

# Electrophilic Substitution

Pre-lesson assignment- textbook page 437-440 (scanned)

## Define the following terms

- Substitution reaction
- Electrophile

***Now watch the video on electrophilic substitution***

## Make notes on the reactivity of Benzene

*Use the following questions as guidance*

1. Write a mechanism for the electrophilic substitution of electrophile  $E^+$  with benzene.
2. Benzene can be nitrated.
  - a. State the reagents and conditions for nitration of benzene.
  - b. Show how the electrophile  $NO_2^+$  is produced from nitric acid.
  - c. Show the mechanism for nitration
  - d. Show how the sulfuric acid is re-formed.
3. Benzene can also be halogenated
  - a. List some common halogen carriers.
  - b. Show how  $Br^+$  can be formed from  $Br_2$  and  $FeBr_3$
  - c. Show the mechanism for bromination of benzene
  - d. Show how the  $FeBr_3$  is regenerated.