

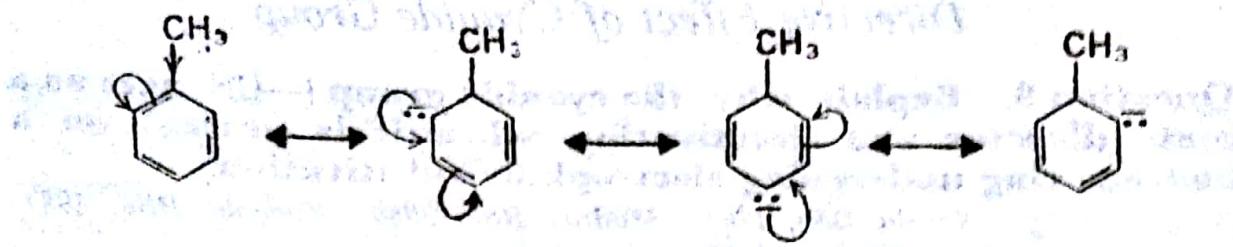
## Directive Effect of Substituents

### Ortho-Para Directors

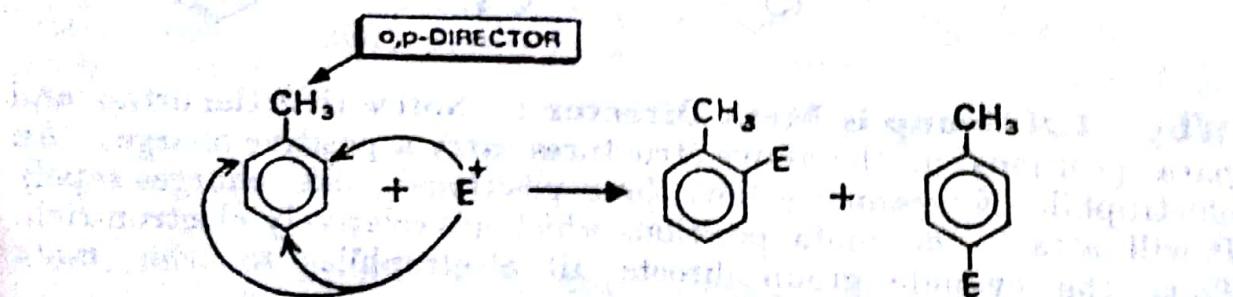
**Question 10.** Explain why the methyl group ( $-\text{CH}_3$ ) acts as an ortho-para director but activating when it is present on a benzene ring undergoing electrophilic substitution.

(Annamalai BSc, 1980; Kerala BSc, 1980; Bangalore BSc, 1981; Udaipur BSc, 1982)

**ANSWER.** Toluene can be represented as a hybrid of the following resonance structures :



**Why  $-\text{CH}_3$  Group is Ortho-Para Director?** In toluene, the  $+I$  effect of the methyl group initiates the mesomeric effect. Notice that the ortho and para positions in the above resonance structures carry a negative charge. An electrophile ( $\text{E}^+$ ) will attack these positions (Opposite charges attract). Thus, the methyl group directs all electrophiles to the ortho and para positions.



**Why  $-\text{CH}_3$  Group is Activating?** (Reminder : The  $-\text{CH}_3$  group is activating. This means that toluene undergoes electrophilic substitution faster than benzene). The methyl group donates electrons to the ring by inductive effect. It increases electron density of the ring and makes it more attractive to an incoming electrophile. Thus, the electrophilic substitution is fast as compared to benzene.

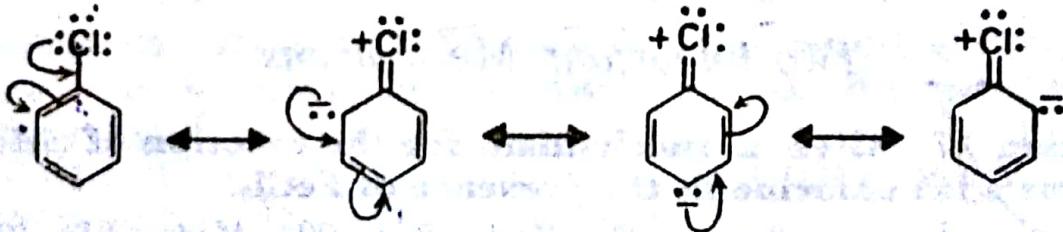
**Question 11.** Explain why toluene undergoes electrophilic substitution faster than benzene.

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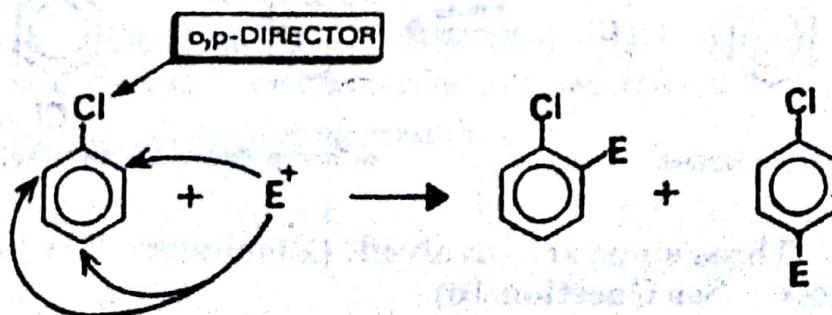
**Question 16.** Explain why the chlorine (or bromine) atom acts as an ortho-para director but deactivating when it is present on a benzene ring undergoing electrophilic substitution.

(Annamalai BSc, 1980 ; Baroda BSc, 1980 ; Delhi BSc, 1980 ; Himachal BSc, 1980 ; Kurukshetra BSc, 1980 ; Nagpur BSc, 1980 ; Punjabi BSc, 1980 ; Udaipur BSc, 1980 ; Guru Nanak Dev BSc, 1981 ; Punjabi BSc, 1981 ; Udaipur BSc, 1981 ; Calcutta BSc, 1982 ; Jammu BSc, 1982 ; Nagpur BSc, 1982 ; Panjab BSc, 1982)

**ANSWER.** Chlorobenzene can be represented as a hybrid of the following resonance structures :



**Why Cl Atom is Ortho-Para Director ?** Notice that the ortho and para positions in the above structures carry a negative charge. An electrophile ( $E^+$ ) will attack these positions (Opposite charges attract). Thus, the chlorine atom directs all electrophiles to the ortho and para positions.

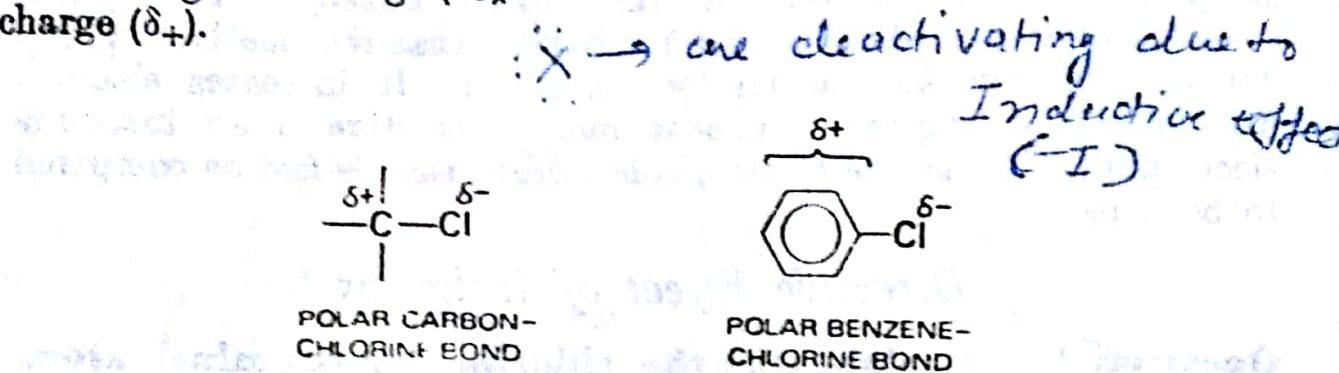


(Chloro)X → undergoes Mesomeric effect & Inductive effect. Mesomeric effect → e<sup>-</sup> releasing & an O<sup>-</sup>, p-direc...  
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 due to resonance or mesomeric effect.

**Why —Cl Atom is Deactivating?** (Reminder : The —Cl atom is deactivating. This means that chlorobenzene undergoes electrophilic substitution more slowly than benzene). This is because two opposing effects operate simultaneously.

**(a) Mesomeric Effect.** The interaction between the lone pair of electrons on chlorine and the  $\pi$  electrons of the ring places negative charge at the ortho and para positions. See the resonance structures. This effect makes —Cl atom o,p-director.

**(b) Inductive Effect.** Opposing the mesomeric effect is an inductive effect. Recall, chlorine is more electronegative than carbon. Therefore, the C—Cl bond is polar. The chlorine atom has a small negative charge ( $\delta_-$ ) and the carbon has a small positive charge ( $\delta_+$ ).



Because carbon is slightly positive, it will pull electrons away from the ring. The lowering of the electron density in the ring caused by this inductive effect makes chlorobenzene less reactive toward electrophilic substitution than benzene.

Combination of these two effects makes chlorobenzene deactivated overall but with o,p-directing effect.

**MEMORISE.** Other halogens (—Br, —I, —F) behave in the same way. That is, they are also o,p-directing but deactivating.

## Two Important Mechanisms

the effect

incoming gr. II, 1040

Reactivity

Ring  $\text{X}$  attached gr. only

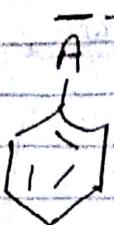
reactivity की है - १८१ तो orientation की २५७  
determines which.

orienting What position of  
the ring

→ reactivity

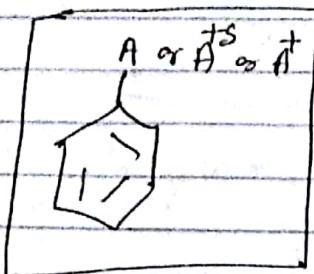
How readily the  
attack

→ Electron releasing group activates the ring for electrophilic substitution reaction.



$\rightarrow$  electron release

↳ while  $e^-$  withdrawing gr decrease  
at  $\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \propto e^t$



→ Other reaction  $\xrightarrow{\text{HNO}_3}$  electrophilic substitution rate depends on the difference b/w the energy of T.S & ground state of the reactants like energy of activation ( $E_{\text{act}}$ ). Since the

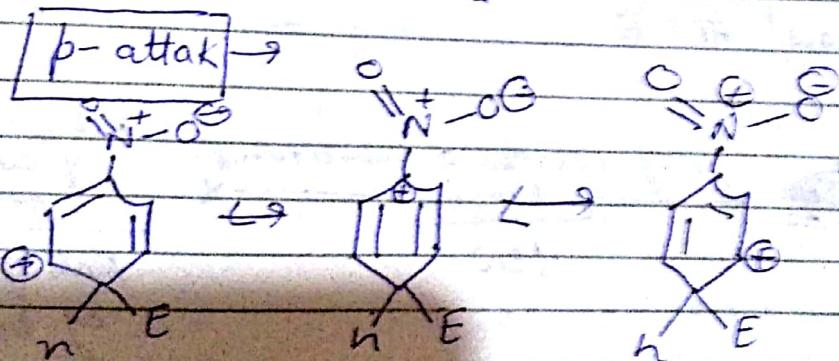
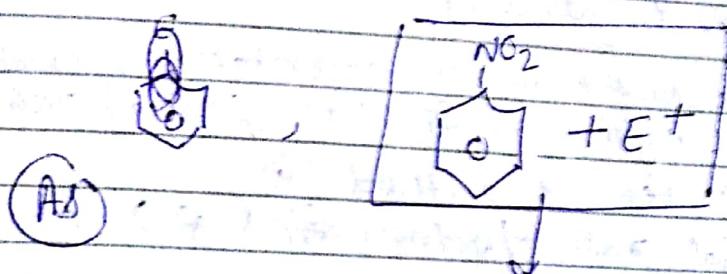
rate determining step of electrophilic aromatic substitution is usually the formation of  $\sigma$ -complex. Ignoring the  $\pi$ -complex.

→ O, P, & m - position पर substitution की  
 रात्रि reactant & T.S (Eact) के बीच energy-  
 barrier की height का depend करते हैं।  
 और कोई नई factor, Substituent का effect  
 Eact को कम कर देता है तो substitution की  
 rate का उल्लंघन & attack के मध्य  
 favoured orientation (position) के लिए  
 इसकी Eact को lowest कर देता है।

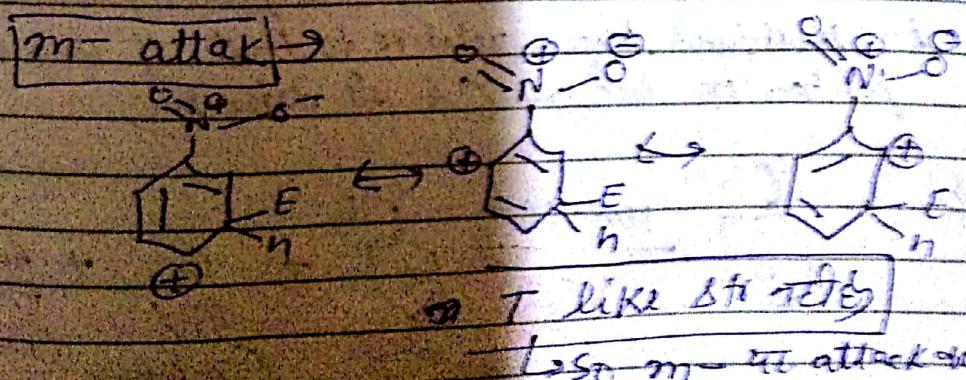
→ दोनों effect यादे same direction में हैं  
 तो reinforce करें और opposite में हैं  
 तो oppose करें

→ so electron donating substituent (Inductive effect or resonance effect,  $\sigma_{\text{ind}}$ ), electrostatic effect exert करते हैं तथा +vely charged σ-complex को stabilize करते हैं तथा so rate of reaction को बढ़ा देते हैं

→ while  $e^-$  withdrawing के लिए  
 की वज्र से  $\sigma$ -complex को destabilize करते हैं तथा  
 +ve charge की intensified करते हैं तो इसकी  
 rate of reaction को घटा देते हैं



destabilizes करते हैं



O- attack  $\rightarrow$  [T 86]

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Orientation in other ring system

$\rightarrow$  Activating powers

-ON, -NR<sub>2</sub>, O<sup>⊖</sup>, -NH<sub>2</sub> > -OR > OCO<sub>2</sub>R > NHCOOCH<sub>3</sub> > CONH<sub>2</sub> > O<sub>2</sub>

$\rightarrow$  Quantitative treatment