B.Sc. Semester-II Core Course-III (CC-III) Organic Chemistry-I



IV. Aromatic Hydrocarbons

6. Nitration and Sulfonation of Aromatic Ring



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10 Lectures

Aromaticity: Hückel's rule, aromatic/anti-aromatic/non-aromatic character of arenes, cyclic carbocations/carbanions and heterocyclic compounds with suitable examples.

Electrophilic aromatic substitution: Halogenation, Nitration, Sulphonation and Friedel-Craft's alkylation/acylation with their mechanism. Directing effects of mono-functional groups.

Coverage:

1. Nitration and Sulfonation of Aromatic Ring

Nitration of Aromatic Ring

- The combination of nitric acid and sulfuric acid produces NO₂⁺ (nitronium ion)
- The reaction with benzene produces nitrobenzene



Nitrobenzene

Sulfonation of Aromatic Ring

- Substitution of H by SO₃ (sulfonation)
- Reaction with a mixture of sulfuric acid and SO₃
- Reactive species is sulfur trioxide or its conjugate acid
- Reaction occurs via Wheland intermediate and is reversible



Benzenesulfonic acid

Thank You



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