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St Aloysius College (Autonomous)
Mangaluru
Semester IV – P.G. Examination – M.Sc. Chemistry
May - 2024
ORGANIC SYNTHETIC METHODS

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 70

PART - A

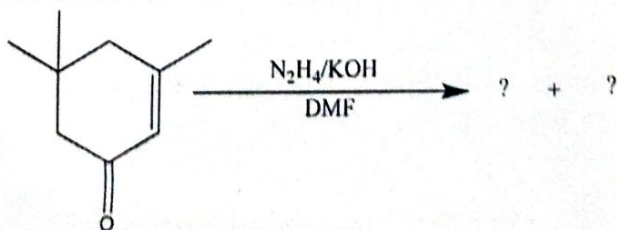
1. Answer any **FIVE** questions of the following: (5x2=10)
- How do transition metal catalysts participate in homogenous catalysis reactions?
 - What is acyloin condensation? Give an example.
 - Give Curtius rearrangement.
 - Explain the mechanism of the reaction of peracid with keto compound.
 - Describe the structure of Penicillin -V.
 - Write any two carbon-carbon single bond forming reactions.
 - Perform the retrosynthetic analysis of phenacetin.
 - Discuss any two basic principles in disconnection approach.

PART - B

Answer any **FIVE** of the following choosing at least one full question from each unit: (5x12=60)

UNIT - I

- Explain the role of sodium borohydride as a reducing agent in organic chemistry. (4)
 - What is heterogenous catalysis? Discuss the catalysts used in it. (4)
 - Outline the bimolecular reduction of esters. (4)
- Predict the product with the mechanism for the following and also mention the name of the reaction: (4)



- Compare and contrast the reactivity of sodium borohydride with lithium aluminum hydride. Provide examples. (4)
 - Write a note on reduction using diimide. (4)

UNIT - II

- Describe the importance of Pinacol-Pinacolone rearrangement. (4)
 - Explain the mechanism of oxidation of aldehydes by SeO_2 . (4)
 - Discuss the mechanism of Neber rearrangement. (4)

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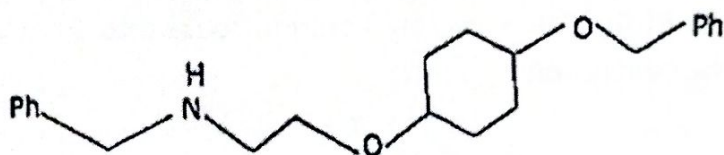
- 5.a) Explain Demaynov rearrangement. (4)
 b) Propose a suitable mechanism for the oxidation of aromatic side chain by KMnO_4 . (4)
 c) Outline the application of HIO_4 in organic synthesis. (4)

UNIT - III

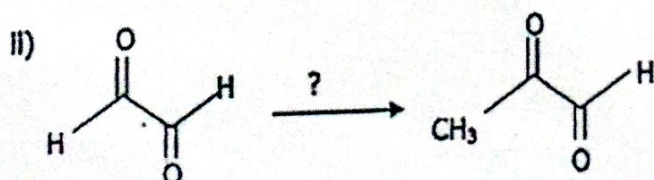
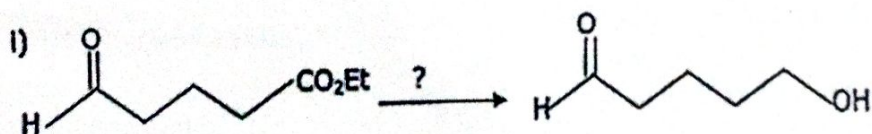
- 6.a) Explain the mechanism of 6-Methoxy-1-tetralone. (4)
 b) Write a note on Thorpe condensation. (4)
 c) Explain the mechanism of Robinson annulations. (4)
- 7.a) Describe 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition reaction with mechanism. (4)
 b) Write a note on Suzuki coupling reaction. (4)
 c) Explain the mechanism of Arndt-Eistert reaction with mechanism. (4)

UNIT - IV

- 8.a) Provide all the possible disconnections and suggest a synthetic scheme (4) for the following molecule. Describe the rationale of your chosen synthetic method.



- b) Suggest any two reagents for the protection of carbonyl compounds. (4)
 Write the protection and deprotection reactions.
- c) What is FGI? What is its importance in synthesis? Explain with examples. (4)
- 9.a) Give one group and two group C-C disconnections with suitable examples. (4)
 b) Suggest retrosynthetic schemes for chlorobenzide and 2,4-dichloro phenoxy acetic acid. (4)
 c) Explain the conversion: (4)



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RADIATION AND PHOTOCHEMISTRY

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PART - A

1. Answer any **FIVE** questions of the following: (5x2=10)
- Explain the proportional counters.
 - What is gamma emission?
 - Explain chemical equilibrium exchange reactions for D₂O.
 - Give two major applications of radiochromatography.
 - What is natural radiative life time of the atoms or molecules?
 - What is the use of flash spectroscopic technique in photochemistry?
 - Using Jablonski diagram, represent the pathways leading to Phosphorescence.
 - Write the relationship between intensity of fluorescence and concentration and explain the terms.

PART - B

Answer any **FIVE** of the following choosing at least one full question from each unit: (5x12=60)

UNIT – I

- Derive an expression for the growth of a radioactive daughter nucleus in the following disintegration series. $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3$ Deduce the conditions for transient and secular equilibrium. (4)
- Briefly explain the principle and instrumentation of Breeder reactor. (4)
- Write a note on Si(Li) semiconductor detectors. (4)
- Write a note on NaI(Tl) scintillation detector. (4)
- Write a note on liquid drop model and mention its merits and limitations (4)
- Explain the factors that influence the Nuclear stability. (4)

UNIT – II

- Write a note on radioactive waste management. (4)
- Explain the methods used in the production of radioisotopes with suitable examples. (4)
- Explain the utility of radioisotopes in tracing solubility of sparingly soluble salts. (4)

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- 5.a) Compare and contrast acute and chronic radiation exposure, including their long-term effects. (4)
- b) Explain the medical applications of radioisotopes. (4)
- c) Define LET, Rad, Roentgen, and G-value in radiation physics and discuss their significance in radiation dosimetry. (4)

UNIT - III

- 6.a) Discuss in detail the reasons for high ϕ with a suitable example. (4)
- b) Define solvatochromism. Explain the Hypsochromic shift by taking an example. (4)
- c) Discuss the acidity constant of electronically excited molecules. (4)
- 7.a) Differentiate between thermal and photochemical reactions. (4)
- b) State Frank-Condon principle. Explain the shapes of absorption bands based on this principle. (4)
- c) Write the schematic representation of Actinometry and explain the parts. (4)

UNIT - IV

- 8.a) Explain photoisomerization and photo dissociation reactions by taking suitable example for each. (4)
- b) Derive the kinetics of unimolecular photochemical processes. (4)
- c) Explain fluorescence and phosphorescence phenomena shown by the molecules. Give their applications. (4)
- 9.a) Explain in detail the quenching of fluorescence. (4)
- b) Discuss the following: (4)
- i. Solar energy utilization ii. Water splitting reactions
- c) Write a note on rotating-can phosphoroscope with the schematic representation. (4)

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CHEMISTRY OF POLYMERS AND NATURAL PRODUCTS

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PART - A

1. Answer any **FIVE** questions of the following: (5x2=10)
- What is the tensile strength of a polymer?
 - What are linear and branched polymers?
 - Write any two differences between glass transition temperature and melting point temperature.
 - Write the principle of end group analysis.
 - How is glycolysis important in the biogenesis of natural products?
 - What are the various groups of opium derived alkaloids? Give any examples to each group
 - Define pericyclic reactions.
 - What is an ene reaction? How is it similar to Diels-Alder reaction?

PART - B

Answer any **FIVE** of the following choosing at least one full question from each unit: (5x12=60)

UNIT - I

- Discuss Gradient elution technique with a schematic representation. (4)
 - Write the mechanism of free radical polymerization. (4)
 - Give the comparative account of step growth and chain growth polymerisation. (4)
- Discuss Polydispersity and molecular weight distribution in polymers. (4)
 - With a neat diagram, compare crystalline and amorphous polymers. (4)
 - Describe emulsion polymerization technique. (4)

UNIT - II

- Explain calendaring and film casting techniques. (4)
 - Describe sedimentation method of determination of molecular weight of polymer (4)
 - Elucidate the use of DSC technique in polymer characterisation. (4)
- Discuss the blow moulding method of polymer processing. (4)
 - Discuss the injection moulding method of polymer processing. (4)
 - Discuss the technique of reinforcement in polymers with an example. (4)

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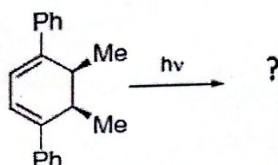
UNIT - III

- 6.a) Illustrate the total synthesis of Menthol. What are the important reagents and reactions involved? (4)
- b) Explain the biogenesis and precursors of alkaloids. (4)
- c) What are the steps involved in the total synthesis of Morphine? (4)
- 7.a) What are the various methods used in the structural elucidation of abietic acid? (4)
- b) Outline the total synthesis of α -Pinene. (4)
- c) Illustrate the total synthesis of Papaverine. (4)

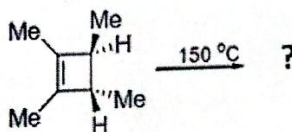
UNIT - IV

- 8.a) Describe the suprafacial and antarafacial sigmatropic rearrangement of hydrogen and carbon moiety. (4)
- b) How FMO analysis can be used to study Diels-Alder reaction? (4)
- c) With suitable rearrangement reaction, predict the most favourable product of allyl vinyl ether. (4)
- 9.a) Detail Cope rearrangement. Explain the regio and stereo specificity involved. (4)
- b) Predict the products and explain. (4)

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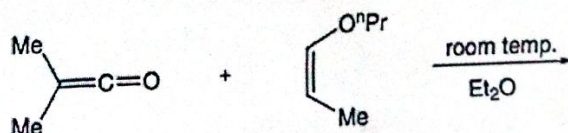


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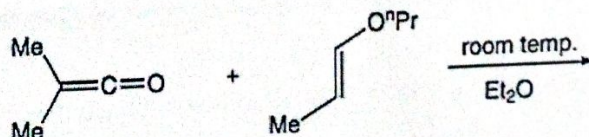


- c) Predict the products for these reactions and explain the salient features of Ketene reactions. (4)

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SOLID STATE AND NANO CHEMISTRY

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PART - A

(7x2=14)

1. Answer any **SEVEN** questions of the following:
- Define 'Unit cell' and 'Space lattice'.
 - Write the Wierl equation and give its significance.
 - Define systematic absences. Give its importance in X-ray diffraction studies.
 - What are stoichiometric and non-stoichiometric defects? Give an example for each.
 - Differentiate between ionic and electronic conduction.
 - Define Hall Effect.
 - What is meant by drying of gels? Give its importance.
 - How do you synthesize nano materials by co precipitation method?
 - Define nano dimensions. Give examples.

PART - B

Answer any **FOUR** of the following choosing at least one full question from each unit: (4x14=56)

UNIT- I

- What are the factors affecting the intensities of diffracted X-rays? (4)
 - Explain the low energy electron diffraction technique and mention any two applications. (5)
 - Describe the Debye-Scherrer method of diffraction technique with a neat schematic diagram. (5)
- Write a short note on calculation of number of particles in a cubic unit cell. (4)
 - Discuss the Weisenberg method for determining the structure of solids. (5)
 - Write a note on generation of X-rays. (5)

UNIT- II

- Explain the precursor method of solid synthesis with an example. (4)
 - Discuss the thermodynamics of Schottky defect formation in solids. (5)
 - Describe the non-stoichiometry in FeO. (5)

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- 5. a) Elaborate the formation of p-n junction. Discuss reverse and forward biasing. (4)
- b) Discuss the zoning and skull melting techniques of crystal growth. (5)
- c) Differentiate between piezoelectric and pyroelectric properties of solids. (5)

UNIT- III

- 6. a) Define self-assembly. Explain the sol-gel process of synthesizing nanomaterials. (4)
 - b) Elaborate the application of nanomaterials in the field of medicine and catalysis. (5)
 - c) What are carbon nanotubes? Discuss their application. (5)
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- 7. a) Describe the formation of xerogels and aerogels. Give their applications. (4)
 - b) Write a note on smart materials. (5)
 - c) Describe the hydrothermal synthesis of nanoparticles. (5)
