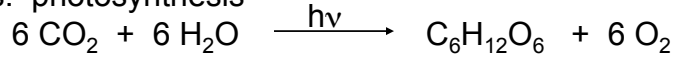


Chapter 23: Carbohydrates

hydrates of carbon: general formula $C_n(H_2O)_n$

Plants: photosynthesis



Polymers: large molecules made up of repeating smaller units (monomer)

Biopolymers:

carbohydrates (Chapter 23)
peptides and proteins (Chapter 25)
nucleic acids (Chapter 26)

Monomer units:
monosaccharides
amino acids
nucleotides

Synthetic Polymers (Chapter 27)

various

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23.1: Classification of Carbohydrates.

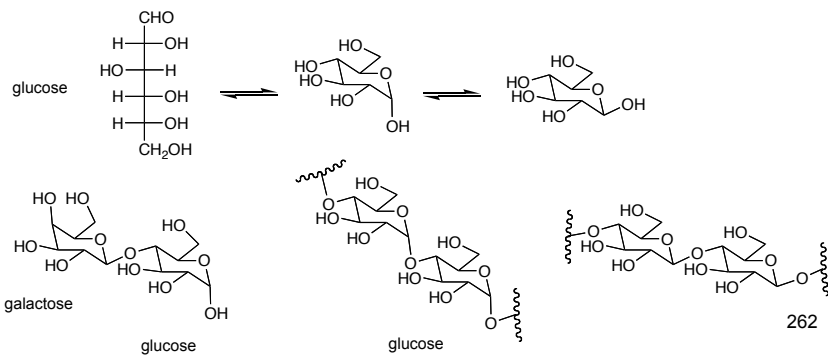
I. Number of carbohydrate units

monosaccharides: one carbohydrate unit
(simple carbohydrates)

disaccharides: two carbohydrate units
(complex carbohydrates)

trisaccharides: three carbohydrate units

polysaccharides (oligosaccharides): many carbohydrate units



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II. Position of carbonyl group

the carbonyl at C1 is an aldehyde: *aldose*

the carbonyl at any other carbon is a ketone: *ketose*

III. Number of carbons

three carbons: *triose*

six carbons: *hexose*

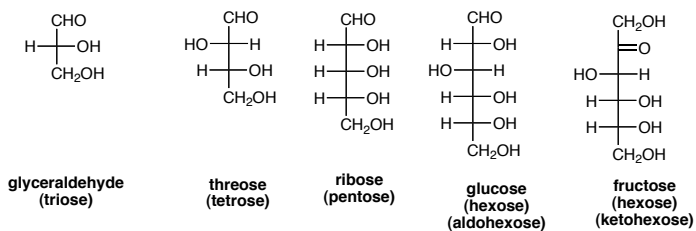
four carbons: *tetrose*

seven carbons: *heptose*

five carbons: *pentose*

etc.

IV. Cyclic form (Chapter 23.6 and 23.7)

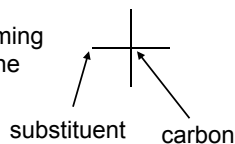


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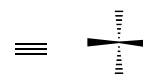
23.2: Fischer Projections and the D, L Notation.

Representation of a three-dimensional molecule as a flat structure (Ch. 7.7). Tetrahedral carbon represented by two crossed lines:

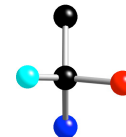
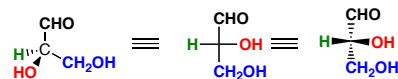
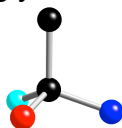
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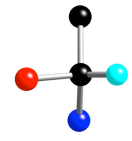
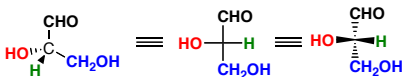
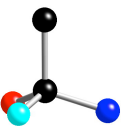
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(R)-(+)-glyceraldehyde

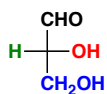


(S)-(-)-glyceraldehyde

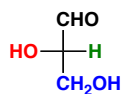


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before the *R/S* convention, stereochemistry was related to (+)-glyceraldehyde



D-glyceraldehyde
R-(+)-glyceraldehyde
 (+)-rotation = dextrorotatory = **d**



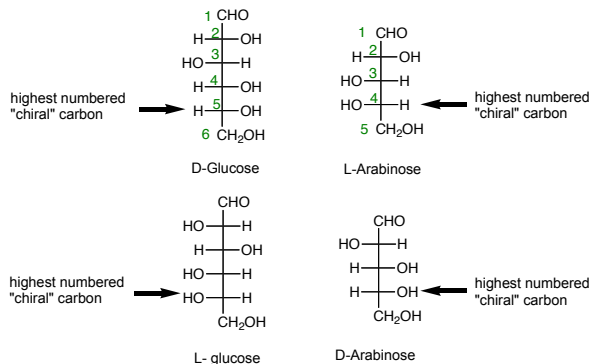
L-glyceraldehyde
S-(-)-glyceraldehyde
 (-)-rotation = levorotatory = **l**

D-carbohydrates have the -OH group of the highest numbered chiral carbon pointing to the right in the Fischer projection as in *R*-(+)-glyceraldehyde.

For carbohydrates, the convention is to arrange the Fischer projection with the carbonyl group at the top for aldoses and closest to the top for ketoses. The carbons are numbered from top to bottom.

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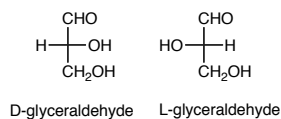
Carbohydrates are designated as D- or L- according to the stereochemistry of the highest numbered chiral carbon of the Fischer projection. If the hydroxyl group of the highest numbered chiral carbon is pointing to the right, the carbohydrate is designated as **D** (*Dextro*: Latin for *on the right side*). If the hydroxyl group is pointing to the left, the carbohydrate is designated as **L** (*Levo*: Latin for *on the left side*). Most naturally occurring carbohydrates are of the D-configuration.



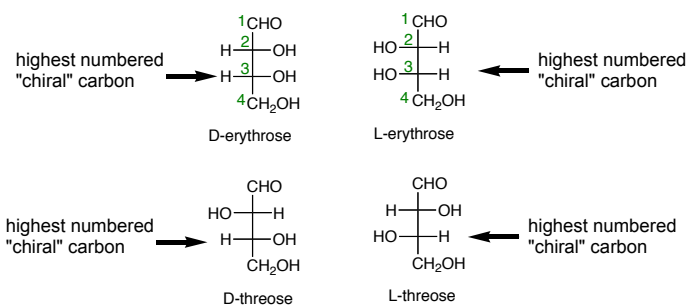
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23.3: The Aldotetroses. Glyceraldehyde is the simplest carbohydrate (C_3 , aldotriose, 2,3-dihydroxypropanal). The next carbohydrate are aldotetroses (C_4 , 2,3,4-trihydroxybutanal).

aldotriose



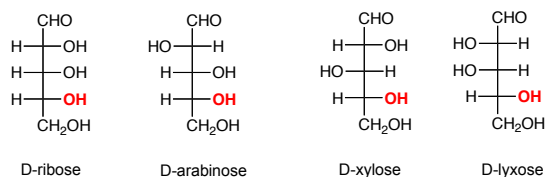
aldotetroses



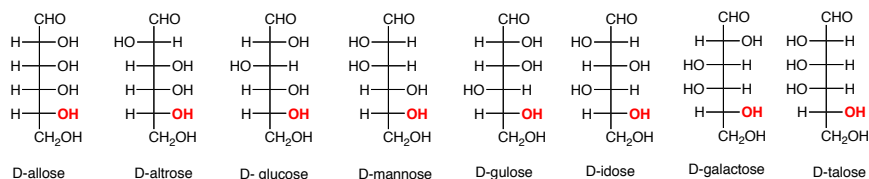
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23.4: Aldopentoses and Aldohexoses.

Aldopentoses: C_5 , three chiral carbons, eight stereoisomers



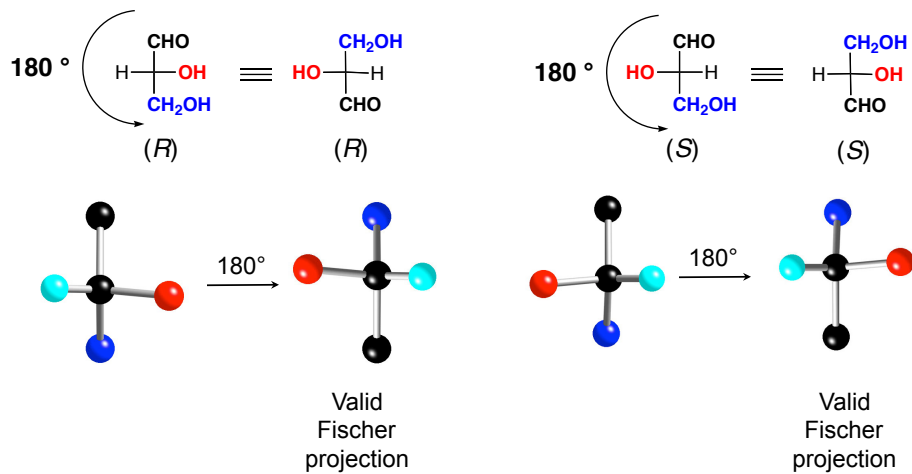
Aldohexoses: C_6 , four chiral carbons, sixteen stereoisomers



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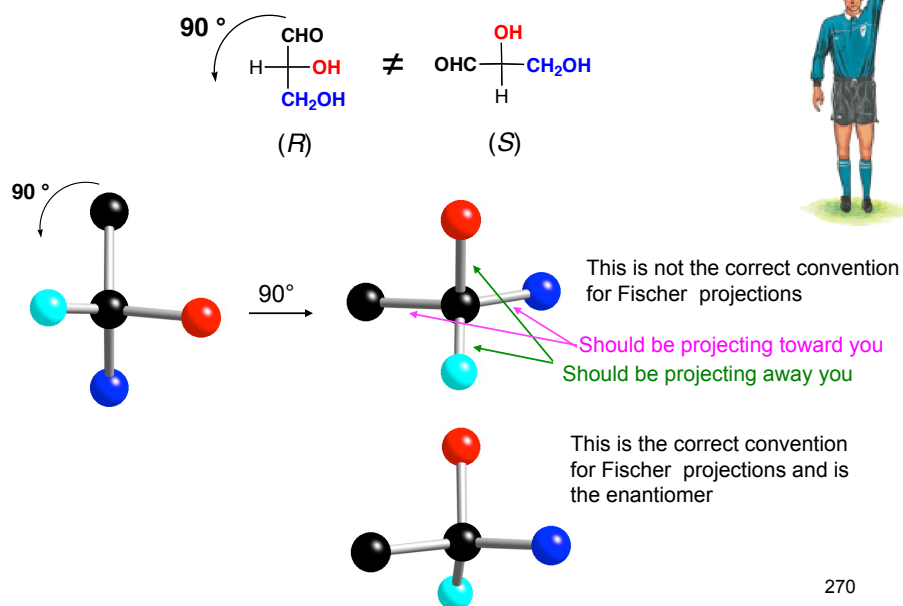
Manipulation of Fischer Projections

1. Fischer projections can be rotated by 180° (in the plane of the page) only!



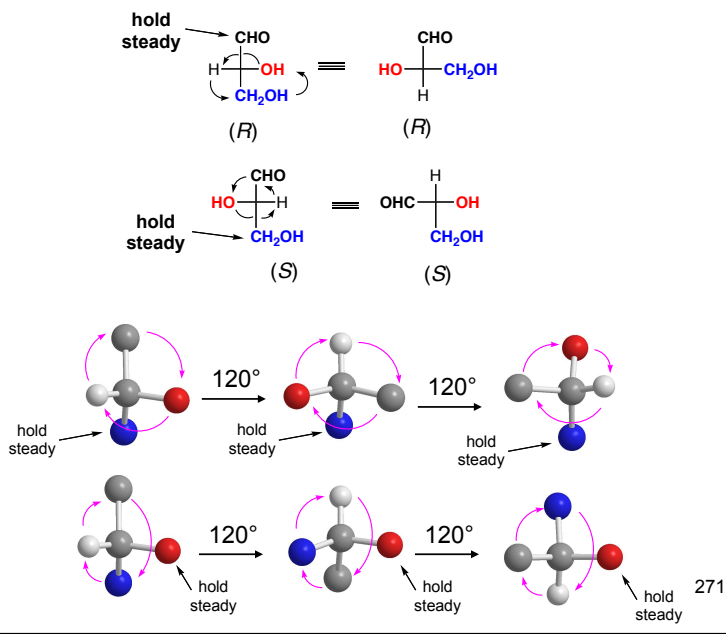
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a 90° rotation inverts the stereochemistry and is illegal!



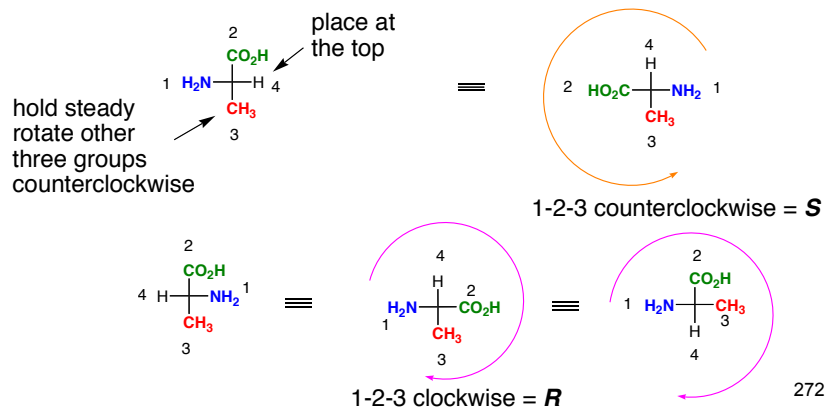
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2. If one group of a Fischer projection is held steady, the other three groups can be rotated clockwise or counterclockwise.

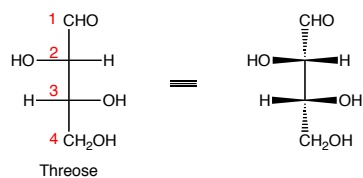


Assigning *R* and *S* Configuration to Fischer Projections

1. Assign priorities to the four substituents according to the Cahn-Ingold-Prelog rules
2. Perform the two allowed manipulations of the Fischer projection to place the lowest priority group at the top or bottom.
3. If the priority of the other groups 1→2→3 is clockwise then assign the carbon as *R*, if the priority of the other groups 1→2→3 is counterclockwise then assign the center as *S*.



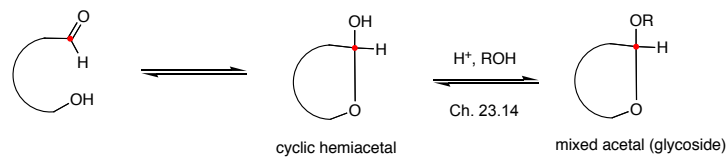
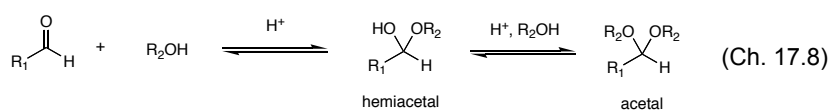
Fischer projections with more than one chiral center:



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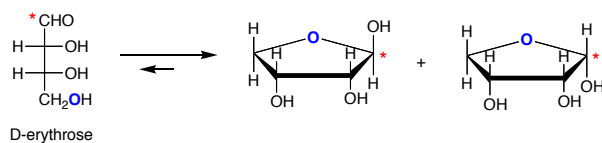
23.5: A Mnemonic for Carbohydrate Configuration.
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25.6: Cyclic Forms of Carbohydrates: Furanose Forms.



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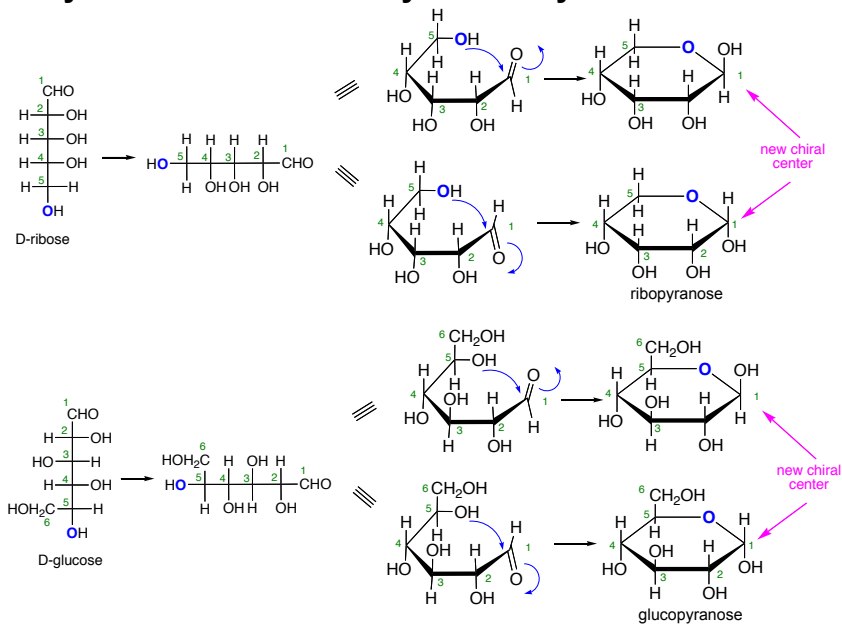
Cyclization of carbohydrates to the hemiacetal creates a new chiral center. The hemiacetal or hemiketal carbon of the cyclic form of carbohydrates is the *anomeric carbon*. Carbohydrate isomers that differ only in the stereochemistry of the anomeric carbon are called *anomers* and designated as α and β .



Converting Fischer Projections to Haworth formulas

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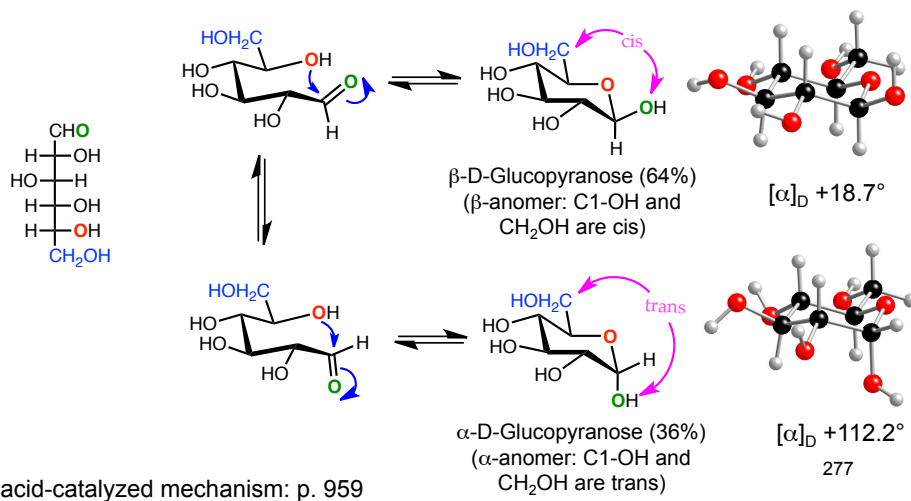
23.7: Cyclic Forms of Carbohydrates: Pyranose Forms.



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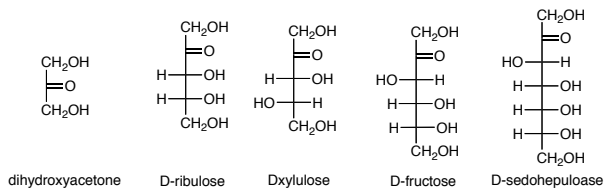
Note: the pyranose forms of carbohydrates adopt chair conformations.

23.8: Mutarotation. The α - and β -anomers are in equilibrium, and interconvert through the open form. The pure anomers can be isolated by crystallization. When the pure anomers are dissolved in water they undergo mutarotation, the process by which they return to an equilibrium mixture of the anomer.

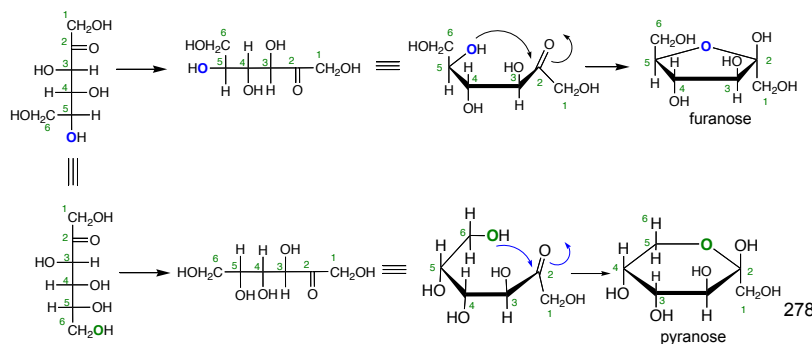


23.9: Carbohydrate Conformation: The Anomeric Effect
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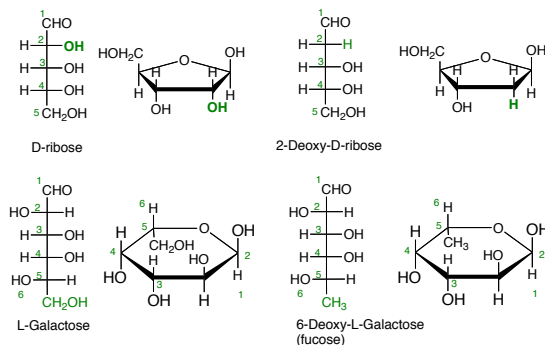
23.10: Ketoses. Ketoses are less common than aldoses



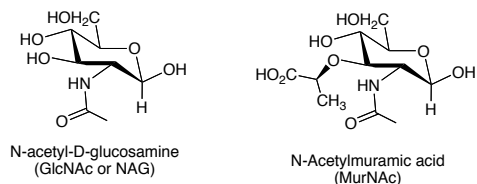
Fructofuranose and Fructopyranose



25.11: Deoxy Sugars. Carbohydrates that are missing a hydroxy group.

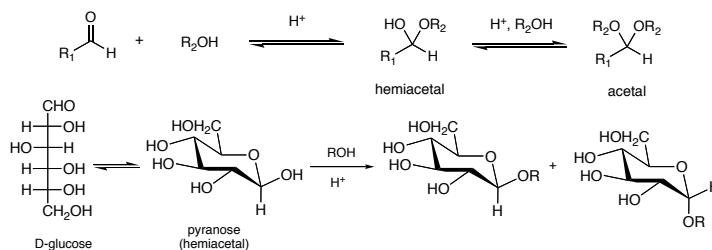


23.12: Amino Sugars. Carbohydrates in which a hydroxyl group is replaced with an $-NH_2$ or $-NHAc$ group



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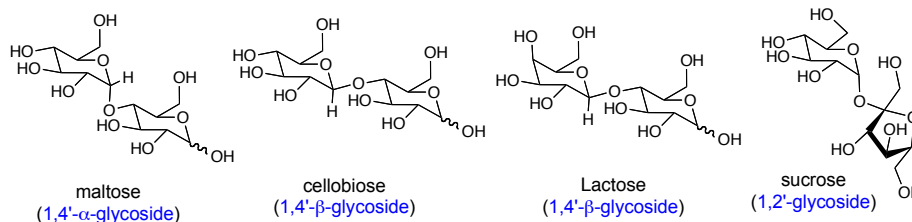
23.13: Branched-Chain Carbohydrates. (Please read)
23.14: Glycosides: The Fischer Glycosylation. Acetals and ketals of the cyclic form of carbohydrates.



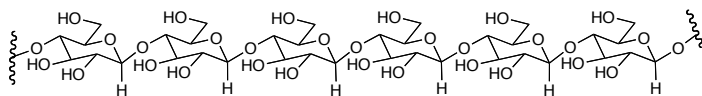
acid-catalyzed mechanism: Mechanism 23.2, p. 967
 Note that only the anomeric hydroxyl group is replaced by ROH

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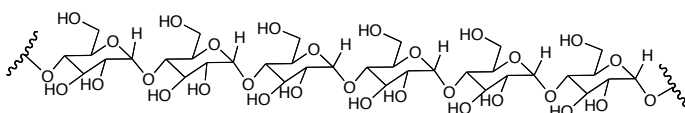
23.15: Disaccharides. A glycoside in which ROH is another carbohydrate unit (complex carbohydrate).



23.16: Polysaccharides. *Cellulose*: glucose polymer made up of 1,4' - β -glycoside linkages

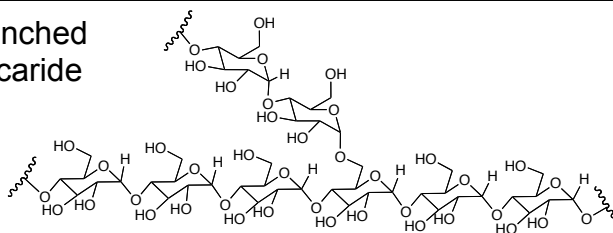


Amylose: glucose polymer made up of 1,4' - α -glycoside linkages



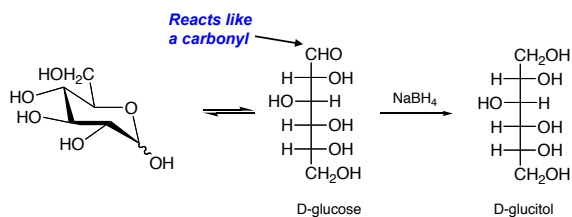
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Amylopectin: Branched amylose polysaccharide



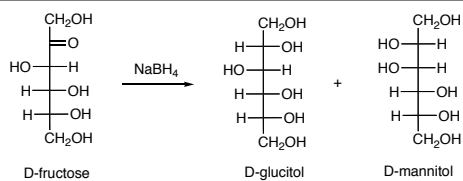
23.17: Application of Familiar Reactions to Monosaccharides. (Table 23.2, p. 974)

Reduction of Monosaccharides. C1 of aldoses are reduced with sodium borohydride to the 1° alcohol (*alditols*).

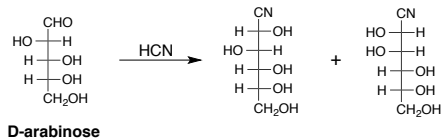


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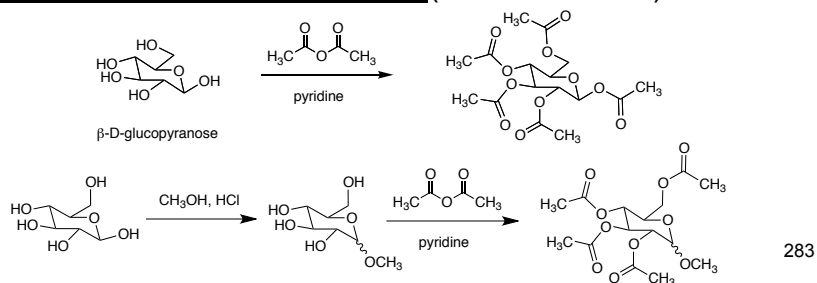
Reduction of ketoses



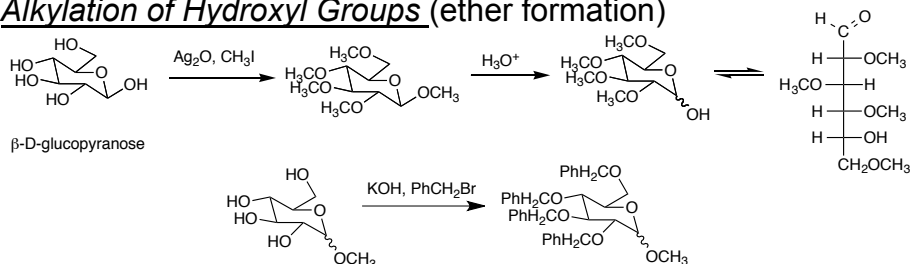
Cyanohydrin formation



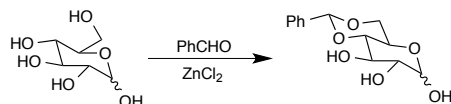
Acylation of the Hydroxyl Groups (ester formation):



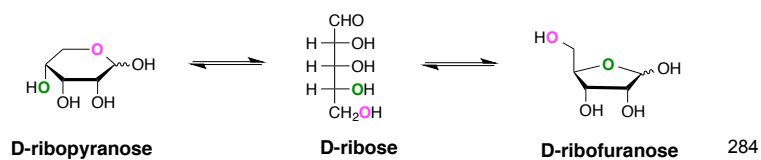
Alkylation of Hydroxyl Groups (ether formation)



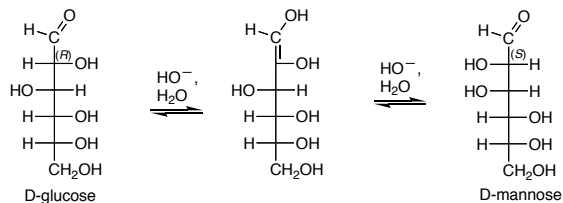
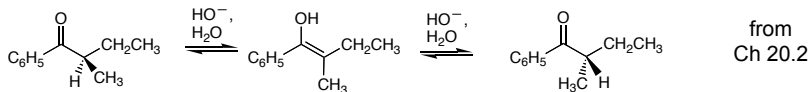
Acetal formation



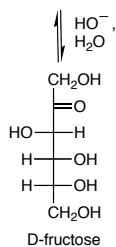
Furanose – pyranose isomerization



Enolization and Epimerization

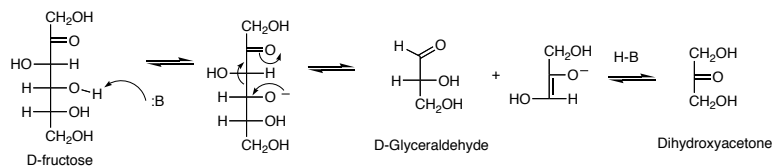


Aldose to ketose isomerization

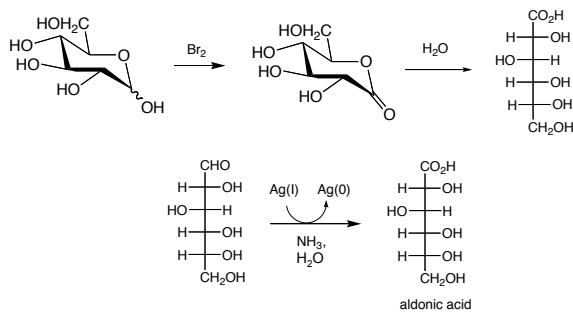


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Retro-aldol reaction of carbohydrates

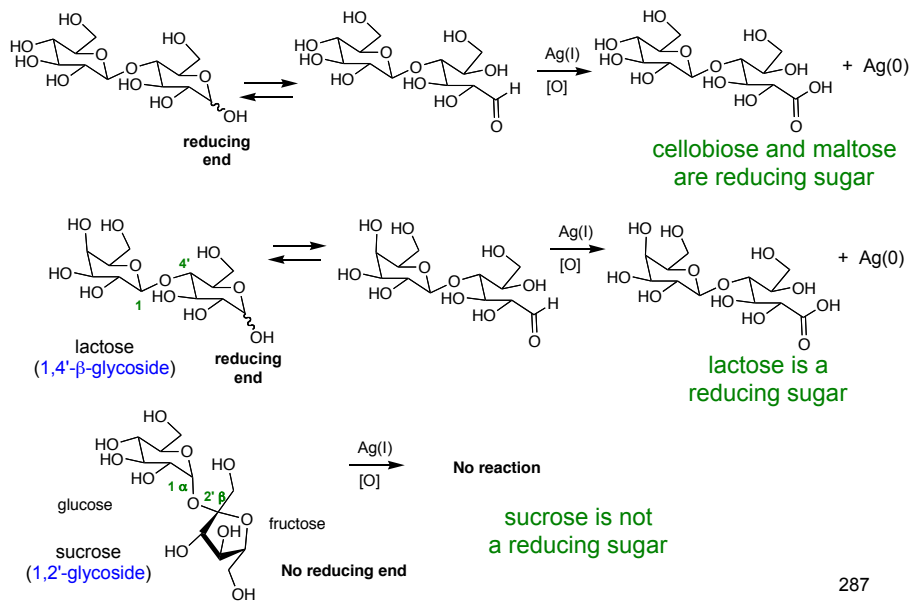


23.18: Oxidation of Monosaccharides. C1 of aldoses can be selectively oxidized to the carboxylic acid (*aldonic acids*) with Br_2 or Ag(I) (Tollen's test).

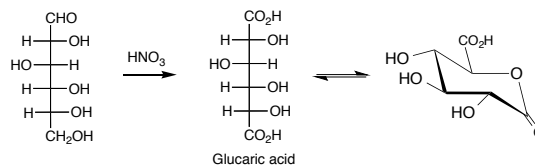


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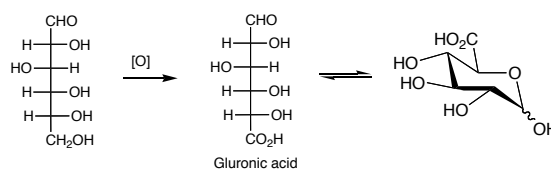
Reducing sugars: carbohydrates that can be oxidized to aldonic acids.



Oxidation of aldoses to aldaric acids with HNO₃.



Uronic Acid: Carbohydrate in which only the terminal -CH₂OH is oxidized to a carboxylic acid.



Periodic Acid Oxidation. The vicinal diols of carbohydrate can be oxidative cleaved with HIO₄.

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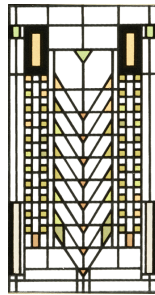
Kiliani-Fischer Synthesis: chain lengthening of monosaccharides

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Symmetry



Monarch butterfly:
bilateral symmetry=
mirror symmetry



Mirror
symmetry



Mirror symmetry &
axis (6 fold) of symmetry

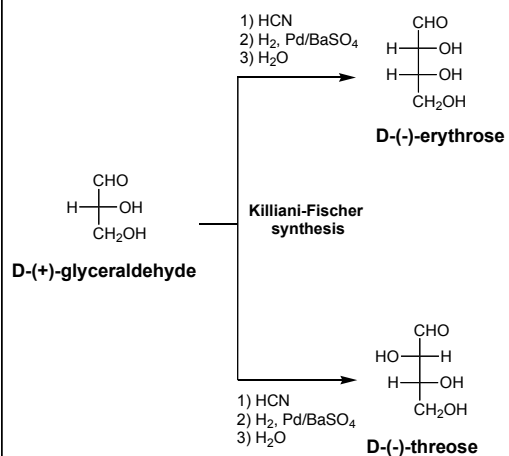
*Whenever winds blow
butterflies find a new place
on the willow tree*
-Basho (~1644 - 1694)



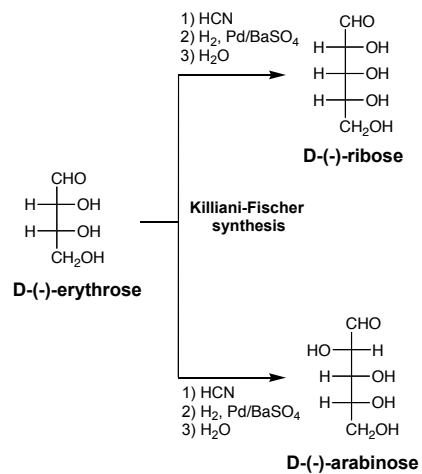
Point (center)
of symmetry

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Determination of carbohydrate stereochemistry



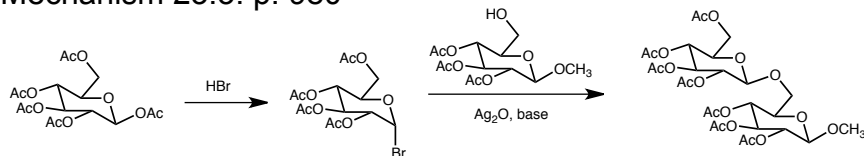
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23.24: Glycosides: Synthesis of Oligosaccharides

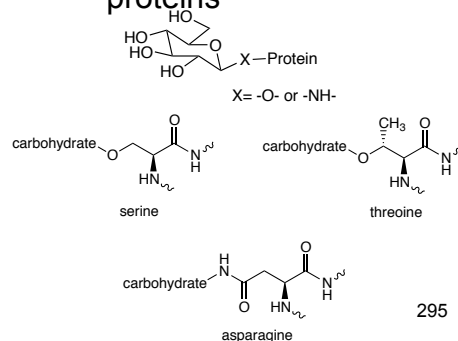
Mechanism 23.3: p. 980



23.25: Glycobiology (please read)



Glycoproteins: glycosides of proteins



Chapter 24: Lipids. Hydrophobic (non-polar, soluble in organic solvent), typically of low molecular weight compounds of organic origin.

- fatty acids and waxes
- essential oils
- many vitamins
- hormones (non-peptide)
- components of cell membranes (non-peptide)

Share a common biosynthesis that ultimately derives their carbon source from glucose (glycolysis)

Glucose → pyruvate → lactate

