

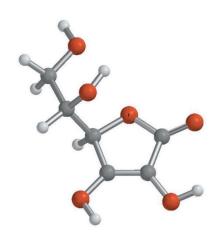
## **CHEM 245**

# Organic Chemistry II

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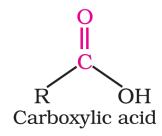


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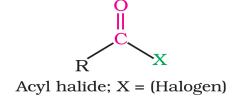
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## Carboxylic Acids

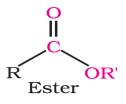
- Carbon compounds containing a carboxyl functional group, —COOH are called carboxylic acids.
- The carboxyl group, consists of a carbonyl group attached to a hydroxyl group, hence its name carboxyl.

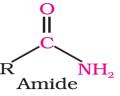


- o Depending on the group, alkyl or aryl, attached to carboxylic carbon, carboxylic acids may be
  - Aliphatic (R-COOH) or
  - Aromatic (Ar-COOH).
- o Fatty acids, some higher members of aliphatic carboxylic acids (C12 C18), occur in natural fats as esters of glycerol.
- Carboxylic acids serve as starting material for several other important organic compounds such as anhydrides, esters,
   acid chlorides, amides, etc.









### A) Common Names

- The common names of carboxylic acids all end in -ic acid.
- These names usually come from some Latin or Greek word that indicates the original source of the acid.
- $\circ$  Common name, substituents are located with Greek letters, beginning with the  $\alpha$ -carbon atom.

Carbon atoms	Formula	Source	Common name	IUPAC name
1	НСООН	ants (Latin, formica)	formic acid	methanoic acid
2	CH <sub>3</sub> COOH	vinegar (Latin, acetum)	acetic acid	ethanoic acid
3	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	milk (Greek, protos pion, first fat)	propionic acid	propanoic acid
4	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> COOH	butter (Latin, butyrum)	butyric acid	butanoic acid
5	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> COOH	valerian root (Latin, <i>valere</i> , to be strong)	valeric acid	pentanoic acid
6	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> COOH	goats (Latin, caper)	caproic acid	hexanoic acid
7	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>5</sub> COOH	vine blossom (Greek, oenanthe)	enanthic acid	heptanoic acid
8	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>6</sub> COOH	goats (Latin, caper)	caprylic acid	octanoic acid
9	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>7</sub> COOH	pelargonium (an herb with stork-shaped seed capsules; Greek, <i>pelargos</i> , stork)	pelargonic acid	nonanoic acid
10	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>8</sub> COOH	goats (Latin, caper)	capric acid	decanoic acid

### **B) IUPAC System**

We replace the final e in the name of the corresponding alkane with the suffix -oic and add the word acid.

 IUPAC system, the chain is numbered beginning with the carboxyl carbon atom, and substituents are located in the usual way.

- The carboxyl group has priority over alcohol, aldehyde, or ketone functionality in naming.
- The prefix oxo- is used to locate the carbonyl group of the aldehyde or ketone.

O
$$HC - CH_2CO_2H$$

S
 $CH_3CCH_2CHCO_2H$ 

Br

But-2-enoic acid

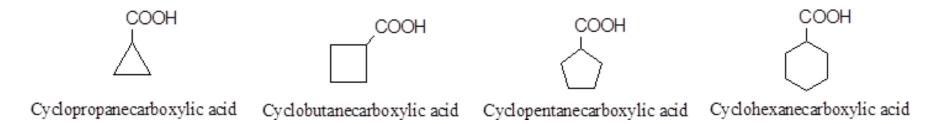
3-oxopropanoic acid

2-bromo-4-oxopentanoic acid

(2-Butenoic acid)

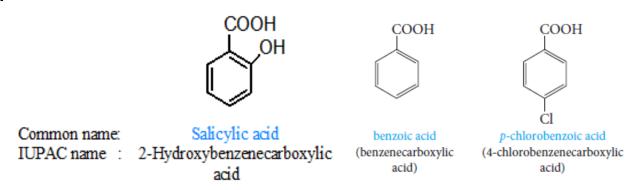
### Cycloalkane carboxylic acid

 When the carboxyl group is attached to a ring, the ending -carboxylic acid is added to the name of the parent cycloalkane. (i.e. Cycloalkanecarboxylic acid)



#### **Aromatic Acids**

 Aromatic acids are named by attaching the suffix -oic acid or -ic acid to an appropriate prefix derived from the aromatic hydrocarbon.



Dicarboxylic acids (acids that contain two carboxyl groups) are known almost exclusively by their common names.

Aliphatic dicarboxylic acids are given the suffix -dioic acid in the IUPAC system.

$$HO_2$$
C  $-$ C $H_2$ C  $H_2$ C  $H_2$ C  $H_2$ C  $H_2$ C  $H_2$ C  $H_2$ C  $H_2$ C  $H_3$ C  $H_4$ C  $HO_2$ C  $H$ 

The three benzenedicarboxylic acids are generally known by their common names.

## Questions

### Intext Question

- **12.6** Give the IUPAC names of the following compounds:
  - (i)  $Ph CH_2CH_2COOH$

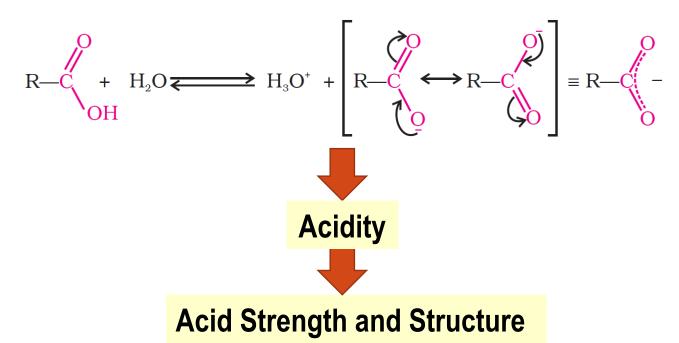
(iii) 
$$CH_3$$
 COOH  $COOH$   $COOH$   $COOH$   $COOH$ 

## Structure of Carboxyl Group

- In carboxylic acids, the bonds to the carboxyl carbon lie in one plane and are separated by about 120°.
- The carboxylic carbon is less electrophilic than carbonyl carbon because of the possible resonance structure.

$$-\overset{:\ddot{\mathrm{O}}-\mathrm{H}}{\longleftarrow} \overset{:\ddot{\mathrm{O}}-\mathrm{H}}{\longleftarrow} \overset{\ddot{\mathrm{O}}}{\longleftarrow} \overset{\ddot{\mathrm{O}}}{\longleftarrow} \overset{\ddot{\mathrm{O}}}{\longleftarrow} \overset{\mathrm{H}}{\longleftarrow}$$

o Carboxylic acids dissociate in water to give resonance stabilized carboxylate anions and hydronium ion.



## Acid Strength and Structure

#### Why carboxylic acids are more acidic than alcohols?

- In ethoxide ion, the negative charge is localized on a single oxygen atom.
- o In acetate ion, on the other hand, the negative charge can be delocalized through resonance.

$$CH_3CH_2\overset{..}{\bigcirc}H \stackrel{..}{\longleftarrow} CH_3CH_2\overset{..}{\bigcirc}:^- + H^+$$
  
ethoxide ion

$$: \overset{\circ}{O}: : O:$$

$$: CH_3\overset{\circ}{C} - \overset{\circ}{O}H \overset{\longrightarrow}{\longleftarrow} CH_3\overset{\circ}{C} - \overset{\circ}{O}: - + H^+$$
acetate ion

$$\begin{bmatrix} CH_3 - C & O & CH$$

resonance in a carboxylate ion (acetate ion)

## **Acid Strength and Structure**

### **Effect of Structure on Acidity; the Inductive Effect**

- Acidities can vary depending on what other groups are attached to the molecule.
- Recall that electron-withdrawing groups (-I) enhance acidity, and electron-releasing groups (+I) reduce acidity.
   This effect relays charge through bonds, by displacing bonding electrons toward electronegative atoms, or away from electropositive atoms.

$$_{\text{O}_{2}\text{N}}$$
  $>$   $_{\text{NO}_{2}}$   $>$   $_{\text{COOH}}$   $>$   $_{\text{CH}_{3}}$ 

o Formic acid is a substantially stronger acid than acetic acid.

This suggests that the methyl group is more electron-releasing (hence anion-destabilizing and acidity-reducing) than hydrogen.

HCOOH > CH3COOH > CH3CH2COOH > CH3CH2CH2COOH

### **Acid Strength and Structure**

### **Effect of Structure on Acidity; the Inductive Effect**

Example: acetic acid with those of mono-, di-, and trichloroacetic acids.

Comparison of acid strengths of acetic Acid and chlorinated acetic acids

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_{3} - \text{C} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{O} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta + \\ \text{Cl} \\ \text{CH}_{2} - \text{Cl} \\ \text{O} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta + \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \text{O} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \text{O} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta - \text{Cl} \end{array} \right\} - \begin{array}{c} \delta - \text{Cl} \\ \delta$$

The more chlorines, the greater the effect and the greater the strength of the acid.

Comparison of acid strengths of butyric acid and the monochlorinated acids.

## Physical Properties of Carboxylic Acids

#### Physical State

- Aliphatic carboxylic acids up to nine carbon atoms are colorless liquids at room temperature with unpleasant odors.
- The higher acids are wax like solids and are practically odorless due to their low volatility.

### Boiling Points

- Carboxylic acids are higher boiling liquids than aldehydes, ketones and even alcohols of comparable molecular masses.
   This is due to more extensive association of carboxylic acid molecules through intermolecular hydrogen bonding.
- The hydrogen bonds are not broken completely even in the vapor phase.
- In fact, most carboxylic acids exist as dimer in the vapor phase or in the aprotic solvents.

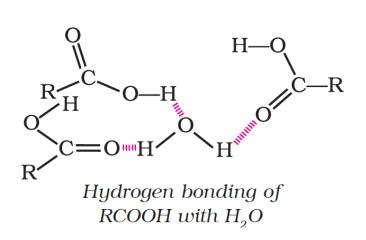
$$R - C$$
 $O - H - O$ 
 $C - R$ 
 $O - H - O$ 
 $C - R$ 
 $C - R$ 

In vapour state or in aprotic solvent

## Physical Properties of Carboxylic Acids

### Solubility in Water

- Simple aliphatic carboxylic acids having up to four carbon atoms are miscible in water due to the formation of hydrogen bonds with water.
- The solubility decreases with increasing number of carbon atoms.
- Higher carboxylic acids are practically insoluble in water due to the increased hydrophobic interaction of hydrocarbon part.
- Benzoic acid, the simplest aromatic carboxylic acid is nearly insoluble in cold water.
- Carboxylic acids are also soluble in less polar organic solvents like benzene, ether, alcohol, chloroform, etc.



Structure	Name	Mol. Wt.	b.p. °C	Solubility in H <sub>2</sub> O at 25°C
HCOOH	Formic acid	46	100	Very soluble
CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	Ethyl alcohol	46	78	Very soluble
CH <sub>3</sub> COOH	Acetic acid n-Propyl alcohol	60	118	Very soluble
CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH		60	97	Very soluble
CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> COOH	Valeric acid n-Hexyl alcohol	102	187	4.0 g/100 g H <sub>2</sub> O
CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> CH2OH		102	156	0.6 g/100 g H <sub>2</sub> O
Ph-COOH	Benzoic acid	122	250	Insoluble
Ph-CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	3-Phenylethanol	122	250	Insoluble

### 1. From Primary Alcohols and Aldehydes

• Primary alcohols are readily oxidized to carboxylic acids with common oxidizing agents such as potassium permanganate (KMnO<sub>4</sub>) in neutral, acidic or alkaline media or by potassium dichromate (K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>) and chromium trioxide (CrO<sub>3</sub>) in acidic media (Jones reagent).

$$RCH_{2}OH \xrightarrow{1. \text{ alkaline } KMnO_{4}} RCOOH$$

$$CH_{3}(CH_{2})_{8}CH_{2}OH \xrightarrow{CrO_{3}-H_{2}SO_{4}} CH_{3}(CH_{2})_{8}COOH$$

$$1-Decanol Decanoic acid$$

Carboxylic acids are also prepared from aldehydes by the use of mild oxidizing agents

$$R-CHO \xrightarrow{[O]} R-COOH$$

#### 2. From Alkylbenzenes

 Aromatic carboxylic acids can be prepared by vigorous oxidation of alkyl benzenes with chromic acid or acidic or alkaline potassium permanganate.

#### 3. From Nitriles and Amides

Nitriles are hydrolyzed to amides and then to acids in the presence of H<sup>+</sup> or HO<sup>−</sup> as catalyst.

$$R-CN \xrightarrow{\frac{+}{H} \text{ or } \overline{OH}} R \xrightarrow{\frac{+}{L} \text{ or } \overline{OH}} RCOOH$$

$$CH_3CONH_2 \xrightarrow{H_3O} CH_3COOH + NH_3$$
Ethanamide
$$Ethanoic acid$$

$$Ethanoic acid$$

$$R-CN \xrightarrow{\frac{+}{H} \text{ or } \overline{OH}} RCOOH$$

$$CONH_2 \xrightarrow{H_3O} COOH + NH_3$$

$$Ethanoic acid$$

$$R-COOH_2 \xrightarrow{H_3O} RCOOH$$

$$R-COOH_3 \xrightarrow{H_3O} RCOOH_3$$

$$R-COOH_3 \xrightarrow{H_3O} RCOOH_3$$

$$R-COOH_3 \xrightarrow{H_3O} RCOOH$$

$$R-COOH_3 \xrightarrow{H_3O} RCOOH_3$$

$$RCOOH_3 \xrightarrow{H_3O} RCOOH_3$$

$$RCOOH_3 \xrightarrow$$

#### 4. From Grignard Reagents

Grignard reagents react with carbon dioxide (dry ice) to form salts of carboxylic acids which in turn give corresponding carboxylic acids after acidification with mineral acid.

**Note**: the Grignard reagents and nitriles can be prepared from alkyl halides.

#### 5. From Acyl Halides, Anhydrides and Esters

 Acid chlorides when hydrolyzed with water give carboxylic acids or more readily hydrolyzed with aqueous base to give carboxylate ions which on acidification provide corresponding carboxylic acids.

$$RCOCI \longrightarrow RCOOH + \overline{Cl}$$

$$RCOCI \longrightarrow \overline{OH/H_2O} \rightarrow RCOO^- + \overline{Cl} \xrightarrow{H_3O^+} RCOOH$$

Anhydrides on the other hand are hydrolyzed to corresponding acid(s) with water.

$$(C_6H_5CO)_2O \xrightarrow{H_2O} 2 C_6H_5COOH$$
  
Benzoic anhydride Benzoic acid

 Acidic hydrolysis of esters gives directly carboxylic acids while basic hydrolysis gives carboxylates, which on acidification give corresponding carboxylic acids.

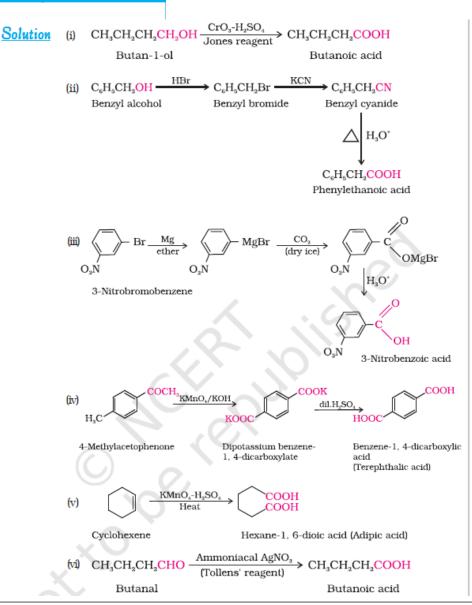
$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} COOC_2H_5 & \xrightarrow{H_3O^+} & COOH \\ \hline & & & & & \\ Ethyl \ benzoate & & & \\ Benzoic \ acid & & & \\ \end{array}$$

### **Questions**

Write chemical reactions to affect the following transformations:

- (i) Butan-1-ol to butanoic acid
- (ii) Benzyl alcohol to phenylethanoic acid
- (iii) 3-Nitrobromobenzene to 3-nitrobenzoic acid
- (iv) 4-Methylacetophenone to benzene-1,4-dicarboxylic acid
- (v) Cyclohexene to hexane-1,6-dioic acid
- (vi) Butanal to butanoic acid.

#### Example 12.5



### Questions

### Intext Question

- **12.7** Show how each of the following compounds can be converted to benzoic acid.
  - (i) Ethylbenzene (ii)
- (ii) Acetophenone
  - (iii) Bromobenzene
- (iv) Phenylethene (Styrene)

### Reactions Involving Cleavage of O-H Bond

#### (i) Acidity: Reactions with Metals and Alkalies

 The carboxylic acids like alcohols evolve hydrogen with electropositive metals and form salts with alkalies similar to phenols.

$$2R$$
-COOH +  $2Na \longrightarrow 2R$ -COŌNa<sup>+</sup> +  $H_2$   
Sodium carboxylate  
 $R$ -COOH +  $NaOH \longrightarrow R$ -COŌNa<sup>+</sup> +  $H_2O$ 

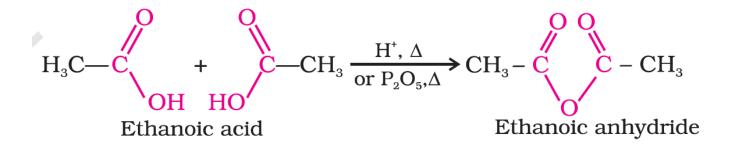
 However, unlike phenols they react with weaker bases such as carbonates and hydrogencarbonates to evolve carbon dioxide (detection of the presence of carboxyl group in an organic compound).

$$R-COOH + NaHCO_3 \longrightarrow R-COONa^+ + H_2O + CO_2$$

### Reactions Involving Cleavage of C-OH Bond

#### 1. Formation of Anhydride

Carboxylic acids on heating with mineral acids such as  $H_2SO_4$  or with  $P_2O_5$  give corresponding **anhydride**.



#### 2. Esterification

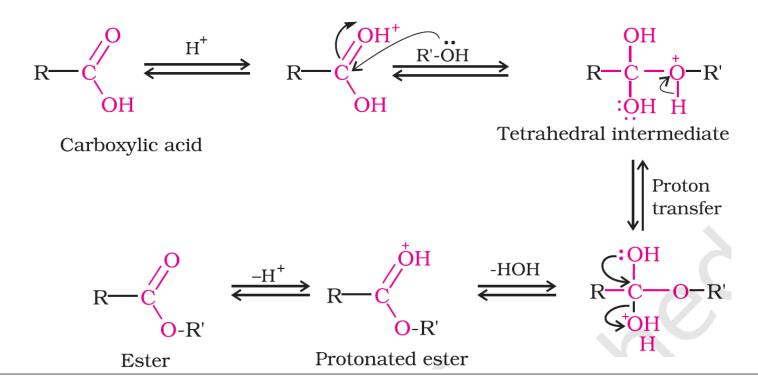
Carboxylic acids are esterified with alcohols or phenols in the presence of a mineral acid such as concentrated  $H_2SO_4$  or HCl gas as a catalyst.

RCOOH + R'OH 
$$\stackrel{\text{H}^+}{\longleftarrow}$$
 RCOOR' +  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ 

#### Reactions Involving Cleavage of C-OH Bond

### Mechanism of Esterification of Carboxylic Acids: Nucleophilic Acyl Substitution

- Protonation of the carbonyl oxygen activates the carbonyl group towards nucleophilic addition of the alcohol.
- Proton transfer in the tetrahedral intermediate converts the hydroxyl group into -+OH<sub>2</sub> group, which, being a better leaving group, is eliminated as neutral water molecule.
- The protonated ester so formed finally loses a proton to give the ester.



### Reactions Involving Cleavage of C-OH Bond

### 3. Reactions with PCI<sub>5</sub>, PCI<sub>3</sub> and SOCI<sub>2</sub>

The hydroxyl group of carboxylic acids, behaves like that of alcohols and is easily replaced by chlorine atom on treating with PCl<sub>5</sub>, PCl<sub>3</sub> or SOCl<sub>2</sub>.

RCOOH + 
$$PCl_5$$
  $\longrightarrow$  RCOCl +  $POCl_3$  +  $HCl$   $3RCOOH$  +  $PCl_3$   $\longrightarrow$   $3RCOCl$  +  $H_3PO_3$   $\longrightarrow$  RCOCl +  $SO_2$  +  $HCl$ 

#### 4. Reaction with Ammonia

Carboxylic acids react with ammonia to give ammonium salt which on further heating at high temperature give amides.

$$CH_3COOH + NH_3 \iff CH_3COONH_4 \xrightarrow{-+} \Delta CH_3CONH_2$$
Ammonium acetate Acetamide

### Reactions Involving –COOH Group

#### 1. Reduction

Carboxylic acids are reduced to primary alcohols by lithium aluminum hydride or better with diborane.

R-COOH 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{(i) LiAlH}_4/\text{ether or B}_2\text{H}_6}$$
  $\rightarrow$  R-CH<sub>2</sub>OH

#### 2. Decarboxylation

Carboxylic acids lose carbon dioxide to form hydrocarbons when their sodium salts are heated with sodalime (NaOH and CaO in the ratio of 3:1).

$$R-COONa \xrightarrow{NaOH \& CaO} R-H + Na_2CO_3$$

### **Substitution Reactions in the Hydrocarbon Part**

#### 1. Halogenation (Hell-Volhard-Zelinsky reaction)

Carboxylic acids having an  $\alpha$ -hydrogen are halogenated at the  $\alpha$ -position on treatment with chlorine or bromine in the presence of small amount of red phosphorus to give  $\alpha$ -halocarboxylic acids.

R-CH<sub>2</sub>-COOH 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{(i)} X_2/\text{Red phosphorus}}$$
 R-CH-COOH  $\xrightarrow{\text{(ii)} H_2\text{O}}$   $X$   $X = \text{Cl, Br}$   $\alpha$  – Halocarboxylic acid

### 2. Ring Substitution

**Aromatic carboxylic acids** undergo electrophilic substitution reactions in which the carboxyl group acts as a deactivating and meta-directing group.

COOH

Conc. 
$$HNO_3 +$$

Conc.  $H_2SO_4$ 

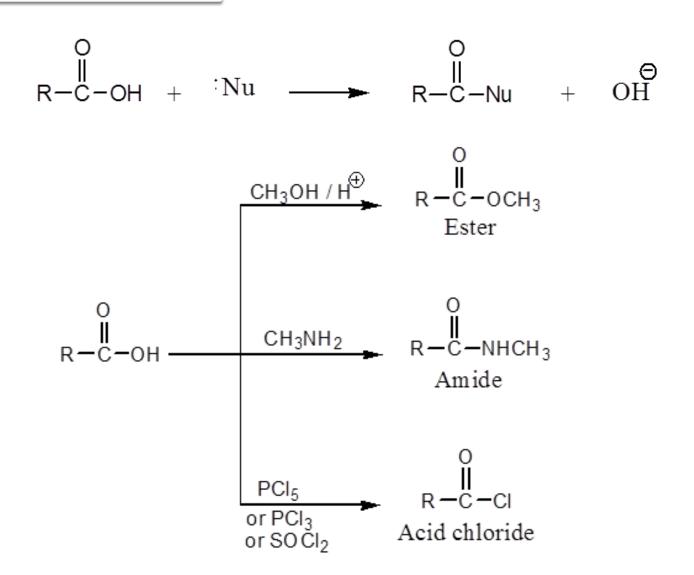
M-Bromobenzoic acid

### Questions

### Intext Question

- Which acid of each pair shown here would you expect to be stronger? 12.8

  - (i) CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H or CH<sub>2</sub>FCO<sub>2</sub>H (ii) CH<sub>2</sub>FCO<sub>2</sub>H or CH<sub>2</sub>ClCO<sub>2</sub>H
  - (iii) CH<sub>2</sub>FCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H or CH<sub>3</sub>CHFCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H
  - COOH or H<sub>3</sub>C -COOH



 Carboxylic acid derivatives are compounds in which the hydroxyl part of the carboxyl group is replaced by various other groups.

All acid derivatives can be hydrolyzed to the corresponding carboxylic acid.

Acid derivative	HOH (hydrolysis)		
O    R—C—Cl acyl halide	O    R—C—OH + HCI		
creasing reactivity  B = C = O = B  acid authoride  O = C = C = B	O    2 R—C—OH		
R—C—O—R" ester	O    R—C—OH + R"OH		
O ∥ R—C—NH₂ ▼ amide	O    R—C—OH + NH <sub>3</sub>		
Main organic product	acid		

#### **Acid Chloride**

- Acyl chlorides have the general formula RCOCI.
- Acyl chlorides are more common and less expensive than bromides or iodides.
- O Nomenclature:

Acyl chlorides, or acid chlorides, are named by replacing the <u>-ic acid</u> ending of the parent acid by <u>-yl chloride</u>.

#### Preparation:

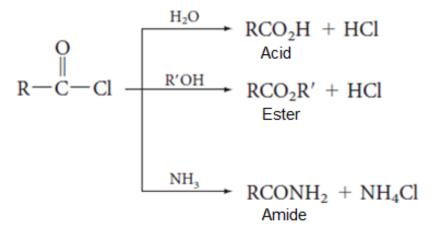
They can be prepared from acids by reaction with thionyl chloride or phosphorous pentachloride.

$$R-C-OH + SOCl_2 \longrightarrow R-C-Cl + HCl + SO_2$$

$$R-C-OH + PCl_5 \longrightarrow R-C-Cl + HCl + POCl_3$$

#### **Acid Chloride**

Reactions: They can react rapidly with most nucleophile.



#### Examples:

$$CH_{3}-C-Cl + HOH \xrightarrow{rapid} CH_{3}-C-OH + HCl$$
acetyl chloride
$$CH_{3}-C-OH + HCl$$
acetic acid (fumes)
$$CH_{3}-C-Cl + CH_{3}OH \xrightarrow{room temp.} C-OCH_{3} + HCl$$

$$CH_{3}-C-Cl + 2NH_{3} \longrightarrow CH_{3}-C-NH_{2} + NH_{4} + Cl$$
acetyl chloride
$$CH_{3}-C-Cl + 2NH_{3} \longrightarrow CH_{3}-C-NH_{2} + NH_{4} + Cl$$
acetyl chloride

#### **Esters**

• Esters are derived from acids by replacing the –OH group by an –OR group and have the general formula R/COOR.

#### O Nomenclature:

- They are named in a manner analogous to carboxylic acid salts.
- The R part of the –OR group is name first, followed by the name of the acid, with the <u>–ic acid</u> ending changed to <u>–ate</u>.

#### Preparation:

When a carboxylic acid and an alcohol are heated in the presence of an acid catalyst (HCl or H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), an equilibrium is established with the ester and water.

$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ \parallel \\ R-C-OH+HO-R' \xrightarrow{H^+} R-C-OR'+H_2O \\ \text{acid} & \text{alcohol} & \text{ester} \end{array}$$

#### **Esters**

#### Reactions

 Cyclic esters (lactones) can be prepared from hydroxy acids if these groups can come in contact through bending of the chain.

Saponification; esters are commonly hydrolyzed with base.

$$R - C + Na^{+}HO^{-} \xrightarrow{heat} R - C O + R'OH$$
ester nucleophile salt of an acid alcohol

Ammonia converts esters to amides.

$$R - C + NH_3 \longrightarrow R - C + R'OH$$
ester amide

#### **Amides**

- Amides are the least reactive of the common carboxylic acid derivatives.
- Primary amides have general formula RCONH<sub>2</sub>.

#### O Nomenclature:

Amides are named by replacing the <u>-ic or -oic acid</u> ending of the acid name, either the common or the IUPAC name, with the <u>-amide</u> ending.

#### **Amides**

#### Preparation:

- They can be prepared by the reaction of ammonia with esters, with acyl halides, or with acid anhydrides.
- Amides can also prepared by heating the ammonium salts of acids.

#### Reactions

Amides react with nucleophiles and they can be hydrolyzed by water.

$$R - C - NH_2 + H - OH \xrightarrow{H^+ \text{ or} \atop HO^-} R - C - OH + NH_3$$
amide

Amides can be reduced by lithium aluminums hydride to give amines.

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
C & & \\
R - C - NH_2 & \xrightarrow{LiAlH_4} & RCH_2NH_2 \\
& \text{amide} & & \text{amine}
\end{array}$$

### **Acid Anhydrides**

- Acid anhydrides have general formula RCOOCOR.
- O Nomenclature:

The name of an anhydrides is obtained by naming the acid from which is derived and replacing the word acid with anhydride.

$$CH_3$$
  $CH_3$   $CH_3$   $CH_3$   $CH_3$   $CH_3$   $CH_3$  ethanoic anhydride or acetic anhydride

IUPA C name: Propanoic anhydride Common name: Propionic anhydride

Benzoic anhydride

Succinic anhydride

### **Acid Anhydrides**

- Preparation
  - Acid anhydrides are derived from acids by removing water from two carboxyl groups and connecting the fragments.

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} O & O & O & O \\ \parallel & \parallel & \parallel & \parallel & \parallel \\ R-C-OH & HO-C-R & R-C-O-C-R \\ & two acid molecules & an acid anhydride \\ \end{array}$$

Anhydrides can also be prepared from acid chlorides and carboxylate salts.

This method is used for preparing anhydrides derived from two different carboxylic acids (mixed anhydrides).

$$CH_3CH_2CH_2 - C - Cl + Na^{+-}O - C - CH_3 \longrightarrow CH_3CH_2CH_2 - C - O - C - CH_3 + NaCl$$

$$butanoic ethanoic anhydride$$

### **Acid Anhydrides**

#### Reactions

• Anhydrides undergo nucleophilic acyl substitution reactions (They are more reactive than esters, but less reactive than acyl halides).

$$CH_{3} - C - O - C - CH_{3}$$

$$CH_{3} - C - O - C - CH_{3}$$

$$CH_{3} - C - O - C - CH_{3}$$

$$CH_{3} - C - O - C - CH_{3}$$

$$CH_{3} - C - O - C - CH_{3}$$

$$CH_{3} - C - OR + CH_{3} - C - OH$$

$$CH_{3} - C - OR + CH_{3} - OH$$

$$CH_{3} - C - OR + CH_{3} - OH$$

$$CH_{3} - C -$$

## **Uses of Carboxylic Acids**

- Hexanedioic acid is used in the manufacture of nylon-6, 6.
- Esters of benzoic acid are used in perfumery.
- Sodium benzoate is used as a food preservative.
- Higher fatty acids are used for the manufacture of soaps and detergents.