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SEMESTER: EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: DECEMBER 2013

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

You should have the following for this paper

- *Answer booklet*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions.

Answer Question **ONE (compulsory)** and any other **TWO** questions

This paper consists of 4 PRINTED pages

Question ONE

- a) Briefly explain the terms below using appropriate examples
- (i) Spectroscopy (2marks)
 - (ii) Electromagnetic radiation (2marks)
 - (iii) The energy of a photon (2marks)
 - (iv) Emission spectroscopy (2marks)
 - (v) Absorption spectroscopy (2marks)
- b) If a molecule absorbs IR radiation of $\lambda = 900\text{nm}$, Calculate the energy absorbed per mole. (6marks)
- c) Differentiate between:
- (i) Classical and instrumental methods of analysis (4marks)
 - (ii) Continuum and line source of electromagnetic radiation (4marks)
- d) The relationship between incident and transmitted radiation during spectrophotometric analysis is given by Beer Lambert law which can be written as $A = \epsilon CI$
- (i) Define Beer-Lambert Law (2marks)
 - (ii) Define the terms A, ϵ , C and I (4marks)

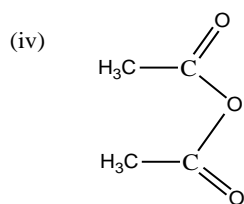
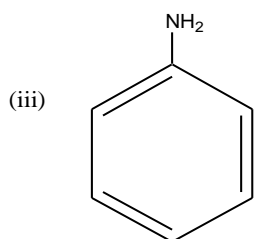
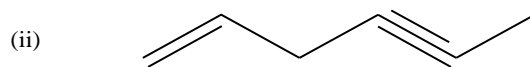
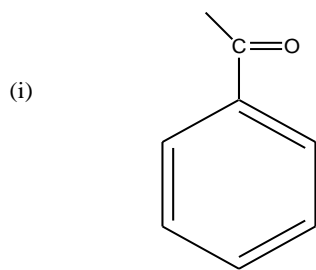
Question TWO

Discuss the following wavelength selection methods

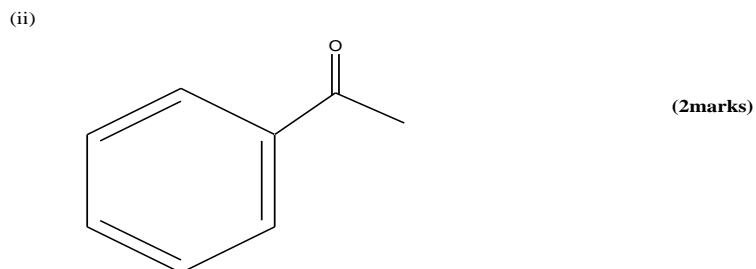
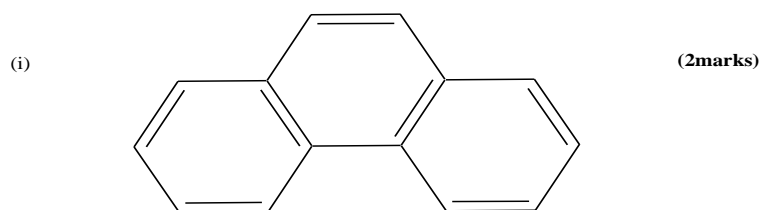
- (a) Filters (4marks)
- (b) Prism monochromator (5marks)
- (c) Scanning monochromator (6marks)

Question THREE

- a) Define the following terms:
- (i) Chromophore (2marks)
 - (ii) Wavelength (1mark)
- b) Identify the chromophores in each of the following compounds.



c) Identify the number of conjugated double bonds in each of the following molecules shown below.



Question FOUR

Discuss the working principle of the following detectors.

- (i) Photo-tube (use a well –labelled diagram) **(7marks)**
- (ii) Photo-multiplier tube **(8marks)**

Question FIVE

- a) Explain the following:
 - (i) Signal to noise enhancement **(4marks)**
 - (ii) Signal to noise ratio **(4marks)**
- b) Discuss the applications of UV-visible spectrophotometry **(3marks)**
- c) Describe the effect of different ligands on the splitting of the orbitals in transition metal complexes. **(4marks)**