

Welcome to

ORGANIC CHEMISTRY

How to master Organic Chemistry easily and perfectly?

STUDY TIPS FOR STUDENTS

1. RRR Reading Formula:

First Reading = Confusion; Second Reading = Clarity; Third Reading = Confidence.

Organic Chemistry takes time to master - Slow and Steady Wins the Race.

2. Apply RAW (Read And Write) : First Read & Understand. Then Write without seeing.

3. Teach and explain to some one: If you can explain simply, you can understand deeply.

4. Use short memory tricks (remember key rules):

SN^1 - carbocation - Racemisation

SN^2 - backside attack - inversion

5. Understand perfectly the real meanings of the new terms.

6. Analyse & Master the basics: Understand why such reactions happen.

- Stability
- Polarity
- Acidity
- Electrophiles Vs nucleophiles
- Inductive effect (+I, -I)
- Resonance
- Hyper conjugation

7. Practice Named Reactions and write structures again and again:

Practice daily and revise weekly: IUPAC Names with structures, Named reactions.

8. Identify reaction Patterns: Understand that same patterns repeat with small changes.

- Substitution SN^1 , SN^2
- Elimination E_1 , E_2
- Addition
- Oxidation / reduction

9. Learn mechanisms like a story:

- Every reaction has a step by step flow.
- **Think:** who attacks, why?, who leaves?

10. Always keep in mind the 'common side headings' of various chapters:

- i) Common & IUPAC Names
- ii) Nomenclature
- iii) Classification
- iv) Stability, polarity, acidity/ basicity, rate of reaction
- v) Special types of reactions/ mechanisms.
- vi) Preparations with Named reactions.
- vii) Physical properties
- viii) Chemical properties
- ix) Uses

11. Super Tip: If you master the first chapter (Haloalkanes) perfectly in the best way, then the remaining chapters become very easy to learn.

12. Link chapters like a conversion chain : Haloalkanes - Alcohols - Aldehydes - Carboxylic acids.

DO YOUR BEST

AMAZING BENEFITS FOR STUDENTS / LEARNERS**WHO MASTER ORGANIC CHEMISTRY****DEAR STUDENTS!**

More than Marks, Mastering **Organic Chemistry** trains your brain in multiple cognitive domains.

1. Memory Power (Retention & Recall):

When you learn reactions, mechanisms, and reagents; you repeatedly store and retrieve information. This strengthens neural connections of your Brain (like exercising muscles).

Remembering Named Reactions builds Long-term Memory .

Result: Faster recall in exams + improved general memory

2. Analytical Thinking (Cause → Effect Reasoning):

Organic chemistry constantly asks: Why does this reaction happen? Why is one product major?

You analyze: Stability; Electron flow; Reaction conditions

Result: Strong logical reasoning and decision-making skills

3. Pattern Recognition (Smart Learning Skill):

You start noticing patterns like: $3^\circ \rightarrow \text{SN}^1$; reactivity of Aldehydes > Ketones

Result: Brain becomes efficient at: Predicting outcomes, Spotting trends.

4. Problem-Solving Ability:

Every question and concept is like a puzzle: Identify reactants, Apply mechanism, Predict product.

You develop: Step-by-step thinking and Multi-step reasoning.

5. Concept Integration:

Organic chemistry connects manythings: Haloalkanes → Alcohols → Acids → Amines

Result: You learn to Link concepts, Think holistically.

6. Attention to Detail: A tiny change (like position of -OH) changes everything.

Result: Improves Accuracy, Focus, Careful observation.

7. Spatial Intelligence (3D Picture Thinking) :

You imagine molecules in 3D; Tetrahedral structures, Optical isomers.

Result: You improve strong visualization skills (useful in engineering, design, medicine).

8. Cognitive Flexibility:

Same reaction, different conditions , different results.

Result: Brain becomes Adaptable, Flexible in thinking.

9. Confidence & Mental Discipline:

Once you master organic chemistry- You trust your reasoning, You handle complex problems calmly.

Result: Confidence + Discipline + Memory + Logic + Visualization + Practice = **Strong Brain.**

REAL INSIGHT

Organic Chemistry is not just a subject;

It is a **brain training system** that **improves Thinking, Reasoning, Learning ability**

6. HALOALKANES (R-X) & HALOARENES (Ar-X)

STUDY NOTES

1. Haloalkanes & Haloarenes:

- i) Common name : Alkyl halides
- ii) IUPAC name : • Haloalkanes (open chain - aliphatic)
• Haloarenes (closed chain - aromatic - $(4n+2) \pi$ rule)
- iii) General Formula : • $C_nH_{2n+1}-X$ (or) R-X, where R=Alkyl group, X = F, Cl, Br, I;
• $C_nH_{2n-7}-X$ (or) Ar-X, where Ar=Aryl group
- iv) Haloalkanes Ex : CH_3Cl , C_2H_5Br , $CHCl_3$, CCl_4
- v) Haloarenes Ex : C_6H_5Cl or 

2. Classification of Alkyl halides :

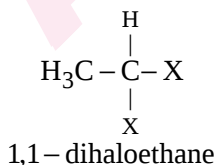
I) Classification based on number of Halogen atoms :

i) Monohalo alkanes - One halogen, CH_3Cl

ii) Dihalo alkanes - Two halogens, CH_2Cl_2

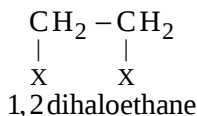
a) Gem dihalides (Halides with two identical halogen atoms attached to the same carbon)

Ex: $C_2H_4X_2$ (or) (CH_3CHX_2)



b) Vicinal dihalides (Halides with two identical halogen atoms attached on adjacent carbons)

Ex: $C_2H_4X_2$ (or) (XCH_2-CH_2X)



iii) Trihalo alkanes - Three halogens - $CHCl_3$

iv) Polyhalo alkanes - More than three halogens - CCl_4

II) Classification based on type of C bonded to X (or) No. of alkyl groups (R) attached to C:

a) Aliphatic alkyl halides (R-X) : Compounds containing sp^3 C-X bond.

i) Primary (1°) alkyl halides: One alkyl group is attached to **primary carbon in C-X**

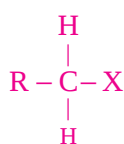
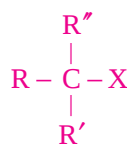
Carbon in C-X is bonded to one carbon of one R(alkyl group)

ii) Secondary (2°) alkyl halides: Two alkyl groups are attached to **two carbons in C-X**

Carbon in C-X is bonded to two carbons of two R.

iii) Tertiary (3°) alkyl halides: Three alkyl groups are attached to **three carbons in C-X**

Carbon in C-X is bonded to three carbons of three R.

Primary (1°)Secondary (2°)Tertiary (3°)

X-attached to saturated carbon

☞ This classification is useful to determine

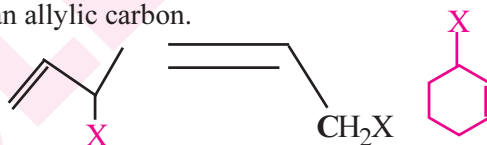
i) Stability of carbocation ($3^\circ > 2^\circ > 1^\circ$) ii) Mechanisms of SN^1 , SN^2

b) Allylic halides: In these compounds, halogen atom (X) is bonded to an sp^3 carbon atom (CH_2) which is adjacent to a carbon-carbon double bond ($C=C$).

Here, the carbon bearing halogen is said to be an allylic carbon.

Structure: $R-CH=CH-CH_2-X$

Ex: Allylic chloride $CH_2=CH-CH_2-Cl$

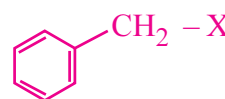


☞ These allylic halides are seen in SN^1 , SN^2 reactions.

c) Benzylic halides: In these halides, the halogen(X) is bonded to an sp^3 carbon atom (CH_2) adjacent to benzene ring (C_6H_5-).

Structure: Benzene ring + CH_2-X

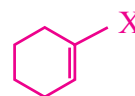
Ex: Benzyl chloride: $C_6H_5CH_2Cl$.

**III) Classification based on compounds containing sp^2 C-X bond:**

a) Vinylic halides: In these compounds, halogen atom (X) is attached directly to an sp^2 carbon in $C=C$ double bond.

Structure: $RCH=CH-X$

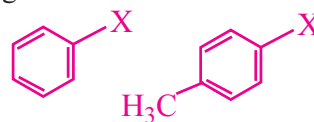
Ex: Vinyl chloride: $CH_2=CHCl$.



b) Haloarenes (Aryl halides): Haloarenes are aromatic compounds where a halogen atom is directly attached to an sp^2 carbon of an aromatic ring like benzene.

Structure: $AR-X$, AR is alkyl group.

Ex: C_6H_5Cl , Phenyl chloride or Chloro benzene



☞ When multiple halogen atoms are present, the following prefixes are used to indicate the position of substituent. Ortho (o-), Meta (m-), Para (p-)

3) IUPAC Nomenclature:

Rule 1: Halo prefix (X-bromo, chloro, fluoro, iodo) + **Parent alkane** Ex: CH_4 (methane);

C_2H_6 (ethane); C_3H_8 (propane) ; C_4H_{10} (butane)

Ex : CH_3Cl - Chloromethane.; $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{Cl}$, Chloroethane

Rule 2: Carbon position number (attached to halo substituent) + halo prefix (o) + parent alkane

Ex 1: $\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{Cl} = \text{CH}_3\text{--CH}_2\text{--CH}_2\text{Cl} \rightarrow$ 1- chloropropane (**Single halogen**)

Ex 2: $\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{Cl} = \text{CH}_3\text{--CHCl--CH}_3 \rightarrow$ 2- chloropropane (**Single halogen**)

Rule 3: For multiple number of same halogen or differnt halogens use di for 2; tri for 3; tetra for 4

Ex 1 : $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_2 = \text{CHCl}_2\text{--CH}_3 \rightarrow$ 1,1- dichloroethane (**same multiple halogens**)

Ex 2: $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{Cl Br} = \text{CH}_2\text{Cl--CH}_2\text{Br} \rightarrow$ 1- bromo- 2-chloroethane (**different multiple halogens**)

4) C-X bond: It plays a key role in the chemical reactions of alkyl halides.

C-X is polar, because Halogens (X) are more electronegative than Carbon.

Thus, C bears a partial positive charge (δ^+) and halogen atom bears a partial negative charge (δ^-)

☞ The polarity of C-X bond makes alkylhalides reactive in nucleophilic substitution reactions. (SN^1 & SN^2) and Elimination reactions (E_1 & E_2) .

5.1) Preparation of Haloalkanes:

(a) **From alcohols** : Hydroxyl group of alcohol is replaced by halogen.

(b) **From alkanes** : By free radical Halogenation- chlorination, bromination

(c) **From alkenes** : (i) Addition of HX (ii) Addition of Halogens

(d) **From hydrogen exchange method**

5.2) Preparation of Haloarenes:

(a) **From hydrocarbons** (Electrophilic substitution in benzene)

(b) **From diazonium salt** (Sandmeyer's reaction & Gatterman reaction)

6) Physical properties of alkylhalides:

i) **Solubility:** Mostly insoluble in water and soluble in organic solvents.

ii) **Order of BP** : $\text{R-I} > \text{R-Br} > \text{R-Cl} > \text{R-F}$

(MP & BP increase with molecular mass and decrease with branching.)

iii) **Order of Polarity** : $\text{R-F} > \text{R-Cl} > \text{R-Br} > \text{R-I}$

7) Chemical reactions of alkylhalides:

i) **Nucleophilic substitution reactions (SN^1 & SN^2)** : These reactions transform alkylhalides into formation of functional groups like alcohols, ethers, amines, nitrites.

SN^1 : Hydrolysis of tert-butyl bromide results 2 methyl propan 2-ol(racemisation.)

SN^2 : Hydrolysis of **2-bromobutane** in aqueous KOH forms **2-butanol**.

ii) **Elimination reactions (E_1, E_2):**

Removing HX from haloalkane (Dehydrohalogenation) to form alkenes.

iii) **Reaction with metals:**

Wurtz reaction - formation of higher alkanes & Grignard reagent (R-Mg-X)

8) **Stereochemistry (3d arrangements & structures of atoms in molecules) :**

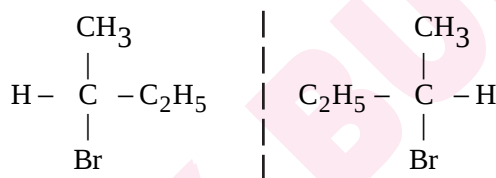
i) **Achiral** molecules are super imposable on their mirror images.

ii) **Chiral** molecules are non -super imposable asymmetric.

They are optically active which can rotate a plane polarised light.

iii) **Enantiomers**: A pair of chiral isomers that are non-superimposable mirror images of each other, usually represented as R and S forms.

Ex: Optically active 2- bromo butane

9) **Daily life uses:**

- **Chloroform (CHCl_3)**: Earlier used as anesthetic; now mainly solvent in labs
- **Freons (CFCs)**: Used in refrigerators & AC's(now restricted due to ozone depletion)
- **DDT (Dichloro-diphenyl-trichloroethane)**: Powerful insecticide (now banned/restricted).
- **Teflon (PTFE)**: Non-stick coating in cookware.

Quick Revision Points

- **Haloalkane** → Halogen + chain
- **Haloarene** → Halogen + benzene
- C-X bond is polar.
- $SN1$ → carbocation → racemisation
- $SN2$ → one-step → inversion
- Haloarenes → less reactive than haloalkanes