## Alkyne Nomenclature

- 1. Find the longest continuous C chain that includes the C≡C bond. The number of C's in this chain gives the root name, with the -yne suffix. (Cyclo- prefix used if the longest chain is a ring.)
- 2. Number the C chain so that the triple bond will be designated with the lowest number rather than a substituent (i.e.,  $C \equiv C$  has a higher priority than a substituent).
  - If there are two options with the same number of C's, choose the numbering which gives the lower number for a substituent at the first instance of difference.
- 3. Indicate the position of the triple bond and the substituents by number location. Substituents and their locations precede the location of the triple bond and the root name.
  - C≡C involves sequentially numbered C/s, but only the lower number is noted.
  - If a mono-substituted ring, the C≡C is between C1 & C2 and is not overtly designated by number location. (For an unsubstituted ring, there is no number location.)
- 4. A compound with C=C & C≡C is an enyne. Number these from the end nearer the first multiple bond. If there is a choice, the double bond is designated with the lower number.

CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CHCH <sub>2</sub> C≡CCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> 6-Methyl-3-octyne OR 6-Methyloct-3-yne	2-Heptyne OR Hept-2-yne
HC≡CCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH = CH <sub>2</sub> 1-Hepten-6-yne OR Hept-1-en-6-yne	
Note, C=C is higher priority w/ numbering, but suffix is yne	4-Isopropylcyclooctyne