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Group A / DSE-4  
Organic Synthesis**



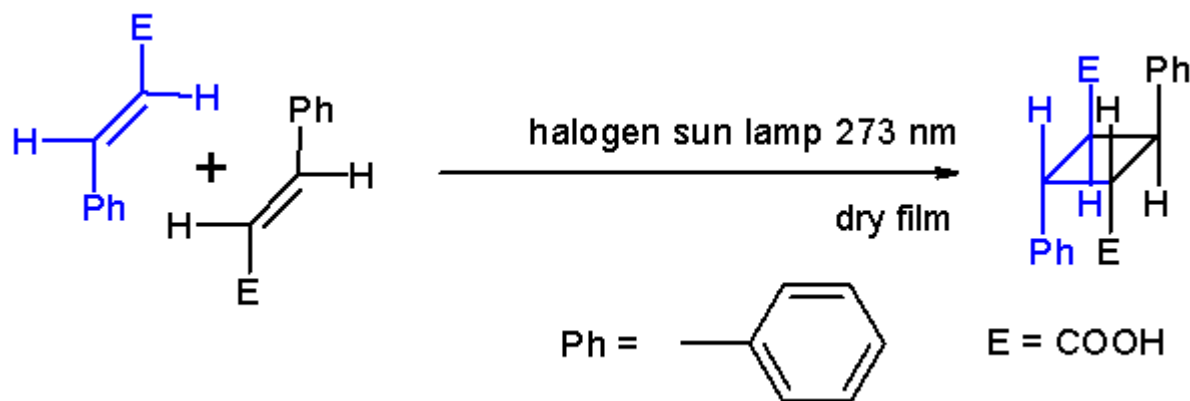
**II. Pericyclic Reactions  
6. Diels-Alder Reaction**



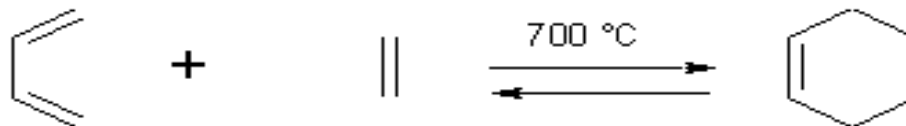
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# Cycloaddition Reaction

A **cycloaddition** is a reaction, in which two  $\pi$  bonds are lost and two  $\sigma$  bonds are gained. The resulting reaction is a cyclization reaction.

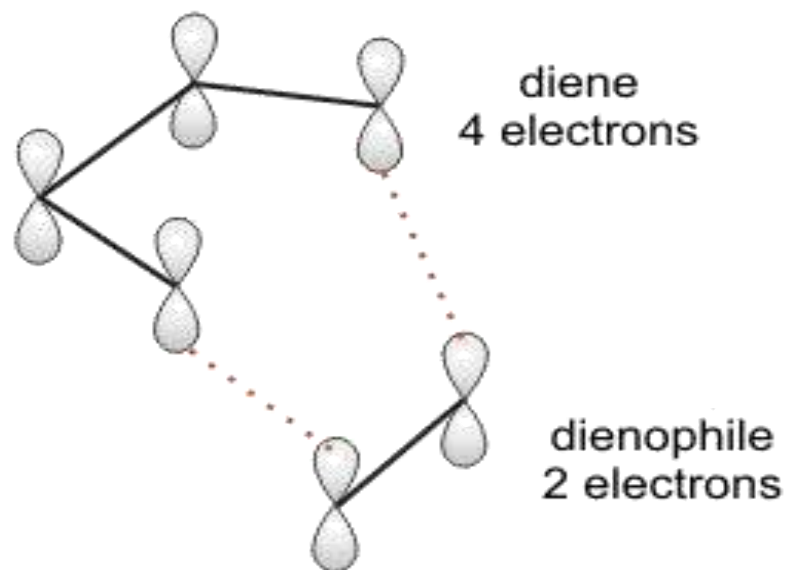


## 4+2 Cycloaddition Reaction (Supra-Supra)



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1876-1954



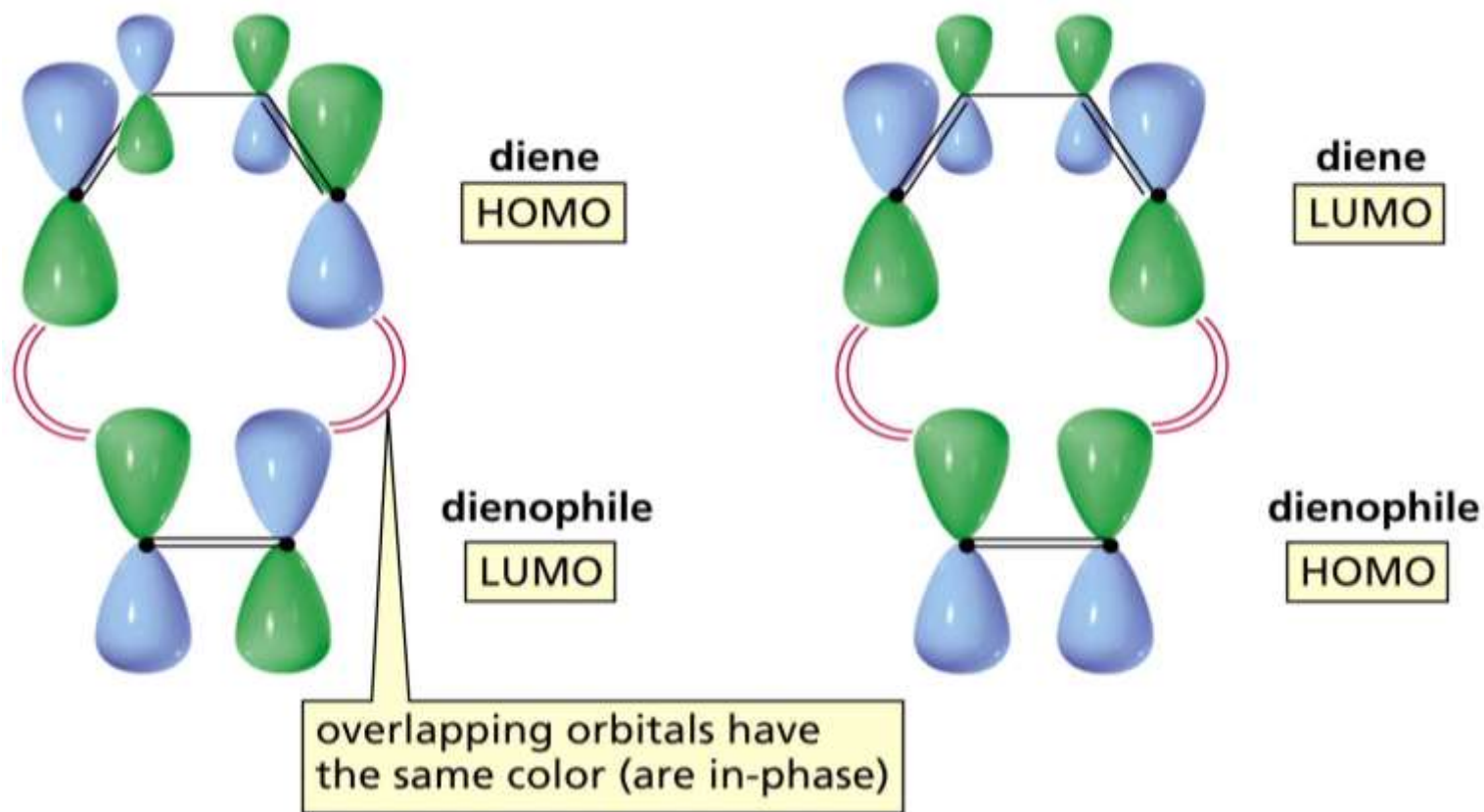
**Kurt Alder**  
1902-1958

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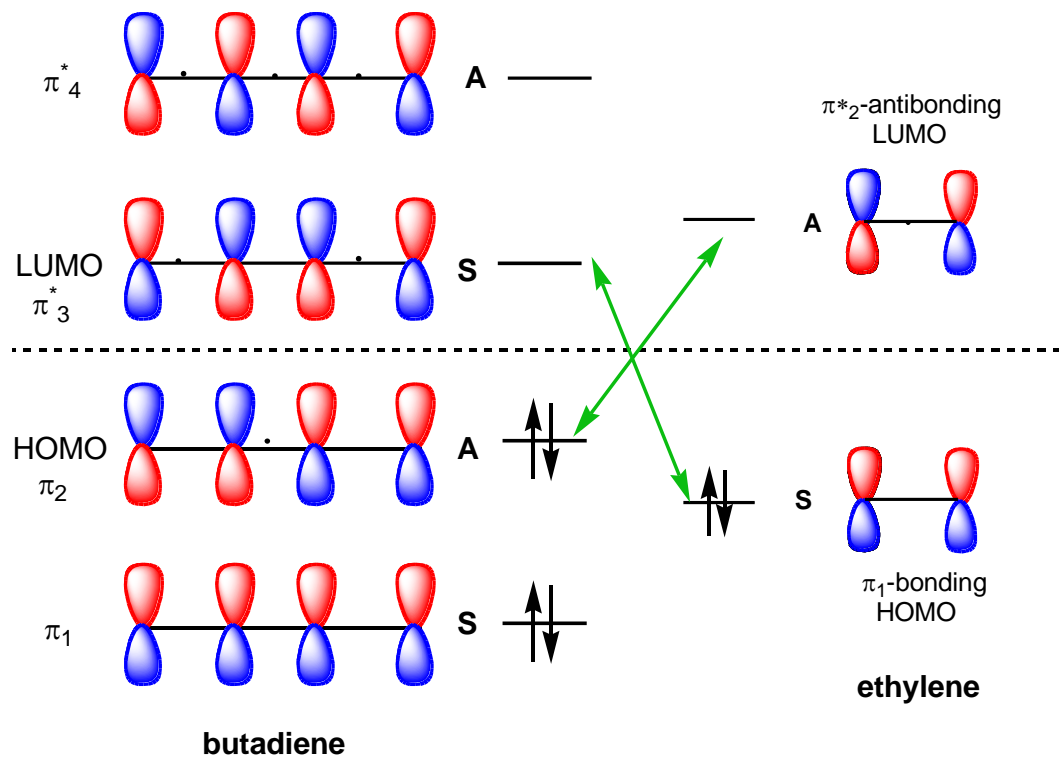
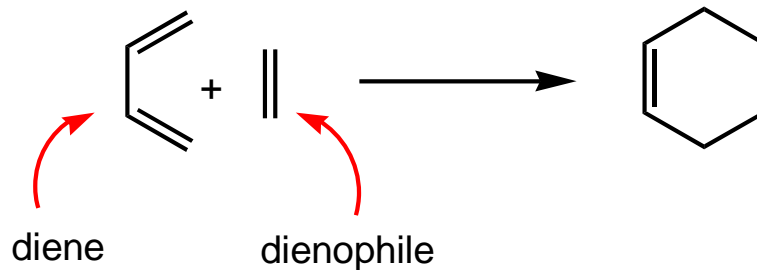
# Diels-Alder Cycloaddition : Frontier Orbital Interactions

## 6-e, 4+2 Supra-supra

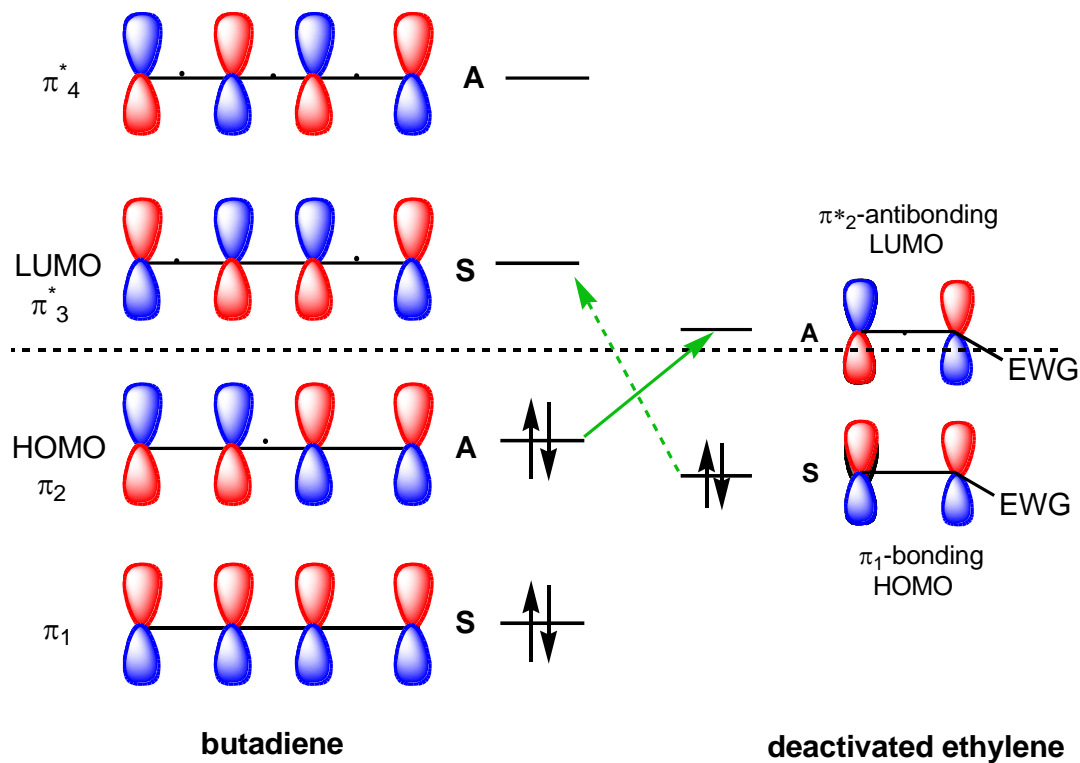
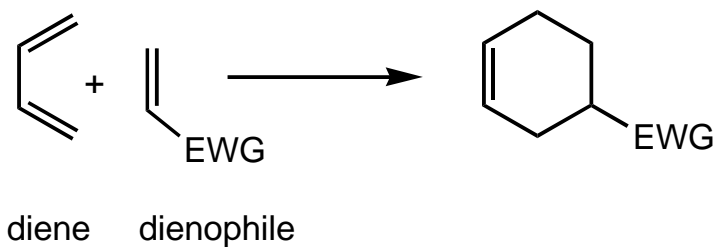


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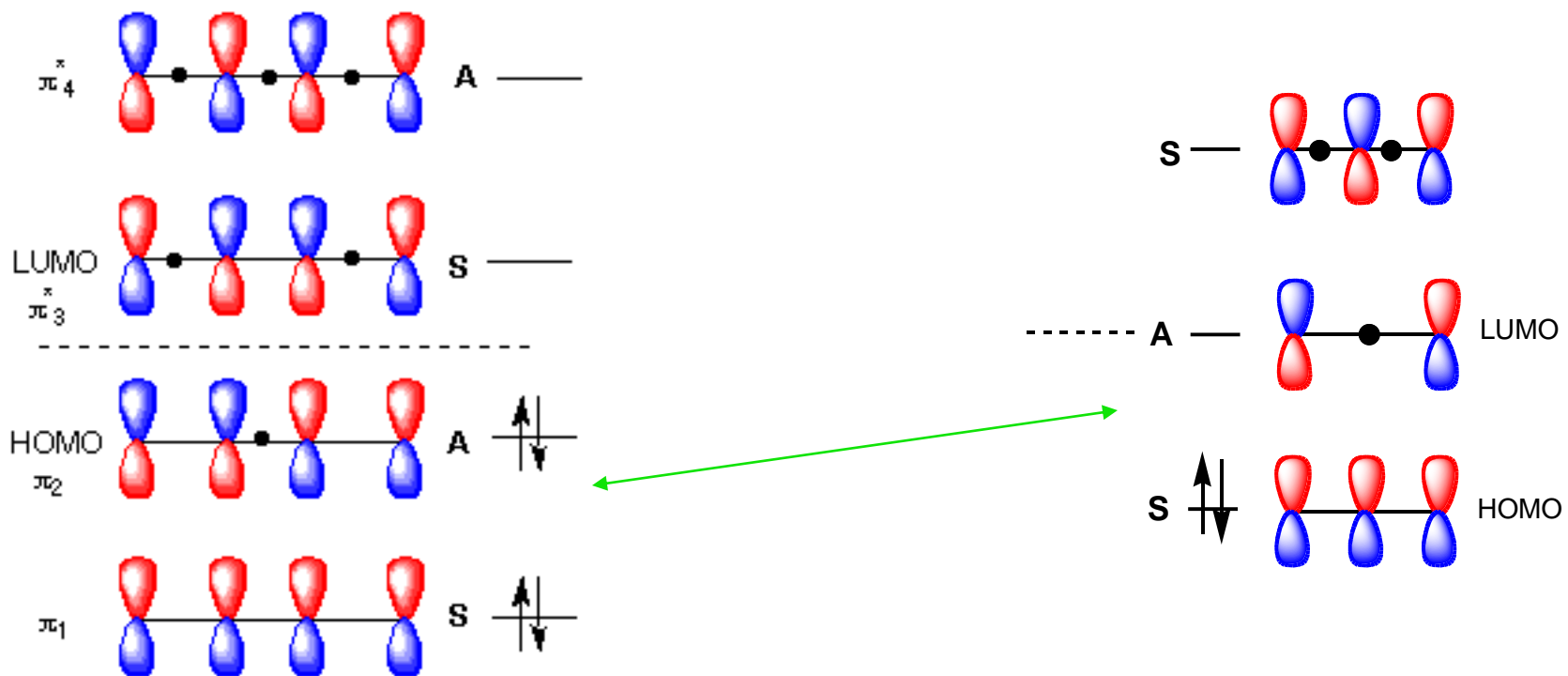
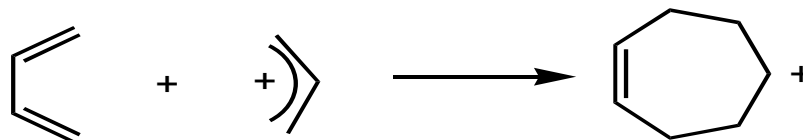
## An Allowed [4+2] Cycloaddition



# Diels-Alder Reaction: The Effect of Electron Withdrawing Groups

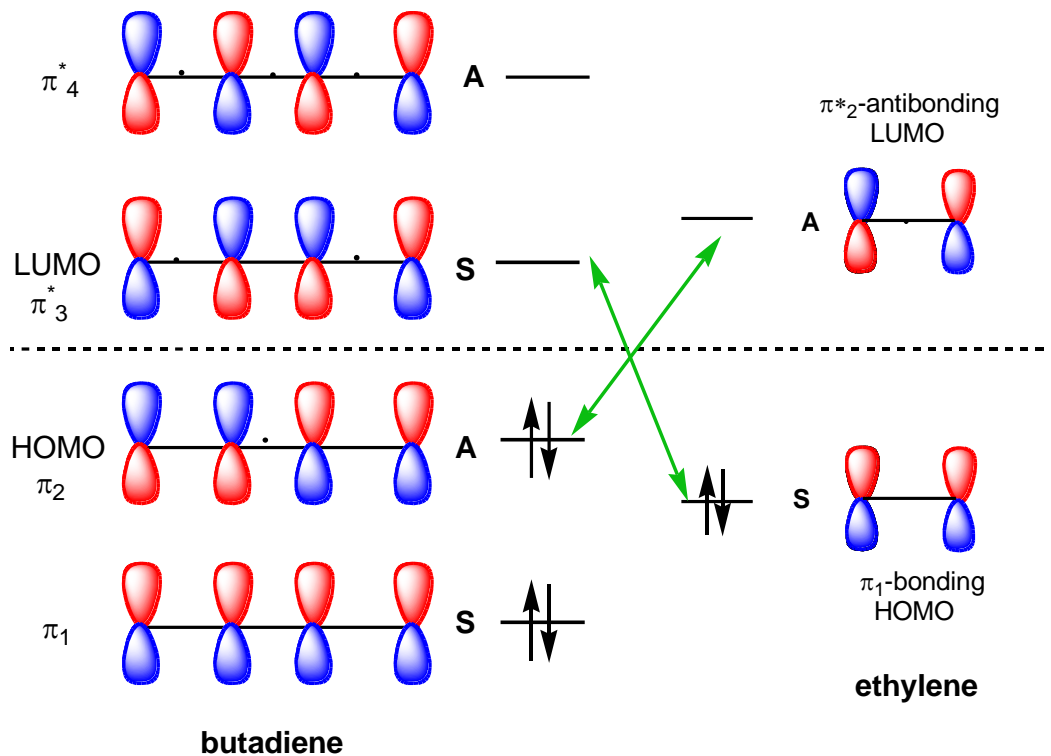
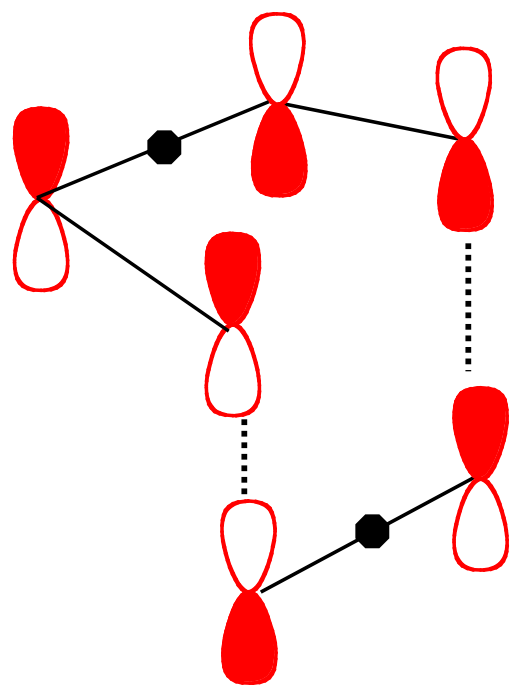


## [4+2]-Cycloadditions of Propenyl System

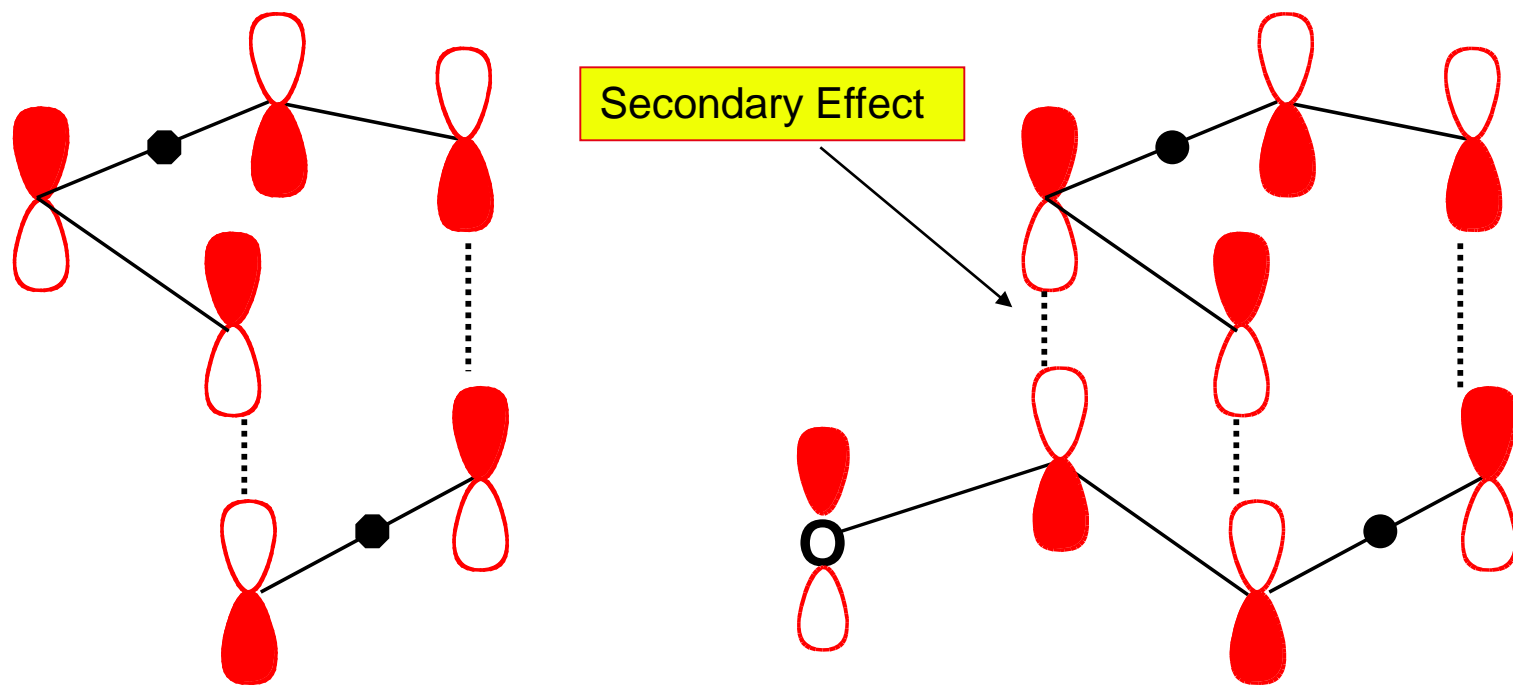




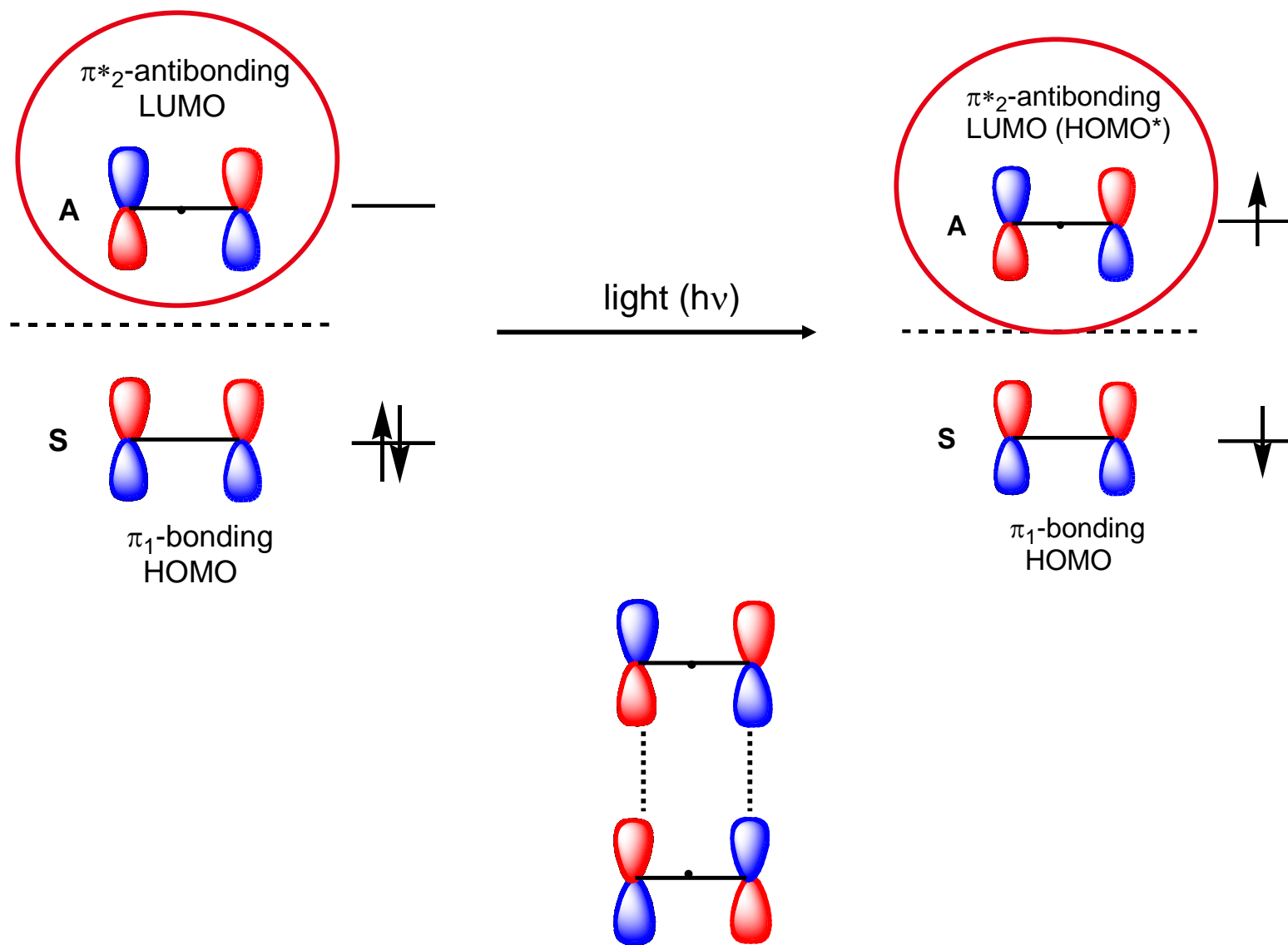
# Diels-Alder Reaction: Mechanism



## Diels-Alder Reaction: The Endo Effect

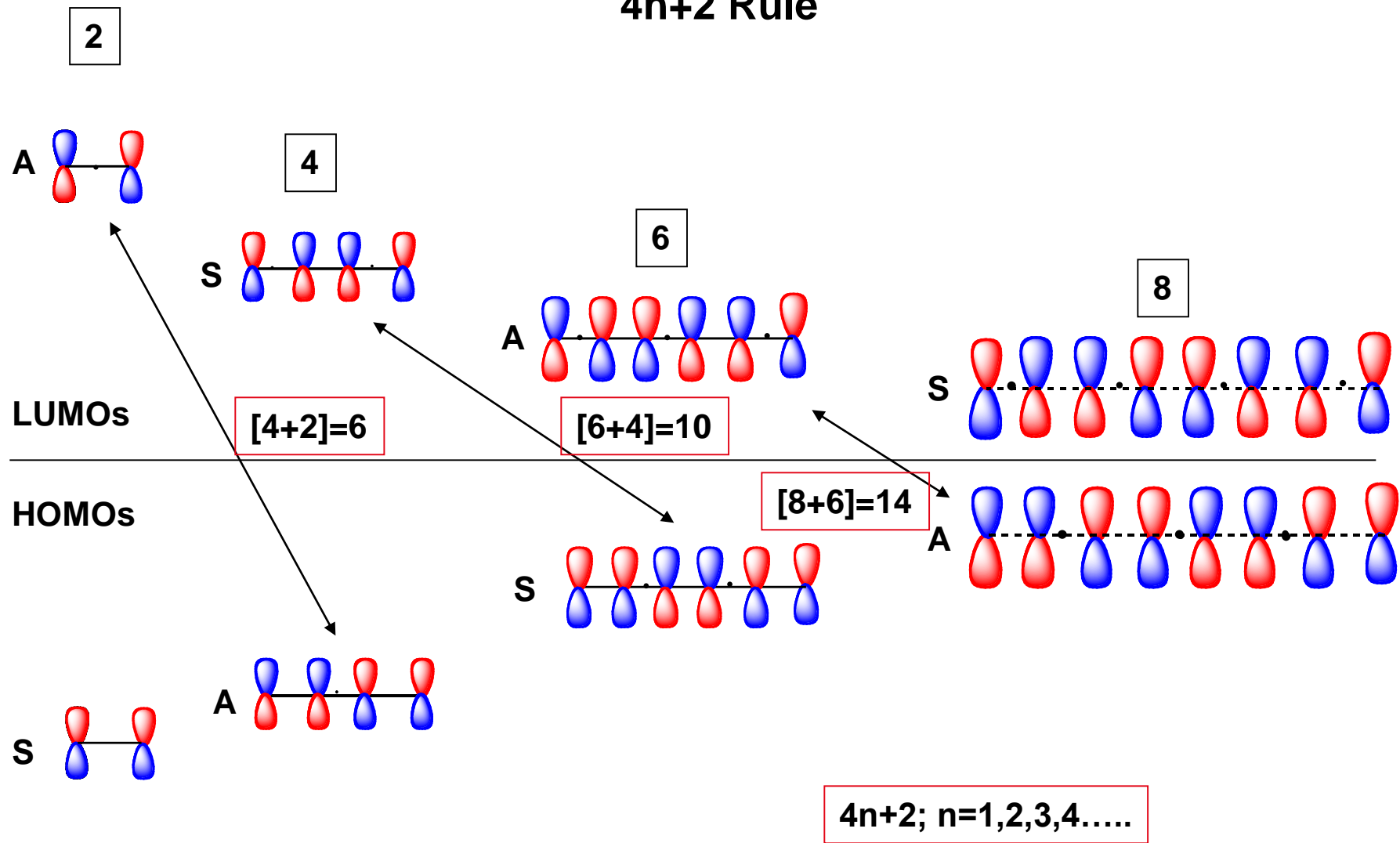


# A [2+2] Cycloaddition Reaction



# Thermally Allowed Cycloadditions : Selection Rule

## $4n+2$ Rule

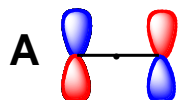


# Photochemically Allowed Cycloadditions : Selection Rule

## 4n Rule

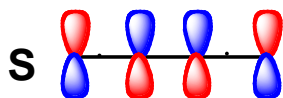
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$$[2+2]=4$$



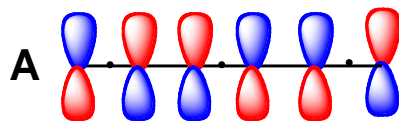
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$$[4+4]=8$$



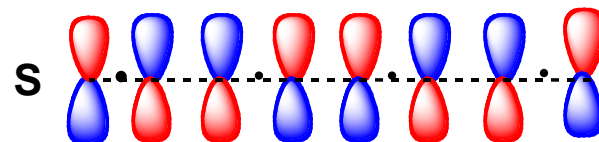
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$$[6+6]=12$$



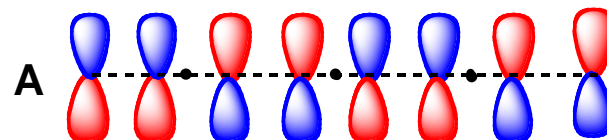
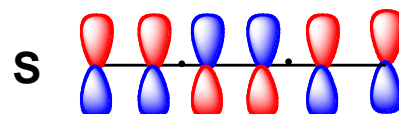
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$$[8+8]=16$$

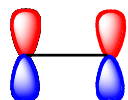


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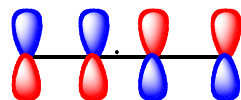
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$$4n; n=1,2,3,4,\dots$$

$$\text{and } [2+6]=8; [8+4]=12$$

# Summary of Selection Rules of Cycloadditions

	2	4	6	8	10	
Thermal $4n+2$	2	P	T	P	T	P
	4	T	P	T	P	T
Photochemical $4n$	6	P	T	P	T	P
	8	T	P	T	P	T
	10	P	T	P	T	P

# Thank You



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