



# WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY

B.Sc. Honours 6th Semester Examination, 2021

## CEMACOR14T-CHEMISTRY (CC14)

### PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY-IV

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 40

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.  
Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.  
All symbols are of usual significance.*

**Answer any *three* questions taking *one* from each unit**

#### UNIT-I

1. (a) Draw schematically the Potential energy diagram of an anharmonic oscillator indicating hot band transition and dissociation energy. For HF molecule with anharmonicity constant 0.0218 and equilibrium oscillation frequency of  $2990\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , find the vibrational quantum number at the dissociation level. 4
- (b) The rotational Raman spectra of  $^{35}\text{Cl}_2$  has a spacing of  $2.94\text{ cm}^{-1}$  between the 1<sup>st</sup> Stokes and Anti-Stokes line. What will be the bond length of the molecule? How will the spacing change on replacing Cl by its heavier isotope? 3
- (c) State the difference between NMR and ESR spectroscopy in terms of (i) population ratio of the two levels (ii) line frequency. 3
- (d) The most intense line of a rotational transition of HCl is the 10 to 11 transition at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ . Will the position of this line change on (i) replacing H by D (ii) increasing the temperature. 4
2. (a) The first vibrational transition of  $^1\text{H}^{35}\text{Cl}$  is  $2886\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Calculate the wave number for the same transition in CO taking the force constant to be 20% higher than that for HCl. Also calculate the ratio of the zero-point energy for HCl to that of CO. 2+2
- (b) The difference in population between the  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  spin states of an electron in ESR spectroscopy is very low. But the system does not saturate. Explain why? 2
- (c) Predict the intensity distribution in the hyperfine splitting lines of the ESR spectrum of the radical  $\text{CD}_3$  ( $I = 1$  for D). 3
- (d) Will the frequency of rotation of the molecules  $^1\text{H}^{35}\text{Cl}$  and  $^2\text{H}^{35}\text{Cl}$  differ in the (i) ground state (ii) 1st excited state? 3
- (e) How does the infrared spectrum of a molecule differ in case of a harmonic and an anharmonic oscillator model? 2

## UNIT-II

3. (a) How will the molar absorbance of a sample at a particular wavelength change if the solution is half diluted and the path length is doubled? Will its value change with the change in wavelength of the incident light? 3
- (b) Draw the  $1/\Phi$  vs  $[M]$  plot for the reaction  $A \rightarrow B + C$  having the following mechanism and indicate the value of slope, and intercept. 3
- (i)  $A \xrightarrow{h\nu} A^*$
- (ii)  $A^* + M \xrightarrow{k_1} M + A$
- (iii)  $A^* \xrightarrow{k_2} B + C$
- (c) Name the processes involved in singlet to singlet and singlet to triplet transition. Which of these processes will be enhanced in presence of iodine atom in the system? 3
- (d) In a photochemical reaction  $A \rightarrow 2B + C$ , the quantum yield with 500 nm light is  $2.1 \times 10^2$ . If 2.28 moles of B is formed upon exposure to light, how many photons were absorbed by A? 3
4. (a) For a particular cell, E at 20°C, 25°C and 30°C are 0.0663V, 0.06839V and 0.07045V respectively. Calculate  $\Delta G$ ,  $\Delta S$  and  $\Delta H$  for the reaction at 25°C. 5
- (b) The absorption spectra of  $O_2$  shows a vibration structure with continuum at  $56876 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The upper electronic state dissociates into one ground state and one excited state atom (Excitation energy of atom is  $15875 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). Estimate the ground state dissociation energy of oxygen in KJ/mole. Explain your answer with proper diagram. 2+2
- (c) Name the phenomenon where an electronic spectra gives a continuum in-between two regions of line spectra. 1
- (d) The photochemical reaction  $SO_2 + Cl_2 \rightarrow SO_2Cl_2$ ,  $\Phi = 1$ . Will the rate of this reaction be temperature dependent? Explain your answer. 2

## UNIT-III

5. (a) Define surface excess. Derive Laplace's equation of excess pressure inside a spherical bubble, suspended in air. 1+3
- (b) Justify/criticize: When work of adhesion is greater than half of the work of cohesion, wetting occurs. 3
- (c) Using Stern model of electric double layer, describe zeta potential of a colloidal system. How is zeta potential and coagulation affected by adsorption of oppositely charged ions on the colloidal surface. 4
- (d) A quartz particle of diameter  $1 \times 10^{-14} \text{ cm}$  in aqueous suspension at 25°C ( $\eta_w = 0.8903 \text{ CP}$ ) migrate with a velocity of  $3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm/sec}$  under an applied potential gradient of 10 V/cm. Calculate the zeta potential. (Given, the dielectric constant of water is 78.30) 3

6. (a) Show that for a heterogeneously catalysed unimolecular gas phase reaction, the plot of  $1/\text{rate}$  vs  $1/P$ , yields a straight line where  $P$  is the pressure of the gaseous reactant. Find the value of slope and intercept of the plot. 4
- (b) Using thermodynamics show that physisorption is preferred at low temperature. 2
- (c) A small hollow sphere with a small hole is immersed in water at a depth of 40 cm before any water penetrates into it. Find the radius of the hole if  $\gamma = 73 \text{ dyne/cm}$ . 2
- (d) State the differences between lyophilic and lyophobic sols in terms of (i) viscosity of the dispersion medium (ii) nature of stabilization (iii) coagulation. 3
- (e) From the BET plot of adsorption of  $\text{N}_2$  gas on 1 g of activated charcoal, the intercept and the slope are found to be  $1.73 \times 10^{-2} \text{ cc}^{-1}$  and  $1.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cc}^{-1}$  respectively at NTP. Find volume of the adsorbed monolayer ( $v_m$ ). If area of a single  $\text{N}_2$  molecule is  $0.525 \text{ nm}^2$ , calculate the area of activated charcoal involved in adsorption. 3

**N.B. :** Students have to complete submission of their Answer Scripts through E-mail / Whatsapp to their own respective colleges on the same day / date of examination within 1 hour after end of exam. University / College authorities will not be held responsible for wrong submission (at in proper address). Students are strongly advised not to submit multiple copies of the same answer script.

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