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STUDY MATERIAL



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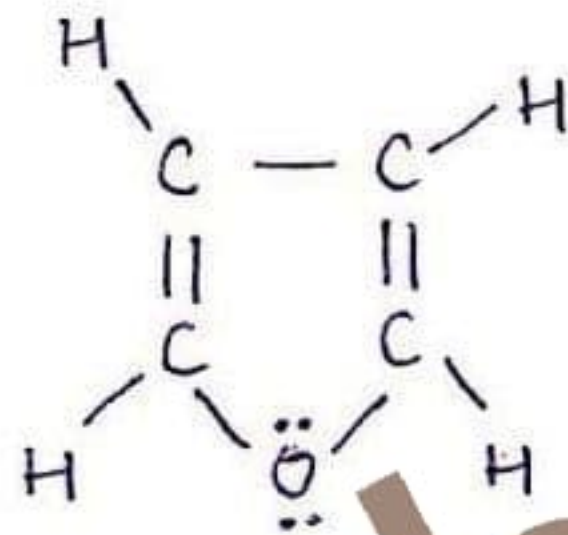


FURAN

- It is five membered heterocyclic compounds containing oxygen (O) as a heteroatom.



OR



Chemical formula $\rightarrow$ C_4H_4O

Molecular wt. $\rightarrow$ 68

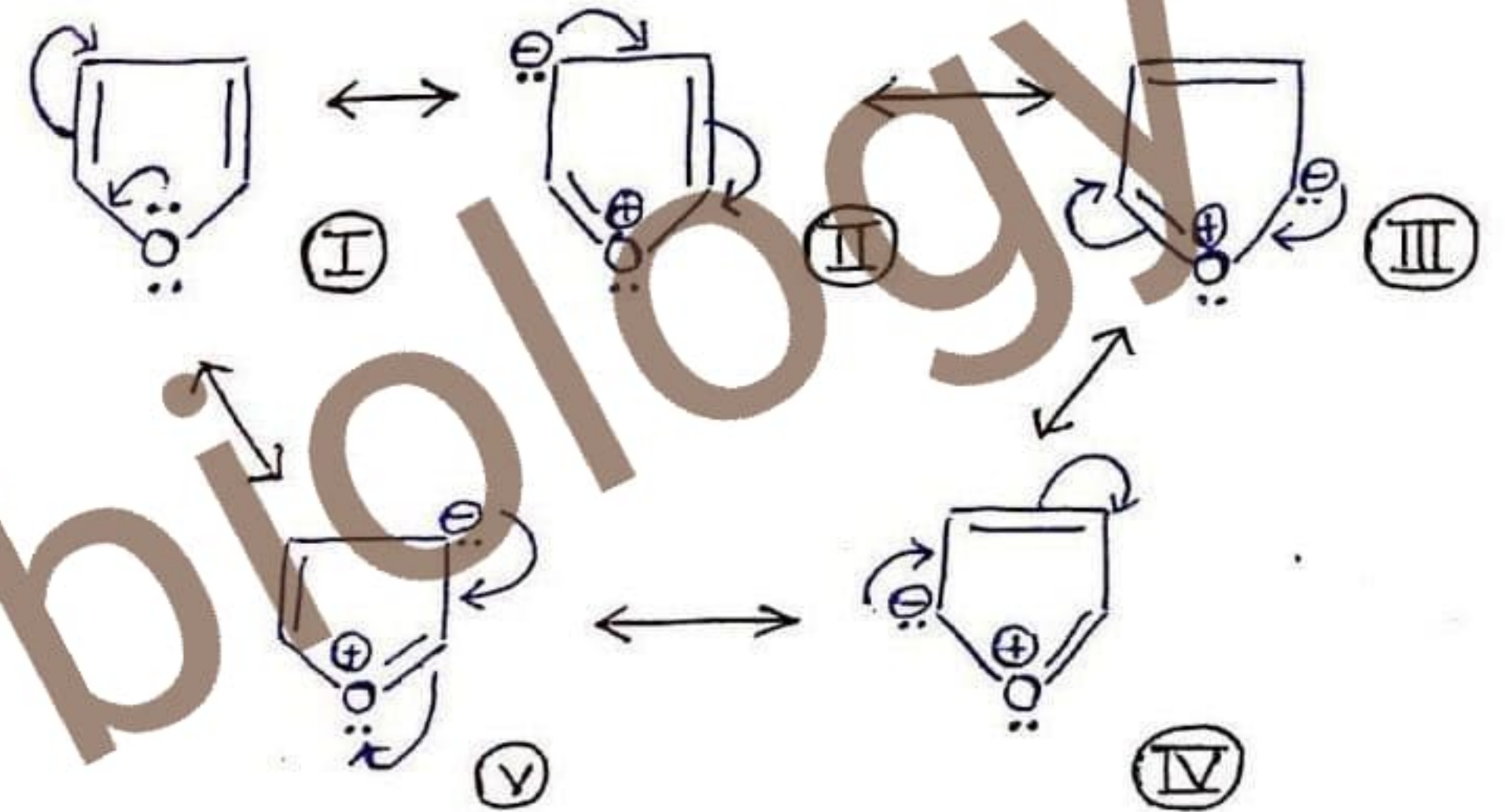
Other Name $\rightarrow$ Oxole

Hybridization $\rightarrow$ sp^2 (carbon), sp^3 (oxygen)

- Furan is aromatic in nature.

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* Resonance :-



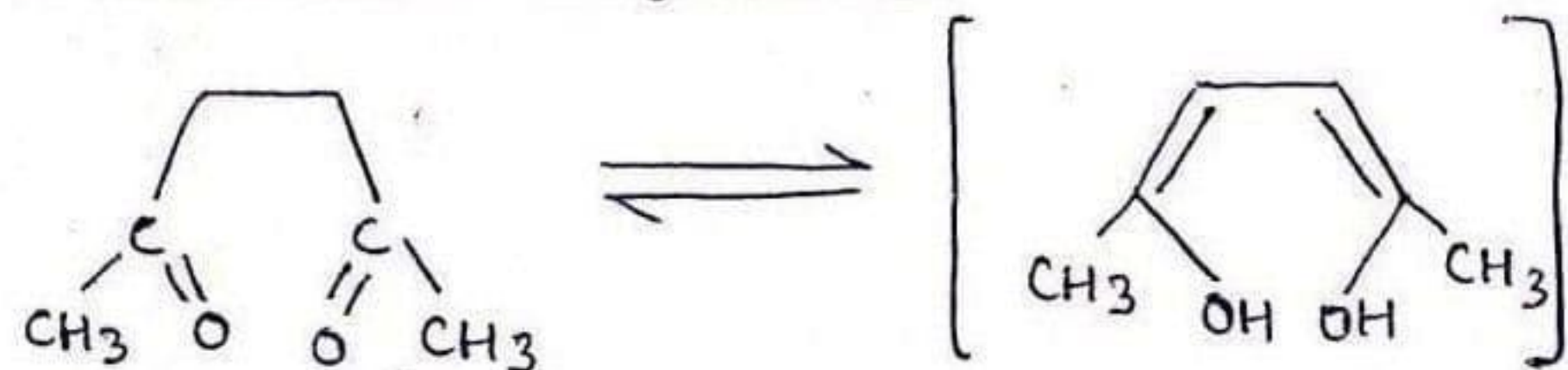
Physical Properties :-

- It is a colourless liquid.
- It is only slightly soluble in water.
- It has a chloroform like smell.
- Boiling point is $32^\circ C$.

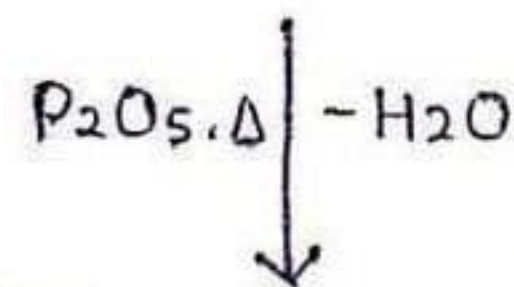
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* Synthesis (Method of Preparation)

① Paal Knoorr Synthesis



[Hexane-2,5-dione]

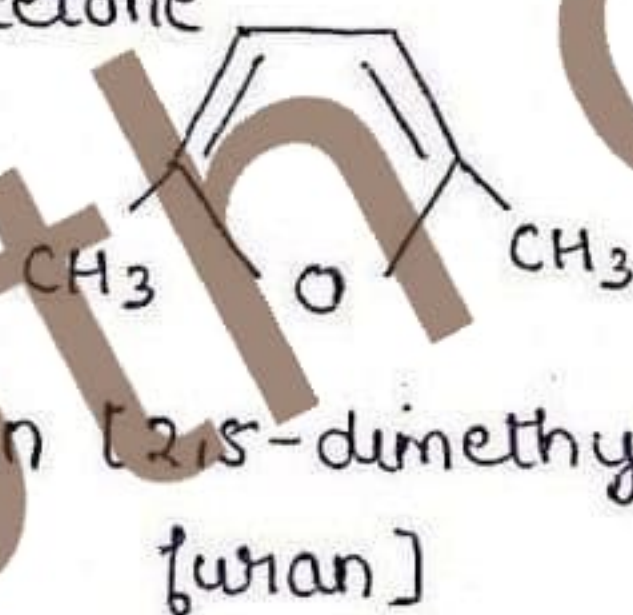


• In this reaction, Acetonylacetone

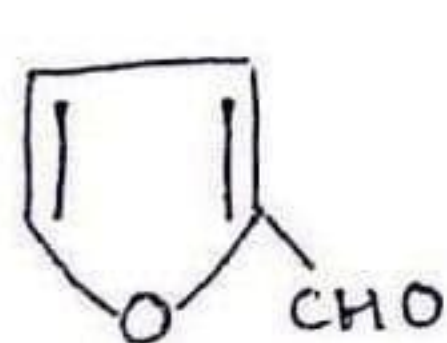
convert into an end form,

which further on dehydration [2,5-dimethyl furan]

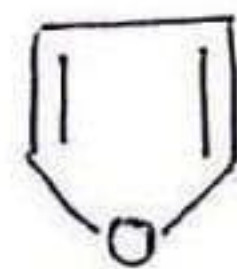
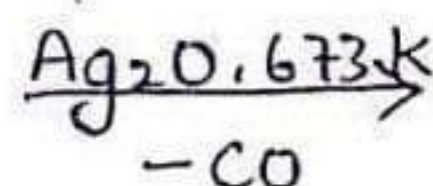
gives 2,5-dimethylfuran.



② From furfural



[Furfural]



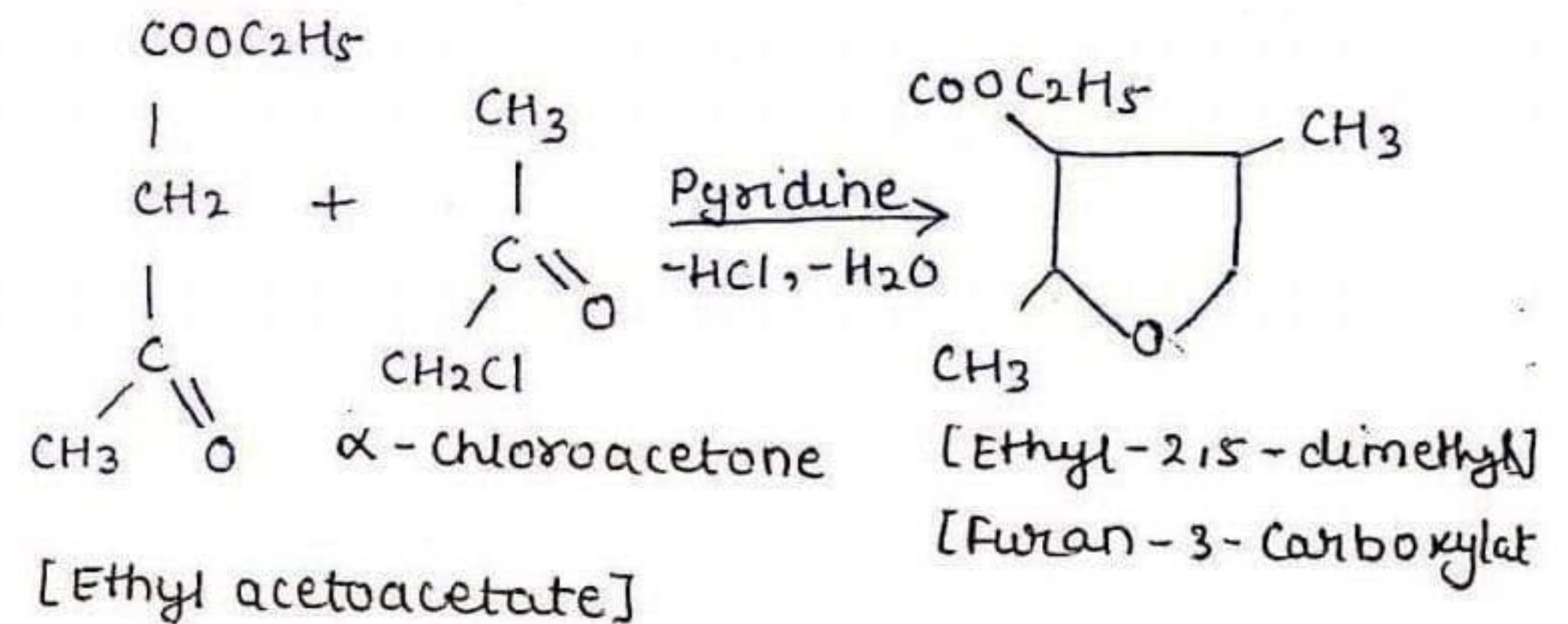
[Furan]

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• In this reaction, furfural undergoes decarboxylation (remove 'O') by heating in steam at 673 K in the presence of silver oxide (Ag_2O) [DEPTH OF BIOLOGY]

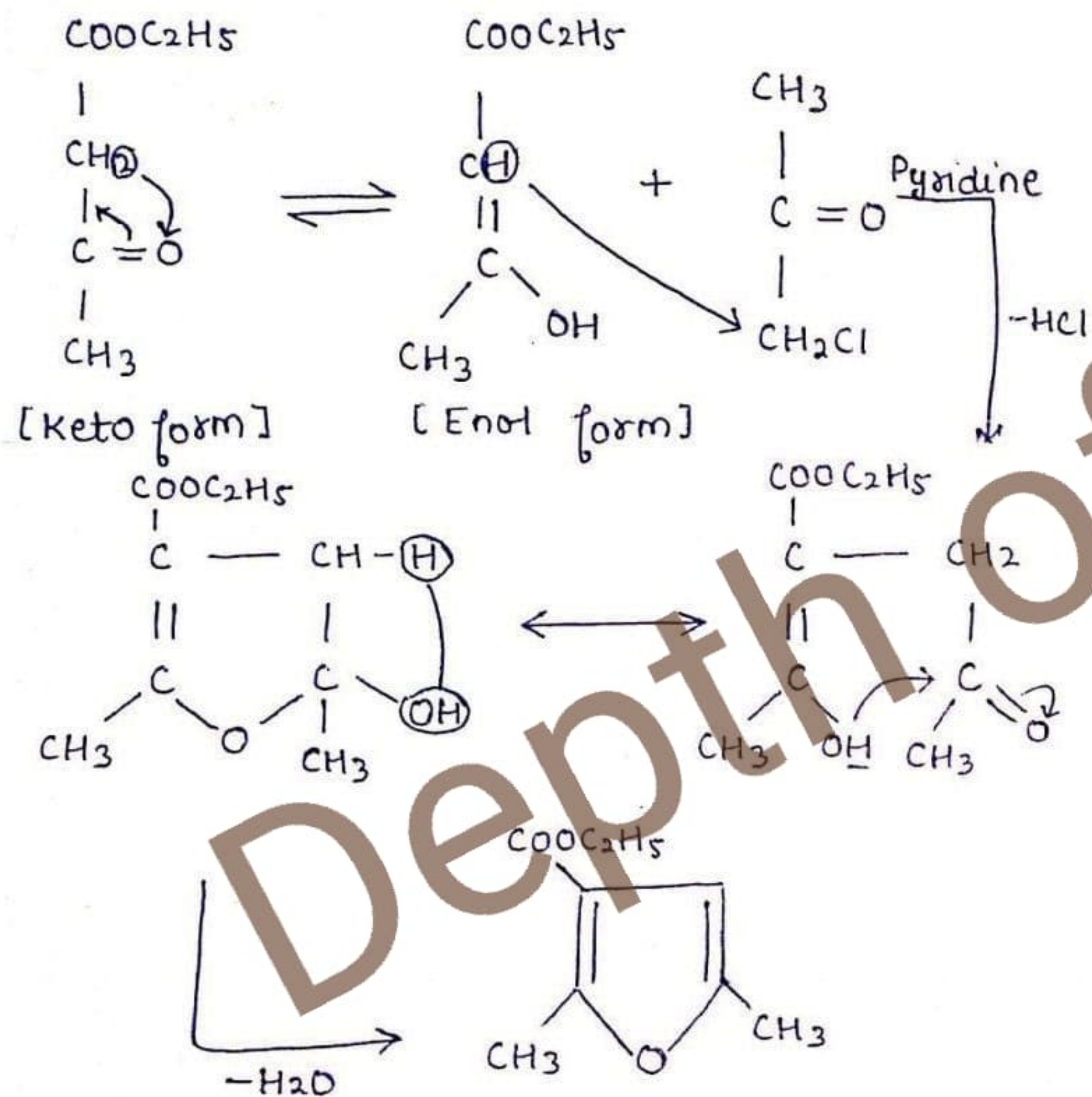
③ Feist - Binary Synthesis



In this reaction, β -ketoester react with α -haloketones in the presence of pyridine to gives derivative of furan.

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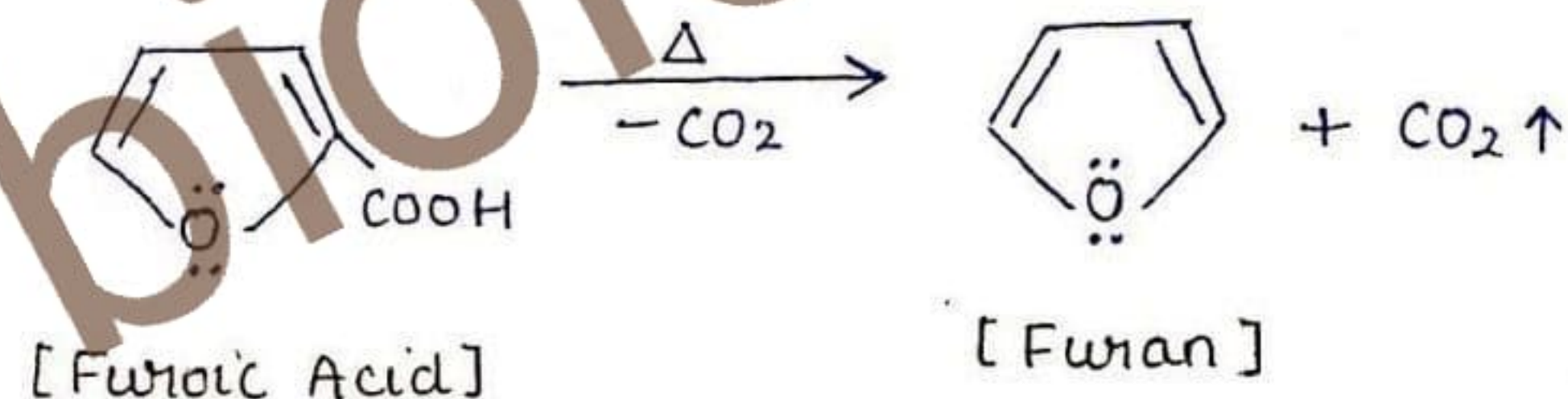
• Mechanism :- [DEPTH OF BIOLOGY]



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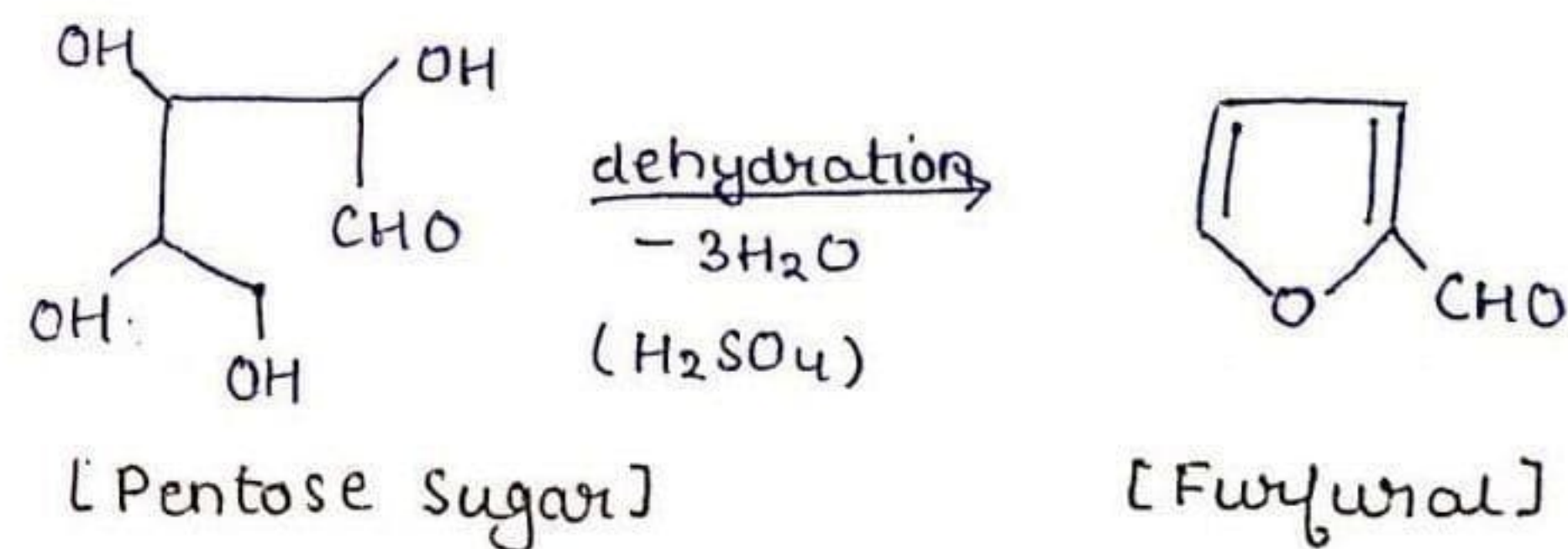
④ From furic Acid

Decarboxylation of furic acid yield furan.



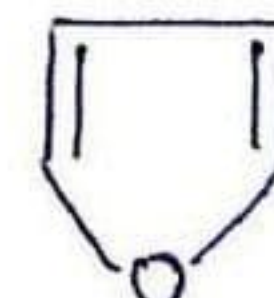
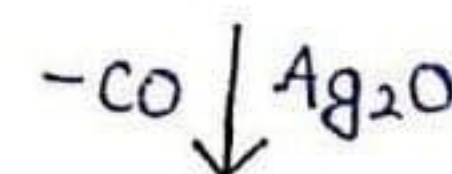
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⑤ From pentose sugar



• In this reaction, pentose

sugar compound is dehydrated



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and formed furfural, which further undergoes decarboxylation and formed furan.

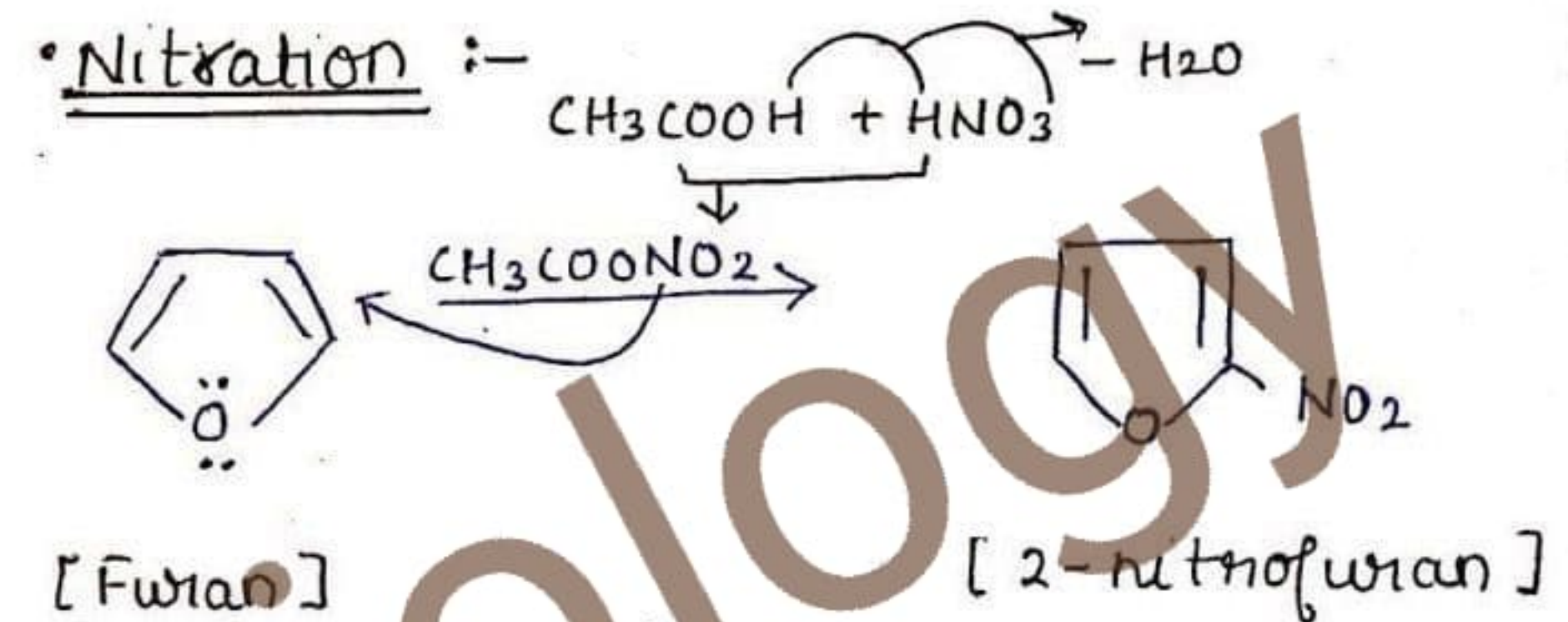
* Chemical Reaction : Furan is an aromatic compound. So it give

electrophilic substitution reaction.

① Electrophilic Substitution reaction :-

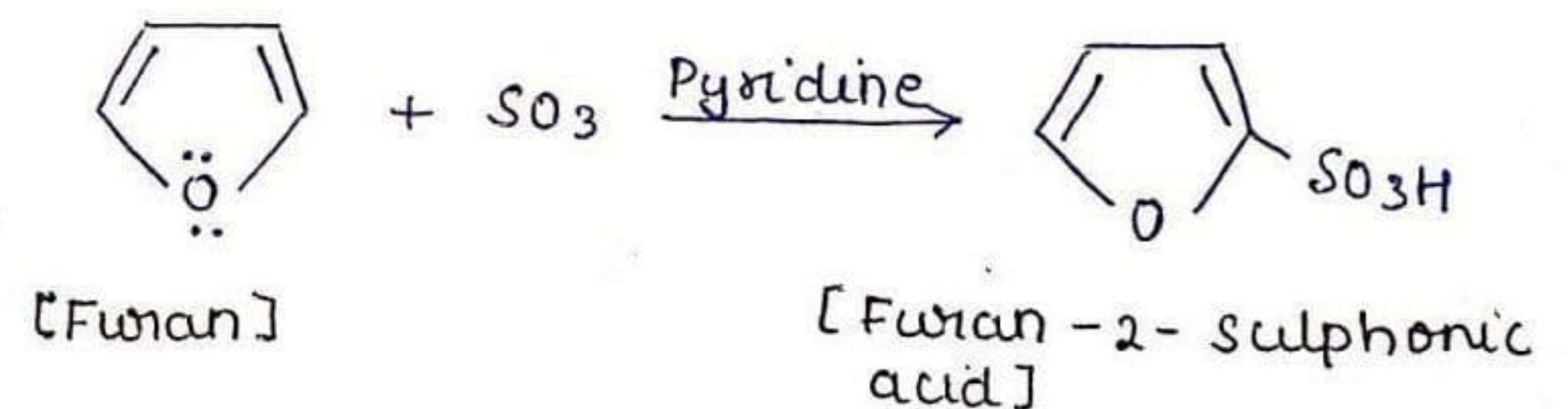
In acidic condition, furan get polymerised so its reaction are carried out under mild reagent / conditions. (occur at α or 2 position)

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In this reaction, furan is treated with mixture of acetic anhydride and nitric acid to give 2-nitrofuran.

• Sulphonation :-

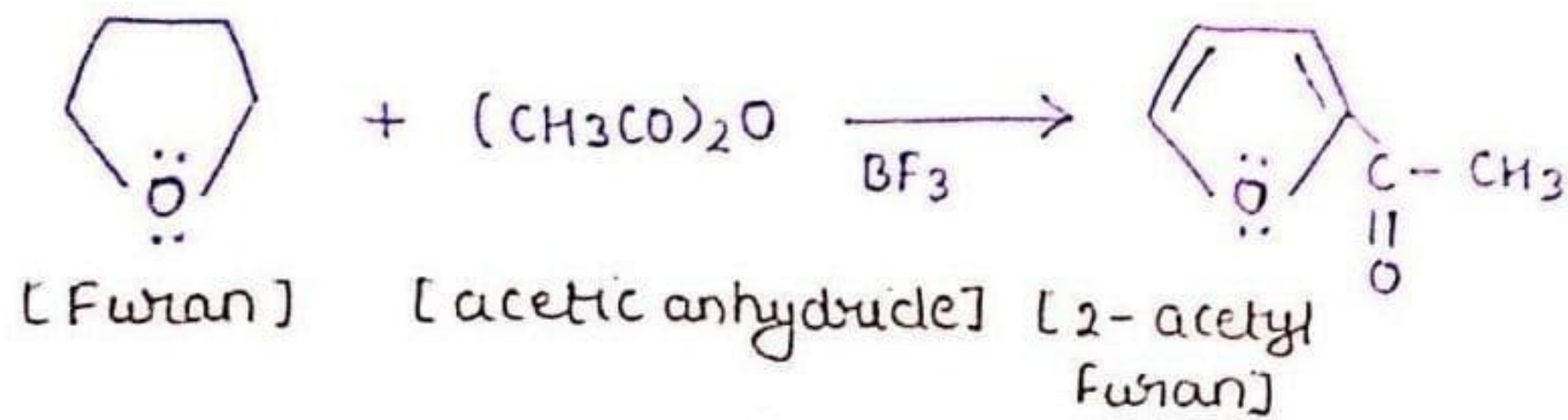


• In this reaction, furan is treated with pyridine - SO_3 complex to give 2-Furan sulphonic acid.

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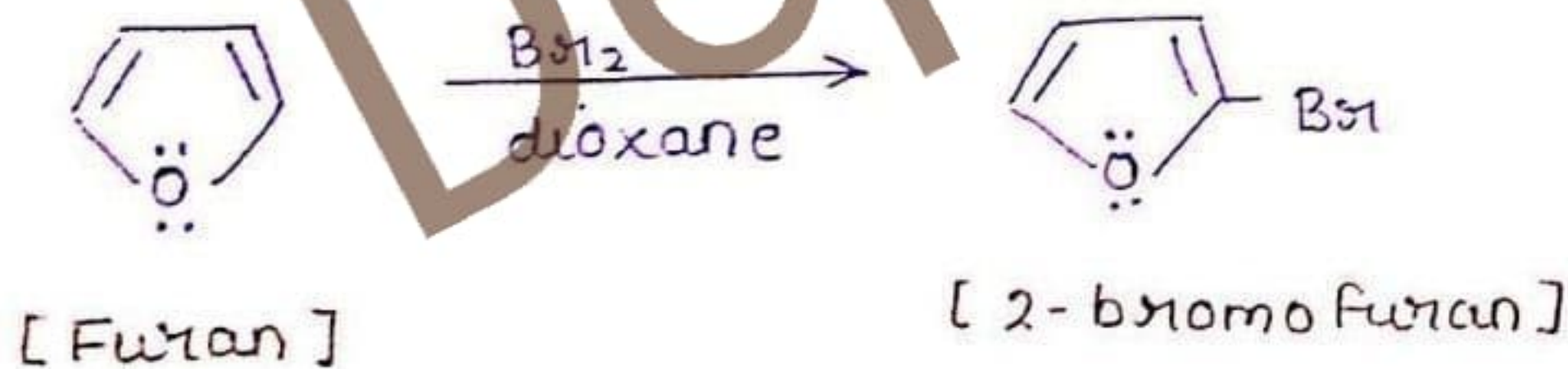
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• Friedel craft acylation :-



Furan on reaction with acetic anhydride in the presence of boron trifluoride gives 2-acetyl furan.

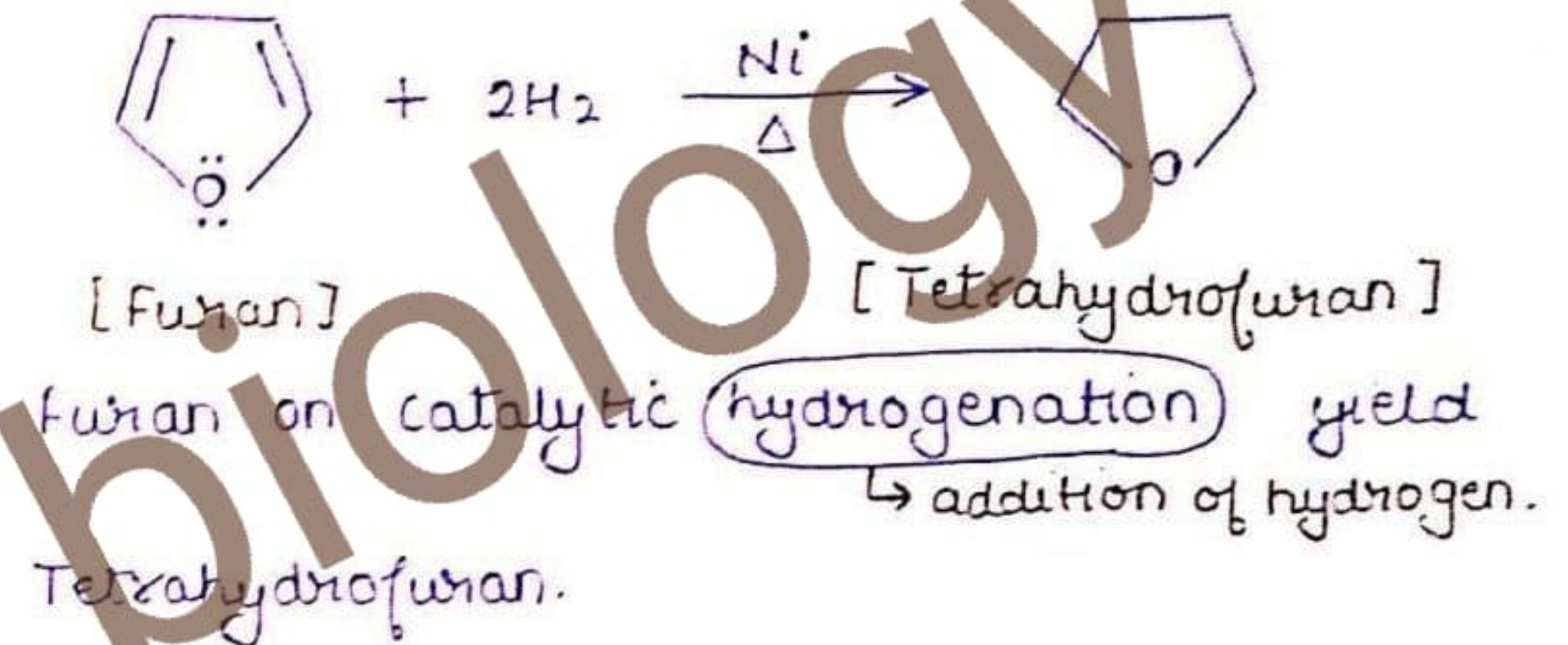
• Bromination :-



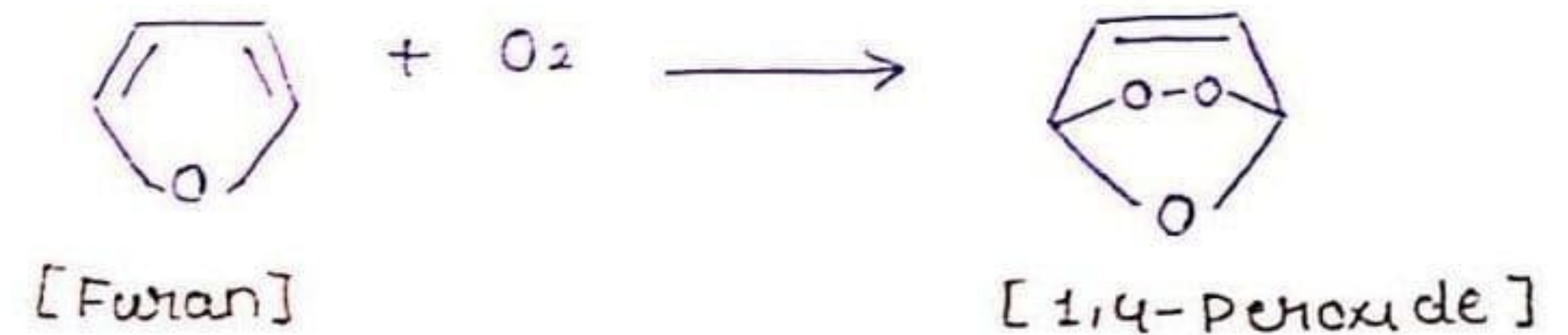
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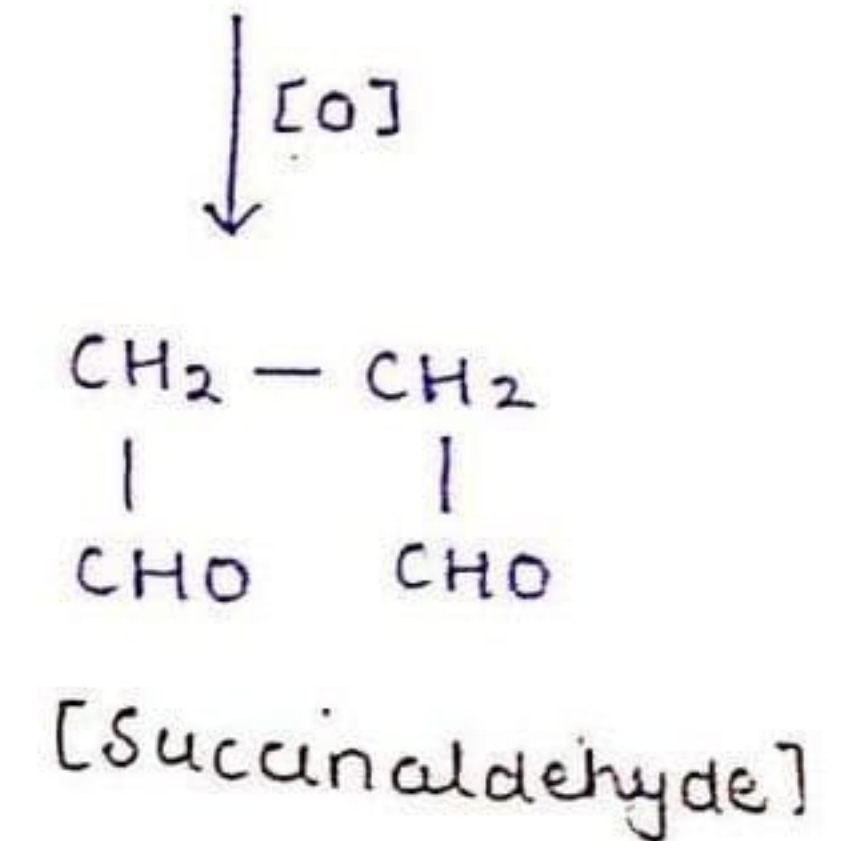
② Reduction (Hydrogenation) :-



③ Oxidation Reaction :-



On oxidation, furan gives succinaldehyde via formation of 1,4-peroxide.



Medicinal use of furan and their derivatives:-

- Furan and their derivatives show many pharmacological action such as antidepressant, analgesic, muscle relaxant, antihypertensive etc...
- Used as solvent for resin.
- Used in the production of agriculture chemicals stabilizer and insecticides.
- Some drugs with their use :-
 - ① Prazosin → Used as antihypertensive
 - ② Pilocarpin → Used in treatment of open angle glaucoma.
 - ③ Ranitidine → inhibit stomach acid production.

④ cimetidine → antiulcer agent

⑤ Nitrofurazone → Used as an antibiotic.

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