

Benzene e composti aromatici

- Benzene struttura e nomenclatura
- Composti aromatici di interesse
- Aromaticità — Regola di Hückel

La **capsaicina** è responsabile del caratteristico sapore piccante dei peperoni jalapeño e habañero. Sebbene produca inizialmente una sensazione di bruciore al contatto con la bocca o la pelle, applicazioni ripetute desensibilizzano l'area al dolore. Per questo viene usato come principio attivo di numerose creme topiche per il trattamento del dolore cronico. La capsaicina è stata anche usata come deterrente negli spray al peperoncino e come additivo per rendere il becchime a prova di scoiattolo.



Squirrels just won't give up

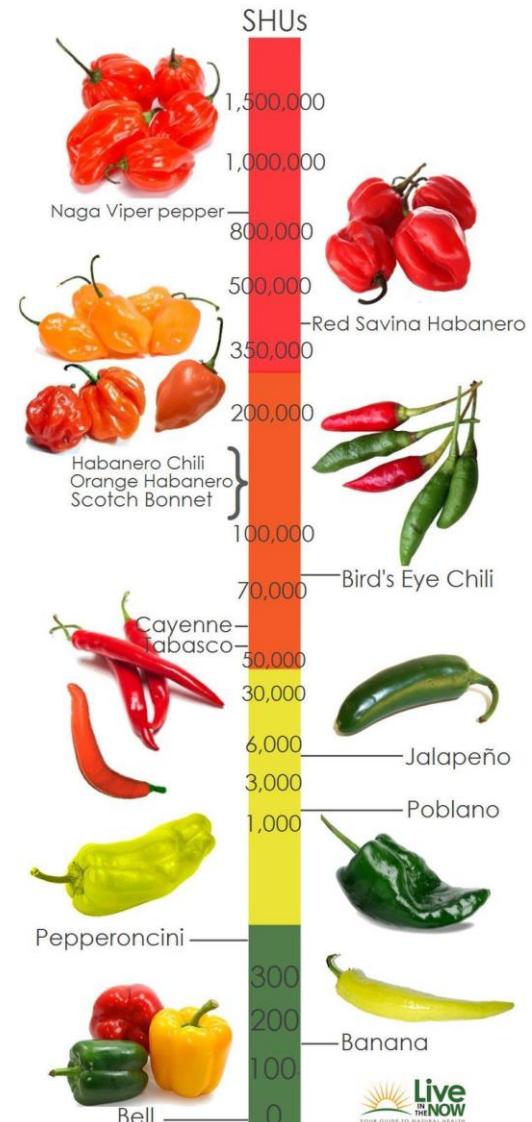


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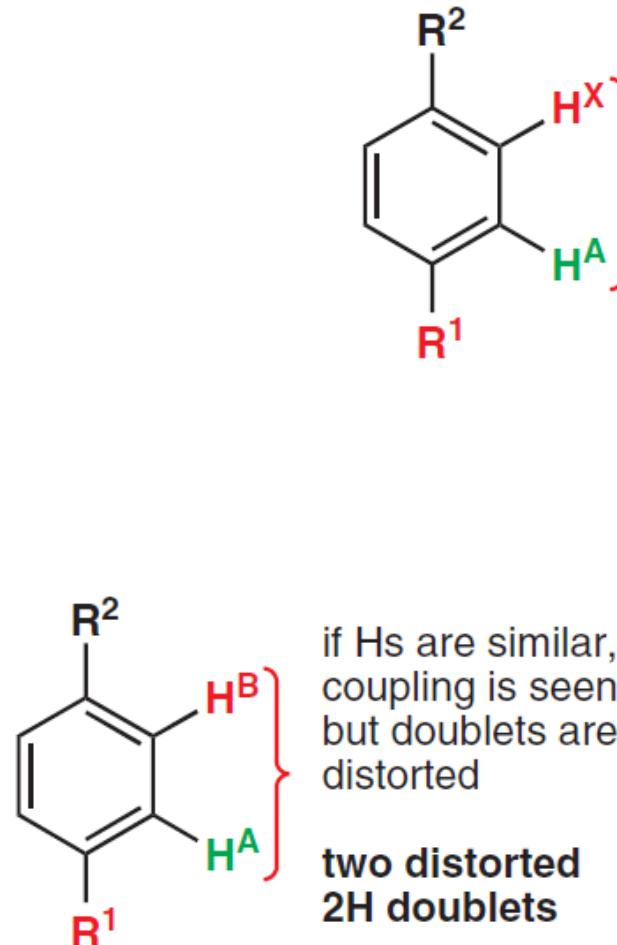
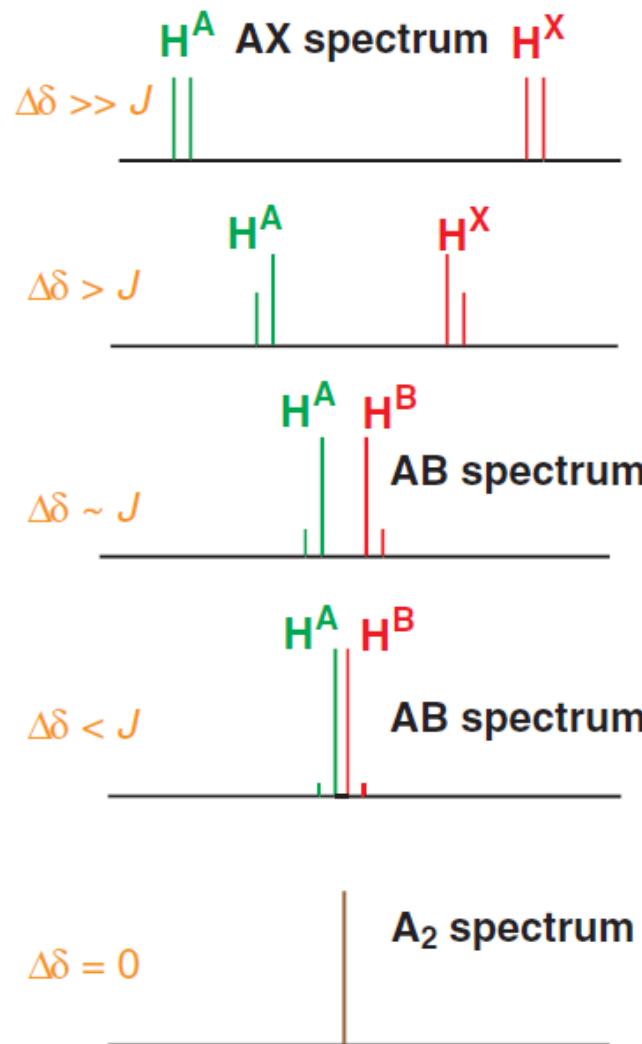
G. Licini, Università di Padova. La riproduzione a fini commerciali è vietata

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Benzene para disostituito - ^1H NMR

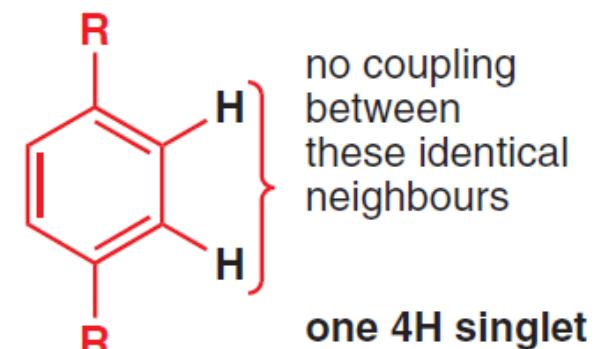


Two different
Hs ($\text{R}^1 \neq \text{R}^2$)
gives two
doublets

**two 2H
doublets**

if Hs are similar,
coupling is seen
but doublets are
distorted

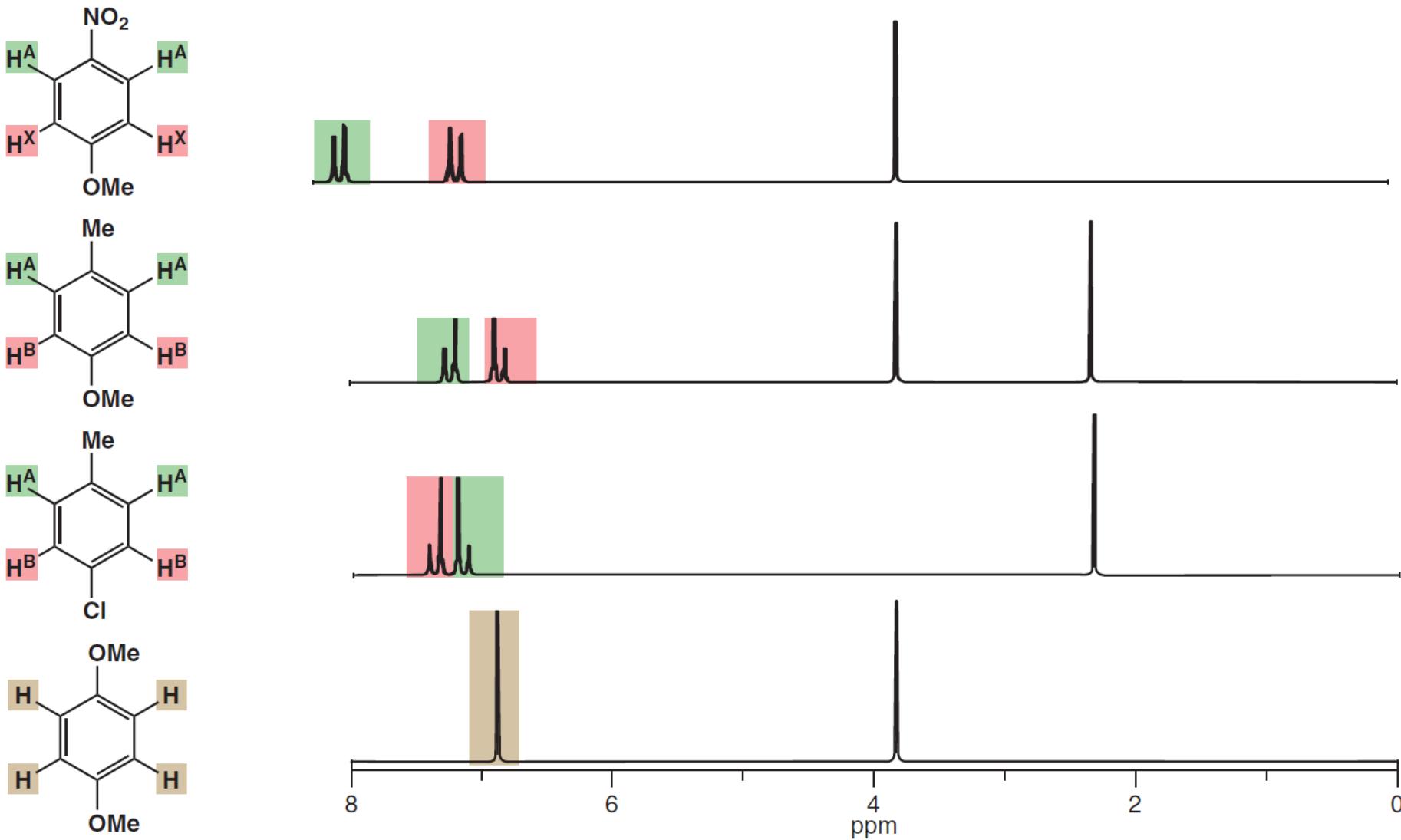
**two distorted
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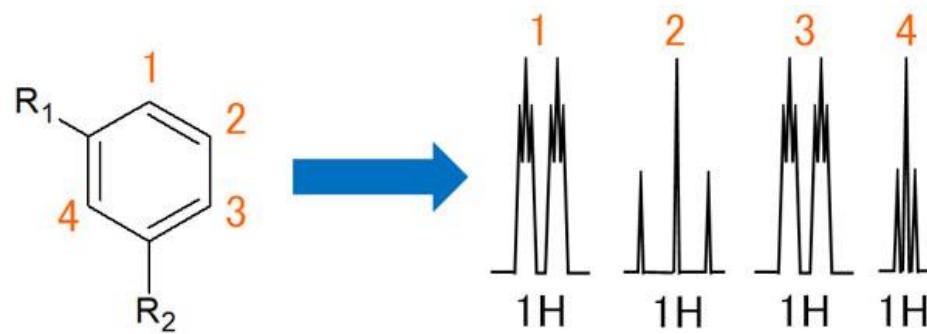
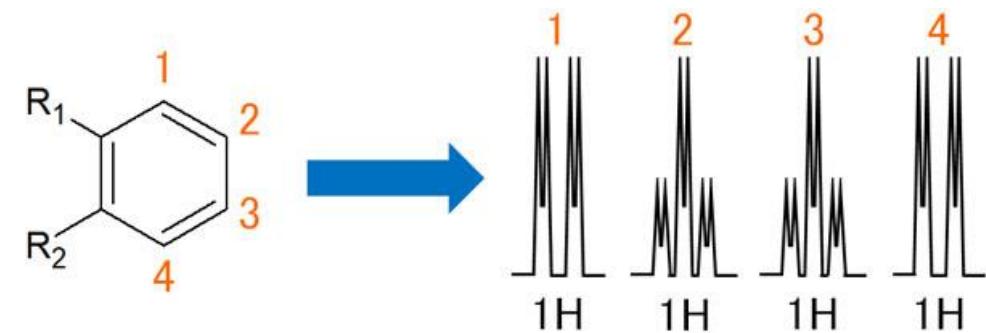
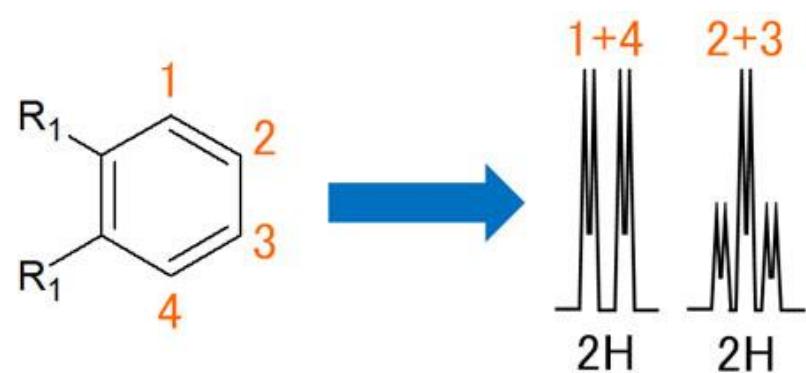
no coupling
between
these identical
neighbours

one 4H singlet

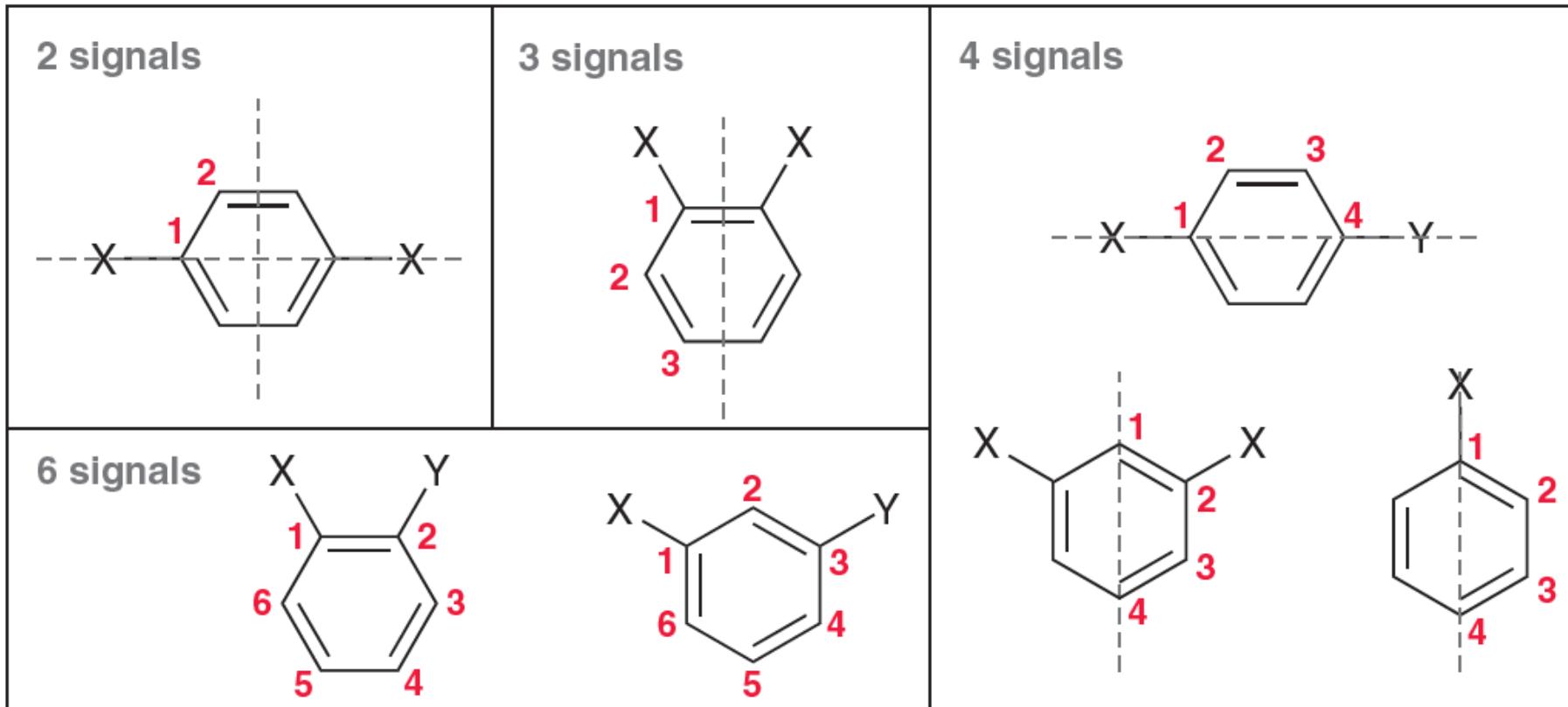
Benzene e derivati - ^1H NMR



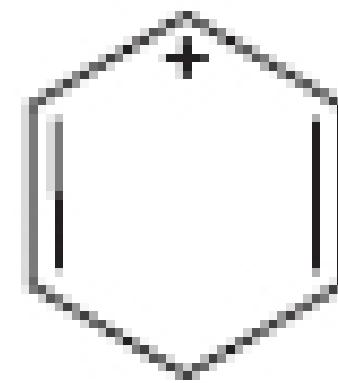
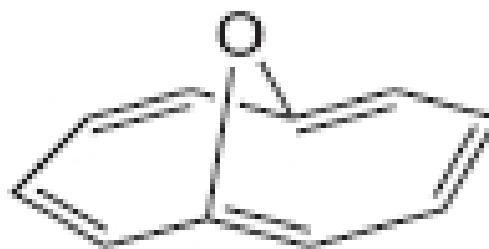
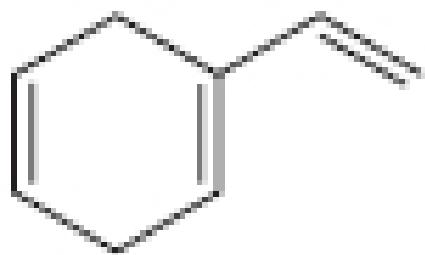
Benzene derivati disostituiti orto - ^1H NMR



Benzene e derivati - ^{13}C NMR

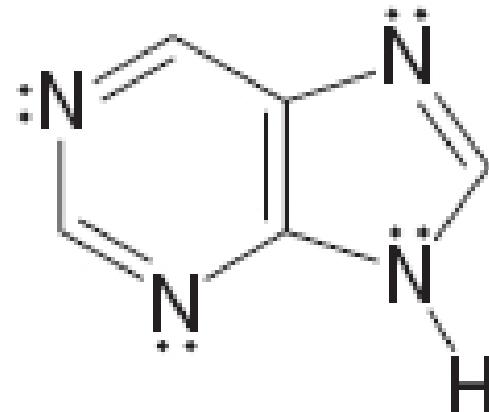


Label each compound as aromatic, antiaromatic, or not aromatic.
Assume all completely conjugated rings are planar.



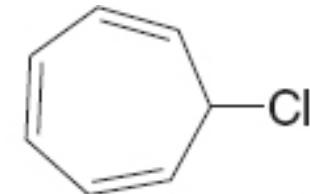
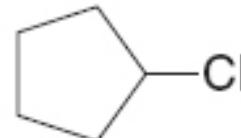
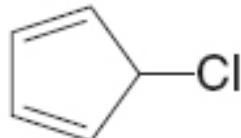
The purine heterocycle occurs commonly in the structure of DNA

- a. How is each N atom hybridized?
- b. In what type of orbital does each lone pair on a N atom reside?
- c. How many π electrons does purine contain?
- d. Is purine aromatic?.



purine

Explain the observed rate of reactivity of the following 2° alkyl halides in an S_N1 reaction

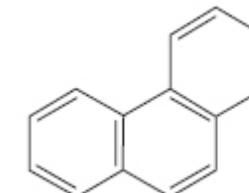


Increasing reactivity

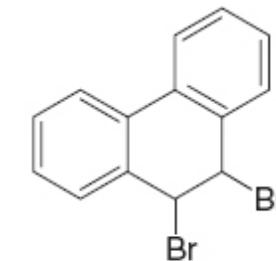
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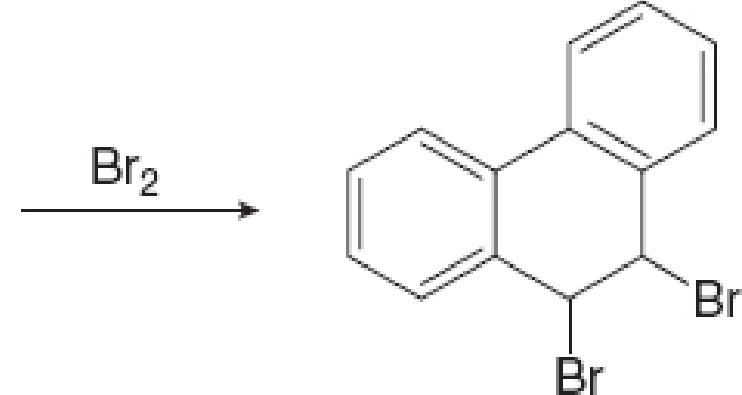
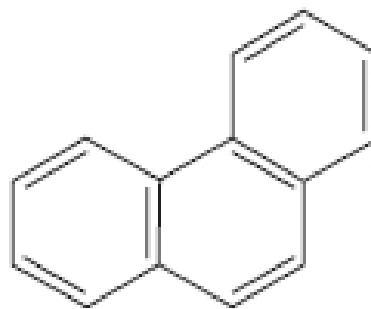
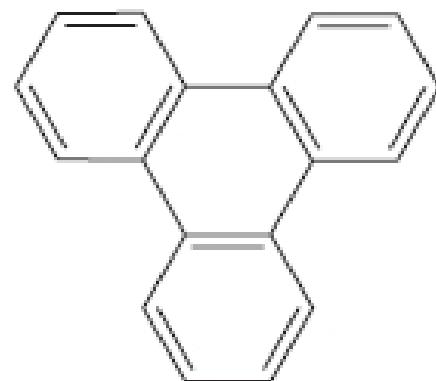
triphenylene



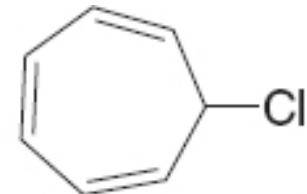
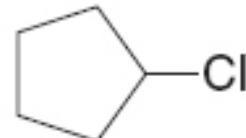
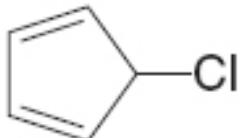
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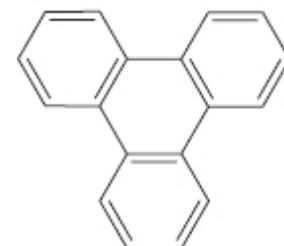


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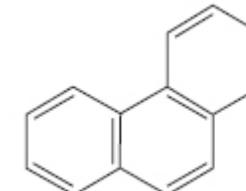


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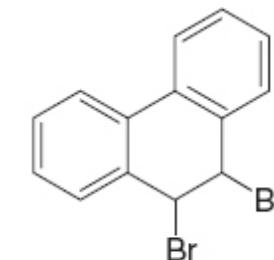
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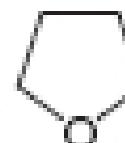
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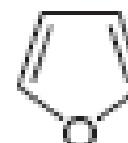
phenanthrene



Explain why tetrahydrofuran has a higher boiling point and is much more water soluble than furan, even though both compounds are cyclic ethers containing four carbons.

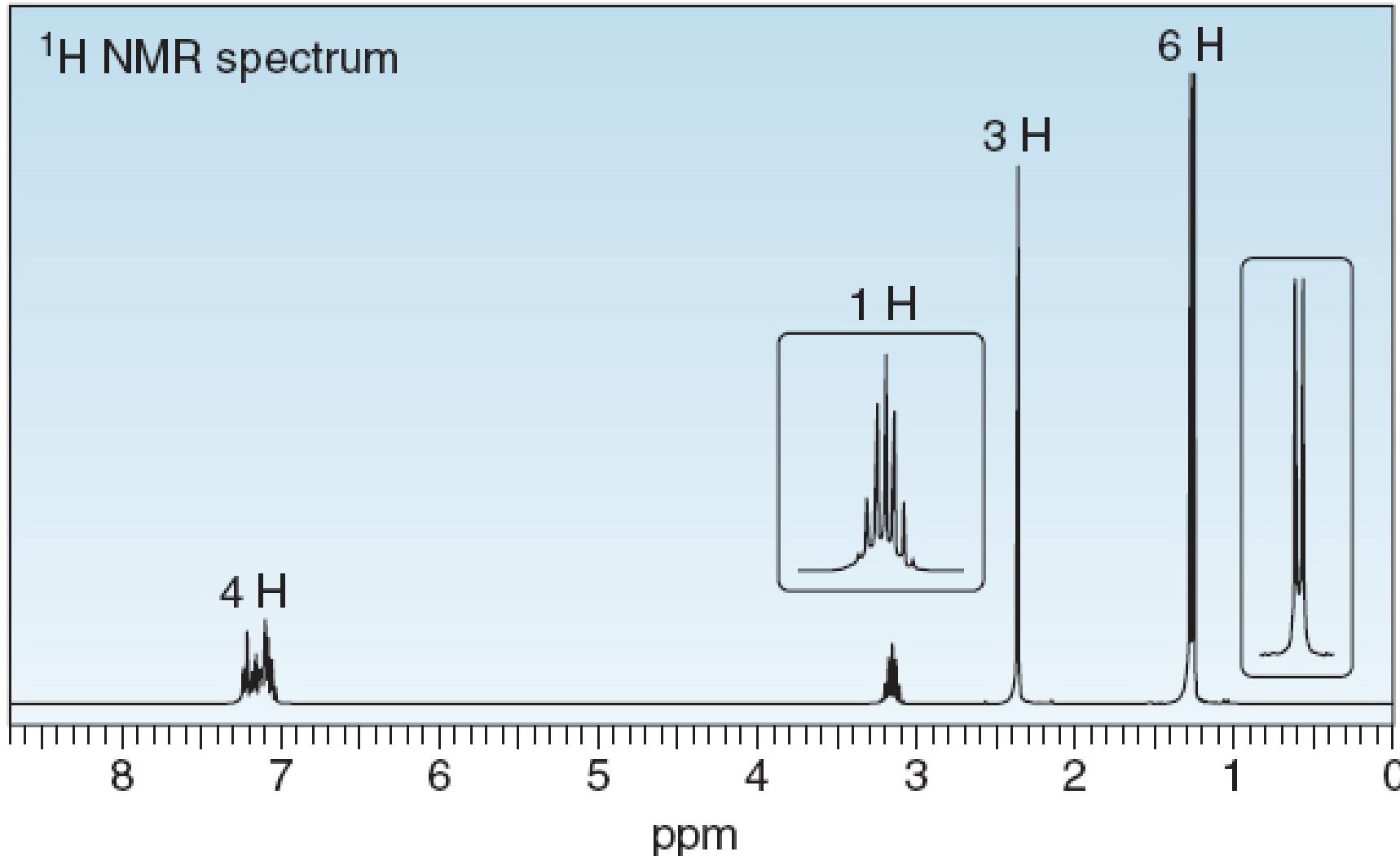


tetrahydrofuran



furan

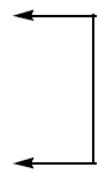
Propose a structure consistent with each set of data: C₁₀H₁₄: IR absorptions at 3150–2850, 1600, and 1500 cm⁻¹



a. $C_{10}H_{14}$: IR absorptions at 3150–2850 (sp^2 and sp^3 hybridized C–H), 1600, and 1500 (due to a benzene ring) cm^{-1}

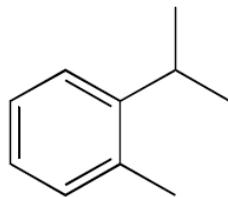
^1H NMR data:

Absorption	ppm	# of H's	Explanation
doublet	1.2	6	6 H's adjacent to 1 H
singlet	2.3	3	CH_3
septet	3.1	1	1 H adjacent to 6 H's
multiplet	7–7.4	4	a disubstituted benzene ring

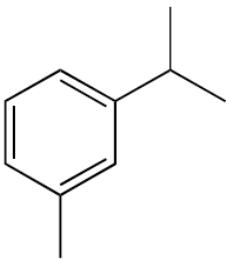


$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CH}$ group

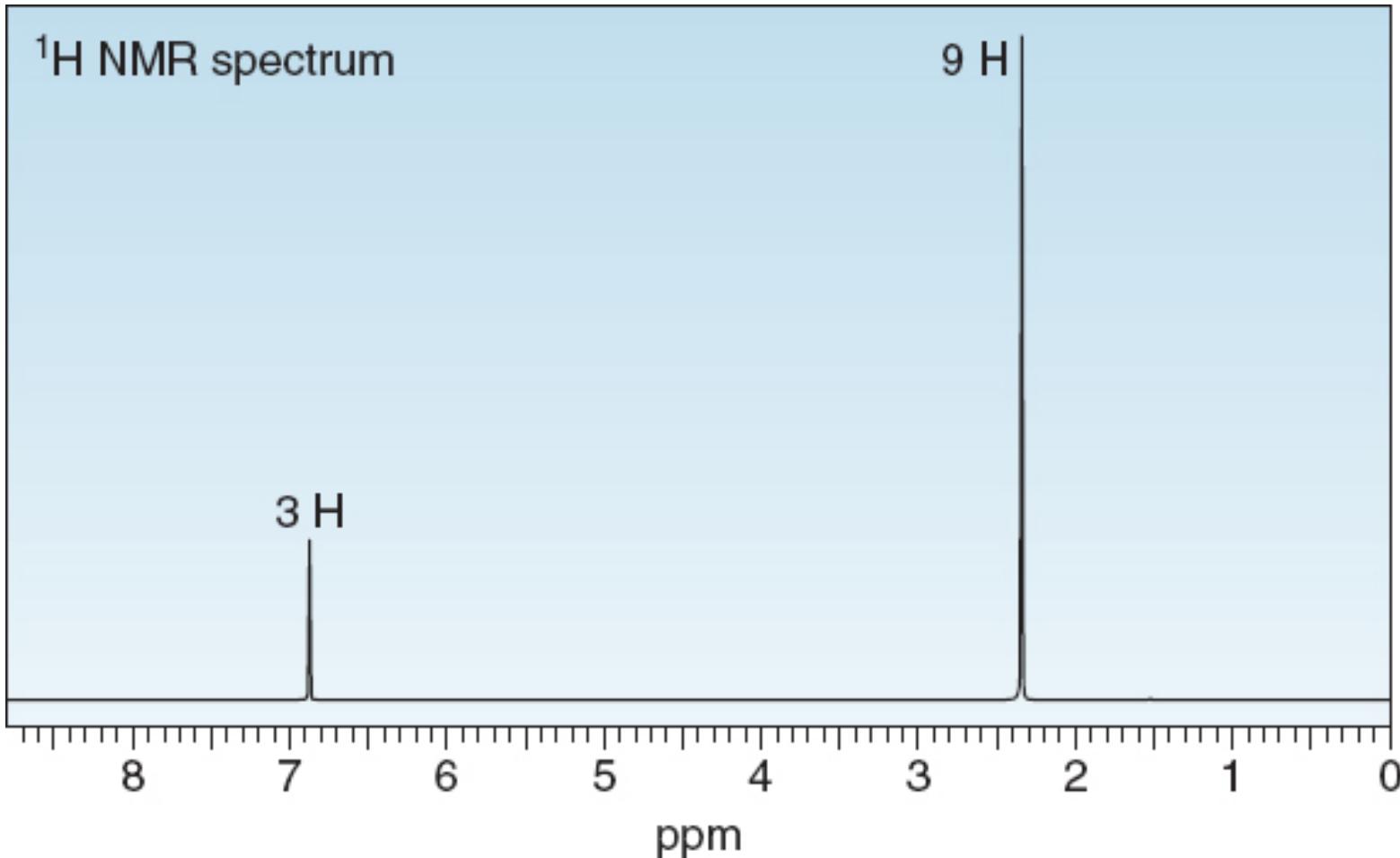
You can't tell from these data where the two groups are on the benzene ring. They are not para, since the para arrangement usually gives two sets of distinct peaks (resembling two doublets) so there are two possible structures—ortho and meta isomers.



or

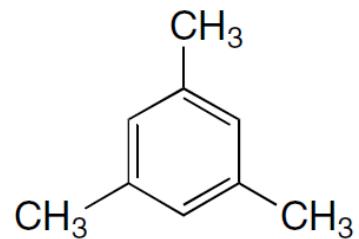


C_9H_{12} : ^{13}C NMR signals at 21, 127, and 138 ppm

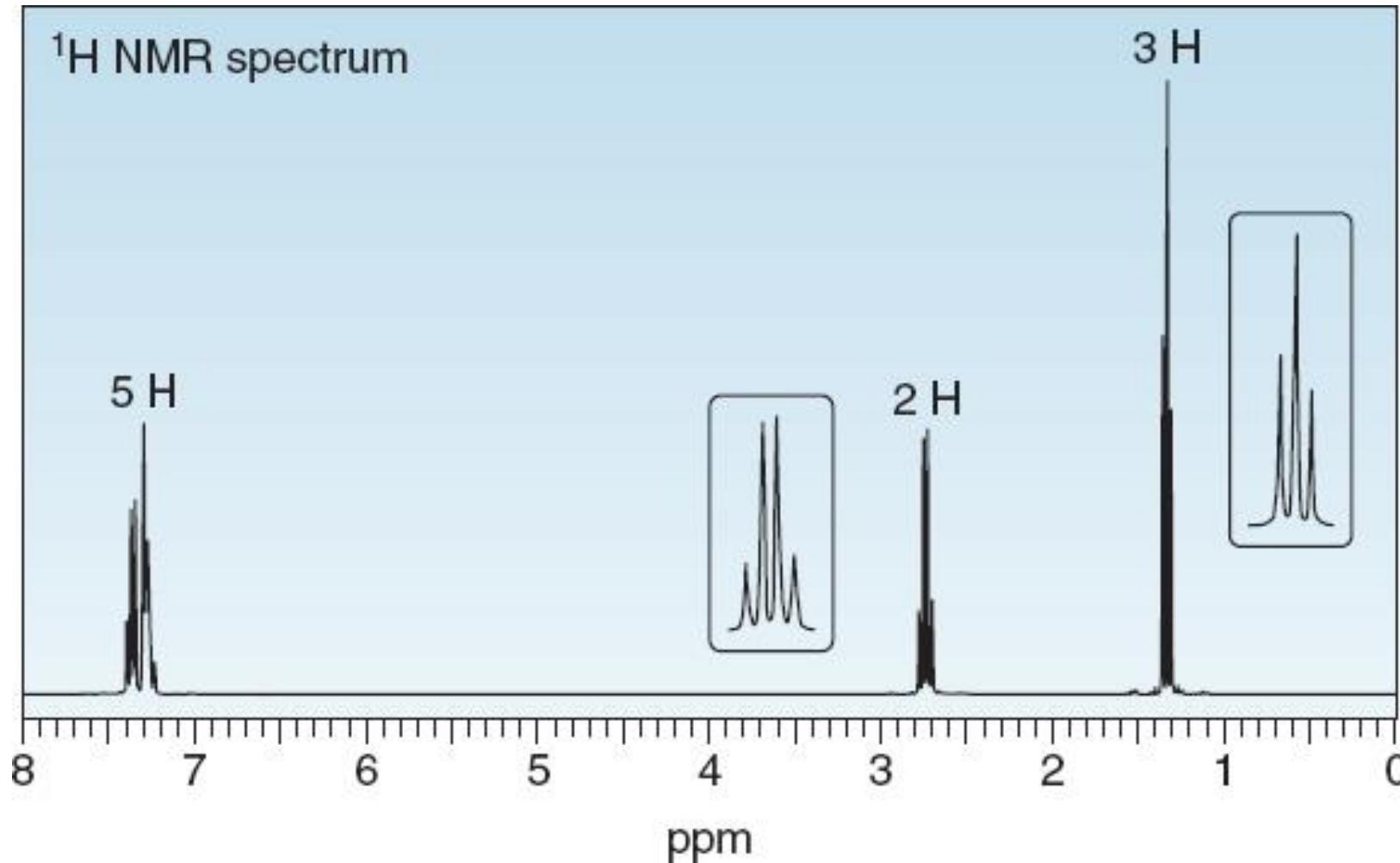


b. C_9H_{12} : ^{13}C NMR signals at 21, 127, and 138 ppm → means three different types of C's.
 1H NMR shows 2 types of H's: 9 H's probably means 3 CH_3 groups; the other 3 H's are very deshielded so they are bonded to a benzene ring.

Only one possible structure fits:



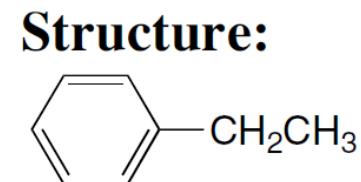
C_8H_{10} : IR absorptions at 3108–2875, 1606, and 1496 cm^{-1}



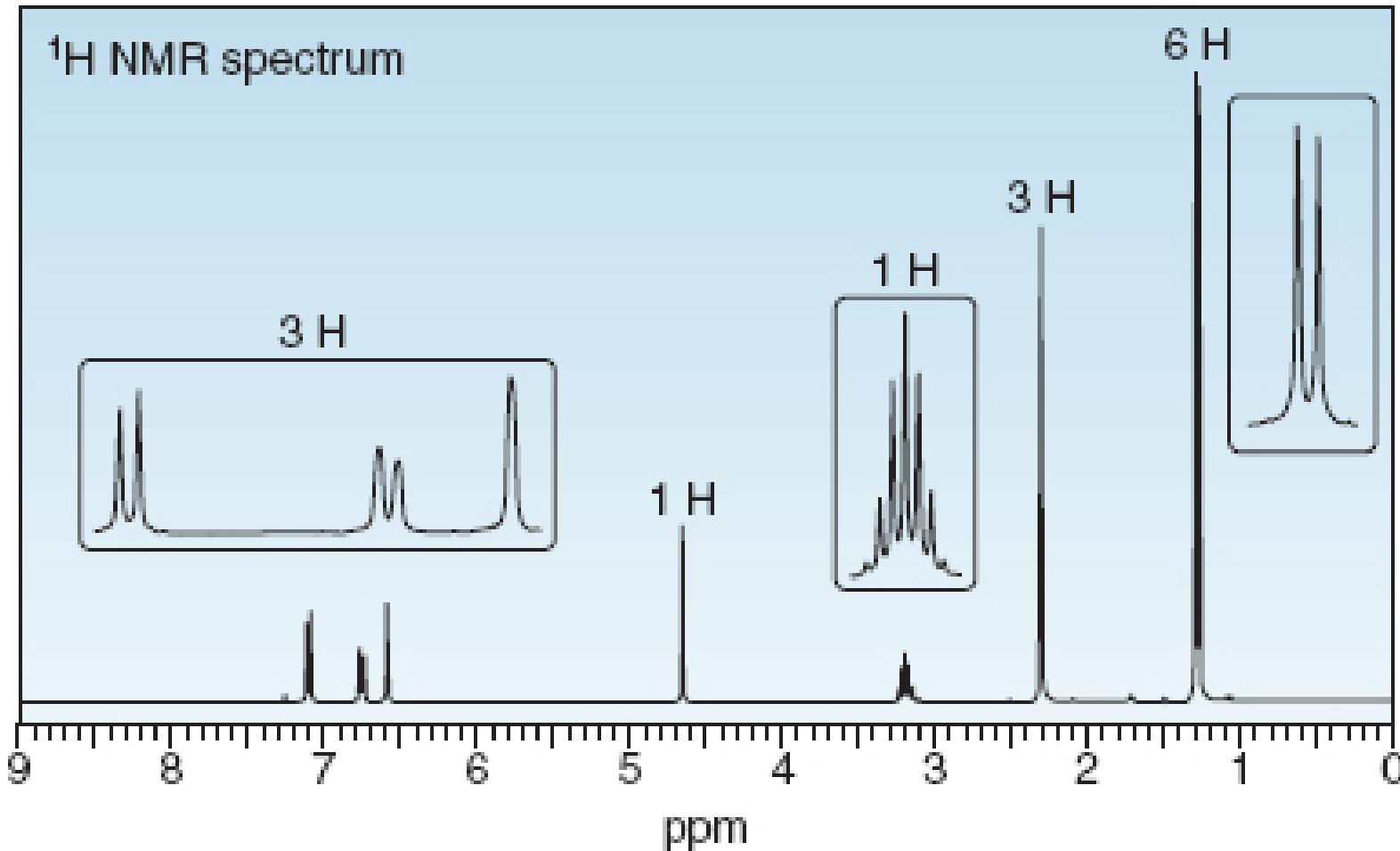
c. C₈H₁₀: IR absorptions at 3108–2875 (*sp*² and *sp*³ hybridized C–H), 1606, and 1496 (due to a benzene ring) cm^{−1}

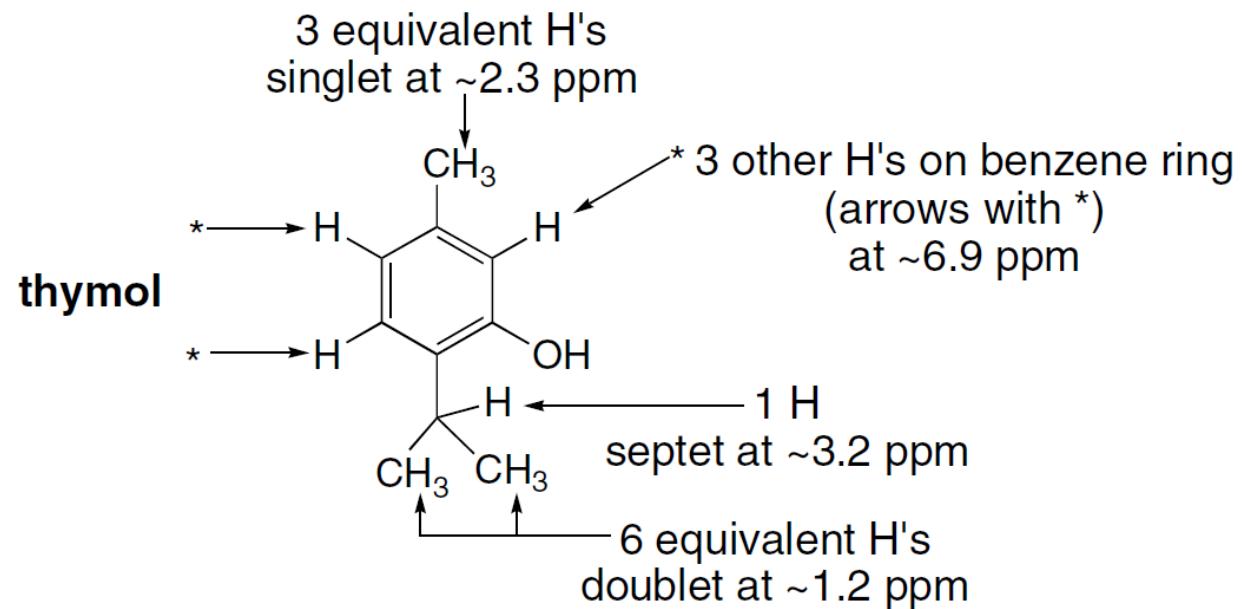
¹H NMR data:

Absorption	ppm	# of H's	Explanation
triplet	1.3	3	3 H's adjacent to 2 H's
quartet	2.7	2	2 H's adjacent to 3 H's
multiplet	7.3	5	a monosubstituted benzene ring



molecular formula $C_{10}H_{14}O$: IR absorptions at 3500–3200, 3150–2850, 1621, and 1585 cm^{-1} . The ^1H NMR spectrum of thymol is given below.

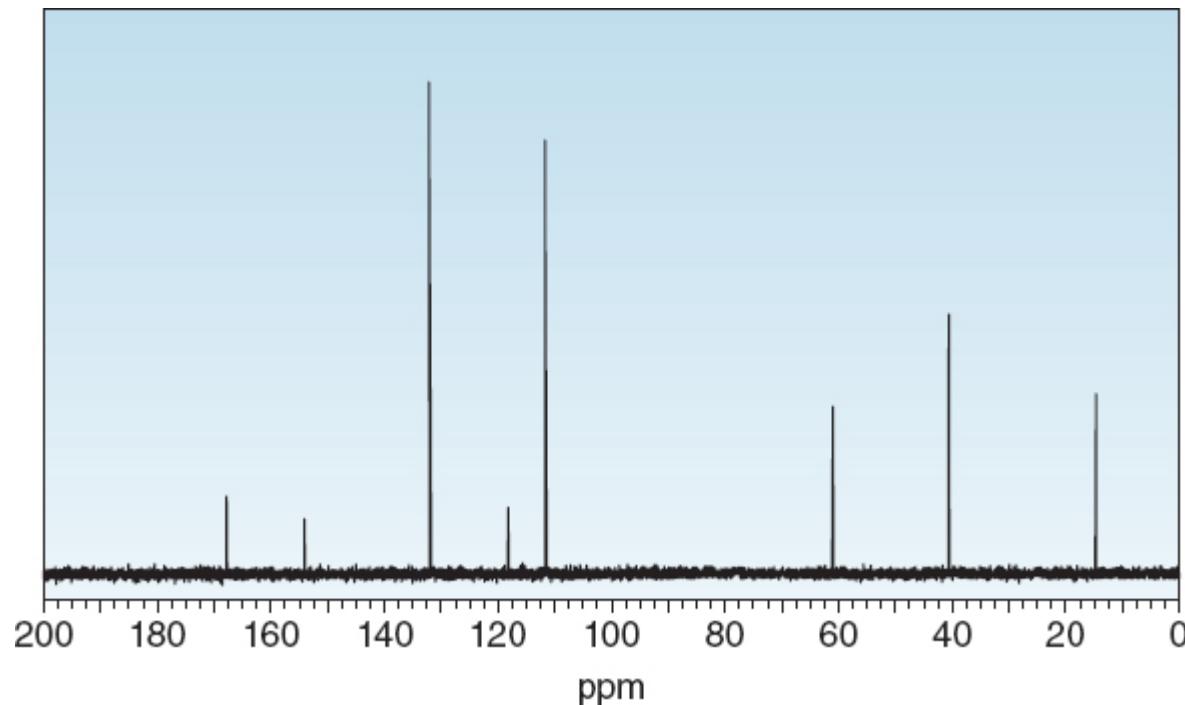




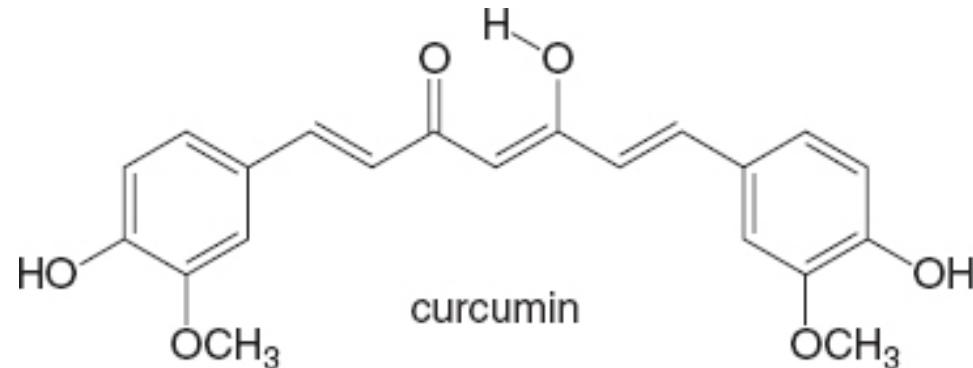
IR absorptions:

- 3500–3200 cm^{-1} (O–H)
- 3150–2850 cm^{-1} (C–H bonds)
- 1621 and 1585 cm^{-1} (benzene ring)

You have a sample of a compound of molecular formula C₁₁H₁₅NO₂, which has a benzene ring substituted by two groups, (CH₃)₂N and CO₂CH₂CH₃, and exhibits the given ¹³C NMR. What disubstituted benzene isomer corresponds to these ¹³C data?



Answer the following questions about curcumin, a yellow pigment isolated from turmeric, a tropical perennial in the ginger family and a principal ingredient in curry powder.



- a. we learned that most enols, compounds that contain a hydroxy group bonded to a C=C, are unstable and tautomerize to carbonyl groups. Draw the keto form of the enol of curcumin, and explain why the enol is more stable than many other enols.
- b. Explain why the enol O-H proton is more acidic than an alcohol O-H proton.
- c. Why is curcumin colored?
- d. Explain why curcumin is an antioxidant.