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: Chemistry

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General Instructions

- 1. Read all instructions carefully before answering the questions.
- 2. This question paper consists of 06 questions in 05 pages.
- 3. Answer 04 questions only. All questions carry equal marks.
- 4. Answer for each question should commence from a new page.
- 5. Draw fully labelled diagrams where necessary
- 6. Having any unauthorized documents/mobile phones in your possession is a punishable offense
- 7. Use blue or black ink to answer the questions.
- 8. Circle the number of the questions you answered in the front cover of your answer script.
- 9. Clearly state your index number in your answer script.

Questions 1, 2, 3 and 4 are COMPULSARY for students registered for CYU5300. Questions 5 and 6 are ONLY for students registered for CMU3122.

1. (a) (i) Give the IUPAC name of $[PtCl(Me)(\eta^2-C_2H_4)(CO)]$ (A). (ii) Draw the structures of three geometrical isomers of (A). (20 marks) (b) Draw the structures of the following complexes. (i) $[Fe(CN)(CO)(\eta^3-C_5H_5)(\eta^4-C_4H_4)]$ (ii) (η¹-allyl)tricarbonyl(η⁵-cyclopentadienyl)molybdenum (20 marks) (c) (i) Determine the valence electron count (VEC) of the complex $(\eta^1$ -allyl)tricarbonyl $(\eta^5$ -cyclopentadienyl)molybdenum, using the **covalent model**. (Indicate in your work out, the electron contribution made by each ligand). (ii) What is the coordination number of Mo in this complex? (Group no. of Mo = 6) (14 marks) (d) K₃[Co(CN)₅] activates H₂ homolytically. Write a balanced equation for this reaction. (10 marks) (e) Using an orbital diagram explain the bonding between a metal (M) and the ligand in [M–C≡CMe]. (16 marks) (f) Suggest reagent(s) or active catalyst(s) which can be used to carry out the following conversions. (i) CH₃OH + CO \rightarrow CH₃CO₂H (ii) $[Fe(CO)_5] \rightarrow [HFe(CO)_4]^-$ (iii) $CH_2=CH_2 + \frac{1}{2}O_2 \rightarrow CH_3CHO$ (iv) $[TiCl_4] \rightarrow [TiCl_3(Me)]$ (20 marks) 2. (a) (i) [Co₂(CO)₈] is a coordinatively saturated symmetrical compound. Using valence electron count, show that there is a metal-metal bond. (ii) In the solid state it shows bridging carbonyl ligands, draw the structure of the solid $[Co_2(CO)_8]$. (Group no. of Co = 9) (iii) Arrange the following compounds in the increasing order of carbonyl stretching frequency. Explain your answer. $[Rh(CF_3)(CO)(PEt_3)_2]$, $[RhMe(CO)(PEt_3)_2]$ and $[RhI(CO)(PEt_3)_2]$. (25 marks) (b) Draw the structures of four isomers of [RuBr₂(dppe)(CO)₂]. dppe = PPh₂CH₂CH₂PPh₂ is a bidentate ligand. (20 marks) (c) Reduction of the carbonyl-bridged dimer [(n⁵-Cp)Fe(CO)₂]₂ with K gives the mononuclear 18e-salt (B). (B) reacts with allyl iodide (CH₂=CHCH₂I) to give the neutral 18e-complex (C) and KI. Upon heating, (C) is converted into an 18e-complex (D) with a loss of carbonyl ligand. Identify (B), (C) and (D).

(30 marks)

- (d) (i) What is a carbene ligand?
 - (ii) Give an example each for Fischer and Schrock carbenes.
 - (iii) Write a short account on Fischer carbenes.

(25 marks)

3. (a) TiEt₄ decomposes as shown below.

- (i) $TiEt_4 \rightarrow [TiEt_2] + (\mathbf{E})$
- (ii) $TiEt_4 \rightarrow [Ti(H)Et_3] + (F)$
- (iii) $[Ti(H)Et_3] \rightarrow [TiEt_2] + (G)$

Identify the type of each reaction (i), (ii) and (iii); and the molecules (E), (F) and (G).

- (b) (i) What is an agostic interaction?
 - (ii) [(η⁵-C₅H₅)Co(Et)(PMe₃)]⁺ (K) has an agostic ethyl group. Draw the structure of (K). Draw the structure of expected 18e-cobalt hydride (L) that would be formed due to the cleavage of this agostic C–H bond.
 (20 marks)
- (c) The alkoxyCo(I) complex [(OC)₃CoOCH₂Ph] undergoes β-hydride abstraction to give the aldehyde (M) and the 16e Co(I) complex (N). (N) reacts with CH₂=CH₂ to give the 16e alkyl-complex (O). In the presence of carbon monoxide,
 (O) undergoes migratory insertion reaction to give the acyl complex (P). Identify the compounds (M), (N), (O) and (P).
- (d) (i) Define the terms Turnover number (TON) and Turnover frequency (TOF).
 - (ii) In the presence of the catalyst [Pd(PPh₃)₄] (2x10⁻⁵ mmol), iodoethane (24 mmol) reacts **completely** with CH₂=CH₂ (24 mmol) to give 1-butene. The reaction time is 5 min. Calculate TON and TOF for this process. (20 marks)
- 4. Predict the major product(s) formed of each of the following reactions, using the hint given in the brackets.

(a)
$$[Fe(CO)_5] + 1,3$$
 - butadiene \rightarrow (disubstitution) (10 marks)

(b)
$$2[Co(CN)_5]^{3-} + CH_3CH_2I \rightarrow (1e\text{-oxidative addition})$$
 (10 marks)

(c)
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-{RhI₃(COMe)(CO)₂} \rightarrow (reductive elimination) (12 marks)

(d)
$$[(\eta^5 - C_5 H_5)_2 \text{TaMe}_2]^{\dagger} + \text{NaOMe} \rightarrow \text{(deprotonation)}$$
 (10 marks)

(e)
$$[(\eta^5 - C_5 H_5)_2 Zr(H)Cf] + MeC = CMe \rightarrow (coordination + insertion)$$
 (12 marks)

(f)
$$[CpFe(\eta^2-CH_2=CH_2)(CO)_2]^{+} + NMe_3 \rightarrow (nucleophilic attack on olefin)$$
 (10 marks)

(g)
$$[(\eta^5-C_5H_5)_2Zr(N_2)_2] + 2CH_2=C=CH_2 \rightarrow (substitution + oxidative coupling)$$
 (12 marks)

(h) 2-Bromopyridine + PhMgBr → (Grignard coupling)

(12 marks)

(i) $[(\eta^5-Cp)Fe(\eta^1-CH_2CH=CH_2)(CO)_2] + HCl \rightarrow (electrophilic addition)$

(12 marks)

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- 5. (a) Iodobenzene oxidatively adds to [RhH(PPh₃)₃] to give the 18e-complex (J).
 (J) reductively eliminates an aromatic hydrocarbon (K) while forming an 16e-complex (L). With PhLi, (L) gives the phenyl-complex (M). Coordination of CH₂=CH₂ to (M) gives the 18e alkene-complex (N). (N) undergoes 1,2-insertion reaction to give the alkyl-complex (O). In the presence of CO, (O) undergoes 1,1-insertion reaction to give the 16e-complex (P). Identify (J), (K), (L), (M), (N), (O) and (P).
 - (b) (i) The 18e-cation [(η²-Cp)₂MoH(η²-CH₂=CH₂)]+ reacts with hydride ion (H⁻) to give the neutral 18e complex (Q) which in the presence of PPh₃ gives the 18e-complex (R) and eliminates an organic molecule. Identify (Q) and (R).
 (ii) trans-[PdMe₂(PPh₃)₂] does not form ethane easily. Explain.
 (28 marks)
 - (c) Acetophenone Ph(C=O)Me reacts with hydrazine (NH₂NH₂) to give the E-hydrazone (X). The reaction of (X) with [PdCl₂(NCPh)₂] activate the methyl group to give the chloride-bridged Pd(II) dimer (Y) containing a 5-membered chelate ring. Draw the **structures** of (X) and (Y).

(20 marks)

- (d) What are the two aldehydes formed by hydroformylation of PhCH₂CH=CH₂? (10 marks)
- 6. (a) How would you prepare the **acyl** cation [Pt{C(=O)Et}(CO)₃]⁺ from [PtH(CO)₃]⁺.

(20 marks)

(b) [NiH(CN)(PPh₃)₂] catalyzes the hydrocyanation of PhCH=CH₂ to give PhCH₂CH₂CN. Draw the catalytic cycle for this process.

(30 marks)

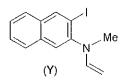
(c) How would you account for the variation in the N≡N stretching frequency of the following compounds?

Compound $v(N\equiv N)$ in cm⁻¹ free N₂ 2330 [Ni(N₂)] 2088 [Ni(N₂)₂] 2187

(15 marks)

(d) The following molecule (Y) undergoes an intramolecular Heck reaction to give the derivative (Z). Draw the structure of (Z).

(15 marks)



- (e) (i) **Draw** and **name** three coordination modes of hydride ligand. Give an example each.
 - (ii) What are polyhydrides?

(20 marks)

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