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**SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**  
**MARCH/APRIL 2014 EXAMINATION**

**COURSE CODE: CHM 309**

**COURSE TITLE: ORGANIC SPECTROSCOPY**

**TIME ALLOWED: 2HOURS**

**INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS**

( speed of light =  $3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  ,plancks constant =  $6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$

**1ai.** What do you understand as ;i. Radiation 2mks

ii. Chromophore 2mks

b. Calculate the frequency of the number of peaks passing through a given point per second, if the wavelength between the peaks is  $4 \times 10^4 \text{ m}$ . 6.5mks

c. Write short notes on the following: i. Spectroscopy 2mks

ii .Absorbance of UV/VIS radiation 2mks

iii. Bathochromic shift 2mks

**2ai.** A radiation has an energy of  $6.4 \times 10^{12}$  .Calculate the wavelength? 10.5mks

b. Identify each parameter in this Beer Lambert Law equation.  $\log I_0/I_t = A = \epsilon bc$   
4mks

**3.** Briefly discuss the factors determining the absorption of radiation in the UV /VIS

b. Explain the terms, partition co-efficient and solubility of a drug. 6.5mks

**4ai.**Discuss the factors determining the intensity and energy level of absorption in IR – spectroscopy.10mks

b. List and explain two of the major components of UV- VIS spectrometer.7.5mks

**5ai.** Differentiate between a dispersive and fourier transform instruments.2mks

b. Using a calibration curve show a solution that obeys Beer lambert law and one that does not. 4mks

c. Discuss the three methods of sample preparation for an IR –spectrometer.  
11.5mks

6a. Define the term mass spectrometry. 2.5mks

b. Discuss the methods of sample ionization. 15mks