

# AROMATIC COMPOUNDS

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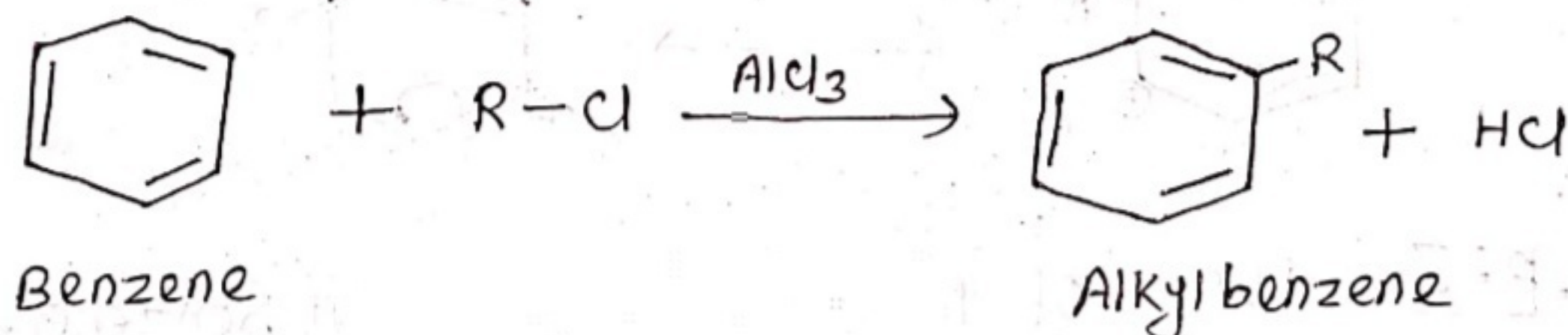
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Topic - Friedel craft's alkylation & acylation of benzene.

## Friedel Craft's Alkylation Of Benzene

"Benzene" reacts with alkyl halides in the presence of anhy. aluminium chloride to form alkyl benzene.

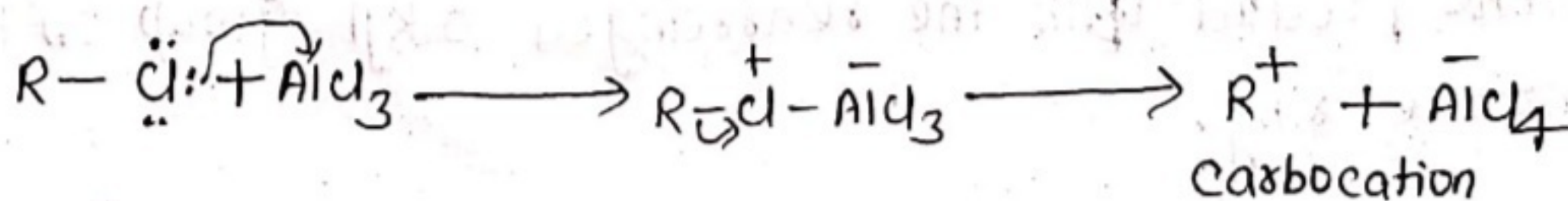


- \* The electrophile required for the reaction is formed from the reaction of an alkyl halide with anhy.  $AlCl_3$ .
- \* Alkyl chlorides, alkyl bromides, and alkyl iodides can all be used.
- \* Vinylic halides and aryl halides cannot be used because their carbocations are too unstable to be formed.

### MECHANISM

Step:1

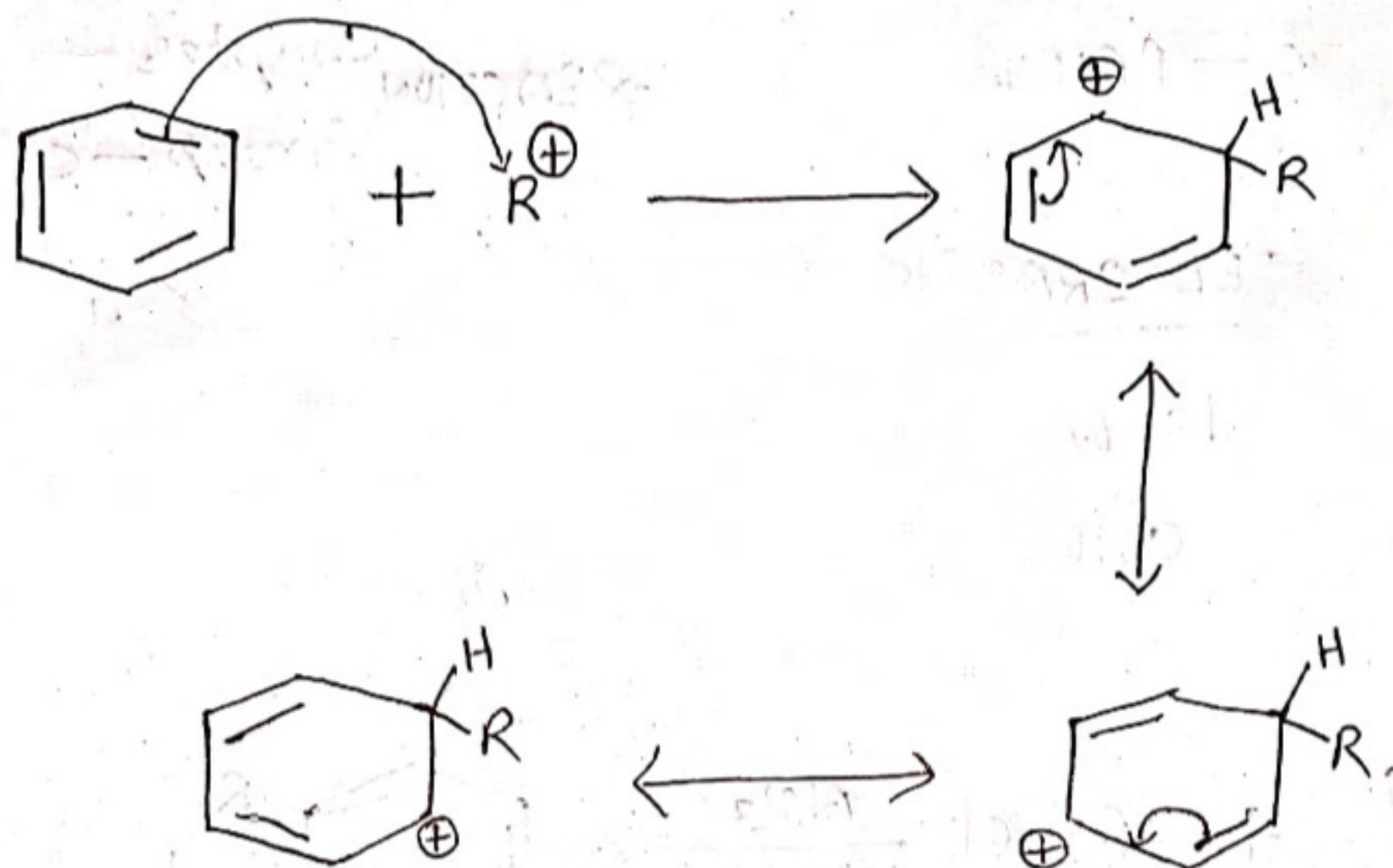
Formation of the electrophile ( $R^+$ )



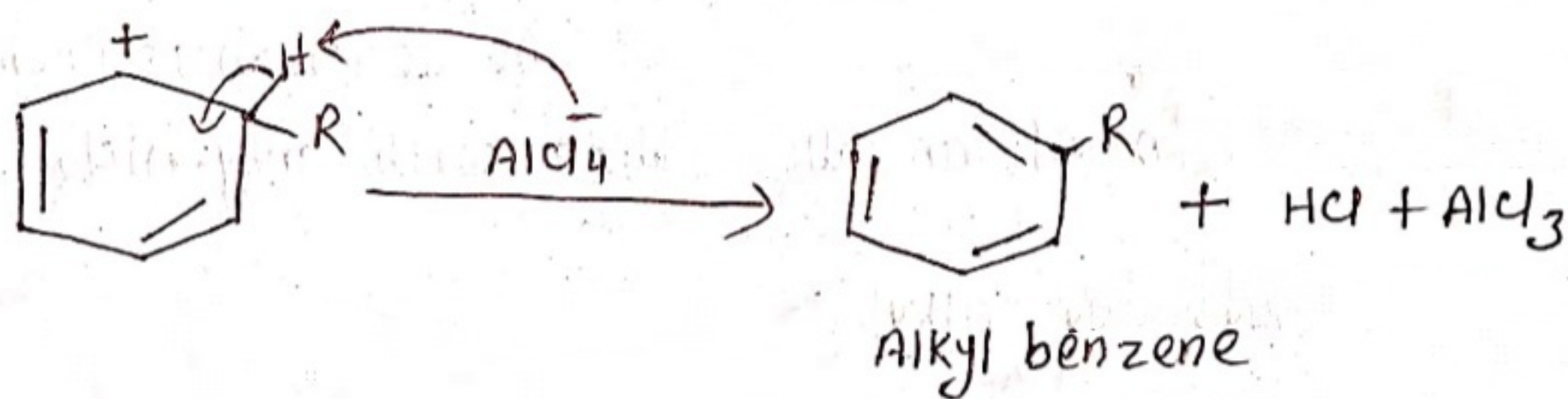


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Step: 2 The electrophile attacks the benzene ring to give a carbocation.



Step: 3 Loss of Proton to give alkyl benzene.



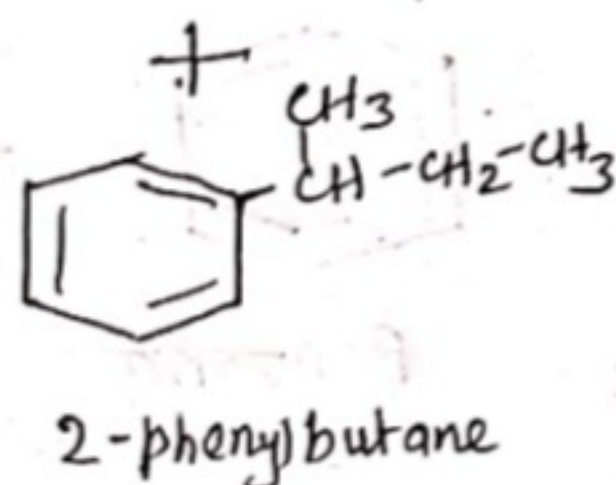
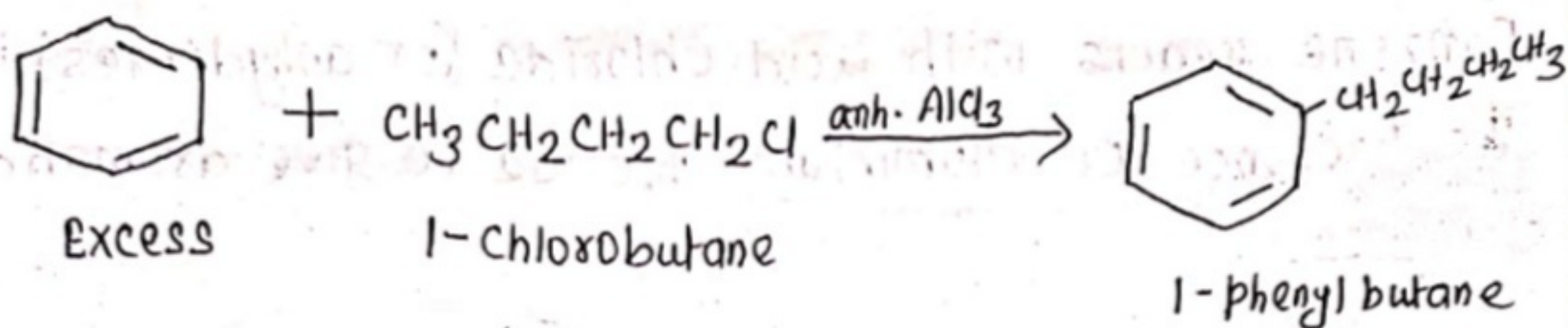
\* A carbocation will rearrange if rearrangement leads to a more stable carbocation.

\* When the carbocation employed in a Friedel-Craft's alkylation reaction rearranges, the major product will be the product with the rearranged alkyl group on the benzene ring.



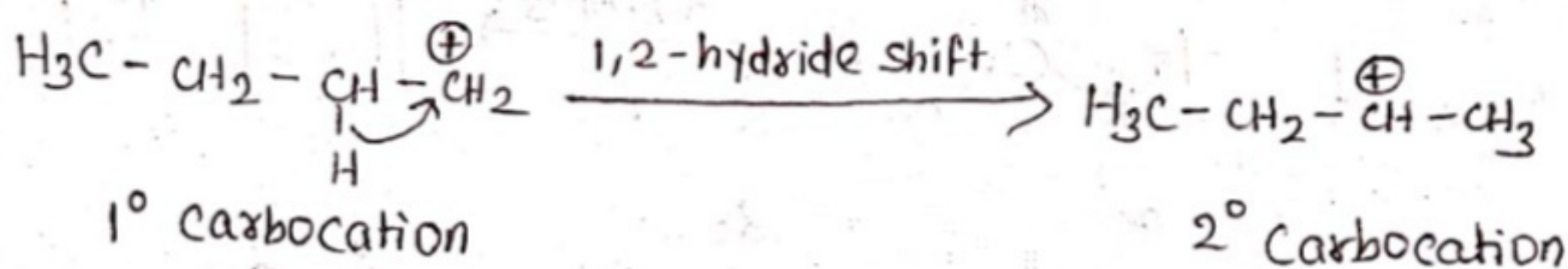
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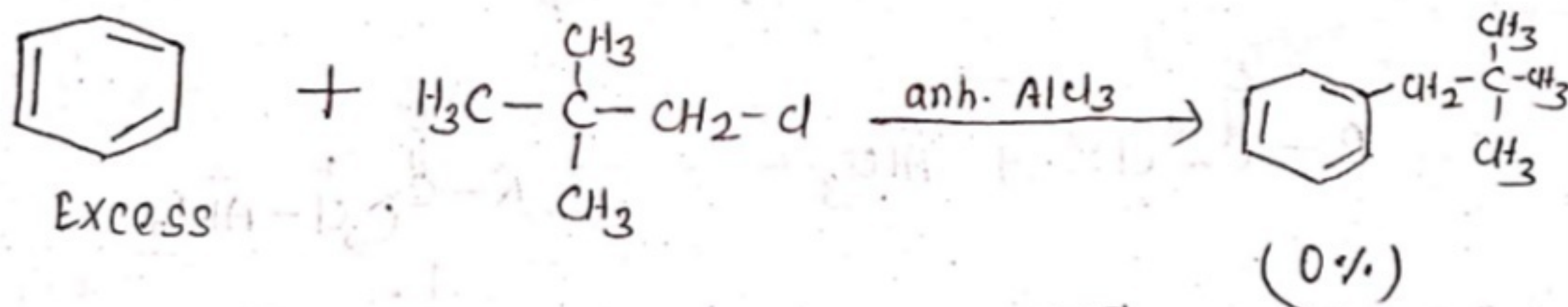


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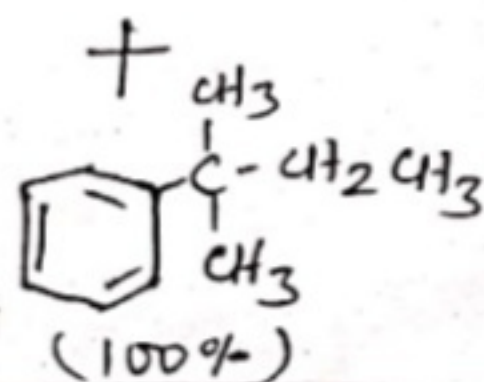
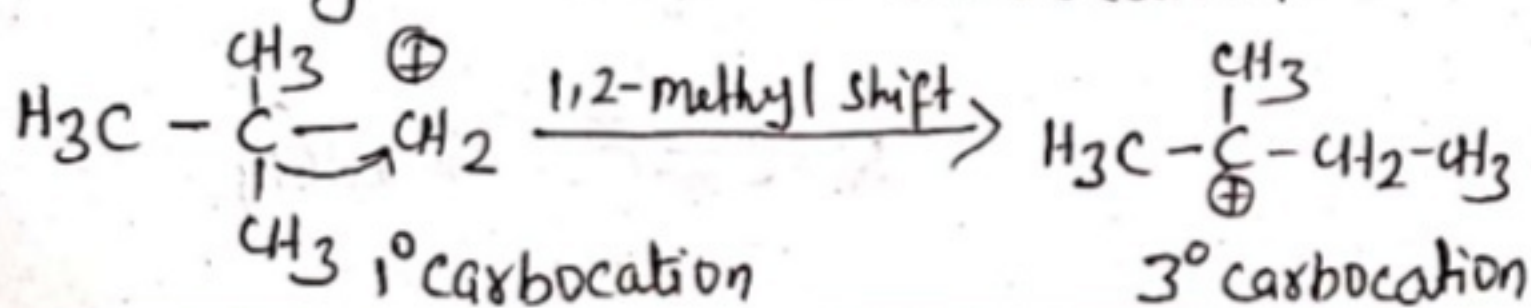
## Rearrangement of the Carbocation



\* When benzene reacts with 1-chloro-2,2-dimethylpropane, the initially formed 1° carbocation rearranges to a tertiary carbocation; in this case 100% of the product has the rearranged alkyl substituent.



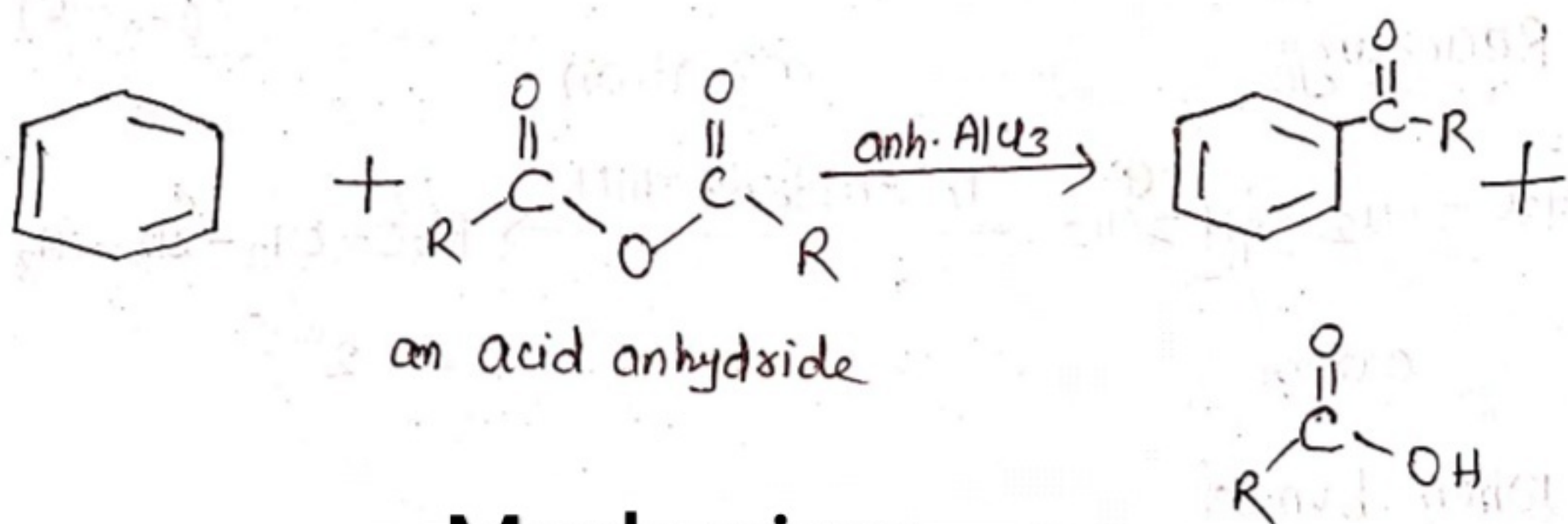
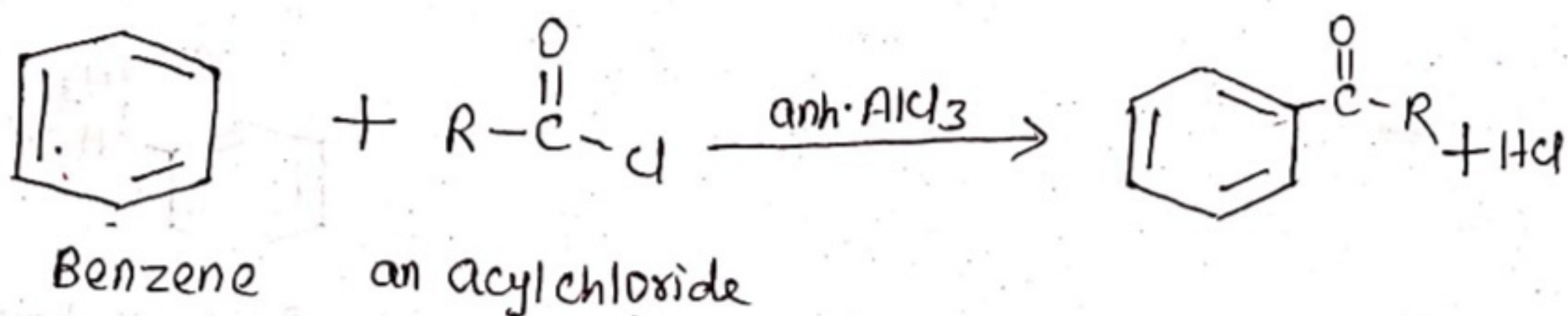
### Rearrangement of the carbocation





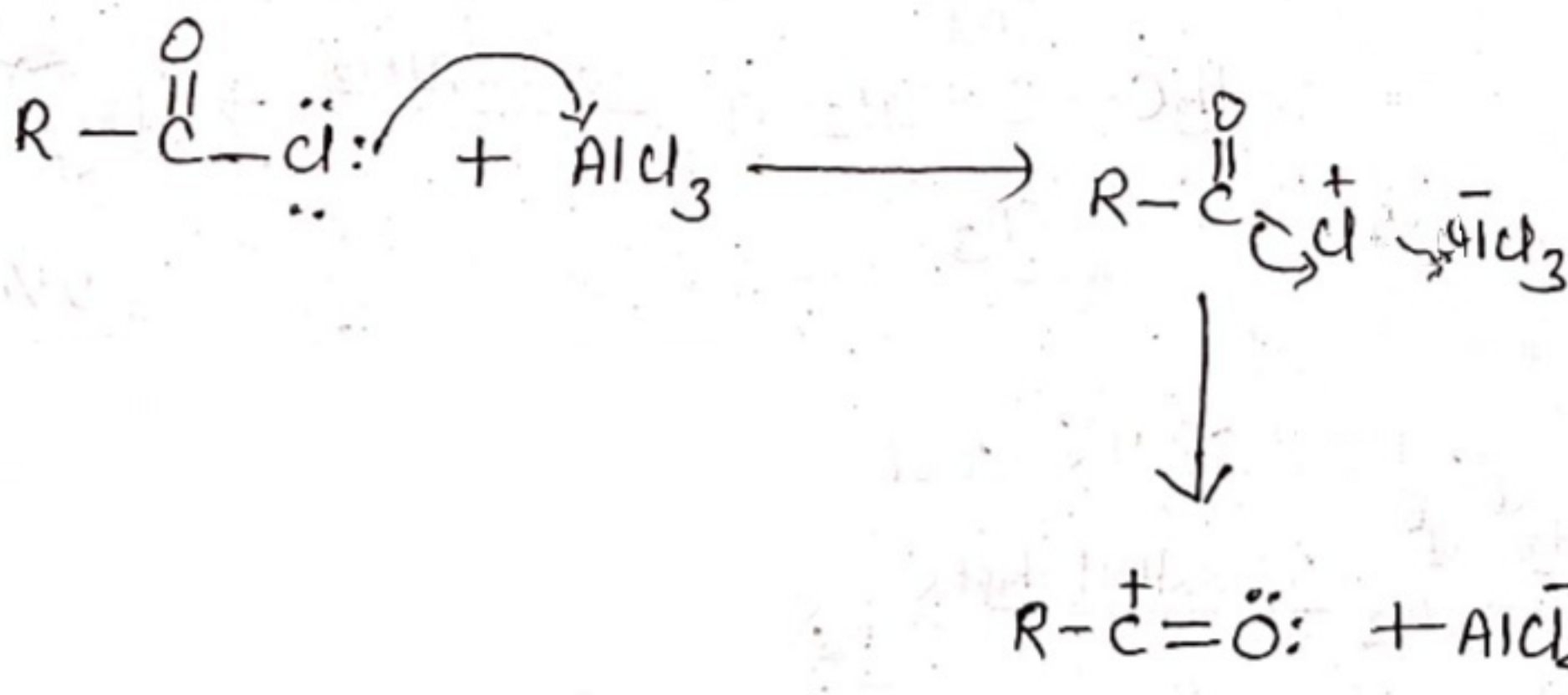
# FRIEDEL CRAFT'S ACYLATION REACTION 4.

Benzene reacts with acid Chloride (or anhydrides) in the presence of aluminium chloride to give aromatic Ketones.



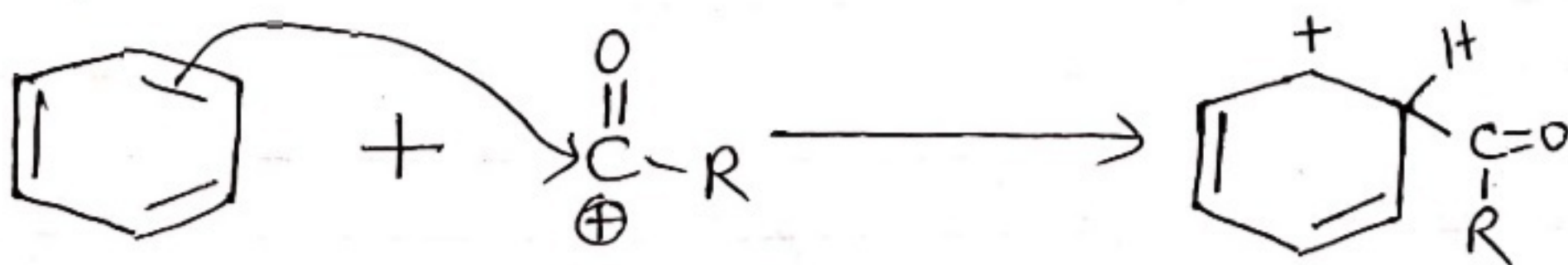
## Mechanism

Step 1. Formation of the electrophil (an acylium ion)  $R-\overset{\overset{+}{\text{C}}}{=}\ddot{\text{O}}:$



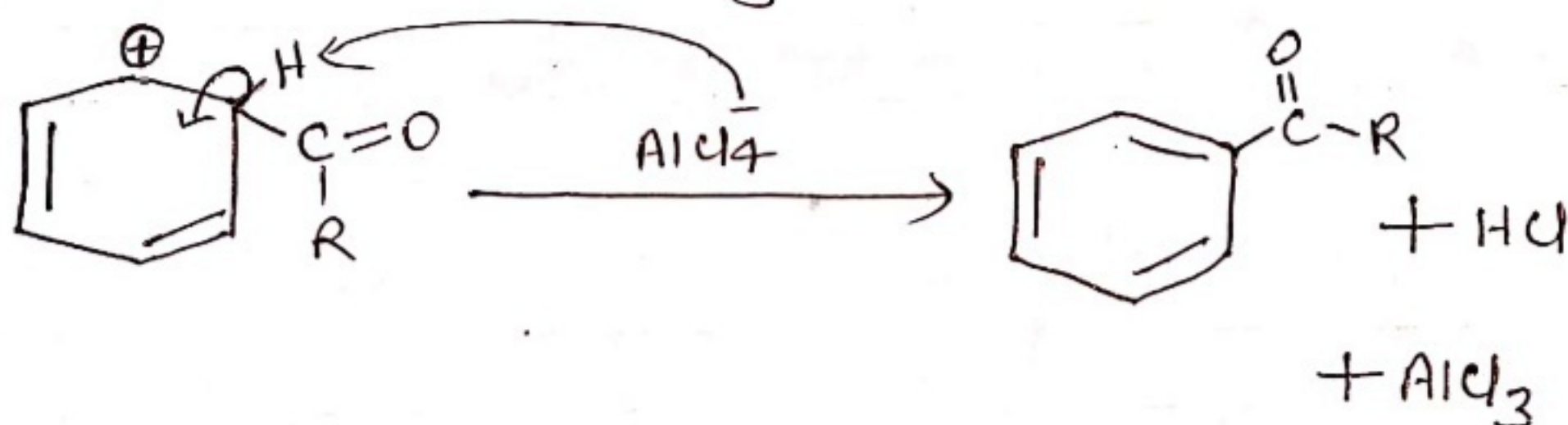
Step 2.

The electrophile attacks the benzene ring to form a carbocation.



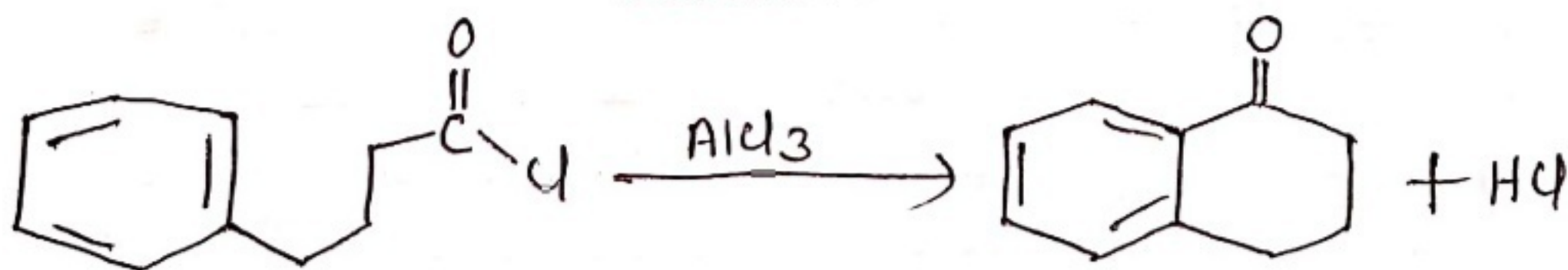
Step 3.

Loss of proton gives an aromatic ketone.



★ Example of intramolecular Friedel-Craft's

Reaction: - - -



4-phenylbutanoyl  
chloride.

$\alpha$ -tetralone

~Completed~

Electrophilic Substitution Reaction Completed