## UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI

## CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT TEST II

## SCH 202: CHEMISTRY OF ALKYL HALIDES, ALCOHOLS, ETHERS ALKENES, ALKYNES AND AROMATIC COMPOUNDS

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS AND HAND IN TO THE EXAMINER ON  $2^{\rm ND}$  MARCH BEFORE STARTING THE EXAM.

- Q1 a) (i) In the nitration of benzene, what is the role of sulphuric acid? Show using equations and mechanisms how the nitration of benzene takes place. [8 marks]
  - b) Explain the effect of having the following substituent in a benzene ring on electrophilic aromatic substitution

(i) Electron donating group

[2 marks]

(ii) Electron withdrawing group

[2 marks]

Q2 a) Provide IUPAC names for each of the following. Indicate stereochemistry if shown.

(2 marks each) [8 marks]

- b) (i) Define the terms: protic solvent, polar aprotic solvent, participatory solvent, non-participatory solvent. Explain the solvent effects on S<sub>N</sub>2 reactions? [7 marks]
  - (ii) Which is the best solvent for Grignard reactions and why?

[3 marks]

- (iii) Suggest the best alcohol and alkylhalide for the synthesis of 2-ethoxypentane, Write the complete mechanism for the reaction. [6 marks]
- Q3. a) Write the structural formula for the products in each of the following reactions (indicated (i), (ii), etc.. .Give the complete mechanism for arriving at each of the products.

H<sub>3</sub>C

$$CH_3$$

1. Br<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O

2. NaOH

 $Br_2/CH_3CH_2OH$ 
 $Br_2$ 

(vi)

 $Br_2$ 

(vii)

[56 marks]

b) Suggest the complete mechanism for each of the following reactions

[14 marks]

(ii) 
$$H_3C$$
 $CI$ 
 $AICI_3$ 
 $CH_3$ 
 $CH$