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CHEMISTRY — HONOURS

Paper: DSCC-3

(Physical Chemistry - I)

Full Marks: 75

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Answer question nos. 1, 2, 3 & 4 (compulsory) and any four from the rest (question nos. 5 to 10).

1. Answer any ten questions :

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- (a) Show that for an isothermal process undergone by an ideal gas, $\Delta G = \Delta A$.
- (b) Define fugacity and fugacity coefficient.
- (c) Derive the Nernst's distribution law.
- (d) Draw graphs for conductometric titration mentioning proper axes, for the following dibasic acids, where in each case 0.1(N) acid is being titrated with 0.5(N) NaOH.
 - (i) Oxalic acid
 - (ii) Sulphuric acid.
- (e) Find the condition for maximum value of buffer capacity.
- (f) Draw T-S diagram of a Carnot cycle with proper labelling.
- (g) Explain the concept of chemical potential as escaping tendency.
- (h) Define advancement of a chemical reaction. Plot variation of free energy with advancement of the reaction indicating the state of equilibrium.
- (i) State and explain the 'law of independent migration of ions'.
- (j) "At high temperature the pH of pure water may deviate from 7.0." Justify or criticize.
- (k) 'For any gas Cp is always greater than Cv.' Explain qualitatively.
- Obtain the relation between molar conductance (Λ_m) and equivalent conductance (Λ_{eq}) for Al₂(SO₄)₃.
- 2. (a) Write short notes on the statements of 2nd law of thermodynamics covering the following points:
 - Kelvin Planck and Clausius statements.
 - (ii) Equivalence of the two statements.

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Or,

- (b) Write short notes on Gibbs-Helmholtz equation covering the following points :
 - (i) Variation of G and G/T with T (temperature)
 - (ii) Variation of ^G/_T with ¹/_T.

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3. (a) Write short notes on the effect of addition of an inert gas on the following equilibrium:

$$N_2(g) + 3H_2(g) \Rightarrow 2NH_3(g)$$

- (i) at constant pressure
- (ii) at constant volume.

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- (b) Write short notes on change in Entropy(S) and Gibbs free energy (G) for mixing of two different ideal gases at a particular temperature.
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- 4. (a) Write short notes on specific and equivalent conductance covering the following points.
 - (i) Definitions
 - (ii) Effect of dilution in case of strong electrolytes.

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- (b) Write short notes on buffer solutions covering the following points:
 - (i) Derivation of Henderson Equation
 - (ii) Explanation of buffer action in maintaining pH.

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- (a) Show that Joule-Thomson experiment is an isenthalpic process. Show that the inversion temperature for van der Waals gas is T_i = ^{2a}/_{Rb} (where a, b are van der Waals constants).
 - (b) For a reaction, K_p varies with T (temperature) as $\ln K_p = -1.04 \frac{1088}{T} + \frac{1.51 \times 10^5}{T^2}$ (valid between 300K to 600K). Calculate ΔS^o at 400K.
 - (c) The mean activity coefficient of a 1:2 type electrolyte (0.005M) is 0.75. Calculate Debye-Hückel constant using the limiting law. 4+3+3
- 6. (a) Derive an expression of pH for hydrolysis of a salt of weak acid and strong base.
 - (b) For partial molal properties, find the relation,

$$\mu_i = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial n_i}\right)_{S,V,n_{j\neq i}} = \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial n_i}\right)_{S,P,n_{j\neq i}} = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial n_i}\right)_{P,T,n_{j\neq i}} = \left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial n_i}\right)_{V,T,n_{j\neq i}}.$$

(c) Find the ΔS (system) and ΔS (surr) for 3 moles of an ideal monoatomic gas expanding isothermally into vacuum at 298 K, expanding from a volume of 15L to 40L.
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- 7. (a) At 25°C in a saturated solution of BaSO₄, Ba²⁺ and SO₄²⁻ ions take 151 and 121 seconds respectively to cover a distance of 1cm across which potential difference of 10 volts has been applied. The concentration solubility product of BaSO₄ at 25°C is 10⁻¹⁰ (concentration expressed in gm eqv./l). The conductance of the solution is 2.2×10⁻⁶S in a cell in which the conductance of water is 0.8×10⁻⁶S at 25°C. If at the same temperature and in the same cell, conductance of 0.01(N)KCl be 1.40×10⁻³S, what would be the specific conductance of the KCl solution?
 - (b) Does the equilibrium constant of a chemical reaction depend on :
 - (i) Standard state chosen for the reactants and products?
 - (ii) Stoichiometric representation of the reaction? Justify your answer.
 - (c) State and prove Carnot's theorem.

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- 8. (a) Starting from, Van't Hoff reaction isotherm, derive the Van't Hoff equation at constant pressure.
 - (b) Define partial molal free energy (μ_i). Show that $\overline{V}_i = \left(\frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial P}\right)_{T,n_{j\neq i}}$.
 - (c) What should be the essential condition for a compound to be able to serve as an acid-base indicator? Find out the range of such an indicator.
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- 9. (a) Show that for any reversible cycle (not necessarily a Carnot cycle), $\oint \frac{dQ_{rev}}{T} = 0$.
 - (b) State four different thermodynamic criteria for equilibrium and spontaneity.
 - (c) State Ostwald's dilution law. Find the relation $\frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{\lambda_o} + \frac{\lambda c}{k_a \lambda_o^2}$ for a dilute solution of weak acid (where all the terms have their usual significance).
- 10. (a) A Carnot engine works between 600K and 300K using 5 moles of an ideal gas as thermodynamic substance. Calculate:
 - (i) Efficiency of the engine
 - (ii) Work done by the gas during adiabatic reversible expansion
 - (iii) Quantity of heat released to the sink when the engine absorbs 1000 kcal heat from the source [given C_v = 5cal K⁻¹mol⁻¹.]
 - (b) How hydrolysis constant of a salt can be determined conductometrically?
 - (c) Derive the working formula for determination of transport number of an ion using moving boundary method.

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