

Chapter 18: Organic chemistry

Organic chemistry is chemistry of carbon-containing compounds

Organic compounds:
Inorganic compounds

Natural compounds:
Synthetic compounds:

Hydrocarbons contain only hydrogen and carbon, and can be drawn several different ways:

1. Carbon backbone / carbon skeleton
2. Structural formula (flat Lewis structure)
3. 3-dimensional structure

Drawing hydrocarbons

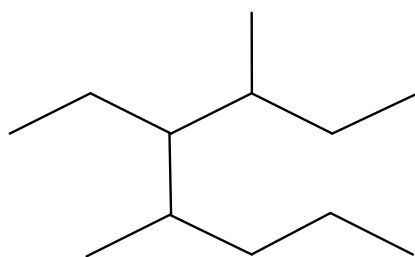
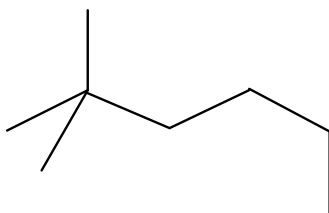
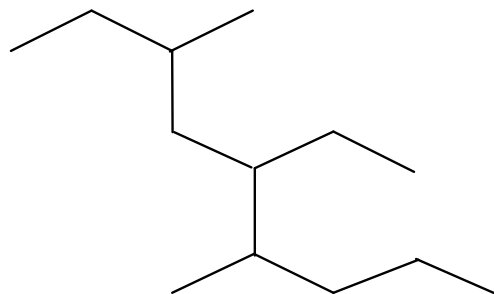
4. Line structure

5. Condensed formula (symbols and subscripts, but shows some structure)

6. Molecular formula (just a count of atoms - no structural information)

One molecular formula may have multiple **isomers**

Naming branched alkanes



Drawing branched alkanes

Draw the line and condensed structures for 3-ethyl-2,3-dimethylhexane.

Draw the line and condensed structures for 3,4-diethyl-2,3,4-trimethylnonane.

Alkenes

Alkanes:

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Alkynes:

The simplest alkene is **ethene**:

Alkenes and alkynes

Draw 2-hexene:

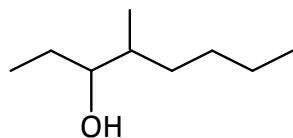
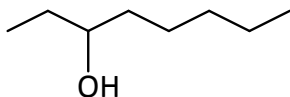
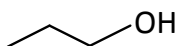
Draw 4-octene:

Draw 2-methyl-2-octene

Alkynes

Alcohols

Alcohols contain a —O—H bonding group (-OH group)



Functional groups

Functional group: molecule fragment attached to a hydrocarbon that defines a type of organic molecule.

R: placeholder for any hydrocarbon group.

TABLE 18.7 Functional Groups

Family	General Formula	Condensed General Formula	Example	Name
alcohols	$\text{R}-\text{OH}$	ROH	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2-\text{OH}$	ethanol (ethyl alcohol)
ethers	$\text{R}-\text{O}-\text{R}$	ROR	$\text{CH}_3-\text{O}-\text{CH}_3$	dimethyl ether
aldehydes	$\text{R}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{H}$	RCHO	$\text{H}_3\text{C}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{H}$	ethanal (acetaldehyde)
ketones	$\text{R}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{R}$	RCOR	$\text{H}_3\text{C}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{CH}_3$	propanone (acetone)
carboxylic acids	$\text{R}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{OH}$	RCOOH	$\text{H}_3\text{C}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{OH}$	acetic acid
esters	$\text{R}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{OR}$	RCOOR	$\text{H}_3\text{C}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{OCH}_3$	methyl acetate
amines	$\text{R}-\overset{\text{R}}{\underset{\text{H}}{\text{N}}}-\text{R}$	R_3N	$\text{H}_3\text{CH}_2\text{C}-\overset{\text{H}}{\underset{\text{H}}{\text{N}}}-\text{H}$	ethyl amine

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We discussed naming and drawing of:

- Alkanes (with backbone up to 10 carbons)
- Alkenes (ignore *cis* and *trans*)
- Alkynes
- Alcohols