

## Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science (Deemed to be University under *de novo* Category) Integrated Bachelor's-Master's Program

Mid-Semester Examination-Autumn 2024

Subject: Chemical Reactivity Full Marks: 25

Subject Code(s): CHS 2101 Time Allotted: 2 h

## Section A

1. Answer any two from the following questions.

[2x2=4]

- a) Comment on the rate of hydrolysis of *tert*-butylbromide in 50% aqueous methanol and pure methanol.
- b) Predict the product(s) of the following reaction. Justify your answer.

- c) Draw the structures of both cis- and trans-4-tert-butylchlorocyclohexane and explain why they undergo  $S_{\rm N}2$  reaction at same rate.
- d) Devise a mechanistic study to determine the involvement of a carbanion intermediate for 1,2-elimination reaction following E1cB reaction pathway.
- 2. Predict the structure of A-C (major products) for the transformations below and justify your answer with proper reaction mechanism. [4]

OR

Predict the major products **D** and **E** of the following reactions with proper stereochemistry and explain the origin of the stereoselectivity with a proper reaction mechanism. How products **X** and **Y** are related?

[3+1]

$$E \xrightarrow{KI} (1S, 2S)-1,2-Dibromodiphenylethane \qquad D$$

- 3. Answer the following questions.
  - a) Predict the structure of F. How rates (k<sub>1</sub> and k<sub>2</sub>) of the following reactions are related? Provide explanation.

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & \text{NaSPh } (0.1 \text{ M}) \\
\hline
 & \text{DMSO} \\
\hline
 & \text{k}_1
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & \text{NaSPh } (0.01 \text{ M}) \\
\hline
 & \text{DMSO} \\
\hline
 & \text{k}_2
\end{array}$$

b) When sec-butylacetate was heated at > 200 °C, different alkenes are formed. Predict the structure of the major alkene that would form in this reaction and provide a suitable reaction mechanism.

OR

Answer the following questions.

a) Predict the structure of G with proper stereochemistry and justification.

b) Predict the major product (H) and propose a reaction mechanism for the below given reaction.

## Section B

## There are FIVE questions in this Section. Answer any FOUR.

- 4. (a) Draw the Lewis structure of TeF4. What would be the electron pair and molecular geometry of the molecule? [1.5]
- (b) Show the formation of HBrO<sub>3</sub> in the hydration-hydrolysis of Br ion in its correct oxidation state. Does the Br and O bonding match what was obtained from the Lewis structure? [1.5]

- (i) Calculate the skipped reduction potential for BrO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> to Br<sub>2</sub>. [1]
- (ii) Write the balanced reaction for the reduction of BrO<sub>3</sub> to BrO<sub>-</sub>. [1]
- (iii) Which species of bromine would undergo disproportionation? [1]

- 6. Using the Latimer diagram (see Q 5), Construct the Frost diagram for bromine species in aqueous acidic solution. Which species of bromine are unstable? [3]
- 7. (a) Draw the structure of dichlorobis(ethylenediamine)platinum(IV) chloride. What is the primary valency and secondary valency of platinum in the complex? How many stereoisomers are possible for this complex? [1.5]
- (b) Show the d-orbital splitting in an axially compressed distorted octahedral complex. [1.5]
- 8. (a) On the basis of crystal field model, compare the magnetic properties of the complexes,  $[CoF_6]^{3-}$  and  $[Co(CN)_6]^{3-}$ . [1.5]
- (b) For  $[Cr(H_2O)_6]^{2^+}$ , the mean pairing energy is 23500 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 10Dq is 13900 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Comment on the spin state of the complex and calculate the CFSE. [1.5]