

Explosive & Lubricants & Paints

1) What is explosive? Classify explosive with example what are requirement of good explosive?

⇒ Explosive is substance or mixture that when ignited undergoes a rapid, violent chemical rxn & produce a large amount of gas, heat, light sound & high pressure.

Explosive are classified as:-

On the basis of their speed.

1. High explosive (eg TNT, TNG, RDX)
2. Low explosive (eg gun powder, nitrocellulose)

On the basis of their sensitivity.

1. Primary explosive (eg: lead azide, Tetracene)
2. Secondary explosive (eg ammonium nitrate agent blasting, RDX, TNT)

The requirement of good explosive are

1. It must produce exothermic reaction along with gas, light, sound, & high pressure.
2. The explosion must be strong enough to blast ores, rocks in case of high explosive.
3. The explosion must be strong enough to trigger other explosions in case of primary explosives.

Q. What is lubricant? Write about the application of diff. types of lubricants - Write the characteristics of good lubricants.

⇒ The substance applied betⁿ two moving or sliding surface to reduce frictional resistance betⁿ them is known as lubricants.

The application of various types of lubricants are:-

- Liquid lubricant are used as coolant & sealing agents
- Liquid lubricant are used to friction remover for high bearing loads & shock loads
- Solid lubricant are used for coating as insulating surface to make it conducting.

The characteristics of good lubricants are

- It must evenly spread on lubricant surface for uninterrupted motion.
- It must be resilient to high temp. & high motion
- It must last long on the surface

3) Show your familiarity with primary & high explosive. Write the preparation & uses of TNT & TNB.

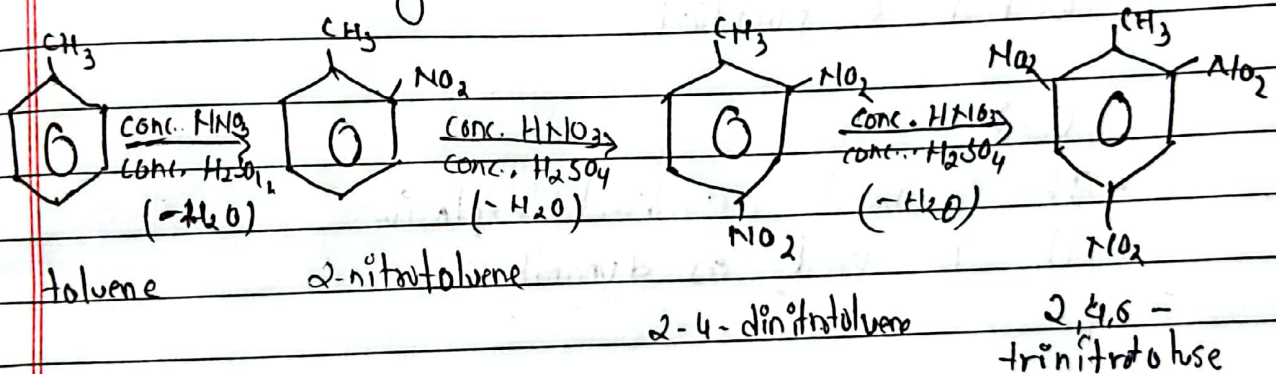
⇒ Primary explosives are also called initiating explosives or detonator. They are very sensitive & explode on receiving slight shock / fire. They are mainly used in small quantities to start or initiate the explosion of the main explosive.

Eg. Lead acid (PbN_6), Tetreene ($C_2H_2N_4O$) etc.

High explosive are those explosives which have higher energy than other explosives. However, they are quite stable & less sensitive to fire & mechanical shock. They are mostly used for blasting, terror attacks, excavating etc.

a) T.N.T.

It stands for trinitrotoluene. It is the principle military explosive. It is economic & safe, to prepare, has low sensitivity to impact, high stability etc. It can be prepared by nitration of toluene with conc. HNO_3 & conc. H_2SO_4 at 140°C then finally at 230°C .

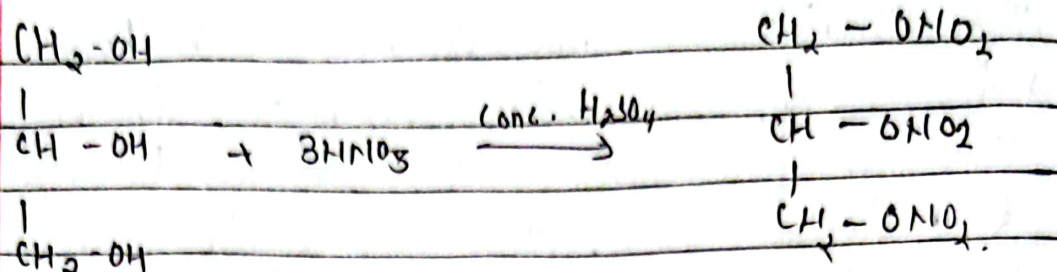


Uses.

- It is used for the shell of a rocket launcher.
- It is used for air bond demolition.
- It is used in rock blasting, subsoil blasting.

b) T.N.G.

It stands for trinitroglycerine. It is prepared by adding glycerol to a cooled mixture of conc. H_2SO_4 (60%) & conc. HNO_3 (40%) at 10°C with constant stirring.



In the industry glycerol is added by well stirring cooling of a mixture of conc. HNO_3 & conc. H_2SO_4 ensuring that the temperature of the reaction mixture does not rise up to 15°C otherwise it may result in a serious explosion. The reaction mixture is then quenched in a large vol. of water & the product is washed & purified.

Uses:

- It is used as direct explosive
- It is used as dynamite

(4) Write about enamels & varnishes? Write about semi-solid lubricants & their uses.

\Rightarrow Enamel is a pigmented - varnish paint which on drying gives a lustrous hard & glassy finish. The properties of enamel depend largely on the nature of the varnish's vehicle & resin.

Varnishes are homogeneous colloidal dispersion solⁿ of natural & synthetic resin in oil or thinner or both. It is used for protective & decorative coating of suitable surface which on drying leaves hard transparent, glassy, lustrous

& durable film.

Semi-solid lubricants are obtained by dispersion of thickening agent in liquid lubricant. It can also be prepared by saponification of fat with an alkali. The consistency is governed by the amount of mineral oil present in it.

Uses of semi-solid lubricants.

- Used as friction reducer in automobile.
- Used in industries.
- Used as coolant in automobiles.

5) What are plastic explosives? Why is detonator required for the explosion of TNT?

⇒ Plastic explosive are the combination of explosives that are in polymer state & can be hand moulded & made into various shapes without any serious risk. They are mainly used for industrial applications & military uses.

TNT or trinitrotoluene in short is a high explosive which has low sensitivity to impact, high stability & low melting points so under normal condition, TNT doesn't explode so a detonator is used to trigger a rxn which causes the main explosion of TNT.

Q 6)

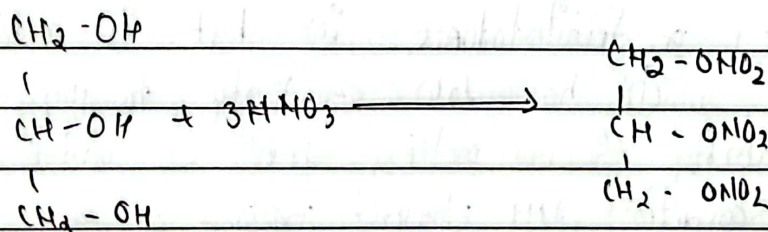
=> Paint is viscous suspension of finely divided solid pigment in a fluid medium, which on drying yields an impermeable film of powder. Paint is defined as the decorated & protective liquid or semi-liquid product that holds solid coloring materials in suspension.

The importance of lubrication in engineering is

- to decrease the efficiency of machines.
- to decrease the machine maintenance cost.
- to decrease friction & heat generation.
- to increase the life of machine.

Q 7)

=> Glycerol trinitrate (GTN) is prepared by mixing of glycerol with mixture of conc. H_2SO_4 (60%) & conc. HNO_3 (40%) at $10^\circ C$ with const. stirring.



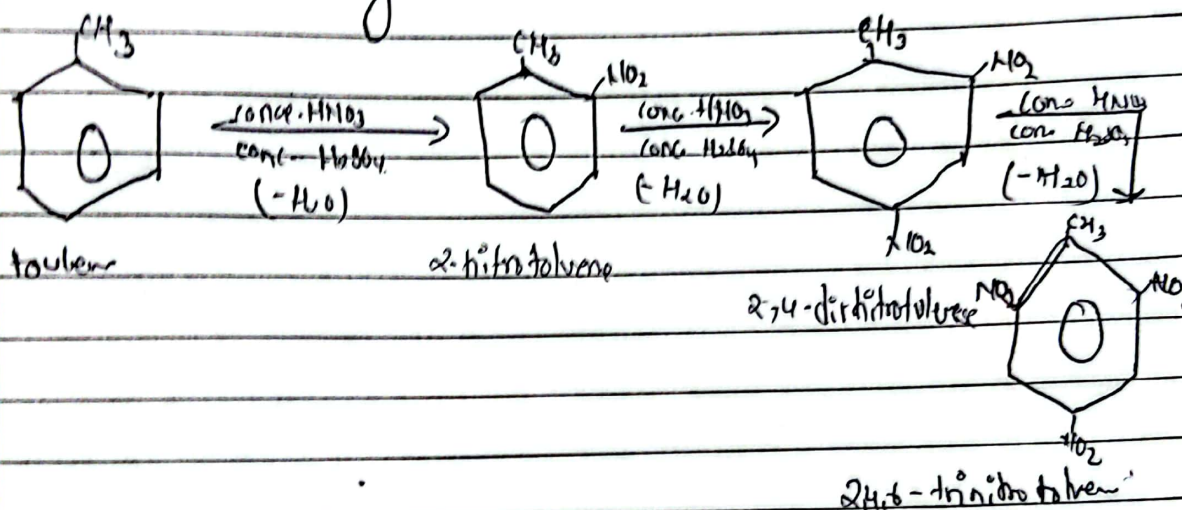
In the industry, GTN is prepared by adding glycerol with stirring to cooling mixture of conc. HNO_3 & conc. H_2SO_4 . It is ensured that the temp. of mixture doesn't exceed $15^\circ C$ as it may lead to deadly explosion.

Uses

- It is used as direct explosive.
- It is used as dynamite.

Q 8)

⇒ TNT (Trinitrotoluene) is prepared by nitration of toluene with conc. HNO_3 & conc. H_2SO_4 at 140°C then at 180°C & finally at 230°C .



Uses

- It is used in air bomb demolition.
- It is used in rock blasting, subsoil, blasting.