2016

## CHEMISTRY

(Major)

Paper: 6.4

## (Inorganic Chemistry)

Full Marks: 60

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Choose the correct answer:

 $1\times7=7$ 

- (a) The visible spectra of salts of the following complexes are measured in aqueous solution. For which complex would the spectrum contain absorptions with the highest  $\varepsilon_{\text{max}}$  values?
  - (i) [CoCl<sub>4</sub>]<sup>2-</sup>
  - (ii)  $[Co(OH_2)_6]^{2+}$
  - (iii) [MnO<sub>4</sub>]
  - (iv)  $[Mn(OH_2)_6]^{2+}$

- (b) The total degeneracy of the terms <sup>1</sup>G, <sup>3</sup>F, <sup>1</sup>D, <sup>3</sup>P are
  - (i) 9, 21, 5, 9 respectively
  - (ii) 21, 9, 9, 5 respectively
  - (iii) 5, 9, 21, 9 respectively
  - (iv) 9, 21, 9, 5 respectively
- (c) The correct one among the following statements about ligand substitution reaction is
  - (i) complexes of the M(III) ions of f-block are inert
  - (ii) lability is common among the complexes of 4d and 5d series
  - (iii) all complexes of s-block ions except the smallest Be<sup>2+</sup> and Mg<sup>2+</sup> are inert
  - (iv) complexes of  $d^{10}$  ions  $(Zn^{2+}, Cd^{2+}, Hg^{2+})$  are normally very labile
- (d) Which of the following gases on inhalation dissolves in the blood hemoglobin more rapidly than oxygen?
  - (i) SO<sub>2</sub>
  - (ii) NO
  - (iii) CO
  - (iv) NO2

- (e) The rate of radioactive decay can be increased by increasing the
  - (i) temperature
  - (ii) pressure
  - (iii) size of the particle
  - (iv) None of the above
- (f) Which reaction is likely to result in successful conversion of La<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>(s) to LaCl<sub>3</sub>(s)?

(i) 
$$\operatorname{La_2O_3(s)} + 6\operatorname{Cl_2(g)} \rightarrow 2\operatorname{LaCl_3(s)} + 3\operatorname{Cl_2O(g)}$$

(ii) 
$$La_2O_3(s) + 3COCl_2(g) \rightarrow 2LaCl_3(s) + 3CO_2(g)$$

(iii) 
$$La_2O_3(s) + 6NaCl(s) \rightarrow 2LaCl_3(s) + 6Na_2O$$

(iv) 
$$\text{La}_2\text{O}_3(s) + 6\text{HCl}(aq) \rightarrow 2\text{LaCl}_3(s) + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}(1)$$

- (g) Radioisotope useful in the treatment of cancer, tumors and cells is
  - (i) phosphorus-32
  - (ii) carbon-14
  - (iii) iron-55
  - (iv) cobalt-60

## 2. Answer the following:

2×4=8

- (a) Explain why the absorption bands in electronic spectra of transition metal complexes are usually broad.
- (b) What is ligand-bridged mechanism in redox reactions? Illustrate with suitable examples.
- (c) What are metalloproteins? Name the two metalloproteins which comprise nitrogenase.
- (d) Why do lighter elements generally undergo nuclear fusion while heavier elements show nuclear fission?

## 3. Answer any three of the following: 5×3=15

- (a) What is lanthanide contraction? Explain the cause and effects of lanthanide contraction. 2+3=5
- (b) What is radioactive waste? Discuss the disposal of radioactive waste from nuclear reactors. 2+3=5
- (c) What are microstates in relation to an electronic configuration? Determine the possible spectroscopic term symbols for the  $p^2$ -configuration from its microstates.

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(d) Explain the mechanism of Na<sup>+</sup>-K<sup>+</sup> pump.

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- (e) What are successive and cumulative formation constants? The successive formation constants for complexes of cadmium with Br are  $K_{11} = 36\cdot3$ ,  $K_{12} = 3\cdot42$ ,  $K_{13} = 1\cdot15$ ,  $K_{14} = 2\cdot34$ . Suggest an explanation of why  $K_{14} > K_{13}$ .
- 4. Answer any three of the following: 10×3=30
  - (a) (i) Write the basic principle of colorimetric titrations. Discuss how the amount of copper can be estimated in a given sample by colorimetric method. 2+3=5
    - (ii) What is cisplatin? Explain the mechanism of therapeutic action of cisplatin against cancer and also discuss the reason behind the inactivity of its *trans*-isomer. 1+2+2=5
  - (b) (i) Explain nuclear fission. Using laws of radioactive disintegration, show that

$$N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$$
 2+3=5

(ii) What is trans-effect? Discuss the  $\pi$ -bonding theory of trans-effect. 2+3=5

(c) (i)	Explain the terms mass defect and	
	binding energy of a nucle	us.
	Calculate the mass defect a	ind
	binding energy of the heli	um
	nucleus having a mass	of
	4.0039 a.m.u., given that mass	ses
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	1.00758 a.m.u. and 1.00893 a.m.u.	
	respectively.	2+3=5

- (ii) Write a note on importance of metal ions in diagnostic medical imaging.
- (d) (i) State the Laporte selection rule governing electronic transitions in transition metal complexes. Under what conditions are these rules relaxed? Explain. 2+3=5
  - (ii) Discuss the paramagnetic behaviour of lanthanides and also account for the colour exhibited by them. 3+2=5
- (e) (i) What are fissile materials? How are they different from fissionable materials? Discuss with suitable examples. 1+4=5
  - (ii) Write notes on the following:  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 5$ 
    - (1) Eigen-Wilkins mechanism
    - (2) Chelate effect