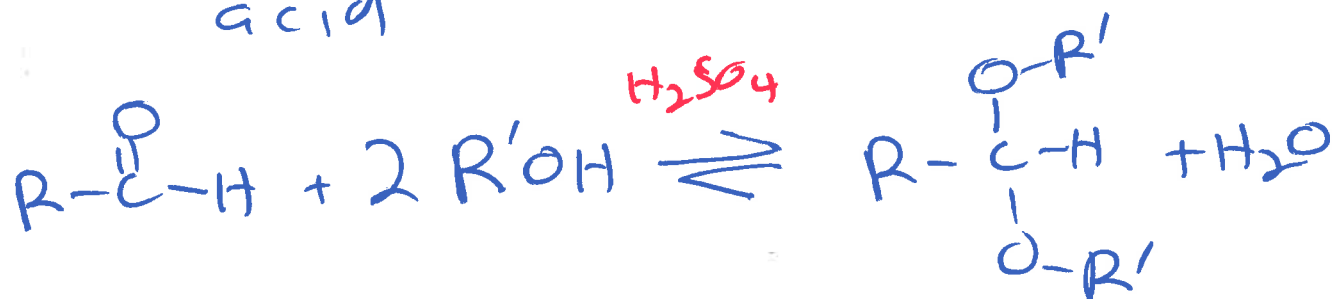


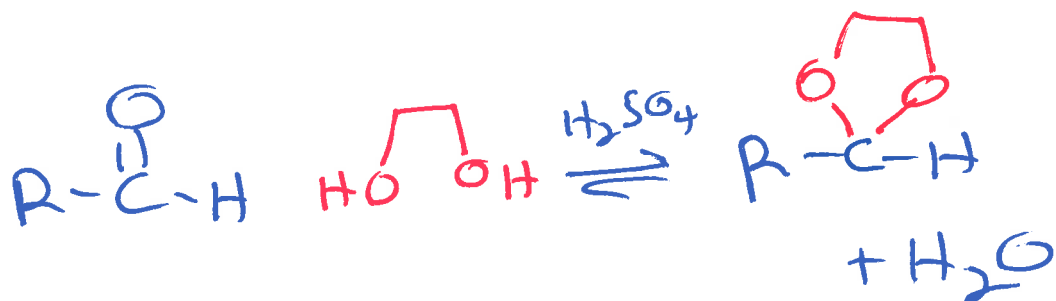
1) This process is reversible
and CATALYZED by
acid



Add more alcohol \rightarrow more acetal
is made

Add more H_2O \rightarrow more aldehyde/
alcohol is formed

2) 5 or 6-membered rings are
stable acetals



Cyclic acetal \rightarrow more stable
than a normal acetal