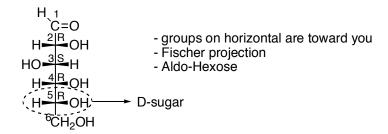
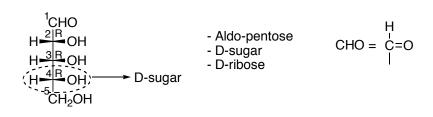
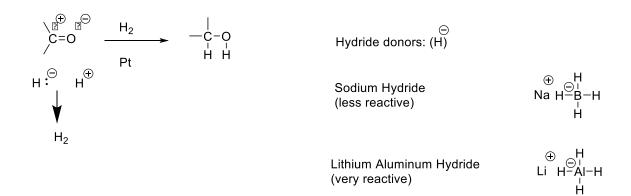
D-Glucose:



• A D-sugar has R configuration for highest number stereogenic center.

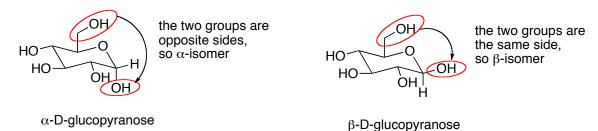
D-Ribose:





 $\begin{array}{c} \text{H-OR} \\ \text{H}_2 \text{SO}_4 \end{array}$

Hemiacetal formation:



* in the above case, the hemiacetal formation could give both isomers (α and β), depending on which face of the carbonyl is attacked. Usually α favoured (anomeric effect)

Acetal formation:

Mechanism of Acetal formation: