

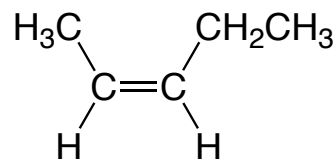
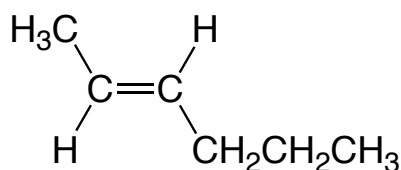
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cis/trans nomenclature – older chemical nomenclature, but still used commonly in biochemistry – most useful when each sp^2 atom of the double bond has an H atom.

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 - c. **cis** if whole main chain is on the same side of the double bond.
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E,Z nomenclature - A general IUPAC nomenclature to names alkenes.



Z (zusammen) = same side, same side, same side

E (entgegen) = opposite side

5. On each carbon of the double bond rank the two groups according to the Cahn, Ingold, Prelog priority rules (*R* vs. *S* rules).
6. If both of the highest-ranking groups are on the same side of the double bond it is **Z**.
7. If both of the highest-ranking groups are on opposite sides of the double bond it is **E**.

