



I Semester M.Sc. Degree Examination, January 2015
(2010-11 Onwards (NS) Scheme)
CHEMISTRY
C-101 : Inorganic Chemistry – I

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

Instruction : Answer question 1 and **any five** of the remaining.

1. Answer **any ten** of the following : (2×10=20)

- a) What are Slater's rules ? Using these rules calculate the effective nuclear charge experienced by
 - i) 4s electron of potassium and
 - ii) 3d electron of Nickel
- b) Using electron dot diagrams and formal charges, find the bond order for each bond in POF_3 and XeO_3 .
- c) What is hybridization ? Using this concept explain the shape of BH_3 .
- d) How are σ , π and δ orbitals formed ? Illustrate their formation with appropriate orbital sketches.
- e) 'Borazine is known as inorganic benzene'. Substantiate.
- f) What are zintl isoelectronic relationships in solids ? Explain giving examples.
- g) Depict the M.O diagram of XeF_2 and explain.
- h) Draw a plot of variation of viscosity of sulphur with temperature and explain this behaviour.
- i) Write the equation for self ionization of N_2O_4 and BrF_3 . Justify the ionization with any one reaction for each.
- j) What are amphiboles ? Write their structure.



- k) Calculate the binding energy per nucleon in ^{64}Zn nucleide, whose mass is 63.9493 amu.
(Given : mass of neutron = 1.0090 amu, mass of proton = 1.0081 amu and 1 amu = 931.45 MeV).
- l) Write any two applications of borosilicate glasses.
2. a) What are the postulates of VSEPR theory ? Using this model, predict and explain the shapes of TeF_5^- , XeO_3F_2 , TaF_8^{3-} .
- b) What is the basis for the estimation of electronegativity of an atom by Allen and Allred-Rochow methods ? Discuss.
- c) What is multicenter bonding ? Explain with an example. **(5+4+3=12)**
3. a) Derive Born-Landé equation for the Lattice energy of an ionic solid.
- b) Draw the M.O diagram of CO and explain its salient features. Comment on its bonding ability to d-block metals.
- c) What are Fajau's rules ? How are they useful in explaining the degree of covalent character in ionic solids ? **(4+4+4=12)**
4. a) How are trimeric and tetrameric cyclo-phosphazenes prepared ? Write the structure of trimer and explain the bonding.
- b) How are oxyacids of phosphorous obtained ? Write the structure of ortho-, pyro-, meta- and hypo-phosphoric acids and comment on their properties.
- c) Give the preparation of a tetraborane and discuss its structure. **(4+4+4=12)**
5. a) Discuss the classification of silicates. Sketch and explain the structure of one silicate in each case.
- b) Write a brief note on condensed phosphates.
- c) Discuss the chemistry of any one zeolite with respect to its composition, structure and application. **(5+3+4=12)**



6. a) What are 'hard-soft acids and bases' ? Discuss the HSAB principle and its applications.
- b) Discuss the preparation, properties and applications of isopolytungstates.
- c) What are the evidences for shell model of the nucleus ? Based on this model, predict the nuclear spin and parity of ${}^7\text{Li}$ and ${}^{17}\text{O}$. **(4+4+4=12)**
7. Write short notes on the following : **(3+3+3+3=12)**
- i) Metallocarboranes
 - ii) Metallic bonding
 - iii) Super acids
 - iv) Vitreous silicates.

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