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FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION SCIENCE AND BSC CHEMISTRY

COURSE CODE: SCH 230

COURSE TITLE: ORGANIC CHEMISTRY I

DATE: Wednesday 8TH August, 2018.

TIME: 2.00pm - 4:00 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer All Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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Question one

a) Define the following terms, giving relevant examples in each

6 marks

i. Catenation

ii. Electro negativity

iii. Carbocation

iv. Nucleophilicity

b. Write the most stable lewis structure for each of the following compounds

4 marks

i. Hydrogen cyanide HCN

ii. Methylamine CH₃NH₂

iii. Ethanol CH3CH2OH

iv. Carbon dioxide CO2

c. Calculate the formal charge on each of the atoms in the lewis structures given below. 4 marks

i. Hydronium ion, H₃O+

ii. Nitric acid, HNO₃

d. Electron delocalization can be important in ions as well as in neutral molecules. Using curved arrows, show how an equally stable resonance structures can be generated for each of the following anions.

4 marks

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Question two

a. Phytane is a naturally occurring alkane produced by the alga spirogyra and is a constituent of petroleum. The IUPAC name for phytane is, 2,6,10,14-tetramethyl hexadecane. Write a structural formula for phytane.

2 marks

b. Give an acceptable IUPAC names for each of the following.

5 marks

iii

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i. Alkynes have higher boiling point than alkenes containing same number of carbon atoms.

ii. CH_CCH_ is solube while CH_CH_CH_CCH_CCH_CH_ is insolule

d. Draw the structure of each of the following compounds

5 marks

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i. 2-methyl-N-propyl-1-propanamine

ii. Ethyl acetylene

iii. 3-ethylcyclopentene

iv. 4-chloro-2-butanol

v. 2-methoxy butane

Question three

a. What product would be formed from the reaction of the following?

4 marks

i. 3-bromo-2,2 dimethylbutane and hydroxide ion

ii. 3-iodopentane and water

b. Write the reaction mechanism and the major end product of the following reactions 8marks

i.

$$CH_4 + Cl_2 \xrightarrow{\Lambda}$$
 or $h\nu$

$$CH_3CH_3 + Br_2 \xrightarrow{\Delta}$$
 or $h\nu$

$$+ \bigvee_{O}^{O} -Br \xrightarrow{h\nu \text{ or } \Delta}$$

c. State whether the compounds above follows $S_N 1$ or $S_N 2$ reactions

5 marks

Question four

a. State zaitsev's rule

2 marks

b. Giving reasons, state which of the following is the most stable carbocation

2 marks

30 Benzylic, 20 allylic and vinyl

c. Explain why 10 alkyl halides do not undergo E₁reactions

2 marks

d. Draw the major and minor end products of the following reactions

4 marks

e. Propose a mechanism for the following reaction and state whether its an E₁or E₂ reaction

8 marks