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SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

COURSE CODE: CHM414
COURSE TITLE: Photochemistry and Pericyclic Reactions
TIME: 2 Hours
INSTRUCTION: Answer any Four Questions

QUESTION ONE

With the aid of chemical equations of photodissociation of stratospheric ozone and the destruction of ozone layer by CFCs, explain dissociation reaction.

(17½ marks).

QUESTION TWO

a.) Write a short note on photochemistry induced by visible and ultraviolet light.

(8 marks)

b.) Discuss briefly the process of a photochemical reaction.

(9½ marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a.) State the characteristics of pericyclic reactions. (10 marks)
- b.) Using the formation of cyclohexa – 1, 3 – diene by heating hexa – 1, 3, 5 triene as example explain electrocyclic reactions. ($7\frac{1}{2}$ marks).

QUESTION FOUR

- a.) What are selective rules in photochemistry (3 $\frac{1}{2}$ marks)
- b.) Describe (i) the spin selection rule
(ii) La Porte selection rule . (14 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

When a sample of 4-heptanone was irradiated with 313 nm light with a power output of 50 W under conditions of total absorption for 100 s, it was found that 2.8×10^{-3} mol C_2H_4 was formed. What is the quantum yield for the formation of ethane. Plank's constant = 6.63×10^{-34} J.Sec, speed of light (c) = 3×10^8 m.sec⁻¹

(17 $\frac{1}{2}$ marks).

QUESTION SIX

Discuss cycloaddition reactions using the reaction between 1, 3-butadiene and ethene.

(17 $\frac{1}{2}$ marks).

