Long Answer Questions (PYQ)

- Q.1. Answer the following question :
- Q. What happens when
 - a. phenol reacts with bromine water?
 - b. ethanol reacts with CH₃COCI/pyridine?
 - c. anisole reacts with HI?

Write the chemical equations involved in the above reactions.

Ans.



- a. Ethanol and phenol
- b. Propan-2-ol and 2-methylpropan-2-ol

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Ans.

a. Phenol gives violet colouration with FeCl₃ solution but ethanol does not.

- b. Propan-2-ol when warmed with I₂ in NaOH gives yellow precipitate of iodoform while 2methylpropan-2-ol does not respond to this test.

Q.2. Answer the following question :

Q. Write equations of the following reactions:

- a. Bromine in CS₂ with phenol
- b. Treating phenol with chloroform in the presence of aq. NaOH
- c. Anisole reacts with HI

Ans.



Q. Distinguish between

- a. Ethanol and Diethyl ether
- b. Propanol and t-butyl alcohol

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Ans.

a. Ethanol when warmed with I₂ in NaOH gives yellow precipitate of iodoform while diethyl ether does not.

 b. tert-butyl alcohol on treatment with the Lucas reagent immediately gives turbidity while propanol does not produce turbidity at room temperature.



Q.3. Answer the following question :

Q. Write the formula of reagents used in the following reactions:

- a. Bromination of phenol to 2, 4, 6-tribromophenol
- b. Hydroboration of propene and then oxidation to propanol.

Ans.

- **a.** Br₂(*aq*)
- **b.** B_2H_6 , H_2O , H_2O_2 and OH^-

Q. Arrange the following compound groups in the increasing order of their property indicated:

- a. p-nitrophenol, ethanol, phenol (acidic character)
- b. Propanol, propane, propanal (boiling point)

Ans.

- **a.** Ethanol < Phenol < *p*-nitrophenol
- **b.** Propane < Propanal < Propanol

Long Answer Questions (OIQ)

Q.1. Answer the following question :

Q. Write mechanism of the reaction of HI with methoxymethane.

Ans. The cleavage of methoxymethane with HI follows $S_N 2$ mechanism.



If excess of HI is used, methyl alcohol formed in step II further reacts with another molecule of HI to form CH₃I.

Step III:



Q. Identify A and B in the following reactions:



Ans.



Q. Give the structure and the IUPAC name of the major product obtained in the following reaction



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Ans.



Q.2. How are the following conversions carried out?

- a. Propanol to propan-2-ol
- b. Propanol to 1-propoxypropane

Ans.

a. CH₃— CH₂— CH₂— OH
$$\xrightarrow{H_{2}O_{4}(\operatorname{consc}.)}$$
 CH₃— CH = CH₂ $\xrightarrow{H_{2}O/H^{+}}$ CH₃— $\stackrel{|}{\underset{\operatorname{Propan-2-ol}}{\overset{|}{\operatorname{Propan-2-ol}}}$
b. CH₃— CH₂— CH₂— OH $\xrightarrow{H_{2}O_{4}(\operatorname{consc}.)}$ CH₃— CH₂— CH₂— O— CH₂— CH₂— CH₃ + H₂O

Q. Explain the following behaviours:

- a. —OH group attached to a carbon of benzene ring activates it towards electrophilic substitution.
- b. Reactivity of all the three classes of alcohols with conc. HCl and ZnCl₂ is different.
- c. Anisole reacts with HI to give phenol and methyl iodide and not iodobenzene and methyl alcohol.

Ans. (a). Due to +R effect of the OH group, the electron density in the benzene ring increases thereby facilitating the attack by an electrophile. Further, the electron density is relatively higher at the *o*- and *p*-positions, therefore, electrophilic substitution occurs mainly at *o*- and *p*-positions.



(b) The reaction of alcohols with conc. HCl and ZnCl₂ takes place through intermediate formation of carbonium ions. Greater the stability of carbonium ion greater is the reactivity of alcohol. Due to +ve I effect of alkyl groups the stability of carbonium ion follows the order $1^{\circ} < 2^{\circ} < 3^{\circ}$. As a result of this reactivity of alcohols towards conc. HCl and ZnCl₂ follows the same order *i.e.*, $1^{\circ} < 2^{\circ} < 3^{\circ}$.

c. Protonation of anisole gives oxonium ion
$$\begin{pmatrix} C_6H_5 - \overset{\bullet \bullet}{\overset{\bullet}O} & \\ & & \\ H \end{pmatrix}$$
. The bond

between $O-CH_3$ is weaker than the bond between $O-C_6H_5$ because the carbon of phenyl group is sp_2 hybridised and there is partial double bond character. Therefore, the attack by I– ion breaks $O-CH_3$ bond to give methyl iodide and phenol.

Q.3. Answer the following question :

Q.

- a. How will you convert phenol to benzoic acid?
- b. An organic compound A having molecular formula C₆H₆O gives a characteristic colour with aqueous FeCl₃solution. A on treatment with CO₂ and NaOH at 400 K under pressure gives B which on acidification gives a compound C. The compound C reacts with acetyl chloride to give D which is a popular pain killer. Deduce the structure of A, B, C and D.

Ans.



Q.

- a. The acid strength of alcohols decreases in the order $R-CH_2OH > R > CH-OH > R R > C-OH$
- b. Phenol is more easily nitrated than benzene.

Ans.

a. The acidic character of alcohols is due to the polar nature of O—H bond. As alkyl groups have +I effect, therefore, electron density on oxygen increases from 1° to 3° alcohols. In other words, the O—H bond in 3° alcohols is most polar whereas it is least polar in 1° alcohols. Thus, the acid strength of alcohols follows the order

$$R - CH_2OH > R > CH - OH > R R > C - OH$$

b. Nitration involves attack of electrophile nitronium (NO_2) ion on benzene ring. Due to +R effect of O-H group electron density increases at ortho and para position in phenol. Therefore, phenol is more easily nitrated than benzene.

Q.4. An aromatic compound 'A' on treatment with CHCl₃/KOH gives two compounds 'B' and 'C'. Both B and C give the same product 'D' when distilled with zinc dust. Oxidation of D gives E having molecular formula $C_7H_6O_2$. The sodium salt of E on heating with sodalime gives F which may also be obtained by distilling A with zinc dust. Identify A to F.

Ans.

