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SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

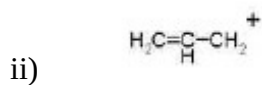
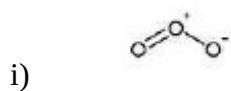
COURSE CODE: CHM307
COURSE TITLE: ATOMIC AND MOLECULAR STRUCTURE AND SYMMETRY

TIME: 21/2 HOURS **CREDIT UNIT:** 3

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER FOUR QUESTIONS

- 1a) Discuss the treatment of molecular vibrations using Newtonian Mechanics.(8 marks)
1b) When does centrifugal distortion occurs? (6 marks)
- 2a) Write short note on Free Electron Model (FEMO). (5 marks)
2b) Calculate the lowest absorption wavenumbers for butadiene neglecting end effects.
(4 marks)
2c) Explain each of the following terms:
i) Orthogonal function
ii) Orthonormal function (5 marks)
- 3a) Write short note on each of the below relationships:
i) The relationship between the energy of the photon and its wavelength
ii) The relationship between the momentum and the wavelength of a photon.
(10 marks)
- 3b) Suppose $\hat{A}=d/dx$, $\hat{G}=x$ and $\psi(x) = x^3$ do the operators commute? (4 marks)
- 4a) Define bonding (2 marks)
4b) Draw the molecular orbital diagram for a diatomic neon molecule. (8 marks)
4c) Calculate the bond order of Neon molecule. (4 marks)
5a) Explain the following terms and express each mathematically:
i) Russell-Saunders coupling
ii) JJ coupling
iii) Nuclear coupling (3 marks each)
- 5b) Write briefly on each of the Quantum numbers. (5 marks)

- 6a) What are reactive intermediates? (3 marks)
6b) List the steps to writing resonance. (5 marks)
6c) Write the resonance structure of the structures below:



(8 marks)

- 7a) Define molecular orbital and give the appropriate combinations of the atomic orbitals. (4 marks)
7b) Construct a molecular orbital diagram for the ethane molecule. (5 marks)
7c) Show the relationship between heat capacity and specific heat capacity. (5 marks)