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EXAMINATION 2
Chemistry 3A

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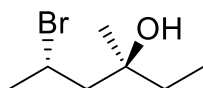
This test should have **13** numbered pages. A good piece of advice: **Read carefully over the questions (at least twice); make sure that you understand exactly what is being asked; avoid sloppy entries. Good Luck!**

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

- I. [30 Points] Name the following molecules, complete the drawing, or choose one given answer (as appropriate) according to the IUPAC rules.

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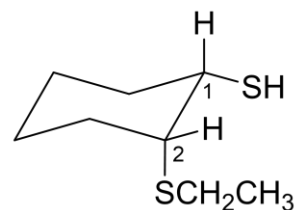


This enantiomer

(3*S*,5*S*)-5-Bromo-3-methylhexan-3-ol or
(3*S*,5*S*)-5-Bromo-3-methyl-3-hexanol

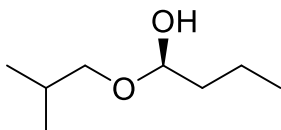
b.

(1*S*,2*R*)-2-(Ethylthio)cyclohexane-1-thiol



Place the missing substituents at the end of the dangling bonds

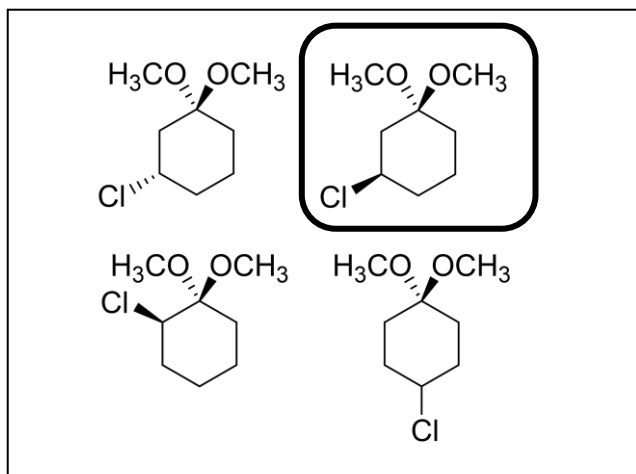
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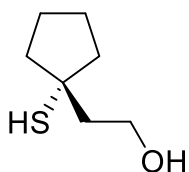
This enantiomer

(*R*)-1-(2-Methylpropoxy)butan-1-ol or
(*R*)-1-(2-Methylpropoxy)-1-butanol

d.

(R)-3-Chloro-1,1-dimethoxycyclohexane

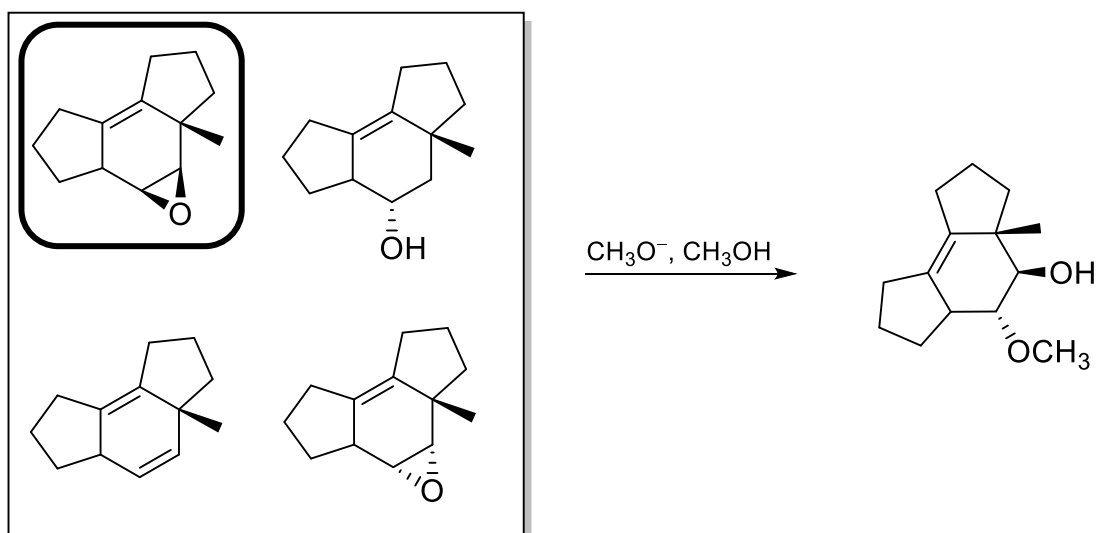
e.



2-(1-Mercaptocyclopentyl)ethan-1-ol or
2-(1-Mercaptocyclopentyl)-1-ethanol

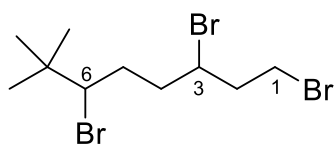
- II. [80 Points] Add or identify the missing starting materials, reagents, or products (aqueous work-up is assumed where necessary). **Caution:** Do not forget to consider **stereochemistry!**

a.



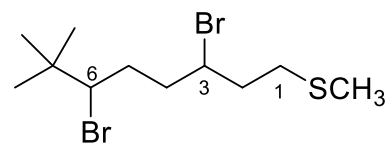
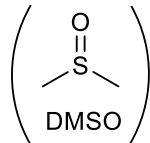
“Rectangle” your answer

b.



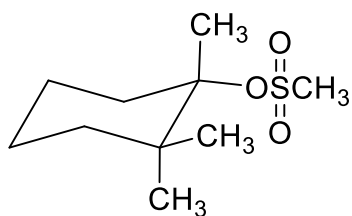
No stereochemistry

NaSCH₃ (1 equivalent),
DMSO (solvent)

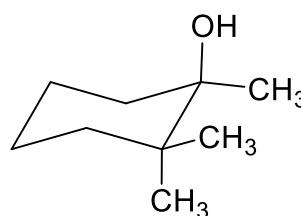
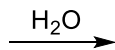


Place the missing substituents at the end of the dangling bonds of C1, C3, and C6

c.



This enantiomer



Draw the *more stable* conformer. Place the missing substituents at the end of the dangling bonds.
 ΔG° (equatorial \rightarrow axial): CH₃, 1.70; OH, 0.94 kcal mol⁻¹.

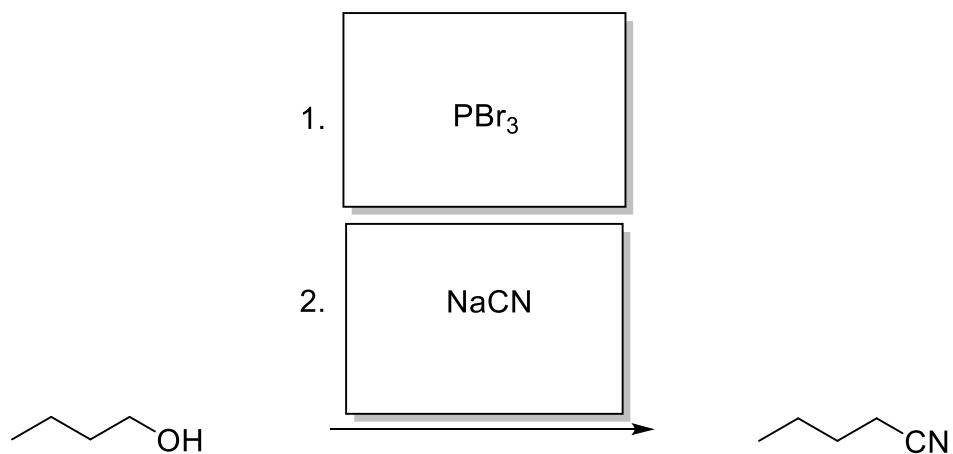
“Oval” your choice of an answer: Is the product optically active? Yes

Yes

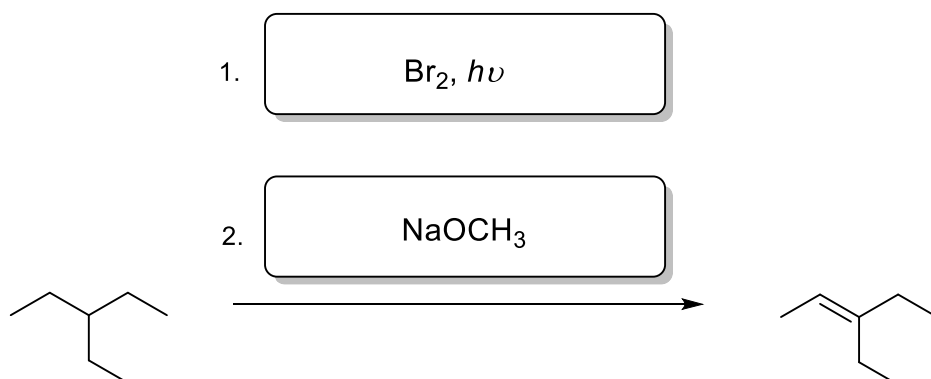
No

For the following d.–h., type your answers in the respective boxes using the “Text” tool. Ignore super- and subscripts, if applicable [as in, for example, tert-butyl cation = (CH₃)₃C⁺]. For *hν* use *hv*.

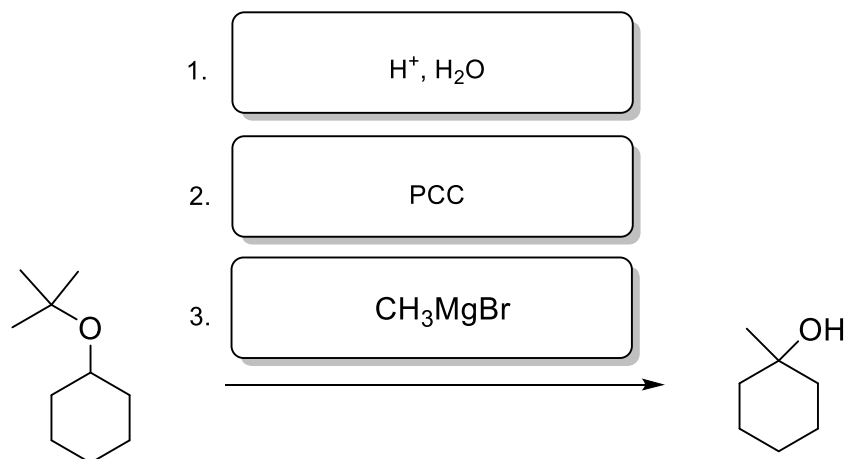
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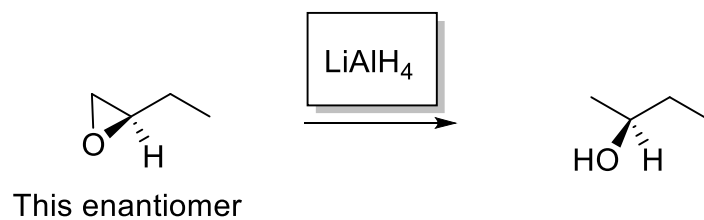
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f.



g.

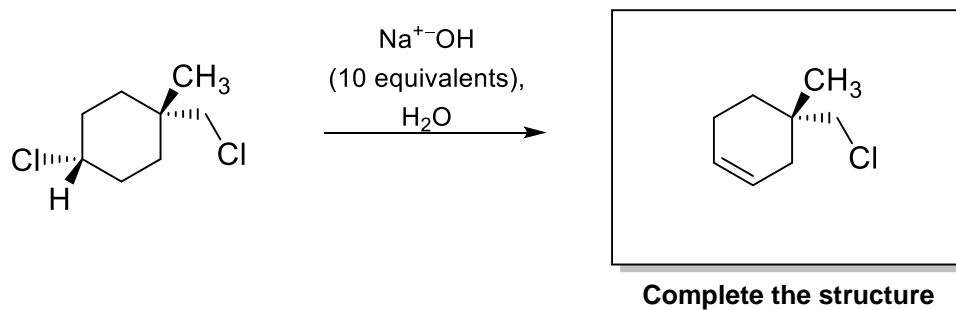


“Oval” your choice of an answer:

Is the product chiral? Yes No

Is the product optically active? Yes No

h.



“Oval” your choice of an answer:

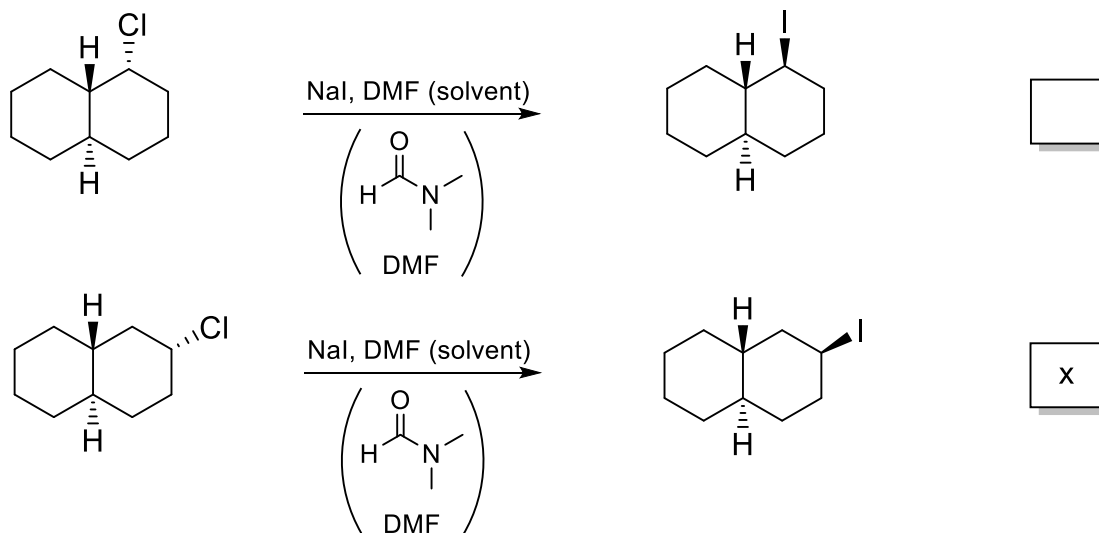
Is the product chiral? Yes No

Is the product optically active? Yes No

III. [40 Points] For each pair of reactions shown below, mark the box on the right with an "X" indicating which will go faster and "rectangle" the mechanism by which it proceeds (e.g. S_N2 , S_N1 , E2, E1). In one sentence, provide a brief explanation for the rate acceleration in each case in the bottom box provided.

a.

1.



2. Mechanism:

S_N2

S_N1

E2

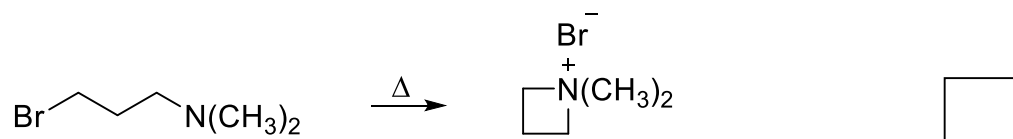
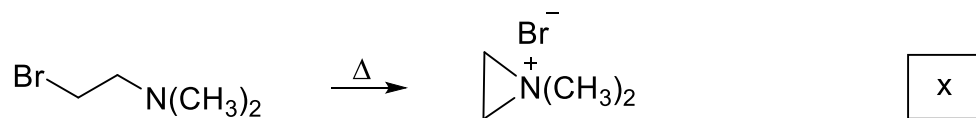
E1

3. Explain your choice of the faster reaction in one sentence.

The second reaction is faster because it encounters less steric hindrance.

b.

1.



2. Mechanism:

S_N1

E2

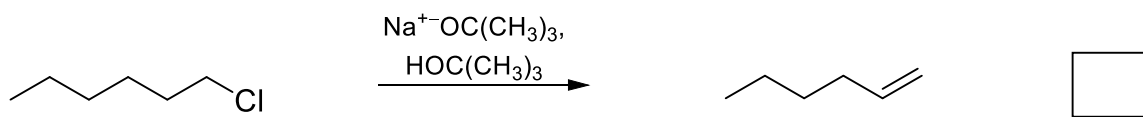
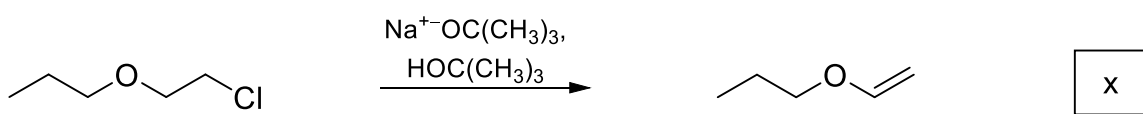
E1

3. Explain your choice of the faster reaction in one sentence.

In intramolecular S_N2 reactions, three-membered rings form faster than four-membered rings.

c.

1.



2. Mechanism:

S_N2S_N1

E2

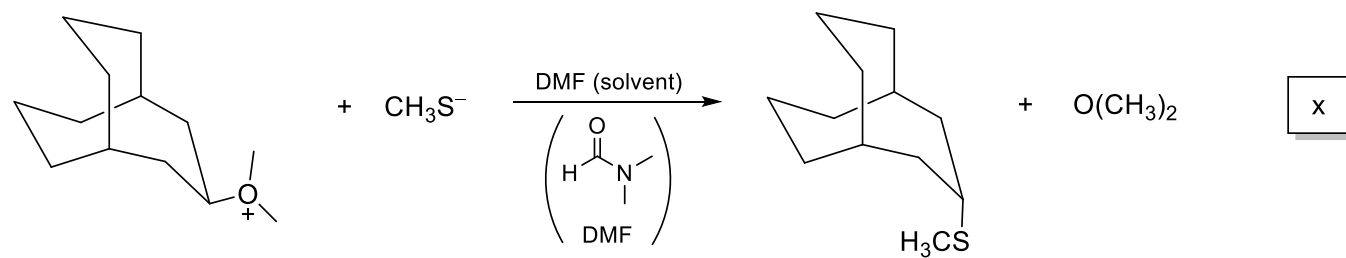
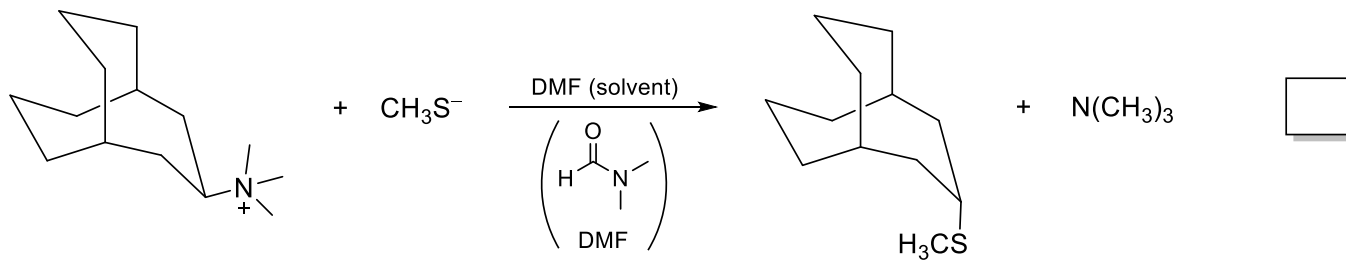
E1

3. Explain your choice of the faster reaction in one sentence.

The larger electronegativity of O relative to that of C makes the hydrogens next to O more acidic.

d.

1.



2. Mechanism:



SN1

E2

E1

3. Explain your choice of the faster reaction in one sentence.

(CH₃)₂O is a better leaving group because O is more electronegative than N.

IV. [20 Points]

a. Place an **X mark** ("Text" tool) in the box preceding a true statement. There will be several such statements. Leave blank those that you deem untrue. Note: An incorrect X mark will count against your total score, but the minimum is zero (i.e., no negative points).

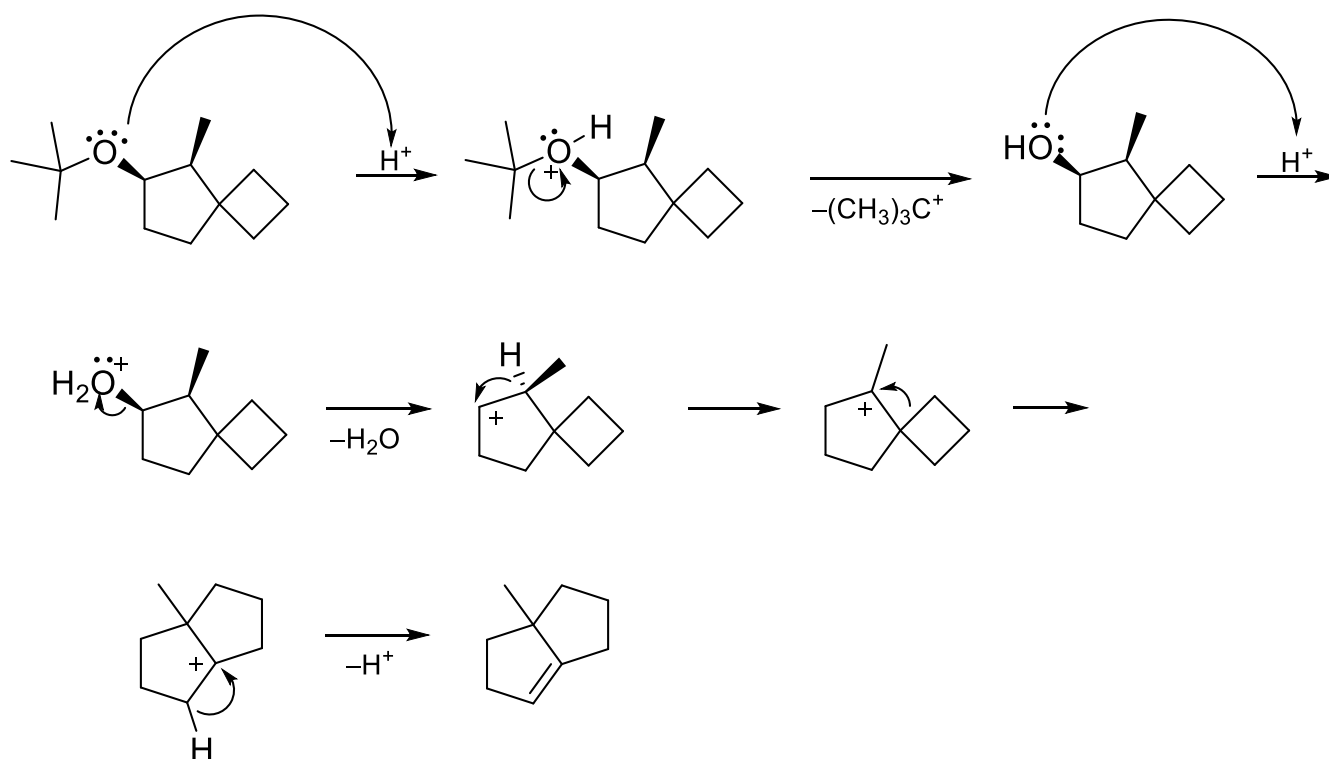
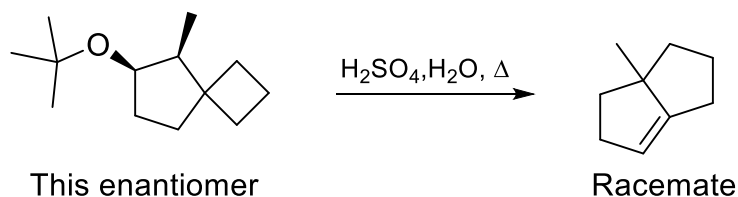
- Along the cation series—primary to secondary to tertiary—hyperconjugation decreases.
- Transferring an electron from a 1s orbital to a 2s orbital costs energy.
- A compound with two stereocenters bearing the same substituents on each center is always meso.
- $\text{CH}_3\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}\text{C}\text{O}^-$ is a better leaving group than CH_3O^- because it is larger.
- If the rate of the reaction $\text{A} + \text{B} \rightarrow \text{C} + \text{D}$ is proportional to only the concentration of A, it is called unimolecular.
- If the reaction of two achiral starting materials leads to a chiral product, the product will be optically active.
- The ability of an attached atom and its substituents to leave a carbon chain decreases from left to right across a row of the periodic table.
- An axial substituent in the cyclohexane chair suffers from transannular strain.
- The E2 reaction speeds up with better leaving groups.
- Secondary chloroalkanes may undergo all four modes of reaction: $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$, E2, $\text{S}_{\text{N}}1$, and E1.

The following four problems should be answered on *four* separate pages of hard copy white paper using a dark (at least #2) pencil. Label these pages "V.a", "V.b", "VI.a", and "VI.b". Ascertain that your drawings are clearly visible. When you are finished, scan the four pages on your device with a suitable scanning app (do not use CamScanner) in the order V.a → VI.b, save the document as a pdf file, and add its contents to this file, using the "Combine Files" feature on AcrobatPro. Make sure to set up the correct order of the two; the combined file should feature your scanned pages at the end. Label the final combined pdf file with your name and the words "3AExam 2" (namely: Last Name, First Name, 3AExam 2) and upload it to Gradescope.

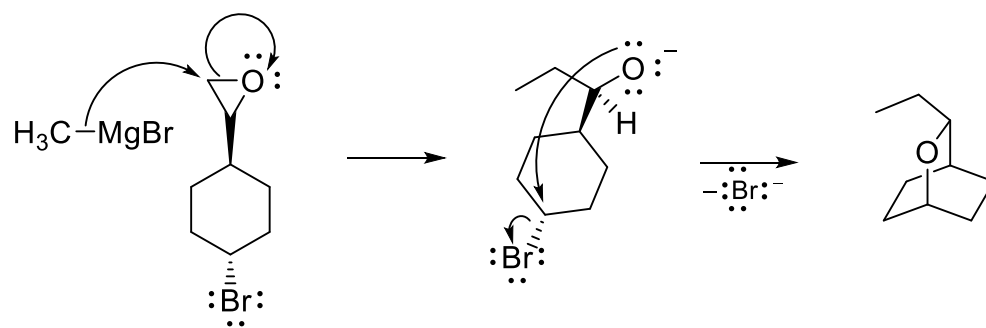
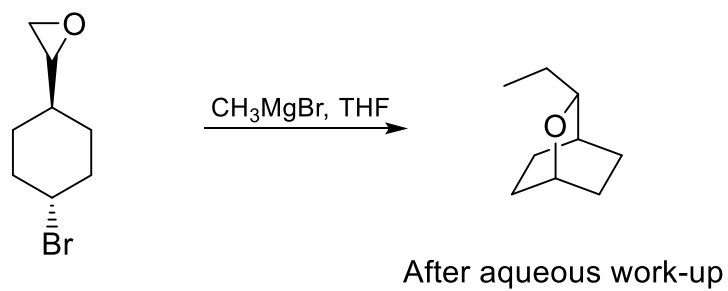
V. [40] Points]

For each of the following reactions, provide a detailed mechanism (i.e., write a scheme with structures, arrow pushing, etc.) Do **not** add any reagents! These are **not** synthesis problems!

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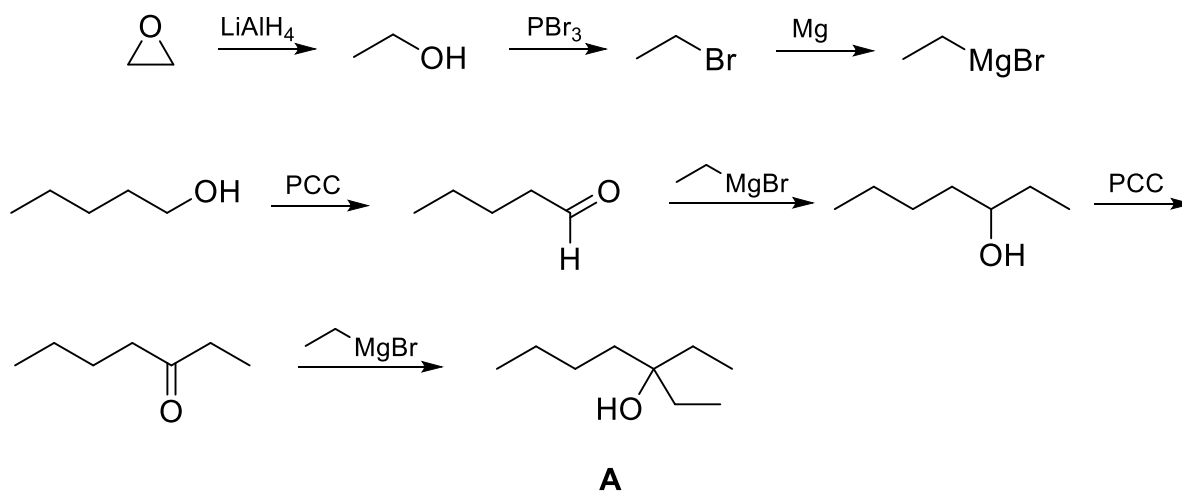
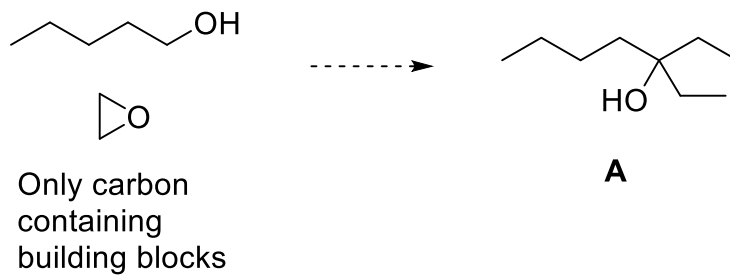


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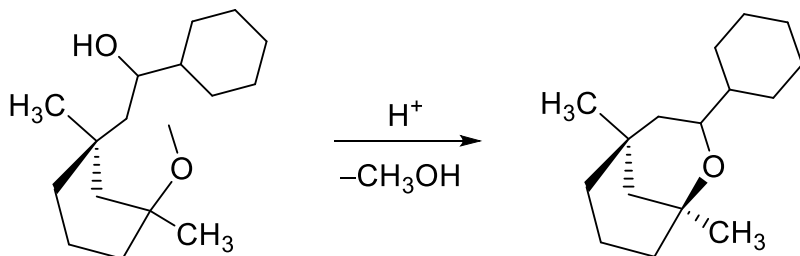
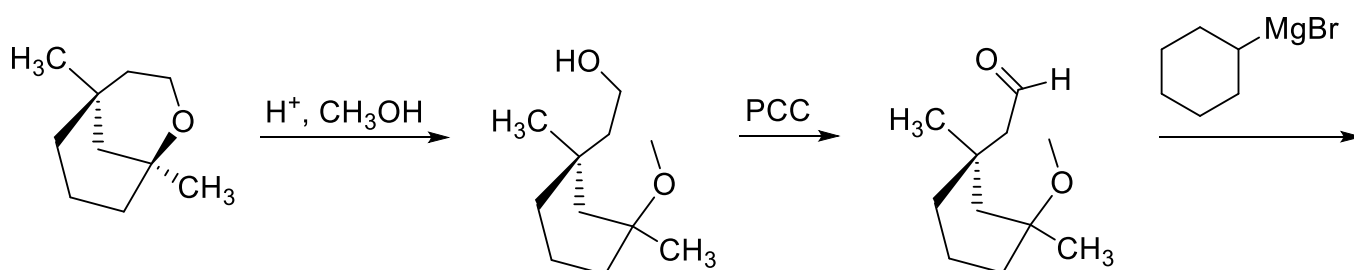
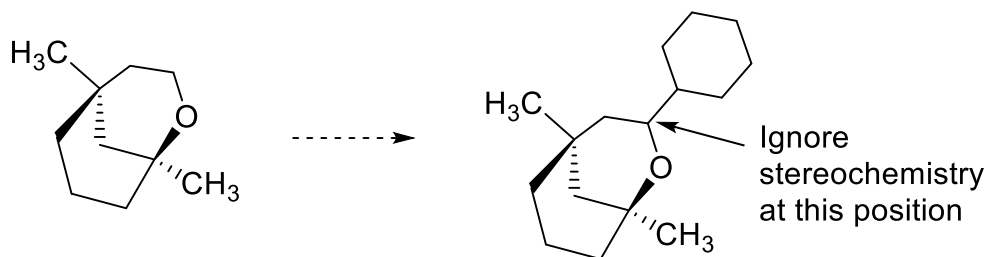


VI. [40 Points]

a. Devise the synthesis of compound **A** below, using only 1-pentanol and oxacyclopropanes as building blocks. It will help you if you execute a retrosynthesis on a separate page (not to be submitted).



b. Provide a viable conversion of the starting material below to the product. You may use any additional compounds and reagents. It will help you if you execute a retrosynthesis on a separate page (not to be submitted).



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