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Friday Worksheet IR spectroscopy

- 1) Consider the following statements.
 - i. Valence electrons in metal atoms absorb energy and are excited to higher energy levels.
 - ii. Valence electrons in metal atoms release energy as they return from high energy levels to low energy levels.
 - iii. Nucleons absorb radio waves and are excited to higher energy spin states.
 - iv. Bonds present in a molecule stretch or bend by absorbing energy of specific wavelength.
 - v. The energy absorbed depends on the mass of the atoms forming a bond.
 - a) Which of the statements above relate to IR spectroscopy ?
 - b) Which of the statements above relate to NMR spectroscopy ?
- 2) How can IR spectroscopy be used to distinguish between compounds "A" and "B" shown on the right?



3) A compound has the molecular formula $C_6H_{12}O_2$. Its IR and ¹HNMR spectra are shown below.



a) Identify the bonds present in the molecule?

b) Give a possible structural formula for the compound

4) Below is the IR spectrum of an organic molecule.



A scientist suspects that it belongs to either of three molecules

- i) CH₃CHOHCH₂CH₂CH₃
- ii) CH₃CHCHCH₂CH₂OH
- iii) CH₃CH₂CH₂CH₂COOH

Which molecule is likely to form the IR spectrum above? Discuss with reference to the IR spectrum.