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UG 2nd - Semester Examination - 2025 (Under NCCF)

Award: B.Sc.

Discipline : CHEMISTRY

Course Type : MJC-2 (Major)

Course Code : BSCCEMMJ201

Course Name : General Chemistry-I

Full Marks - 35

Time - 2 hrs

1. Answer any *five* questions:

1×5=5

- What is a HARD Acid? Give an example.
- What is the oxidation number of oxygen in H_2O_2 ?
- Define Viscosity coefficient.
- What is Newtonian fluid?
- What is Latimer diagram?
- What are the units of van der Waal's constant?
- Can order of a reaction be fractional? Explain your answer.
- Which one is a stronger acid between $[Mn(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$ and $[Sc(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$.

2. Answer any *five* questions:

2×5=10

- What is a buffer solution? Give an example of each of different types of it.
- Balance the following equation by ion electron method:
$$P_4(s) + OH^-(aq) \rightarrow PH_3(g) + H_2PO_2^-(aq)$$
- A sample of pure water is found to have $pH < 7$. Does it mean that it is acidic? Explain.
- In the reaction $A + 2B \rightarrow 3C + 2D$, the rate of disappearance of B is $1.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol L}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$. What will be the rate of the reaction and rate of change in concentration of A and C?
- Explain the difference between standard potential and formal potential?
- Can you determine relative viscosity of a liquid by using burette instead of Ostwald viscometer? Explain your answer.
- Oil spreads over the surface of water whereas the reverse does not happen— explain.
- Which one of NH_2^- and PH_2^- is a better base towards proton and why?

3. Answer any *two* questions for 2022 Batch :

5×2=10

- Derive Henderson-Hasselblach equation.
 - What will be the ratio of $[HCO_3^-]$ to $[H_2CO_3]$ in our blood? Given K_1 of $H_2CO_3 = 4.5 \times 10^{-7}$.
- Calculate the oxidation number of sulphur in H_2SO_5 and chromium in CrO_5 . Count for the fallacy.

3+2

- ii) Explain the role of Zimmermann-Reinhardt solution in the estimation of Fe^{2+} using permanganometry. 2+3
- c) i) At what temperature surface tension will be zero?– Explain. 2+3
- ii) How high will water rise in a capillary of radius $3 \times 10^{-4}m$ at $25^{\circ}C$. Given $\gamma_{H_2O} = 72.75 \text{ N/m}$. 1+4
- d) What is most probable velocity? Find its expression using Maxwell distribution function of velocities. Locate it on a suitable plot. 1+4

4. Answer any one question:

10×1=10

- a) i) Can you determine the rate constant numerically without knowing the initial concentration of the reactant for a 1st order reaction? Explain how. Whose concentration variation is needed to be monitored in this case?
- ii) 1.0 ml of ethyl acetate was added to 25 ml of $N/2 \text{ HCl}$. 2.0 ml of the mixture was titrated against standard $NaOH$ solution each time. The amount of $NaOH$ required in ml was 20.24, 21.73, 25.20, 27.60, 30.22 and 43.95 at various time interval (in min) of 0, 20, 75, 110, 183 and ∞ (infinity) respectively. The value at infinite time was obtained by completing the hydrolysis by boiling. Show that the reaction is of 1st order and calculate the average value of rate constant.
- iii) The activation energy of a reaction is 75.2 kJ mol^{-1} in the absence of a catalyst and $50.14 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ in the presence of catalyst. How many times will the reaction grow in the presence of catalyst if the reaction proceeds at $25^{\circ}C$? 3+4+3
- b) i) Write a short note on Calomel electrode and its use.
- ii) The Hg^{2+}/Hg_2^{2+} couple ($E^0 = 0.92v$) is more oxidising than the Fe^{3+}/Fe^{2+} couple ($E^0 = 0.77v$). Yet Hg_2^{2+} reduces Fe^{3+} to Fe^{2+} in presence of thiocyanate ion– Comment.
- iii) Write a short note on Frost diagram.
- iv) CF_3COOH is a very strong acid and $(CF_3)_3N$ has no basic property– Justify. 3+3+2+2

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