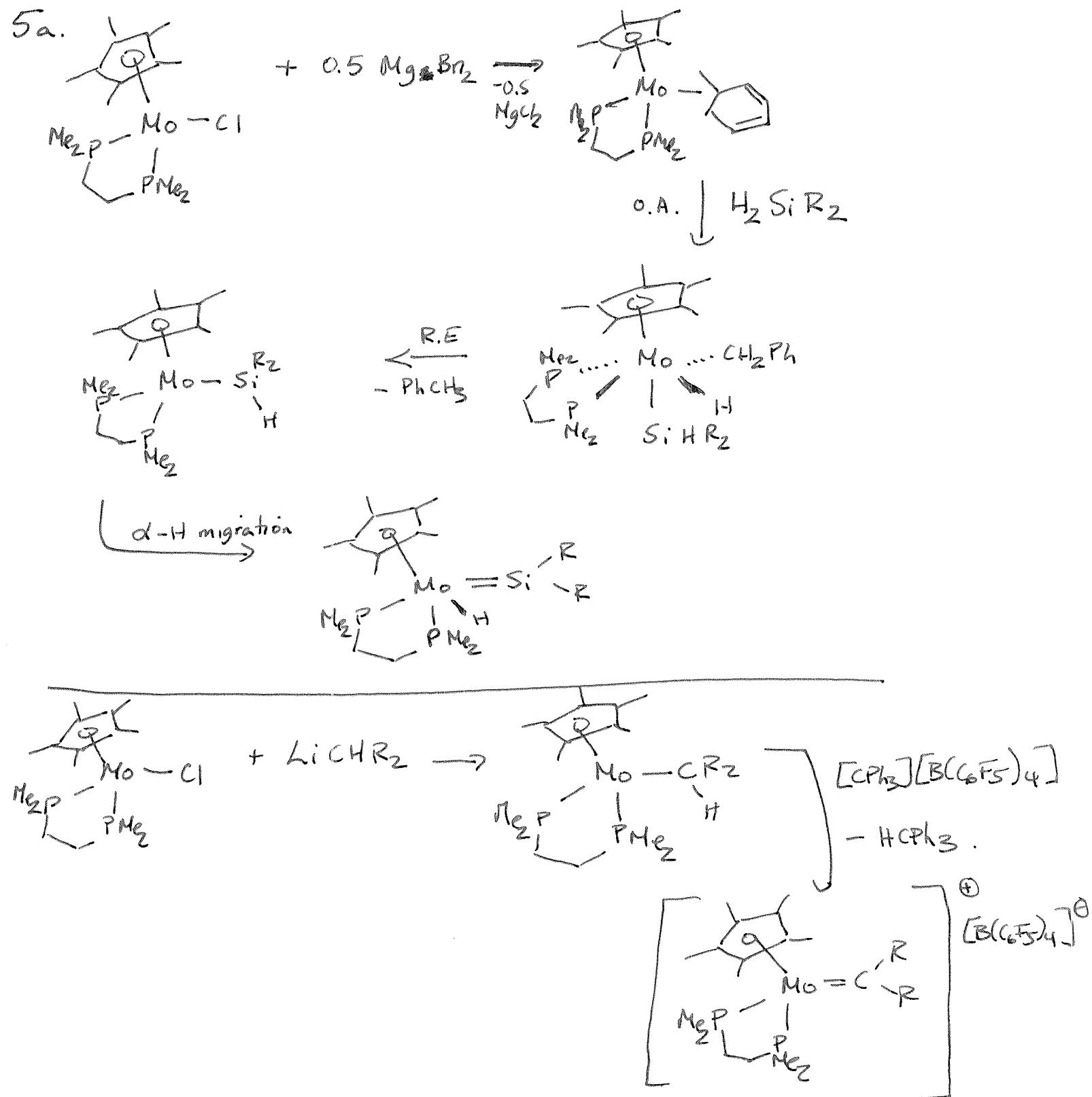


→ both compounds are $d^8, 16e^-$ and square planar.

→ M-H bonds stronger for 3rd row than 2nd row. Also higher oxidation states more accessible. $\therefore [\text{PtCl(CO)}(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$ will more readily undergo O.A with H_2 .

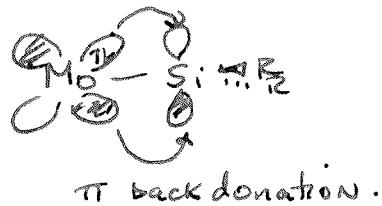
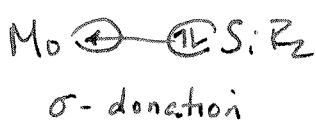


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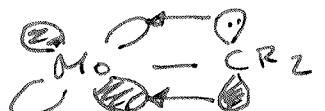


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5b)

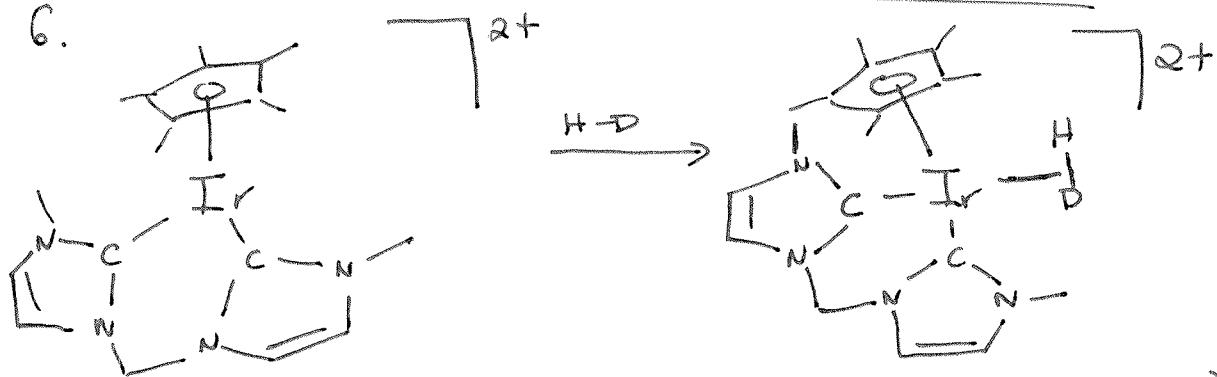


σ -donation.



π -back donation.

6.



\rightarrow 1:1:1 triplet due to coupling to D ($I=1$)

$\rightarrow J_{\text{HD}} = 23.5 \text{ Hz}$ indicative of a dihydrogen complex.

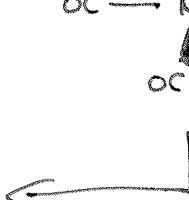
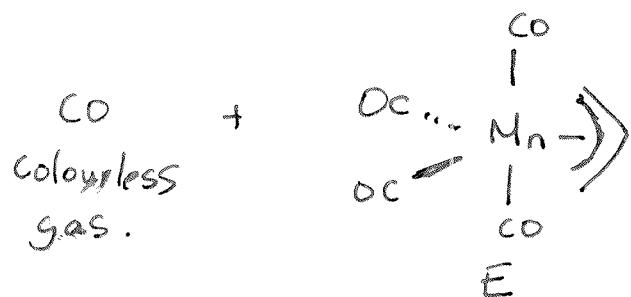
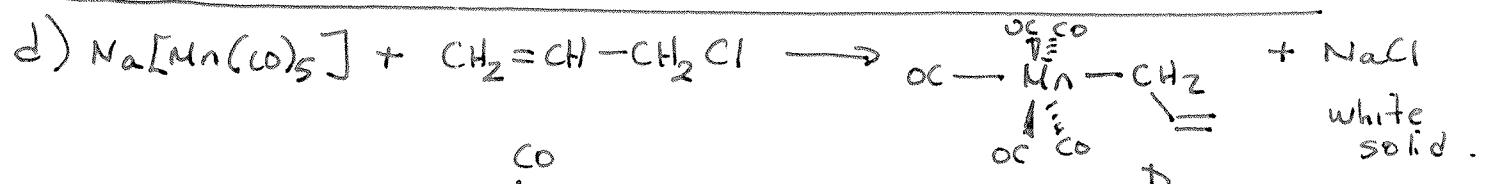
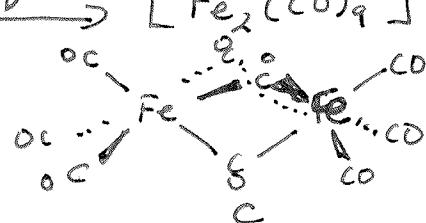
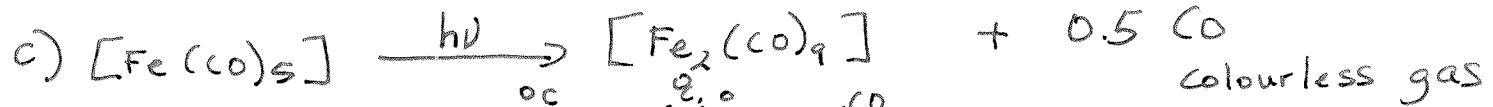
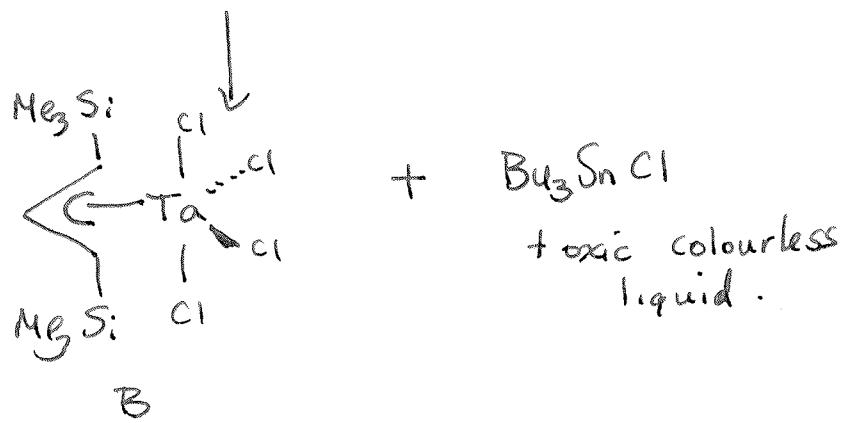
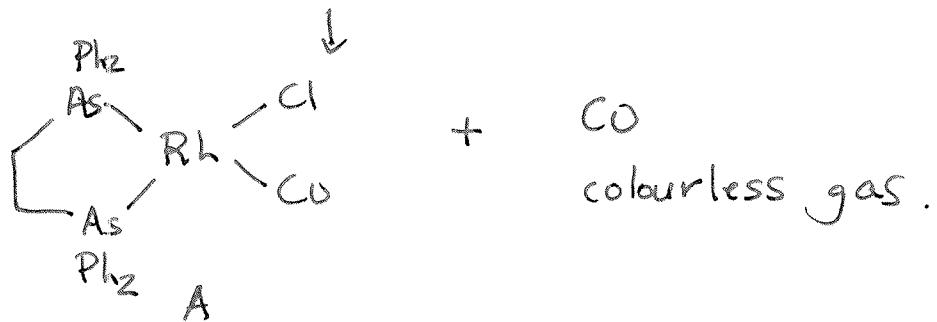
$\rightarrow \delta -7.2$ is consistent with both dihydride and dihydrogen complexes.

↳ In conclusion the above complex (a dihydrogen species) is consistent with the provided ^1H NMR data.

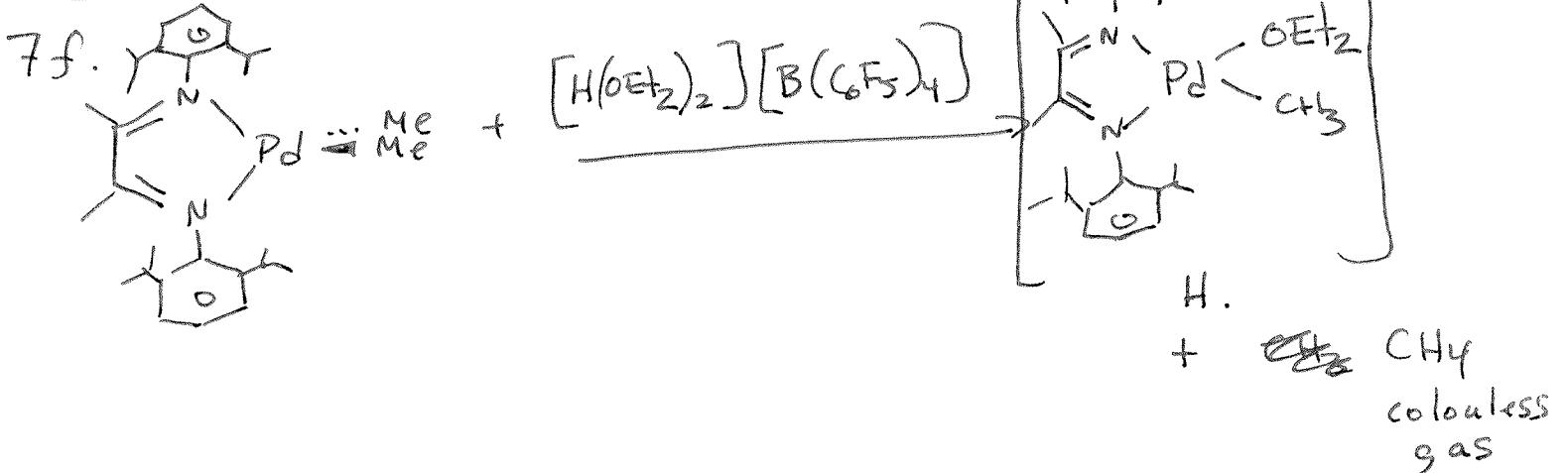
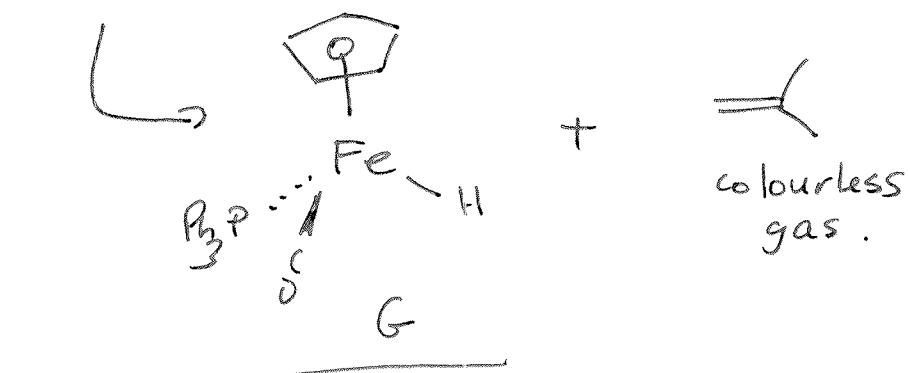
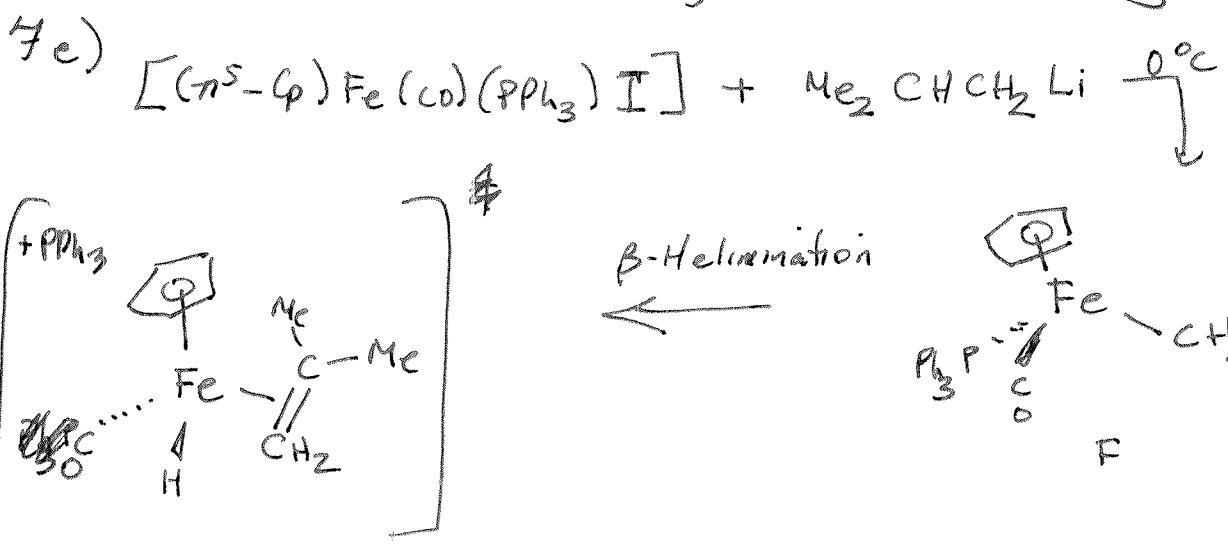
↳ Also, the Ir starting material is $\text{Ir}(\text{III})$, d^6 , $16e^-$. Given that $\text{Ir}(2)$ is not commonly available, and the compound is $16e^-$, one would not expect it to be e^- rich enough to participate in standard oxidative addition reactions.

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7a)



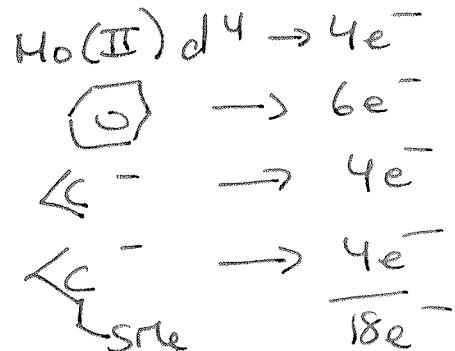
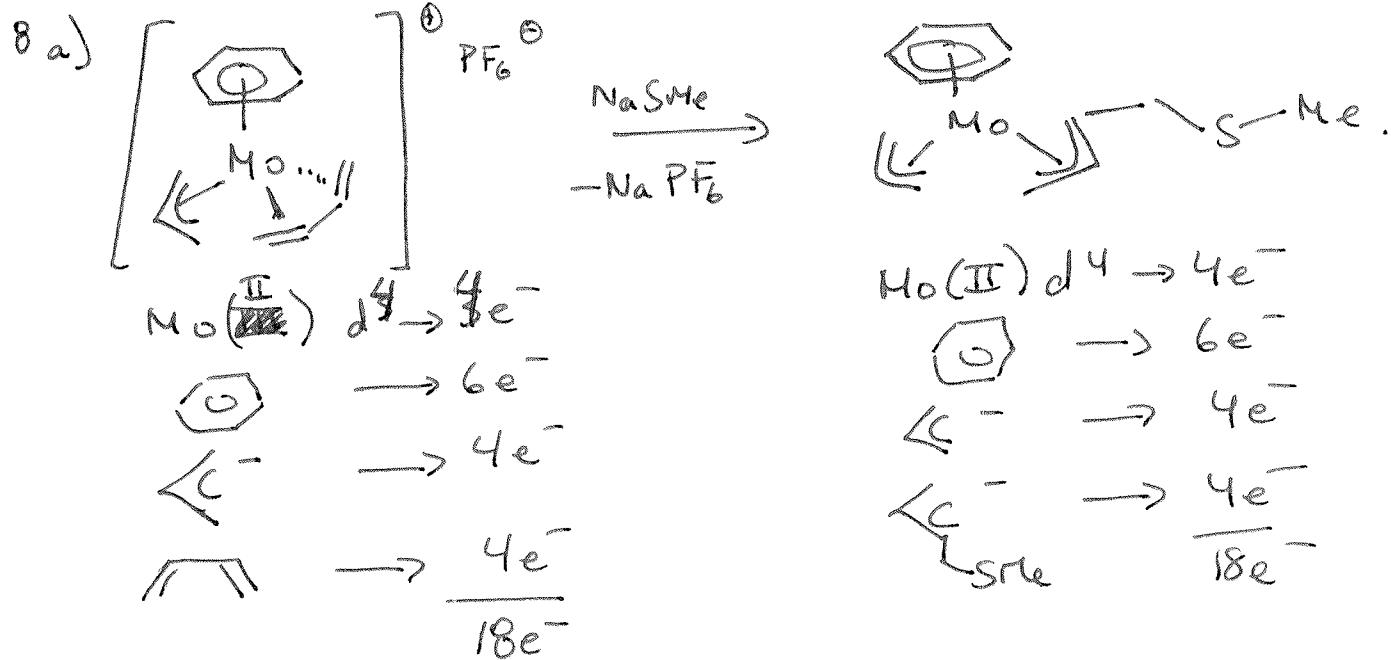
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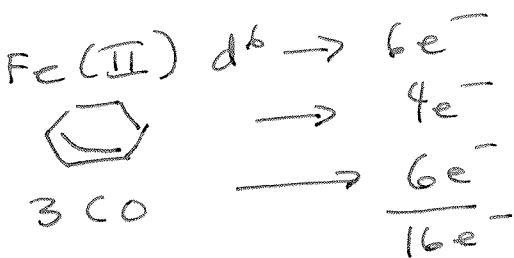
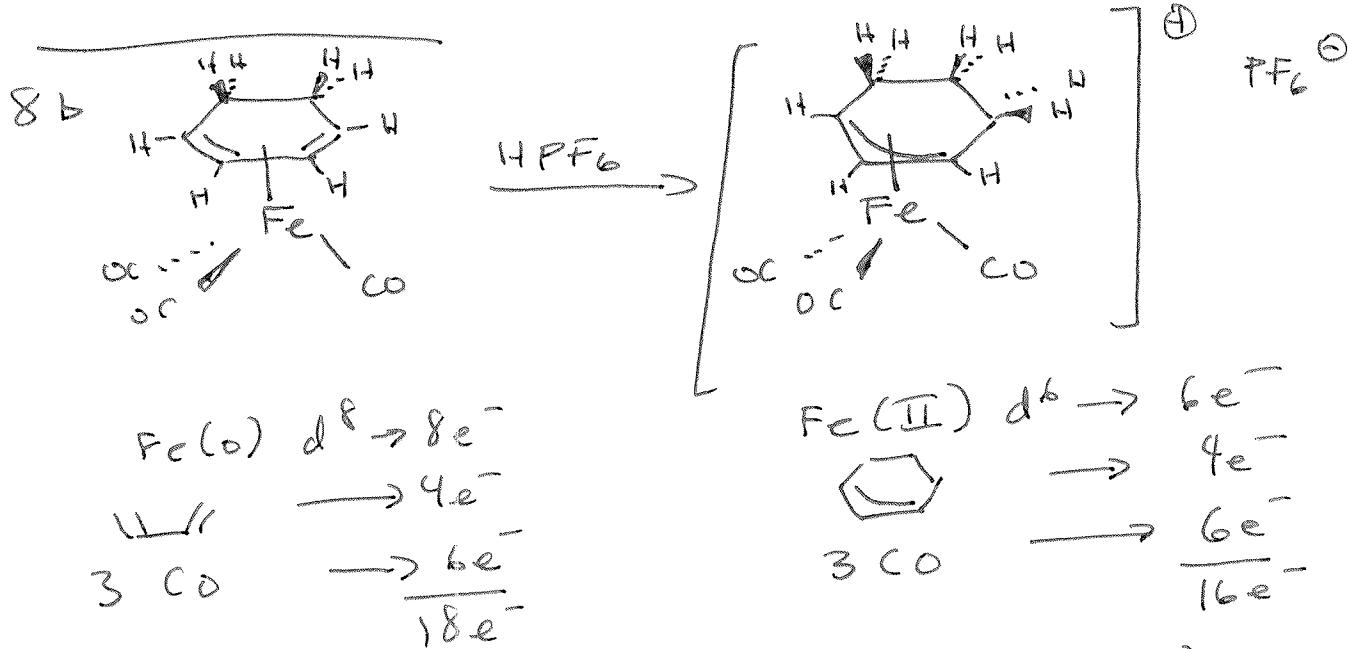
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\rightarrow Mo retains the same oxidation state ($\text{Mo}^{\text{(II)}}$)



\rightarrow Fe is oxidized from Fe^{0} to Fe^{II} .