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**Physical Properties of Alkanes
and Cycloalkanes**

Overview of attractive forces

Cation-anion	very strong
Covalent bonds	strong (140-523 kJ/mol)
Ion-dipole	moderate
Hydrogen bonds	moderate to weak (4-38 kJ/mol)
Dipole-dipole	weak
van der Waals	weak

Boiling Points of Alkanes

governed by strength of intermolecular attractive forces

alkanes are nonpolar, so dipole-dipole and dipole-induced dipole forces are absent

only forces of intermolecular attraction are induced dipole-induced dipole forces

Induced dipole-Induced dipole Attractive Forces



two nonpolar molecules

center of positive charge and center of negative charge coincide in each

Induced dipole-Induced dipole Attractive Forces



movement of electrons creates an
instantaneous dipole in one molecule (left)

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Heptane
bp 98°C



Octane
bp 125°C



Nonane
bp 150°C

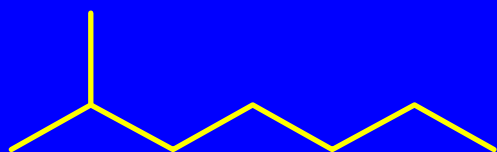
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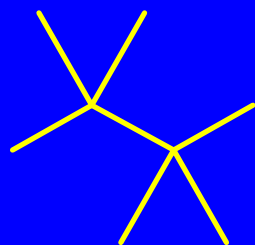
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Octane: bp 125°C



2-Methylheptane: bp 118°C



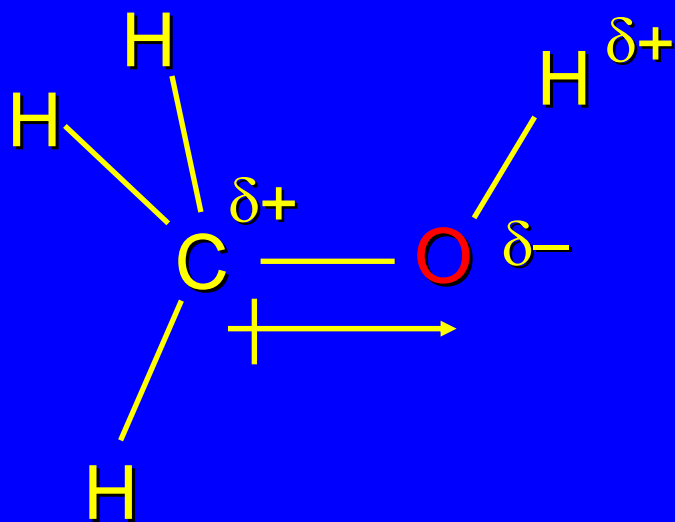
2,2,3,3-Tetramethylbutane: bp 107°C

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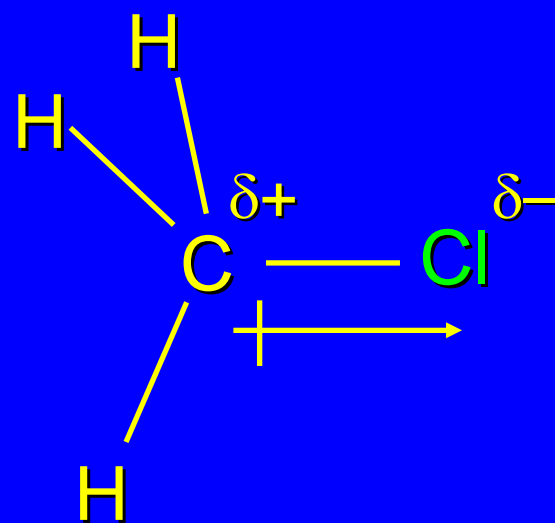
**Bonding in Alcohols
and Alkyl Halides**

Dipole Moments

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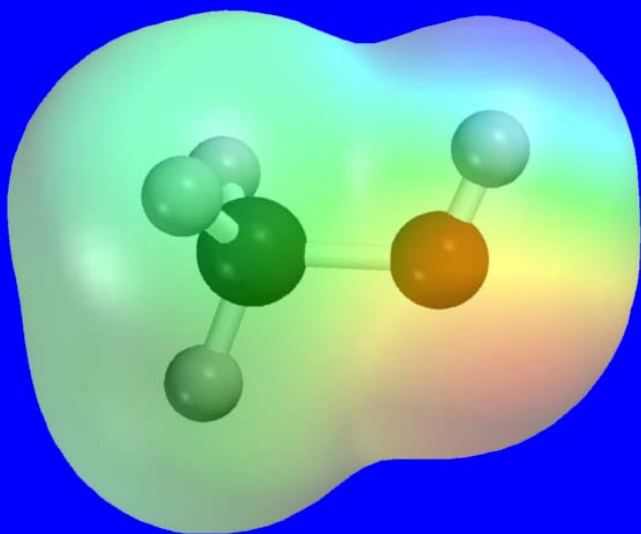
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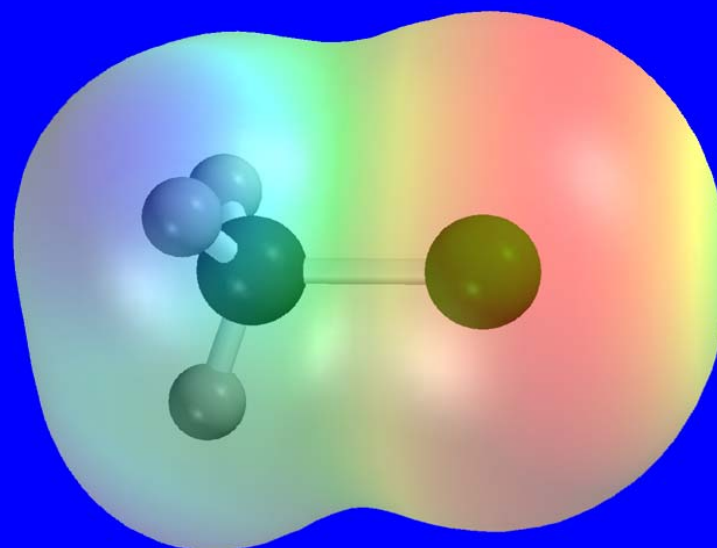
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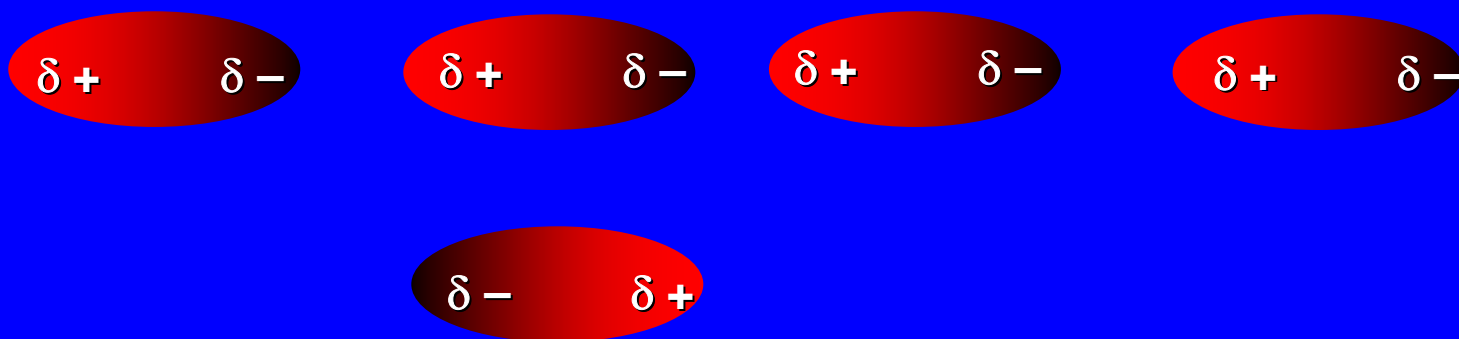


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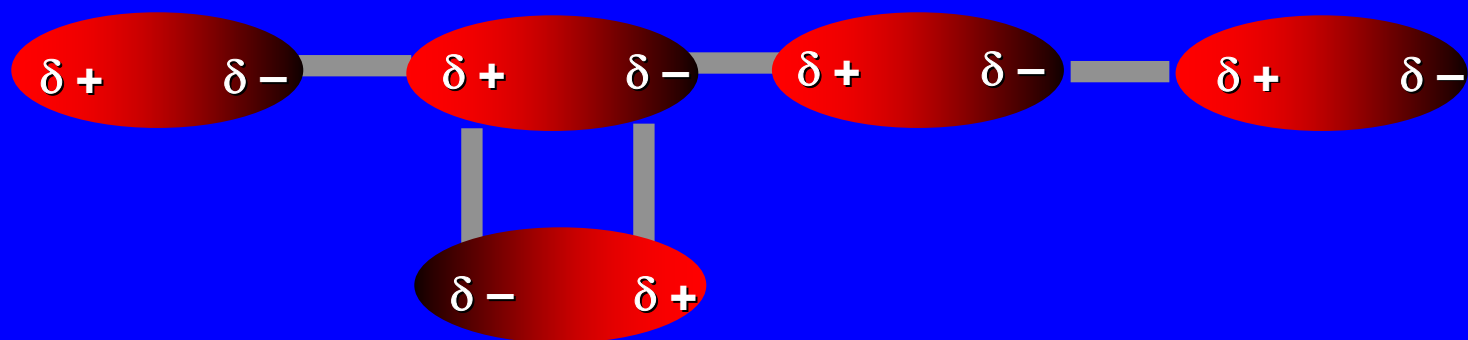


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Dipole-Dipole Attractive Forces



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Physical Properties of Alcohols and Alkyl Halides: Intermolecular Forces

Boiling point

Solubility in water

Density

Effect of Structure on Boiling Point

	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{F}$	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$
Molecular weight	44	48	46
Boiling point, °C	-42	-32	+78
Dipole moment, D	0	1.9	1.7

Effect of Structure on Boiling Point



Molecular weight

44

Intermolecular forces are weak.

Boiling point, °C

-42

Only intermolecular forces are induced dipole-induced dipole attractions.

Dipole moment, D

0

Effect of Structure on Boiling Point



Molecular weight

48

A polar molecule; therefore dipole-dipole and dipole-induced dipole forces contribute to intermolecular attractions.

Boiling point, °C

-32

Dipole moment, D

1.9

Effect of Structure on Boiling Point



Molecular weight

46

Highest boiling point; strongest intermolecular attractive forces.

Boiling point, °C

+78

Hydrogen bonding is stronger than other dipole-dipole attractions.

Dipole moment, D

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Figure 4.4 Hydrogen bonding in ethanol

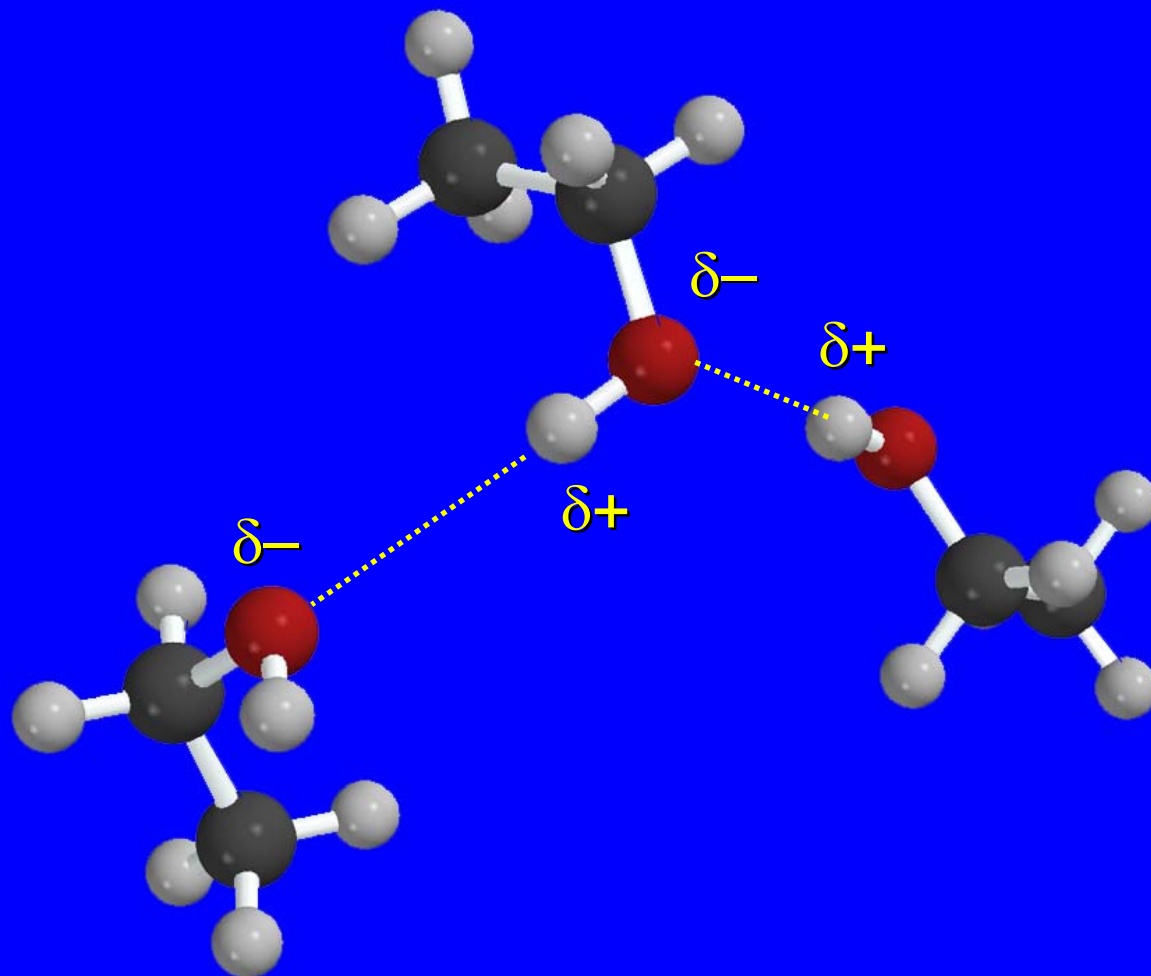
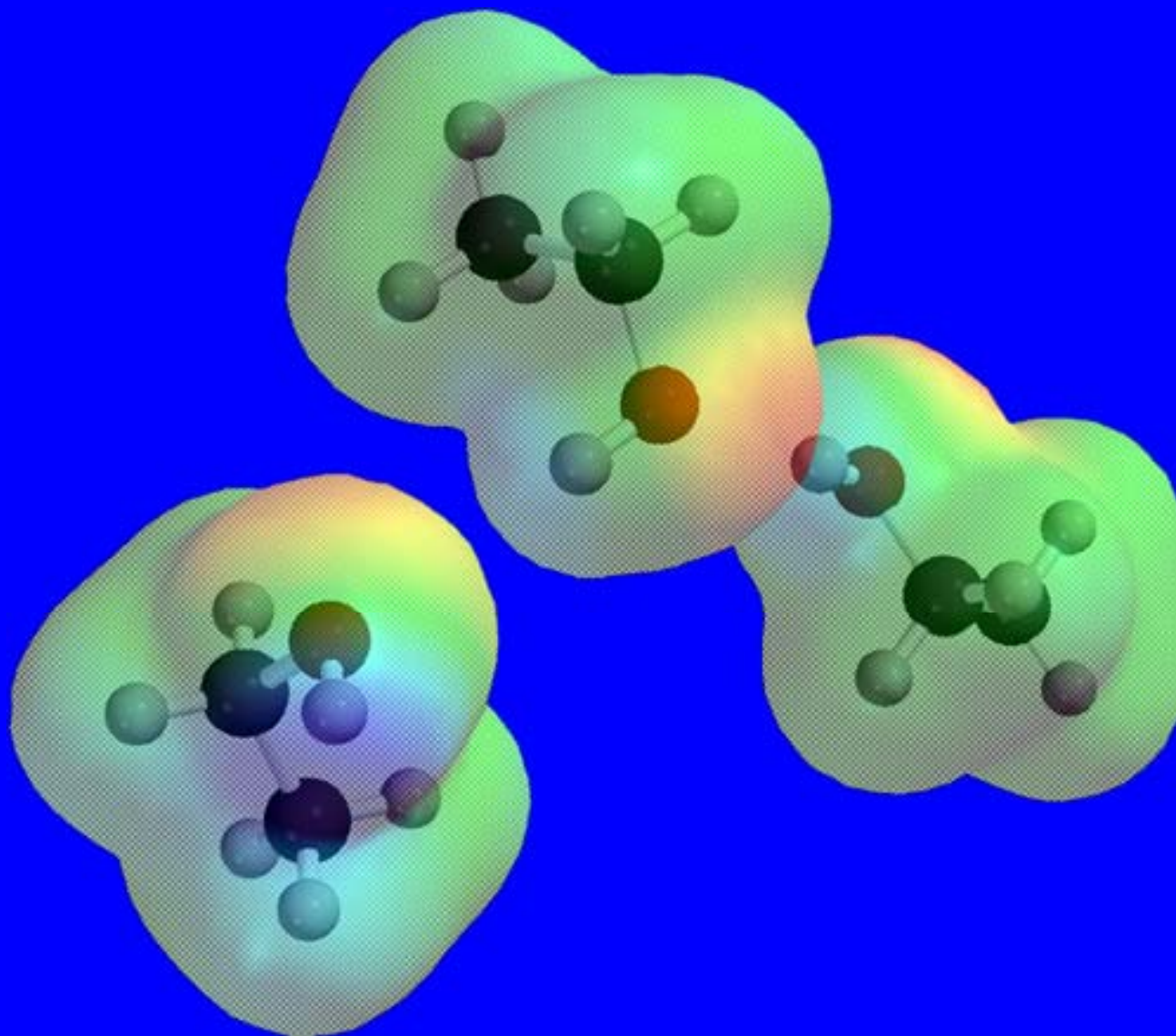


Figure 4.4 Hydrogen bonding in ethanol



Boiling point increases with increasing number of halogens

Compound	Boiling Point
CH_3Cl	-24°C
CH_2Cl_2	40°C
CHCl_3	61°C
CCl_4	77°C

Even though CCl_4 is the only compound in this list without a dipole moment, it has the highest boiling point.

Induced dipole-induced dipole forces are greatest in CCl_4 because it has the greatest number of Cl atoms. Cl is more polarizable than H.

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is fluorine*

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Fluorine is not very polarizable and induced dipole-induced dipole forces decrease with increasing fluorine substitution.

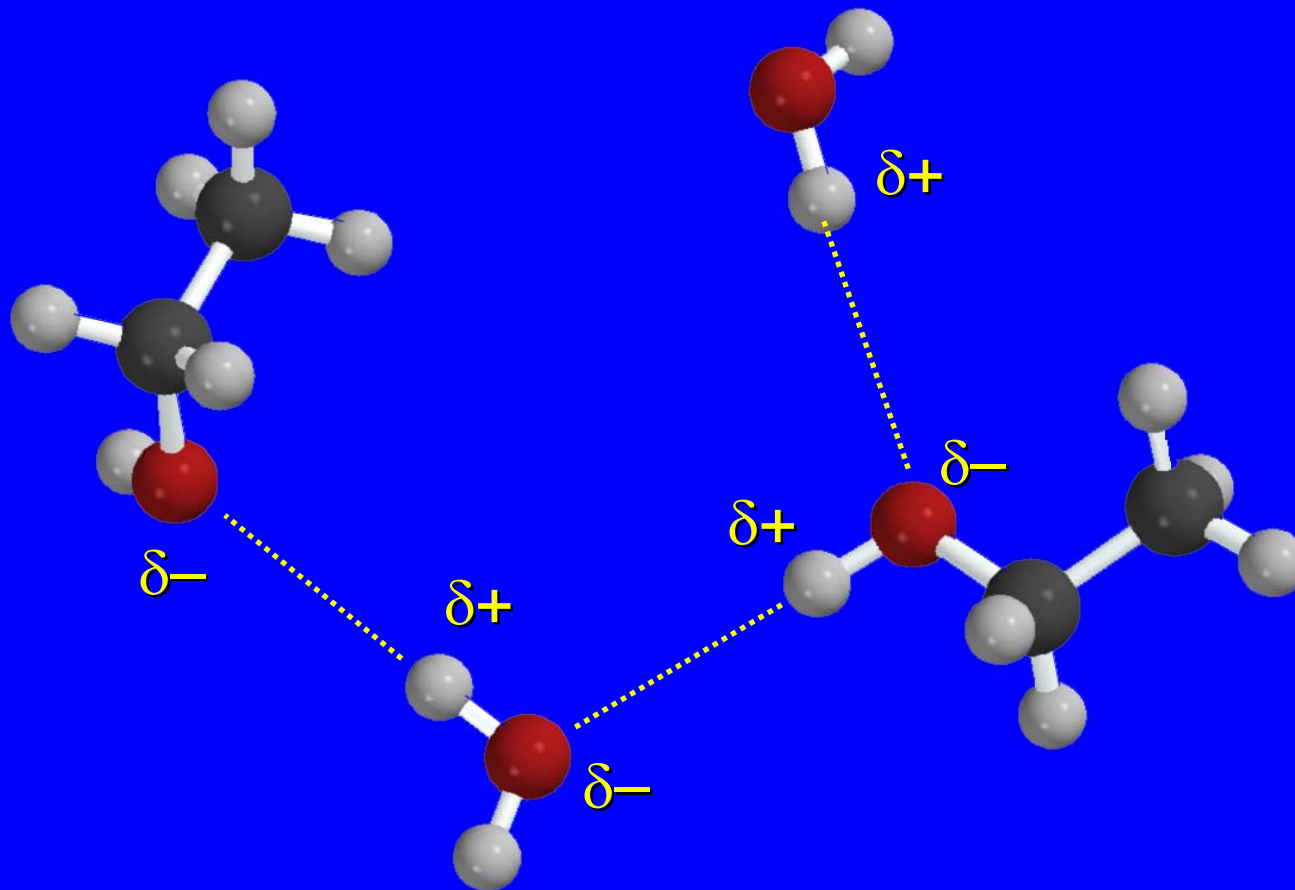
Solubility in water

Alkyl halides are insoluble in water.

Methanol, ethanol, isopropyl alcohol are completely miscible with water.

The solubility of an alcohol in water decreases with increasing number of carbons (compound becomes more hydrocarbon-like).

*Figure 4.5 Hydrogen Bonding
Between Ethanol and Water*



4.1 Functional Groups

Functional Group

A structural unit in a molecule responsible for its characteristic behavior under a particular set of reaction conditions.

Families of Organic Compounds and their Functional Groups

Alcohol

ROH

Alkyl halide

RX (X = F, Cl, Br, I)

Amine

primary amine: RNH_2

secondary amine: R_2NH

tertiary amine: R_3N

Classification

Alcohols and alkyl halides are classified as

primary

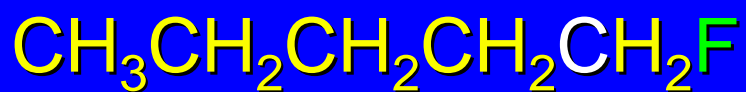
secondary

tertiary

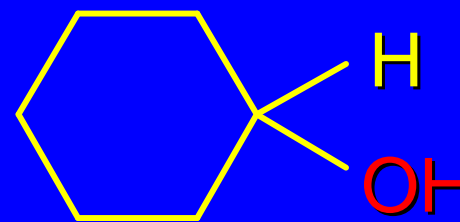
according to their "degree of substitution."

Degree of substitution is determined by counting the number of carbon atoms directly attached to the carbon that bears the halogen or hydroxyl group.

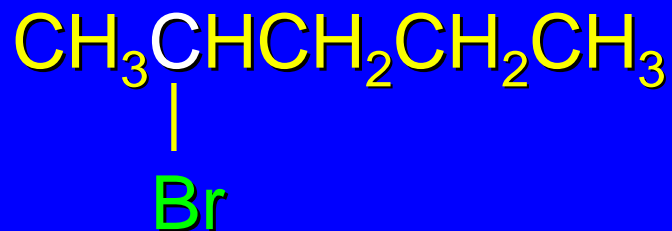
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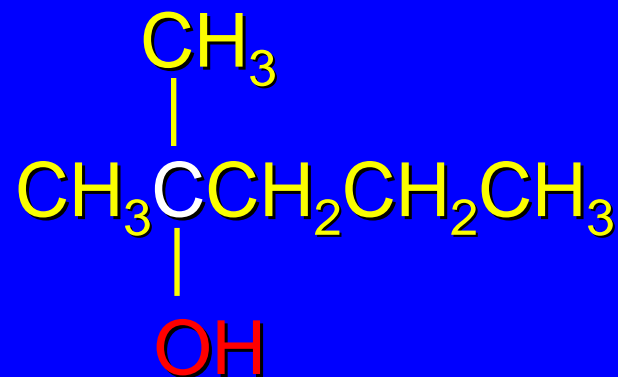
primary alkyl halide



secondary alcohol



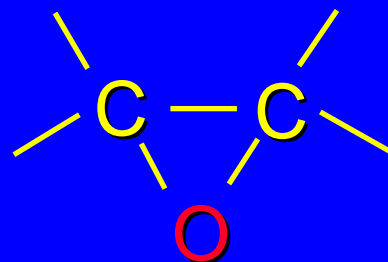
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tertiary alcohol

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Epoxide



Ether



Nitrile



Nitroalkane



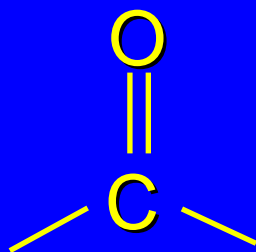
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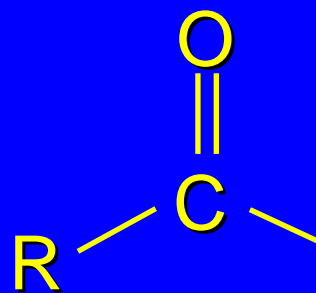
Thiol



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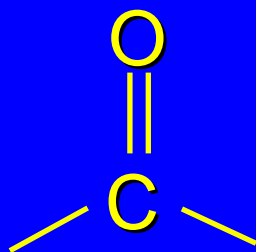


Carbonyl group

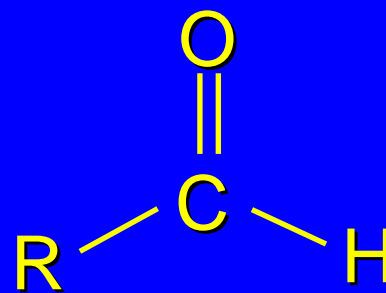


Acyl group

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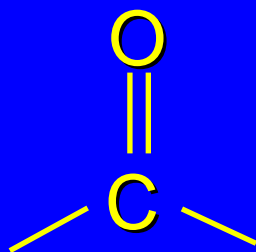


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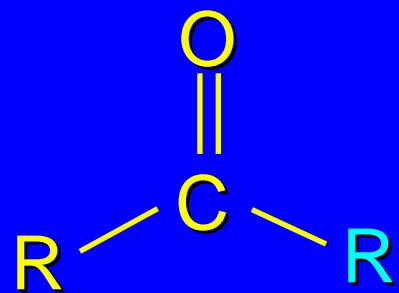


Aldehyde

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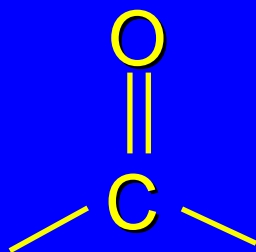


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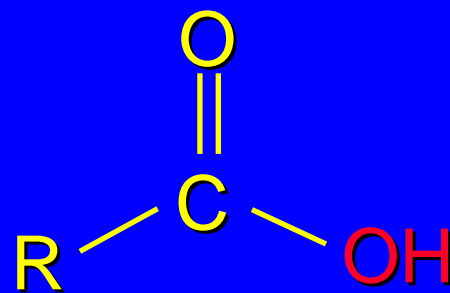


Ketone

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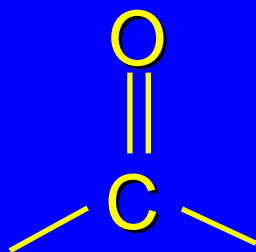


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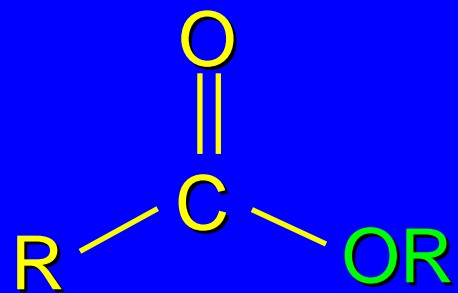


Carboxylic acid

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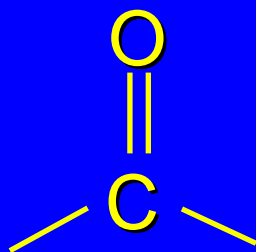


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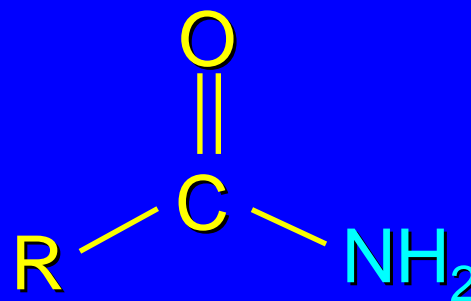


Ester

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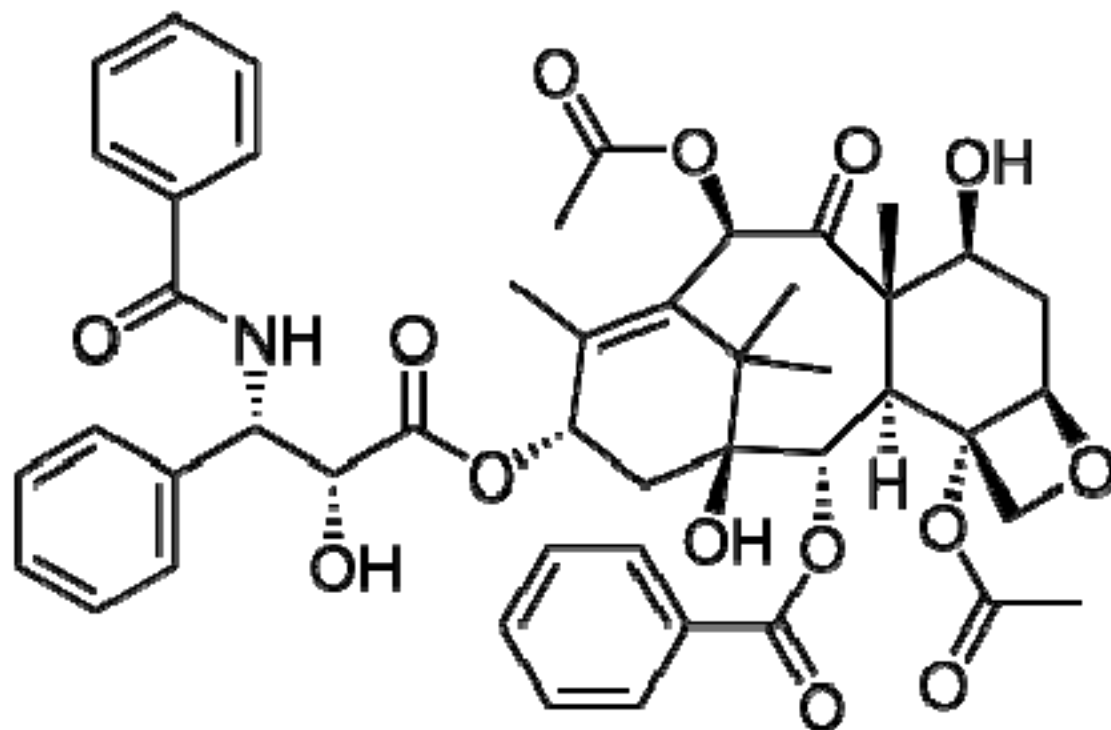


Carbonyl group



Amide

In-class exercise



How many of each functional group are present:

Alkene

Phenyl ring

Alcohol

Ether

Ester

Ketone

Amide

Paclitaxel "taxol" is now used to treat patients with [lung](#), [ovarian](#), [breast cancer](#), head and neck cancer, and advanced forms of [Kaposi's sarcoma](#).

Chapter 2 Homework Problems

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