

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI-86
(For candidates admitted during the academic year 2015-16 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: 15CH/PC/PC14

M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2016
BRANCH IV- CHEMISTRY
FIRST SEMESTER

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COURSE: CORE

PAPER : ADVANCED PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY

TIME : 30 MINUTES

MAX.MARKS : 20

SECTION – A (20x1=20)
ANSWER ON THE QUESTION PAPER ITSELF
Answer all the questions.

I Choose the correct answer:

- The translational partition function for $H_{2(g)}$ at 1000 K and 1 atm pressure is _____.
a) 1.396×10^{30} (b) 1.4×10^{20} (c) 1.5×10^{10} (d) 2×10^{10}
- The Stirling's approximation is _____.
a) $S = k \ln W$ (b) $k = S \ln W$ (c) $K = S$ (d) $K = W$
- Bosons are _____ particles.
(a) distinguishable (b) indistinguishable (c) macro (d) none of these
- The rate law relates the rate of a chemical reaction to
(a) The concentrations of reactants (b) the temperature
(c) the activation energy (d) the reaction mechanism

II Fill in the blanks:

- Equilibrium state is _____.
- The E_a of a reaction whose rate constant is triples by $10^\circ C$ in temperature in the vicinity of $27^\circ C$ is _____.
- In a galvanic cell the following reaction takes place:
 $2H_2O \rightleftharpoons O_{2(g)} + 4H^+ + 4e^-$
It occurs at the _____ electrode.
- Free radical polymerization is carried out in an inert atmosphere because of _____.

III State whether True or False:

- In the Arrhenius equation A is activation energy.
- The Lindemann mechanism was also suggested independently by Christiansen.
- Dorn effect is an electro kinetic phenomenon.
- Cracking process is a catalytic process.

IV Match the following:

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| 13. E_a | (a) Overvoltage |
| 14. H_2 | (b) Arrhenius parameter |
| 15. BET | (c) Salt effect |
| 16. I | (d) Adsorption |

V Answer in one or two sentences:

17. What are microstates?
18. Explain chain reactions.
19. Define isotropic phases.
20. What are Tafel plots?

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SECTION – B

(5x8=40)

Answer any five questions:

- (a) Calculate the rotational partition function of hydrogen molecule at 273K.
($I = 0.459 \times 10^{-40} \text{ g cm}^{-2}$).
(b) Write partition functions for ideal gases.
- Explain the Einstein's theory of heat capacity of solids.
- Explain Phenomenological equations.
- Explain Lindemann – Hinshelwood mechanism.
- Discuss Eyring equation.
- Evaluate the Arrhenius parameters of the reaction if the rate constant is $1.78 \times 10^{-4} \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at 19°C and $1.38 \times 10^{-3} \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at 37°C .
- Discuss the types of adsorption isotherms and explain determination of surface area.

SECTION – C

Answer any Two questions.

(2x20=40)

- Explain the following : (4 x 5 = 20)
 - Stirling Approximation
 - Onsager Reciprocity Relation
 - Explosion Reactions
 - What is the temperature of a 2 level system if energy separation equivalent to 400 cm^{-1} . When the population of upper state is $\frac{1}{3}$ rd of the lower state.
- Derive Butler-Volmer equation for one electron transfer. (8)
 - Describe over potential and electrodeposition. (5)
 - Write an account on $\text{H}_2\text{-O}_2$ fuel cells and diffuse charge model. (7)
- Explain the following : (4 x 5 = 20)
 - Bose-Einstein statistics.
 - Transition state theory.
 - Lippmann equation.
 - Heterogeneous Catalysis.
