

SMART EXAM RESOURCES
9701 CAMBRIDGE AS CHEMISTRY
TOPIC QUESTIONS AND MARK SCHEMES
TOPIC :ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES
SUB-TOPIC: Mass Spectrometry
SET-1-QP-MS

1 **Z** is a molecule which contains the elements carbon, hydrogen and oxygen only.

Z contains only alkene and carboxyl functional groups.

(a) Complete Table 6.1 by describing the observations that occur when two different reagents are added to separate samples of **Z**(aq).

Table 6.1

reagent added to Z (aq)	observation
$\text{Br}_2(\text{aq})$	
$\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3(\text{s})$	

[2]

(b) Table 6.2 shows the percentage by mass of each element present in **Z**.

Table 6.2

element	percentage by mass/%
carbon	41.38
hydrogen	3.45
oxygen	55.17

Using the data in Table 6.2, demonstrate that the empirical formula of **Z** is CHO.
Show your working.

[1]

(c) Fig. 6.1 shows the mass spectrum of **Z**.

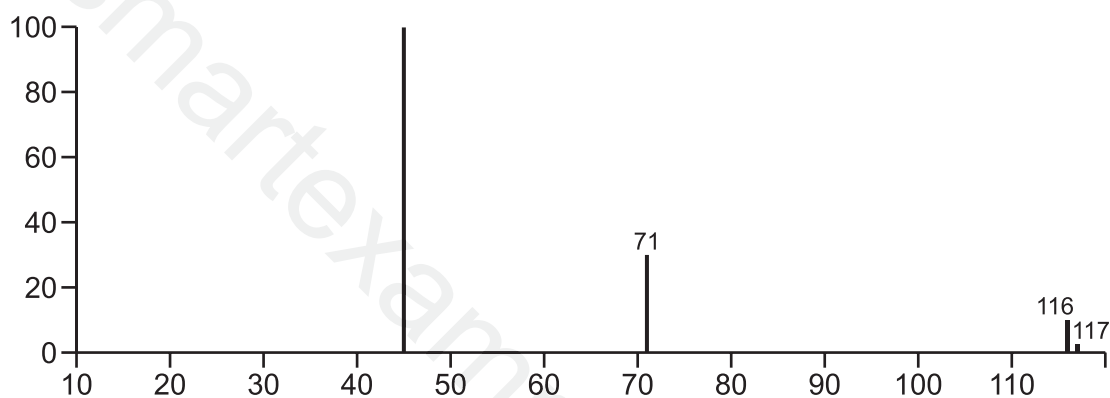


Fig. 6.1

(i) Deduce the molecular formula of **Z**. Explain your answer by referring to the molecular ion peak in Fig. 6.1 and the empirical formula of **Z**.

[1]

(ii) Use Fig. 6.1 to suggest the formulae of the fragments with m/e peaks at 45 and at 71.

m/e 45

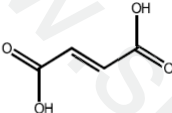
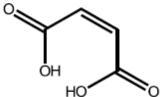
m/e 71

[2]

(iii) Suggest the structure of **Z** using relevant information from Table 6.1, (b) and (c).

[1]

MARK SCHEME:

3(a)	<table><tr><td>Br₂(aq)</td><td>orange to colourless OR orange disappears</td></tr><tr><td>Na₂CO₃(s)</td><td>fizzing OR bubbles OR effervescence</td></tr></table>	Br ₂ (aq)	orange to colourless OR orange disappears	Na ₂ CO ₃ (s)	fizzing OR bubbles OR effervescence	2											
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3(b)	<table><tr><td>C</td><td>:</td><td>H</td><td>:</td><td>O</td></tr><tr><td>41.38 / 12</td><td></td><td>3.45 / 1</td><td></td><td>55.17 / 16</td></tr><tr><td>3.45</td><td></td><td>3.45</td><td></td><td>3.45</td></tr></table> <p>(so C₍₁₎H₍₁₎O₍₁₎)</p>	C	:	H	:	O	41.38 / 12		3.45 / 1		55.17 / 16	3.45		3.45		3.45	1
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(c)(i)	Look for some reference to 116 as the mass of the molecular ion AND mass of C ₍₁₎ H ₍₁₎ O ₍₁₎ = 29 to conclude molecular formula is C ₄ H ₄ O ₄ 116 / 29 = 4 so C ₄ H ₄ O ₄	1															
(c)(ii)	M1 <i>m/e</i> 45: ⁺ COOH OR ⁺ CHO ₂ M2 <i>m/e</i> 71: C ₃ H ₃ O ₂ ⁺	2															
(c)(iii)	<div></div> <div>OR</div> <div></div>	1															

2 Fig. 5.1 shows the mass spectrum of ketone **Z**, $\text{C}_5\text{H}_{10}\text{O}$.

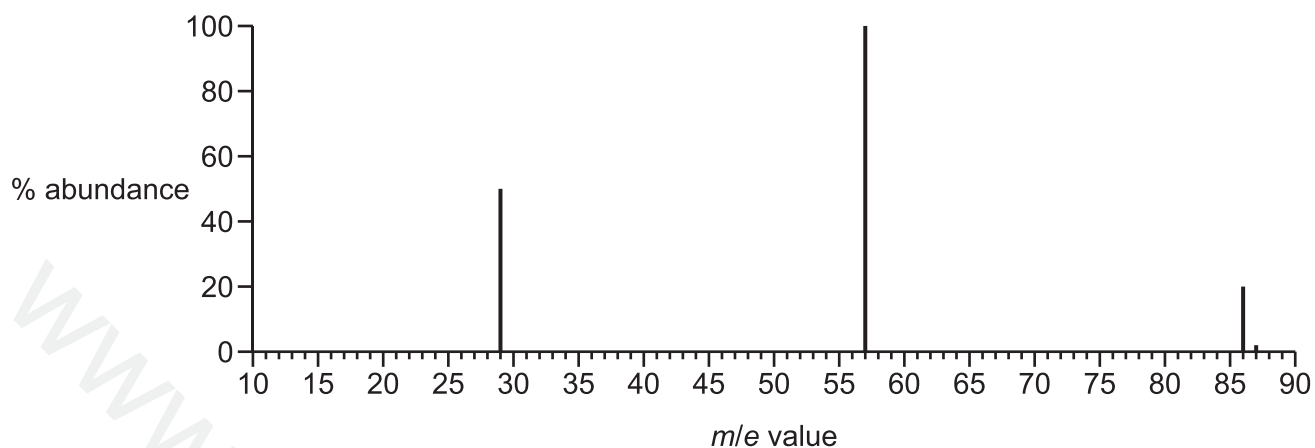


Fig. 5.1

Use the information in Fig. 5.1 to suggest the formulae of the fragments with m/e peaks at 29 and 57. Deduce the identity of **Z**.

$m/e = 29$

$m/e = 57$

identity of **Z**

[3]

[Total: 14]

MARK SCHEME:

29	$C_2H_5^+$	3
57	$COCH_2CH_3^+$ OR $C_3H_5O^+$ OR $CH_2COCH_3^+$	
identity of Z	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>pentan-3-one / $CH_3CH_2COCH_2CH_3$</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>pentan-2-one / $CH_3COCH_2CH_2CH_3$</p> </div> </div>	

3 **X** is a product of the substitution reaction that occurs when CHClF_2 reacts with Br_2 .

There is only one naturally occurring isotope of fluorine, ^{19}F .

The mass spectrum of **X** shows molecular ion peaks at $m/e = 164, 166$ and 168 .

Complete Table 3.3 to show **all** the molecular ions responsible for each peak.

Table 3.3

m/e	formulae of molecular ions
164	
166	
168	$(\text{CF}_2^{37}\text{Cl}^{81}\text{Br})^+$

[2]

MARK SCHEME:

M1 <i>m/e</i> 164	$(\text{CF}_2^{35}\text{Cl}^{79}\text{Br})^+$	2
M2 <i>m/e</i> 166	$(\text{CF}_2^{37}\text{Cl}^{79}\text{Br})^+$ AND $(\text{CF}_2^{35}\text{Cl}^{81}\text{Br})^+$	

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4 (a) But-2-ene reacts with KMnO_4 to form organic product, **Y**.

Y does not react with Na_2CO_3 .

A gas is produced when an excess of Na is added to **Y**.

(i) Describe the conditions for the KMnO_4 used in the reaction to form **Y** from but-2-ene.

..... [1]

(ii) 24.0 cm^3 of gas is produced when an excess of Na is added to 0.001 mol of **Y**, when measured under room conditions.

Assume that 1 mol of gas occupies 24.0 dm^3 under room conditions.

Deduce a possible structure of **Y**. Explain your answer.

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..... [3]

(b) **Z** contains three types of atom: carbon, hydrogen and a halogen. The mass spectrum of **Z** is recorded. Fig. 5.1 shows a section of the mass spectrum at m/e greater than 63. The fragment at $m/e = 64$ is the molecular ion peak.

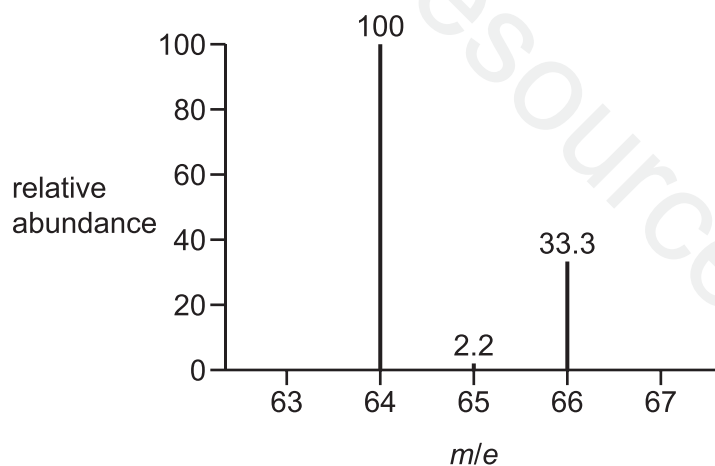


Fig. 5.1

(i) Deduce the number of carbon atoms present in a molecule of **Z** using Fig. 5.1. Show your working.

..... [1]

- (ii) Deduce which halogen is present in **Z** using Fig. 5.1. Explain your answer.

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..... [1]

- (iii) There are also peaks at $m/e = 29$ and $m/e = 49$.

Suggest the formulae of these fragments.
Deduce the name of **Z**.

$m/e = 29$

$m/e = 49$

name of **Z** [3]

MARK SCHEME:

(a)(i)	cold + dilute	1
(a)(ii)	<p>M1 unbranched 4C structure AND any number of –OH in any position</p> <p>M2 0.001 mol H₂ made from 0.001 mol Y AND $\text{R-OH} + \text{Na} \rightarrow \text{RONa} + \frac{1}{2}\text{H}_2$ OR use of 1 OH (group) $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}\text{H}_2$</p> <p>M3 CH₃CH(OH)CH(OH)CH₃</p>	3
(b)(i)	$100 \times 2.2 / 1.1 \times 100 = 2$	1
(b)(ii)	<p>chlorine / Cl</p> <p>AND peak at M+2 represents the molecular ion with 37–Cl (rather than 35–Cl as relative abundance of (peaks) M: M+2 is 100:33 / 3:1)</p> <p>OR relative abundance of (peaks) M: M+2 is 100:33.3 / 3:1 (so peak at M+2 contains 37–Cl)</p>	1
(b)(iii)	<p>m / e = 29: C₂H₅⁺ m / e = 49: CH₂Cl⁺ name of Z: chloroethane</p>	3

- 5 Both functional groups in one molecule of **Y** react with an inorganic reagent to form one molecule of **Q** and one molecule of methanol, CH_3OH , as shown in Fig. 6.3.

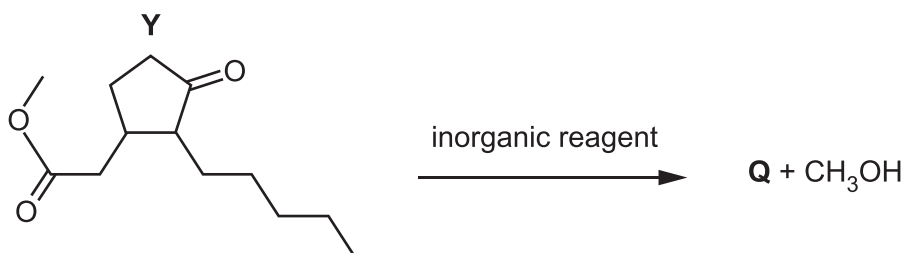


Fig. 6.3

- (i) Part of the mass spectrum for **Q** is shown in Fig. 6.4. Only peaks with m/e greater than 198 are shown.

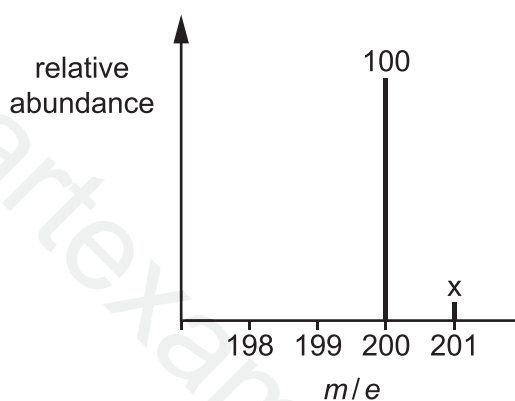


Fig. 6.4

Calculate the relative abundance, x , of the peak at $m/e = 201$.

Show your working.

$x = \dots\dots\dots$ [2]

- (ii) **Q** contains **only** hydroxyl functional groups.

Complete Table 6.1 to show the observations that occur when 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine (2,4-DNPH reagent) is added to separate samples of **Y** and **Q**.

Table 6.1

	observation on addition of 2,4-DNPH reagent
Y	
Q	

[1]

- (iii) Under certain conditions, 0.0020 mol of **Q** reacts with an excess of sodium to produce a total of 44.8 cm³ of gas at s.t.p.

Calculate the number of hydroxyl groups present in a molecule of **Q**.

Show your working.

number of hydroxyl groups = [2]

- (iv) Use Table 6.2 to describe and explain **two** differences between the infrared spectrum of **Y** and **Q** in the region above 1500 cm⁻¹.

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 [2]

Table 6.2

bond	functional groups containing the bond	characteristic infrared absorption range (in wavenumbers) / cm ⁻¹
C–O	hydroxy, ester	1040–1300
C=C	aromatic compound, alkene	1500–1680
C=O	amide carbonyl, carboxyl ester	1640–1690 1670–1740 1710–1750
C≡N	nitrile	2200–2250
C–H	alkane	2850–2950
N–H	amine, amide	3300–3500
O–H	carboxyl hydroxy	2500–3000 3200–3650

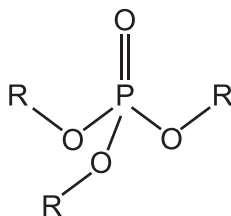
Mark Scheme:

(i)	M1 deduce $n = 12$ (from Y – 1C (in methanol)) M2 $(100 \times x) \div (1.1 \times 100) = 12$ (so) $x = 13.2$	2						
(ii)	<table><tr><td></td><td>observation on addition of 2,4–DNPH</td></tr><tr><td>Y</td><td>orange precipitate</td></tr><tr><td>Q</td><td>no precipitate</td></tr></table> <p style="text-align: right;">Both correct for one mark</p>		observation on addition of 2,4–DNPH	Y	orange precipitate	Q	no precipitate	1
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Y	orange precipitate							
Q	no precipitate							
(iii)	$\text{ROH} + \text{Na} \rightarrow \text{RONa} + 1/2\text{H}_2$ (0.002 mol Q produced 0.002 mol H_2 gas so) 2 OH groups M1 answer indicates that OH group(s) in Q react with Na to produce the H_2 in the ratio 1 mol OH : $\frac{1}{2}$ mol H_2 M2 uses data to show 2OH groups	2						
(iv)	M1 Y will have absorption / peak / trough between 1670–1740 due to C=O (Q will not) M2 Q will have absorption / peak / trough between 3200–3600 due to O–H (Y will not)	2						

6 Phosphoric(V) acid, H_3PO_4 , is used in both inorganic and organic reactions.

(d) H_3PO_4 also reacts with alcohols to form organophosphates.

Organophosphates are compounds similar to esters. They have the general structure shown in Fig. 3.2.



R = alkyl group

Fig. 3.2

(ii) Compound **T** is a simple organophosphate.

The mass spectrum of **T** shows a molecular ion peak at $m/e = 182$. This peak has a relative intensity of 12.7.

The relative intensity of the $M+1$ peak is 0.84.

Deduce the number of carbon atoms in **T**.
Hence suggest the molecular formula of **T**.

Assume that phosphorus and oxygen exist as single isotopes.

Show your working.

number of carbon atoms in **T** =

molecular formula of **T** =

[3]

Mark Scheme:

$\frac{0.84}{12.7} \times \frac{100}{1.1} \quad (= 6.013)$	1
no. of carbon atoms = 6	1
molecular formula = C ₆ H ₁₅ O ₄ P	1