

Hydrocarbons:

Compound contains carbon & hydrogen atoms ONLY

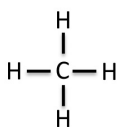
Alkanes:

Part of homologous series (react similarly)

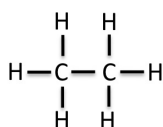
Saturated compounds = each carbon forms 4 covalent bonds

Alkanes C_nH_{2n+2}

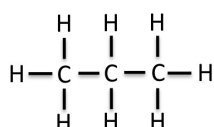
methane
 CH_4



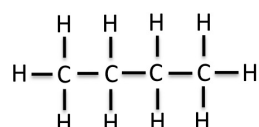
ethane
 C_2H_6



propane
 C_3H_8



butane
 C_4H_{10}



Chains:

Shorter chain = low viscosity, more volatile (lower bp), more flammable (can ignite)

Complete combustion of hydrocarbons:

Hydrocarbon + Oxygen $\rightarrow$ Carbon dioxide + Water + Energy

Hydrocarbons are oxidised (so good for fuels as lots of energy is released)

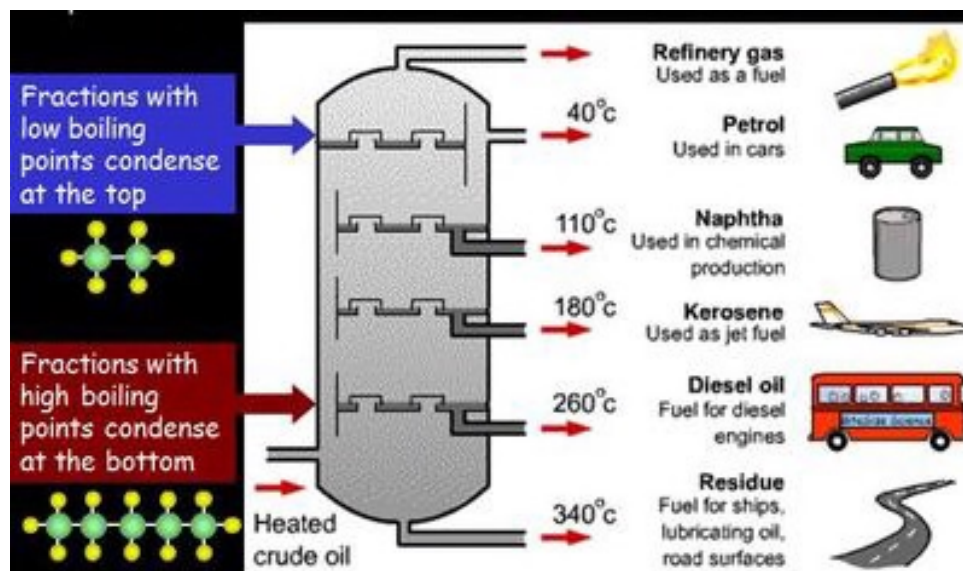
Fractional distillation:

Crude oil: a fossil fuel (from plankton remains), oil (formed under high pressure) is drilled from rocks but oil is **FINITE**

Crude oil = mixture of hydrocarbons

Fractional distillation method:

1. Oil heated & vaporises
2. Enters fractionating column
3. Temperature gradient means oil with high bp condenses 1st at the bottom
4. Oil with low bp condenses last at the top (it's cooler)
5. Fractions are separated based on carbon quantity (more atoms = higher bp)



Uses & Cracking of Crude oil:

Uses:

LPG, diesel & kerosene for cars, planes & trains

Feedstock to for polymers in industry

Cracking:

Splitting long chains up into shorter ones via THERMAL DECOMPOSITION
Short chains are more flammable (oxygen can get into the chain to react),
thus in demand

Method:

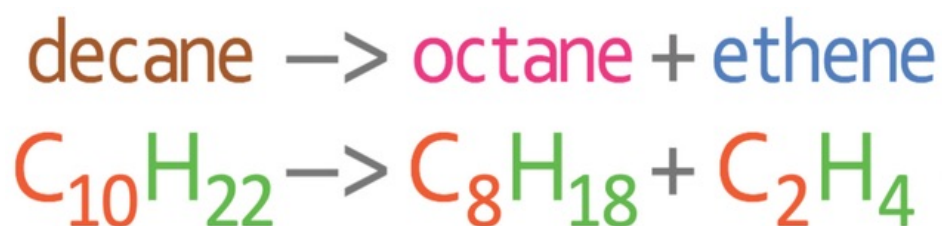
1. Heat long chain to vaporise
2. Vapour passed over steam & aluminium oxide catalyst
3. Catalytic cracking occurs: long chains separate on the surface of the catalyst

Steam cracking:

Vaporise long chain, mix with steam, heat at high temp

E.g.

Decane → Octane + Alkane



Alkenes:

Have double C=C bond

So have 2 fewer hydrogens than alkanes = unsaturated

C=C bond can split into a single bond to bond = very reactive

GENERAL FORMULA



Incomplete combustion of alkenes:

Alkene + Oxygen → Carbon + Carbon monoxide + Carbon dioxide + water + energy

Smoky yellow flame produced

Less energy released

ETHANE + OXYGEN → CARBON DIOXIDE + WATER



Reactions of Alkenes:

C=C functional group dictates reactivity

Addition reaction:

C=C bond breaks open to form single Carbon bond

Hydrogenation:

Addition of hydrogen: C=C bond breaks, Hydrogen bonds to Carbon = saturated compound (with a catalyst)

Steam + Alkane → Alcohols:

H₂O is added across the π bond = alcohol is formed

Ethanol made by combining steam & ethene (over a catalyst)– industrially

Then mixture condensed, ethanol & H₂O have higher bp than ethene so condense (unreacted ethene recycled into reactor), alcohol is purified via fractional distillation

Halogens + Alkenes:

Bromine + Ethene → dibromoethane

C=C bond broken, compound becomes saturated upon bonding with halogen atom

Test for Alkenes:

Add bromine

Saturated compound (Alkane) = orange

Unsaturated compound (Alkene) = colourless dibromo compound (bromine adds across the double bond)

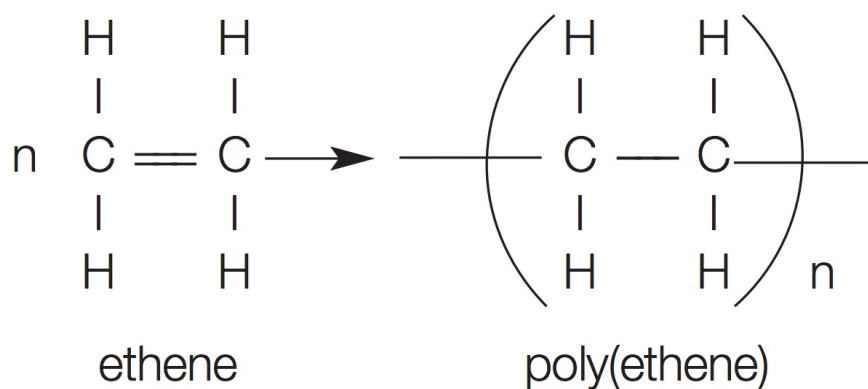
Addition polymers:

Polymers= long chains of monomers formed (via polymerisation with: catalyst & steam)

Plastics = carbon-based polymers

Unsaturated monomers open up their x2 covalent bonds during addition polymerisation

Add 'poly' to the monomer to get the polymer e.g. ethene makes (poly)ethene



Alcohols:

Contain -OH group

GENERAL FORMULA

1ST 4 ALCS

Properties of Alcohols:

Flammable so undergo complete combustion

SYMBOL EQUATION DIAGRAM

Soluble in H₂O with a neutral pH

Produce carboxylic acid when oxidised e.g. methanol is oxidised to form methanoic acid

Uses:

Solvents as can dissolve hydrocarbons in industry

Fuels as clean burn e.g. ethanol in spirit burners

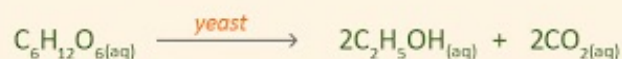
Fermentation:

Produces ethanol for bread & beer

Uses yeast enzyme to convert sugars → ethanol (ethanol produced is aqueous as reaction occurs in a solution)

37 degrees cel, acidic & anaerobic conditions are optimal for enzyme activity (preventing denaturing)

glucose $\xrightarrow{\text{yeast}}$ ethanol + carbon dioxide



Carboxylic acids:

Have -COOH functional group

DIAGRAMS OF CARBOXYLIC ACIDS

Reactions:

With carbonates to produce salt & water

WORD EQUATION EXAMPLE

Dissolve in water, ionising so release H^+ ions = acidic solution but not all H^+ molecules released = WEAK acidic solutions

So they have higher pH's than aqueous solutions of strong acids of the same concentration

Esters:

-COO- functional group

Alcohol + Carboxylic acid $\rightarrow$ ester + water

Using an acid catalyst

E.g. Ester ethanoate

Condensation polymers:

Polymers formed from monomers with different functional groups which react to make polymer chains

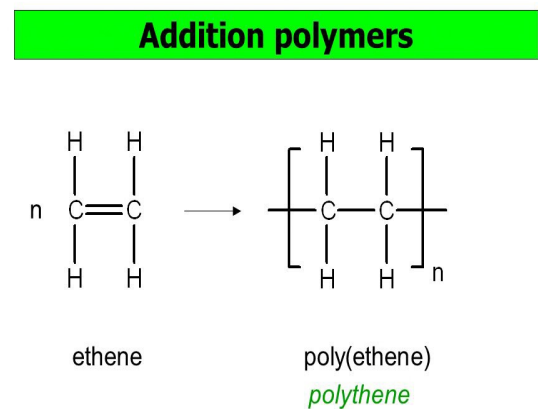
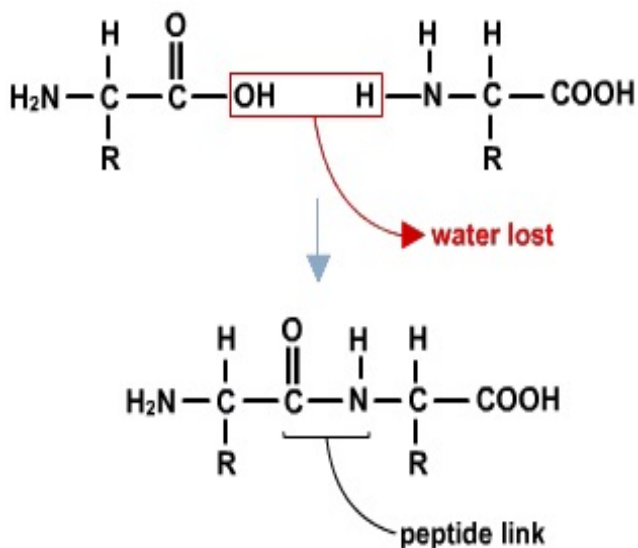
Each new bond formed releases H₂O = CONDENSATION polymerisation

E.g. Polyester

Comparing Addition vs Condensation polymerisation:

Addition: only one monomer type with x2 bond, one product formed with a C=C bond

Condensation: 2 monomers with same functional group/1 monomer type with 2 different functional groups, products: polymer & H₂O, 2 reactive groups on each monomer



Naturally occurring polymers:

Amino acids have 2 functional groups: an NH_2 & COOH group (amino & carboxyl) e.g. Glycine

Amino acids form polypeptides via condensation polymerisation

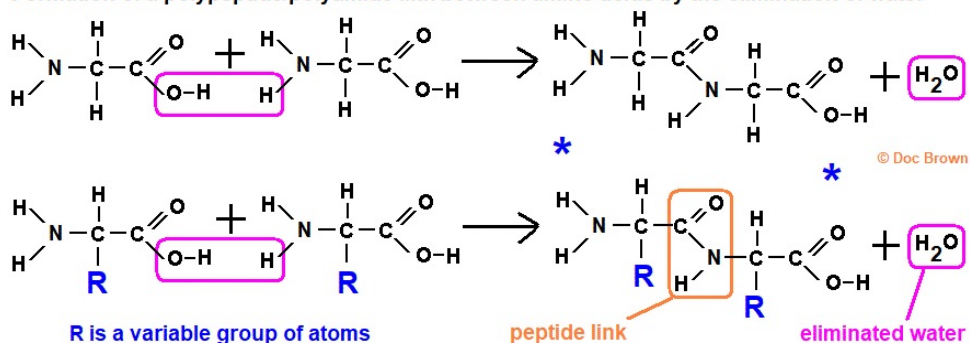
Amino group & acid group react, releasing H_2O

Long chain of polypeptides = proteins

E.g. catalysts, antibodies & haemoglobin

Order of amino acids dictates function

Formation of a polypeptide/polyamide link between amino acids by the elimination of water



DNA:

Contains genetic info for the cell to operate

Has x2 helix structure

DNA made of 2 polymers = nucleotides which contain a base (A,T & C,G) to create cross links, order of bases code an organism's genes

Simple sugars:

Formed of carbon, oxygen & hydrogen which (via polymerisation) form large carbohydrate polymers e.g. starch for storage

