


# CARBOHYDRATE

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# CARBOHYDRATE CHEMISTRY

1. **Definition, classification, biological importance.**
2. **Monosaccharides- structure, classification & properties.**
3. **Isomerism.**
4. **Disaccharides, Oligosaccharides- structure, importance.**
5. **Polysaccharides- homo & heteropolysaccharides, their structure & function.**



**Carbohydrates are  
aldehyde or ketone  
derivatives of polyhydric  
alcohols.**

# BIOMEDICAL IMPORTANCE

1. Knowledge of the structure & properties of carbohydrates is essential in understanding its role in physiological processes.
2. Glucose is the major fuel of the tissues.
3. Other carbohydrates of importance :- **Glycogen** for storage; **Ribose** in nucleic acid; **Galactose** in lactose of milk; in certain complex lipids & in combination with protein in glycoproteins & proteoglycans.
4. Non digestible carbohydrates serve as dietary fibres.

# BIOMEDICAL IMPORTANCE

Diseases associated with carbohydrates:-

1. **Diabetes mellitus**
2. **Galactosemia**
3. **Glycogen storage diseases**
4. **Lactose intolerance.**

# CLASSIFICATION

## 1. MONOSACCHARIDES-


TRIOSES, TETROSES, PENTOSES, HEXOSES, HEPTOSES OR OCTOSES (depending on the no. of C-atoms), ALDOSES OR KETOSES (depending on whether aldehyde or ketone group is present)

## 2. DISACCHARIDES.

## 3. OLIGOSACCHARIDES.

## 4. POLYSACCHARIDES-

HOMOPOLYSACCHARIDES & HETEROPOLYSACCHARIDES.

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- Carbohydrates also can combine with lipids to form **glycolipids**


OR

- With proteins to form **glycoproteins**.
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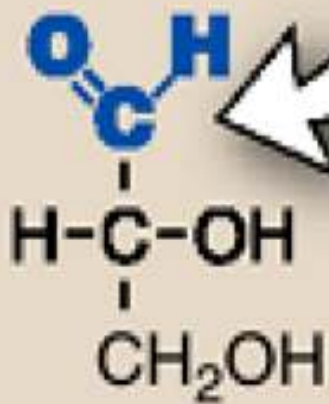
# MONOSACCHARIDES

- Contains only one sugar group (mono-one, saccharin-sugar).
- Cannot be hydrolysed to simpler form.
- Depending on the no. of C-atoms, may be triose, tetrose, pentose etc.



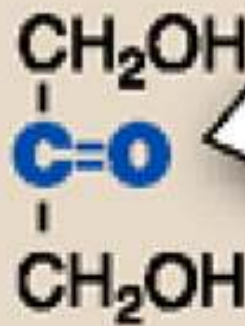
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- Carbohydrates with an aldehyde as their most oxidized functional group are called Aldoses.
  - whereas those with a keto as their most oxidized functional group are called Ketoses

**A** Aldehyde group



**Glyceraldehyde**

**B** Keto group



**Dihydroxyacetone**

# COMMON MONOSACCHARIDES

No. Of Carbon atoms	Generic name	ALDOSES	KETOSES
3	TRIOSE	GLYCERALDEHYDE	DIHYDROXY ACETONE PHOSPHATE
4	TETROSE	ERYTHROSE	ERYTHRULOSE
5	PENTOSE	RIBOSE	RIBULOSE
6	HEXOSE	GLUCOSE	FRUCTOSE
7	HEPTOSE	GLUCOHEPTOSE	SEDOHEPTULOSE

# DISACCHARIDES

**Formed when two monosaccharides combine together by a glycosidic linkage with the elimination of molecule of water.**

**i.e., DISACCHARIDES , ON HYDROLYSIS YIELD TWO MOLECULES OF MONOSACCHARIDES.**

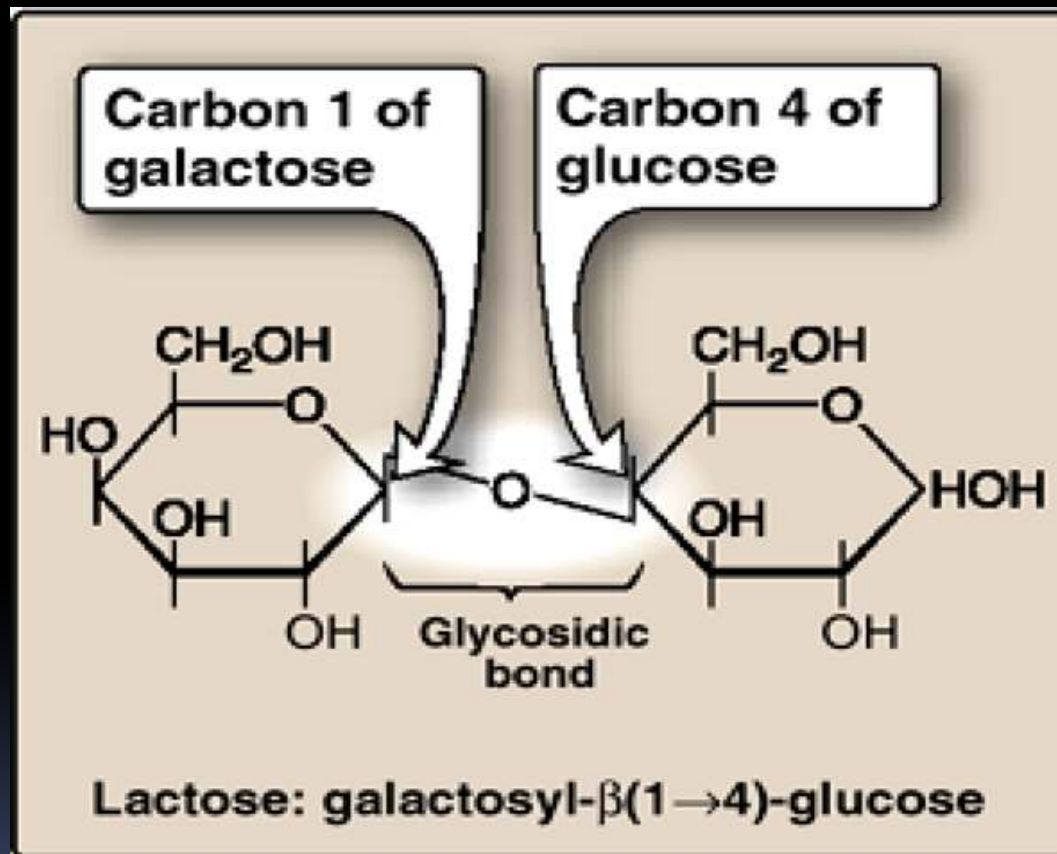
# EXAMPLES OF DISACCHARIDES:-

## ON HYDROLYSIS

LACTOSE:- yields one molecule of glucose  
and one of galactose

MALTOSE :- yields two molecules of glucose.

SUCROSE:- yields one molecule of glucose &  
one of fructose.



# OLIGOSACCHARIDES

(OLIGO-a few)

Yield 2 to 10 monosaccharide units on hydrolysis.

Eg., MALTOTRIOSE & RAFFINOSE are trisaccharides containing 3 glucose units.

# POLYSACCHARIDES

- Yield more than 10 molecules of monosaccharides on hydrolysis (poly-many).
- Homopolysaccharides yield only one type of monosaccharide units.
- Heteropolysaccharides yield more than one type of monosaccharides on hydrolysis.



# PROPERTIES OF MONOSACCHARIDES

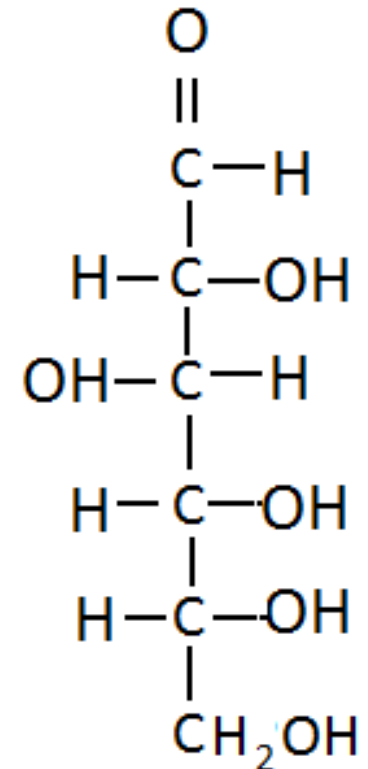
FROM THE BIOMEDICAL POINT OF

VIEW, **GLUCOSE IS THE MOST**

**IMPORTANT MONOSACCHARIDE.**

# GLUCOSE IS A ALDOHEXOSE

- ALDEHYDE GROUP ON C<sub>1</sub>
- HEXOSE
- POLYHYDROXY COMPOUND
- PRIMARY ALCOHOL GROUP ON 6<sup>TH</sup> CARBON
- STRAIGHT CHAIN / OPEN CHAIN PROJECTION FORMULA



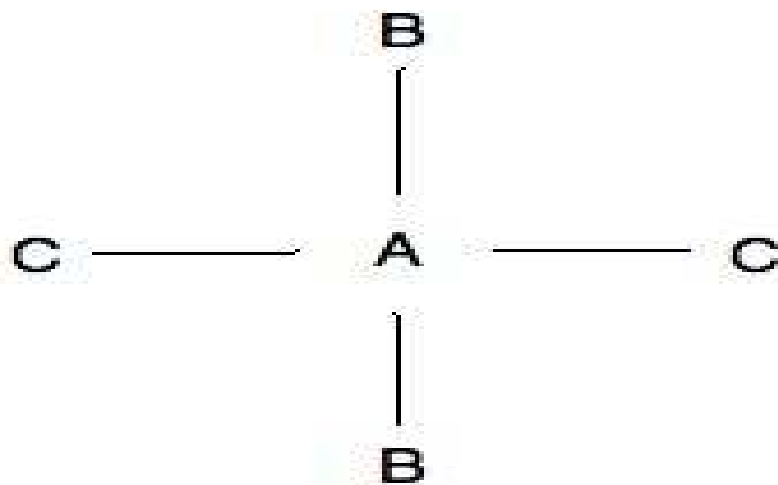
# Important

- Isomers
- Epimers
- Enantiomers
- Anomers
- D-form & L-form
- d-form & l-form
- $\alpha$ -form &  $\beta$ -form
- (+) form & (-) form

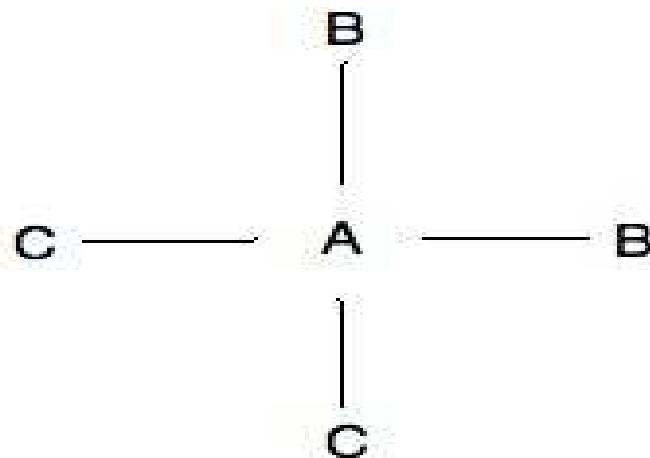
# Isomers

- Isomers are molecules that have the same molecular formula, but have a different arrangement of the atoms in space. (different structures).
- For example, a molecule with the formula  $AB_2C_2$ , has two ways it can be drawn:

# Isomer 1



# Isomer 2





## Examples of isomers:

1. Glucose
2. Fructose
3. Galactose
4. Mannose



Same chemical formula  $C_6H_{12}O_6$

# EPIMERS

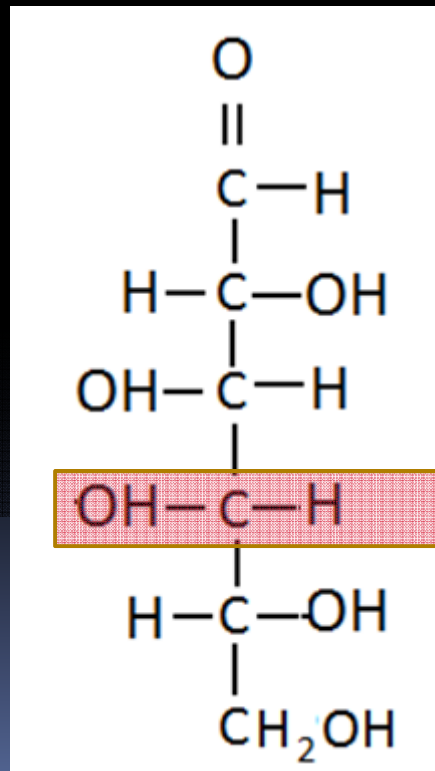
- **EPIMERS** are sugars that **differ in configuration at ONLY 1 POSITION.**



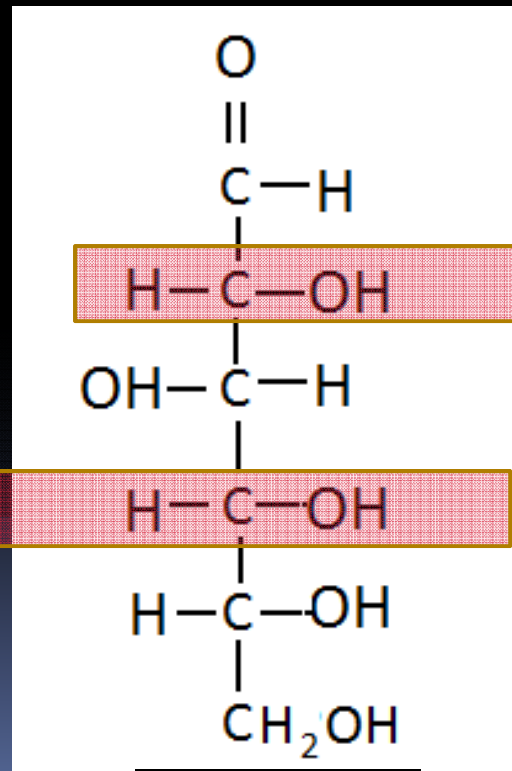
# EPIMERS

DIFFERS IN POSITION OF -OH GROUP AROUND **A SINGLE CARBON ATOM**  
OTHER THAN PENULTIMATE CARBON

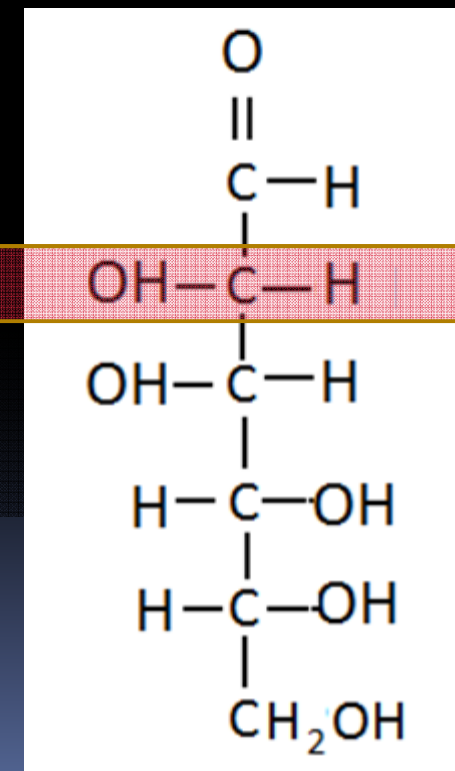
GLU & GAL ARE C-<sub>4</sub> EPIMERS WHILE GLU & MANNOSE ARE C<sub>2</sub> EPIMERS




GALACTOSE

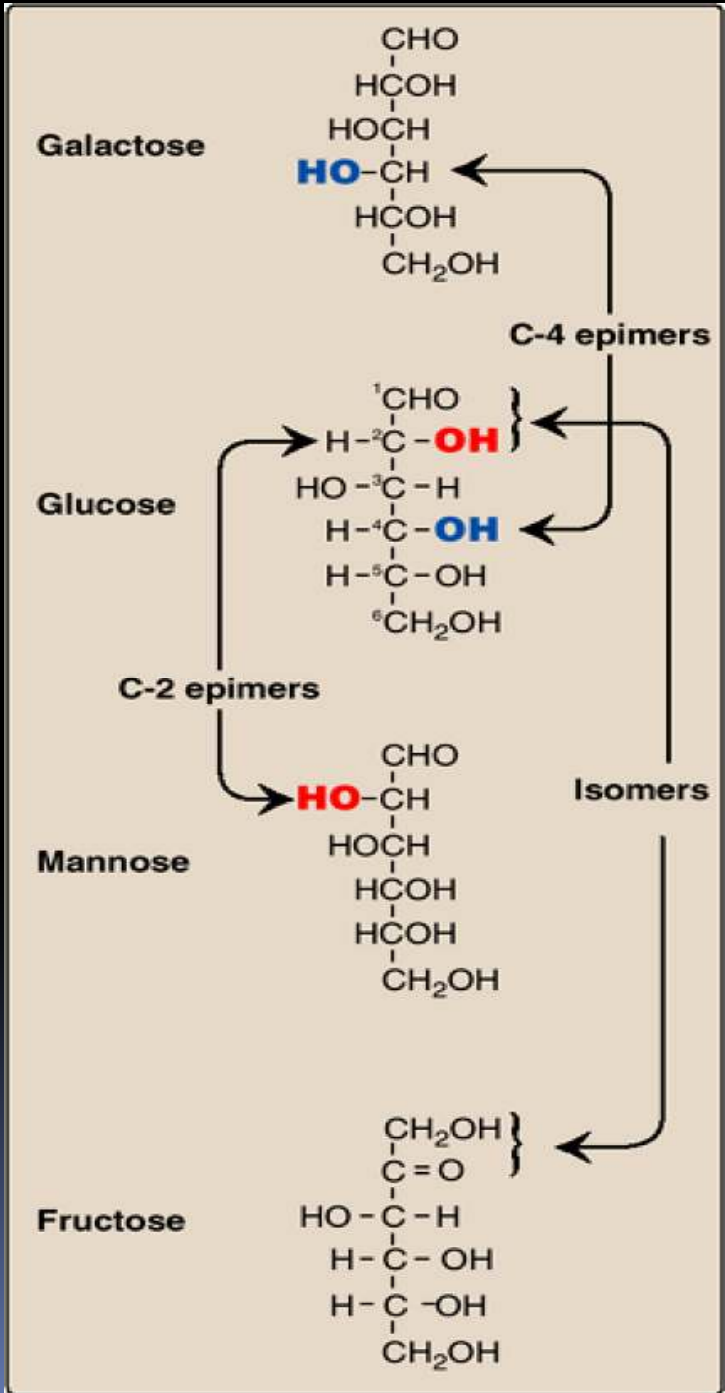


GLUCOSE



MANNOSE

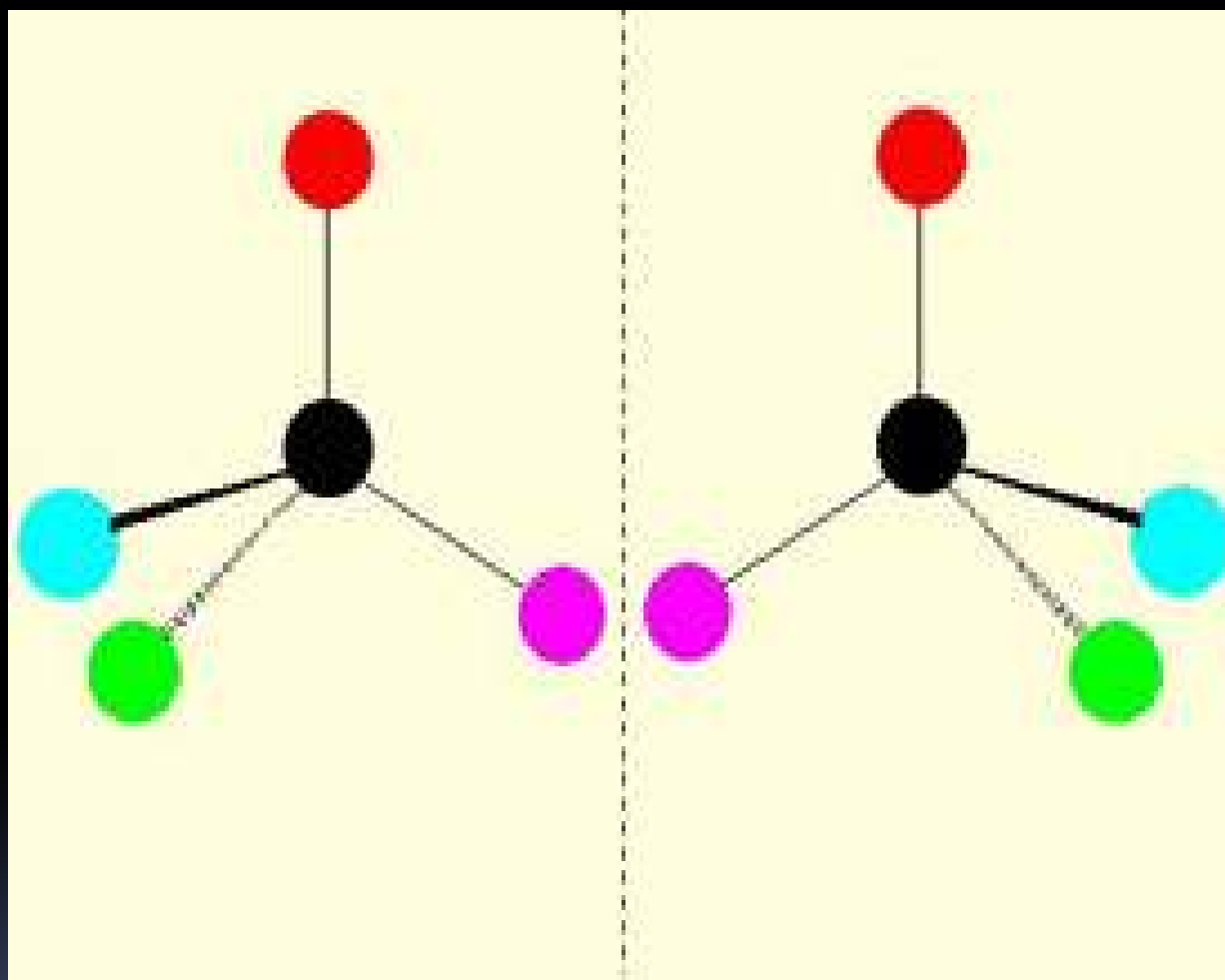
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- Examples of epimers :
    - D-glucose & D-galactose (epimeric at C<sub>4</sub>)
    - D-glucose & D-mannose (epimeric at C<sub>2</sub>)

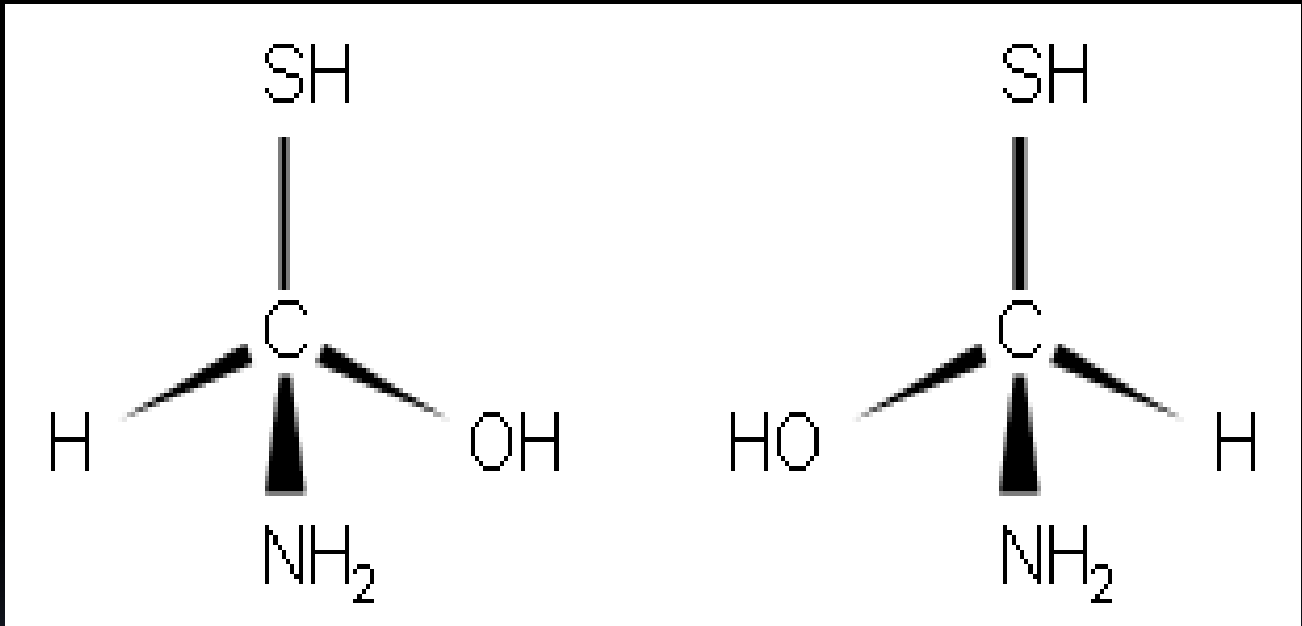


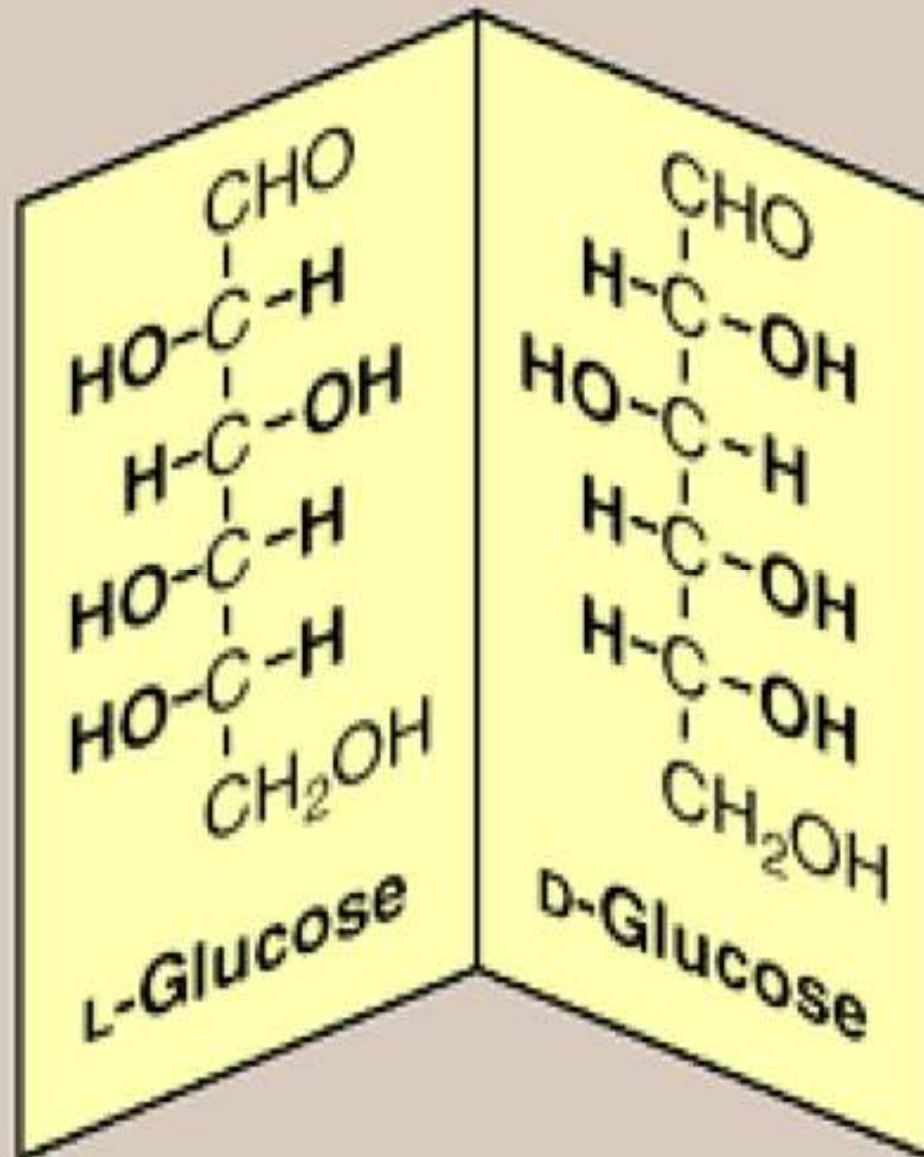
# ENANTIOMERS

**Non-Superimposable *COMPLETE* mirror image (differ in configuration at **EVERY CHIRAL CENTER.**)**

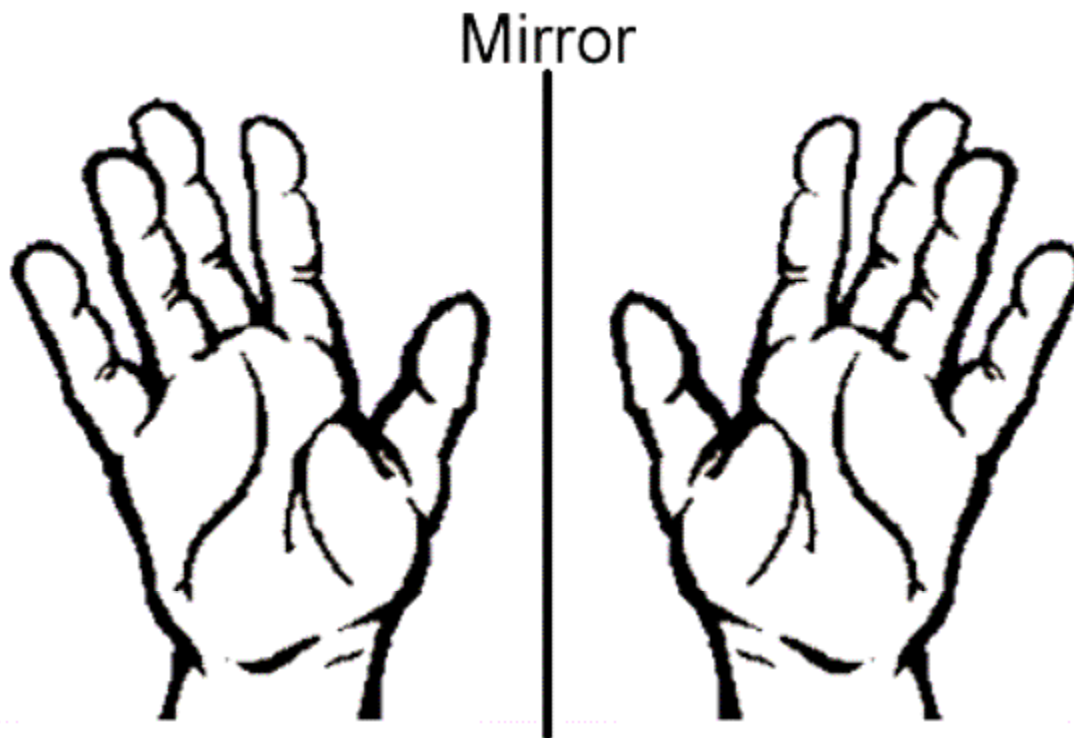
- In **D** form the OH group on the asymmetric carbon is on the **right**.
- In **L** form the OH group is on the **left** side.
- D-glucose and L-glucose are **enantiomers**:









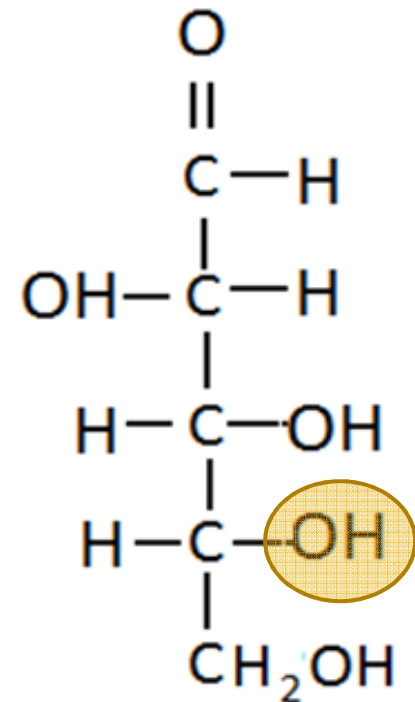
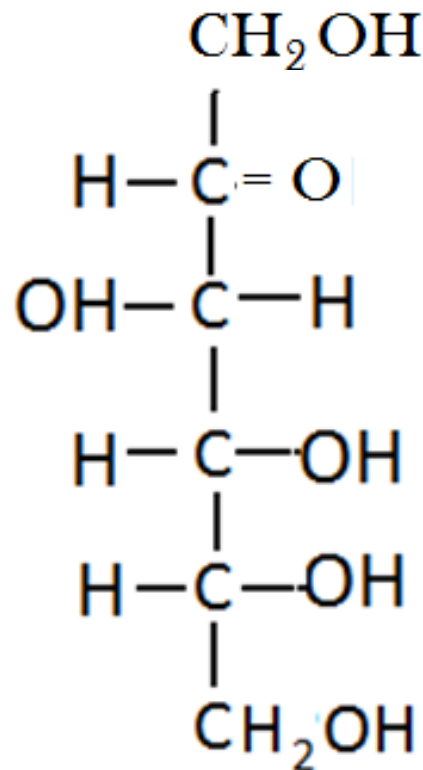
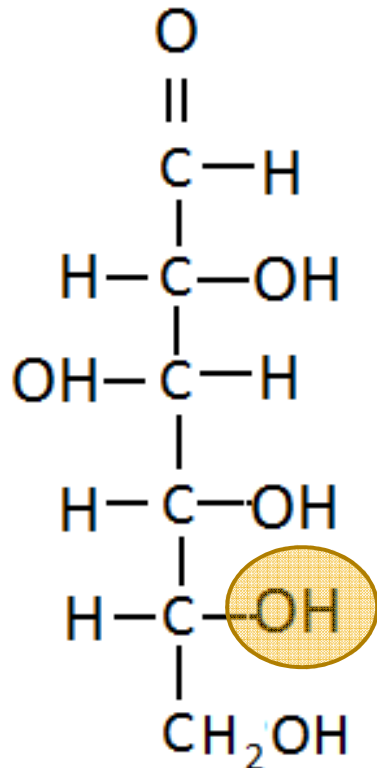


The mirror image of a chiral substance cannot be superimposed on the original image. Hands are chiral, as are sugars and amino acids.

# D-L ISOMERISM

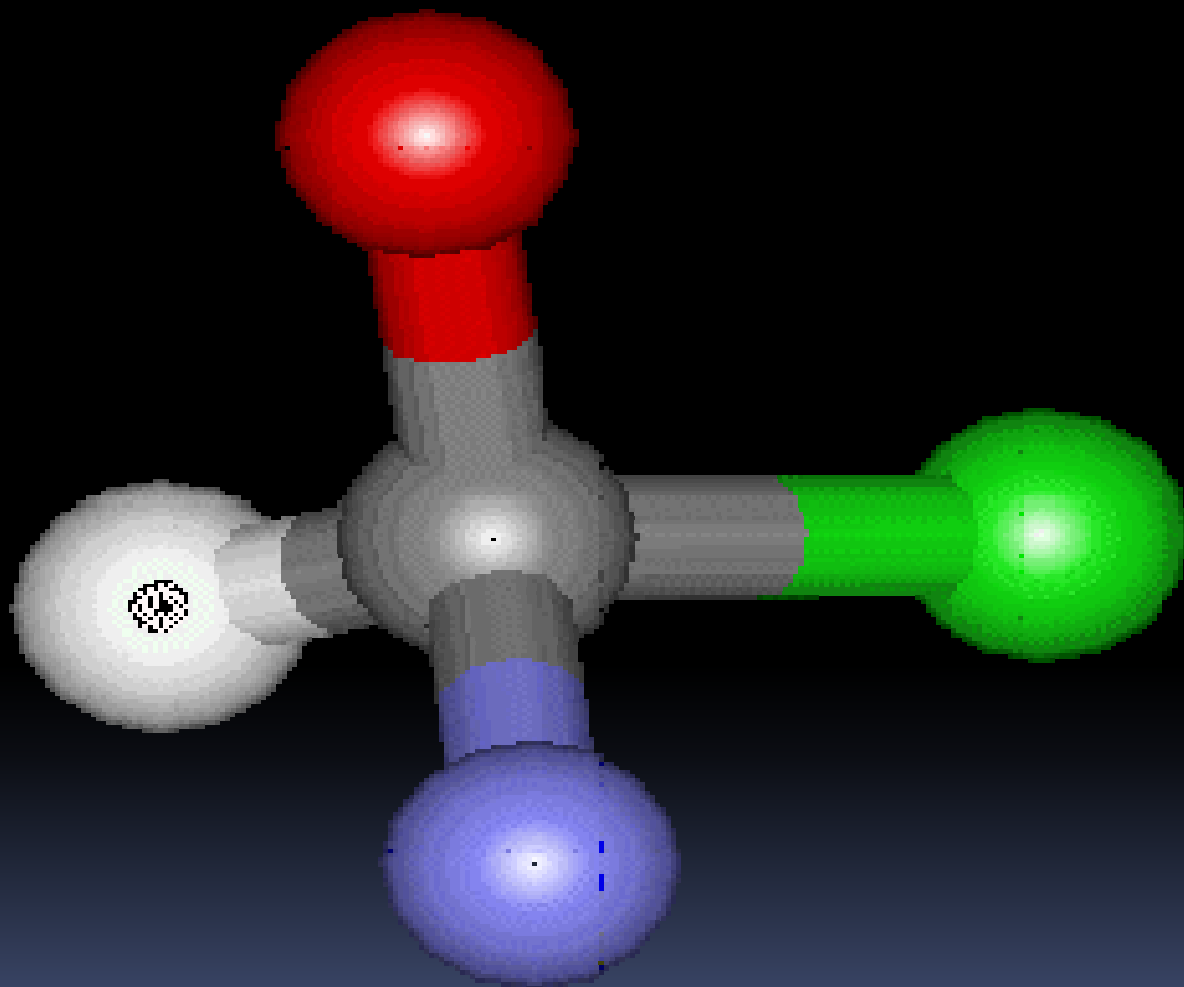
D-GLUCOSE , D-FRUCTOSE, D-RIBOSE...

MOST NATURALLY OCCURRING SUGARS ARE D-TYPE.




# Asymmetric carbon

- A carbon linked to four different atoms or groups farthest from the carbonyl carbon
- Also called **Chiral** carbon



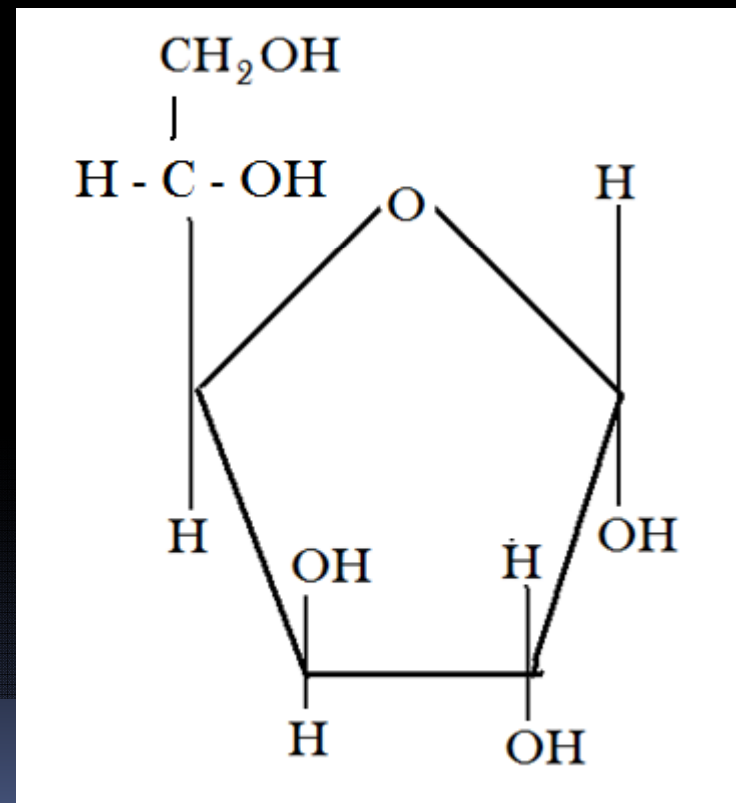
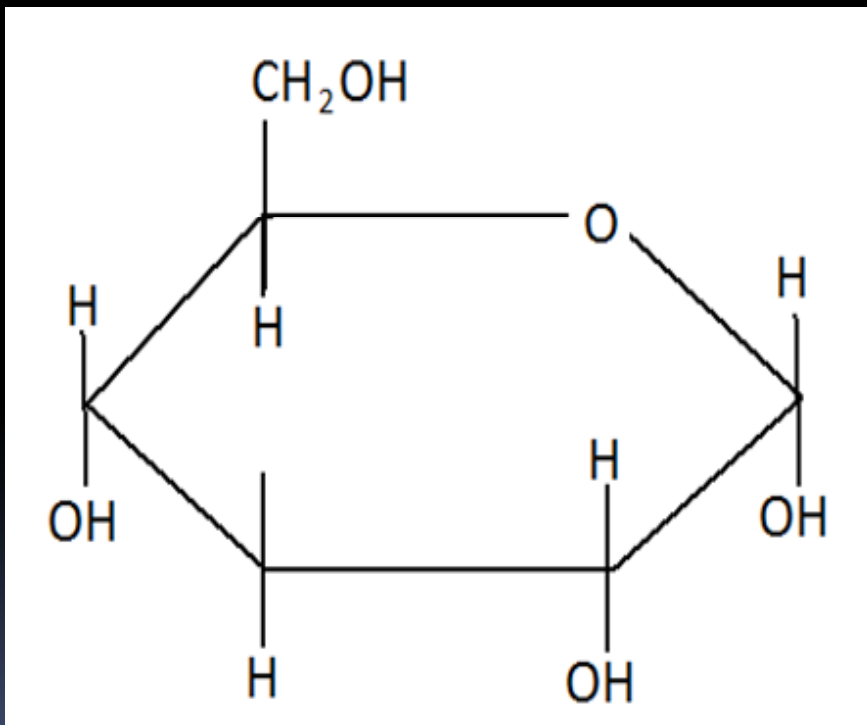
# Cyclization

- Less than 1% of CHO exist in an open chain form.
- Predominantly found in **ring form**.
- involving reaction of C-5 OH group with the C-1 aldehyde group or C-2 of keto group.

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- Six membered ring structures are called **Pyranoses** .
  - five membered ring structures are called **Furanoses** .

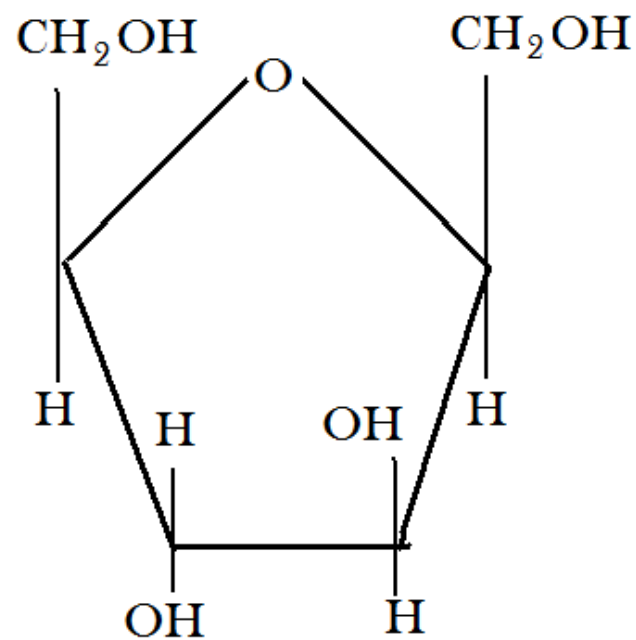
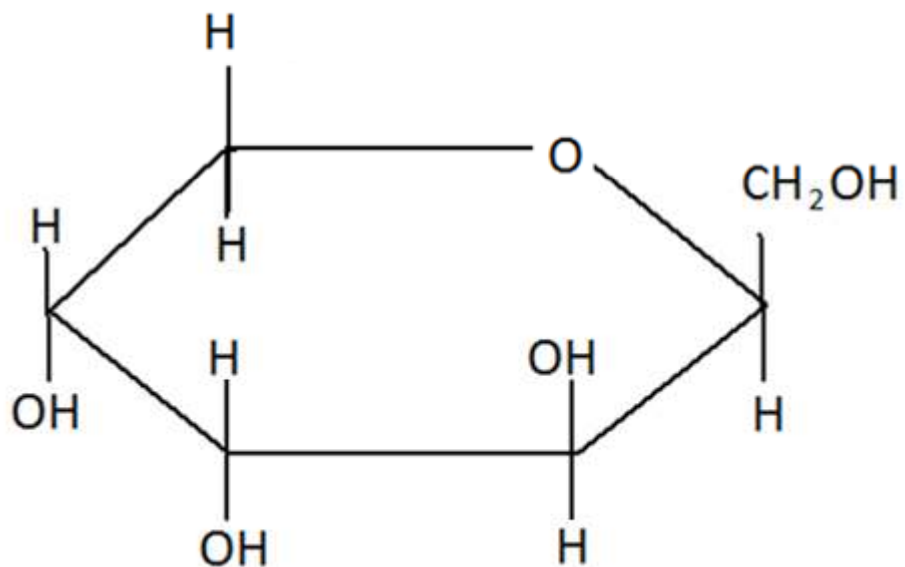
# PYRANOSE-FURANOSE ISOMERISM

## $\alpha$ -D-GLUCOPYRANOSE & $\alpha$ -D-GLUCOFURANOSE

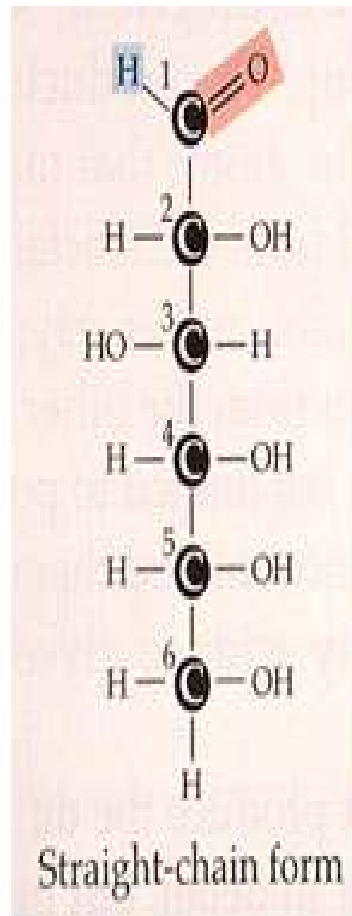


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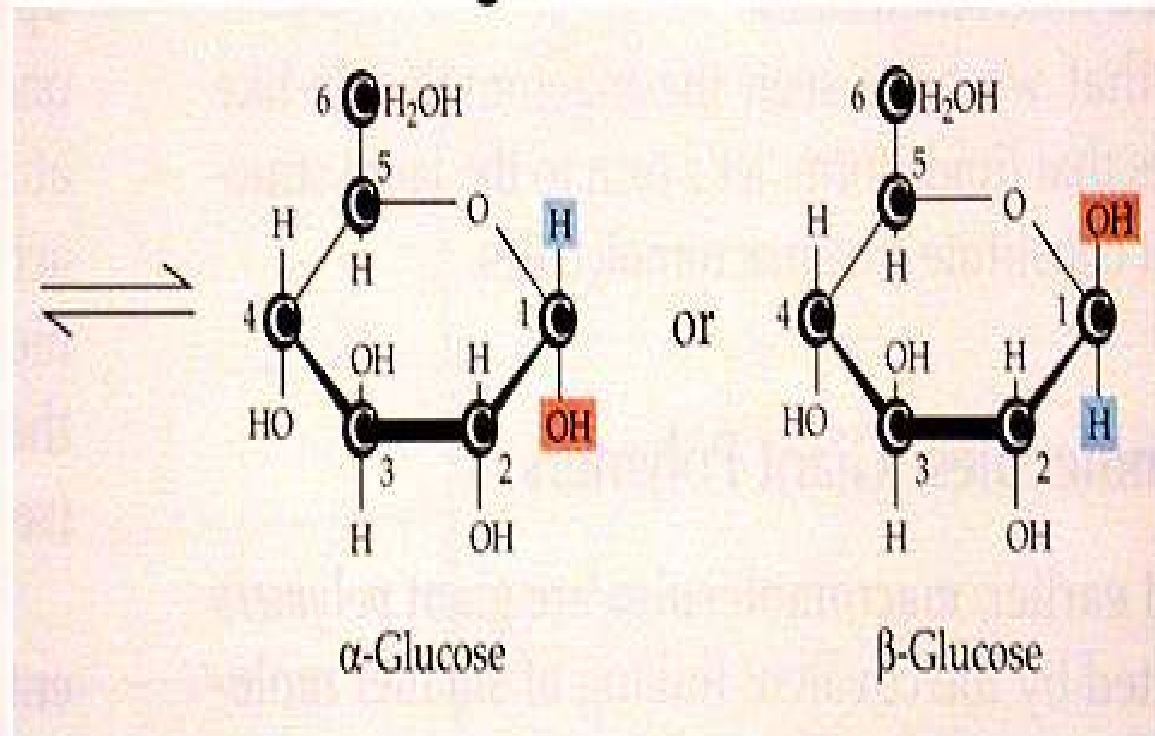
## $\alpha$ -D-FRUCTOPYRANOSE & $\alpha$ -D-FRUCTOFURANOSE







ring form



# Anomeric carbon

- The carbonyl carbon after cyclization becomes the anomeric carbon.
- This creates  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  configuration.
- In  $\alpha$  configuration the OH is on the same of the ring in fischer projection. In Haworths it is on the trans side of CH<sub>2</sub>OH.

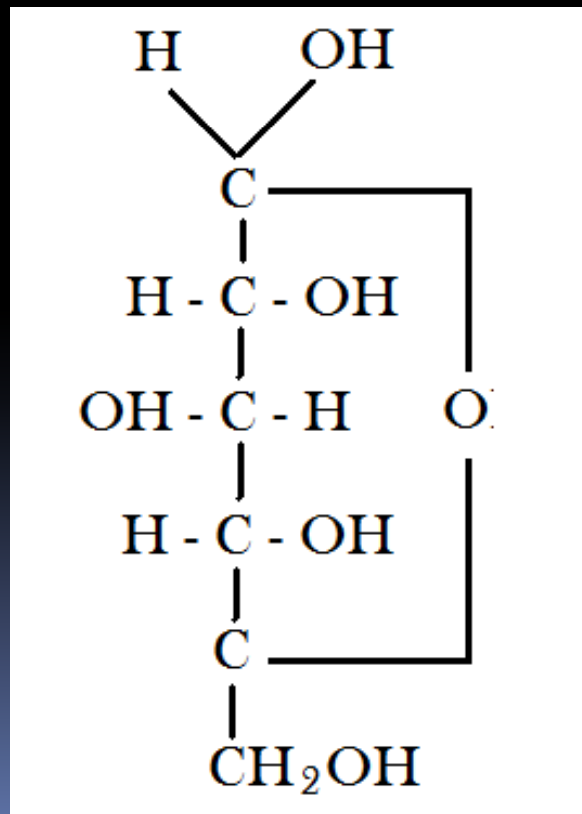
# RING STRUCTURE OF GLUCOSE

## HEMI-ACETAL OR HEMI-KETAL LINKAGE

$\alpha$ -D-GLUCOSE.

CLOSED RING STRUCTURE

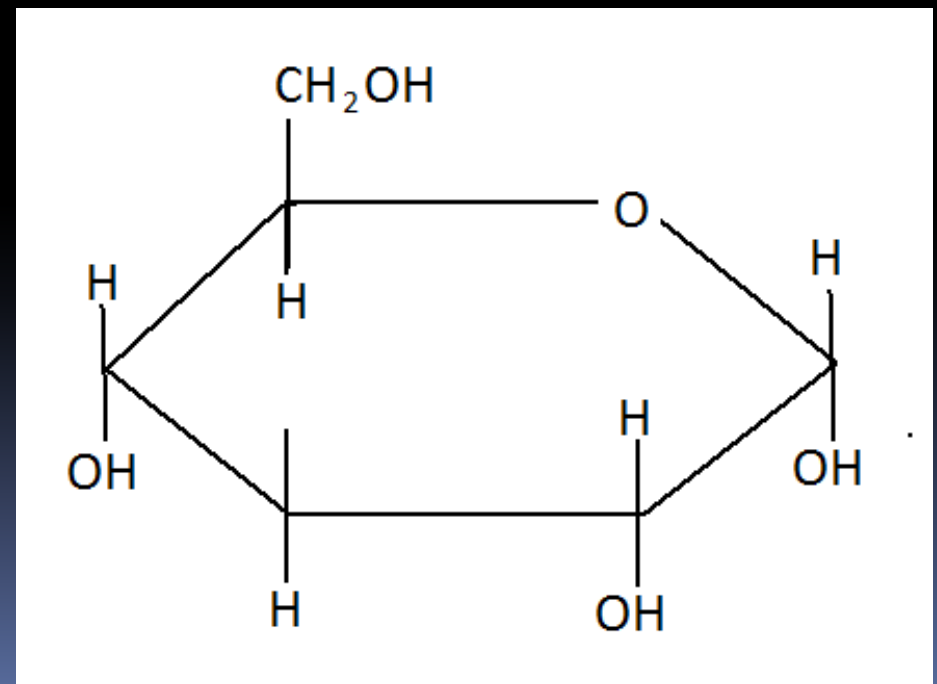
(FISCHER FORMULA)



PYRANOSE RING STRUCTURE (HAWORTH FORMULA)

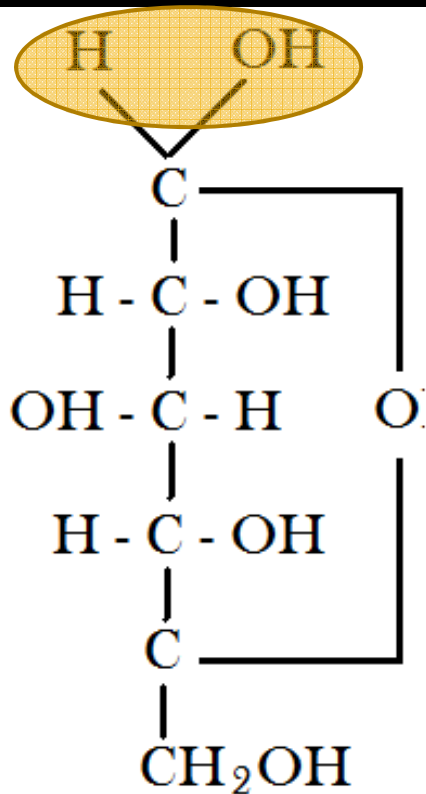
GLUCOSE CAN HAVE PYRAN OR FURAN

RING BUT PYRAN RING IS MORE PREDOMINANT.

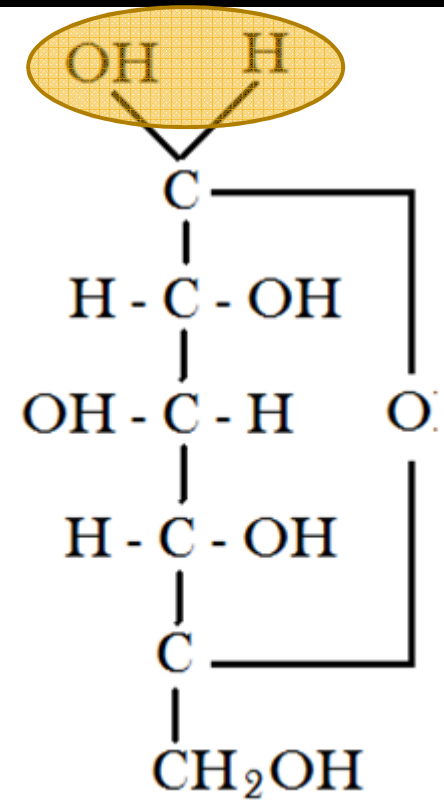


# ANOMERS

POSITION OF -OH GROUP ON ANOMERIC CARBON IN  
RELATION TO PRIMARY ALCOHOL GROUP



$\beta$ -D-GLUCOPYRANOSE

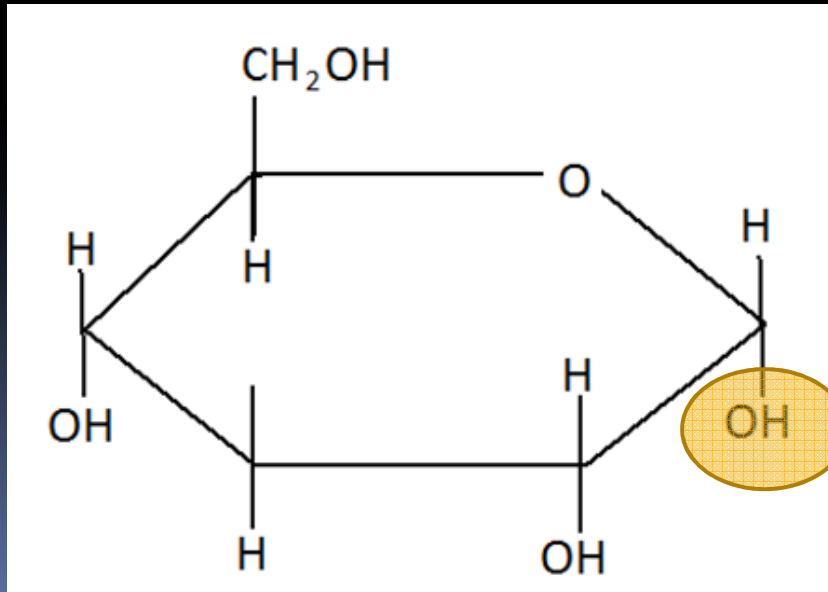


$\alpha$ -D-GLUCOPYRANOSE<sub>44</sub>

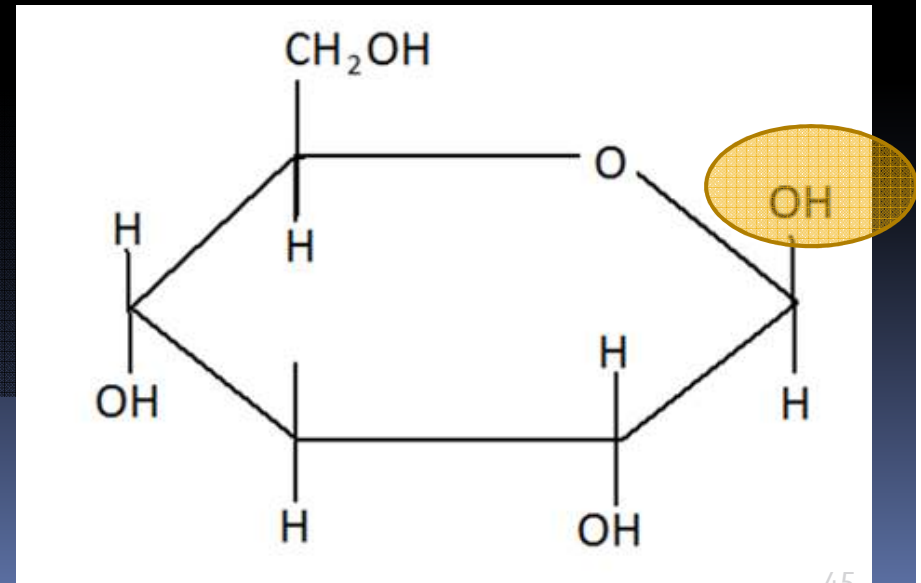
# ANOMERS

SHOWN IN PYRANOSE RING STRUCTURE

$\alpha$ -D-GLUCOPYRANOSE



$\beta$ -D-GLUCOPYRANOSE



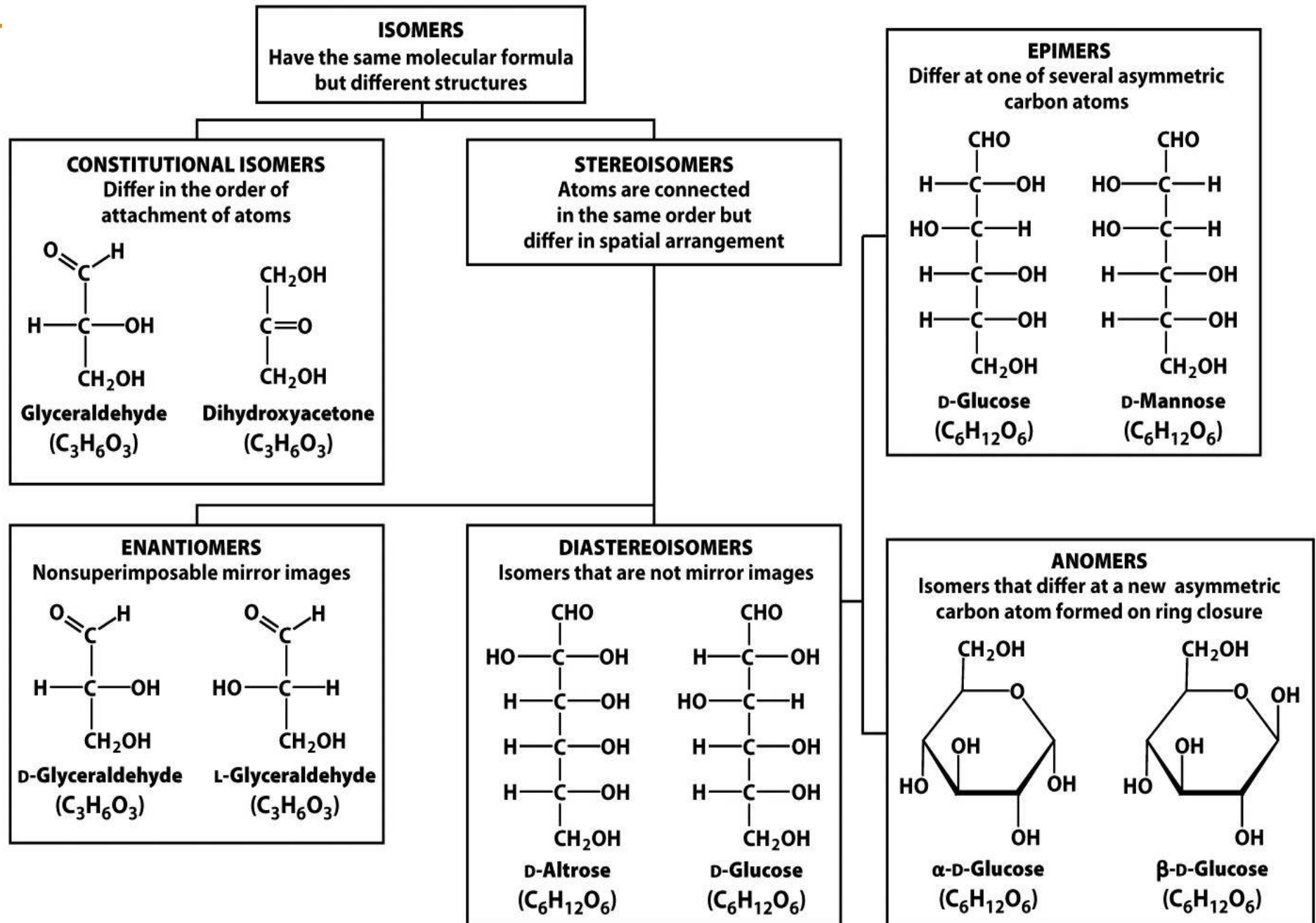


Figure 9.1

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# SUGARS EXHIBIT VARIOUS FORMS OF ISOMERISM

- Two broad types:

## STEREO-ISOMERISM & OPTICAL ISOMERISM

- Stereo-isomers have same structural formula but different spatial configuration.
- No. of possible isomers of a compound is  $2^n$  where 'n' is the no. of asymmetric carbon atoms.

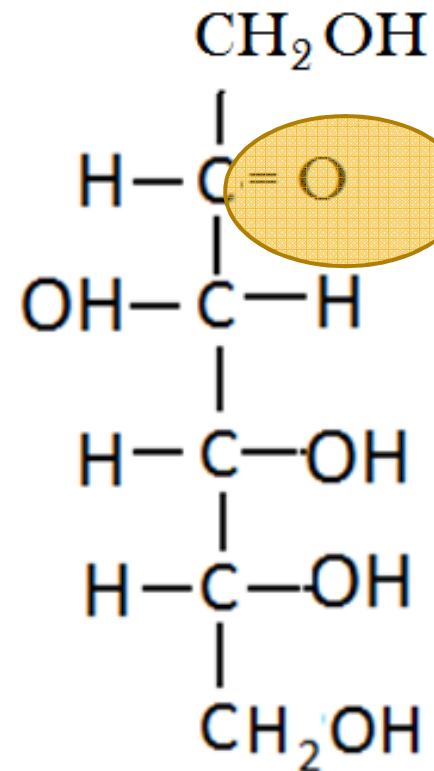
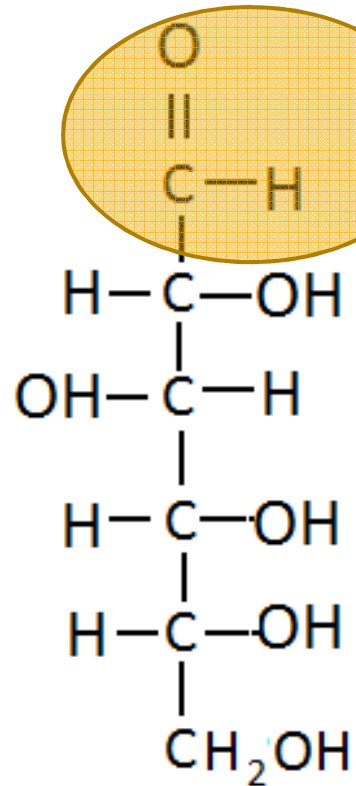
# STEREO-ISOMERISM

1. D-L ISOMERISM.
2. PYRANOSE – FURANOSE ISOMERISM.
3. ANOMERS .
4. EPIMERS.
5. ALDOSE- KETOSE ISOMERISM.



# ALDOSE- KETOSE ISOMERISM

## GLUCOSE & FRUCTOSE



# OPTICAL - ISOMERISM

- BASED ON ROTATION OF PLANE POLARISED LIGHT WHEN IT PASSES THROUGH A SOLUTION OF A CARBOHYDRATE.
- CALLED 'd' OR (+) WHEN plane of light TURNS RIGHT or clockwise (dextrorotatory)
- CALLED 'l' OR (-) WHEN plane of light TURNS LEFT or counter-clockwise (levorotatory)

# OPTICAL - ISOMERISM

- Glucose is dextrorotatory while fructose is levorotatory
- Glucose also called **dextrose** & fructose also called **laevulose** because of optical activity.
- When equal amounts of d & l isomers are present, activity of each isomer will cancel one another.
- Such a mixture is called **racemic mixture**.

