

EXAMINATION 2
Chemistry 3A

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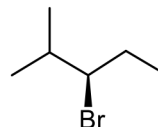
Please write the answer you wish to be graded in the boxed spaces provided.

Do scratch work on the back of the pages. This test should have **13** numbered pages. Check to make sure that you have received a complete exam. A good piece of advice: **Read carefully over the questions (at least twice); make sure that you understand exactly what is being asked; avoid sloppy structures or phrases. It is better to be pedantic in accuracy now than sorry later! Good Luck!**

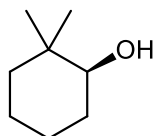
I. [30 Points] Name or draw, as appropriate, the following molecules according to the IUPAC rules. Indicate stereochemistry where necessary (*cis*, *trans*, *R*, *S*, or dashed/wedged lines).

a.

(*S*)-2-Bromo-1-iodo-3-methylbutane

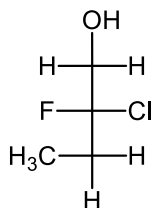


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(*S*)-2,2-Dimethylcyclohexanol

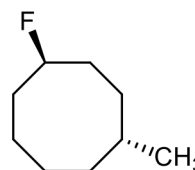
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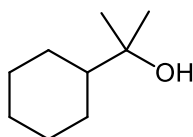
(*R*)-2-Chloro-2-fluoro-1-butanol

d.

(1*R*,4*R*)-1-Fluoro-4-methylcyclooctane



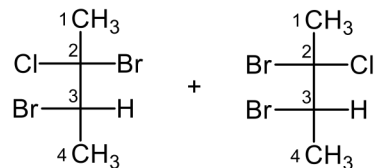
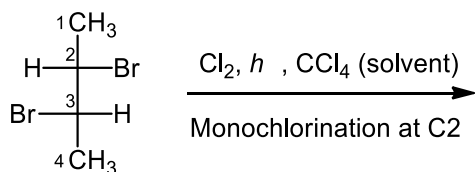
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2-Cyclohexyl-2-propanol

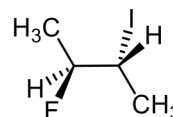
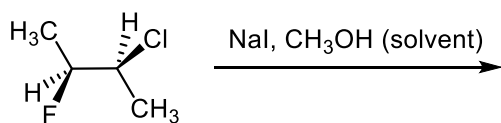
II. [60 Points] Add the missing starting materials, reagents, or products (aqueous work-up is assumed where necessary). Don't forget **stereochemistry**! Complete the stencils, when provided.

a.

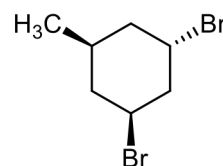
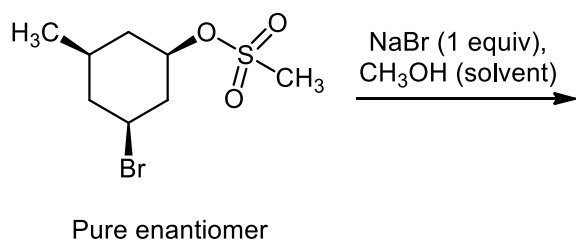


Hint: One or more products?

b.



c.



For the following questions, circle your choice of an answer:

Is the product chiral?

Yes

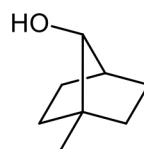
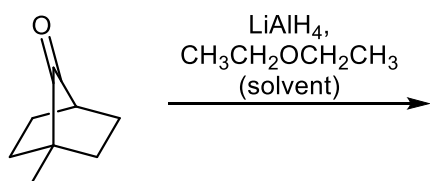
No

Is the product optically active?

Yes

No

d.



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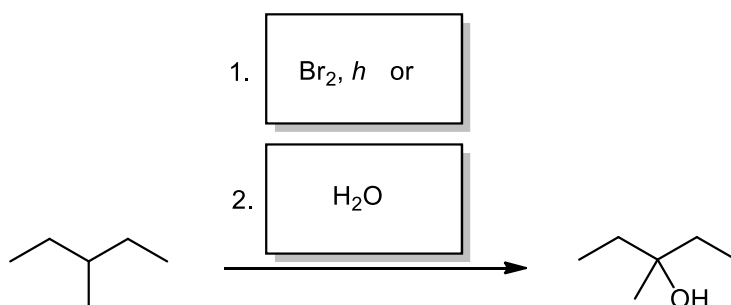
Is the product chiral?

Yes No

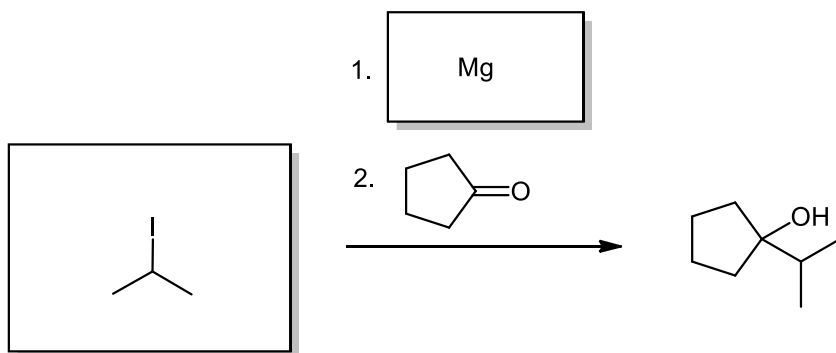
Is the product optically active?

Yes No

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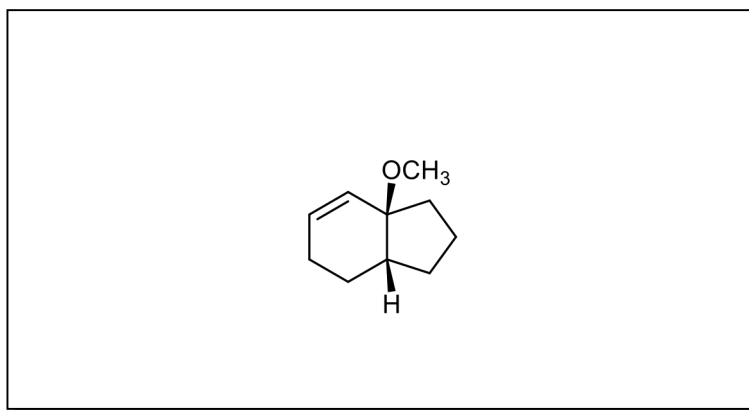
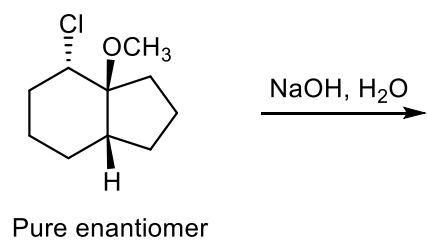


f.



An iodoalkane

g.



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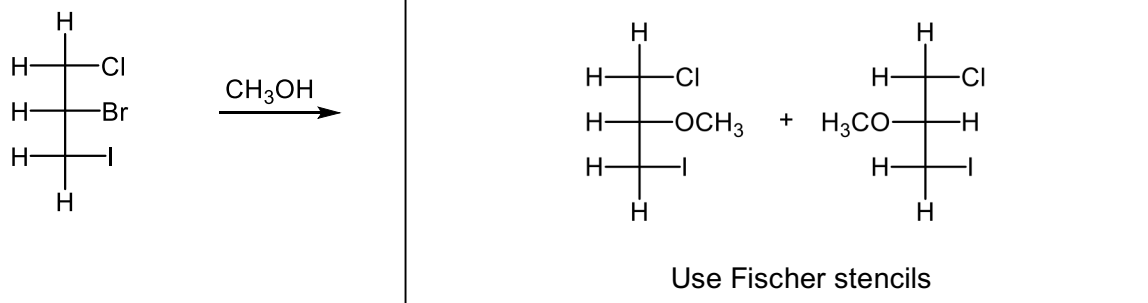
Is the product optically active?

Yes

No

III. [50 Points] The following reactions proceed (predominantly) by S_N2 , S_N1 , E2, or E1 pathways, respectively. Give the major product(s) in each case and answer the questions by **circling** the most applicable statement.

a.

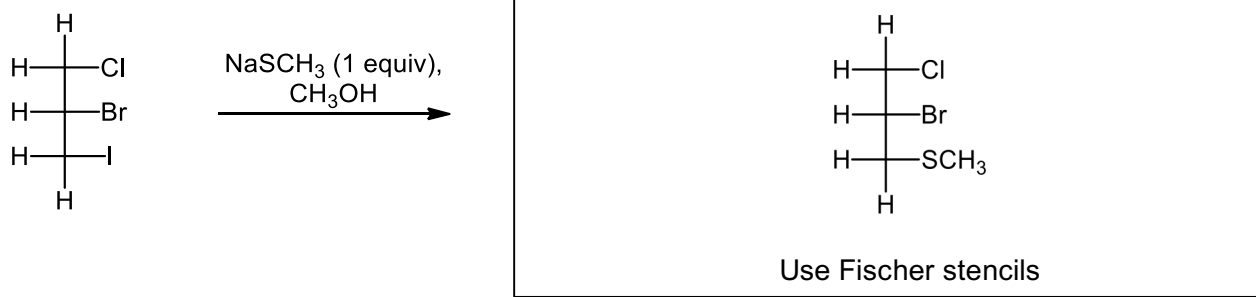


Mechanism: S_N2 **S_N1** E2 E1

At lower temperatures, which one of the following ratios will increase:

S_N2 / S_N1 **$S_N1 / E1$** E2 / E1 $S_N2 / E2$

b.

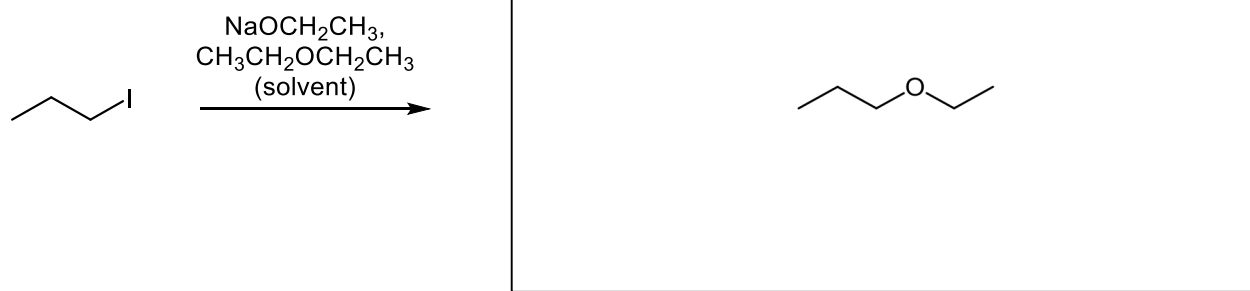


Mechanism: **S_N2** S_N1 E2 E1

When using $NaOCH_3$ instead of $NaSCH_3$, which one of the following ratios will increase:

S_N2 / S_N1 $S_N1 / E1$ E1 / E2 **$E2 / S_N2$**

c.



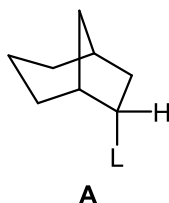
Mechanism:

 S_N2 S_N1 E2 E1

When using $\text{NaOC}(\text{CH}_3)_3$ instead of $\text{NaOCH}_2\text{CH}_3$, one of the following ratios will increase:

 S_N2 / S_N1 $S_N1 / E1$ E1 / E2 E2 / S_N2

d. Consider the reaction of **A** with a negatively charged nucleophile/base in methanol.



Circle your answer –“yes” or “no”– to the following statements:

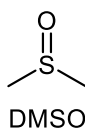
The rate of E1 will increase along the series $L = \text{F}, \text{Cl}, \text{Br}, \text{I}$.

 Yes No

The rate of S_N2 will increase with temperature.

 Yes No

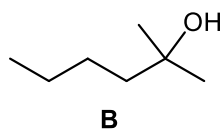
The rate of S_N2 will increase when switching the solvent to DMSO.

 Yes No

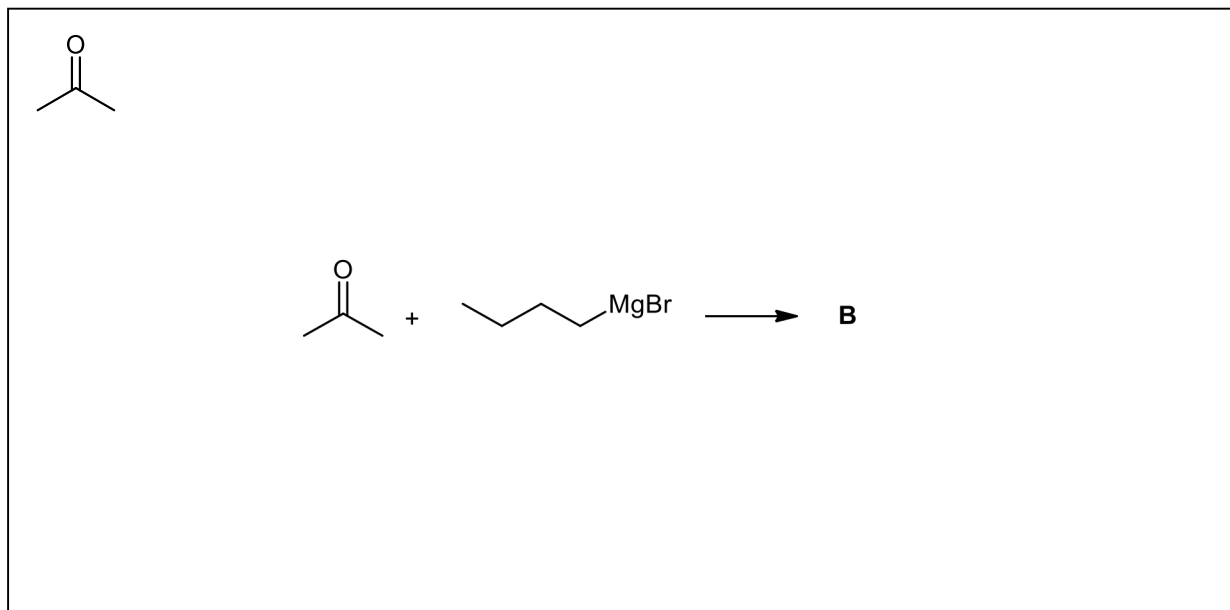
The rate of E2 will increase along the series $L = \text{F}, \text{Cl}, \text{Br}, \text{I}$.

 Yes No

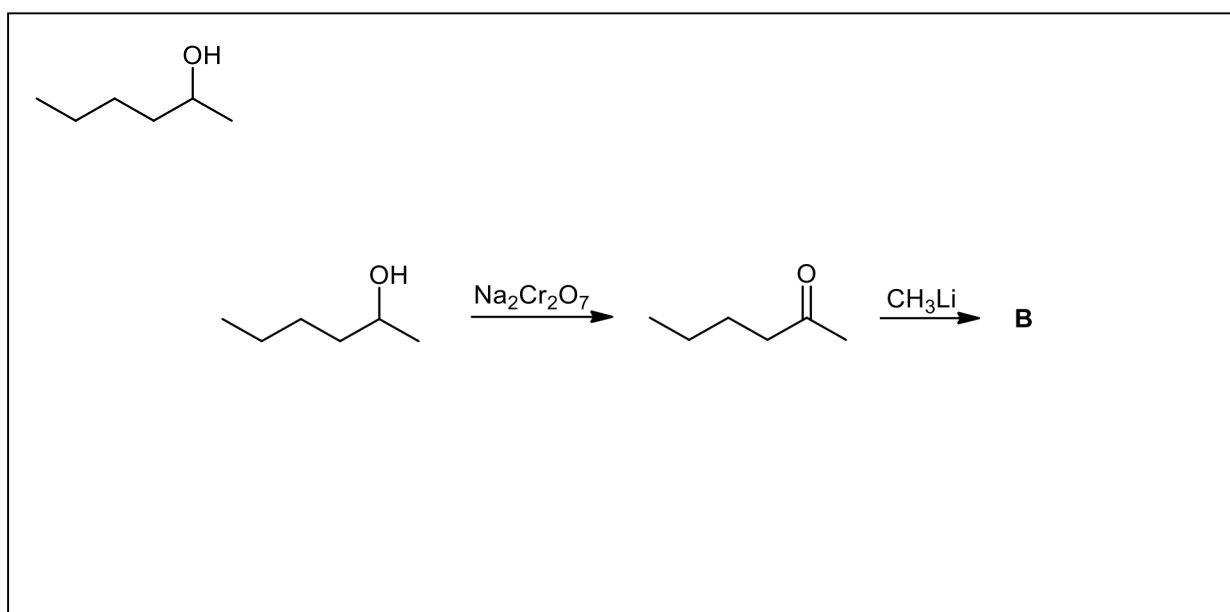
IV. [40 Points] Suggest four different syntheses of 2-methyl-2-hexanol **B**. Each scheme should start with the compound given in the respective box. In addition, you can use any other reagents. You do not need to include aqueous work-up steps.

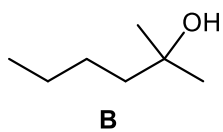


a.

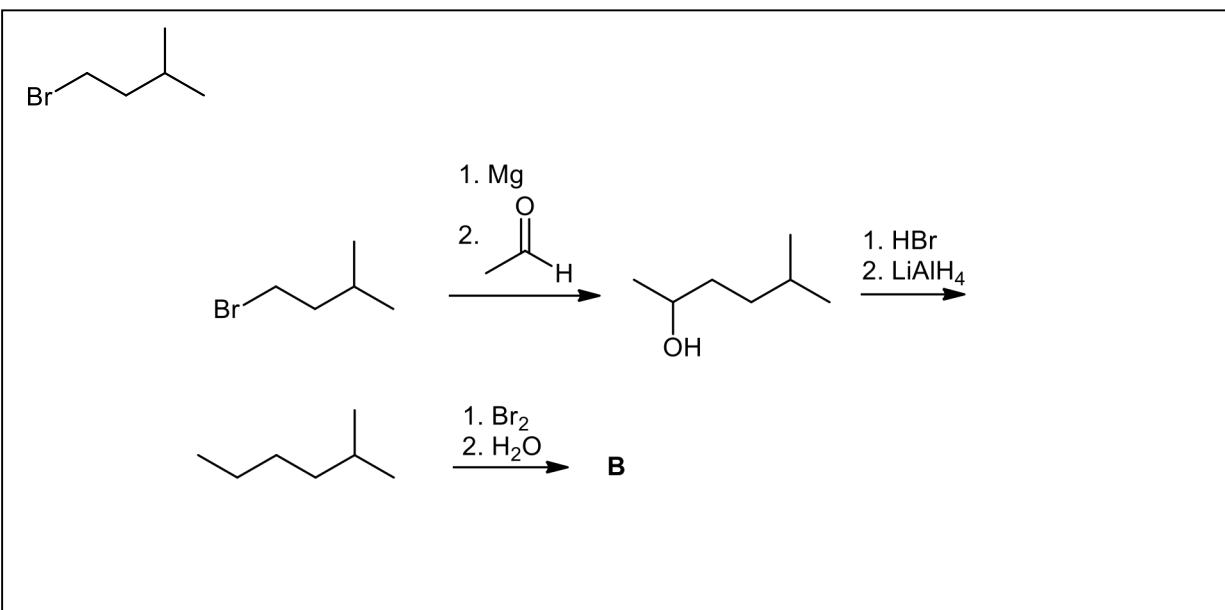


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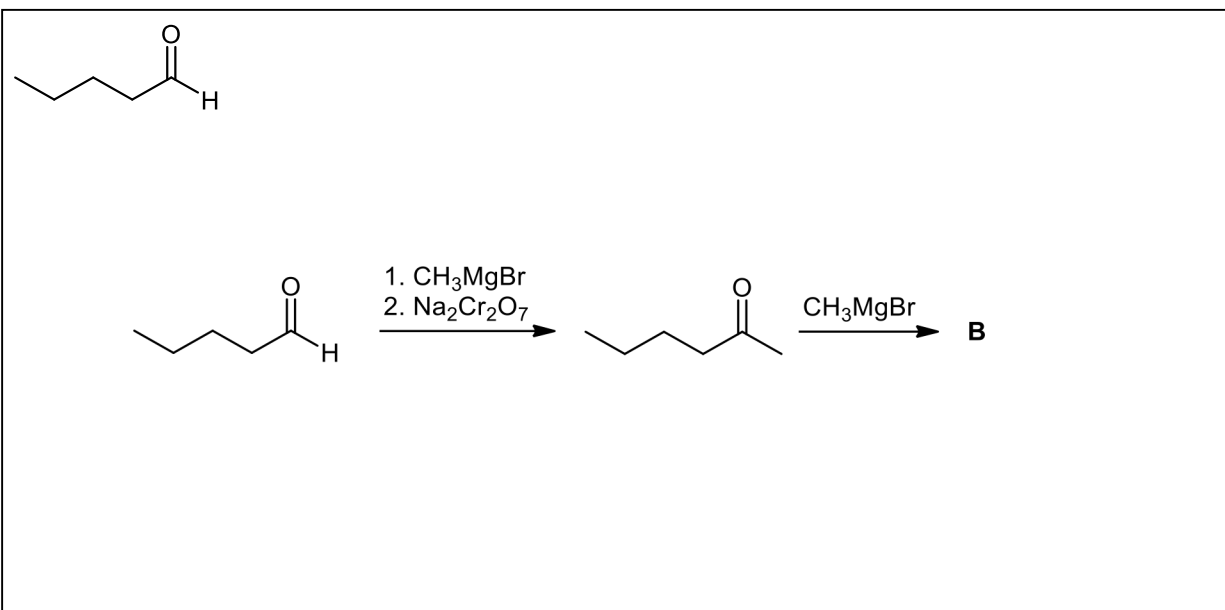




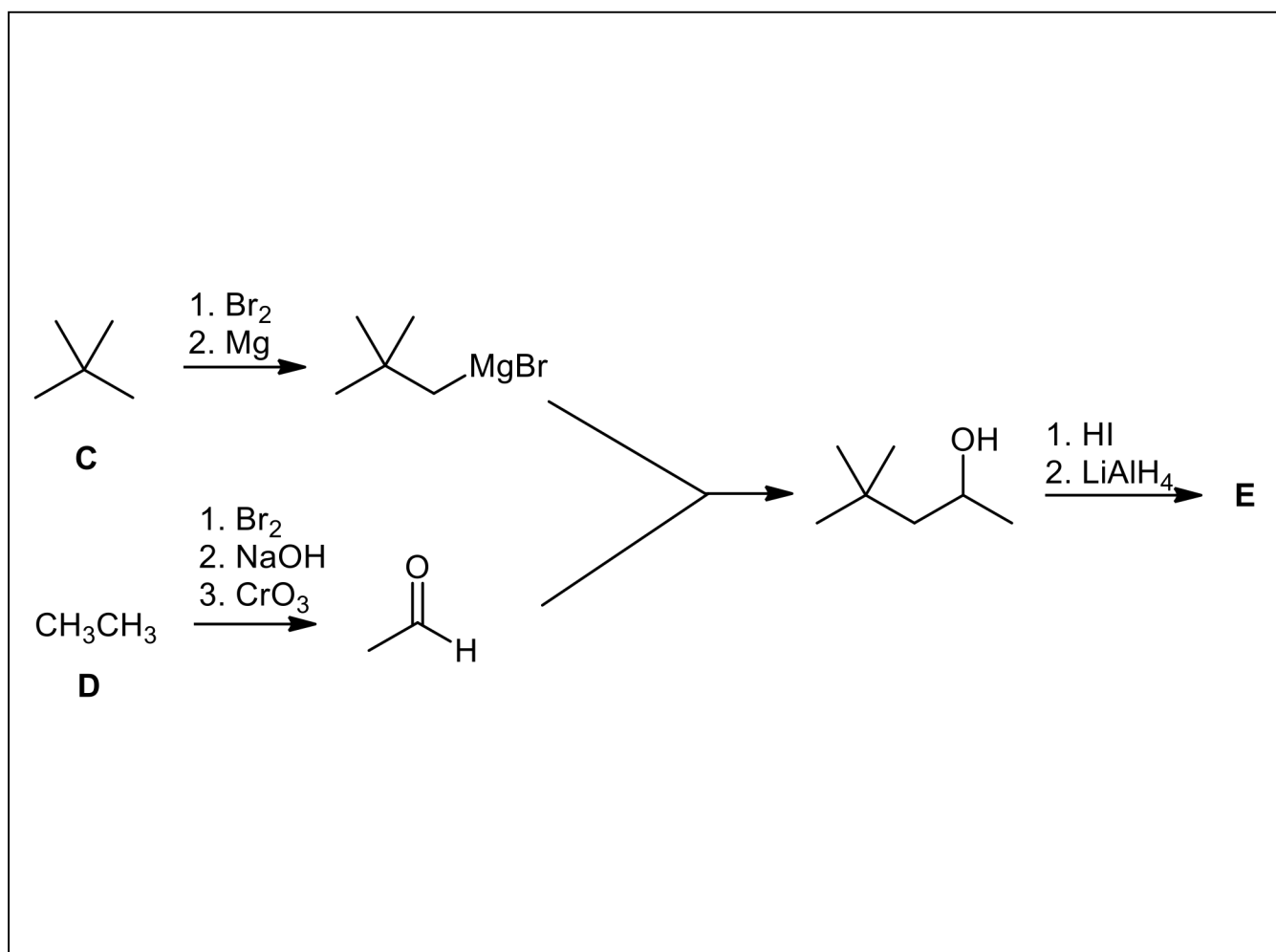
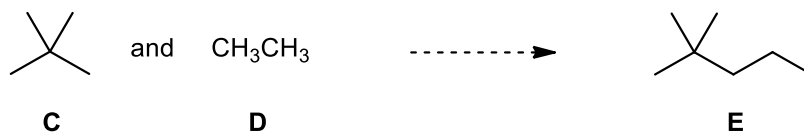
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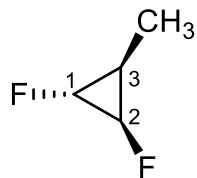
d.



V. [30 Points] Outline a synthetic sequence that leads to hydrocarbon **E** using **C** and **D** as the sources of the carbon atoms in the product. **Hint:** work backwards (retrosynthetically), on the back of the preceding page.

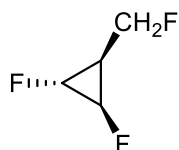


VI. [20 Points] Give all possible products of the **monofluorination** (with F_2 ; remember: nonselective) of the enantiomer of 1,2-difluoro-3-methylcyclopropane shown below. You will lose points if you depict redundant structures. Complete the stencils provided (**including H atoms**). **Caution:** *There may be more stencils drawn than you will need.* To avoid ambiguity, do not use any extra stencils for practice, but do so on the back of the preceding page.

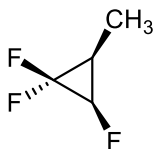


(1*R*,2*R*)-1,2-Difluoro-3-methylcyclopropane

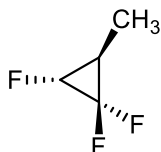
Reaction at CH_3



Reaction at C1



Reaction at C2



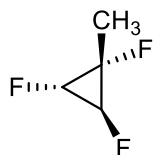
Circle your answer to the following question. Are the products of reaction at C1 and C2:

Identical

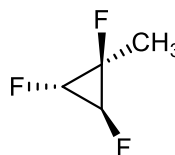
Enantiomers

Diastereomers ?

Reaction at C3

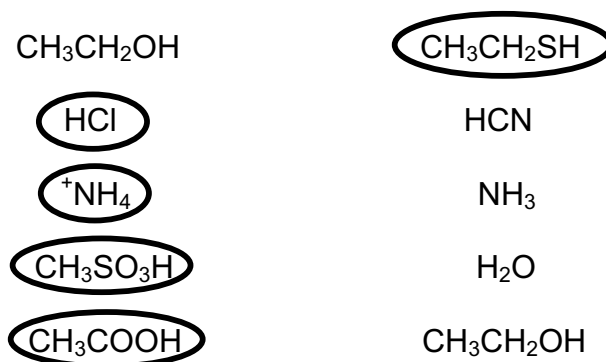


Note: This is identical to



VI. [20 Points]

a. In each pair of acids shown below, circle the stronger one (in H₂O).



b. Place an **X mark** in the box preceding the most accurate statement. Only one answer is allowed.

The basicity of the anions CH₃⁻, NH₂⁻, OH⁻, and F⁻ decreases from left to right in the periodic table, because

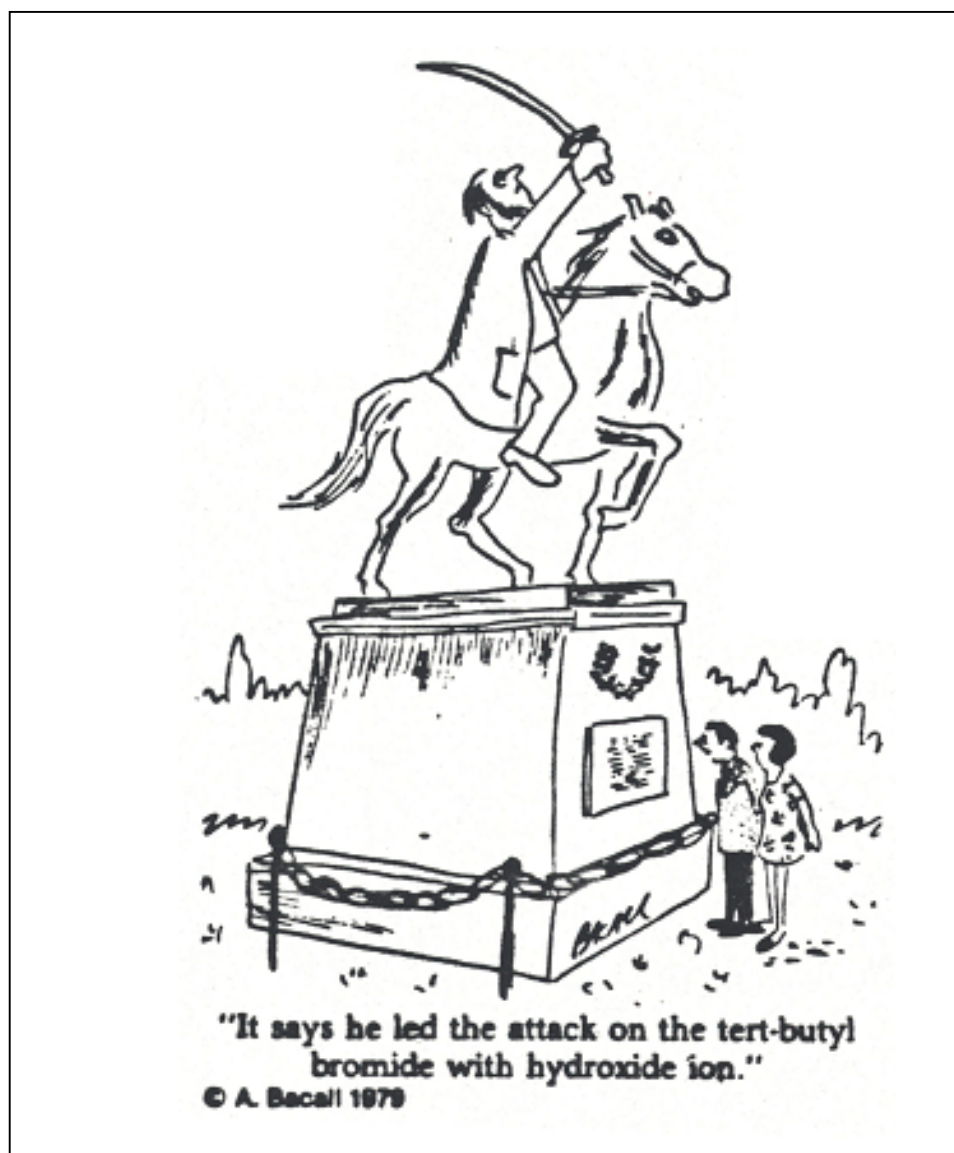
- the atoms that are being protonated get heavier
- the atoms that are being protonated get more electronegative
- the atoms that are being protonated become more polarized
- solvation is impeded by protic solvents

A compound with two asymmetric carbon centers bearing the same substituents (such as 2,3-dibromobutane) can exist as

- 4 diastereomers
- 8 stereoisomers
- Two enantiomers and an achiral meso diastereomer
- Only the *R,R*- and *S,S*-stereoisomers

Nucleophilicity of anions in CH_3OH increases from top to bottom in a column of the periodic table, because

- they become increasingly less solvated
- their polarizability decreases
- they are increasingly sterically hindered
- their basicity increases



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