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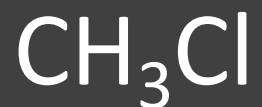
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Halogenoalkanes



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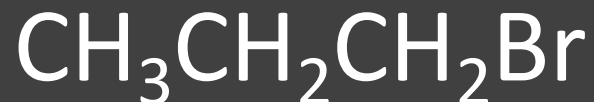
Naming Halogenoalkanes



chloromethane



iodoethane



1-bromopropane



2-bromopropane

Physical Properties

Liquids at room temperature

Immiscible with water as they do not form hydrogen bonds but they are miscible with alcohols.

Denser than water

For the same carbon chain the boiling point increases in the order of $R-Cl < R-Br < R-I$.



For the same carbon chain the boiling point increases down Group 7.

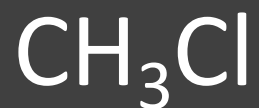
What intermolecular forces are in action?

Aren't permanent dipole dipole stronger than London Forces

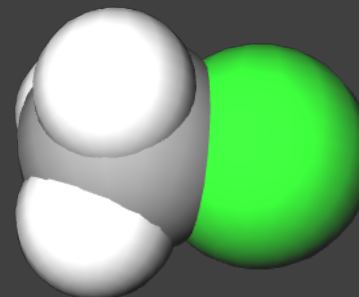
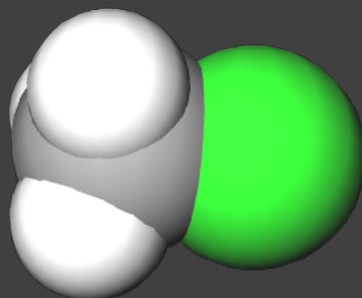
Boiling Points

Electron cloud filling model

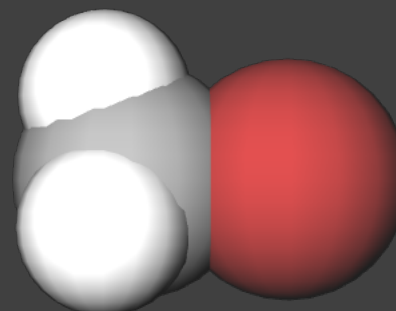
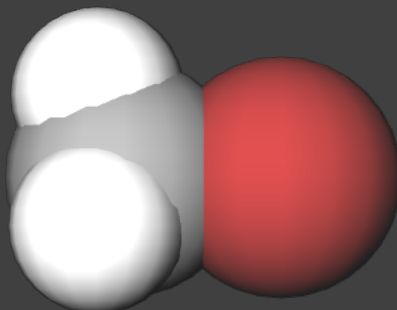
Atomic Number Electronegativity



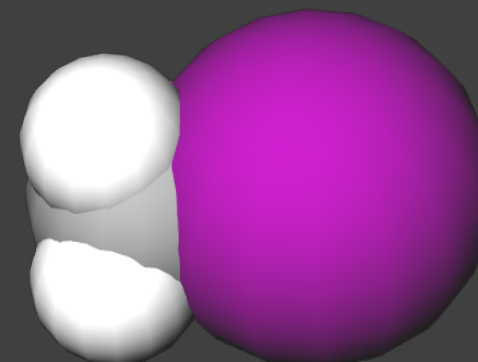
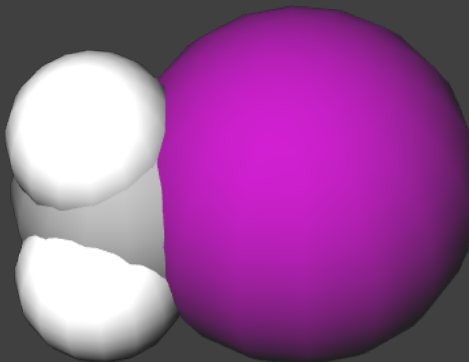
-24.2 °C



3.56 °C



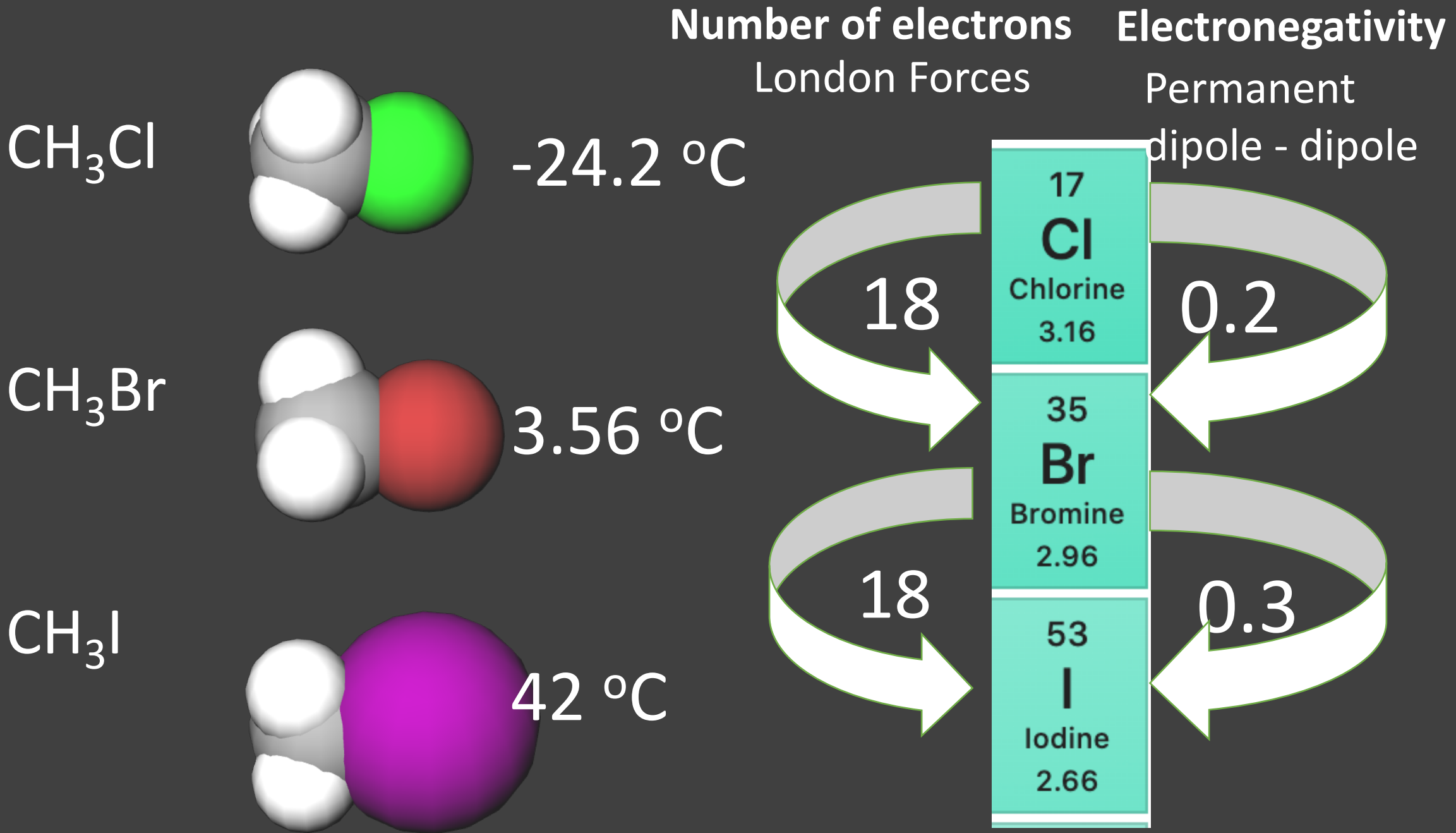
42 °C



17
Cl
Chlorine
3.16

35
Br
Bromine
2.96

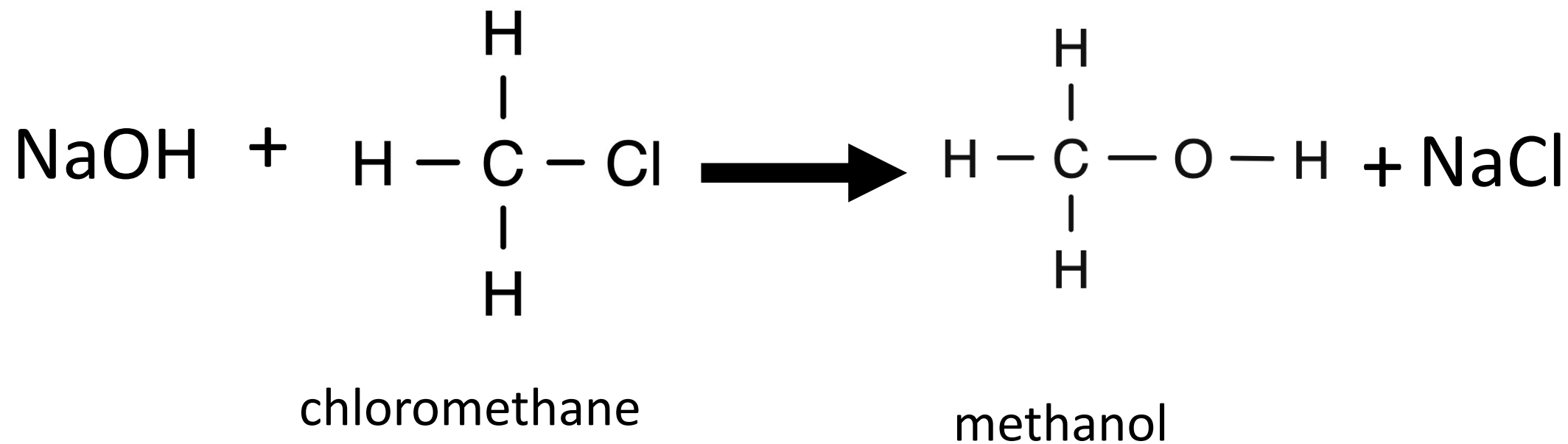
53
I
Iodine
2.66



Conclusion

London forces are more important than permanent dipole interactions between haloalkanes.

Reactions of halogenoalkanes



Mechanism

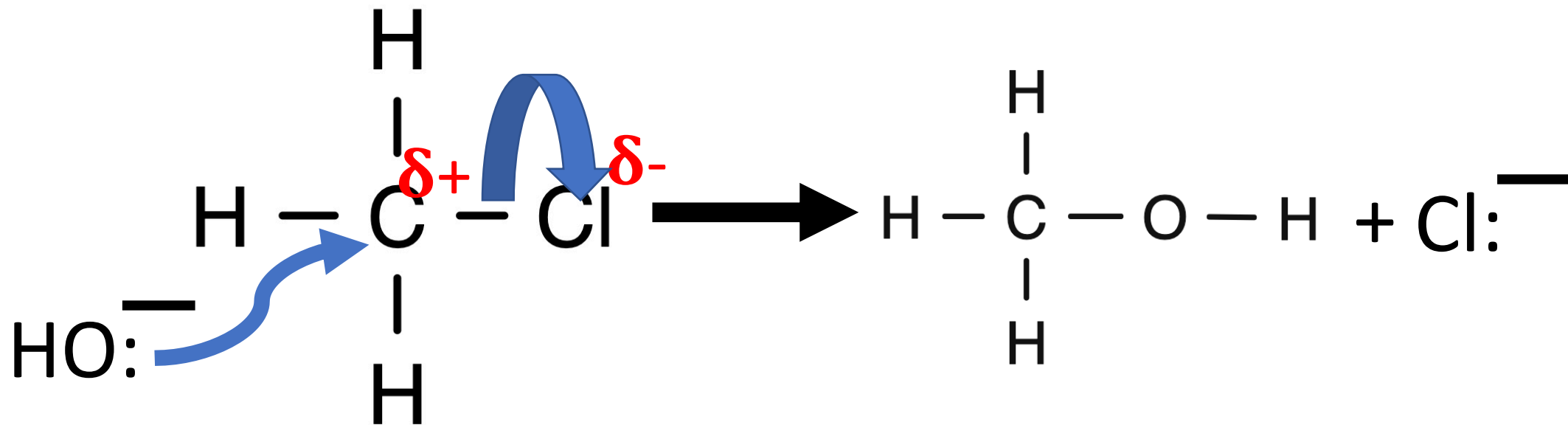
Substitution or addition?

What will be the attacking species from NaOH?

What do you know about the polarity of the C-Cl bond?

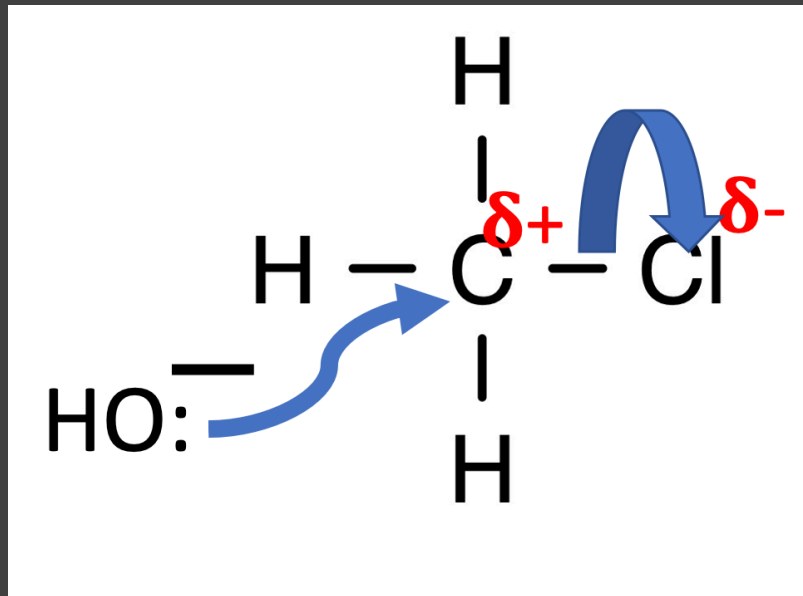


Mechanism: Nucleophilic Substitution

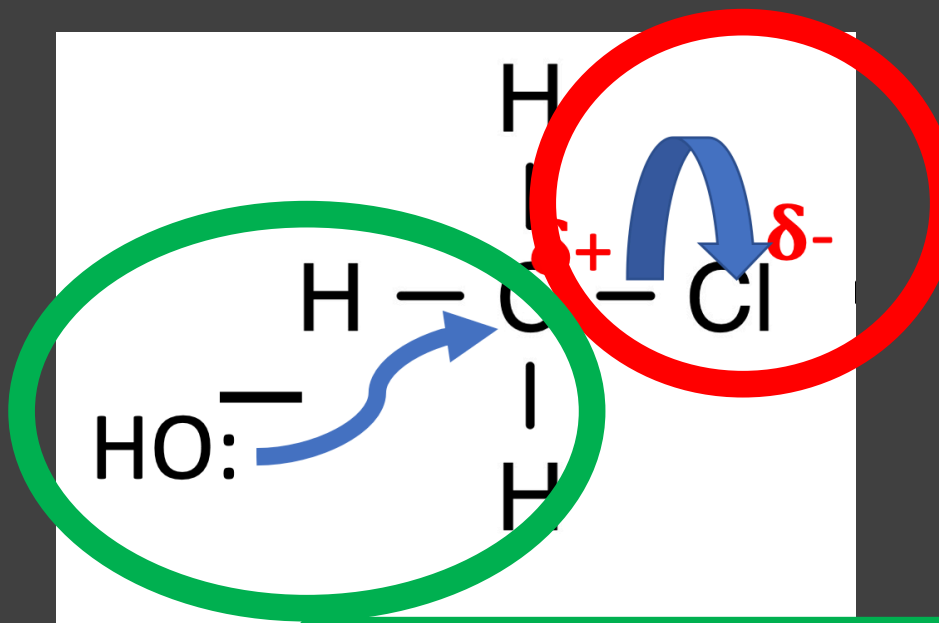


Rate of Nucleophilic Substitution

How will the rate of reaction change with the halogen? CH_3Cl vs CH_3Br vs CH_3I

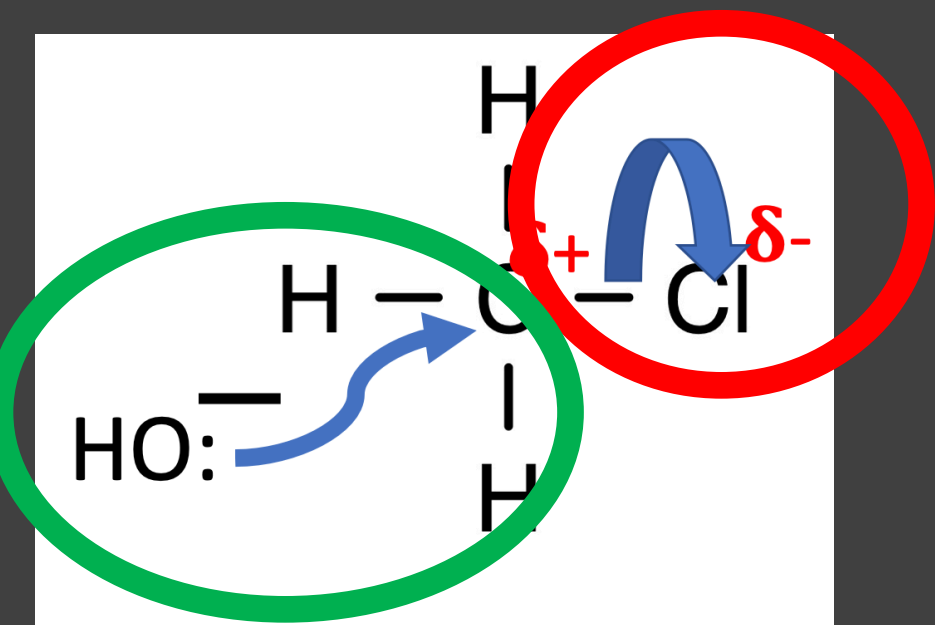


In this step
 OH^- ion attacks the C atom
and the C-X bond breaks



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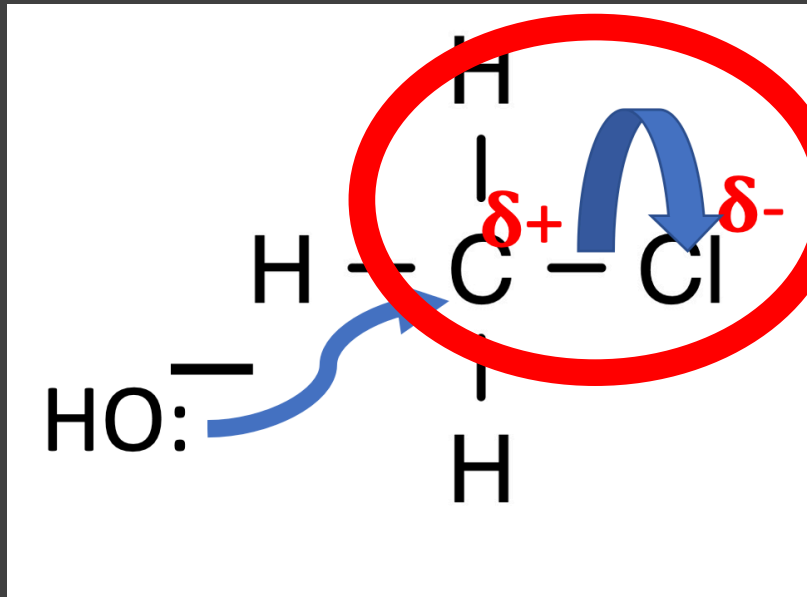
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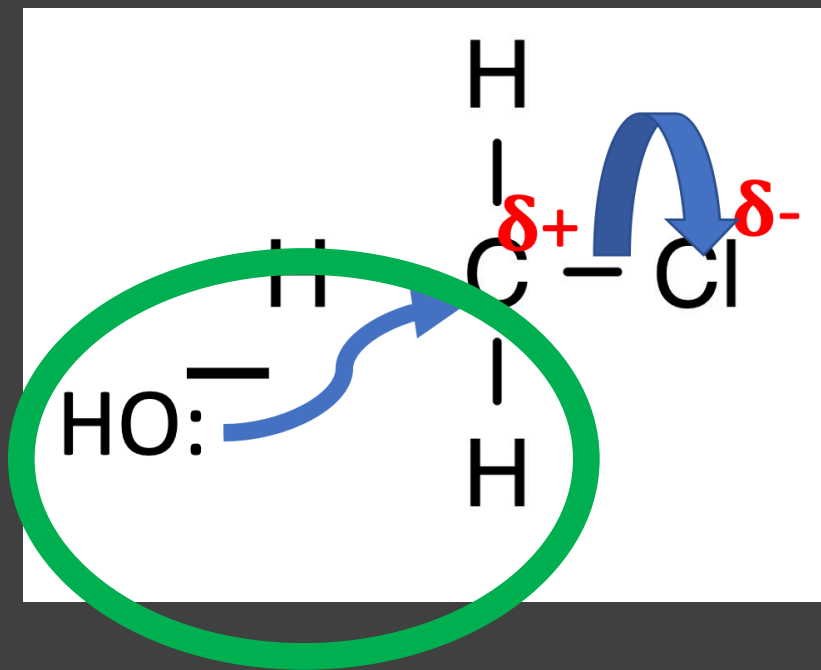
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If the reaction rate decreases as the C- Halogen bond polarity decreases, then the attack of the nucleophile must be the most significant factor in determining how fast this step takes place.

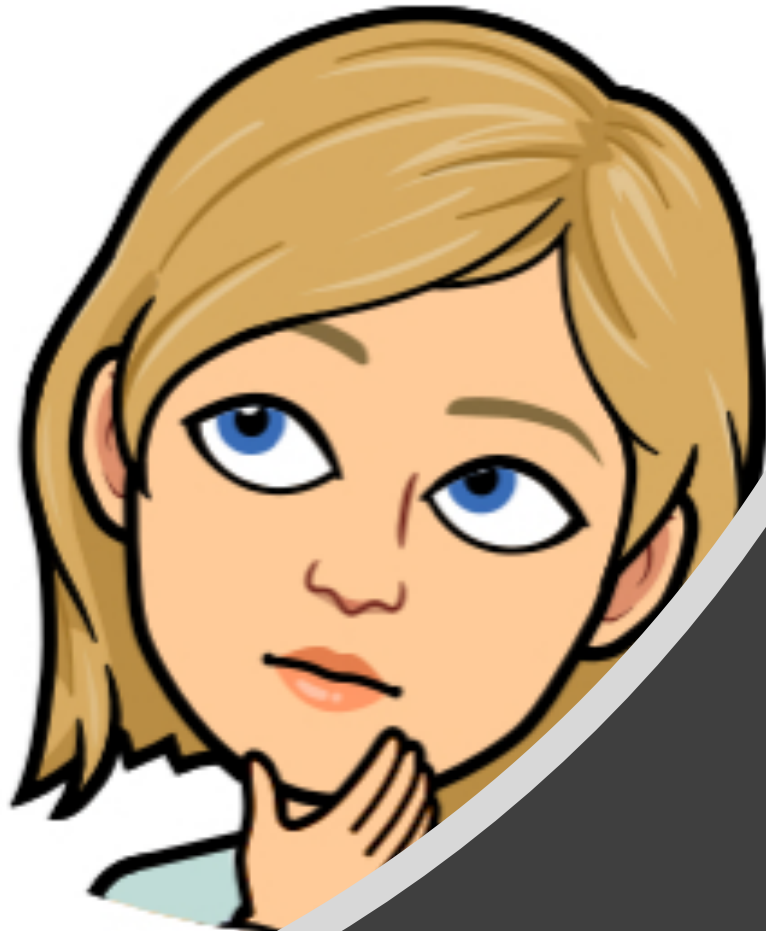
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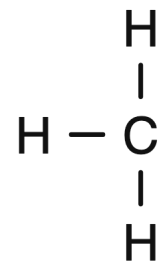
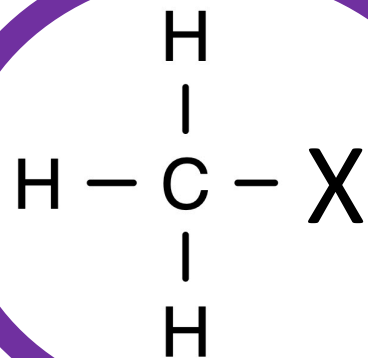
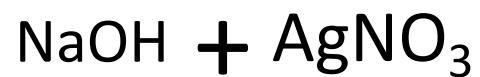
Investigating the Rate of Hydrolysis of Haloalkanes



How can we investigate this reaction experimentally?

We can time how long it takes for a precipitate of the silver halide to be produced if we add silver nitrate to the solution.

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Hints
coming up..

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Which solvent will hydrogen bond and mix with water **and** has a carbon chain?

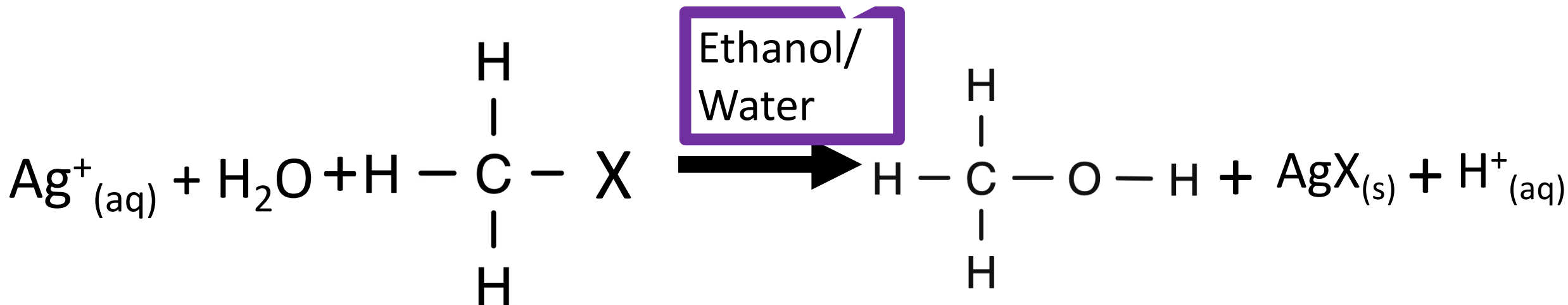
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The reaction will occur in water due to the OH^- ions being present but slowly

Experimental Details

Mix of H₂O/Ethanol allows the reactants to mix.



Warm in using a water bath at 50°C

Heating at 50 °C in a water bath ensures constant temperature and reaction is fast enough

Time how long it takes for a precipitate of AgX to appear.

$$\text{Rate} \propto \frac{1}{\text{Time}}$$

The time for a precipitate of AgX to appear increases in the order:

C-I Shortest time/Fastest Rate

C-Br

C-Cl Longest time/Slowest Rate

Therefore the strength of the C-X bond determines the rate of reaction.

As the halogen gets larger, the C-X bond gets longer and weaker and breaks more easily.

A ball-and-stick molecular model is shown in the background, rendered in a dark, semi-transparent style. It features a central blue sphere, several black spheres, and several white spheres connected by grey rods. The model is positioned behind the text, which is overlaid on a dark grey background.

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