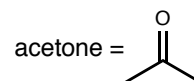
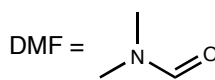
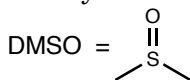
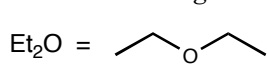
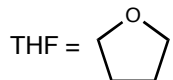


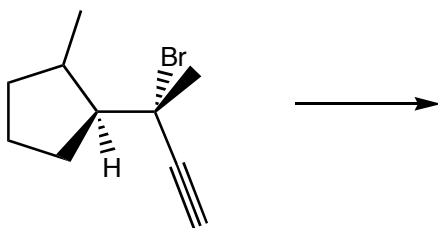
Common solvents used in organic chemistry.



Stereochemistry  
of E1 and E2  
reactions

1. a. (6 pts.) In the E2 reaction shown in part b., are both the *E* and *Z* alkenes produced? Explain your response.

- b. (6 pts.) Draw only the *E* and/or *Z* isomer(s) that is(are) produced during the reaction



- c. (6 pts.) If the reaction proceeded by an E1 mechanism, could both the *E* and *Z* isomers be produced? Explain your response.

Nucleophilicity  
of Grignard and  
alkyl lithium  
reagents

2. (10 pts.) Explain why C atoms that are directly bonded to alkali and alkaline earth metals are nucleophilic.

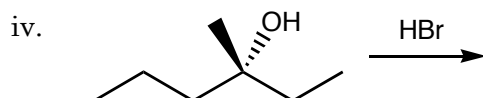
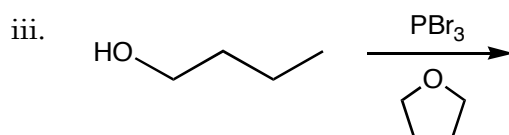
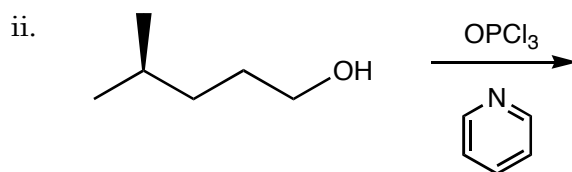
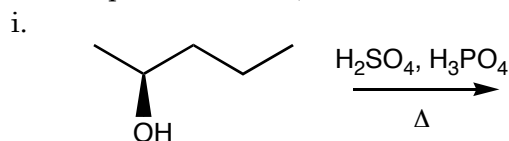
substitution and elimination reactions of alcohols

stereochemical outcome of substitution and elimination reactions

competition between substitution and elimination

regioselectivity of epoxides reactions

3. a. (2 pts. each) Identify the type of mechanism that you expect the following reactions to follow (E1, E2, S<sub>N</sub>1, or S<sub>N</sub>2, if you think the reactions proceed by a combination of mechanisms write both mechanisms), and  
b. (6 pts. each) predict the organic product(s) of the reaction (remember to indicate the stereochemistry of the products where appropriate. If more than one product forms, indicate which is the major product.)



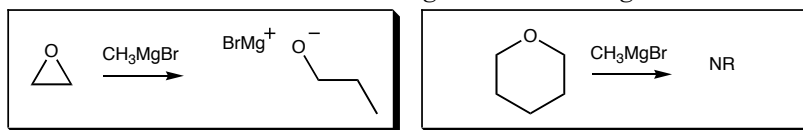
4. (6 pts. each) Predict the products of the following reactions (ignore stereochemistry).



special reactivity of epoxides

reactivity of ethers

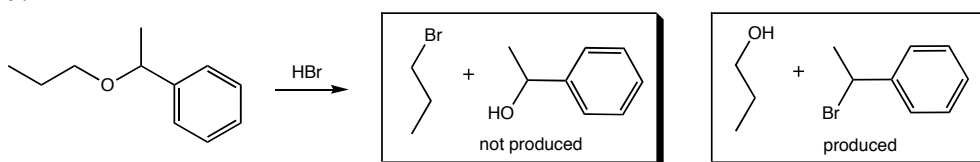
5. (10 pts.) Explain why the reaction on the left produces the indicated product, whereas no reaction occurs when the reagents on the right are combined.



reactivity of ethers

S<sub>N</sub>1 vs S<sub>N</sub>2

6. a. (6 pts.) Draw a mechanism that shows how the products of this reaction are formed.



- b. (6 pts.) Explain, why you chose the mechanism (S<sub>N</sub>1 vs S<sub>N</sub>2) that you drew above.

quality of a leaving group  
sulfonate esters  
resonance and e<sup>-</sup> withdrawing as stabilizers of negative charge

7. (10 pts) Why is triflate such a good leaving group?

