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Chemical Bonding and Structure (2)

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Expected Outcomes

In the end of this chapter, student will have the ability to:

- Draw Lewis structure
- Identify ionic and covalent bond in a compounds
- Differentiate isomers and resonance Lewis drawing
- Explain characteristic and properties of constitutional isomers, enantiomers, diastereoisomers, and racemic mixture
- Predict the shape of molecules
- Draw condensed structures and skeletal structure

Contents

- Bonding
- Lewis Structure
- Resonance
- Stereochemistry
- Molecular shapes
- Drawing organic structure

- Stereochemistry refers to the three-dimensional structure of a molecule.
 - In cellulose, the O atom joins two rings using two equatorial bonds.
 - In starch, the O atom joins two rings using one equatorial and one axial bond.



The Two Major Classes of Isomers

- The two major classes of isomers are constitutional isomers and stereoisomers.
 - Constitutional/structural isomers have different IUPAC names, the same or different functional groups, different physical properties and different chemical properties.
 - Stereoisomers differ only in the way the atoms are oriented in space. They have identical IUPAC names (except for a prefix like *cis* or *trans*). They always have the same functional group(s).
- A particular three-dimensional arrangement is called a configuration. Stereoisomers differ in configuration.

A comparison of constitutional isomers and stereoisomers



Physical Properties of Stereoisomers—Optical Activity

- The chemical and physical properties of two enantiomers are identical except in their interaction with chiral substances. They have identical physical properties, except for how they interact with plane-polarized light.
- Plane-polarized (polarized) light is light that has an electric vector that oscillates in a single plane. Plane-polarized light arises from passing ordinary light through a polarizer.
- A polarimeter is an instrument that allows polarized light to travel through a sample tube containing an organic compound. It permits the measurement of the degree to which an organic compound rotates plane-polarized light.



Physical Properties of Stereoisomers—Optical Activity

• With achiral compounds, the light that exits the sample tube remains unchanged. A compound that does not change the plane of polarized light is said to be optically inactive.





Physical Properties of Stereoisomers—Optical Activity

With chiral compounds, the plane of the polarized light is rotated through an angle α. The angle α is measured in degrees (°), and is called the observed rotation. A compound that rotates polarized light is said to be optically active.





Physical Properties of Stereoisomers—Optical Activity

- The rotation of polarized light can be clockwise or anticlockwise.
- If the rotation is clockwise (to the right of the noon position), the compound is called dextrorotatory. The rotation is labeled d or (+).
- If the rotation is counterclockwise, (to the left of noon), the compound is called levorotatory. The rotation is labeled / or (-).
- Two enantiomers rotate plane-polarized light to an equal extent but in opposite directions. Thus, if enantiomer A rotates polarized light +5°, the same concentration of enantiomer B rotates it –5°.
- No relationship exists between R and S prefixes and the (+) and
 (-) designations that indicate optical rotation.



Physical Properties of Stereoisomers—Optical Activity

 Specific rotation is a standardized physical constant for the amount that a chiral compound rotates plane-polarized light. Specific rotation is denoted by the symbol [α] and defined using a specific sample tube length (*I*, in dm), concentration (*c* in g/mL), temperature (25^oC) and wavelength (589 nm).

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$$[\alpha] = \frac{\alpha}{l \times c}$$

- α = observed rotation (°)
 - = length of sample tube (dm)
- c = concentration (g/mL)

 $\begin{bmatrix} dm = decimeter \\ 1 dm = 10 cm \end{bmatrix}$

Terms used to describe optical isomers:



An optically active compound can exist in two isomeric forms which rotate the plane-polarized light in OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS. These are called OPTICAL ISOMERS.

- 1. Optically active molecule is a molecule that can not be superimposed on its mirror image. It is also called chiral molecule.
- 2. Asymmetric carbon is a carbon atom that is bonded to four (4) different groups. It is also called chiral carbon.
- 3. Enantiomers (Greek, *enantio* = opposite) are optical active that are mirror images.
- 4. Diastereomers are optical isomer but not mirror images.
- 5. Racemic mixture is a mixture of equal parts of enantiomers. Racemic mixtures optically inactive.
- 6. Meso compounds is a compound that has more than one asymmetric carbon and that is superimposable on its mirror image. Meso compounds are optically inactive.



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Physical Properties of Stereoisomers—Racemic Mixtures

 An equal amount of two enantiomers is called a racemic mixture or a racemate. A racemic mixture is optically inactive. Because two enantiomers rotate plane-polarized light to an equal extent but in opposite directions, the rotations cancel, and no rotation is observed.

Compared			
Property	A alone	B alone	Racemic A + B
Melting point	identical to B	identical to A	may be different from A and B
Boiling point	identical to B	identical to A	may be different from ${\bf A}$ and ${\bf B}$
Optical rotation	equal in magnitude but opposite in sign to B	equal in magnitude but opposite in sign to A	0°

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Chiral and Achiral Molecules

• Some molecules are like hands. Left and right hands are mirror images, but they are not identical, or superimposable.



• A molecule (or object) that is not superimposable on its mirror image is said to be chiral.



Chiral and Achiral Molecules

• We can now consider several molecules to determine whether or not they are chiral.



Chiral and Achiral Molecules

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- The molecule labeled A and its mirror image labeled B are not superimposable. No matter how you rotate A and B, all the atoms never align. Thus, CHBrCIF is a chiral molecule, and A and B are different compounds.
- A and B are stereoisomers—specifically, they are enantiomers.
- A carbon atom with four different groups is a tetrahedral stereogenic center.





Chiral and Achiral Molecules

- Achiral molecules usually contain a plane of symmetry but chiral molecules do not.
- A plane of symmetry is a mirror plane that cuts the molecule in half, so that one half of the molecule is a reflection of the other half.



Chiral and Achiral Molecules





Stereogenic Centers

- To locate a stereogenic center, examine each tetrahedral carbon atom in a molecule, and look at the four groups—not the four atoms—bonded to it.
- Always omit from consideration all C atoms that cannot be tetrahedral stereogenic centers. These include
 - CH₂ and CH₃ groups
 - Any sp or sp² hybridized C





Stereogenic Centers

Three-dimensional representations for pairs of enantiomers





Stereogenic Centers

 Many biologically active molecules contain stereogenic centers at ring carbons-





Labeling Stereogenic Centers with *R* or *S*

- Since enantiomers are two different compounds, they need to be distinguished by name. This is done by adding the prefix *R* or *S* to the IUPAC name of the enantiomer.
- Naming enantiomers with the prefixes *R* or *S* is called the *Cahn-Ingold-Prelog* system (CIP Rule).
- To designate enantiomers as *R* or *S*, priorities must be assigned to each group bonded to the stereogenic center, in order of decreasing atomic number. The atom of highest atomic number gets the highest priority (1).









Labeling Stereogenic Centers with *R* or *S*

 If two atoms on a stereogenic center are the same, assign priority based on the atomic number of the atoms bonded to these atoms. One atom of higher atomic number determines the higher priority.





Labeling Stereogenic Centers with R or S



Labeling Stereogenic Centers with R or S

 To assign a priority to an atom that is part of a multiple bond, treat a multiply bonded atom as an equivalent number of singly bonded atoms. For example, the C of a C=O is considered to be bonded to two O atoms.



• Other common multiple bonds are drawn below:







Labeling Stereogenic Centers with R or S

Examples of assigning priorities to stereogenic centers



ОН Н−С−СН₂ОН СООН



Labeling Stereogenic Centers with R or S

Examples of assigning priorities to stereogenic centers





Labeling Stereogenic Centers with *R* or *S*





Labeling Stereogenic Centers with *R* or *S*

How To, continued . . .

- Step [2] Orient the molecule with the lowest priority group (4) *back* (on a *dash*), and visualize the relative positions of the remaining three groups (priorities 1, 2, and 3).
 - For each enantiomer of 2-butanol, look toward the lowest priority group, drawn behind the plane, down the C-H bond.





Labeling Stereogenic Centers with R or S

Step [3] Trace a circle from priority group $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3$.

- If tracing the circle goes in the clockwise direction-to the right from the noon position-the isomer is named R.
- If tracing the circle goes in the counterclockwise direction—to the left from the noon position—the isomer is named S.



• The letters R or S precede the IUPAC name of the molecule. For the enantiomers of 2-butanol:





Diastereomers

• For a molecule with *n* stereogenic centers, the maximum number of stereoisomers is 2^{*n*}. Let us consider the stepwise procedure for finding all the possible stereoisomers of 2,3-dibromopentane.





Diastereomers

 If you have drawn the compound and the mirror image in the described manner, you have only to do two operations to see if the atoms align. Place B directly on top of A; and rotate B 180° and place it on top of A to see if the atoms align.



 In this case, the atoms of A and B do not align, making A and B nonsuperimposable mirror images—i.e., enantiomers. Thus, A and B are two of the four possible stereoisomers of 2,3dibromopentane.

Diastereomers

 Switching the positions of H and Br (or any two groups) on one stereogenic center of either A or B forms a new stereoisomer (labeled C in this example), which is different from A and B. The mirror image of C is labeled D. C and D are enantiomers.



• Stereoisomers that are not mirror images of one another are called diastereomers. For example, A and C are diastereomers.





Diastereomers

Summary: The four stereoisomers of 2,3dibromopentane



- Pairs of enantiomers: A and B; C and D.
- Pairs of diastereomers: A and C; A and D; B and C; B and D.

Meso Compounds

• Let us now consider the stereoisomers of 2,3-dibromobutane. Since this molecule has two stereogenic centers, the maximum number of stereoisomers is 4.

СН3-*С-С+3

2,3-dibromobutane
 [* = stereogenic center]
 To find all the stereoisomers of 2,3-dibromobutane, add the H, Br, and CH₃ groups to the stereogenic centers, forming one stereoisomer A, and then draw its mirror image, B.





Meso Compounds

 To find the other two stereoisomers if they exist, switch the position of two groups on one stereogenic center of one enantiomer only. In this case, switching the positions of H and Br on one stereogenic center of A forms C, which is different from both A and D.



• A meso compound is an achiral compound that contains tetrahedral stereogenic centers. C is a meso compound.





Meso Compounds

Summary: The three stereoisomers 2,3dibromobutane



- Pair of enantiomers:
 A and B.
- Pairs of diastereomers:
 A and C; B and C.



R and *S* Assignments in Compounds with Two or More Stereogenic Centers.

• When a compound has more than one stereogenic center, *R* and *S* configurations must be assigned to each of them.



The complete name is (2S,3R)-2,3-dibromopentane

- Identical compounds have the *same R,S* designations at every tetrahedral stereogenic center.
- Enantiomers have exactly opposite R,S designations.
- Diastereomers have the same R,S designation for at least one stereogenic center and the *opposite* for at least one of the other stereogenic centers.



Disubstituted Cycloalkanes

• Consider 1,3-dibromocyclopentane. Since it has two stereogenic centers, it has a maximum of four stereoisomers.



1,3-dibromocyclopentane [* = stereogenic center]

 Recall that a disubstituted cycloalkane can have two substituents on the same side of the ring (*cis* isomer, A) or on opposite sides of the ring (*trans* isomer, B). These compounds are stereoisomers but not mirror images.





Disubstituted Cycloalkanes

• To find the other two stereoisomers if they exist, draw the mirror images of each compound and determine whether the compound and its mirror image are superimposable.



• The *cis* isomer is superimposable on its mirror image, making the images identical. Thus, A is an achiral meso compound.



Disubstituted Cycloalkanes

 The trans isomer is not superimposable on its mirror image, labeled C, making B and C different compounds. B and C are enantiomers.



• Because one stereoisomer of 1,3-dibromocyclopentane is superimposable on its mirror image, there are only three stereoisomers, not four.



Enantiomers and the Sense of Smell

- Research suggests that the odor of a particular molecule is determined more by its shape than by the presence of a particular functional group.
- Because enantiomers interact with chiral smell receptors, some enantiomers have different odors.





Summary—Types of isomers

