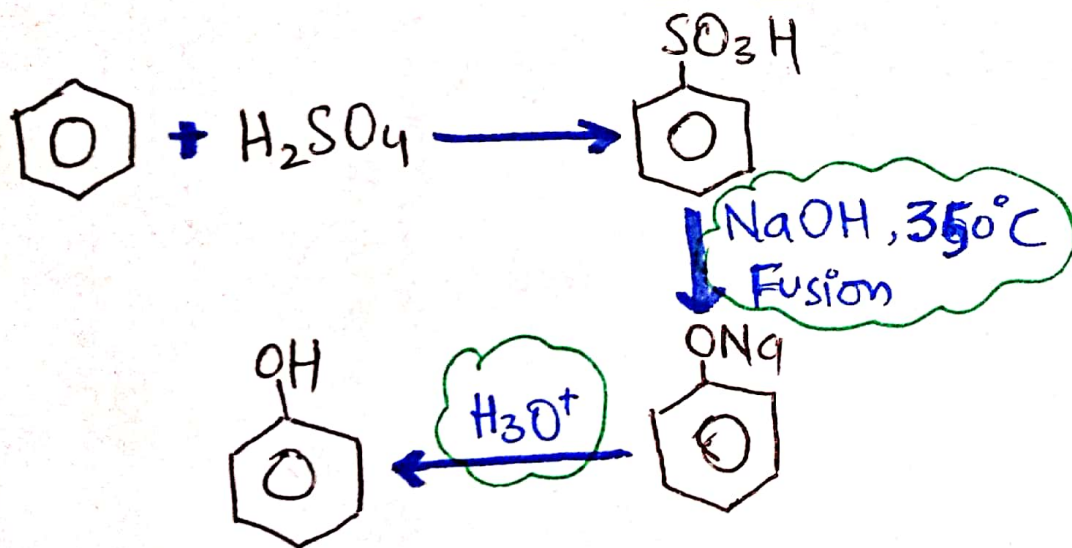


PHENOLS

- Hydroxybenzene.

PREPARATORY METHODS

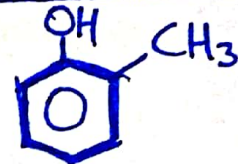
1. Fusion of sodium benzenesulfonate with alkali



- Method used in laboratories mixture of KOH and NaOH are used.



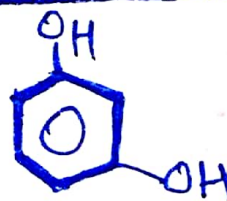
Phenol



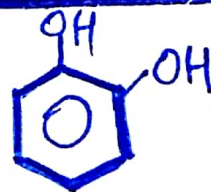
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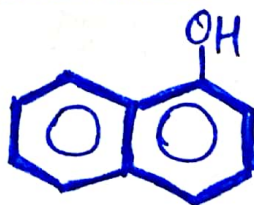
Hydroquinone.



Resorcinol

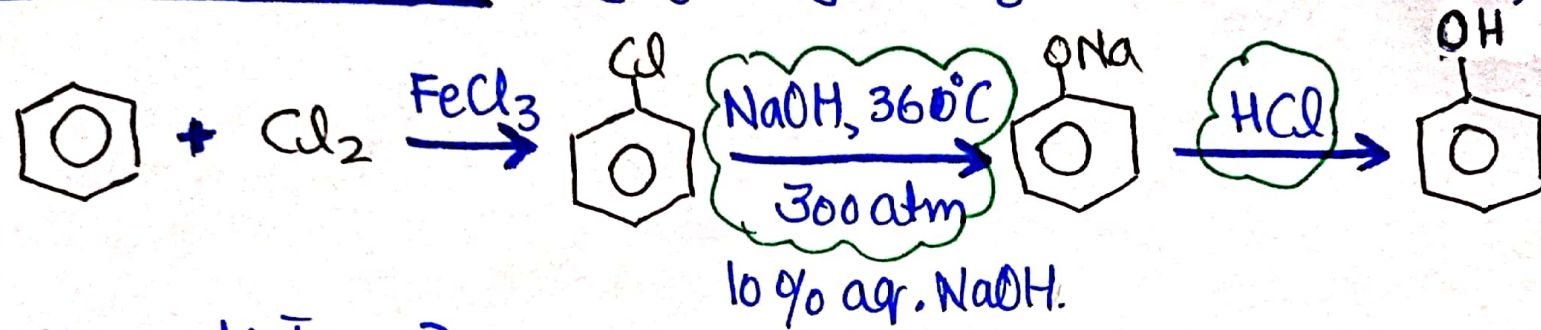


Catechol.



α -Naphthol

2. Dow's Method (Hydrolysis of chlorobenzene)

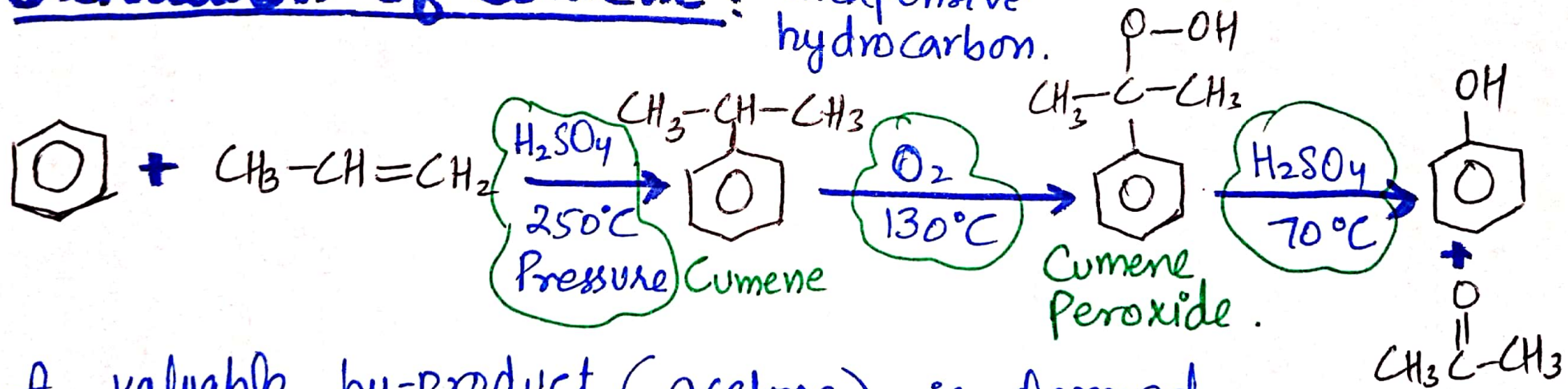


- Intermediate = Benzyne



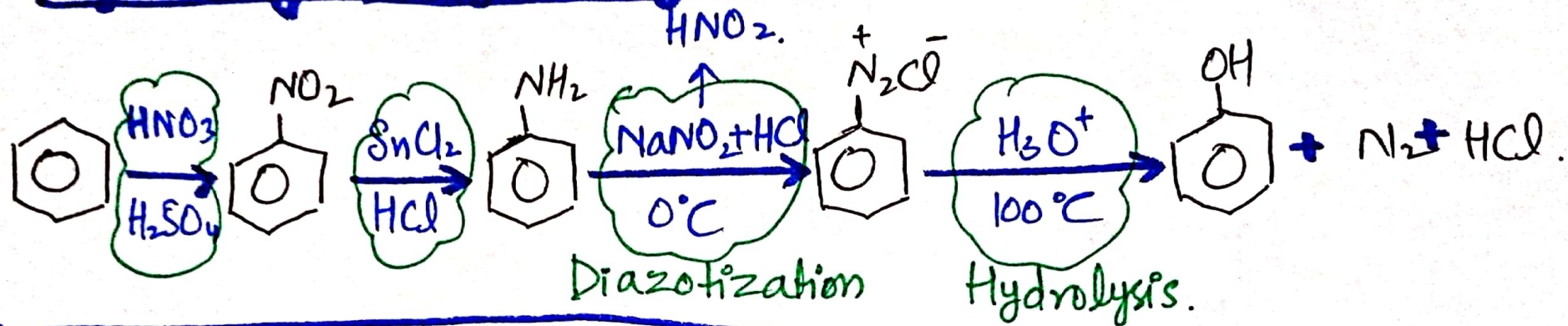
- Not suitable in laboratories — Isomeric products formed.

3. Oxidation of Cumene → inexpensive hydrocarbon.



- A valuable by-product (acetone) is formed
- Today, whole of the Phenol is formed by this method.

4. Hydrolysis of Aryl diazonium salts:



PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

- Monohydric phenols — either liquid or low melting crystalline solids.
- Have distinct odour.
- Generally colorless — unless some chromophore present
- Phenol easily oxidized on molecule by air

- $\text{M.P}^\circ = 41^\circ\text{C}$

- $\text{B.P}^\circ = 182^\circ\text{C}$

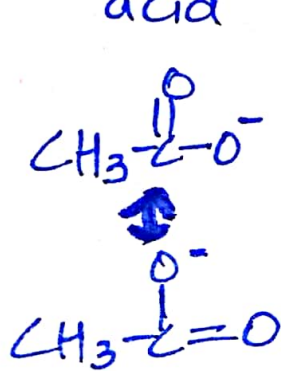
- Completely soluble in water at 68.5°C

- Poisonous.

- $K_a = 1.3 \times 10^{-10}$

- Order of acidity = Carboxylic acid > Phenol > Water > Alcohol

conjugate bases =

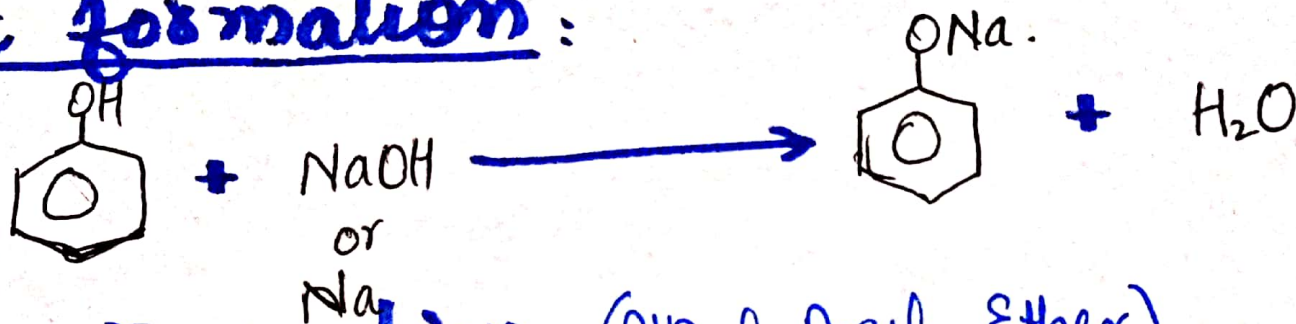


- Electron withdrawing group on benzene ring increases acidity of phenol.

CHEMICAL REACTIONS

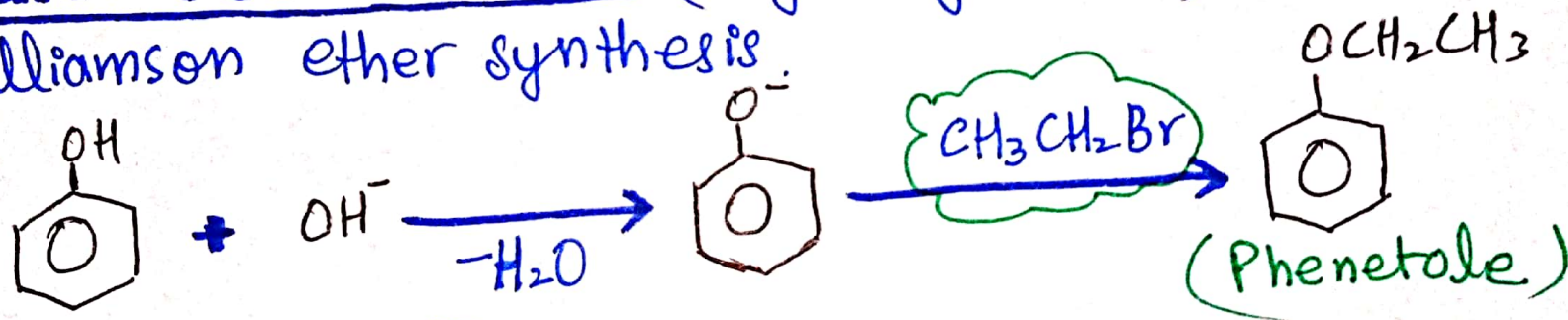
- Give Electrophilic Substitution reactions
- Act as acid.

1. Salt formation:

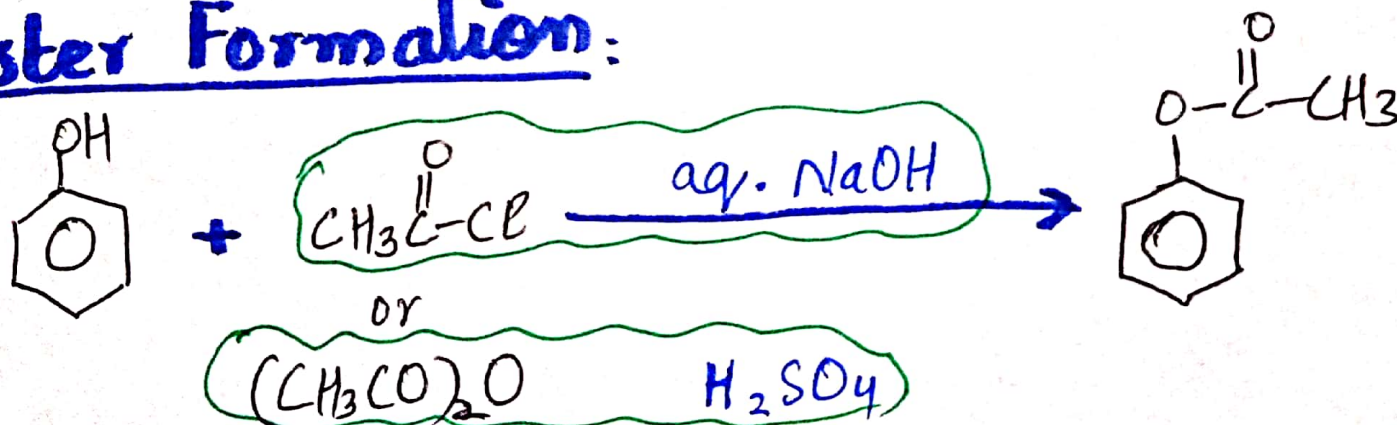


2. Ether Formation: (Alkyl Aryl Ether)

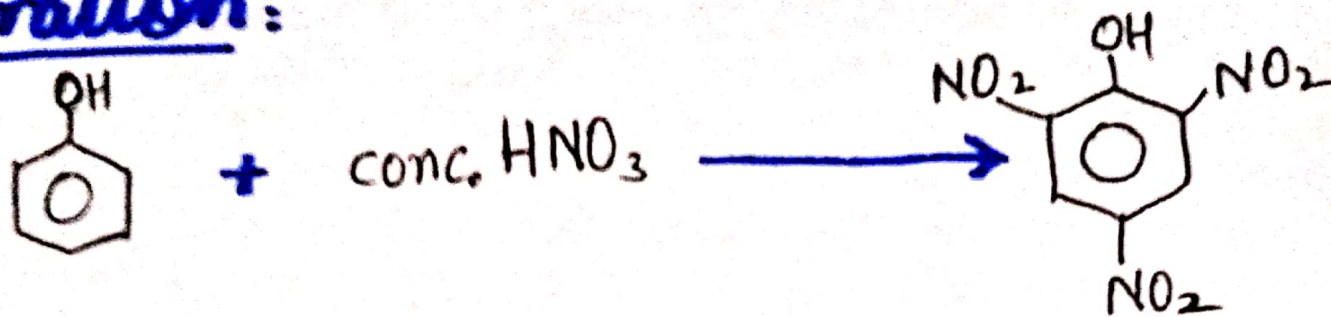
- Williamson ether synthesis.



3. Ester Formation:

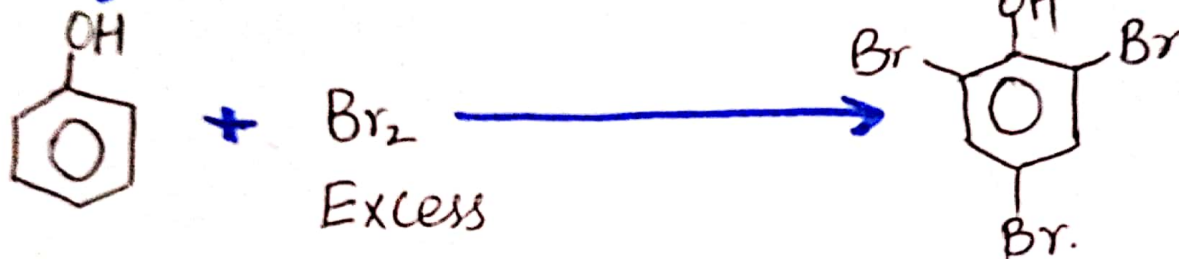


4. Nitration:

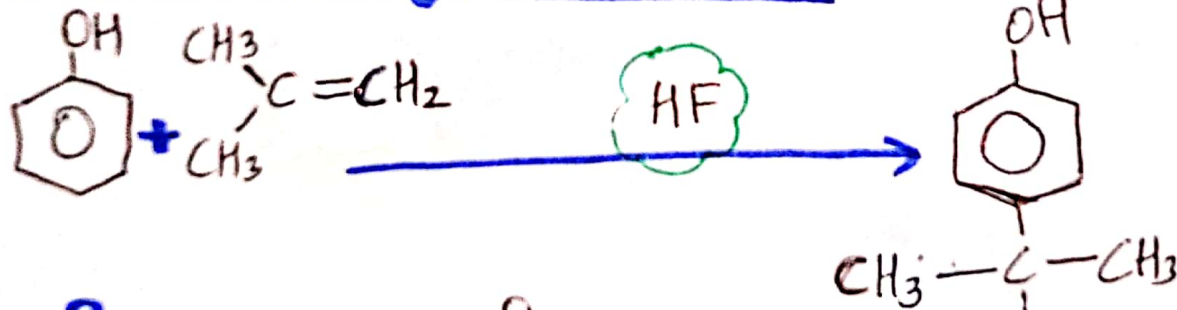


Picric acid.

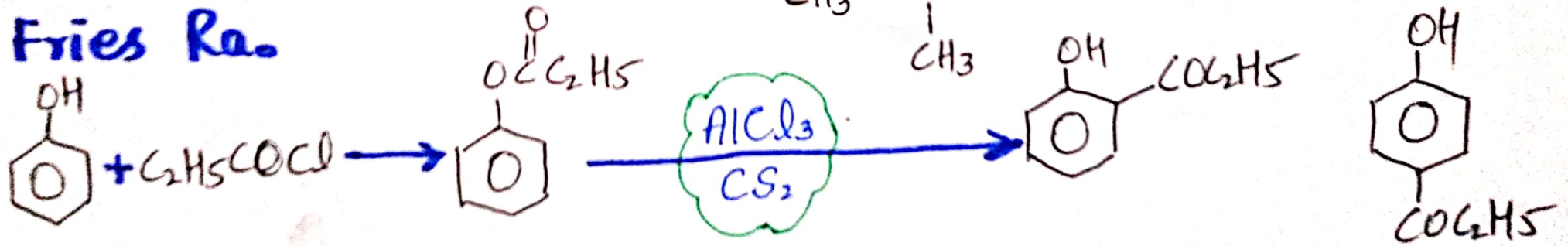
5. Halogenation:



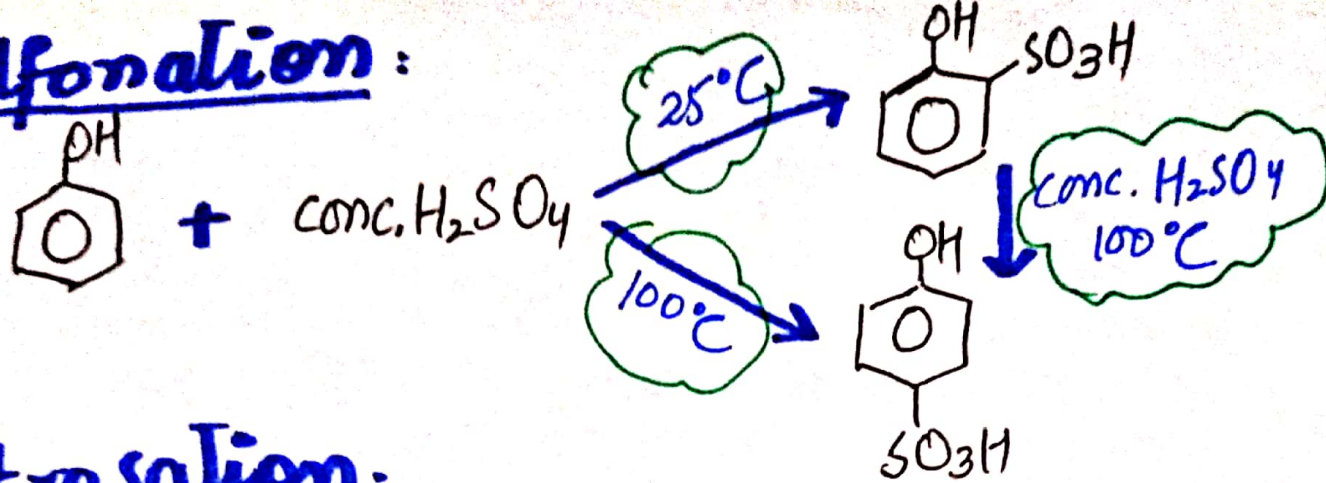
6. Friedel Craft Reaction:



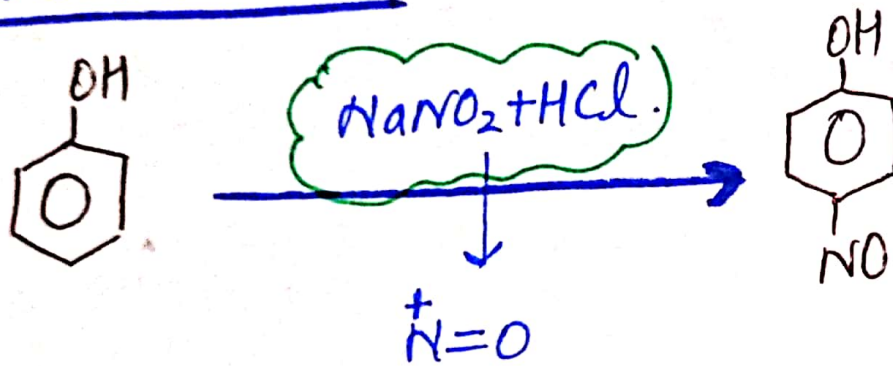
• Fries Re.



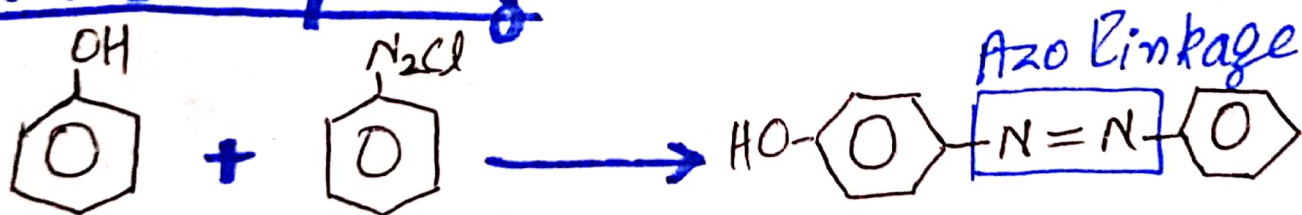
7. Sulfonation:



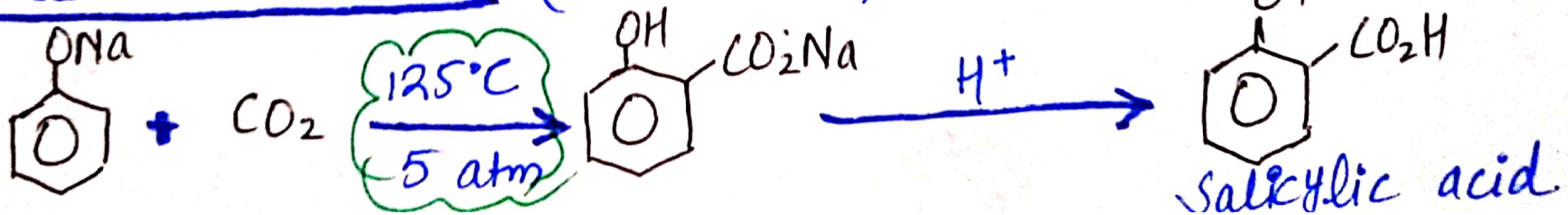
8. Nitrosation:



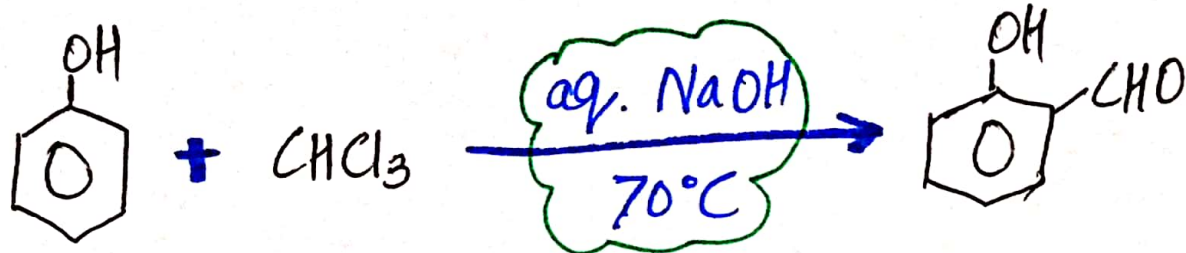
9. Diazo coupling:



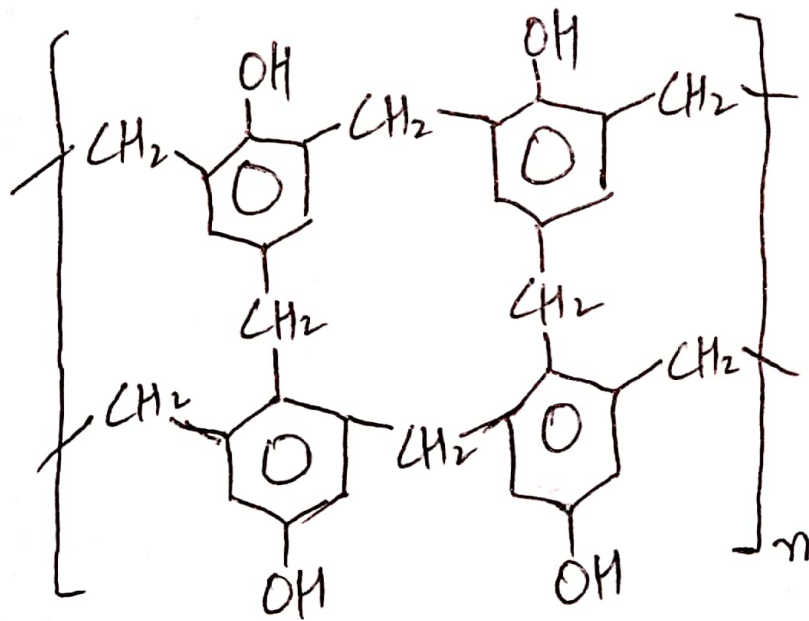
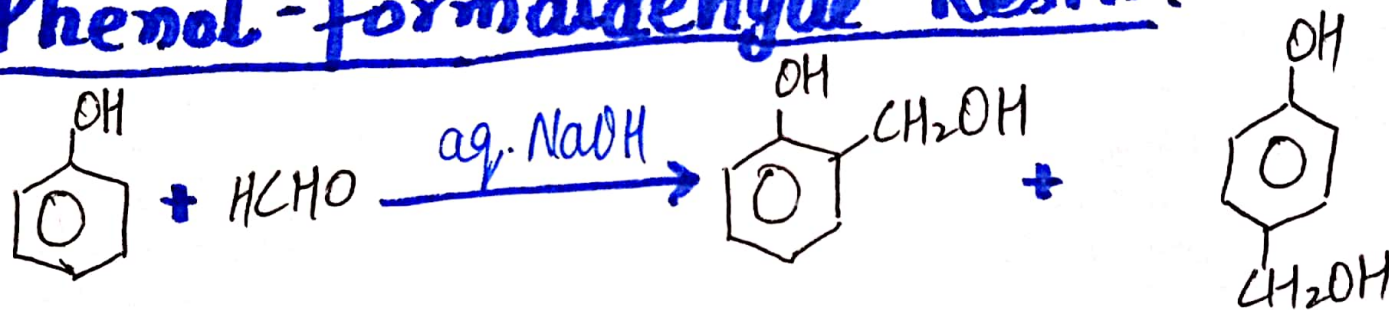
10. Kolbe Reaction: (Carbonation)



11. Reimer Tiemann Reaction : (Formylation)



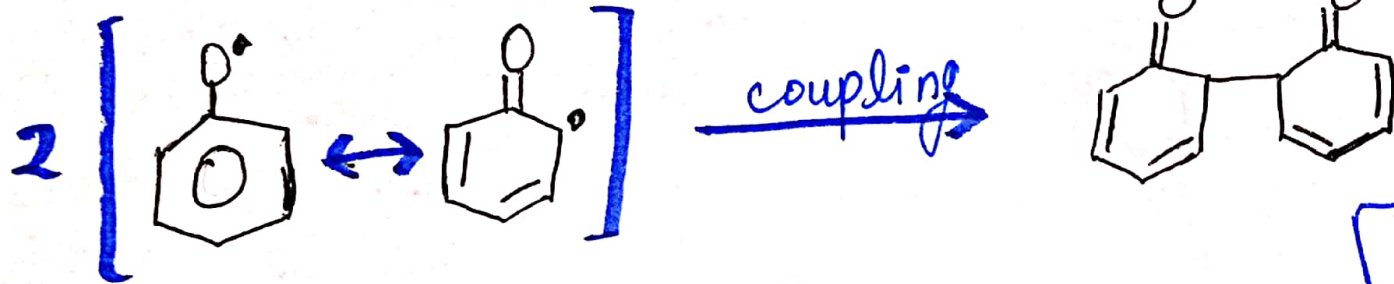
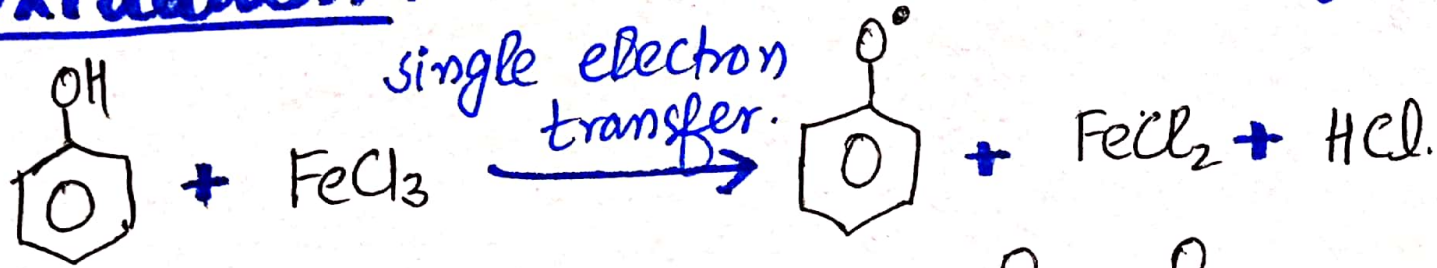
12. Phenol-formaldehyde Resin :



Bakelite.
(Thermoset Resin)

- to make electric shoes, plugs etc.

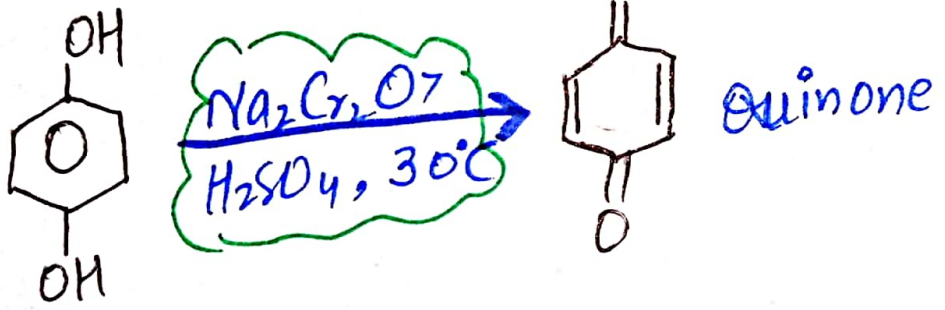
13. Oxidation:



Formation of ferric phenoxide

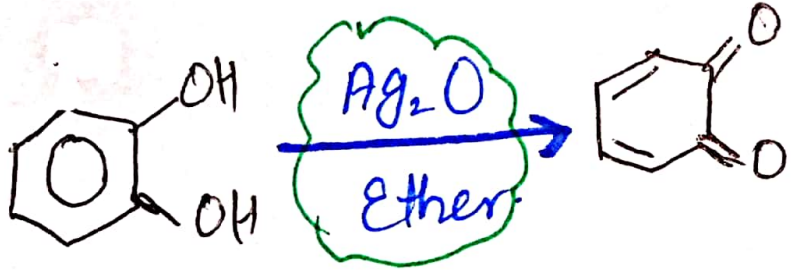
• Test for identification
violet
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Red.

Hydroquinone



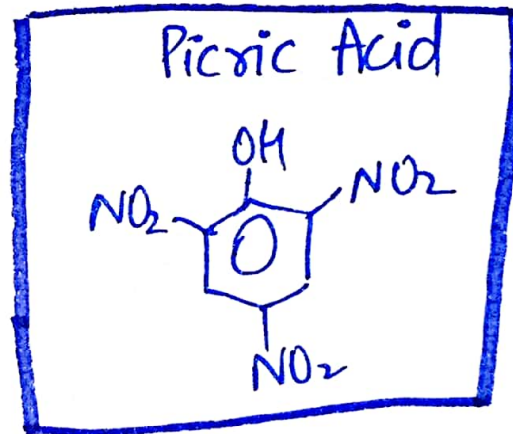
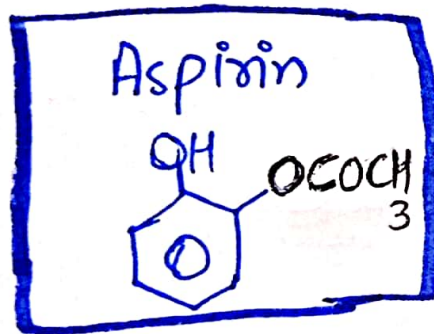
• Hydroquinone = photographic developer.

Catechol



Uses :-

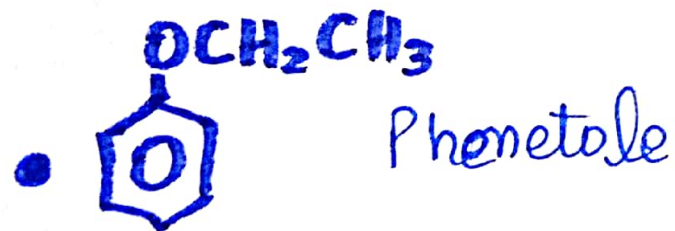
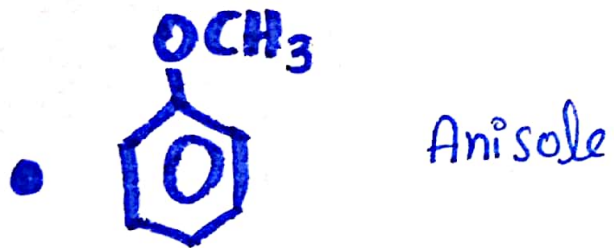
- Phenolic ethers present in essential oils.
- Important industrial material.
- Used to produce important commercial products



ETHERS

- Derivative of water
- R-O-R Dialkyl ether.
- Symmetrical or unsymmetrical
- $C_n H_{2n+2} O$, similar to monohydric alcohol.

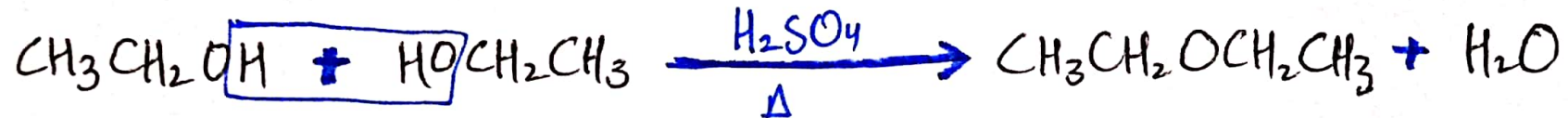
Used as anesthetic and as solvent.



PREPARATORY METHOD

1. Dehydration

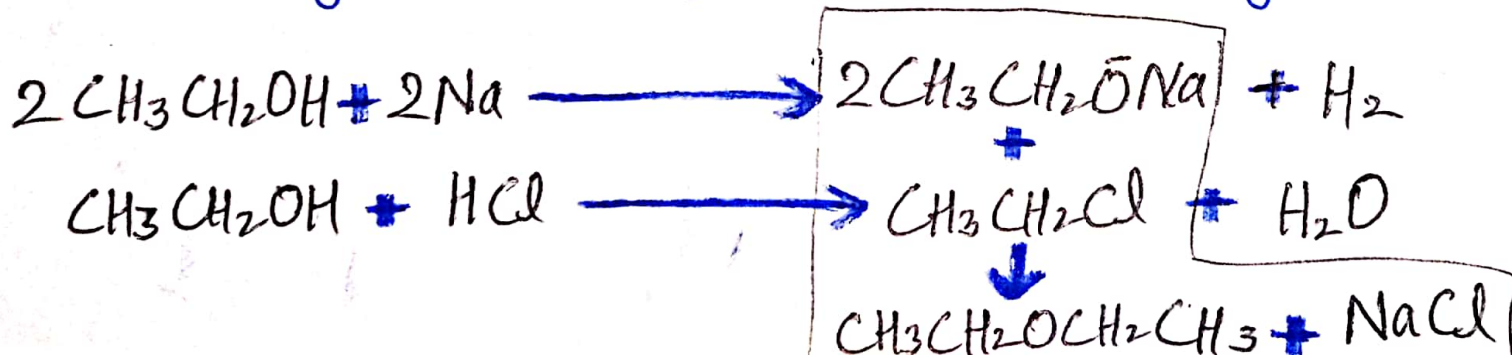
- Intermolecular dehydration of alcohol.



- Symmetrical ethers formed
- This reaction competes with elimination.
- S_N2 mechanism. (Substrate = Protonated form of alcohol)
- Commercial method.

2. Williamson ether synthesis:

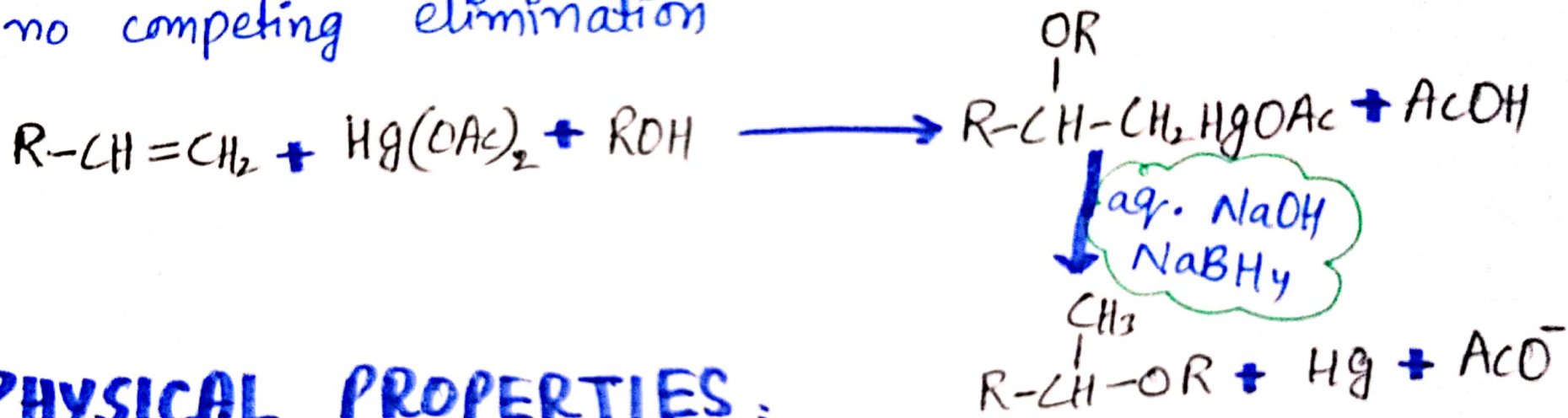
- to synthesize symmetrical or unsymmetrical ethers. (S_N2)



- Primary alkyl sulfate $(RO)_2SO_2$ or sulfonates $(ROSO_2R)$ may be used as substrate.

3. Alkoxymercuration-demercuration.

- From alkene.
- no competing elimination



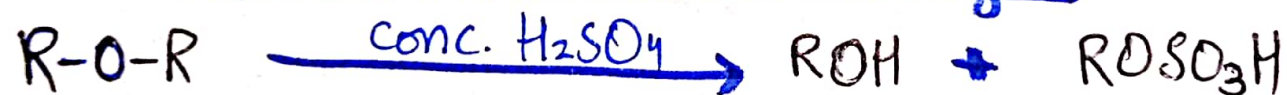
PHYSICAL PROPERTIES:

- Lower members — either gases or volatile liquids and highly inflammable
- M.P° close to corresponding hydrocarbons
- Do not have H-bonding
- Less dense than water.
- Soluble in organic solvents

CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

- Relatively inert to most reagents.
- Stable to dil. acids but form oxonium ion with conc. strong acids.
- used as solvents.
- Susceptible to attack by free radicals.

1. Cleavage of ether linkage:



Ziesel method:



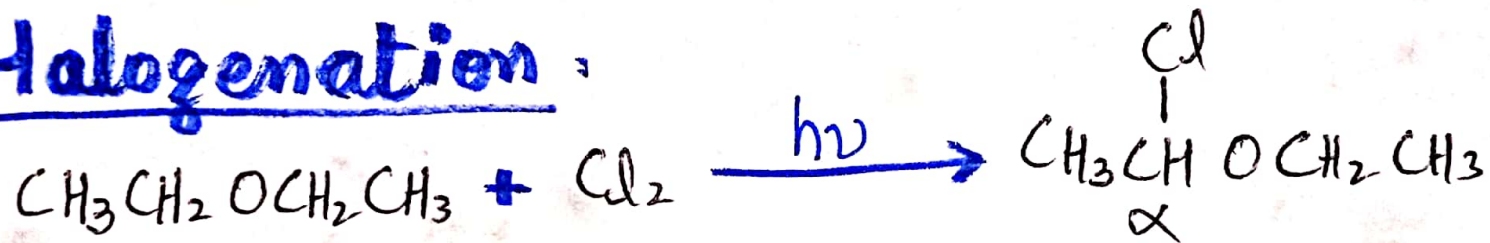
used to determine number of methoxy groups.

weighed
ppt.

2. Auto-oxidation:

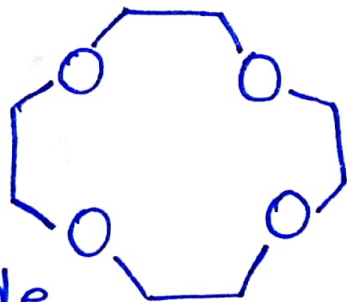
- slow oxidation in air.
- form hydroperoxides and peroxides (hazardous)
- Free Radical mechanism.
- Shake ether with aq. soln. of KI (color violet changes to red) due to presence of peroxides.

3. Halogenation:



CROWN ETHER

- 12-crown-4
- can dissolve ionic compounds i.e. KF (insoluble in benzene) but soluble in 18-crown-6)
- cyclic polymers of ethylene glycol $(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_n$



- phase transfer catalysts