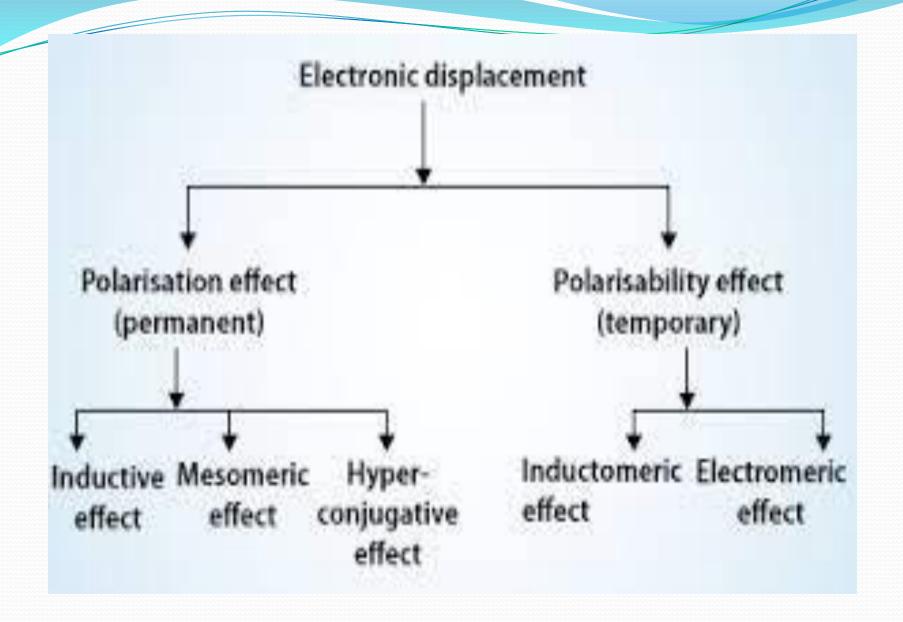
General Organic Chemistry



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Inductive Effect

The inductive effect in a molecule is a local change in the electron density due to electron-withdrawing or electron-donating groups elsewhere in the molecule, resulting in a permanent dipole in a bond. It is present in a σ bond.

• +I Effect

- ➤ When a chemical species with the tendency to release or donate electrons, such as an alkyl group, is introduced to a carbon chain, the charge is relayed through the chain.
- ➤ This effect is called the electronreleasing inductive effect or the +I effect.
- Examples -CH3, C2H5

-I Effect

- When an electronegative atom, such as a halogen, is introduced to a chain of atoms (generally carbon atoms), the resulting unequal sharing of electrons generates a positive charge which is transmitted through the chain.
- ➤ This effect is called the electronwithdrawing inductive effect or the -I effect.

Inductive Effect

- Groups
- -I (electron withdrawing) releasing)

$$NR_3^+ > SR_2^+ > NH_3^+ > NO_2$$

> $SO_2R > CN > SO_2Ar > CO_2H$
> $F > CI > Br > I > OAr > CO_2R$
> $OR > COR > SH > SR > OH$

> SH > C == CR > Ar

Source: March's Advanced Organic Chemistry

Mesomeric Effect

• The polarity developed between atoms of a conjugated system by the electron transfer or pi-bond electron transfer is known as the Mesomeric effect. In simple terms, we can describe mesomeric effect occurs when π electrons move away from or towards a substituent group in a conjugated orbital system.

- ❖ The mesomeric effect can be subdivided into two types:
- 1. +M effect
- 2. -M effect

Mesomeric Effect

+M effect (Positive mesomeric effect)

- When the electrons or the pi electrons are transferred from a particular group towards a conjugate system, thus increasing the electron density of the conjugated system then such a phenomenon is known as (+M) effect or positive mesomeric effect.
- For the +M effect, the group should have either a lone pair of electrons or should have a negative charge.

-M Effect (Negative mesomeric effect)

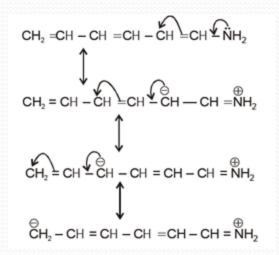
• When the pi-bond electrons are transferred from the conjugate system to a particular group thus the electron density of the conjugate system is decreased, then this phenomenon is known as negative mesomeric (–M) effect.

• For –M effect, the group should have either a positive charge or should have a vacant orbital.

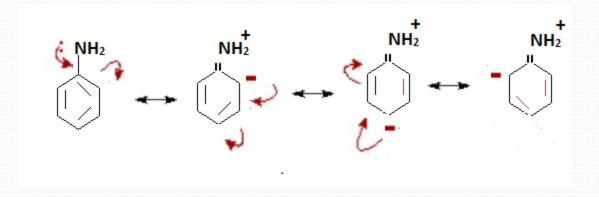
Examples of +M Effect

-NH, -NH₂, -NHR, -NR₂, -O, -OH, -OR, -F, -Cl, -O-COR, -NHCOR, -SH, -SR etc

Example 1-



Example 2-



Examples of -M Effect

 $-NO_2$, -CN, -COX, $-SO_3H$, -CHO, $-CONH_2$, -COR, -COOH, -COOR etc

Example 1-

Example 2-

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