- Cyclopentadiene reacts with sodium hydroxide. Predict the structure of the product and explain its relative stability.


The product is the cyclopentadienyl anion.
This is an aromatic ring as it:
(i) flat
(ii) has $6 \pi$ electrons ( $2 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}$ bonds and a lone pair on the $\mathrm{C}^{-}$atom) so satisfies
Hückel's $4 n+2$ rule with $n=1$

(iii) all C atoms are $\mathrm{sp}^{2}$ hybridized.
(iv)

The negative charge is delocalized around the ring as shown in the resonance forms below:


- Complete the following table.

Marks

| STARTING MATERIAL | REAGENTS/ CONDITIONS | CONSTITUTIONAL FORMULA(S) OF MAJOR ORGANIC PRODUCT(S) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{3} \mathrm{~N}$ |  |
|  | 1. Mg / dry ether <br> 2. $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ <br> 3. $\mathrm{H}^{\oplus} / \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ |  |
| SH | $\mathrm{I}_{2} /$ air |  |
|  | (i) NaOH <br> (ii) $\mathbf{C H}_{3} \mathbf{C H}_{2} \mathrm{Br}$ |  |
|  | conc. $\mathrm{HNO}_{3}$ / <br> conc. $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ |  |
|  | $\mathrm{Cr}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}{ }^{\text {e }} / \mathrm{H}^{\oplus}$ |  |

- Show clearly the reagents you would use to carry out the following chemical conversions. Draw constitutional formulas for any intermediate compounds. Note: More than one step is required in both cases.

- Complete the following table.

| STARTING <br> MATERIAL | REAGENTS/CONDITIONS | CONSTITUTIONAL <br> FORMULA(S) OF MAJOR <br> ORGANIC PRODUCT(S) |
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- Complete the following table. Make sure you give the name of the product or starting material where requested.

| STARTING <br> MATERIAL | REAGENTS/CONDITIONS | CONSTITUTIONAL <br> FORMULA(S) OF MAJOR <br> ORGANIC PRODUCT(S) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{H N O}_{\mathbf{3}} / \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{2}} \mathbf{S O}_{\mathbf{4}}$ <br> $\left(\mathbf{3 0 - 4 0}{ }^{\circ} \mathbf{C}\right)$ |  |

