2021

CHEMISTRY — HONOURS

Paper: CC-4

(Inorganic Chemistry – 2)

Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Answer question no. 1 and any eight from the rest.

1. Answer any ten questions:

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- (a) Which term accounts for the repulsion in the Born-Landé equation?
- (b) Carbon monoxide has very low dipole moment. Why?
- (c) Write down the increasing order of bond angles (from lowest to the highest) in CH₂Cl₂.
- (d) What is the bond order of carbide (C_2^{2-}) ion?
- (e) Unipositive helium (He⁺) ion has non zero bond order, but no stable compound of it is found in nature. Why?
- (f) What is an F-Centre?
- (g) What is the dimension of Madelung constant (A) in the Born-Landé equation?
- (h) Which isotope of carbon and what activity is measured in radio carbon dating?
- (i) For the reaction $_{15}P^{31}\left(\begin{smallmatrix}1\\0\\n,x\end{smallmatrix}\right)_{14}Si^{31}$, identify 'x'.
- (j) What is the nature of LUMO in O2 molecule?
- (k) Although fluorine exerts one of the strongest hydrogen bond, yet boiling point of HF is less than water.— Explain.
- (l) Indicate the formal charge of each atom in CO_3^{2-} .
- 2. (a) Explain which have the longer axial P-F distance: $PF_2(CH_3)_3$ or $PF_2(CF_3)_3$.
 - (b) Iodine-ammonia adduct is a liquid with somewhat metallic Iustre. Comment on the bonding between iodine and ammonia. 3+2

3. (a) It is found that enthalpy of formation of CaF_2 is $-1220 \text{ KJ mol}^{-1}$. The thermochemical data (in KJ mol⁻¹) for the formation of CaF (theoretical) are:

Term	Compound CaF
Enthalpy of atomisation (Ca)	+178
First ionisation energy (Ca)	+590
Enthalpy of atomisation (F)	+79
Affinity energy (F)	-328
Lattice energy (U ₀ of CaF)	−795

Explore the possible stability of CaF with respect to disproportionation into elementary calcium and CaF₂.

(b) What were the future modifications of Born-Landé equation?

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- 4. (a) The observed trends of the boiling point of the Group 16 and Group 15 hydrides are in the order: $H_2O >> H_2S < He_2Se < H_2Te$ and $NH_3 >> PH_3 < AsH_3 < SbH_3$. Justify.
 - (b) Hydrofluoric acid is a monobasic acid, but forms acid salt. Explain with reason and appropriate illustrations.

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- 5. (a) (i) 2-Nitrophenol and 4-nitrophenol may be separated by steam distillation. Justify.
 - (ii) Boric acid has a greasy feeling. Explain.
 - (b) Work out the angle between the lone pairs of electrons on oxygen in water. The angle between two hydrogen atoms centring oxygen (H–O–H) is 104.5° . $[\cos(104.5) = -0.25]$ 3+2
- 6. (a) State the limitations of VSEPR theory with necessary illustrations.
 - (b) Explain the order of the bond angle:

$$\angle$$
 F-O-F < \angle H-O-H < \angle Cl-O-Cl

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- 7. (a) Indicate the atoms which exhibit:
 - (i) sp³ hybridisation in ClO_4^- ion
 - (ii) sp² hybridisation in ozone molecule.
 - (b) Work out the formal charge on the constituent atoms of:

(i)
$$SOCl_2$$
 (ii) N_3^- ion.

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- 8. (a) Work out the bond order of Be₂ and comment on its stability.
 - (b) Indicate on the basis of either hybridisation of the central atom or VSEPR considerations the structures of:

(i)
$$[IOF_4]^-$$
 (ii) $[PF_4]^+$.

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- **9.** (a) Ionisation of molecular dinitrogen decreases the bond order and increases the bond distance but an opposite effect is observed in case of molecular dioxygen. Explain.
 - (b) Water has two lone pairs of electron on oxygen yet it acts as a monoacidic base. Explain in terms of MO consideration.
- **10.** (a) (i) The melting points of lithium halides follow the order:

- (ii) Electrical conduction in metals decrease with increase in temperature. Justify.
- (b) What happens when stoichiometric Ni(II) oxide is doped with Li₂O?

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- 11. (a) What are magic numbers? On the basis of nuclear shell model, justify the concept of magic number.
 - (b) Approximately how many grams of ¹⁴C did an organism initially possess if there are 7g remaining after 17,830 years? [Given the half-life of ¹⁴C is 5700 years.] 3+2
- 12. (a) What are mesons? How different meson exchange phenomena account for the nuclear stability?
 - (b) Write a comparative note on hazards of α , β and γ radiations.

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- 13. (a) Construct the MO diagram of BeH₂ mentioning the group orbitals constructed and showing the interaction with the appropriate orbitals of Be.
 - (b) Outline the process of separation of the isotope of uranium that is required as fuel in a nuclear reactor.