

CHEMISTRY refresher

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Topics

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Gasoline

Table 7. Major organic compounds in a typical gasoline blend.¹

[n, C₅-C₁₃ carbon chain; MTBE, methyl *tert*-butyl ether; TBA, *tert*-butyl alcohol]

Major compounds	Percent composition by weight
n-alkanes	17.3
Branched alkanes	32.0
Cycloalkanes	5.0
Olefins	1.8
Aromatic hydrocarbons	30.5
Benzene	3.2
Toluene	4.8
Ethylbenzene	1.4
Xylenes	6.6
Other benzenes	11.8
Other aromatics	2.7

Other possible additives

Octane enhancers: MTBE, TBA, ethanol

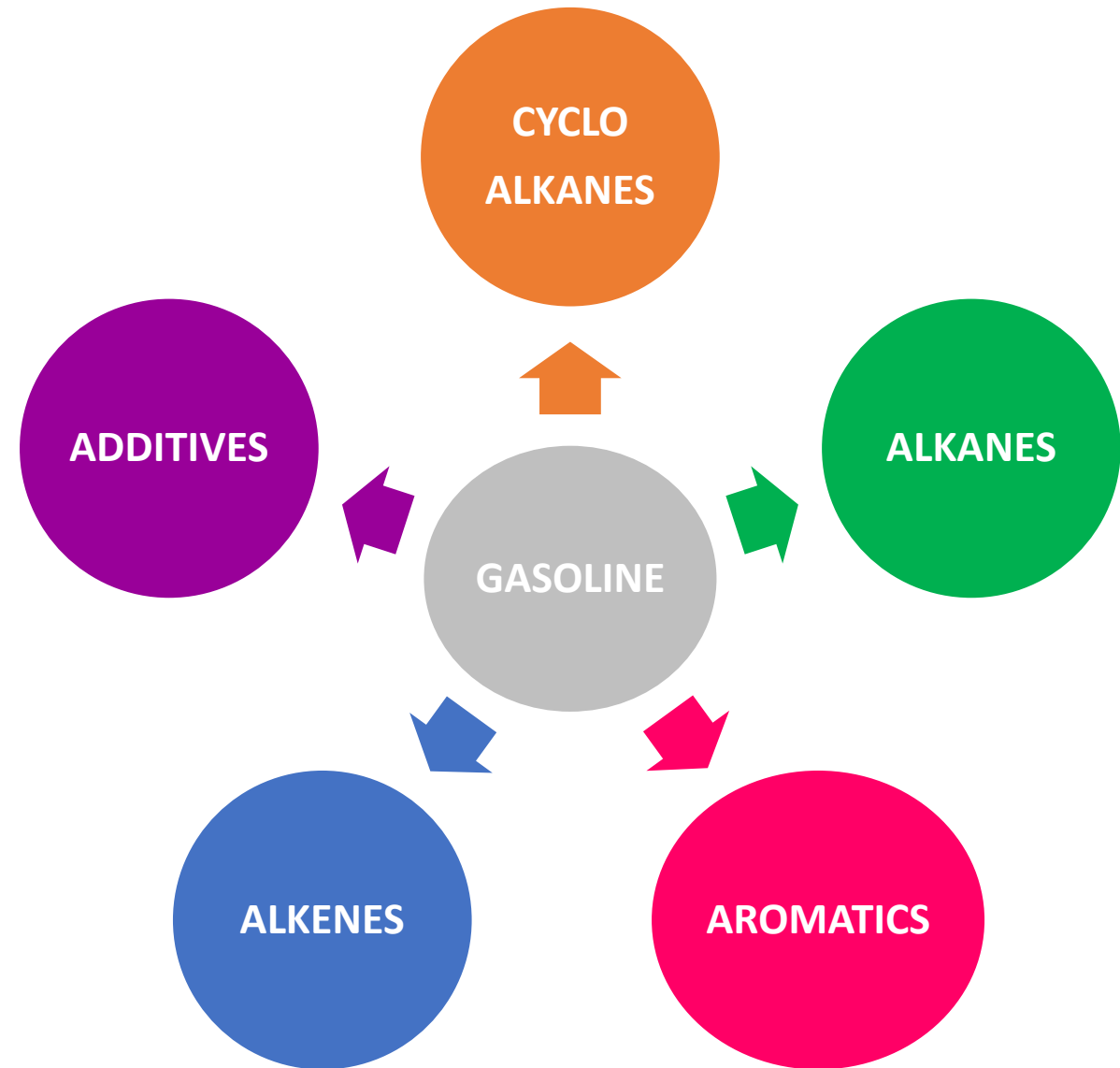
Antioxidants: N, N'-dialkylphenylenediamines, di- and tri-alkylphenols, butylated methyl, ethyl and dimethyl phenols

Metal deactivators: various N, N'-disalicylidene compounds

Ignition controllers: tri-*o*-cresylphosphate (TOCP)

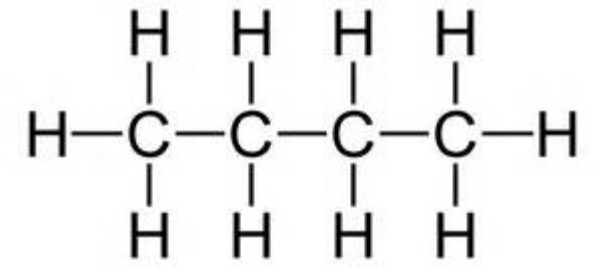
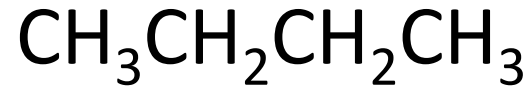
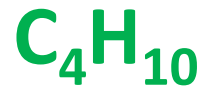
Detergents/dispersants: alkylamine phosphates, poly-isobutene amines, long-chain alkyl phenols, alcohols, carboxylic acids, and amines

Corrosion inhibitors: phosphoric acids, sulfonic acids, carboxylic acids

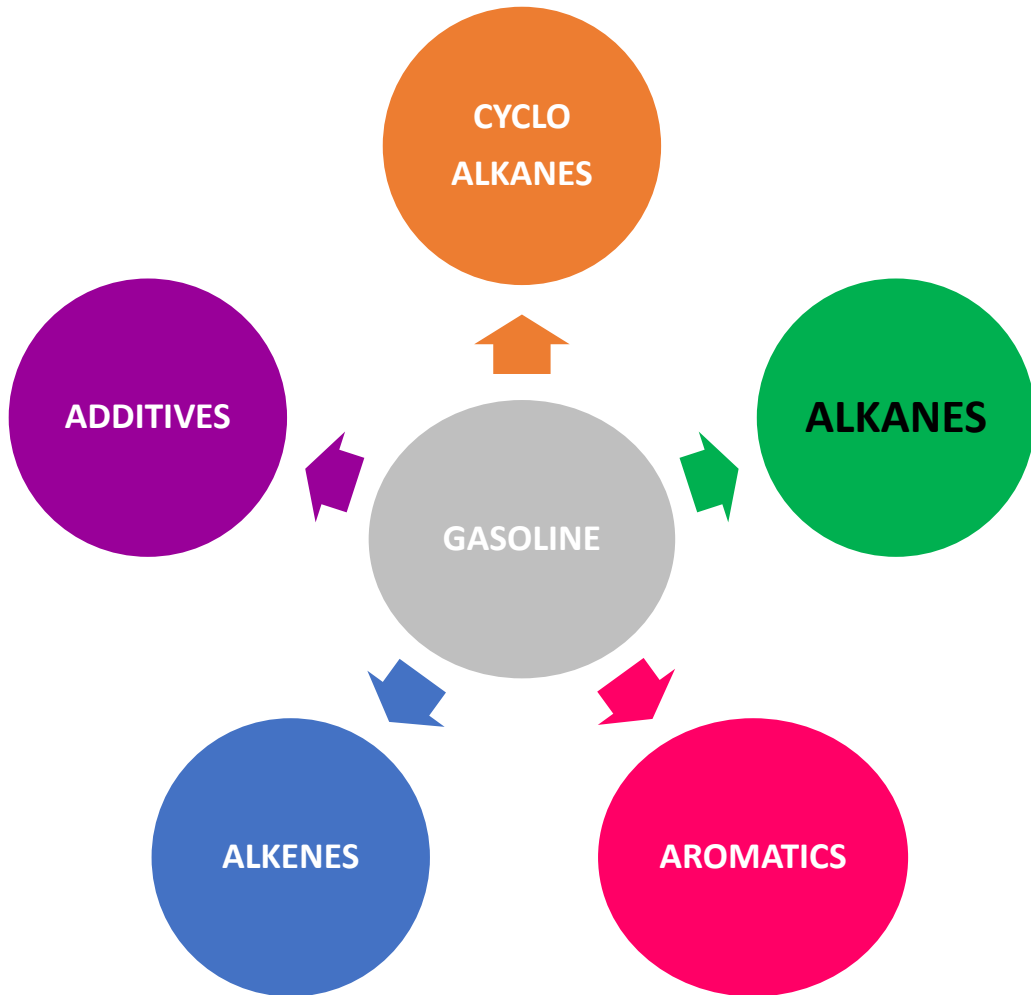


¹Harper and Liccione, 1995

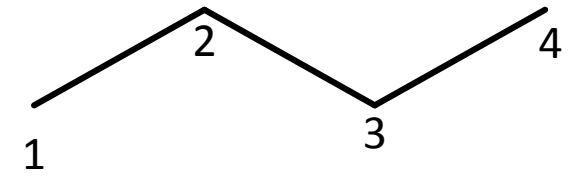
Gasoline



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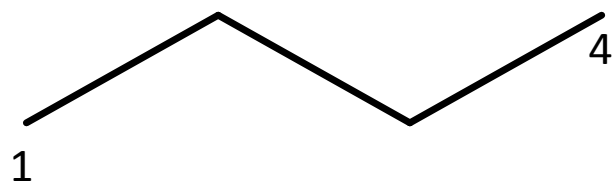
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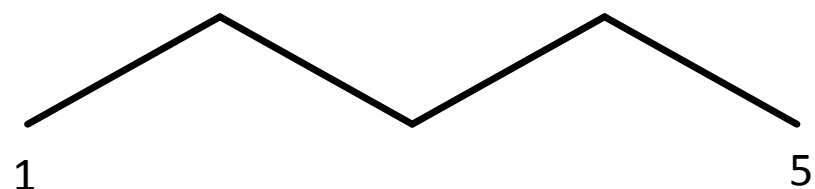
Butane
or
n-butane

Gasoline

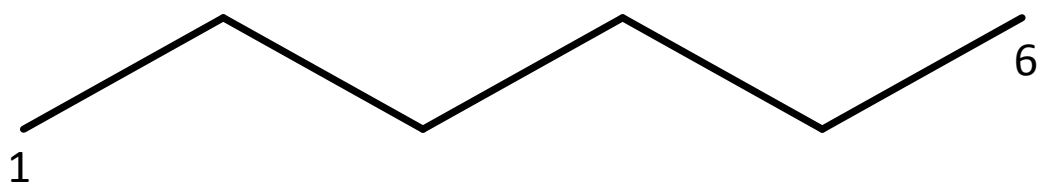
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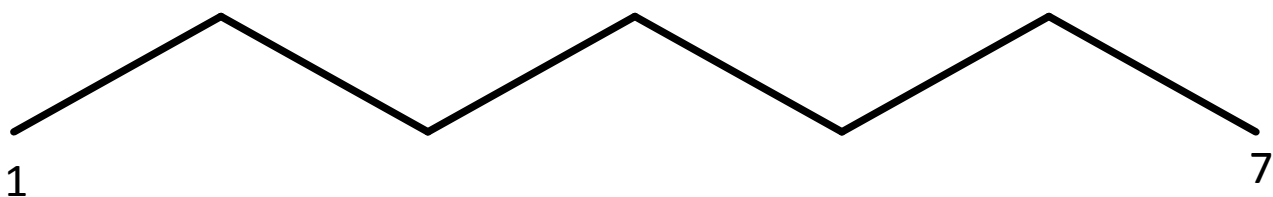
C_4H_{10} Butane



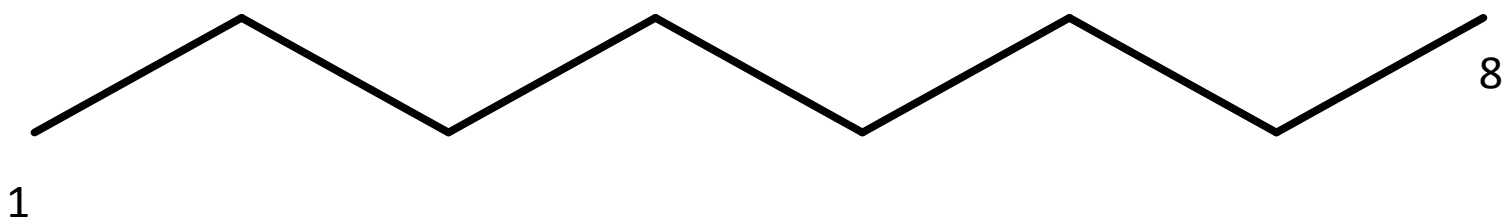
C_5H_{12} Pentane



C_6H_{14} Hexane



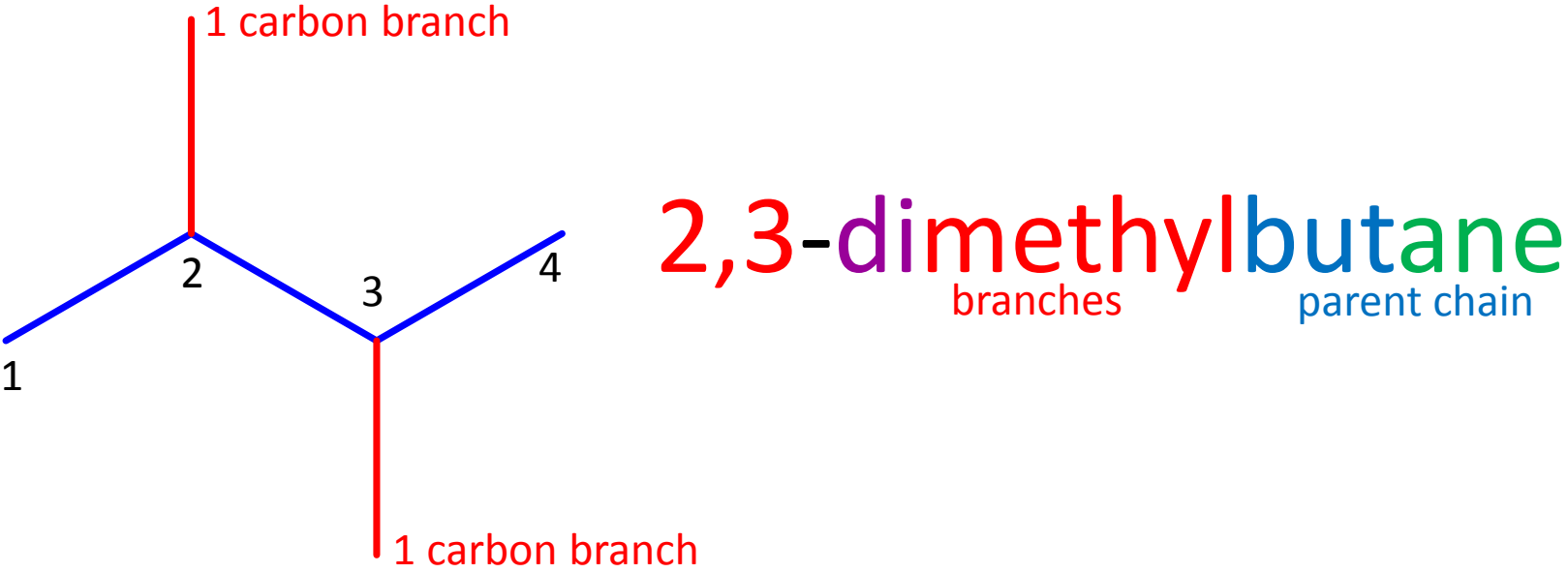
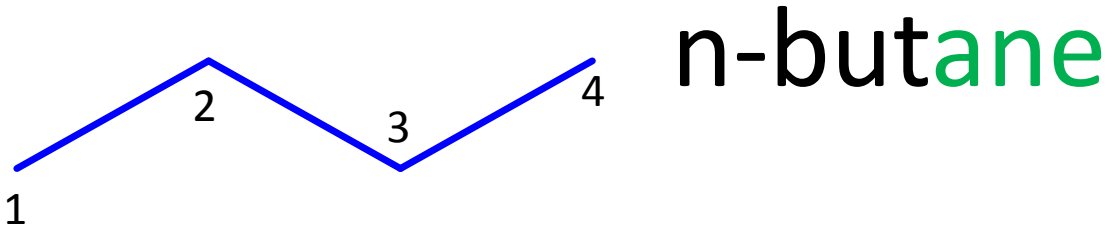
C_7H_{16} Heptane



C_8H_{18} Octane

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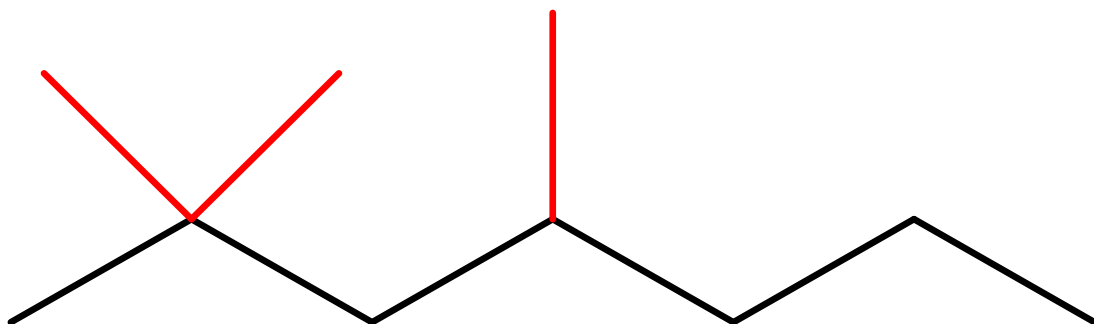


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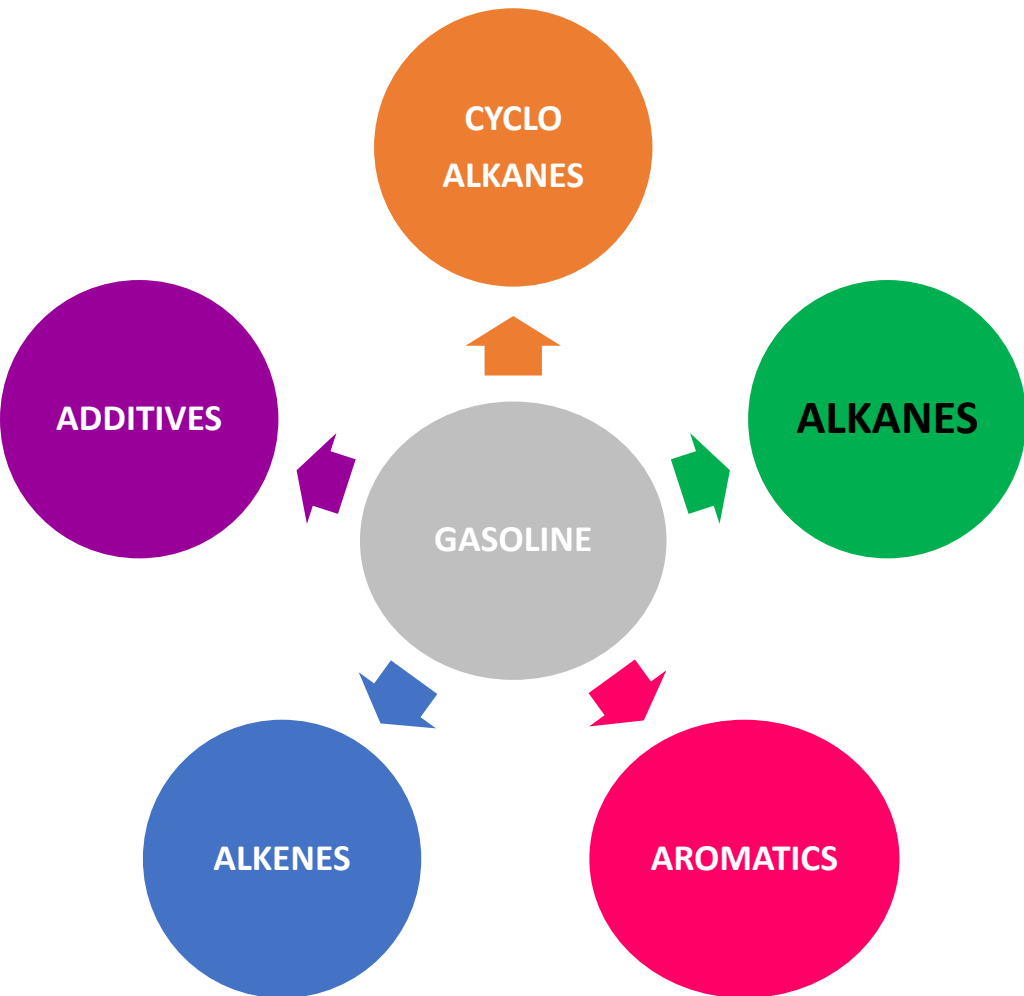


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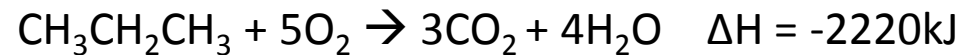


- **Aliphatic** (linear and/or branched) C_3-C_{13} are the most common
- C_3-C_8 have high vapor pressures (rapidly evaporate)
- C_3-C_8 are volatile by photochemical **oxidation**
 - Molecular oxygen (O_2) needs to be present
- $CH_3CH_2CH_3 + 5O_2 \rightarrow 3CO_2 + 4H_2O$
 $\Delta H = -2220kJ$ (negative value means release of E)
- Why does this oxidation happen?
 - products are favored because they are more stable, lower in energy

Alkanes – Fresh vs. Weathered

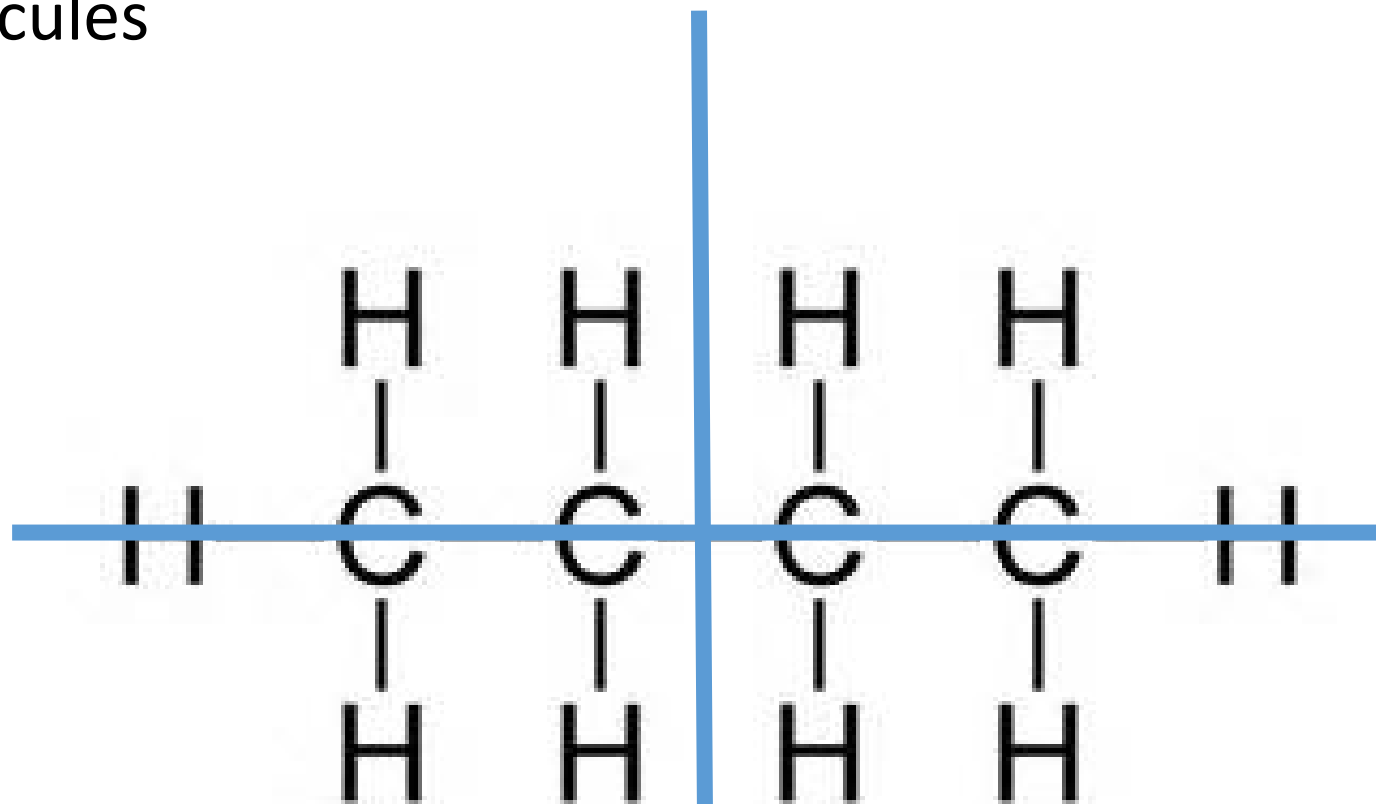
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n-butane	58.1	0.0629	0.0000	0
trans-2-butene	56.1	0.0007	0.0000	0
cis-2-butene	56.1	0.0000	0.0000	0
3-methyl-1-butene	70.1	0.0006	0.0000	0
isopentane	72.2	0.1049	0.0069	0.077
1-pentene	70.1	0.0000	0.0005	0
2-methyl-1-butene	70.1	0.0000	0.0008	0
2-methyl-1,3-butadiene	68.1	0.0000	0.0000	0
n-pentane	72.2	0.0586	0.0095	0
trans-2-pentene	70.1	0.0000	0.0017	0
2-methyl-2-butene	70.1	0.0044	0.0021	0
2-methyl-1,2-butadiene	68.1	0.0000	0.0010	0
3,3-dimethyl-1-butene	84.2	0.0049	0.0000	0
cyclopentane	70.1	0.0000	0.0046	0.0738
3-methyl-1-pentene	84.2	0.0000	0.0000	0
2,3-dimethylbutane	86.2	0.0730	0.0044	0
2-methylpentane	86.2	0.0273	0.0207	0
3-methylpentane	86.2	0.0000	0.0186	0



Alkanes

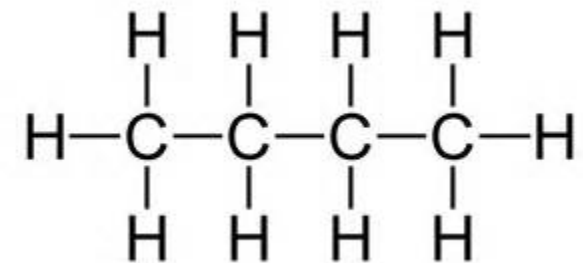
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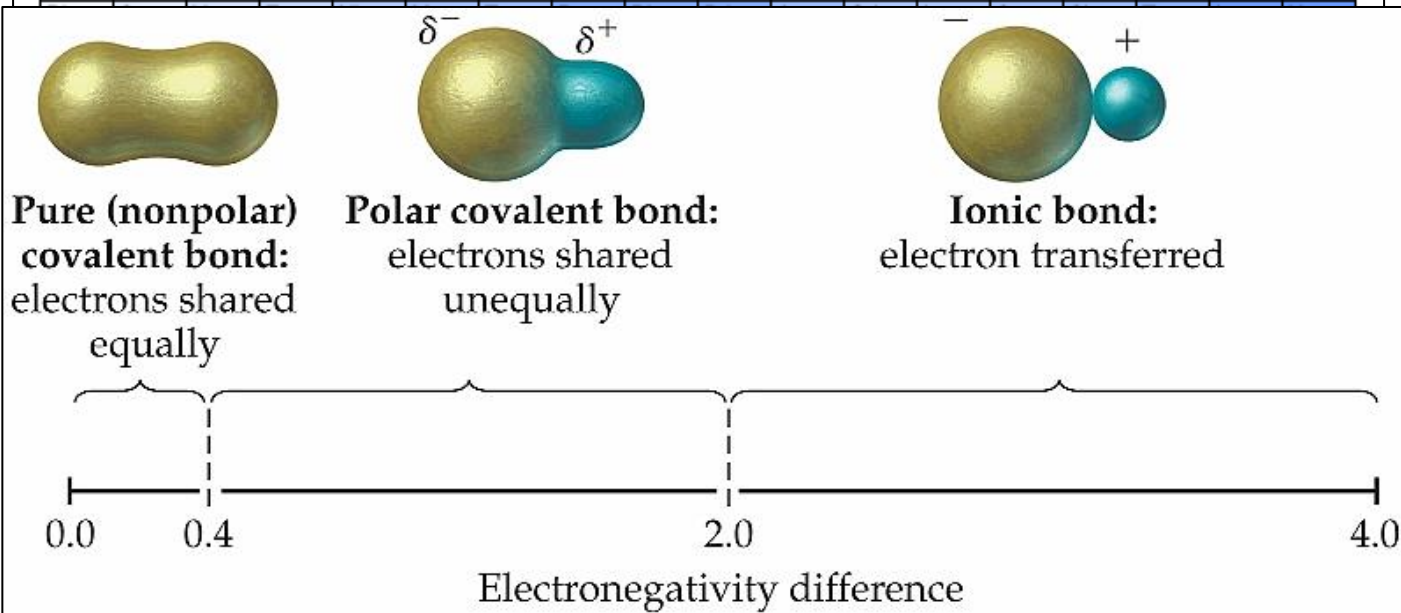
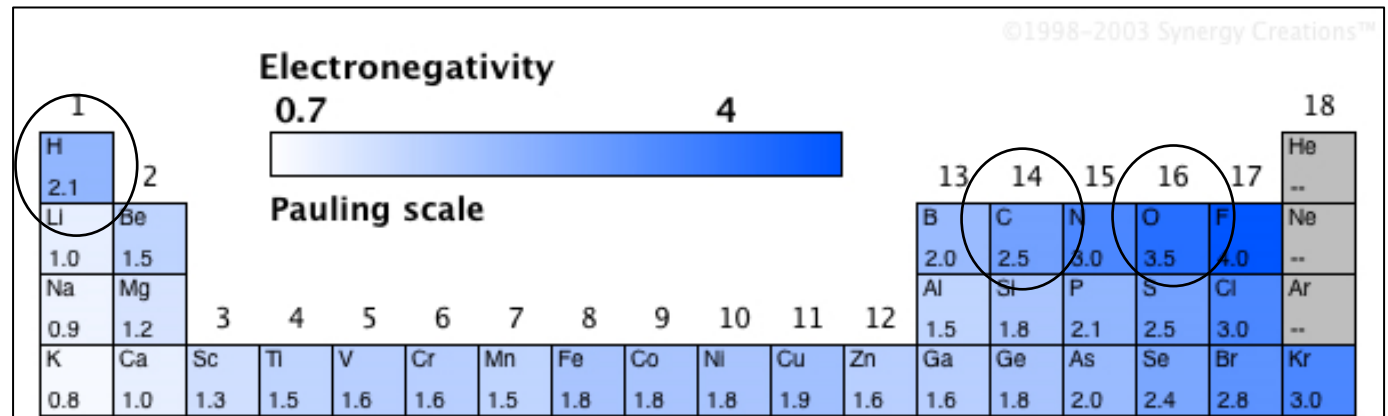
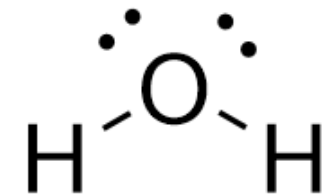
2 or more lines of symmetry = nonpolar

Alkanes

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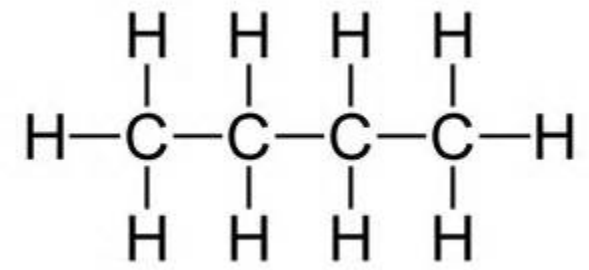


- Polar molecule

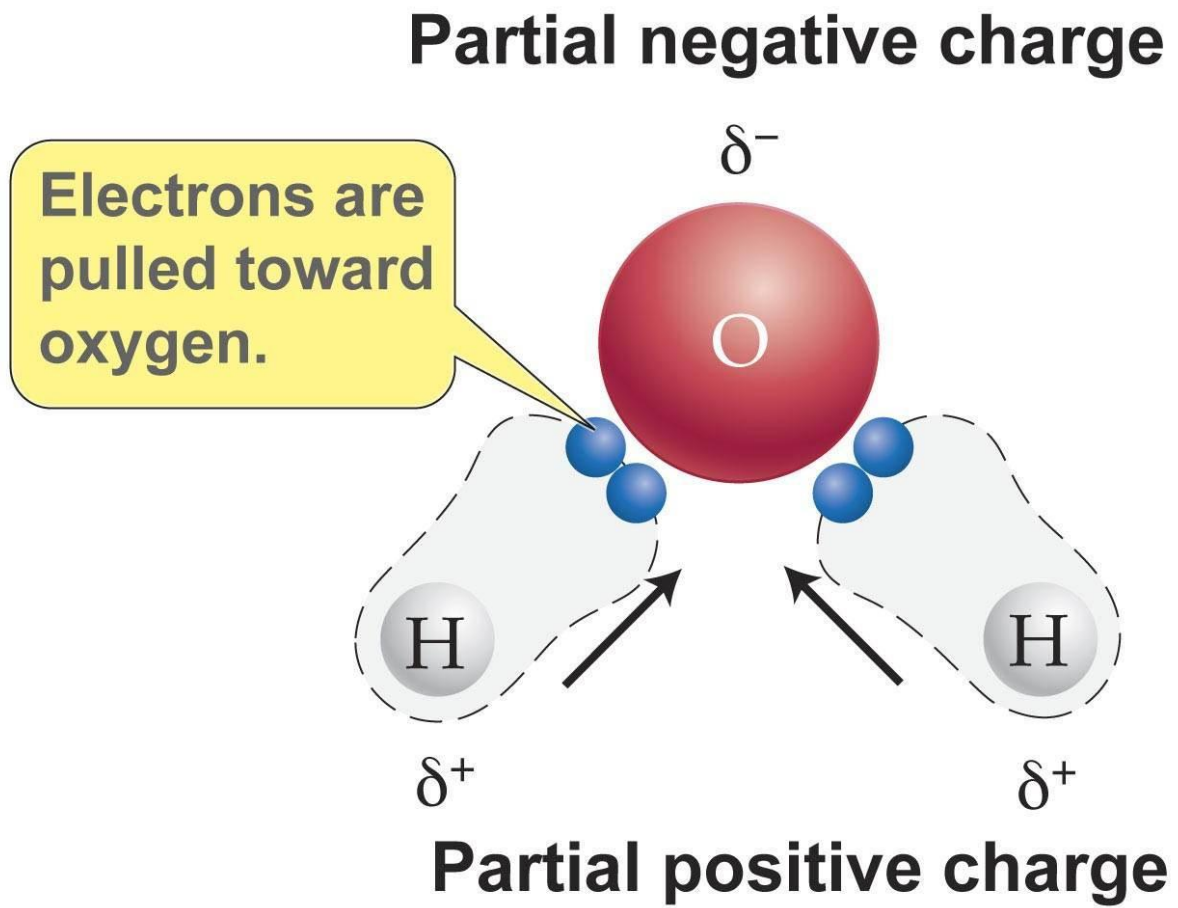


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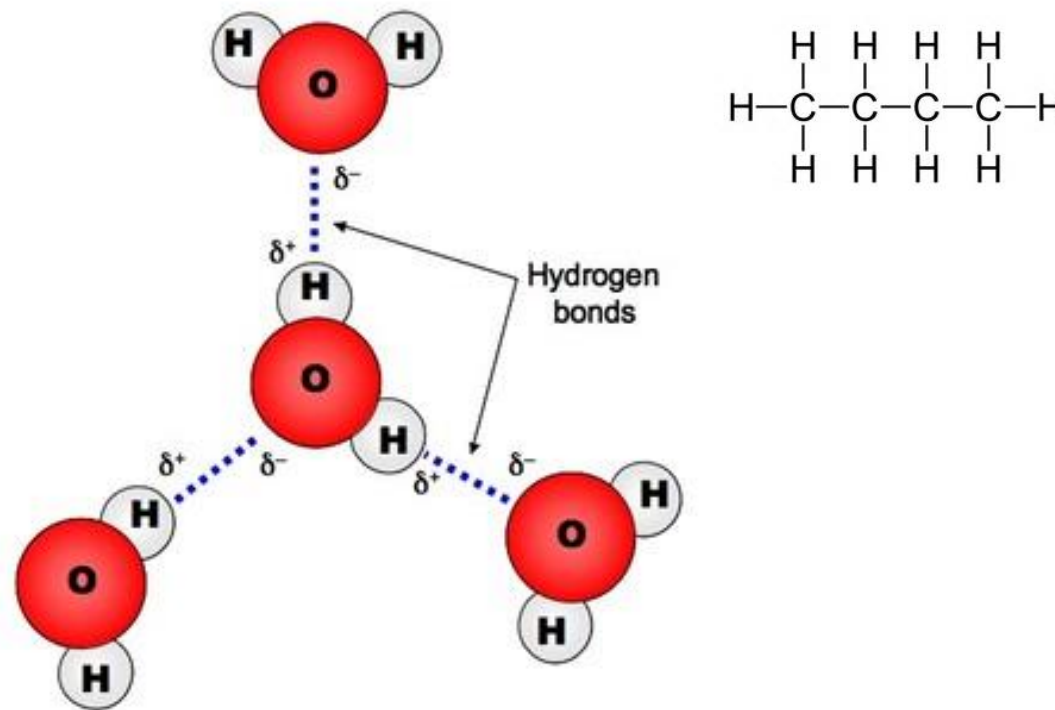
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“Like dissolves like”

Solvent	Solute	Is Solution Likely?
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Polar H₂O	Nonpolar Alkanes	No
Nonpolar	Polar	No
Nonpolar	Nonpolar	Yes



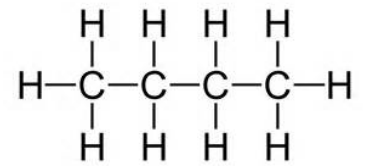
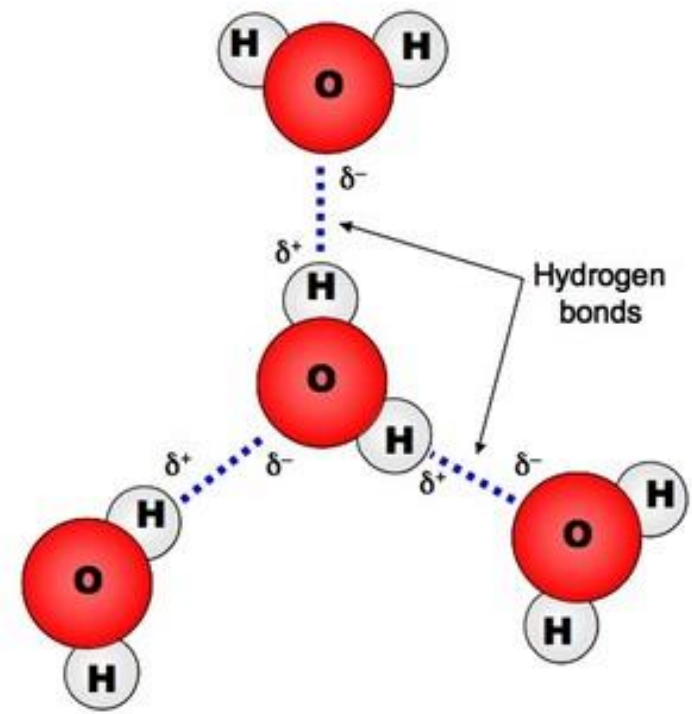
THEY WON'T MIX.... BUT WHY?



Alkanes

- C₃-C₈ have low water solubility due to being nonpolar molecules
- Why can't alkanes dissolve in water???

<u>Intermolecular Forces</u>		
Type	Strength	Present in:
London Dispersion	Weak	all molecules and atoms
Dipole-Dipole	Moderate	polar molecules
Hydrogen bonds	Strong	H-F, H-N, H-O molecules




Alkanes can't break the intermolecular forces in the water so that the alkanes can fit between the water molecules.

Alkanes

- Higher molecular weight hydrocarbons absorb into the soil

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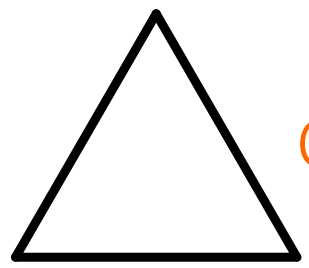
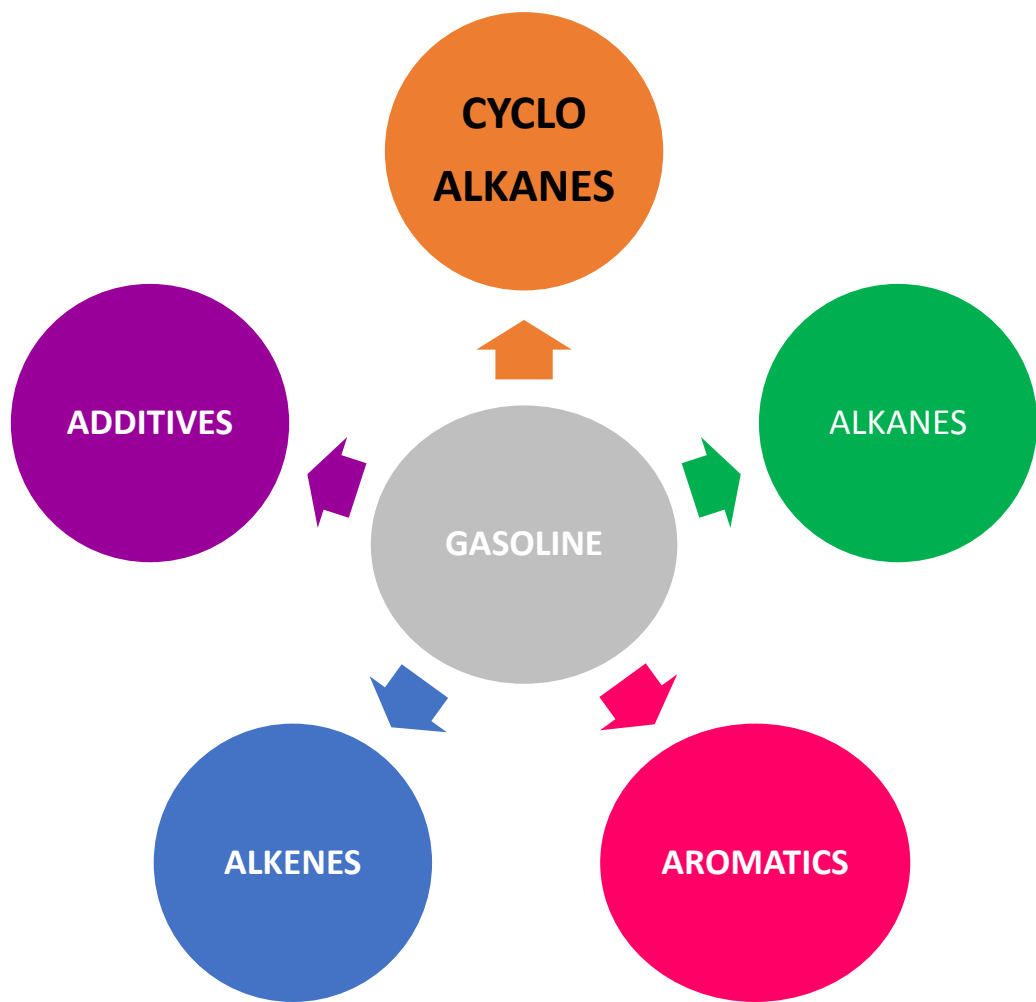
Alkanes

- What is present in the soil?
 - Microorganisms (bacteria, yeasts, fungi, etc.) love linear alkanes (C₁₀-C₂₂)
 - Ideal pH, temperature, O₂ levels, salinity

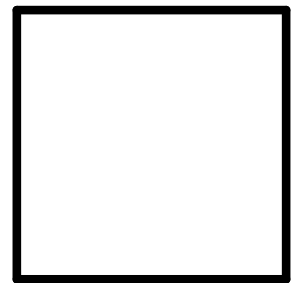
Bioremediation

Gasoline

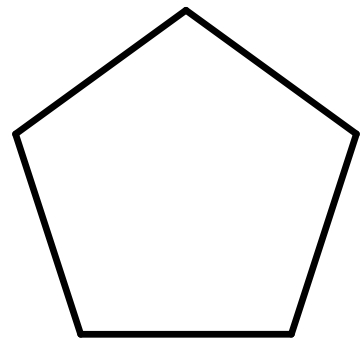
Cycloalkanes



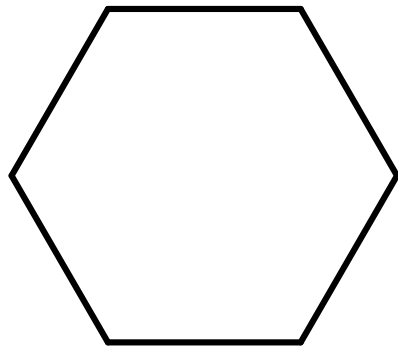
Cyclopropane



Cyclobutane



Cyclopentane

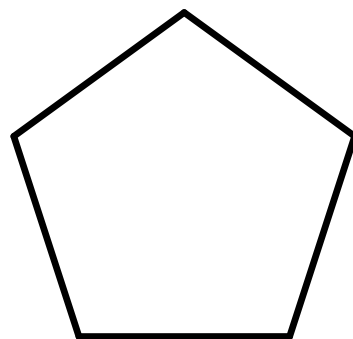
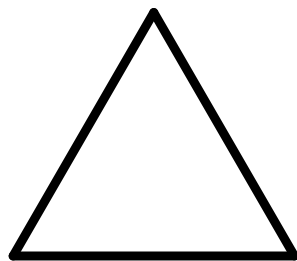


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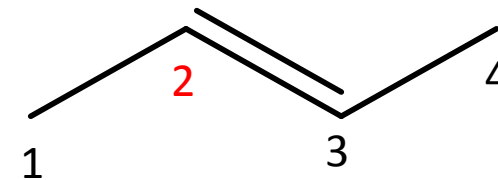
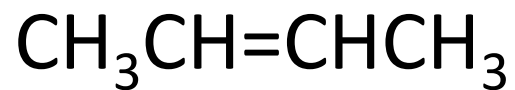
- Cycloalkanes are very similar to the alkanes in reactivity, except for the very small ones - especially cyclopropane.
 - The reason has to do with the bond angles in the ring. Normally, when carbon forms four single bonds, the bond angles are about 109.5° . In cyclopropane, they are 60° .



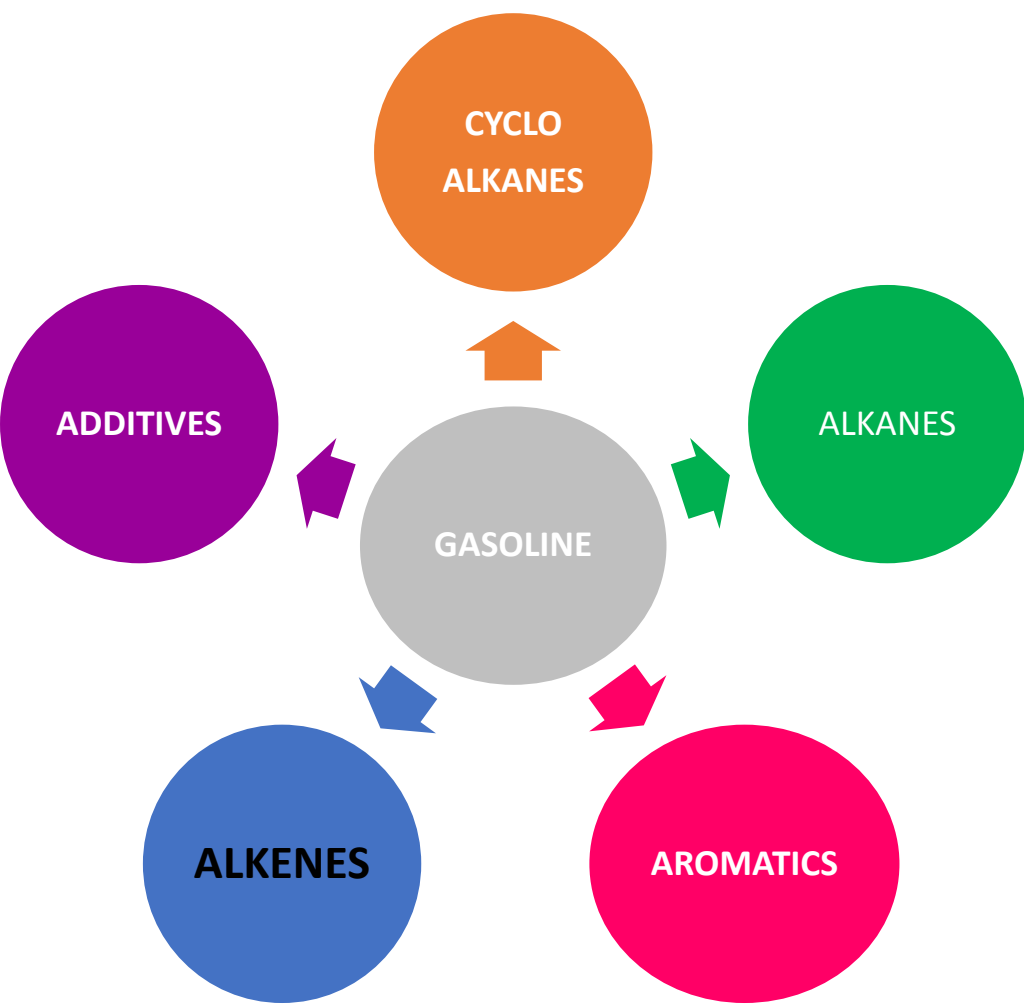
- Cycloalkanes are also nonpolar and do not have intermolecular hydrogen bonding; they are usually hydrophobic (meaning they do not dissolve in water) and are less dense than water.

Gasoline

Alkenes



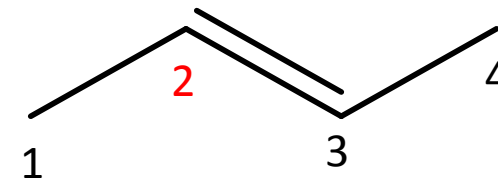
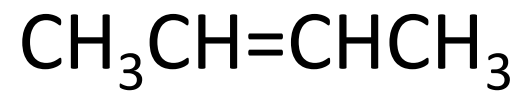
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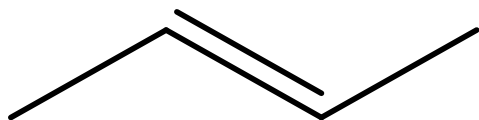
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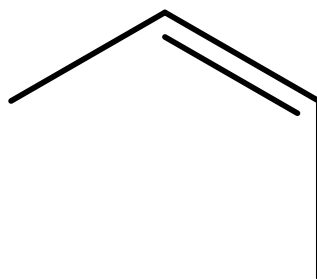
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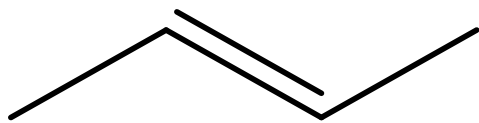
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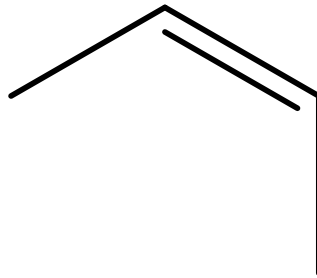
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Alkenes

- Cis vs. Trans alkenes



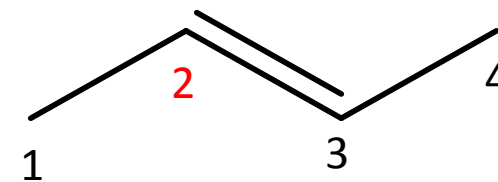
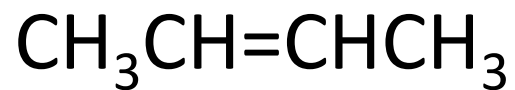
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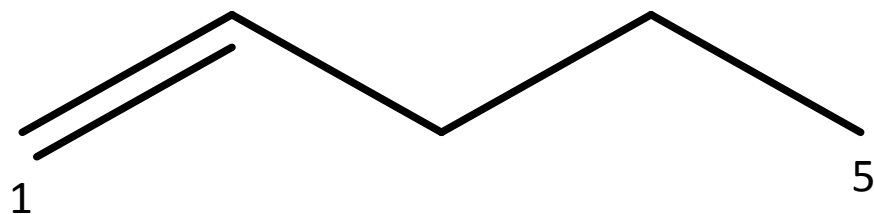
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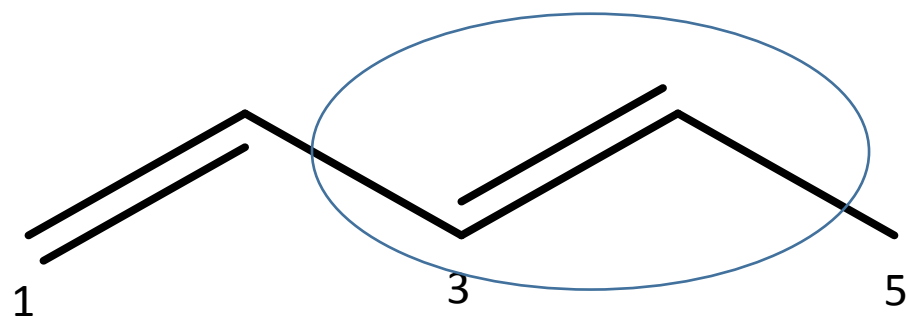
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1-pentene



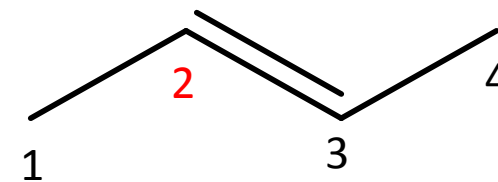
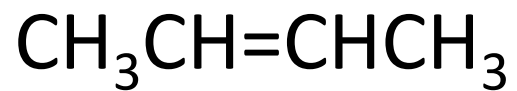
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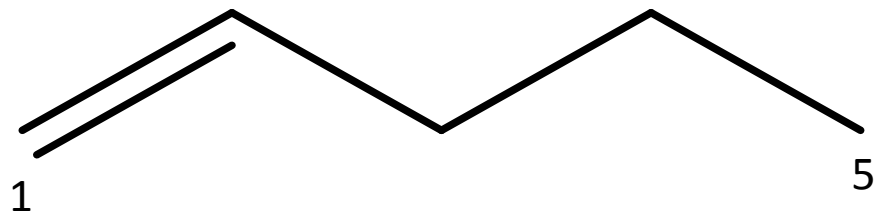
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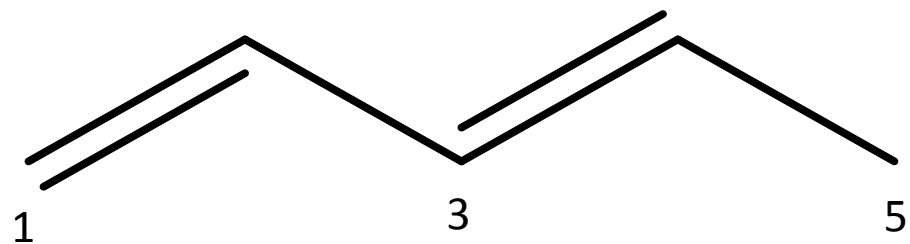
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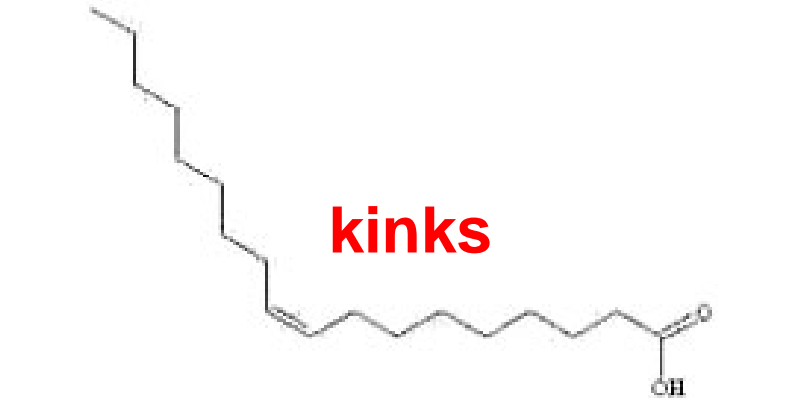

1-pentene



1-trans-3-pentadiene

Fatty Acids



Type	Structure	Source
Saturated fatty acid		Animal fat
Unsaturated fatty acid (<i>cis</i> double bond)		Olive oil
Unsaturated fatty acid (<i>trans</i> double bond)		Partially hydrogenated oils



1
Healthy
Artery



2
Cholesterol
Particles



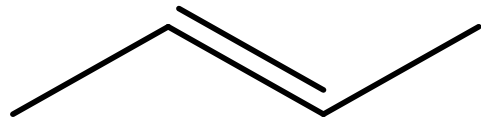
3
Plaque
Forms



4
Build-Up
Begins

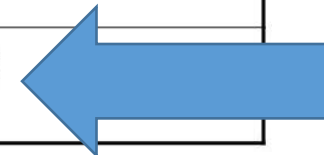
Alkenes

- Sometimes called olefins
- Most alkenes like to absorb into the soil
 - Nonpolar compounds



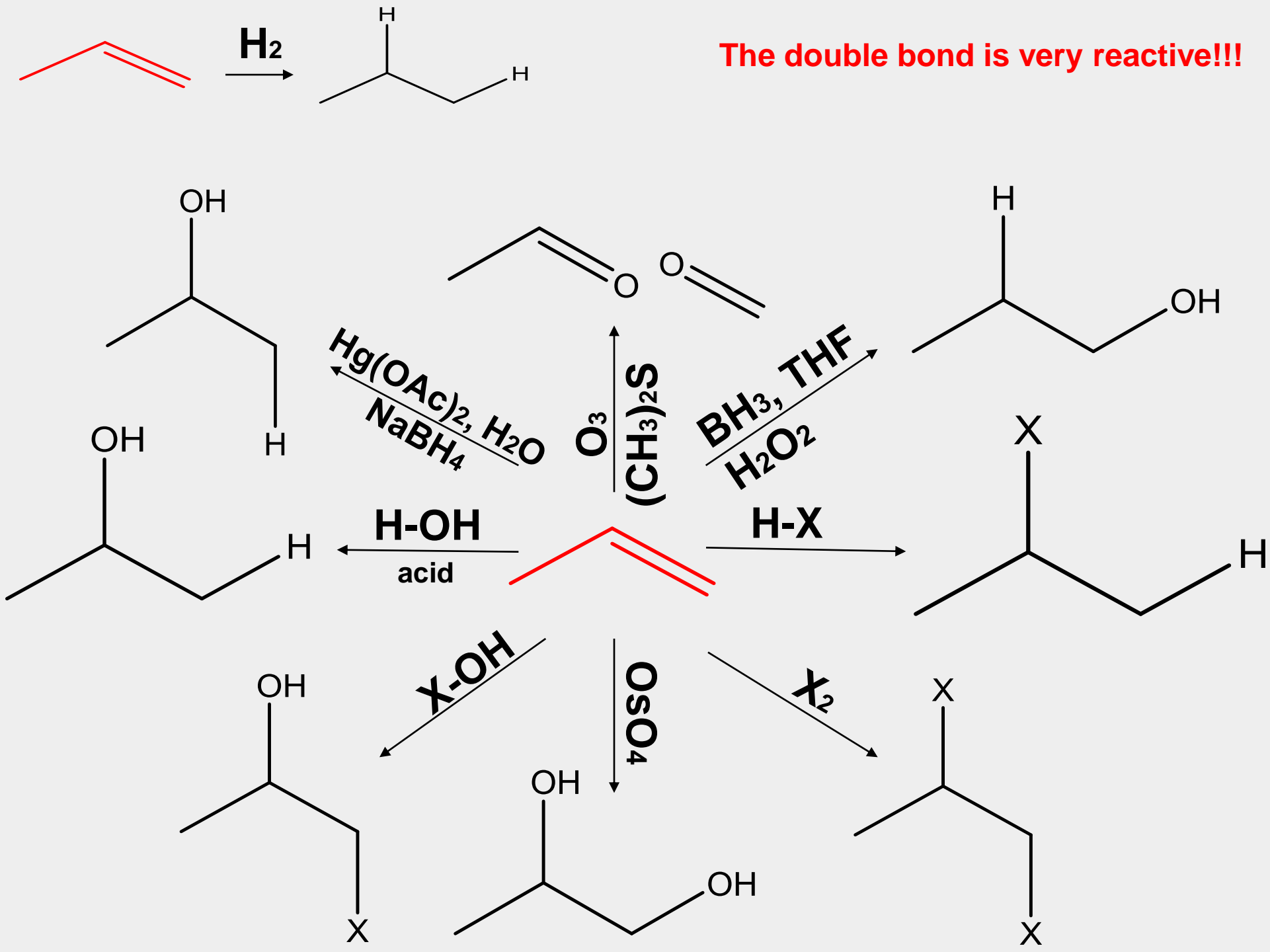
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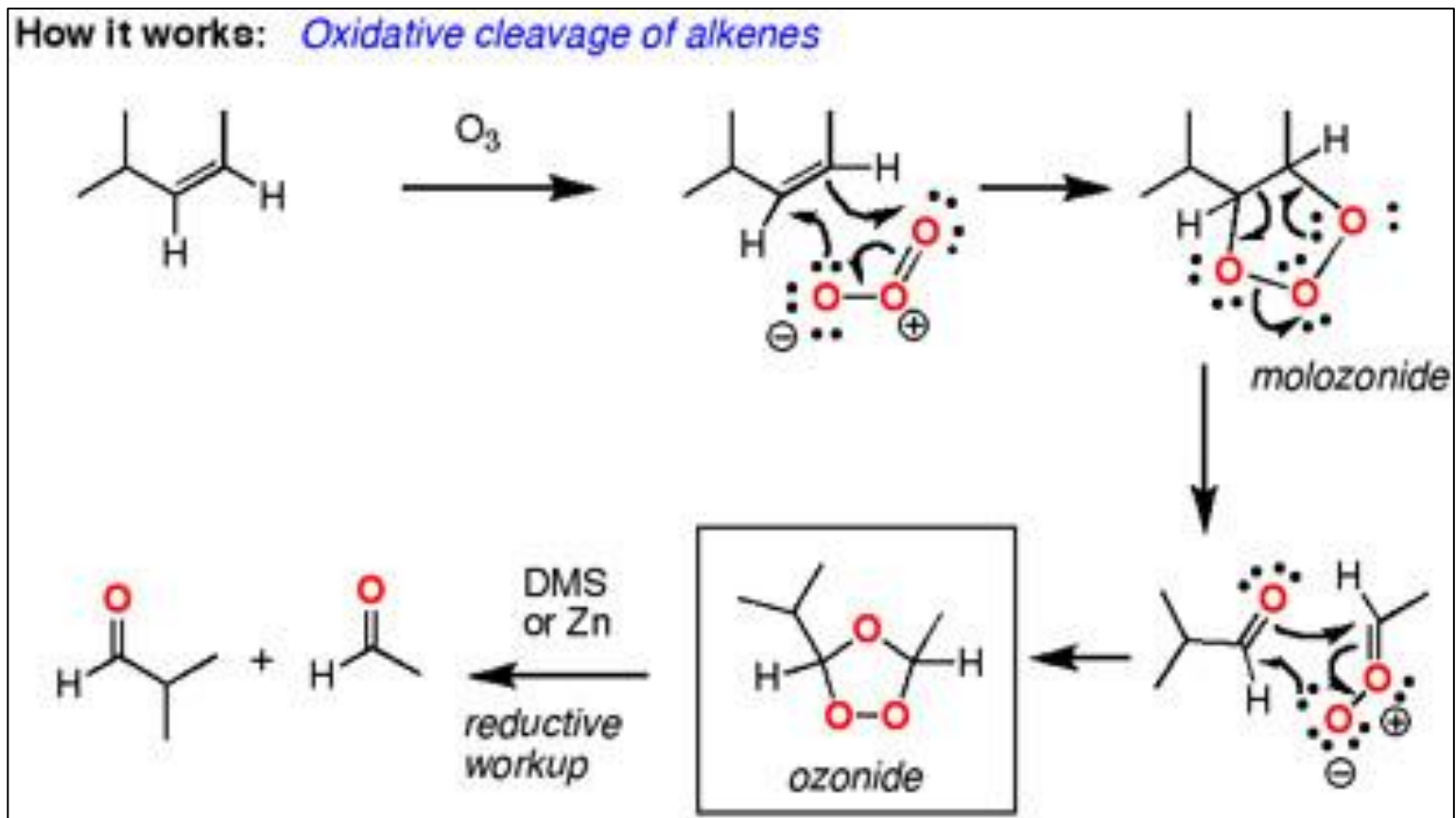


The double bond is very reactive!!!











Alkenes

- Small MW alkenes are oxidized by O_3 (ozonolysis - fast reaction)

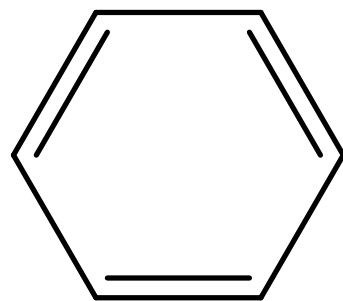
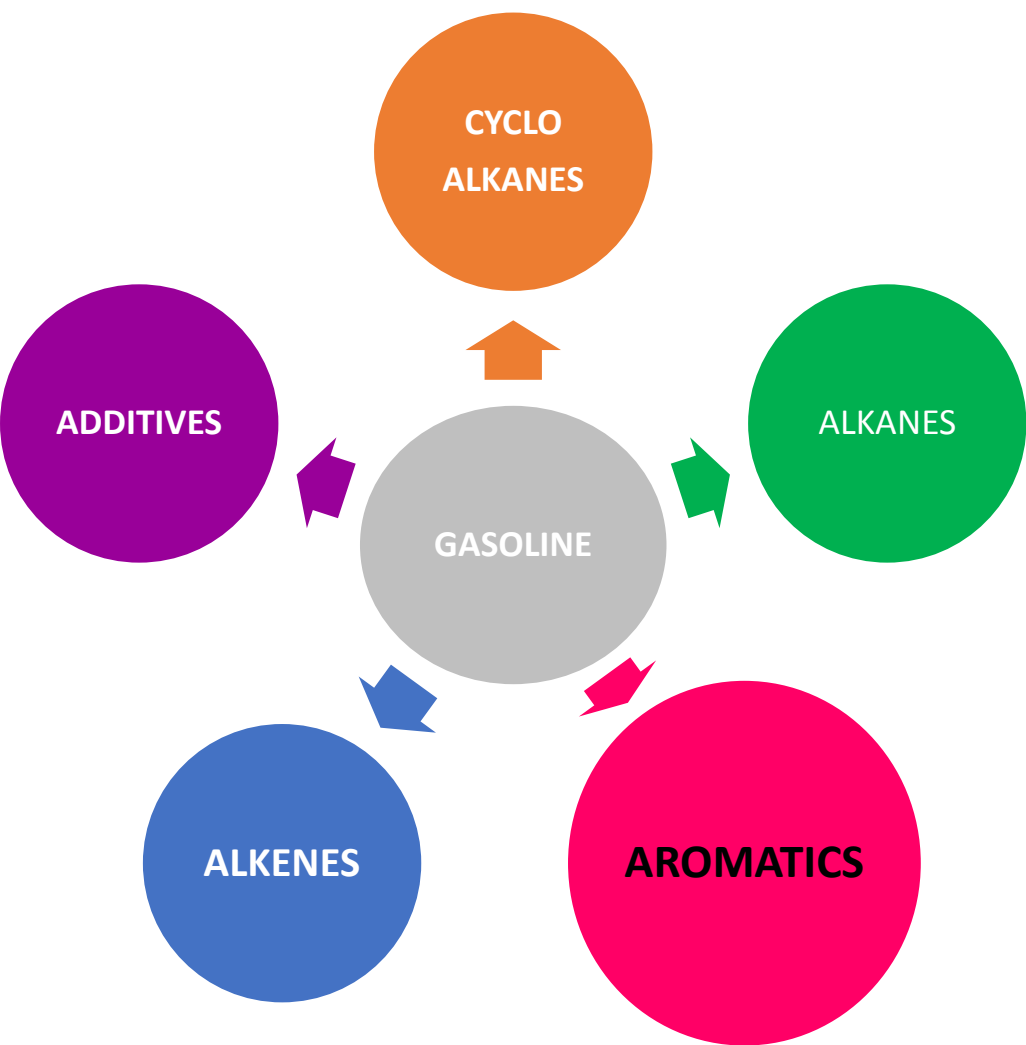


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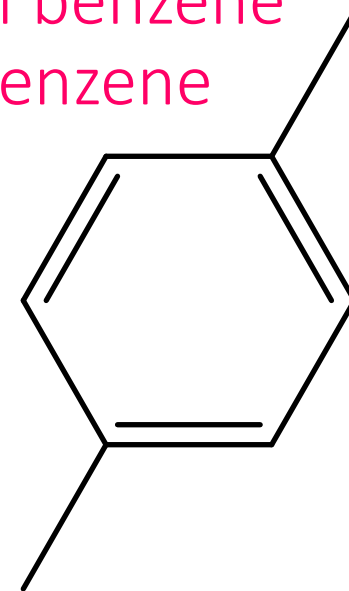
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2-methyl-1,3-butadiene	68.1	0.0000	0.0000	0
n-pentane	72.2	0.0586	0.0095	0
 trans-2-pentene	70.1	0.0000	0.0017	0
 2-methyl-2-butene	70.1	0.0044	0.0021	0
 2-methyl-1,2-butadiene	68.1	0.0000	0.0010	0
 3,3-dimethyl-1-butene	84.2	0.0049	0.0000	0
cyclopentane	70.1	0.0000	0.0046	0.0738
3-methyl-1-pentene	84.2	0.0000	0.0000	0
2,3-dimethylbutane	86.2	0.0730	0.0044	0
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Aromatics

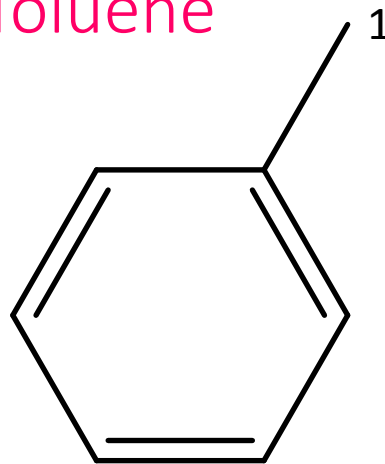


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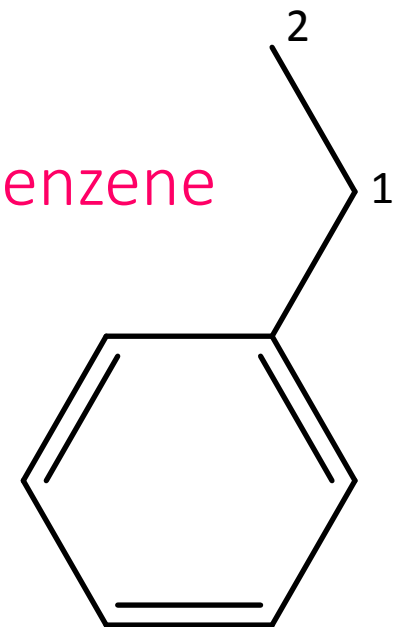
1,4-dimethyl benzene
p-dimethylbenzene
Xylene



Methyl benzene
Toluene

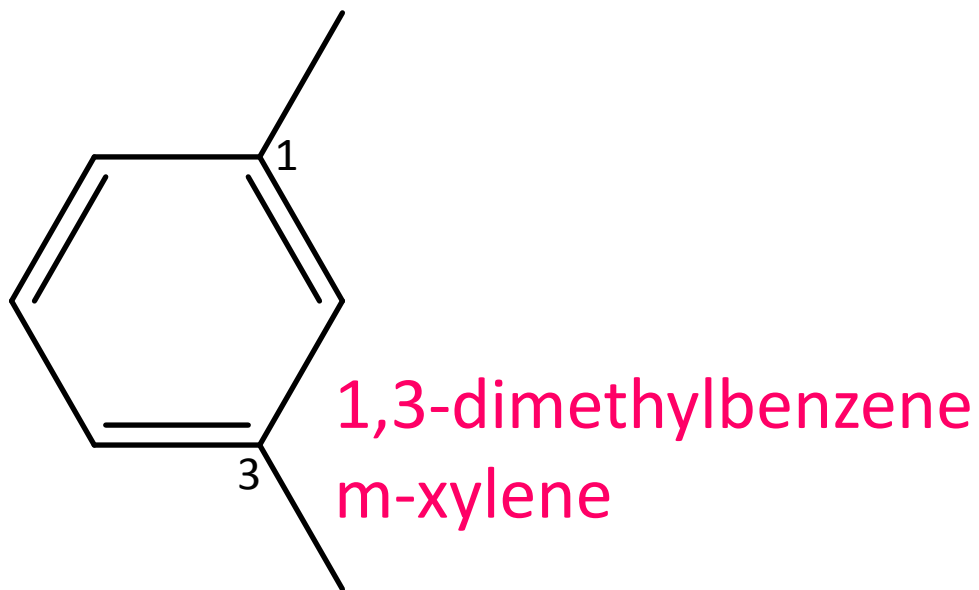
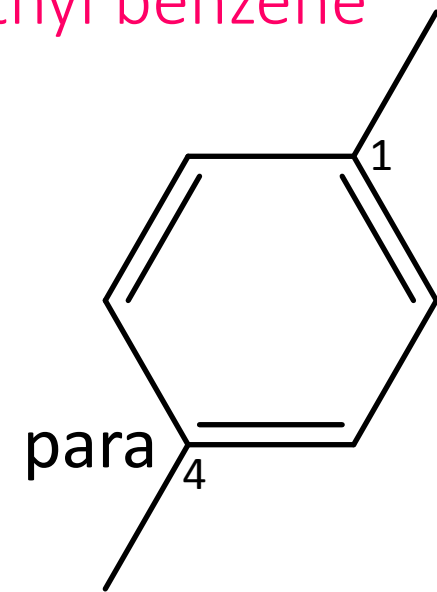
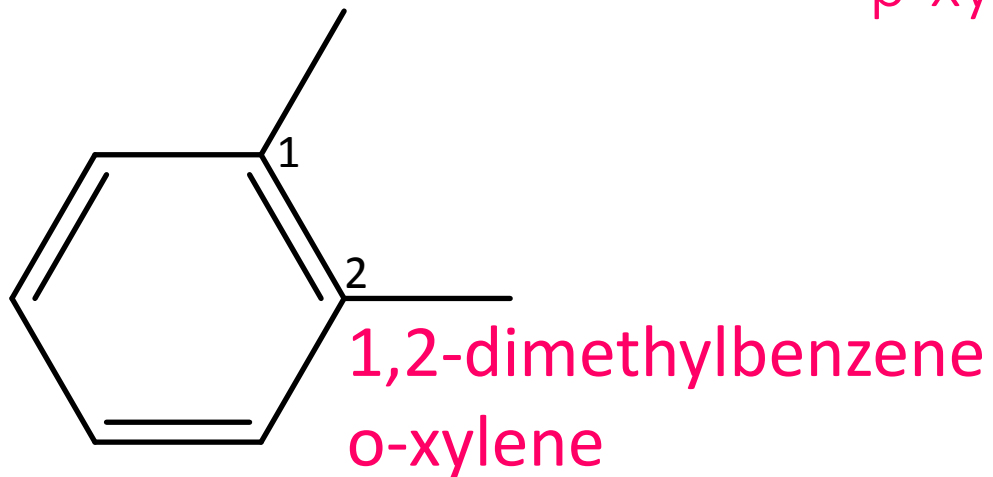
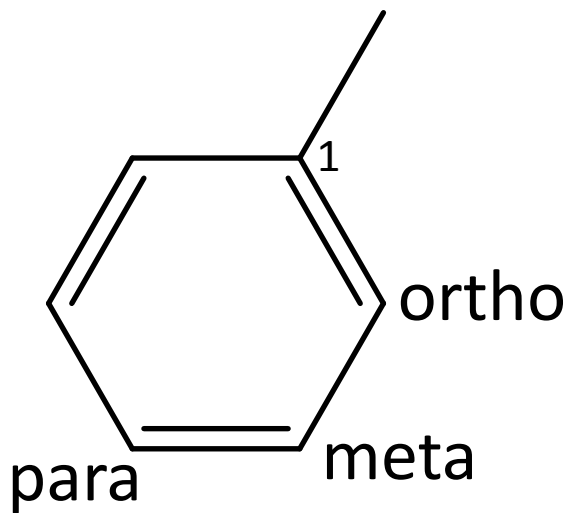


Ethyl benzene



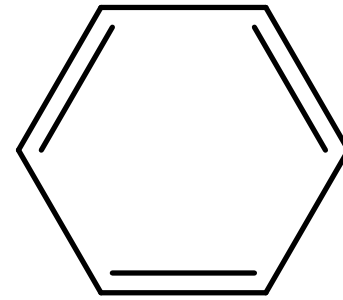
Aromatics

1,4-dimethyl benzene
Xylene
p-xylene

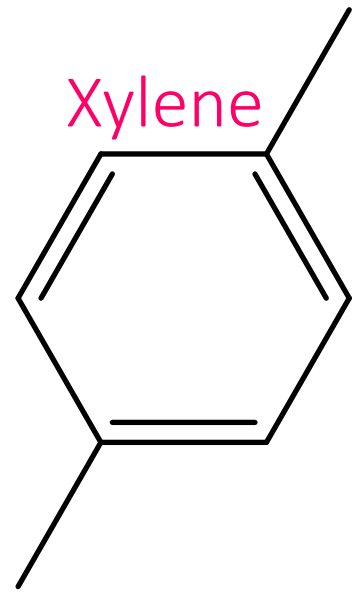


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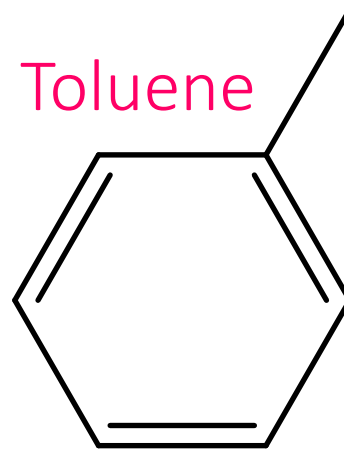
- Water soluble fractions (nonpolar, less dense than water = float)
- BTEX - Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylene are mostly associated with health issues



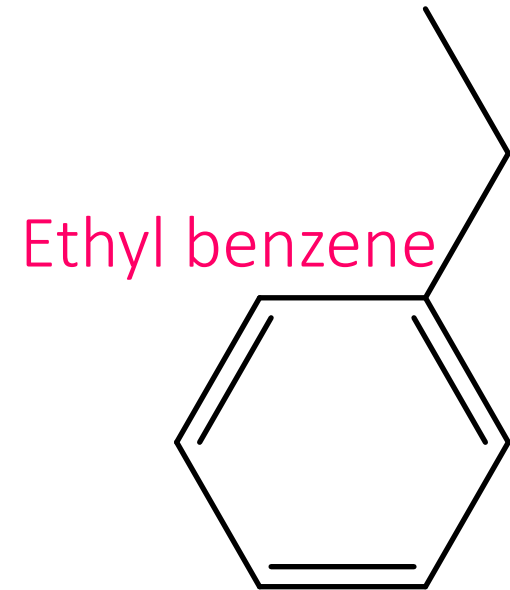
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Xylene



Toluene



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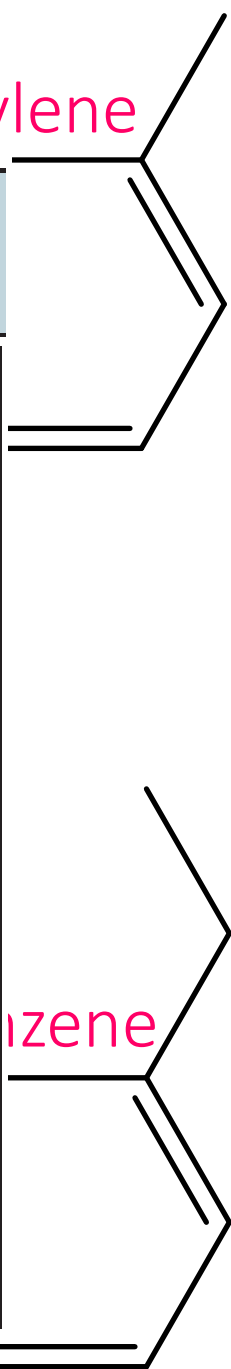
Gasoline

Low water solubility: less than 10 mg/L or 10 ppm
 Moderate water solubility: 10-1,000 mg/L or 10-1,000 ppm
 High water solubility: more than 1,000 mg/L or 1,000 ppm

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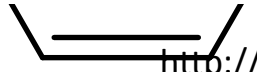
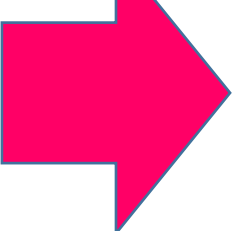
Xylene

IUPAC name ¹	Common or alternative name ²	Water solubility ³ (mg/L at 25°C)
benzene	—	1,780
1,1,1-trichloroethane	methyl chloroform	1,290
1,1,2-trichloroethene	1, 1, 2-trichloroethylene, TCE	1,280
tetrachloromethane	carbon tetrachloride	1,200
methylbenzene	toluene	531
chlorobenzene	—	495
styrene	vinyl benzene	321
tetrachloroethene	perchloroethylene, tetrachloroethylene, PCE	210
1,2-dimethylbenzene	<i>o</i> -xylene	207
1,4-dimethylbenzene	<i>p</i> -xylene	181
1,3-dimethylbenzene	<i>m</i> -xylene	161

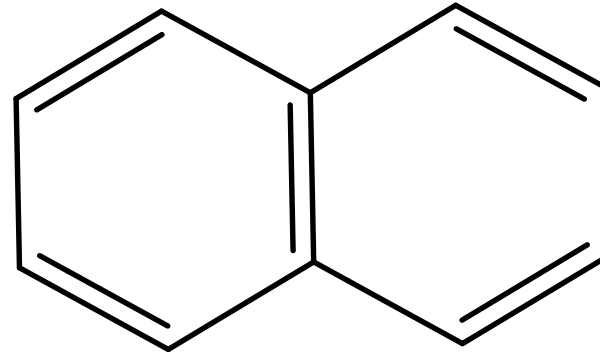
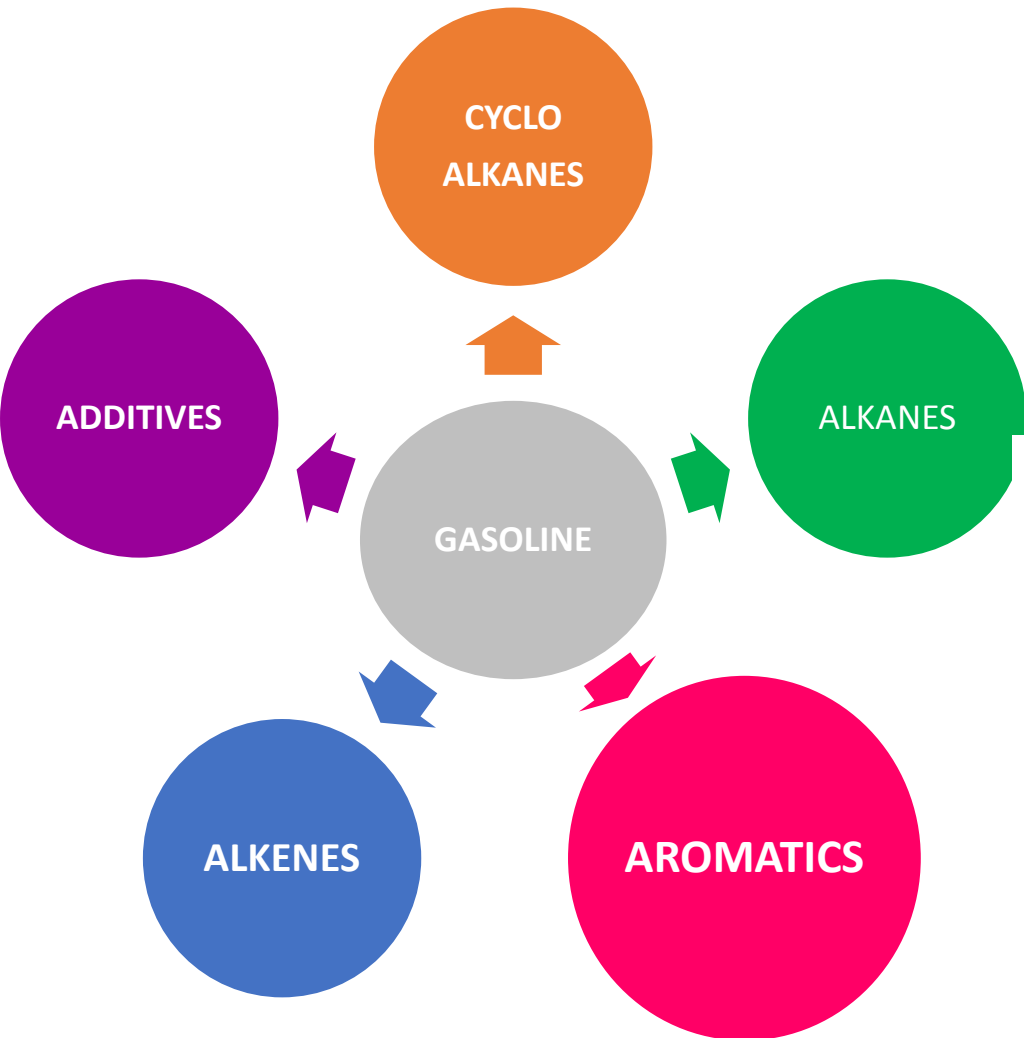


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Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)



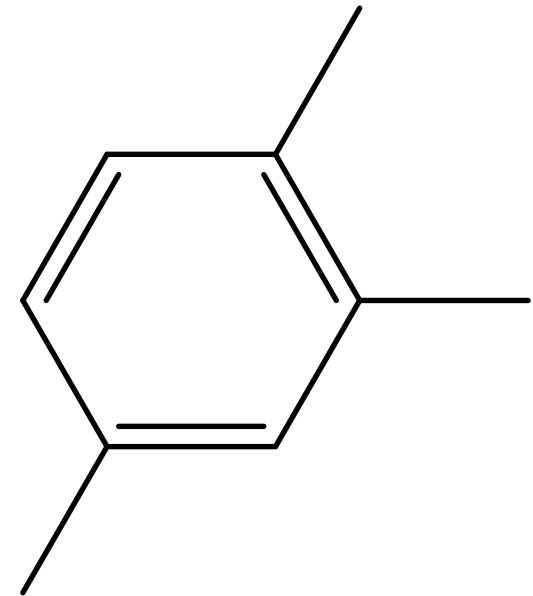
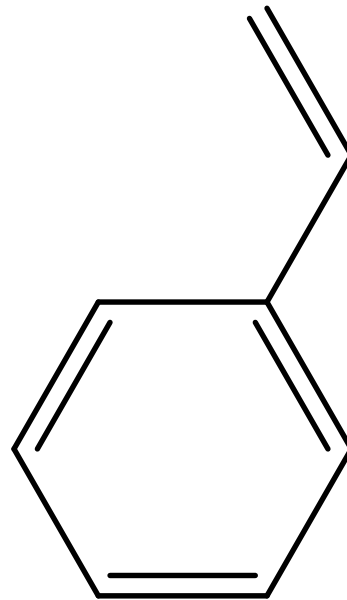
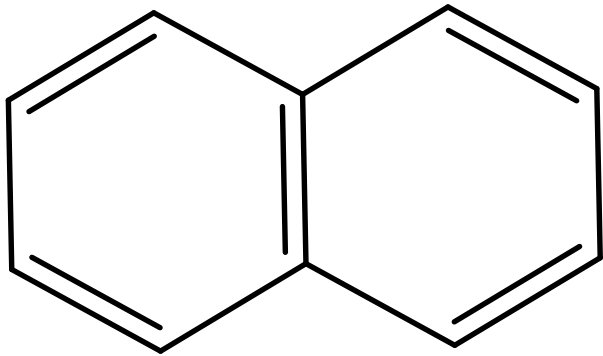
Naphthalene

IUPAC name ¹	Common or alternative name ²	Water solubility ³ (mg/L at 25°C)
naphthalene	naphthene	631.0

Low water solubility: less than 10 mg/L or 10 ppm
Moderate water solubility: 10-1,000 mg/L or 10-1,000 ppm
High water solubility: more than 1,000 mg/L or 1,000 ppm

Aromatics

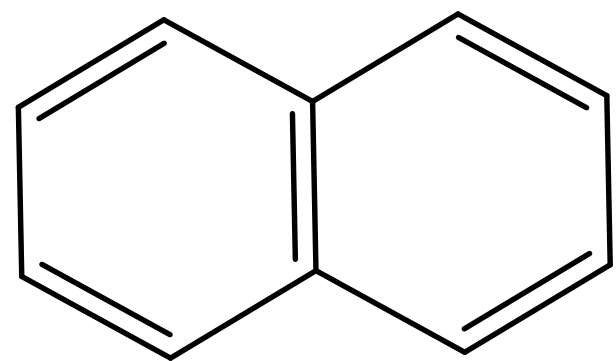
- Higher molecular weight components partition to sediments.
 - Naphthalene
 - Vinyl benzene (styrene)
 - 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene



Gasoline

Aromatics

- Higher molecular weight compounds
 - Naphthalene
 - Vinyl benzene (styrene)
 - 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene



IUPAC name ¹	Common or alternative name ²	Soil-sorption coefficient (Log K _{oc} in soil)
1,2,4-trimethylbenzene	pseudocumene	³ 3.34
1,2,3-trichlorobenzene	1,2,6-trichlorobenzene	⁴ 3.18– ³ 3.42
naphthalene	naphthene	³ 2.98
1,2,4-trichlorobenzene	1,2,4-trichlorobenzol	⁵ 2.94
vinyl benzene	styrene	² 2.72–2.74
1,2-dichlorobenzene	o-dichlorobenzene	⁶ 2.46– ⁵ 2.51
tetrachloroethene	perchloroethylene, tetrachloroethylene, PCE	⁷ 2.37
ethylbenzene	—	⁵ 2.22
1,1-dichloroethene	1,1-dichloroethylene, DCE	² 2.18
1,3-dimethylbenzene	<i>m</i> -xylene	⁷ 2.11–2.46
1,1,1-trichloroethane	methyl chloroform	⁸ 2.03
1,1,2-trichloroethene	1,1,2-trichloroethylene, TCE	⁷ 2.00
chlorobenzene	monochlorobenzene	⁵ 1.91
1,1,2-trichloroethane	methyl chloroform	⁷ 1.78–2.03
tetrachloromethane	carbon tetrachloride	⁹ 1.78
methylbenzene	toluene	⁷ 1.75– ¹⁰ 2.28
chloroethene	vinyl chloride, chloroethylene	² 1.75
1,2-, 1,4-dimethylbenzene	<i>o</i> -xylene, <i>p</i> -xylene	² 1.68–1.83
chloroethane	ethyl chloride	⁴ 1.62
<i>cis</i> -1,2-dichloroethene	<i>cis</i> -1,2-dichloroethylene	² 1.56–1.69
1,2-dichloroethane	1,2-ethylidene dichloride, glycol dichloride	⁶ 1.52
<i>trans</i> -1,2-dichloroethene	<i>trans</i> -1,2-dichloroethylene	² 1.56–1.69
1,1-dichloroethane	1,1-ethylidene dichloride	¹² 1.52
benzene	—	⁵ 1.49– ⁷ 1.73
methyl <i>tert</i> -butyl ether	MTBE	¹¹ 1.09

Increasing affinity for soil organic matter

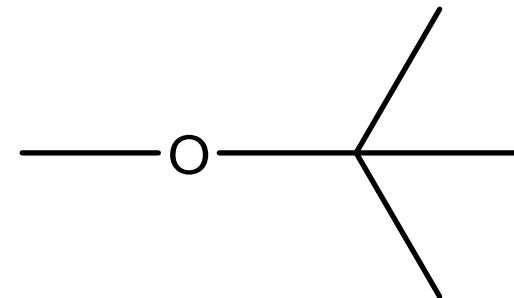
Aromatics

- Some small molecular weight compounds are oxidized by O_2 (which attacks the ring structure)
 - Oxidized slowly by O_3 (ozone)

Additives

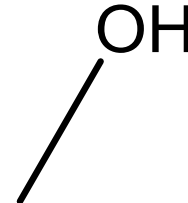
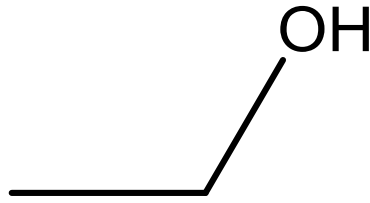
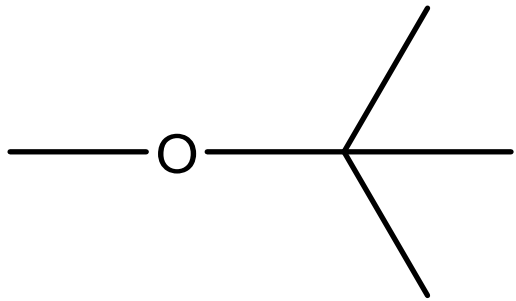


- Used to improve performance and stability of gasoline
- Typically are **oxygenates** - enriches gasoline with oxygen to improve combustion efficiency and reduction of CO emissions
- such as methyl tert-butyl ether (MTBE), ethanol, methanol, antirust agents, lubricants, detergents, dyes



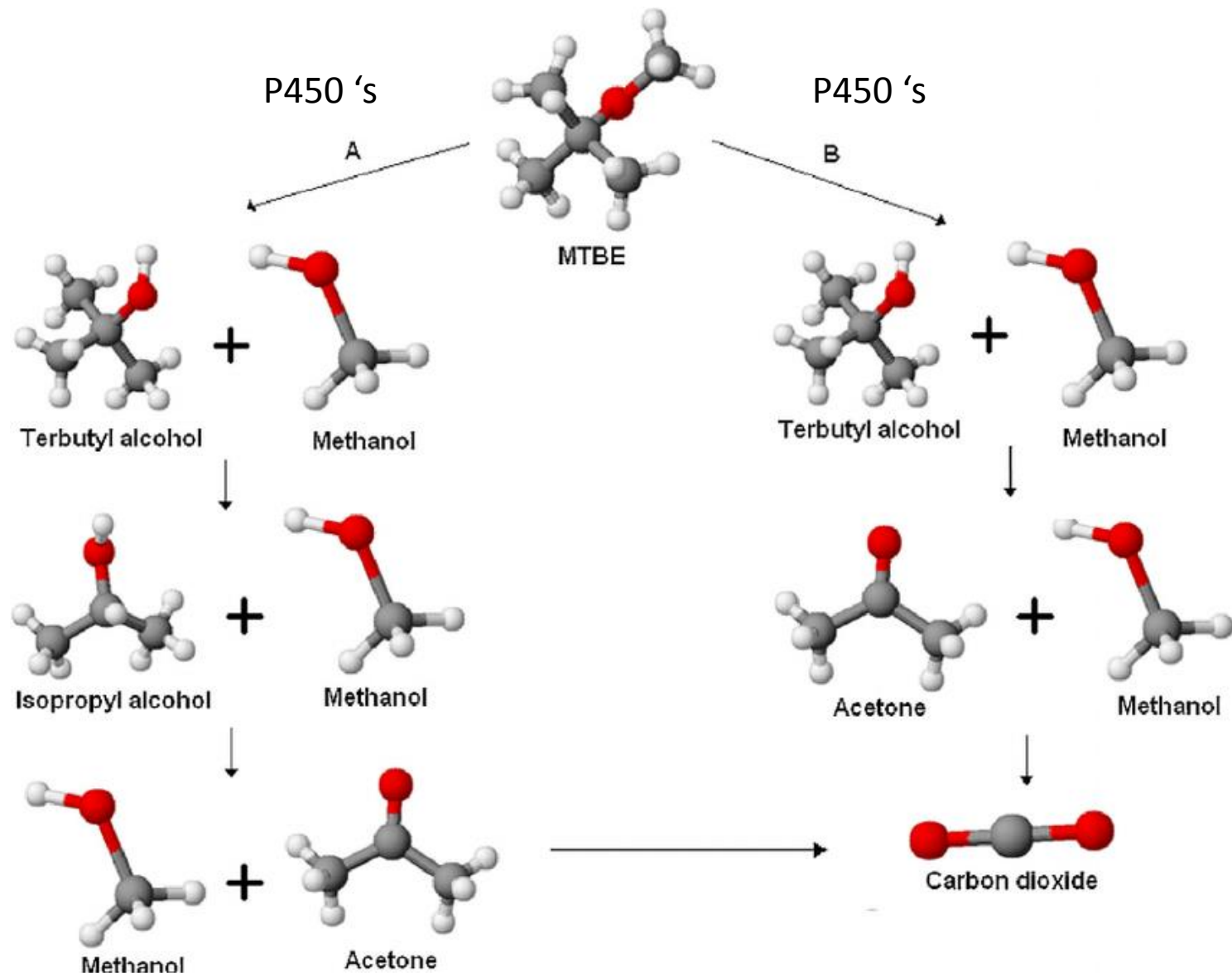
Additives

- methyl tert-butyl ether (MTBE), ethanol, methanol – water soluble because they are **POLAR**



IUPAC name ¹	Common or alternative name ²	Water solubility ³ (mg/L at 25°C)
2-methoxy-2-methylpropane	methyl <i>tert</i> -butyl ether, MTBE	36,200

Additives



Summary of gasoline's fate in the environment

1. Compound's tendency to volatilize

2. Compound's tendency to dissolve in water (polarity)

Table C-1. Default physicochemical constants for BTEXN an

Chemical/carbon range ¹	Molecular weight	Vapor pressure (atms)
Benzene	78	0.1
Ethylbenzene	106	0.01
Toluene	92	0.04
Xylenes, m-	106	0.01
Naphthalene	128	1.0×10^{-4}
C5-C8 Aliphatics	93	0.1
C9-C12 Aliphatics	149	8.7×10^{-4}
C13-C18 Aliphatics	170	1.4×10^{-4}
C19-C36 Aliphatics	280	1.1×10^{-6}
C9-C10 Aromatics	120	2.9×10^{-3}
C11-C22 Aromatics	150	3.2×10^{-5}

¹Constants for BTEXN from USEPA RSL guidance (USEPA 2014a): vapor pressures from T except C13-C18 Aliphatics (based on EC > 12-16) and C19-C36 Aliphatics (based on EC >

float (density)

in the ground (polarity)

Summary of gasoline's fate in the environment

1. Compound's tendency to volatilize
2. Compound's tendency to dissolve in water (polarity)

Table C-1. Default physicochemical constants for BTEXN and TPH carbon

Chemical/carbon range ¹	Molecular weight	Vapor pressure (atms)	Solubility in water (mg/L)
Benzene	78	0.1	1,790
Ethylbenzene	106	0.01	169
Toluene	92	0.04	526
Xylenes, m-	106	0.01	161
Naphthalene	128	1.0×10^{-4}	31
C5-C8 Aliphatics	93	0.1	11
C9-C12 Aliphatics	149	8.7×10^{-4}	0.07
C13-C18 Aliphatics	170	1.4×10^{-4}	3.5×10^{-4}
C19-C36 Aliphatics	280	1.1×10^{-6}	1.5×10^{-6}
C9-C10 Aromatics	120	2.9×10^{-3}	51
C11-C22 Aromatics	150	3.2×10^{-5}	5.8

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density)

the ground (polarity)

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Summary of gasoline's fate in the environment

1. Compound's tendency to volatilize
2. Compound's tendency to dissolve in water (polarity)
3. **Compound's tendency to sink or float (density)**
Floaters – aliphatics, olefins, cyclo's, aromatics
Sinkers – PAH's
4. Compound's tendency to dissolve in the ground (polarity)

Summary of gasoline'

1. Compound's tendency to vola
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3. Compound's tendency to sink
4. Compound's tendency to diss

“Like dissolves like”

Solvent	Solute	Is Solution Likely?
Polar	Polar	Yes
Polar	Nonpolar	No
Nonpolar	Polar	No
Nonpolar	Nonpolar	Yes

IUPAC name ¹	Common or alternative name ²	Soil-sorption coefficient (Log K _{oc} in soil)
1,2,4-trimethylbenzene	pseudocumene	³ 3.34
1,2,3-trichlorobenzene	1,2,6-trichlorobenzene	⁴ 3.18– ³ 3.42
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1,2-dichlorobenzene	o-dichlorobenzene	⁶ 2.46– ⁵ 2.51
tetrachloroethene	perchloroethylene, tetrachloroethylene, PCE	⁷ 2.37
ethylbenzene	—	⁵ 2.22
1,1-dichloroethene	1,1-dichloroethylene, DCE	² 2.18
1,3-dimethylbenzene	<i>m</i> -xylene	⁷ 2.11– ² 2.46
1,1,1-trichloroethane	methyl chloroform	⁸ 2.03
1,1,2-trichloroethene	1,1,2-trichloroethylene, TCE	⁷ 2.00
chlorobenzene	monochlorobenzene	⁵ 1.91
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chloroethene	vinyl chloride, chloroethylene	² 1.75
1,2-, 1,4-dimethylbenzene	<i>o</i> -xylene, <i>p</i> -xylene	² 1.68– ¹ 1.83
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<i>cis</i> -1,2-dichloroethene	<i>cis</i> -1,2-dichloroethylene	² 1.56– ¹ 1.69
1,2-dichloroethane	1,2-ethylidene dichloride, glycol dichloride	⁶ 1.52
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Increasing affinity for soil organic matter

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Topics

Petroleum

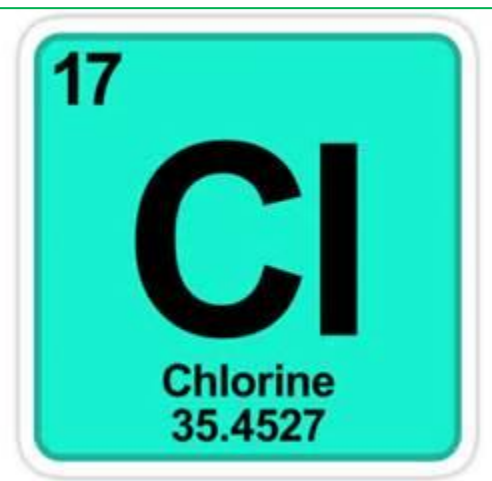
- Physical and chemical properties
 - Like dissolves like
 - Volatility
 - Polarity
 - Density
- Compare fresh vs. weathered
 - Reaction (how and why)
- Bioremediation
 - Oxidation and reduction

Chlorinated Solvents

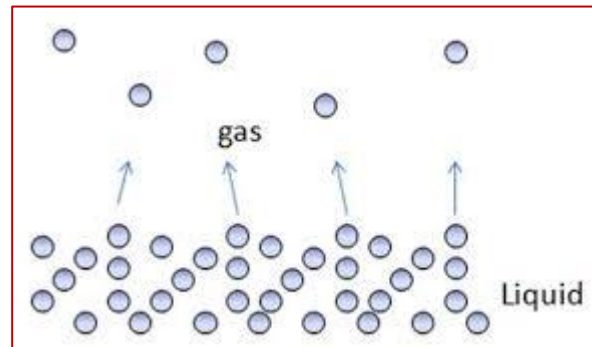
- Nomenclature
- Physical and chemical properties
- Chemical reaction, mechanism
 - How and why

Chlorinated Volatile Organic Compounds

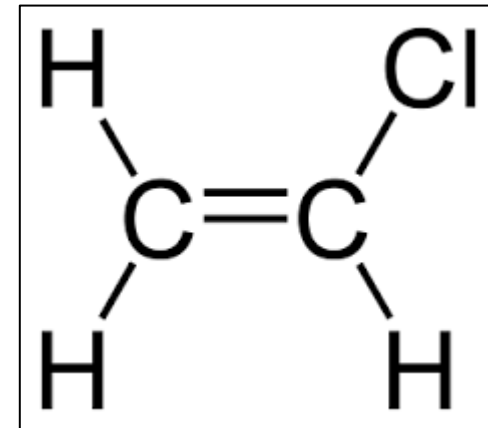
Contains chlorine



Easily evaporated at
normal temperatures

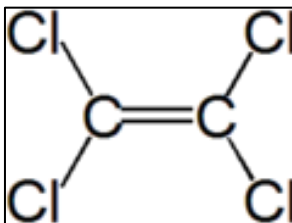
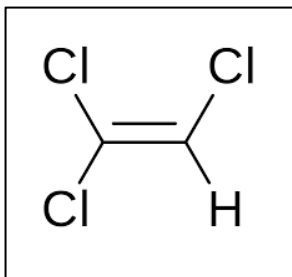
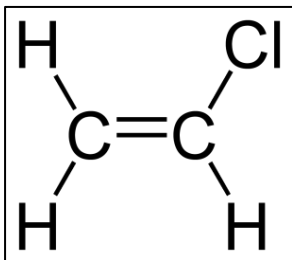


Covalent (share electrons in the
bond) molecule with carbon

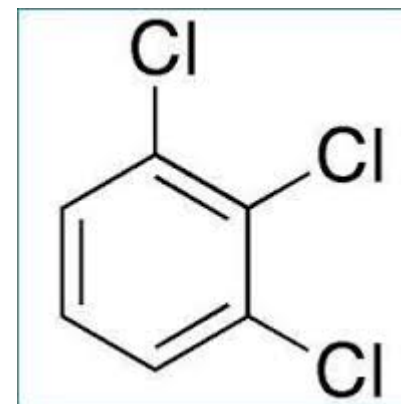
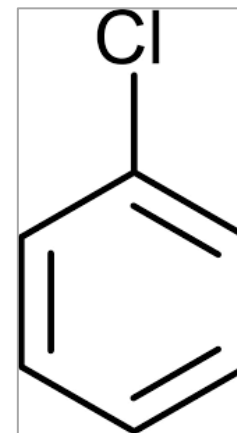


Chlorinated Solvents

Chlorinated Aliphatics



Chlorinated Aromatics

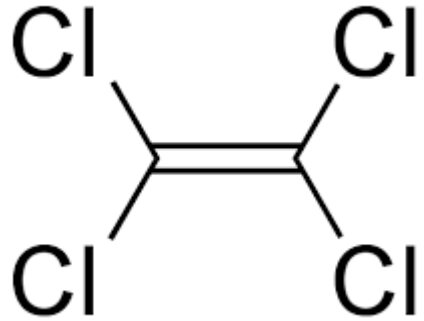


Nomenclature – IUPAC name (international union of pure and applied chemistry)

- Tetrachloroethene (perchloroethylene; PCE; PERC[®]; ethylene tetrachloride)
- 1,1,2-trichloroethene (1,1,2-trichloroethylene; TCE; acetylene trichloroethylene)
- Cis-1,2-dichloroethene (Cis-1,2-dichloroethylene; 1,2 DCE; Z-1,2-dichloroethene)
- Trans-1,2-dichloroethene (Trans-1,2-dichloroethylene; E-1,2-dichloroethene)
- 1,1-dichloroethene (1,1-dichloroethylene; DCE)
- Chloroethene (vinyl chloride; chloroethylene; monovinyl chloride; MVC)

Chlorinated Solvents

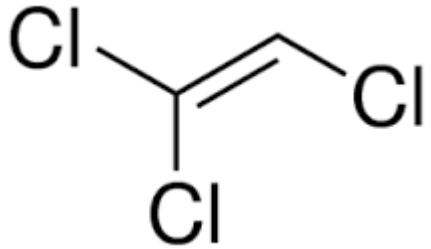
Tetrachloroethene (perchloroethylene; PCE; PERC[®]; ethylene tetrachloride)



- Heavily used in cleaning and degreasing products, processing, finishing of raw and finished textiles
- Polar or nonpolar?
 - Not very water soluble (nonpolar)
- Vaporize easily
- More dense than water → sink
 - Nonpolar nature means it is attracted to soil

Chlorinated Solvents

1,1,2-trichloroethene (1,1,2-trichloroethylene; TCE; acetylene trichloroethylene)

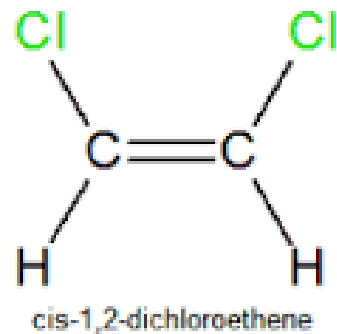
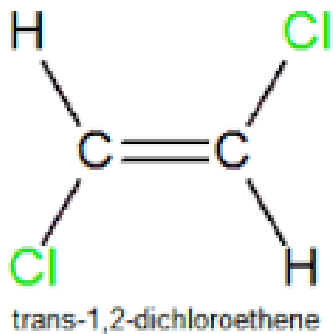


- Solvents, degreasers
- Volatile
- Polar molecule (water soluble)
- More dense than water → sink

Chlorinated Solvents

Cis-1,2-dichloroethene (Cis-1,2-dichloroethylene; 1,2 DCE; Z-1,2-dichloroethene)

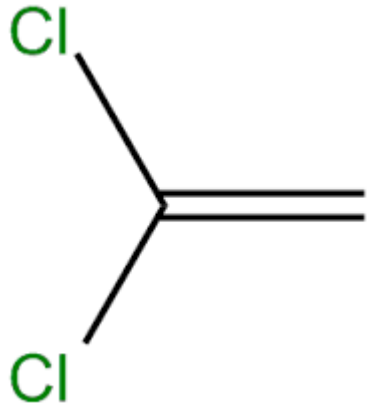
Trans-1,2-dichloroethene (Trans-1,2-dichloroethylene; E-1,2-dichloroethene)



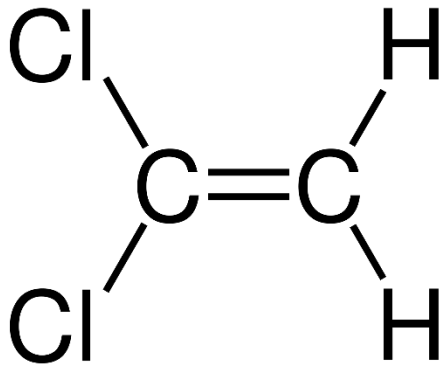
- Degradation products
- Volatile
- Polarity
 - Trans is nonpolar
 - Cis is polar
- Cis is more soluble than trans
- More dense than water → sink

Chlorinated Solvents

1,1-dichloroethene (1,1-dichloroethylene; DCE)

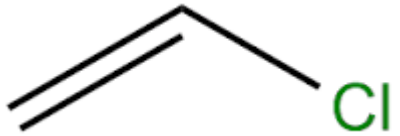


- Degradation product
- Volatile
- Polar (soluble in water)
- More dense than water → sink



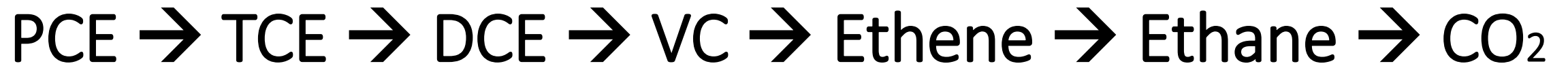
Chlorinated Solvents

Chloroethene (vinyl chloride; chloroethylene; monovinyl chloride MVC)



- Degradation product
 - As volatile as PERC®
 - Polar (water soluble)
 - More dense than water → sink
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- PCE > 1,1-DCE > TCE > VC > cis (affinity for soil matter)

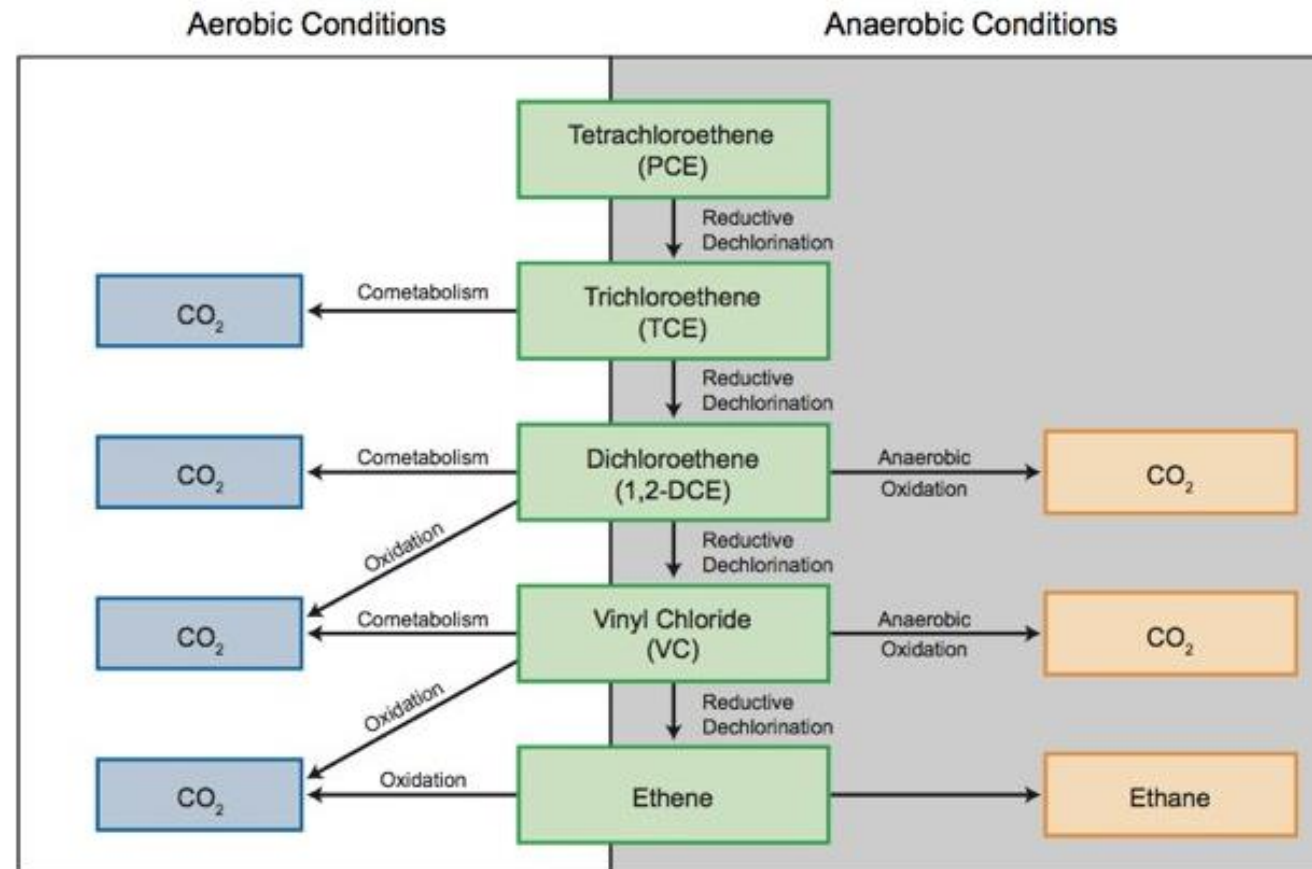
Degradation of Chlorinated VOCs



- Most organic compounds degrade but the speed is determined by:
 - Presence of ENERGY HUNGRY microorganisms
 - Environmental conditions (temperature, oxygen, soil composition)

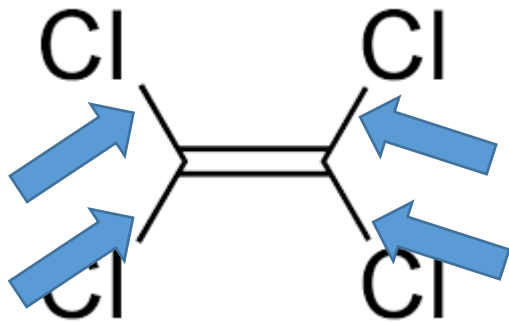
Degradation of Chlorinated VOCs

- The most common method is [microbial reductive dechlorination](#) under anaerobic conditions (PCE and TCE are favored)
- Biodegradation of TCE, DCE's, and VC can also proceed via oxidation pathways under aerobic conditions



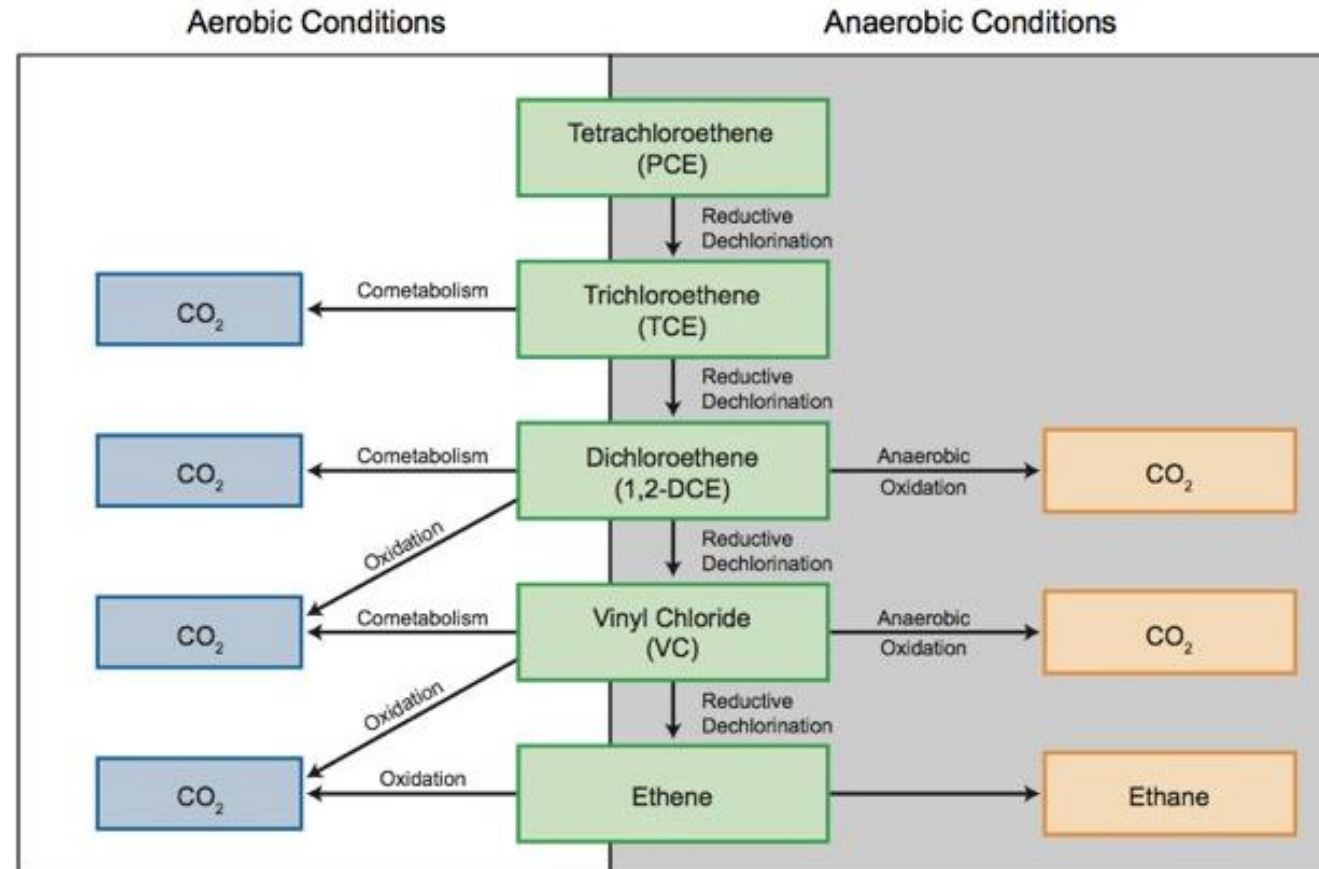
Degradation of Chlorinated VOCs

- **Why** do certain bacteria like PERC[®]?



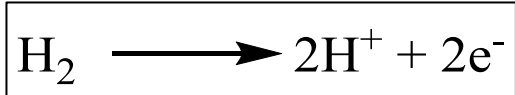
Four C-Cl bonds have a ton of energy stored in the bonds.

Bacteria are **ENERGY HUNGRY!!!**

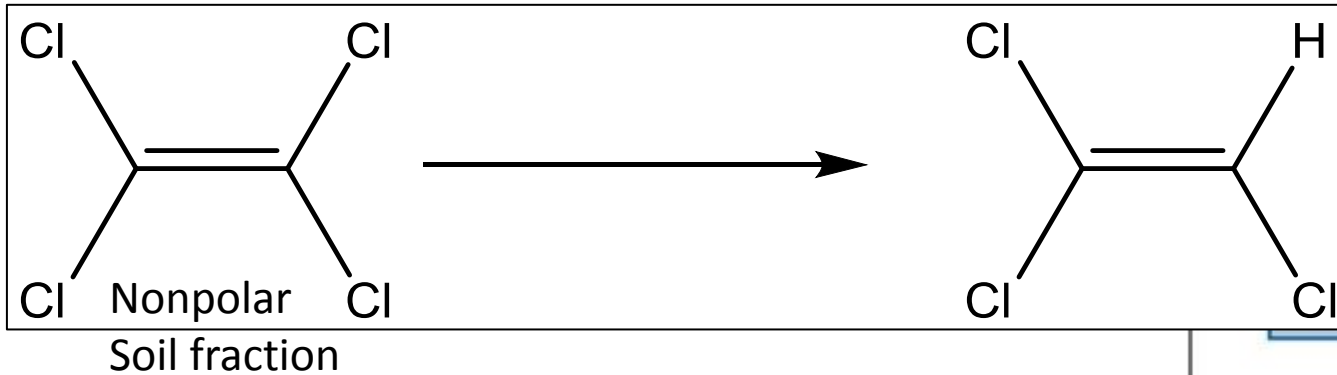


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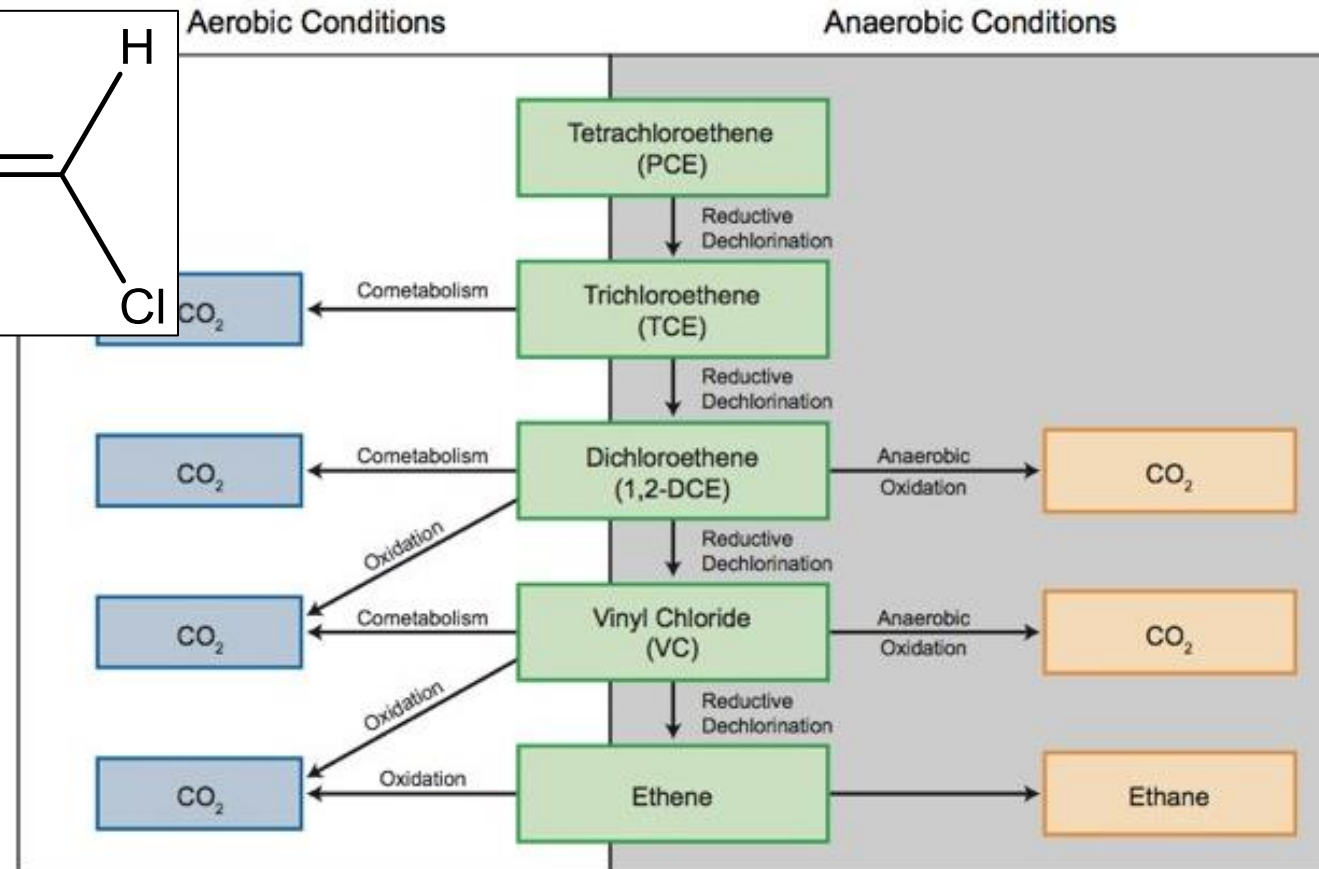
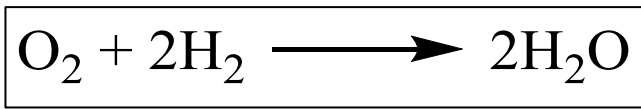
- **Why** is the first step anaerobic?



- Hydrogen gas is a byproduct of fermentation (naturally present in soil)



If oxygen is present:



Degradation of Chlorinated VOCs

- **How** does PCE breakdown to TCE?

Oxidation
and
Reduction

LEO the lion says **GER!**



Loss of **E**lectrons is **O**xidation.
Gain of **E**lectrons is **R**eduction.

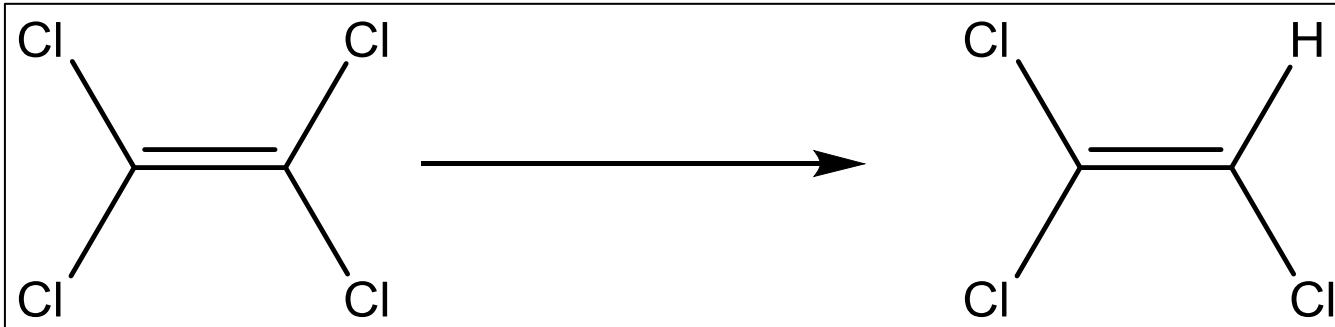
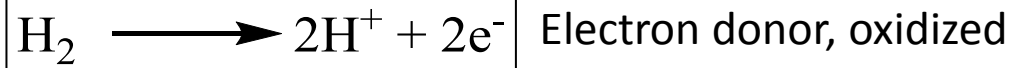
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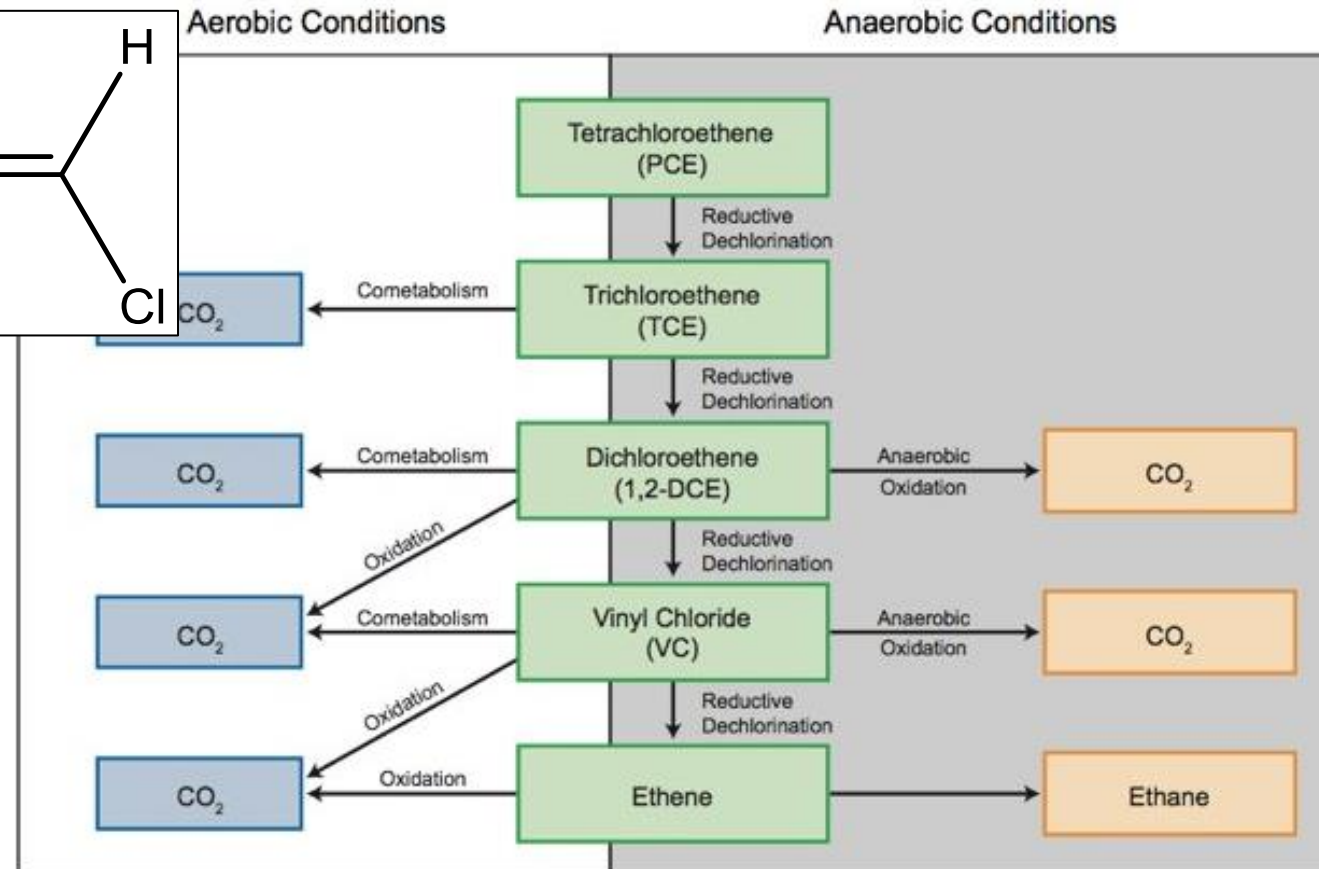
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Reduction **I**s **G**ain of electrons.

Degradation of Chlorinated VOCs

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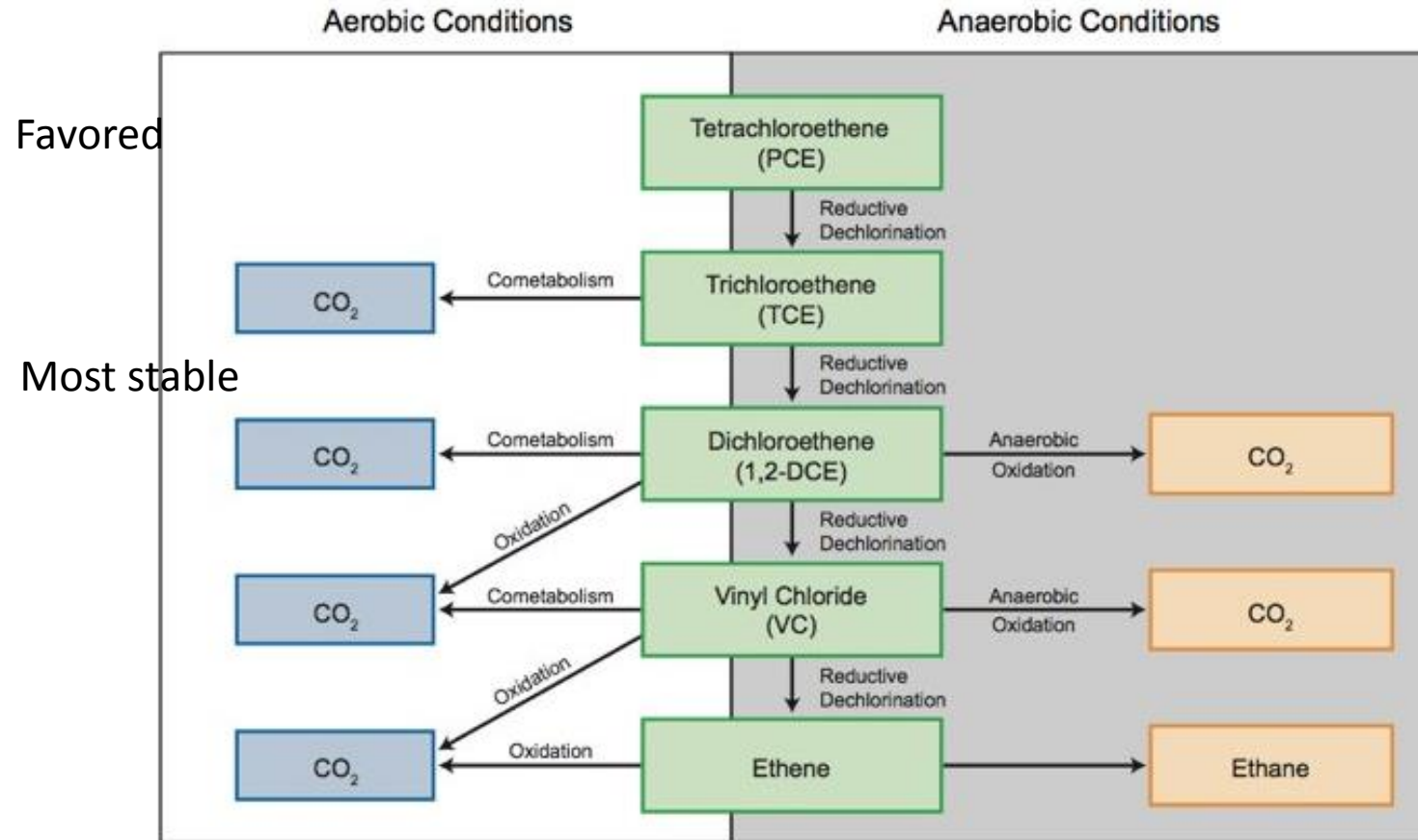
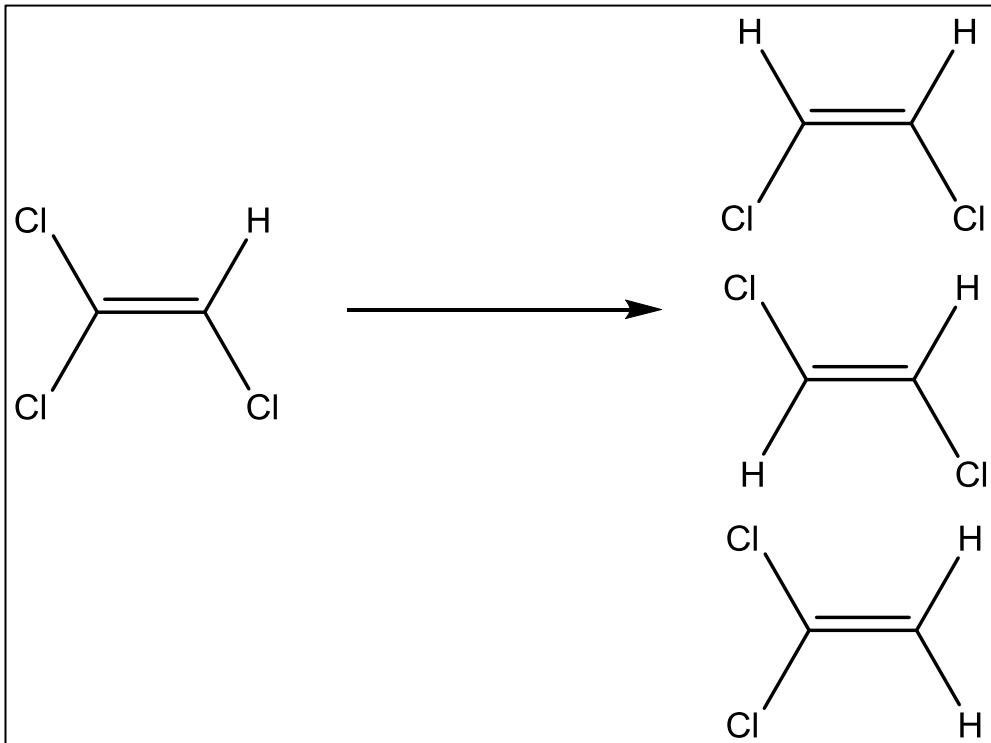
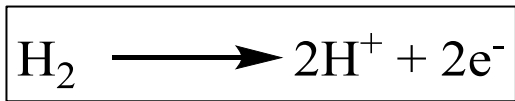


Electron acceptor, reduced



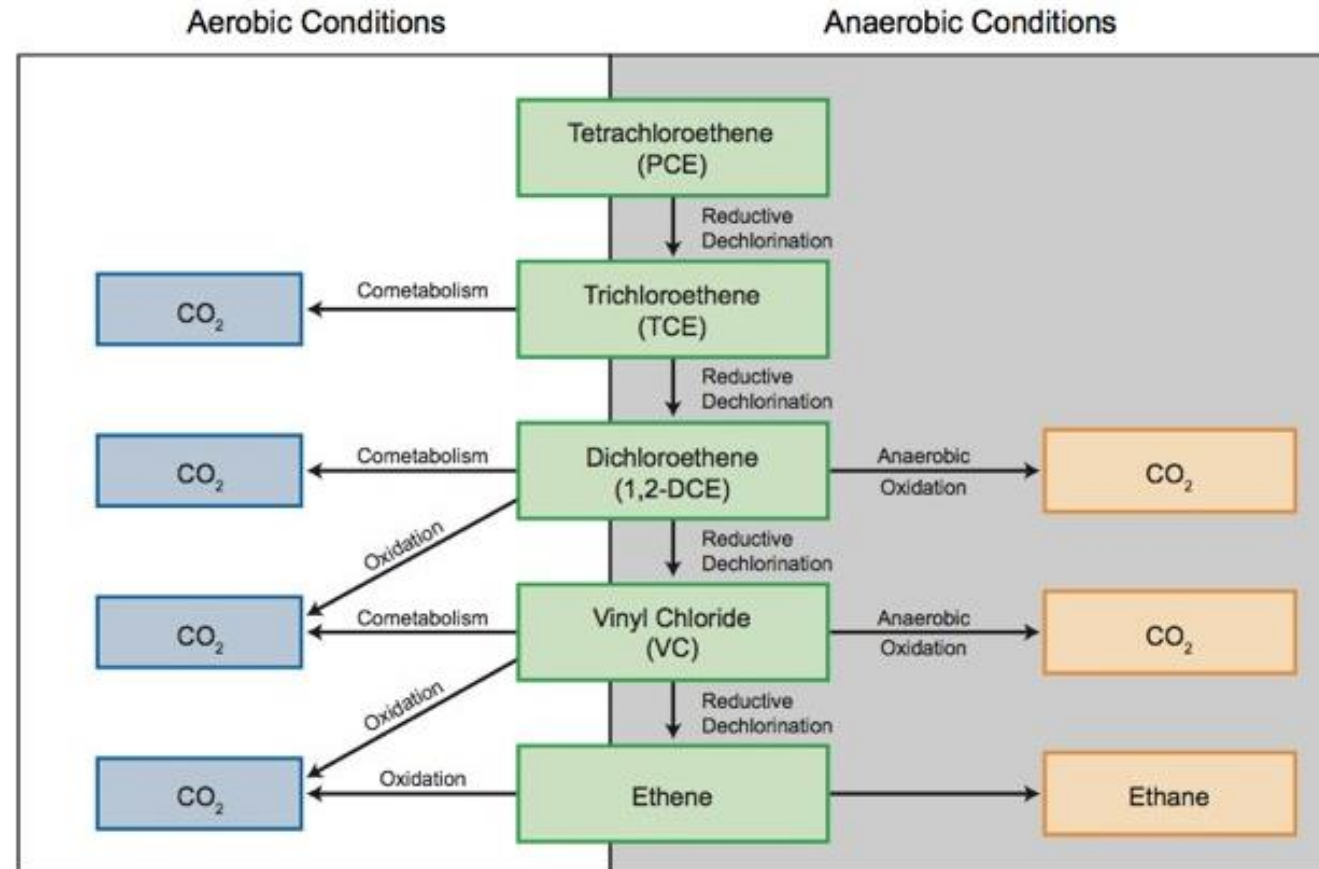
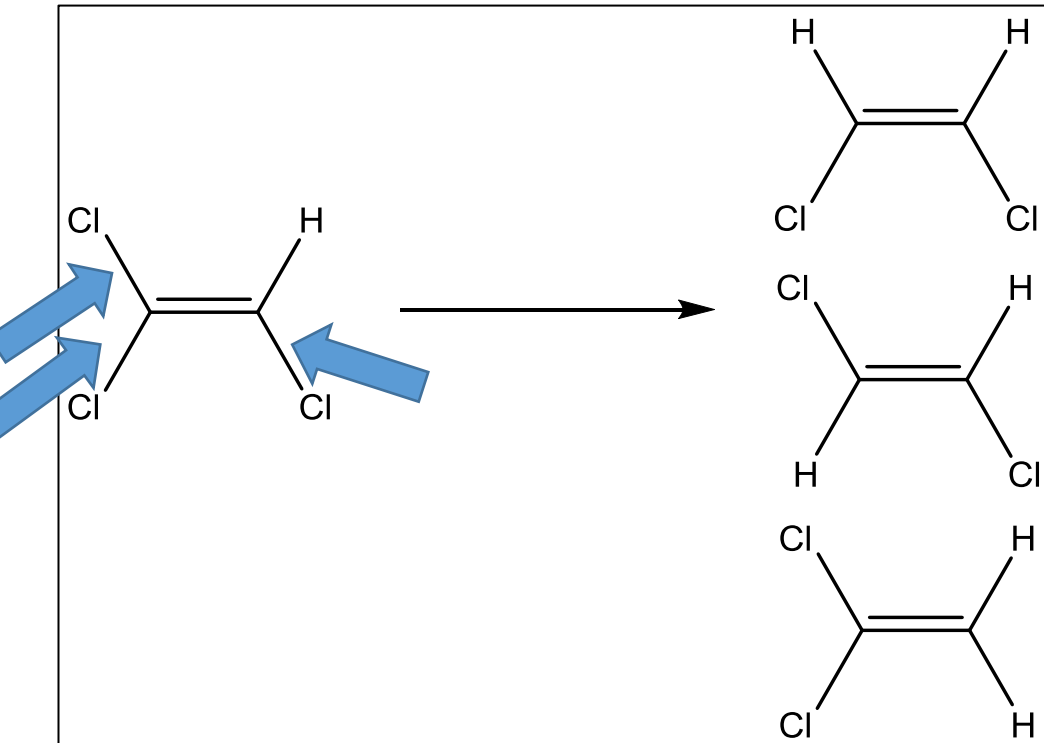
Degradation of Chlorinated VOCs

- **How** does TCE breakdown to DCE's?



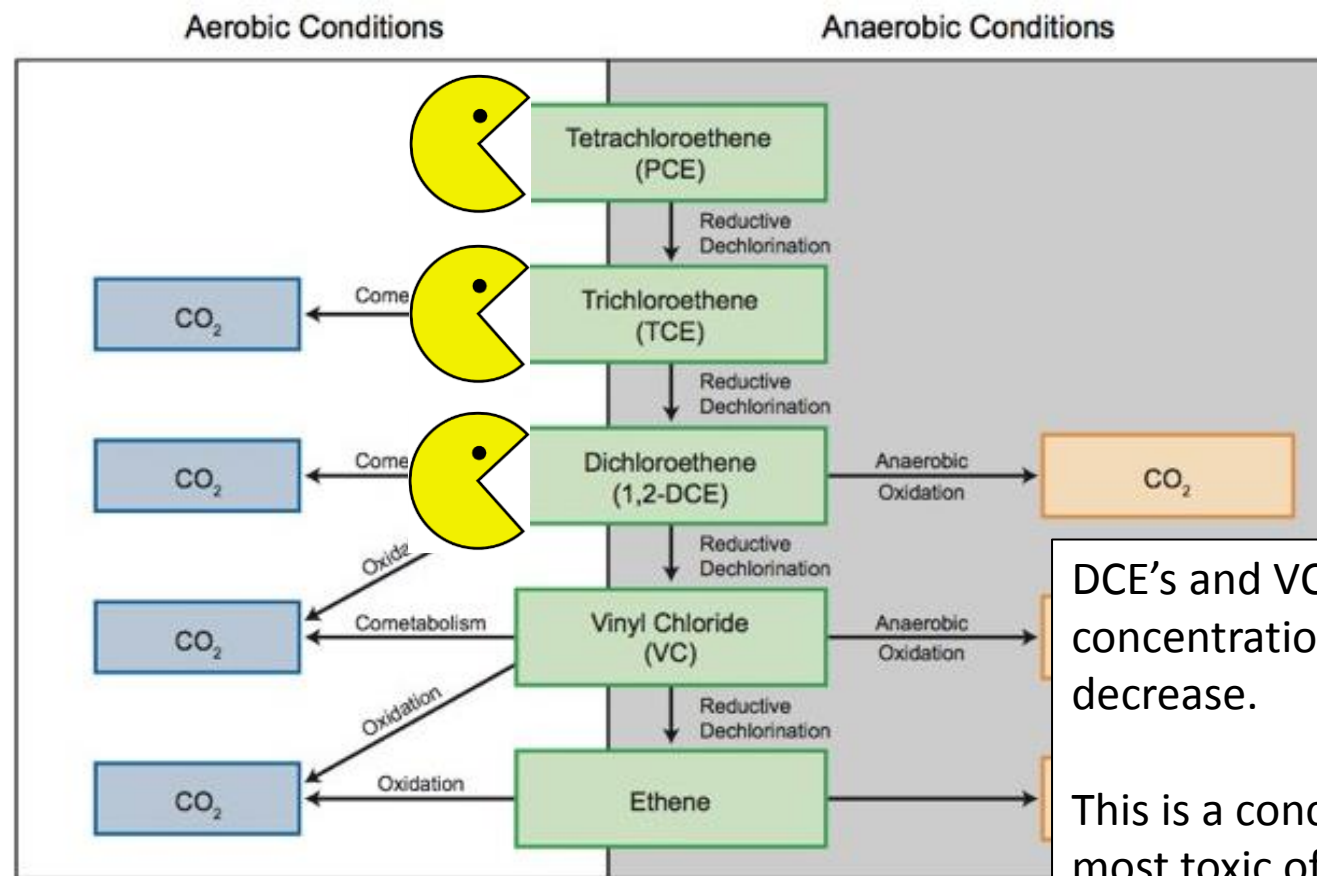
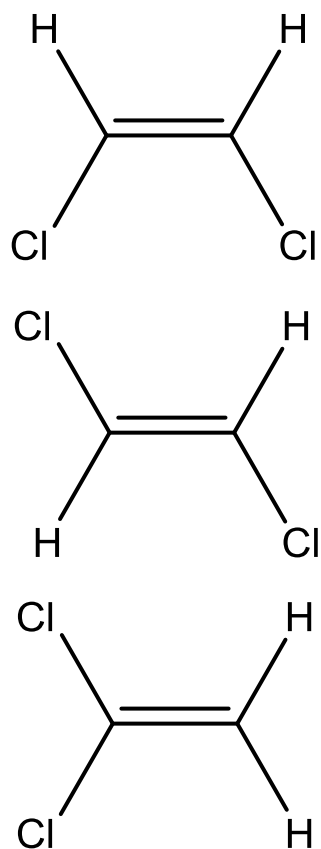
Degradation of Chlorinated VOCs

- **Why** does TCE breakdown to DCE's?



Degradation of Chlorinated VOCs

- **Why** don't DCE's continue to break down as fast as PCE and TCE?

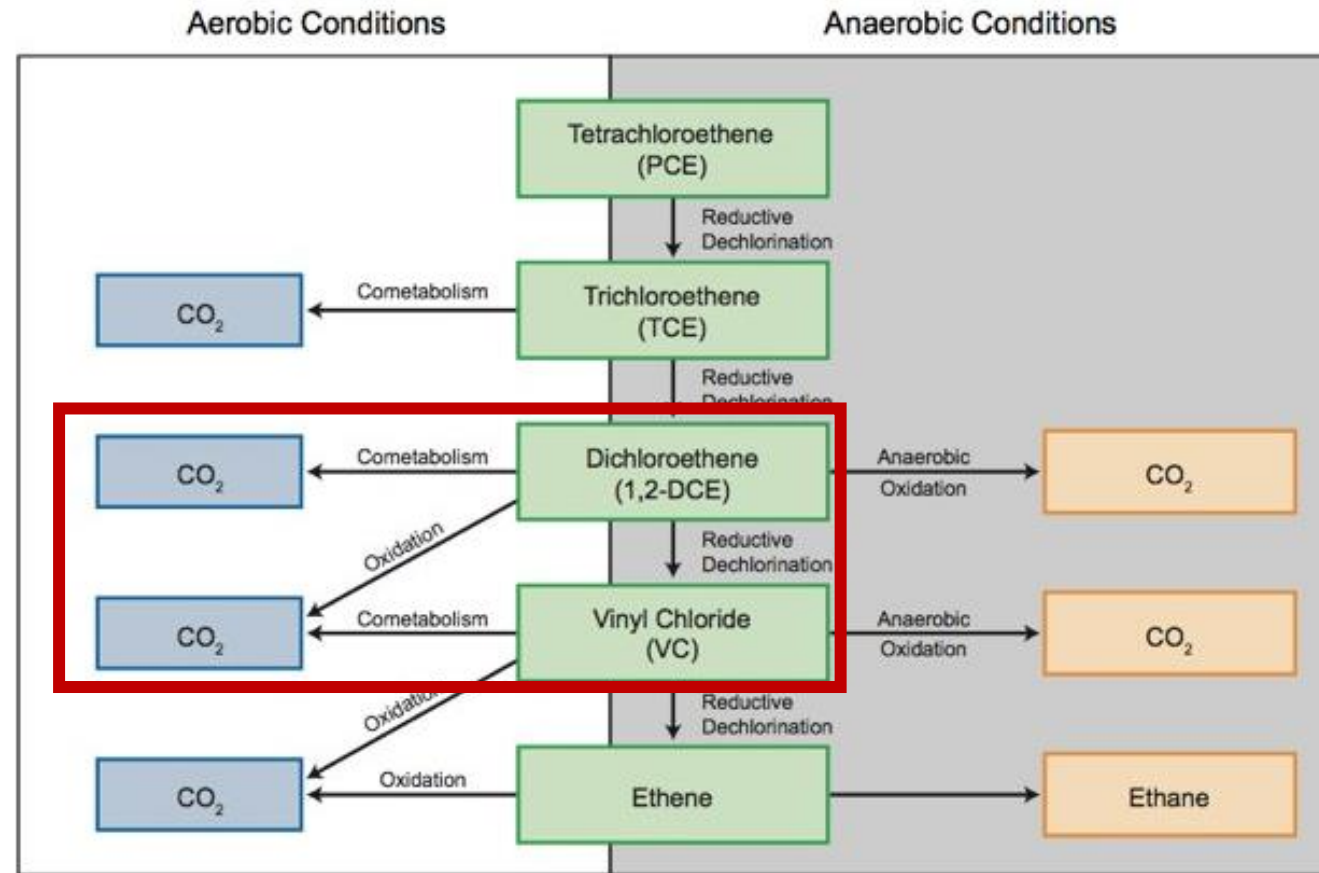


DCE's and VC accumulate until the concentration of PCE and TCE decrease.

This is a concern because VC is the most toxic of a CVOC's.

Degradation of Chlorinated VOCs

- Biodegradation of DCE's, and VC can also proceed via oxidation pathways under aerobic conditions
- **Why?** Because they are polar and will migrate into the aqueous phase (lots of oxygen)
- **How?**
 - VC acts as the electron donor (oxidized)
 - Oxygen is the electron acceptor (reduced)



Abiotic (chemical) Transformation

- Abiotic Reductive Dechlorination – oxidation/reduction reaction (uses oxidized metals to attract Cl)
- Hydrolysis – substitution reaction (OH in place of Cl)

Summary of CVOC's fate in the environment.

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2. Compound's tendency to dissolve in water (polarity)

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4. Compound's tendency to degrade in the environment
 1. PCE and TCE (anaerobic)
 2. DCE's and VC (anaerobic and aerobic)

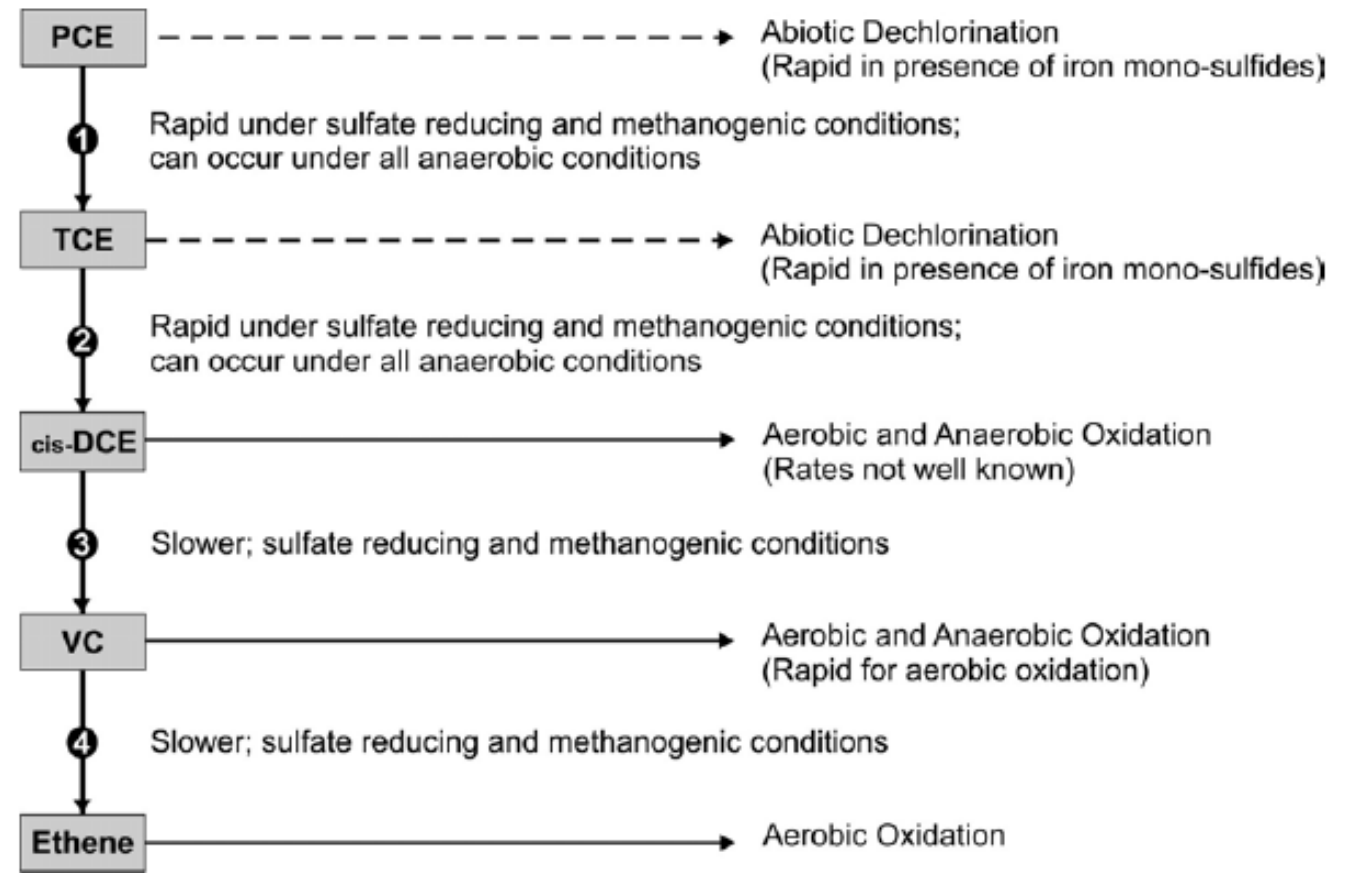
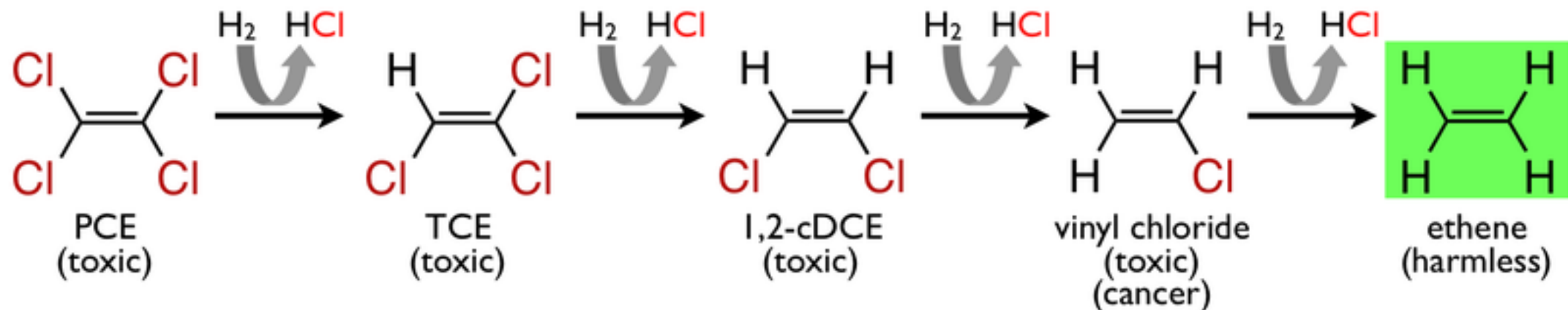


Figure 2.2 Reaction Sequence and Relative Rates of Degradation for Chlorinated Ethenes (modified from Wiedemeier et al., 1999)

Chlorinated Solvents

Reaction Summary – oxidation/reduction rxn

- Hydrogen (H_2) loses its electrons and becomes oxidized.
- Hydrogen substitutes in place of the Cl atom.
- Haloalkene gains electrons and becomes reduced.



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