

EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA

SECOND EXAMINATION IN SCIENCE-2014/2015

(November/December' 2017)

FIRST SEMESTER

CH204 REACTION MECHANISM AND AROMATICITY

(Proper)

Answer all questions

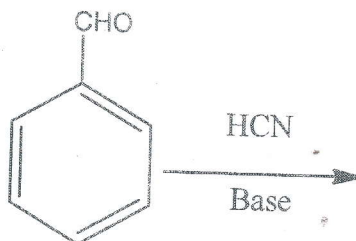
Time Allowed: One hour

I (a) Propose a suitable mechanism for the following reactions.

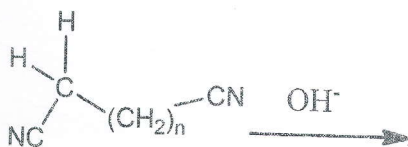
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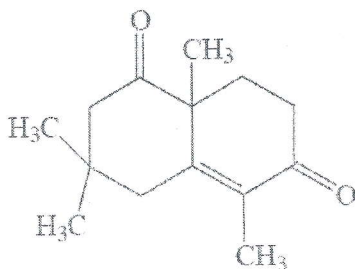
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(30 Marks)

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(b) Propose a detailed mechanism for the formation of the following product of Robinson annulation reaction.



(30 Ma

(c) Draw the structures of the products (two β -ketoesters) formed in equal amount by the Dieckmann cyclization reaction involving diethyl 3-methylheptanedioate.

(20 Ma

(d) Suggest a possible mechanism for the reaction between benzaldehyde and propanoic anhydride in the presence of potassium propanoate.

(20 Ma

2 (a) Describe the following briefly;

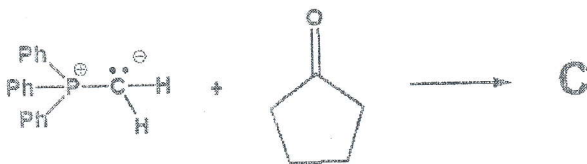
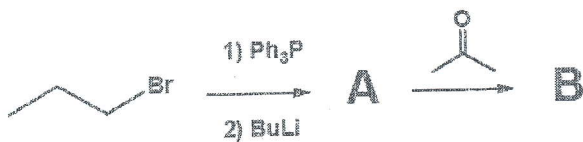
(i) aromaticity of annulenes

(ii) Craig rules for poly nuclear benzoid compounds

(20 Ma

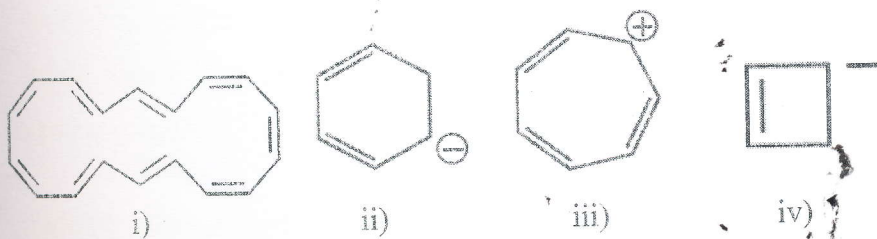
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(b) Write down the possible products (A, B, C, D) of the following reactions.



(20 Marks)

(c) State Huckel's rules for aromaticity. Classify the following compounds as aromatic, antiaromatic and non-aromatic and justify your answer.



(20 Marks)

(d) Using polygon & Circle method to find out whether the following compounds are aromatic or not.



(20 Marks)

(e) What are polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons? Explain the Haworth synthesis of anthracene.

(20 Marks)

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