### CHEM 22100 (Organic Chemistry II) Notes

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#### Week 1

### Review and Intro to NMR

#### 1.1 Introduction and Review

- 1/11: We're skipping alcohols and ethers and coming back later because that's what third quarter really focuses on.
  - What you need to worry about is class content if he doesn't mention it, even if it's in the book, we won't be responsible for it on exams.
  - Natural products inspire new drugs.
    - Salicylic acid mediates pain, but it will erode the lining of your stomach.
    - Hoffmann functionalizes the alcohol to an ester, removing the negative effects and creating aspirin.
  - Sucrose (table sugar) is glucose plus fructose. Glucose tastes slightly less sweet, and fructose tastes a whole lot sweeter.
  - We now consume 120 pounds of sugar per person per year, different from 20 pounds per person per year in 1976 and 1 pound per person per year in older times.
    - So we have developed artificial sweeteners that cut calories, such as saccharin, aspartame, and sucralose.
    - Sucralose is thermally stable (you can bake with it), has no chloric content, and is made from sugar by protecting some alcohols and replacing others with chlorines.
  - Capsaicin (spiciness) evolved to prevent bugs from biting their host plants.
    - Both capsaicin and resiniferatoxin have the same vanillin group; thus, this group is probably important for reacting with pain receptors.
  - Compactin from mushrooms lowers cholesterol.
    - Zocor and lipitol are derived from it!
  - Taxol (breast cancer treatment) accumulates slowly in rare trees.
    - We can derive from the needles (a renewable resource), however, a compound that is easily functionalized to taxol.
  - It is essential to understand the mechanisms in this course!
    - We won't have to worry much about competing reactivity, but we do need to know how reactivity can change in different situations.
  - Quinine treats malaria.

- Quinine is what makes fizzy water taste bitter.
- In trying to fabricate Quinine, Perkin discovers a compound that dyes fabric purple. Never gets his PhD but makes millions off of this invention. Before, only royals could wear purple (the sole source was mediterranean sea slugs).
- $\bullet$  Identify  $S_N1$  by the fact that all chiral information in the reactant will be lost.
- Identify  $S_N 2$  by the inversion of stereochemistry.
- We won't worry much about E1 this quarter.
- We'll see a lot of E2 this quarter.
- We'll look into radical and pericyclic (Diels-Alder) reactions this quarter.
- Molecules that may look similar can actually be quite different.
- Color is related to the number of double bonds in a molecule.
- Blue lobsters are blue because they have enough of an enzyme to sequester all of the colorant in the shells of the lobsters.
  - Would you pay more for it because of its rare color? Probably shouldn't because cooking it will still make it red. It won't taste any better.
- Fleming and penicillin.
  - Initially we have no idea what its structure is.
  - It's hard to synthesize something if we have no idea what it is.
  - During WWII, American and Britain embark on a campaign to synthesize penicillin equal in scope to the Manhatten project, but it wasn't successful.
  - Eventually, Dorthy Crowfoot Hodgkin gets its structure with x-ray crystallography, after wrong attempts from R. B. Woodward and Sir Robert Robinson (future Nobel laureates who hated each other).
  - The moldy cantaloupe.
  - In 1955, John Sheehan at MIT comes up with the first chemical reagent capable of synthesizing penicillin's 4-membered ring.
  - But we made too many antibiotics and antibiotic resistance developed.
  - MRSA is only killed by vancomycin, but they're even developing resistance to that.
  - Thinking chemically to get off the pesticide treadmill.
  - We need the sophistication of nature to build molecules more complex than we can build en masse pharmaceutically.
  - As species go extinct, though, we are losing potential weapons.
- X-ray crystallography pinpoints the location of all atoms other than hydrogen in a molecule.
- Line-angle is gonna be big this quarter.
- We will not be tested on IUPAC nomenclature, but we should know it just to be able to communicate.
- Talks about resonance and induction.
- The IR spectroscopic signal of a carbonyl is 1700 cm<sup>-1</sup>.
- Resonance affects acidity and IR spectroscopy bonds that resonate (have less double bond character) will have lower IR frequencies.
- A lot of reactions are quenched by an H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> workup just enough to quench, not enough to react.

#### 1.2 Office Hours (Snyder)

- Reviews degrees of unsaturation.
- Talks about resonance, too.
- Make sure you know your functional groups!
- Alkene-based reactions are the most important to review.
- Glucose and mannose are diastereomers.
- Global vs. local symmetry.
  - Helps you determine how many signals you will see in a <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum.
  - Acetone only has 2 <sup>13</sup>C NMR signals (the methyl and the carbonyl one).
  - The ability to draw a mirror plane tells you that certain signals are equivalent.
  - You can rotate hexane into a conformation in which it will have a mirror plane.



Figure 1.1: Mirror plane in hexane.

- No symmetry, such as in 1-bromo-2,5-dichloro-3,4,6-trimethylbenzene, means all (nine) distinct signals.
- Local symmetry (think an isopropyl group).
  - Look for branch points.
  - You must have consistency of structure for the entirety of branches.
- para-dibromobenzene has only 2 signals since it has two mirror planes.

#### 1.3 NMR

- 1/13: He is going to try and present a different perspective from the book because otherwise, why take the class.
  - There is no preset curve for this class everyone can get an A.
  - The right and left boards will be there for the whole class, every class.
  - H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> workup.

Figure 1.2:  $H_3O^+$  workup.

Don't think acid-catalyzed hydration. Acid-catalyzed hydration is a very specific reaction. Organic chemists don't really use it because those conditions are so acidic that no other functional groups survive it.

- An H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> workup is adding H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> at the end of a reaction to neutralize the structure and excess nucleophile in solution without affecting other groups.
- Next three lectures: Tools for characterizing molecules, e.g., determining what we have in solution.
- It could take decades or even centuries to determine the structure of molecules in the early days of chemistry.
  - It would also take large quantities for experiments.
  - Now we can determine the structures of quantities we can only isolate milligrams of.
- IR can only identify the presence of some functional groups and maybe the identity of a compound that's already been determined (i.e., from the fingerprint region and an online database).

#### • NMR.

- Such machines exist in hospitals as MRI.
- We have dropped the "N" in NMRI because of nuclear's negative connotation, even though MRI
  machines have nothing to do with radioactivity.
- Any nucleus that has an odd atomic number will have a dipole moment.
  - The four most significant ones for organic chemistry are <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, <sup>15</sup>N, and <sup>17</sup>O.
  - The last three are all not commonly occurring isotopes. Oxygen, especially, can barely be measured. Hydrogen will be the most useful because <sup>1</sup>H is the most commonly occurring isotope.
  - For  $^{13}$ C, we will need a longer experiment since only 1/1000 carbon atoms is  $^{13}$ C.
- Theory-lite for NMR.
  - Parallel spins are lower energy, but the difference in energy from anti-parallel is very small (approximately  $5 \times 10^{-6} \, \text{kcal/mol}$ ).
  - $-1-20\,\mathrm{mg}$  of compound is needed in  $0.75\,\mathrm{mL}$  of solvent.
  - This is a non-destructive process we can recover our compound after running the experiment.
  - We typically use CDCl<sub>3</sub> as our solvent.
  - A part per million (ppm) is a Hz/MHz.
- George Van Dyke Tiers, a grad student at UChicago, determined in 1958 that TMS might be the best standard (low chemical shift, chemically inert, easily removed, etc.).
- Goes over examples from office hours.
- DEPT: Changes the angle of the magnetic field to distinguish CH, CH<sub>2</sub>, and CH<sub>3</sub> groups.
  - DEPT 90 changes the angle by  $90^{\circ}$ ; DEPT 135 by 135°.
  - In DEPT 90, we'll only see CH carbons.
  - In DEPT 135, CH and CH $_3$  groups will peak in the positive direction, and CH $_2$  groups will peak in the negative direction.
  - Neither experiment will show carbons that aren't bonded to any hydrogens.

# 1.4 Chapter 9: Nuclear Magnetic Resonance and Mass Spectroscopy

From Solomons et al. (2016).

- 1/11: Nuclear magnetic resonance spectrum: A graph that shows the characteristic energy absorption frequencies and intensities for a sample in a magnetic field. Also known as NMR spectrum.
  - The chemical shift of a signal gives important clues about molecular structure (see Table 1.1).

Type of Proton	Chemical Shift $(\delta, \text{ppm})$	Type of Proton	Chemical Shift $(\delta, \text{ppm})$
1° Alkyl, RCH₃	0.8 - 1.2	Alkyl bromide, RCH <sub>2</sub> Br	3.4-3.6
2° Alkyl, RCH₂R	1.2 - 1.5	Alkyl chloride, RCH <sub>2</sub> Cl	3.6-3.8
3° Alkyl, R₃CH	1.4-1.8	Vinylic, $R_2C = CH_2$	4.6-5.0
Allylic, $R_2C=CR-CH_3$	1.6-1.9	Vinylic, R <sub>2</sub> C=CRH	5.2-5.7
Ketone, RCOCH <sub>3</sub>	2.1-2.6	Aromatic, ArH	6.0-8.5
Benzylic, ArCH <sub>3</sub>	2.2 - 2.5	Aldehyde, RCOH	9.5-10.5
Acetylenic, RC≡CH	2.5 - 3.1	Alcohol hydroxyl, ROH	$0.5 \text{-} 6.0^*$
Alkyl iodide, RCH <sub>2</sub> I	3.1-3.3	Amino, R-NH <sub>2</sub>	1.0-5.0*
Ether, ROCH <sub>2</sub> R	3.3-3.9	Phenolic, ArOH	$4.5 - 7.7^*$
Alcohol, HOCH <sub>2</sub> R	3.3-4.0	Carboxylic, RCOOH	10-13*

<sup>\*</sup>The chemical shifts of these protons vary in different solvents and with temperature and concentration.

Table 1.1: Approximate proton chemical shifts.

- "In <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy, signal area is not relevant in routine analyses" (Solomons et al., 2016, p. 396).
- Coupling: The magnetic effect of nonequivalent hydrogen atoms that are within 2 or 3 bonds of the hydrogens producing the signal that splits individual signals into multiple peaks. Also known as signal splitting, signal multiplicity.
- Vicinal (hydrogens): Hydrogens on adjacent carbons.
- **Geminal** (hydrogens): Hydrogens bonded to the same carbon.
  - Coupling occurs between geminal hydrogens in chiral/conformationally restricted molecules, specifically diastereotopic hydrogens.
- Interpreting NMR spectra:
  - 1. Count the number of signals in the spectrum to determine how many distinct proton environments there are in the molecule.
  - 2. Use chemical shift tables (such as Table 1.1) to correlate the chemical shifts of the signals with possible structural environments.
  - 3. Determine the relative area of each signal, as compared with the area of other signals, as an indication of the relative number of protons producing the signal.
  - 4. Interpret the splitting pattern for each signal to determine how many hydrogen atoms are present on carbon atoms adjacent to those producing the signal and sketch possible molecular fragments.
  - 5. Join the fragments to make a molecule in a fashion that is consistent with the data.

- The external magnetic field causes the  $\sigma$  (and  $\pi$ , if applicable) electrons in the viscinity of each proton to circulate, producing a small local magnetic field that can serve to either increase or decrease the external magnetic field experienced by the proton.
  - Increasing the effective field causes a larger chemical shift (it takes a higher energy photon/less magnetic field to induce a spin flip).
  - Decreasing the effective field causes a smaller chemical shift (it takes less energy/more magnetic field to induce a spin flip).
- **Shielded** (proton): A proton for which the induced local magnetic field opposes the external magnetic field to a relatively large degree.
- **Deshielded** (proton): A proton for which the induced local magnetic field opposes the external magnetic field to a relatively small degree (or even reinforces the external magnetic field).
  - For example, the  $\pi$  electrons of benzene circulate in such a way that the external magnetic field at the aromatic hydrogens is *augmented*.
- "Chemically equivalent protons are chemical shift equivalent in <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra" (Solomons et al., 2016, p. 403).
- **Homotopic** (atoms): A set of atoms on some molecule such that replacing different ones with the same group gives the same compound.
  - For example, the six hydrogens of ethane are homotopic since replacing any of them with chlorine (for instance) gives the same compound: chloroethane.
  - Homotopic hydrogens are chemical shift equivalent.
- **Heterotopic** (atoms): A set of atoms on some molecule such that replacing different ones with the same group gives different compounds.
  - For example, in chloroethane, the CH<sub>2</sub> hydrogens are heterotopic to the CH<sub>3</sub> hydrogens since replacing the former yields 1,1-dichloroethane and replacing the latter yields 1,2-dichloroethane.
  - Heterotopic atoms are *not* chemical shift equivalent.
- **Enantiotopic** (atoms): Two atoms on some molecule such that replacing different atoms with the same group gives enantiomers.
  - Example: The CH<sub>2</sub> hydrogens of bromoethane.
  - Enantiotopic atoms are chemical shift equivalent, except possibly when the compound in question is dissolved in a chiral solvent.
- **Diastereotopic** (atoms): Two atoms on some molecule such that replacing different atoms with the same group gives diastereomers.
  - Example: The CH<sub>2</sub> hydrogens of 2-butanol.
  - Diastereotopic atoms are *not* chemical shift equivalent (the asymmetry of the chirality center ensures this), except possibly by coincidence.
- ullet Coupling constant: The separation in hertz between each peak of a signal. Denoted by  $oldsymbol{J}$ .
  - On the order of 6 8 Hz.
- The reciprocity of coupling constants: The coupling constants of coupled atoms are the same.
  - In more complicated molecules, noting that two signals have the same coupling constant means the protons to which they correspond are likely coupled.

- **Dihedral angle** (between vicinal groups): The angle between viscinal groups as seen on the Newman projection through the bond connecting their parent atoms. *Denoted by*  $\phi$ .
- Karplus correlation: The dependence of the coupling constant on dihedral angles.
  - Discovered by Martin Karplus of Harvard.
  - Useful for identifying cyclohexane conformations, and thus for determining which conformation is lower energy.
- An NMR spectrometer is a camera with a relatively slow shutter speed, in that it blurs pictures of rapidly occurring molecular processes.
- Examples of rapid processes that occur in organic molecules.
  - Chemical exchanges cause spin decoupling.
    - Consider ethanol.
    - Based on its structure, we'd predict that the signal corresponding to the hydroxyl proton would be a triplet.
    - However, it only appears as a triplet in very pure ethanol, where **chemical exchange** is slower due to the reduction in impurity-assisted chemical exchange catalysis common in normal ethanol.
    - Rapid chemical exchange means that neighboring protons don't have enough time to couple; thus, the hydroxyl proton appears as a singlet in relatively impure ethanol.
    - Occurs in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of alcohols, amines, and carboxylic acids; the signals of OH and NH protons are normally unsplit and broad.
    - "Protons that undergo rapid chemical exchange...can be easily detected by placing the compound in D<sub>2</sub>O. The protons are rapidly replaced by deuterons, and the proton signal disappears from the spectrum" (Solomons et al., 2016, p. 413).
  - Conformational changes.
    - If, for example, we could isolate staggered bromoethane, the CH<sub>3</sub> hydrogens would be split into two signals, as the one anti-periplanar hydrogen is in a different chemical environment from its two geminal neighbors.
    - But we can't, so all three CH<sub>3</sub> hydrogens contribute to one peak.
- Chemical exchange: The swapping of identical atoms between molecules.
- Exchangeable proton: A proton that can engage in rapid chemical exchange.
- We now switch gears to <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy.
- Although <sup>13</sup>C does not occur naturally with nearly the same frequency as <sup>12</sup>C, it is important for its application to NMR spectroscopy.
- Simplifications from <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy.
  - Each distinct carbon produces one signal in a <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum.
  - Splitting of <sup>13</sup>C signals into multiple peaks is not observed in routine <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra.
- No (technically just very little) carbon-carbon coupling since coupling only occurs for adjacent carbons and only 1 in 100 carbon atoms is  $^{13}$ C (1.1% natural abundance).
- Carbon-proton coupling can occur, however, splitting <sup>13</sup>C signals into multiplets.
- **Broadband proton decoupled** (spectrum): A <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum in which <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C coupling is eliminated by choosing instrumental parameters to decouple the proton-carbon interactions. *Also known as* **BB proton decoupled**.

Type of Proton	Chemical Shift $(\delta, \text{ppm})$
1° Alkyl, RCH <sub>3</sub>	0-40
2° Alkyl, RCH <sub>2</sub> R	10-50
3° Alkyl, RCHR₂	15-50
Alkyl halide or amine, $R_3CX$ (X = Cl, Br, NR' <sub>2</sub> )	10-65
Alcohol or ether, R₃COR′	50-90
Alkyne, RC≡R′	60-90
Alkene, $R_2C=R'$	100-170
C - R	
Aryl,	100-170
Nitrile, RC≡N	120-130
Amide, RCONR'2	150-180
Carboxylic acid or ester, RCOOR'	160-185
Aldehyde or ketone, RCOR'	182-215

Table 1.2: Approximate carbon-13 chemical shifts.

- Shielding and deshielding works the same way (see Table 1.2).
- In addition to the TMS peak,  $^{13}$ C spectra have a CDCl<sub>3</sub> solvent peak at  $\delta$  77.
- **DEPT** <sup>13</sup>**C NMR spectrum**: A <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** spectrum that indicates how many hydrogen atoms are bonded to each carbon, while also providing the chemical shift information contained in a broadband proton-decoupled <sup>13</sup>**C NMR spectrum**. Also known as distortionless enhancement by polarization transfer.

#### Week 2

### Spectrometry

#### 2.1 Office Hours (Snyder)

- 1/17: Does cyclohexane only have one <sup>13</sup>C NMR signal, and only one <sup>1</sup>H NMR signal?
  - 1 singlet for <sup>13</sup>C.
  - 1 singlet for <sup>1</sup>H.
  - We don't integrate carbon.
  - We only integrate to compare things.
  - We won't have to deal with cyclohexane conformations wrt. NMR on any test.
  - What do we need to know about the Karplus correlation?
    - We won't need it for problems.
    - It's useful, but we've got other things to worry about.
  - Do chemists/when do chemists run <sup>13</sup>C NMR experiments with all carbons isotopically carbon-13?
  - Is the reason we don't integrate carbon because the placing of the carbon-13s is random? Would the proportions not still be representative?
  - For <sup>1</sup>H NMR, feel free to draw in the hydrogen atoms on the line-angle structure.
  - Multiplying n + 1 of different types of neighbors (e.g., if a hydrogen has 3 neighboring hydrogens to one side and 2 neighboring hydrogens to the other side, it has a maximum of (3+1)(2+1) = 12 peaks in its signal).
    - The multiplication analysis applies only to chains that are completely different.

# 2.2 Chapter 9: Nuclear Magnetic Resonance and Mass Spectroscopy

From Solomons et al. (2016).

1/18:

- Mass spectrometry: The formation of ions in a mass spectrometer followed by separation and detection of the ions according to mass and charge.
  - Mass spectrum: A graph that on the x-axis represents the formula weights of the detected ions, and on the y-axis represents the abundance of each detected ion.
    - The x-axis is labeled m/z where m is mass and z is charge.

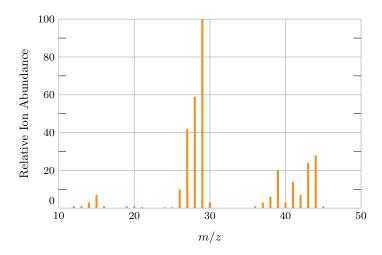


Figure 2.1: The mass spectrum of propane.

- The examples Solomons et al. (2016) consider all have z = +1, so the x-axis in them effectively represents the formula weight of each detected ion.
- Base peak: The tallest peak in a mass spectrum.
  - Relative ion abundance on the y-axis is either expressed as a percentage of the base peak or directly as the number of detected ions.
  - Usually an easily formed fragment of the original compound.
  - The base peak in Figure 2.1 corresponds to the  $C_2H_5^+$  ion,  $m/z = 29 = 2 \cdot 12 + 5 \cdot 1$ .
- Molecular ion: The ion with the formula weight of the original compound.
  - One of the higher value m/z peaks.
  - Usually not the base peak.
- Small peaks having m/z values 1 or 2 higher than the formula weight of the compound are due to  $^{13}$ C and other isotopes.
- **Electron impact**: A method for ionizing molecules in a mass spectrometer by placing the sample under high vacuum and bombarding it with a beam of high-energy electrons. *Also known as* **EI**.
  - The energy of the electrons is in the range of  $70 \,\mathrm{eV}$  or  $6.7 \times 10^3 \,\mathrm{kJ/mol}$ .
  - The incoming electrons ionize the molecules to molecular ions, which are radical cations since they have a +1 charge and an unshared electron.
- Note that there are ionization methods other than EI, but it is the most common.
- Localizing the radical and charge along the structure.

Figure 2.2: Molecular ions.

- The choice of where we localize the radical/charge is often arbitrary (esp. with hydrocarbons).

- However, "as we might expect, ionization potentials indicate that in [the] formation of radical cations, the nonbonding electrons of nitrogen, oxygen, and halogen atoms, and the  $\pi$  electrons of alkenes and aromatic molecules, are held more loosely than the electrons of carbon-carbon and carbon-hydrogen  $\sigma$  bonds" (Solomons et al., 2016, p. 425).
- Thus, "when a molecule contains oxygen, nitrogen, or a  $\pi$  bond, we place the odd electron and charge at a nitrogen, oxygen, halogen, or  $\pi$  bond. If resonance is possible, the radical cation may be delocalized" (Solomons et al., 2016, p. 425).
- Three important principles.
  - 1. The reactions that take place are all unimolecular since the pressure is kept so low.
  - 2. Single-barbed arrows denote the movement of single electrons.
  - 3. The relative ion abundances give key information about the structures of the fragments produced and their original locations in the molecule.
- Fragmentation by cleavage at a single bond.
  - When such a process happens in a molecular ion, a cation and a radical are produced, although
    only the cation will be detected by the positive ion mass spectrometers we're considering.
  - Each cleavage can happen in two ways (since one fragment will take the radical and the other will take the positive charge).
  - The path that produces the more stable carbocation will occur more rapidly.
    - Notice the difference in relative ion abundance between the secondary  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2^+$  (m/z=29) and the primary  $\text{CH}_3^+$  (m/z=15) in Figure 2.1.
- When drawing cleavage reactions, use brackets and delocalization; when drawing cleavage mechanisms, use localization.
- Chain branching increases the likelihood of cleavage at a branch point because a more stable carbocation can result.
- Examples of fragmentation to form resonance-stabilized cations.
  - $1. \ \ Alkenes\ ionize\ and\ frequently\ undergo\ fragmentations\ that\ yield\ resonance-stabilized\ allylic\ cations.$

$$CH_{2} = CH - CH_{2} - R \xrightarrow{\text{ionization}} CH_{2} = CH \xrightarrow{\text{CH}_{2}} R \xrightarrow{\text{fragmentation}} \begin{bmatrix} \overset{\leftarrow}{\text{CH}_{2}} - CH = CH_{2} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ CH_{2} = CH - \overset{\leftarrow}{\text{CH}_{2}} \end{bmatrix} + \cdot R$$

Figure 2.3: Resonance fragmentation: Alkenes.

Carbon-carbon bonds next to an atom with a lone pair usually break readily because the resulting carbocation is resonance stabilized.

$$R - \ddot{Z} - CH_2 - CH_3 \xrightarrow{\text{ionization}} R - \ddot{Z} - CH_2 \xrightarrow{\text{CH}_2} CH_3 \xrightarrow{\text{fragmentation}} \begin{bmatrix} R - \dot{Z} = CH_2 \\ \downarrow \\ R - \ddot{Z} - \dot{C}H_2 \end{bmatrix} + \cdot CH_3$$

Figure 2.4: Resonance fragmentation: Lone pairs.

3. Carbon-carbon bonds next to the carbonyl group of an aldehyde or ketone break readily because resonance-stabilized ions called **acylium ions** are produced.

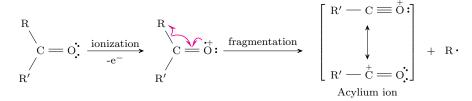


Figure 2.5: Resonance fragmentation: Carbonyls.

- Note that either the C-R or the C-R' bond could break.
- 4. Alkyl substituted benzenes ionize by loss of a  $\pi$  electron and undergo loss of a hydrogen atom or methyl group to yield the relatively stable **tropylium ion**. This fragmentation gives a prominent peak (sometimes the base peak) at m/z = 91.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_3 & \\ \hline & ionization \\ -e^- & \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{c} CH_3 & fragmentation and \\ \hline & \\ -H \cdot \\ \hline \end{array}$$

(a) Losing a hydrogen radical.

$$\begin{array}{c} CH_{3} \\ \hline \\ + \cdot \\ \hline \\ -CH_{3} \cdot \\ \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{fragmentation and} \\ \hline \\ + \cdot \\ \end{array}$$

(b) Losing a methyl radical.

Figure 2.6: Resonance fragmentation: Alkyl-substituted benzene rings.

5. Monosubstituted benzenes with other than alkyl groups also ionize by loss of a  $\pi$  electron and then lose their substituent to yield a phenyl cation with m/z = 77.

Figure 2.7: Resonance fragmentation: Monosubstituted benzene rings with nonalkyl groups.

- Y is a halogen, nitro group, acyl group, nitrile group, etc.
- Fragmentation by cleavage of two bonds leads to a new radical cation and a neutral molecule.
  - 1. Alcohols frequently show a peak at M<sup>+</sup>. 18. This corresponds to the loss of a molecule of water.

Figure 2.8: Fragmentation: Loss of H<sub>2</sub>O.

2. Carbonyl compounds with a hydrogen on their  $\gamma$  carbon undergo a fragmentation called the McLafferty rearrangement.

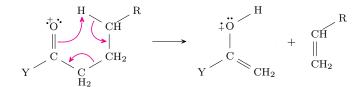


Figure 2.9: Fragmentation: McLafferty rearrangement.

- Y may be an alkyl, hydride, ether, hydroxyl, etc.
- 3. There are also often peaks corresponding to the elimination of other small molecules.
- Isotope effects:
  - The presence of  $^{13}$ C will provide a small peak at  $M^+_{\cdot}+1$ .
  - "In the mass spectrum for a sample containing chlorine, we would expect to find peaks separated by two mass units, in an approximately 3:1 (75.5%: 24.5%) ratio for the molecular ion or any fragments that contain chlorine" (Solomons et al., 2016, p. 432).
  - "In the mass spectrum for a sample containing bromine, we would expect to find peaks separated by two mass units in an approximately 1 : 1 ratio (50.5% : 49.5% <sup>79</sup>Br to <sup>81</sup>Br)" (Solomons et al., 2016, p. 433).
  - In a molecule containing two bromine atoms, for example, we'll see peaks at  $M^+$ ,  $M^+$  + 2, and  $M^+$  + 4 in a 1 : 2 : 1 ratio.

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