



ORGANIC CHEMISTRY

NOMENCLATURE: NAMING ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

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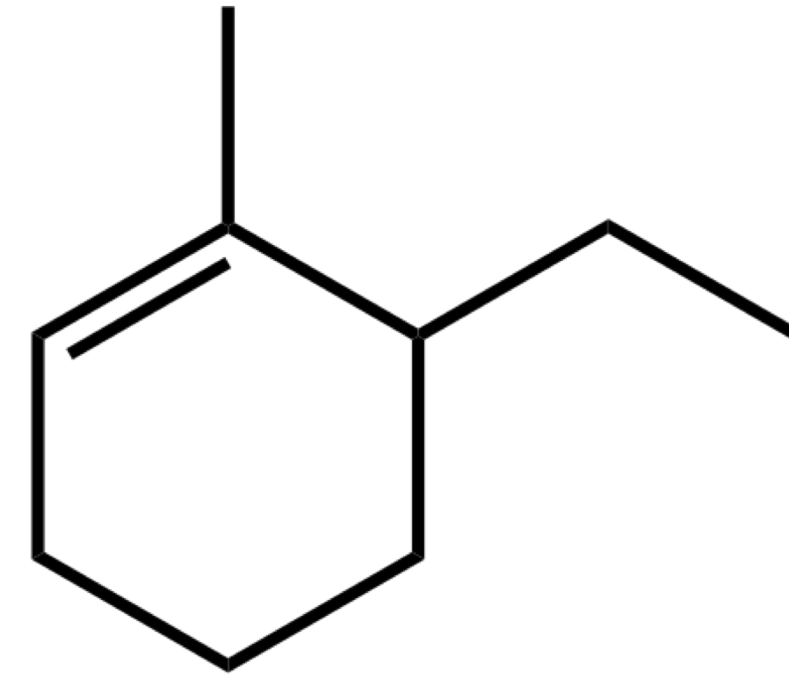
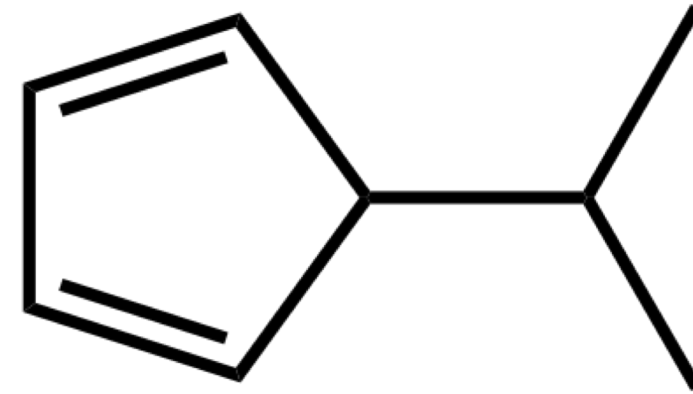
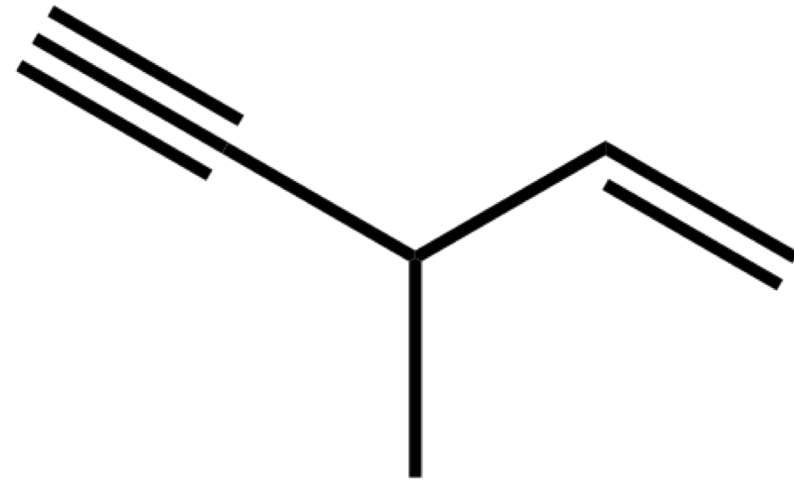
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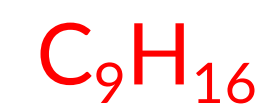
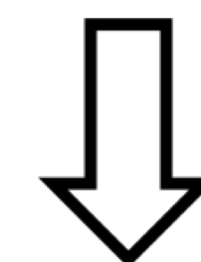
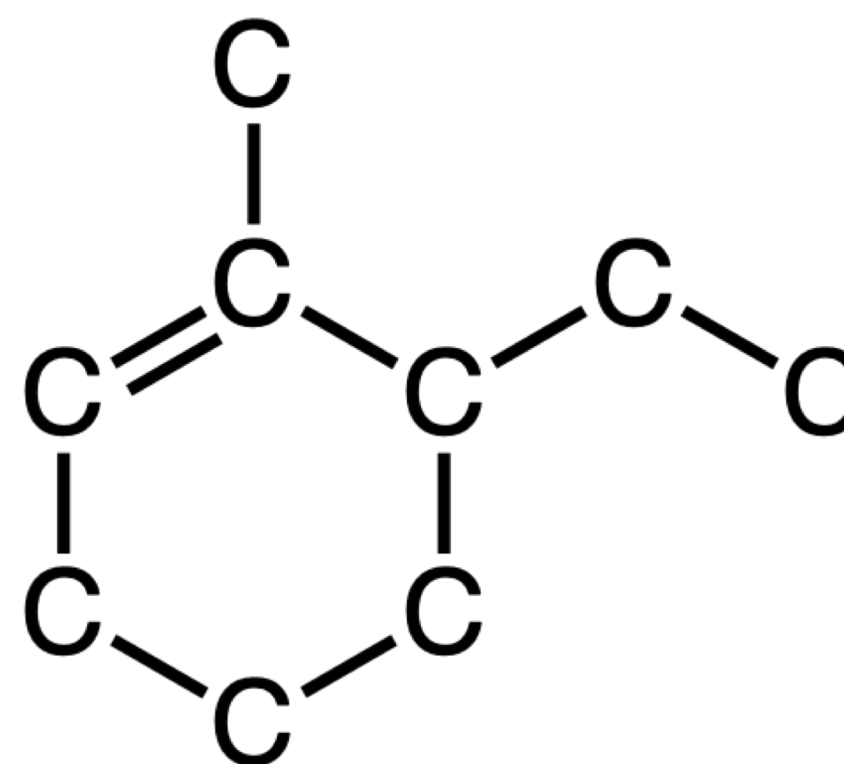
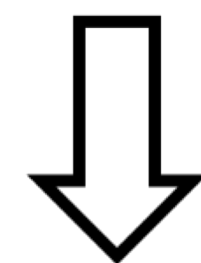
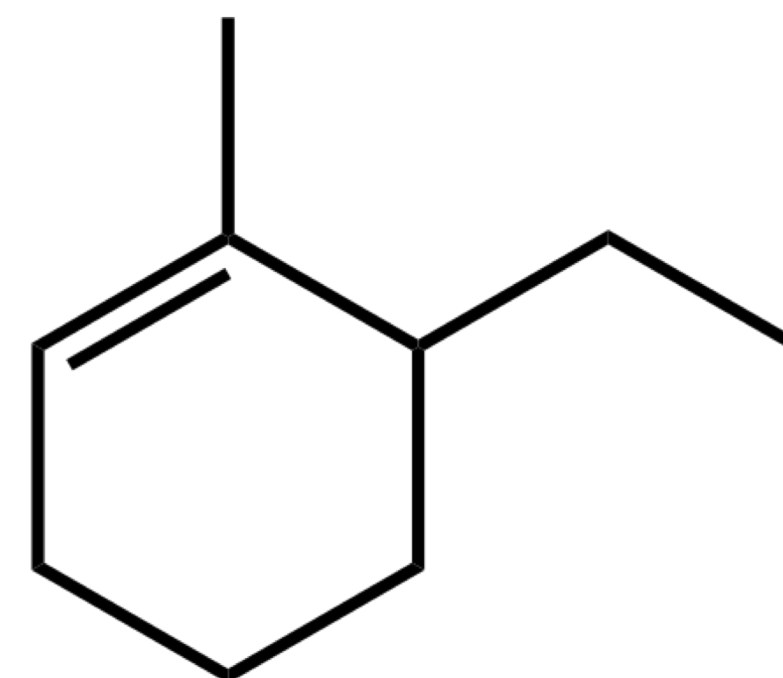
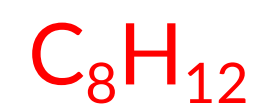
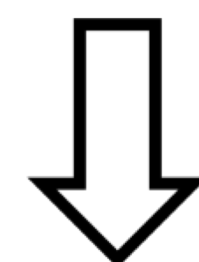
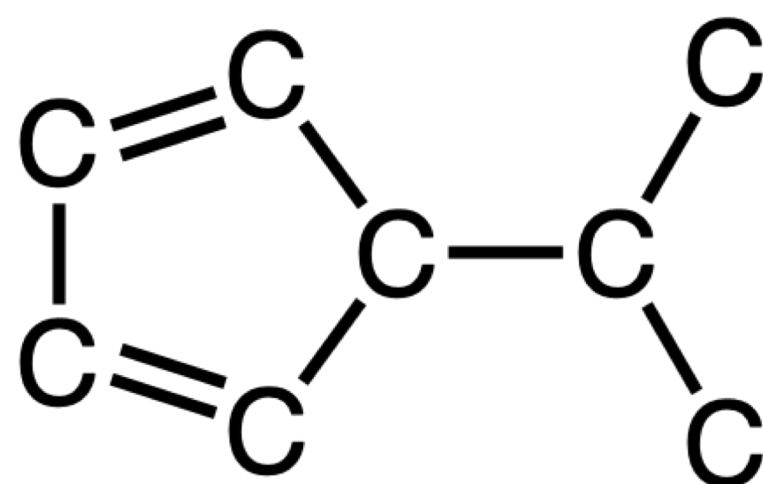
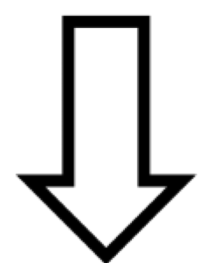
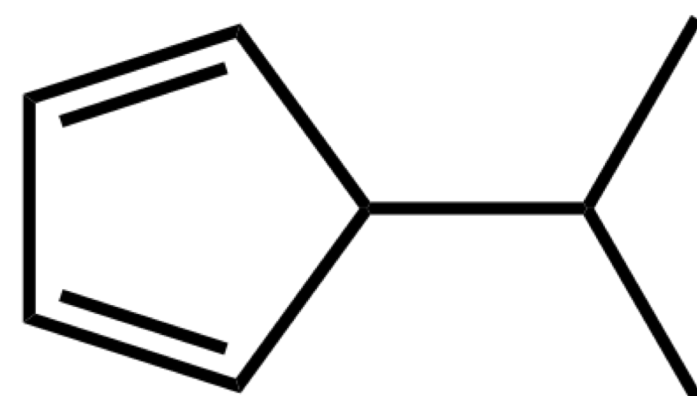
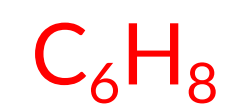
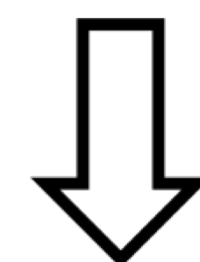
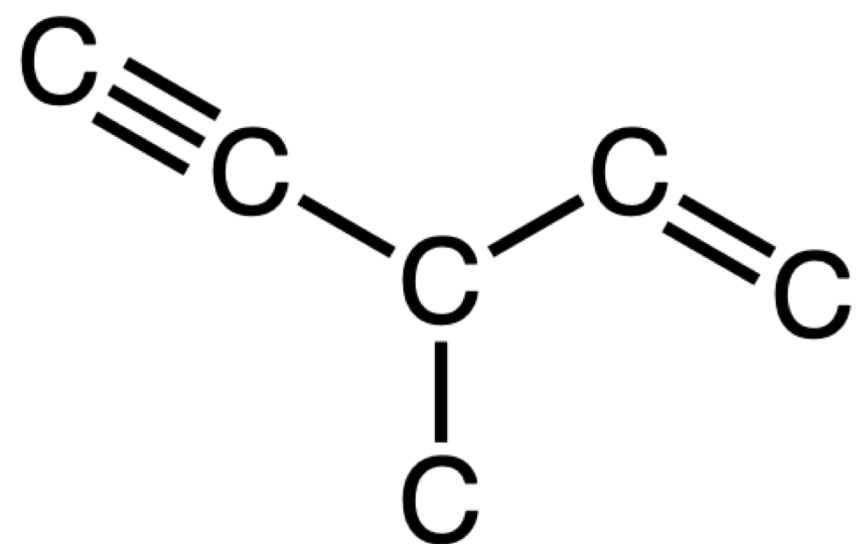
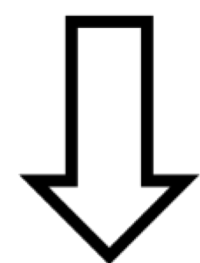
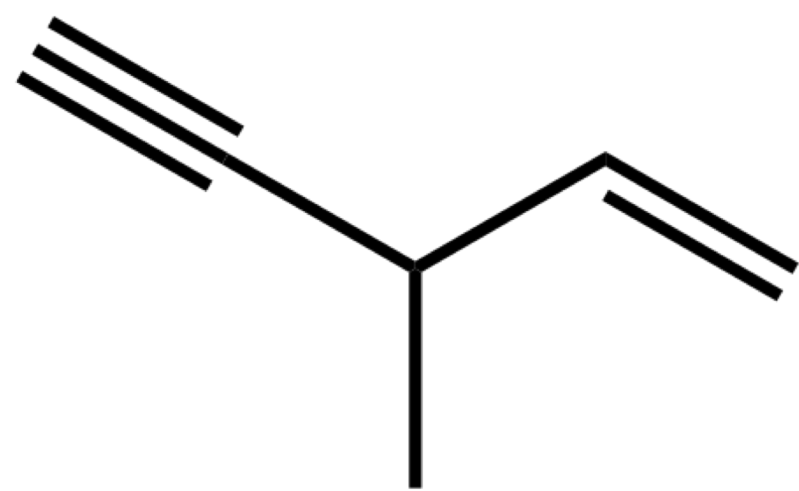
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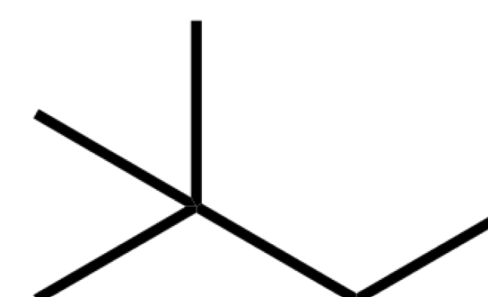
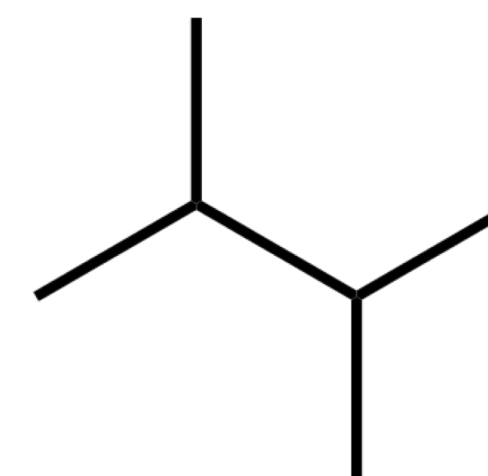
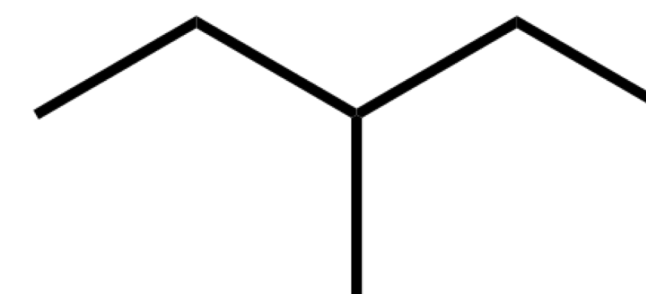
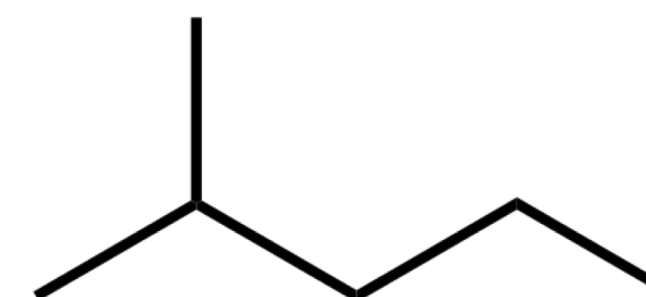
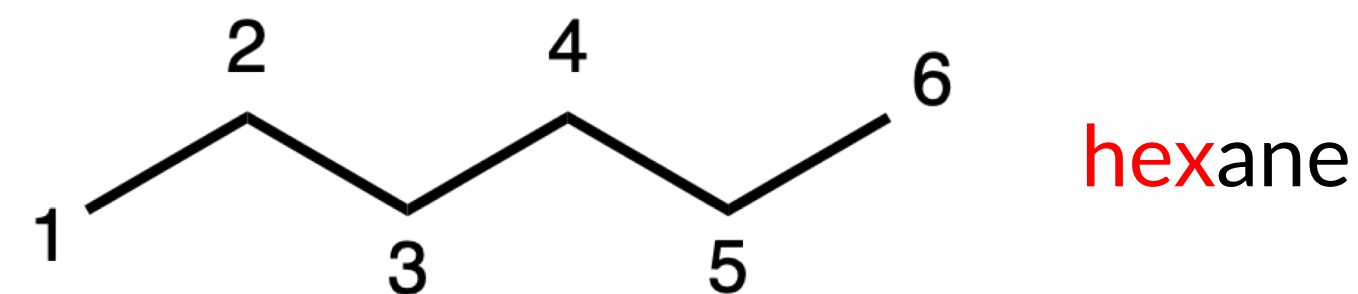
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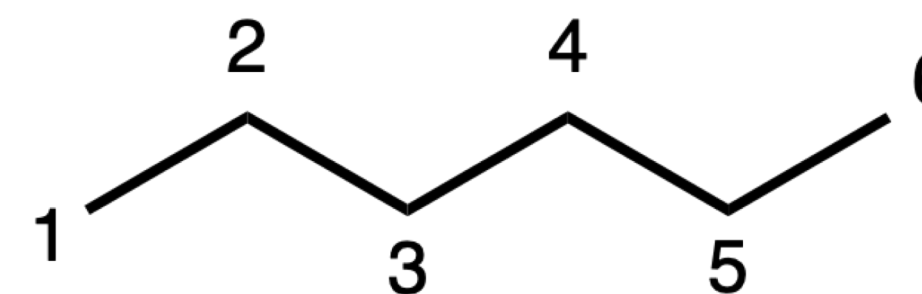
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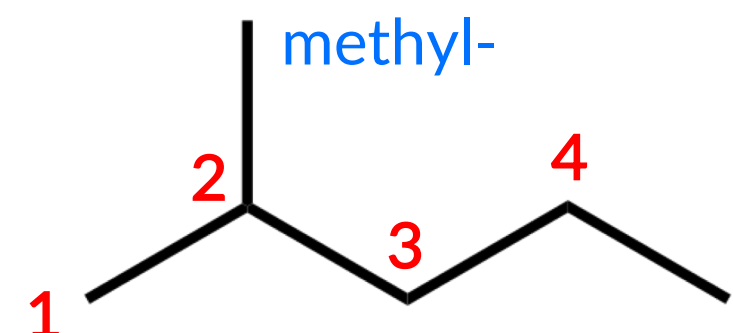
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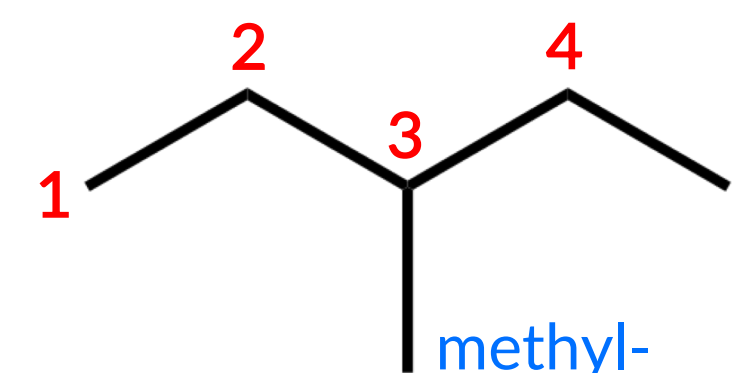
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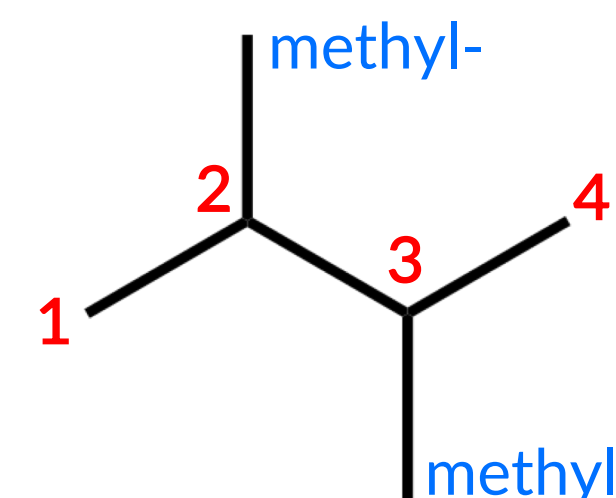
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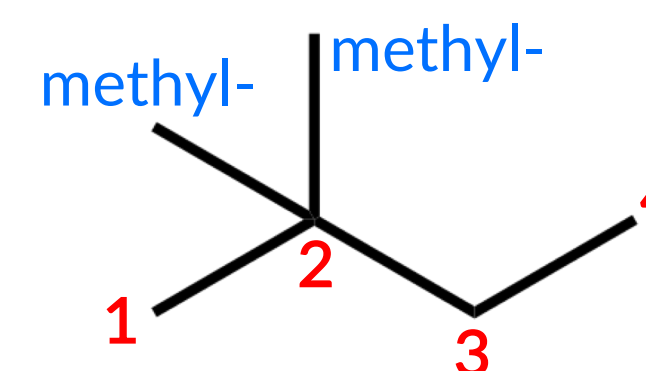
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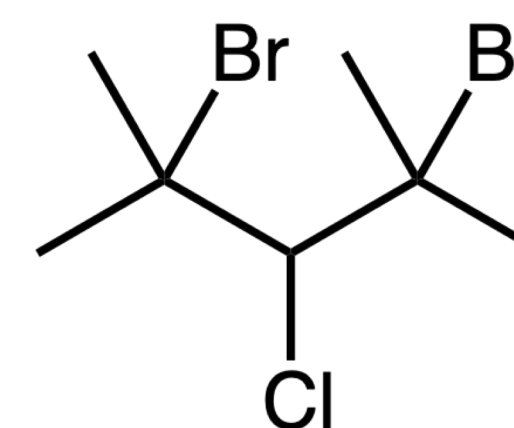
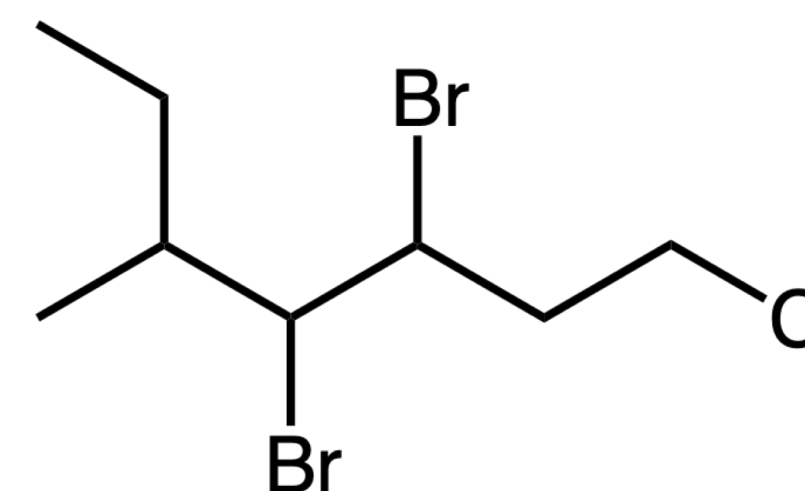
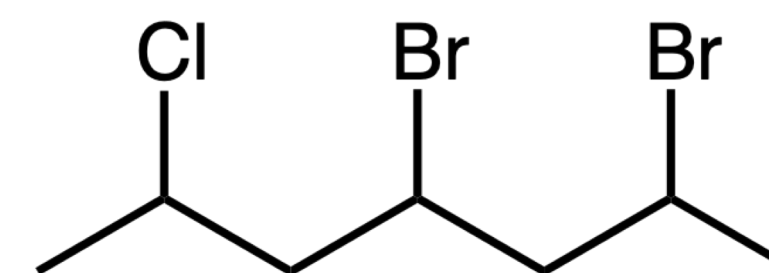
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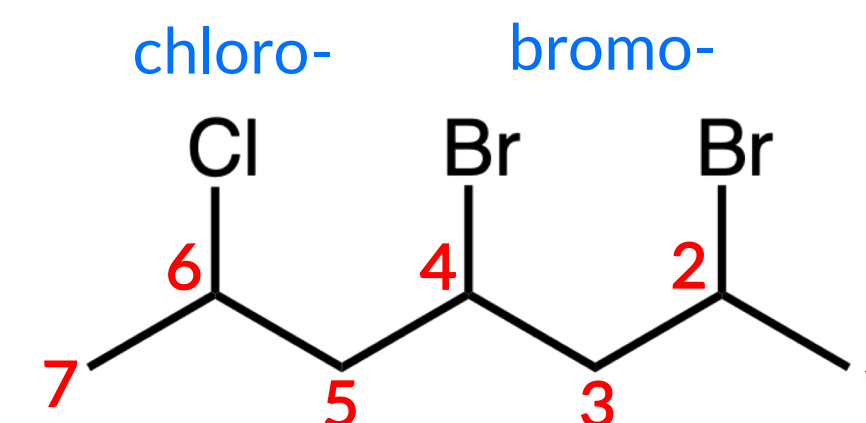
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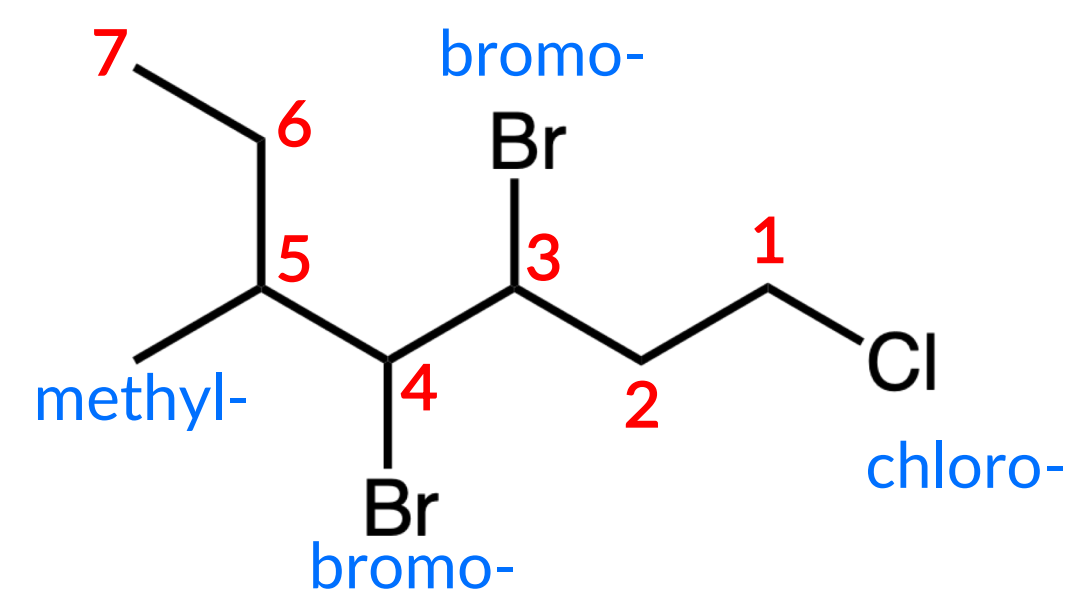
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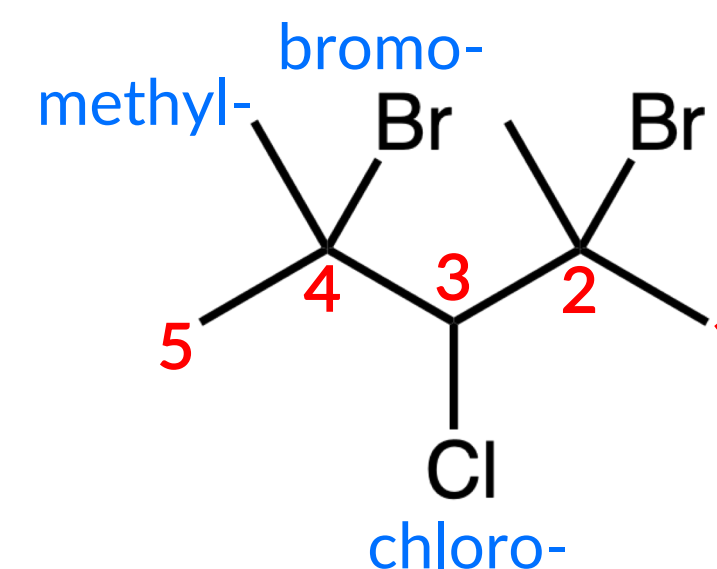
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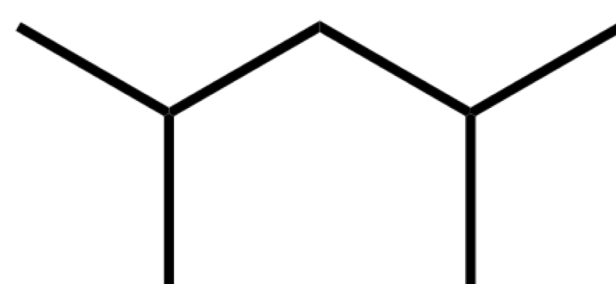
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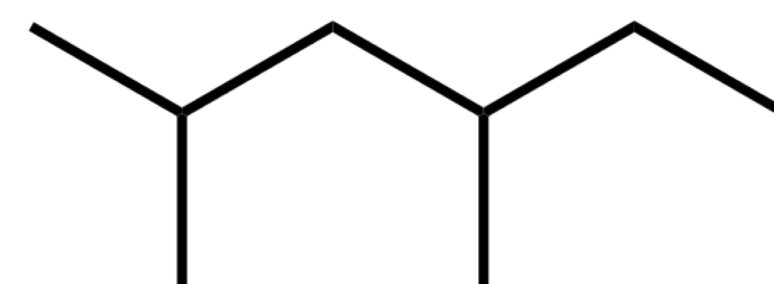
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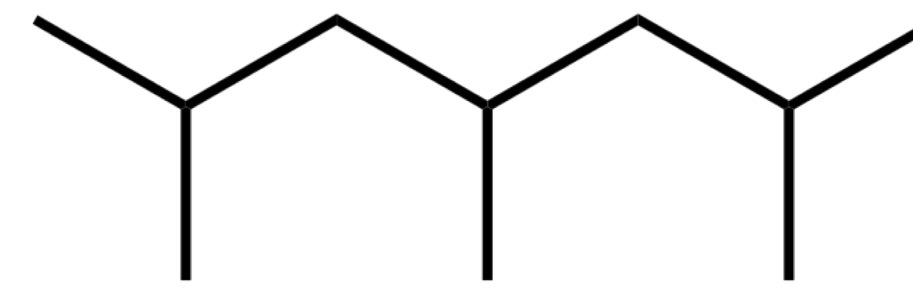
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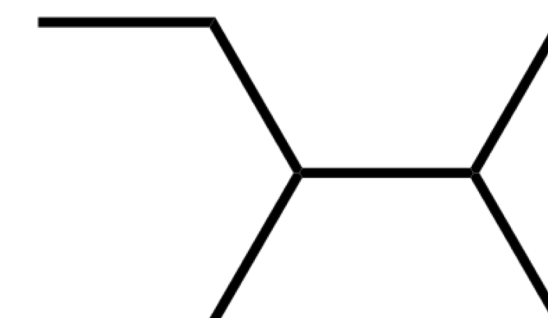
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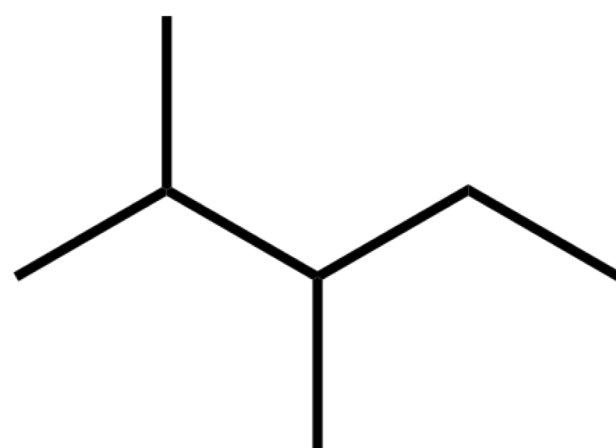


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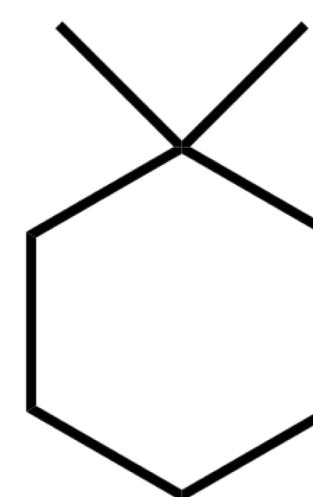


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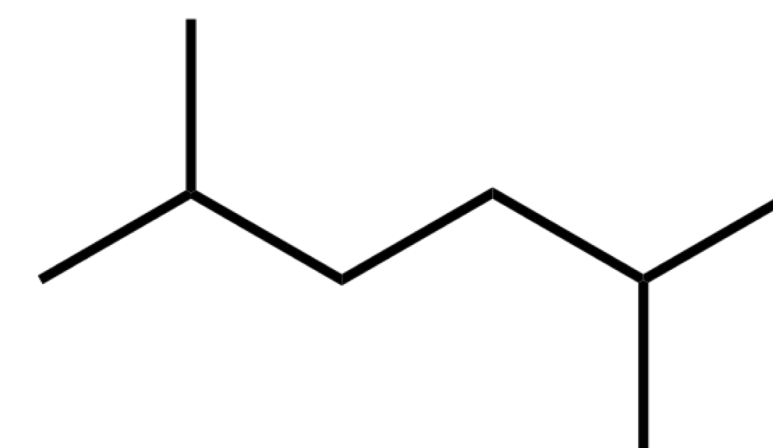
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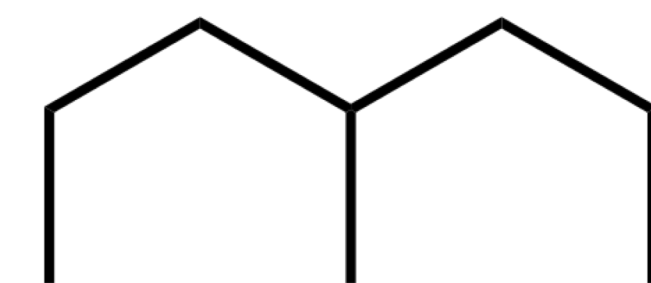
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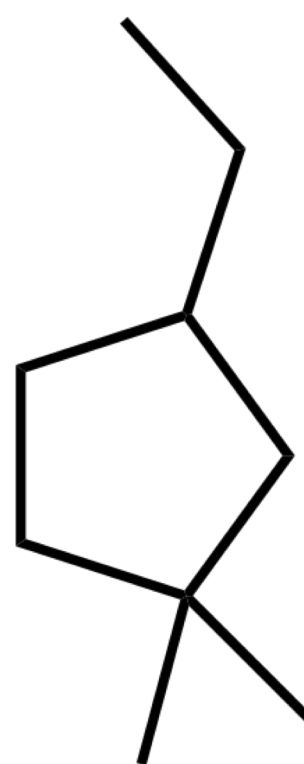
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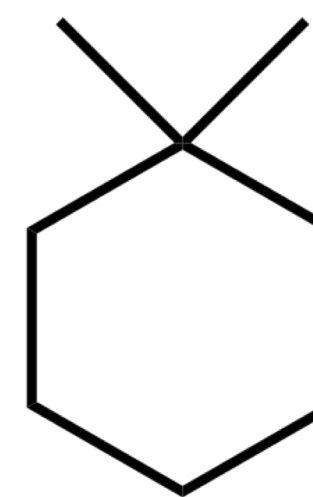
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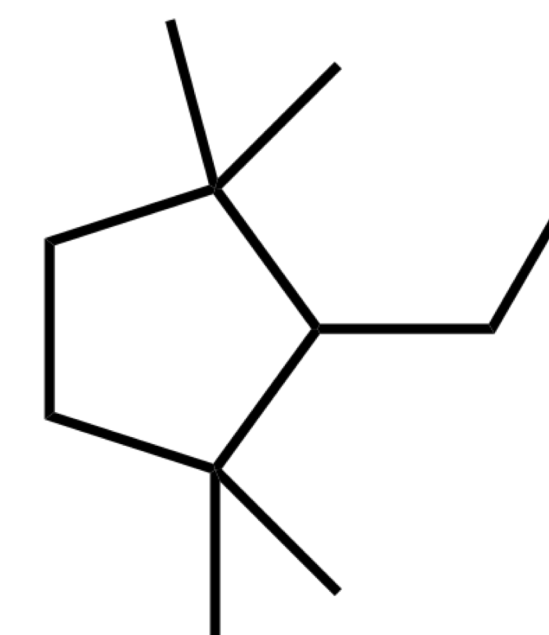
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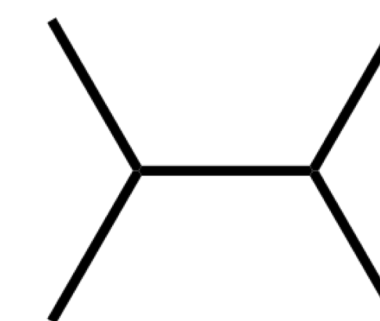
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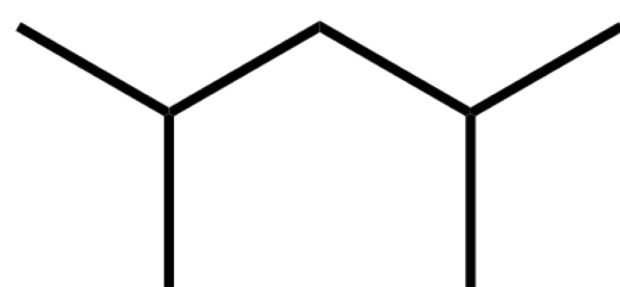
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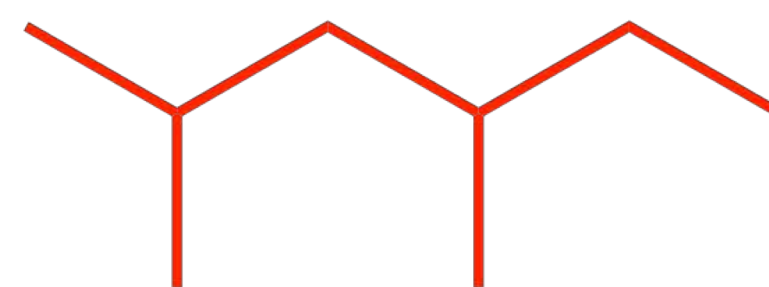
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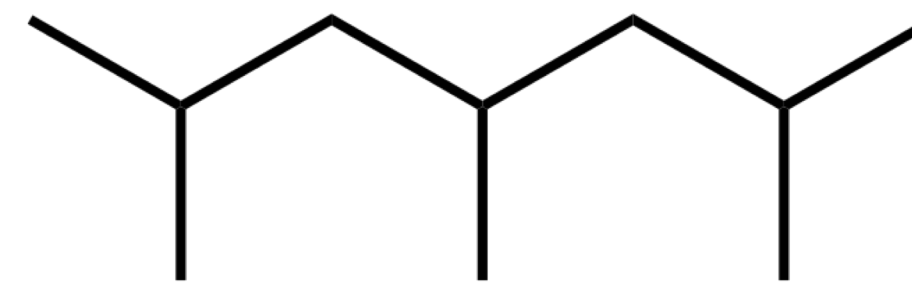
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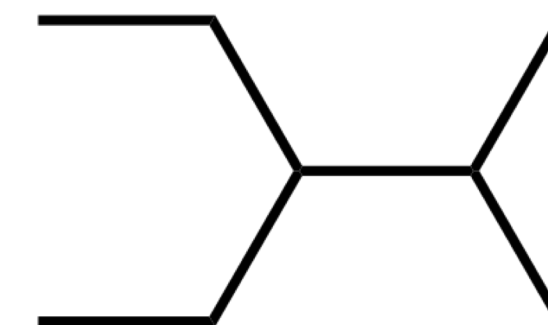
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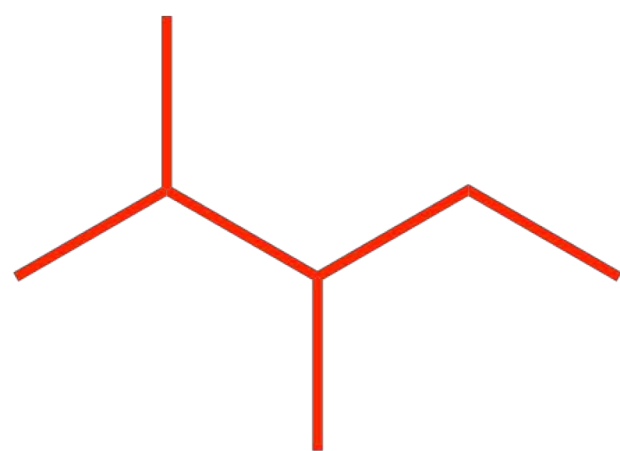
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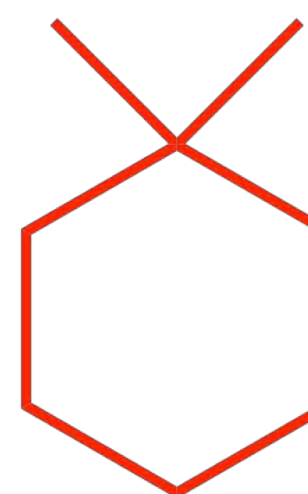
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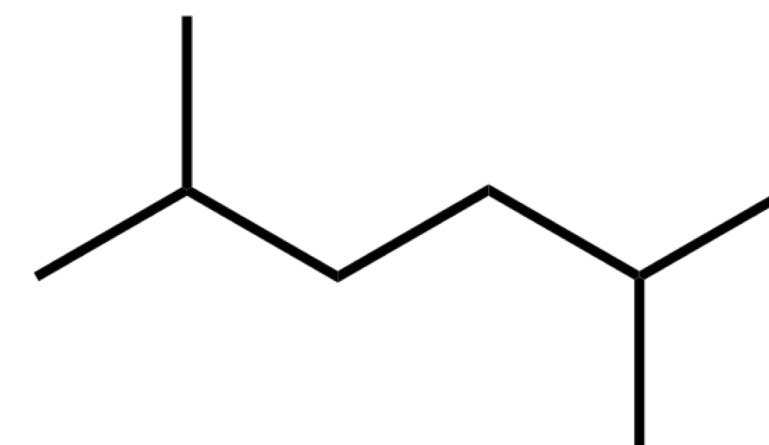
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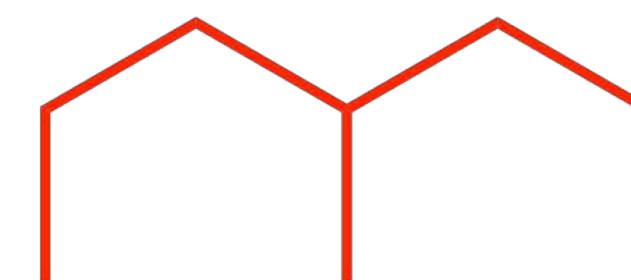
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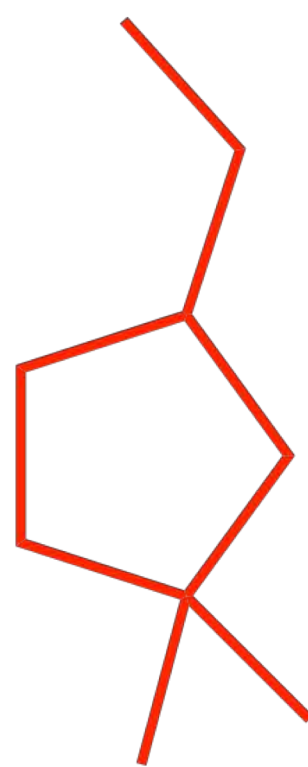


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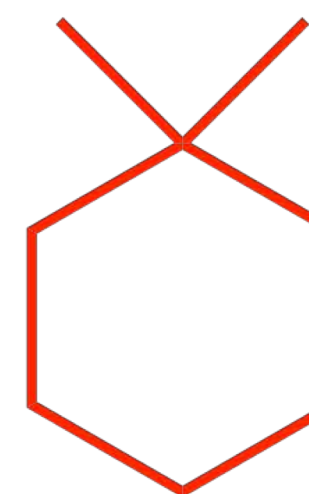
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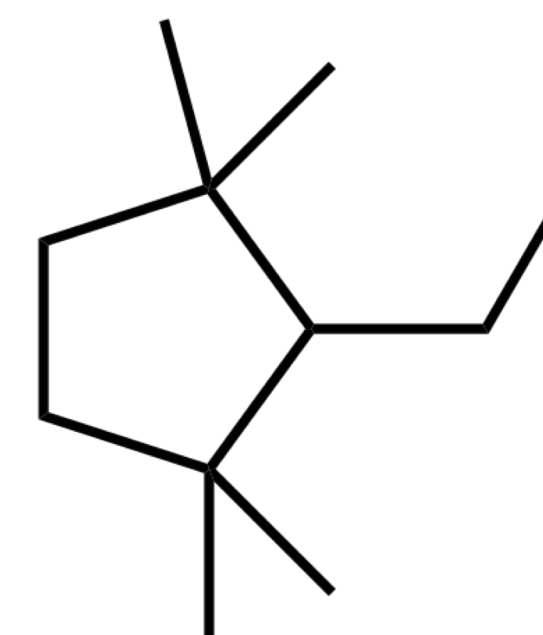
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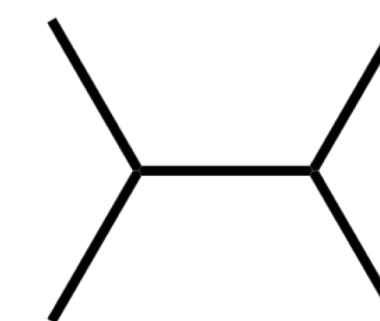
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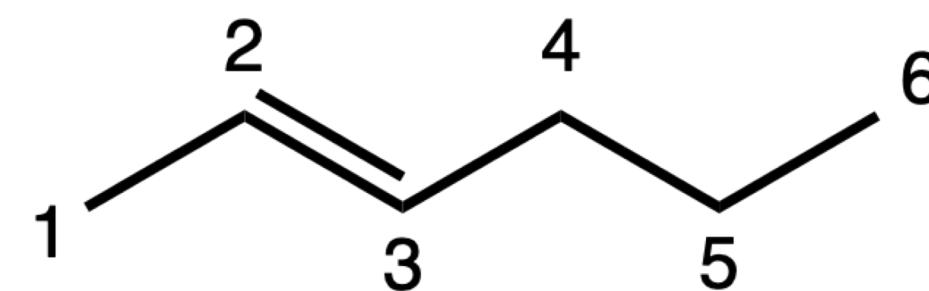
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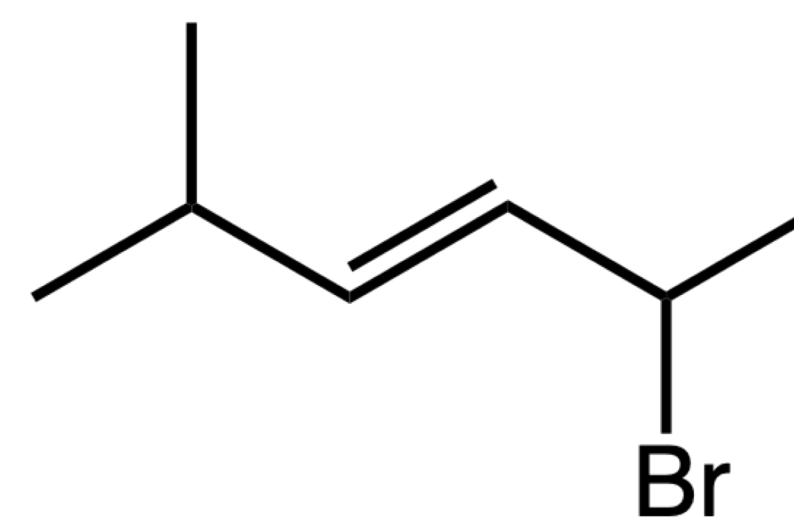
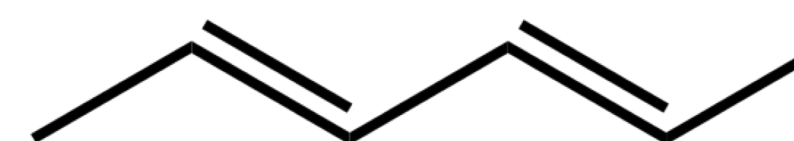
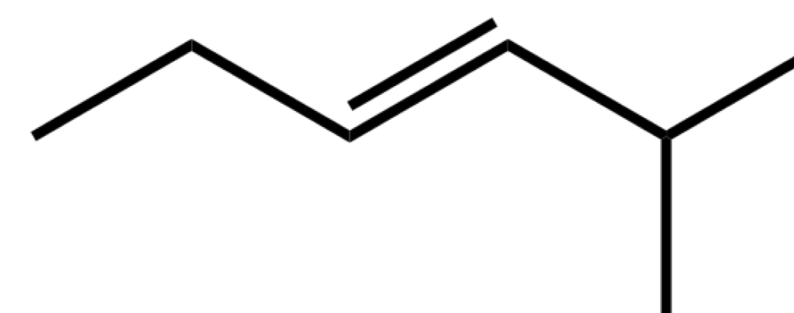
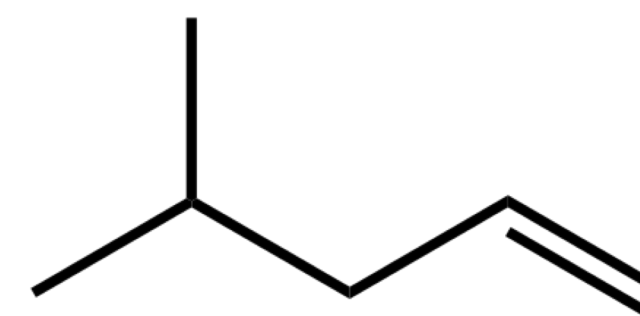
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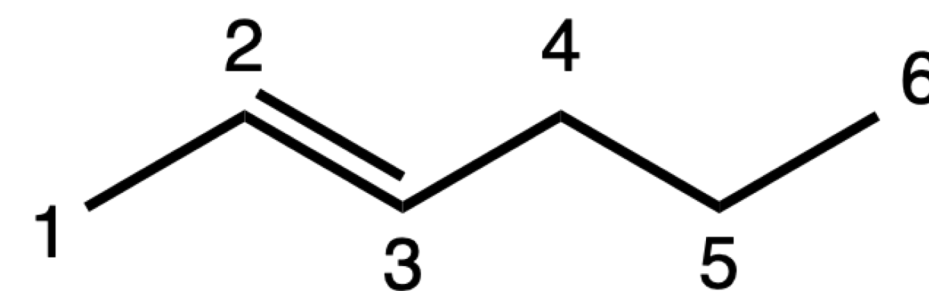
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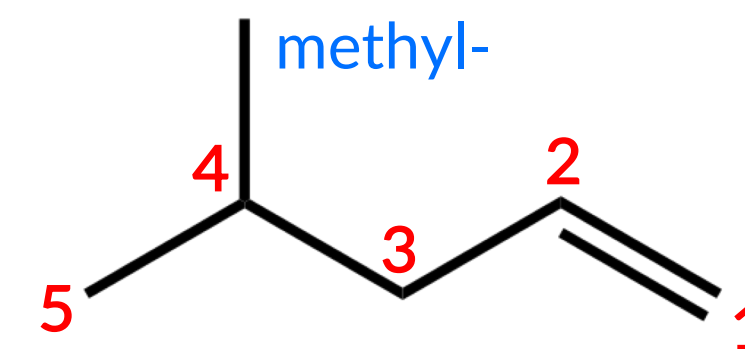
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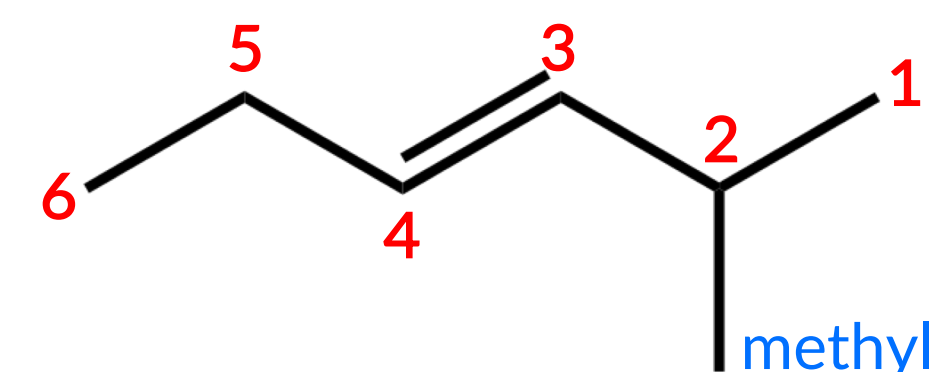
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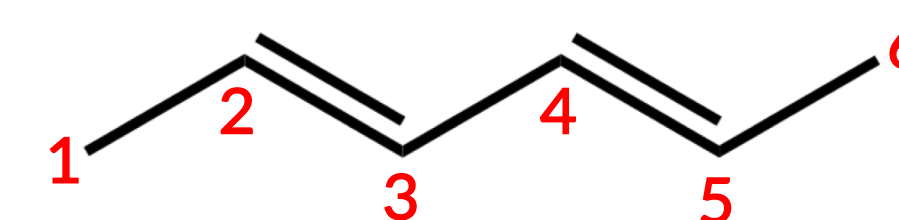
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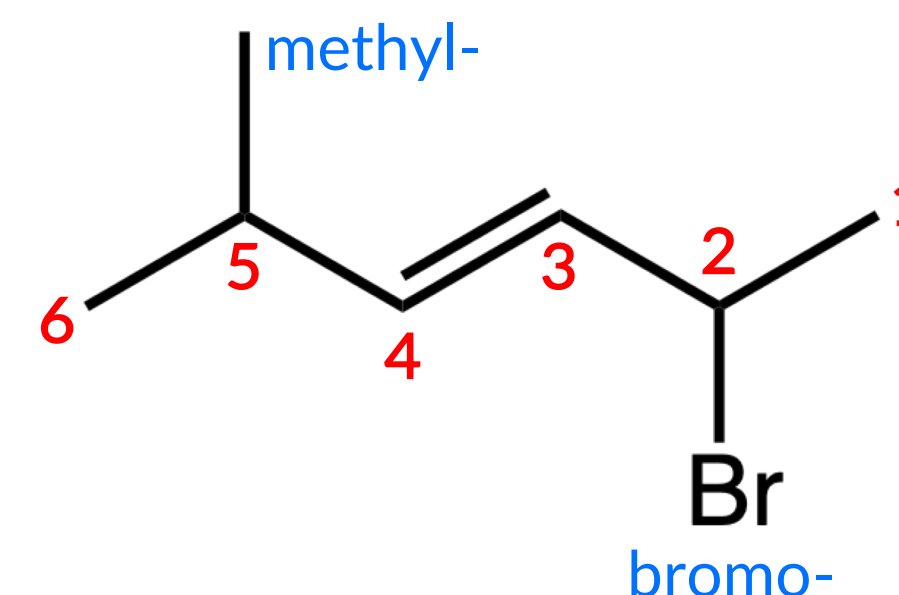
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2,4-**hexa**diene
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2-**bromo**-5-**methyl**-3-**hex**ene
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PRACTICE PROBLEM 3

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6-methylhept-3-ene

3,4-dichlorocyclopent-1-ene

2-chloro-4-methylhexa-2,4-diene

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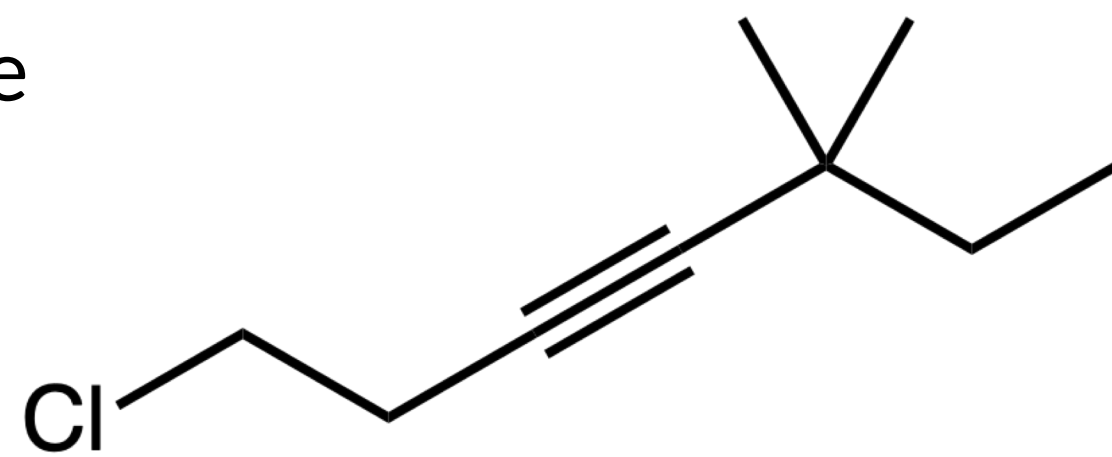
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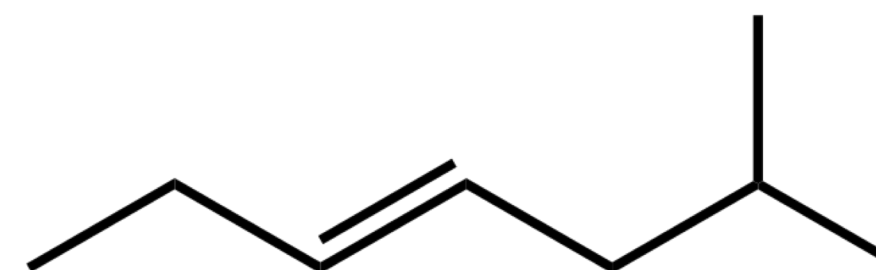
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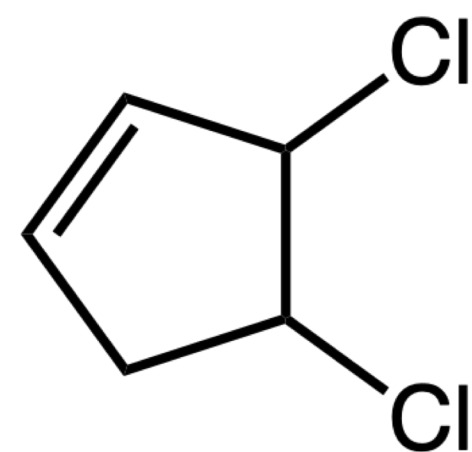
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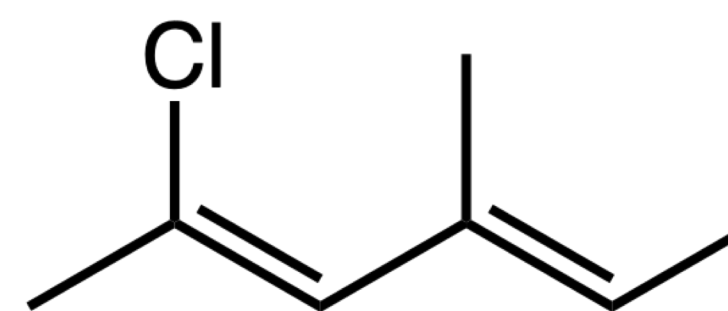
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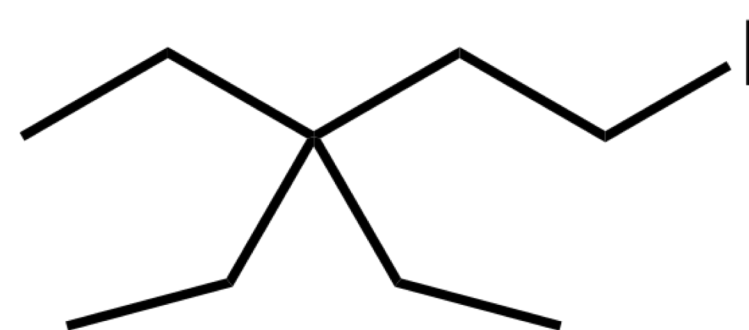
3,4-dichlorocyclopent-1-ene



2-chloro-4-methylhexa-2,4-diene



3,3-diethyl-1-iodopentane



4-methylpent-2-yne

