

33. Carboxylic acids and derivatives

33.1 Carboxylic acids

Paper 4

Marking Scheme

Q1.

(a)	due to the electron-withdrawing effect/electronegative / -I effect of chlorine AND stabilising the anion / carboxylate ion OR weakening the O-H bond	1
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Q2.

(b)	oxygen acidified KMnO_4	[1] [1]	2
(c)	C=O are electron withdrawing / electronegative weakens O-H bond OR stabilises anion	[1] [1]	2

Q3.

(a)	M1 benzoic acid > phenol > phenylmethanol M2 / M3 Any two of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in benzoic acid negative inductive effect of C=O AND O-H bond is weakened OR due to delocalisation of minus charge by C=O / 2O carboxylate ion is stabilised • in phenol lone pair on oxygen is delocalised into the ring AND O-H bond is weakened • in phenyl methanol positive inductive effect of CH_2 group AND O-H bond is strengthened 	3																
(b)	<table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>benzoic acid</th> <th>phenylmethanol</th> <th>phenol</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Na(s)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NaOH(aq)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> <td style="text-align: center;">x</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>$\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3(\text{aq})$</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> <td style="text-align: center;">x</td> <td style="text-align: center;">x</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Three correct for one mark, six correct for two marks, nine correct for three marks</p>		benzoic acid	phenylmethanol	phenol	Na(s)	✓	✓	✓	NaOH(aq)	✓	x	✓	$\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3(\text{aq})$	✓	x	x	3
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Q4.

(a)	<p>M1 chloroethanoic acid > ethanoic acid > phenol > ethanol</p> <p>M2 correct link of acidity once can be implied from M1 weakens O—H / carboxylate anion stabilised</p> <p>M3 / M4 explanation linked to structure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (ClCH₂CO₂H > ethanoic acid) due to electronegative / electron withdrawing / negative inductive effect of Cl • (ethanoic acid > phenol) due to electronegative / electron withdrawing / negative inductive effect of COOH / C=O • (phenol > ethanol) due to lone pair of oxygen overlapping / delocalised into the ring • (ethanol weakest) alkyl group is electron donating / positive inductive effect <p>two for one mark, four for two marks</p>	4
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(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • oxidation • (solution) decolourises OR purple → colourless / pale pink OR bubbles • HOCCOOH + [O] → 2CO₂ + H₂O OR 5HOCCOOH + 2MnO₄⁻ + 6H⁺ → 10CO₂ + 8H₂O + 2Mn²⁺ <p>two for one mark, three for two marks</p>	2
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Q5.

(a)	<p>C > A > B [1] chlorine and C=O are electronegative / withdraw charge and this causes greatest weakening of O—H bond or greatest stabilisation of the anion [1] 2nd oxygen / C=O is electronegative / withdraws charge and this weakens O—H bond or stabilises anion [1]</p>	3
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Q6.

(b)	<p>M1: trend phenylethanoic acid > phenol > ethanol [1]</p> <p>M2: why phenylethanoic acid is the strongest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • negative inductive electron withdrawing effect of C=O which weakens O-H bond / stabilises anion [1] <p>M3: why phenol is stronger than ethanol / weaker than phenylethanoic acid</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • oxygen lone pair is delocalised into the ring system which weakens O-H bond / stabilises anion [1] <p>M4: why ethanol is the weakest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • electron donating alkyl / ethyl group which strengthens O-H bond / destabilises anion [1] 	4
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Q7.

(a)	<p>M1 2-chloropropanoic acid > 3-chloropropanoic acid > propanoic acid [1]</p> <p>M2 $\text{CH}_3\text{CHClCO}_2\text{H}$ / $\text{ClCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ (are more acidic) as they contain an electronegative Cl atom so weaken O-H bond / stabilise carboxylate anion [1]</p> <p>M3 $\text{CH}_3\text{CHClCO}_2\text{H}$ (is more acidic than $\text{ClCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$) as the Cl atom is closer to CO_2H so weaken O-H bond more / stabilise carboxylate anion more [1]</p>	3
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Q8.

(a)	<p>ethanamide – ethanoic acid – trichloroethanoic acid [1]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ethanamide is neutral / not a proton donor chlorine is electronegative / electron withdrawing [1] O–H bond weakened / anion stabilised correct statement linking acid strength to H^+ donation [1] 	3
(b)(i)	methanoic acid [1]	1
(b)(ii)	methanoic and ethanedioic acids [1]	1

Q9.

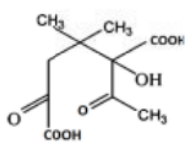
(e)(i)	acidified manganate(VII) or dichromate(VI)	1
(e)(ii)	carbon dioxide and water	1

(f)	<p>M1: most acidic: hexanoic acid > phenol > hexan-1-ol :least acidic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the other O atom in CO_2H group of hexanoic acid either <ul style="list-style-type: none"> withdraws charge from OH group or is electronegative and weakens O–H bond or stabilises resultant anion/negative ion / $-\text{CO}_2^-$ group/carboxylate ion benzene / aromatic / C_6H_5 ring in phenol <u>delocalises</u> either <ul style="list-style-type: none"> lone pair on O atom and weakens O–H bond or lone pair on resultant anion/negative ion / phenoxide ion this stabilises resultant anion negative ion / $-\text{CO}_2^-$ group/carboxylate ion the alkyl group in hexan-1-ol donates electrons this strengthens O–H bond <p>Award 1 mark for each bullet point identified.</p>	3
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Q10.

(b)(i)	propanoic acid, phenol, propan-1-ol	1
(b)(ii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ∞ propan-1-ol: O-H bond strengthened by positive inductive effect of alkyl group OR propoxide ion is destabilised by positive inductive effect of alkyl group ∞ phenol: O-H bond weakened by negative inductive effect of ring OR phenoxide ion is stabilised by delocalisation of oxygen lone pair into ring ∞ propanoic acid: O-H bond weakened by negative inductive effect of C=O OR propanoate ion is stabilised by delocalisation of minus charge by C=O <p>1 mark for a correct explanation, max 2 marks</p>	2
(c)	Tollens' reagent or Fehling's reagent	1
	methanoic acid gives a silver mirror/solid with Tollen's reagent OR red / orange ppt / solid with Fehlings' reagent	1

Q11.

(c)(i)		1
(c)(ii)	CO ₂	1
	oxidation / oxidative cleavage	1
(c)(iii)	CH ₃ COCO ₂ H	1