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B.A./B.Sc. (General) 4th Semester

(2042)

CHEMISTRY

(Same for B.Sc. Microbial & Food Technology)

(Inorganic Chemistry-B)

Paper-XIII

Time Allowed : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 22

Note :— Attempt five questions in all, including Q. No. 1 which is compulsory and selecting one question from each unit.

(Compulsory Question)

1. (a) With suitable examples, explain the levelling and differentiating effects.
- (b) What is the impact of lanthanide contraction on the atomic radii of second and third transition elements belonging to same group ?
- (c) SiCl_4 acts as a Lewis acid but CCl_4 does not. Give reason.
- (d) What are the oxidation states of O-atoms in OF_2 and O_2F_2 ?
- (e) In the reaction $\text{MnO}_2 + 4\text{HCl} \rightarrow \text{MnCl}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ which species acts as (i) oxidant and (ii) reductant ?
- (f) Write the general electronic configuration of the f-block elements.

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UNIT-I

2. (a) Compare the basic character of $\text{La}(\text{OH})_3$ and $\text{Lu}(\text{OH})_3$.
(b) Actinides have strong tendency to form oxocations but Lanthanides do not. Give suitable explanation.
(c) What happens when :
(i) Uranyl sulfate is treated with excess of sodium carbonate
(ii) Sodium diuranate is digested with ammonium carbonate ? 1,1,2
3. (a) Find out the oxidation number of U in following species :
(i) UO_2^+
(ii) UO_2^{2+}
(b) What is Misch metal ? Give its uses.
(c) Draw the structure of $[\text{Ce}(\text{NO}_3)_6]^{2-}$ and find out the coordination number and oxidation state of Ce in complex ion. 1,1,2

UNIT-II

4. (a) Identify the Lewis acid and Lewis bases in the following reactions :
(i) $\text{BrF}_3 + \text{F}^- \rightarrow \text{BrF}_4^-$
(ii) $\text{KH} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{KOH} + \text{H}_2$
(b) Compare the acidic strength of HClO , HClO_2 , HClO_3 and HClO_4 . 2,2

5. (a) Identify the Lewis acid and Lewis base in the following reaction :



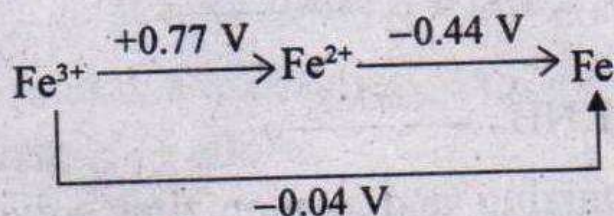
What are the changes in the geometry and B-F bond lengths in BF_3 on coordination with F^- ion ?

- (b) Arrange the following in an increasing order of the acidic character and also give a suitable explanation for your answer :

Monochloroacetic acid, Dichloroacetic acid and Trichloroacetic acid. 2,2

UNIT-III

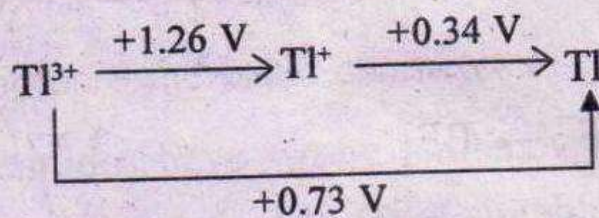
6. (a) Consider the Latimer diagram for Iron :



Construct a Frost diagram and compare the stability of Fe^{3+} and Fe^{2+} ions.

- (b) Explain why H_3PO_4 acts as only oxidizing agent whereas H_3PO_3 can act as oxidizing as well as reducing agent.
- (c) Using a well leveled redox cycle show that Lithium is the strongest reducing agent. $1\frac{1}{2}, 1, 1\frac{1}{2}$
7. (a) What are Pourbaix diagrams ? Elaborate some of the important limitations of Pourbaix diagrams.

(b) Consider the Latimer diagram for Thallium :



Construct a Frost diagram and explain stability of Tl^+ ion.

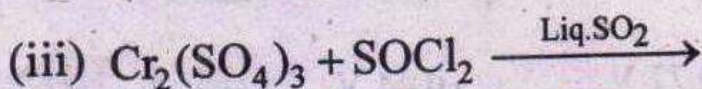
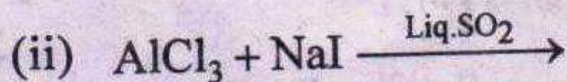
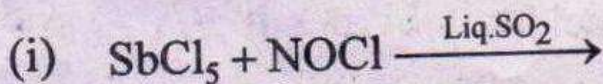
Which among the Tl^{3+} , Tl^+ and Tl is strongest oxidant?

(c) Cu^+ ions are unstable in aqueous medium. Give reason.

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UNIT-IV

8. (a) Complete the following reactions :



(b) What are ionizing and nonionizing solvents ? Give examples. 2,2

9. (a) Why NH_4Cl is an acid whereas NaNH_2 behaves as base in Liquid NH_3 ?

(b) Why Liquid SO_2 is a better solvent for organic compounds?

(c) Describe the effect of following factors on the role of a chemical as solvent in chemical reactions :

(i) Dielectric constant

(ii) Heat of fusion and heat of vaporization. 1,1,2