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RESIT/SUPPLEMENTARY / SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS EXAMINATION FOR THE
AWARD OF DEGREE IN BACHELOR OF

CHEM 110: INORGANIC CHEMISTRY

STREAMS:

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 04/05/2021

11.30 A.M - 1.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and any other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE [30 MARKS]

- (a) Calculate the number of carbon atoms in 10.0 g of NaHCO_3 (2 Marks)
- (b) Acetic acid contains the elements carbon, hydrogen, and oxygen. A 4.24 mg sample of acetic acid is completely burned in air to give 6.21 mg of carbon dioxide and 2.54 mg of water.
- (i) Determine the empirical formula of acetic acid (5 Marks)
- (ii) Determine the molecular formula of acetic acid, given that the molecular mass of acetic acid is 60.0 g/mol (2 Marks)
- (c) Calculate the mass of $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$ required to prepare 2.50 L of a 0.060 M solution of barium hydroxide (2 Marks)
- (d) A bottle of concentrated hydrochloric acid is labeled 12.3M HCl. The specific density is given as 1.1906. Calculate:
- (a) The mole fraction of HCl (2 Marks)
- (b) The molality of HCl (2 Marks)
- (c) The mass percent of HCl (2 Marks)

- (e) Calculate the wavelength of a photon whose energy is $4.10 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ (2 Marks)
- (f) Calculate the wavelength in nanometers of the line in the Lyman series that results from the transition $n = 4$ to $n = 1$ (2 Marks)
- (g) Calculate the wavelength in meters of an electron traveling at $1.24 \times 10^7 \text{ m/s}$ (2 Marks)
- (h) Write the electronic configuration of the following species (3 Marks)
- (i) Cl (ii) S^{2-} (iii) V^{2+}
- (i) State whether the following sets of quantum numbers (n, l, m_l, m_s) are valid or invalid for an electron in an atom. For invalid sets explain why they are impossible (4 Marks)
- (i) (1, 0, 0, +1) (ii) (1, 3, 3, $+\frac{1}{2}$) (iii) (0, 1, 0, $+\frac{1}{2}$) (iv) (2, 1, -1, $+\frac{3}{2}$)

QUESTION TWO [20 MARKS]

- (a) Consider the following species: CO_3^{2-} ; H_2O ; and NCl_3 :
- (i) Write the Lewis structure for each of the species (6 Marks)
- (ii) Write the resonance structures of the CO_3^{2-} ion (3 Marks)
- (iii) Determine the molecular geometry and bond angle(s) of H_2O and NCl_3 (3 Marks)
- (b) State the main postulates of Bohr's model for the hydrogen atom. (5 marks)
- (c) State the type(s) of intermolecular forces that are present in each of the following molecules (3

Marks)

- (i) Br_2 (ii) H_2O (iii) ICl

QUESTION THREE [20 MARKS]

- (a) Discuss the following intermolecular forces: (6 Marks)
- (i) Dipole-dipole forces (ii) Hydrogen bonding (iii) London dispersion forces
- (b) State the postulates of Dalton's atomic theory (3 marks)
- (c) Explain the periodic trends of the following (6 marks)
- (i) Ionization energy (ii) Electron affinity (iii) Atomic radii
- (d) (f) Calculate each of the following quantities:

- (i) the volume in milliliters of 2.26 M potassium hydroxide that contains 8.42 g of the solute
(3

Marks)

- (ii) the number of Cu^{2+} ions in 52 L of a 2.3 M copper (II) chloride solution (2 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR [20 MARKS]

- (a) Describe how to prepare 60.0 mL of 0.20 M HNO_3 solution, starting with a 4.00 M HNO_3 stock solution (2 Marks)

- (b) Draw a well labelled Born-Haber cycle for NaCl (5 Marks)

- (c) Write an orbital diagram for the ground state of the following species (3 Marks)

(a) F

(b) Co

(c) P

- (d) A sucrose ($\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_{11}$) solution that is 45.0% sucrose by mass has a density of 1.203 g/mL at 25°C. Calculate:

- (i) the molality of the solution (2 Marks)

- (ii) the molarity of solution (2 Marks)

- (iii) the mole fraction of sucrose (2 Marks)

- (e) Magnesium has three naturally occurring isotopes, Mg-24 (23.99 amu), Mg-25 (24.99 amu) and Mg-26 (25.98 amu). Calculate the atomic mass for magnesium given that the isotopic abundance of Mg-24 and Mg-26 are 78.70% and 11.17%, respectively (4 Marks).

Useful Constants

$$h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$c = 3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$N_A = 6.022 \times 10^{23}$$