

C-C bond formation

Pre-lesson assignment – Textbook pg 490-493

Revise the following key terms in context

- Nucleophilic substitution
- Nucleophilic addition
- Electrophilic substitution
- Reduction

Make notes on C-C bond formation

Use the following questions to structure your notes.

1. Describe the formation of a C-C bond by the reaction of haloalkanes with CN^-
 - a. Write a mechanism for this reaction.
2. Describe the formation of a C-C bond by the reaction of aldehydes and ketones with CN^-
 - a. Explain why HCN is not used.
 - b. Write an equation to show how HCN is produced *in situ*.
 - c. Write a mechanism for this reaction.
3. Describe the production of...
 - a. Amines from nitriles
 - b. Carboxylic acids from nitriles
4. Describe the alkylation of a benzene ring.
 - a. Write a mechanism for this reaction
 - b. Show equations for the formation of a $[\text{C}_2\text{H}_5]^+$ electrophile and the regeneration of the AlCl_3 catalyst.
5. Describe the acylation of a benzene ring
 - a. Write a mechanism for this reaction
 - b. Show equations for the formation of the $[\text{COC}_2\text{H}_5]^+$ electrophile and the regeneration of the AlCl_3 catalyst.