

1st Semester Organic Chemistry

Exam 1

Name:

Recitation Instructor:

Instructions

1. Keep the exam closed until you are instructed to begin.
2. The exam consists of 9 questions. The first thing you should do is make sure that no pages are missing. If a page is missing, notify a proctor immediately.
3. You will have 1 hr and 15 minutes to complete the exam, at which time pencils must be put down. Budget your time wisely.
4. Questions are ranked easy (*), medium (**), and hard (***). You probably shouldn't spend too much time on a hard question if you still have easy or medium difficulty problems you haven't tried yet.
4. Make sure to show all of your work, and make it clear what your thought process was. Answers should fit in the space provided. If you need to use the back of the sheet of paper, you must make note of it in the space allotted for credit.
5. GOOD LUCK!

Breakdown

1 ___/10

2 ___/10

3 ___/10

4 ___/10

5 ___/10

6 ___/10

7 ___/20

8 ___/10

9 ___/10

Tot. _____/100



"Of course the elements are earth, water, fire and air. But what about chromium? Surely you can't ignore chromium."

From: sciencecartoonsplus.com

1. IUPAC (10 points, 5 points each)

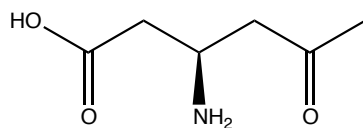
a. Give the name of the following molecule.* _____



b. Draw bicyclo[3.3.1]nonane using line-angle notation.*

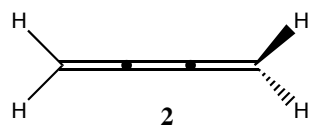
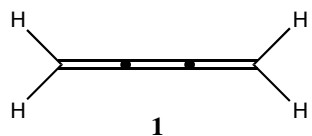
2. Functional Groups (10 points)

Circle and name all functional groups on the following molecule.*



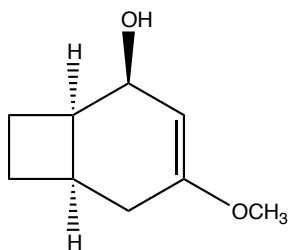
3. Hybridization (10 points)

Which of the following stereochemical representations of the extended allene are most accurate (**1** or **2**). Explain your answer, drawing in molecular orbitals (p orbitals) to help explain your answer.**



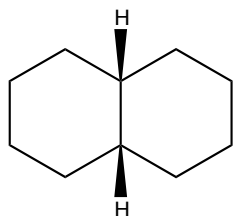
4. Stereochemistry Part 1 (10 points)

Circle the stereocenter(s) (ie 'chiral centers') on the following molecule and designate it (them) as R or S.**

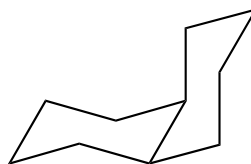


5. Stereochemistry Part 2 (10 points)

Cis dekalin drawn in its planar form has a plane of symmetry, suggesting that it is achiral. However, when drawn in the chair-chair form, the molecule does not have a super-imposable mirror image, suggesting that it is chiral. Would you classify *cis* dekalin chiral or achiral? Use structures where possible to support your answer. ***



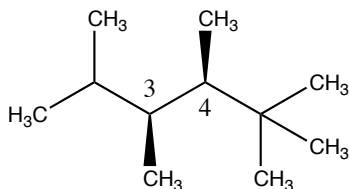
planar *cis* dekalin



chair-chair *cis* dekalin

6. Conformational Analysis Part (10 points)

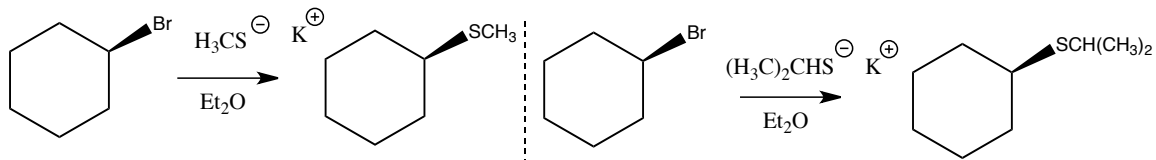
Draw all 3 staggered conformations of the following molecule in a Newman Projections down the 3-4 bond. Predict which would be the lowest in energy and explain your answer. **



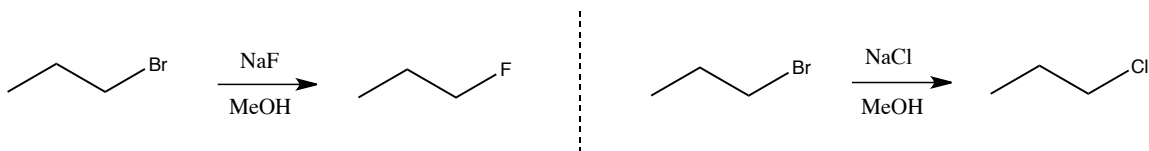
7. Substitution Reactions (20 points, 5 points each)

For each of the following substitution reactions, predict which reaction would be faster and explain your answer.

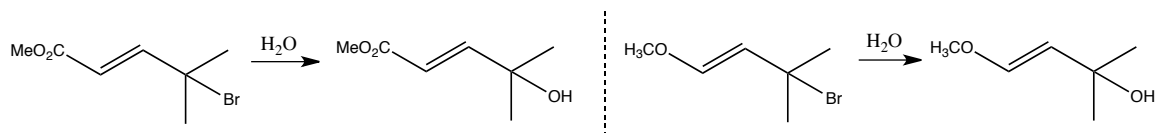
7a. SN2*



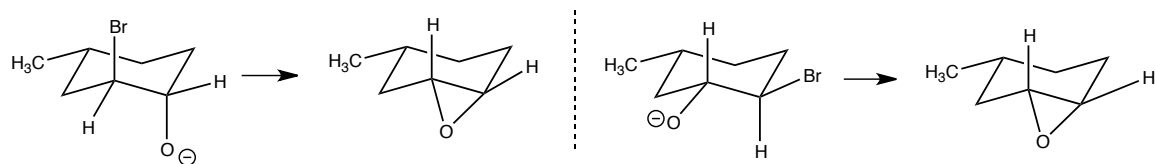
7b. SN2**



7c. SN1**

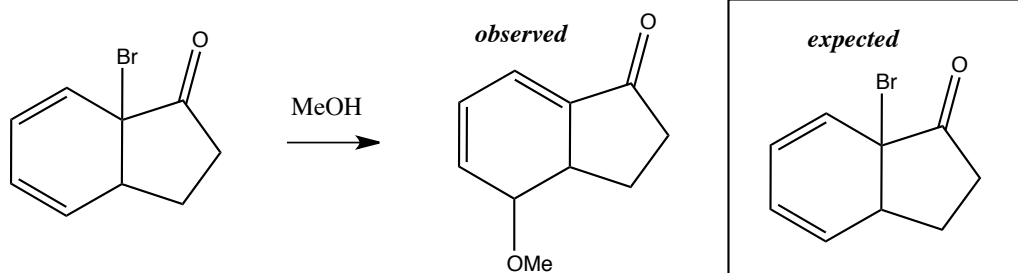


7d. SN2**



8. Mechanism # 1: Substitution (10 points)

Researchers were attempting to carry out an SN1 reaction to generate the expected product shown. However, instead a different product was observed. Propose a mechanism for the reaction that leads to the observed product.**



9. Mechanism # 2: Resonance (10 points)

Show two resonance forms that illustrate how the positive charge generated through the protonation of the xanthene molecule can be shared with the two other oxygens. Use reaction arrows to show this interconversion.***

