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CHEMISTRY

Paper—SCHEC—403

(Physical Chemistry—I)

(Tuesday, 26-12-2023)

Time : 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

Time—3 Hours

Maximum Marks—80

- N.B. :-** (i) Question No. 1 is compulsory.
(ii) Solve any *three* questions from Q. No. 2 to Q. No. 6.
(iii) Use of log table and calculator is allowed.
(iv) Figures to the right indicate full marks.

1. Solve the following : 20
- (a) State and explain any *five* postulates of quantum mechanics.
- (b) Calculate the mean activity coefficient, $\sqrt{\pm}$ of –
- (i) 0.01 m NaCl and
- (ii) 0.001 m Na₂SO₄ in aqueous solution at 25°C.
- (c) Discuss in detail the Debye-Falkenhagen effect as applied to strong electrolytes.

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(d) What are solid state imperfections ?

Explain : (i) Schottky defects and (ii) Frenkel defects.

2. Solve the following :

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(a) State the Schrödinger's wave equation in polar co-ordinate system and use it to obtain phi-equation, theta-equation and radial equation for hydrogen and hydrogen-like systems.

(b) Derive the Lippmann equation for surface excess phenomenon.

3. Solve :

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(a) What is symmetry number ?

Calculate the rotational partition function and characteristics rotational temperature for H_2 gas at $2727^\circ C$ given that $K = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} J/kg$, $h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} JS$, $\sigma = 2$ and $I = 4.6033 \times 10^{-48} kgm^2$.

(b) What are ternary systems ? Explain the three component system involving two pairs of partially miscible liquids with a suitable phase diagram.

4. Solve the following :

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(a) What is meant by Zero-point energy ? Explain its significance.

An electron in 1D-box of length 10 \AA undergo a transition from ground state to second excited state. Calculate the wavelength of photon absorbed.

Given that $h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} Js$, $M_e = 9.109 \times 10^{-31} kg$ and $C = 3 \times 10^8 ms^{-1}$.

(b) Why $\lim_{P \rightarrow 0} \frac{F}{P} = 1$?

Describe a method for determination of fugacity of a gas at any pressure from P–V–T data.

5. Solve : 20

(a) What is zeta potential ?

Describe Gouy-Chapman theory of electrical double layer.

(b) Define :

(i) ionisation potential and

(ii) lattice energy.

How does the Born-Haber cycle explain the stability of ionic compounds ?

6. Write short notes on the following : 20

(a) Zeeman's splitting a quantum mechanical approach.

(b) EMF method for determination of activity and activity coefficients.

(c) Two solid and a liquid component Eutectic systems.

(d) Relaxation effect and Electrophoretic effect in Debye-Hückel-Onsager theory of strong electrolytes.