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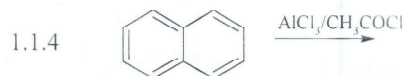
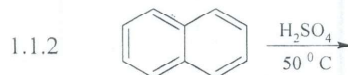
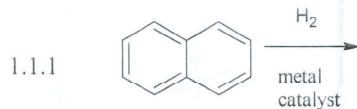
TIME: 03 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer all six (06) questions.
- Do not use any correction fluid.
- Use illustrations where necessary.

01. Answer all parts

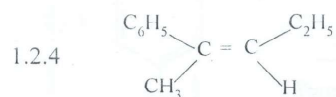
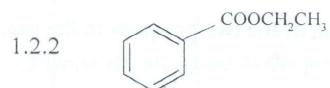
1.1 Draw the structural formulae for the possible products of the following reactions.



oxidizing

[30 marks]

1.2 Giving necessary **reducing** reagents and reaction conditions, draw the possible structures for the products.



[40 marks]

1.3 Give a suitable mechanism for the following Claisen-Schmidt reaction.



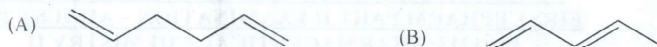
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02. Answer all parts

2.1

2.1.1 Of the following molecules /ions which are more stable?

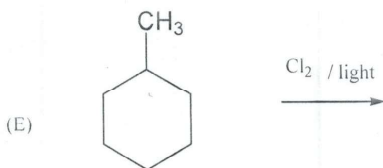


[10 marks]

2.1.2 Giving necessary structures explain your answer above in 2.1.1.

[15 marks]

2.2 Consider the two reactions given below:



2.2.1 Of the above two reactions, which one is faster?

[08 marks]

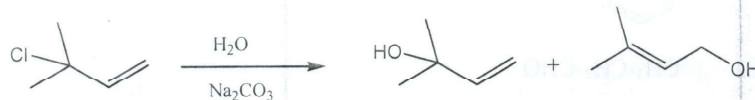
2.2.2 Draw the structure of the product(s) formed in the fast reaction according to your answer above.

[12 marks]

2.2.3 Giving appropriate mechanism, explain why the above mentioned reaction is faster.

[10 marks]

2.3 Giving necessary structures, explain the formation of the two products in the reaction below:



[25 marks]

2.4

2.4.1 What it meant by resonance energy of benzene?

[08 marks]

2.4.2 Using appropriate structures, explain why cycloheptatrienyl cation is more stable than cycloheptatriene.

[12 marks]

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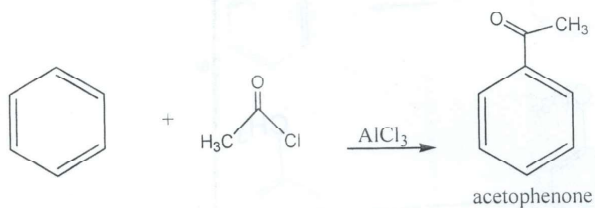
03. Answer all parts

3.1

3.1.1 Explain briefly why aromatic compounds generally undergo electrophilic substitution reactions.

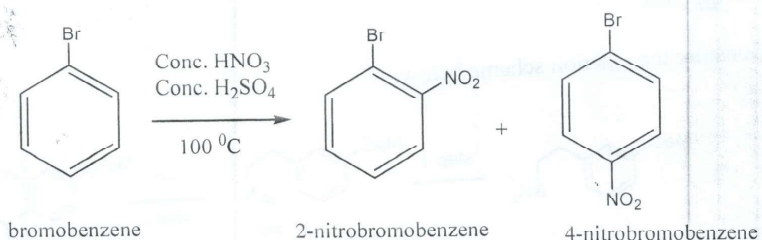
[10 marks]

3.1.2 Write down the complete mechanism for the following conversion.



[15 marks]

3.2 Consider the following reaction of nitration of bromobenzene:



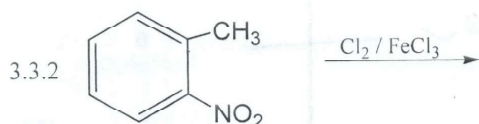
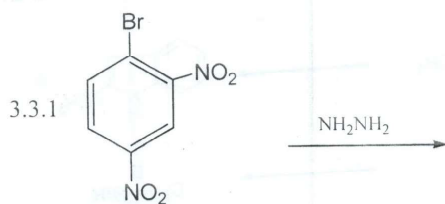
Using electronic effects explain why:

3.2.1 bromobenzene needs strong conditions for the nitration.

3.2.2 only 2-nitrobromobenzene and 4-nitrobromobenzene are formed.

[25 marks]

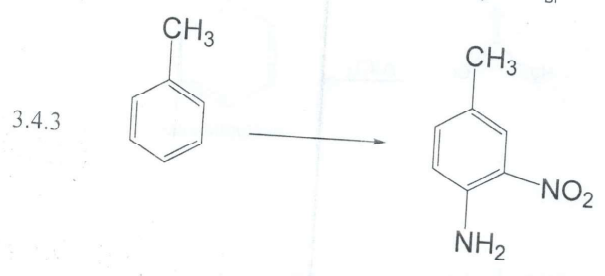
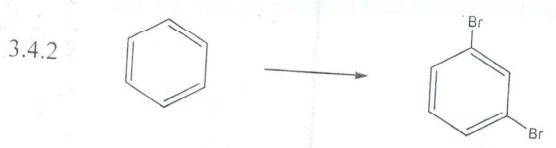
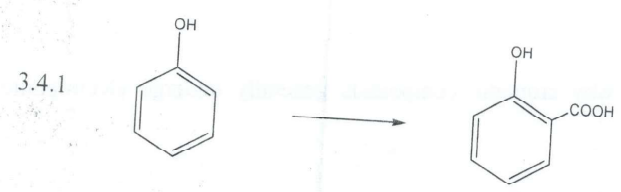
3.3 Draw the structure of the product(s) formed in the following reactions:



[20 marks]

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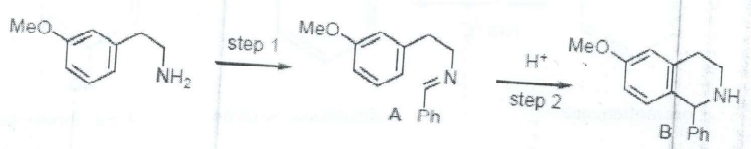
3.4 Indicating reagents, reactions conditions and intermediates, show how you would carry out following conversions.



[30 marks]

04. Answer all parts

4.1 Consider the reaction scheme below:



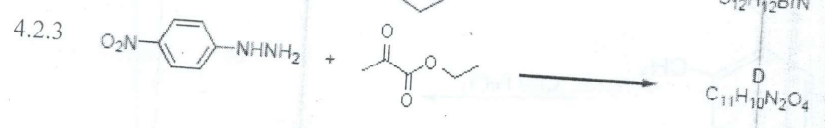
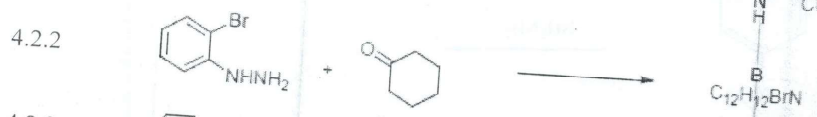
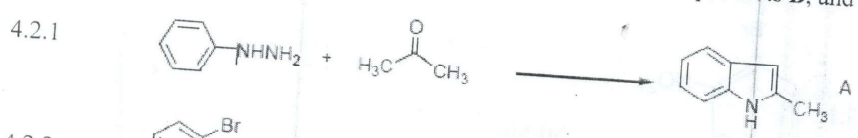
4.1.1 Give the reactant and reagent needed in step 1.

4.1.2 Show the mechanism for step 2.

4.1.3 In step 2 an alternative product to **B** may be formed in theory. Draw this product and explain why it is not formed in practice.

[30 marks]

4.2 In the Fischer indole synthesis acetone and phenylhydrazine (PhNHNH₂) react to give 2-methylindole (**A**). Using this example predict the structures of the products **B**, and **D**.

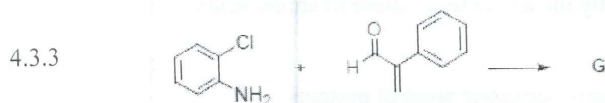
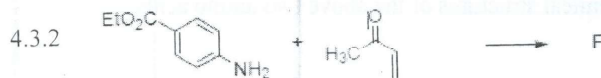
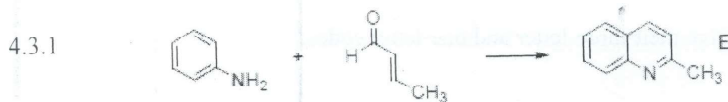


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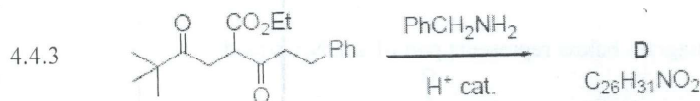
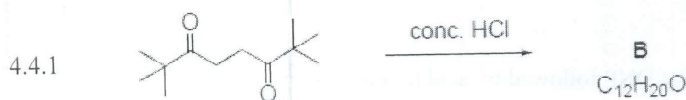
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4.3 Given that in the Doebner-von Miller quinoline synthesis *trans*-but-2-*c*nal and aniline react to give 2-methylquinoline (E), predict the products F and G.



[20 marks]

4.4 Give the structure of the unknown products B, C, and D of the following reactions:



[30 marks]

05. Answer all parts

5.1

5.1.1 Giving structures, explain the threo and erythro forms of sugars.

[04marks]

5.1.2 What is meant by mutarotation pertaining to sugars?

[04marks]

5.1.3 Write down a chemical reaction which can be used to protect the anomeric OH of glucose.

[04marks]

5.1.4 Sorbitol has a high commercial value in food industry as well as in manufacturing of toothpaste. Give a chemical method to prepare sorbitol from glucose.

[04marks]

5.1.5 "Although cellulose belongs to the family of carbohydrates, it is a very hard material present in plants". Explain this statement.

[04marks]

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06. Answer all parts

6.1 Explain the following observations:

- 6.1.1 *p*-Nitrophenol ($pK_a=7.15$) is a stronger acid than *m*-nitrophenol ($pK_a=8.28$).
- 6.1.2 cyclohexadiene ($pK_a= 15$) is more acidic than cyclopentene ($pK_a= 40$).
- 6.1.3 Pyridine ($pK_a=5.2$) is a weaker base than piperidine ($pK_a=11.2$).

[15 marks]

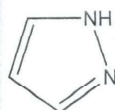
6.2 Complete each of the following acid-base reactions and indicate whether the equilibrium is favored to the right or left.



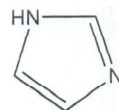
[15 marks]

6.3

6.3.1 Explain why imidazole is a stronger base than pyrazole



pyrazole



imidazole

6.3.2 The two nitrogen atoms of imidazole are quite different. Which nitrogen is protonated in acidic medium?

[20 marks]

6.4 Identify physical and chemical factors affecting the biodegradation of polymers.

[10 marks]

6.5 Identify the primary mechanisms, by which active agents can be released from a polymer drug delivery system.

[10 marks]

6.6 Draw a rough sketch to show in a macroscopic scale the release of the active agent in the polymer matrix.

[10 marks]

6.7 Show the typical variation of (i) melting point(s) and (ii) solubility in water with the chain length of fatty acids in a plot.

[05 marks]

6.8 Show a typical variation of melting points with the number of double bonds present in fatty acids in a typical plot.

[05 marks]

6.9 Briefly discuss the significance of *omega fatty acids* in diets.

[10 marks]