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First Year

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Date : 16-12-2010

CHEMISTRY (Honours)

Full Marks : 25

Time : 2pm – 3.30pm

Paper - I

Group C (Inorganic Chemistry)

Answer any three questions from the following :

[5×3 = 15]

1. a) Explain Packing fraction and mass defect. [2]
b) How is mass defect is related to nuclear binding energy. [1]
c) State how does radioactive equilibrium differs from chemical equilibrium. [2]
2. a) State the Radioactive Decay Law and give the physical significance of decay constant. [2]
b) An old piece of a wooden sample has a disintegration rate, which is 30% of the disintegrations shown by an equal weight of a new piece of wood; Find the age of the wooden sample, given that $t_{1/2}$ for $^{14}\text{C} = 5740 \text{ yr}$. [2]
c) What do you mean by magic numbers? [1]
3. a) What is radial distribution function? Show diagrammatically the variation of radial distribution function with 'r' for the orbitals, 3s and 3p, in a hydrogen atom. [3]
b) Explain why only 's' orbitals are spherical. [1]
c) Why is 4s orbital is lower in energy than 3d orbital? [1]
4. a) Calculate the energy of an electron in the second Bohr orbit of a Hydrogen atom. [2]
b) Calculate the radius of the first allowed Bohr orbit for Hydrogen atom. [1½]
c) Find out ground state term symbols for Co^{+2} ion. [1½]
5. a) State Hund's rule of maximum multiplicity. Calculate the exchange energy for d^6 system. [2]
b) One of the most stable nuclei is ^{55}Mn . Its nuclidic mass is 54.938 u. Determine its total binding energy and average binding energy per nucleon.
[Mass of proton : 1.00783 u; Mass of neutron : 1.00867 u] [2]
c) Explain why nuclear fission reactions are different from nuclear spallation. [1]

Answer any two questions from the following :

[5×2 = 10]

6. a) What is lanthanide contraction? Write down its consequences. [1½+1½]
b) Write notes on (any one)
i) Catenation
ii) Pauling's Univalent radii [2]
7. a) Distinguish between electron affinity and electronegativity. [2]
b) Write down Slater's rules and its limitations. The F-F distance is 1.43 Å, using Slater's rule, calculate the electronegativity of fluorine. [1½+1½]
8. a) What is inert pair effect? Explain with an example. [2]
b) Explain the following : (any two)
i) Amongst Cu, Ag and Au whose first Ionisation energy will be higher and why?
ii) The bond angles of OF_2 is 103° while that of Cl_2O is 110° . —Explain
iii) The drop in ionisation energy from N to O is larger than that from P to S. [1½+1½]