Organic Compounds Containing Halogens

TOPIC 1 Haloalkane

01 CH₃CH₂COO⁻Na⁺ NaOH +?

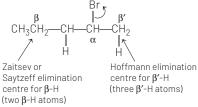
 $CH_3CH_3 + Na_2CO_3$ Consider the above reaction and identify the missing reagent/chemical. [NEET 2021] $(a)B_{2}H_{6}$ (b) Red phosphorus (c)CaO (d) DIBAL-H

Ans. (c)

In this reaction, removal of carbon dioxide takes place. So, this is a decarboxylation reaction. A decarboxylation reaction takes place with soda lime (NaOH + CaO). So, missing reagent is CaO.

- 02 Elimination reaction of 2-bromo-pentane to form pent-2-ene is
 - 1. β -elimination reaction.
 - 2. Follows Zaitsev rule.
 - 3. Dehydrohalogenation reaction.
 - 4. Dehydration reaction. [NEET (Sep.) 2020] (a)(1),(3),(4) (b)(2),(3),(4) (c)(1),(2),(4) (d)(1), (2), (3)

Ans. (d)



Strong base → CH₃CH₂-CH₂-CH=CH₂ -HBr Pent-1-ene (Hofmann product) [Minor] CH₃CH₂-CH=CH-CH₃

Pent-2-ene (cis+trans) (Zaitsev product) [Major]

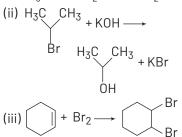
In the above reaction, β -elimination takes place via E2 mechanism (anti-elimination).

According to Zaitsev rule, β -carbon carrying lesser number of H-atoms get involved in the elimination to give a more substituted alkene (pent-2-ene) as the major product.

Here, loss of HBr, i.e. dehydrobromination (dehydrohalogenation) takes place. So, 1, 2 and 3 are correct combination.

03 For the following reactions, [NEET 2016, Phase I]

(i) $CH_3CH_2CH_2Br + KOH \rightarrow$ $CH_3CH = CH_2 + KBr + H_2O$



Which of the following statements is correct?

- (a) (i) is elimination reaction, (ii) is substitution and (iii) is addition reaction
- (b) (i) is elimination, (ii) and (iii) are substitution reactions

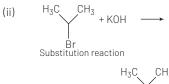
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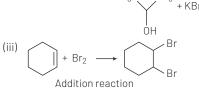
- (c) (i) is substitution, (ii) and (iii) are addition reactions
- (d) (i) and (ii) are elimination reactions and (iii) is addition reaction

Ans. (a)

(i) $CH_3CH_2CH_2Br + KOH \rightarrow$

 $CH_3CH = CH_2 + KBr + H_2O$ Elimination reaction





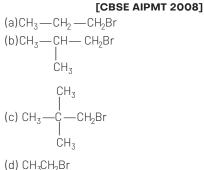
 $\boldsymbol{04}~\text{In a S}_\text{N}2$ substitution reaction of the

type $R - Br + Cl^{-}$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{DMF}}$$

 $R \longrightarrow CI + Br^{-}$

Which one of the following has the highest relative rate?



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Ans. (d)

Aprotic solvents like DMF increases the reactivity of nucleophile and favours $\mathbb{S}_{\rm N}2$ reaction.

The relative reactivity of alkyl halides towards $S_N 2$ reactions is as follows $CH_3 - X > Primary > Secondary >$

Tertiary

However, if the primary alkyl halide or the nucleophile/base is sterically hindered the nucleophile will have difficulty to getting the back side of the α -carbon as a result of this, the elimination product will be predominant. Here, CH_3CH_2Br is the least hindered, hence it has the highest relative rate towards $S_{\rm N}2$ reaction.

05 Which of the following undergoes nucleophilic substitution exclusively by S_N1mechanism?

[CBSE AIPMT 2005]

(a) Benzyl chloride(b) Ethyl chloride(c) Chlorobenzene(d) Isopropyl chloride

Ans. (a)

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Aliphatic}\,S_N\,1\mbox{reaction}\ is\ carried\ out\ in two\ steps.\ In\ form\ of\ slow\ step \\ \mbox{Step}\ (i)\ carbonium\ (carbocation)\ ion\ is \\ formed\ and\ its\ formation\ is\ based\ upon\ the\ stability \end{array}$

Stability order of carbocation benzylic carbocation (resonating stable)

 $C_6H_5 \stackrel{+}{CH_2} > CH_3 \stackrel{+}{\longrightarrow} CH - CH_3$ $2^{\circ} \text{ carbocation} > CH_3 - CH_2$

1º carbocation

and in step (ii) nucleophile is attracted towards the carbonium ion in form of fast step to give final product.

Hence, in benzyl chloride, ethyl chloride and isopropyl chloride order of $S_N 1$ reaction is benzyl chloride > isopropyl chloride > ethyl chloride.

In chlorobenzene, mechanism of $\rm S_N1$ reaction differ to aliphatic alkyl halide. The aryl halides are much less reactive as compared to alkyl halides, towards nucleophilic reagents in either \rm S_N1 or $\rm S_N2$ reaction.

The carbon-halogen bond in the aryl halide is quite strong and only forcing conditions can break up this bond. Hence,

Step(i)

 $C_6H_5CH_2 - CI \xrightarrow{Slow} C_6H_5CH_2 + CI^-$ Rate ∝ $[C_6H_5CH_2CI]$ (First order kinetics) Step(ii)

 $C_{6}H_{E} \longrightarrow C_{6}H_{2} + Nu^{-} \longrightarrow C_{6}H_{E}CH_{2}Nu$

06 Chloropicrin is obtained by the reaction of [CBSE AIPMT 2004]

(a) steam on carbon tetrachloride
(b) nitric acid on chlorobenzene
(c) chlorine on picric acid
(d) nitric acid on chloroform

Ans. (d)

Chloroform on reaction with nitric acid gives chloropicrin (nitro chloroform). Its reaction is shown below

 $\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{CHCl}_3 & + \mathsf{HNO}_3 \rightarrow & \mathsf{C(NO}_2)\mathsf{Cl}_3 & + \mathsf{H}_2\mathsf{O} \\ \\ \mathsf{Chloroform} & & \mathsf{Nitro \ chloroform} \\ & & (\mathsf{chloropicrin}) \end{array}$

07 Which of the following is responsible for depletion of the ozone layer in the upper strata of the atmosphere?

[CBSE AIPMT 2004] (b) Ferrocenes

(d) Freons

(a) Polyhalogens (c) Fullerenes

Ans. (d)

Freons or chlorofluoro carbons are responsible for depletion of the ozone layer in the upper strata of the atmosphere. They are used as propellants, aerosol spray caps, refrigerants, fire fighting reagents, etc. They are stable and chemically inert compounds. They absorb UV-radiation and break down liberating free atomic chlorine which causes decomposition of ozone through free radical reaction. This results in the depletion of the ozone layer. They form free radical of chlorine in presence of UV-radiation. Such free radical decomposes 0₃ as follows :

 $\begin{array}{c} \mathrm{Cl}^{\bullet} + \mathrm{O}_3 \rightarrow \mathrm{ClO}^{\bullet} + \mathrm{O}_2 \\ \mathrm{ClO}^{\bullet} + \mathrm{O}_3 \rightarrow \underset{\begin{array}{c} \mathrm{ClO}^{\bullet} + \mathrm{2O}_2 \\ \mathrm{Chlorine \ free} \\ \mathrm{radical} \end{array}$

08 When $CH_3CH_2CHCl_2$ is treated with NaNH₂, the product formed is [CBSE AIPMT 2002] (a) $CH_3 - CH = CH_2$ (b) $CH_3 - C = CH$ (c) CH_3CH_2CH NH₂ (d) CH_3CH_2CH NH₂

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Ans. (b)

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$$CH_3CH_2CI \xrightarrow{NaCN} X \xrightarrow{Ni/H_2} Y$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Acetic anhydride}} Z$$

In above reaction sequence, Z is [CBSE AIPMT 2002]

(a) $CH_3CH_2CH_2NHCOCH_3$ (b) $CH_3CH_2CH_2NH_2$ (c) $CH_3CH_2CH_2CONHCH_3$

(d) CH₃CH₂CH₂CONHCOCH₃

Ans. (a)

 $\begin{array}{c} \mathrm{CH}_{3}\mathrm{CH}_{2}\,\mathrm{CI} \xrightarrow{\mathrm{NaCN}} \mathrm{CH}_{3} - \underset{X}{\mathrm{CH}_{2}} - \operatorname*{CN}_{X} \\ \xrightarrow{\mathrm{Ni/H}_{2}} \mathrm{CH}_{3} - \underset{Y}{\mathrm{CH}_{2}}\, \operatorname*{CH}_{2}\mathrm{NH}_{2} \xrightarrow{\mathrm{Acetic}}_{\mathrm{anhydride}} \end{array}$

$$CH_3 - CH_2 - CH_2 - NHCOCH_3$$

10 Reactivity order of halides for dehydrohalogenation is

[CBSE AIPMT 2002]

(a) R-F > R-CI > R-Br > R-I(b) R-I > R-Br > R-CI > R-F(c) R-I > R-CI > R-Br > R-F(d) R-F > R-I > R-Br > R-CI

Ans. (b)

F, Cl, Br and I are the elements of VII A group. In a group atomic radii increases from top to bottom and the bond dissociation energy decreases as

R-F > R-CI > R-Br > R-I

So, during dehydrohalogenation R—I bond breaks more easily than R—I bond. Hence, order of reactivity will be

R-I > R-Br > R-CI > R-F

 An organic compound A(C₄H₉Cl) on reaction with Na/diethyl ether gives a hydrocarbon which on monochlorination gives only one chloro derivative, then A is [CBSE AIPMT 2001]

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(a) t-butyl chloride
(b) s-butyl chloride
(c) iso-butyl chloride
(d) n-butyl chloride

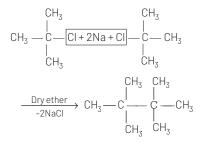
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Ans. (a)

Alkyl halides reacts with Na in presence of dry ether to form alkanes. This reaction is known as Wurtz reaction.

$$R \longrightarrow \frac{1}{2Na + X} R$$
$$\xrightarrow{Dry \text{ ether}} R \longrightarrow R + 2NaX$$

In the given question t-butyl chloride C_4H_9CI is A. It reacts with Na metal in dry ether to form a hydrocarbon that on chlorination gives only one monochloro derivative.



2, 2, 3, 3-tetramethnyl-butane

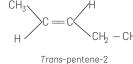
12 2-bromopentane is heated with potassium ethoxide in ethanol. The major product obtained is [CBSE AIPMT 1998]

(a) 2-ethoxypentane(b) pentene-1(c) trans-pentene-2(d) cis-pentene-2

Ans. (c)

$$CH_3 - CH - CH_2 - CH_2 - CH_3 \xrightarrow{C_2H_5 O^-K^+}$$

$$CH_3 - CH_2 - CH_2 - CH_3 - (-Br^-) - H^+$$



13 The alkyl halide is converted into an alcohol by [CBSE AIPMT 1997]

- (a) addition
- (b) substitution
- (c) dehydrohalogenation
- (d) elimination

Ans. (b)

 $RCI + NaOH(aq) \longrightarrow ROH + NaCI$ It is an example of nucleophilic substitution reaction.

- 14 When chlorine is passed through propene at 400°C, which of the following is formed?
 (a) PVC [CBSE AIPMT 1993]
 (b) Allyl chloride
 - (c) Nickel chloride
 - (d)1,2-dichloro ethane

Ans. (b)

When chlorine gas is reacted with propene at high temperature (400°C), then substitution occurs in place of addition reaction. Hence, allyl chloride is formed

 $CH = CH_2 + HCI$

15 Industrial preparation of chloroform employs acetone and [CBSE AIPMT 1993]

- (a) phosgene(b) calcium hypochlorite(c) chlorine gas
- (d) sodium chloride

Ans. (b)

The industrial preparation of chloroform involves the following steps : (i) CaOCl₂ + H₂O \longrightarrow Ca(OH)₂ + Cl₂ (ii) CH₃COCH₃ + 3Cl₂ \longrightarrow CCl₃COCH₃ + 3HCl (iii) Ca O_1^{H} CCl₃ + COCH₃ O_1^{H} CCl₃ + COCH₃ 2CHCl₃ + CH_3 COO 2CHCl₃ + CH_3 COO CH₃COO CH₃COO

16 When hydrochloric acid gas is treated with propene in presence of benzoyl peroxide, it gives [CBSE AIPMT 1993]

- (a) 2-chloropropane
- (b) alkyl chloride (c) no reaction (d) n-propyl chloride

Ans. (a)

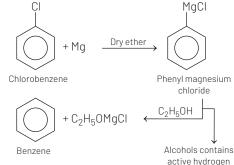
Kharasch effect or peroxide effect is only observed in case of addition of HBr to unsymmetrical alkenes, so the addition of HCl with propene takes place as usual by Markownikoff's rule

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{CH}_3 \; \mathsf{CH} = \; \mathsf{CH}_2 \; + \; \mathsf{HCI} \xrightarrow[\ \ peroxide \ \]} \\ \mathsf{CH}_3 \longrightarrow \mathsf{CH}_3 \longrightarrow \mathsf{CH}_3 \longrightarrow \mathsf{CH}_3 \\ \mathsf{CH}_3 \longrightarrow \mathsf{CH}_3 \longrightarrow \mathsf{CH}_3 \\ \mathsf{CH}_3 \longrightarrow \mathsf{CH}_3 \longrightarrow \mathsf{CH}_3 \end{array}$$

CL

- 17 Chlorobenzene reacts with Mg in dry ether to give a compound (A) which further reacts with ethanol to yield [CBSE AIPMT 1993]
 (a) phenol
 (b) benzene
 - (c) ethyl benzene
 - (d) phenyl ether

Ans. (b)



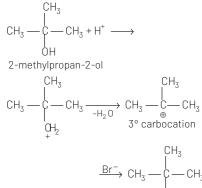
18 HBr reacts fastest with

[CBSE AIPMT 1992]

(a) 2-methyl propan-1-ol
(b) 2-methyl propan-2-ol
(c) propan-2-ol
(d) propan-1-ol

Ans. (b)

2-methylpropan-2-ol gives 3° carbocation, so it reacts with HBr at faster speed.



19 In compound X' all the bond angles are exactly 109°28', X' is [CBSE AIPMT 1991]

(a) chloromethane
(b) carbon tetrachloride
(c) iodoform
(d) chloroform

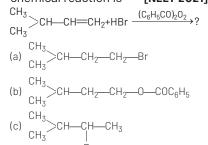
Ans. (b)

Carbon tetrachloride (CCl_4) have sp^3 hybridisation and symmetrical

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structure, so it have all the bond angle (c of 109°28′. 109°28' CI sp³ hybridised CI Tetrahedral structure 20 The CI-C-CI angle in 1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethene and tetrachloromethane will be about [CBSE AIPMT 1988] (a) 120° and 109°28' (b) 90° and 109.5° (c) 109.5° and 90° (d) 109.5° and 120° Ans. (a) Carbon sp^2 hybridised 1,1,2,2-tetrachloro ethene 21 Phosgene is a common name for [CBSE AIPMT 1988] (a) phosphonyl chloride (b) thionyl chloride (c) carbon dioxide and phosphine (d) carbonyl chloride Ans. (d) Chloroform is slowly oxidised into a poisonous compound called phosgene in the presence of air or light. This compound is also called carbonyl chloride (COCl₂) $CHCl_3 + \frac{1}{2}O_2 \xrightarrow{Air} COCl_2$ Carbonyl chloride (phosgene)+ HCI**TOPIC 2** Haloarene 22 The major product of the following chemical reaction is [NEET 2021]



d)
$$\frac{CH_3}{CH_3}$$
 CBr—CH₂—CH₃

Ans. (a)

Addition of HBr to an alkene in presence of a peroxide (benzoyl peroxide $[(C_6H_5CO)_2O_2]$ gives an anti-Markownikoff's product. Anti-Markownikoff's rule states that hydrogen is added to a more substituted carbon atom of an unsymmetrical alkene.

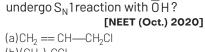
$$CH_3$$
 >CH—CH=CH₂+HBr $(C_6H_5CO)_2O_2$
CH₃ 3-methylbutene

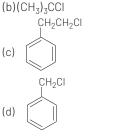
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CH₃ CH₃CH—CH₂—CH₂—Br + 1-bromo-3-methyl butane (Maior)

> CH₃ CH₃ 2-bromo, 3-methyl butane(Minor)

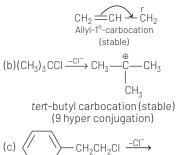
23 Which of the following will not





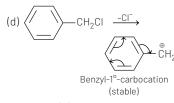


An S_N 1 reaction proceeds through formation of a stable carbocation as an intermediate. Here, (a) $CH_2 = CH - CH_2CI \xrightarrow{-CI^-}$





1°-carbocation (less stable due to –l effect of the phenyl group)



So, option (c) will not undergo $S_N 1$ reaction with OH^- .

${\bf 24}~{\rm The~compound}\,{\rm C}_7{\rm H}_8$ undergoes

the following reactions :

 $C_{7}H_{8} \xrightarrow{3Cl_{2}/\Delta} A \xrightarrow{Br_{2}/Fe} B \xrightarrow{Zn/HCl} C$

The product 'C' is [NEET 2018]

(a) 3-bromo-2, 4, 6-trichlorotoluene
(b) *o*-bromotoluene
(c) *m*-bromotoluene
(d) *p*-bromotoluene

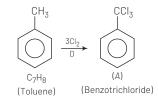
Ans. (c)

Given,

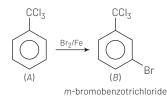
 $C_7H_8 \xrightarrow{3Cl_2/\Delta} A \xrightarrow{Br_2/Fe} B \xrightarrow{Zn/HCl} C$

The reaction in the above road map can be explained by the following steps.

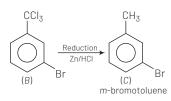
Step I Toluene (A) undergoes side chain halogenation with excess of chlorine to give benzotrichloride (A).



Step II In compound (A), the substituent CCI_3 is an electron withdrawing group, so the electrophile will attack at *m*-position. Thus, benzotrichloride reacts with bromine in presence of Fe- catalyst to give *m*-bromobenzotrichloride (B).



Step III *m*-bromobenzotrichloride undergoes reduction with Zn in presence of HCl to give *m*-bromotoluene (*C*).



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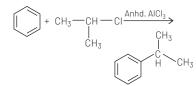
25 Which of the following can be used as the halide component for Friedel-Crafts reaction?

[NEET 2016, Phase II]

- (a) Chlorobenzene
- (b) Bromobenzene
- (c) Chloroethene
- (d) Isopropyl chloride

Ans. (d)

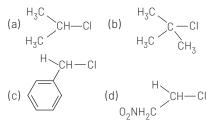
Key Idea In chlorobenzene, bromobenzene and chloroethene, Ione pair of halogen is delocalised with π -bonds so it attains double bond character. Thus, these are not suitable as a halide component for Friedel-Crafts reaction.



Other halides, i.e. chloro and bromobenzene along with chloroethene have carbon halogen bond as



26 In which of the following compounds, the C–Cl bond ionisation shall give most stable carbonium ion? [CBSE AIPMT 2015]

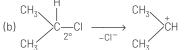


Ans. (c)

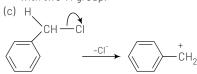
The stability of carbocation follow the order $3^{\circ} > 2^{\circ} > 1^{\circ} >$ methyl. More the number of alkyl group attached with the carbon atom carrying the positive charge greater would be the tendency to stabilise positive charge *via* inductive effect and hence more stable is that carbocation.

This carbocation is more stable due to nine α -hydrogen and (nine

hyperconjugative structures) three +/

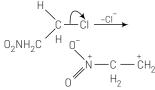


2° carbocation containing 6α-hydrogen showing six hyperconjugative structure along with two +/ group.



Benzyl carbocation

It has slightly lesser stability as compared to 3°-alkyl carbocation due to presence of three electron donating alkyl group in 3°-alkyl carbocation. Although the stabilities of 3° and benzyl carbonium ion are almost same and cannot be compared in solution but whenever a comparison is made between Resonance (the cause of stability in benzyl carbonium ion) and No bond resonance (the cause of stability in 3° carbonium ion) then the former is always preferred hence here in this question benzyl carbonium ion is more stable than 3° carbonium ion. (d)



1° carbocation less stable than all present here.

27 The reaction of $C_6H_5CH=CHCH_3$ with HBr produces [CBSE AIPMT 2015] (a) $C_6H_5CH_2CH_2CH_3$ Br (b) $C_6H_5CH_2CH_2CH_2Br$ $CH=CHCH_3$ (d) $H_5CH_2CH_2CH_2Br$ $CH=CHCH_3$ (d) $C_6H_5CH=CHCH_3 + H^* - Slow \rightarrow C_6H_5CH=CH_2-CH_3$ Stable carbocation

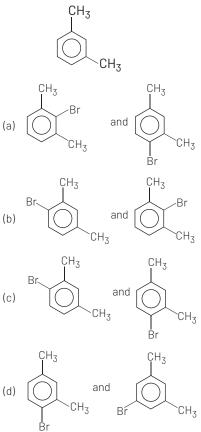
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$$C_6H_5 \longrightarrow CH \longrightarrow CH_2 \longrightarrow CH_3 + Br^- Fast$$

 $C_6H_5 \longrightarrow CH \longrightarrow CH_2 \longrightarrow CH_3$
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Addition product
Electrophilic addition reaction takes

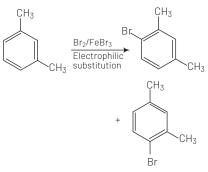
place via more stable carbocation.

28 What products are formed when the following compound is treated with Br₂ in the presence of FeBr₃? [CBSE AIPMT 2014]



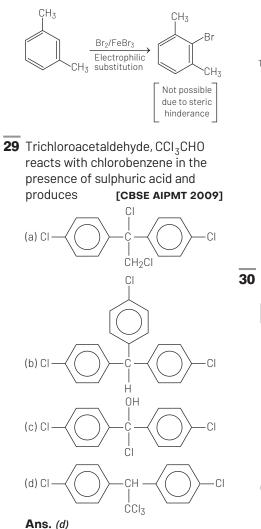
Ans. (c)

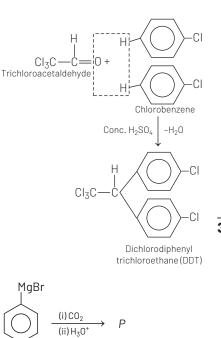
 ${\rm CH}_3$ is a $o/p\mbox{-}{\rm directing}$ group, thus electrophilic substitution reaction of toluene



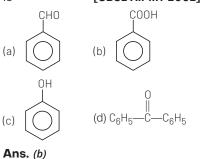
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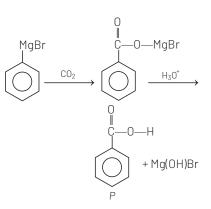
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In the above reaction product 'P ' is [CBSE AIPMT 2002]





31 Replacement Cl of chlorobenzene to give phenol requires drastic conditions but chlorine of 2, 4-dinitro chlorobenzene is readily replaced. This is because

[CBSE AIPMT 1997]

- (a) NO₂ makes the ring electron rich at *ortho* and *para*-positions
- (b) NO₂ withdraw electrons from *meta*-position
- (c) NO₂ donates electrons at *meta*-position
- (d) NO₂ withdraw electrons from *orthol* para-positions

Ans. (d)

---NO₂ group is electron withdrawing group, so it deactivates the benzene ring. Due to electron withdrawing nature of ---NO₂ group, it develops positive charge at *o*/pposition. This cause easier for the removal of ---CI-atom.

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