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## Preface

The basic principle in writing of this CSIR-NET-GATE book is to create a guiding text for students- a text which represents the material in a way that encourages the students for the logical thinking about what they have learned theoretically in their bachelors/masters.

At present in India, the national level competitive examinations such as CSIR-NET-JRF, UGC-SLET (SET), IIT-JAM, TIFR, IISc, BARC, ONGC and DRDO exams are of great importance to start advance career after basic graduation/ post graduation studies. These above competitive exams test the in-depth and practical knowledge of various basic concepts. Cracking of any above national competitive examination opens several doors of opportunities in the field of industrial/scientific research and may offer excellent job opportunities in the research as well as teaching field. However, the percentage of qualifying students is varied from the 1-10 %. Hence, an attempt has been made by authors to design the book in such a way that students will become more familiar with the type of conceptual questions that are asked in above said competitive exams.

The attempt has been made by us to ensure an error free version, however, if any errors or typos have noticed then we sincerely regret for the same. We would like to hear appreciation, suggestions and comments from fellow teachers and students to improve the book. The suggestions can be send to email: [netgate.badgujar@gmail.com](mailto:netgate.badgujar@gmail.com)

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## Authors Opinion

Welcome, it gives us great pleasure to present/introduce one of the unique book for all of Graduate as well as Post Graduate students from chemical sciences branch those are willing to crack CSIR-UGC-NET-JRF & GATE. This book will also constructive to get ready for prestigious state and national level competitive exams such as UGC-SLET (SET), IIT-JAM, PET, TIFR, IISc, BARC, ONGC and DRDO in Chemistry or Chemical Science related branches.

Most common question asked by students is "how should I prepare for this exam?"

**One of the best and easy method to crack any of these exams is to.....**

- ✓ *Go through the syllabus and pattern of examination*
- ✓ *Prepare according to the syllabus*
- ✓ *Collect the previous question papers*
- ✓ *Solve the topic wise questions, after studying and reading that particular topic*
- ✓ *This will not only improve the confidence levels to face any exam but also in-depth knowledge of respective field/ topic.*

In this book we make an attempt to provide topic wise questions that are asked from last many question papers of CSIR-NET/ SET/ GATE of Chemical Science branch. We try to cover most of the syllabus topics wise in this book. Questions from more than 25 topics are included in these books which are frequently asked in CSIR-NET/ SET/ GATE exams. The previously asked questions are not repeated exactly in the same format. However, previously asked questions are repeated by modifying the questions in a different pattern/ format. One of the most essential thing is that, although modified questions are different, but the concept and logic behind it is nearly same. Hence, if you go through previously solved question papers and prepare a note of frequently asked facts, then it will be very much worthwhile to crack the competitive exams such as CSIR-UGC-NET/JRF etc. Now-a-days comparative exam are applied everywhere to screen the suitable candidate. However, the percentage of qualifying students is varied from 1-10 %. These topic-wise questions bank offer a rich store-house of conceptual questions to check the theory and understanding. In addition to this, the carefully graded challenging questions that are asked in CSIR-NET/ GATE exam bring a special perspective in teaching and learning context. Thus, the present book will be definitely important to students. Furthermore, the book will also be very important for Lecturers/ Professors for Undergraduate and Post Graduate university level teaching to build up a competitive exam aspect in students.

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## About the exam.....

Precisely talking about the CSIR-NET exam, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, (CSIR) and University Grant Commission (UGC) jointly conducted CSIR-UGC-NET exam for (i) Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) and (ii) Eligibility for Lectureship (LS) in various basic sciences. This exam conducted twice in a year, mostly in month of June & December. The notification for the same is announced most probably in the month of March and September respectively on web address: <http://csirhrdg.res.in/> (website for NET exam).

The GATE exam is conducted jointly by the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore and the seven Indian Institutes of Technology (Bombay, Delhi, Guwahati, Kanpur, Kharagpur, Madras and Roorkee) on behalf of the National Coordination Board- GATE, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resources Development (MHRD), and Government of India. The notification for the same is announced most probably in the month of September.

The new pattern implemented from June 2011 onwards for CSIR-UGC-NET-EXAM of Chemical Science branch involves:

- *A single test paper test having multiple choice questions (MCQs)*
- *It carries maximum of 200 marks.*
- *It is divided into three parts (A, B & C).*
- *It is conducted for duration of 3 hours.*

**Part A:** Carries 20 questions. The candidate is required to answer any 15 questions. Each correct answer is awarded with 2 marks. The total marks allocated to this section shall be 30 out of 200. This part will test general aptitude

**Part B:** Contains 50 multiple choice questions generally covering the topics given in the syllabus. A candidate is required to answer any 35 questions and each correct answer is awarded with 2 marks. The total marks allocated to this section shall be 70 out of 200.

**Part C:** Consists of 75 questions. A candidate shall be required to answer any 25 questions, each carrying 4 marks. The maximum marks allocated to this section are 100 out of 200.


**\*Note-** There will be **negative marking @ 25%** for each wrong answer.

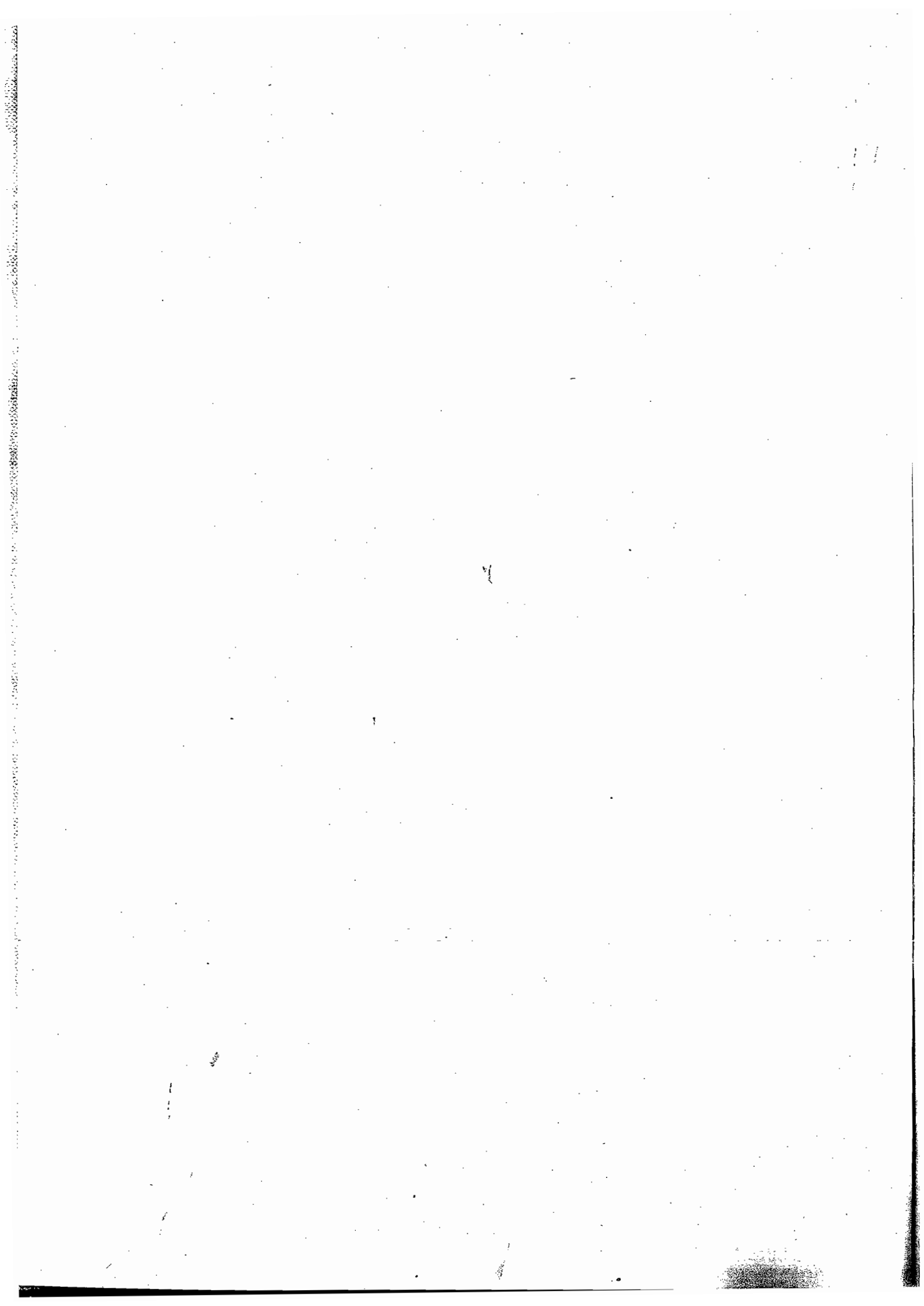
| Part                    | No. of questions | To be attempted | Marks allotted per question | Maximum marks |
|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| A                       | 20               | 15              | 2                           | 30            |
| B                       | 50               | 35              | 2                           | 70            |
| C                       | 75               | 25              | 4                           | 100           |
| <b>Total Marks- 200</b> |                  |                 |                             |               |

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- 11) The average value of the radius  $\langle r \rangle$  in the 1s state of the hydrogen atom is ( $a_0$  is Bohr radius) [June 2012]  
 (a)  $a_0$  (b)  $1.5 a_0$  (c)  $0.75 a_0$  (d)  $0.5 a_0$

- 12) The difference in energy levels of  $n = 2$  and  $n = 1$  of a particle-in-a one dimensional box is 6 units of energy. In the same units, what is the difference in energy levels of  $n = 3$  and  $n = 2$  for the above system? [June 2013]  
 (a) 4 (b) 5 (c) 9 (d) 10

- 13) The wave function  $\Psi$  of a certain system is the linear combination [June 2013]

$$\Psi = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}}\Psi_1 + \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}}\Psi_2$$

where  $\Psi_1$  and  $\Psi_2$  are energy eigen functions with eigen values (non-degenerate)  $E_1$  and  $E_2$ , respectively. What is the probability that the system energy will be observed to be  $E_1$ ?

- (a)  $\sqrt{\frac{3}{16}}$  (b)  $\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}}$  (c)  $\frac{1}{4}$  (d)  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}}$
- 14) Calculate the total number of microstates for 6 identical particles with their occupation numbers {1, 2, 3} in three states is: [June 2013]  
 (a) 6 (b) 12 (c) 60 (d) 720

- 15) The hermitian conjugate of operator  $d/dx$ , called  $(d/dx)^\dagger$ , is actually equal to [June 2013]  
 (a)  $-d/dx$  (b)  $d/dx$  (c)  $i(d/dx)$  (d)  $-i(d/dx)$

- 16) A constant of motion is defined by the equation: [June 2013]  
 (a)  $[H, A] = 0$  (b)  $\langle [H, A] \rangle = 0$  (c)  $A = f(H)$  (d)  $A^\dagger = A$

- 17) The orbital with two radial and two angular nodes is [Dec 2013]  
 (a) 3p (b) 5d (c) 5f (d) 8d

- 18) The energy of 2s and 2p orbitals is the same for [Dec 2013]  
 (a) Li (b)  $\text{Li}^{+2}$  (c)  $\text{Be}_2^+$  (d)  $\text{H}^-$

- 19) The number of configurations in the most probable state, according to Boltzmann formula, is [June 2014]  
 (a)  $e^{S/K_B}$  (b)  $e^{-S/K_B}$  (c)  $e^{-E/K_B T}$  (d)  $-\Delta G/K_B T$

- 20) The commutator of the kinetic energy operator,  $\hat{T}_x$  and the momentum operator,  $\hat{p}_x$  for the one dimensional case is [June 2014]  
 (a)  $i\hbar$  (b)  $i\hbar \frac{d}{dx}$  (c) 0 (d)  $i\hbar x$

- 21) For a particle of mass  $m$  confined in a box of length  $L$ , assume  $\Delta x = L$ . Assume further that  $\Delta p(\text{min}) = \langle p^2 \rangle^{1/2}$ . Use the uncertainty principle to obtain an estimate of the energy of the particle. The value will be [Dec 2014]

(a)  $\hbar^2/(8mL^2)$  (b)  $\hbar^2/(8mL^2)$  (c)  $\hbar^2/(32mL^2)$  (d)  $\hbar^2/(2mL^2)$

- 22) The exact differential  $df$  of a state function  $f(x, y)$ , among the following is [Dec 2014]  
 (a)  $x dy$  (b)  $dx - \frac{x}{y} dy$  (c)  $y dx - x dy$  (d)  $\frac{1}{y} dx - \frac{x}{y^2} dy$

## Topic 1

# ATOMIC STRUCTURE AND QUANTUM CHEMISTRY

### Questions with TWO marks

- 1) The energy levels for cyclobutadiene are  $\alpha+2\beta$ ,  $\alpha$  and  $\alpha-2\beta$ . The delocalization energy in this molecule is [June 2011]  
(a) 0 (b)  $-4\beta$  (c)  $-8\beta$  (d)  $4\alpha$
- 2) An operator A is defined as  $= -\frac{d}{dx} + x$ . Which one of the following statements is true? [June 2011]  
(a) A is a Hermitian operator.  
(b)  $A^\dagger$  is an antihermitian operator.  
(c) Both  $A A^\dagger$  and  $A^\dagger A$  are Hermitian operator.  
(d)  $A A^\dagger$  is Hermitian, but  $A^\dagger A$  is antihermitian operator.
- 3) Identify which of the following operators is not hermitian? [Dec 2011]  
(a)  $\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{d}{dx}$  (b)  $i \frac{d^2}{dx^2}$  (c)  $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$  (d)  $x^2$
- 4) A particle is constrained in one dimensional box of a length  $2a$  with potential  $V(x) = \infty$ ;  $x < -a$ ,  $x > a$  and  $V(x) = 0$ ;  $-a \leq x \leq a$ . Energy difference between levels  $n = 3$  and  $n = 2$  is [Dec 2011]  
(a)  $\frac{5h^2}{8ma^2}$  (b)  $\frac{9h^2}{8ma^2}$  (c)  $\frac{9h^2}{32ma^2}$  (d)  $\frac{5h^2}{32ma^2}$
- 5) When a hydrogen atom is placed in an electric field along the y-axis, the orbital that mixes most with the ground state  $1s$  orbital is [Dec 2011]  
(a)  $2s$  (b)  $2p_x$  (c)  $2p_y$  (d)  $2p_z$
- 6) If A and B are non-commuting hermitian operators, all eigenvalues of the operator given by the commutator  $[A, B]$  are [Dec 2011].  
(a) complex (b) real (c) imaginary (d) zero
- 7) The value of commutator  $[x, p_x^2]$  is given by [Dec 2011]  
(a)  $2i$  (b)  $2i\hbar$  (c)  $2i\hbar x$  (d)  $2i\hbar p_x$
- 8) The correlation coefficient between two arbitrary variables  $x$  and  $y$  is zero, if [Dec 2011]  
(a)  $\langle xy \rangle = \langle yx \rangle$  (b)  $\langle x^2 \rangle = \langle x \rangle^2$   
(c)  $\langle y^2 \rangle = \langle y \rangle^2$  (d)  $\langle xy \rangle = \langle x \rangle \langle y \rangle$
- 9) For any operator A and its adjoint  $A^\dagger$ , the INCORRECT statement is [June 2012]  
(a)  $A A^\dagger$  is a hermitian. (b)  $A A^\dagger + A^\dagger A$  is hermitian  
(c)  $A + A^\dagger$  hermitian (d)  $A - A^\dagger$  is hermitian
- 10) For hydrogen-like atom with a nuclear charge Z, the energy of orbital with principal quantum number 'n' follows the relation. [June 2012]  
(a)  $E_n \propto n^2 Z^2$  (b)  $E_n \propto -\frac{Z^2}{n}$  (c)  $E_n \propto -\frac{Z}{n}$  (d)  $E_n \propto -\frac{Z^2}{n^2}$

**Questions with FOUR marks**

- 23) The probability of finding the particle in a one dimensional box of length 'L' in the region between  $\frac{L}{4}$  and  $\frac{3L}{4}$  for quantum number  $n = 1$  is 0 [June 2012]
- (a)  $\frac{1}{2}$  (b)  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}$  (c)  $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{\pi}$  (d)  $\frac{2}{3}$
- 24) A particle in three dimensional cubic box of a L has energy of  $\frac{14h^2}{8mL^2}$ . The degeneracy of the state is [June 2012]
- (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 6 (d) 9
- 25) Using Huckel molecular orbital approximation, the two roots of secular equation of ethene are [June 2012]
- (a)  $\alpha + \sqrt{2}\beta, \alpha - \sqrt{2}\beta$  (b)  $\alpha + \beta, \alpha$   
 (c)  $\alpha + \beta, \alpha - \beta$  (d)  $\alpha + 2\beta, \alpha - 2\beta$
- 26) For  $H_2$  molecule in the excited state  $\sigma_g^1 \sigma_u^1$  the spin part of the triplet state with  $m_s$  is proportional to [June 2012]
- (a)  $\alpha(1)\beta(2)$  (b)  $[\alpha(1)\beta(2) - \beta(1)\alpha(2)]$  (c)  $\alpha(1)\alpha(2)$  (d)  $[\alpha(1)\beta(2) + \beta(1)\alpha(2)]$
- 27) The energy of a harmonic oscillator in its ground state is  $\frac{1}{2} \hbar\omega$ . According to the virial theorem, the average kinetic (T) and potential (V) energies of the above are [Dec 2012]
- (a)  $T = \frac{1}{4} \hbar\omega; V = \frac{1}{4} \hbar\omega$  (b)  $T = \frac{1}{8} \hbar\omega; V = \frac{3}{8} \hbar\omega$   
 (c)  $T = \hbar\omega; V = -\frac{1}{2} \hbar\omega$  (d)  $T = \frac{3}{8} \hbar\omega; V = \frac{1}{8} \hbar\omega$
- 28) For the particle-in-a-box problem in  $(0,L)$ , the value of  $\langle x^3 \rangle$  in the  $n \rightarrow \infty$  limit would be [June 2013]
- (a)  $L^3/6$  (b)  $L^3/3$  (c)  $L^3/4$  (d)  $L^4/4$
- 29) The energy of a hydrogen atom in a state is  $-\frac{hcR_H}{25}$  ( $R_H = \text{Rydberg constant}$ ) The degeneracy of the state will be [Dec 2012]
- (a) 5 (b) 10 (c) 25 (d) 50
- 30) The energy for a single electron excitation in cyclopropenium cation in Huckel theory is [Dec 2013]
- (a)  $\beta$  (b)  $2\beta$  (c)  $3\beta$  (d)  $4\beta$
- 31) For an electronic configuration of two non-equivalent  $\pi$  electrons  $[\pi^1, \pi^1]$  which of the following terms is not possible? [Dec 2013]
- (a)  $^1\Sigma$  (b)  $^3\Sigma$  (c)  $^3\Delta$  (d)  $^3\Phi$
- 32) The spatial part of the wave function of the atom in its ground state is  $1s(1) 1s(2)$ . The spin part would be [June 2014]
- (a)  $\alpha(1)\beta(2)$  (b)  $\beta(1)\alpha(2)$  (c)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\alpha(1)\beta(2) + \beta(1)\alpha(2)]$  (d)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\alpha(1)\beta(2) - \beta(1)\alpha(2)]$
- 33) Simple Huckel molecular orbital theory [June 2014]
- (a) considers electron-electron repulsion explicitly (b) distinguishes cis-butadiene and trans-butadiene  
 (c) distinguishes cis-butadiene and cyclobutadiene (d) has different coulomb integrals for non-equivalent carbons.

- 34) Consider a particle confined in a cubic box. The degeneracy of the level, that has an energy twice that of the lowest level, is [June 2014]  
 (a) 3 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 4
- 35) If  $\psi = 0.8 \varphi_A + 0.4 \varphi_B$  is a normalized molecular orbital of a diatomic molecule AB, constructed from  $\varphi_A$  and  $\varphi_B$  which are also normalized, the overlap between  $\varphi_A$  and  $\varphi_B$  is [June 2014]  
 (a) 0.11 (b) 0.31 (c) 0.51 (d) 0.71
- 36) A particle in a 1-dimensional box of length L is perturbed by a delta function potential,  $\delta(x-L/2)$ , in the middle of the box. The first order energy correction to the ground state will be [Dec 2014]  
 (a) 0 (b) 1 (c)  $L/2$  (d)  $2/L$   
 [Hint:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)\delta(x-a)dx = f(a)$ ]
- 37) According to the Huckel theory, the  $\pi$  electron charge on central carbon atom in propenyl cation is  $(\text{CH}_2\text{CHCH}_2)^+$  is (in unit of electronic charge) [Dec 2014]  
 (a)  $1/2$  (b)  $1/\sqrt{2}$  (c) 1 (d) 2
- 38) The number of microstates that are possible, when two particle are distributed in four states such that resulting wave functions are anti-symmetric with respect to exchange of the particle, is - [Dec 2014]  
 (a) 16 (b) 12 (c) 8 (d) 6

(Questions from GATE EXAM)Questions with ONE OR TWO marks

- 39) The set of eigenfunction  $\sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{a}$  ( $0 \leq x \leq a, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ ) [GATE 2005]  
 (a) orthogonal (b) normalized  
 (c) both orthogonal and normalized (d) unnormalized
- 40) The function  $e^{\alpha x^2}$  ( $\alpha > 0$ ) is not an acceptable wave function for bound system, because [GATE 2005]  
 (a) it is not continuous (b) it is multivalued  
 (c) it is not normalized (d) all of these
- 1) The 2s orbital of H-atom has a radial node at  $2a$  because  $\Psi_{2s}$  is proportional to [GATE 2005]  
 (a)  $(1/2 + r/a_0)$  (b)  $(2 + r/a_0)$  (c)  $(2 - r/a_0)$  (d)  $(2 - r/2a_0)$
- 2) In the Huckel model for benzene, the  $\pi$  electronic transitions from the occupied to the unoccupied molecular orbitals do not occur at [GATE 2006]  
 (a)  $4\beta$  (b)  $3\beta$  (c)  $2\beta$  (d)  $1\beta$
- 3) Which of the following pairs of operators commute? [GATE 2006]  
 (a)  $x$  and  $\frac{d}{dx}$  (b)  $\frac{d}{dx}$  and  $\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + 2\frac{d}{dx}$   
 (c)  $x^2\frac{d}{dx}$  and  $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$  (d)  $x^3$  and  $\frac{d}{dx}$



**Linked Answer Questions (44 and 45) [GATE 2007]**

44) Consider a particle of mass  $m$  moving in a one-dimensional box under the potential  $V=0$  for  $0 \leq x \leq a$  and  $V = \infty$  outside the box. When the particle is in its lowest energy state the average momentum ( $\langle p_x \rangle$ ) of the particle is

- (a)  $\langle p_x \rangle = 0$                       (b)  $\langle p_x \rangle = \frac{h}{a}$                       (c)  $\langle p_x \rangle = \frac{h}{2a}$                       (d)  $\langle p_x \rangle = \frac{h}{2\pi a}$

45) The uncertainty in the momentum ( $\Delta p_x$ ) of the particle in its lowest energy state is

- (a)  $\Delta p_x = 0$                       (b)  $\Delta p_x = \frac{h}{a}$                       (c)  $\Delta p_x = \frac{h}{2a}$                       (d)  $\Delta p_x = \frac{h}{2\pi a}$

46) A particle is confined to a one-dimensional box of length 1 mm. If the length is changed by  $10^{-12}$  m the % change in the ground state energy is [GATE 2008]

- (a)  $2 \times 10^{-4}$                       (b)  $2 \times 10^{-7}$                       (c)  $2 \times 10^{-2}$                       (d) 0

47) The operation of the commutator  $[x, d/dx]$  on a function  $f(x)$  is equal to [GATE 2008]

- (a) 0                      (b)  $f(x)$                       (c)  $-f(x)$                       (d)  $x \, df/dx$

**Common Data Questions [GATE 2008]**

**Common Data for Questions 48, 49 and 50:**

An electron accelerated through a potential difference of  $\phi$  volts impinges on a nickel surface, whose (100) planes have a spacing  $d = 351.8 \times 10^{-12}$  m (351.8 pm).

48) The de-Broglie wavelength of the electron is The value of  $\lambda / \text{pm} = (a / \phi)^{1/2}$  in volts is

- (a)  $1.5 \times 10^{-18}$                       (b)  $1.5 \times 10^6$                       (c)  $6.63 \times 10^{-5}$                       (d)  $2.5 \times 10^{18}$

49) The condition for observing diffraction from the nickel surface is

- (a)  $\lambda \gg 2d$                       (b)  $\lambda \leq 2d$                       (c)  $\lambda \leq ad$                       (d)  $\lambda \geq ad$

50) The minimum value of  $\phi$  (V) for the electron to diffract from the (100) planes is

- (a) 3000                      (b) 300                      (c) 30                      (d) 3

51) The degeneracy of a quantum particle in a cubic box having energy four times that of the lowest energy is [GATE 2009]

- (a) 3                      (b) 6                      (c) 1                      (d) 4

52) The de Broglie wavelength for a He atom travelling at  $1000 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  (typical speed at room temperature) is [GATE 2009]

- (a)  $99.7 \times 10^{-12}$  m                      (b)  $199.4 \times 10^{-12}$  m                      (c)  $199.4 \times 10^{-18}$  m                      (d)  $99 \times 10^{-6}$  m

53) An electron of mass ' $m$ ' confined to a one dimensional box of length ' $b$ '. If it makes a radiative Transition from second excited state to the ground state, the frequency of the photon emitted is [GATE 2010]

- (a)  $\frac{9h}{8mb^2}$                       (b)  $\frac{3h}{8mb^2}$                       (c)  $\frac{h}{mb^2}$                       (d)  $\frac{2h}{mb^2}$

54) For eigenfunction  $\Psi = \sqrt{\frac{1}{b}} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{b}\right)$  and  $\Psi = \sqrt{\frac{2}{b}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{b}\right)$  of a particle in a 1-D box of length  $b$  ( $0 \leq x \leq b$ ) [GATE 2010]

- (a)  $\Psi_1$  is normalized and orthogonal to  $\Psi_2$                       (b)  $\Psi_1$  is normalized but orthogonal to  $\Psi_2$   
 (c)  $\Psi_2$  is normalized and orthogonal to  $\Psi_1$                       (d)  $\Psi_2$  is neither normalized nor orthogonal to  $\Psi_1$

55) The wave function for a quantum mechanical particle in a 1-dimensional box of length 'a' is given

by  $\Psi = A \sin \frac{\pi x}{a}$ . The value of 'A' for a box of length 200 nm is [GATE 2011]

- (a)  $4 \times 10^4 \text{ (nm)}^2$  (b)  $10\sqrt{2} \text{ (nm)}^{1/2}$  (c)  $\sqrt{2} / 10 \text{ (nm)}^{-1/2}$  (d)  $0.1 \text{ (nm)}^{-1/2}$

56) If  $\Delta y$  and  $\Delta p_y$  are the uncertainties in the y-coordinate and the y component of the momentum of a particle respectively, then, according to uncertainty principle  $\Delta y \Delta p_y$  is ( $\hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi}$  and  $h$  is Planck's constant) [GATE 2012]

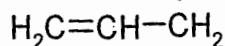
- (a)  $\geq \hbar$  (b)  $> \hbar/2$  (c)  $> \hbar$  (d)  $\geq \hbar/2$

57) Let  $\phi_x^C$  and  $\phi_z^C$  denote the wavefunctions of the  $2p_x$  and  $2p_z$  orbitals of carbon, respectively, and  $\phi_x^O$  and  $\phi_z^O$  represent the wavefunctions of the  $2p_x$  and  $2p_z$  orbitals of oxygen, respectively. If  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are constants used in linear combinations and the CO molecule is oriented along the z axis, then, according to molecular orbital theory, the  $\pi$ -bonding molecular orbital has a wavefunction given by [GATE 2012]

- (a)  $c_1 \phi_z^C + c_2 \phi_x^O$  (b)  $c_1 \phi_z^C + c_2 \phi_z^O$  (c)  $c_1 \phi_x^C + c_2 \phi_z^O$  (d)  $c_1 \phi_x^C + c_2 \phi_x^O$

Statement for Linked Answer Questions 58 and 59: [GATE 2012]

Hückel molecular orbital theory can be applied to the allene radical [GATE 2012]



58) The secular determinant (where  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $E$  have their usual meanings) is given by

- (a)  $\begin{vmatrix} \alpha - E & \beta & 0 \\ \beta & \alpha - E & \beta \\ 0 & \beta & \alpha - E \end{vmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{vmatrix} \alpha - E & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha - E & \beta \\ 0 & \beta & \alpha - E \end{vmatrix}$
- (c)  $\begin{vmatrix} \alpha - E & \beta & 0 \\ \beta & \alpha - E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha - E \end{vmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{vmatrix} \alpha - E & -\beta & 0 \\ -\beta & \alpha - E & -\beta \\ 0 & -\beta & \alpha - E \end{vmatrix}$

59) The possible values of  $E$  are

- (a)  $\alpha + \sqrt{2}\beta, \alpha, \alpha - \sqrt{2}\beta$  (b)  $\alpha + 2\sqrt{2}\beta, \alpha, \alpha - 2\sqrt{2}\beta$   
 (c)  $\alpha + \beta, \alpha, \alpha - \beta$  (d)  $\alpha + 2\beta, \alpha, \alpha - 2\beta$

60)  $e^{-2x^2}$  is an eigen function of the operator  $(\frac{d^2}{dx^2} - 16x^2)$ . The corresponding eigen value is [GATE 2013]

- (a) +4 (b) -4 (c) +2 (d) -2

61) The value of the magnetic quantum number of a  $p_x$  orbital is [GATE 2014]

- (a) -1 (b) 0 (c) +1 (d) undefined

62)  $\Psi = N r(6 - Zr)e^{-Zr/3} \cos\theta$ , is a proposed hydrogenic wavefunction, where  $Z$  = Atomic number,  $r$  = radial distance from the nucleus,  $\theta$  = azimuthal angle,  $N$  is a constant. The INCORRECT statement about  $\Psi$  is [GATE 2014]

- (a)  $\Psi = 0$  in the xy-plane  
 (b) two radial nodes are present in  $\Psi$   
 (c) one angular node is present in  $\Psi$   
 (d) the size of the orbital decreases with increase in atomic number

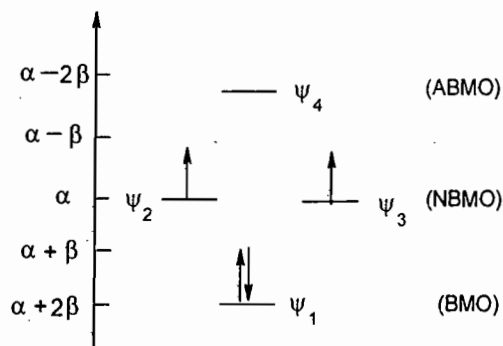
Answer Key

Topic 1:- Atomic structure and Quantum chemistry

|    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |
|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|
| 1  | a | 2  | c | 3  | b | 4  | d | 5  | c | 6  | c | 7  | d | 8  | d | 9  | d | 10 | d |
| 11 | b | 12 | d | 13 | c | 14 | c | 15 | c | 16 | a | 17 | b | 18 | b | 19 | a | 20 | c |
| 21 | a | 22 | d | 23 | b | 24 | c | 25 | c | 26 | d | 27 | a | 28 | c | 29 | c | 30 | c |
| 31 | d | 32 | d | 33 | c | 34 | a | 35 | b | 36 | d | 37 | c | 38 | d | 39 | c | 40 | d |
| 41 | c | 42 | d | 43 | b | 44 | a | 45 | b | 46 | a | 47 | c | 48 | a | 49 | b | 50 | d |
| 51 | c | 52 | a | 53 | c | 54 | c | 55 | d | 56 | d | 57 | d | 58 | a | 59 | a | 60 | b |
| 61 | d | 62 | b |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |

Hint & solutions

1) Ans (a):- HMO diagram for cyclobutadiene:-



HMO diagram for cyclobutadiene

4  $\pi$  electron occupying the Mo's, as shown above. Hence, total  $\pi$  electron energy

$$E_{\pi} = 2(\alpha + 2\beta) + 2\alpha$$

$$= 4\alpha + 4\beta$$

Hence  $DE = 4\alpha + 4\beta - 4(\alpha + \beta)$

$$= 4\alpha + 4\beta - 4\alpha - 4\beta$$

$$= 0$$

2) Ans (c):- Let

$$A = -\frac{d}{dx} + x \quad \& \quad A^{\dagger} = i\left(-\frac{d}{dx} + x\right)$$

$$AA^{\dagger} = \left(-\frac{d}{dx} + x\right)\left[i\left(-\frac{d}{dx} + x\right)\right]$$

$$= \left(-\frac{d}{dx} + x\right)\left(-i\frac{d}{dx} + ix\right)$$

$$= i\frac{d^2}{dx^2} - ix\frac{d}{dx} - ix\frac{d}{dx} + ix^2$$

$$= i \left( \frac{d}{dx} - x \right)^2 \text{-----} (1)$$

$$A^\dagger A = \left[ i \left( -\frac{d}{dx} + x \right) \right] \left( -\frac{d}{dx} + x \right)$$

$$= \left( -\frac{id}{dx} + ix \right) \left( -\frac{d}{dx} + x \right)$$

$$= i \frac{d^2}{dx^2} - ix \frac{d}{dx} - ix \frac{d}{dx} + ix^2$$

$$= i \left( \frac{d}{dx} + x \right)^2 \text{-----} (2)$$

From equation (1) and (2), we get

$$AA^\dagger = A^\dagger A$$

Hence, both  $AA^\dagger = A^\dagger A$  are Hermitian operator.

3) Ans (b):- Condition for Hermiton operator is

$$A \cdot A^\dagger = A^\dagger \cdot A \text{-----} (1)$$

But, for  $A = i \frac{d^2}{dx^2}$ , equation (1) is not satisfied, Hence  $i \frac{d^2}{dx^2}$  is not a hermitian operator.

4) Ans (d):-  $E_n = \frac{n^2 h^2}{8ma^2}$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3 \dots \dots$

Energy difference between  $n = 3$  and  $n = 2$  is

$$\Delta E = \frac{h^2}{8ma^2} [(3)^2 - (2)^2]$$

$$\Delta E = \frac{5h^2}{8ma^2}$$

Here  $a = 2a$ , So

$$\Delta E = \frac{5h^2}{8m(2a)^2} = \frac{5h^2}{8m(4a^2)}$$

$$\left[ \Delta E = \frac{5h^2}{32ma^2} \right]$$

5) Ans (c):- When a hydrogen atom is placed in an electric field along the  $y$  - axis, the orbital that mixes most with the ground state  $1s$  orbital is  $2p_y$  as magnetic field will be oriented along  $y$  - axis.

6) Ans (c):- If  $A$  and  $B$  are non-commuting hermitian operator, all the eigen values are purely imaginary.

7) Ans (d):- Value of commutator

$$[x, P_x^n] = n i \hbar P_x^{n-1} \text{-----} (1)$$

In this case  $n = 2$

By putting value of  $n = 2$  is equation (1)

$$[x, P_x^2] = (2) i \hbar P_x^{2-1}$$

$$= (2) i \hbar P_x$$

$$= 2 i \hbar P_x$$

Ans (d):- Correlation coefficient between two arbitrary variables  $x$  and  $y$  is zero,

$$\text{if } \langle XY \rangle = \langle X \rangle \langle Y \rangle$$

Ans (d):- Let  $A =$  operator and  $A^\dagger =$  Adjoint of  $A$  then

$$AA^\dagger = A^\dagger A \text{-----} (1)$$

This equation (1) is the condition for hermitian operator. This condition is not valid for  $A - A^\dagger$  is not an hermitian.

10) Ans (d):- For hydrogen atom, Energy will be  $E_n = -13.6 \frac{z^2}{n^2}$

$$E_n = -R_H \frac{z^2}{n^2}$$

$$\therefore E_n \propto \frac{-z^2}{n^2}$$

11) Ans (b):- In quantum mechanics, Average value of the radius  $\langle r \rangle$  is

$$\langle r \rangle = \int \Psi_n \cdot r \cdot \Psi_n d\tau$$

$$\langle r \rangle = \int \Psi_{1s} \cdot r \cdot \Psi_{1s} d\tau$$

Since,  $d\tau = r^2 dr \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$

Hence Integrating between appropriate limit

$$\langle r \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi a_0^3} \int_0^\infty r^3 e^{-2r/a_0} dr \int_0^\pi \sin\theta d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi a_0^3} \left[ \frac{3!}{\left(\frac{2}{a_0}\right)^4} (2)(2\pi) \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} a_0 = 1.5 a_0$$

12) Ans (d):-  $E_n = \frac{n^2 h^2}{8ma^2}$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3 \dots$

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$$\left[ \Delta E = \frac{5h^2}{32ma^2} \right]$$

The difference in energy level of  $n = 2$  and  $n = 1$  of particle in box is 6 units

$$\text{i.e. } \Delta E = E_2 - E_1 = 6$$

$$\text{As } \Delta E = E_2 - E_1 = [(2)^2 - (1)^2] \frac{h^2}{8ma^2} = 6$$

$$= [4 - 1] \frac{h^2}{8ma^2} = 6$$

$$\therefore \frac{3h^2}{8ma^2} = 6$$

$$= \left[ \frac{h^2}{8ma^2} = 2 \right] \text{units}$$

Now,  $n = 3 \rightarrow n = 2$

$$\Delta E = [(3)^2 - (2)^2] \frac{h^2}{8ma^2}$$

$$= [9 - 4] \frac{h^2}{8ma^2}$$

$$= \frac{5h^2}{8ma^2}$$

$$= 5 \times (2) \quad \therefore \frac{h^2}{8ma^2}$$

$$\Delta E = 10 \text{ units}$$

13) Ans (c):- In LCAO-MO system.

$$\Psi_{\text{mo}} = C_A \phi_A + C_B \phi_B$$

Probability of finding the electron in  $\phi_A$  and  $\phi_B$  atomic orbitals.

$$[C_A]^2 \text{ and } [C_B]^2$$

$$\text{Similarly; } \Psi = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} \Psi_1 + \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} \Psi_2$$

$$\Psi = C_A \Psi_1 + C_B \Psi_2$$

$$\text{Probability } [C_A]^2 = \left( \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} \right)^2 \text{ for } E_1$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}$$

14) Ans (c):- Microstate =  $\frac{N!}{n_x! n_y! n_z!}$

N = Total number of particles = 6

$n_x, n_y, n_z$  = number of state particle or  $[n_x, n_y, n_z] = [1, 2, 3]$

$$\therefore \text{Microstate} = \frac{N!}{n_x! n_y! n_z!}$$

$$= \frac{6!}{1! 2! 3!}$$

$$= \frac{6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3!}{1! \times 2 \times 1 \times 3!}$$

$$\text{Microstate} = 60$$

15) Ans (c):- Operator  $A = \frac{d}{dx}$

It's conjugate operator  $A^\dagger = i \frac{d}{dx}$

Since  $AA^\dagger = A^\dagger A$  \_\_\_\_\_ (1) which is the condition for Hermitian operator

$$1^{\text{st}} \quad AA^\dagger = \left( \frac{d}{dx} \right) \left( i \frac{d}{dx} \right)$$

$$= i \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \text{ _____ (i)}$$

$$2^{\text{nd}} \quad A^\dagger A = \left( i \frac{d}{dx} \right) \left( \frac{d}{dx} \right) = i \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \text{ _____ (ii)}$$

From equation (i) and (ii), we get

$$AA^\dagger = A^\dagger A$$

Hence  $A^\dagger = i \frac{d}{dx}$  will be conjugate operator of A.

16) Ans (a):- A constant of motion is quantity that is conserved throughout the motion, A quantity is conserved, if  $[H, A] = 0$

17) Ans (b):- Orbital with two radial and two angular nodes is 5d.

$$\text{Radial Nodes} = (n - l - 1)$$

$$\text{For 5d; } (n = 5 \text{ \& } l = 2)$$

$$\text{So, Radial Nodes} = 2$$

$$\text{And, Angular Node} = l = 2$$

18) Ans (b):-  $\text{Li}^{+2}$  ion has one electron in 1s orbital (i.e. hydrogen like atom). In case of H like atom, energy of orbital depends upon the principal quantum number 'n'

$$\text{i.e. } E_n \propto -\frac{Z^2}{n^2}$$

Hence, for 2s and 2p orbital, energy will be the same.

19) Ans (a):- Boltzmann's equation is a probability equation relating the entropy S of an ideal gas to the quantity W, which is the number of microstate corresponding to a given macrostate.

$$S = K_B \ln W \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Here, } \ln W = \frac{S}{K_B}$$

$$\therefore W = e^{S/K_B}$$

20) Ans (c):- Commutator  $\Rightarrow [\hat{A}, \hat{B}] = \hat{A}\hat{B} - \hat{B}\hat{A} = 0 \quad (1)$

$$\text{e.g. } [\hat{T}_x, \hat{P}_x], \quad \hat{A} = \hat{T}_x = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2}$$

$$\hat{B} = \hat{P}_x = -i\hbar \frac{d}{dx}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{A}\hat{B} &= \hat{T}_x \hat{P}_x = \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2}\right) \left(-i\hbar \frac{d}{dx}\right) \\ &= i \frac{\hbar^3}{2m} \frac{d^3}{dx^3} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$\hat{B}\hat{A} = \hat{P}_x \hat{T}_x = \left(-i\hbar \frac{d}{dx}\right) \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2}\right)$$

$$\hat{B}\hat{A} = i \frac{\hbar^3}{2m} \frac{d^3}{dx^3} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{equation (1)} \Rightarrow \hat{A}\hat{B} - \hat{B}\hat{A}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \hat{T}_x \hat{P}_x - \hat{P}_x \hat{T}_x \\ &= \frac{i\hbar^3}{2m} \frac{d^3}{dx^3} - \frac{i\hbar^3}{2m} \frac{d^3}{dx^3} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence, } [\hat{T}_x, \hat{P}_x] = 0$$

21) Ans (a):- Given:  $\Delta P \text{ (min)} = \langle p^2 \rangle^{1/2}$

Also, we know that

$$\langle p^2 \rangle = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{L^2} \text{ as } \hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Energy of particle} &= \frac{[\Delta P]^2}{2m} = \frac{[\langle p^2 \rangle^{1/2}]^2}{2m} \\ &= \frac{\langle p^2 \rangle}{2m} \end{aligned}$$

By putting value of  $\langle p^2 \rangle$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{L^2} \times \frac{1}{2m} \\ &= \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{2mL^2} \times \hbar^2 \\ &= \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{2mL^2} \times \left(\frac{h}{2\pi}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{n^2 \pi^2 h^2}{2mL^2 (4\pi^2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{n^2 \pi^2 h^2}{8mL^2 \pi^2}$$

$$= \frac{n^2 h^2}{8mL^2}$$

22) Ans (d):  $f(x, y) = Mdx + Ndy$  \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

for exact differential equation

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$
 \_\_\_\_\_ (2)

Here, Given :  $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{y} dx - \frac{x}{y^2} dy$  \_\_\_\_\_ (3)

Will satisfy the eq<sup>n</sup> (2), as

By comparing eq<sup>n</sup> (1) and (3), we get

$$M = \frac{1}{y} \& N = -\frac{x}{y^2}$$

Differentiate M with respect to y.

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{1}{y} \right) = -\frac{1}{y^2}$$
 \_\_\_\_\_ (4)

Differentiate N with respect to x.

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( -\frac{x}{y^2} \right) = -\frac{1}{y^2} \frac{\partial x}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = -\frac{1}{y^2}$$
 \_\_\_\_\_ (5)

From eq<sup>n</sup> (4) and (5), we have

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

23) Ans (b):-Probability of finding particle in 1D Box of length L.

$$\Psi_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \left( \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right)$$

for 1D,  $0 < x < L$

$$n = 1 \Psi_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \left( \frac{\pi x}{L} \right)$$

Probability for normalized wave function

$$= \int \Psi^* \Psi d\tau$$

$$= \int_{\frac{L}{4}}^{\frac{3L}{4}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \left( \frac{\pi x}{L} \right) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \left( \frac{\pi x}{L} \right) dx$$

$$= \left( \frac{2}{L} \right) \int_{\frac{L}{4}}^{\frac{3L}{4}} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\pi x}{L} \right) dx$$

By solving this, we get

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}$$

24) Ans (c):-Degeneracy  $= (nx^2 + ny^2 + nz^2) \frac{h^2}{8ma^2} = 14$

So,  $(nx^2 + ny^2 + nz^2) = 14$  \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

$$n_x + n_y + n_z$$

$$1 \quad 2 \quad 3$$

$$1 \quad 3 \quad 2$$

$$2 \quad 1 \quad 3$$



$$\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Equation (1)} &\Rightarrow (1)^2 + (2)^2 + (3)^2 \\ &\Rightarrow 1 + 4 + 9 \\ &\Rightarrow 14 \end{aligned}$$

All the above combination will satisfy Equation (1), hence, total degeneracy = 6

25) Ans (c):-Huckel secular equation for ethene is

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & 1 \\ 1 & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{where } x = \frac{\alpha - E}{\beta}$$

$$\therefore x^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore x^2 = 1$$

$$\therefore x = \pm 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{\alpha - E}{\beta} = +1$$

$$\therefore \alpha - E = \beta$$

$$\therefore E = \alpha - \beta$$

$$\therefore \frac{\alpha - E}{\beta} = -1$$

$$\therefore \alpha - E = -\beta$$

$$\therefore E = \alpha + \beta$$

$\therefore$  Two roots are  $\alpha + \beta$  and  $\alpha - \beta$

26) Ans (d):- For  $H_2$  molecule in the excited state  $\sigma_g^1 \sigma_s^1$  spin part of the triplet state with  $m_s = 0$  is proportional to  $[\alpha(1)\beta(2) + \beta(1)\alpha(2)]$

as, for  $m_s = 0$ , triplet state will be  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\alpha(1)\beta(2) + \beta(1)\alpha(2)]$

27) Ans (a):- According to virial theorem for SHO

$$E = \text{K.E.} + \text{P.E.}$$

As, we know that, for SHO

$$\therefore \text{K.E.} = \text{P.E.} \quad (1)$$

$$\therefore E = \text{K.E.} + \text{K.E.}$$

$$E = 2\text{KE}$$

$$\text{Given } E = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega = 2 \times \text{K.E.}$$

$$\therefore \text{K.E.} = \frac{1}{4} \hbar \omega$$

$$\text{From equation (1), P.E.} = \frac{1}{4} \hbar \omega$$

28) Ans (c):- value of  $\langle x^3 \rangle = \int_0^L \Psi \langle x^3 \rangle \Psi^* dt$

$$\Psi = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x^3 \rangle &= \int_0^L \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \cdot x^3 \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{L}\right) \int_0^L x^3 \cdot \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{L}\right) \int_0^L x^3 \left[ \frac{1 - \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{L}\right)}{2} \right] dx \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{L}\right) \int_0^L \frac{x^3}{2} dx - \left(\frac{2}{L}\right) \int_0^L x^3 \cdot \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \end{aligned}$$

As,  $\int_0^L x^3 \cdot \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = 0$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{L}\right) \int_0^L \frac{x^3}{2} dx - 0$$

$$\langle x^3 \rangle = \left(\frac{2}{L}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left[\frac{x^4}{4}\right]_0^L$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{L}\right) \left[\frac{L^4}{4} - 0\right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{L}\right) \left(\frac{L^4}{4}\right)$$

$$\langle x^3 \rangle = \frac{L^3}{4}$$

29) Ans (c):-For hydrogen atom, energy is given by

$$E_n = -R_H \frac{z^2}{n^2}, \text{ where } n = 1, 2, 3 \dots \dots \dots$$

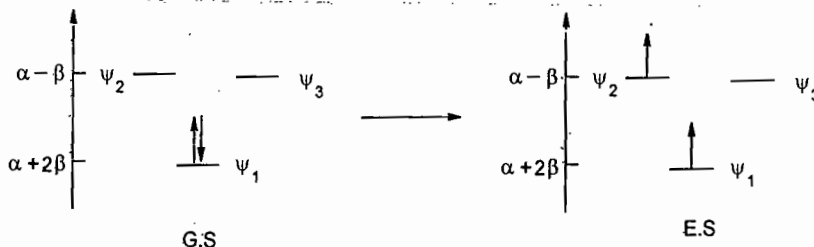
Degeneracy =  $n^2$

Given  $E = -\frac{hcR_H}{25} = -\frac{hcR_H}{n^2}$

$\therefore$  Degeneracy =  $n^2 = 25$

$\therefore$  Degeneracy of state will be 25.

30) Ans (c):- Cyclopropenium cation ;



HMO diagram for cyclopropenium cation.

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\pi(G.S.)} &= 2(\alpha + 2\beta) \\ &= 2\alpha + 4\beta \end{aligned}$$

Now, by single electron excitation in cyclopropenium cation in Huckel theory,

$$E_{\pi} = (\alpha + 2\beta) + (\alpha - \beta)$$

$$= 2\alpha + \beta$$

∴ Total  $\pi$  electron energy will be

$$E_{\pi} = E_{\pi(G.S)} - E_{\pi(E.S)}$$

$$E_{\pi} = (2\alpha + 4\beta) - (2\alpha + \beta)$$

$$E_{\pi} = 3\beta$$

31) Ans (d):- For  $\pi$ ,  $m_l = \pm 1$

$$\Delta M_L = |1 + 1| \dots \dots |1 + 1|$$

$$= |2| \dots \dots |0|$$

$$M_L = 2, 1, 0$$

So,  $M_L = 0$  Spectroscopic State =  $\Sigma$

$M_L = 1$  Spectroscopic State =  $\pi$

$M_L = 2$  Spectroscopic State =  $\Delta$

$M_L = 3$  Spectroscopic State =  $\phi$

For two non-equivalent  $\pi$  electrons

$$M_L = 0, 1, 2 \text{ but not } 3$$

Hence,  ${}^3\phi$  is not possible.

32) Ans (d):- According to the Pauli Exclusion Principle, the wave function of an electron must be antisymmetric.

$$\text{i.e. } \Psi(1, 2) = -\Psi(2, 1)$$

Spin wave function can be

$$\Psi_{\text{spin}} = \alpha(1)\alpha(2) \text{ or } \beta(1)\beta(2) \text{ or}$$

$$[\alpha(1)\beta(2) + \alpha(2)\beta(1)]$$

$\Psi_{\text{spin}} \equiv$  spin part of wave function. It is symmetrical in nature

As,

$$\Psi_{\text{Total}} = \Psi_{\text{space}} * \Psi_{\text{spin}}$$

$\Psi_{\text{total}}$  is anti symmetrical with electron exchange

$\Psi_{\text{space}} \equiv$  special part of wave function (symmetrical in nature)

So, spin part will be anti symmetric

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\alpha(1)\beta(2) - \beta(1)\alpha(2)]$$

33) Ans (c):- Simple Huckel molecular orbital theory distinguishes cis butadiene and cyclobutadiene on the basis of energy. As for cyclobutadiene  $DE = \text{zero}$ ; While for Butadiene  $DE = 0.472 \beta$

34) Ans (a):- For cubic box,

$$E = E_{n_x, n_y, n_z} = (n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2) \frac{h^2}{8mL^2}$$

$$\text{Degeneracy} = 1 \quad n_x = n_y = n_z = 1$$

$$E = [(1)^2 + (1)^2 + (1)^2] \frac{h^2}{8mL^2}$$

$$E = \frac{3h^2}{8mL^2}$$

If degeneracy = 3,  $n_x \quad n_y \quad n_z$

$$1 \quad 1 \quad 2$$

$$1 \quad 2 \quad 1$$

$$2 \quad 1 \quad 1$$

$$E = [(1)^2 + (1)^2 + (2)^2] \frac{h^2}{8mL^2} = \frac{6h^2}{8mL^2}$$

Hence, for degeneracy = 3, Energy will be double.

35) Ans (b):- Given,  $\Psi = 0.8 \phi_A + 0.4 \phi_B$

$$\Psi = C_1 \phi_A + C_2 \phi_B$$

By comparing,  $C_1 = 0.8$ ,  $C_2 = 0.4$

Overlap between  $\phi_A$  &  $\phi_B$

$$C_1^2 + C_2^2 + 2C_1C_2S = 1$$

Putting the values

$$\therefore (0.8)^2 + (0.4)^2 + 2(0.8)(0.4)S = 1$$

$$\therefore 0.64 + 0.16 + 2 \cdot (0.32)S = 1$$

$$\therefore 0.645 = 1 - 0.80$$

$$\therefore S = \frac{0.20}{0.64}$$

$$\therefore S = 0.31$$

36) Ans (d):- First order energy correction to the ground state will be

$$E_n = \langle \Psi_n | H | \Psi_n \rangle$$

$$= \int \Psi(x) \left\{ \delta \left( x - \frac{L}{2} \right) \right\} \Psi(x) dx$$

$$\Psi(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

We know that

$$\int \Psi(x) \delta \left( x - \frac{L}{2} \right) \Psi(x) dx$$

$$= \int \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \delta \left( x - \frac{L}{2} \right) \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{L}\right) \int \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \delta \left( x - \frac{L}{2} \right) dx$$

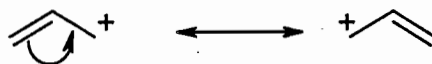
$$\text{Given: } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \delta(x-a) dx = f(a)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{L}\right) \int \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L} \times \frac{L}{2}\right) dx$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{L}\right) \int \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{L} \text{ for } n = 1$$

37) Ans (c):- Since the BMO is concentrated on the central carbon atom as most of the electron density of the allyl cation is located at  $C_2$ . Therefore, the positive charge is at  $C_1$  and  $C_3$  as (see the resonance structures of the allyl cation).



If one calculates the electron densities, there is exactly zero positive charge on the central carbon and exactly one-half unit of positive charge on each of the terminal atoms. As shown in the diagram above, the contribution to the electron density at a specific atom from a single electron in the BMO is given by the square of the coefficient of that atom in the BMO  $\frac{1}{4}$  for atoms 1 and 3, &  $\frac{1}{2}$  for atom 2.

$$\psi_1 = \frac{1}{2}\phi_1 + \frac{1}{2}\phi_2 + \frac{1}{2}\phi_3$$

The square of the coefficient of  $C_2$  atom =  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \times \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$  = contribution of electron density.

The  $\pi$  electron charge on central carbon atom in propenyl cation =  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$  that is total contribution of electronic density.

38) Ans (d):- Microstate =  $\frac{N!}{r!(N-r)!}$

Given  $N = 4, r = 2$

Microstate =  $\frac{4!}{2!2!} = 6$

39) Ans (c):-  $\Psi(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right)$

For orthonormal function

$$\int \Psi_i \Psi_j d\tau = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(x) &= \int_0^a \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) dx \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{a}\right) \int_0^a \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) dx \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{a}\right) \left\{ \int_0^a \left[ \frac{1 - \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right)}{2} \right] dx \right\} \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{a}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \int_0^a dx - \left(\frac{2}{a}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \int_0^a \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right) dx \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{a}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) [x]_0^a - 0 \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \times a \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

This function is orthonormal i.e. both orthogonal and normalized.

40) Ans (d):- Let,  $f(x) = e^{ax^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \Psi \cdot \Psi dx = 1 \text{ ..... (1)} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{ax^2} \cdot e^{ax^2} dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{2ax^2} dx \\ &= \left[ \frac{2ax^3}{3} e^{2ax^2} \right]_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \\ &= e^{\infty} - e^{-\infty} \\ &= 0 \neq 1 \text{ .....} \end{aligned}$$

It is not normalized function. Given function is non-continuous.

41) Ans (c):-  $\Psi_{2s} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{z}{a_0}\right)^2 \left(2 - \frac{zr}{a_0}\right) e^{-\frac{zr}{a_0}}$  \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

At Node,  $\Psi_{2s} = 0$

Equation (1)  $\Rightarrow \left(2 - \frac{zr}{a_0}\right) = 0$

$\therefore \frac{zr}{a_0} = 2$

$\therefore r = 2a_0$

$z = 1$  for H-atom

$\Psi_{2s} \propto \left(2 - \frac{r}{a_0}\right)$

42) Ans (d):- In the Huckel model for benzene, the  $\pi$  electronic transitions from the occupied to the unoccupied molecular orbitals do not occur at  $1\beta$

43) Ans (b):- Two operator commute if following equation is true.

$[\hat{A}, \hat{B}] = [\hat{B}, \hat{A}]$

$[\hat{A}, \hat{B}] = [\hat{A}\hat{B}] - [\hat{B}\hat{A}] = 0$  \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

Let  $\hat{A} = \frac{d}{dx}$ ,  $\hat{B} = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + 2\frac{d}{dx}$

$[\hat{A}\hat{B}]\Psi(x) \Rightarrow$

$= \left[\left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)\left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + 2\frac{d}{dx}\right)\right]\Psi(x)$

$= \left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)\left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2}\Psi(x) + 2\frac{d}{dx}\Psi(x)\right)$

$= \frac{d^3}{dx^3}\Psi(x) + 2\frac{d^2}{dx^2}\Psi(x)$  \_\_\_\_\_ (2)

$[\hat{B}\hat{A}]\Psi(x) \Rightarrow$

$= \left[\left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + 2\frac{d}{dx}\right)\left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)\right]\Psi(x)$

$= \left[\frac{d^3}{dx^3} + 2\frac{d^2}{dx^2}\right]\Psi(x)$

$= \frac{d^3}{dx^3}\Psi(x) + 2\frac{d^2}{dx^2}\Psi(x)$  \_\_\_\_\_ (2)

By substituting the values of equation (2) and (3) in equation (1), we get

equation (1)  $\Rightarrow [\hat{A}, \hat{B}] = 0$

44) Ans (a):- Average momentum  $\langle P_x \rangle$  is given by

$\langle P_x \rangle = \int_0^a \Psi_n \langle P_x \rangle \Psi_n dx$

$= \int_0^a \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \left[-i\hbar \frac{d}{dx}\right] \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \right\} dx$

$= \left(\frac{2}{a}\right) (-i\hbar) \int_0^a \left\{ \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \frac{d}{dx} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \right\} dx$

$= \left(\frac{2}{a}\right) (-i\hbar) \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \frac{n\pi}{a} dx$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{n\pi}{a} \left(\frac{2}{a}\right) (-i\hbar) \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) dx \\
 &= \left(\frac{2}{a}\right) (-i\hbar) \left(\frac{n\pi}{a}\right) \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) dx \\
 &= \frac{-2n\pi\hbar}{a^2} \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) dx \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

45) Ans (b):-The uncertainty in the momentum  $\Delta P_x$  of particle in its lowest energy state  $\Delta P_x = \frac{h}{a}$ .

46) Ans (a):-% change in energy  $\left(\frac{\Delta E}{E} \times 100\right)$

$$E = \frac{n^2 h^2}{8m\ell^2} \text{ i.e. } E \propto \frac{1}{\ell^2}$$

% change in energy  $\left(\frac{\Delta E}{E} \times 100\right)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left(2x \frac{\Delta \ell}{\ell} \times 100\right) \quad \text{Given:- } \Delta \ell = 10^{-9} \& \ell = 10^{-3} \\
 &= \frac{2 \times 10^{-9}}{10^{-3}} \times 100 = 2 \times 10^{-4}
 \end{aligned}$$

47) Ans (c):- $\hat{A} = x$ ;  $\hat{B} = \frac{d}{dx}$

$$[\hat{A}, \hat{B}] = \hat{A}\hat{B} - \hat{B}\hat{A} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\hat{A}\hat{B}]f(x) &= \left(x \frac{d}{dx}\right)f(x) = x \cdot \frac{d}{dx} f(x) \\
 &= x \cdot f'(x) \quad (2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\hat{B}, \hat{A}]f(x) &= \left[\frac{d}{dx} \cdot x\right]f(x) \\
 &= \frac{d}{dx} x \cdot f(x) \\
 &= x \frac{d}{dx} f(x) + f(x) \frac{dx}{dx} \\
 &= x f'(x) + f(x) \quad (3)
 \end{aligned}$$

equation (1)  $\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\hat{A}, \hat{B}] &= x f'(x) - [x f'(x) + f(x)] \\
 &= x f'(x) - x f'(x) - f(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$[\hat{A}, \hat{B}] = -f(x)$$

48) Ans (a):- De-Broglie wavelength given by

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{mv} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Also, } E \text{ or K.E.} = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$$\therefore v = \sqrt{\frac{2E}{m}}$$

Equation(1) become, 
$$\lambda = \frac{h}{m\sqrt{\frac{2E}{m}}}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2mE}}$$

Given  $\lambda = \left(\frac{a}{\phi}\right)^{1/2}$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{a}{\phi}\right)^{1/2} = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2mE}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a}{\phi} = \frac{h^2}{2mE}$$

$$\therefore a = \frac{h^2}{2mE} \times \phi$$

$$a = \frac{h^2}{2meV} \phi$$

By substituting values, we get  $a = 1.49 \times 10^{-18}$

49) Ans (b):- Bragg's equations is  $n\lambda = 2d \sin \theta$

$$\therefore \sin \theta = \frac{n\lambda}{2d}$$

for diffraction,  $\sin \theta \leq 1$

$$\therefore \frac{n\lambda}{2d} \leq 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{\lambda}{2d} \leq 1$$

$n = 1$  for 1st order diffraction

$$\therefore \lambda \leq 2d$$

50) Ans (d):- Bragg's equations is  $n\lambda = 2d \sin \theta$  \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

For minimum value of  $\phi$ ,  $\lambda$  must be maximum

$\lambda = \text{maximum when } \sin \theta = \sin 90^\circ = 1$

for 1<sup>st</sup> order diffraction  $n = 1$

$$\lambda = 2d \sin \theta \quad \theta = 90^\circ$$

by putting values of  $n$  and  $\sin \theta$  in eq<sup>n</sup> (1) we get

$$\lambda = 2d \dots \dots \dots \sin 90^\circ = 1$$

Given :  $\lambda = \frac{a}{\sqrt{\phi}}$

$$2d = \frac{a}{\sqrt{\phi}}$$

$$(2d)^2 = \frac{a}{\phi}$$

$$\therefore \phi = \frac{a}{(2d)^2} = \frac{a}{4d^2}$$

$$= \frac{1.5 \times 10^{-18}}{4(351.8 \times 10^{-12})^2}$$

$$\therefore \phi = 3.0 \text{ V}$$



51) Ans (c):- Lowest energy state ;  $(n_x, n_y, n_z) = (1, 1, 1)$

$$E_n = (n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2) \frac{h^2}{8mL^2}$$

$$E_{(1,1,1)} = [(1)^2 + (1)^2 + (1)^2] \frac{h^2}{8mL^2}$$

$$E_1 = \frac{3h^2}{8mL^2}$$

Given :-  $E_2 = 4E_1$

$$= 4 \times \frac{3h^2}{8mL^2}$$

$$E_2 = \frac{12h^2}{8mL^2}$$

$$E_n = (n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2) \frac{h^2}{8mL^2}$$

By comparing, we get

$$(n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2) = 12$$

$$\therefore (n_x, n_y, n_z) = (2, 2, 2)$$

$$\therefore \text{Degeneracy} = 1$$

52) Ans (a):- Given

$$h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34}$$

$$m = 4 \dots \dots \dots \text{(for He - atom)}$$

$$v = 1000 \text{ m/s}$$

de-Broglie wavelength is given by

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{mv}$$

$$= \frac{6.63 \times 10^{-34}}{4 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-27} \times 1000}$$

$$\lambda = 99.8 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}$$

53) Ans (c):-  $E = \frac{n^2 h^2}{8ml^2}$  \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

Since,  $E = hv, l = b$

Eq<sup>n</sup> (1) becomes

$$hv = \frac{n^2 h^2}{8mb^2}$$
 \_\_\_\_\_ (2)

For ground state  $n = 1$

$$\text{Eq}^n (2) \Rightarrow hv = \frac{(1)^2 h^2}{8mb^2} = \frac{h^2}{8mb^2}$$
 \_\_\_\_\_ (3)

For 2<sup>nd</sup> state existed state  $n = 3$

$$\text{Eq}^n (2) \Rightarrow hv = \frac{(3)^2 h^2}{8mb^2} = \frac{9h^2}{8mb^2}$$
 \_\_\_\_\_ (4)

$$\therefore hv = \frac{9h^2}{8mb^2} - \frac{h^2}{8mb^2}$$

$$= \frac{8h^2}{8mb^2}$$

$$hv = \frac{h^2}{mb^2}$$

$$\therefore v = \frac{h}{mb^2}$$

54) Ans (c):-Given

$$\Psi_1 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{b}} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{b}\right) \quad \& \quad \Psi_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{b}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{b}\right)$$

$\Psi_1 =$  Orthogonal and  $\Psi_2 =$  Normalised

This is due to the condition for orthonormality are

$$\begin{aligned} \int \Psi_i \Psi_j \, dx &= 0 \quad \text{if } i \neq j \\ &= 1 \quad \text{if } i = j \end{aligned}$$

55) Ans (d):-  $\Psi = A \cdot \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right)$

For Normalization, we have

$$\int_0^a \Psi^2 \, dx = A^2 \int_0^a \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) \, dx = 1$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{\pi x}{a} = t$$

$$x = \frac{a t}{\pi}$$

$$dx = \frac{a \, dt}{\pi}$$

$$\text{as } x = 0 \Rightarrow t = 0$$

$$x = a \Rightarrow t = \pi$$

$$\int_0^a \Psi^2 \, dx = A^2 \left(\frac{a}{\pi}\right) \int_0^\pi \sin^2 t \, dt = 1$$

$$A^2 \left(\frac{a}{\pi}\right) \times \frac{\pi}{2} = 1$$

$$\therefore A^2 = \frac{2}{a}$$

$$\therefore A = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}}$$

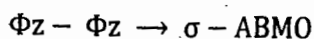
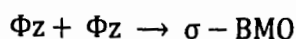
$$\therefore A = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{200}}$$

$$= \pm \sqrt{0.01}$$

$$\therefore A = 0.1$$

56) Ans (d):- If  $\Delta y$  and  $\Delta p_y$  are the uncertainties in the y-coordinate and the y component of the momentum of a particle respectively, then, according to uncertainty principle  $\Delta y \Delta p_y$  is ( $\hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi}$  &  $h$  is Planck's constant) is  $\geq \hbar/2$

57) Ans (d):- Since, CO molecule is oriented along z - axis, combination of  $\Phi_z$  and  $\Phi_z$  results in the formation of  $\sigma$  - Bonding orbital



While, combination of either  $\Phi_x$  and  $\Phi_x$  or  $\Phi_y$  and  $\Phi_y$  result in formation of  $\pi$  - bonding orbital.

$\therefore$  wave function for  $\pi$  - BMO is

$$= C_1 \Phi_x^c + C_2 \Phi_x^0$$

58) Ans (a):- According to Huckel MOT, Secular determinant for allene radical is

$$\begin{vmatrix} \alpha - E & \beta & 0 \\ \beta & \alpha - E & \beta \\ 0 & \beta & \alpha - E \end{vmatrix}$$

59) Ans (a):-

$$\begin{vmatrix} \alpha - E & \beta & 0 \\ \beta & \alpha - E & \beta \\ 0 & \beta & \alpha - E \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\alpha - E}{\beta} & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & \frac{\alpha - E}{\beta} & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{\alpha - E}{\beta} \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Let  $\frac{\alpha - E}{\beta} = x$

$\therefore \alpha - E = x\beta$

$\therefore E = \alpha - x\beta$  \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

$\therefore \begin{vmatrix} x & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & x & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$

By solving, we get

$x^2 = 0$  ;  $x = 0$

$x^2 = 2$  ;  $x = \pm\sqrt{2}$

on putting values of x in eq<sup>n</sup> (1), we get

$E = \alpha + \sqrt{2}\beta, \alpha, \alpha - \sqrt{2}\beta$

60) Ans (b):-  $\Psi = e^{-2x^2}$

$\hat{O} = \text{operator} = \left[ \frac{d^2}{dx^2} - 16x^2 \right]$

$\hat{O}\Psi = a\Psi$

a = eigen value

$\left[ \frac{d^2}{dx^2} - 16x^2 \right] (e^{-2x^2})$

$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2}{dx^2} (e^{-2x^2}) - 16x^2 \cdot e^{-2x^2}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ \frac{d}{dx} e^{-2x^2} \right\} - 16x^2 \cdot e^{-2x^2}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \{-4x \cdot e^{-2x^2}\} - 16x^2 \cdot e^{-2x^2}$

$\Rightarrow (-4) \left\{ \frac{d}{dx} (x \cdot e^{-2x^2}) \right\} - 16x^2 \cdot e^{-2x^2}$

$\Rightarrow (-4) \left\{ x \frac{d}{dx} e^{-2x^2} + e^{-2x^2} \frac{d}{dx} x \right\} - 16x^2 \cdot e^{-2x^2}$

$\Rightarrow (-4) \{ (-4x^2)e^{-2x^2} + e^{-2x^2} \} - 16x^2 \cdot e^{-2x^2}$

$\Rightarrow 16x^2 \cdot e^{-2x^2} - 4e^{-2x^2} - 16x^2 \cdot e^{-2x^2}$

$\hat{O}\Psi = -4e^{-2x^2}$

$\hat{O}\Psi = -4\Psi$

$\therefore$  by comparing this with equation (1), we have a = -4, where a = eigen value

61) Ans (d):-In this case we cannot define the value of the magnetic quantum number of a  $p_x$  orbital & it may be +1, 0 or -1 (but the exact value depends upon symmetric axis.)

62) Ans (b):- For the given hydrogenic wave function

$$\Psi = Nr(6 - zr)e^{\frac{-zr}{3}} \cos\theta$$

$n = 3, l = 1$  i.e. corresponds to 3p orbital

$\therefore$  Number of angular nodes =  $l = 1$

$\therefore$  Also, Number of radial nodes

$$= n - l - 1$$

$$= 3 - 1 - 1$$

$$= 1$$

Hence, an angular and radial node is equal to one.

Also,  $\Psi = 0$  in the xy plane and size of the orbital decreases with increase in atomic number.

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## Topic 2

# VALENCE SHELL ELECTRON PAIR REPULSION THEORY (VSEPR)

### Questions with TWO marks

- 1) Among  $\text{SF}_4$ ,  $\text{BF}_4^-$ ,  $\text{XeF}_4$  and  $\text{ICl}_4^-$  the number of species having two lone pair of electrons on the central atom according to VSEPR theory is [June 2011]  
(a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 0
- 2) In the molecules  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{NH}_3$  and  $\text{CH}_4$ . [June 2011]  
(a) The bond angles are same (b) The bond distances are same.  
(c) The hybridizations are same (d) The shapes are same.
- 3) The total number of lone pairs of electrons in  $\text{I}_3^-$  is [June 2012]  
(a) Zero (b) Three (c) Six (d) Nine
- 4) Which ones among  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ,  $\text{SO}_3$ ,  $\text{XeO}_3$  and  $\text{NO}_3^-$  have planar structure? [Dec 2012]  
(a)  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ,  $\text{SO}_3$  and  $\text{XeO}_3$ , (b)  $\text{SO}_3$ ,  $\text{XeO}_3$ , and  $\text{NO}_3^-$   
(c)  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ,  $\text{XeO}_3$ , and  $\text{NO}_3^-$  (d)  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ,  $\text{SO}_3$ , and  $\text{NO}_3^-$
- 5) The number of lone-pairs are identical in the pairs [June 2013]  
(a)  $\text{XeF}_4$ ,  $\text{ClF}_3$  (b)  $\text{XeO}_4$ ,  $\text{ICl}_4^-$  (c)  $\text{XeO}_2\text{F}_2$ ,  $\text{ICl}_4^-$  (d)  $\text{XeO}_4$ ,  $\text{ClF}_3$
- 6) According to VSEPR theory, the geometry (with lone pair) around the central iodine in  $\text{I}_3^+$  and  $\text{I}_3^-$  ions respectively are [Dec 2013]  
(a) tetrahedral and tetrahedral (b) trigonal bipyramidal and trigonal bipyramidal  
(c) tetrahedral and trigonal bipyramidal (d) tetrahedral and octahedral
- 7) The structure of  $\text{SbPh}_5$  and  $\text{PPh}_5$  respectively are [June 2014]  
(a) trigonal bipyramidal, square pyramidal (b) square pyramidal, trigonal bipyramidal  
(c) trigonal bipyramidal, trigonal bipyramidal (d) square pyramidal, square pyramidal
- 8) The correct non-linear and iso-structural pair is [June 2014]  
(a)  $\text{SCl}_2$ ,  $\text{I}_3^-$  (b)  $\text{SCl}_2$ ,  $\text{I}_3^+$  (c)  $\text{SCl}_2$ ,  $\text{ClF}_2^-$  (d)  $\text{I}_3^+$ ,  $\text{ClF}_2^-$

### Questions with FOUR marks

- 9) According to VSEPR theory, the molecule/ion having ideal tetrahedral shape is [June 2011]  
(a)  $\text{SF}_4$  (b)  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  (c)  $\text{S}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (d)  $\text{SO}_2\text{Cl}_2$
- 10) The molecule with highest number of lone-pairs and has a linear shape based on VSEPR theory is [June 2011]  
(a)  $\text{CO}_2$  (b)  $\text{I}_3^-$  (c)  $\text{NO}_2^-$  (d)  $\text{NO}_2^+$

11) Match list I (compounds) with list II (structures), and select the correct answer using the codes given below [Dec 2011]

List I

- (A)  $\text{XeO}_4$   
 (B)  $\text{BrF}_4^-$   
 (C)  $\text{SeCl}_4$

List II

- (i) square planar  
 (ii) tetrahedral  
 (iii) distorted tetrahedral.

- (a) (A-ii) (B-iii) (C-i)      (b) (A-iii) (B-i) (C-ii)      (c) (A-ii) (B-i) (C-iii)      (d) (A-i) (B-ii) (C-iii)

12) Among the following pairs, those in which both species have similar structures are [Dec 2011]

- (A)  $\text{N}_3^-$ ,  $\text{XeF}_2$       (B)  $[\text{ICl}_4]^-$ ,  $[\text{PtCl}_4]^{2-}$       (C)  $[\text{ClF}_2]^+$ ,  $[\text{ICl}_2]^-$       (D)  $\text{XeO}_3$ ,  $\text{SO}_3$   
 (a) (A) and (B) only      (b) (A) and (C) only      (c) (A), (B) and (C) only      (d) (B), (C) and (D) only

13) The decreasing order of dipole moment of molecules is [June 2012]

- (a)  $\text{NF}_3 > \text{NH}_3 > \text{H}_2\text{O}$       (b)  $\text{NH}_3 > \text{NF}_3 > \text{H}_2\text{O}$       (c)  $\text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{NH}_3 > \text{NF}_3$       (d)  $\text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{NF}_3 > \text{NH}_3$

(Questions from GATE EXAM)Questions with ONE OR TWO marks

14) The shape of the molecule  $\text{XeO}_2\text{F}_2$  is [GATE 2005]

- (a) distorted octahedral      (b) square planar  
 (c) trigonal bipyramidal      (d) tetrahedral

15)  $[\text{XeO}_6]^{4-}$  is octahedral whereas  $\text{XeF}_6$  is a distorted one, because [GATE 2006]

- (a) fluorine is more electronegative than oxygen      (b) Xe has a lone-pair in  $\text{XeF}_6$   
 (c)  $\text{XeF}_6$  is neutral whereas  $[\text{XeO}_6]^{4-}$  is anionic      (d) Xe-F has more ionic character

16) The pair of compounds having the same hybridization for the central atom is [GATE 2007]

- (a)  $\text{XeF}_4$  and  $[\text{SiF}_6]^{2-}$       (b)  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$  and  $[\text{PtCl}_4]^{2-}$   
 (c)  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$  and  $\text{XeO}_2\text{F}_2$       (d)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$  and  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$

17) If  $\text{ClF}_3$ , were to be stereochemically rigid, its  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum (I for  $^{19}\text{F} = 1/2$ ), would be (assume that Cl is not NMR active) [GATE 2008]

- (a) a doublet and a triplet      (b) a singlet  
 (c) a doublet and a singlet      (d) two singlets

18) The geometry around the central atom in  $\text{ClF}_4^+$  is [GATE 2009]

- (a) square planar      (b) square pyramidal  
 (c) octahedral      (d) trigonal bipyramidal

19) Among the following, the isoelectronic and isostructural pair is [GATE 2009]

- (a)  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{SO}_2$       (b)  $\text{SO}_3$  and  $\text{SeO}_3$   
 (c)  $\text{NO}_2^+$  and  $\text{TeO}_2$       (d)  $\text{SiO}_4^{4-}$  and  $\text{PO}_4^{3-}$

20) According to VSEPR model, the shape of  $[\text{XeOF}_5]^-$  is [GATE 2010]

- (a) octahedral      (b) trigonal bipyramidal  
 (c) square pyramidal      (d) pentagonal monopyrarnidal

- 21) Among the following, the group of molecules that undergoes rapid hydrolysis is [GATE 2011]  
 (a)  $\text{SF}_6$ ,  $\text{Al}_2\text{Cl}_6$ ,  $\text{SiMe}_4$  (b)  $\text{BCl}_3$ ,  $\text{SF}_6$ ,  $\text{SiCl}_4$   
 (c)  $\text{BCl}_3$ ,  $\text{SiCl}_4$ ,  $\text{PCl}_5$  (d)  $\text{SF}_6$ ,  $\text{Al}_2\text{Cl}_6$ ,  $\text{SiCl}_4$
- 22) The reaction of solid  $\text{XeF}_2$  with  $\text{AsF}_5$  in 1: 1 ratio affords [GATE 2011]  
 (a)  $\text{XeF}_4$  and  $\text{AsF}_3$  (b)  $\text{XeF}_6$  and  $\text{AsF}_3$   
 (c)  $[\text{XeF}]^+ [\text{AsF}_6]^-$  (d)  $[\text{Xe}_2\text{F}_3]^+ [\text{AsF}_6]^-$
- 23) According to VSEPR theory, the shape of  $[\text{SF}_2\text{Cl}]^+$  and  $[\text{S}_2\text{O}_4]^{2-}$  should be [GATE 2011]  
 (a) trigonal planar for  $[\text{S}_2\text{O}_4]^{2-}$  and trigonal pyramidal for  $[\text{SF}_2\text{Cl}]^+$  (b) both are trigonal planar  
 (c) trigonal pyramidal for  $[\text{S}_2\text{O}_4]^{2-}$  and trigonal planar for  $[\text{SF}_2\text{Cl}]^+$  (d) both trigonal pyramidal
- 24) The order of polarity of  $\text{NH}_3$ ,  $\text{NF}_3$  and  $\text{BF}_3$  is [GATE 2012]  
 (a)  $\text{NF}_3 < \text{NH}_3 < \text{BF}_3$  (b)  $\text{BF}_3 < \text{NF}_3 < \text{NH}_3$   
 (c)  $\text{BF}_3 < \text{NH}_3 < \text{NF}_3$  (d)  $\text{NF}_3 < \text{BF}_3 < \text{NH}_3$
- 25) Conversion of boron trifluoride to tetrafluoroborate accompanies [GATE 2013]  
 (a) increase in symmetry and bond elongation (b) increase in symmetry and bond contraction  
 (c) decrease in symmetry and bond contraction (d) decrease in symmetry and bond elongation

← Answer Key →

**Topic : 2:-Valence shell electron pair repulsion theory (VSEPR)**

|    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |
|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|
| 1  | a | 2  | c | 3  | d | 4  | d | 5  | a | 6  | c | 7  | b | 8  | b | 9  | b | 10 | b |
| 11 | c | 12 | a | 13 | c | 14 | c | 15 | b | 16 | a | 17 | a | 18 | d | 19 | d | 20 | d |
| 21 | c | 22 | c | 23 | a | 24 | b | 25 | a |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |

**Hint & solution**

VSEPR theory is useful to predict the shapes of molecules, and type of hybridization, based on the number of electron pairs (bond pair + lone pair) present in valence shell of central atom. Refer table-

| Steric Number ↓                                  | lone pair → | 0 lp                   | 1 lp                             | 2 lp          | 3 lp   |
|--|-------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|--------|
| 2 (sp hybridization)                             |             | linear                 | -                                | -             | -      |
| 3 (sp <sup>2</sup> hybridization)                |             | Trigonal planar        | Angular (Bent shape)             | -             | -      |
| 4 (sp <sup>3</sup> hybridization)                |             | Tetrahedral            | Trigonal Pyramidal               | Angular       |        |
| 5 (sp <sup>3</sup> d hybridization)              |             | Trigonal bipyramidal   | See saw or Distorted tetrahedral | T-shape       | Linear |
| 6 (sp <sup>3</sup> d <sup>2</sup> hybridization) |             | Octahedral             | Square pyramidal                 | Square planar | -      |
| 7 (sp <sup>3</sup> d <sup>3</sup> hybridization) |             | Pentagonal bipyramidal | Pentagonal pyramidal             | -             | -      |

The shapes of molecules, and type of hybridization can be predicted by following formula which give us steric number-

Steric number on central atom =

$$= \frac{\text{Valence electron in central atom} + \text{no. of bonded atom(s)} - \text{positive charge} + \text{negative charge}}{2}$$

**Note:** - If oxygen is bonded; consider it as zero as it forms double bond.

**Example:-**

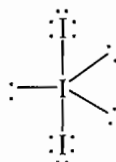
Steric number on xenon in  $\text{XeO}_2\text{F}_4 = \frac{\text{Valence electron in central atom} + \text{no. of bonded atom(s)}}{2}$

$$= \frac{8 + 4}{2} = 6 \text{ i.e. octahedral shape (6 bond pair \& 0 lone pair) \& hybridization is } sp^3d^2$$

1) Ans (a):- According to VSEPR theory  $\text{XeF}_4$  and  $\text{ICl}_4^-$  have two lone pair of electrons on the central atom.

2) Ans (c):- The hybridizations of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{NH}_3$  and  $\text{CH}_4$  are same ( $sp^3$  hybridization in all)

3) Ans (d):- The shape of  $\text{I}_3^-$  is linear & the total number of lone pairs of electrons in  $\text{I}_3^-$  is nine



4) Ans (d):- Among  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ,  $\text{SO}_3$ ,  $\text{XeO}_3$  and  $\text{NO}_3^-$ ;  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ,  $\text{SO}_3$ , and  $\text{NO}_3^-$  have planar structure

| Molecule or ion    | lone pair + bond pair | shape           |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ | 0 lp + 3 bp           | Trigonal planar |
| $\text{SO}_3$      | 0 lp + 3 bp           | Trigonal planar |
| $\text{XeO}_3$     | 1 lp + 3 bp           | Tetrahedral     |
| $\text{NO}_3^-$    | 0 lp + 3 bp           | Trigonal planar |

5) Ans (a):- The number of lone-pairs are identical in the  $\text{XeF}_4$ ,  $\text{ClF}_3$  &  $\text{ICl}_4^-$

| Molecule or ion          | lone pair + bond pair | shape                            |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| $\text{XeF}_4$           | 2 lp + 4 bp           | Square planar                    |
| $\text{ClF}_3$           | 2 lp + 3 bp           | T-shape                          |
| $\text{XeO}_4$           | 0 lp + 4 bp           | Tetrahedral                      |
| $\text{ICl}_4^-$         | 2 lp + 4 bp           | Square planar                    |
| $\text{XeO}_2\text{F}_2$ | 1 lp + 4 bp           | See saw or Distorted tetrahedral |

6) Ans (c):- the geometry (with lone pair) around the central iodine in  $\text{I}_3^+$  and  $\text{I}_3^-$  ions are Tetrahedral and Trigonal bipyramidal respectively

| Molecule or ion | lone pair + bond pair | Geometry                      | shape                |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| $\text{I}_3^+$  | 2 lp + 2 bp           | Based on Tetrahedral          | Angular (Bent shape) |
| $\text{I}_3^-$  | 3 lp + 2 bp           | Based on Trigonal bipyramidal | Linear               |



7) Ans (b):- The structure of  $\text{SbPh}_5$  and  $\text{PPh}_5$  are square pyramidal, trigonal bipyramidal respectively.  
 (Hint:- due larger size of Sb, the structure of  $\text{SbPh}_5$  rearrange from trigonal bipyramidal to square pyramidal shape.)

8) Ans (b):- The non-linear and iso-structural pair is  $\text{SCl}_2$ ,  $\text{I}_3^+$

| Option | Molecule or ion | shape   | Molecule or ion  | shape   |
|--------|-----------------|---------|------------------|---------|
| a      | $\text{SCl}_2$  | Angular | $\text{I}_3^-$   | Linear  |
| b      | $\text{SCl}_2$  | Angular | $\text{I}_3^+$   | Angular |
| c      | $\text{SCl}_2$  | Angular | $\text{ClF}_2^-$ | linear  |
| d      | $\text{I}_3^+$  | Angular | $\text{ClF}_2^-$ | Linear  |

9) Ans (b):- Hint: - Shape of  $\text{SO}_2\text{Cl}_2$  is not regular tetrahedral as bonded atoms are different (oxygen & chlorine)

| Molecule or ion          | lp & bp on central atom | shape                 |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| $\text{SF}_4$            | 1 lp + 4 bp             | Distorted tetrahedral |
| $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$       | 0 lp + 4 bp             | ideal tetrahedral     |
| $\text{S}_2\text{Cl}_2$  | 1 lp + 3 bp             | Trigonal Pyramidal    |
| $\text{SO}_2\text{Cl}_2$ | 0 lp + 4 bp             | Irregular tetrahedral |

10) Ans (b):-  $\text{I}_3^-$  ion has highest number of lone-pairs and a linear shape based on VSEPR theory.

| Molecule or ion | lp & bp on central atom | total no. of lp | shape   |
|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---------|
| $\text{CO}_2$   | 0 lp + 2 bp             | 4 lp            | Linear  |
| $\text{I}_3^-$  | 3 lp + 2 bp             | 9 lp            | Linear  |
| $\text{NO}_2^-$ | 1 lp + 2 bp             | 6 lp            | Angular |
| $\text{NO}_2^+$ | 0 lp + 2 bp             | 4 lp            | Linear  |

11) Ans (c):-

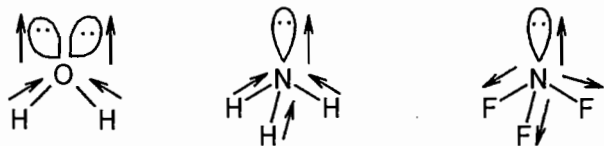
| Molecule or ion  | lone pair + bond pair | shape                 |
|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| $\text{XeO}_4$   | 0 lp + 4 bp           | Tetrahedral           |
| $\text{BrF}_4^-$ | 2 lp + 4 bp           | Square planar         |
| $\text{SeCl}_4$  | 1 lp + 4 bp           | Distorted tetrahedral |

12) Ans (a):-

| Option | Molecule or ion    | shape              | Molecule or ion        | shape           |
|--------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| A      | $\text{N}_3^-$     | Linear             | $\text{XeF}_2$         | Linear          |
| B      | $[\text{ICl}_4]^-$ | Square planar      | $[\text{PtCl}_4]^{2-}$ | Square planar   |
| C      | $[\text{ClF}_2]^+$ | Angular            | $[\text{ICl}_2]^-$     | linear          |
| D      | $\text{XeO}_3$     | Trigonal Pyramidal | $\text{SO}_3$          | Trigonal planar |

13) Ans (c):- Dipole moment is vector quantity, & in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  &  $\text{NH}_3$ ; dipole moment is due to lone pair & bond pair which reinforce in same direction but in  $\text{NF}_3$  it is in opposite direction.

Among the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  &  $\text{NH}_3$ ; dipole moment of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is greater than  $\text{NH}_3$  due to 2 lone pair of electron in water  
Therefore decreasing order of dipole moment is  $\text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{NH}_3 > \text{NF}_3$



14) Ans (c):- The shape of the molecule  $\text{XeO}_2\text{F}_2$  is trigonal bipyramidal (see-saw) with 1 lp + 4 bp

15) Ans (b):-  $[\text{XeO}_6]^{4-}$  is octahedral whereas  $\text{XeF}_6$  is a distorted one, because Xe has a one lone-pair in  $\text{XeF}_6$

| Molecule or ion       | lone pair + bond pair | shape   |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| $[\text{XeO}_6]^{4-}$ | 0 lp + 6 bp           | Octahedral                                      |
| $\text{XeF}_6$        | 1 lp + 6 bp           | Pentagonal pyramidal<br>or distorted octahedral |

16) Ans (a):- The  $\text{XeF}_4$  and  $[\text{SiF}_6]^{2-}$  have the same hybridization for the central atom.

| Molecule or ion                   | hybridization           | Molecule or ion                          | hybridization           |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| $\text{XeF}_4$                    | $\text{sp}^3\text{d}^2$ | $[\text{SiF}_6]^{2-}$                    | $\text{sp}^3\text{d}^2$ |
| $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$            | $\text{sp}^3$           | $[\text{PtCl}_4]^{2-}$                   | $\text{dsp}^2$          |
| $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$          | $\text{sp}^3$           | $\text{XeO}_2\text{F}_2$                 | $\text{sp}^3\text{d}$   |
| $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$ | $\text{d}^2\text{sp}^3$ | $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$ | $\text{sp}^3\text{d}^2$ |

17) Ans (a):- The  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{ClF}_3$  (T-shaped) shows a doublet and a triplet. Two axial F nuclei split into a doublet by the single equatorial  $^{19}\text{F}$  nucleus, and single equatorial F nucleus split into a triplet by the two axial  $^{19}\text{F}$  nuclei

18) Ans (d):- The geometry around the central atom in  $\text{ClF}_4^+$  is trigonal bipyramidal with see saw shape  
Total no. of pair = 5 (1lp + 4 bp)

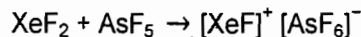
19) Ans (d):- Among all  $\text{SiO}_4^{4-}$  &  $\text{PO}_4^{3-}$  is the isoelectronic and isostructural pair

| Pair | Molecular/ion       | Total electrons | Structure according to VSEPR |
|------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| (a)  | $\text{CO}_2$       | 22              | linear                       |
|      | $\text{SO}_2$       | 32              | Bent or V shaped             |
| (b)  | $\text{SO}_3$       | 40              | trigonal planar              |
|      | $\text{SeO}_3$      | 58              | trigonal planar              |
| (c)  | $\text{NO}_2^-$     | 24              | bent or V shaped             |
|      | $\text{TeO}_2$      | 68              | bent or V shaped             |
| (d)  | $\text{SiO}_4^{4-}$ | 50              | tetrahedral                  |
|      | $\text{PO}_4^{3-}$  | 50              | tetrahedral                  |

20) Ans (d):- The shape of  $[\text{XeOF}_5]^-$  is pentagonal monopyramidal. (1 lp + 6 bp)

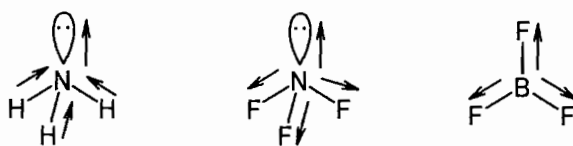
21) **Ans (c):-** SF<sub>6</sub> is very unreactive due to steric hindrance of six F<sup>-</sup> around the central S atom & high strength of S-F bond it undergoes hydrolysis very slowly. Al<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>6</sub> exists as the dimer & therefore do undergo hydrolysis. While BCl<sub>3</sub>, SiCl<sub>4</sub>, PCl<sub>5</sub> undergoes rapid hydrolysis.

22) **Ans (c):-** Fluoride acceptors such as BF<sub>3</sub>, AsF<sub>5</sub> and SbF<sub>5</sub> readily form the anions [BF<sub>4</sub>]<sup>-</sup>, [AsF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>-</sup> and [SbF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>-</sup> respectively. Thus the reaction of XeF<sub>2</sub> with AsF<sub>5</sub> in 1: 1 ratio affords [XeF]<sup>+</sup> [AsF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>-</sup>

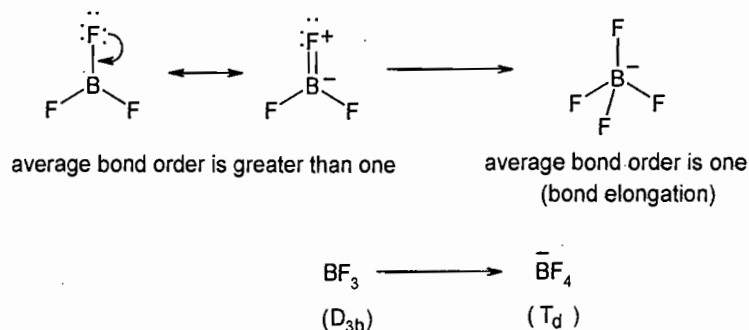


23) **Ans (a):-** According to VSEPR theory, the shape of [SF<sub>2</sub>Cl]<sup>+</sup> and [S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>]<sup>2-</sup> should be trigonal pyramidal and unusual trigonal planar due to long sulfur-sulfur bond respectively.

24) **Ans (b):-** Dipole moment is vector quantity, & in NH<sub>3</sub>, dipole moment is due to lone pair & bond pair which reinforce in same direction but in NF<sub>3</sub> it is in opposite direction. In case of BF<sub>3</sub> dipole moment due to bond pair cancel out each other & it is non-polar. Therefore the order of polarity is BF<sub>3</sub> < NF<sub>3</sub> < NH<sub>3</sub>



25) **Ans (a):-** In BF<sub>3</sub> (D<sub>3h</sub>) due to stronger 2p(B)-2p(F) π back bonding; bond order of each B-F bond is greater than one while in BF<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> (T<sub>d</sub>) bond order of B-F is one therefore conversion of BF<sub>3</sub> to BF<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> accompanies with bond elongation. Point group T<sub>d</sub> is group of high symmetry than D<sub>3h</sub>



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### Topic 3

## MOT OF DIATOMIC MOLECULES

#### Questions with two marks

- 1) The number of antibonding electrons in NO and CO according to MO theory are respectively. [Dec 2011]  
(a) 1, 0 (b) 2, 2 (c) 3, 2 (d) 2, 3
- 2) If a homonuclear diatomic molecule is oriented along the Z-axis, the molecular orbital formed by linear combination of  $p_x$ , orbitals of the two atoms is [Dec 2013]  
(a)  $\sigma$  (b)  $\sigma^*$  (c)  $\pi$  (d)  $\delta$
- 3) The molecule in which the bond order increases upon addition of an electron is [Dec 2013]  
(a)  $O_2$  (b)  $B_2$  (c)  $P_2$  (d)  $N_2$
- 4) The reason for the chemical inertness of gaseous nitrogen at room temperature is best given by its [Dec 2013]  
(a) high bonding energy only (b) electronic configuration  
(c) HOMO-LUMO gap only (d) high bond energy and HOMO-LUMO gap

#### Questions with four marks

- 5) The highest occupied MO in  $N_2$  and  $O_2^+$  respectively are (take x-axis as internuclear axis) [June 2011]  
(a)  $\sigma 2p_x, \pi^* 2p_y$  (b)  $\pi 2p_y, \pi 2p_z$  (c)  $\sigma^* 2p_x, \sigma 2p_x$  (d)  $\pi^* 2p_y, \pi^* 2p_z$

#### (Questions from GATE EXAM)

#### Questions with ONE OR TWO marks

- ) Match the following items of column I with the appropriate items in column II [GATE 2005]

| Column I                 | column II                               |
|--------------------------|---|
| <b>Molecular species</b> | <b>Bond order and magnetic property</b> |
| P) $O_2^-$               | I 2.5 paramagnetic                      |
| Q) $O_2$                 | II 2.0 diamagnetic                      |
| R) $O_2^+$               | III 1.5 diamagnetic                     |
| S) $O_2^{-2}$            | IV 1.0 diamagnetic                      |
|                          | V 2.0 paramagnetic                      |
|                          | VI 1.5 paramagnetic                     |

- (a) P-III, Q-V, R-IV, S-III (b) P-III, Q-II, R-I, S-IV (c) P-III, Q-V, R-IV, S-VI (d) P-VI, Q-V, R-I, S-IV

- For a homonuclear diatomic molecule, the bonding molecular orbital is [GATE 2007]  
(a)  $\sigma_u$  of lowest energy (b)  $\sigma_u$  of second lowest energy (c)  $\pi_g$  of lowest energy (d)  $\pi_u$  of lowest energy

- the highest occupied molecular orbital of HF is [GATE 2008]  
(a) bonding (b) antibonding (c) ionic (d) nonbonding

- the bond order of  $C_2$  molecule is [GATE 2010]  
(a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3

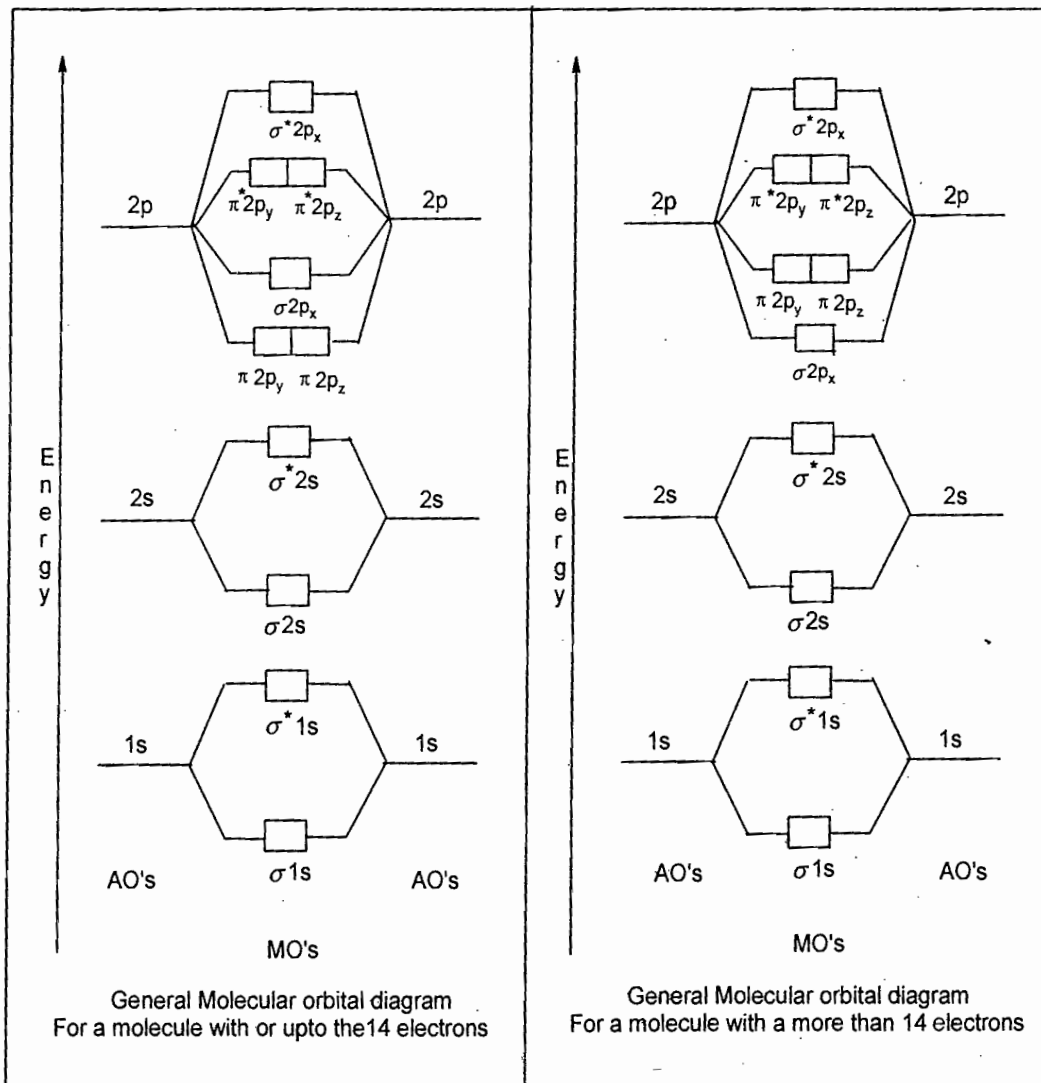
Answer Key

Topic: 3:-Molecular orbital theory of diatomic molecules

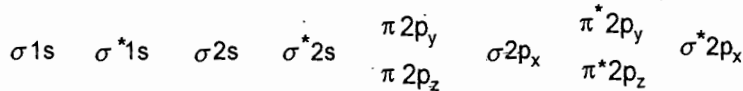
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| 1 | a | 2 | c | 3 | b | 4 | d | 5 | a | 6 | d | 7 | d | 8 | d | 9 | c |
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Hint & solution

General Molecular orbital diagram for diatomic molecules:-

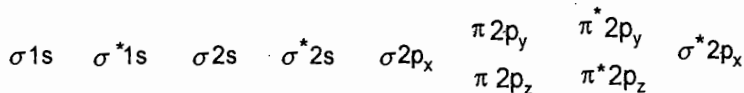


General MO electronic configuration for diatomic molecules, ions with a or upto the 14 electrons :-



Energy increases

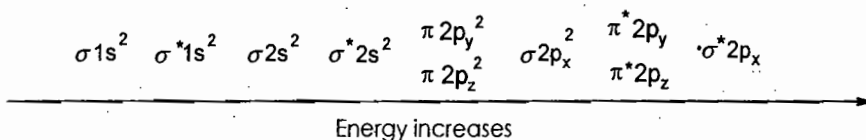
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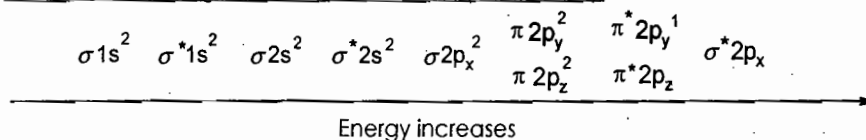
Energy increases

1) Ans (a):- The number of antibonding electrons in NO and CO according to MO theory are respectively 1, 0

MO electronic configuration Of CO molecule:- (14 electrons)



MO electronic configuration Of NO molecule :- (15 electrons)



2) Ans (c):- If a homonuclear diatomic molecule is oriented along the Z-axis, the molecular orbital formed by linear combination of  $p_z$  orbitals results in a  $\sigma$  bond formation while the molecular orbital formed by combination of  $p_x$  or  $p_y$  orbitals results in a  $\pi$  bond formation

3) Ans (b):- An extra electron always add into lower unoccupied molecular orbital (LUMO) & if LUMO is antibonding molecular orbital; it results in a decrease in bond order & if LUMO is bonding molecular orbital; it results in a increase in bond order. Note: - consider  $P_2$  as like  $N_2$

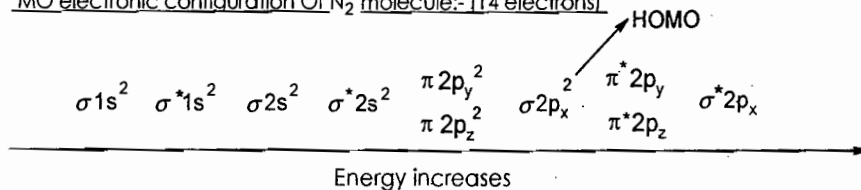
| Molecule | LUMO                          |
|----------|-------------------------------|
| $O_2$    | Antibonding molecular orbital |
| $B_2$    | Bonding molecular orbital     |
| $P_2$    | Antibonding molecular orbital |
| $N_2$    | Antibonding molecular orbital |

Therefore bond order of  $B_2$  molecule is increases upon addition of an electron

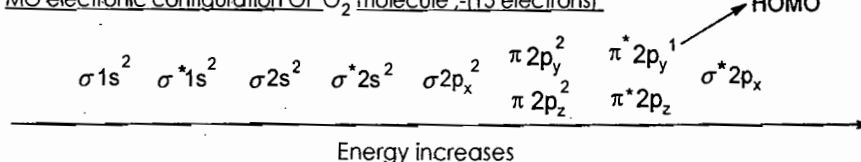
4) Ans (d):- The reason for the chemical inertness of gaseous nitrogen at room temperature is best given by its high bond energy and HOMO-LUMO gap. Bond order of  $N_2$  molecule is three. Bond order & bond energy are directly related.

5) Ans (a):- The highest occupied MO in  $N_2$  and  $O_2^+$  respectively are  $\sigma 2p_x$ ,  $\pi^* 2p_y$

MO electronic configuration Of  $N_2$  molecule:- (14 electrons)



MO electronic configuration Of  $O_2^+$  molecule :- (15 electrons)



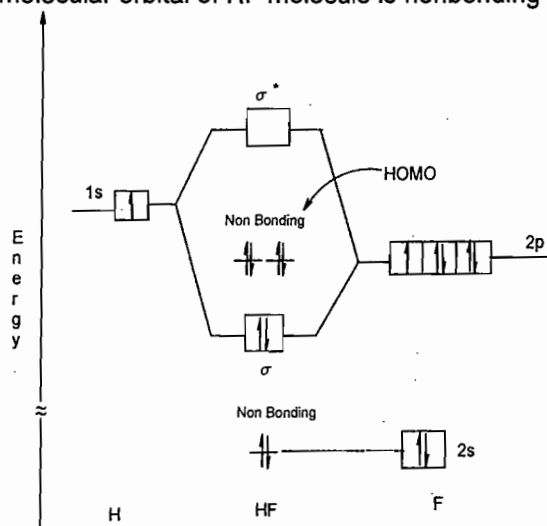
6) Ans (d):- Use MO diagram:-

| Molecule/ion | Total electrons | Nb. electrons | Na. electrons | bond order | Magnetic properties |
|--------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|------------|---------------------|
| $O_2^-$      | 17              | 10            | 7             | 1.5        | paramagnetic        |
| $O_2$        | 16              | 10            | 6             | 2          | paramagnetic        |
| $O_2^+$      | 15              | 10            | 5             | 2.5        | paramagnetic        |
| $O_2^{-2}$   | 18              | 10            | 8             | 1          | diamagnetic         |

7) Ans (d):- For a homonuclear diatomic molecule, the bonding molecular orbital is  $\pi_u$  of lowest energy

| Molecular orbital                                   |
|---|
| $\sigma_u$ of lowest energy = Antibonding MO        |
| $\sigma_u$ of second lowest energy = Antibonding MO |
| $\pi_g$ of lowest energy = Antibonding MO           |
| $\pi_u$ of lowest energy = bonding MO               |

8) Ans (d):- The highest occupied molecular orbital of HF molecule is nonbonding



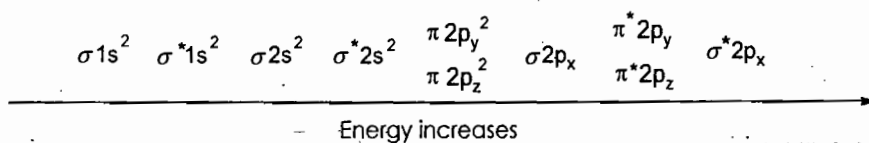
9) Ans (c):-The bond order of  $C_2$  molecule is 2.

The term bond order, (B) gives us number of bonds between two atoms & is a measure of the net number of electron pairs used in bonding & is given by equation:-

$$B = \frac{1}{2} N_b - N_a$$

Where  $N_b$  is number of electrons in bonding molecular orbital &  $N_a$  is number of electrons in antibonding molecular orbital.

MO electronic configuration of  $C_2$  molecule :- (12 electrons)



$$\text{Bond order of } C_2 \text{ molecule} = \frac{1}{2} (N_b - N_a) = \frac{1}{2} (8 - 4) = 2$$

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## Topic 4

# s AND p-BLOCK ELEMENTS

### Questions with two marks

1) The correct order of stability of difluorides is

[June 2011]

- (a)  $\text{GeF}_2 > \text{SiF}_2 > \text{CF}_2$                       (b)  $\text{CF}_2 > \text{SiF}_2 > \text{GeF}_2$   
 (c)  $\text{SiF}_2 > \text{GeF}_2 > \text{CF}_2$                       (d)  $\text{CF}_2 > \text{GeF}_2 > \text{SiF}_2$

2) Lewis acidity of  $\text{BCl}_3$ ,  $\text{BPh}_3$  and  $\text{BMe}_3$  with respect to pyridine follows the order

[DEC 2011]

- (a)  $\text{BCl}_3 > \text{BPh}_3 > \text{BMe}_3$                       (b)  $\text{BMe}_3 > \text{BPh}_3 > \text{BCl}_3$   
 (c)  $\text{BPh}_3 > \text{BMe}_3 > \text{BCl}_3$                       (d)  $\text{BCl}_3 > \text{BMe}_3 > \text{BPh}_3$

3) The material that exhibits the highest electrical conductivity among the following sulfur-nitrogen compounds is

[DEC 2011]

- (a)  $\text{S}_4\text{N}_4$                       (b)  $\text{S}_7\text{NH}$                       (c)  $\text{S}_2\text{N}_2$                       (d)  $(\text{SN})_x$

4) Among the following pairs

[DEC 2011]

- (1) oxygen-sulfur                      (2) nitrogen-phosphorus  
 (3) phosphorus arsenic                      (4) chlorine-iodine

Those in which the first ionization energies differ by more than  $300\text{kJ mole}^{-1}$

- (a) (1) and (3) only    (b) (1) and (2) only    (c) (2) and (3) only                      (d) (3) and (4) only

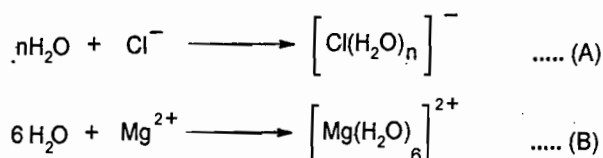
5) The size of the d orbitals in Si, P, S and Cl follows the order.

[June 2012]

- (a)  $\text{Cl} > \text{S} > \text{P} > \text{Si}$                       (b)  $\text{Cl} > \text{P} > \text{S} > \text{Si}$                       (c)  $\text{P} > \text{S} > \text{Si} > \text{Cl}$                       (d)  $\text{Si} > \text{P} > \text{S} > \text{Cl}$

6) In the reactions (A) and (B),

[June 2012]



water behaves as

- (a) An acid in both (A) and (B)                      (b) An acid in (A) and a base in (B)  
 (c) A base in (A) an acid in (B)                      (d) A base in both (A) and (B)

7) The electronegativity differences is the highest for the pair

[Dec 2012]

- (a) Li, Cl                      (b) K, F                      (c) Na, Cl                      (d) Li, F

8) Which of the following pairs has the highest difference in their first ionization energy?

[June 2013]

- (a) Xe, Cs                      (b) Kr, Rb                      (c) Ar, K                      (d) Ne, Na

9) Among the compounds A-D, those which hydrolyse easily are -

[June 2013]

- (A)  $\text{NCl}_3$     (B)  $\text{NF}_3$     (C)  $\text{BiCl}_3$     (D)  $\text{PCl}_3$ .

- (a) A and B only    (b) A, C and D only    (c) B, C and D only    (d) A, B and C only

10) Among the molten alkali metals, the example of an immiscible pair (in all proportions) is

[Dec 2013]

- (a) K and Na                      (b) K and Cs                      (c) Li and Cs                      (d) Rb and Cs



Among the following, an example of a hypervalent species is

[Dec 2013]

- (a)  $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$       (b)  $\text{SF}_4$       (c)  $[\text{PF}_6]^-$       (d)  $\text{Sb}_2\text{S}_3$

Treatment of  $\text{ClF}_3$  with  $\text{SbF}_5$  leads to the formation of a/an

[Dec 2013]

- (a) polymeric material      (b) covalent cluster  
(c) ionic compound      (d) lewis acid-base adduct

When Si is doped with a group V element.

[June 2014]

- (a) donor levels are created close to the valence band  
(b) donor levels are created close to the conduction band  
(c) acceptor levels are created close to the valence band  
(d) acceptor levels are created close to the conduction band

The pair of solvents in which  $\text{PCl}_5$  does NOT ionize, is

[June 2014]

- (a)  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{NO}_2$       (b)  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ ,  $\text{CCl}_4$       (c)  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ ,  $\text{CCl}_4$       (d)  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ ,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$

Questions with four marks

Alkali metal superoxides are obtained by the reaction of

[June 2011]

- (a) Oxygen with alkali metals in liquid ammonia.      (b) Water with alkali metals in liquid ammonia  
(c)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  with alkali metals.      (d)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  with alkali metals in liquid ammonia.

The strength of  $p_\pi-d_\pi$  bonding in  $\text{E}-\text{O}$  ( $\text{E} = \text{Si}, \text{P}, \text{S}$  and  $\text{C}$ ) follows the order [June 2012]

- (a)  $\text{Si}-\text{O} > \text{P}-\text{O} > \text{S}-\text{O} > \text{Cl}-\text{O}$       (b)  $\text{P}-\text{O} > \text{Si}-\text{O} > \text{S}-\text{O} > \text{Cl}-\text{O}$   
(c)  $\text{S}-\text{O} > \text{Cl}-\text{O} > \text{P}-\text{O} > \text{Si}-\text{O}$       (d)  $\text{Cl}-\text{O} > \text{S}-\text{O} > \text{P}-\text{O} > \text{Si}-\text{O}$

Among the halides,  $\text{NCl}_3$  (A),  $\text{PCl}_3$  (B) and  $\text{AsCl}_3$  (C), those which produce two different acids on hydrolysis are [June 2012]

- (a) A and B      (b) A and C      (c) B and C      (d) A, B and C

Match each item from the List-I (compound in solvent) with that from the List-II (its behavior) and select the correct combination using the codes given below.

[Dec 2012]

List-I

List-II

1.  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  in pyridine  
2.  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  in  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$   
3.  $\text{HClO}_4$  in  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$   
4.  $\text{SbF}_5$  in  $\text{HF}$

- (i) strong acid.  
(ii) weak acid  
(iii) strong base  
(iv) weak base

- (a) (A-i), (B-ii), (C-iii), (D-iv)  
(b) (A-ii), (B-i), (C-iii), (D-iv)

- (c) (A-iii), (B-iv), (C-ii), (D-i)  
(d) (A-iv), (B-ii), (C-iii), (D-i)

Boric acid is a weak acid in aqueous solution. But its acidity increases significantly in the presence of ethylene glycol, because

[Dec 2012]

- (a) ethylene glycol releases additional  $\text{H}^+$   
(b)  $\text{B}(\text{OH})_4^-$  is consumed in forming a compound with ethylene glycol.  
(c) ethylene glycol neutralizes  $\text{H}^+$  released by boric acid.  
(d) Boric acid dissociates better in the mixed-solvent.

The compound that will behave as an acid in  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  is

[June 2013]

- (a)  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$       (b)  $\text{HNO}_3$       (c)  $\text{HClO}_4$       (d)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$

- 21) Xenon forms several fluorides and oxofluorides which exhibit acidic behavior. The correct sequence of descending Lewis acidity among the given species is represented by [Dec 2013]  
 (a)  $\text{XeF}_6 > \text{XeOF}_4 > \text{XeF}_4 > \text{XeO}_2\text{F}_2$  (b)  $\text{XeOF}_4 > \text{XeO}_2\text{F}_2 > \text{XeOF}_4 > \text{XeF}_6$   
 (c)  $\text{XeF}_4 > \text{XeO}_2\text{F}_2 > \text{XeOF}_4 > \text{XeF}_6$  (d)  $\text{XeF}_4 > \text{XeF}_6 > \text{XeOF}_4 > \text{XeO}_2\text{F}_2$

- 22) The correct order of decreasing electronegativity of the following atoms is [June 2014]  
 (a)  $\text{As} > \text{Al} > \text{Ca} > \text{S}$  (b)  $\text{S} > \text{As} > \text{Al} > \text{Ca}$  (c)  $\text{Al} > \text{Ca} > \text{S} > \text{As}$  (d)  $\text{S} > \text{Ca} > \text{As} > \text{Al}$

- 23) The correct order of the size of  $\text{S}$ ,  $\text{S}^{2-}$ ,  $\text{S}^{2+}$  and  $\text{S}^{4+}$  species is [June 2014]  
 (a)  $\text{S} > \text{S}^{2+} > \text{S}^{4+} > \text{S}^{2-}$  (b)  $\text{S}^{2+} > \text{S}^{4+} > \text{S}^{2-} > \text{S}$   
 (c)  $\text{S}^{2-} > \text{S} > \text{S}^{2+} > \text{S}^{4+}$  (d)  $\text{S}^{4+} > \text{S}^{2-} > \text{S} > \text{S}^{2+}$

**(Questions from GATE EXAM)**

**Questions with ONE OR TWO marks**

- 24) The number of hydroxy (OH) groups present in phosphorus acid is (GATE 2005)  
 (a) one (b) two (c) three (d) four

- 25) Among the following, the incorrect statement about SiC is that (GATE 2005)  
 (a) it is known as corundum  
 (b) it is prepared by reducing quartz with a slight excess of coke in an electric furnace at 2000-2500°C  
 (c) pure SiC is almost colourless or pale yellow  
 (d) its hardness is slightly less than diamond

- 26) The incorrect statement for solid sodium chloride is that (GATE 2005)  
 (a) both sodium and chloride ions adopt inert gas configuration  
 (b) the conduction band is full  
 (c) the conduction band is empty  
 (d) the valence band is full

- 27) The series with correct order of decreasing ionic size is (GATE 2006)  
 (a)  $\text{K}^+ > \text{Ca}^{+2} > \text{S}^{2-} > \text{Cl}^-$  (b)  $\text{S}^{2-} > \text{Cl}^- > \text{K}^+ > \text{Ca}^{+2}$   
 (c)  $\text{K}^+ > \text{Cl}^- > \text{Ca}^{+2} > \text{S}^{2-}$  (d)  $\text{Cl}^- > \text{K}^+ > \text{S}^{2-} > \text{Ca}^{+2}$

- 28) When  $\text{Al}_4\text{C}_3$  and  $\text{Mg}_2\text{C}_3$  reacts with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , then major products formed respectively, are (GATE 2006)  
 (a) ethyne and ethane (b) methane and propyne  
 (c) propane and propene (d) methane and propene

- 29) The Lewis acid character of  $\text{BF}_3$ ,  $\text{BCl}_3$  and  $\text{BBr}_3$  follows the order (GATE 2007)  
 (a)  $\text{BF}_3 < \text{BBr}_3 < \text{BCl}_3$  (b)  $\text{BCl}_3 < \text{BBr}_3 < \text{BF}_3$   
 (c)  $\text{BF}_3 < \text{BCl}_3 < \text{BBr}_3$  (d)  $\text{BBr}_3 < \text{BCl}_3 < \text{BF}_3$

- 30) The coordination number of the  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$  ions in barium fluoride is 8. The coordination number of the fluoride ion is (GATE 2009)  
 (a) 8 (b) 4 (c) 1 (d) 2

- 31) Among the following, the isoelectronic and isostructural pair is (GATE 2009)  
 (a)  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{SO}_2^-$  (b)  $\text{SO}_3$  and  $\text{SeO}_3$   
 (c)  $\text{NO}_2^+$  and  $\text{TeO}_2$  (d)  $\text{SiO}_4^{4-}$  and  $\text{PO}_4^{3-}$



**Statement for Linked Answer Questions 41 and 42:**

Heating a mixture of ammonium chloride and sodium tetrahydridoborate gives one liquid product(X), along with other products, under ambient conditions. [GATE 2013]

41) Compound X is

- (a)  $\text{NH}_4[\text{BH}_4]$  (b)  $[(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{BH}_2][\text{BH}_4]$  (c)  $\text{N}_3\text{B}_3\text{H}_6$  (d)  $\text{N}_3\text{B}_3\text{H}_{12}$

42) Compound X in above reaction is an example of [GATE 2013]

- (a) ionic liquid (b) saturated heterocycle (c) molecular cage (d) unsaturated heterocycle

43) The number of S-S bonds in  $\text{H}_2\text{S}_5\text{O}_6$  is [GATE 2014]

- (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5

44) The  $\text{BCl}_3$  and  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  were heated at  $140^\circ\text{C}$  to give a compound X, which when treated with  $\text{NaBH}_4$  gave another compound Y. Compound X and Y are [GATE 2014]

- (a)  $\text{X} = \text{B}_3\text{N}_3\text{H}_3\text{Cl}_3$  and  $\text{Y} = \text{B}_3\text{N}_3\text{H}_6$  (b)  $\text{X} = \text{B}_3\text{N}_3\text{H}_9\text{Cl}_3$  and  $\text{Y} = \text{B}_3\text{N}_3\text{H}_6$   
 (c)  $\text{X} = \text{B}_3\text{N}_3\text{H}_9\text{Cl}_3$  and  $\text{Y} = \text{B}_3\text{N}_3\text{H}_{12}$  (d)  $\text{X} = \text{B}_3\text{N}_3\text{Cl}_6$  and  $\text{Y} = \text{B}_3\text{N}_3\text{H}_6$

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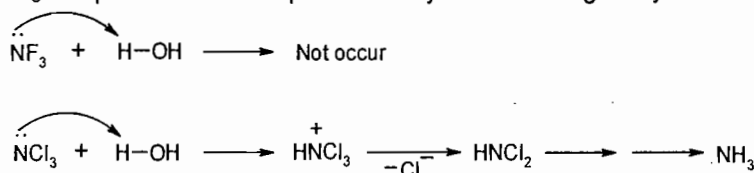
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**Hint & solution**

- 1) **Ans (a):**- Hint:- Inert pair effect (As we move down the group there is a reluctance of  $ns$  electrons to participate in bond formation) Therefore +2 state stability will be in the order:-  $\text{Ge} > \text{Si} > \text{C}$ . Therefore the correct order of stability of difluorides is therefore  $\text{GeF}_2 > \text{SiF}_2 > \text{CF}_2$
- 2) **Ans (b):**- Lewis acidity of  $\text{BCl}_3$ ,  $\text{BPh}_3$  and  $\text{BMe}_3$  with respect to pyridine follows the order: -  $\text{BMe}_3 > \text{BPh}_3 > \text{BCl}_3$ . Among  $\text{BCl}_3$ ,  $\text{BMe}_3$  &  $\text{BPh}_3$ ;  $\text{BCl}_3$  is weak Lewis acidic due  $2p(\text{B})-3p(\text{Cl})$   $\pi$  back bonding. Among  $\text{BMe}_3$ , and  $\text{BPh}_3$ ;  $\text{BMe}_3$  is strong Lewis acid with respect to pyridine due to steric factor in  $\text{BPh}_3$ .
- 3) **Ans (d):**- Sulfur forms a variety of covalent binary nitrides, but the two most interesting ones are tetrasulfur & tetranitride  $\text{S}_4\text{N}_4$ , and disulfur dinitride,  $\text{S}_2\text{N}_2$ , because they are precursors to an unusual polymer called polythiazyl,  $(\text{SN})_x$ . This polymeric sulfur nitride is unusual because, even though it is composed solely of two nonmetals, it exhibits some properties normally associated only with metals like electrical and thermal conductivity & It becomes a superconductor at 0.26 kelvin
- 4) **Ans (b):**- In case of oxygen-sulfur & nitrogen -phosphorus; the first ionization energies differ by more than  $300\text{kJmole}^{-1}$ . Because compared with the rest of Group; first element has the smaller size & highest electronegativity which makes it the most nonmetallic in the group & hence first ionization energy is always more compared with the rest of group & therefore ionization energies difference is more.

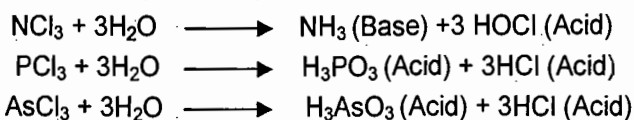
- 5) **Ans (d)**:- Hint:-The size of the s, p and d orbitals generally decreases with decrease in size of an element. And as we know in periods, the atomic radius decreases across the period from left to right, Therefore order of the size of d orbitals is  $Si > P > S > Cl$ .
- 6) **Ans (b)**:- Water behaves as an acid with negatively charged species (as water donate  $H^+$ ) & base with positively charged species (as water acts as electron pair donor to metal cation)
- 7) **Ans (b)**:- Among metal, order of electronegativity is  $Li > Na > K$  & among halide order of electronegativity is  $F > Cl$ . Therefore an electronegativity difference is the highest for the K and F.
- 8) **Ans (d)**:- Order of size of alkali metal is  $Na < K < Rb < Cs$  & first ionization energy is  $Na > K > Rb > Cs$  while that of Nobel gases; order of size is  $Ne < Ar < Kr < Xe$  & first ionization energy is  $Ne > Ar > Kr > Xe$ . Difference in first ionization energy between alkali metal & nobel gases of same period is decreases top to bottom. Thus the Na, Ne pairs has the highest difference in their first ionization energy.
- 9) **Ans (b)**:- Among  $NCl_3$ ,  $NF_3$ ,  $BiCl_3$  &  $PCl_3$ ;  $NF_3$  do not undergo hydrolyse because in  $NF_3$  fluorine is more electronegative so attack on proton by lone of nitrogen is not possible due to decrease in basisty & polarity factor while in case of  $NCl_3$  it is possible due despite similarity of electronegativity of both Cl & N



$BiCl_3$  rapidly undergoes hydrolysis reaction due to incomplete octet &  $PCl_3$  also undergo hydrolysis because it acts as electron pair acceptor due to availability of d orbital in P

- 10) **Ans (c)**:- Due to the small size; the first members in each group displays an anomalous behavior when compared to the rest of the family members. Similarly due to the very small size of lithium in the group; lithium displays an anomalous behavior when compared to sodium and rest of the family members of the alkali metal family e.g. Li is miscible with Na only and immiscible with K, Rb & Cs, whereas all other pairs of alkali metals are miscible with each other.
- 11) **Ans (c)**:- A hypervalent molecule (expanded octet) is a molecule that contains one or more main group elements with more than eight-electrons in their valence shells e.g.  $[PF_6]^-$
- 12) **Ans (d)**:-  $BF_3$ ,  $AsF_5$  and  $SbF_5$  are the  $F^-$  acceptor & readily form the anions  $[BF_4]^-$ ,  $[AsF_6]^-$  and  $[SbF_6]^-$  respectively, due to great affinity towards  $F^-$  & it leads to the formation of a lewis acid-base adduct
- $$ClF_3 + SbF_5 \rightarrow [ClF_2]^+ + [SbF_6]^-$$
- 13) **Ans (b)**:- When Si is doped with a group V element element like P or As, which contains five valence electrons, donor levels are created close to the conduction band & result in increase in conductivity.
- 14) **Ans (c)**:- Ionization is not possible in non-polar solvent i.e. in benzene & carbon tetra chloride.
- 15) **Ans (a)**:- When the alkali metals (K, Rb and Cs) dissolve in liquid ammonia & if the solution is heated in an excess of air or in  $O_2$ , it gives electron & the result in superoxides. ( $KO_2$ ,  $RbO_2$  and  $CsO_2$ ). In short one of the electron is lose by alkali metals & gain by the oxygen.
- 16) **Ans (d)**:- As the size increases, strength of  $p_\pi-d_\pi$  bonding decreases because inter nuclear distance between two atoms increases & strength of  $\pi$  bond decreases due to poor overlap as  $\pi$  bond is formed by side by side overlap. As increasing order of size is  $Si > P > S > Cl$  & therefore order of strength of  $p_\pi-d_\pi$  bonding is  $Cl-O > S-O > P-O > Si-O$

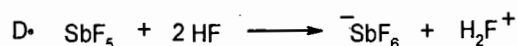
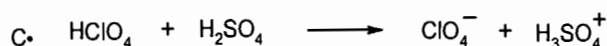
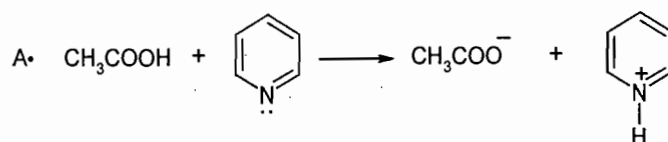
17) Ans (c):-  $\text{PCl}_3$  and  $\text{AsCl}_3$ , produce two different acids upon hydrolysis.



Now question arise why  $\text{NCl}_3$  produce  $\text{NH}_3$  (Base) upon hydrolysis while  $\text{PCl}_3$  &  $\text{AsCl}_3$  produce  $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_3$  (Acid) &  $\text{H}_3\text{AsO}_3$  (Acid) respectively upon hydrolysis. It is due to the fact that  $\text{NCl}_3$  acts as electron pair donor due to unavailability of d orbital in nitrogen whereas  $\text{PCl}_3$  &  $\text{AsCl}_3$  acts as electron pair acceptor due to availability of d orbital, (refer answer of question :no. 9)

18) Ans (c):- The correct combination is:-

| List-I  | List-II     |
|---|-------------|
| $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ in pyridine                | strong base |
| $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ in $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ | weak base   |
| $\text{HClO}_4$ in $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$          | weak acid   |
| $\text{SbF}_5$ in HF                                | strong acid |



19) Ans (b):- In aqueous solution, Boric acid  $\text{B}(\text{OH})_3$  form  $\text{BO}_4^{-4}$  & is consumed in forming a compound with ethylene glycol by simple condensation reaction & therefore rejoining of  $\text{BO}_4^{-4}$  with  $\text{H}^+$  ion is not possible. Therefore acidity of boric acid increases significantly in the presence of ethylene glycol.

20) Ans (c):-  $\text{HClO}_4$  is a stronger acid than  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  & will behave as an acid in  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ .

Hint: - Resonance stabilization of  $\text{ClO}_4^-$  (conjugate base of  $\text{HClO}_4$ ) is more than  $\text{HSO}_4^-$  (conjugate base of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ ) so  $\text{HClO}_4$  act as a stronger acid than  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$

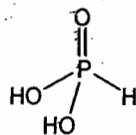
21) Ans (a):- Lewis acidity of a xenon fluorides and xenon oxofluorides depends upon the number of fluorine & oxidation number of Xe. Lewis acidity of a xenon fluorides and xenon oxofluorides increases with increase in the number of fluorine & higher oxidation state of Xe. So the general order of Lewis acidity of xenon fluorides and xenon oxofluorides is  $\text{XeF}_6 > \text{XeO}_2\text{F}_4 > \text{XeO}_3\text{F}_2 > \text{XeO}_4 > \text{XeOF}_4 > \text{XeF}_4 > \text{XeO}_2\text{F}_2 > \text{XeO}_3 > \text{XeF}_2$

22) Ans (b):- The correct order of decreasing electronegativity is:-  $\text{S}(2.58) > \text{As}(2.18) > \text{Al}(1.61) > \text{Ca}(1)$ .  
In periodic table electronegativity increases from left to right in period & decreases top to bottom in group.

23) Ans (c):- The correct order of the size of  $\text{S}^{-2} > \text{S} > \text{S}^{+2} > \text{S}^{+4}$ .

General order of size:- Anionic species > Neutral atom > Cation species

24) Ans (b):- The number of hydroxy (OH) groups present in phosphorous acid is two



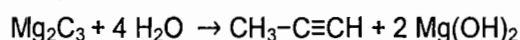
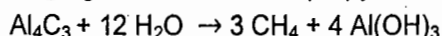
Phosphorous acid

25) Ans (a):- Silicon carbide (SiC), is also known as carborundum while  $Al_2O_3$  is known as corundum.

26) Ans (b):- Na (Z = 11) gives up its outermost shell electron to Cl (Z=17) atom, thus the crystal is made up of ions with the electronic structures of the inert atoms Ne and Ar. In NaCl the valence band is completely filled, and the conduction band is completely empty.

27) Ans (b):- The series with correct order of decreasing ionic size is  $S^{-2} > Cl^{-} > K^{+} > Ca^{+2}$   
 General order of size:- Anionic species > Neutral atom > Cation species

28) Ans (b):-  $Al_4C_3$  and  $Mg_2C_3$  reacts with  $H_2O$  gives methane and propyne respectively:-



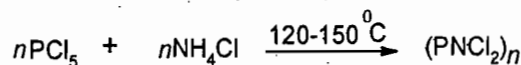
29) Ans (c):- The Lewis acidity  $BF_3$  is less than  $BCl_3$  because of stronger  $2p(B)-2p(F)$   $\pi$  back bonding in case of  $BF_3$  which is not effective in case of  $BCl_3$  due to weaker  $2p(B)-3p(Cl)$   $\pi$  back bonding and this  $\pi$  back bonding become worse in case of  $BBr_3$ ; due to poorer  $2p(B)-4p(Br)$   $\pi$  back bonding. Therefore Lewis acidity order is  $BF_3 < BCl_3 < BBr_3 < BI_3$

30) Ans (b):-  $BaF_2$  crystallize with the fluorite structure. Coordination number of  $F^{-}$  is 4 (tetrahedral)

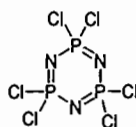
31) Ans (d):- Among all  $SiO_4^{-4}$  &  $PO_4^{-3}$  is the isoelectronic and isostructural pair

| Pair | Molecular/ion | Total electrons | Structure according to VSEPR |
|------|---------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| (a)  | $CO_2$        | 22              | linear                       |
|      | $SO_2$        | 32              | Bent or V shaped             |
| (b)  | $SO_3$        | 40              | trigonal planar              |
|      | $SeO_3$       | 58              | trigonal planar              |
| (c)  | $NO_2^{-}$    | 24              | bent or V shaped             |
|      | $TeO_2$       | 68              | bent or V shaped             |
| (d)  | $SiO_4^{-4}$  | 50              | tetrahedral                  |
|      | $PO_4^{-3}$   | 50              | tetrahedral                  |

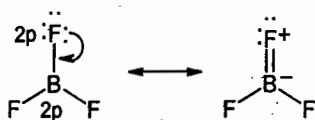
32) Ans (c):- The reactants X and Y are  $PCl_5$ ;  $NH_4Cl$  respectively.



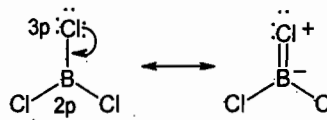
33) Ans (d):- The structure of triphosphazene is



34) Ans (b):- The Lewis acidity of  $BF_3$  is less than  $BCl_3$  because of stronger  $2p(B)-2p(F)$   $\pi$  back bonding in case of  $BF_3$  which is not effective in case of  $BCl_3$  due to weaker  $2p(B)-3p(Cl)$   $\pi$  back bonding.



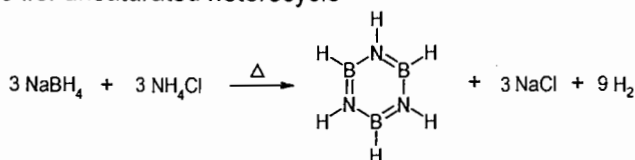
back bonding is more effective



back bonding is less effective

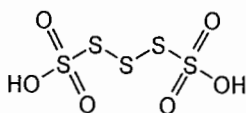
35) Ans (b):- Inert pair effect (As we move down the group there is a reluctance of  $ns$  electrons to participate in bond formation). Therefore +5 state is not stable for Bi

- 36) **Ans (c):**- Filled 3s and empty 3p orbital of the Mg are very close & so result in overlapping bands due to this Mg is acts as conductor. Similarly Na & Al also acts as conductor due to the same reason.
- 37) **Ans (a):**- The band structure in an n-type semiconductor is I
- 38) **Ans (c):**- Among all SF<sub>6</sub>, Al<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>6</sub> doesn't undergo hydrolysis. In SF<sub>6</sub>, S is in high oxidation state (VI) & as F is bad leaving group) nucleophilic attack of water is not possible while Al<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>6</sub> is dimeric structure therefore doesn't undergo hydrolysis. In case of BCl<sub>3</sub>, SiCl<sub>4</sub> & PCl<sub>5</sub> water can attack on central atom & undergoes rapid hydrolysis
- 39) **Ans (c):**-The reaction of solid XeF<sub>2</sub> with AsF<sub>5</sub> in 1: 1 ratio affords [XeF]<sup>+</sup> [AsF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>-</sup>  
Hint:- BF<sub>3</sub>, AsF<sub>5</sub> and SbF<sub>5</sub> are the F<sup>-</sup> acceptor & readily form the anions [BF<sub>4</sub>]<sup>-</sup>, [AsF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>-</sup> and [SbF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>-</sup> respectively, due to great affinity towards F<sup>-</sup> & it leads to the formation of a lewis acid-base adduct
- 40) **Ans (a):**-Among 4-methylpyridine (A), 2,6-dimethylpyridine(B) & 4-nitropyridine (C) 2,6-di-*tert*-butylpyridine(D); (A) will form stable adduct because (C) will act as weak Lewis base due to electron withdrawing nitro group while in case of (B) & (D) it leads to steric crowding in adduct.
- 41) **Ans (c):**- Heating a mixture of ammonium chloride and sodium tetrahydridoborate gives borazine (N<sub>3</sub>B<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub>) known as inorganic benzene i.e. unsaturated heterocycle

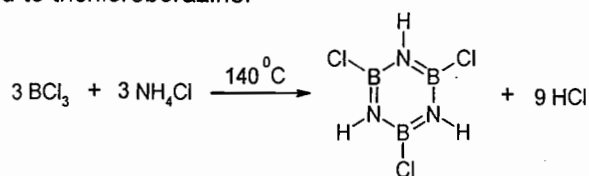


42) **Ans (d):**- unsaturated heterocycle

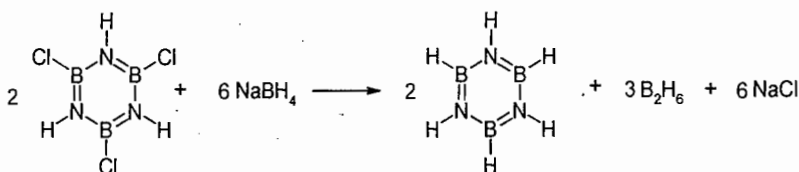
43) **Ans (c):**- There are four S-S bonds in H<sub>2</sub>S<sub>5</sub>O<sub>6</sub>



44) **Ans (a):**- BCl<sub>3</sub> is first converted to trichloroborazine:



The B-Cl bonds are subsequently reduced to B-H bonds by NaBH<sub>4</sub>:



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## Topic 5

# TRANSITION/INNER-TRANSITION ELEMENTS

### Questions with two marks

- 1) According to crystal field theory,  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$  can have two unpaired electrons in [June 2011]  
 (a) Both octahedral and tetrahedral geometry (b) Square-planar geometry only  
 (c) Tetrahedral geometry only (d) Octahedral geometry only
- 2)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$  and  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$  complex ions are [June 2011]  
 (a) Both diamagnetic (b) Both paramagnetic  
 (c) Diamagnetic and paramagnetic respectively (d) Antiferromagnetic and diamagnetic respectively
- 3) Which of the following compounds show a charge-transfer band? [June 2011]  
 (a) Lanthanum nitrate (b) Ceric ammonium nitrate  
 (c) Manganese (II) acetate (d) Copper (II) sulphate pentahydrate
- 4) The number of possible isomers for  $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  is (where bpy = 2,2'-bipyridine) [June 2011]  
 (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5
- 5) The ligand system present in vitamin  $\text{B}_{12}$  is [June 2011]  
 (a) Porphyrin (b) Corrin (c) Phthalocyanine (d) Crown ether
- 6) The actual magnetic moment shows a large deviation from the spin-only formula in the case of [Dec 2011]  
 (a)  $\text{Ti}^{3+}$  (b)  $\text{V}^{3+}$  (c)  $\text{Gd}^{3+}$  (d)  $\text{Sm}^{3+}$
- 7) The complex that absorbs light of shortest wavelength is [Dec 2011]  
 (a)  $[\text{CoF}_6]^{3-}$  (b)  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$  (c)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$  (d)  $[\text{Co}(\text{OX})_3]^{3-}$  (OX =  $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$ )
- 8) Green coloured  $\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_2\text{Et})_2\text{Br}_2$  has a magnetic moment of 3.20 B.M. The geometry and the number of isomers possible for the complex respectively, are [Dec 2011]  
 (a) square planar and one (b) tetrahedral and one  
 (c) square planar and two (d) tetrahedral and two
- 9) Uranium fluorides co-precipitate with [Dec 2011]  
 (a)  $\text{CaF}_2$  (b)  $\text{AgF}$  (c)  $\text{LiF}$  (d)  $\text{MgF}_2$
- 10) As a ligand  $\text{Cl}^-$  [June 2012]  
 (a) Only  $\sigma$ -donor (b) Only  $\pi$ -donor (c) Both  $\sigma$ - &  $\pi$ -donor (d) A  $\sigma$ -donor & a  $\pi$ -acceptor
- 11) The correct d-electron configuration showing spin-orbit coupling is [June 2012]  
 (a)  $t_{2g}^6 e_g^2$  (b)  $t_{2g}^6 e_g^0$  (c)  $t_{2g}^4 e_g^0$  (d)  $t_{2g}^3 e_g^2$
- 12) Among the following the strongest oxidizing agent is [June 2012]  
 (a)  $[\text{WO}_4]^{2-}$  (b)  $[\text{CrO}_4]^{2-}$  (c)  $[\text{MoO}_4]^{2-}$  (d)  $[\text{ReO}_4]^{-1}$

- 13) The least basic among the following is [June 2012]  
 (a)  $\text{Al}(\text{OH})_3$  (b)  $\text{La}(\text{OH})_3$  (c)  $\text{Ce}(\text{OH})_3$  (d)  $\text{Lu}(\text{OH})_3$
- 14) Which one of the following shows the highest solubility in hot concentrated aqueous NaOH? [Dec 2012]  
 (a)  $\text{La}(\text{OH})_3$  (b)  $\text{Nd}(\text{OH})_3$  (c)  $\text{Sm}(\text{OH})_3$  (d)  $\text{Lu}(\text{OH})_3$
- 15) The light pink color of  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  and the deep blue color of  $[\text{CoCl}_4]^{2-}$  are due to [Dec 2012]  
 (a) MLCT transition in the first and d-d transition in the second (b) LMCT transition in both  
 (c) d-d transition in the first and MLCT transition in the second. (d) d-d transitions in both.
- 16) The number of possible isomers of  $[\text{Ru}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{acac})_2]$  (acac = acetylacetonate) is [Dec 2012]  
 (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5
- 17) Among the following, the correct acid strength trend is represented by [Dec 2013]  
 (a)  $[\text{Al}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} < [\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} < [\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  (b)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} < [\text{Al}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} < [\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$   
 (c)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+} < [\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} < [\text{Al}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$  (d)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+} < [\text{Al}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} < [\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$
- 18) An octahedral metal ion  $\text{M}^{2+}$  has magnetic moment of 4.0 B.M. The correct combination of metal ion and d- electron configuration is given by [Dec 2013]  
 (a)  $\text{Co}^{2+}, t_{2g}^5 e_g^2$  (b)  $\text{Cr}^{2+}, t_{2g}^4 e_g^2$  (c)  $\text{Mn}^{2+}, t_{2g}^3 e_g^1$  (d)  $\text{Fe}^{2+}, t_{2g}^4 e_g^2$

#### Questions with four marks

- 19) Among the following statements, identify the correct ones for complexes of lanthanide(III) ion [June 2011]  
 (A) Metal-ligand bond is significantly ionic.  
 (B) Complexes rarely show isomerism.  
 (C) The coordination number is not more than 8.  
 (D) The magnetic moments are not accounted even approximately by spin only value for majority of lanthanides.  
 (a) A, B and D only (b) A, B and C only (c) B and C only (d) A and D only.
- 20) The correct order of LMCT energies is [June 2011]  
 (a)  $\text{MnO}_4^- > \text{CrO}_4^{2-} > \text{VO}_4^{3-}$  (b)  $\text{MnO}_4^- < \text{CrO}_4^{2-} < \text{VO}_4^{3-}$   
 (c)  $\text{MnO}_4^- > \text{CrO}_4^{2-} < \text{VO}_4^{3-}$  (d)  $\text{MnO}_4^- < \text{CrO}_4^{2-} > \text{VO}_4^{3-}$
- 21) The complex  $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  has very light pink color. The best reason for it is [June 2011]  
 (a) The complex does not have a charge transfer transition.  
 (b) d-d transitions here are orbital forbidden but spin allowed.  
 (c) d-d transitions here are orbital allowed but spin forbidden.  
 (d) d-d transitions here are both orbital forbidden and spin forbidden.
- 22) Statement I: The sizes of Zr and Hf are similar  
 Statement II: Size of Hf is affected by lanthanide contraction. [June 2011]  
 (a) Statement I and II are correct and II is correct explanation of I.  
 (b) Statement I and II are correct but II is not a correct explanation of I.  
 (c) Statement I is correct and II is incorrect  
 (d) Statements I and II both are incorrect.

- 23) For the given complexes (A), (B), (C) & (D) the ideal octahedral geometry will not be observed in [June 2011]
- (A)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$       (B)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$       (C)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$       (D)  $[\text{Ti}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$   
 (a) (A) and (D)      (b) (C) and (D)      (c) (B) only      (d) (D) only
- 24) The electronic configuration for gadolinium (Gd) is  $[\text{Xe}] 4f^7 5d^1 6s^2$  where as that of  $\text{Gd}^{2+}$  is [June 2011]
- (a)  $[\text{Xe}] 4f^5 5d 6s^2$       (b)  $[\text{Xe}] 4f^6 6s^2$       (c)  $[\text{Xe}] 4f^6 5d^1 6s^1$       (d)  $[\text{Xe}] 4f^7 5d^1$
- 25)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  reduces [June 2011]
- (A)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$       (B)  $\text{KIO}_4$       (C)  $\text{Ce}(\text{SO}_4)_2$       (D)  $\text{SO}_3^{2-}$   
 (a) A and B only      (b) B and C only      (c) C and D only      (d) B and D only
- 26) The electronic spectrum of  $[\text{CrF}_6]^{3-}$  shows three bands at  $14,900\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,  $22400\text{cm}^{-1}$  &  $34800\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The value of  $\Delta_o$  in this case is [Dec 2012]
- (a)  $5,500\text{cm}^{-1}$       (b)  $14,900\text{cm}^{-1}$       (c)  $22400\text{cm}^{-1}$       (d)  $34800\text{cm}^{-1}$
- 27) The coordination number and geometry of cerium in  $[\text{Ce}(\text{NO}_3)_6]^{2-}$  are respectively, [Dec 2011]
- (a) 6 and octahedron      (b) 6 and trigonal prism      (c) 8 and cubic      (d) 12 and icosahedron
- 28) The correct order of acidity among the following species is [Dec 2011]
- (a)  $[\text{Na}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^+ > [\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+} > [\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+} > [\text{Sc}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$   
 (b)  $[\text{Sc}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} > [\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+} > [\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+} > [\text{Na}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^+$   
 (c)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+} > [\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+} > [\text{Sc}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} > [\text{Na}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^+$   
 (d)  $[\text{Sc}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} > [\text{Na}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^+ > [\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+} > [\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$
- 29) The correct order of d-orbital splitting in a trigonal bipyramidal geometry is [Dec 2011]
- (a)  $d_{z^2} > d_{xz}, d_{yz} > d_{x^2-y^2}, d_{xy}$       (b)  $d_{xz}, d_{yz} > d_{x^2-y^2}, d_{xy} > d_{z^2}$   
 (c)  $d_{x^2-y^2}, d_{xy} > d_{z^2} > d_{xz}, d_{yz}$       (d)  $d_{z^2} > d_{x^2-y^2}, d_{xy} > d_{xz}, d_{yz}$
- 30) Statement I.  $\text{U(VI)}$  is more stable than  $\text{Nd(VI)}$ .  
 Statement II. The valence electrons in U are in 5f, 6d and 7s orbitals. [Dec 2011]
- (a) Statements I and II are correct and Statement II is correct explanation of I.  
 (b) Statements I and II are correct but Statement II is not an explanation for Statement I.  
 (c) Statement I is correct and Statement II is incorrect.  
 (d) Statements I and II both are incorrect
- 31) The pair of lanthanides with the highest third-ionization energy is [June 2012]
- (a) Eu, Gd      (b) Eu, Yb      (c) Dy, Yb      (d) Lu, Yb
- 32) The lanthanide(III) ion having the highest partition coefficient between tri-n-butylphosphate and conc.  $\text{HNO}_3$  is [June 2012]
- (a) La(III)      (b) Eu(III)      (c) Nd(III)      (d) Lu(III)
- 33) The metal complex that exhibits a triplet as well as doublet in its  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectrum is [June 2012]
- (a) *mer*- $[\text{IrCl}_3(\text{PPh}_3)_3]^+$       (b) *trans*- $[\text{IrCl}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$   
 (c) *fac*- $[\text{IrCl}_3(\text{PPh}_3)_3]^+$       (d)  $[\text{Ir}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]^+$

- 34) The correct spinel structure of  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$  is. [Dec 2012]  
 (a)  $(\text{Co}^{2+})_t(\text{Co}^{3+})_o\text{O}_4$  (b)  $(\text{Co}^{3+})_t(2\text{Co}^{2+}\text{Co}^{3+})_o\text{O}_4$   
 (c)  $(\text{Co}^{2+}\text{Co}^{3+})_t(\text{Co}^{3+})_o\text{O}_4$  (d)  $(2\text{Co}^{3+})_t(\text{Co}^{2+})_o\text{O}_4$
- 35) Consider the ions Eu(III), Gd(III), Sm(III) and Lu(III). The observed and calculated magnetic moment values are closest for the pair [Dec 2012]  
 (a) Gd(III), Lu(III) (b) Eu(III), Lu(III) (c) Sm(III), Gd(III) (d) Sm(III), Eu(III)
- 36) In the solid state, the  $\text{CuCl}_5^{3-}$  ion has two types of bonds. These are [Dec 2012]  
 (a) three long and two short (b) two long and three short  
 (c) one long and four short (d) four long and one short
- 37) Identify the order representing increasing  $\pi$ - acidity of the following ligands  $\text{C}_2\text{F}_4$ ,  $\text{NEt}_3$ , CO and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  [June 2013]  
 (a)  $\text{CO} < \text{C}_2\text{F}_4 < \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 < \text{NEt}_3$  (b)  $\text{C}_2\text{F}_4 < \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 < \text{NEt}_3 < \text{CO}$   
 (c)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4 < \text{NEt}_3 < \text{CO} < \text{C}_2\text{F}_4$  (d)  $\text{NEt}_3 < \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 < \text{C}_2\text{F}_4 < \text{CO}$
- 38) The species with highest magnetic moment (spin only value) is [June 2013]  
 (a)  $[\text{VCl}_6]^{4-}$  (b)  $[\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5]_2\text{Cr}$  (c)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NO}_2)_6]^{3-}$  (d)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{EDTA})]^{2-}$
- 39) Identify the pairs in which the covalent radii of elements are almost similar [June 2013]  
 (A) Nb, Ta (B) Mo, W (C) La, Lu (D) Sc, Y  
 (a) A and B only (b) A and C only (c) B and C only (d) A, B and C only
- 40) Consider the lanthanide(III) ions..... (A) Nd(III) (B) Gd(III) (C) Dy(III)  
 The magnetic moment closest to the spin only value is(are) for [June 2013]  
 (a) B only (b) A and B only (c) A and C only (d) B and C only
- 41) The  $\Delta_t$  of the following complexes follows the order [June 2013]  
 (A)  $[\text{CoCl}_4]^{2-}$  (B)  $[\text{CoBr}_4]^{2-}$  (C)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NCS})_4]^{2-}$   
 (a)  $\text{C} > \text{A} > \text{B}$  (b)  $\text{A} > \text{B} > \text{C}$  (c)  $\text{B} > \text{A} > \text{C}$  (d)  $\text{C} > \text{B} > \text{A}$
- 42) Identify the chiral complexes from the following [June 2013]  
 (A)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{EDTA})]^-$  (B)  $[\text{Ru}(\text{bipy})_3]^{3+}$  (C)  $[\text{PtCl}(\text{dine})]^+$   
 (a) A only (b) A and B only (c) A and C only (d) B and C only
- 43) Which of the pairs will generally result in tetrahedral coordination complexes, when ligands are  $\text{Cl}^-$  or  $\text{OH}^-$ :- (A) Be(II), Ba(II) (B) Ba(II), Co(II) (C) Co(II), Zn(II) (D) Be(II), Zn(II) [June 2013]  
 (a) A and B (b) B and C (c) C and D (d) A and D
- 44) Among the following, the correct combination of complex and its color is [Dec 2013]
- | Complex                              | Color  |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| (a) $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$  | Red    |
| (b) $[\text{CoCl}_4]^{2-}$           | Orange |
| (c) $[\text{Co}(\text{NCS})_4]^{2-}$ | Blue   |
| (d) $[\text{CoF}_4]^{2-}$            | Yellow |
- 45)  $\text{MnCr}_2\text{O}_4$  is likely to have a normal spinel structure because [Dec 2013]  
 (a)  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  will have a LFSE in the octahedral site whereas the  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  will not  
 (b) Mn is +2 oxidation state and both the Cr are in +3 oxidation state.  
 (c) Mn is +3 oxidation state and 1 Cr is in +2 and the other is in +3 state.  
 (d)  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  will have a LFSE in the octahedral site whereas the  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  ion will not.

- 46) Compounds  $K_2Ba[Cu(NO_2)_6]$  (A) and  $Cs_2Ba[Cu(NO_2)_6]$  (B) exhibit tetragonal elongation and tetragonal compression, respectively. The unpaired electron in A and B are found respectively, in orbitals, [Dec 2013]  
 (a)  $d_{z^2}$  and  $d_{x^2-y^2}$  (b)  $d_{x^2-y^2}$  and  $d_{z^2}$  (c)  $d_{x^2-y^2}$  and  $d_{x^2-y^2}$  (d)  $d_{z^2}$  and  $d_{z^2}$
- 47) The typical electronic configurations of the transition metal centre for oxidative addition are [June 2014]  
 (a)  $d^0$  and  $d^8$  (b)  $d^5$  and  $d^8$  (c)  $d^8$  and  $d^{10}$  (d)  $d^5$  and  $d^{10}$
- 48)  $NiBr_2$  reacts with  $(Et)(Ph)_2P$  at  $-78^\circ C$  in  $CS_2$  to give red compound, 'A' which upon standing at room temperature turns green to give the compound 'B' of the same formula. The measured magnetic moments of 'A' and 'B' are 0.0 & 3.2 B.M respectively. The geometry of 'A' and 'B' are [June 2014]  
 (a) Square-planar and Tetrahedral (b) Tetrahedral and Square-planar  
 (c) Square-planar and Octahedral (d) Tetrahedral and Octahedral
- 49) The maximum bond order obtained from the molecular orbitals of a transition metal dimer formed as linear combinations of d-orbitals alone is [June 2014]  
 (a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 5 (d) 6
- 50) In bis(dimethylglyoximate)nickel(II), the number of Ni-N, Ni-O & and intramolecular hydrogen bond(s) respectively, are [June 2014]  
 (a) 4, 0 and 2 (b) 2, 2 and 2 (c) 2, 2 and 0 (d) 4, 0 and 1
- 51) If L is a neutral monodentate ligand, the species  $[AgL_4]^{2+}$ ,  $[AgL_6]^{2+}$  and  $[AgL_4]^{3+}$  respectively are [June 2014]  
 (a) paramagnetic, paramagnetic and diamagnetic (b) paramagnetic, diamagnetic and paramagnetic  
 (c) diamagnetic, paramagnetic and diamagnetic (d) paramagnetic, diamagnetic and diamagnetic
- 52)  $[CoL_6]^{3+}$  is red in colour where as  $[CoL'_6]^{3+}$  is green. L and L' respectively corresponds to, [June 2014]  
 (a)  $NH_3$  and  $H_2O$  (b)  $NH_3$  and 1,10-phenanthroline  
 (c)  $H_2O$  and 1,10-phenanthroline (d)  $H_2O$  and  $NH_3$
- 53) Identify the correct statement about  $[Ni(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$  and  $[Cu(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$  [June 2014]  
 (a) All Ni-O and Cu-O bond lengths of individual species are equal  
 (b) Ni-O(equatorial) and Cu-O(equatorial) bond lengths are shorter than Ni-O(axial) and Cu-O(axial) ones respectively  
 (c) All Ni-O bond lengths are equal whereas Cu-O (equatorial) bonds are shorter than Cu-O(axial) bonds  
 (d) All Cu-O bond lengths are equal whereas Ni-O(equatorial) bonds are shorter than Ni-O(axial) bonds.
- 54) A comparison of the valence electron configuration of the elements, Sm and Eu suggests that [June 2014]  
 (a) Sm is a better one electron reductant than Eu (b) Sm is a better one electron oxidant than Eu  
 (c) Facile oxidation state is +2 for both the elements (d) Both of these display similar redox behaviour.
- 55) Molybdoenzymes can both oxidize as well as reduce the substrates, because [June 2014]  
 (a) Mo(VI) is more stable than Mo(IV)  
 (b) Mo(IV) can transfer oxygen atom to the substrate and Mo(VI) can abstract oxygen atom from the substrate  
 (c) Conversion of Mo(VI) to Mo(IV) is not favoured  
 (d) Mo(VI) can transfer oxygen atom to the substrate and Mo(IV) can abstract oxygen atom from the substrate.
- 56) The number of stereoisomers of trans  $[CoCl_2(\text{triethylenetetramine})]Br$  is [Dec 2014]  
 (a) One (b) Two (c) Three (d) Four
- 57) The spin-only magnetic moment and the spectroscopic ground state term symbol of manganese centre in  $[MnF_6]^{3-}$  ion respectively, are [Dec 2014]  
 (a) 4.9 BM and  ${}^5D$  (b) 4.9 BM and  ${}^4F$  (c) 3.9 BM and  ${}^3D$  (d) 4.9 BM and  ${}^3F$

- 58) The spin-only ( $\mu_S$ ) and spin plus-orbital ( $\mu_{S+L}$ ) magnetic moment of  $[\text{CrCl}_6]^{3-}$  are [Dec 2014]  
 (a) 3.87 BM and 5.20 BM (b) 2.84 BM and 5.20 BM  
 (c) 3.87 BM and 6.34 BM (d) 2.84 BM and 6.34 BM

(Questions from GATE EXAM)Questions with ONE OR TWO marks

- 59) The complexes  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})\text{Cl}]\text{Br}_2$  and  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Br}_2]\text{Cl}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$  are examples of (GATE 2005)  
 (a) ionization isomerism (b) linkage isomerism  
 (c) geometric isomerism (d) optical isomerism
- 60) In the trigonal bipyramidal crystal field the d orbital with the highest energy is (GATE 2005)  
 (a)  $d_{xy}$  (b)  $d_{x^2-y^2}$  (c)  $d_{yz}$  (d)  $d_z^2$
- 61) The magnetic moment of the complex  $\text{K}_3[\text{CoF}_6]$  is  $5.0 \mu_B$ . The total stabilization energy will be (GATE 2005)  
 (a)  $-0.4 \Delta_0$  (b)  $-0.4 \Delta_0 + P$  (c)  $-2.4 \Delta_0 + 3P$  (d)  $-1.8 \Delta_0 + 3P$
- 62) Ligand field stabilization energies are smaller for lanthanides compared to transition metals in the same oxidation state because (GATE 2005)  
 (a) Size of lanthanide ions are larger (b) f orbitals interact less effectively with ligands  
 (c) Size of lanthanide ions are smaller (d) Lanthanides favour oxygen donor ligands
- 63) The lanthanide complex (acac = acetylacetonate; phen = 1, 10-phenanthroline) that do not have square antiprismatic structure is (GATE 2005)  
 (a)  $[\text{Ce}(\text{NO}_3)_6]^{2-}$  (b)  $[\text{La}(\text{acac})_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$  (c)  $[\text{Ce}(\text{acac})_4]$  (d)  $[\text{Eu}(\text{acac})_3(\text{phen})]$

Linked Answer Questions ( 64 and 65)

- 64) For the complex ion  $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{2+}$ , the coordination geometrical will be (GATE 2005)  
 (a) Octahedral (b) tetragonally distorted octahedral  
 (c) trigonal prismatic (d) trigonal antiprismatic
- 65) The number of possible d-d transitions will be (GATE 2005)  
 (a) One (b) two (c) three (d) four
- 66) The homogeneous catalyst that is used in the hydroformylation or hydrocarbonylation is based on (GATE 2006)  
 (a) Co (b) Cr (c) Ti (d) V
- 67) The pair of ions that most commonly forms complexes with coordination number 2 is (GATE 2006)  
 (a) Cd(II) and Hg(II) (b) Cu(II) and Hg(I) (c) Cd(II) and Hg(I) (d) Cu(I) and Hg(II)
- 68) The experimental magnetic moment of  $\text{K}_3[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]$  is  $2.3 \mu_B$  and is attributable to the (GATE 2006)  
 (a) spin-only value of low-spin Fe (b) spin-only value of high-spin Fe  
 (c) low-spin Fe with orbital contribution (d) high-spin Fe with orbital contribution
- 69) The CORRECT order of the soft character (as per HSAB principle) of the central metal ion is (GATE 2006)  
 (a)  $[\text{CrO}_4]^{2-} < [\text{CrCl}_4]^- < [\text{Cr}(\text{bipy})_3] < [\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_5]^{2-}$  (b)  $[\text{CrCl}_4]^- < [\text{Cr}(\text{bipy})_3] < [\text{CrO}_4]^{2-} < [\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_5]^{2-}$   
 (c)  $[\text{CrO}_4]^{2-} < [\text{Cr}(\text{bipy})_3] < [\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_5]^{2-} < [\text{CrCl}_4]^-$  (d)  $[\text{CrCl}_4]^- < [\text{CrO}_4]^{2-} < [\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_5]^{2-} < [\text{Cr}(\text{bipy})_3]$

- 70) The metal ion that is expected to shift the C<sub>1</sub>-methylene group in heptanol from 2 to 10 ppm in <sup>1</sup>H NMR is (GATE 2006)  
 (a) Eu (III) (b) Tl (III) (c) Al (III) (d) Sc(III)
- 71) Among, RO<sup>-</sup>, AsMe<sub>3</sub>, ROR', CN<sup>-</sup>, AsMe<sub>3</sub>, RCO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>, SCN<sup>-</sup>, the set of ligands with good π-acceptor nature are (GATE 2006)  
 (a) RO<sup>-</sup>, RCO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>, SCN<sup>-</sup> (b) RO<sup>-</sup>, RCO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>, AsMe<sub>3</sub>,  
 (c) AsMe<sub>3</sub>, CN<sup>-</sup>, SCN<sup>-</sup> (d) RO<sup>-</sup>, ROR', RCO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>
- 72) The set of ions expected to show Jahn-Teller distortion in their complexes is (GATE 2006)  
 (a) Ti(III), Cu(II), high-Spin Fe (III) (b) Cu(I), Ni(II), High-spin Fe (III)  
 (c) Cu(II), Low-Spin Fe (III), Ti (III) (d) Low-Spin Fe (III), Mn (II), Cu(I)
- 73) The series with correct order of increasing Δ<sub>o</sub> in their complexes is (GATE 2006)  
 (a) I<sup>-</sup> < PR<sub>3</sub> < CH<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> < CO (b) PR<sub>3</sub> < CH<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> < I<sup>-</sup> < CO (c) CH<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> < PR<sub>3</sub> < I<sup>-</sup> < CO (d) I<sup>-</sup> < CH<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> < PR<sub>3</sub> < CO
- 74) Coordinated water molecules of a Cd(II) complex can be successively replaced by Br<sup>-</sup> finally to result in [CdBr<sub>4</sub>]<sup>2-</sup>. In this process, the fourth equilibrium constant is observed to be higher than the third one, because (GATE 2006)  
 (a) equilibrium constant for the last step is always the highest  
 (b) three molecules of H<sub>2</sub>O are released during the fourth step  
 (c) the aquo-Cd(II) species is a octahedral  
 (d) an anion (Br<sup>-</sup>) replaces a neutral (H<sub>2</sub>O) molecule from the coordination sphere
- 75) The CORRECT statement regarding the thermodynamic stability and kinetic reactivity of metal ion complexes is that (GATE 2006)  
 (a) more stable complexes are less reactive  
 (b) there exists a dependence on the bulkiness of the ligand  
 (c) there exists no direct relation between these two phenomenon  
 (d) there exists a dependence on the size of the metal ion
- 76) The octahedral complex or complex ion which shows both facial and meridional isomers is (GATE 2007)  
 (a) Triglycinatocobalt(III) (b) Tris(ethylenediamine)cobalt(III)  
 (c) Dichlorodiglycinatocobalt(III) (d) Trioxalatocobaltate(III)
- 77) The difference in the measured and calculated magnetic moment (based on spin-orbit coupling) is observed for (GATE 2007)  
 (a) Pm<sup>3+</sup> (b) Eu<sup>3+</sup> (c) Dy<sup>3+</sup> (d) Lu<sup>3+</sup>
- 78) The separation of trivalent lanthanide ions, Lu<sup>3+</sup>, Yb<sup>3+</sup>, Dy<sup>3+</sup>, Eu<sup>3+</sup> can be effectively done by a cation exchange resin using ammonium o-hydroxy isobutyrate as the eluent. The order in which the ions will be separated is (GATE 2007)  
 (a) Lu<sup>3+</sup>, Yb<sup>3+</sup>, Dy<sup>3+</sup>, Eu<sup>3+</sup> (b) Eu<sup>3+</sup>, Dy<sup>3+</sup>, Yb<sup>3+</sup>, Lu<sup>3+</sup> (c) Dy<sup>3+</sup>, Yb<sup>3+</sup>, Eu<sup>3+</sup>, Lu<sup>3+</sup> (d) Yb<sup>3+</sup>, Dy<sup>3+</sup>, Lu<sup>3+</sup>, Eu<sup>3+</sup>
- 79) Arrange the following metal complexes in order of their increasing hydration energy (GATE 2007)  
 [Mn(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>2+</sup> [V(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>2+</sup> [Ni(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>2+</sup> [Ti(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>2+</sup>  
 P Q R S  
 (a) P < S < Q < R (b) P < Q < R < S (c) Q < P < R < S (d) S < R < Q < P

- 80) The compound which shows  $L \leftarrow M$  charge transfer is (GATE 2007)  
 (a)  $Ni(CO)_4$  (b)  $K_2Cr_2O_7$  (c)  $HgO$  (d)  $[Ni(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$
- 81) Zeise's salt is represented as (GATE 2007)  
 (a)  $H_2PtCl_6$  (b)  $[PtCl_4]^{2-}$  (c)  $[ZnCl_4]^{2-}$  (d)  $[PtCl_3(\eta^2-C_2H_4)]^-$
- 82) The total number of isomers of  $Co(en)_2Cl_2$  ( $en = ethylenediamine$ ) is (GATE 2008)  
 (a) 4 (b) 3 (c) 6 (d) 5
- 83) The magnetic moment of  $[Ru(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$  corresponds to the presence of (GATE 2008)  
 (a) four unpaired electrons (b) three unpaired electrons  
 (c) two unpaired electrons (d) zero unpaired electrons
- 84) The structures of the complexes  $[Cu(NH_3)_4](ClO_4)_2$  and  $[Cu(NH_3)_4](ClO_4)$  in solution respectively are (GATE 2008)  
 (a) square planar and tetrahedral (b) octahedral and square pyramidal  
 (c) octahedral and trigonal bipyramidal (d) tetrahedral and square planar
- 85) The expected magnetic moments of the first-row transition metal complexes and those of the lanthanide metal complexes are usually calculated using (GATE 2008)  
 (a)  $\mu_{s.o.}$  equation ( $s.o. = spin\ only$ ) for both lanthanide and transition metal complexes  
 (b)  $\mu_{s.o.}$  equation for lanthanide metal complexes and  $\mu_J$  equation for transition metal complexes  
 (c)  $\mu_{s.o.}$  equation for transition metal complexes and  $\mu_J$  equation for lanthanide metal complexes  
 (d)  $\mu_{L+S}$  equation for transition metal complexes and  $\mu_{s.o.}$  equation for lanthanide metal complexes
- 86)  $CaTiO_3$ , has a perovskite crystal structure. The coordination number of titanium in  $CaTiO_3$  is (GATE 2008)  
 (a) 9 (b) 6 (c) 3 (d) 12
- 87) Among the compounds  $Fe_3O_4$ ,  $NiFe_2O_4$  and  $Mn_3O_4$  (GATE 2008)  
 (a)  $NiFe_2O_4$  and  $Mn_3O_4$  are normal spinels (b)  $Fe_3O_4$  and  $Mn_3O_4$  are normal spinels  
 (c)  $Fe_3O_4$  and  $Mn_3O_4$  are inverse spinels (d)  $Fe_3O_4$  and  $NiFe_2O_4$  are inverse spinels
- 88) The correct statement about the Cu-N bond distances in  $[Cu(NH_3)_6]^{2+}$  is (GATE 2009)  
 (a) all the bond distances are equal  
 (b) the axial bonds are longer than the equatorial ones  
 (c) the equatorial bonds are longer than the axial ones  
 (d) all the bond distances are unequal
- 89) The number of unpaired electron(s) present in the species  $[Fe(H_2O)_5(NO)]^{2+}$  which is formed during 'brown ring test' is (GATE 2010)  
 (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5
- 90)  $Fe_3O_4$  and  $Co_3O_4$  are metal oxides having spinel structure. Considering their CFSEs, the correct statement regarding their structure is (GATE 2010)  
 (a) both have normal spinel structure  
 (b) both have inverse spinel structure  
 (c)  $Fe_3O_4$  has a normal and  $Co_3O_4$  are inverse spinels  
 (d)  $Fe_3O_4$  has a inverse and  $Co_3O_4$  are normal spinels



- 91) The d-d absorption band of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  is split due to [GATE 2010]  
 (a) presence of octahedral geometry (b) static Jahn-Teller distortion  
 (c) dynamic Jahn-Teller distortion (d) presence of trigonal bipyramidal geometry
- 92)  $[\text{CoCl}_4]^{2-}$  a blue coloured complex. Controlled-treatment of this complex with water generates two isomeric light pink coloured complexes, of composition  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4\text{Cl}_2]$ . Identify the correct point groups for  $[\text{CoCl}_4]^{2-}$  and two isomeric complexes  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4\text{Cl}_2]$ . [GATE 2010]  
 (a)  $D_{4h}$  and ( $C_{2v}$  &  $C_{2h}$ ) (b)  $T_d$  and ( $C_{2v}$  &  $D_{4h}$ ) (c)  $D_{4h}$  and ( $C_{2v}$  &  $D_{4h}$ ) (d)  $T_d$  and ( $C_{2v}$  &  $C_{4v}$ )
- 93) Jahn-Teller distortion of  $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$  acts to (GATE 2011)  
 (a) raise symmetry (b) remove an electronic degeneracy  
 (c) cause loss of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  ligand (d) promote a d-electron to an antibonding molecular orbital
- 94) The complex that exists as a pair of enantiomers is (GATE 2011)  
 (a)  $\text{trans}[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{NCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2)_2\text{Cl}_2]^+$  (b)  $\text{cis}[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Cl}_2]^+$   
 (c)  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{Cl})(\text{Br})(\text{CH}_3)]^-$  (d)  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{NCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2)_3]^{3+}$
- 95) The crystal field stabilization energy (CFSE) value, for  $[\text{Ti}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$  that has an absorption maximum at 492 nm is (GATE 2011)  
 (a)  $20,325 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (b)  $12,195 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (c)  $10,162 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (d)  $8,130 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- 96) In the isoelectronic series,  $\text{VO}_4^{3-}$ ,  $\text{CrO}_4^{2-}$  and  $\text{MnO}_4^-$ , all members have intense charge transfer (CT) transitions. The INCORRECT statement is (GATE 2011)  
 (a) CT transitions are attributed to excitations of electrons from ligand ( $\sigma$ ) to metal ( $e$ )  
 (b)  $\text{MnO}_4^-$  exhibits charge transfer at shortest wavelength among the three  
 (c) The wavelengths of transitions increase in the order  $\text{VO}_4^{3-} < \text{CrO}_4^{2-} < \text{MnO}_4^-$   
 (d) The charge on metal nucleus increases in the order  $\text{VO}_4^{3-} < \text{CrO}_4^{2-} < \text{MnO}_4^-$
- 97) The increasing order of wavelength of absorption for the complex ions (GATE 2011)  
 i)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$ , ii)  $[\text{CrCl}_6]^{3-}$ , iii)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{3+}$ , iv)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  is  
 (a)  $\text{iv} < \text{ii} < \text{i} < \text{iii}$  (b)  $\text{iv} < \text{iii} < \text{ii} < \text{i}$  (c)  $\text{iv} < \text{i} < \text{iii} < \text{ii}$  (d)  $\text{ii} < \text{iii} < \text{i} < \text{iv}$
- 98) The complex with inverse-spinel structure is [GATE 2012]  
 (a)  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$  (b)  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  (c)  $\text{MgAlO}_4$  (d)  $\text{Mn}_3\text{O}_4$
- 99) The enthalpies of hydration of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  follow the order [GATE 2012]  
 (a)  $\text{Mn}^{2+} > \text{Ca}^{2+} > \text{Zn}^{2+}$  (b)  $\text{Zn}^{2+} > \text{Ca}^{2+} > \text{Mn}^{2+}$   
 (c)  $\text{Mn}^{2+} > \text{Zn}^{2+} > \text{Ca}^{2+}$  (d)  $\text{Zn}^{2+} > \text{Mn}^{2+} > \text{Ca}^{2+}$
- 100) The IUPAC nomenclature of  $\text{Na}[\text{PCl}_6]$  is [GATE 2012]  
 (a) sodium hexachlorophosphine(V) (b) sodium hexachlorophosphate(V)  
 (c) sodium hexachlorophosphine (d) sodium hexachlorophosphite(V)
- 101) The INCORRECT statement about Zeise's salt is [GATE 2012]  
 (a) Zeise's salt is diamagnetic  
 (b) The oxidation state of Pt in Zeise's salt is +2  
 (c) All the Pt-Cl bond lengths in Zeise's salt are equal  
 (d) C-C bond length of ethylene moiety in Zeise's salt is longer than that of free ethylene molecule

- 102) The number of possible isomers for the square planar mononuclear complex  $[(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{M}(\text{CN})_2]$  of a metal M is [GATE 2012]  
 (a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 6 (d) 3
- 103) The correct statement with respect to the bonding of the ligands,  $\text{Me}_3\text{N}$  and  $\text{Me}_3\text{P}$  with the metal ions  $\text{Be}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Pd}^{2+}$  is, [GATE 2013]  
 (a) The ligands bind equally strong with both the metal ions as they are dicationic  
 (b) The ligands bind equally strong with both the metal ions as both the ligands are pyramidal  
 (c) The binding is stronger for  $\text{Me}_3\text{N}$  with  $\text{Be}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Me}_3\text{P}$  with  $\text{Pd}^{2+}$   
 (d) The binding is stronger for  $\text{Me}_3\text{N}$  with  $\text{Pd}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Me}_3\text{P}$  with  $\text{Be}^{2+}$
- 104) The correct electronic configuration and spin only magnetic moment of  $\text{Gd}^{3+}$  (At.No. 64) are [GATE 2013]  
 (a)  $[\text{Xe}]4f^7$  and 7.9 BM (b)  $[\text{Xe}]4f^7$  and 8.9 BM  
 (c)  $[\text{Xe}]4f^65d^1$  and 7.9 BM (d)  $[\text{Rn}]5f^7$  and 7.9 BM
- 105) Among the following octahedral complexes, the one that has the highest enthalpy of hydration is [GATE 2013]  
 (a)  $[\text{Ca}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  (b)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  (c)  $[\text{V}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  (d)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$
- 106) The geometries of  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$  and  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$ , respectively, are [GATE 2014]  
 (a) tetrahedral and square planar (b) square planar and tetrahedral  
 (c) tetrahedral and tetrahedral (d) square planar and square planar
- 107) The complexes  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4\text{Cl}_2]\text{NO}_2$  and  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4\text{Cl}(\text{NO}_2)]\text{Cl}$  are [GATE 2014]  
 (a) linkage isomers (b) positional isomers (c) ionization isomers (d) optical isomers
- 108) Amongst the following, the complex ion that would show strong Jahn-Teller distortion is [GATE 2014]  
 (a)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  (b)  $[\text{Ti}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$  (c)  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  (d)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$
- 109) Amongst the following, the complex ion that is expected to show the highest magnetic moment at room temperature is [GATE 2014]  
 (a)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$  (b)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  (c)  $[\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  (d)  $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$
- 110)  $\text{MnCr}_2\text{O}_4$  is [GATE 2014]  
 (a) normal spinel with total CFSE of  $-15.5 \text{ Dq}$   
 (b) inverse spinel with total CFSE of  $-15.5 \text{ Dq}$   
 (c) normal spinel with total CFSE of  $-24 \text{ Dq}$   
 (d) inverse spinel with total CFSE of  $-24 \text{ Dq}$

Answer Key

Topic: 5:-Transition/Inner-transition Elements:-

|     |   |     |   |     |   |     |   |     |   |     |   |     |   |     |   |     |   |     |   |
|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|
| 1   | a | 2   | c | 3   | b | 4   | d | 5   | b | 6   | d | 7   | c | 8   | b | 9   | a | 10  | c |
| 11  | c | 12  | b | 13  | a | 14  | d | 15  | d | 16  | b | 17  | c | 18  | a | 19  | d | 20  | b |
| 21  | d | 22  | a | 23  | d | 24  | d | 25  | a | 26  | b | 27  | d | 28  | a | 29  | d | 30  | b |
| 31  | b | 32  | d | 33  | a | 34  | a | 35  | a | 36  | a | 37  | d | 38  | a | 39  | a | 40  | b |
| 41  | a | 42  | b | 43  | c | 44  | c | 45  | d | 46  | b | 47  | c | 48  | a | 49  | c | 50  | a |
| 51  | a | 52  | a | 53  | c | 54  | b | 55  | d | 56  | c | 57  | a | 58  | a | 59  | a | 60  | d |
| 61  | a | 62  | b | 63  | a | 64  | b | 65  | a | 66  | a | 67  | d | 68  | c | 69  | a | 70  | a |
| 71  | c | 72  | c | 73  | a | 74  | b | 75  | c | 76  | a | 77  | b | 78  | a | 79  | a | 80  | a |
| 81  | d | 82  | b | 83  | d | 84  | a | 85  | c | 86  | b | 87  | d | 88  | b | 89  | d | 90  | d |
| 91  | c | 92  | b | 93  | b | 94  | d | 95  | a | 96  | b | 97  | c | 98  | b | 99  | d | 100 | b |
| 101 | c | 102 | a | 103 | c | 104 | a | 105 | c | 106 | c | 107 | c | 108 | a | 109 | b | 110 | c |

Hint & solution

- 1) Ans (a):-** According to crystal field theory,  $Ni^{2+}$  can have two unpaired electrons in both octahedral and tetrahedral geometry. Square-planar complexes are always diamagnetic.
- 2) Ans (c):-** According to crystal field theory,  $[Ni(CN)_4]^{2-}$  is a square-planar diamagnetic complex and  $[NiCl_4]^{2-}$  is a tetrahedral paramagnetic complex
- 3) Ans (b):-** Ceric ammonium nitrate show a charge-transfer band (Ligand-to-metal charge-transfer transitions are observed in the visible region of the spectrum when the metal is in a high oxidation state; here Ce is in high oxidation state i.e. Ce(IV))
- 4) Ans (d):-** The number of possible isomers for  $[Ru(bpy)_2Cl_2]$  are 5
- 5) Ans (b):-** The ligand system present in vitamin B<sub>12</sub> is Corrin.  
The ligand system present in haemoglobin (Fe) and in chlorophyll (Mg) is Porphyrin.
- 6) Ans (d):-** Magnetic moment of transition metal is calculated by spin only formula while magnetic moment of lanthanides is calculated by both spin as well as orbital contribution but in case of  $Gd^{3+}$  the value of  $L = 0$  i.e. orbital contribution is zero so it does not show a large deviation from the spin-only formula so answer is  $Sm^{3+}$  which belongs to lanthanides series with  $L \neq 0$ .

7) Ans (c):- The complex that absorbs light of shortest wavelength is  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$

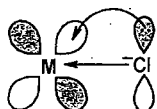
Hint:- Spectrochemical series of ligand

8) Ans (b):-  $\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_2\text{Et})_2\text{Br}_2$  is a tetrahedral complex according to given magnetic moment and therefore do not show isomerism unless all four ligands are different or where there are two unsymmetrical bidentate chelating ligands.

Therefore the geometry and the number of isomers possible for the complex are tetrahedral and one respectively

9) Ans (a):- Uranium fluorides co-precipitate with  $\text{CaF}_2$

10) Ans (c):- As a ligand  $\text{Cl}^-$  is both  $\sigma$ - &  $\pi$ - donor ( $\pi$ -bases) other examples are  $\text{OH}^-$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  etc.



11) Ans (c):- Spin-orbit coupling is shown by the d-electron configuration with unsymmetrical electrons in  $t_{2g}$  Orbital i.e.  $t_{2g}^4 e_g^0$

12) Ans (b):- The strongest oxidizing agent is  $[\text{CrO}_4]^{2-}$  due to smaller size of  $\text{Cr}^{+6}$  it is more electronegative so it has strong oxidizing power among all.

13) Ans (a):- The least basic is  $\text{Al}(\text{OH})_3$ . The acidic character of hydroxides of lanthanides increases as the size decreases from  $\text{La}^{3+}$  to  $\text{Lu}^{3+}$  (consequences of lanthanide contraction). However basic strength decreases.  $\text{La}(\text{OH})_3$  thus is most basic whereas  $\text{Lu}(\text{OH})_3$  is least basic but size of  $\text{Al}^{+3}$  is smaller than  $\text{Lu}^{+3}$  so it is least basic among the all. Similarly, the basicity of oxides also decreases in the order from  $\text{La}^{3+}$  to  $\text{Lu}^{3+}$ .

14) Ans (d):- Among all  $\text{Lu}(\text{OH})_3$  is acts as acidic (consequences of lanthanide contraction) so it has highest solubility in hot concentrated aqueous  $\text{NaOH}$

15) Ans (d):- because of d-d transitions in both as no possibility of LMCT & MLCT in both (according to concept of LMCT & MLCT)

16) Ans (b):- The number possible isomers of  $[\text{Ru}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{acac})_2]$  are cis & trans. The cis isomer does exist as optical isomers because it does not have a mirror plane or centre of inversion (it does have a  $\text{C}_2$  axis); while the trans isomer has mirror planes and an centre of inversion and therefore cannot be optical active. The number possible isomers of  $[\text{Ru}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{acac})_2]$  are 3

17) Ans (c):- The acidic character of hydroxides is directly proportional to the charge density on a metal ion. Generally cation with smaller size has a greater charge density.

Size increase in the order:-  $\text{Al}^{+3} < \text{Fe}^{+3} < \text{Fe}^{+2}$  &

hence order of acidic character is reverse i.e.  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+} < [\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} < [\text{Al}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$

18) Ans (a):- An octahedral metal ion  $\text{M}^{2+}$  with three unpaired electrons has magnetic moment of 4.0 B.M. i.e. high spin  $\text{Co}^{+2}$

| unpaired electrons | Formula = $\sqrt{n(n+2)}$   | magnetic moment (by spin only formula) |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| 1                  | $\sqrt{1(1+2)} = \sqrt{3}$  | 1.73 B.M.                              |
| 2                  | $\sqrt{2(2+2)} = \sqrt{8}$  | 2.82 B.M.                              |
| 3                  | $\sqrt{3(3+2)} = \sqrt{15}$ | 3.87 B.M.                              |
| 4                  | $\sqrt{4(4+2)} = \sqrt{24}$ | 4.9 B.M.                               |
| 5                  | $\sqrt{5(5+2)} = \sqrt{35}$ | 5.91 B.M.                              |

19) **Ans (d):-** Lanthanide(III) ion complexes show isomerism & the coordination number generally 6 to 12. So option (b) & (c) are incorrect & option (a) & (d) are correct options

20) **Ans (b):-** As the size of central metal ion increases trend in LMCT energies is also increases. Order of size is  $V^{+5} > Cr^{+6} > Mn^{+7} \therefore MnO_4^- < CrO_4^{2-} < VO_4^{3-}$

21) **Ans (d):-** In complex  $[Mn(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$ ,  $Mn^{2+}$  is in the high spin  $d^5$  system so there is both orbital forbidden and spin forbidden therefore it is light pink in colour.

22) **Ans (a):-** Hint:- consequences of lanthanide contraction & each element beyond lanthanum has similar atomic radius as that of the element lying above it in the group (e.g. Zr 145 pm, Hf 144 pm); (Nb 134 pm, Ta 134 pm); (Mo 129 pm, W 130 pm).

23) **Ans (d):-**  $[Ti(H_2O)_6]^{3+}$  shows distortion in octahedral geometry due to weak Jahn Teller distortion

24) **Ans (d):-** The electronic configuration for gadolinium  $Gd^{2+}$  is  $[Xe] 4f^7 5d^1$

25) **Ans (a):-**  $H_2O_2$  reduces  $[Fe(CN)_6]^{3-}$ ,  $KIO_4$  only

26) **Ans (b):-** In  $[CrF_6]^{3-}$  Cr is in +3 oxidation state i.e.  $d^3$  system & for  $d^3$  system the value of  $\Delta_o = \nu_1$  that is  $14,900 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , in this case. (On the basis of Orgel diagram)

| Configuration | stabilization energy (in $D_q$ ) | Frequencies     |
|---------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| $d^2$         | $10 D_q$                         | $\nu_3 - \nu_1$ |
| $d^3, d^8$    | $10 D_q$                         | $\nu_1$         |
| $d^7$         | $10 D_q$                         | $\nu_2 - \nu_1$ |

27) **Ans (d):-** In  $[Ce(NO_3)_6]^{2-}$ , each  $NO_3^-$  ligand is bonded to the ceric ion by two O atoms and therefore Coordination Number =  $2 \times 6NO_3^- = 12$  and icosahedron

28) **Ans (a):-** Hint:- Hydration energy is proportional to CFSE. But when CFSE is same metal ion with smaller size have more hydration energy. (in period left to right size decreases).

Among all size of  $Na^+$  ion is smallest

so order of acidic character of hydroxides is  $[Na(H_2O)_6]^+ > [Ni(H_2O)_6]^{2+} > [Mn(H_2O)_6]^{2+} > [Sc(H_2O)_6]^{3+}$

| Complex             | Configuration    | CFSE            |
|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| $[Sc(H_2O)_6]^{3+}$ | $t_{2g}^0 e_g^0$ | $0 \Delta_o$    |
| $[Mn(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$ | $t_{2g}^3 e_g^2$ | $0 \Delta_o$    |
| $[Ni(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$ | $t_{2g}^6 e_g^2$ | $-1.2 \Delta_o$ |

29) **Ans (d):-** Order of d-orbital splitting in a trigonal bipyramidal geometry is  $d_z^2 > d_{x^2-y^2}, d_{xy} > d_{xz}, d_{yz}$ .

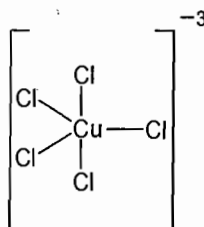
|                   | Energies of d-Orbitals in Ligand Fields in $Dq$ Units |               |          |          |          |
|-------------------|---|---------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Energy $\Delta_5$ | 7.07  | -0.82         | -0.82    | -2.72    | -2.72    |
| d-orbital         | $d_z^2$   | $d_{x^2-y^2}$ | $d_{xy}$ | $d_{xz}$ | $d_{yz}$ |

30) **Ans (b):-** Statements I and II are correct but Statement II is not an explanation for Statement I.

- 31) Ans (b):- Because for Eu, Yb; +2 oxidation state is more stable than +3 therefore energy required for third-ionization energy is high.
- 32) Ans (d):- Lu(III) has highest partition coefficient due smaller in size
- 33) Ans (a):- The metal complex  $mer-[IrCl_3(PPh_3)_3]^+$  exhibits a triplet as well as doublet in its  $^{31}P$  NMR spectrum. Note:- In the *fac* and *mer* isomers, all P atoms are equivalent in the *fac* isomer while two environments exist in case of *mer* isomer.
- 34) Ans (a):- The correct spinel structure of  $Co_3O_4$  is  $(Co^{2+})_t(2Co^{3+})_oO$ . Here  $Co^{3+}$  is a low spin system even in presence of weak field oxo ligands due to high charge on the  $Co^{3+}$  metal ion
- 35) Ans (a):- The observed and calculated magnetic moment values are closest for the pair Gd(III), Lu(III)

| Metal ion | Calculated Magnetic moment | Observed Magnetic moment |
|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Sm(III),  | 0.84                       | 1.5-1.6                  |
| Eu(III)   | 0                          | 3.4-3.5                  |
| Gd(III),  | 7.94                       | 7.8-7.9                  |
| Lu(III)   | 0                          | 0                        |

- 36) Ans (a):- In the solid state, the  $CuCl_5^{3-}$  ion two types of bonds (three long and two short)



- 37) Ans (d):- increasing  $\pi$ - acidity order of  $:NEt_3$  (not acts as  $\pi$  acceptor)  $< H_2C=CH_2 < F_2C=CF_2 < :C\equiv O^+$

- 38) Ans (a):- The species with highest magnetic moment (spin only value) is  $[VCl_6]^{4-}$

| Complex                | Unpaired electron | Magnetic moment |
|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| $[VCl_6]^{4-}$         | 3                 | ~3.9            |
| $[\eta^5-C_5H_5)_2]Cr$ | 2                 | ~2.8            |
| $[Co(NO_2)_6]^{3-}$    | 0 (low spin)      | 0               |
| $[Ni(EDTA)]^{2-}$      | 2                 | ~2.8            |

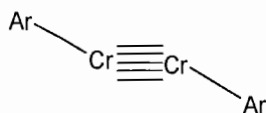
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- 40) Ans (b):- The magnetic moment closest to the spin only value are for Nd(III) & Gd(III)

| Metal ion        | Magnetic moment |                |
|------------------|-----------------|----------------|
|                  | Spin only       | Spin + orbital |
| Nd(III) = $4f^3$ | 3.9             | 3.62           |
| Gd(III) = $4f^7$ | 7.9             | 7.94           |
| Dy(III) = $4f^9$ | 2.7             | 10.63          |

- 41) Ans (a):- Hint:- Spectrochemical series

- 42) **Ans (b):-**  $\text{In}[\text{Cr}(\text{EDTA})]^-$  &  $[\text{Ru}(\text{bipy})_3]^{3+}$  has a neither mirror plane of symmetry nor a centre of inversion; so both are chiral while in case of  $[\text{PtCl}(\text{dine})]^+$  plane of symmetry and hence it is achiral.
- 43) **Ans (c):-** Co(II), Zn(II) & Be(II) will form tetrahedral coordination complexes, when ligands are  $\text{Cl}^-$  or  $\text{OH}^-$
- 44) **Ans (c):-** Hint:- Spectrochemical series
- 45) **Ans (d):-**  $\text{MnCr}_2\text{O}_4$  is likely to have a normal spinel structure because  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  ( $d^3$ ) will have a LFSE in the octahedral site whereas the  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  ( $d^5$ ) ion will not. Generally metal ion ( $M^{+2}/M^{+3}$ ) with greater LFSE will occupy in an octahedral site.
- 46) **Ans (b):-** Hint:- Jahn Teller distortion [ $d^9$  system of Cu(II) shows dynamic Jahn Teller distortion  
The energy order of tetragonal elongation for an octahedral complex  $\{\text{K}_2\text{Ba}[\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_2)_6]\}$
- $$d_{xz} \sim d_{yz} < d_{xy} < d_z^2 < d_{x^2-y^2}^2$$
- The energy order of tetragonal compression for an octahedral complex  $\{\text{Cs}_2\text{Ba}[\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_2)_6]\}$
- $$d_{xy} < d_{xz} \sim d_{yz} < d_{x^2-y^2}^2 < d_z^2$$
- 47) **Ans (c):-** Oxidative addition reactions are favoured by electron rich metal centers ( $d^8$  &  $d^{10}$ ) as during oxidative addition reactions there is increase in oxidation number of the metal centre by 2 (0 to +2 or +1 to +3 etc).
- 48) **Ans (a):-** From the given magnetic data geometry of A & B is square-planar and tetrahedral respectively.
- 49) **Ans (c):-** Recent study showed that the concept of metal-metal multiple bonds are extended to five known as Quintuple Bonds; e.g



quintuple bonding

In such cases the ligand forms a bond with the 4s orbitals of Cr & hence d-orbitals available for Cr-Cr bonding. Quintuple bond results in a trans-bent geometry rather than linear geometry.

- 50) **Ans (a):-** Refer structure of  $\text{Ni}(\text{DMG})_2$  complex
- 51) **Ans (a):-** Hint:-  $d^8$  system of 4d & 5d series generally form Square planar complexes

| Complex               | System | Geometry      | Magnetism    |
|-----------------------|--------|---------------|--------------|
| $[\text{AgL}_4]^{2+}$ | $d^9$  | Tetrahedral   | Paramagnetic |
| $[\text{AgL}_6]^{2+}$ | $d^9$  | Octahedral    | Paramagnetic |
| $[\text{AgL}_4]^{3+}$ | $d^8$  | Square planar | Diamagnetic  |

- 52) **Ans (a):-**  $[\text{CoL}_6]^{3+}$  is red in colour (absorb shorter wavelength) where as  $[\text{CoL}'_6]^{3+}$  is green (absorb longer wavelength). Therefore L and L' are,  $\text{NH}_3$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ; according to spectrochemical series
- 53) **Ans (c):-** In  $[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  it is a  $d^8$  system no Jahn Teller distortion (symmetrical filling in  $t_{2g}$  &  $e_g$  orbital) and in case of  $[\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  it is a  $d^9$  system shows dynamic Jahn Teller distortion (due to unsymmetrical filling in  $e_g$  orbital). Therefore in  $[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  and  $[\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ , all Ni-O bond lengths are equal whereas Cu-O (equatorial) bonds are shorter than Cu-O(axial) bonds
- 54) **Ans (b):-** Sm ( $4f^6 5d^0 6s^2$ ) is a better one electron oxidant than Eu so that it attain more stable configuration ( $4f^7 5d^0 6s^2$ )

55) Ans (d):- Due to characteristic property of transition metal to show variable oxidation state and that is why they are involved in biological electron transfer reaction. Molybdoenzymes can both oxidize as well as reduce the substrates, because Mo(VI) can transfer oxygen atom to the substrate and Mo(IV) can abstract oxygen atom from the substrate.

56) Ans (c):- The number of stereoisomers of trans  $[\text{CoCl}_2(\text{triethylenetetramine})]\text{Br}$  is 3

57) Ans (a):- In  $[\text{MnF}_6]^{3-}$   $\text{Mn}^{3+}$  is in +3 i.e.  $d^4$  system (with 4 unpaired electron (high spin complex))

$\therefore$  magnetic moment is 4.9 BM

Ground state term symbol =  $^{2S+1}L$  (where  $s$  is total spin angular momentum quantum number &  $L$  is a total orbital angular momentum quantum number).  $2S+1 = 5$  &  $L = 2$  i.e. D term  $\therefore$  Ground state term symbol =  $^5D$

58) Ans (a):- The spin-only ( $\mu_s$ ) and spin plus-orbital ( $\mu_{s+l}$ ) magnetic moment of  $[\text{CrCl}_6]^{3-}$  3.87 BM and 5.20 BM & is calculated by formulae:-

$$\mu_{\text{ (spin only) }} = \sqrt{n(n+2)} \quad \text{and} \quad \mu_{\text{ (eff.) }} = \sqrt{4S(S+1) + L(L+1)}$$

59) Ans (a):- The complexes  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})\text{Cl}]\text{Br}_2$  and  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Br}_2]\text{Cl} \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$  are examples of ionization isomerism

60) Ans (d):- Splitting of the d orbitals in trigonal bipyramidal crystal field with increasing energy is:-

In the trigonal bipyramidal crystal field the  $d_z^2$  orbital is with the highest energy ( $d_z^2 > d_{xy} \sim d_{x^2-y^2} > d_{xz} \sim d_{yz}$ )

| Energies of d-Orbitals in Ligand Fields in $Dq$ Units |         |               |          |          |          |
|---|---------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Energy $\Delta_0$                                     | 7.07    | -0.82         | -0.82    | -2.72    | -2.72    |
| d-orbital   | $d_z^2$ | $d_{x^2-y^2}$ | $d_{xy}$ | $d_{xz}$ | $d_{yz}$ |

61) Ans (a):- Magnetic moment of complex  $\text{K}_3[\text{CoF}_6]$ , is  $5.0 \mu_B$  which clearly indicate that Co is in +3 oxidation state with high spin  $t_{2g}^4 e_g^2$  electrons. Therefore the total stabilization energy will be  $-0.4 \Delta_0$ .

(each electron in  $t_{2g}$  orbital corresponds to  $-0.4 \Delta_0$  & each electron in  $e_g$  orbital corresponds to  $+0.6 \Delta_0$ )

The total stabilization energy = (electrons in  $t_{2g}$  orbital  $\times -0.4 \Delta_0$ ) + (electrons in  $e_g$  orbital  $\times 0.6 \Delta_0$ )

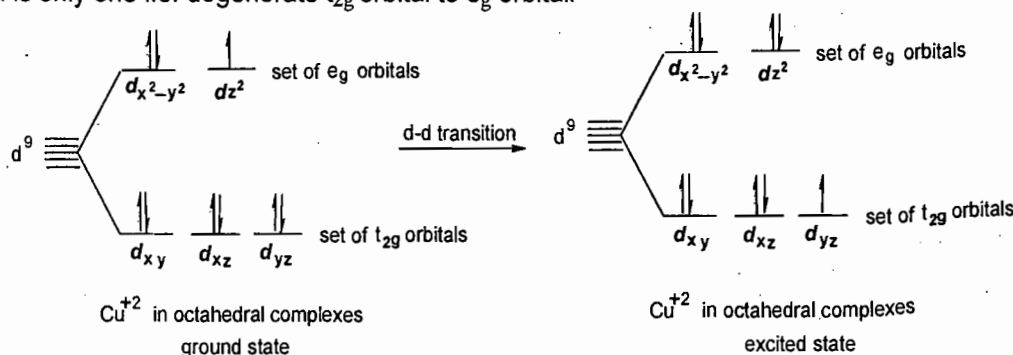
62) Ans (b):- Ligand field stabilization energies are smaller for lanthanides compared to transition metals in the same oxidation state because f orbitals interact less effectively with ligands since the 4f electrons are well shielded and not affected by the environment of the ion

63) Ans (a):- The coordination number of metal ion in case of square antiprismatic structure is 8 but in  $[\text{Ce}(\text{NO}_3)_6]^{2-}$  the coordination number of Ce(IV) ion is 12 & is icosahedrons structure.

(Each  $\text{NO}_3^-$  ligand is bonded to the ceric by two O atoms in  $[\text{Ce}(\text{NO}_3)_6]^{2-}$ )

64) Ans (b):- For the complex ion  $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{2+}$ , the coordination geometry will be tetragonally distorted octahedral (Hint:- Jahn Teller distortion [ $d^9$  system of Cu(II)] shows dynamic Jahn Teller distortion)

65) Ans (a):- According to Spin selection rule the number of possible d-d transition for the  $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{2+}$  complex ion is only one i.e. degenerate  $t_{2g}$  orbital to  $e_g$  orbital.



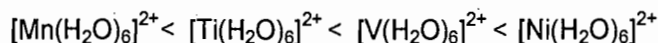




78) Ans (a):- The ion with smaller size is eluted first & therefore the order of separation is  $\text{Lu}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Yb}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Dy}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Eu}^{3+}$

| Metal ion        | Ionic radius $M^{3+}$ (in ppm) |
|------------------|--------------------------------|
| $\text{Eu}^{3+}$ | 107                            |
| $\text{Dy}^{3+}$ | 103                            |
| $\text{Yb}^{3+}$ | 99                             |
| $\text{Lu}^{3+}$ | 98                             |

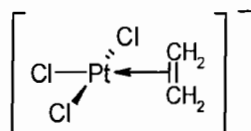
79) Ans (a):- Hint:-Hydration energy is proportional to CFSE. But when CFSE is same metal ion with smaller size have more hydration energy.(in period left to right size decreases)



| Complex                                  | Configuration    | CFSE            |
|--|------------------|-----------------|
| $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ | $t_{2g}^3 e_g^2$ | $0 \Delta_o$    |
| $[\text{V}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  | $t_{2g}^3 e_g^0$ | $-1.2 \Delta_o$ |
| $[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ | $t_{2g}^6 e_g^2$ | $-1.2 \Delta_o$ |
| $[\text{Ti}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ | $t_{2g}^2 e_g^0$ | $-0.8 \Delta_o$ |

80) Ans (a):- Charge-transfer transitions from metal to ligand (MLCT) are observed when the metal is in a low oxidation state and the ligands have low-lying acceptor orbitals. i.e.  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$ , While all other shows LMCT.

81) Ans (d):- Zeise's salt is represented as  $\text{K}[\text{PtCl}_3(\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_4)]$ ;

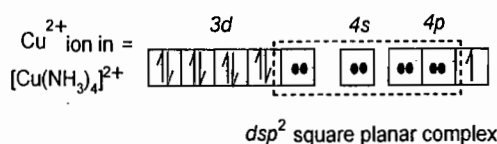
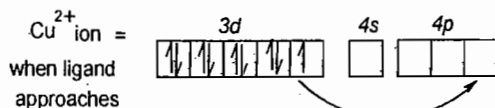
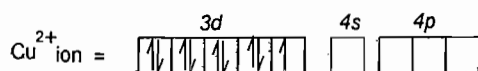


82) Ans (b):- The total number of isomers of  $\text{Co}(\text{en})_2\text{Cl}_2$  (en = ethylenediamine) are cis & trans. The cis isomer does exist as optical isomers because it does not have a mirror plane or centre of inversion that is cannot be superimposed on its mirror image. It is therefore chiral while the trans isomer has mirror planes and an centre of inversion and therefore cannot be optical active. The number possible isomers of  $\text{Co}(\text{en})_2\text{Cl}_2$  are 3

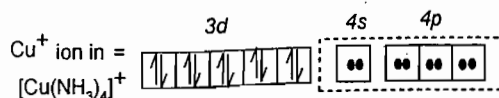
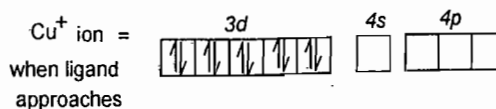
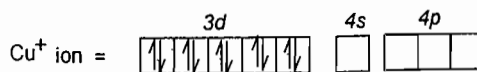
83) Ans (d):- In  $[\text{Ru}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ ;  $\text{Ru}^{+2}$  is  $d^6$  low spin system & the magnetic moment of  $[\text{Ru}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  corresponds to the presence of zero unpaired electrons. This is because for a series of complexes of metals from the same group in the periodic table with the same charge and the same ligands, the magnitude of  $\Delta_o$  increases with increasing principal quantum number:  $[\Delta_o(3d) < \Delta_o(4d) < \Delta_o(5d)]$

84) Ans (a):- According to VBT; the structures of the complexes  $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4](\text{ClO}_4)_2$  and  $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4](\text{ClO}_4)$  in solution are square planar and tetrahedral respectively.

Hybridization of  $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4](\text{ClO}_4)_2 = [\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4]^{2+}$



Hybridization of  $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4]\text{ClO}_4 = [\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4]^+$



$sp^3$  tetrahedral complex

**85) Ans (c):-** Magnetic moment of the first-row transition metal complexes is calculated only by spin only formula ( $\mu_{s.o.}$  equation) because the crystal field quenches the orbital angular momentum due to direct interaction of metal orbital with ligand orbital & hence there is no contribution from orbital motion. while in case of lanthanide metal complexes the 4f orbitals being deeply buried and well shielded (from outside environment) by the  $5s^2$  and  $5p^6$  orbitals and therefore not affected by the environment of the ion therefore magnetic moments of the lanthanide metal complexes is calculated by both spin as well as orbital contribution ( $\mu_J$  equation)

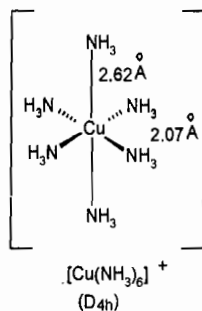
**86) Ans (b):-** The coordination number of Ti in  $\text{CaTiO}_3$  is 6 (octahedral) & that of Ca is 12 (cuboctahedral)

**87) Ans (d):-** Generally when  $\Delta_0$  CFSEs of  $M^{+3}$  ion is greater than  $M^{+2}$  ion it will adopt normal spinels structure otherwise it will adopt inverse spinels structure.

| Metal oxides              | $\Delta_0$ CFSE of $M^{+3}$                | $\Delta_0$ CFSE of $M^{+2}$                | Conclusion            |
|---------------------------|--|--|-----------------------|
| $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$   | High spin $\text{Fe}^{+3} = 0.0 \Delta_0$  | High spin $\text{Fe}^{+2} = -0.4 \Delta_0$ | <i>inverse spinel</i> |
| $\text{NiFe}_2\text{O}_4$ | High spin $\text{Fe}^{+3} = 0.0 \Delta_0$  | High $\text{Ni}^{+2} = -1.2 \Delta_0$      | <i>inverse spinel</i> |
| $\text{Mn}_3\text{O}_4$   | High spin $\text{Mn}^{+3} = -0.6 \Delta_0$ | High spin $\text{Mn}^{+2} = -0.0 \Delta_0$ | normal spinels        |

Thus  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  &  $\text{NiFe}_2\text{O}_4$  are *inverse spinel* while  $\text{Mn}_3\text{O}_4$  is a normal spinels

**88) Ans (b):-** In  $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{2+}$  ( $d^9$  system) ; axial Cu-N bond distances & equatorial bonds distances are not same due to unsymmetrical filling of electrons in  $e_g$  orbitals (Jahn-Teller distortion which leads to removal of degeneracy in the system). Generally in the  $d^9$  system; the  $d_z^2$  orbital is lowered in energy in comparison to the  $d_x^2 - y^2$  & the odd electron resides in  $d_x^2 - y^2$  and the degeneracy in the system is removed & it leads to the 2 axial bonds (along the z-axis) are longer than the 4 equatorial ones (along the x,y-axis)



**89) Ans (d):-** The Mössbauer and EPR parameters suggest five number of unpaired electron(s) that is (high spin  $\text{Fe}^{+3}$ ) present in the species  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5(\text{NO})]^{2+}$  i.e. complex is  $[\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5(\text{NO})]^{2+}$  & not  $[\text{Fe}^{\text{I}}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5(\text{NO})]^{2+}$

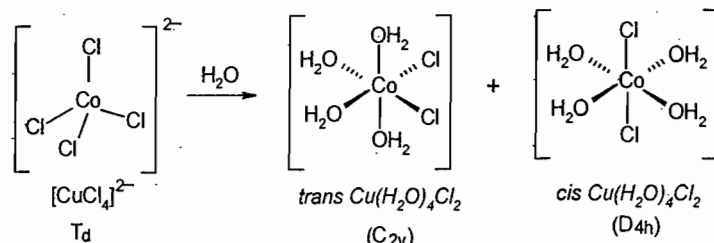
**90) Ans (d):-** Generally when  $\Delta_0$  CFSEs of  $M^{+3}$  ion is greater than  $M^{+2}$  ion it will adopt normal spinels structure otherwise it will adopt inverse spinels structure.

| Metal oxides            | $\Delta_0$ CFSE of $M^{+3}$               | $\Delta_0$ CFSE of $M^{+2}$                | Conclusion            |
|-------------------------|---|--|-----------------------|
| $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$ | High spin $\text{Fe}^{+3} = 0.0 \Delta_0$ | High spin $\text{Fe}^{+2} = -0.4 \Delta_0$ | <i>inverse spinel</i> |
| $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$ | Low spin $\text{Co}^{+3} = -2.4 \Delta_0$ | High spin $\text{Co}^{+2} = -0.8 \Delta_0$ | normal spinels        |

Note:-  $\text{Co}^{3+}$  is a low spin system even in presence of oxo ligands due to high charge on the ion & hence greater  $\Delta_0$

**91) Ans (c):-** The d-d absorption band of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  is split due to dynamic Jahn-Teller distortion (Note:- dynamic Jahn-Teller distortion means Jahn-Teller distortion due to unsymmetrical filling of electron in  $t_{2g}$  orbital) e.g.  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  is a high spin  $\text{Fe}^{+2}$  complex with  $t_{2g}^4 e_g^2$  configuration that is unsymmetrical filling of electron in  $t_{2g}$  orbital.

92) Ans (b):- Two isomeric complexes  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4\text{Cl}_2]$  are as given below,



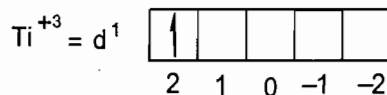
93) Ans (b):-  $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is a  $d^9$  system; due to unsymmetrical filling of electrons in  $e_g$  orbitals (Jahn-Teller distortion) which leads to removal of degeneracy in the system.

94) Ans (d):- Among all *trans*- $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{NCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2)_2\text{Cl}_2]^+$  & *cis*- $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Cl}_2]^+$  have a two plane of symmetry (can be superimposed on its mirror image) and therefore nonchiral.

$[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{Cl})(\text{Br})(\text{CH}_3)]^-$  is a square-planar complex & do not show optical isomerism

$[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{NCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2)_3]^{3+}$  exists as a pair of enantiomers. In such  $\text{M}(\text{L-L})_3$  complexes clockwise rotation is designated  $\Delta$  & anticlockwise rotation is designated  $\Lambda$

95) Ans (a):-



Thus  $L = 2$ ;  $S = \frac{1}{2}$   $\therefore$  The term symbol is:  ${}^{2S+1}L = {}^2D$

The term for  ${}^2D$  is  ${}^2T_{2g} + {}^2E_g$

Given:- absorption maxima ( $\lambda$ ) = 492nm ( $492 \times 10^{-7}$ cm)

$\therefore$  In the case of  $d^1$  system  $\text{CFSE} = \text{frequency}(\nu) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{492 \times 10^{-7}} = 20325 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

96) Ans (b):- The incorrect statement is (b) as  $\text{MnO}_4^-$  exhibits charge transfer at longest wavelength among the three

97) Ans (c):- Hint:- spectrochemical series of ligands. The increasing order of wavelength of absorption for the complex ions:  $[\text{Cr}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-} < [\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+} < [\text{Cr}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{3+} < [\text{CrCl}_6]^{3-}$

98) Ans (b):- In inverse spinel CFSE of  $\text{M}^{+3}$  is zero or smaller than  $\text{M}^{+2}$ ; e.g.  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$

In the *inverse spinel* structure, the octahedral holes are occupied by half of the +3 ions and by the +2 ions while the tetrahedral holes are occupied by the half of the +3 ions

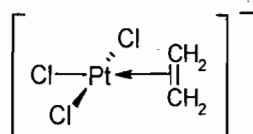
99) Ans (d):- In case of  $d^0$ ,  $d^5$  and  $d^{10}$  system smaller the size of the cation; greater is a enthalpies of hydration.

Size of cation:-  $\text{Ca}^{2+} > \text{Mn}^{2+} > \text{Zn}^{2+}$ .

Hence order of the enthalpies of hydration  $\text{Zn}^{2+} > \text{Mn}^{2+} > \text{Ca}^{2+}$

100) Ans (b):- The IUPAC nomenclature of  $\text{Na}[\text{PCl}_6]$  is sodium hexachlorophosphate(V)

101) Ans (c):- In Zeise's salt,  $\text{K}[\text{PtCl}_3(\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_4)]$ ; all the Pt-Cl bond lengths are not equal. (Bond length of one Pt-Cl is different.)



102) Ans (a):- The number of possible isomers for the square planar mononuclear complex  $[(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{M}(\text{CN})_2]$  of a metal M is 2 (*cis* & *trans*)

**103) Ans (c):-** According to the hard-soft interaction principle; soft electron donors in which the donor atom is sulfur or phosphorus form more stable complexes with soft metal ions such as  $\text{Pd}^{2+}$  or  $\text{Ag}^+$  etc., or with metal atom. Hard electron donors such as  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{NH}_3$ , or  $\text{F}^-$  generally form stable complexes with hard metal ions like  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  or  $\text{Be}^{2+}$  etc.

**104) Ans (a):-** The correct electronic configuration and spin only magnetic moment of  $\text{Gd}^{3+}$  (At.No. 64) are  $[\text{Xe}]4f^7$  and 7.9 BM

**105) Ans (c):-** Hint:-Hydration energy is proportional to CFSE. But when CFSE is same metal ion with smaller size have more hydration energy.(in period left to right size decreases)

| Complex                                  | Configuration    | CFSE            |
|--|------------------|-----------------|
| $[\text{Ca}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ | $d^0$            | $0 \Delta_o$    |
| $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ | $t_{2g}^3 e_g^2$ | $0 \Delta_o$    |
| $[\text{V}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  | $t_{2g}^3 e_g^0$ | $-1.2 \Delta_o$ |
| $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ | $t_{2g}^3 e_g^1$ | $-0.6 \Delta_o$ |

**106) Ans (c):-** According to valence bond theory geometries of both  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$  and  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$  is tetrahedral

**107) Ans (c):-** The complexes  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4\text{Cl}_2]\text{NO}_2$  and  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4\text{Cl}(\text{NO}_2)]\text{Cl}$  are ionization isomers

**108) Ans (a):-** Strong Jahn-Teller distortion is shown by metal ion with an unsymmetrical filling of d-electrons in  $e_g$  orbital.  $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  complex is a high spin  $d^4$  system with an  $t_{2g}^3 e_g^1$  configuration & shows Strong Jahn-Teller distortion.

**109) Ans (b):-** Among  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  &  $[\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ , the effective magnetic moment of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  is greater than  $[\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  due to spin orbit coupling in  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  (observed magnetic moment is greater than calculated).

| Complex                                  | structure     | System          | Unpaired electron | Magnetic moment |
|--|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$          | Square planar | $d^8$           | 0                 | 0               |
| $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$          | Octahedral    | low spin $d^5$  | 1                 | $>1.7$          |
| $[\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ | Octahedral    | high spin $d^9$ | 1                 | $\sim 1.7$      |
| $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$          | Octahedral    | low spin $d^6$  | 0                 | 0               |

**110) Ans (c):-**  $\text{MnCr}_2\text{O}_4$  is normal spinel with total CFSE of  $-24 \text{ Dq}$ .

In  $\text{MnCr}_2\text{O}_4$ ;  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  is with high spin  $d^5$  system; CFSE =  $0 \text{ Dq}$  so occupied tetrahedral site &  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  is with high spin  $d^3$  system; CFSE =  $-12 \text{ Dq}$  ( $2\text{Cr}^{3+}$ ; CFSE =  $-24 \text{ Dq}$ ) & occupied octahedral site. In the *normal spinel* structure, the octahedral holes are occupied by the  $+3$  ions and the tetrahedral holes are occupied by the  $+2$  ions ( $\text{AB}_2\text{O}_4$ ).

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## Topic 6

# BIO-INORGANIC

### Questions with two marks

- 1) The ligand system present in vitamin B<sub>12</sub> is [June 2011]  
(a) Porphyrin (b) Corrin (c) Phthalocyanine (d) Crown ether
- 2) Superoxide dismutase contains the metal ions [Dec 2011]  
(a) Zn (II) and Ni (II) (b) Cu (II) and Zn(II) (c) Ni (II) and Co(III) (d) Cu (II) and Fe(III)
- 3) The oxidation state of iron in met-haemoglobin is [June 2012]  
(a) Three (b) Two (c) Four (d) Zero
- 4) The correct set of the biologically essential elements is, [Dec 2012]  
(a) Fe, Mo, Cu, Zn (b) Fe, Cu, Co, Ru (c) Cu, Mn, Zn, Ag (d) Fe, Ru, Zn, Mg
- 5) Patients suffering from Wilson's disease have [Dec2013]  
(a) Low level of Cu-Zn superoxide dismutase (b) High level of Cu-Zn superoxide dismutase  
(c) Low level of copper-storage protein, ceruloplasmin (d) High level of copper-storage protein ceruloplasmin
- 6) High dose of dietary supplement ZnSO<sub>4</sub> for the cure of Zn deficiency [Dec2013]  
(a) reduces myoglobin (b) increases iron level in blood  
(c) increases copper level in brain (d) reduces copper, iron and calcium levels in body
- 7) The extent of  $\pi$  electron conjugation in macrocyclic rings of (i) heme, (ii) coenzyme B<sub>12</sub> and (iii) chlorophyll follows the order [Dec 2014]  
(a) (i) > (iii) > (ii) (b) (i) > (ii) > (iii) (c) (iii) > (i) > (ii) (d) (ii)  $\approx$  (i) > (iii)
- 8) The number of histidine amino acid nitrogen atoms coordinated to bimetallic active site of oxyhemocyanin and oxyhemerythrin, respectively, are [Dec 2014]  
(a) 2, 3 and 3, 3 (b) 3, 3 and 2, 3 (c) 3, 3 and 2, 2 (d) 2, 4 and 3, 2

### Questions with four marks

- 9) Carboxypeptidase contains [June 2011]  
(a) Zn(II) and hydrolyses CO<sub>2</sub>. (b) Mg(II) and hydrolyses CO<sub>2</sub>.  
(c) Zn(II) and hydrolyses peptide bonds. (d) Mg(II) and hydrolyses peptide bonds
- 10) The reduction of nitrogen to ammonia, carried out by the enzyme nitrogenase, needs, [Dec 2011]  
(a) 2 electrons (b) 4 electrons (c) 6 electrons (d) 8 electrons
- 11) In bacterial rubredoxin, the number of iron atoms, sulfur bridges and cysteine ligands are [Dec 2011]
- |     | Fe atom | sulfur bridge | cysteine |
|-----|---------|---------------|----------|
| (a) | 4       | 4             | 4        |
| (b) | 2       | 2             | 4        |
| (c) | 2       | 2             | 2        |
| (d) | 1       | 0             | 4        |

12) A metal ion that replace manganese (II) ion in mangano-proteins without changing its function, is

[Dec 2011]

- (a) Fe (II)                      (b) Zn (II)                      (c) Mg (II)                      (d) Cu (II)

13) The changes (from A-D given below) which occur when O<sub>2</sub> binds to hemerythrin are

[June 2012]

- (A) One iron atom is oxidized  
 (B) Both the iron atoms are oxidized  
 (C) O<sub>2</sub> binds to one iron atom and is also hydrogen bonded.  
 (D) O<sub>2</sub> binds to both the iron atoms and is also hydrogen bonded.

- (a) B and C                      (b) B and D                      (c) A and D                      (d) A and C

14) In metalloenzymes, the metal centres are covalently linked through the side chains of the amino acid residues. The correct set of amino acids which are involved in the primary coordination spheres of metalloenzymes is

[Dec 2012]

- (a) Ala, Leu, His                      (b) Glu, His, Cys                      (c) Leu, Glu, Cys                      (d) Ala, His, Glu

15) Based on the behavior of the metalloenzymes, consider the following statements

[Dec 2012]

- (A) In the enzymes, the zinc activates O<sub>2</sub> to form peroxide species.  
 (B) In the enzymes, the zinc activates H<sub>2</sub>O and provides a zinc bound hydroxide.  
 (C) In the oxidases, the iron activates O<sub>2</sub> to break the bonding between the two oxygens  
 (D) Zinc ion acts as a nucleophile and attacks at the peptide carbonyl

The set of correct statements is,

- (a) A and B                      (b) B and C                      (c) C and D                      (d) A and D

16) Fe<sup>2+</sup>-porphyrins fail to exhibit reversible oxygen transport and cannot differentiate CO from O<sub>2</sub>. However, the hemoglobin is free from both these pit falls. Among the following the correct set of statements is

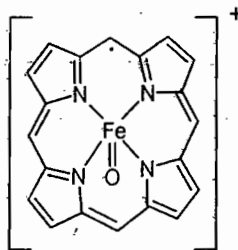
[Dec 2012]

- (A) Fe<sup>2+</sup>- porphyrins undergo  $\mu$ -oxodimer formation and the same is prevented in case of the hemoglobin.  
 (B) Fe-CO bond strength is much low in case of hemoglobin when compared to the Fe<sup>2+</sup>- porphyrins.  
 (C) While Fe-CO is linear, Fe-O<sub>2</sub> is bent and is recognized by hemoglobin  
 (D) The interlinked four monomeric units in the hemoglobin are responsible to overcome the pitfalls.

- (a) A and B                      (b) A and C                      (c) C and D                      (d) B and D

17) Oxidized form of enzyme catalase (structure A); prepared by the reaction of [Fe(P)]<sup>+</sup> (P = porphyrin) with H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> has a green color because of

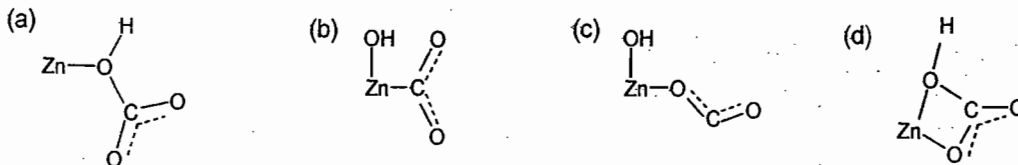
[Dec2013]



A ( substituents on ring are removed for clarity)

- (a) Oxidation state of iron changed from Fe<sup>III</sup> to Fe<sup>IV</sup>.  
 (b) Porphyrin ring is oxidized by one electron  
 (c)  $\pi$ - $\pi^*$  transition appears in the visible region  
 (d) Fe<sup>IV</sup> is coordinated with anionic tyrosinate ligand in axial position.

18) At pH 7, the zinc(II) ion in carbonic anhydrase reacts with CO<sub>2</sub> to give [June 2014]



19) The cooperative binding of O<sub>2</sub> in hemoglobin is due to

[June 2014]

- (a) a decrease in size of iron followed by changes in the protein conformation
- (b) an increase in size of iron followed by changes in the protein conformation
- (c) a decrease in size of iron that is NOT accompanied by the protein conformational changes
- (d) an increase in size of iron that is NOT accompanied by the protein conformational changes

20) Molybdoenzymes can both oxidize as well as reduce the substrates, because

[June 2014]

- (a) Mo(VI) is more stable than Mo(IV)
- (b) Mo(IV) can transfer oxygen atom to the substrate and Mo(VI) can abstract oxygen atom from the substrate
- (c) Conversion of Mo(VI) to Mo(IV) is not favoured
- (d) Mo(VI) can transfer oxygen atom to the substrate and Mo(IV) can abstract oxygen atom from the substrate.

21) Under physiological condition, oxygen is binding to deoxyhemoglobin and deoxymyoglobin, the binding curve and its pH dependence, respectively, are

[Dec 2014]

- (a) Sigmoidal and pH dependent; hyperbolic and pH independent
- (b) Hyperbolic and pH independent; sigmoidal and pH dependent
- (c) Sigmoidal and pH independent; hyperbolic and pH dependent
- (d) Hyperbolic and pH dependent; sigmoidal and pH independent

22) Match the metalloproteins in column A with their function in column B

[Dec 2014]

Column A

Column B

- |                                  |   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| I. Oxyhemocyanin                 | (A) hydrolysis of C-terminal peptide bond                           |
| II. Carbonic anhydrase           | (B) methylation   |
| III. Cytochrome P <sub>450</sub> | (C) conversion of CO <sub>2</sub> to H <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> |
| IV. Carboxy peptidase A          | (D) oxidation of alkene   |
|                                  | (E) oxygen storage  |
|                                  | (F) oxygen transport  |

The correct answer is

- (a) I-(F); II-(C); III-(D); IV-(A)
- (b) I-(E); II-(C); III-(A); IV-(F)
- (c) I-(F); II-(B); III-(C); IV-(A)
- (d) I-(E); II-(D); III-(C); IV-(A)

(Questions from GATE EXAM)

Questions with ONE OR TWO marks

23) The metal present at the active site of the protein carboxypeptidase A is

(GATE 2005)

- (a) zinc
- (b) molybdenum
- (c) magnesium
- (d) cobalt



24) Match the following items of column I with the appropriate items in column II

(GATE 2005)

Column I  
 P) cytochrome c  
 Q) calmodulin  
 R) Chlorophyll  
 S) Alcohol dehydrogenase

column II  
 I molybdenum  
 II potassium  
 III magnesium  
 IV zinc  
 V iron  
 VI calcium

R - III  
 P - V

- (a) P-I      Q-II      R-III      S-IV  
 (b) P-II      Q-III      R-IV      S-V  
 (c) P-V      Q-IV      R-VI      S-II  
 (d) P-V      Q-VI      R-III      S-IV

25) In biological systems, the metal ion involved in the dioxygen transport besides Fe is

(GATE 2006)

- (a) Co                      (b) Zn                      (c) Mg                      (d) Cu

26) Iron-sulphur clusters in biological systems are involved in

(GATE 2006)

- (a) proton transfer      (b) atom transfer      (c) group transfer      (d) electron transfer

27) The amino acid side chain high affinity for  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  in metallo-proteins is

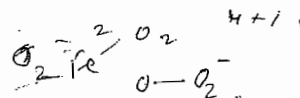
(GATE 2006)

- (a) Carboxylate in both the cases      (b) Imidazole in both the cases  
 (c) Carboxylate for  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  and imidazole for  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$       (d) Imidazole for  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  and carboxylate for  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$

28) When a reduced cytochrome transfers an electron from its Fe(II) to the bound  $\text{O}_2$ ,

(GATE 2006)

- (a) The bond order of  $\text{O}_2$  is reduced by one and  $\nu_{\text{O}_2}$  decreases  
 (b) A metal bound superoxide is formed and  $\nu_{\text{O}_2}$  decreases  
 (c) A metal bound superoxide is formed and  $\nu_{\text{O}_2}$  increases  
 (d) The bond order of  $\text{O}_2$  is reduced by one and  $\nu_{\text{O}_2}$  increases



29) In photosynthesis, the predominant metal present in the reaction centre of photo-system II is

(GATE 2007)

- (a) Zn                      (b) Cu                      (c) Mn                      (d) Fe

30) Zn in carbonic anhydrase is coordinated by three histidine and one water molecule. The reaction of  $\text{CO}_2$  with this enzyme is an example of

(GATE 2007)

- (a) electrophilic addition      (b) electron transfer      (c) nucleophilic addition      (d) electrophilic substitution

31) In biological systems, the metal ions involved in electron transport are

(GATE 2008)

- (a)  $\text{Na}^+$  and  $\text{K}^+$       (b)  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$       (c)  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$       (d)  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$

32) In the transformation of oxyhaemoglobin to deoxyhaemoglobin

[GATE 2009]

- (a)  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  in the low spin state changes to  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in the high spin state  
 (b)  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in the low spin state changes to  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  in the low spin state  
 (c)  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in the high spin state changes to  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in the low spin state  
 (d)  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in the high spin state changes to  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  in the high spin state

33) Among the following pair of metal ions present in Nature. The first one functions as an electron transfer agent and the second one catalyzes the hydrolysis reactions. The correct pair is

[GATE 2010]

- (a) Fe and Zn      (b) Mg and Fe      (c) Co and Mo      (d) Ca and Cu

34) A well known naturally occurring organometallic compound is (GATE 2011)

- (a) vitamin B<sub>12</sub> coenzyme (b) chlorophyll  
(c) cytochrome P-450 (d) myoglobin

35) The red color of oxyhaemoglobin is mainly due to the (GATE 2011)

- (a) d-d transition  
(b) metal to ligand charge transfer transition  
(c) ligand to metal charge transfer transition  
(d) intraligand  $\pi-\pi^*$  transition

36) Hemoglobin is an oxygen carrying protein. The correct statement about oxy-hemoglobin is that [GATE 2012]

- (a) the metal is low-spin in +3 oxidation state while dioxygen is in O<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> form  
(b) the metal is high-spin in +3 oxidation state while dioxygen is in O<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> form  
(c) the metal is low-spin in +3 oxidation state while dioxygen is in neutral form  
(d) the metal is high-spin in +3 oxidation state while dioxygen is in neutral form

37) Oxymyoglobin Mb(O<sub>2</sub>) and oxyhaemoglobin Hb(O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>, respectively, are [GATE 2013]

- (a) Paramagnetic and paramagnetic (b) Diamagnetic and diamagnetic  
(c) Paramagnetic and diamagnetic (d) Diamagnetic and paramagnetic

38) The number of oxygen molecule(s) that a molecule of hemerythrin can transport is [GATE 2013]

- (a) One (b) Two (c) Three (d) Four

39) Mg<sup>2+</sup> is preferred in photosynthesis by chlorophyll because [GATE 2014]

- (a) it has strong spin-orbit coupling (b) it has weak spin-orbit coupling  
(c) it is a heavy metal (d) it binds strongly with chlorophyll

← Answer Key →

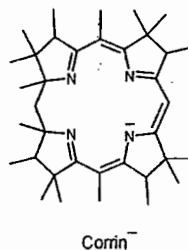
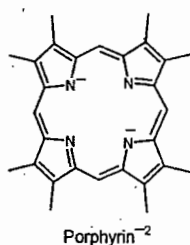
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| 1  | b | 2  | b | 3  | a | 4  | a | 5  | d | 6  | d | 7  | a | 8  | b | 9  | c | 10 | d |
| 11 | a | 12 | c | 13 | a | 14 | b | 15 | b | 16 | b | 17 | a | 18 | a | 19 | a | 20 | d |
| 21 | a | 22 | a | 23 | a | 24 | d | 25 | d | 26 | d | 27 | c | 28 | b | 29 | c | 30 | c |
| 31 | d | 32 | a | 33 | a | 34 | a | 35 | d | 36 | a | 37 | b | 38 | a | 39 | b |    |   |

**Hints & Solution**

1) **Ans (b)**:- The ligand system present in vitamin B<sub>12</sub> is Corrin.

Macrocycle ligand:- The porphyrin group was first identified in haemoglobin (Fe) and a similar macrocycle is found in chlorophyll (Mg). The corrin ligand has a slightly smaller ring size and coordinates Co in cobalamin.



2) **Ans (b)**:- Superoxide dismutase converts superoxide ion into oxygen and hydrogen peroxide. It contains the Cu (II) and Zn(II) metal ions

3) **Ans (a)**:- Met-hemoglobin is a form of hemoglobin that contains ferric [Fe<sup>3+</sup>] iron. Met-hemoglobin cannot bind oxygen, unlike oxyhemoglobin. In human blood a trace amount of methemoglobin is normally produced spontaneously, but when present in excess the blood becomes abnormally dark bluish brown & disorder is known as Met-hemoglobinemia or blue skin syndrome

4) **Ans (a)**:- Mn & Ru are not biologically essential elements.

5) **Ans (c)**:- Patients suffering from Wilson's disease have high level of copper-storage protein, ceruloplasmin (Cu accumulation)

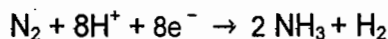
6) **Ans (d)**:- High dose of dietary supplement ZnSO<sub>4</sub> for the cure of Zn deficiency reduces copper, iron and calcium levels in body

7) **Ans (a)**:- The extent of  $\pi$  electron conjugation in macrocyclic rings:-  
heme > chlorophyll > coenzyme B<sub>12</sub>

8) **Ans (b)**:- The number of histidine amino acid nitrogen atoms coordinated to bimetallic active site of oxyhemocyanin and oxyhemerythrin; (from the structure) are 3, 3 and 2, 3 respectively.

9) **Ans (c)**:- Carboxypeptidase contains Zn(II) and hydrolyses peptide bonds (catalyses the cleavage of a peptide link in a polypeptide chain.)

10) **Ans (d)**:- The reduction of nitrogen to ammonia, carried out by the enzyme nitrogenase needs 8e<sup>-</sup>

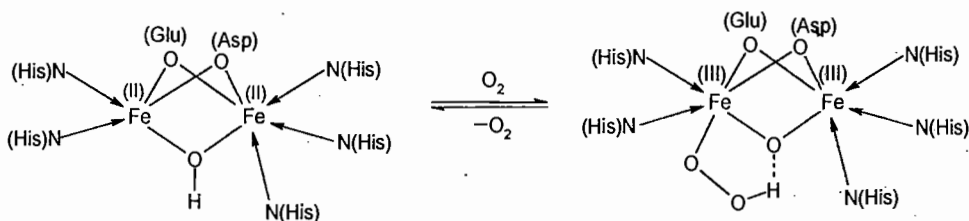


11) **Ans (a)**:- In bacterial rubredoxin, the number of iron atoms, sulfur bridges and cysteine ligands are 4, 4 & 4 respectively

| Fe atom | sulfur bridge | cysteine | Example                                   |
|---------|---------------|----------|---|
| 2       | 2             | 4        | spinach ( <i>Spinacia oleracea</i> )      |
| 3       | 4             | 3        | bacterium <i>Azotobacter vinelandii</i> , |
| 4       | 4             | 4        | bacterium <i>Chromatium vinosum</i> .     |

12) **Ans (c)**:- EPR studies showed that, Mn<sup>2+</sup>, an ion which can often replace Mg<sup>2+</sup> in nucleic acid processing enzymes.

13) **Ans (a):-** Both the iron atoms are oxidized when  $O_2$  binds to hemerythrin i.e.  $Fe^{II}$  to  $Fe^{III}$ .  $O_2$  binds to only one iron atom by peroxide linkage and hydrogen on hydroxyl group participates in  $O_2$  binding, becoming part of an  $[HO_2]^-$  ligand.



14) **Ans (b):-** Amino acid namely Glutamate, histidine and cysteine are involved in the primary coordination spheres of metalloenzymes.

15) **Ans (b):-** In the enzymes, the zinc acts as a Lewis acid & activates  $H_2O$  and provides a zinc bound hydroxide & in the oxidases, the iron activates  $O_2$  to break the bonding between the two oxygens. Oxidases are the metalloenzymes that catalyse the reduction of  $O_2$  to  $H_2O$  and, at the same time, an organic substrate undergoes a one electron oxidation i.e.  $RH$  to  $ROH$

16) **Ans (b):-**  $Fe^{2+}$ - porphyrins undergo  $\mu$ -oxodimer formation and the same is prevented in case of the hemoglobin &  $Fe-CO$  is linear,  $Fe-O_2$  is bent and is recognized by hemoglobin (In hemoglobin end-on, bent coordination mode of the  $O_2$  group which is not possible in case of linear  $CO$ ).  
Evidences for the end-on, bent coordination mode of the  $O_2$  :-  $O-O$  bond length is 125pm and the  $Fe-O-O$  bond angle is  $136.8^\circ$ . The vibrational spectrum of the complex also suggest end-on, bent coordination mode of the  $O_2$

17) **Ans (a):-** Oxidation state of iron changed from  $Fe^{III}$  to  $Fe^{IV}$ .

18) **Ans (a):-** At pH 7, the zinc(II) ion in carbonic anhydrase reacts with  $CO_2$  to give  $(His)_3Zn^+-OH-CO_2^-$   
 $(His)_3Zn^+-OH + CO_2 \longrightarrow (His)_3Zn^+-OH-CO_2^-$

19) **Ans (a):-** The cooperative binding of  $O_2$  in hemoglobin is due to a decrease in size of iron ( $Fe^{II}$  to  $Fe^{III}$ ).  $Fe^{+3}$  moves into the plane of the porphyrin ring followed by changes in the protein conformation.

20) **Ans (d):-** Molybdoenzymes can both oxidize as well as reduce the substrates, because  $Mo(VI)$  (oxidized form) can transfer oxygen atom to the substrate and  $Mo(IV)$  (reduced form) can abstract oxygen atom from the substrate

21) **Ans (a):-** The binding curve and its pH dependence, when oxygen is binding to deoxyhemoglobin is sigmoidal and pH dependent and in case of deoxymyoglobin; it is hyperbolic and pH independent

22) **Ans (a):-**

| Column I             | Column II                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Oxyhemocyanin        | oxygen transport                      |
| Carbonic anhydrase   | conversion of $CO_2$ to $H_2CO_3$     |
| Cytochrome $P_{450}$ | oxidation of alkene                   |
| Carboxy peptidase A  | hydrolysis of C-terminal peptide bond |

23) **Ans (a):-** Tetrahedrally coordinated  $Zn^{2+}$  ion is present at the active site of the protein carboxypeptidase A

24) **Ans (d):-**

| Column I              | Column II |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| cytochrome c          | iron      |
| calmodulin            | calcium   |
| Chlorophyll           | magnesium |
| Alcohol dehydrogenase | zinc      |

- 25) Ans (d):-** Haemocyanins are O<sub>2</sub>-carrying copper-containing proteins in molluscs (e.g. whelks, snails, and squid) and arthropods (e.g. lobsters, crabs, shrimps, horseshoe crabs, scorpions), and although the name suggests the presence of a haem group, haemocyanins are not haem proteins. The deoxy-form of a haemocyanin is colourless and contains Cu(I), while O<sub>2</sub> binding results in the blue Cu(II) form.
- 26) Ans (d):-** Iron-sulphur clusters in biological systems are involved in biological redox reactions. (electron transfer)
- 27) Ans (c):-** Hint:- Concept of HSAB:- Hard nucleophiles tend to react hard acid (metal) & Soft nucleophiles tend to react soft acid (metal). Carboxylate (Hard base) for Ca<sup>2+</sup> (Hard acid) and imidazole (Borderline base) for Cu<sup>2+</sup> (Borderline Acids)
- 28) Ans (b):-** A metal bound superoxide is formed and V<sub>O<sub>2</sub></sub> decreases as bond order decreases.  

$$O_2 \text{ (bond order 2)} \rightarrow O_2^- \text{ (bond order 1.5)}$$
- 29) Ans (c):-** Mn is the predominant metal present in the reaction centre of photo-system II
- 30) Ans (c):-** The reaction of CO<sub>2</sub> with this enzyme is an example of nucleophilic addition; (water adds to CO<sub>2</sub> molecule)
- $$(\text{His})_3\text{Zn}^+-\text{OH} + \text{CO}_2 \longrightarrow (\text{His})_3\text{Zn}^+-\text{OCO}_2\text{H}$$
- 31) Ans (d):-** In biological systems, Cu<sup>2+</sup> and Fe<sup>3+</sup> are involved in electron transport reaction. (A characteristic property of d-block elements is their ability to exhibit a variety of oxidation states in their compounds.)  
*i.e.* Cu<sup>2+</sup> → Cu<sup>+</sup> & Fe<sup>3+</sup> → Fe<sup>2+</sup>
- 32) Ans (a):-** In the transformation of oxyhaemoglobin to deoxyhaemoglobin; Fe<sup>3+</sup> in the low spin state changes to Fe<sup>2+</sup> in the high spin state
- 33) Ans (a):-** Fe is an electron transfer agent and Zn catalyzes the hydrolysis reactions.
- 34) Ans (a):-** Vitamin B<sub>12</sub> coenzyme is an organometallic as there is a Co-C bond (metal-carbon bond).
- 35) Ans (d):-** The red color of oxyhaemoglobin is mainly due to the intraligand π-π\* transition.
- 36) Ans (a):-** In oxy- haemoglobin the metal Fe is low-spin in +3 oxidation state while dioxygen is in O<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> form
- 37) Ans (b):-** Both Oxymyoglobin Mb(O<sub>2</sub>) and oxy haemoglobin Hb(O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>, are diamagnetic. O<sub>2</sub> binding to deoxymyoglobin and deoxy haemoglobin, result in oxidation of high-spin Fe(II) to low- spin Fe(III) and reducing O<sub>2</sub> to [O<sub>2</sub>]<sup>-</sup>. Both low-spin Fe(III) (d<sup>5</sup>) and [O<sub>2</sub>]<sup>-</sup> contain an unpaired electron, but due to antiferromagnetic coupling between the Fe(III) centre and [O<sub>2</sub>]<sup>-</sup> ligand; oxy-forms of both oxymyoglobin Mb(O<sub>2</sub>) and oxyhaemoglobin Hb(O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>, are therefore diamagnetic.
- 38) Ans (a):-** In marine invertebrates such as annelids (segmented earthworms), molluscs and arthropods, O<sub>2</sub> is transported by haemerythrin, (a non-haem Fe-containing protein). Hemerythrin can transport one oxygen molecule.
- 39) Ans (b):-** Mg<sup>2+</sup> is preferred in photosynthesis by chlorophyll because it has weak spin-orbit coupling

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## Topic 7

# TERM SYMBOL AND ELECTRONIC SPECTROSCOPY

### Questions with two marks

- 1) The term symbol of a molecule with electronic configuration  $(1\sigma_g)^2 (1\sigma_u)^2 (2\sigma_g)^2 (2\sigma_u)^2 (1\pi_u)^1 (1\pi_u)^1$  is [June 2011]
- (a)  $1\Sigma_g^+$                       (b)  $1\Sigma_g^-$                       (c)  $3\Sigma_g^-$                       (d)  $3\Sigma_g^+$
- 2) The term symbol for the ground state of nitrogen atom is [Dec 2011]
- (a)  $3P_0$                       (b)  $4P_{3/2}$                       (c)  $1P_1$                       (d)  $4S_{3/2}$
- 3) The electric dipole allowed transition in a  $d^2$  atomic system is [Dec 2012]
- (a)  $3F \longrightarrow 1D$                       (b)  $3F \longrightarrow 1P$                       (c)  $3F \longrightarrow 3D$                       (d)  $3F \longrightarrow 3P$
- 4) What is the atomic term symbol for helium atom with electronic configuration  $1s^2$ ? [June 2013]
- (a)  $2S_{1/2}$                       (b)  $1P_0$                       (c)  $1S_0$                       (d)  $1S_1$
- 5) The Mulliken symbols for the spectroscopic states arising from the free-ion term F are [June 2013]
- (a)  $T_{2g} + E_g$                       (b)  $T_{1g} + T_{2g} + T_{1u}$                       (c)  $T_{1g} + T_{2g} + A_{2g}$                       (d)  $A_{1g} + T_{2g} + T_{1g}$
- 6) Calculate the total number of microstates for 6 identical particles with their occupation numbers {1, 2, 3} in three states is [June 2013]
- (a) 6                      (b) 12                      (c) 60                      (d) 720
- 7) Three bands in the electronic spectrum of  $[\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{+3}$  are due to the following transitions [June 2013]
- (A)  $4A_{2g} \longrightarrow 4T_{1g}$                       (B)  $4A_{2g} \longrightarrow 4T_{2g}$                       (C)  $4A_{2g} \longrightarrow 2E_g$
- Identify the correct statement about them
- (a) Intensity of (A) is lowest                      (b) Intensity of (C) is lowest  
 (c) Intensities of (A), (B) and (C) are similar                      (d) Intensities of (B) and (C) are similar
- 8) In the presence of an external magnetic field (normal Zeeman effect), the transition  $1D_2 \longrightarrow 1P_1$  splits into [June 2013]
- (a) 9 lines                      (b) 8 lines                      (c) 7 lines                      (d) 6 lines
- 9) The term symbol that is NOT allowed for the  $np^2$  configuration is [June 2014]
- (a)  $1D$                       (b)  $3P$                       (c)  $1S$                       (d)  $3D$
- 10) The S and L values for  $^{15}\text{N}$  atom respectively are [Dec 2014]
- (a)  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 1                      (b)  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 0  
 (c) 1 and 0                      (d)  $\frac{3}{2}$  and 0

**Questions with four marks**

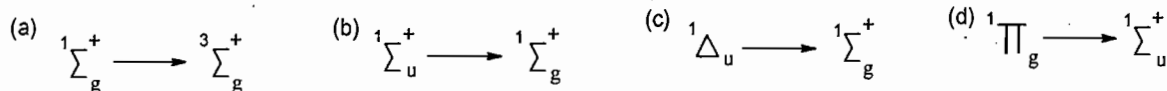
11) The possible J values for  $^3D$  term symbol are

[June 2011]

- (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5

12) Observe the following electronic transitions of a diatomic molecule.

[Dec 2011]



The allowed transitions are

- (a) (A) and (C) only (b) (B) and (D) only  
(c) (A), (B) and (C) only (d) (A), (C) and (D) only

13) One of the excited states of Ti has the electronic configuration  $[\text{Ar}] 4s^2 3d^1 4p^1$ . The number of microstates with zero total spin (S) for this configuration is

[Dec 2012]

- (a) 9 (b) 15 (c) 27 (d) 60

14) The ground state term symbol for Nb (atomic number 41) is  $^6D$ . The electronic configuration corresponding to this term symbol is

[June 2013]

- (a)  $[\text{Kr}] 4d^3 5s^2$  (b)  $[\text{Kr}] 4d^4 5s^1$  (c)  $[\text{Kr}] 4d^5 5s^0$  (d)  $[\text{Kr}] 4d^3 5s^1 5p^1$

15) The ground state term of  $\text{Sm}^{3+}$  and  $\text{Eu}^{3+}$  respectively, are

[Dec 2013]

- (a)  $^7F_0$  and  $^6H_{5/2}$  (b)  $^6H_{5/2}$  and  $^7F_0$  (c)  $^2F_{5/2}$  and  $^5I_4$  (d)  $^7F_6$  and  $^2F_{7/2}$

16) For an electronic configuration of two non-equivalent  $\pi$  electrons  $[\pi^1, \pi^1]$  which of the following terms is not possible?

[Dec 2013]

- (a)  $^1\Sigma$  (b)  $^3\Sigma$  (c)  $^3\Delta$  (d)  $^3\Phi$

17) In its electronic spectrum,  $[\text{V}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$  exhibits two absorption bands, one at 17,800 ( $\nu_1$ ) and the second at 25,700 ( $\nu_2$ )  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The correct assignment of these bands, respectively, is

[June 2014]

- (a)  $\nu_1 = ^3T_{1g}(\text{F}) \longrightarrow ^3T_{2g}(\text{F})$  ;  $\nu_2 = ^3T_{1g}(\text{F}) \longrightarrow ^3T_{1g}(\text{P})$   
(b)  $\nu_1 = ^3T_{1g}(\text{F}) \longrightarrow ^3T_{1g}(\text{P})$  ;  $\nu_2 = ^3T_{1g}(\text{F}) \longrightarrow ^3T_{2g}(\text{P})$   
(c)  $\nu_1 = ^3A_{2g} \longrightarrow ^3T_{1g}(\text{F})$  ;  $\nu_2 = ^3A_{2g} \longrightarrow ^3T_{2g}(\text{F})$   
(d)  $\nu_1 = ^3A_{2g} \longrightarrow ^3T_{2g}(\text{F})$  ;  $\nu_2 = ^3A_{2g} \longrightarrow ^3T_{1g}(\text{F})$

18) An aqueous solution of  $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  complex is pale pink in color. The probable reasons for it are

[Dec 2014]

- A. presence of  $^6A_{1g}$  ground state B. disallowed transition by spin selection rule  
C. presence of  $^2T_{2g}$  ground state D. charge transfer transition

The correct answer is

- (a) A and B (b) A and C (c) B and C (d) C and D

- 19) The spin-only magnetic moment and the spectroscopic ground state term symbol of manganese centre in  $[\text{MnF}_6]^{3-}$  ion respectively, are [Dec 2014]
- (a) 4.9 BM and  ${}^5\text{D}$  (b) 4.9 BM and  ${}^4\text{F}$   
 (c) 3.9 BM and  ${}^3\text{D}$  (d) 4.9 BM and  ${}^3\text{F}$

- 20) The configuration  $[\text{Ne}]2p^13p^1$  has a  ${}^3\text{D}$  term. Its levels are [Dec 2014]

- (a)  ${}^3\text{D}_{3/2}, {}^3\text{D}_{1/2}$  (b)  ${}^3\text{D}_{5/2}, {}^3\text{D}_{3/2}, {}^3\text{D}_{1/2}$   
 (c)  ${}^3\text{D}_3, {}^3\text{D}_2, {}^3\text{D}_1$  (d)  ${}^3\text{D}_3, {}^3\text{D}_2, {}^3\text{D}_1, {}^3\text{D}_0$

- 21) The number of microstates that are possible, when two particles are distributed in four states such that the resulting wave functions are antisymmetric with respect to exchange of the particles, is [Dec 2014]
- (a) 16 (b) 12 (c) 8 (d) 6

**(Questions from GATE EXAM)**

**Questions with ONE OR TWO marks**

- 22) The ground state term for  $\text{V}^{+3}$  ion is [GATE 2007]
- (a)  ${}^3\text{F}$  (b)  ${}^2\text{F}$  (c)  ${}^3\text{P}$  (d)  ${}^2\text{D}$

- 23) The spectroscopic ground state symbol and the total number of electronic transitions of  $[\text{Ti}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  are [GATE 2008]
- (a)  ${}^3\text{T}_{1g}$  and 2 (b)  ${}^3\text{A}_{2g}$  and 3 (c)  ${}^3\text{T}_{1g}$  and 3 (d)  ${}^3\text{A}_{2g}$  and 2

- 24) The lowest energy state of the  $(1s)^2(2s)^1(3s)^1$  configuration of Be is [GATE 2008]
- (a)  ${}^1\text{S}_0$  (b)  ${}^1\text{D}_2$  (c)  ${}^3\text{S}_1$  (d)  ${}^3\text{P}_1$

- 25) The crystal field symbol for the ground state of  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$  is [GATE 2010]
- (a)  ${}^2\text{T}_{2g}$  (b)  ${}^1\text{A}_{1g}$  (c)  ${}^5\text{E}_g$  (d)  ${}^6\text{A}_{1g}$

- 26) The crystal field stabilization energy (CFSE) value, for  $[\text{Ti}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$  that has an absorption maximum at 492 nm is [GATE 2011]
- (a)  $20,325 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (b)  $12,195 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (c)  $10,162 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (d)  $8,130 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

- 27) Choose the allowed transition [GATE 2012]
- (a)  ${}^1\Sigma_g^+ \rightarrow {}^3\Sigma_u^+$  (b)  ${}^1\Sigma_g^+ \rightarrow {}^3\Sigma_u^-$  (c)  ${}^1\Sigma_g^+ \rightarrow {}^1\Sigma_u^+$  (d)  ${}^1\Sigma_g^+ \rightarrow {}^1\Sigma_u^-$

- 28) The ground states of high-spin octahedral and tetrahedral  $\text{Co}(\text{II})$  complexes are, respectively [GATE 2012]
- (a)  ${}^4\text{T}_{2g}$  and  ${}^4\text{A}_2$  (b)  ${}^4\text{T}_{1g}$  and  ${}^4\text{A}_2$   
 (c)  ${}^3\text{T}_{1g}$  and  ${}^4\text{A}_2$  (d)  ${}^4\text{T}_{1g}$  and  ${}^3\text{T}_1$

- 29) The ground state term of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  is [GATE 2013]
- (a)  ${}^3\text{T}_{1g}$  (b)  ${}^3\text{T}_{2g}$  (c)  ${}^3\text{A}_{2g}$  (d)  ${}^4\text{T}_{1g}$

- 30) The number of microstates in term  ${}^1\text{G}$  is [GATE 2014]
- (a) 13 (b) 11 (c) 9 (d) 7



Answer Key

Topic: 7:- Term Symbol and electronic spectroscopy

|    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |
|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|
| 1  | c | 2  | d | 3  | c | 4  | c | 5  | c | 6  | c | 7  | b | 8  | a | 9  | d | 10 | d |
| 11 | b | 12 | b | 13 | b | 14 | b | 15 | b | 16 | d | 17 | a | 18 | a | 19 | a | 20 | c |
| 21 | d | 22 | a | 23 | c | 24 | c | 25 | a | 26 | a | 27 | c | 28 | b | 29 | c | 30 | c |

Hint & solution

1) Ans (c):- The molecular term symbol is represented as:  $^{2S+1}|M_L|$

| Molecular orbital (HOMO) | $ M_L $ | Letter   |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|
| $\sigma$                 | 0       | $\Sigma$ |
| $\pi$                    | 1       | $\Pi$    |
| $\delta$                 | 2       | $\Delta$ |

The molecule electronic configuration:-  $(1\sigma_g)^2(1\sigma_u)^2(2\sigma_g)^2(2\sigma_u)^2(1\pi_u)^1(1\pi_u)^1$

HOMO is  $(1\pi_u)^1(1\pi_u)^1$ ;  $2S+1 = 2(1/2 + 1/2) + 1 = 3$

$|M_L| = m_{l1} + m_{l2} = (+1) + (-1) = 0 \therefore |M_L| = 0$  that is  $\Sigma$

The symmetry of  $(1\pi_u)^1(1\pi_u)^1$  is  $u \times u = g$

The sign is negative (-) for unpaired electrons in  $\pi$  orbital while positive (+) for paired electrons in  $\pi$  orbital;

Therefore the complete molecular term symbol is  $^3\Sigma_g^-$

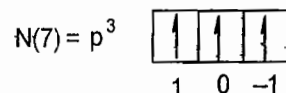
2) Ans (d):- The term symbol is represented as:  $^{2S+1}L_J$

S is the total spin quantum number.  $2S + 1$  is the spin multiplicity:

L is the total orbital quantum number in spectroscopic notation.

|     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|-----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| L = | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
|     | S | P | D | F | G | H | I | K | L | M | N  | O  | Q  | R  | T  | U  | V  |

J is the total angular momentum quantum number,  $J = |L+S|$  for more than half filled &  $|L-S|$  for less than half filled;



Thus  $L = 0$ ;  $S = 3/2$  &  $J = |L+S| = |0 + 3/2| = 3/2$

The term symbol is :-  $^{2S+1}L_J = ^4S_{3/2}$

3) Ans (c):- For electronic transition selection rule is:-  $\Delta S = 0$ ;  $\Delta l = \pm 1$  &  $\Delta J = 0, \pm 1$

${}^3F \rightarrow {}^1D$ ;  $\Delta S \neq 0 \therefore$  it is spin forbidden transition.

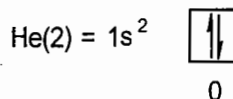
${}^3F \rightarrow {}^1P$ ;  $\Delta S \neq 0$  &  $\Delta l \neq \pm 1 \therefore$  it is spin as well as laporte forbidden transition.

${}^3F \rightarrow {}^3P$ ;  $\Delta S = 0$  but  $\Delta l \neq \pm 1 \therefore$  it is spin allowed but laporte forbidden transition.

${}^3F \rightarrow {}^3D$ ;  $\Delta S = 0$ ;  $\Delta l = \pm 1 \therefore$  it is spin allowed as well as laporte allowed.

Therefore according to a selection rule the electric dipole allowed transition is  ${}^3F \rightarrow {}^3D$

4) Ans (c):-



Thus  $L = 0$ ;  $S = 0$  &  $J = 0$

The term symbol is :-  ${}^{2S+1}L_J = {}^1S_0$

5) Ans (c):-The Mulliken symbols for the spectroscopic states

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| S (1)  | $A_{1g}$                                       |
| P (3)  | $T_{1g}$                                       |
| D (5)  | $E_g, T_{2g}$                                  |
| F (7)  | $A_{2g}, T_{1g}, T_{2g}$                       |
| G (9)  | $A_{1g}, E_g, T_{1g}, T_{2g}$                  |
| H (11) | $E_g, 2 \times T_{1g}, T_{2g}$                 |
| I (13) | $A_{1g}, A_{2g}, E_g, T_{1g}, 2 \times T_{2g}$ |

The Mulliken symbols for the spectroscopic states arising from the free-ion term for F is  $T_{1g} + T_{2g} + A_{2g}$

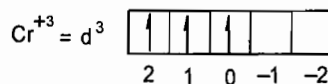
6) Ans (c):- The total number of microstates for N identical particles with their occupation numbers {1, 2, 3} in three states is given by

$$\text{Total number of microstates} = \frac{N!}{n_x!n_y!n_z!}$$

Identical particles (N) = 6; the states  $\{n_x, n_y, n_z\} = \{1, 2, 3\}$

$$\therefore \text{Total number of microstates} = \frac{6!}{1!2!3!} = 60$$

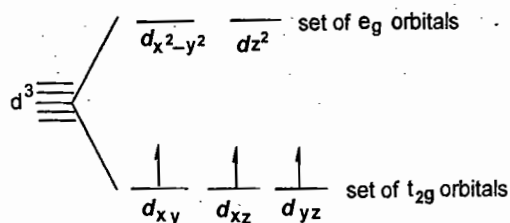
7) Ans (b):-  $[\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{+3}$  that is  $\text{Cr}^{+3}$  ion & it is  $d^3$  system



Thus  $L = 3$ ;  $S = 3/2 \therefore$  The term symbol is :-  ${}^{2S+1}L = {}^4F$

The free-ion term for F is  $T_{1g} + T_{2g} + A_{2g}$

Splitting pattern of  $\text{Cr}^{+3}$  ion in  $[\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{+3}$



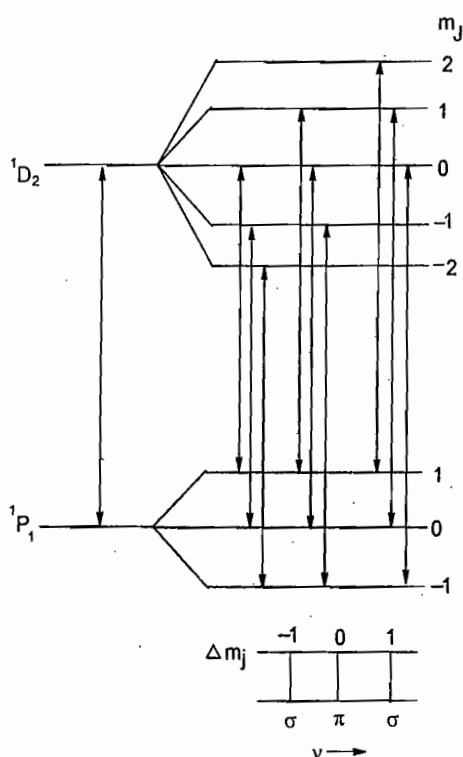
The ground state spectroscopic term is  ${}^4A_{2g}$  & according to Orgel diagram it has three types of transition:-

$${}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{2g}; {}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g} \text{ \& } {}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g}(P)$$

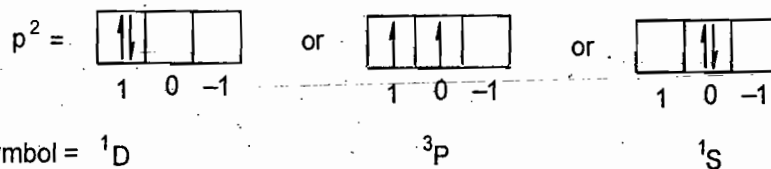
All the above three transitions are spin allowed but transition  ${}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^2E_g$  is spin forbidden (according to a spin selection rule). Therefore, the intensity of this transition is lowest among the three.

8) Ans (a):- In the presence of an external magnetic field (normal Zeeman effect), the transition

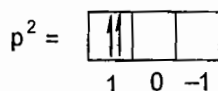
${}^1D_2 \rightarrow {}^1P_1$  splits into 9 lines



9) Ans (d):- The possible arrangements of electrons for  $np^2$  configuration & their term symbols are:



${}^3D$  term symbol that is NOT allowed for the  $np^2$  configuration as it is violating the Pauli Exclusion Principle

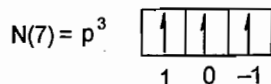


Term symbol =  ${}^3D$  (not possible)

10) Ans (d):-  ${}^{15}\text{N}$  is an isotope of  ${}^{14}\text{N}$  (Isotopes are nuclides of a particular element that differ in the number of neutrons with the same number of electrons)







Thus  $L = 0$ ;  $S = 3/2$  &  $J = |L+S| = |0 + 3/2| = 3/2$

The term symbol is :-  $^{2S+1}L_J = {}^4S_{3/2}$ .

- 11) Ans (b):- For  ${}^3D$  term symbol;  $S = 1$  & for D term  $L = 2$   
Possible values of  $J = |L+S|$  to  $|L-S| = |2+1|$  to  $|2-1| = 3, 2, 1$   
∴ The possible J values for  ${}^3D$  term symbol are 3

- 12) Ans (b):- The allowed transitions are (b) & (d) in options

| Selection Rules for Electronic Transitions in Diatomic Molecules |  |
|--|--|
| Allowed Transitions  | Examples   |
| $\Delta\Lambda = 0, \pm 1$                                       | $\Sigma \leftrightarrow \Sigma, \Pi \leftrightarrow \Pi, \Sigma \leftrightarrow \Pi, \Delta \leftrightarrow \Pi$                                 |
| $\Delta S = 0$   | ${}^1\Sigma \leftrightarrow {}^1\Sigma, {}^3\Pi \leftrightarrow {}^3\Pi, {}^1\Sigma \leftrightarrow {}^1\Pi, {}^3\Sigma \leftrightarrow {}^3\Pi$ |
| $+\leftrightarrow +$   | $\Sigma^+ \leftrightarrow \Sigma^+$  |
| $-\leftrightarrow -$   | $\Sigma^- \leftrightarrow \Sigma^-$  |
| $g \leftrightarrow u$  | $\Sigma_g^+ \leftrightarrow \Sigma_u^+, \Sigma_g^- \leftrightarrow \Pi_u$  |

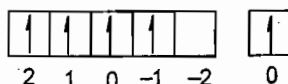
- 13) Ans (b):- The number of microstates of the excited states of Ti with electronic configuration  $[\text{Ar}] 4s^2 3d^1 4p^1$  with zero total spin (S) are 15.

The number of microstates of  $d^1$  with zero total spin (S) =  $(2L + 1)(2S + 1) = 2(2) + 1 = 5$  &

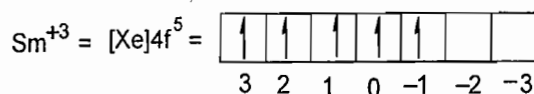
The number of microstates of  $p^1$  with zero total spin (S) =  $(2L + 1)(2S + 1) = 2(1) + 1 = 3$

The total number of microstates of  $d^1 p^1$  with zero total spin (S) =  $5 \times 3 = 15$

- 14) Ans (b):- The ground state term symbol for Nb (atomic number 41) is  ${}^6D$  & for this term symbol the value of L is 2 & S is  $= 5/2$ . The only electronic configuration corresponding to the value of L & S is  $[\text{Kr}] 4d^4 5s^1$



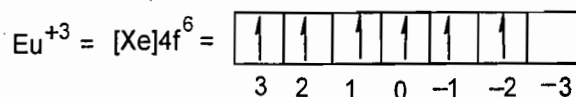
- 15) Ans (b):- The ground state term of  $\text{Sm}^{3+}$  is



Thus  $L = 5$ ;  $S = 5/2$  &  $J = |L-S| = |5 - 5/2| = 5/2$

The term symbol is :-  $^{2S+1}L_J = {}^6H_{5/2}$

The ground state term of  $\text{Eu}^{3+}$  is



Thus  $L = 3$ ;  $S = 3$  &  $J = |L-S| = |3 - 3| = 0$

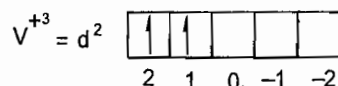
The term symbol is :-  $^{2S+1}L_J = {}^7F_0$

Thus the ground state term of  $\text{Sm}^{3+}$  and  $\text{Eu}^{3+}$  respectively, are  ${}^6H_{5/2}$  and  ${}^7F_0$

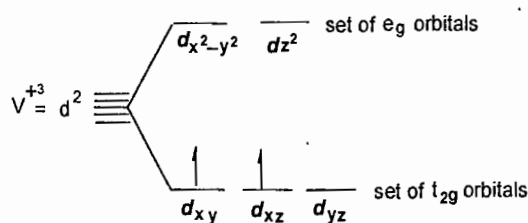
16) Ans (d):- For an electronic configuration of two non-equivalent  $\pi$  electrons  $[\pi^1, \pi^1]$  value of  $m_l$  is 1 & value of  $M_L = |m_l + m_l|, \dots, |m_l - m_l| = 2, 1, 0$ ; Thus spectroscopic state term  ${}^3\Phi$  is not possible.

| $M_L$ | spectroscopic state |
|-------|---------------------|
| 0     | $\Sigma$            |
| 1     | $\Pi$               |
| 2     | $\Delta$            |
| 3     | $\Phi$              |

17) Ans (a):- In  $[\text{V}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$ ; V is in +3 oxidation state i.e.  $d^2$  system



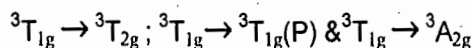
Thus  $L = 3$ ;  $S = 1$  ∴ The term symbol is :-  ${}^{2S+1}L = {}^3F$



Ground state term =  ${}^3T_{1g}$

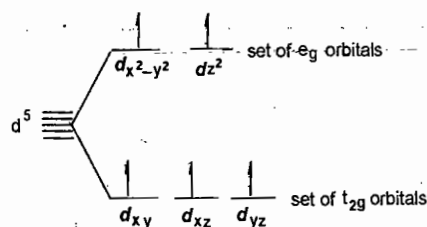
The free-ion term for  ${}^3F$  is  ${}^3T_{1g} + {}^3T_{2g} + {}^3A_{2g}$

The ground state spectroscopic term is  ${}^3T_{1g}$  & according to Orgel diagram it has three type of transition:-



| Electronic transition                        | absorption band         |
|--|-------------------------|
| ${}^3T_{1g} \rightarrow {}^3T_{2g} (V_1)$    | $17800 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ |
| ${}^3T_{1g} \rightarrow {}^3T_{1g}(P) (V_2)$ | $25700 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ |

18) Ans (a):- According to spin selection rule; the transition is spin forbidden in  $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  complex ion

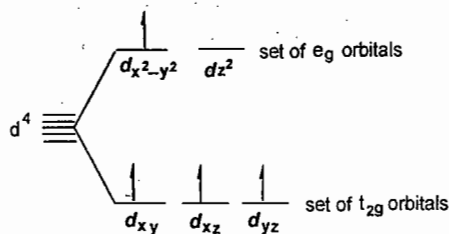


$\text{Mn}^{+2}$  in high spin octahedral complexes

Ground state term =  ${}^6A_{1g}$

Therefore the correct reason for pale pink color of  $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  complex is the presence of  ${}^6A_{1g}$  ground state & disallowed transition by spin selection rule

19) Ans (a):-



$Mn^{+3}$  in high spin octahedral complexes

Ground state term symbol =  $^5D$

The spin-only magnetic moment =  $\sqrt{n(n+2)} = \sqrt{4(4+2)} = \sqrt{24} = 4.9$

The spectroscopic ground state term symbol:  $L = 2$ ;  $S = 2 \therefore$  The term symbol is :-  $^{2S+1}L = ^5D$

20) Ans (c):- The configuration  $[Ne]2p^13p^1$  has a  $^3D$

For term  $L = 2$  &  $S = 1$  & possible values of  $J = |L+S|$  to  $|L-S| = |2+1|$  to  $|2-1| = 3, 2, 1$

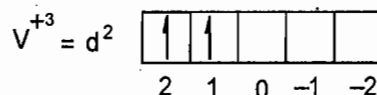
The configuration  $[Ne]2p^13p^1$  has a  $^3D$  term. Its levels are  $^3D_3$ ,  $^3D_2$ ,  $^3D_1$

21) Ans (d):- Total number of microstates =  $\frac{N!}{r!(N-r)!}$

Given  $N = 4$  &  $r = 2$

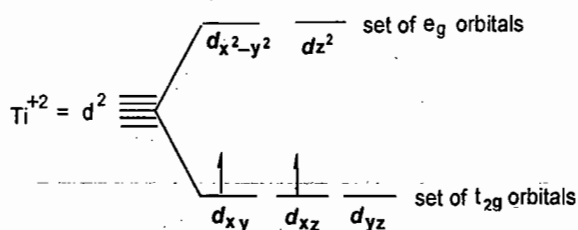
$$\therefore \text{Total number of microstates} = \frac{4!}{2!(4-2)!} = 6$$

22) Ans (a):- V is in +3 oxidation state i.e.  $d^2$  system



Thus  $L = 3$ ;  $S = 1 \therefore$  The term symbol is :-  $^{2S+1}L = ^3F$

23) Ans (c):- The spectroscopic ground state symbol and the total number of electronic transitions of  $[Ti(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$  are  $^3T_{1g}$  and 3

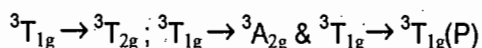


Ground state term =  $^3T_{1g}$

Thus  $L = 3$ ;  $S = 1 \therefore$  The term symbol is :-  $^{2S+1}L = ^3F$

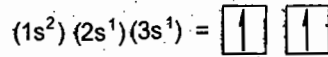
The free-ion term for  $^3F$  is  $^3T_{1g} + ^3T_{2g} + ^3A_{2g}$

The ground state spectroscopic term is  $^3T_{1g}$  & according to Orgel diagram it has three type of transition:-



24) Ans (c):- The lowest energy state of the  $(1s)^2 (2s)^1 (3s)^1$  configuration of Be is  $^3S_1$



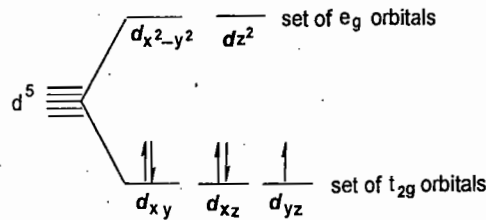


Resultant  $S = 1$  & Resultant  $L = 0$

Thus  $L = 0$ ;  $S = 1$  &  $J = |L+S| = |0 + 1| = 1$

The term symbol is :-  $^{2S+1}L_J = {}^3S_1$

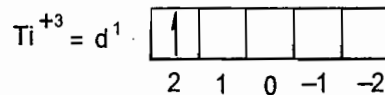
25) Ans (a):- The crystal field symbol for the ground state of  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$  is  ${}^2T_{2g}$



$\text{Mn}^{+2}$  in low spin octahedral complexes

Ground state term =  ${}^2T_{2g}$

26) Ans (a):-



Thus  $L = 2$ ;  $S = \frac{1}{2}$   $\therefore$  The term symbol is:-  $^{2S+1}L = {}^2D$

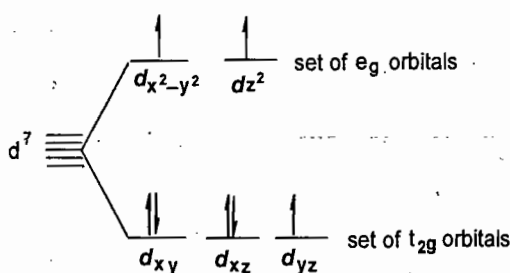
The term for  ${}^2D$  is  ${}^2T_{2g} + {}^2E_g$

Given:- absorption maxima ( $\lambda$ ) = 492nm ( $492 \times 10^{-7}$ cm)

$\therefore$  In the case of  $d^1$  system  $\text{CFSE} = \text{frequency}(\nu) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{492 \times 10^{-7}} = 20325 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

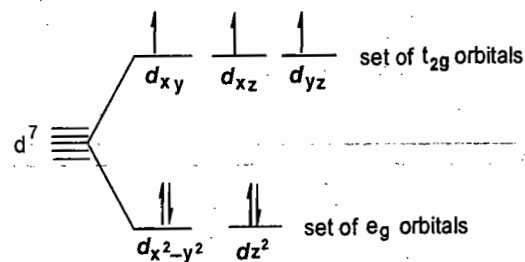
27) Ans (c):- The allowed transition  ${}^1\Sigma_g^+ \rightarrow {}^1\Sigma_u^+$  (Refer the chart of Q.no. 12 )

28) Ans (b):- The ground states of high-spin octahedral and tetrahedral  $\text{Co}(\text{II})$  complexes are  ${}^4T_{1g}$  and  ${}^4A_2$  respectively



$\text{Co}^{+2}$  in high spin octahedral complexes

Ground state term =  ${}^4T_{1g}$



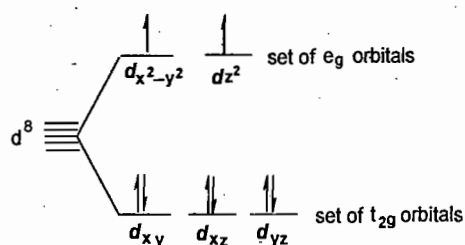
$\text{Co}^{+2}$  in tetrahedral complexes

Ground state term =  ${}^4A_2$

As  $L = 3$ ;  $S = 3/2$   $\therefore$  The term symbol is :-  $^{2S+1}L = {}^4F$

The free-ion term for  ${}^4F$  is  ${}^4T_{1g} + {}^4T_{2g} + {}^4A_{2g}$

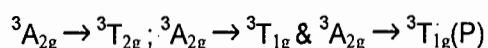
29) Ans (c):- The ground state term of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  is  ${}^3A_{2g}$  (according to the Orgel diagram)



Thus  $L = 3$ ;  $S = 1$   $\therefore$  The term symbol is :-  ${}^{2S+1}L = {}^3F$

The free-ion term for  ${}^3F$  is  ${}^3T_{1g} + {}^3T_{2g} + {}^3A_{2g}$

The ground state spectroscopic term is  ${}^3A_{2g}$  & according to Orgel diagram it has three types of transition:-



30) Ans (c):- The number of microstates in term  ${}^1G$  is 9 (for G;  $L = 4$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The number of microstates for this type of term} &= (2S+1)(2L+1) \\ &= 1 \times [2(4)+1] = 9 \end{aligned}$$

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## Topic 8

# ORGANO-METALLIC CHEMISTRY & CATALYSIS

### Questions with two marks

1) In Ziegler-Natta catalysis the commonly used catalyst system is [June 2011]

- (a)  $\text{TiCl}_4, \text{Al}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5)_3$  (b)  $(\eta^5\text{-Cp})_2\text{TiCl}_2, \text{Al}(\text{OC}_2\text{H}_5)_3$   
 (c)  $\text{VO}(\text{acac})_2, \text{Al}_2(\text{CH}_3)_6$  (d)  $\text{TiCl}_4, \text{BF}_3$

2) Oxidation occurs very easily in case of [June 2011]

- (a)  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Fe}$  (b)  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Co}$  (c)  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Ru}$  (d)  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Co}^+$

3) Complex in which organic ligand is having only  $\sigma$ -bond with metal is [June 2011]

- (a)  $\text{W}(\text{CH}_3)_6$  (b)  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Fe}$  (c)  $\text{K}[\text{PtCl}_3(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)]$  (d)  $(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)_2\text{Ru}$

4) The correct combination of metal, number of carbonyl ligands and the charge for a metal carbonyl complex  $[\text{M}(\text{CO})_x]^{z-}$  that satisfies the 18 electron rule is [Dec2011]

- (a)  $\text{M} = \text{Ti}, x = 6, z = 1$  (b)  $\text{M} = \text{V}, x = 6, z = 1$   
 (c)  $\text{M} = \text{Co}, x = 4, z = 2$  (d)  $\text{M} = \text{Mo}, x = 5, z = 1$

5) The stable cyclopentadienyl complex of beryllium is [Dec2011]

- (a)  $[\text{Be}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2]$  (b)  $[\text{Be}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^3\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)]$   
 (c)  $[\text{Be}(\eta^1\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^3\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)]$  (d)  $[\text{Be}(\eta^1\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)]$

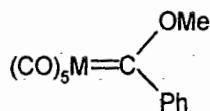
6) For a reaction,  $\text{trans}[\text{IrCl}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_2] + \text{Cl}_2 \longrightarrow \text{trans}[\text{IrCl}_3(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$  the correct observation [June 2012]

- (a)  $\nu_{\text{CO}}(\text{product}) > \nu_{\text{CO}}(\text{reactant})$  (b)  $\nu_{\text{CO}}(\text{product}) < \nu_{\text{CO}}(\text{reactant})$   
 (c)  $\nu_{\text{CO}}(\text{product}) = \nu_{\text{CO}}(\text{reactant})$  (d)  $\nu_{\text{CO}}(\text{product}) = \nu_{\text{CO}}(\text{free CO})$

The substitution of  $\eta^5\text{-Cp}$  group with nitric oxide is the easiest for [Dec2012]

- (a)  $\eta^5\text{-Cp}_2\text{Fe}$  (b)  $\eta^5\text{-Cp}_2\text{CoCl}$  (c)  $\eta^5\text{-Cp}_2\text{Ni}$  (d)  $\eta^5\text{-Cp}_2\text{Co}$

The molecule shown below obeys 18 e rule. The two 'M' satisfying the condition are [Dec2012]



- (a)  $\text{Cr}, \text{Re}^+$  (b)  $\text{Mo}, \text{V}$  (c)  $\text{V}, \text{Re}^+$  (d)  $\text{Cr}, \text{V}$

The ligand in uranocene is [June 2013]

- (a)  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_8^{2-}$  (b)  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_5^{2-}$  (c)  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$  (d)  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_4^{2-}$

In metal-olefin interaction, the extent of increase in metal  $\rightarrow$  olefin  $\pi$ -back donation would [June 2013]

- a) lead to a decrease in  $\text{C} = \text{C}$  bond length  
 b) change the formal oxidation state of the metal  
 c) change the hybridization of the olefin carbon from  $\text{sp}^2$  to  $\text{sp}^3$ .  
 d) increase with the presence of electron donating substituent on the olefin.

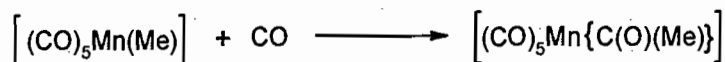
11) The oxidation state of molybdenum in  $[(\eta^7\text{-tropylium})\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3]^+$  is [June 2013]

- (a) +2 (b) +1 (c) 0 (d) -1

12) The number of metal-metal bonds in  $[\text{W}_2(\text{OPh})_6]$  is: [June 2013]

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4

13) The reaction given below is an example of [June 2013]



- (a) oxidative addition (b) electrophilic substitution  
(c) nucleophilic substitution (d) migratory insertion

14) Which of the following is NOT suitable as catalyst for hydroformylation? [Dec 2013]

- (a)  $\text{HCo}(\text{CO})_4$  (b)  $\text{HCo}(\text{CO})_3\text{PBU}_3$  (c)  $\text{HRh}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_3$  (d)  $\text{H}_2\text{Rh}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}$

15) The ligand(s) that is (are) fluxional in  $[(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^1\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2]$  in the temperature range 221–298K, is (are) [June 2014]

- (a)  $\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5$  (b)  $\eta^1\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5$  (c)  $\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5$  and CO (d)  $\eta^1\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5$  and CO

16) The oxidation state of Ni and number of metal-metal bonds in  $[\text{Ni}_2(\text{CO})_6]^{2-}$  that are consistent with the 18 electron rule are [June 2014]

- (a) Ni (-II), 1 bond (b) Ni (IV), 2 bond (c) Ni (-I), 1 bond (d) Ni (IV), 3 bonds

17) The product of the reaction of propene, CO and  $\text{H}_2$  in the presence of  $\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8$  as a catalyst is [Dec 2014]

- (a) Butanoic acid (b) Butanal (c) 2-butanone (d) Methylpropanoate

18) The hapticities 'x' and 'y' of the arene moieties in the diamagnetic complex  $[(\eta^x\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)\text{Ru}(\eta^y\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)]$  respectively are [Dec 2014]

- (a) 6 and 6 (b) 4 and 4 (c) 4 and 6 (d) 6 and 2

19) Reductive elimination step in hydrogenation of alkenes by Wilkinson catalyst results in (neglecting solvent in coordination sphere of Rh) [Dec 2014]

- (a) T-shaped  $[\text{Rh}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}]$  (b) Trigonal-planar  $[\text{Rh}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}]^{2+}$   
(c) T-shaped  $[\text{Rh}(\text{H})(\text{PPh}_3)\text{Cl}]^+$  (d) Trigonal-planar  $[\text{Rh}(\text{H})(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$

#### Questions with four marks

20) The oxidative addition and reductive elimination steps are favoured by [June 2011]

- (a) Electron rich metal centers.  
(b) Electron deficient metal centers.  
(c) Electron deficient and electron rich metal centers respectively.  
(d) Electron rich and electron deficient metal centers respectively.

21) Identify the order according to increasing stability of the following organometallic compounds,  $\text{TiMe}_4$ ,  $\text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_4$ ,  $\text{Ti}(i\text{-Pr})_4$  and  $\text{TiEt}_4$ . [June 2011]

- (a)  $\text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_4 < \text{Ti}(i\text{-Pr})_4 < \text{TiEt}_4 < \text{TiMe}_4$  (b)  $\text{TiEt}_4 < \text{TiMe}_4 < \text{Ti}(i\text{-Pr})_4 < \text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_4$   
(c)  $\text{Ti}(i\text{-Pr})_4 < \text{TiEt}_4 < \text{TiMe}_4 < \text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_4$  (d)  $\text{TiMe}_4 < \text{TiEt}_4 < \text{Ti}(i\text{-Pr})_4 < \text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_4$

- 22) Among the metals, Mn, Fe, Co and Ni, the ones those would react in its native form directly with CO giving metal carbonyl compounds are [June 2011]  
 (a) Co and Mn (b) Mn and Fe (c) Fe and Ni (d) Ni and Co
- 23) In the hydroformylation reaction, the intermediate  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Co}(\text{CO})_4$  [June 2011]  
 (a) Forms an acyl intermediate  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{COCO}(\text{CO})_3$   
 (b) Forms an adduct with an olefin reactant.  
 (c) Reacts with  $\text{H}_2$ .  
 (d) Eliminates propane.
- 24) Reaction of  $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_5$  with  $\text{OH}^-$  leads to complex A which on oxidation with  $\text{MnO}_2$  gives B. Compounds A and B respectively are [Dec2011]  
 (a)  $[\text{HFe}(\text{CO})_4]^-$  and  $\text{Fe}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$  (b)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_5(\text{OH})]^-$  and  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$   
 (c)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_4]^{2-}$  and  $\text{Mn}_2(\text{CO})_{10}$  (d)  $[\text{HFe}(\text{CO})_4]^-$  and  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$
- 25) The number of metal-metal bonds in the dimers  $[\text{CpFe}(\text{CO})(\text{NO})]_2$  and  $[\text{CpMo}(\text{CO})_3]_2$  respectively, are [Dec2011]  
 (a) two and two (b) two and three (c) one and two (d) zero and one
- 26) In the  $\text{trans-PtCl}_2\text{L}(\text{CO})$  complex, the CO stretching frequency for  $\text{L} = \text{NH}_3$ , pyridine,  $\text{NMe}_3$  decreases in the order [Dec2011]  
 (a) pyridine >  $\text{NH}_3$  >  $\text{NMe}_3$  (b)  $\text{NH}_3$  > pyridine >  $\text{NMe}_3$   
 (c)  $\text{NMe}_3$  >  $\text{NH}_3$  > pyridine (d) pyridine >  $\text{NMe}_3$  >  $\text{NH}_3$
- 27) The greater stability of  $((\text{CH}_3)_3\text{C}-\text{CH}_2^-)_4\text{Ti}$  (A) compared to that of  $((\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CH}-\text{CH}_2^-)_4\text{Ti}$  (B) due to [Dec2011]  
 (a) Hyperconjugation present in complex (A)  
 (b)  $\beta$ -hydride elimination is not possible in complex (A)  
 (c) Steric protection of titanium from reactive species in complex (A)  
 (d) The stronger nature of Ti-C bond in complex (A).
- 28) A compound A having the composition  $\text{FeC}_9\text{H}_8\text{O}_3$  shows one signal at 2.5 ppm and another one around 5.0 ppm in its  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum. The IR spectrum of this compound shows two bands around 1900 and  $1680\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The compound follows the 18 electron rule of the following statements for A, the correct one is/are [Dec2011]  
 (A) It has  $\eta^5$ -Cp group (B) It has terminal CO ligand  
 (C) It has  $\text{CH}_3$  ligand (D) It has Fe-H bond  
 (a) (A) and (B) only (b) (C) only (c) (A) and (C) only (d) (B) and (D) only.
- 29) The carbonyl resonance in  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\eta^5-\text{C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Rh}(\text{CO})]_3$  ( $^{103}\text{Rh}$ , nuclear spin,  $I = 1/2$ , 100%) shows a triplet at  $-65^\circ\text{C}$  owing to the presence of [June 2012]  
 (a) Terminal CO (b)  $\mu_2$ -CO (c)  $\mu_3$ -CO (d)  $\eta^5-\text{C}_5\text{H}_5$
- 30) The complex that **DOES NOT** obey 18- electron rule is: [June 2012]  
 (a)  $[(\eta^5-\text{C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{RuCl}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)]$  (b)  $[\text{W}(\text{CO})_3(\text{SiMe}_3)(\text{Cl})(\text{NCMe}_2)_2]$   
 (c)  $[\text{IrCl}_3(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{AsPh}_2)]^-$  (d)  $[\text{Os}(\text{N})\text{Br}_2(\text{PMe}_3)(\text{NMe}_2)]^-$
- 31) The final product of the reaction  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_6]^+ + \text{MeLi} \longrightarrow$  is [June 2012]  
 (a)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_6]^+ \text{Me}^-$  (b)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5\text{Me}]$  (c)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_6]$  (d)  $[(\text{MeCO})\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5]$

32) Complexes of general formula,  $\text{fac-}[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{phosphines})_3]$  have the C–O stretching bands as given below. Phosphines:-  $\text{PF}_3$ (A);  $\text{PCl}_3$ (B);  $\text{P}(\text{Cl})\text{Ph}_2$ (C);  $\text{PMe}_3$ (D)

$\nu_{\text{CO}} \text{ cm}^{-1} = 2090$ (i);  $2040$ (ii);  $1977$ (iii);  $1945$ (iv)

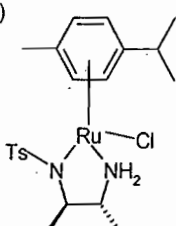
The correct combination of the phosphine and the stretching frequency is, [Dec2012]

- (a) (A-i), (B-ii), (C-iii), (D-iv) (b) (A-ii), (B-i), (C-iv), (D-iii)  
 (c) (A-iv), (B-iii), (C-ii), (D-i) (d) (A-iii), (B-iv), (C-i), (D-ii)

33) In the cluster  $[\text{Co}_3(\text{CH})(\text{CO})_9]$  obeying 18 electron rule, the number of metal-metal bonds and the bridging ligands respectively, are [Dec2012]

- (a) 3 and 1 CH (b) 0 and 3 CO (c) 3 and 1 CO (d) 6 and 1 CH

34) Consider the catalyst in column-I and reaction in column-II [Dec2012]

| Column - I  | Column - II                       |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| A) $[(R)\text{-BINAP}]\text{Ru}^{-2}$   | i) Hydroformylation               |
| B) $[\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2\text{I}_2]^{-}$   | ii) Asymmetric hydrogenation      |
| C) $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$  | iii) Asymmetric hydrogen transfer |
| D)  | iv) Heck coupling                 |

The best match of a catalyst of column-I with the reaction under column-II is

- (a) (A-ii), (B-i), (C-iv), (D-iii) (b) (A-i), (B-ii), (C-iii), (D-iv)  
 (c) (A-iii), (B-i), (C-iv), (D-ii) (d) (A-iv), (B-iii), (C-ii), (D-i)

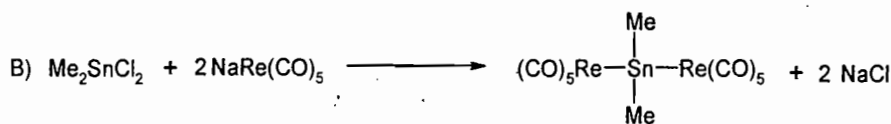
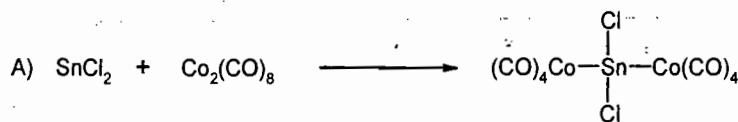
35) Which one of the following will NOT undergo oxidative addition by methyl iodide? [Dec2012]

- (a)  $[\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2\text{I}_2]^{-}$  (b)  $[\text{Ir}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{CO})\text{Cl}]$   
 (c)  $[\eta^5\text{-CpRh}(\text{CO})_2]$  (d)  $[\eta^5\text{-Cp}_2\text{Ti}(\text{Me})\text{Cl}]$

36) In hydroformylation reaction using  $[\text{Rh}(\text{PPh}_3)_3(\text{CO})(\text{H})]$  as the catalyst, addition of excess  $\text{PPh}_3$  would [Dec2012]

- (a) increase the rate of reaction (b) decrease the rate of reaction.  
 (c) not influence the rate of reaction (d) stop the reaction.

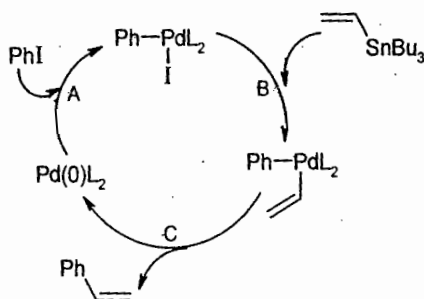
37) Reactions A and B are, termed as respectively. [Dec2012]



- (a) Insertion, Metathesis (b) Metathesis, insertion  
 (c) Oxidative addition, metathesis (d) Oxidative addition, insertion

38) Consider the following reaction mechanism

[Dec2012]



The steps A, B and C, respectively, are

- (a) Oxidative addition; transmetallation; reductive elimination.
- (b) Oxidative addition; carbopalladation;  $\beta$ -hydride elimination.
- (c) Carbopalladation; transmetallation; reductive elimination.
- (d) Metal halogen exchange; transmetallation; metal extrusion.

39) Though cyclobutadiene ( $C_4H_4$ ) is highly unstable and readily polymerizes in its free state, its transition metal complexes could be isolated because

[June 2013]

- (a) it engages in long-range interaction with transition metals.
- (b) it gains stability due to formation of  $C_4H_4^{2-}$  on binding to transition metals.
- (c) its polymerization ability reduces in presence of transition metal.
- (d) it becomes stable in presence of transition metals due to formation of  $C_4H_4^{2+}$ .

40) The number of metal-metal bonds in  $Ir_4(CO)_{12}$  is

[June 2013]

- (a) 4
- (b) 6
- (c) 10
- (d) 12

41) The orders of reactivity of ligands,  $NMe_3$ ,  $PMe_3$  and CO with complexes  $MeTiCl_3$  and  $(CO)_5Mo(thf)$  are

[June 2013]

- (a)  $CO > PMe_3 > NMe_3$  and  $CO > NMe_3 > PMe_3$
- (b)  $PMe_3 > CO > NMe_3$  and  $NMe_3 > CO > PMe_3$
- (c)  $NMe_3 > PMe_3 > CO$  and  $CO > PMe_3 > NMe_3$
- (d)  $NMe_3 > CO > PMe_3$  and  $PMe_3 > NMe_3 > CO$

42) The correct statement regarding terminal/bridging CO groups in solid  $Co_4(CO)_{12}$  and  $Ir_4(CO)_{12}$  is

[Dec2013]

- (a) both have equal number of bridging CO groups
- (b) number of bridging CO groups in  $Co_4(CO)_{12}$  is 4
- (c) the number of terminal CO groups in  $Co_4(CO)_{12}$  is 8
- (d) the number of bridging CO groups in  $Ir_4(CO)_{12}$  is zero.

43) On reducing  $Fe_3(CO)_{12}$  with an excess of sodium, a carbonylate ion is formed. The iron is isoelectronic

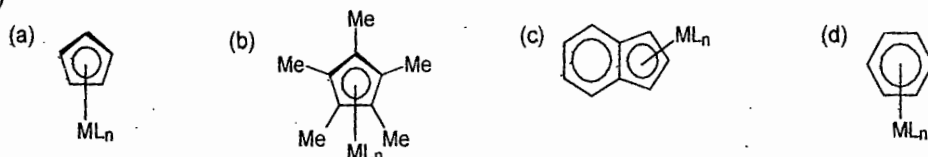
With

[Dec2013]

- (a)  $[Mn(CO)_5]^-$
- (b)  $[Ni(CO)_4]$
- (c)  $[Mn(CO)_5]^+$
- (d)  $[V(CO)_6]^-$

44) Substitution of L with other ligands will be easiest for the species

[Dec2013]



- 45)  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $[\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5]\text{Rh}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)_2$  at  $-20^\circ\text{C}$  shows a typical AA' XX' pattern in the olefinic region. On increasing the temperature to  $\sim 70^\circ\text{C}$ , the separate lines collapse into a single line which is due to [June 2014]
- (a) free rotation of the ethylene ligand about the metal-olefin bond  
 (b) intramolecular exchange between the ethylene ligands  
 (c) intermolecular exchange between the ethylene ligands  
 (d) change in hapticity of the cyclopentadienyl ligand
- 46) Reaction of nitrosyl tetrafluoroborate to Vaska's complex gives complex A with an  $\angle\text{M-N-O} = 124^\circ$ . The complex A and its N-O stretching frequency are, respectively [June 2014]
- (a)  $[\text{IrCl}(\text{CO})(\text{NO})(\text{PPh}_3)_2]\text{BF}_4$ ,  $1620\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (b)  $[\text{IrCl}(\text{CO})(\text{NO})_2(\text{PPh}_3)](\text{BF}_4)_2$ ,  $1730\text{ cm}^{-1}$   
 (c)  $[\text{IrCl}(\text{CO})(\text{NO})_2(\text{PPh}_3)](\text{BF}_4)_2$ ,  $1520\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (d)  $[\text{IrCl}(\text{CO})(\text{NO})(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$ ,  $1820\text{ cm}^{-1}$
- 47)  $\text{Na}[\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5]\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2$  reacts with  $\text{Br}_2$  to give A. Reaction of A with  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  results in B. The proton NMR spectrum of B consists of two singlets of relative intensity 5:1. Compounds A and B, respectively are [Dec 2014]
- (a)  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2\text{Br}$  and  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2\text{H}$  (b)  $(\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2\text{Br}_2$  and  $(\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2\text{HBr}$   
 (c)  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2\text{Br}$  and  $(\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2(\text{H})_2$  (d)  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2\text{Br}$  and  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2\text{HBr}$
- 48)  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of free benzene shows a peak at  $\sim 7.2$  ppm. The expected chemical shift (in ppm) of  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$  ligand in  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $[\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6]\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_3$  and the reason for it, if any, is/are [Dec 2014]
- (a) 4.5; disruption of ring current  
 (b) 9.0; inductive effect  
 (c) 7.2  
 (d) 2.5; combination of inductive effect and disruption of ring current.
- 49) Complexes of  $\text{HM}(\text{CO})_5$  and  $[\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5]\text{M}'(\text{CO})_3$  obey the 18-electron rule. Identify M and M' and their  $^1\text{H}$  NMR chemical shifts relative to TMS. [Dec 2014]
- (a)  $\text{M} = \text{Mn}$ ,  $-7.5$ ;  $\text{M}' = \text{Cr}$ ,  $4.10$  (b)  $\text{M} = \text{Cr}$ ,  $4.10$ ;  $\text{M}' = \text{Mn}$ ,  $-7.5$   
 (c)  $\text{M} = \text{V}$ ,  $-7.5$ ;  $\text{M}' = \text{Cr}$ ,  $4.10$  (d)  $\text{M} = \text{Mn}$ ,  $10.22$ ;  $\text{M}' = \text{Fe}$ ,  $2.80$
- 50) The compound that undergoes oxidative addition reaction in presence of  $\text{H}_2$  is [Dec 2014]
- (a)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5]^-$  (b)  $[\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5]\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3^-$  (c)  $\text{IrCl}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_2$  (d)  $[\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{ReH}]$

(Questions from GATE EXAM)Questions with ONE OR TWO marks

- 51) The neutral complex which follows the 18-electron rule is [GATE 2005]
- (a)  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2$  (b)  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3$  (c)  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Co}$  (d)  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Re}(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)$
- 52) For the metal-olefin complexes (i)  $[\text{PtCl}_3(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)]^-$  and (ii)  $[\text{PtCl}_3(\text{C}_2\text{F}_4)]^-$ , the Correct statement is that [GATE 2005]
- (a) Carbon-carbon bond length is same both in (i) and (ii)  
 (b) Carbon-carbon bond length in (i) is smaller compared to that of (ii)  
 (c) Carbon-carbon bond length in (i) is larger compared to that of (ii)  
 (d) a metallacycle is formed in each complex



53) The values of M-C stretching frequencies of (i)  $[\text{V}(\text{CO})_6]^-$ , (ii)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6]$  and (iii)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_6]^+$  follow the trend (GATE 2005)

- (a) (ii)>(i)>(iii)      (b) (ii)>(iii)>(i)      (c) (i)>(ii)>(iii)      (d) (iii)>(ii)>(i)

54) Match the following items of column I with the appropriate items in column II (GATE 2005)

Column I

- P) Wilkinsons catalyst  
Q) speiers catalyst  
R) Water gas shift catalyst  
S) Zeolite ZSM-5 catalyst

column II

- I Trans-IrCl(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>  
II Hydrosilylation  
III RhCl(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>  
IV Synthetic gasoline  
V Hydroformylation  
VI Zinc- copper oxide

- (a) P-III, Q-II, R-VI, S-IV      (b) P-I, Q-V, R-III, S-IV  
(c) P-V, Q-II, R-VI, S-IV      (d) P-III, Q-VI, R-IV, S-II

55) The CORRECT order of the CO stretching vibrational frequency is (GATE 2006)

- (a)  $[\text{Ti}(\text{CO})_6]^{2-} > [\text{V}(\text{CO})_6]^- > \text{CO} > [\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6]$       (b)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6] > \text{CO} > [\text{V}(\text{CO})_6]^- > [\text{Ti}(\text{CO})_6]^{2-}$   
(c)  $\text{CO} > [\text{V}(\text{CO})_6]^- > [\text{Ti}(\text{CO})_6]^{2-} > [\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6]$       (d)  $\text{CO} > [\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6] > [\text{V}(\text{CO})_6]^- > [\text{Ti}(\text{CO})_6]^{2-}$

56) Zn in carbonic anhydrase is coordinated by three histidine and one water molecule.

The reaction of CO<sub>2</sub> with this enzyme is an example of (GATE 2007)

- (a) electrophilic addition      (b) electron transfer  
(c) nucleophilic addition      (d) electrophilic substitution

57) Match the compounds in List I with the corresponding structure / property given in List II (GATE 2007)

List I

- (A) (Ph<sub>3</sub>P)<sub>3</sub>RhCl  
(B) LiC<sub>6</sub>  
(C) PtF<sub>6</sub>  
(D) Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>4</sub>

List II

- (i) Spinel  
(ii) Intercalation  
(iii) Oxidising agent  
(iv) Catalyst for alkene hydrogenation

- (a) (A-iii) (B-i) (C-ii) (D-iv)      (b) (A-iv) (B-ii) (C-iii) (D-i)  
(c) (A-iii) (B-ii) (C-i) (D-iv)      (d) (A-iv) (B-iii) (C-ii) (D-i)

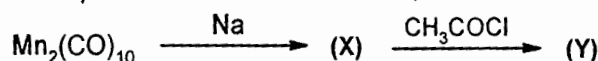
58) W(CO)<sub>6</sub> reacts with MeLi to give an intermediate which upon treatment with CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub> gives a compound X, X is represented as (GATE 2007)

- (a) WMe<sub>6</sub>      (b) (CO)<sub>5</sub>W-Me      (c) (CO)<sub>5</sub>W=C(Me)OMe      (d) (CO)<sub>5</sub>W≡CMe

59) In the complexes  $[\text{Ni}_2(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2(\text{CO})_2]$  the IR stretching frequency appears at 1857cm<sup>-1</sup> (strong) and 1897cm<sup>-1</sup> (weak). The valence electron count and the nature of the M-CO bond respectively are (GATE 2007)

- (a) 16 e<sup>-</sup>, bridging      (b) 17 e<sup>-</sup>, bridging      (c) 18 e<sup>-</sup>, terminal      (d) 18 e<sup>-</sup>, bridging

60) In the reaction shown below, X and Y respectively are (GATE 2007)



- (a)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_4]^{2-}$ ,  $[\text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{O})\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5]^{1-}$       (b)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5]^-$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{O})\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5$   
(c)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5]^-$ ,  $[\text{Cl Mn}(\text{CO})_5]$       (d)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5]^{2-}$ ,  $[\text{Cl Mn}(\text{CO})_5]^-$

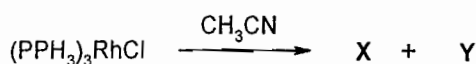
- 61) The catalyst used in the conversion of ethylene to acetaldehyde using Wacker process is (GATE 2007)  
 (a)  $\text{HCo}(\text{CO})_4$  (b)  $[\text{PdCl}_4]^{2-}$   
 (c)  $\text{V}_2\text{O}_5$  (d)  $[\text{TiCl}_4]$  in presence of  $\text{Al}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5)_3$

- 62) The number of M-M bonds in  $\text{Ir}_4(\text{CO})_{12}$  are (GATE 2008)  
 (a) four (b) six (c) eight (d) zero

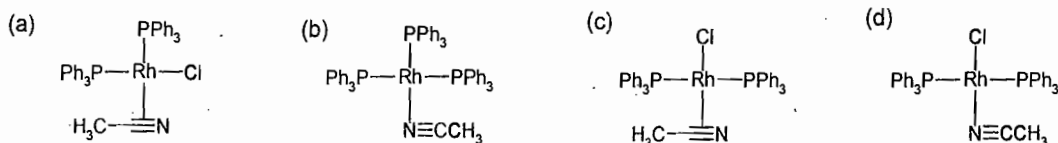
- 63) Schrock carbenes are  
 (a) triplets and nucleophilic (b) triplets and electrophilic  
 (c) singlets and nucleophilic (d) singlets and electrophilic

Consider a reaction for Linked Answer Questions ( 64 and 65) (GATE 2008)

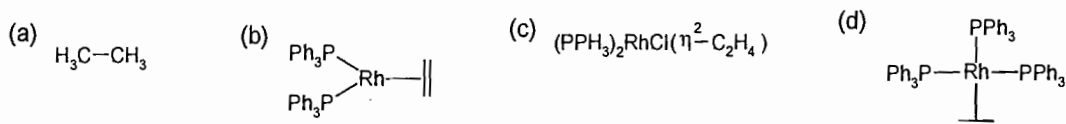
In the reaction,



- 64) Compound X is



- 65)  $\text{Rh}(\text{PPh}_3)_3\text{Cl}$  reacts very fast with a gaseous mixture of  $\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  to immediately give Z. The structure of Z is



- 66) The number of metal - metal bonds in  $[(\text{C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})]_2$  is [GATE 2009]  
 (a) zero (b) one (c) two (d) three

- 67) The correct order of  $\nu_{\text{CO}}$  for the compounds  $[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{NMe}_3)_3]$ ;  $[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{P}(\text{OPh})_3)_3]$ ;  $[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PMe}_3)_3]$ ;  $[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PCl}_3)_3]$  in the IR spectrum is [GATE 2009]

- (a)  $[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{NMe}_3)_3] > [\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{P}(\text{OPh})_3)_3] > [\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PMe}_3)_3] > [\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PCl}_3)_3]$   
 (b)  $[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PCl}_3)_3] > [\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{NMe}_3)_3] > [\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{P}(\text{OPh})_3)_3] > [\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PMe}_3)_3]$   
 (c)  $[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PCl}_3)_3] > [\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{P}(\text{OPh})_3)_3] > [\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PMe}_3)_3] > [\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{NMe}_3)_3]$   
 (d)  $[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PMe}_3)_3] > [\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{NMe}_3)_3] > [\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PCl}_3)_3] > [\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{P}(\text{OPh})_3)_3]$

- 68) The reaction between  $[\text{PdCl}_4]^{2-}$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  produces a new compound compared to free  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  the C-C bond order of the product is [GATE 2010]  
 (a) between 1 and 2 (b) less than 1 (c) unaltered (d) greater than 2

- 69) Structurally nickelocene is similar to ferrocene. Nickelocene attains stability due to formation of [GATE 2010]  
 (a) a monocation (b) a dication (c) a monoanion (d) a dianion

- 70) A well known naturally occurring organometallic compound is (GATE 2011)  
 (a) vitamin  $\text{B}_{12}$  coenzyme (b) chlorophyll (c) cytochrome P-450 (d) myoglobin

- 71) The total number of metal-metal bonds in  $\text{Ru}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$  and  $\text{Co}_4(\text{CO})_{12}$ , respectively, is [GATE 2011]  
 (a) 3 and 6 (b) 4 and 5 (c) zero and 4 (d) 3 and 4
- 72) The product of the reaction between  $\text{CH}_3\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5$  and  $^{13}\text{CO}$  is [GATE 2011]  
 (a)  $(\text{CH}_3\ ^{13}\text{CO})\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5$  (b)  $(\text{CH}_3\text{CO})\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_4(^{13}\text{CO})$   
 (c)  $(^{13}\text{CH}_3\text{CO})\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5$  (d)  $\text{CH}_3\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_4$
- 73) The number of terminal carbonyl groups present in  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$  is [GATE 2012]  
 (a) 2 (b) 5 (c) 6 (d) 3
- 74) The INCORRECT statement about Zeise's salt is [GATE 2012]  
 (a) Zeise's salt is diamagnetic  
 (b) The oxidation state of Pt in Zeise's salt is +2  
 (c) All the Pt-Cl bond lengths in Zeise's salt are equal  
 (d) C-C bond length of ethylene moiety in Zeise's salt is longer than that of free ethylene molecule
- 75) An intermediate formed during the hydroformylation of olefins using  $\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8$  as catalyst is [GATE 2012]  
 (a)  $\text{HCo}(\text{CO})_6$  (b)  $\text{H}_4\text{Co}(\text{CO})_3$  (c)  $\text{H}_2\text{Co}(\text{CO})_4$  (d)  $\text{HCo}(\text{CO})_4$
- 76) The by-product formed in the characteristic reaction of  $(\text{CO})_5\text{Cr}=\text{C}(\text{OMe})(\text{Me})$  with  $\text{MeNH}_2$  is [GATE 2013]  
 (a) CO (b) MeOH (c) MeCHO (d) MeCONH<sub>2</sub>
- 77) The catalyst and co-catalyst used in the Wacker process, respectively, are [GATE 2013]  
 (a)  $\text{PdCl}_2$  and Cu (b)  $\text{CuCl}_2$  and  $[\text{PdCl}_4]^{2-}$   
 (c) Pd and CuCl (d)  $[\text{PdCl}_4]^{2-}$  and  $\text{CuCl}_2$
- 78) Hapticity of cycloheptatriene in  $\text{Mo}(\text{C}_7\text{H}_8)(\text{CO})_3$  is [GATE 2013]  
 (a) Five (b) Six (c) Seven (d) Eight
- 79) Amongst the following, the metal that does NOT form homoleptic polynuclear metal carbonyl is [GATE 2014]  
 (a) Mn (b) Fe (c) Cr (d) Co
- 80) In Monsanto acetic acid process shown below, the role of HI is [GATE 2014]  

$$\text{CH}_3\text{OH} + \text{CO} \xrightarrow[180^\circ\text{C}, 30\text{ bar}]{\text{Rh(I) Catalyst / HI}} \text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$$
 (a) to convert  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  to a stronger nucleophile ( $\text{CH}_3\text{O}^-$ )  
 (b) to reduce the Rh(I) catalyst to a Rh(0) species  
 (c) to reduce a Rh(III) active species to a Rh(I) species in the catalytic cycle  
 (d) to convert  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  to  $\text{CH}_3\text{I}$
- 81) Amongst the following, the metal carbonyl species having the highest  $\nu_{\text{CO}}$  stretching frequency is [GATE 2014]  
 (a)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_6]^+$  (b)  $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6$  (c)  $[\text{V}(\text{CO})_6]^-$  (d)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_4]^{2-}$
- 82) The correct order of thermal stability for the given compounds is [GATE 2014]  
 (a)  $\text{TiMe}_4 > \text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{CMe}_3)_4 > \text{TiEt}_4$  (b)  $\text{TiEt}_4 > \text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{CMe}_3)_4 > \text{TiMe}_4$   
 (c)  $\text{TiMe}_4 > \text{TiEt}_4 > \text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{CMe}_3)_4$  (d)  $\text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{CMe}_3)_4 > \text{TiMe}_4 > \text{TiEt}_4$

## Answer Key

## Topic:- 8 Organo-metallic Chemistry &amp; catalysis

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|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|
| 1  | a | 2  | b | 3  | a | 4  | b | 5  | d | 6  | a | 7  | c | 8  | a | 9  | a | 10 | c |
| 11 | b | 12 | c | 13 | d | 14 | d | 15 | b | 16 | c | 17 | b | 18 | c | 19 | a | 20 | d |
| 21 | c | 22 | c | 23 | a | 24 | a | 25 | d | 26 | a | 27 | b | 28 | a | 29 | b | 30 | d |
| 31 | d | 32 | a | 33 | a | 34 | a | 35 | d | 36 | b | 37 | a | 38 | a | 39 | b | 40 | b |
| 41 | c | 42 | d | 43 | b | 44 | c | 45 | a | 46 | a | 47 | a | 48 | a | 49 | a | 50 | c |
| 51 | d | 52 | c | 53 | c | 54 | a | 55 | d | 56 | c | 57 | b | 58 | c | 59 | d | 60 | b |
| 61 | b | 62 | b | 63 | a | 64 | b | 65 | c | 66 | d | 67 | c | 68 | a | 69 | b | 70 | a |
| 71 | a | 72 | b | 73 | c | 74 | c | 75 | d | 76 | b | 77 | d | 78 | b | 79 | c | 80 | d |
| 81 | a | 82 | d |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |

Hint and solution

1) Ans (a):-  $\text{TiCl}_4$ ,  $\text{Al}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5)_3$  is used in Ziegler-Natta catalysis. The commonly used catalyst in polymerization of ethylene.

2) Ans (b):- In  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Co}$ ; Oxidation occur easily to form  $18\text{e}^-$  complex

| Complex                                      | Electrons | conclusion  |
|--|-----------|---|
| $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Fe}$   | 18        | stable  |
| $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Co}$   | 19        | Oxidation occur easily to form $18\text{e}^-$ complex |
| $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Ru}$   | 18        | stable  |
| $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Co}^+$ | 18        | stable  |

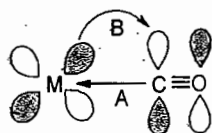
3) Ans (a):- In  $\text{W}(\text{CH}_3)_6$  Complex in which organic ligand is having only  $\sigma$ -bond with W

4) Ans (b):- Among all complex;  $[\text{V}(\text{CO})_6]^{1-}$  satisfies the 18 electron rule.

| complex $[\text{M}(\text{CO})_x]^{z-}$                                | Electrons |
|---|-----------|
| $\text{M} = \text{Ti}(4\text{e}^-)$ , $x = 6(12\text{e}^-)$ , $z = 1$ | 17        |
| $\text{M} = \text{V}(5\text{e}^-)$ , $x = 6(12\text{e}^-)$ , $z = 1$  | 18        |
| $\text{M} = \text{Co}(9\text{e}^-)$ , $x = 4(8\text{e}^-)$ , $z = 2$  | 19        |
| $\text{M} = \text{Mo}(6\text{e}^-)$ , $x = 5(10\text{e}^-)$ , $z = 1$ | 17        |

5) Ans (d):- The stable cyclopentadienyl complex of beryllium is  $[\text{Be}(\eta^1\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)]$  as octet of Be is complete. (valence electron of Be = 2)

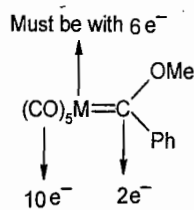
- 6) Ans (a):- In a given reaction,  $\text{trans}[\text{IrCl}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_2] + \text{Cl}_2 \longrightarrow \text{trans}[\text{IrCl}_3(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$ ; Ir(I) is changes to Ir(III), (oxidative addition); so metal to  $:\text{C}\equiv\text{O}^+$  back bonding decreases in product. (Arrow B in fig.) hence  $\nu_{\text{CO}}(\text{product}) > \nu_{\text{CO}}(\text{reactant})$



- 7) Ans (c):- According to covalent model of electron count of  $\eta^5\text{-Cp}$  is  $5e^-$  donor & nitric oxide is  $3e^-$  donor therefore the complex with  $20e^-$  will substitute faster to form  $18e^-$  complex.

| Complex                         | Electrons | conclusion  |
|---------------------------------|-----------|---|
| $\eta^5\text{-Cp}_2\text{Fe}$   | 18        | stable  |
| $\eta^5\text{-Cp}_2\text{CoCl}$ | 20        | But Co is already in Co(III) state; oxidation occur very slowly |
| $\eta^5\text{-Cp}_2\text{Ni}$   | 20        | Ni is in Ni(II) state; oxidation occur easily                   |
| $\eta^5\text{-Cp}_2\text{Co}$   | 19        | Will not substitute by nitric oxide                             |

- 8) Ans (a):- In  $(\text{CO})_5\text{M}=\text{CRR}'$ , according to covalent model of electron count; each CO is  $2e^-$  donor & double bonded carbon ligand is also  $2e^-$  donor therefore pair of metal with 6 valence electron will obeys  $18e^-$  rule. i.e. Cr,  $\text{Re}^+$



- 9) Ans (a):- The ligand in uranocene is  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_8^{2-}$

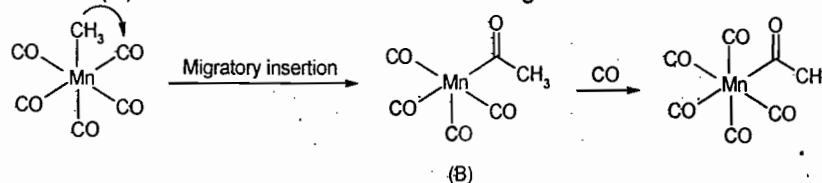
- 10) Ans (c):- In metal-olefin interaction, the extent of increase in metal  $\longrightarrow$  olefin  $\pi$ -back donation would lead to a increase in C=C bond length as it takes place in the alkene  $\pi^*$  antibonding MO, reducing the C=C bond order to one. & change the hybridization of the olefin carbon from  $sp^2$  to  $sp^3$ . Metal to ligand back donation decrease with the presence of electron donating substituent on the olefin & increase with the presence of electron withdrawing substituent on the olefin.

- 11) Ans (b):- In  $[(\eta^7\text{-tropylium})\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3]^+$ ; Both  $\eta^7\text{-tropylium}$  & CO are neutral ligand so oxidation state of metal is equal to charge on complex therefore the oxidation state of Mo in  $[(\eta^7\text{-tropylium})\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3]^+$  is +1

- 12) Ans (c):- According to 18e rule the number of electron count in homoleptic polynuclear metal =  $n \times 18e^-$  (where n = Number of metal atoms) (valence electron of W =  $6e^-$ ) and each  $-\text{OPh}$  is 3 electron donor

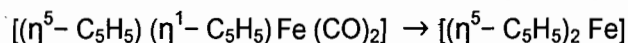
| Metal complex                | $n \times 18e^-$      | Total electron count | Metal-Metal bond    |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| $[\text{W}_2(\text{OPh})_6]$ | $2 \times 18e^- = 36$ | 30                   | $36 - 30 = 6/2 = 3$ |

- 13) Ans (d):- Migratory insertion reactions result from the migration of a species such as a hydride or alkyl group to an adjacent ligand such as carbonyl or alkene to give a metal complex with two fewer electrons on the metal atom (B) & result in a addition of another ligand.



14) Ans (d):-  $\text{H}_2\text{Rh}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}$  is NOT suitable as catalyst for hydroformylation.

15) Ans (b):- In  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$  ligand all five carbon atoms are equally bonded to the transition metal while in  $(\eta^1\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$  only one C atom is bonded to the transition metal & therefore  $(\eta^1\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$  usually shows fluxional process.

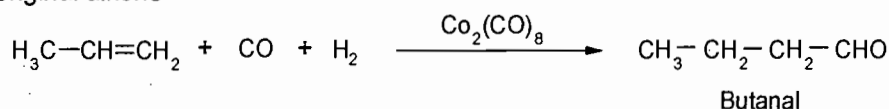


16) Ans (c):- In  $[\text{Ni}_2(\text{CO})_6]^{2-}$ ; CO are neutral ligand so oxidation state of metal is equal to charge on complex therefore the oxidation state of each Ni is -1.

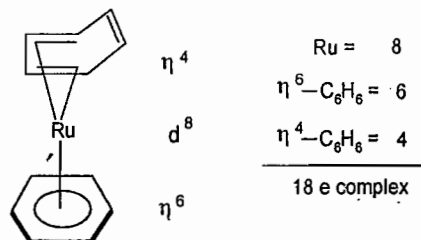
According to  $18e^-$  rule the number of electron count in homoleptic dinuclear metal =  $2 \times 18 = 36 e^-$  (valence electron of  $\text{Ni}^- = 11$ ) and each CO is  $2 e^-$  electron donor

| Metal complex                     | $n \times 18 e^-$   | Total electron count | Metal-Metal bond    |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| $[\text{Ni}_2(\text{CO})_6]^{2-}$ | $2 \times 18e = 36$ | 34                   | $36 - 34 = 2/2 = 1$ |

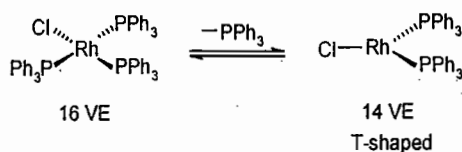
17) Ans (b):- This is a Hydroformylation reaction, also known as oxo synthesis, In a hydroformylation reaction, an alkene, CO, and  $\text{H}_2$  react in presence of catalyst  $\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8$  to form an aldehyde containing one more C atom than in the original alkene



18) Ans (c):- The hapticities 'x' and 'y' of the arene moieties are 4 & 6 respectively in the diamagnetic complex  $[(\eta^x\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)\text{Ru}(\eta^y\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)]$  i.e.  $[(\eta^4\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)\text{Ru}(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)] = 18 e$  complex



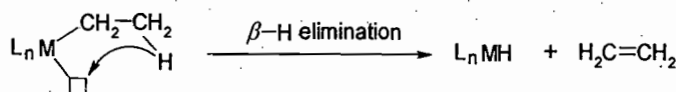
19) Ans (a):- Reductive elimination step in hydrogenation of alkenes by Wilkinson catalyst results in T-shaped  $[\text{Rh}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}]$



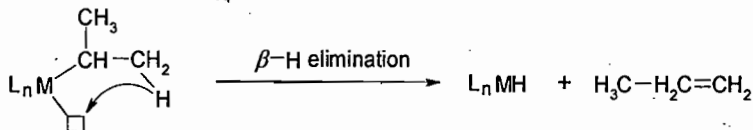
20) Ans (d):- Oxidative addition reactions are favoured by electron rich metal centers as in oxidative addition reactions there is increase in oxidation number of the metal centre by 2 (0 to +2 or +1 to +3 etc). Reductive elimination is the reverse of oxidative addition & therefore favoured by electron deficient metal centers

21) Ans (c):- Metal-alkyl complexes are stable if they do not have  $\beta$  hydrogen because Metal-alkyl complexes with  $\beta$  hydrogen undergoes decomposition via  $\beta$ -H elimination (beta hydride elimination) therefore  $\text{Ti}(i\text{-Pr})_4$   $\text{TiEt}_4$  are least stable as shown below. Now among  $\text{TiMe}_4$  &  $\text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_4$ ;  $\text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_4$  is more stable than  $\text{TiMe}_4$  because if the ligand is bulky & it does not induce  $\alpha$  or  $\gamma$ -H elimination. So the increasing stability of the following organometallic compounds  $\text{Ti}(i\text{-Pr})_4 < \text{TiEt}_4 < \text{TiMe}_4 < \text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_4$

$\beta$ -H elimination in  $\text{TiEt}_4$



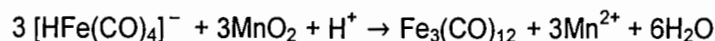
$\beta$ -H elimination in  $\text{Ti}(\text{i-Pr})_4$



22) **Ans (c)**:- Among the metals, Mn, Fe, Co and Ni; Fe and Ni react in its native form directly with CO to form  $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_5$  and  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$  respectively.

23) **Ans (a)**:- In the hydroformylation reaction, the intermediate  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Co}(\text{CO})_4$  forms an acyl intermediate  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{COCO}(\text{CO})_3$  (Migratory insertion reaction) (See hydroformylation reaction)

24) **Ans (a)**:- Reaction of  $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_5$  with  $\text{OH}^-$  leads to complex  $[\text{HFe}(\text{CO})_4]^-$  which on oxidation with  $\text{MnO}_2$  gives  $\text{Fe}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$ .



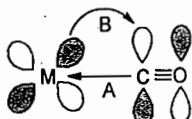
25) **Ans (d)**:- According to  $18e^-$  rule the number of electron count in homoleptic polynuclear metal =  $n \times 18$  (where  $n$  = Number of metal atoms) (VE of Fe = 8 & Mo = 6) and Cp = 5; CO = 2 & linear NO = 3 & bent NO = 1) (Note:- according to covalent electron count)

| Metal complex                           | $n \times 18e^-$    | Total electron count in the dimers | Metal-Metal bond    |
|---|---------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| $[\text{CpFe}(\text{CO})(\text{NO})]_2$ | $2 \times 18e = 36$ | 36 (if NO is linear)               | $36 - 36 = 0/2 = 0$ |
| $[\text{CpFe}(\text{CO})(\text{NO})]_2$ | $2 \times 18e = 36$ | 32 (if NO is bent)                 | $36 - 32 = 4/2 = 2$ |
| $[\text{CpMo}(\text{CO})_3]_2$          | $2 \times 18e = 36$ | 34                                 | $36 - 34 = 2/2 = 1$ |

Thus the number of metal-metal bonds in the dimers  $[\text{CpFe}(\text{CO})(\text{NO})]_2$  and  $[\text{CpMo}(\text{CO})_3]_2$  are zero and one respectively,

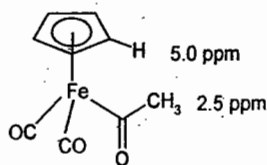
Note: - if we consider bent NO then the number of metal-metal bonds in the dimers  $[\text{CpFe}(\text{CO})(\text{NO})]_2$  and  $[\text{CpMo}(\text{CO})_3]_2$  are two and one respectively, but it doesn't match with given options

26) **Ans (a)**:- Stronger  $\sigma$ - donor ligand increases metal electron density & as electron density on the metal increases (i.e. negative charge on complex); metal to ligand  $\pi$  back donation increases (B in fig.) & result in increase in  $\nu_{\text{M-C}}$  & decrease in  $\nu_{\text{CO}}$  frequency. Order of  $\sigma$ -donation is  $\text{NMe}_3 > \text{NH}_3 > \text{pyridine}$  & hence in the trans- $\text{PtCl}_2\text{L}(\text{CO})$  complex, the CO stretching frequency decreases in the order  $\text{pyridine} > \text{NH}_3 > \text{NMe}_3$



27) **Ans (b)**:-  $\beta$ -hydride elimination is not possible in complex (A); Refer solution of Q.No.-21

28) **Ans (a)**:- From spectroscopic data & as compound obey  $18e^-$  Complex; the structure of  $\text{FeC}_9\text{H}_8\text{O}_3$  has  $\eta^5$ - Cp group & terminal CO ligand. The IR spectrum at  $1900$  and  $1680 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  indicate terminal M-C-O & C-H stretching frequency respectively.



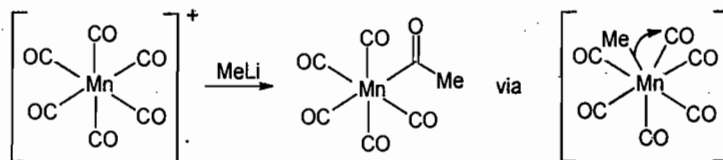
29) Ans (b):- In  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_3]$  ( $^{103}\text{Rh}$ , nuclear spin,  $I = \frac{1}{2}$ , 100%) in the presence of  $\mu_2\text{-CO}$  shows a triplet due to heteronuclear spin-spin coupling:  $^{13}\text{C}\text{-}^{103}\text{Rh}$

| Bridging mode                 | In $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR spectrum ( $^{103}\text{Rh}$ , nuclear spin, $I = \frac{1}{2}$ , 100%) |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Terminal CO                   | doublet due to heteronuclear spin-spin coupling: $^{13}\text{C}\text{-}^{103}\text{Rh}$       |
| $\mu_2\text{-CO}$             | triplet due to heteronuclear spin-spin coupling: $^{13}\text{C}\text{-}^{103}\text{Rh}$       |
| $\mu_3\text{-CO}$             | quartet due to heteronuclear spin-spin coupling: $^{13}\text{C}\text{-}^{103}\text{Rh}$       |
| $\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5$ | doublet due to heteronuclear spin-spin coupling: $^{13}\text{C}\text{-}^{103}\text{Rh}$       |

30) Ans (d):-  $[\text{Os}(\text{N})\text{Br}_2(\text{PMe}_3)(\text{NMe}_2)]^-$  does not obey 18- electron rule

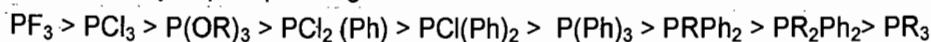
| Complex   | Covalent Electron count          | Total electron  |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| $[(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{RuCl}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)]$ | $5+8+1+2+2$                      | $18e^-$ Complex |
| $[\text{W}(\text{CO})_3(\text{SiMe}_3)(\text{Cl})(\text{NCMe}_2)]$    | $6+6+1+1+4$                      | $18e^-$ Complex |
| $[\text{IrCl}_3(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{AsPh}_2)]^-$                    | $9+3+4+1+1(-\text{ve charge})$   | $18e^-$ Complex |
| $[\text{Os}(\text{N})\text{Br}_2(\text{PMe}_3)(\text{NMe}_2)]^-$      | $8+3+2+2+1+1(-\text{ve charge})$ | $17e^-$ Complex |

31) Ans (d):-  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_6]^+ + \text{MeLi} \rightarrow [(\text{MeCO})\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5]$



32) Ans (a):- In  $\text{fac-}[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{phosphines})_3]$  when R in  $\text{PR}_3$  is electron withdrawing;  $\pi$  acceptor ability of phosphine ligand increases & result in decrease in  $\pi$  backbonding to the  $\text{CO } \pi^*$ . This result in a strengthening of the CO bond, & the higher  $\nu_{\text{CO}}$  stretching frequency.

The order of  $\pi$  acceptor ability of phosphine ligand is:-



| Complex  | $\nu_{\text{CO}}$ stretching frequency |  |
|--|--|--|
| $[\text{fac-}[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PF}_3)_3]$                    | $2090 \text{ cm}^{-1}$                 |  |
| $[\text{fac-}[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PCl}_3)_3]$                   | $2040 \text{ cm}^{-1}$                 |  |
| $[\text{fac-}[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{P}(\text{Cl})\text{Ph}_2)_3]$ | $1977 \text{ cm}^{-1}$                 |  |
| $[\text{fac-}[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PMe}_3)_3]$                   | $1945 \text{ cm}^{-1}$                 |  |



33) Ans (a):- In the cluster  $[\text{Co}_3(\text{CH})(\text{CO})_9]$  3 metal-metal bonds & 1 bridging CH ligands

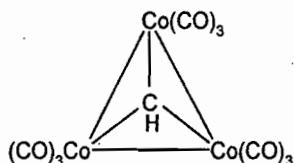
In the cluster  $[\text{Co}_3(\text{CH})(\text{CO})_9]$  according to 18e rule; the number of total electrons should be 54 ( $18 \times 3$ )

$\therefore 54 = 48$  electrons ( $\text{Co} = 9$ ;  $\text{CH} = 3$  &  $\text{CO} = 2$ ) + metal-metal bond

$\therefore$  Metal-metal bond =  $54 - 48$  electrons = 6 electrons

$\therefore$  Metal-metal bond =  $6/2 = 3$

And as valency of Carbon is four  $\therefore$  the structure of  $[\text{Co}_3(\text{CH})(\text{CO})_9]$



34) Ans (a):-

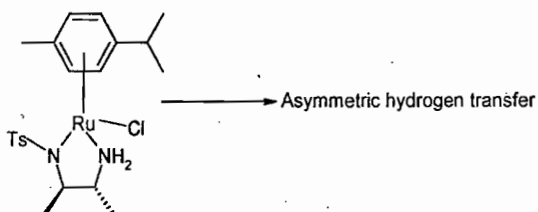
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$[(\text{R})\text{-BINAP}]\text{Ru}^{-2} \longrightarrow$  Asymmetric hydrogenation

$[\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2\text{I}_2]^{-} \longrightarrow$  Hydroformylation

$\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4 \longrightarrow$  Heck coupling



35) Ans (d):- Oxidative addition reactions are favoured by electron rich metal centers as in oxidative addition reactions there is increase in oxidation number of the metal centre by 2 (0 to +2 or +1 to +3 etc).

Oxidative addition reaction is not possible in complex with  $d^0$  metal centers. In  $[\eta^5\text{-Cp}_2\text{Ti}(\text{Me})\text{Cl}]$ ; Ti is in  $\text{Ti}^{+4}$  with  $d^0$  system so further oxidation is not possible.

36) Ans (b):- Addition of excess  $\text{PPh}_3$  would decrease the rate of reaction as replacement by a bulky ligand disfavours the formation of complexes with alkene

37) Ans (a):- Reactions A and B are termed as Insertion, Metathesis respectively. The word metathesis comes from the Greek for a exchange. Metathesis reactions are concerted reactions that sometimes occurs when oxidative addition cannot take place.

38) Ans (a):-

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Step A   | is an oxidative addition reactions as there is increase in oxidation number of the metal centre by 2 ( $\text{Pd}(0)$ to $\text{Pd}(+2)$ ) |
| Step B   | is a transmetallation reaction, which involves breaking a metal-carbon bond and forming a metal-carbon bond to a different metal.          |
| Step C   | is a reductive elimination ( $\text{Pd}(+2)$ to $\text{Pd}(0)$ ) (the reverse of oxidative addition)                                       |
| Note:- $\beta$ -hydride elimination is not possible as do not have $\beta$ hydrogen. |  |

39) Ans (b):- Cyclobutadiene in its neutral form, being anti-aromatic ( $4\pi$ -electrons), is unstable as a free molecule, but its dianionic ( $\text{C}_4\text{H}_4^{2-}$ ) form is stable because of being aromatic ( $6\pi$ -electrons).

On binding to transition metals the cyclobutadiene ligand is stabilized by significant metal to ligand  $\pi$ -back donation to the vacant ligand orbitals & result in formation of  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_4^{2-}$ .

- 40) **Ans (b):-** According to 18e rule the number of electron count in homoleptic polynuclear metal =  $n \times 18$  (where  $n$  = Number of metal atoms) (VE of Rh = 9) and each CO = 2.

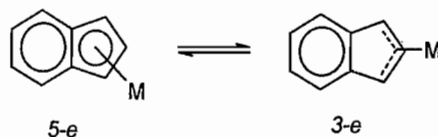
| Metal carbonyl                | $n \times 18e$      | Total electron count | Metal-Metal bond     |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| $\text{Ir}_4(\text{CO})_{12}$ | $4 \times 18e = 72$ | 60                   | $72 - 60 = 12/2 = 6$ |

- 41) **Ans (c):-** In complexes  $\text{MeTiCl}_3$ , Ti is in +4 oxidation number & is hard acid so orders of reactivity of ligands  $\text{NMe}_3$  (Hard base) >  $\text{PMe}_3$  > CO (soft base) and in  $(\text{CO})_5\text{Mo}(\text{thf})$ , Mo is in zero oxidation state & is soft acid so orders of reactivity of ligands is reverse i.e. CO (soft base) >  $\text{PMe}_3$  >  $\text{NMe}_3$  (Hard base). The most favorable interactions occur when the hard acid interact with hard base & when soft acid interact with soft base

- 42) **Ans (d):-** In solid  $\text{Co}_4(\text{CO})_{12}$  the number of bridging CO groups are three and in  $\text{Ir}_4(\text{CO})_{12}$  number of bridging CO group is zero.

- 43) **Ans (b):-**  $\text{Fe}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$  with an excess of sodium gives  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_4]^{2-}$  ion & is isoelectronic With  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$

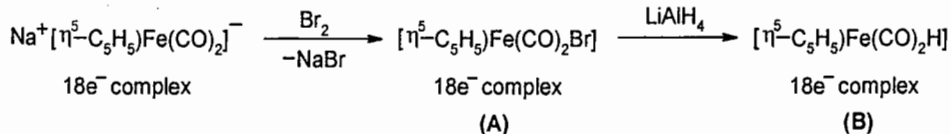
- 44) **Ans (c):-** Several ligands can rearrange between  $n$ -e and  $(n-2)$ -e. For example linear NO to bent NO and  $\eta^5 \rightarrow \eta^3$  as shown below. So substitution of L with other ligands will be easiest for the species (c)



- 45) **Ans (a):-** In metal-olefin interaction, the hybridization of the olefin carbon from  $sp^2$  to  $sp^3$  but at low temperature at  $-20^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $[\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5]\text{Rh}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)_2$  shows a typical AA' XX' pattern in the olefinic region because at this temperature there is no free rotation of the ethylene ligand about the metal-olefin bond but at  $\sim 70^\circ\text{C}$ ; there is a free rotation of the ethylene ligand about the metal-olefin bond & result in the separate lines collapse into a single line

- 46) **Ans (a):-** Linear ( $\text{N}=\text{O}$ ) M-N-O groups absorb in the range  $1650\text{--}1900\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , whereas bent ( $\text{N}=\text{O}$ ) nitrosyls absorb in the range  $1525\text{--}1690\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .  $\angle\text{M-N-O} = 124^\circ$  suggest the complex A is with bent nitrosyl i.e. complex  $[\text{IrCl}(\text{CO})(\text{NO})(\text{PPh}_3)_2]\text{BF}_4$ , with  $1620\text{ cm}^{-1}$

- 47) **Ans (a):-** Compounds A and B, are  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2\text{Br}$  and  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2\text{H}$  respectively. The proton NMR spectrum of B consists of two singlets; one for  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$  & second for H in B with relative intensity 5:1



- 48) **Ans (a):-** The expected chemical shift (in ppm) of  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$  ligand in  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $[\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6]\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_3$  is 4.5; disruption of ring current (loss of planarity & hence aromaticity.)

- 49) **Ans (a):-**  $\text{HM}(\text{CO})_5 = 18$  electrons;  $\therefore M = 7e$  i.e. Mn ( $H = 1$  & each CO = 2)

And in  $[(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{M}'(\text{CO})_3]_2 = 36$  electrons (as it is dimer).  $\therefore M = 6e$  i.e. Cr ( $\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5 = 5$  & each CO = 2) with one metal-metal bond.

H in M-H bond is electron rich so  $^1\text{H}$  NMR chemical shifts relative to TMS is  $-7.5$  & H of  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_5^-$  are already electron rich than benzene & become more electron rich when form bond with metal so  $^1\text{H}$  NMR chemical shifts of H of  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{M}$  relative to TMS is 4.10 rather than 5.4 in  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_5^-$

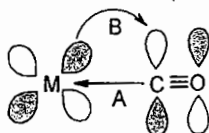
- 50) **Ans (c):-**  $\text{IrCl}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_2$  (Vaska's compound) undergoes oxidative addition reaction in presence of  $\text{H}_2$

51) Ans (d):- According to covalent model of electron count of  $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ ,  $(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)$  & CO ligands are  $5e^-$ ,  $6e^-$  &  $2e^-$  donor respectively. (Valence electron of metal Fe = 8; Mo = 6; Co = 9 & Re = 7)

| Metal complex   | Covalent Electron count | Total electron count |
|---|-------------------------|----------------------|
| $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2$                 | 5+8+4                   | 17 $e^-$             |
| $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3$                 | 5+6+6                   | 17 $e^-$             |
| $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Co}$                            | 10+9                    | 19 $e^-$             |
| $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Re}(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)$ | 5+7+6                   | 18 $e^-$             |

52) Ans (c):- Carbon-carbon bond length in (i) is larger compared to that of (ii) due to electron withdrawing group of F in  $\text{C}_2\text{F}_4$

53) Ans (c):- As electron density on the metal increases (negative charge on complex); metal to ligand  $\pi$  back donation increases (B in fig.) & result in increase in  $\nu_{\text{M-C}}$  & decrease in  $\nu_{\text{CO}}$  frequency.  $\nu_{\text{M-L}}$  stretching frequency is therefore highest in  $[\text{V}(\text{CO})_6]^-$  & order is  $[\text{V}(\text{CO})_6]^- > [\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6] > [\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_6]^+$



54) Ans (a):-

| Column I                 | Column II                     |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Wilkinsons catalyst      | $\text{RhCl}(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ |
| speiers catalyst         | Hydrosilylation               |
| Water gas shift catalyst | Zinc- copper oxide            |
| Zeolite ZSM-5 catalyst   | Synthetic gasoline            |

55) Ans (d):- As electron density on the metal increases (negative charge on complex); metal to ligand  $\pi$  back donation increases & result decrease in  $\nu_{\text{CO}}$  frequency.

| Metal carbonyl               | $\nu_{\text{CO}}$ frequency in $\text{cm}^{-1}$ |
|------------------------------|---|
| CO                           | 2143  |
| $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_6]^+$ | 2090  |
| $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6$     | 2000  |
| $[\text{V}(\text{CO})_6]^-$  | 1860  |

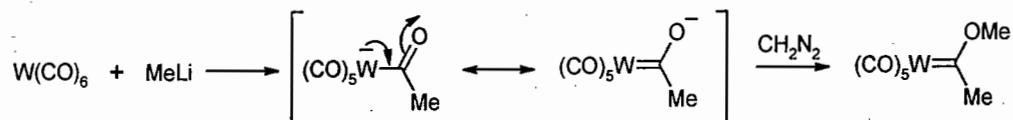
56) Ans (c):- The reaction of  $\text{CO}_2$  with this enzyme is an example of nucleophilic addition  
 $(\text{His})_3\text{Zn}^+-\text{OH}^- + \text{CO}_2 \longrightarrow (\text{His})_3\text{Zn}^+-\text{OCO}_2\text{H}$

57) Ans (b):-

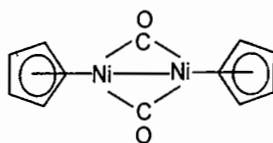
| List I                               | List II  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| $(\text{Ph}_3\text{P})_3\text{RhCl}$ | Catalyst for alkene hydrogenation                      |
| $\text{LiC}_6$                       | Intercalation  |
| $\text{PtF}_6$                       | Oxidising agent  |
| $\text{Ni}_3\text{S}_4$              | Spinel( $\text{AB}_2\text{X}_4$ ) Where X = O, S or Se |

In Li-ion batteries Graphite is the standard anode material in these devices. Upon charging of the battery, lithium diffuses into the graphite anode particles forming lithiated graphite intercalation structures ( $C \rightarrow LiC_6$ )  
 $PtF_6$  strong oxidant e.g. reacts with oxygen to form  $\{O_2\}^+ [PtF_6]^-$

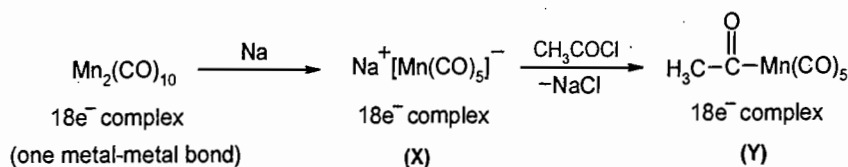
- 58) Ans (c):- Product of reaction is  $(CO)_5W=C(Me)OMe$ ;  
 Note:-It is synthesis & reaction of Fisher carbene Complexes



- 59) Ans (d):- The IR stretching frequency appears at  $1857cm^{-1}$  (strong) and  $1897cm^{-1}$  strongly indicate the presence of  $\mu_2-CO$  bridging & logically the valence electron count is  $18e^-$ , with one metal-metal bond



- 60) Ans (b):-



- 61) Ans (b):- The catalyst used in the conversion of ethylene to acetaldehyde using Wacker process is  $[PdCl_4]^{2-}$

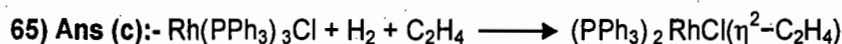
- 62) Ans (b):- The number of M-M bonds in  $Ir_4(CO)_{12}$  are six  
 According to 18e rule the number of electron count in homoleptic polynuclear metal =  $n \times 18$   
 (where n = Number of metal atoms) (valence electron of Ir = 9)

| Metal carbonyl  | $n \times 18e$      | Total electron count | Metal Metal bond     |
|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| $Ir_4(CO)_{12}$ | $4 \times 18e = 72$ | 60                   | $72 - 60 = 12/2 = 6$ |

- 63) Ans (a):- Schrock carbenes are triplets and nucleophilic

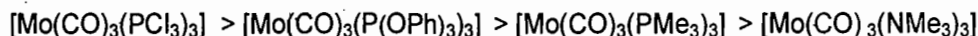
| Fischer-type carbene Complex   | Schrock-type Carbene Complex                         |
|--|--|
| Singlets Carbene Complex   | Triplets Carbene Complex                             |
| Low oxidation state metal center   | High oxidation state metal center                    |
| Middle and late transition metals Fe(0), Mo(0), Cr(0)                                | Early transition metals Ti(IV), Ta(V)                |
| Good $\pi$ acceptor  | Good $\sigma$ & $\pi$ donor                          |
| Pi-donor substituents on the carbene atom such as alkoxy and alkylated amino groups. | Hydrogen and alkyl substituents on carbenoid carbon. |

- 64) Ans (b):- Hint: - Trans effect



- 66) Ans (d):- The number of metal - metal bonds in  $[(C_5H_5)Fe(CO)]_2$  are three.  
 According to 18e rule the number of electron count in dinuclear metal =  $2 \times 18 = 36$   
 But in  $[(C_5H_5)Fe(CO)]_2$  total electron count is 30e. Therefore remaining six electrons will form three M - M bonds

67) Ans (c):-  $\nu_{CO}$  for the compounds  $[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{L})_3]$  type ;  $\nu_{CO}$  increases with increasing  $\pi$  acceptor ability of L and  $\nu_{CO}$  decreases with increase in  $\sigma$  donation. General order of  $\pi$  acceptor ability decreases in the Order:-  $\text{NO}^+ > \text{CO} > \text{PF}_3 > \text{AsCl}_3 > \text{RN}\equiv\text{C} > \text{PCl}_3 > \text{As}(\text{OR})_3 > \text{P}(\text{OR})_3 > \text{PR}_3 > \text{RC}\equiv\text{N} > \text{NH}_3$   
Therefore correct order of  $\nu_{CO}$  for the compounds in the IR spectrum is:-



68) Ans (a):- In  $\text{K}[\text{PdCl}_3(\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_4)]$  The C atoms of the alkene rehybridize close to  $\text{sp}^3$  therefore the C-C bond order of the product is between 1 and 2

69) Ans (b):- Nickelocene ( $\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}$ ) is 20e system therefore will form dication ( $\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}^{+2}$ ) i.e. 18e system

70) Ans (a):- Vitamin B<sub>12</sub> is an organometallic as there is a Co-C bond (metal-carbon bond).

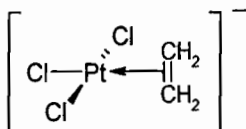
71) Ans (a):- The total number of metal-metal bonds in  $\text{Ru}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$  and  $\text{Co}_4(\text{CO})_{12}$ , are 3 and 6 respectively. According to 18e rule the number of electron count in homoleptic polynuclear metal =  $n \times 18$  (where n = Number of metal atoms) ( valence electron of Ru & Co are 8 & 9 respectively.)

| Metal carbonyl                | $n \times 18e$      | Total electron count | Metal-Metal bond     |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| $\text{Ru}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$ | $3 \times 18e = 54$ | 48                   | $54 - 48 = 6/2 = 3$  |
| $\text{Co}_4(\text{CO})_{12}$ | $4 \times 18e = 72$ | 60                   | $72 - 60 = 12/2 = 6$ |

72) Ans (b):-  $\text{CH}_3\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5 + {}^{13}\text{CO} \rightarrow \text{cis}-(\text{CH}_3\text{CO})\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_4({}^{13}\text{CO})$

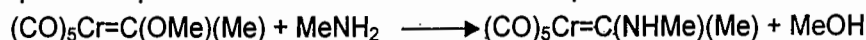
73) Ans (c):- The number of terminal carbonyl groups present in  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$  are 6 and three bridging CO ligands

74) Ans (c):- In Zeise's salt,  $\text{K}[\text{PtCl}_3(\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_4)]$  two Pt-Cl bond lengths are equal out of three.



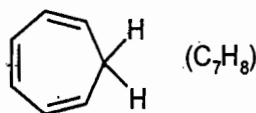
75) Ans (d):-  $\text{HCo}(\text{CO})_4$  an intermediate formed during the hydroformylation of olefins using  $\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8$

76) Ans (b):- It is a simple nucleophilic reaction on Fisher carbene complexes



77) Ans (d):- The catalyst and co-catalyst used in the Wacker process are  $[\text{PdCl}_4]^{2-}$  and  $\text{CuCl}_2$  respectively

78) Ans (b):- Hapticity of cycloheptatriene in  $\text{Mo}(\text{C}_7\text{H}_8)(\text{CO})_3$  is Six

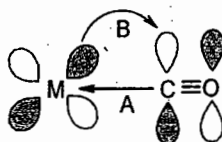


Cycloheptatriene is 6e donor ( $\text{sp}^3$  hybridized carbon is not involved in bond formation)

79) Ans (c):- Cr does NOT form homoleptic polynuclear metal carbonyl while all other form homoleptic polynuclear metal carbonyl e.g.  $\text{Mn}_2(\text{CO})_{10}$ ,  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$ ,  $\text{Fe}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$  &  $\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8$

80) Ans (d):- In Monsanto acetic acid process, the role of HI is to convert  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  to  $\text{CH}_3\text{I}$

81) Ans (a):- As electron density on the metal increases (negative charge on complex); metal to ligand  $\pi$  back donation increases (B in fig.) & result in decrease in  $\nu_{\text{CO}}$  frequency.  $\nu_{\text{CO}}$  stretching frequency is highest in  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_6]^+$



| Metal carbonyl                  | $\nu_{\text{CO}}$ frequency in $\text{cm}^{-1}$ |
|---------------------------------|---|
| $[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_6]^+$    | 2090  |
| $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6$        | 2000  |
| $[\text{V}(\text{CO})_6]^-$     | 1860  |
| $[\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_4]^{2-}$ | 1750  |

82) Ans (d):- Metal-alkyl complexes are stable if they do not have  $\beta$  hydrogen because Metal-alkyl complexes with  $\beta$  hydrogen undergoes decomposition via  $\beta$ -H elimination (beta hydride elimination) therefore  $\text{TiEt}_4$  is least stable. Now among  $\text{TiMe}_4$  &  $\text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{CMe}_3)_4$ ,  $\text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{CMe}_3)_4$  is more stable than  $\text{TiMe}_4$  because if the ligand is bulky it does not induce  $\alpha$  or  $\gamma$ -H elimination so correct order of thermal stability  $\text{Ti}(\text{CH}_2\text{CMe}_3)_4 > \text{TiMe}_4 > \text{TiEt}_4$

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## Topic 9

# BORANE, SILICATES, ISOLOBAL FRAGMENTS, CAGES & METAL CLUSTERS

### Questions with two marks

- 1) The correct statement regarding closo- $\{B_nH_n\}$  species is [Dec2011]  
(a) it always has -2 charge (b) it always has +2 charge  
(c) it is a neutral species (d) it is more reactive than nido arachno-, and hypo-boranes
- 2) The number of metal-metal bonds in  $[W_2(OPh)_6]$  is: [June 2013]  
(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4
- 3) In a cluster,  $H_3CoRu_3(CO)_{12}$ , total number of electrons considered to be involved in its formation is [Dec 2013]  
(a) 57 (b) 60 (c) 63 (d) 72
- 4) The bond order of metal-metal bonds in dimeric complex  $[Re_2Cl_4(PMe_2Ph)_4]^+$  is [Dec 2013]  
(a) 4.0 (b) 3.5 (c) 3.0 (d) 2.5
- 5) The maximum bond order obtained from the molecular orbitals of a transition metal dimer, formed as linear combinations of d-orbitals alone is [June 2014]  
(a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 5 (d) 6
- 6) The  $\delta$ -bond is formed via the overlap of [Dec 2014]  
(a)  $d_{x^2-y^2}$  and  $d_{x^2-y^2}$  orbitals (b)  $d_{xz}$  and  $d_{xz}$  orbitals (c)  $d_{xy}$  and  $d_{xy}$  orbitals (d)  $d_{yz}$  and  $d_{yz}$  orbitals
- 7)  $Co_4(CO)_{12}$  adopts the [Dec 2014]  
(a) Closo - structure (b) Nido - structure (c) Arachno - structure (d) Hypo - structure

### Questions with four marks

- 8) The styx code of  $B_4H_{10}$  is [Dec2011]  
(a) 4120 (b) 4220 (c) 4012 (d) 3203
- 9) Bayer's process involves. [Dec2011]  
(a) Synthesis of  $B_2H_6$  from  $NaBH_4$  (b) Synthesis of  $NaBH_4$  from borax  
(c) Synthesis of  $NaBH_4$  from  $B_2H_6$  (d) Synthesis of  $B_3N_3H_6$  from  $B_2H_6$
- 10) The cluster having arachno type structure is [June 2012]  
(a)  $[Os_5(CO)_{16}]$  (b)  $[Os_3(CO)_{12}]$  (c)  $[Ir_4(CO)_{12}]$  (d)  $[Rh_6(CO)_{16}]$
- 11) Structure of a carborane with formula,  $C_2B_4H_8$  is formally derived from [Dec2012]  
(a) Closo-borane (b) Nido-borane (c) Arachno-borane (d) Conjuncto-borane
- 12) In the cluster  $[Co_3(CH)(CO)_9]$  obeying 18e rule, the number of metal-metal bonds and the bridging ligands respectively, are [Dec2012]  
(a) 3 and 1 CH (b) 0 and 3 CO (c) 3 and 1 CO (d) 6 and 1 CH

13) Silicates with continuous 3D frame work are

- (a) Neso-silicates (b) Soro-silicates (c) Phyllo-silicates (d) Tecto-silicates

14) Intense band at  $15000\text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the UV-visible spectrum of  $[\text{Bu}_4\text{N}]_2\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_8$  is due to the transition [June 2013]

- (a)  $\pi-\pi^*$  (b)  $\delta-\delta^*$  (c)  $\delta-\pi^*$  (d)  $\pi-\delta^*$

15) The number of metal-metal bonds in  $\text{Ir}_4(\text{CO})_{12}$  is

[June 2013]

- (a) 4 (b) 6 (c) 10 (d) 12

16) Number of isomeric derivatives possible for the neutral closo-carborane,  $\text{C}_2\text{B}_{10}\text{H}_{12}$  is

[Dec2013]

- (a) three (b) two (c) four (d) six

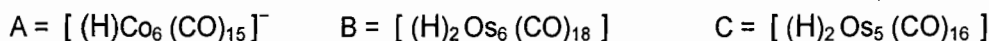
17) For higher boranes 3c-2e 'BBB' bond may be a part of their structures. In  $\text{B}_5\text{H}_9$ , the number of such electron deficient bond(s) present is/are

[Dec2013]

- (a) four (b) two (c) zero (d) one

18) Among the following clusters, H is encapsulated in

[Dec2013]



- (a) A only (b) B only (c) B and C only (d) A and B only

19) Among the following, the correct statement is

[Dec2013]

- (a) CH is isolobal to  $\text{Co}(\text{CO})_3$  (b)  $\text{CH}_2$  is isolobal to  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_2$   
(c) CH is isolobal to  $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_4$  (d)  $\text{CH}_2$  is isolobal to  $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_4$

20) The total valence electron count and the structure type adopted by the complex  $[\text{Fe}_5(\text{CO})_{15}\text{C}]$  respectively are

[June 2014]

- (a) 74 and *nido* (b) 60 and *closo* (c) 84 and *arachno* (d) 62 and *nido*

21) The compound  $[\text{Re}_2(\text{Me}_2\text{PPh})_4\text{Cl}_4]$  (M) having configuration of  $\sigma^2\pi^4\delta^2\delta^{*2}$  can be oxidized to  $\text{M}^+$  and  $\text{M}^{+2}$ . The formal metal-metal bond order in M,  $\text{M}^+$  and  $\text{M}^{+2}$  respectively, are

[June 2014]

- (a) 3.0, 3.5 and 4.0 (b) 3.5, 4.0 and 3.0 (c) 4.0, 3.5 and 3.0 (d) 3.0, 4.0 and 3.5

22) Amongst the following which is not isolobal pairs

[June 2014]

- (a)  $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5$ ,  $\text{CH}_3$  (b)  $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_4$ , O (c)  $\text{Co}(\text{CO})_3$ ,  $\text{R}_2\text{Si}$  (d)  $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5$ , RS

23) According to Wade's rule, anion  $\text{C}_2\text{B}_9\text{H}_{12}^-$  adopts

[Dec 2014]

- (a) Closo structure (b) Nido structure (c) Arachno structure (d) Hypo structure

**(Questions from GATE EXAM)**

**Questions with ONE OR TWO marks**

24) The  $[\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_8]^{-2}$  is strong royal blue colour is due to

(GATE 2005)

- (a) Absorption band due to  $\pi-\pi^*$  transition in the visible region  
(b) Absorption band due to  $\pi-\delta^*$  transition in the visible region  
(c) Absorption band due to  $\delta-\delta^*$  transition in the visible region  
(d) Absorption band due to  $\pi-\pi^*$  and  $\delta-\delta^*$  transition in the visible region

25)  $\text{Mg}_6\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{10}(\text{OH})_8$  is commercially known as

(GATE 2006)

- (a) asbestos (b) water glass (c) soda glass (d) zeolite





**Hints & Solution**

1) **Ans (a)**:- The general formula of closo borane species is always  $B_nH_n^{2-}$

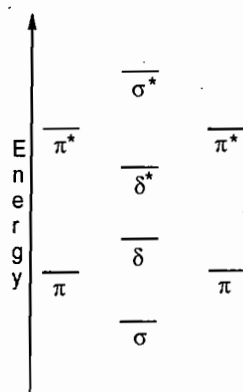
2) **Ans (c)**:- In  $[W_2(OPh)_6]$ , Each W is in +3 oxidation state (due to 6  $OPh^-$ )

Electronic configuration of W is  $[Xe]4f^{14}5d^46s^2$

$\therefore$  Both  $W^{+3} = [Xe]4f^{14}5d^36s^0$  i.e. total six electrons (three electrons of each W)

Electronic configuration according to molecular orbital diagram formed by  $d$ -orbital interactions =  $\sigma^2\pi^4$

& bond order i.e. number of metal metal bond is 3



Approximate molecular orbital energy level scheme for M-M interaction

3) **Ans (b)**:- In a cluster,  $H_3CoRu_3(CO)_{12}$ , (H= 1; Co= 9; Ru= 8 & CO= 2 electrons)

$$\therefore (1 \times 3) + (9 \times 1) + (8 \times 3) + (2 \times 12) = 60$$

4) **Ans (b)**:- In  $[Re_2Cl_4(PMe_2Ph)_4]^+$ , Each Re is in +2.5 oxidation state

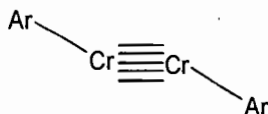
Electronic configuration of Re is  $[Xe]4f^{14}5d^56s^2$

$\therefore$  Both  $Re^{+2.5} = [Xe]4f^{14}5d^{4.5}6s^0$  i.e. total nine electrons

According to molecular orbital diagram formed by  $d$ -orbital interactions; electron configuration:  $\sigma^2\pi^4\delta^2\delta^{*1}$

& bond order i.e. number of metal metal bond is 3.5

5) **Ans (c)**:- Recent study showed that the concept of metal-metal multiple bonds are extended to five known as Quintuple Bonds; e.g



quintuple bonding

In such cases the ligand forms a bond with the 4s orbitals of Cr & hence d-orbitals available for Cr-Cr bonding. Quintuple bond results in a trans-bent geometry rather than linear geometry.

6) **Ans (c)**:- The  $\delta$ -bond is formed via the overlap of  $d_{xy}$  and  $d_{xy}$  orbitals.

The  $\pi$ -bond is formed via the overlap of  $d_{xz}$  and  $d_{xz}$  orbitals and  $d_{yz}$  and  $d_{yz}$  orbitals.

The  $\sigma$ -bond is formed via the overlap of  $d_z^2$  and  $d_z^2$  orbitals.

7) **Ans (b)**:-  $Co_4(CO)_{12}$  adopts the nido structure.

For transition metal cluster the structure is determined according to the following chart

| Structure | valence electrons (n = number of vertices or metal atoms in the cluster) |
|-----------|--|
| Closo     | $14n + 2$ valence electrons  |
| Nido      | $14n + 4$ valence electrons  |
| Arachno   | $14n + 6$ valence electrons  |
| Hypho -   | $14n + 8$ valence electrons  |

In  $\text{Co}_4(\text{CO})_{12}$ ; (Valence electron of Co = 9 & CO = 2) so  $(9 \times 4) + (2 \times 12) = 60$  electrons.

$$\frac{60}{14} = 4 \text{ with remainder } 4$$

Transition metal cluster with  $(14n + 4)$  valence electrons adopts the nido structure (where 4 is remainder)

8) Ans (c):- According to styx code; the styx code of  $\text{B}_4\text{H}_{10}$  is 4012

| According to styx code            | According to this styx code for  |                                     |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| s = Number of 3c-2e B-H-B bonds   | $\text{B}_2\text{H}_6 = 2002$    | $\text{B}_6\text{H}_{10} = 4220$    |
| t = Number of 3c-2e B-B-B bonds   | $\text{B}_4\text{H}_{10} = 4012$ | $\text{B}_{10}\text{H}_{14} = 4620$ |
| y = Number of 2c-2e B-B bonds     | $\text{B}_5\text{H}_9 = 4120$    |                                     |
| x = Number of $\text{BH}_2$ group | $\text{B}_5\text{H}_{11} = 3203$ |                                     |

9) Ans (b):- The Bayer process involves a reaction of borax and quartz sand with hydrogen and metallic sodium to form sodium borohydride. The Bayer process is one of the best known commercial  $\text{NaBH}_4$  production methods.

10) Ans (b):- The structure  $[\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_{12}]$  cluster is arachno type

| cluster                         | Valence electrons | valence electrons (n = number of vertices or metal atoms in the cluster) | Structure |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|--|-----------|
| $[\text{Os}_5(\text{CO})_{16}]$ | 72                | $14n + 2$ valence electrons  | closo     |
| $[\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_{12}]$ | 48                | $14n + 6$ valence electrons  | arachno   |
| $[\text{Ir}_4(\text{CO})_{12}]$ | 60                | $14n + 4$ valence electrons  | nido      |
| $[\text{Rh}_6(\text{CO})_{16}]$ | 86                | $14n + 2$ valence electrons  | closo     |

11) Ans (b):-  $\text{C}_2\text{B}_4\text{H}_8 = \text{B}_6\text{H}_{10}$  (Consider C = BH unit) & is Nido-borane

| Structure | formula                     |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| Closo     | $\text{B}_n\text{H}_n^{2-}$ |
| Nido      | $\text{B}_n\text{H}_{n+4}$  |
| Arachno   | $\text{B}_n\text{H}_{n+6}$  |
| Hypho -   | $\text{B}_n\text{H}_{n+8}$  |

12) Ans (a):- In the cluster  $[\text{Co}_3(\text{CH})(\text{CO})_9]$  3 metal-metal bonds & 1 bridging CH ligands

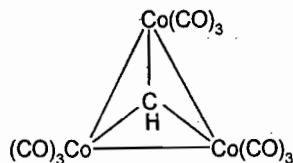
In the cluster  $[\text{Co}_3(\text{CH})(\text{CO})_9]$  according to 18e rule; the number of total electrons should be 54 ( $18 \times 3$ )

∴  $54 = 48$  electrons (Co = 9; CH = 3 & CO = 2) + metal-metal bond

∴ Metal-metal bond =  $54 - 48$  electrons = 6 electrons

$\therefore$  Metal-metal bond =  $6/2 = 3$

And as valency of Carbon is four  $\therefore$  the structure of  $[\text{Co}_3(\text{CH})(\text{CO})_9]$



13) Ans (d):- Tecto-silicates are the Silicates with continuous 3D frame work

14) Ans (b):- Intense band at  $15000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the UV-visible spectrum is due to  $\delta-\delta^*$  due to quadruple bonding in  $[\text{Bu}_4\text{N}]_2\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_8$  i.e.  $[\text{2Bu}_4\text{N}]^+ [\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_8]^{2-}$  ( see hint of question no. 4).

15) Ans (b):-The number of metal-metal bonds in  $\text{Ir}_4(\text{CO})_{12}$  is six

In the  $\text{Ir}_4(\text{CO})_{12}$  according to 18e rule; the total number of electrons must be  $72(18 \times 4)$

$\therefore 72 = 60$  electrons ( $\text{Ir} = 9$ ; &  $\text{CO} = 2$ ) + metal-metal bond

$\therefore$  Metal-metal bond =  $72 - 60$  electrons = 12 electrons

$\therefore$  Metal-metal bond =  $12/2 = 6$

16) Ans (a):- Three (ortho, meta & para)

17) Ans (d):- In  $\text{B}_5\text{H}_9$ , the number of 3c-2e 'BBB' bond is one (Refer the solution of Que. No. 8)

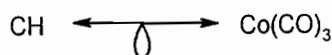
18) Ans (a):- Many of the anions carbonyl cluster species are with encapsulated H e.g.  $[(\text{H})\text{Co}_6(\text{CO})_{15}]^-$   
In such clusters generally one of the CO is replaced by one hydrogen & one negative charge.

19) Ans (a):- The isolobal principle (the isolobal analogy) is a used in organometallic chemistry to relate the structure of organic and inorganic molecular fragments in order to predict bonding properties of organometallic compounds. Isolobal fragments are given in table

| Organic              | Organometallic        |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 5-electron fragments | 15-electron fragments |
| 6-electron fragments | 16-electron fragments |
| 7-electron fragments | 17-electron fragments |
| 8-electron fragments | 18-electron fragments |

| Organic                              | Organometallic  |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| CH = 5 electron fragments            | is isolobal with $\text{Co}(\text{CO})_3 = 15$ electron fragments     |
| $\text{CH}_2 = 6$ electron fragments | is not isolobal with $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_2 = 12$ electron fragments |
| CH = 6 electron fragments            | is not isolobal with $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_4 = 14$ electron fragments |
| $\text{CH}_2 = 6$ electron fragments | is not isolobal with $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_4 = 15$ electron fragments |

So from above table CH is isolobal with  $\text{Co}(\text{CO})_3$



20) Ans (a):- total valence electron count of the complex  $[\text{Fe}_5(\text{CO})_{15}\text{C}] = 74$  ( $\text{Fe} = 8$ ; each  $\text{CO} = 2$  &  $\text{C} = 4$ )

$$\text{structure type} = \frac{\text{total valence electron count}}{14} = \frac{74}{14} = 5 \text{ with 4 remainder i. e. nido}$$

21) Ans (a):-

| Complex  | oxidation state of each Re | Number of d electrons | electron configuration                | bond order |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|
| $[\text{Re}_2(\text{Me}_2\text{PPh})_4\text{Cl}_4]$      | 2                          | 10                    | $\sigma^2 \pi^4 \delta^2 \delta^{*2}$ | 3          |
| $[\text{Re}_2(\text{Me}_2\text{PPh})_4\text{Cl}_4]^+$    | 2.5                        | 9                     | $\sigma^2 \pi^4 \delta^2 \delta^{*1}$ | 3.5        |
| $[\text{Re}_2(\text{Me}_2\text{PPh})_4\text{Cl}_4]^{++}$ | 3                          | 8                     | $\sigma^2 \pi^4 \delta^2$             | 4          |

22) Ans (c):-  $\text{R}_2\text{Si}$  &  $\text{Co}(\text{CO})_3$  are not isolobal

| Organic                                      | Organometallic                                   |
|--|--|
| $\text{CH}_3 = 7$ electron fragments         | $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5 = 17$ electron fragments |
| $\text{O} = 6$ electron fragments            | $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_4 = 16$ electron fragments |
| $\text{R}_2\text{Si} = 6$ electron fragments | $\text{Co}(\text{CO})_3 = 15$ electron fragments |
| $\text{RS} = 7$ electron fragments           | $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5 = 17$ electron fragments |

23) Ans (b):- According to Wade's rule, anion  $\text{C}_2\text{B}_9\text{H}_{12}^- = \text{B}_{11}\text{H}_{14}^-$  is a Nido structure (Consider  $\text{C} = \text{BH}$  unit)

24) Ans (c):- The electron configuration of  $[\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_8]^{2-}$  is  $\sigma^2 \pi^4 \delta^2$ . Complexes with electron in  $\delta$  orbitals are dark in coloured as energy difference of the  $\delta$  and  $\delta^*$  orbitals is very small &  $\delta$  to  $\delta^*$  transition occurs in visible region. Therefore  $[\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_8]^{2-}$  is strong royal blue colour.

25) Ans (a):-  $\text{Mg}_6\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{10}(\text{OH})_8$  is commercially known as asbestos.

26) Ans (b):-  $[\text{Co}(\text{CO})_4]$  is isolobal with  $\text{CH}_3$ . Refer solution of question no. 19 & 22

27) Ans (b):-  $\text{BaTi}[\text{Si}_3\text{O}_9]$  is a class of cyclic silicate

28) Ans (d):- the M-M bond order in  $[\text{Re}_2(\text{Me}_2\text{PPh})_4\text{Cl}_4]^+$  and  $[\text{Re}_2(\text{Me}_2\text{PPh})_4\text{Cl}_4]$  3.5 and 3.0

| Complex   | oxidation state of each Re | Number of d electrons | electron configuration                | bond order |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|
| $[\text{Re}_2(\text{Me}_2\text{PPh})_4\text{Cl}_4]^+$ | 2.5                        | 9                     | $\sigma^2 \pi^4 \delta^2 \delta^{*1}$ | 3.5        |
| $[\text{Re}_2(\text{Me}_2\text{PPh})_4\text{Cl}_4]$   | 2                          | 10                    | $\sigma^2 \pi^4 \delta^2 \delta^{*2}$ | 3          |

29) Ans (c):-  $[\text{B}_5\text{H}_5]^{2-}$ ,  $\text{B}_5\text{H}_9$  and  $\text{B}_5\text{H}_{11}$  classified as closo, nido, arachno respectively

30) Ans (d):- Metal-metal quadruple bonds are well-known for the Re metal

31) Ans (b):-  $\text{P}_4 = \text{B}_4\text{H}_8$  (Consider each  $\text{P} = \text{BH}_2$  unit) & is Nido-borane

32) Ans (b):- Simplest repeat unit of Pyroxenes is  $[\text{SiO}_3]^{2-}$

| Type                                    | General formula                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Ortho silicates or Neso silicates       | $\text{SiO}_4^{4-}$                  |
| Pyro silicates or Soro silicates        | $\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7^{6-}$         |
| Cyclic silicates                        | $(\text{SiO}_3)_n^{2n-}$             |
| Chain silicates or pyroxenes            | $(\text{SiO}_3)_n^{2n-}$             |
| double chain silicates or Amphiboles    | $(\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{11})_n^{6n-}$ |
| Sheet or Phyllo silicates               | $(\text{Si}_2\text{O}_5)_n^{2n-}$    |
| three dimensional or tecto silicates is | $(\text{SiO}_2)_n$                   |

- 33) Ans (d):- The number of 'framework electron pairs' present in the  $[B_{12}H_{12}]^{-2}$  is 13  
The number of 'framework electron pairs' =  $1 \times$  each BH unit (& add  $1/2$  for each negative charge)  
 $\therefore$  The number of 'framework electron pairs' of  $[B_{12}H_{12}]^{-2} = 1 \times 12 + 1 = 13$

34) Ans (a):-The structure of  $Rh_6(CO)_{16}$  is Cluso structure.

In  $Rh_6(CO)_{16}$ ; (Valence electron of Rh = 9 & CO = 2) So  $(9 \times 6) + (2 \times 16) = 86$  electrons.

$$\frac{86}{14} = 6 \text{ with remainder } 2$$

Transition metal cluster with  $(14n + 2)$  valence electrons adopts the cluso structure (where 2 is remainder)

35) Ans (b):-  $B_6H_{10}$  is an example of *nido*-borane

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## Topic 10

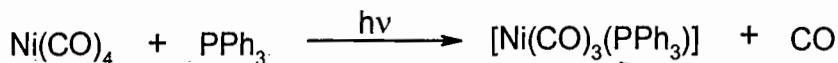
# INORGANIC REACTION MECHANISM

### Questions with two marks

- 1) The reactions of  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$  with the ligand L ( $\text{L} = \text{PMe}_3$  or  $\text{P}(\text{OMe})_3$ ) yields  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_3\text{L}$ . The reaction is [June 2012]
- (a) Associative      (b) Dissociative      (c) Interchange (Ia)      (d) Interchange (Id)

- 2) The reaction of  $[\text{PtCl}_4]^{2-}$  with two equivalent of  $\text{NH}_3$  produces [June 2013]
- (a) *cis*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$       (b) *trans*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$   
 (c) both *cis*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  and *trans*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$       (d) *cis*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_4]^{2-}$

- 3) The rate of the given reaction depends on [Dec 2014]



- (a) Concentration of both the reactants      (b) Concentration of  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$  only  
 (c) Concentration of  $\text{PPh}_3$  only      (d) The steric bulk of  $\text{PPh}_3$
- 4) In the following reaction compound B is [Dec 2014]



- (a) *Trans*- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{NO}_2)(\text{NH}_3)]^-$       (b) *cis*- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{NO}_2)(\text{NH}_3)]^-$   
 (c) *Trans*- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{NH}_3)_2]$       (d) *cis*- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{NO}_2)_2]^{2-}$

### Questions with four marks

- 5) Consider two redox pairs [June 2011]

(1) Cr(II)/Ru(III)      (2) Cr(II)/Co(III)

The rate of acceleration in going from a outer-sphere to a inner-sphere mechanism is lower for

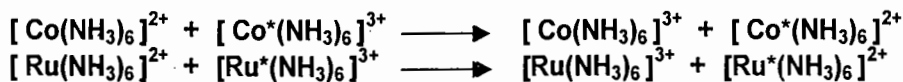
(1) Relative to (2). Its correct explanation is:

- (a) HOMO/LUMO are  $\sigma^*$  and  $\sigma^*$  respectively.      (b) HOMO/LUMO are  $\sigma^*$  and  $\pi^*$  respectively.  
 (c) HOMO/LUMO are  $\pi^*$  and  $\sigma^*$  respectively.      (d) HOMO/LUMO are  $\pi^*$  and  $\pi^*$  respectively.

- 6) A true statement about base hydrolysis of  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{Cl}]^{2+}$  [Dec 2011]

- (a) It is a first order reaction  
 (b) The rate determining step involves the dissociation of chloride in  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{NH}_2)\text{Cl}]^+$   
 (c) The rate is independent of the concentration of the base  
 (d) The rate determining step involves the abstraction of a proton from  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{Cl}]^{2+}$

- 7) For the following outer sphere electron transfer reactions [Dec 2011]



the rate constants are  $10^{-6} \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  and  $8.2 \times 10^2 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  respectively. This difference in the rate constants is due to

- (a) a change from high spin to low spin in  $\text{Co}^*$  and high spin to low spin in Ru.  
 (b) a change from high spin to low spin in  $\text{Co}^*$  and low spin to high spin in  $\text{Ru}^*$ .

- (c) a change from low spin to high spin in  $\text{Co}^*$  and the low spin state remains unchanged in Ru.  
 (d) a change from low spin to high spin in  $\text{Co}^*$  and high spin to low spin in  $\text{Ru}^*$ .
- 8) The platinum complex of  $\text{NH}_3$  and  $\text{Cl}^-$  ligands is an anti-tumor agent. The correct isomeric formula of the complex and its precursor are [Dec 2012]
- (a)  $\text{cis} - [\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  and  $[\text{PtCl}_4]^{-2}$  (b)  $\text{trans} - [\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  and  $[\text{PtCl}_4]^{-2}$   
 (c)  $\text{cis} - [\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  and  $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_4]^{+2}$  (d)  $\text{trans} - [\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  and  $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_4]^{+2}$
- 9) The rate of exchange of  $\text{OH}_2$  present in the coordination sphere by  $^{18}\text{OH}_2$  of, (i)  $[\text{Cu}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$ , (ii)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$ , (iii)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$ , (iv)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$ , follows an order [Dec 2012]
- (a) (i) > (ii) > (iii) > (iv) (b) (i) > (iv) > (iii) > (ii) (c) (ii) > (iii) > (iv) > (i) (d) (iii) > (i) > (iv) > (ii)
- 10) Consider the second order rate constants for the following outer-sphere electron transfer reactions:
- $$\frac{[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}}{[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}} \quad 4.0\text{M}^{-1}\text{sec}^{-1}$$
- $$\frac{[\text{Fe}(\text{phen})_3]^{3+}}{[\text{Fe}(\text{phen})_3]^{2+}} \quad 3.0 \times 10^7 \text{M}^{-1}\text{sec}^{-1}$$
- (Phen = 1,10-phenanthroline)
- The enhanced rate constant for the second reaction is due to the fact that [June 2014]
- (a) The 'phen' is a  $\pi$ -acceptor ligand that allows mixing of electron donor and acceptor orbitals that enhances the rate of electron transfer.  
 (b) The 'phen' is a  $\pi$ -donor ligand that enhances the rate of electron transfer  
 (c) The 'phen' forms charge transfer complex with iron and facilitates the electron transfer  
 (d) The 'phen' forms, kinetically labile complex with iron and facilitates the electron transfer.
- 11) Reduction of  $[\text{Ru}(\text{NH}_3)_5(\text{isonicotinamide})]^{3+}$  with  $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  occurs by inner sphere mechanism and rate of the reaction is determined by dissociation of the successor complex. It is due to the [June 2014]
- (a) Inert ruthenium bridged to inert chromium centre (b) Inert ruthenium bridged to labile chromium centre  
 (c) Labile ruthenium bridged to inert chromium centre (d) Labile ruthenium bridged to labile chromium centre
- 12) Base hydrolysis of  $[\text{CoCl}(\text{NH}_3)_5]^{2+}$  is an overall second order reaction, whereas that of  $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  is of first order. The rates depend in both cases solely on the concentrations of the cobalt complex. This may be due to [Dec 2014]
- A. presence of ionizable proton in  $[\text{CoCl}(\text{NH}_3)_5]^{2+}$  but not in  $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$   
 B.  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}^1\text{CB}$  mechanism in the case of  $[\text{CoCl}(\text{NH}_3)_5]^{2+}$  only  
 C.  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}^1\text{CB}$  mechanism in the case of  $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  only  
 D.  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}^1\text{CB}$  mechanism in both the complexes
- Correct explanation (s) is/are
- (a) A and B (b) A and C (c) B only (d) A and D

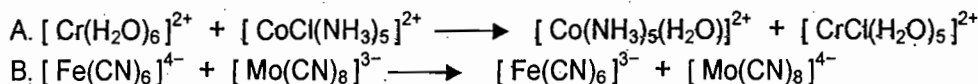
**(Questions from GATE EXAM)****Questions with ONE OR TWO marks**

- 13) The rate of exchange of cyanide ligands in the complexes (i)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ , (ii)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  and (iii)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  by  $^{14}\text{CN}$  follow the order (GATE 2005)
- (a) (ii) > (i) > (iii) (b) (iii) > (i) > (ii) (c) (i) > (iii) > (ii) (d) (i) > (ii) > (iii)
- 14) The CORRECT order of the rate of exchange of water molecules between the coordination sphere and the bulk is (GATE 2006)
- (a)  $\text{Cr}^{3+} < \text{Al}^{3+} < \text{Cr}^{2+} < \text{Ni}^{2+}$  (b)  $\text{Cr}^{3+} < \text{Al}^{3+} < \text{Ni}^{2+} < \text{Cr}^{2+}$  (c)  $\text{Cr}^{3+} < \text{Ni}^{2+} < \text{Cr}^{2+} < \text{Al}^{3+}$  (d)  $\text{Cr}^{3+} < \text{Cr}^{2+} < \text{Al}^{3+} < \text{Ni}^{2+}$



15) Consider the reactions

(GATE 2007)



Which one of the following is the correct statement?

- (i) Both involve an inner sphere mechanism
- (ii) Both involve an outer sphere mechanism
- (iii) Reaction A follows inner sphere and reaction B follows outer sphere mechanism
- (iv) Reaction A follows outer sphere and reaction B follows inner sphere mechanism

- (a) i (b) ii (c) iv (d) iii

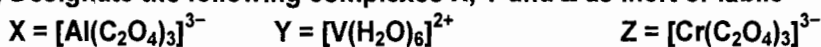
16) The reaction of  $[\text{PtCl}_4]^{2-}$  with  $\text{NH}_3$ , gives rise to

(GATE 2007)

- (a)  $[\text{PtCl}_4(\text{NH}_3)_2]^{2-}$  (b) *trans*- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{NH}_3)_2]$  (c)  $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{NH}_3)_4]$  (d) *cis*- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{NH}_3)_2]$

17) Designate the following complexes X, Y and Z as inert or labile

(GATE 2009)



- (a) X and Y are inert; Z is labile (b) X and Z are labile; Y is inert  
 (c) X is inert; Y and Z are labile (d) X is labile; Y and Z are inert

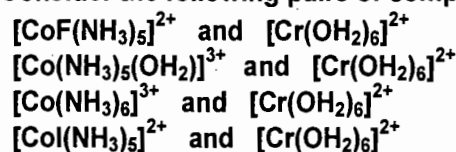
18) The mechanism of the reaction between  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$  and  $[\text{Fe}(\text{bpy})_3]^{3+}$  (bpy = 2,2'-bipyridine) is

(GATE 2010)

- (a) outer-sphere electron-transfer (b) inner-sphere electron-transfer  
 (c) self-exchange reaction (d) ligand exchange followed by electron-transfer

19) Consider the following pairs of complexes

(GATE 2012)



The electron transfer rate will be fastest in the pair

- (a)  $[\text{CoF}(\text{NH}_3)_5]^{2+}$  and  $[\text{Cr}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$  (b)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5(\text{OH}_2)]^{3+}$  and  $[\text{Cr}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$   
 (c)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$  and  $[\text{Cr}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$  (d)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5]^{2+}$  and  $[\text{Cr}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$

Answer Key

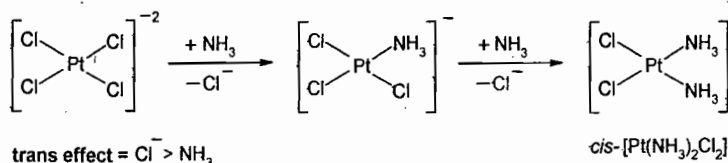
Topic 10 :- Inorganic Reaction Mechanism

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| 1  | b | 2  | a | 3  | b | 4  | a | 5  | b | 6  | b | 7  | c | 8  | a | 9  | a | 10 | a |
| 11 | b | 12 | a | 13 | d | 14 | b | 15 | d | 16 | d | 17 | d | 18 | a | 19 | d |    |   |

**Hints & Solution**

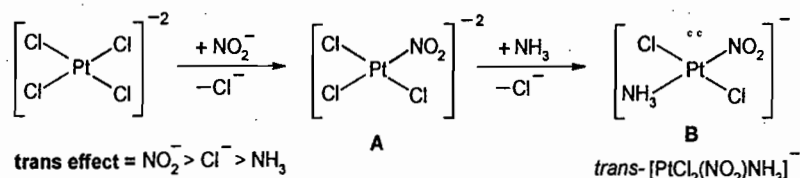
1) Ans (b):- Dissociative Mechanism ( $S_N1$ -like) – typically occurs with 18 electron complexes;

2) Ans (a):- The reaction of  $[\text{PtCl}_4]^{2-}$  with two equivalent of  $\text{NH}_3$  produces *cis*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$



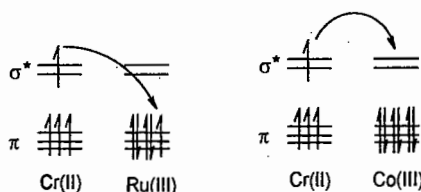
3) Ans (b):- Dissociative Mechanism ( $S_N1$ -like) so rate of reaction depends on concentration of  $Ni(CO)_4$  only

4) Ans (a):- The reaction of  $[PtCl_4]^{-2}$  with  $NO_2^-$  & then  $NH_3$  produces  $Trans-[PtCl_2(NO_2)(NH_3)]^-$



5) Ans (b):- When both HOMO & LUMO are  $\sigma^*$ ; massive acceleration is seen in rates from outer to inner sphere. But in case of Cr(II)/Ru(III) as HOMO/LUMO are  $\sigma^*$  and  $\pi^*$  therefore the rate of acceleration in going from a outer-sphere to a inner-sphere mechanism is lower.

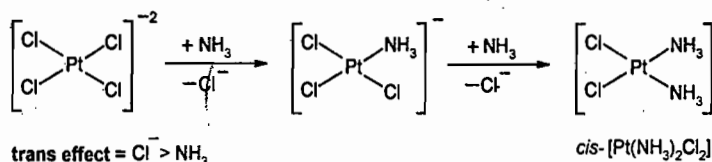
| Reaction       | HOMO            | LUMO            |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Cr(II)/Ru(III) | $\sigma^*(e_g)$ | $\pi^*(t_{2g})$ |
| Cr(II)/Co(III) | $\sigma^*(e_g)$ | $\sigma^*(e_g)$ |



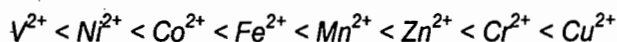
6) Ans (b):- Base hydrolysis of  $[Co(NH_3)_5Cl]^{2+}$  follow the  $S_N1(CB)$  mechanism & the dissociation of chloride ion in  $[Co(NH_3)_4(NH_2)Cl]^+$  is a rate determining step for base hydrolysis of  $[Co(NH_3)_5Cl]^{2+}$ .

7) Ans (c):- A change from low spin to high spin in  $Co^*$  and the low spin state remains unchanged in Ru. (Hint:- factors affecting  $\Delta_o$  & also check for oxidation state of metal ion in reaction)

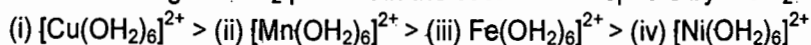
8) Ans (a):- Isomeric formula of the complex and its precursor are  $cis-[Pt(NH_3)_2Cl_2]$  and  $[PtCl_4]^{-2}$



9) Ans (a):- The rates of water exchange in high-spin hexaaqua ions follow the sequences:



A series is based on loss or gain of CFSE (labile/inert). A loss of CFSE means an increase in the activation energy for the reaction and hence a decrease in its rate & vice a versa. Therefore the order of rate of exchange of  $OH_2$  present in the coordination sphere by  $^{18}OH_2$  is



10) Ans (a):- The 'phen' is a  $\pi$ -acceptor ligand that allows mixing of electron donor and acceptor orbitals that enhances the rate of electron transfer.

11) Ans (b):- Reduction of  $[Ru(NH_3)_5(\text{isonicotinamide})]^{3+}$  with  $[Cr(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$  occurs by inner sphere mechanism in which inert ruthenium bridged to very labile chromium centre. In this electron transfer reaction; electron transfer from  $Cr^{2+}$  to bridged isonicotinamide ligand by forming the successor complex.

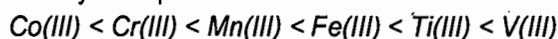
In the next step isonicotinamide transfer the electron through the  $\pi$  system into the  $t_{2g}$  levels of Ru(III) & dissociation of the successor complex is take place

12) Ans (a):- Base hydrolysis of  $[\text{CoCl}(\text{NH}_3)_5]^{2+}$  is  $S_N1_{CB}$  mechanism due to presence of ionizable proton in  $[\text{CoCl}(\text{NH}_3)_5]^{2+}$ .  $S_N1_{CB}$  mechanism is not possible in the case of  $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$ .

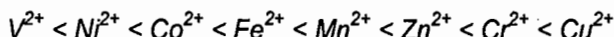
13) Ans (d):- The rate of exchange of cyanide ligands by  $^{14}\text{CN}$  follows the order:



The general increasing order for lability low spin  $M^{+3}$  metal ion is:-



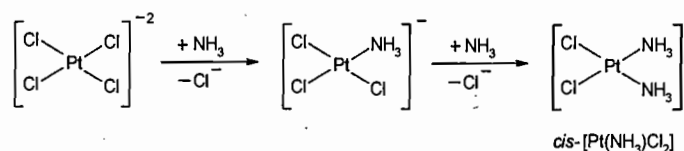
14) Ans (b):- The rates of water exchange in high-spin hexaaqua ions follow the sequences:



A series is based on loss or gain of CFSE (labile/inert). A loss of CFSE means an increase in the activation energy for the reaction and hence a decrease in its rate & vice a versa

15) Ans (d):- Reaction 'A' follows inner sphere and reaction 'B' follows outer sphere mechanism

16) Ans (d):- The reaction of  $[\text{PtCl}_4]^{2-}$  with  $\text{NH}_3$ , gives rise to *cis*-  $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{NH}_3)_2]$



17) Ans (d):- Hint:- High spin metal complexes with  $d^3$  &  $d^8$  metal ion configurations are inert.

$[\text{Al}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3]^{3-}$  is labile ( $d^0$  system);  $[\text{V}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  &  $[\text{Cr}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3]^{3-}$  are inert ( $d^3$  system)

18) Ans (a):- The mechanism of the reaction between  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$  and  $[\text{Fe}(\text{bpy})_3]^{3+}$  (bpy = 2,2'-bipyridine) is outer-sphere electron-transfer

19) Ans (d):- The reaction of  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$  and  $[\text{Cr}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$  have outer sphere mechanism because ligands cannot form bridge between two metal ion while in all other cases bridging is possible due to extra lone pair with which to form bond to the reactant. Bridging is more favorable with  $\text{I}^-$  so rate of  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5]^{2+}$  and  $[\text{Cr}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$  pair is found to be much faster

| Pair of reactant   | Rate of the electron transfer reaction |
|--|--|
| $[\text{CoF}(\text{NH}_3)_5]^{2+}$ and $[\text{Cr}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$             | $2.5 \times 10^5$                      |
| $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5(\text{OH}_2)]^{3+}$ and $[\text{Cr}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$ | $5 \times 10^{-1}$                     |
| $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$ and $[\text{Cr}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$              | $8.9 \times 10^{-6}$                   |
| $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5]^{2+}$ and $[\text{Cr}(\text{OH}_2)_6]^{2+}$              | $3 \times 10^6$                        |

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## Topic 11

# POINT GROUP/SYMMETRY ELEMENT

### Questions with two marks

- 1) The symmetry point group of ethane in its staggered conformation is [Dec 2011]  
 (a)  $C_{3v}$                       (b)  $C_{3d}$                       (c)  $D_{3h}$                       (d)  $S_6$
- 2) Among the following, the CORRECT statement is [June 2012]  
 (a) The number of irreducible representations is equal to classes of symmetry operations.  
 (b) The number of irreducible representations is equal to the order of the symmetry point group.  
 (c) The irreducible representations contained in any point group are always of one dimension.  
 (d) A symmetry point group may not contain a totally symmetric irreducible representation.
- 3) The molecule that has an  $S_6$  symmetry element is [Dec 2012]  
 (a)  $B_2H_6$                       (b)  $CH_4$                       (c)  $PH_5$                       (d)  $SF_6$
- 4) A molecule contains the following symmetry operations-  $E, 2C_6, 2C_3, C_2, 3\sigma_d$  &  $3\sigma_v$ . The number of classes and order of the symmetry point group is [June 2013]  
 (a) 3, 12                      (b) 5, 12                      (c) 6, 12                      (d) 6, 6
- 5) The symmetry point group of propyne is [June 2014]  
 (a)  $C_3$                       (b)  $C_{3v}$                       (c)  $D_3$                       (d)  $D_{3d}$
- 6) The point group symmetries for  $trans [Cr(en)_2F_2]^+$  and  $[TiCl_6]^{3-}$ , respectively are [Dec 2014]  
 (a)  $D_{4d}$  and  $D_{3d}$                       (b)  $D_{3d}$  and  $D_{4d}$                       (c)  $D_{4h}$  and  $D_{3h}$                       (d)  $D_{3h}$  and  $D_{4h}$

### Questions with four marks

- 7) Given the character table of the point group  $C_{3v}$  [June 2011]

|       | E | $2C_3$ | $3\sigma_v$ |       |
|-------|---|--------|-------------|-------|
| $A_1$ | 1 | 1      | 1           | z     |
| $A_2$ | 1 | 1      | -1          |       |
| E     | 2 | -1     | 0           | (x,y) |

Consider the reducible representation,  $\tau$

|        | E | $2C_3$ | $3\sigma_v$ |
|--------|---|--------|-------------|
| $\tau$ | 6 | 3      | 0           |

Its irreducible components are

- (a)  $E + 2A_1 + 2A_2$                       (b)  $2E + A_1 + A_2$                       (c)  $3A_1 + 3A_2$                       (d)  $E^2 + 2A_1$

8) Character table of  $C_{2v}$  point group is

[June 2012]

| $C_{2v}$ | E | $C_2$ | $\sigma_v$ | $\sigma_v'$ |   |
|----------|---|-------|------------|-------------|---|
| $A_1$    | 1 | 1     | 1          | 1           | z |
| $A_2$    | 1 | 1     | -1         | -1          | - |
| $B_1$    | 1 | -1    | 1          | -1          | x |
| $B_2$    | 1 | -1    | -1         | 1           | y |

If the initial and final states belong to  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  irreducible representation respectively, the allowed electronic transition from  $A_1$  to  $B_1$  is

- (a) z-polarized      (b) y-polarized      (c) x-polarized      (d) x, z-polarized

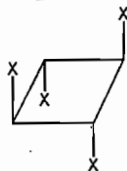
9) Identify the Mulliken notation for the following irreducible representation

[June 2013]

| E | $C_n$ | $nC_2$ | i  | $\sigma_h$ |
|---|-------|--------|----|------------|
| 1 | 1     | -1     | -1 | -1         |

- (a)  $A'_{1u}$       (b)  $A''_{2u}$       (c)  $B'_{2u}$       (d)  $A'_{2u}$

10) Identify the point group symmetry of the following molecule (all C-C bond lengths are equal) [June 2013]



- (a)  $C_{2v}$       (b)  $S_4$       (c)  $D_{2d}$       (d)  $D_{4d}$

11) The transition that is allowed by x-polarized light in trans-butadiene is (The character table for  $C_{2h}$  is given below)

[Dec 2013]

| $C_{2h}$ | E | $C_2$ | i  | $\sigma_h$ |                          |
|----------|---|-------|----|------------|--------------------------|
| $A_g$    | 1 | 1     | 1  | 1          | $R_x, x^2, y^2, z^2, xy$ |
| $B_g$    | 1 | -1    | 1  | -1         | $R_x, R_y, xz, yz$       |
| $A_u$    | 1 | 1     | -1 | -1         | z                        |
| $B_u$    | 1 | -1    | -1 | 1          | x, y                     |

- (a)  ${}^1A_u \rightarrow {}^1A_u$       (b)  ${}^1A_u \rightarrow {}^1B_g$       (c)  ${}^1B_u \rightarrow {}^1B_g$       (d)  ${}^3B_g \rightarrow {}^1A_g$

12) The low temperature ( $-98^\circ\text{C}$ )  ${}^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{SF}_4$  shows doublet of triplets. It is consistent with the point group symmetry

[June 2014]

- (a)  $C_{3v}$       (b)  $C_{4v}$       (c)  $T_d$       (d)  $C_{2v}$

13) The result of the product  $C_2(x) C_2(y)$

[June 2014]

- (a) E (b)  $\sigma_{xy}$  (c)  $C_2(z)$  (d)  $i$

14) The  $E \otimes E$  direct product in  $D_3$  point group contains the irreducible representations

[June 2014]

| $D_3$ | E | $2C_3$ | $3C_2$ |
|-------|---|--------|--------|
| $A_1$ | 1 | 1      | 1      |
| $A_2$ | 1 | 1      | -1     |
| $E_2$ | 2 | -1     | 0      |

- (a)  $A_1 + A_2 + E$  (b)  $2 A_1 + E$  (c)  $2 A_2 + E$  (d)  $2 A_1 + 2 A_2$

15) The product  $\sigma^{xy} \cdot S_4^z$  ( $S_4^z$  is the four fold improper axis of rotation around the z axis, and  $\sigma^{xy}$  is the reflection in the xy plane is) [Dec 2014]

- (a)  $C_4^z$  (b)  $C_4^z \cdot i$  (c)  $C_4^y$  (d)  $C_2^z$

(Questions from GATE EXAM)

Questions with ONE OR TWO marks

16) A molecule has a 2-fold axis and a mirror plane perpendicular to that. The point group must have a

(GATE 2006)

- (a)  $C_2$  axis (b) Centre of inversion (c)  $\sigma_h$  plane (d)  $\sigma_v$  plane

17) The symmetry elements that are present in  $BF_3$  are (GATE 2006)

- (a)  $C_3, \sigma_v, \sigma_h, 3C_2$  (b)  $C_3, 3C_2, S_2, \sigma_v$  (c)  $C_3, 3C_2, \sigma_h, S_2$  (d)  $C_3, \sigma_h, \sigma_v, i$

18) The  $S_2$  operation on a molecule with the axis of rotation as the z axis, moves a nucleus at (x, y, z) to (GATE 2007)

- (a) (-x, -y, z) (b) (x, -y, -z) (c) (-x, y, -z) (d) (-x, -y, -z)

19) The point group of  $NSF_3$  is

(GATE 2008)

- (a)  $D_{3d}$  (b)  $C_{3h}$  (c)  $D_{3h}$  (d)  $C_{3v}$

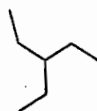
20) The  $T_d$  point group has 24 elements and 5 classes. Given that it has two 3-dimensional irreducible representations, the number of one dimensional irreducible representations is

(GATE 2008)

- (a) 1 (b) 6 (c) 2 (d) 3

21) The point group symmetry of the given planar shape is

(GATE 2011)



- (a)  $D_{3h}$  (b)  $C_3$  (c)  $C_{3h}$  (d)  $C_{3v}$

**Statement for Linked Answer Questions 22, 23 and 24:**

Trans 1,2 difluoroethylene molecule has a 2-fold rotational axis, a symmetry plane perpendicular to the rotational axis and an inversion centre. Answer the following three questions [GATE 2007]

- 22) The number of distinct symmetry operations that can be performed on the molecule is  
 (a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 6 (d) 8
- 23) The number of irreducible representations of the point group of the molecule is  
 (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4
- 24) When two H atoms of the above molecule are also replaced by F atoms, the point group of the resultant molecule will be  
 (a)  $C_i$  (b)  $C_{2h}$  (c)  $C_{2v}$  (d)  $D_{2h}$

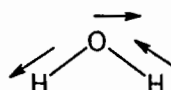
**Linked Answer Questions (25 and 26)**

Character table for the point group  $C_{2v}$  is given below:

[GATE 2009]

| $C_{2v}$ | E | $C_2$ | $\sigma_v(xz)$ | $\sigma_v(yz)$ |          |                 |
|----------|---|-------|----------------|----------------|----------|-----------------|
| $A_1$    | 1 | 1     | 1              | 1              | Z        | $X^2, Y^2, Z^2$ |
| $A_2$    | 1 | 1     | -1             | -1             | $R_z$    | xy              |
| $B_1$    | 1 | -1    | 1              | -1             | x, $R_y$ | xz              |
| $B_2$    | 1 | -1    | -1             | 1              | y, $R_x$ | yz              |

- 25) The reducible representation corresponding to the three translational degrees of freedom,  $\tau_{tr}$   
 (a) 3,1,1,1 (b) 3,-1, 1,1 (c) 3,-1,-1,-1 (d) 3,1,-1,-1
- 26) The asymmetric stretching mode of the  $H_2O$  is shown below. The molecular plane is yz and the symmetry axis of  $H_2O$  is z.



This vibration transforms as the irreducible representation

- (a)  $A_1$  (b)  $B_1$  (c)  $A_2$  (d)  $B_2$
- 27)  $[CoCl_4]^{2-}$  a blue coloured complex. Controlled-treatment of this complex with water generates two isomeric light pink coloured complexes, of composition  $[Co(H_2O)_4Cl_2]$ . Identify the correct point groups for  $[CoCl_4]^{2-}$  and two isomeric complexes  $[Co(H_2O)_4Cl_2]$ . [GATE 2010]  
 (a)  $D_{4h}$  and ( $C_{2v}$  &  $C_{2h}$ ) (b)  $T_d$  and ( $C_{2v}$  &  $D_{4h}$ )  
 (c)  $D_{4h}$  and ( $C_{2v}$  &  $D_{4h}$ ) (d)  $T_d$  and ( $C_{2v}$  &  $C_{4v}$ )
- 28) The point group of  $ClF_3$  molecule and its corresponding number of irreducible representations are respectively [GATE 2010]  
 (a)  $C_{3v}$  & 4 (b)  $C_{2v}$  & 4 (c)  $C_{3v}$  & 3 (d)  $C_{2v}$  & 3
- 29) Symmetry operations of the four  $C_2$  axes perpendicular to the principal axis belong to the same class in the point group(s) [GATE 2012]  
 (A)  $D_4$  (B)  $D_{4d}$  (C)  $D_{4h}$  (D)  $D_{4h}$  and  $D_{4d}$

30) The point group symmetry of  $\text{CH}_2=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$  is

[GATE 2013]

- (a)
- $D_{2h}$
- (b)
- $C_{2h}$
- (c)
- $C_{2v}$
- (d)
- $D_{2d}$

31) Conversion of boron trifluoride to tetrafluoroborate accompanies

[GATE 2013]

- (a) increase in symmetry and bond elongation (b) increase in symmetry and bond contraction
- 
- (c) decrease in symmetry and bond contraction (d) decrease in symmetry and bond elongation

32) The number of  $C_2$  axes in  $\text{CCl}_4$  is

[GATE 2014]

- (a) Two (b) Three (c) Four (d) Five

←————— Answer Key —————→

**Topic 11: –Point group/Symmetry element**

|    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |
|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|
| 1  | b | 2  | a | 3  | d | 4  | c | 5  | b | 6  | c | 7  | a | 8  | c | 9  | c | 10 | c |
| 11 | b | 12 | d | 13 | c | 14 | a | 15 | a | 16 | b | 17 | a | 18 | d | 19 | d | 20 | c |
| 21 | a | 22 | b | 23 | d | 24 | d | 25 | b | 26 | d | 27 | b | 28 | b | 29 | c | 30 | d |
| 31 | a | 32 | b |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |

**Hints & Solution**

- 1) **Ans (b):-** The symmetry point group of ethane in its staggered conformation is  $D_{3d}$
- 2) **Ans (a):-** The CORRECT statement is the number of irreducible representations is equal to classes of symmetry operations according to assumptions of the Great Orthogonality Theorem
- 3) **Ans (d):-** The molecule that has an  $S_6$  symmetry element is  $\text{SF}_6$ . Here,  $S_6$  is improper axis of rotation  
Condition for the improper axis ( $S_n$ ):- There must be either rotation followed by reflection or reflection followed by rotation occurs that is  $S_n = C_n \cdot \sigma_h$  or  $\sigma_h \cdot C_n$  this type of rotation only when  $C_n \perp \sigma_h$ .
- 4) **Ans (c):-** The number classes is equal to the number of symmetry operations & Order of point group = Total number of symmetry elements.

| Symmetry element    | E | $2C_6$ | $2C_3$ | $C_2$ | $3\sigma_d$ | $3\sigma_v$ | Total |
|---------------------|---|--------|--------|-------|-------------|-------------|-------|
| Operations/ classes | 1 | 1      | 1      | 1     | 1           | 1           | 6     |
| Order               | 1 | 2      | 2      | 1     | 3           | 3           | 12    |

- 5) **Ans (b):-** The symmetry point group of propyne is  $C_{3v}$
- 6) **Ans (c):-** The point group symmetries for  $\text{trans} [\text{Cr}(\text{en})_2\text{F}_2]^+$  and  $[\text{TiCl}_6]^{3-}$ , are  $D_{4h}$  and  $D_{3h}$  respectively
- 7) **Ans (a):-**  $n_j = \frac{1}{h} \sum_{R_p} g_p \chi_i(R_p) \chi_j(R_p)$

Order h of  $C_{3v}$  point group is 6. Hence using the character table of the  $C_{3v}$  point group & the above equation



we get;

$$A_1 = \frac{1}{6} [(1)(1)(6) + (2)(1)(3) + (3)(1)(0)] = 2 \text{ that is } 2A_1$$

$$A_2 = \frac{1}{6} [(1)(1)(6) + (2)(1)(3) + (3)(-1)(0)] = 2 \text{ that is } 2A_2$$

$$E = \frac{1}{6} [(1)(2)(6) + (2)(-1)(3) + (3)(0)(0)] = 1 \text{ that is } E$$

Therefore irreducible component are  $E + 2A_1 + 2A_2$

8) Ans (c):- The initial and final states belong to  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  is x-polarized that is

| $C_{2v}$                  | E | $C_2$ | $\sigma_v$ | $\sigma_{v'}$ |   |
|---------------------------|---|-------|------------|---------------|---|
| $A_1$                     | 1 | 1     | 1          | 1             | z |
| $B_1$                     | 1 | -1    | 1          | -1            | x |
| $A_1 \leftrightarrow B_1$ | 1 | -1    | 1          | -1            |   |

9) Ans (c):-  $B_{2u}$  (Use following rule to determine the Mulliken notation)

| The Mulliken notation used to describe the symmetry species of point groups including their meaning with respect to molecular symmetry |   |
|--|---|
| A  | Symmetric with respect to principal axis of symmetry  |
| B  | Antisymmetric with respect to principal axis of symmetry  |
| E  | Doubly degenerate, two-dimensional irreducible representation   |
| T  | Triply degenerate, three-dimensional irreducible representation   |
| g  | Symmetric with respect to a center of symmetry  |
| u  | Antisymmetric with respect to a center of symmetry  |
| 1 (subscript)  | Symmetric with respect to a $C_2$ axis that is perpendicular to the principal axis. Where there is no such axis the subscript indicates that reflection in a $\sigma_v$ plane of symmetry is symmetric.         |
| 2 (subscript)  | Antisymmetric with respect to a $C_2$ axis that is perpendicular to the principal axis. Where there is no such axis the subscript indicates that reflection in a $\sigma_v$ plane of symmetry is antisymmetric. |
| ' (prime)  | Symmetric with respect to reflection in a horizontal plane of symmetry  |
| " (prime)  | Antisymmetric with respect to reflection in a horizontal plane of symmetry  |

10) Ans (c):- The point group symmetry of the given molecule is  $D_{2d}$

11) Ans (b):- The transition that is allowed by x-polarized light in trans-butadiene is  ${}^1A_u \rightarrow {}^1B_g$

| $C_{2h}$ | E | $C_2$ | i  | $\sigma_h$ |                    |
|----------|---|-------|----|------------|--------------------|
| $B_g$    | 1 | -1    | 1  | -1         | $R_x, R_y, xz, yz$ |
| $A_u$    | 1 | 1     | -1 | -1         | z                  |
| $B_u$    | 1 | -1    | -1 | 1          | x, y               |

12) Ans (d):- According to VSEPR shape of SF<sub>4</sub> is sea-saw and point group of molecule with sea-saw structure is C<sub>2v</sub>

13) Ans (c):- C<sub>2</sub>(x) C<sub>2</sub>(y) = C<sub>2</sub>(z) This is the Element transformation (Matrix method)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

14) Ans (a):-

| D <sub>3</sub> | E | 2C <sub>3</sub> | 3C <sub>2</sub> |
|----------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| E              | 2 | -1              | 0               |
| E              | 2 | -1              | 0               |
| E ⊗ E          | 4 | 1               | 0               |

E ⊗ E is a reducible representation, with the help of reducible representation we can calculate the set of irreducible representation of D<sub>3</sub> point group.

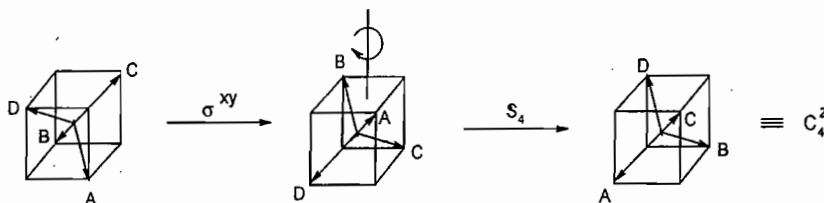
$$\eta_{A_1} = 1/6 [4+2+0] = 1$$

$$\eta_{A_2} = 1/6 [4+2+0] = 1$$

$$\eta_E = 1/6 [8-2+0] = 1$$

Therefore E ⊗ E direct product in D<sub>3</sub> point group contains the irreducible representations A<sub>1</sub> + A<sub>2</sub> + E.

15) Ans (a):- The product of σ<sup>xy</sup>. s<sub>4</sub><sup>z</sup> is C<sub>4</sub><sup>z</sup>



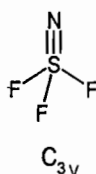
16) Ans (b):- The D<sub>nh</sub> group that have n-two fold axes perpendicular to the principal axes (n-fold) in addition σ<sub>h</sub> plane. It has three mutually perpendicular two fold axes, σ<sub>h</sub> plane & as consequences a center of inversion (that is n-two fold axes & σ<sub>h</sub> is perpendicular).

17) Ans (a):- The symmetry elements that are present in BF<sub>3</sub> are C<sub>3</sub>, σ<sub>v</sub>, σ<sub>h</sub>, 3C<sub>2</sub> because BF<sub>3</sub> has D<sub>3h</sub> point group. (symmetry elements for D<sub>3h</sub> point group are E, 2C<sub>3</sub>, 3C<sub>2</sub>, σ<sub>h</sub>, 3σ<sub>v</sub>, 2S<sub>3</sub>)

18) Ans (d):- The S<sub>2</sub> operation on a molecule with the axis of rotation as the z axis, moves a nucleus at (x, y, z) to (-x, -y, -z). As S<sub>2</sub> operation is equal to C<sub>2</sub> operation followed by σ<sub>h</sub> operation. If the C<sub>2</sub> axis as 'z', the effect of first would be to convert every point (x, y, z) into & equivalent point at (-x, -y, z). Second step the reflection xy plane would transpose every coordinate z into -z that is: (-x, -y, z) → (-x, -y, -z)

$$\text{Therefore net effect is } (x,y,z) \xrightarrow{S_2} (-x,-y,-z)$$

19) Ans (d):- The shape of NSF<sub>3</sub> is like a trigonal pyramidal so point group of NSF<sub>3</sub> is C<sub>3v</sub>



20) **Ans (c):-** Hint:- From the character table of  $T_d$  point group, the irreducible set are  $A_1, A_2, E, T_1, T_2$ . From the given data the  $T_d$  point group have 5 classes & two 3-dimensional irreducible representations, the number of one dimensional irreducible representations is two ( $A_1$  &  $A_2$ ) (A term belongs to one dimension; E term belongs two dimension & T term belongs to three dimension)

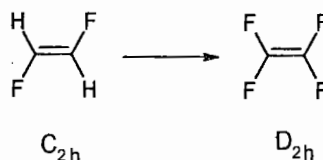
21) **Ans (a):-** The point group symmetry of the given planar shape is  $D_{3h}$

22) **Ans (b):-** Trans 1,2 difluoroethylene molecule has a 2-fold rotational axis, a symmetry plane perpendicular to the rotational axis and an inversion centre. The number of distinct symmetry operations is equal to the numbers of classes. In this example numbers of classes are identity, 2-fold rotational axis, a symmetry plane perpendicular to the rotational axis and an inversion centre that is equal to four.

| Symmetry element $C_{2h}$ | E | $C_2(z)$ | $i$ | $\sigma(xz)$ | Total |
|---------------------------|---|----------|-----|--------------|-------|
| classes                   | 1 | 1        | 1   | 1            | 4     |

23) **Ans (d):-** The number of irreducible representations of the point group of the molecule is 4.  
Hint:- The number of irreducible representations is equal to the number of classes.

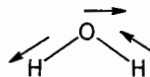
24) **Ans (d):-** When two H atoms of the above molecule are also replaced by F atoms, the point group of the resultant molecule will be  $D_{2h}$



25) **Ans (b):-** The reducible representation corresponding to the three translational degrees of freedom,  $\tau_{tr}$  3, -1, 1, 1 In this case translational degree of freedom  $\tau_{tr}$  from  $C_{2v}$  character table  $\tau_{tr} = A_1 + B_1 + B_2$  corresponding to  $T_x, T_y$  &  $T_z$  respectively.

| $C_{2v}$    | E | $C_2$ | $\sigma_v(xz)$ | $\sigma_v(yz)$ |          |                 |
|-------------|---|-------|----------------|----------------|----------|-----------------|
| $A_1$       | 1 | 1     | 1              | 1              | Z        | $X^2, Y^2, Z^2$ |
| $B_1$       | 1 | -1    | 1              | -1             | x, $R_y$ | xz              |
| $B_2$       | 1 | -1    | -1             | 1              | y, $R_x$ | yz              |
| $\tau_{tr}$ | 3 | -1    | 1              | 1              |          |                 |

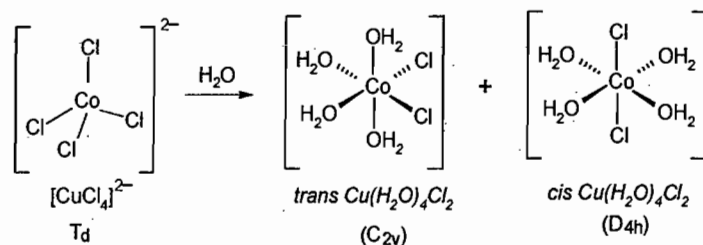
26) **Ans (d):-** The asymmetric stretching mode of the  $H_2O$  is shown below. The molecular plane is yz and the symmetry axis of  $H_2O$  is z.



The molecular plane  $\sigma_{yz}$  corresponds to  $B_2$  irreducible representation & symmetry axis of  $H_2O$  is  $C_2(z)$  corresponds to  $A_1$  irreducible representation from the given character table. Therefore  $A_1 \rightarrow B_2$  transformation equal to  $B_2$  irreducible representation.

| $C_{2v}$         | E | $C_2$ | $\sigma_v(xz)$ | $\sigma_v(yz)$ |                      |
|------------------|---|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|
| $A_1$            | 1 | 1     | 1              | 1              |                      |
| $B_2$            | 1 | -1    | -1             | 1              |                      |
| $A_1 \times B_2$ | 1 | -1    | -1             | 1              | corresponds to $B_2$ |

27) Ans (b):- Two isomeric complexes  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4\text{Cl}_2]$  are as given below,



28) Ans (b):- The point group of  $\text{ClF}_3$  molecule and its corresponding number of irreducible representations are respectively  $C_{2v}$  & 4

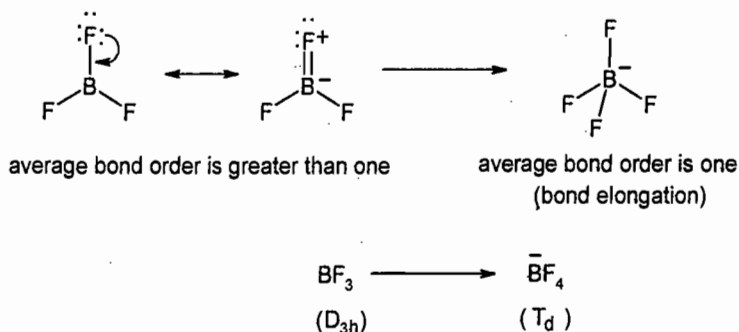
| Symmetry element of $C_{2v}$ | E | $C_2(z)$ | $\sigma_v$ | $\sigma'_v$ | Total |
|------------------------------|---|----------|------------|-------------|-------|
| classes                      | 1 | 1        | 1          | 1           | 4     |

Therefore number of irreducible representation = number of classes = 4.

29) Ans (c):- Symmetry operations of the four  $C_2$  axes perpendicular to the principal axis belong to the same class in the point group(s)  $D_{4h}$  (Refer the solution of question number 16 ).

30) Ans (b):- The point group symmetry of  $\text{CH}_2=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$  is  $D_{2d}$ .

31) Ans (a):- In  $\text{BF}_3$  ( $D_{3h}$ ) due to stronger  $2p(\text{B})-2p(\text{F})$   $\pi$  back bonding; bond order of each B-F bond is greater than one while in  $\text{BF}_4^-$  ( $T_d$ ) bond order of B-F is one therefore conversion of  $\text{BF}_3$  to  $\text{BF}_4^-$  accompanies with bond elongation. Point group  $T_d$  is group of high symmetry than  $D_{3h}$



32) Ans (b):- The number of  $C_2$  axes in  $\text{CCl}_4$  is three. The point group of  $\text{CCl}_4$  is tetrahedral. The symmetry elements for tetrahedral point group are E,  $8C_3$ ,  $3C_2$ ,  $6S_4$ ,  $6\sigma_d$

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## Topic 12

# SOLID STATE

### Questions with two marks

- 1) The value of  $d_{111}$  in a cubic crystal is 325.6 pm. The value of  $d_{333}$  is [Dec 2011]  
(a) 325.6 pm      (b) 976.8 pm      (c) 108.5 pm      (d) 625.6 pm
- 2) How many atoms are there in an element packed in a fcc structure [June 2012]  
(a) 1      (b) 2      (c) 4      (d) 8
- 3) The structure obtained when all the tetrahedral holes are occupied in a fcc structure is of the type [June 2012]  
(a) NaCl      (b) CsCl      (c) CaF<sub>2</sub>      (d) ZnS
- 4) The angle between the two planes represented by the Miller indices (110) and (111) in a simple cubic lattice is: [Dec 2012]  
(a) 30°      (b) 45°      (c) 60°      (d) 90°
- 5) The packing fraction of a simple cubic lattice is close to  
(a) 0.94      (b) 0.76      (c) 0.52      (d) 0.45
- 6) The coordinates for the atoms in a body centred cubic unit cell are [June 2013]  
(a) (0, 0, 0) and (1/2, 0, 0)      (b) (0, 0, 0) and (1/2, 1/2, 1/2)  
(c) (0, 0, 0) and (0, 1/2, 0)      (d) (0, 0, 0) and (0, 0, 1/2)
- 7) The inter planar distance ( $\text{\AA}$ ) for a (100) plane in a cubic structure with the lattice parameter of 4  $\text{\AA}$  is: [June 2013]  
(a) 1      (b) 2      (c) 4      (d) 8
- 8) When Frenkel defects are created in an otherwise perfect ionic crystal, the density of the ionic crystal [Dec 2013]  
(a) increases      (b) decreases  
(c) remains same      (d) oscillates with the number of defects
- 9) A compound of M and X atoms has a cubic unit cell. M atoms are at the corners and body centre position and X atoms are at face centre positions of the cube. The molecular formula of the compound is [Dec 2013]  
(a) MX      (b) MX<sub>2</sub>      (c) M<sub>3</sub>X<sub>2</sub>      (d) M<sub>2</sub>X<sub>3</sub>
- 10) The angle at which the first order Bragg reflection is observed from (110) plane in a simple cubic unit cell of side 3.238  $\text{\AA}$  when chromium K $\alpha$  radiation of wavelength 2.29  $\text{\AA}$  is used, is [Dec 2013]  
(a) 30°      (b) 45°      (c) 60°      (d) 90°
- 11) Number of rotational symmetry axes for triclinic crystal system is [June 2014]  
(a) 4      (b) 3      (c) 1      (d) 0

**Questions with four marks**

- 12) The lattice parameter of an element stabilized in a fcc structure is  $4.04 \text{ \AA}$ . The atomic radius of the element is [June 2012]  
 (a)  $2.86 \text{ \AA}$       (b)  $1.43 \text{ \AA}$       (c)  $4.29 \text{ \AA}$       (d)  $5.72 \text{ \AA}$
- 13) Coordination number of "C" in  $\text{Be}_2\text{C}_3$  whose structure is correlated with that of  $\text{CaF}_2$ , is: [Dec 2012]  
 (a) 2      (b) 4      (c) 6      (d) 8
- 14) Crystal A diffracts from (111) and (200) planes but not from (110) plane, while the crystal B diffracts from (110) and (200) planes but not from the (111) plane. From the above, we may conclude that [Dec 2012]  
 (a) A has fcc lattice while B has bcc lattice      (b) A has bcc lattice while B has fcc lattice  
 (c) A and B both have fcc lattice      (d) A and B both have bcc lattice.
- 15) A metal crystallizes in fcc structure with a unit cell side of  $500 \text{ pm}$ . If the density of the crystal is  $1.33 \text{ g/cc}$ , the molar mass of the metal is close to [Dec 2012]  
 (a) 23      (b) 24      (c) 25      (d) 26
- 16) A plane of spacing 'd' shows first order Bragg diffraction at angle  $\theta$ . A plane of spacing  $2d$  [June 2013]  
 (a) shows Bragg diffraction at  $2\theta$       (b) shows Bragg diffraction at  $\theta/2$   
 (c) shows Bragg diffraction at  $\sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{2} \right)$       (d) shows Bragg diffraction at  $\sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} \right)$
- 17) An element exists in two crystallographic modifications with FCC and BCC structures. The ratio of the densities of the FCC and BCC modifications in terms of the volumes of their unit cells ( $V_{\text{FCC}}$  and  $V_{\text{BCC}}$ ) is [Dec 2013]  
 (a)  $V_{\text{BCC}} : V_{\text{FCC}}$       (b)  $2V_{\text{BCC}} : V_{\text{FCC}}$       (c)  $V_{\text{BCC}} : 2V_{\text{FCC}}$       (d)  $V_{\text{BCC}} : \sqrt{2}V_{\text{FCC}}$
- 18) Metallic gold crystallizes in fcc structure with unit cell dimension of  $4.00 \text{ \AA}$ . The atomic radius of gold is [Dec 2013]  
 (a)  $0.866 \text{ \AA}$       (b)  $1.414 \text{ \AA}$       (c)  $1.732 \text{ \AA}$       (d)  $2.000 \text{ \AA}$
- 19) Both NaCl and KCl crystallize with the Fcc structure. However, the X-ray powder diffraction pattern corresponds to the fcc structure whereas, that of KCl corresponds to simple cubic structure. This is because [Dec 2013]  
 (a)  $\text{K}^+$  and  $\text{Cl}^-$  are isoelectronic      (b)  $\text{Na}^+$  and  $\text{Cl}^-$  are isoelectronic  
 (c)  $\text{K}^+$  and  $\text{Cl}^-$  are disordered in the crystal lattice      (d) KCl has anti-site defects.
- 20) A compound  $\text{A}_x\text{B}_y$  has a cubic structure with A atoms occupying all corners of the cube as well as all the face centre positions. The B atoms occupy four tetrahedral voids. The values of x and y respectively, are [June 2014]  
 (a) 4, 4      (b) 4, 8      (c) 8, 4      (d) 4, 2
- 21) The interplanar spacing of (110) planes in a cubic unit cell with lattice parameter  $a = 4.242 \text{ \AA}$  is  
 (a)  $3 \text{ \AA}$       (b)  $6 \text{ \AA}$       (c)  $7.35 \text{ \AA}$       (d)  $2.45 \text{ \AA}$

**(Questions from GATE EXAM)**

**Questions with ONE OR TWO marks**

- 22) The arrangement of sulphur in zinc blende and wurtzite structures, respectively, are (GATE 2006)  
 (a) hexagonal close packing and cubic close packing (b) cubic close packing and hexagonal close packing  
 (c) hexagonal close packing in both the structures (d) simple cubic packing in both the structures
- 23) For a face centered cubic lattice, the Miller indices for the first Bragg's peak (smallest Bragg angle) are (GATE 2012)  
 (A) 0 0 2 (B) 1 1 1 (C) 0 0 1 (D) 1 1 0
- 24) A crystal has the lattice parameters  $a \neq b \neq c$  and  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$ . The crystal system is (GATE 2013)  
 (a) Tetragonal (b) Monoclinic (c) Cubic (d) Orthorhombic
- 25) The increasing order of melting points of the halides NaCl, CuCl and NaF is (GATE 2013)  
 (a)  $\text{CuCl} < \text{NaCl} < \text{NaF}$  (b)  $\text{NaF} < \text{NaCl} < \text{CuCl}$  (c)  $\text{NaF} < \text{CuCl} < \text{NaCl}$  (d)  $\text{CuCl} < \text{NaF} < \text{NaCl}$
- 26) A metal crystallizes in face-centered cubic lattice with a lattice parameter of 4.20 Å. The shortest atom to atom contact distance in the lattice is (GATE 2013)  
 (a) 4.20 Å (b) 2.97 Å (c) 2.42 Å (d) 2.10 Å
- 27) The lattice parameters for a monoclinic crystal are (GATE 2008)  
 (a)  $a \neq b \neq c$ ;  $\alpha = \gamma = 90^\circ$  (b)  $a = b \neq c$ ;  $\alpha \neq \beta \neq \gamma$   
 (c)  $a \neq b \neq c$ ;  $\alpha \neq \beta \neq \gamma$  (d)  $a = b = c$ ;  $\alpha = \gamma = 90^\circ$
- 28) Molybdenum crystallizes in a bcc structure with unit cell dimensions of 0.314 nm. Considering the atomic mass of molybdenum to be 96, its density (in  $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ ) is in the range of: (GATE 2014)  
 (a) 8000-10000 (b) 10000-10200 (c) 10000-10300 (d) 10000-10500

← Answer Key →

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|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|
| 1  | c | 2  | c | 3  | c | 4  | b | 5  | c | 6  | b | 7  | c | 8  | c | 9  | d | 10 | a |
| 11 | d | 12 | b | 13 | d | 14 | a | 15 | c | 16 | c | 17 | b | 18 | b | 19 | a | 20 | a |
| 21 | a | 22 | b | 23 | b | 24 | d | 25 | a | 26 | b | 27 | a | 28 | d |    |   |    |   |

**Hint & solution**

1) Ans (c):- The distance between the parallel planes in crystals are designated as  $d_{hkl}$ . For different cubic lattices these interplanar spacing are given by the general formula,

$$d_{hkl} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{h^2 + k^2 + l^2}}$$

Where  $a$  is the length of cube side while  $h$ ,  $k$  and  $l$  are the Miller indices of the plane.  
For a cubic crystal,

$$d_{111} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{1^2+1^2+1^2}} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$d_{333} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{3^2+3^2+3^2}} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{27}} = \frac{a}{3\sqrt{3}} \text{ but } \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}} = d_{111}$$

$$\therefore d_{333} = \frac{d_{111}}{3} = \frac{325.6}{3} = 108.5 \text{ pm}$$

2) Ans (c):- Number of atoms in different types of unit cells:-

| Types of unit cells     | Number of atoms (z) present in a unit cell |
|-------------------------|--|
| Primitive unit cell:    | 1 atom                                     |
| Face centred unit cell: | 4 atoms                                    |
| Body centred unit cell: | 2 atoms                                    |
| Edge centred unit cell: | 1.5 atoms                                  |

3) Ans (c):-

| Structure      | arrangements  |
|----------------|---|
| NaCl           | $\text{Cl}^-$ with $\text{Na}^+$ in all octahedral holes        |
| CsCl           | bcc structure   |
| $\text{CaF}_2$ | $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ with $\text{F}^-$ in all Tetrahedral holes     |
| ZnS            | $\text{S}^{2-}$ with $\text{Zn}^{2+}$ in half Tetrahedral holes |

4) Ans (b):- In a simple cubic lattice the angle between any two planes can be calculated as

$$\cos\theta = \frac{h_1h_2 + k_1k_2 + l_1l_2}{\sqrt{(h_1^2 + k_1^2 + l_1^2)} \sqrt{(h_2^2 + k_2^2 + l_2^2)}}$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{1 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 + 0 \times 1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 0^2} \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2}}$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} = 0.82$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}(0.82) = 35^\circ$$

Thus the angle between the two planes (110) and (111) in a simple cubic lattice is:  $\theta = 35.3^\circ$  i.e.  $45^\circ$  in option  
The angles between the two planes are given in table:-

| ANGLE | 100  | 110  | 010  | 001  | 101  |
|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 100   | 0.00 | 45.0 | 90.0 | 90.0 | 45.0 |
| 010   | 90.0 | 60.0 | 45.0 | 45.0 | 60.0 |
| 111   | 54.7 | 35.3 | 54.7 | 54.7 | 35.3 |
| 211   | 35.2 | 30.0 | 65.9 | 65.9 | 30.0 |
| 311   | 25.2 | 31.4 | 72.4 | 72.4 | 31.4 |
| 511   | 15.8 | 35.2 | 78.9 | 78.9 | 35.2 |
| 711   | 11.4 | 37.6 | 81.9 | 81.9 | 37.6 |



5) Ans (c):-

| Types of unit cells                     | Packing fraction (in %) |
|---|-------------------------|
| Simple cubic arrangement                | 52                      |
| Body centered cubic (BCC) arrangement   | 68                      |
| Face centered cubic (FCC) arrangement   | 74                      |
| Hexagonal close cubic (HCC) arrangement | 74                      |

6) Ans (b):- The coordinates for the atoms in a body centred cubic unit cell e.g. CsCl are (0,0,0) & (1/2,1/2,1/2). There is a Cl<sup>-</sup> ion at the coordinates 0,0,0; & there is a Cs<sup>+</sup> ion at the coordinates 1/2, 1/2, 1/2.

7) Ans (c):- Given a = 4

We have,

$$d_{hkl} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{h^2 + k^2 + l^2}}$$

$$d_{100} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{1^2 + 0^2 + 0^2}} = 4$$

8) Ans (c):- Frenkel defects is a point defect formed due to shifting of an atom or ion from its normal lattice point to an interstitial site & therefore density of the ionic crystal remains same in Frenkel defects as ions are not missing from the lattice

9) Ans (d):-

| Types of lattice point | Contribution to one unit cell |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Corner                 | 1/8                           |
| Edge                   | 1/4                           |
| Face centered          | 1/2                           |
| Body centre            | 1                             |

$$M \text{ atoms} = 8 \times \frac{1}{8} + 1 \times 1 = 2 \quad \& \quad X \text{ atoms} = 6 \times \frac{1}{2} = 3$$

∴ The molecular formula of the compound is M<sub>2</sub>X<sub>3</sub>

10) Ans (a):- We know;  $2d \sin \theta = n\lambda$  but d is not given therefore  $d_{110} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 0^2}} = d_{110} = a/\sqrt{2}$

$$\text{Now, equation } n\lambda = 2d \sin \theta \text{ now become } n\lambda = \frac{2a \sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore \sin \theta = \frac{2.29 \text{ \AA} \sqrt{2}}{2 \times 3.238 \text{ \AA}} = 0.5$$

$$\theta = \sin^{-1}(0.5) = 30^\circ$$

11) Ans (d):- Number of rotational symmetry axes is zero for triclinic crystal system. Axial distances & Angles in case of triclinic crystal system are  $a \neq b \neq c$  &  $\alpha \neq \beta \neq \gamma \neq 90^\circ$  respectively, therefore no axis of symmetry.

12) Ans (b):- Given a = 4.04 Å.

$$\text{In a fcc structure; the atomic radius of the element (r)} = \frac{\sqrt{2}a}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{2} \times 4.04 \text{ \AA}}{4} = 1.4284 \text{ \AA}$$

13) Ans (d):- Coordination number of "C" in  $\text{Be}_2\text{C}_3$  is 8

| Structure               | Cation                               | Anion                                 |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| $\text{CaF}_2$          | $\text{Ca}^{+2}$ (divalent) ; CN = 8 | $\text{F}^-$ (monovalent); CN = 4     |
| $\text{Be}_2\text{C}_3$ | $\text{Be}^+$ (monovalent) ; CN = 4  | $\text{C}_3^{-2}$ (divalent) ; CN = 8 |

14) Ans (a):- A has fcc lattice while B has bcc lattice

| Selection Rules for Diffraction Peaks in Cubic Systems |                               |                              |
|--|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Bravais lattice  | Allowed reflections           | Forbidden reflections        |
| Simple cubic   | Any $h, k, l$                 | None                         |
| Body-centered cubic                                    | $h + k + l = \text{even}$     | $h + k + l = \text{odd}$     |
| Face-centered cubic                                    | $h, k, l$ all odd or all even | $h, k, l$ mixed odd and even |

15) Ans (c):- Density is given by formula:-

$$\text{Density}(\rho) = \frac{Z \cdot M}{N_A a^3}$$

Where Z = no. of atoms in unit cell; in case of fcc structure the number of atoms are 4

M = molar mass = ?

$N_A$  = Avogadro number =  $6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

& a = edge length = 500 pm =  $500 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m} = 500 \times 10^{-10} \text{ cm}$

Density ( $\rho$ ) = 1.33 g/cc

$$M = \frac{\rho \cdot N_A a^3}{Z}$$

By solving we get the molar mass of the metal is close to = 25

16) Ans (c):- We know Bragg equation:-  $n\lambda = 2d\sin\theta$  or  $d = \frac{\lambda}{2\sin\theta}$  (for first order  $n = 1$ )

By rearranging equation:  $\sin\theta = \frac{n\lambda}{2d}$  But  $d = 2d \dots \dots \dots (1)$

$$\sin\theta = \frac{\lambda}{4d} \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

Now putting the value of  $d = \frac{\lambda}{2\sin\theta}$  in equation (2) & by solving we get

$$\sin\theta = \frac{\sin\theta}{2}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin\theta}{2} \right)$$

17) Ans (b):- Density is given by formula:-

$$\text{Density}(\rho) = \frac{Z \cdot M}{N_A a^3}$$

Where Z = 4 for FCC & 2 BCC

$$\text{Thus; Density}(\rho_{\text{FCC}}) = \frac{4 \cdot M}{N_A V_{\text{FCC}}} \quad \& \quad \text{Density}(\rho_{\text{BCC}}) = \frac{2 \cdot M}{N_A V_{\text{BCC}}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\rho_{\text{FCC}}}{\rho_{\text{BCC}}} = \frac{2V_{\text{BCC}}}{V_{\text{FCC}}}$$

18) Ans (b):-

| Relation between unit cell dimension & atomic radius |                           |
|--|---------------------------|
| Simple cubic   | $r = \frac{a}{2}$         |
| Body-centered cubic                                  | $r = \frac{\sqrt{3}a}{4}$ |
| Face-centered cubic                                  | $r = \frac{\sqrt{2}a}{4}$ |

The atomic radius of gold (FCC structure) is =  $r = \frac{\sqrt{2}a}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{2} \cdot 4}{4} = 1.414 \text{ \AA}$

19) Ans (a):- The two ions in KCl ( $K^+$  &  $Cl^-$ ) have the same number of electrons (isoelectronic) and identical scattering power. So the net effect is that the two reflections cancel and the 111 reflection appears to be absent. This means the first reflection is the 200, which is same as  $\bar{1}00$  reflection from simple cubic structure. Therefore, the X-ray powder diffraction pattern of KCl corresponds to simple cubic structure.

20) Ans (a):- A compound  $A_xB_y$  has a cubic structure with A atoms occupying all corners of the cube as well as all the face centre positions. The B atoms occupy four tetrahedral voids. Then the values of x and y are 4 and 4 respectively. [Hint:- remind the structure of ZnS (Zinc Blende)]

21) Ans (a):- We know

$$d_{hkl} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{h^2 + k^2 + l^2}} = \frac{4.242}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 0^2}} = \frac{4.242}{\sqrt{2}} = 2.99 \text{ \AA} \approx 3 \text{ \AA}$$

22) Ans (b):- Arrangement of sulphur in zinc blende and wurtzite structures are cubic close packing and hexagonal close packing respectively.

23) Ans (b):- For a face centered cubic lattice, the Miller indices for the first Bragg's peak (smallest Bragg angle) are 111

24) Ans (d):- The lattice parameters for an orthorhombic crystal system are: -  $a \neq b \neq c$  and  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$ .

| Crystals class           | Bravais lattices | Axial distances   | Angles   | Possible types of unit cells | Examples                                    |
|--------------------------|------------------|-------------------|--|------------------------------|---|
| Cubic                    | 3 (P, I, F)      | $a = b = c$       | $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$                 | SC, BCC, FCC                 | Copper, KCl, NaCl, diamond, zinc blende,    |
| Tetragonal               | 2(P, I)          | $a = b \neq c$    | $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$                 | SC, BCC                      | $SnO_2$ , White tin, $TiO_2$                |
| Orthorhombic             | 4(P, I, F, C)    | $a \neq b \neq c$ | $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$                 | SC, BCC, FCC, end centred    | Rhombic sulphur, $KNO_3$ , $CaCO_3$         |
| Hexagonal                | 1 (P)            | $a = b \neq c$    | $\alpha = \beta = 90^\circ$ & $\gamma = 120^\circ$   | SC                           | Graphite, Mg, ZnO                           |
| Trigonal or Rhombohedral | 1 (P)            | $a = b = c$       | $\alpha = \beta = \gamma \neq 90^\circ$              | SC                           | ( $CaCO_3$ ) Calcite, HgS(Cinnabar)         |
| Monoclinic               | 2 (P, C)         | $a \neq b \neq c$ | $\alpha = \gamma = 90^\circ$ & $\beta \neq 90^\circ$ | SC, end centred              | Monoclinic sulphur, $Na_2SO_4 \cdot 10H_2O$ |
| Triclinic                | 1 (P)            | $a \neq b \neq c$ | $\alpha \neq \beta \neq \gamma \neq 90^\circ$        | SC                           | $K_2Cr_2O_7$ , $CuSO_4 \cdot 5H_2O$         |

25) Ans (a):- Metal halides with more ionic character generally have higher melting point.  
According to Fajan's rules order of ionic character & hence melting point  $\text{CuCl} < \text{NaCl} < \text{NaF}$

26) Ans (b):- The shortest atom to atom contact distance in the fcc lattice is:-  $\frac{a}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$\therefore 4.20 / \sqrt{2} = 2.97 \text{ \AA}$$

27) Ans (a):- The lattice parameters for a monoclinic crystal are  $a \neq b \neq c$ ;  $\alpha = \gamma = 90^\circ$

28) Ans (d):- Density of crystal can be calculated from the dimensions of unit cell and mass of atoms in it.

$$\text{Density}(\rho) = \frac{Z \cdot M}{N_A a^3}$$

Where Z = no. of atoms in unit cell ; in case of bcc structure number of atoms are 2

M = molar mass =  $96 \text{ gmol}^{-1}$

A = Avogadro number =  $6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ m}$

& a = edge length =  $0.314 \text{ nm} = 3.14 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$

By calculation we get  $10322.5 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$

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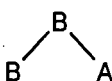
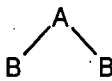
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## Topic 13

# MOLECULAR SPECTROSCOPY

### Questions with two marks

- 1) Which one of the following exhibits rotational spectra? [June 2011]  
(a) H<sub>2</sub>                      (b) N<sub>2</sub>                      (c) CO                      (d) CO<sub>2</sub>
- 2) The microwave spectrum of a molecule yields three rotational constants. The molecule is [June 2011]  
(a) Prolate symmetric top    (b) Spherical top    (c) Asymmetric top    (d) Oblate symmetric top
- 3) The Q band in the vibrational spectrum of acetylene is observed in the [June 2011]  
(a) C-C stretching mode                      (b) C-H symmetric stretching mode  
(c) Bending mode                      (d) C-H antisymmetric stretching mode.
- 4) Which of the following spectroscopic techniques will be useful to distinguish between M-SCN and M-NCS binding modes? [June 2011]  
(a) NMR                      (b) IR                      (c) EPR                      (d) Mass
- 5) If Mössbauer spectrum of Fe(CO)<sub>5</sub> is recorded in the presence of a magnetic field, the original spectrum with two lines changes into the one with [June 2012]  
(a) Three lines                      (b) Four lines                      (c) Five lines                      (d) Six lines
- 6) For a diatomic molecule AB, the energy for the rotational transition from J = 0 to J = 1 state is 3.9 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The energy for the rotational transition from J = 3 to J = 4 state would be [June 2012]  
(a) 3.9 cm<sup>-1</sup>                      (b) 7.8 cm<sup>-1</sup>                      (c) 11.7 cm<sup>-1</sup>                      (d) 15.6 cm<sup>-1</sup>
- 7) For the vibrational Raman spectrum of a homonuclear diatomic molecule, the selection rule under harmonic approximation is [June 2012]  
(a)  $\Delta v = 0$  only                      (b)  $\Delta v = \pm 1$  only                      (c)  $\Delta v = \pm 2$  only                      (d)  $\Delta v = 0, \pm 1$
- 8) In the vibrational spectrum of CO<sub>2</sub>, the number of fundamental vibrational modes common in both infrared and Raman are [Dec 2012]  
(a) Three                      (b) Two                      (c) One                      (d) Zero
- 9) The number of lines exhibited by a high resolution EPR spectrum of the species, [Cu(ethylenediamine)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>2+</sup> is [Nuclear spin (I) of Cu = 3/2 and that of N = 1] [Dec 2012]  
(a) 12                      (b) 15                      (c) 20                      (d) 36
- 10) A triatomic molecule of the type AB<sub>2</sub> shows two IR absorption lines and one IR-Raman line. The structure of the molecule is [June 2013]  
(a) B-B-A                      (b) B-A-B                      (c)                       (d) 

- 11) Consider the reaction:- [June 2013]  
 Non linear molecule + Non linear molecule  $\rightleftharpoons$  Non linear activated complexes  
 The number of vibrational degrees of freedom in the activated complex, containing N atoms, is  
 (a)  $3N-5$  (b)  $3N-6$  (c)  $3N-7$  (d)  $3N-8$
- 12) The number of EPR signals observed for octahedral Ni(II) complexes is [June 2013]  
 (a) One (b) Two (c) Three (d) Zero
- 13) The correct order of the isomeric shift in Mössbauer spectra ( $^{57}\text{Fe}$  source) of iron compounds is [Dec 2014]  
 (a)  $\text{Fe(II)} > \text{Fe(III)} > \text{Fe(IV)}$  (b)  $\text{Fe(III)} > \text{Fe(II)} > \text{Fe(IV)}$   
 (c)  $\text{Fe(IV)} > \text{Fe(III)} > \text{Fe(II)}$  (d)  $\text{Fe(IV)} > \text{Fe(II)} > \text{Fe(III)}$
- 14) If the component of the orbital angular momentum along the molecular axis of a heteronuclear diatomic molecule is nonzero, the rotational-vibrational spectrum will show [Dec 2014]  
 (a) P and R branches only (b) P and Q branches only  
 (c) Q and R branches only (d) All the P, Q and R branches
- 15) Bond lengths of homonuclear diatomic molecules can be determined with the help of both [Dec 2014]  
 (a) Rotational and vibrational spectroscopy (b) Rotational and rotational Raman spectroscopy  
 (c) Rotational Raman and electronic spectroscopy (d) Vibrational and electronic spectroscopy

#### Questions with four marks

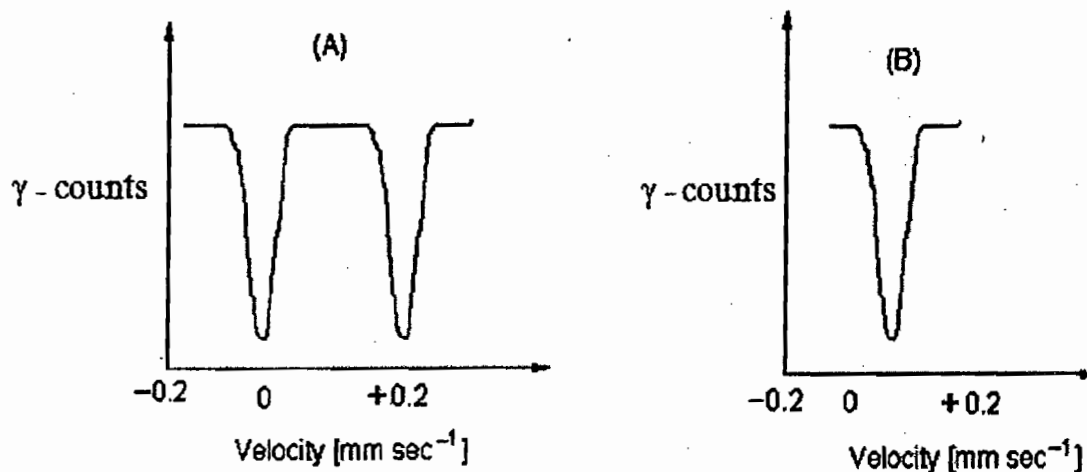
- 16) In IR spectrum of  $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_5\text{H}]^{3-}$  the Co-H stretch is observed at  $1840\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The (Co-D) stretch in  $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_5\text{D}]^{3-}$  will appear at nearly [June 2011]  
 (a)  $1300\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (b)  $1400\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (c)  $1500\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (d)  $1600\text{ cm}^{-1}$
- 17) The rotational constant of  $^{14}\text{N}_2$  is  $2\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The wave number of incident radiation in a Raman spectrometer is  $20487\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . What is the wave number of first scattered Stokes line (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) of  $^{14}\text{N}_2$ ? [June 2011]  
 (a) 20479 (b) 20475 (c) 20499 (d) 20495
- 18) Consider the compounds, (A)  $\text{SnF}_4$ , (B)  $\text{SnCl}_4$  and (C)  $\text{R}_3\text{SnCl}$ . The nuclear quadrupole splitting are observed for [June 2011]  
 (a) (A), (B) and (C) (b) (A) and (B) only (c) (B) and (C) only (d) (A) and (C) only
- 19) In the EPR spectrum of tetragonal Cu(II) complex when  $g_{\parallel} > g_{\perp} > g_e$  unpaired electron resides in the orbital [June 2011]  
 (a)  $d_{xy}$  (b)  $d_{x^2-y^2}$  (c)  $d_{z^2}$  (d)  $d_{xz}$
- 20) The vibrational energy levels,  $v'' = 0$  and  $v' = 1$  of a diatomic molecule are separated by  $2143\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Its anharmonicity constant ( $\omega_e x_e$ ) is  $14\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The values of  $\omega_e$  (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) and first overtone ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) of this molecule are respectively. [Dec 2011]  
 (a) 2143 and 4286 (b) 2157 and 4286 (c) 2157 and 4314 (d) 2171 and 4258
- 21) In  $^{57}\text{Fe}^*$  Mössbauer experiment, a source at 14.4 KeV (equivalent to  $3.48 \times 10^{12}\text{ MHz}$ ) is moved towards absorber at a velocity  $2.2\text{ mm s}^{-1}$  for resonance. The shift in the frequency of the source for this sample is [Dec 2011]  
 (a) 35.5 MHz (b) 25.5 MHz (c) 20.2 MHz (d) 15.5 MHz

22) The total numbers of fine and hyperfine EPR lines expected for octahedral high-spin Mn(II) complexes are respectively ( $I = 5/2$  for Mn)

[June 2012]

- (a) 3 and 30                      (b) 5 and 33                      (c) 5 and 30                      (d) 4 and 24

23) The Mössbauer spectra of two iron complexes are shown below. They may arise from (i) high-spin iron(III), (ii) high-spin iron(II) and (iii) low-spin iron(III)



The correct matches of spectra (A) and (B) with the iron complexes are

[June 2012]

- (a) A with (i) and B with (ii)                      (b) A with (ii) and B with (i)  
 (c) A with (iii) and B with (ii)                      (d) A with (ii) and B with (iii)

24) The following data were obtained from the vibrational fine structure in the vibronic spectrum of a diatomic molecule. Given:-  $\omega_e = 512 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $\omega_e X_e = 8 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  where  $\omega_e$  is the energy associated with the natural frequency of vibration and  $X_e$  is the anharmonicity constant. The dissociation energy ( $D_e$ ) of the molecule is

[June 2012]

- (a)  $4096 \text{ cm}^{-1}$                       (b)  $6144 \text{ cm}^{-1}$                       (c)  $8192 \text{ cm}^{-1}$                       (d)  $16384 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

25) The vibrational frequency and anharmonicity constant of an alkali halide are  $300 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $0.0025$  respectively. The positions (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) of its fundamental mode and first overtone are respectively.

[Dec 2012]

- (a) 300, 600                      (b) 298.5, 595.5                      (c) 301.5, 604.5                      (d) 290, 580

26) Among the following, those can act as Mössbauer nuclei are

[June 2013]

- (A)  $^{129}\text{I}$ ,                      (B)  $^{57}\text{Co}$                       (C)  $^{57}\text{Fe}$                       (D)  $^{121}\text{Sb}$   
 (a) A, B, C and D                      (b) B, C and D only                      (c) A, B, and D only                      (d) A, C and D only

27) In Mössbauer experiment, a source emitting at  $14.4 \text{ KeV}$  ( $3.48 \times 10^{18} \text{ Hz}$ ) had to be moved towards absorber at  $2.2 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$  for resonance. The shift in the frequency between the source and the absorber is

[Dec 2013]

- (a) 15.0 MHz                      (b) 20.0 MHz                      (c) 25.5 MHz                      (d) 30.0 MHz

28) The number of lines in the ESR spectrum of  $\text{CD}_3$  is (the spin of D is 1)

[June 2014]

- (a) 1                      (b) 3                      (c) 4                      (d) 7

29) The C=O bond length is  $120 \text{ pm}$  in  $\text{CO}_2$ . The moment of inertia of  $\text{CO}_2$  would be close to (masses of C and O are  $1.9 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$  and  $2.5 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ , respectively)

[June 2014]

- (a)  $1.8 \times 10^{-45} \text{ kg m}^2$                       (b)  $3.6 \times 10^{-45} \text{ kg m}^2$                       (c)  $5.4 \times 10^{-45} \text{ kg m}^2$                       (d)  $7.2 \times 10^{-45} \text{ kg m}^2$

- 30) EPR spectrum of free radical containing nuclei with non zero nuclear spin is obtained if the following selection rules are observed [Dec 2014]  
 (a)  $\Delta m_S = 0$   $\Delta m_I = 0$  (b)  $\Delta m_S = \pm 1$   $\Delta m_I = 0$  (c)  $\Delta m_S = \pm 1$   $\Delta m_I = \pm 1$  (d)  $\Delta m_S = 0$   $\Delta m_I = \pm 1$
- 31) if the bond length of heteronuclear diatomic molecule is greater in the upper vibrational state, the gap between the successive absorption lines of P-Branch [Dec 2014]  
 (a) Increases non linearly (b) Decreases non linearly (c) Increases linearly (d) Decreases linearly

**(Questions from GATE EXAM)****Questions with ONE OR TWO marks**

- 32) Out of the following the one which is not an excitation source for IR spectrometer is (GATE 2005)  
 (a) tungsten filament lamp (b) nerst glower (c) deuterium lamp (d) mercury arc
- 33) Resonant frequencies for EPR and NMR are respectively in the spectral region (GATE 2005)  
 (a) microwave and far-IR (b) far-IR and microwave  
 (c) radiofrequency and microwave (d) microwave and radiofrequency
- 34) Match the following items of column I with the appropriate items in column II (GATE 2005)
- | Column I                          | column II              |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Spectral technique                | Selection Rule         |
| P) rotational transition          | I $\Delta v = \pm 1$   |
| Q) vibrational transition         | II $\Delta J = 0$      |
| R) electronic transition-in atoms | III $\Delta J = \pm 1$ |
| S) nmr spectroscopy               | IV $\Delta l = \pm 1$  |
|                                   | V $\Delta m_L = \pm 1$ |
|                                   | VI $\Delta v = 0$      |
|                                   | VII $\Delta l = 0$     |
- (a) P-I, Q-VI, R-VII, S-V (b) P-II, Q-I, R-IV, S-V (c) P-III, Q-I, R-IV, S-V (d) P-I, Q-VI, R-VII, S-V
- 35) The zero-point energy of the vibration of  $^{35}\text{Cl}_2$  mimicking a harmonic oscillator with a force constant  $k=2293.8 \text{ Nm}^{-1}$  is (GATE 2006)  
 (a)  $10.5 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$  (b)  $14.8 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$  (c)  $20.9 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$  (d)  $29.6 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$
- 36) The molecule active in rotational microwave, infrared absorption as well as rotational Raman spectra is (GATE 2006)  
 (a)  $\text{CO}_2$  (b)  $\text{SF}_6$  (c)  $\text{HCl}$  (d)  $\text{H}_2$
- 37) A radical contains  $^{14}\text{N}$  ( $I=1$ ) with hyperfine constant 1.61 mT and two equivalent protons ( $I=1/2$ ) with hyperfine constant 0.35 mT. The ESR spectrum will exhibit (GATE 2006)  
 (a) 3 lines (b) 6 lines (c) 7 lines (d) 9 lines
- 38) The selection rules for the appearance of P branch in the rotational-vibrational absorption spectra of a diatomic molecule within rigid rotor- harmonic oscillator model are (GATE 2007)  
 (a)  $\Delta v = \pm 1$  and  $\Delta J = \pm 1$  (b)  $\Delta v = +1$  and  $\Delta J = +1$  (c)  $\Delta v = +1$  and  $\Delta J = -1$  (d)  $\Delta v = -1$  and  $\Delta J = -1$



- 39) The  $J = 0$  to  $J = 1$  rotational transition for  $^1\text{H}^{79}\text{Br}$  occurs at 500.72 GHz. Assuming the molecule to be a rigid rotor, the  $J = 3$  to  $J = 4$  transition occurs at (GATE 2007)  
 (a)  $50.1\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (b)  $66.8\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (c)  $16.7\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (d)  $83.5\text{ cm}^{-1}$
- 40) If  $\text{ClF}_3$ , were to be stereochemically rigid, its  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum (I for  $^{19}\text{F} = 1/2$ ,) would be (assume that Cl is not NMR active) (GATE 2008)  
 (a) a doublet and a triplet (b) a singlet (c) a doublet and a singlet (d) two singlets

**Statement for Linked Answer Questions 41 and 42:**

An iron complex  $[\text{FeL}_6]^{+2}$  (L = neutral monodentate ligand) catalyses the oxidation of  $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{S}$  by per benzoic acid. (GATE 2008)

- 41) The formation of the organic product in the above reaction can be monitored by  
 (a) gas chromatography (b) cyclic voltammetry  
 (c) electron spin resonance (d) fluorescence spectroscopy
- 42) The oxidation state of the metal ion in the catalyst can be detected by  
 (a) atomic absorption spectroscopy (b) Mössbauer spectroscopy  
 (c) HPLC (d) gas chromatography

**Common Data Questions**

**Common Data for Questions 43 and 44:**

The infrared spectrum of a diatomic molecule exhibits transitions at 2144, 4262 and, 6354  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  corresponding to excitations from the ground state to the first, second and, third vibration States respectively. (GATE 2008)

- 43) The fundamental transition ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) of the diatomic molecule is at (GATE 2008)  
 (a) 2157 (b) 2170 (c) 2183 (d) 2196
- 44) The anharmonicity constant ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) of the diatomic molecule is (GATE 2008)  
 (a) 0.018 (b) 0.012 (c) 0.006 (d) 0.003
- 45) Two samples have been given to you:  $[\text{NiCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$  and  $[[\text{PdCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$ . A physical method that can be used to identify these compounds unambiguously is (GATE 2009)  
 (a) HPLC (b) magnetic susceptibility  
 (c)  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectroscopy (d) Mössbauer spectroscopy
- 46) The rotational Raman spectrum of  $^{19}\text{F}_2$  shows a series of Stokes lines at 19230.769  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , 19227.238  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and 19223.707  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The rotational constant for  $^{19}\text{F}$ , in GHz is (GATE 2009)  
 (a) 26.484 (b) 52.968 (c) 105.936 (d) 3.531
- 47) The most populated rotational state for HCl ( $B = 8.5\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) at 300 K is (GATE 2010)  
 (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 5 (d) 7

**Common Data Questions**

**Common Data for Questions 48 and 49:**

A six coordinate transition metal complex is ESR and Mössbauer active. The effective magnetic moment of this complex is  $\approx 5.9$  B.M. (GATE 2010)

- 48) The metal ion along with its oxidation state and the number of unpaired electron present are  
 (a) Fe(II) and 4 (b) Mn(II) and 5 (c) Fe(III) and 1 (d) Fe(III) and 5
- 49) The complex is  
 (a)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  (b)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  (c)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  (d)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$
- 50) The region of electromagnetic spectrum employed in the electron spin resonance (ESR) spectroscopy is (GATE 2011)  
 (a) radiowave (b) microwave (c) infrared (d) visible
- 51) The bond that gives the most intense band in the infrared spectrum for its stretching vibration is [GATE 2012]  
 (a) C-H (b) N-H (c) O-H (d) S-H
- 52) The extent of Mössbauer quadrupole splitting of iron follows the order [GATE 2012]  
 (a)  $\text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{K}_2[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_5(\text{NO})] > \text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (b)  $\text{K}_2[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_5(\text{NO})] > \text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 (c)  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{K}_2[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_5(\text{NO})] > \text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (d)  $\text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{K}_2[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_5(\text{NO})]$
- Statement for Linked Answer Questions 53 and 54** [GATE 2012]  
 A  $20491 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  laser line was used to excite oxygen molecules (made of  $^{16}\text{O}$  only) to obtain the rotational Raman spectrum. The resulting rotational Raman spectrum of oxygen molecule has the first Stokes line at  $20479 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ .
- 53) The rotational constant (usually denoted as B) for the oxygen molecule is  
 (a)  $1.2 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (b)  $2.0 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (c)  $3.0 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (d)  $6.0 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- 54) The next rotational Stokes line is expected at  
 (a)  $20467 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (b)  $20469 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (c)  $20471 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (d)  $20475 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- 55) The infrared spectrum of HCl gas shows an absorption band centered at  $2885 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The zero point energy of HCl molecule under harmonic oscillator approximation is [GATE 2013]  
 (a)  $2.8665 \times 10^{-22} \text{ J}$  (b)  $2.8665 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J}$  (c)  $5.7330 \times 10^{-22} \text{ J}$  (d)  $5.7330 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J}$
- 56) The number of IR active vibrational normal modes of  $\text{CO}_2$  is [GATE 2014]  
 (a) Two (b) Three (c) Four (d) Five
- 57) In atomic absorption spectroscopy, the atomization process utilizes [GATE 2014]  
 (a) flame (b) electric field (c) magnetic field (d) electron beam

← Answer Key →

|    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |
|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|
| 1  | c | 2  | c | 3  | a | 4  | b | 5  | d | 6  | d | 7  | b | 8  | d | 9  | d | 10 | b |
| 11 | c | 12 | a | 13 | a | 14 | d | 15 | c | 16 | a | 17 | a | 18 | d | 19 | b | 20 | d |
| 21 | b | 22 | c | 23 | b | 24 | c | 25 | b | 26 | d | 27 | c | 28 | d | 29 | d | 30 | b |
| 31 | a | 32 | c | 33 | d | 34 | c | 35 | b | 36 | c | 37 | d | 38 | c | 39 | b | 40 | a |
| 41 | c | 42 | b | 43 | b | 44 | c | 45 | b | 46 | a | 47 | b | 48 | d | 49 | d | 50 | b |
| 51 | c | 52 | a | 53 | b | 54 | c | 55 | b | 56 | b | 57 | a |    |   |    |   |    |   |

**Hint & solution**

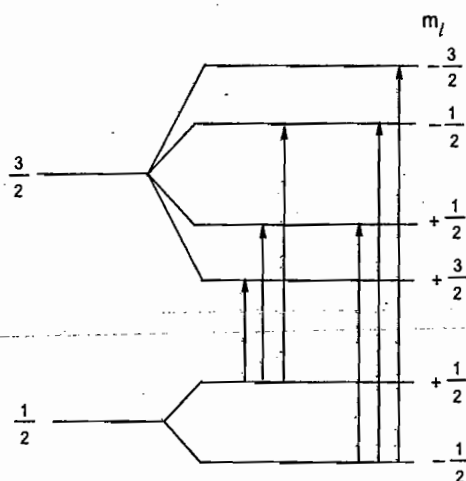
- 1) **Ans (c):-** A pure rotation spectrum can only arise when the molecule possesses a permanent dipole moment. Therefore among all only CO will exhibits rotational spectra
- 2) **Ans (c):-** A Rotational constant is inversely proportional to moments of inertia. Among Prolate symmetric top; Spherical top; Asymmetric top; Oblate symmetric top only Asymmetric top has all three principal moments of inertia are unequal so yields three rotational constant (B).

$$B = \frac{h}{8\pi^2 I_C}$$

| Type of molecule       | Moments of inertia      | Rotational constant |
|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Linear molecules       | $I_A < I_B = I_C$       | two                 |
| spherical top          | $I_A = I_B = I_C$       | one                 |
| Oblate symmetric tops  | $I_A = I_B < I_C$       | two                 |
| Prolate symmetric tops | $I_A < I_B = I_C$       | two                 |
| Asymmetric tops        | $I_A \neq I_B \neq I_C$ | three               |

- 3) **Ans (a):-** The Q band in the vibrational spectrum of acetylene is observed in the C–C stretching mode
- 4) **Ans (b):-** IR will be useful to distinguish between M-SCN and M-NCS binding modes.  
(Frequency will be different for M–N bond in M-NCS & M–S bond in M-SCN)
- 5) **Ans (d):-** Magnetic splitting (hyperfine splitting) is a result of the interaction between the nucleus and any surrounding magnetic field. Transitions between the excited state and ground state can only occur where  $m_l$  changes by 0 or 1. This gives six possible transitions for a  $3/2$  to  $1/2$  transition, giving a sextet

i.e.  $+\frac{3}{2}$  to  $-\frac{3}{2}$  &  $+\frac{1}{2}$  to  $-\frac{1}{2}$



- 6) **Ans (d):-**  $\Delta\epsilon_{J=1} - \Delta\epsilon_{J=0} = 2B = 3.9 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  i.e.  $B = 1.95 \text{ cm}^{-1}$   
Now,  $\Delta\epsilon_{J=4} - \Delta\epsilon_{J=3} = 8B = 8 \times 1.95 = 15.6 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

- 7) **Ans (b):-**  $\Delta v = \pm 1$  only

- 8) **Ans (d):-** In the vibrational spectrum of  $\text{CO}_2$ , the number of fundamental vibrational modes common in both infrared and Raman are Zero. (According to Rule of mutual exclusion)

9) Ans (d):- The number of lines exhibited by a high resolution EPR spectrum is given by formula;

$[(2n_a I_a + 1)(2n_b I_b + 1)]$ , where  $n$  is equivalent nuclei &  $I$  is a Nuclear spin.

For  $[\text{Cu}(\text{ethylenediamine})_2]^{2+}$ ;  $I_N = 1$  &  $I_{\text{Cu}} = 3/2$

$$[(2n_N I_N + 1)(2n_{\text{Cu}} I_{\text{Cu}} + 1)] = [(2 \times 4 \times 1 + 1)(2 \times 1 \times \frac{3}{2} + 1)] = 36$$

10) Ans (b):- The structure of the molecule is like  $\text{CO}_2$  or  $\text{CS}_2$  (B-A-B) (According to Rule of mutual exclusion)

11) Ans (c):- For non-linear system, you will have  $(3N-6)$  vibration degrees of freedom. (3 translation, 3 rotation). In case of nonlinear activated complex if we apply transition-state theory, one of the vibrational degrees of freedom will be taken off and that should be added to the translation. So therefore, for non-linear activated complex, you will have  $(3N-7)$  vibrational degrees of freedom. (4 translation, 3 rotation)

12) Ans (a):- The number of EPR signals observed for octahedral Ni(II) complexes is one because octahedral Ni(II) contain even number of unpaired electrons and even electron system seldom give ESR spectra.

13) Ans (a):- The correct order of the isomeric shift in Mössbauer spectra ( $^{57}\text{Fe}$  source) of iron compounds is  $\text{Fe(II)} > \text{Fe(III)} > \text{Fe(IV)}$ ; This can be explained on the basis of s-electron density.

The s-electron density at the nucleus is reduced in  $\text{Fe(II)} 3d^6$ , compared with  $\text{Fe(0)} 4s^2 3d^6$ , producing a large positive isomer shift. When a 3d electron is removed to produce  $\text{Fe(III)}$  from  $\text{Fe(II)}$ , there is a small increase in s-electron density at the nucleus (as the 3d electrons partly screen the nucleus from the inner s electrons) and the isomer shift becomes less positive; similarly there is a large increase in s-electron density at the nucleus as we move from  $\text{Fe(III)}$  to  $\text{Fe(IV)}$  & therefore isomer shift of  $\text{Fe(IV)}$  becomes even less positive than  $\text{Fe(III)}$ .

14) Ans (d):- All the P, Q and R branches.

15) Ans (c):- Bond lengths of homonuclear diatomic molecules can be determined with the help of both Rotational Raman and electronic spectroscopy

16) Ans (a):- The frequency of the vibration is inversely related to the mass of the atoms attached, so heavier atoms vibrate at lower frequencies. ( $m_{\text{Co}} = 59 m_{\text{H}} = 1$  &  $m_{\text{D}} = 2$ )

$$\bar{\nu} = \frac{1}{2\pi c} \sqrt{\frac{k}{\mu}}$$

$$\bar{\nu} \propto \sqrt{\frac{1}{\mu}}$$

$$\frac{\bar{\nu}_{\text{Co-D}}}{\bar{\nu}_{\text{Co-H}}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_{\text{Co-H}}}{\mu_{\text{Co-D}}}}$$

$$\bar{\nu}_{\text{Co-D}} = \sqrt{\frac{m_{\text{Co}} m_{\text{H}}}{m_{\text{Co}} + m_{\text{H}}} \times \frac{m_{\text{Co}} + m_{\text{D}}}{m_{\text{Co}} m_{\text{D}}}} \times \bar{\nu}_{\text{Co-H}}$$

By solving; The (Co-D) stretch in  $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_5\text{D}]^{3-}$  will appear at nearly  $1300 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

17) Ans (a):- The gap between incident radiation & first scattered stokes line in a Raman spectrometer =  $4B$

$$\therefore 20487 \text{ cm}^{-1} - x = 4B \quad (B = 2 \text{ cm}^{-1})$$

$$\therefore x = 20479 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$\therefore \text{Wave number of first scattered Stokes line} = 20479 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

18) Ans (d):- The nuclear quadrupole splitting are observed for  $\text{SnF}_4$ , and  $\text{R}_3\text{SnCl}$  but not for  $\text{SnCl}_4$  because in case of  $\text{SnCl}_4$  spherical electrical field is expected at the nucleus so no quadrupole splitting, while the  $\text{SnF}_4$

form polymeric structure that is non spherical electrical field & gives doublet. Similarly in  $R_3SnCl$  ligand field is non-equivalent so it also gives doublet.

19) Ans (b):- Hint:- Jahn Teller distortion; so either  $d_{x^2-y^2}$  or  $d_z^2$  is possible. When  $g_{||} > g_{\perp}$  the unpaired electron resides in the  $d_{x^2-y^2}$  orbital & when  $g_{||} < g_{\perp}$  the unpaired electron is in the  $d_z^2$  orbital

20) Ans (d):-  $\Delta\epsilon_{0 \rightarrow 1} = \omega_e - 2\omega_e x_e = 2143 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (But  $\omega_e x_e = 14 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ )

$$\therefore \omega_e = 2143 \text{ cm}^{-1} + 2(14) = 2171 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

Now first overtone =  $\Delta\epsilon_{0 \rightarrow 2} = 2\omega_e - 6\omega_e x_e = (2 \times 2171) - 6(14) = 4258 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

The values of  $\omega_e$  is  $2171 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  and first overtone  $4258 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

21) Ans (b):- The shift in the frequency =  $\frac{\text{velocity of source} \times \text{frequency}}{\text{speed of light}}$

$$= \frac{2.2 \text{ mms}^{-1} \times 3.48 \times 10^{12} \text{ MHz}}{3 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}}$$

$$= 25.5 \text{ MHz}$$

22) Ans (c):- In general, the EPR spectrum of Mn(II) i.e high spin  $d^5$  system, the fine EPR lines are expected due to the interaction of the free electron spins within themselves, that is equal to number of unpaired electrons. While hyperfine arises from the interaction of the free electron with the nuclear spin of Mn(II) nucleus. When an external magnetic field is applied, these spin states split further resulting in five EPR transitions with selection rule  $M_s = \pm 1$  & in addition each of these five lines split further into a sextet, due to the nuclear spin of Mn ( $I = 5/2$ ). Hence a 30-lines

In short:-

The total numbers of fine EPR lines = Number of unpaired electrons i.e five in this case

The total numbers of hyperfine EPR lines = Number of unpaired electrons  $\times (2n_b I + 1)$ ,

(where n is equivalent nuclei & I is a Nuclear spin.)

$\therefore$  The total numbers of hyperfine EPR lines =  $5 \times [2(1)(5/2)+1] = 30$ .

23) Ans (b):- A Mössbauer spectrum of iron complex shows either singlet or doublet.

Octahedral iron complexes with symmetrical electrical filling in  $t_{2g}$  &  $e_g$  orbitals that is high spin  $d^5$  & low spin  $d^6$  system & with identical six ligands (spherical electrical field) shows singlet in Mössbauer spectra.

While all other iron complexes shows doublet in the Mössbauer spectra.

| Complex              | Filling of electron | electronic field | Mössbauer spectra |
|----------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| high-spin iron(III), | $t_{2g}^3 e_g^2$    | Symmetrical      | singlet           |
| high-spin iron(II)   | $t_{2g}^4 e_g^2$    | unsymmetrical    | doublet           |
| low-spin iron(III)   | $t_{2g}^5 e_g^0$    | unsymmetrical    | doublet           |

Thus high-spin iron(II) & low-spin iron(III) will give spectra (A) and high-spin iron(III) will give spectra (B)

24) Ans (c):- Given:-  $\omega_e = 512 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $\omega_e x_e = 8 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

$$\therefore x_e = \frac{8}{512} = 0.0156$$

$$\text{Dissociation energy} = \frac{\omega_e}{4x_e} = \frac{512}{4 \times 0.0156} = 8192 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

25) Ans (b):- Given:-  $\omega_e = 300 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  &  $x_e = 0.0025$

$$\text{Fundamental mode} = \Delta\epsilon_{0 \rightarrow 1} = \omega_e - 2\omega_e x_e = 300 - 2(300 \times 0.0025)$$

$$\Delta\epsilon_{0 \rightarrow 1} = 300 - 1.5 = 298.5$$

$$\text{Now first overtone} = \Delta\epsilon_{0 \rightarrow 2} = 2\omega_e - 6\omega_e x_e = 2 \times 300 - 6(300 \times 0.0025) = 595.5.$$

26) Ans (d):- The Mössbauer active nuclei are  $^{129}\text{I}$ ,  $^{57}\text{Fe}$  &  $^{121}\text{Sb}$ .

The Mössbauer active nuclei are:-

|                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| $^{57}\text{Fe}$  | $^{109}\text{Ag}$ | $^{127}\text{I}$  | $^{161}\text{Dy}$ | $^{181}\text{Ta}$ |
| $^{61}\text{Ni}$  | $^{119}\text{Sn}$ | $^{129}\text{I}$  | $^{166}\text{Er}$ | $^{183}\text{W}$  |
| $^{67}\text{Zn}$  | $^{121}\text{Sb}$ | $^{151}\text{Eu}$ | $^{169}\text{Tm}$ | $^{193}\text{Ir}$ |
| $^{99}\text{Ru}$  | $^{125}\text{Te}$ | $^{155}\text{Gd}$ | $^{170}\text{Yb}$ | $^{197}\text{Au}$ |
| $^{237}\text{Np}$ | $^{243}\text{Am}$ |                   |                   |                   |

27) Ans (c):- Refer the solution of question no.21

28) Ans (d):- The number of lines exhibited by a high resolution EPR spectrum is given by formula;

$$[(2n_a I_a + 1)] \text{ where } n \text{ is equivalent nuclei \& } I \text{ is a Nuclear spin. (for D, } I = 1)$$

$$\therefore 2(3)(1) + 1 = 7$$

29) Ans (d):- For a triatomic linear rotor like OCS;  $I = m_A R^2 + m_C R'^2 - \frac{(m_A R - m_C R')^2}{m}$

but for a centrosymmetric triatomic linear rotor like  $\text{CO}_2$  :-  $m_A = m_C$  &  $R = R'$

$$\therefore \text{Above equation becomes: } -I = 2m_A R^2 = 2 \times 2.5 \times 10^{-27} \times (120 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m})^2 = 7.2 \times 10^{-45} \text{ Kg m}^2$$

30) Ans (b):- Selection rule is  $\Delta m_S = \pm 1$ ;  $\Delta m_I = 0$  in a EPR spectrum of free radical containing nuclei with non zero nuclear spin. ( $\Delta m_I = 0$  in a EPR spectrum because nuclear motion is much slower than electronic motion so that during the time electron changes its spin orientation, the nucleus being heavier has no time to reorient its spin so that  $\Delta m_I = 0$  &  $\Delta m_S = \pm 1$ )

31) Ans (a):- If the bond length of heteronuclear diatomic molecule is greater in the upper vibrational state, the gap between the successive absorption lines of P-Branch increases non-linearly & that of R-Branch decreases non-linearly

32) Ans (c):- Deuterium lamp is not an excitation source for IR spectrometer & is a general light source for UV range spectroscopic applications.

33) Ans (d):- The ESR spectroscopy falls in the microwave region & NMR fall in radiofrequency region

34) Ans (c):-

| Spectral technique             | Selection Rule       |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| rotational transition          | $\Delta J = \pm 1$   |
| vibrational transition         | $\Delta v = \pm 1$   |
| electronic transition-in atoms | $\Delta l = \pm 1$   |
| nmr spectroscopy               | $\Delta m_L = \pm 1$ |

35) Ans (b):- The zero-point energy of the  $^{35}\text{Cl}_2$  under harmonic oscillator =  $\frac{1}{2} h\nu$

Given =  $k = 2293.8 \text{ Nm}^{-1}$

First we have to calculate  $\nu$ ; We know that

$$\nu = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{\mu}}$$

$$\text{But } \mu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} = \frac{35.5 \text{ amu} \times 35.5 \text{ amu}}{35.5 \text{ amu} + 35.5 \text{ amu}} \times 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

$$\mu = 29.47 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

The zero-point energy of the  $^{35}\text{Cl}_2$  under harmonic oscillator =  $\frac{1}{2} h\nu = \frac{h}{4\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{\mu}}$

$$= \frac{6.636 \times 10^{-34}}{4 \times 3.14} \sqrt{\frac{2293.8}{29.47 \times 10^{-27}}} = 14.8 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$$

36) Ans (c):- The molecule active in rotational microwave, infrared absorption as well as rotational Raman spectra is HCl (that is the molecule with a permanent dipole moment.)

37) Ans (d):- The number of lines exhibited by a high resolution EPR spectrum is given by formula;

$[(2n_a I_a + 1)(2n_b I_b + 1)]$ , where  $n$  is equivalent nuclei &  $I$  is a Nuclear spin.

For  $\text{NH}_2$  radical  $I_N = 1$  &  $I_H = 1/2$

$$[(2n_N I_N + 1)(2n_H I_H + 1)] = [(2 \times 1 \times 1 + 1)(2 \times 2 \times \frac{1}{2} + 1)] = 3 \times 3 = 9 \text{ lines}$$

38) Ans (c):- The selection rules for the appearance of P branch in the rotational-vibrational absorption spectra of a diatomic molecule within rigid rotor-harmonic oscillator model are  $\Delta v = +1$  and  $\Delta J = -1$

39) Ans (b):- We know that for rotational transition  $J = 0$  to  $J = 1$ ;  $\Delta \epsilon_{0 \rightarrow 1} = 2B = 500.72 \text{ GHz}$ .

$$\therefore B = 250.36 \text{ GHz}$$

Now rotational transition  $J = 3$  to  $J = 4$ ;  $\Delta \epsilon_{3 \rightarrow 4} = 8B = 8 \times 250.36 = 2002.88 \text{ GHz}$ .

But  $1 \text{ cm}^{-1} = 30 \text{ GHz}$

$$\therefore \text{the } J = 3 \text{ to } J = 4 \text{ transition} = \frac{2002.88}{30} = 66.76 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

40) Ans (a):- The  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{ClF}_3$  (T-shaped) shows a doublet and a triplet. Two axial F nuclei are split into a doublet by the single equatorial  $^{19}\text{F}$  nucleus, and single equatorial is split into a triplet by the two axial  $^{19}\text{F}$  nuclei

41) Ans (c):- The formation of the organic product can be monitored by electron spin resonance that is presence of unpaired electrons in an iron complex

42) Ans (b):- The oxidation state of the metal ion in the catalyst can be detected by Mössbauer spectroscopy that is electrical field of iron in an iron complex

43) Ans (b):- Given:-  $\nu_1 = 2144 \text{ cm}^{-1}$   $\nu_2 = 4262 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  &  $\nu_3 = 6354 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

$$\nu_1 = \Delta \epsilon_{0 \rightarrow 1} = \omega_e (1 - 2X_e) = 2144 \text{ cm}^{-1} \quad \& \quad \nu_2 = \Delta \epsilon_{1 \rightarrow 2} = 2\omega_e (1 - 3X_e) = 4262 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$\frac{\nu_1}{\nu_2} = \frac{\omega_e (1 - 2X_e)}{2\omega_e (1 - 3X_e)} = \frac{(1 - 2X_e)}{2(1 - 3X_e)} = \frac{2144}{4262} = 0.5030$$

$$\frac{(1 - 2X_e)}{2(1 - 3X_e)} = 0.5030$$

By solving  $X_e = 0.0058$ ;

$$\text{Now } \nu_1 = \Delta\epsilon_{0 \rightarrow 1} = \omega_e (1 - 2X_e) = 2144 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

Put  $X_e = 0.0058$  in above equation;

$$\omega_e [1 - 2(0.0058)] = 2144 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$\omega_e = \frac{2144}{0.9884} = 2169.16 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

44) Ans (c):- The anharmonicity constant ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) of the diatomic molecule is  $0.0058 \sim 0.006$

45) Ans (b):- According to crystal field theory  $[\text{NiCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$  is a tetrahedral complex (paramagnetic) and  $[\text{PdCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$  is a square planar complex (diamagnetic) therefore magnetic susceptibility can be used to identify these compounds

46) Ans (a):- the gap between first Stokes line & next rotational Stokes line =  $4B$

$$\therefore 19230.769 \text{ cm}^{-1} - 19227.238 \text{ cm}^{-1} = 4B$$

$$\therefore 3.531 = 4B$$

$$\therefore B = 0.88275 \text{ cm}^{-1} \quad (\text{But } 1 \text{ cm}^{-1} = 30 \text{ GHz})$$

$$\therefore B = 0.88275 \text{ cm}^{-1} \times 30 = 26.4825 \text{ GHz}$$

47) Ans (b):- The most populated rotational state for HCl can be calculated by

$$J_{\max} = \sqrt{\frac{kT}{2hcB} - \frac{1}{2}}$$

Where;

$$\text{Boltzmann constant } k = 1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ s}$$

$$\text{Planck constant } h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$$

$$\text{Speed of light } c = 3 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Temperature } T = 300 \text{ K}$$

$$\text{Rotational constant } B = 8.5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

By solving we get; the most populated rotational state for HCl = 3

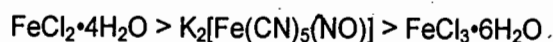
48) Ans (d):- The effective magnetic moment of this complex is  $\approx 5.9$  B.M. it means transition metal complex is with five unpaired electron; that is  $d^5$  system with high spin complex i.e. Mn(II) and 5 or Fe(III) and 5 in  $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  &  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$  respectively. But as Mn is Mössbauer inactive; the complex is  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$

49) Ans (d):- the complex is  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$

50) Ans (b):- The ESR spectroscopy falls in the microwave region.

51) Ans (c):- Intensities of IR absorption is directly proportional to relative bond polarities & hence more intense band in the IR absorption is of O-H

52) Ans (a):- The order of extent of Mössbauer quadrupole splitting of iron is:-





| Complex               | FeCl <sub>2</sub> ·4H <sub>2</sub> O                                | K <sub>2</sub> [Fe(CN) <sub>5</sub> (NO)]                          | FeCl <sub>3</sub> ·6H <sub>2</sub> O                                |
|-----------------------|---|--|---|
| Oxidation state of Fe | Fe <sup>II</sup>  | Fe <sup>II</sup>   | Fe <sup>III</sup>   |
| Configuration         | High spin; t <sub>2g</sub> <sup>4</sup> e <sub>g</sub> <sup>2</sup> | Low spin; t <sub>2g</sub> <sup>6</sup> e <sub>g</sub> <sup>0</sup> | High spin; t <sub>2g</sub> <sup>3</sup> e <sub>g</sub> <sup>2</sup> |
| Electrical field      | Unsymmetrical   | Symmetrical  | Symmetrical   |
| Ligand field          | equivalent  | non-equivalent   | equivalent  |
| Quadrupole splitting  | 3.00mms <sup>-1</sup>   | 1.85 mms <sup>-1</sup>   | 0.2 mms <sup>-1</sup>   |

Hint:- In FeCl<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O high value of quadrupole splitting is due to unsymmetrical electrical field while high value of quadrupole splitting in K<sub>2</sub>[Fe(CN)<sub>5</sub>(NO)] due to non-equivalent ligand field & π-backbonding with NO ligand

53) Ans (b):- A gap between V<sub>0</sub> and 1<sup>st</sup> lines of each branch is of 6B

$$\therefore 20491 \text{ cm}^{-1} - 20479 \text{ cm}^{-1} = 6B$$

$$\therefore B = 2.0 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

54) Ans (c):- the gap between first Stokes line & next rotational Stokes line = 4B

$$\therefore \text{next rotational Stokes line} = 1^{\text{st}} \text{ lines} - 4B \dots \text{(But } B=2)$$

$$\therefore \text{next rotational Stokes line} = 20479 \text{ cm}^{-1} - 4(2) = 20471 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

55) Ans (b):- zero point energy of HCl molecule under harmonic oscillator =  $\frac{1}{2} h\nu$

$$\text{Given} = \bar{\nu} = 2885 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$\text{We know that } \nu = c\bar{\nu}$$

$$\therefore \text{zero point energy of HCl molecule under harmonic oscillator} = \frac{1}{2} hc\bar{\nu}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s} \times 3 \times 10^{10} \text{ cms}^{-1} \times 2885 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$= 28674.015 \times 10^{-24} \text{ J}$$

$$= 2.8674 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J}$$

56) Ans (b):- For a linear (except diatomic) system, you will have 3 translation, 2 rotation & (3N-5) vibration degrees of freedom.  $\therefore$  Vibration degrees of freedom of CO<sub>2</sub> is (3N-5) = [(3×3)-5] = 4

But out of four, one is symmetric stretching mode which is IR inactive vibrational modes while two are bending modes & one is asymmetric stretching mode which is IR active vibrational modes

Thus the number of IR active vibrational normal modes of CO<sub>2</sub> is 3

57) Ans (a):- In atomic absorption spectroscopy, the atomization process utilizes flame.

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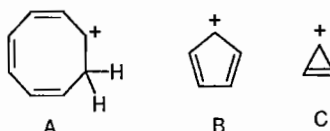
## Topic 14

# AROMATICITY

### Questions with two marks

1) Among the carbocations given below

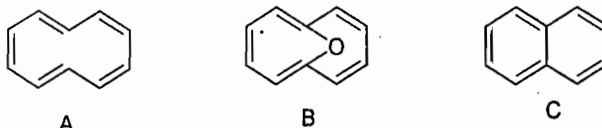
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- (a) A is homoaromatic, B is antiaromatic and C is aromatic.  
 (b) A is aromatic, B is antiaromatic and C is homoaromatic.  
 (c) A is antiaromatic, B is aromatic and C is homoaromatic.  
 (d) A is homoaromatic, B is aromatic and C is antiaromatic.

2) Among A-C, the aromatic compounds are

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- (a) A, B and C      (b) A and B only      (c) B and C only      (d) A and C only

3) With respect to electrophilic aromatic substitution, reactivity order of pyrrole, pyridine and indole is

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- (a) indole > pyrrole > pyridine      (b) pyrrole > pyridine > indole  
 (c) pyrrole > indole > pyridine      (d) indole > pyridine > pyrrole

4) Consider the following statements for [18]-annulene

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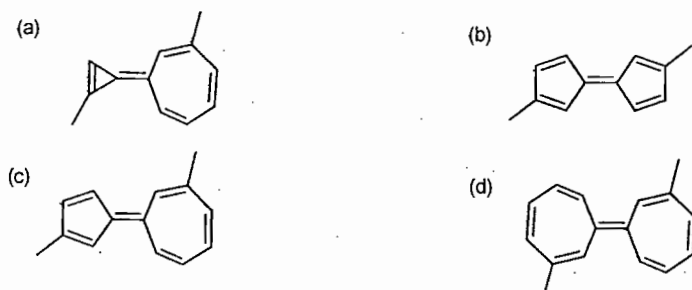
- (A) It is aromatic  
 (B) The inner protons resonate at  $\delta$  9.28 in its  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum  
 (C) There are six protons in the shielded zone.

The correct statements are

- (a) A, B, C      (b) A and B only      (c) B and C only      (d) A and C only

5) Among the following, the compound which has the lowest energy barrier for the cis-trans isomerisation is

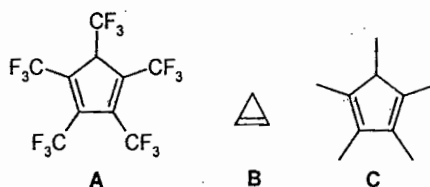
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**Questions with four marks**

6) The correct order of acidity of the following compound A–C is

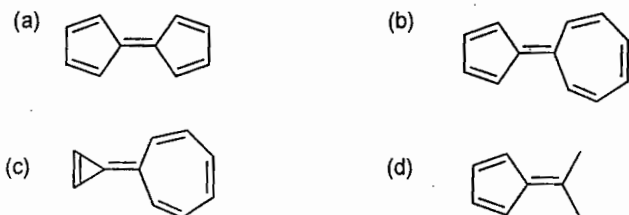
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- (a) B > C > A      (b) C > B > A      (c) A > C > B      (d) A > B > C

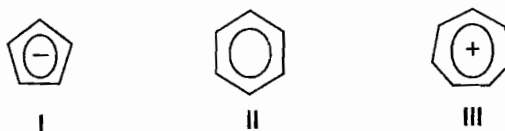
7) Among the following compounds, the one which has highest dipole moment is

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8) The correct match of the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR chemical shifts  $\delta$  of the following species/compound is

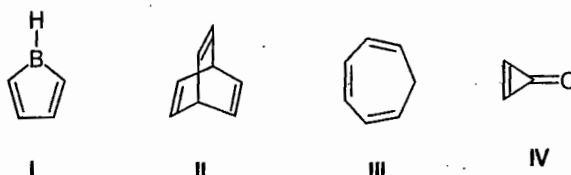
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- (a) I : 5.4; II : 7.2; III : 9.2      (b) I : 9.2; II : 7.2; III : 5.4  
 (c) I : 9.2; II : 5.4; III : 7.2      (d) I : 7.2; II : 9.2; III : 5.4

9) The compound that is antiaromatic is

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- (a) I      (b) II      (c) III      (d) IV

**(Questions from GATE EXAM)**

**Questions with ONE OR TWO marks**

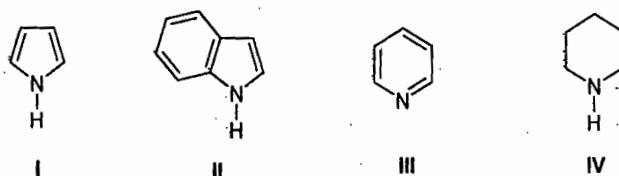
10)  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of [18]-annulene shows

(GATE 2005)

- (a) only one peak at  $\delta$  7.2 (18H)      (b) only one peak at  $\delta$  5.0 (18H)  
 (c) two peaks at  $\delta$  9.0 (12H) and  $\delta$  -3.0 (6H)      (d) two peaks at  $\delta$  9.0 (6H) and  $\delta$  -3.0 (12H)

11) The correct order of the basicity of the following compounds is

(GATE 2006)



- (a) IV > III > II > I      (b) III > IV > II > I      (c) IV > III > I > II      (d) III > IV > I > II

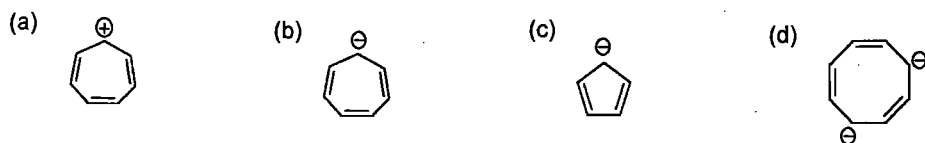
12) The correct statement about  $C_{60}$  is

(GATE 2008)

- (a)  $C_{60}$  is soluble in benzene
- (b)  $C_{60}$  does not react with *tert*-butyllithium
- (c)  $C_{60}$  is made up of 10 five-membered and 15 six-membered rings
- (d) Two adjacent five-membered rings share a common edge

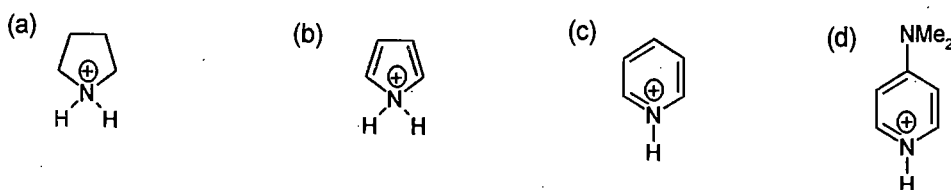
13) The compound that is NOT aromatic is

(GATE 2008)



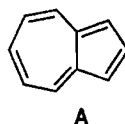
14) The most acidic species is

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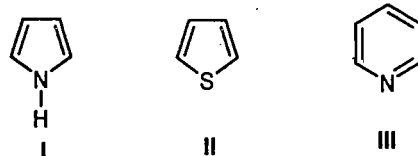
15) The compound is A is

[GATE 2009]



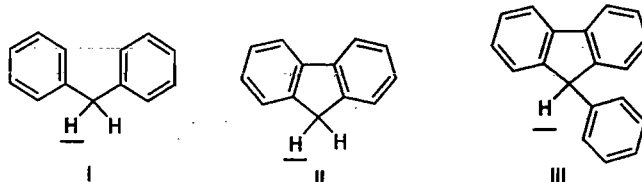
- (a) aromatic and has high dipole moment
- (b) aromatic and has no dipole moment
- (c) non-aromatic and has high dipole moment
- (d) anti-aromatic and has no dipole moment

16) The decreasing order of the reactivity of the following compounds towards electrophiles is [GATE 2010]



- (a) II > I > III
- (b) II > III > I
- (c) III > I > II
- (d) I > II > III

17) The decreasing order of the acidity of the marked H of the following molecules is [GATE 2010]



- (a) I > II > III
- (b) III > I > II
- (c) III > II > I
- (d) II > I > III

Answer Key

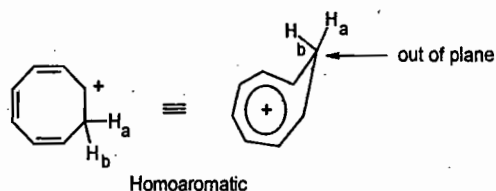
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**Hint & solution**

1) **Ans (a):-** A is homoaromatic, B is antiaromatic and C is aromatic.

A) Homoaromatic compounds are stabilized cyclic conjugated system containing one or more  $sp^3$  carbon atoms.



B) Antiaromatic compounds are cyclic, conjugated, planar & must contain  $(4n)$   $\pi$  electrons.

C) Aromatic compounds are cyclic, conjugated, planar & must contain  $(4n + 2)$   $\pi$  electrons.

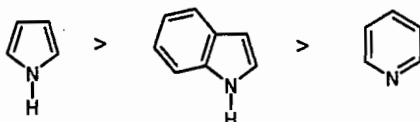
2) **Ans (c):-** A is Non-aromatic, B & C are aromatic.

[10]-Annulene would be aromatic as it has  $(4n + 2)$   $\pi e^-$  but it is a nonaromatic compound because it is nonplanar.

Note:-[10]-Annulene that has only *cis* double bonds cannot have the planar conformation because of angle strain.

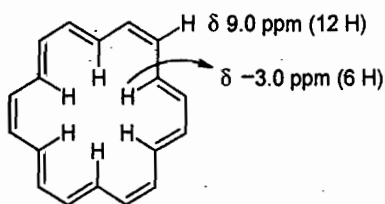
[10]-Annulene that has two *trans* double bonds cannot adopt a planar conformation because two internal hydrogen atoms interfere with each other & disturb the planarity

3) **Ans (c):-** Reactivity order of pyrrole, pyridine and indole to electrophilic aromatic substitution is pyrrole > indole > pyridine. Among pyrrole and indole, indole is less reactive than pyrrole because of withdrawing effect of -Ph ring in case of indole. Pyridine is very much less reactive due to electron-withdrawing nitrogen atom. Pyridine, therefore, is less reactive than benzene. Indeed, it is even less reactive than nitrobenzene.

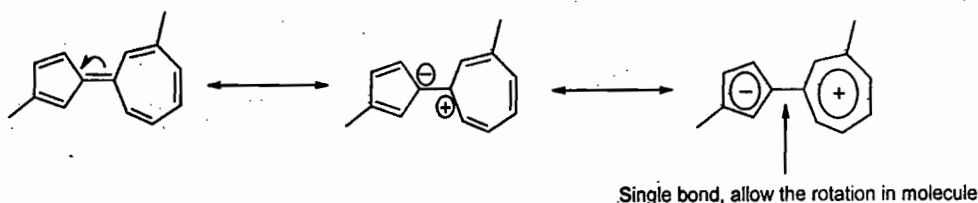


4) **Ans (d):-** The correct statements are A and C only.

Because the inner protons of [18]-annulene resonate at  $\delta = -3.00$  in its  $^1H$  NMR spectrum



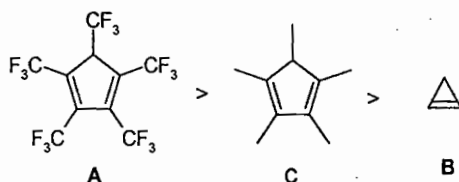
5) **Ans (c):-** Among A to D compound, only in C, the resonance stabilization energies arises the aromatization of both ring (as shown below) & delocalization result in formation of single bond which allow the rotation i.e. cis-trans isomerisation



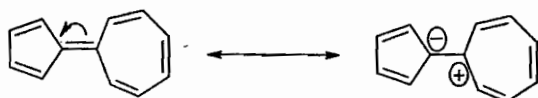
while in A, B & D the resonance stabilization energies (delocalization) arises the anti aromatization of the one of the ring so there is a no delocalization.

6) **Ans (c):-** Since the resulting carbanion formation on loss of a proton, is greatly stabilized due to aromatization in A & C while in case of B loss of a proton & the resulting carbanion formation is destabilized

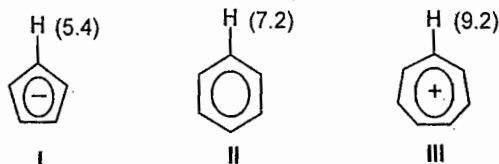
due to antiaromatization so it is not acidic at all. Now among A & C; A is more acidic due presence of electron withdrawing  $-CF_3$  group which stabilizes the carbanion while in B due presence of electron donating  $-CH_3$  group which destabilizes the carbanion. Therefore correct order of acidity is:-



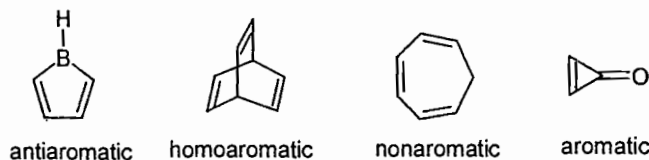
7) **Ans (b)**:- Amongst A to-D compound, only in B the resonance stabilization energies arises the aromatization of both ring & result in dipolar structure which possesses a significant dipole moment. While in A,C & in D the resonance stabilization energies arises the anti-aromatization of the one of the ring so no delocalization.



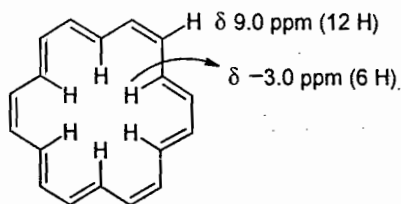
8) **Ans (a)**:- The chemical shifts of protons on negatively charged (electron rich) carbon resonate at upfield (shielded) while that of protons on positively charged (electron deficient) carbon resonate at downfield (deshielded)



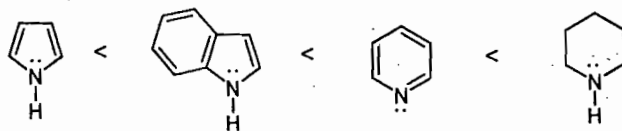
9) **Ans (a)**:- The compound I is antiaromatic is as it obey Huckel's rule for Antiaromaticity. (In this case borane is  $sp^2$  hybridized) Antiaromatic compounds are cyclic, conjugated, planner & must contain  $(4n)$   $\pi$  electrons.



10) **Ans (c)**:-  $^1H$  NMR spectrum of [18]-annulene shows two peaks; the external protons are far downfield at  $\delta$  9.0 (12H) and the internal protons are at very up field  $\delta$  -3.0 (6H)



11) **Ans (a)**:- Localized lone pair on saturated nitrogen atom is more basic than unsaturated so IV is more basic than III. I & II are very weakly basic since lone pair on N-atom is involved in aromatization. Pyrrole is an extremely weak base because when it is protonated, its aromaticity is destroyed while in indole aromaticity of benzene remain intact after protonation. So the correct order is  $IV > III > II > I$ .





## Topic 15

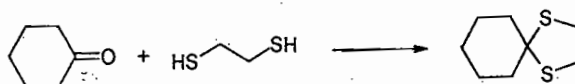
# ORGANIC REACTION MECHANISM

## (ORM, REAGENTS, REARRANGEMENTS & NAME REACTIONS)

### Questions with two marks

1) A suitable catalyst for bringing out the transformation given below is

[June 2011]



- (a) BF<sub>3</sub>.Et<sub>2</sub>O      (b) NaOEt      (c) Tungsten lamp      (d) Dibenzoyl peroxide

2) The major product formed in the reaction given below is

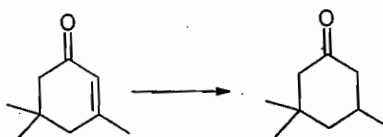
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- (a)      (b)      (c)      (d)

3) The most suitable reagent for the following transformation is

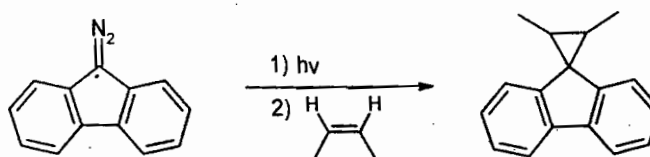
[June 2011]



- (a) LiAlH<sub>4</sub>      (b) NH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>/KOH      (c) NaBH<sub>4</sub>/CeCl<sub>3</sub>      (d) Li/liq.NH<sub>3</sub>

4) The intermediate involved in the reaction given below is

[June 2011]



- (a) Free radical      (b) Carbocation      (c) Carbanion      (d) Carbene

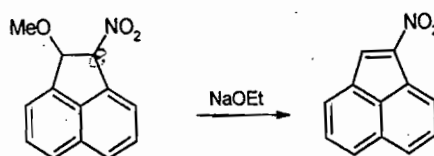
5) Addition of BH<sub>3</sub> to a carbon-carbon double bond is

[June 2011]

- (a) anti-Markovnikov syn addition      (b) anti-Markovnikov anti addition  
(c) Markovnikov syn addition      (d) Markovnikov anti addition.

6) The reaction given below is an example of

[June 2011]

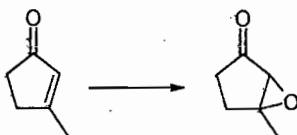


- (a) E<sub>2</sub>-elimination      (b) E<sub>1</sub>-elimination      (c) syn-elimination      (d) E<sub>1</sub>cb-elimination



7) The suitable reagent for the following conversion is

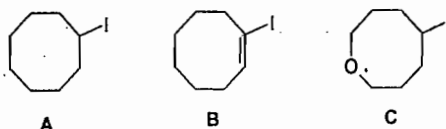
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- (a) m-CPBA (b)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2/\text{AcOH}$  (c)  $\text{tBuOOH}/\text{HCl}$  (d)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2/\text{NaOH}$

8) The relative rates of solvolysis of iodides A-C are

[June 2011]



- (a)  $\text{C} > \text{A} > \text{B}$  (b)  $\text{C} > \text{B} > \text{A}$  (c)  $\text{B} > \text{C} > \text{A}$  (d)  $\text{B} > \text{A} > \text{C}$

9) Among the following compounds, the formyl anion equivalent is

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- (a) acetylene (b) nitromethane (c) ethyl chloroformate (d) 1, 4-dithiane

10) A suitable reagent combination for carrying out the following conversion is

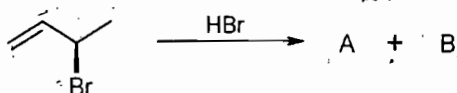
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- (a) trimethyl orthoacetate and p-toluenesulfonic acid (b) trimethyl ortho acetate and sodium hydroxide  
(c) 2-methoxypropene and p-toluenesulfonic acid (d) 2-methoxypropene and sodium hydroxide

11) In the following Markovnikov's addition reaction, the products A and B are

[Dec 2011]



- (a) homomers (b) enantiomers (c) diastereomers (d) regioisomers

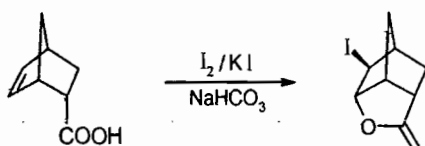
12) The most appropriate reagent suitable for the conversion of 2-octyne into trans-2-octene is

[Dec 2011]

- (a) zinc and acetic acid (b) 10% Pd/C  
(c) lithium in liquid ammonia (d) hydrazine hydrate

13) The reaction given below proceeds through

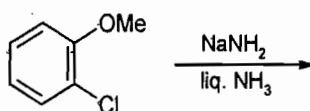
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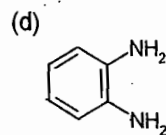
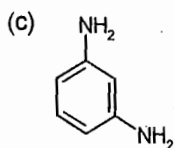
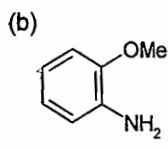
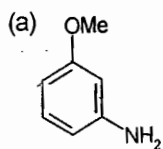


- (a) (b) (c) (d)

14) The major product formed in the following reaction is

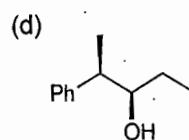
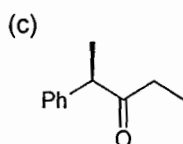
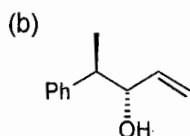
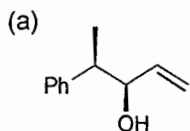
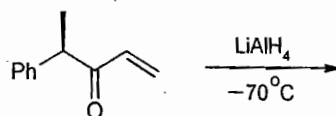
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15) The major product formed in the following reaction is

[Dec 2011]



16) The reaction that involves the formation of both C-C and C-O bonds is

[Dec 2011]

(a) Diels-Alder reaction  
(c) aldol reaction

(b) Darzen's glycidic ester condensation  
(d) Beckmann rearrangement

17) The nucleophilic attack on olefins under mild conditions

[June 2012]

(a) is always facile  
(c) is facile for electron-rich olefins

(b) is more facile than electrophilic attack on olefins  
(d) requires activation by coordination to metal.

18) Among the following, the synthetic equivalent for acyl anion is

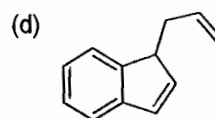
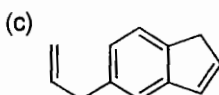
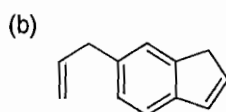
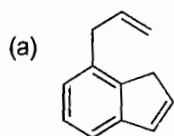
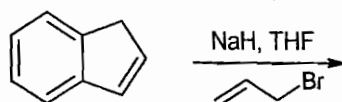
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(a) Nitroethane and base  
(c) Ethylmagnesium bromide

(b)  $\alpha$ -chloroacrylonitrile  
(d) Acetyl chloride and triethylamine

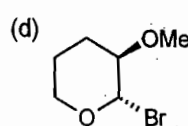
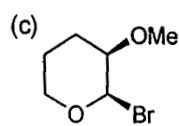
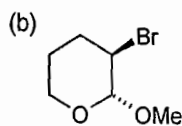
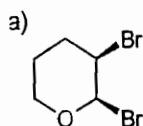
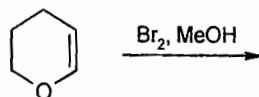
19) The major product formed in the following reaction is

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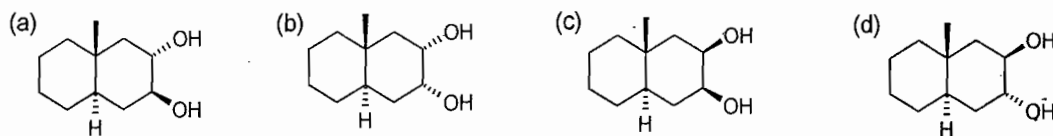
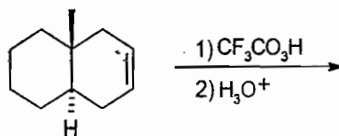
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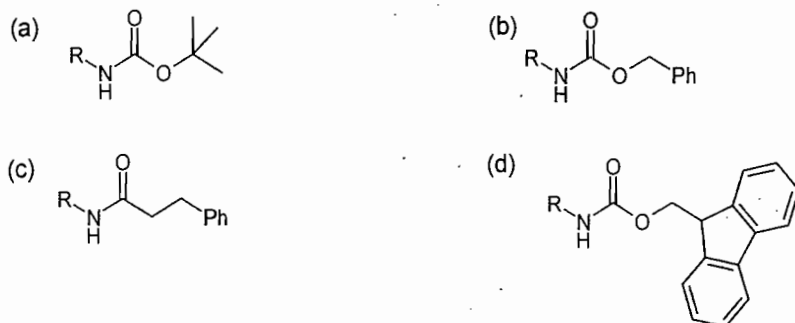
21) The major product formed in the following reaction is

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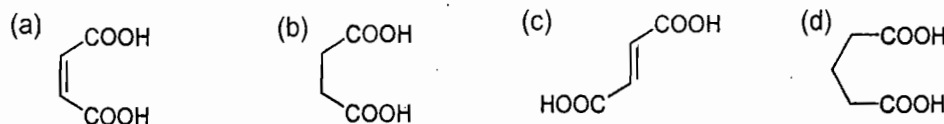
22) Among the following, the compound that undergoes deprotection easily on treatment with hydrogen in the presence of 10% Pd/C to generate  $\text{RNH}_2$  is

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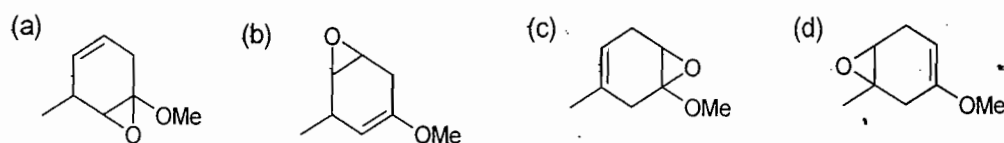
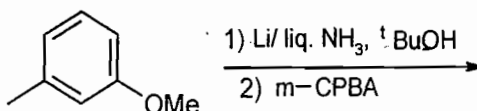
23) Among the following diacids, the one that forms an anhydride fastest on heating with acetic anhydride is

[June 2012]



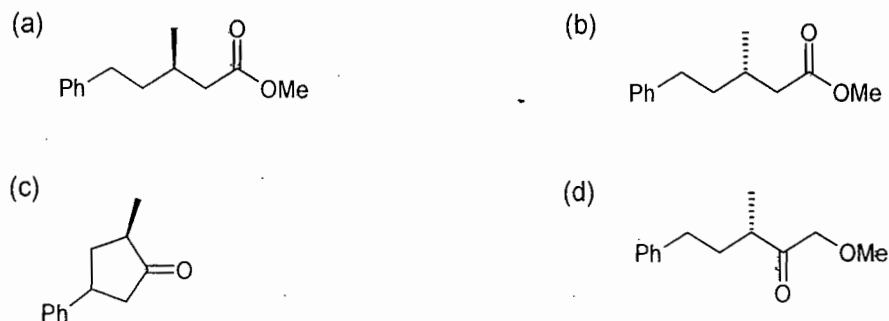
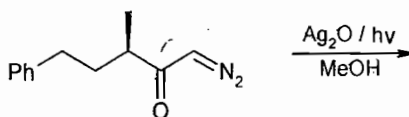
24) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

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25) The major product formed in the following reaction is

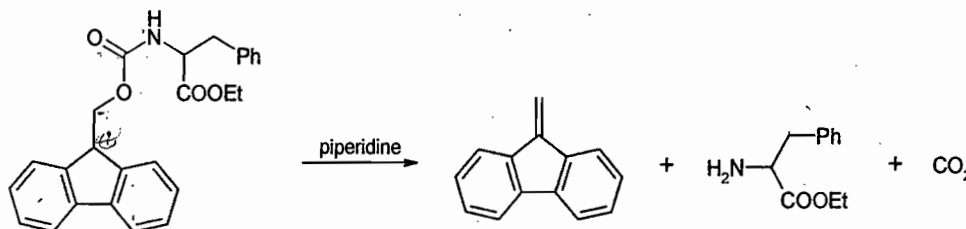
[Dec 2012]



26) If the pKa value for p-methoxybenzoic acid is 4.46 and that of benzoic acid is 4.19, the  $\sigma_{\text{para}}$  for methoxy group is [Dec 2012]

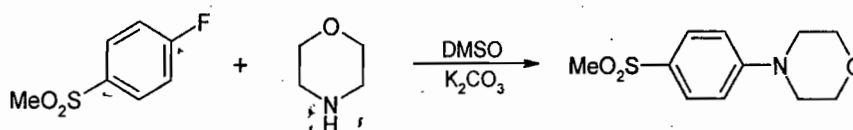
- (a) 8.65 (b) 4.32 (c) 0.27 (d) -0.27

27) The mechanism involved in the following conversion is [Dec 2012]



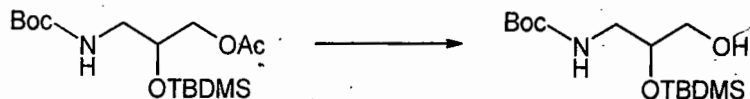
- (a) E2-elimination (b) E1-elimination (c) syn-elimination (d) E1 cb-elimination.

28) The correct statement(s)-A-D are given for the following reaction. The correct one(s) is (are) [Dec 2012]



- (A) aromatic ipso substitution reaction (B) aromatic nucleophilic substitution  
(C) aromatic electrophilic substitution (D) aromatic free radical substitution.  
(a) A and C only (b) A and B only (c) C and D only (d) C only

29) The most appropriate reagent to effect the following chemoselective conversion is [Dec 2012]



- (a) HCl, EtOH, reflux (b)  $\text{Bu}_4\text{NF}$  (c)  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$ , MeOH (d)  $\text{CF}_3\text{COOH}$ , EtOH, rt.

30) Among the following, an example of a "Green Synthesis" is [Dec 2012]

- (a) Synthesis of malachite green  
(b) Friedel-Craft's acylation of anisole with  $\text{Ac}_2\text{O}$ /anhydrous  $\text{AlCl}_3$ .  
(c) Jones' oxidation of benzyl alcohol to benzoic acid.  
(d) Diels-Alder reaction of furan and maleic acid in water.

31) Among the following esters, the one that undergoes acid hydrolysis fastest is [June 2013]



32) Reaction of cyclohexyl benzyl ether with hydrogen in the presence of 10% Pd/C yields [June 2013]

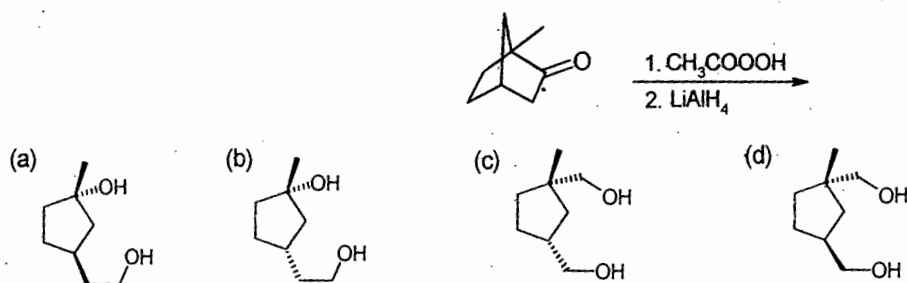
- (a) cyclohexanol and toluene (b) cyclohexanol and benzyl alcohol  
(c) cyclohexane and benzyl alcohol (d) cyclohexane and toluene

33) Among the following dibromocyclohexanes, the one that reacts fastest with sodium iodide to give cyclohexene is [June 2013]



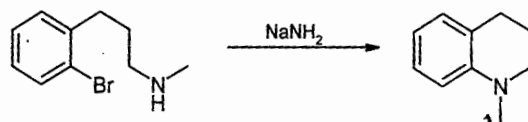
34) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

[June 2013]



35) The reactive intermediate involved in the following reaction is

[June 2013]



- (a) a carbocation      (b) a carbanion      (c) a free radical      (d) an aryne

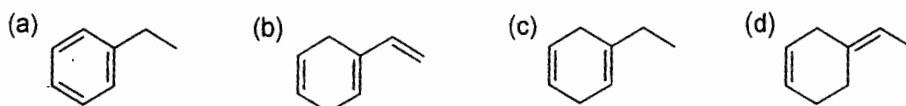
36) In the mechanism of reaction,  $H_2 + Br_2 \longrightarrow 2HBr$  the first step is

[Dec 2013]

- (a) dissociation of  $H_2$  into  $H^\cdot$  radicals      (b) dissociation of  $Br_2$  into  $Br^\cdot$  radicals  
 (c) reaction of  $H^\cdot$  radical with  $Br_2$       (d) reaction of  $Br^\cdot$  radical with  $H_2$

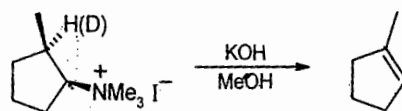
37) The major product formed in the reaction of styrene with an excess of lithium in liquid ammonia and t-butyl alcohol is

[Dec 2013]



38) Deuterium kinetic isotope effect for the following reaction was found to be 4.0. Based on this information, mechanism of the reaction is

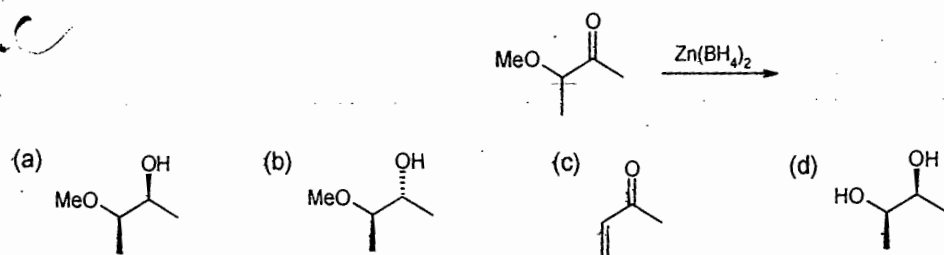
[Dec 2013]



- (a)  $E_1$       (b)  $E_2$       (c)  $E_{1cB}$       (d) free radical

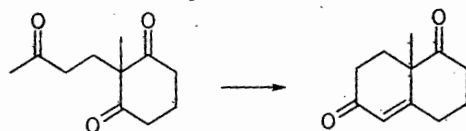
39) The major product formed in the following reaction is

[Dec 2013]



40) A suitable organocatalyst for enantioselective synthesis of Wieland-Miescher ketone (A) is

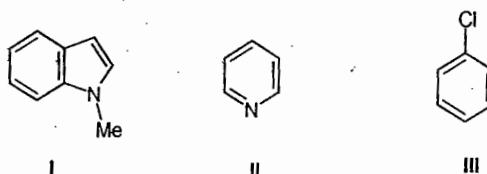
[Dec 2013]



- (-)-proline      (b) (+)-menthone      (c) guanidine      (d) (+)-BINOL

41) The correct order for the rates of electrophilic aromatic substitution of the following compound is

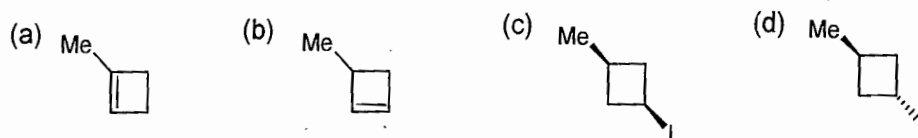
[June 2014]



- (a) I > II > III      (b) II > I > III      (c) III > II > I      (d) I > III > II

42) The major product formed in the reactions of trans-1-bromo-3-methylcyclobutane with sodium iodide in DMF is

[June 2014]



43) Consider the statements about the following structures X and Y.

[June 2014]



- (A) X and Y are resonance structure  
(C) Y is more basic than X

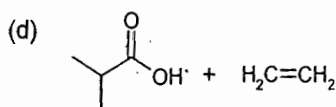
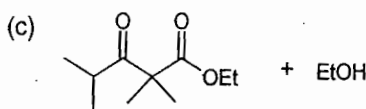
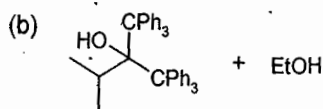
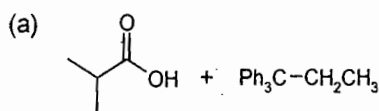
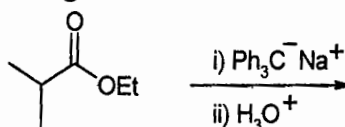
- (B) X and Y are tautomers  
(D) X is more basic than Y

The correct statement(s) among the above is (are)

- (a) A and C      (b) C      (c) B and D      (d) B and C

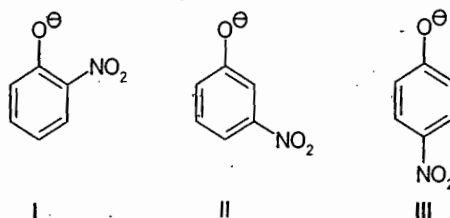
44) The major products formed in the following reaction are

[June 2014]



45) The correct order of basicity for the following anion is

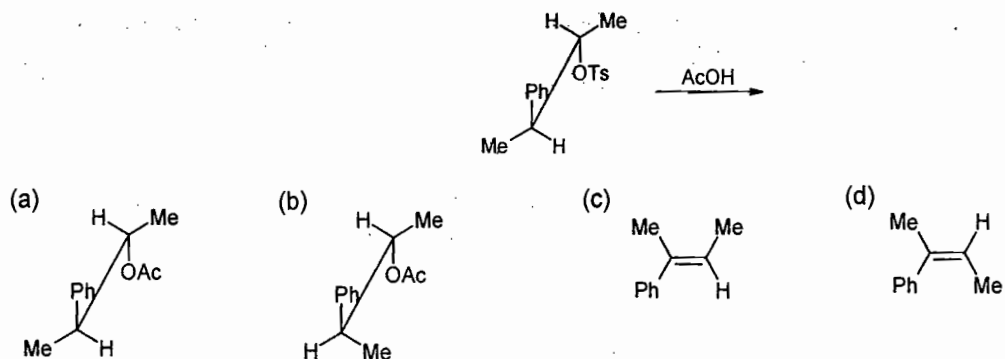
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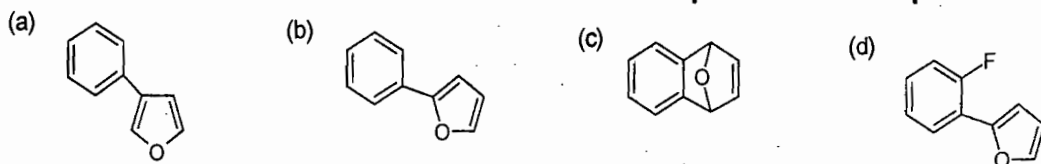
- (a) II > III > I      (b) I > II > III      (c) II > I > III      (d) III > II > I

46) The major product formed in the following reaction is

[June 2014]

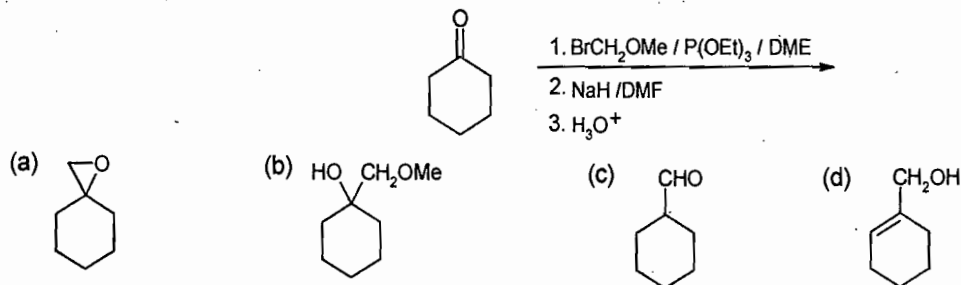


47) The reaction of 1-bromo-2-fluorobenzene with furan in the presence of one equivalent of Mg gives [Dec 2014]



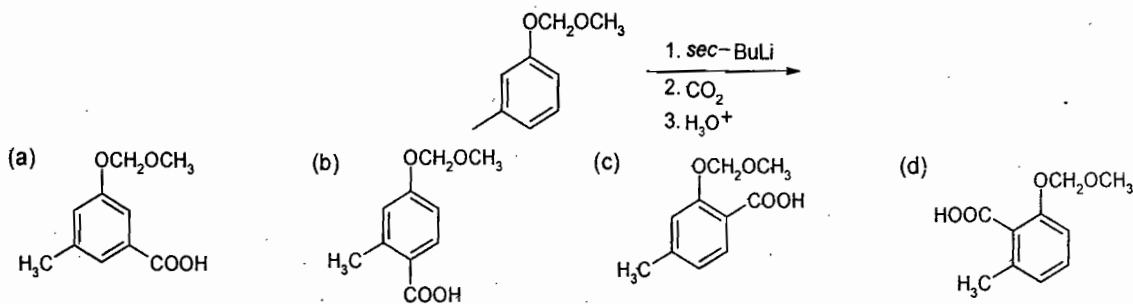
48) The product for the following sequence of the reaction is

[Dec 2014]



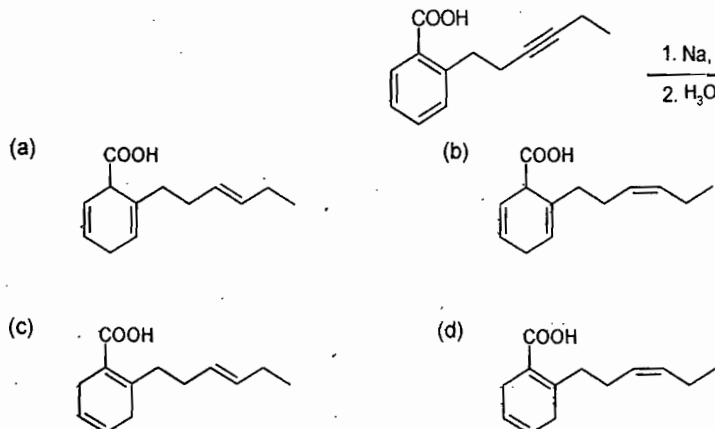
49) The major product formed in the following reaction is

[Dec 2014]



50) The major product of the following reaction is

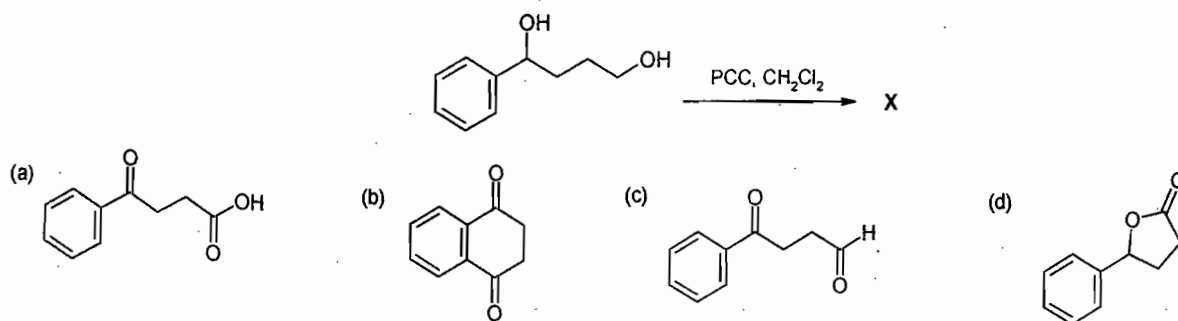
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**Questions with four marks**

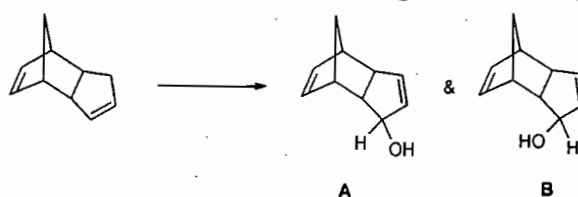
- 1) The major compound X formed in the following reaction exhibited a strong absorption at  $\nu_{\text{max}}$   $1765 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the IR spectrum. The structure of X is

[June 2011]



- 2) In allylic oxidation reaction, the appropriate statement, among the choices given below is

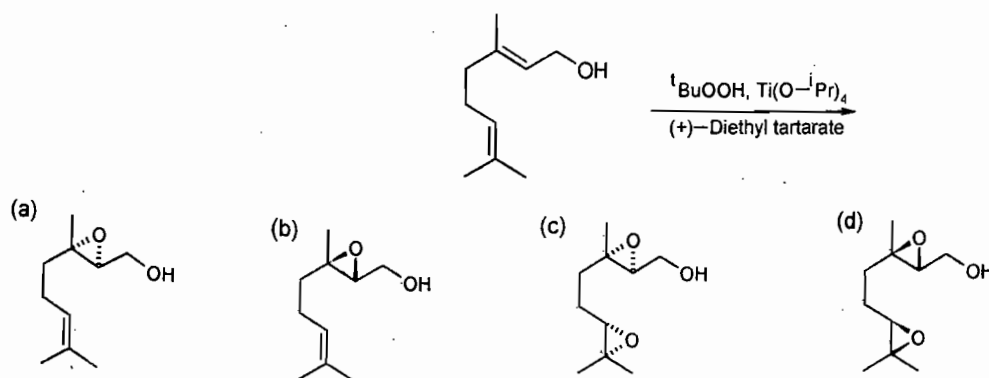
[June 2011]



- (a) Suitable reagent is  $\text{KMnO}_4$  and the major product is A.    (b) Suitable reagent is  $\text{KMnO}_4$  and the major product is B.  
 (c) Suitable reagent is  $\text{SeO}_2$  and the major product is A.    (d) Suitable reagent is  $\text{SeO}_2$  and the major product is B.

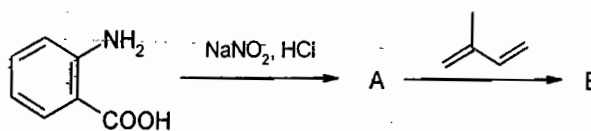
- 3) The major product formed in the following reaction is

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- 4) The intermediate A and the major product B in the following conversion are

[June 2011]

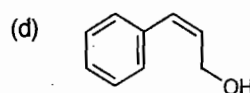
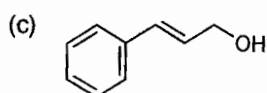
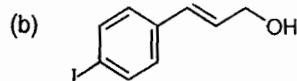
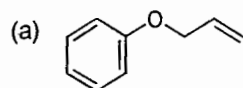
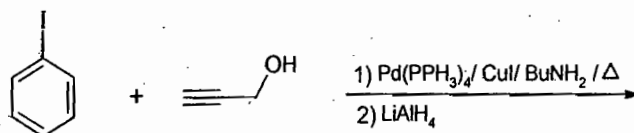


- (a) A is carbocation & B is
- (b) A is carbanion & B is
- (c) A is free radical & B is
- (d) A is benzyne & B is



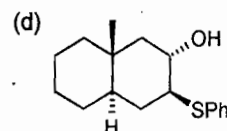
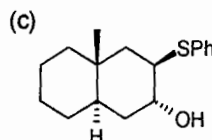
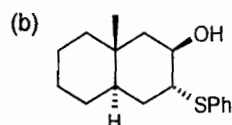
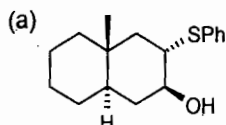
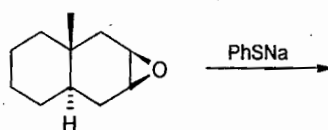
5) The major product formed in the following reaction is

[June 2011]

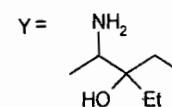
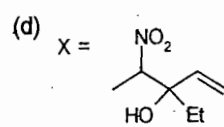
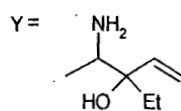
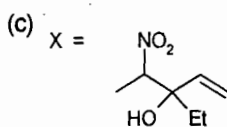
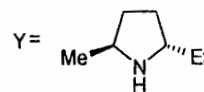
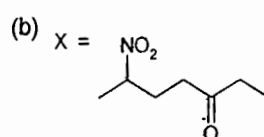
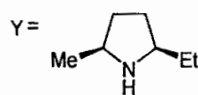
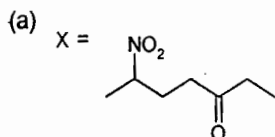
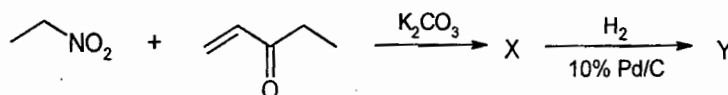


6) The major product formed in the following reaction is

[June 2011]

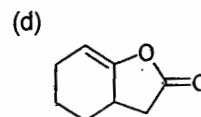
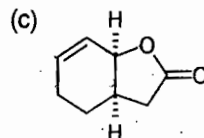
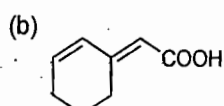
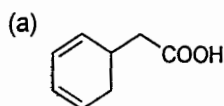
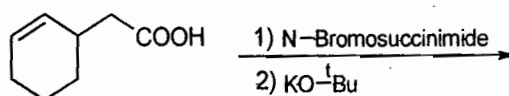


7) In the following reaction sequence, the correct structures for the major products X and Y are [June 2011]



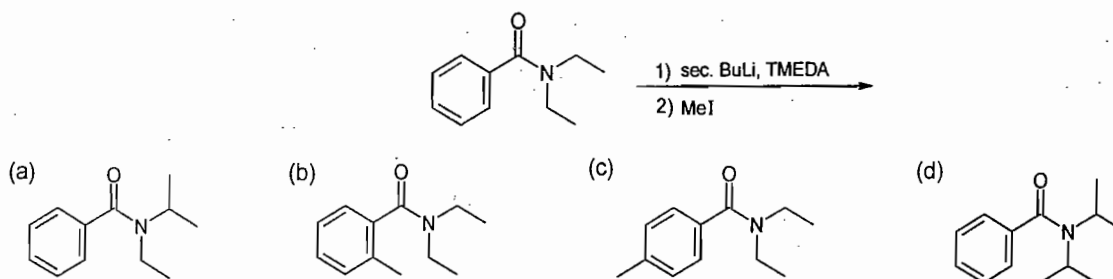
8) The major product formed in the following transformation is

[June 2011]



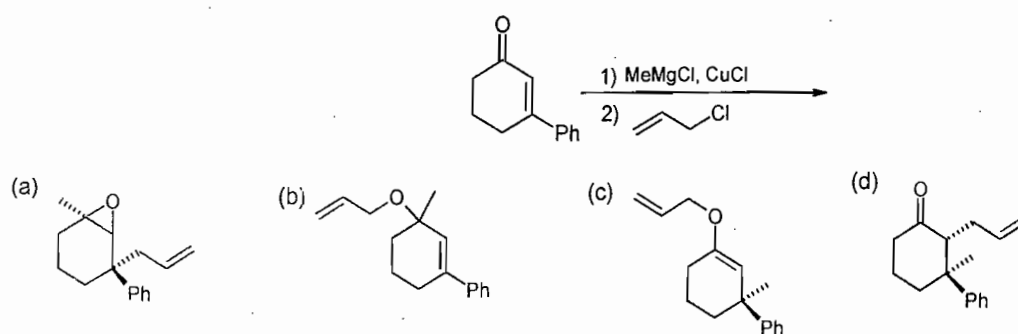
9) The major product formed in the following reaction is

[June 2011]



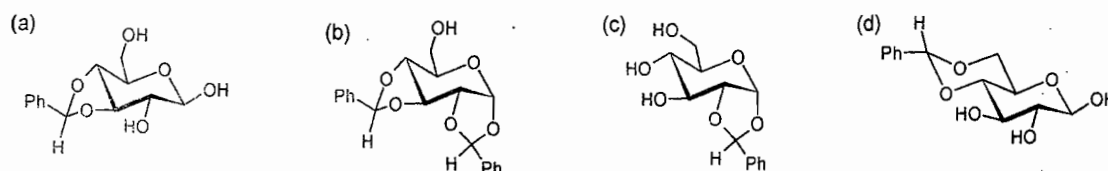
10) The major product formed in the following transformation is

[June 2011]



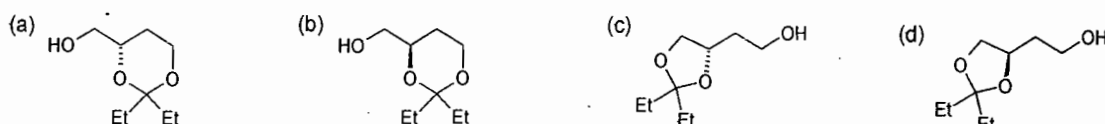
11) The major product formed in the reaction of glucose with benzaldehyde and p-TSA is

[June 2011]



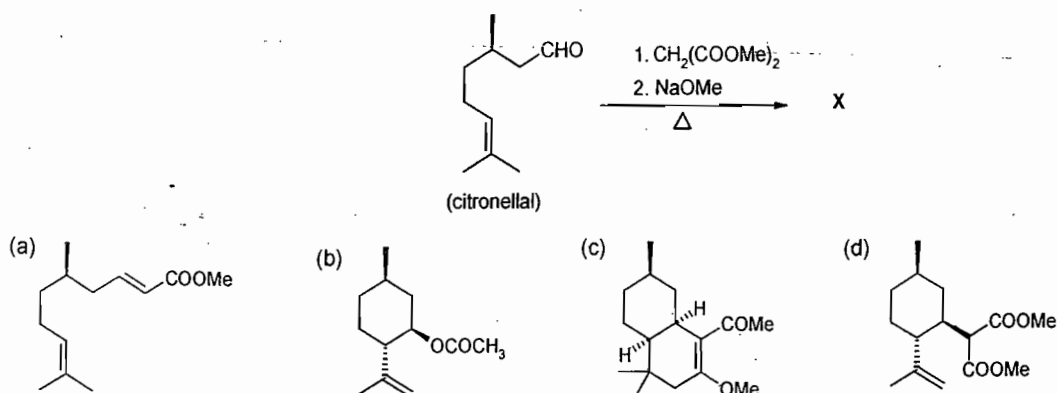
12) The major product formed in the reaction of (S)-1,2,4-butanetriol with 3-pentanone in the presence of a catalytic amount of p-TSA is

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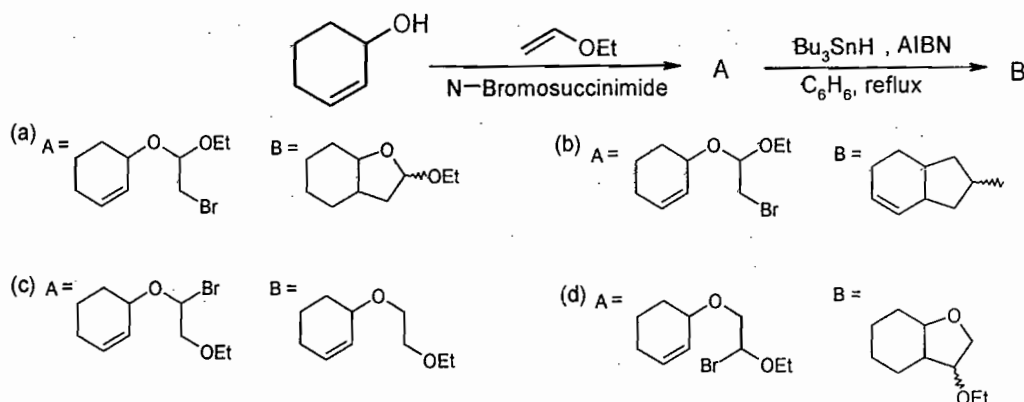
13) The major product formed in the reaction sequence is

[June 2011]



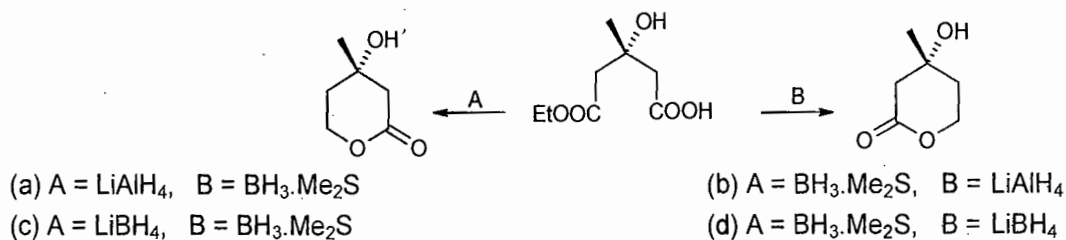
14) The major products A and B in the following reaction sequence are

[Dec 2011]



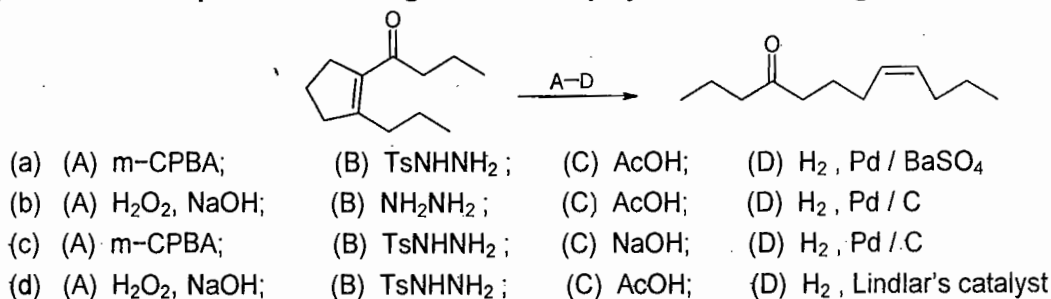
15) Identify appropriate reagents A and B in the following reactions.

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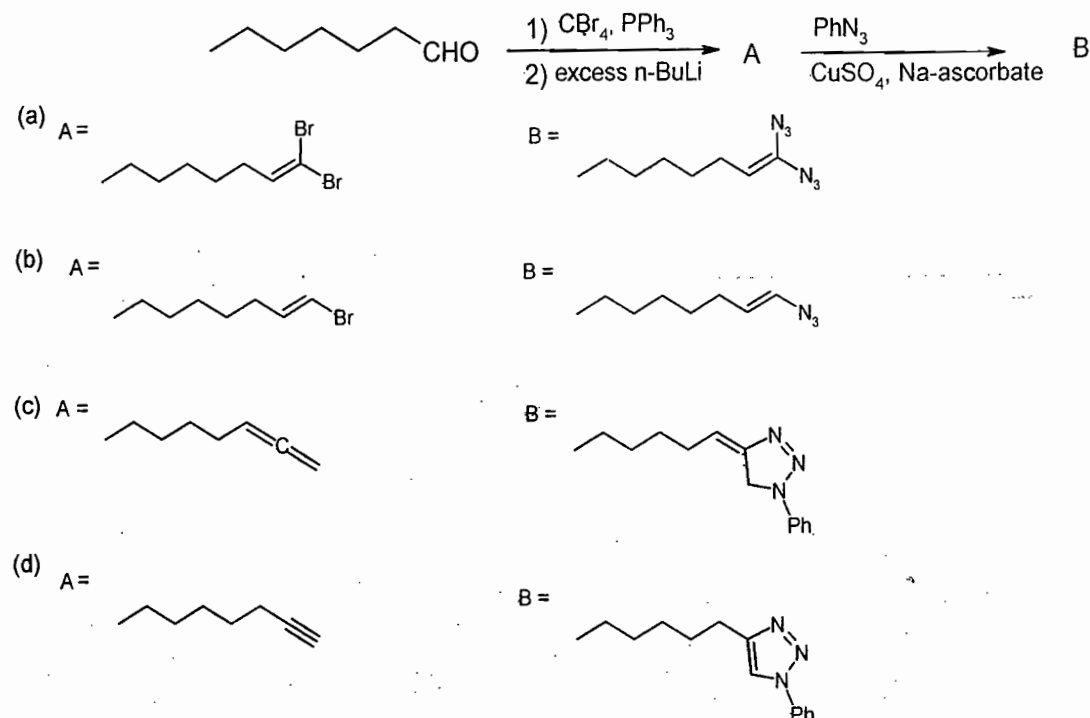
16) The correct sequence of the reagents to be employed in the following transformation is:

[Dec 2011]



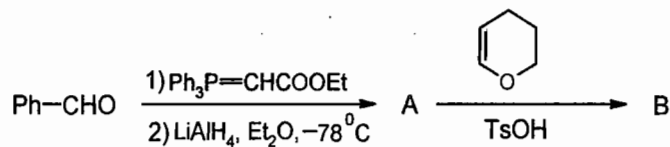
17) The major products A and B in the following reaction sequence are

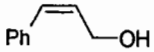
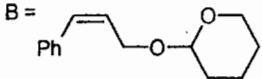
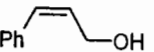
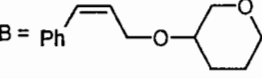
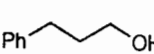
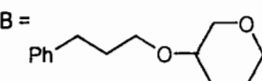
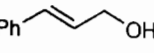
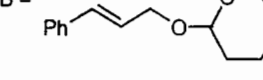
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18) The major products A and B in the following reaction sequence are

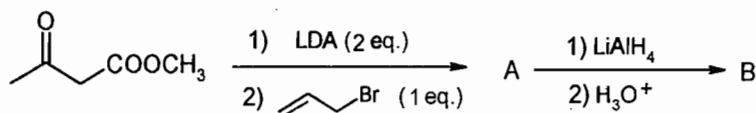
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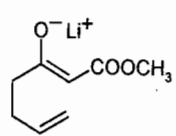
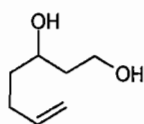
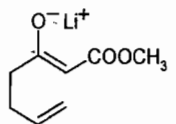
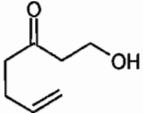
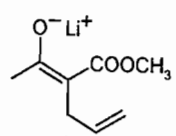
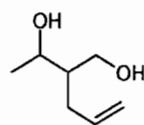
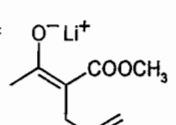
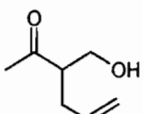


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19) The major products A and B in the following reaction sequence are

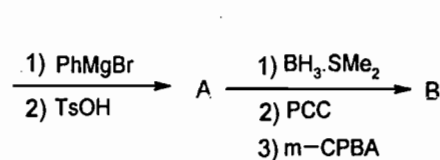
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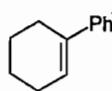
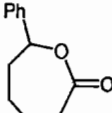
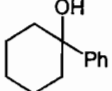
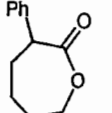
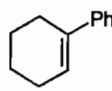
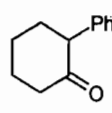
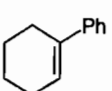
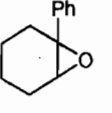


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20) The major products A and B of the following reaction sequence are

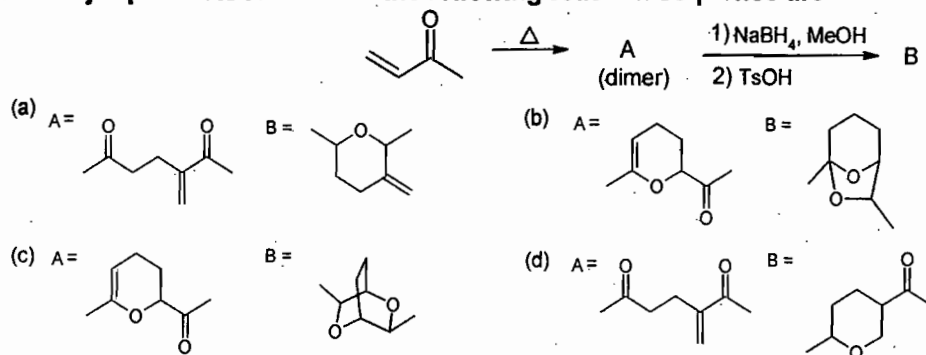
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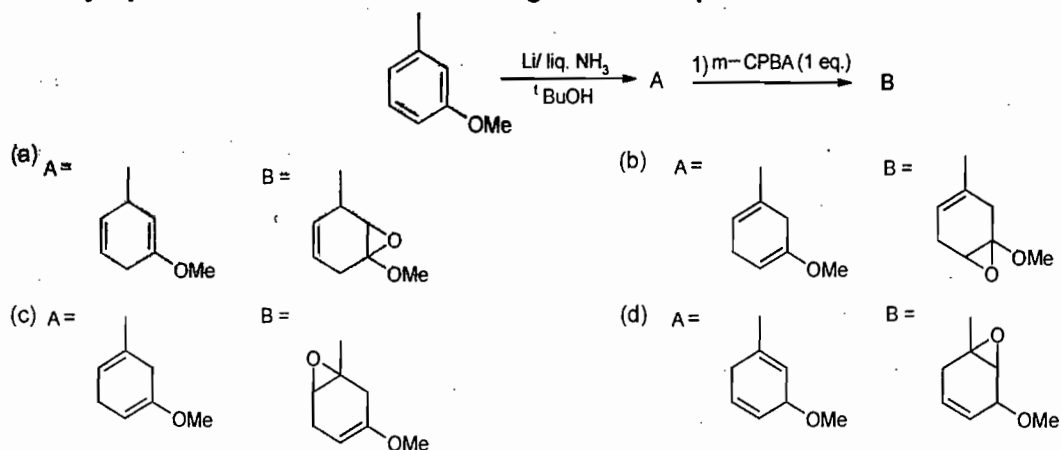
21) The major products A and B in the following reaction sequence are

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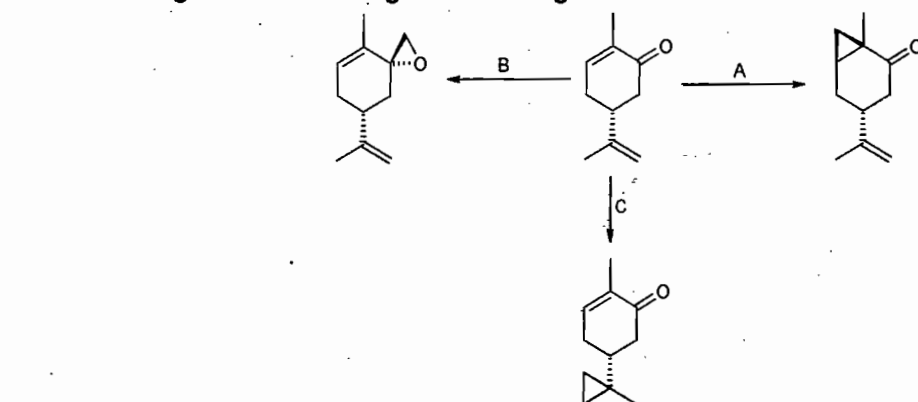
22) The major products A and B in the following reaction sequence are

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23) The correct reagents for effecting the following reactions are

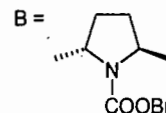
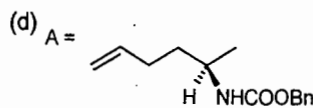
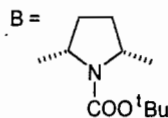
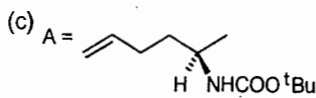
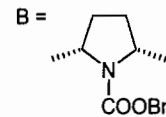
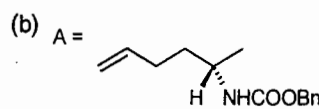
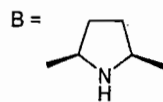
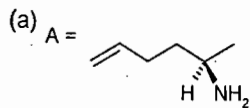
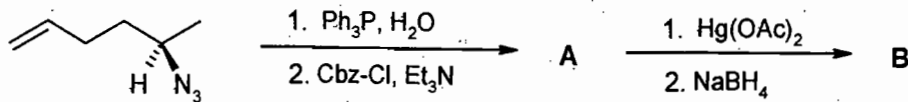
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- (a) A = B = C =  $\text{CH}_2\text{I}_2, \text{Zn-Cu}$
- (b) A = B = C =  $\text{CH}_2\text{I}_2, \text{Zn-Cu}$
- (c) A =  $\text{CH}_2\text{I}_2, \text{Zn-Cu}$  B = C =
- (d) A = B = C = **Tebbe's Reagent**

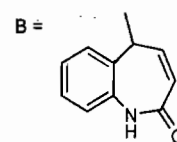
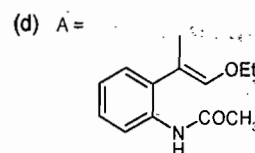
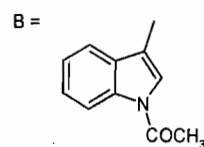
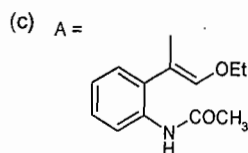
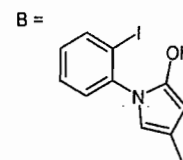
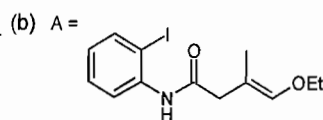
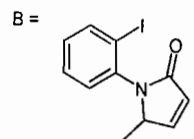
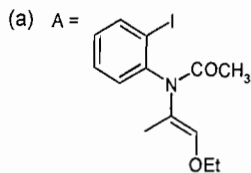
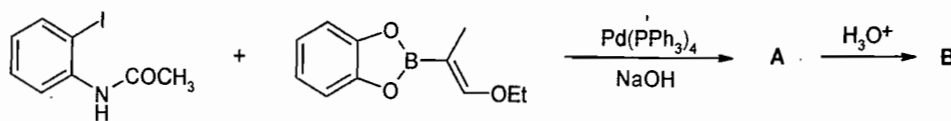
24) The major product A and B of the following reaction sequence are

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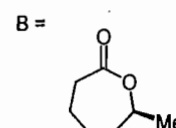
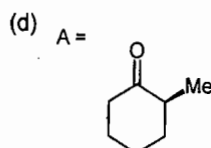
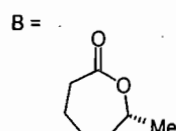
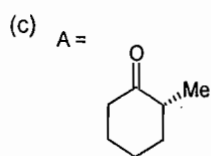
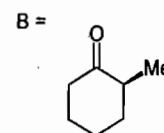
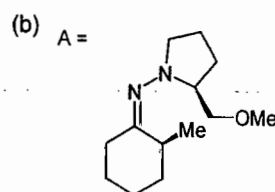
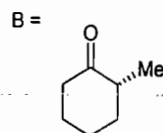
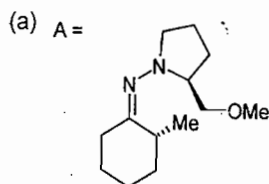
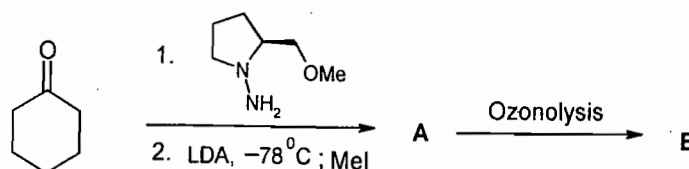
25) The major products A and B in the following synthetic sequence are

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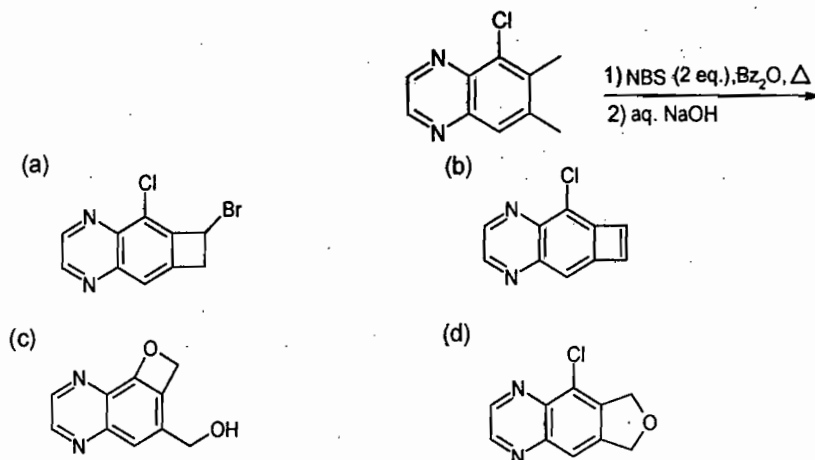
26) The major products A and B in the following synthetic strategy are

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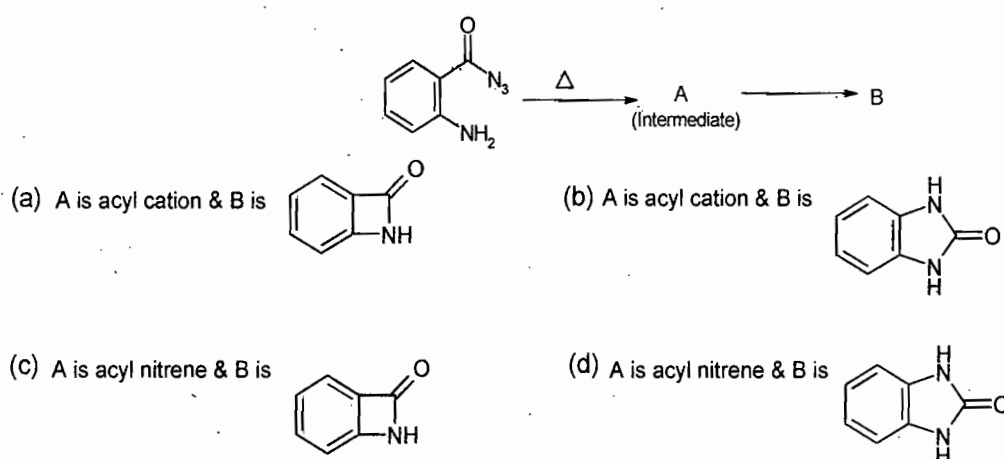
27) The structure of the tricyclic compound formed in the following two step sequence is

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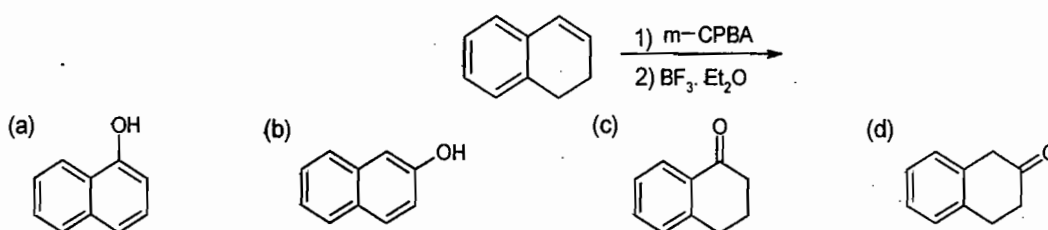
28) The intermediate A and the major product B in the following reaction are

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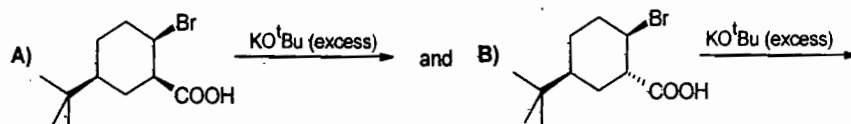
29) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

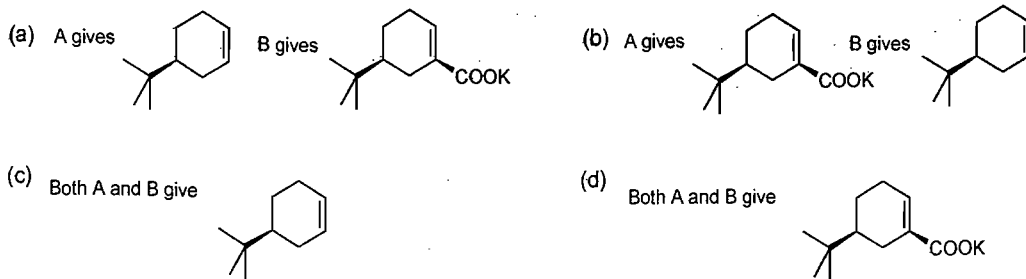
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30) For the following two reactions A and B, the correct statement is:

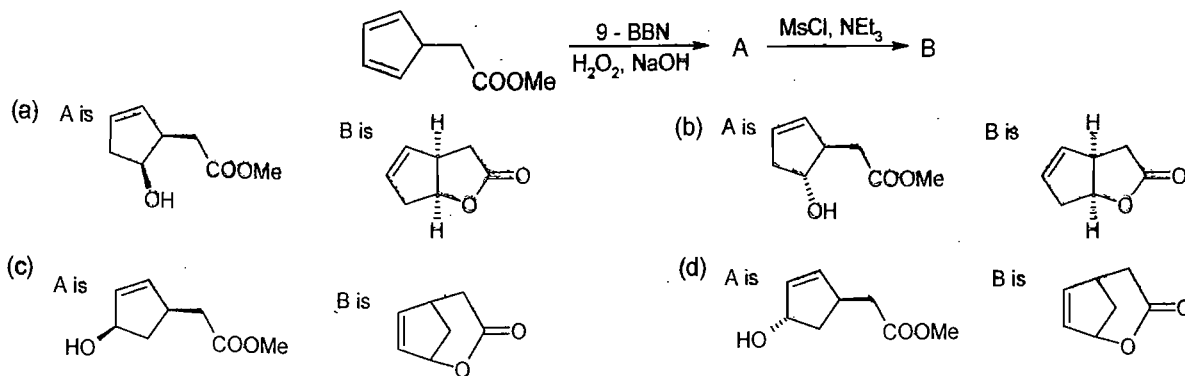
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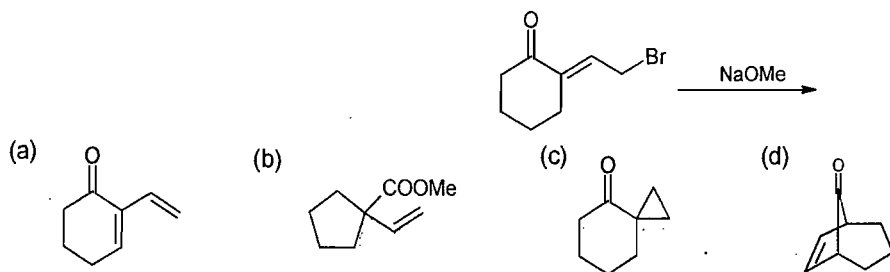
31) The major compound B formed in the reaction sequence given below exhibited a carbonyl absorption band at  $1770\text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the IR spectrum. The structure A and B are

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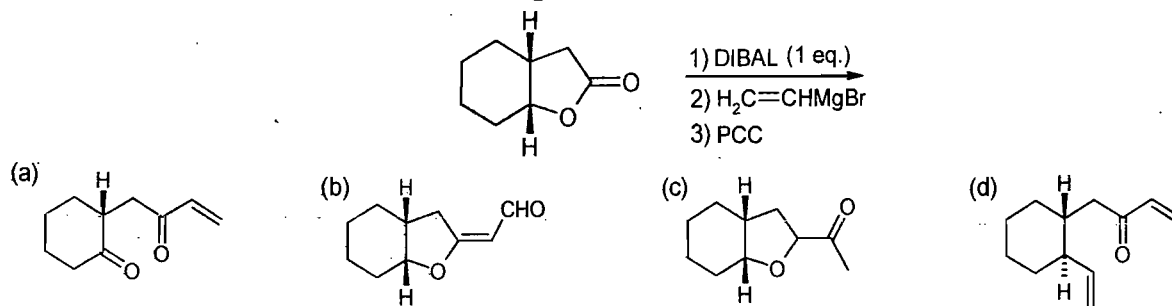
32) The major product formed in the following reaction is:

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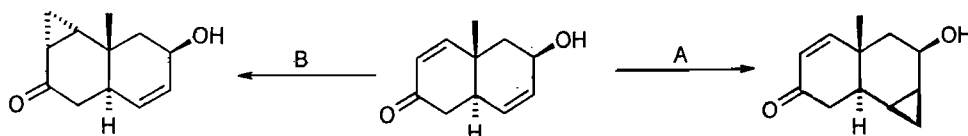
33) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is:

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34) The reagents A and B in the following reactions are

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- (a) A =  $\text{CH}_2\text{I}_2, \text{Zn-Cu}$     B =  $\text{Me}_3\text{S}^+\text{I}^-, \text{NaH}$                       (b) A =  $\text{CH}_2\text{I}_2, \text{Zn-Cu}$     B =  $\text{Me}_3\text{S}^+(\text{O})\text{I}^-, \text{NaH}$   
 (c) A =  $\text{Me}_3\text{S}^+\text{I}^-, \text{NaH}$     B =  $\text{Me}_3\text{S}^+(\text{O})\text{I}^-, \text{NaH}$                       (d) A =  $\text{Me}_3\text{S}^+(\text{O})\text{I}^-, \text{NaH}$     B =  $\text{CH}_2\text{I}_2, \text{Zn-Cu}$

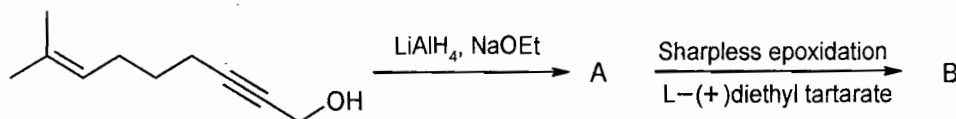
35) The correct reagent combination/reaction sequence for effecting the following conversion is: [June 2012]



- (a) (1)  $\text{Me}_3\text{SiCH}_2\text{OMe}, ^n\text{BuLi}$ ;    (2)  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ ;    (3)  $\text{NaBH}_4, \text{MeOH}$   
 (b) (1)  $\text{Ph}_3\text{P}^+\text{CH}_2\text{OMeCl}^-, ^n\text{BuLi}$ ;    (2)  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ ;    (3)  $\text{NaBH}_4, \text{MeOH}$   
 (c) (1)  $\text{NH}_2\text{NHTs}$ ;    (2)  $\text{NaOEt}$ ;    (3)  $\text{ClCOOEt}$   
 (d) (1)  $\text{NH}_2\text{NHTs}$ ;    (2) 2 eq.  $^n\text{BuLi}$ ;    (3)  $\text{HCHO}$

36) The major products A and B formed in the following reaction sequence are

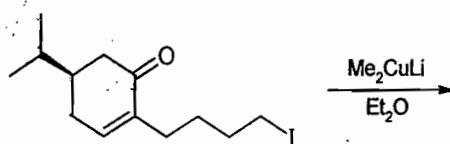
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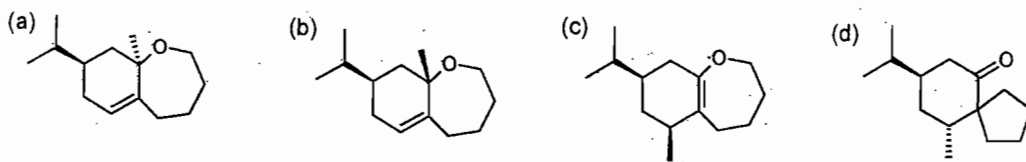


- (a) A =    B =
- (b) A =    B =
- (c) A =    B =
- (d) A =    B =

37) The major product formed in the following reaction is:

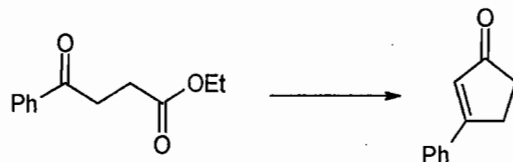
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38) The correct sequence of reagents for effecting the following conversion is:

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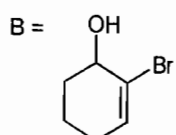
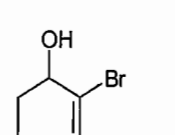
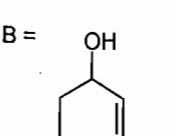
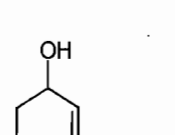


- (a) 1)  $(\text{CH}_2\text{OH})_2$ , PTSA,  $\Delta$  2)  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Ti}(\text{Cl})\text{AlMe}_2$  (Tebbe's reagent) 3)  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  4) KOH
- (b) 1)  $(\text{CH}_2\text{OH})_2$ , PTSA,  $\Delta$  2)  $\text{Ph}_3\text{P}=\text{CH}_2$  3)  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  4) KOH
- (c) 1)  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Ti}(\text{Cl})\text{AlMe}_2$  (Tebbe's reagent) 2)  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  3) KOH
- (d) 1)  $\text{Ph}_3\text{P}=\text{CH}_2$  2)  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  3) KOH

39) The reagent A required, and the major product B formed in the following reaction sequence are

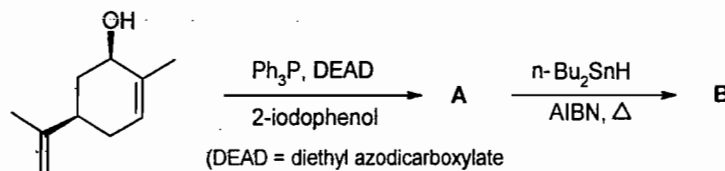
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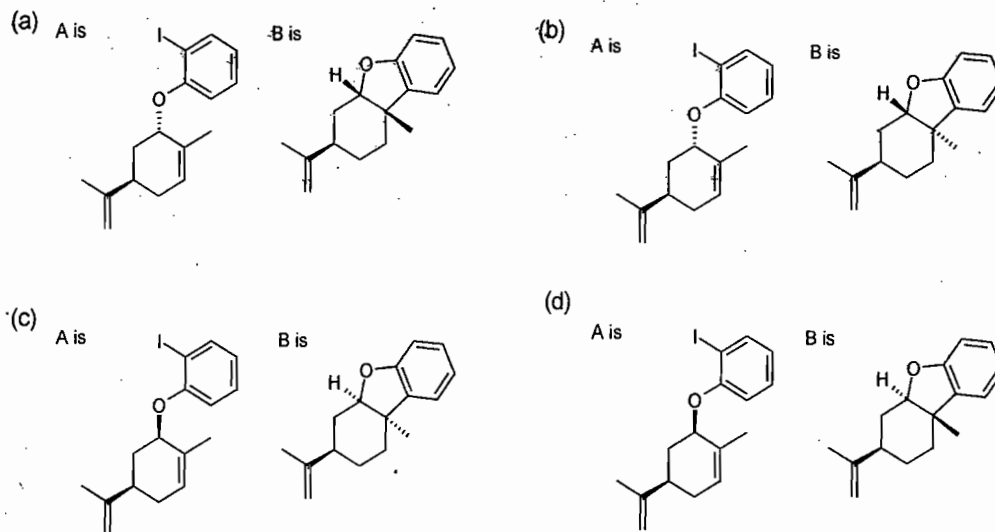


- (a) A =  $\text{CH}_2\text{Br}_2$  &  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  B = 
- (c) A =  $\text{CHBr}_3$  &  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  B = 
- (b) A =  $\text{CH}_2\text{Br}_2$  &  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  B = 
- (d) A =  $\text{CHBr}_3$  &  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  B = 

40) The major products A and B the following reaction sequence, are

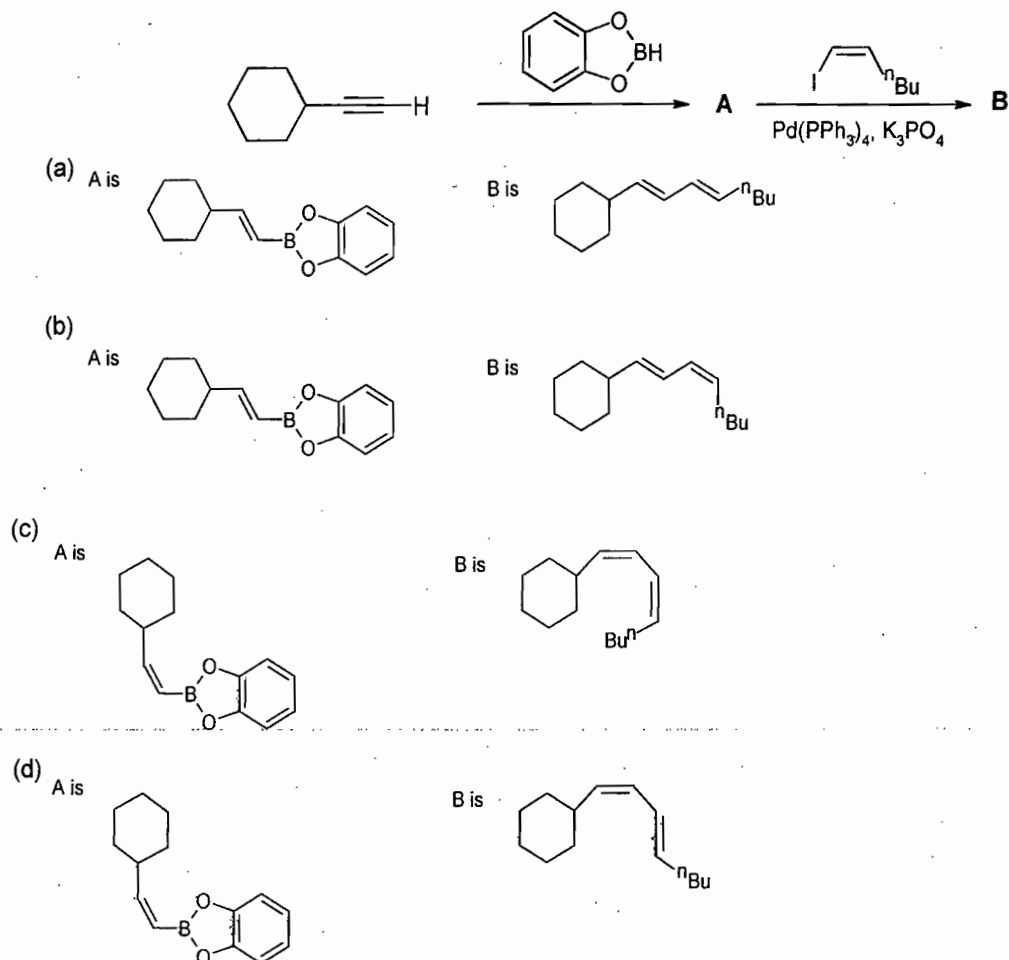
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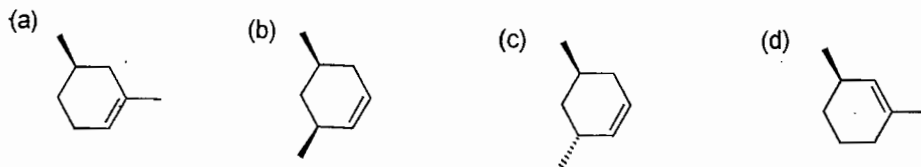
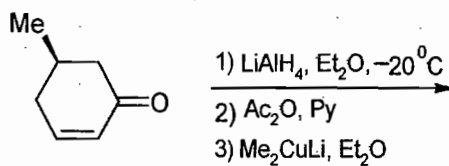
41) The major products A and B the following reaction sequence, are

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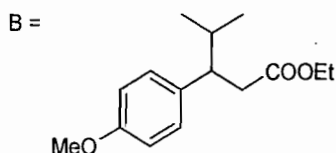
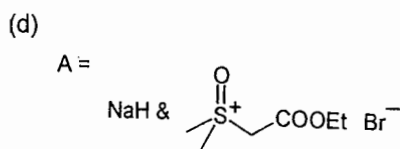
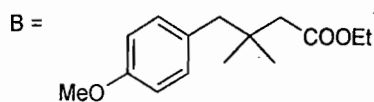
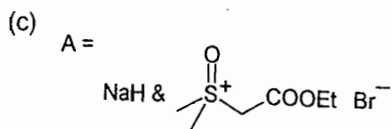
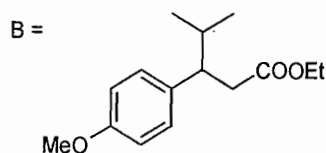
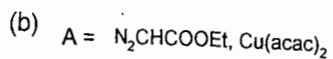
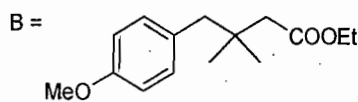
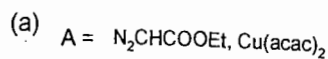
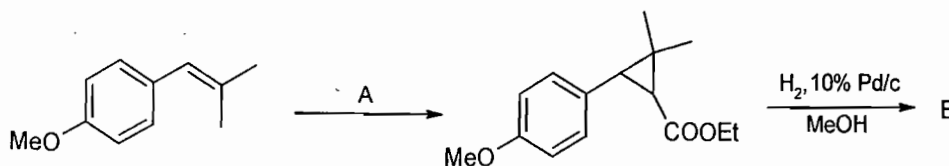
42) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

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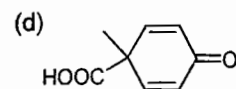
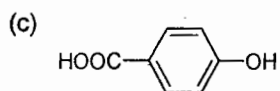
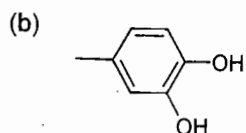
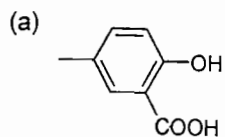
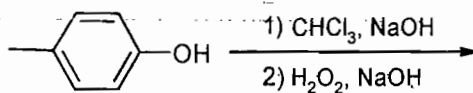
43) In the following reaction, the reagent A and the major product B are

[Dec 2012]



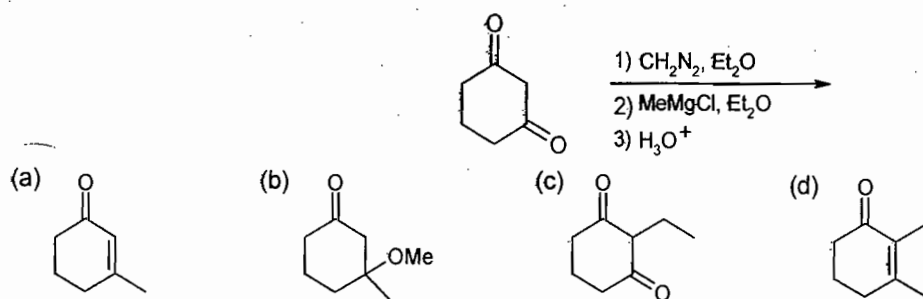
44) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

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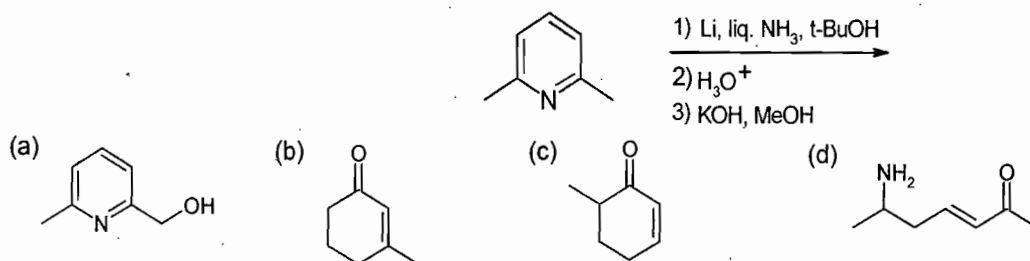
45) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

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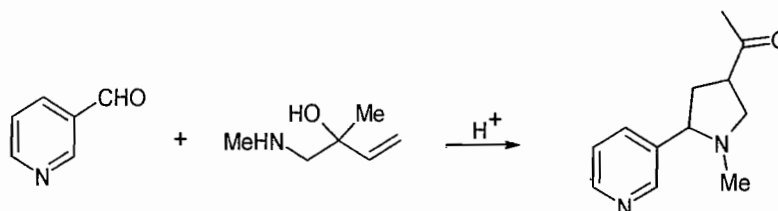
46) The major product formed in the following reaction is

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47) The following transformation involves

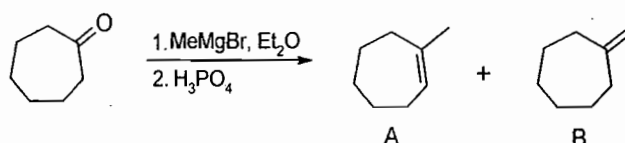
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- (a) an iminium ion, [3,3]-sigmatropic shift and Mannich reaction.  
 (b) a nitrenium ion, [3,3]-sigmatropic shift and Michael reaction.  
 (c) an iminium ion, [1,3]-sigmatropic shift and Mannich reaction.  
 (d) a nitrenium ion, [1,3]-sigmatropic shift and Michael reaction.

48) Among the following, the correct statement for the following reaction is

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- (a) A is the major product and it will have five signals in the proton decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum  
 (b) A is the minor product and it will have eight signals in the proton decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum  
 (c) B is the major product and it will have five signals in the proton decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum  
 (d) B is the minor product and it will have five signals in the proton decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum

49) The treatment of PhBr with n-BuLi yields:

[June 2013]

- (a)  $2 \text{ n-BuPh} + \text{Br}_2 + \text{Li}_2$     (b)  $\text{PhPh} + \text{octane} + 2 \text{ LiBr}$     (c)  $\text{n-BuPh} + \text{LiBr}$     (d)  $\text{PhLi} + \text{n-BuBr}$

50) For the following three step conversion of A to B, the appropriate sequence of reactions is

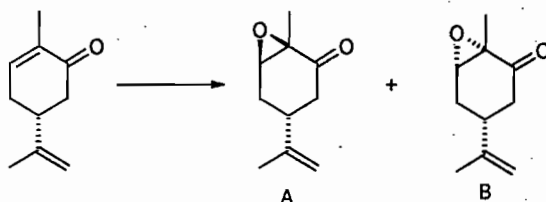
[June 2013]



- (a)  $\text{MnO}_2$ ;  $(\text{CH}_2\text{OH})_2$ /p-TSA; PCC  
 (b) PCC;  $\text{MnO}_2$ ;  $(\text{CH}_2\text{OH})_2$ /p-TSA;  
 (c) PCC;  $(\text{CH}_2\text{OH})_2$ /p-TSA; Jones' reagent  
 (d) Jones' reagent;  $(\text{CH}_2\text{OH})_2$ /p-TSA;  $\text{MnO}_2$ .

51) Which one of the following statements is true for the following transformation?

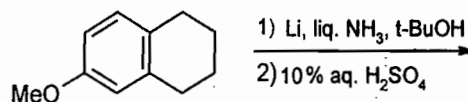
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- (a) Suitable reagent is m-CPBA and B is the major product  
 (b) Suitable reagent in m-CPBA and A is the major product.  
 (c) Suitable reagent is aq.  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ /NaOH and B is the major product.  
 (d) Suitable reagent is aq.  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ /NaOH and A is the major product.

52) The compound formed in the following reaction sequence is

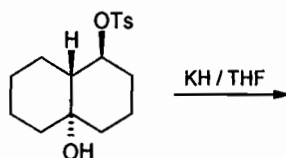
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- (a) (b) (c) (d)

53) The major product formed in the following reaction is

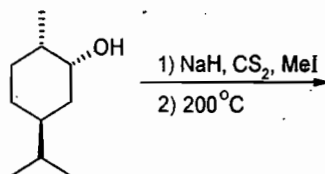
[June 2013]

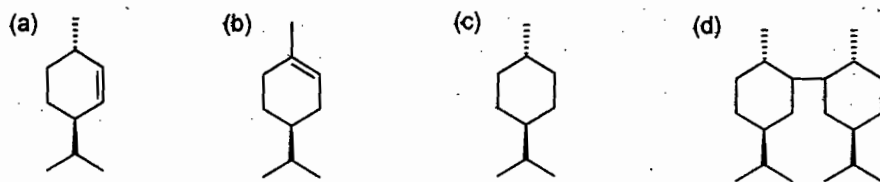


- (a) (b) (c) (d)

54) The major product formed in the following reaction is

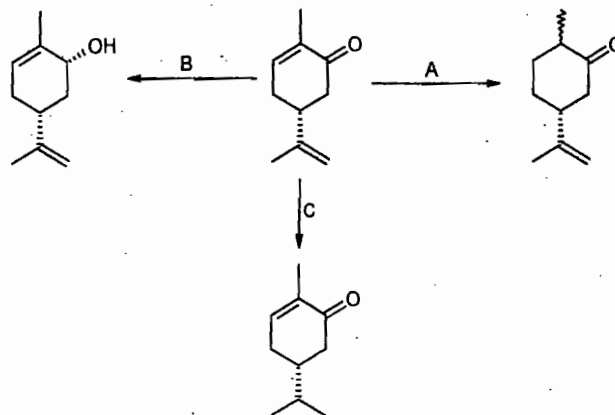
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55) The most suitable reagent combination of A-C, required in the following conversions are

[Dec 2013]



(a) A = Li/liq. NH<sub>3</sub>;

B = NaBH<sub>4</sub>, CeCl<sub>3</sub>·7H<sub>2</sub>O;

C = H<sub>2</sub>, (Ph<sub>3</sub>P)<sub>3</sub>RhCl.

(b) A = Li/liq. NH<sub>3</sub>;

B = NaBH<sub>4</sub>, CeCl<sub>3</sub>·7H<sub>2</sub>O;

C = H<sub>2</sub>, 10% Pd/C.

(c) A = NaBH<sub>4</sub>, CeCl<sub>3</sub>·7H<sub>2</sub>O;

B = Li/liq. NH<sub>3</sub>;

C = H<sub>2</sub>, (Ph<sub>3</sub>P)<sub>3</sub>RhCl.

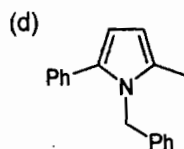
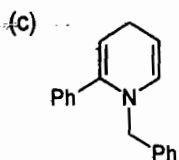
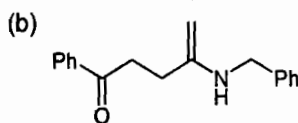
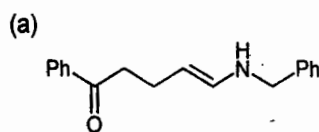
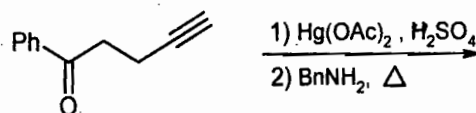
(d) A = NaBH<sub>4</sub>, CeCl<sub>3</sub>·7H<sub>2</sub>O;

B = Li/liq. NH<sub>3</sub>;

C = H<sub>2</sub>, 10% Pd/C

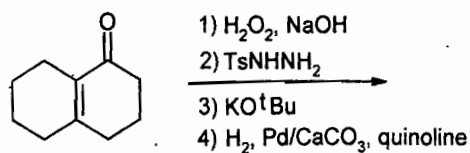
56) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

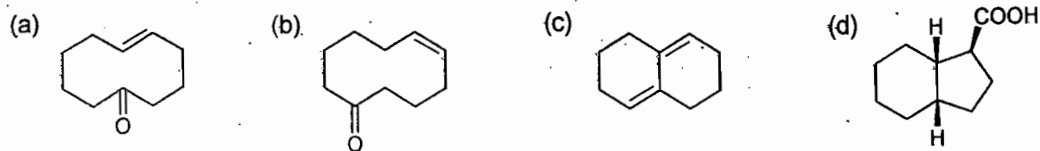
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57) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

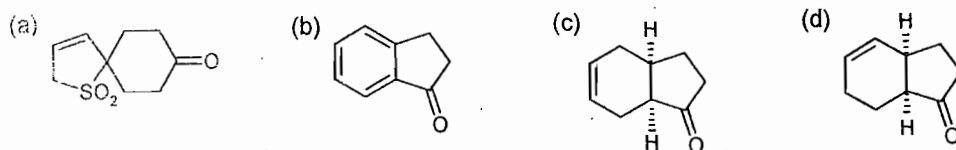
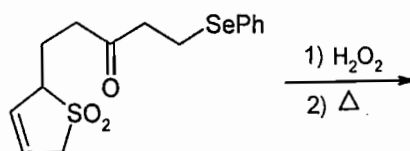
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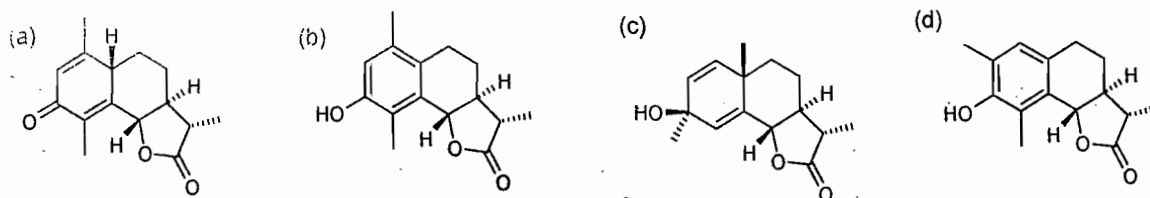
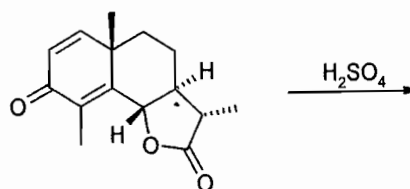
58) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

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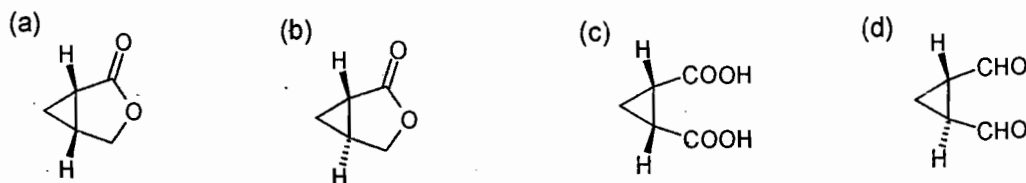
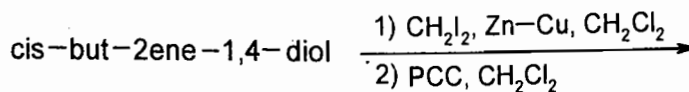
59) The major product formed in the sulfuric acid mediated rearrangement of the sesquiterpene santonin A is

[Dec 2013]



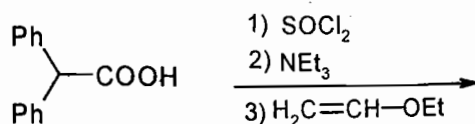
60) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

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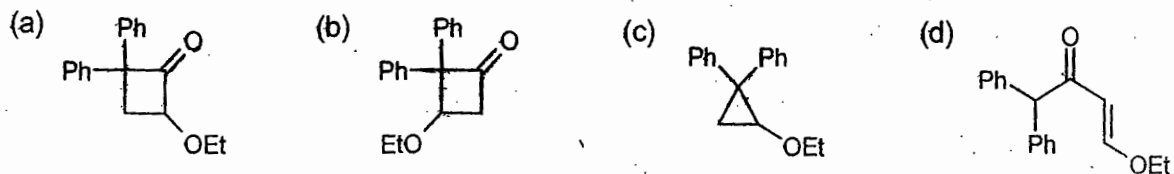


61) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

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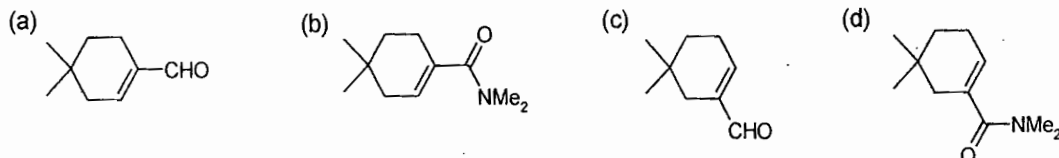
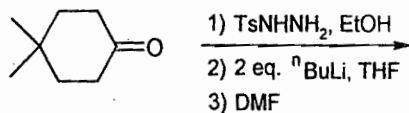






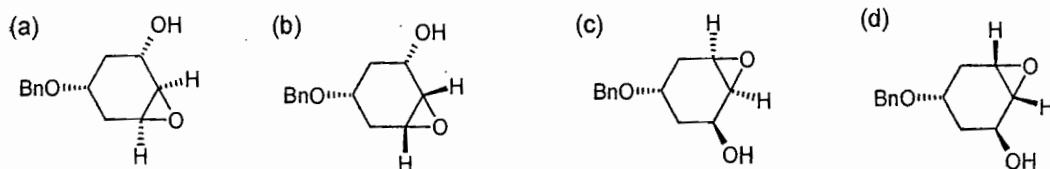
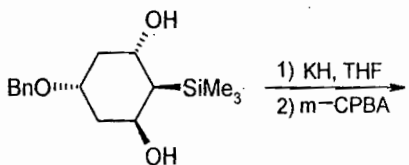
62) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

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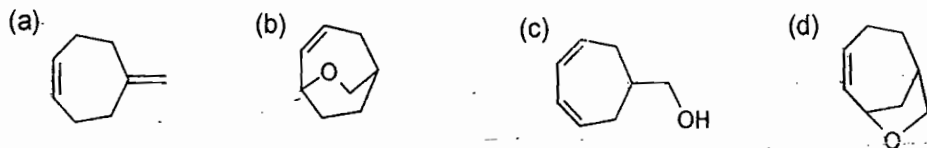
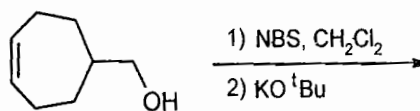
63) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

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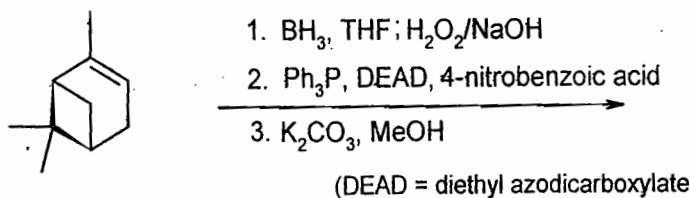
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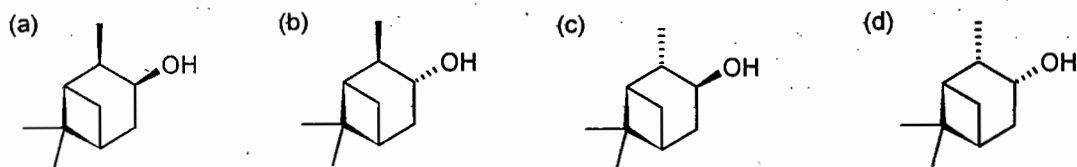
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65) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

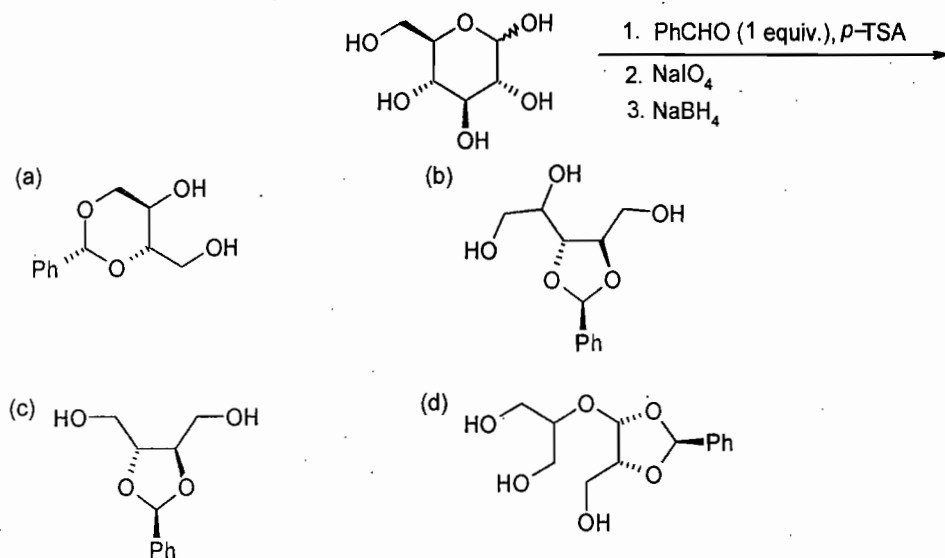
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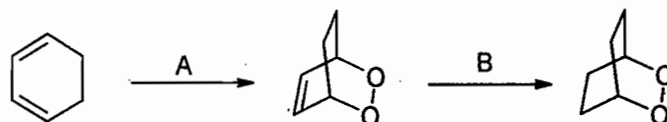
66) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

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67) The correct combination of reagents for effecting the following sequence of reactions is

[June 2014]



- (a) A =  $\text{O}_3/\text{O}_2$ ; B =  $\text{K}^+\text{OOC-N=N-COO}^-\text{K}^+$ , AcOH  
 (b) A =  $\text{O}_2$ , Rose Bengal, hv; B =  $\text{K}^+\text{OOC-N=N-COO}^-\text{K}^+$ , AcOH  
 (c) A =  $\text{O}_2$ , Rose Bengal, hv; B =  $\text{H}_2$ , Pd/C  
 (d) A =  $\text{O}_2$ , Rose Bengal,  $\Delta$ ; B =  $\text{H}_2$ , Pd/C

68) The correct combination of reagents to effect the following conversion is

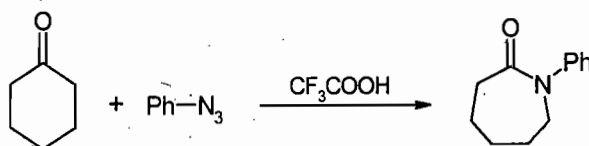
[June 2014]



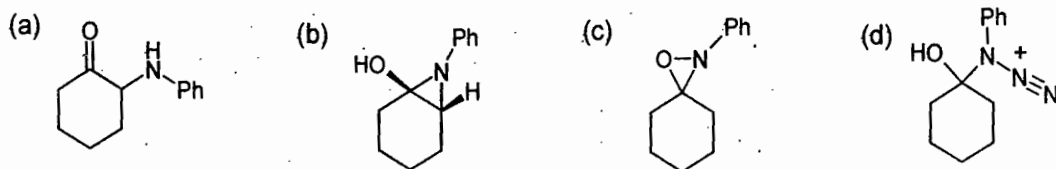
- (a) (1)  $\text{Ph}_3\text{P}^+\text{CH}_2\text{OMeCl}^-$ , BuLi; (2)  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ ; (3) Jones's reagent  
 (b) (1)  $\text{NH}_2\text{NHTs}$ ; (2) 2 eq. BuLi; (3) DMF  
 (c) (1)  $\text{NH}_2\text{NHTs}$ ; (2) 2 eq. BuLi; (3)  $\text{CO}_2$   
 (d) (1)  $\text{ClCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Et}$ , LDA; (2)  $\text{BF}_3/\text{OEt}_2$ ; (3)  $\text{DMSO}, (\text{COCl})_2, \text{Et}_3\text{N}, -78^\circ\text{C}$  to rt

69) Consider the following reaction.

[June 2014]

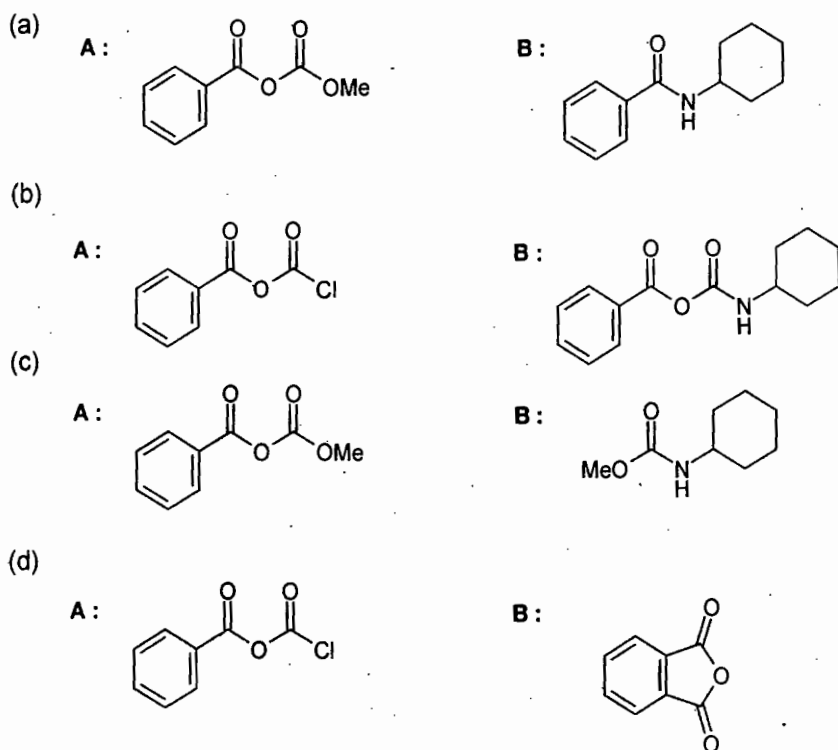
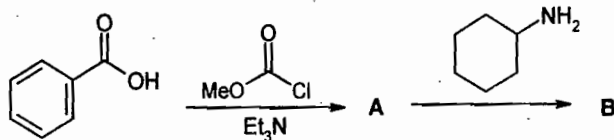


The appropriate intermediate involved in this reaction



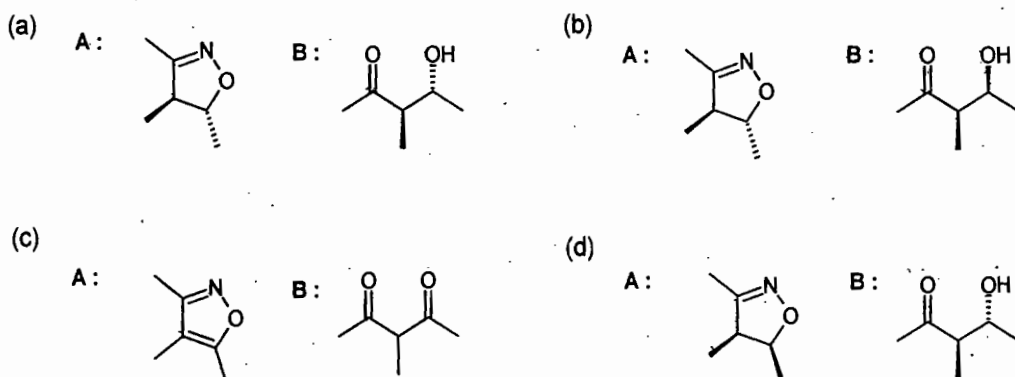
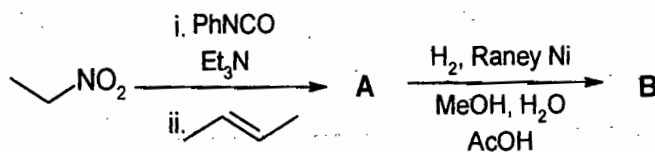
70) The products A and B in the following reaction sequence are

[June 2014]

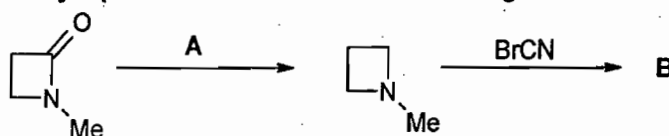


71) The major products A and B in the following reaction sequence are

[June 2014]



72) The reagent A used and the major product B formed in the following reaction sequence are [June 2014]



- (a) A:  $LiAlH_4$  B:
- (b) A:  $LiAlH_4$  B:
- (c) A:  $NaBH_4$  B:
- (d) A:  $H_2 / Pd-C$  B:

73) The correct combination of reagents required to effect the following conversion is [June 2014]



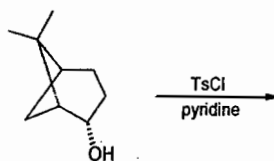
- (a)  $I_2, HNO_3$  (b)  $s-BuLi, -78^\circ C$  followed by  $KI$   
 (c)  $NaOEt$  followed by  $ICH_2CH_2I$  (d)  $s-BuLi, -78^\circ C$  followed by  $ICH_2CH_2I$

74) The correct combination of reagents required to effect the following conversion is [June 2014]



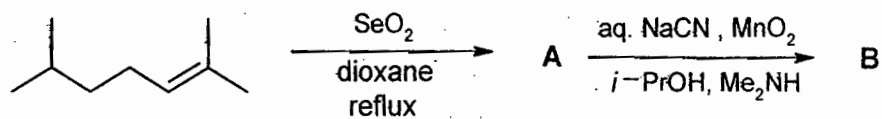
- (a) (1)  $Na, xylene, Me_3SiCl, heat$  (2)  $H_3O^+$   
 (b) (1)  $Na, xylene, heat$  (2)  $H_2O_2, NaOH$   
 (c) (1)  $NaOEt, EtOH$  (2)  $Na, xylene, heat$   
 (d) (1)  $TiCl_3, Zn-Cu, Me_3SiCl, heat$  (2)  $H_3O^+$

75) The major product formed in the following photochemical reaction is [June 2014]



- (a)
- (b)
- (c)
- (d)

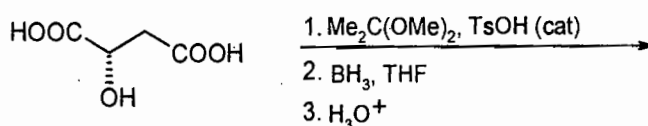
76) The products A & B formed in the following reaction sequence are [June 2014]



- (a) A: B:
- (b) A: B:
- (c) A: B:
- (d) A: B:

77) The major product formed in the following reaction is

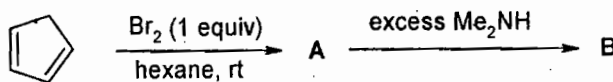
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- (a) (b) (c) (d)

78) The product B in the following reaction sequence is

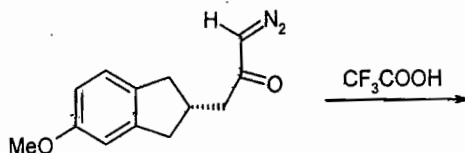
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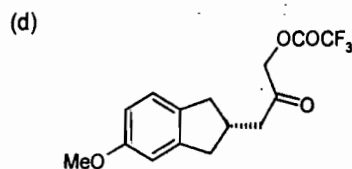
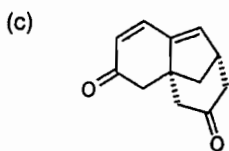
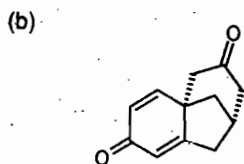
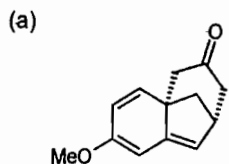


- (a) (b) (c) (d)

79) The major product of the following reaction is

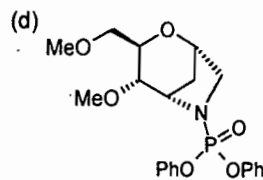
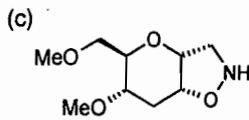
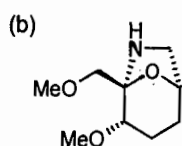
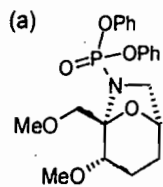
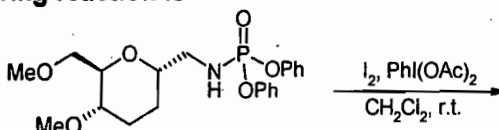
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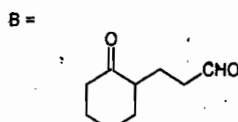
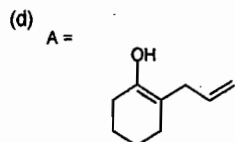
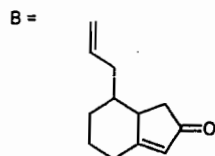
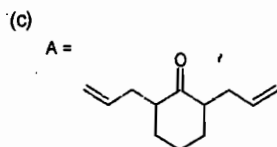
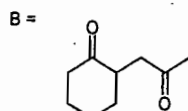
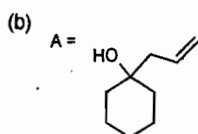
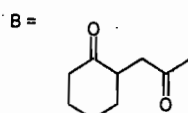
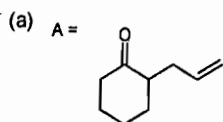
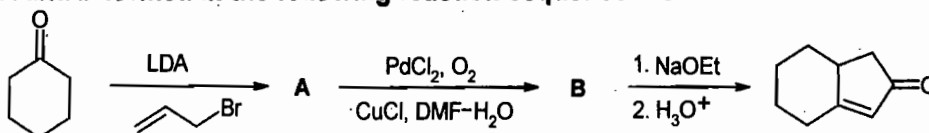
80) The major product of the following reaction is

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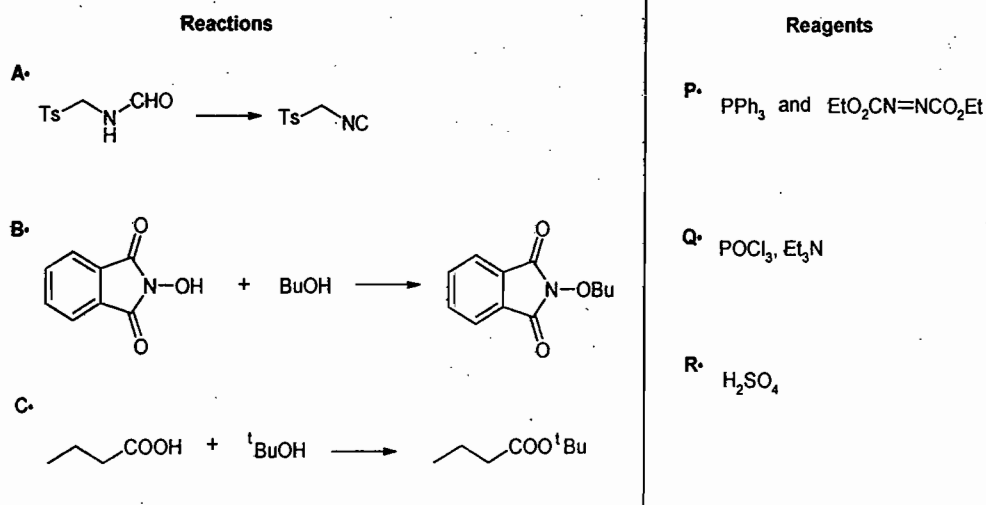
81) The products A and B formed in the following reaction sequence are

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82) The correct combinations of the reactions and the reagents are

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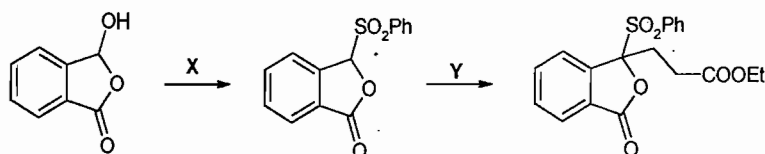
(b) A-Q, B-R, C-P

(c) A-P, B-R, C-Q

(d) A-Q, B-P, C-R

83) In the following reaction sequence, the reagent X and Y are respectively

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 (a) X =  $\text{PhSO}_2\text{H}, \text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$  and Y =  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCOOEt}, \text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ .

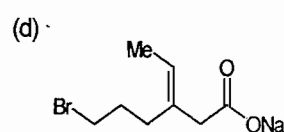
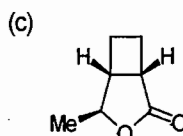
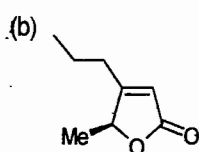
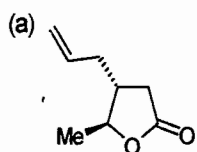
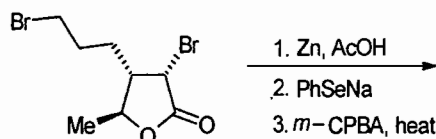
 (b) X = 1.  $\text{PhSH}, \text{PTSA}$ ; 2. *m*-CPBA and Y =  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCOOEt}, \text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ .

 (c) X =  $\text{PhSO}_3\text{H}, \text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$  and Y =  $\text{LDA}, \text{CH}_2=\text{CHCOOEt}$ .

 (d) X = 1.  $\text{PhSH}, \text{PTSA}$ ; 2. *m*-CPBA and Y =  $\text{LDA}, \text{CH}_2=\text{CHCOOEt}$ 

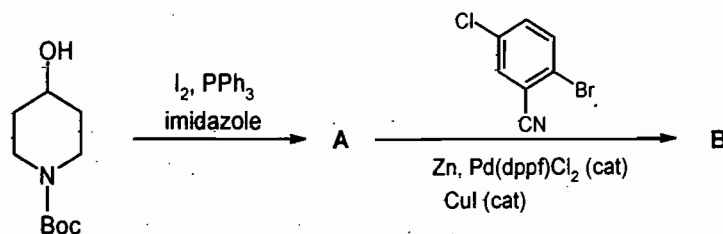
84) The major product of the following reaction is

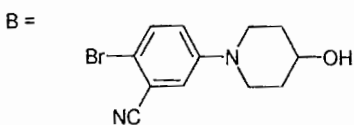
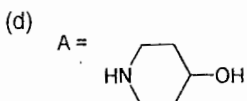
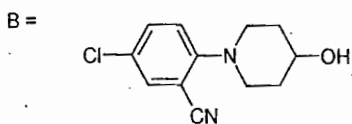
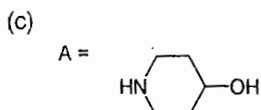
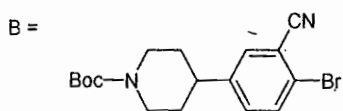
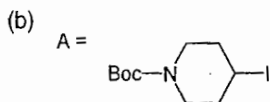
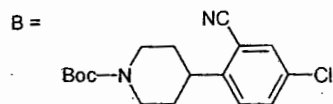
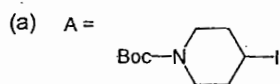
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85) In the following reaction sequence, the structure of A and B are respectively

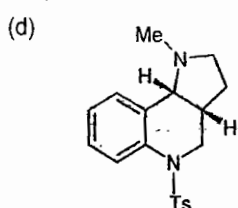
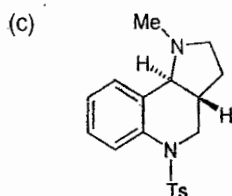
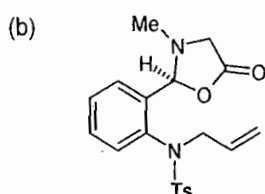
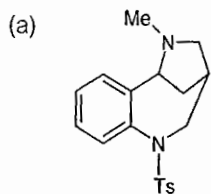
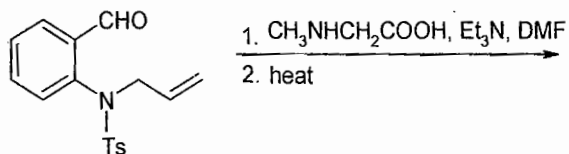
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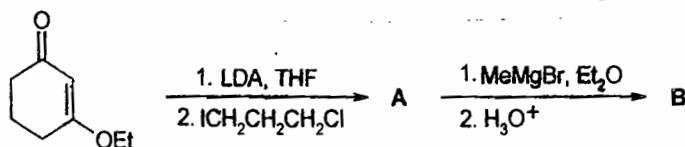
86) The major product of the following reaction is

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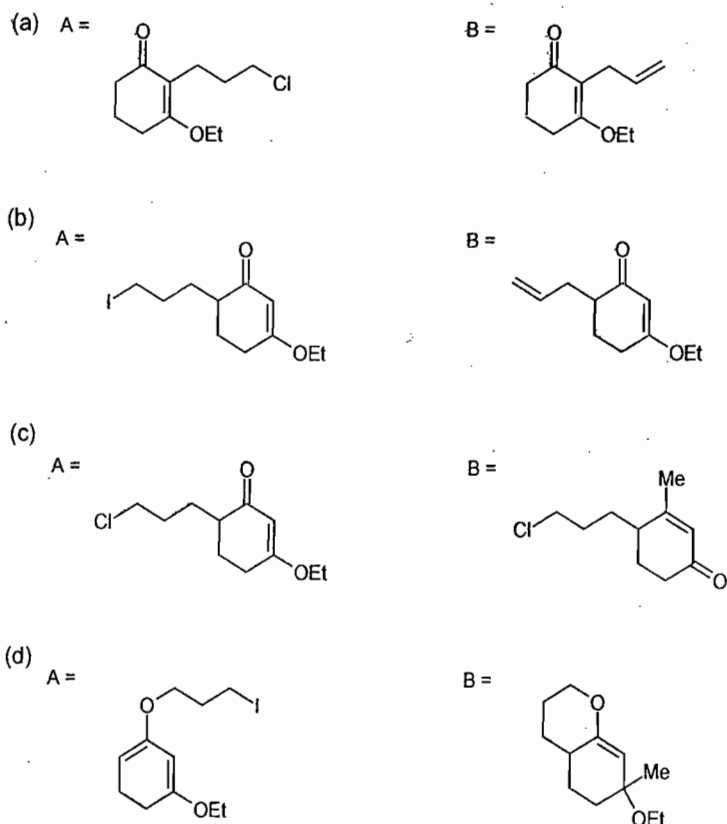


17) The major products A and B formed in the following reaction sequence are

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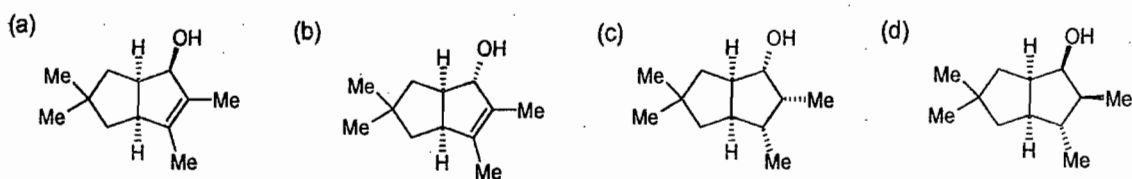
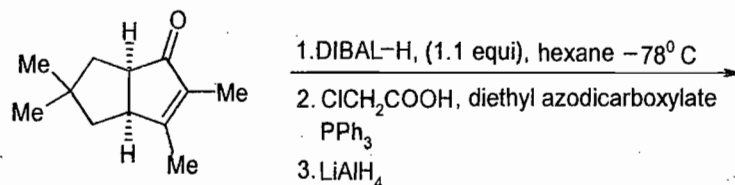






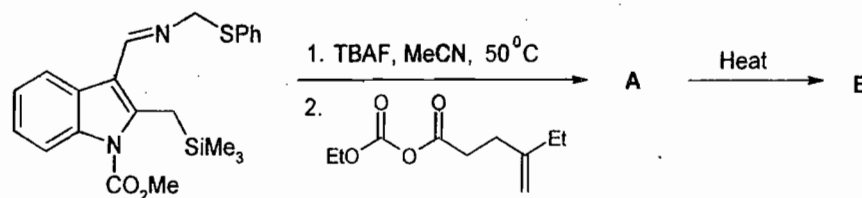
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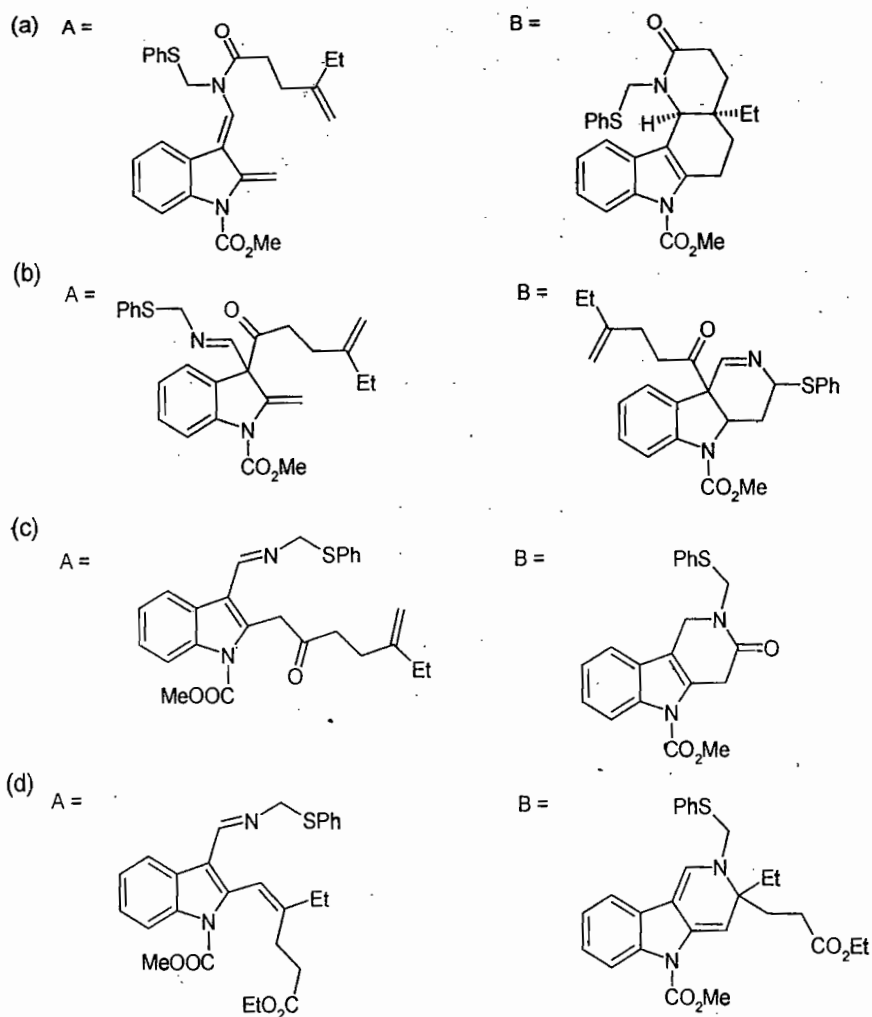
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89) The product A and B in the following reaction sequence are

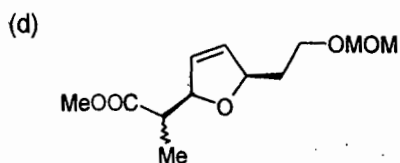
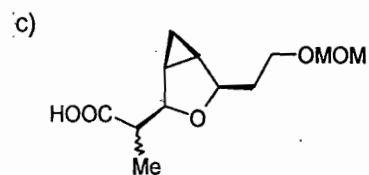
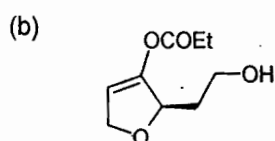
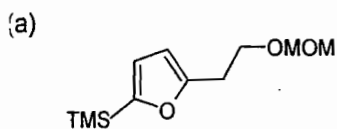
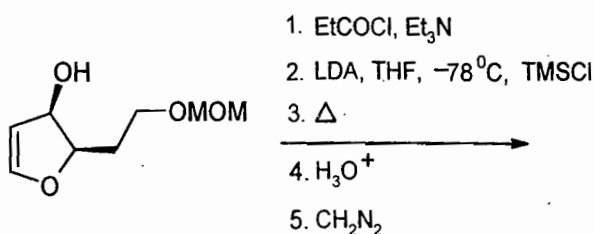
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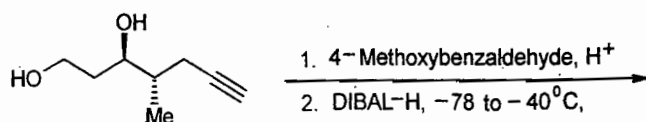
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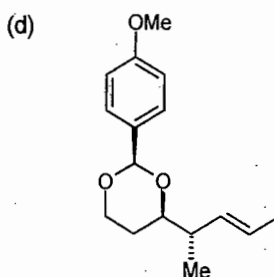
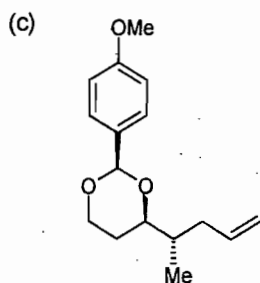
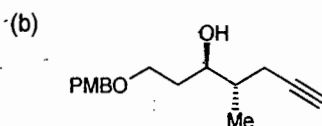
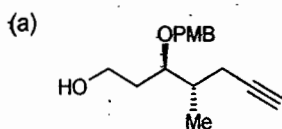
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The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

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92) The correct combinations of the following reactions and their  $\rho$  values is

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| Entry | Reactions  | Entry | $\rho$ value |
|-------|--|-------|--------------|
| A     | $\text{ArNH}_2 + \text{PhCOCl}$<br>in benzene            | P     | + 2.01       |
| B     | $\text{ArO}^- + \text{EtI}$<br>in ethanol                | Q     | - 0.99       |
| C     | $\text{ArCO}_2\text{Et} + \text{aq. NaOH}$<br>in ethanol | R     | - 2.69       |
|       |  | S     | + 0.78       |

(a) A-P; B-R; C-P

(b) A-R; B-Q; C-P

(c) A-R; B-P; C-Q

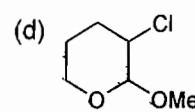
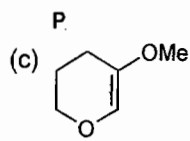
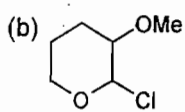
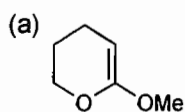
(d) A-Q; B-R; C-S

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Questions with ONE OR TWO marks

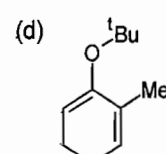
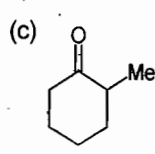
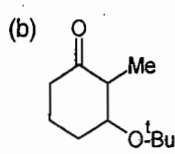
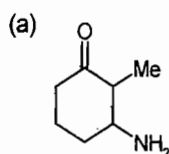
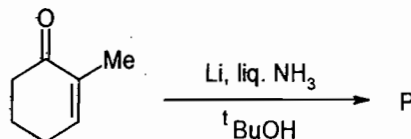
1) The compound formed on methanolysis of P is

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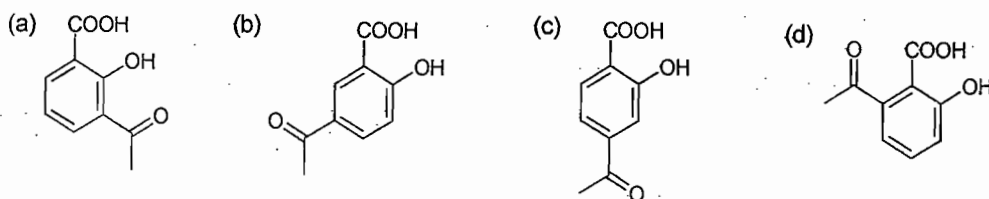
2) The major product P of the given reactions is

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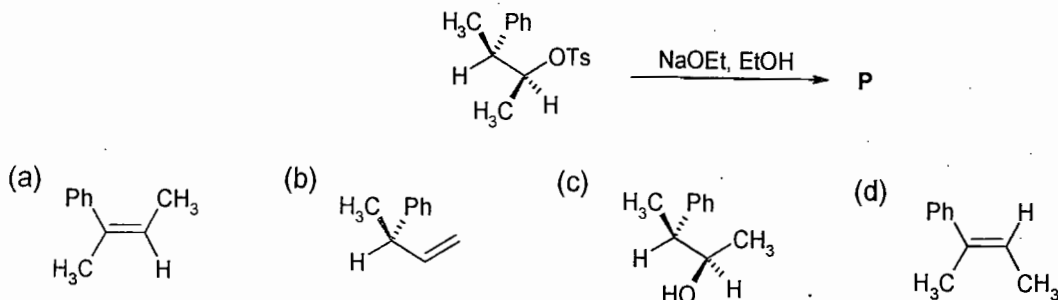
3) The major product of acetylation of salicylic acid with  $\text{Ac}_2\text{O}/\text{H}^+$  followed by heating with anhydrous  $\text{AlCl}_3$  is

(GATE 2005)



4) The major product P of the given reaction is

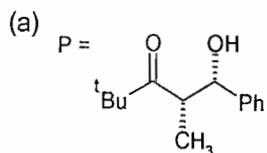
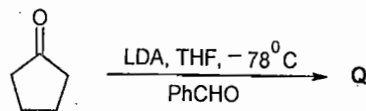
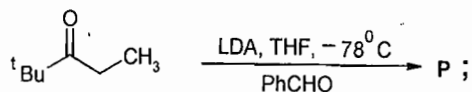
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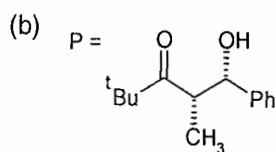
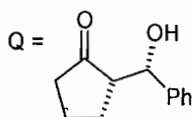
5) In the following reactions identify the correct combination of their major products P and Q

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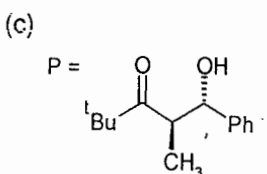
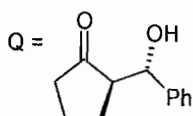
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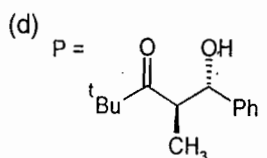
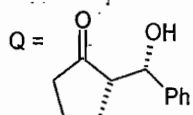
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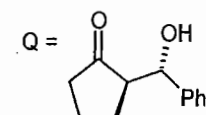
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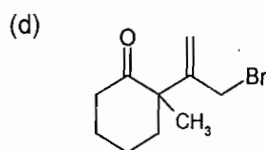
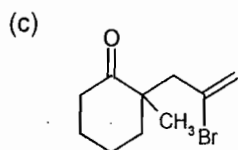
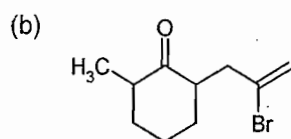
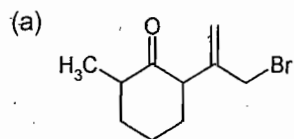
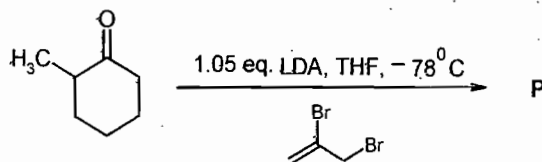


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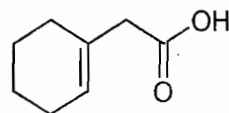
6) The major product P formed in the following reaction is

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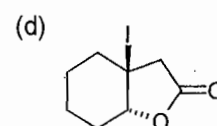
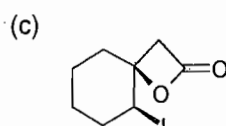
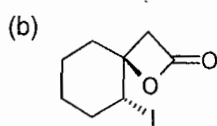
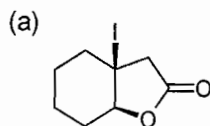


7) Iodo-lactonization of  $\beta,\gamma$  unsaturated carboxylic acid X with  $I_2$  and  $NaHCO_3$  gives

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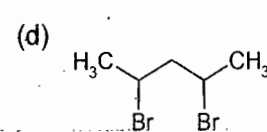
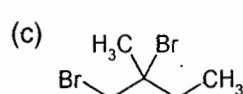
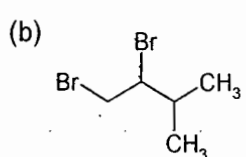
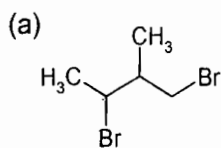
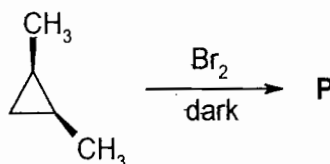


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8) The major product P of the following reaction is

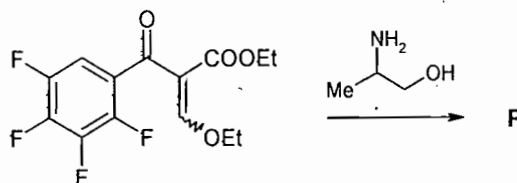
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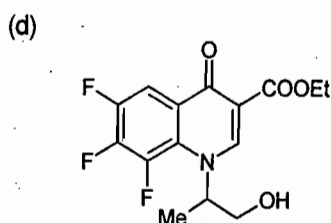
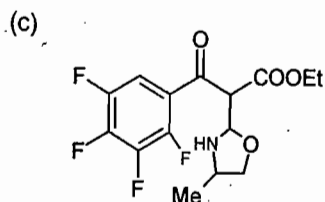
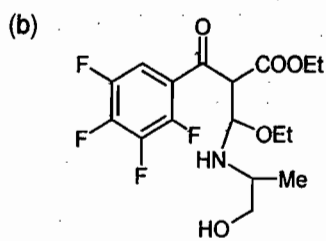
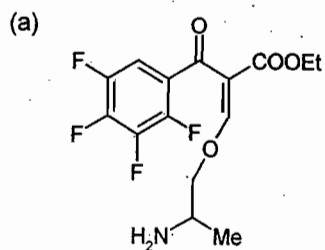


Linked answer questions 9 & 10

9) The major product P of the following of reaction is

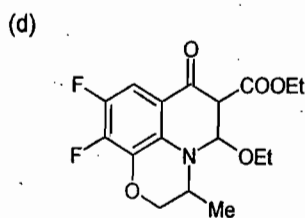
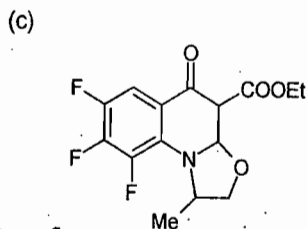
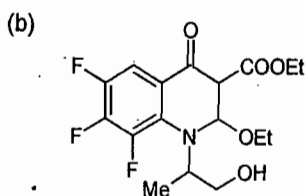
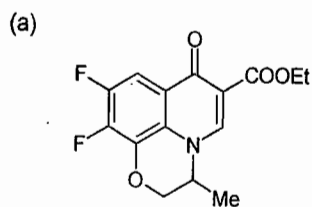
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10) The major compound Q obtained on reaction of P with NaH in DMF

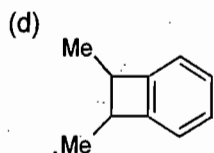
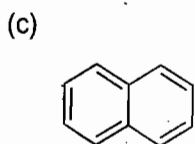
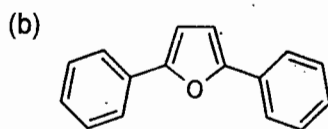
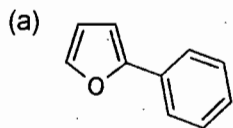
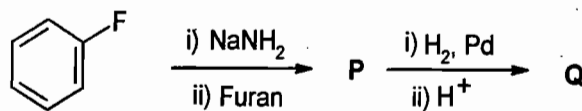
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Linked answer questions 11 & 12

11) In the following sequence of reactions, the major product Q is

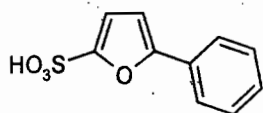
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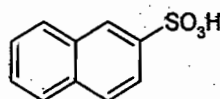
12) The major product on sulphonation of Q with  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  at  $160^\circ\text{C}$  is

(GATE 2005)

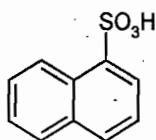
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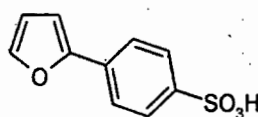
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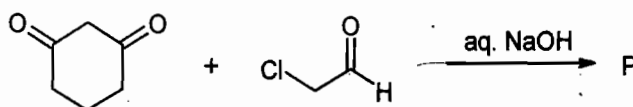


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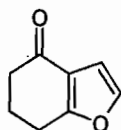


13) Identify the major product P in the following reaction

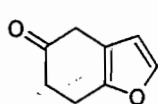
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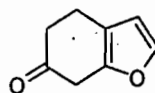
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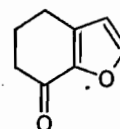
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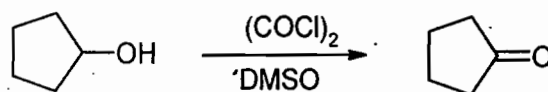


(d)



14) Which of the statement is correct about the mechanism of the following reaction?

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(a) DMSO reacts with the alcohol initially to give  $\text{Cyclopentyl-O-S}^+(\text{Me})_2$ , which reacts with  $(\text{COCl})_2$

(b)  $(\text{COCl})_2$  reacts with the alcohol initially to give  $\text{Cyclopentyl-Cl}$ , which reacts with DMSO

(c) DMSO reacts with  $(\text{COCl})_2$  initially to give  $\text{Cl-S}^+(\text{Me})_2$ , which reacts with the alcohol

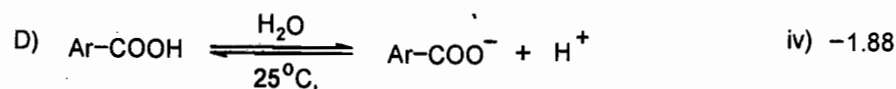
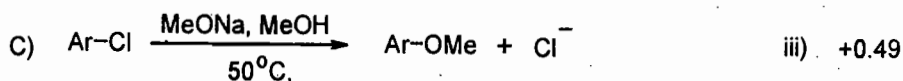
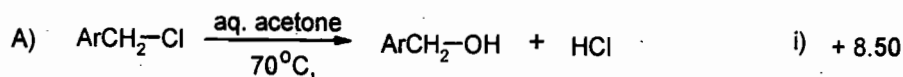
(d)  $(\text{COCl})_2$  reacts with DMSO initially to give  $\text{Cl-O-S}^+(\text{Me})_2$ , which reacts with the alcohol

15) Match the reaction of some *p*-substituted benzene derivatives A-D given in List I with the Hammett's  $\rho$ -values (i) - (iv) in list II and identify the correct match

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List- I

List- II



(a) (A-i), (B-iv), (C-iii), (D-ii)

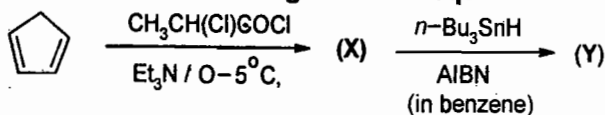
(b) (A-iv), (B-i), (C-ii), (D-iii)

(c) (A-i), (B-ii), (C-iv), (D-iii)

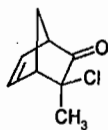
(d) (A-iv), (B-iii), (C-i), (D-ii)

16) The major products X and Y formed in the following reaction sequence are

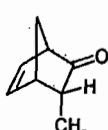
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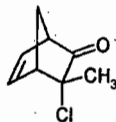
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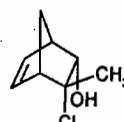
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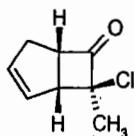
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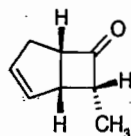
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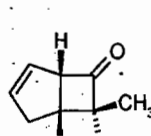
(c) X =



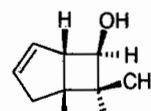
Y =



(d) X =

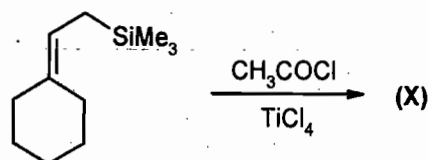


Y =

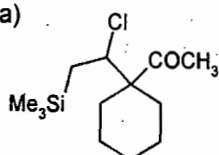


17) Identify the major product (X) in the following reaction

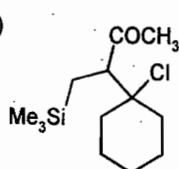
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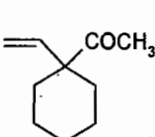
(a)



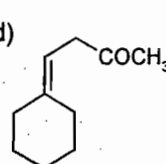
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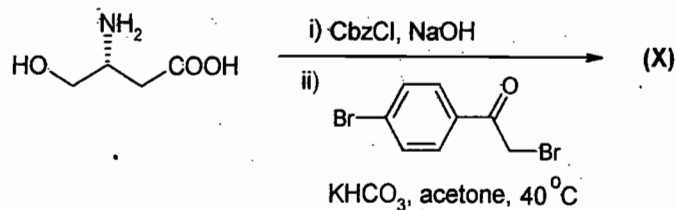
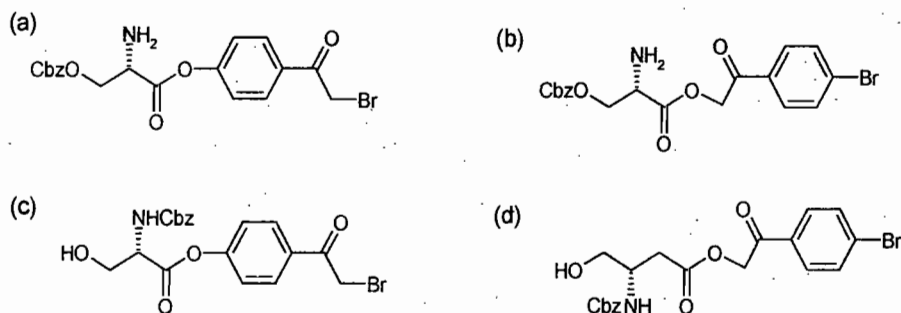
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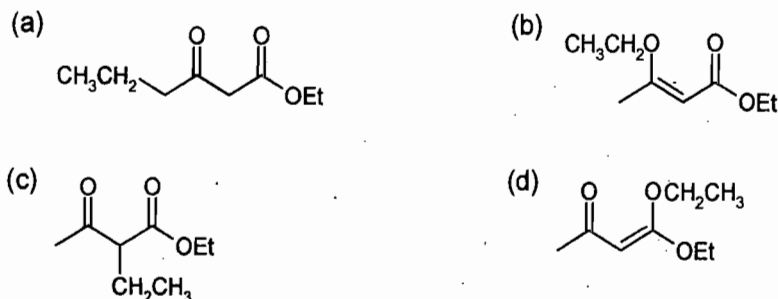
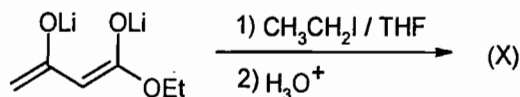
18) Identify the major product (X) in the following reaction

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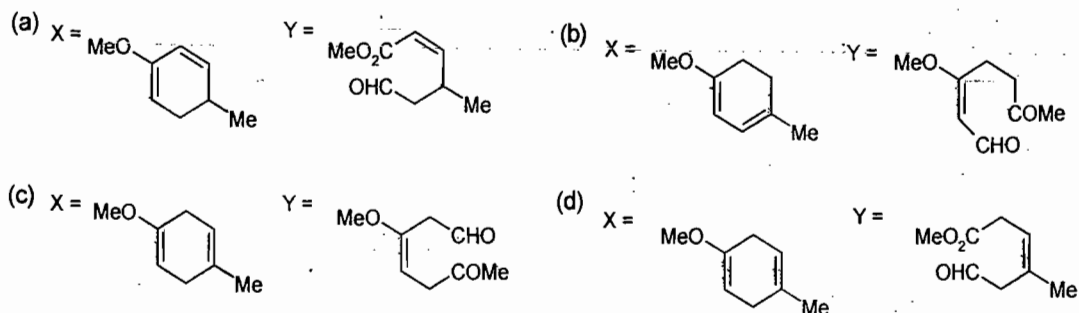
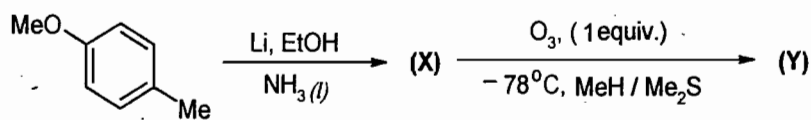

 CbzCl is  $\text{PhCH}_2\text{OCOCI}$ 


19) Identify the major product (X) in the following reaction

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Linked answer questions 20 & 21

20) The major products X and Y formed in the following reaction sequence are (GATE 2006)

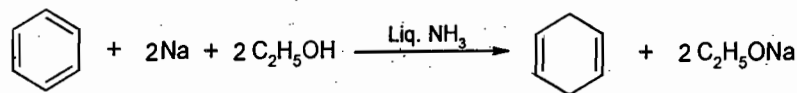


21) The reagent for selective reduction of an aldehyde group in Y obtained in above reaction is (GATE 2006)

- (a)  $\text{H}_2, (\text{Ph}_3\text{P})_3\text{RhCl}$ 
 (b)  $(\text{H}_3\text{C})_2\text{CHCH}_2\text{AlH}$
- (c)  $\text{Na}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{COO})_3\text{BH}$ 
 (d)  $\text{LiAlH}_4$

22) The reaction is an example of a

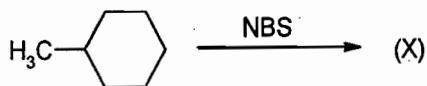
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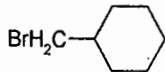
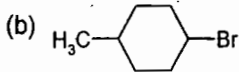
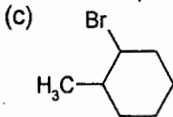
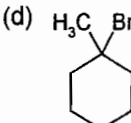


- (a) Birch reduction  
(b) Clemmenson reduction  
(c) Wolff-Kishner reduction  
(d) hydride reduction

23) The major product (X) of the monobromination reaction is

(GATE 2007)



- (a)  (b)  (c)  (d) 

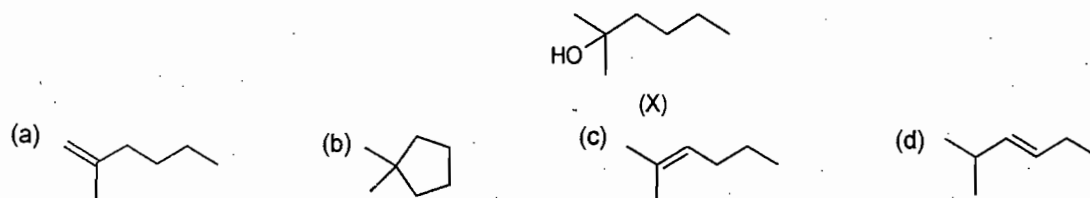
24) Benzene cannot be iodinated with  $\text{I}_2$  directly. However, in presence of oxidants such as  $\text{HNO}_3$ , iodination is possible. The electrophile formed in this case is

(GATE 2007)

- (a)  $[\text{I}^+]$  (b)  $[\text{I}^\cdot]$  (c)  $[\text{I}^{\delta+} \cdots \text{OH}_2^{\delta+}]^+$  (d)  $[\text{I}^{\delta+} \cdots \text{OH}_2^{\delta-}]^+$

25) The major product obtained upon treatment of compound X with  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  at  $80^\circ\text{C}$  is

(GATE 2007)

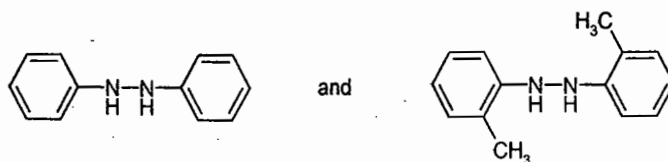
26) Classify the following species as electrophiles (E) and nucleophiles (N) in routine organic synthesis  $\text{SO}_3$ ,  $\text{Cl}^+$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2$ ,  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ ,  $\text{BH}_3$ ,  $\text{CN}^-$ 

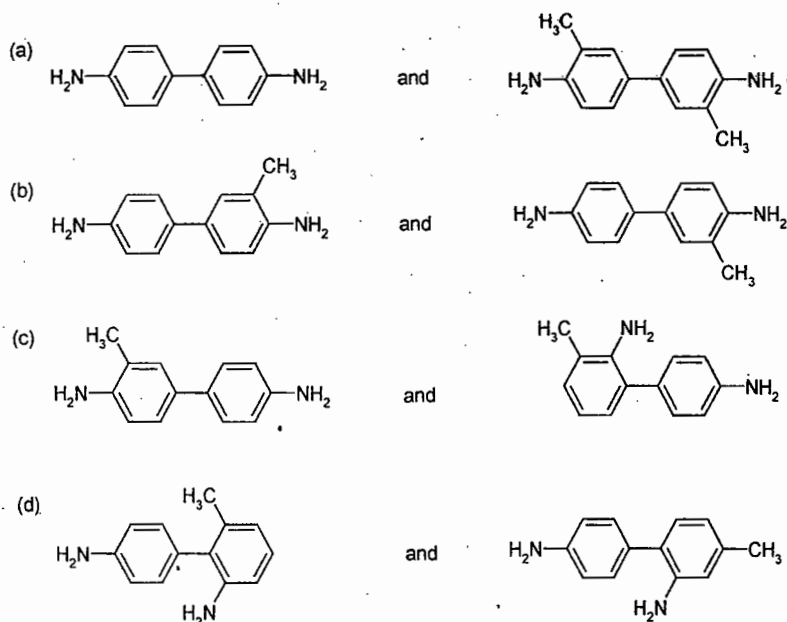
(GATE 2007)

- (a) E =  $\text{SO}_3$ ,  $\text{Cl}^+$ ,  $\text{BH}_3$ ; N =  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2$ ,  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ ,  $\text{CN}^-$   
 (b) E =  $\text{Cl}^+$ ,  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ ; N =  $\text{SO}_3$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2$ ,  $\text{BH}_3$ ,  $\text{CN}^-$   
 (c) E =  $\text{Cl}^+$ ,  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ ,  $\text{BH}_3$ ; N =  $\text{SO}_3$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2$ ,  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ ,  $\text{CN}^-$   
 (d) E =  $\text{SO}_3$ ,  $\text{Cl}^+$ ,  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ ,  $\text{BH}_3$ ; N =  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2$ ,  $\text{CN}^-$

27) The major products obtained upon treating a mixture of with a strongly acidic solution of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  is

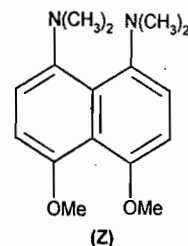
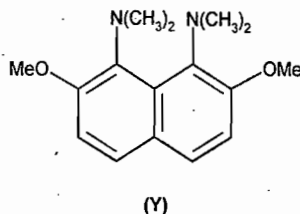
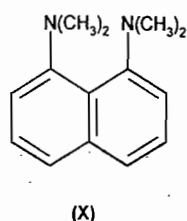
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28) The increasing order of basicity among the following is

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(a)  $Y < X < Z$

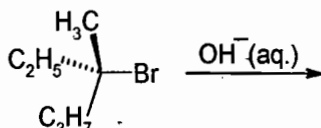
(b)  $Y < Z < X$

(c)  $X < Z < Y$

(d)  $X < Y < Z$

29) In the reaction if the concentration of both the reactants is doubled, then the rate of the reaction will

(GATE 2007)



(a) remain unchanged

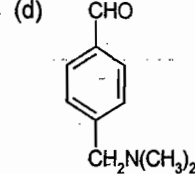
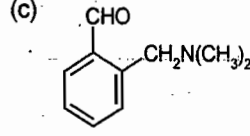
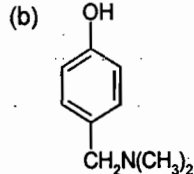
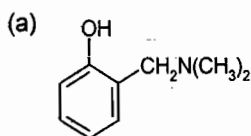
(b) quadruple

(c) reduce to one fourth

(d) double

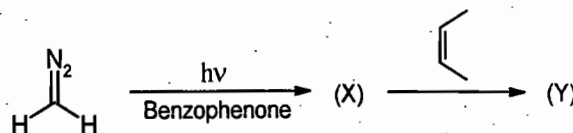
30) Phenol on reaction with formaldehyde and dimethyl amine mainly gives

(GATE 2007)



31) In the following reaction (X) and (Y) respectively are

(GATE 2007)



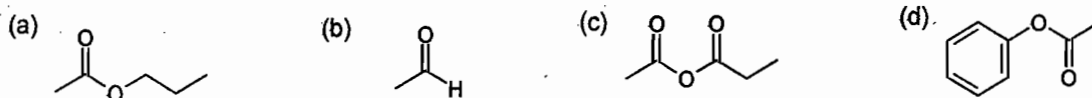
(a)  $^1\text{CH}_2$  and cis 1,2 dimethylcyclopropane

(b)  $^3\text{CH}_2$  and cis 1,2 dimethylcyclopropane

(c)  $^1\text{CH}_2$  and a mixture of cis / trans 1,2 dimethylcyclopropane

(d)  $^3\text{CH}_2$  and a mixture of cis / trans 1,2 dimethylcyclopropane

32) The compound which on reacting with aniline will NOT form an acetanilide is (GATE 2007)



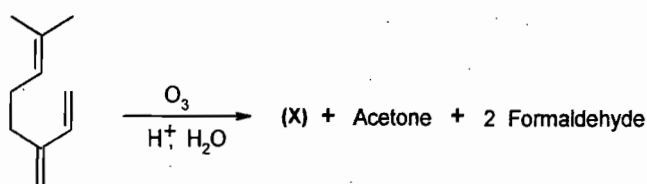
33) Aniline can be distinguished from methylamine by its reaction with (GATE 2007)

- (a) p-toluene sulphonyl chloride / KOH (b) (i)  $\text{NaNO}_2/\text{HCl}, 0-5^\circ\text{C}$  ii) alkaline  $\beta$  naphthol  
(c) Sn / HCl (d) acetyl chloride

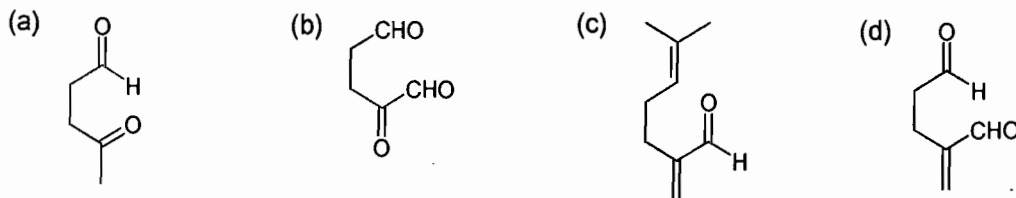
**Linked answer questions 34 & 35**

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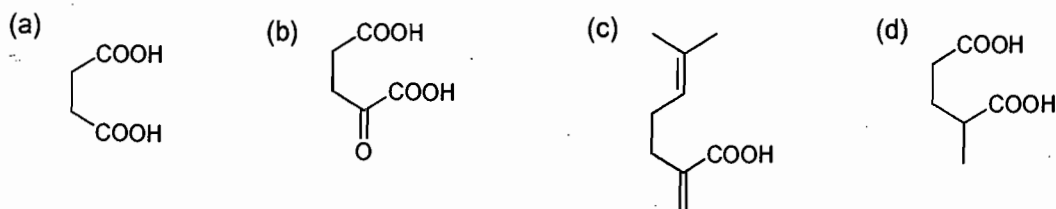
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34) Compound (X) is

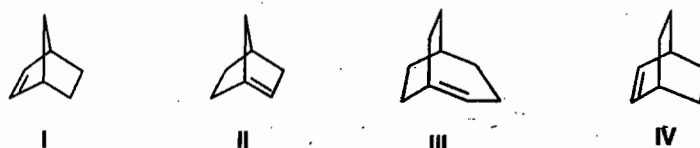


35) Oxidation of X with chromic acid chiefly gives



36) The order of stability for the following cyclic olefins is

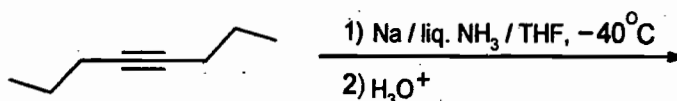
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- (a) I < II < III < IV (b) II < III < IV < I (c) II < III < I < IV (d) IV < II < I < III

37) The major product of the following reaction is

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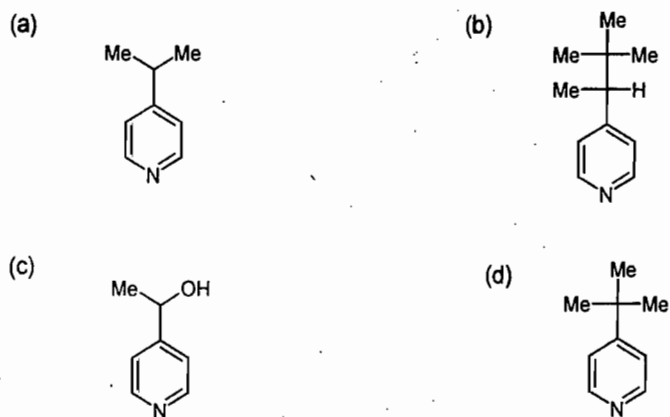
38) In the carbylamine reaction, R-X is converted to R-Y via the intermediate Z. R-X, R-Y and Z, respectively, are

(GATE 2008)

- (a) R-NH<sub>2</sub>, R-NC, carbene  
 (b) R-NH<sub>2</sub>, R-NC, nitrene  
 (c) R-NC, R-NH<sub>2</sub>, carbene  
 (d) R-OH, R-NC, nitrene

39) The compound that is NOT oxidized by KMnO<sub>4</sub> is

(GATE 2008)



40) The Hammett reaction constant  $\rho$  is based on

(GATE 2008)

- (a) the rates of alkaline hydrolysis of substituted ethyl benzoates  
 (b) the dissociation constants of substituted acetic acids  
 (c) the dissociation constants of substituted benzoic acids  
 (d) the dissociation constants of substituted phenols

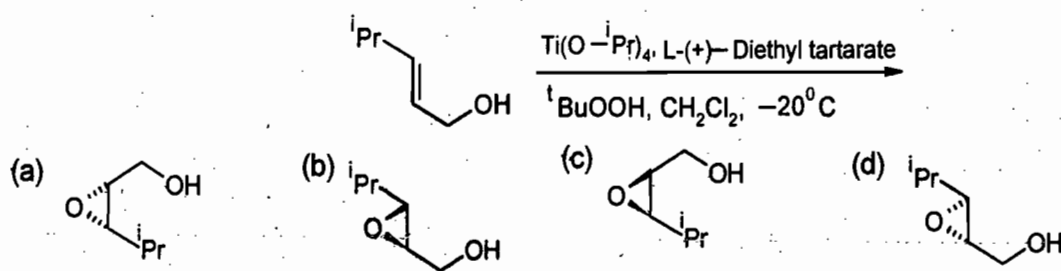
41) Schrock carbenes are

(GATE 2008)

- (a) triplets and nucleophilic  
 (b) triplets and electrophilic  
 (c) singlets and nucleophilic  
 (d) singlets and electrophilic

42) The major product of the following reaction is

(GATE 2008)



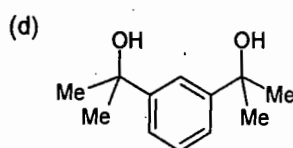
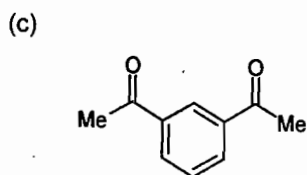
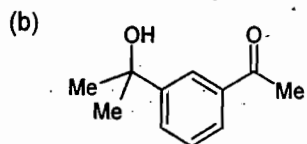
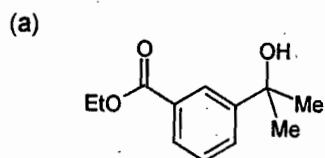
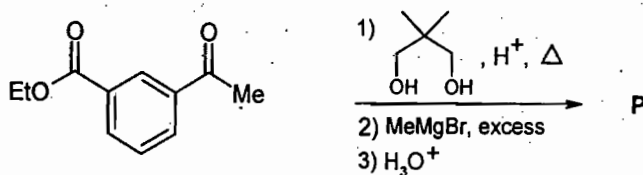
43) o-Bromophenol is readily prepared from phenol using the following conditions

(GATE 2008)

- (a) i) (CH<sub>3</sub>CO)<sub>2</sub>O; ii) Br<sub>2</sub> iii) HCl-H<sub>2</sub>O,  $\Delta$   
 (b) i) H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, 100°C ii) Br<sub>2</sub> iii) H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>, 100°C  
 (c) N-Bromosuccinimide, dibenzoyl peroxide, CCl<sub>4</sub>,  $\Delta$   
 (d) Br<sub>2</sub>/FeBr<sub>3</sub>

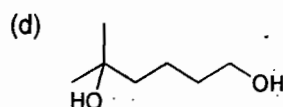
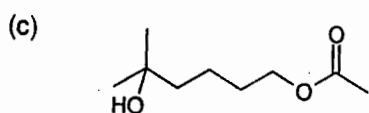
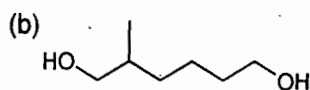
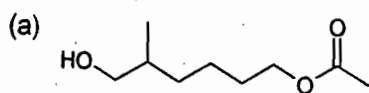
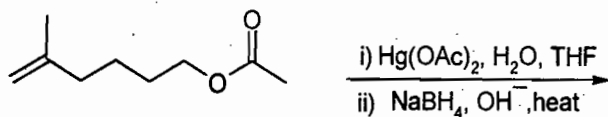
44) The major product P of the following reactions is

(GATE 2008)



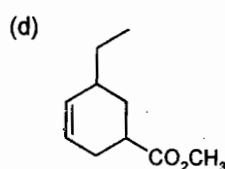
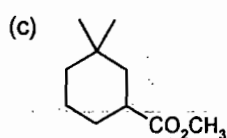
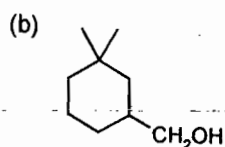
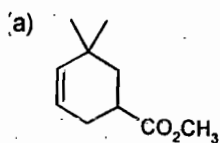
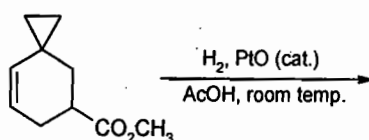
5) The major product of the following reactions is

(GATE 2008)



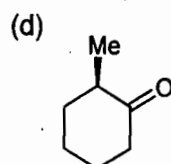
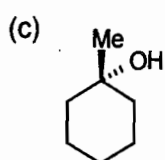
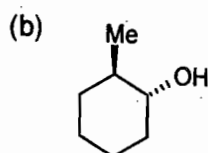
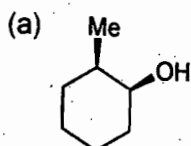
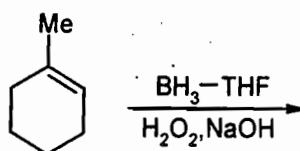
i) The major product of the following reaction is

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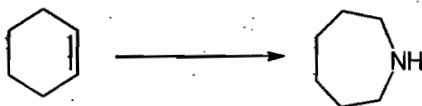


) The major product of the following reactions is

(GATE 2008)



48) The most appropriate sequence of reactions for carrying out the following transformation is (GATE 2008)

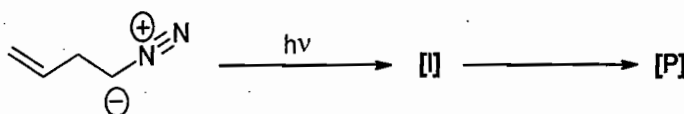


- (a) i)  $O_3/H_2O_2$ ; ii) excess  $SOCl_2$ /pyridine; iii) excess  $NH_3$ ; iv)  $LiAlH_4$ ,  
 (b) i)  $O_3/Me_2S$ ; ii) excess  $SOCl_2$ /pyridine; iii)  $LiAlH_4$ ; iv) excess  $NH_3$ ,  
 (c) i)  $O_3/H_2O_2$ ; ii) excess  $SOCl_2$ /pyridine; iii)  $LiAlH_4$ ; iv) excess  $NH_3$ ,  
 (d) i)  $O_3/Me_2S$ ; ii) excess  $SOCl_2$ /pyridine; iii) excess  $NH_3$ ; iv)  $LiAlH_4$ .

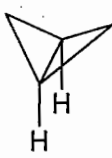
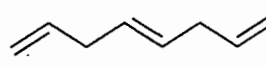
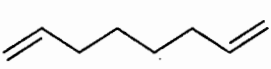
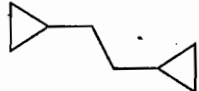
Linked answer questions 49 & 50

In the following reaction, (Linked que.)

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49) The reactive intermediate I and the product P are

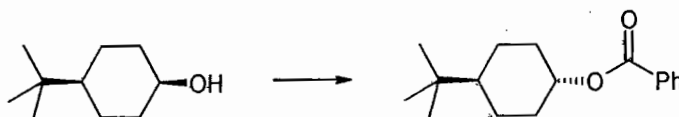
- (a) carbene and   
 (b) radical and   
 (c) carbene and   
 (d) radical and 

50) The product P shows 'm' and 'n' number of signals in  $^1H$  and  $^{13}C$  NMR spectra, respectively. The values of 'm' and 'n' are

- (a)  $m = 3$  and  $n = 2$       (b)  $m = 2$  and  $n = 3$       (c)  $m = 2$  and  $n = 2$       (d)  $m = 4$  and  $n = 3$

51) The most suitable reagent combination to bring out the following transformation

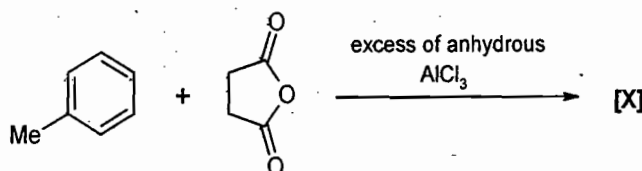
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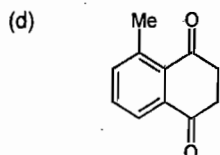
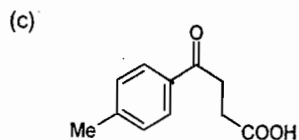
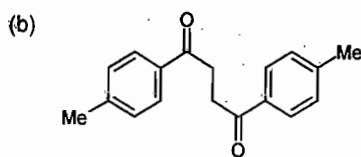
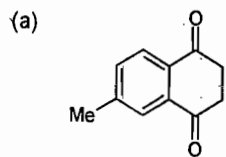


- (a)  $PhCOCl$  and pyridine      (b) DCC and  $PhCOOH$   
 (c)  $PhBr$ ,  $CO$  and  $Pd(PPh_3)_4$       (d)  $EtOOC-N=N-COOEt$ ,  $PPh_3$  and  $PhCOOH$

52) In the reaction the major product X is

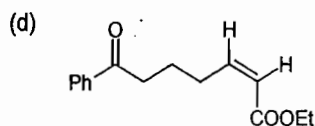
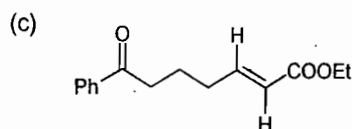
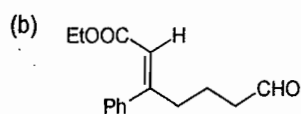
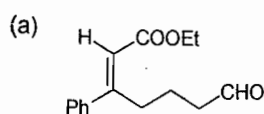
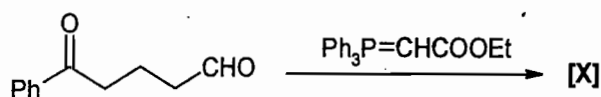
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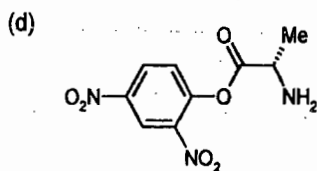
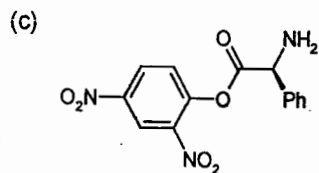
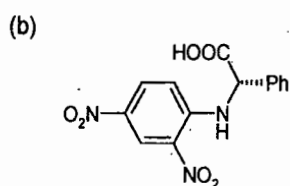
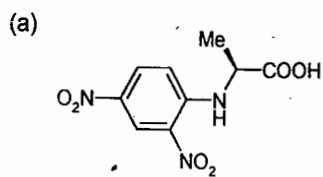
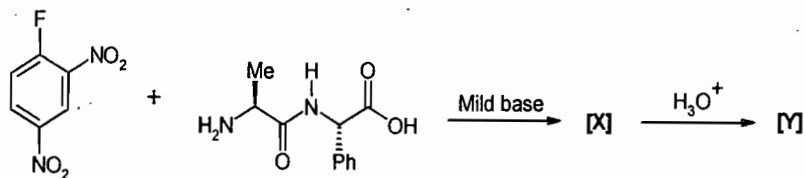
53) In the reaction the major product X is

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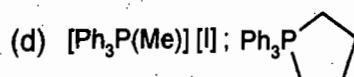
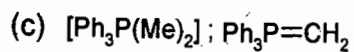
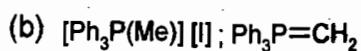
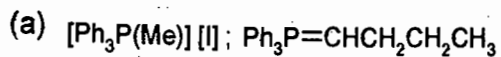
54) In the two steps reaction sequence the major product Y is

[GATE 2009]



55) In the reaction the compounds X and Y, respectively, are

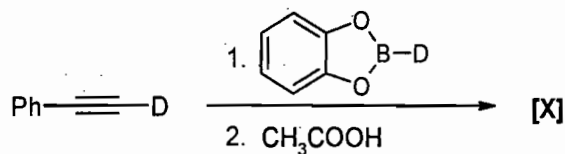
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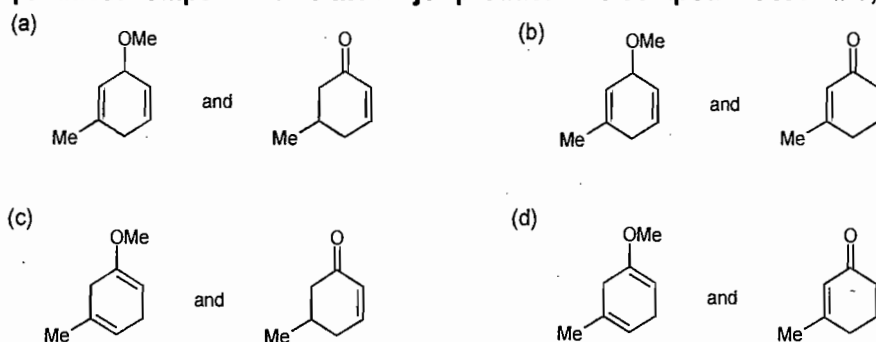


56) In the reaction the major product X is

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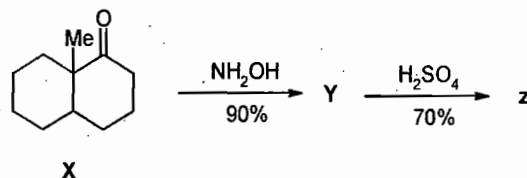

 57) Reaction of *m*-methylanisole with lithium in liquid ammonia and *t*-butyl alcohol at  $-33^\circ\text{C}$  generates compound X as the major product. Treatment of the compound X with dilute sulphuric acid produces compound Y as the major product. The compounds X and Y, respectively, are

[GATE 2009]

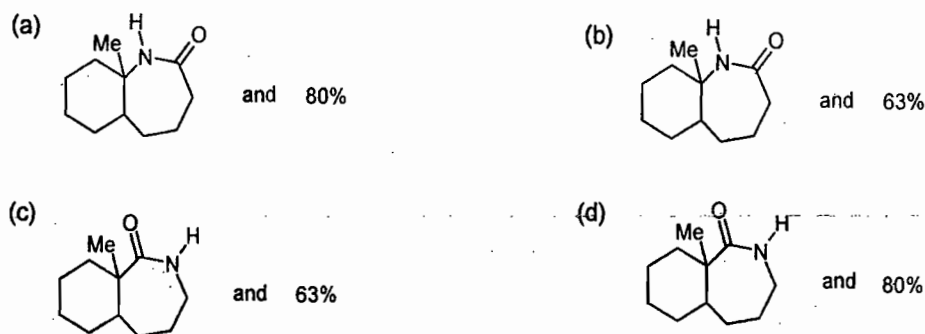


58) In the reaction sequence

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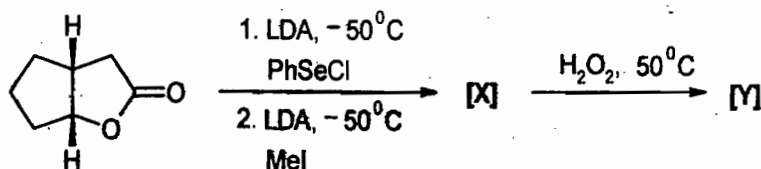


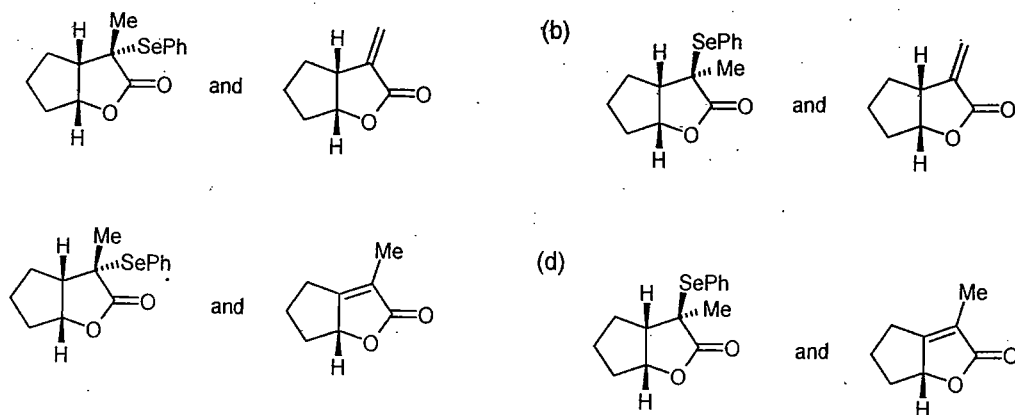
the structure of the major product Z and the overall yield for its formation from the ketone X, are



59) In the reaction sequence the major products X and Y, respectively, are

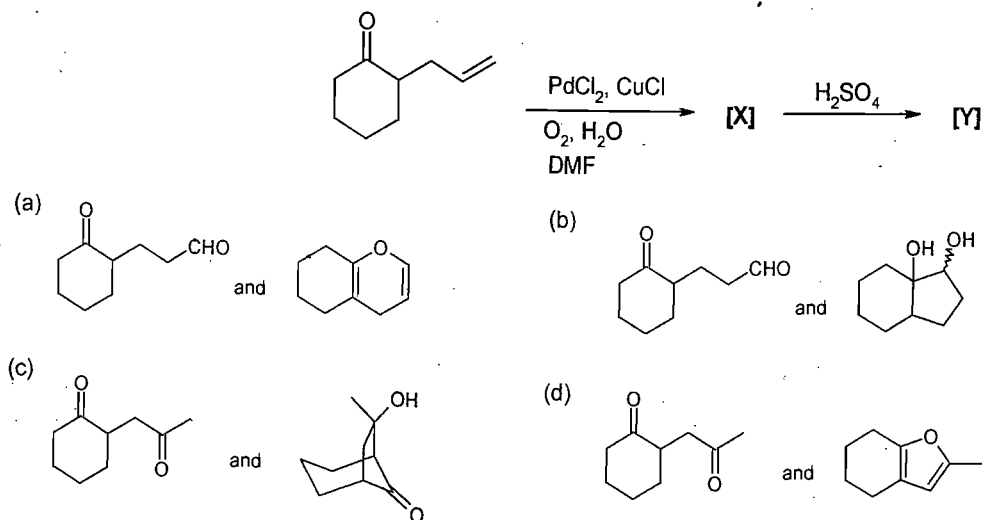
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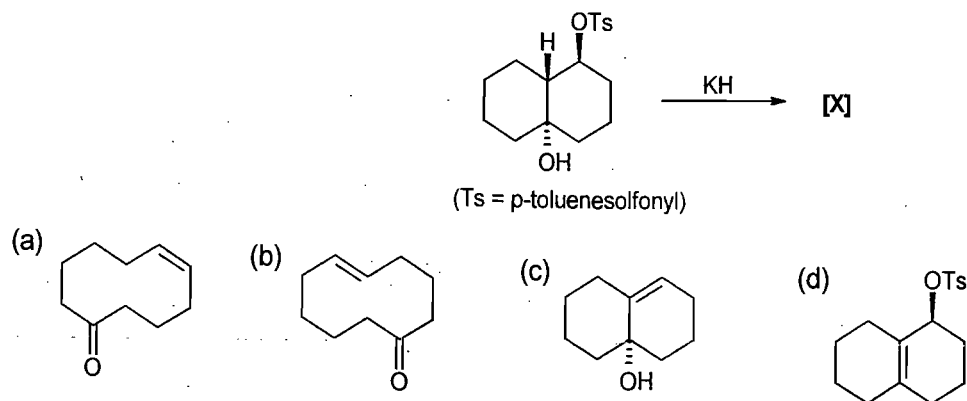
In the reaction sequence the major products X and Y, respectively, are

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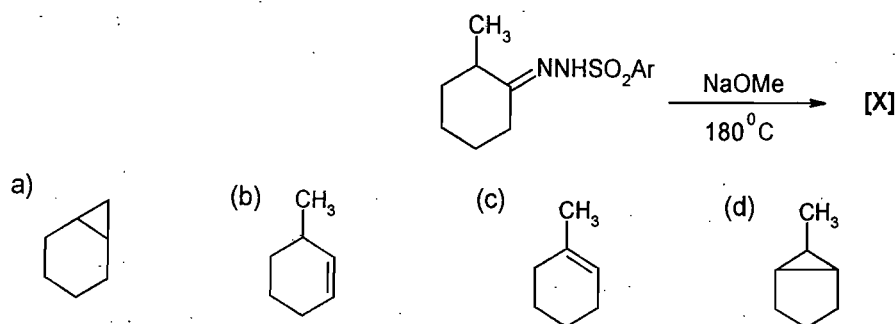
The major product X (based on the preferred conformation) in the reaction is

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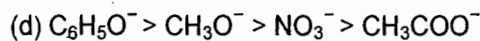
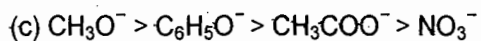
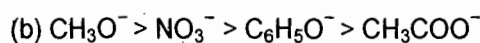
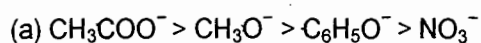
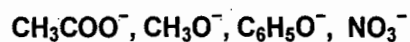
In the following reaction the major product [X] is

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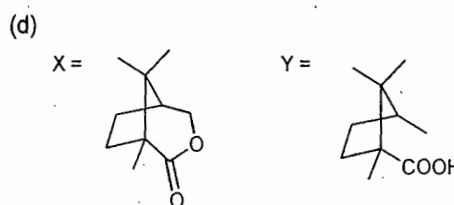
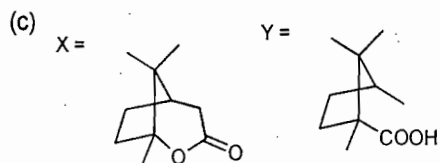
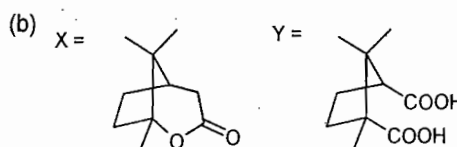
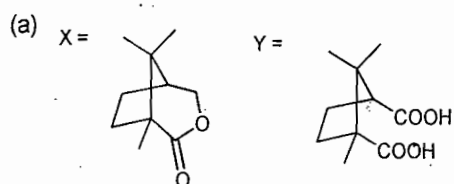
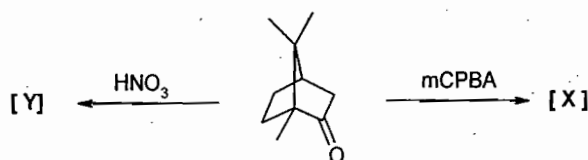
63) The decreasing order of nucleophilicity for the following anions is

[GATE 2010]



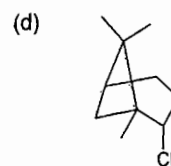
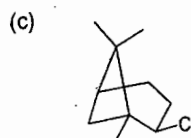
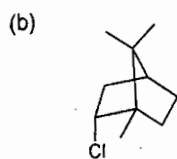
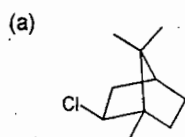
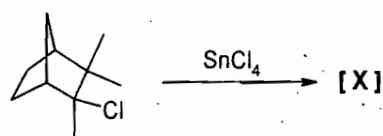
64) The major products X and Y formed in the following reaction sequence are

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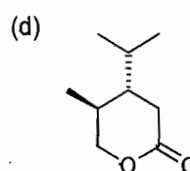
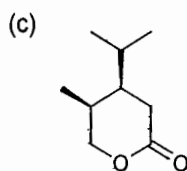
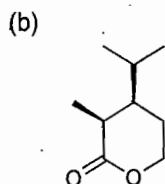
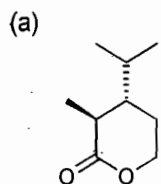
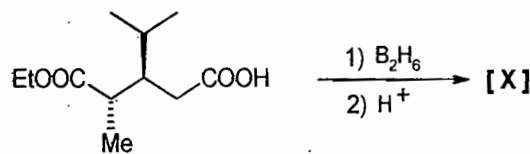
65) In the following reaction the major product [X] is

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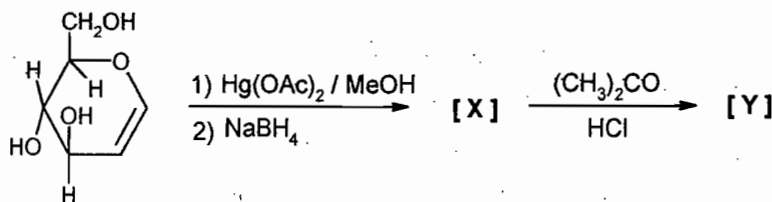
66) In the following reaction the major product [X] is

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7) The major products X and Y formed in the following reaction sequence are

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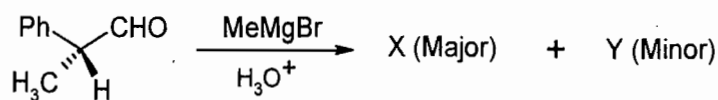


- 1) and (b) and
- 2) and (d) and

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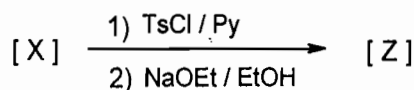
8) The major product X formed in the following reaction is

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- (a) X = (b) X = (c) X = (d) X =

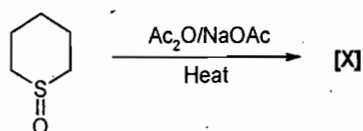
9) The compound [Z] is



- (a) Z = (b) Z = (c) Z = (d) Z =

10) In the following reaction the major product [X] is

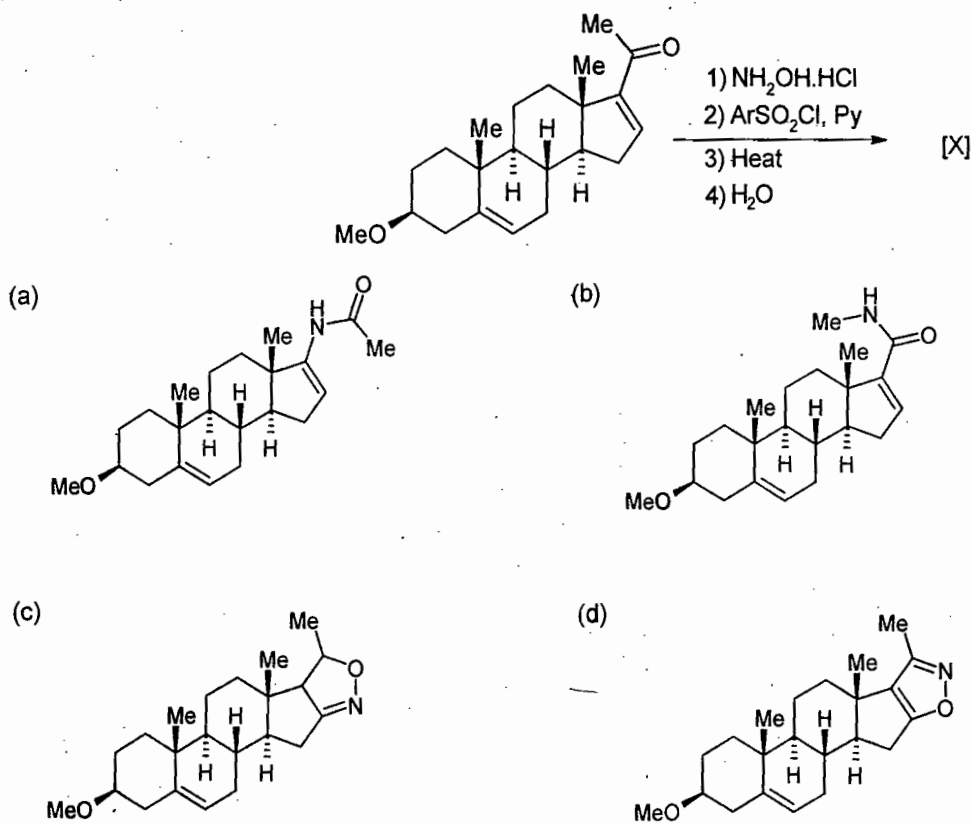
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- (a) (b) (c) (d)

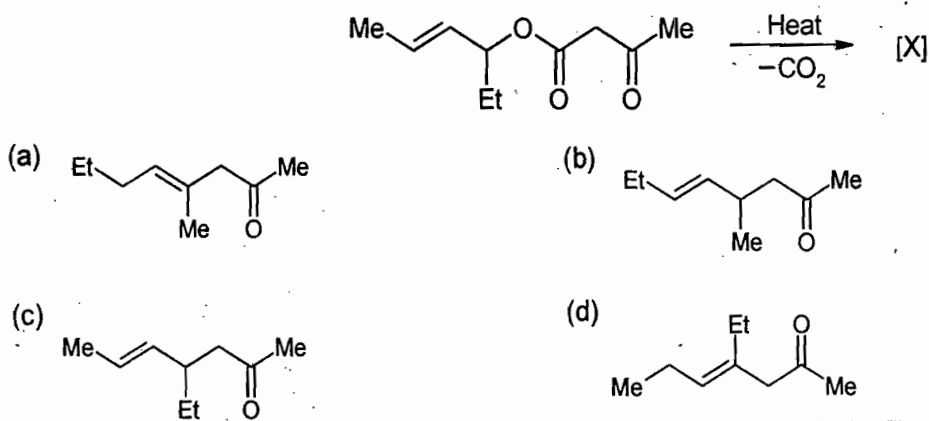
71) In the following reaction sequence the major product [X] is

(GATE 2011)



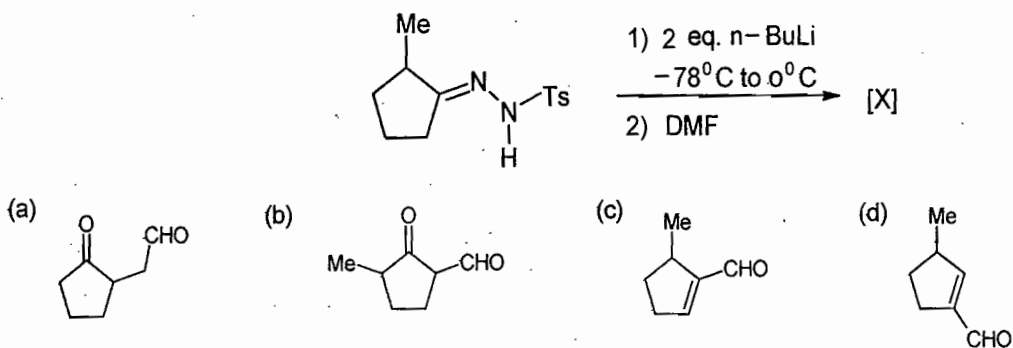
72) In the following reaction the major product [X] is

(GATE 2011)



73) In the following reaction the major product [X] is

(GATE 2011)

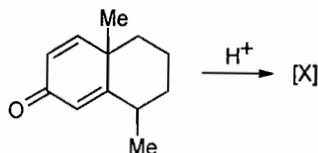


74) The most appropriate sequence of reactions for carrying out the following conversion is (GATE 2011)



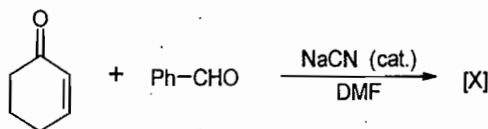
- (a) (i) Peracid; (ii)  $H^+$ ; (iii) Zn / dil. HCl  
 (b) (i) Alkaline  $KMnO_4$ ; (ii)  $NaIO_4$ ; (iii)  $N_2H_4$  / KOH  
 (c) (i) Alkaline  $KMnO_4$ ; (ii)  $H^+$ ; (iii) Zn / dil. HCl  
 (d) (i)  $O_3$  /  $Me_2S$ ; (ii)  $NaOEt$ ; (iii)  $N_2H_4$  / KOH

75) In the following reaction the major product [X] is (GATE 2011)



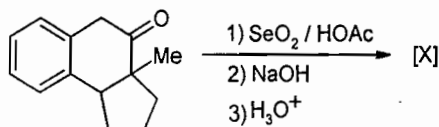
- (a) (b) (c) (d)

76) In the following reaction the major product [X] is (GATE 2011)



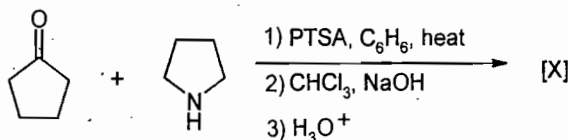
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77) In the following reaction the major product [X] is (GATE 2011)



- (a) (b) (c) (d)

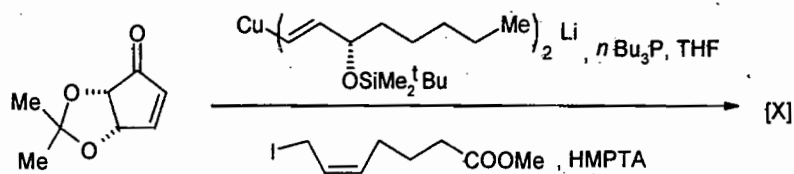
78) In the following reaction the major product [X] is (GATE 2011)



- (a) (b) (c) (d)

79) In the reaction the major product [X] is

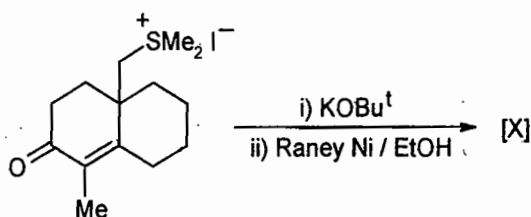
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- (a)
- (b)
- (c)
- (d)

80) In the reaction the major product [X] is

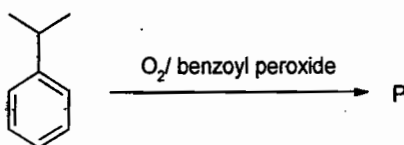
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- (a)
- (b)
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- (d)

81) Identify the most probable product in the given reaction

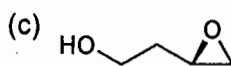
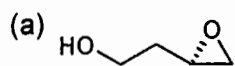
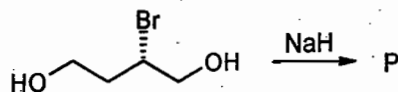
[GATE 2012]



- (a)
- (b)
- (c)
- (d)

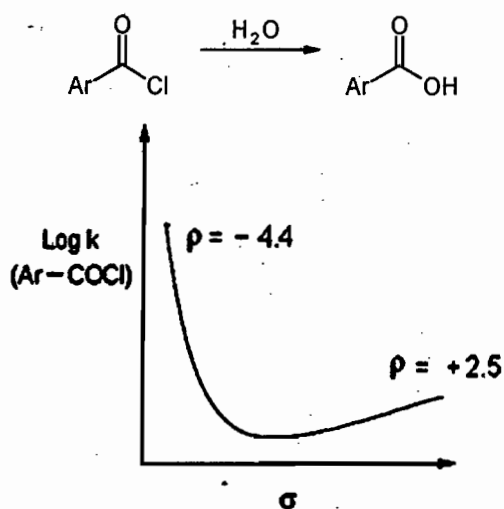
82) In the cyclization reaction given below, the most probable product formed is

[GATE 2012]



83) Shown below is a Hammett plot obtained for the reaction

[GATE 2012]

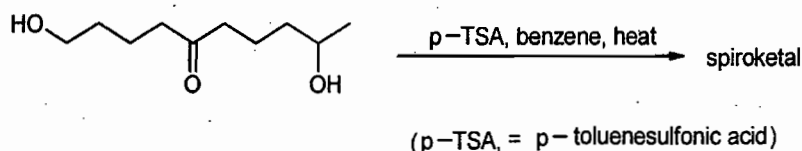


The change in slope of the plot indicates that

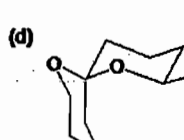
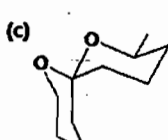
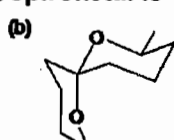
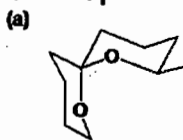
- (a) the reaction does not follow linear free energy relationship  
 (b) electrons are being withdrawn from the transition state in the mechanism  
 (c) electrons are being donated to the transition state in the mechanism  
 (d) the mechanism of the reaction is changing

84) The acid catalyzed cyclization of 5-ketodecan-1,9-diol is given below

[GATE 2012]

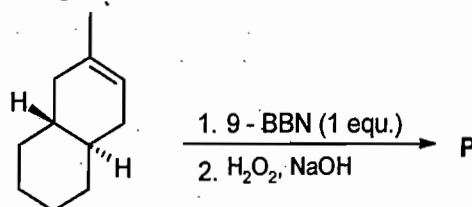


The most predominant spiroketal is



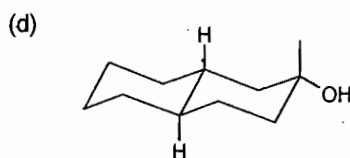
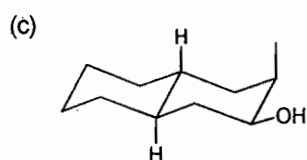
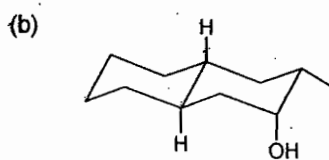
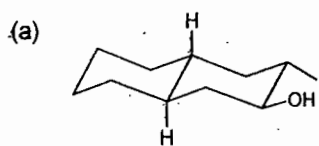
85) Identify the product from the following reaction

[GATE 2012]



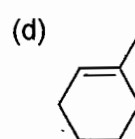
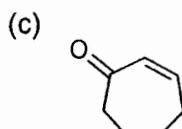
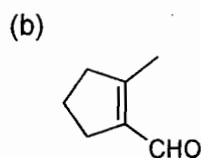
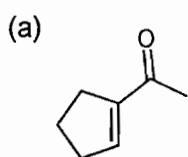
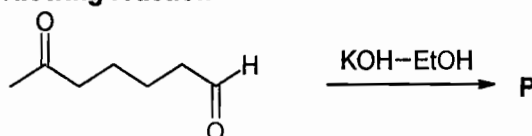
(BBN = 9-Borabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane)





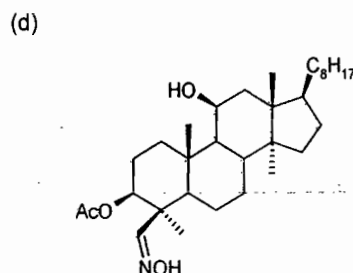
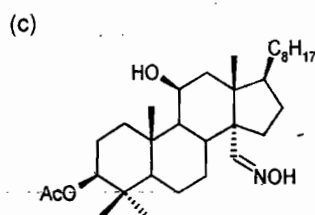
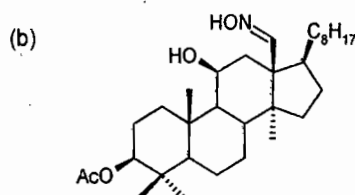
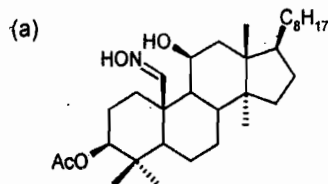
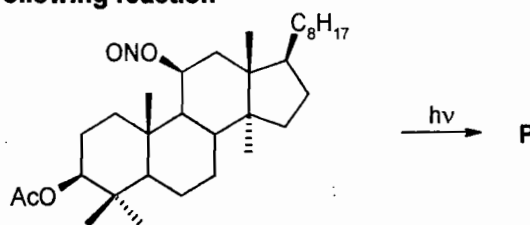
86) Identify the product from the following reaction

[GATE 2012]



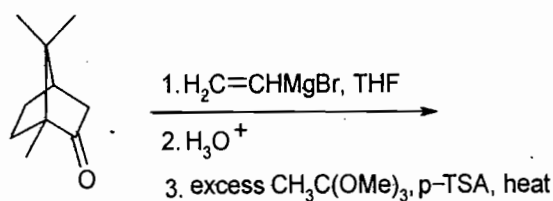
87) Identify the product from the following reaction

[GATE 2012]

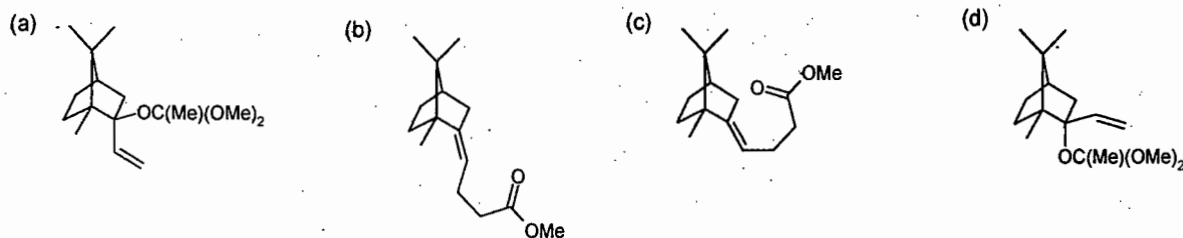


88) In the reaction given below, identify the product

[GATE 2012]



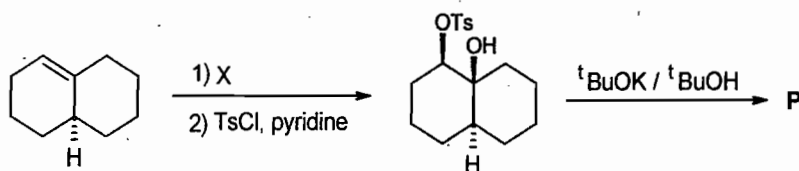
(*p*-TSA = *p*-toluenesulfonic acid; THF = tetrahydrofuran)



**Common Data for Questions (Linked question 89 & 90)**

Consider the reaction sequence shown below:

[GATE 2012]

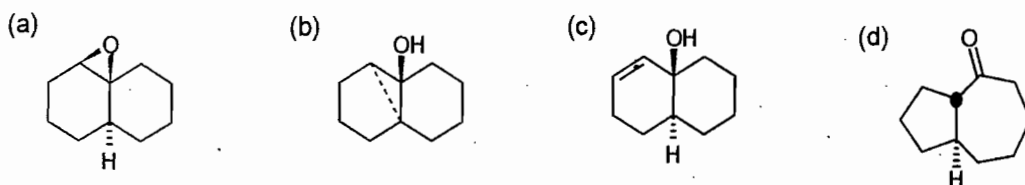


TsCl = p-toluenesulfonyl chloride

89) The oxidant X used in step 1 is

- (a) CrO<sub>3</sub>      (b) OsO<sub>4</sub>      (c) NaIO<sub>4</sub>      (d) m-CPBA followed by NaOH

90) The product is



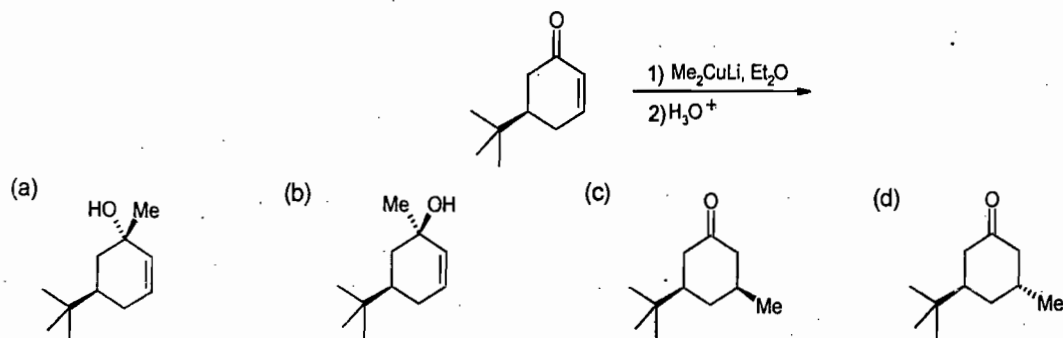
91) Among the compounds given in the options A-D, the one that can be used as a *formyl anion equivalent* (in the presence of a strong base) is

[GATE 2013]

- (a) ethylene      (b) nitroethane      (c) 1,3-dithiane      (d) 1,4-dithiane

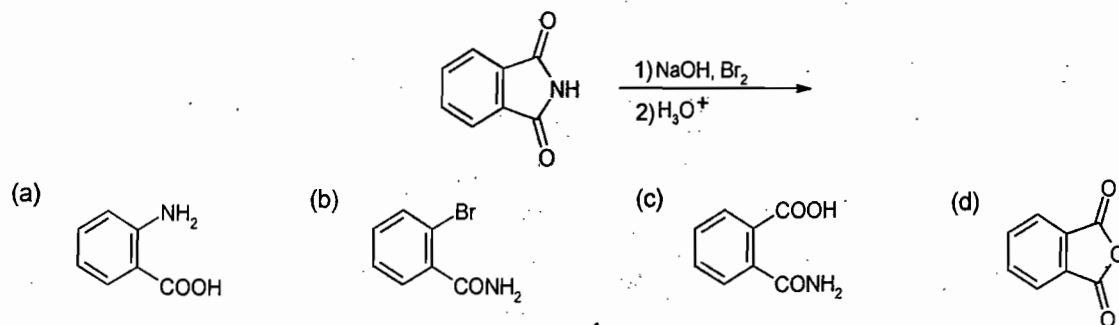
92) The major product formed in the reaction given below is

[GATE 2013]

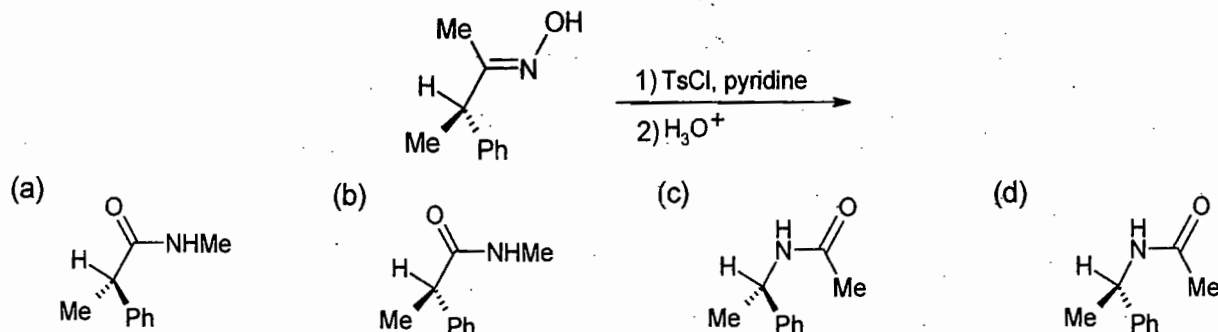


93) The major product formed in the reaction given below is

[GATE 2013]

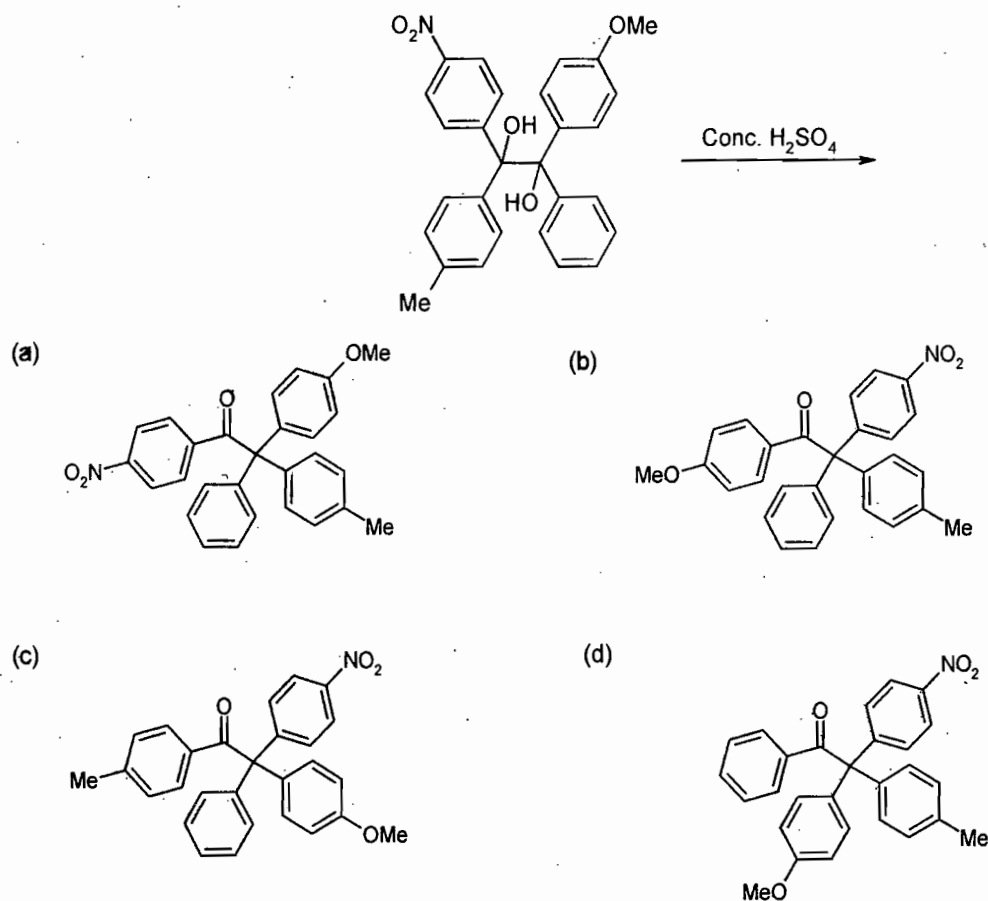


94) The major product formed in the Beckmann rearrangement of the compound given below is [GATE 2013]



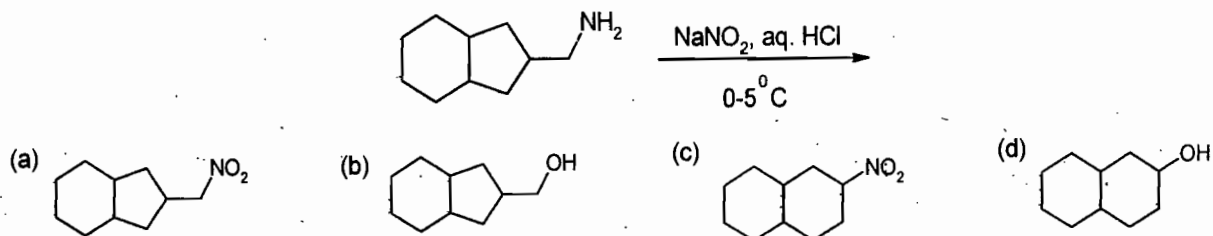
95) The major product formed in the reaction given below is

[GATE 2013]



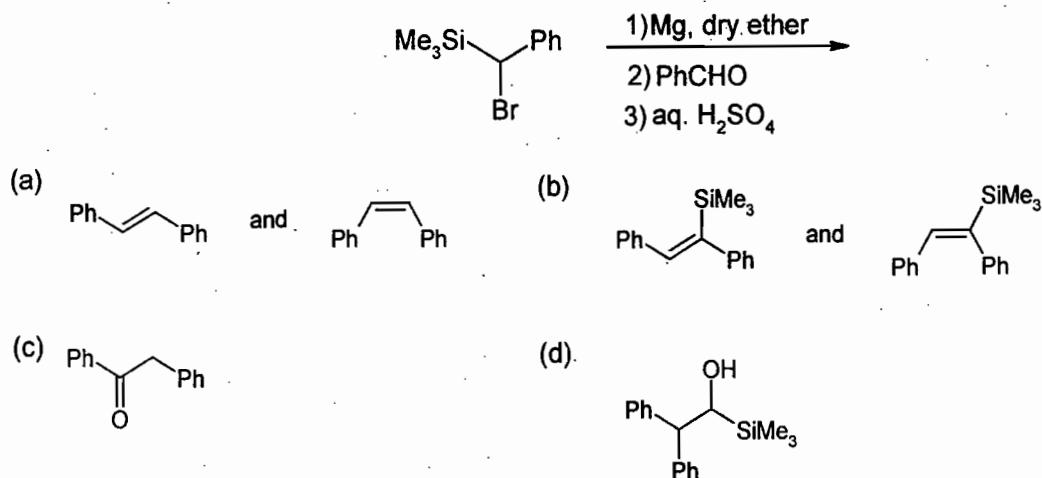
96) The major product formed in the reaction given below is

[GATE 2013]



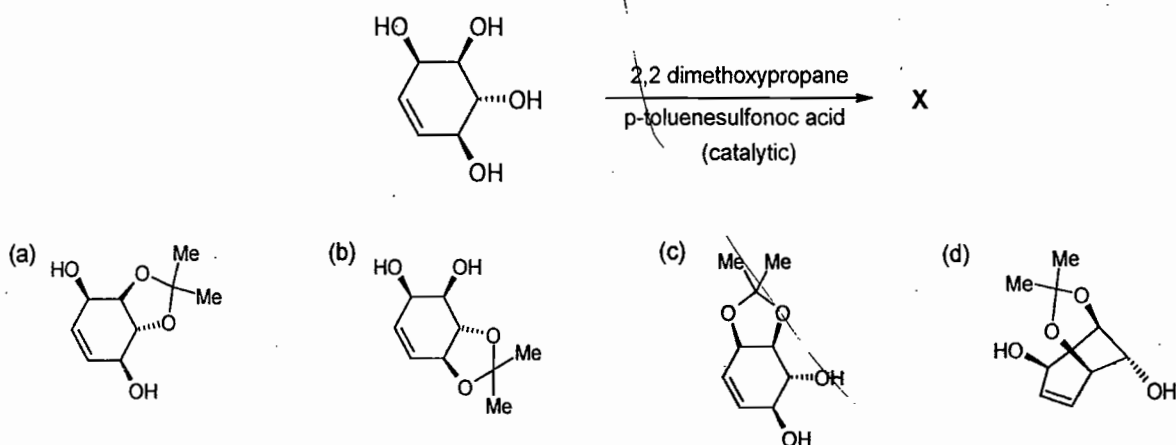
97) The major product(s) formed in the reaction sequence given below is (are)

[GATE 2013]

Linked Answer Questions 98 & 99:

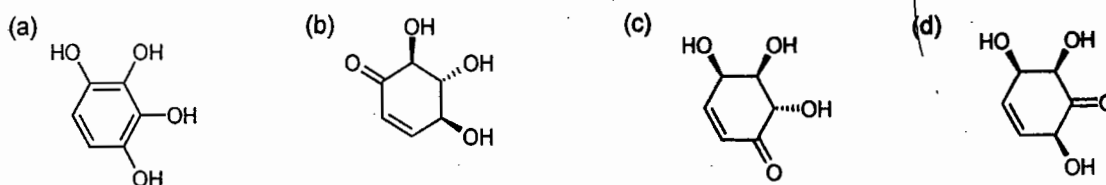
98) The major product X formed in the reaction given below is

[GATE 2013]



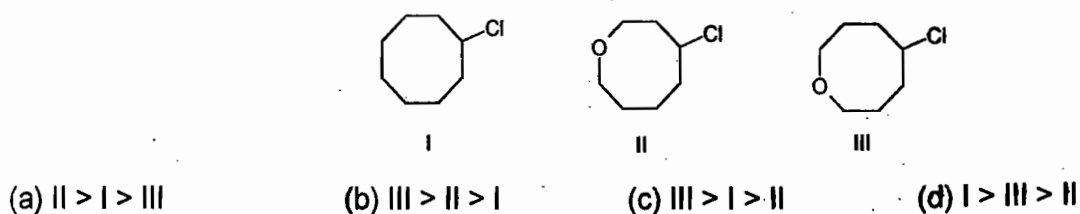
99) Oxidation of the product X, obtained in the above reaction, with active manganese dioxide, followed by acidic hydrolysis gives

[GATE 2013]



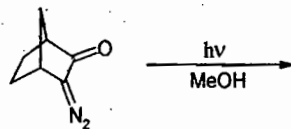
100) The correct order of the rate of solvolysis for the following chlorides in acetic acid is

[GATE 2014]



101) The product of the following reaction gave 6 line  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum with peaks at  $\delta$  175, 52, 50, 46, 37, 33 ppm. The structure of the product is

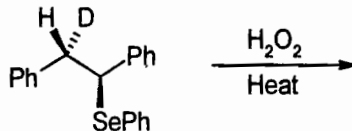
[GATE 2014]



- (a) (b) (c) (d)

102) The major product formed in the following reaction is

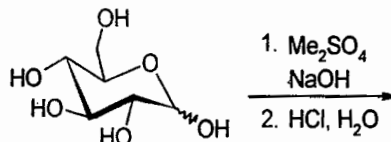
[GATE 2014]



- (a) (b) (c) (d)

103) The major product formed in the following reaction is

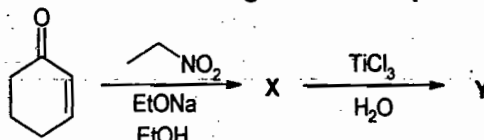
[GATE 2014]



- (a) (b) (c) (d)

104) The major products X and Y formed in the following reaction sequence are

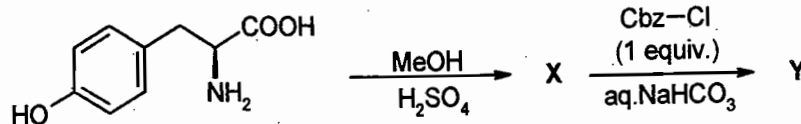
[GATE 2014]



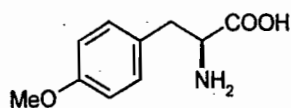
- (a) X = Y = (b) X = Y = (c) X = Y = (d) X = Y =

105) The major products X and Y formed in the following reaction sequence are

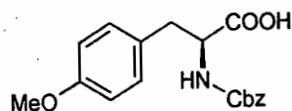
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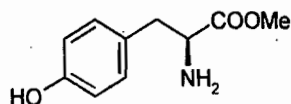
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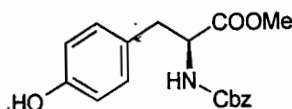
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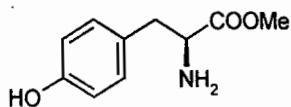
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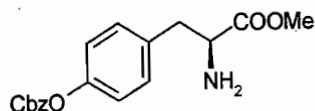
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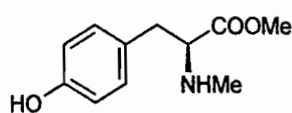
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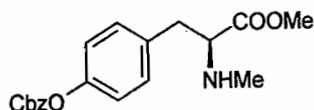
Y =



(d) X =



Y =



106) The most suitable reagent combination to effect the following conversion is

[GATE 2014]



- (a) i. NaH, CS<sub>2</sub>, then MeI; ii. Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH, AIBN, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, reflux  
 (b) i. I<sub>2</sub>, PPh<sub>3</sub>, imidazole; ii. H<sub>2</sub>, 10% Pd-C, AcOH, high pressure  
 (c) i. Me<sub>3</sub>SiCl, pyridine, DMAP; ii. Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH, AIBN, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, reflux  
 (d) i. MsCl, pyridine, DMAP; ii. LiAlH<sub>4</sub>, THF, reflux

Answer Key

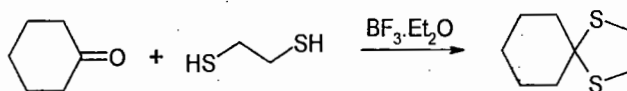
NET EXAM (TWO MARKS)

• Topic- Organic Reaction Mechanism (ORM, Reagents, Rearrangements & Name Reactions)

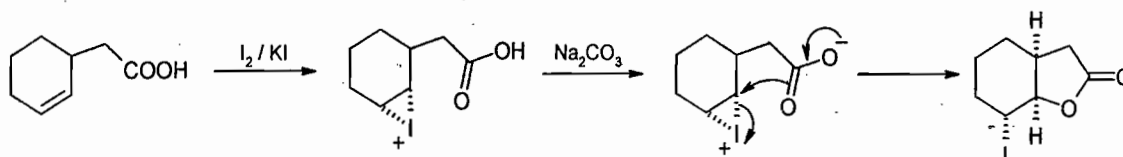
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| 11 | c | 12 | c | 13 | a | 14 | a | 15 | b | 16 | b | 17 | d | 18 | a | 19 | d | 20 | b |
| 21 | d | 22 | b | 23 | a | 24 | c | 25 | a | 26 | d | 27 | d | 28 | b | 29 | c | 30 | d |
| 31 | b | 32 | a | 33 | c | 34 | b | 35 | d | 36 | b | 37 | d | 38 | b | 39 | b | 40 | a |
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Hint & solution of Questions with two marks (NET EXAM)

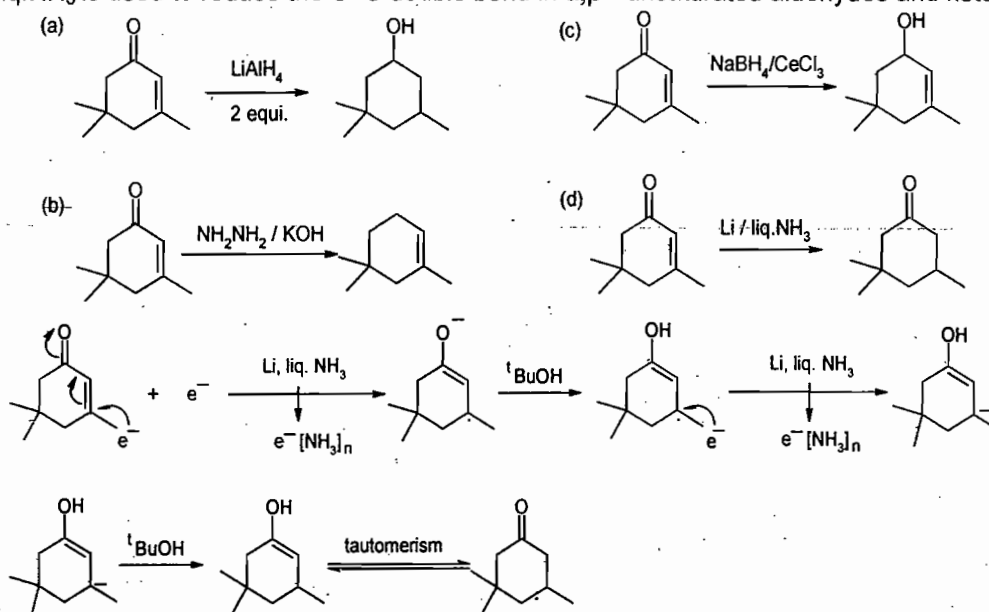
1) Ans (a):- A Lewis acid ( $\text{BF}_3$ ) is usually needed rather than a protic acid for bringing out the following transformation.



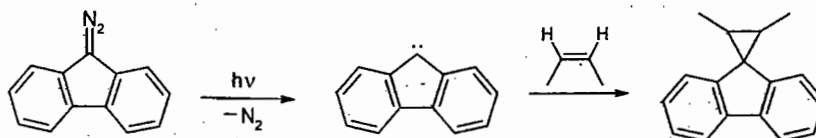
2) Ans (a):- One side of the alkene is sterically hindered by the carboxyl group. Therefore,  $\text{I}_2$  will add to the other side of the double bond, forming an iodonium ion. We know that in the second step of the addition reaction, a nucleophile (in this case the carbonyl oxygen) will attack the iodonium ion. The carbonyl oxygen attacks the back side of the iodonium ion, resulting in a compound with the observed configuration.



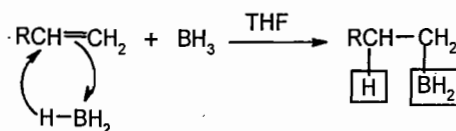
3) Ans (d):-  $\text{Li}/\text{liq. NH}_3$  is used to reduce the C-C double bond in  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes and ketones.



4) Ans (d):- Photolysis of diazo compound gives carbene which reacts with alkene to give cyclopropane

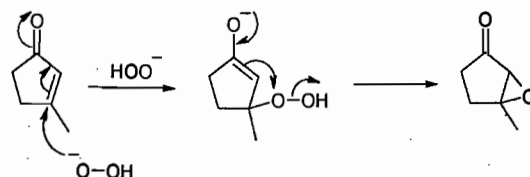


5) Ans (c):- **Markovnikov's rule**:- When an unsymmetrical reagent add to unsymmetrical alkene the negative part of reagent adds to the  $sp^2$  carbon that is bonded to the less number of hydrogens. The Boron is less electronegative (2.0) than hydrogen (2.1) so hydrogen must bond to the carbon of the alkene that had fewer hydrogens attached to it. The addition of borane to an alkene is an example of a syn addition. Thus addition of  $BH_3$  to a carbon-carbon double bond is Markovnikov syn addition

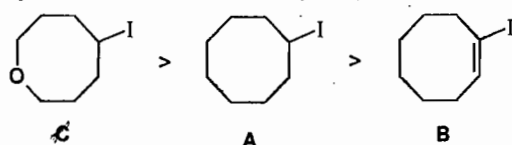


6) Ans (d):- The elimination reactions occur via  $E_{1cB}$  mechanism; when anion-stabilizing (electron withdrawing) group is present at  $\beta$ -carbon

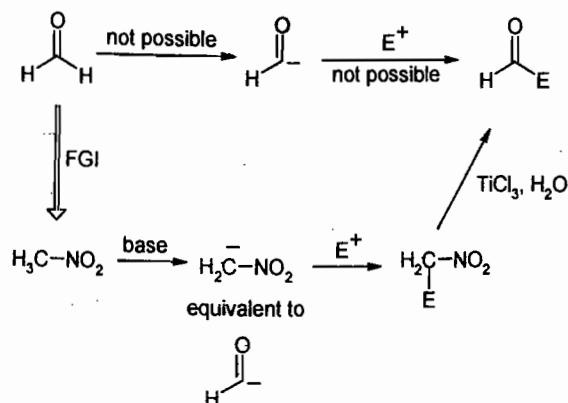
7) Ans (d):- Epoxidation of unsaturated carbonyl compound is achieved by  $H_2O_2/NaOH$



8) Ans (a):- Among A, B & C; C will react faster due to internal nucleophile while among A & B; A will react faster while B do not undergo  $S_N$  reaction; because, as the nucleophile approaches the back side of the  $sp^2$  carbon, it is repelled by the  $\pi$  electron cloud of the double bond. Therefore the relative rates of solvolysis of iodides A-C are  $C > A > B$

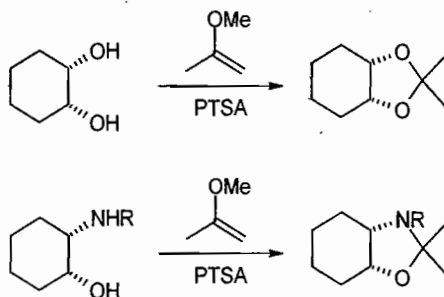


9) Ans (b):- The formyl anion equivalent is nitromethane





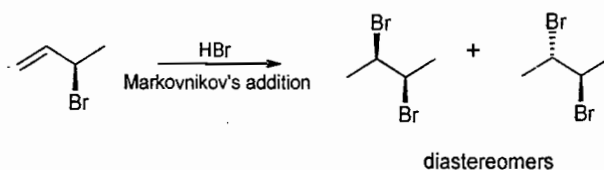
10) Ans (c):- 2-methoxypropene and p-toluenesulfonic acid is a suitable reagent combination for carrying out the following conversion



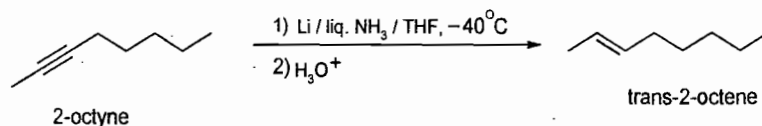
11) Ans (c):- Markovnikov's addition reaction will give diastereomers.

The term Diastereoisomers arises when there are more than one stereocentre.

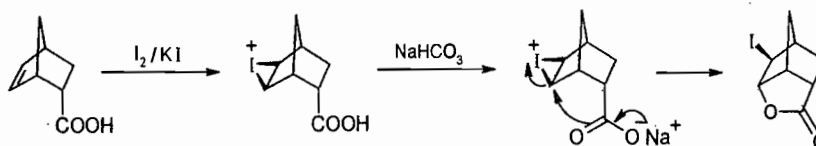
Diastereoisomers are stereoisomers that are not enantiomers i.e. that are not mirror images.



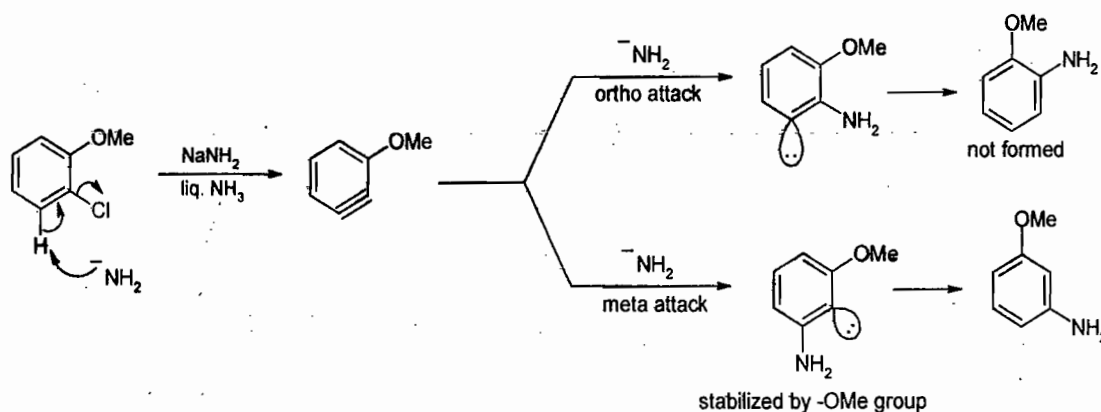
12) Ans (c):- Conversion of 2-octyne into trans-2-octene is partial reduction & is possible by using lithium metal in liquid ammonia; in contrast, reduction of 2-octyne into cis-2-octene is achieved by Lindlar's catalyst



13) Ans (a):- Reaction proceed through iodonium ion,



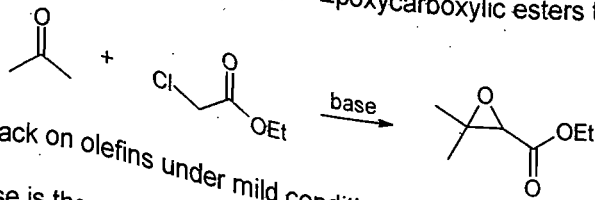
14) Ans (a):- This is an example of nucleophilic aromatic substitution via benzyne intermediate sometimes called as the elimination-addition mechanism. Major product is formed by more stable aryl anion intermediate



15) Ans (b):- At low temperature ( $-70^\circ\text{C}$ );  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  only reduces carbonyl group of  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated carbonyl group. Among (a) & (b); (b) is obtained as a major product.

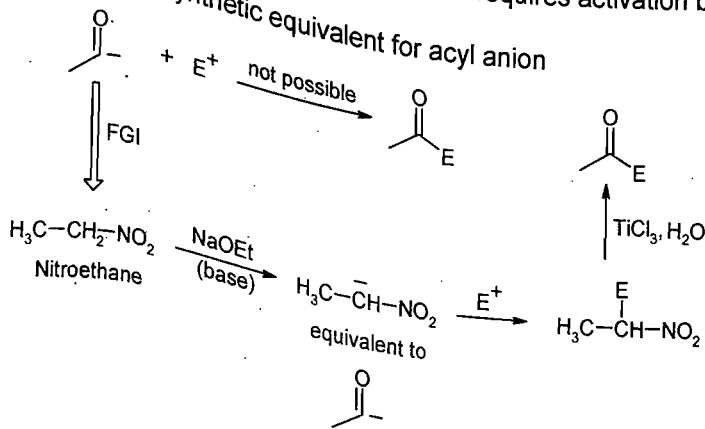
Hint:- The nucleophilic attacks at carbonyl compound take place through Felkin-Anh transition state conformation.

**Ans (b):-** Darzen's glycidic ester condensation involves the formation of both C-C and C-O bonds. In Darzen's glycidic ester condensation formation of  $\alpha,\beta$ - Epoxycarboxylic esters take place from aldehydes or ketones and  $\alpha$ -halo esters.

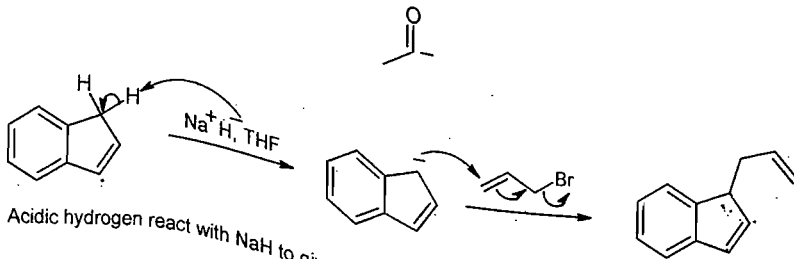


**Ans (d):-** The nucleophilic attack on olefins under mild conditions requires activation by coordination to metal.

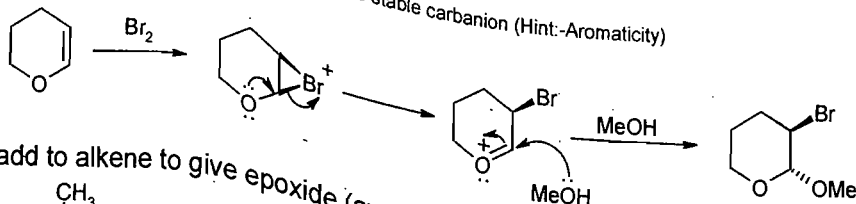
**Ans (a):-** Nitroethane and base is the synthetic equivalent for acyl anion



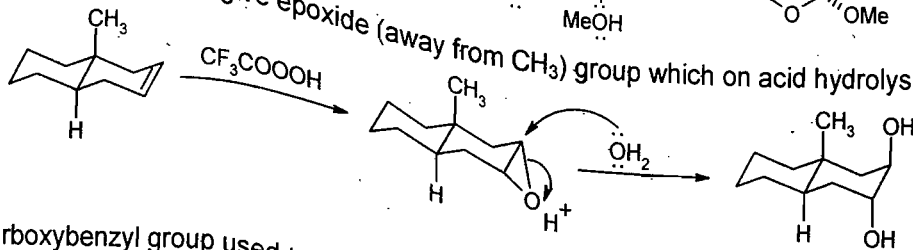
**Ans (d):-**



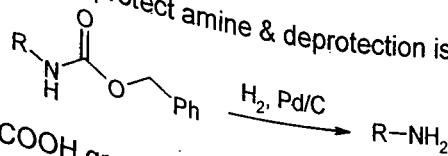
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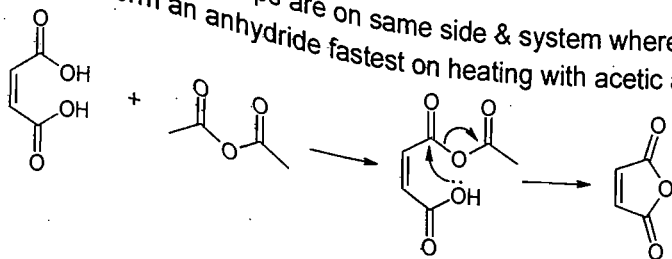
**Ans (d):-** Peracid add to alkene to give epoxide (away from CH<sub>3</sub>) group which on acid hydrolysis gives trans diol.



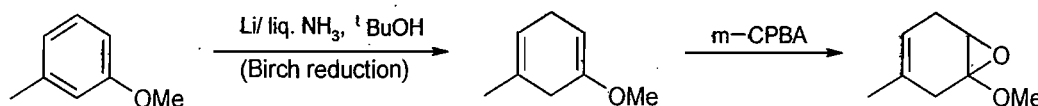
**Ans (b):-** It is carboxybenzyl group used to protect amine & deprotection is done by HBr or H<sub>2</sub>, Pd/C



**Ans (a):-** The diacids in which both COOH groups are on same side & system where there is a restriction in rotation due to double bond, will form an anhydride fastest on heating with acetic anhydride.

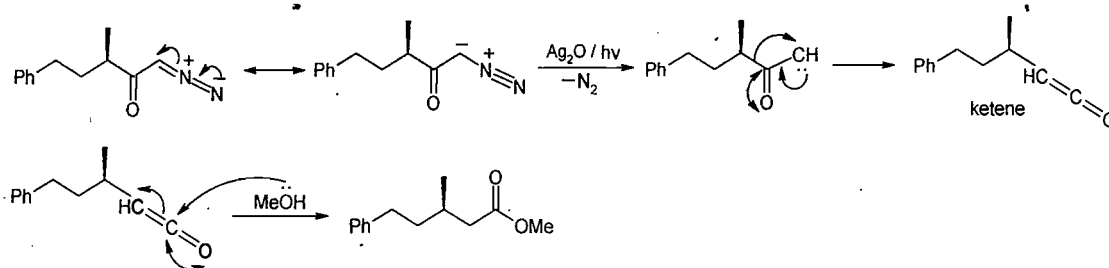


24) Ans (c):- In Birch reduction, 1,4 reduction of aromatic ring occur at ortho & meta position w.r.t. electron donating group (regioselective). In the next step epoxidation of more electron rich alkene take place



- 1) In Birch reduction 1,4 reduction occur at ortho & meta position w.r.t. electron donating group
- 2) Here peracid add to more electron rich alkene

25) Ans (a):- Wolff rearrangement:- Photolysis of diazocarbonyl compounds with a silver(I) salt to form ketene. Ketene on solvolysis gives an ester with one more carbon atom in the chain.

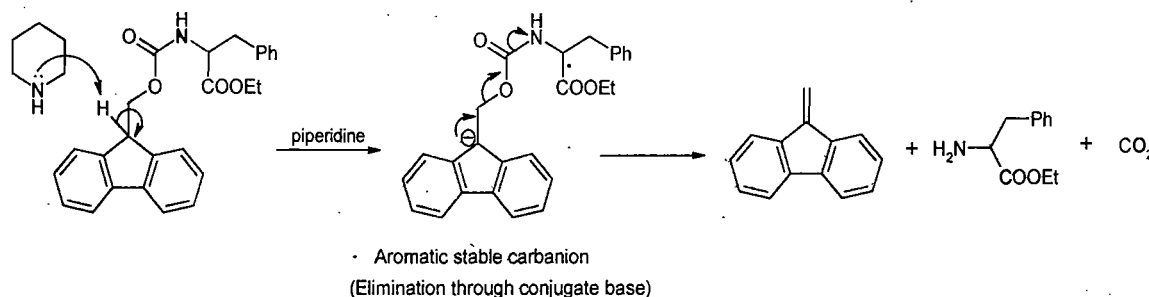


26) Ans (d):- the  $\sigma_{para}$  for methoxy group is  $-0.27$

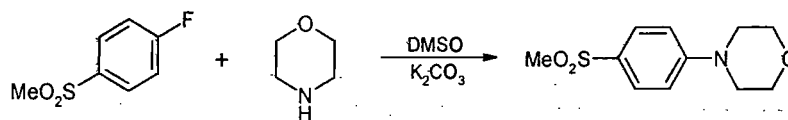
$$\sigma_{para} = pK_a(C_6H_5COOH) - pK_a(p\text{-OMe-C}_6\text{H}_4\text{COOH})$$

$$\sigma_{para} = 4.19 - 4.46 = -0.27$$

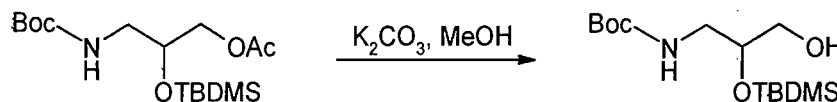
27) Ans (d):- The mechanism involved is  $E_{1cb}$ -elimination. (The elimination reactions occur via  $E_{1cb}$ ; when anion-stabilizing (electron withdrawing) group is present at  $\beta$ -carbon)



28) Ans (b):- A given reaction is aromatic ipso substitution reaction & aromatic nucleophilic substitution. Reaction will follow addition-elimination mechanism.



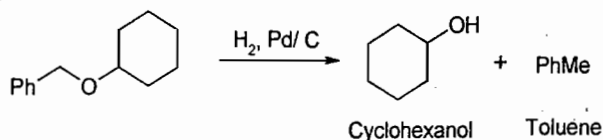
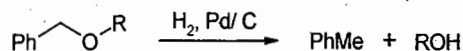
29) Ans (c):- Boc & *t*-butyl dimethyl silyl ether (R-OTBDMS) are protecting agent for amines & alcohols respectively. Deprotection of Boc is done in acidic condition & R-OTBDMS are usually removed with aqueous acid or fluoride salts, particularly  $Bu_4N^+F^-$ . So we can only apply  $K_2CO_3$ , MeOH for reaction.



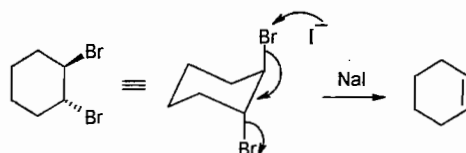
30) Ans (d):- Diels-Alder reaction of furan and maleic acid in water is an example of a "Green Synthesis"

31) Ans (b):- Electron donating groups at ortho/para position promote acid hydrolysis of esters.

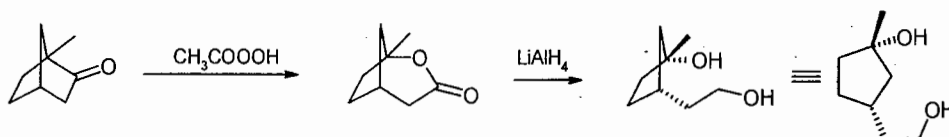
12) Ans (a):- Benzyl ether deprotection is done by catalytic hydrogenation by using 10% Pd/C



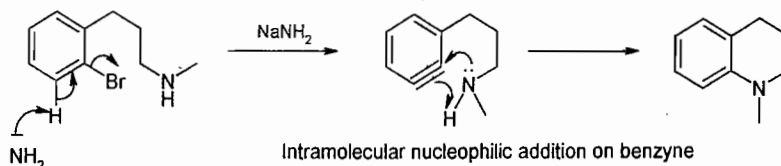
13) Ans (c):- Trans-1,2-dibromocyclohexanes reacts fastest with sodium iodide to give cyclohexene



14) Ans (b):- Baeyer-villiger oxidation of bridged bicyclic ketones to give lactone followed reduction by LiAlH<sub>4</sub>



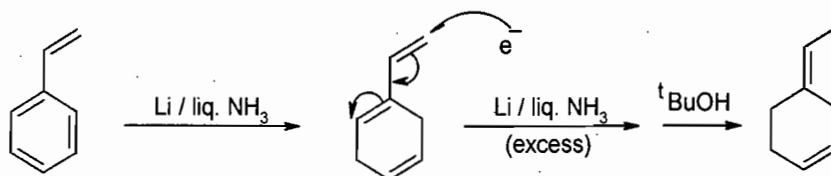
15) Ans (d):- an aryne (benzyne)



16) Ans (b):- The first step is dissociation of Br<sub>2</sub> into Br<sup>•</sup> radicals

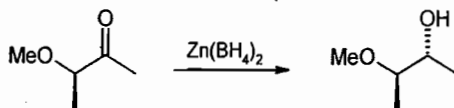
17) Ans (d):-

- 1) In Birch reduction 1,4 reduction occur at ortho & meta position w.r.t electron donating group
- 2) Excess of Li / liq. NH<sub>3</sub> reduces 1,3 diene into isolated double bond as shown below.

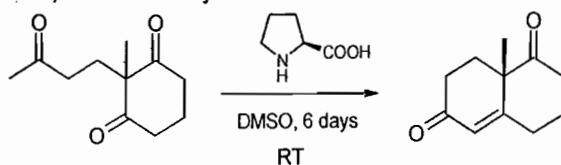


18) Ans (b):- When kinetic isotope effect ( $K_H/K_D$ ) for the reaction was found to be 4.0; it indicates abstraction of  $\beta$ -hydrogen is involved in rate determine step i.e. E<sub>2</sub> elimination

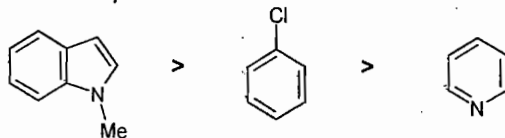
19) Ans (b):- Zn(BH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> is reducing reagent & it approaches to the less-hindered side of the carbonyl group in this reaction. The main product formed in this reactions can be predicted on the basis of the Felkin-Anh model.



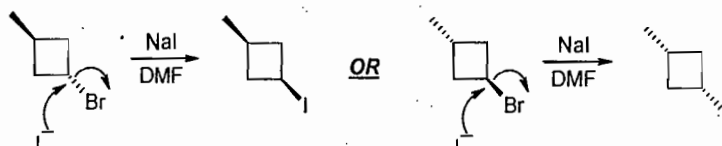
20) Ans (a):- This is an example of enantioselective Robinson annelation. It is an asymmetric synthesis by using (-)-proline (optically active) as the catalyst



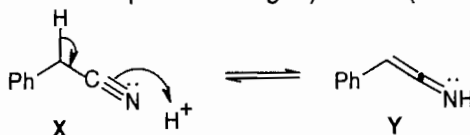
41) Ans (d):- Since the lone pair on the nitrogen atom in Indole can donate electrons into the ring by resonance & makes it more reactive than benzene. The electron-withdrawing nitrogen atom in pyridine makes it less reactive than benzene. Indeed, it is even less reactive than nitrobenzene. In cases of halogens, the negative inductive effect is more dominating than positive resonance effect & make it less reactive than benzene but more reactive than nitrobenzene. Order for the rates of electrophilic aromatic substitution:-



42) Ans (c):- NaI(I<sup>-</sup>) is good nucleophile & DMF is a polar aprotic solvents & favors S<sub>N</sub><sup>2</sup> reaction with inversion in configuration. Thus reactions of trans-1-bromo-3-methylcyclobutane with sodium iodide in DMF is simple S<sub>N</sub><sup>2</sup> reaction with inversion in configuration

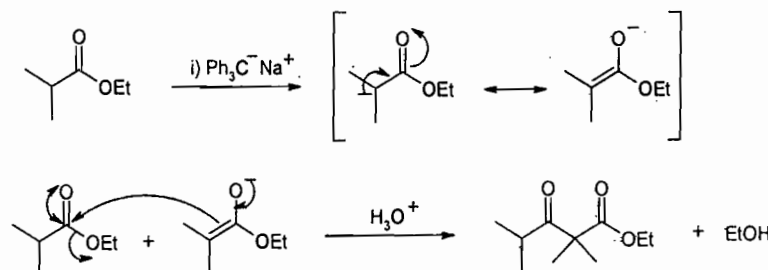


43) Ans (c):- Any reaction that simply involves the intramolecular transfer of a proton is called a tautomerism. Among X & Y; X is more basic (localized lone pair on nitrogen) than Y (delocalized lone pair on nitrogen)



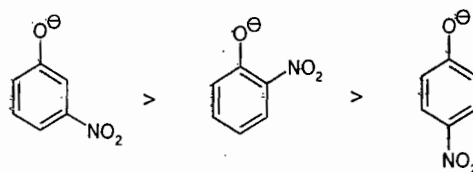
44) Ans (c):- This is the Claisen ester condensation (enolate of a carboxylic ester is formed at room temperature with base & then self condensation of the ester results and gives a β-keto ester product.

Claisen ester condensation

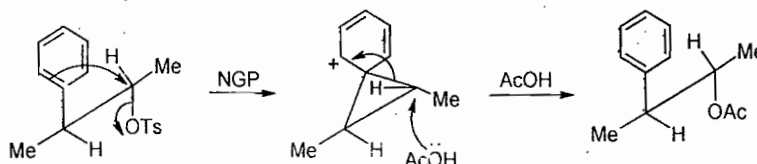


45) Ans (c):- Among three, m-nitrophenoxide ion is more basic as resonance stabilization is not possible in case of m-nitrophenoxide ion which is rather possible in o-nitrophenoxide ion & p-nitrophenoxide ion. Among o-nitrophenoxide ion & p-nitrophenoxide ion; o-nitrophenoxide ion is more basic as resonance stabilization in case of p-nitrophenoxide ion is more due to lengthening of conjugation & therefore shows less affinity towards proton. (A convenient way to look at basicity is based on electron pair availability, the more available the electrons, the more readily it can be donated to form a new bond to the proton and therefore the stronger base.)

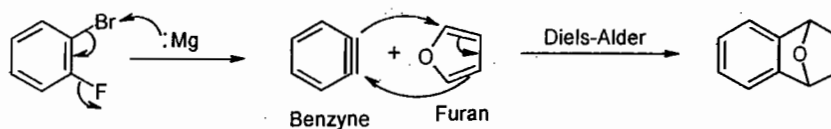
Order of Basicity



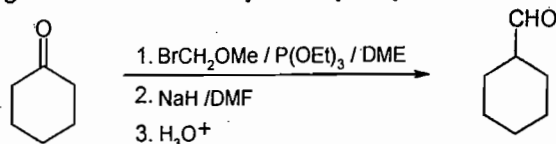
46) Ans (a):- It is an example of neighboring group participation (NGP) reaction:- a type of substitution reaction which goes with retention in configuration and abnormal increase in rate.



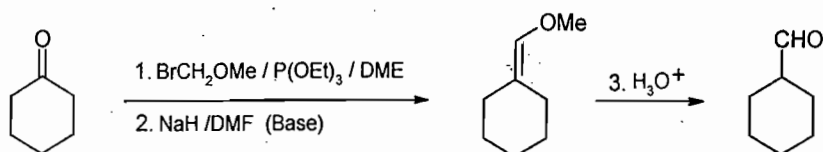
47) Ans (c):-



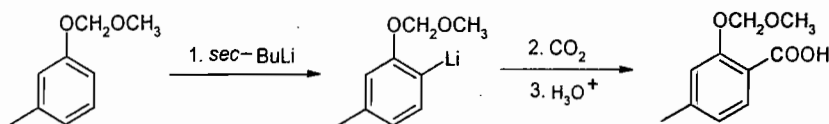
48) Ans (c):- It is a Wittig reaction followed by acid hydrolysis



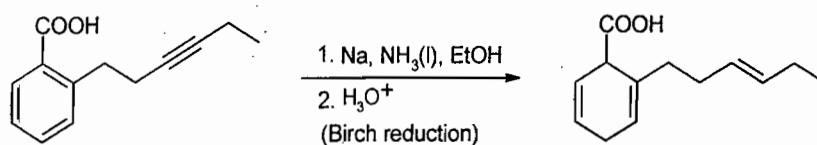
Wittig reaction followed by acid hydrolysis



49) Ans (c):- It is an example of lithiation reactions; lithiation occur at less hindered ortho position.



50) Ans (a):- In Birch reduction, 1,4 reduction occur at ipso & para position w.r.to electron withdrawing group (regioselective) & also brings out a partial reduction of alkynes to trans alkene (stereospecific)



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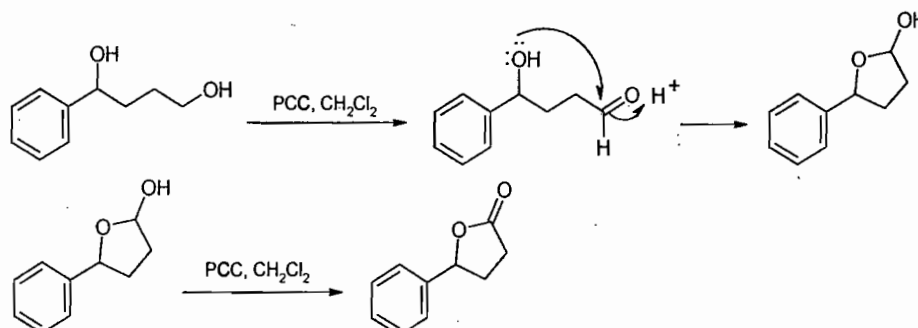
NET EXAM ( FOUR MARKS)

Topic- 15:-Organic Reaction Mechanism (ORM, Reagents, Rearrangements & Name Reactions)

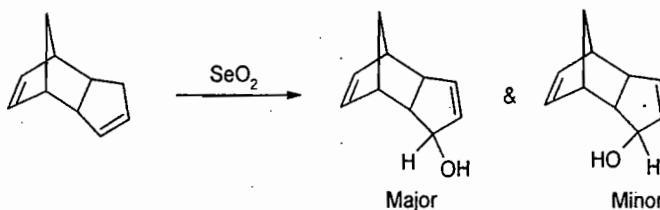
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**Hint & solution of Questions with four marks (NET EXAM)**

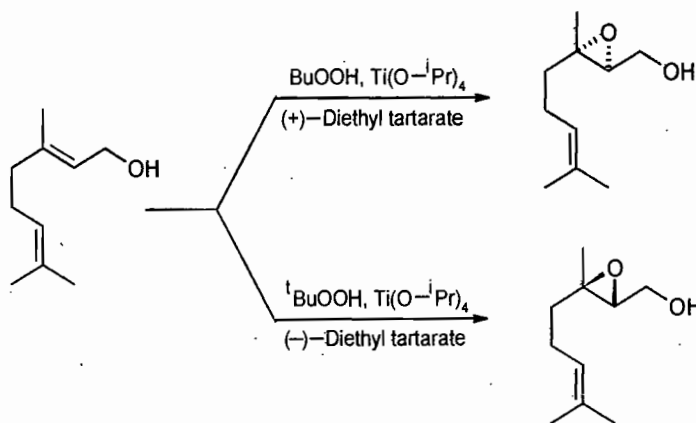
- 1) **Ans (d):-** The oxidation of a primary alcohol can be easily stopped at the aldehyde by pyridinium Chlorochromate  $\text{pyH}^+\text{CrO}_3\text{Cl}^-$  (PCC) & no further oxidation takes place. Secondary alcohols are oxidized to corresponding ketones with PCC. The PCC is somewhat acidic and acid-catalyzed rearrangements have been observed. A strong absorption at  $\nu_{\text{max}} 1765 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the IR spectrum also suggest the formation of  $\gamma$ -lactone



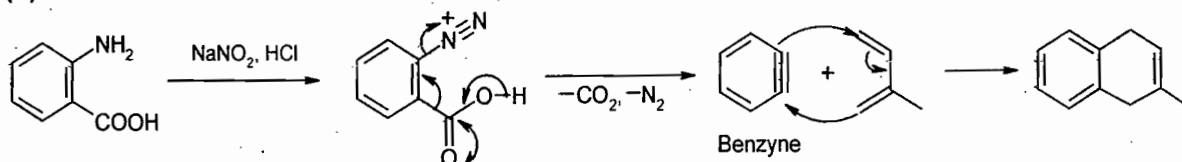
- 2) **Ans (c):-**  $\text{SeO}_2$  is an oxidizing agent & is suitable reagent for the allylic oxidation of alkenes to allylic alcohols,



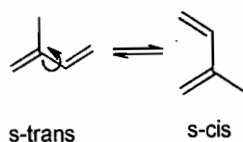
- 3) **Ans (a):-** The Sharpless Epoxidation allows the enantioselective epoxidation of prochiral allylic alcohols. (-)-diethyl tartrate delivers oxygen to top face of alkene while (+)-diethyl tartrate delivers oxygen to bottom face of alkene



- 4) **Ans (d):-**

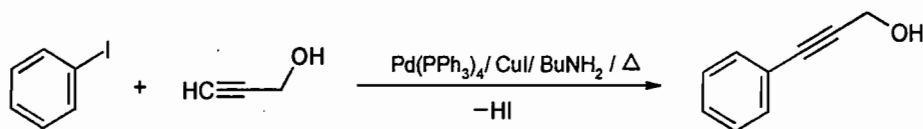


**Hint:-** s-trans diene undergoes single bond rotation to give s-cis diene

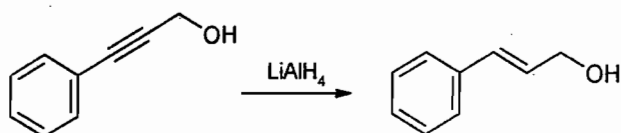


- 5) **Ans (c):-** New carbon-carbon bonds can be made using an organometallic reagent in which the metal ion is a transition metal. The reactions are called coupling reactions because two groups are coupled together (joined together).

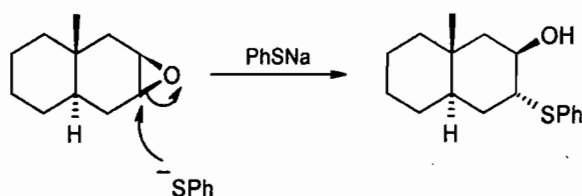
Step I is a coupling of terminal alkynes with aryl or vinyl halides under palladium catalysis



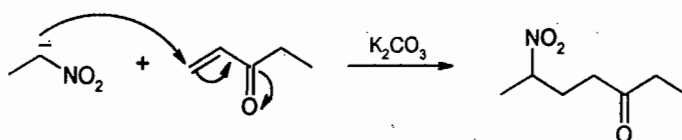
Step II is partial reduction of triple bond to trans alkene by  $\text{LiAlH}_4$



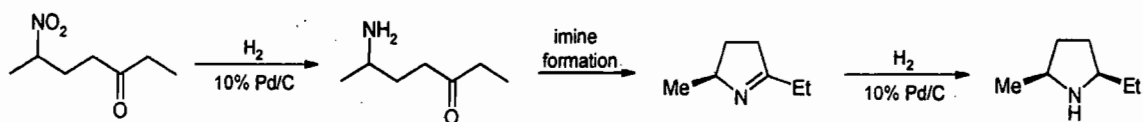
- 6) **Ans (b):-** It is simple  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$  reaction of  $\text{PhS}^-$  on epoxide from less hindered back side.



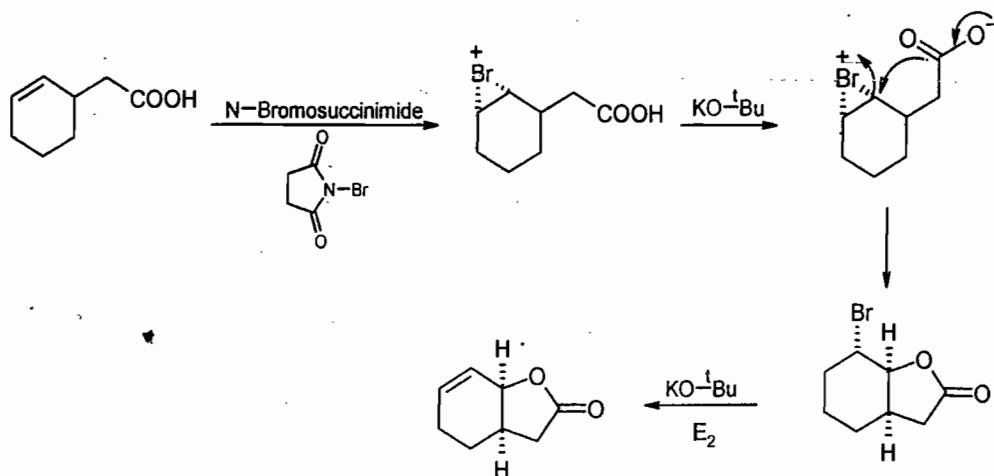
- 7) **Ans (a):-** Step I Nitroalkane readily undergoes multiple conjugate additions under basic condition.



Step II:- The first stage involve reduction of nitro group to an amine, condensation with the ketone to give an imine & its reduction.

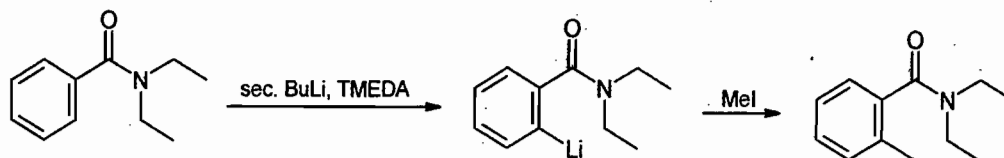


- 8) **Ans (c):-** NBS is a radical generator in nonpolar solvents, but in polar solvents, it supplies electrophilic Bromine.

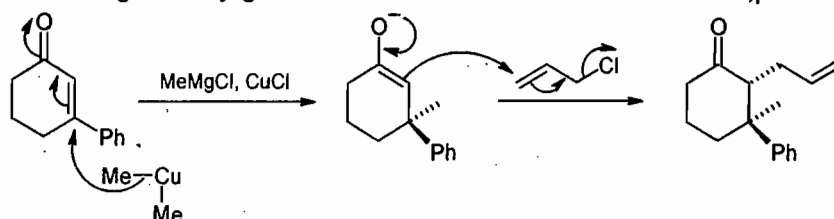




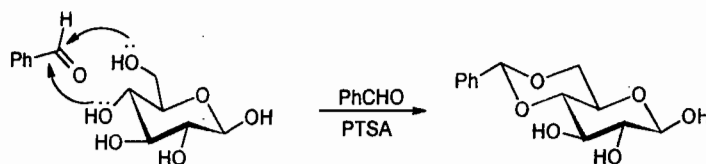
9) Ans (b):- It is a lithiation reaction. *sec*-BuLi is a strongly basic reagent & remove a more acidic ortho proton



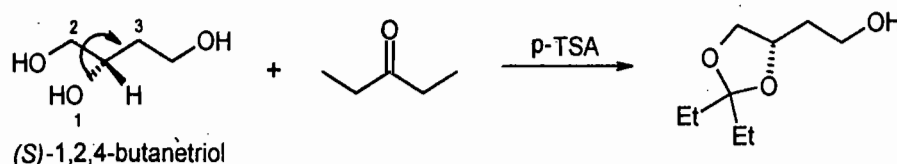
10) Ans (d):- Alkylcuprate undergoes conjugate addition when react with unsaturated  $\alpha,\beta$ - aldehydes and ketones.



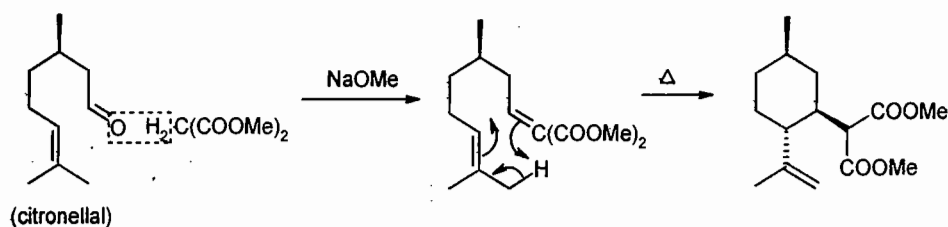
11) Ans (d):- The new chair acetal ring is formed between primary -OH group & its adjacent -OH group with benzaldehyde and *p*-TSA with the phenyl group in an equatorial position in the product



12) Ans (c):- It is a simply acetal ring formation between 1,2 diol of (*S*)-1,2,4-butanetriol with 3-pentanone in the presence of a catalytic amount of *p*-TSA

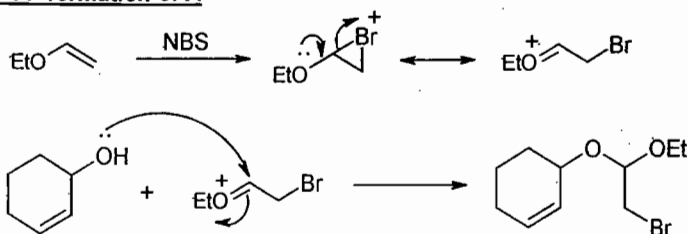


13) Ans (d):- First Step is base catalyzed condensation followed by cyclisation.

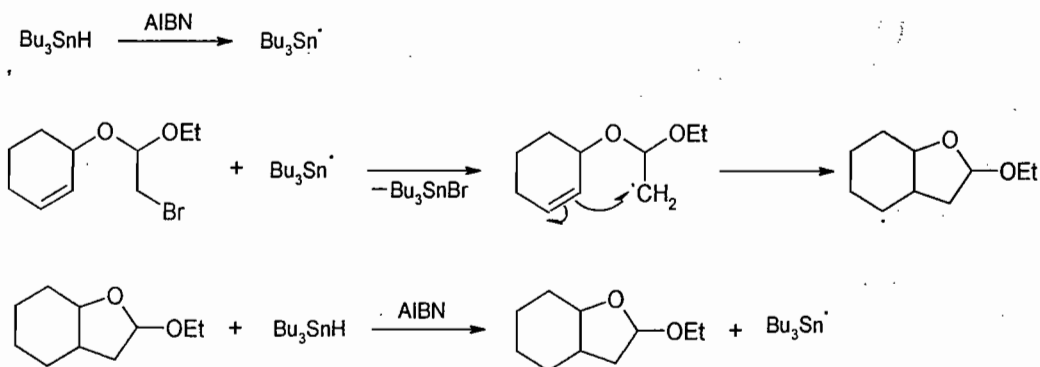


14) Ans (a):-

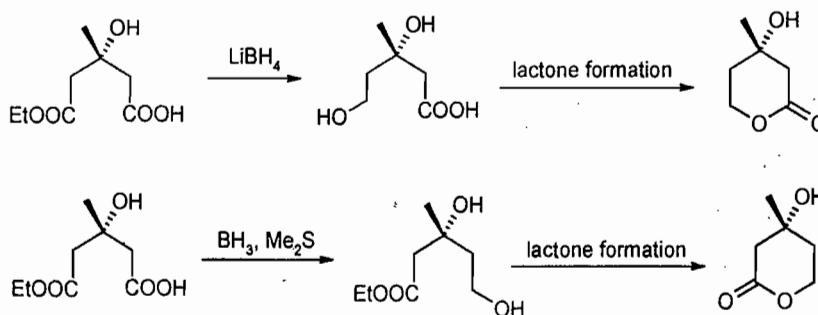
**Step I :- formation of A**



**Step II :- formation of B**

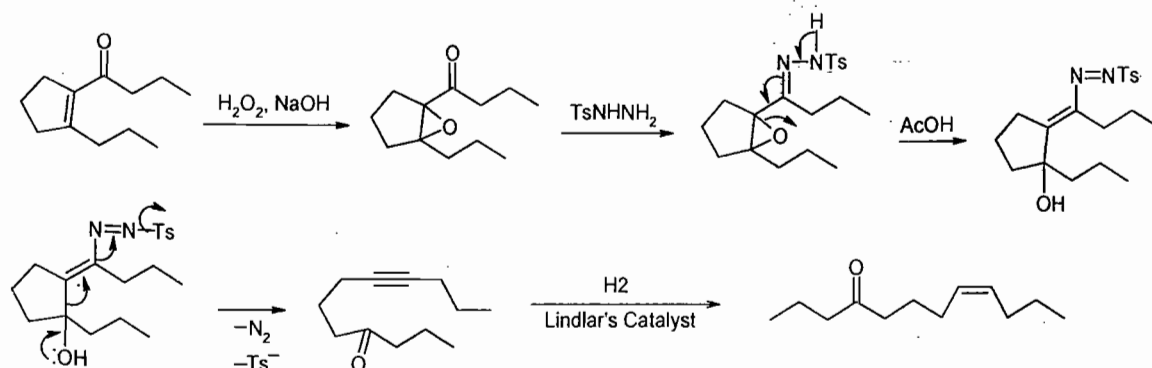


15) Ans (c):-  $\text{LiBH}_4$ , a milder reducing agent than  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  & chemo-selectively reduces ester group in presence of acids and amide while Borane is a highly chemoselective reagent for the reduction of carboxylic acids in the presence of other reducible functional groups such as esters, and even ketones.

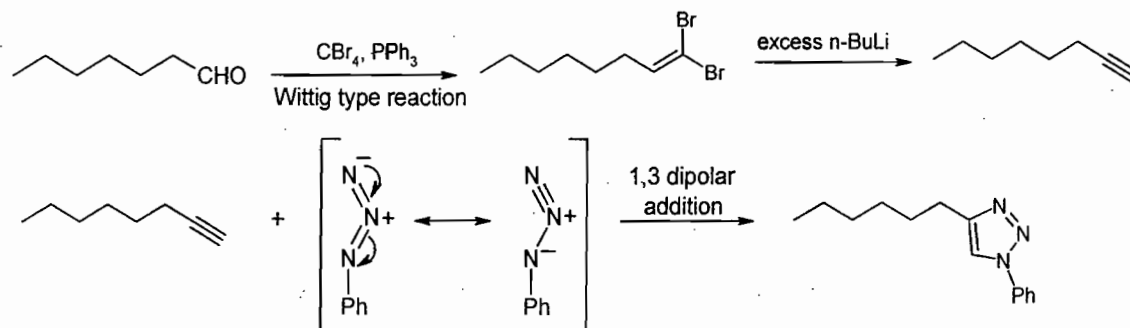


16) Ans (d):- The correct sequence of the reagents:

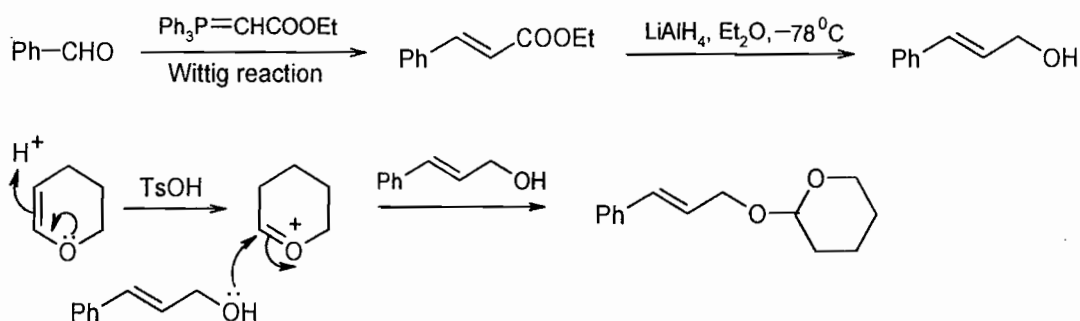
(A)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ , NaOH; (B)  $\text{TsNHNH}_2$ ; (C) AcOH; (D)  $\text{H}_2$ , Lindlar's catalyst



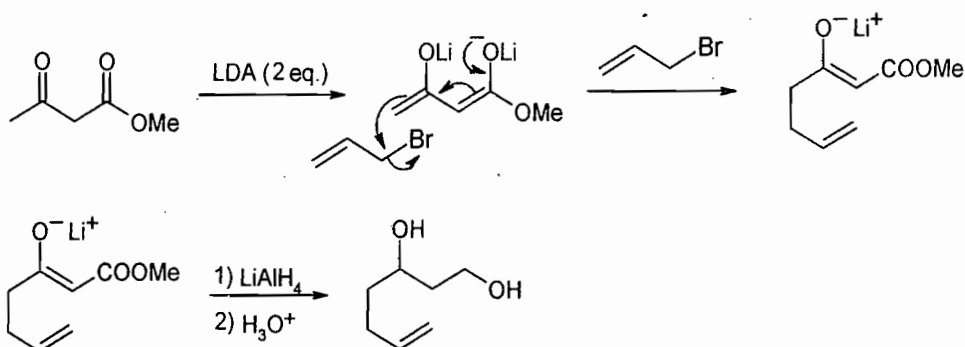
17) Ans (d):- First Step is Wittig type reaction (the phosphonium ylide  $\text{Ph}_3\text{P}=\text{CBr}_2$ , generated from carbon tetrabromide, triphenylphosphine) to give 1,1 dibromo-alkene. 1,1 dibromo-alkene on treatment with  $n\text{BuLi}$  results in the terminal alkyne. Last step is 1,3 dipolar cycloaddition reaction.



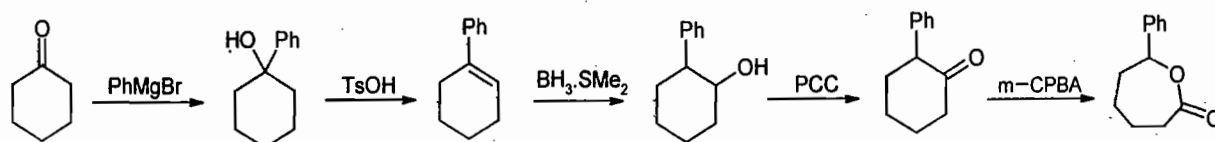
18) Ans (d):- First Step is Wittig reaction by using a stabilized ylide to give E-alkene selectively. In the next step at low temperature  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  only reduces the polar bond that is the ester group into a primary alcohol. Last step is protection of the alcohol group by dihydropyran in the presence of  $\text{TsOH}$ .



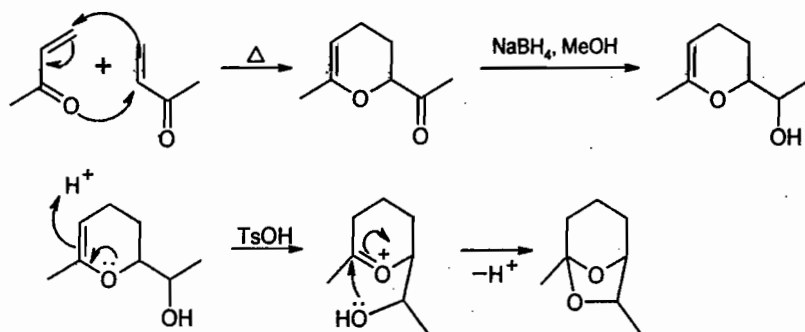
19) Ans (a):- Hint:- Dianion of ethyl acetoacetate is usually alkylated on the terminal carbon atom.



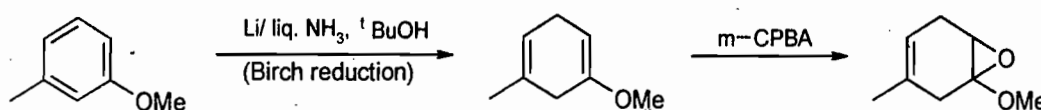
20) Ans (a):- First step is addition of Grignard reagent to a ketone to form an alcohol which undergoes dehydration in acid solution with toluene sulfonic acid ( $\text{TsOH}$ ). Next step is hydroboration; (used for the conversion of alkenes to alcohol) & subsequent oxidation by PCC. Last step is Baeyer-Villiger oxidation of a ketone to an ester by peroxy-acids.



21) Ans (b):- The major products of reaction are:-

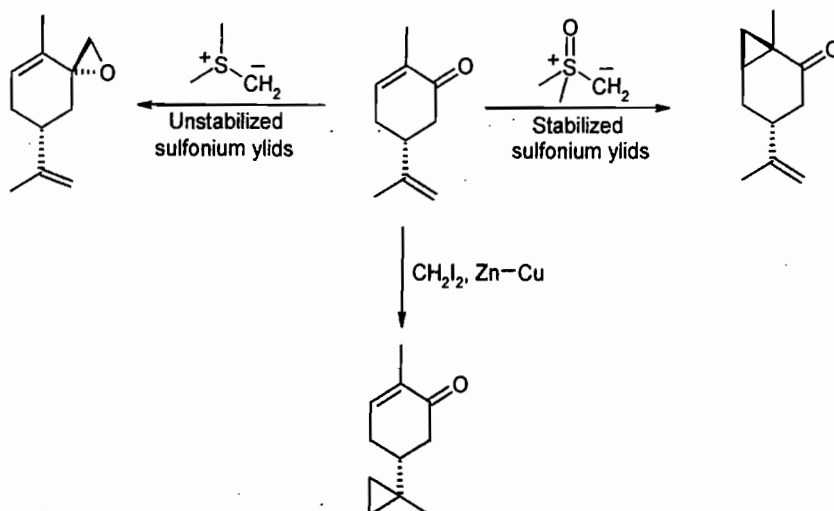


22) Ans (b):- In Birch reduction, 1,4 reduction of aromatic ring occur at ortho & meta position w.r.to electron donating group (regioselective). In the next step epoxidation of more electron rich alkene take place

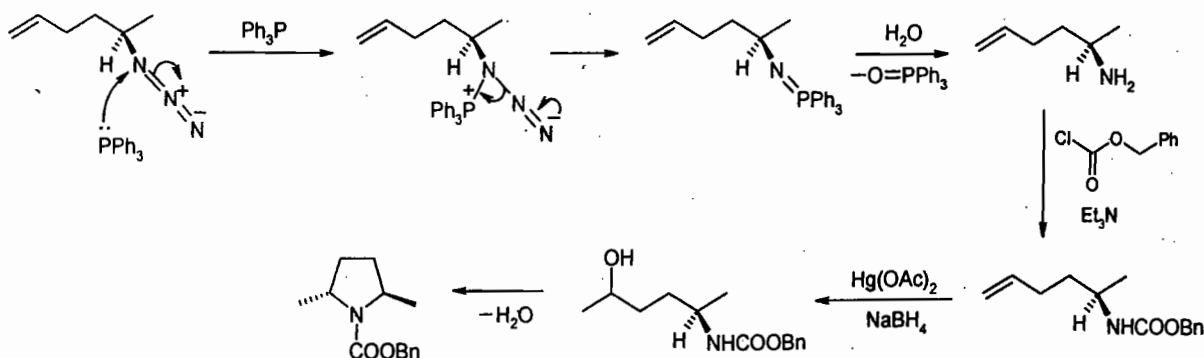


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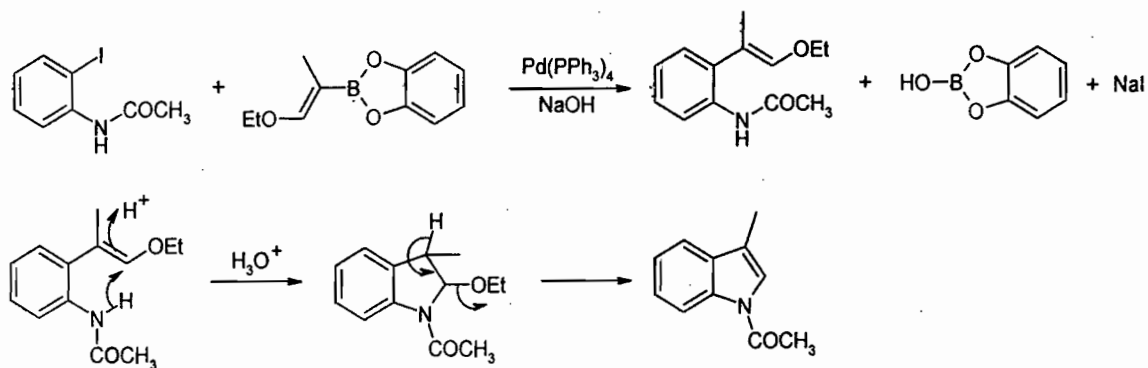
23) Ans (a):- The Simmons-Smith ( $\text{CH}_2\text{I}_2, \text{Zn-Cu}$ ) adds to electron rich alkene and produce cyclopropanes. 'Unstabilized' sulfonium ylids give epoxides from  $\alpha, \beta$ -unsaturated carbonyl compounds while 'stabilized' ylids (with an anion-stabilizing substituent) give cyclopropanes.



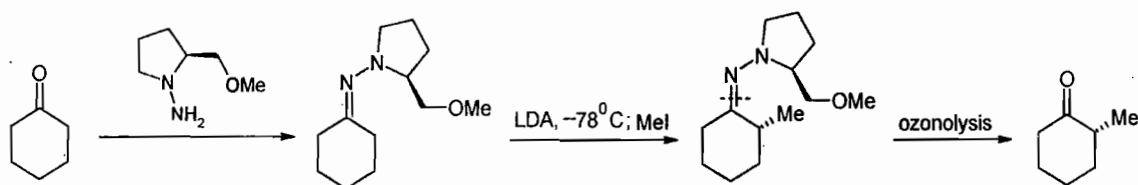
24) Ans (d):- First step is a reduction of an azide into the primary amine by using triphenylphosphine in water. In next step  $\text{NH}_2$  group is protected benzyl chloroformate ( $\text{BnOCOCl}$ ) and weak base. Third step is oxymercuration reaction to give an alcohol which undergoes cyclodehydration reaction.



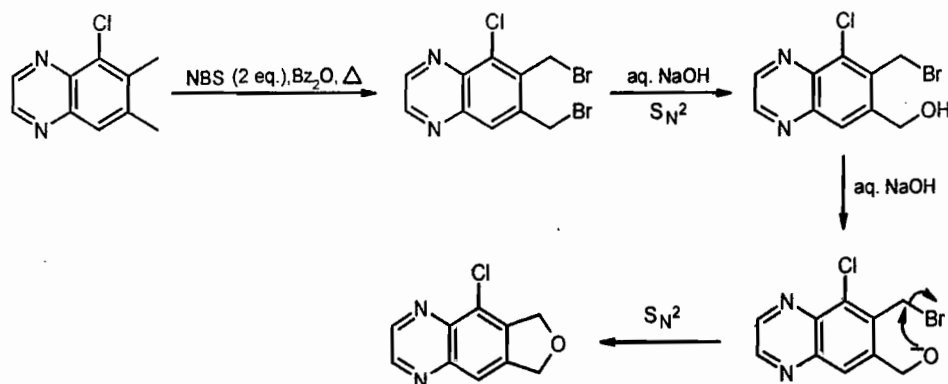
25) Ans (c):- First step is the Suzuki reaction (A reaction that couples an aryl, benzyl, or vinyl halide with an organoborane in a basic solution). Next step is cyclization & aromatisation to give substituted indol.



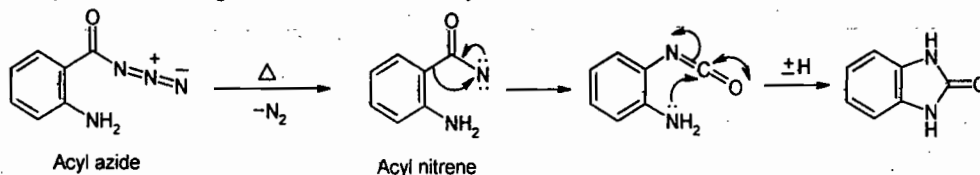
26) Ans (a):- First step is an oxime formation. Next step is methylation from the bottom face of enamine ion. Last step is ozonolysis of imine to ketone.



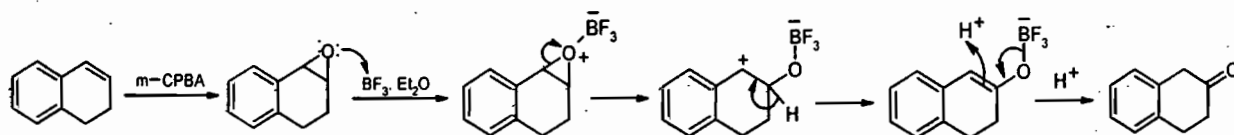
27) Ans (d):- *N*-bromo succinimide with radical initiator (here initiated by dibenzoyl peroxide,) is a versatile and commonly used reagent for allylic/benzylic bromination of alkenes to give allylic bromides. Second step is a simple nucleophilic substitution reaction to form cyclic product.



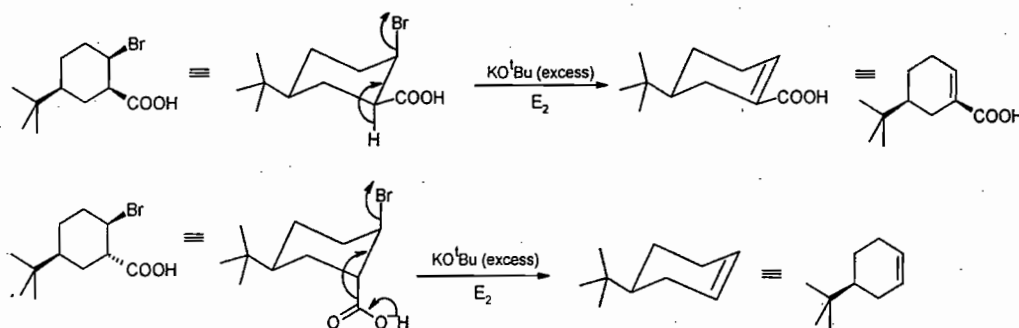
28) Ans (d):- Curtius Rearrangement - Formation of isocyanates by thermal decomposition (pyrolysis) of acyl azides. Reaction proceeds through an intermediate acyl nitrene.



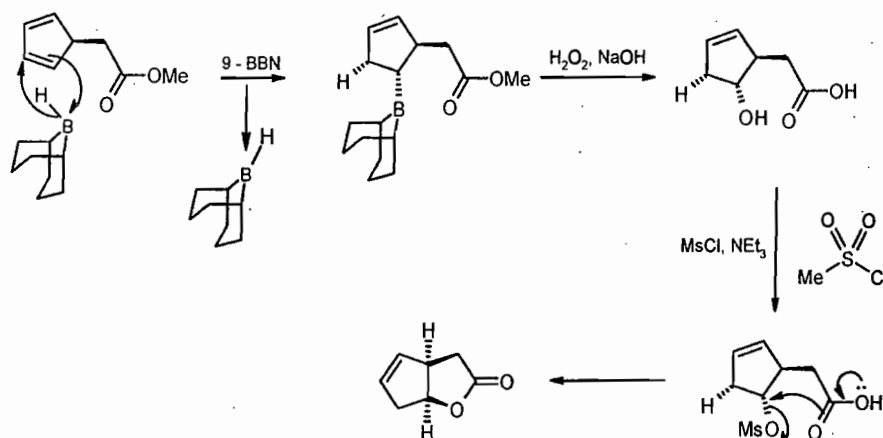
29) Ans (d):- First step is epoxidation of alkene. Epoxide opens in presence of Lewis acid to form an alkene via formation of a more stable benzylic carbocation.



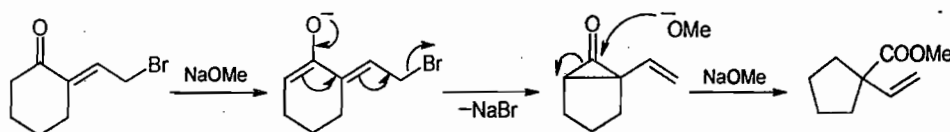
30) **Ans (b):-** An  $E_2$  reaction involves the removal of two groups from adjacent carbons. It is a concerted reaction because the two groups are eliminated in the same step. The bonds to the groups to be eliminated must be in the same plane that is either antiperiplanar or synperiplanar. Therefore in first reaction gives dehydrohalogenation reaction ( $-H$  &  $-Br$  are anti-periplanar to each other). While in second reaction decarboxylation & loss of bromide is take place ( $-COOH$  &  $-Br$  are anti-periplanar to each other).



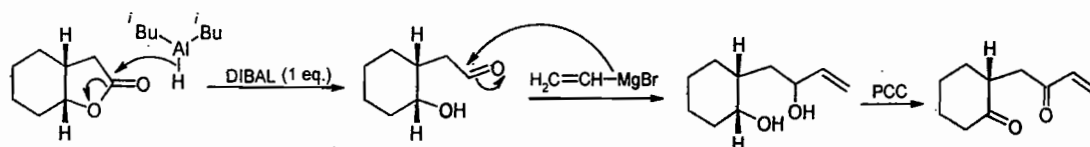
31) **Ans (b):-** Here 9-BBN add on opposite face of diene substituent & give an alcohol on oxidation. Methanesulfonyl chloride convert the hydroxyl into a good leaving group & result in cis-lactone formation by intramolecular nucleophilic reaction



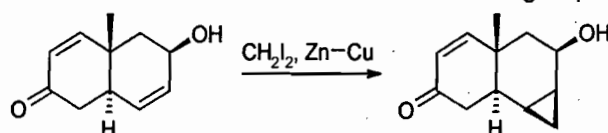
32) **Ans (b):-** It is an example of Favorskii rearrangement (rearrangement of an  $\alpha$ -halo ketone to carboxylic acids or their derivatives).



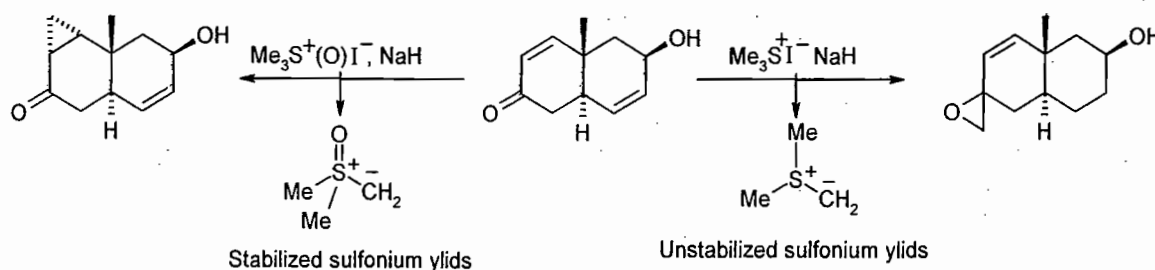
33) **Ans (a):-** One equivalents of DIBAL-H reduces lactones (cyclic esters) into lactols which rearrange into the aldehyde. In the next step of Grignard reagents adds to aldehyde to give alcohols. In last step pyridinium chlorochromate oxidizes the alcohol to ketone.



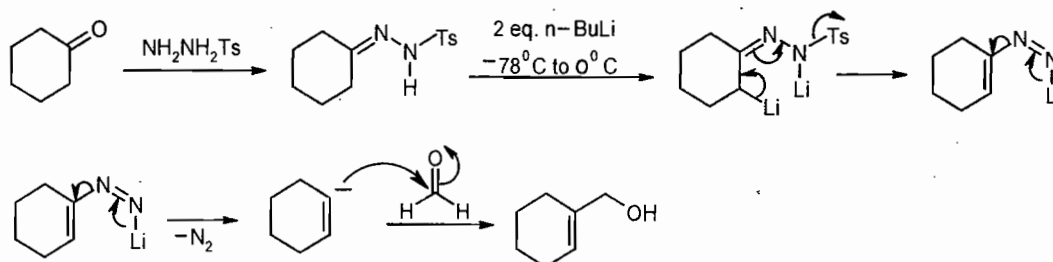
34) **Ans (b):-** The Simmons-Smith ( $CH_2I_2, Zn-Cu$ ) adds to electron rich alkene and produce cyclopropanes. When an allylic alcohol is cyclopropanated by Simmons-Smith ( $CH_2I_2, Zn-Cu$ ), the new methylene group adds stereoselectively to the same face of the double bond as the alcohol group.



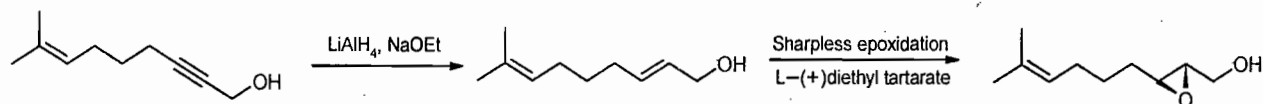
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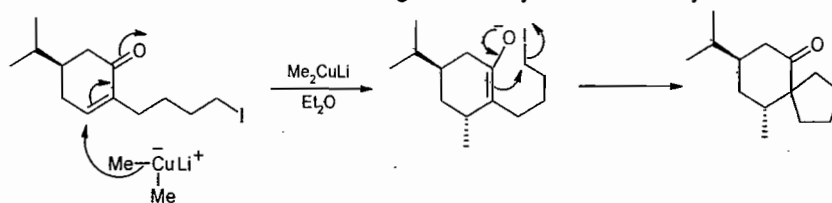
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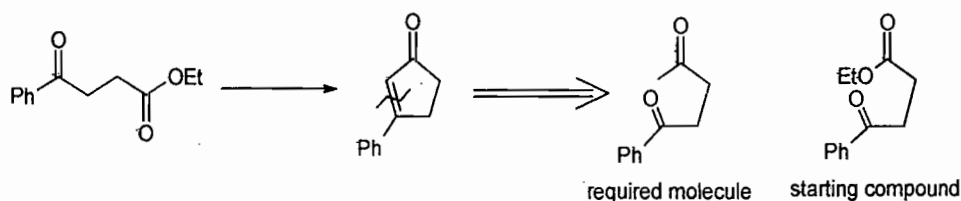
36) Ans (c):- First step is partial reduction of triple bond to trans alkene by  $\text{LiAlH}_4$ . Next step is Sharpless asymmetric epoxidation of allyl alcohol. D-(-)-diethyl tartrate delivers oxygen to top face of alkene & L-(+)-diethyl tartrate delivers oxygen to bottom face of alkene



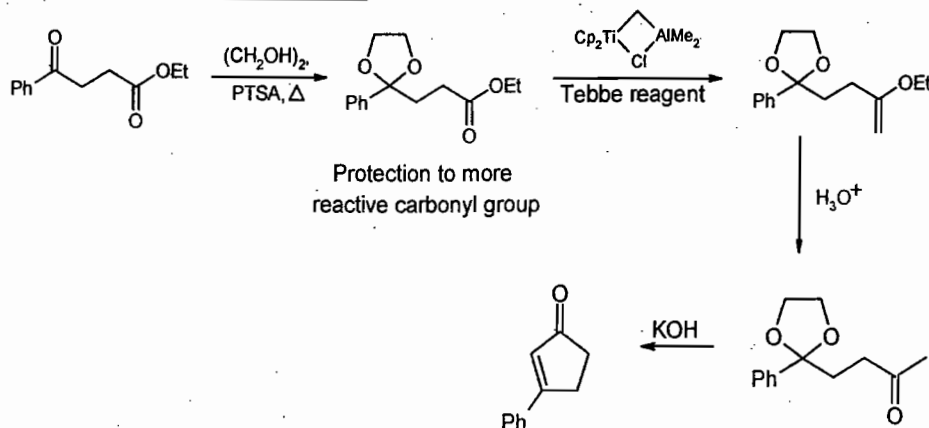
37) Ans (d):- Alkylcuprate undergoes conjugate addition when react with unsaturated  $\alpha,\beta$ - aldehydes and ketones. Lithium enolate formed in the reaction undergoes C-alkylation with alkyl halide



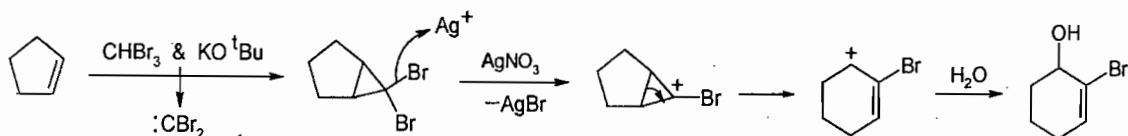
38) Ans (a):- Tebbe reagent, carry out the methylenation of carbonyl compounds, ester & even amide. Protection is must to carry out the reaction at less-reactive carbonyl group. (ketones are more reactive than ester). Last step is intramolecular aldol condensation reaction.



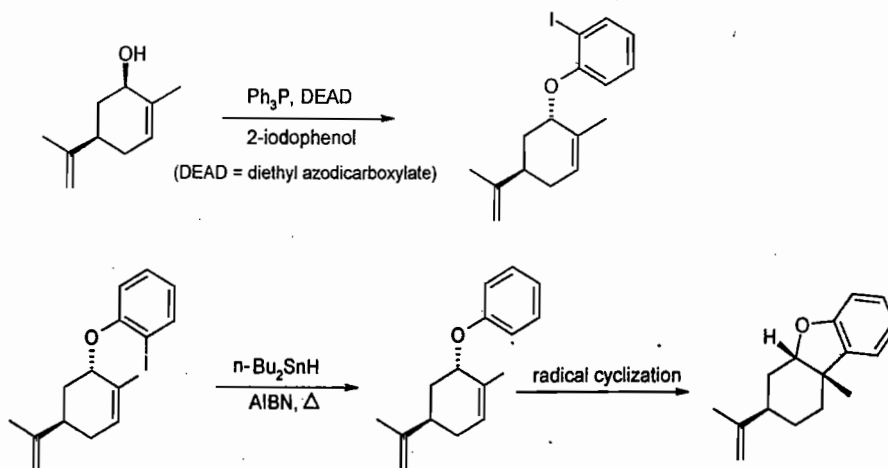
sequence of reagent & reaction:-



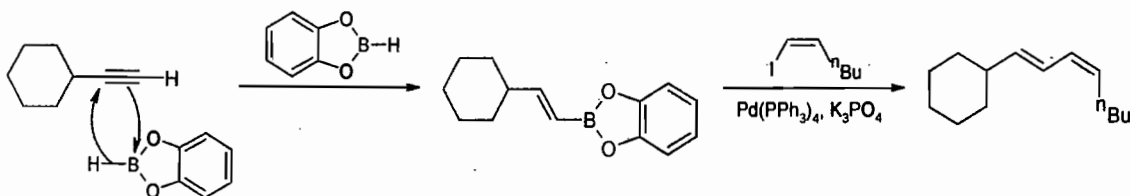
39) Ans (c):- First step is base-catalysed elimination of HBr from  $\text{CHBr}_3$  gives a  $:\text{CBr}_2$  & addition of  $:\text{CBr}_2$  to cyclopentene. Next step is a formation of carbocation which is attacked by water molecule.



40) Ans (a):- First step is the Mitsunobu reaction:- A reaction give inversion of configuration at secondary alcohol by nucleophile. Next step is intramolecular radical cyclization.

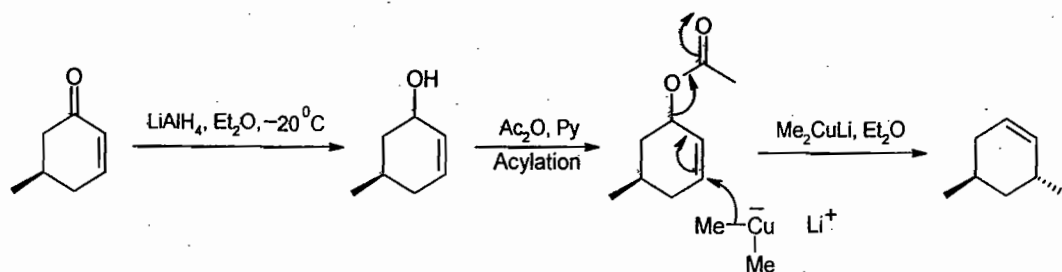


41) Ans (b):- First step is the hydroboration of an alkyne with catecholborane, The borane adds to less hindered side of alkynes and addition of boron and hydrogen occurs *cis* stereospecifically. Second step is the Suzuki coupling couples boronic acids to halides that is vinyl boronate with a vinyl iodide.

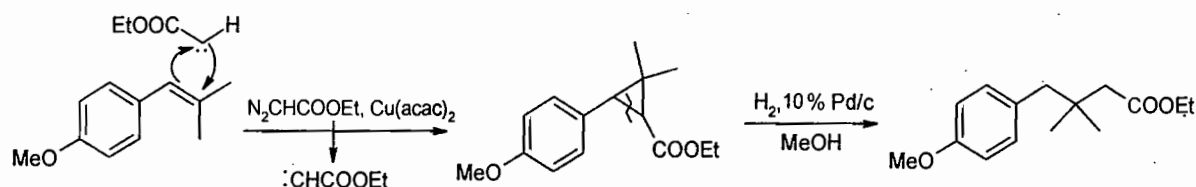


42) Ans (c):-  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  often reduces double bond along with carbonyl compound in  $\alpha,\beta$ -aldehydes and ketones. but selective reduction of the carbonyl group can generally be achieved by working at low temperatures. In next step acylation of hydroxyl group by acetic anhydride & pyridine (base). In last step Gilman reagent approaches from the less hindered side & elimination of acyl group takes place to give desired product

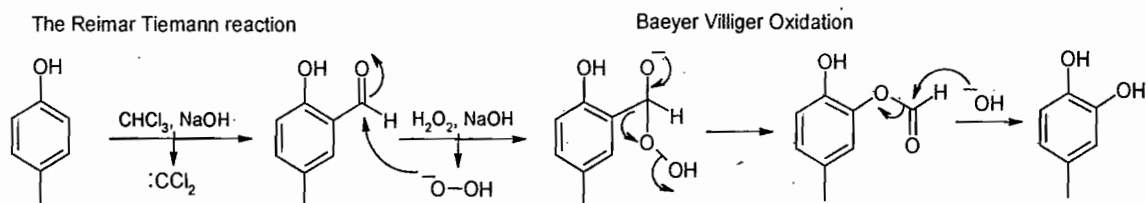




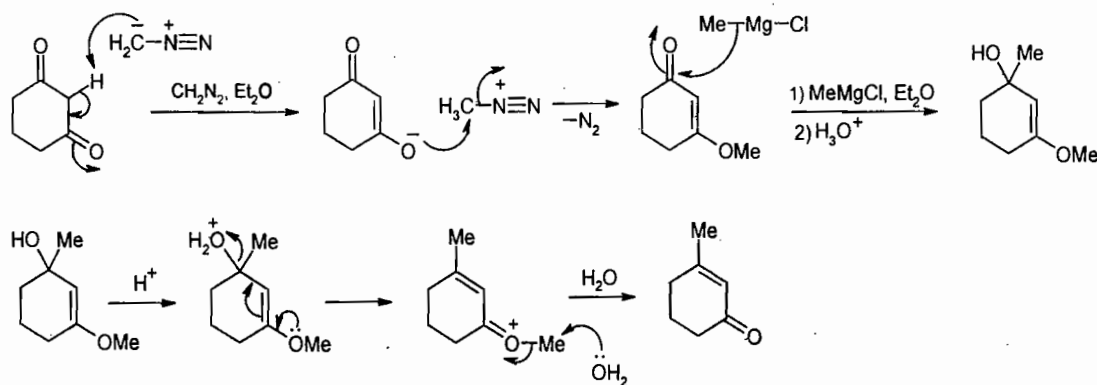
43) Ans (a):- In first step carbene is generated by metal-catalysed decomposition of ethyl diazoacetate. Carbene form cyclopropane ring with alkene double bond.  $H_2, Pd/C$  reduces cyclopropane ring to the less hindered C-C bond.



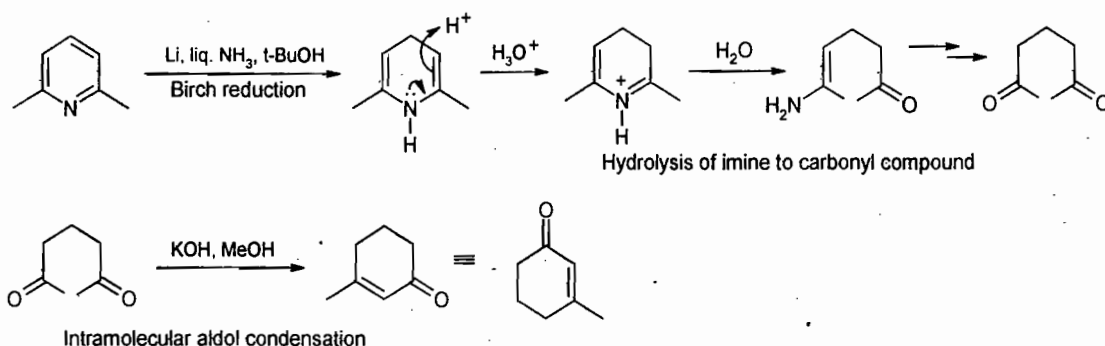
44) Ans (b):- First step is Reimer-Tiemann reaction & is used to carry out a formylation of electron rich aromatic compounds like phenols & next step is Bayer Villiger type oxidation reaction.



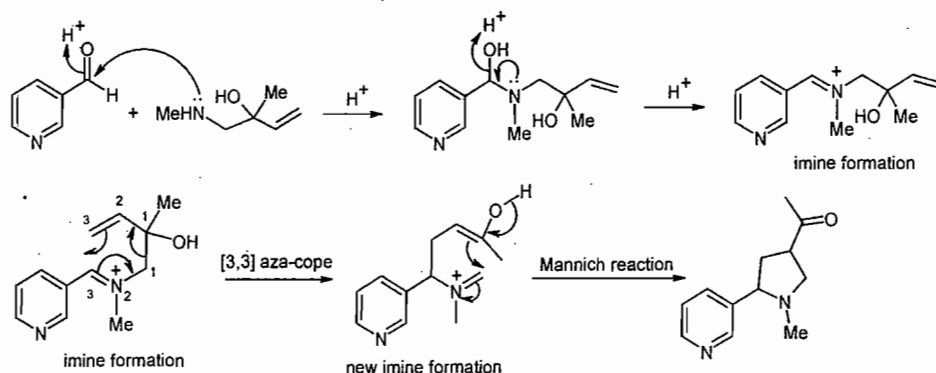
45) Ans (a):- In first step diazomethane remove acid hydrogen atom to form an extremely unstable diazonium cation & enolate & then result in O-methylation. In next Hard nucleophiles(Grignard reagent) react with hard electrophiles (carbonyl group) to form allyl alcohol which rearrange in acidic condition



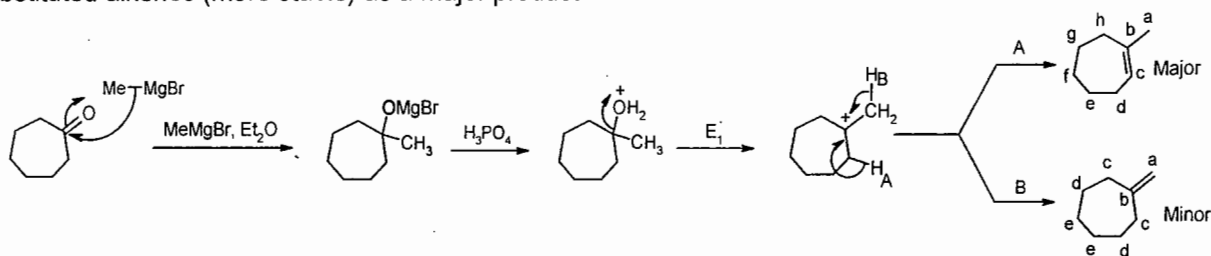
46) Ans (b):- Birch reduction of pyridines gives 1,4- dihydropyridines which are readily hydrolysed to 1,5-dicarbonyl compounds. 1,5-dicarbonyl compounds undergo intramolecular aldol condensation under basic condition.



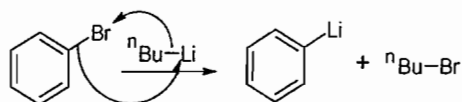
47) Ans (a):- The transformation involves an iminium ion, [3,3]-sigmatropic shift (aza cope) and Intramolecular Mannich reaction (reaction of enol with imine)



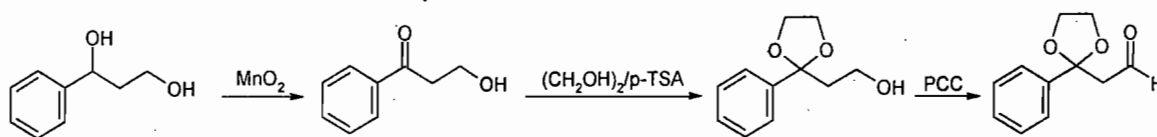
48) Ans (d):- In first step is the Grignard reagent adds to ketones to give tertiary alcohols. Tertiary alcohol readily undergoes dehydration with dehydrating agent like  $H_3PO_4$  or  $H_2SO_4$  via  $E_1$  elimination to give More substituted alkenes (more stable) as a major product.



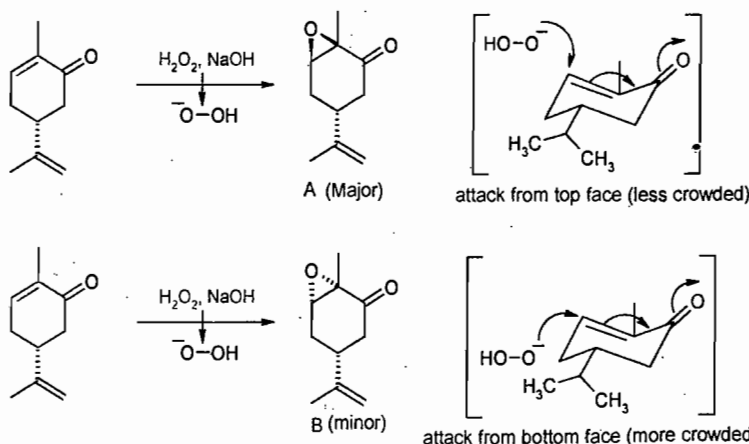
49) Ans (d):- The treatment of PhBr with  $n\text{-BuLi}$  yields PhLi +  $n\text{-BuBr}$ . Here butyllithiums remove halogen atom from aryl halides & reaction is known as halogen-metal exchange.



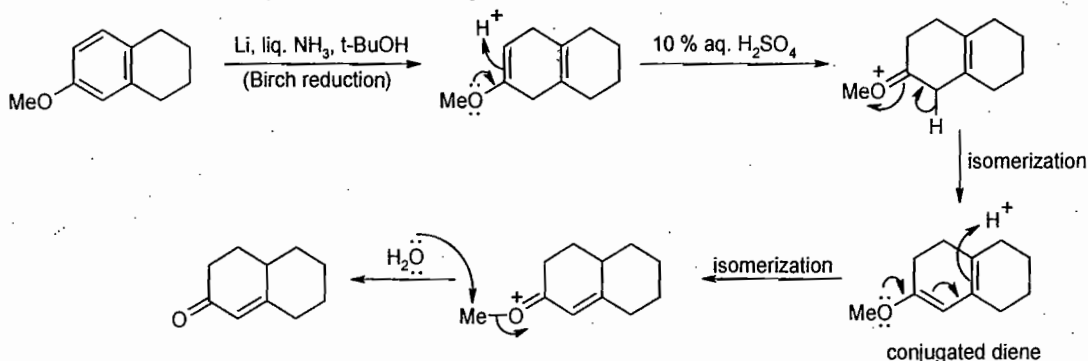
50) Ans (a):- PCC (Pyridinium Chlorochromate  $[\text{PyH}]^+[\text{CrO}_3\text{Cl}]^-$  & Jones' reagent ( $\text{CrO}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) oxidizes both benzylic & primary alcohol; so we cannot use them in first step otherwise  $(\text{CH}_2\text{OH})_2/p\text{-TSA}$  will form acetal with more reactive aldehyde rather than ketone. While manganese dioxide ( $\text{MnO}_2$ ) oxidizes only allylic or benzylic hydroxyl groups into the ketones. Therefore the appropriate sequence of reactions is  $\text{MnO}_2$ ;  $(\text{CH}_2\text{OH})_2/p\text{-TSA}$ ; PCC



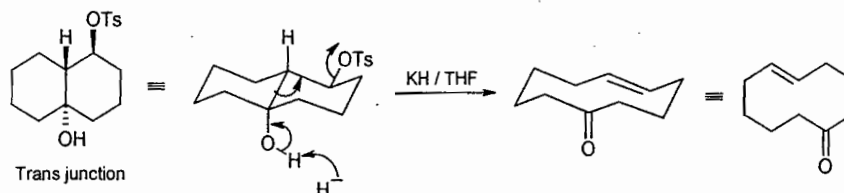
51) Ans (d):- Epoxidation of  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes and ketones is achieved by aq.  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2/\text{NaOH}$ . In this reaction hydroperoxide anion attack from top face of alkene (less crowded).



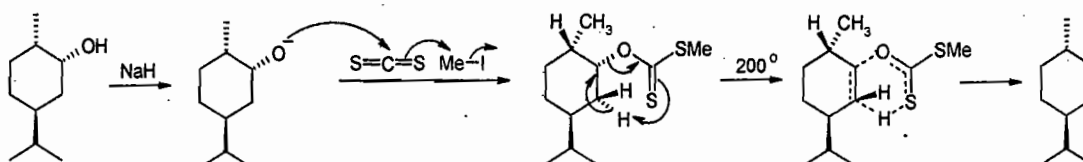
**52) Ans (d):-** In Birch reduction, 1,4 reduction of aromatic ring occur at ortho & meta position w.r.to electron donating group (regioselective). However, the product formed undergoes isomerization & hydrolysis to give  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated ketone in presence of strong acidic condition.



**53) Ans (d):-** The reaction is an example of the Grob fragmentation and takes place in a concerted manner to give an alkene. The stereochemistry of an alkene in a product is governed by the relative orientation of the groups in the starting compound. When tosyloxy group and the adjacent ring junction hydrogen atom are *cis*, it will give *E*-5-cyclodecenone in high yield, whereas when tosyloxy group and the adjacent ring junction hydrogen atom are *trans*, it will give *Z*-5-cyclodecenone in high yield.

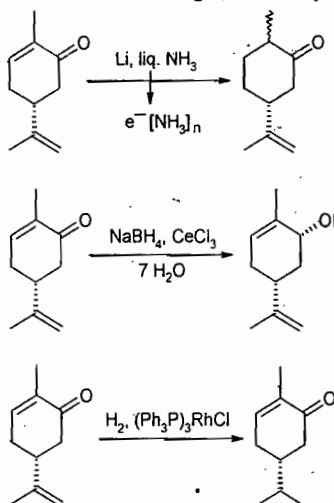


**54) Ans (a):-** The reaction is an example of Pyrolytic syn eliminations of xanthates. Pyrolytic elimination reactions take place in a concerted manner at elevated temperature, by way of a six-membered cyclic transition state which is possible only when  $\beta$ -hydrogen & leaving group are syn-periplanar to each other that is syn stereochemistry.

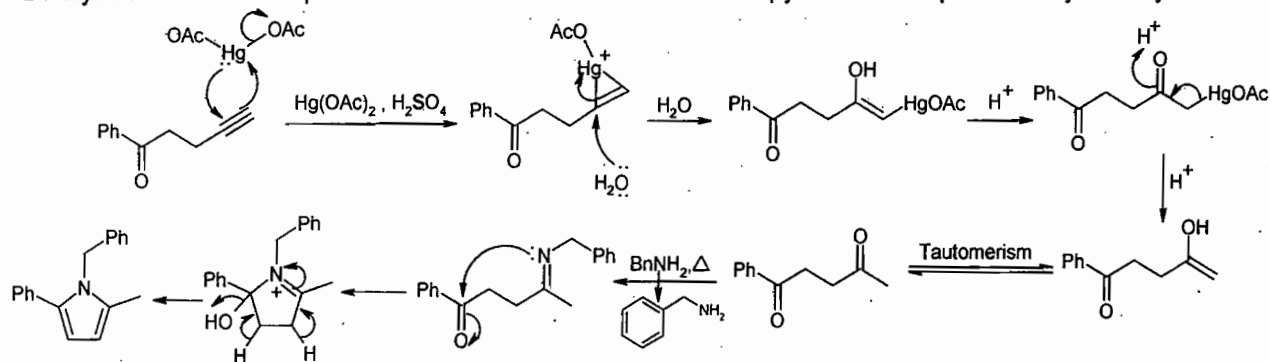


**55) Ans (a):-** The problem is based on chemoselectivity of reagents (selectivity for one functional group over another)

- $\text{Li/liq. NH}_3$  reduces the C-C double bond in  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes and ketones
- $\text{NaBH}_4, \text{CeCl}_3 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ; reduces the C=O bond (carbonyl) group in  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes or ketones.
- $\text{H}_2, (\text{Ph}_3\text{P})_3\text{RhCl}$  (Wilkinson's catalyst) is used for homogeneous hydrogenation of isolated multiple bond.

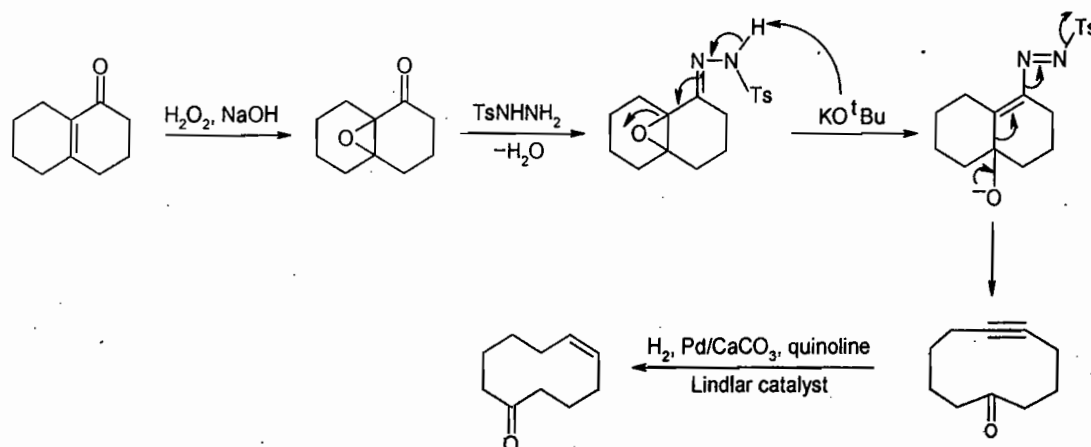


6) Ans (d):- First step is Oxymercuration of alkyne to give a ketone. Next step is condensation reaction of ketone with Benzyl amine. In last step formation of five-membered aromatic pyrrole is take place via cyclodehydration.

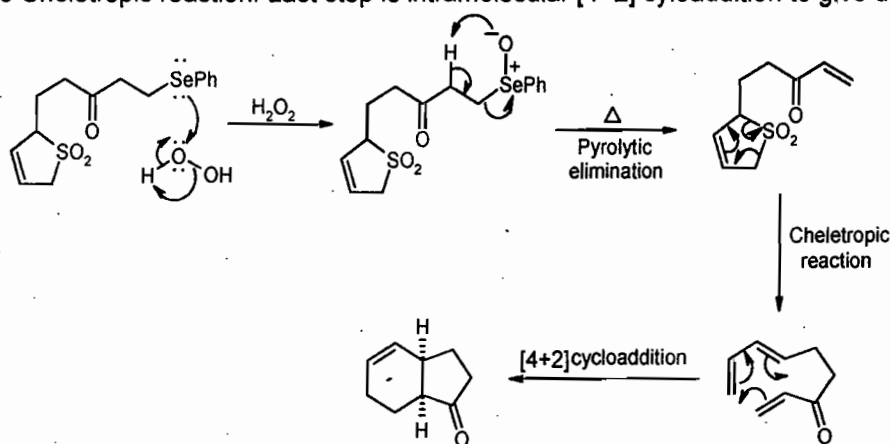


7) Ans (b):- First step is Epoxidation of  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated ketones by aq.  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2/\text{NaOH}$ . In second step formation of the tosylhydrazone from the epoxy-ketone & followed by opening of the epoxide under basic condition gives alkoxide anion. Alkoxide anion then undergoes the Grob fragmentation & give a triple bond via irreversible concerted loss of a  $\text{Ts}^-$  and  $\text{N}_2$ .

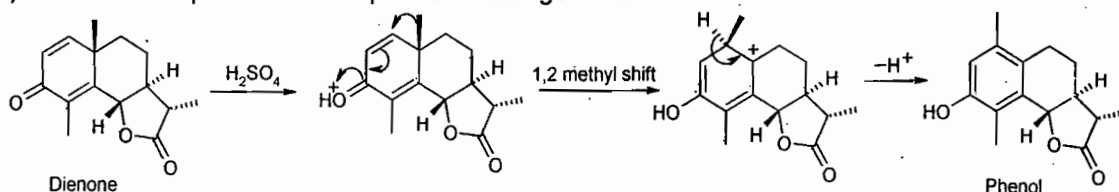
Last step is a partial reduction of triple bond to cis alkene by Lindlar's catalyst



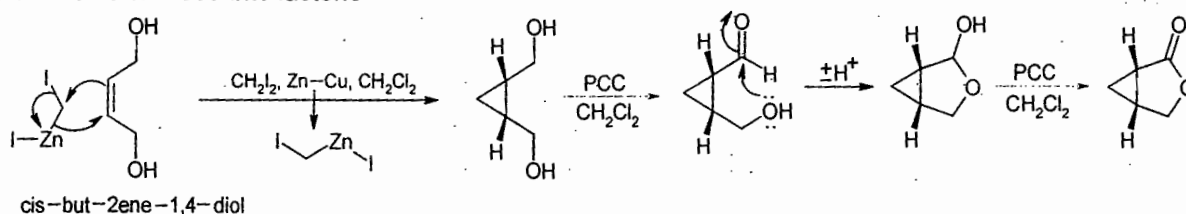
58) Ans (d):- First step is oxidation of phenylselenenyl to selenoxide which at elevated temperature undergo pyrolytic elimination & retro Chelotropic reaction. Last step is intramolecular [4+2] cycloaddition to give desire product.



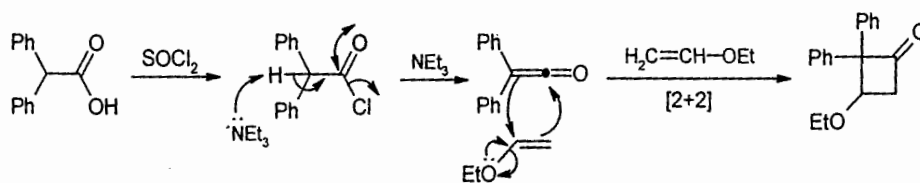
59) Ans (b):- It is an example of dienone-phenol rearrangement



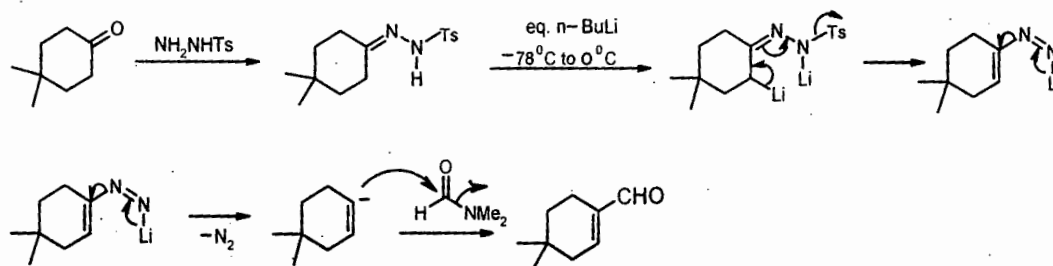
- 60) Ans (a):-** First step is Simmons–Smith reaction, (Addition of Simmons–Smith reagent to alkene to form cyclopropane compounds). In second step PCC (Pyridinium-Chlorochromate  $[\text{PyH}]^+[\text{CrO}_3\text{Cl}]^-$ ) oxidizes the alcohol into the aldehyde which is readily attacked by internal hydroxy group to form lactol. Lactol formed is also oxidized into lactone



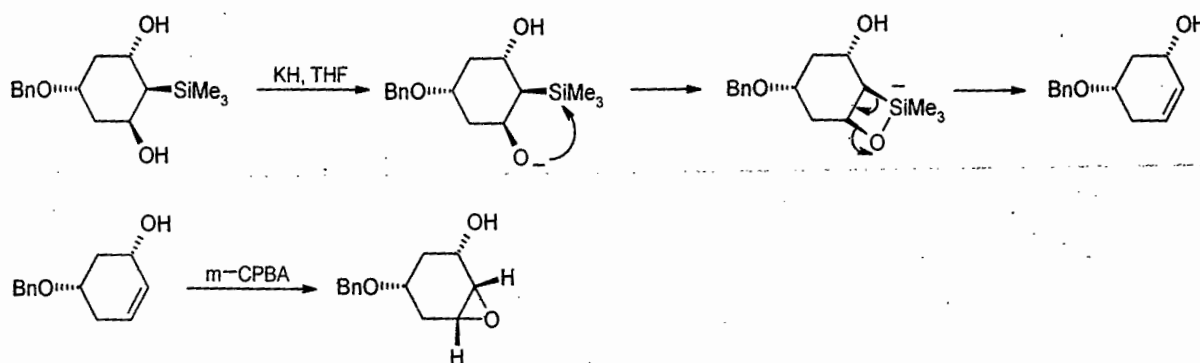
- 61) Ans (b):-**  $\text{SOCl}_2$  converts carboxylic acid into Acid chlorides & base converts it into the ketenes. Last step is thermal [2+2] cycloaddition giving four-membered rings which is possible only when the one of the systems must have two double bonds to the same carbon atom; that is ketene in this case..



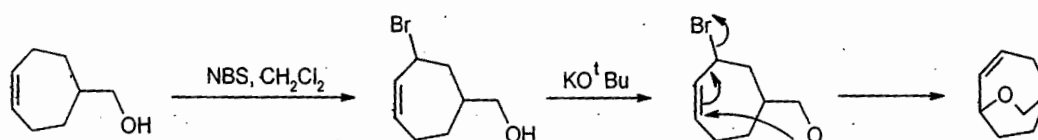
- 62) Ans (a):-** It is an example of Shapiro reaction; (decomposition of the tosyl hydrazones of aliphatic aldehydes or ketones with very strong base, usually butyl lithium or LDA, to give corresponding vinyl lithium). Vinyl lithium then reacts with formaldehyde to give corresponding alcohol



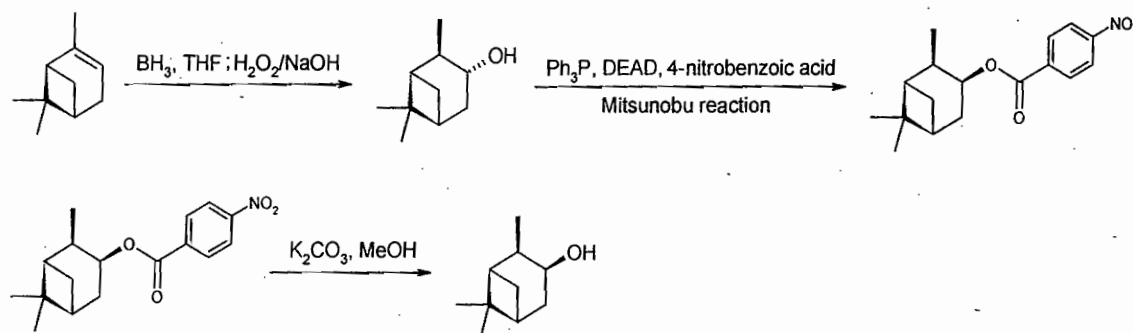
- 63) Ans (b):-** First KH deprotonate the hydroxyl group and the oxyanion attacks the silicon atom intramolecularly & elimination takes place via a syn-periplanar transition state. Next step is epoxidation of alkene by m-CPBA which delivers the oxygen atom stereoselectively to the same face of the double bond as the adjacent alcohol group.



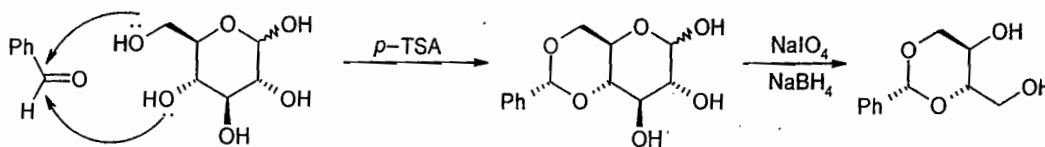
- Ans (b):-** NBS is a bromine radical generator in nonpolar solvents & carry out bromination at the allylic position. Next step is intramolecular nucleophilic substitution of allylic bromide



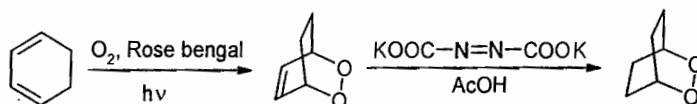
- 65) Ans (a):- First step is a Hydroboration reaction (the conversion of alkenes to alcohols by the syn (cis) addition of water (that is H & OH) with the OH group going to the less substituted end of the alkene. Second step is the Mitsunobu reaction (used to replace OH by another acidic group with inversion of configuration). Last step is base catalyzed hydrolysis of ester



- 66) Ans (a):- First step is reaction of benzaldehyde in acid solution forms more stable & energetically favorable acetal with trans decaline system. In next step periodate ions oxidatively cleave the C-C bond between the two oxygen substituents which on treatment with NaBH<sub>4</sub> gives product

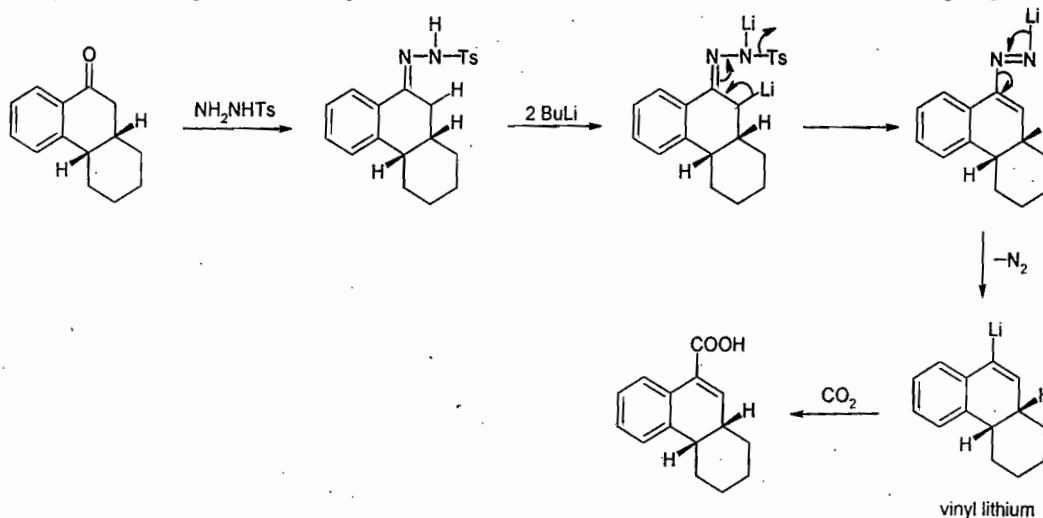


- 67) Ans (b):- Hint:- H<sub>2</sub>/Pd will break the O-O bond.

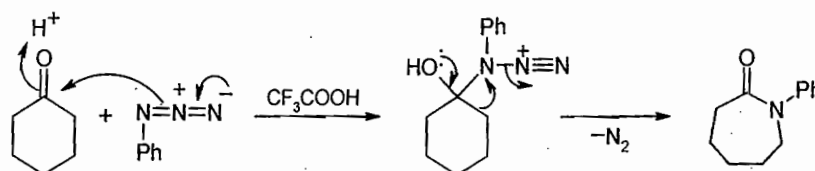


- 68) Ans (c):- The correct combination of reagents (1) NH<sub>2</sub>NHTs; (2) 2 eq. BuLi; (3) CO<sub>2</sub>

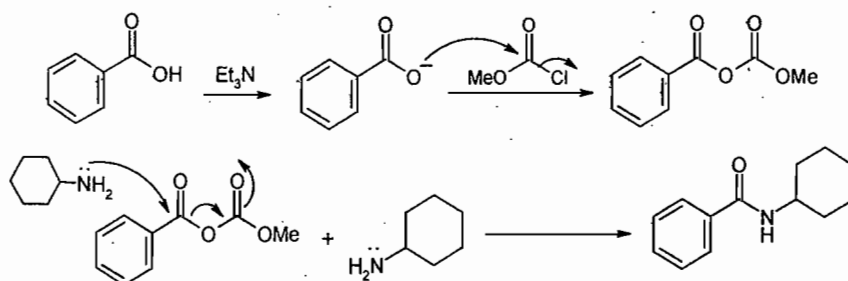
First step is the Shapiro reaction; (decomposition of the tosyl hydrazones of aliphatic aldehydes or ketones with very strong base, usually butyl lithium or LDA, to give corresponding vinyl lithium). In next step carbon dioxide reacts with vinyl lithium to give a carboxylic acid with one more carbon atom than the starting organometallic.



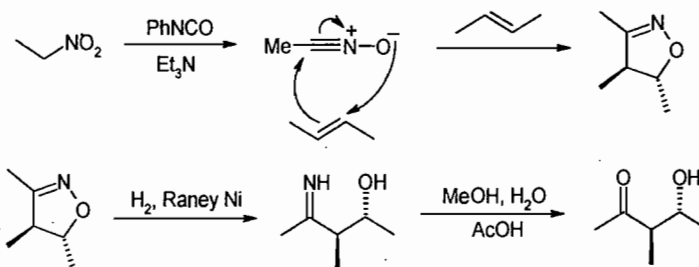
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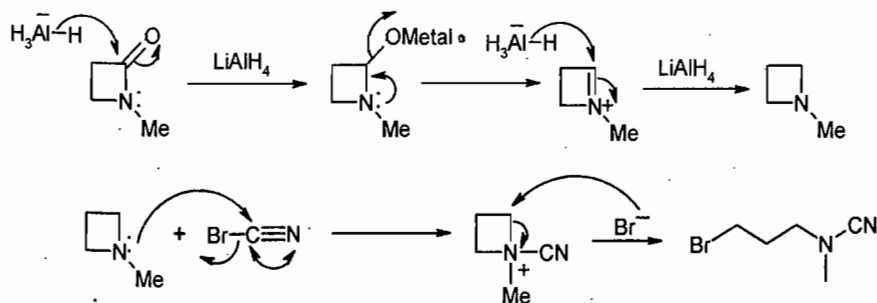
70) Ans (a):- First step is simple nucleophilic substitution on carbonyl carbon with loss of  $\text{Cl}^-$  ( $\text{Cl}^-$  is a better leaving group than  $\text{MeO}^-$ ). Next step is also on nucleophilic substitution on more reactive carbonyl carbon of an anhydride.



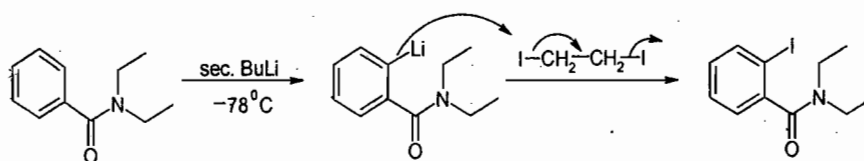
71) Ans (a):- In first step Nitrile oxide is generated by dehydration of primary nitro compounds with phenylisocyanate by treatment with a base. Next step is 1,3 dipolar cycloaddition with an alkene to form an isoxazoline. Last step is reduction of isoxazoline to form a  $\beta$ -hydroxy ketone



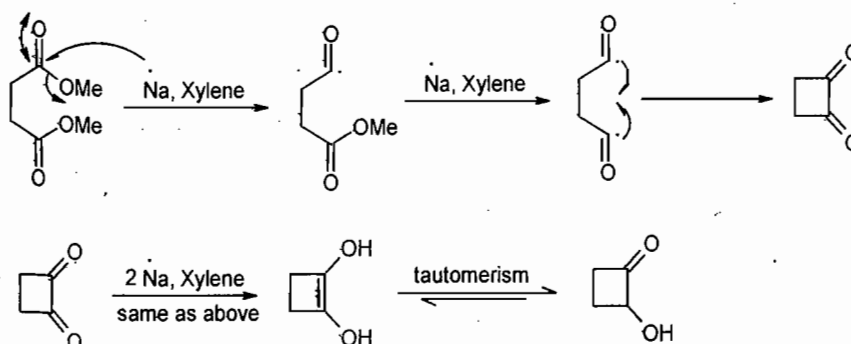
72) Ans (a):- Lithium aluminium hydride reduces amides to amines. In second step lone pair of nitrogen attacks on electrophilic carbon & leads to ring opening.



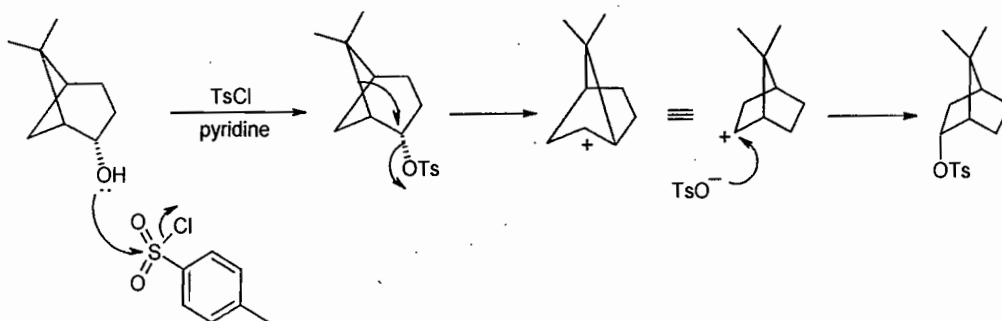
73) Ans (d):- The correct combination of reagents:-  $\text{s-BuLi}$ ,  $-78^\circ\text{C}$  followed by  $\text{ICH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{I}$



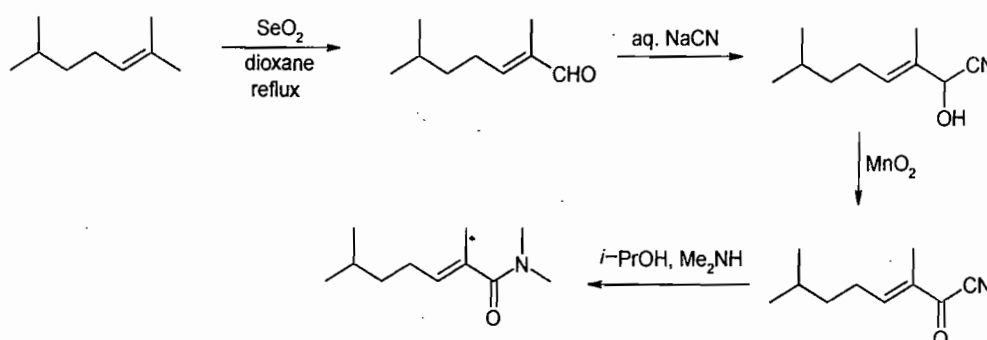
74) Ans (b):- The correct combination of reagents 1) Na, xylene, heat (2)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , NaOH



75) Ans (b):- Toluene-para-sulfonyl chloride (TsCl) is used to convert the -OH (a bad leaving group) into the -OTs (a good leaving group). Endo product is formed to avoid the steric crowding.

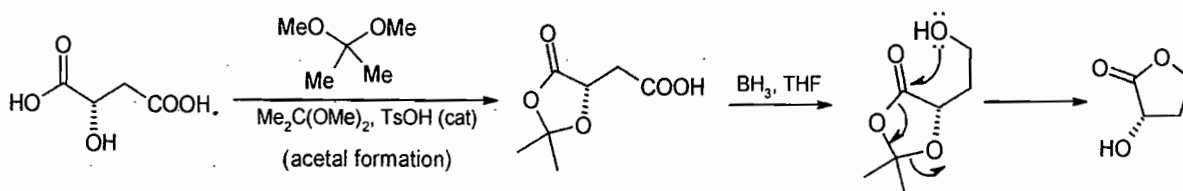


76) Ans (d):- In first step  $\text{SeO}_2$  selectively oxidizes the less substituted allylic end of an alkene that is *E*-methyl group into the aldehyde. In next step aldehyde which reacts with cyanide to give the cyanohydrin. Oxidation of the cyanohydrin with manganese dioxide gives the acyl nitrile, which then reacts with the amine to give an amide by a loss of  $\text{CN}^-$  ion.

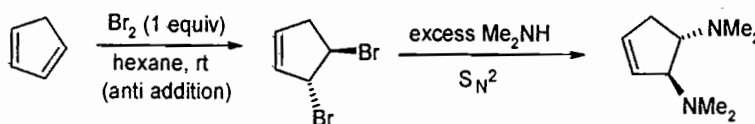


77) Ans (c):- First step is acetal formation.

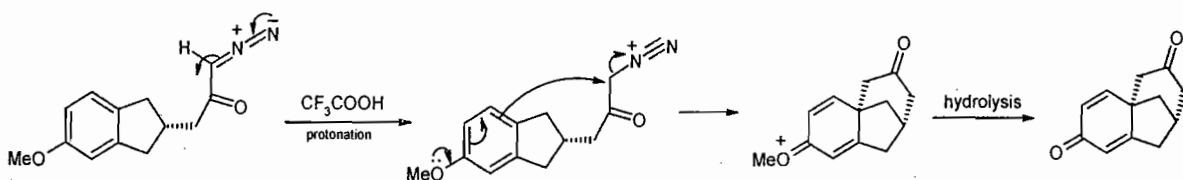
In second step Borane reduces the carboxylic acid to give an alcohol. Borane is a highly chemoselective reagent for the reduction of carboxylic acids in the presence of other reducible functional groups. In the last step opening of acetal via lactone formation.



78) Ans (c):- Addition of bromine with alkene in hexane, gives *anti*-1,2-dibromide; which undergoes nucleophilic substitution reaction with  $\text{Me}_3\text{NH}$ .

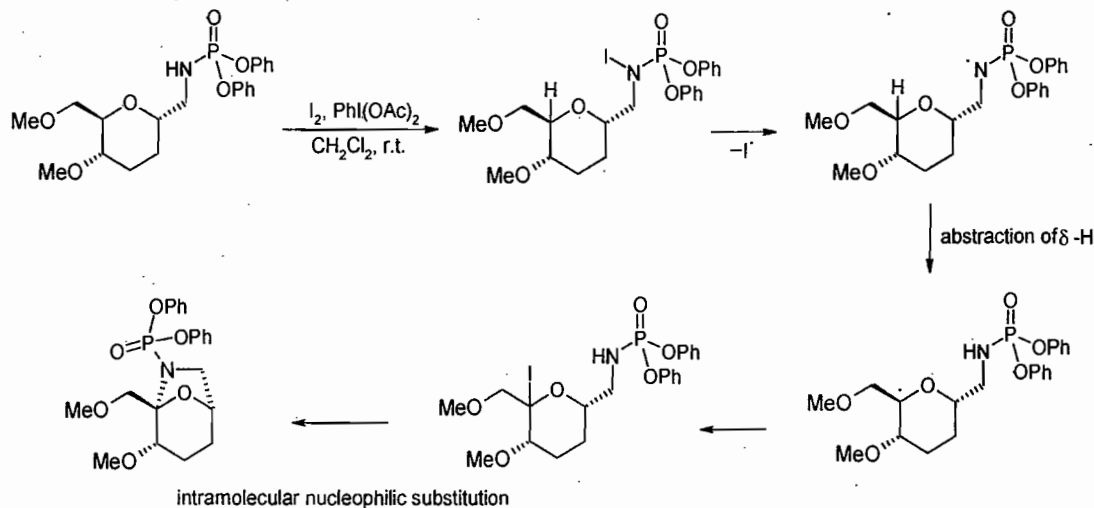


79) Ans (b):- First step is protonation of the diazoketone followed by nucleophilic displacement of nitrogen from the resultant diazonium ion by the double bond or aromatic ring.

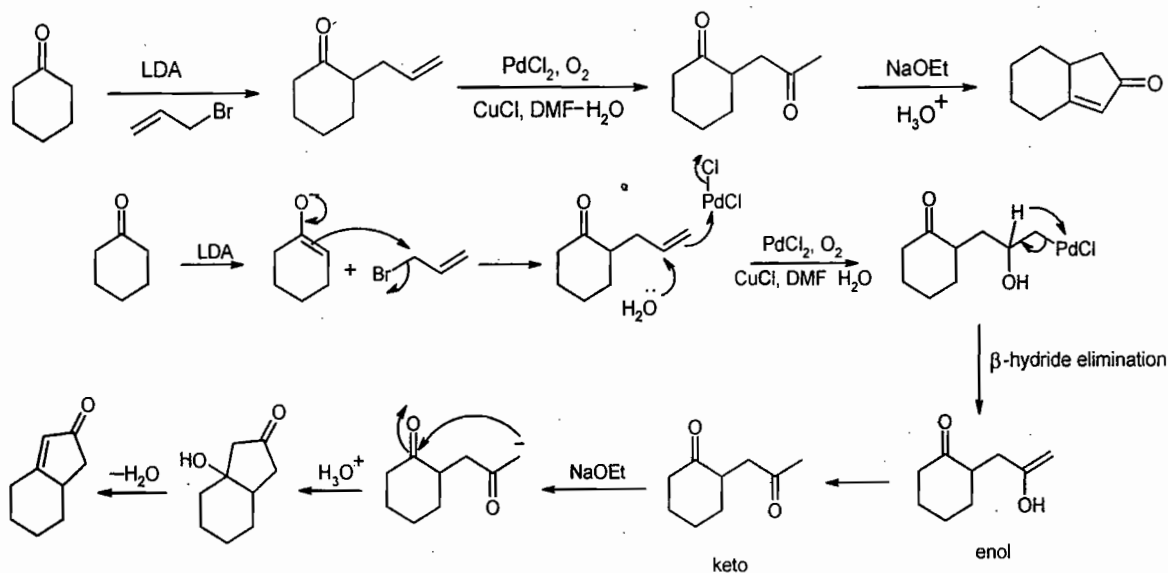




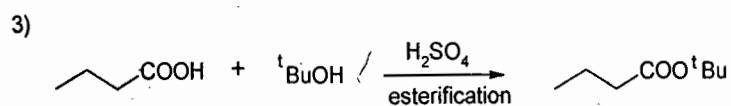
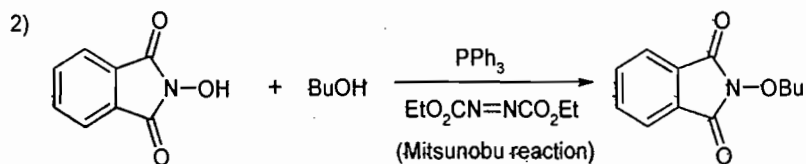
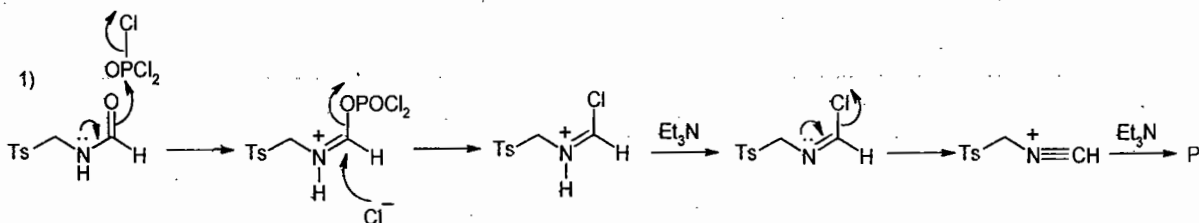
80) Ans (a):- The *N*-iodo compound is generated by reaction with iodine and iodobenzene diacetate. Warming or irradiating the reaction mixture promotes the formation of the nitrogen-centred radical and hence subsequent  $\delta$ -hydrogen atom abstraction. Last step is an intramolecular displacement reaction.



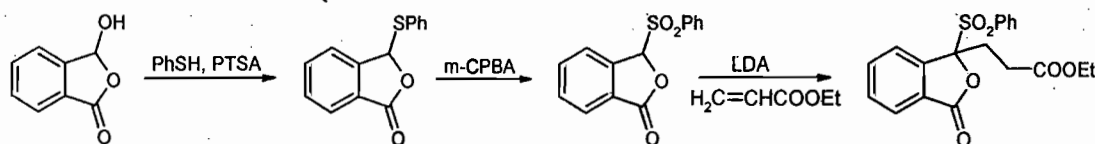
81) Ans (a):- First step is Michael reaction, followed by palladium-catalysed oxidation of the terminal alkene into the methyl ketones (Wacker oxidation). Last step is intramolecular aldol condensation.



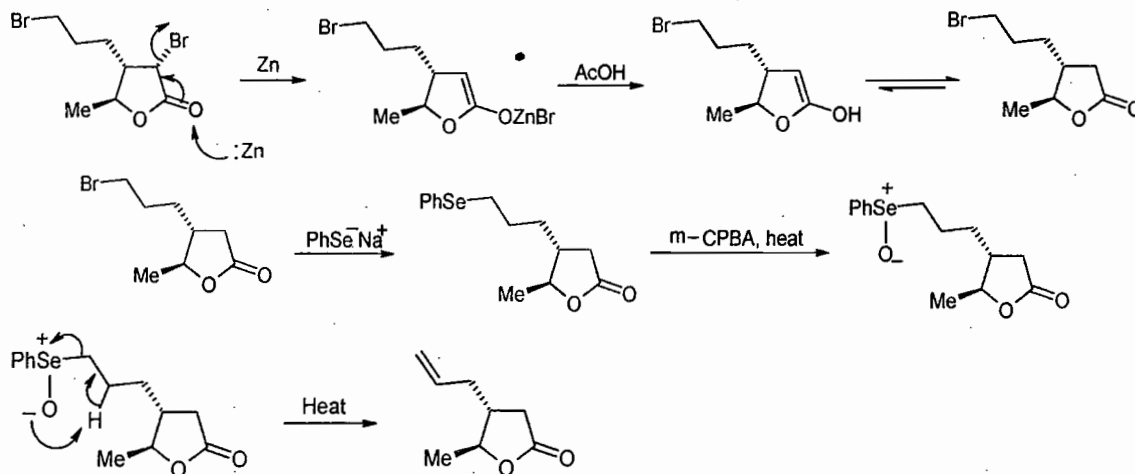
82) Ans (d):- The correct combinations of the reactions and the reagents are:-



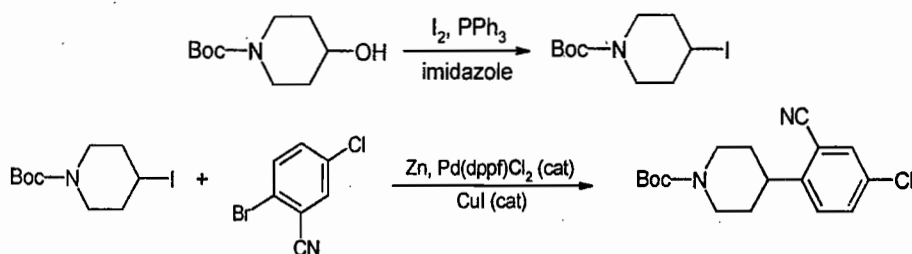
83) Ans (d):- First step is nucleophilic substitution reaction to give sulfide which on oxidation with *m*-CPBA give phenyl sulfones. Last step is Michael reaction



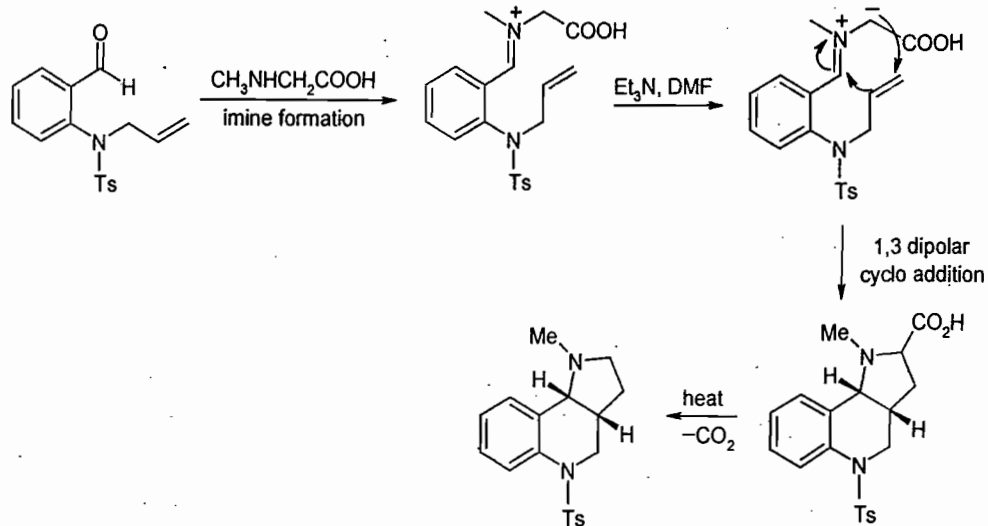
84) Ans (a):- In first step zinc remove halogen & forms a zinc enolate with  $\alpha$ -halo ketone, which is converted into the ketone by the acid. In next step  $\text{PhSe}^-$  substitute Br & oxidized to selenoxides with *m*-CPBA. Last step is elimination step at elevated temperature



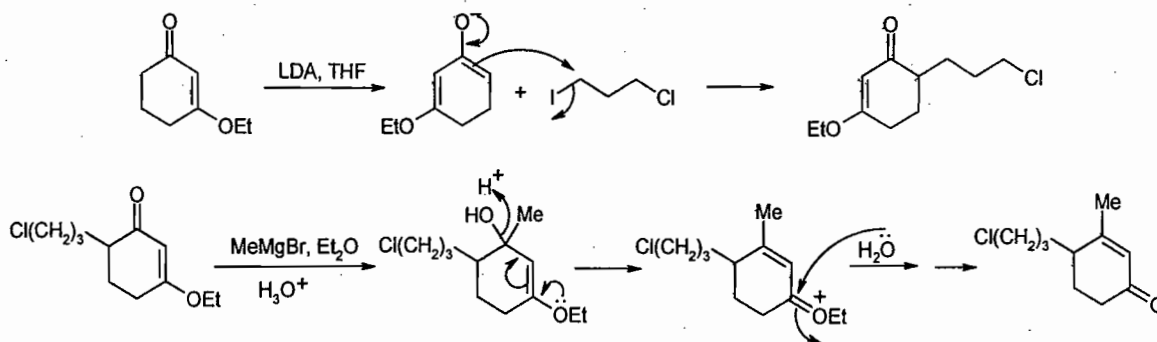
85) Ans (a):- First step is simple & selective reaction for conversion of alcohols to their corresponding iodides using  $\text{PPh}_3/\text{I}_2$  & second step is coupling reactions.



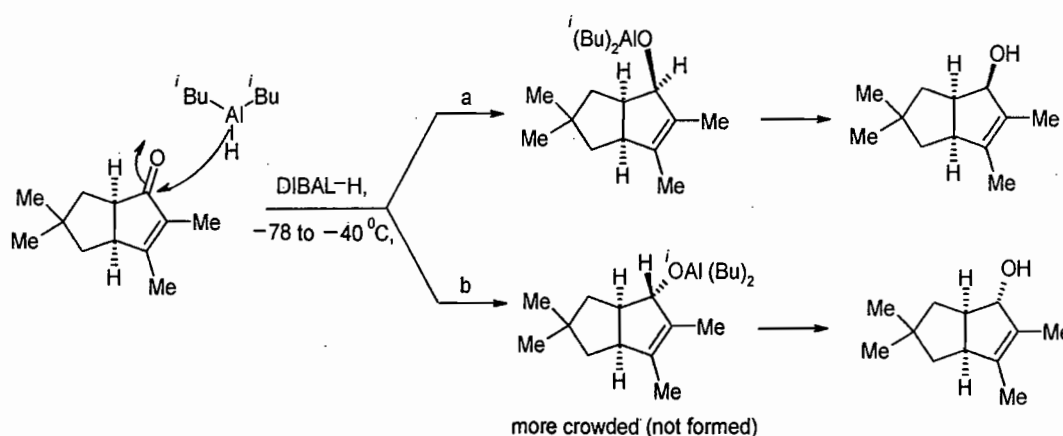
86) Ans (d):- First step is imine ion formation between sec. amine & aldehyde. Imine ion undergoes intramolecular 1,3 dipolar cycloaddition under basic medium. Last step is a decarboxylation & leads formation of the pyrrolidine.



87) Ans (c):- First step is attack of enolate ion on carbon bearing iodine (iodine is better leaving group than chlorine.). In next step of Grignard reagent (hard nucleophile) adds to carbonyl carbon (hard electrophile).

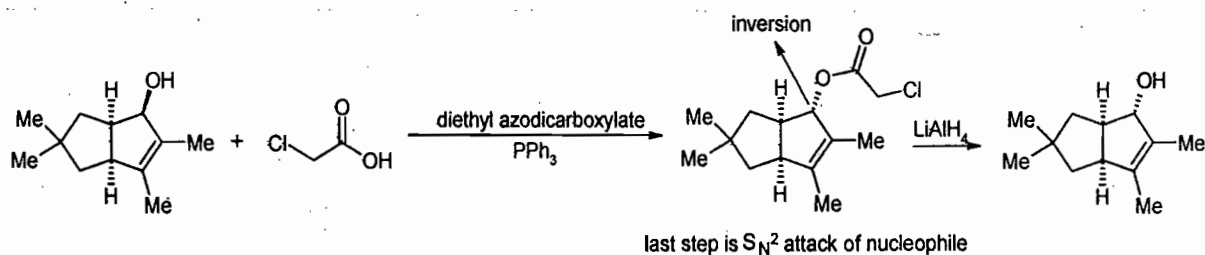


88) Ans (b):- In first step; DIBAL-H reduces  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated carbonyl compounds to allylic alcohols.

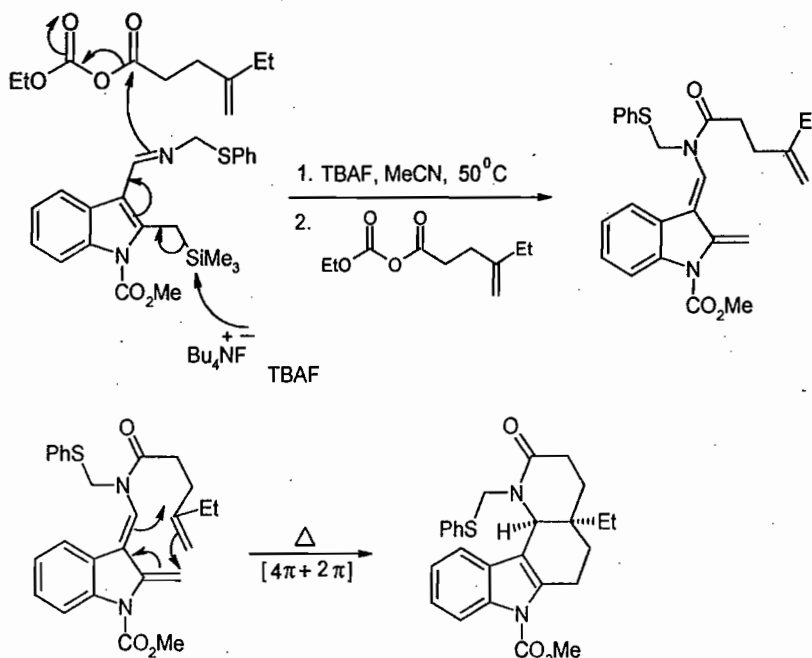


Second step is the Mitsunobu reaction & is used to replace  $-OH$  by another group with inversion of configuration. The nucleophile employed should be acidic, since one of the reagents (DEAD, diethylazodicarboxylate) must be protonated during the course of the reaction.

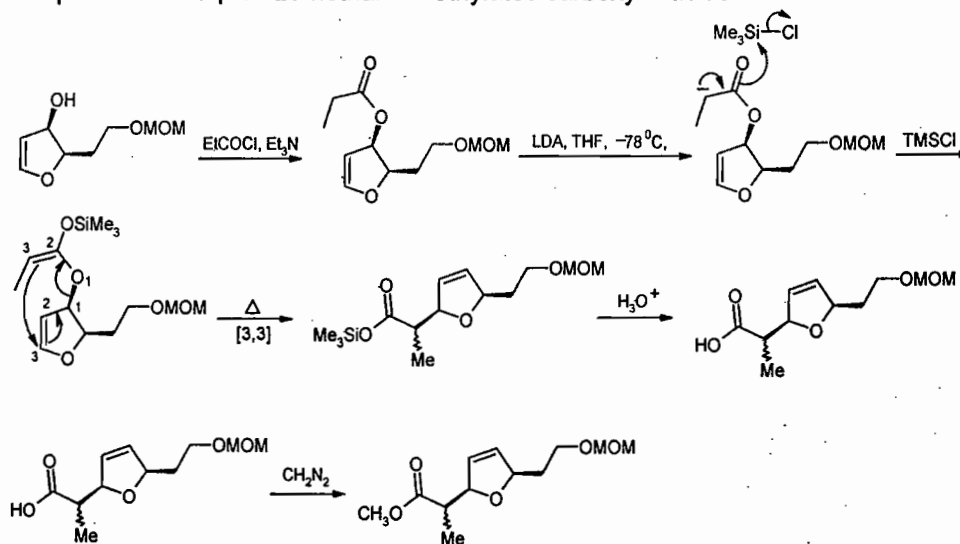
In last step; reduction of ester by  $LiAlH_4$  to give an alcohol.



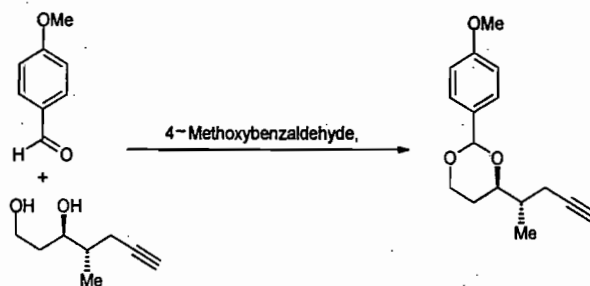
89) Ans (a):- In first step trialkylsilyl group is removed with fluoride salts (TBAF =  $\text{Bu}_4\text{N}^+\text{F}^-$ ) to form a carbanion which via conjugation give N-acylation product. The resultant product on heating undergo  $[4n+2]$  cycloaddition in second step.

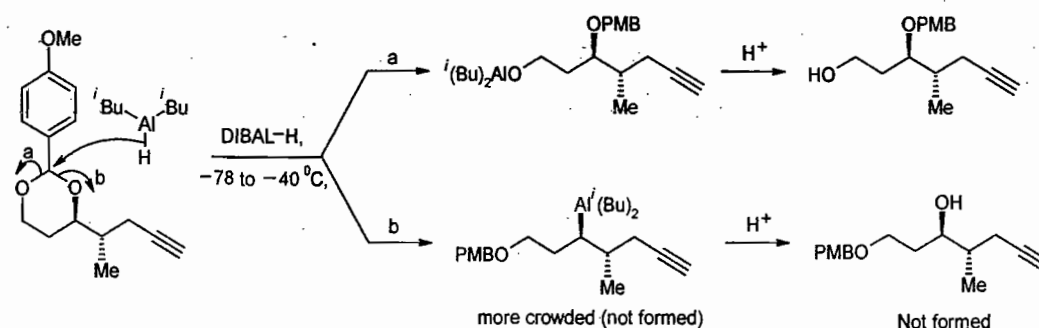


90) Ans (d):- Mechanism for the formation of major product is given below.  $\text{Et}_3\text{N}$  & LDA removes acidic proton in respective steps. In final step diazomethane methylates carboxylic acids

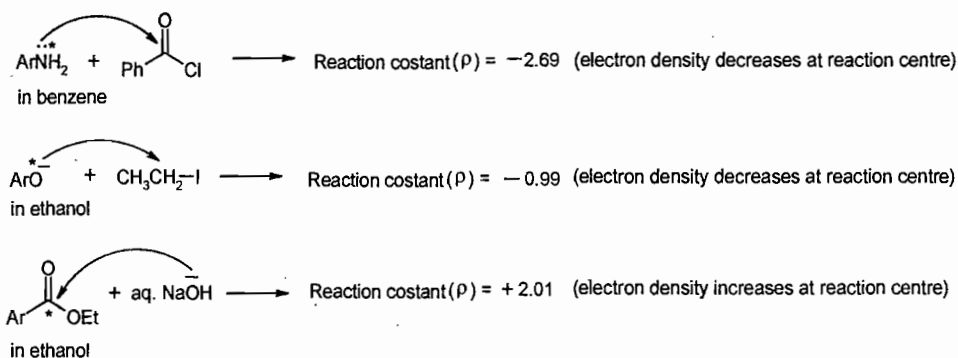


91) Ans (a):- In first step; reaction of 4-methoxybenzaldehyde with diols form six-membered cyclic acetal. In second step DIBAL-H reduces six-membered cyclic acetals & form a less crowded stable tetrahedral intermediate which on protic workup give product.





92) Ans (b):- The Hammett reaction constant ( $\rho$ ) indicate electron density in the transition state at the reaction centre. Positive value of  $\rho$  indicate increase electron density in the transition state at the reaction than in the starting material & negative value of  $\rho$  indicate decrease electron density in the transition state at the reaction centre than in the starting material. (\* indicate the reaction centre)



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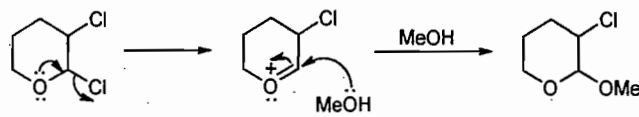
**GATE EXAM (ONE OR TWO MARKS)**

**Topic: - Organic Reaction Mechanism (ORM, Reagents, Rearrangements & Name Reactions)**

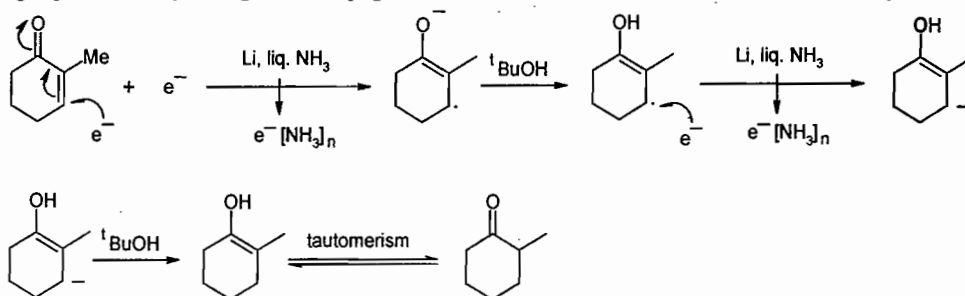
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**Hint & solution of Questions from GATE EXAM**

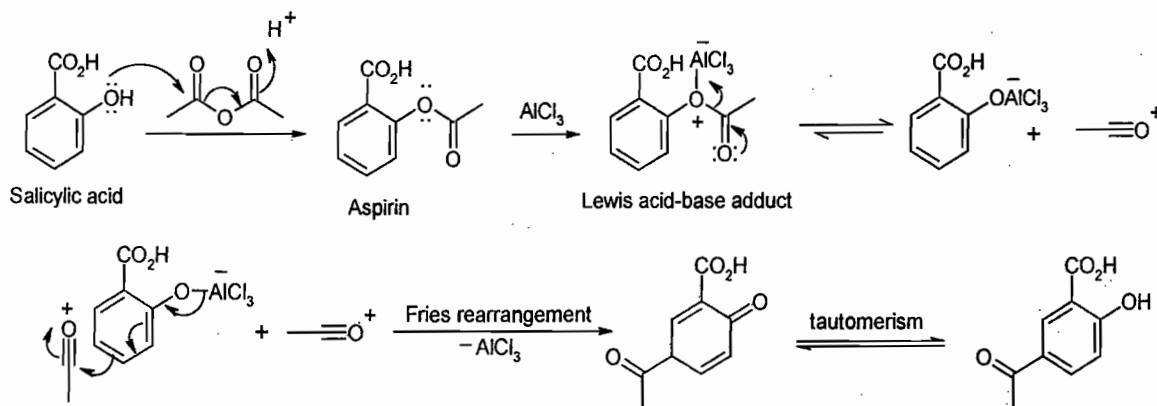
1) Ans (d):- Hint- Oxygen acts as an internal nucleophile .



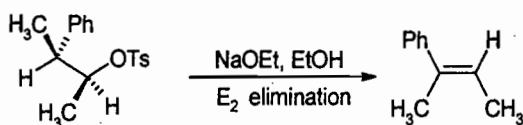
2) Ans (c):- When alkali metals dissolve in ammonia they give electrons (solvated electrons  $e^- [NH_3]_n$ ) & is acts as reducing agent. Li, liq.  $NH_3$  gives conjugate addition when react with unsaturated  $\alpha,\beta$ - ketones.



3) Ans (b):- First step is acylation of salicylic acid to give aspirin which is on heating with Lewis acid undergoes Fries rearrangement.

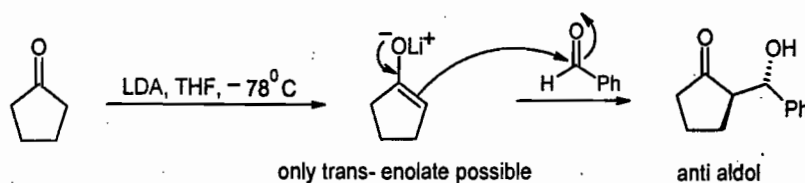
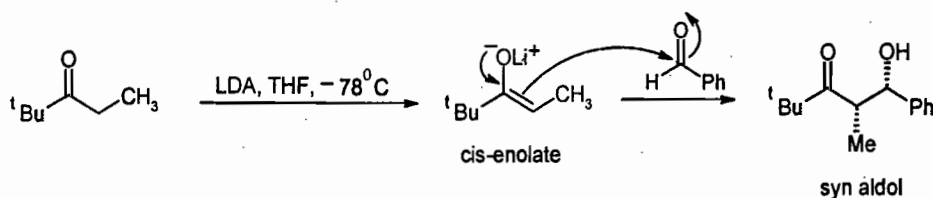


4) Ans (d):- It is a simple  $E_2$  elimination reaction

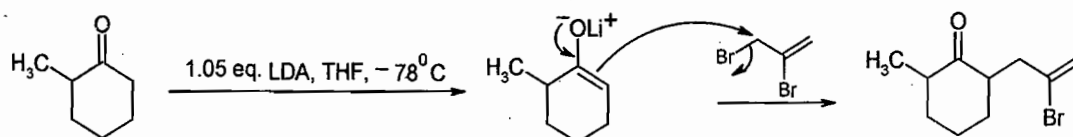


5) Ans (b):- Reactions are based on diastereoselectivity in aldol reactions.

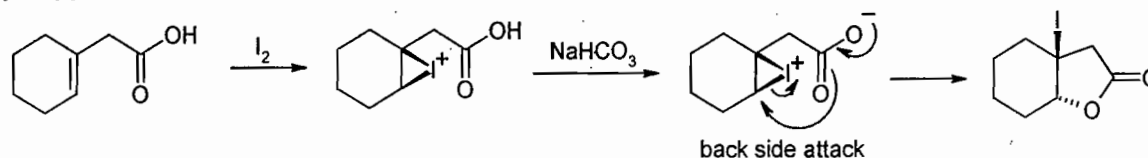
In diastereoselective in aldol reactions generally cis-enolates give syn aldol & trans enolates give anti-aldol product.



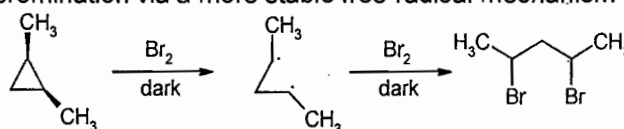
6) Ans (b):- LDA gives less-substituted enolate with unsymmetrical ketone. Enolate attack on allylic carbon bearing leaving group. Nucleophilic attack on vinylic carbon is difficult



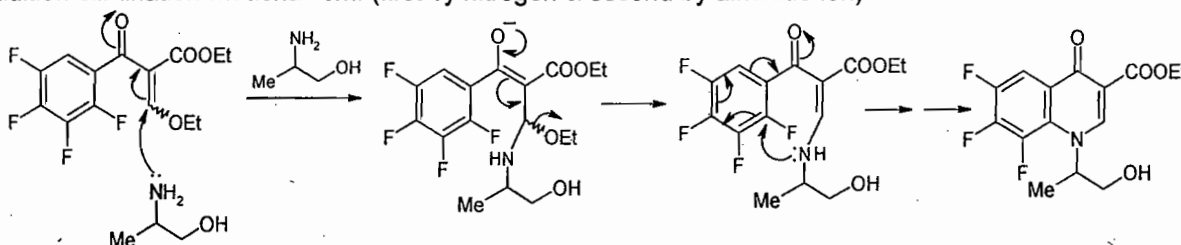
7) Ans (d):-  $I_2$  will add to the double bond, forming an iodonium ion. In the second step of the addition reaction, the carbonyl oxygen attacks the back side of the iodonium ion, resulting in a compound with the observed configuration.



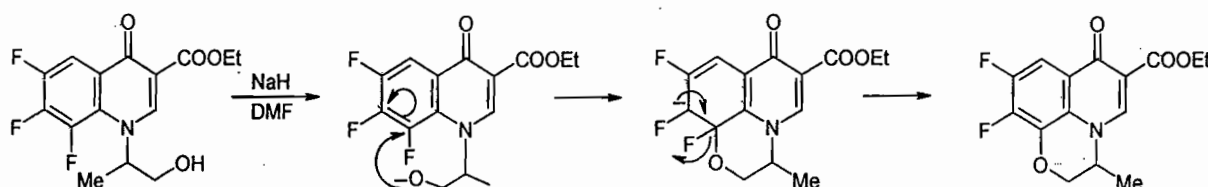
8) Ans (d):- It is an example of bromination via a more stable free-radical mechanism



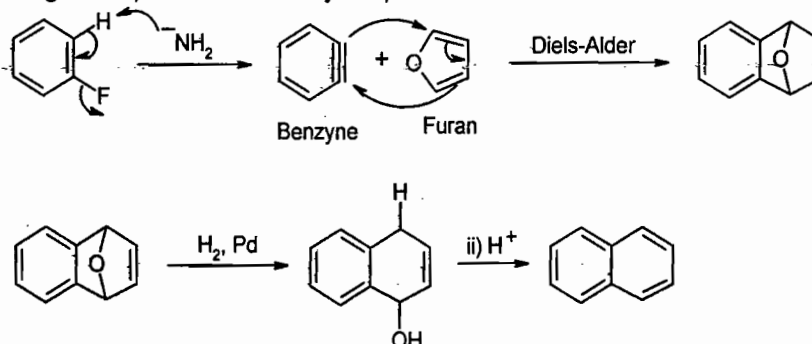
9) Ans (d):- First step is conjugate addition of amino group of an amino alcohol to unsaturated  $\alpha,\beta$ -ketones (Nitrogen is better electron donor than oxygen). In the next step two nucleophilic aromatic substitution reactions take place via addition elimination mechanism. (first by nitrogen & second by alkoxide ion)



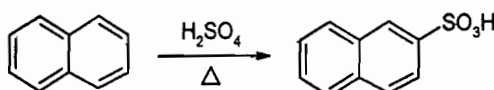
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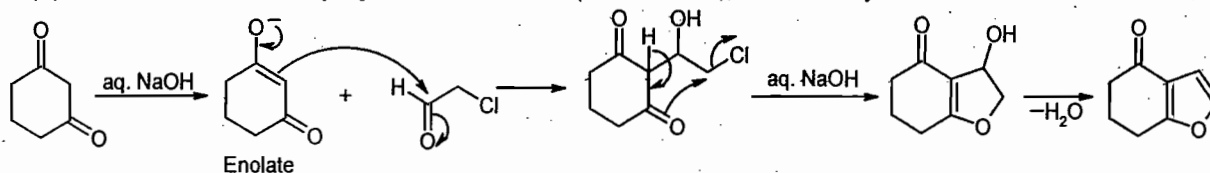
11) Ans (c):- First reaction give Naphthalene as major a product



12) Ans (b):- Second step is sulphonation of Naphthalene with  $H_2SO_4$  at  $160^\circ C$  gives thermodynamic product that is 2-naphthalene sulfonic acid.



13) Ans (a):- It is the Feist-Benary Synthesis of furan:- (reaction of 1,3-dicarbonyl enolate with a 2-halo-ketone,

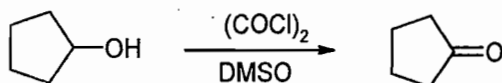


14) Ans (c):- This is the Swern oxidation useful to convert alcohols to aldehydes. It is two step reaction

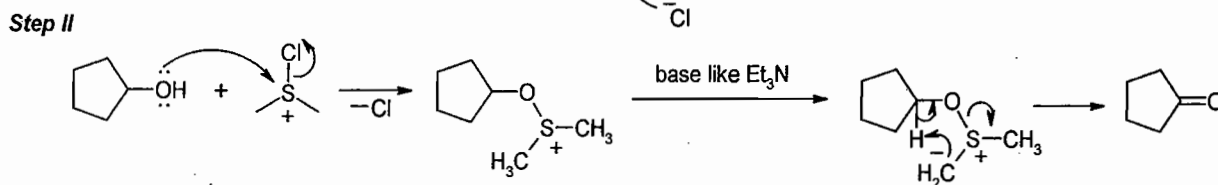
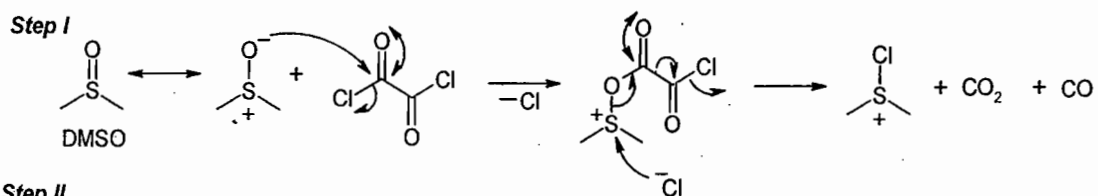
In the first step, DMSO reacts with oxalyl chloride to give an electrophilic sulfur ( $\text{Me}_2\text{S}^+\text{Cl}$ )

In the second step alcohol attacks an electrophilic sulfur.

**The Swern oxidation**



**Mechanism**

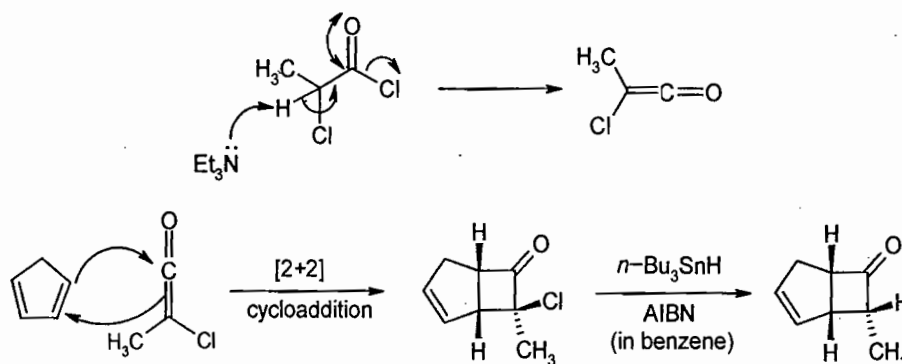


15) Ans (d):- The Hammett reaction constant ( $\rho$ ) indicate the electron density in the transition state at the reaction centre. Positive value of  $\rho$  indicate; increase in electron density in the transition state at the reaction centre than in the starting material & negative value of  $\rho$  indicate; decrease in electron density in the transition state at the reaction centre than in the starting material.

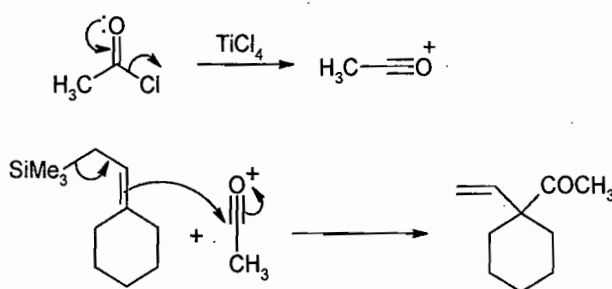
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| $\text{ArCH}_2\text{-Cl} \xrightarrow[70^\circ\text{C}]{\text{aq. acetone}} \text{ArCH}_2\text{-OH} + \text{HCl}$             | $\text{ArCH}_2^+$ | -1.88                       |
| $\text{ArCH}_2\text{-COOH} \xrightleftharpoons[25^\circ\text{C}]{\text{H}_2\text{O}} \text{ArCH}_2\text{-COO}^- + \text{H}^+$ | simple ionisation | +0.49                       |
| $\text{Ar-Cl} \xrightarrow[50^\circ\text{C}]{\text{MeONa, MeOH}} \text{Ar-OMe} + \text{Cl}^-$                                 | via benzyne       | + 8.50                      |
| $\text{Ar-COOH} \xrightleftharpoons[25^\circ\text{C}]{\text{H}_2\text{O}} \text{Ar-COO}^- + \text{H}^+$                       | simple ionisation | +1                          |



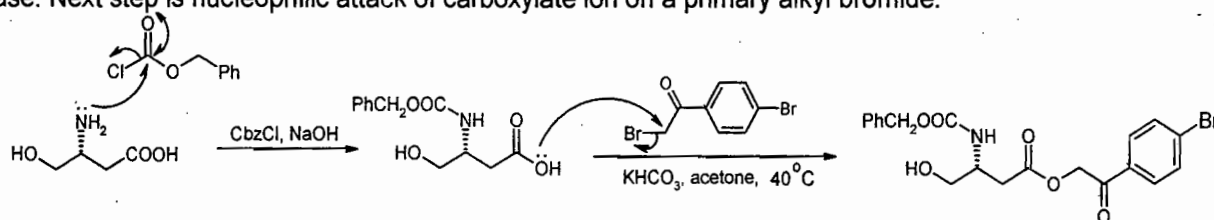
16) Ans (c):- First step is ketene formation which undergo [2+2] cycloaddition rather than [4+2] cycloaddition & form the cis-geometry at the ring junction. In the last step n-Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH with AIBN converts the C-Cl bond into C-H bond



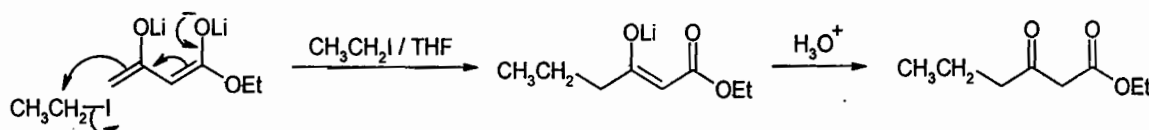
17) Ans (c):- In this reaction allyl silane reacts with acylium ions produced from acid chlorides & Lewis acid to form a product.



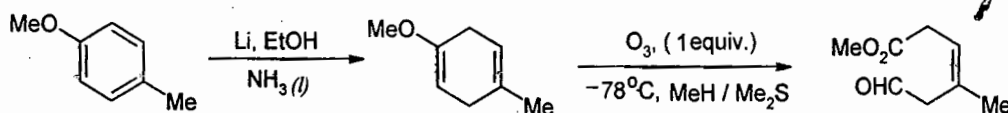
18) Ans (d):- First step is protection of NH<sub>2</sub> group by treating with benzyl chloroformate (BnOCOCI) and weak base. Next step is nucleophilic attack of carboxylate ion on a primary alkyl bromide.



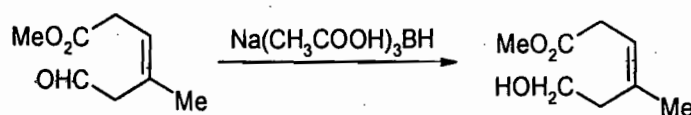
19) Ans (a):- Hint:-Dianion of ethyl acetoacetate is usually alkylated on the terminal carbon atom.



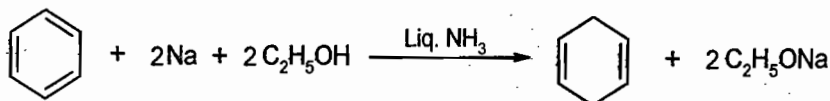
20) Ans (d):- In Birch reduction, 1,4 reduction of aromatic ring occur at ortho & meta position w.r.to electron donating group (regioselective). In the next step ozonolysis of more electron rich alkene take place



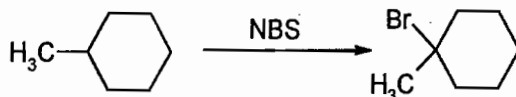
21) Ans (c):- Na(CH<sub>3</sub>COO)<sub>3</sub>BH is like NaBH<sub>4</sub> & only reduces aldehyde & ketones.



22) Ans (a):- It is Birch reduction (1,4 reduction of aromatic ring)



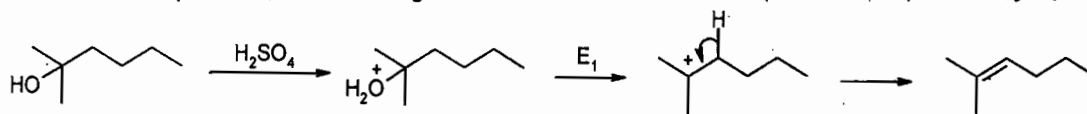
23) Ans (d):- It is an example of radical bromination of most stable free radical by *N*-bromosuccinimide (NBS)



24) Ans (a):- Benzene cannot be iodinated with  $\text{I}_2$  directly. However, in presence of oxidants such as  $\text{HNO}_3$ , iodination is possible. The electrophile formed in this case is  $\text{I}^+$

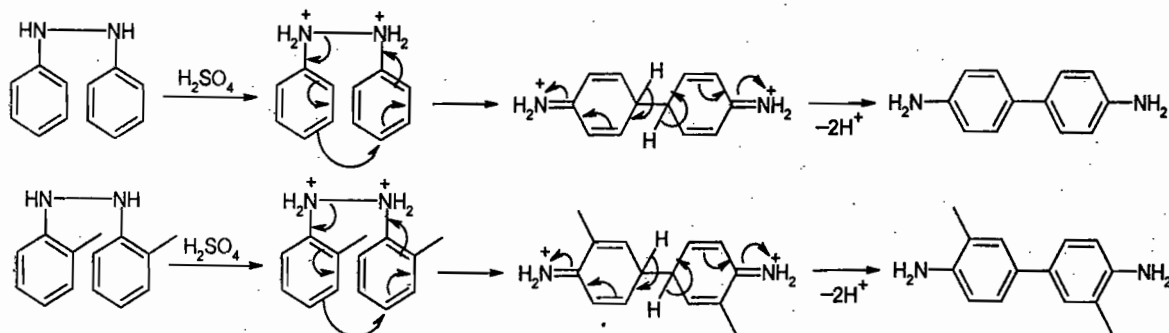
| Reaction     | Reagents  | Electrophile                | Product |
|--------------|---|-----------------------------|---------|
| Halogenation | $\text{Br}_2 / \text{FeBr}_3$                               | $\text{Br}^+$               |         |
|              | $\text{Cl}_2 / \text{FeCl}_3$                               | $\text{Cl}^+$               |         |
|              | $\text{I}_2 / \text{CuCl}_2$ or $\text{I}_2 / \text{HNO}_3$ | $\text{I}^+$                |         |
| Nitration    | $\text{HNO}_3 / \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$                      | $\text{NO}_2^+$             |         |
| Sulfonation  | $\text{SO}_3 / \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$                       | $\text{SO}_3$               |         |
| Alkylation   | $\text{R-Cl} / \text{AlCl}_3$                               | $\text{R}^+$                |         |
| Acylation    | $\text{RCOCl} / \text{AlCl}_3$                              | $\text{RC}\equiv\text{O}^+$ |         |

25) Ans (c):- It is an example of  $\text{E}_1$  reaction to give more substituted alkenes (more stable) as a major product

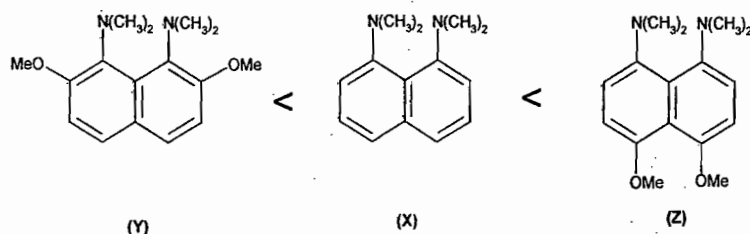


26) Ans (d):- Electrophiles (electron acceptor) are  $\text{SO}_3$ ,  $\text{Cl}^+$ ,  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ ,  $\text{BH}_3$ ; Nucleophiles (electron donor) are  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2$ ,  $\text{CN}^-$

27) Ans (a):- It is an example of Benzidine Rearrangement (Rearrangement of hydrazobenzene to yield benzidine). It has been demonstrated by crossover experiments that the rearrangement does not proceed via a dissociation/ recombination process.

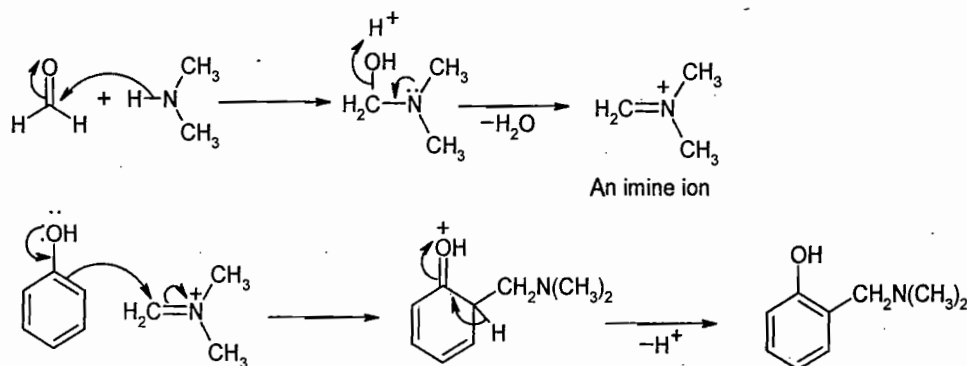


28) Ans (a):- Y is least basic due to steric crowding of o-methoxy group. Z is the most basic due electron donating effect of p-methoxy group. The increasing order of basicity is.

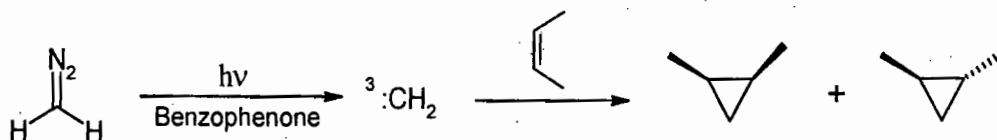


29) Ans (d):- Tertiary alkyl halides cannot undergo  $S_N2$  reactions due to steric hindrance to back-side attack. Therefore reaction follows  $S_N1$  mechanism & rate of the reaction depends on the concentration of alkyl halide only and not on the concentration of nucleophile thus the rate of the reaction will doubled if the concentration of both the reactants is doubled

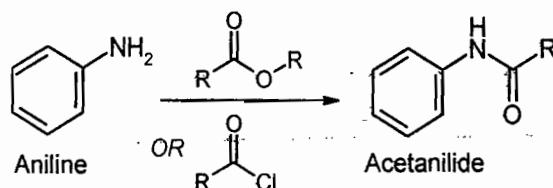
30) Ans (a):- It is an example of Mannich reaction. In first step dimethyl amine adds to formaldehyde to form an imine ion. In next step phenol attacks on imine ion.



31) Ans (d):- The alkene insertion reaction is stereospecific only for singlet carbenes (thermally). For triplet carbenes, the reaction is nonstereospecific but stereoselective (photochemically).

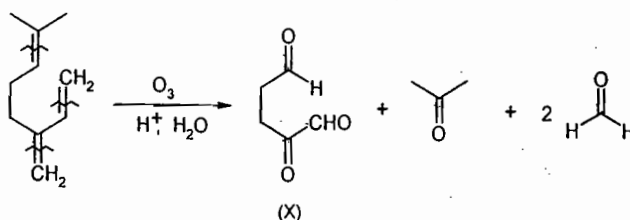


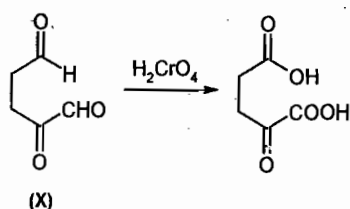
32) Ans (b):- Formaldehyde on reacting with aniline will NOT form an acetanilide.



33) Ans (b):- aniline and methylamine can be distinguished using the azo-dye test. A dye is obtained when aromatic amines react with  $\text{NaNO}_2 + \text{dil. HCl}$  at  $0-5^\circ\text{C}$ , followed by a reaction with the alkaline solution of  $\beta$  naphthol. Aliphatic amines give a brisk effervescence due to the evolution of  $\text{N}_2$  gas under similar conditions.

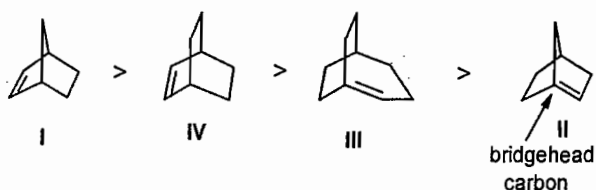
34) Ans (b):- First step is ozonolysis, Chromic acid oxidizes aldehyde into carboxylic acid



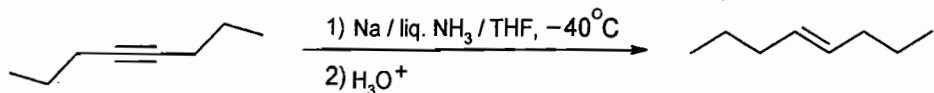


35) Ans (b):- Refer the solution of question number (34)

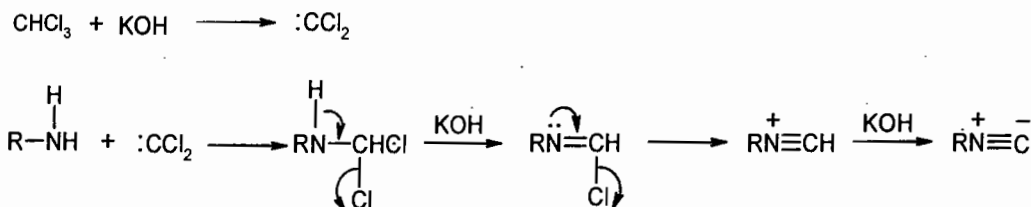
36) Ans (b):- Bredt's rule:- double bonds can never be formed to bridgehead carbons in bicyclic systems unless one of the rings contains at least eight carbon atoms. Among all (II) bicyclic olefin is not possible due to angle strain; therefore planar structure is not possible at bridgehead carbon.



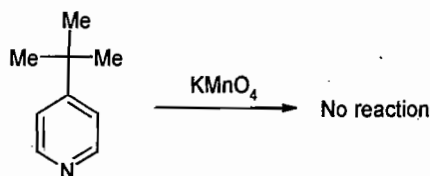
37) Ans (c):- It is a Birch reduction reaction. It brings out a partial reduction of alkynes to trans alkene (stereospecific)



38) Ans (a):- In carbylamine reaction; primary amines are heated with chloroform and alcoholic KOH give isocyanides via carbene (dichlorocarbene) as the intermediate.

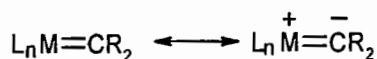


39) Ans (d):-  $\text{KMnO}_4$  oxidizes an alkyl group bonded to a benzene ring in to the carboxyl group ( $-\text{COOH}$ ). If the alkyl group lacks a benzylic hydrogen, the oxidation reaction will not occur because the first step in the oxidation reaction is removal of a hydrogen from the benzylic carbon.

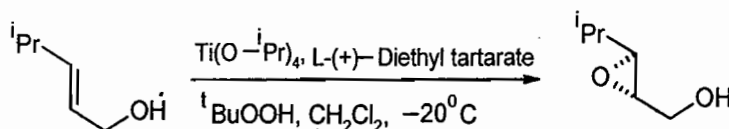


40) Ans (a):- The Hammett reaction constant  $\rho$  is based on the rates of alkaline hydrolysis of various *meta*- and *para*-substituted ethyl benzoates.

41) Ans (a):- Schrock carbenes are triplets and nucleophilic

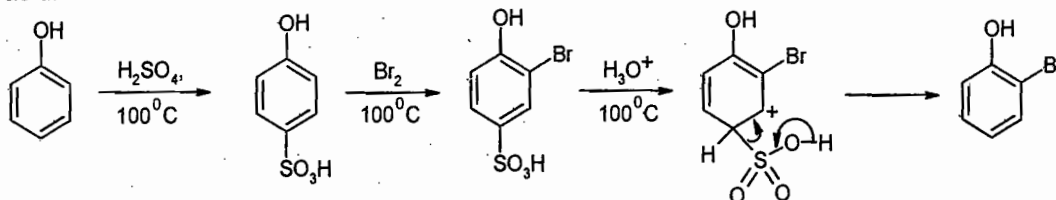


42) Ans (d):- The Sharpless Epoxidation allows the enantioselective epoxidation of prochiral allylic alcohols. D-(-)-diethyl tartrate delivers oxygen to top face of alkene while L-(+)-diethyl tartrate delivers oxygen to bottom face of alkene

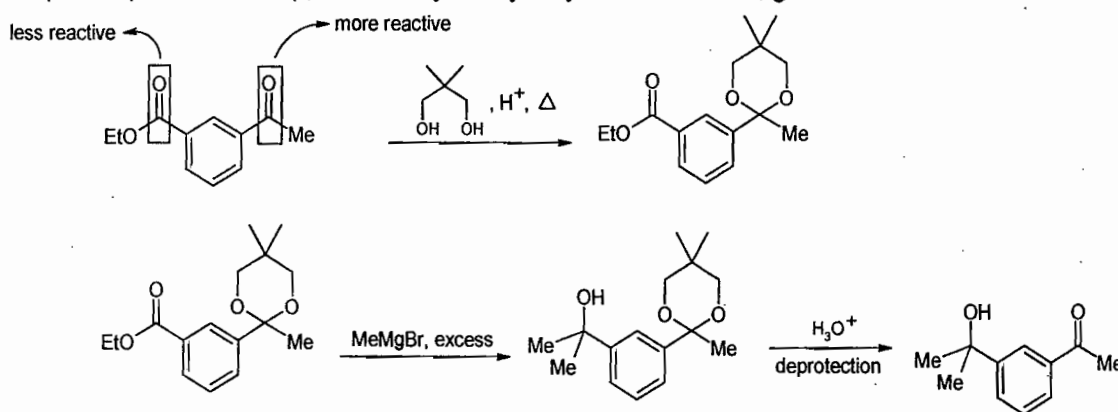


- 43) **Ans (b):-** at the higher temperature, thermodynamically stable para product is produced exclusively which on bromination gives 3-bromo-4-Hydroxybenzenesulfonic acid.

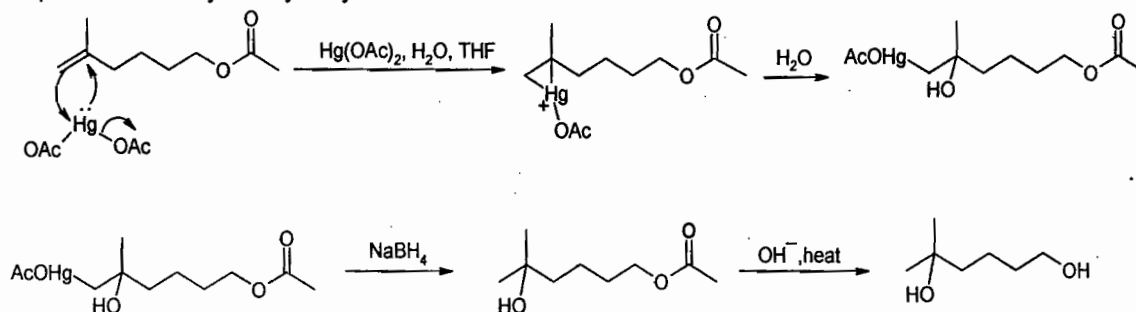
In last step the desulfonation of 3-bromo-4-Hydroxybenzenesulfonic acid is takes place when it is heated in dilute acid.



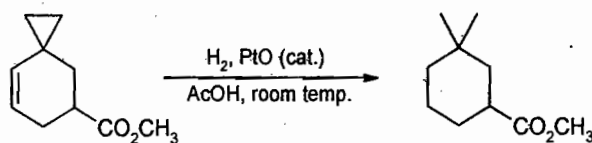
- 44) **Ans (b):-** The first step puts the protecting group on to the (more electrophilic) ketone carbonyl, making it unreactive towards nucleophilic addition. The Grignard reagent(in excess) then adds to the ester, to give a tertiary alcohol. Final step is 'deprotection' step, acid-catalysed hydrolysis of the acetal, gives us back the ketone.



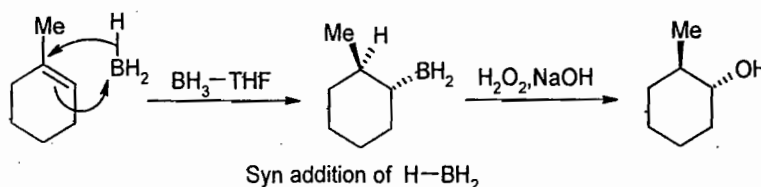
- 45) **Ans (d):-** First step is a oxymercuration (Markovnikov addition H-OH)(ester is not reduced by NaBH<sub>4</sub>). Final step is base-catalysed hydrolysis of an ester.



- 46) **Ans (c):-** It is a catalytic hydrogenation & chemoselectively hydrogenate double bond in the presence of ester.

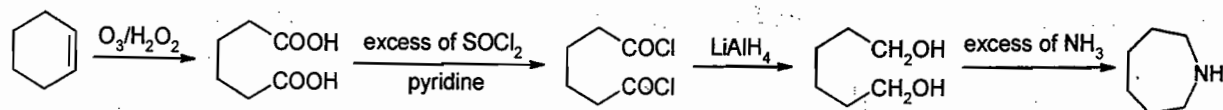


- 47) **Ans (b):-** Hydroboration is mostly used for the conversion of alkenes to alcohols by the syn (cis) addition of water (that is H & OH) .The -OH group going to the less substituted end of the alkene..

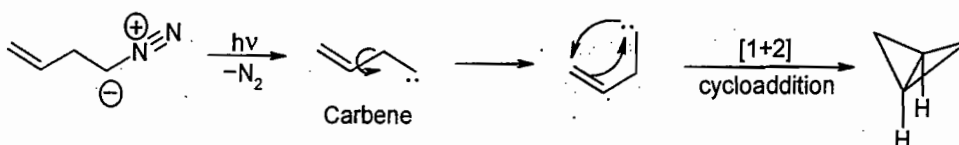


48) Ans (c):- The most appropriate sequence of reactions for carrying out the formation is:-

i)  $O_3/H_2O_2$ ; ii) excess  $SOCl_2$ /pyridine; iii)  $LiAlH_4$ ; iv) excess  $NH_3$ ,

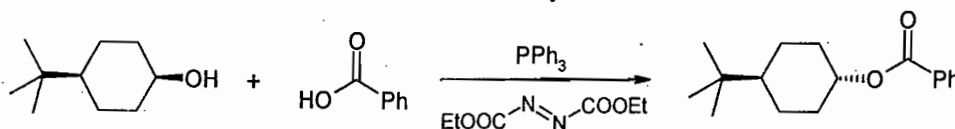


49) Ans (a):- First step is formation of carbenes from diazoalkenes followed by intramolecular [1+2] cycloaddition of singlet carbenes

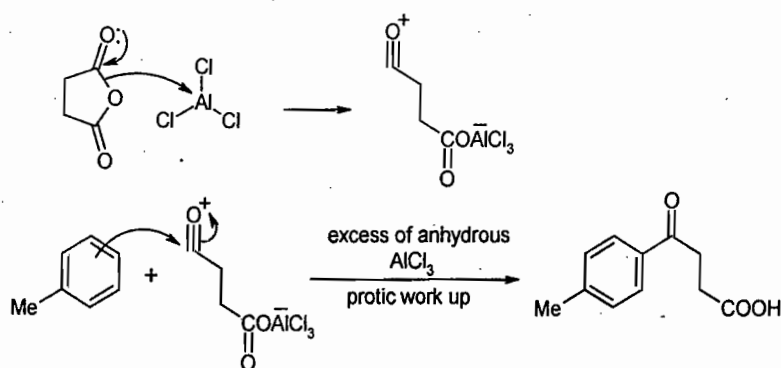


50) Ans (c):- The product shows 2 number of signals in  $^1H$  and 2 number of signals in  $^{13}C$  NMR spectra,

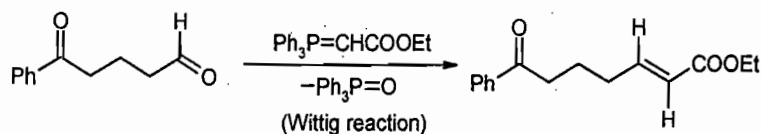
51) Ans (d):- It is the Mitsunobu reaction:- A reaction of secondary alcohol to ester with inversion of configuration



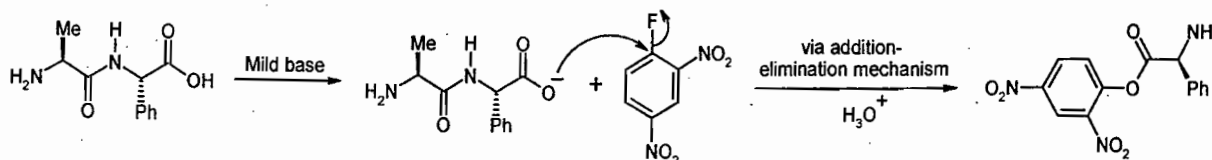
52) Ans (c):- It is a simple Friedel-Crafts acylation reaction



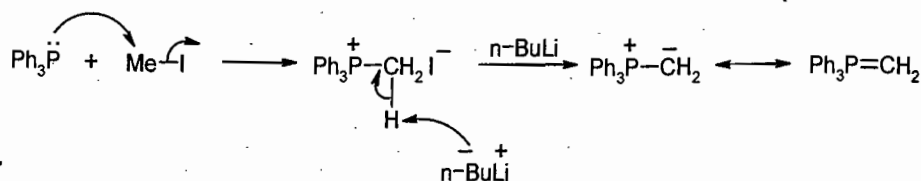
53) Ans (c):- It is the Wittig reaction with stabilized ylides to give E-alkene selectively. Wittig reagent adds to more electrophilic aldehyde carbonyl group.



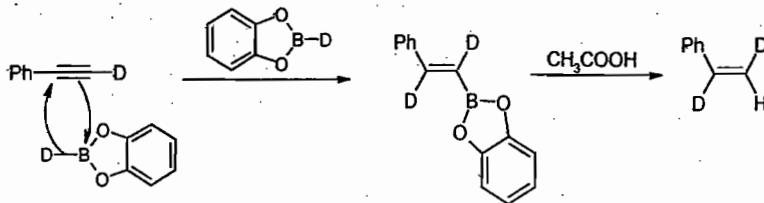
54) Ans (c):- It is example of nucleophilic aromatic substitution by the addition-elimination mechanism



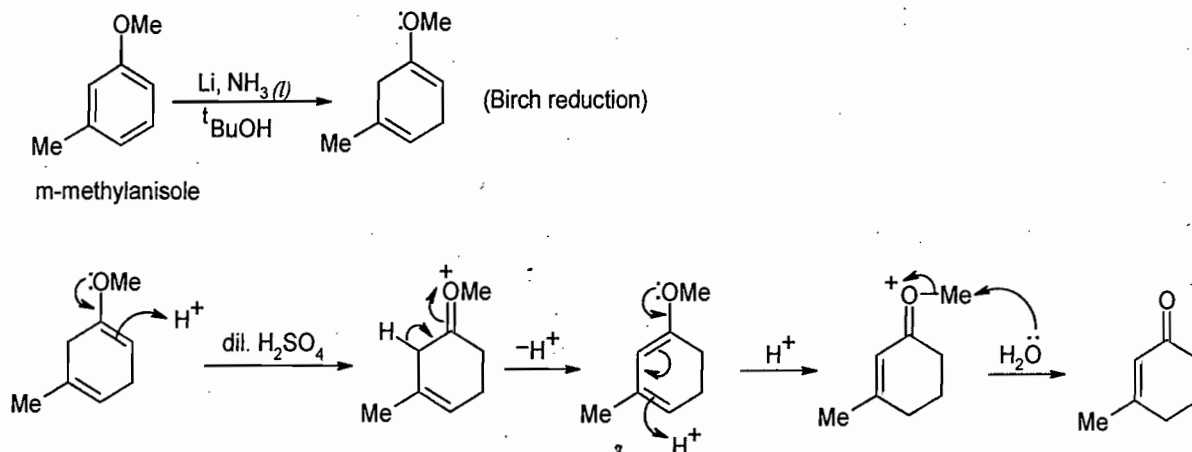
55) Ans (b):- It is the preparation of phosphonium ylide in Wittig reaction



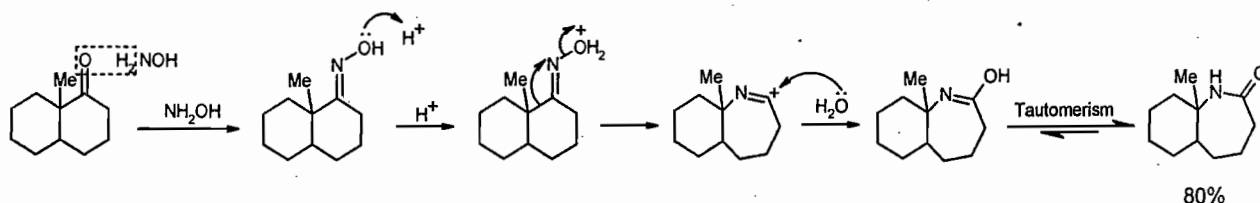
56) Ans (b):- The boran adds to less hindered side of alkynes and addition of boron and deuterium occurs *cis* stereospecifically.



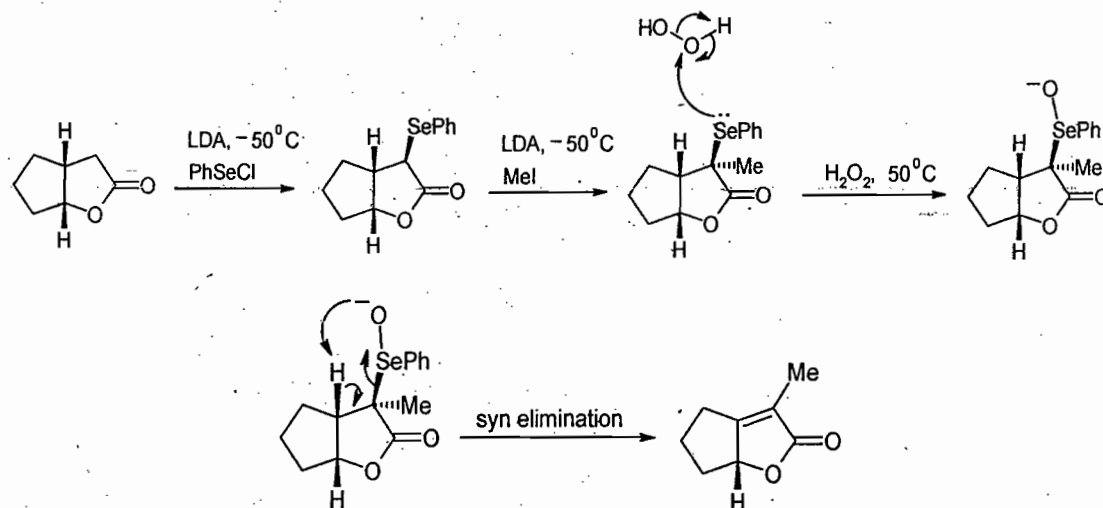
57) Ans (d):- In Birch reduction, 1,4 reduction of aromatic ring occur at ortho & meta position w.r.to electron donating group (regioselective). However, the product formed undergoes isomerization & hydrolysis to give  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated ketone in acidic condition.



58) Ans (a):- It is an example of the Beckmann rearrangement

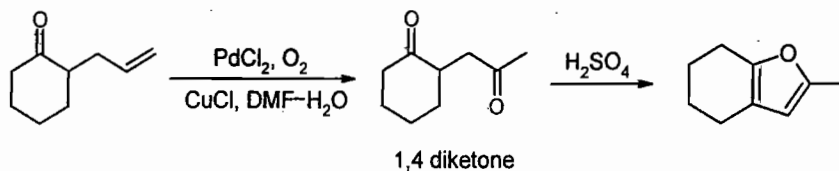


59) Ans (d):- Reaction involve the oxidation of the selenide & then transformation of carbonyl compounds to  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated carbonyl compounds by syn elimination of selenoxide

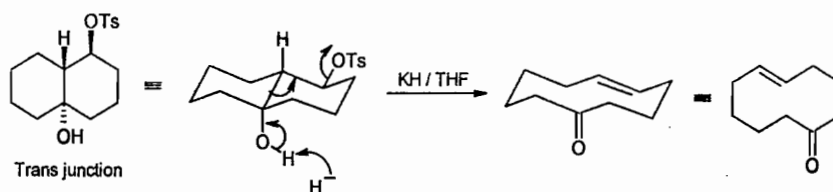


60) Ans (d):- First step is palladium-catalysed oxidation of the terminal alkene into the methyl ketones (Wacker oxidation).

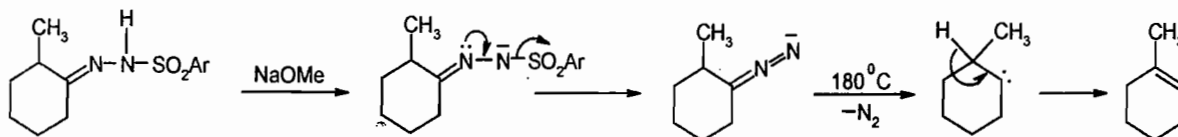
In second step 1,4 - Dicarbonyl Compounds with dehydrating agent undergoes cyclodehydration to form furans.



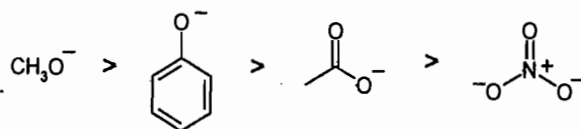
61) Ans (b):- The reaction is an example of the Grob fragmentation and takes place in a concerted manner to give an alkene. The stereochemistry of an alkene in a product is governed by the relative orientation of the groups in the starting compound. When tosyloxy group and the adjacent ring junction hydrogen atom are *cis*, it will give *E*-5-cyclodecenone in high yield, whereas when tosyloxy group and the adjacent ring junction hydrogen atom are *trans*, it will give *Z*-5-cyclodecenone in high yield.



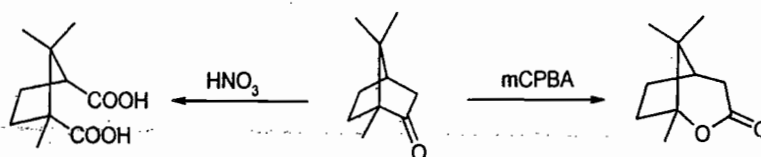
62) Ans (c):- Bamford–Stevens Reaction:- Reaction of tosylhydrazones with a mild base such as NaOMe or KH to give more substituted alkenes.



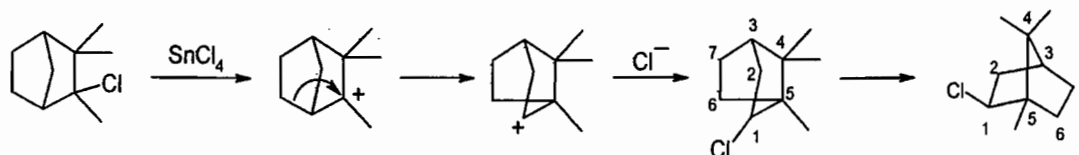
63) Ans (c):- Hint:- Conjugation decreases the nucleophilicity. Therefore nucleophilicity decreases left to right as conjugation become more effective



64) Ans (b):-

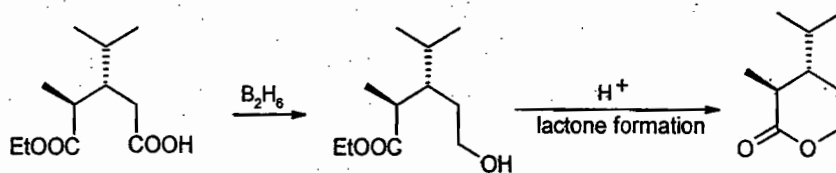


65) Ans (a):- It is an example of Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement (the migration of an alkyl group to a carbocation.)

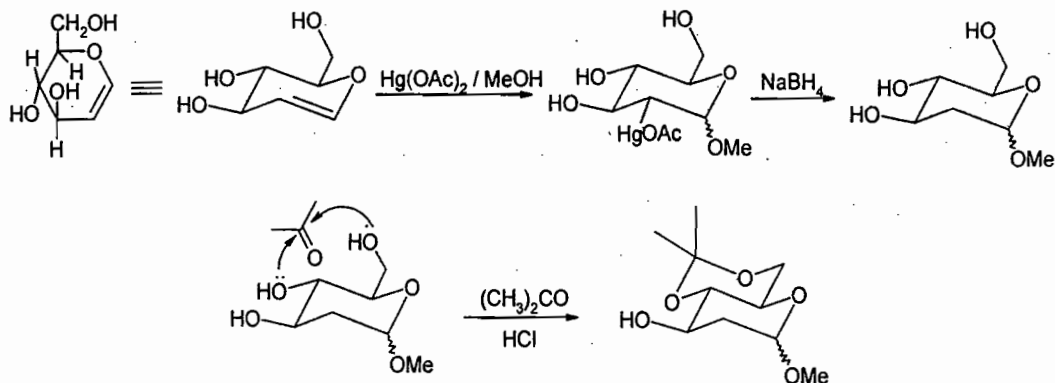


66) Ans (a):- Borane is a highly chemoselective reagent for the reduction of carboxylic acids in the presence of other reducible functional groups such as esters, and even ketones.

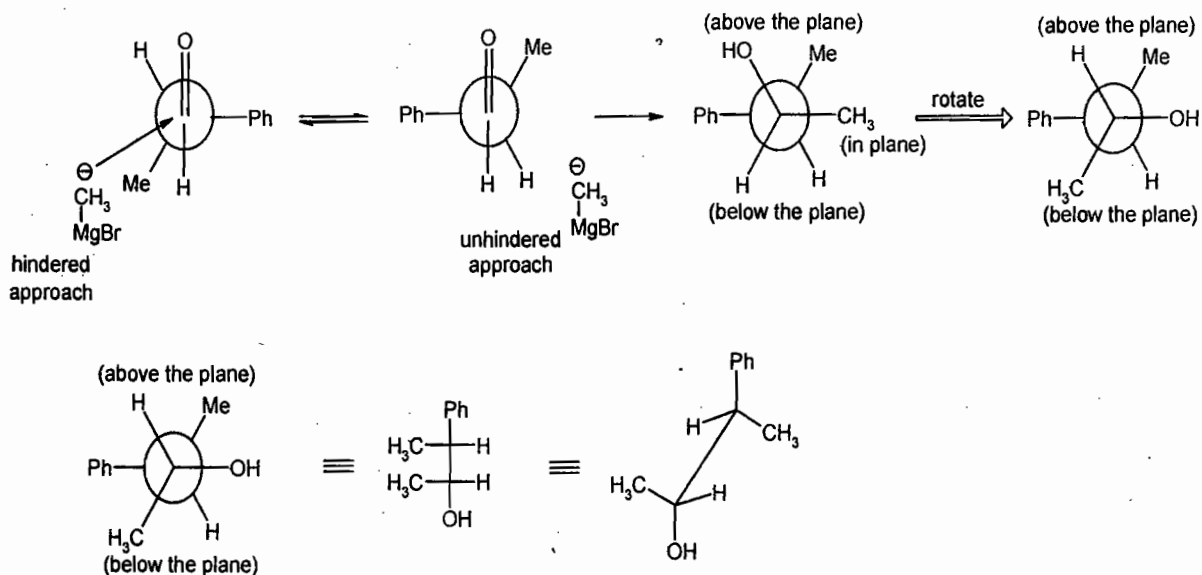




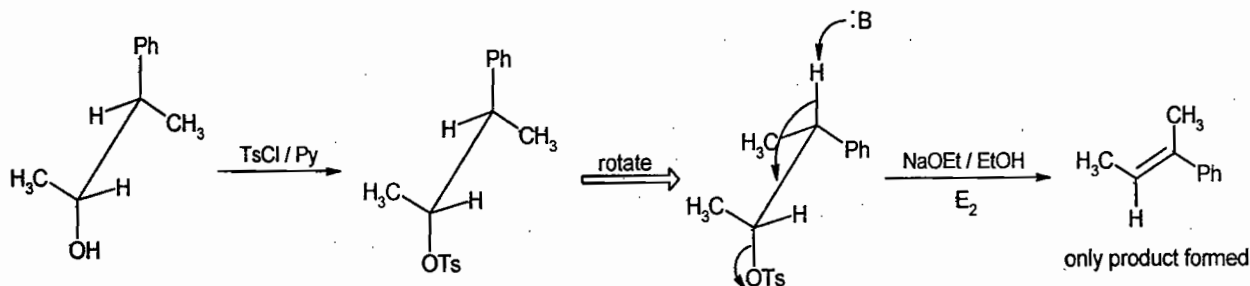
67) ans (c):- it is an example of oxymercuration followed by acetal formation



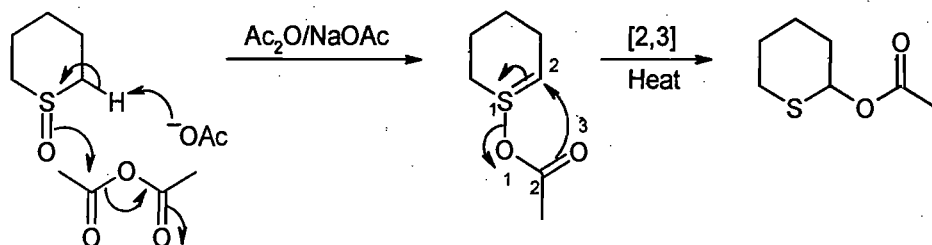
68) Ans (c):- The most important conformations of a carbonyl compound with a stereogenic centre adjacent to the carbonyl group are those that place the largest group perpendicular to the carbonyl group. The major product arises from the most reactive conformer in which approach of nucleophile is unhindered. Thus (c) is the major product.



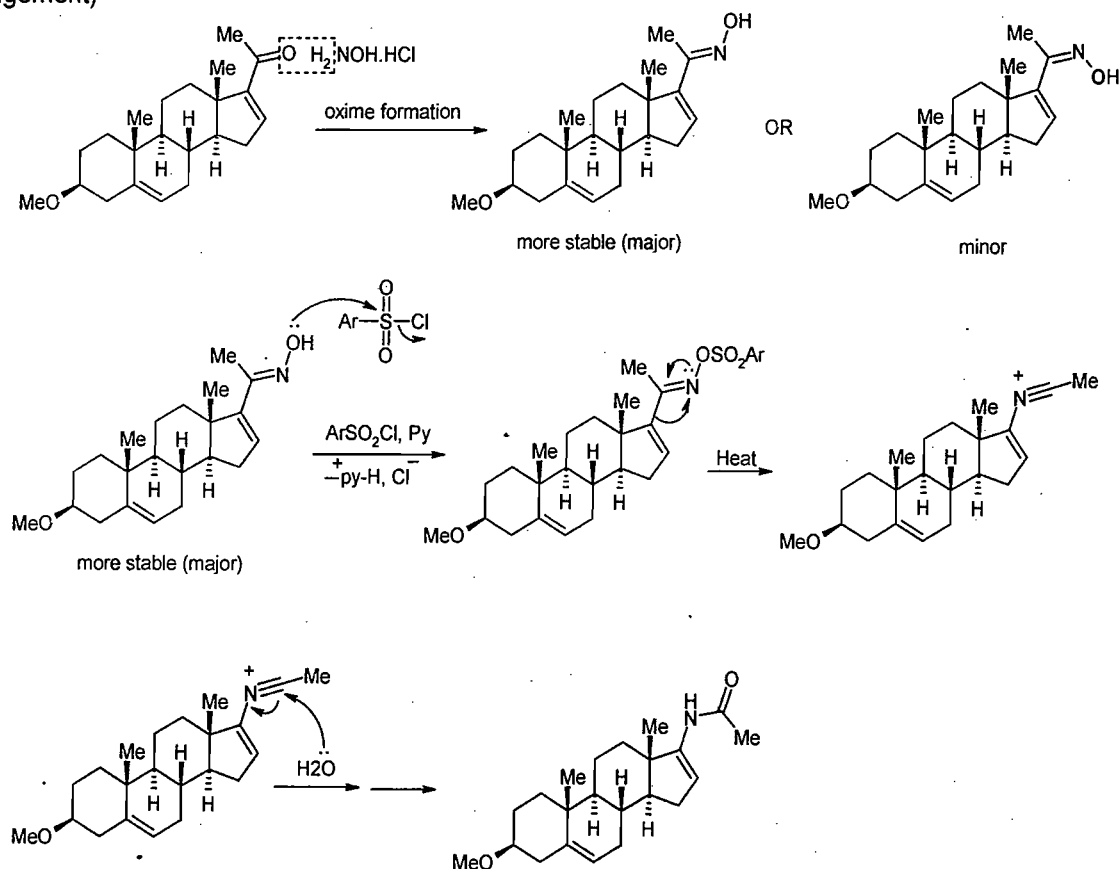
69) Ans (c):- It is an example of  $E_2$  anti-elimination reaction



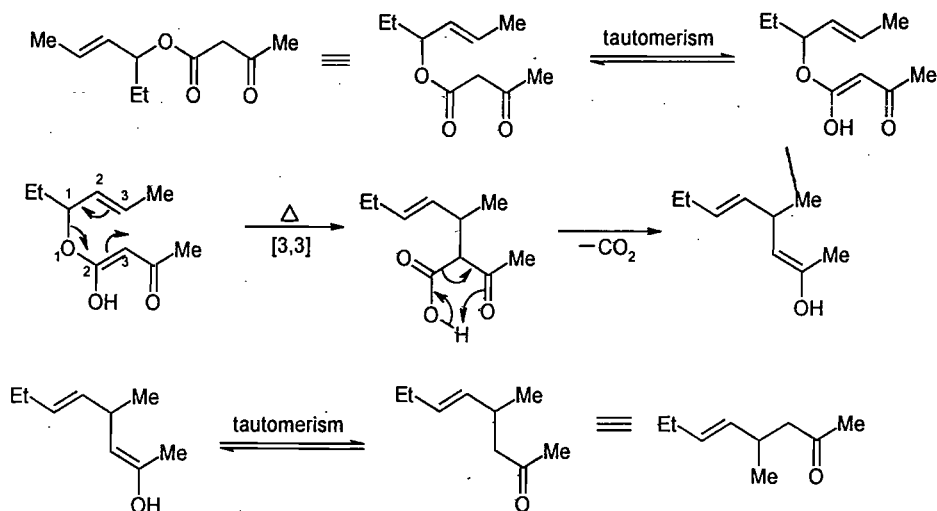
70) Ans (b):- It is simple acylation of oxygen of sulfoxide followed by [2,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement.



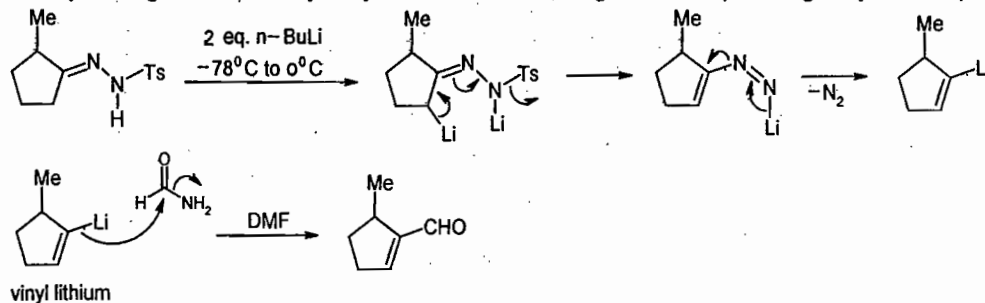
71) Ans (a):- First step is oxime formation & then rearrangement of oxime to N-substituted amide (Beckmann rearrangement)



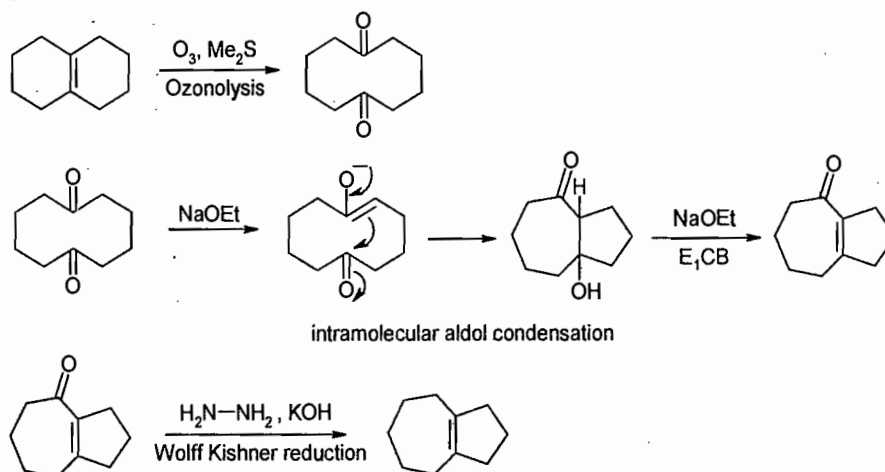
72) Ans (b):- A Claisen rearrangement:-[3,3] sigmatropic rearrangement of an allyl vinyl ether.



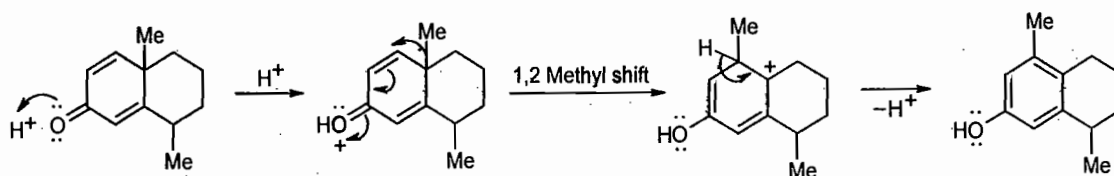
73) Ans (c):- It is an example of Shapiro reaction; (decomposition of the tosyl hydrazones of aliphatic aldehydes or ketones with very strong base, usually butyl lithium or LDA, to give corresponding vinyl lithium).



74) Ans (d):- The most appropriate sequence (i)  $O_3 / Me_2S$  (Ozonolysis);  
 (ii)  $NaOEt$ ; (intramolecular aldol condensation)  
 (iii)  $N_2H_4 / KOH$  The Wolff-Kishner reduction employs hydrazine under basic conditions & reduces a ketone carbonyl group to a methylene group

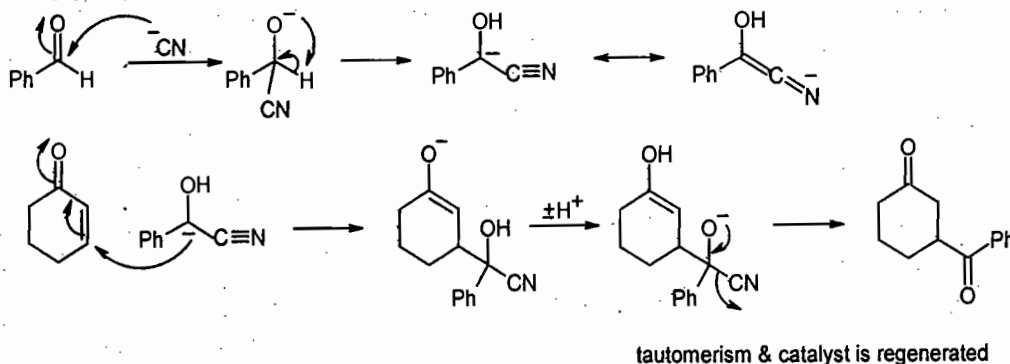


75) Ans (a):- It is a dienone-phenol rearrangement (acid catalyzed rearrangement of dienone to a phenol via tertiary carbocation).

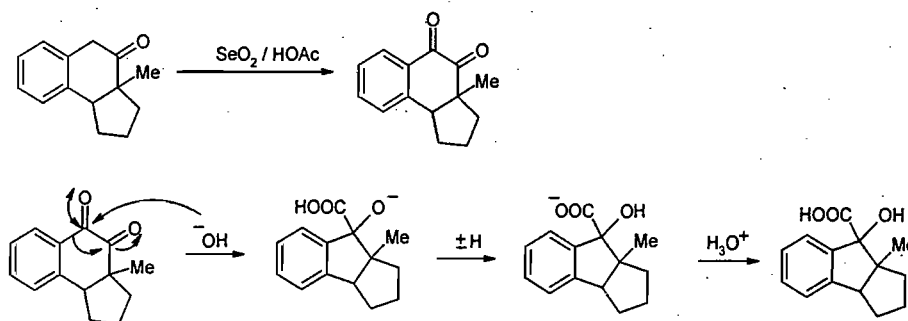


76) Ans (d):- It is a benzoin condensation type reaction.

Cyanide ion acts as a catalyst because of three reasons: 1) Good nucleophile 2) carbanion stabilizer & 3) better leaving group

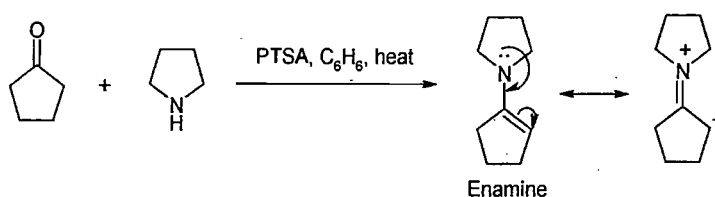


77) Ans (c):- In first step  $\text{SeO}_2$  oxidizes active methylene group present adjacent to the carbonyl group to give 1,2-dicarbonyl compounds. In second step; the resultant 1,2-dicarbonyl compound undergoes benzilic acid rearrangement under basic condition



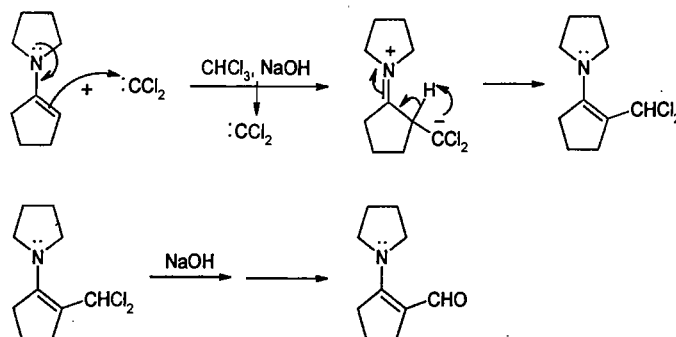
78) Ans (c):- It is a Stork enamine reaction in which enamines acts as nucleophile & it reacts with electrophiles in the same way that enolates do.

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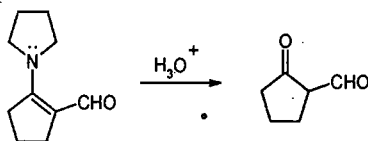


2) Second step is nucleophilic attack of enamine on electrophile(carbene):-

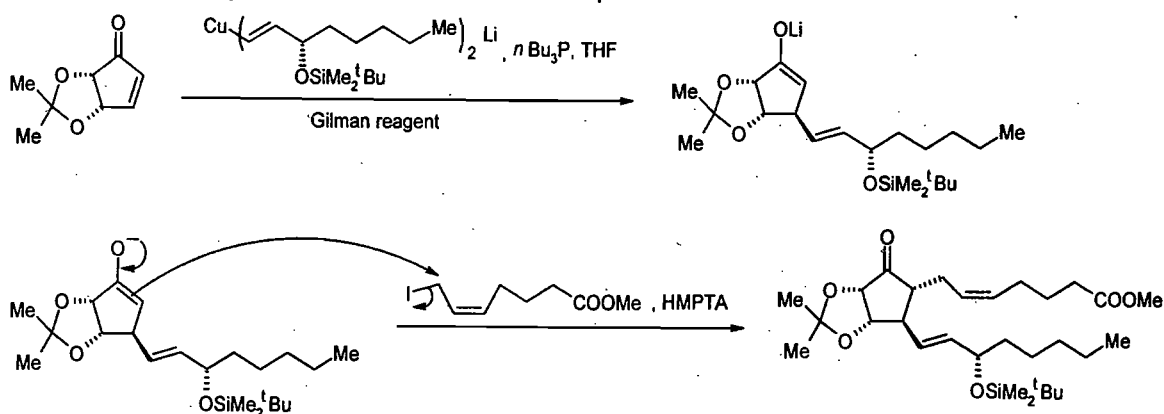
Note: It is the Reimer-Tiemann type reaction



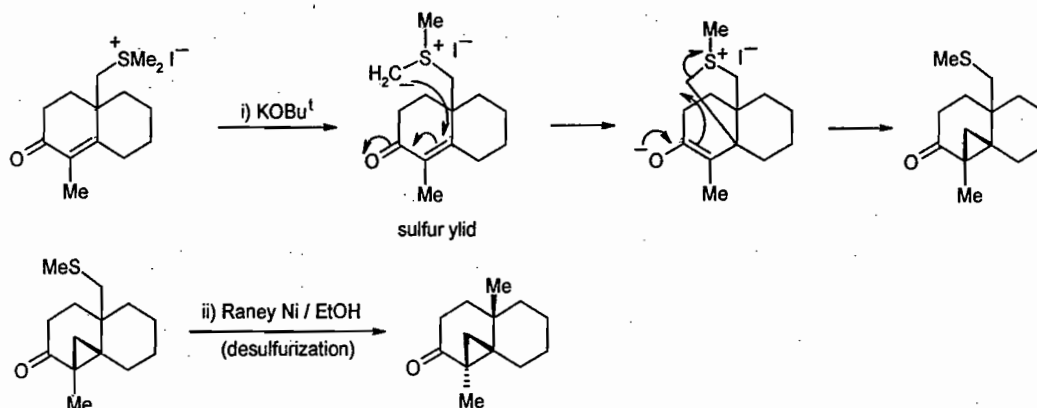
3) Third step is acid hydrolysis of enamine :-



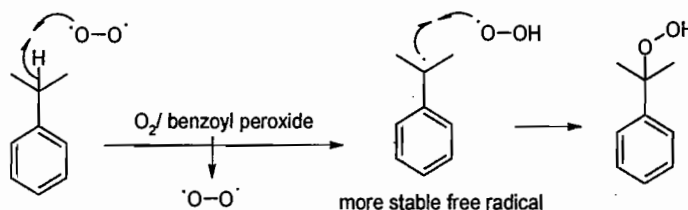
79) Ans (a):- lithium dialkylcuprates (Gilman reagent) undergoes conjugate addition when react with unsaturated  $\alpha,\beta$ - aldehydes and ketones. Attack takes place from less hindered side.



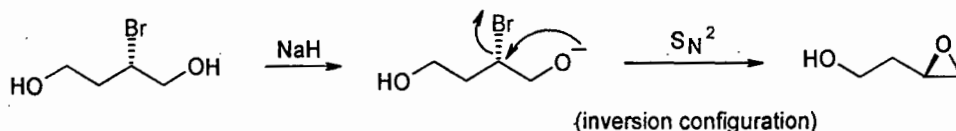
80) Ans (b):- The sulfur ylid forms in presence of base which undergoes conjugate addition with unsaturated  $\alpha,\beta$ - ketones as shown below. In the next step Raney Ni removes sulfur atom (desulfurization)



81) Ans (c):- oxygen diradical forms and add to benzylic more stable free radical.

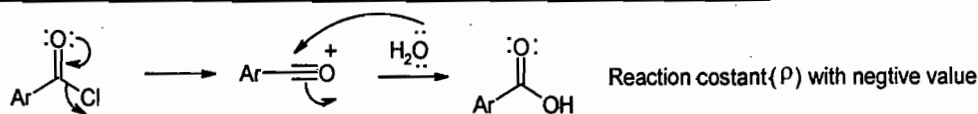


82) Ans (c):- Formation of three-membered rings is faster than four-membered ring and epoxide is only product. Reaction follows  $S_N^2$  mechanism with inversion in configuration.

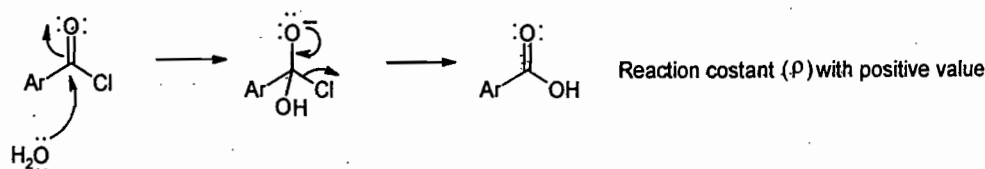


83) Ans (d):- The Hammett reaction constant ( $\rho$ ) indicate electron density in the transition state at the reaction centre. Positive value of  $\rho$  indicate increase in electron density in the transition state at the reaction centre than in the starting material & negative value of  $\rho$  indicate decrease in electron density in the transition state at the reaction centre than in the starting material. If a sign of  $\rho$  is opposite for particular reaction with different substituent; it indicate the mechanism of the reaction is changing from one type of substituent (electron donating) to another type of substituent (electron withdrawing).

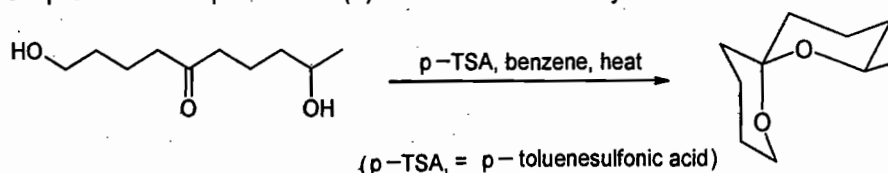
Aryl group with electron donating substituent will follow such type mechanism:-



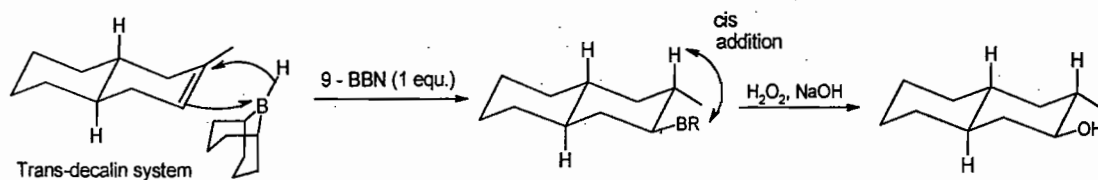
Aryl group with electron withdrawing substituent will follow this type mechanism:-



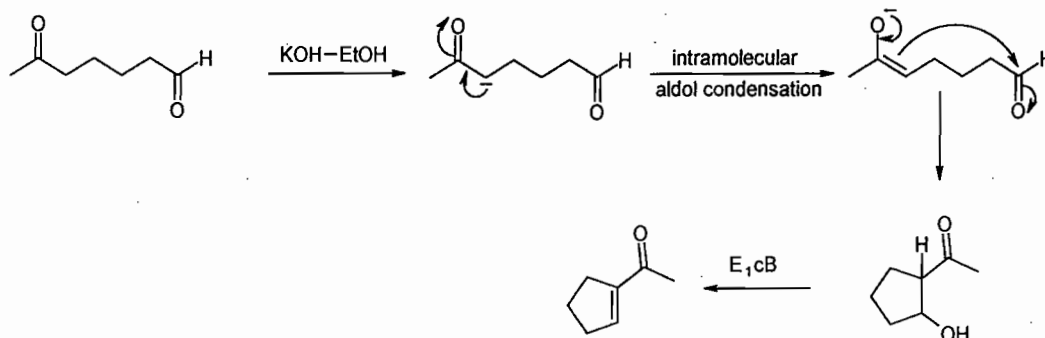
84) Ans (a):- The most predominant spiroketal is (a) which is stabilized by double anomeric effect.



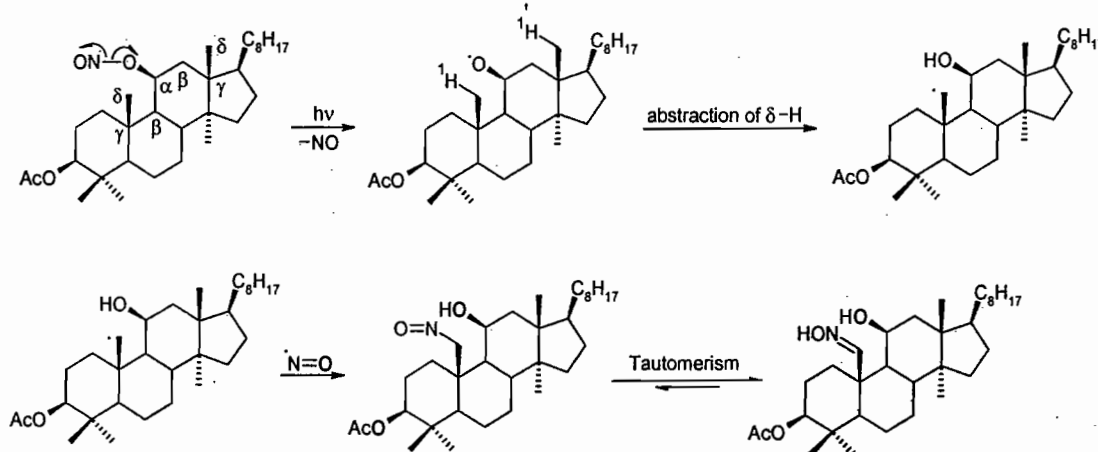
85) Ans (a):- Hydroboration is mostly used for the conversion of alkenes to alcohols by the syn (cis) addition of water (that is H & OH) with the OH group going to the less substituted end of the alkene..



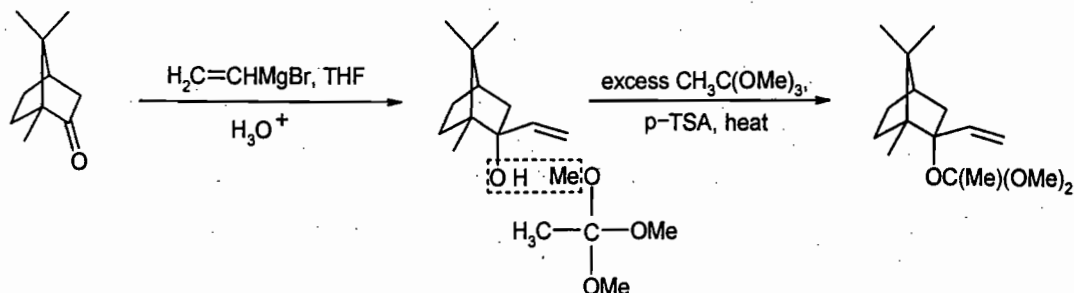
86) Ans (a):- It is an example of intramolecular aldol condensation reaction & five-membered ring is formed in preference to a seven-membered ring. The major product is the thermodynamic product formed from the more stable enolate that is  $\alpha$ -H of the ketone



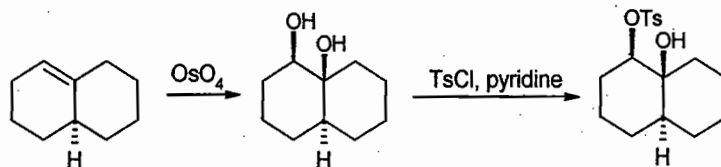
87) Ans (a):- It is an example of the Barton reaction. The photolytic conversion of organic nitrites into nitroso compounds. Reaction involve photolysis of an organic nitrite ( $R-O-N=O$ ) gives an alkoxy radical and nitrogen monoxide. Subsequent intramolecular  $\delta$ -hydrogen atom abstraction is followed by capture of nitrogen monoxide by the carbon radical and formation of a nitrosoalcohol. The product formed by abstraction of  $\delta^{-1}$  hydrogen (activated) is more than the product formed by abstraction of  $\delta^{-1}$  hydrogen



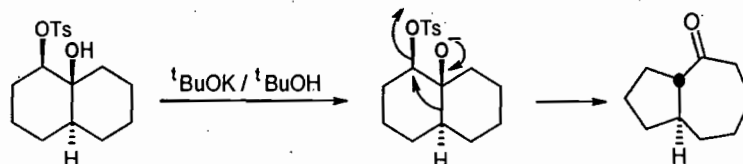
88) Ans (d):- The major product is observed to be the endo alcohol by addition of vinyl magnesium bromide to carbonyl group from exo carbonyl face. The stereoselectivity observed in this reaction is due to decreased steric hindrance from the exo face carbonyl group, giving rise to the endo alcohol.



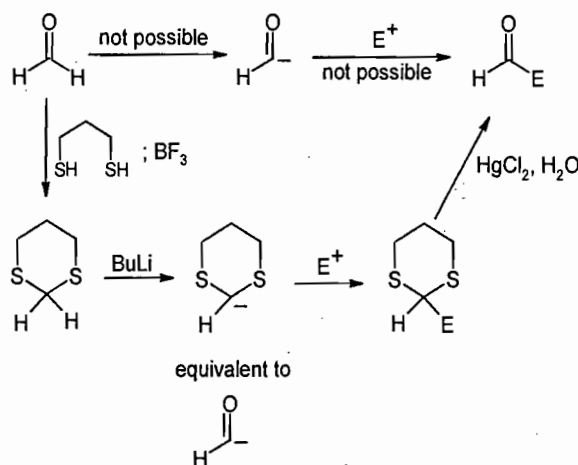
89) Ans (b):-  $\text{OsO}_4$  is used for cis-hydroxylation of alkene



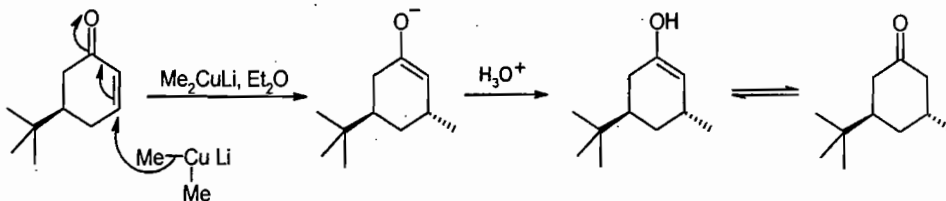
90) Ans (d):- It is an example of semipinacol rearrangements



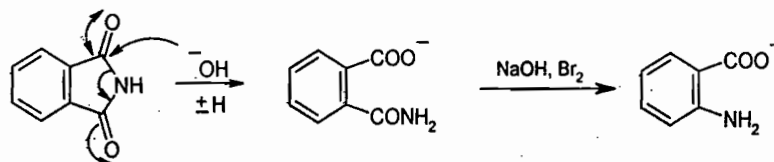
91) Ans (c):- 1,3-dithiane is act as a formyl anion equivalent (in the presence of a strong base). In this reaction thioacetal inverts the polarity at the carbonyl carbon atom.



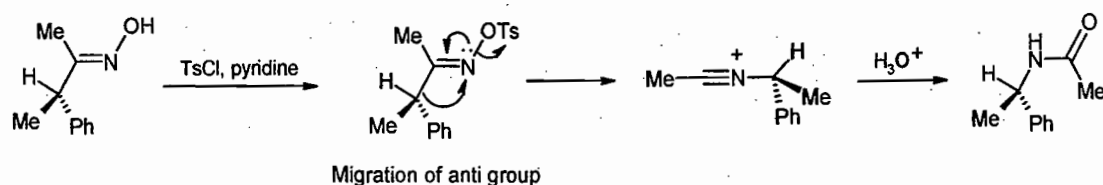
92) Ans (d):- lithium dialkylcuprates (Gilman reagent) undergoes conjugate addition when react with unsaturated  $\alpha,\beta$ - aldehydes and ketones. Attack takes place from less hindered side.



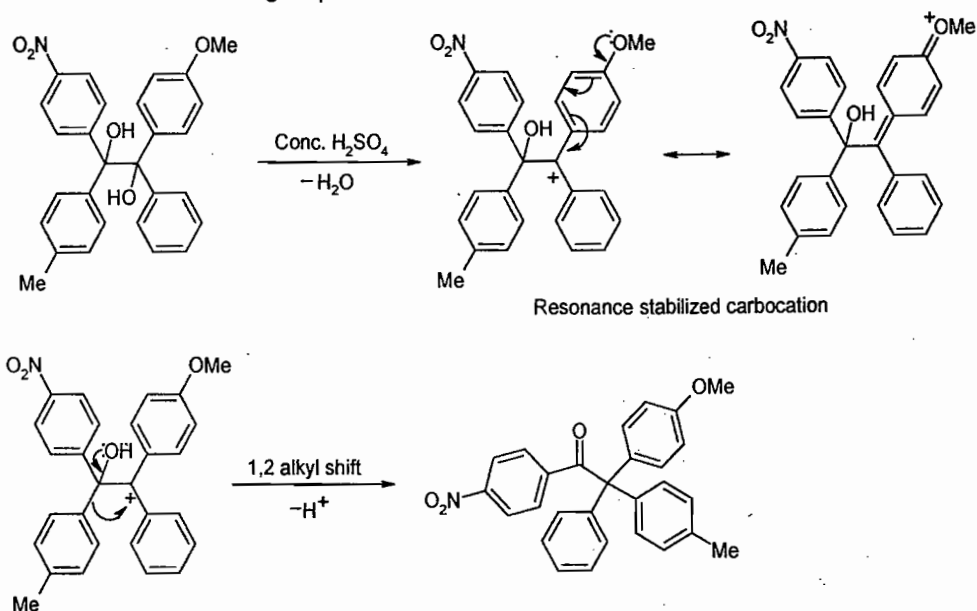
93) Ans (a):- Hofmann rearrangement:-Reaction of primary amide to primary amine with one carbon atom less in presence of hypobromite ion ( $\text{NaOH} + \text{Br}_2 \rightarrow \text{NaOBr}$ ).



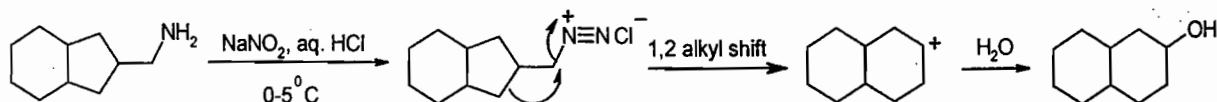
94) Ans (d):- In the Beckmann rearrangement (an oxime to an N-substituted amide) of unsymmetrical oxime; the alkyl group which is 'anti' to the -OH group will migrate to the electron deficient nitrogen with retention in configuration to give linear nitrilium ion. The linear nitrilium ion is then attacked by water to give an N-substituted amide.



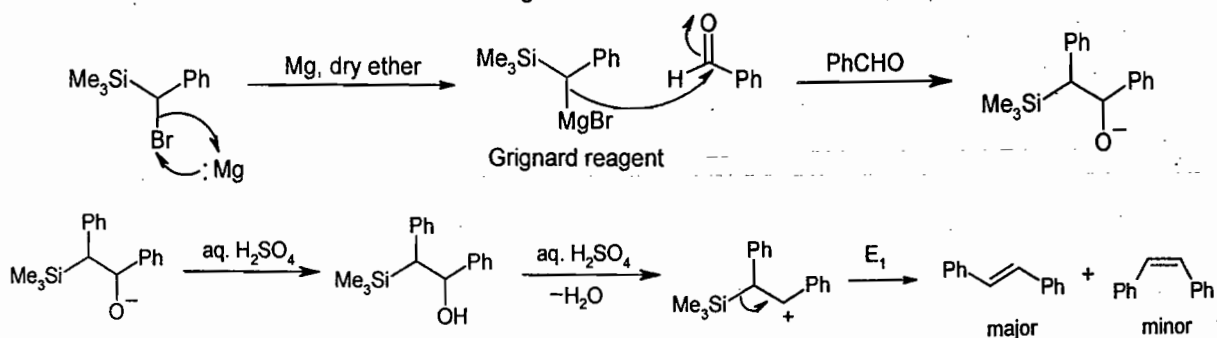
- 95) **Ans (a):-** Pinacol Rearrangement:-1,2-diol known as pinacol reacts with an acid, it leads to the formation of an ketone or aldehyde called pinacolone via more stable carbocation. The resultant carbocation is attacked by the most electron rich group.



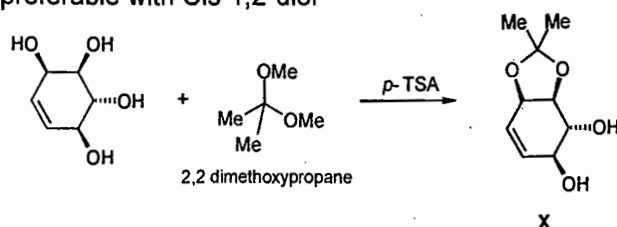
- 96) **Ans (d):-** A primary amine can be converted into a diazonium salt by treatment with nitrous acid ( $\text{HNO}_2$ ). Because nitrous acid is unstable, it is formed in situ, using an aqueous solution of sodium nitrite and HCl ( $\text{NaNO}_2 + \text{aq. HCl}$ ). Resultant diazonium salt give more stable carbocation by 1,2 alkyl shift. An alcohol is formed by nucleophilic (water) attack on carbocation.



- 97) **Ans (a):-** In first step Grignard reagent is prepared & then reaction of Grignard reagent with aldehyde to give an alcohol. Alcohol in acidic condition undergoes elimination reaction via  $\text{E}_1$  mechanism.

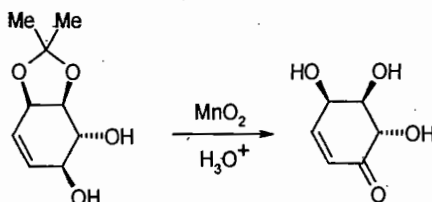


- 98) **Ans (c):-** Acetal formation is preferable with Cis-1,2-diol

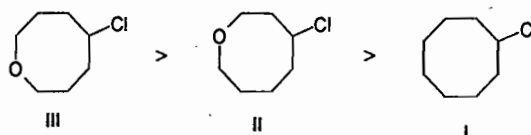




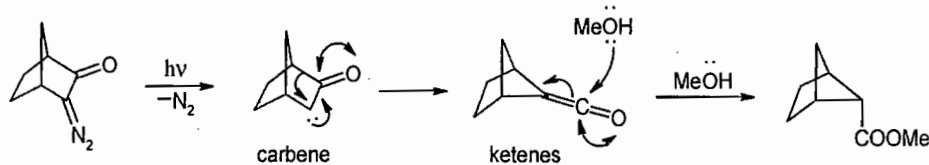
99) Ans (c):- Manganese dioxide chemoselective reagent for oxidation of the allylic/benzylic alcohol to give the aldehyde or ketone.



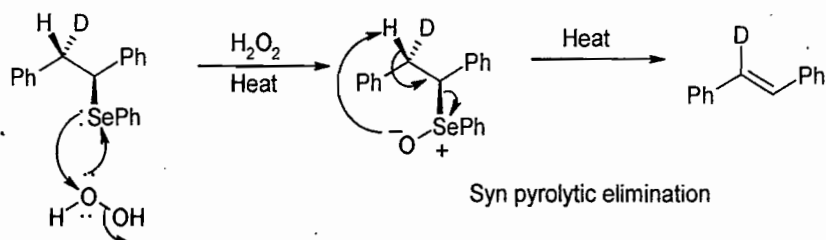
100) Ans (b):- Among I, II & III; II & III will react faster due to internal nucleophile but among II & III; III will react faster than II due to more stable five member ring intermediate. Compound I will react slowly since solvolysis process, solvent (acetic acid) acts as a weak nucleophile. Therefore the relative rate of solvolysis of chlorides is:- III > II > I



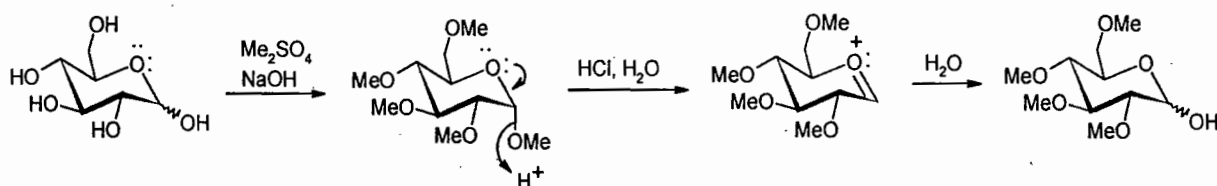
101) Ans (c):- It is an example of the Wolff rearrangement:- reaction of diazoketones to give carboxylic acid, or its derivative. In cyclic diazoketones, the rearrangement leads to ring contraction.



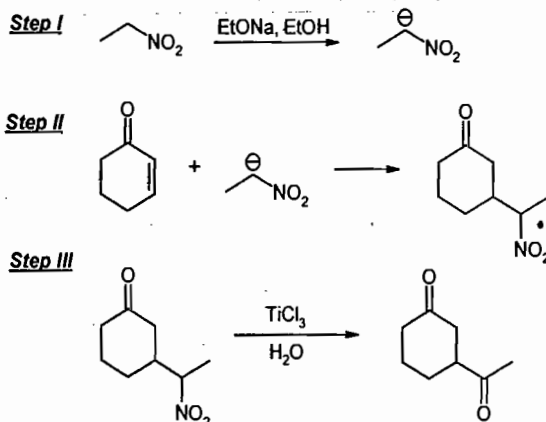
102) Ans (c):- First step is oxidation of phenylselenenyl to selenoxide which at elevated temperature undergo pyrolytic elimination &



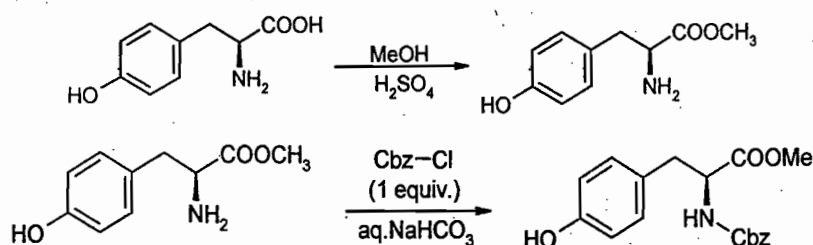
103) Ans (c):- The major product formed in the reaction is:-



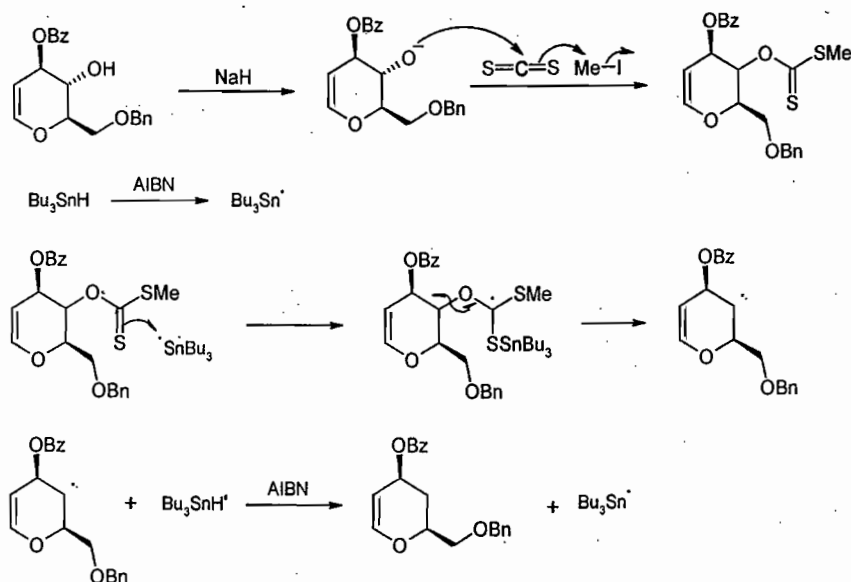
104) Ans (a):- Initially a resonance stabilized enolate ion (nucleophile) is produced in presence of a strong base.



**105) Ans (b):**- First step is simple esterification step to give X and in second step Cbz (carboxybenzyl) group is one of the most important nitrogen-protecting groups & are put on by treating with benzyl chloroformate (BnOCOCI) and weak base.



**106) Ans (a):**- The most suitable reagent combination is: - i. NaH, CS<sub>2</sub> then MeI; ii. Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH, AIBN, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, reflux



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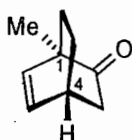
# Topic 16

## STEREOCHEMISTRY

### Questions with two marks

1) The configuration at the two stereocentres in the compound given below are

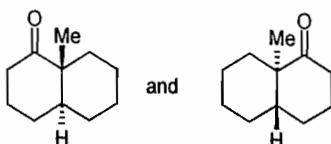
[June 2011]



- (a) 1R, 4R      (b) 1R, 4S      (c) 1S, 4R      (d) 1S, 4S

2) The two compounds given below are

[June 2011]



- (a) Enantiomers      (b) Identical      (c) Diastereomers      (d) Regioisomers.

3) In the most stable conformation of trans-1-t-butyl-3-methylcyclohexane, the substituents at C-1 and C-3, respectively, are

[June 2011]

- (a) Axial and equatorial      (b) Equatorial and equatorial  
(c) Equatorial and axial      (d) Axial and axial.

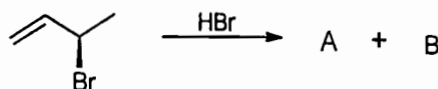
4) Addition of  $\text{BH}_3$  to a carbon-carbon double bond is

[June 2011]

- (a) anti-Markovnikov syn addition      (b) anti-Markovnikov anti addition  
(c) Markovnikov syn addition      (d) Markovnikov anti addition.

5) In the following Markonikov addition reaction, the products A and B are

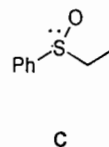
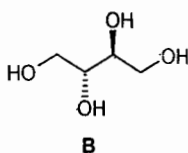
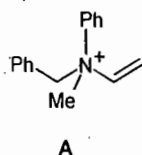
[Dec 2011]



- (a) homomers      (b) enantiomers      (c) diastereomers      (d) regioisomers

6) Among A-C, the compounds which can exhibit optical activity are

[Dec 2011]



- (a) A, B and C      (b) A and B only      (c) A and C only      (d) B and C only

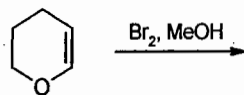
7) Epoxidation of (R)-cyclohex-2-enol with peracetic acid yields a 95:5 mixture of compounds A and B. Compounds A and B are

[June 2012]

- (a) Enantiomers      (b) Diastereomers      (c) Constitutional isomers      (d) Homomers

8) The major product formed in the following reaction is

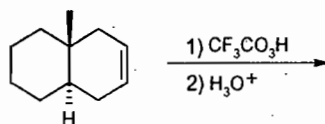
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- (a) (b) (c) (d)

9) The major product formed in the following reaction is

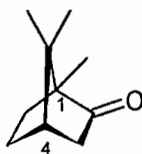
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- (a) (b) (c) (d)

10) The absolute configuration at the two chiral centres of (-)-camphor is

[Dec 2012]



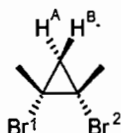
- (a) 1R, 4R (b) 1R, 4S (c) 1S, 4R (d) 1S, 4S

11) The first person to separate a racemic mixture into individual enantiomers is

[Dec 2012]

- (a) J. H van't Hoff (b) L. Pasteur (c) H.E. Fischer (d) F. Wohler

12) In the compound given below, the relation between  $\text{H}^{\text{A}}$ ,  $\text{H}^{\text{B}}$ ; and between  $\text{Br}^1$ ,  $\text{Br}^2$  is [Dec-2012]



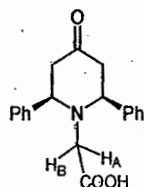
- (a)  $\text{H}^{\text{A}}$ ,  $\text{H}^{\text{B}}$  are enantiotopic; and  $\text{Br}^1$ ,  $\text{Br}^2$  are diastereotopic  
 (b)  $\text{H}^{\text{A}}$ ,  $\text{H}^{\text{B}}$  are diastereotopic; and  $\text{Br}^1$ ,  $\text{Br}^2$  are enantiotopic  
 (c)  $\text{H}^{\text{A}}$ ,  $\text{H}^{\text{B}}$  are diastereotopic; and  $\text{Br}^1$ ,  $\text{Br}^2$  are homotopic  
 (d)  $\text{H}^{\text{A}}$ ,  $\text{H}^{\text{B}}$  are enantiotopic; and  $\text{Br}^1$ ,  $\text{Br}^2$  are homotopic.

13) Among the following dibromocyclohexanes, the one that reacts fastest with sodium iodide to give cyclohexene is [June 2013]

- (a) (b) (c) (d)

14) In the compound given below, the hydrogens marked A and B are

[June 2013]



- (a) homotopic (b) isotopic (c) enantiotopic (d) diastereotopic

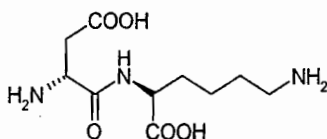
15) The gauche conformation ( $\theta = 60^\circ$ ) of n-butane possess

[June 2013]

- (a) plane of symmetry; and is achiral (b)  $C_2$ -axis of symmetry; and is chiral  
(c) centre of symmetry; and is achiral (d) plane of symmetry; and is chiral

16) The constituent amino acids present in the following dipeptide, respectively, are

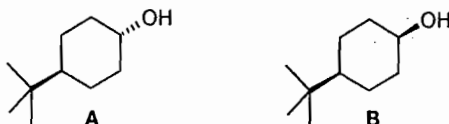
[Dec 2013]



- (a) (R)-aspartic acid and (S)-lysine (b) (S)-aspartic acid and (R)-lysine  
(c) (R)-glutamic acid and (S)-arginine (d) (S)-glutamic acid and (S)-arginine

17) For acylation with acetic anhydride/triethylamine, and oxidation with chromium trioxide of the trans- and cis alcohols A and B, the correct statement is

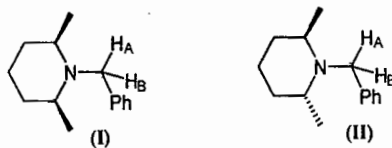
[Dec 2013]



- (a) A undergoes acylation as well as oxidation faster than B  
(b) B undergoes acylation as well as oxidation faster than A  
(c) A undergoes acylation faster than B, whereas B undergoes oxidation faster than A  
(d) B undergoes acylation faster than A, whereas A undergoes oxidation faster than B

18) The two benzylic hydrogens  $H_A$  and  $H_B$  in the compounds I and II, are

[Dec 2013]

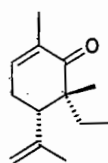


- (a) diastereotopic in I and enantiotopic in II (b) diastereotopic in II and enantiotopic in I  
(c) diastereotopic in both I and-II (d) enantiotopic in both I and-II

19) An aqueous solution of an optically pure compound of concentration 100 mg in 1 ml of water and measured in a quartz tube of 5 cm length was found to be  $-3^\circ$ . The specific rotation is [June 2014]

- (a)  $-30^\circ$  (b)  $-60^\circ$  (c)  $-6^\circ$  (d)  $+6^\circ$

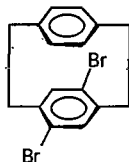
20) The absolute configuration of the two stereogenic (chiral) centres in the following molecule is [June 2014]



- (a) 5R,6R (b) 5R,6S (c) 5S,6R (d) 5S,6S

21) The correct statement about the following molecule is

[June 2014]



- (a) Molecule is chiral and possesses a chiral plane  
 (b) Molecule is chiral and possesses a chiral axis  
 (c) Molecule is achiral and possesses a plane of symmetry  
 (d) Molecule is achiral and possesses a centre of symmetry

22) Consider following the statements about *cis*- and *trans*-decalins

[June 2014]

- (A) *cis*-isomer is more stable than *trans*- isomers  
 (B) *trans*-isomer is more stable than *cis*- isomers  
 (C) *trans*- isomers undergoes ring-flip  
 (D) *cis*- isomers undergoes ring-flip

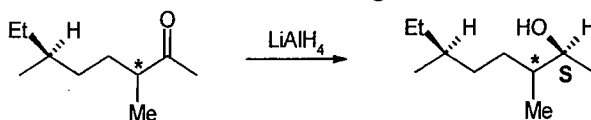
The correct statements among the above are

- (a) B and D                      (b) A and C                      (c) A and D                      (d) B and C

23) In the most stable conformation of neomenthol, stereochemical orientation of the three substituents on the cyclohexane ring are

- (a) OH: equatorial; i-Pr: equatorial and Me: equatorial                      (b) OH: axial; i-Pr: equatorial and Me: equatorial  
 (c) OH: equatorial; i-Pr: equatorial and Me: axial                      (d) OH: equatorial; i-Pr: axial and Me: equatorial

24) The absolute configuration of the chiral centres of starting ketone in the following reaction is [Dec 2014]

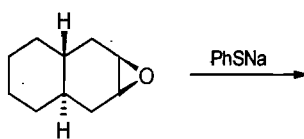


- (a) 3R, 6S                      (b) 3S, 6S                      (c) 3R, 6R                      (d) 3S, 6R

**Questions with four marks**

25) The major product formed in the following reaction is

[June 2011]



- (a) (b) (c) (d)

26) The gauche interaction values for Me/Me, Me/Br and Br/Br are 3.3, 0.8 and 3.0 kJ/mol, respectively.

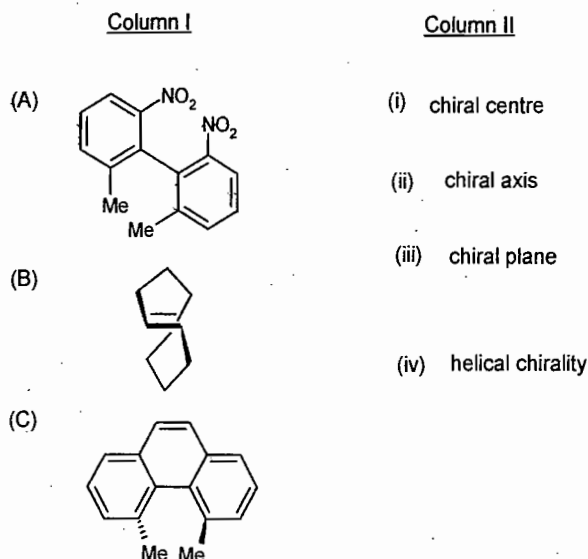
Among the following, the most stable conformation of 2, 3-dibromobutane is

[June 2011]

- (a) (b) (c) (d)

27) Match the following

[June 2011]



(a) (A)-iii (B)-ii (C)-iv

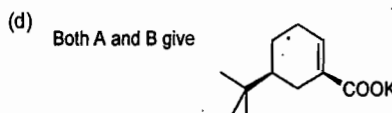
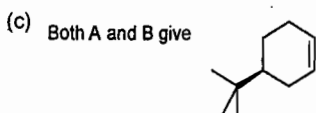
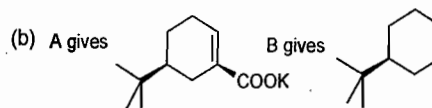
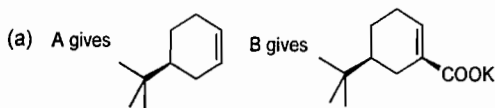
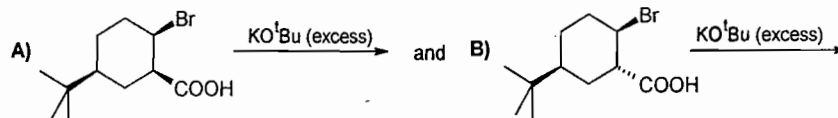
(b) (A)-iv (B)-iii (C)-ii

(c) (A)-ii (B)-iv (C)-iii

(d) (A)-ii (B)-iii (C)-iv

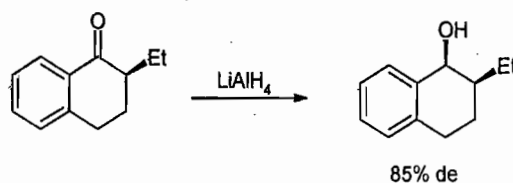
28) For the following two reactions A and B, the correct statement is

[June 2012]



29) Considering the following reaction, among a-c, the correct statements are

[June 2012]



(A) The carbonyl group has enantiotopic faces;

(B) The hydride attack is re-facial;

(C) It is a diastereoselective reduction.

(a) (a) and (b) only

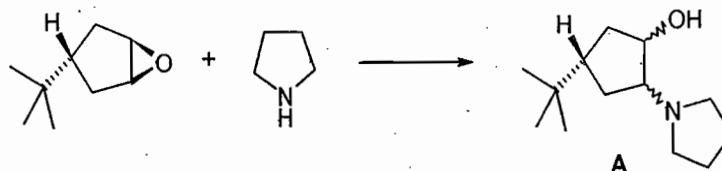
(b) (a) and (c) only

(c) (b) and (c) only

(d) (a), (b) and (c)

30) Among the choices, the correct statements for A formed in the following reaction

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(a) A is a single enantiomer

(b) A is a racemic mixture

(c) A is a mixture of two diastereomers

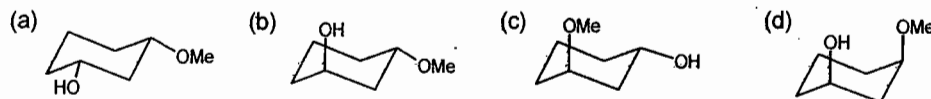
(d) A is a mixture of two epimers.





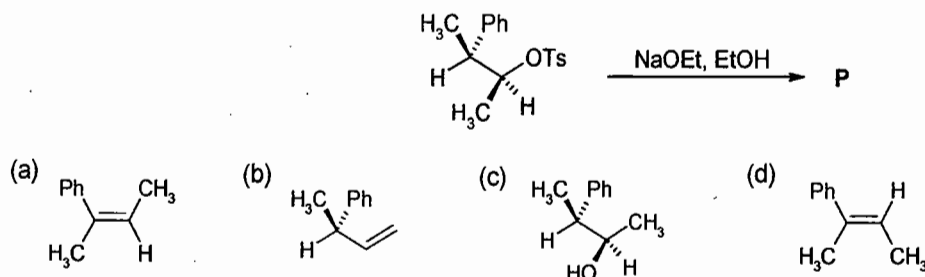
37) Among the following, the most stable isomer for 3-methoxycyclohexanol is

(GATE 2005)



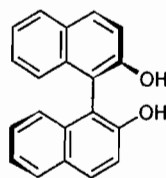
38) The major product P of the given reaction is

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39) The binaphthol (Bnp) is

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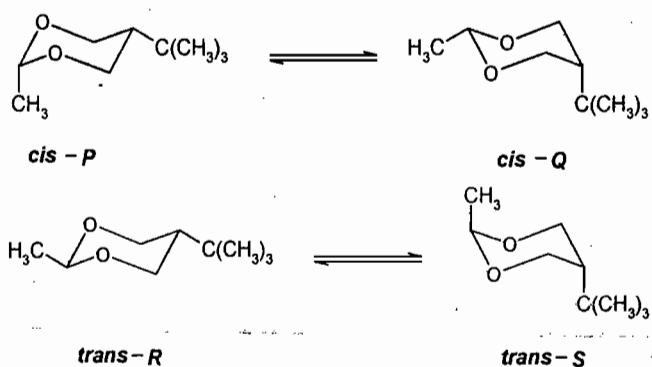


Bnp

- (a) an optically active compound with (R)-configuration
- (b) an optically inactive compound
- (c) a meso compound
- (d) an optically active compound with (S)-configuration

40) Cis and trans-2-methyl-5-t-butyl-1,3-dioxane each can exist as two conformers as shown below

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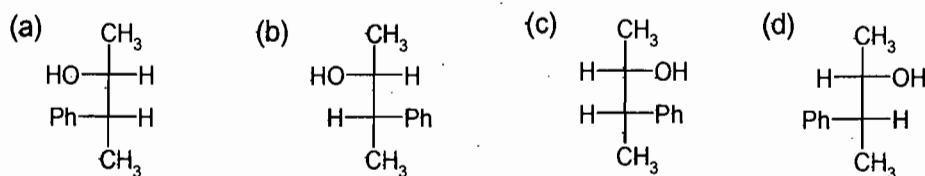


The preferred conformations for the cis- and trans-compounds will be

- (a) P, R
- (b) Q, S
- (c) P, S
- (d) Q, R

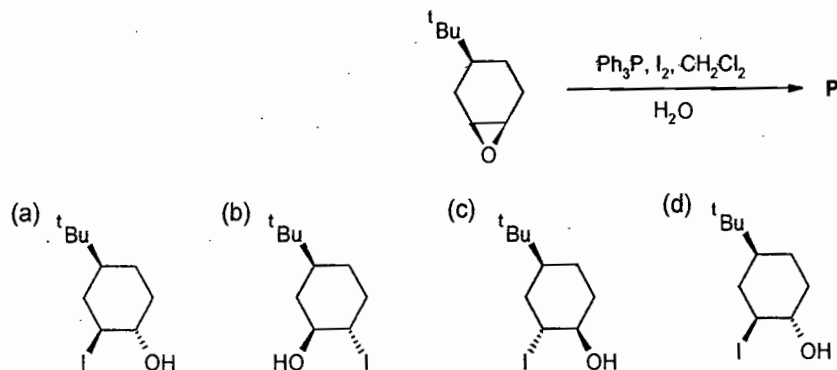
41) The major stereoisomer obtained in the reaction of (S)-2-phenylpropanal with MeMgBr is

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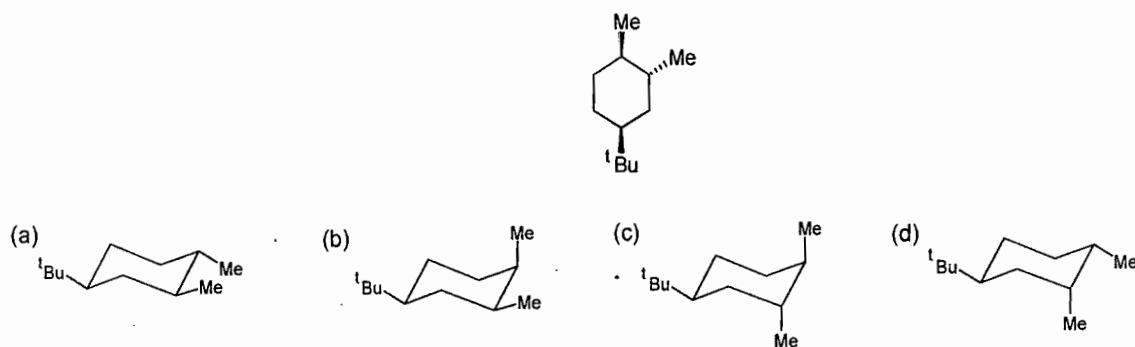
42) The major stereoisomer P obtained in the following reaction is

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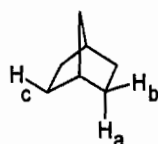
43) The most stable conformation of the following compound is

(GATE 2006)



44) Identify the correct stereochemical relationship amongst the hydrogen atoms H<sub>a</sub>, H<sub>b</sub>, and H<sub>c</sub> in the following compound

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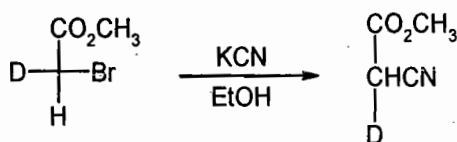


- (a) H<sub>a</sub> and H<sub>b</sub> : enantiotopic  
 (c) H<sub>a</sub> and H<sub>c</sub> : enantiotopic

- (b) H<sub>a</sub> and H<sub>b</sub> : diastereotopic  
 (d) H<sub>b</sub> and H<sub>c</sub> : diastereotopic

45) The configurations of the reactant and product in the following reaction, respectively, are

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(a) R, R

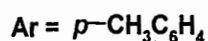
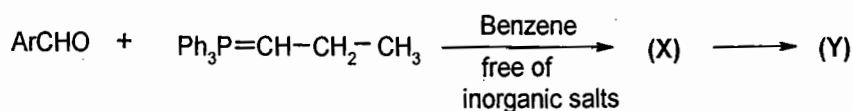
(b) R, S

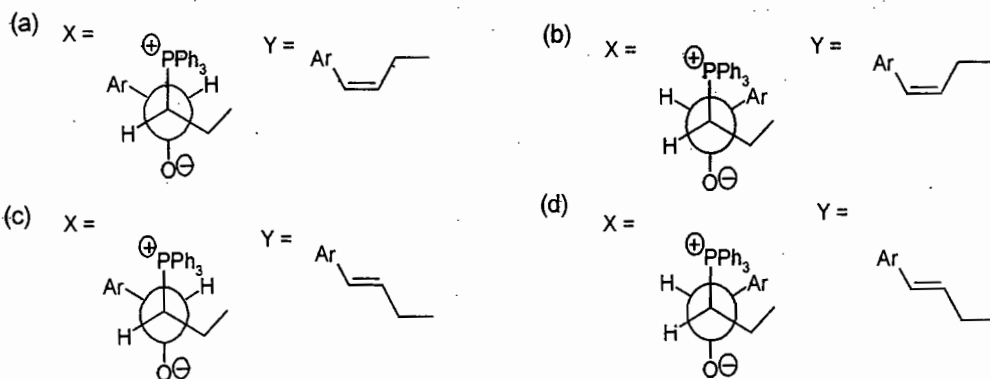
(c) S, R

(d) S, S

46) In the following Wittig reaction the structure of intermediate X and major products Y, respectively are

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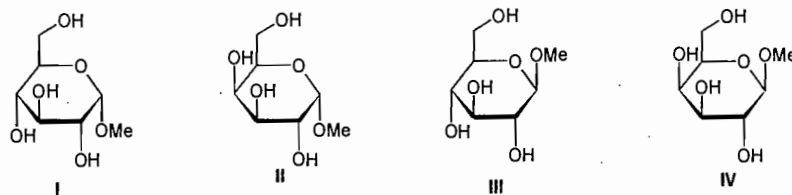




47) Identify the CORRECT set of stereochemical relationships amongst the following monosaccharides

I-IV

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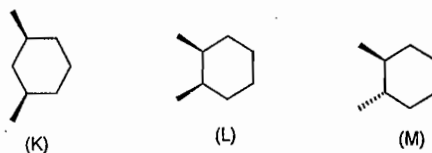


- (a) I and II are anomers; III and IV are epimers  
 (c) I and II are epimers; III and IV are anomers

- (b) I and III are epimers; II and IV are anomers  
 (d) I and III are anomers; I and II are epimers

48) The molecule(s) that exist as meso structure(s) is / are

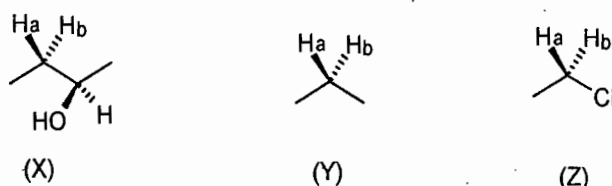
(GATE 2007)



- (a) only M (b) both K and L (c) only L (d) only K

49) The stereochemical descriptors for the atoms labeled  $H_a$ , and  $H_b$  in the structures respectively are

(GATE 2007)



- (a) X-homotopic, Y-enantiotopic and Z-diastereotopic  
 (b) X-enantiotopic, Y-homotopic and Z-diastereotopic  
 (c) X-diastereotopic, Y-homotopic and Z-enantiotopic  
 (d) X-homotopic, Y-diastereotopic and Z-enantiotopic

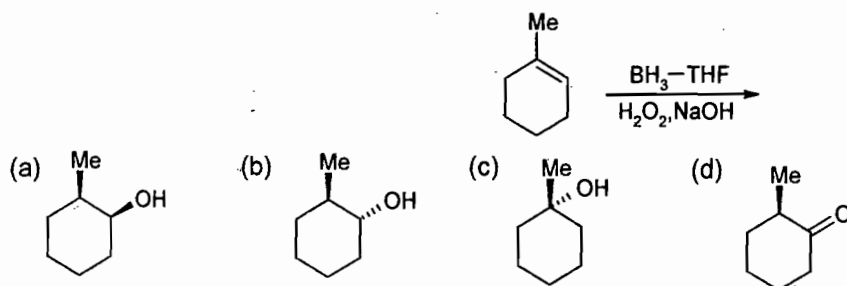
50) The result of the reduction of either (R) or (S) 2-methylcyclohexanone, in separate reactions, using  $LiAlH_4$ , is that the reduction of

(GATE 2007)

- (a) the R enantiomer is stereoselective  
 (b) the R enantiomer is stereospecific  
 (c) the S enantiomer is stereospecific  
 (d) both the R and S enantiomers is stereoselective

51) The major product of the following reactions is

(GATE 2008)



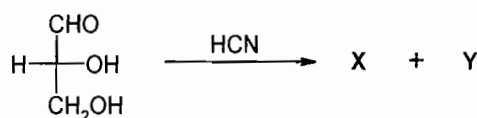
52) The number of optically active stereoisomers possible for 1,3-cyclohexanediol in its chair conformation is

(GATE 2008)

- (a) 4 (b) 3 (c) 2 (d) 1

53) In the following reaction,

(GATE 2008)



(D-Glyceraldehyde) ( 2 diastereomers)

The absolute configurations of the chiral centres in X and Y are

- (a) 2S, 3R and 2R, 3R (b) 2R, 3R and 2R, 3S  
 (c) 2S, 3S and 2R, 3R (d) 2S, 3R and 2S, 3R

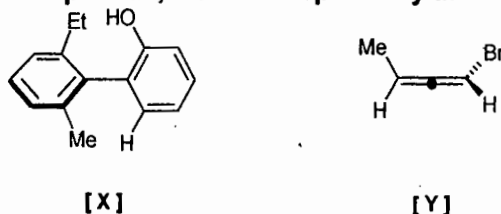
54) For the compound the stereochemical notations are

[GATE 2009]



55) The absolute configurations for compounds, X and Y respectively are

[GATE 2010]



- (a) R,S (b) S,R (c) R,R (d) S,S

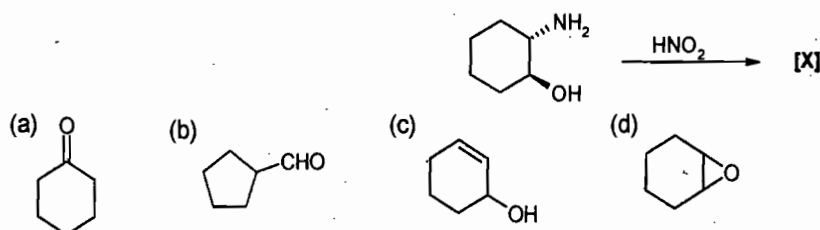
56) Among the following, a pair of resolvable configurational enantiomers is given by

[GATE 2010]

- (a) cis-1,2 dimethylcyclohexane (b) cis-1,3 dimethylcyclohexane  
 (c) cis-1,4 dimethylcyclohexane (d) trans-1,3 dimethylcyclohexane

57) In the following reaction the major product [X] is

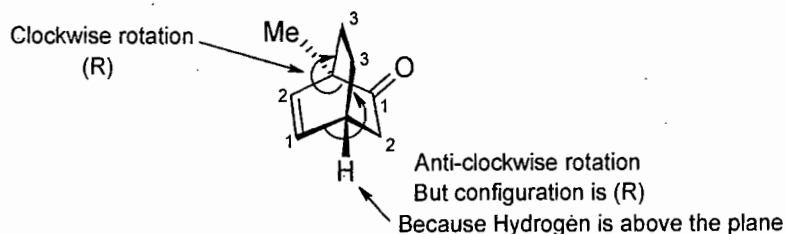
[GATE 2010]



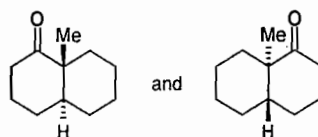


**Hint & solution**

- 1) **Ans (a):-** The configuration at the two stereocentres in the compound given below is 1R, 4R as shown below. (Note:- If the hydrogen is shown above the plane the configuration of that chiral carbon is opposite to that of direction of rotation)

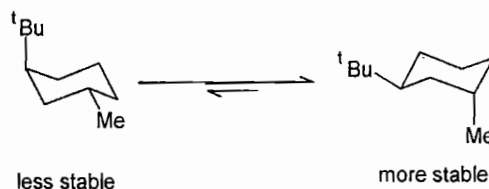


- 2) **Ans (b):-** The two compounds given below are identical. (Check out the configuration at the stereocentres)



- 3) **Ans (c):-** In the most stable conformation of trans-1-t-butyl-3-methylcyclohexane, the substituents at C-1 and C-3, are equatorial and axial respectively (Note:- t-butyl group always stays in the equatorial position)

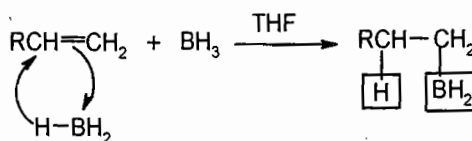
Conformation of trans-1-t-butyl-3-methyl cyclohexane



- 4) **Ans (c):-** Addition of  $\text{BH}_3$  to a carbon-carbon double bond is Markovnikov syn addition

**Markovnikov's rule:-** When an unsymmetrical reagent add to unsymmetrical alkene; the negative part of reagent adds to the  $\text{sp}^2$  carbon that is bonded to the less number of hydrogens.

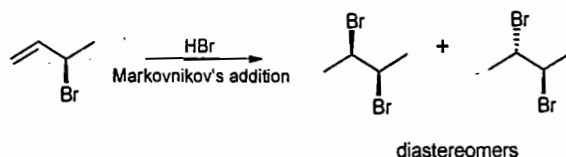
The Boron is less electronegative (2.0) than hydrogen (2.1) so hydrogen must bond to the carbon of the alkene that had fewer hydrogens attached to it. The addition of borane to an alkene is an example of a syn addition



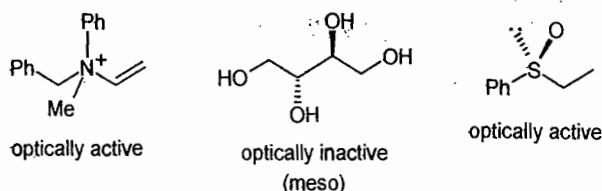
- i) **Ans (c):-** In the following Markonikov addition reaction, the products A and B are diastereomers.

The term Diastereoisomers arises when there is more than one stereocentre.

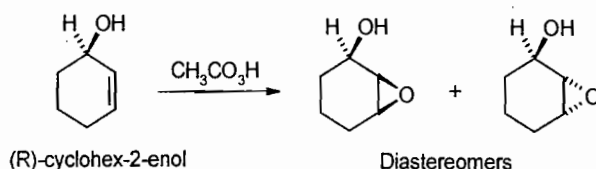
Diastereoisomers are stereoisomers that are not enantiomers i.e. that are not mirror images.



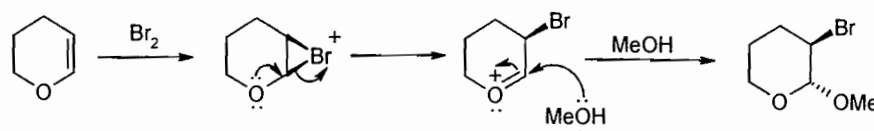
- ) **Ans (c):-** Quaternary ammonium ions with four different group are optically active(A); similarly the sulfur is also optically active center if two alkyl group attached to sulfur in sulfoxide are different (C). Compound (B) is meso compound & is optically inactive due to plane of symmetry.



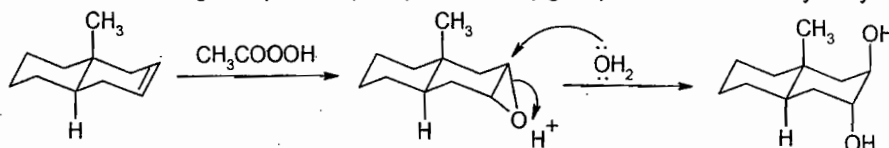
7) **Ans (b):-** The compound A & B are Diastereoisomers. The term Diastereoisomers arises when there are more than one stereocentre. Diastereoisomers are stereoisomers that are not enantiomers i.e. that are not mirror images.



8) **Ans (b):-**

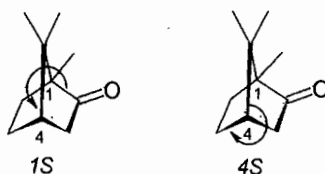


9) **Ans (d):-** Peracid add to alkene to give epoxide (away from CH<sub>3</sub>) group which on acid hydrolysis gives trans diol.



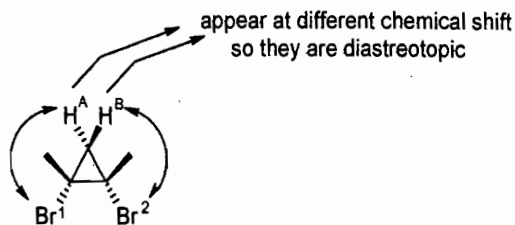
10) **Ans (d):-** The absolute configuration at the two chiral centres of (-)-camphor is 1S, 4S.

(Note: - In case of C-4 lowest priority group is on front side & therefore the configuration of that chiral carbon is opposite to that of direction of rotation)



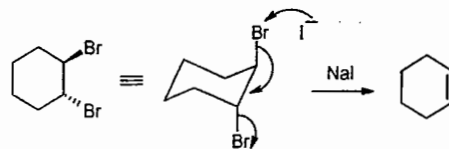
11) **Ans (b):-** L. Pasteur is the first person who separates a racemic mixture into individual enantiomers

12) **Ans (b):-** If a carbon is bonded to two hydrogens and replacing each of them in turn with deuterium (or another group) creates a pair of diastereomers, the hydrogens are called diastereotopic hydrogens. They do not have the same reactivity (chemically different) with achiral reagents & appear at different chemical shifts in the NMR spectrum. Homotopic groups cannot be distinguished & they are chemically entirely identical. While enantiotopic groups can be distinguished still they appear identical in the NMR spectrum.

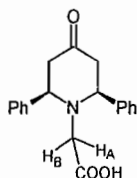


Environment of Br is different so they are enantiotopic.  
But magnetically they are same.

13) Ans (c):- Trans-1,2-dibromocyclohexanes reacts fastest with sodium iodide to give cyclohexene

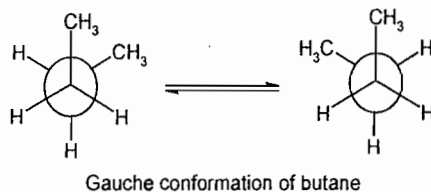


14) Ans (c):- Two groups are enantiotopic if they are related to one another by a plane of symmetry or centre of symmetry. Transformations of enantiotopic groups give rise to enantiomers. Thus two benzylic hydrogens  $H_A$  and  $H_B$  in the compounds I and II, are enantiotopic



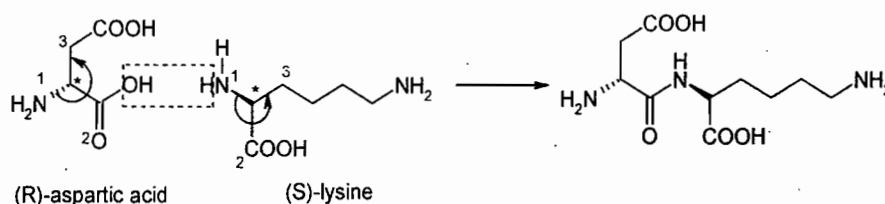
15) Ans (b):- The gauche conformation ( $\theta = 60^\circ$ ) of n-butane possess  $C_2$ -axis of symmetry; and is chiral.

Note:- It may possible that achiral molecule (butane) can have chiral conformation (gauche conformations of butane). The gauche butane has a two chiral, enantiomeric conformations.



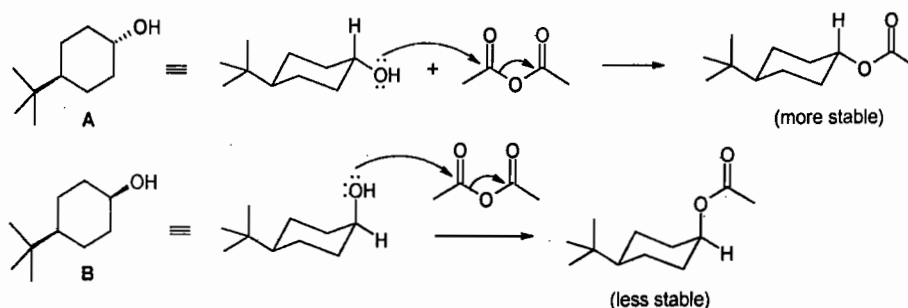
16) Ans (a):- Amino acids present are, (R)-aspartic acid and (S)-lysine respectively.

(Note:- If the hydrogen is shown above the plane the configuration is opposite to the direction of rotation; see the direction of rotation in aspartic acid which is anti-clockwise but we use (R) term because -H is above the plane)



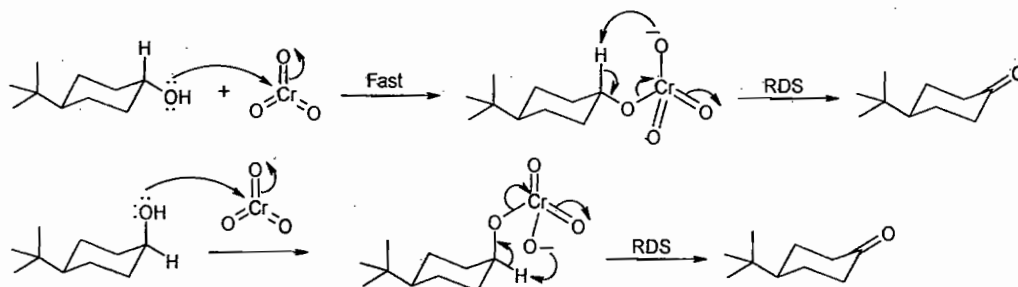
17) Ans (c):- A undergoes acylation faster than B, whereas B undergoes oxidation faster than A.

In cyclohexane bulky group always prefer equatorial position so acylation of equatorial alcohol takes place with faster rate & bulky acyl group stay at equatorial position.

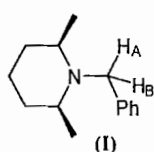
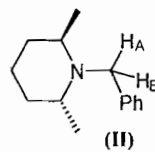


But oxidation of axial alcohol with chromium trioxide is occur with faster rate than equatorial alcohol. because abstraction of equatorial hydrogen is more easily accessible in axial chromate ester than the abstraction of axial hydrogen in equatorial chromate ester





- 18) Ans (b):-** Two groups are enantiotopic if they are related to one another by a plane of symmetry or centre of symmetry. Transformations of enantiotopic groups give rise to enantiomers (compound I). Two groups which cannot be interchanged by any symmetry operation are described as diastereotopic. Transformation of diastereotopic groups give rise to diastereomers (compound II). Thus two benzylic hydrogens  $H_A$  and  $H_B$  in the compounds I and II, are enantiotopic & diastereotopic respectively.

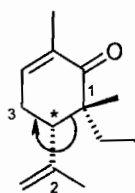

 $H_A$  &  $H_B$  are enantiotopic

 $H_A$  &  $H_B$  are diastereotopic

- 19) Ans (b):-** The specific rotation is  $-60^\circ$   
 Given:- optical rotation:-  $-3^\circ$   
 concentration:- 100 mg in 1 ml =  $0.01 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$   
 path length:- 5 cm

$$\text{Specific rotation} = \frac{\text{optical rotation}}{\text{concentration} \times \text{path length}}$$

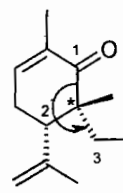
$$[\alpha] = \frac{\alpha}{cl} = \frac{-3^\circ}{0.01 \times 5} = -60^\circ$$

- 20) Ans (c):-** The absolute configuration of the two stereogenic (chiral) centres is  $5S, 6R$



Clockwise rotation

But absolute configuration of  $C_5$  is (S)  
 Because Hydrogen is shown above the plane

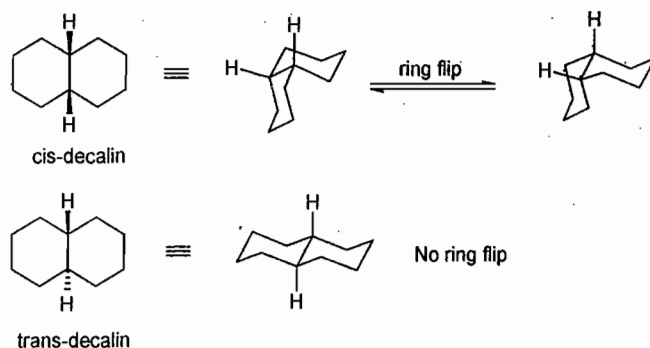


Anti-clockwise rotation

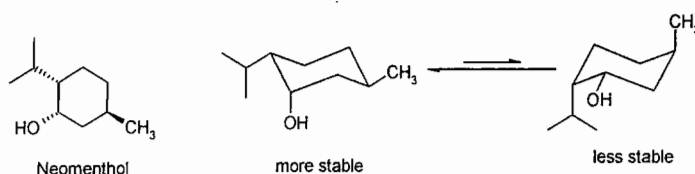
But absolute configuration of  $C_6$  is (R)  
 Because lowest priority group is shown above the plane

- 21) Ans (a):-** Molecule is chiral and possesses a chiral plane

- 22) Ans (a):-** *cis*-decalin can undergo ring flips, but *trans*-decalin cannot undergo ring flip because of too much ring strain. In *trans*-decalin, all carbons are equatorial, whereas in *cis*-decalin, one carbon is equatorial and the other is axial. *Trans*-decalin is more stable than *cis*-decalin & stability can be explained by gauche butane interaction. In *cis*-decalin three such gauche interactions are present while in *trans*-decalin no such gauche interaction is present since each ring is joined through equatorial bonds. Three gauche interaction in *cis*-decalin make it  $8.8\text{--}11.4 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$  less stable than *trans*-decalin.



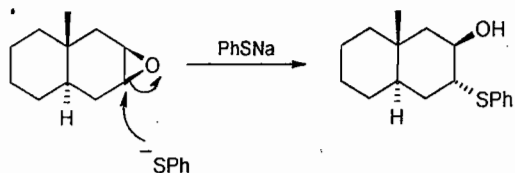
23) Ans (b):- In the most stable conformation of neomenthol, OH: axial; i-Pr: equatorial and Me: equatorial



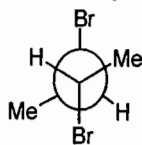
24) Ans (a):- The *anti* stereoisomer of the alcohol predominates in the product in the reduction by using  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  of the carbonyl compound with a stereogenic centre adjacent to the carbonyl group.



25) Ans (b):- It is simple  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$  reaction of  $\text{PhS}^-$  on epoxide from less hindered back side (away from methyl group).



26) Ans (b):- The most stable conformation of 2, 3-dibromobutane is (b) in which Me/Br are gauche to each other because gauche interaction values for Me/Br is only 0.8 kJ/mol, which is least among all



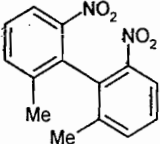

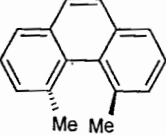
Both bulky groups are away from each other

27) Ans (d):- Axially chiral:- If two perpendicular planes which are not symmetry planes & if these *disymmetric* (chiral) planes cannot freely rotate against each other, the corresponding compounds are chiral. Compounds of this type are said to be *axially chiral* e.g. *Allenes*

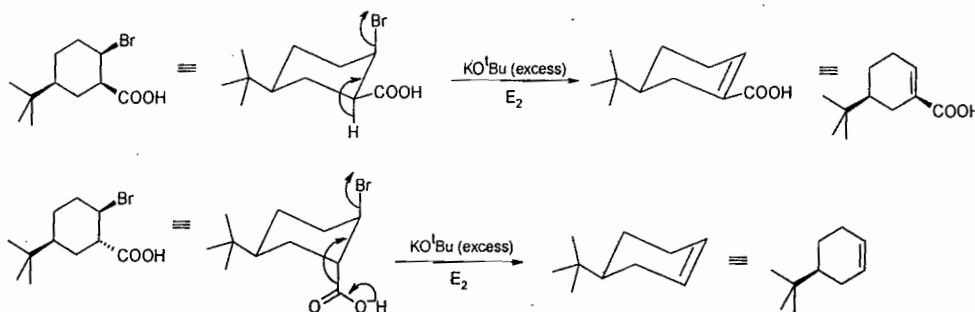
Axially chiral:- In biphenyl- and binaphthyl-derivatives if both aromatic ring systems are asymmetrically substituted, the compounds are chiral. As the chirality of these structures originates not from an asymmetrically substituted atom center, but from an asymmetric axis (chiral axis) around which rotation is hindered.

Helices:- Helices are chiral as they can exist in enantiomeric forms. Typical examples for helical structures are provided by the helicenes (benzologues of phenanthrene).

Planar chirality :-It may arise if an appropriately substituted planar group of atoms or ring system is bridged by a linker-chain extending into the space above or below of this plane. Common examples are the planar chirality of cyclophanes or alkenes

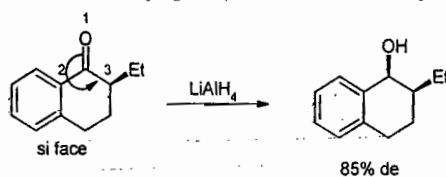
| Molecule  | Reason for chirality |
|---|----------------------|
|  | chiral axis          |
|  | chiral plane         |
|  | helical chirality    |

28) Ans (b):- An E<sub>2</sub> reaction involves the removal of two groups from adjacent carbons. It is a concerted reaction because the two groups are eliminated in the same step therefore the bonds to the groups to be eliminated must be in the same plane that is either antiperiplanar or synperiplanar. Therefore first reaction gives dehydrohalogenation reaction (-H & -Br are anti-periplanar to each other). While in second reaction decarboxylation & loss of bromide is take place (-COOH & -Br are anti-periplanar to each other).



29) Ans (c):- A face is labeled *re* if, the the priorities of substituents at the trigonal atom decrease in clockwise order, and *si* if the priorities decrease in counter-clockwise order.

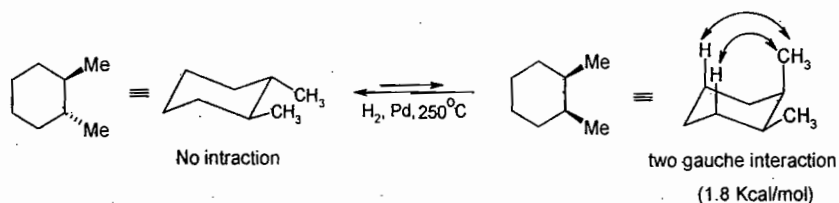
Note that the designation of the resulting chiral center as *S* or *R* depends on the priority of the incoming group. Back side attack on *si* face of carbonyl group; it means the hydride attack is *re*-facial (or you may say that the front side attack on *si* face of carbonyl group; it means the hydride attack is *si*-facial)



If the starting molecule is chiral, then the reaction at prochiral centre is always diastereoselective Therefore the hydride attack is *re*-facial; & reaction is a diastereoselective reduction

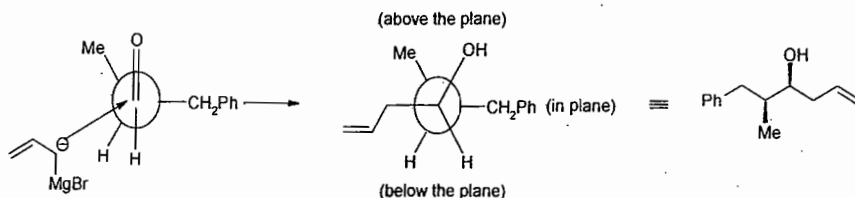
30) Ans (b):- A is a racemic mixture

31) Ans (b):-  $\Delta G$  value of the reaction is 1.8 kcal/mol (two gauche butane interaction  $\therefore 2 \times 0.9 = 1.8$  kcal/mol)



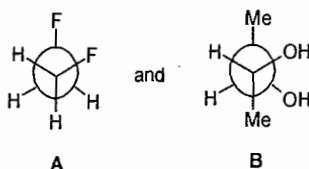
- 32) **Ans (a):-** The most important conformations of a carbonyl compound with a stereogenic centre adjacent to the carbonyl group are those that place the largest group perpendicular to the carbonyl group. The major product arises from the most reactive conformer in which approach of nucleophile is unhindered.

Thus A is the major product and it is a Cram product.



- 33) **Ans (d):-** Generally staggered conformation is lower in energy (more stable) as larger groups are away from each other but in 1, 2-difluoroethane gauche conformation extra stabilized by hyperconjugation that is the donation of electron density from the C-H  $\sigma$  bonding orbital to the C-F  $\sigma^*$  antibonding orbital. Such stabilizing interactions is only possible in gauche conformer which offset the energetic "cost" of steric hindrance.

Thus the most stable conformations of 1, 2-difluoroethane and di-2, 3-butanediol are gauche (A) & staggered respectively (B).

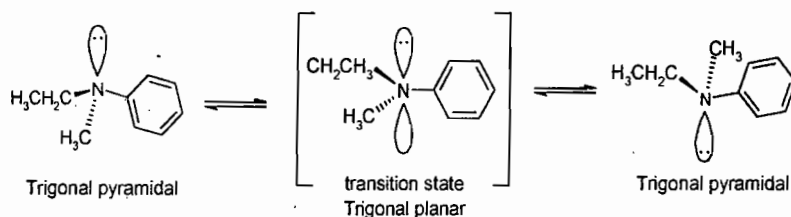


- 34) **Ans (a):-** Compound (a) is optically inactive compound because one of the four "groups" attached to nitrogen is a lone pair, the enantiomers cannot be separated because they interconvert rapidly at room temperature. This is called amine inversion.

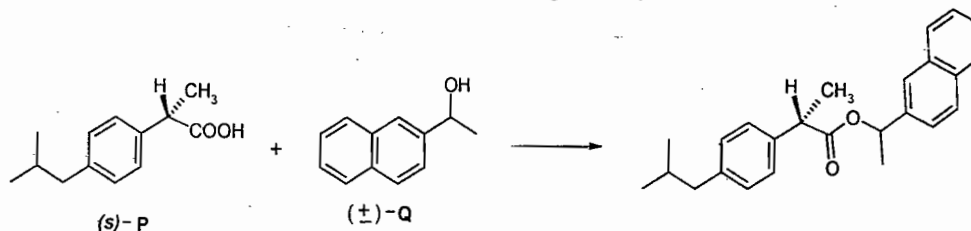
But in case of phosphorous with one lone pair (b), there is a relatively high energy barrier to inversion of molecules, therefore they can be obtained as pure enantiomers.

Compound (c) is axially chiral in which the central atom is  $sp$ -hybridized, and the planes containing the substituents on either end of the double bonds are aligned perpendicular to each other.

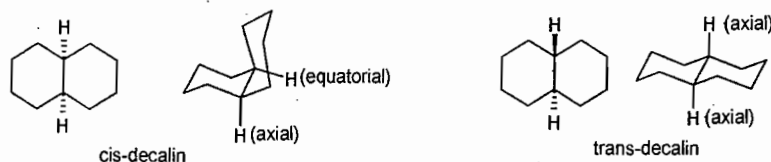
Compound (d) is also optically active as it has four different groups or atoms attached to it and it has a tetrahedral geometry,



- 35) **Ans (d):-** Esterification of the acid P with the alcohols Q will give only one diastereoisomers to avoid steric crowding.



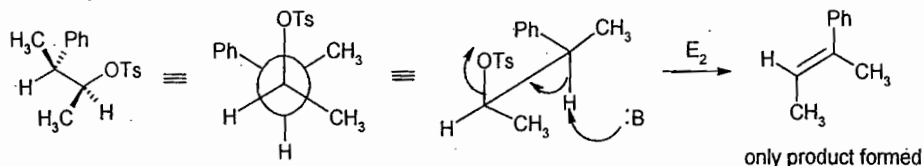
- 36) **Ans (c):-** Bridge-head hydrogen of the conformer of cis-decalin is axial & equatorial (a,e)



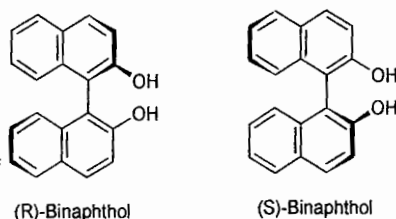
37) Ans (a):- In cyclohexane bulky group always prefer equatorial position so (a) conformation is more stable



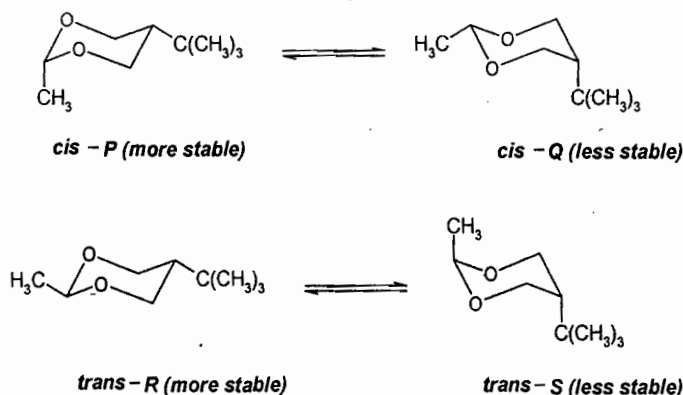
38) Ans (d):- It is an example of E<sub>2</sub> anti-elimination reaction



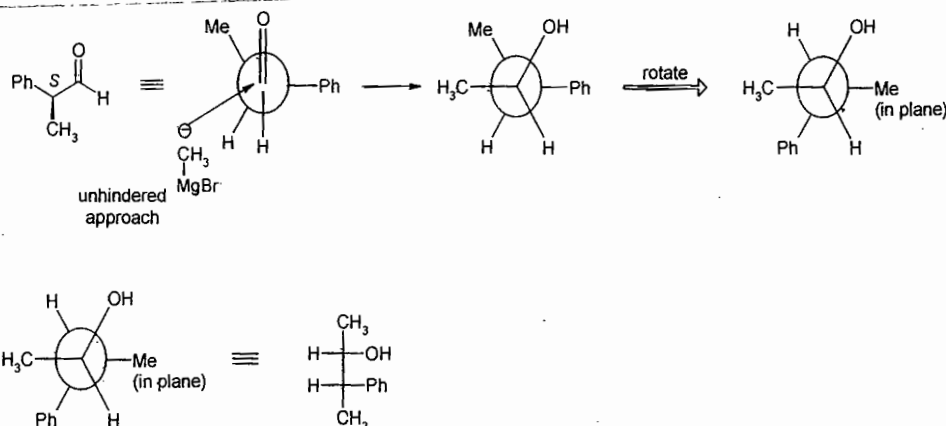
39) Ans (a):- The binaphthol (Bnp) is an optically active compound with (R)-configuration & exist as two separate enantiomers because rotation about the bond is restricted.



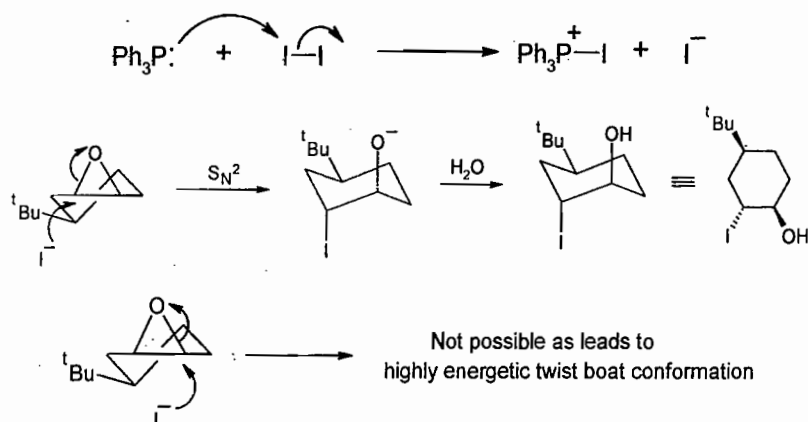
40) Ans (a):- In cyclohexane bulky group always prefer equatorial position (*t*-butyl group always stays in the equatorial position). Therefore *cis*-P & *trans*-R conformation is more stable preferred conformations for *cis* and *trans*-2-methyl-5-*t*-butyl-1,3-dioxane respectively.



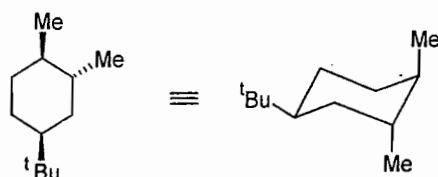
41) Ans (c):- The most important conformations of a carbonyl compound with a stereogenic centre adjacent to the carbonyl group are those that place the largest group perpendicular to the carbonyl group. The major product arises from the most reactive conformer in which approach of nucleophile is unhindered.



42) Ans (c):- Ring opening of cyclohexene oxides always leads directly to diaxial products.



43) Ans (c):- The most stable conformation is:-

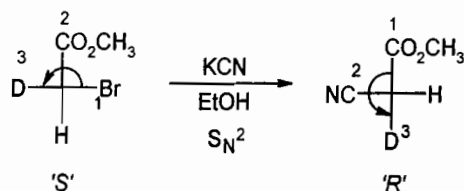


44) Ans (a):- H<sub>a</sub> and H<sub>b</sub> : enantiotopic

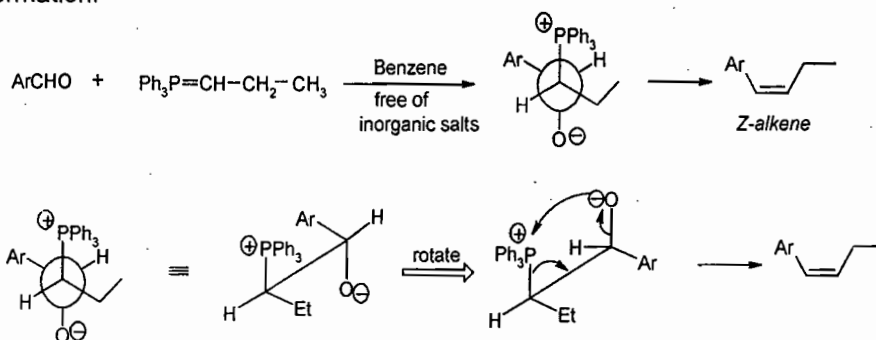
Enantiotopic:- the atoms are said to be enantiotopic if one of two equivalent atoms in a molecule is replaced by a test group, it results in a enantiomers

45) Ans (c):- The configurations of the reactant and product in the reaction is 'S' & 'R' respectively.

(In product hydrogen is in plane therefore the configuration of that chiral carbon is opposite to that of direction of rotation)

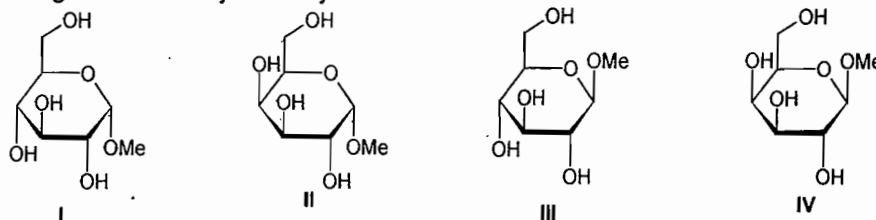


46) Ans (a):- Hint: - the Wittig reaction with unstabilized ylids is Z selective & therefore reaction must go through this conformation.



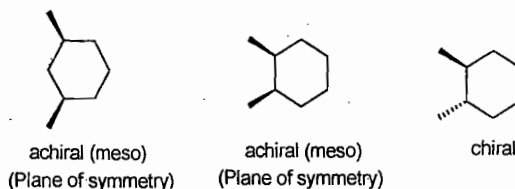
47) Ans (d):- Anomers are two sugars that differ in configuration only at the C-1 carbon.

Epimers differ in configuration at only one asymmetric carbon other than C-1



I & III are anomers ; I & II are epimer

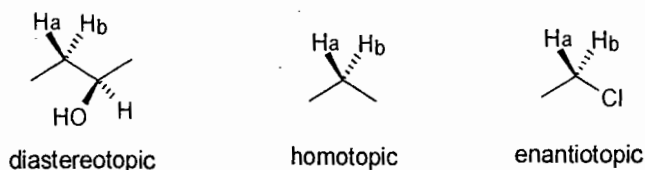
48) Ans (b):- K & L exist as *meso* structure(s) due to plane of symmetry



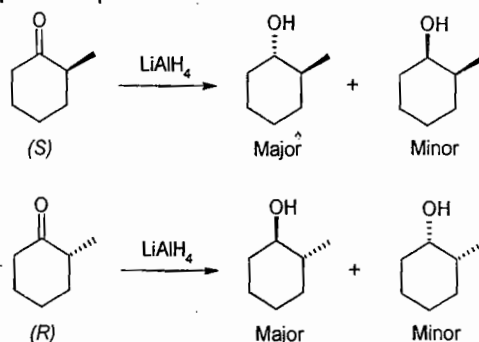
49) Ans (c):- X-diastereotopic, Y-homotopic and Z-enantiotopic

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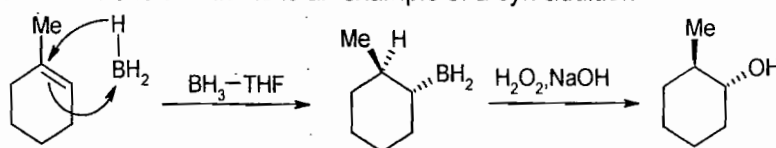
Diastereotopic:- the atoms are said to be diastereotopic if one of two equivalent atoms in a molecule is replaced by a test group, it results in a diastereomers



50) Ans (d):- The reduction of either (R) or (S) 2-methylcyclohexanone is stereoselective. Trans product is major as both substituent stay at equatorial position.

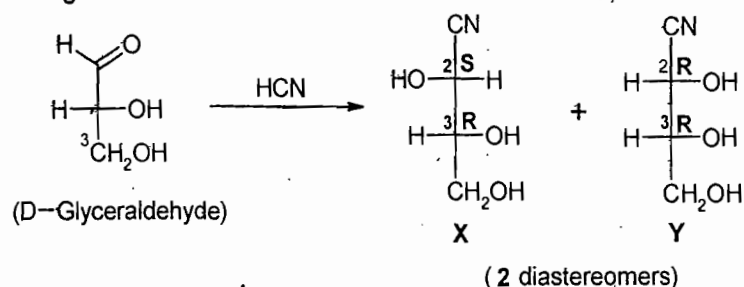


51) Ans (b):- The addition of borane to an alkene is an example of a syn addition



52) Ans (c):- Only trans-isomer of 1,3-cyclohexanediol is optically active while the cis isomer of 1,3-cyclohexanediol is optically inactive due to plane of symmetry. Therefore stereoisomers possible for 1,3-cyclohexanediol in its chair conformation is two

53) Ans (a):- The absolute configurations of the chiral centres in X and Y are 2S, 3R and 2R, 3R

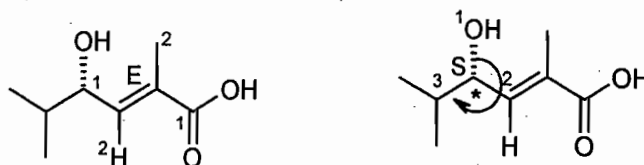


54) Ans (d):- The stereochemical notations for given compound are  $2E, 4S$

If the higher priority groups are on the opposite sides of double bond, the isomer is denoted by the E.

If the higher priority groups are on the same sides of double bond, the isomer is denoted by the Z.

And configuration of chiral carbon is S (Note: - If the hydrogen is shown above the plane then the configuration of that chiral carbon is opposite to that of direction of rotation)



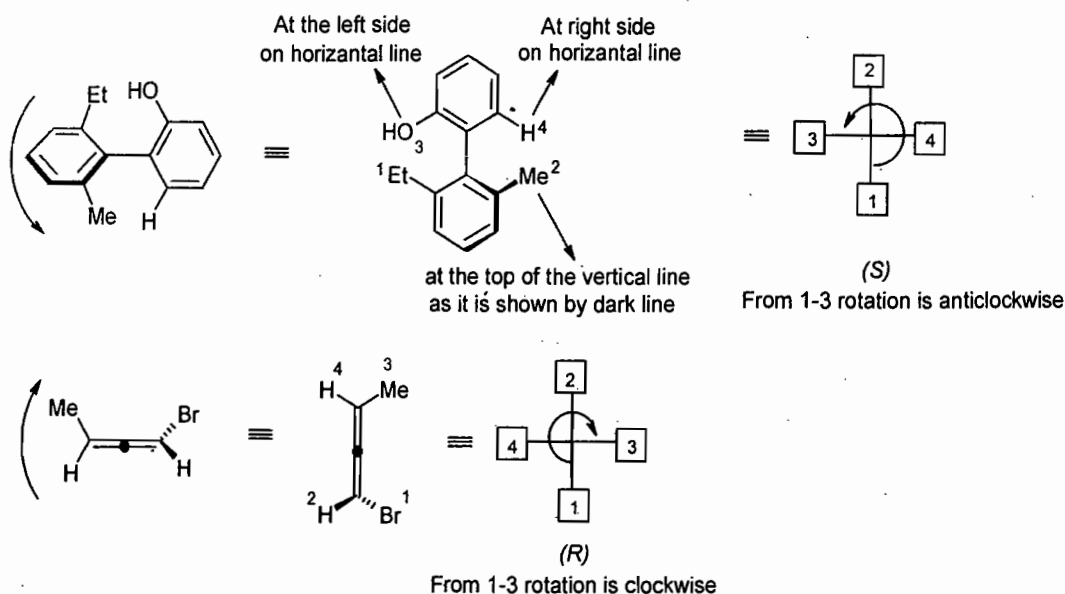
55) Ans (b):- Absolute configurations in allenes & biphenyls:-

Rule 1:- Turn the molecule to bring the perpendicular group at bottom.

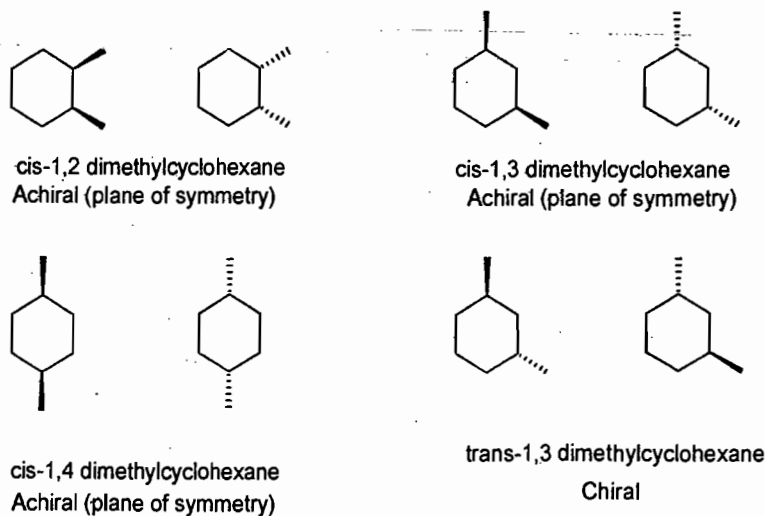
Rule 2:- View the molecule from bottom.

Rule 3:- Put the perpendicular group on vertical line (group shown by dark line put it on top side of vertical line & group shown by dotted line put it on bottom side of vertical line); & give an order of priority either 1 or 2 to either group

Rule 4:- the groups which are in plane put them on a horizontal line (left hand side group on left side & right hand side group on right side of a horizontal line) & give an order of priority (either 3 or 4 to either group).

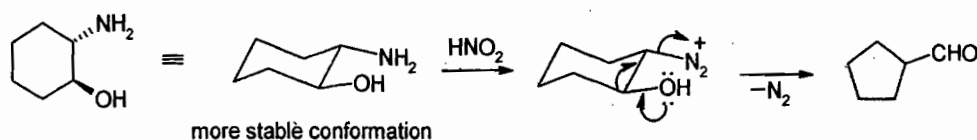


56) Ans (d):- A pair of resolvable configurational enantiomers is given by *trans*-1,3 dimethylcyclohexane

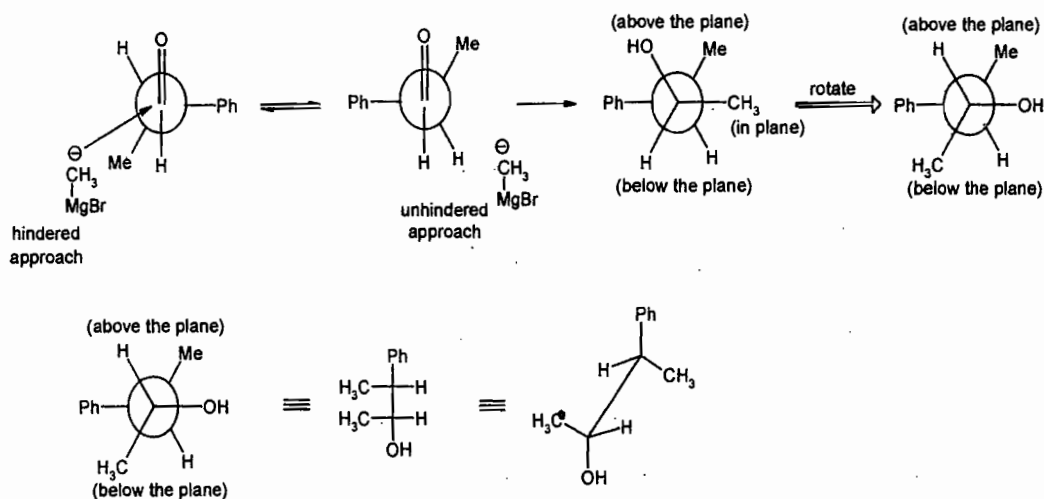




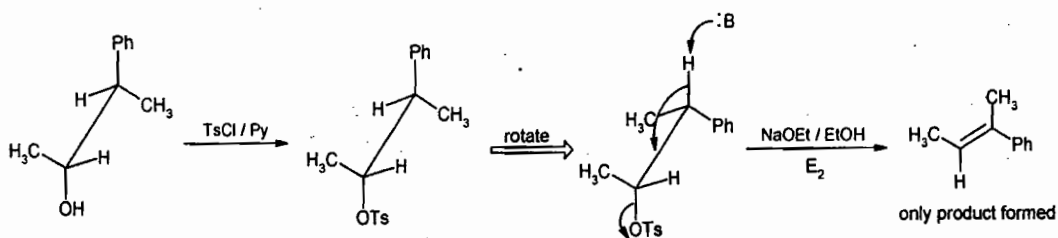
57) Ans (b):- First step is diazotization of amino alcohol followed by rearrangement where the OH group provides the electronic push & result in the ring contraction by an alkyl migration to give product & loss of  $N_2$



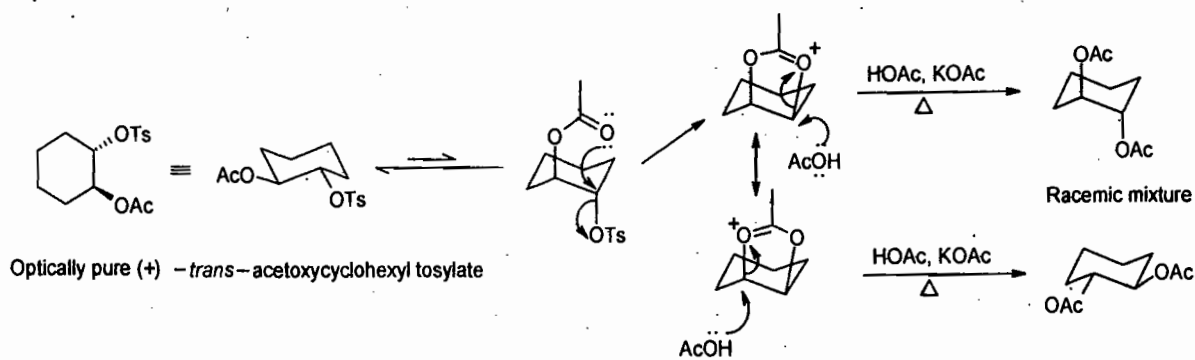
58) Ans (c):- The most important conformations of a carbonyl compound with a stereogenic centre adjacent to the carbonyl group are those that place the largest group perpendicular to the carbonyl group. The major product arises from the most reactive conformer in which approach of nucleophile is unhindered. Thus (c) is the major product.



59) Ans (c):- It is an example of  $E_2$  anti-elimination reaction

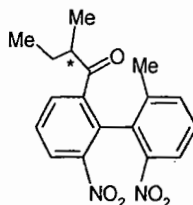


60) Ans (a):- The product of the reaction is racemic *trans*-1,2-cyclohexanediol diacetate by Neighboring Groups participation mechanism.



61) Ans (b):- The maximum number of stereoisomers possible for the compound is four.

(Two stereoisomers because of one chiral carbon atom & as a compound is biphenyl derivative with the chiral axis that is rotation around the single bond is restricted due to steric reason, so two more stereoisomers)



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Topic 17  
**ORGANIC SPECTROSCOPY**

Questions with two marks

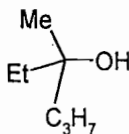
1) The order of carbonyl stretching frequency in the IR spectra of ketone, amide and anhydride is

[June 2011]

- (a) Anhydride > amide > ketone  
(b) Ketone > amide > anhydride  
(c) Amide > anhydride > ketone  
(d) Anhydride > ketone > amide

2) In the mass spectrum of the compound given below, during the  $\alpha$ -cleavage, the order of preferential loss of groups is

[June 2011]



- (a) Me > C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub> > Et  
(b) C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub> > Et > Me  
(c) Et > Me > C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>  
(d) Et > C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub> > Me

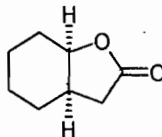
3) The absorption at  $\lambda_{\max}$  279 nm ( $\epsilon = 15$ ) in the UV spectrum of acetone is due to

[June 2011]

- (a)  $\pi-\pi^*$  transition  
(b)  $n-\pi^*$  transition  
(c)  $\sigma-\sigma^*$  transition  
(d)  $\pi-\sigma^*$  transition

4) In the IR spectrum, carbonyl absorption band for the following compound appears at

[Dec 2011]



- (a) 1810cm<sup>-1</sup>  
(b) 1770cm<sup>-1</sup>  
(c) 1730cm<sup>-1</sup>  
(d) 1690cm<sup>-1</sup>

5) In the mass spectrum of dodecahedrane C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>, approximate ratio of the peaks at m/z 260 and 261 is

[Dec 2011]

- (a) 1 : 1  
(b) 5 : 1  
(c) 10 : 1  
(d) 20 : 1

6) An organic compound (MF: C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O) exhibited the following <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectral data :-  $\delta$  2.5 (3 H, s), 3.8 (3H, s), 6.8 (2 H, d, J 8 Hz), 7.2 (2 H, d, J 8 Hz) ppm. The compound among the choices, is

[Dec 2011]

- (a) 4-ethylphenol  
(b) 2-ethylphenol  
(c) 4-methylanisole  
(d) 4-methylbenzyl alcohol

7) The number of signals that appear in the broadband decoupled <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of phenanthrene and anthracene, respectively are

[June 2012]

- (a) ten and four  
(b) ten and ten  
(c) seven and four  
(d) seven and seven.

8) In the 400 MHz <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum, an organic compound exhibited a doublet. The two lines of the doublet are at  $\delta$  2.35 and 2.38 ppm. The coupling constant (J) value is

[June 2012]

- (a) 3 Hz  
(b) 6 Hz  
(c) 9 Hz  
(d) 12 Hz

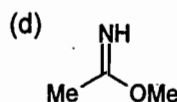
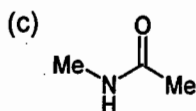
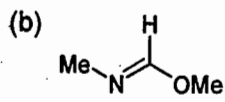
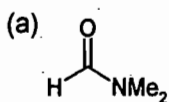
9) <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of HD would show

[Dec 2012]

- (a) a singlet  
(b) a doublet  
(c) a triplet with intensity ratio 1:2:1  
(d) a triplet with intensity ratio 1:1:1

10) In the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum recorded at 293 K, an organic compound ( $\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{NO}$ ), exhibited signals at  $\delta$  7.8 (1H, s); 2.8 (3H, s) and 2.6 (3H, s). The compound is

[Dec 2012]



11) In the IR spectrum of p-nitrophenyl acetate, the carbonyl absorption band appears at

[Dec 2012]

(a)  $1670\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (b)  $1700\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (c)  $1730\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (d)  $1760\text{ cm}^{-1}$ 

12) In NMR spectroscopy, the product of the nuclear 'g' factor ( $g_N$ ), the nuclear magneton  $\beta_N$  and the magnetic field strength ( $B_0$ ) gives the

[June 2013]

(a) energy of transition from  $\alpha$  to  $\beta$  state

(b) chemical shift

(c) spin-spin coupling constant

(d) magnetogyric ratio

13) In the IR spectrum, the absorption band due to carbonyl group in phenyl acetate appears at

[June 2013]

(a)  $1800\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (b)  $1760\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (c)  $1710\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (d)  $1660\text{ cm}^{-1}$ 

14) An AX system gave 4 lines at  $\delta$  4.72, 4.6, 1.12 and 1.0 ppm away from the TMS using an NMR spectrometer operating at 100 MHz. What are the values of  $J_{AX}$  (in Hz) &  $\delta_{AX}$  in ppm, respectively

[June 2013]

(a) 12 and 3.6

(b) 6 and 3.6

(c) 12 and 2.86

(d) 6 and 2.86

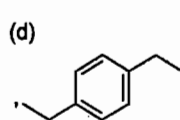
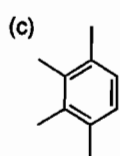
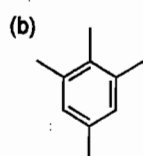
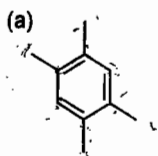
15) In the IR spectrum of p-nitrophenyl acetate, the carbonyl absorption band appears at

[Dec 2013]

(a)  $1660\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (b)  $1700\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (c)  $1730\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (d)  $1770\text{ cm}^{-1}$ 

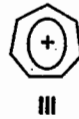
16) An organic compound having the molecular formula  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{14}$  exhibited two singlets in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum and three signals in the  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum. The compound is

[Dec 2013]



17) The correct match of the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR chemical shifts  $\delta$  of the following species/compound is

[June 2014]



(a) I : 5.4; II : 7.2; III : 9.2

(b) I : 9.2; II : 7.2; III : 5.4

(c) I : 9.2; II : 5.4; III : 7.2

(d) I : 7.2; II : 9.2; III : 5.4

18) The ratio of relative intensities of the carbon signals in the first order  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{CD}_3\text{Cl}$  is

[Dec 2014]

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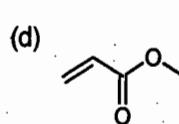
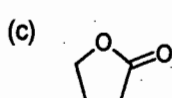
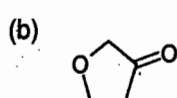
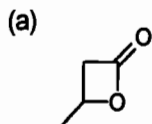
(b) 1:3:3:1

(c) 1:6:15:20:15:6:1

(d) 1:3:6:7:6:3:1

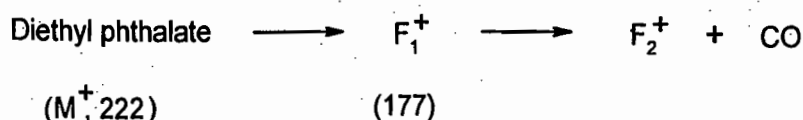
19) A compound with molecular formula  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_6\text{O}_2$  shows band at  $1770\text{ cm}^{-1}$  in IR spectrum and peaks at 178, 68, 28 and 22 ppm in  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR. The correct structure of the compound is

[Dec 2014]



20) The mass of metastable ion is produced due to decomposition of  $F_1^+$  in the following mass fragmentation sequence is

[Dec 2014]

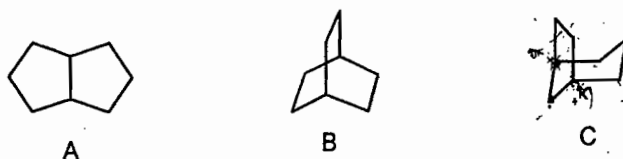


- (a) 141.2                      (b) 125.4                      (c) 45.0                      (d) 210.2

**Questions with four marks**

21) In the broad band decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum, the number of signals appearing for the bicyclooctane A-C, respectively, are

[June 2011]



- (a) Five, four and eight                      (b) Three, two and five  
 (c) Five, four and five                      (d) Three, two and eight

22) In the mass spectrum of dichlorobenzene the ratio of the peaks at  $m/z$  146, 148 and 150, is

[June 2011]

- (a) 1:1:1                      (b) 3:3:1                      (c) 1:2:1                      (d) 9:6:1

23) An organic compound ( $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2$ ) exhibited the following data in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum.

[June 2011]

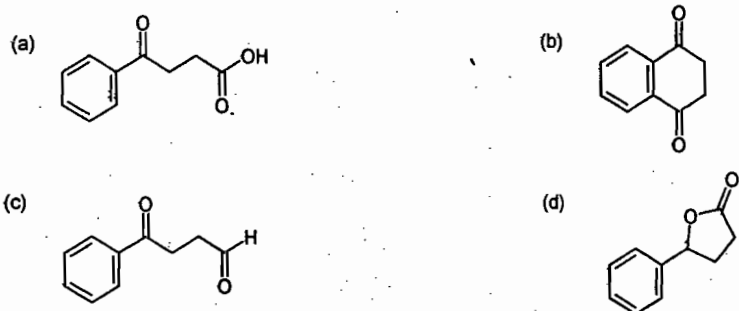
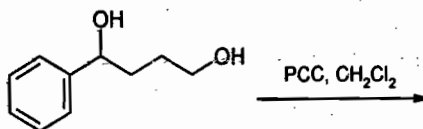
$\delta$  7.10 (1H, dt,  $J=16$  & 7.2Hz), 5.90 (1H, dt,  $J=16$  & 2Hz), 4.1 (2H, q,  $J=7.2$  Hz), 2.10 (2H,m); 1.25(3H, t,  $J=7.2$ Hz), 0.90(3H, t,  $J=7.2$ Hz) ppm.

The compound, among the choices given below, is

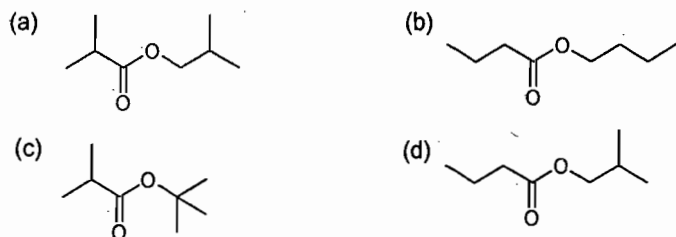


24) The major compound X formed in the following reaction exhibited a strong absorption at  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  1765  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the IR spectrum. The structure of X is

[June 2011]



i) An organic compound A ( $C_8H_{16}O_2$ ) on treatment with an excess of methyl magnesium chloride generated two alcohols B and C, whereas reaction of A with lithium aluminum hydride generated only a single alcohol C. Compound B on treatment with an acid yielded an olefin ( $C_6H_{12}$ ), which exhibited only a singlet at  $\delta 1.6$  ppm in the  $^1H$ NMR spectrum. The compound A is [June 2011]



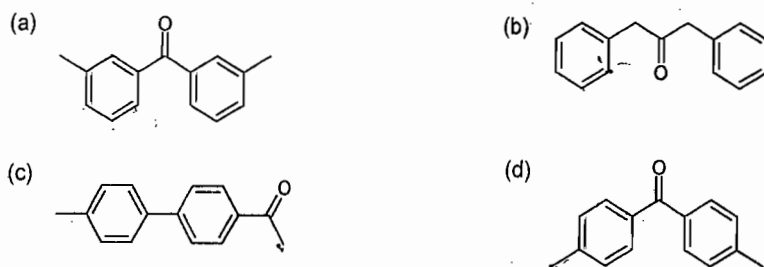
j) The NMR spectrum of  $AX_3$  exhibits lines at  $\delta = 2.1$  and  $2.3$  ppm (for X type protons) and  $\delta = 4.1, 4.3, 4.5$  and  $4.7$  ppm (for A type protons), measured from TMS with an instrument operating at 100 MHz. The chemical shift (in ppm) of A and X protons and coupling constant (in Hz) are respectively. [Dec 2011]

- (a) 4.4, 2.2 and 20      (b) 2.2, 4.4 and 10      (c) 2.2, 4.4 and 5      (d) 4.3, 2.1 and 20

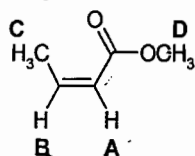
7) An organic compound having molecular formula  $C_{15}H_{14}O$  exhibited the following  $^1H$  and  $^{13}C$  NMR spectral data. [Dec 2011]

$^1H$  NMR: -  $\delta$  2.4 (s), 7.2(d, J=8 Hz), 7.7(d, J=8 Hz)

$^{13}C$  NMR: -  $\delta$  21.0, 129.0, 130.0, 136.0, 141.0, 190.0

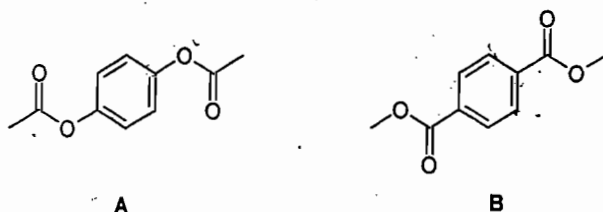


8) Appropriate  $^1H$  NMR chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) for the protons A-D for the following compound are [Dec 2011]



- (a) A-6.8; B-5.7; C-3.9; D-2.1 ppm      (b) A-6.8; B-5.7; C-2.1; D-3.9 ppm  
 (c) A-5.7; B-6.8; C-3.9; D-2.1 ppm      (d) A-5.7; B-6.8; C-2.1; D-3.9 ppm

9) Compounds A and B exhibit two singlet, each in their  $^1H$  NMR spectra. The expected chemical shifts are at  $\delta$  [June 2012]



- (a) 6.9 and 2.1 for A; 7.7 and 3.9 for B      (b) 7.7 and 3.9 for A; 6.9 and 2.1 for B  
 (c) 6.9 and 3.9 for A; 7.7 and 2.1 for B      (d) 7.7 and 2.1 for A; 6.9 and 3.9 for B

30) Match the following

[June 2012]

| Compound                 | $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR chemical shift ( $\delta$ ppm) |
|--------------------------|--|
| (A) Acetic acid          | (i) 95   |
| (B) Acetonitrile         | (ii) 115   |
| (C) Acetone              | (iii) 175  |
| (D) Carbon tetrachloride | (iv) 205   |

(a) (A)-(iii), (B)-(ii), (C)-(iv), (D)-(i)                      (b) (A)-(iii), (B)-(iv), (C)-(i), (D)-(ii)

(c) (A)-(i), (B)-(ii), (C)-(iv), (D)-(iii)                      (d) (A)-(iii), (B)-(i), (C)-(iii), (D)-(iv)

 31) 4-Hydroxybenzoic acid exhibited signals at  $\delta$  171, 162, 133, 122 and 116 ppm in its broadband decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum. The correct assignment of the signals is

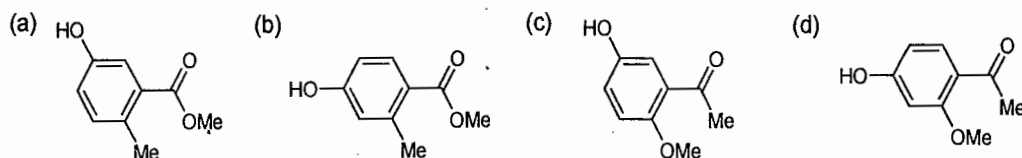
[Dec 2012]

- (a)  $\delta$  171(C-4), 162 (-COOH), 133(C-3 & 5), 122(C-1) and 116(C-2 & 6)
- (b)  $\delta$  171(-COOH), 162 (C-4), 133(C-2 & 6), 122(C-1) and 116(C-3 & 5)
- (c)  $\delta$  171(C-4), 162(-COOH), 133(C-2 & 6), 122(C-1) and 116(C-3 & 5)
- (d)  $\delta$  171(-COOH), 162 (C-4), 133(C-3 & 5), 122(C-1) and 116(C-2 & 6)

 32) An organic compound ( $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_3$ ) exhibited the following spectral data  
 IR: 3400, 1680  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;

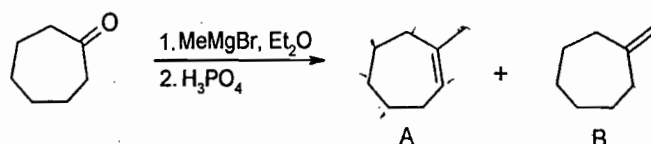
[Dec 2012]

$^1\text{H}$  NMR:  $\delta$  7.8(1H, d,  $J = 8$  Hz), 7.0 (1 H, d,  $J = 8$ Hz), 6.5 (1 H, s), 5.8 (1 H, s,  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  exchangeable), 3.9(3H,s), 2.3 (3 H, s). The compound is



33) Among the following, the correct statement for the following reaction is

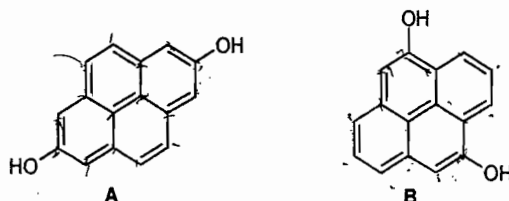
[June 2013]



- (a) A is the major product and it will have five signals in the proton decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum
- (b) A is the minor product and it will have eight signals in the proton decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum
- (c) B is the major product and it will have five signals in the proton decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum
- (d) B is the minor product and it will have five signals in the proton decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum

 34) In the broad band decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum, the number of signals appearing for the two pyrenediols A and B respectively are

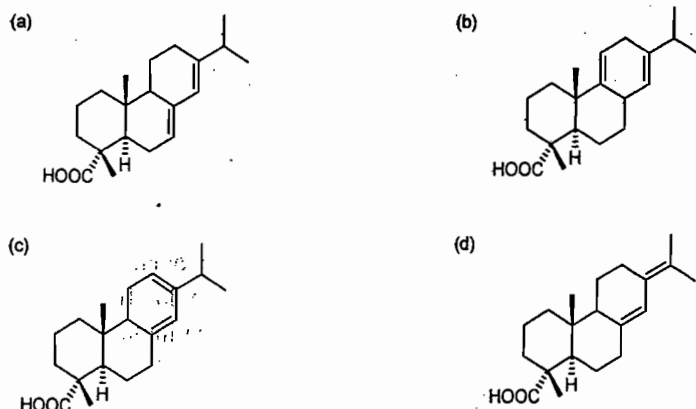
[June 2013]



- (a) eight and eight                      (b) eight and sixteen                      (c) five and ten                      (d) five and eight.

35) In the UV-Vis is spectrum, a diterpenoid exhibited a  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  at 275 nm. The compound, among the choices given below is

[June 2013]



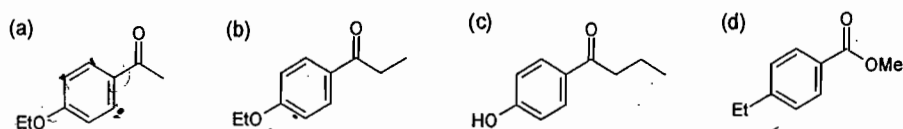
36) An organic compound exhibited the following  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectral data

[June 2013]

$\delta$  7.80 (2H, d, J 8 Hz), 6.80 (2H, d, J 8 Hz), 4.10 (2H, q, J 7.2 Hz), 2.4 (3H, s), 1.25 (3H, t, J 7.2 Hz)

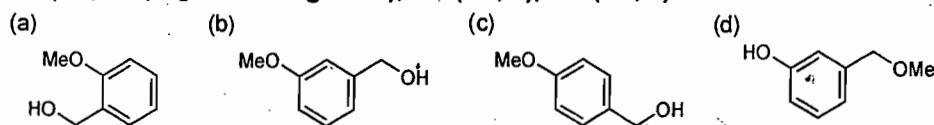
The compound, among the choices given below is,

[June 2013]



37) An organic compound ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_2$ ), which does not change the color of ferric chloride solution, exhibited the following  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectral data-  $\delta$  7.3 (1H, t, J = 8 Hz), 7.0 (1H, d, J = 8 Hz), 6.95 (1H, s), 6.9 (1H, d, J = 8 Hz), 5.3 (1H, brs,  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  exchangeable), 4.6 (2H, s), 3.9 (3H, s). Structure of the compound is

[Dec 2013]



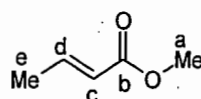
38) Methyl 4-oxopentanoate exhibited signals at  $\delta$  208, 172, 51, 37, 32 and 27 ppm in its  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum. The signals due to the methoxy, C1, C4 and C5 carbons are

[Dec 2013]

- (a) OMe -32; C1-208; C4-172; C5-51  
 (b) OMe-51; C1-208; C4-172; C5-32  
 (c) OMe-32; C1-172; C4-208; C5-51  
 (d) OMe-51; C1-172; C4-208; C5-32

39) The correct  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) values of carbons labeled a-e in the following esters are

[June 2014]



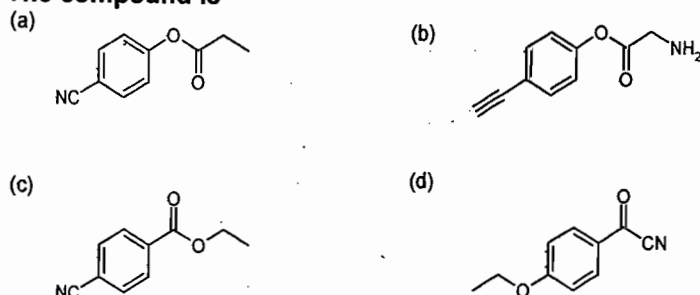
- (a) a : 19; b: 143; c: 167; d: 125; e: 52  
 (b) a : 52; b: 143; c: 167; d: 125; e: 19  
 (c) a : 52; b: 167; c: 143; d: 125; e: 19  
 (d) a : 52; b: 167; c: 125; d: 143; e: 19

40) An organic compound gives following spectral data:

IR : 2210, 1724  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR :  $\delta$  1.4 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 4.4 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.7 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H); 8.2 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR :  $\delta$  16, 62, 118, 119, 125, 126, 127, 168.

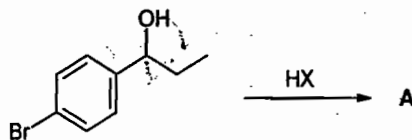
The compound is

[June 2014]



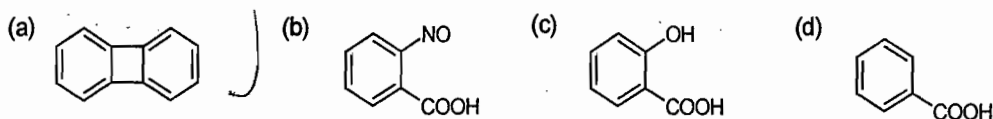


- 41) The mass spectrum of the product A, formed in the following reaction, exhibits M, M+2, M+4 peaks in the ratio of about 1:2:1. The reagent HX and the product A are [June 2014]



- (a) HX = HF and A = (b) HX = HCl and A =
- (c) HX = HBr and A = (d) HX = HBr and A =

- 42) Anthranilic acid, on treatment with iso-amyl nitrite furnishes a product which displays a strong peak at 76 (m/e) in its mass spectrum. The structure of product is [June 2014]

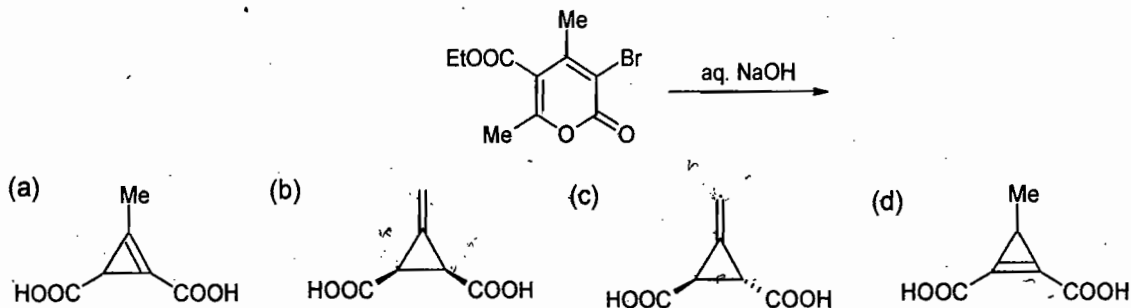


- 43) The following reaction gives a product (racemic) which exhibits the following NMR data: [Dec 2014]

$^1\text{H NMR}$ :  $\delta$  2.67 (2H, s), 5.60(2H,s) ppm

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ :  $\delta$  170.3, 129.0, 105.0, 25.4 ppm

The structure of the product (racemic) is

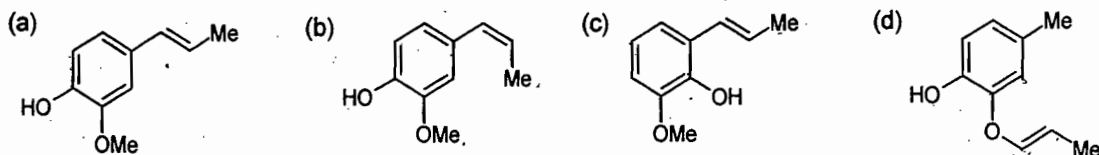


- 44) An organic compound having molecular formula  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2$  exhibits the following spectral data :  
IR : 3400 (br), 1600  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

$^1\text{H NMR}$  :  $\delta$  1.85 (3H, d, J=6Hz), 3.8 (3H, s), 5.0 (1H,s,D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 6.0 (1H, dq, J=18, 6Hz), 6.28 (1H,d, J=18 Hz), 6.75(1H,d, J=8Hz), 6.8 (1H,s), 6.90 (1H, d, J=8Hz) ppm

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$  :  $\delta$  146.5, 144.0, 131.0, 130.5, 123.0, 119.0, 114.0, 108.0, 55.0, 18.0 ppm

The structure of the compound is [Dec 2014]



**(Questions from GATE EXAM)****Questions with ONE OR TWO marks**

15)  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of [18]-annulene shows (GATE 2005)

- (a) only one peak at  $\delta$  7.2 (18H) (b) only one peak at  $\delta$  5.0 (18H)  
 (c) two peaks at  $\delta$  9.0 (12H) and  $\delta$  -3.0 (6H) (d) two peaks at  $\delta$  9.0 (6H) and  $\delta$  -3.0 (12H)

16) Resonant frequencies for EPR and NMR are respectively in the spectral region (GATE 2005)

- (a) microwave and far-IR (b) far-IR and microwave  
 (c) radiofrequency and microwave (d) microwave and radiofrequency

17) Match the following items of column I with the appropriate items in column II (GATE 2005)

| Column I          | column II  |
|-------------------|--|
| Compounds         | carbonyl stretching frequency ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) |
| P) Cyclohexanone  | I 1910   |
| Q) Cyclopentanone | II 1715  |
| R) Cyclobutanone  | III 1813   |
| S) Cyclopropanone | IV 1650  |
|                   | V 1780   |
|                   | VI 1745  |

- (a) P-I, Q-II, R-III, S-IV (b) P-II, Q-VI, R-V, S-III (c) P-VI, Q-V, R-IV, S-III (d) P-I, Q-V, R-IV, S-III

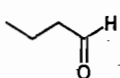
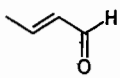
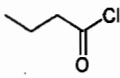
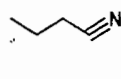
18) Which of the following absorption is shown by 1,3 butadiene in its UV absorption spectrum recorded in *n*-hexane ( $\epsilon_{\text{max}}$  is the molar absorptivity) (GATE 2006)

- (a)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  217 nm ( $\epsilon_{\text{max}}$  = 21,000) (b)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  214 nm ( $\epsilon_{\text{max}}$  = 210)  
 (c)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  253 nm ( $\epsilon_{\text{max}}$  = 50,000) (d)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  250 nm ( $\epsilon_{\text{max}}$  = 500)

19) Which of the following compounds is expected to show a sharp singlet for one of its protons at  $\delta \geq 8$  ppm in  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum, given that this signal remain unaffected on shaking the solution thoroughly with  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ? (GATE 2006)

- (a)  $\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$  (b)  $\text{CH}_3\text{CONHC}_6\text{H}_5$  (c)  $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{13}\text{C}\equiv\text{CH}$  (d)  $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{13}\text{CHO}$

20) Match the compounds in List -I with the stretching frequencies ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) of principal functional group given in List-II (GATE 2006)

| List- I  | List- II  |
|--|-----------|
| A)  | i) 2240   |
| B)  | ii) 1795  |
| C)  | iii) 1750 |
| D)  | iv) 1725  |
|  | v) 1695   |

- (a) (A-iii), (B-iv), (C-i), (D-v)  
 (c) (A-iv), (B-v), (C-ii), (D-i)

- (b) (A-iii), (B-iv), (C-ii), (D-i)  
 (d) (A-iv), (B-iii), (C-v), (D-i)

51) Match the observed principal absorptions in the visible spectrum shown in List I with the bond that shows this absorption in List II

(GATE 2007)

**List I**

- (A)  $\sigma \rightarrow \sigma^*$   
 (B)  $n \rightarrow \sigma^*$   
 (C)  $n, \pi^*$   
 (D)  $\pi, \pi^*$

**List II**

- (i) C-C  
 (ii) C-O  
 (iii) C=O  
 (iv) C=C

(a) (A-i) (B-ii) (C-iii) (D-iv)

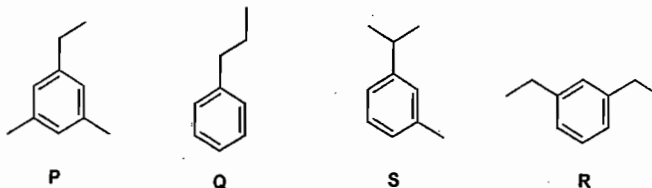
(b) (A-i) (B-iii) (C-ii) (D-iv)

(c) (A-ii) (B-i) (C-iv) (D-iii)

(d) (A-iv) (B-ii) (C-iii) (D-i)

52) Among the isomers of  $C_{10}H_{14}$  shown, the isomer that can be identified uniquely by mass spectrometry alone is

(GATE 2007)



(a) P

(b) Q

(c) R

(d) S

53) Match the structures in List I with the coupling constant [ $^1H J$  (Hz)] given in List II

(GATE 2007)



(a) A-i, B-ii, C-iii

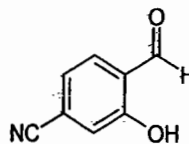
(b) A-ii, B-iii, C-i

(c) A-iii, B-ii, C-i

(d) A-iii, B-i, C-ii

54) The IR stretching frequencies ( $cm^{-1}$ ) for the compound X are as follows: 3300-3500 (s, br); 3000(m); 2225 (s); 1680 (s).

(GATE 2008)



X

The correct assignment of the absorption bands is

(a)  $\bar{\nu}_{(OH)} = 3300-3500$ ;  $\bar{\nu}_{(CH)} = 3000$ ;  $\bar{\nu}_{(CN)} = 2225$ ;  $\bar{\nu}_{(CO)} = 1680$

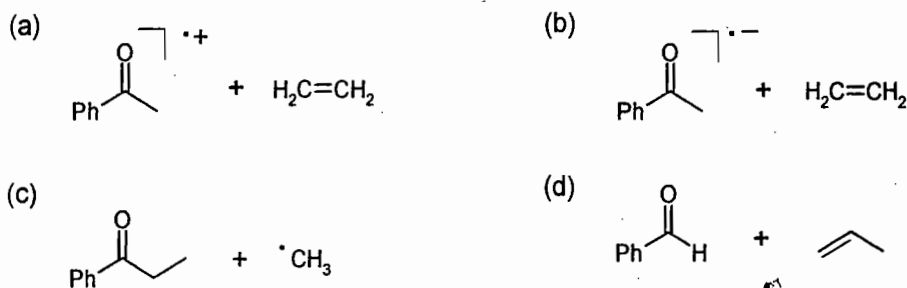
(b)  $\bar{\nu}_{(OH)} = 3000$ ;  $\bar{\nu}_{(CH)} = 3300-3500$ ;  $\bar{\nu}_{(CN)} = 2225$ ;  $\bar{\nu}_{(CO)} = 2225$

(c)  $\bar{\nu}_{(OH)} = 3300-3500$ ;  $\bar{\nu}_{(CH)} = 3000$ ;  $\bar{\nu}_{(CN)} = 1680$ ;  $\bar{\nu}_{(CO)} = 2225$

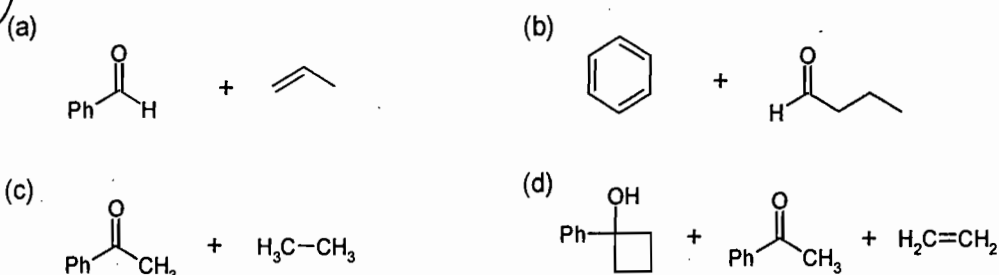
(d)  $\bar{\nu}_{(OH)} = 3000$ ;  $\bar{\nu}_{(CH)} = 3300-3500$ ;  $\bar{\nu}_{(CN)} = 1680$ ;  $\bar{\nu}_{(CO)} = 1680$

**Linked answer question 55 & 56**For butyrophenone ( $\text{PhCOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), In the reaction,

55) The most probable fragmentation observed in the electron impact ionization (EI) mass spectrometry is (GATE 2008)



56) Photoirradiation leads to the following set of products.

57) The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of HD consists of a

[GATE 2009]

- (a) singlet      (b) 1:1 doublet      (c) 1:1:1 triplet      (d) 1:2:1 triplet

58) The number of signals that appear in the broad-band decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of *ortho*-, *meta*- and *para*-dichlorobenzenes, respectively, are

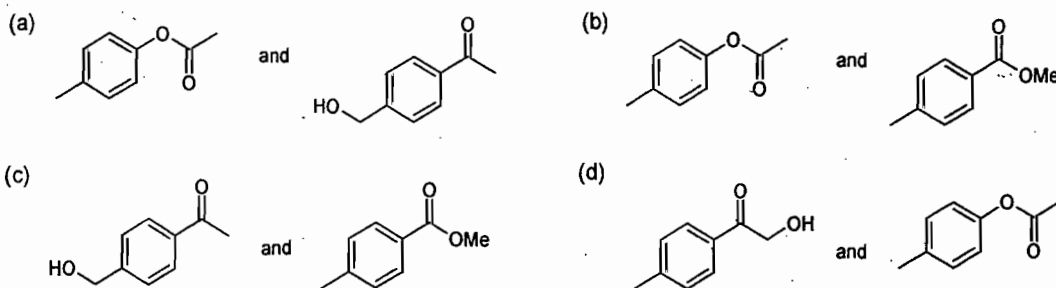
[GATE 2009]

- (a) 3, 4 and 2      (b) 3, 3 and 2      (c) 4, 4 and 2      (d) 3, 4 and 4

**Linked answer question 59 & 60**An organic compound X ( $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{10}\text{O}$ ) exhibited the following spectral data.IR:  $1680\text{ cm}^{-1}$  $^1\text{H}$  NMR:  $\delta$  7.8 (2 H, d,  $J$  7.5 Hz), 7.2 (2 H, d,  $J$  7.5 Hz), 2.7 (3 H, s) and 2.4 (3 H, s).Compound X on treatment with *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid produced two isomeric compounds Y (major) and Z (minor).

[GATE 2009]

59) Compounds Y and Z, respectively, are



60) Compounds Y and Z can be differentiated by carrying out basic hydrolysis, because

- (a) Y produces 4-methylphenol and Z is unaffected
- (b) Y produces 4-methylphenol and Z produces 4-methylbenzoic acid
- (c) Y is unaffected and Z produces 4-methylbenzoic acid
- (d) Y is unaffected and Z produces 4-methylphenol

**Linked answer question 61 & 62**

An organic compound [X] ( $C_{12}H_{16}O_3$ ) exhibit the following spectral data

[GATE 2010]

IR:  $-1720\text{cm}^{-1}$

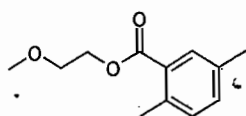
$^1\text{H NMR}$ : - 2.35 (s, 6H), 3.30(s, 3H), 3.83(t, 2H), 4.42 (t, 2H), 7.07(s, 1H), 7.58(s, 2H)

The compound [X] with an excess of  $\text{MeMgBr}$  gives a 1:1 mixture of [Y] and [Z] compounds.

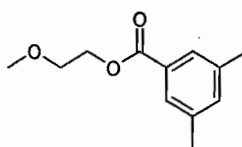
The compound [Z] exhibit the following  $^1\text{H NMR}$  data:- 2.0 (bs, 1H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 3.56 (t, 2H), 3.70 (t, 2H),

61) The compound [X] is

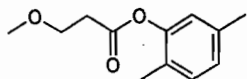
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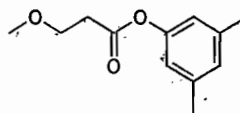
(b) X =



(c) X =

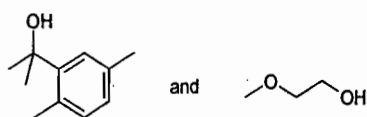


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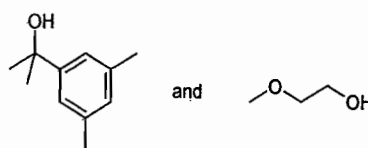


62) The compound [Y] is

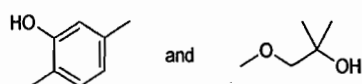
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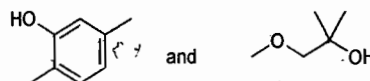
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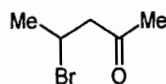


**Linked answer question 63 & 64**

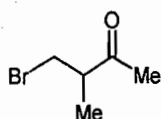
A ketone on treatment with bromine in methanol gives the corresponding monobromo compound [X] having molecular formula  $C_5H_9BrO$ . The compound [X] when treated with  $\text{NaOMe}$  in  $\text{MeOH}$  produces [Y] as the major product. The spectral data for compound [X] are:  $^1\text{H NMR}$ :  $\delta$  1.17 (d, 6H), 3.02 (m, 1H), 4.10 (s, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ :  $\delta$  17,37, 39,210. (GATE 2011)

63) The compound [X] is

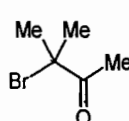
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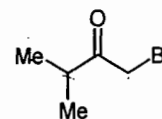
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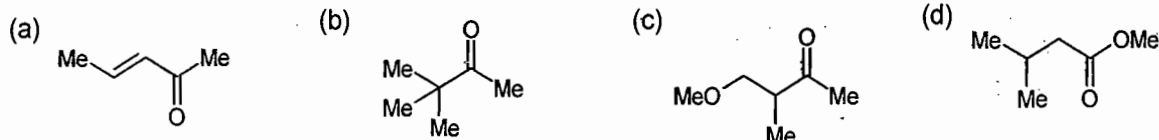
(c)



(d)



64) The compound [Y] is



65) In the proton decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of 7-norbornanone, the number of signals obtained is

[GATE 2012]

- (a) 7 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5

66) The ratio of relative intensities of the two molecular ion peaks of methyl bromide ( $\text{CH}_3\text{Br}$ ) in the mass spectrum is

[GATE 2012]

- (a)  $M^+ : (M+2)^+ = 1:3$  (b)  $M^+ : (M+2)^+ = 3:1$  (c)  $M^+ : (M+2)^+ = 1:1$  (d)  $M^+ : (M+2)^+ = 1:2$

67) The bond that gives the most intense band in the infrared spectrum for its stretching vibration is

[GATE 2012]

- (a) C-H (b) N-H (c) O-H (d) S-H

68) The number of signals that appear in the proton decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of benzonitrile ( $\text{C}_7\text{H}_5\text{N}$ ) is

[GATE 2013]

- (a) Four (b) Five (c) Six (d) Seven

69) Among the compounds given in the options A-D, the one that exhibits a sharp band at around  $3300\text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the IR spectrum is

[GATE 2013]

- (a) 1,2-butadiene (b) 1,3-butadiene (c) 1-butyne (d) 2-butyne

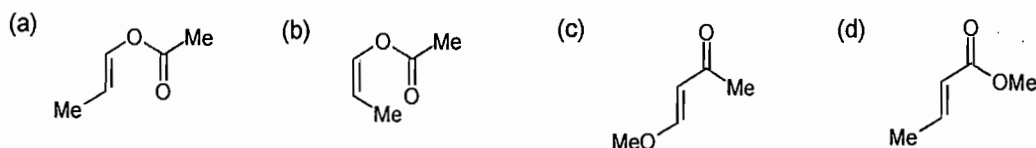
70) An organic compound Q exhibited the following spectral data:

[GATE 2013]

IR:  $1760\text{ cm}^{-1}$

$^1\text{H}$  NMR:  $\delta$  (ppm): 7.2 (1H, d,  $J = 16.0\text{ Hz}$ ), 5.1 (1 H, m), 2.1 (3 H, s), 1.8 (3H, d,  $J = 7.0\text{ Hz}$ )

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR:  $\delta$  (ppm): 170 (carbonyl carbon). Compound Q is



Linked answer question 71 & 72

*N,N*-Dimethylformamide (DMF) gives different patterns of signals for the methyl protons when its  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum is recorded at different temperatures.

[GATE 2013]

71) Match the patterns of the NMR signals given in column I with temperatures given in the column II.

Column I

column II

(i) Two singlets, for three protons each, at  $\delta$  2.87 and 2.97 ppm

(x)  $25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

(ii) One sharp singlet for six protons at  $\delta$  2.92 ppm

(y)  $120\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

(iii) One broad signal for six protons

(z)  $150\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

(a) (i)-(x); (ii)-(y); (iii)-(z)

(b) (i)-(x); (ii)-(z); (iii)-(y)

(c) (i)-(z); (ii)-(x); (iii)-(y)

(d) (i)-(z); (ii)-(y); (iii)-(x)

72) Based on the above data, the calculated difference in the frequencies of the two methyl singlets, if the spectrum is recorded on a 300 MHz spectrometer, is

- (a) 30 (b) 60 (c) 90 (d) 120

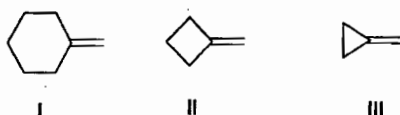
73) At room temperature, the number of singlet resonances observed in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{Me}_3\text{CC(O)NMe}_2$  (N,N-dimethyl pivalamide) is

[GATE 2014]

- (a) Two (b) Three (c) Four (d) Five

74) The correct order of IR stretching frequency of the C=C in the following olefins is

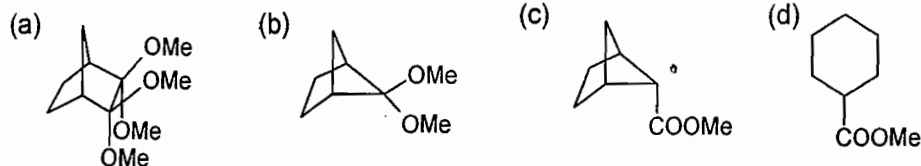
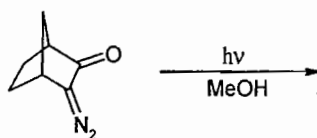
[GATE 2014]



- (a) I > II > III (b) II > III > I (c) III > II > I (d) III > I > II

75) The product of the following reaction gave 6 line  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum with peaks at  $\delta$  175, 52, 50, 46, 37, 33 ppm. The structure of the product is

[GATE 2014]



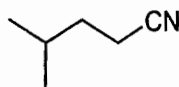
76) The set of protons (underlined) in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_3$  that would exhibit different splitting patterns in high (500 MHz) and low (60 MHz) field  $^1\text{H}$  NMR, is

[GATE 2014]

- (a) CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub> (b) CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub> (c) CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub> (d) CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub>

77) The  $m/z$  value of the detectable fragment formed by McLafferty like rearrangement of the following compound in mass spectrometer is

[GATE 2014]

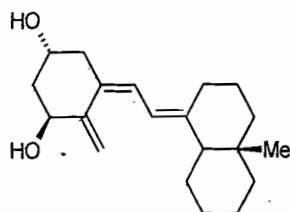


- (a) 31 (b) 39 (c) 41 (d) 43

78) Given the fact that 1,3-butadiene has a UV absorption of 217 nm, the absorption wavelength (in nm) for the conjugated system shown below is

(Use these absorption values for auxochromic groups: alkyl: +5; exo-cyclic double bond: +5; every additional conjugated C=C: +30)

[GATE 2014]



- (a) 278 (b) 282 (c) 288 (d) 293

←————— Answer Key —————→

**Topic :-17: Organic spectroscopy**

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| 1  | d | 2  | b | 3  | b | 4  | b | 5  | b | 6  | c | 7  | c | 8  | d | 9  | d | 10 | a |
| 11 | d | 12 | a | 13 | b | 14 | a | 15 | d | 16 | a | 17 | a | 18 | d | 19 | c | 20 | b |
| 21 | b | 22 | d | 23 | a | 24 | d | 25 | a | 26 | a | 27 | d | 28 | d | 29 | a | 30 | a |
| 31 | b | 32 | d | 33 | d | 34 | c | 35 | c | 36 | a | 37 | b | 38 | d | 39 | d | 40 | c |
| 41 | c | 42 | a | 43 | c | 44 | a | 45 | c | 46 | d | 47 | b | 48 | a | 49 | d | 50 | b |
| 51 | a | 52 | b | 53 | b | 54 | a | 55 | a | 56 | d | 57 | c | 58 | a | 59 | b | 60 | b |
| 61 | b | 62 | b | 63 | d | 64 | d | 65 | b | 66 | c | 67 | c | 68 | b | 69 | c | 70 | a |
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**Hint & solution**

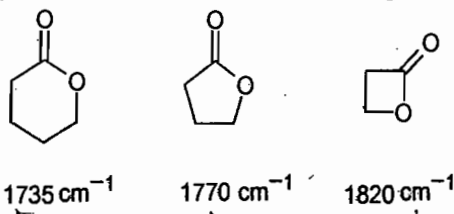
1) **Ans (d):-** The order of carbonyl stretching frequency in the IR spectra of ketone, amide and anhydride is Anhydride > ketone > amide

The general order of carbonyl stretching frequency in the IR spectra:-  
acid chlorides > anhydrides > ester > aldehydes > ketones > carboxylic acids > amides

2) **Ans (b):-** The largest alkyl group is most readily lost in tertiary alcohol;  
Therefore the order of  $\alpha$ -cleavage is:  $C_3H_7 > Et > Me$ .

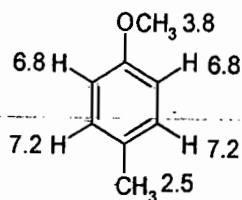
3) **Ans (b):-** The absorption at  $\lambda_{max}$  279 nm ( $\epsilon = 15$ ) in the UV spectrum of acetone is due to  $n-\pi^*$  transition.

4) **Ans (b):-** In the IR spectrum, carbonyl absorption band for the following compound appears at  $1770\text{cm}^{-1}$

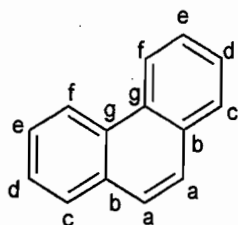


5) **Ans (b):-** In the mass spectrum of dodecahedrane  $C_{20}H_{20}$ , approximate ratio of the peaks at  $m/z$  260 and 261 is 5:1

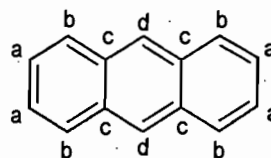
6) **Ans (c):-** The given  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectral data match with 4-methylanisole



7) **Ans (c):-**



7 signals



4 signals



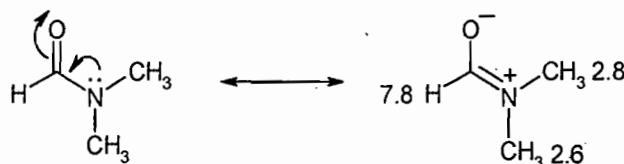
8) **Ans (d)**:- The coupling constant (J) value for a doublet =  
 (Difference between the frequency of the two peaks) × (frequency of NMR machine )  
 = (2.38-2.35)400 = 0.03 × 400 = 12Hz

9) **Ans (d)**:- <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of HD would show a triplet with intensity ratio 1:1:1. In case of D the value of I = 1  
 ∴ No. of signals = [(2n<sub>a</sub>I<sub>a</sub>+1)], where n is equivalent nuclei & I is a Nuclear spin.  
 ∴ No. of signals = [2(1)(1) + 1] = 3.

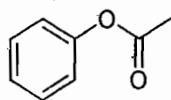
When I = ½ the relative intensity ratio is according to Pascal's triangle but when I = 1 the relative intensity ratio is given as

| n | 2nI+1 | relative intensity ratio when I = 1 |
|---|-------|-------------------------------------|
| 0 | 1     | 1                                   |
| 1 | 3     | 1:1:1                               |
| 2 | 5     | 1:2:3:2:1                           |
| 3 | 7     | 1:3:6:7:6:3:1                       |
| 4 | 9     | 1:4:10:16:19:16:10:4:1              |
| 5 | 11    | 1:5:15:30:45:51:45:30:15:5:1        |

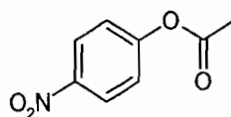
10) **Ans (a)**:-At room temperature DMF has a partial double bond character due to the delocalization & therefore it gives singlet for each methyl group(one Me group is syn to oxygen & another is anti to oxygen)



11) **Ans (d)**:- In the IR spectrum, the absorption band due to carbonyl group in phenyl acetate appears at 1760 cm<sup>-1</sup> & in p-nitrophenyl acetate due to electron withdrawing effect of NO<sub>2</sub> group carbonyl frequency is shifted to a higher frequency & therefore among the given option it match with 1760 cm<sup>-1</sup>



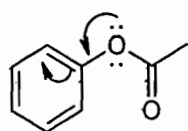
phenyl acetate



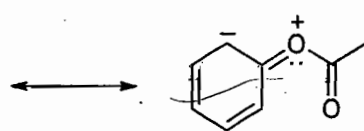
p-nitrophenyl acetate

12) **Ans (a)**:- In NMR spectroscopy, the product of the nuclear 'g' factor (g<sub>N</sub>), the nuclear magneton β<sub>N</sub> and the magnetic field strength (B<sub>0</sub>) gives the energy of transition from α to β state

13) **Ans (b)**:- In the IR spectrum, the absorption band due to carbonyl group in phenyl acetate appears at 1760 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Normal ester frequency of carbonyl group appears in the range from 1750 to 1735 cm<sup>-1</sup> but in case of phenyl acetate due to the conjugation involving the single bonded oxygen with phenyl group shift of carbonyl frequency to a higher frequency that is at 1760 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



phenyl acetate



phenyl acetate

14) Ans (a):- Given:- An AX system gave 4 lines at  $\delta_1 = 4.72$ ,  $\delta_2 = 4.6$ ,  $\delta_3 = 1.12$  and  $\delta_4 = 1.0$

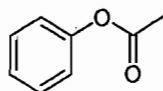
The coupling constant (J) value for a AX system =

[Difference between the frequency of the ( $\delta_1 - \delta_2$ ) OR ( $\delta_3 - \delta_4$ )]  $\times$  (frequency of NMR machine)

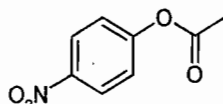
$$= (4.72 - 4.6)100 = 0.12 \times 100 = 12\text{Hz}$$

$$\text{Now } \delta_{AX} = (\delta_A - \delta_X) = \sqrt{(\delta_1 - \delta_4)(\delta_2 - \delta_3)} = \sqrt{(4.72 - 1.0)(4.6 - 1.12)} = \sqrt{12.95} = 3.6 \text{ ppm}$$

15) Ans (d):- In the IR spectrum, the absorption band due to carbonyl group in phenyl acetate appears at  $1760 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  & in p-nitrophenyl acetate due to electron withdrawing effect of  $\text{NO}_2$  group carbonyl frequency is shifted to a higher frequency & therefore it appear at  $1770 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

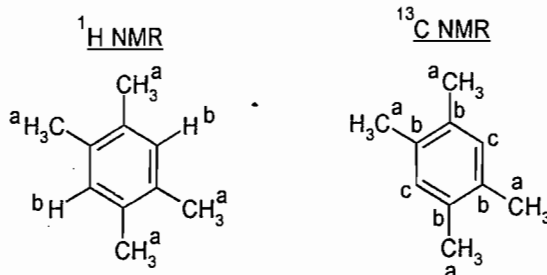


phenyl acetate

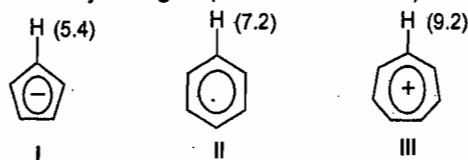


p-nitrophenyl acetate

16) Ans (a):- The compound (a) in a option exhibit two singlets in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum and three signals in the  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum.



17) Ans (a):- The chemical shifts of protons on negatively charged (electron rich) carbon resonate at upfield (shielded) while that of protons on positively charged (electron deficient) carbon resonate at downfield (deshielded)



18) Ans (d):-  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{CD}_3\text{Cl}$  would show a septet with intensity ratio 1:3:6:7:6:3:1

In case of D the value of  $I = 1$

$\therefore$  No. of signals =  $[(2n_a I_a + 1)]$ , where  $n$  is equivalent nuclei &  $I$  is a Nuclear spin.

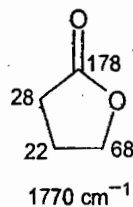
$\therefore$  No. of signals =  $[2(3)(1) + 1] = 7$ .

When  $I = \frac{1}{2}$  the relative intensity ratio is according to Pascal's triangle but when  $I = 1$  the relative intensity ratio is given as

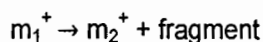
| $n$ | $2nI+1$ | relative intensity ratio when $I = 1$ |
|-----|---------|---------------------------------------|
| 0   | 1       | 1                                     |
| 1   | 3       | 1:1:1                                 |
| 2   | 5       | 1:2:3:2:1                             |
| 3   | 7       | 1:3:6:7:6:3:1                         |
| 4   | 9       | 1:4:10:16:19:16:10:4:1                |
| 5   | 11      | 1:5:15:30:45:51:45:30:15:5:1          |

$\therefore$  The ratio of relative intensities of the carbon signals in the first order  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{CD}_3\text{Cl}$  is 1:3:6:7:6:3:1

19) Ans (c):- In the IR spectrum, carbonyl absorption band for the  $\gamma$ -lactone appears at  $1770\text{cm}^{-1}$



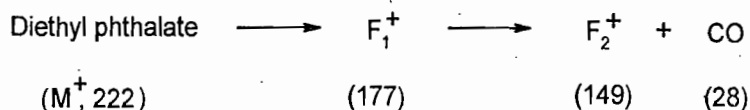
20) Ans (b):- The metastable ion appears at an  $m/e$  ratio that depends on its mass as well as the mass of original ion from which it formed in the mass spectrum. The metastable ion peaks are usually a broad peak. The apparent mass of the metastable ion ( $m^*$ ) is given by:-



$$m^* = \frac{(m_2)^2}{m_1}$$

Where  $m_1$  is the mass of original ion from which the fragment formed &  $m_2$  is the mass of the new fragment ion

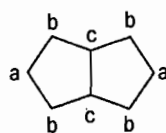
Thus the mass of metastable ion is produced due to decomposition of  $F_1^+$  in the following mass fragmentation sequence is calculated as:-



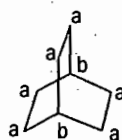
$$m^* = \frac{(m_2)^2}{m_1} = \frac{(149)^2}{177} = 125.4$$

21) Ans (b):-

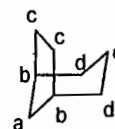
<sup>13</sup>C NMR



A  
3 signals



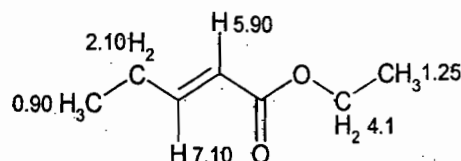
B  
2 signals



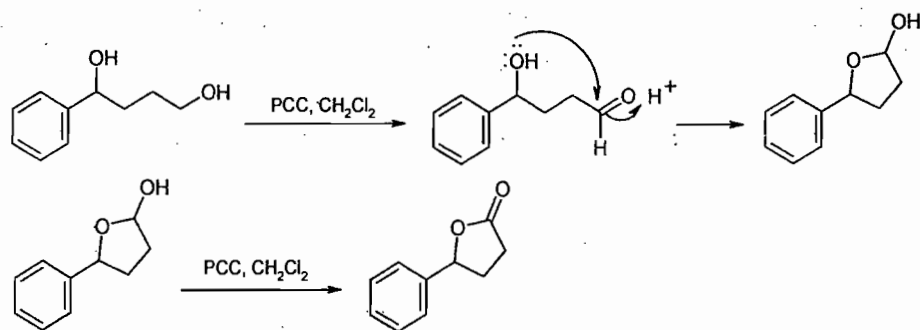
C  
5 signals

22) Ans (d):- A compound that contains two chlorine atoms will always have three ion peaks namely molecular ion peak (M); M+2 & M+4 with 9:6:1 intensity because of <sup>37</sup>Cl isotope along with <sup>35</sup>Cl.

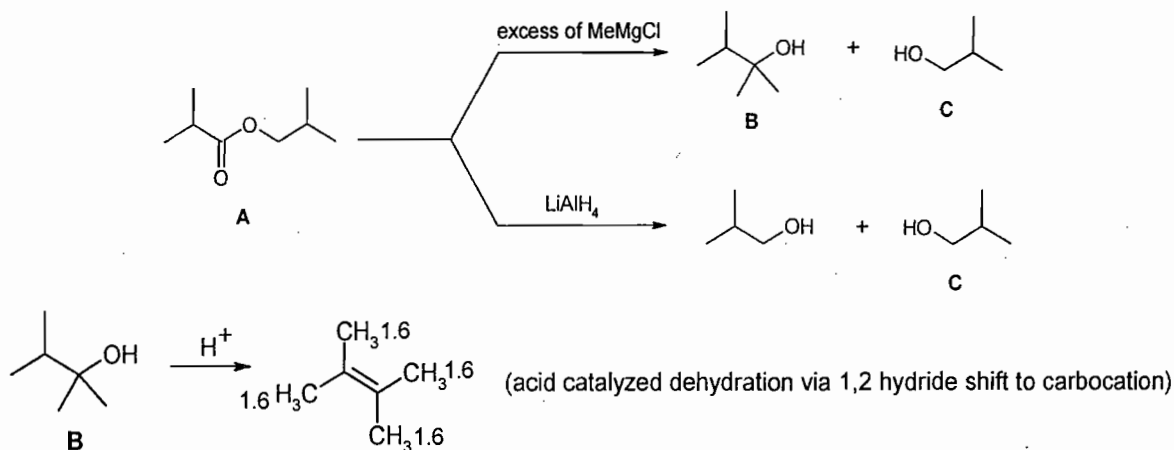
23) Ans (a):- Hint:- Protons substituted trans on double bond couple most strongly with typical value for <sup>3</sup>J of about 16 Hz. Protons substituted cis on double bond couple about 8 Hz; so option (b) & (d) are not possible & therefore the compound, of the choice is:-



24) Ans (d):- A strong absorption at  $\nu_{\text{max}} 1765\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the IR spectrum also suggests the formation of  $\gamma$ -lactone. In first step oxidation of a primary alcohol can be easily stopped at the aldehyde by pyridinium chlorochromate  $\text{pyH}^+\text{CrO}_3\text{Cl}^-$  (PCC) & no further oxidation takes place. Secondary alcohols are oxidized to corresponding ketones with PCC. The PCC is somewhat acidic and acid-catalyzed rearrangements have been observed.



25) Ans (a):- The compound A is



26) Ans (a):- The chemical shift (in ppm) of A protons = Average of the outer lines =  $\frac{(4.1+4.7)}{2} = \frac{8.8}{2} = 4.4$

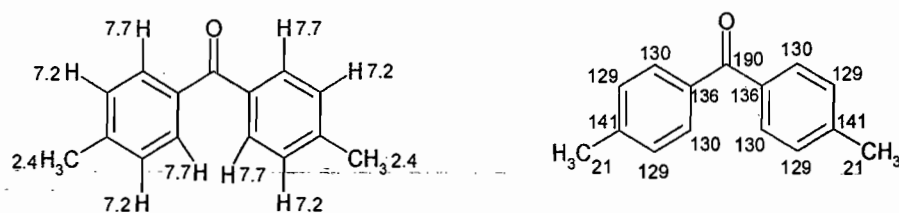
The chemical shift (in ppm) of X protons = Average of the outer lines =  $\frac{(2.1+2.3)}{2} = \frac{4.4}{2} = 2.2$

The coupling constant (in Hz) =

(Difference between the frequency of the two adjacent peaks)  $\times$  (frequency of NMR machine)

=  $(2.3-2.1)100 = 0.2 \times 100 = 20\text{Hz}$  or  $(4.3-4.1)100 = 0.2 \times 100 = 20\text{Hz}$

27) Ans (d):- The compound that match with given spectral data is:-



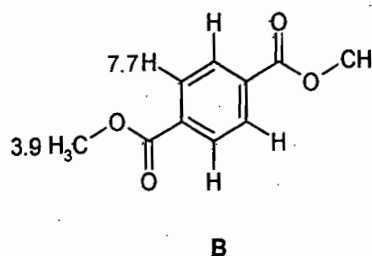
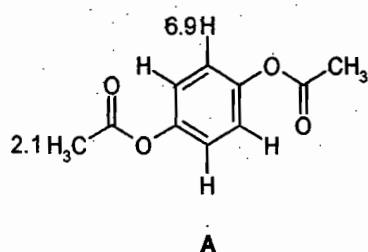
28) Ans (d):- Appropriate  $^1\text{H}$  NMR chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) for the protons A-D :- A- 5.7; B - 6.8; C-2.1; D -3.9 ppm.

C type of proton of methyl group attached to  $\text{sp}^2$  carbon & therefore appears at  $\delta$  2.1ppm

D type of proton of methyl group of methyl ester appears at  $\delta$ 3.9 ppm.

Among A & B; B type of proton are more deshielded due to conjugation making it electron deficient than A type of proton; therefore A & B appears at  $\delta$  5.7 & 6.8 ppm respectively

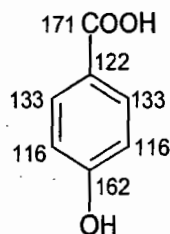
29) Ans (a):- Hint:- The ring protons are more shielded in (A) due to electron donating substituent & therefore resonate at upfield (6.9) compare to the benzene proton(7.27 ppm) ; while the ring protons are more deshielded in (B) due to electron withdrawing substituent & therefore resonate at downfield (7.7) compare to the benzene proton(7.27 ppm). In  $^1\text{H}$  NMR the chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) for methyl proton of methyl ester always resonate at 3.5 to 4.8 ppm &  $\alpha$ -hydrogen in the ketone always resonate at 2.1 to 2.4 ppm.



30) Ans (a):- The correct match is:-

| Compound             | <sup>13</sup> C NMR chemical shift (δ ppm) |
|----------------------|--|
| Acetic acid          | 175  |
| Acetonitrile         | 115  |
| Acetone              | 205  |
| Carbon tetrachloride | 95   |

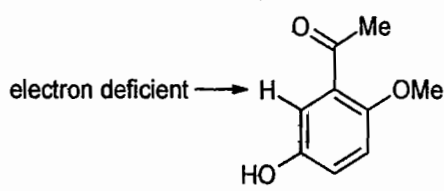
31) Ans (b):- 4-Hydroxybenzoic acid exhibited signals at δ 171(-COOH), 162 (C-4), 133(C-2 & 6), 122(C-1) and 116(C-3 & 5) in its broadband decoupled <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum.



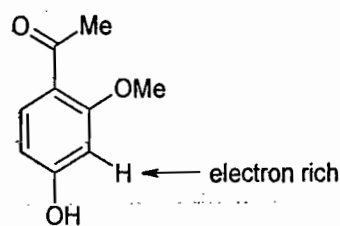
32) Ans (d):- The IR value  $1680\text{cm}^{-1}$  is of aryl ketone & match with (c) & (d) in option.

Now in <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 6.5 (1 H, s) without coupling constant resonate at upfield (6.5) compare to the benzene proton (7.27 ppm) indicate that it is electron rich due to electron donating substituent.

Therefore the value at δ 6.5 (1 H, s) match with compound (d) in option

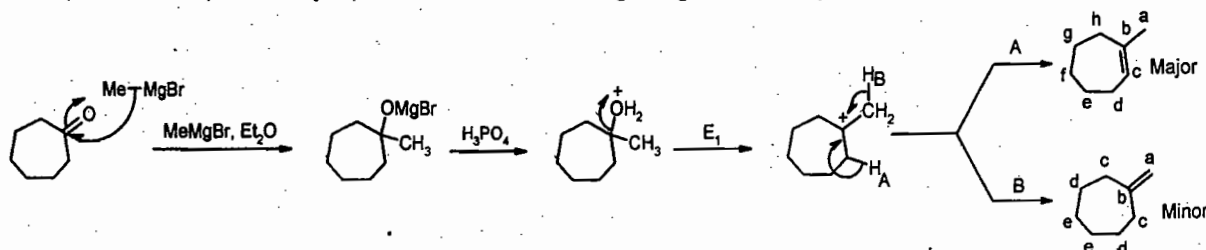


(c)

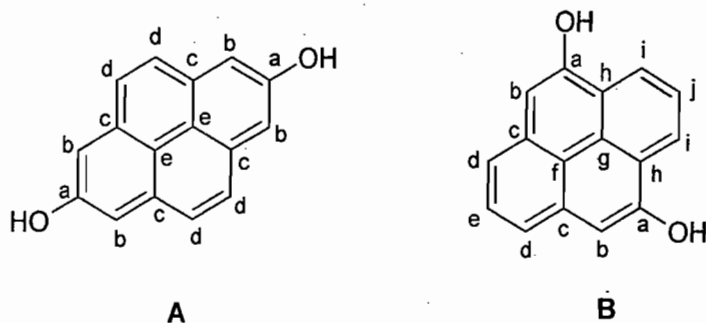


(d)

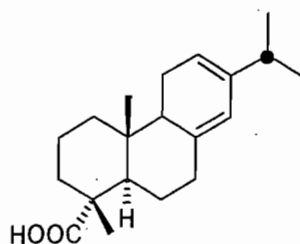
33) Ans (d):- In first step is the Grignard reagent adds to ketones to give tertiary alcohols. Tertiary alcohol readily undergoes dehydration with dehydrating agent like  $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$  or  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  via  $\text{E}_1$  elimination to give More substituted alkenes (more stable) as a major product & it will have eight signals in the proton decoupled <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum



34) Ans (c):- In the broad band decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum, the number of signals appearing for the two pyrenediols A and B are five and ten respectively

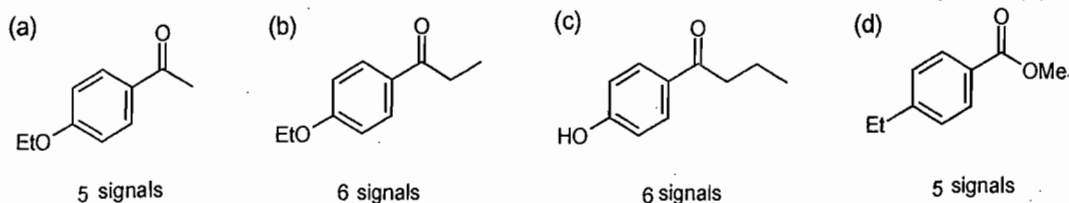


35) Ans (c):-

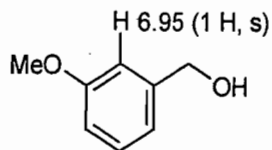


|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Cis 1,3-butadiene:         | 253 nm   |
| three ring residue         | 15       |
| one alkyl substituent:     | 5        |
| one exocyclic double bond: | <u>5</u> |
|                            | 278 nm   |

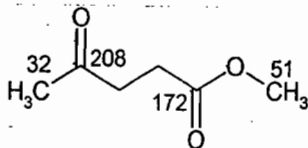
36) Ans (a):- Among the option 5 signals are possible only in the (a) & (d) compound. But singlet at  $\delta$  2.4 (3H, s), is characteristic of methyl proton of aryl methyl ketone therefore the spectral data is of compound (a) in option



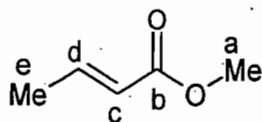
37) Ans (b):- Among the given option (c) is not possible because exhibit the five signal in  $^1\text{H}$  NMR & option (d) a phenol which changes the colour of  $\text{FeCl}_3$  solution so it is also not possible. The value in  $^1\text{H}$  NMR at  $\delta$  6.95 (1H, s), is a without coupling constant indicates 1,3 disubstituted benzene that is option (b).



38) Ans (d):- Methyl 4-oxopentanoate exhibit the signals at  $\delta$  OMe-51; C1-172, C4-208; C5-32 in its  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum.

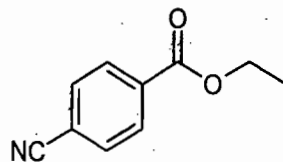


39) Ans (d):-  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) value for 'd' carbon appear at 143 ppm due to positive charge developed during conjugation.



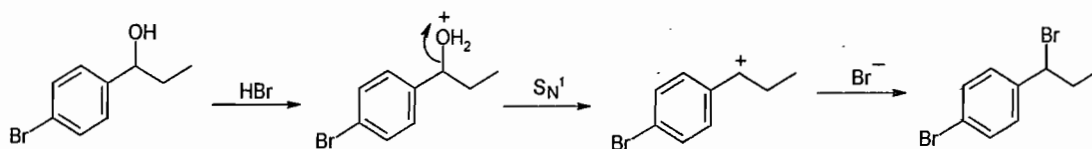
a :52; b :167; c :125; d : 143; e :19

40) Ans (c):- Hint:- The IR stretching frequency at  $1724\text{ cm}^{-1}$  strongly indicate  $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$  due to the  $\alpha$ - $\beta$  or aryl conjugation.



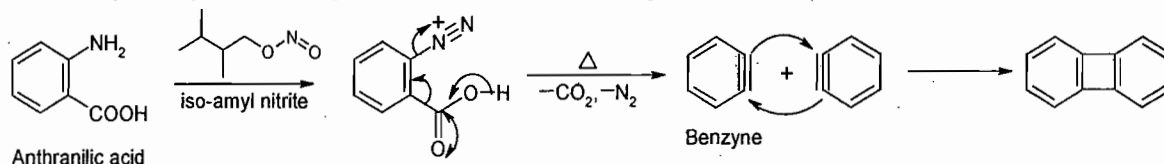
$\nu_{\text{C=O}} \quad 1725\text{ cm}^{-1}$   
 $\alpha, \beta$  or aryl conjugation

41) Ans (c):- A compound that contain two bromine atom will always have three ion peak namely molecular ion peak (M); M+2 & M+4 with 1:2:1 intensity because of  $^{81}\text{Br}$  isotope along with  $^{79}\text{Br}$ .



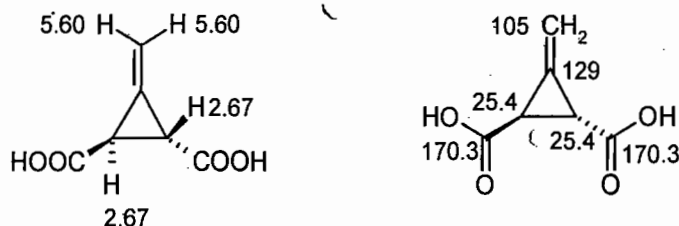
42) Ans (a):- In first step primary amine is converted into a diazonium salt by treatment with iso-amyl nitrite to give benzyne by decarboxylation & loss of  $\text{N}_2$ . Formation of benzyne gives, strong peak at 76, in mass spectrometer.

In second step benzyne itself to give a benzyne dimer having a four membered ring between two benzene rings.



43) Ans (c):- Hint:- The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data at  $\delta$  2.67 (2H, s), 5.60(2H,s) ppm ruled out the options (a) & (d) which would otherwise give singlet for three hydrogen.

Now among (b) & (c); compound (b) is achiral due to the plane of symmetry so would be achiral therefore the structure of the product (racemic) must be (c) which also match with given spectral data.

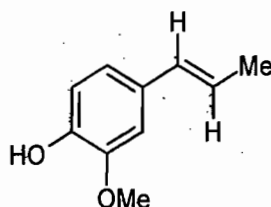


44) Ans (a):- From the given spectral data:-

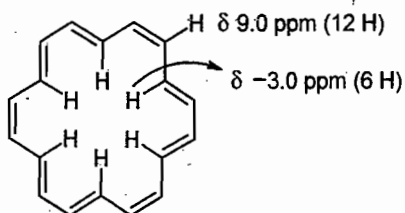
\*Protons substituted trans on double bond couple most strongly with typical value for  $^3J$  of about 16 Hz. Therefore the compound (b) is not possible in which protons substituted cis on double bond.

\*The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data at  $\delta$  6.8 (1H,s) is a without coupling constant & is not possible in compound (c).

\*Now the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data at  $\delta$  3.8 (3H, s), is indicate the presence of -OMe group which is present in compound (a) but absent in (d), Therefore the structure of the compound is :-

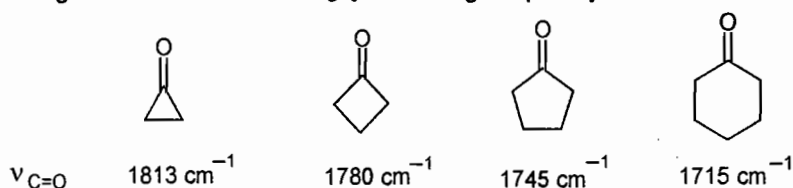


45) Ans (c):-  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of [18]-annulene shows two peaks at  $\delta$  9.0 (12H; outer proton) and  $\delta$  -3.0 (6H; inner proton).



46) Ans (d):- Resonant frequencies for EPR and NMR are microwave and radiofrequency respectively in the spectral region

47) Ans (b):- Hint:- As the ring strain increases the  $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$  stretching frequency also increases



48) Ans (a):- 1,3 butadiene in its UV absorption spectrum recorded in *n*-hexane shows the absorption at  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  217 nm ( $\epsilon_{\text{max}}$  = 21,000).

| Alkenes          | $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ (nm) | $\epsilon_{\text{max}}$ |
|------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Ethylene         | 175                         | 15000                   |
| 1,3-butadiene    | 217                         | 21000                   |
| 1,3,5-hexatriene | 258                         | 35000                   |

49) Ans (d):- The aldehyde hydrogen is shifted far downfield due to the anisotropy of the carbonyl group show a sharp singlet for one of its protons at  $\delta \geq 8$  ppm that is at 9.0–10.0 ppm in  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum, which remain unaffected on shaking the solution thoroughly with  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ .

50) Ans (b):- The correct match is:-

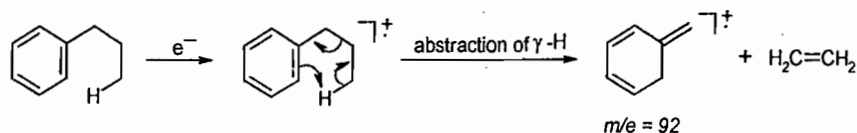
|    | List- I | List- II |
|----|---------|----------|
| A) |         | 1750     |
| B) |         | 1725     |
| C) |         | 1795     |
| D) |         | 2240     |

51) Ans (a):- The correct match is:-

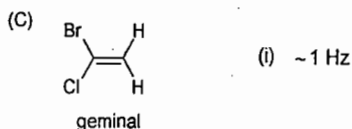
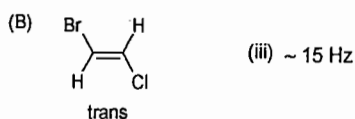
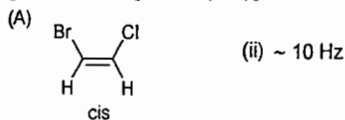
| Type of transition            | Type of bond |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| $\sigma \rightarrow \sigma^*$ | C-C          |
| $n \rightarrow \sigma^*$      | C-O          |
| $n, \pi^*$                    | C=O          |
| $\pi, \pi^*$                  | C=C          |



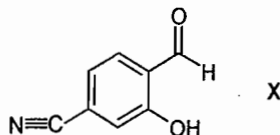
52) Ans (b):- Mass spectra of ortho, meta & para-disubstituted aromatic rings are essentially identical as a result the position of substituent of polyalkyl substituted benzenes cannot be determined by mass spectrometry. So among the give option compound Q is identified uniquely by mass spectrometry. When alkyl group is attached to the benzene ring is propyl or larger group an important type of rearrangement called McLafferty rearrangement occurs.



53) Ans (b):- The correct match of a coupling constant [ $^1H J$  (Hz)] is:-

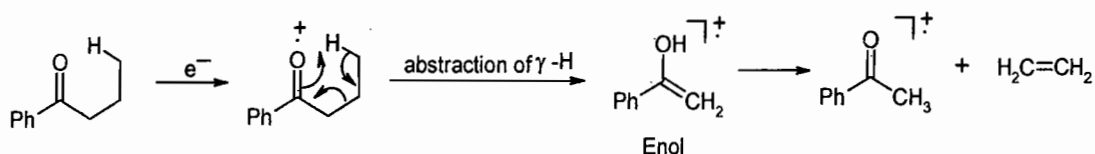


54) Ans (a):- The IR stretching frequencies ( $cm^{-1}$ ) for the compound X are:-



$$\bar{\nu}_{(OH)} = 3300-3500; \bar{\nu}_{(CH)} = 3000; \bar{\nu}_{(CN)} = 2225; \bar{\nu}_{(CO)} = 1680$$

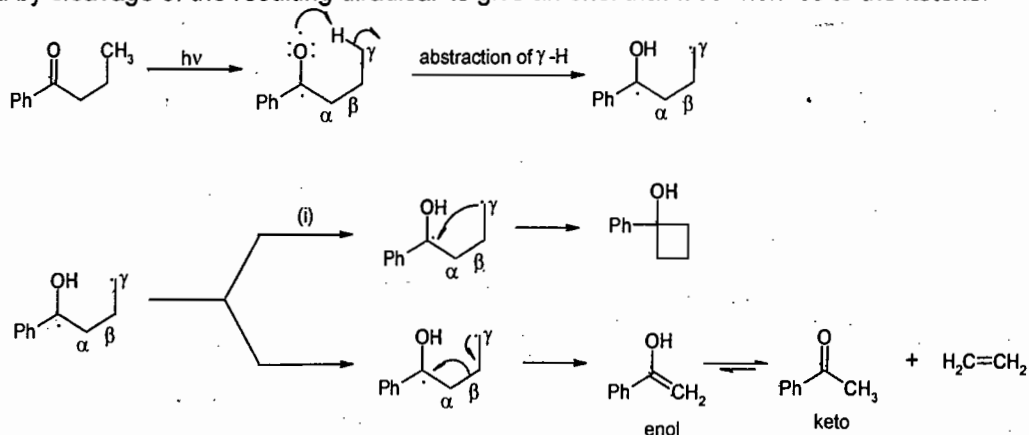
55) Ans (a):- The fragment formed by McLafferty like rearrangement in mass spectrometer of butyrophenone ( $PhCOCH_2CH_2CH_3$ ).



56) Ans (d):- In the Norrish Type II cleavage reaction, intramolecular abstraction of the  $\gamma$  hydrogen leads to two types of reaction

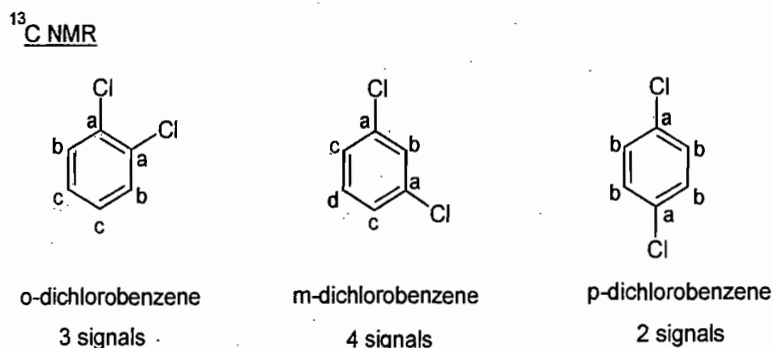
i) followed by cyclization of diradical to give a cyclobutanol.

ii) followed by cleavage of the resulting diradical to give an enol that tautomerizes to the ketone.

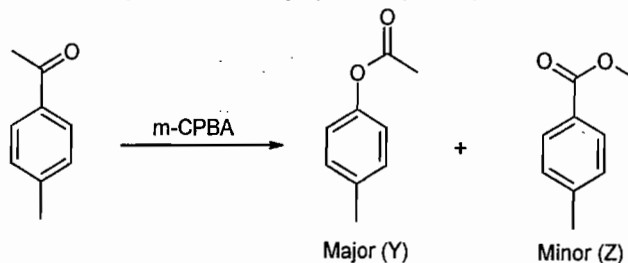


57) Ans (c):- The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of HD consists of a 1:1:1 triplet (Refer the solution of question no. 9)

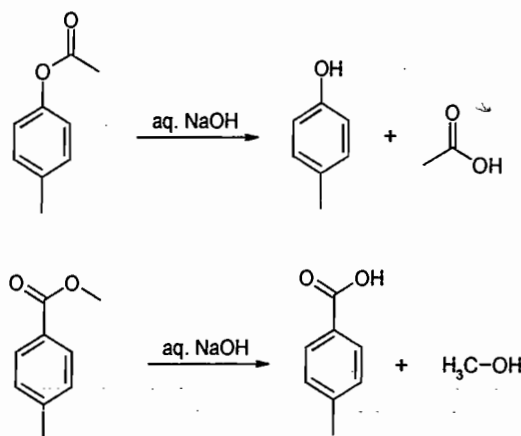
58) Ans (a):- The broad-band decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of *ortho*-, *meta*- and *para*-dichlorobenzenes, gives 3, 4 and 2 number of signals respectively



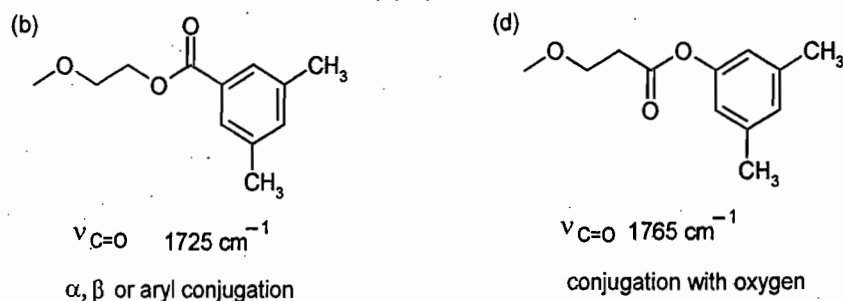
59) Ans (b):- An organic compound X ( $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{10}\text{O}$ ) with IR:  $1680\text{ cm}^{-1}$  that is conjugation of carbonyl group with phenyl &  $^1\text{H}$  NMR with  $\delta$  7.8 (2 H, d,  $J$  7.5 Hz), 7.2 (2 H, d,  $J$  7.5 Hz), 2.7 (3 H, s) and 2.4 (3 H, s) match with 4-methylacetophenone(X) which on treatment with *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid (that is Baeyer–Villiger oxidation) produced two isomeric compounds Y (major) and Z(minor).



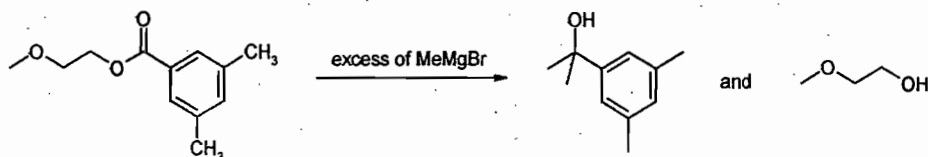
60) Ans (b):- Compounds Y and Z can be differentiated by carrying out basic hydrolysis, because Y produces 4-methylphenol and Z produces 4-methylbenzoic acid.



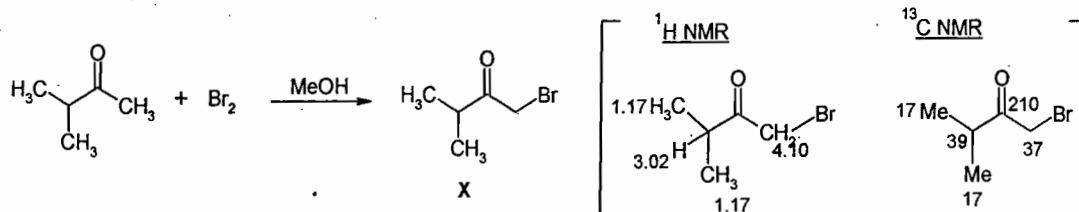
61) Ans (b):- The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signal at  $\delta$  2.35 (s, 6H) is not possible for compound (a) & (c) in given option. Now among (b) & (d) the IR value  $1720\text{ cm}^{-1}$  match with (b) option as shown below.



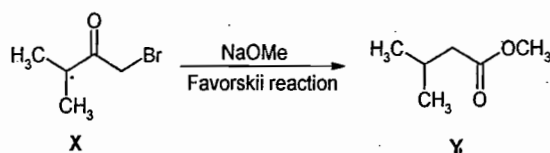
62) Ans (b):-



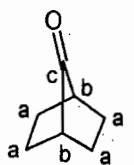
63) Ans (d):- The compound [X] with given spectral data is:



64) Ans (d):- The compound [Y] is:-



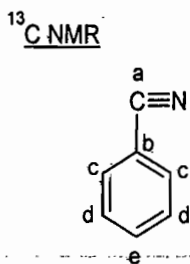
65) Ans (b):- The number of signals obtained in the proton decoupled  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  spectrum of 7-norbornanone are three



66) Ans (c):- A compound that contains one bromine atom will always have two ion peaks namely molecular ion peak (M);  $M+2$  with equal intensity because of  $^{81}\text{Br}$  isotope along with  $^{79}\text{Br}$  that is  $M^+ : (M+2)^+ = 1:1$

67) Ans (c):- Intensities of IR absorption is directly proportional to relative bond polarities & hence more intense band in the IR absorption is of O-H.

68) Ans (b):- The number of signals that appear in the proton decoupled  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  spectrum of benzonitrile ( $\text{C}_7\text{H}_5\text{N}$ ) are five



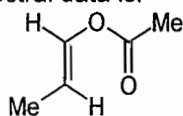
69) Ans (c):- A sharp band at around  $3300\text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the IR spectrum is due to C-H stretching frequency in H-C $\equiv$ C (C-H in terminal alkyne) which is present in 1-butyne.

70) Ans (a):- IR: At  $1760\text{ cm}^{-1}$  is due to the conjugation of single bonded oxygen atom with C=C

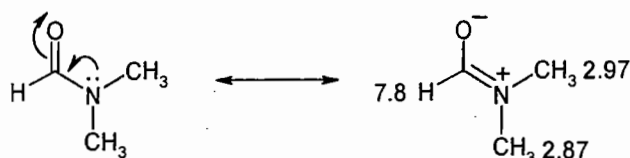
**$^1\text{H NMR}$** : Protons substituted trans on double bond couple most strongly with typical value for  $^3J$  of about 16 Hz & methoxy proton are always appear in the range of  $\delta$  3.2-3.8ppm so given values indicate the absence of methoxy proton

**$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** :  $\delta$  (ppm): 170 carbonyl carbon of ester (165-175)

An organic compound exhibited the above spectral data is:-



71) **Ans (b):-** At room temperature DMF has a partial double bond character due to the delocalization & therefore it gives singlet for each methyl group (one Me group is syn to oxygen & another is anti to oxygen) but at high temperature delocalization become so fast & sufficient energy available to overcome the rotational barrier and allow the two methyl groups to interchange & result in one broad signal for six protons 120 °C which become sharp singlet for six protons at  $\delta$  2.92 ppm 150 °C

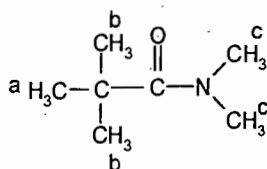


72) **Ans (a):-** Difference in the frequencies of the two methyl singlets is 30 Hz

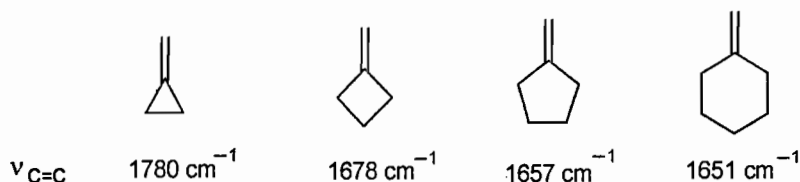
[Difference between the frequencies of the ( $\delta_1 - \delta_2$ )  $\times$  ( Frequency of NMR machine )

$$= (2.97 - 2.87)300 = 0.10 \times 300 = 30\text{Hz}$$

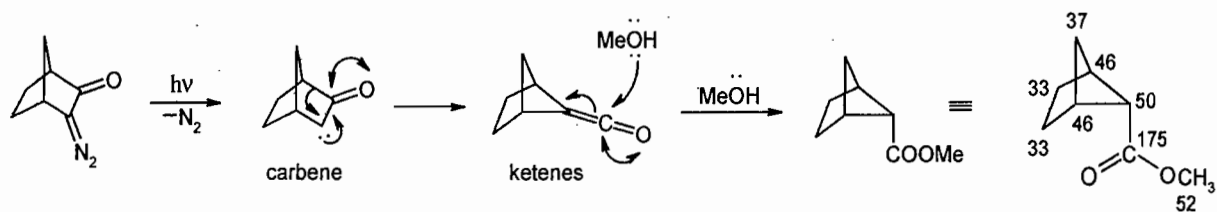
73) **Ans (b):-** At room temperature, the number of singlet resonances observed in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{Me}_3\text{CC}(\text{O})\text{NMe}_2$  (N,N-dimethyl pivalamide) is



74) **Ans (c):-** Hint:- As the ring strain increases the  $\nu_{\text{C}=\text{C}}$  stretching frequency also increases

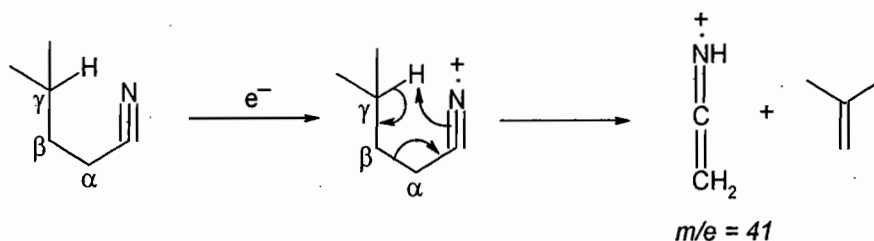


75) **Ans (c):-** It is an example of the Wolff rearrangement:- reaction of diazoketones to give carboxylic acid, or its derivative. In cyclic diazoketones, the rearrangement leads to ring contraction.

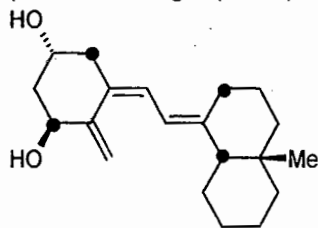


76) **Ans (b):-** The set of protons (underlined) in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_3$  would exhibit different splitting patterns in high (500 MHz)( the splitting patterns no longer overlap) and low (60 MHz)( signal overlap) field  $^1\text{H}$  NMR, due to spin-spin splitting.(spin-spin splitting gives the number of hydrogens on adjacent carbons).

77) **Ans (c):-** The  $m/z$  value of the detectable fragment formed by McLafferty like rearrangement in mass spectrometer is 41



78) Ans (b):- The absorption wavelength (in nm) for given compound is 282 nm.



|                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| 1,3-butadiene:               | 217 nm       |
| one additional conjugation:  | 30           |
| four alkyl substituent:      | 20           |
| three exocyclic double bond: | 15           |
|                              | <hr/> 282 nm |

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## Topic 18

# PERICYCLIC REACTIONS

### Questions with two marks

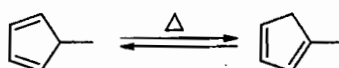
1) Thermolysis of allyl phenyl ether generates

[June 2011]

- (a) o-allyl phenol only  
 (b) o- and p-allyl phenols  
 (c) o-, m- and p-allyl phenols  
 (d) m-allyl phenol only

2) The reaction given below is an example of

[June 2011]



- (a) 1, 3-sigmatropic hydrogen shift  
 (b) 1, 3-sigmatropic methyl shift  
 (c) 1, 5-sigmatropic hydrogen shift  
 (d) 1, 5-sigmatropic methyl shift.

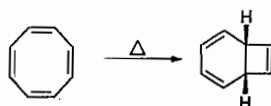
3) The concerted photochemical reaction between two olefins leading to a cyclobutane ring is

[June 2011]

- (a)  $\pi 2_S + \pi 2_a$  cycloaddition  
 (b)  $\pi 2_S + \pi 2_S$  cycloaddition  
 (c)  $\sigma 2_S + \sigma 2_S$  cycloaddition  
 (d)  $\pi 2_S + \sigma 2_a$  cycloaddition

4) In the following concerted reaction, the product is formed by a

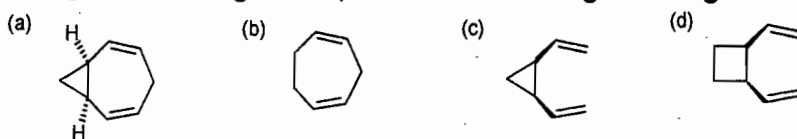
[Dec 2011]



- (a)  $6\pi$ - disrotatory electrocycloislation  
 (b)  $4\pi$ - disrotatory electrocycloislation  
 (c)  $6\pi$ - conrotatory electrocycloislation  
 (d)  $4\pi$ - conrotatory electrocycloislation

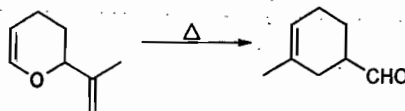
5) Among the following dienes, the one that undergoes a degenerate Cope rearrangement is

[June 2013]



6) The following reaction proceeds through a

[Dec 2013]



- (a) 1, 3-sigmatropic rearrangement  
 (b) 2, 3-sigmatropic rearrangement  
 (c) 3, 3-sigmatropic rearrangement  
 (d) 3, 5-sigmatropic rearrangement

7) The number of nodes present in the highest occupied molecular orbital of 1, 3, 5-hexatriene in its ground state is

[Dec 2013]

- (a) one  
 (b) two  
 (c) three  
 (d) four

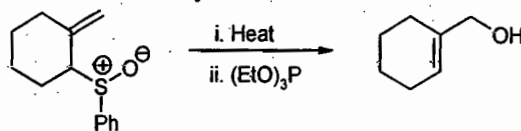
8) In a Diels-Alder reaction, the most reactive diene amongst the following is

[June 2014]

- (a) (4E)-1,4-hexadiene  
 (b) (4Z)-1,4-hexadiene  
 (c) (2E,4E)-2,4-hexadiene  
 (d) (2Z,4Z)-2,4-hexadiene

9) Pericyclic reaction involved in one of the steps of the following reaction sequence is

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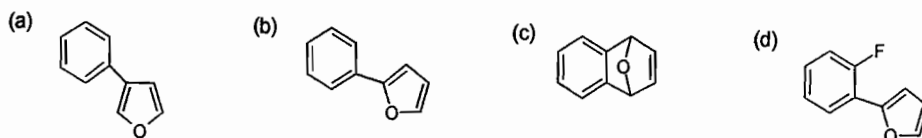


- (a) [1,3] sigmatropic shift  
(c) [1,5] sigmatropic shift

- (b) [3,3] sigmatropic shift  
(d) [2,3] sigmatropic shift

10) The reaction of 1-bromo-2-fluorobenzene with furan in the presence of one equivalent of Mg gives

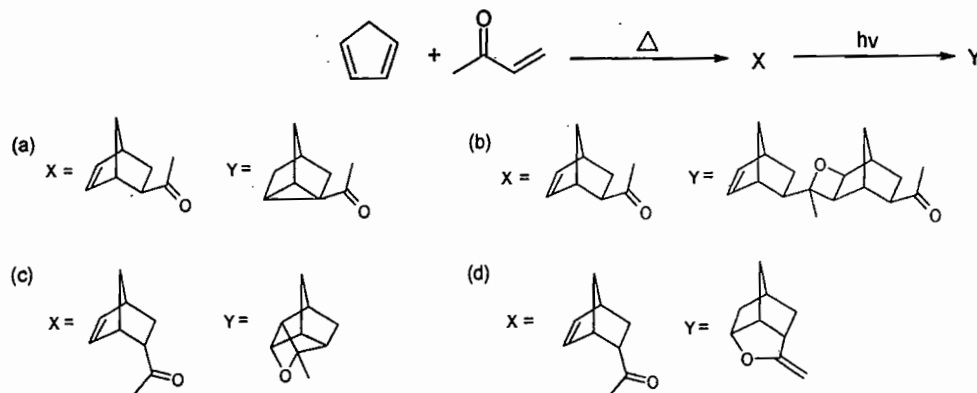
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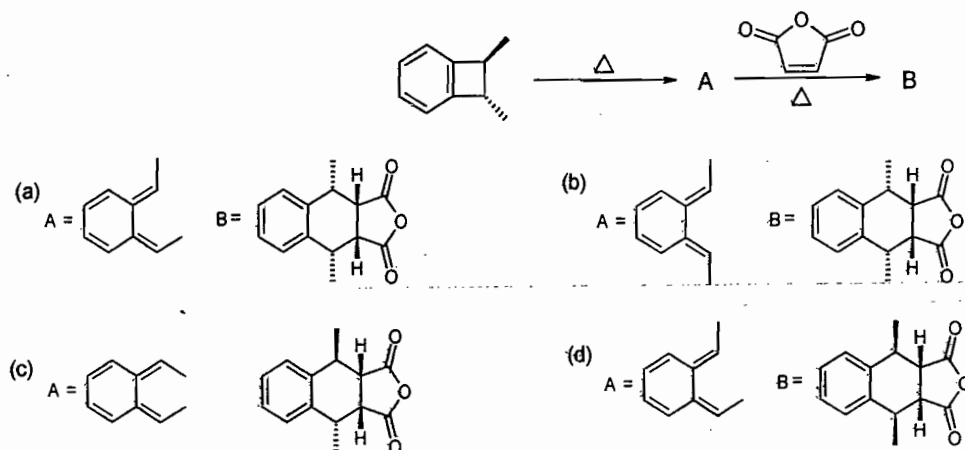
11) The structures of the major products X and Y in the following transformation are

[June 2011]



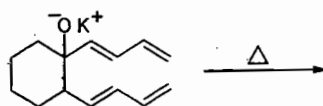
12) The major products A and B in the following reaction sequence are

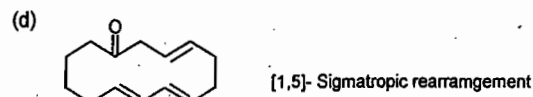
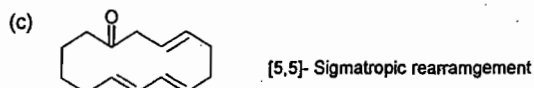
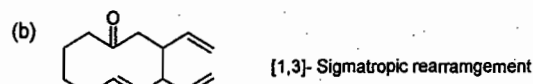
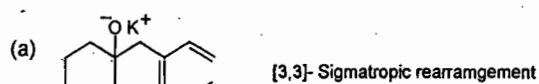
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13) The product formed and the process involved in the following reaction is

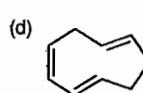
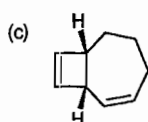
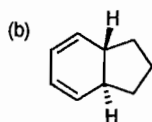
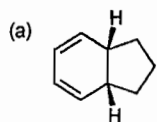
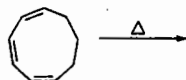
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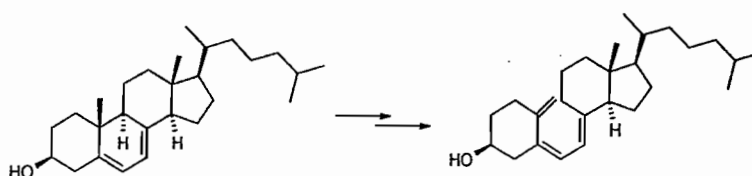
14) The major product formed in the following concerted reaction is

[June 2012]



15) The two step conversion of 7-dehydrocholesterol to vitamin D<sub>3</sub> proceeds through

[June 2012]



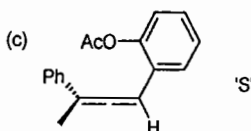
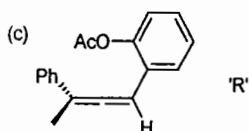
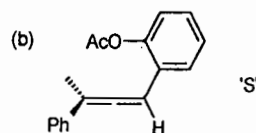
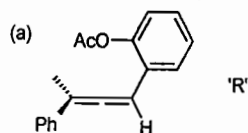
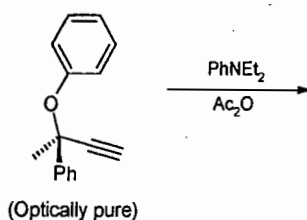
- (a) Photochemical electrocyclic disrotatory ring opening; and thermal antarafacial [1, 7] -H shift.  
 (b) Photochemical electrocyclic conrotatory ring opening; and thermal antarafacial [1, 7] -H shift.  
 (c) Thermal electrocyclic conrotatory ring opening; and photochemical suprafacial [1, 7] -H shift.  
 (d) Thermal electrocyclic disrotatory ring opening; and thermal suprafacial [1, 7] -H shift.

16) The major product formed when (3R, 4S)-3, 4-dimethylhexa-1, 5-diene is heated at 240° is

[June 2012]

- (a) (2Z, 6Z)-octa-2, 6-diene      (b) (2E, 6E)-octa-2, 6-diene  
 (c) (2E, 6Z)-octa-2, 6-diene      (d) (3Z, 5E)-octa-3, 5-diene

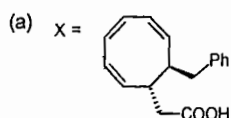
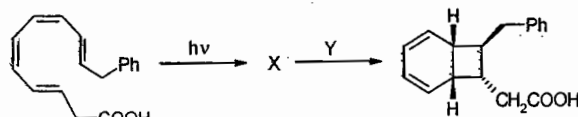
17) In the following pericyclic reaction, the structure of the allene formed and its configuration are [Dec 2012]



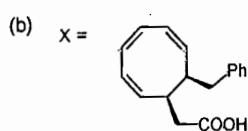


18) In the following sequence of pericyclic reactions X and Y are

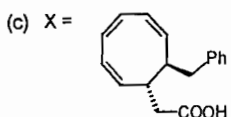
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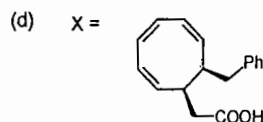
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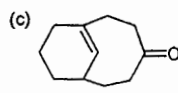
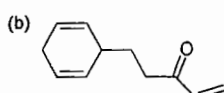
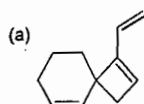
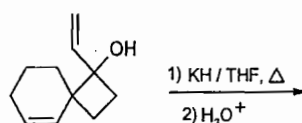
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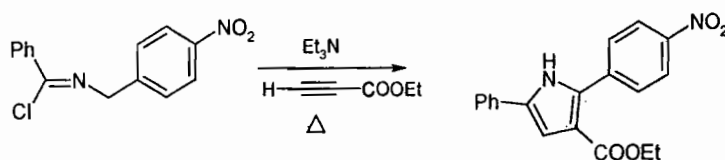
19) The major product formed in the following reaction is

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20) The following conversion involves

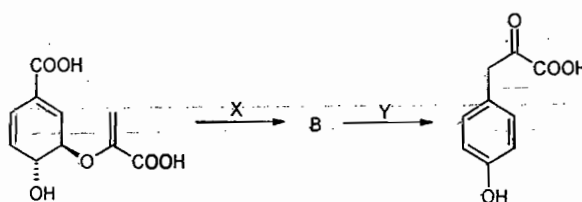
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- (a) a 1, 3-dipolar species as reactive intermediate, and a cycloaddition.
- (b) a carbenium ion as reactive intermediate, and a cycloaddition.
- (c) a 1, 3-dipolar species as reactive intermediate, and an aza Wittig reaction.
- (d) a carbanion as reactive intermediate, and an aza Cope rearrangement.

21) With respect to the following biogenetic conversion of chorismic acid (A) to 4-hydroxyphenylpyruvic acid (C), the correct statement is

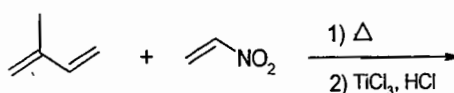
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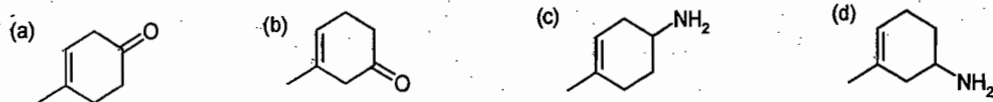


- (a) X is Claisen rearrangement; Y is oxidative decarboxylation.
- (b) X is Fries rearrangement; Y is oxidative decarboxylation.
- (c) X is Fries rearrangement; Y is dehydration.
- (d) X is Claisen rearrangement; Y is dehydration.

22) The major product formed in the following reaction is

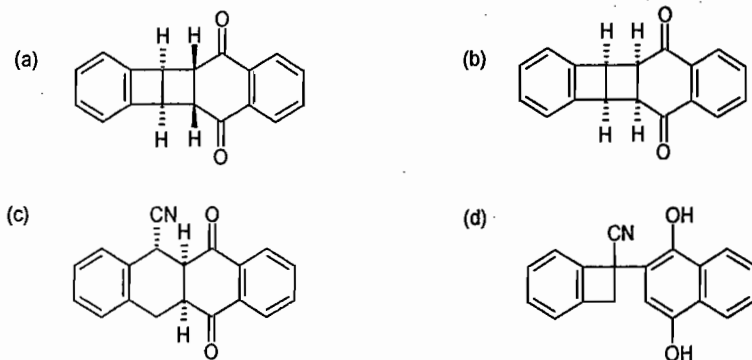
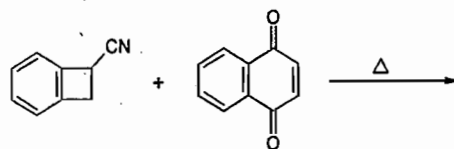
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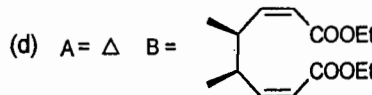
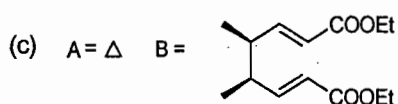
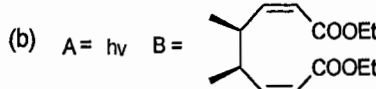
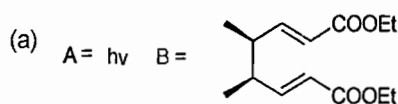
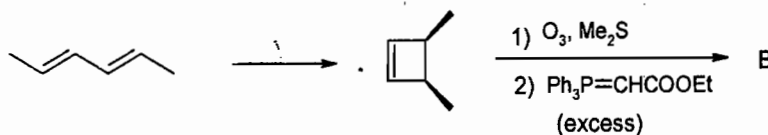
23) The major product formed in the following reaction is

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24) Predict the condition A and the structure of the major product B in the following sequence.

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25) The most appropriate mode of cyclisation in the following transformation is

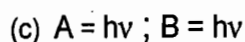
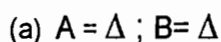
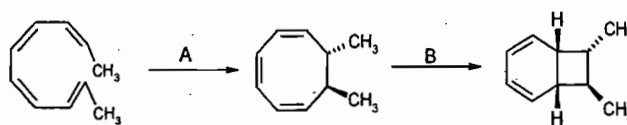
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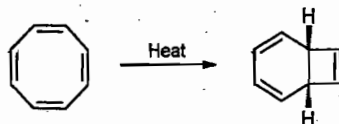
- (a) con-rotatory in photochemical; and dis-rotatory in thermal conditions.  
 (b) con-rotatory in thermal; and dis-rotatory in photochemical conditions.  
 (c) con-rotatory in thermal; and con-rotatory in photochemical conditions.  
 (d) dis-rotatory in photochemical; and dis-rotatory in thermal conditions.

26) The conditions A-B, required for the following pericyclic reactions are

[Dec 2013]

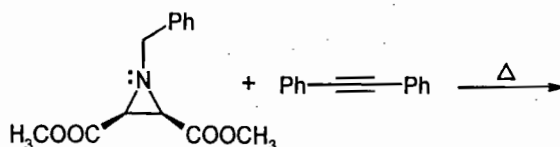


27) The number of  $\pi$  electrons participating and the pericyclic mode in the following reaction are [Dec 2013]



- (a) 4 and conrotatory (b) 4 and disrotatory (c) 6 and conrotatory (d) 6 and disrotatory

28) The major product formed in the following reaction is [June 2014]

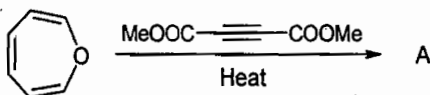


- (a) (b) (c) (d)

29) Anthranilic acid, on treatment with iso-amyl nitrite furnishes a product which displays a strong peak at 76 (m/e) in its mass spectrum. The structure of product is [June 2014]

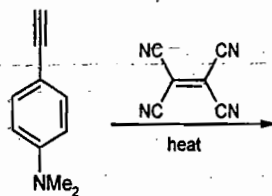
- (a) (b) (c) (d)

30) The major product A formed in the following reaction is [June 2014]



- (a) (b) (c) (d)

31) The major product of the following reaction is [Dec 2014]



- (a) (b) (c) (d)

**(Questions from GATE EXAM)**

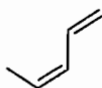
**Questions with ONE OR TWO marks**

32) Order of reactivity of the following dienes X, Y and Z in the Diels-Alder reaction is

(GATE 2005)



X



Y



Z

(a) X > Z > Y

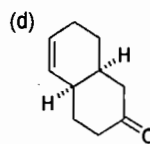
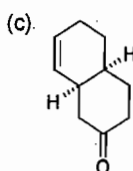
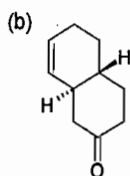
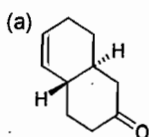
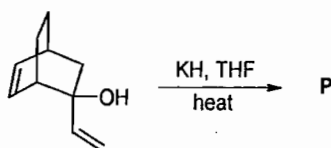
(b) Y > X > Z

(c) Y > Z > X

(d) X > Y > Z

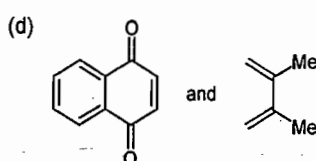
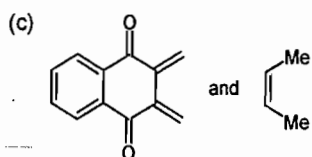
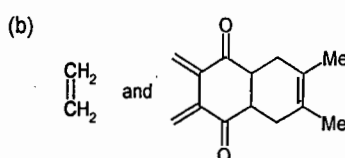
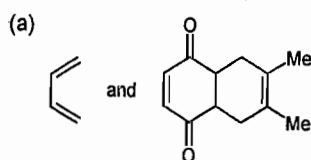
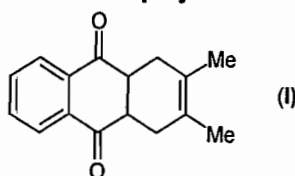
33) The major product P of the given reaction is

(GATE 2005)



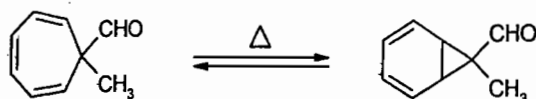
34) The most appropriate starting materials for one step synthesis of the compound (I) are

(GATE 2006)



35) Select the correct classification in the following reaction from options I to IV gives below

(GATE 2006)



(I) Conrotatory electrocyclic reaction

(II) Disrotatory electrocyclic reaction

(III) Valence isomerization

(IV)  $[\pi_4s + \pi_2a]$  Cycloaddition reaction

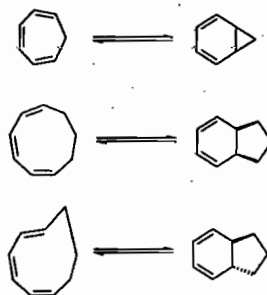
(a) I and III

(b) II and IV

(c) II and III

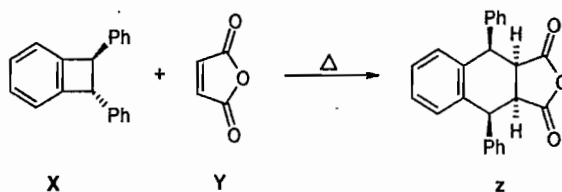
(d) I and IV

36) The direction of rotation of the following thermal electrocyclic ring closures respectively are (GATE 2007)



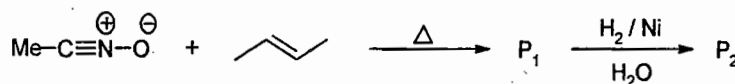
- (a) disrotatory, disrotatory, disrotatory  
 (b) conrotatory, conrotatory, conrotatory  
 (c) disrotatory, disrotatory, conrotatory  
 (d) disrotatory, conrotatory, disrotatory

37) The reaction between X and Y to give Z proceeds via (GATE 2008)



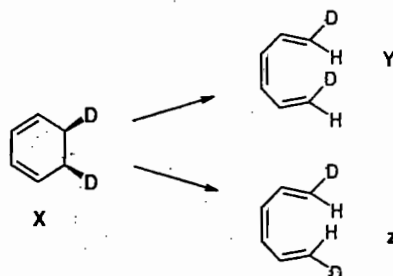
- (a)  $4\pi$ -conrotatory opening of x followed by *endo* Diels-Alder cycloaddition  
 (b)  $4\pi$ -disrotatory opening of x followed by *endo* Diels-Alder cycloaddition  
 (c)  $4\pi$ -conrotatory opening of x followed by *exo* Diels-Alder cycloaddition  
 (d)  $4\pi$ -disrotatory opening of x followed by *exo* Diels-Alder cycloaddition

38) The major products P<sub>1</sub> and P<sub>2</sub> respectively, in the following reaction sequence are (GATE 2008)



- (a) and   
 (b) and   
 (c) and   
 (d) and

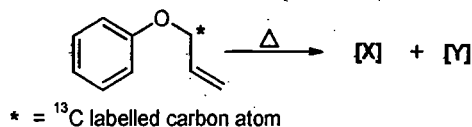
39) The products Y and Z are formed, respectively, from X via (GATE 2008)



- (a)  $h\nu$  conrotatory opening and  $\Delta$  disrotatory opening  
 (b)  $h\nu$  disrotatory opening and  $\Delta$  conrotatory opening  
 (c)  $\Delta$  conrotatory opening and  $h\nu$  disrotatory opening  
 (d)  $\Delta$  disrotatory opening and  $h\nu$  conrotatory opening

40) In the reaction the major products X and Y are

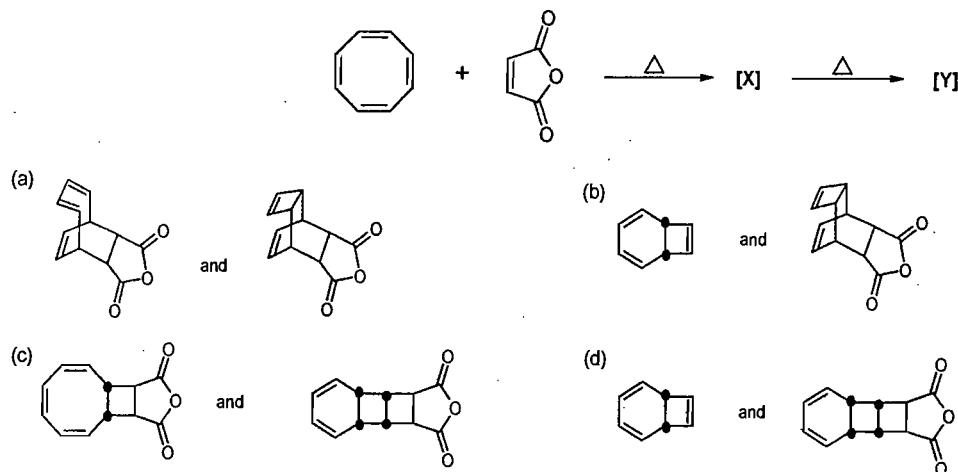
[GATE 2009]



- (a) and
- (b) and
- (c) and
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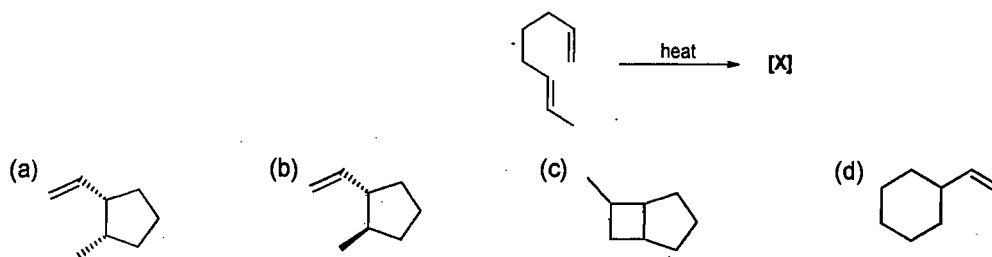
41) In the reaction sequence X and Y respectively, are

[GATE 2009]



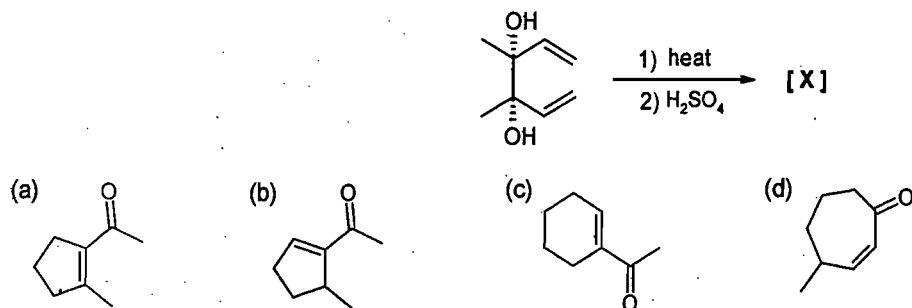
42) In the following reaction the major product [X] is

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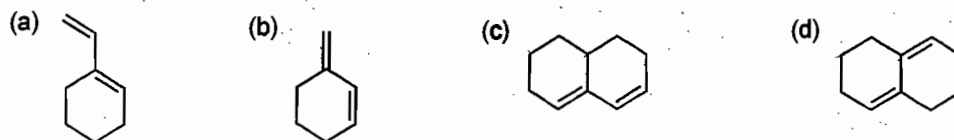
43) In the following reaction the major products [X] is

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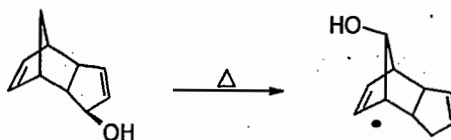
44) The diene which undergoes Diels-Alder reaction with maleic anhydride is

[GATE 2011]



45) The pericyclic reaction given below is an example of

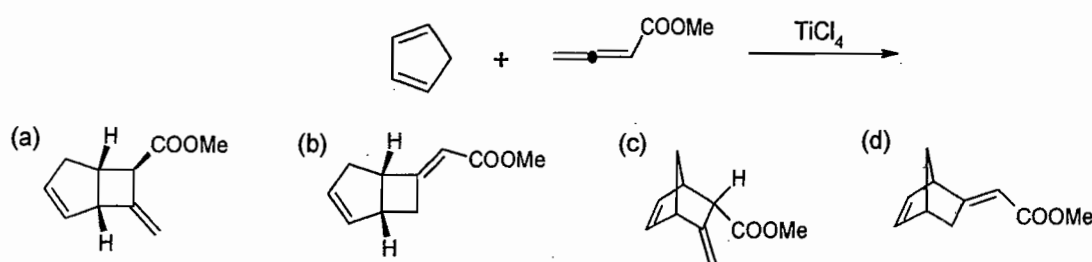
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- (a) [1,3]-sigmatropic shift (b) [1,5]-sigmatropic shift (c) [3,5]-sigmatropic shift (d) [3,3]-sigmatropic shift

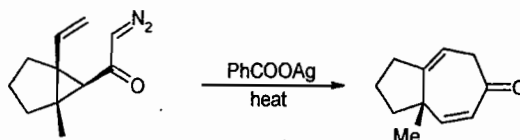
46) The major product formed in the following reaction is

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47) Formation of the ketone (II) from the diazoketone (I) involves

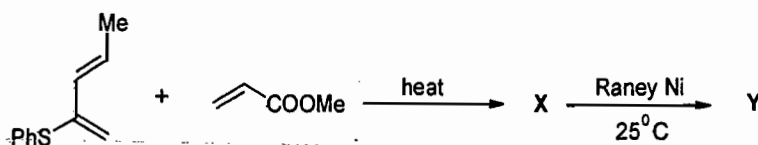
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- (a) generation of carbene and a [2,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement  
 (b) generation of carbene and an electrocyclic ring closing reaction  
 (c) generation of ketene and a [2+2] cycloaddition  
 (d) generation of ketene and a [3,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement

48) The major products X and Y formed in the following reaction sequence are

[GATE 2014]



- (a) X = Y =
- (b) X = Y =
- (c) X = Y =
- (d) X = Y =

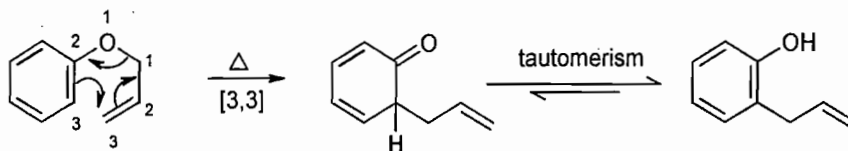
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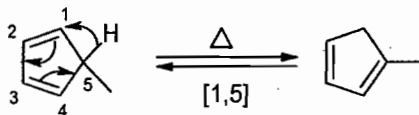
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| 11 | c | 12 | b | 13 | c | 14 | a | 15 | b | 16 | c | 17 | a | 18 | c | 19 | c | 20 | a |
| 21 | a | 22 | a | 23 | c | 24 | a | 25 | d | 26 | b | 27 | d | 28 | b | 29 | a | 30 | a |
| 31 | c | 32 | a | 33 | d | 34 | d | 35 | c | 36 | a | 37 | c | 38 | b | 39 | a | 40 | b |
| 41 | b | 42 | a | 43 | a | 44 | a | 45 | d | 46 | c | 47 | d | 48 | a |    |   |    |   |

**Hint & solution**

- 1) **Ans (a)**:- Thermolysis of allyl phenyl ether (a Claisen rearrangement) generates o-allyl phenol only.  
Claisen rearrangement is a [3,3] sigmatropic rearrangement of an allyl vinyl ether or allyl phenyl ether.



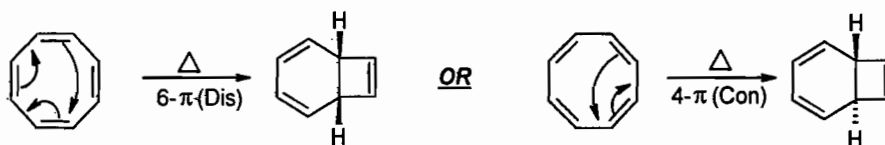
- 2) **Ans (c)**:- It is an example of 1, 5-σmatropic hydrogen shift



- 3) **Ans (b)**:- The concerted photochemical reaction between two olefins leading to a cyclobutane ring is  $\pi 2_s + \pi 2_s$  cycloaddition

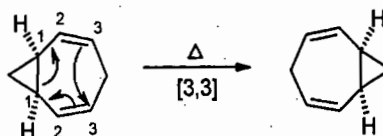
- 4) **Ans (a)**:- Stereochemistry in case of thermally allowed electrocyclic ring closing if the reactants are in same plane:-

| System      | Thermally    | stereochemistry |
|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| $4n \pi$    | Con rotation | Trans product   |
| $4n + 2\pi$ | Dis rotation | cis product     |



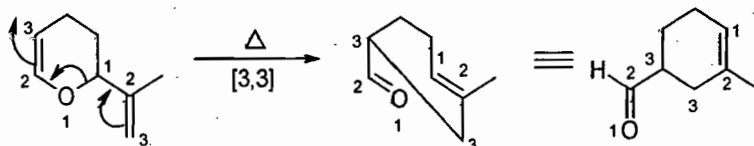
Thus the product is formed by a  $6\pi$ -disrotatory electrocycloislation (giving the cis-junction)

- 5) **Ans (a)**:- Compound (a) will undergo a degenerate Cope rearrangement.

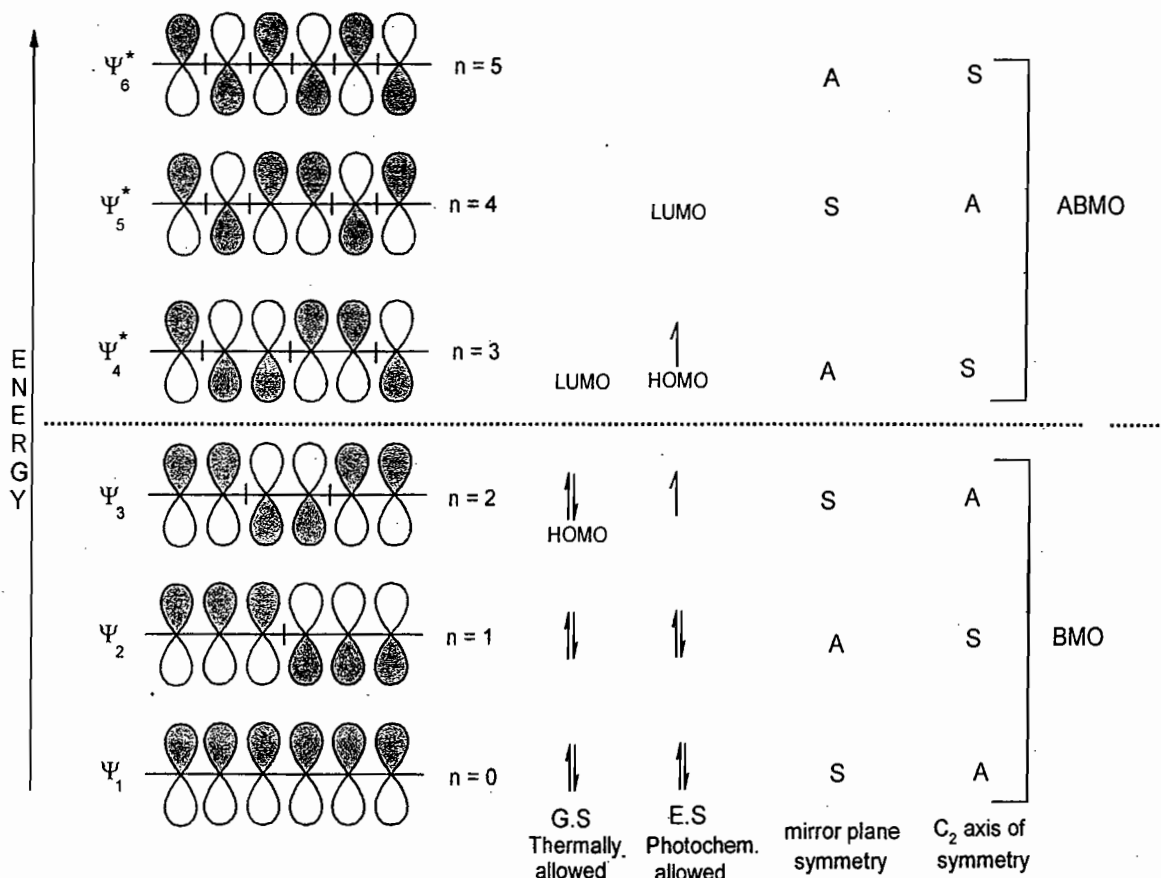




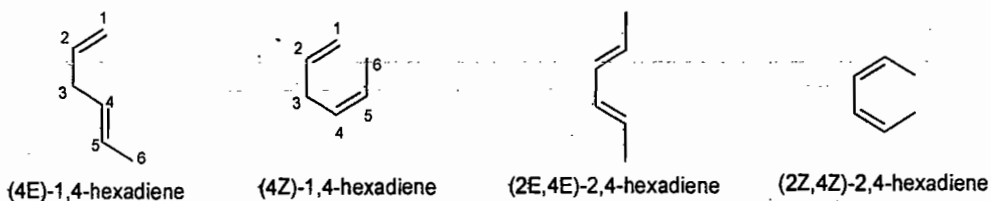
6) Ans (c):- The reaction proceeds through a 3,3-sigmatropic rearrangement as shown below.



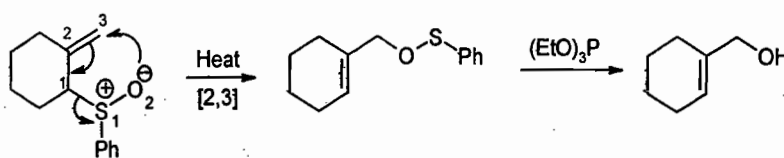
7) Ans(b):- The number of nodes present in the highest occupied molecular orbital of 1, 3, 5-hexatriene in its ground state (thermally allowed) is two.



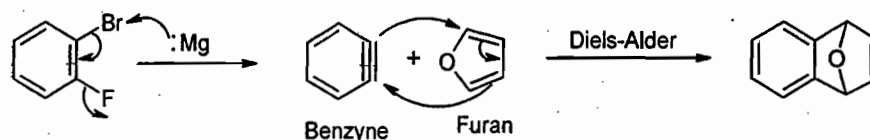
8) Ans (c):- Diels-Alder reaction is not possible in (4E)-1,4-hexadiene(a), (4Z)-1,4-hexadiene(b) as they are not conjugated diene. Among (c) and (d); (c) will react with faster rate. Cisoid conjugated diene are more reactive towards Diels-Alder reaction



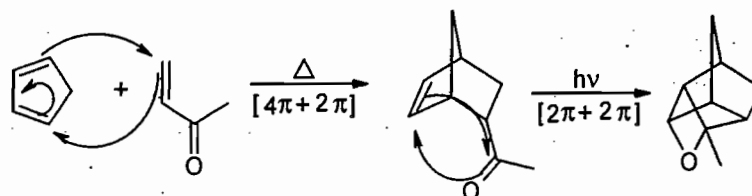
9) Ans (d):- It is a [2,3] sigmatropic shift



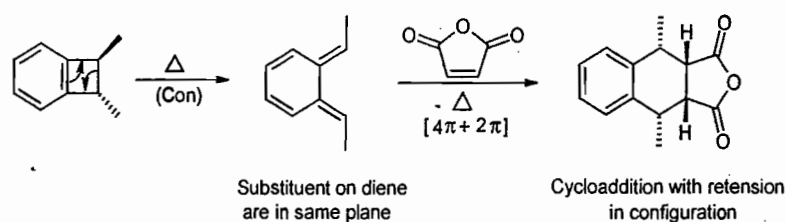
10) Ans (c):- It is a Diels-Alder reaction of furan & benzyne



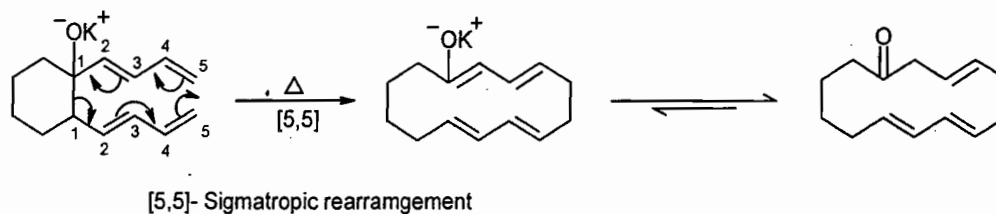
11) Ans (c):-



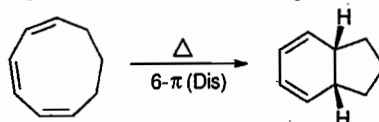
12) Ans (b):- First reaction is thermally allowed electrocyclic ring opening of trans-4n system to give diene with substituent in same plane. The resultant diene undergoes Diels Alder reaction with dienophile.



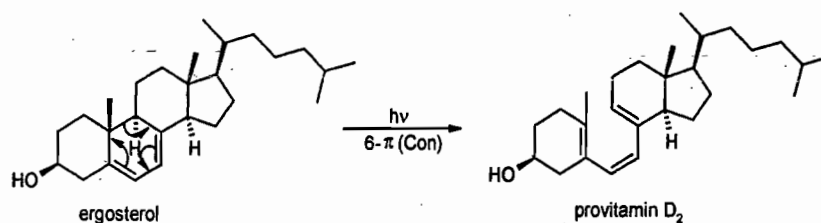
13) Ans (c):- It is an example of oxy-Cope rearrangement & product is formed by [5,5] sigmatropic rearrangement



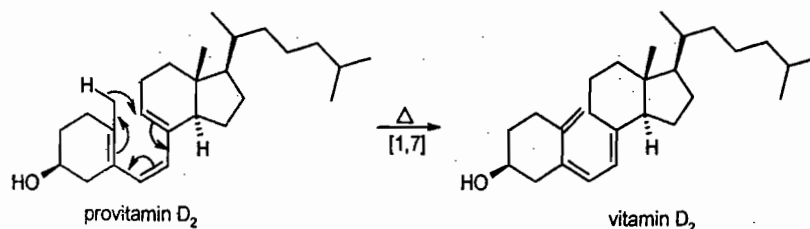
14) Ans (a):- Electrocyclic ring closure of  $4n + 2\pi$  system under thermal conditions is disrotatory. Disrotatory ring closure of this reactant causes the hydrogens to be cis in the ring closed product as substituent are in same plane



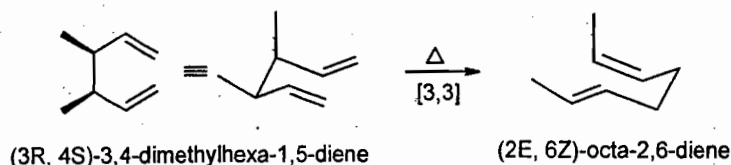
15) Ans (b):- Step I-Photochemical electrocyclic ring opening involving  $4n + 2\pi$  electrons are occur via conrotatory rotation



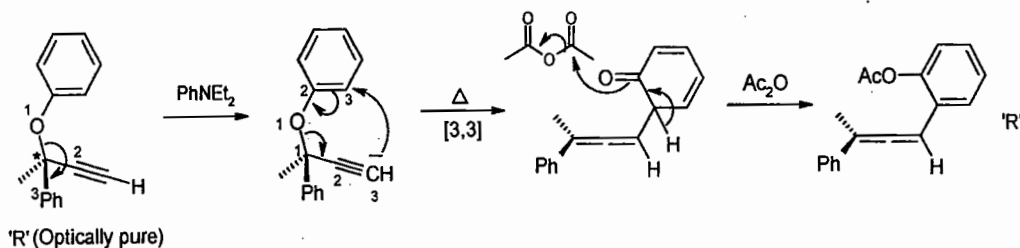
Step II- happens spontaneously, without the need for light, so the [1,7] shift must be antarafacial.



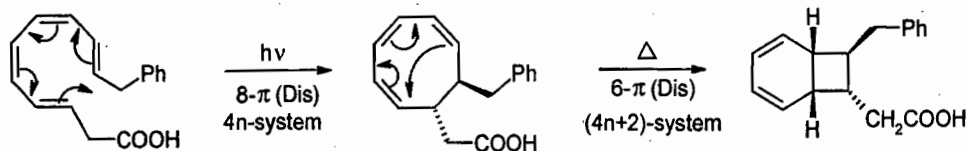
16) Ans (c):- (3R, 4S)-3, 4-dimethylhexa-1, 5-diene on heating undergoes [3,3] cope rearrangement to give (2E, 6Z)-octa-2, 6-diene



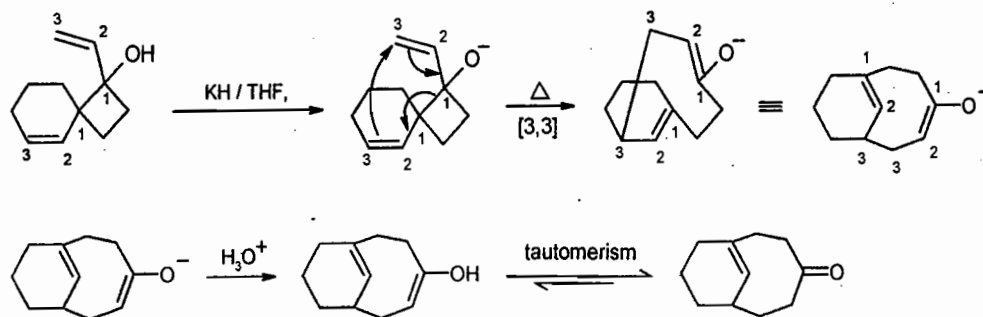
17) Ans (a):- Pericyclic reactions are all concerted reactions. This means that all the electron reorganization takes place in a single step with retention of configuration in product except when there is antarafacial migration



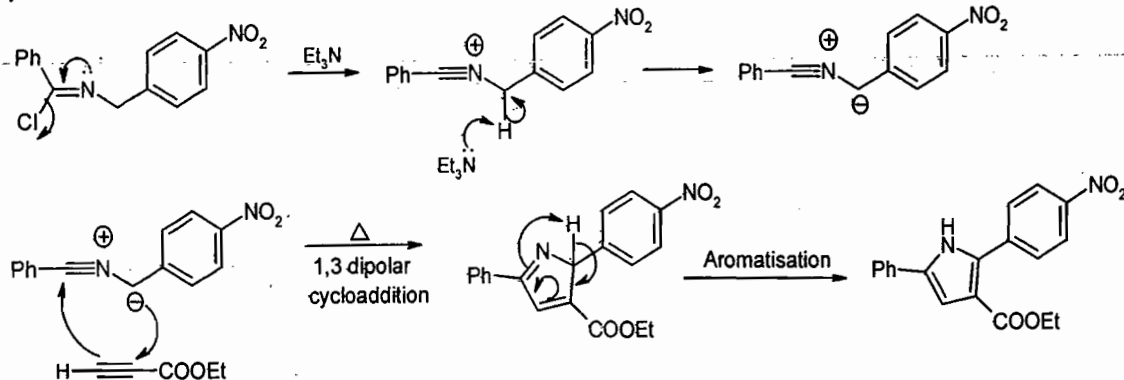
18) Ans (c):- Step I is disrotatory electrocyclic ring closure of  $4n$  system under photochemical condition. (trans junction)  
Step II is disrotatory electrocyclic ring closure of  $(4n + 2)\pi$  system under thermal conditions. (Cis junction)



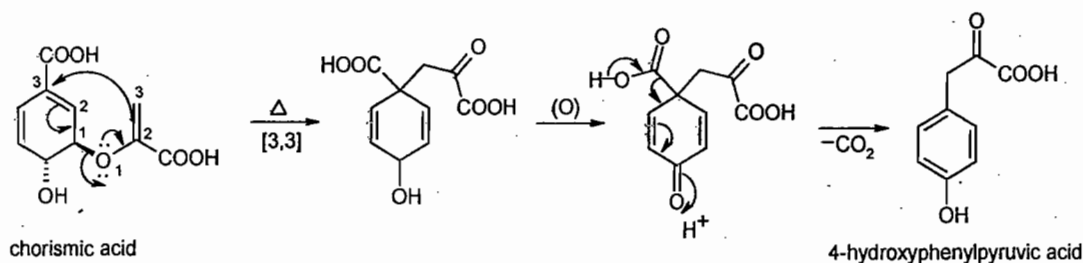
19) Ans (c):- It is an example of oxy-Cope rearrangement (thermally allowed 3,3-sigmatropic rearrangement)



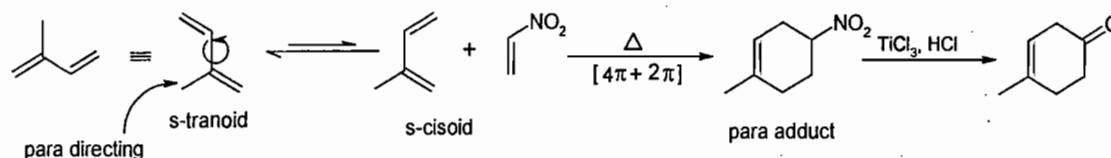
20) Ans (a):- Reaction involves a 1, 3-dipolar species as reactive intermediate, and a cycloaddition



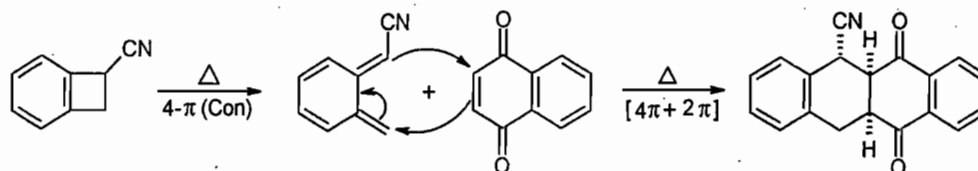
21) Ans (a):- Biogenetic conversion of chorismic acid to 4-hydroxyphenyl pyruvic acid take place via Claisen rearrangement; followed by oxidative decarboxylation.  
Claisen rearrangement is a [3,3] sigmatropic rearrangement of an allyl vinyl ether or allyl phenyl ether.



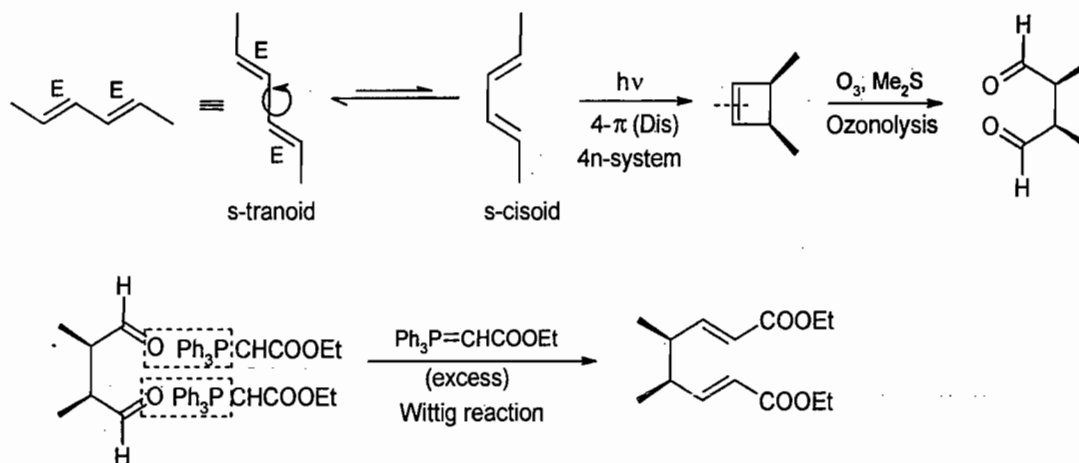
**22) Ans (a):-** Regioselectivity in Diels-Alder reactions:- Diels-Alder reactions are highly ortho/para selective & it depends on a position of electron donating group on diene.  $\text{TiCl}_3$  convert aliphatic nitro compounds into carbonyl compounds.



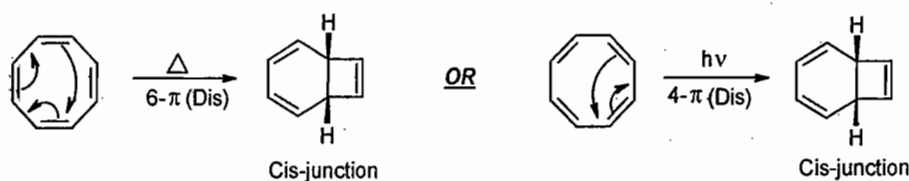
**23) Ans (c):-** Step I:- Electrocyclic ring opening of  $4n$  system under thermal conditions is occur via conrotatory rotation. Step II is  $[4\pi + 2\pi]$  cycloaddition.



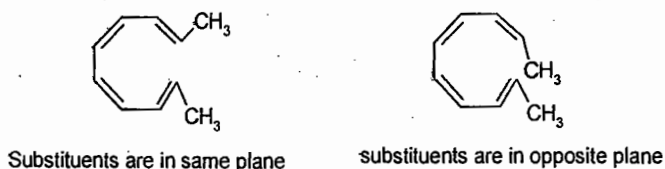
**24) Ans (a):-** Step I-Photochemical electrocyclic ring closure of  $4n$  system is occur via disrotatory. (Note if same reaction under thermal condition will give trans product)  
Step II- Ozonolysis reaction to give aldehyde. Aldehyde formed is react with stabilized phosphonium ylide to give trans alkene as a major product and a phosphine oxide (Wittig reaction)



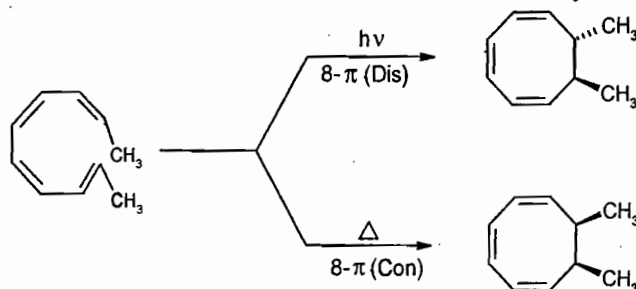
**25) Ans (d):-** Electrocyclic ring closure of  $4n + 2\pi$  system under thermal conditions is disrotatory & electrocyclic ring closure of  $4n$  system under photochemical conditions is also a disrotatory. Disrotatory ring closure of this reactant causes the hydrogens to be cis in the ring closed product as substituent are in same plane.



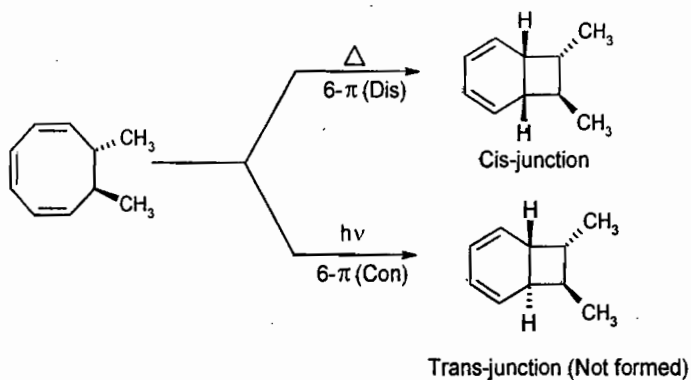
26) Ans (b):- Substituents in electrocyclic reaction are either in same plane or in opposite plane as shown below.



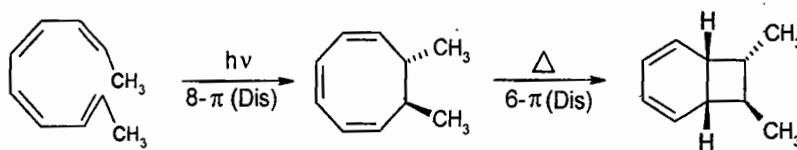
Thus first step is electrocyclic ring closure of  $4n\pi$  system under photochemical conditions is disrotatory if substituents are in opposite plane & the stereochemistry of product is trans. While same reaction under the thermal condition will give cis product & is occur conrotatory



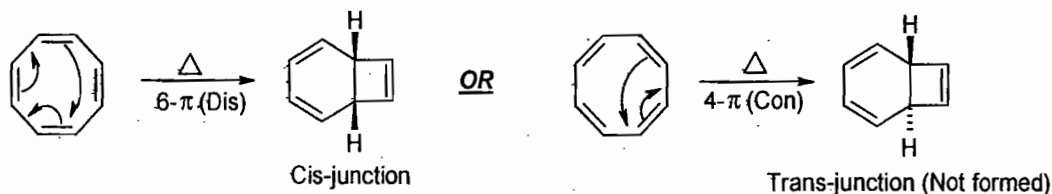
The second step Electrocylic ring closure of  $4n + 2\pi$  system under thermal conditions is disrotatory. Disrotatory ring closure of this reactant causes the hydrogens to be cis in the ring closed product. Electrocylic ring closure of  $4n + 2\pi$  system Under photochemical conditions is conrotatory. Conrotatory ring closure of this reactant causes the hydrogens to be trans in the ring closed product.



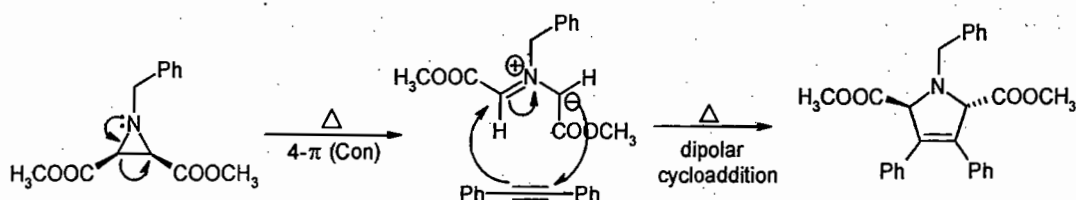
The overall reaction is :-



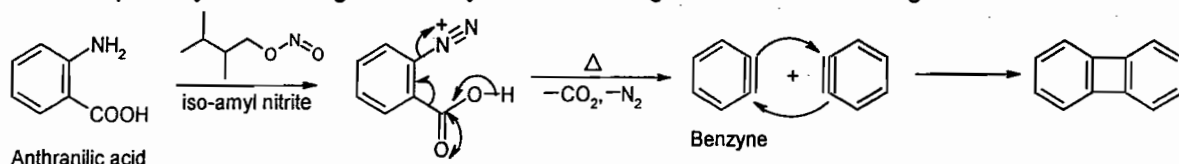
27) Ans (d):- Electrocylic ring closure of  $4n + 2\pi$  system under thermal conditions is disrotatory. Disrotatory ring closure of this reactant causes the hydrogens to be cis in the ring closed product as substituent are in same plane. Thus the product is formed by a  $6\pi$ - disrotatory electrocycloislation



28) Ans (b):- First step is three membered electrocyclic ring opening of a  $4e^-$  using the lone pair on nitrogen via conrotatory process under thermal condition to form 1,2 dipolar compound. During electrocyclic ring opening one  $-COOEt$  group must rotate inwards and other outwards. Second step is a cycloadditions of dipolar compound with dienophile.

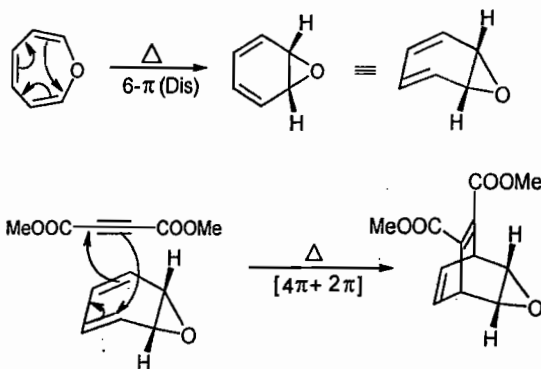


- 29) **Ans (a):**- In first step primary amine is converted into a diazonium salt by treatment with iso-amyl nitrite to give benzyne by decarboxylation & loss of  $N_2$ . Formation of benzyne gives, strong peak at 76, in mass spectrometer. In second step benzyne itself to give a benzyne dimer having a four membered ring between two benzene rings.

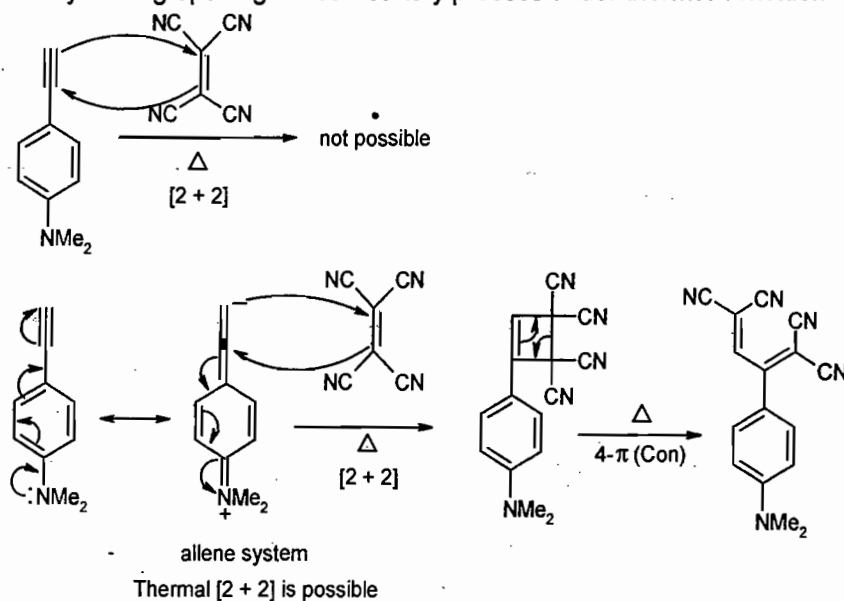


- 30) **Ans (a):**- First step is electrocyclic ring (intramolecular) closure of  $4n + 2\pi$  system under thermal conditions is disrotatory to give benzene oxide. Disrotatory ring closure of this reactant causes the hydrogens to be cis in the ring closed product (should not be confused with doing a cycloaddition reaction of  $8\pi$  system which is not possible under thermal condition).

Second step is  $4n + 2\pi$  cycloaddition of benzene oxide & acetylenedicarboxylate, under thermal conditions

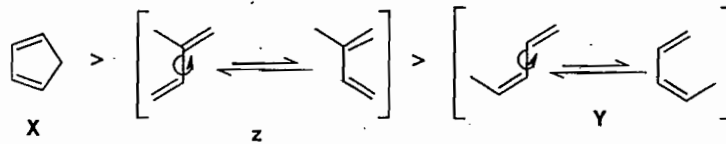


- 31) **Ans (c):**-Thermal  $[2 + 2]$  cycloadditions are not possible; but there are some thermal  $[2 + 2]$  cycloadditions giving four-membered rings but one of the system must have two double bonds to the *same* carbon atom. The most important examples are ketenes, isocyanates and allenes. The structures have two  $\pi$  bonds at right angles. Second step is electrocyclic ring opening via conrotatory process under thermal condition

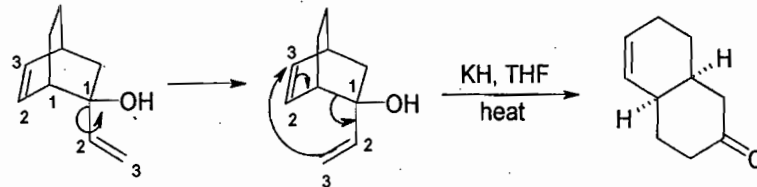


32) **Ans (a):-** Only dienes which can adopt the *s-cis* conformation undergo Diels-Alder reactions & the most reactive diene has the double bonds locked in an *s-cis* conformation therefore X is more reactive diene. Among Y & Z; Z is more reactive than Y due to steric crowding in Y

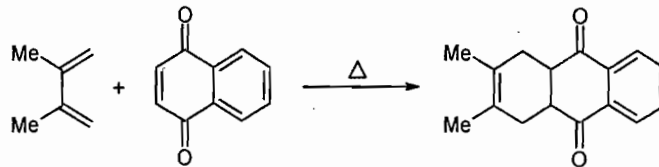
Reactivity of diene



33) **Ans (d):-** It is an example of oxy-Cope rearrangement (thermally allowed 3,3-sigmatropic rearrangement)

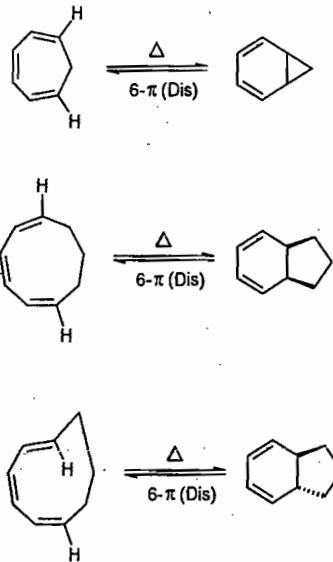


34) **Ans (d):-** Most successful Diels-Alder reactions involve electron rich (the donor) the diene and the electron poor (the acceptor) dienophile. Thus dienes with electron donating substituents & dienophiles with electron withdrawing substituents shows the increased reactivity. So the most appropriate starting materials are:-

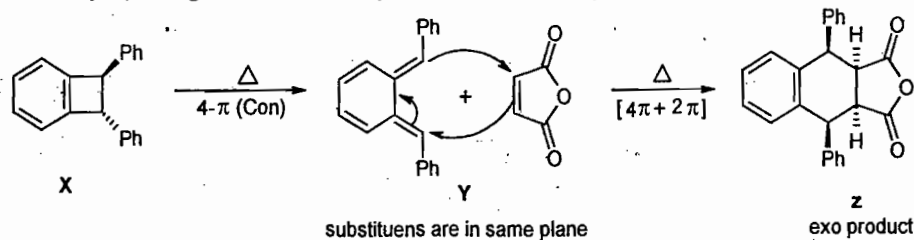


35) **Ans (c):-** The reaction is disrotatory electrocyclic valence isomerization reaction under thermal conditions

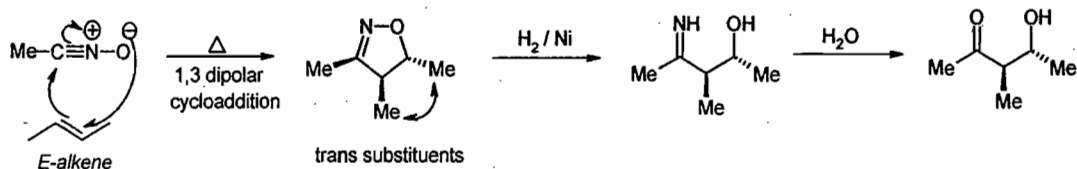
36) **Ans (a):-** Electrocyclic ring closure of  $4n + 2\pi$  system under thermal conditions is disrotatory



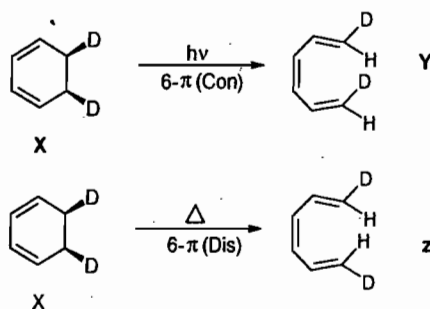
37) **Ans (c):-**  $4\pi$ -conrotatory opening of x followed by *exo* Diels-Alder cycloaddition.



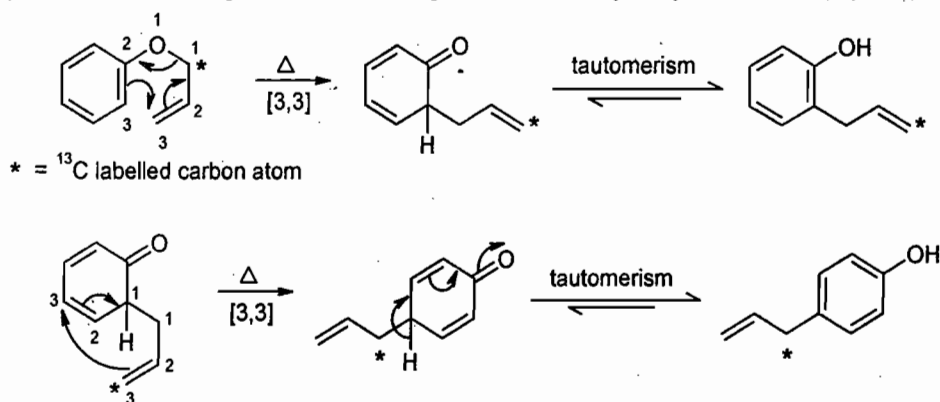
- 38) Ans (b):- First step is 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of nitrile oxide and alkene to form five-membered ring. In second step  $H_2/Ni$  reduces weak N-O bond to give imine which on hydrolysis to give a ketone.



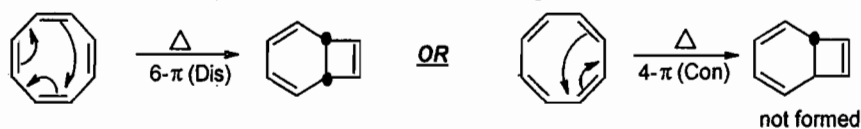
- 39) Ans (a):- The products Y and Z are formed, respectively, from X via  $h\nu$  conrotatory opening and  $\Delta$  disrotatory opening



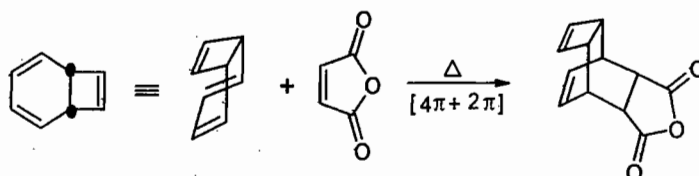
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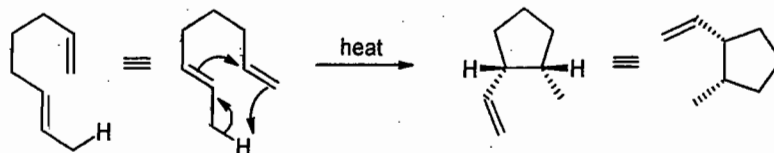
- 41) Ans (b):- First step is thermally allowed  $6\pi$ - disrotatory electrocycloisisation (intramolecular). Disrotatory ring closure of this reactant causes the hydrogens to be cis in the ring closed product.



Second step is thermally allowed  $4n + 2\pi$  cycloaddition reaction of diene with maleic anhydride.

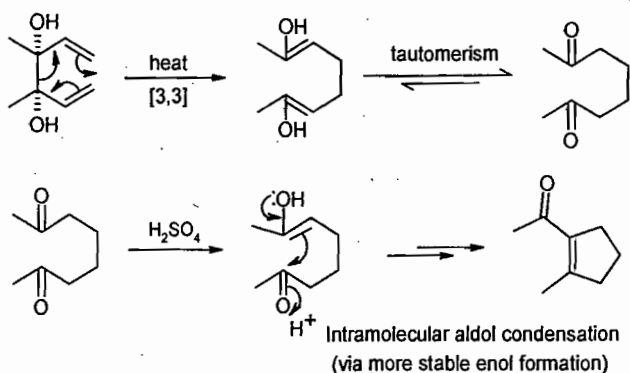


- 42) Ans (a):- It is an example of intramolecular ene reaction to give a ring product with cis ring junction.

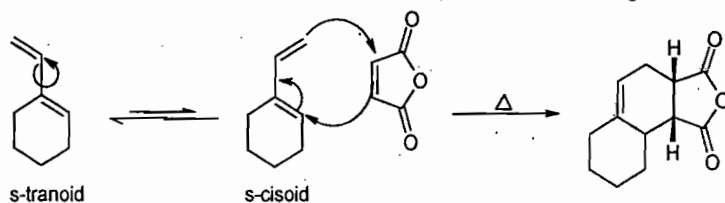




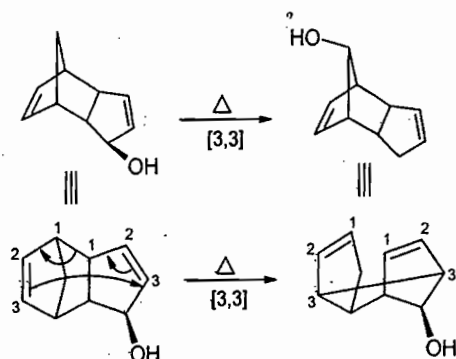
- 43) Ans (a):- It is an example of [3,3] sigmatropic rearrangement (oxy-Cope rearrangement) to form 2,7-octanedione. The next step is acid catalyzed intramolecular aldol condensation of 2,7-octanedione to form more stable five membered ring & not seven membered ring.



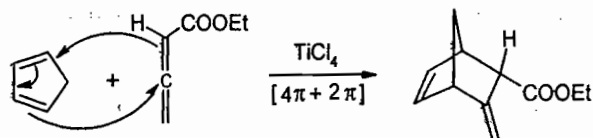
- 44) Ans (a):- Cycloaddition is only possible between a s-cisoid conjugated diene & dienophile or s-transoid which can isomerizes into the s-cisoid. Whereas cyclic s-transoid (b, c & d) is locked in an s-trans conformation & can't isomerizes into s-cisoid due to restriction in rotation of single bond in cyclic system.



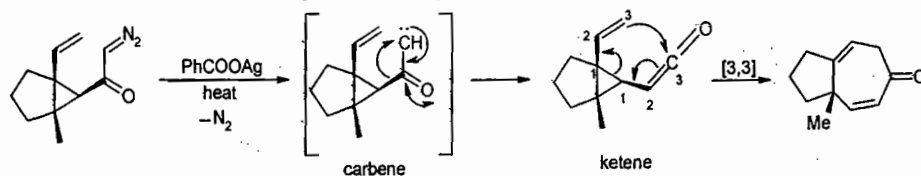
- 45) Ans (d):- [3,3]-sigmatropic shift



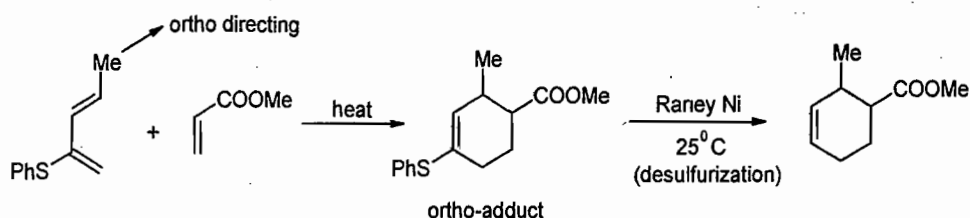
- 46) Ans (c):- It is Diels-Alder reaction of  $4\pi + 2\pi$  system in the presence of the Lewis acid (here  $\text{TiCl}_4$ ) which increases reactivity of dienophile by making it more electron deficient towards diene & reaction can be carried out at lower temperatures (below  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ). It also improves the regioselectivity of reaction. Now there are two possible products i.e. *exo* and *endo*. But *endo* product is preferred in irreversible Diels-Alder reactions as transition state during formation of *endo* product is extra stabilized by secondary interaction of orbitals.



- 47) Ans (d):- Wolff rearrangement is a useful reaction of diazocarbonyl compounds (not involving carbenes) to give ketene followed by cyclization by electrophilic attack on suitably situated carbon-carbon double bonds or aromatic rings. The Wolff rearrangement is normally effected by heat, photolysis or with a metal salt, often a silver(I) salt.



**48) Ans (a):-** Regioselectivity in Diels-Alder reactions:-Diels-Alder reactions are highly ortho/para selective & it depends on a position of electron donating group on diene. In the next step Raney Ni removes sulfur atom (desulfurization)



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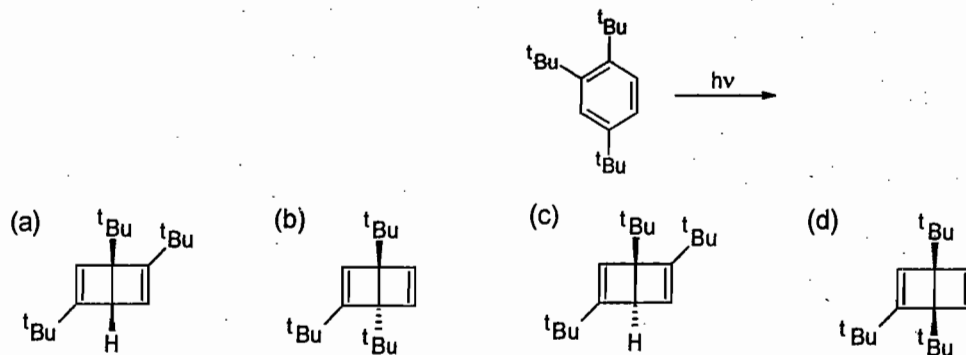
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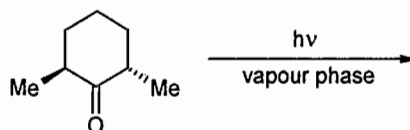
7) The major product formed in the following photochemical reaction is

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8) The cyclic product(s) of the following photochemical reaction is (are)

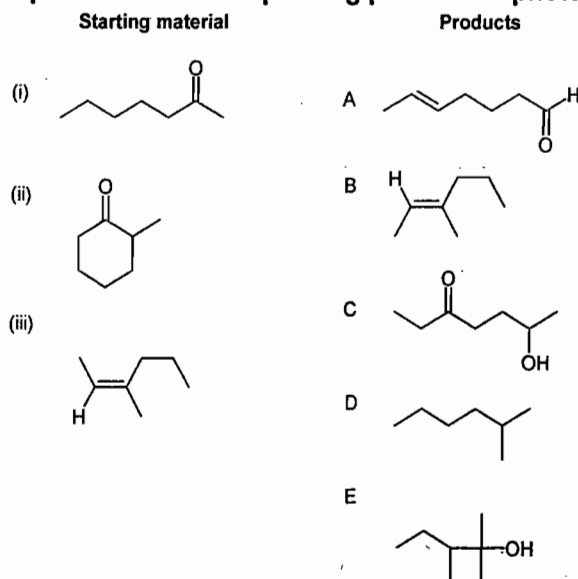
[Dec 2014]



- (a) Only cis-1,2-dimethylcyclopentane (b) Only trans-1,2-dimethylcyclopentane  
 (c) a mixture of cis and trans-1,2-dimethylcyclopentane (d) Only 2,6-dimethylcyclohexanol

**Questions with four marks**

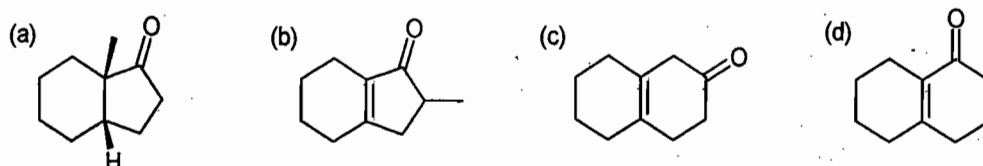
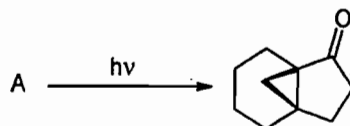
9) Match the following starting compounds with corresponding products in photochemical reactions [Dec 2011]



- (a) (i)-(E) (ii)-(A) (iii)-(B) (b) (i)-(A) (ii)-(C) (iii)-(B) (c) (i)-(D) (ii)-(C) (iii)-(A) (d) (i)-(E) (ii)-(A) (iii)-(D)

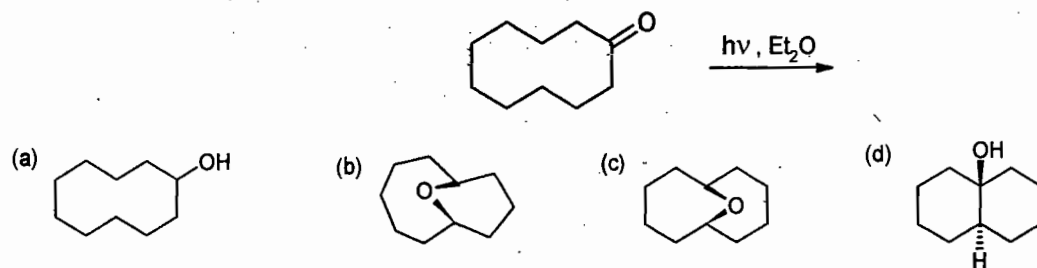
10) Structure of the starting material A in the following photochemical Norrish reaction, is

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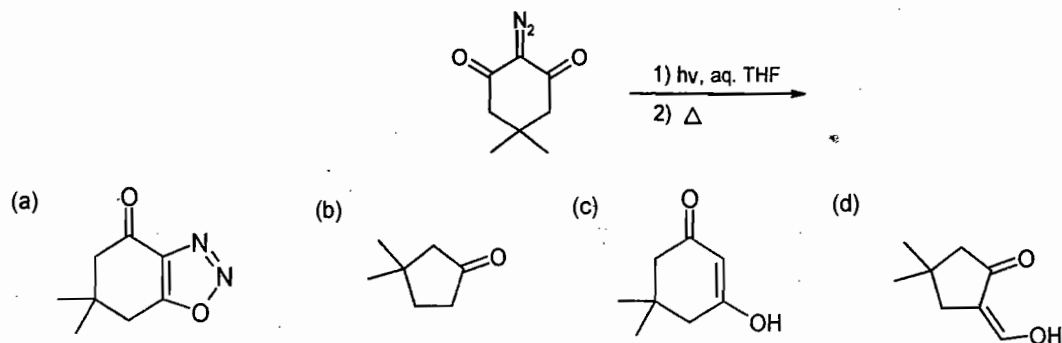
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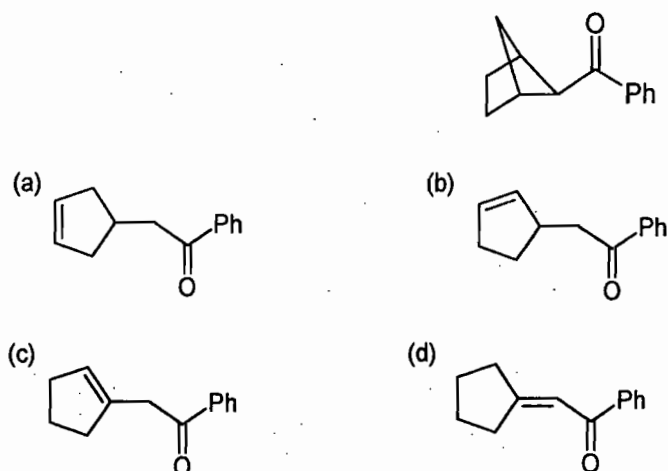
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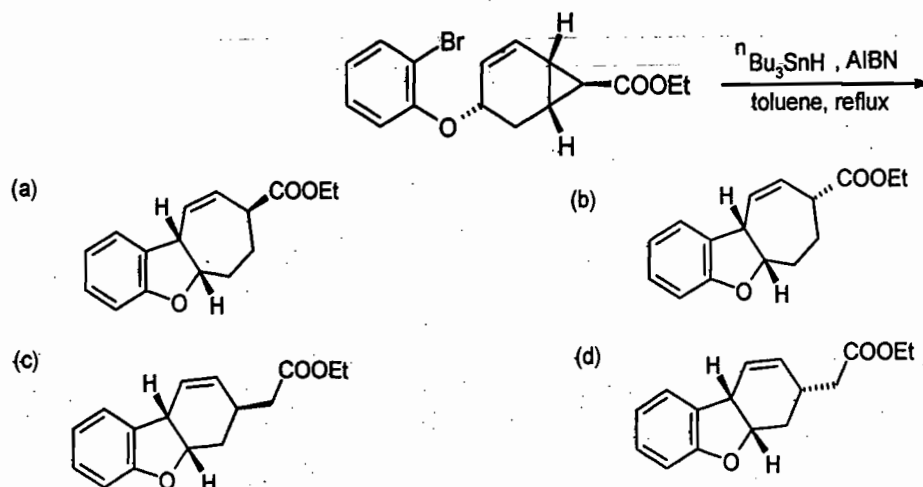
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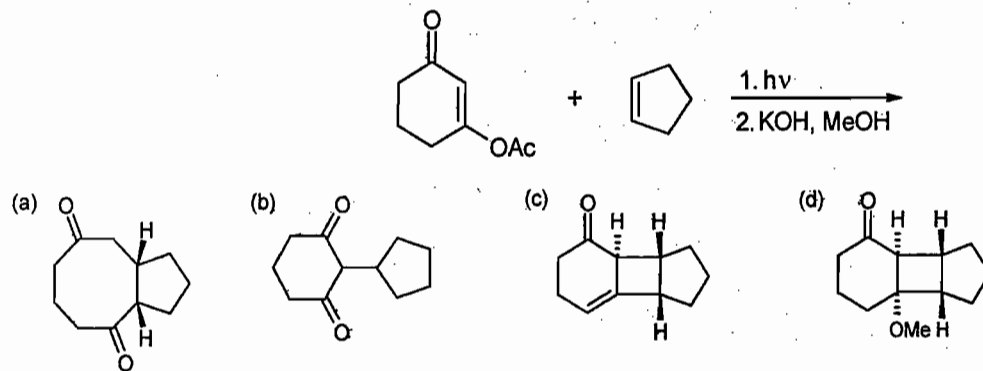
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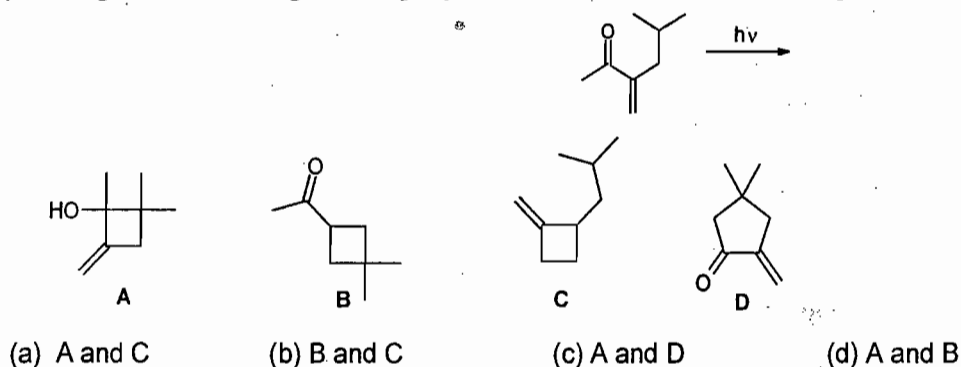


15) The major product formed in the following reaction sequence is

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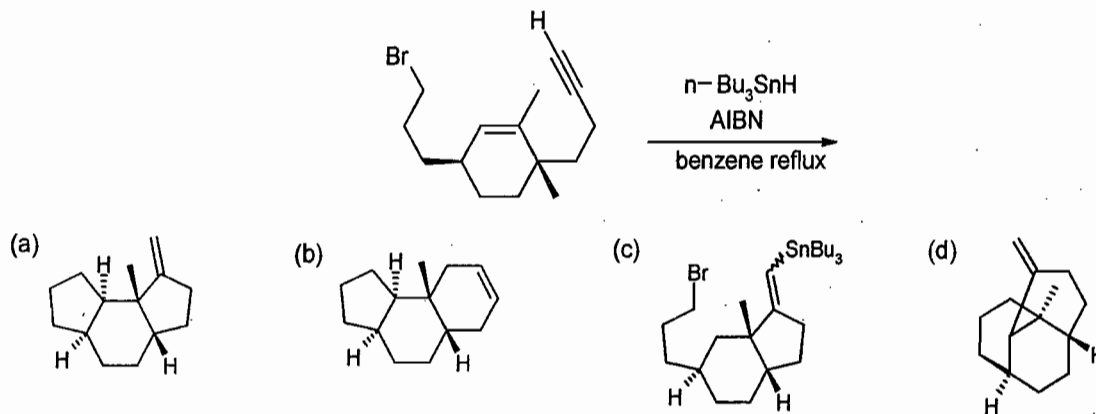


16) Amongst the following, the major products formed in the following photochemical reaction are [June 2014]



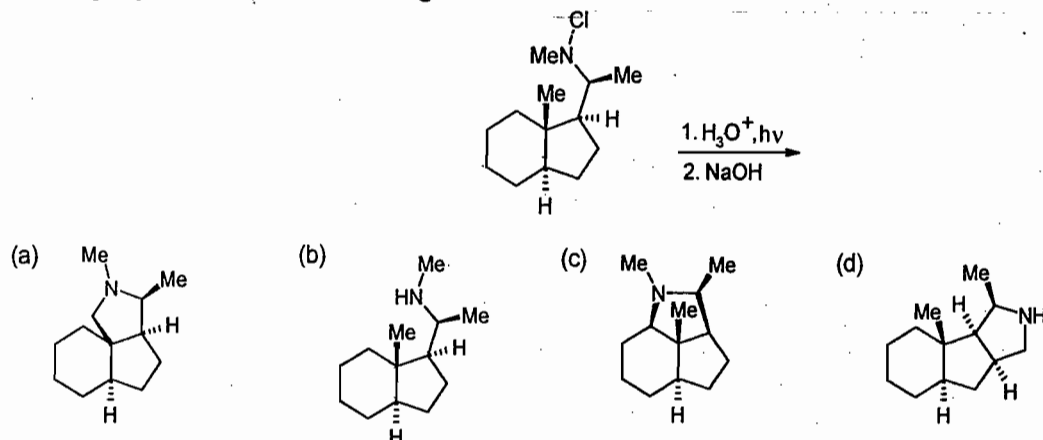
17) The major product formed in the following reaction

[June 2014]



18) The major product of the following reaction is

[Dec 2014]

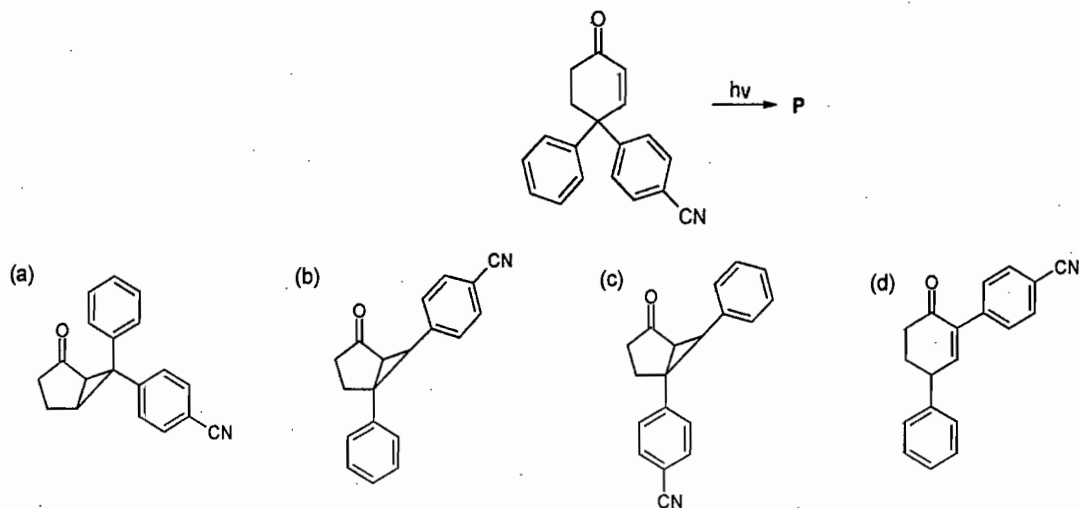


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**Questions with ONE OR TWO marks**

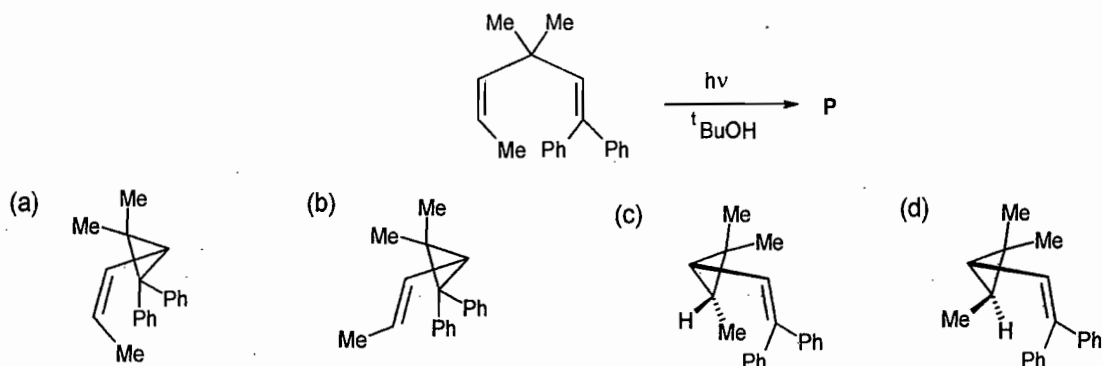
19) The major product P formed in the following photochemical reaction is

(GATE 2005)



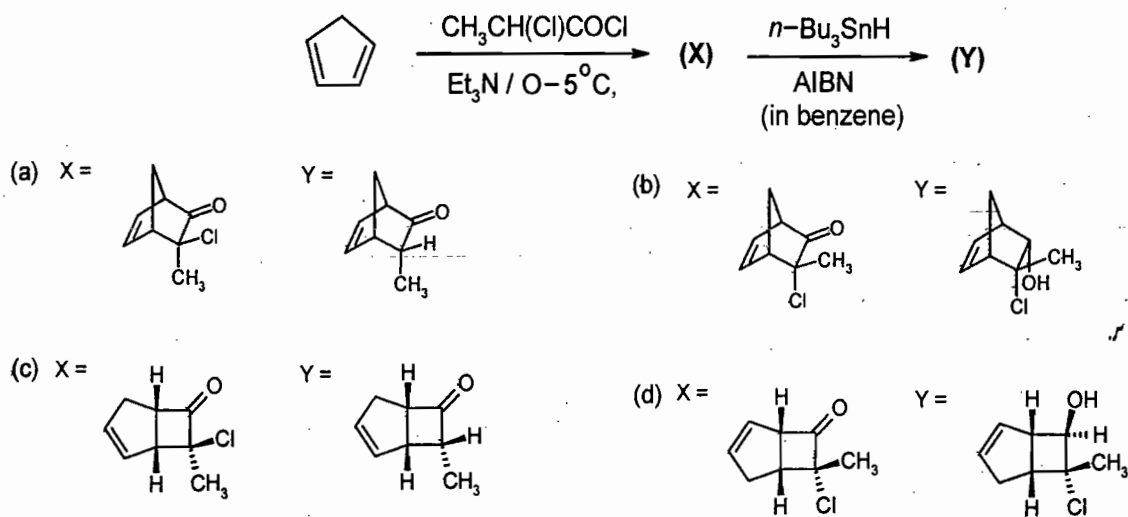
20) Identify the major product (P) in the following reaction

(GATE 2006)



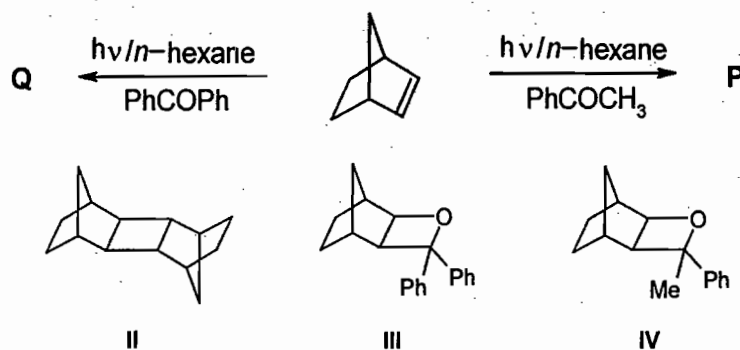
21) The major products X and Y formed in the following reaction sequence are

(GATE 2006)



22) Identify the major product (P) and (Q) in the following reactions from the list of compounds I to IV

[GATE 2006]



(a) P : I and Q : II

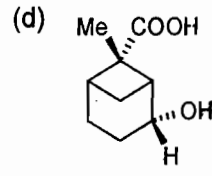
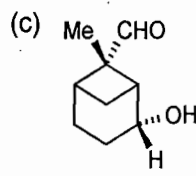
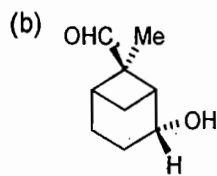
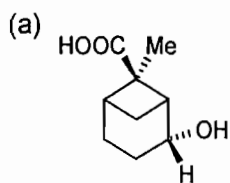
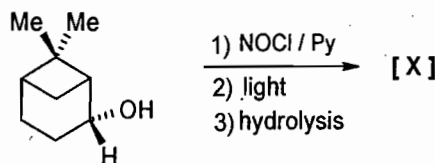
(b) P : II and Q : III

(c) P : IV and Q : II

(d) P : IV and Q : III

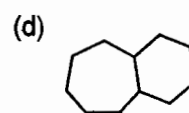
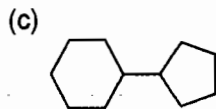
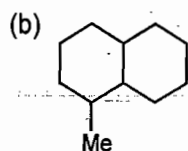
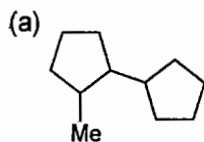
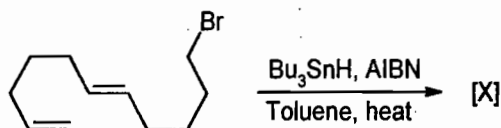
23) In the following reaction sequence the major product X

[GATE 2010]



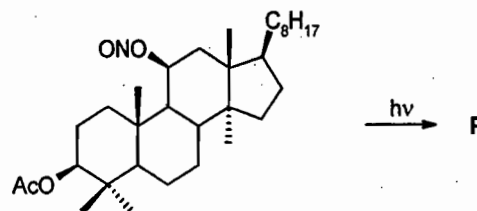
24) In the following reaction the major product [X] is

[GATE 2011]

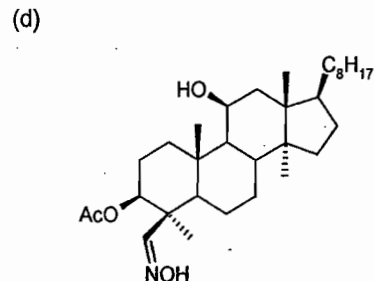
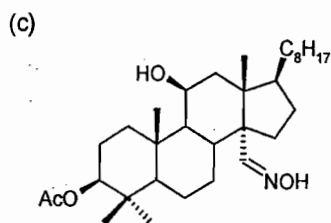
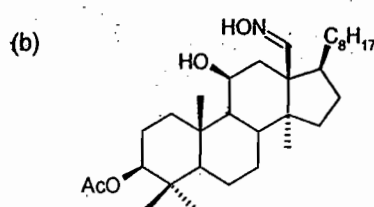
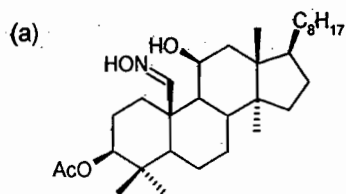


25) Identify the product from the following reaction

[GATE 2012]

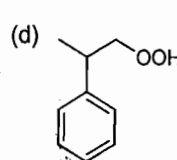
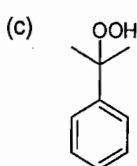
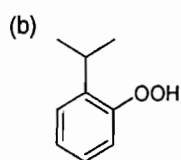
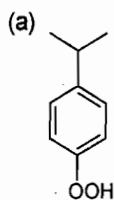
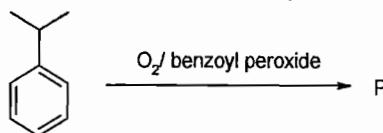






26) Identify the most probable product in the given reaction

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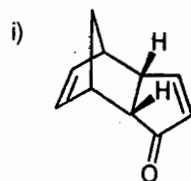


27) Match the compounds in the column I with the photochemical reactions that they can undergo given in the column II

[GATE 2013]

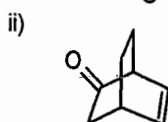
Column I

Column II



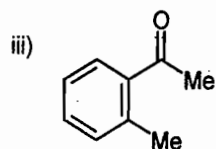
(p) oxa-di-pi methane rearrangement

(q) Paterno Buchi reaction



(r) Intramolecular [2 + 2] cycloaddition

(s) photoenolisation



(a) (i)-(q); (ii)-(s); (iii)-(p)

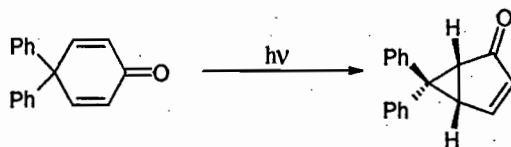
(b) (i)-(r); (ii)-(p); (iii)-(s)

(c) (i)-(p); (ii)-(r); (iii)-(q)

(d) (i)-(r); (ii)-(q); (iii)-(s)

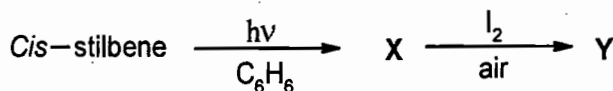
28) Formation of the product in the following photochemical reaction involves

[GATE 2014]



- (a) di- $\pi$ -methane rearrangement  
 (b) Paterno-Buchi reaction  
 (c) [2,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement  
 (d) Norrish type I reaction

29) The major products X and Y formed in the following reaction sequence are [GATE 2014]



- (a) X = Y =   
 (b) X = Y =   
 (c) X = Y =   
 (d) X = Y =

Answer Key

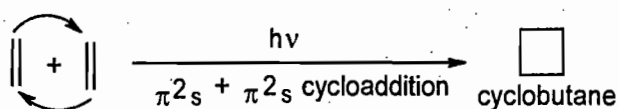
Topic 19:- Photochemistry

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| 1  | b | 2  | a | 3  | b | 4  | b | 5  | b | 6  | d | 7  | a | 8  | c | 9  | a | 10 | c |
| 11 | d | 12 | b | 13 | b | 14 | d | 15 | a | 16 | d | 17 | a | 18 | a | 19 | b | 20 | a |
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Hint & solutions

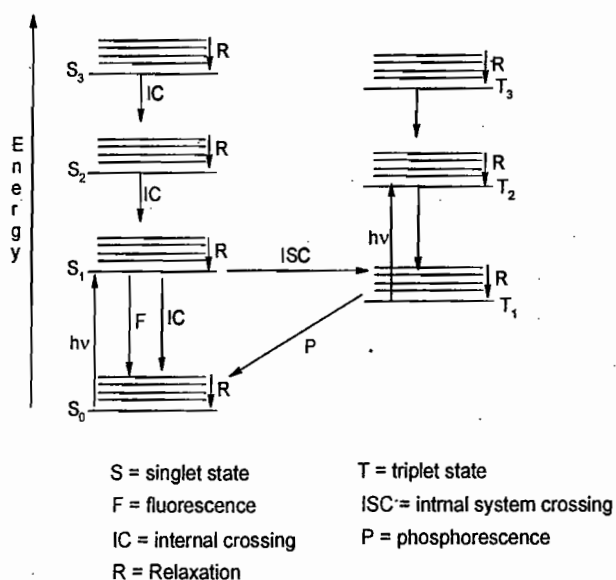
1) Ans (b):- First step is the concerted  $\pi 2_s + \pi 2_s$  cycloaddition under photochemical condition between two olefins leading to a cyclobutane ring is. Selection rule:-

| System | Thermally                  | Photochemically            |
|--------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 4n     | supra-antra or antra-supra | Supra-supra or antra-antra |
| 4n+2   | Supra-supra or antra-antra | supra-antra or antra-supra |



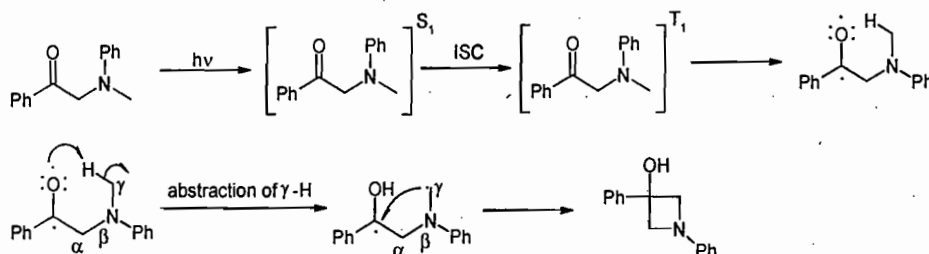
2) Ans (a):- "Phosphorescence" is represented as  $T_1 \rightarrow S_0 + h\nu$

A Jablonski diagram



| Process                       | Transition                                     |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Light Absorption (Excitation) | $S_0 \rightarrow S_n$                          |
| Internal Conversion           | $S_n \rightarrow S_1$                          |
| Vibrational Relaxation        | $S_n^* \rightarrow S_n + \Delta$               |
| Intersystem Crossing          | $S_1 \rightarrow T_1 + \Delta$                 |
| Fluorescence                  | $S_1 \rightarrow S_0$                          |
| Phosphorescence               | $T_1 \rightarrow S_0 + h\nu$                   |
| Non-Radiative Decay           | $S_1 \rightarrow S_0$<br>$T_1 \rightarrow S_0$ |

3) Ans (b):- It is a Norrish Type II cleavage reaction, involves intramolecular abstraction of the  $\gamma$  hydrogen followed by cyclization of diradical to give a cyclobutanol.



4) Ans (b):- According to Beer's Law;  $A = \epsilon bc$

Where A is absorbance

e is the molar absorptivity with units of  $L \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$

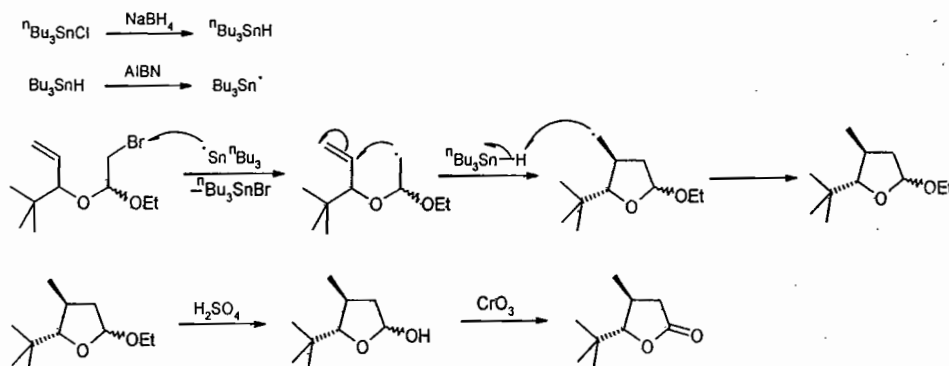
b is the path length of the sample - that is, the path length of the cuvette (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )

c is the concentration of the compound in solution, expressed in  $\text{mol L}^{-1}$

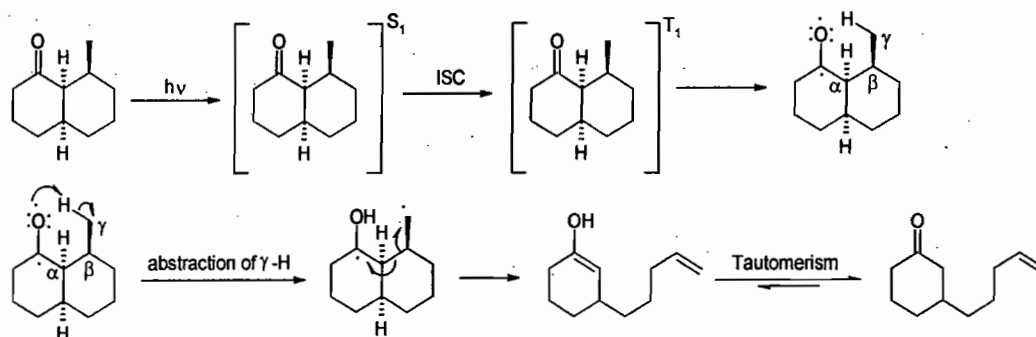
Thus among given option:- very high concentration of analyte & association of analyte or dissociation of analyte are associated with concentration of the compound in solution so they may cause the deviation from the Beer's law ( $A = \epsilon bc$ )

5) Ans (b):- In  $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnH}$ ; the Sn-H bond is weak and  $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnH}$  will react with alkyl halides to replace the halogen atom with H, producing  $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnHal}$  as a by-product.

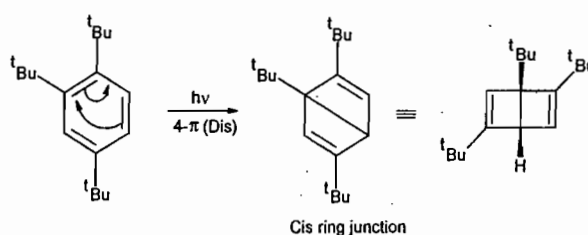
Note: - A formation of five membered ring is more favourable & adopts the more stable *trans* geometry.



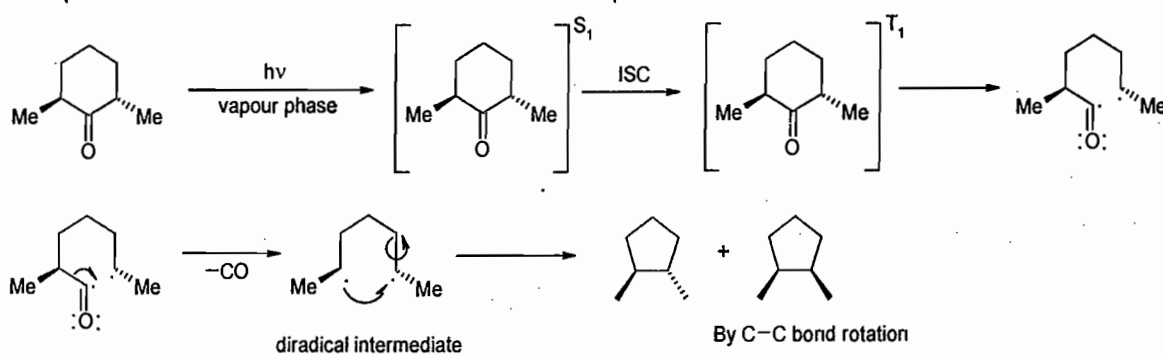
6) Ans (d):- It is a Norrish Type II cleavage reaction. Reaction involves intramolecular abstraction of the  $\gamma$ -hydrogen followed by cleavage of the resulting diradical to give an enol that tautomerizes to the aldehyde or ketone product



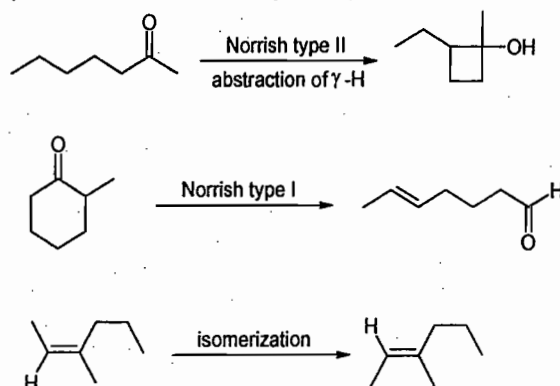
7) Ans (a):- This is an example of disrotatory electrocyclic ring closure of 1,2,4-tri-tert-butylbenzene via photolysis to give 1,2,5-tri-tert-butyl[2.2.0]hexadiene (a Dewar benzene) with cis ring junction..



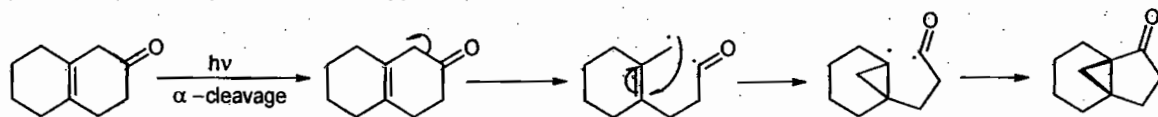
8) Ans (c):- It is an example of Norrish Type I decarbonylation reaction in which the acyl radical  $\text{RCO}^\cdot$  can then lose  $\text{CO}$  to give  $\text{R}^\cdot$  radicals (diradical triplet) intermediate. This diradical (triplet) intermediate must wait until one of the spins inverts so that the  $\text{C}-\text{C}$  bond can be formed & time required for this process is more than the time required for  $\text{C}-\text{C}$  bond rotation & result in a mixed product.



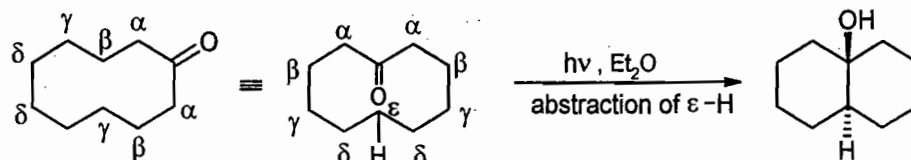
9) Ans (a):- Note:- Norrish Type I is slow reaction when  $\alpha$ -cleavage leads to relatively unstable radical ( $^\cdot\text{Ph}$ ,  $^\cdot\text{CH}_3$ , primary  $^\cdot\text{R}$ ) or when  $\gamma$ -H available in carbonyl compound.



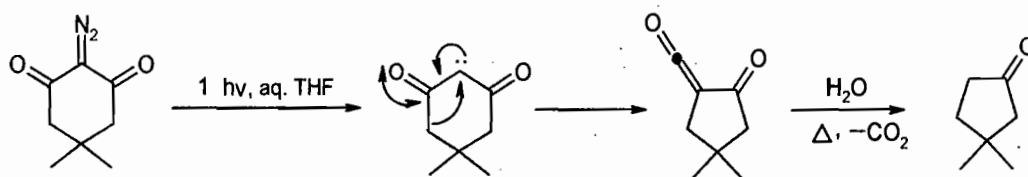
10) Ans (c):- It is an example of Norrish Type I reaction



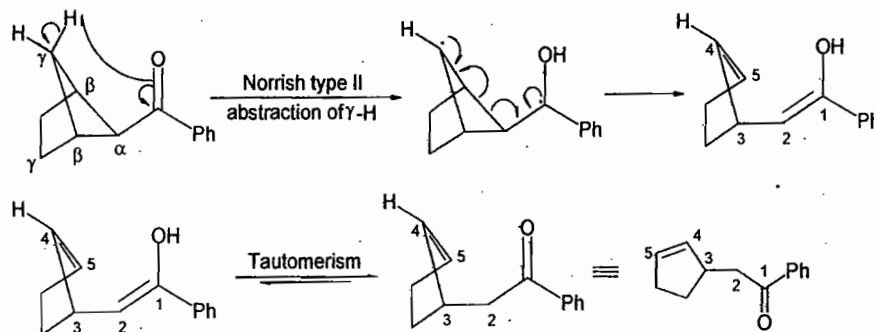
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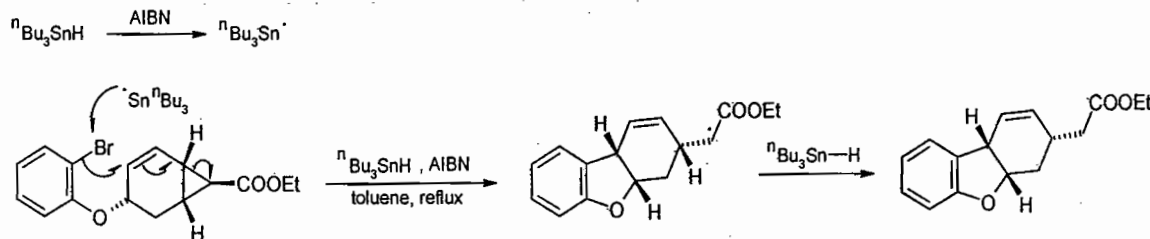
12) Ans (b):- It is a rearrangement of carbene formed by loss of  $N_2$  from diazoketone to give ketene which cannot be isolated but is hydrolysed under aqueous condition & undergo subsequent decarboxylation.



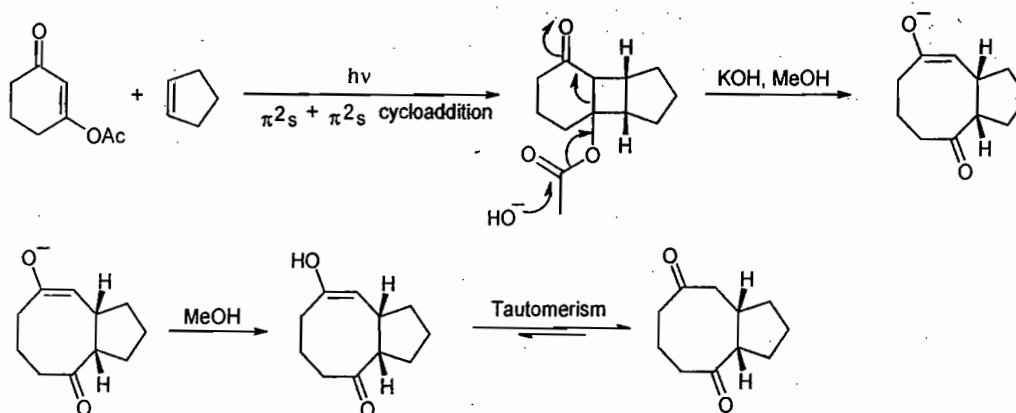
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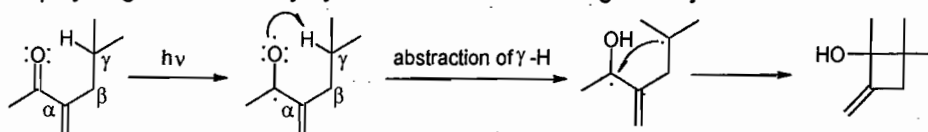
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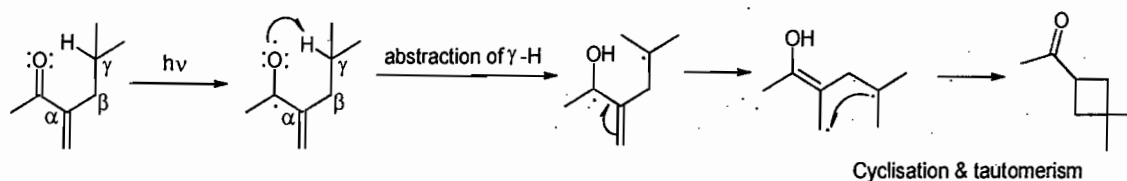
15) Ans (a):- First step is the concerted  $\pi_2s + \pi_2s$  cycloaddition under photochemical condition between two olefins leading to a cyclobutane ring. Second step is rearrangement under basic condition.



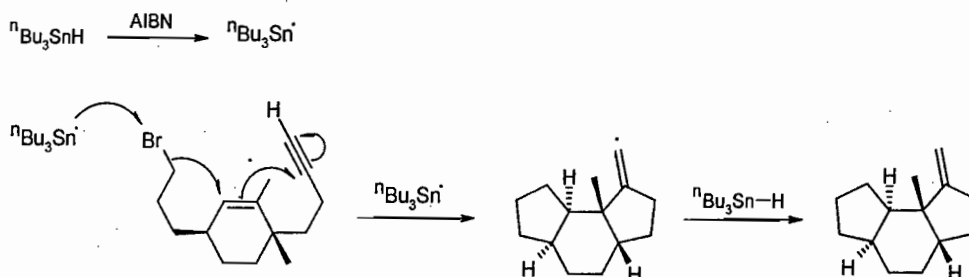
**16) Ans (d):-** Formation of product (a) is a Norrish Type II cleavage reaction, involves intramolecular abstraction of the  $\gamma$  hydrogen followed by cyclization of diradical to give a cyclobutanol.



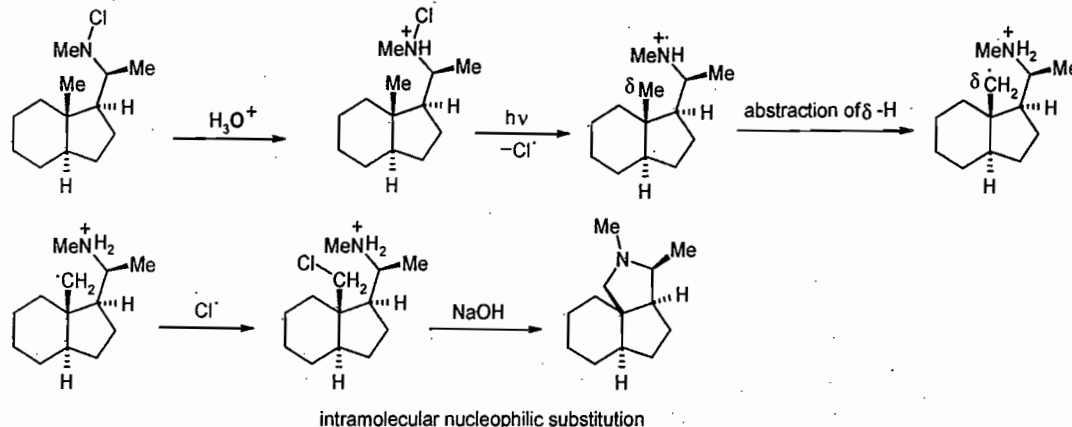
Formation of product (b) is also a Norrish Type II cleavage reaction. Reaction involves intramolecular abstraction of the  $\gamma$ -hydrogen followed by cyclization of rearranged diradical to give a rearranged product



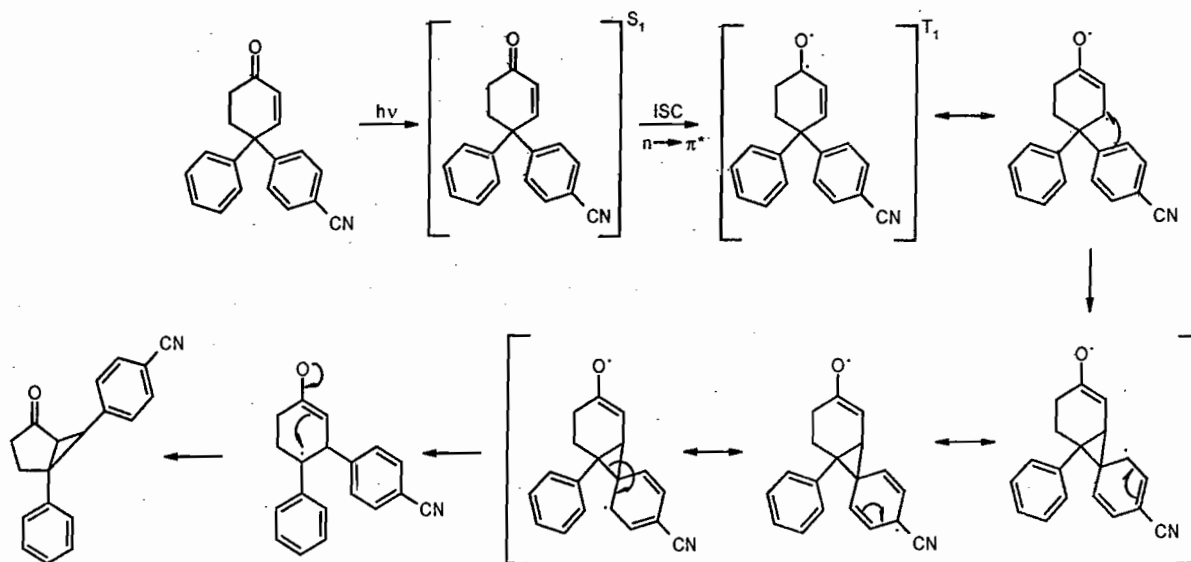
**17) Ans (a):-** In  $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnH}$ ; the Sn-H bond is weak and  $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnH}$  reacts with alkyl halides to replace the halogen atom with H, producing  $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnHal}$  as a by-product. A formation of five membered ring is more favourable & the rate of radical cyclization to give a six membered or larger ring is considerably slower than that to a five-membered ring.



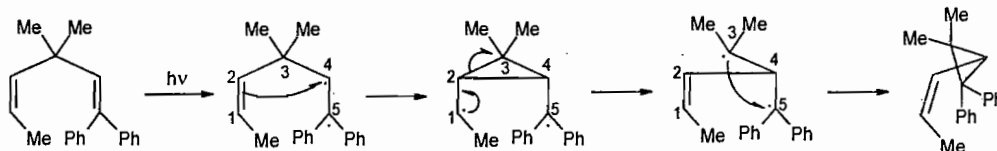
**18) Ans (a):-** It is an example of the *Hofmann-Loeffler-Freytag* reaction. Reaction involves photolytically initiated decomposition of N-haloamines in acidic solution, to give  $\delta$ -haloamines. But formed  $\delta$ -haloamines are usually converted to pyrrolidines by intramolecular nucleophilic substitution in basic condition



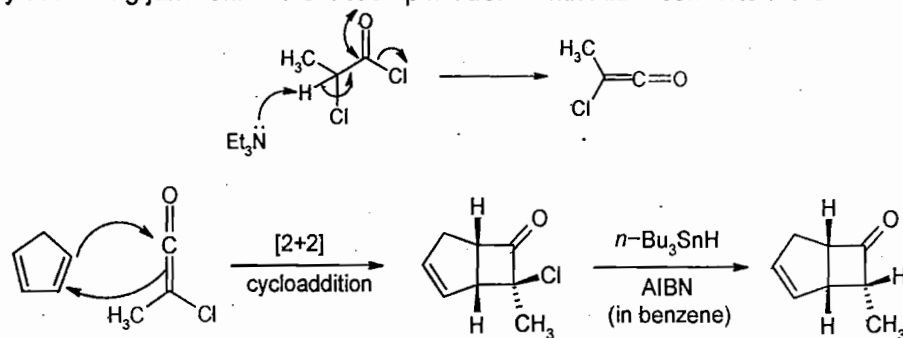
19) Ans (b):- It is Di- $\pi$ -methane rearrangement. 4,4-diaryl systems undergoes this type of rearrangement. If two aryl groups are different; the aryl group which stabilizes the radical effectively will migrate preferentially.



20) Ans (a):- It is an example of the di- $\pi$ -methane rearrangement:- 1,4-Dienes carrying alkyl or aryl substituents on C-3 can be photochemically rearranged to vinylcyclopropanes. Reaction occurs via a more stable free radical.



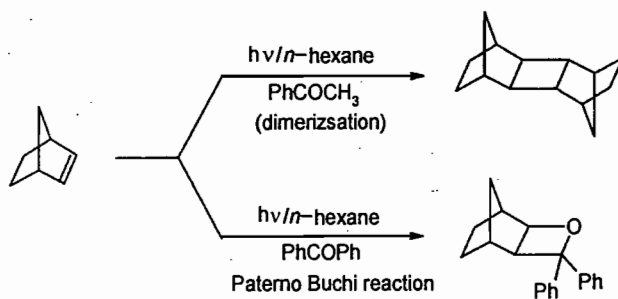
21) Ans (c):- First step is ketene formation which undergoes [2+2] cycloaddition rather than [4+2] cycloaddition & form the cis-geometry at the ring junction. In the last step *n*-Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH with AIBN converts the C-Cl bond into C-H bond



22) Ans (b):- If the energy of the triplet excited state of carbonyl compound is less than the energy of the triplet excited state of olefinic compound then Paterno-Buchi Reaction take place.

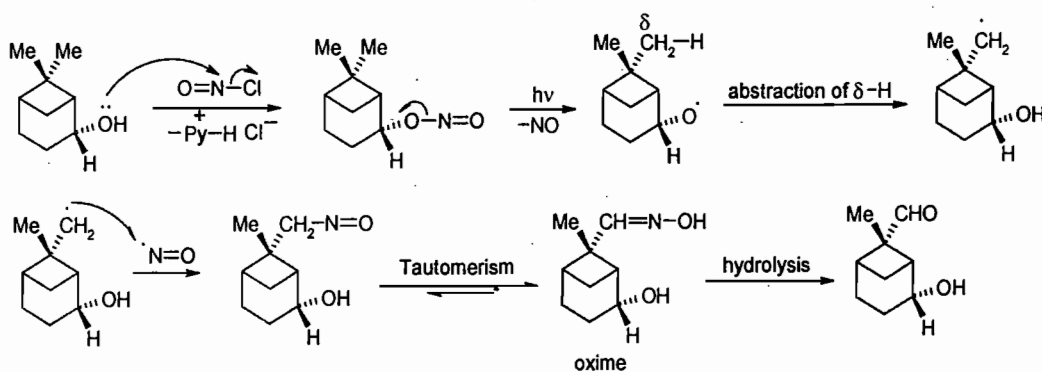
If the energy of the triplet excited state of carbonyl compound is more than the energy of the triplet excited state of olefinic compound then Dimerization of olefins take place.

| Molecule         | <chem>H2C=CH2</chem> | <chem>CC=O</chem> | <chem>CC(=O)C</chem> | <chem>CC(=O)c1ccccc1</chem> | <chem>C1=CC=C2C=CC12</chem> | <chem>O=C(c1ccccc1)c2ccccc2</chem> |
|------------------|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| $E_T$ (kcal/mol) | 84                   | 80                | 78                   | 74                          | 72                          | 69                                 |

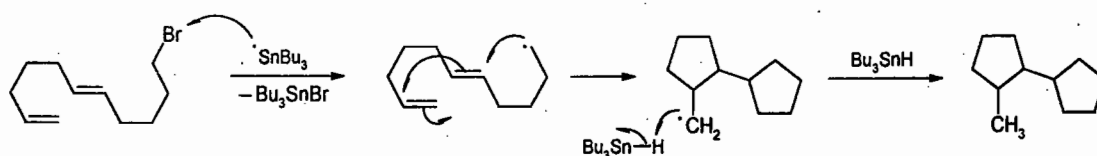


**23) Ans (c):-** It is an example of the Barton reaction. In reaction the alcohol is first converted to the nitrite ester. Photolysis of the nitrite results in conversion of the nitrite group to the OH group and nitrosation of the methyl group. Hydrolysis of the oxime tautomer gives the aldehyde.

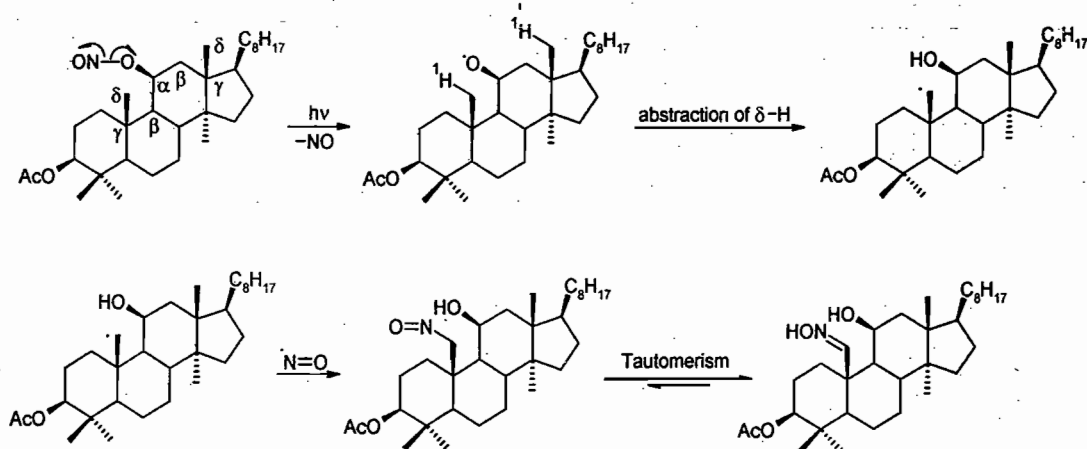
**Stereoselectivity:-** Abstraction intramolecular  $\delta$ -hydrogen atom from the methyl group which is to the same face of alcohol.



**24) Ans (a):-** The rate of radical cyclization to give a six membered or larger ring is considerably slower than that to a five-membered ring

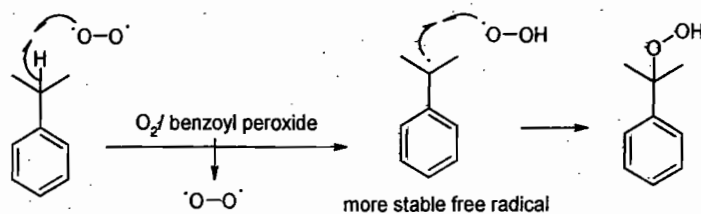


**25) Ans (a):-** It is an example of the Barton reaction. The photolytic conversion of organic nitrites into nitroso compounds. Reaction involve photolysis of an organic nitrite ( $\text{R}-\text{O}-\text{N}=\text{O}$ ) gives an alkoxy radical and nitrogen monoxide. Subsequent intramolecular  $\delta$ -hydrogen atom abstraction is followed by capture of nitrogen monoxide by the carbon radical and formation of a nitrosoalcohol, The product formed by abstraction of  $\delta$ -<sup>1</sup>hydrogen (activated) is more than the product formed by abstraction of  $\delta$ -<sup>1</sup>hydrogen

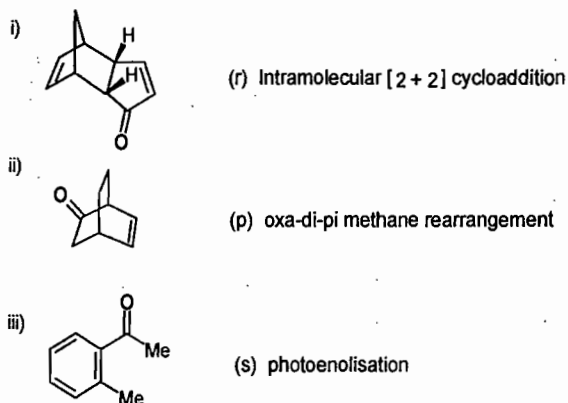




26) Ans (c):- oxygen diradical forms and add to benzylic that is stable free-radical.

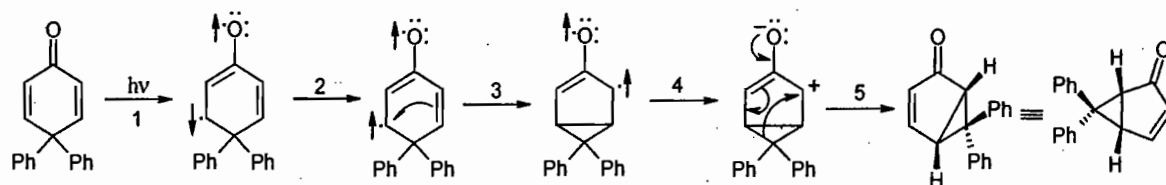


27) Ans (b):- The correct match is:-

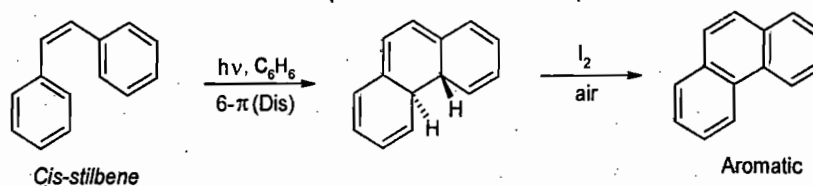


28) Ans (a):- It is photolyzed, rearrangement of 2,5-cyclohexadienones to give bicyclo[3.1.0]hexenone  
It is same as the di-pi-methane rearrangement

Step 1 & 2 is singlet & triplet state after  $n-\pi^*$  transition. Step 3 is a rearrangement from one excited state to another. Step 4 is  $\pi^*-n$  electron demotion. Step 5 is migration of alkyl to a carbocation center



29) Ans (a):- Electrocyclic ring closure of  $(4n+2)\pi$  system under photochemical conditions is conrotatory. Conrotatory ring closure of this reactant causes the hydrogens to be trans in the ring closed product. polycyclic aromatic structure result on a subsequent oxidation of the product



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## Topic 20

# HETEROCYCLIC COMPOUNDS

### Questions with two marks

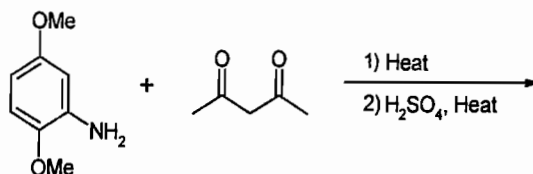
1) With respect to electrophilic aromatic substitution, reactivity order of pyrrole, pyridine and indole is

[Dec 2011]

- (a) indole > pyrrole > pyridine                      (b) pyrrole > pyridine > indole  
 (c) pyrrole > indole > pyridine                    (d) indole > pyridine > pyrrole

2) The major product formed in the following reaction is

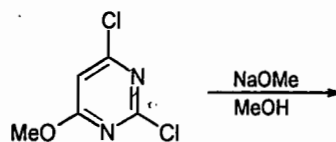
[Dec 2013]



- (a) COc1cc2c(c1)cc(C(=O)CC)c2N      (b) COc1cc2c(c1)cc(C(=O)CC)c2  
 (c) COc1cc2c(c1)nc(C)c2                      (d) COc1cc2c(c1)cc(N)c2O

3) The major product formed in the following reaction is

[Dec 2013]



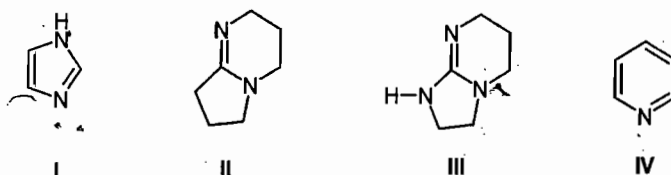
- (a) COc1nc(Cl)c(Cl)n1      (b) COc1nc(Cl)c(OC)n1  
 (c) COc1nc(Cl)c(OC)n1                      (d) COc1nc(Cl)c(OC)n1

4) The major product formed in the reaction of 2,5-hexanedione with  $\text{P}_2\text{O}_5$  is

- (a) CC1=CC=C(C)O1      (b) CC1=CC=C(C)O1  
 (c) CC(=O)CCC(=O)C=C(C)CC(=O)C                      (d) CC(=O)CCC(=O)C=C(C)CC(=O)C

5) The decreasing order of basicity of the following compounds is

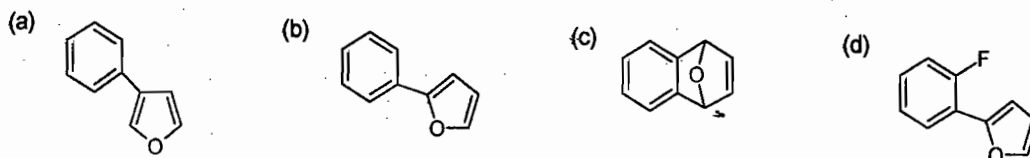
[Dec 2014]



- (a) I > II > III > IV      (b) IV > I > II > III      (c) III > II > I > IV      (d) IV > III > II > I

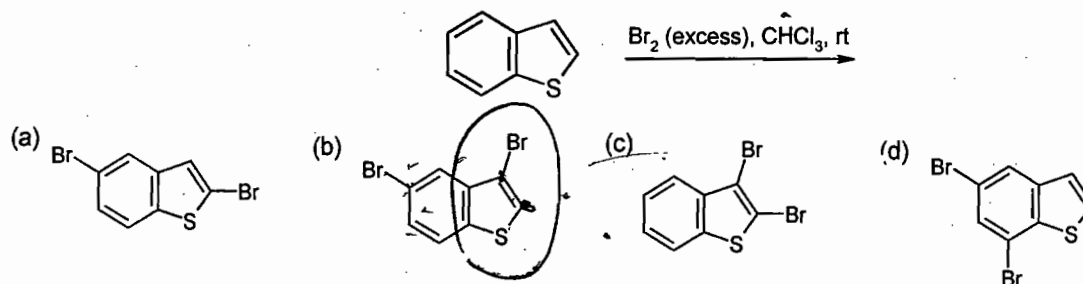
6) The reaction of 1-bromo-2-fluorobenzene with furan in the presence of one equivalent of Mg gives

[Dec 2014]



7) The major product of the following reaction is

[Dec 2014]



Questions with four marks

8) Match the following

[June 2011]

| Column I                | Column II          |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| A. Pyrrole              | i. Pictet-Spengler |
| B. 1, 4-dihydropyridine | ii. Chichibabin    |
| C. Isoquinoline         | iii. Paal-Knorr    |
|                         | iv. Hantzsch       |

(a) (A)-i (B)-ii (C)-iii

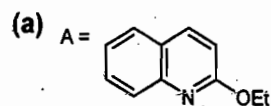
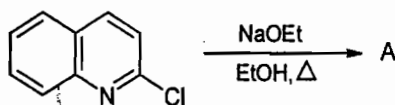
(b) (A)-ii (B)-iii (C)-iv

(c) (A)-iv (B)-i (C)-ii

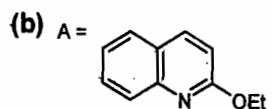
(d) (A)-iii (B)-iv (C)-i

9) In the following reaction, the product formed and the mechanism involved is

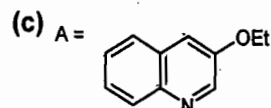
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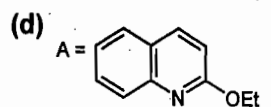
& is formed by addition - elimination mechanism



& is formed by benzyne mechanism



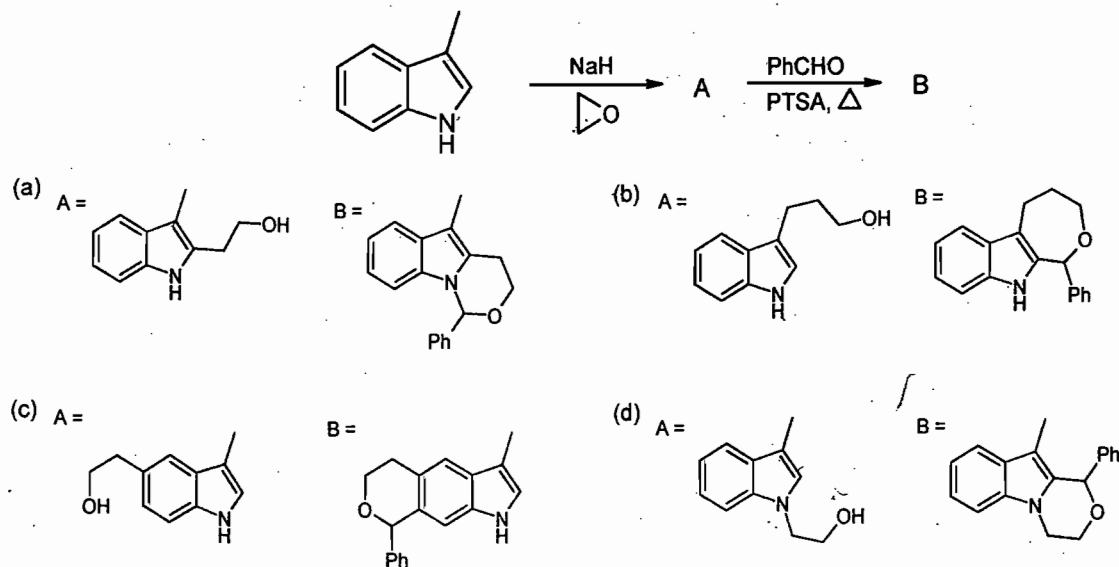
& is formed by benzyne mechanism



& is formed by  $S_N2$  displacement

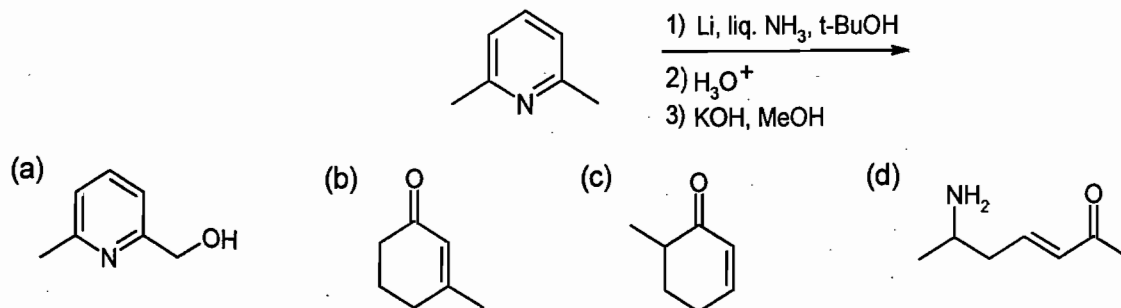
10) The major products A and B formed in the following reaction sequence are

[June 2012]



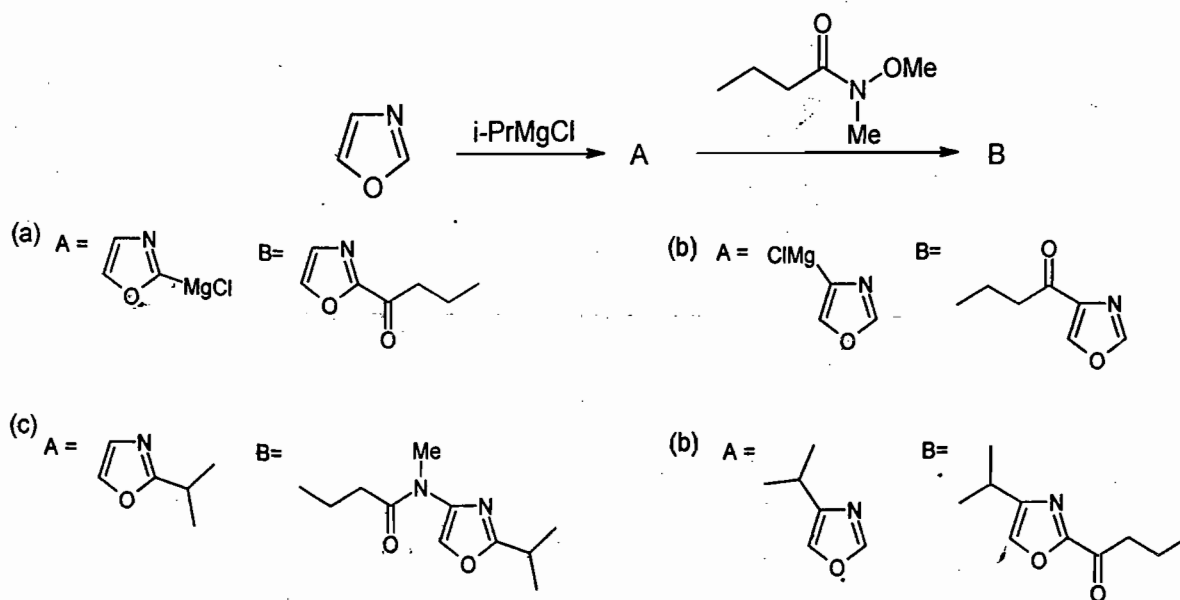
11) The major product formed in the following reaction is:

[Dec 2012]



12) In the following reaction A and B are

[Dec 2012]

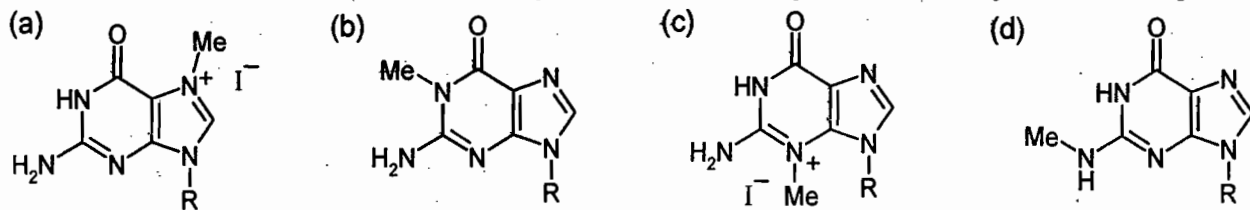


13) The heterocyclic ring present in the amino acid histidine is

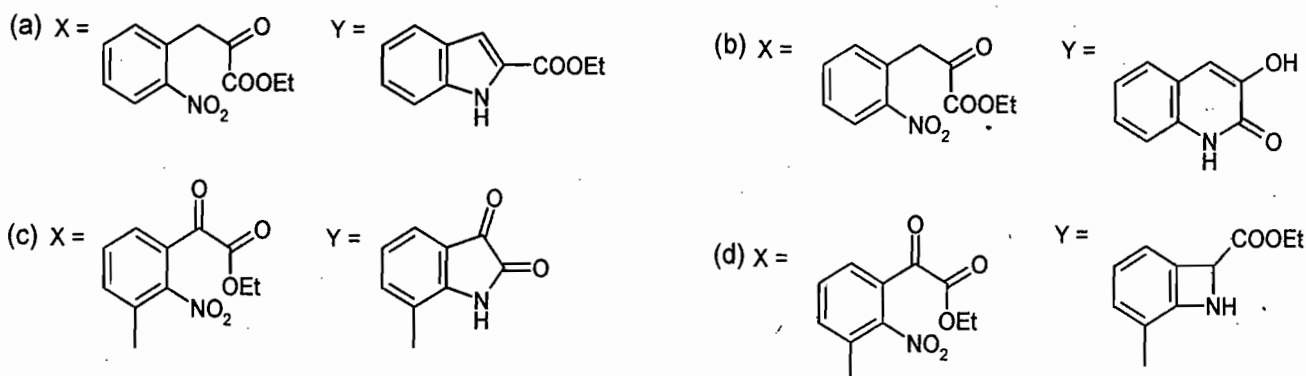
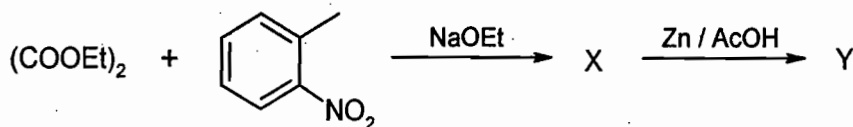
[June 2013]

- (a) pyridine (b) tetrahydropyrrole (c) indole (d) imidazole

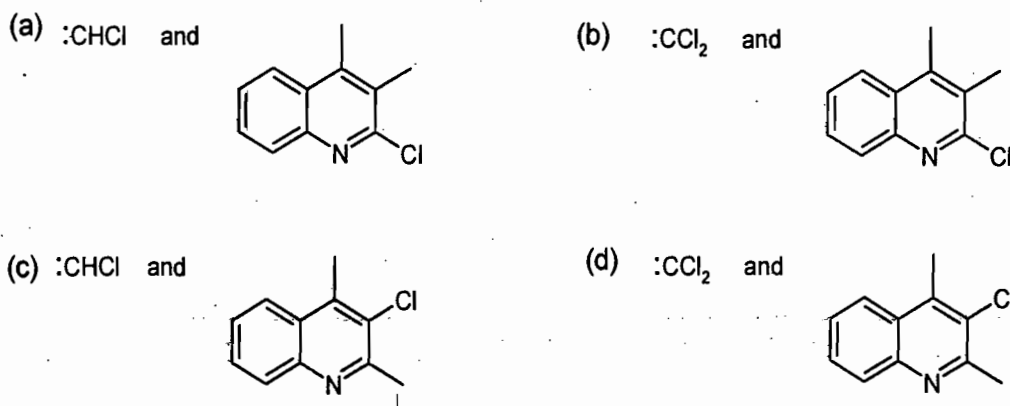
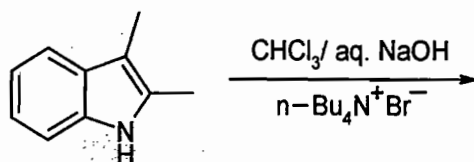
14) The major product formed in the reaction of guanosine with one equivalent of methyl iodide is [June 2013]



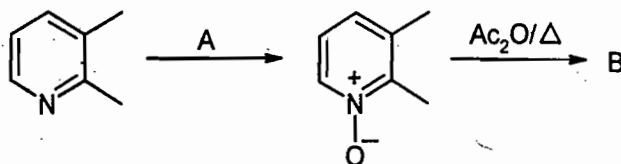
15) In the following reaction sequence, structures of the major product X and Y are [June 2013]

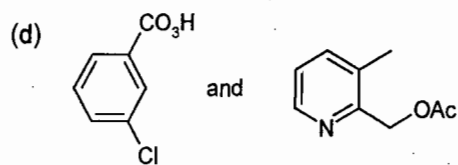
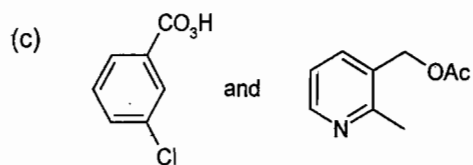
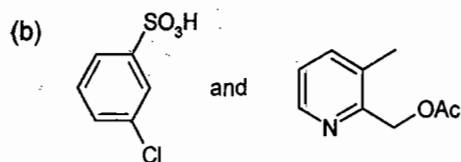
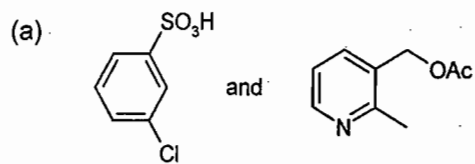


16) In the following reaction, the intermediate and the major product A are [Dec 2013]



17) In the following transformation, the reagent A and the major product B, respectively, are [Dec 2013]





18) The reactive position of nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (NAD) in biological redox reactions is

[Dec 2013]

(a) 2-position of the pyridine ring

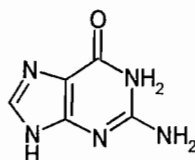
(b) 6-position of the pyridine ring

(c) 4-position of the pyridine ring

(d) 5-position of the pyridine ring

19) In low chloride ion concentration, the anticancer drug cis-platin hydrolyses to give a diaquo complex and this binds to DNA via adjacent guanine

[June 2014]



(guanine)

The coordinating atom of guanine to Pt(II) is

(a) N1

(b) N3

(c) N7

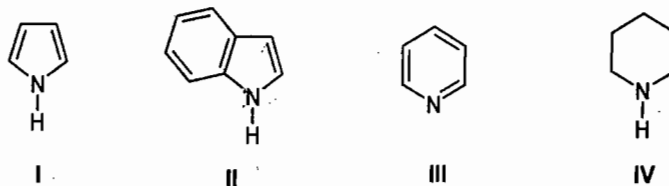
(d) N9

(Questions from GATE EXAM)

Questions with ONE OR TWO marks

20) The correct order of the basicity of the following compounds is

(GATE 2006)



(a) IV > III > II > I

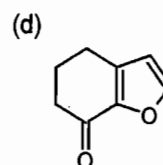
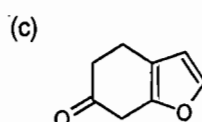
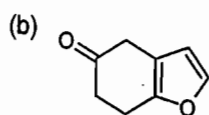
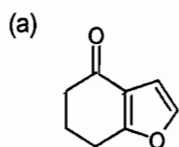
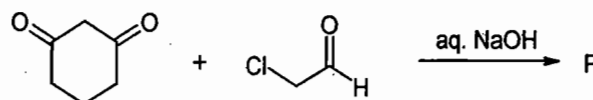
(b) III > IV > II > I

(c) IV > III > I > II

(d) III > IV > I > II

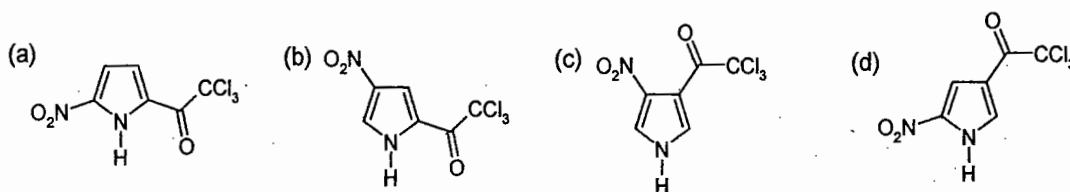
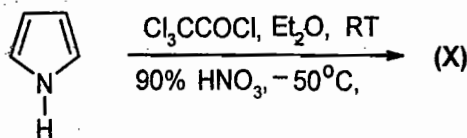
21) Identify the major product P in the following reaction

(GATE 2006)



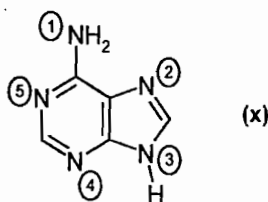
22) Identify the major product (X) in the following two-step reaction

(GATE 2006)



23) The mono protonation of adenine (X) in acidic solution mainly occurs at

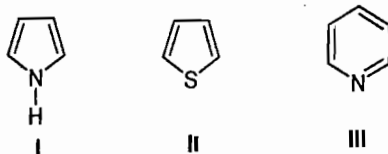
(GATE 2007)



- (a) position 1      (b) position 2      (c) position 3      (d) either position 4 or 5

24) The decreasing order of the reactivity of the following compounds towards electrophiles is

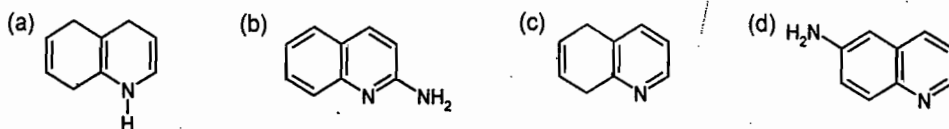
[GATE 2010]



- (a) II > I > III      (b) II > III > I      (c) III > I > II      (d) I > II > III

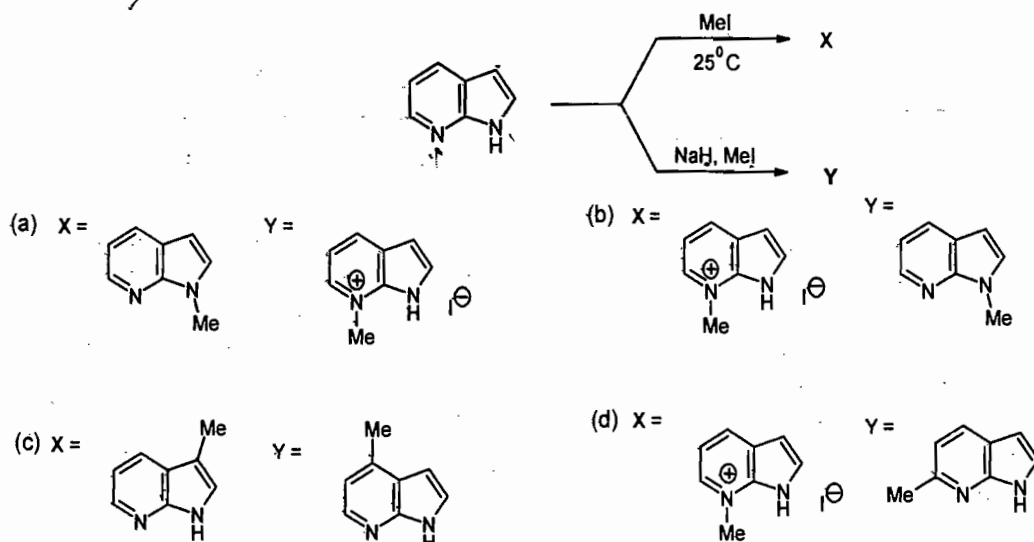
25) The major product formed in the reaction of quinoline with potassium amide (KNH<sub>2</sub>) in liquid ammonia is

[GATE 2013]



26) The major products X and Y formed in the following reactions are

[GATE 2014]



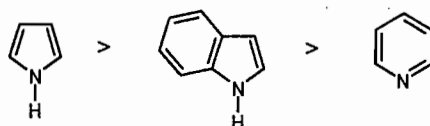
## Answer Key

## Topic 20:-Heterocyclic compounds

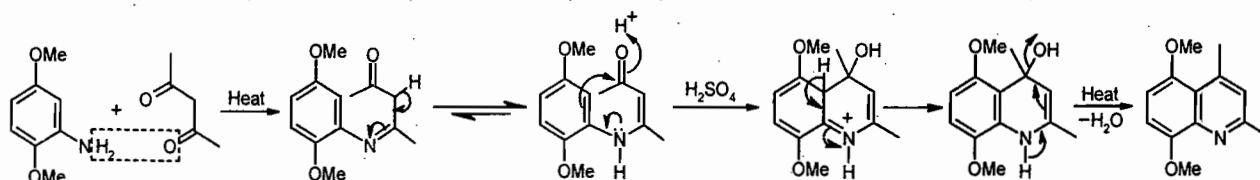
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Hint & solutions

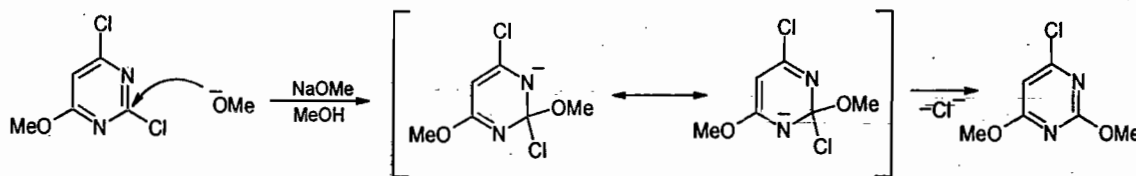
- 1) **Ans (c)**:- Reactivity order of pyrrole, pyridine and indole to electrophilic aromatic substitution is pyrrole > indole > pyridine. Among pyrrole and indole, indole is less reactive than pyrrole because of withdrawing effect of -Ph ring in case of indole. Pyridine is very much less reactive to electrophilic aromatic substitution due to electron-withdrawing nitrogen atom. Pyridine, therefore, is less reactive than benzene. Indeed, it is even less reactive than nitrobenzene. Therefore Reactivity order of pyrrole, pyridine and indole to electrophilic aromatic substitution is:-



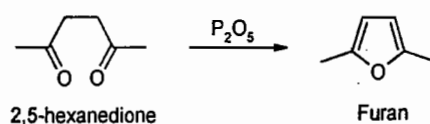
- 2) **Ans (c)**:- It is the Combes Quinoline Synthesis:- Condensation of a 1,3 - dicarbonyl compound with an arylamine gives a high yield of a  $\beta$ -amino -enone, which on cyclodehydration with concentrated acid yields quinoline



- 3) **Ans (c)**:- In this reaction nucleophile adds to the most electrophilic position between the two electron-withdrawing groups that is ring nitrogen. The product is formed by addition-elimination mechanism.

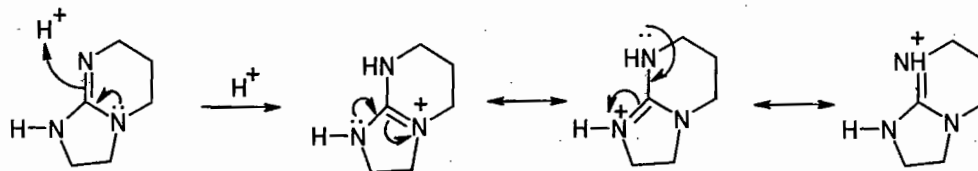


- 4) **Ans (a)**:- 1,4 - Dicarbonyl Compounds with dehydrating agent undergoes cyclodehydration to form furans. The process involves addition of the enol oxygen of one carbonyl group to the other carbonyl group & then elimination of water.

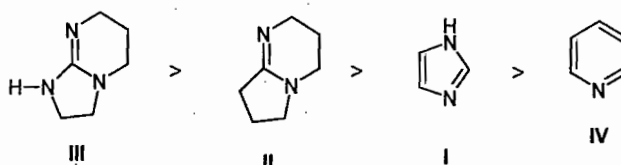




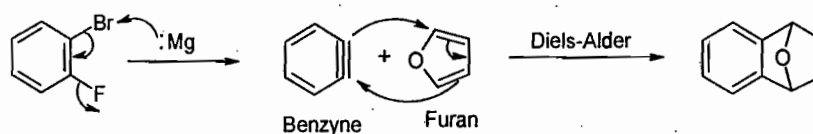
5) Ans (c):- Basicity is a measure of a compound's affinity for a proton. The stronger the base, the weaker is its conjugate acid. The base is stronger when its conjugate acid is stabilized by conjugation of an electron-donating group. Among all I, II & III are more basic than IV as the electron density on the  $sp^2$  nitrogen is increased through conjugation with the  $sp^3$  nitrogen as shown below. In case of pyridine (IV) no such stabilization of conjugate acid.



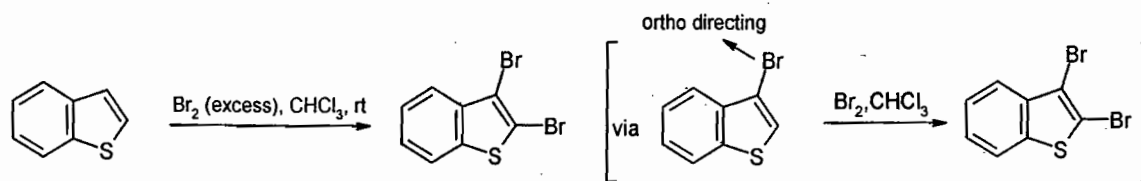
Thus the overall order of basicity is:-



6) Ans (c):-

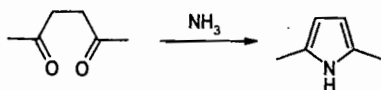


7) Ans (c):- The major product of the reaction is 2,3-dibromo-benzothiophene

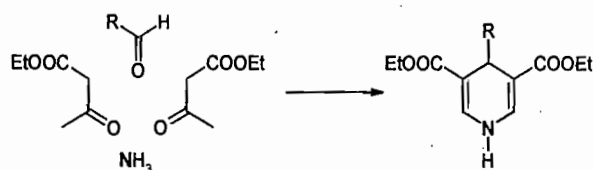


8) Ans (d):-

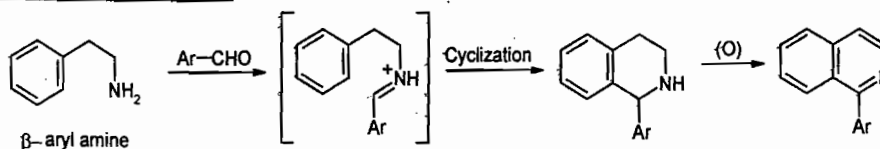
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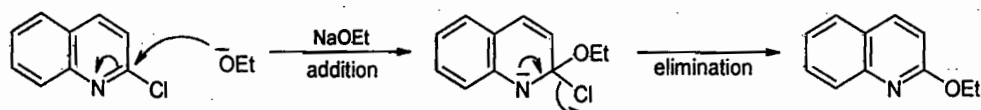
The Hantzsch synthesis



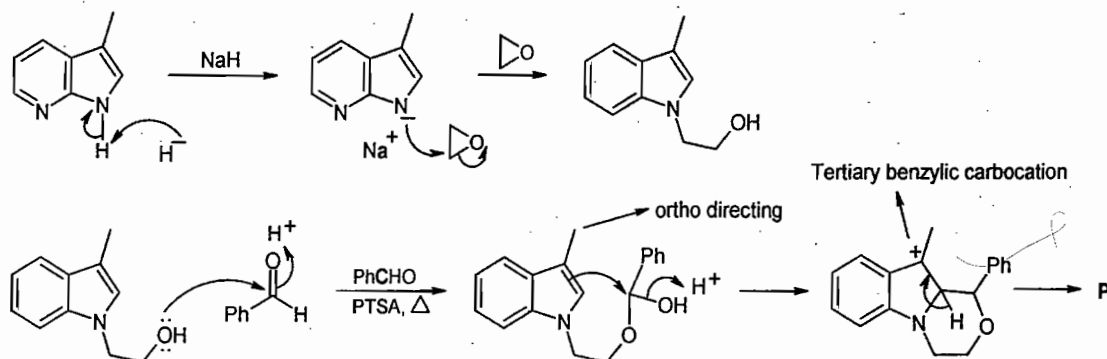
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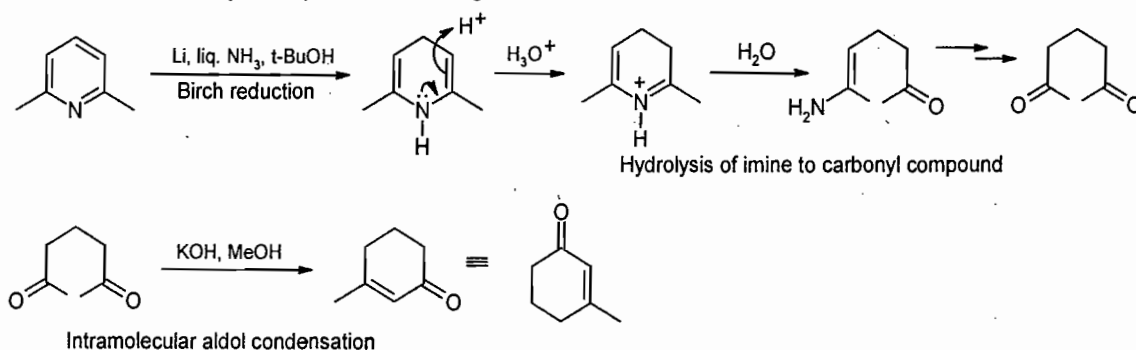
9) Ans (a):- The product is formed by addition-elimination mechanism.



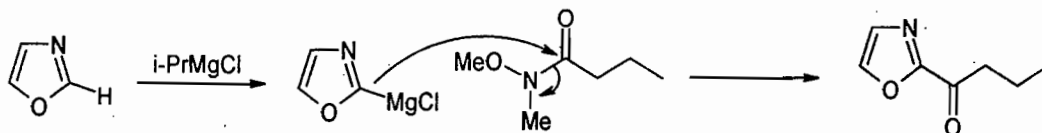
- 10) Ans (d):- In first step NaH (base) abstract an acidic proton to form Na-salt of indole which give nucleophilic substitution reactions on indole nitrogen.  
In the second step indole undergo electrophilic aromatic substitution at C-2 rather than C-3 as C-3 is blocked.



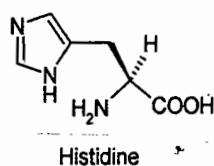
- 11) Ans (b):- Birch reduction of pyridines gives 1,4-dihydropyridines which are readily hydrolysed to 1,5-dicarbonyl compounds. 1,5-dicarbonyl compounds undergo intramolecular aldol condensation under basic condition.



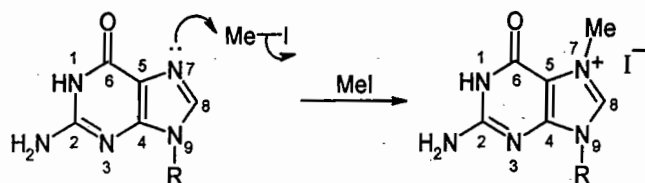
- 12) Ans (a):- In the first step C-Metallation of oxazoles takes place preferentially at C – 2 position.  
Second step is nucleophilic substitution of Grignard reagent with an electrophile



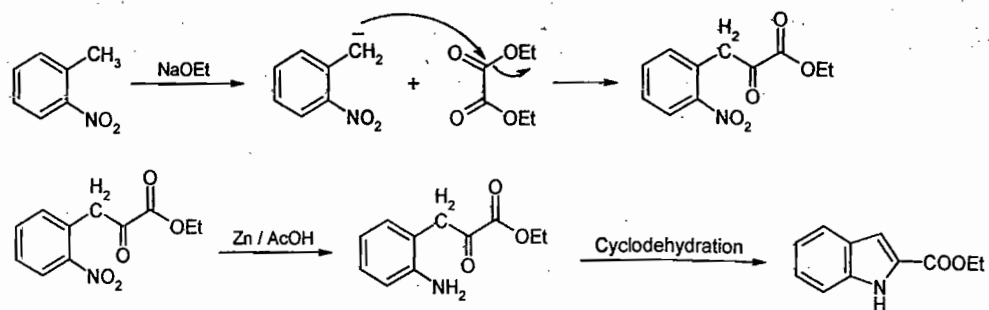
- 13) Ans (d):- Imidazole ring present in the amino acid histidine



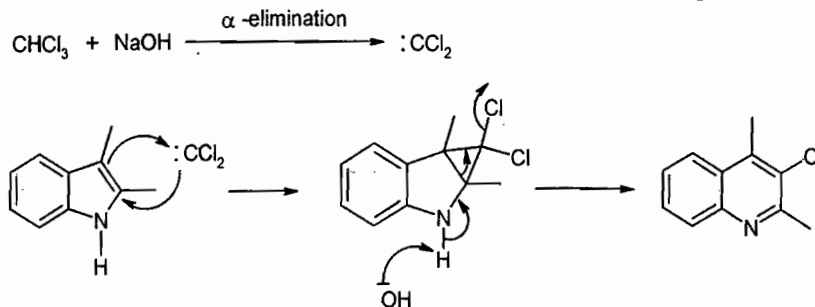
- 14) Ans (a):- In guanosine the N7-nitrogen is more nucleophilic than other ring nitrogen.



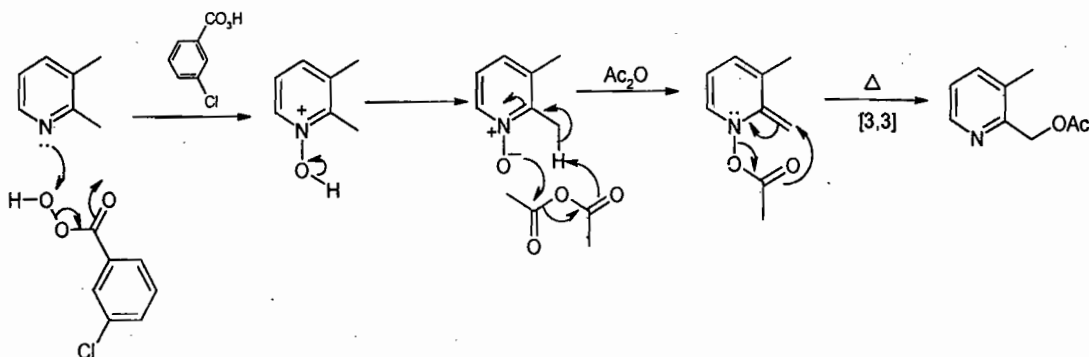
- 15) Ans (a):- The reaction is Reissert Indole synthesis. The reaction involves the reduction of o-nitrophenylpyruvic acid & its derivative with a reducing agent like Zn/AcOH to give o-aminophenylpyruvic acid. The intermediate o-aminophenylpyruvic acid give indole via cyclodehydration



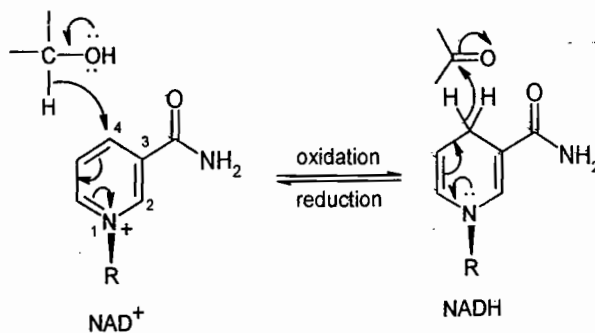
16) Ans (d):- In first step  $\alpha$ -elimination of HX from  $\text{CHCl}_3$  gives dichlorocarbene  $:\text{CCl}_2$ , which adds to the double bond in pyrrole & gives a bicyclic intermediate. The bicyclic intermediate rearrange in to the 3-chloroquinoline.



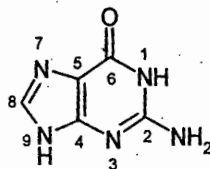
17) Ans (d):- In first step Pyridine is oxidized to pyridine *N*-oxide with reagents such *m*-CPBA . In second step acylation occurs on oxygen of Pyridine *N*-oxides to form a compound which rearranges with migration of the acetate group by [3,3] sigmatropic rearrangement to the side chain and the restoration of aromaticity



18) Ans (c):- The reactive position of nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (NAD) in biological redox reactions is 4-position of the pyridine ring

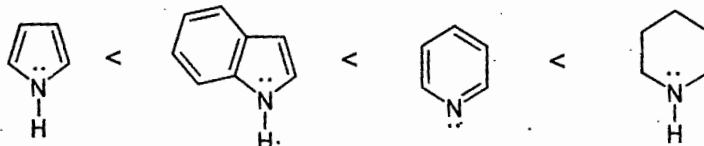


19) Ans (c):- The coordinating atom of guanine to Pt(II) is the N7-position of guanine

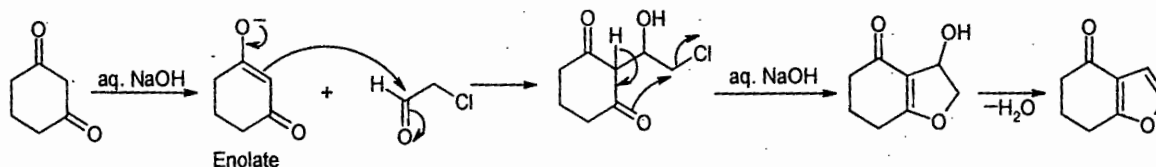


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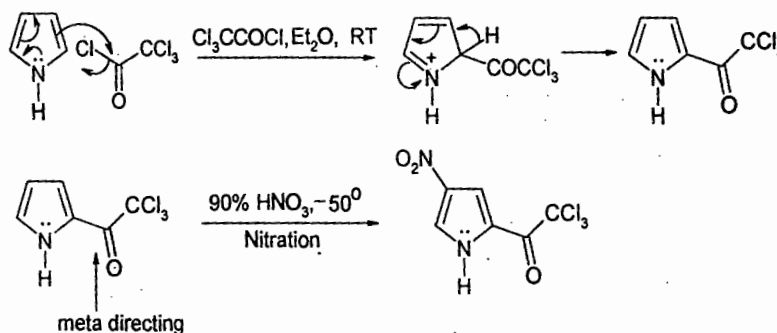
20) Ans (a):- Indole is more basic than pyrrole because in *N*-protonated indolium cation aromaticity of benzene is retained while aromaticity of pyrrolium ion is lost after protonation of indole & pyrrole respectively. Among pyridine & piperidine; piperidine is more basic (localized lone pair on  $sp^3$  hybridized atom is more basic than the localized lone pair on  $sp^2$  hybridized atom. Order of the basicity:-



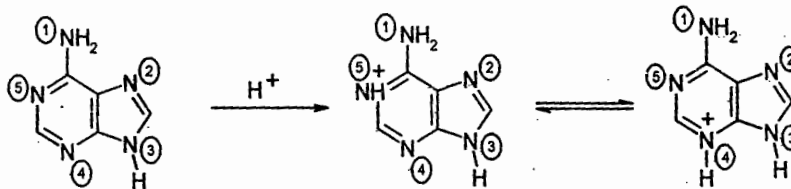
21) Ans (a):- It is the Feist-Benary Synthesis of furan  
(Reaction of 1,3-dicarbonyl enolate with a  $\alpha$ -halo-ketone,



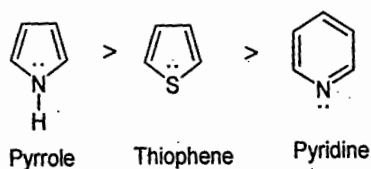
22) Ans (b):- Pyrrole undergoes electrophilic substitution preferentially at C-2. Next step is nitration at meta to electron withdrawing acyl group



23) Ans (d):- The mono protonation of adenine in acidic solution mainly occurs at either position 4 or 5

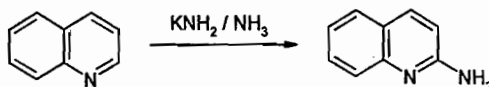


24) Ans (d):- Reactivity order of pyrrole, thiophene & pyridine to electrophilic aromatic substitution is pyrrole > thiophene > pyridine.

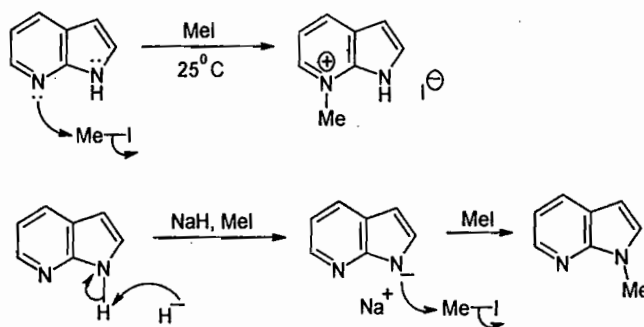


Among pyrrole and thiophene, pyrrole is more reactive than thiophene, because in pyrrole there is effective overlap between the  $2sp^2$  orbital on carbon and the  $2sp^2$  orbital on nitrogen & it make delocalization effective than delocalization due to poor overlap between the  $2sp^2$  orbital on carbon and the  $3sp^2$  orbital on sulfur in thiophene. Pyridine is very much less reactive due to electron-withdrawing nitrogen atom. Pyridine, therefore, is less reactive than benzene. Indeed, it is even less reactive than nitrobenzene.

25) **Ans (b):-** This is an example of Chichibabin reaction:- is a method for producing 2-aminopyridine or 2-aminoquinoline derivative by the reaction of pyridine/quinoline with sodium amide.



26) **Ans (b):-** Lone pair of nitrogen is localized & basic and a reasonably good nucleophile. In second reaction  $\text{NaH}$  (base) abstract an acidic proton to form  $\text{Na}$ -salt of indole & nucleophilic substitution reactions on indole nitrogen.



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