

Substitution + Elimination Reactions

S_N2 reaction
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 2. Stereocenters: backside nucleophilic attack that causes an inversion of configuration
 3. Leaving group: better leaving group = faster rxn
 4. Solvent: polar protic solvents stabilize carbocation (bad), polar aprotic solvents do not (good)
 5. Mechanism: concerted, one step rxn

E2 reaction
 1. Kinetics: rate = k[RX][B] (bimolecular)
 2. The base: stronger base = faster rxn
 3. The leaving group: better leaving group = faster rxn
 4. Solvent: polar protic solvents stabilize carbocation (bad), polar aprotic solvents do not (good)
 5. Mechanism: concerted, one step rxn

S_N1 reaction
 1. Kinetics: rate = k[RX] (unimolecular)
 2. Stereocenters: carbocation intermediate, planar, attacked from both sides
 3. Leaving group: better leaving group = faster rxn
 4. Solvent: polar protic solvents stabilize carbocation (good)
 5. Mechanism: stepwise, two-step rxn

E1 reaction
 1. Kinetics: rate = k[RX] (unimolecular)
 2. The base: weaker base = faster rxn
 3. The leaving group: better leaving group = faster rxn
 4. Solvent: polar protic solvents stabilize carbocation (good)
 5. Mechanism: stepwise, two-step rxn

Alcohol reactions

Alcohol reactions
 1. Oxidation: primary alcohols to aldehydes/ketones, secondary to ketones, tertiary no reaction
 2. Substitution: alcohols to alkyl halides (SN2/SN1)
 3. Elimination: alcohols to alkenes (E1/E2)
 4. Esterification: alcohols to esters
 5. Ether formation: alcohols to ethers

Alcohol classification
 1°: primary, 2°: secondary, 3°: tertiary

Alcohol reactivity
 - Better leaving group: tosylate, triflate, mesylate
 - Better nucleophile: alkoxide, acetate, chloride

Alcohol synthesis
 - Grignard reaction: alkyl halide + Grignard reagent → alcohol
 - Hydroboration-oxidation: alkene + BH₃ → alcohol

Alkene reactions

Hydrohalogenation: HX + alkene
 - Markovnikov's rule: H adds to the carbon with more H's
 - Anti-Markovnikov: H adds to the carbon with fewer H's (peroxyacids)

Halogenation: X₂ + alkene
 - Syn addition: both halogens add to the same side
 - Anti addition: halogens add to opposite sides

Hydroboration-oxidation
 - Anti-Markovnikov addition of H and OH
 - Syn addition

Alkene reactivity
 - More substituted alkenes are more reactive

IR IDENTIFYING

| Functional Group | Molecular Motion | Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹) | Functional Group | Molecular Motion | Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹) |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| alkanes | C-H stretch | 2950-2800 | aldehydes | C-H aldehyde stretch | ~2850 & ~2750 |
| C _n H _{2n+2} | CH ₂ bend | -1465 | ketones | C=O stretch | ~1725 |
| | CH ₂ bend (4 or more) | -720 | | C-C stretch | 1300-1100 |
| alkenes | =CH stretch | 3100-3010 | carboxylic acids-COOH | O-H stretch | 3400-2400 |
| | C=C stretch (isolated) | 1690-1630 | | C=O stretch | 1730-1700 |
| | C=C stretch (conjugated) | 1640-1610 | | C-O stretch | 1320-1210 |
| C _n H _{2n} | C-H in-plane bend | 1430-1290 | esters | O-H bend | 1440-1400 |
| | C-H bend (monosubstituted) | -990 & ~910 | | C-O stretch | 1750-1735 |
| | C-H bend (disubstituted - E) | -970 | | C-C(O)-C stretch (acetates) | 1260-1230 |
| | C-H bend (disubstituted - 1,1) | -890 | | C-C(O)-C stretch | 1210-1160 |
| alkynes | C-H bend (disubstituted - Z) | -700 | acid chlorides | C=O stretch | 1810-1775 |
| | C-H bend (trisubstituted) | -815 | | C-Cl stretch | 730-550 |
| | | | | | |
| C _n H _{2n-2} | acetylenic C-H stretch | ~3300 | anhydrides | C=O stretch | 1830-1800 & 1775-1740 |
| | C≡C triple bond stretch | ~2150 | | C-O stretch | 1300-900 |
| aromatics | acetylenic C-H bend | 650-600 | amines | N-H stretch | 3500-3300 |
| | C-H stretch | 3020-3000 | | N-H bend | 1640-1500 |
| | C=C stretch | ~1600 & ~1475 | | C-N stretch (alkyl) | 1200-1025 |
| alcohols | C-H bend (mono) | 770-730 & 715-685 | amides | C-N stretch (aryl) | 1360-1250 |
| | C-H bend (ortho) | 770-735 | | N-H bend | ~800 |
| | C-H bend (meta) | ~880 & ~780 & ~690 | | N-H stretch | 3500-3180 |
| ethers | C-H bend (para) | 850-800 | alkyl halides | C-O stretch | 1680-1630 |
| | O-H stretch | ~3650 or 3400-3300 | | N-H bend | 1640-1550 |
| | C-O stretch | 1260-1000 | | N-H bend (*) | 1570-1515 |
| | C-O-C stretch (dialkyl) | 1300-1000 | | C-F stretch | 1400-1000 |
| | C-O-C stretch (diaryl) | ~1250 & ~1120 | | C-Cl stretch | 785-540 |
| | | | | C-Br stretch | 650-510 |

¹H NMR IDENTIFYING

¹H NMR Chemical Shifts

| Group | Chemical Shift (ppm) |
|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Primary Alkyl | 0.8-1.0 ppm |
| Secondary Alkyl | 1.2-1.4 ppm |
| Tertiary Alkyl | 1.4-1.7 ppm |
| Vinyl | 4.6-7.3 ppm |
| Alkyne | 2.0-3.0 ppm |
| Alkyl Fluoride | 4.0-4.5 ppm |
| Alkyl Chloride | 3.0-4.0 ppm |
| Alkyl Bromide | 2.6-4.1 ppm |
| Alkyl Iodide | 2.2-4.2 ppm |
| Alcohol | 3.3-4.0 ppm (0.5-5.0 ppm) |
| Ether | 3.3-3.9 ppm |
| Ester | 2.0-3.0 ppm (3.5-5.1 ppm) |
| Carboxylic Acid | 2.0-3.0 ppm (10-13 ppm) |
| Ketone | 2.0-3.0 ppm |
| Aldehyde | 2.0-3.0 ppm (9.0-10.0 ppm) |
| Allylic | 1.6-2.6 ppm |
| Amide | 1.9-2.4 ppm (4.0-8.5 ppm) |
| Amino | 1.0-5.0 ppm |
| Aromatic | 6.5-8.0 ppm |
| Phenolic | 4.5-7.7 ppm |
| Benzyl | 2.3-2.9 ppm |

Integration
 - Area under peak proportional to number of protons
 - Integration curve shows cumulative area

Spin-spin coupling
 - Splitting of peaks into multiplets
 - n+1 rule: n equivalent protons next to a proton split the signal into n+1 peaks

Chemical Shift (δ) (in ppm)
 - TMS at 0 ppm
 - Alkane CH at ~1 ppm
 - α to O, N, Halogen at ~3-5 ppm
 - β to O, N, Halogen at ~4-7 ppm

Ch1: Struct + bonding

| | | | |
|---|-----|-----|-----|
| C | -C- | -C- | -C- |
| N | -N- | -N- | -N- |
| O | -O- | -O- | -O- |
| X | -X- | -X- | -X- |

Ch2: acids + bases

Brønsted acid: contain H, donates proton (H⁺)
Brønsted base: contains π/ lone pair, accepts proton (H⁺)
Brønsted rxns: proton goes from acid to base!
 NH₃ + H₂O → OH⁻ + NH₄⁺
 - Strong acids have high K_a + low pK_a
 - pK_a = -log(K_a) + K_a = 10^{-pK_a}
 - Equilibrium favors weaker acid
Determining acid strength
 1. Element: acidity incr. down a column (π), then more electronegative
 2. Resonance: more resonance of conj. base (more lone pairs/π) mean stronger acid

Ch3: functional groups

| | | | |
|--------------|---|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| alkyl halide | R-X | ester | R-C(=O)-OR |
| alcohol | R-OH | amide | R-C(=O)-NH ₂ |
| ether | R-O-R | acid chloride | R-C(=O)-Cl |
| amine | R-NH ₂ /R ₂ NH/R ₃ N | intermolecular forces | |

Chapter 4: Alkanes

cyclic: C_nH_{2n}
cycloalkanes: C_nH_{2n}
 cyclopropane (3), cyclobutane (4), cyclopentane (5), cyclohexane (6), cycloheptane (7), cyclooctane (8), cyclononane (9), cyclodecane (10)
Strain: (Kcal/mol)
 - angle strain: 108° vs 109.5°
 - torsional strain: eclipsed vs staggered
How to name acyclic alkanes:
 1. identify + name longest carbon chain - 2 same length? choose chain w/ more substituents
 2. identify + name all substituents
 3. number carbon chain so the first substituent has lowest number
 4. add location + prefix of substituent
 5. put substituents in alphabetical order + assemble name
 (isopropyl) / (sec-butyl) / (tert-butyl)

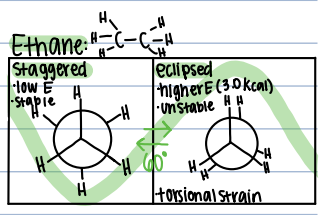
π bond in p orbital # = pd number
major contributor = more bonds + less charges
resonance: only move π bonds / lone pairs, move π bonds towards (+) and draw in hydrogens!!!!
major contributor
 1. bigger atom w/ charge = major
 2. octet rule for all atoms = major
 3. more atoms w/ charge = major
 * if all carbon, then...
 major 3° > 2° > 1° minor

3. Inductive: acidity increases with presence + proximity of electron withdrawing groups similar to polarity
 4. Hybridization: acidity increases as % s character increases
Lewis acid: e- pair acceptor partially positive, electrophile
Lewis base: e- pair donor, must have π / lone pair, partially negative, nucleophile
Lewis acid/base rxns: electron transfer from base to acid, usually a bond is formed, sometimes one is broken too
 + : Br- → Br-
 + : H-Cl → H-Cl

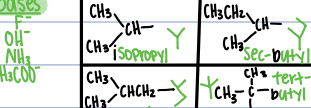
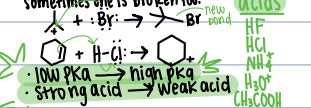
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|-----------------|------------|
| Thiol | R-S-H |
| Sulfide | R-S-R |
| Aldehyde | R-C(=O)-H |
| Ketone | R-C(=O)-R |
| Carboxylic acid | R-C(=O)-OH |

1. H-bonds: H bonded to O, N, F, S, Cl
 2. Dipole-dipole: polar molecules
 3. VDW: all molecules weak
Boiling point: stronger IMF = higher bp, bigger atom / more surface area = higher bp
Melting point: stronger IMF + more symmetrical atoms = higher mp
Solubility: like dissolves like!! organic molec. are usu. not soluble in water, unless they is at least one H-bond for every 5 carbons.

naming cycloalkanes
 - more carbons in ring → name as cycloalkane w/ substituent chain
 - more carbons in chain → name as chain w/ cycloalkane substituent
 * add cyclo- in front of parent name
 bp of butane (CH₃CH₂CH₂CH₃) is 0°C, the bp increases by 30°C for every additional -CH₂



o: head-to-head / tail-to-tail orbital overlap of s/p orbital
 all hybridized orbitals are equivalent
 C w/ one double = sp², triple = sp



pKa values

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------|
| HCl | Cl ⁻ | -7 |
| H ₂ SO ₄ | HSO ₄ ⁻ | -5 |
| H ₃ O ⁺ | H ₂ O | -1 |
| RCOOH | RCOO ⁻ | 5 |
| H ₂ CO ₃ | HCO ₃ ⁻ | 6.3 |
| NH ₄ ⁺ | NH ₃ | 9.2 |
| Phenol | Phenoxide | 10 |
| RNH ₃ | RNH ₂ | ~10 |
| H ₂ O | OH ⁻ | 15 |
| ROH | RO ⁻ | 15-17 |
| R-C≡C-H | R-C≡C ⁻ | 25 |
| NH ₃ | NH ₂ ⁻ | 34 |
| >C-H | >C ⁻ | 45-50 |

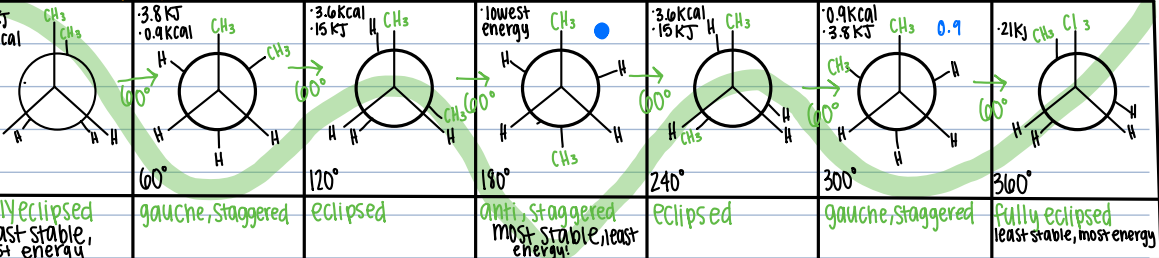
Strong acids → **Weak acids**
 low pKa → high pKa
 Strong acid → weak acid
 low pKa → high pKa

more protons on product = base
more protons on reactant = acid
 Check elements bonded to H
 2 left? MAKE CONJ. BASE + GO THROUGH HIRE!

| | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|----------|------------|--------|-----------------|
| SP | 50% | 2 groups | σ | 180° | linear/bent |
| SP ² | 33% | 3 groups | σ, π | 120° | trigonal planar |
| SP ³ | 25% | 4 groups | σ, π, π, π | 109.5° | tetrahedral |

Butane CH3-CH2-CH2-CH3
 compare acid + conj. acid!!!!

anti: substituent groups furthest apart
gauche: substituent groups closest



Ch 4: Cycloalkane chains

if #1 is the right-most carbon in one confirmation, it needs to be the right-most carbon in all other confirmations
 Substituents will switch from axial to equatorial as the confirmations switch and vice versa
 to determine cis/trans, look at what direction the substituents point
 both point up/down: cis (cis = both up/down)
 one up + one down: trans (trans = one up/one down)
 no correlation between cis/trans and equatorial/axial!!
 to convert a cycloalkane to a chair confirmation...
 1. # carbons in cycloalkane and chair going in the same direction
 2. add substituents correspondingly - if on a wedge in cycloalkane, it must point up on chair!
 - if on a dashed wedge in cycloalkane, it must point down on chair!
 equatorial is more stable than axial bc axial has steric hindrance!
 smaller substituents are more stable than larger substituents
 - if needed, put larger substituents in the equatorial spot and smaller in axial

Ch 5: Stereoisomers

constitutional isomers: same molecular formula, different connectivity - remember atoms can rotate!
Stereoisomers: same formula + connections but different spatial orientation
Chiral: have stereogenic center, mirror images do not match, sp³, optically active, has enantiomers, not meso, no plane of symmetry in entire molec.
Achiral: no stereogenic center, mirror image aligns, optically inactive, has symmetry, can be meso, no enantiomers
 one chiral carbon = 2 enantiomers only
 n stereogenic centers = 2ⁿ stereoisomers
 to draw enantiomers just draw the mirror image + check to see if they align, no align = enantiomers
 for cyclic compounds, double check to make sure it is a stereogenic center, the R-groups don't match
 How to assign priority
 1. in order of decreasing atomic #
 2. Priority is assigned at first point of difference!!
 How to assign (R) or (S) to enantiomers
 1. assign priority to each group
 2. use model (if needed) and orient the molecule so that 4th priority is away
 3. clockwise numerical 1-2-3 = R
 counterclockwise numerical 1-2-3 = S

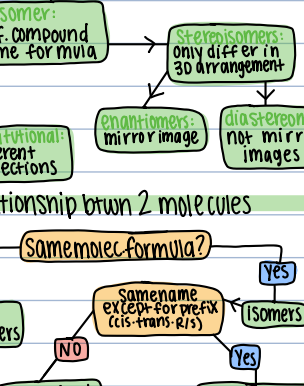
Ch 6: Organic rxns

Reaction types
 - substitution: one group replaces another group one σ bond broken + one σ formed
 - elimination: group is removed from the reactant, two σ bonds broken + one π formed
 - addition: group is added to the reactant, one π broken + 2 σ formed
concerted rxn: one step rxn
stepwise rxn: mult. steps + has an unstable reaction intermediate
homolysis: bond breaks + each part gets one e- A-B → A• + B• produces free radicals, endothermic, uncharged
heterolysis: both e- go to the more electr. part. A-B → A⁺ + B⁻ produces ions, endothermic, charged products
carbocation stability: more R groups = more stable, electrophile
 Single bond has lowest BDE + triple has highest
 carbocations are nucleophiles
 bond formation uses E and bond breaking releases E.
 ΔH° overall = (sum of bonds broken) - (sum of bonds formed)
 -ΔH° = exothermic → products favored
 +ΔH° = endothermic → reactants favored

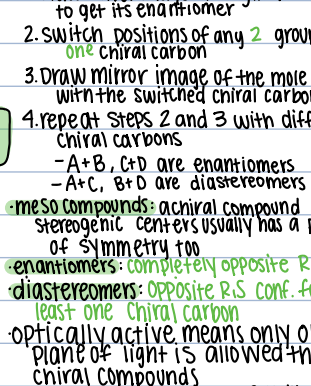
Ch 7: Alkyl halides

alkyl halide: halogen attached to sp³ carbon, reactive
 allylic halide: halogen attached to sp³ carbon that is next to a C=C reactive
 benzylic halide: halogen on sp³ carbon adj. to benzene reactive
 any halogen attached to an sp² carbon such as vinyl (C=C) or aryl (C₆H₅) do NOT undergo S_N1/S_N2
Properties of alkyl halides
 - higher bp/mp than alkanes w/ same carbon chain bc larger halide adds vdw forces
 - bp and mp increase as carbon chain increases and as halogen size increases
 - alkyl halides are soluble in organic solvents but not soluble in water
 - bottom left of periodic table = largest atoms
 - top right of periodic table = smallest atoms
 - alkyl halide + Lewis base/nucleophile = substitution
 nucleophile (Nu⁻): has lone pair / π bond + maybe (-) charge + replaces leaving group in subst. rxns
 nucleophilic substitution is heterolytic rxn
 The leaving group
 - better LG = weaker base (stronger acid)
 - LG strength increases left to right and down a column, opposite of basicity
 - good LG: Cl⁻, Br⁻, OH₂⁺, I⁻
 - bad LG: F⁻, OH⁻, NH₂⁻, H⁻
 equilibrium favors the product when the LG is a weaker base than the Nu⁻, favors side with the stronger conj. acid (lower pKa)
Nucleophilicity
 - same Nu atom = stronger base = stronger Nu
 - Nu with a (-) is always stronger than neutral Nu
 - right to left on pd table Nu increases
Steric hindrance: more chunky R groups create steric hindrance, decreases Nu ability
Polar protic solvents: has O-H or N-H, favors S_N1, solvates cations + anions, F, Cl < Br < I
Polar aprotic solvents: no O-H or N-H, favors S_N2, I > Br > Cl > F, DMS, DMF, acetone
S_N2 reaction
 1. Kinetics
 - rate = [R-X][Nu⁻], bimolecular
 - concerted, one step rxn
 2. Stereochemistry
 - backside nucleophilic attack that causes an inversion of configuration, R to S
 3. R-group identity
 - smaller / less R groups react faster bc less steric hindrance
 4. Who does S_N2 rxns?
 - methyl halide, 1° halide, 2° halides
 5. solvent type
 - polar aprotic solvents! Nu are not well

Isomers (Ch 5)



Relationship between 2 molecules



How to draw all possible stereoisomers

1. Draw mirror image of original molecule to get its enantiomer
 2. Switch positions of any 2 groups on one chiral carbon
 3. Draw mirror image of the mole. w/ the switched chiral carbon
 4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 with different chiral carbons
 - A+B, C+D are enantiomers
 - A+C, B+D are diastereomers
 meso compounds: achiral compound with stereogenic centers usually has a plane of symmetry
 enantiomers: completely opposite R/S conf.
 diastereomers: opposite R/S conf. for at least one chiral carbon
 optically active means only one plane of light is allowed through chiral compounds
 - R and S let diff. planes of light through
 - C: d, dextro, (+)
 - C: l, levo, (-)

Equilibrium

$Keq = \frac{[Products]}{[Reactants]}$
 - Keq = 1 then ΔG = 0 → equilibrium
 - Keq > 1 then ΔG < 0 → products favored
 - Keq < 1 then ΔG > 0 → reactants favored
 ΔS < 0 → reactants favored
 ΔS > 0 → products favored
 - more molec. on products and cyclic to noncyclic = +ΔS
 ΔH, ΔS, ΔG and Keq do NOT effect the rate of rxn, only the equilibrium
 ΔG = ΔH - TΔS
 ΔG ≈ ΔH
 - ΔG = exergonic
 +ΔG = endergonic
 slowest step (highest E_a) is the rate determining step
 lower E_a and higher temp make the rxn faster, and have large k values



To determine stereoisomer type

- label ALL stereogenic centers R/S
- if they are complete opposites: enantiomers
- can check by drawing mirror image
- one or more but NOT all opposite: diastereomers
- check by switching groups around
- none different: identical molecules

achiral compounds are optically inactive and do not alter light

- racemic mixtures: when 2 enantiomers are equally present so their rotations on light cancel out, making the solution optically inactive
- diastereomers: not mirror images + not superimposable have diff. physical properties
- enantiomer physical properties: same chemical properties except how they interact w/ chiral non-racemic mixture
- will fit differently into enzymes + receptors + bend light different
- plane of symmetry = a chiral usually
- [α]_D represents specific rotation

rate = k[RX]^a[Nu]^b

- unimolecular = rate = k[CX], one reactant, first order
- bimolecular = rate = k[X][Y], two reactants, second order
- mult. conc. by X → rate increased by X. for bimolec. mult. both
- Catalyst: lowers the E_a + speeds up the reaction, remains unchanged + can be recovered once rxn is over

Solvated here, Making them stronger or better for S_N2 rxns

Nucleophilicity

- Prefers strong nucleophile w/ (-) charge
- CH₃ < NH₂ < OH⁻ < F⁻ < Cl⁻ < Br⁻ < I⁻
- Stronger base = stronger nucleophile

Fischer projections

identical molecule

Ch7: S_N1/S_N2 rxns

S_N2 reaction

- Kinetics**
 - rate = k[RX][Nu], bimolecular
 - concerted, one step rxn
- Stereochemistry**
 - backside nucleophilic attack that causes an inversion of configuration. R → S
 - enantiomeric heterolytic
- R-group identity**
 - smaller / less R groups react faster bc less steric hindrance
- What does S_N2 rxns?**
 - methyl halide, 1° halide, 2° halides
- Solvent type**
 - polar aprotic solvents! Nu are not well solvated here, making them stronger + better for S_N2 rxns. DMSO
- Nucleophile**
 - Prefers strong nucleophile w/ (-) charge
 - CH₃ < NH₂ < OH⁻ < F⁻ < Cl⁻ < Br⁻ < I⁻
 - Stronger base = stronger nucleophile
- Mechanism**

S_N1 rxn

- Kinetics**
 - rate = k[RX]
 - two step, carbocation formation = rate determining
 - Nu- does NOT affect rate, only carbocation!
- Stereochemistry**
 - Nu- attacks from front + back, so 50% inversion + 50% retention, racemic mixture of enantiomers
- R-group identity**
 - more substituted = faster rxn. no methyl/1°!!!
- Solvent**
 - polar protic solvents, stabilize carbocation (OH/H₂O)
- Nucleophile**
 - Weak! Nu-, I < Br < Cl < F < OH < NH₂ < CH₃
- Mechanism**
 - Carbocation formation
 - Nu attack

Nucleophilicity

- same: Nu atom = stronger base = stronger Nu
- Nu with a (-) is always stronger than neutral Nu
- right to left on pd table Nu increases

S_N1 or S_N2?

| RX | mechanism | Favored by... |
|--------|-----------------------------------|--|
| methyl | S _N 2 | Strong! Nu- Polar aprotic |
| 1° | | |
| 3° | S _N 1 | Weak! Nu- Polar protic |
| 2° | S _N 2/S _N 1 | Strong! Nu- = S _N 2 Protic! = S _N 1 |

Elimination or substitution?

good nucleophiles (I⁻, Br⁻, SH⁻, CN⁻ + CH₃CO₂) usu. favor substitution

bulky bases (t-BuO⁻, COC(CH₃)₃, DBU, DBN) favor elimination

| RX | rxn with | mechanism |
|----|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1° | strong nucleophile | S _N 2 |
| | strong bulky base | E2 |
| 2° | strong base/nucleophile | S _N 2/E2 |
| | strong bulky base | E2 |
| 3° | weak base/nucleophile | S _N 1/E1 |
| | strong base | E2 |

Tertiary alkyl halide rxns: all mechanisms except S_N2

- 3° + weak Nu/base = S_N1/E1 (maybe both)
- 3° + strong base = E2
- 3° + strong base + OH⁻ →

Secondary alkyl halides: all mechanisms

- 2° + strong base = S_N2/E2 (maybe both)
- 2° + bulky base = E2
- 2° + K⁺OC(CH₃)₃ →
- 2° + weak Nu/base = S_N1/E1
- 2° + OH⁻ →

Chapter 8: E1/E2

β-carbon: directly connected to leaving group

α-carbon: adjacent to α carbon, has leaving β H

common bases in dehydrohalogenation: NaOH, KOH, NaOCH₃, NaOCH₂CH₃, KOCC(CH₃)₃

alkene rotation:

- no rotation around alkene C=C bonds, so cis + trans are diastereomers

Stability of alkenes:

- trans more stable than cis isomers
- more R groups = more stable
- least stable mono-trans < cis, di- < di-trans < most stable

E2 reaction

- Kinetics**
 - rate = k[RX][B], second order, bimolecular
- The Base**
 - stronger base = faster rxn
 - vsu. strong bases (-OH / -OR) or DBU/DBN
- Leaving group**
 - better leaving group = faster rxn
 - Good LG: F < Cl < Br < I (best)
- Solvent**
 - polar aprotic - does not solvate base
- R group**
 - more R groups = faster rxn, no methyl
- Mechanism**
- Stereochemistry**
 - both leaving group + β H need to be axial, one up + one down in chair conformation
 - 180° btwn leaving group + β Hydrogen (make a dash)
 - anti-periplanar = E2 possible

E1 reaction - *E1 + S_N1 both deal w/ carbocations*

- Kinetics**
 - rate = k[RX]
 - first order, unimolecular, two step
- The Base**
 - favored by weaker bases, H₂O / ROH
- The leaving group**
 - stronger LG = faster rxn
- Solvent**
 - polar protic, w/ OH / H₂O
- R group**
 - more substituted = faster rxn
- Mechanism**
 - Carbocation formation - rate determining
 - β hydrogen elimination

Saytzeff rule: more substituted alkene C=C will be the major product bc it is more stable/zaitseff rule

X¹ + X² + Y + Z must be different for stereoisomers to be possible!

reactivity of alkyl halide is the same for E2 + E1, more substituents = more reactive

base strength: -OR stronger than -OH, bigger R = stronger base, ROH

vicinal alkene synthesis

geminal alkene synthesis

dihalide: alkene w/ two halides, produces alkyne when w/ a strong base (NH₂ usu.) + DMSO solvent.

| rxn | reagent | comment |
|-------|-------------------|---|
| ROH → | HCl | all ROH: 2°/3° = S _N 1, 1°/methyl = S _N 2 |
| ROH → | SOCl ₂ | S _N 2, best for methyl, 1° + 2° |
| ROH → | HBr | all ROH: 2°/3° = S _N 1, 1°/methyl = S _N 2 |
| ROH → | PBr ₃ | S _N 2, best for methyl, 1° + 2° |
| ROH → | HI | all ROH: 2°/3° = S _N 1, 1°/methyl = S _N 2 |

Ch 9: alcohols

alcohol: R-OH ether: R-O-R' epoxide: oxiranes

- alcohols, ethers and epoxides are tetrahedral + bent around oxygen!!!
- epoxides have angle strain since they're in a ring, so they're more reactive
- Nomenclature:
 - alcohol: name longest carbon chain w/ OH group and add #-ol, then follow other nomenclature rules
 - diol: two -OH on alkyl, add -diol suffix instead of -ol
 - simple ethers: name both alkyl groups + add 'ether' at end
 - complex ethers: name simple ether (alkoxy) then name the rest normally w/ alkoxy substituent
 - epoxyalkanes: name chain attached to oxygen + use epoxy- prefix
 - oxiranes: 2 C + one O in a ring, O at 1, substituent at 2
 - alkene oxide: name like alkene, add 'oxide' at end

Properties

- boiling point/melting point: more -OH = higher bp/mp, branching = lower bp/mp
- Williamson ether synthesis: ethers synthesized through S_N rxns, pathway with less sterically hindered -Nu- is preferred bc S_N rxns + skinny
- alcohols need hydroxide nucleophile to be synthesized (NaOH, KOH)
- ethers need alkoxides to be synthesized (NaOR)
- epoxides need an organic compound with a hydroxy + halogen on adjacent carbons to be synthesized
- alcohols, ethers + epoxides all have poor leaving groups that must be modified before they can undergo substitution/elimination rxns.

E1 dehydration of 2° + 3° alcohols

- Protonation of -OH → -OH₂⁺, a good leaving group
- Carbocation formation (rate determining)
- H₂O removes β proton + π bond formed

*H₂SO₄ is an acid catalyst in this reaction

E2 dehydration of 1° alcohol

- Protonation of -OH → -OH₂⁺, a good leaving group
- Base removes β + π bond is formed at the same time

Carbocation rearrangement: alkyl/hydride group shifts once to switch places with β to create a more stable carbocation

Denaturation of POCl₃: works better than H₂SO₄ w/ organic compound, acts as an acid catalyst happens through E2 mechanism, no rearrangements.

alcohol → alkyl halides using HX: H protonates OH, and X acts as nucleophile. HX are used to prepare alkyl halides. more substituted alcohols react more quickly w/ HX

- 1° alcohols → S_N2 rxns
- 2°/3° alcohols → S_N1 rxns
- 1° ROH + HX - S_N2 mechanism
- 2° ROH + HX - S_N1 mechanism
- 3° ROH + HX - S_N1 mechanism

ROH with SOCl₂ + Pyridine

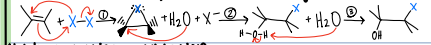
- 1°/2° ROH + SOCl₂ + Pyridine react to form alkyl chloride, HCl + SO₂
- tosylate and alcohols
- TsCl + alcohol, then H on OH leaves + O binds to Ts, making -OTs which is a good leaving group, similar to I⁻. retention of stereogenic center.

Rms of Ethers with strong acids

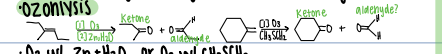
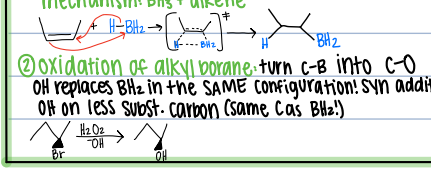
- HI and HBr can be used w/ ethers bc both C-O bonds are cleaved + two alkyl halides products
- two successive Nu substitution, one for each alkyl
- 3° S_N1 to break C-O bond
- Protonation of ether O creates O⁺, good leaving group
- cleavage of C-O bond → 3° carbocation (S_N1)
- Nu attack forms substitution product
- 1° CH₃-OH → alkyl halide by S_N2 mechanism
- Protonation of OH to make good leaving group
- CH₃-OH + H-I → CH₃-OH₂⁺ + I⁻
- Nu attack by I⁻ forming second alkyl halide
- CH₃-OH₂⁺ + I⁻ → CH₃-I

Thiols R-S-H

- lower bp than alcohols
- oxidized with Br₂ or I₂ to produce disulfides (R-S-S-R)



Hydroboration-oxidation
 (Hydroboration: add BH_3 to alkene \rightarrow alkylborane, syn addition, no carbocation rearrangements, boron on less subst. carbon bc chunky Boron)



mechanism?

oxidation of alcohol
 basic mechanism: $X-O-H \rightarrow X-O-Z + H^+$
 3° alcohols: do NOT oxidize well because no available H on the carbon w/ the alcohol

2° alcohols: alcohol converted to a ketone using CrO_3 , MnO_2 , $K_2Cr_2O_7$, $Na_2Cr_2O_7$
 mechanism: formation of chromate ester, then loss of H^+

oxidation of 1° alcohols
 1° alcohols are oxidized to aldehydes (RCHO) under mild rxn conditions using PCC in CH_2Cl_2
 1° alcohols are oxidized to carboxylic acids (RCOOH) using harsher rxn conditions: $Na_2Cr_2O_7$, $K_2Cr_2O_7$, or CrO_3 IN $H_2SO_4(aq)$ and H_2O
 - 3 steps: oxidation to form first aldehyde, rxn w/ water, oxidation to form carboxylic acid

