QB365 Question Bank Software

12th Chemistry CBSE Case Study Questions Alcohols, Phenols and Ethers For - 2024

12th Standard

Chemistry

SECTION -A

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1) Read the passage given below and answer the following questions:

Dehydration of alcohols can lead to the formation of either alkenes or ethers. This dehydration can be carried out either with protonic acids such as cone. H₂SO₄, H₃PO₄ or catalysts such as anhydrous ZnCl₂ or Al_2O_3 . When primary alcohols are heated with cone. H_2SO_4 at 433-443 K, they undergo intramolecular dehydration to form alkenes. Secondary and tertiary alcohols undergo dehydration under milder conditions. The ease of dehydration of alcohols follows the order: $3^{\circ} > 2^{\circ} > 1^{\circ}$. The dehydration of alcohols always occurs in accordance with the Saytzeffs rule. Primary alcohols when heated with protic acid at 413 K, gives dialkyl ether.

 $\mathrm{CH}_{3}\mathrm{CH}_{2}\mathrm{OH} \xrightarrow[-433-443]{\mathrm{CH}_{2}} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \xrightarrow{=} \mathrm{CH}_{2} + \mathrm{H}_{2}\mathrm{O}$ $2\mathrm{CH}_{3}\mathrm{CH}_{2}\mathrm{OH} \xrightarrow[]{\text{conc. }\mathrm{H}_{2}\mathrm{SO}_{4}}{413\,\mathrm{K}} \mathrm{CH}_{3}\mathrm{CH}_{2} - \mathrm{O} - \mathrm{CH}_{2}\mathrm{CH}_{3} + \mathrm{H}_{2}\mathrm{O}$

The following questions are multiple choice questions. Choose the most appropriate answer:

(i) Which one of the following alcohols undergoes acid-catalysed dehydration to alkenes most readily? (d) **(a) (b)** (c) (CH₃)₂CHCH₂OH(CH₃)₃COHCH₃CHOHCH₃CH₂CH₂CH₂OH (ii) Dehydration of alcohol is an example of which type of reaction? **(a) (b)** (d) (c) Substitution Elimination Addition Rearrangement (iii) The alcohol which does not give a stable compound on dehydration is (c) n-propyl (a) ethyl (b) methyl (d) n-butyl alcohol alcohol alcohol alcohol (iv) $\xrightarrow{OH}_{conc.H_2SO_4}$ products.

The most stable product(s) is/are

(a) (b) (c) both (a) and (b)(d) none of these.

Answer: (i) (b): The order of dehydration of alcohols is $3^{\circ} > 2^{\circ} > 1^{\circ}$.

(ii) (b): The dehydration of alcohol is an example of elimination reaction.

(iii) (b): Dehydration of CH30H will give methylene (a carbene) which is unstable.

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathrm{CH}_{3}\mathrm{OH} \stackrel{\mathrm{H}_{2}\mathrm{SO}_{4}}{\longrightarrow} : \mathrm{CH}_{2} + \mathrm{H}_{2}\mathrm{O} \\ \text{(iv) (a):} \end{array}$$

OH conc. H₂SO₄



2) Observe the following table showing boiling points of alcohol, molar mass. Study the table and answer the questions based on table and related studied concept.

Alcohol	Boiling Point	Molar Mass
CH ₃ OH	64°C	32 g mol ⁻¹
C ₂ H ₅ OH	78°C	46 g mol ⁻¹
C ₃ H ₇ OH (n-propyl alcohol)	97°C	60 g mol ⁻¹
Isopropyl alcohol	82.5°C	60 g mol ⁻¹
n-butanol	118°C	74 g mol ⁻¹
Isobutyl alcohol	108°C	74 g mol ⁻¹

Butan-2-ol	100°C	74 g mol ⁻¹
Tert. butyl alcohol	83°C	74 g mol ⁻¹

(a) Why do alcohols have higher boiling points than haloalkanes, ethers, aldehydes and ketones?

(b) Why does tertiary butyl alcohol have lower boiling point than n-butyl alcohol?

(c) How does boiling point vary with increase in carbon chain?

(d) How is solubility of alcohol vary with increase in molar mass?

(e) Which alcohol is most acidic and why?

Answer: (a) It is due to inter molecular H-bonding.

(b) It is because it has spherical shape, least surface area, less van der Waals' forces of attraction, hence lower boiling point than n-butyl alcohol.

(c) Boiling point increases with increase in carbon chain

(d) Solubility of alcohol decreases with increase in molar mass.

(e) CH₃OH is most acidic because CH_3O^{\ominus} is most stable among RO^{\ominus} .