

**OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS**
**Advanced Subsidiary GCE**
**CHEMISTRY**
**2812**
**Chains and Rings**

Wednesday

**8 JUNE 2005**

Morning

1 hour

Candidates answer on the question paper.

Additional materials:

*Data Sheet for Chemistry*

Scientific calculator

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**TIME** 1 hour

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name in the space above.
- Write your Centre number and Candidate number in the boxes above.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Write your answers in the spaces provided on the question paper.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- You will be awarded marks for the quality of written communication where this is indicated in the question.
- You may use a scientific calculator.
- You may use the *Data Sheet for Chemistry*.
- You are advised to show all the steps in any calculations.

FOR EXAMINER'S USE		
Question Number	Max.	Mark
1	13	
2	15	
3	13	
4	8	
5	11	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>60</b>	

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**This question paper consists of 11 printed pages and 1 blank page.**

Answer all the questions.

1 The table below lists the boiling points of some alkanes.

alkane	number of carbon atoms	molecular formula	boiling point / °C
butane	4	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub>	0
pentane	5	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub>	36
hexane	6		69
heptane	7	C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>16</sub>	99
octane	8	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>18</sub>	
nonane	9	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>20</sub>	152
decane	10	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>22</sub>	175

(a) What is the molecular formula of hexane? .....[1]

(b) (i) State the trend in the boiling points of the alkanes.

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 .....[1]

(ii) Explain the trend in the boiling points of the alkanes.

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 .....[1]

(iii) Predict the boiling point of octane. .... °C [1]

(c) Long chain alkanes, such as nonane, can be cracked into shorter chain alkanes and alkenes.

(i) Write a balanced equation for the cracking of nonane into heptane and ethene.

.....[1]

(ii) Much of the ethene is then converted into ethanol.

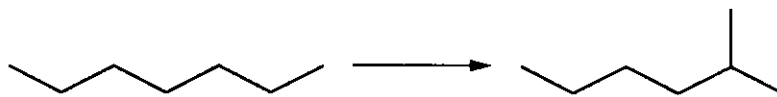
Write a balanced equation for the conversion of ethene into ethanol. State the essential conditions.

equation .....[1]

conditions .....

.....[2]

- (d) Heptane can be isomerised to produce branched chain alkanes such as 2-methylhexane or 2,3-dimethylpentane.  
The equation below shows the isomerisation of heptane into 2-methylhexane.



- (i) Using skeletal formulae, complete the balanced equation for the isomerisation of heptane into 2,3-dimethylpentane.



[1]

- (ii) The boiling point of 2,3-dimethylpentane is 84 °C.

Predict the boiling point of 2-methylhexane. .... °C [1]

- (e) Heptane can be reformed to produce methylcyclohexane which is a cycloalkane.  
Write a balanced equation to show the reforming of heptane to obtain methylcyclohexane.

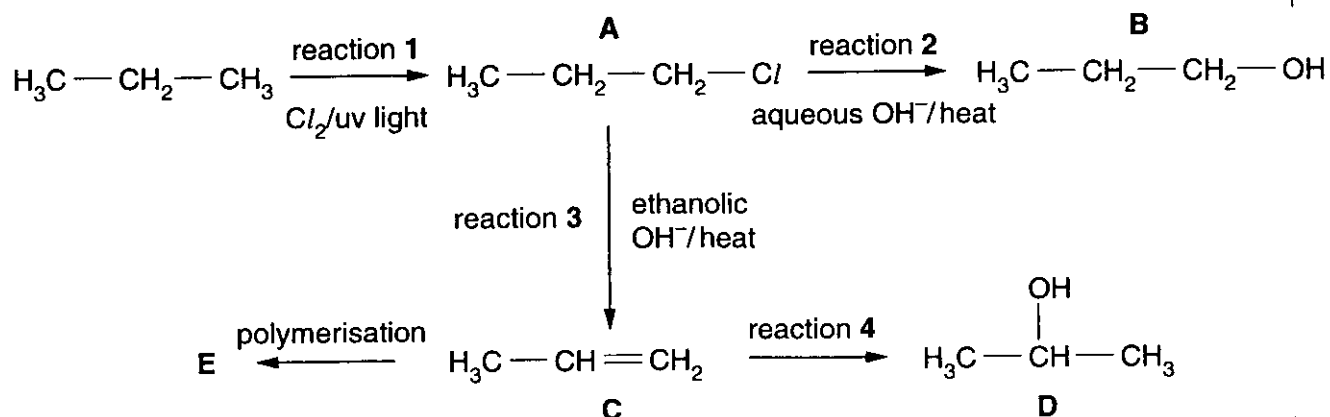
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- (f) State why branched chain alkanes and cycloalkanes are more useful than straight chain alkanes.

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2 Propane, C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>, is used in the reaction sequence shown below.



(a) The reaction sequence shows several important reaction mechanisms. Select from reactions 1 to 4, the reaction that shows

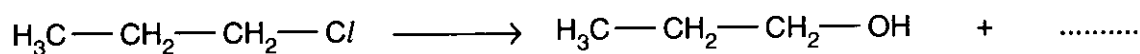
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| (i) free radical substitution, | reaction ..... | [1] |
| (ii) electrophilic addition,   | reaction ..... | [1] |
| (iii) elimination.             | reaction ..... | [1] |

(b) In reaction 2, the aqueous OH<sup>-</sup> acts as a nucleophile.

(i) State what is meant by the term *nucleophile*.

.....[1]

(ii) Complete, with the aid of curly arrows, the mechanism involved in reaction 2. Show any relevant dipoles.



[4]

(c) Compounds **B** and **D** are structural isomers of each other.

(i) State what is meant by the term *structural isomers*.

.....  
.....[2]

(ii) Draw the skeletal formulae of compounds **B** and **D**.

Compound <b>B</b>	Compound <b>D</b>

[2]

(d) Compound **C** can be polymerised to form compound **E**.

(i) State the type of polymerisation. ....[1]

(ii) Name compound **E**. ....[1]

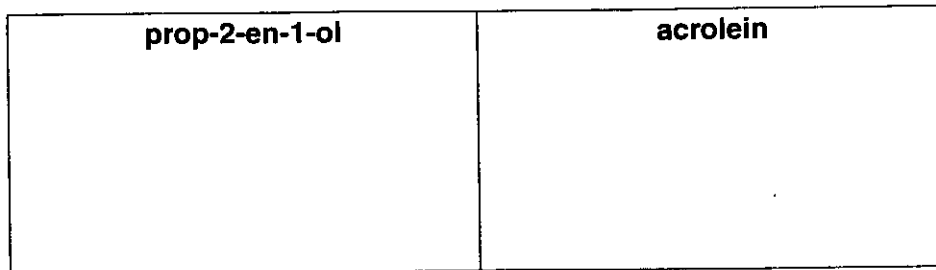
(iii) Draw a section of compound **E**. Show **two** repeat units.

[1]

[Total: 15]

- 3 Acrolein,  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCHO}$ , and acrylic acid,  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCOOH}$ , are both used in industry for the manufacture of plastic resins and polymers. Both acrolein and acrylic acid can be made from prop-2-en-1-ol,  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCH}_2\text{OH}$ .

- (a) (i) Draw the structures of prop-2-en-1-ol and acrolein. Clearly display the functional groups in each compound.



[2]

- (ii) Name the functional group common to **both** prop-2-en-1-ol and acrolein.

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- (b) Prop-2-en-1-ol can be oxidised to form either acrolein or acrylic acid.

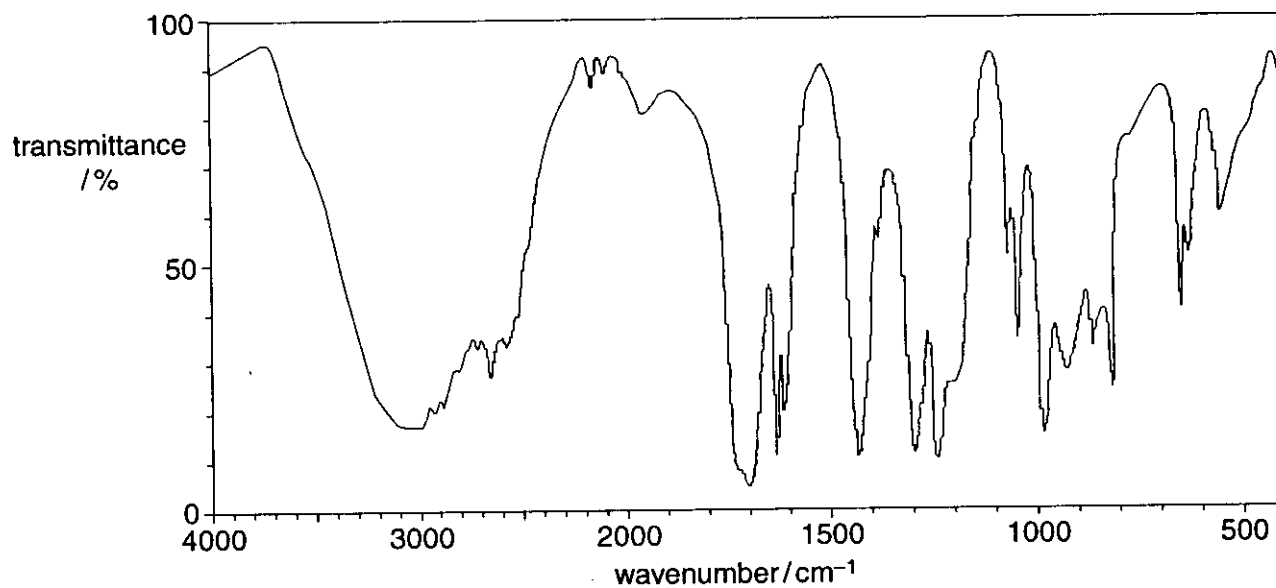
- (i) Identify a suitable oxidising mixture.

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- (ii) Write a balanced equation for the oxidation of prop-2-en-1-ol into acrolein. Use [O] to represent the oxidising agent.

.....[1]

- (c) A sample of prop-2-en-1-ol was oxidised and an infra-red spectrum of the organic product was obtained.



By referring to your *Data Sheet*, decide whether acrolein,  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCHO}$ , or acrylic acid,  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCOOH}$ , was formed.

The infra-red spectrum above is of .....

because .....

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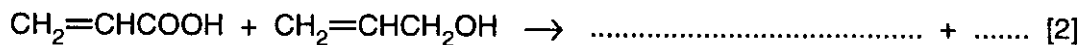
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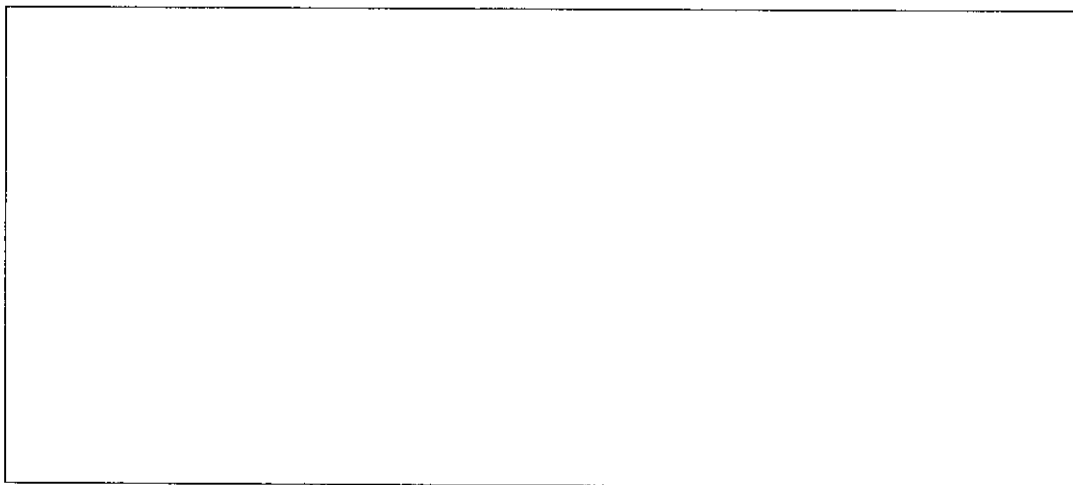
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(d) Acrylic acid reacts with prop-2-en-1-ol to produce an ester.

(i) Complete the balanced equation for this reaction.



(ii) Draw the structure of the ester. Clearly display **all** of the functional groups.



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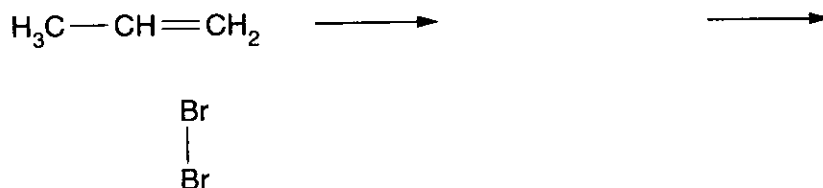
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4 Propene,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$ , is an alkene and undergoes an addition reaction with bromine.

(a) (i) State what you would **see** when propene reacts with bromine.

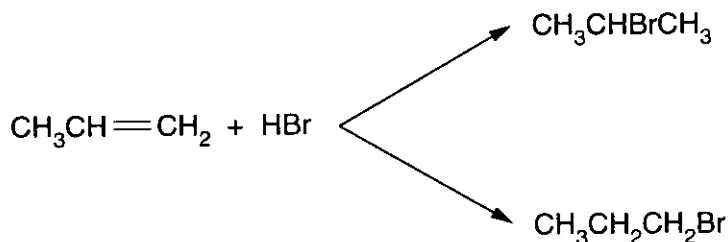
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(ii) Complete, with the aid of curly arrows, the mechanism involved in the reaction between propene and bromine. Show any relevant dipoles and charges.



[4]

(b) Propene,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$ , also reacts with HBr to produce two bromoalkanes that are structural isomers.



Propyne,  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}\equiv\text{CH}$ , reacts like propene. It reacts with HBr to give three isomers with molecular formula  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{Br}_2$ .

Draw the three isomers with molecular formula  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{Br}_2$ .

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[3]

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**QUESTION 5 IS ON PAGES 10 AND 11**





