

## **HL** Questions on Synthetic routes

1. Starting with 2-methylpropane deduce a synthetic pathway to make 2-methylpropanoic acid.

 $CH_3CH(CH_3)CH_3 \rightarrow CH_3CH(CH_3)COOH$ 

For each step specify the reagents and any necessary conditions and write an equation for each step.

2. Design a synthetic route to make butanone starting with but-1-ene.

 $CH_3CH_2CHCH_2 \rightarrow CH_3CH_2COCH_3$ 

Knowing that the first step involves the addition of hydrogen bromide to but-1-ene state the name of the mechanism for the first two steps.

**3.** You are provided with ethanal and any inorganic reagents and laboratory equipment you require but no other organic compounds.

Design a method to synthesise ethyl ethanoate from ethanal.

 $\mathsf{CH}_3\mathsf{CHO} \ \rightarrow \ \mathsf{CH}_3\mathsf{COOC}_2\mathsf{H}_5$ 

For each step specify the reagents and any necessary conditions.

- 4. Show how phenylamine can be synthesised from benzene.
- Propyl ethanoate is used as a solvent and has the characteristic smell of pears.
  Design a synthetic route to make propyl ethanoate starting from 1-chloropropane and chloroethane as the only organic compounds available.

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