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# FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2020

### (CBCSS)

Chemistry

### CHE 1C 04-THERMODYNAMICS, KINETICS AND CATALYSIS

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

### **General Instructions**

- 1. In cases where choices are provided, students can attend **all** questions in each section.
- 2. The minimum number of questions to be attended from the Section / Part shall remain the same.
- 3. There will be an overall ceiling for each Section / Part that is equivalent to the maximum weightage of the Section / Part.

### Section A

Answer any **eight** questions. Each question carries a weightage of 1.

- 1. Explain with examples 'residual entropy'.
- 2. Define 'excess thermodynamic functions'. Explain its significance.
- 3. Explain terms 'forces and fluxes' with reference to irreversible process.
- 4. State and explain Glansdorf Pregogine theorem.
- 5. State and explain steady state approximation.
- 6. Explain pressure jump method of relaxation spectroscopy.
- 7. Distinguish between Diffusion Controlled and Activation Controlled reactions.
- 8. Distinguish between Collision Cross Section and Reaction Cross Section.
- 9. Define isosteric heat of adsorption. Explain its significance.
- 10. Unimolecular gas phase reactions follow first order kinetics at low pressures and zero order kinetics at high pressures. Why ?

 $(8 \times 1 = 8 \text{ weightage})$ 

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### Section B

Answer any **six** questions. Each question carries a weightage of 2.

- 11. Define Fugacity. How is it determined ? Discuss.
- 12. Write Duhern Margules equation. Use the equation to show that solvent obeys Rault's law in the limit of solute obeying Henry's law.
- 13. Define phenomenological co-efficient. Show that direct co-efficient always dominate indirect co-efficients.
- 14. An organic decomposition reaction follow the mechanism.

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{M}_{1} & \xrightarrow{k_{1}} \mathbf{R}_{1} + \mathbf{M}_{2} \left( \mathbf{E}_{1} \right) \\ \mathbf{R}_{1} + \mathbf{M}_{1} & \xrightarrow{k_{2}} \mathbf{M}_{3} + \mathbf{R}_{2} \left( \mathbf{E}_{2} \right) \\ \mathbf{R}_{2} & \xrightarrow{k_{3}} \mathbf{R}_{1} + \mathbf{M}_{4} \left( \mathbf{E}_{3} \right) \\ \mathbf{2R}_{2} & \xrightarrow{k_{4}} \left( \mathbf{R}_{2} \right)_{2} \left( \mathbf{E}_{4} \right) \end{split}$$

Assuming steady state approximation for  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  derive the rate law.  $E_1$ ,  $E_2$ ,  $E_3$ ,  $E_4$  are the activation energies for the elementary steps. Find the apparent activation energy.

- 15. Derive an equation to show the effect of dielectric constant of the medium on the rate of ionic reaction in solution.
- 16. Briefly discuss a crossed molecular beam experiment.
- 17. How would you determine surface acidity of the solid using TPD of ammonia ? Discuss.
- 18. Discuss Lotka Volterra model of oscillating chemical reactions.

 $(6 \times 2 = 12 \text{ weightage})$ 

### Section C

Answer any **two** questions. Each question carries a weightage of 5.

#### 19. Rationalise:

- (a) Thermal Osmosis. (b) Thermal Diffusion using irreversible thermodynamic.
- 20. What are the methods of studying fast reaction ? Discuss.
- 21. Discuss briefly. 'Activated Complex theory' of reaction rates.
- 22. What are the methods for the determination of surface area of solids ? Discuss.

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# Section A

Answer **eight** questions. Each question carries a weightage of 1.

- 1. Define chemical potential in terms of : (a) internal energy ; and (b) Helmholtz free energy.
- 2. One mole of toluene is mixed with 0.5 moles of benzene at 300k to form an ideal solution. Find the free energy of mixing.
- 3. Distinguish between equilibrium and steady state conditions.
- 4. State and explain onsager reciprocal rlation.
- 5. Define secondary salt effect.
- 6. Unimolecular gas phase reactions follow first order kinetics at high pressures and second order kinetics at low pressures. Why ?
- 7. Distinguish between activated and non-activated adsorption.
- 8. Explain 'catalyst poisoning'.

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- 9. Define Michaelis-Menton constant. Explain its significance.
- 10. Nano materials have high surface area. Justify the statement.

 $(8 \times 1 = 8 \text{ weightage})$ 

### Section B

Answer **six** questions. Each question carries a weightage of 2.

- 11. Use third law of thermodynamics to show that absolute zero of temperature is unattainable.
- 12. Define partial molal volume. How is it evaluated ? Discuss.
- 13. Derive an equation for the rate of entropy production for one component system with heat and matter transport.
- 14. What are the conditions under which linear relationship exists between force and flux ? What are the advantages of a linear relationship ?
- 15. Derive an equation to show primary salt effect.
- 16. Show that for rigid sphere model of bimolecular reactions. Absolute rate theory agrees with simple collision theory.
- 17. How would you determine pore size distribution of a solid using mercury porosimetry?
- 18. Discuss sol-gel method of preparation of catalysts.

 $(6 \times 2 = 12 \text{ weightage})$ 

### Section C

# Answer **two** questions. Each question carries a weightage of 5.

- 19. Discuss Someroff Herishelwood theory of branching chain reactions.
- 20. Derive BET adsorption isotherm.
- 21. Compare Langmuer-Hunshelwood surface catalysed reactions. How would you identify the mechanism under a guess set of conditions ?
- 22. Define potential energy surface with the help of potential energy surface explain 'reaction co-ordinate' for the process :

 $\mathrm{H} + \mathrm{F}_{2} \rightarrow \mathrm{HF} + \mathrm{H}.$ 

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# FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. (CBCSS) REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2022

### Chemistry

## CHE1C01-QUANTUM MECHANICS AND COMPUTATIONAL CHEMISTRY

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Weightage : 30

### Section A

Answer any **eight** questions. Each question carries a weightate of 1.

1. Which of the following one well behaved functions :

(a)  $e^x$ ; (b)  $e^{ix}$ ; (c)  $e^{-ax^2}$ ; (d)  $\sin^{-1} x$ .

- 2. Explain with example 'conservative system'.
- 3. The energy of a particle in cubical box of length 'a' is  $\frac{14h^2}{8ma^2}$ . What is the degeneracy of the level.
- 4. Explain the term 'Symmetry breaking'.
- 5. The solutions of a planar rotor are  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\Pi}}e^{im\phi}$ . Express it as a real function.
- 6. 1s wave function for H atom is  $Ae^{-r/a_0}$ . Represent the function graphically. Explain.
- 7. State and explain independent particle model.
- 8. What do you mean by 'Slater type of orbitals' ? Write one example.
- 9. Explain the term 'molecular mechanics' in computational chemistry.
- 10. Write Z-matrix for NH<sub>3</sub>.

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## Section B

# Answer any **six** questions. Each question carries a weightage of 2.

11. Show that eigen functions of a Hermitian operator are mutually orthogonal.

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- 12. Write Rogrigue's formula. Use the formulate to find  $H_{(X)}$  for v = 4 in simple harmonic oscillator.
- 13. Find the commutator of  $\hat{\mathbf{L}}_x$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{L}}_y$ .
- 14. 1s wave function for H atom is  $Ae^{-r/a_0}$ . Show that the maximum probability of finding the electron is at  $r = a_0$ .
- 15. State and prove Variation theorem.
- 16. Briefly discuss Fock's modification of Hartree self consistent field method.
- 17. Compare semi empirical and abinitio methods of computational chemistry.
- 18. How do you classify basis sets ? Discuss.

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# **Section C**

# Answer any **two** questions. Each question carries a weightage of 5.

- 19. Discuss postulates of quantum mechanics.
- 20. Apply Schrödinger wave equation for a spherical rotor. Find eigen functions and eigen values.
- 21. Use variation theorem to find the ground state energy of particle in one dimensional box with slanted bottom.
- 22. (a) Find the ground state energy of He by first order Perturbation method.
  - (b) What are the general features of a Gaussian input file ? Discuss.

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- 2. Define excess thermodynamic functions. What is their significance?
- 3. Define phenomenological co-efficient. Explain its significance.
- 4. State and explain Onsagar reciprocal relation.
- 5. Explain with example chain branching in kinetics.
- 6. Distinguish between diffusions controlled and activation controlled reactions.
- 7. Explain the term 'Steric factor. Explain' in collision theory.
- 8. Distinguish between activated and non-activated adsorption.
- 9. Uni-molecular surface catalysed gas phase reactions follow first order kinetics at low pressures and zero order kinetics at high pressures. Why ?
- 10. Explain with example phase transfer catalysis.

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- 12. Define fugacity . How is it determined ?
- 13. Derive an equation for the rate of entropy production for one component system with heat and matter transport.

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- 14. Rationalise (a) thermolecular pressure differences ; (b) thermal osmosis using irreversible thermodynamics.
- 15. Derive Brönsted Bjerrum relationship for the effect of salt on the rate of ionic reactions in solution.
- 16. The pre exponential term for first order reaction is  $5 \times 10^{13}$ s<sup>-1</sup>. Calculate the entropy of activation at 500 k.
- 17. How would you study pore size distribution of a solid by mercury porosimetry ? Explain.
- 18. Nano materials in general have very high surface area. Comment on the statement.

 $(6 \times 2 = 12 \text{ weightage})$ 

### Section C

Answer any **two** questions. Each question carries a weightage of 5.

- 19. Write mechanism for thermal decomposition of acetaldehyde. Derive the rate law.
- 20. What are the assumptions in Absolute rate theory. Following the theory derive an equation for the rate of bimolecular reaction.
- 21. Discuss briefly the various theories for oscillating chemical reactions.
- 22. (a) How would you determine partial molal volume of a component in solution ? Discuss.
  - (b) How would you determine absolute entropy of a gas using third law of thermodynamics. Discuss.

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