

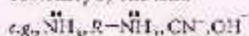
Organic Compounds

I: Nature of Attacking Reagents

Types

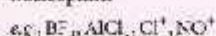
Nucleophiles (nucleus loving)

- Expressed by a symbol: Nu⁻
- Electron rich
- Donate an electron pair
- Attack on electron deficient atoms (i.e., low e⁻ density)
- Lewis bases (e⁻ pair donor)
- Carry neutral or -ve charge
- Possess an unshared pair of electrons which are not too strongly held to the atomic nucleus.
- Able to increase their covalency by one unit.



Electrophiles (electron loving)

- Expressed by a symbol E⁺
- Electron deficient
- Accept an electron pair
- Attack on electron rich atoms (i.e., high e⁻ density)
- Lewis acids (e⁻ pair acceptors)
- Carry neutral or +ve charge
- Possess an empty orbital to receive the electron pair from the nucleophile.
- Able to form an extra or alternative bond with the nucleophile.



II: Electronic Displacements in Organic Molecules

Organic compounds undergo electronic displacements on their own or under the influence of an attacking agent.

Inductive effect:

- Permanent effect
- Observed in saturated compounds
- Operate through σ-bonds
- Represented by > arrow
- +I effect: $\overset{\delta-}{C} \leftarrow C \leftarrow C \leftarrow C \leftarrow \overset{\delta+}{Cl}_3$
(Substituent attached to the end of the carbon chain is electron donating.)
- I effect: $\overset{\delta+}{C} \rightarrow C \rightarrow C \rightarrow C \rightarrow \overset{\delta-}{X}$
(Substituent attached to the end of the carbon chain is electron withdrawing (X = F, Cl, CN etc.))

Stability of carbocation/free radical

$\infty + I \propto \frac{1}{I} \propto \text{Strength of base cation (conjugate acid)}$

Thus, order is 1° < 2° < 3°

Stability of carbanion

$\infty - I \propto \frac{1}{+I} \propto \text{Strength of acid anion (conjugate base)}$

Thus, order is 1° > 2° > 3°

Mesomeric/Resonance effect:

- Permanent effect
- Represented by a curved (↷) arrow
- Operate through two x-bonds or a π-bond with the lone pair
- Observed in unsaturated and conjugated compounds



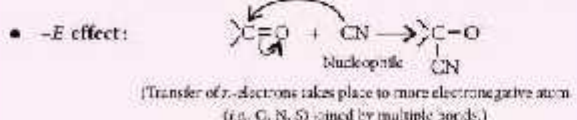
(+M) effect



(-M) effect

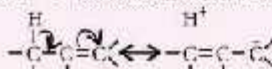
Electromeric effect:

- Temporary effect
- Represented by a curved (↷) arrow
- Operates in multiple covalent bonds or an atom with a lone pair of electrons



Hyperconjugation/No bond resonance/σ-π conjugation:

- Permanent effect
- Delocalization of σ and π-bond orbitals



Substitution Reactions

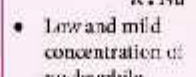
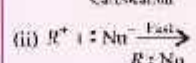
(Replacement of an atom by a different atom)

Reaction is done by -

- Free radical (e.g., Wurtz reaction)
- Ionic: Electrophilic (by electrophiles), S_E
- Nucleophilic (by nucleophiles), S_N

S_N1

- Unimolecular
- First order
- Two steps reaction

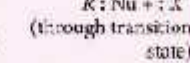


- Low and mild concentration of nucleophile.
- Solvents of high polarity
- Catalysed by Lewis and Brønsted acids

e.g., Hydrolysis of tert-butyl halide.

S_N2

- Bimolecular
- Second order
- One step reaction

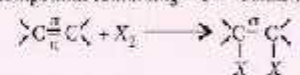


- High and strong concentration of nucleophile.
- Solvents of low polarity
- Catalyst not involved.

e.g., Hydrolysis of methyl halide.

Addition Reactions

(Compounds containing = or ≡ bonds)



Reaction is done by -

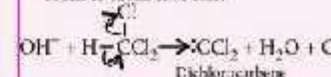
- Free radical (e.g., Peroxide effect)
- Ionic: Nucleophilic, A_N
- Electrophilic, A_E

(e.g., Markownikoff's rule)

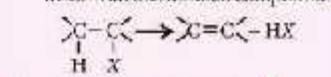
Elimination Reactions

(Reverse of addition reaction)

α-elimination: Two atoms or groups are lost from the same carbon atom to form carbene.



β-elimination: Two atoms or groups are lost from adjacent carbon atoms to form an unsaturated compound.



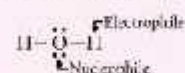
Rearrangement Reactions

(Migration of an atom/group within the molecule)

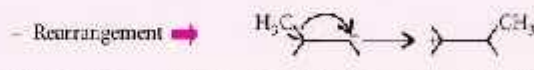
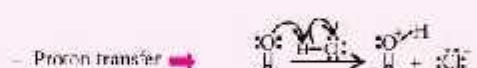


Have A Look!

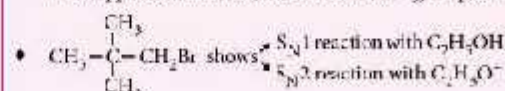
- Lewis acid and base are terms that are used generally, but when one or the other reacts to form a bond to a carbon atom, we usually call it an electrophile or a nucleophile.
- Amphiphile (ambident) reagents, behave both like electrophiles and nucleophiles.



- 4-Characteristic patterns of electron flow are:



- When inductive and electromeric effects both are operative in the same molecule but in the opposite directions, the electromeric effect predominates.



- If the reactant is a 1° alkyl halide → Undergoes only S_N2/E2 reactions.
- If the reactant is a 2°/3° alkyl halide,
 - Undergoes S_N2/E2 reactions favoured by a high concentration of a good nucleophile/strong base
 - Undergoes S_N1/E1 reactions favoured by a poor nucleophile/weak base.