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<b>Module Title:      Biological Chemistry 2</b>
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Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Biotechnology  
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**Instructions:**                **Attempt THREE questions.**  
**Section A is compulsory.**  
**Attempt 8 out of 10 parts from Section A.**  
**Attempt one question each from sections B and C.**  
**Show all calculations and rough work on the answer book.**

**Duration:**                    2 hours

**Sitting:**                        Semester 2 2014/15

**Requirements for this examination: Periodic Table of the Elements**

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## SECTION A

### Q1

- i) Write the equilibrium expression ( $K_c$ ) for each of the following reactions:
- $\text{H}_2 (\text{g}) + \text{Br}_2 (\text{l}) \leftrightarrow 2\text{HBr} (\text{g})$
  - $\text{CO}_2 (\text{g}) + \text{CaO} (\text{s}) \leftrightarrow \text{CaCO}_3 (\text{s})$
  - $\text{SO}_2 (\text{g}) + \frac{1}{2} \text{O}_2 (\text{g}) \leftrightarrow \text{SO}_3 (\text{g})$
  - $5\text{CO} (\text{g}) + \text{I}_2\text{O}_5 (\text{s}) \leftrightarrow \text{I}_2 (\text{g}) + 5\text{CO}_2 (\text{g})$
- ii) For the following reaction,
- $$2\text{NOCl} (\text{g}) \leftrightarrow 2\text{NO} (\text{g}) + \text{Cl}_2$$
- the equilibrium concentrations were found to be:  $[\text{NOCl}] = 0.263\text{M}$ ,  $[\text{NO}] = 0.037\text{M}$ , and  $[\text{Cl}_2] = 0.092\text{M}$ .
- Using this data calculate the equilibrium constant  $K_c$  of this reaction.
- iii) Write out the Henderson-Hasselbalch equation and explain what each term in the equation means.
- iv) a. Distinguish between a **strong and weak** acid and base.
- b. Explain how the value of the acid dissociation constant,  $K_a$ , can be used as an index to describe if a given acid is strong or weak.
- v) Calculate the  $\text{p}K_a$  values for the following species:
- $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  ( $K_a = -1.5$ )
  - $\text{NH}_3$  ( $K_a = 36$ )
  - $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4$  ( $k_a = 7$ )

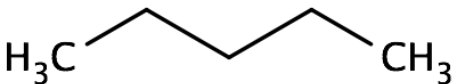
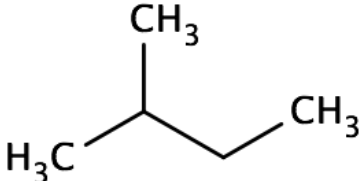
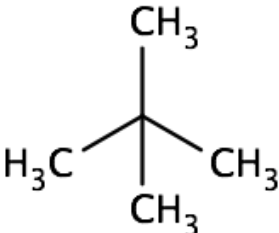
Explain why the  $\text{p}K_a$  is often used to describe the strength of an acid rather than the  $K_a$ .

- vi) Determine:
- The  $\text{pH}$  of a  $6.50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$  solution of  $\text{KOH}$
  - The  $[\text{H}^+]$  of an acid with a  $\text{pH}$  of 3.
- The  $\text{pH}$  and  $\text{pOH}$  of a  $0.05\text{M}$  solution of Carbonic Acid

- vii) Draw the following alkanes:
- 2-bromo-2-methylbutane
  - 1-bromo-3-ethyl-5-methylcyclohexane
  - 2,3,4,5,6-Pentamethyloctane

viii) Draw any four isomers of octane.

ix) Account for the difference in the boiling points of the following isomers of pentane:

Isomer	Boiling point [K]
	309
	301
	282

x) Explain the following terms

- Carbocation
- Electrophile
- Nucleophile
- Substitution Reaction
- Addition Reaction

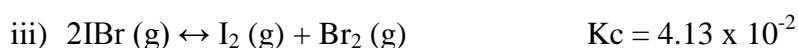
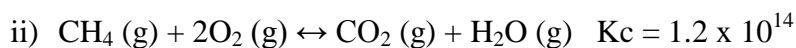
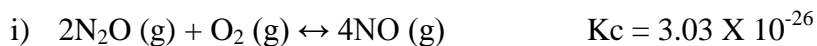
xi) Draw a 1° alcohol, a 2° alcohol and a 3° alcohol. Place them in order of increasing reactivity.

- xii)
- Define saturation and unsaturation
  - Draw the molecule benzene. How many unsaturations are there in benzene?

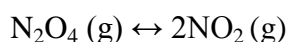
## SECTION B

### Q2

- a) Predict in the following reactions if products or reactants will predominate at equilibrium at a temperature of 25°C. Justify your answer in each case:

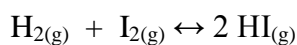


- b) Consider the following endothermic chemical reaction, where  $\Delta H = 94\text{KJ}$  :



Predict the shift in the direction of the reaction as a consequence of the following stresses:

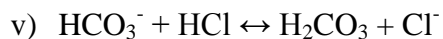
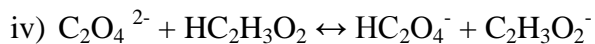
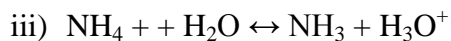
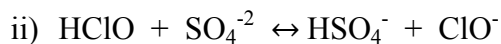
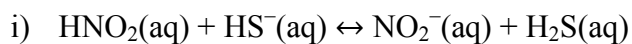
- i) An increase in the concentration of  $\text{NO}_2$
  - ii) A decrease in the volume of the reaction container.
  - iii) A decrease in the temperature.
  - iv) A decrease in the concentration of  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ .
  - v) The addition of a palladium catalyst.
- c) A 7.25 L flask is filled *initially* with 0.215 mol of HI at 698 K. What will be the concentration of  $\text{H}_2$ ,  $\text{I}_2$  and HI at equilibrium? The value of  $K_{\text{eq}}$  is 0.0184.



- d) Provide a brief explanation and draw an energy graph that shows why all chemical systems strive to attain equilibrium.

### Q3

a) In the following reactions identify the acid, the base and their respective conjugate pairs:



b) i) Derive the Henderson- Hasselbalch Equation.

ii) Consider the following dissociation reaction:



The concentration of the acetic acid,  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ , is 0.255M and the concentration of the  $\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-$  anion is 0.015M use the Henderson-Hasselbalch equation to determine the pH of the solution.

c)  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  is a weak acid and it dissociates in the following fashion:



Given that the initial concentration of  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  is 0.136M, calculate the concentration of all reaction components at equilibrium and hence determine the pH.

d) Draw the pH profile that you may expect if you:

i) titrate a strong acid with a weak base

ii) titrate a strong acid with a strong base

iii) titrate a weak acid with a weak base.

## SECTION C

**Q4 (a)** Equilin is a horse tranquiliser that consists of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen only. If 6.71 g of equilin is combusted in excess oxygen, 19.80 g of  $\text{CO}_2$  and 4.50 g of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  are produced.

(i) What are the % weights of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen in equilin?

[8 marks]

(ii) What is the empirical formula?

[4 marks]

(iii) If the molecular weight is  $268.36 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$  what is the molecular formula?

[4 marks]

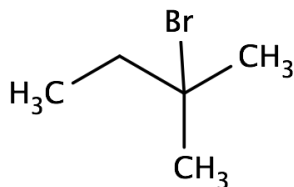
(iv) Write a balanced equation for the combustion of equilin.

[4 marks]

(b) (i) State Zaitsev's Rule

[3 marks]

(ii) For 2-bromo-2-methylbutane (in the figure below) draw the Zaitsev product.



2-bromo-2-methylbutane

[7 marks]

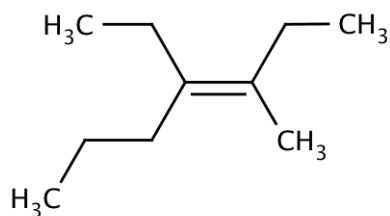
**Q5 (a)** Draw the following molecules:

(i) (2Z)-5-bromo-6-methylhept-2-ene

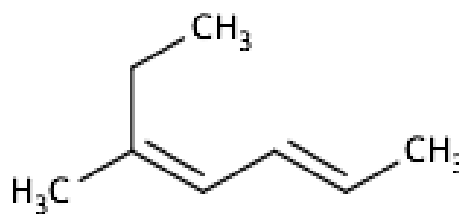
(ii) (3E,6Z)-4-ethyl-7-methylnona-1,3,6-triene

[4 marks]

(b) Name the following molecules:



(i)

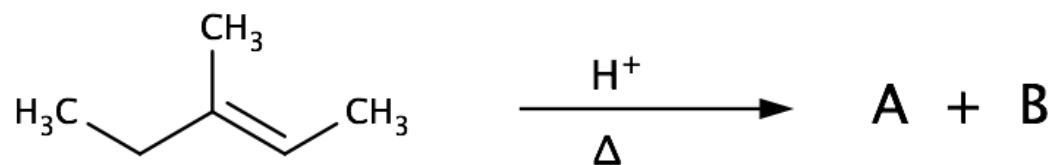


(ii)

[4 marks]

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- (c) (i) State Markovnikov's rule. [4 marks]
- (ii) For the following reaction, identify products A and B and identify the Markovnikov product.



[8 marks]

- (iii) To produce the “anti-Markovnikov” product exclusively, a different reagent is used. Name and sketch this reagent. Sketch the mechanism of the reaction explaining why the “anti-Markovnikov” is produced. [10 marks]