CHEM 3.5 Worksheet 2

Name _____

Question One- Complete the table

Name	Structure	Optical isomers (Y/N)
Example: Pentan-2-one	н — с — т н	No
4-methyl pentanal	Н Н С С О Н С С С О Н С С Н ³ Н С Н ³	No
3-methyl Butan-1-ol	Н Н Н Н Н — С — С — Н Н — С — С — ОН Н СН ₃ Н ОН	No
Pentan-2-ol	н — с — н О — с — н Н — с — н н — с — н н _ с — н н _ т	Yes
2-methyl propan-2-ol	Н ОН Н H——С——С——Н H СН ₃ Н	No

Question Two- Discuss a series of chemical tests to distinguish all the chemicals on the list above

Take a small amount of sample of each substance and reacts them with Lucas reagent (HCl/ZnCl₂)

For 2-methyl propan-2-ol, it will turn cloudy quickly due to the substitution reaction with HCl/ZnCl₂ forming insoluble 2-chloro-2-methyl propane



Similarly, pentan-2-ol will also react and turn the mixture cloudy, however, it takes around 5-10 minutes under warm water bath



No observation for the remaining, Pentan-2-one, 4-methyl pentanal and 3-methyl butan-1-ol

Take some sample of the remaining substances and react with $KMnO_4/H^+$ in a warm water bath

4-methyl pentanal and 3-methyl butan-1-ol will result in a colourless mixture due to the reduction of $MnO_4^- \rightarrow Mn^{2+}$



Whole Pentan-2-one remains unchanged

Finally react 4-methyl pentanal and 3-methyl butan-1-ol with Tollens reagent, $[Ag(NH_3)_2]^+$

for 4-methyl pentanal, a grey deposit will form due to the reduction of $Ag^+ \rightarrow Ag$ while no observation for butan-1-ol

