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Subject: Ethers

open chain ether: -  $R_1-O-R_2$

$R_1 = R_2 = \text{alkyl}$ : symmetrical

$(R_1 \neq R_2) = \text{alkyl}$ : unsymmetrical

(unsymmetrical)  $\rightarrow Ar-O-Ar$

$Ar_1 = Ar_2 \Rightarrow$  symmetrical

$Ar_1 \neq Ar_2 \Rightarrow$  unsymmetrical

methyl phenyl ether (anisole)

1-naphthyl phenyl ether

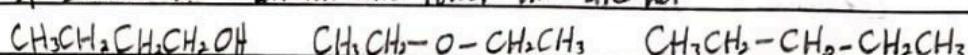
trans-2-methoxycyclohexanol

2-ethoxy-3-methylbutane

Physical properties of ethers:-

I colorless

II bp similar to alkane and lower than alcohol



bp  $118^\circ C$

$35^\circ C$

$36^\circ C$

III ethers can form H-bonds with alcohols, so they dissolve each other.  
(They are, miscible in each other)

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A Ether class

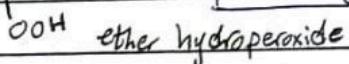
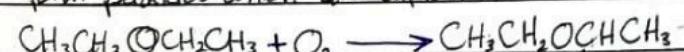
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X.  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$ CCl<sub>4</sub> K 182► Subject: Ethers

④ ethers are generally inert, so they are used as solvents for organic compounds.

⑤ Ethers are soluble in water, just like alcohols.

⑥ When ethers are exposed to air for a long time, they form peroxides which are explosive.

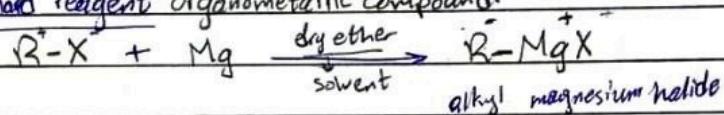


Most common solvents for

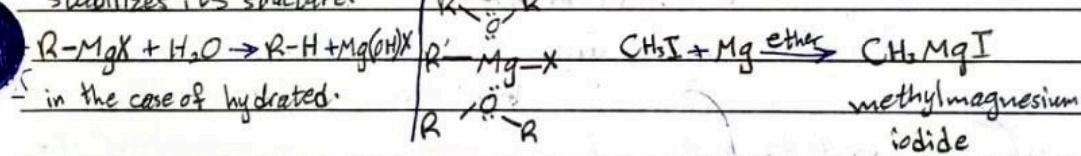
organic compounds are:-

① diethyl ether

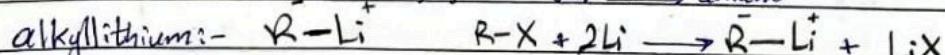
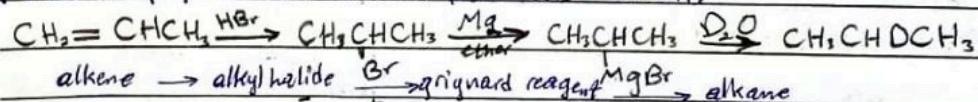
② tetrahydrofuran THF

Grignard reagent organometallic compound.\* We use a dry ether as a solvent (dehydrated), to avoid destroying the grignard reagent, because R<sup>-</sup> can accept H<sup>+</sup> from H<sub>2</sub>O.

\* Ethers are used in the process of forming grignard reagent, because it stabilizes its structure.

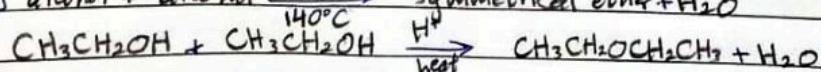


\* Alkyl halides can be converted into alkanes by altering alkyl halide to grignard reagent then to alkane.

\* How to prepare CH<sub>3</sub>CHDCH<sub>3</sub> from CH<sub>2</sub>=CHCH<sub>3</sub>?

\* Alkyllithium is similar to grignard reagent in the charge of R group.

\* Alkyllithium has chemical properties similar to those of grignard reagent.

How to Preparation of ethers:-① alcohol + alcohol  $\xrightarrow{\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4}$  symmetrical ether + H<sub>2</sub>O

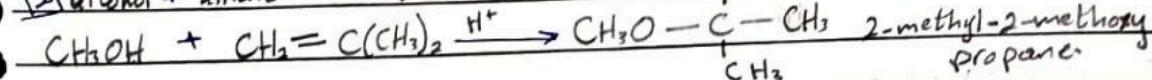
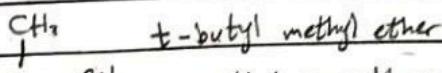
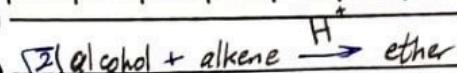
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1. General

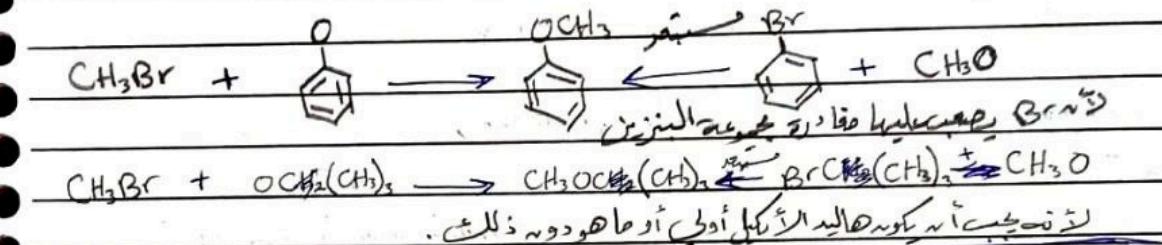
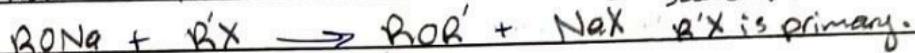
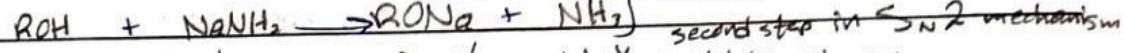
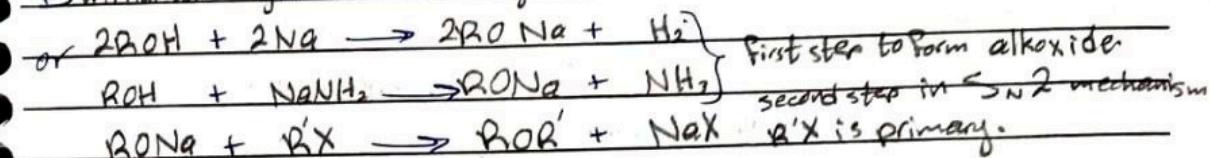
2. Ethylene Oxide

3. Alkyl Ethers

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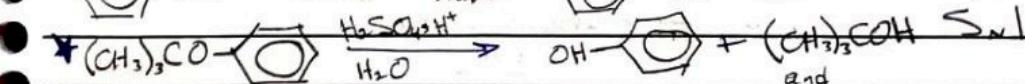
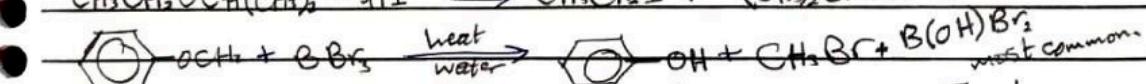
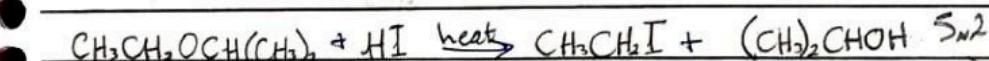
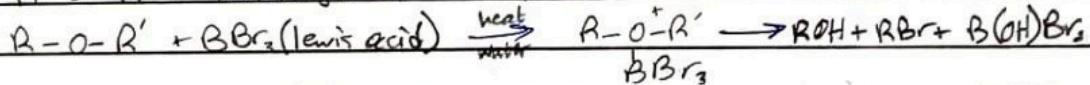
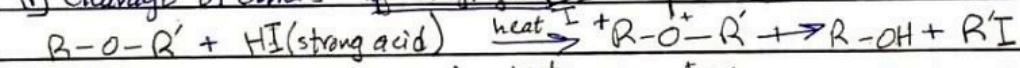


$\boxed{3}$  Williamson synthesis for unsymmetrical ethers.



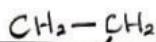
Ether reactions:-

In cleavage of ethers, the nucleophile prefers the alkyl group with less branches.



Epoxides (oxiranes)

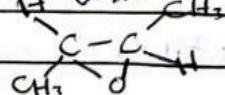
→ it is three membered ring cyclic ether.



ethylene oxide (oxirane)



2-chlorooxirane



trans-2,3-dimethyl oxirane.

1st part

Properties

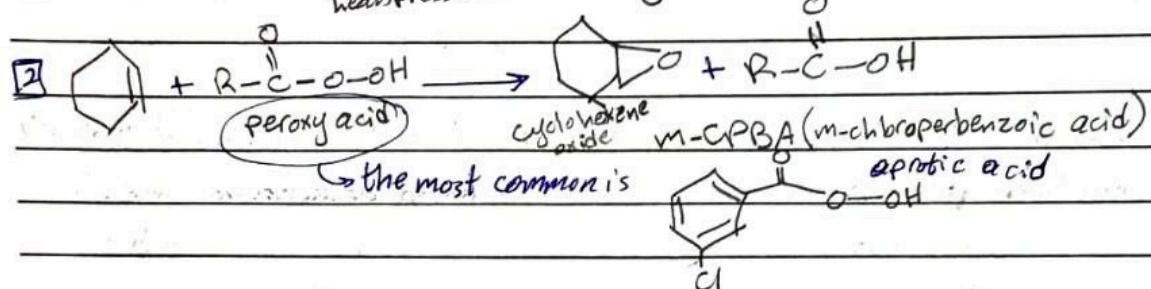
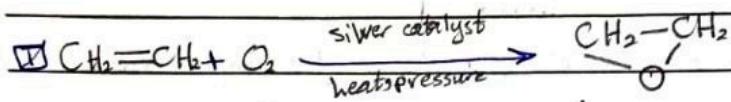
of Ether

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$\text{R}-\text{C}(=\text{O})-\text{R}'$

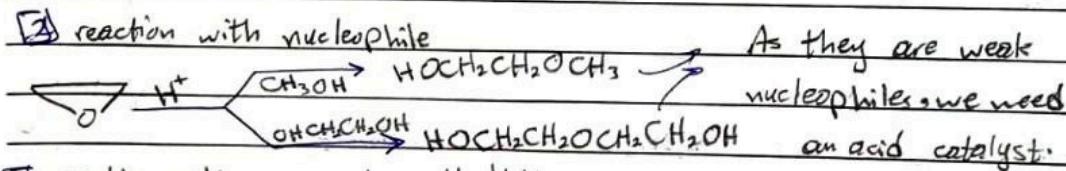
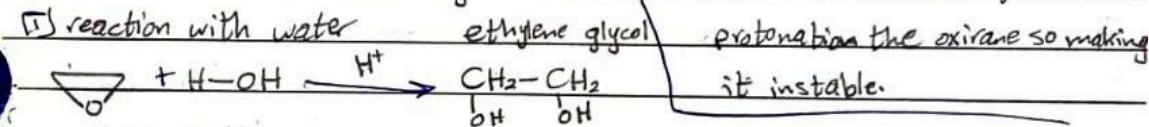
Preparing epoxides:-



Reactions of epoxide:- (addition reactions)

\* Epoxides are much more reactive than ordinary ethers, because of the strain in the three membered ring.

note:- we use an acid catalyst for



(3) reaction with Grignard or alkyl lithium.

(ways for preparing alcohols)

