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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE
OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

CHEM 103: GENERAL ORGANIC CHEMISTRY

STREAMS: BSC

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 06/04/2021

8.30 A.M – 10.30 A.M.

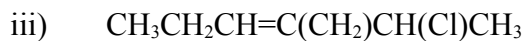
INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any OTHER TWO questions.

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) i) Explain hybridization briefly (2 marks)
ii) Using orbital diagrams discuss the hybridization of methane (4 marks)
- b) Explain why the C-H bond lengths of Ethyne is 1.06 Å, ethene is 1.09 Å and ethane 1.10 Å (2 marks)
- c) Define
- i) Catenation (1 mark)
ii) Functional group (1 mark)
- d) Using an equation give two methods for preparation of alkanes (4 marks)
- e) Draw the structures of the following molecules (5 marks)
- i) 3-methylhexane
ii) 2,3-dimethylheptane
iii) 3-ethyl-2,4-dimethyloctane
iv) 2,3-dimethyloctane

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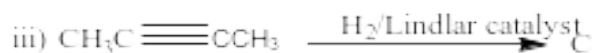
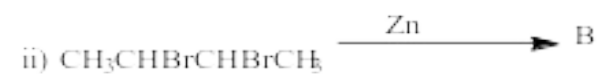
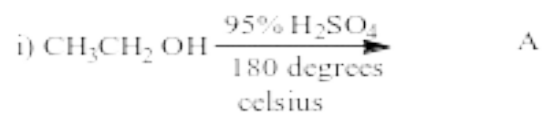
f) Give the IUPAC names of the following structures (5 marks)



g) Complete the following reactions giving the major product(s) A, B, C and D

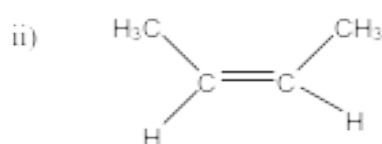
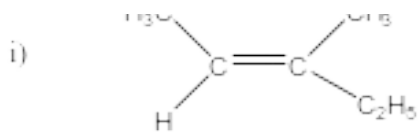
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h) Assign the E/Z nomenclature of the following alkenes

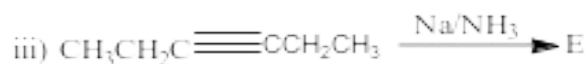
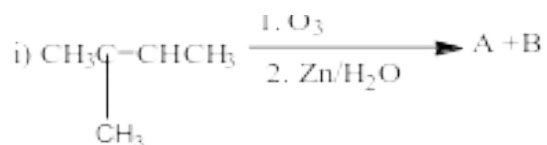
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QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

a) State three physical properties of alkanes (3 marks)

b) Name the major product(s) of the following reactions (5 marks)

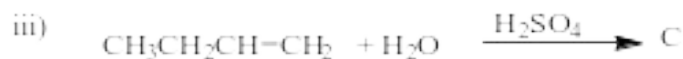
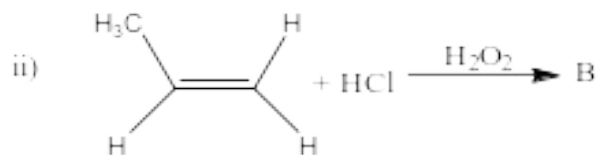
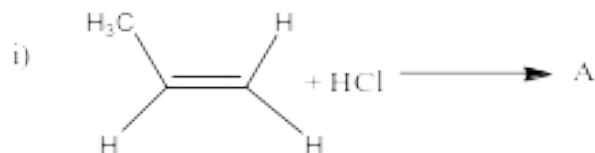


c) i) Define isomers (1 mark)

ii) Write the isomers of with the molecular C_6H_{14} (5 marks)

d) (i) Define Markonikov's rule (1 mark)

ii) Give the products of the following reactions (3 marks)

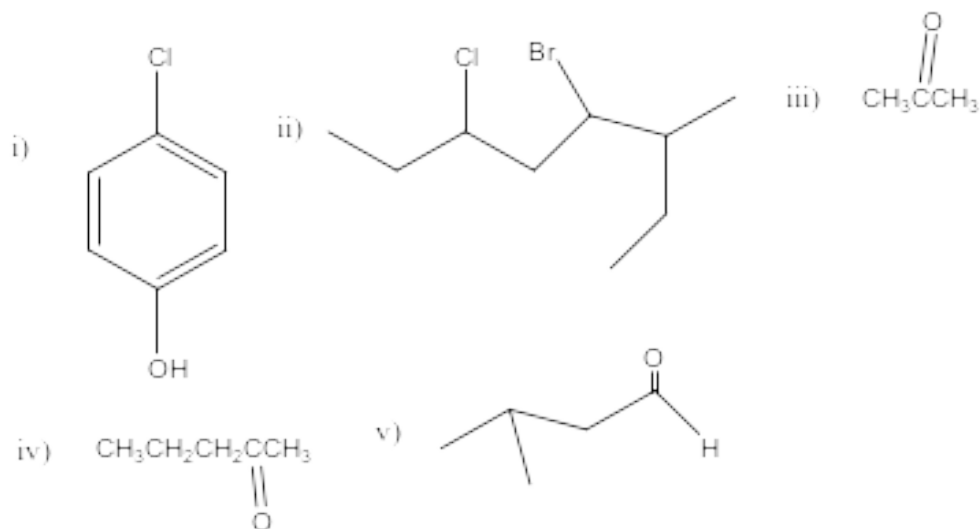


e) Name the following compounds according to IUPAC system of nomenclature (2 marks)



QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

a) Name the following compounds according to IUPAC system of nomenclature (5 marks)



b) Write a method for laboratory differentiation between an aldehyde and a ketone

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marks)

c) Draw the structure for the following compounds

(5 marks)

- i) Methanal
- ii) 2-methylhexanal
- iii) Ethylamine
- iv) 2-methyl-1-propanamine
- v) Diethyl ether

d) Using a suitable equation give two methods of preparation of alkynes (4 marks)

e) Design a stepwise method for synthesis of pent-2-yne starting from ethyne and any

other reagents (4 marks)