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MAY 2024 SEMESTER**

COURSE : YBB2013 - ORGANIC CHEMISTRY II
DATE : 1 AUGUST 2024 (THURSDAY)
TIME : 9:00 AM - 12:00 NOON (3 HOURS)

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

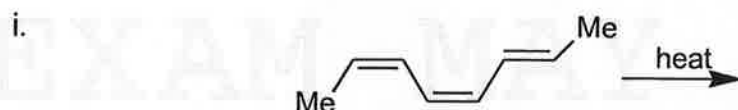
1. Answer **ALL** questions in the Answer Booklet.
2. Begin **EACH** answer on a new page in the Answer Booklet.
3. Indicate clearly answers that are cancelled, if any.
4. Where applicable, show clearly steps taken in arriving at the solutions and indicate **ALL** assumptions, if any.
5. **DO NOT** open this Question Booklet until instructed.

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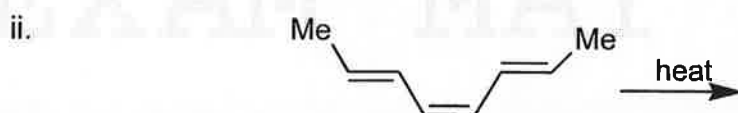
- i. There are **EIGHT (8)** pages in this Question Booklet including the cover page and appendices.
- ii. **DOUBLE-SIDED** Question Booklet.

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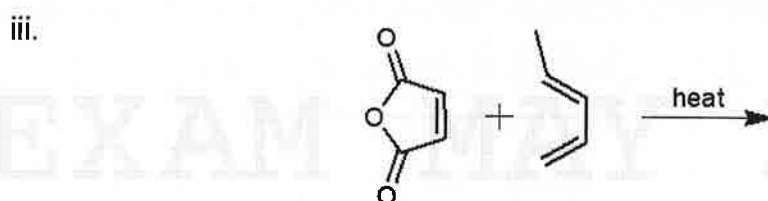
1. a. Illustrate the mechanism using the curved arrows and draw the major product of each pericyclic reaction, clearly indicating the relative stereochemistry.



[3 marks]

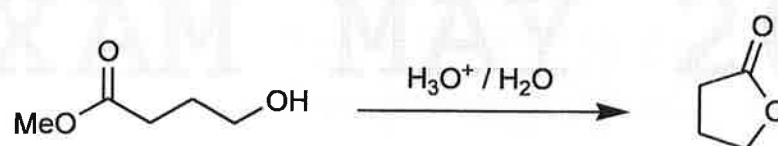


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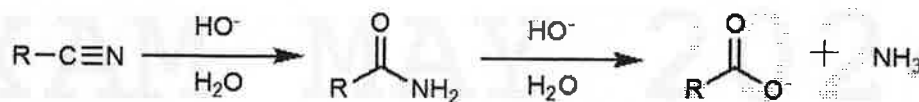
[4 marks]

- b. Illustrate the complete and detailed mechanism with curved arrows for the intramolecular esterification of 4-hydroxybutanoic acid to produce cyclic ester.



[10 marks]

2. a. i. Under basic hydrolysis conditions, a nitrile goes through a primary amide intermediate before becoming a carboxylate. Draw the mechanism with the curved arrows for the reaction below.



[8 marks]

- ii. Explain why it is not a facile method for converting nitriles into carboxylates.

[2 marks]

- b. The following reaction shows the acetoacetic ester synthesis.



- i. Complete the two steps acetoacetic ester synthesis by naming the reagent **A** and drawing the structure of compounds **I** and **II**.

[3 marks]

- ii. Compound **II** can be hydrolyzed in the presence of basic condition and subsequent acidification to produce mono-butylacetoacetic acid. If heat is applied after acidification, decarboxylation takes place to produce 2-heptanone. Draw the detailed mechanism with curved arrows for this transformation.

[7 marks]

3. a. Determine the molecular formula and draw the structure of the unknown compound that has the ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra and following data:
MW (g/mol) = 107; Elemental analysis; C, 78.50; H, 8.41; N, 13.08

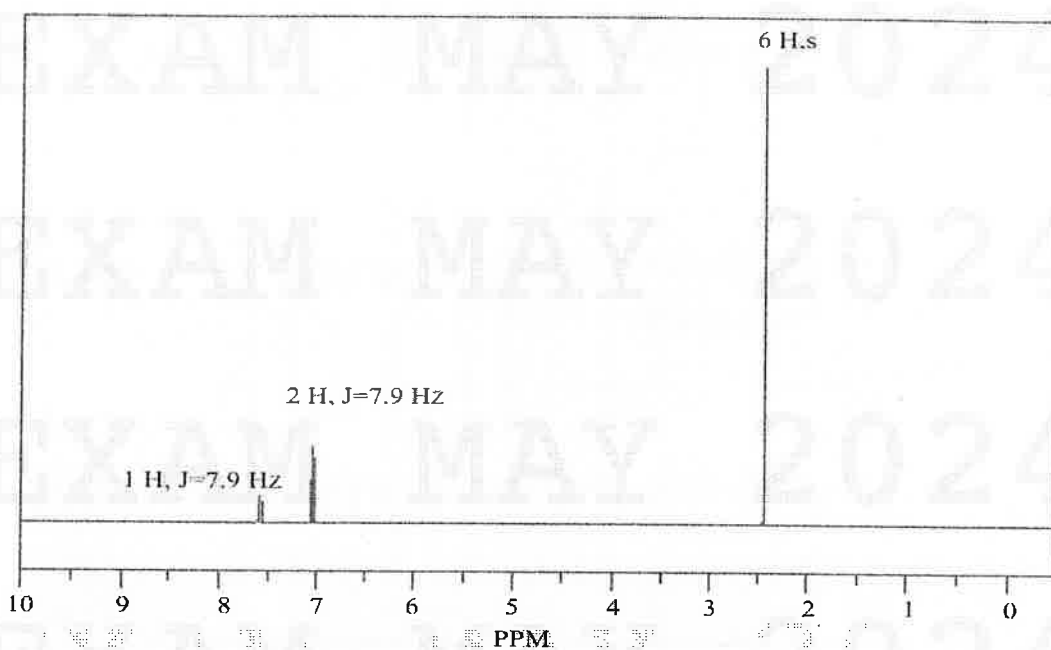


FIGURE Q3a. ^1H NMR spectrum

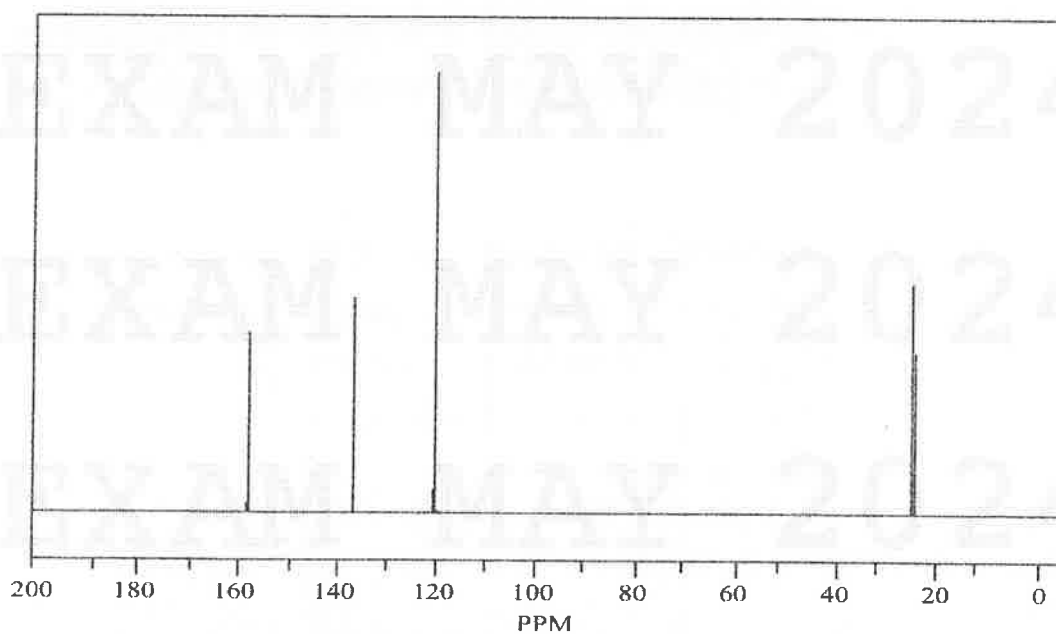


FIGURE Q3a. ^{13}C NMR spectrum

[5 marks]

- b. A peptide with nine amino acids has the following composition: Asn Cys Gln Gly Cys Ile Leu Pro Tyr (not in sequence). It also has Cys as the N-terminal residue and Gly as C-terminal. Partial acid hydrolysis gave these peptide sequence as below. Determine the sequence of the original peptide.

Asn-Cys

Cys-Tyr

Tyr-Ile-Gln

Cys-Pro-Leu

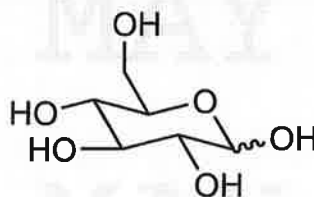
Ile-Gln

Leu-Gly

Gln-Asn-Cys

[5 marks]

- c. Cyclic structure of *D*-glucose is presented below.



- i. Draw the opened Fisher structure of α -*D*-glucose based on monosaccharide nomenclature.

[2 marks]

- ii. Determine whether the structure is classified as an acetal, ketal, hemiacetal, or hemiketal. Justify your answer.

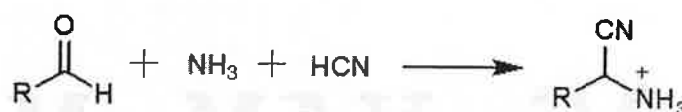
[2 marks]

- iii. Acid-catalyzed addition of methanol to *D*-(+)-glucose results in the formation of anomeric methyl acetals called glucosides. Illustrate the complete mechanism with curved arrows for the formation of α - and β -glucosides and label them correctly.

[6 marks]

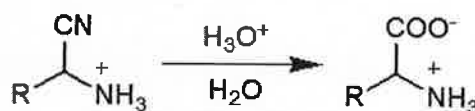
4. a. The Strecker reaction, followed by a hydrolysis reaction, is an excellent method for synthesizing amino acids. This reaction involves the conversion of an aldehyde or ketone into an amino acid through a multi-step process.

- i. Draw the detailed mechanism with curved arrows for the conversion of aldehyde to α -aminonitrile as shown below.



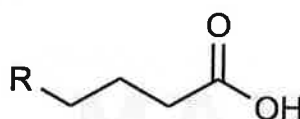
[5 marks]

- ii. Draw the detailed mechanism with curved arrows for the hydrolysis of α -aminonitrile to α -amino acid.



[6 marks]

- b. Predict the structure of products formed when the fatty acid below reacts with the following reagents.



- i. SOCl_2

[3 marks]

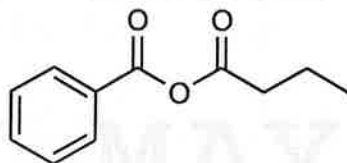
- ii. Br_2

[3 marks]

- iii. Methanol in the presence of H^+

[3 marks]

5. a. The noncyclic acid anhydride as the target molecule (TM) is given below.



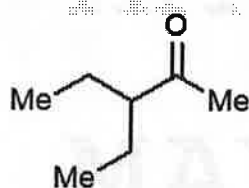
- i. Name the compound and indicate the synthons and corresponding synthetic equivalents

[5 marks]

- ii. Using retrosynthetic analysis, provide a possible general scheme of the synthesis of the compound.

[5 marks]

- b. Design the retrosynthesis analysis and illustrate the complete mechanism with curved arrows to produce the structure below.



[10 marks]

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APPENDIX

MOLECULAR ORBITALS

Orbital	Orbital Diagram	Homo / LUMO
ψ_2^* / π_2^*		LUMO
ψ_1 / π_1		HOMO

Orbital	Orbital Diagram	Homo / LUMO
ψ_4 / π_4^*		-
ψ_3 / π_3^*		LUMO
ψ_2 / π_2		HOMO
ψ_1 / π_1		-

Orbital	Orbital Diagram	Homo / LUMO
ψ_6 / π_6^*		-
ψ_5 / π_5^*		-
ψ_4 / π_4^*		LUMO
ψ_3 / π_3		HOMO
ψ_2 / π_2		-
ψ_1 / π_1		-