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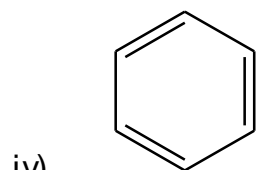
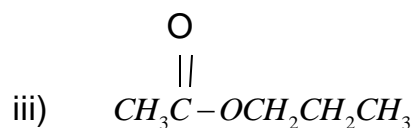
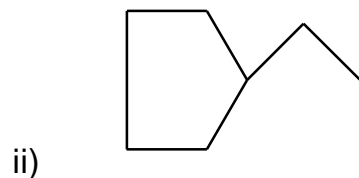
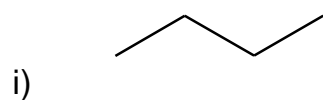
INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and ANY OTHER TWO Questions

- Q1. a) This question concerns the following alkanes:
- A n – butane
 - B 2 – methylpropane
 - C n- pentane
 - D 2 – methylbutane
 - E 2, 2 – dimethylpropane
- i) Draw the structures of the alkanes A to E. **(3 marks)**
- ii) Explain briefly why alkanes generally have low melting and boiling points. **(1 mark)**
- iii) Place the alkanes in order of increasing (I) BP (Boiling Point) (II) density. **(2 marks)**
- b) Draw the structures of the following organic compounds:
- i) Ethylbutanoate
 - ii) 2 – bromobutane
 - iii) Pentanoic acid
 - iv) Methyl ethyl ether
 - v) Methylcycloheptane
 - vi) Cis – but – 2 – ene
 - vii) 3 – hexanone

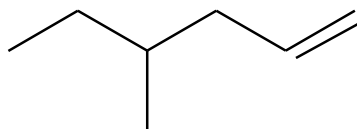
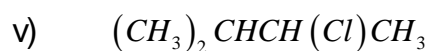
viii) 2, 2, 3 – trimethylbutane

(7 marks)

c) Give the systematic IUPAC names for the following compounds:



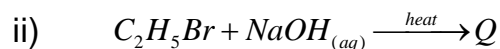
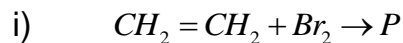
iv)



vii)

(7 marks)

d) Indicate the most plausible products from the following reactions under experimental conditions stated:



- v) $CH_3CH = CH_2 + HBr \rightarrow T$
vi) $CH_3CH_2COCH_3 \xrightarrow{LiAlH_4} U$
vii) $CH_3CHO \xrightarrow{HCN} V \xrightarrow{H^+} W$
viii) $CH_3CH_2OH \xrightarrow[180^\circ C]{C.H_2SO_4} X$
ix) $CH_3COOH + CH_3OH \xrightarrow{H^+} Y$
x) $CH_3CH_2OH + PCl_3 \rightarrow Z$ **(10 marks)**

- Q2. a) For each of the following compounds:
Butan – 1 – ol
2, 3 – dimethylpentanal
1, 2 – dimethylcyclopent – 1 - ene
i) Write the structural formula of the compound **(3 marks)**
ii) Write the structural formula for an isomer of the compound and name the isomer. (The isomer should have a different functional group). **(3 marks)**
iii) Suggest a simple chemical test you would use to distinguish between the compound and the isomer. **(4 marks)**
- b) Compare and contrast the reactions of ethanal and propanone. **(10 marks)**

- Q3. For each of the following typical groups:
i) ROH
ii) RX
iii) RCOOH
iv) $RC \equiv CR$
v) RCHO
vi) R – O – R
- a) Name the class of compound of which each group is characteristic. **(6 marks)**
- b) Give **TWO** reactions which are characteristic of each group stating clearly the experimental conditions under which the reaction occurs. **(12 marks)**
- c) State **ONE** use of any compound in the groups ROH, RX, ROR and RCOOH. **(2 marks)**

Q4. a) Explain clearly and concisely the meaning of the following terms in organic chemistry and briefly indicate, by one example in each case how the processes are carried out.

- i) Halogenation
- ii) Fermentation
- iii) Ozonolysis
- iv) Condensation
- v) Esterification
- vi) Isomerism.

(12 marks)

b) Discuss the bonding in:

- i) ethane
- ii) ethyne

in terms of S and P hybridization.

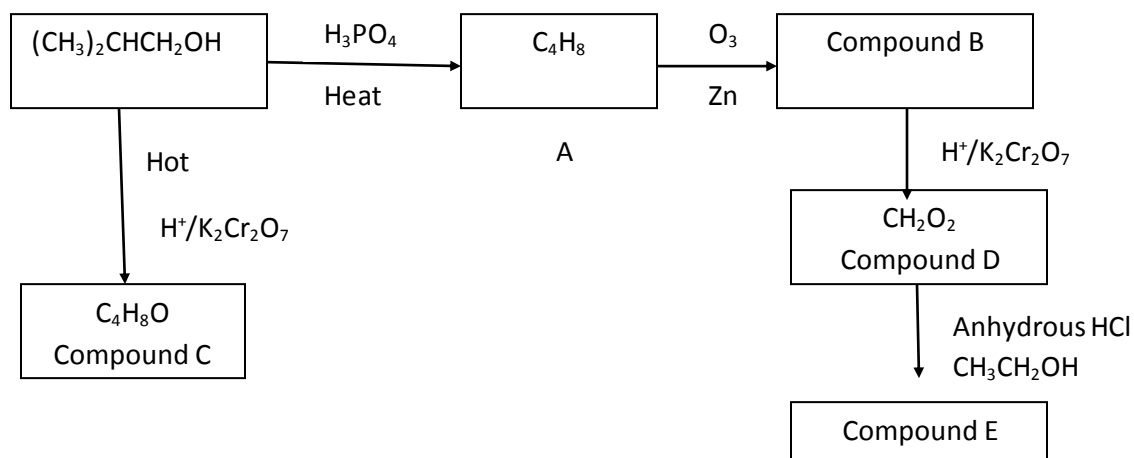
(8 marks)

Q5. a) Complete the table below by writing suitable reactions where possible. Indicate the reactions conditions:

Type of reaction	Ethane	Ethene	Ethyne
Reaction with chlorine			
Burning in the presence of excess oxygen			
Method of preparation			

(9 marks)

b) Study the flow chart below and answer the questions that follow:



- i) Deduce showing your reasoning, the structures of the compound A, B, C, D and E. **(10 marks)**
- ii) Compound A can undergo polymerization. Draw the structure of the polymer of compound A. **(1 mark)**

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