

Q1. There are many uses of halogenated organic compounds despite environmental concerns.

- (a) Bromotrifluoromethane is used in fire extinguishers in aircraft.
Bromotrifluoromethane is formed when trifluoromethane reacts with bromine.



The reaction is a free-radical substitution reaction similar to the reaction of methane with chlorine.

- (i) Write an equation for each of the following steps in the mechanism for the reaction of CHF_3 with Br_2

Initiation step

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First propagation step

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Second propagation step

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A termination step

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- (ii) State **one** condition necessary for the initiation of this reaction.

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- (b) Bromine-containing and chlorine-containing organic compounds may have a role in the decomposition of ozone in the upper atmosphere.

- (i) Draw an appropriate **displayed formula** in the space provided to complete the following equation to show how CBrF_3 may produce bromine atoms in the upper atmosphere.



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- (ii) In the upper atmosphere, it is more likely for CBrF_3 to produce bromine atoms than it is for CClF_3 to produce chlorine atoms.

Suggest **one** reason for this.

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(iii) Bromine atoms have a similar role to chlorine atoms in the decomposition of ozone.

The overall equation for the decomposition of ozone is



Write **two** equations to show how bromine atoms ($\text{Br}\cdot$) act as a catalyst in the decomposition of ozone.

Explain how these two decomposition equations show that bromine atoms behave as a catalyst.

Equation 1

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Equation 2

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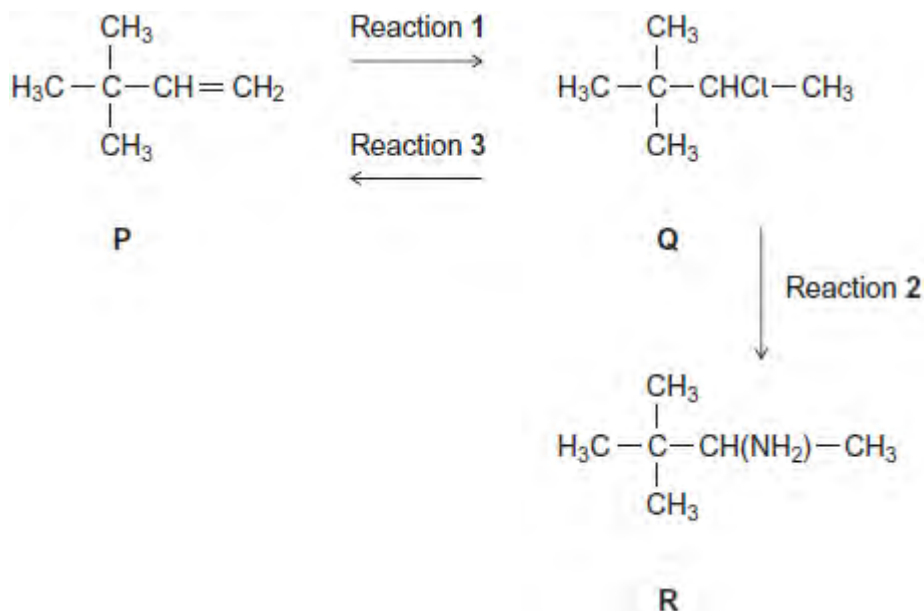
Explanation

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Q2. Consider the following scheme of reactions.



- (a) Give the IUPAC name for compound **P** and that for compound **Q**.

P

Q

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- (b) The conversion of **P** into **Q** in Reaction 1 uses HCl

Name and outline a mechanism for this reaction.

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- (c) The conversion of **Q** into **R** in Reaction 2 uses NH₃

Name and outline a mechanism for this reaction.

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- (d) State the type of reaction shown by Reaction 3.

Identify a reagent for this reaction.

Give **one** condition necessary for a high yield of product when **Q** is converted into **P**.

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- (e) Hydrogen bromide (HBr) could be used in the overall conversion of **P** into **R**, instead of using HCl
Hydrogen bromide is made by the reaction of NaBr with concentrated phosphoric acid.
Concentrated sulfuric acid is **not** used to make HBr from NaBr

Write an equation for the reaction of NaBr with H_3PO_4 to produce HBr and Na_3PO_4 only.

Identify **two** toxic gases that are formed, together with HBr, when NaBr reacts with concentrated H_2SO_4

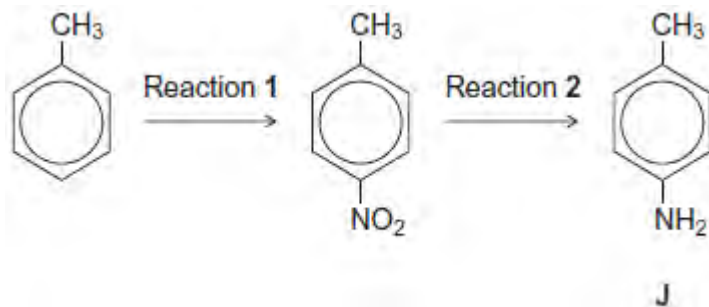
State the role of H_2SO_4 in the formation of these two toxic gases.

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Q3. Consider the following reaction sequence starting from methylbenzene.



- (a) Name the type of mechanism for reaction 1.

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- (b) Compound **J** is formed by reduction in reaction 2.

- (i) Give a reducing agent for this reaction.

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- (ii) Write an equation for this reaction. Use [H] to represent the reducing agent.

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- (iii) Give a use for **J**.

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- (c) Outline a mechanism for the reaction of bromomethane with an excess of compound **J**.
You should represent **J** as RNH_2 in the mechanism.

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- (d) Compound **K** ($\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$) is a structural isomer of **J**.

Explain why **J** is a weaker base than **K**.

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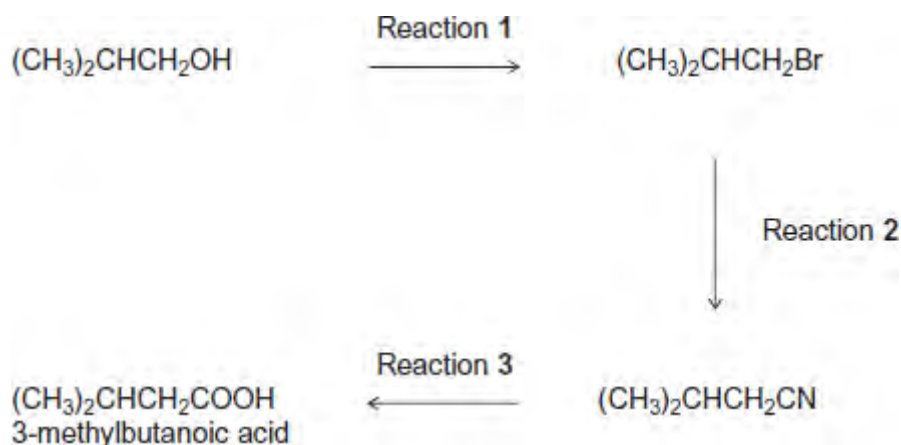
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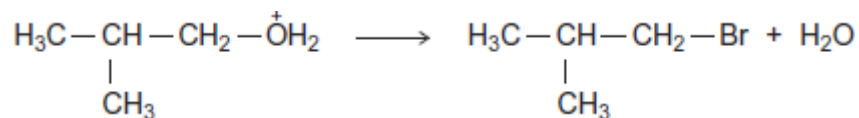
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Q4. The carboxylic acid 3-methylbutanoic acid is used to make esters for perfumes. The following scheme shows some of the reactions in the manufacture of this carboxylic acid.



- (a) One of the steps in the mechanism for Reaction 1 involves the replacement of the functional group by bromine.
- (i) Use your knowledge of organic reaction mechanisms to complete the mechanism for this step by drawing **two** curly arrows on the following equation.

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(ii) Deduce the name of the mechanism in part (i).

Give the IUPAC name of $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CHCH}_2\text{Br}$

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(b) Reaction 3 is an acid-catalysed reaction in which water is used to break chemical bonds when the CN functional group is converted into the COOH functional group. Infrared spectroscopy can be used to distinguish between the compounds in this reaction.

Deduce the name of the type of reaction that occurs in Reaction 3.

Identify **one** bond in $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CHCH}_2\text{CN}$ and a **different** bond in $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CHCH}_2\text{COOH}$ that can be used with infrared spectroscopy to distinguish between each compound. For each of these bonds, give the range of wavenumbers at which the bond absorbs.

Use **Table A** on the Data Sheet when answering this question.

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(c) When 3-methylbutanoic acid reacts with ethanol in the presence of an acid catalyst, an equilibrium is established. The organic product is a pleasant-smelling ester.



The carboxylic acid is very expensive and ethanol is inexpensive. In the manufacture of this ester, the mole ratio of carboxylic acid to ethanol used is 1 to 10 rather than 1 to 1.

- (i) Use Le Chatelier's principle to explain why a 1 to 10 mole ratio is used. In your explanation, you should **not** refer to cost.

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- (ii) Explain how a catalyst increases the rate of a reaction.

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