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B.Sc. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,  
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Fourth Semester

Chemistry — Core

INORGANIC CHEMISTRY — II

(For those who joined in July 2021–2022)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer.

- Which of the following is Lux-Flood base?  
(a)  $\text{NH}_3$  (b)  $\text{HCl}$   
(c)  $\text{SiO}_2$  (d)  $\text{CaO}$
- Predict the colour of the alkali metal solutions in liquid  $\text{NH}_3$   
(a) Red (b) Colourless  
(c) Green (d) Blue

- What is the colour of  $\text{Ti}^{4+}$  ion?  
(a) Green (b) Colourless  
(c) Blue (d) Yellow
- If one moving from  $\text{La}^{3+}$  to  $\text{Lu}^{3+}$ , the ionic radius.  
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(a) decreases (b) increases  
(c) remains constant (d) becomes zero
- Which of the following oil is used in Froth flotation process?  
(a) diesel (b) kerosine  
(c) coconut oil (d) pine oil
- Which of the following is not the ore of uranium?  
(a) Pitchblende (b) Carnotite  
(c) Fergusonite (d) Pyrolusite
- Select one of the following which is not a pseudohalogen.  
(a) Cyanogen  
(b) Thiocyanogen  
(c) Azido carbon disulphide  
(d) Iodine trichloride

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8. Predict the hybridisation involved in  $\text{XeF}_2$

- (a)  $\text{sp}^2$  (b)  $\text{sp}^3$   
(c)  $\text{sp}^3\text{d}$  (d)  $\text{sp}^3\text{d}^2$

9. Choose the formula of average deviation

- (a)  $d = \sum_{i=1}^{i=N} (x_i - \bar{x})/N$   
(b)  $d = \sum_{i=1}^{i=N} (x_i - \bar{x})/(N-1)^{1/2}$   
(c)  $d = N \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{i=N} (x_i - \bar{x})$   
(d)  $d = \sum_{i=1}^{i=N} (x_i - \bar{x})/(N-1)^2$

10. Which one of the following belongs to random errors?

- (a) instrument errors  
(b) method errors  
(c) personal errors  
(d) accidental errors whose sources cannot positively identified

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Explain briefly the Brownsted-Lowry theory of acids and bases with suitable examples.

Or

- (b) Discuss any five reactions which take place in liq. HF.

12. (a) Predict the ionisation energy and complex formation reactions of d-block elements.

Or

- (b) Discuss the spectral and magnetic properties of f-block elements.

13. (a) Write the preparation of  $\text{ThO}_2$ . Mention any three chemical properties and uses of it.

Or

- (b) Explain the gravity separation and magnetic separation methods of concentrating ores.





14. (a) Write down the preparation of  $\text{ICl}_3$ . Predict the products when  $\text{ICl}_3$  is heating at  $68^\circ\text{C}$ . What is its use?

Or

- (b) How is  $(\text{SCN})_2$  prepared? Write down its reaction with  $\text{KI}$ ,  $\text{CuSCN}$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ .
15. (a) Distinguish between accuracy and precision.

Or

- (b) In a set of measurements, the following concentrations of Fe (ppm) were reported: 20.2, 20.4, 20.3, 20.1, 19.9, 20.0, 19.8. Calculate the average deviation from mean and standard deviation.

PART C — ( $5 \times 8 = 40$  marks)

Answer ALL questions choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Explain briefly the Lewis concept and Lux-Flood concept of acids and bases with suitable examples.

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- (b) Discuss the following reactions in liq.  $\text{SO}_2$  giving two examples of each type.

- (i) Acid-base reactions
- (ii) Complex formation reaction
- (iii) Precipitation reactions
- (iv) Redox reactions.

17. (a) Explain the following characteristics of d-block elements.

- (i) metallic character
- (ii) oxidation states
- (iii) reducing properties
- (iv) catalytic properties

Or

- (b) Discuss the following characteristics of lanthanides and actinides.

- (i) Electronic configuration
- (ii) Oxidation states
- (iii) Colour

18. (a) State the important ores of zirconium. How is it extracted from its ore? How is it purified?

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(b) Write down the preparation any four properties and uses of  $\text{KMnO}_4$ .

19. (a) How is  $\text{ClF}$  prepared? Write down its reaction with Se, W,  $\text{SO}_2$  and  $\text{SF}_4$ . Discuss its structure.

Or

(b) Discuss the bonding and structure of  $\text{XeOF}_4$  and  $\text{XeOF}_2$ .

20. (a) In the analysis of an iron ore, the percentages of  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  were found to be 66.00, 65.55, 65.90, 67.85, 66.85, 69.90 and 65.00. The value 69.9 appears to be suspect. Ascertain whether this should be retained or rejected. The  $Q_{\text{critical}}$  for 7 observations at 90% confidence level is 0.49.

Or

- (b) (i) Write a note on error distribution curves. (5)  
(ii) Define and explain the terms Mean, Mode and coefficient of variation. (3)

