

INTRODUCTORY ORGANIC CHEMISTRY I --- PROBLEM SET #2

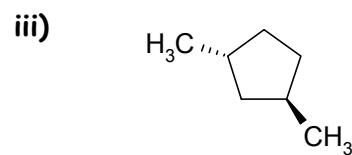
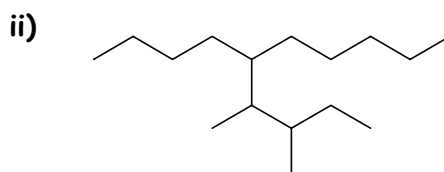
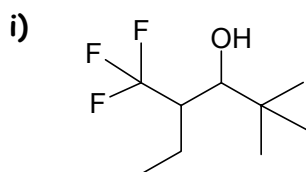
INSTRUCTIONS: HAND IN STAPLED, COMPLETED ASSIGNMENT (no extra pages please) AT THE BEGINNING OF CLASS on Thursday Feb. 17th. LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED (EARLY IS OK). ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS, BUT ONLY 3 WILL BE MARKED. ALL MATERIAL WILL BE COVERED BEFORE THE DUE DATE.

NOTE: In many questions, I have told you to draw relevant interactions/structures/etc. to support your explanations. This should be standard practice any time you are asked to EXPLAIN anything. Next time, I won't explicitly ask for it...

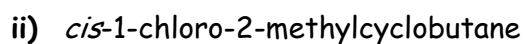
1. Complete the following table about common organic compounds.

| Common name | IUPAC name | Condensed formula | Skeletal (line) structure | More soluble in ethanol <i>or</i> hexane? |
|------------------------------|------------|-------------------|---------------------------|---|
| <i>t</i> -butyl methyl ether | | | | |
| diisopropyl amine | | | | |
| neopentane | | | | |
| cyclohexyl bromide | | | | |

2.a) Provide systematic (IUPAC) names for the following molecules:



2.b) Draw skeletal (line) structures of the following molecules:



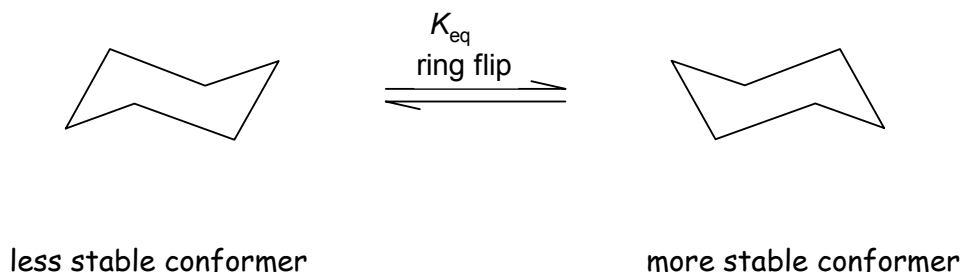
3. Draw condensed Lewis structures for all the constitutional isomers with the formula $C_4H_{11}N$. There are 8 isomers in total. Give their common names, and label them as 1° , 2° or 3° amines.
NOTE: you may draw condensed CH_n groups, but please clearly show all C-N bonds and all Hs.

4.a) Draw the requested representations of the two extreme conformations of 2-fluoroethanol.

| | STAGGERED CONFORMATION | ECLIPSED CONFORMATION |
|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Perspective formula | | |
| Newman projection | | |

b) Staggered conformations are normally preferred because they minimize torsional strain. Explain why a 2-fluoroethanol molecule might spend an unusually large proportion of its time in the eclipsed conformation. Include drawings of relevant interactions.

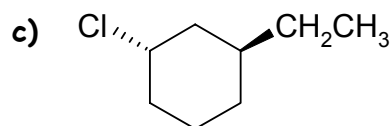
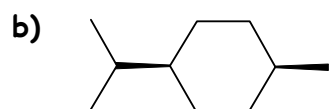
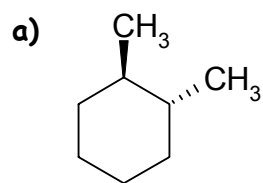
5.a) Draw the necessary substituents on the rings to complete the "ring-flipping" equilibrium for ethylcyclohexane. On each conformer, label the substituent as "axial" or "equatorial". Justify your assignment of the chair conformers' relative stabilities (*notice the labels underneath the chairs*) by identifying (drawing *and* naming) the relevant intramolecular interactions.



b) The ring-flipping equilibrium constant, K_{eq} , is 21 for ethylcyclohexane at room temperature. Calculate the proportion of molecules (as a %) that have the more stable conformation in a sample of this liquid.

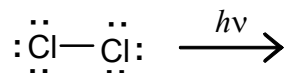
6. Draw the interconversion of chair conformations (ring-flipping) for the following disubstituted cyclohexanes, and circle the more stable conformer.

[Table 2.10 of Bruice may be helpful for predicting the relative bulkiness of substituents.]

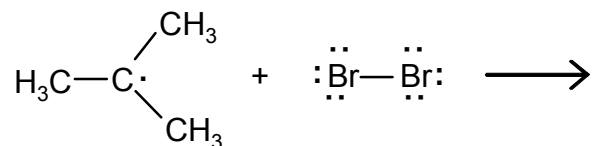


7. Curved "half-arrows" (\curvearrowright) are used to denote movement of single electrons, whereas full arrows (\longrightarrow) are used for describing the movement of electron pairs. Write appropriate curved arrow mechanisms for the following processes, and draw the expected radical products:

a) light-induced homolytic cleavage of a chlorine-chlorine bond



b) abstraction of a bromine atom from Br_2 by a *t*-butyl radical



8. If propane is treated with bromine in the presence of light, what will be the major monobrominated product: 2-bromopropane *or* 1-bromopropane? Explain your choice by discussing the mechanism of the reaction (hint: consider relative stabilities of intermediate species involved). Draw structures and/or write reactions to support your arguments.

