

ALKANES

- ① STRUCTURE
- ② ISOMERS
- ③ NOMENCLATURE
- ④ CONFORMATION
- ⑤ PROPERTIES
- ⑥ CONFORMATIONAL ANALYSIS

QUIZ Low 0/30
 MEAN 18/30
 HIGH 35/30

HANDED BACK IN DISCUSSION

HMK
 Read 2-2.6
 Problems

2.1, 2.2, 2.8, 2.9, 2.17-2.21
 2.24 - 2.28

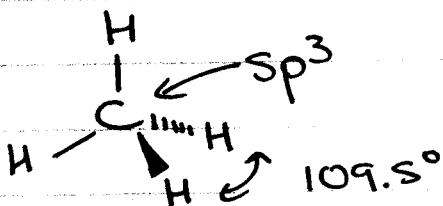
① STRUCTURE

Alkanes → SATURATED HYDROCARBONS

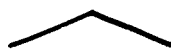

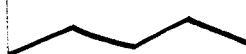
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 EACH C
 HAS MAX # H

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 ONLY C & H

General formula C_nH_{2n+2} (without rings)



METHANE

CH_4	methane	CH_4
CH_3-CH_3	ethane	C_2H_6
	propane	C_3H_8
	butane	C_4H_{10}
	pentane	C_5H_{12}

and so on... hex... hept... oct... non... dec...



② ISOMERS

- same molecular formula, different attachment of atoms

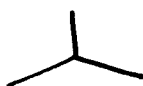
⇒ CONSTITUTIONAL ISOMERS

CH_4, C_2H_6, C_3H_8 EACH HAS ONLY ONE ARRANGEMENT

HOW ABOUT C_4H_{10}



butane



2 methylpropane

DO C_6H_{14}
FOR MMK
(5 structures)

③ NOMENCLATURE

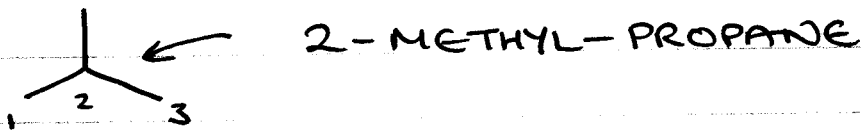
International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) \Rightarrow SYSTEMATIC NAMING

- STRAIGHT CHAINS (done)

- BRANCHED STRUCTURES

(i) IDENTIFY LONGEST CHAIN

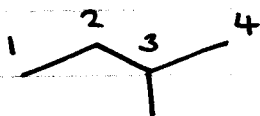
(ii) EACH SUBSTITUENT GETS A NAME AND A NUMBER



ALKYL GROUPS

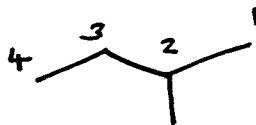
CH_3- methyl
 CH_3CH_2- ethyl
 $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ propyl
 $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ butyl etc, etc

(iii) MINIMIZE SUBSTITUENT NUMBER



3-METHYLBUTANE

X

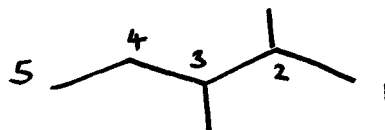
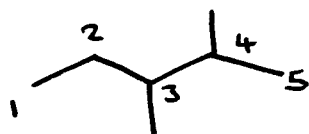


2-METHYLBUTANE

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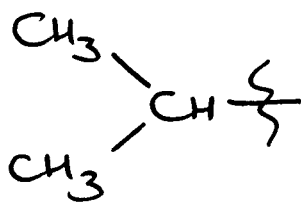
(iv) SAME SUBSTITUENT MORE THAN ONCE



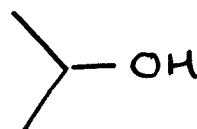
2,3 - DIMETHYL PENTANE

After this, it gets SILLY!

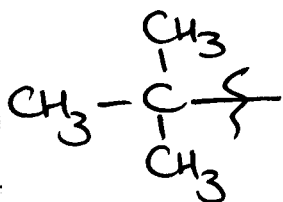
COMMON NAMES



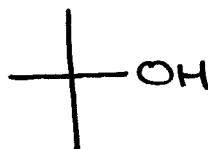
isopropyl



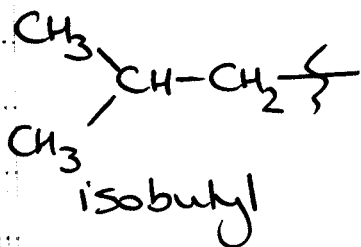
isopropyl alcohol



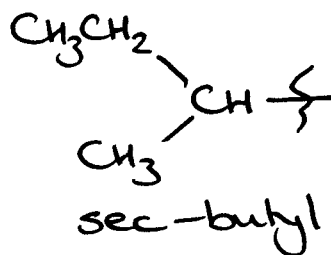
tert-butyl



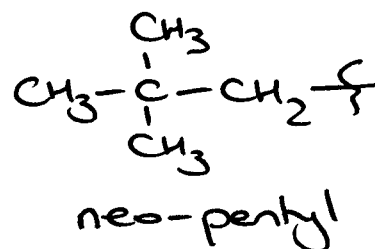
t-butyl alcohol



isobutyl



sec-butyl



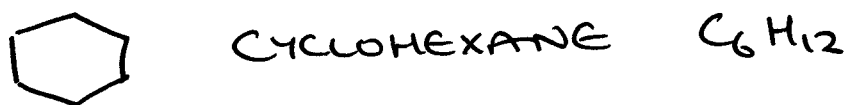
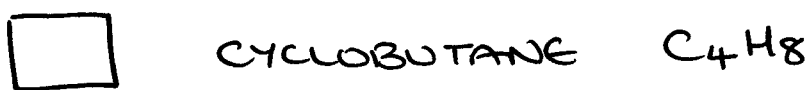
neo-pentyl

CYCLOALKANES



CYCLOPROPANE

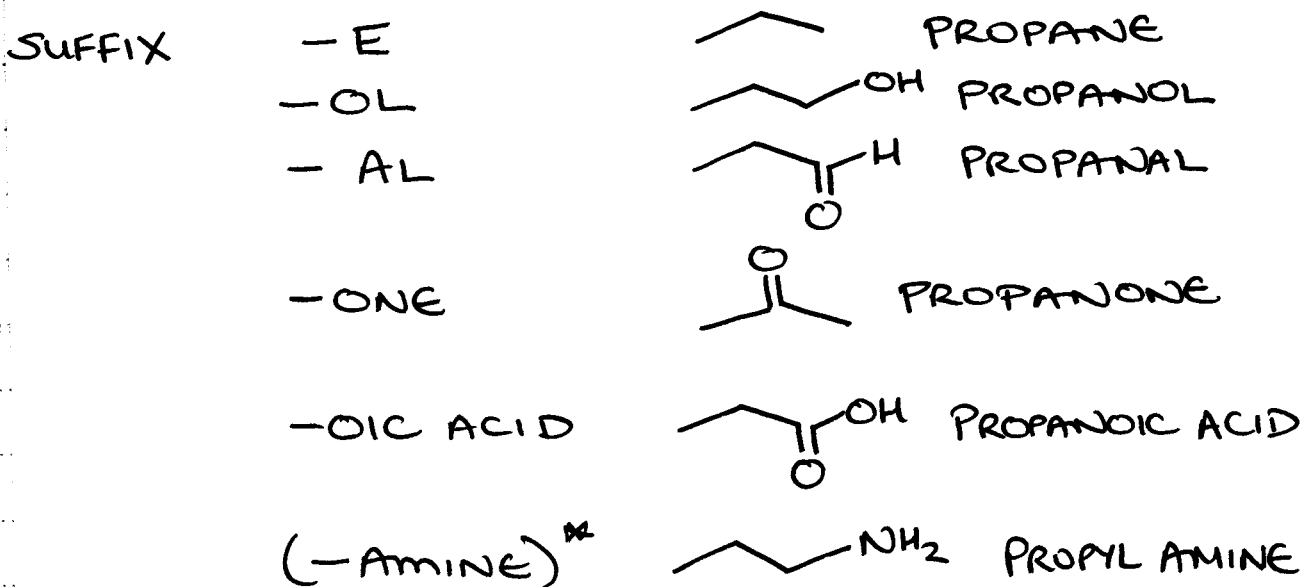
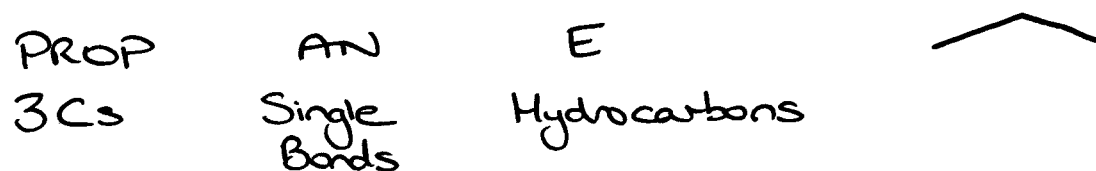
C₃H₈



BICYCLOALKANES — FORGET IT!

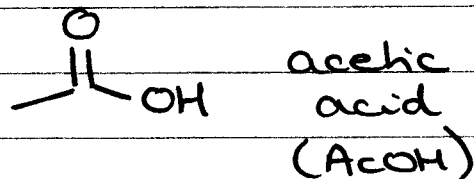
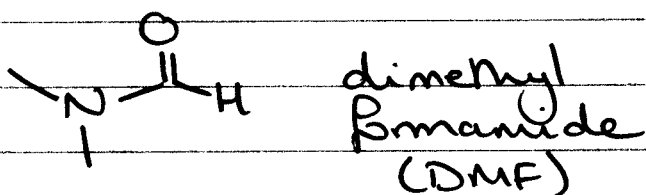
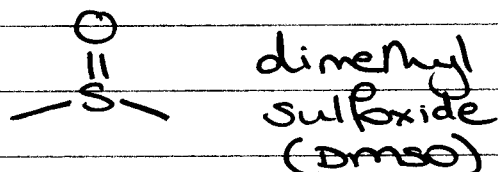
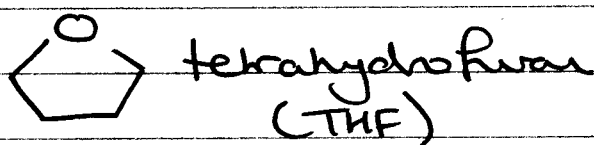
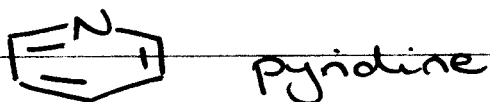
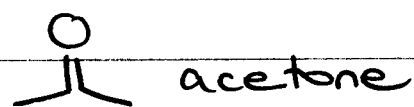
General rules:

PREFIX — INFIX — SUFFIX

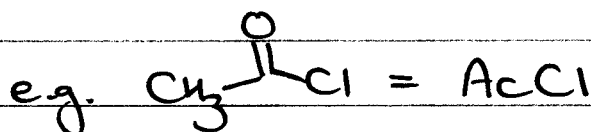
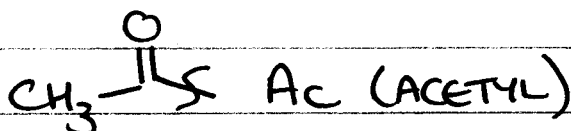
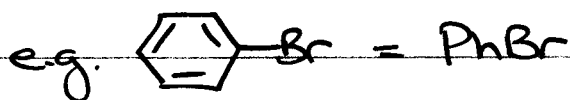
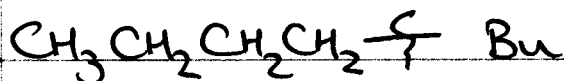
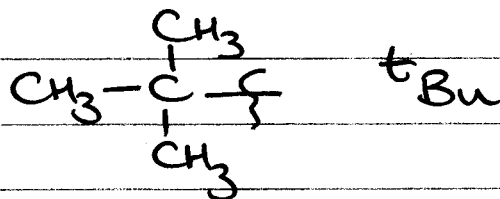
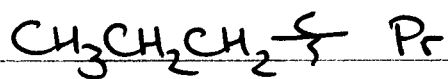
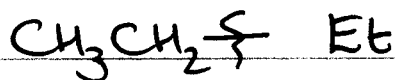
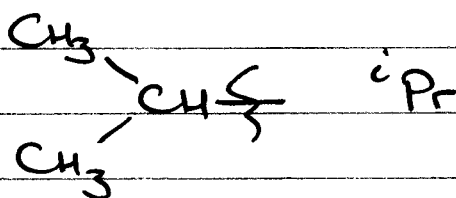


Common Structures / Names / Acronyms

- keep a notebook



- other common abbreviations

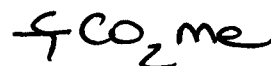
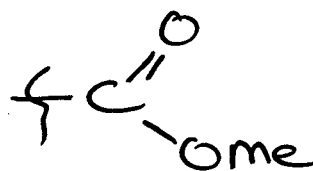
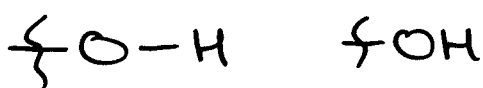


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R GROUPS - stuff dangling off
the area of interest in a
molecule

eg. R-Cl, R-OH, R-CO₂H
a chloride an alcohol a carboxylic acid

FUNCTIONAL GROUPS

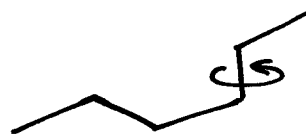


⑥ CONFORMATIONAL ANALYSIS

- consider HEXANE

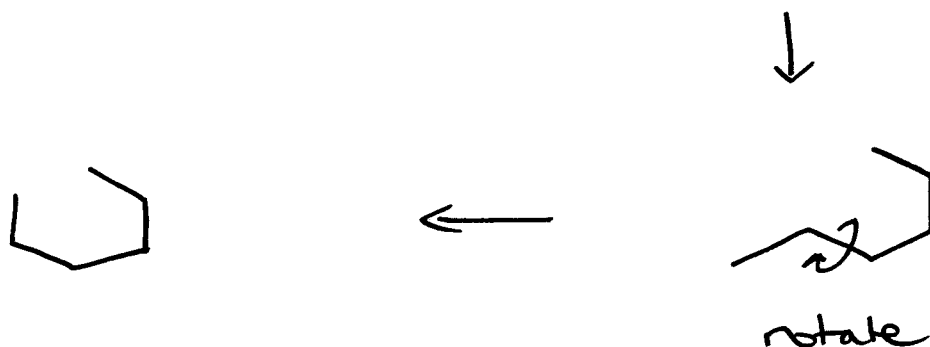


rotate



rotate

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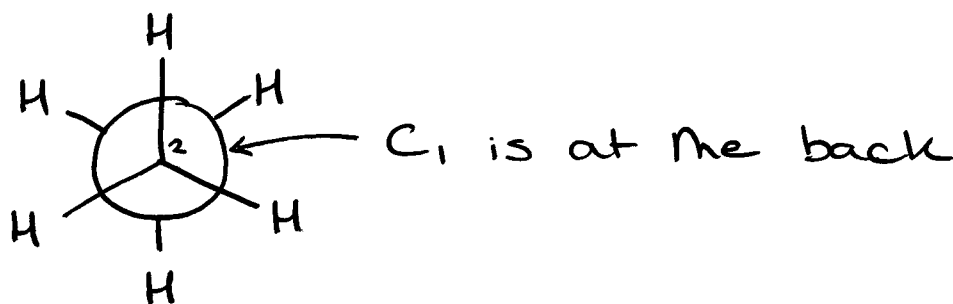
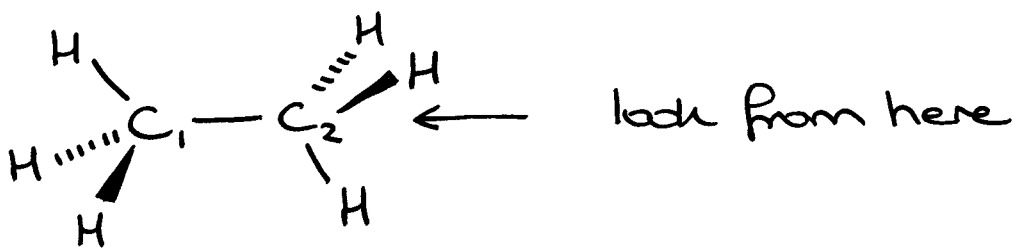


THESE ARE ALL THE SAME MOLECULE

Different arrangements of atoms that result from ONLY single bond rotations are called CONFORMATIONS

At room temperature, all single bonds are constantly rotating

consider C_2H_6



LOOK DOWN C-C BOND

NEWMAN
PROJECTION

(9)

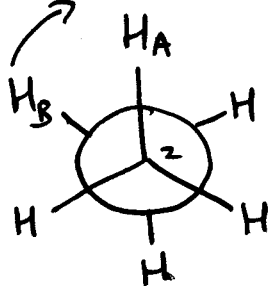
- Two METHYL GROUPS CAN ROTATE wrt ONE ANOTHER (0-360°)

⇒ INFINITE NUMBER OF CONFORMATIONS

- At RT, rate of rotation is $\sim 10^{10} \text{ s}^{-1}$

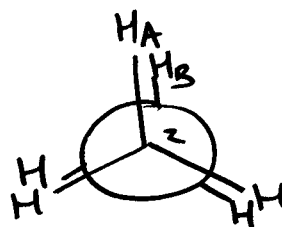
However, rotation is not completely UNHINDERED

rotate 60°



Staggered

60°



Eclipsed

0°

HIGHER IN ENERGY
by \sim
3 kcal/mol

DHEDRAL ANGLE (°)

angle between 2 intersecting PLANES

