4.6 EXERCISE 1 – AROMATIC CHEMISTRY

- 1. a) Describe the shape of, and bonding in, a molecule of benzene
 - b) Explain why benzene does not readily undergo addition reactions
- 2. Deduce the main organic products of the following reactions:
 - a) benzene with nitric acid in the presence of sulphuric acid
 - b) benzene with chloromethane in the presence of aluminium chloride
 - c) benzene with propene in the presence of aluminium chloride and hydrogen chloride
 - d) benzene with propanoyl chloride in the presence of aluminium chloride
 - e) nitrobenzene with tin and concentrated hydrochloric acid
- 3. Give mechanisms for the reactions in (a), (b), (c) and (d)
- 4. Explain why phenylamine is a weaker base than ethylamine
- 5. Give a use for the following techniques in aromatic chemistry:
 - a) nitration of benzene
 - b) preparation of phenylamine
 - c) preparation of ethylbenzene