

1. Circle the correct answer: (40 pts)

(1) Benzyl bromide can undergo:

- a. S_N1 reaction more easily than S_N2 reaction.
- b. S_N2 reaction more easily than S_N1 reaction.
- c. either S_N1 or S_N2 reaction depending on the reaction condition.
- d. neither S_N1 nor S_N2 reaction under any conditions.

(2) A Diels-Alder reaction leads to the formation of

- a. one new σ bond.
- b. two new σ bonds
- c. three new σ bond.
- d. four new σ bonds

(3) In a Lewis structure, two double bonds or triple bonds are said to be in conjugation when they are separated by

- a. no other bonds.
- b. a single bond.
- c. a double bond.
- d. a triple bond.

(4) The electrophilic addition of H-X to a conjugated diene involves an intermediate that is

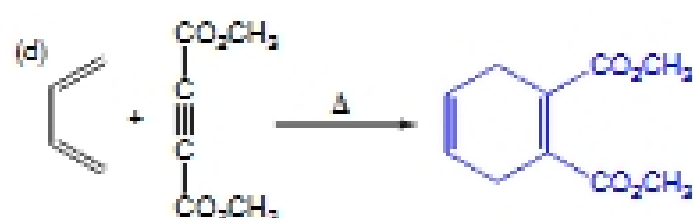
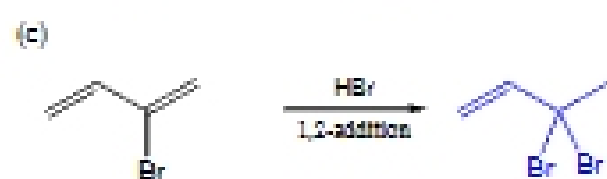
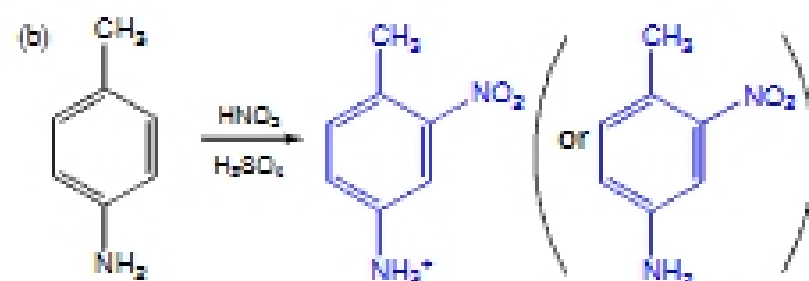
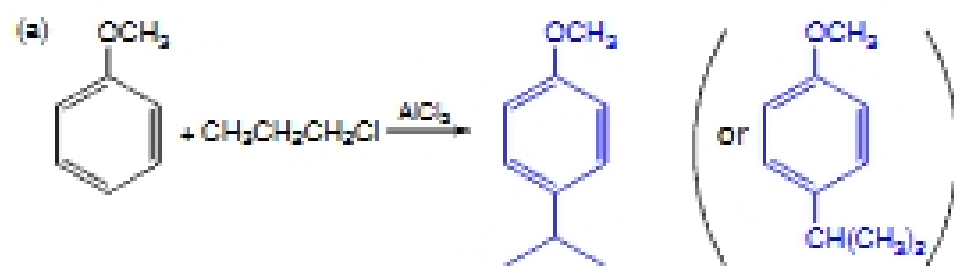
- a. a secondary carbocation.
- b. a tertiary carbocation
- c. a resonance stabilized allylic cation.
- d. a radical.

(5) Which of the following is an INCORRECT description of benzene?

- a. All the bond angles are equal to 120° .
- b. The molecule is always planar.
- c. The molecule is a 6-membered ring containing alternating single and double carbon-carbon bonds.
- d. The molecule is aromatic

- (6) Aromatic molecules contain at least _____ π electrons.
- a. 0
 - b. 1
 - c. 2
 - d. 3
 - e. 4
- (7) The $-\text{NO}_2$ group deactivates the benzene ring of nitrobenzene toward electrophilic aromatic substitution by
- a. changing the distribution of π electrons.
 - b. polarizing the benzene ring.
 - c. only activating the *meta* positions.
 - d. deactivating all positions on the ring.
- (8) In an electrophilic aromatic substitution reaction, the sigma complex is stabilized when a _____ is attached to the aromatic ring.
- a. a hydrogen atom
 - A. a nitrogen atom
 - c. an electron-donating group
 - d. an electron-withdrawing group
- (9) Halogens direct electrophiles to the *ortho* and *para* positions of a halobenzene because of
- a. donation of nonbonding electrons to the ring through resonance.
 - b. removal of ring electrons through resonance.
 - c. removal of ring electrons because of halogen's electronegativity.
 - d. inductive effect.
- (10) In Friedel-Crafts alkylation, the resultant alkylbenzene product is
- a. less reactive than benzene.
 - b. more reactive than benzene.
 - c. as reactive as benzene.
 - d. completely deactivated.

2. Provide the structure of the major (or only) product in each of the reactions shown below. (12 pts. 3pts/each)



3. What dienes and dienophiles would react to give the products below? (12 pts)

