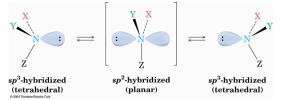


In principle an amine with three different substituents on the nitrogen is chiral with the lone pair of electrons being the fourth substituent; however, for most amines the *pyramidal inversion* of nitrogen is a racemization mechanism. The barrier to nitrogen inversion is about 25 KJ/mol (very rapid at room temperature).



## **22.3:** Physical Properties. (please read) **22.4:** Basicity of Amines. The basicity is reflective of and is expressed as the $pK_a$ 's of the conjugate acid. The conjugate base of a weak acid is a strong base:

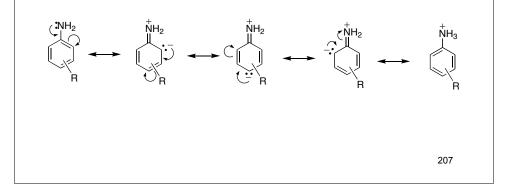
Higher  $pK_a$  = weaker acid = stronger conjugate base The conjugate base of a strong acid is a weak base Lower  $pK_a$  = stronger acid = weaker conjugate base<sup>205</sup>

Table 22.1 (p. 915):  $pK_a$  values of ammonium ionsAlkyl ammonium ions,  $R_3NH^+ X^-$ , have pKa values in the range<br/>of 10-11 (ammonium ion,  $H_4N^+ X^-$ , has a  $pK_a \sim 9.3$ )The ammonium ions of aryl amines and heterocyclic aromatic<br/>amines are considerably more acidic than alkyl amines<br/>( $pK_a < 5$ ). The nitrogen lone pair is less basic if it is in an<br/> $sp^2$  hybridized orbital (versus an  $sp^3$ ) $NH_4^+$ <br/>(H\_CH\_C)NH\_+^+ $pK_a = 9.3$  $M_4^+$ <br/>(H\_CH\_C)NH\_+^+10.8

4	a	< //	a	
$(H_3CH_2C)NH_3^+$	10.8	$\sim$		
$(H_3CH_2C)_2NH_2^+$	11.1	N-H	5.2	
(H <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> C) <sub>3</sub> NH <sup>+</sup>	10.8	→+ H		
		N <sup>(</sup> H	0.4	
		+ NH <sub>2</sub>		
		$\checkmark$	7.0	
		↓ +	- 1.0	
		∕ `NH <sub>3</sub>		206

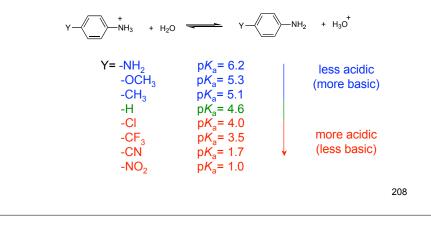
Arylamines are much less basic than alkylamines. The lone pair of electrons on the nitrogen of aniline are conjugated to the  $\pi$ -electrons of the aromatic ring and are therefore less available for acid-base chemistry. Protonation disrupts the conjugation.

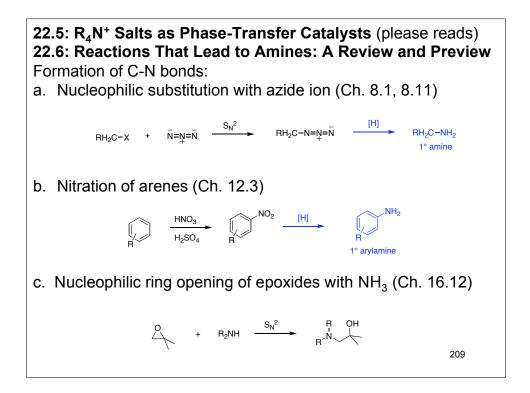
Substitutents can greatly influence the basicity of the aniline. The effect is dependent upon the nature and position of the substitutent.

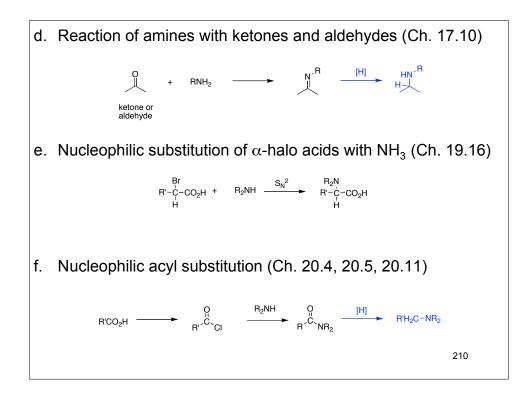


Electron-donating substituents (-CH<sub>3</sub>, -OH, -OCH<sub>3</sub>) make the substituted aniline more basic than aniline itself (the  $pK_a$  of the anilinium ion is higher than 4.6)

Electron-withdrawing substituents (-Cl,  $-NO_2$ ) make the substituted aniline less basic than aniline itself (the pKa of the anilinium ion is lower than 4.6)





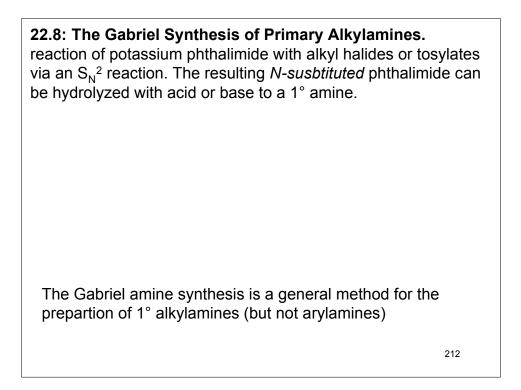


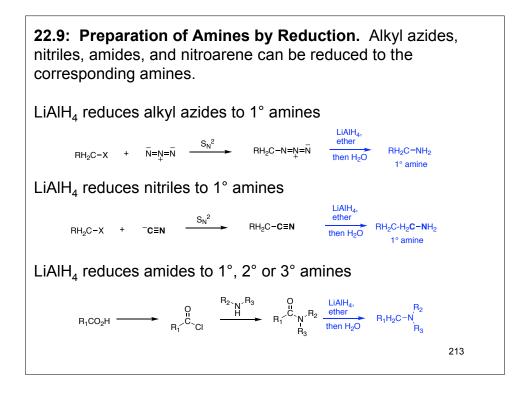
**22.7: Preparation of Amines by Alkylation of Ammonia** Ammonia and other alkylamines are good nucleophiles and react with 1° and 2° alkyl halides or tosylates via an  $S_N^2$  reaction yielding alkyl amines.

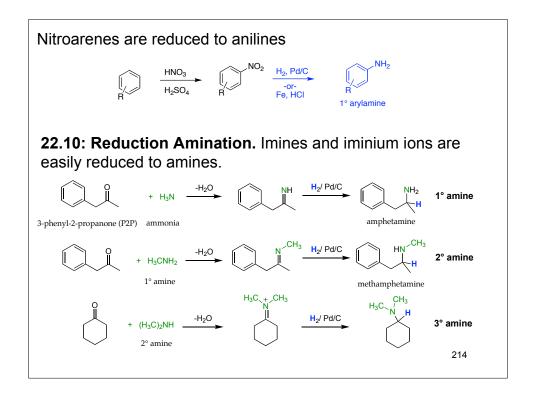
 $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathrm{CH}_3(\mathrm{CH}_2)_6\mathrm{CH}_2\mathrm{Br}\ +\ :\mathrm{NH}_3\ \longrightarrow\ \mathrm{CH}_3(\mathrm{CH}_2)_6\mathrm{CH}_2\ddot{\mathrm{N}}\mathrm{H}_2\ +\ [\mathrm{CH}_3(\mathrm{CH}_2)_6\mathrm{CH}_2]_2\ddot{\mathrm{N}}\mathrm{H}\\ \\ \mathbf{1}\text{-Bromooctane} & \mathbf{Octylamine}\ (\mathbf{45\%}) & \mathbf{Dioctylamine}\ (\mathbf{43\%})\\ & +\ [\mathrm{CH}_3(\mathrm{CH}_2)_6\mathrm{CH}_2]_3\mathrm{N} \colon +\ [\mathrm{CH}_3(\mathrm{CH}_2)_6\mathrm{CH}_2]_4\overset{*}{\mathrm{N}}\ \bar{\mathrm{Br}}\\ \\ \end{array}$ 

1°, 2°, and 3° amines all have similar reactivity; the initially formed monoalkylation product can undergo further reaction to yield a mixture of alkylated products

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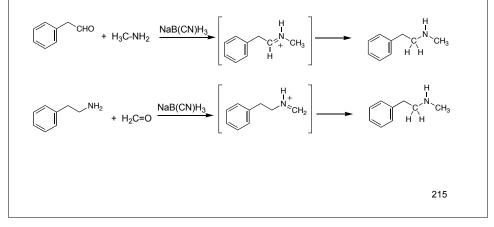






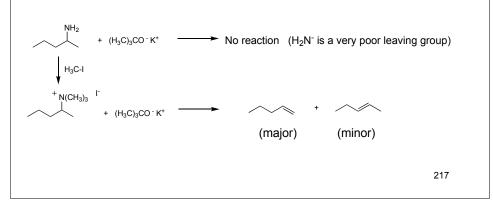
Sodium cyanoborohydride, Na+ N=C-BH<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>: the cyano ligand makes cyanoborohydride a weak hydride source and it will react with only the most easily reduced functional groups, such as an iminium ion. NaB(CN)H<sub>3</sub> reduces ketones and aldehydes slowly.

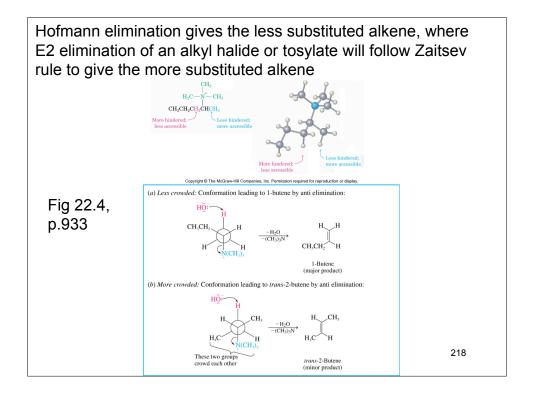
Reductive amination with NaB(CN)H<sub>3</sub> is a one-pot reaction



**22.12: Reaction of Amines with Alkyl Halides.** Amines react with alkyl halides and tosylates by nucleophilic substitution  $(S_N^2)$ . Products from multiple alkylation often results.

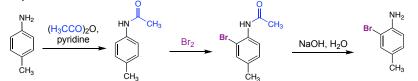
**22.13: The Hoffmann Elimination.** 1° amine react with excess methyl iodide yield quarternary (4°) ammonium salts. E2 elimination of the resulting trimethyl ammonium group to give an alkene.





**22.14: Electrophilic Aromatic Substitution in Arylamines.** The amino group is strongly activating, ortho/para director; however, it is largely incompatible with Friedel-Crafts reactions.

Electrophilic aromatic substitution of phenyl acetamides (amides of aniline). The acetamide group is still activating and an ortho/para director.



The acetamides is acts as a protecting group for the arylamine

Anilines are so activated that multiple substitution reactions can be a problem. The reactivity of the acetamide is attenuated so that mono substitution is achieved.

The acetamide group is compatiable with the Friedel-Crafts reactions

