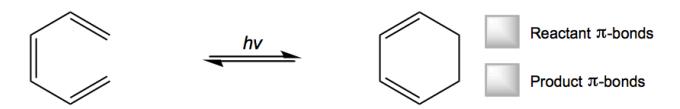
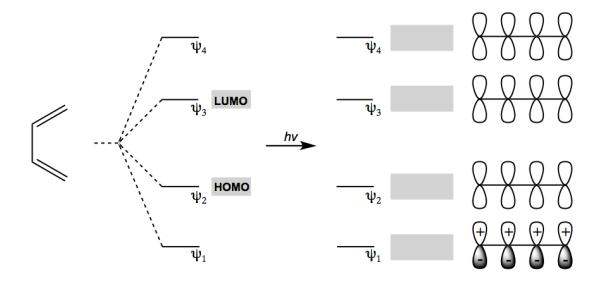
CONCEPT: PHOTOCHEMICAL ELECTROCYCLIC REACTIONS

• Intramolecular pericyclic reactions in which _____ *π-bond* is destroyed after a _____-activated cyclic mechanism



• All conjugated polyenes are capable of intramolecular electrocyclic reactions, however stereochemistry is variable.

 \Box Light excites ground-state electrons to a _____ energy state ($\psi \rightarrow \psi^*$). HOMO / LUMO orbitals change.



• When substituents are involved in cyclization, stereochemistry is dependent on rotation type.

EXAMPLE: Predict the product in the following electrocyclic reaction. Label the reaction as either conrotatory or disrotatory.

