Additional Problems for practice:

1. Draw a mechanism for the following transformations, using the curved arrow notation to indicate the reorganization of electron density. Show all intermediates, unshared electrons, formal charges and countercharges where appropriate. Explain why a racemic mixture is formed in (a):



a racemic mixture is formed because ethyllithium can attack from either face of the aldehyde carbonyl





2. Write the major product of each of the following reactions:

3. Devise four different syntheses of 2-methyl-2-hexanol starting with each of the following compounds:



Additional Problems for practice:

 Design a synthesis of the following racemic cyclopropane starting from acetylene, organic compounds containing three or fewer carbons, and any inorganic reagents necessary. Note with a star each step that creates a chiral product, explain why each starred step affords a racemic mixture. Retrosynthetically:



2. Outline a preparation of racemic disparlure from acetylene and any other compound containing not more than five carbon atoms. Note with a star each step that creates a chiral product, explain why each starred step affords a racemic mixture

Retrosynthetically:



3. Explain how you could accomplish the following isomerization in a three-step sequence:



unknown compound  $\xrightarrow{\text{KMnO}_4, \text{ conc}}_{\text{KOH}}$   $\xrightarrow{\text{COOH}}_{\text{HOOC}}$  + 1 mole  $\xrightarrow{\text{OH}}_{\text{H_3C}}$   $\xrightarrow{\text{OH}}_{\text{OH}}$  no CO<sub>2</sub> evident

No  $CO_2$  means no terminal alkene present; since there is only 1 mole of acetic acid given off but we have three carboxylic acids, there must be a ring in the original molecule



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1. Provide proper IUPAC names for the following:



4. How might you prepare the following compounds from acetylene and any needed alkyl halide?



3. How would you accomplish the following conversion (2 steps):



4. Assuming that  $H_2/Pd$  can reduce alkynes to alkanes, how would you synthesize the following compound starting with styrene, and using only the reagents  $Br_2$ , HBr/peroxides,  $NaNH_2$ , and  $H_2/Pd$ ? More than one step is needed.

