

1. Hybridization

A. Intro

B. Electron Counting

In Atoms

In Molecules: Valency

2 electrons in the first shell, *8* in the second, *8* in the third.

are formed when atoms *share* to form stable ionic bonds are formed when atoms *completely donate or receive electrons*.

each hydrogen atom has *2* first shell electrons

One bond containing *2* electrons is formed in this sharing process *valency* of hydrogen in H₂ is 1

The electronic structure of *He*

hydrogen atom may only bring *1* electron(s) hydrogen in common molecules is *1*.

atomic origin of electrons *is* lost

C. Hybdridization: Mixing Atomic Orbitals To Maximize Bonding Combining *s-* **and** *p-***Orbitals**

refer to where some electrons *have maximum probability of being*.

have *different* shapes as atomic orbitals.

atomic orbitals that are mixed or *hybridized* to make them.

2 molecular orbitals, of three gives *3*, and of *n* gives *n*.

one *s-* and one *p-*orbital gives a *sp*-hybrid, whereas *sp2*-orbitals are formed if *two p-*orbitals are mixed with one *s-*.

three *p-* and one *s-*orbitals gives a ___*sp3* __-hybrid.

Geometric Shapes

a line with the boy *in the middle.*

girl-boy-girl angle is *180°* this is called the *ideal bond* angle.

herself in the middle of a *triangle* with then *120°*.

with the point in the middle of a *tetrahedron*, then the bond angle is *109°*.

Molecular Shapes

one *s-* and one *p-* atomic orbitals gives *2 sp*-hybrid orbitals.

one *s-* and two *p-*orbitals give *3* hybrid orbitals and *4* arise from one *s-* and three *p-*orbitals

Bold lines mean "emerges from the plane of the paper" and *dashed* lines indicate "projects behind the plane".

central atom will be *sp2-*hybridized.

A tetrahedron of *sp3*-hybrids will be formed if *4* bonds and/or lone pairs is generated from two *sp*-hybrid orbitals.

it has *0* lone pairs therefore it is *tetrahedral*. and it has *6* electrons that it did not share, *ie 3* lone pairs.

that fluoride has *4* entities

hydrogen fluoride is approximately *tetrahedral*.

Water, *oxygen* is surrounded by *4* objects *O*-geometry is *tetrahedral*

hydrogen chloride, *chlorine* is surrounded by *4* objects *Cl-geometry* is *tetrahedral*

ammonia, *nitrogen* is surrounded by *4* objects *N*-geometry is *tetrahedral*

hydrogen sulfide, *sulfur* is surrounded by 4 objects *S-*atom is at the center of a *tetrahedral* arrangement

borane, *boron* is surrounded by *3* objects *B*-atom is at the center of a *triangular* arrangement.

C in methane is *tetrahedral* with a dihedral angle of *109°*

O in water is *tetrahedral* with a dihedral angle of *109°*

Br in hydrogen bromide is *tetrahedral* with a dihedral angle of *109°*

N in ammonia is *tetrahedral* with a dihedral angle of *109°*

S in H2S is *tetrahedral* with a dihedral angle of *109°*

B in BH3 is *trigonal* with a dihedral angle of *120°*

*sp-*hybrid consisting of *2* MOs in a *linear* arrangement with a dihedral angle of *180°*

3 sp2 MOs, and these arrange in a *trigonal* arrangement with a dihedral angle of *120°*

4 sp3 MOs, and these arrange in a *tetrahedral* arrangement with a dihedral angle of *109°*

D. Hybridization In Ethane

the *C*-atom after sharing has *8* electrons in its second shell the *C*-atom shares *7* electrons in its second shell; this *is not* a particularly favorable why methyl radicals *are* relatively reactive.

Methyl radicals could be *sp3-*hybridized

σ-bonds are formed between two orbitals that *point directly at each other.* π-bonds are formed between two orbitals that *are parallel.*

E. Hybridization In Multiple Bonds

Ethene

σ-bonded *sp2-*hybridized *C*-atoms

ethene after mixing p-orbitals

new MO in ethene contains *2* electrons.

combining *spⁿ*-hybrids ($n = 1 - 3$) at each other are σ .

p-orbitals mix they form a π -orbital.

p-orbitals when they are *aligned*.

Perpendicular *p*-orbitals *do not* interact because the signs of the wave equations *cancel* in regions

*sp*²-hybridization is stabilized by formation of a π -bond.

Other Types Of Double Bonds

σ-bonds are represented by *1* line(s), both one σ- and one π-bond are represented by *2* parallel line(s), so they are called *double bonds*.

Electrons in hybridized atoms *can* occupy hybrid orbitals

Atoms in molecules *can* selectively

Ethyne

highly reactive species because it has only *6* electrons

this is called the *singlet* state.

this is a *triplet* state.

Another possibility is a *sp*-hybridized

σ-bonded *sp-*hybridized *C*-atoms

two π bonds surrounding the σ bond called a *triple* bond.

Other Types Of Triple Bonds

it *does not* matter if multiple or single

F. Assigning Hybridization States

are *sp-*hybridized, three *sp2*, and four *sp3*.

naproxen

alendronate

zidovudine (AZT)

2. Saturated Acyclic Hydrocarbons

A. Introduction

B. Newman Projections

Ethane

staggered

eclipsed

staggered

eclipsed

staggered

eclipsed

that repulsion is called *torsional* strain.

molecular orbital diagrams to indicate *destabilizing* interactions and *stabilizing* interactions

σ-orbital contributes *2* e an empty one donates *0 e*

sive

torsional strain

add electrons to the diagrams below and indicate bond orders:

Butane

Destabilization of butane in the totally eclipsed conformation is a result of combinations of *torsional / steric* strain.

Steric strain between the methyl groups in butane is that which results when atoms compete for the same region of space.

C. How To Draw Organic Structures

is one bond to an apex that {terminal point} represents *CH3* two bonds to an apex means it is a *CH2* three bonds to a branch point represent *CH*. this means there are *0* hydrogen atoms on that carbon.

Zigzag conformations represent *staggered* conformers

it *does not* matter if the chains zigzag

propane

pentane

nonane

ideal bond (*H*-*C*-*H*) angles for sp3-hybridized carbons ~*109°*

has *4* bonds to other atoms.

carbon atoms in organic structures *always* have *C*-atoms in common organic molecules *never*

hybridization state of the carbons in the above molecules is *sp3 because* they have *4* atoms attached.

corners of a *tetrahedral* shape ideally about *109°*

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2,2-dimethylpentane

2,2-dimethylpropane

2,2-dimethylbutane

 $CH₃$
H₃C-C-CH₃

 $CH_3CH_2C(CH_3)_2CH_3$

D. How To Show 3D In Organic Structures

Projecting From Linear Hydrocarbon Chains

E. Alkyl Group Abbreviations

In Acyclic Hydrocarbons

carbon connected to three hydrogens is called a *methyl* Methylene fragments (of molecules) are those that have *CH2* connected Methine is the name given to *CH* fragments CH3 connected to anything is called a *methyl* A quaternary *C* has *0* hydrogen

C1, C7, C8, C9, C10 methyl C2, C3, C5 methylene $C4 = \text{methine}$ $C6 =$ quarternary

C1, C7, C8 methyl C2, C3, C6 methylene $C4 = \text{methine}$

removed and replaced with something else *ie substituted*

represented as *CH3*, *Me*

C4 methylene

represented as *CH3CH2, Et*

ethyl group *cannot* be isolated and put in a bottle; it *is not* a discrete compound, but it *is* a molecular fragment

the fragment *is* attached to something else

Propane contains *2* types of gives *different* outcomes chain gives *a normal* propyl represented as *MeCH2CH2, EtCH2, nPr* a(n) *iso-* propyl group can be represented as *ⁱ Pr, (CH3) 2CH*

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propane

n-propyl

butane

n-butyl

3 types of hydrogen butyl chain gives a *normal* butyl group represented as *MeCH₂CH₂CH₂, ⁿPrCH₂, CH₃CH₂CH₂CH₂*

a(n) *sec* butyl group represented as *CH3CH2CHCH3*

2-Methylpropane is an *isomer* of butane: it has __2__ chemically inequivalent hydrogen *ie* a *ⁱ Bu* group.

ie t Bu.

name functional groups as alcohol, amine, ether, or thioether on the dashed lines

D Conclusion

These *are* zigzag conformations.

linear hydrocarbons *can* be represented

3. Fragments And Functional Groups

A. Introduction

B. Fragments

a *molecular fragment* connected to something else and *cannot* be isolated.

In Greek, ω means *last*.

C. Functional Groups Shown With Bonds

D. Functional Groups Represented Without Bonds

Find this question hard? Remember: go to the web and to figure out the answers for the maximum benefit (do not look at a key!).

E. Identifying Functional Groups From Models

Use molecular models to construct: cyclohexane, cyclopentene, ethyl acetate, acetone, toluene, ethanol, diethyl ether, acetonitrile, ethanal, 2-butyne. Look them up on the web (*eg* Google images or Wiki) if you do not know the structures of these molecules. Pay attention to the hybridization state of each atom and make sure the geometries in your model correspond. In models, carbon is black, hydrogen is white, oxygen is red, nitrogen is blue, halogens are green, and sulfur is yellow. Make models of the following compounds and draw their structures below without using C or H. Some of the structures are labeled so you can do a web-search if you need help. Can you name any of the functional groups?

ester, phenyl

carboxylic acid anhydride

acid halide

lactam (amide)

disulfide

amide (urea)

amide, arene (aromatic)

ether, arene, alcohol, alkene

ether, arene, alkene, amide

ether, arene, sulfoxide

4. Cyclic Hydrocarbon Conformations

A. Introduction

B. Angle Strain

sp3 hybrid orbitals is around *109°*.

ideal bond angles the molecule has *angle* strain.

relative to the ideal value for *sp3*-hybridization: *cyclopropane / cyclobutane.*

wider than the ideal value for *sp3*-hybridization *if they were flat cyclohexane / cycloheptane / cyclooctane*.

most compressed and expanded angles are: *cyclopropane / cyclooctane*.

C. Torsional Strain

Valence bond angles involve *3* atoms, whereas torsional angles involve *4*.

involves interactions between *e- in bonds* and is *minimized* as

Eclipsed conformations involve high *torsional* strain.

D. Cyclohexanes

Unsubstituted

cyclopentane would have *less* angle strain because the internal angle is *closer to* the ideal sp³ angle.

are *not* flat due to *torsional* strain.

The two conformers have *exactly the same* energies.

Cyclohexene with a double bond at the front:

Boats And Twist-Boats

Flipping between chairs involves half-chair transition states and twist-boat intermediates *(Not a solutionunderstand this diagram and the relationship between conformations and energy levels)*:

Boat conformers *are not necessarily* intermediates in flipping

describe interconversion of two chair conformers are *three*-dimensional.

the bonds around *Ca – Cb* are aligned like the *antiperiplanar* conformation of butane, whereas in the boat form they are like the *gauche* conformer.

Monosubstituted

methyl group is axial has 2 H-to-Me gauche interactions, whereas there are *0* similar interactions

The axial conformer of *tert*-butylcyclohexane is much less stable than the other members of this series because, unlike for the other substituents, no rotamer (rotation about the σ-bond) around the *C*-t Bu group allows the methyls to avoid the axial hydrogens.

equilibrium so much that only the *equatorial* conformer is observed.

NMR *does* give distinct peaks for the monosubstituted

equilibrate faster than about *1,000* times per second.


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involve less
σ-to-σ* is less
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The axial conformer of methoxycyclohexane is slightly more stable than ethylcyclohexane because *C* – *O* bonds have lower σ*-orbitals, thus the energy gap between this and the *C – H* σ-orbital is less and this stabilizes σ-to-σ* interaction.

Disubstituted

Decalins

Decalins feature two cyclohexane rings sharing *a bond*; look up the structure in Wiki.

None of the above structures can undergo a ring flip. If ring **A** were flipped, ring **B** would have to flip too, but it cannot because **B**/**C** is a *trans*-decalin, and *trans*-decalins cannot flip.

Cyclohexenes: Unsaturated Cyclohexenes

E. Other Ring Sizes

Cyclopropanes

rigid and flat

Cyclopropane substituents are *eclipsed* relative to each other.

Cyclobutanes And Cyclopentane

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cyclobutane

cyclopentane

In solution these molecules *do* rapidly interchange (on the NMR time-scale)

Three membered rings in cyclopropanes are *rigid and flat*.

5. Curly Arrows

A. Introduction

B. Electron Flow Types

Affecting Only One Bond

of electrons is illustrated using a *full* arrow.

electrons *are*, ie at the site of relatively *high* electron density.

energetically *uphill*

Affecting Only One Bond

the following *heterolytic* bond fission reactions

number of cations formed *must* equal the number of anions.

full arrow represents movement of *2 e*; this *sometimes* severs the link between

then this implies X is *less* electronegative than Y

than X then electrons would tend to move *towards* Y.

Affecting Four Bonds

Pathway **a** tends to be *favored* if X is more basic than Y

C. Electron Flow To Form Anions

the way they pronounce "*unionized".*

from a *sp3*-hybridized carbon the resulting anion is *sp3*-hybridized.

electrons move *towards C* and the resulting anion is *sp2-*hybridized.

sp-Hybridized carbanions are formed from *sp*-hybridized

A *sp3-*hybridized carbon has __4__ groups around it.

D. Cabocations Via Electron Flow

carbocations formed from *sp3*-hybridized atoms tend to be *sp2*-hybridized.

Carbocations of the type C⁺R₃ tend to be *sp²-*hybridized, and carbanions C⁻R₃ are *sp*³-hybridized. Explain why this is so by considering the number of electrons around carbon in $\text{C}^+ \text{H}_3$ and in $\text{C}^+ \text{H}_3$. Carbon in C+R3 has to accommodate *three atoms* containing *six* shared electrons around it. Carbon in C-H3 has to accommodate *three atoms and one lone pair* containing *eight* shared electrons around it.

E. Electron Flow Involving Lone Pairs On Heteroatoms

These answers are for the form shown in the diagram (of course resonance makes the O atoms equivalent)

There *is not* a change in the number of groups *sp3*-hybridized heteroatoms gives *sp3*-hybridized protonated

sp2-hybridized heteroatoms become *sp2*-hybridized protonated heteroatoms, and *sp*-hybridized heteroatoms become *sp*-hybridized protonated heteroatoms.

Conversely, there *can* be a change in hybridization state when electrons shift to atoms without protonation (*eg* between the oxygens of carbonyl groups).

it is *usually* advisable to put the pen on the electron density and push

F. Cycloadditions: Apparently Not Charge Driven

6. Resonance

A. Introduction

B. Resonance: Ground Rules And Generalities

Electrons move *much faster than* atoms in a molecule

It is *absolutely wrong* to use the other descriptors shown above.

to depict movement of *electrons*.

C. Resonance Stabilized Anions

Monoenes

 $\begin{picture}(120,111) \put(0,0){\line(1,0){10}} \put(15,0){\line(1,0){10}} \put(15,0){\line$

Electron flow *does not* allow the negative charge The same *is* true for the methyl allyl

It is possible for *Z-*butenyl anions to equilibrate

It is *possible* for a molecule to have more than one resonance structure.

Conjugated Dienes

It *is* possible for the negative charge on the nonatetraenyl anion to reside on the 1,3,5,7,9-carbon atoms. The negative charge in that anion *never* can be found on *C2*, *C4*, *C6* it *does* appear that the negative charge hops

drawn is likely to be *more* stable

Anions that have several resonance structures are said to be *delocalized / resonance stabilized* relative to ones that do not

The allyl anion *less* stable than the pentadienyl anion

It *is* possible for the negative charge to hop

Systems With Heteroatoms

has the charge on the most *electronegative* atom.

Resonance Stabilization Of Anions Influences Acidities

How Resonance Stabilization Of Anions Influences Acidity

The following equilibrium favors *product* if the anion A- is resonance stabilized

Higher concentrations of protons correspond to *low* pK_a and *low* pH values for the acid HA.

it *is not* possible for both the *O*-atoms

it *is* possible for both the *O*-atoms

it *is* possible for both the *O*-atoms of the nitro group tend to be *more* stable than their 3-isomers.

Inorganic Anions

nitric acid should be a *stronger* acid than nitrous and carbonic acid. strongest acid in the series is *HNO3*.

D. Resonance Stabilized Cations Conjugated Alkenes And Aromatics

represent flow of electrons *towards* positive charges and rarely the reverse.

nonatetraenyl cation *can* reside on the 1,3,5,7,9-carbon atoms and it is *never* found on *C2*, *C4*, *C6*, and *C8*; consequently, it *does* appear to hop

drawn is likely to be *more* stable

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resonance structures are said to be *more delocalized* than ones that do not. Allyl cations are *less* stable than pentadienyl ones

It *is* possible for the positive charge to hop between atoms

the charge on the most *electropositive* atom.

Cations with a positive charge on carbon, *ie carbocations*, tend to be *more* stable when the carbon is more substituted with other carbons

A carbocation that has one substituent is *primary (1°)*.

It *is not* possible possible to make a quaternary carbocation.

A Biochemical System

E. Resonance In Neutral Molecules

Unfavorable Charge Speration

tend to be significantly *less* stable

Enforced Charge Seperations In Dipolar Molecules

Some molecules that have a net neutral charge can only be represented as *zwitterions.*

charge separated form less^s stable

charge separated form more stable

The conclusion is that rotation about the σ -bond in the amide requires more energy because resonance gives that some *C* – *N* link some double bond character.

 $\frac{14}{\sqrt{2}}$

 O
 $H \xrightarrow{80} H$
 $H \xrightarrow{1} H$

 $\frac{20}{\sqrt{2}}$

 $H \stackrel{12}{\sim} H$

write numbers to indicate 260 approximate maximum energy barriers

choices are: 260, 80, 20, 14, 12 kJ·mol⁻¹

7. Acids And Bases

A. Introduction

B. Proton Dissociation On Log Scales

Equilibria That Generate Protons: pKa's

hats not worn at any moment is a *constant*, because an equilibrium

of hats worn at equilibrium in *different* games will be *variable*; therefore, it *is not* a good parameter

the *ratio* of *people wearing hats* to *people not wearing hats will not* change significantly

This *is* effectively the same as the statement:

protons in acid base equilibria *may* be represented as:

to generate protons for *all* organic

Weak acids dissociate to give a *small* fraction

compound is a *strong* acid and the equilibrium constant is *high*.

methane is therefore a *weak* acid.

therefore a significantly *stronger* acid than methane.

the number of moles of CH₃⁻ does equal the concentration of protons

with a Ka of 1 would be a *strong* acid.

pKa's Simplify Ka Comparisons *condenses*

diagram above the values for –logKa, *ie* the *pKa* value.

have Ka values less than one, meaning *only a small amount* of the compound using negative logs of K_a values is they are *positive* for most organic compounds.

Strong acids have *larger* K_a values than weak acids, *less* -logK_a values, and *smaller* pK_a values.

one pKa unit means that it is *10* times easier

10 pKa units means that it is *10,000,000,000* times easier

it is about 1029 times *more* likely that an ammonium ion

it is about 1017 times *less* likely that water will dissociate

C. Acid-Base Equilibria

Deductions Based On Quantitative Ka And pKa Data

following equilibrium favors the *starting materials*

favor the side with the *weakest* acid because

Weak acids have *higher* pK_a values than stronger acids.

It *is* possible for the same compound to be an acid in some reactions and a base in others.

deprotonating an acid can be called its *conjugate base*.

given to the substance formed by *protonating a base*.

Ammonium, NH4 +, is the conjugate *acid* of ammonia.

Hydroxonium is the conjugate *acid* of water.

favors *products*

favors starting materials

 \sqrt{s} + \sqrt{s}

stronger

weaker

favors *products*

 \sim 0 + H -N^t_{-NH} \longrightarrow \sim 0^{-H} + N _{-NH}

stronger

weaker

favors *products*

favors starting materials

stabilized by *electronegativity* effects.

1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoropropan-2-ol has a lower pK_a than propan-2-ol; therefore, it is a stronger acid.

The alkoxide from 1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol is *more* stable than that from propan-2-ol because of *electronegativity* effects.

Allyl anions are *more* stable than propyl anions due to *resonance* effects, hence propene is a *stronger* acid than propane.

The enolate from ethanal is *more* stable than allyl anions due to *electronegativity* effects, so ethanal has a *lower* pK_a than propene.

Dimethyl succinate has a *higher* pKa than diethyl malonate, mainly due to *resonance* effects.

D. Basic Atoms In Molecules Protonate

protonated form

protonated form

most likely to be protonated selectively at *N3*.

explanation:

because of resonance, electrons

can move from N^1 to N^3 another

E. Lewis Acids And Bases

Protons feature in *some* acids.

eg an empty p-orbital.

Lewis *acids*

acids because they have *6* electrons in their valence shell and *an empty*

can fit the definition of a Lewis acid.

Protons *do* fit

 Mg^{2+} + $\begin{matrix} Q & Q & Q & Q \\ HQ & HQ & HQ & HQ \end{matrix}$ O $\begin{matrix} Q & Q & Q & Q \\ Q & Q & Q & Q \\ Q & Q & Q & Q \end{matrix}$

dihydrogen
diphosphate

8. Priority Rules

A. Introduction

B. Priority Rules

Substituents Without Multiple Bonds

the atom with *higher* atomic mass takes priority.

C. Classifying Alkene Geometries

the terms *cis* / *trans means the same as E / Z.*

yes

yes

non-superimposable mirror images *do* require that there be four different groups on a carbon atom. Mirror images of organic molecules are called *enantiomers*- *only if* they are non-superimposable.

Assigning chirality like this *can* establish if molecules are mirror images.

If a compound has *R*-stereochemistry, its enantiomer is always *S-*.

E. Prochirality

"Some prochiral compounds can be converted to chiral ones by *substituting* a group at the prochiral center" *true*

The two methyl groups in the molecule above *are* prochiral.

"Some prochiral compounds can be converted to chiral ones by *adding* a group to the prochiral center". *true*

(looking down on the paper), the priority of the groups attached to the highlighted carbon in the following compounds are *all Re-.*

(looking up from below the paper), the priority of the groups attached to the highlighted carbon in the following compounds are *all Si-.*

Reactions from the *Re*-face *sometimes* gives the *R-*chiral while reactions from the *Si*-face *sometimes* gives the *S-*chiral centers.

9. Chiral Molecules

A. Introduction

B. Optical Rotation and Enantiomeric Excess

Optical Rotations

excess of one enantiomer over another are optically *active* those containing only one enantiomer are optically *active and pure*.

Optically active molecules *can* rotate the plane Rarely, there *may* be wavelengths of that plane of polarized light

rotation for a sample is called its *observed optical rotation*; it is measured in *degrees* on an instrument called a *polarimeter*. plane to the right is called *dextrorotatory / positive* rotate light to the right *are not* always *R*-, and *S*-enantiomers *are not* always levorotatory.

> *solvent / wavelength of the plane polarized light / temperature pathlength of the sample container (cell) / concentration of the sample*

optically active impurities *do not* lead to reproducible readings.

variables specified are called *specific* rotations. These values *do* facilitate comparisons of data

which are the temperature of the sample (in *centigrade*)

observed optical rotation

specific rotation

temperature $(T, {}^oC)$

determine which enantiomer is in abundance, *and* how much it is in excess or the other.

Enantiomeric Excess

prepared *a different* enantiomer to the one made in the US, and it was *optically pure.*

the specific rotation of the mixture solution was *+8* ° (same solvent, temperature, and light wavelength).

The enantiomeric excess of the solution featured above was *33* %.

then the enantiomeric excess would be *50* %.

enantiomeric excess values are often abbreviated to *ee*, and they *are* proportional to the optical rotation of the sample measured using a *polarimeter*.

shown that the Jabberwock excretes *R*bong-tree essence.

oranges (*R*-enantiomer) and lemons (*S*-), and it was given another name: *limonene*. bong-tree essence (stereochemistry not defined)

bong-tree essence (stereochemistry defined)

C. Properties Of Enantiomers

(*R*)- and (*S*)-lactic acid *do* rotate plane-polarized light

(*S*)-Lactic acid is dextrorotatory, so it rotates plane polarized light *counterclockwise*, *ie* to the *left*, otherwise denoted *(-)*.

(*S*)- and (*R*)-lactic acid have:

- *the same* boiling points
- *the same* melting points
- *the same* infra-red (IR), nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR), ultra-violet spectra (UV)
- *the same* molecular ion in mass spectrometry (MS)
- *the same* chromatographic elution rates featuring solid and liquid phases that are not chiral (*ie* are *achiral*)

These generalities would apply to *all* sets of enantiomers.

1:1 is called *racemic* mixture or a *racemate*.

(*R*)-lactic acid by replacement of the *pro*-*R* this would be a *substitution* reaction.

activation energy barrier to substitute the pro-*S* and -*R* hydrogens would be *the same* and the product would be a *racemate*.

D. Combinations Of Chiral Centers

Diastereomers

The following is an *addition* reaction.

add to the *Si*- and *Re*- faces or the ketone would be *the same*, and a *racemate* would be produced.

implying, in this case, that a *racemate* would be produced.

direct

alignment is assumed

shown slightly addition of hydrogen cyanide to this aldehyde will be *different* as it offset but

(*R,R*) and (*R,S*) *diastereomers* formed will be *different*.

This reaction therefore will have *diastereoselectivity*.

complete this Newman projection

 $\theta = 0^\circ$

Et

Me

addition of hydrogen cyanine to R-2-methylbutanal

diastereomers eg ratio of R,R to R,S 9:1

diastereomeric excess would be: *80* %

diastereomeric $=$ excess

 $[R,S] - [R,R]$. 100 %
 $[R,S] + [R,R]$

products formed would be *enantiomers of* those shown in the reaction above, and they would be produced in *the same* ratio.

diastereomer would be formed as *a racemate* of those shown in the reaction above. diastereoselectivity would be *the same* as the reactions starting

Diastereoselectivity *is* a particular form of stereoselectivity. It *is not* possible to measure the diastereoselectivity of a reaction starting with a racemic substrate.

In general, diastereomers have:

- *different* boiling points
- *different* melting points
- *different* infra-red (IR), nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR), ultra-violet spectra (UV)
- *the same* molecular ion in mass spectrometry (MS)
- *different* chromatographic elution rates featuring solid and liquid phases that are not chiral (*ie* are *achiral*)

it *is* possible to measure the diastereoselectivity

can have a *S,S-* configuration.

its enantiomer is always *S,S-*.

Optical rotations and enantiomeric excess *are* directly correlated

Optical rotations and diastereomeric excess *are not* directly correlated

Meso **Compounds**

This stereoisomer of 2,3-butandiol (left) has *R* configuration at *C*² and *S* at *C*3. *C*2-chiral center will *cancel* that at *C*³ hence the molecule *is not* optically active.

All *meso*-isomers have *a plane of symmetry* and they *do not* rotate plane polarized light.

In general, a compound has *n* chiral centers will have 2ⁿ/2 diastereomers, and 2ⁿ/2 enantiomers of these: *true*.

The diol products formed in the reactions above will be *optically active* stereoisomers.

Epimers

Epimers *are / are not* a sub-set of diastereomers that are configurationally different at one chiral centers. Classify the following (choose all options that are correct):

enantiomers

diastereomers

E. Enantioselectivity In Kinetic Control

there could be some enantioselectivity in this reaction *until it reaches equilibrium*.

so suitable words to describe this are *thermodynamic* control. Thermodynamically controlled reactions at equilibrium *can* be enantioselective.

Graphical Summary

transformation above, so it is *kinetically* controlled. activation energy barrier *Ea* by the *Arrhenius* equation, where:

 $k = Ae^{Ea/RT}$

 $ln(k_R/k_S) = -\Delta\Delta G/RT + ln(A_r/R_S)$

but $ln(A_r/A_s) = ln 1 = 0$

For ee of 80 %, ratio of enantiomers is 9:1 thus $k_R k_S = 9$.

Solve then for -∆∆G = RT•ln9 = 0.008314 • 298 • 2.197 = 5.44