



WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY
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CEMADSE01T-CHEMISTRY (DSE1/2)

ADVANCED PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 40

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.
All symbols are of usual significance*

Answer any *three* questions taking *one* from each unit

UNIT-I

1. (a) (i) State Hauy's law of rational intercepts. 2
- (ii) Determine the Miller indices of the planes that intersect the crystal axes at $a, 2b, \infty c$ and $\frac{1}{2}a, \frac{1}{4}b, -c$. 2
- (b) There exists long range order in crystals. Justify or criticize. 2
- (c) What is the highest order that can be observed in Bragg's reflection from a crystal of interplanar distance 2Å by X-ray having wavelength 100 pm ? 2
- (d) A metal has a body centred cubic lattice and length of a unit cell is 2.95Å . If the density of the metal is 9.95 gm/cc , calculate the atomic weight of the metal. 3
- (e) The molar volume of KCl is 1.3 times that of NaCl. If the glancing angle for the first order Bragg reflection from the 100 plane of NaCl is 5.9° , calculate the same for KCl. 3
2. (a) (i) Deduce Bragg's law $\lambda = 2d \sin \theta$. 3
- (ii) On what factors does the intensity of the diffracted beam from different sets of planes depend? 2
- (b) The characteristic K_α lines of Cr, Fe and Ni have wavelengths of $2.2009, 1.9373$ and 1.6591Å respectively. (i) Can all be used to determine a lattice spacing of 1 Å ? 3
(ii) What will be the largest value of diffraction angle θ ?
- (c) The unit cell dimension ' a ' of NaCl lattice is 5.63 Å . If X-ray beam of wavelength 1.1 Å falls on a family of planes with a separation of $\left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{5}}\right)$; how many orders of diffraction are observable? 3
- (d) Show that the maximum proportion of available volume which may be filled by hard spheres in simple cube, body centred cube and face centred cube is in the ratio $26:34:37$. 3

UNIT-II

3. (a) Consider a system of n molecules distributed among non-degenerate energy levels represented by $\epsilon_0, \epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots$ etc. Write down the expression for molecular partition function for the system. Show that internal energy (U) of the system can be expressed as 3

$$U = nkT^2 \left(\frac{\partial \ln Q}{\partial T} \right)_V$$

where k is the Boltzmann constant, T and V being the temperature and volume of the system respectively.

- (b) What is meant by most probable macrostate? 1
- (c) In a six particle system four energy states are available and energy levels are nondegenerate. The gap between the successive levels is ϵ . Find out the most probable configurations of the states having energy 10ϵ and 6ϵ . 2+2
- (d) Calculate the relative number of microstates in water with respect to ice at 0°C . Given $\Delta H_{\text{fus}} = 1440 \text{ cal mol}^{-1}$. 3
- (e) Entropy is a function of thermodynamic probability. How can one conclude that the function is logarithmic? 2
4. (a) Define partition function. What is its physical significance? 2
- (b) A system consisting of 4 identical and distinguishable particles, each possessing three available states of 1, 2 and 3 units, has a total of 10 unit energy. Calculate the number of ways, W , in which these conditions are satisfied. 3
- (c) If N molecules are distributed among the possible nondegenerate energy levels $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \epsilon_3, \dots$ etc in an isolated system, show that the entropy of this system can be represented as $S = k\beta E + Nk \ln Q$ (here symbols have their usual meaning). Find the value of β in terms of T . 3
- (d) The relative population in two states with energies E_1 and E_2 satisfying Boltzmann distribution is given by $\frac{n_1}{n_2} = \frac{g_2}{g_1} e^{-(E_1 - E_2)/k_B T}$. What is the relative degeneracy g_2/g_1 ? 2
- (e) State Sterling's approximation and mention the condition of its validity. 1
- (f) Express Helmholtz free energy (A) in terms of partition function. 2

UNIT-III

5. (a) ΔG for a reaction as a function of temperature (T) for low value of T (T approaching zero Kelvin) is given by: 2+1+2

$$\Delta G = a + bT + cT^2$$

- (i) Show that $b=0$; (ii) Find ΔH as a function of temperature and (iii) show schematically the variation of ΔG and ΔH with T on the same plot.
- (b) What is residual entropy? Calculate the residual entropy of two moles of CO molecules from the Boltzmann equation. Which has a higher residual entropy: water or methane? Explain. 1+2+1

- (c) A solution contains equal number of particles with molar masses 10000 g mol^{-1} and 20000 g mol^{-1} respectively, Calculate \overline{M}_n and \overline{M}_m . 2
- (d) What is functionality? The functionality of glycerol is three. Comment. 1+1
6. (a) (i) Evaluate the values of the constants 'x' and 'y' in the equation $C_p - C_v = TV\alpha^x\beta^y$ from dimensional considerations. Terms have their usual significances. 1
- (ii) From Debye's equation for heat capacity of solids calculate the atomic heat of copper at 0°C . 2
- (b) (i) Arrange the following molecules in order of increasing standard molar entropy: $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2(\text{g})$, $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4(\text{g})$ and $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6(\text{g})$. Explain your answer. 3
- (ii) Explain with $S-T$ diagram the process of cooling by adiabatic demagnetisation of paramagnetic substances. 3
- (c) (i) Deduce the relation between number average degree of polymerisation, ' $\langle x_n \rangle$ ' and extent of polymerisation, ' p '. Hence show that near the completion of polymerisation reaction a small increase in ' p ' leads to a large increase in ' $\langle x_n \rangle$ '. 2
- (ii) What are conducting polymers? Give examples and account for their conducting properties. 2

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