

Alkene

- contains carbon carbon double bond
- general formula (C_nH_{2n})
- C-atom $\rightarrow sp^2$
- C-C \rightarrow strong σ
- weak π
- e.g Ethene

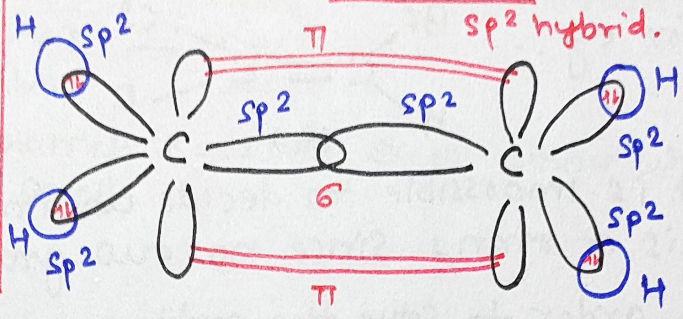
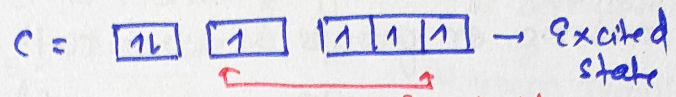
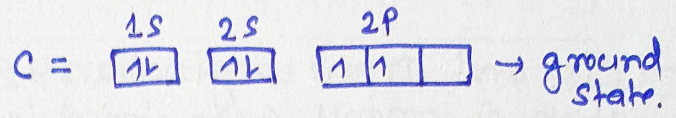


fig:- orbital picture of alkene

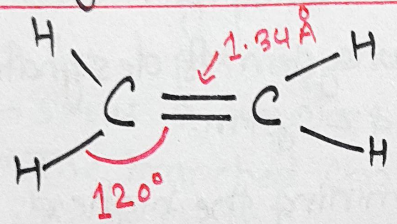
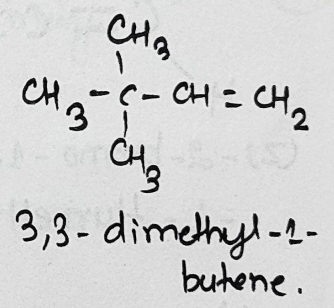
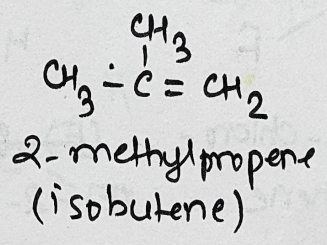
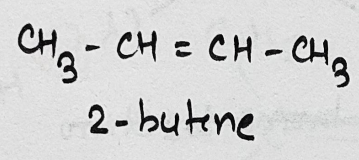
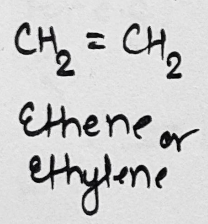


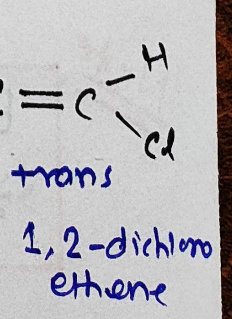
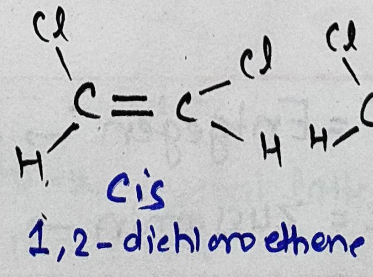
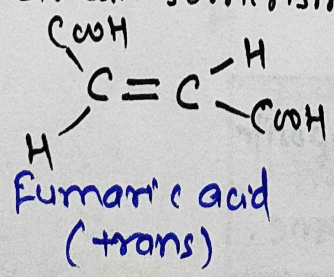
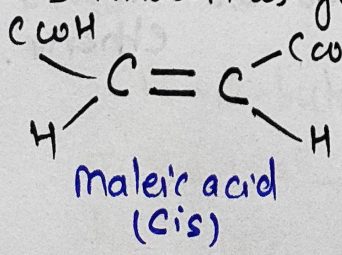
fig:- Structure of ethylene.

Nomenclature



Geometrical Isomerism

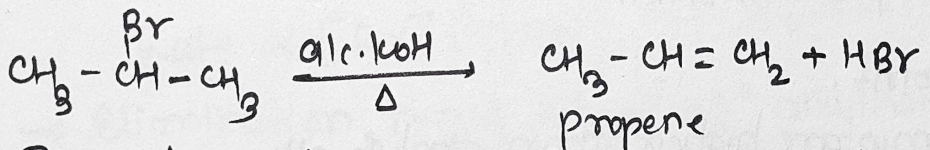
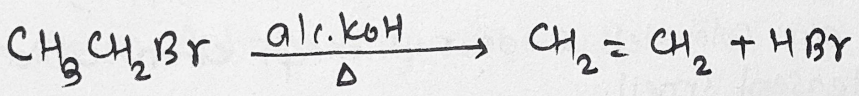
→ The isomer which have same structural formula but differ in their spatial arrangement of the groups around the double bond are known as geometrical isomers and the phenomenon is known as geometrical isomerism.



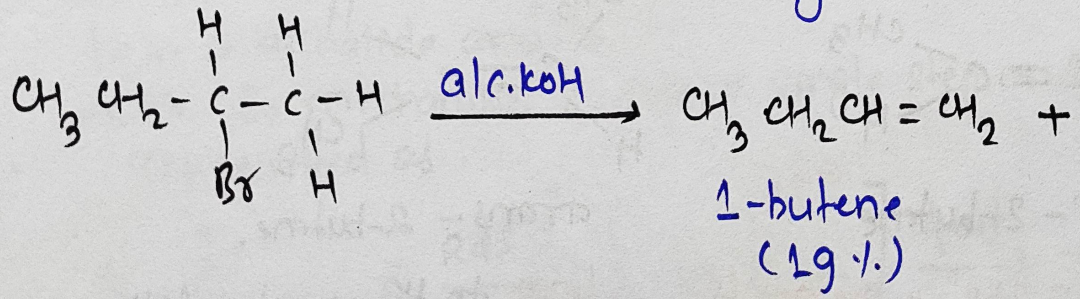
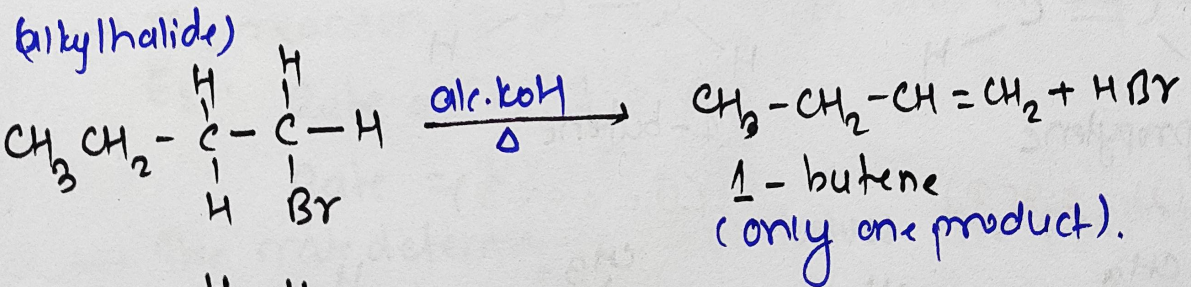
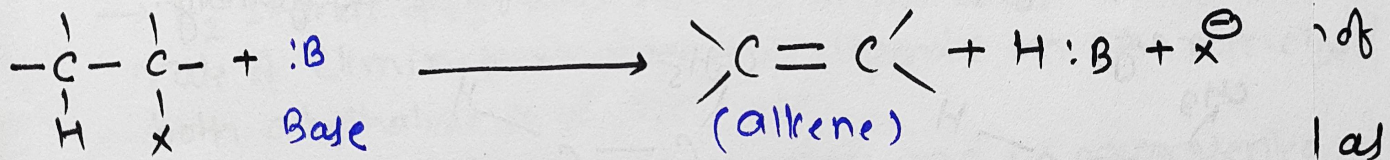
preparation.

Dehydrohalogenation of alkylhalide

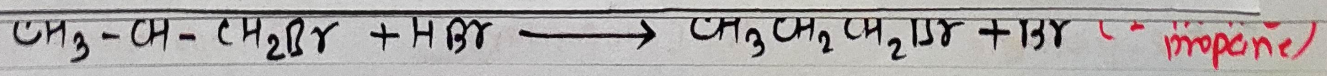
→ The treatment of alkylhalides with alc. KOH yields alkene in such cases a hydrogen halide molecule is eliminated from alkylhalide to produce alkenes and the process is known as dehydrohalogenation.



→ From the above reaction it's clear that a proton (hydrogen) is lost from 1st carbon whereas the halide ion is lost from adjacent carbon i.e. halide ion is lost from the β-carbon. Hence this type of elimination is also called β-elimination or 1,2-elimination.



According to Saytzeff rule. $\leftarrow \text{CH}_3\text{CH}=\text{CH}-\text{CH}_3$
2-butene (81%)



Kinetics of dehydrohalogenation

- Like nucleophilic substitution, elimination rxn can proceed by two different mechanism i.e. E_1 & E_2 .
- Elimination reaction of almost all alkylhalides with concentrated soln of base follow second order kinetics. i.e. the rate of formation of alkene depends upon the concn of both alkylhalides & base.

Rate $\propto [RX][Base] \rightarrow E_2$ mechanism.

- Elimination rxn of 1° , 2° & 3° alkylhalides with lower concentrated solution of base follows first order kinetics i.e. rate of formation of alkene depends only on the concn of alkylhalides.

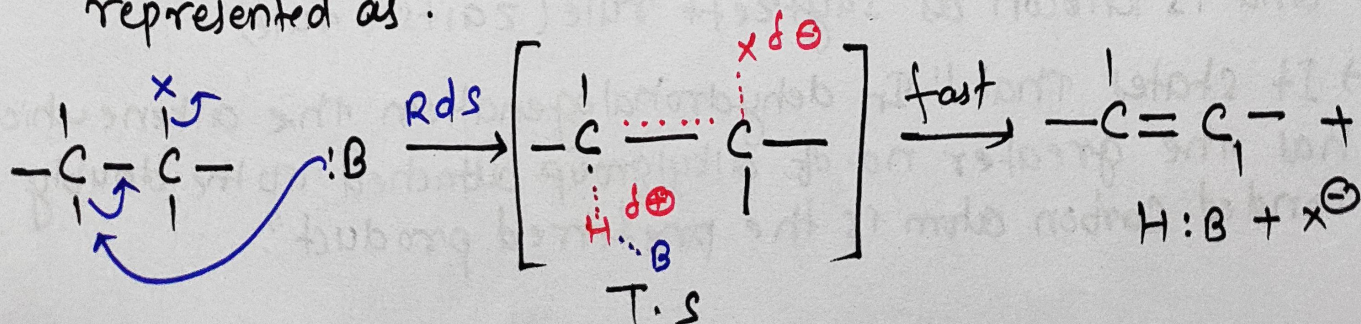
E_2 Mechanism

- E_2 stands for Elimination bimolecular. When the rate of elimination reaction depends on the concn of both alkylhalide and the base.
- The reaction is of second order and is represented as E_2 .

$$\text{Rate} = k[RX][:B]$$

- The rate determining step involves the participation of both alkylhalide and base.

- The E_2 mechanism involves a single step and can be represented as.

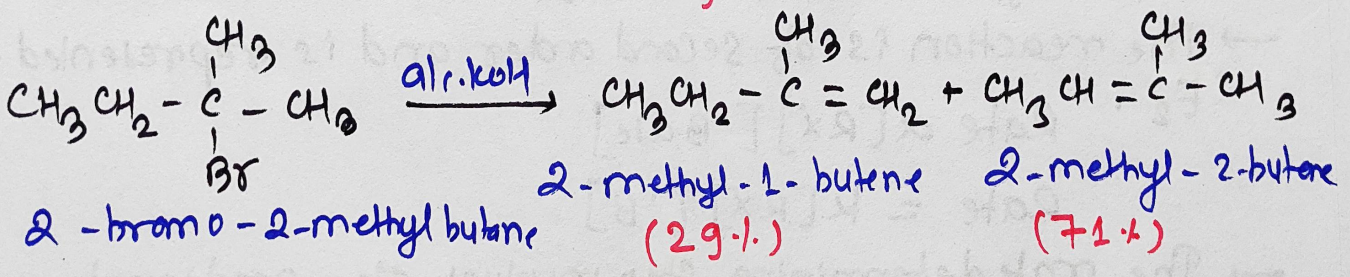
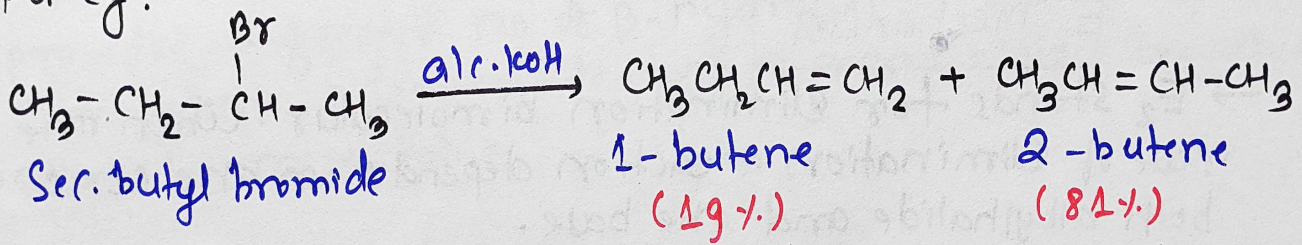


- Here the base abstracts the proton (β-hydrogen) & simultaneously a halide ion departs to give a double bond.
- In this process, at first a $\ddot{\delta}$ is formed in which partial bond exist between base and β-hydrogen and α-carbon & halogen.
- Finally the base abstracts the proton & at the same time the halide ion departs to give alkene.

orientation and Reactivity

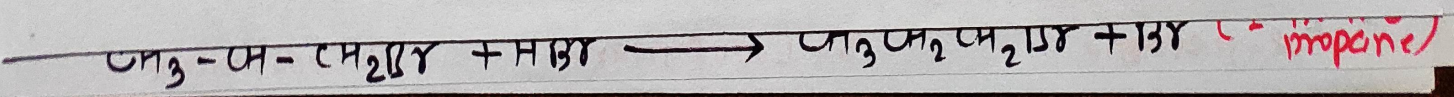
→ when elimination reaction is carried out in an ~~unsymmetrical~~ unsymmetrical alkylhalide, a mixture of all possible alkenes are obtained.

For eg:



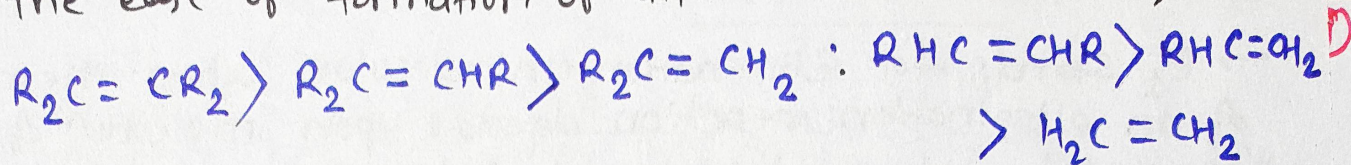
→ In ^{such} cases, the orientation i.e. formation of major product is governed by the rule given by Alexander Saytzeff and is known as Saytzeff rule (Zaitsev rule).

→ It states that "In dehydrohalogenation the alkene which has the greater no. of alkyl group attached to the doubly bonded carbon atom is the preferred product".



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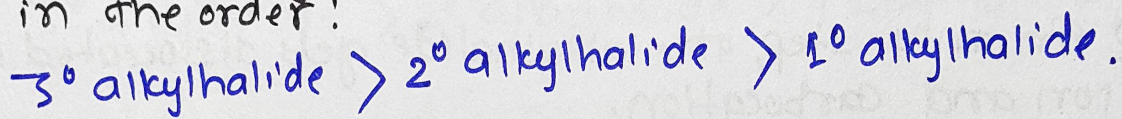
the ease of formation of alkene is in the order ;



Also, the value of heat of combustion & hydrogenation show the alkyl substituted alkene have the higher stability. Here it is clear that the ease of formation & the stability of alkene follow the same order. 12

So the Saytzeff rule may be stated as the more stable alkene, the faster it is formed.

→ The reactivity of alkylhalides in E_2 dehydrohalogenation is in the order:



As the branching of carbon carrying halogen atom provides a greater no. of β -hydrogen for attack by base, elimination is favored leading to more highly branched alkene i.e. more stable.

E₁ Mechanism

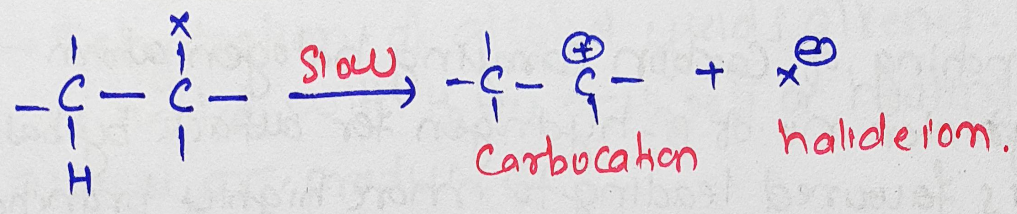
- E₁ stands for Elimination unimolecular. when the rate of an elimination reaction depends upon the concⁿ of the alkylhalide only and independent of base.
- This reaction is of 1st order and is represented by E₁.

$$R \propto [RX]$$

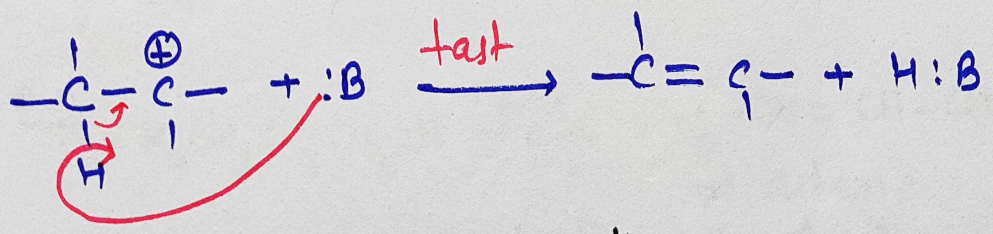
$$R = k[RX] \rightarrow \text{1st order kinetics.}$$

- The rate determining step involves the participation of alkylhalide only.
- The mechanism of this type of Elimination involves two steps.

Step (I) In this step, the alkylhalide gets dissociated into halide ion and carbocation.

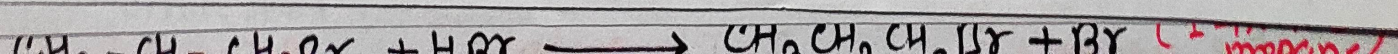


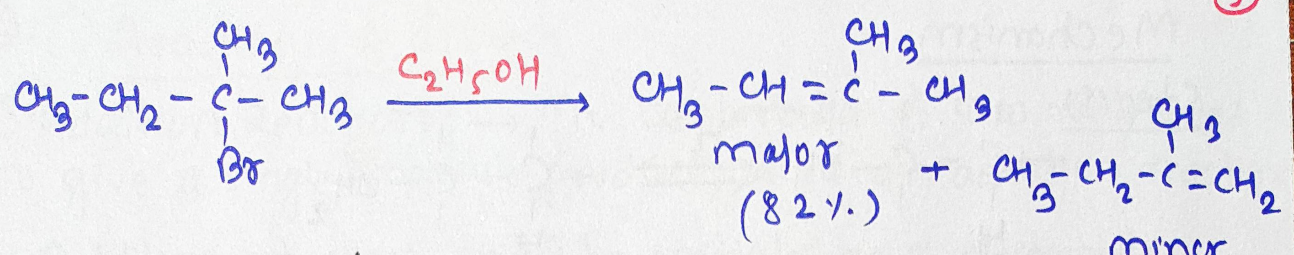
Step (II) In this step Carbocation rapidly loses a proton to base forming the alkene.



Orientation and Reactivity

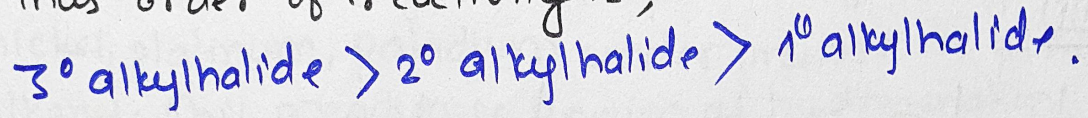
- As in E₂ Elimination, orientation in E₁ reaction follows the Saytzeff rule i.e. when there is possibility of more than one alkene, then the alkene which is more highly branched is the preferred product.





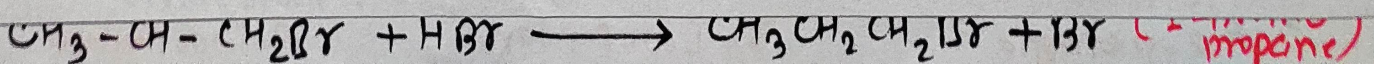
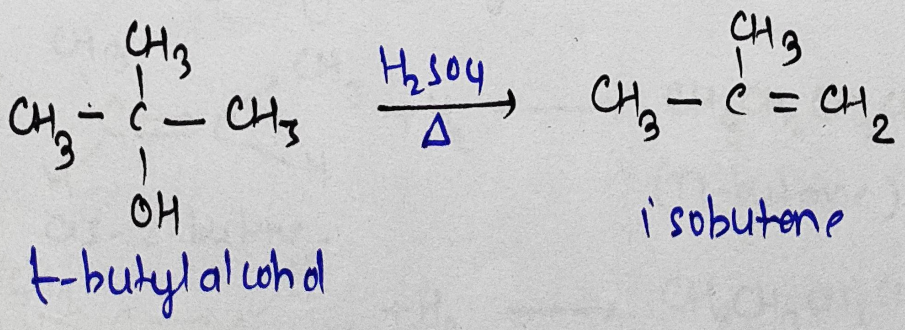
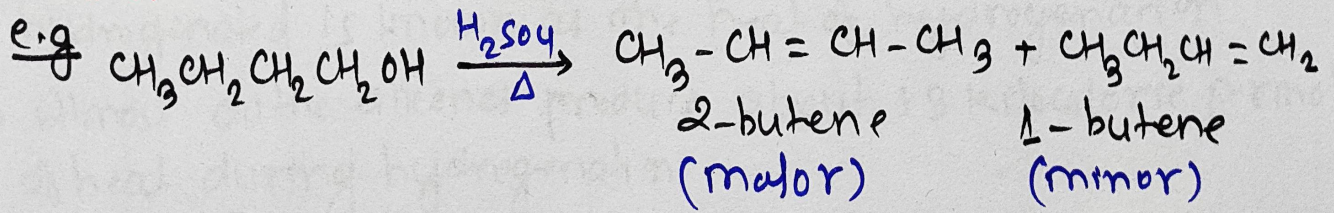
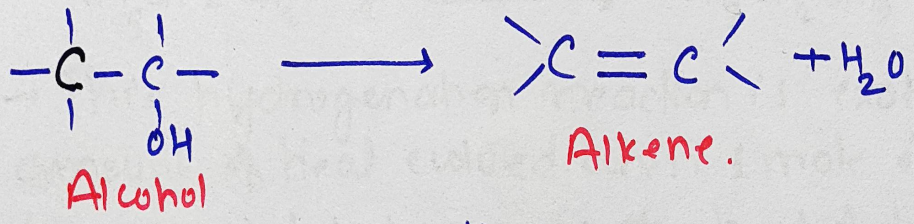
→ As the E1 reaction proceeds through two steps, the first step determines the reactivity and the second step determines the orientation.

Since the reactivity of E1 reaction depends upon the step (1) of the mechanism i.e. formation of carbocation, thus order of reactivity is;



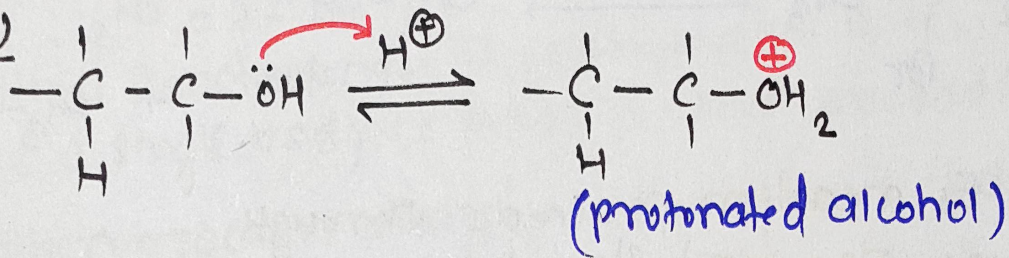
By dehydration of alcohol

→ Dehydration of alcohol yields alkenes. When alcohols are heated with H₂SO₄ or H₃PO₄ or heating with Al₂O₃ alkenes are produced.

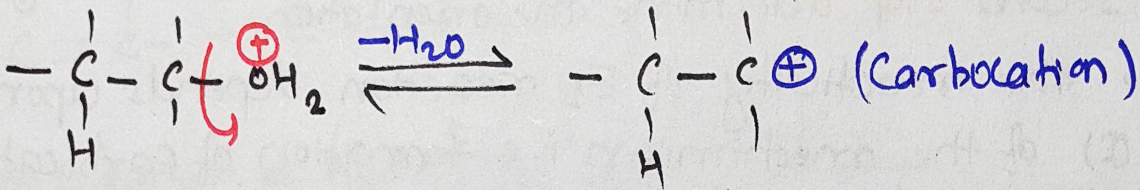


Mechanism.

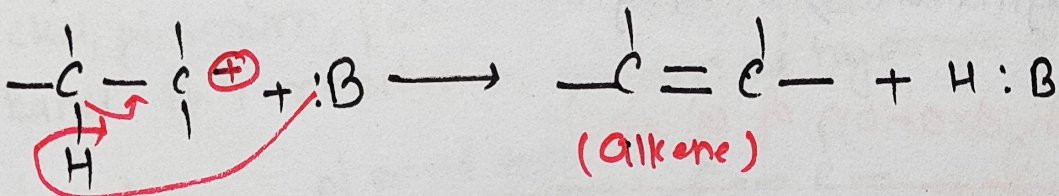
Step (I)



Step (II)



Step (III)

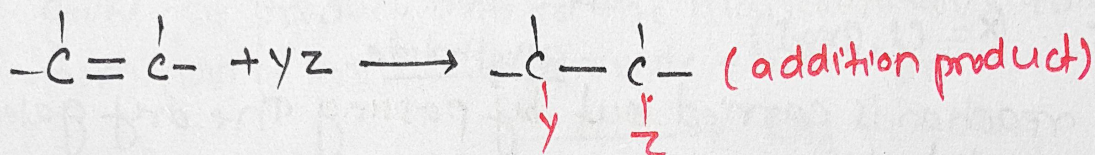


Reactions of alkene

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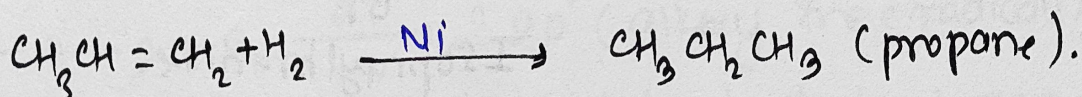
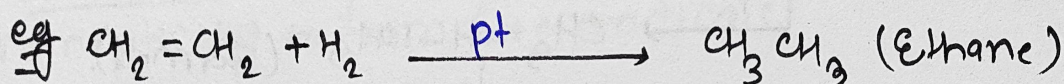
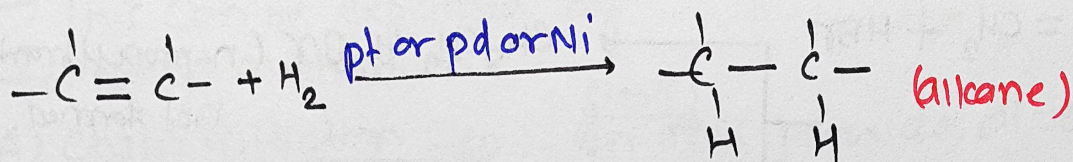
① Addition Reaction: → The combination of two molecules to give a single molecule product called an addition reaction.

→ Addition reaction may be initiated by an electrophile.



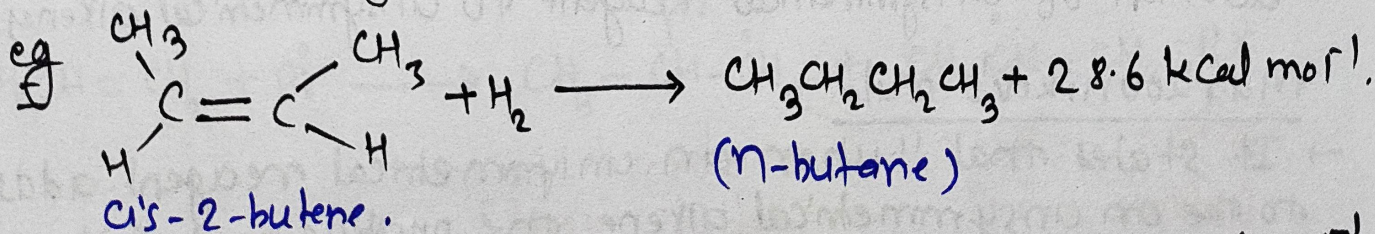
② Addition of hydrogen (hydrogenation)

→ Alkenes add hydrogen in the presence of catalyst such as nickel, platinum, palladium under pressure to give corresponding alkanes. This reaction is known as hydrogenation.

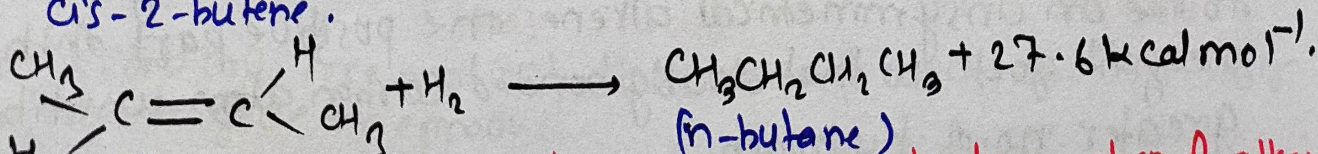


→ This hydrogenation reaction is exothermic & the amount of heat evolved when 1 mole of an alkene is hydrogenated is known as the heat of hydrogenation.

→ Almost all the alkenes produce about 13 kilocalorie per mol of heat during hydrogenation.



cis-2-butene.



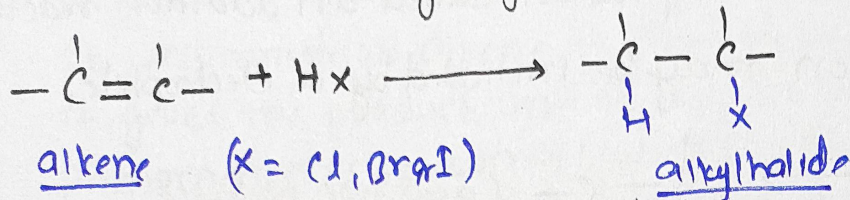
Trans-2-butene.

(more stable).

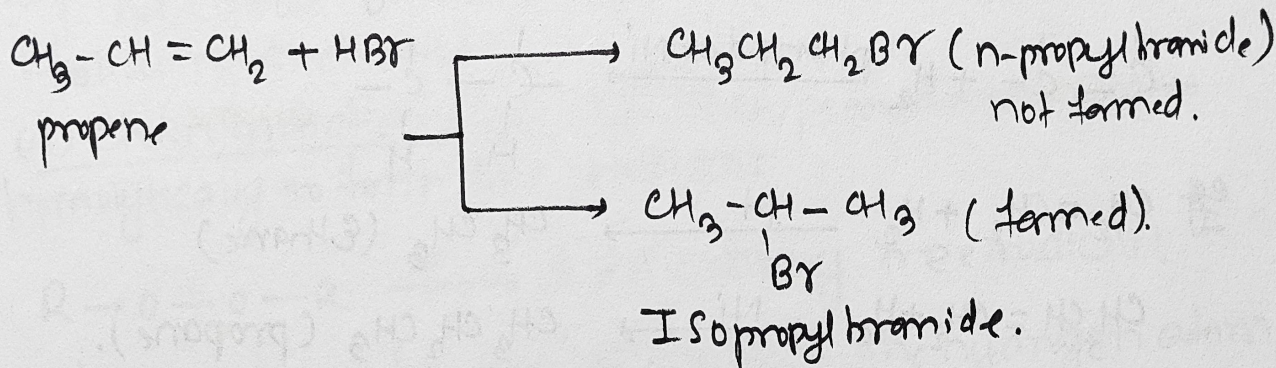
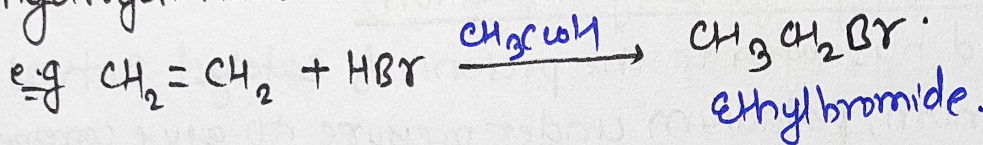
→ Lower the heat of hydrogenation of alkane the more stable it is.

(b) Addition of hydrogen halide (HX)

→ Alkene add to hydrogen halide readily to give alkyl halides.



→ The reaction is carried out by passing the dry gaseous hydrogen halide to the alkene.



→ However in this case of unsymmetrical alkene, there is possibility of forming two products.

→ But only one of product is formed in actual practise.

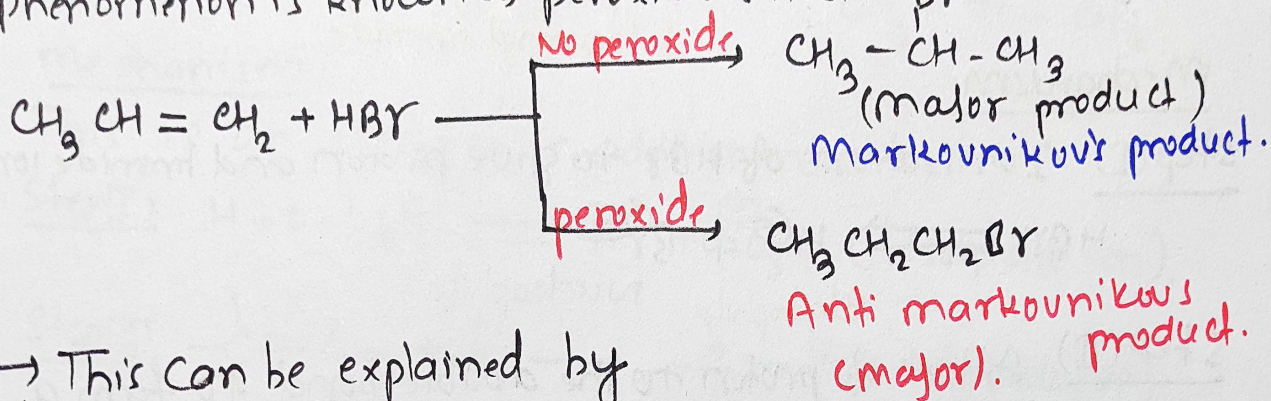
→ The predominant formation of the above product is in accordance with markovnikov's rule. which governs the addition of unsymmetrical reagent to unsymmetrical alkenes.

Markovnikov's rule

→ It states that "when an unsymmetrical reagent adds to an unsymmetrical alkene the positive part of the reagent goes to that doubly bonded carbon atom which bears greater no. of hydrogen."

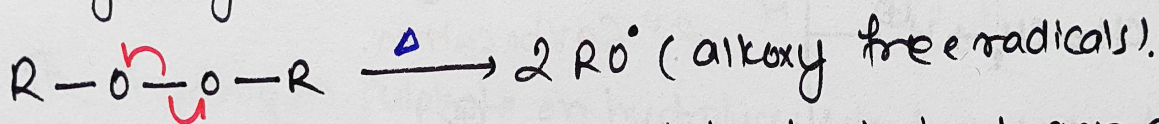
Addition of hydrogen bromide (peroxide effect) (13)

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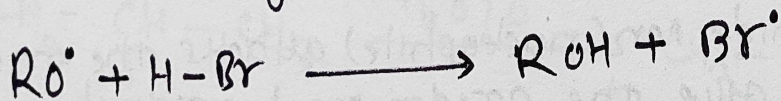


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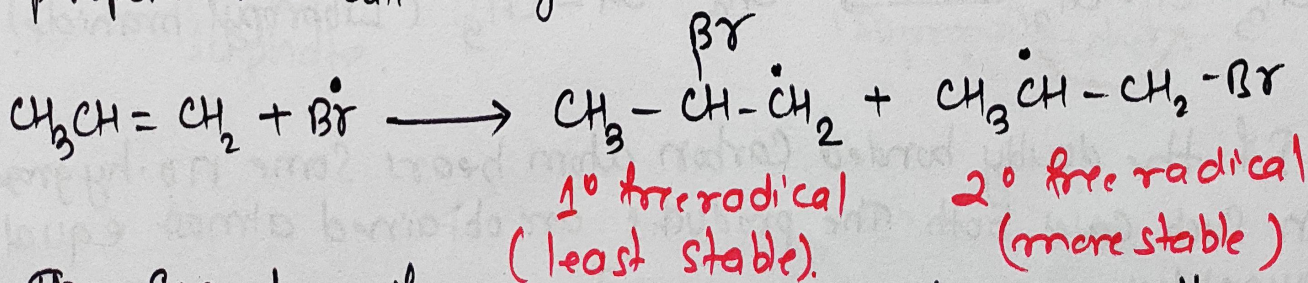
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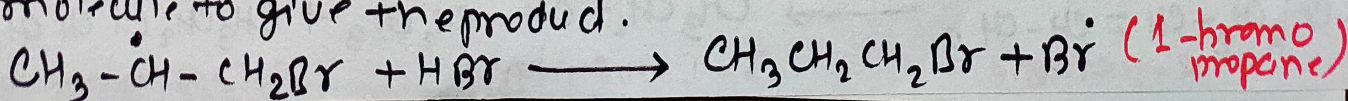
Step (II) Alkoxy free radical abstracts the hydrogen atom from HBr to generate bromide free radicals.



(B) Chain propagation step :- The bromide free radical attacks propene molecule to give more stable free radicals.



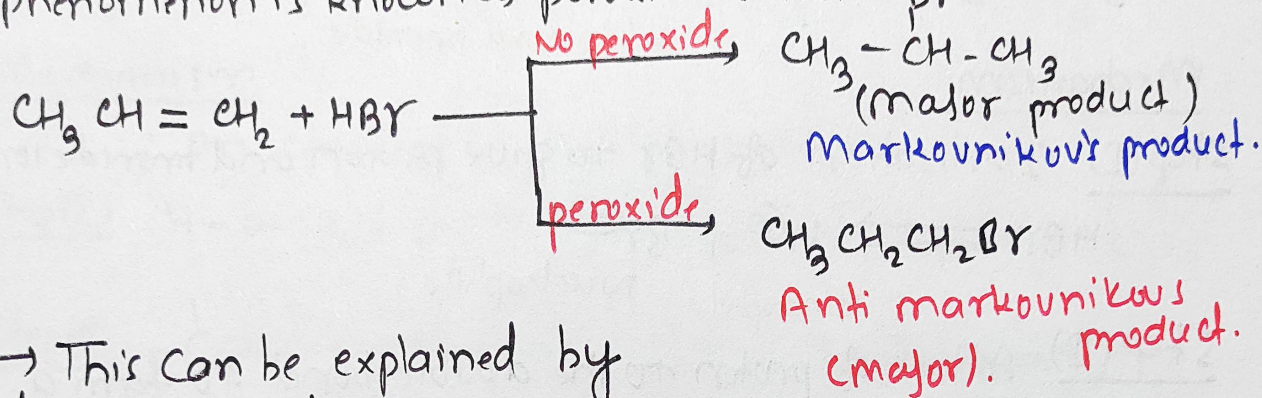
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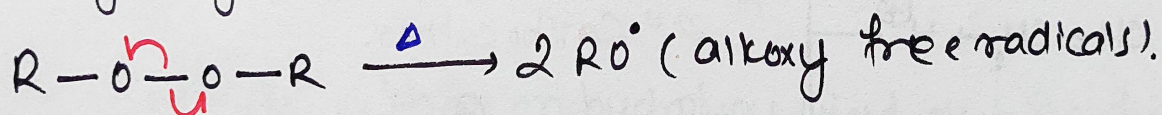
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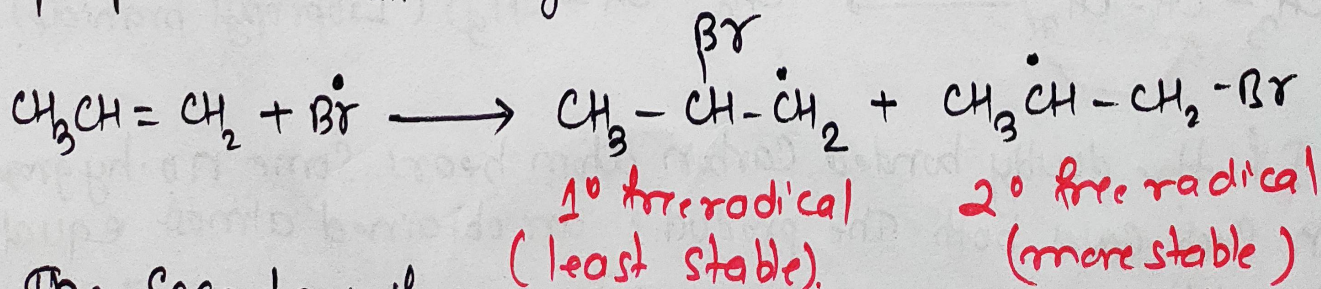
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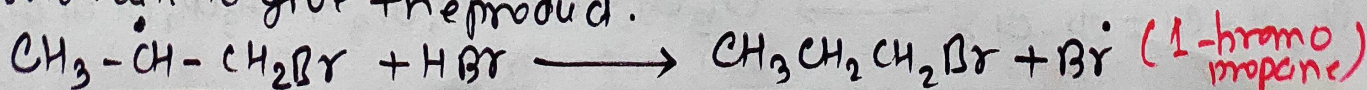
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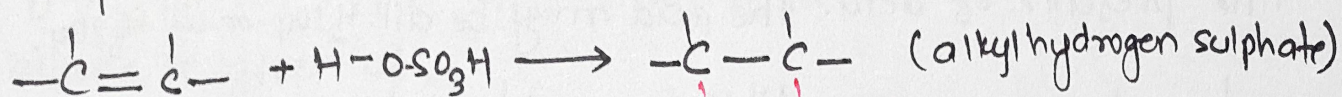
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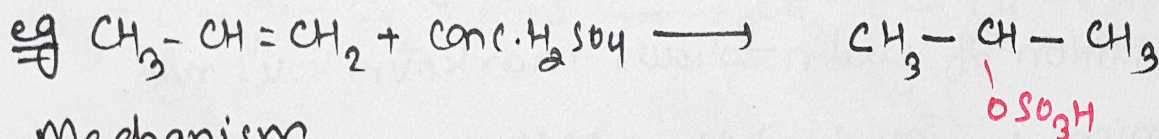
Addition of H₂SO₄

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→ Alkene react with cold and conc. H₂SO₄ to give alkyl hydrogen Sulphate.

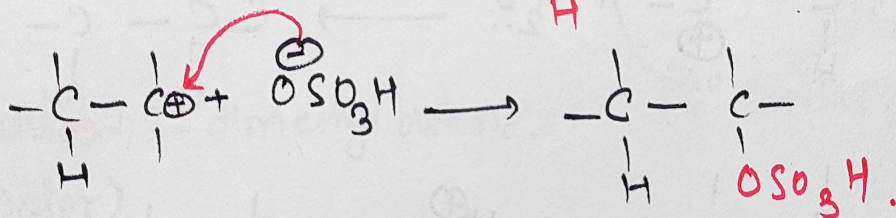
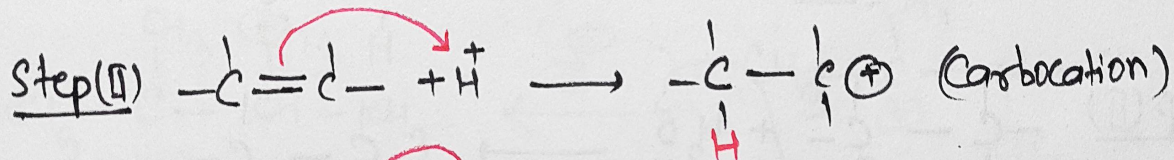
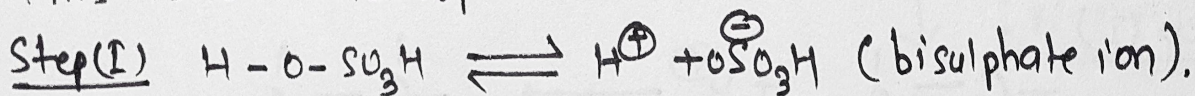


→ This rxn follows Markovnikov's rule.



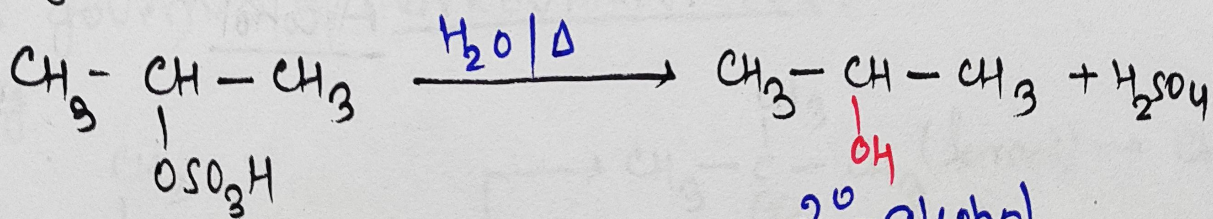
Mechanism

This is an electrophilic addition reaction.



The hydrogen sulphate on hydrolysis yield alcohols. ~~for~~

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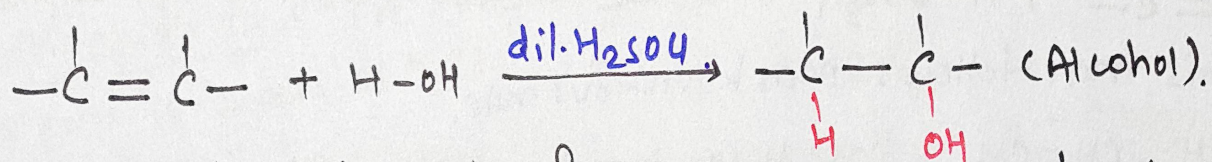


Isopropyl hydrogen Sulphate.

2°-alcohol
isopropyl alcohol.

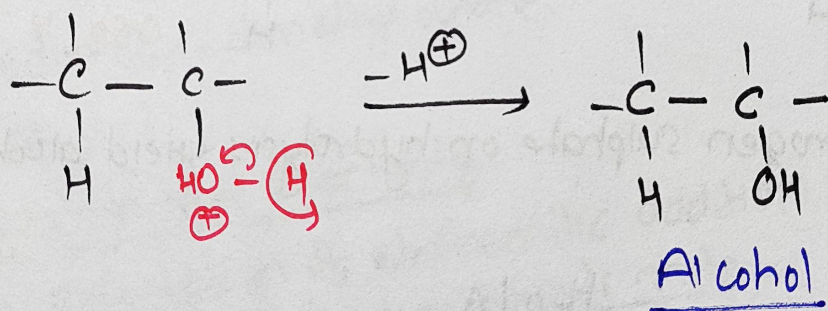
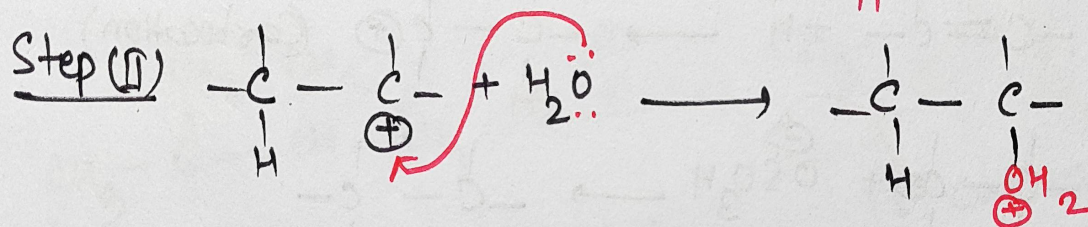
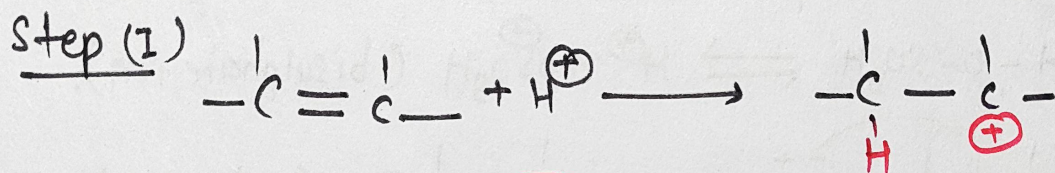
Addition of water (hydration)

→ The addition of water molecule to alkene take place only in the presence of acid. The acid may be dil. H_2SO_4 or dil. H_3PO_4 .



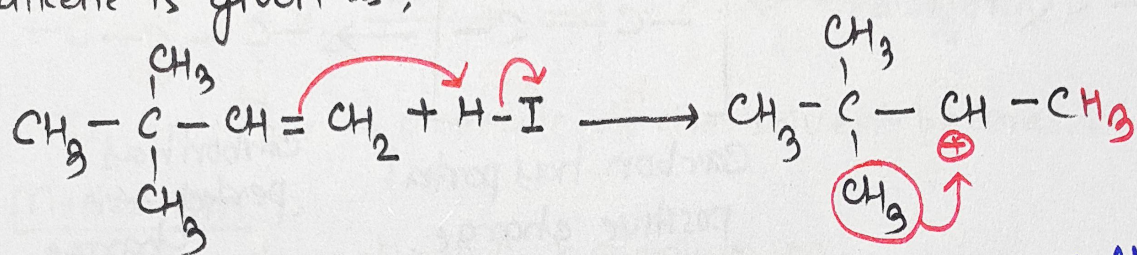
↳ Addition of water follows markovnikov's rule.

Mechanism :- Electrophilic addition.

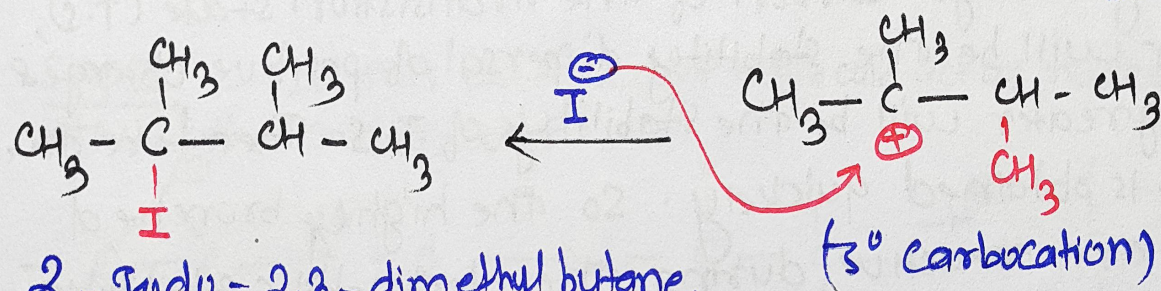


Electrophilic addition (mechanism, orientation & reactivity)

Mechanism:- The mechanism of electrophilic addition in alkene is given as:



methyl shift
(rearrangement of carbocation)

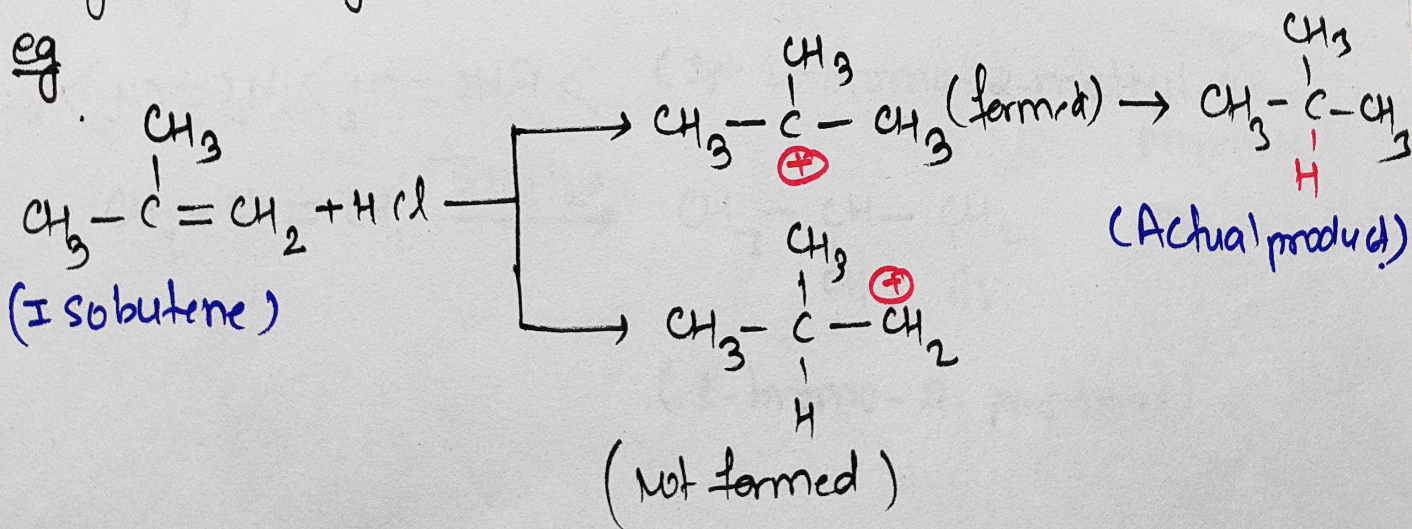


2-Iodo-2,3-dimethylbutane.
(Major)

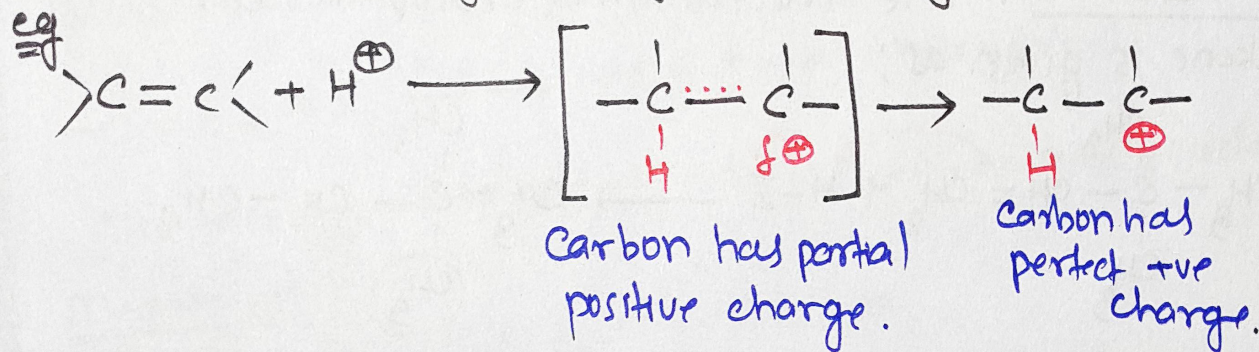
Orientation and Reactivity

→ The orientation of electrophilic addition reaction of alkene is governed by markovnikov's rule.

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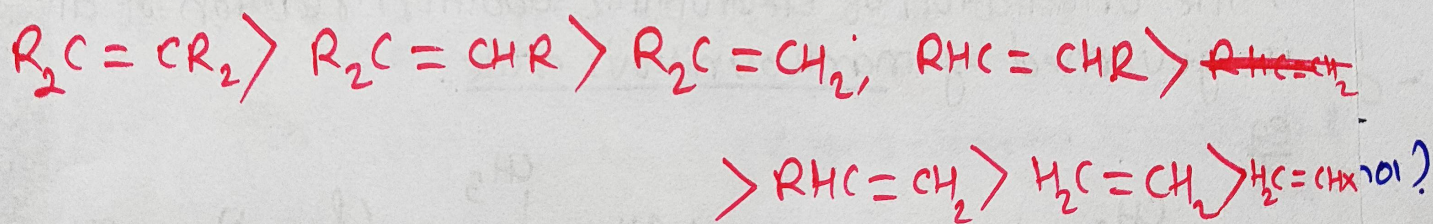


→ The reactivity of alkenes towards electrophilic addition can be understood by knowing the stability of carbocation.



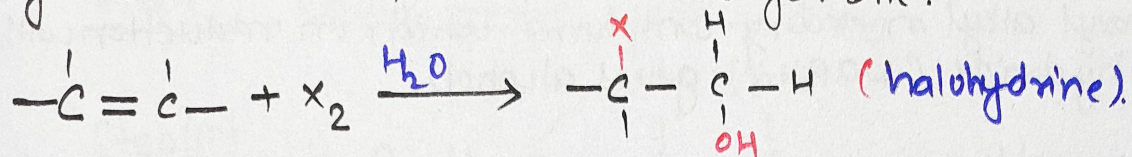
↳ Greater the no. of alkyl group attached to the partially positively charged carbon of the transition state (T.S), greater will be the stability dispersal of positive charge hence greater will be the stability of T.S. Therefore the product is obtained quickly. So the highly branched alkenes are reactive during the electrophilic substitution addition.

Thus, the decreasing order of reactivity of alkene is.



Halohydrine formation.

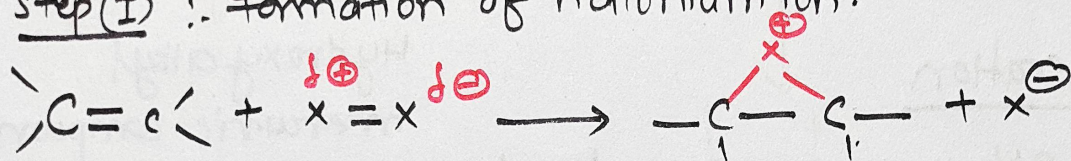
→ When alkene is treated with halogen in aqueous soln, it gives haloalcohol, also called halohydrine.



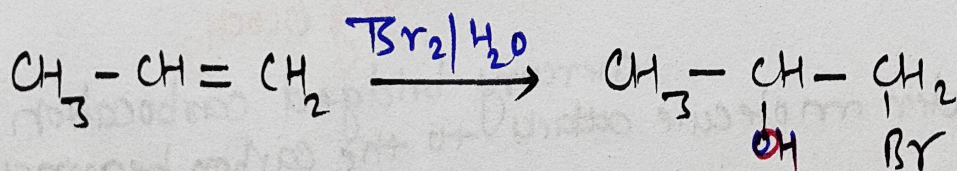
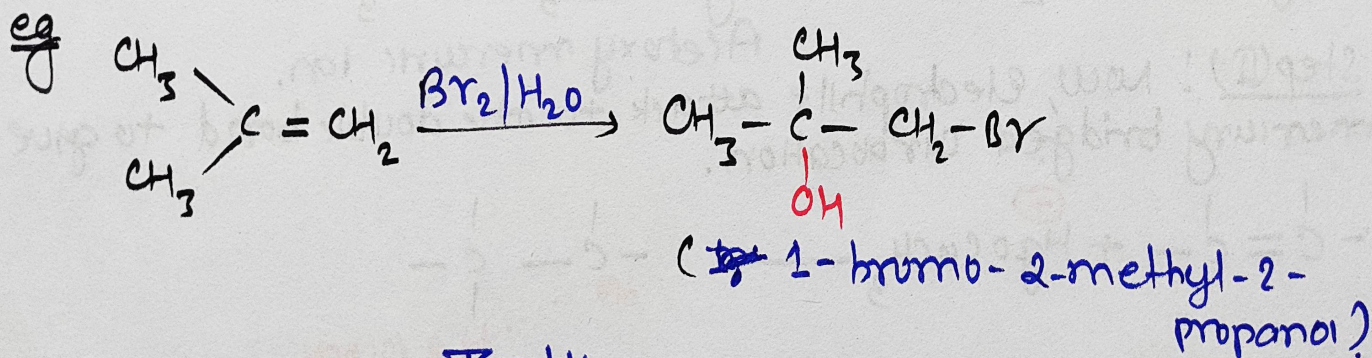
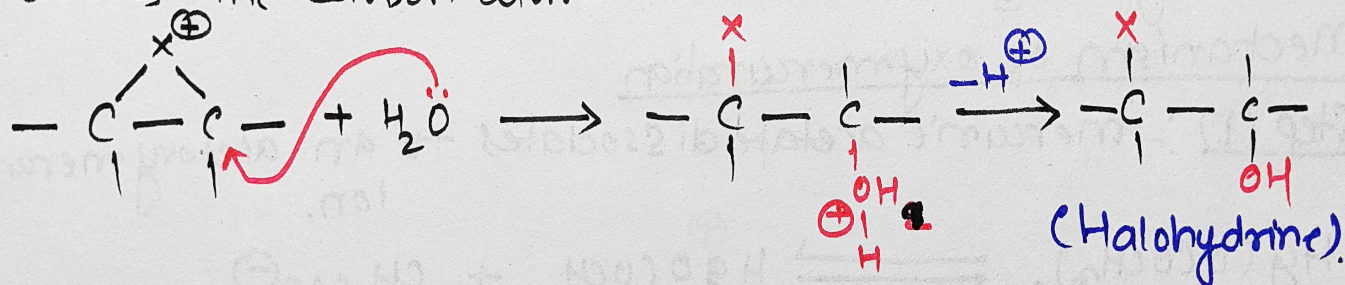
In this case → molecule of the solvent becomes reactant.

Mechanism :-

Step (I) :- formation of halonium ion.



Step (II) :- In this case water molecule acts as nucleophile & attacks the carbon atoms.



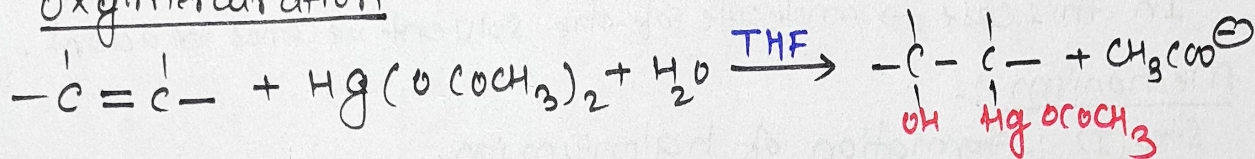
(1-bromo-2-propanol)

Oxymercuration-demercuration.

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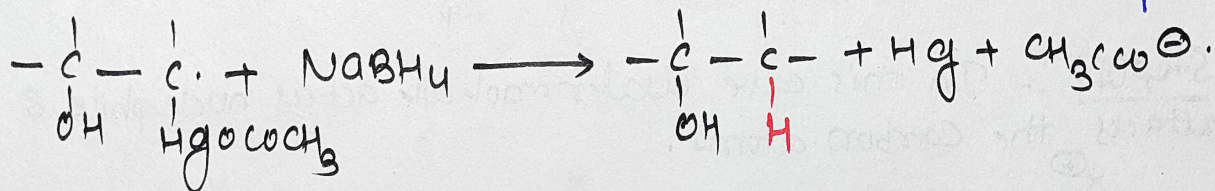
→ When alkene is treated with mercuric acetate in the presence of water and THF (Tetrahydrofuran), it gives hydroxyl alkyl mercury compound which on reduction with sodium borohydride (NaBH_4) gives alcohol.

Oxymercuration



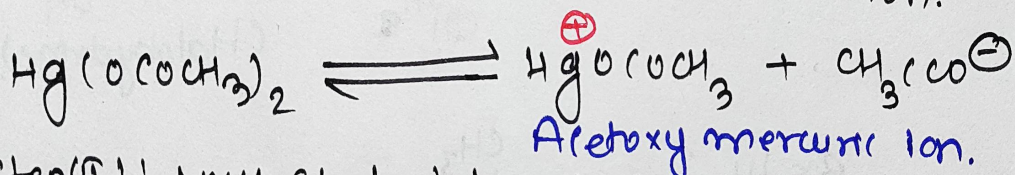
Hydroxyalkyl
mercuric compound.

Demercuration



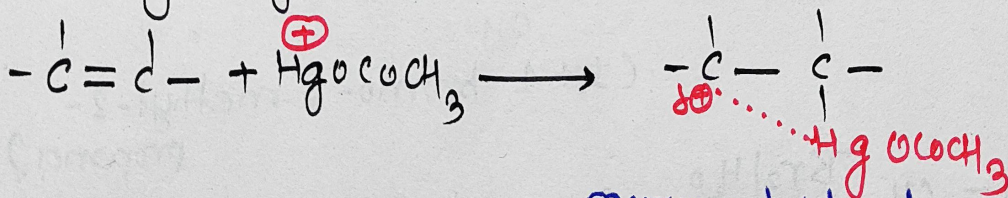
Mechanism of oxymercuration

Step (I) :- mercuric acetate dissociates to an acetoxymercuric ion.



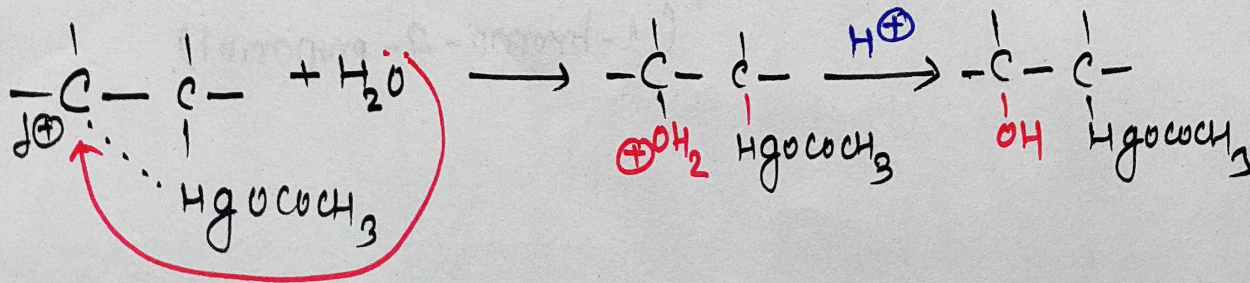
Acetoxymercuric ion.

Step (II) :- Now, electrophile attack to the double bond to give mercury bridged carbocation.

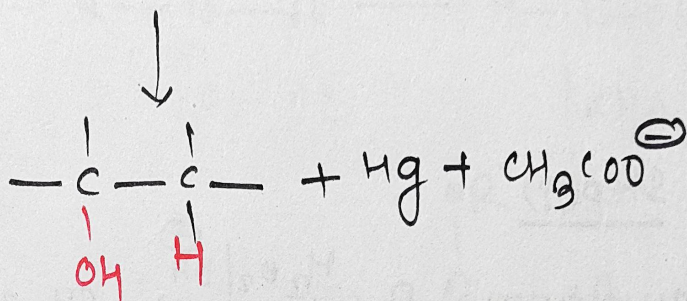
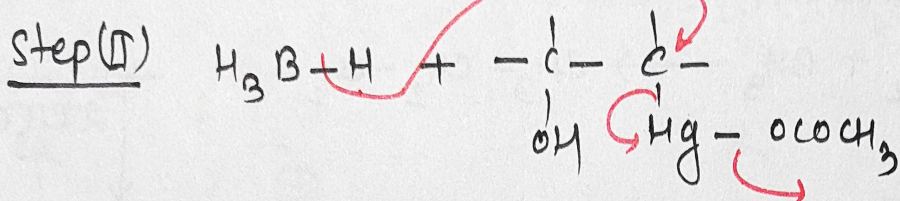
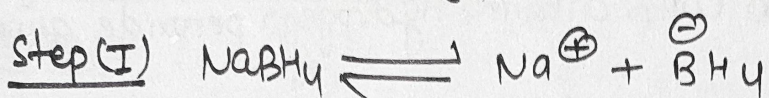


mercury bridged carbocation.

Step (III) :- water molecule attacks to the carbon bearing positive charge.



Mechanism of deoxymercuration

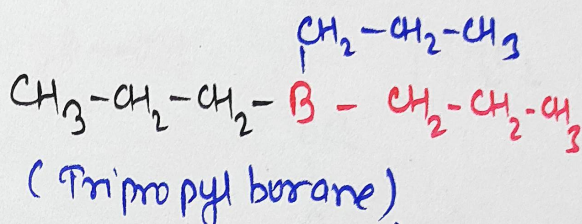
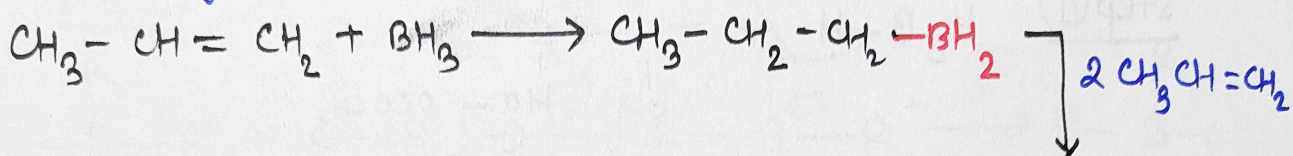


Hydroboration oxidation.

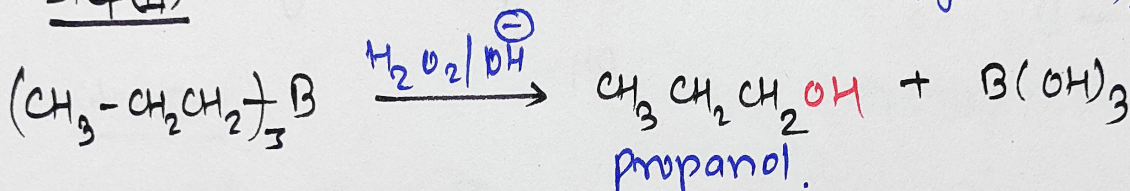
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→ Alkene when treated with diborane, it gives trialkyl borane, which on oxidation with alkaline hydrogen peroxide gives alcohol.

Step (I) hydroboration.

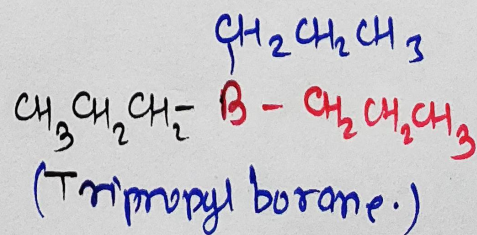
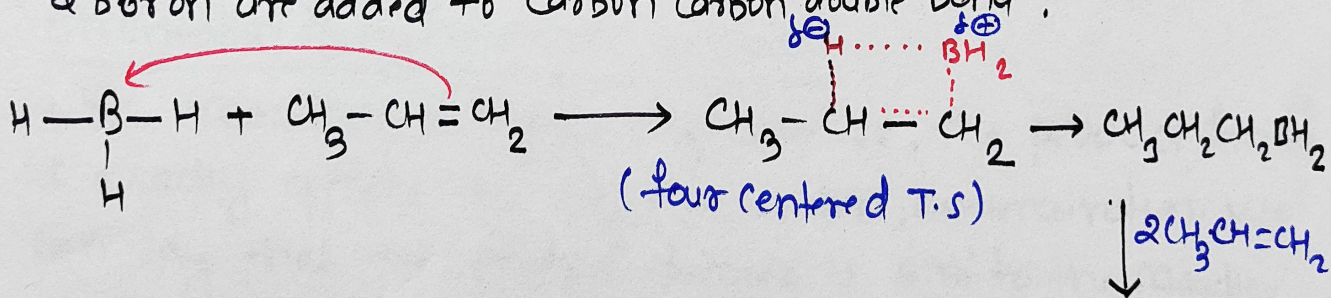


Step (II)



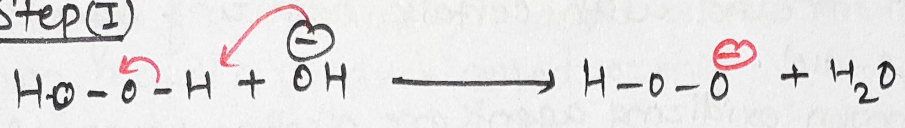
Mechanism of hydroboration.

- single step electrophilic addition reaction.
- formation four centred transition step in which both hydrogen & boron are added to carbon carbon double bond.

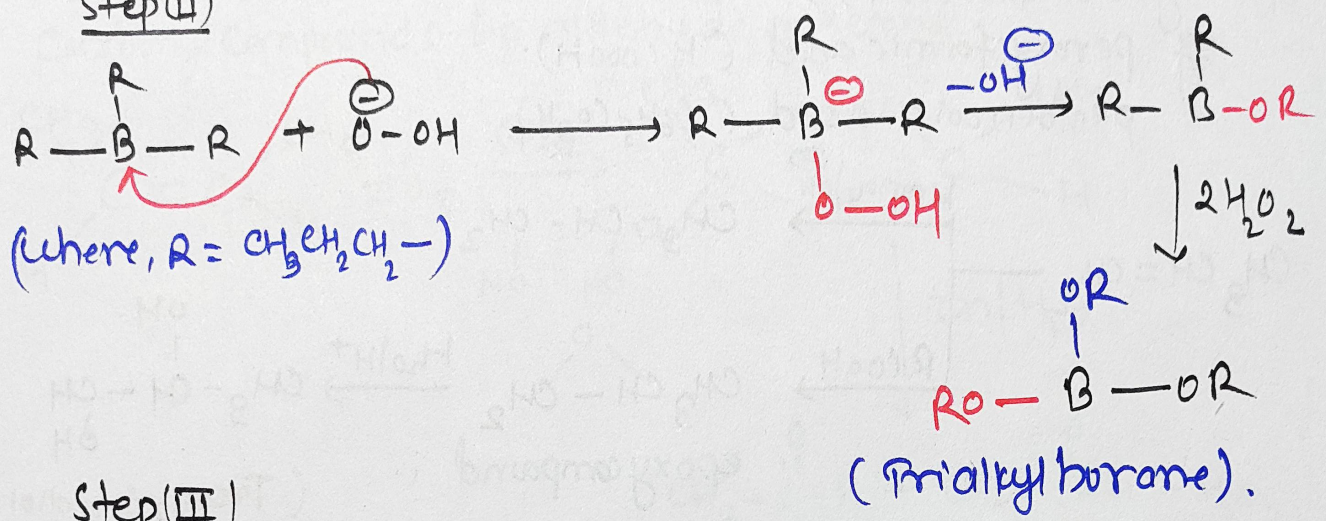


Mechanism of oxidation

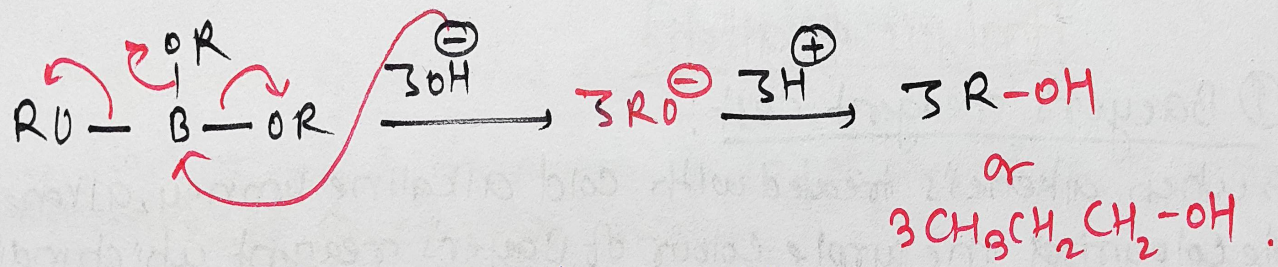
Step(I)



Step(II)



Step(III)



Orientation of hydroboration oxidation.

→ The reaction is highly regioselective, the product formed is exactly opposite to oxymercuration, demercuration. We can say that the product formed is anti to the Markovnikov's rule.



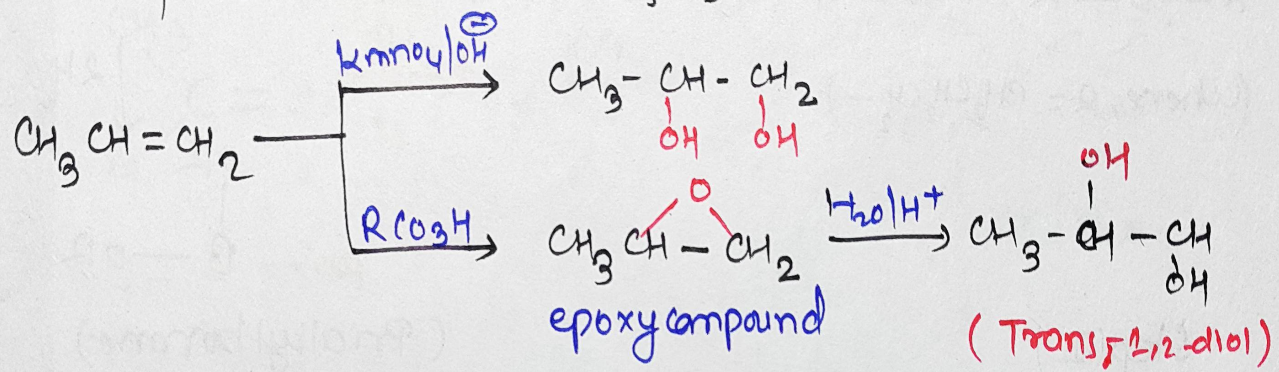
Hydroxylation (formation of 1,2-diol or glycol)

→ Alkenes when treated with certain oxidizing agents give glycol or 1,2-diol.

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→ The most common oxidizing agents are alkaline $KMnO_4$ or peroxy acid ($R(COOH)$);

- eg peroxy formic acid ($H(COOH)$)
- perbenzoic acid ($C_6H_5(COOH)$).

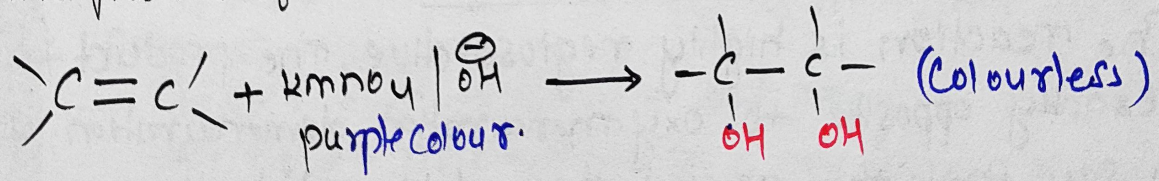


Analysis of alkene

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① Bayer's reagent test:

→ When alkene is treated with cold alkaline $KMnO_4$, alkene decolourises the purple colour of Bayer's reagent which indicates the presence of double bond in molecule.



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② Bromine test:

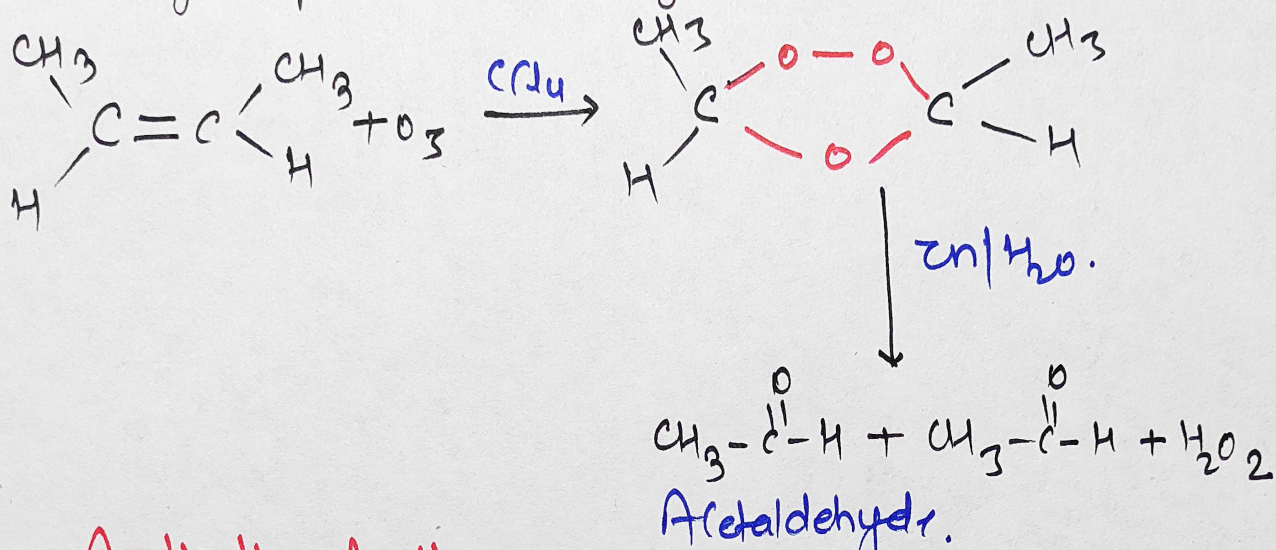
→ When alkene is treated with bromine in presence of Carbon tetrachloride (red colour), the red colour of bromine is discharged which indicates the presence of double bond in the molecule.

Ozonolysis:-

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→ When ozone is passed through a solution of an alkene in an inert solvent, it adds across the double bond to form a cyclic product called ozonide.

→ The ozonide on reduction with $\text{Zn/H}_2\text{O}$ gives Carbonyl Compounds i.e. aldehyde or ketones.



Application of alkenes to prepare polymers.

→ The process of formation of a polymer from its corresponding monomers is called polymerisation.

→ Alkene molecules can act as monomer units to form polymers.

→ For a number of ethylene and propylene molecules can simply add to one another to give polyethylene & polypropylene.

