## Benzene, Ozone, carbonate

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H C C C H

There's evidence that can shows the Benzene does not behave like a molecule with single and double bonds (which single and double bond do not exist in resonance - all the bond length in resonance are same)

- Physics evidence
  - o All bond length and angles are the same
  - o Molecular geometry of each carbon atom is trigonal planer
- Chemical evidence
  - o Benzene is more stable than expect
    - Compare to other, it require much more energy to have hydrogenation reaction
      - carbon-carbon double bond in a molecule broken and H2 molecule is add to the molecule
- Chemical reaction: Benzene does not undergo the reactions expect for a molecule with double bonds

## Summery:

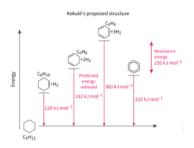
- 1. The C–C bond lengths are all the same length, with the same bond angle.
- 2. Benzene is more stable than expected due to resonance energy ( $-150\,\mathrm{kJ}\,\mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ ).
- 3. Benzene is reluctant to undergo addition reactions and prefers substitution reactions

## Benzene as resonance structure

Other resonance example:

Ozone:

## Carbonate:



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Experimental evidence indicates that benzene is best represented by a resonance hybrid structure. This resonance structure does not contain electrons in alternating single and double bonds. Instead, the electrons are delocalized 

and form a ring above and below the plane.