

# Chapter 11



## Reactions of Carboxylic Acids and Carboxylic Acid Derivatives

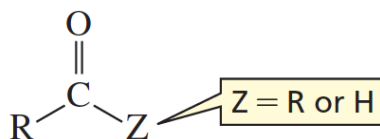
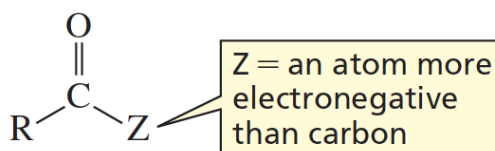
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## The Families in Group IV

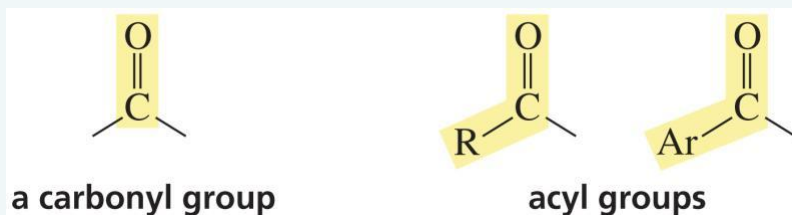
### Group IV



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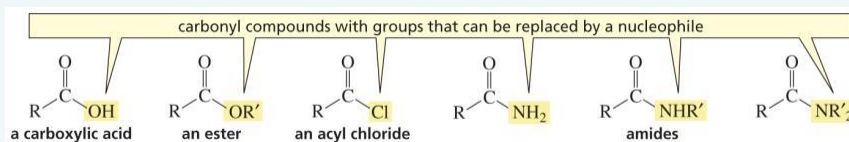
## A Carbonyl Group an Acyl Group



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## Carbonyl Compounds that have a group that can be Substituted



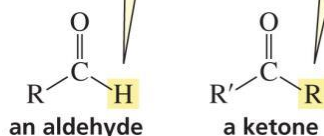
These carbonyl compounds **have** a group that **can be substituted** by another group.

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## Carbonyl Compounds that have a group that cannot be Substituted

carbonyl compounds with groups that cannot be replaced by a nucleophile



These carbonyl compounds **do not have** a group that **can be substituted** by another group.

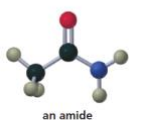
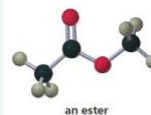
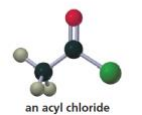
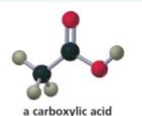
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## The Basicity of the group attached to the Acyl Group determines whether it can be Substituted

**Table 11.1** The  $pK_a$  Values of the Conjugate Acids of the Leaving Groups of Carbonyl Compounds

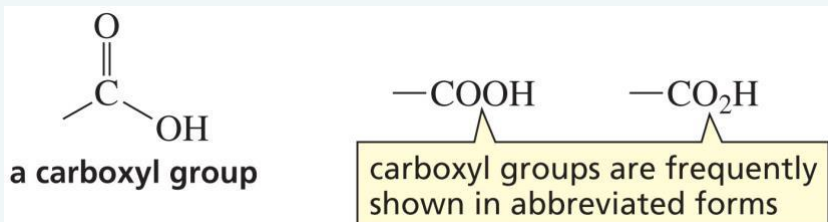
Carbonyl compound	Leaving group	Conjugate acid of the leaving group	$pK_a$
<b>Carboxylic Acids and Carboxylic Acid Derivatives</b>			
$\text{R}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{Cl}$	$\text{Cl}^-$	HCl	-7
$\text{R}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{OR}'$	$^- \text{OR}'$	R'OH	-15-16
$\text{R}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{OH}$	$^- \text{OH}$	$\text{H}_2\text{O}$	15.7
$\text{R}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{NH}_2$	$^- \text{NH}_2$	$\text{NH}_3$	36*
<b>Aldehydes and Ketones</b>			
$\text{R}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{H}$	$\text{H}^-$	$\text{H}_2$	35
$\text{R}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{R}$	$\text{R}^-$	RH	> 60



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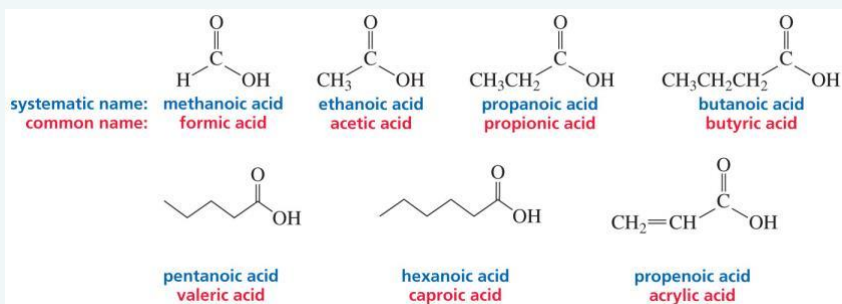
## A Carboxyl Group



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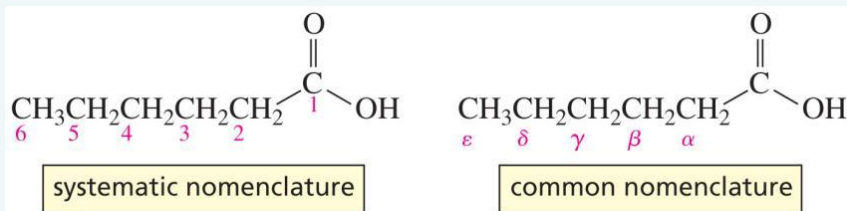
## Naming Carboxylic Acids



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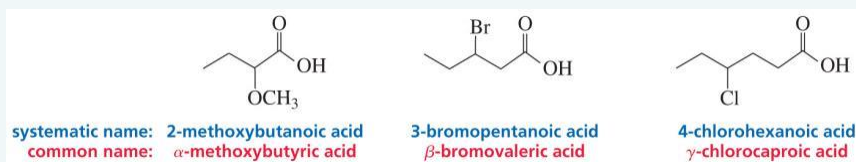
In systematic nomenclature, the **carbonyl carbon is C-1**.

In common nomenclature, the **carbon next to the carbonyl is the alpha-carbon**.

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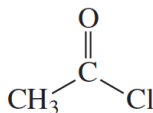
## Naming Carboxylic Acids



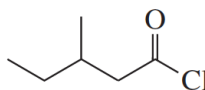
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## Naming Acyl Chlorides

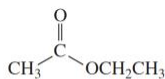
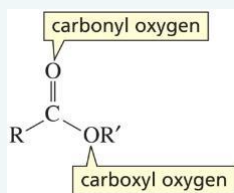


systematic name: **ethanoyl chloride**  
 common name: **acetyl chloride**

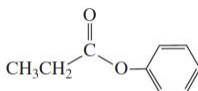


systematic name: **3-methylpentanoyl chloride**  
 common name:  **$\beta$ -methylvaleryl chloride**

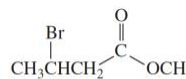
## Naming Esters



systematic name: **ethyl ethanoate**  
 common name: **ethyl acetate**



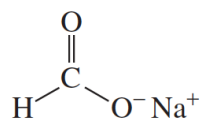
systematic name: **phenyl propanoate**  
 common name: **phenyl propionate**



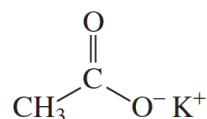
systematic name: **methyl 3-bromobutanoate**  
 common name: **methyl  $\beta$ -bromobutyrate**

state the **substituent** attached to the O  
 delete "**ic acid**"  
 add "**ate**"

## Naming Carboxylate Ions



**systematic name:** sodium methanoate  
**common name:** sodium formate

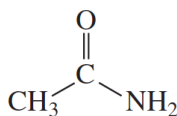


**potassium ethanoate**  
**potassium acetate**

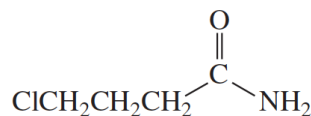
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## Naming Amides



**systematic name:** ethanamide  
**common name:** acetamide

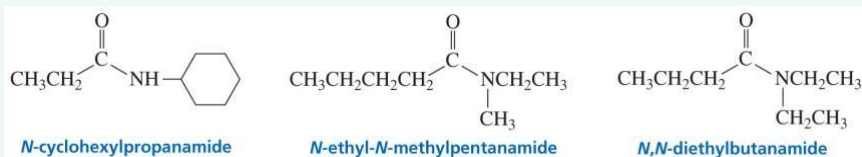


**4-chlorobutanamide**  
 **$\gamma$ -chlorobutyramide**

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## Naming Amides

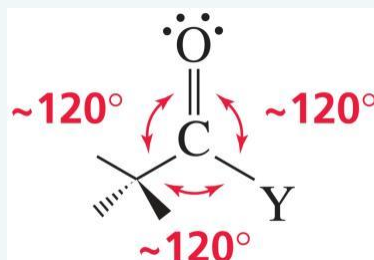


The **substituent** attached to the **nitrogen** is stated first.

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## The Structure of a Carbonyl Compound

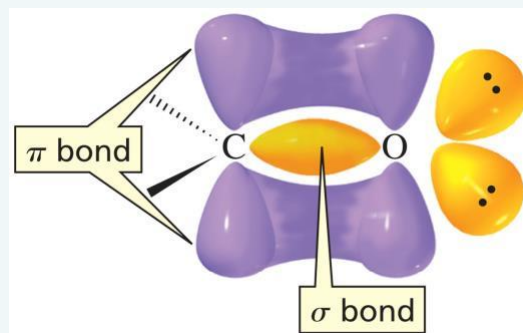


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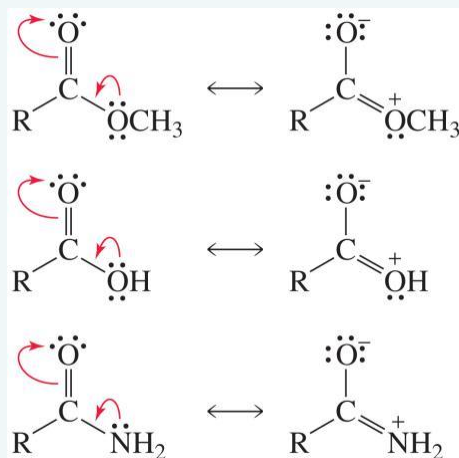
## The Orbitals used in Carbonyl Group Formation



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## Resonance Contributors

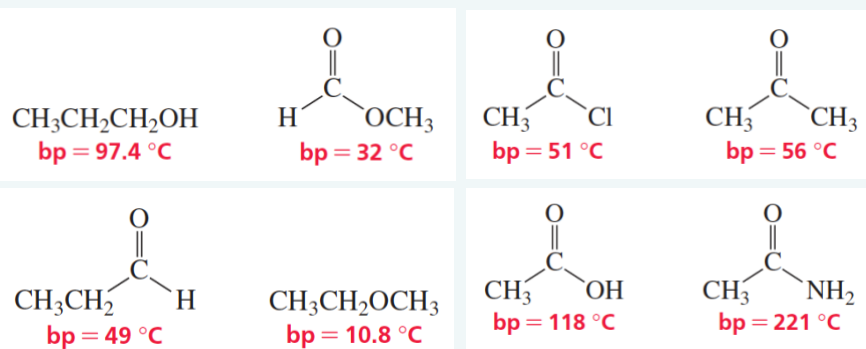


Esters, carboxylic acids, and amines have two resonance contributors.

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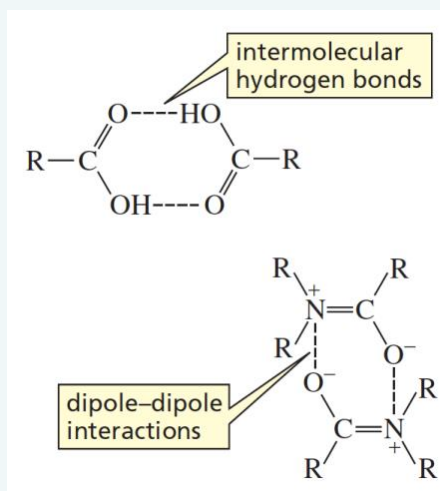
## Physical Properties



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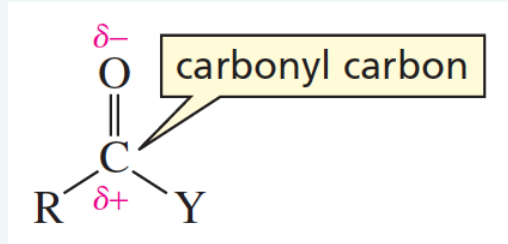
## Amides and Nitriles have relatively high Boiling Points



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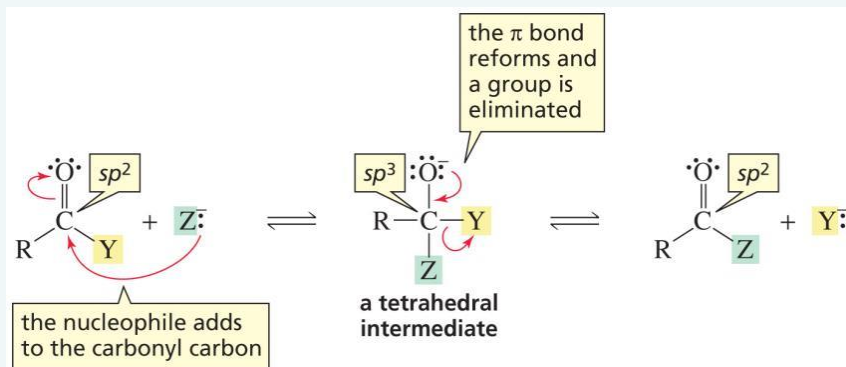
## The Carbonyl Carbon is an Electrophile



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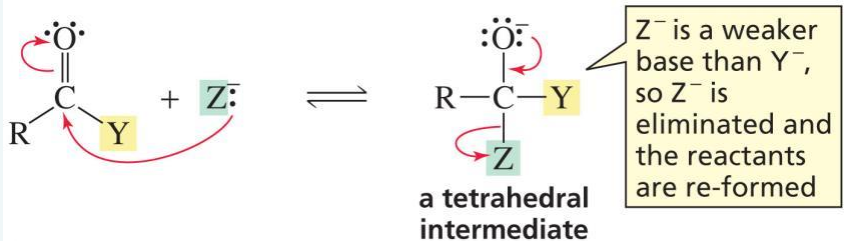
## Nucleophilic Acyl Substitution Reaction



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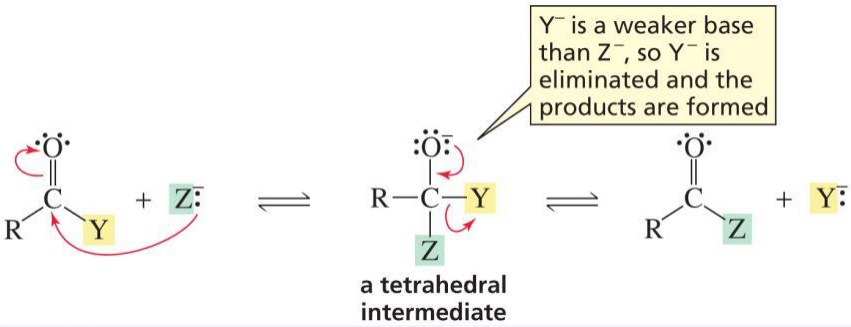
When the incoming Nucleophile (Z) is a weaker Base than the Base in the Reactant (Y)



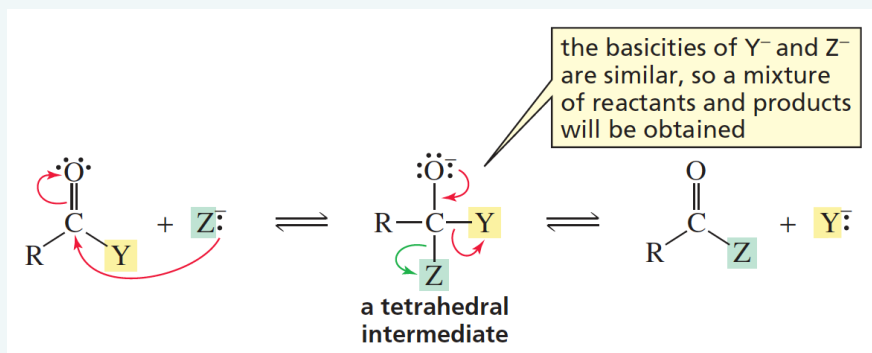
The weakest base is eliminated from the tetrahedral intermediate.

If the incoming nucleophile (Z) is a weaker base than the base in the reactant (Y), the reactants will be re-formed.

When the incoming Nucleophile (Z) is a stronger Base than the Base in the Reactant (Y)



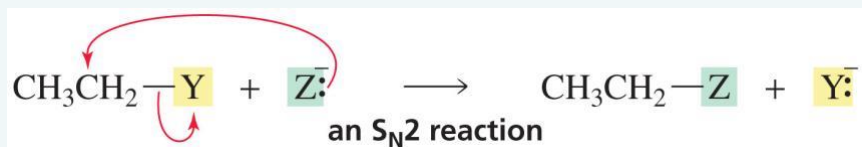
## When the Reactant (Y) and the incoming Nucleophile (Z) have similar Base Strengths



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## When a Nucleophile attacks a Carbon, the weakest Bond Breaks



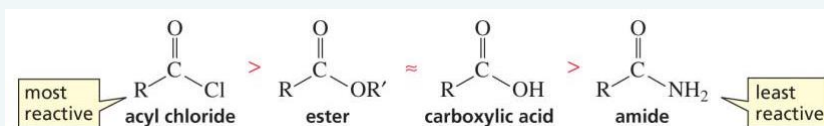
When a nucleophile attacks an **alkyl halide**, the **sigma bond** breaks.

When a nucleophile attacks a **carbonyl compound**, the **pi bond** breaks.

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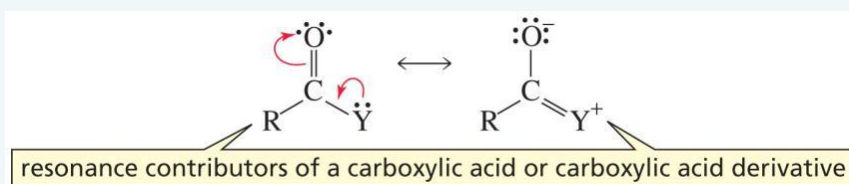
## The Relative Reactivities depend on the Basicity of the substituent attached to the leaving Group



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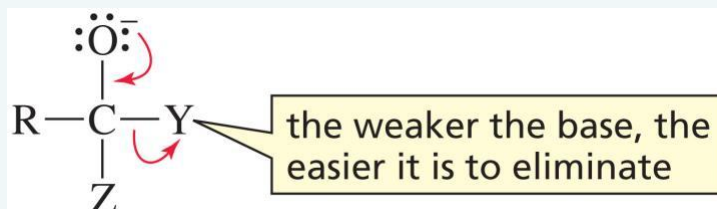
## A weak base makes formation of the Tetrahedral Intermediate faster



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## A weak base makes elimination from the Tetrahedral Intermediate faster



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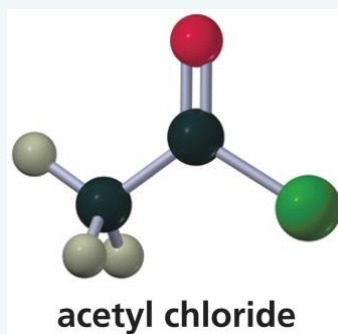
## A Carboxylic Acid Derivative can be converted into a less reactive Carboxylic Acid Derivative but not into a more reactive One



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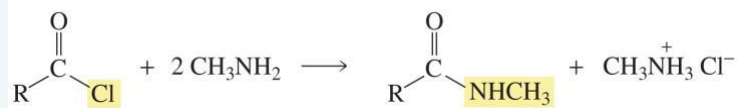
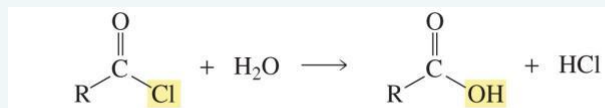
## An Acyl Chloride



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## Reactions of Acyl Chlorides

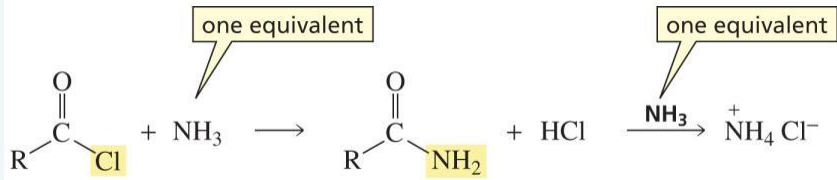


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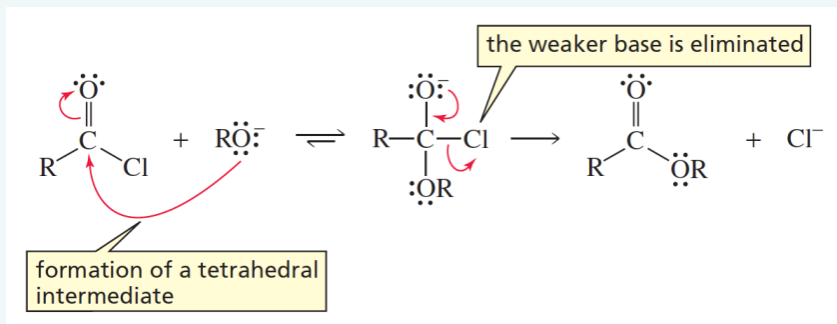
## Two equivalents of Amine are Required



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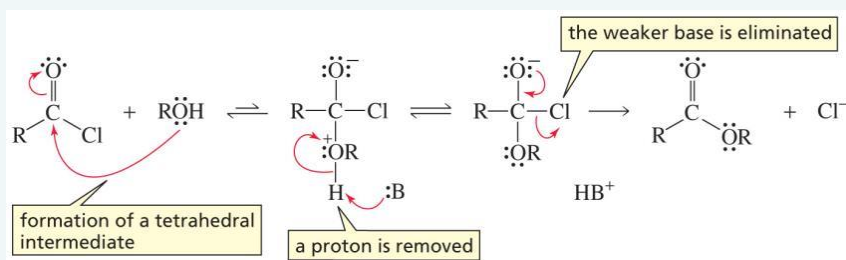
## Mechanism for Reaction With a Negatively Charged Nucleophile



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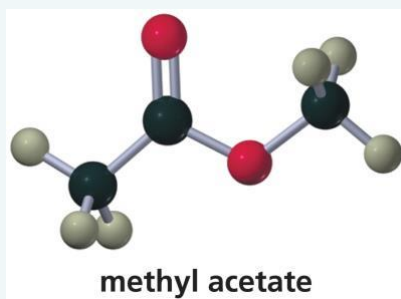
## Mechanism for Reaction With a Neutral Nucleophile



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## An Ester

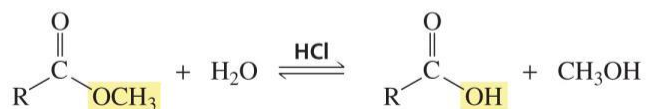


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## Reaction of an Ester with Water

a hydrolysis reaction



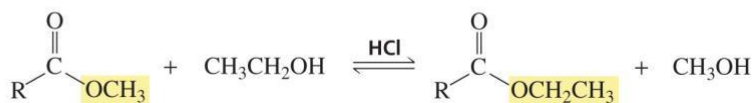
A hydrolysis reaction is a **reaction with water** that converts **one compound** into **two compounds**.

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## Reaction of an Ester with an Alcohol

a transesterification reaction



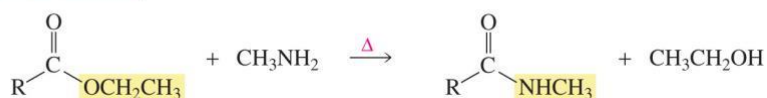
An alcoholysis reaction is a **reaction with an alcohol** that converts **one compound** into **two compounds**.

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## Reaction of an Ester with an Amine

an aminolysis reaction

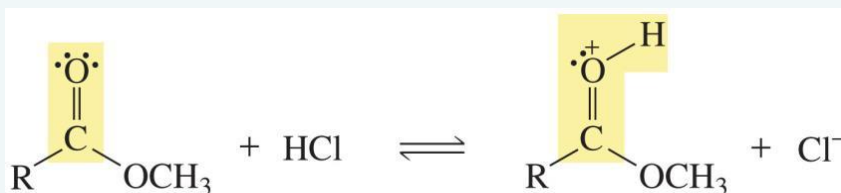


An aminolysis reaction is a reaction with an amine that converts one compound into two compounds

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## The Carbonyl Oxygen is the Oxygen that is Protonated

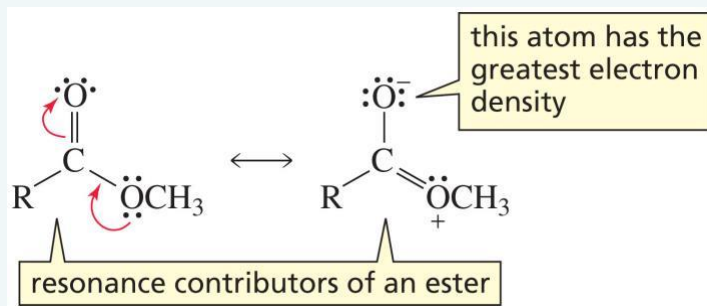


The acid protonates the atom with the greatest electron density.

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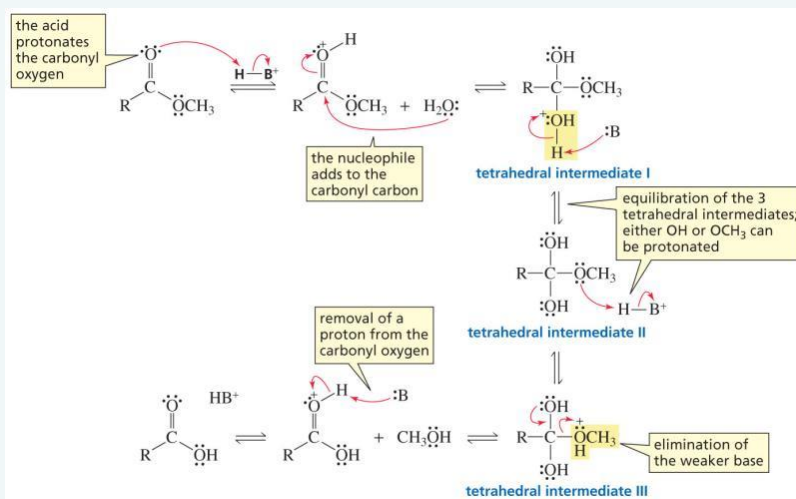
## The Resonance Contributors show that the Carbonyl Oxygen has the Greatest Electron Density



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## The Mechanism for the Acid-Catalyzed Hydrolysis of an Ester



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Use excess water to drive the Reaction to the right

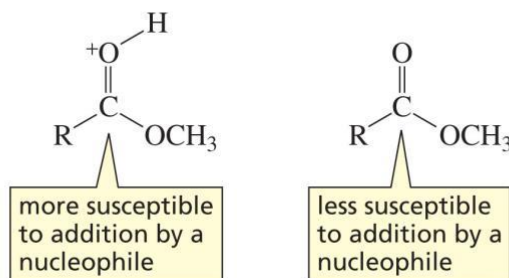


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Protonation makes the Carbonyl Group more susceptible to Nucleophilic Addition

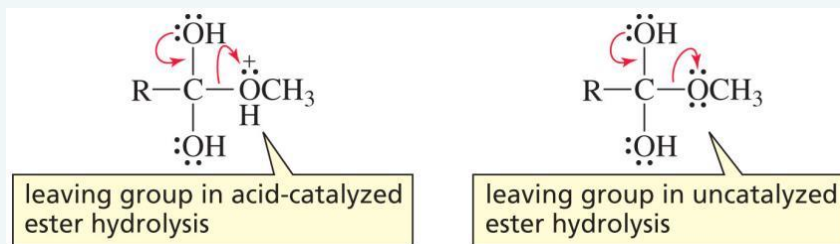
protonation of the carbonyl oxygen increases the susceptibility of the carbonyl carbon to nucleophilic addition



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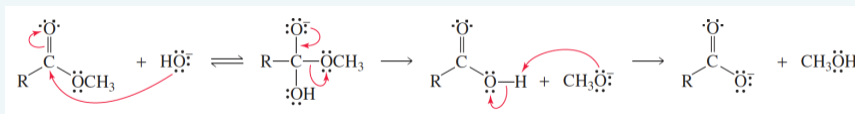
## Protonation makes the Leaving Group a better Leaving Group



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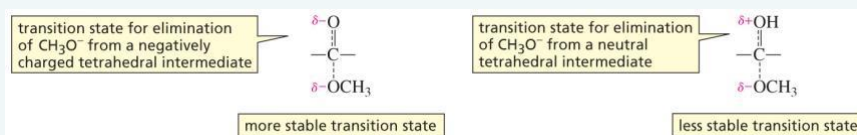
## The Mechanism for Hydroxide-Ion Promoted Hydrolysis of an Ester



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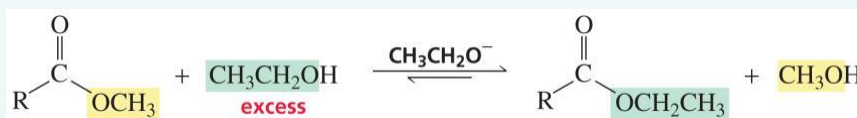
## Why is collapse of the Tetrahedral Intermediate faster in a basic solution?



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## Reaction with an alcohol can be catalyzed by an Alkoxide Ion

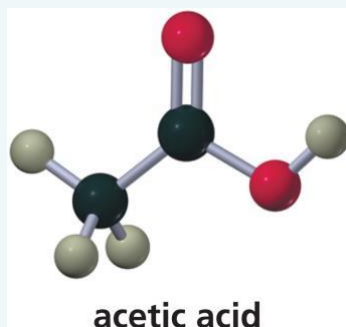


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## A Carboxylic Acid

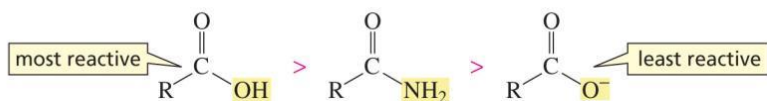


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A Carboxylic Acid must be in its acidic form in order to undergo a Nucleophilic Acyl Substitution Reaction

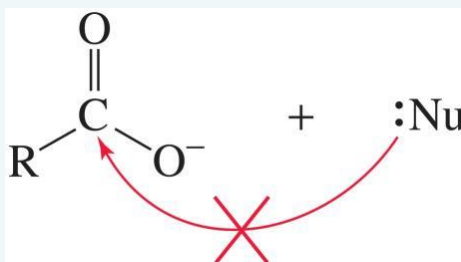
relative reactivities toward nucleophilic addition–elimination



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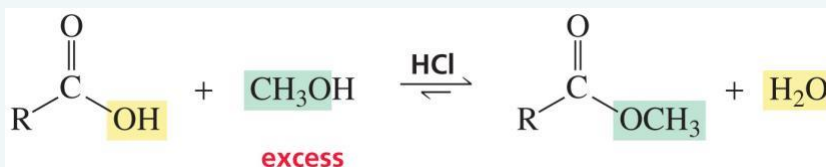
## Carboxylate Ions do not react with Nucleophiles



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## Reaction of a Carboxylic Acid with an alcohol



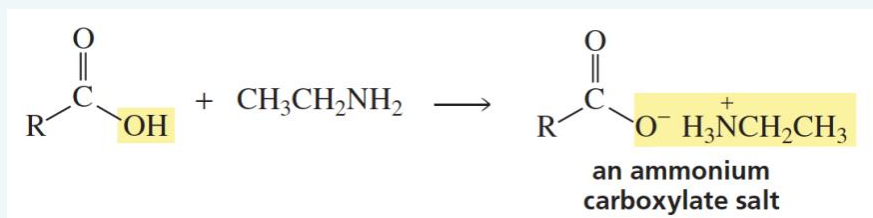
The reaction is catalyzed by acids.

Excess alcohol drives the reaction to the right.

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## Reaction of a Carboxylic Acid with an Amine

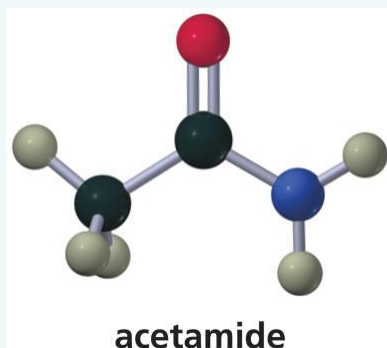


A carboxylic acid is an **acid** and an amine is **a base**, so an **acid-base reaction** occurs.

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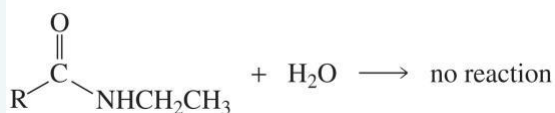
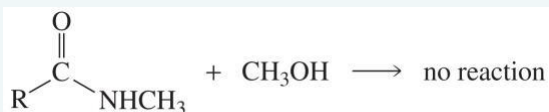
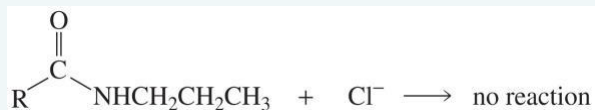
## An Amide



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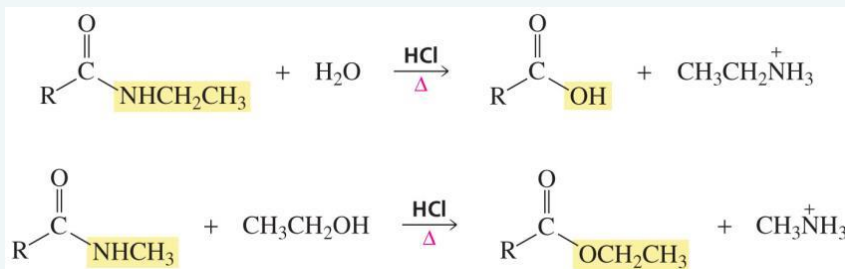
## Amides do not undergo Nucleophilic Acyl Substitution Reactions (unless the reaction is acid catalyzed)



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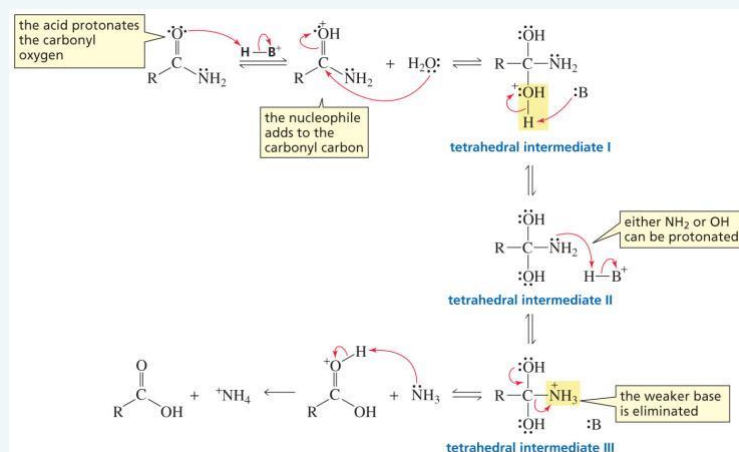
## Amides react with water and alcohols if an Acid Catalyst is added



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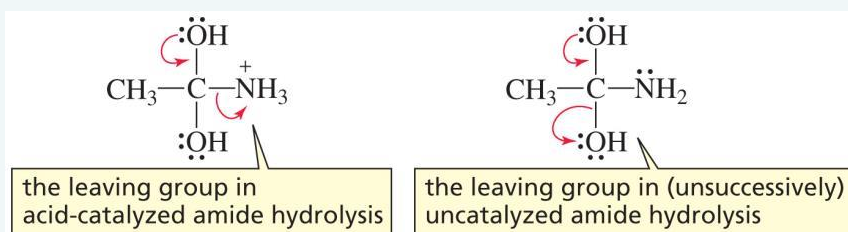
## The Mechanism for the Acid-Catalyzed Hydrolysis of an Amide



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## The weakest base is the best Leaving Group



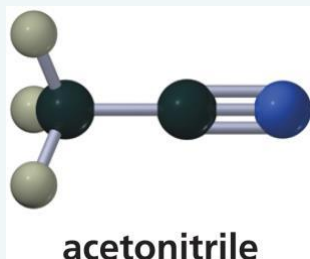
A **protonated amino group** is a **weaker base** than **hydroxide ion**.

An **amino group** is a **stronger base** than **hydroxide ion**.

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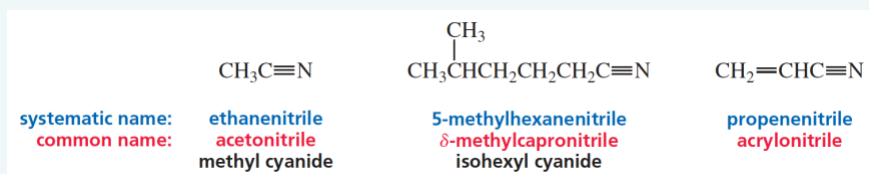
## A Nitrile



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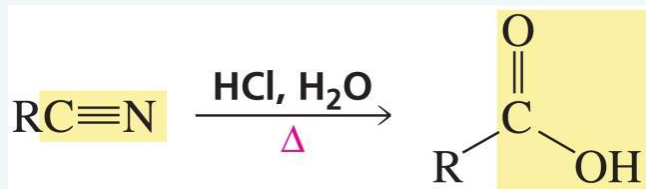
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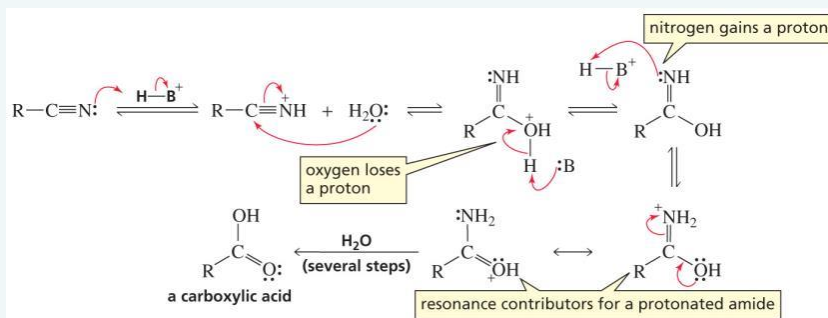
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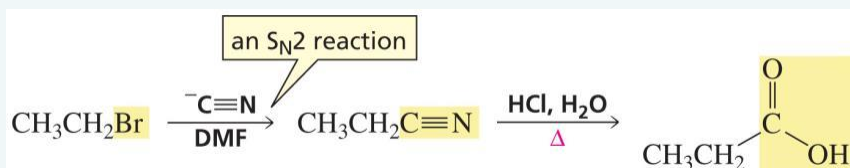
## The Mechanism



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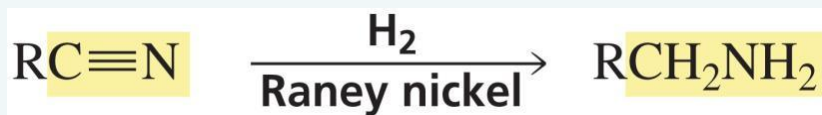
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## Synthesis of a Primary Amine



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## Nomenclature of Acid Anhydrides

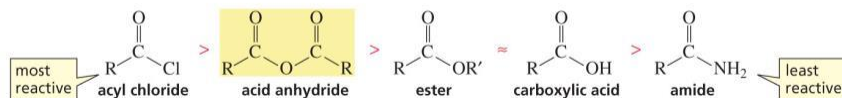


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## Acid Anhydrides are less reactive than Acyl Chlorides but more reactive than Esters

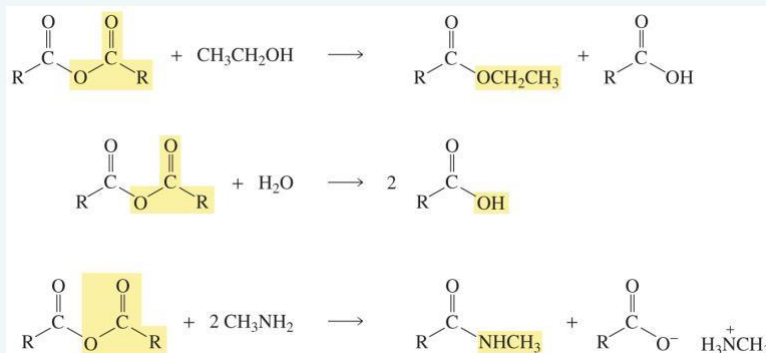
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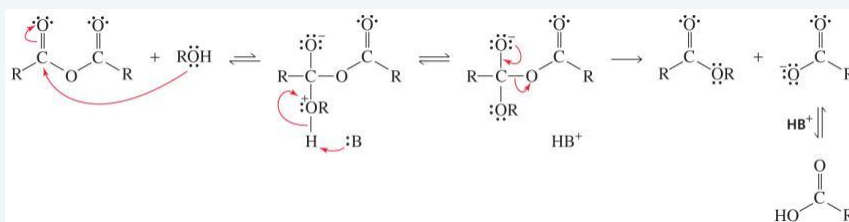
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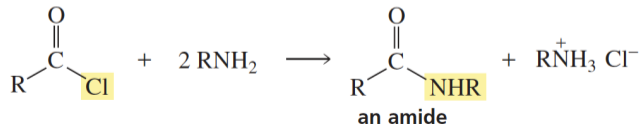
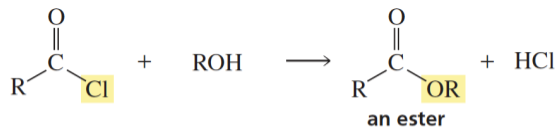
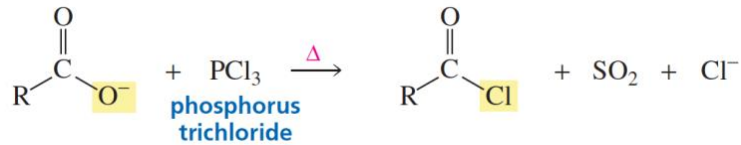
## The Mechanism



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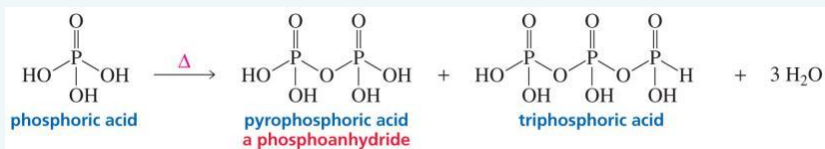
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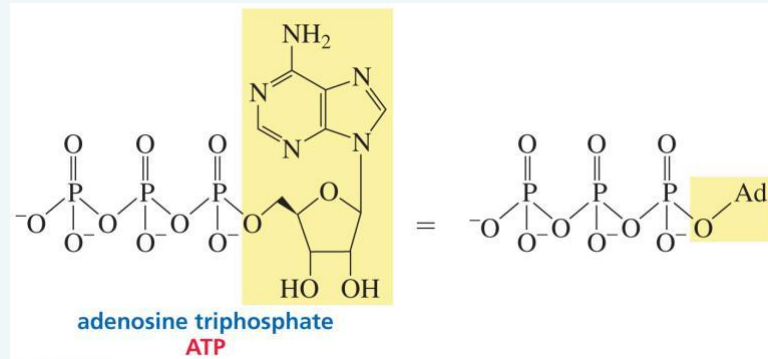
## Heating Phosphoric Acid forms Pyrophosphoric Acid and Triphosphoric Acid



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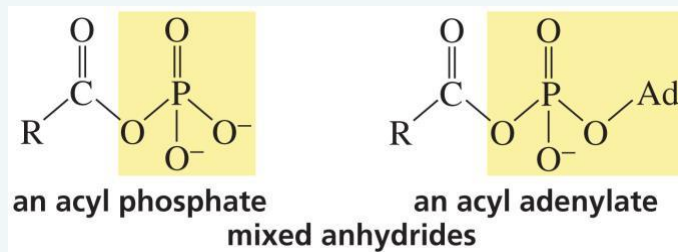
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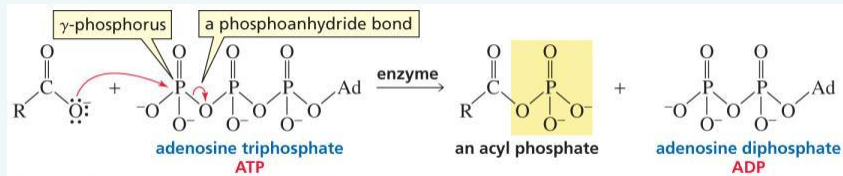
## Mixed Anhydrides of a Carboxylic Acid and a Phosphoric Acid



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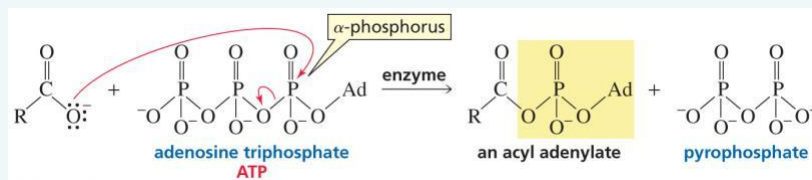
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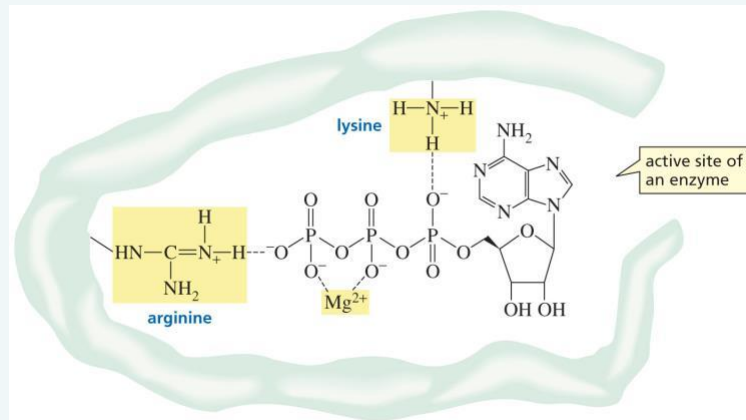
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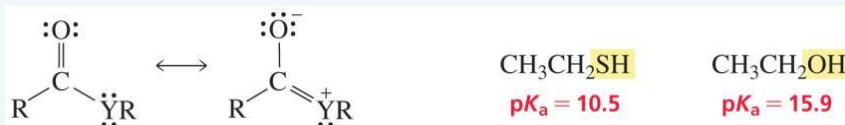
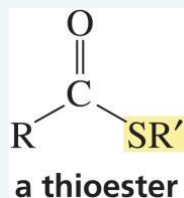
## The negative charges on ATP are neutralized at the Active Site of an Enzyme



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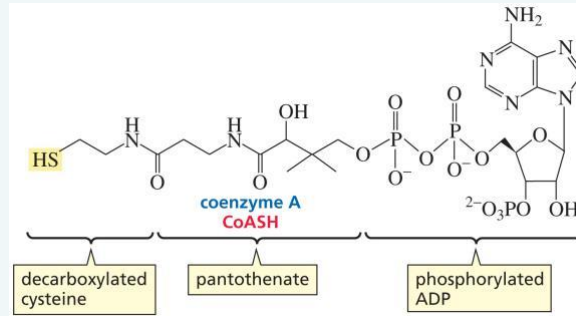
## A Thioester is more susceptible to Nucleophilic Addition than an Oxygen Ester



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# Coenzyme A

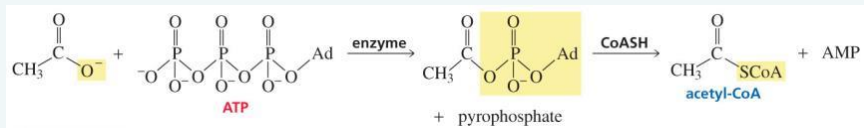


Coenzyme A is the thiol used in cells.

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## A Carboxylate Ion is first converted to an Acyl Adenylate and then to a Thioester



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## Using Acetyl-CoA to form Acetylcholine

