# Alkenes (Olefin)

- Unsaturated hydrocarbons that have double bonds and end with the sufex "ene"
- General formula is C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n</sub>
- > Functional group in alkenes is a hydrogen atom in presence of double bond.

## Example: Ethelene

bond angles: H-C-H =  $117^{\circ}$ , H-C-C =  $121^{\circ}$ bond distances: C—H = 110 pm, C=C = 134 pm



#### Name the following

5-methyl-2-hexene

isomeric alkenes of  $C_4H_8$ 







2-Methylpropene



cis-2-Butene



trans-2-Butene

## **Properties of Alkenes**

- Similar to alkanes
- Occur widely in nature
- React with addition reactions

Addition Reaction: two molecules combine to give one molecule.



## Alkynes

- Unsaturated hydrocarbons contain at least one triple bond between two carbon atoms.
- > General formula is  $C_n H_{2n-2 \text{ and}}$  their name ends with the sufex (yne)



$$H - C \equiv C - H$$

- Their properties similar to those of alkanes and alkenes.
- They react with addition reactions as alkene.
- Name the following:

$$CH_3C\equiv CC(CH_3)_3$$

4,4-dimethyl-2-pentyne

### **Preparation of Hydrocarbons**

**1- Preparation of Alkanes:** From catalytic hydrogenation of Unsaturated Hydrocarbons in the presence of catalyst such as Ni, Pt or Pd at 150 – 200° C.

$$R - CH = CH - R + H_2 \xrightarrow{200^{\circ}C} R - CH_2 - CH_2 - R$$

**2- Preparation of Alkenes**: from  $\beta$  elimination reactions, in which two atoms on adjacent carbon atoms are removed.

Example of that elimination reaction is: Dehydration of alcohols, the dehydrohalogenation of alkyl halides, and the dehalogenation of alkanes.



3- Preparation of Alkynes: from β elimination reactions

