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CHEMISTRY

(Core)

Paper : C-5

(Inorganic Chemistry)

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Pass Marks : 21

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Choose the correct answer from the following : 1×5=5

(a) Which of the following acids results from better hard-hard combination?

(i) HCN

(ii) HI

(iii) HCl

(iv) HNO₂

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(b) Which one of the following is the correct order of increasing basicity?

- (i) $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2 < (\text{CH}_3)_2\text{NH} < (\text{CH}_3)_3\text{N} < (\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3)_3\text{N}$
- (ii) $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2 < (\text{CH}_3)_2\text{NH} < (\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3)_3\text{N} < (\text{CH}_3)_3\text{N}$
- (iii) $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2 < (\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3)_3\text{N} < (\text{CH}_3)_3\text{N} < (\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3)_2\text{NH} < (\text{CH}_3)_2\text{NH}$
- (iv) $(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3)_3\text{N} < \text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2 < (\text{CH}_3)_2\text{NH} < (\text{CH}_3)_3\text{N}$

(c) The type of hybridization for IF_5 is

- (i) sp^3d
- (ii) sp^3d^3
- (iii) sp^3d^2
- (iv) d^2sp^3

(d) The shape of XeOF_4 molecule with sp^3d^2 hybridization is

- (i) pentagonal bipyramidal
- (ii) octahedral
- (iii) trigonal bipyramidal
- (iv) square pyramidal

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(e) In clathrates, the host-guest interaction is also known as

- (i) covalent interaction
- (ii) ionic interaction
- (iii) coordination interaction
- (iv) non-covalent interaction

2. Answer any six questions of the following :

2×6=12

(a) What are interhalogen compounds? Give examples.

(b) Compare the acid strength of $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$ and $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$.

(c) Give two reactions to show resemblance of lithium with magnesium.

(d) Draw the structure of boric acid.

(e) Write a short note on hydrometallurgy.

(f) Why helium and neon do not form clathrates?

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- (g) XeF_6 cannot be stored in glass vessel. Explain with chemical reaction.
- (h) Discuss the effect of dielectric constant of solvents in relative strength of acids and bases.

3. Answer any four questions of the following :

3×4=12

- (a) What are *closo*-, *nido*- and *arachno*-boranes? Give one example of each.
- (b) What are polyhalides? Among the halogens, iodine has the maximum tendency to form polyhalide anion. Explain the statement.
- (c) What are silicones? Give the preparation of cross-linked silicones.
- (d) Why is borazine called inorganic benzene? How is it prepared from diborane? Give a reaction to distinguish borazine from benzene.
- (e) What are hydrides? Classify different types of hydrides with one example of each.

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- (f) Discuss the formation of 3c—2e bonds in diborane from molecular orbital theory. (Give the required MO diagrams)

4. Answer any three questions of the following :

4×3=12

- (a) Mention the Wade's rules for determining the skeletal structure of boranes. Applying these rules, predict the structure of B_5H_{11} and $\text{C}_2\text{B}_4\text{H}_8$.
2+2=4
- (b) Define acids and bases from solvent system theory. Discuss the acid-base behaviour of NH_4Cl and KNH_2 in liquid ammonia.
2+2=4
- (c) Complete the following reactions : 1×4=4
- (i) $\text{H}_3\text{BO}_3 + \text{NaOH} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \longrightarrow ?$
- (ii) $\text{BCl}_3 + \text{LiAlH}_4 \longrightarrow ?$
- (iii) $\text{XeF}_6 + \text{SiO}_2 \longrightarrow ?$
- (iv) $\text{NaNO}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \xrightarrow{150^\circ\text{C}-200^\circ\text{C}} ?$
- (d) What is meant by diagonal relationship of elements in the periodic table? Discuss the diagonal relationship between lithium and magnesium. 1+3=4

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5. Answer any *three* questions of the following :

3×3=9

(a) What are phosphazines? Discuss the structure of hexachlorocyclotriphosphazine. 1+2=3

(b) State the HSAB principle. Explain why $[\text{CoF}_6]^{3-}$ is more stable than $[\text{CoI}_6]^{3-}$.

1+2=3

(c) What are the reasons for the anomalous behaviour of fluorine with its group members? Compare the variation of oxidation states of group 17 elements.

2+1=3

(d) Give the names of oxo-acids of chlorine. Compare the acid strength of oxo-acids of chlorine. 2+1=3

6. Answer *either* (a) *or* (b) from the following : 3

(a) Give the structures of—

(i) P_2O_5

(ii) $\text{H}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$

(iii) HClO_4

1+1+1=3

(b) Write short notes on any *two* of the following : $1\frac{1}{2}\times 2=3$

(i) Zone refining

(ii) Fullerenes

(iii) Carbon reduction