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Haloalkanes & Haloarenes

Haloalkanes and haloarenes are the hydrocarbons in which one or more hydrogen atoms have been replaced with halogen atoms. The primary difference between haloalkanes and haloarenes is that haloalkanes are derived from open-chain hydrocarbons (alkanes) whereas haloarenes are derived from aromatic hydrocarbons.



Bromochlorodifluoromethane

Halon: Halon, a chemical compound formerly used in firefighting. A halon may be group of organohalogen compounds containing bromine and fluorine and one or two carbons.

The effectiveness of halons in extinguishing fires arises from their action in interrupting chain reactions that propagate the combustion process.



Haloalkanes & Haloarenes

 DDT (Dichloro-Diphenyl Trichloroethane): DDT, a synthetic insecticide belonging to the family of organic halogen compounds, highly toxic toward a wide variety of insects as a contact poison.







Halothane is used as an anaesthetic during surgery.

It contains **fluorine**, **chlorine**, **and bromine**.



Halothane

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Chloramphenicol – Chlorine containing antibiotic

Used for the treatment of typhoid fever



Haloalkanes and Haloarenes

Haloalkanes/haloarenes are compounds in which **at least one halogen atom replaces hydrogen atom** of an alkane/aromatic compound.















Polyhaloalkane/Polyhaloarene

Number of halogens (X) present in the compound



Polyhalogen compounds can be named as **tri, tetra**, etc.

Trihaloarene



Hybridisation of 'C' in C—X bond

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Compound containing sp³ C-X bond

Alkyl halides

Allylic halides

Benzylic halides

Alkyl halides

Primary (1°)

Secondary (2°)

Tertiary (3°)

Primary Alkyl halides

Number of carbons attached to the C-atom of sp³ C-X bond



Primary (1°)

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Secondary Alkyl halides

Number of carbons attached to the C-atom of sp³ C-X bond



R"----X | H

Secondary (2°)

Tertiary Alkyl halides

Number of carbons attached to the C-atom of sp³ C-X bond



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Tertiary (3°)

Allylic halides

Halogen atom bonded to an sp³-C atom which is directly attached to a carbon-carbon double bond (C=C)



Allylic carbon



Benzylic halides

Halogen atom bonded to a sp³-C atom which is directly attached to a **benzene ring.**

Benzylic carbon





Compound containing sp² C-X bond



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Vinylic halides

Halogen atom is attached to a sp^2 -C atom of C=C.

Aryl halides

Halogen atom is **bonded to a sp²-C atom** of an aromatic ring.









(c) Allyl chloride

(b) Chlorobenzene

(d) Both (a) and (b)

Solution

X = Cl; Allyl chloride

X = Br; E X = Cl; C

X = Br; Bromobenzene X = Cl; Chlorobenzene

Bromobenzene and chlorobenzene are aryl halide as halogen atom is **bonded to a sp²-C atom** of an aromatic ring, while allyl chloride is not. **Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.**



When two halogens are attached to same carbon atom, it is known as:

(a)	vic-dihalide	(b)	gem-dihalide	
(c)	α,ω-dihalide	(d) a	(d) α , β -dihalide	

Solution

Vic-dihalide: In this case the two halogen atoms are on the adjacent carbons. Gem-dihalide: Geminal dihalides are those dihalides in which the two halogen atoms are present on the same carbon atom.

 α, ω -dihalide: If halogen atom is attached to first and fifth carbon atom, such dihalide is called α, ω -dihalide.

 α , β -dihalide: They are the vicinal dihalide (In this case, two halogen atoms are on adjacent carbons).

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.







Option (a) is 2-bromobutane or sec-butyl bromide. So it is incorrect.

Option (b) is 1-bromobutane. So it is incorrect.

Option (c) is 2-bromo-2-methylpropane or tert-butyl bromide. So it is incorrect.

Option (d) is 1-bromo-2-methylpropane or iso-butyl bromide. So it is correct.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.



The IUPAC name of the compound is:



Solution

The parent chain consists of seven carbons. While numbering, chloro group will get the preference so we start numbering from the right side. Hence IUPAC nomenclature of the given compound is **3-chloro-5-ethylheptane.**



(a) $Br - CH = C (CH_3)_2$ (c) $CH_2 = C (CH_3) CH_2 CH_2 Br$

(c) $CH_2 = CH - CH(CH_3) - CH_2Br$ (d) $CH_3 - C(CH_3) = CHCH_2 - Br$

Solution

Option (a): The IUPAC name is 1-bromo-2-methylprop-1-ene. So this is incorrect. Option (b): The IUPAC name is 4-bromo-3-methylbut-1-ene. So this is correct. Option (c): The IUPAC name is 4-bromo-2-methylbut-1-ene. So this is incorrect. Option (d):The IUPAC name is 1-bromo-3-methylbut-2-ene. So this is incorrect. Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.





Solution

The parent chain is cyclohexene. Double bond is given preference over halogen atom. Hence, IUPAC nomenclature of the given compound is **3-bromo-1-chlorocyclohex-1-ene.**



(I) Here, bromine is attached to cyclopentadiene. Double bond is given preference over halogen atom. Hence, IUPAC nomenclature of the given compound is
 5-bromocyclopenta-1,3-diene.

(II) Here, chlorine and methyl group is attached on the benzene ring. Chloro group is given preference over methyl group according to alphabetical order. Hence, IUPAC nomenclature of the given compound is **1-chloro-4-methylbenzene**.



The IUPAC name of the compound is:

$$CH_{3} - CH_{2}Br$$

$$|$$

$$H$$



The parent chain is propane. Halogen atom is given preference over methyl group. Hence, IUPAC nomenclature of the given compound is **1-bromo-2-methylpropane.**



Solution

The parent chain is cyclohexane. There are 4 halogen atoms. Numbering is given according to alphabetical order. Hence, IUPAC nomenclature of the given compound is **2-bromo-1-chloro-3-fluoro-4-iodocyclohexane.**







Halogen atom is attached in the branched chain, so it will be the parent chain. Hence, IUPAC nomenclature of the given compound is (3-chloropentyl)cyclopropane.





Solution

The parent chain is cyclohexane. Numbering is given according to alphabetical order of halogens. Hence, IUPAC nomenclature of the given compound is **1,3-dibromo-5-chlorocyclohexane.**



Solution

Step 1 : Butane means the given molecule has four carbon.

Step 2 : 2-Bromo means bromine group at the second position.

Step 3 : 3-methyl means CH₃ group at third position.







Step 1 : Toluene is the molecule when the benzene ring is attached to the methyl group.

Step 2 : At 2nd position, a chlorine atom is attached to the benzene ring.





The structure for 5-Bromo-3-chlorocyclohex-1-ene is:

Solution

Step 1 : Cyclohex-1-ene means ring of 6 carbons with a double bond.

Step 2 : Number 1 will be given to double bond (alkene), chlorine atom is attached at 3rd position and bromine is attached at 5th position.








The correct statement is:

- (a) Dipole moment only depends on difference in electronegativity between atoms.
- (b) Dipole moment of C-F bond is more than that of C-Cl.
- (c) Bond enthalpy of C-F bond is more than that of C-Cl bond.
- (d) None of these







Option (a) is incorrect as dipole moment depends on both the electronegativity difference and bond length.

Option (b) is incorrect as dipole moment of carbon fluorine is less than that of carbon chlorine bond because of large bond length of carbon chlorine bond.

Option (c) is correct because smaller is the bond length larger will be the bond enthalpy.

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.



- (a) Chloramphenicol is used for the treatment of typhoid fever.
- (b) Malaria is treated using chloroquine.
- (c) Goiter is caused due to the deficiency of iodine containing hormone.
- (d) None of these





Option (a): Chloramphenicol is used for the treatment of typhoid fever. So it cannot be the correct choice.

Option (b): 'Malaria is treated using chloroquine' is the correct statement. So it cannot be the correct choice.

Option (c): 'Goiter is caused due to the deficiency of iodine containing hormones' is the correct statement. So it cannot be the correct choice.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.







Preparation from alcohols

Reagents used Hydrohalic acid, Phosphorus halides and Thionyl chloride





General reaction



Alcohols with Hydrohalic acid (HCI)





A mixture of concentrated hydrochloric acid and anhydrous zinc chloride is called the Lucas reagent.

Alcohols with other hydrohalic acids

HI and HBr are often **generated in situ** from the **halide ion** and an **acid** such as phosphoric or sulfuric acid.



$$CH_3CH_2CH_2OH + HI \longrightarrow CH_3CH_2CH_2I + H_2O$$

HI is generated from KI and H₃PO₄

To prepare HI, KI is not made to react with conc. H_2SO_4 or HNO_3 as they are oxidising agents and thus oxidise iodide ions to iodine (I_2).

Aryl halides **cannot be prepared** from phenol.





Alcohols with phosphorus halides

$$3ROH + PX_3 \longrightarrow 3RX + H_3PO_3 \qquad X \qquad CI, Br, I$$

$$3ROH + PCI_3 \longrightarrow 3RCI + H_3PO_3$$





Short trick











Preparation from hydrocarbons

From Hydrocarbons

From alkanes

From alkenes

Generates a mixture of **mono/poly** haloalkanes



From alkanes

Halogenation of alkanes by **free radical** mechanism







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- According to the mechanism free radical is formed (Sec butyl radical) in the first step.
- Carbon radical is planar in nature and because of this, the attack of Cl radical from both sides is possible (above and below).
- So we will get 50% mixture dextro and 50% laevo, so the resultant mixture will be **racemic in nature.**

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.





A gaseous hydrocarbon 'X' on reaction with bromine in light forms a mixture of two monobromo alkanes and HBr. The hydrocarbon 'X' is:



Solution

Option (a): On monohalogenation it forms only one types of product. So this is not correct choice.

Br

$$CH_3 \longrightarrow CH_3 \xrightarrow{Br_2} CH_3 \longrightarrow CH_3 \longrightarrow CH_2 \longrightarrow Br$$

Option (b): On monohalogenation it only forms three types of product.

$$\frac{Br_2}{hv} \rightarrow \frac{Br}{H} + \frac{H}{H}$$

Option (c): On monohalogenation it only forms two types of products. So this is correct choice.



Option (d): On monohalogenation it only forms four types of product .





The number of possible enantiomeric pairs that can be produced during monochlorination of 2-methylbutane is:

a)	3	b)	4
C)	1	d)	2

Solution

It has four types of products on monochlorination.





Preparation of Halo Compounds Addition of HX Addition of HBr to an unsymmetrical alkene (Markovnikov's rule) Addition of HBr to a symmetrical alkene Example $CH_3 \longrightarrow CH_2 \longrightarrow CH_2 \longrightarrow$ -Br **Minor product** $H_2C = CH_2 + HBr$ $CH_3 - CH = CH_2 + HBr$ $CH_3 - CH - CH_3$ Br CH_2 — CH₂ **Major product** Η Br



Addition of X₂

Halogens (Cl₂, Br₂) add up to alkenes to form **vicinal dihalides**.



Addition of halogens to alkenes is an example of **electrophilic addition reaction.**

> Involves halonium ion formation



Addition of halogens to alkenes is an example of electrophilic addition reaction.

Involves halonium ion formation






Halogen exchange method is used to obtain alkyl halides by Finkelstein Swarts reaction reaction

Preparation by halogen exchange

Finkelstein reaction

Acetone

 RX + NaI
 RI + NaX

X: Cl, Br

Unlike Nal, NaCl or NaBr is **not soluble** in acetone.



When RCI or RBr is treated with a solution of **NaI** in acetone

Equilibrium is shifted by the **precipitation** of NaCl or NaBr





The major product of the following reaction is:



Solution

On attack of H⁺, there are two possibilities of forming the carbocation. (I) Secondary carbocation (II) Secondary carbocation and benzylic too. This forms major product as it is more stable.





The product obtained by treating:

$$CH_{3}CH = CH_{2} + HBr \longrightarrow$$
a)
$$CH_{3} - CH_{2} - CH_{2}Br$$
b)
$$CH_{3} - CH - CH_{3} \longrightarrow$$
Br
c)
$$CH_{2}BrCH = CH_{2}$$
d)
$$CH_{3} - CH = CHBr$$
Solution

On attack of H⁺, there are two possibilities of forming the carbocation. (I) Secondary carbocation (More stable) - It forms major product. (II) Primary carbocation (less stable) - It forms minor product.



Major product

 $H_3C - CH - CH_2$

Minor product

 $H_3C - CH - CH_2$

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.



- a) Finkelstein reaction
- c) Free radical fluorination

- b) Swarts reaction
- d) All of the above

Solution

Swarts Reaction is used for the preparation of alkyl fluorides.

R-Br/R-CI \longrightarrow R-F Reagents AgF, CoF₂, Hg₂F₂

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.



Lucas reagent is:

a) Anhy. AlCl₃ + conc. HCl

c) Anhy. ZnCl₂

b) Anhy. $AICl_3 + conc. HNO_3$

d) Anhy. ZnCl₂ + conc. HCl

Solution

Anhydrous ZnCl₂ and concentrated HCl is called as Lucas reagent.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.



Lucas test is used for the detection of:

- a) Alcohols
- c) Phenols

- b) Alkyl halides
- d) Aldehydes

Solution

Lucas test is used to distinguish between primary, secondary and tertiary alcohols.

Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.



Assertion: Alkyl iodide can be prepared by treating alkyl chloride/bromide with Nal in acetone. Reason: NaCl/NaBr are soluble in acetone while Nal is not.

- a) If both Assertion and Reason are correct and the Reason is a correct explanation of the Assertion.
- b) If both Assertion and Reason are correct but Reason is not a correct explanation of the Assertion.
- c) If the Assertion is correct but Reason is incorrect.
- d) If both the Assertion and Reason are incorrect.

Solution

- Alkyl iodide can be prepared by treating alkyl chloride/bromide with Nal in acetone. This method is called Finkelstein Reaction. Therefore, assertion is true.
- Nal is soluble in acetone while NaCl and NaBr are not soluble in acetone. Hence the reason statement is false.
- Assertion is correct but Reason is incorrect.

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.



What will be the major product of the following reaction?



Solution

On reaction with PCI₅, alcohol is converted to alkyl halide, HCl and POCI₃.

$$CH_{3} - CH - CH - CH_{3} \xrightarrow{PCl_{5}} CH_{3} - CH - CH - CH_{3} + POCl_{3}$$

$$CH_{3} - CH - CH - CH_{3} + POCl_{3} + POCl_{3} + HCl$$



Which of the following reaction(s) can be used for the preparation of alkyl halides?

(I)
$$CH_3CH_2OH + HCI$$
 anhy. $ZnCl_2$

CH₂CH₂OH + HCI —— (II)

 $(CH_3)_3 COH + HCI$ (111)

(CH₃)₂CHOH + HCl anhy. ZnCl₂ (IV)

- a) (I) and (II) only
- (IV) only b)

(III) and (IV) only C) (I), (III), and (IV) only d)

Solution

The reaction (I) is Lucas test. The product obtained will be alkyl halides.
 The reaction is :

$CH_3CH_2OH + HCl + Anhydrous ZnCl_2 \rightarrow CH_3CH_2Cl + H_2O$

(II) The primary alcohol on reaction with conc. HCl will produce alkyl halide only in the presence of Anhydrous ZnCl₂. Hence The reaction (II) will not produce alkyl halide.

(III) The tertiary alcohol on reaction with conc. HCl will produce the alkyl halide even in the absence of Anhydrous ZnCl₂. Hence The reaction (III) will produce alkyl halide.

The reaction is :

$(CH_3)_3COH + HCI \rightarrow (CH_3)_3CCI + H_2O$

(IV) The reaction (IV) is Lucas test involving secondary alcohol. The product obtained will be alkyl halides. The reaction is :

 $(CH_3)_2 CHOH + HCI + Anhydrous ZnCl_2 \rightarrow (CH_3)_2 CHCI + H_2O$

Reactions (I), (III) and (IV) produces alkyl halides.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.



The compound which reacts fastest with Lucas reagent at room temperature is:

- a) Butan-1-ol b) Butan-2-ol
- c) 2-Methylpropan-1-ol

d) 2-Methylpropan-2-ol

Solution

The rate of reaction of alcohol with Lucas reagent is 3° alcohol > 2° alcohol > 1° alcohol.

- Butan-1-ol is a primary alcohol
- Butan-2-ol is a secondary alcohol
- 2-Methylpropan-1-ol is a primary alcohol
- 2-Methylpropan-2-ol is a tertiary alcohol

Tertiary alcohol reacts with Lucas reagent fastest.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.



- a) 2-Methylpropan-1-ol
- c) Propan-2-ol

- b) Methylpropan-2-ol
- d) Propan-1-ol

Solution

The reaction will be fastest with the alcohol that forms the stable carbocation.

- 2-Methylpropan-1-ol forms primary carbocation
- Methylpropan-2-ol forms tertiary carbocation
- Propan-2-ol forms secondary carbocation
- Propan-1-ol forms primary carbocation

Tertiary carbocation is most stable among others mentioned here.

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.



Halogenation of arenes

Chlorine and bromine in presence of Lewis acid (like AICl₃, FeCl₃) react with benzene by **electrophilic substitution reaction.**

Electrophilic substitution reaction (ESR)





Reactivity of halogens in ESR

Electrophilicity



Via diazonium salts

Diazotisation reaction

Primary aromatic amines react with nitrous acid at low temperature (273-278 *K*) to give aromatic diazonium salts.

Preparation of diazonium salt



Here, primary aromatic amines react with nitrous acid at low temperature (273-278 *K*) to give aromatic diazonium salts. Treatment of diazonium salts with cuprous chloride or bromide leads to aryl chlorides or bromides, respectively.

Sandmeyer Reaction

Treatment of **diazonium salts** with cuprous chloride or bromide leads to aryl chlorides or bromides, respectively.



Replacement of diazonium group with iodine does not require cuprous iodide. It can be done with KI.





A compound 'X' with molecular formula C_7H_8 is treated with Cl_2 in presence of FeCl_3. Which of the following compounds are formed during the reaction?

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Solution

X (C_7H_8) should be toluene. In X, benzene has -C H_3 group attached to it, and C H_3 group is o,p-directing group. Therefore, electrophilic substitution reaction will occur on ortho and para position.



Hence, option (a) the correct answer.



A compound C_7H_8 undergoes the following reactions, the product 'A' and 'B' are:

$$C_7H_8 \xrightarrow{3Cl_2/\Delta} A \xrightarrow{Br_2/FeBr_3} E$$

Solution

Step 1: Since the reaction is occuring in presence of heat then it must be via the free radical mechanism as the electrophilic substitution reaction does not occur in presence of heat and light. So, in presence of Cl_2 , there will be a formation of **benzotrichloride (BTC)** which is the product 'A'.







Step 2: In compound A, the three CI are showing -I effect, so this group will be meta directing in nature. Therefore, the Br atom will substitute the meta hydrogen and we get product 'B' which is **m-bromobenzotrichloride**.





Colour and odour

Generally, alkyl halides are **colourless** in their pure form.

But **bromides & iodides** develop colour when exposed to light.

Generally, volatile halogen compounds have a **sweet smell**.



Polarity and molar mass of the compound

Polarity of **C**—**X** bond

Polarity depends upon both electronegativity difference and distance of bond as well. Thus experimentally:

Polarity of C — X bond Dipole-dipole attraction

Order of van der Waals forces



Let's understand the boiling points of alkyl halides with graphs.



Compounds with higher molar mass have higher boiling points.

Branching of parent chain





Boiling points of haloalkanes vs hydrocarbon

Haloalkanes have greater polarity and higher molar mass compared to parent hydrocarbon. B.P. of haloalkanes is greater than their parent hydrocarbon due to

Strong intermolecular force of attraction (Dipole–dipole and van der Waals forces)


Melting point

Molecules with **better packing** have **higher** melting point.

Para-isomers have high M.P. as compared to their ortho and meta-isomers.





Solubility of haloalkanes in water

Energy required to overcome **attractions between haloalkane molecules** + Energy required to **break H-bonds between H₂O** molecules is **greater** than Energy released when new bonds are setup **between haloalkane and H₂O** molecules

Hence, solubility of haloalkanes in water is low.



Solubility of haloalkanes in organic solvents

Energy required to overcome attractions between haloalkane molecules + Energy required to overcome interactions between organic solvent is nearly same as Energy released when new bonds are setup between haloalkanes & organic solvent

Hence, haloalkanes are **soluble** in organic solvents.



Density

Bromo, iodo, & polychloro derivatives of hydrocarbons are **heavier** than water.

Number of carbon/halogen atoms & atomic mass of the halogen atoms







The correct statement is:

- (a) Molecules with better packing have lower melting point.
- (c) As branching of parent chain increases, boiling point decreases.

Solution

- Option (a) is incorrect as better packing molecules have more melting point.
- Option (b) is incorrect as haloalkanes are soluble in organic solvents.
- Option (c) is correct as boiling point decreases as the branching of parent chain increases due to decrease in surface area.
- Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.

- (b) Haloalkanes are insoluble in organic solvents.
- (d) All of these



Conversion of benzene diazonium chloride to chlorobenzene is an example of which of the following reactions?

(a) Birch reduction

(c) Sandmeyer

(b) Friedel-Crafts

(d) Wurtz

Solution

Conversion of benzene diazonium chloride to chlorobenzene is an example of Sandmeyer's reaction.

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.



Solution

The first step is diazotization which forms chlorobenzene. This reaction is known as Sandmeyer's reaction. So, A will be chlorobenzene.











Which of the following is involved in Sandmeyer's reaction?

- (a) Ferrous salt
- (c) Ammonium salt

- (b) Diazonium salt
- (d) Cuprammonium salt

Solution

Treatment of diazonium salts with cuprous chloride or bromide leads to aryl chlorides or bromides, respectively. This reaction is known as Sandmeyer's reaction. So, diazonium salt is involved in Sandmeyer's reaction.

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.



Which of the following compounds has the highest boiling point?

(a) $CH_{3}CH_{2}CH_{2}CI$ (b) $CH_{3}CH_{2}CH_{2}CH_{2}CI$ (c) $CH_{3}CH(CH_{3})CH_{2}CI$ (d) $(CH_{3})_{3}CCI$

Solution

Higher the molar mass and lesser the branching, higher will be the boiling point.

Option (a) has less boiling point as it has three carbon atoms whereas others have four carbon atoms.

Option (b) has highest boiling point as it contains more number of carbon atoms and less branching when compared to others. Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.



The product(s) of the following reaction is/are _____





- This reaction is electrophilic aromatic substitution.
- Isopropyl group is ortho-para directing group, which is activating group.



• As Isopropyl group is bulky group, it will form para as major product and ortho as minor product.





(a) 1° Aliphatic amine

- (b) 2° Aromatic amine
- (c) 1° Aromatic amine

(d) 1° Aromatic amide

Solution

Primary (1°) aromatic amines react with nitrous acid at low temperature (273-278 K) to give aromatic diazonium salts.





Arrange each set of compounds in increasing order of their boiling points.



Solution

Higher the molar mass, higher will be the boiling point.

- Since bromoform (CHBr₃) has 3 bromines attached to it, it's molar mass will be maximum and hence it will have maximum boiling point.
- Chloromethane has one chlorine attached to it which has less molar mass than bromine. So, it will have lowest boiling point. The order of boiling points will be:

Chloromethane < Bromom

Bromomethane <)

Dibromomethane

Bromoform

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Arrange each set of compounds in increasing order of their boiling points.

Isopropylchloride

?

1-Chloropropane

?

1-Chlorobutane

Solution

Higher the molar mass and lesser the branching, higher will be the boiling point. Isopropyl chloride has lowest boiling point due to more branching and 1-chlorobutane has maximum boiling point due to more number of carbon atoms.

Thus, the order of B.P. will be **isopropylchloride < 1-chloropropane < 1-chlorobutane**.







Solution

points.

Higher the molar mass, higher will be the boiling point.

The order of molar mass of halogens is F < CI < Br < I.

Therefore, the order of boiling point will be **fluoroethane < chloroethane <** bromoethane < iodoethane.



- (a) Boiling points of isomeric dihalobenzenes are almost the same.
- (b) Melting point of para isomer of dichlorobenzene is more than that of ortho and meta isomers.
- (c) Haloalkanes are soluble in organic solvents.
- (d) All of these





Solution

a) Boiling points of isomeric dihalobenzenes are almost the same. So, option (a) is correct.

b) Melting point of para isomer of dichlorobenzene is more than that of ortho and meta isomers due to better packing. So, option (b) is correct.

c) Haloalkanes are soluble in organic solvents. So, option (c) is correct.

d) All the statements are correct.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

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Chemical properties of Halo Compounds

Major reactions of halo compounds

Elimination

Substitution

Nucleophilic substitution

Nucleophilic substitution reaction

Replacement of an atom or group by any other atom or group in a molecule is known as substitution reaction.

If substitution reaction is brought about by a **nucleophile**, then it is known as **nucleophilic substitution reaction**.

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Chemical properties of Halo Compounds

Generally, substitution takes place at **sp³ carbon**.

$$R-lg + Nu^{-} \longrightarrow R-Nu + lg^{-}$$



1. Nucleophile



Ambident Nucleophiles

Some nucleophiles have a pair of electrons on each of **two or more atoms**, or canonical forms can be drawn in which two or more atoms bear an unshared pair of electrons. Nucleophiles which have two attacking sites, one negatively charged and one neutral site, are known as ambident nucleophiles.

 $:C \equiv N:$

Negatively charged

Neutral

Nucleophilicity

Tendency to **give electron pair** to an electron deficient atom.

Criteria for Nucleophilicity



Factors that **increase electron density** at donor atom, increases nucleophilicity.







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Chemical properties of Halo Compounds

Nucleophilicity & Basicity

Nucleophilicity

Measure of how readily a species is able to **attack** an electron-deficient atom.

Basicity

Measure of how well a species **abstracts** a proton.







The most reactive nucleophile among the following is:



Solution

- As the steric hindrance or bulkiness increases, the reactivity decreases.
- The order of nucleophilicity is : (a) > (c) > (d) > (b).

It is due to the participation of a lone pair of O atoms with benzene ring in the +M effect.

Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.



Which of the following is ambident nucleophile?



Solution

 NO_2^- is an ambident nucleophiles as it can donate its lone pair from both nitrogen and oxygen.

Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.

2. Leaving Group

In a reaction in which the substrate molecule becomes **cleaved**, smaller part of it is usually called the leaving group.

> Generally, **leaving** group carries away an electron pair.

Weaker bases are good leaving groups.

Examples



Nucleophilic Substitution Reaction

S_N2

Nucleophilic Substitution Reaction

S_N1

BIMOLECULAR

NUCLEOPHILIC

SUBSTITUTION

Substitution Nucleophilic Bimolecular

 $OH + CH_3 \longrightarrow HO \longrightarrow CH_3 + CI^-$

S_N2 reaction occurs in one step.

Mechanism of S_N2 Reaction



Mechanism of S_N2 Reaction

In the transition state, a bond between nucleophile and carbon is partially formed and the bond between carbon and leaving group is partially broken.



Cannot be isolated

Pentavalent T.S.

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Stereochemistry of S_N2 Reaction

In an S_N2 mechanism, the nucleophile attacks from the **back side**, that is from the side exactly opposite to the leaving group. This causes an **inversion of configuration** at the chiral carbon atom.

Also known as Walden inversion.



Stereochemistry of S_N2 Reaction



Inverted product

δ-

Characteristics of S_N2 Reaction






Nature of alkyl halide

The important reason behind this order of reactivity is **steric effect**.

Very large and bulky groups can often hinder the formation of the required transition state. The crowding raises the energy of the transition state and slows down the rate of reaction.

S_N2 reactivity





Nucleophile approaching methyl alkyl halide

Nucleophile approaching to 1° alkyl halide



Nucleophile approaching 2° Alkyl halide



Nucleophile approaching 3° Alkyl halide





mostly give S_N^2 reaction

Nature of solvent

Polar aprotic solvents have crowded positive centre, so they do not solvate the anion appreciably.

Hence, the rate of S_N2 reactions increases when they are carried out in polar aprotic solvent.



Leaving group ability

A good leaving group **stabilises the transition state** and thereby increases the rate of the reaction.

Relative reactivities of alkyl halides:



Quick Recap of S_N2 Reaction





Which of the following can be used as a solvent in ${\rm S}_{\rm N}^{}2$ reaction?

(a) Acetic acid



Ethanol

(b)

(c) Ammonia

(**d**)

Solution

Polar aprotic solvent increases the rate of S_N^2 reaction. Solvents mentioned in a), b) and c) are polar protic solvent and d) is polar aprotic solvent, so solvent-(d) can be used as solvent in S_N^2 reaction.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.



Arrange the compounds in order of reactivity towards S_N^2 reaction.

1-Bromo-3-methylbutane, 2-Bromo-3-methylbutane and 2-Bromo-2-methylbutane.

Solution

1-Bromo-3-methylbutane : $CH_3CH(CH_3)CH_2CH_2(Br)$ is primary in nature. **2-Bromo-3-methylbutane :** $CH_3CH(CH_3)CH(Br)CH_3$ is secondary in nature. **2-Bromo-2-methylbutane :** $CH_3CH_2C(CH_3)(Br)CH_3$ is tertiary in nature.

The order of reactivity towards S_N^2 reaction of Alkyl halide: $1^0 > 2^0 > 3^0$

Hence, correct order is given as follows: 1-Bromo-3-methylbutane > 2-Bromo-3-methylbutane > 2-Bromo-2-methylbutane.



Which of the following is the correct order of decreasing ${\rm S}_{\rm N}{\rm 2}$ reactivity?

(a) $RCH_2X > R_3CX > R_2CHX$ (c) $R_3CX > R_2CHX > RCH_2X$ (b) $RCH_2X > R_2CHX > R_3CX$ (d) $R_2CHX > R_3CX > RCH_2X$

Solution

The order of reactivity towards S_N^2 reaction of alkyl halide is $1^0 > 2^0 > 3^0$. Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.



 $RX + CN^{-} \rightarrow RCN + X^{-}$

The KCN will dissociate as K^+ and CN^- ; So CN^- will attack the R group as it has a partial positive charge because of the electronegative nature of halogen so we get RCN and X⁻.





AgCN + RX \rightarrow RNC + X⁻

In case of AgCN, there is covalent bond between Ag and C, this CN⁻ is no longer available for attack on alkyl group.

So lone pair of nitrogen will attack, although the nucleophilicity of nitrogen is poor in comparison to carbon as the former is more electronegative in nature. The attack from lone pair of nitrogen on alkyl group will generate the alkyl isocyanide.

Hence, A is RCN (alkyl cyanide), B is RNC (alkyl isocyanide).



$$RX + KNO_2 \longrightarrow A$$
$$RX + AgNO_2 \longrightarrow B$$

Solution

The KNO₂ will dissociate as K⁺ and ONO⁻; So, ONO⁻, the oxygen which is having a negative charge will attack the R group as it has a partial positive charge because of the electronegative nature of halogen so we get RONO and X⁻.

 $KNO_2 \rightarrow K^+ + ONO^-$ RX + ONO⁻ \rightarrow RONO + X⁻



In case of AgNO₂, there is covalent bond between Ag and N, this ONO⁻ is no longer available for attack on alkyl group..

So lone pair of nitrogen will attack.

The attack from lone pair of nitrogen on alkyl group will generate the nitro alkane.

 $AgNO_2 + RX \rightarrow RNO_2 + X^-$

Hence, A is RONO (Alkyl nitrite), B is RNO₂ (Nitro Alkane).



Consider the reaction, $CH_3CH_2CH_2Br + NaCN \longrightarrow CH_3CH_2CH_2CN + NaBr$ This reaction will be the fastest in:

(a) Ethanol (b) Methanol

(c) *N*,*N*-Dimethylformamide (DMF) (d) Water

Solution

The reaction $CH_{3}CH_{2}CH_{2}Br + NaCN \rightarrow CH_{3}CH_{2}CH_{2}CN + NaBr$ being a S_N2 reaction, will be fastest in a polar aprotic solvent. So correct choice is DMF.

Hence, the correct answer is option(c).



The product of given reaction is:



The reaction will proceed via the S_N^2 mechanism and there will be inversion of configuration. So we get the product as mentioned below.





In a S_N^2 substitution reaction of the type

$$R - Br + Cl^{-} \xrightarrow{DMF} R - Cl + Br^{-}$$

Which one of the following has the highest relative rate?







Solution

The alpha carbon of all the options are primary so to decide the rate we need to study the beta carbon.

Option (a) CH_3 -C(CH_3)₂-CH₂-Br : The beta carbon in this case is quaternary so steric hindrance is there that is why it is not having the fastest rate.

Option (b) CH_3 - CH_2 -Br : The beta carbon in this case is primary and, it is methyl, the smallest alkyl group so steric hindrance is least. That is why it is having the **fastest** rate.





Option (c) $CH_3 - CH_2 - CH_2 - Br$: The beta carbon in this case is primary and, it is ethyl alkyl group. So more steric hindrance is there compared to methyl group. That is why it is not having the fastest rate.

Option (d) CH_3 - $CH(CH_3)$ - CH_2 -Br : The beta carbon in this case is secondary so steric hindrance is there. That is why it is not having the fastest rate.

So, the increasing order of rate is: a) < d) < c) < b).

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.



Tertiary alkyl halides are practically inert to substitution by S_N^2 mechanism because of:

- (a) Steric hindrance
- (c) Instability

Solution

Tertiary alkyl halides are practically inert to substitution by S_N^2 mechanism because of steric hindrance only.

Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.





Out of the following the best leaving group is:



Solution

Down the group, basic character decreases and the leaving capacity increases. So, iodide ion is the best choice.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer. The order follows: (a) < (c) < (b) < (d).

Substitution Nucleophilic Unimolecular

S_N2

Nucleophilic Substitution Reaction

S_N1

UNIMOLECULAR

NUCLEOPHILIC

SUBSTITUTION

Substitution Nucleophilic Unimolecular





Mechanism of S_N1 Reaction



Rate Determining Step (RDS)

If one step in a multistep reaction is **intrinsically slower** than all the others, then the rate of the overall reaction will be essentially the same as the rate of this slowest step.

This slowest step is called the rate-limiting step or the rate determining step.



Rate Determining Step (RDS)



Characteristics of S_N1 Reactions

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Carbocation intermediate is formed, so rearrangement is possible in S_N^1 reaction.

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Rate of S_N^1 reaction is **independent** of concentration and nature of **nucleophile**.

Characteristics of S_N1 Reactions

Rate ∝ [Alkyl Halide]

First step must be the slow and ratedetermining step.









Which of the following gives the fastest S_N1 reaction?

(a)
$$CH_3 - CI$$
 (b) $CH_3 - CH_2 - C$







Solution

Option (a) CH_3 -CI: The alkyl halide is primary in nature. Option (b) CH_3 - CH_2 -CI: The alkyl halide is primary in nature. Option (c) CH_3 - $CH(CH_3)$ -CI: The alkyl halide is secondary in nature. Option (d) CH_3 - $C(CH_3)_2$ -CI: The alkyl halide is tertiary in nature.

S_N1 reactivity



Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.



Which of the following gives the fastest S_N^1 reaction?







Solution

Option (a) CH_3 -CI: The alkyl halide is primary in nature. Option (b) CH_3 - CH_2 -CI: The alkyl halide is tertiary in nature. Option (c) CH_3 - $CH(CH_3)$ -CI: The alkyl halide is secondary in nature. Option (d) CH_3 - $C(CH_3)_2$ -CI: The alkyl halide is secondary in nature.



Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.
Factors Affecting S_N1 Reaction

Nature of nucleophile

Rate of S_N1 reaction is **unaffected** by the **concentration** of the nucleophile. Mostly, solvents (protic) itself function as nucleophiles in S_N^1 reaction, so S_N^1 reaction is termed as **solvolysis reaction**.

Weak and neutral nucleophile favours S_N1 reaction.



Factors Affecting S_N1 Reaction

Nature of solvent

Using a polar protic solvent will greatly increase the rate of carbocation formation of an alkyl halide in any S_N1 reaction because of its ability to solvate cations and anions effectively.





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Factors Affecting S_N1 Reaction

RCI

Leaving group Ability

In the S_N^1 reaction, the leaving group begins to acquire a **negative charge**.

Stabilisation of this developing negative charge on the leaving group **increases** the rate of reaction.

RBr

RI

Relative reactivities of alkyl halides

RF

Stereochemistry of $S_N 1$ Reaction

In the S_N1 mechanism, the carbocation intermediate is sp² hybridised and planar.

A nucleophile can attack on the carbocation from either face. If reactant is chiral, then attack of nucleophile from both faces gives enantiomers as the product, which is called racemisation.

Stereochemistry of $S_N 1$ Reaction



Stereochemistry of $S_N 1$ Reaction



But practically, we get slightly higher proportion of inverted product in S_N^1 reaction.

Stereochemistry of S_N1 Reaction

Intimate ion pair

Carbocation

Leaving group

Stereochemistry of S_N1 Reaction

Nucleophile

Inversion of configuration (>50%)

Retention of configuration (< 50%)



In a S_N^1 reaction, on a chiral centre, there is:

(a) CH₃O⁻
(b) Inversion more than retention leading to partial racemisation
(c) 100% inversion
(d) 100% retention

Solution

Practically, we get a slightly higher proportion of inverted product in S_N^1 reaction because of formation of intimate ion pair and resistance offered by leaving group to the incoming nucleophile.

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.

Example of $S_N 1$ Reaction



Quick Recap of S_N1 Reaction





Which of the following compounds can show S_N^1 reaction?



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Solution

Option (a) Cation formation occurs at vinyl position which is not stable so this reaction will not proceed by $S_N 1$.

Option (b) Cation formation occurs at phenyl position which is not stable so this reaction will not proceed by $S_N 1$.

Option (c) Cation formation occurs at Bridge head position which is not stable according to Bredt's rule so this reaction will not proceed by $S_N 1$.

Option (d) Cation formation occurs at secondary carbon which is stable so this reaction will proceed by $S_N 1$.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

Which of the following compounds will undergo racemisation when they undergo hydrolysis?



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(a) (I) and (II)(c) (III) and (IV)

(b) (II) and (IV)(d) Only (IV)

Solution

Compound containing chiral carbon can undergo racemisation. Hence, due to chirality only compound (iv) will undergo racemisation.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.







Major product for the following reaction:



Solution

This reaction is very slow, if we add $AgNO_3$ then the rate of reaction will increase; iodide ion will form the compound AgI with $AgNO_3$ and secondary carbocation will be formed, the formed carbocation will stabilize by methyl shift.



After methyl shift we will get the tertiary carbocation (Most stable); H_2O will attack on the carbocation and we will get the final desired product.





Consider the reaction:



The mechanisms of reactions (i) and (ii) are respectively:(a) S_N^1 and S_N^2 (b) S_N^1 and S_N^1 (c) S_N^2 and S_N^2 (d) S_N^2 and S_N^1



Solution

In reaction (i) if mechanism will S_N^1 then product will form after the formation of carbocation and definitely hydride will shift and product obtained will be different from given; So, the product formation will be favoured by S_N^2 mechanism.

In Reaction (ii) $C_2H_5O^{-}$ [Strong nucleophile] will directly attack the reactant and product will be formed via S_N^2 mechanism.

 S_N^1 reactions nearly always involve weak nucleophiles, because strong nucleophiles are too reactive to allow a carbocation to form.

Because the nucleophile is involved in the rate-determining step of S_N^2 reactions, stronger nucleophiles react faster.

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.



Which of the following is least reactive in S_N^1 reaction?

(a) $(CH_3)_3 CCI$ (b) $H_2 C = CHCI$ (c) $H_3 C - CH_2 CI$ (d) $H_2 C = CHCH_2 CI$

Solution

Here, in S_N^1 reaction carbocation will be formed. So, less stable is the carbocation, less will be the reactivity towards S_N^1 reaction.

Vinyl carbocation will be the least stable, so vinyl chloride will be the least reactive towards S_N^1 reaction. Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.



Which of the following can undergo reaction via S_N1 mechanism?

- (a) Benzyl chloride(c) tert-Butyl chloride
- (b) Allyl chloride(d) <u>All of these</u>

Solution

The reactant which will form stable carbocation can undergo reaction via S_N^1 mechanism. Here all the given compounds will form the stable carbocation. So, all of these can undergo reaction via S_N^1 mechanism.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.



For the following solvolysis reaction, give the major products:



lodide ion will form the compound AgI with $AgNO_3$ and secondary carbocation will be formed, and secondary carbocation will stabilised by the hydride shift.

After hydride shift we will get the tertiary carbocation (Most stable); H_2O will attack on the carbocation and we will get the final major product.







In an elimination reaction, two atoms or groups (WX) are removed from the substrate, generally resulting into formation of π bond.

β-Elimination Reaction

Also known as 1,2-elimination



When two groups are removed from adjacent atoms so that a new π bond is formed

β-Elimination Reaction in Mono Haloalkanes





In the E2 mechanism, two groups **depart simultaneously**, with the proton being pulled off by a base.

Elimination of a hydrogen and halogen from an alkyl halide to form an alkene

Can take place by E2 mechanism

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Dehydrohalogenation



$$C_2H_5O^- + CH_3CHBrCH_3 \xrightarrow{\Delta} CH_2 = CH - CH_3 + C_2H_5OH + Br^-$$











Characteristics of E2 Reaction

It is a **single-step bimolecular** reaction.

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It is a **second order** reaction.

Rate ∝ [R-X] [Base]

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Here, **β-H is eliminated** by the base. Hence it is known as **β-elimination.**

The orientation of the proton and

the leaving group should be anti.

If two or more elimination products are possible, the product with the most highly substituted double bond will predominate (Saytzeff's rule).

Rearrangement is **not**

possible.

Dehydrohalogenation



Characteristics of E2 Reaction

Reactivity towards E2

Rate of E2 reaction





Stability of Alkenes Governs the Rate of E2 Reaction



Nature of Alkyl Halide and Nature of Base



halide

halide

halide

Rate of E2 reaction depends on the **concentration** of the base.

A strong base favours E2 reaction.

Nature of the Solvent and Leaving Group Ability of Alkyl halides

Choice of solvent depends on reagent taken.

Example: EtO⁻ is taken in EtOH

Weaker bases are good leaving group

Relative **reactivities** of alkyl halides



Quick Recap of E2 Reaction




Which among the following is the most reactive towards alcoholic KOH?

- CH₃CH₂Br (a) $H_{c}C = CHBr$ **(b)** CH,CH,CH,Br (d)
- CH₂COCH₂CH₂Br **(C)**

Solution

Option (a) vinylic carbocation is unstable so option a is ruled out. **Option (b)** on reaction with alcoholic KOH gives ethene. **Option (d)** on reaction with alcoholic KOH gives propene. **Option (c)** on reaction with alcoholic KOH gives α , β - unsaturated ketone which is conjugated in nature and hence becomes more stable.

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.

Major product (X) for the following reaction is:



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Solution

1-Methylcyclopentene is the major product and 1-methylenecyclopentane is the minor product. This is an example of an E2 elimination reaction.



Unimolecular Reaction

E1 reaction is a two step process. The rate-determining step (RDS) is ionisation of the substrate to give a carbocation that rapidly loses a β-proton to a base, usually the solvent.



Mechanism of E1 Reaction

Step 1 Formation of carbocation



Mechanism of E1 Reaction

Step 1: Formation of carbocation





Characteristics of E1 Reaction



Rate of reaction **carbocation**









Nature of solvent

The use of a **polar protic solvent** will greatly **increase** the rate of carbocation formation of an alkyl halide in any E1 reaction because of its ability to **solvate cations and anions** effectively.

$$R - X \subset R^+ + X^-$$



Nature of solvent





R-I

Leaving group ability

In an E1 reaction, the leaving group begins to acquire a **negative charge**.

Relative **reactivities** of alkyl halides

The stabilisation of this developing negative charge on the leaving group increases the rate of reaction.

 >
 R-Br
 >
 R-CI
 >
 R-F



E1 and S_N1 respond in similar ways to the factors affecting reactivities because both the reactions proceed through the formation of a carbocation.

Increasing the **temperature** of the reaction favours reaction by the **E1 mechanism** at the expense of the **S_N1 mechanism**.



a) It is a two-step process

- b) Rearrangement is possible
- C) Good leaving groups are favoured

d) All of these

Solution

E1 reaction is a two-step process and here rearrangement is possible and also good leaving groups are favoured.

Therefore, option (d) is the correct answer.







 CH_3 - CH_2 - $CH(CH_3)$ - CH_2CI on reaction with alc. KOH will produce CH_3 - CH_2 - $C(CH_3)$ = CH_2 as the product.

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{CH}_{3} - \mathsf{CH}_{2} - \mathsf{CH} - \mathsf{CH}_{2} - \mathsf{CI} & \xrightarrow{\mathsf{Alc. KOH}} & \mathsf{CH}_{3} - \mathsf{CH}_{2} - \mathsf{C} = \mathsf{CH}_{2} \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & &$$



The intermediate of E2 reaction is:

a) Carbocation

b) Carbanion

c) Free radical

d) Intermediate is not formed



E2 mechanism is a single step process, so only transition state is formed in E2 reaction but no intermediate is there.

Thus, option (d) is the correct answer.



Solution

For E2 reaction to be followed there must be β -hydrogen present with respect to the halide in the molecule.

Option a) It has 2 β-hydrogens and hence E2 reaction is possible.
Option b) It also has β-hydrogen and hence E2 reaction is possible.
Option c) It do not have any β-hydrogen and hence no E2 reaction is possible.
Option d) E2 reaction is possible due to presence of β-hydrogen.

Thus option (c) is the correct answer.



The total number of possible alkenes in the given elimination reaction is:



Solution

E2 reaction takes place when there are β -hydrogens present in the reactant, Here there are two type of beta hydrogens. Two products are possible by removal of either hydrogen atom. Ph-CH₂-CH(Br)-CH₃ Alc. KOH Ph-CH=CH-CH₃ (Major) + Ph-CH₂-CH=CH₂

Major product is $Ph-CH=CH-CH_3$ due to increased stability by conjugation of double bond with benzene ring.

Ph-CH₂-CH=CH₂ is a minor product.

Ph-CH=CH-CH₃ can be **trans as well as cis** alkene showing geometrical isomerism. Hence, **3 possible alkenes** can be formed in the given elimination reaction.





Solution

EtOH is neither a strong nucleophile, nor a strong base and hence S_N^2 or E2 is not possible. So, S_N^1 or E1 can be followed. In both cases, first step is formation of carbocation.

The one which can give the most **stable carbocation** will give fastest reaction. In options (a), (b) and (c), primary carbocation is formed while **tertiary carbocation is** formed in option (d) which is most stable and hence will give the fastest reaction.

Thus, option (d) is the correct answer.



Major final product (Z) is:



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c) R-I > R-CI > R-Br > R-F d) R-F > R-I > R-Br > R-CI

Solution

In dehydrohalogenation reaction, RI is most reactive as iodide is the best leaving group among the given halides. Order of leaving group is: $I^- > Br^- > CI^- > F^-$. Hence the order of reactivity of halides is: R-I > R-Br > R-CI > R-F.

Thus, option (b) is the correct answer.

Stereochemistry of E1 Reaction

For steric reasons, **trans-alkenes** are usually **lower in energy** than cis-alkenes because the substituents are far apart from one another.

E1 reactions **favour** the formation of trans-alkenes.

Stereochemistry of E1 Reaction



Quick Recap of E1 Reaction





Elimination reaction of 2-bromopentane to form pent-2-ene is:

(A) *β*-Elimination reaction(B) Follows Saytzeff's rule

a) (A), (B), (C)

(C) Dehydrohalogenation(D) Dehydration reaction

b) (A), (C), (D)

c) (B), (C) ,(D)

d) (A), (B), (D)



Solution

We have two type of β -hydrogens in 2-bromopentane. The one which leads to more substituted alkene is removed. So, it is a β -elimination reaction and is forming Saytzeff's product.

This is result of **dehydrohalogenation (removal of HX)** and not **dehydration** (removal of water molecule).

$$CH_{3} - CH - CH_{2} - CH_{2} - CH_{3} \xrightarrow{\text{Base}} CH_{3} - CH = CH_{2} - CH_{2} - CH_{3}$$

Thus, option (a) is the correct answer.



Intermediate of E1 reaction is:

a) Carbocation

b) Carbanion

c) Free radical

d) Intermediate is not formed

Solution

The intermediate formed in E1 reactions is carbocation and hence rearrangement is possible.

Thus, option (a) is the correct answer.



Which one of the following compounds most readily undergoes E1 reaction?



b)
$$CH_3 - CH_2 - CH_2 - Br$$



d)
$$CH_3 - CH_2 - CH_2 - I$$



Solution

Option (a) is tertiary bromide compound which has bromine as leaving group.
Option (b) will lead to primary carbocation which is not favoured in E1.
Option (c) gives tertiary carbocation with iodine as leaving group.
Option (d) will lead to primary carbocation which is not favoured in E1 (less stable).
As iodine is the better leaving group and tertiary is more stabilised carbocation, so option (c) will most readily undergoes to E1 reaction.

Thus, option (c) is the correct answer.





Solution

Compound in option (a) will lead to primary carbocation. Hence not favoured for E1. Compound in option (b) is benzylic halide and no E1 elimination will be possible. In option (c), the carbocation formed is primary which can be rearranged to a more stable tertiary carbocation. In option (d), there will be no formation of double bond at bridgehead carbon due to

higher instability (Bredt's rule).

Thus, option (c) is the correct answer.


All **nucleophiles** are potential bases and all **bases** are potential nucleophiles.

The reactive part of both nucleophiles and bases is an **unshared electron** pair.



Nucleophilic substitution reactions and elimination reactions often compete with each other.

At first, we must decide whether the reaction conditions favour S_N2/ E2 or S_N1/ E1 reactions.

The conditions that favour S_N^2 reaction also favour an E2 reaction, and the conditions that favour S_N^1 reaction also favour an E1 reaction.

Both S_N2 and E2 reactions are both favoured by a high concentration of a strong nucleophile or a base.

The base attacks a β-hydrogen atom and leads to elimination. The nucleophile attacks the **C atom** bearing the leaving group, and leads to **substitution.**



Relative steric hindrance

of the substrate

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Size of the base/nucleophile



Primary alkyl halide

The substrate is a **primary unhindered alkyl halide** and the **base** is strong and unhindered like **ethoxide ion.**

Substitution is highly favoured because the base can easily approach the carbon bearing the leaving group.



Secondary alkyl halide

Secondary alkyl halides with a strong base favours **elimination**.

Steric hindrance in the substrate makes substitution **more difficult**.



Tertiary alkyl halide

With tertiary alkyl halides, **steric hindrance** in the substrate is severe, therefore **elimination** is highly **favoured**.



Effect of temperature

Increasing the temperature of the reaction favours elimination over substitution.

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Factors Affecting Elimination & Substitution

Size of the base/nucleophile

Strong sterically hindered base/nucleophile such as

the tert-butoxide ion

Favours elimination reaction

Unhindered (small) base/nucleophile









E1 and S_N1 reactions proceed through the formation of a common intermediate (carbocation).

Therefore, both the types of reactions respond to the factors affecting reactivity in a similar way.

S_N1 vs E1

Both E1 and S_N 1 are favoured with:

Substrates that can form **stable carbocations** (E.g., tertiary halides)

The use of **poor nucleophiles** (weak bases) and **polar protic solvents**.

Increasing the temperature of the reaction favours reaction by E1 mechanism at the expense of S_N1 mechanism.



Methyl	1° Alkyl halide
Gives <mark>S_N2</mark> reactions only	Gives mainly S _N 2 except with a hindered strong base [E.g., <i>t</i> -BuO ⁻], and then gives E2.





Gives mainly S _N 2 with weak basic nucleophiles (E.g., and at lower temperature	2° Alkyl halide	3° Alkyl halide
it favours S _N 1. When a strong bases (F a POT)	Gives mainly S _N 2 with weak basic nucleophiles (E.g., -,CN ⁻ , RCO ₂) and mainly E2 with strong bases	No S _N 2 reaction. In solvolysis, it gives S _N 1/E1, and at lower temperatures, it favours S _N 1. When a strong base (E.g., RO ⁻) is used, E2 predominates.



a) E2 elimination are favoured by weak base.

b) The first step in both S_N^1 and E2 reactions is the same.

c) S_N^2 reaction proceeds with total retention of configuration.

d) Bridgehead halide are inert for both S_N^1 and S_N^2 reactions.

Solution

Option a) E2 elimination are favoured by weak base is incorrect as E2 elimination is favoured by strong base.

Option b) The first step in both S_N^1 and E2 reactions is the same is incorrect because the first step in both S_N^1 and E1 reactions is the same not E2.

Option c) S_N^2 reaction proceeds with total retention of configuration is incorrect as we get inversion of configuration.

Option d) Bridgehead halides are inert for both S_N^1 and S_N^2 reactions: On bridge head carbon formation of carbocation is not possible due to instability (Bredt's rule) so no S_N^1 reaction and also as the ring is closed so no backside attack is possible i.e. no S_N^2 reaction.

Thus, option (d) is the correct answer.



Which of the following statements is incorrect for alkyl halide?

- a) E1 reactions are favoured by the use of weak bases and polar protic solvents.
- b) Both E1 and S_N^1 are favoured with substrates that can form stable carbocations.
- c) In an unimolecular reaction, increasing the temperature favours E1 mechanism.
- d) A strong sterically hindered base such as tert-butoxide ion favours substitution reaction.



Solution

A strong sterically hindered base such as tert-butoxide ion favours elimination reaction. So, option (d) is incorrect statement for alkyl halide.

Thus, option (d) is the correct answer.





What is correct regarding the following reaction?



- a) The major product is given by S_N^1 reaction.
- b) Three alkenes are formed through E1 mechanism.
- c) 3-Methylpentan-3-ol is also formed as one of the product.
- d) All of these



Option b): When we proceed via elimination mechanism there is a formation of carbocation, we get three alkenes: 2-ethylbut-1-ene, cis 3-methylpent-2-ene, trans 3-methylpent-2-ene. so option b) is correct.

Option c): We have 20% water in this so 3-methylpentan-3-ol will be formed as water is also a nucleophile, So option c) is also correct.

Thus, option (d) is the correct answer.



 S_N^1 reactivity: 1° Alkyl halide < 2° Alkyl halide < 3° Alkyl halide S_N^2 reactivity: 3° Alkyl halide < 2° Alkyl halide < 1° Alkyl halide

E1 reactivity: 1^o Alkyl halide < 2^o Alkyl halide < 3^o Alkyl halide E2 reactivity: 1^o Alkyl halide < 2^o Alkyl halide < 3^o Alkyl halide

Thus, option (b) is the correct answer.



a)
$$CH_3 - Br + OH^- - CH_3 - OH + Br^-$$

b)
$$(CH_3)_3C - Br + OH^- \rightarrow (CH_3)_3COH + Br^-$$

c)
$$HO - CH_2 - CH_3 \xrightarrow{-H_2O} CH_2 = CH_2$$

d) None of these

Solution

Option a) CH_3 -Br + $OH^- \rightarrow CH_3$ -OH + Br⁻ : It will follow S_N^2 mechanism. **Option b)** $(CH_3)_3C$ -Br + $OH^- \rightarrow (CH_3)_3C$ -OH + Br⁻: It will follow S_N^1 mechanism as the halide is tertiary. **Option c)** OH- CH_2 - $CH_3 \rightarrow CH_2$ = CH_2 + H_2O : This proceed via elimination.

Thus, option (a) is the correct answer.



Reaction of t-butyl bromide with sodium methoxide produces:

a) Sodium t-butoxide

b) t-Butyl methyl ether

c) Isobutane

d) Isobutylene

Solution

Reaction of t-butyl bromide with sodium methoxide produces isobutylene.





t-Butyl bromide is a tertiary halide, when it reacts with sodium methoxide which is a strong base we get isobutylene as the elimination reaction is favoured.

Thus, option (d) is the correct answer.



2-Chloro-2-methylpentane on reaction with sodium methoxide in methanol yields:





$$CH_{3}CH_{2}CH_{2} - C - OCH_{3} + CH_{3}CH_{2}CH = C - CH_{3}$$

$$| CH_{3} - CH_{3} + CH_{3}CH_{2}CH = C - CH_{3}$$

$$| CH_{3} - CH_{3} + CH_{3}CH_{2}CH = C - CH_{3}$$

Thus, option (d) is the correct answer.



Organometallic Compounds

Compounds that contain **carbon-metal** bonds

Organomagnesium halides were discovered by the French chemist Victor Grignard in 1900.

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Organometallic Compounds

Preparation

Grignard reagents are prepared by the reaction of an **organic halide with magnesium metal** in an anhydrous ether solvent.





Organometallic Compounds

Structure

The **C-Mg bond** in Grignard reagents is predominantly **covalent** and less ionic.

> δ- δ+ **R – MgX**

Reaction of Grignard Reagent



They react with any compound that has a **hydrogen atom** attached to an electronegative atom such as oxygen, nitrogen, or sulphur.

Reaction of Grignard Reagent

The reactions of Grignard reagents with water and alcohols are **acid–base reactions**.





Thus, option (c) is the correct answer.



Grignard reagent is prepared by the reaction between:

- a) Magnesium and alkane
- b) Magnesium and aromatic hydrocarbon
- c) Zinc and alkyl halide
- d) Magnesium and alkyl halide

Solution

Grignard reagents are prepared by the reaction of an organic halide with magnesium metal in an anhydrous ether solvent.

Thus, option (d) is the correct answer.
Reactions with Metal













Which of the following alkane cannot be made in good yield by Wurtz reaction?

- a) 2,3-Dimethylbutane
- c) Isobutyl chloride
- Heptane d) Butyl chloride

Solution

b)

Wurtz reaction cannot be used for the preparation of unsymmetrical alkanes because if two dissimilar alkyl halides are taken as the reactants, then a mixture of alkanes is obtained as the products. Therefore heptane cannot be made in good yield by Wurtz reaction. Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.



An organic compound A (C_4H_9CI) on reaction with Na/diethyl ether gives a hydrocarbon which on monochlorination gives only one chloro derivative, then A is:

- a) tert-Butyl chloride c) Isobutyl chloride
- b) sec-Butyl chloride d) Butyl chloride

Solution

A is tertiary butyl chloride because the reaction of tertiary butyl chloride with Na/diethyl ether gives 2,2,3,3-tetramethylbutane (Wurtz Reaction)

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which has only one type of H atom that is replaced with chlorine to give only one monochloro derivative.





Hydrocarbon (A) reacts with bromine by substitution to form an alkyl bromide which by Wurtz reaction is converted to a gaseous hydrocarbon containing less than four carbon atoms. (A) is:

a) $CH \equiv CH$ C) $CH_3 - CH_3$

b) $CH_2 = CH_2$ d) CH_4

Solution

Step 1: Hydrocarbon (A) is methane (CH₄), It reacts with bromine to form methyl bromide CH₃— Br. hv $CH_4 + Br_2 \rightarrow CH_3Br + HBr$ **Step 2 :** Methyl bromide by Wurtz reaction is converted to a gaseous hydrocarbon containing less than four carbon atoms.

 $2CH_3Br + 2Na + dry ether \rightarrow CH_3 - CH_3 + 2NaBr$

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.





Reactions of Haloarenes



Simple aryl halides are relatively unreactive towards nucleophilic substitution under conditions that would give rapid nucleophilic substitution with alkyl halides.

Chlorobenzene can be boiled with sodium hydroxide for days without producing a detectable amount of phenol (or sodium phenoxide).



The benzene ring of an aryl halide prevents the **back-side attack** in an S_N2 reaction.

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Phenyl cations are very unstable, hence, S_N1 reactions **do not occur**.



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The C–X bond of aryl halides are shorter and stronger than those of alkyl, allylic, and benzylic halides

> Bond breaking by either an S_N1 or S_N2 mechanism **requires more energy**



Resonating structures of Halobenzene









Chlorobenzene is heated at **350** °C (under high pressure) with aqueous sodium hydroxide. The reaction produces **sodium phenoxide**, which on acidification yields phenol







Nucleophilic substitution reactions of aryl halides do **occur readily** when an electronic factor makes the aryl carbon bonded to the halogen **susceptible to a nucleophilic attack**

> A nucleophilic aromatic substitution reaction can occur when **strong electron-withdrawing** groups are **ortho or para** to the halogen atom









o-Nitrochlorobenzene requires the **highest temperature** (p-Nitrochlorobenzene reacts at 130 °C as well) A meta-nitro group **does not** produce a similar activating effect as that of ortho and para.

2,4,6-Trinitrochlorobenzene requires the **lowest temperature**



For example, m-Nitrochlorobenzene gives no corresponding reaction

The mechanism that operates in these reactions is known as addition -elimination mechanism

And the process is known as nucleophilic aromatic substitution (**S_NAr**)

S_NAr Mechanism



The carbanion is stabilized by **electron- withdrawing groups** in the positions ortho and para to the halogen atom.

S_NAr Mechanism



Resonating structures





Arrange the following compounds in their order of reactivity with NaOH.



(i) 2,4-dinitrochlorobenzene : It has two electron withdrawing groups at ortho and para position and so they withdraw the electron pair towards them self and make the ring more susceptible for nucleophilic substitution.

Solution

B

(ii) 3,4-dinitrochlorobenzene : It has two electron withdrawing groups at meta and para position and so the para position group withdraws the electron density towards itself and make the ring susceptible for nucleophilic substitution, also we know a meta-nitro group does not produce a similar activating effect towards nucleophilic substitution as that of ortho and para.

(iii) 3,5-dinitro chlorobenzene : It has two electron withdrawing groups at meta and para position and a meta-nitro group does not produce a similar activating effect as that of ortho and para.

Hence, the reactivity order is i > ii > iii



Assertion: The presence of nitro group facilitates nucleophilic substitution reactions in aryl halides. **Reason:** The intermediate carbanion is stabilised due to the presence of nitro group.

- a) If both Assertion and Reason are correct and the Reason is a correct explanation of the Assertion.
- b) If both Assertion and Reason are correct but the Reason is not a correct explanation of the Assertion.
- c) If the Assertion is correct but Reason is incorrect.
- d) If both the Assertion and Reason are incorrect.

A nucleophilic aromatic substitution reaction can occur when strong electron-withdrawing groups are ortho or para to the halogen atom and $-NO_2$ is electron withdrawing in nature so **assertion is correct.**

The generally accepted mechanism of nucleophilic aromatic substitution of aryl halides has two steps ; In the first step involves the nucleophile OH⁻ reacting with the carbon bearing the halogen substituent to form an intermediate carbanion and the carbanion is stabilized by electron-withdrawing groups in the positions ortho and para to the halogen atom so **reason is also the correct explanation of Assertion**.

Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.

Electrophilic Substitution in Haloarenes

General reaction



Halo groups are **ortho-para** directors, and are **deactivating** groups as well!!





Identify the major and minor products in the given reaction.

B





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Wurtz-Fittig Reaction

The mixture of an **alkyl and an aryl halide** is treated with **sodium** to give an **alkylated aromatic** compound

General reaction



Fittig Reaction

Aryl halides also give analogous compounds when treated with sodium in dry ether, in which two aryl groups are joined together.





Which chloro derivative of benzene among the following would undergo hydrolysis most readily with aqueous sodium hydroxide to furnish the corresponding hydroxy derivative? B



Solution

 $-NO_2$ (nitro) is an electron-withdrawing group. Generally, more the number of electron-withdrawing groups present, faster is the aromatic nucleophilic substitution reaction. The hydroxide ion (OH⁻) readily attacks 2,4,6-trinitrochlorobenzene (d) to form picric acid (yellow-coloured compound) hydroxy derivative.

Thus, option (d) is the correct answer.



a) Electrophilic addition C) Free radical substitution

b) Nucleophilic addition d) Electrophilic substitution



Solution

$2Fe + 3Br_2 \rightarrow 2FeBr_3$

It acts as a Lewis acid and this is an example of electrophilic substitution reaction.



Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

Carbon compounds containing **more than** one halogen atom

Examples CI Η CI CI C

Dichloromethane

Trichloromethane

Triiodomethane

Tetrachloromethane

Freons

DDT





Dichloromethane

Slight hearing and vision impairment Direct contact can cause

Harms the human central nervous system Harmful Effects Tingling and numbness in the fingers and toes Burning and mild redness of skin

Burning of cornea

Nausea







Structure



Structure of Trichloromethane

Uses

Solvent for fats, alkaloids and iodine

Production of freon refrigerants (R-22)

Anesthetic in surgery

Harmful Effects of Trichloromethane

Chloroform exposure causes

Dizziness, fatigue, and headache

Damage to liver and kidneys

Harmful Effects of Trichloromethane





Structure



Structure of Triiodomethane

Has **antiseptic** properties due to the liberation of free iodine.



Structure



Structure of Tetrachloromethane

Uses

Manufacture of refrigerants and propellants for aerosol cans

Feedstock in the synthesis of chlorofluorocarbons

Pharmaceuticals manufacturing



Harmful Effects of Tetrachloromethane



Freons

Chlorofluorocarbon compounds of methane and ethane are collectively known as **freons**.







In stratosphere, freon is able to initiate radical chain reactions that can upset the natural ozone balance.







Which of the following is a chiral molecule?

- a) Dichloromethane c) lodoform
 - Chloroform d) None of these

Solution

b)

Chiral : A carbon atom is asymmetric or chiral if it has four different chemical groups attached. A compound is said to be chiral if it exists in two stereoisomeric forms which are **non-superimposable mirror images** of each other.



What is the degree of unsaturation in Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane (DDT)?



Solution

DDT has two benzene rings in its structure. Degree of unsaturation of one benzene is 4 because of three double bonds and one ring. So, Total degree of unsaturation = 4 + 4 = 8.

Thus, (c) is the correct answer.

B

Since, as all the given molecules do not have different atoms attached to carbon atom, no compound is said to be chiral.

Hence, option (d) is correct answer.