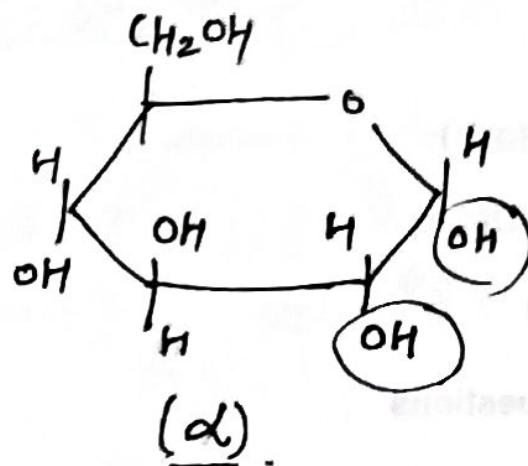
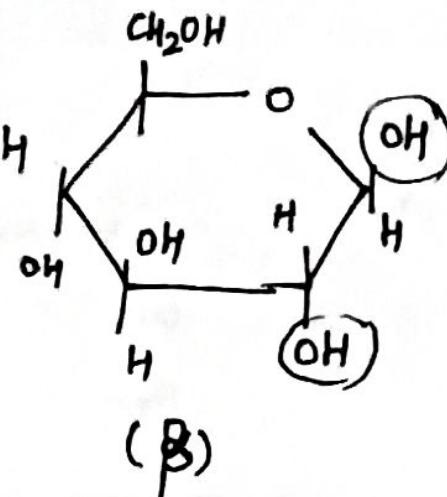


which form of glucose is more stable ??

(a) α -glucose

β glucose (c) open chain (d) All are equally stable

Soln.



The two circled OH groups in α group repel each other which leads to instability of molecule. Thus, β form is more stable than α . Similarly, cyclic form is more stable than open chain due to entropy factor.

So, β -D-glucose is most stable.