# **GATE 2012 Questions**

# EE25BTECH11010-ARSH DHOKE

### Q.1- Q.25 carry one mark each

| 1. | In the proton | decoupled 1 | <sup>13</sup> C NMR | spectrum | of 7-norborn | anone, the | e number o | of signals | ob- |
|----|---------------|-------------|---------------------|----------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|-----|
|    | tained is     |             |                     |          |              |            |            |            |     |

(a) 7 (c) 4

(b) 3 (d) 5

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2. Identify the most probable product in the given reaction

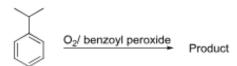


Figure 1: Figure for Q.2

Figure 3: Option B

Figure 4: Option C

Figure 5: Option D

3. In the cyclization reaction given below, the most probable product formed is

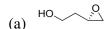


Figure 6: Option A

Figure 7: Option B

(c) 
$$HO \sim O$$

Figure 8: Option C

Figure 9: Option D

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4. If  $\Delta y$  and  $\Delta p_y$  are the uncertainties in the y-coordinate and the y component of the momentum of a particle respectively, then, according to uncertainty principle

$$\Delta y \Delta p_y \ge \frac{h}{2\pi}$$

where h is Planck's constant.

(a) 
$$\geq h$$

(b) 
$$> h/2$$

$$(d) \ge h/2$$

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5. The average length of a typical  $\alpha$ -helix comprised of 10 amino acids is

(a) 10 Å

(c)  $36 \,\text{Å}$ 

(b) 15 Å

(d) 54 Å

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6. Number of thymine residues in a 5000 kb DNA containing 23% guanine residues is

(a)  $2.70 \times 10^8$ 

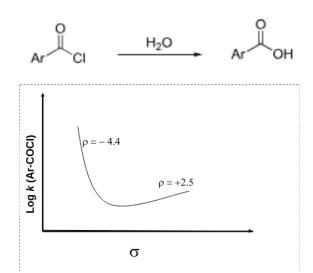
(c)  $1.35 \times 10^6$ 

(b)  $2.70 \times 10^7$ 

(d)  $1.35 \times 10^7$ 

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7. Shown below is a Hammett plot obtained for the reaction



The change in slope of the plot indicates that

- (a) the reaction does not follow linear free energy relationship
- (b) electrons are being withdrawn from the transition state in the mechanism
- (c) electrons are being donated to the transition state in the mechanism
- (d) the mechanism of the reaction is changing

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8. The ratio of relative intensities of the two molecular ion peaks of methyl bromide (CH<sub>3</sub>Br) in the mass spectrum is

(a) 
$$M^+: (M+2)^+ = 1:3$$

(c) 
$$M^+: (M+2)^+ = 1:1$$

(b) 
$$M^+: (M+2)^+ = 3:1$$

(d) 
$$M^+: (M+2)^+ = 1:2$$

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9. A disaccharide that will not give Benedict's test and will not form osazone is

(a) maltose

(c) cellobiose

(b) lactose

(d) sucrose

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10. Choose the allowed transition

(a) 
$$^{1}\Sigma_{u}^{+} \rightarrow ^{3}\Sigma_{g}^{+}$$

(c) 
$$^{1}\Sigma_{u}^{+} \rightarrow ^{1}\Sigma_{g}^{+}$$

(b) 
$$^1\Sigma_u^+ \rightarrow ^1\Sigma_u^+$$

(d) 
$$^{1}\Sigma_{u}^{+} \rightarrow ^{3}\Sigma_{u}^{+}$$

11. The angular part of the wavefunction for the electron in a hydrogen atom is proportional to

$$\sin^2\theta\cos\theta\,e^{2i\phi}$$

The values of the azimuthal quantum number (l) and the magnetic quantum number (m) are, respectively

(a) 2 and 2

(c) 3 and 2

(b) 2 and -2

(d) 3 and -2

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12. Let  $\phi_{2p_z}^C$  and  $\phi_{2p_x}^C$  denote the wavefunctions of the  $2p_z$  and  $2p_x$  orbitals of carbon, respectively, and  $\phi_{2p_z}^O$  and  $\phi_{2p_x}^O$  represent the wavefunctions of the  $2p_z$  and  $2p_x$  orbitals of oxygen, respectively. tively. If  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are constants used in linear combinations and the CO molecule is oriented along the z-axis, then, according to molecular orbital theory, the  $\pi$ -bonding molecular orbital has a wavefunction given by

(a)  $c_1 \phi_{2n}^C + c_2 \phi_{2n}^O$ 

(c)  $c_1\phi_{2n_x}^C + c_2\phi_{2n_z}^O$ 

(b)  $c_1\phi_{2p_z}^C + c_2\phi_{2p_z}^O$ 

(d)  $c_1\phi_{2p_2}^C + c_2\phi_{2p_3}^O$ 

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13. The bond that gives the most intense band in the infrared spectrum for its stretching vibration is

(a) C-H

(c) O-H

(b) N-H

(d) S-H

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14. If  $x_A$  and  $x_B$  are the respective mole fractions of A and B in an ideal solution of the two and  $T_A, T_B, T$  are the fusion temperatures of pure A, pure B and the ideal solution respectively, then

(a) 
$$1 - x_B = \exp\left(\frac{-\Delta H^{\text{fus}}(B)}{R}\left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T_B}\right)\right)$$
 (c)  $1 - x_B = \exp\left(\frac{\Delta H^{\text{fus}}(B)}{R}\left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T_B}\right)\right)$ 

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(b) 
$$1 - x_B = \exp\left(\frac{\Delta H^{\text{fus}}(A)}{R} \left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T_A}\right)\right)$$

(b) 
$$1 - x_B = \exp\left(\frac{\Delta H^{\text{fus}}(A)}{R} \left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T_A}\right)\right)$$
 (d)  $1 - x_B = \exp\left(\frac{-\Delta H^{\text{fus}}(A)}{R} \left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T_A}\right)\right)$ 

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| 15. For a reaction involving two steps given be                         | elow  |
|---|---|
| First step: G ===== 2H  |   |
| Second step: $G + H \longrightarrow P$                                  |   |
| Assume that the first step attains equilibri tional to                  | um rapidly. The rate of formation of P is propor-     |
| (a) $(G)^{1/2}$   | (c) $(G)^2$   |
| (b) ( <i>G</i> )  | (d) $(G)^{3/2}$                                       |
|   | (GATE CY 2012)  |
| 16. A metal chelate that can be used for separ by gas chromatography is | ration and quantitative analysis of aluminium ions    |
| (a) EDTA  | (c) dinonyl phthalate                                 |
| (b) ethylene glycol   | (d) trifluoroacetylacetone                            |
|   | (GATE CY 2012)  |
| 17. The enthalpies of hydration of Ca <sup>2+</sup> , Mn <sup>4+</sup>  | and $Zn^{2+}$ follow the order                        |
| (a) $Mn^{4+} > Ca^{2+} > Zn^{2+}$                                       | (c) $Mn^{4+} > Zn^{2+} > Ca^{2+}$                     |
| (b) $Zn^{2+} > Ca^{2+} > Mn^{4+}$                                       | (d) $Zn^{2+} > Mn^{4+} > Ca^{2+}$                     |
|   | (GATE CY 2012)  |
| 18. The number of terminal carbonyl groups p                            | present in Fe <sub>2</sub> (CO) <sub>9</sub> is       |
| (a) 2   | (c) 6   |
| (b) 5   | (d) 3   |
|   | (GATE CY 2012)  |
| 19. Among the following substituted silanes, upon hydrolysis is         | the one that gives cross-linked silicone polymer      |
| (a) (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> Si                                  | (c) (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> SiCl <sub>2</sub> |
| (b) CH <sub>3</sub> SiCl <sub>3</sub>                                   | (d) (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> SiCl              |
|   | (GATE CY 2012)  |

20. The plot of  $\chi T$  versus T (where  $\chi$  is molar magnetic susceptibility and T is the temperature) for a paramagnetic complex which strictly follows Curie equation is

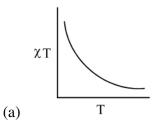


Figure 10: Option A

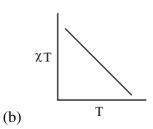


Figure 11: Option B

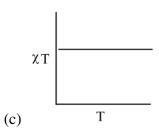


Figure 12: Option C

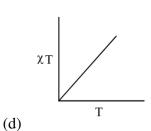


Figure 13: Option D

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21. Among the following donors, the one that forms most stable adduct with the Lewis acid  $B(CH_3)_3$  is

|   | (a) 4-methylpyridine  | (c)  | 4-nitropyridine   |
|---|---|------|---|
|   | (b) 2,6-dimethylpyridine  | (d)  | 2,6-di-tert-butylpyridine   |
|   |   |      | (GATE CY 2012)  |
| 22.   | The complex with <i>inverse</i> -spinel structure is                              |      |   |
|   | (a) $Co_3O_4$   | (c)  | $MgAl_2O_4$   |
|   | (b) $Fe_3O_4$   | (d)  | $Mn_3O_4$   |
|   |   |      | (GATE CY 2012)  |
| 23.   | The IUPAC nomenclature of Na[PtCl <sub>6</sub> ] is                               |      |   |
|   | (a) sodium hexachlorophosphine(V)   | (c)  | sodium hexachlorophosphine  |
|   | (b) sodium hexachlorophosphate(V)   | (d)  | sodium hexachlorophosphite(V)                                     |
|   |   |      | (GATE CY 2012)  |
| 24. An intermediate formed during the hydroformylation of olefins using Co is |   |      | on of olefins using Co <sub>2</sub> (CO) <sub>8</sub> as catalyst |
|   | (a) HCo(CO) <sub>6</sub>  | (c)  | $H_2Co(CO)_4$   |
|   | (b) $H_4Co(CO)_3$   | (d)  | HCo(CO) <sub>4</sub>  |
|   |   |      | (GATE CY 2012)  |
| 25.   | The order of polarity of NH <sub>3</sub> , NF <sub>3</sub> and BF <sub>3</sub> is |      |   |
|   | (a) $NH_3 < NF_3 < BF_3$  | (c)  | $BF_3 < NH_3 < NF_3$  |
|   | (b) $BF_3 < NF_3 < NH_3$  | (d)  | $NF_3 < BF_3 < NH_3$  |
|   |   |      | (GATE CY 2012)  |
|   | Q.26 to Q.55 carry two marks each.  |      |   |
| 26.   | From a carboxymethyl-cellulose column at pH elute in the order                    | 6.0  | , arginine, valine and glutamic acid will                         |
|   | (a) arginine, valine, glutamic acid   | (c)  | glutamic acid, arginine, valine                                   |
|   | (b) arginine, glutamic acid, valine   | (d)  | glutamic acid, valine, arginine                                   |
|   |   |      | (GATE CY 2012)  |
| 27.   | Symmetry operations of the four $C_2$ axes perp same class in the point group(s)  | endi | icular to the principal axis belong to the                        |

(a)  $D_4$ 

(c) D<sub>4h</sub>

(b) D<sub>4d</sub>

(d)  $D_{4h}$  and  $D_{4d}$ 

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28. At 298 K, the EMF of the cell

$$Pt \mid H_2(1 \text{ bar}) \mid H^+(\text{solution}) \parallel Cl^- \mid Hg_2Cl_2 \mid Hg$$

is 0.7530 V. The standard potential of the calomel electrode is 0.2802 V. If the liquid junction potential is zero, the pH of the solution is

(a) 4.7

(c) 8.0

(b) 7.4

(d) 12.7

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29. The wavefunction of a 1-D harmonic oscillator between  $x = +\infty$  and  $x = -\infty$  is given by

$$\psi(x) = N(2x^2 - 1)e^{-x^2/2}.$$

The value of N that normalizes the function  $\psi(x)$  is

(Given: 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^{2n} e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-1)}{2^n} \sqrt{\pi}$$
)

(a) 
$$\left(\frac{1}{8\sqrt{\pi}}\right)^{1/2}$$

(b) 
$$\left(\frac{1}{3\sqrt{\pi}}\right)^{1/2}$$

(c) 
$$\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}}\right)^{1/2}$$

(d) 
$$\left(\frac{1}{4\sqrt{\pi}}\right)^{1/2}$$

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30. Consider the reaction

$$H_2 + C_2H_4 \rightarrow C_2H_6$$

The molecular diameters of  $H_2$  and  $C_2H_4$  are 1.8 Å and 3.6 Å respectively. The preexponential factor in the rate constant calculated using collision theory in  $m^3 (mole)^{-1} s^{-1}$  is approximately

For this reaction at 300 K,  $\left(\frac{8k_BT}{\pi\mu}\right)^{1/2}$ ,  $N_A = 1.11 \times 10^{27} \, m \text{(mole)}^{-1} \, s^{-1}$ , where the symbols have their us

(a) 
$$2.5 \times 10^8$$

(c) 
$$9.4 \times 10^{17}$$

(b) 
$$2.5 \times 10^{14}$$

(d) 
$$9.4 \times 10^{23}$$

31. The molecular partition function of a system is given by

$$q(T) = \left(\frac{k_B T}{hc}\right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{8\pi^2 m k_B T}{h^2}\right)^{3/2},$$

where the symbols have their usual meanings.

The heat capacity at constant volume for this system is

(c) 
$$9R/2$$

(d) 
$$3R/2$$

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32. Consider the phase diagram given below.

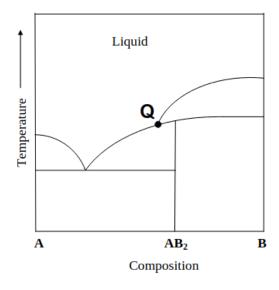


Figure 14: Figure for Q.32

At the intersection point Q the phases that are in equilibrium are

- (a) solid A, solid B and solid AB<sub>2</sub>
- (b) solid A, solid AB<sub>2</sub> and liquid
- (c) solid B, solid AB2 and liquid
- (d) solid A, solid B, solid AB2 and liquid

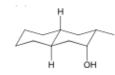
### 33. Identify the product from the following reaction

Figure 15: Figure for Q.33

# (9-BBN = 9-Borabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane)

(a)

Figure 16: Option A

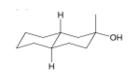


(b)

Figure 17: Option B

(c)

Figure 18: Option C



(d)

Figure 19: Option D

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### 34. The product from the following reaction is

Figure 20: Figure for Q.34

Figure 21: Option A

Figure 22: Option B

Figure 23: Option C

Figure 24: Option D

35. The acid catalyzed cyclization of 5-ketodecan-1,9-diol is given below

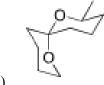
HO OH 
$$p$$
-TSA, benzene, heat Spiroketal  $(p$ -TSA =  $p$ -toluenesulfonic acid)

Figure 25: Figure for Q.35

The most predominant spiroketal is

(a)

Figure 26: Option A



(b)

Figure 27: Option B



(c)

Figure 28: Option C



(d)

Figure 29: Option D

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36. For a face centered cubic lattice, the Miller indices for the first Bragg's peak (smallest Bragg angle) are

(a) 002

(c) 001

(b) 111

(d) 110

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- 37. For the titration of a 10 mL (aq) solution of  $CaCO_3$ , 2 mL of 0.001 M  $Na_2EDTA$  is required to reach the end point. The concentration of  $CaCO_3$  (assume molecular weight of  $CaCO_3 = 100$ ) is
  - (a)  $5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ g/mL}$

(c)  $5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g/mL}$ 

(b)  $2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ g/mL}$ 

(d)  $2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g/mL}$ 

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38. In the reaction

Figure 30: Figure for Q.38

the product formed is

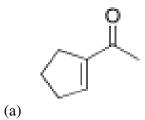
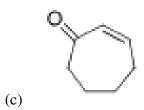


Figure 31: Option A

Figure 32: Option B



(b)

(d)

Figure 33: Option C

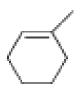


Figure 34: Option D

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39. In the reaction given below, identify the product

$$\frac{1. \text{ CH}_2\text{=CHMgBr, THF}}{2. \text{ H}_3\text{O}^+} \quad \text{Product}$$

$$O \quad 3. \text{ excess CH}_3\text{C}(\text{OMe})_3, \, p\text{-TSA, heat}$$

$$(p\text{-TSA} = p\text{-toluenesulfonic acid; THF} = \text{tetrahydrofuran})$$

Figure 35: Figure for Q.39

Figure 36: Option A

Figure 37: Option B

Figure 38: Option C

Figure 39: Option D

40. Consider the following pairs of complexes

 $[Co(NH_3)_5Br]^{2+}$  and  $[Cr(OH_2)_6]^{2+}$   $[Co(NH_3)_5(OH)]^{2+}$  and  $[Cr(OH_2)_6]^{2+}[Co(NH_3)_6]^{3+}$  and  $[Cr(OH_2)_6]^{2+}$ 

The electron transfer rate will be fastest in the pair

- (a)  $[Co(NH_3)_5Br]^{2+}$  and  $[Cr(OH_2)_6]^{2+}$  (c)  $[Co(NH_3)_6]^{3+}$  and  $[Cr(OH_2)_6]^{2+}$
- (b)  $[Co(NH_3)_5(OH)]^{2+}$  and  $[Cr(OH_2)_6]^{2+}$  (d)  $[Co(NH_3)_6]^{2+}$  and  $[Cr(OH_2)_6]^{2+}$

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- 41. The extent of Mössbauer quadrupole splitting of iron follows the order
  - (a)  $FeCl_2 \cdot 4H_2O > K_2[Fe(CN)_5(NO)] > FeCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$
  - (b)  $K_2[Fe(CN)_5(NO)] > FeCl_2 \cdot 4H_2O > FeCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$
  - (c)  $FeCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O > K_2[Fe(CN)_5(NO)] > FeCl_2 \cdot 4H_2O$
  - (d)  $FeCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O > FeCl_2 \cdot 4H_2O > K_2[Fe(CN)_5(NO)]$

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- 42. Hemoglobin is an oxygen carrying protein. The correct statement about oxy-hemoglobin is that
  - (a) the metal is low-spin in +3 oxidation state while dioxygen is in  $O_2^-$  form
  - (b) the metal is high-spin in +3 oxidation state while dioxygen is in  $O_2^-$  form
  - (c) the metal is low-spin in +3 oxidation state while dioxygen is in neutral form
  - (d) the metal is high-spin in +3 oxidation state while dioxygen is in neutral form

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- 43. If a mixture of NaCl, conc. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> is heated in a dry test tube, a red vapour (P) is formed. This vapour (P) dissolves in aqueous NaOH to form a yellow solution, which upon treatment with AgNO<sub>3</sub>, forms a red solid (Q). P and Q are, respectively
  - (a) CrO<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and Ag<sub>2</sub>CrO<sub>4</sub>

- (c) Na<sub>2</sub>[CrOCl<sub>5</sub>] and Ag<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>
- (b) Na[CrOCl<sub>5</sub>] and Ag<sub>2</sub>CrO<sub>7</sub>
- (d) CrO<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and Ag<sub>2</sub>CrO<sub>7</sub>

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44. For the following reaction

$$2MnO_4^- + 5H_2C_2O_4 + 6H^+ \longrightarrow 2Mn^{2+} + 8H_2O + 10CO_2$$

 $E^{\circ}(MnO_4^{-}/Mn^{2+}) = +1.51 \text{ V}$  and  $E^{\circ}(CO_2/H_2C_2O_4) = -0.49 \text{ V}$ . At 298 K, the equilibrium constant is

(a)  $10^{100}$ 

(c)  $10^{48}$ 

(b)  $10^{148}$ 

(d)  $10^{143}$ 

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45. The ground states of high-spin octahedral and tetrahedral Co(II) complexes are, respectively

(a)  ${}^{4}T_{2g}$  and  ${}^{4}A_{2}$ 

(c)  ${}^{4}T_{1g}$  and  ${}^{4}T_{2}$ 

(b)  ${}^4T_{1g}$  and  ${}^4A_2$ 

(d)  ${}^4T_{1g}$  and  ${}^4T_1$ 

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46. The INCORRECT statement about Zeise's salt is

- (a) Zeise's salt is diamagnetic
- (b) The oxidation state of Pt in Zeise's salt is +2
- (c) All the Pt-Cl bond lengths in Zeise's

salt are equal

(d) C-C bond length of ethylene moiety in Zeise's salt is longer than that of free ethylene molecule

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47. The number of possible isomers for the square planar mononuclear complex  $[(NH_3)_2M(CN)_2]$  of a metal M is

(a) 2

(c) 6

(b) 4

(d) 3

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# **Common Data Questions**

Common Data for Questions 48 and 49: Consider the reaction sequence shown below:

Figure 40: Figure for Q.48-49

TsCl = p-toluenesulfonyl chloride

48. The oxidant X used in step 1 is

- (a) CrO<sub>3</sub>
- (b) OsO<sub>4</sub>

- (c) NaIO<sub>4</sub>
- (d) m-CPBA followed by NaOH

# 49. The product is

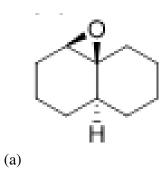
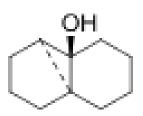


Figure 41: Option A



(b)

(c)

OH H

Figure 42: Option B

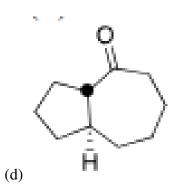


Figure 43: Option C

Figure 44: Option D

Common Data for Questions 50 and 51: Consider the E1 reaction of *tert*-amyl halides from the energy profile given below.

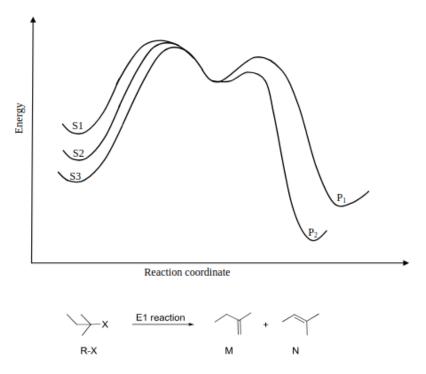


Figure 45: Figure for Q.50-51

- 50. In the above reaction, X = Cl, Br or I. Based on the graph, identify the alkyl halides (R-X) as  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$  and  $S_3$ .
  - (a)  $S_1 = R-Cl$ ,  $S_2 = R-Br$  and  $S_3 = R-I$
  - (b)  $S_1 = R-I$ ,  $S_2 = R-Br$  and  $S_3 = R-Cl$
  - (c)  $S_1 = R-Cl$ ,  $S_2 = R-I$  and  $S_3 = R-Br$
  - (d)  $S_1 = R-I$ ,  $S_2 = R-Cl$  and  $S_3 = R-Br$

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- 51. Identify product  $P_1$ , and its yield relative to  $P_2$ .
  - (a)  $P_1$  is M and is the major product
  - (b) P<sub>1</sub> is N and is the minor product
  - (c) P<sub>1</sub> is N and is the major product
  - (d) P<sub>1</sub> is M and is the minor product

#### **Linked Answer Questions**

**Statement for Linked Answer Questions 52 and 53:** A 20491 cm<sup>-1</sup> laser line was used to excite oxygen molecules (made of <sup>16</sup>O only) to obtain the rotational Raman spectrum. The resulting rotational Raman spectrum of oxygen molecule has the first Stokes line at 20479 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

52. The rotational constant (usually denoted as *B*) for the oxygen molecule is

(a)  $1.2 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ 

(c)  $3.0 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ 

(b)  $2.0 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ 

(d)  $6.0 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ 

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53. The next rotational Stokes line is expected at

(a)  $20467 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ 

(c)  $20471 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ 

(b)  $20469 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ 

(d)  $20475 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ 

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**Statement for Linked Answer Questions 54 and 55:** Hückel molecular orbital theory can be applied to the allene radical

$$CH_2 = CH - CH_2$$

54. The secular determinant (where  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and E have their usual meanings) is given by

(a) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha - E & \beta & 0 \\ \beta & \alpha - E & \beta \\ 0 & \beta & \alpha - E \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha - E & \beta & 0 \\ \beta & \alpha - E & 0 \\ 0 & \beta & \alpha - E \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha - E & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha - E & \beta \\ 0 & \beta & \alpha - E \end{pmatrix}$$

(d) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha - E & -\beta & 0 \\ -\beta & \alpha - E & -\beta \\ 0 & -\beta & \alpha - E \end{pmatrix}$$

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55. The possible values of E are

(a) 
$$\alpha + \sqrt{2}\beta$$
,  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha - \sqrt{2}\beta$ 

(b) 
$$\alpha + 2\sqrt{2}\beta$$
,  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha - 2\sqrt{2}\beta$ 

(c) 
$$\alpha + \beta$$
,  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha - \beta$ 

(d) 
$$\alpha + 2\beta$$
,  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha - 2\beta$ 

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# **General Aptitude (GA) Questions (Compulsory)**

Q. 56 - Q. 60 carry one mark each. 56. If  $(1.001)^{129} = 3.52$  and  $(1.001)^{284} = 7.85$ , then  $(1.001)^{4241} =$ (a) 2.23 (c) 11.37 (b) 4.33 (d) 27.64 (GATE CY 2012) 57. One of the parts (A, B, C, D) in the sentence given below contains an ERROR. Which one of the following is **INCORRECT**? I requested that he should be given the driving test today instead of tomorrow. (a) requested that (c) the driving test (b) should be given (d) instead of tomorrow (GATE CY 2012) 58. Which one of the following options is the closest in meaning to the word given below? Latitude (a) Eligibility (c) Coercion (b) Freedom (d) Meticulousness (GATE CY 2012) 59. Choose the most appropriate word from the options given below to complete the following sentence: Given the seriousness of the situation that he had to face, his \_\_\_ was impressive. (a) beggary (c) jealousy (b) nomenclature (d) nonchalance (GATE CY 2012) 60. Choose the most appropriate alternative from the options given below to complete the following sentence:

(c) should have taken

(d) will have taken

If the tired soldier wanted to lie down, he \_\_\_ the mattress out on the balcony.

(a) should take

(b) shall take

Q. 61 - Q. 65 carry two marks each.

61. One of the legacies of the Roman legions was discipline. In the legions, military law prevailed and discipline was brutal. Discipline on the battlefield kept units obedient, intact and fighting, even when the odds and conditions were against them.

Which one of the following statements best sums up the meaning of the above passage?

- (a) Thorough regimentation was the main reason for the efficiency of the Roman legions even in adverse circumstances.
- (b) The legions were treated inhumanly as if the men were animals.
- (c) Discipline was the armies' inheritance from their seniors.
- (d) The harsh discipline to which the legions were subjected led to the odds and conditions being against them.

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62. A and B are friends. They decide to meet between 1 PM and 2 PM on a given day. There is a condition that whoever arrives first will not wait for the other for more than 15 minutes. The probability that they will meet on that day is

| (a) $\frac{1}{4}$  | (c) $\frac{7}{16}$ |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| (b) $\frac{1}{16}$ | (d) $\frac{9}{16}$ |

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63. The data given in the following table summarizes the monthly budget of an average household.

| Category       | Amount (Rs.) |
|----------------|--------------|
| Food           | 4000         |
| Clothing       | 1200         |
| Rent           | 2000         |
| Savings        | 1500         |
| Other expenses | 1800         |

Table 1: Table for Q.63

The approximate percentage of the monthly budget NOT spent on savings is

(a) 10% (c) 81% (b) 14% (d) 86%

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64. There are eight bags of rice looking alike, seven of which have equal weight and one is slightly heavier. The weighing balance is of unlimited capacity. Using this balance, the minimum number of weighings required to identify the heavier bag is

|    | (b) 3                    | (d) 8                                  |                               |
|----|--------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
|    |                          |  | (GATE CY 2012)                |
| 65 | Rain has 14 currency not | es in his packet consisting of only Rs | 20 notes and Rs 10 notes. The |

(c) 4

65. Raju has 14 currency notes in his pocket consisting of only Rs. 20 notes and Rs. 10 notes. The total money value of the notes is Rs. 230. The number of Rs. 10 notes that Raju has is

(a) 5 (b) 6 (c) 9 (d) 10

(a) 2

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