# CBSE 12 Chemistry Set 2 (56/1/2) Question Paper with Solutions

me Allowed: 3 hours	<b>Maximum Marks :</b> 70	<b>Total Questions :33</b>
---------------------	---------------------------	----------------------------

#### **General Instructions**

## Read the following instructions very carefully and strictly follow them:

- (i) This question paper contains 33 questions. All questions are compulsory.
- (ii) This question paper is divided into five sections Section A, B, C, D and E.
- (iii) Section A questions number 1 to 16 are multiple choice type questions. Each question carries 1 mark.
- (iv) Section B questions number 17 to 21 are very short answer type questions. Each question carries 2 marks.
- (v) Section C questions number 22 to 28 are short answer type questions. Each q ype q question carries 8 marks.
- (vi) Section D questions number 29 and 30 are case-based questions. Each question carries 4 marks.
- (vii) Section E questions number 31 to 33 are long answer type questions. Each question carries 5 marks.
- (viii) There is no overall choice given in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in few questions in all the sections except Section A.
- (ix) Kindly note that there is a separate question paper for Visually Impaired candidates.
- (x) Use of calculators is not allowed.

## **SECTION A**

Questions no. 1 to 16 are Multiple Choice type Questions, carrying 1 mark each

- 1. The most stable oxidation state of Iron is:
- (A) + 2
- (B) + 3
- (C) +4
- (D) -2

Correct Answer: (B) +3

**Solution:** Iron exists in multiple oxidation states, but Fe<sup>3+</sup> is the most stable due to its half-filled d<sup>5</sup> configuration, making it highly stable and commonly found in nature. Fe<sup>2+</sup> is also common, but it is more prone to oxidation to Fe<sup>3+</sup>. This stability is crucial in biological systems such as hemoglobin and industrial applications like rusting and catalysis.

## Quick Tip

The stability of oxidation states depends on factors like electronic configuration, hydration energy, and ligand interactions.

- 2. The product formed as a result of reaction of CH<sub>3</sub>MgBr and CO<sub>2</sub> followed by hydrolysis is:
- (A)  $CH_3CHO$
- (B)  $CH_3COCH_3$
- **(C)** *HCOOH*
- (D)  $CH_3COOH$

**Correct Answer:** (D) *CH*<sub>3</sub>*COOH* 

Solution: Grignard reagents (RMgBr) are highly reactive nucleophiles that react with carbon dioxide to form carboxylates. Upon hydrolysis, the carboxylate intermediate converts into a carboxylic acid. In this case, methyl magnesium bromide (CH<sub>3</sub>MgBr) reacts with CO<sub>2</sub> to

produce acetic acid (CH<sub>3</sub>COOH). This reaction is widely used in organic synthesis for preparing carboxylic acids.

## Quick Tip

Grignard reagents react with  $CO_2$  to form carboxylic acids upon hydrolysis, making them useful for organic synthesis.

## 3. Nucleotides are composed of:

- (A) Pentose sugar and phosphoric acid
- (B) Nitrogenous base, pentose sugar, and phosphoric acid
- (C) Nitrogenous base and phosphoric acid
- (D) Pentose sugar and nitrogenous base

Correct Answer: (B) Nitrogenous base, pentose sugar, and phosphoric acid

**Solution:** Nucleotides are the fundamental building blocks of DNA and RNA. Each nucleotide consists of: - A nitrogenous base (purines: adenine, guanine; pyrimidines: thymine, cytosine, uracil) - A pentose sugar (deoxyribose in DNA, ribose in RNA) - A phosphate group, which forms the backbone of the nucleic acid structure.

These components enable genetic information storage and transmission.

## Quick Tip

Nucleotides differ from nucleosides as they contain a phosphate group, which is essential for forming the DNA and RNA backbone.

## 4. Which of the following alkyl halides will undergo $S_N$ 1 reaction most readily?

- (A)  $(CH_3)_3I$
- **(B)**  $(CH_3)_3Cl$
- (C)  $(CH_3)_3Br$
- (D)  $(CH_3)_3F$

Correct Answer: (A)  $(CH_3)_3I$ 

**Solution:**  $S_N 1$  reactions favor alkyl halides that form stable carbocations. Tertiary alkyl

halides undergo  $S_N 1$  reactions faster due to increased carbocation stability. Iodine is the best

leaving group among halogens, making tert-Butyl iodide ((CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>I) the most reactive in an

 $S_N 1$  reaction.

Quick Tip

 $S_N1$  reactions prefer tertiary halides and weak nucleophiles, whereas  $S_N2$  reactions

favor primary halides and strong nucleophiles.

5. Phenol dimerises in benzene having van't Hoff factor 0.54. Its degree of association

is:

(A) 0.54

(B) 0.46

(C) 0.92

(D) 0.27

Correct Answer: (C) 0.92

**Solution:** Phenol molecules in benzene tend to associate as dimers through hydrogen

bonding, reducing the number of effective particles in solution. The degree of association ( $\alpha$ )

can be calculated using the van't Hoff factor equation. Since dimerization reduces the

number of particles, the van't Hoff factor is lower than 1, leading to a degree of association

of 0.92.

Quick Tip

Van't Hoff factor helps determine the extent of association or dissociation in solutions,

affecting colligative properties like osmotic pressure and boiling point elevation.

6. A reaction  $A_2 + B_2 \rightarrow 2AB$  occurs by the following mechanism:

4

 $A_2 \to A + A \ (slow)$ 

 $A + B_2 \rightarrow AB + B$  (fast)

 $A + B \rightarrow AB$  (fast)

## Its order would be:

- (A) 1
- (B) 2
- (C) Zero
- (D)  $\frac{1}{2}$

Correct Answer: (A) 1

**Solution:** Since the rate-determining step is the first step  $(A_2 \rightarrow A + A)$ , the rate law depends only on  $A_2$ . Thus, the reaction follows first-order kinetics with respect to  $A_2$ , making the overall reaction first order.

## Quick Tip

In multi-step reactions, the slowest step determines the reaction order, as it is the ratelimiting step.

## 7. Decarboxylation of sodium benzoate on heating with soda lime gives:

- (A) Benzene
- (B) Benzoic acid
- (C) Benzaldehyde
- (D) Toluene

Correct Answer: (A) Benzene

**Solution:** Decarboxylation of sodium benzoate with soda lime (NaOH + CaO) removes the carboxyl group (-COO) and replaces it with a hydrogen atom, forming benzene as the final product. The reaction follows:

$$C_6H_5COONa + NaOH \xrightarrow{\text{CaO, heat}} C_6H_6 + Na_2CO_3$$

Soda lime decarboxylation is commonly used to remove the carboxyl (-COOH) group from carboxylates, producing alkanes or aromatic hydrocarbons.

## 8. The IUPAC name of $CH_3-C(=O)-CH_2-C(=O)-H$ is:

- (A) 1-oxobutan-3-one
- (B) 1-oxobutanal
- (C) 3-oxobutanal
- (D) 3-oxobutanone

**Correct Answer:** (C) 3-oxobutanal

**Solution:** In the given compound, the longest chain contains four carbon atoms, and it has both aldehyde (-CHO) and ketone (C=O) functional groups. According to IUPAC nomenclature, the aldehyde takes priority and is numbered as carbon-1, while the ketone group is assigned position-3, giving the name 3-oxobutanal.

## Quick Tip

When naming organic compounds, functional group priority must be considered. Aldehydes (-CHO) take precedence over ketones (-C=O).

## 9. Dehydration of tertiary alcohols with Cu at 573 K gives:

- (A) Alkyne
- (B) Alkene
- (C) Aldehyde
- (D) Ketone

Correct Answer: (B) Alkene

**Solution:** Tertiary alcohols undergo dehydration when heated with copper (Cu) at 573 K, leading to the formation of alkenes via the E1 (elimination) mechanism. The reaction

follows:

$$R_3C - OH \xrightarrow{\text{Cu, 573 K}} R_2C = CR_2 + H_2O$$

This method is used in industrial applications for producing alkenes from alcohols.

## Quick Tip

Dehydration of primary alcohols at high temperatures produces aldehydes, while secondary alcohols form ketones. Only tertiary alcohols give alkenes.

# 10. In the Arrhenius equation, when log k is plotted against 1/T, a straight line is obtained whose:

- (A) Slope is  $\frac{A}{B}$  and intercept is  $E_a$
- (B) Slope is A and intercept is  $\frac{-E_a}{R}$
- (C) Slope is  $\frac{-E_a}{RT}$  and intercept is log A
- (D) Slope is  $\frac{-E_a}{2.303R}$  and intercept is log A

Correct Answer: (D)  $\frac{-E_a}{2.303R}$  and intercept is log A

**Solution:** The Arrhenius equation is given by:

$$\log k = \log A - \frac{E_a}{2.303RT}$$

Comparing with the straight-line equation y=mx+c, we see that: - Slope =  $\frac{-E_a}{2.303R}$  - Intercept =  $\log A$ 

This equation describes the temperature dependence of reaction rates.

## Quick Tip

The Arrhenius equation helps determine the activation energy  $(E_a)$  of a reaction and explains how temperature affects reaction rates.

## 11. Phenol on reaction with aqueous bromine at room temperature gives:

(A) 2-bromophenol

(B) 3-bromophenol

(C) 4-bromophenol

(D) 2,4,6-tribromophenol

Correct Answer: (D) 2,4,6-tribromophenol

**Solution:** Phenol is highly reactive toward electrophilic aromatic substitution due to the electron-donating effect of the -OH group. When reacted with bromine water (Br<sub>2</sub> in H<sub>2</sub>O), substitution occurs at the ortho (2), para (4), and ortho (6) positions, forming 2,4,6-tribromophenol, a white precipitate.

## Quick Tip

Phenol undergoes electrophilic substitution faster than benzene due to the activating effect of the -OH group, leading to tri-substituted products.

## 12. The specific sequence in which amino acids are arranged in a protein is called:

(A) Secondary structure

(B) Primary structure

(C) Tertiary structure

(D) Quaternary structure

**Correct Answer:** (B) Primary structure

**Solution:** The primary structure of a protein refers to the linear sequence of amino acids connected by peptide bonds. This sequence determines the protein's overall shape and function. Any change in the primary structure (mutation) can affect the protein's biological activity, as seen in diseases like sickle cell anemia.

## Quick Tip

The primary structure of proteins is crucial because it determines how the protein folds into its functional form.

8

For Questions number 13 to 16, two statements are given one labelled as Assertion (A) and the other labelled as Reason (R). Select the correct answer to these questions from the codes (A), (B), (C) and (D) as given below.

- (A) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).
- (B) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true, but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).
- (C) Assertion (A) is true, but Reason (R) is false.
- (D) Assertion (A) is false, but Reason (R) is true.
- **13. Assertion** (A): Aniline is a stronger base than ammonia.

**Reason** (**R**): The unshared electron pair on the nitrogen atom in aniline becomes less available for protonation due to resonance.

Correct Answer: (D) Assertion (A) is false, but Reason (R) is true.

**Solution:** Aniline is actually a weaker base than ammonia because the lone pair on nitrogen participates in resonance with the benzene ring, making it less available for protonation. However, the given reason correctly explains why aniline is a weaker base.

## Quick Tip

The availability of a nitrogen lone pair for protonation determines the basicity of amines. Electron-donating groups increase basicity, while electron-withdrawing groups decrease it.

**14.** Assertion (A): The  $pK_a$  of  $O_2N$ – $CH_2$ –COOH is lower than that of  $CH_3$ –COOH.

**Reason** (**R**): The  $-NO_2$  group shows an electron-withdrawing effect, which increases the acidic character of  $O_2N-CH_2-COOH$ .

**Correct Answer:** (A) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

**Solution:** The nitro  $(-NO_2)$  group is a strong electron-withdrawing group (-I effect) that increases the stability of the carboxylate anion, making  $O_2N-CH_2-COOH$  more acidic than

CH<sub>3</sub>–COOH. Since higher acidity corresponds to a lower  $pK_a$ , Assertion (A) is true, and the Reason (R) correctly explains it.

## Quick Tip

Electron-withdrawing groups increase acidity by stabilizing the conjugate base, while electron-donating groups decrease acidity by destabilizing it.

**15. Assertion** (A): Transition metals have high enthalpy of atomization.

**Reason** (R): This is because transition metals have low melting points.

**Correct Answer:** (C) Assertion (A) is true, but Reason (R) is false.

**Solution:** Transition metals have high enthalpy of atomization because of the strong metallic bonding and extensive d-orbital interactions. However, the melting points of transition metals are generally high, not low, making the given reason false.

## Quick Tip

High enthalpy of atomization in transition metals results from strong metallic bonding, which also contributes to high melting and boiling points.

**16. Assertion** (**A**): When NaCl is added to water, elevation in boiling point is observed. **Reason** (**R**): Elevation in boiling point is a colligative property.

**Correct Answer:** (B) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true, but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

**Solution:** Adding NaCl to water increases the boiling point due to the presence of dissolved ions, which disrupt the vapor pressure of the solution. While boiling point elevation is a colligative property, the effect also depends on the number of solute particles rather than the chemical nature of the solute.

Colligative properties depend on the number of solute particles in a solution, not their identity. Other colligative properties include freezing point depression, osmotic pressure, and vapor pressure lowering.

## **SECTION B**

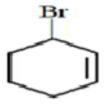
17. (a) Draw the structures of major monohalo products in each of the following reactions:

(i) 
$$CH = CH_2 + HBr \longrightarrow$$

(ii) 
$$\longrightarrow$$
 + Br<sub>2</sub>  $\xrightarrow{\text{UV light}}$ 

**Solution:** (i) Reaction with HBr: The addition of HBr to styrene ( $C_6H_5CH=CH_2$ ) follows Markovnikov's rule, leading to the formation of 1-bromoethylbenzene as the major product.

(ii) Bromination in UV light: In the presence of UV light, free radical substitution occurs, resulting in the formation of bromocyclohexane as the major product.



11

Markovnikov's rule states that in the electrophilic addition of HX to an alkene, the hydrogen atom adds to the carbon with more hydrogen atoms.

#### OR

- (b) Give reasons for the following:
- (i) Grignard reagent should be prepared under anhydrous conditions.

**Solution:** Grignard reagents (RMgX) are highly reactive towards moisture. If water is present, it reacts with the Grignard reagent, forming an alkane instead of undergoing the desired reaction. This is why anhydrous conditions are necessary during preparation and storage.

## Quick Tip

Grignard reagents act as strong nucleophiles and bases, reacting rapidly with even small amounts of water, making anhydrous conditions essential.

(ii) Alkyl halides give alcohol with aqueous KOH whereas in the presence of alcoholic KOH, alkenes are formed.

**Solution:** - Aqueous KOH favors nucleophilic substitution ( $S_N 1/S_N 2$ ) reactions, where OH<sup>-</sup> acts as a nucleophile, forming alcohols. - Alcoholic KOH, due to the presence of alkoxide ions (RO<sup>-</sup>), is a stronger base and favors the elimination (E2) reaction, leading to alkene formation.

## Quick Tip

Aqueous KOH leads to substitution ( $S_N 1/S_N 2$ ), while alcoholic KOH favors elimination (E2), producing alkenes due to its stronger basic nature.

## 18. What happens when D-glucose is treated with the following reagents?

## (a) Br<sub>2</sub> water

**Solution:** When D-glucose is treated with bromine water (Br<sub>2</sub> in H<sub>2</sub>O), the aldehyde (-CHO) group at C-1 is selectively oxidized to a carboxylic acid (-COOH), forming D-gluconic acid.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{CHO} & \text{CH=N-OH} \\ \text{(CHOH)}_4 & \xrightarrow{\text{NH}_2\text{OH}} & \text{(CHOH)}_4 \\ \text{CH}_2\text{OH} & \text{CH}_2\text{OH} \end{array}$$

## Quick Tip

Bromine water is a mild oxidizing agent that selectively oxidizes the aldehyde (-CHO) group to a carboxyl (-COOH) group without affecting the hydroxyl (-OH) groups.

## (b) HCN

**Solution:** When D-glucose is treated with hydrogen cyanide (HCN), the -CHO (aldehyde) group at C-1 reacts with HCN, forming a cyanohydrin (-C(OH)(CN)). This reaction increases the carbon chain by one, leading to the formation of a cyanohydrin derivative.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
CHO & CH < \stackrel{CN}{\searrow} \\
(CHOH)_4 & \stackrel{HCN}{\longrightarrow} & (CHOH)_4 \\
CH_2OH & CH_2OH
\end{array}$$

## Quick Tip

HCN reacts with carbonyl (-CHO or ¿C=O) groups to form cyanohydrins, increasing the carbon chain and making the molecule useful for further transformations.

## 19. Write the chemical equations when:

(a) Pentan-3-one is treated with  $H_2N-NH_2$  followed by heating with KOH in high boiling solvent such as ethylene glycol.

13

**Solution:** When Pentan-3-one reacts with hydrazine (H<sub>2</sub>N-NH<sub>2</sub>), it forms a hydrazone derivative. Upon further heating with KOH in ethylene glycol, it undergoes the Wolff-Kishner reduction, leading to the complete removal of the carbonyl oxygen and yielding n-pentane.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3 - \text{CH}_2 - \text{C} - \text{CH}_2 - \text{CH}_3 & \frac{\text{H}_2 \, \text{N} - \text{NH}_2}{\text{KOHGlycol}} & \text{CH}_3 - \text{CH}_2 - \text{CH}_2 - \text{CH}_2 - \text{CH}_3 \end{array}$$

## Quick Tip

The Wolff-Kishner reduction is used to convert ketones and aldehydes into alkanes by completely removing the oxygen atom.

## (b) Two molecules of (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>C-CHO are treated with conc. NaOH.

**Solution:** The reaction of pivaldehyde (tert-butyraldehyde) [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>C–CHO] with conc. NaOH undergoes the Cannizzaro reaction, where one molecule is reduced to alcohol, and the other is oxidized to a carboxylate ion.

$$2(CH_3)_3C - CHO$$
 Conc.NaOH  $(CH_3)_3C - COO^-Na^+ + (CH_3)_3C - CH_2 - OH$ 

## Quick Tip

The Cannizzaro reaction occurs when aldehydes lacking  $\alpha$ -hydrogen undergo disproportionation in the presence of a strong base, forming an alcohol and a carboxylate.

# 20. Calculate the potential of the iron electrode in which the concentration of $Fe^{2+}$ ion is 0.01 M.

$$(E_{\rm Fe^{2+}/Fe}^{\circ} = -0.45V \text{ at } 298 \text{ K})$$

[Given: log 10 = 1]

**Solution:** Applying the Nernst equation:

$$E_{\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}} = E_{\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}}^{\circ} - \frac{0.059}{2} \log \frac{1}{[\text{Fe}^{2+}]}$$

Substituting the given values:

$$E_{\mathrm{Fe^{2+}/Fe}} = -0.45 - \frac{0.059}{2} \log \frac{1}{0.01}$$
 
$$= -0.45 - 0.059$$
 
$$= -0.509V$$

**Correct Answer:** The electrode potential is -0.509 V.

## Quick Tip

The Nernst equation is used to calculate the electrode potential under non-standard conditions. The factor 0.059/n is used at 298 K to adjust for ion concentration changes.

## 21. Write two differences between order of reaction and molecularity of reaction.

#### **Solution:**

Order of Reaction	Molecularity	
1.Can be zero or fractional.	1.Can't be zero or fractional.	
2.Determined experimentally.	2.Not determined experimentally.	
3. Applicable for complex reactions.	3.Not applicable for complex reactions.	

## Quick Tip

The order of a reaction is determined from experimental data, while molecularity is the total number of molecules in the elementary reaction.

## **SECTION C**

22. Compound (A)  $(C_6H_{12}O_2)$  on reduction with LiAlH<sub>4</sub> gives two compounds (B) and (C). The compound (B) on oxidation with PCC gives compound (D) which upon treatment with dilute NaOH and subsequent heating gives compound (E). Compound (E) on catalytic hydrogenation gives compound (C). The compound (D) is oxidized further to give compound (F) which is found to be a monobasic acid (Molecular weight = 60). Identify the compounds (A), (B), (C), (D), (E) and (F).

#### **Solution:**

**Identifying Compound** (A) The molecular formula of compound (A) is  $C_6H_{12}O_2$ , which could be either a carboxylic acid or an ester. Upon reduction with LiAlH<sub>4</sub>, it gives two compounds, indicating the presence of both a carboxyl group and an ester group in compound (A). The most likely structure of compound (A) is ethyl acetate ( $CH_3COOCH_2CH_3$ ).

## CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COOCH<sub>3</sub> or CH<sub>3</sub>COOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>

**Identifying Compound (B)** Upon reduction with LiAlH<sub>4</sub>, compound (A) gives compound (B), which is likely ethanol (CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH).

## CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH

**Identifying Compound** (C) Upon reduction with LiAlH<sub>4</sub>, compound (B) (acetaldehyde) gets reduced to propyl alcohol (CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH). LiAlH<sub>4</sub> is a strong reducing agent, typically used to reduce aldehydes to primary alcohols.

#### CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH

**Identifying Compound (D)** Compound (B) is ethanol (CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH). When ethanol is oxidized using PCC (Pyridinium chlorochromate), it is converted to acetaldehyde

(CH<sub>3</sub>CHO). This reaction is typical for primary alcohols, where mild oxidants like PCC prevent further oxidation to carboxylic acids.

## D: CH<sub>3</sub>CHO

**Identifying Compound** (**E**) Upon catalytic hydrogenation of acetaldehyde (CH<sub>3</sub>CHO), acrolein (CH<sub>3</sub>CH=CHCHO) is formed. This reaction involves the reduction of the carbonyl group in acetaldehyde into an alkene group while keeping the aldehyde functional group intact.

$$CH_3CH = CH - CHO$$

**Identifying Compound (F)** Upon further oxidation of acrolein (CH<sub>3</sub>CH=CHCHO), acetic acid (CH<sub>3</sub>COOH) is produced. This is a common reaction where aldehydes undergo oxidation to form carboxylic acids.

## CH<sub>3</sub>COOH

## Quick Tip

- Reduction with LiAlH<sub>4</sub> reduces ester and carboxyl groups to alcohols. - Oxidation with PCC selectively oxidizes alcohols to aldehydes. - Hydrogenation reduces aldehydes to alcohols.

## 23. Answer the following: (any three)

## (a) What is peptide linkage?

**Solution:** A peptide linkage is a covalent bond that joins two amino acids through the carboxyl group (-COOH) of one amino acid and the amino group  $(-NH_2)$  of another, forming a -CONH bond. This reaction results in the elimination of water  $(H_2O)$  and is known as a peptide bond.

Amino acid 1 – COOH + Amino acid 2 – NH<sub>2</sub>  $\rightarrow$  Peptide bond +  $H_2O$ 

## (b) What type of bonds hold a DNA double helix together?

**Solution:** The DNA double helix is held together primarily by hydrogen bonding between the complementary nitrogenous bases. The adenine (A) base forms two hydrogen bonds with thymine (T), and guanine (G) forms three hydrogen bonds with cytosine (C). These hydrogen bonds are essential for the stability of the double helix structure of DNA.

## (c) Which one of the following is a polysaccharide? Sucrose, Glucose, Starch, Fructose

**Solution:** The correct answer is starch. Starch is a polysaccharide composed of long chains of glucose molecules. It serves as a storage carbohydrate in plants. Sucrose and fructose are monosaccharides or disaccharides, and glucose is a monosaccharide.

## (d) Give one example each for water-soluble vitamins and fat-soluble vitamins.

**Solution:** - Water-soluble vitamins: Vitamin B and Vitamin C. - Fat-soluble vitamins: Vitamin A, D, E, K. These vitamins are classified based on their solubility, with water-soluble vitamins dissolving in water and fat-soluble vitamins dissolving in fats and oils.

## Quick Tip

- Peptide bonds form the backbone of proteins. - Hydrogen bonds are weak but critical for stabilizing the structure of DNA. - Starch is a major energy storage polysaccharide in plants. - Water-soluble vitamins are essential for metabolic processes, while fat-soluble vitamins are stored in fat tissues.

## 24. (a) Write the mechanism of the following reaction:

$$CH_3CH_2OH \xrightarrow{H^+ 443 \text{ K}} CH_2 = CH_2$$

**Solution:** The mechanism for the dehydration of ethanol (CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH) to ethene (CH<sub>2</sub>=CH<sub>2</sub>) under acidic conditions involves the following steps:

**Step 1: Formation of protonated alcohol (Fast step)** Ethanol (CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH) reacts with the proton (H<sup>+</sup>) to form the protonated alcohol (ethyl oxonium ion).

$$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + H^+ \to \text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}^+$$

**Step 2: Formation of carbocation (Slow step)** The protonated alcohol undergoes loss of water to form a carbocation, which is the rate-determining step.

$$CH_3CH_2OH^+ \rightarrow CH_3C^+ + H_2O$$

**Step 3: Formation of ethene by elimination of a proton (Fast step)** The carbocation formed in Step 2 loses a proton to form ethene.

Thus, the overall reaction is:

$$CH_3C^+CH_2 \rightarrow C_2H_4(Ethene) + H^+$$

(b) Write the main product in each of the following reactions:

(i) 
$$CH_3 - CH_2 - CH = CH_2 \xrightarrow{a) B_2H_6} b) 3H_2O_2/OH^-$$

(ii) OH
$$a) \text{ aq. NaOH}$$

$$b) \text{ CO}_2, \text{ H}^+$$

**Solution:** For the given reactions:

- (i) The oxidation of the hydroboration product with hydrogen peroxide  $(H_2O_2)$  and hydroxide  $(OH^-)$  leads to the formation of a diol.

The main product will be (CH<sub>3</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>OH), 1-propanol.

- (ii) Phenol ( $C_6H_5OH$ ) reacts with aqueous NaOH to form phenoxide ion ( $C_6H_5O$ ). When phenol reacts with  $CO_2$  in the presence of  $H^+$ , it undergoes carboxylation to form salicylic acid (2-hydroxybenzoic acid).

Main product: Salicylic acid (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>(OH)COOH)

In reactions of alcohols and phenols, the product formation can be understood by considering the reactivity of the hydroxyl group (-OH) with reagents such as borane, hydrogen peroxide, or carboxylic acids.

# **25.** (a) Write the formula for the following coordination compound: Potassium tetrahydroxidozincate (II)

**Solution:** The formula for potassium tetrahydroxidozincate (II) is:

$$K_2[\mathbf{Zn}(\mathbf{OH})_4]$$

# (b) Arrange the following complexes in the increasing order of conductivity of their solution:

$$[Cr(NH_3)_5Cl]Cl_2, [Cr(NH_3)_3Cl_3], [Cr(NH_3)_6Cl_3]$$

**Solution:** The conductivity of a compound in solution depends on the number of ions it dissociates into. The more dissociation, the higher the conductivity. For the given complexes: -  $[Cr(NH_3)_5Cl]Cl_2$  dissociates into 2 ions. -  $[Cr(NH_3)_3Cl_3]$  dissociates into 4 ions. -  $[Cr(NH_3)_6Cl_3]$  dissociates into 6 ions.

Thus, the order of conductivity is:

$$[Cr(NH_3)_3Cl_3] < [Cr(NH_3)_5Cl]Cl_2 < [Cr(NH_3)_6Cl_3]$$

## (c) Identify the type of isomerism exhibited by the following complexes:

- (i)  $[Co(NH_3)_5NO_2]^{2+}$
- (ii)  $[Co(en)_3]Cl_3$

**Solution:** (i)  $[Co(NH_3)_5NO_2]^{2+}$  exhibits linkage isomerism, as the NO ligand can bind through either the nitrogen or the oxygen atom.

(ii) [Co(en)<sub>3</sub>]Cl<sub>3</sub> exhibits optical isomerism, as the complex is chiral and does not have a plane of symmetry.

Linkage isomerism occurs when a ligand can coordinate to the metal through two different atoms, while optical isomerism occurs when a molecule lacks any symmetry elements, such as a plane of symmetry, making it non-superimposable on its mirror image.

## 26. (a) Which of the following is an allylic halide?

$$_{(i)}$$
 CH<sub>3</sub> – CH = CH – Br

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathrm{CH_2} = \mathrm{CH} - \mathrm{CH} - \mathrm{CH_3} \\ | \\ \mathrm{Br} \end{array}$$

**Solution:** An allylic halide is a compound in which the halogen is attached to a carbon that is adjacent to a double bond. From the given options:

(i):  $CH_3 - CH = CH - Br$  is not an allylic halide because the halogen (Br) is not adjacent to the double bond.

$${
m CH_2} = {
m CH} - {
m CH} - {
m CH_3}$$
 (ii): Br is an allylic halide, as the halogen (Br) is attached to the carbon that is adjacent to the double bond.

Thus, the correct allylic halide is option (ii).

## Quick Tip

An allylic halide has the halogen attached to a carbon atom that is adjacent to a carboncarbon double bond. This makes it more reactive in certain reactions, such as allylic substitution.

# (b) Out of chlorobenzene and 2,4,6-trinitrochlorobenzene, which is more reactive towards nucleophilic substitution and why?

Solution: 2,4,6-Trinitrochlorobenzene is more reactive towards nucleophilic substitution

because the nitro (NO<sub>2</sub>) groups present on the benzene ring are electron-withdrawing in nature. These groups pull electron density away from the ring, making the carbon-chlorine bond weaker and easier to break, facilitating nucleophilic attack. In contrast, chlorobenzene does not have such electron-withdrawing groups, making it less reactive towards nucleophilic substitution.

## Quick Tip

Electron-withdrawing groups such as nitro (NO<sub>2</sub>) increase the reactivity of aromatic compounds in nucleophilic substitution reactions by destabilizing the carbon-halogen bond.

## (c) Which isomer of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>Cl has the lowest boiling point?

**Solution:** The isomer of  $C_4H_9Cl$  with the lowest boiling point is tert-butyl chloride  $(CH_3)_3C-Cl$ . This is because branching reduces the surface area of the molecule, leading to weaker intermolecular forces (van der Waals forces) and consequently a lower boiling point compared to the straight-chain isomer.

## Quick Tip

Branched isomers generally have lower boiling points compared to their straight-chain counterparts due to weaker van der Waals forces arising from their reduced surface area.

## 27. The following initial rate data were obtained for the reaction:

$$2NO\left(g\right)+Br_{2}(g)\rightarrow2NOBr\left(g\right)$$

Expt. No.	[NO]/mol L <sup>-1</sup>	$[\mathrm{Br}_2]/\mathrm{mol}\ \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	Initial Rate (mol L <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )
1	0.05	0.05	1.0 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>
2	0.05	0.15	3·0 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>
3	0.15	0.05	$9.0 \times 10^{-3}$

- (a) What is the order with respect to NO and  $Br_2$  in the reaction?
- (b) Calculate the rate constant (k).
- (c) Determine the rate of reaction when the concentrations of NO and  $Br_2$  are 0.4 M and 0.2 M, respectively.

#### **Solution:**

Rate law for the reaction can be expressed as:

Rate = 
$$k[NO]^p[Br_2]^q$$

Where p is the order with respect to NO and q is the order with respect to  $Br_2$ .

(a) Determining the order with respect to NO (p) Compare experiments 1 and 2 to eliminate the effect of Br<sub>2</sub> concentration and find p. From experiments 1 and 2:

$$\frac{1 \times 10^{-3}}{3 \times 10^{-3}} = \frac{k[0.05]^p[0.05]^q}{k[0.05]^p[0.15]^q}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^q \quad \Rightarrow \quad q = 1$$

Determining the order with respect to  $Br_2(q)$  Compare experiments 1 and 3 to eliminate the effect of NO concentration and find p. From experiments 1 and 3:

$$\frac{9 \times 10^{-3}}{1 \times 10^{-3}} = \frac{k[0.15]^p [0.05]^q}{k[0.05]^p [0.05]^q}$$

$$\frac{9}{1} = \left(\frac{3}{1}\right)^p \quad \Rightarrow \quad p = 2$$

Thus, the order with respect to NO is 2 and the order with respect to  $Br_2s$  is 1.

(b) Calculating the rate constant (k) Use the rate law and the data from any experiment to solve for k. Using experiment 1:

$$1 \times 10^{-3} = k[0.05]^2[0.05]$$

$$k = \frac{1 \times 10^{-3}}{(0.05)^3} = 8 L^2 \,\text{mol}^{-2} \,\text{s}^{-1}$$

(c) Determining the rate when the concentrations of NO and  $Br_2$  are 0.4 M and 0.2 M Now that we have the value of k, we can use it to calculate the rate when [NO] = 0.4 M and [ $Br_2$ ] = 0.2 M.

$$Rate = k[NO]^2[Br_2]$$

Rate = 
$$8L^2 \text{ mol}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \times (0.4)^2 \times 0.2$$

Rate = 
$$8 \times 0.16 \times 0.2 = 2.56 \times 10^{-1} \,\text{mol L}^{-1} \,\text{s}^{-1}$$

When determining the order of a reaction with respect to reactants, use the method of comparing experiments with different concentrations of one reactant while keeping others constant. This will help isolate the effect of each reactant on the rate.

28. When a certain conductivity cell was filled with 0.05 M KCl solution, it has a resistance of 100 ohms at 25°C. When the same cell was filled with 0.02 M  $AgNO_3$  solution, the resistance was 90 ohms. Calculate the conductivity and molar conductivity of  $AgNO_3$  solution.

Conductivity of 0.05 M KCl solution =  $1.35 \times 10^{-2} \,\Omega^{-1} \, \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ 

#### **Solution:**

To calculate the conductivity of AgNO<sub>3</sub> solution, we will use the relationship between the conductivity, resistance, and the cell constant.

The cell constant  $(G^*)$  is calculated using the following equation:

Cell constant 
$$(G^*)$$
 = Conductivity  $\times$  Resistance

For KCl solution:

$$G^* = 1.35 \times 10^{-2} \, \Omega^{-1} \, \mathrm{cm}^{-1} \times 100 \, \Omega = 1.35 \, \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$$

Now, for the AgNO<sub>3</sub> solution, we can use the same cell constant:

$$G^* = 1.35 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-1} = \mathrm{Conductivity} \times 90 \,\Omega$$

Conductivity = 
$$\frac{1.35}{90}$$
 = 0.015 S/cm

Next, we calculate the molar conductivity  $(\Lambda_m)$  using the formula:

$$\Lambda_m = \text{Conductivity} \times \frac{1000}{\text{Concentration}}$$

For AgNO<sub>3</sub> solution with concentration 0.02 M:

$$\Lambda_m = 0.015 \,\text{S/cm} \times \frac{1000}{0.02} = 750 \,\text{Scm}^2/\text{mol}$$

Thus, the molar conductivity of the  ${\rm AgNO_3~solution~is~750\,Scm^2/mol.}$ 

## Quick Tip

To calculate molar conductivity, the formula  $\Lambda_m = \text{Conductivity} \times \frac{1000}{C}$  is used, where C is the concentration of the solution in mol/L.

#### **SECTION D**

The following questions are case-based questions. Read the case carefully and answer the questions that follow.

29. The Valence Bond Theory (VBT) explains the formation, magnetic behaviour and geometrical shapes of coordination compounds whereas 'The Crystal Field Theory' for coordination compounds is based on the effect of different crystal fields (provided by ligands taken as point charges), on the degeneracy of d-orbital energies of the central metal atom/ion. The splitting of the d-orbitals provides different electronic arrangements in strong and weak crystal fields. The crystal field theory attributes the colour of the coordination compounds to d-d transition of the electron. Coordination compounds find extensive applications in metallurgical processes, analytical and medicinal chemistry.

**Answer the following questions:** 

(a). What is crystal field splitting energy?

**Solution:** The energy used in the splitting of degenerate d-orbitals due to the presence of ligands in a definite geometry is called Crystal Field Splitting Energy.

**Step 1: Understanding Crystal Field Splitting Energy** When ligands approach a transition metal ion, the degeneracy of the d-orbitals is lifted due to electrostatic interactions, causing them to split into two sets of orbitals:

 $t_{2g}$  (lower energy) and  $e_g$  (higher energy)

The energy difference between these orbitals is called Crystal Field Splitting Energy ( $\Delta$ ).

Crystal Field Splitting Energy ( $\Delta$ ) depends on: - The nature of the ligand (strong field or weak field). - The oxidation state of the metal ion. - The geometry of the complex (octahedral, tetrahedral, square planar).

(b). Give reason for the violet colour of the complex  $[{\bf Ti}({\bf H}_2{\bf O})_6]^{3+}$  on the basis of crystal field theory.

**Solution:** The violet colour arises due to the d-d electronic transition within the split d-orbitals.

Step 1: Electronic Configuration of  $[Ti(H_2O)_6]^{3+}$  For  $Ti^{3+}$ , the electronic configuration is:

$$Ti^{3+} = 3d^1$$

**Step 2: Crystal Field Splitting and d-d Transition** In an octahedral field, the d-orbitals split into:

$$t_{2q}$$
 (lower energy) and  $e_q$  (higher energy)

Since  $Ti^{3+}$  has one electron, it occupies the  $t_{2g}$  orbital as:

$$t_{2a}^{1}e_{a}^{0}$$

Step 3: Cause of Violet Colour When visible light is absorbed, the electron gets excited from the  $t_{2g}$  to the  $e_g$  orbital, causing a d-d transition. The observed colour (violet) is due to the complementary colour of the absorbed wavelength.

# Quick Tip

The colour of transition metal complexes is due to d-d transitions. The nature of ligands and the splitting energy  $\Delta$  determine the observed colour.

(c).  $[Cr(NH_3)_6]^{3+}$  is paramagnetic while  $[Ni(CN)_4]^{2-}$  is diamagnetic. Explain why.

**Solution:**  $[Cr(NH_3)_6]^{3+}$  is paramagnetic due to unpaired electrons, while  $[Ni(CN)_4]^{2-}$  is diamagnetic due to electron pairing.

# Step 1: Electronic Configuration of Cr<sup>3+</sup> and Ni<sup>2+</sup>

$$Cr^{3+} = 3d^3$$
,  $Ni^{2+} = 3d^8$ 

Step 2: Effect of Ligands on Magnetic Properties -  $NH_3$  is a weak field ligand, so it does not cause electron pairing in  $[Cr(NH_3)_6]^{3+}$ , leaving unpaired electrons in the  $t_{2g}$  orbitals. -  $CN^-$  is a strong field ligand, so it pairs electrons in  $[Ni(CN)_4]^{2-}$ , making it diamagnetic.

## Quick Tip

- Strong field ligands like  $CN^-$  cause pairing of electrons, leading to diamagnetic behaviour. - Weak field ligands like  $NH_3$  do not cause pairing, leading to paramagnetism.

OR (c) Explain why  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  is an inner orbital complex, whereas  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$  is an outer orbital complex.

**Correct Answer:**  $[Fe(CN)_6]^{3-}$  is an inner orbital complex due to strong ligand-induced pairing, whereas  $[Fe(H_2O)_6]^{3+}$  is an outer orbital complex due to weak ligand-induced hybridization.

**Solution: Step 1: Electronic Configuration of Fe**<sup>3+</sup>

$$Fe^{3+} = 3d^5$$

Step 2: Effect of Ligands on Hybridization -  $CN^-$  is a strong field ligand, causing electron pairing and leading to  $d^2sp^3$  hybridization (inner orbital complex). -  $H_2O$  is a weak field ligand, preventing electron pairing and leading to  $sp^3d^2$  hybridization (outer orbital complex).

# Quick Tip

- Inner orbital complexes involve  $d^2sp^3$  hybridization with strong ligands. Outer orbital complexes involve  $sp^3d^2$  hybridization with weak ligands.
- 30. Batteries and fuel cells are very useful forms of galvanic cells. Any battery or cell that we use as a source of electrical energy is basically a galvanic cell. However, for a

battery to be of practical use, it should be reasonably light, compact, and its voltage should not vary appreciably during its use. There are mainly two types of batteries — primary batteries and secondary batteries.

In primary batteries, the reaction occurs only once and after use over a period of time, the battery becomes dead and cannot be reused again, whereas the secondary batteries are rechargeable.

Production of electricity by thermal plants is not a very efficient method and is a major source of pollution. To solve this problem, galvanic cells are designed in such a way that energy of combustion of fuels is directly converted into electrical energy, and these are known as fuel cells. One such fuel cell was used in the Apollo space program.

## **Answer the following questions:**

## (a) How do primary batteries differ from secondary batteries?

**Solution:** Primary batteries are not rechargeable, meaning that once the chemical reaction has taken place, the battery cannot be reused. An example is the common alkaline battery, where the zinc undergoes oxidation and the manganese dioxide undergoes reduction, and once the reactants are exhausted, the battery is dead. On the other hand, secondary batteries are rechargeable. For example, a lead-acid battery is a secondary battery where the reaction is reversible, allowing the battery to be recharged by reversing the flow of current.

# (b) The cell potential of the Mercury cell is 1.35 V, and remains constant during its life. Give a reason.

**Solution:** The constant potential of the Mercury cell is due to the fact that the overall reaction does not involve any ion in solution whose concentration can change during the cell's life. The reaction is:

$$HgO(s) + Zn(s) \rightarrow Hg(l) + ZnO(s)$$

Since the concentration of solid zinc and mercury oxide remains constant throughout the process, the cell's potential remains stable at 1.35 V throughout the life of the battery.

(c) Write the reactions involved in the recharging of the lead storage battery.

**Solution:** The lead storage battery undergoes the following reactions during discharging and recharging:

During discharging:

$$PbO_2(s) + H_2SO_4(aq) \rightarrow PbSO_4(s) + H_2O(l)$$

During recharging, the following reactions occur:

**Cathode reaction:** 

$$\mathsf{PbSO}_4(s) + 2e^- \to \mathsf{Pb}(s) + \mathsf{SO}_4^{2-}(aq)$$

**Anode reaction:** 

$$PbSO_4(s) + 2H_2O(l) \rightarrow PbO_2(s) + SO_4^{2-}(aq) + 4H^+(aq) + 2e^-$$

OR

- (c) Write two advantages of fuel cells over other galvanic cells.
- (i) Fuel cells are more efficient because they convert chemical energy directly into electrical energy without the need for mechanical processes, making them more efficient compared to thermal power generation.
- (ii) Fuel cells are pollution-free because they produce only water and heat as byproducts, unlike other batteries or power sources that release harmful gases such as CO2.

## Quick Tip

Primary batteries are single-use, non-rechargeable batteries, while secondary batteries are rechargeable due to reversible reactions. Fuel cells convert energy from combustion into electrical energy and are more efficient and environmentally friendly than conventional methods.

#### **SECTION E**

- 31 (a) (i) Account for the following:
- (1) The melting and boiling points of Zn, Cd, and Hg are low.

#### **Solution:**

The melting and boiling points of Zn, Cd, and Hg are low due to the absence of unpaired electrons in their d-orbitals, leading to weak metallic bonding between atoms.

**Electronic Configuration and Bonding** - Zn, Cd, and Hg belong to Group 12 and have a completely filled d<sup>10</sup> configuration. - The lack of unpaired d-electrons reduces the extent of metallic bonding, making these metals soft with low melting and boiling points.

**Weak Interatomic Forces** - In transition metals, strong metallic bonding arises due to overlapping of d-orbitals. - However, in Zn, Cd, and Hg, fully filled d-orbitals do not contribute to bonding, resulting in weak interatomic forces and low melting/boiling points.

## Quick Tip

- Fully filled d-orbitals weaken metallic bonding. - Strong metallic bonding requires unpaired d-electrons.

# (2). Of the $d^4$ species, $Cr^{2+}$ is strongly reducing while $Mn^{3+}$ is strongly oxidizing.

#### **Solution:**

 $Cr^{2+}$  is strongly reducing because it tends to oxidize to the stable  $d^3$  configuration in  $Cr^{3+}$ , while  $Mn^{3+}$  is strongly oxidizing as it prefers to reduce to the more stable  $d^5$  configuration in  $Mn^{2+}$ .

**Electronic Configurations** - Chromium (Cr):

$$Cr^{2+} = [Ar]3d^4$$

$$\operatorname{Cr}^{3+} = [\operatorname{Ar}]3d^3$$
 (Stable  $\operatorname{t}^3_{2g}$  configuration)

- Manganese (Mn):

$$Mn^{3+} = [Ar]3d^4$$

$$\mathrm{Mn}^{2+} = [\mathrm{Ar}] 3d^5$$
 (Stable half-filled  $\mathrm{d}^5$  configuration)

**Explanation** -  $Cr^{2+}$  loses an electron easily to form  $Cr^{3+}$  (stable  $d^3$ ), making it a strong reducing agent. -  $Mn^{3+}$  readily gains an electron to form  $Mn^{2+}$  (stable  $d^5$ ), making it a strong oxidizing agent.

- Stable electronic configurations drive oxidation/reduction tendencies. -  $Cr^{2+}$  prefers oxidation to  $d^3$ ,  $Mn^{3+}$  prefers reduction to  $d^5$ .

(3).  $E^0$  value of  $Cu^{2+}/Cu$  is +0.34 V.

#### **Solution:**

The high atomization enthalpy ( $\Delta H_{\text{atom}}^0$ ) and low hydration enthalpy ( $\Delta H_{\text{hydr}}^0$ ) of copper make its standard reduction potential ( $E^0$ ) positive.

**Explanation of**  $E^0$  **Value** - The electrode potential  $(E^0)$  depends on: - Atomization enthalpy  $(\Delta H^0_{\mathrm{atom}})$ : The energy required to convert solid Cu to  $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$  is high. - Hydration enthalpy  $(\Delta H^0_{\mathrm{hydr}})$ :  $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$  has low hydration energy, making it less stable in aqueous solution.

**Effect on**  $E^0$  **Value** - Due to low hydration enthalpy, the reduction of  $Cu^{2+}$  to Cu is not highly favored. - Hence,  $Cu^{2+}/Cu$  has a positive  $E^0$  value of +0.34 V, indicating that Cu is less reactive than expected.

# Quick Tip

- High atomization enthalpy and low hydration enthalpy make  $Cu^{2+} \rightarrow Cu$  less favorable, giving a positive  $E^0$  value.

(ii) Complete and balance the following chemical equations:

(1) 
$$KMnO_4 \xrightarrow{heat}$$

(2) 
$$\operatorname{Cr}_{2}\operatorname{O}_{7}^{2-} + 6\operatorname{I}^{-} + 14\operatorname{H}^{+} \longrightarrow$$

#### **Explanation:**

(1): Thermal decomposition of Potassium Permanganate (KMnO<sub>4</sub>) - On heating, potassium permanganate (KMnO<sub>4</sub>) decomposes to form potassium manganate ( $K_2MnO_4$ ),

manganese dioxide ( $MnO_2$ ), and oxygen gas ( $O_2$ ). - This reaction is used in laboratories as a source of oxygen.

$$2KMnO_4 \xrightarrow{\text{heat}} K_2MnO_4 + MnO_2 + O_2$$

(2): Redox Reaction of Dichromate and Iodide in Acidic Medium - Dichromate  $(Cr_2O_7^{2-})$  acts as an oxidizing agent and oxidizes iodide  $(I^-)$  to iodine  $(I_2)$  in acidic medium. - The chromium in dichromate is reduced from  $Cr^{6+}$  to  $Cr^{3+}$ . - The reaction follows the principles of redox balancing, maintaining charge and mass balance.

$$Cr_2O_7^{2-} + 6I^- + 14H^+ \rightarrow 2Cr^{3+} + 3I_2 + 7H_2O$$

## Quick Tip

-  $KMnO_4$  decomposition is a key reaction in the production of oxygen in labs. - Dichromate-Iodide reaction is a classic redox reaction where  $Cr^{6+}$  is reduced, and  $I^-$  is oxidized to  $I_2$ . - Always balance chemical equations by ensuring both mass and charge conservation.

OR

## (b).(i) Out of Cu<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and CuCl<sub>2</sub>, which is more stable in aqueous solution and why?

**Solution:** CuCl<sub>2</sub> is more stable than Cu<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> in aqueous solution because Cu<sup>2+</sup> is more stable than Cu<sup>+</sup> due to its higher hydration enthalpy  $(\Delta_{hvd}H^{\circ})$ .

In aqueous solution, Cu<sup>+</sup> undergoes disproportionation, as shown in the equation:

$$2Cu^+(aq) \to Cu^{2+}(aq) + Cu(s)$$

## (ii) Write the general electronic configuration of f-block elements.

**Solution:** The general electronic configuration of f-block elements is:

$$(n-2)f^{1-14}(n-1)d^{0-1}ns^2$$

# (iii) Predict which of the following will be coloured in aqueous solution and why?

[Atomic numbers: 
$$Sc = 21$$
,  $Fe = 26$ ,  $Zn = 30$ ]

**Solution:** Among the given ions, Fe<sup>3+</sup> is coloured in aqueous solution because it has unpaired electrons in its d-orbital, which allows d-d transitions.

On the other hand: -  $Sc^{3+}$  has an empty d-orbital ( $d^0$  configuration), so no d-d transition occurs  $\rightarrow$  Colourless. -  $Zn^{2+}$  has a fully filled d-orbital ( $d^{10}$  configuration), so no d-d transition occurs  $\rightarrow$  Colourless.

## (iv) How can you obtain potassium dichromate from sodium chromate?

**Solution:** Potassium dichromate ( $K_2Cr_2O_7$ ) can be obtained from sodium chromate ( $Na_2CrO_4$ ) through the following reactions:

$$2Na_2CrO_4 + 2H^+ \rightarrow Na_2Cr_2O_7 + 2Na^+ + H_2O$$

$$Na_2Cr_2O_7 + 2KCl \rightarrow K_2Cr_2O_7 + 2NaCl$$

## (v) Why do transition metals and their compounds show catalytic activities?

**Solution:** Transition metals and their compounds show catalytic activity because: - They can exhibit variable oxidation states, allowing them to form intermediate complexes during reactions. - They can adsorb reactants onto their surface, increasing reaction rates. - Their large surface area provides active sites for catalytic activity.

## Quick Tip

- $Cu^+$  undergoes disproportionation, making  $CuCl_2$  more stable in aqueous solution.
- $Fe^{3+}$  is coloured due to d-d transitions, whereas  $Sc^{3+}$  and  $Zn^{2+}$  are colourless. Potassium dichromate is obtained from sodium chromate via acidification and reaction with KCl. Transition metals act as catalysts due to variable oxidation states and large surface area.

32(a)(i). At the same temperature,  $CO_2$  gas is more soluble in water than  $O_2$  gas. Which one of them will have a higher value of  $K_H$  and why?

**Solution:**  $O_2$  gas has a higher  $K_H$  value because a higher  $K_H$  means lower solubility of the gas in liquid.

Step 1: Understanding Henry's Law Constant  $(K_H)$  Henry's law states that:

$$C = K_H P$$

where C is the concentration of the gas in liquid,  $K_H$  is Henry's law constant, and P is the partial pressure of the gas.

Step 2: Relationship Between  $K_H$  and Solubility

$$K_H \propto \frac{1}{\text{Solubility of Gas}}$$

Since  $CO_2$  is more soluble in water than  $O_2$ , it has a lower  $K_H$  value. Thus,  $O_2$  has a higher  $K_H$ .

## Quick Tip

- A higher  $K_H$  means lower solubility of the gas. - A lower  $K_H$  means higher solubility of the gas.

(ii). How does the size of blood cells change when placed in an aqueous solution containing more than 0.9% (mass/volume) sodium chloride?

**Solution:** Blood cells shrink.

**Step 1: Understanding Hypertonic Solutions** A solution with more than 0.9% NaCl is hypertonic compared to the fluid inside blood cells.

**Step 2: Effect on Blood Cells** Due to osmosis, water moves out of the blood cells into the hypertonic solution to balance the concentration gradient. This leads to shrinking (crenation) of blood cells.

- Hypertonic solution: Water leaves the cell, causing shrinkage. - Hypotonic solution: Water enters the cell, causing swelling.

# (iii). 1 molal aqueous solution of an electrolyte $A_2B_3$ is 60% ionized. Calculate the boiling point of the solution.

**Solution:**  $T_b = 374.768$  K (or 374.918 K if considering the boiling point of water as 373.15 K)

Step 1: Boiling Point Elevation Formula The boiling point elevation is given by:

$$\Delta T_b = iK_b m$$

where,  $K_b = 0.52 \, K \cdot kg \cdot mol^{-1}$  (for water), m = 1 molal, i = van't Hoff factor.

Step 2: Calculation of Van't Hoff Factor The dissociation of  $A_2B_3$  is:

$$A_2B_3 \to 2A^+ + 3B^-$$

Total particles before dissociation = 1, Total particles after dissociation = 5. Degree of ionization  $\alpha$  is given as 60% (0.6).

$$i = 1 + \alpha(n-1)$$

$$i = 1 + 0.6(5 - 1)$$

$$i = 1 + 2.4 = 3.4$$

## **Step 3: Calculate Boiling Point Elevation**

$$\Delta T_b = 3.4 \times 0.52 \times 1$$

$$\Delta T_b = 1.768 \; \mathrm{K}$$

$$T_b = 373 + 1.768 = 374.768 \text{ K}$$

If the boiling point of water is taken as 373.15 K,

$$T_b = 373.15 + 1.768 = 374.918 \text{ K}$$

- The van't Hoff factor (i) accounts for the number of particles formed in solution. - A higher i results in a greater elevation in boiling point. - Electrolytes with higher ionization lead to larger  $\Delta T_b$ .

#### OR

32(b)(i). The vapour pressures of A and B at 25°C are 75 mm Hg and 25 mm Hg, respectively. If A and B are mixed such that the mole fraction of A in the mixture is 0.4, then calculate the mole fraction of B in the vapour phase.

**Solution:** The mole fraction of B in the vapour phase is 0.33

Step 1: Calculate Total Vapour Pressure Using Raoult's Law,

$$P_T = P_A^0 X_A + P_B^0 X_B$$

Substituting values:

$$P_T = (75 \times 0.4) + (25 \times 0.6)$$

$$P_T = 30 + 15 = 45 \text{ mm Hg}$$

## **Step 2: Calculate Partial Pressure of B**

$$P_B = y_B \times P_T$$

$$y_B = \frac{P_B}{P_T} = \frac{P_B^0 X_B}{P_T}$$

$$y_B = \frac{(25 \times 0.6)}{45} = \frac{15}{45} = \frac{1}{3} = 0.33$$

# Quick Tip

- Raoult's Law: The partial vapour pressure of each component in an ideal solution is proportional to its mole fraction. - The component with a lower vapour pressure contributes less to the total vapour pressure.

# (ii). Define colligative property. Which colligative property is preferred for the molar mass determination of macromolecules?

**Solution:** A colligative property depends only on the number of solute particles and not on their nature. Osmotic pressure is the preferred colligative property for molar mass determination of macromolecules.

**Step 1: Definition of Colligative Property** Colligative properties are solution properties that depend only on the concentration of solute particles and not on their identity.

**Examples of Colligative Properties:** - Relative lowering of vapour pressure - Boiling point elevation - Freezing point depression - Osmotic pressure

Step 2: Why Osmotic Pressure is Preferred for Macromolecules? - Osmotic pressure  $(\pi = CRT)$  is highly sensitive to small concentrations, making it ideal for determining the molar mass of macromolecules like proteins and polymers. - Unlike boiling point elevation or freezing point depression, osmotic pressure is measurable at room temperature, preventing thermal degradation of macromolecules.

## Quick Tip

- Colligative properties depend on the number of solute particles, not their identity. - Osmotic pressure is preferred for macromolecules due to its high sensitivity and suitability at room temperature.

## (iii) Why are equimolar solutions of sodium chloride and glucose not isotonic?

**Solution:** Sodium chloride undergoes dissociation (i = 2) in water, while glucose does not (i = 1). The osmotic pressure is given by:

$$\pi = iCRT$$

For NaCl, i = 2, and for glucose, i = 1. Therefore, equimolar solutions of NaCl and glucose do not have the same osmotic pressure and are not isotonic.

The van 't Hoff factor (i) plays a crucial role in determining osmotic pressure. For ionic compounds like NaCl, i is greater than 1 due to dissociation, whereas for non-electrolytes like glucose, i = 1.

## 33 Answer any five questions of the following:

33(a). N,N-diethylbenzenesulphonamide is insoluble in alkali. Give reason.

**Solution:** N,N-diethylbenzenesulphonamide does not contain any hydrogen atom attached to nitrogen, making it non-acidic and thus insoluble in alkali.

**Step 1: Understanding the Nature of N,N-Diethylbenzenesulphonamide** - In order for a compound to dissolve in alkali, it must have an acidic hydrogen atom that can react with OH<sup>-</sup>.

**Step 2: Why It Is Insoluble** - Sulphonamides that contain a hydrogen attached to nitrogen are acidic and dissolve in alkali. - However, in N,N-diethylbenzenesulphonamide, both hydrogen atoms on nitrogen are replaced by ethyl groups, making it non-acidic and hence, insoluble in alkali.

## Quick Tip

- Only acidic compounds dissolve in alkali. - The absence of an acidic hydrogen makes a compound insoluble in bases.

## (b). Aniline does not undergo Friedel-Crafts reaction. Why?

**Solution:** Due to salt formation with AlCl<sub>3</sub>, aniline becomes a Lewis base, deactivating the benzene ring.

**Step 1: Role of Lewis Acid Catalyst in Friedel-Crafts Reaction** - Friedel-Crafts alkylation and acylation require a Lewis acid catalyst like AlCl<sub>3</sub> to generate the electrophile.

Step 2: Interaction Between Aniline and  $AlCl_3$  - Aniline  $(C_6H_5NH_2)$  has a lone pair on

nitrogen, which interacts with AlCl<sub>3</sub>, forming a salt.

$$C_6H_5NH_2 + AlCl_3 \rightarrow [C_6H_5NH_2]^+[AlCl_3]^-$$

- This deactivates the benzene ring, making it less reactive toward electrophilic substitution.

**Step 3: Conclusion** Due to this salt formation, aniline does not undergo Friedel-Crafts reaction.

## Quick Tip

- AlCl<sub>3</sub> forms a salt with aniline, deactivating the benzene ring. - Electrophilic substitution is hindered, preventing Friedel-Crafts reaction.

## (c). Write a simple chemical test to distinguish between methylamine and aniline.

**Correct Answer:** Diazotization Test: Aniline forms a diazonium salt, which gives an orange dye with phenol, whereas methylamine does not.

Solution: Step 1: Diazotization of Aniline - Aniline reacts with nitrous acid  $(HNO_2)$  at low temperature  $(0-5^{\circ}C)$  to form benzene diazonium chloride.

$$C_6H_5NH_2 + \mathit{HNO}_2 \to C_6H_5N_2^+\mathit{Cl}^-$$

Step 2: Coupling Reaction with Phenol - The diazonium salt reacts with phenol to form an orange dye. - Methylamine  $(CH_3NH_2)$  does not undergo diazotization and does not form the orange dye.

## Quick Tip

- Aniline undergoes diazotization and forms a coloured dye. - Methylamine does not form a diazonium salt.

## (d). Write the chemical reaction involved in Gabriel phthalimide synthesis.

**Solution:** Gabriel phthalimide synthesis is used for the preparation of primary amines.

## Step 1: Formation of N-Alkyl Phthalimide

Phthalimide 
$$+ KOH \rightarrow$$
 Potassium Phthalimide

Potassium Phthalimide  $+R-X \rightarrow N$ -Alkyl Phthalimide

## **Step 2: Hydrolysis to Form Primary Amine**

N-Alkyl Phthalimide  $+ NaOH \rightarrow Primary Amine + Phthalic Acid$ 

## Quick Tip

- Gabriel Phthalimide Synthesis is specific for primary amines. - Secondary and tertiary amines are not formed in this reaction.

## (e). How will you convert aniline to p-bromoaniline?

**Solution:** Aniline is acetylated, then brominated, and finally hydrolyzed to obtain p-bromoaniline.

## **Step 1: Acetylation of Aniline**

Aniline + 
$$(CH_3CO)_2O \rightarrow$$
 Acetanilide

## **Step 2: Bromination of Acetanilide**

Acetanilide  $+Br_2 + CH_3COOH \rightarrow p$ -Bromoacetanilide

## Step 3: Hydrolysis to p-Bromoaniline

p-Bromoacetanilide  $+ OH^- \rightarrow$  p-Bromoaniline

## Quick Tip

- Direct bromination of aniline gives both ortho and para isomers. - Acetylation controls the reaction to favor p-bromoaniline.

## (f). Complete the following reaction:

$$C_6H_5N_2^+Cl^- \xrightarrow{\text{(i) HBF}_4} \xrightarrow{\text{(ii) NaNO}_2/Cu} ?$$

**Solution:** The given reaction follows the Sandmeyer and Balz-Schiemann reactions, leading to the formation of fluorobenzene and nitrobenzene.

**Step 1: Balz-Schiemann Reaction (Fluorination)** The first step involves treating benzene diazonium chloride with HBF<sub>4</sub>, forming benzene diazonium tetrafluoroborate.

$$C_6H_5N_2^+Cl^- + HBF_4 \rightarrow C_6H_5N_2^+BF_4^-$$

On heating, it decomposes to form fluorobenzene:

$$C_6H_5N_2^+BF_4^- \xrightarrow{\Delta} C_6H_5F + N_2 + BF_3$$

**Step 2: Sandmeyer Reaction (Nitration)** The second step involves treating benzene diazonium chloride with NaNO<sub>2</sub>/Cu, which replaces diazonium with a nitro (-NO<sub>2</sub>) group, forming nitrobenzene.

$$C_6H_5N_2^+Cl^- + NaNO_2/Cu, \Delta \to C_6H_5NO_2 + N_2$$

## Quick Tip

- The Balz-Schiemann reaction is used to introduce fluorine into the benzene ring. - The Sandmeyer reaction is used to introduce nitro  $(-NO_2)$  and other functional groups.

## (g). Write the structures of A and B in the following reaction:

$$C_6H_5COOH \xrightarrow{NH_3,\Delta} A \xrightarrow{Br_2/NaOH} B$$

**Solution:** -  $A = \text{Benzamide} (C_6 H_5 CON H_2)$ 

-  $B = Aniline (C_6H_5NH_2)$ 

Step 1: Conversion of Benzoic Acid to Benzamide When benzoic acid ( $C_6H_5COOH$ ) is heated with ammonia, it undergoes amide formation, forming benzamide ( $C_6H_5CONH_2$ ).

$$C_6H_5COOH + NH_3 \xrightarrow{\Delta} C_6H_5CONH_2$$

Step 2: Hoffmann Bromamide Degradation When benzamide  $(C_6H_5CONH_2)$  reacts with Br<sub>2</sub>/NaOH, the carbonyl (-CO) group is removed, leading to the formation of aniline  $(C_6H_5NH_2)$ .

$$C_6H_5CONH_2 + Br_2 + NaOH \rightarrow C_6H_5NH_2 + Na_2CO_3$$

## Quick Tip

- The Hoffmann Bromamide Reaction is used for amide to amine conversion by removing the carbonyl group. - This reaction reduces carbon count by 1, making it useful for amine synthesis.