



A-Level Chemistry

Carbon NMR

Mark Scheme

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Marks available: 35 marks

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Mark schemes

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(a)



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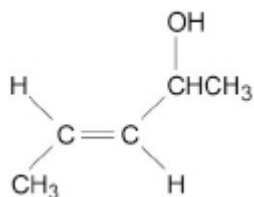
(b) Use Plane polarised light

M1

rotates (the plane of) in opposite directions

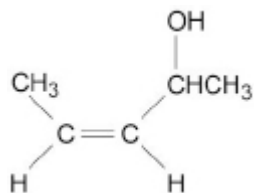
M2

(c)



Must be E isomer

M1

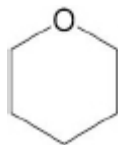


Must be Z isomer

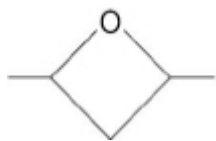
Allow 1 mark out of 2 for 2 correct structures but shown in the wrong boxes

M2

(d)



M1



M2

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(a) **M1** Amount $\text{CO}_2 = \frac{1.89}{44} = 0.043 = \text{mol C}$

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M2 Amount $\text{H}_2\text{O} = \frac{0.643}{18} = 0.0357 \text{ mol}$

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M3 Amount H = $0.036 \times 2 = 0.0714$ mol

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M4 Amount O = $0.913/16 = 0.057$ mol

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	C	H	O
	0.043	0.0714	0.057
M5	1	1.66	1.33
	3	5	4

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Alternate method

M1 mass C = $1.89 - (1.89 \times \frac{32}{44}) = 0.515$ g

M2 mass H = $1.5 - (0.515 + 0.913)$

M3 = 0.0715 g

OR mass **M2** H = $0.643 - (0.643 \times \frac{16}{18})$

M3 = 0.0714 g C H O

	C	H	O
M4	$\frac{0.515}{12} = 0.043$	$\frac{0.0715}{1} = 0.0715$	$\frac{0.913}{16} = 0.057$
M5	1	1.66	1.33
	3	5	4

(b) **M1** Amount H₂O = $0.26/18 = 0.014$ mol

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M2 Amount H₃Y.xH₂O = $3/210 = 0.014$ mol

or

Amount of H₃Y = $2.74/192 = 0.014$ mol

(hence ratio 1:1)

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Common alternate method

M1 Amount H₃Y .xH₂O = $3/210 = 0.0143$ mol

M2 $M_r \times H_3Y = \frac{2.74}{0.0143} = 192$

$M_r H_2O = 210 - 192 = 18$

(hence x= 1)

(c) 2(-) Hydroxy

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(d) Number of peaks = 4

Allow Four

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3.

(a) 4 peaks

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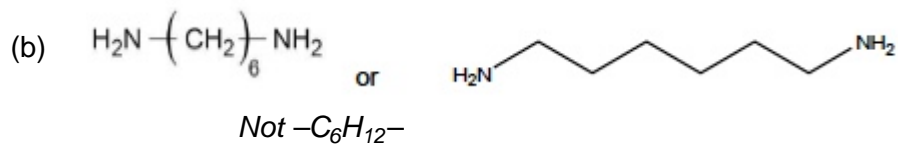
Triplet

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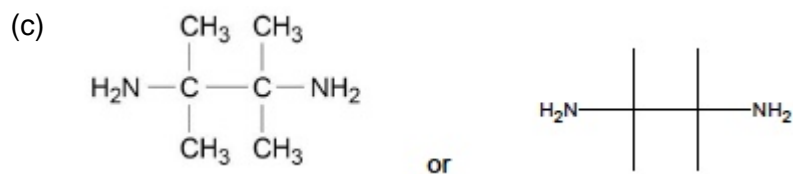
Two H on adjacent C

M3 dependent on correct M2

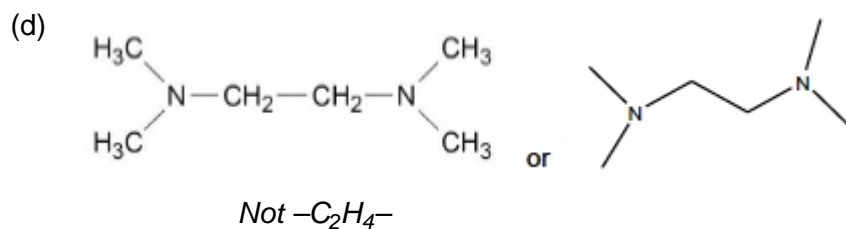
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(a) (i) There are three pairs of equivalent carbon atoms

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(ii) 75ppm

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(b) (i) 4

1

(ii) 2

1

(c) Each structure can represent a pair of cis/Z and trans/E isomers
OR
Optical isomers

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6.(a) Cyclopentanone*Allow cyclopentan -1-one but no other numbers**Ignore spaces, commas and hyphens*

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(b)

This question is marked using Levels of Response. Refer to the Mark Scheme Instructions for Examiners for guidance.	
Level 3 5-6 marks	All stages are covered and each stage is generally correct and virtually complete. Answer is well structured with no repetition or irrelevant points. Accurate and clear expression of ideas with no errors in use of technical terms.
Level 2 3-4 marks	All stages are covered but stage(s) may be incomplete or may contain inaccuracies OR two stages are covered and are generally correct and virtually complete. Answer shows some attempt at structure Ideas are expressed with reasonable clarity with, perhaps, some repetition or some irrelevant points. Some minor errors in use of technical terms
Level 1 1-2 marks	Two stages are covered but stage(s) may be incomplete or may contain inaccuracies OR only one stage is covered but is generally correct and virtually complete. Answer includes isolated statements and these are presented in a logical order. Answer may contain valid points which are not clearly linked. Errors in the use of technical terms.
0 marks	Insufficient correct chemistry to gain a mark.

Indicative Chemistry content**Stage 1:** boiling points1a) **Y** has a higher bp1b) **Y** has H-bonds between molecules and **X** has dip-dip imf

1c) More energy required to overcome H-bonds

*Mention of covalent bond breaking loses 1c***Stage 2:** ¹³C NMR2a) Both have 3 peaks/absorptions in their ¹³C NMR2b) **X** has peaks at 20-50 **OR** 190-220ppm2c) **Y** has peaks at 50-90 **OR** 90-150ppm*(Ignore peaks at 5-40ppm - present in both)*

Stage 3: ir

3a) **X** has a peak (for C=O) at 1680-1750 cm^{-1}

3b) **Y** has peak (for O-H) at 3230-3550 cm^{-1}

OR peak (for C=C) at 1620-1680 cm^{-1}

3c) They would have different fingerprint regions (below 1500 cm^{-1})

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