

CHEMISTRY 2500: Organic Chemistry I
MIDTERM-2
Friday, November 23, 2018

Instructions:

- This exam paper consists of 12 questions.
- The exam is worth a total of 56 marks. Most of these marks are for explanation/showing your work rather than for reaching the correct answer. Explain all of your answers fully using diagrams where appropriate (a picture really is worth a thousand words!).
- Marks will be deducted for poorly drawn structures.
- No calculators allowed. No other electronic devices can be present with you during the exam unless authorized by the instructor.
- You may use a molecular model kit.
- There is a 2-hour time limit.
- If your work is not legible, it will be given a mark of zero.
- **Read the questions carefully.** Good luck.

Confidentiality Agreement:

I agree not to discuss (or in any other way divulge) the contents of this exam until they have all been marked and returned. I understand that, if I were to break this agreement, I would be choosing to commit academic misconduct, a serious offense that will be punished. The minimum punishment would be a mark of 0 on this exam and removal of the “overwrite midterm mark with final exam mark” option for my grade in this course; the maximum punishment would include expulsion from this university.

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Course: CHEM 2500 (Organic Chemistry I)

Semester: Fall 2018

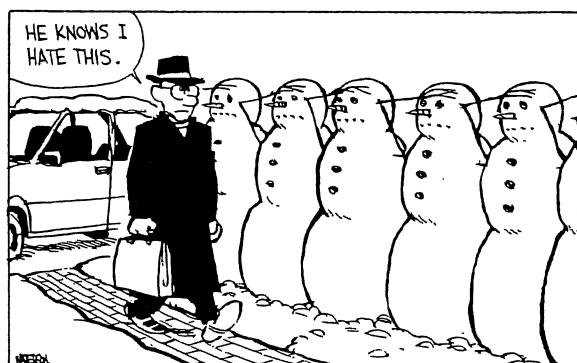
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Question Breakdown

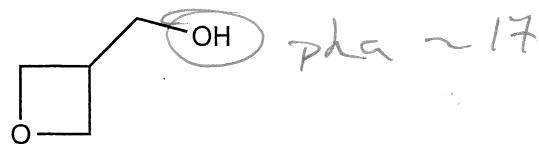
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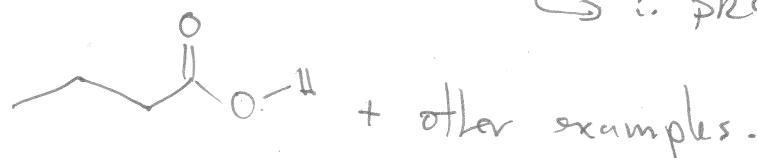
1. Consider compound X with molecular formula C₄H₈O₂:

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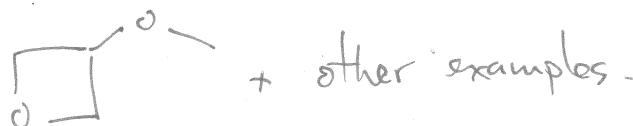


Compound X (C₄H₈O₂)

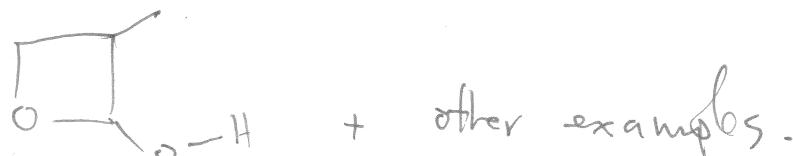
(a) Draw a constitutional isomer that is approximately 1 trillion (10^{12}) times more acidic than the compound X.



(b) Draw a constitutional isomer that is less acidic than the compound X.



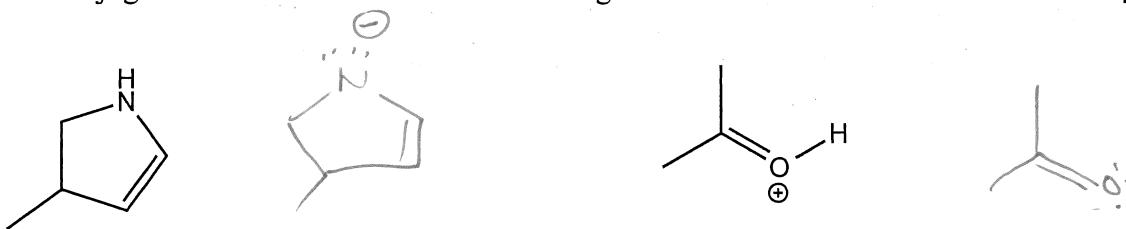
(c) Draw a constitutional isomer that will have approximately the same acidity as the compound X.



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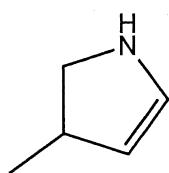
(a) Draw the conjugate base beside each of the following acids.

[4 marks]

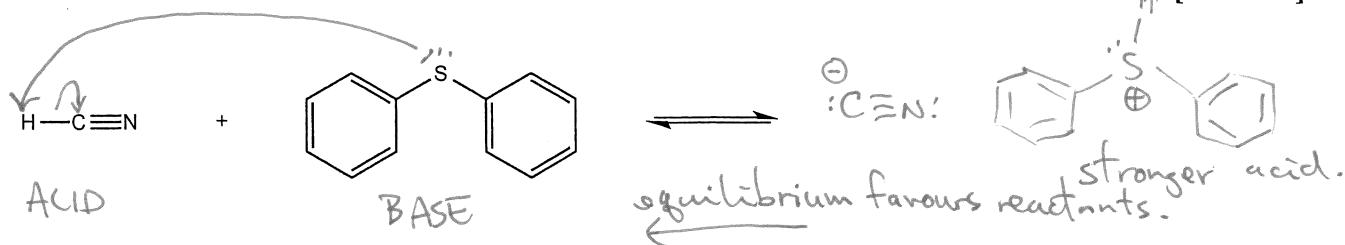


(b) Draw the conjugate acid beside each of the following bases.

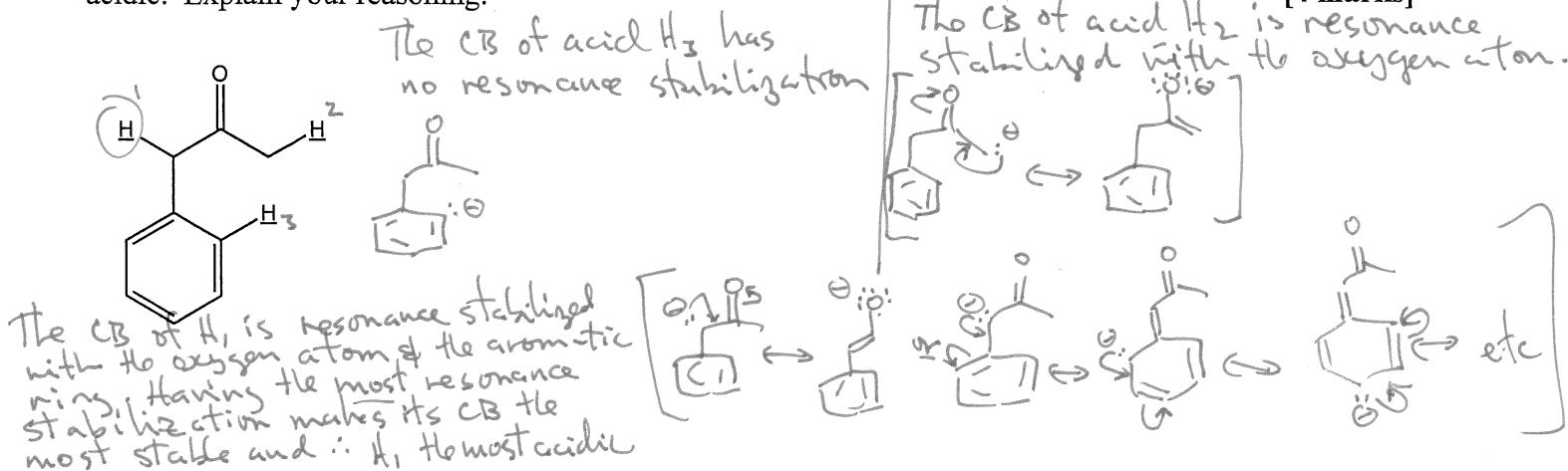
NaOH



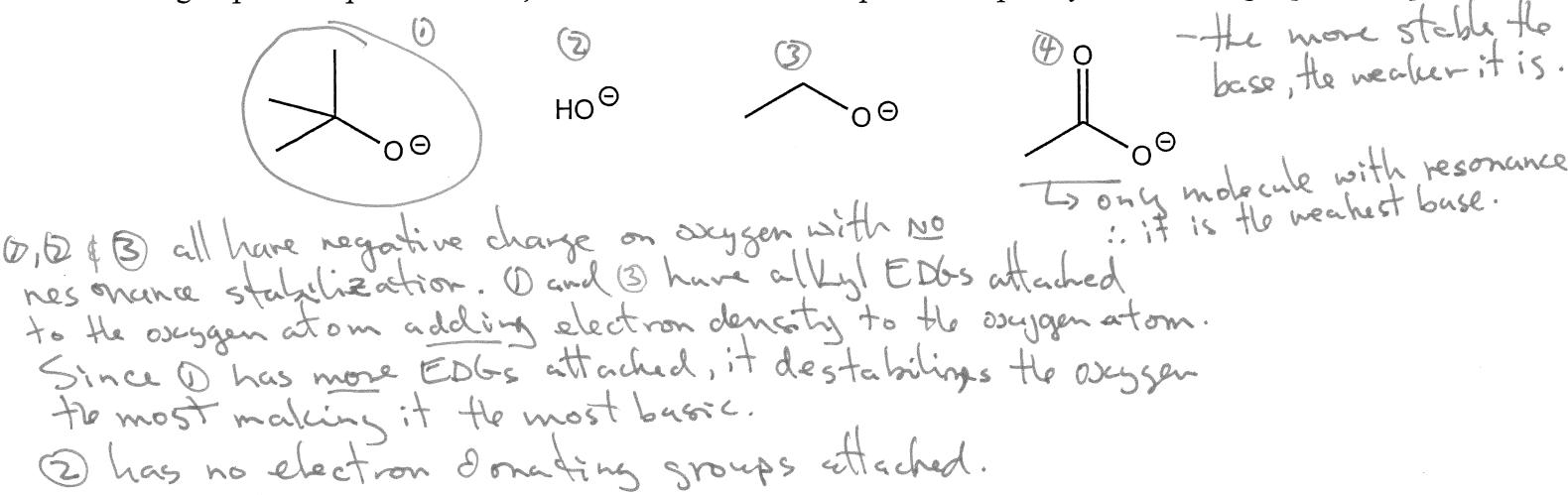
3. For the reactants below, identify the acid and base. Then draw the mechanistic arrows showing a proton transfer reaction. Draw the products of that proton transfer reaction and then predict the position of the equilibrium. [4 marks]



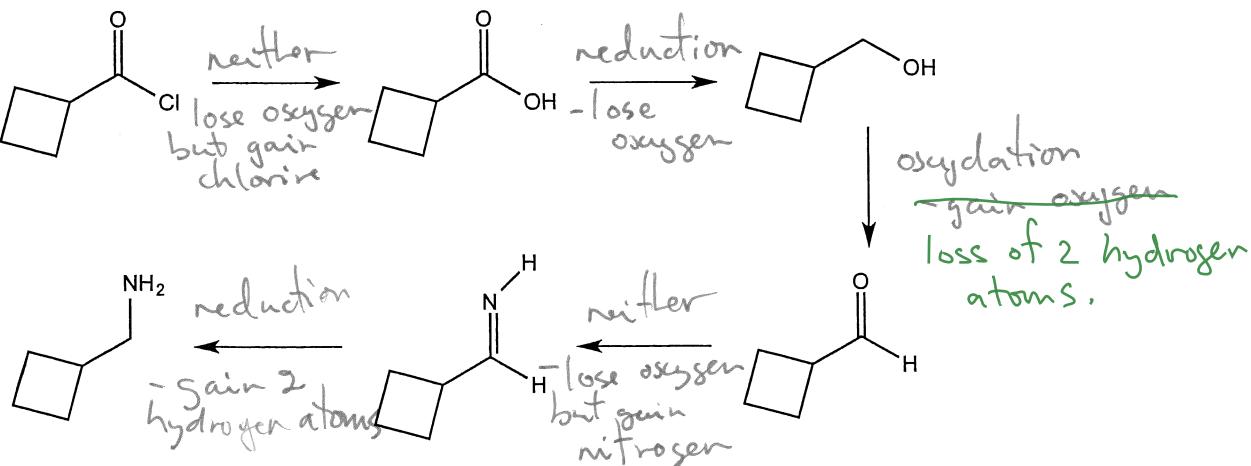
4. The molecule below has three protons which are underlined. Determine which of the three protons is more acidic. Explain your reasoning. [4 marks]



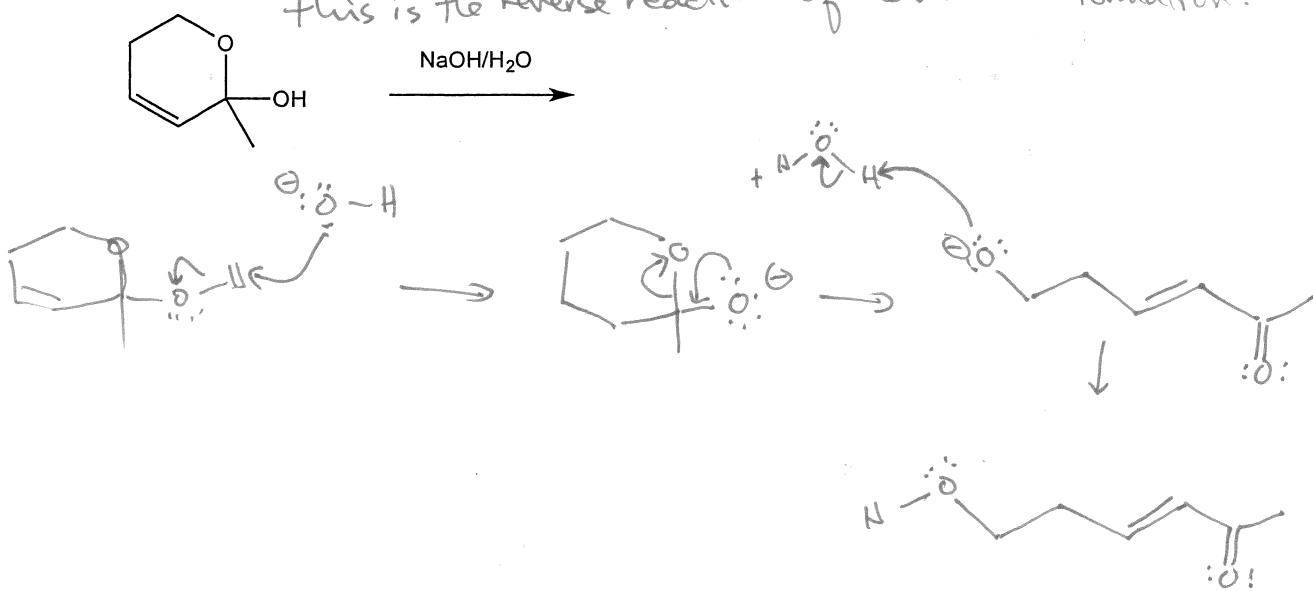
5. In the group of compounds below, circle the most basic compound. Explain your reasoning. [4 marks]



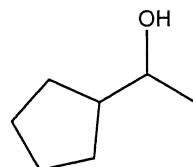
6. Over each arrow, classify each of the reactions in the following multistep sequence as an oxidation, a reduction, or neither. [5 mark]



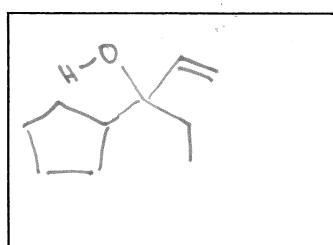
7. The following hemiacetal yields a carbonyl compound when treated with aqueous sodium hydroxide (NaOH). Using curved arrows, draw the mechanism of this reaction and determine the structure of the aldehyde or ketone that results. [5 marks]



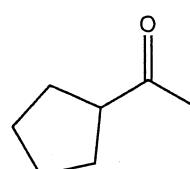
8. For the following reaction sequences, provide the missing reagents or products. [4 marks]



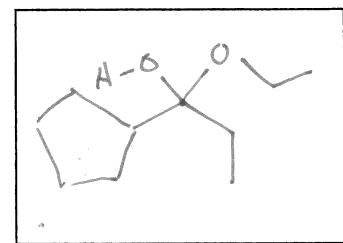
NaBH_4
EtOH



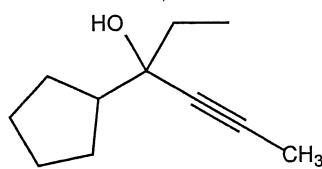
1. $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHMgBr}$, THF
2. NH_4Cl , H₂O



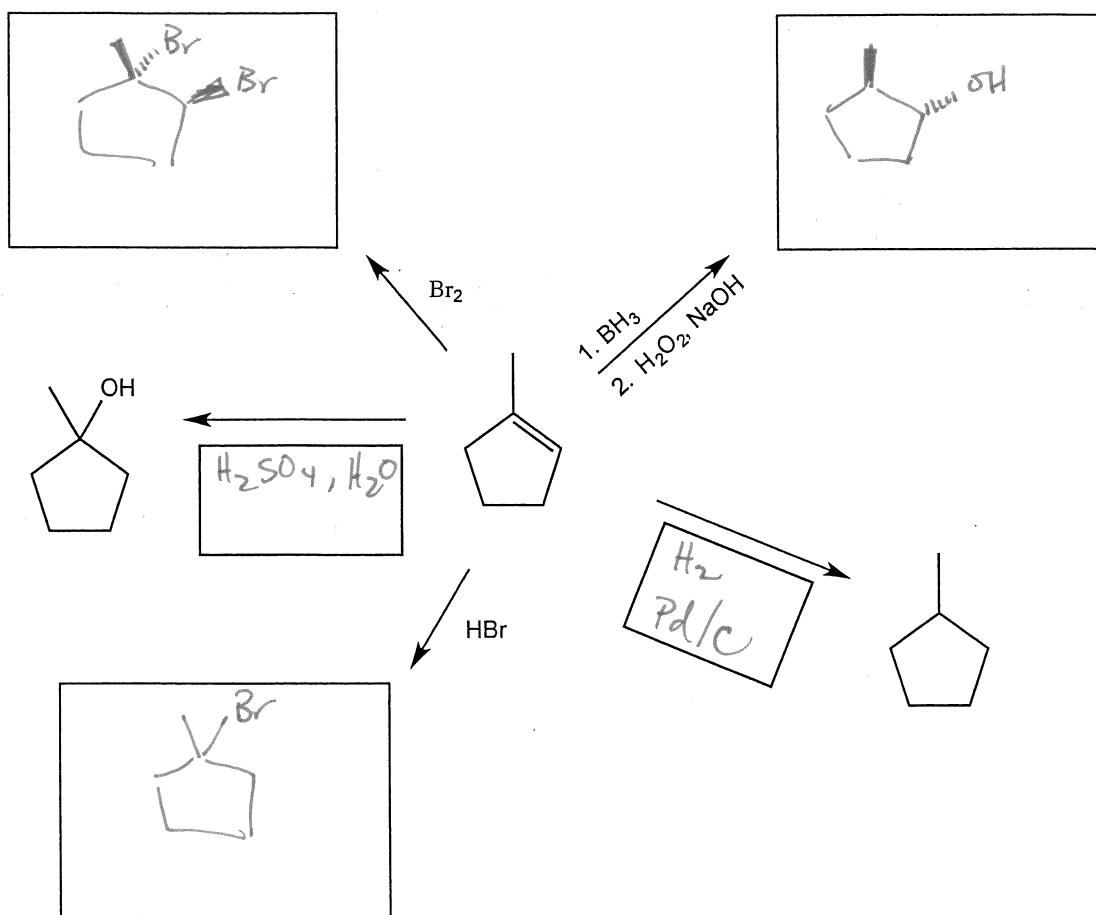
H_3O^+
 CH_3OH



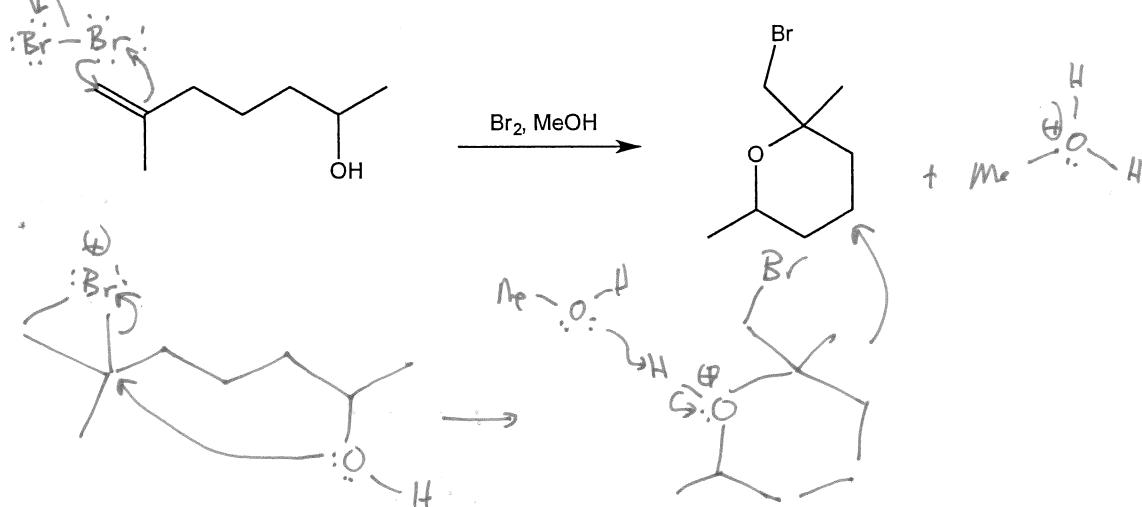
1) $\text{:C}\equiv\text{C}-\text{CH}_3$
2) NH_4Cl , H₂O



9. For each of the following reactions, fill in the missing reagents or products. For the products, be sure to indicate the correct stereochemistry where necessary. [6 marks]

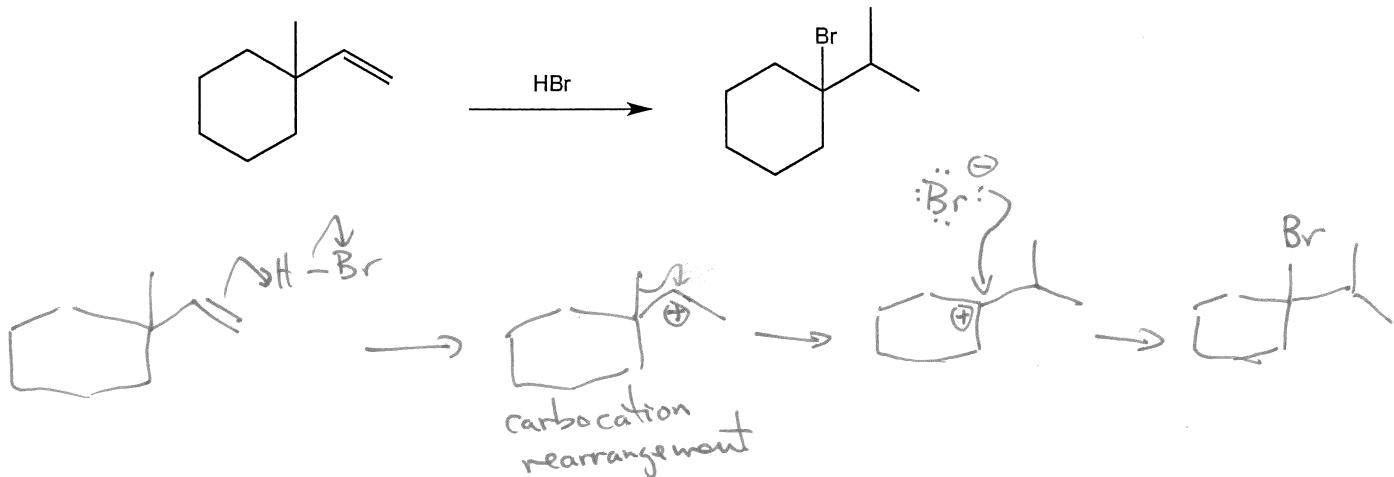


10. Use curved arrows to draw a plausible mechanism for the following reaction. [5 marks]

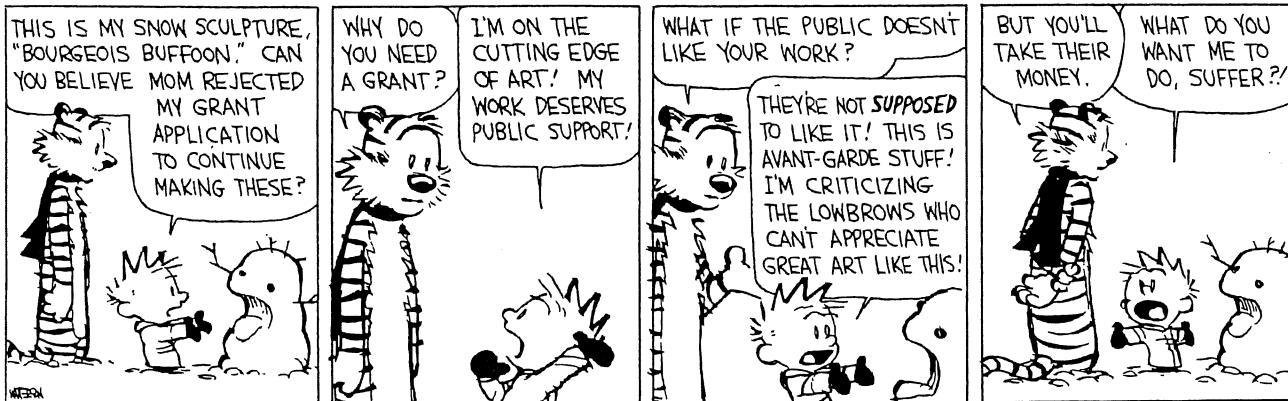
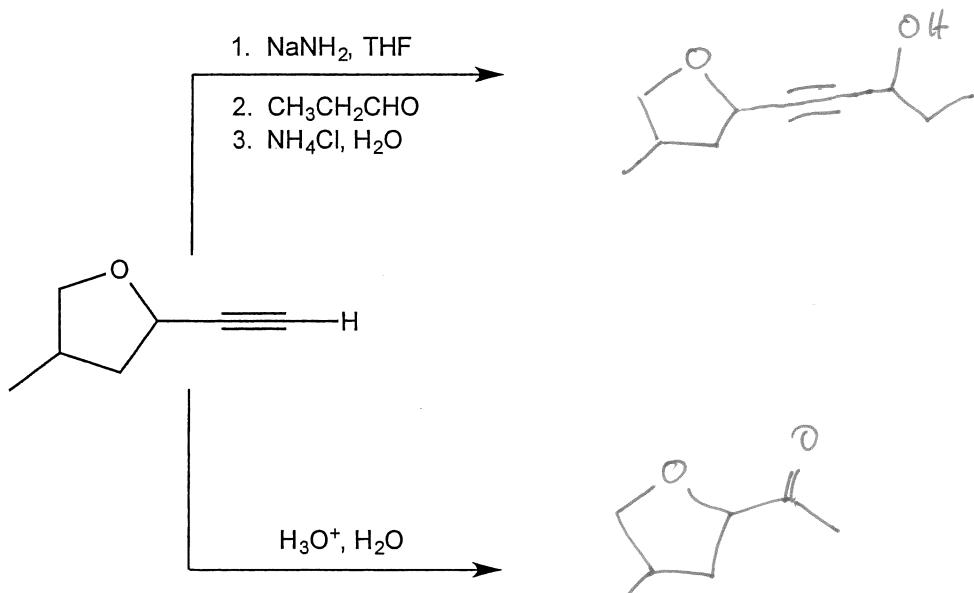


11. Use curved arrows to draw a plausible mechanism for the following reaction.

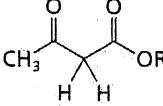
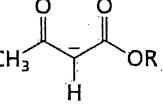
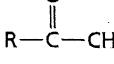
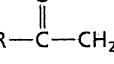
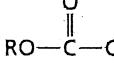
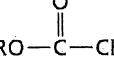
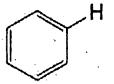
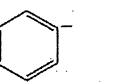
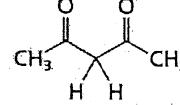
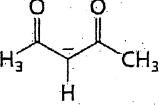
[5 marks]



12. Predict the products formed when the given compound is treated with each of the following. [4 marks]



pKa values of molecules and ions commonly encountered in organic chemistry.

Acid	Conjugate base	pKa	Acid	Conjugate base	pKa
HClO ₄	ClO ₄ ⁻	-10	HCN	CN ⁻	9.2
HI	I ⁻	-9	NH ₄ ⁺	NH ₃	9.2
		-9	ArOH	ArO ⁻	10
HBr	Br	-9	R-CH ₂ NO ₂	R-CH-NO ₂	10
H ₂ SO ₄	HSO ₄ ⁻	-7	RNH ₃ ⁺	RNH ₂	11
HCl	Cl ⁻	-7	RSH	RS ⁻	11
		-7			11
ArSO ₃ H	ArSO ₃ ⁻	-6.5	H ₂ O ₂	HOO ⁻	11.6
		-6	PhNHCOR	PhN-COR	13
	R-O-R'	-3.5	CH ₃ OH	CH ₃ O ⁻	15.2
	R-O-H	-2	H ₂ O	HO ⁻	15.7
H ₃ O ⁺	H ₂ O	-1.7	RCH ₂ OH	RCH ₂ O ⁻	16
HNO ₃	NO ₃ ⁻	-1.4	R ₂ CH-OH	R ₂ CH-O ⁻	17
H ₂ SO ₄	SO ₄ ²⁻	2	R ₃ C-OH	R ₃ C-O ⁻	17
H ₃ PO ₄	H ₂ PO ₄ ⁻	2.1			20
HF	F ⁻	3.1			24
HONO	NO ₂ ⁻	3.3	R-CH ₂ CN	R-CH-CN	25
ArNH ₃ ⁺	ArNH ₂	4	H-C≡C-H	H-C≡C ⁻	25
HN ₃	N ₃ ⁻	4.6	PhNH ₂	PhNH ⁻	28
RCOOH	RCOO ⁻	5	H ₂	H ⁻	35
H ₂ CO ₃	HCO ₃ ⁻	6.4	NH ₃	NH ₂ ⁻	38
H ₂ S	HS ⁻	7	Ph-CH ₃	Ph-CH ₂ ⁻	40
ArSH	ArS ⁻	7			43
		9	CH ₂ =CH ₂	CH ₂ =CH ⁻	44
			CH ₄	CH ₃ ⁻	48

Abbreviations: Ar = aryl; Ph = phenyl; R = alkyl.

*lanthanoids

**actinoids