

Term-II

ALDEHYDES, KETONES AND CARBOXYLIC ACIDS

Syllabus

- **Aldehydes and Ketones:** Nomenclature, nature of carbonyl group, methods of preparation, physical and chemical properties, mechanism of nucleophilic addition, reactivity of alpha hydrogen in aldehydes, uses.
- **Carboxylic Acids:** Nomenclature, acidic nature, methods of preparation, physical and chemical properties; uses.



STAND ALONE MCQs

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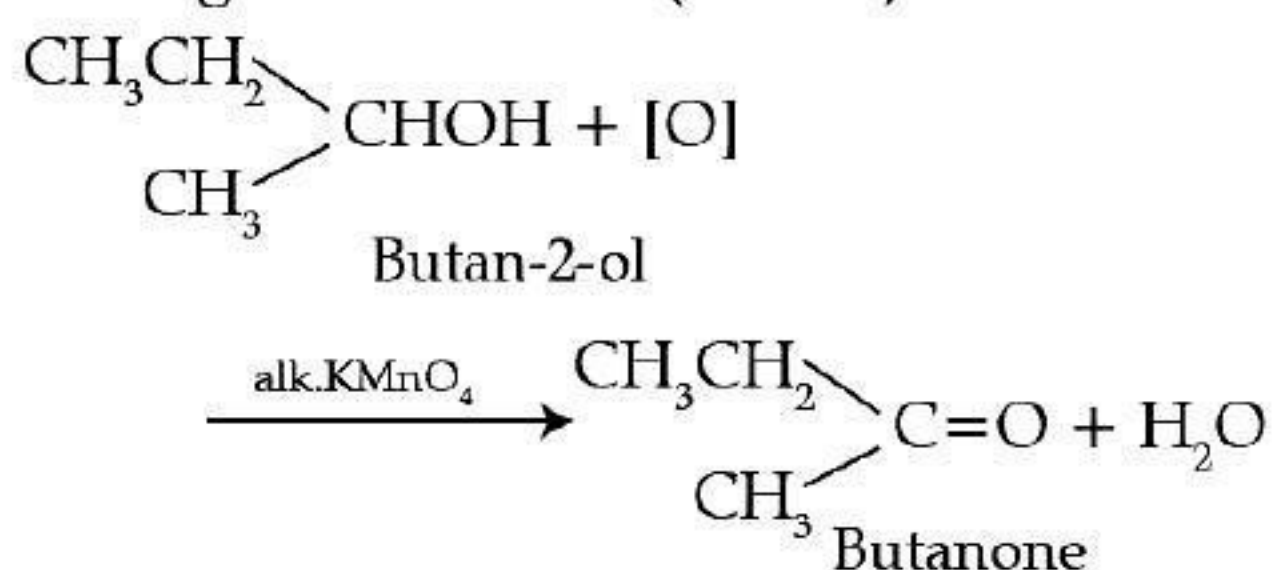
Q. 1. Which of the following compounds will give butanone on oxidation with alkaline KMnO_4 solution?

- (A) Butan-1-ol
(B) Butan-2-ol
(C) Both of these
(D) None of these

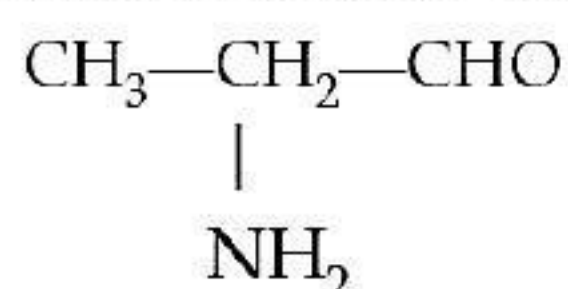
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Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation: Butan-2-ol is secondary alcohol which on oxidation with alkaline KMnO_4 solution gives butanone (ketone).



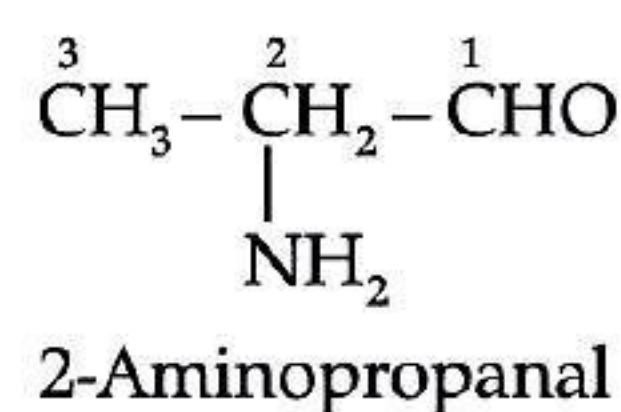
Q. 2. Write the IUPAC name of



- (A) 1-Aminopropanaldehyde
(B) 2-Aminopropanal
(C) 1-Aminoethan-1-al
(D) None of the above

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation:



Q. 3. What kind of compounds undergo Cannizzaro reactions?

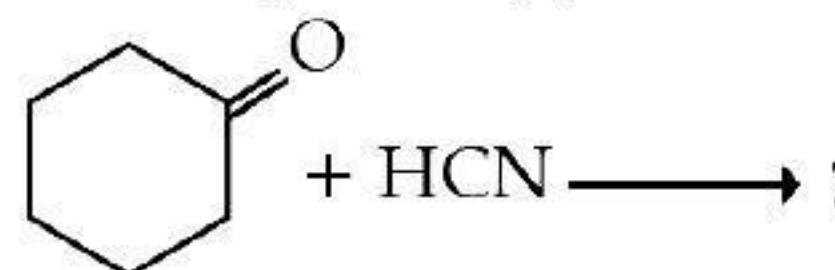
- (A) Ketones with no α -hydrogen
(B) Aldehydes with α -hydrogen
(C) Carboxylic acids with α -hydrogen
(D) Aldehydes with no α -hydrogen

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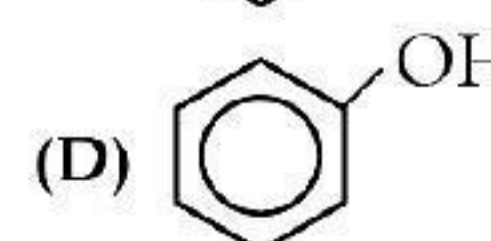
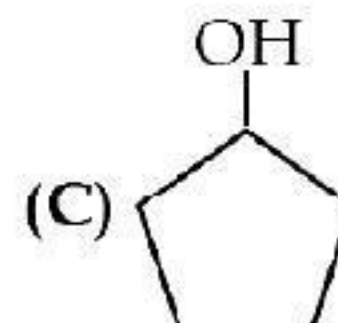
Ans. Option (D) is correct.

Explanation: Aldehydes with no α -hydrogen undergo Cannizzaro reaction.

Q. 4. Write the product(s) in the following reactions:



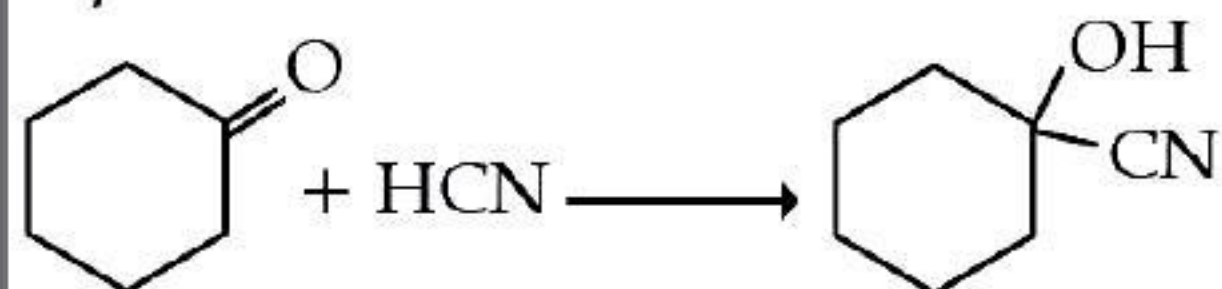
- (A) No product formed (B)



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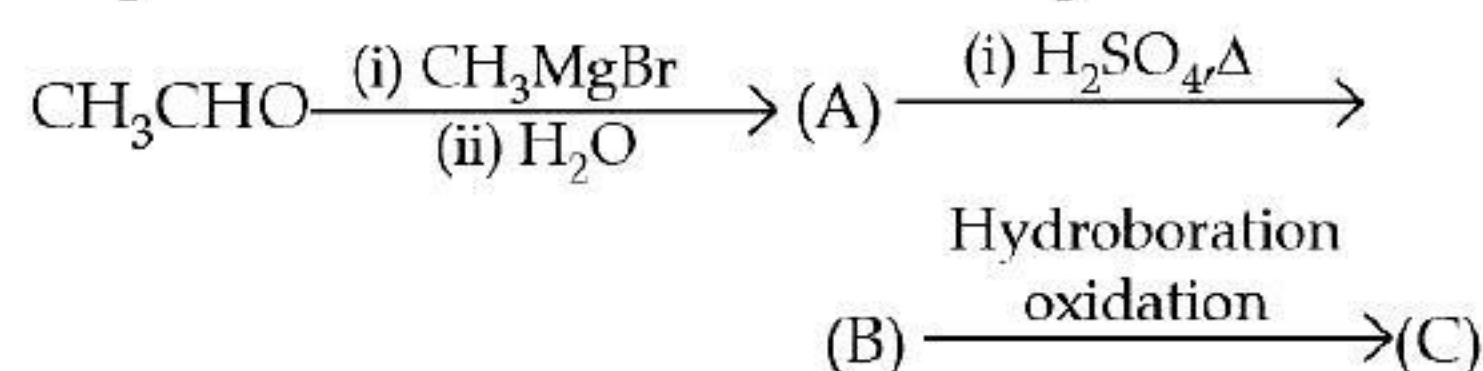
Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation:



It is a nucleophilic addition reaction.

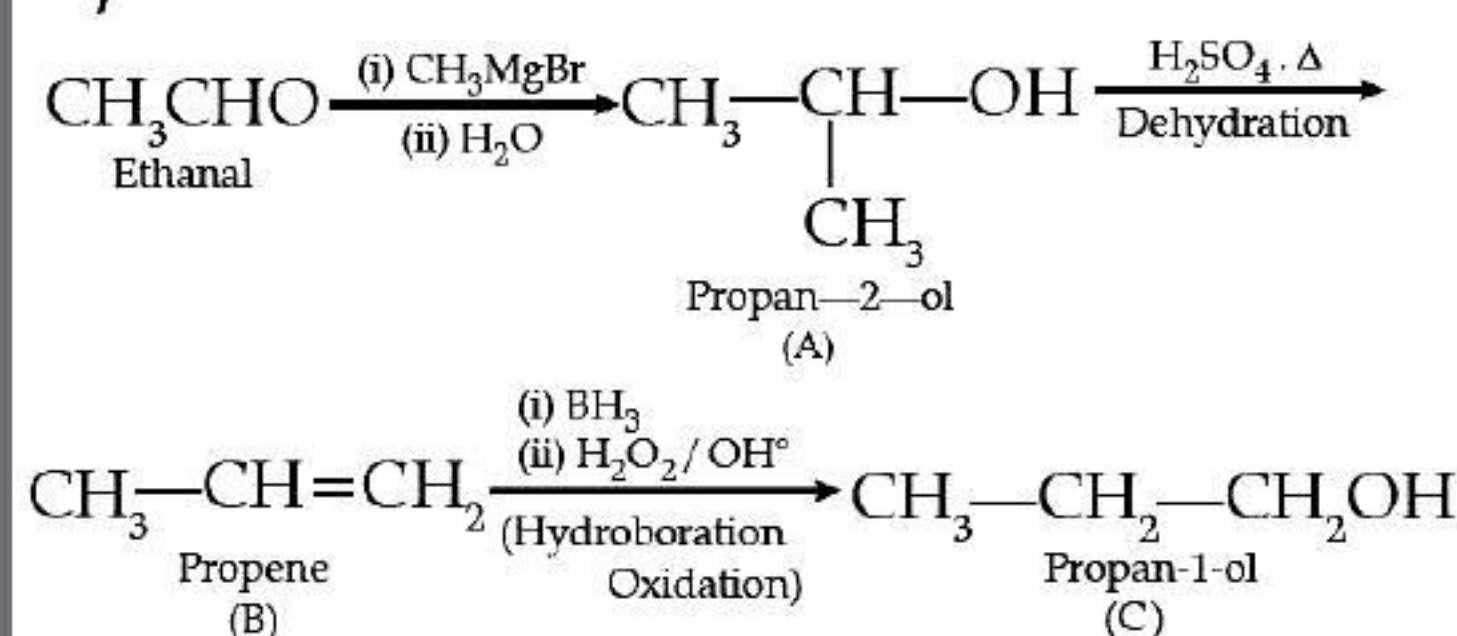
Q. 5. Compounds A and C in the following reaction are



- (A) identical (B) positional isomers
(C) functional isomers (D) optical isomers **[A]**

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation:



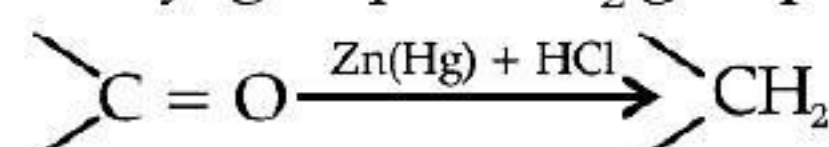
In compound A and C, position of -OH group is changed. So, these are positional isomers.

Q. 6. In Clemmensen reduction carbonyl compound is treated with _____.

- (A) zinc amalgam + HCl
(B) sodium amalgam + HCl
(C) zinc amalgam + nitric acid
(D) sodium amalgam + HNO₃ **[R]**

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

Explanation: Clemmensen reduction is used to convert carbonyl group to CH₂ group as follows:

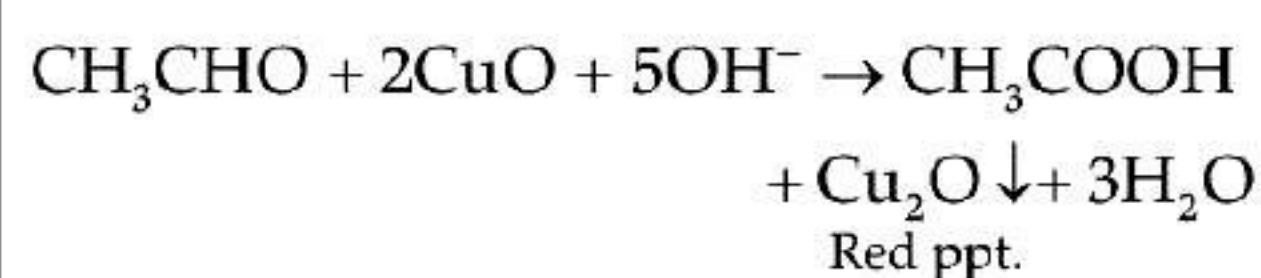


Q. 7. The reagent which does not react with both, acetaldehyde and benzaldehyde.

- (A) Sodium hydrogen sulphite
(B) Phenyl hydrazine
(C) Fehling's solution
(D) Grignard reagent **[R]**

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: Aliphatic aldehydes (acetaldehyde) reduce the Fehling's solution to red cuprous oxide.



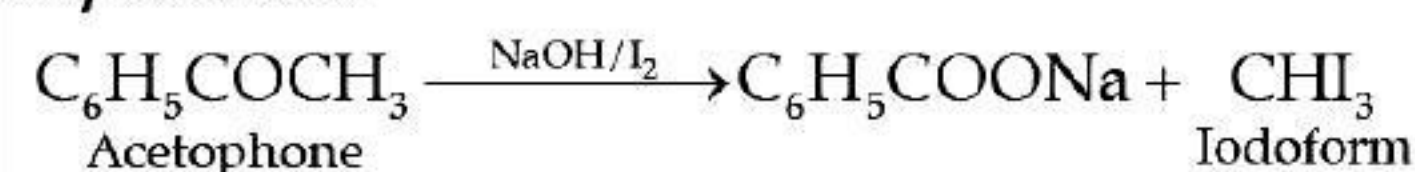
Aromatic aldehydes (benzaldehyde) do not react with Fehling's solution.

Q. 8. $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5-\text{CO}-\text{CH}_3 \xrightarrow{\text{NaOH/I}_2} ? + ?$

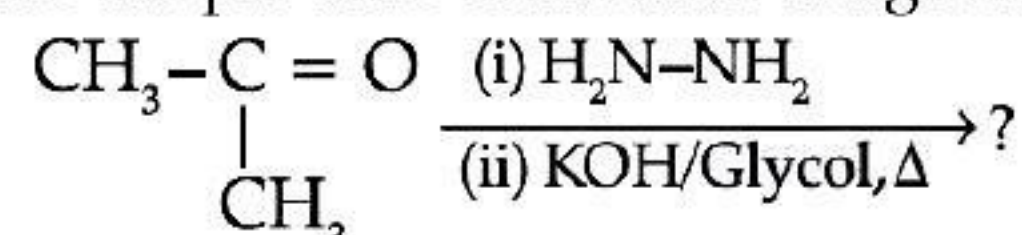
- (A) $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{COOH} + \text{CH}_4$
(B) $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{COONa} + \text{CHI}_3$
(C) $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6 + \text{CH}_3\text{COONa} + \text{HI}$
(D) $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$ **[R]**

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation:



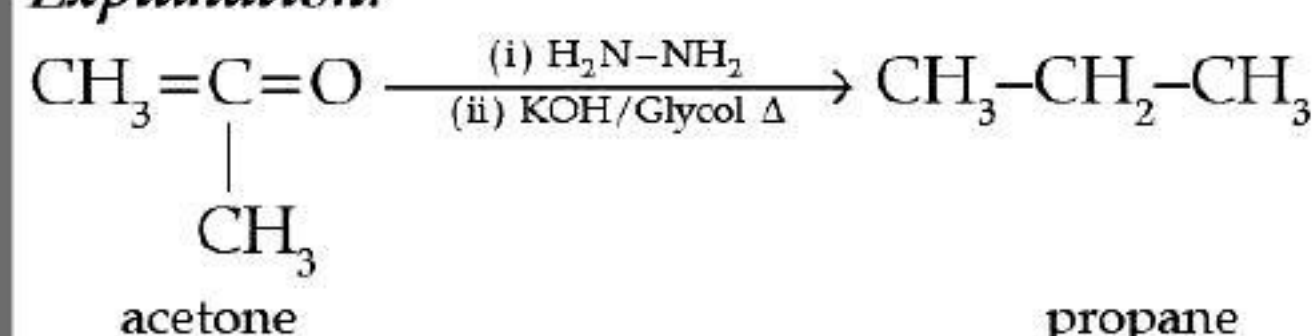
Q. 9. Predict the product of the following reaction:



- (A) $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ (B) $\text{CH}_3\text{CHOHCH}_3$
(C) $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CHO}$ (D) $\text{CH}_3\text{CONHCH}_3$ **[R]**

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

Explanation:



It is a Wolff-Kishner reduction which converts $>\text{C}=\text{O}$ group into $-\text{CH}_2-$ group.

Q. 10. Which of the following compounds is most reactive towards nucleophilic addition reactions?

- (A) $\text{CH}_3-\overset{\text{O}}{\underset{\text{||}}{\text{C}}}-\text{H}$ (B) $\text{CH}_3-\overset{\text{O}}{\underset{\text{||}}{\text{C}}}-\text{CH}_3$
(C) $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5-\overset{\text{O}}{\underset{\text{||}}{\text{C}}}-\text{H}$ (D) $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5-\overset{\text{O}}{\underset{\text{||}}{\text{C}}}-\text{CH}_3$ **[U]**

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

Explanation: Methyl benzaldehyde < Benzaldehyde < Propanone < Ethanal – reactivity towards nucleophilic substitution.

Aldehydes are more reactive than aliphatic ketones. Aliphatic ketones are more reactive than aromatic ketones.

The +I effect is more in ketone than in aldehyde. Thus ketone will be least reactive in nucleophilic addition reactions. The presence of electron withdrawing group increases the reactivity towards the addition while the presence of electron donating group decreases the reactivity of compound towards nucleophilic addition.

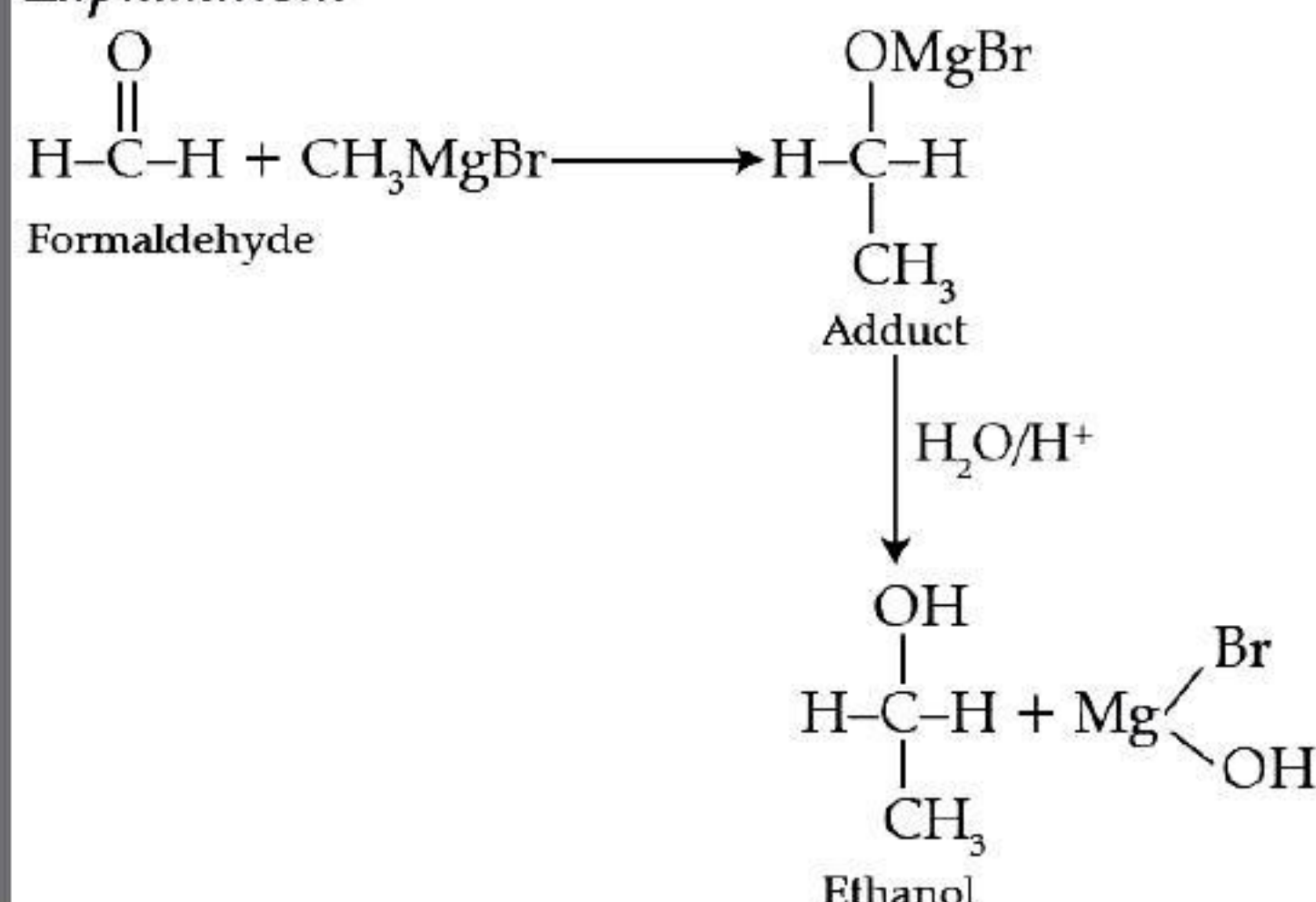
Benzaldehyde does not favour nucleophilic addition reaction due to resonance stabilisation.

Q. 11. Formaldehyde reacts with methyl magnesium bromide followed by hydrolysis to form.

- (A) Methanol (B) Ethanol
(C) Propanol (D) Butanol **[R]**

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

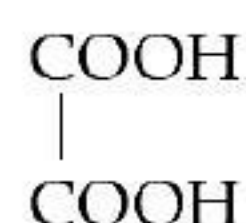
Explanation:



- Q. 12.** Common name of Ethane-1,2-dioic acid is known as
 (A) Oxalic acid (B) Phthalic acid
 (C) Adipic acid (D) Acetic acid R

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

Explanation: Structural formula of Ethane-1, 2 dioic acid is



\therefore It is oxalic acid.

- Q. 13.** The carboxylic acid that does not undergo HVZ reaction is
 (A) CH_3COOH
 (B) $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{COOH}$
 (C) $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$
 (D) $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{CCOOH}$ A

Ans. Option (D) is correct.

Explanation: The carboxylic acids having α -hydrogen atom undergo HVZ reaction. Since $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{C} \cdot \text{COOH}$ does not contain α -H-atom; so, it does not undergo HVZ reaction.

- Q. 14.** Which of the following acids does not form anhydride?
 (A) Formic acid (B) Acetic acid
 (C) Propionic acid (D) n-butyric acid A

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

Explanation: Formic acid (HCOOH) does not form anhydride because it does not contain α -C-atom.

- Q. 15.** Which of the following is the strongest acid?
 (A) Acetic acid (B) Phenol
 (C) Methyl alcohol (D) Water U

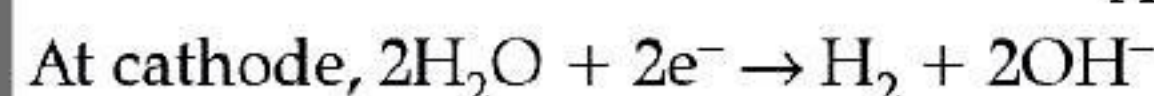
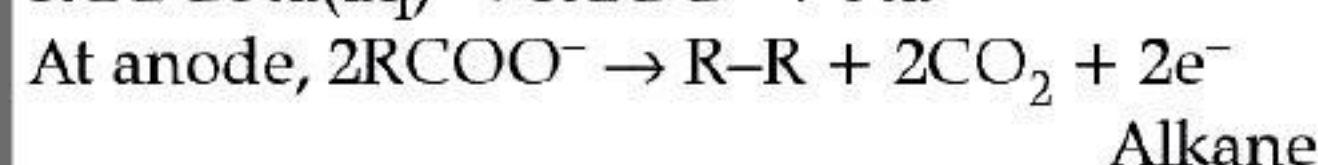
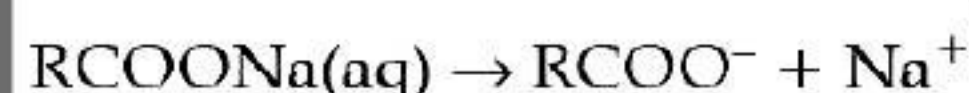
Ans. Option (A) is correct.

Explanation: Acetic acid is the strongest acid because it loses H^+ ion to form carboxylic ion (CH_3COO^-) which gets stabilised by resonance.

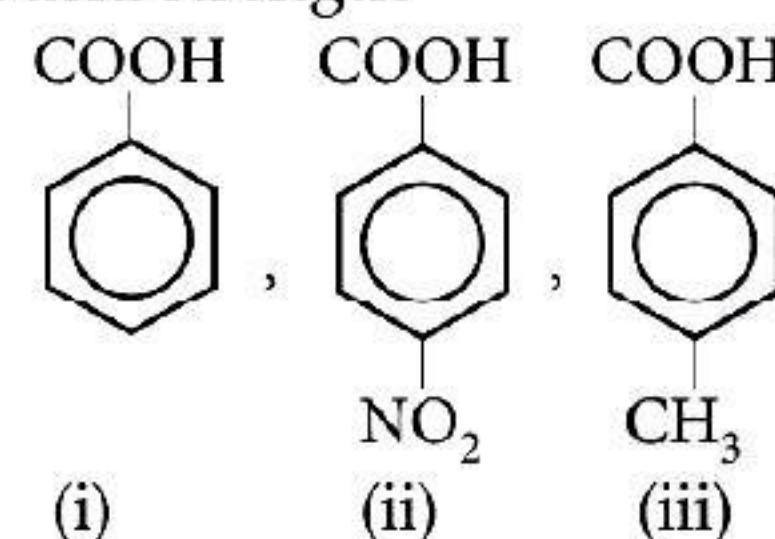
- Q. 16.** The reaction in which the aqueous solution of sodium salt of carboxylic acids on electrolysis give alkanes:
 (A) Soda lime decarboxylation
 (B) Kolbe's electrolysis decarboxylation
 (C) Dry distillation of calcium formate
 (D) Reduction of carboxylic acid. R

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation: It is Kolbe's electrolytic decarboxylation.



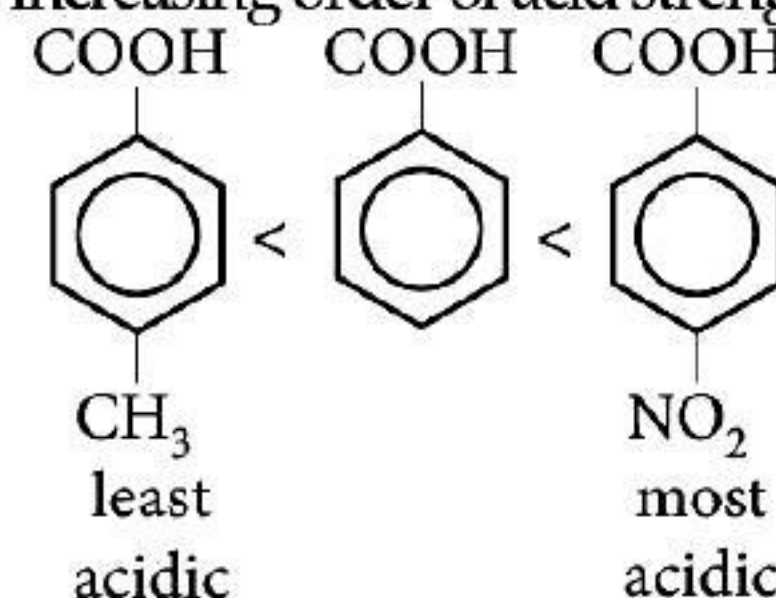
- Q. 17.** Arrange the following compounds in increasing order of acid strength



- (A) (i) > (ii) > (iii) (B) (ii) < (i) < (iii)
 (C) (iii) < (i) < (ii) (D) (iii) > (i) > (ii)

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: The electron withdrawing group ($-\text{NO}_2$) increases the acid strength of aromatic acids while electron releasing group ($-\text{CH}_3$) decreases the acid strength of aromatic acids. Hence, the increasing order of acid strength is given as



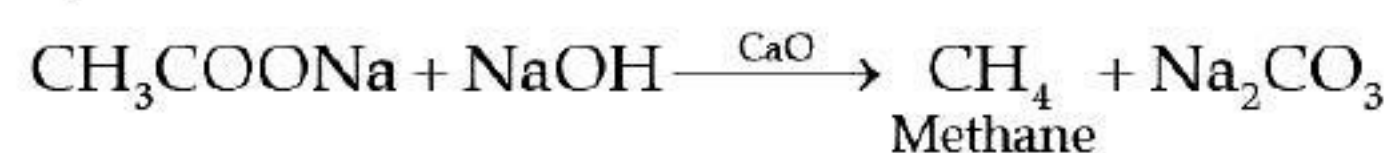
- Q. 18.** Complete the following reaction:



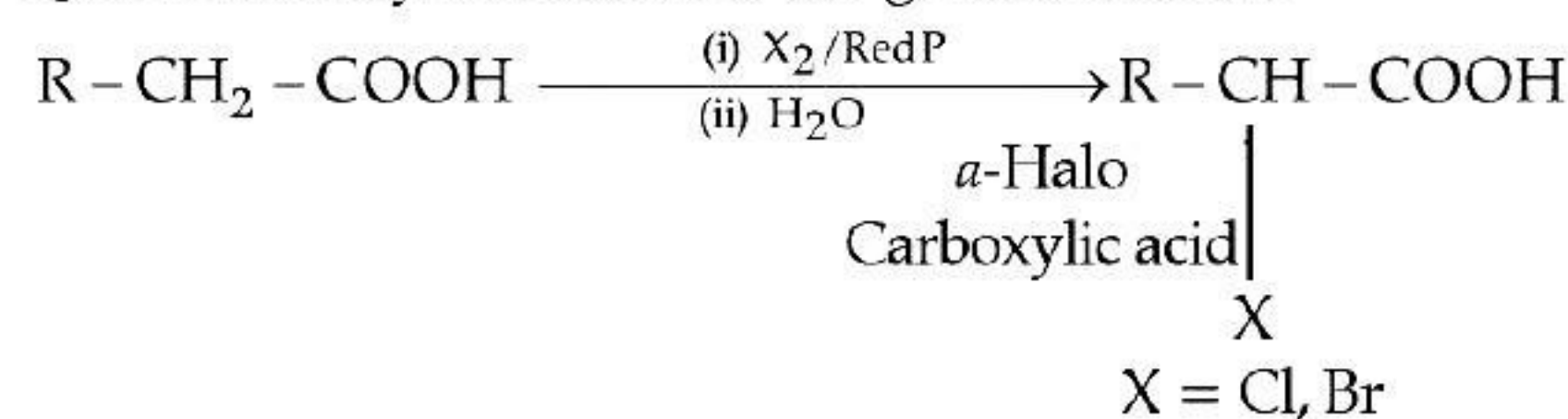
- (A) $\text{CH}_3\text{COONa} + \text{NaOH} \xrightarrow{\text{CaO}} \text{CH}_3\text{COOH} + \text{NaOH}$
 (B) $\text{CH}_3\text{COONa} + \text{NaOH} \xrightarrow{\text{CaO}} \text{CH}_3\text{COOH} + \text{Ca(OH)}_2$
 (C) $\text{CH}_3\text{COONa} + \text{NaOH} \xrightarrow{\text{CaO}} \text{CH}_4 + \text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$
 (D) $\text{CH}_3\text{COONa} + \text{NaOH} \xrightarrow{\text{CaO}} \text{CH}_3\text{COOCa} + \text{NaOH}$

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation:



- Q. 19.** Identify the name of the given reaction:



- (A) Etard reaction
 (B) Hell-Volhard-Zelinsky reaction
 (C) Stephen reaction (D) None of the above

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation: Hell-Volhard-Zelinsky reaction.



ASSERTION AND REASON BASED MCQs

[1 Mark each]

Directions: In the following questions, A statement of Assertion (A) is followed by a statement of Reason (R). Mark the correct choice as.

- (A) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (B) Both A and R are true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (C) A is true but R is false
 (D) A is false and R is true

[AI] Q.1. Assertion (A): Oxidation of ketones is easier than aldehydes.

Reason (R): C–C bond of ketones is stronger than C–H bond of aldehydes.

[CBSE Delhi Set-I 2020]

Ans. Option (D) is correct.

Explanation: Oxidation of aldehydes are easier than ketones.

[AI] Q. 2. Assertion (A): Benzaldehyde is less reactive than ethanal towards nucleophilic addition reactions.

Reason (R): Ethanal is more sterically hindered.

[CBSE Delhi Set-III 2020]

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation: The carbon atom of the carbonyl group of benzaldehyde is less electrophilic than carbon atom of carbonyl group present in ethanal. The polarity of the carbonyl group is reduced in benzaldehyde due to resonance hence it is less reactive than ethanal towards nucleophilic addition reaction.

Q. 3. Assertion (A): Aromatic aldehydes and formaldehyde undergo Cannizzaro reaction.

Reason (R): Aromatic aldehydes are almost as reactive as formaldehyde. [U]

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: Aromatic aldehydes and formaldehyde do not contain α -hydrogen and thus undergo Cannizzaro reaction. Formaldehyde is more reactive than aromatic aldehydes.

Q. 4. Assertion (A): Aldehydes and ketones, both react with Tollen's reagent to form silver mirror.

Reason (R): Both aldehydes and ketones contain a carbonyl group. [R]

Ans. Option (D) is correct.

Explanation: Both aldehydes and ketones have carbonyl group but only aldehydes react with Tollens' reagent to give silver mirror.

[AI] Q. 5. Assertion (A): Benzoic acid does not undergo Friedel-Craft's reaction.

Reaction (R): The carboxyl group is activating and undergo electrophilic substitution reaction.

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Ans. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: The carboxyl group ($-\text{COOH}$) is deactivating group because it is electron withdrawing group. It decreases the electron density at benzene ring, hence deactivates it towards electrophilic substitution reactions.

Q. 6. Assertion (A): Compounds containing $-\text{CHO}$ group are easily oxidised to corresponding carboxylic acids.

Reason (R): Carboxylic acids can be reduced to alcohols by treatment with LiAlH_4 .

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation: Compounds containing $-\text{CHO}$ group are easily oxidised to corresponding carboxylic acids.

Q. 7. Assertion (A): Aromatic carboxylic groups do not undergo Friedel-Crafts reaction.

Reason (R): Carboxyl group is deactivating and the catalyst aluminium chloride gets bonded to the carboxyl group.

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

Explanation: Aromatic carboxylic groups do not undergo Friedel-Crafts reaction because Carboxyl group is deactivating and the catalyst aluminium chloride gets bonded to the carboxyl group.

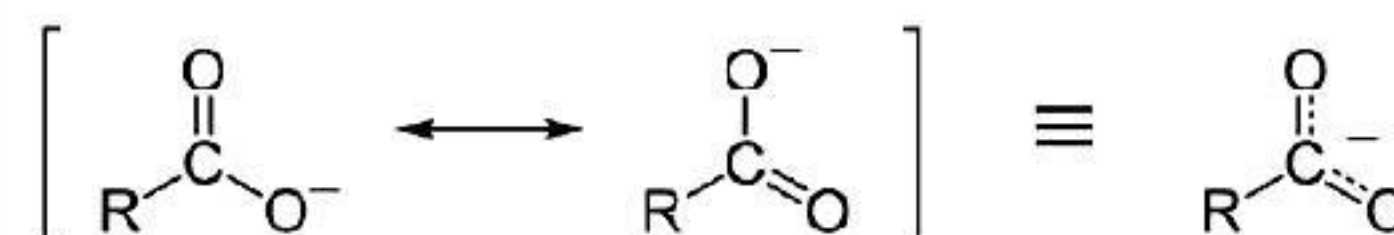
Q. 8. Assertion (A): Carboxylic acids are more acidic than phenols.

Reason (R): Phenols are ortho and para directing.

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Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation: Carboxylic acids are more acidic than phenols as the carboxylate ion, the conjugate base of carboxylic acid is stabilized by two equivalent resonance structures. Thus, the negative charge is delocalized effectively. However, in phenols, negative charge is less effectively delocalized over oxygen atom and carbon atoms in phenoxide ion.



CASE-BASED MCQs

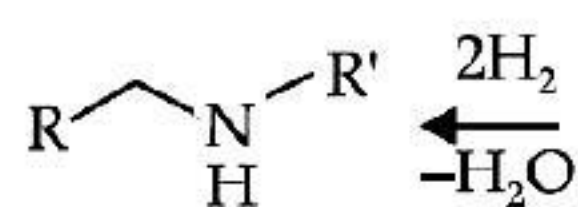
I. Read the passage given below and answer the following questions:

Reduction of carboxylic acids and their derivatives plays an important role in organic synthesis, in both laboratory and industrial processes. Traditionally, the reduction is performed using stoichiometric

amounts of hydride reagents, generating stoichiometric amounts of waste. A much more attractive, atom-economical approach is a catalytic reaction using H_2 ; however, hydrogenation of carboxylic acid derivatives under mild conditions is a very challenging task, with amides presenting

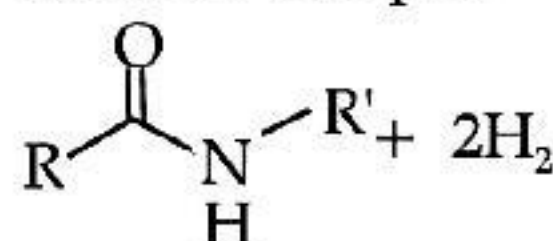
the highest challenge among all classes of carbonyl compounds. Very few examples of the important hydrogenation of amides to amines, in which the C-O bond is cleaved with the liberation of water (Scheme 1), were reported. C-O cleavage of amides can also be affected with silanes as reducing agents. (Generation of amides to the with cleavage of the C-N products of C-O cleavage the case of anilides). The and neutral, homogeneous

Scheme 1. General Scheme
C-O cleavage



We have now prepared the new, dearomatized, bipyridine-based pincer complex 3, catalyst 3 (Here referred as Cat. 3). Remarkably, it efficiently catalyzes the selective hydrogenation of amides to form amines and alcohols (eq 1). The reaction proceeds under mild pressure and neutral conditions, with no additives being required. Since the reaction proceeds well under anhydrous conditions, hydrolytic cleavage of the amide is not involved in this process.

been reported.6 Amines and chemical, pharmaceutical and ch a reaction is conceptually step in amide hydrogenation bonvl group to form a very anhydrous condition involved in this pro



In the following questions, a statement of assertion followed by a statement of reason is given. Choose the correct answer out of the following choices on the basis of the above passage.

- (A) Assertion and reason both are correct statements and reason is correct explanation for assertion.
- (B) Assertion and reason both are correct statements but reason is not correct explanation for assertion.
- (C) Assertion is correct statement but reason is wrong statement.
- (D) Assertion is wrong statement but reason is correct statement.

Q. 1. Assertion (A): The use of catalyst 3 is an efficient method of preparation of primary amines

Reason (R): Use of catalyst 3 is a step down reaction.

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Q. 2. Assertion (A): Use of hydride catalyst or hydrogen brings about cleavage of C-O bond in amides.

Reason (R): Hydride catalyst or hydrogen cause to reduction of amides.

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Q. 3. Assertion (A): N-methyl ethanamide on reaction with catalyst 3 will yield ethanol and methanamine.

Reason (R): Use of Catalyst 3 brings about cleavage of C-N bond of amides

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

Q. 4. Assertion (A): Aniline can be prepared from suitable amide using catalyst 3

Reason (R): The use of catalyst 3 is limited to aliphatic amides only.

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

II. Read the passage given below and answer the following questions:

Aldehydes, ketones and carboxylic acids are few of the major classes of organic compounds containing carbonyl group. Aldehydes are prepared by dehydrogenation or controlled oxidation of primary alcohols and controlled or selective reduction of acyl halides. Ketones are prepared by oxidation of secondary alcohols and hydration of alkynes. Carboxylic acids are prepared by the oxidation of primary alcohols, aldehydes and alkenes by hydrolysis of nitriles and by treatment of Grignard reagents with carbon dioxide.

Q. 1. Name a method by which both aldehydes and ketones can be prepared.

- (A) Reduction of carboxylic acids
- (B) Ozonolysis of alkenes
- (C) Oxidation of alcohols
- (D) All of the above

Ans. Option (D) is correct.

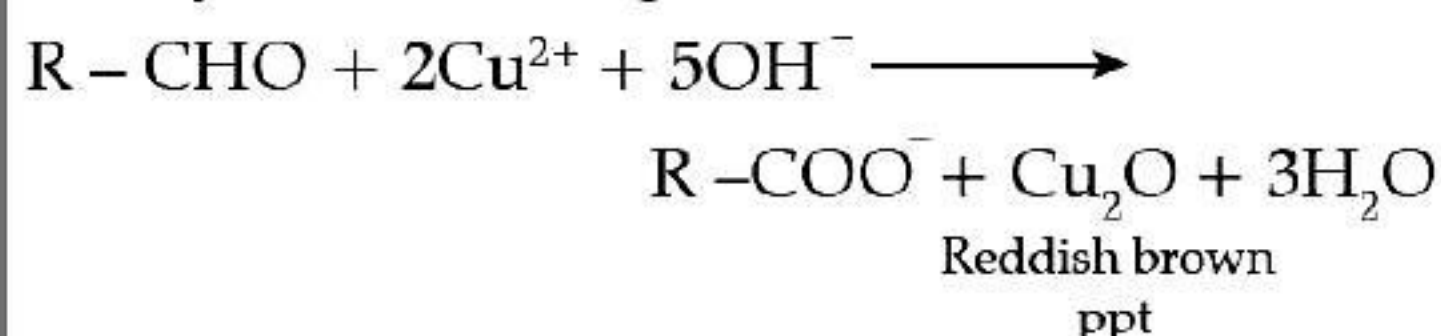
Explanation: Both aldehydes and ketones can be prepared by all these methods.

Q. 2. How will you distinguish between aliphatic aldehydes and aromatic aldehydes ?

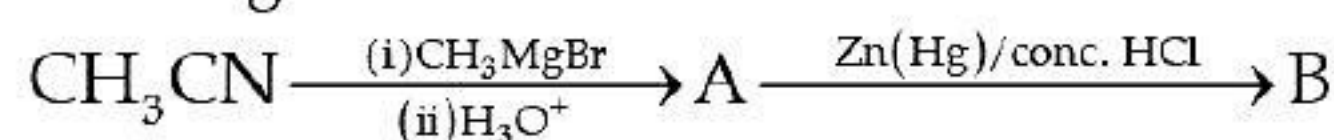
- (A) Fehling's test
- (B) Benedict's test
- (C) Iodoform test
- (D) Hinsberg reagent

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

Explanation: On heating an aldehyde with Fehling's reagent, a reddish brown precipitate is obtained. Aldehydes are oxidised to corresponding carboxylate anion. Aromatic aldehydes do not respond to this test.



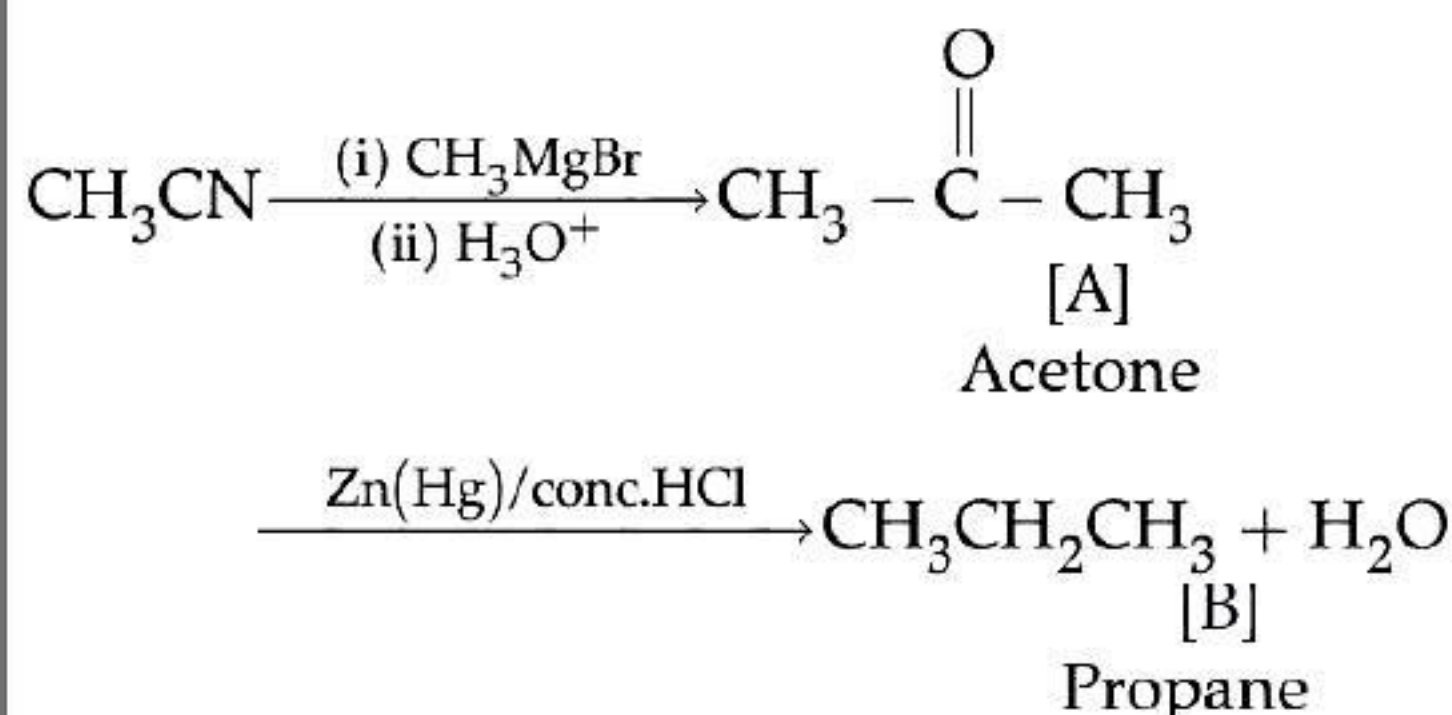
Q. 3. Name the main compounds A and B formed in the following reaction:



- (A) $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$ [A], $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ [B]
- (B) $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CHO}$ [A], C_2H_4 [B]
- (C) CH_3COCH_3 [A], $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ [B]
- (D) CH_3COCH_3 [A], C_2H_6 [B]

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation:



Q. 4. The reagent which does not react with both, acetone and benzaldehyde.

- Ans. Option (D) is correct.**