

2012
B.A./B.Sc. (Hons.) Third Semester
Chemistry
Paper – I: Organic Chemistry – A

Time allowed: 3 Hours.

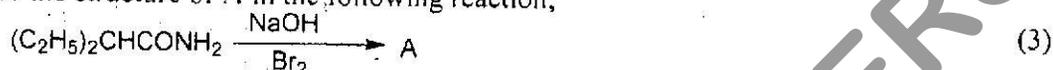
Max. Marks: 22

NOTE: Attempt five questions in all, including Question No. 9 (Unit-V) which is compulsory and selecting one question each from Unit I-IV.

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UNIT-I

1. (a) Show, by writing equations, how a nitrene intermediate may be formed in the Lossen, Curtius and Schmidt reactions? (2)
(b) Give the detailed mechanism of Baeyer-Villiger rearrangement of propanal. (2)
2. (a) Give the structure of A in the following reaction; (2)

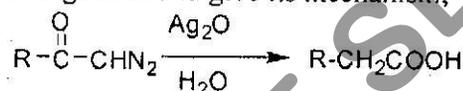


Provide a mechanism for the same reaction

- (b) What is the effect on stereochemistry of migratory group in Curtius rearrangement? (1)

UNIT-II

3. (a) Write the pinacol-pinacolone rearrangement in 2,3-diphenylbutane-2,3-diol. Explain important step governing the rearrangement. (2)
(b) Name the following rearrangement and give its mechanism; (2)



4. (a) Which phosphonium halide and carbonyl compound must be used in a Wittig reaction to synthesize following compound; (2)



Also explain the mechanism using best of all possible combinations.

- (b) Explain briefly migratory aptitude in hydroperoxide rearrangement. (2)

UNIT-III

5. (a) What are conformational effects on reactivity? Discuss in detail. (2)
(b) Give a brief account on the relationship of the ring size and facility of ring closure. (2)
6. (a) Predict the hydrogen atoms in *cis*- and *trans*-1,2-dichlorocyclopropane and its *trans*-isomer as homotopic, enantiotopic or diastereotopic. (3)
(b) Why 5-membered carbocyclic rings are more stable than 3-membered carbocyclic rings? (1)

UNIT-IV

7. (a) How pKa value of different compounds changes under the influence of; (3)
(i) Field effect (ii) Resonance effect
Explain by giving different examples.
(b) What are regio-selective and stereo-selective reactions? (1)
8. (a) Explain the mechanism of Stork-enamine reaction. What are its advantages over simple alkylation of ketones? (3)
(b) What is Hard Soft Acid Base principle? Give example. (1)

UNIT-V

9. (a) Why the rate of reaction changes with change in migrating group? (1.5 mark each)
(b) Define non-classical carbocations.
(c) How torsional strain differs from angle strain?
(d) Give the example of generation of carbon nucleophile by deprotonation.

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