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**OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2016 EXAMINATION**

**COURSE CODE: CHM 414**

**COURSE TITLE : Photochemistry and Pericyclic Reactions**

**TIME: 2 Hours**

**CREDIT UNIT 2**

**INSTRUCTION: Answer any Four Questions**

- 1a. Differentiate between thermal and photochemical reactions.
- b. What are selection rules in photochemistry?
2. State and explain the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> laws of photochemistry.
3. Write a short note on photochemistry induced by visible and ultraviolet light.
4. Discuss briefly the processes involved in a photochemical reaction.
5. 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  $2.8 \times 10^{-3}$  mol  $C_2H_4$  was formed. What is the quantum yield for the formation of ethane. Plank's constant =  $6.63 \times 10^{-34}$  J.Sec, speed of light (c) =  $3 \times 10^8$  m.sec<sup>-1</sup>
6. Discuss the Frank – Condon principle.