

# MANICALAND STATE UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

## FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

DEPARTMENT: CHEMICAL AND PROCESSING ENGINEERING

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SESSIONAL EXAMINATIONS

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DURATION: 3 HOURS

EXAMINER: DR BC NYAMUNDA

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### INSTRUCTIONS

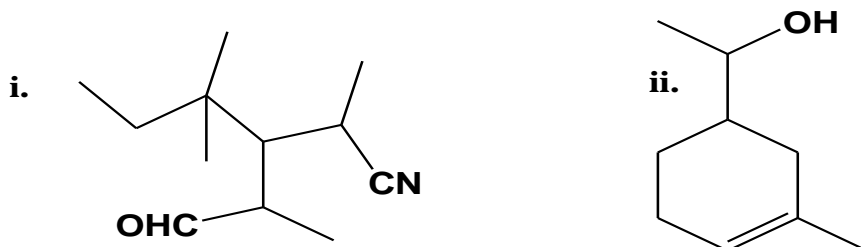
- 1. Answer any four questions*
- 2. Total marks 100*

*Additional material(s): None*

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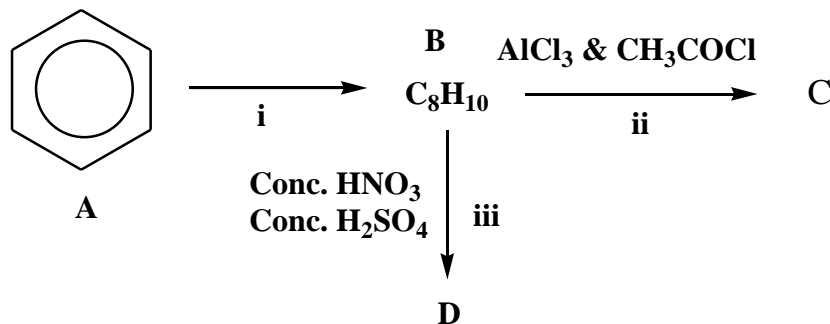
### Question 1

- a) Make use of 1-chloro 2-methyl butane to draw a wedge and dash 3-Dimensional structure of an organic molecule clearly explain the meaning of bonds. [5]
- b) i) Draw staggered and eclipsed organic structures of propane. [2]
- ii. Construct a fully labeled graph of potential energy versus bond rotation from 0 to 180° for the eclipsed and staggered conformations of ethane. [4]
- c) Assign R and S configurations for 2-methyl butane amine. [2]
- d) Draw organic Z and E structures for 2-bromo-but-1-ene. [2]
- e) Encircle all asymmetric carbon atoms in the following organic structures stating the **number** of optically active isomers possible and **type** of hybridization on carbon atoms for each of the organic compounds? [10]



### Question 2

Benzene is a starting material for the industrial processes shown in reaction scheme shown below:

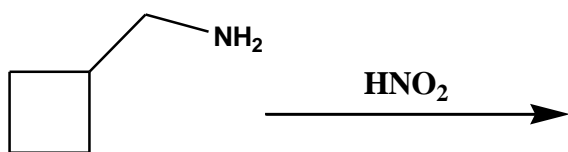


- a) Draw structures of compounds B, C and D. [3]
- b) Identify *reagents* and *conditions* required for reaction i [3]
- c) Name the type of reactions (i - iii) [3]
- d) Outline the mechanism for the formation of compound C from B. [6]
- e) Outline the reaction mechanism for the reaction of C with ethanal [8]
- f) Compound C and D are formed together with second isomers. Draw the structures of the isomers. [2]

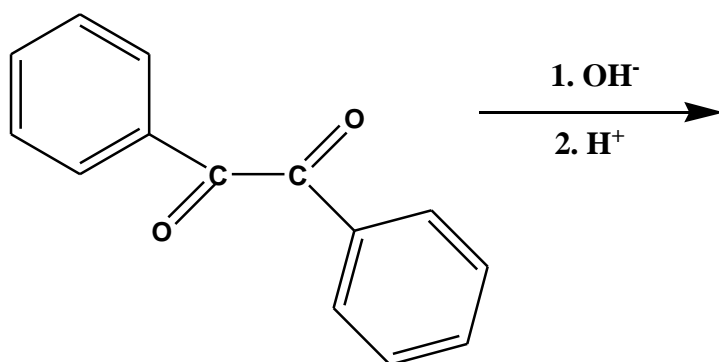
### Question 3

Predict the structural products for the following reactions and outline the reaction mechanism of each. [25]

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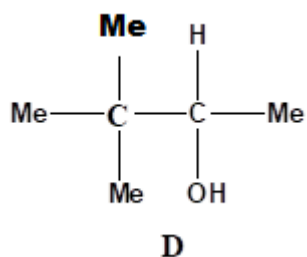
b.



#### Question 4

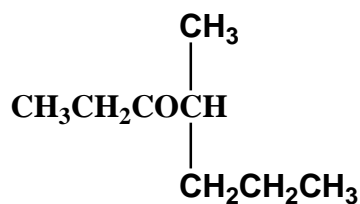
- a) Outline the mechanism for the acid catalysed dehydration of the alcohol D clearly showing methyl 1,2-rearrangement reaction to form **two** products.

[9]



- b) Norrish reactions are examples of photochemical reactions. Make use of the following organic structure to show how a **Norrish 1** photochemical reaction produces **five** different products.

[5]



- c) Distinguish  $\text{SN}_1$  from  $\text{SN}_2$  reactions based on *solvent effects* and *nature of nucleophiles*.
- [4]
- d) Explain fully what is meant by the following terms used in organic synthesis:
- Free radical
  - Solvolysis
  - Carbocation
  - Concerted mechanism
  - Electrophile

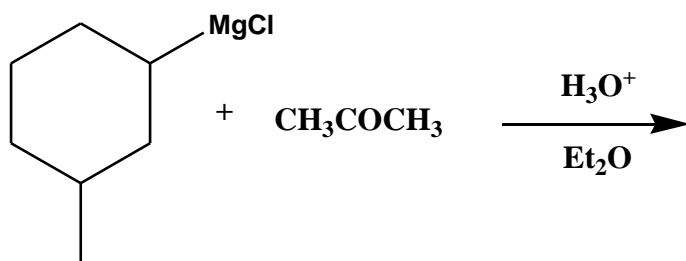
vi. Stereochemical inversion

vii. Constitutional isomers

[7]

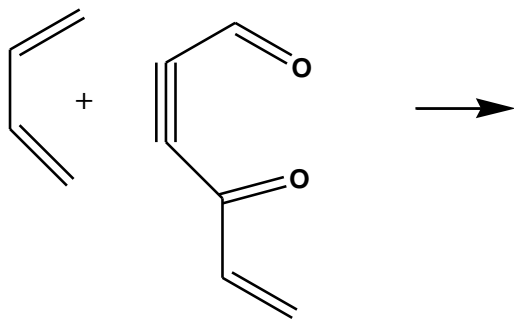
### Question 5

- a) Identify the organic product and describe the mechanism of the following reaction: [3]

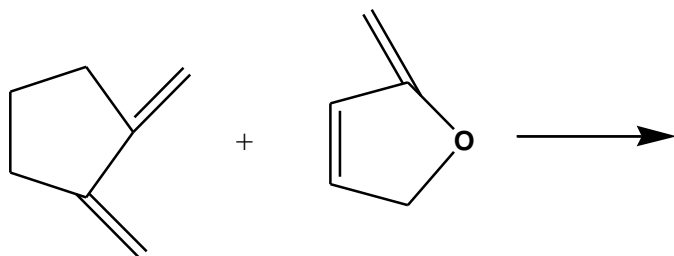


- b) Give the chemical structures of products of the following Diels-Alder reactions showing the **electron** movement in each reaction. [2 x 3]

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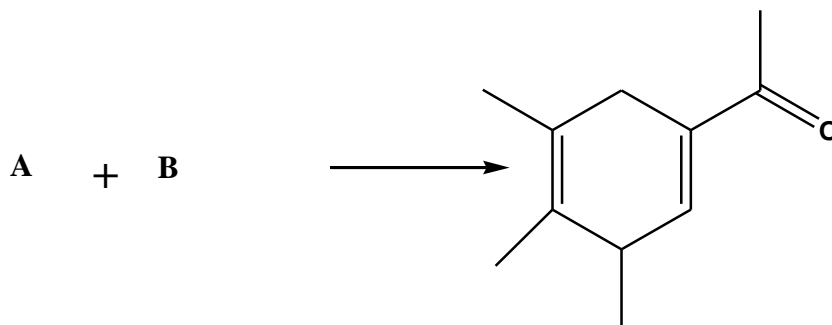


ii.

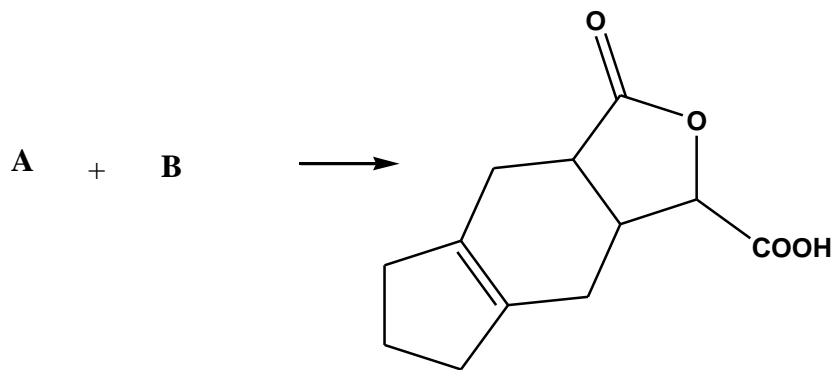


c) Identify the starting materials and complete the following Diels-Alder reactions showing arrows for movement of electrons/bonds: [3 x2]

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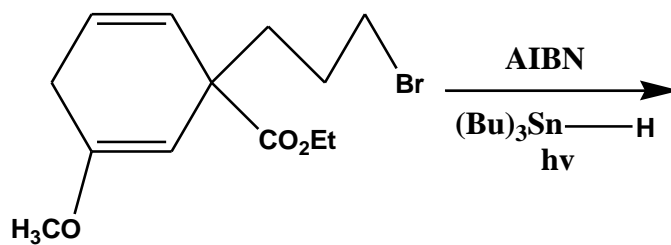
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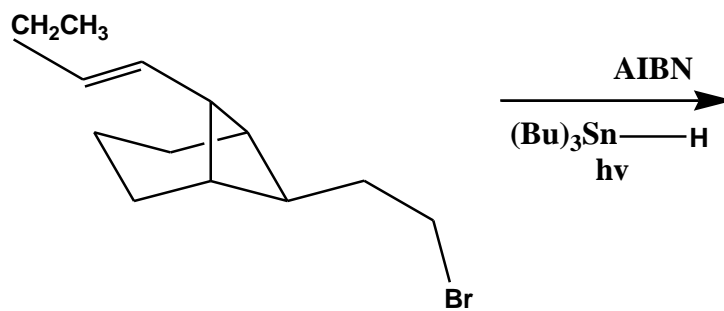
d) Identify structures of organic products of the following free radical reactions

[10]

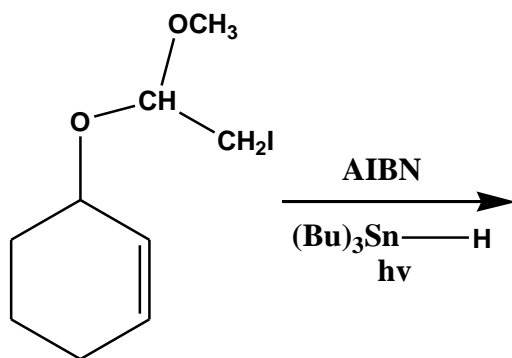
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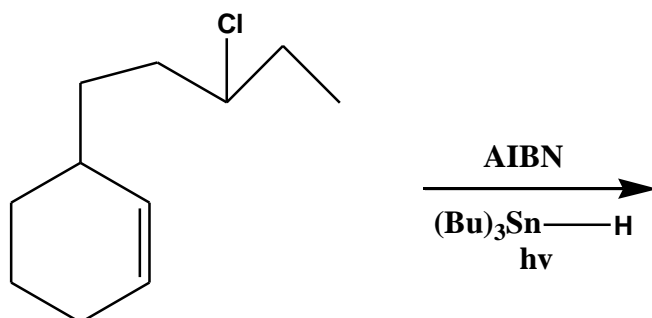
ii.



iii.



iv.



**END OF EXAMINATION**