

## EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA THIRD EXAMINATION IN SCIENCE-2013/2014 (2019) SPECIAL DEGREE IN CHEMISTRY CHS 02 Organic Chemistry I

## Answer all questions

1.

Time Allowed: Two hour

a) Most of the Diels—Alder reactions use electron-deficient dienophiles and electron-rich dienes. The electron-deficient dienophile has a low-energy LUMO and the electron-rich diene has a high-energy HOMO so that this combination gives a better overlap in the transition state. *Apply* frontier molecular Orbital theory to determine the preferred mode (suprafacial or antarafacial) of cycloaddition reaction of (3E)-2-Methyl-1,3-pentadiene and ethylene under thermal and photochemical condition and hence *predict* the stereochemistry of the product formed in each case.

(40 marks)

b) Draw the structure of **P** and suggest plausible mechanisms for the two steps A-P and P-B.

(25 marks)

c) The very acidic proton on acetylchloride compounds can be removed even with a tertiary amine with loss of chloride ion to obtain ketene. The compound  $\mathbf{P}$  is obtained by reacting the compound  $\mathbf{C}$  with triethylamine. When  $\mathbf{P}$  is treated with cyclopentadiene, a very efficient stereospecific [2+2] cycloaddition occurs to give compound  $\mathbf{Q}$ .

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i. Explain the following reaction and draw the structure of P.

ii. Explain the formation of the final product **Q** and draw the structure of the proincluding the stereochemistry.

$$Q = \frac{1}{1}$$

(35 marks)

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i) Predict the structure of A and explain the reaction (step I) under photochemicondition.

ii) Explain the reaction (A to B) under thermal condition (step II).

(30 mar)

b) Draw the structures of the products B and C of the following reaction and explain.

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