## **HYDROCARBON**

These are compounds that contain both hydrogen and carbon only

They have a molecular formula of  $C_xH_y$  (note X and y are positive whole numbers).

Sources of Hydrocarbon Natural gas like gaseous fuel petroleum/crude oil Coal as a solid fuel

Saturated and unsaturated Compounds

Saturated Compounds: these are compounds that contain a single covalent bond.

Alkanes
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CH<sub>4</sub> Methane

Alkenes

CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>3</sub> Ethane

CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub> Propane CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub> Butane

Unsaturated Compounds: these are compounds that contain both double and triple bonds.

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$CH_2 = CH_2$	$CH_3CH = CH_2$	$CH_3CH_2CH = CH_2$
Ethene	Propene	1-Butene
Alkynes		
CH = CH	$CH_3C = CH$	$CH_3CH_2C = CH$
Ethyne	Propyne	1-Butyne

## Test for unsaturated compound

Prepared by MAlike Shamel https://www.facebook.com/shamelonlineteaching/ https://sites.google.com/view/shamelonlineteaching/home 1. To test whether the hydrocarbon is unsaturated or saturated Bromine test is performed, which involves the addition of bromine water to the hydrocarbon in question; unsaturated hydrocarbons decolorized the bromine water, whereas saturated hydrocarbon will not decolorize it. Bromine water which is brownish-red on reaction with alkene or alkyne i.e. unsaturated compounds forms di or tetra halo compounds which are colorless in nature. while saturated compounds i.e. alkane do not react with bromine water and the color of bromine water remains the same.

 $C2H6 \ + \ Br2 \ \rightarrow C2H6 \ + \ Br2$ 

 $C_2H_4 + Br_2 \rightarrow C_2H_4Br_2$ 

2. Alkaline potassium permanganate test (Baeyer's test):

In this test the pink color potassium permanganate disappears when alkaline potassium permanganate is added to an unsaturated hydrocarbon. The disappearance of the pink color may take place with or without the formation of a brown precipitate of manganese oxide.

Note: Decolourization of the pink color of KMnO4 indicates unsaturation.

The chemical reaction is given below.

 $2KMnO4 + H2O \rightarrow 2KOH + 2MnO2 + 3[O]$ 

 $-C=C- + H_2O \rightarrow -C(OH)-C(OH)- + KOH$ 

(Colourless)

Another test

They rapidly turn acidified orange potassium heptaoxodichromate (VI) solution to green.

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