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Paper 4 A Level Structured Questions **February/March 2020**

2 hours

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: Data booklet

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
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- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
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INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 100.
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Answer **all** the questions in the spaces provided.

1 Iron is a transition element in the fourth period. Iron forms compounds containing the ions Fe^{2+} and Fe^{3+}.

(a) (i) Define the term *transition element*.

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..... [1]

(ii) Compare the melting point and density of iron with those of calcium, an s-block element in the fourth period.

melting point .....

density .....
[1]

(iii) Complete the electronic configuration of an isolated gaseous Fe^{2+} ion.

$1s^2$ ..... [1]

(iv) Aqueous Fe^{3+} ions form coloured complexes.

Explain the origin of the colour in transition element complexes.

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(b) When an excess of $CN^-(aq)$ ions is added to green $[Fe(H_2O)_6]^{2+}(aq)$ ions, yellow $[Fe(CN)_6]^{4-}$ complex ions are formed.

Heating $[Fe(CN)_6]^{4-}$ with dilute nitric acid and then neutralising the product with $Na_2CO_3(aq)$ produces red crystals, containing the $[Fe(CN)_5NO]^{2-}$ complex ion.

NO is a neutral, monodentate ligand.

(i) State the shape of the $[Fe(H_2O)_6]^{2+}(aq)$ complex ion.

..... [1]

(ii) Write the equation for the reaction between $[Fe(H_2O)_6]^{2+}(aq)$ ions and an excess of $CN^-(aq)$ ions.

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(iii) Deduce the oxidation states of iron in:

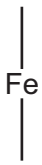
$[Fe(CN)_6]^{4-}$ ..... $[Fe(CN)_5NO]^{2-}$. .....
[1]

(iv) Define the term *monodentate ligand*.

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..... [2]

(v) Complete the diagram to show the three-dimensional structure of the $[Fe(CN)_5NO]^{2-}$ complex ion.



[1]

(vi) The two complex ions $[Fe(CN)_6]^{4-}$ and $[Fe(CN)_5NO]^{2-}$ are different colours.

Explain why the colours of the two complex ions are different.

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(c) **E** is a complex ion, $[Fe(C_2O_4)_2Cl_2]^{4-}$, containing Fe^{2+} with a coordination number of 6.

(i) Define the term *coordination number*.

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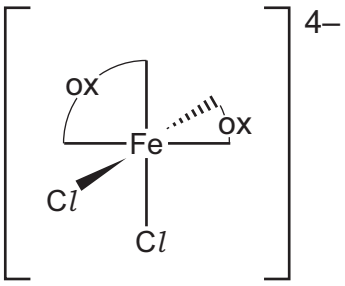
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(ii) **E** shows both optical isomerism and *cis-trans* isomerism.

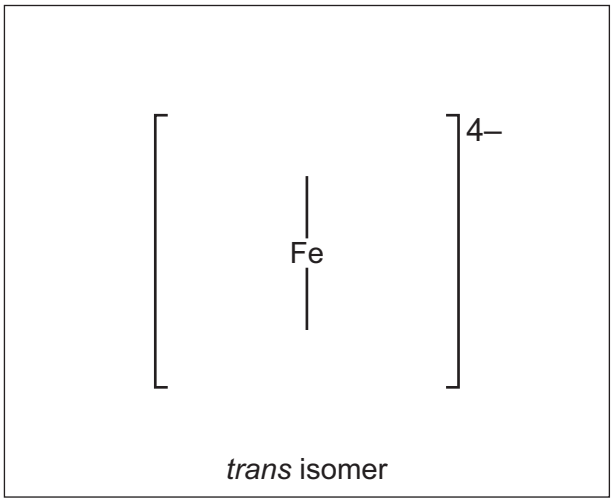
One isomer of **E** is shown. The $C_2O_4^{2-}$ ion is represented as ox.

In the boxes, draw three-dimensional diagrams to show:
- the *trans* isomer of **E**
- the optical isomer of **E**.

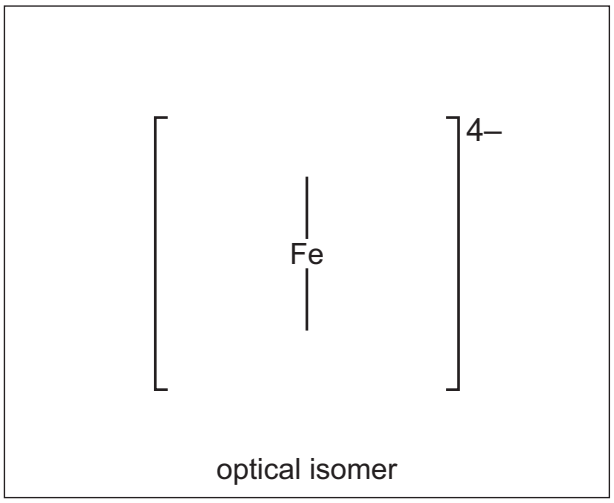
E



cis isomer



trans isomer



optical isomer

[2]

(iii) $[Fe(C_2O_4)_2Cl_2]^{4-}$ contains ligands which are anions of ethanedioic acid, HO_2CCO_2H.

Complete the table to show any observations for the reactions of HO_2CCO_2H with the named reagents.

Where no change is observed, write 'none'.

reagent	observations with HO_2CCO_2H
warm acidified manganate(VII)	
2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine	
warm Tollens' reagent	

[2]

[Total: 20]

2 **(a)** Group 2 metals form stable carbonates and sulfates.

(i) State and explain the trend in the thermal stability of the Group 2 carbonates down the group.

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..... [3]

(ii) The sulfates of Group 2 elements become less soluble down the group.

Explain this trend.

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..... [3]

(b) Aluminium is extracted from Al_2O_3 by electrolysis. Al_2O_3 is dissolved in cryolite in this process.

(i) The half-equation for the reaction at the anode is shown.

$$O^{2-} + C \rightarrow CO + 2e^-$$

Use this half-equation to write the ionic equation for the electrolysis of Al_2O_3.

..... [1]

(ii) Aluminium oxide is electrolysed for 3.0 hours using carbon electrodes and a current of 3.5×10^5 A.

Calculate the mass of aluminium that is formed.

mass of aluminium = ... g [3]

(iii) Cryolite can be made from SiF_4.

The first step in this conversion is the reaction of SiF_4 with H_2O, forming H_2SiF_6 and SiO_2.

Write an equation for this reaction.

..... [1]

[Total: 11]

3 Gold is an unreactive metal that can only be oxidised under specific conditions.

(a) The standard electrode potential, $E^{\ominus}$, of $Au^{3+}(aq)/Au(s)$ is +1.50 V.

(i) Define the term *standard electrode potential*.

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..... [2]

(ii) Draw a fully labelled diagram of the apparatus that should be used to measure the standard cell potential, $E^{\ominus}_{cell}$, of $Au^{3+}(aq)/Au(s)$ and $HNO_3(aq)/NO(g)$.

Include all necessary chemicals.

[4]

Some relevant half-equations and their standard electrode potentials are given.

	half-equation	$E^{\ominus}$/V
1	$Au^{3+}(aq) + 3e^- \rightleftharpoons Au(s)$	+1.50
2	$[AuCl_4]^-(aq) + 3e^- \rightleftharpoons Au(s) + 4Cl^-(aq)$	+1.00
3	$NO_3^-(aq) + 4H^+(aq) + 3e^- \rightleftharpoons NO(g) + 2H_2O(l)$	+0.96

(iii) Write an ionic equation to show the spontaneous reaction that occurs when an electric current is drawn from the cell in **(a)(ii)**.

..... [1]

(iv) Calculate the $E^{\ominus}_{cell}$ of the reaction in **(a)(iii)**.

$E^{\ominus}_{cell}$ = ... V [1]

(v) Gold can be oxidised by a mixture of concentrated hydrochloric acid and concentrated nitric acid, known as *aqua regia*. Concentrated hydrochloric acid is 12 mol dm^{-3}. Concentrated nitric acid is 16 mol dm^{-3}.

Explain why *aqua regia* is able to dissolve gold.

In your answer, state and explain what effect the use of concentrated hydrochloric acid and concentrated nitric acid have on the *E* values of half-equations 2 and 3.

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..... [3]

(b) Aqueous gold(III) chloride, $AuCl_3$, reacts with aqueous hydrogen peroxide, H_2O_2, under certain conditions, forming Au, O_2 and HCl.

A student carries out separate experiments using different initial concentrations of $AuCl_3$ and H_2O_2. The initial rate of each reaction is measured.

The table shows the results that are obtained.

experiment	$[AuCl_3]$ / mol dm^{-3}	$[H_2O_2]$ / mol dm^{-3}	rate of production of $O_2(g)$ / dm^3 minute^{-1}
1	0.05	0.50	7.66×10^{-2}
2	0.10	0.50	1.53×10^{-1}
3	0.15	1.00	4.60×10^{-1}

(i) Write an equation for the reaction of $AuCl_3$ with H_2O_2.

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(ii) Determine the rate equation of the reaction.

Show your reasoning, quoting data from the table.

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(iii) Use the results of experiment 2 to calculate the value of the rate constant, *k*, for this reaction.

Include the units of *k*.

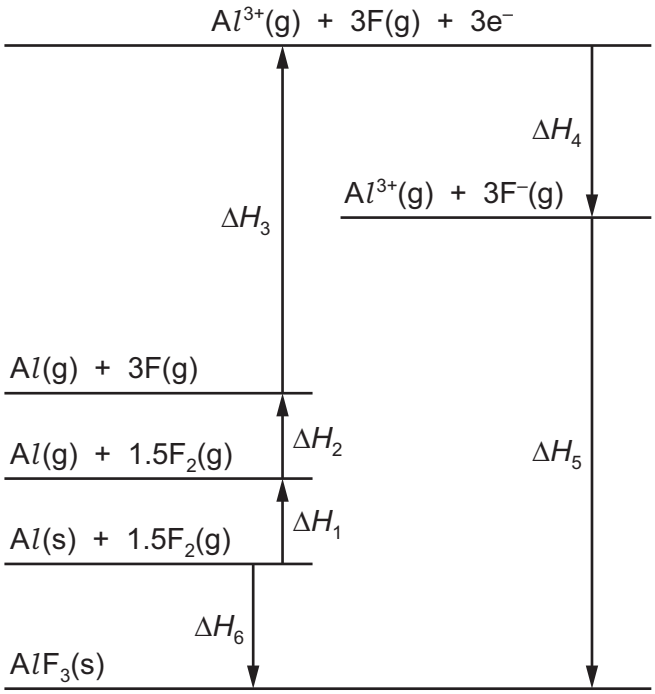
rate constant, *k* = ...

units = ...
[2]

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(c) $Al F_3$ is an ionic compound.

The Born–Haber cycle for the formation of $Al F_3$ is shown.



(i) Name the enthalpy changes labelled ΔH_4 and ΔH_6.

ΔH_4 = ...

ΔH_6 = ...

[2]

(ii) Use the data in the table and data from the *Data Booklet* to calculate the lattice energy of $Al F_3$.

process	enthalpy change / kJ mol^{-1}
$Al(s) \rightarrow Al(g)$	+326
$Al(g) \rightarrow Al^{3+}(g)$	+5137
$F(g) \rightarrow F^-(g)$	–328
$Al(s) + 1.5F_2(g) \rightarrow AlF_3(s)$	–1504

lattice energy of $Al F_3$ = ... kJ mol^{-1} [2]

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(iii) Scandium fluoride, ScF_3, is an ionic compound.

Use data from the *Data Booklet* to suggest how the lattice energy of $Al F_3$ compares with the lattice energy of ScF_3.

Explain your answer.

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..... [2]

(d) $Al F_3$ is sparingly soluble in water. The concentration of its saturated solution at 298 K is 6.5×10^{-2} mol dm^{-3}.

(i) Write an expression for the solubility product, K_{sp}, of $Al F_3$.

K_{sp} = ... [1]

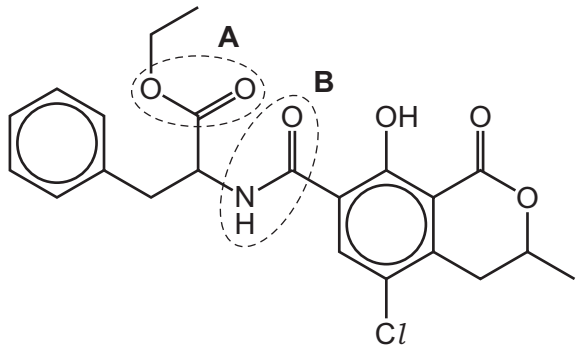
(ii) Calculate the numerical value of K_{sp} for $Al F_3$ at 298 K.

K_{sp} = ...
[1]

[Total: 25]

4 Compound **F** has been found in small quantities in some cereals and dried fruit.

F



(a) (i) Give the name of the functional groups labelled **A** and **B**.

A .....

B .....
[2]

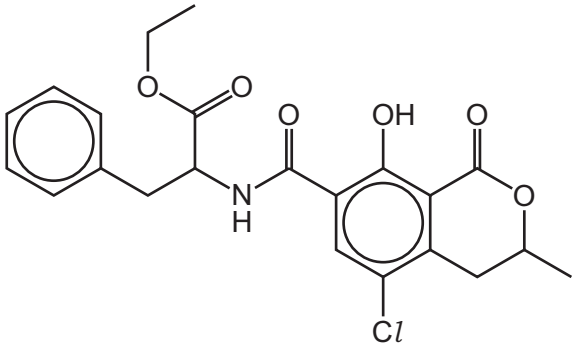
(ii) State the number of chiral carbon atoms in one molecule of **F**.

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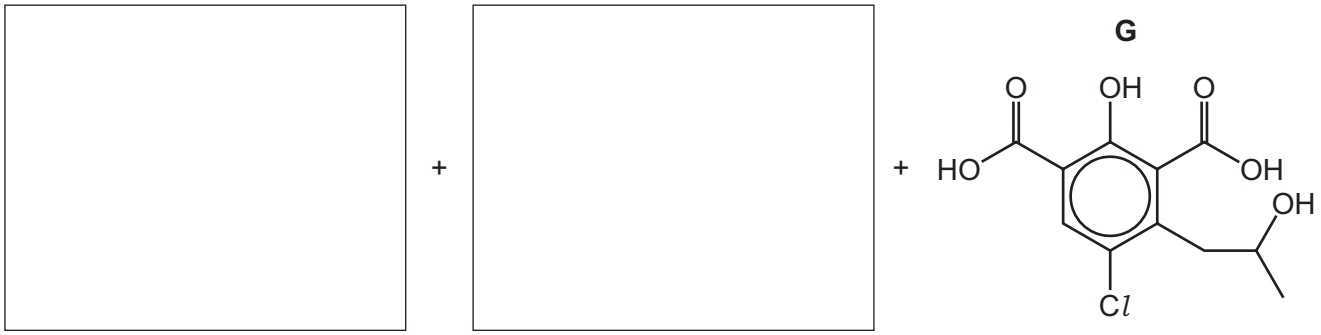
(b) **F** can be hydrolysed by heating with an excess of dilute hydrochloric acid, as shown.

Three products are formed: **G** and two others.

F

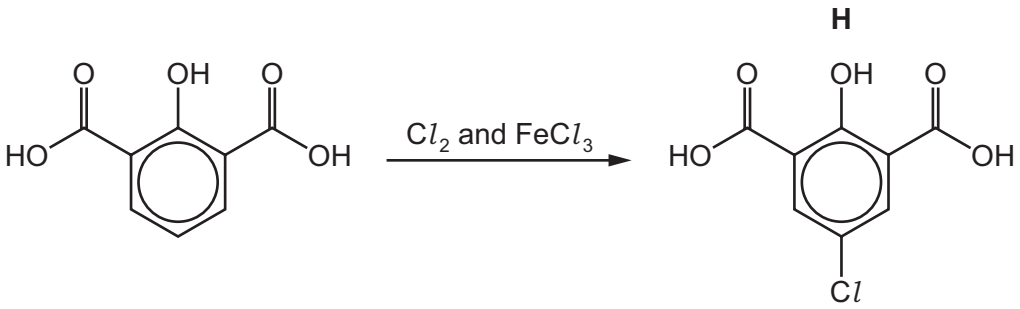


excess dilute HCl



Draw the structures of the other products of the reaction in the boxes provided. [3]

(c) Compound **H** is formed in one step of a different synthesis, as shown.



(i) State the role of $FeCl_3$ in this step.

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(ii) Use the *Data Booklet* to suggest **two** reasons why the chlorine atom in compound **H** substitutes into the ring at the position shown, instead of the other positions in the ring.

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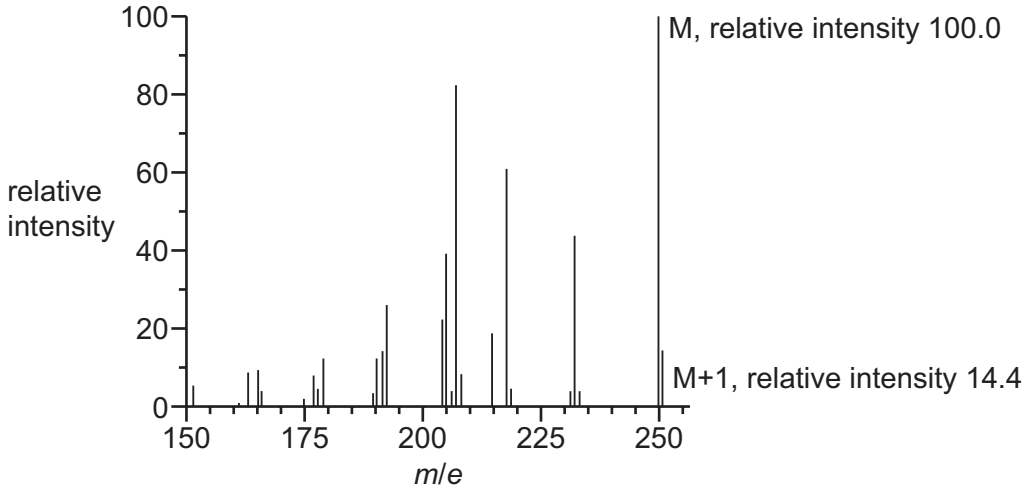
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[2]

(d) Compound **J**, $C_xH_yO_z$, is also found in some cereals.

Part of the mass spectrum of **J** is shown. The M and M+1 peaks are labelled, along with their relative intensities.



(i) Calculate the number of carbon atoms, *x*, present in **J**.

x = ... [2]

(ii) The mass spectrum has a peak at *m*/*e* = 205.

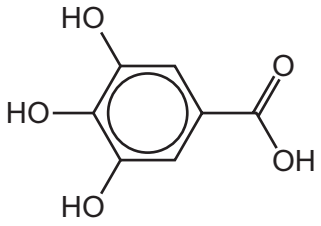
Suggest the identity of the fragment lost from **J** to form this peak.

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[Total: 12]

5 Gallic acid, $C_7H_6O_5$, is a naturally occurring aromatic molecule.

gallic acid



(a) Gallic acid contains the carboxylic acid and phenol functional groups.

State and explain the relative acid strength of these two functional groups.

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..... [2]

(b) A buffer solution was prepared by dissolving 2.04 g of gallic acid in 250 cm^3 of a solution containing 0.0600 mol dm^{-3} of gallate ions, $C_7H_5O_5^-$.

$$C_7H_6O_5 \rightleftharpoons C_7H_5O_5^- + H^+ \qquad K_a = 3.89 \times 10^{-5}\,\text{mol dm}^{-3} \text{ at } 298\,\text{K}$$

(i) Define the term *buffer solution*.

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..... [2]

(ii) Calculate the pH of this buffer solution.

pH = ... [3]

(iii) Write **two** equations to show how a solution containing gallic acid, $C_7H_6O_5$, and gallate ions, $C_7H_5O_5^-$, acts as a buffer.

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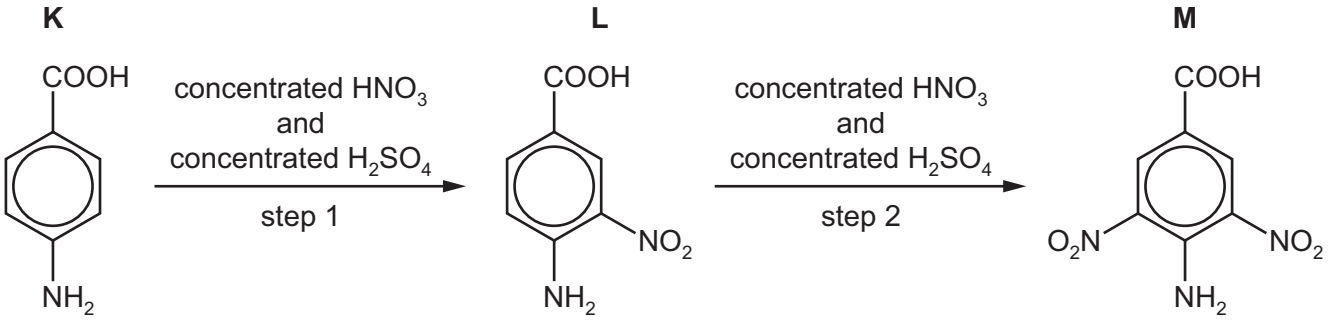
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(c) Compound **K** is used as the starting material in a synthesis of gallic acid.

A student suggested the first two steps of the synthesis could be as shown.



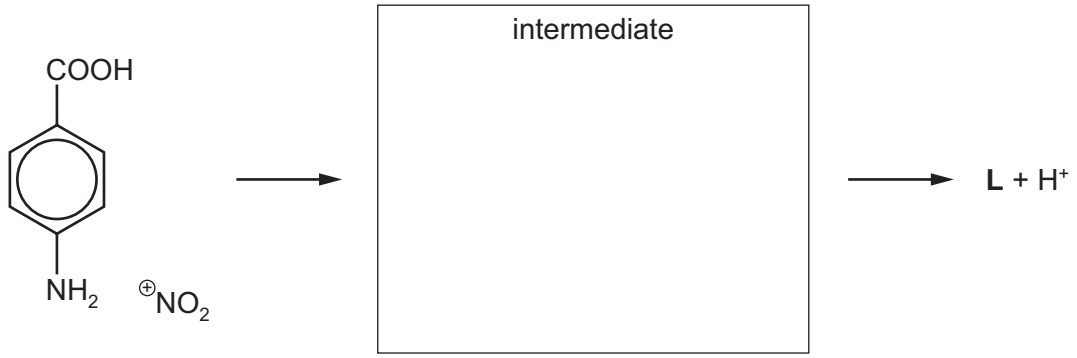
Nitronium ions, NO_2^+, are generated by the reaction between concentrated sulfuric acid and concentrated nitric acid.

(i) Construct an equation for the formation of NO_2^+ by this method.

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(ii) Complete the mechanism and draw the intermediate of step 1.

Include all relevant charges and curly arrows to show the movement of electron pairs.

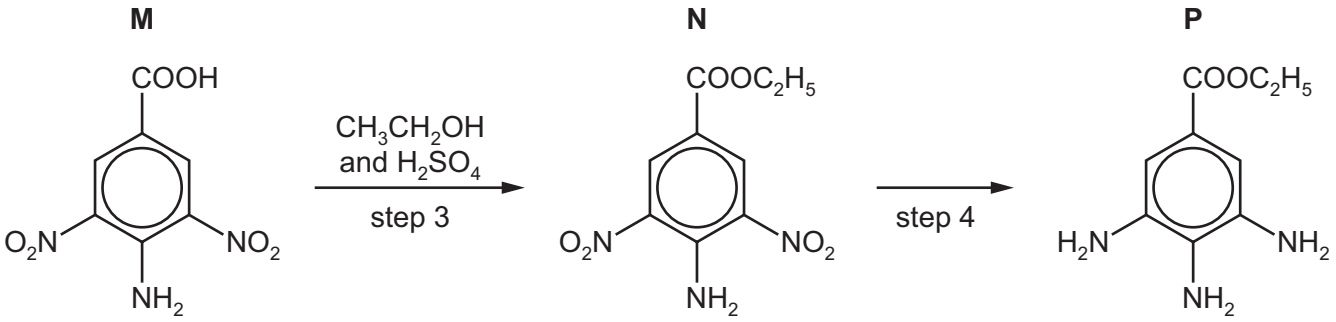


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(iii) State the name of the mechanism in **(c)(ii)**.

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Compound **M** is converted into compound **P** as shown.

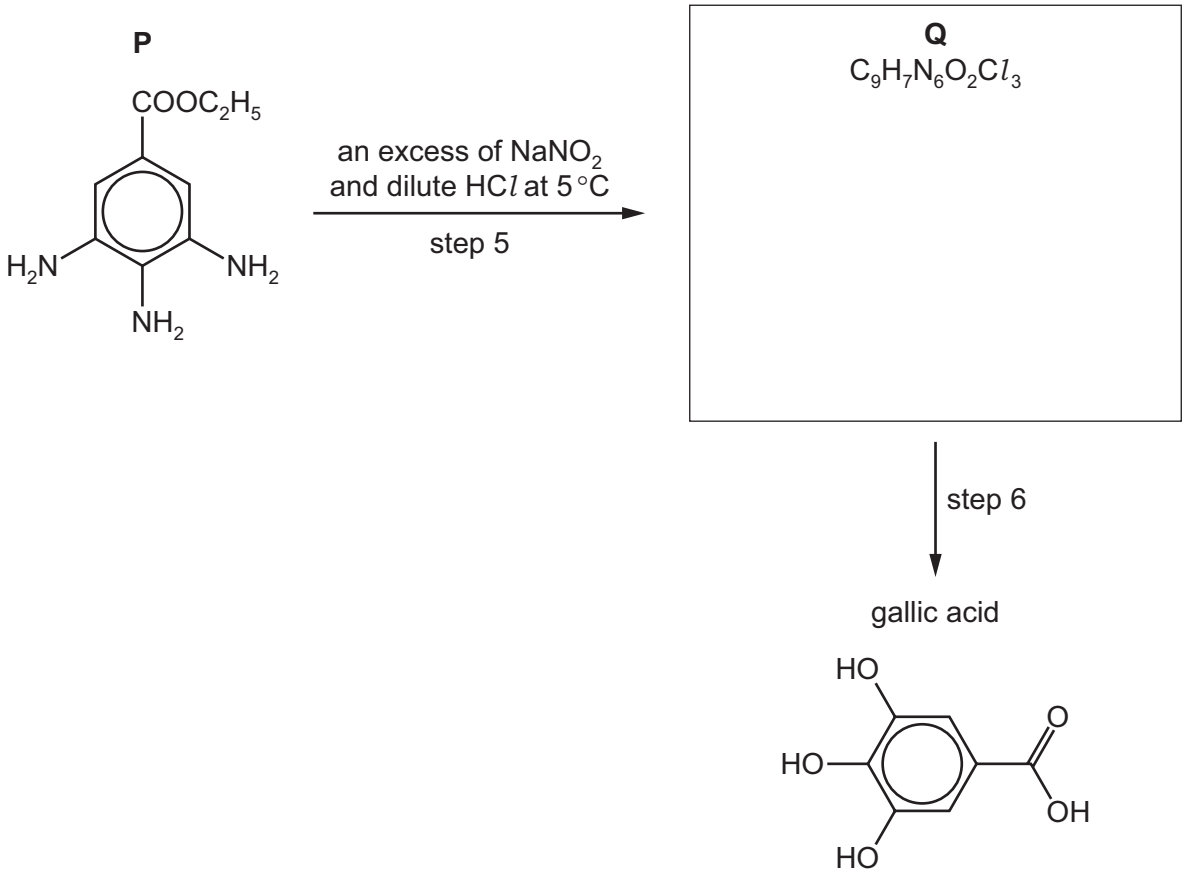


(iv) State the reagents and conditions for step 4.

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P reacts with an excess of sodium nitrite, $NaNO_2$, and dilute HCl at 5 °C to form compound **Q**, $C_9H_7N_6O_2Cl_3$.

Compound **Q** is then converted into gallic acid.



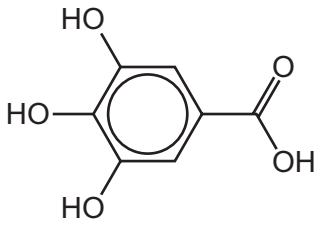
(v) Suggest the structure of compound **Q** in the box provided. [2]

(vi) State the reagents and conditions for step 6.

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(d) (i) State the number of peaks that would be observed in the ^{13}C NMR spectrum of gallic acid.

gallic acid



..... [1]

(ii) The proton NMR spectrum of gallic acid dissolved in D_2O is recorded.

- Predict the number of peaks observed and any expected splitting pattern.
- State the expected chemical shift range (δ) of each peak predicted.

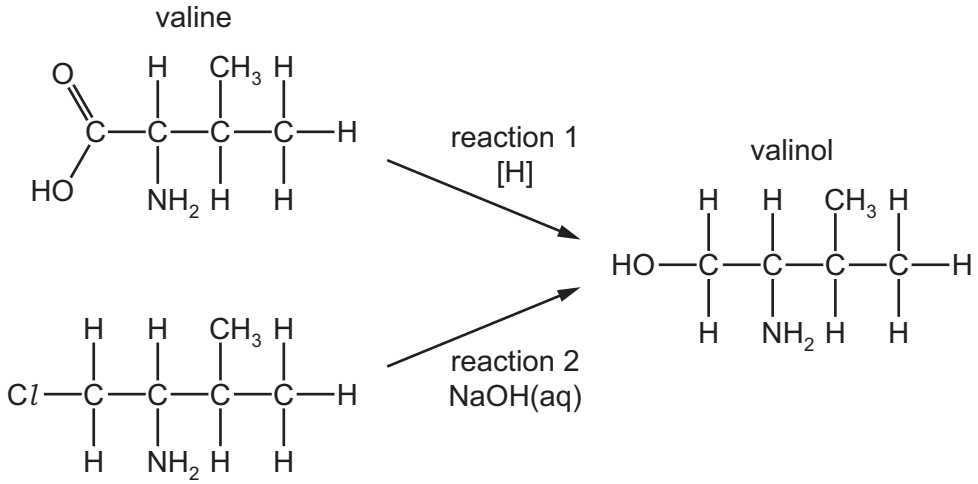
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6 Valinol can be synthesised by the following reactions. Reaction 1 uses valine as the starting material.



(a) (i) Write an equation for reaction 1, using [H] to represent the reducing agent.

..... [1]

(ii) Suggest a suitable reagent for reaction 1.

..... [1]

(iii) Name the mechanism for reaction 2.

..... [1]

(b) Valine and glycine, H_2NCH_2COOH, form the tripeptide Gly–Val–Gly.

Draw the structure of this tripeptide. Show the peptide bonds fully displayed.

[2]

(c) (i) Valine exists as two stereoisomers.

Draw three-dimensional diagrams to show the two stereoisomers of valine. In your diagrams, the $–CH(CH_3)_2$ group can be represented by –R.

State the type of stereoisomerism shown.

type of stereoisomerism .....

[2]

(ii) Valine is an amino acid.

Draw the zwitterion of valine.

[1]

(iii) Valinate, Val^-, is the anion of valine. It takes part in a ligand substitution reaction with hexaaquanickel(II) ions. Complex **Z** is formed.

$$[Ni(H_2O)_6]^{2+}(aq) + 2Val^-(aq) \rightleftharpoons \underset{\mathbf{Z}}{[Ni(H_2O)_2(Val)_2]}(aq) + 4H_2O(l)$$

Write an expression for K_{stab} for this equilibrium.

K_{stab} =

[1]

(iv) At room temperature, the numerical value of K_{stab} is 2.34×10^5.

Explain what this value indicates about the equilibrium and the stability of complex **Z**.

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..... [1]

(v) **Z** is an octahedral complex with formula $[Ni(H_2O)_2(Val)_2]$.

Use this information to state the type of ligand that the valinate ion is acting as in this complex.

..... [1]

[Total: 11]

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