

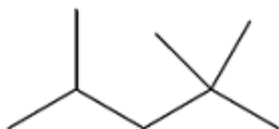
Name of the Student: _____

Max. Marks : 24 Marks

Time : 24 Minutes

Q1.

Isooctane (C_8H_{18}) is the common name for the branched-chain hydrocarbon that burns smoothly in car engines. The skeletal formula of isooctane is shown below.



- (a) Give the IUPAC name for isooctane.

(1)

- (b) Deduce the number of peaks in the ^{13}C NMR spectrum of isooctane.

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(1)

- (c) Isooctane can be formed, together with propene and ethene, in a reaction in which one molecule of an alkane that contains 20 carbon atoms is cracked.

Using molecular formulas, write an equation for this reaction.

(1)

- (d) How do the products of the reaction in part (c) show that the reaction is an example of thermal cracking?

(1)

- (e) Deduce the number of monochloro isomers formed by isooctane.
Draw the structure of the monochloro isomer that exists as a pair of optical isomers.

Number of monochloro isomers

(2)

- (f) An isomer of isooctane reacts with chlorine to form only one monochloro compound.

Draw the **skeletal formula** of this monochloro compound.

(1)

- (g) A sample of a monochlorooctane is obtained from a comet. The chlorine in the monochlorooctane contains the isotopes ^{35}Cl and ^{37}Cl in the ratio 1.5 : 1.0. Calculate the M_r of this monochlorooctane.

$M_r =$ _____

(2)

- (h) Isooctane reacts with an excess of chlorine to form a mixture of chlorinated compounds. One of these compounds contains 24.6% carbon and 2.56% hydrogen by mass. Calculate the molecular formula of this compound.

Molecular formula = _____

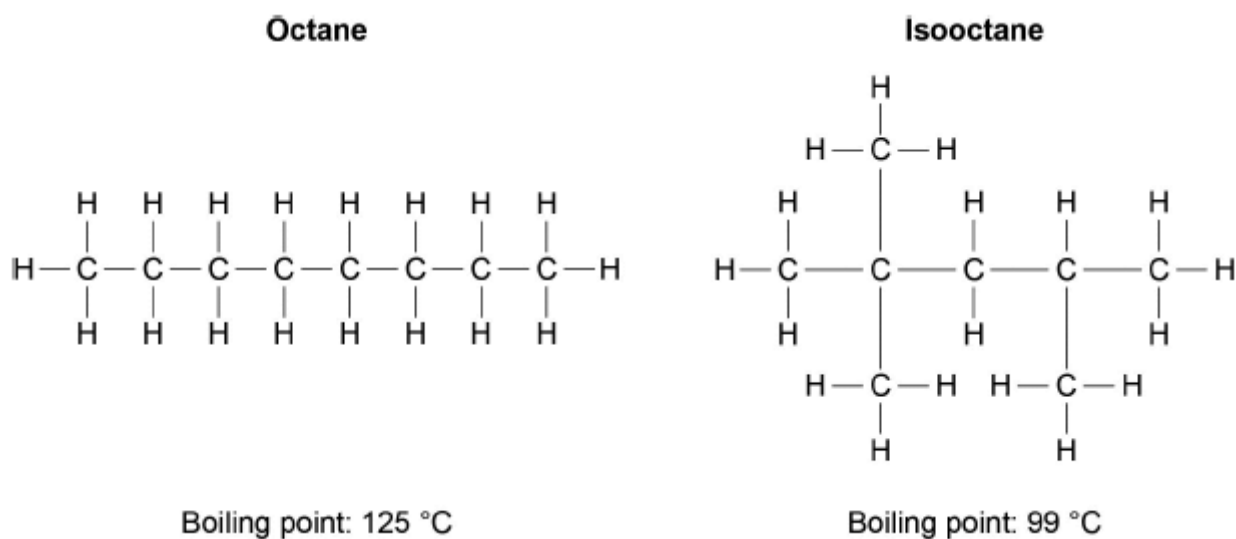
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Q2.

Octane and isooctane are structural isomers with the molecular formula C_8H_{18} . The displayed formulas and boiling points of octane and isooctane are shown in **Figure 1**.

Figure 1



- (a) Give the IUPAC name for isooctane.

(1)

- (b) Octane and isooctane can be separated in the laboratory.

Name a laboratory technique that could be used to separate isooctane from a mixture of octane and isooctane.

Outline how this technique separates isooctane from octane.

Name _____

Outline _____

(3)

- (c) Isooctane is added to petrol to increase its octane rating. Some high-performance engines require fuel with a higher octane rating.

Write an equation for the complete combustion of isooctane. Use the molecular formula (C_8H_{18}) of isooctane in your equation.

(1)

- (d) Explain, in general terms, how a catalyst works.

(2)

- (e) Carbon monoxide is produced when incomplete combustion takes place in engines. Nitrogen monoxide is another pollutant produced in car engines.

Write an equation to show how these pollutants react together in a catalytic converter.

(1)

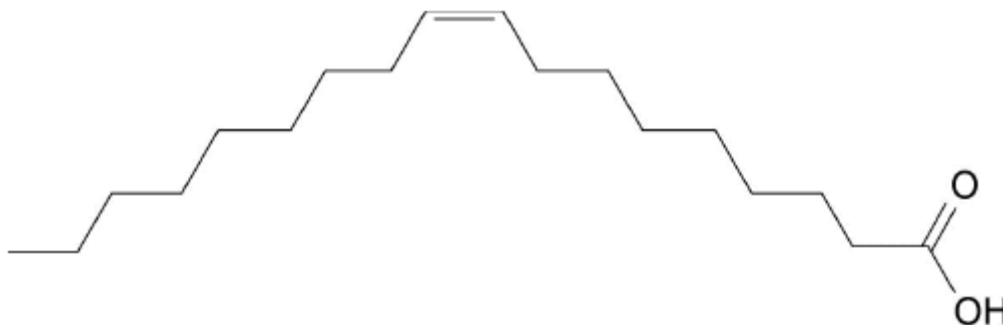
- (f) Platinum, palladium and rhodium are metals used inside catalytic converters. A very thin layer of the metals is used on a honeycomb ceramic support.

Explain why a thin layer is used in this way.

(2)

- (g) Oleic acid ($C_{18}H_{34}O_2$) is a straight-chain fatty acid obtained from plant oils. Isooctane can be made from oleic acid. The skeletal formula of oleic acid is shown in **Figure 2**.

Figure 2



Identify a reagent that could be used in a chemical test to show that oleic acid is unsaturated.

State what would be observed in this test.

Reagent _____

Observation _____

(2)

(Total 12 marks)