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Chemistry 320N
1st Midterm Exam
February 9, 2023

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Please Note: Please take your time. You have three hours to take this exam. Please do not rush, we want you to show us everything you have learned this semester so far! Making careless mistakes is not good for anyone! If you find yourself getting anxious because of a problem, skip it and come back. Please do not second guess yourself! Keep track of the questions worth a lot of points. (This does not mean they are hard, it just means we think they cover important material.)

One last thing: I recommend you close your eyes for a moment, then take some nice deep breaths before you begin. YOU GOT THIS!

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Compound		pK _a
Hydrochloric acid	H-Cl	-7
Protonated alcohol	$\text{RCH}_2\text{OH}_2^+$	-2
Hydronium ion	H_3O^+	-1.7
Carboxylic acids	$\text{R}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{H}$	3-5
Thiols	RCH_2SH	8-9
Ammonium ion	H_4N^+	9.2
β-Dicarbonyls	$\text{RC}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{CH}_2-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{CR}'$	10
Primary ammonium	$\text{H}_3\text{N}^+\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$	10.5
β-Ketoesters	$\text{RC}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{CH}_2-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{OR}'$	11
β-Diesters	$\text{ROC}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{CH}_2-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{OR}'$	13
Water	HOH	15.7
Alcohols	RCH_2OH	15-19
Acid chlorides	$\text{RCH}_2-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{Cl}$	16
Aldehydes	$\text{RCH}_2-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{H}$	18-20
Ketones	$\text{RCH}_2-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{R}'$	18-20
Esters	$\text{RCH}_2-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{R}'$	23-25
Terminal alkynes	$\text{RC}\equiv\text{C}-\text{H}$	25
LDA	$\text{H}-\text{N}(\text{i-C}_3\text{H}_7)_2$	40
Terminal alkenes	$\text{R}_2\text{C}=\underset{\text{H}}{\text{C}}-\text{H}$	44
Alkanes	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2-\text{H}$	51

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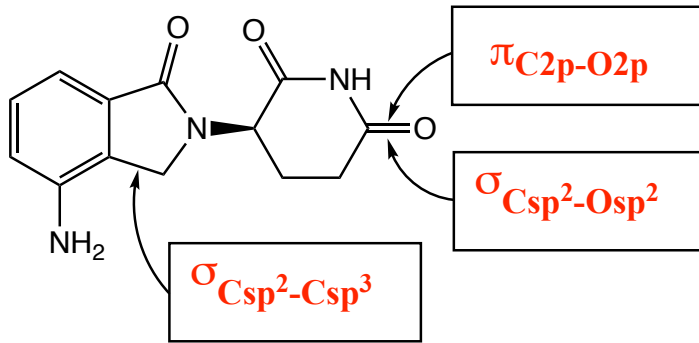
1. (5 pts) What is the most important question in organic chemistry?

Where are the electrons?

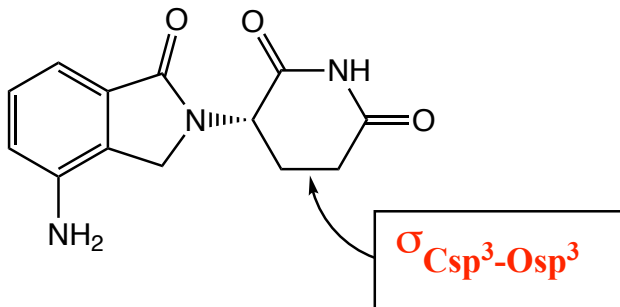
2. (1 pt each) Fill in each blank with the word that best completes the sentences. Yep, this is the MRI paragraph!

The popular medical diagnostic technique of 1. magnetic 2. resonance
3. imaging (MRI) is based on the same principles as 4. NMR,
namely the flipping (i.e. 5. resonance) of nuclear spins of H atoms by
6. radio frequency irradiation when a patient is placed in a strong
7. magnetic 8. field. Magnetic field 9. gradients
are used to gain 10. imaging information, and rotation of the
11. gradient around the center of the object gives imaging in an entire plane (i.e.
12. slice inside patient). In an MRI image, you are looking at individual
13. slices that when 14. stacked make up the three-
dimensional image of 15. relative amounts of 16. H atoms,
especially the 17. H atoms from 18. water and
19. fat, in the different 20. tissues.

3. (2 pts each) In the spaces provided, indicate the type of bond, and the hybridized orbitals that overlap to form the bond. For example, one answer could be: $\sigma \text{Csp}^3\text{-H}1s$



Note: for the multiple bonds, you can put the orbitals in any order, you just need to describe all the bonds.



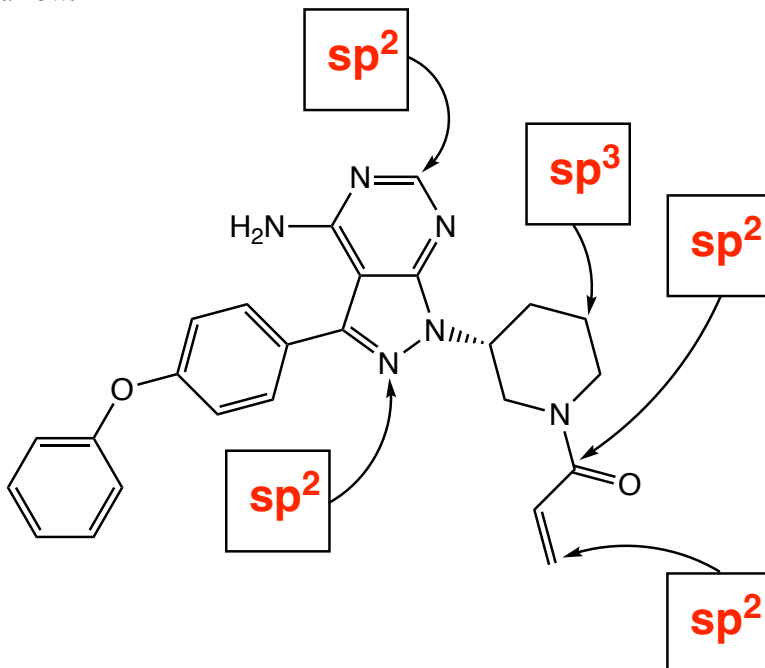
Revlimid (sold as a racemic mixture)

Company: Bristol Myers Squibb

2022 sales: \$9.5 billion

Use: Treats cancers such as multiple myeloma

4 (1 pt each) In the spaces provided, write the hybridization state of the atoms indicated by the arrow.



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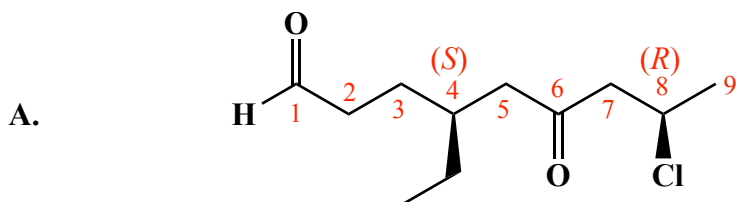
Companies AbbVie, Johnson & Johnson

2021 sales: \$9.8 billion

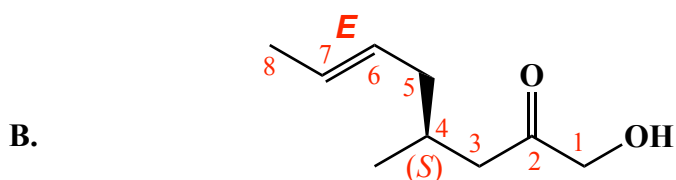
Use: Mantle cell lymphoma, chronic lymphocytic leukemia, Waldenstrom's macroglobulinemia, marginal zone lymphoma, chronic graft-versus-host disease

Diseases: Nonvalvular atrial fibrillation, deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism

6. (6 pts each) Write an acceptable IUPAC name or draw a structural formula for the following molecules:



(4*S*,8*R*)-8-chloro-4-ethyl-6-oxononanal

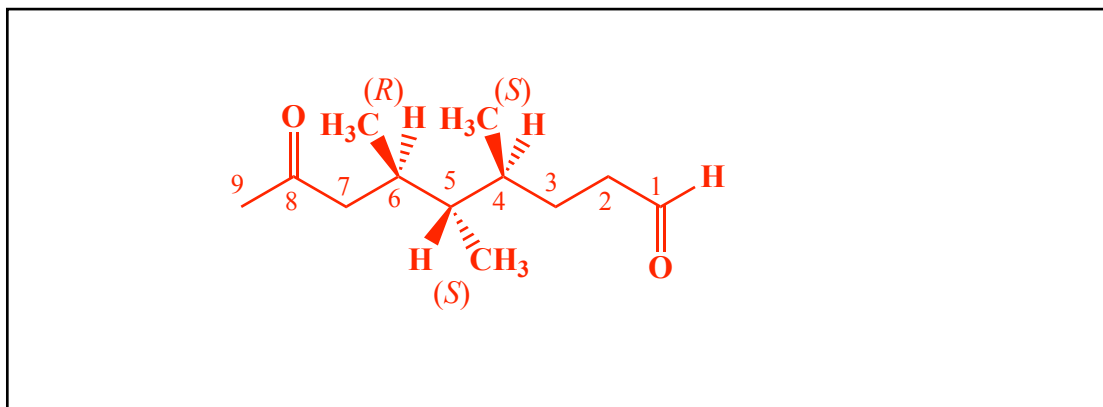


Note: You could include the numbers (4*S*,6*E*) but they are not required because there is only one C=C and only one chiral center.

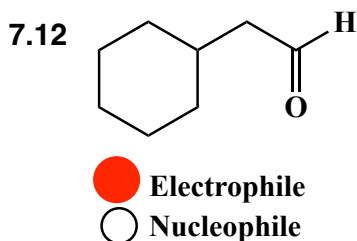
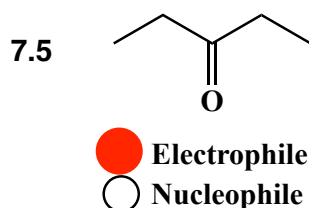
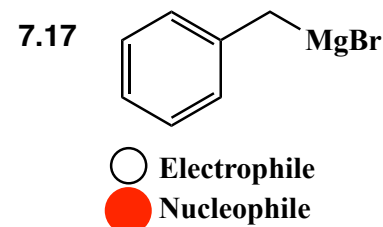
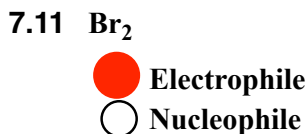
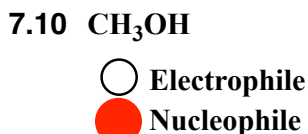
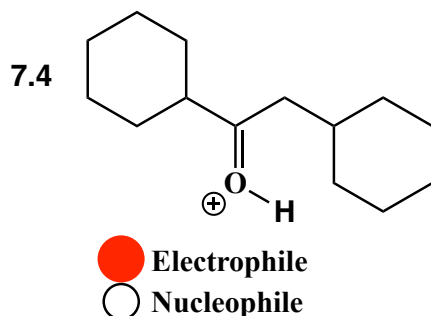
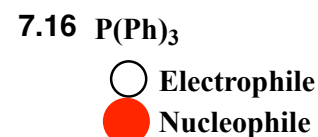
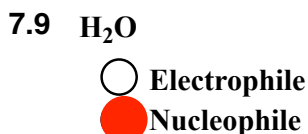
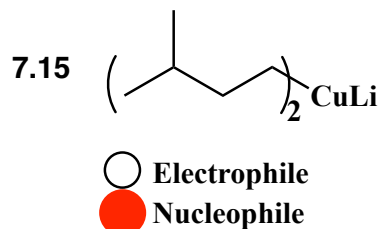
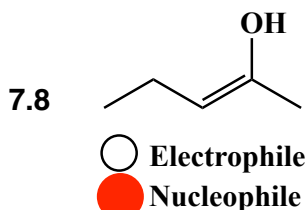
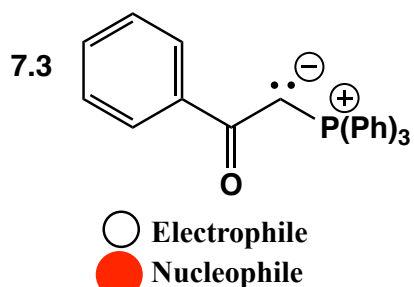
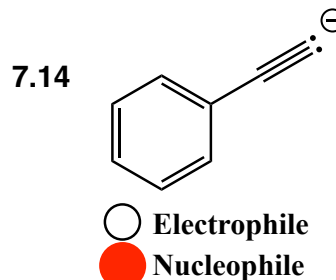
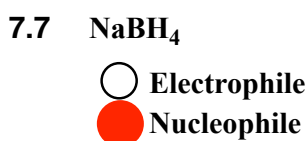
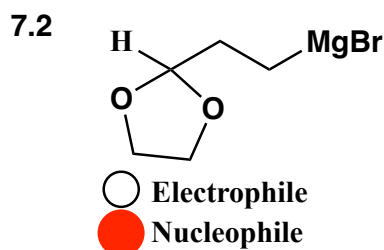
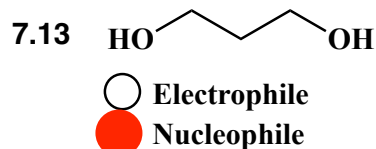
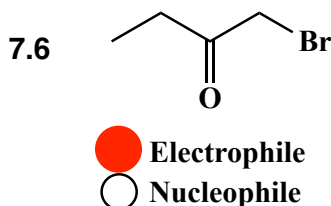
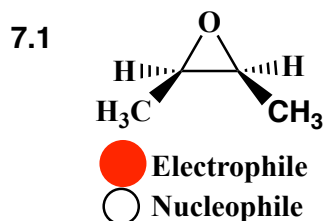
(*S*,*E*)-1-hydroxy-4-methyl-6-octen-2-one
or
(*S*,*E*)-1-hydroxy-4-methyloct-6-en-2-one

C. In the box, draw the structure corresponding to the following IUPAC name.

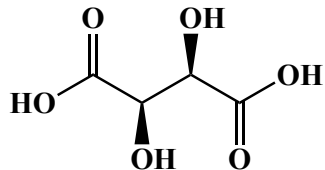
(4*S*,5*S*,6*R*)-4,5,6-trimethyl-8-oxononanal



7. (17 pts) Being able to recognize the chemical personality of different species is one of the most important skills you can develop in Organic Chemistry. Fill in the appropriate circle to indicate whether each structure is a nucleophile or electrophile. Note that these species might be acids or bases in certain situations, but we will ignore that for this problem.

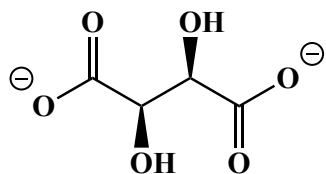


8. (4 pts each) (2*R*,3*R*)-(+)-Tartaric acid is found in wine. The two carboxylic acid groups have slightly different pKa values as listed below. The small difference makes sense because after the first carboxylic acid is deprotonated, that carboxylate slightly raises the pKa of the second carboxylic acid in the molecule. Recall that an alcohol has a pKa value of around 16.

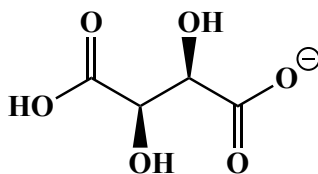


(2*R*,3*R*)-(+)-Tartaric acid
pKa1 = 2.98 and pKa2 = 4.4

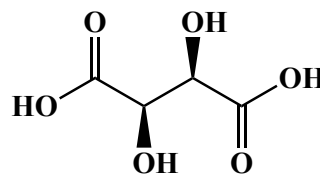
At neutral pH = 7.0, fill in the circle under the structure that is the predominant form of (2*R*,3*R*)-(+)-Tartaric acid.



Predominant form
at pH = 7.0

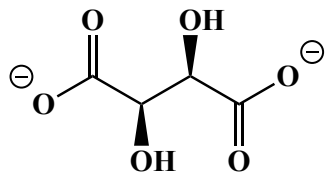


Predominant form
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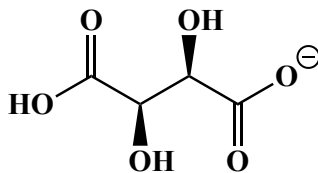


Predominant form
at pH = 7.0

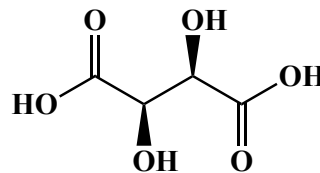
The pH of wine is below neutral and considered acidic, usually in the pH = 3-4 range. Fill in the circle under the structure that is the predominant form of (2*R*,3*R*)-(+)-Tartaric acid if the pH of the wine is exactly pH = 3.5



Predominant form
at pH = 3.5

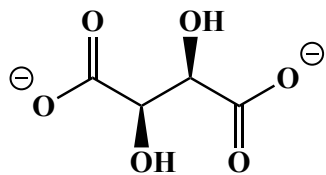


Predominant form
at pH = 3.5

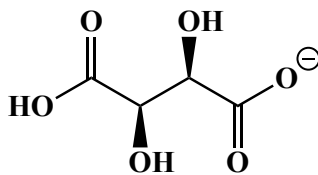


Predominant form
at pH = 3.5

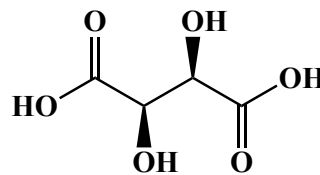
At a highly acidic pH = 2.0, fill in the circle under the structure that is the predominant form of (2*R*,3*R*)-(+)-Tartaric acid.



Predominant form
at pH = 2.0

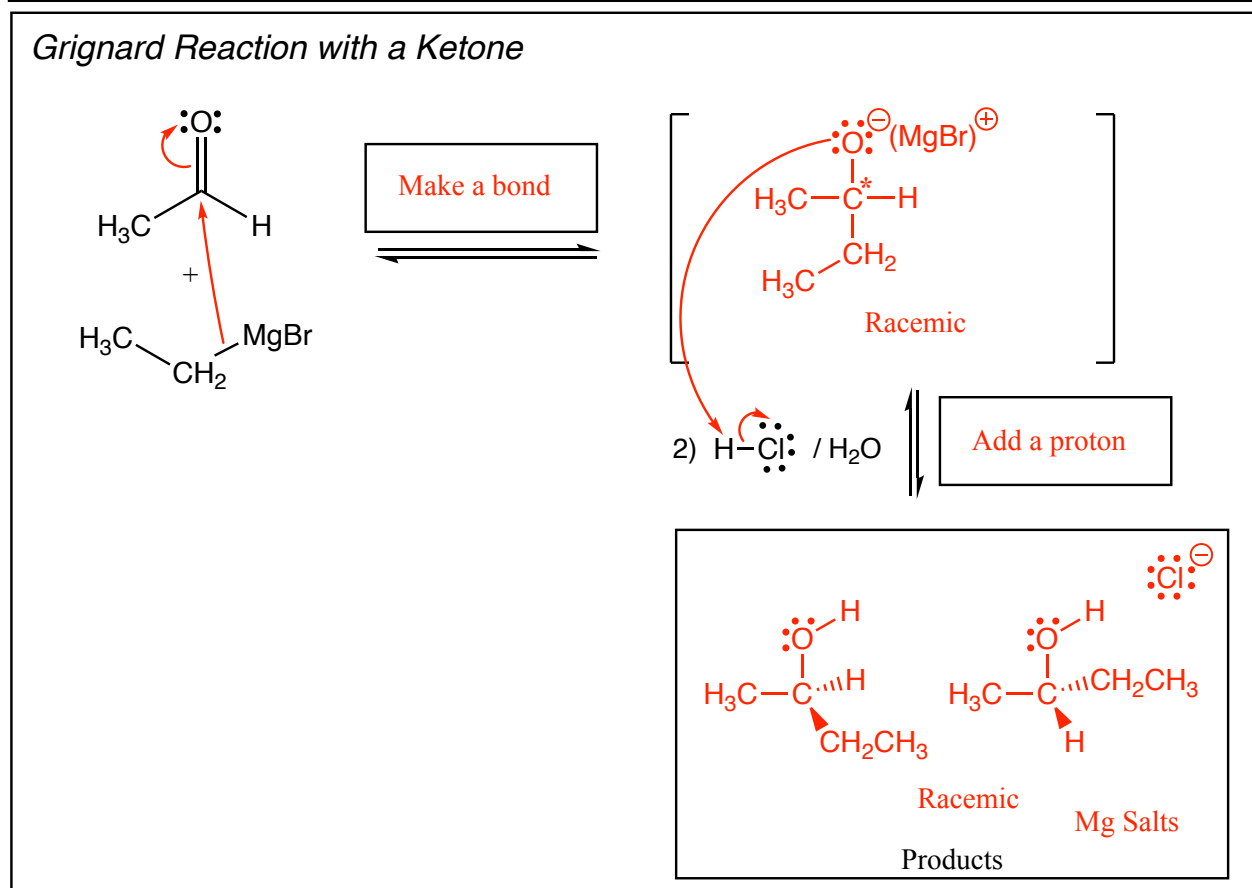
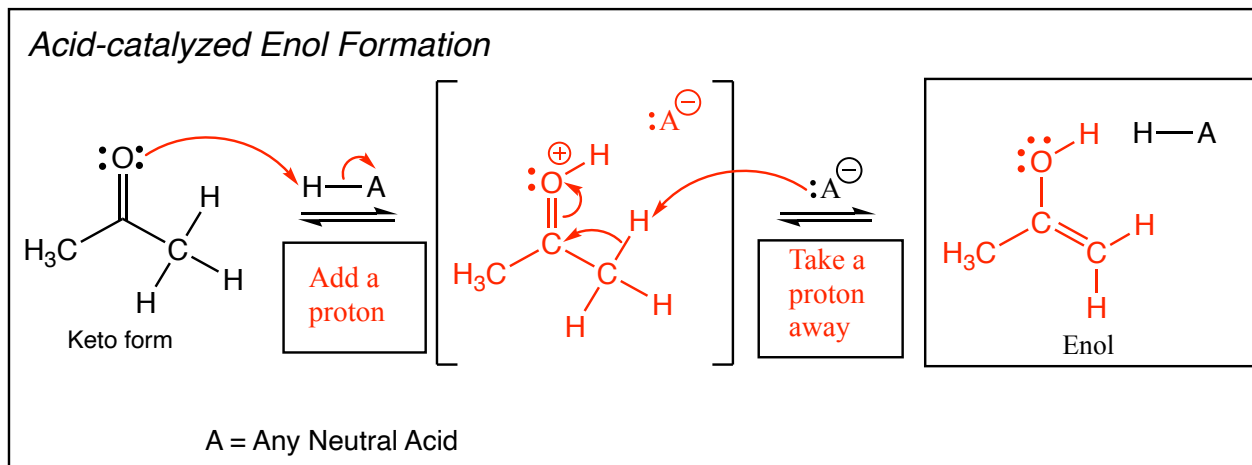


Predominant form
at pH = 2.0

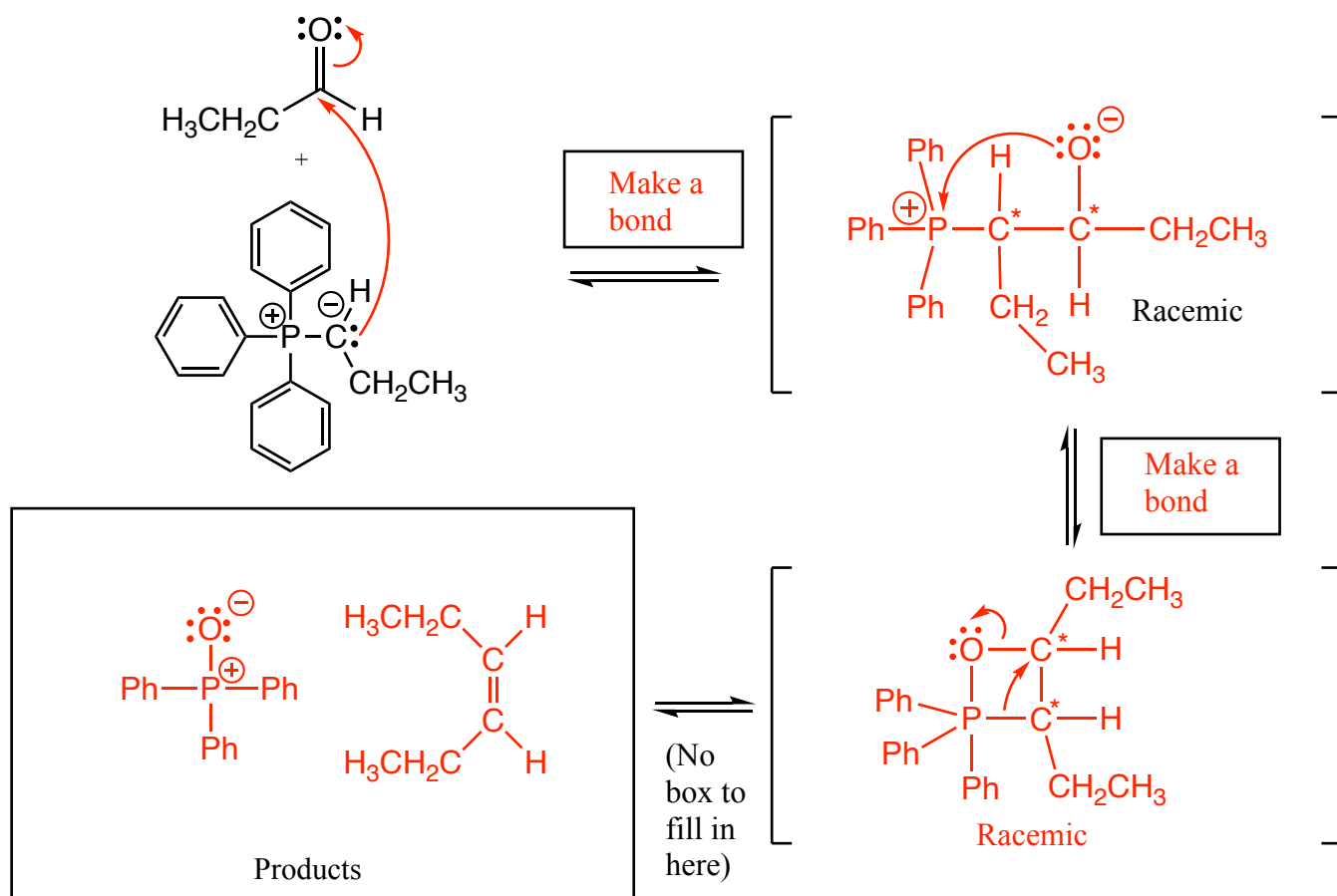


Predominant form
at pH = 2.0

9. (32 pts) For these two reactions, use **arrows to indicate movement of all electrons**, write **all lone pairs**, **all formal charges**, and **all the products for each step**. Remember, I said **all** the products for each step. **IF A NEW CHIRAL CENTER IS CREATED IN AN INTERMEDIATE, MARK IT WITH AN ASTERISK AND LABEL THE MOLECULE AS "RACEMIC" IF APPROPRIATE. FOR ALL CHIRAL PRODUCTS YOU MUST DRAW ALL ENANTIOMERS WITH WEDGES AND DASHES AND WRITE "RACEMIC" IF APPROPRIATE.** In the boxes provided by the arrows, write which of the 4 most common mechanistic elements describes each step (make a bond, break a bond, etc.).



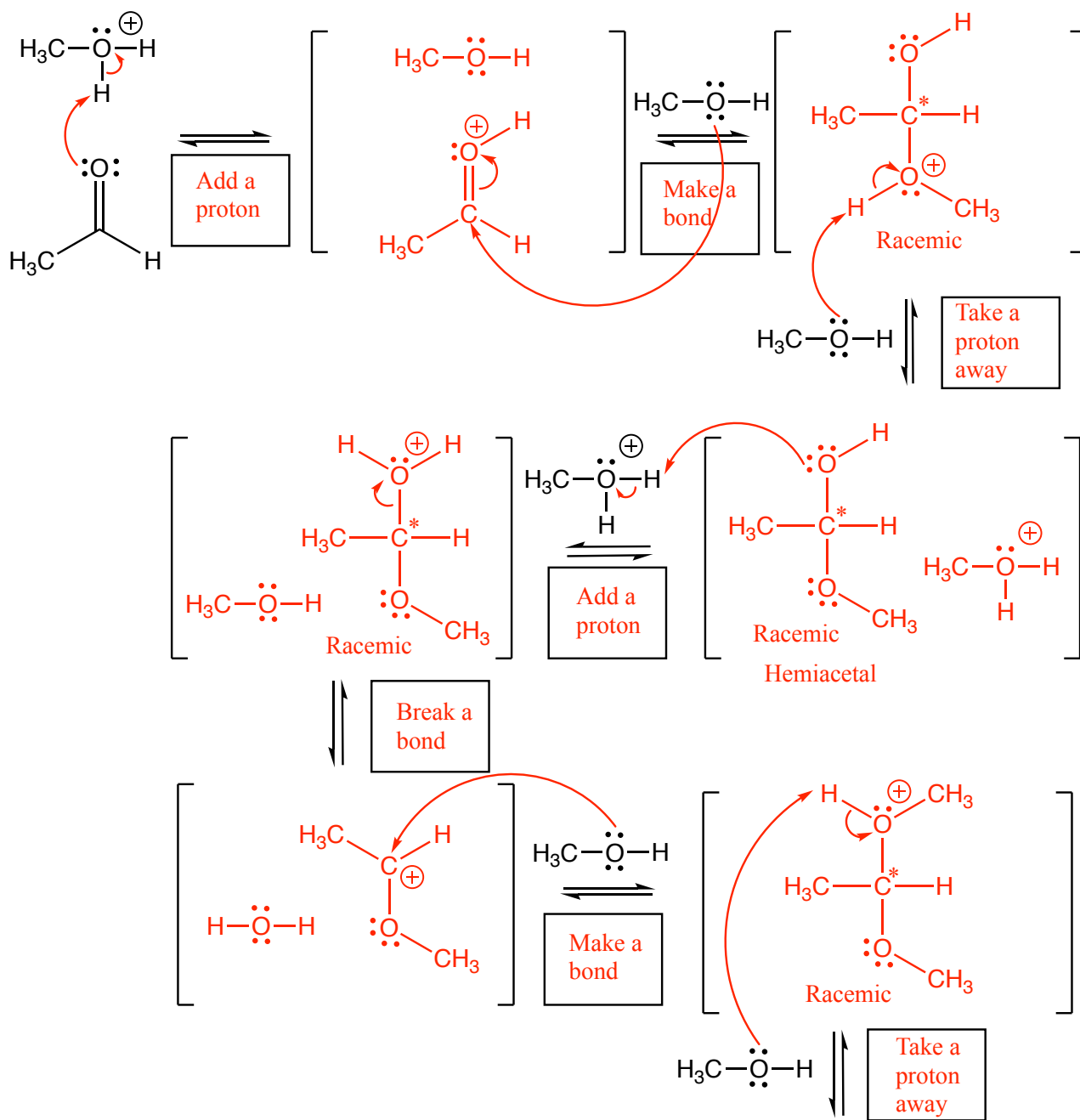
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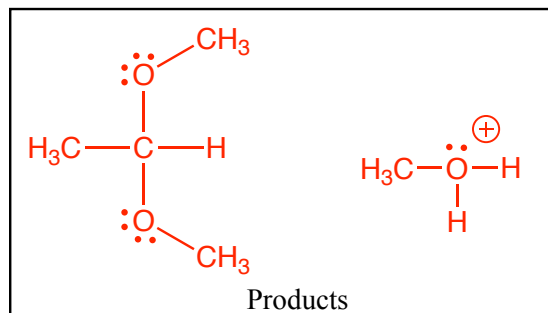
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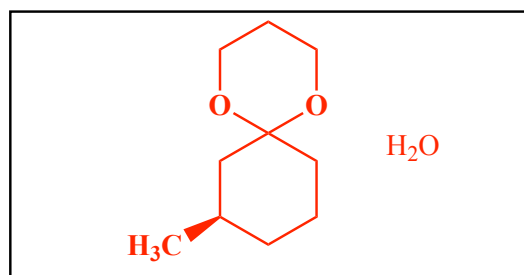
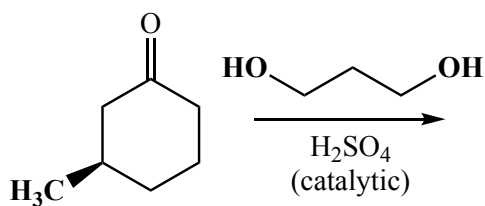
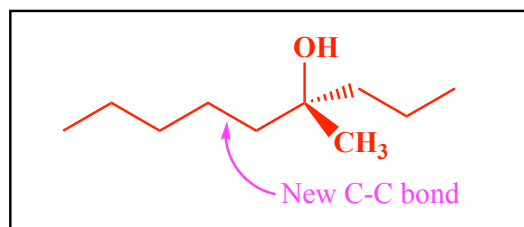
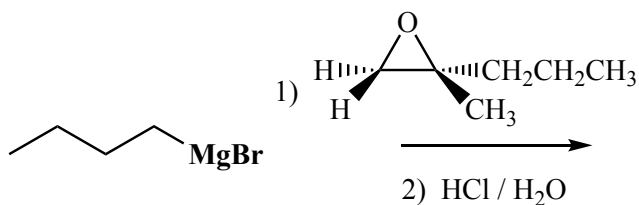
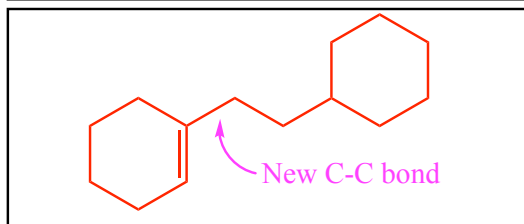
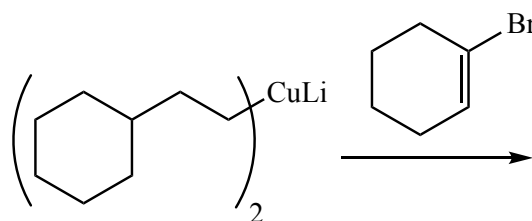
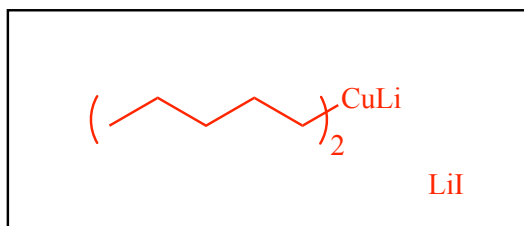
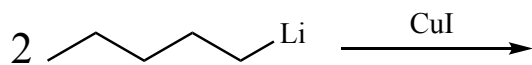
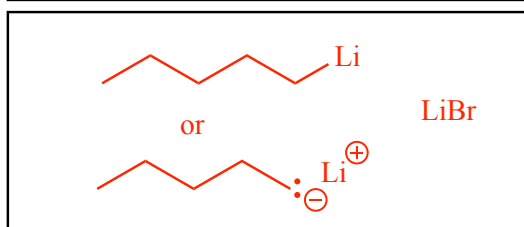
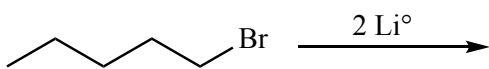
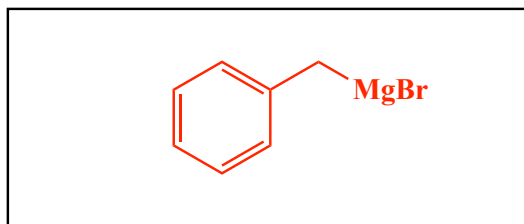
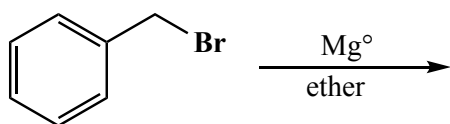
11. (54 pts) For the acetal formation mechanism on the following page, use arrows to indicate movement of all electrons, write all lone pairs, all formal charges, and all the products for each step. Remember, I said all the products for each step. IF A NEW CHIRAL CENTER IS CREATED IN AN INTERMEDIATE, MARK IT WITH AN ASTERISK AND LABEL THE MOLECULE AS “RACEMIC” IF APPROPRIATE. FOR ALL CHIRAL PRODUCTS YOU MUST DRAW ALL ENANTIOMERS WITH WEDGES AND DASHES AND WRITE “RACEMIC” IF APPROPRIATE. In the boxes provided by the arrows, write which of the 4 most common mechanistic elements describes each step (make a bond, break a bond, etc.). I put this on its own page so you have more room to draw the structures.



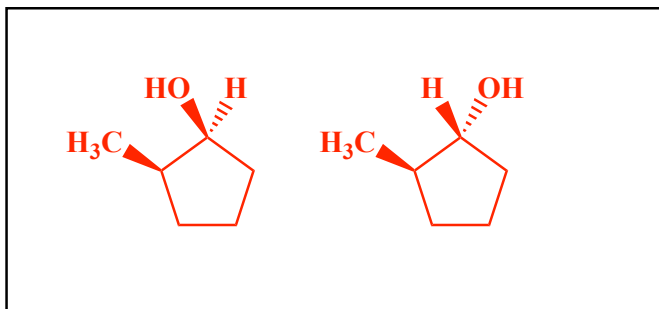
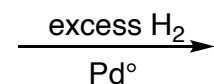
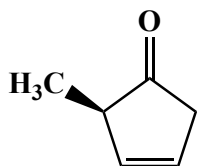
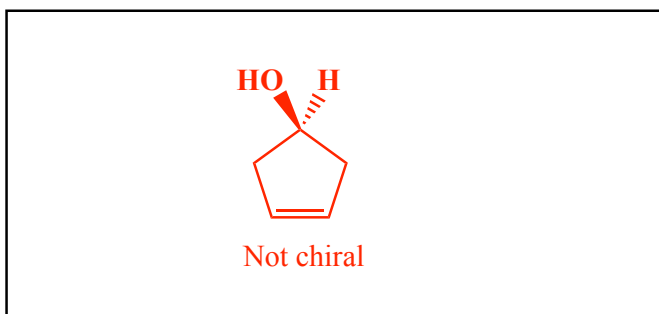
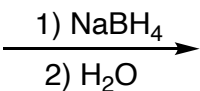
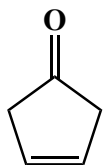
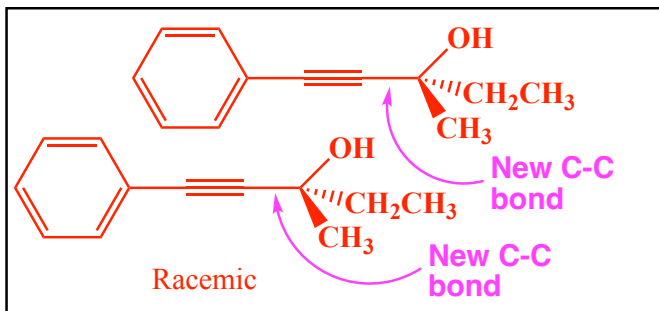
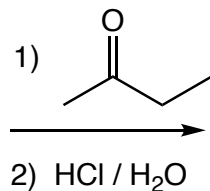
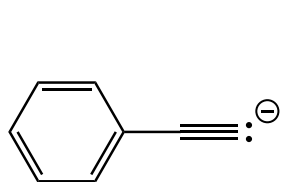
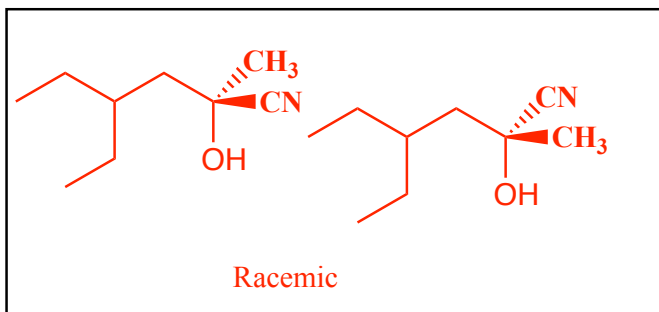
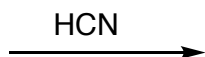
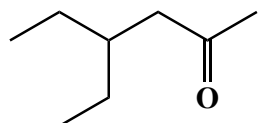
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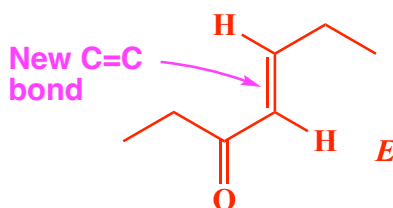
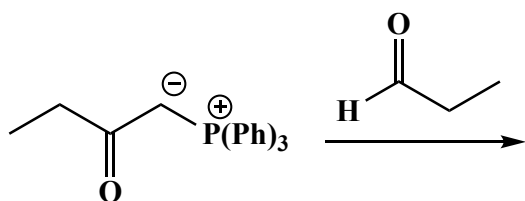
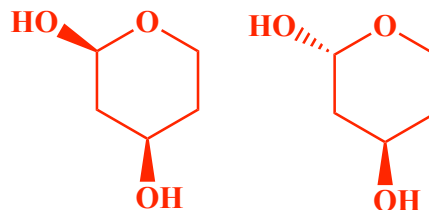
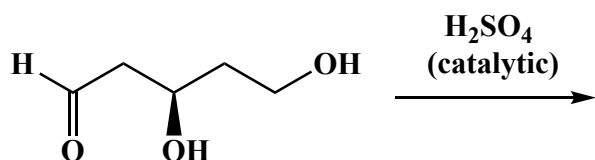
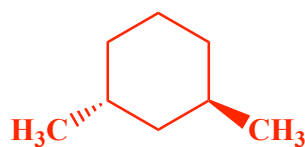
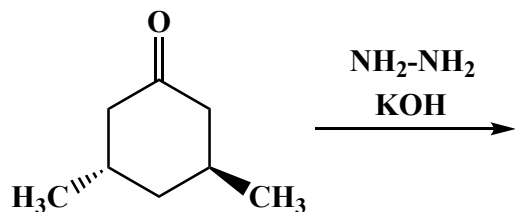
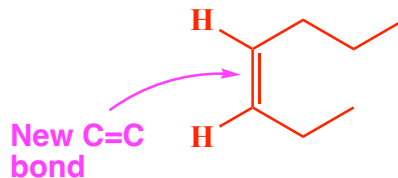
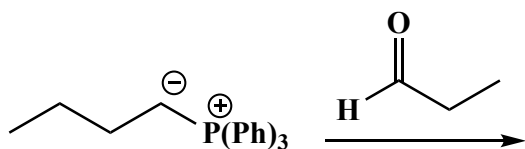
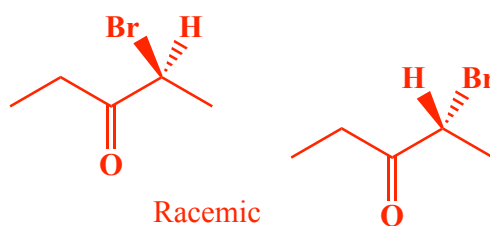
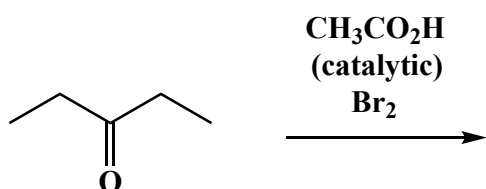
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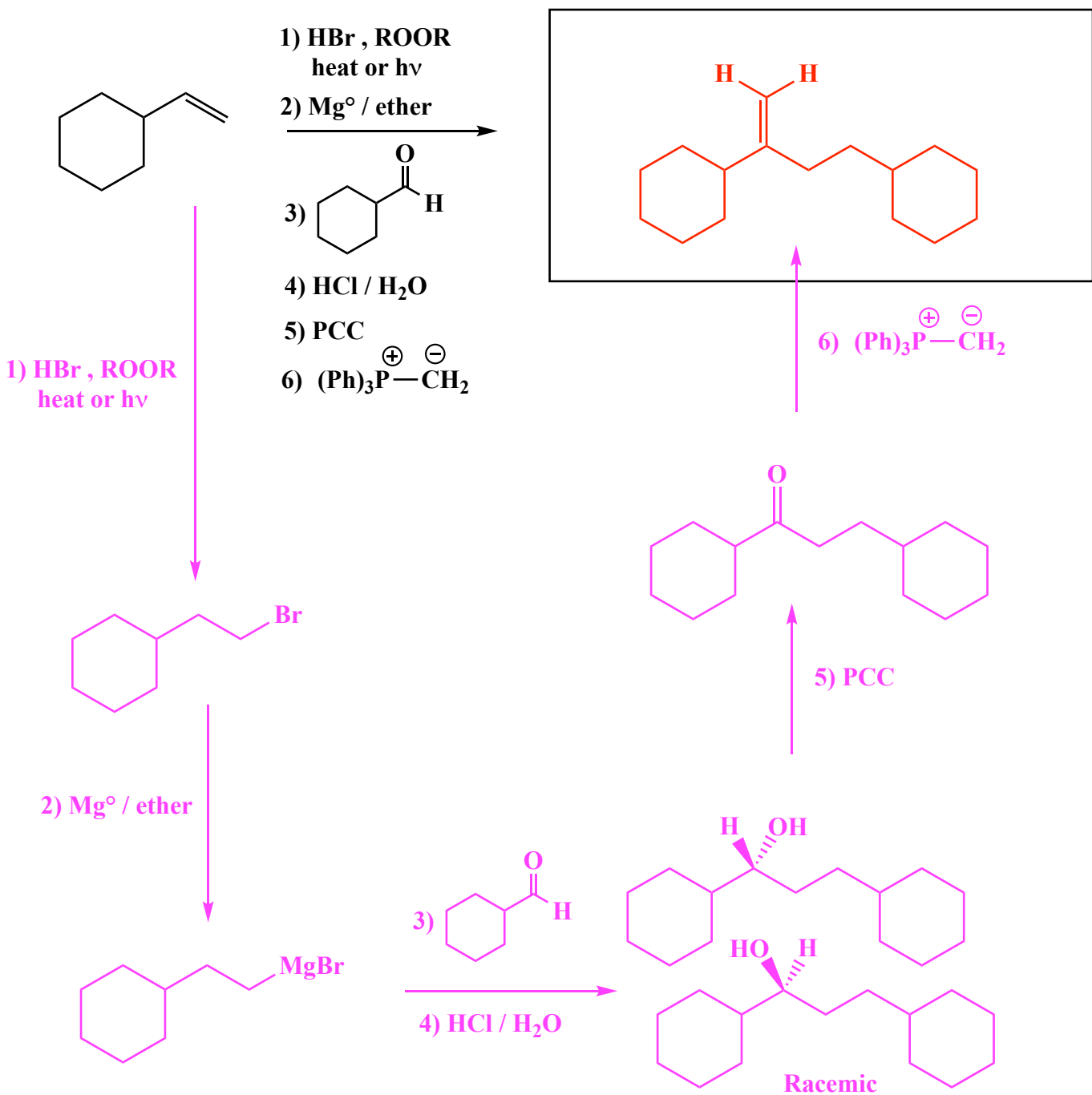
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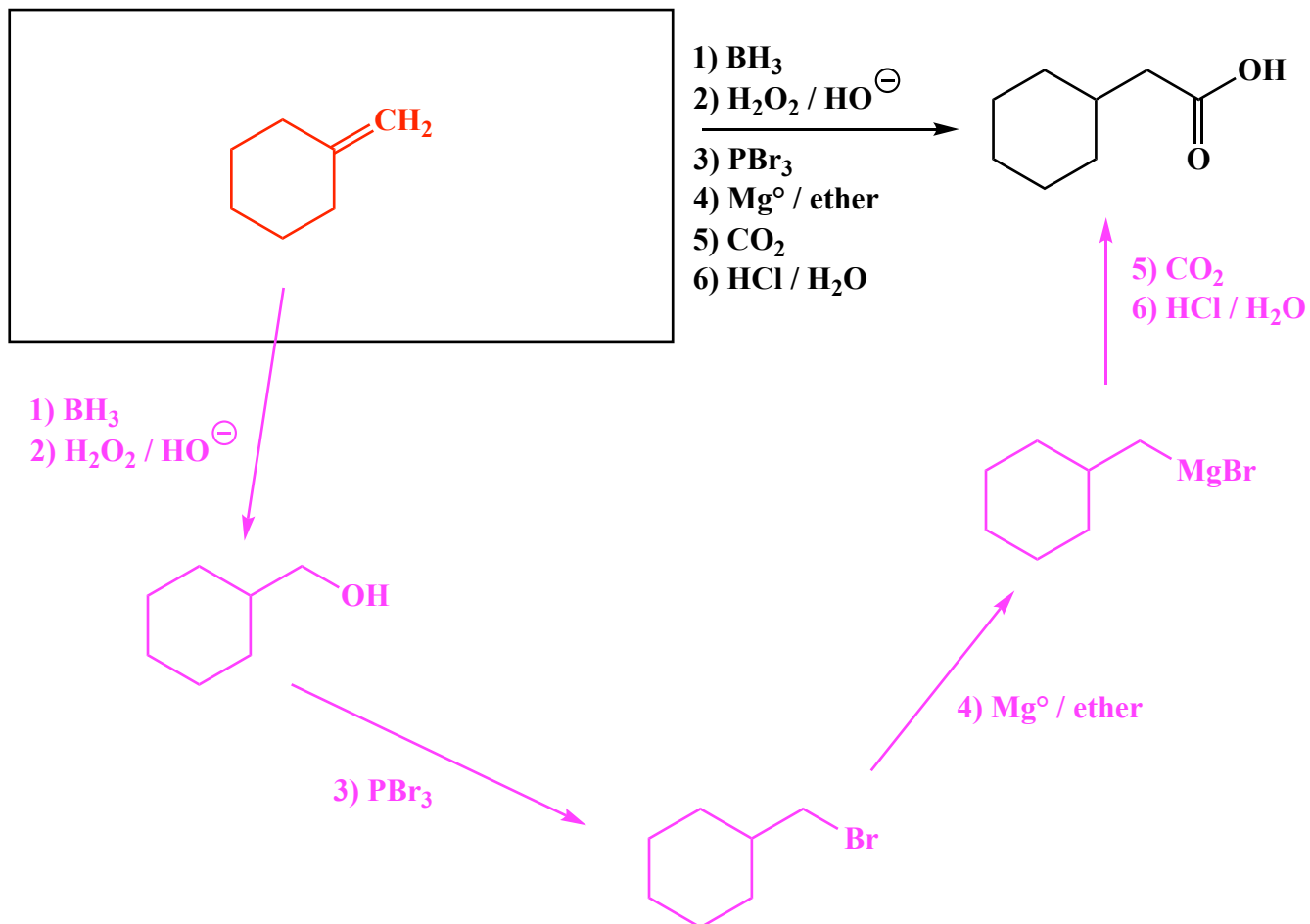
13. (12 pts) Here is a warm-up for the synthesis problems. For the following series of reactions, write the **final** product(s) that you will see. Make sure draw all stereoisomers produced and to use wedges and dashes to indicate all stereochemistry, and you must write racemic if appropriate.



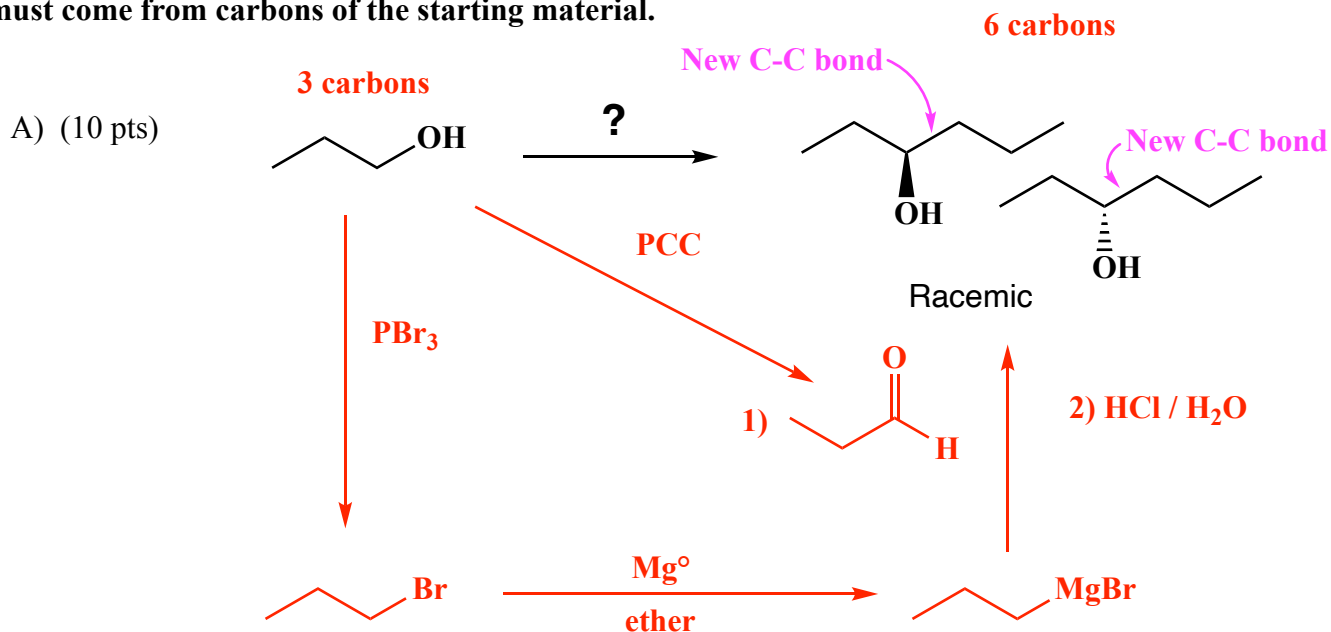
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14. (12 pts) Here is a second warm-up for the synthesis problems. For the following series of reactions, we have given you the final product. Work backwards and **in the box provided write the structure of the starting material that would generate the final product shown.**



15. These are synthesis questions. You need to show how the starting material can be converted into the product(s) shown. You may use any reactions we have learned provided that the product(s) you draw for each step is/are the predominant one(s). Show all the reagents you need. Show each molecule synthesized along the way and be sure to pay attention to the regiochemistry and stereochemistry preferences for each reaction. You must draw all stereoisomers formed, and use wedges and dashes to indicate chirality at each chiral center. Write racemic when appropriate. **All the carbons of the product must come from carbons of the starting material.**



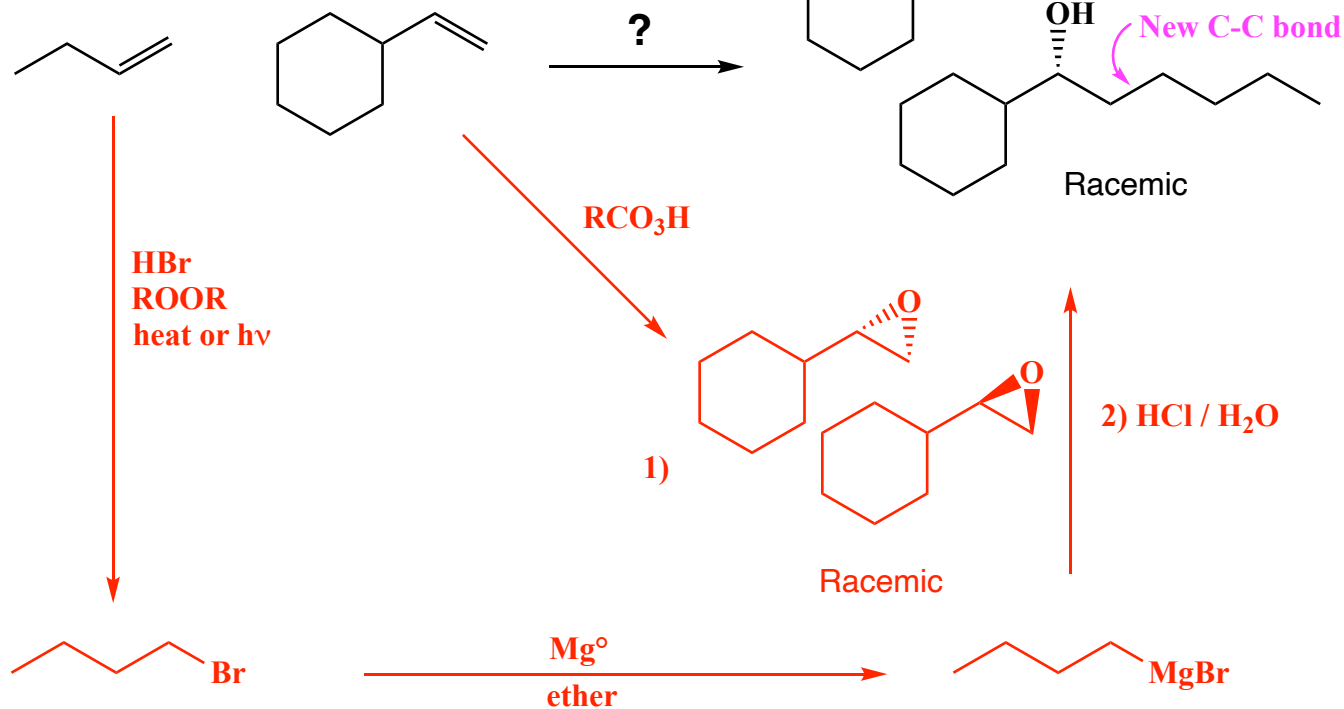
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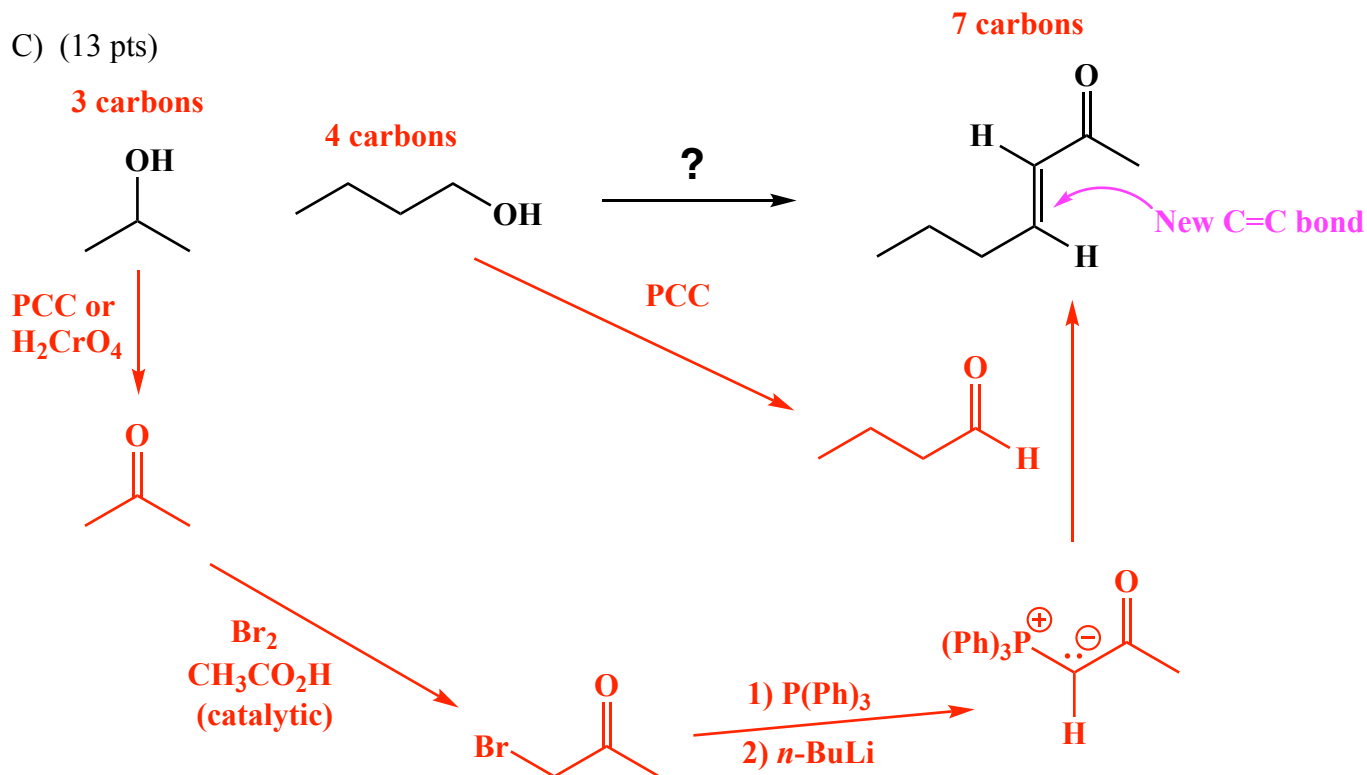
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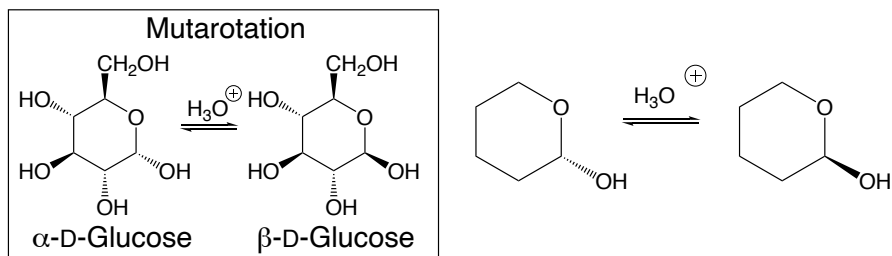


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C) (13 pts)



16. (24 pts) Here is an “Apply What you Know” Problem. You have not seen this directly, but based on what you know you CAN figure it out. We talked about the process called “mutarotation” in which alpha-D-glucose equilibrates with beta-D-glucose. The process emphasizes the reversible nature of acetal and therefore hemiacetal formation. Shown below is mutarotation as well as the analogous cyclic hemiacetal equilibration on the structurally most simple cyclic hemiacetal.



Recall that reversible reaction mechanisms involve the exact same intermediates in both directions, use what you know about hemiacetal formation to fill in the mechanism sheet below to complete the mechanism for how acid can catalyze the equilibration between cyclic hemiacetals.

