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CHEMISTRY

CHEM 221: PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY II

STREAMS: BSC CHEMISTRY

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: FRIDAY 17/04/2020

2.30 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.

## INSTRUCTIONS

$$1 \text{ Cal} = 4.184 \text{ J}$$

$$1 \text{ atm} = 101.325 \text{ kPa} = 760 \text{ Torr}$$

$$1 \text{ eV} = 1.60218 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$\theta^{\circ} \text{C} = T \text{ K} - 273.15$$

$$1 \text{ J} = 1 \text{ Kg m}^2 \text{ s}^{-2}$$

$$1 \text{ N} = 1 \text{ Kg m s}^{-2}$$

$$1 \text{ Pa} = 1 \text{ N m}^{-2} = 1 \text{ Kg m}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-2} = 1 \text{ J m}^{-3}$$

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

$$R = 8.31447 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1} = 8.31447 \times 10^{-2} \text{ L bar K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

$$R = 8.20574 \times 10^{-2} \text{ L atm K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

$$R = 6.23637 \times 10^1 \text{ L Torr K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

$$h = 6.62608 \times 10^{-34} \text{ JS}$$

$$N_A = 6.02214 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

1. (a) Comment on the following statements.
- (i) Van der Waals equation takes into account only the attractive forces between molecules and repulsive interactions are not considered. (2 marks)
- (ii) Compressibility factor of a real gas is greater than unity at high pressures and temperatures. (3 marks)
- (b) Describe a condition under which a van der Waals gas will behave like an ideal gas at all temperatures? (1 mark)
- (c) (i) Define and explain Raoult's law. (2 marks)
- (ii) Calculate the vapour pressure of solvent above a solution containing 53.94g of a solute (molecular weight = 182.11) per 1000g of water at 25<sup>o</sup> C. At this temperature, the vapour pressure of water is 17.5/ mmHg. (1 mark)
- (iii) Derive a relation for the elevation in boiling point of a solution with its molality. (4 marks)
- (iv) A solution containing 2.44 g of a solute dissolved in 75 g of water boiled at 100.413<sup>o</sup>C. Calculate the molecular weight of the solute  $K_b = 0.52$  <sup>o</sup>C (1 mark)
- (v) (I) Differentiate between osmotic pressure and osmosis.(1 mark)
- (II) A 0.035M aqueous nitrous acid ( $HNO_2$ ) has an osmotic pressure of 706.8 torr at 22.0<sup>o</sup>C. Calculate the percent ionization of the acid  $\{R = 0.08206 Latm mol^{-1}k^{-1}\}$  (3 marks)
- (d) (i) Explain the meaning of the following:
- (I) Phase ( $\frac{1}{2}$  mark)
- (II) Component ( $\frac{1}{2}$ mark)
- (III) Degree of freedom (1 mark)
- (ii) In the following systems calculate the number of phases, components and degrees of freedom
- (I)  $NH_4Cl(s) \rightleftharpoons NH_3(g) + HCl(g)$  when  $P_{NH_3} \neq P_{HCl}$   
 $P_{NH_3} = P_{HCl}$  (3 marks)

- (II) A dilute solution of sulphuric acid. (1½ marks)
- (iii) The solubility product of  $CaF_2$  at  $25^\circ C$  is  $1.6 \times 10^{-10}$
- (I) Should precipitation occur when 50 ml of  $5 \times 10^{-2} M Ca(NO_3)_2$  is mixed with 50ml of  $4.0 \times 10^{-4} M NaF$  solution? (2 marks)
- (II) If precipitation occurs (Q iii(I), how much  $CaF_2$  will be precipitated? (2½ marks)
- (iv) The solubility product of  $PbI_2$  is  $7.47 \times 10^{-9}$  at  $15^\circ C$  and  $1.39 \times 10^{-8}$  at  $25^\circ C$ . Calculate
- (I) The molar heat of solution of  $PbI_2$  (1 mark)
- (II) The solubility in moles/litre at  $75^\circ C$ . (1 mark)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- 2 (a) (i) Calculate the pH of a 0.1 M  $K_3PO_4$  solution. The third dissociation constant of ortho phosphoric acid is  $1.3 \times 10^{-12}$ . The hydrolysis proceeds only in the first step. Assume  $k_w = 1 \times 10^{-14}$ . (3½ marks)
- (ii) Show that the degree of ionization of a weak electrolyte HX which ionizes according to the equation
- $$HX \rightleftharpoons H^+ + X^- \text{ is given by}$$
- $$\alpha = \frac{K_a}{2C} \left[ -1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{4C}{K_a}} \right] \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$
- (iii) Give the drawbacks in the Arrhenius theory of electrolytic dissociation. (2½ marks)
- (iv) The value of equivalent conductance ( $\Lambda$ ) of a 0.01M solution of a weak acid HA is 60 at 298K while the value of  $\Lambda^0$  is 360 at the same temperature. Calculate  $P^{k_a}$  of the acid considering the activities {A=0.51 for water at  $25^\circ C$ } (5 marks)
- (b) Gold melts at  $1063^\circ C$  and Thallium at  $302^\circ C$ . Cooling Gold/Thallium alloys at various composition gave the following results:

Gold by mass	80	60	40	25	20	10
Beginning of freezing $^\circ C$	835	610	315	140	160	232
End of freezing $^\circ C$	131	131	131	131	131	131

- (i) Draw on graph paper, a phase diagram of the Gold/Thallium M. system. Labeling each area. (3 marks)
- (ii) Sketch and explain the temperature against time curve obtained when cooling slowly an alloy containing 72% Gold. What would be the physical state of this alloy at  $500^{\circ}\text{C}$ . ( $1\frac{1}{2}$  marks)
- (iii) Sketch and explain the temperature against time curve obtained when cooling slowly on alloy containing 4% Gold. ( $1\frac{1}{2}$  marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

3. (a) (i) Derive the kinetic theory gas equation for an ideal gas. (5 marks)
- (ii) Deduce the following gas laws from the kinetic gas equation
- (I) Graham's law of Diffusion. (3 marks)
- (II) Avogadro's law (2 marks)
- (iii) Oxygen at 2.5 atmosphere pressure and  $45^{\circ}\text{C}$  has a density of 0.7145 grams per litre. Determine root mean square velocity, average velocity and most probable velocity. (4 marks)
- (b) How does the van der Waals equation explain the behaviour of gases at:
- (i) Low pressure ( $1\frac{1}{2}$  mark)
- (ii) High pressures (1 mark)
- (iii) Extremely low pressures (1 mark)
- (c) A certain vapour obeys the Van der Waals equation with  $a = 0.52 \text{ m}^6 \text{ pa mol}^{-2}$ . It's volume is  $4.99 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$  at  $300\text{K}$  and  $3.20 \times 10^3 \text{ KPa}$ . Calculate the value of van der Waals constant. Find the temperature at this volume, when  $P = 0$

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

4. (a) (i) Give a brief accounts of Henry's law. (3 marks)
- (ii) The Henry law constant for  $\text{N}_2(\text{g})$  at  $298\text{K}$  is  $13.6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ atm}^{-1}$ . A diver descends to a depth where the pressure is 6 atm. If the diver's body contains about 6 L of blood. Calculate the maximum amount of nitrogen gas dissolved in the diver's

blood at 1 atm and 8 atm {assume solubility of nitrogen in water and blood to be the same} (2 marks)

- (iii) An immiscible liquid A when steam distillate with water gave a distillate  $0.2 \text{ dm}^3$  of which contained  $0.0572 \text{ dm}^3$  of A. The observed boiling point of the distillation was  $98.2^\circ \text{ C}$  and the atmospheric pressure was 758 mmHg. The vapour pressure of water at  $98.2^\circ \text{ C}$  was 712 mmHg. The relative density of liquid was found to be 1.83. Calculate the molar mass of the unknown liquid. {Assume the density of water to be  $1 \text{ kg dm}^{-3}$ } (3 marks)
- (b) (i) Show that for a solution of a solute in a non-polar solvent at the particular concentration  $\frac{\Delta T_B}{T_B}$  is independent of the nature of solvent {Assume Trouton's rule is valid} (2 marks)
- (ii) Why is camphor more suitable than water as a solvent in determination of molecular weights of organic substances by cryoscopic method? (2 marks)
- (iii) A solution containing 0.684 gm of cane sugar in 100 gm of water freezes at  $-0.037^\circ \text{ C}$ , while a solution containing 0.585 gm of NaCl in 100 gm of water freezes at  $-0.342^\circ \text{ C}$ . Calculate  $K_f$  for water, Van't Hoff factor  $i$  and % dissociation of NaCl {Molar mass of cane sugar =  $342.3 \text{ g/mol}$ } (3 marks)
- (c) A solution of KI is isotonic with a 0.01 M solution of  $I_2$  at  $27^\circ \text{ C}$ . When equal volume of two solutions were mixed together, the osmotic pressure dropped by 18.5% of that of the individual solution. Calculate the percentage of conversion of  $I^-$  to  $I_3^-$ . Assume that the solutions behave ideally and the salts are completely dissociated. (5 marks)
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