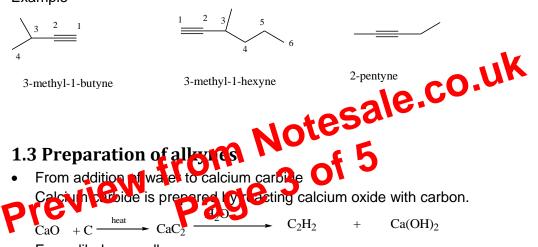
• Number the alkyne parent chain such that the triple bond is given the lowest number possible Example



• From dihalogenoalkanes

Vicinal dihaloalkane and germinal dihaloalkanes give alkynes when reacted with strong bases such as "OH

$$\begin{array}{c|c} H & H \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ H \\ \hline \\ Br \\ Br \\ Br \\ \end{array} \xrightarrow{KOH} \underbrace{KOH}_{CH_3CH_2OH} \xrightarrow{}$$

• Higher alkynes can be synthesized from acetylene.

Reacting acetylene with strong bases such as amides ($^{(-)}NH_2$) and not (^{-}OH or $^{-}OCH_3$). The p*K*a of acetylene and terminal alkynes is approximately 25, which makes them stronger acids than ammonia (pKa = 36) but weaker acids than alcohols. Sodium amide will abstract a proton from acetylene forming acetylide ion which the reacts with an alkyl halide forming a terminal alkyne with an elongated carbon framework.

$$\xrightarrow{\bigcirc} \xrightarrow{CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2Br} \xrightarrow{\qquad} CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_3$$
(Alkylation reaction)

Alkylation can be repeated and a terminal alkyne can be converted to an internal alkyne