Chapter 3: Alkane Properties, Introduction to Organic Functional Groups and Stereochemistry



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Outline

- The Language of Chemistry
- Common Functional Groups in Organic Chemistry
- Physical properties and trends of alkanes
- Nomenclature of alkanes and cycloalkanes
- Stereochemistry and Isomers

 Constitutional isomers, cis-trans isomers
- Conformational analysis
- Newman Projections

"Knowing the Lingo"

...when talking business, among experts, or clients



Business Model Canvas - Alexander Osterwalder

Specialized Language – practice makes perfect

B2B or (Business-to-Business)

Companies doing business with each other such as manufacturers selling to distributors and wholesalers selling to retailers. Pricing is based on quantity of order and is often negotiable.

B2C or (Business-to-Consumer)

Businesses selling to the general public typically through catalogs utilizing shopping cart software.

C2B or (Consumer-to-Business)

A consumer posts his project with a set budget online and within hours companies review the consumer's requirements and bid on the project. The consumer reviews the bids and selects the company that will complete the project.

C2C or (Consumer-to-Consumer)

There are many sites offering free classifieds, auctions, and forums where individuals can buy and sell thanks to online payment systems like PayPal where people can send and receive money online with ease.

G2G or (Government-to-Government)

G2E or (Government-to-Employee)

G2B or (Government-to-Business)

B2G or (Business-to-Government)

C2G or (Citizen-to-Government)

The last five acronyms represent other forms of e-commerce that involve transactions with the government. Other acronyms have a high degree of specialization; non specialists cannot decode them. For example:

SEO- Search Engine Optimization

EDI- Electronic Data Interchange

PPA- Pay per Action

PPC- Pay per Click

Organic Functional Group I



Organic Functional Group II



Organic Functional Group III



Organic Functional Group IV



Organic Functional Group V



Hydrocarbon Connectivity



CH₃ Primary (1°) carbon atom (methyl)



Secondary (2°) carbon atom (methylene)



جم^ح H _____ *Tertiary* (3°) carbon atom (methine)



Quaternary (4°) carbon atom



Intermolecular forces of alkyl amines Amine derivatives (of similar molecular weight)



Functional Group Polarity



- Polarized bonds
- Carbonyls found in most biomolecules

Multiple functional groups on the same molecule



Alkanes

- Simplest family of organic compounds (C and H only)
- "Alkyl" prefix (e.g. alkyl halide, alkyl group)
- Fully *saturated* (C_nH_{2n+2}), Free rotation around C-C bonds
- aka paraffins/waxes: From the Latin "parum affinis" meaning "little affinity" [for other substances]. "Aliphatic" Greek = "fat"
- Relatively unreactive not involved in biochemistry of living organisms
- Useful for introductory topics such as *nomenclature* and *stereochemistry*
- Physical properties are often functions of "carbon chain length" (i.e. boiling point, melting point, density, number of *isomers*)
- No dipole moment in "straight chain" alkane molecules
- Thus, the only intermolecular forces present are Van Der Waals forces (London Dispersion Forces)
- Often used as heating and transportation fuels (e.g. propane, gasoline, diesel) via exothermic combustion reactions with oxygen
- Have different energetic value depending on density, chain length, degree of oxidation

The "alkyl group"

Remove H from alkane, then name the group

(e.g. $CH_4 - H = CH_3 - a$ "methyl" group)

Other common examples: Ethyl (CH₃CH₂-) = ethyl alcohol (aka ethanol) = ethylamine, ethyl ester...

Propyl: $CH_3CH_2CH_2$ Butyl: $CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2$ Pentyl (or "amyl"): $CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2$

First 10 straight chain alkanes

Molecular Formula	Condensed Structural Formula	Name
CH_4	CH_4	Methane
C_2H_6	CH ₃ CH ₃	Ethane
C_3H_8	CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₃	Propane
$C_{4}H_{10}$	CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃	Butane
C5H12	CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃	Pentane
$C_{6}H_{14}$	CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃	Hexane
C7H16	CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃	Heptane
$C_{8}H_{18}$	CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₃	Octane
$C_{9}H_{20}$	CH ₃ CH ₂	Nonane
$C_{10}H_{22}$	CH ₃ CH ₂	Decane

Physical properties of alkanes as a function of carbon chain length

Number of carbons	Molecular	Name	Condensed	Boiling point (°C)	Melting point (°C)	Density ^a
carbons	tormuna	. tunic	Structure	()	(0)	(8/ 1112)
1	CH ₄	methane	CH ₄	-167.7	-182.5	
2	C ₂ H ₆	ethane	CH ₃ CH ₃	-88.6	-183.3	
3	C ₃ H ₈	propane	CH3CH2CH3	-42.1	-187.7	
4	C4H10	butane	CH3CH2CH2CH3	-0.5	-138.3	
5	C5H12	pentane	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₃ CH ₃	36.1	-129.8	0.5572
6	C6H14	hexane	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₄ CH ₃	68.7	-95.3	0.6603
7	C7H16	heptane	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₅ CH ₃	98.4	-90.6	0.6837
8	C8H18	octane	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₆ CH ₃	127.7	-56.8	0.7026
9	C9H20	nonane	CH3(CH2)7CH3	150.8	-53.5	0.7177
10	C10H22	decane	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₈ CH ₃	174.0	-29.7	0.7299
11	C11H24	undecane	CH3(CH2)9CH3	195.8	-25.6	0.7402
12	C12H26	dodecane	CH3(CH2)10CH3	216.3	-9.6	0.7487
13	C13H28	tridecane	CH3(CH2)11CH3	235.4	-5.5	0.7546
:	1	:		:	:	
20	C20H42	eicosane	CH3(CH2)18CH3	343.0	36.8	0.7886
21	C21H44	heneicosane	CH3(CH2)19CH3	356.5	40.5	0.7917
:		:		1	:	:
30	C30H62	triacontane	CH3(CH2)28CH3	449.7	65.8	0.8097

^a Density is temperature dependent. The densities given are those determined at 20 °C (d^{20°}).

MP and BP of alkanes



melting point (°C) + boiling point (°C)

Comparison of Combustion Fuels



http://www.engineeringtoolbox.com/liquids-densities-d_743.html

Fuel and Emissions Values as Functions of Oxidation (unsaturation) (e.g. VW Diesel and Biodiesel Fuel)

Trivial (systematic)		m.p. ^b	b.p. ^b	Cetane number	Viscosity ^e	HG ^d
name; acronym ^a		(°C)	(°C)			(kg cal/mol)
Linoleic (9Z, octadecadi	12Z- enoic); 18:2	-5	229-30 ¹⁶	31.4 ⁱ		
Methyl ester		-35	215 ²⁰	42.2 ^j ; 38.2 ⁱ		
Ethyl ester	2 double bon	ds	270-5 ¹⁸⁰	37.1 ⁱ ; 39.6 ⁱ	3.05 ^f ; 3.65 ^g ; 3.64 ^h	2794
Propyl ester				40.6 ⁱ ; 44.0 ⁱ		
Butyl ester				41.6; 53.5 ⁱ		
Stearic (octao	decanoic); 18:0	71	360d	61.7 ^j		2696.12 (25°)
Methyl este	r	39	442-3 ⁷⁴⁷	86.9 (92.1) ^e ;	4.74 ^f ; 5.51 ^h	2859
	0 double bor	nds		101 ⁱ		
Ethyl ester		31-33.4	199 ¹⁰	76.8 ^j ; 97.7 ⁱ		3012
Propyl ester	r			69.9 ^j ; 90.9 ⁱ		
Iso-propyl ester			96.5 ⁱ			
Butyl ester		27.5	343	80.1 ^j ; 92.5 ⁱ		

More saturation = higher cetane numbers = Lower NOx emissions More unsaturation = lower melting point = better "cold start" properties

Naming Organic Compounds



(4*R*,4a*R*,7*S*,7a*R*,12b*S*)-3-methyl-2,3,4,4a,7,7a-hexahydro-1*H*-4, 12-methanobenzofuro[3,2-*e*]isoquinoline-7,9-diol

"morphine"

Naming Chemicals with the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) Naming System



Naming alkanes: The 5 step process

1. Find longest carbon chain

2. Number atoms starting at the end nearest the closest branch point

- 3. Identify and number the substituents
- 4. Write name as a single word. Be mindful of hyphens, commas and alphabetization
- 5. Name complex substituents as if they were individual compounds

1) Find the longest continuous carbon chain

• Don't be afraid to "turn corners"



Name as a substituted heptane (C7)

Name as a substituted hexane (C6)

2a) Number the atoms in the longest continuous carbon chain

Begin at end nearest the first "branch point"



This end not nearest first branch point

2b

 If the branching is equidistant from both ends of the parent chain, begin numbering at the end nearest the second branch point



3) Identify and number the substituents

- Assign a number (locant) to each substituent to locate its point of attachment to the parent chain
- If there are two substituents on the same carbon, give them both the same number.
- There must be as many numbers in the name as there are substituents

Examples of substituent numbering



3-ethyl 4-methyl 7-methyl

Name as nonane (C9)



2-methyl 4-methyl 4-ethyl

Name as hexane (C6)

4) Write the name as a single word

- Use hyphens (-) to separate prefixes
- Use *commas* (,) to separate *numbers*
- If 2+ different substituents are present, cite them in *alphabetic order*
- If 2+ are present on the parent chain, use one of the multiplier prefixes (di-, tri-, tetra-), but do *not* consider these when alphabetizing.





3-methylhexane



3-ethyl-4,7-dimethylnonane

Prefix is *not* prioritized in alphabetization

4-ethyl-2,4-dimethylhexane



Alphabetization gives naming priority Prefix is not prioritized in alphabetization



4-ethyl-3-methylheptane

Alphabetization gives naming priority

3-ethyl-2-methylhexane

Alphabetization gives naming priority

5) Name a complex substituent as if it were a compound itself

- Name branched substituent beginning at its point of attachment to the main chain and identify it (e.g. "2-methylpropyl" group or an "isobutyl" group)
- Substituents are treated as a whole and alphabetized according to first letter of complete name (including any numerical prefix)
- Set off in parentheses when naming as a whole

Complex Example 1



Complex Example 2

- 1) Find longest carbon chain
- 2) Number atoms at end nearest to first branch point
- Identify and number the substituents
 2-methyl and 1,2-dimethylpropyl
- 4) Write name as single word being mindful of punctuation and alphabetization



5-(1,2-dimethylpropyl)-2-methylnonane

Reminders:

- Topics and 1 paragraph abstracts for *Flash-Presentations* due in 2 weeks (Oct 21). You may consult with me if questions on either. Presentations will be *in class* on Nov 18.
- Registration (as student) for SED Conference on Nov
 20 is <u>mandatory</u>. Visit csebcc.org and follow link
- 3. Extra Credit opportunity. Chemistry Haiku
- w/ English Professor Cross. Publish in "Thesis". Examples.
- Registration for SEGE Bucket E Pathways Course.
 Learning Community with HIS10 Mon/Weds AM Spring 2016
Cycloalkanes





Chrysanthemic acid a natural insecticide containing a "cyclopropane" group

IUPAC Name:

2,2-dimethyl-3-(2-methylprop-1enyl)cyclopropane-1-carboxylic acid

Chrysanthemums (aka "mums") Kiku Exhibit, NYBG - 2014

Cycloalkane chemistry

- Saturated cyclic hydrocarbons
- No free rotation around C-C bond
- "alicyclic" = "aliphatic + cyclic"
- (CH₂)_n not C₂H_{2n+2} because 2H lost in cyclization

cyclopropane

cyclobutane

cyclopentane cyclohexane

cycloheptane

cyclooctane

Nomenclature of Cycloalkanes

1) Count the number of carbon atoms in the ring and the number of carbon atoms in the largest substituent:

If the # of C atoms in the ring ≥ # atoms in the substituent, then name as alkyl substituted cycloalkane



methylcyclopentane

If the # of C atoms in the substituent ≥ # atoms in the ring, then name as cyclo-alkyl substituted alkane

1-cyclopropylbutane

2) Name the Substituents and Write Name

 For alkyl or halo substituted cycloalkanes, choose a point of attachment at carbon #1 and number substituents on the ring so that the second substituent has as low # as possible. Then continue with 3rd, 4th... substituent



Number alkyl groups alphabetically, omitting prefixes



1-ethyl-2-methylcyclopentane

2-ethyl-1-methylcyclopentane

 If halogens are present, treat them like alkyl groups (alphabetically speaking)



1-bromo-2-methylcyclobutane

2-bromo-1-methylcyclobutane

Example of Substituted Cycloalkanes







Stereochemistry and Isomers

- **Stereochemistry** = The study of chemistry in three dimensions (3D), involving the relative spatial arrangement of atoms that form the structures of molecules.
- Isomer = compounds with the same number and kinds of atoms - but differ in the manner in which the atoms are connected, or arranged in space





*Enantiomers require least 1 *chiral* carbon atom (a carbon bonded to 4 *different* substituents) ** Chiral diastereomers require at least 2 chiral carbon atoms

Constitutional (Structural) Isomers

• Atoms in molecules "connected" differently

Different carbon skeletons



Number of alkane constitutional isomers as a function of carbon chain length



Common isomeric alkyl groups





"Rotamers" are simply "rotational isomers" and mostly describe bonds in linear systems * Most importantly, they are energy barriers between rotations * Rotational Isomers (aka "Rotamers"): **Comparing C-C bond rotation**



Linear alkanes

VS.

Cycloalkanes

- Flexible (free rotation)
- Interconvert too rapidly to isolate
- Rotamers have different energy levels
- **Described by Sawhorse Representations** and Newman Projections

- Rigid (limited rotation)
- Can not rotate small ring structures (C3-C7) without breaking C-C bonds
- Larger cycloalkanes have more -
- "degrees of freedom" for rotation
- C25 and greater behave almost like open chain alkanes



Energetic factors contributing to rotation of linear systems



- Contributions from these factors vary depending on the substituent and can contribute positively or negatively to the energy barrier.
- Can often be observed and measured in the lab, by NMR and IR spectroscopy.

Energetics of Ethane Rotamers

Sum of interactions



Sum of Rotational Energies for Ethane – ChemDraw 3D can generate these plots very quickly for many simple compounds



Sum of Rotational Energies for Butane





Conformers used to describe cyclic systems, e.g. cyclohexane conformers Careful not to confuse "conformation" with configuration

Cyclohexane

- Drawing cyclohexanes and model inter-conversion
- Energetics (e.g. "chair" and "boat" conformations)
- Newman Projection
- Axial vs. equatorial ("chair/chair flip")
- Conformations of monosubstituted cyclohexanes
- Conformations of disubstituted cyclohexanes
- Polycyclic molecules

Drawing Cyclohexanes as easy as 1, 2, 3



1. Draw offset parallel lines 2. Connect bottom 3. Connect top



Drawing Axial and Equatorial Substituents of Cyclohexanes

- Axial bonds are drawn straight up and down from carbon at point of attachment –<u>easy</u>
- Equatorial bonds are drawn parallel to C-C bond two atoms away – thought required



1.



Energetics of cyclohexane conformational isomers ("conformers")



Biological examples of conformers



D-glucose (a hexose sugar, 180 g/mol)

- Hexose = 6 carbon sugar
- Produced by plants during photosynthesis
- Energy source for anaerobic, aerobic respiration, fermentation
- 16 kJ/gram (2880 kJ/mol)
- Solar radiation...
- Starch vs. cellulose...

 $C_6H_{12}O_6 + 6O_2 --> 6CO_2 + 6H_2O_2$

Alpha-glucose and Beta-glucose, Plus Primary Structures of Amylose and Cellulose

Alpha-glucose

Amylose (a component of "starch")



Newman Projections of Cyclohexane



"Chair" Conformation

"Twist Boat" Conformation 23 kJ/mol less stable

Ring Strain in "Chair" vs. "Twist Boat" Cyclohexane



 Minimal repulsion on all Hydrogen atoms

- Steric strain (electron cloud repulsion) between 1, 4
 Hydrogen atoms
- electrostatic repulsion(proton proton repulsion) between 1, 3
 hydrogens

The "Chair-Chair Flip"

- Passes through half chair, twist boat, boat
- Allows all axial substituents to become equatorial and vice versa
- 45 kJ/mol (interconversion occurs readily at RT)



Conformations of Monosubstituted Cyclohexanes

- The substituent is almost always *more stable* in the *equatorial* position
- Calculate the percentages of two isomers at equilibrium using ΔE = -RT ln K
 - Where ΔE = energy difference between 2 isomers
 - R = ideal gas constant (8.315 J/k mol)
 - T = Kelvin temperature
 - K = equilibrium constant
 - In = natural log

Example with methylcyclohexane



Conformational Analysis of cyclohexane: 1,3-diaxial and Gauche interactions



- Exact amount of 1, 3- diaxial strain depends on the nature and size of substituent
- Steric strain increases as size increases (methyl, ethyl, propyl, etc)
- Gauche interactions (3.8 kJ/mol)





	E per H atom
γ	kJ/mol
F	0.5
Cl, Br	1.0
ОН	2.1
CH ₃	3.8
CH ₂ CH ₃	4.0
CH(CH ₃) ₂	4.6
C(CH ₃) ₃	11.4
C_6H_5	6.3
CO ₂ H	2.9
CN	0.4

Conformations of disubstituted cyclohexanes

- More complex analysis (steric effects of *both* substituents must be considered)
- Both chair conformations must be analyzed for steric interactions before deciding which is favored

Cis 1,2-dimethylcyclohexane



Each Conformer has:

one gauche interaction (3.8 kJ/mol) two CH3 --- H 1,3- diaxial interactions (7.6 kJ/ mol)

Total Energy = 11.4 kJ/mol

Trans 1,2-dimethylcyclohexane



Diequatorial Conformer:

one gauche interaction (3.8 kJ/mol)

Total Energy = 3.8 kJ/mol

More stable

Diaxial Conformer:

Four CH3 --- H 1,3- diaxial interactions (7.6 kJ/mol)

Total Energy = 15.2 kJ/mol

cis- vs trans- 1,2-diethylcyclohexane

- Draw the two structures using 3 step method
- Perform conformational analysis on each using 1-3 diaxial interactions and gauche interactions
- What are the energy differences between the isomers?
- Which is/are more stable?
- CHEM DRAW 3D PLOT DIHEDRAL ANGLE VS. ENERGY (KCAL/MOL) FOR ETHANE ROTAMERS



- von Baeyer Theory (1885): deviation from ideal angle (109.5°)
- Angle strain: strain due to expansion or compression of bond angles (C₃-C₅)
- Torsional strain: strain due to eclipsing of bonds on neighboring atoms (C₇-C₁₁)
- Steric strain: strain due to repulsive interactions when atoms approach each other too closely (C_7-C_{11})
Sum of Cycloalkane Strain Energies vs. Ring Size



• Measured by difference in heat of combustion vs. linear alkane (per CH₂ unit)

Cyclopropane (27.6 kcal/mol = 115.4 kJ/mol)

Cyclobutane (26.4 kcal/mol = 110.5 kJ/mol)

Cyclopentane (6.5kcal/mol = 27.3 kJ/mol)

Cyclohexane = 0 kJ/mol!

Consequences of angle ring strain in cyclopropane

 Bonds between sp³ hybrid orbitals are bent rather than linear = weaker (and thus more reactive)



carbon frame of cyclopropane

255 kJ/mol = cyclopropane C-C bond 370 kJ/mol = propane C-C bond

Difference = 115 kJ/mol (measured by combustion) (CH₂)_n + 3n/2 O₂ → nCO2 + nH₂O + HEAT

Torsional and Steric Ring Strain in Cyclopropane

- Torsional strain: Eclipsing C-H bonds between neighboring atoms
- Steric strain: H atoms approaching one another too closely



Cyclobutane

- Less angle strain
- More torsional strain (more H atoms in ring)
- Total strain similar to cyclopropane (CB = 110 vs CP 115 kJ/mol)
- "Bends" to increase angle strain and decrease torsional strain until a minimum energy balance is acheived
- Interconversion between bent structures



Cyclopentane

- Predicted by to be strain free, but in actuality = 26 kJ/mol of strain
- Practically no angle strain, but large torsional strain
- Twists to adopt a "puckered", non-planar conformation to increase angle strain and decrease torsional strain
- Most H atoms are staggered with respect to their neighbors (4 carbons are in the same plane)



Conformations of polycyclic compounds

- Carbons 1 and 6 are called "bridgeheads"
- Cis- and trans- decalin are do not interconvert by ring flips or bond rotations
- Many other examples of polycyclic compounds in nature (i.e. steroids, terpenes)
- Norborane is a conformationally "locked" cyclohexane "boat"
- Same rules of conformational analysis apply



Conformation can determine *rate* and *product outcome* for organic reactions



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cis/trans refers to sides (or "faces") of a molecule (top or bottom) E/Z is best used for double bonds

Cis–Trans Isomers: cycloalkane example*

- When a molecule has two "faces"
- Cis orientation of substituents means "on the same side"
- Trans orientation of substituents means "on the opposite side"
- <u>Cannot</u> interconvert between *cis* and *trans* w/o breaking a C-C bond



cis-1,2-dimethylcyclopropane

trans-1,2-dimethylcyclopropane

* Cis-Trans isomers are also possible at double bonds

Cis-trans cycloalkane isomers in biology



Prostaglandins:

- Found in almost every tissues in humans and animals
- Responsible for a diverse set of phenotypic affects
- Aspirin (COX inhibitor = NSAID)
- Hydroxyl group and and heptanoic acid chain are *cis*
- α -hydroxy octene chain is *trans*

a representative prostaglandin

Homework

• Chapter 3:

In text: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 16 End of Chapter: 22, 24, 29, 32, 35, 38, 52

• Chapter 4:

In text: 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21

End of Chapter: 27, 28, 30, 34, 38, 40, 48, 54, 58, 61