

In this final set of problems, I have tried to include things that will help you on the final exam. These problems have all been adapted from the sophomore organic chemistry course at MIT (though a friend @ Berkeley). I have included sections of problem sets and exams. This being said, the numbering is completely out of order (and doesn't make sense). Also, there are some problems crossed out, as they were not covered in our class.

Finally, regarding ANSWER KEYS, I have not yet decided as to whether or not I will provide an answer key online. Please do NOT e-mail me asking about it. If I am going to post a key, it will be done only within a few days of the exam. As you will, or already have seen there is a plethora of office hours available between the last day of class and the final, we are all willing to go over these problems with you.

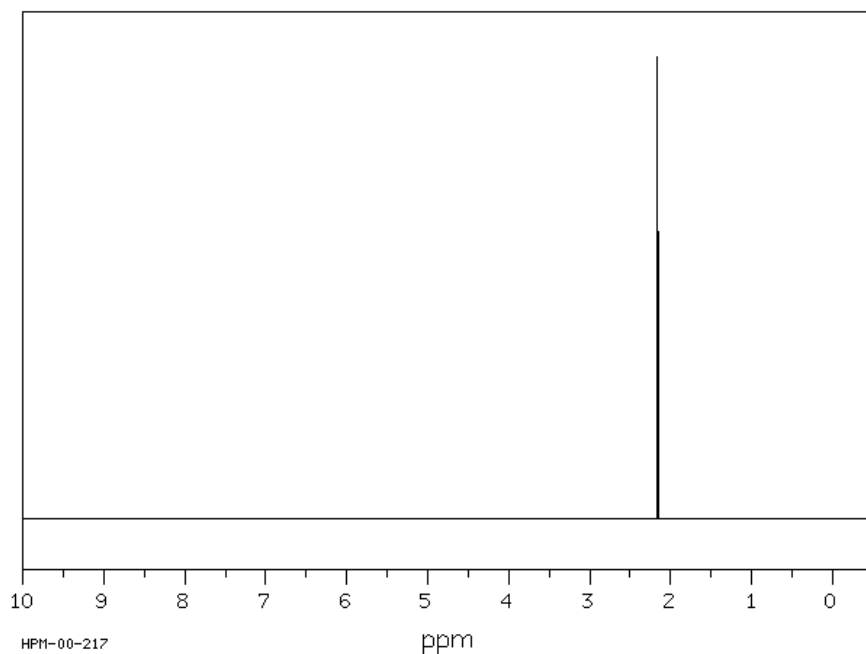
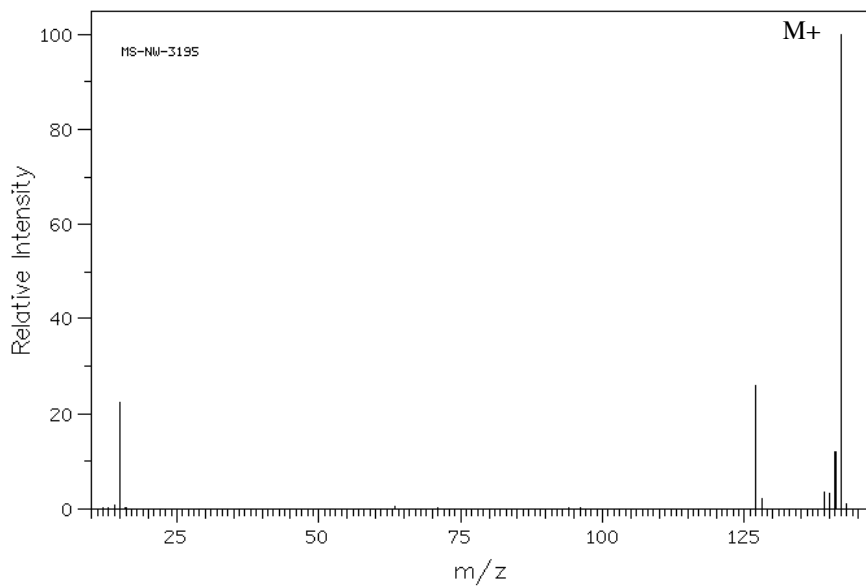
Note for Doug's Section:

During the Week X discussion section, I would like to cover question (1) on page 2 of 10 (it's buried somewhere in there toward the end with the first three questions asking about pKas). Also work on question (2) on page 4 of 10. Again, not really 4 of 10, but that's what it says on the bottom of the page.

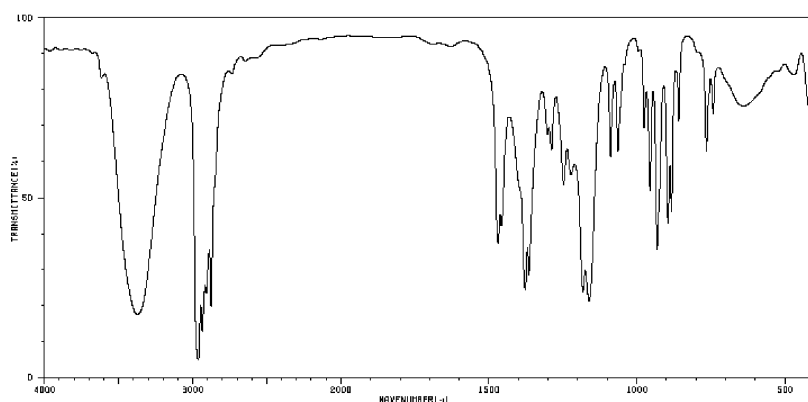
GOOD LUCK ON THE FINAL!

1. Compound **A** is reacted in anhydrous diethylether with Mg to give an intermediate that when reacted with compound **B** produces **C** after aqueous workup. What are **A**, **B**, and **C**. Explain how you arrived at your answer.

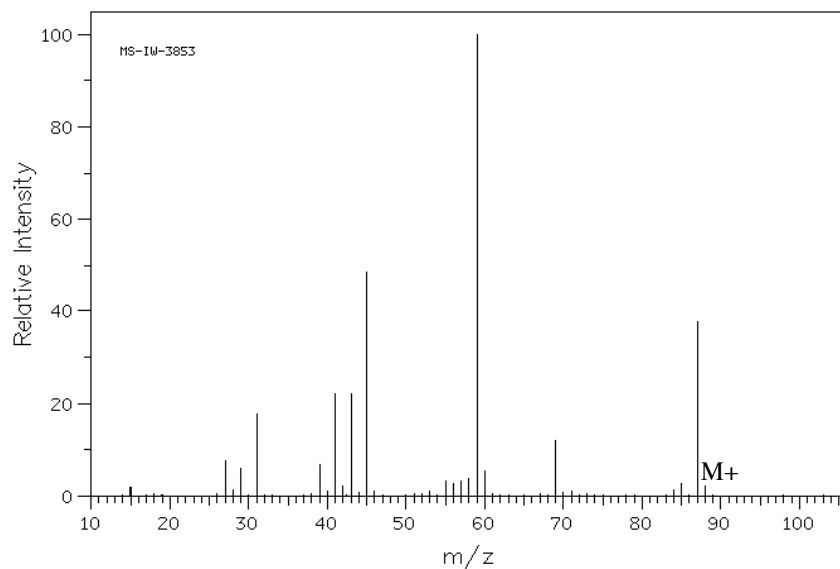
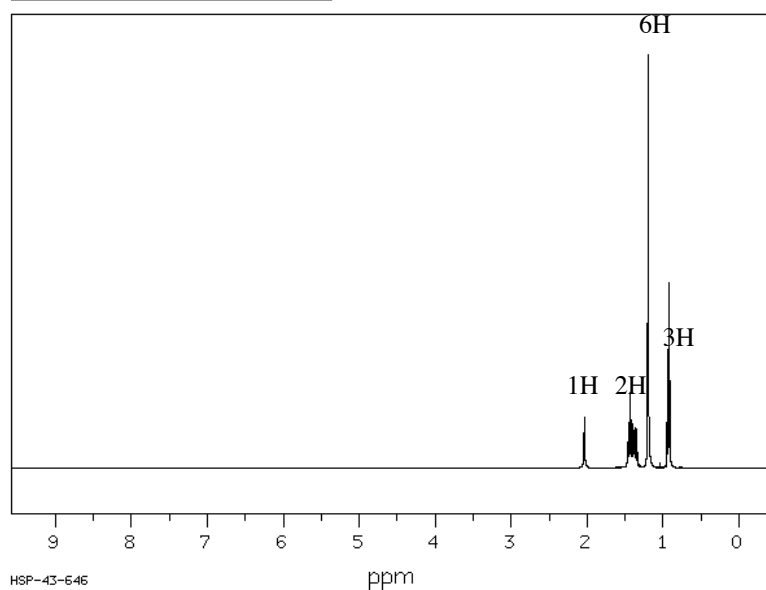
MS and ^1H -NMR of **A**



IR, ^1H -NMR, MS of **C** (Signal at 2.1 ppm disappears upon D_2O treatment)

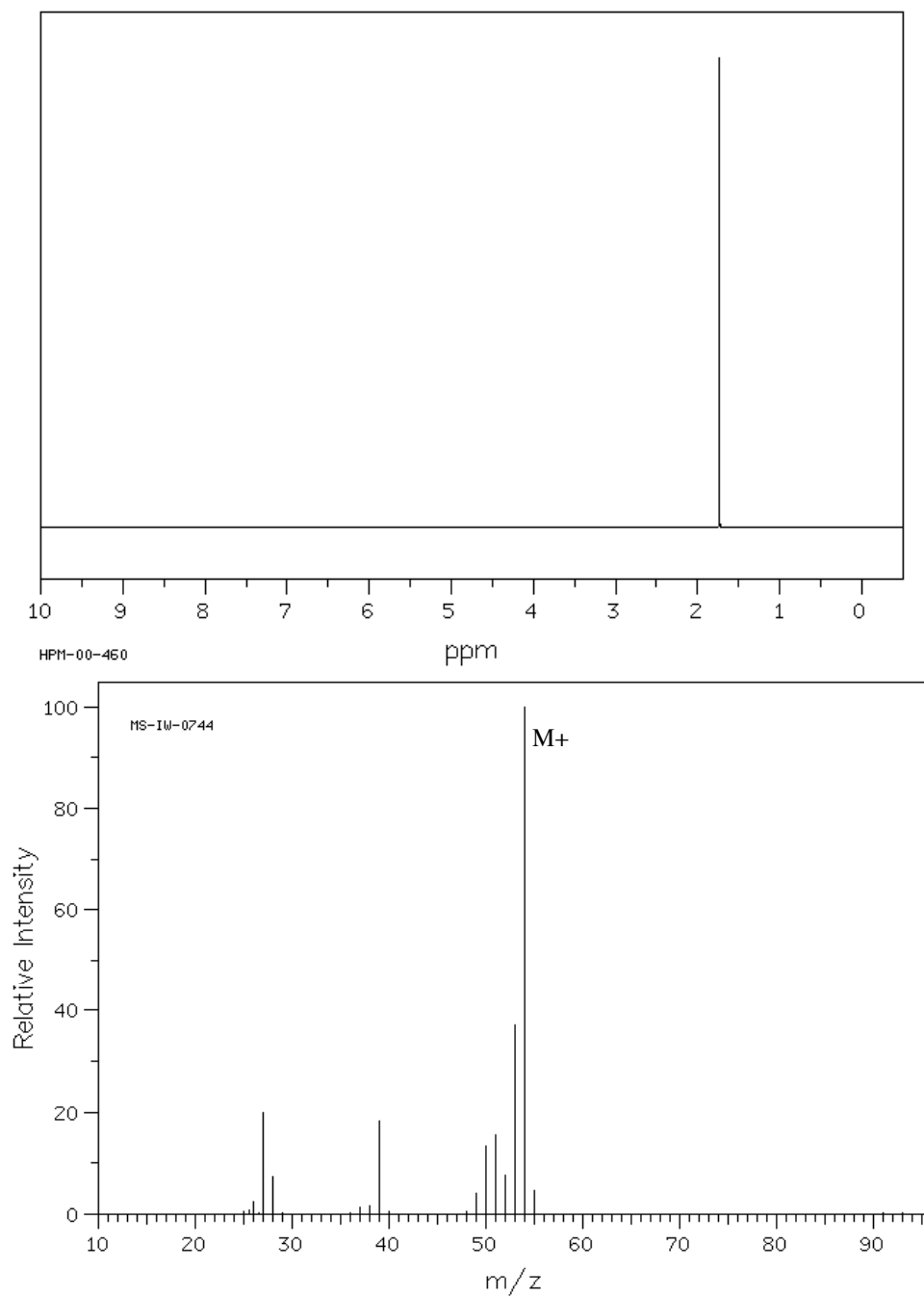


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2936	12	1303	64	1064	60	786	60
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1469	36	1223	53	931	34	636	72

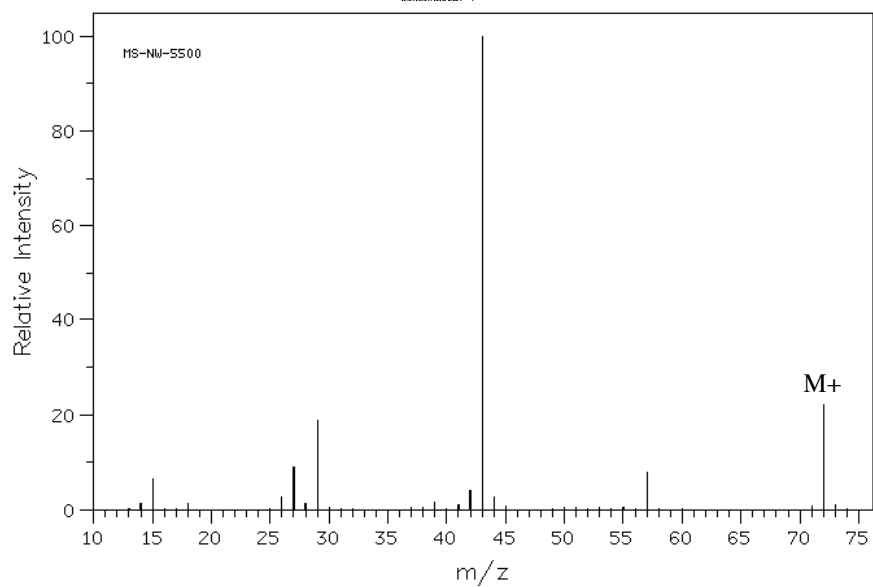
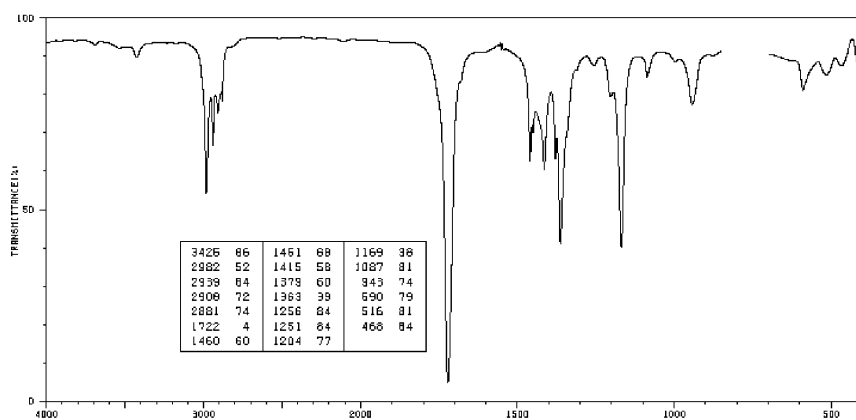
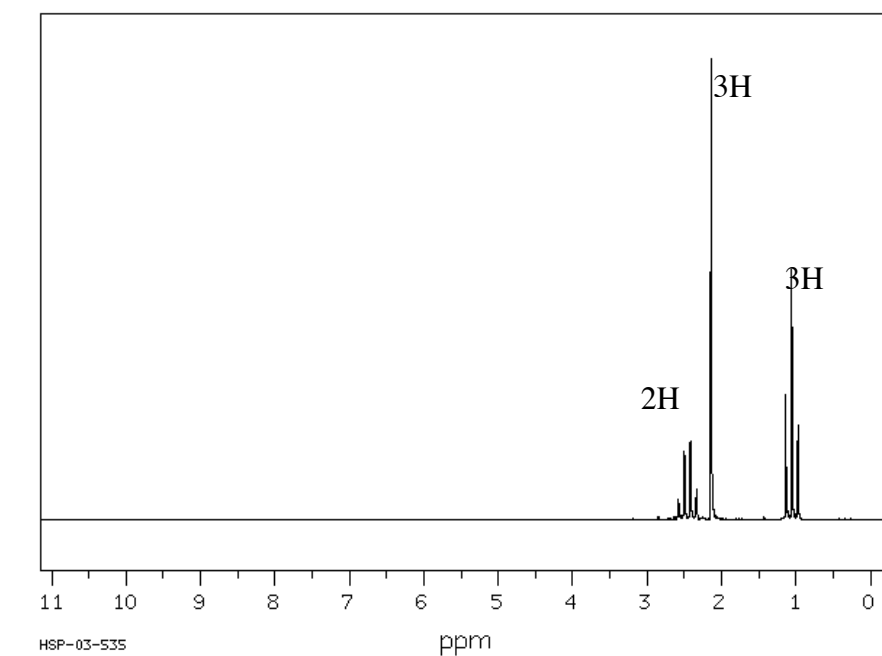


2. Compound **A** when treated with H_2SO_4 (small amount of H_2O) gives compound **B**. Provide the structures of **A** and **B**. Explain how you arrived at your answer.

^1H -NMR and MS of **A**

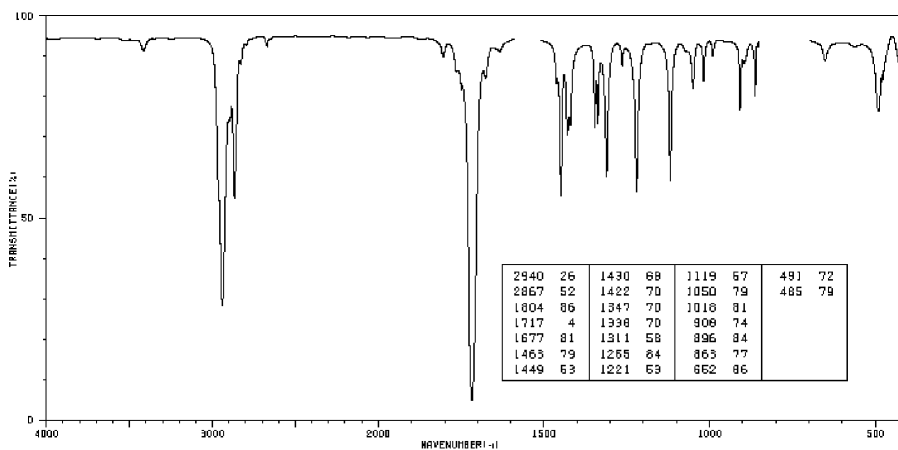
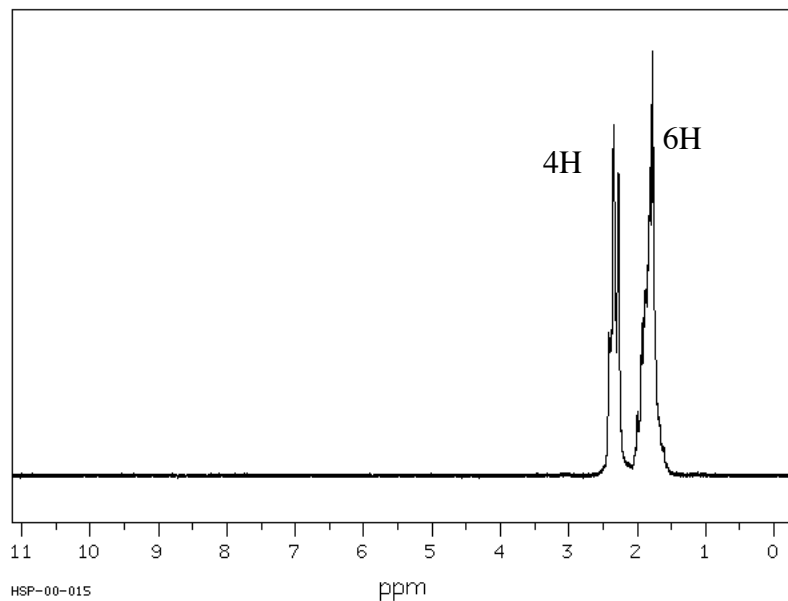


¹H-NMR, IR and MS of **B**

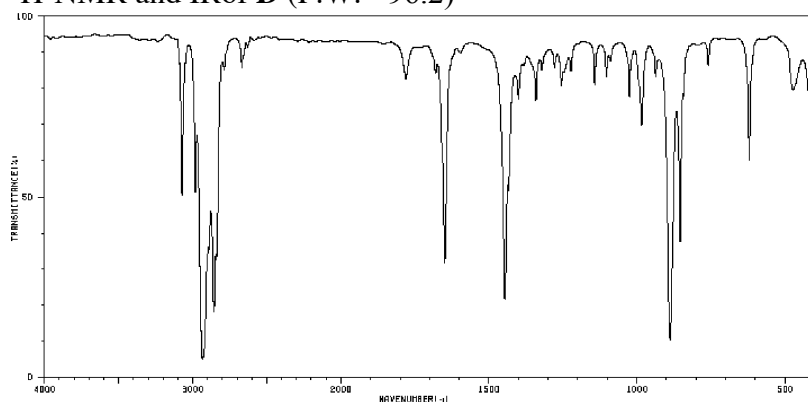


3. Compound **A** (F.W.=94.9, ^1H -NMR singlet at 2.68ppm) is reacted with Triphenylphosphine to give compound **B**. Compound **B** is reacted with n-butyl lithium to give an intermediate that when reacted with compound **C** gives compound **D**. What are the compounds **A**, **B**, **C**, and **D**. Explain how you arrived at your answer.

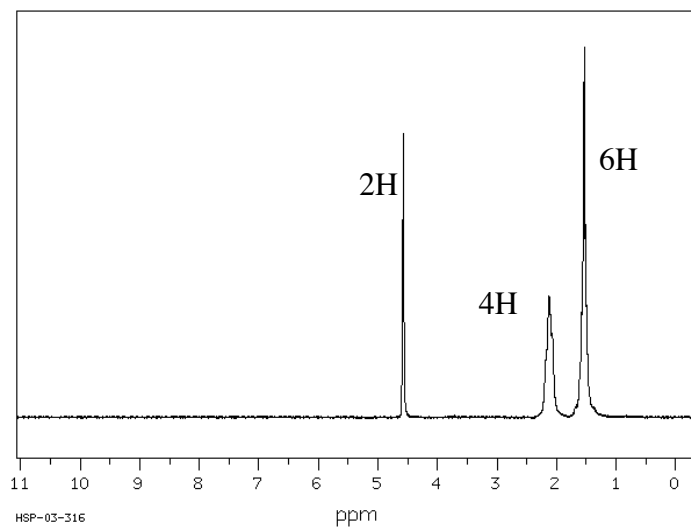
^1H -NMR and IR of Compound **C** (F.W.= 98.1)



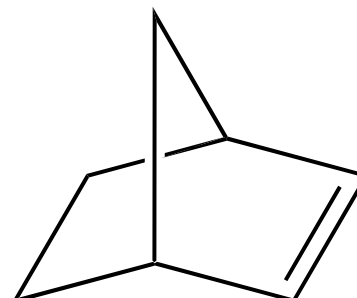
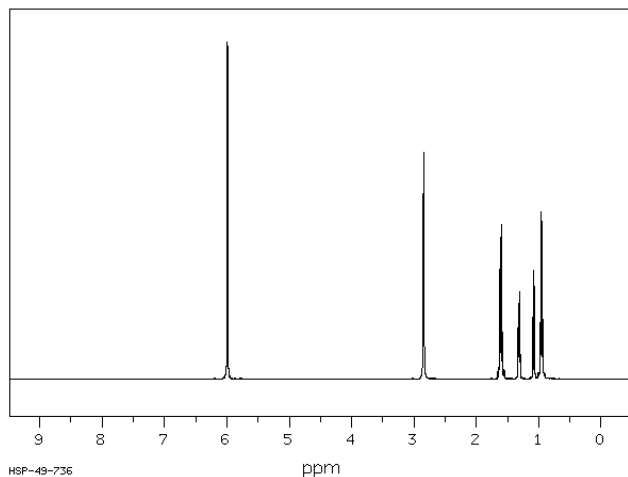
¹H-NMR and IR of **D** (F.W.= 96.2)



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3071	49	2659	81	1400	74	1143	79	854	35
3052	84	1781	78	1341	74	1103	78	758	84
2991	49	1680	81	1322	81	1090	84	621	58
2933	4	1649	50	1279	81	1025	74	472	77
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2839	31	1446	20	1247	81	937	78		

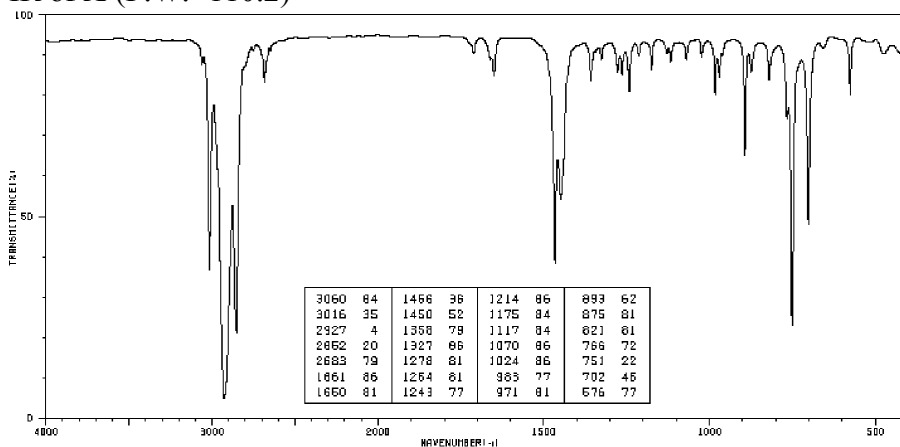


4. The following ¹H-NMR spectrum is of norbornylene. How many types of protons are present and label protons on the chemical structure as being the same or different. Make an educated guess as to which protons correspond to which signals. Explain your answer.

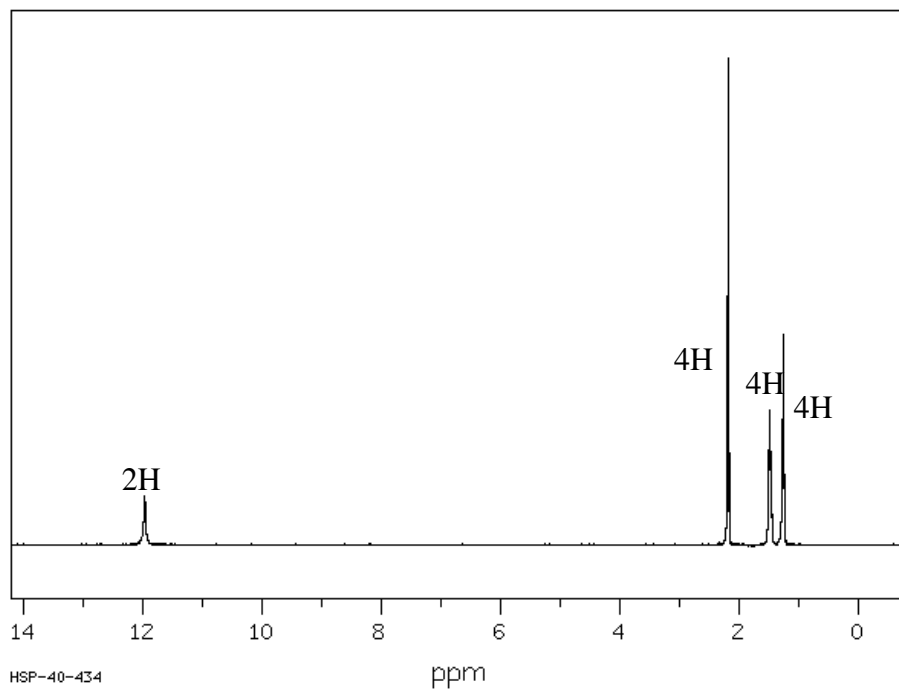


5. Compound **A** is treated with warm concentrated KMnO_4 to give compound **B**. Provide the structures of **A** and **B**. Explain how you arrived at your answer.

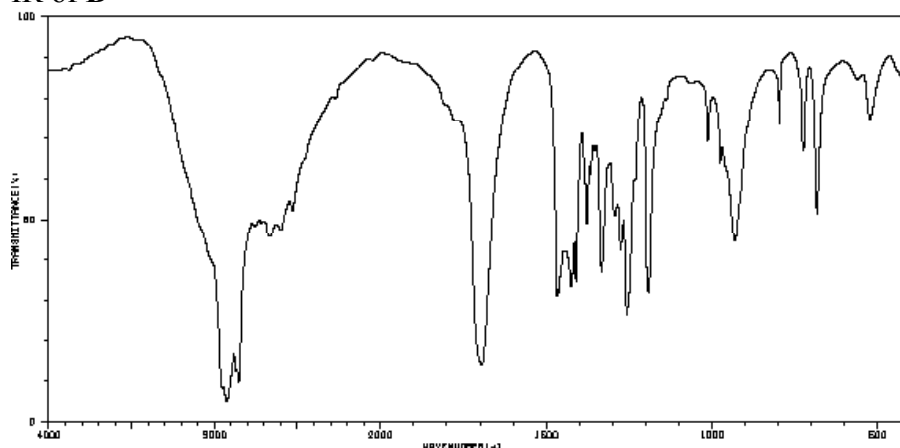
IR of **A** (F.W.=110.2)



^1H -NMR of **B** (F.W.= 174.2)

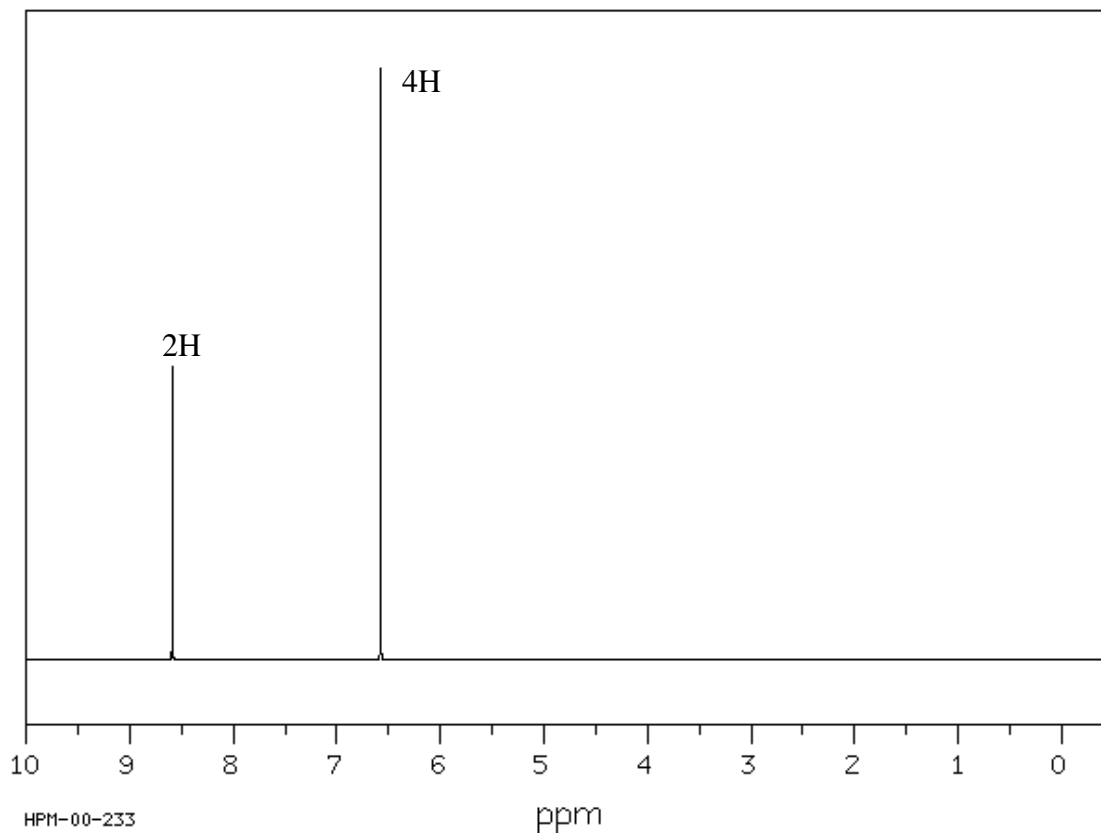


IR of **B**

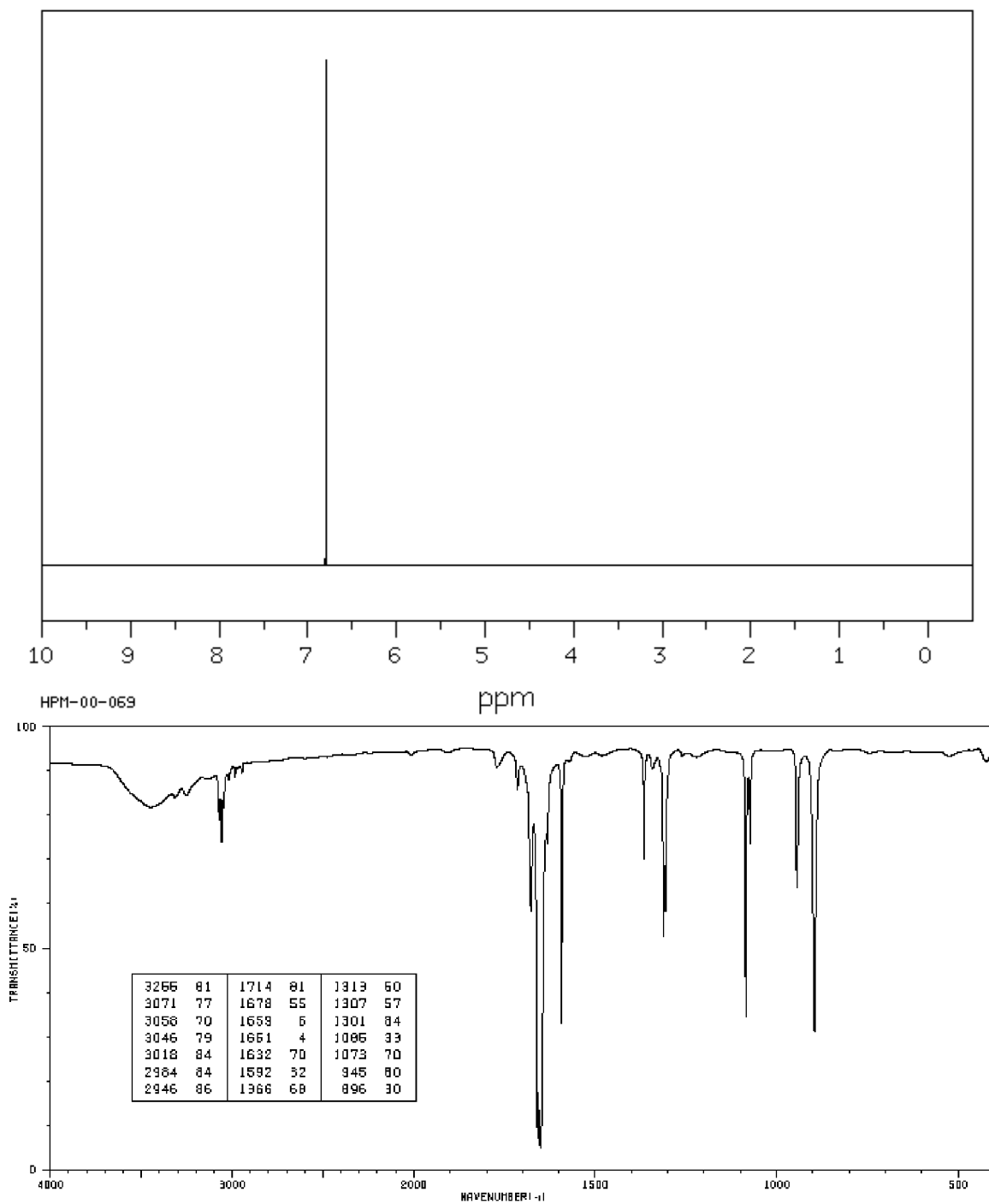


6. Aromatic compound **A** (F.W.= 110.1) is oxidized by FeCl_3 to give **B** (F.W. 108.1). Provide the structures of **A** and **B**. Explain how you arrived at your answer.

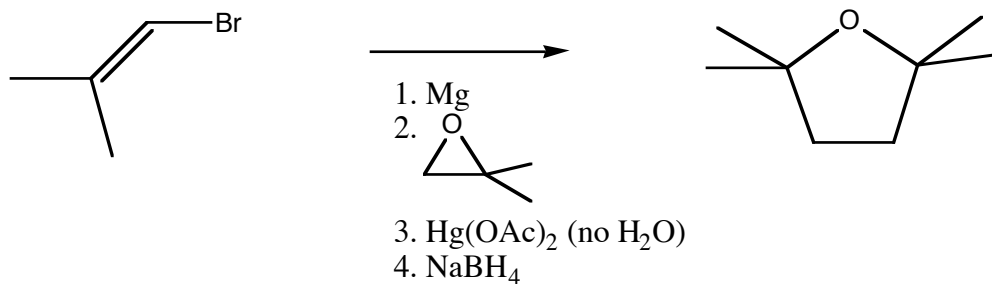
NMR of **A** (the signal at 8.6 ppm disappears with D_2O treatment).



¹H-NMR and IR of **B**

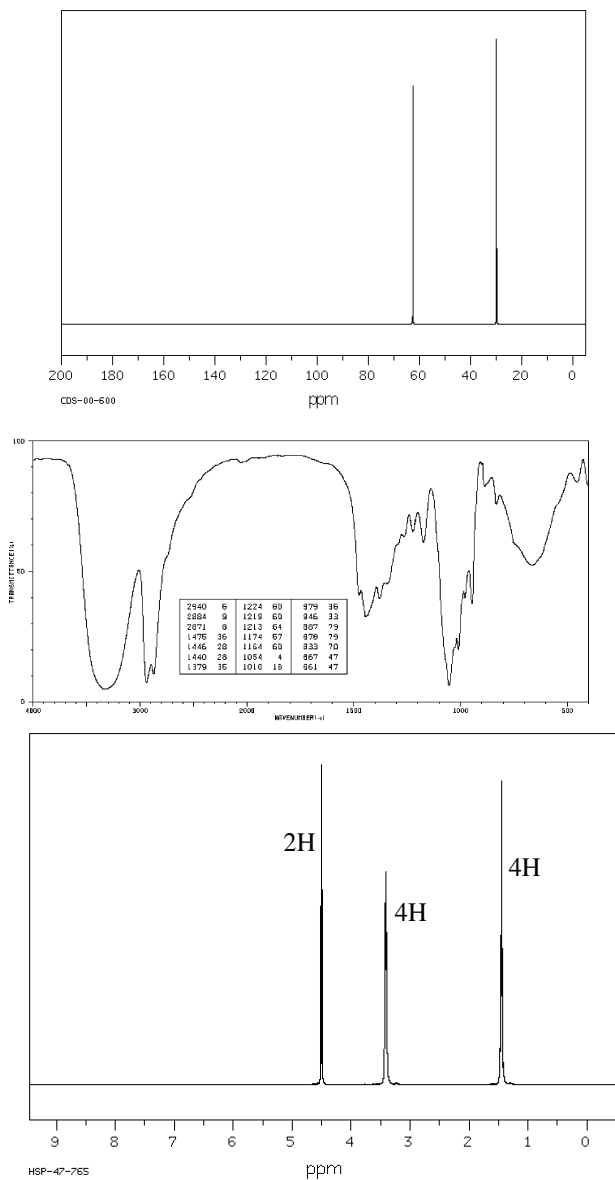


3. Show all of the intermediates and the mechanism for each step in the following transformation.



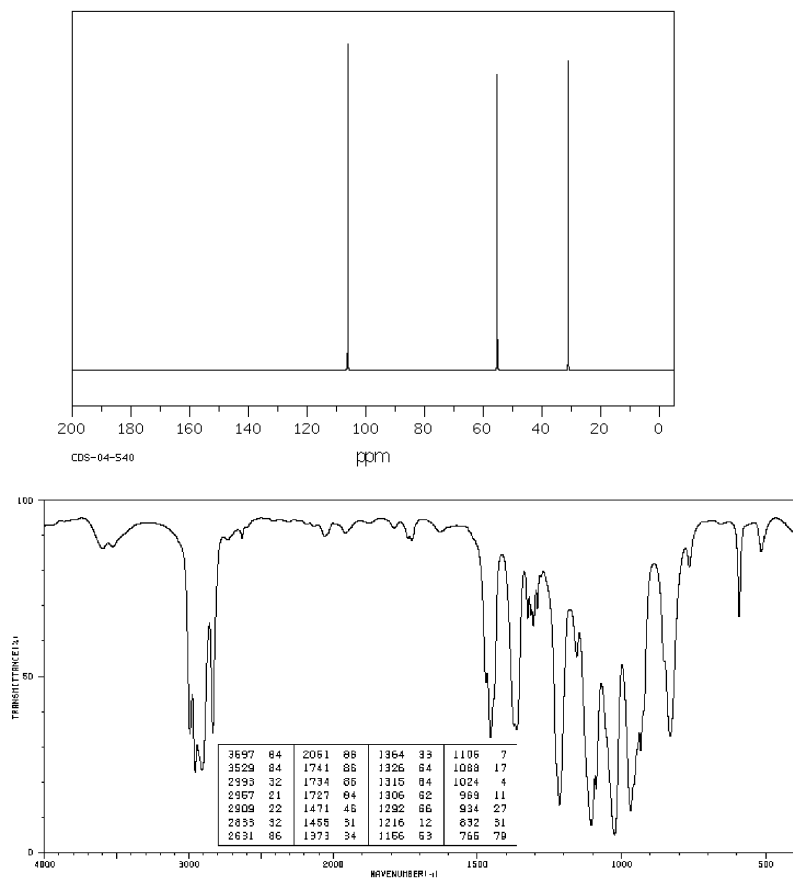
4. Compound A (F.W. = 90.1) is oxidized by pyridinium chlorochromate (PCC) in CH_2Cl_2 to give compound B (F.W. = 86) which is then treated sequentially with CH_3ONa , and CH_3I to give compound C (F.W. = 132.2) with the spectra shown and a proton NMR of 4.5 (2H, t); 3.5 (6H, s), 1.35 (4H, m). Propose structures for A, B, and C and detail the reactions. Explain your structural assignment.

IR, ^{13}C -NMR (decoupled), ^1H -NMR of Compound A.

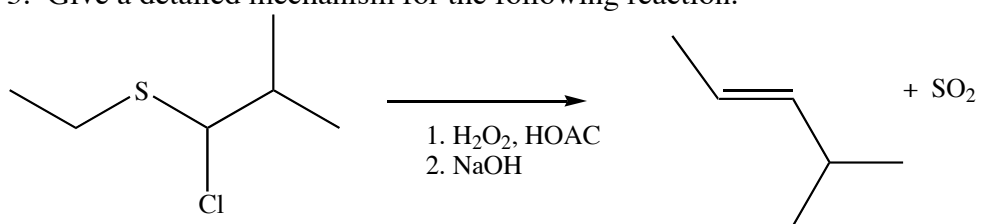


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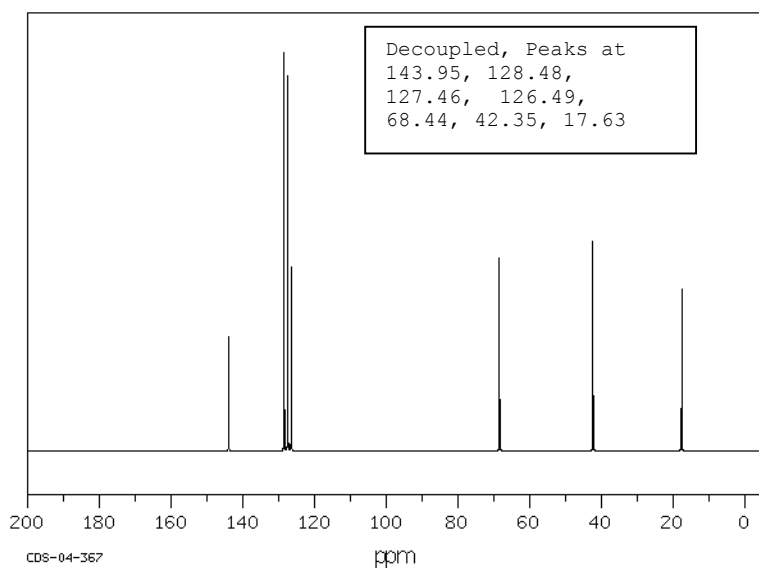
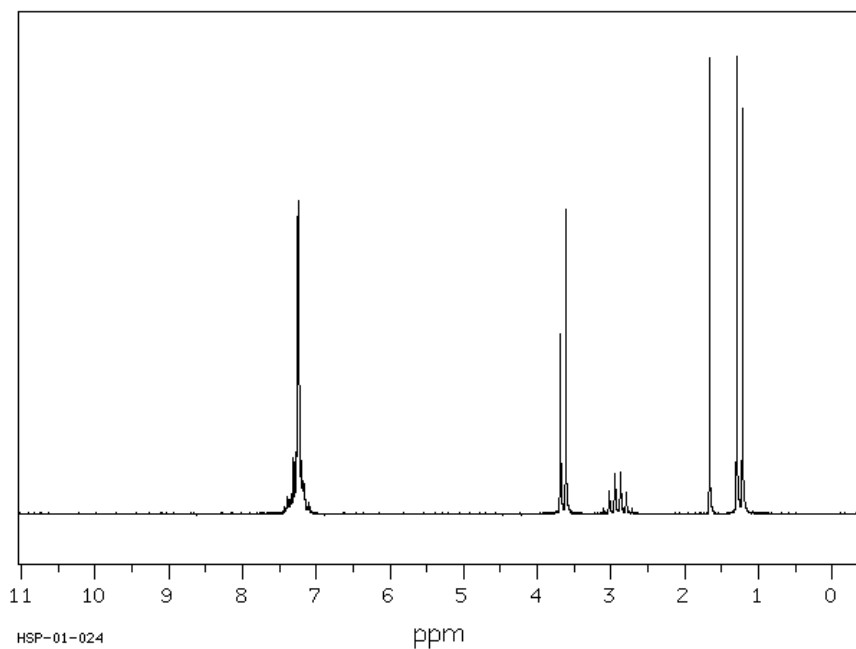
IR, ^{13}C -NMR (decoupled) of Compound C



5. Give a detailed mechanism for the following reaction.

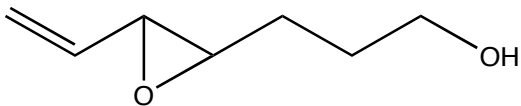


6. The following spectra are from a compound that is produced by the product of the acid catalyzed reaction with benzene and the epoxide formed from propene. Propose a structure, provide a detailed reaction mechanism, and assign the NMR signals to the best of your ability.



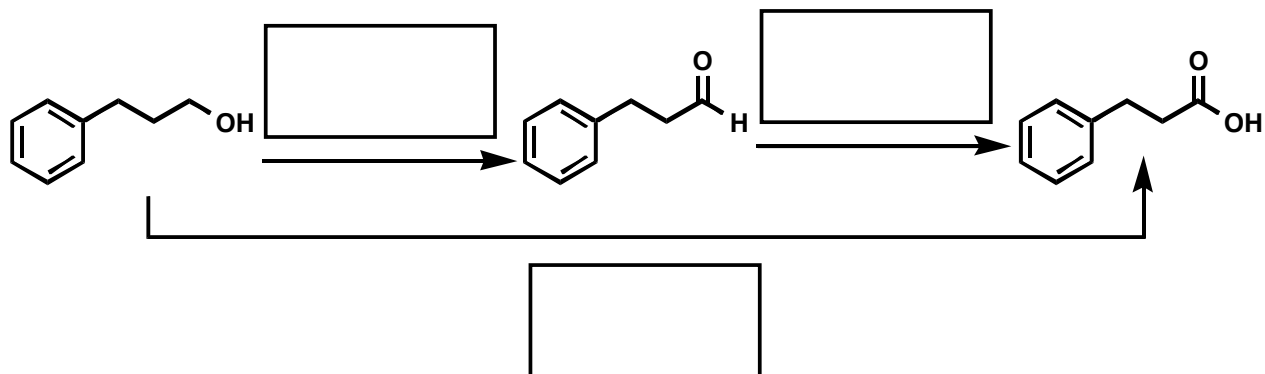
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2. Consider the TsOH and LDA initiated reactions of this epoxide under anhydrous conditions. Give the potential products and detailed mechanisms for both and show detailed stereochemistry with all absolute assignments (i.e. R or S).



1. (12 points, 1 point per box) In the boxes below, write the **product** of the reaction indicated or the **reagent or reagents** (e.g. not "Jones Reagent") required for the transformations shown. Where relevant, **clearly** indicate **stereochemistry**. If no reaction occurs, write "no reaction" in the box.

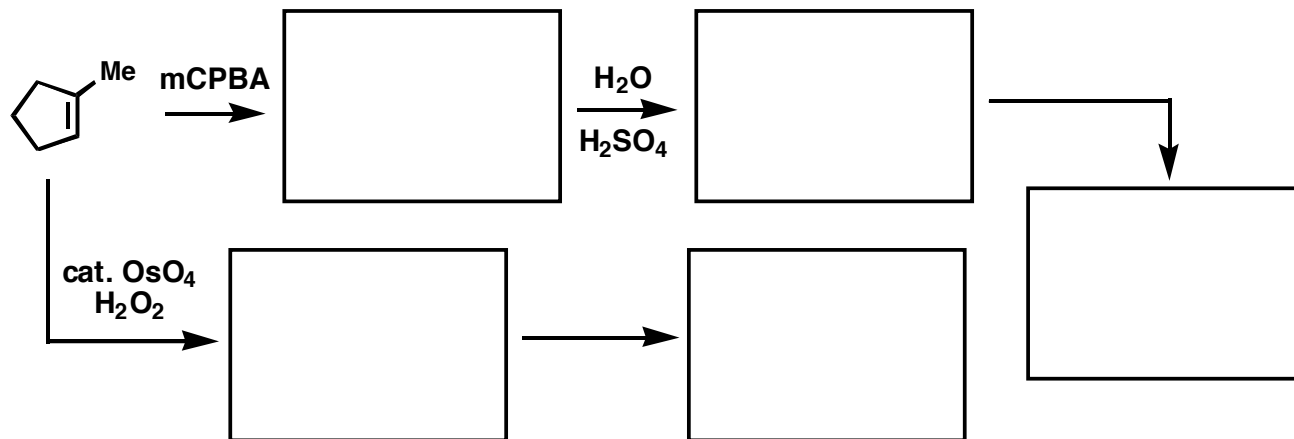
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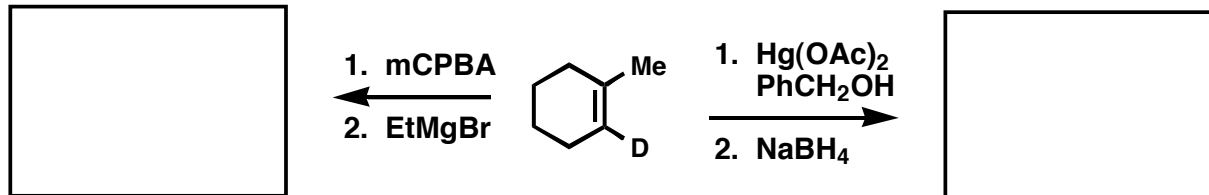
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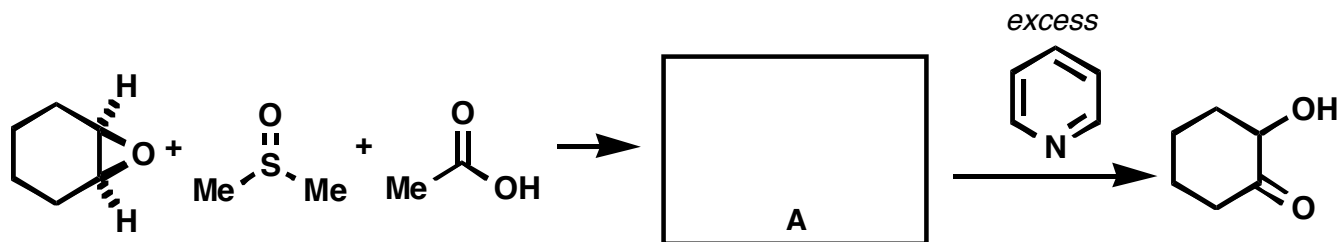
c.



d.



2. (20 points) In the reaction shown below, an epoxide is converted to a hydroxyketone in two steps. Write the structure of the epoxide-derived product of the first reaction (compound **A**) in the box below. In the space below the reaction, **clearly** write an arrow-pushing mechanism for **both steps** (i.e. starting materials \rightarrow compound **A** \rightarrow products). Clearly draw all **intermediates** and **reaction by-products** in your mechanism.



3. (36 points, 6 points each) As part of a Ph.D. thesis, an MIT graduate student performed a reaction in the lab in which a foul-smelling organic molecule (compound **A**) was treated with **NaOH** and **CH₃I**, giving compound **B**, which had a slightly less offensive odor. Some of the spectral data for compound **B** are listed below. If applicable, **clearly** indicate the **geometry of all alkenes** (e.g. cis or trans). (MW of S = 32.06)

EA: C, 67.69%; H, 6.49%; S, 25.82%

MS: $M^+ = 124$

¹H NMR (ppm) 7.18 (2H, dd, $J = 2, 8$), 7.16 (2H, dd, $J = 7, 8$), 7.02 (1H, dd, $J = 2, 7$), 2.47 (3H, s)

- What is the molecular formula of compound **B**?
- What is the "index of hydrogen deficiency" of compound **B**? (Hint: Treat sulfur as you would oxygen in such a calculation)
- How many chemically nonequivalent **carbon** atoms does compound **B** have?
- How many chemically nonequivalent **hydrogen** atoms does compound **B** have?
- Draw the structure of compound **B**.
- Draw the structure of compound **A** (the foul-smelling starting material).

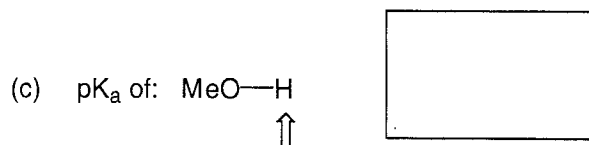
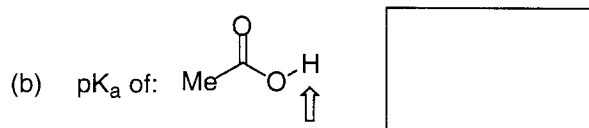
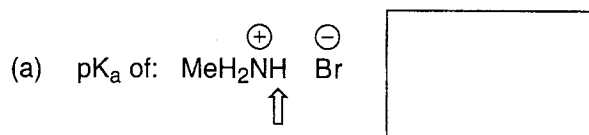
4. (32 points) In the box below, draw the structure of the unknown compound having **MF** $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}$ and the ^1H NMR data below. If applicable, **clearly** indicate the **geometry of all alkenes** (e.g. cis or trans).

^1H NMR (ppm) 7.54 (1H, d, $J = 16$), 7.30 (2H, dd, $J = 2, 8$), 7.21 (2H, dd, $J = 7, 8$), 7.14 (1H, dd, $J = 2, 7$), 6.67 (1H, d, $J = 16$), 1.21 (9H, s)

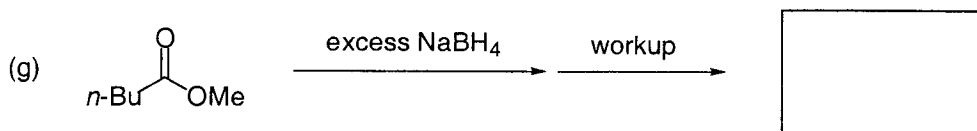
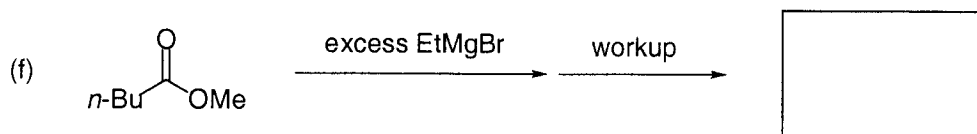
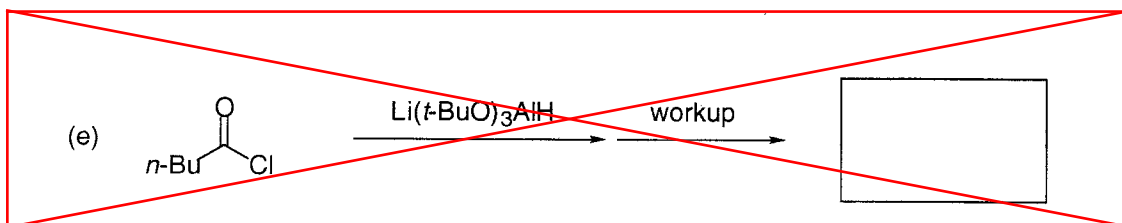
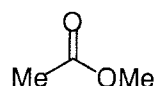
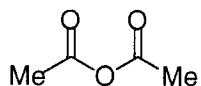
Your proposed structure:

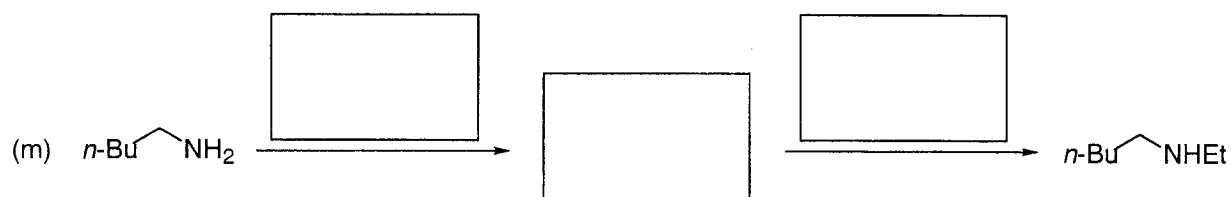
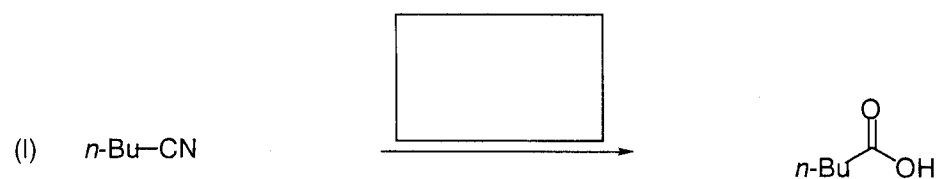
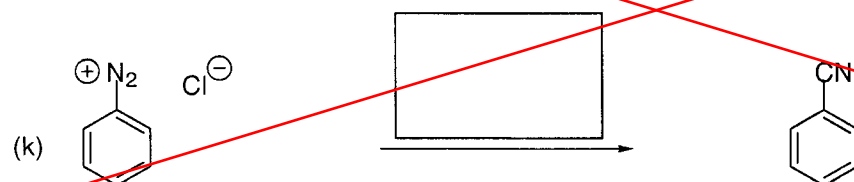
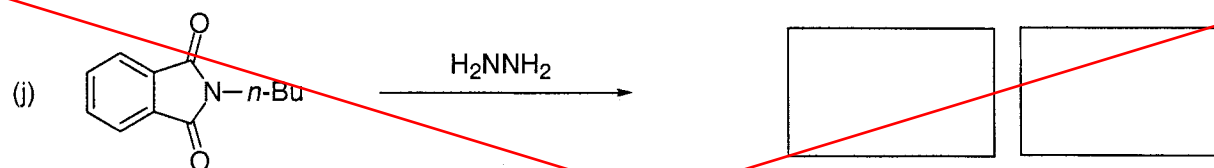
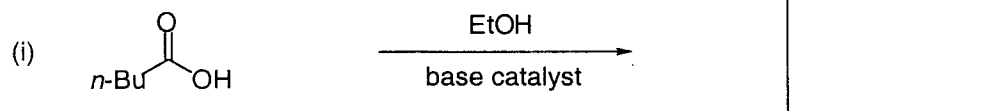


(1) (2 points each, 30 points total) Please provide the requested answer/data/reagents. If no reaction is expected, write "NR". Note: *n*-Bu = *n*-Butyl = -CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₃.

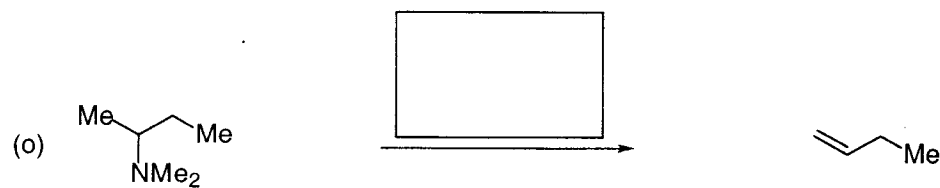
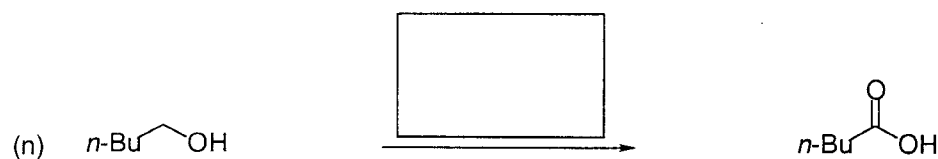


(d) Circle the compound that will react faster with Me₂NH:

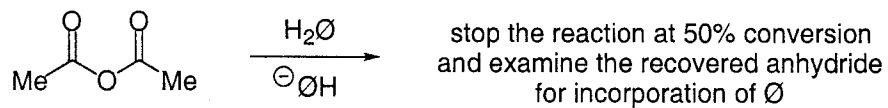




Your method should cleanly generate the secondary amine.



(2) (9 points) Consider the experiment outlined below:

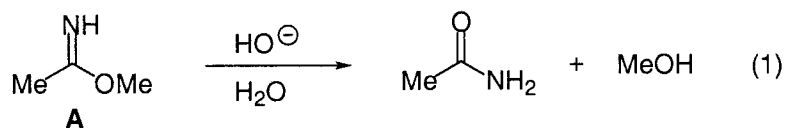


O = isotopically labeled oxygen

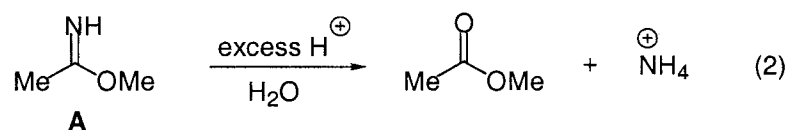
In analogy with the discussion in class regarding the labeling studies of acid chloride, amides, etc., carefully explain what level ("high" or "low") of O incorporation you expect to observe in the recovered anhydride. Your explanation should include the mechanism for this hydrolysis reaction.

- (3) (18 points total) Methyl acetimidate (**A**) is hydrolyzed in aqueous sodium hydroxide to (initially) give mainly acetamide and methanol (eq 1). In aqueous acid, **A** hydrolyzes to (initially) give primarily methyl acetate and the ammonium ion (eq 2).

(a) (7 points) Write a detailed mechanism for the illustrated process. Please show all arrow pushing.



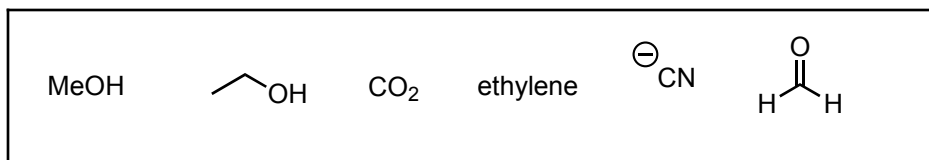
(b) (7 points) Write a detailed mechanism for the illustrated process. Please show all arrow pushing.



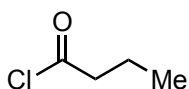
(c) (4 points) Briefly explain why the two reactions provide different products.

Synthesize the indicated compounds from the allowed starting materials shown below. All of the carbons of the target compounds should be derived from the allowed starting materials.

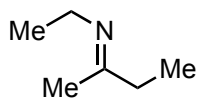
Allowed starting materials



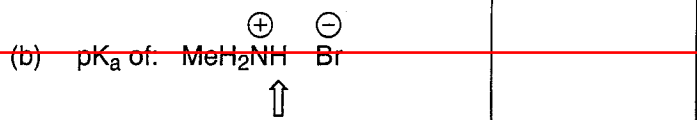
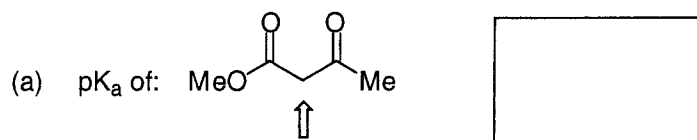
(a)



(b)

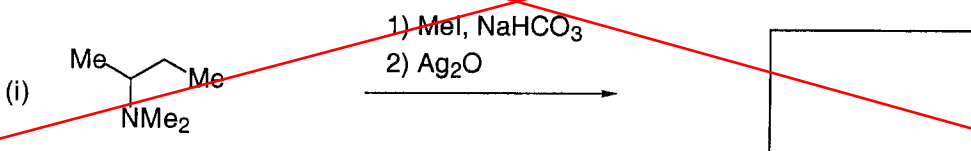
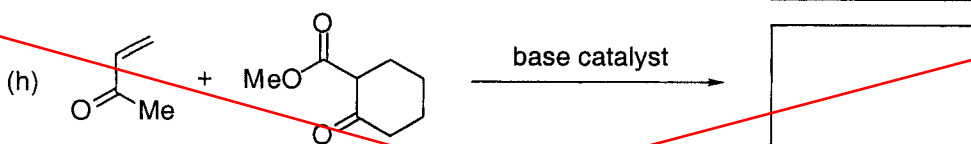
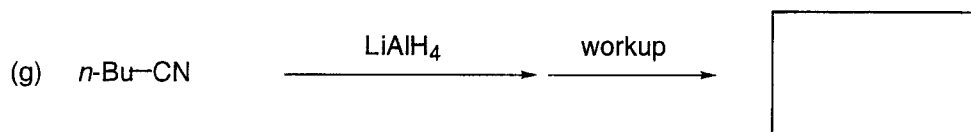
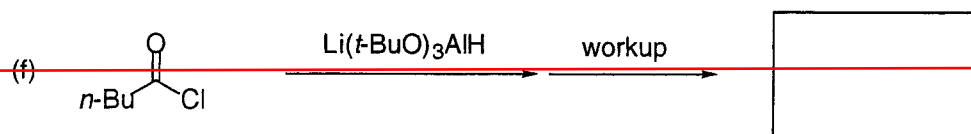


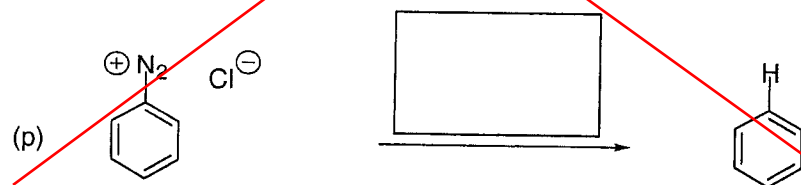
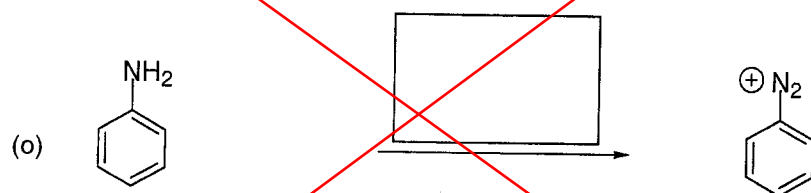
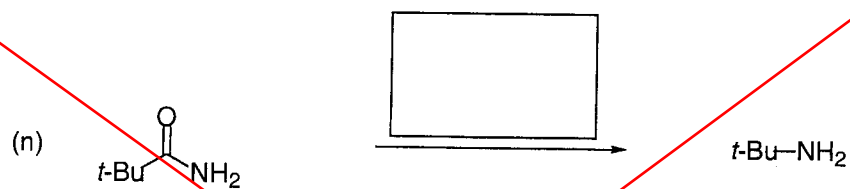
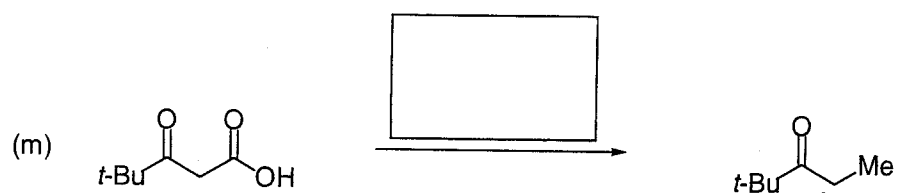
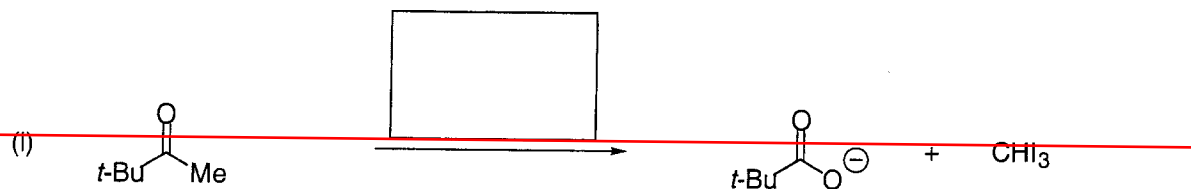
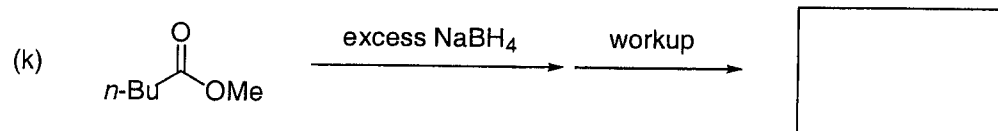
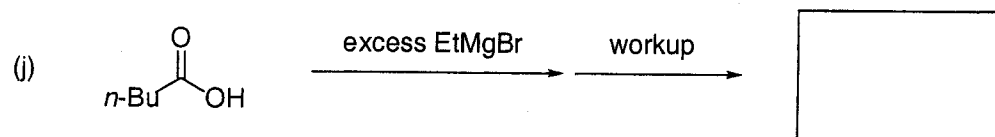
(10) (2 points each, 42 points total) Please provide the requested answer/data/reagents. If no reaction is expected, write "NR".

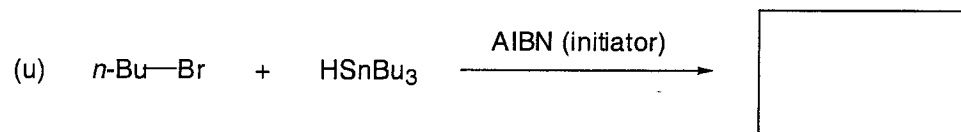
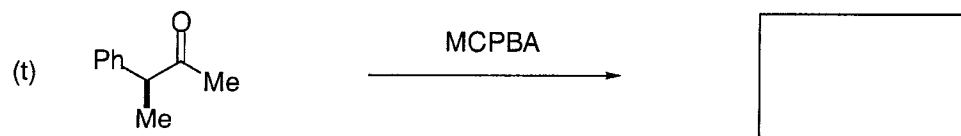
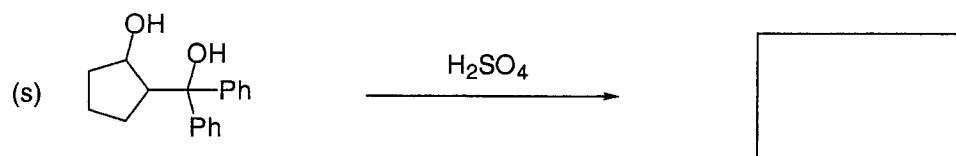
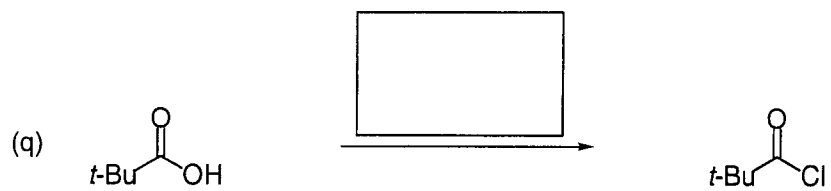


~~(d) Inversion barrier of NMe3, in kcal/mol (circle one): 5 20 50 100~~

(e) The most stable radical (circle one): CC CN CO







(11) (12 points) Provide the best mechanism. Please show all arrow pushing.

