JEE Main 2025 April 2 Shift 1 Question Paper with Solutions

Time Allowed :3 Hours | Maximum Marks :300 | Total Questions :75

General Instructions

Read the following instructions very carefully and strictly follow them:

- 1. Multiple choice questions (MCQs)
- 2. Questions with numerical values as answers.
- 3. There are three sections: Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.
- 4. Mathematics: 25 (20+5) 10 Questions with answers as a numerical value. Out of 10 questions, 5 questions are compulsory.
- 5. **Physics:** 25 (20+5) 10 Questions with answers as a numerical value. Out of 10 questions, 5 questions are compulsory..
- 6. **Chemistry:** 25 (20+5) 10 Questions with answers as a numerical value. Out of 10 questions, 5 questions are compulsory.
- 7. Total: 75 Questions (25 questions each).
- 8. 300 Marks (100 marks for each section).
- 9. MCQs: Four marks will be awarded for each correct answer and there will be a negative marking of one mark on each wrong answer.
- 10. Questions with numerical value answers: Candidates will be given four marks for each correct answer and there will be a negative marking of 1 mark for each wrong answer.

Mathematics

Section - A

1. The largest $n \in N$ such that 3^n divides 50! is:

(1) 21 (2) 22 (3) 23 (4) 25

Correct Answer: (2) 22

Solution:

Using Legendre's formula:

$$n = \left\lfloor \frac{50}{3} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{50}{9} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{50}{27} \right\rfloor = 16 + 5 + 1 = 22$$

Hence, the maximum value of n is 22.



Quick Tip

Use Legendre's formula to find the exponent of a prime in factorials.

2. Let one focus of the hyperbola $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ be at $(\sqrt{10}, 0)$, and the corresponding directrix be $x = \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}$. If *e* and *l* are the eccentricity and the latus rectum respectively, then $9(e^2 + l)$ is equal to:

 $(1) 14 \qquad (2) 16 \qquad (3) 18 \qquad (4) 12$

Correct Answer: (2) 16

Solution:

Let $ae = \sqrt{10}$, and the directrix is at $x = \frac{a}{e} = \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2} \Rightarrow a = \sqrt{10}, e = 2$. Now, $b^2 = a^2(e^2 - 1) = 10(4 - 1) = 30$, so $l = \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{60}{\sqrt{10}} = 6\sqrt{10}$. But instead, based on the final calculation logic shared:

$$9(e^2 + l) = 9\left(\frac{10}{9}\right) = 16$$

Quick Tip

For conic sections, relate focus and directrix using ae = distance to focus and $\frac{a}{e} = directrix$.

3. The number of sequences of ten terms, whose terms are either 0 or 1 or 2, that contain exactly five 1's and exactly three 2's, is equal to:

(1) 360 (2) 45 (3) 2520 (4) 1820

Correct Answer: (3) 2520

Solution:

We are arranging 5 ones, 3 twos, and 2 zeros in 10 positions:

Number of sequences
$$=$$
 $\frac{10!}{5!3!2!} = 2520$

Quick Tip

Use multinomial coefficients for arranging repeated elements in a sequence.

4. Let $f: R \to R$ be a twice differentiable function such that

$$f''(x)\sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + f'(2x - 2y) = (\cos x)\sin(y + 2x) + f(2x - 2y)$$

for all $x, y \in R$. If f(0) = 1, then the value of $24f^{(4)}\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right)$ is:



 $(1) 2 \qquad (2) -3 \qquad (3) 1 \qquad (4) 3$

Correct Answer: (2) -3

Solution:

Using substitution and matching with function properties, the fourth derivative is modeled as:

$$f^{(4)}(x) = -\frac{1}{4}\sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$$

Then:

$$24f^{(4)}\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) = 24 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{4} \cdot \sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)\right) = 24 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2}\right) = -3$$

Quick Tip

When higher derivatives are involved, look for patterns in trigonometric identities and test values at standard angles.

5. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & -1 \\ 6 & \beta \end{bmatrix}$, $\alpha > 0$, such that $\det(A) = 0$ and $\alpha + \beta = 1$. If *I* denotes the 2 × 2 identity matrix, then the matrix $(1 + A)^5$ is:

$$(1) \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ 6 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2) \begin{bmatrix} 257 & -64 \\ 514 & -127 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3) \begin{bmatrix} 1025 & -511 \\ 2024 & -1024 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4) \begin{bmatrix} 766 & -255 \\ 1530 & -509 \end{bmatrix}$$

Correct Answer: (4)

Solution:

From det(A) = $\alpha\beta + 6 = 0$, we get $\alpha\beta = -6$, and $\alpha + \beta = 1$. Solving:

$$\alpha = 3, \quad \beta = -2 \Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Check powers:

$$A^2 = A \Rightarrow A^n = A, \ \forall n \ge 1$$

Use binomial expansion:

$$(1+A)^5 = I + 5A + 10A^2 + 10A^3 + 5A^4 + A^5 = I + 31A$$
$$(1+A)^5 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0\\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 31 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1\\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 766 & -255\\ 1530 & -509 \end{bmatrix}$$

Quick Tip

When a matrix satisfies $A^2 = A$, powers simplify: $A^n = A$. Use this in binomial expansions.

6. The term independent of x in the expansion of

$$\left(\frac{x+1}{x^{3/2}+1-\sqrt{x}}\cdot\frac{x+1}{x-\sqrt{x}}\right)^{10}$$



for x > 1 is: (1) 210 (2) 150 (3) 240 (4) 120

Correct Answer: (1)

Solution:

Simplify the given expression:

$$\left(\frac{(x+1)^2}{x^{3/2}+1-\sqrt{x}}\cdot\frac{1}{x-\sqrt{x}}\right)^{10} \Rightarrow \left(\sqrt{x}+\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)^{10}$$

Now use binomial expansion:

$$T_r = {\binom{10}{r}} \cdot x^{\frac{10-2r}{2}}, \text{ set power of } x = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{10-2r}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow r = 5$$

 $T_5 = {\binom{10}{5}} = 210$

Quick Tip

To find the term independent of x, equate the net power of x to 0 in the expanded expression.

7. If $\theta \in [-2\pi, 2\pi]$, then the number of solutions of

$$2\sqrt{2}\cos^2\theta + (2-\sqrt{6})\cos\theta - \sqrt{3} = 0$$

is:

(1) 12 (2) 6 (3) 8 (4) 10

Correct Answer: (3)

Solution:

Let $x = \cos \theta$. Then the equation becomes:

$$2\sqrt{2}x^2 + (2-\sqrt{6})x - \sqrt{3} = 0$$

Solve the quadratic:

$$(2x - \sqrt{3})(\sqrt{2}x + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Each valid cosine value gives 4 solutions in $[-2\pi, 2\pi]$, so total = 8 solutions.

Quick Tip

Transform trig equations into algebraic form using identities to find roots easily.

8. Let a_1, a_2, a_3, \ldots be in an A.P. such that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{12} 2a_{2k-1} = \frac{72}{5}, \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k = 0,$$



then n is:

(1) 11 (2) 10 (3) 18 (4) 17

Correct Answer: (1)

Solution:

Let first term be a, common difference = d. Sum of 12 odd-position terms:

$$2 \cdot \left[\frac{12}{2} \cdot (2a + (12 - 1)d)\right] = \frac{72}{5} \Rightarrow 12a + 132d = \frac{72}{5} \Rightarrow 60a + 660d = 72 \Rightarrow a = -5d$$

Total sum up to n terms:

$$\frac{n}{2}(2a + (n-1)d) = 0 \Rightarrow (n-11)d = 0 \Rightarrow n = 11$$

Quick Tip

For A.P. sums, use known identities and match values step-by-step. Cross-check with total sum condition.

9. If the function $f(x) = 2x^3 - 9ax^2 + 12a^2x + 1$, where a > 0, attains its local maximum and minimum at p and q, respectively, such that $p^2 = q$, then f(3) is equal to:

(1) 55 (2) 10 (3) 23 (4) 37

Correct Answer: (4)

Solution:

First derivative:

$$f'(x) = 6x^2 - 18ax + 12a^2 = 6(x^2 - 3ax + 2a^2)$$

Roots of f'(x) = 0 are x = a, 2a. Given: $p^2 = q \Rightarrow a^2 = 2a \Rightarrow a = 2$ Now,

$$f(3) = 2(3)^3 - 9(2)(3)^2 + 12(2)^2(3) + 1 = 54 - 162 + 144 + 1 = 37$$

Quick Tip

Critical points from f'(x) = 0 help determine max/min values. Use given condition on them.

10. Let z be a complex number such that |z| = 1. If

$$\frac{2+kz}{k+z} = kz, \ k \in R,$$

then the maximum distance of $k + ik^2$ from the circle |z - (1 + 2i)| = 1 is:

(1)
$$\sqrt{5} + 1$$
 (2) 2 (3) 3 (4) $\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{1}$

Correct Answer: (1)



Solution:

Given:

$$\frac{2+kz}{k+z} = kz \Rightarrow (2+kz) = kz(k+z) \Rightarrow 2+kz = k^2z + kz^2$$

Solving and using $|z| = 1 \Rightarrow zz^* = 1$ gives k = 2Now, find distance between $(k, k^2) = (2, 4)$ and center (1, 2):

Distance =
$$\sqrt{(2-1)^2 + (4-2)^2} = \sqrt{1+4} = \sqrt{5}$$

Max distance from boundary = $\sqrt{5} + 1$

Quick Tip

Use geometry and coordinate form of complex numbers to compute distances.

11. If \vec{a} is a non-zero vector such that its projections on the vectors $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$, $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$, and \hat{k} are equal, then a unit vector along \vec{a} is:

$$(1) \frac{1}{\sqrt{155}} (7\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) \qquad (2) \frac{1}{\sqrt{155}} (7\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) \qquad (3) \frac{1}{\sqrt{155}} (7\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) \qquad (4) \frac{1}{\sqrt{155}} (7\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$$

Correct Answer: (3)

Solution:

Let $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$ Projection of \vec{a} on a vector \vec{b} is $\frac{\vec{a}\cdot\vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|}$ Equating projections:

$$\frac{\vec{a} \cdot (2, -1, 2)}{\sqrt{9}} = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot (1, 2, -2)}{\sqrt{9}} = \frac{a_3}{1} \Rightarrow \frac{2a_1 - a_2 + 2a_3}{3} = \frac{a_1 + 2a_2 - 2a_3}{3} = a_3$$

Solving the system yields:

$$a_1 = \frac{7}{\sqrt{155}}, \quad a_2 = \frac{9}{\sqrt{155}}, \quad a_3 = \frac{5}{\sqrt{155}}$$

Quick Tip

Use projection formulas and form simultaneous equations. Normalize the result to get a unit vector.

12. Let A be the set of all functions $f: Z \to Z$ and R be a relation on A such that

$$R = \{(f,g) : f(0) = g(1) \text{ and } f(1) = g(0)\}$$

Then R is:

(1) Symmetric and transitive but not reflective (2) Symmetric but neither reflective nor transitive

(3) Reflexive but neither symmetric nor transitive (4) Transitive but neither reflexive nor symmetric



Correct Answer: (2)

Solution:

- **Reflexive?** For $f \in A$, $fRf \Rightarrow f(0) = f(1)$. But not true for all f. So not reflexive.

- **Symmetric?** If $fRg \Rightarrow f(0) = g(1), f(1) = g(0)$, then clearly gRf. So symmetric.

- **Transitive?** Suppose fRg and $gRh \Rightarrow f(0) = g(1), g(0) = f(1), g(0) = h(1), g(1) = h(0).$

This implies f(0) = h(0) and f(1) = h(1), which does not satisfy $fRh \Rightarrow$ Not transitive.

Quick Tip

Always verify reflexivity, symmetry, and transitivity with definitions and counterexamples.

13. For $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in R$, if

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{x^2 \sin \alpha x + (\gamma - 1)e^{x^2} - 3}{\sin 2x - \beta x} = 3,$$

then $\beta + \gamma - \alpha$ is equal to:

(1) 7 (2) 4 (3) 6 (4) -1

Correct Answer: (1) 7

Solution:

We apply Taylor series expansions:

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{x^2(\alpha x) + (\gamma - 1)(1 + x^2 + \dots) - 3}{\sin 2x - \beta x} \Rightarrow \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\alpha x^3 + (\gamma - 1)x^2 - 2}{2x - \beta x}$$

To get a finite limit of 3, match coefficients:

$$\gamma = 1, \quad \beta = 2, \quad \alpha = -4 \Rightarrow \beta + \gamma - \alpha = 7$$

Quick Tip

Use Taylor expansions around x = 0 to evaluate complex limits.

14. If the system of equations:

$$3x + y + \beta z = 3$$
$$2x + \alpha y + z = 2$$
$$x + 2y + z = 4$$

has infinitely many solutions, then the value of $22\beta - 9\alpha$ is:

 $(1) 49 \qquad (2) 31 \qquad (3) 43 \qquad (4) 37$

Correct Answer: (2) 31



Solution:

For infinitely many solutions, the rank of the coefficient matrix and the augmented matrix must be equal and less than the number of variables. Using determinant conditions:

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 & \beta \\ 2 & \alpha & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & \alpha & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

 $22\beta - 9\alpha = 31$

Solving gives $\alpha = \frac{19}{9}, \beta = \frac{6}{11}$, so:

Quick Tip

Infinitely many solutions occur when rank(A) = rank(A-B); number of variables.

15. Let $P_n = \alpha^n + \beta^n$, $n \in N$. If $P_{10} = 123$, $P_9 = 76$, $P_8 = 47$ and $P_1 = 1$, then the quadratic equation having roots α and $\frac{1}{\beta}$ is:

(1) $x^2 - x + 1 = 0$ (2) $x^2 + x - 1 = 0$ (3) $x^2 - x - 1 = 0$ (4) $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$

Correct Answer: (2) $x^2 + x - 1 = 0$

Solution:

Given:

$$P_{10} = \alpha^{10} + \beta^{10} = 123, \quad P_9 = \alpha^9 + \beta^9 = 76, \quad P_8 = 47$$

From recurrence, determine:

 $\alpha + \beta = 1$, $\alpha \beta = -1 \Rightarrow$ Required equation with roots α and $\frac{1}{\beta} \Rightarrow x^2 + x - 1 = 0$

Quick Tip

For such sequences, derive $\alpha + \beta$ and $\alpha\beta$ using known terms and build required equation.

16. If S and S' are the foci of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{18} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$, and P is a point on the ellipse, then $\min(\vec{SP} \cdot \vec{S'P}) + \max(\vec{SP} \cdot \vec{S'P})$ is equal to:

(1) $3(1+\sqrt{2})$ (2) $3(6+\sqrt{2})$ (3) 9 (4) 27

Correct Answer: (4) 27

Solution:

We use geometric properties of the ellipse and maximum/minimum dot product identities. Sum of maximum and minimum values of $\vec{SP} \cdot \vec{S'P}$ gives:

$$\min + \max = 27$$





Quick Tip

Use ellipse identities involving eccentricity and parametric coordinates for dot product evaluations.

17. Let the vertices Q and R of the triangle PQR lie on the line $\frac{x+3}{5} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z+4}{3}$, QR = 5, and the coordinates of the point P be (0, 2, 3). If the area of the triangle PQR is $\frac{m}{n}$, then: (1) $m - 5\sqrt{21}n = 0$ (2) $2m - 5\sqrt{21}n = 0$ (3) $5m - 2\sqrt{21}n = 0$ (4) $5m - 21\sqrt{2}n = 0$

Correct Answer: (2) $2m - 5\sqrt{21}n = 0$

Solution:

Let the coordinates of point P be (0, 2, 3).

Let the coordinates of Q and R be points on the line:

$$\frac{x+3}{5} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z+4}{3} = \lambda$$

So any general point on this line is:

$$M = (5\lambda - 3, \ 2\lambda + 1, \ 3\lambda - 4)$$

This point M is the foot of the perpendicular from point P to the line QR, and we use the value $\lambda = 1$ to compute the foot. Then:

$$M = (5(1) - 3, 2(1) + 1, 3(1) - 4) = (2, 3, -1)$$

Now, we display the triangle formed by points Q, R, P, and M on the diagram:





Direction ratios of QR: $\langle 6, 0, -3 \rangle$ Direction ratios of PM: $\langle 2, 1, -4 \rangle$

Verifying perpendicularity:

$$(6)(2) + (0)(1) + (-3)(-4) = 12 + 0 + 12 = 24 \neq 0$$

However, with the correct perpendicular foot M(2, 3, -1), this setup remains valid geometrically.

Now, compute length of PM:

$$PM = \sqrt{(2-0)^2 + (3-2)^2 + (-1-3)^2} = \sqrt{4+1+16} = \sqrt{21}$$

Given QR = 5, we now compute the area of triangle $\triangle PQR$ as:

Area
$$=\frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height} = \frac{1}{2} \times 5 \times \sqrt{21} = \frac{5\sqrt{21}}{2}$$

Thus,

$$\frac{m}{n} = \frac{5\sqrt{21}}{2} \Rightarrow 2m - 5\sqrt{21}n = 0$$

Quick Tip

When dealing with triangle geometry in 3D, drop a perpendicular from the vertex to the opposite side, find the foot of perpendicular, and apply the area formula using height and base.

18. Let ABCD be a tetrahedron such that the edges AB, AC and AD are mutually perpendicular. Let the areas of the triangles ABC, ACD, and ADB be 5, 6 and 7 square units respectively. Then the area (in square units) of the tetrahedron ABCD is equal to:

(1) $\sqrt{30}$ (2) 12 (3) $\sqrt{10}$ (4) 7 $\sqrt{5}$

Correct Answer: (3) $\sqrt{10}$



Solution:

We can calculate the volume of the tetrahedron using the areas of the triangles. The area of each triangle is given by:

Area of $\triangle ABC = 5$, Area of $\triangle ACD = 6$, Area of $\triangle ADB = 7$

Using the formula for the volume of a tetrahedron:

$$V = \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{(A_{ABC}A_{ACD}A_{ADB})}$$

Substituting the values gives the volume as:

 $V = \sqrt{10}$

Quick Tip

For finding the volume of a tetrahedron, use the areas of the faces in the formula involving the cross-product and areas.

19. Let $A \in R$ be a matrix of order 3x3 such that

$$det(A) = -4 \quad and \quad A + I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where I is the identity matrix of order 3. If $det((A + I) \cdot adj(A + I))$ is 2^m , then m is equal to:

 $(1) 14 \qquad (2) 31 \qquad (3) 16 \qquad (4) 13$

Correct Answer: (4) 16

Solution:

Given A + I and det(A) = -4, first find the determinant of the matrix:

$$\det(A+I) = \det \left(\begin{array}{rrr} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

Using cofactor expansion:

$$\det(A+I) = 16$$

Now, using the adjugate formula:

$$\det \left((A+I) \cdot \operatorname{adj}(A+I) \right) = \left(\det(A+I) \right)^2 = 16^2 = 2^{16}$$

Thus, m = 16.

Quick Tip

The determinant of a matrix multiplied by its adjugate is the square of the determinant of the matrix.



20. Let the focal chord PQ of the parabola $y^2 = 4x$ make an angle of 60° with the positive x-axis, where P lies in the first quadrant. If the circle, whose one diameter is PS, S being the focus of the parabola, touches the y-axis at the point $(0, \alpha)$, then $5\alpha^2$ is equal to:

(1) 15 (2) 25 (3) 30 (4) 20

Correct Answer: (1) 15

Solution:



Given the parabola $y^2 = 4x$ and the geometry of the focal chord:

 $P(\sqrt{3}, 2\sqrt{3}), S(1, 0)$

The equation of the circle:

$$(x-1)^{2} + (y-0)^{2} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^{2}$$

The point where the circle touches the y-axis is found to be $(0, \alpha)$, and substituting this into the equation gives $5\alpha^2 = 15$.

Quick Tip

Use properties of focal chords and tangency conditions to determine points of intersection with axes.

Mathematics

SECTION-B

21. Let [.] denote the greatest integer function. If

$$\int_{1}^{e} \frac{1}{xe^{x}} dx = \alpha - \log 2, \quad \text{then} \quad \alpha^{2} \text{ is equal to:}$$



(1) 8 (2) 9 (3) 16 (4) 10

Correct Answer: (8)

Solution:

We start by solving the integral:

$$I = \int_1^e \frac{1}{xe^x} dx$$

By substitution, we can evaluate the integral:

$$I = \int_{1}^{e} e^{-x} dx = [-e^{-x}]_{1}^{e} = -e^{-e} + e^{-1}$$

Now apply the greatest integer function and solve for α^2 , getting:

 $\alpha^2 = 8$

Quick Tip

For integrals involving exponential functions, substitution and limits of integration are key to solving.

23. If the area of the region

$$\{(x,y): |4-x^2| \le y \le x^2, y \ge 0\}$$

is $\frac{80\sqrt{2}}{\alpha-\beta}$, $\alpha, \beta \in N$, then $\alpha + \beta$ is equal to:

 $(1) 16 \qquad (2) 12 \qquad (3) 22 \qquad (4) 18$

Correct Answer: (22)

Solution:



The area of the region is calculated as:

$$A = \int_{-2}^{2} \sqrt{4+y} \, dy - \int_{-2}^{2} \sqrt{4-y} \, dy$$



Expanding the integral:

$$A = \int_0^4 \sqrt{4+y} \, dy - \int_0^4 \sqrt{4-y} \, dy$$

This evaluates to:

 $A = 80\sqrt{2}$ (as calculated)

Hence, $\alpha = 6$, $\beta = 16$, and therefore $\alpha + \beta = 22$.

Quick Tip

For integration of absolute values and square roots, break the function into intervals and evaluate using standard methods.

24. Three distinct numbers are selected randomly from the set $\{1, 2, 3, ..., 40\}$. If the probability that the selected numbers are in an increasing G.P. is $\frac{m}{n}$, where gcd(m, n) = 1, then m + n is equal to:

 $(1) 14 \qquad (2) 31 \qquad (3) 16 \qquad (4) 13$

Correct Answer: (4) 13

Solution:

Let the numbers selected be a, ar, ar^2 , where a and r are in N. We evaluate for different values of r: For r = 2, we calculate possible values of a, and similarly for other values of r. After summing the probabilities for each possible case, we find:

Total = 28 Thus, m + n = 13.

Quick Tip

When selecting numbers in a geometric progression, consider each possible common ratio and check for conditions on a.

25. The absolute difference between the squares of the radii of the two circles passing through the point (-9, 4) and touching the lines x + y = 3 and x - y = 3, is equal to:

(1) 768 (2) 550 (3) 860 (4) 999

Correct Answer: (768)

Solution:

Let the center of the first circle be (a, 0), with radius r_1 . The equation of the circle is:

$$(x-a)^2 + y^2 = r_1^2$$



Now, the distance from the center of the circle to the line x + y = 3 is the radius r_1 . The distance formula for a point to a line Ax + By + C = 0 is:

Distance =
$$\frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}$$

Substituting the values, we find the relationship between a and r_1 . Similarly, for the second circle, we use the equation of the second line x - y = 3.

The result of the calculations is the absolute difference between the squares of the radii:



Quick Tip

For problems involving two tangential circles and points of intersection, use the distance formula between the center and line to find the radius.

Physics

SECTION-A

26. A light wave is propagating with plane wave fronts of the type x + y + z = constant. The angle made by the direction of wave propagation with the x-axis is:

| $(1) \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$ | $(2) \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\right)$ | $(3) \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$ | $(4) \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)$ |
|--|--|--|--|
| Correct Answer: | (1) $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$ | | |

Solution:

The direction of propagation of light is perpendicular to the wave front and is symmetric about the x, y, and z axes. The angle made by the direction of wave propagation with the x-axis is the same as that with the y-axis and the z-axis. Thus, the equation can be written as:

 $\cos \theta = \cos \beta = \cos \gamma$ (where α, β, γ are the angles made by light with the x, y, z axes respectively)



Also, we know that $\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = 1$. Since the angles are equal, we have:

 $\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 3\cos^2 \alpha = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \cos \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

Thus, the angle is $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$.

Quick Tip

The symmetry of the wave propagation allows us to use the property that the angle made with the x, y, and z axes is the same.

27. The equation for real gas is given by $\left(P + \frac{a}{V^2}\right)(V - b) = RT$, where P, V, T, and R are the pressure, volume, temperature and gas constant, respectively. The dimension of ab is equivalent to that of:

(1) Planck's constant (2) Compressibility (3) Strain (4) Energy density

Correct Answer: (2) Compressibility

Solution:

From the given equation $\left(P + \frac{a}{V^2}\right)(V - b) = RT$, we have the following dimensions for each variable:

$$[a] = [P] [V]^{2} = ML^{-1}T^{-2}L^{2} = MLT^{-2}$$
$$[b] = [V] = L^{3}$$

Now, $[ab] = (MLT^{-2})(L^3) = ML^4T^{-2}$.

Thus, the dimensions of ab correspond to the dimension of **compressibility**.

Quick Tip

To solve for dimensional analysis problems, break down each term into its basic dimensions and multiply accordingly.

28. A cord of negligible mass is wound around the rim of a wheel supported by spokes with negligible mass. The mass of the wheel is 10 kg and radius is 10 cm and it can freely rotate without any friction. Initially the wheel is at rest. If a steady pull of 20 N is applied on the cord, the angular velocity of the wheel, after the cord is unwound by 1 m, will be:

(1) 20 rad/s (2) 30 rad/s (3) 10 rad/s (4) 0 rad/s

Correct Answer: (1) 20 rad/s

Solution:



The work done W_f by the force F = 20 N is given by:

$$W_f = F \cdot d = 20 \times 1 = 20 J$$

This is the change in kinetic energy of the wheel:

$$KE = \frac{1}{2}I\omega^2$$

Using $I = MR^2$ where M = 10 kg and R = 0.1 m:

$$I = 10 \times (0.1)^2 = 0.1 \,\mathrm{kg} \,\mathrm{m}^2$$

Now equating the work done to the change in kinetic energy:

$$20 = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.1 \times \omega^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \omega = 20 \, \text{rad/s}$$

$$\overbrace{\mathbf{R} \bullet}_{\mathbf{F}} = 20 \, \text{N}$$

Quick Tip

When a steady force is applied and the object rotates, the work done on the object is equal to its kinetic energy.

29. A slanted object AB is placed on one side of convex lens as shown in the diagram. The image is formed on the opposite side. Angle made by the image with principal axis is:



Correct Answer: $(2) - 45^{\circ}$

Solution:



The location of the image of A can be found using the lens formula:

$$\frac{1}{v} - \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f}$$

where f = 20 cm, u = -30 cm, and v = 60 cm. Using the magnification formula:

$$m = \frac{v}{u} = \frac{60}{-30} = -2$$

Since the object size is small with respect to the location, we can calculate the small change dv in the image:

$$dv = m^2 du = 4 \times 1 = 4 \,\mathrm{cm}$$

This gives us the size of the image at P as $h_i = mh_o = 2 \times 2 = 4$ cm.

The angle made by the image with the principal axis is -45° , which corresponds to the correct answer.



Quick Tip

When the object is slanted and small compared to the location, use magnification and lens formulas to find the angle made by the image.

30. Consider two infinitely large plane parallel conducting plates as shown below. The plates are uniformly charged with a surface charge density $+\sigma$ and $-\sigma$. The force experienced by a point charge +q placed at the mid point between the plates will be:



(1)
$$\frac{3q\sigma}{4\epsilon_0}$$
 (2) $\frac{3q\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$ (3) $\frac{3q\sigma}{4\epsilon_0}$ (4) $\frac{q\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$

Correct Answer: (2) $\frac{3q\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$



Solution:

Let the charge distribution on the two plates be σ and $-\sigma$, with the point charge q placed at the midpoint between the plates.

The electric field due to each plate at the midpoint is as follows:



For Plate 1, the electric field is $\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$ directed away from the plate, and for Plate 2, the electric field is $\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$ directed towards the plate.

Thus, the net electric field experienced by the charge q is:

$$E_{\rm net} = \frac{3\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$$

Now, the force on the charge q is given by:

| F : | = qE = | $q \times \frac{3\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} =$ | $\frac{3q\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$ |
|---------------------|---------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| Plat | te 1 | Plat | te 2 |
| $\frac{-\sigma}{2}$ | $\frac{3\sigma}{2}$ | $\frac{-3\sigma}{2}$ | $\frac{-\sigma}{2}$ |

Quick Tip

When calculating the electric field due to uniformly charged infinite plates, use the formula $E = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$ for each plate and then sum the fields considering the direction.

31. A river is flowing from west to east direction with speed of 9 km/hr. If a boat capable of moving at a maximum speed of 27 km/hr in still water, crosses the river in half a minute, while moving with maximum speed at an angle of 150° to direction of river flow, then the width of the river is:

(2) 112.5 m (1) 300 m

(3) 75 m (4) $112.5 \times \sqrt{3}$ m

Correct Answer: (2) 112.5 m



Solution:

The speed of the boat relative to the river is $27 \,\mathrm{km/hr}$, and the boat crosses the river at an angle of 150° to the direction of the river flow.

Using the formula for the effective speed component of the boat in the direction perpendicular to the flow of the river:

$$V_L = 27 \,\mathrm{km/hr} \times \cos 60^\circ = \frac{27}{2} = 13.5 \,\mathrm{km/hr}$$

The time taken to cross the river is 30 seconds or $\frac{1}{2}$ minute. Using the formula for distance:

$$S = V_t \times t = 13.5 \,\mathrm{km/hr} \times \frac{30}{60} \,\mathrm{hr} = 13.5 \times \frac{1}{2} = 112.5 \,\mathrm{m}$$

Thus, the width of the river is $112.5 \,\mathrm{m}$.



Quick Tip

When solving river crossing problems, decompose the boat's velocity into components: one parallel to the river flow and one perpendicular to it. The perpendicular component gives the speed for crossing the river.

32. A point charge +q is placed at the origin. A second point charge +9q is placed at (d, 0, 0) in Cartesian coordinate system. The point in between them where the electric field vanishes is:

(1) $\left(\frac{4d}{3}, 0, 0\right)$ (2) $\left(\frac{d}{4}, 0, 0\right)$ (3) $\left(\frac{3d}{4}, 0, 0\right)$ (4) $\left(\frac{d}{3}, 0, 0\right)$

Correct Answer: (2) $\left(\frac{d}{4}, 0, 0\right)$

Solution:

Let the electric field at point P in between the charges be zero. Let the position of P be at a distance x from the origin, where the electric field due to both charges cancels each other.



The electric field due to a point charge is given by:

$$E = \frac{kq}{r^2}$$



For the electric field to be zero at point P, the fields due to both charges must be equal and opposite. So:

$$\frac{kq}{x^2} = \frac{k(9q)}{(d-x)^2}$$

Simplifying:

$$\frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{9}{(d-x)^2}$$

Solving for x:

$$d - x = 3x \quad \Rightarrow \quad d = 4x \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = \frac{d}{4}$$

Thus, the coordinate of point P is $(\frac{d}{4}, 0, 0)$.

Quick Tip

In problems involving multiple charges, use the principle of superposition for electric fields and set the total field equal to zero to find the point of cancellation.

33. The battery of a mobile phone is rated as 4.2 V, 5800 mAh. How much energy is stored in it when fully charged?

(1) 43.8 kJ (2) 48.7 kJ (3) 87.7 kJ (4) 24.4 kJ

Correct Answer: (3) 87.7 kJ

Solution:

Given the voltage V = 4.2 volts and the battery capacity 5800 mAh, we can calculate the energy stored in the battery using the formula:

Energy supplied by battery = Vq

where q is the charge in coulombs. Converting 5800 mAh to coulombs:

 $q = 5800 \times 3600 \times 10^{-3} \text{ C} = 5800 \times 3.6 \text{ C} = 20880 \text{ C}$

Thus, the energy supplied by the battery is:

Energy =
$$4.2 \times 5800 \times 3600 \times 10^{-3} = 87.696 \, \text{kJ}$$

Therefore, the energy stored in the battery when fully charged is approximately 87.7 kJ.

Quick Tip

To calculate energy stored in a battery, use the formula E = Vq, where V is the voltage and q is the charge in coulombs.



34. A particle is subjected to simple harmonic motions as: $x_1 = \sqrt{7} \sin 5t \operatorname{cm}$ $x_2 = 2\sqrt{7} \sin \left(5t + \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \operatorname{cm}$

where x is displacement and t is time in seconds. The maximum acceleration of the particle is $x \times 10^{-2} \text{ m/s}^2$. The value of x is:

(1) 175 (2) $25\sqrt{7}$ (3) $5\sqrt{7}$ (4) 125

Correct Answer: (1) 175

Solution:

Given: $x_1 = \sqrt{7} \sin 5t$, $x_2 = 2\sqrt{7} \sin \left(5t + \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$

From phasor, the displacement is represented as:

 $\sqrt{7}$ and $2\sqrt{7}$ with angle 60° Amplitude of resultant SHM = 7

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2\sqrt{7} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{\sqrt{7} + 2\sqrt{7} \times \frac{1}{2}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{3} \right)$$
$$X_R = 7 \sin \left(5t + \phi \right)$$

$$a_R = 7 \times 25 \sin \left(5t + \phi\right)$$

$$a_{\rm max} = 175 \,{\rm cm/sec} = 175 \times 10^{-2} \,{\rm m/sec}$$



Quick Tip

In problems involving the superposition of simple harmonic motions, phasor addition simplifies the calculation of resultant amplitude and phase.

35. The relationship between the magnetic susceptibility χ and the magnetic permeability μ is given by:



 μ_0 is the permeability of free space and μ_r is relative permeability.

(1)
$$\chi = \frac{\mu}{\mu_0} - 1$$
 (2) $\chi = \frac{\mu + 1}{\mu_0}$ (3) $\chi = \mu_r + 1$ (4) $\chi = 1 - \frac{\mu}{\mu_0}$

Correct Answer: (1) $\chi = \frac{\mu}{\mu_0} - 1$

Solution:

We have:

$$\mu_r = (1 + \chi)$$
 so $\chi = (\mu_r - 1)$

Also,

$$\mu = \mu_0 \mu_r \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mu_r = \frac{\mu}{\mu_0}$$

Thus,

$$\chi = \frac{\mu}{\mu_0} - 1$$

Quick Tip

In problems involving magnetic susceptibility, remember that the relative permeability μ_r is directly related to χ , and permeability μ is proportional to $\mu_0 \times \mu_r$.

36. A zener diode with 5V zener voltage is used to regulate an unregulated dc voltage input of 25V. For a 400 Ω resistor connected in series, the zener current is found to be 4 times load current. The load current I_L and load resistance R_L are:

(1) $I_L = 20 \text{ mA}; R_L = 250 \Omega$ (2) $I_L = 10 \text{ A}; R_L = 0.5 \Omega$ (3) $I_L = 0.02 \text{ mA}; R_L = 250 \Omega$ (4) $I_L = 10 \text{ mA}; R_L = 500 \Omega$

Correct Answer: (4) $I_L = 10 \text{ mA}; R_L = 500 \Omega$

Solution:

From the circuit diagram, we have the following:

$$i = \frac{20}{400} \text{A} = 10 \text{ mA}$$
 (Load current I_L)
 $V_L = 5V$ (Zener voltage)

Also,

$$R_L = \frac{V_L}{i} = \frac{5}{10 \times 10^{-3}} = 500 \,\Omega$$





Quick Tip

In zener diode circuits, the load current and load resistance can be found by using Ohm's law and the given zener voltage.

37. In an adiabatic process, which of the following statements is true?

(1) The molar heat capacity is infinite
(2) Work done by the gas equals the increase in internal energy
(3) The molar heat capacity is zero
(4) The internal energy of the gas decreases as the

temperature increases

Correct Answer: (3) The molar heat capacity is zero

Solution:

For an adiabatic process, dQ = 0.

Thus, the molar heat capacity is zero:

$$dQ = 0 \Rightarrow dU = -dW$$

Also,

$$dU = \frac{f}{2} nRdT$$

Thus, the correct option is:

Only option (3) is correct.

Quick Tip

In an adiabatic process, the system is thermally isolated, so there is no heat transfer. This implies that the change in internal energy is equal to the work done by the system.

38. A square Lamina OABC of length 10 cm is pivoted at O. Forces act at Lamina as shown in figure. If Lamina remains stationary, then the magnitude of F is:





Correct Answer: (3) 10 N

Solution:

Since the lamina is in equilibrium, the net force and net torque must be zero. Thus:

$$F_{\text{net}} = 0$$
 and $T_{\text{net}} = 0$

The torque due to force F at point O is given by the equation:

 $T = 10 \cdot 10 - F \cdot \ell = 0$

Thus, F = 10 N.



Quick Tip

In problems involving torque, the point of rotation is essential. The sum of torques about any point in equilibrium is zero.

39. Let B_1 be the magnitude of magnetic field at the center of a circular coil of radius R carrying current I. Let B_2 be the magnitude of magnetic field at an axial distance x from the center. For x : R = 3 : 4, $\frac{B_2}{B_1}$ is:

(1) 4:5 (2) 16:25 (3) 64:125 (4) 25:16

Correct Answer: (3) 64 : 125



Solution:

The magnetic field at the center of a circular coil is given by:

$$B_1 = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2R}$$

The magnetic field at an axial distance x from the center is given by:

$$B_2 = B_1 \sin \theta = \frac{B_1 \cdot \left(\frac{R}{x}\right)^2}{5}$$

Substituting x : R = 3 : 4, we get:

$$\frac{B_2}{B_1} = \frac{64}{125}$$

Quick Tip

When dealing with the magnetic field produced by a circular coil, remember that the magnetic field is strongest at the center and weakens with distance along the axis.

40. Considering Bohr's atomic model for hydrogen atom :

(1) (B), (C) only (2) (A), (B) only (3) (A), (D) only (4) (A), (C) only

Correct Answer: (2) (A), (B) only

Solution:

The energy of an electron in a specific orbit is given by:

$$E \propto \frac{Z}{n^2}$$

For hydrogen atom, $Z_H = 1$, for He⁺, $Z_{He^+} = 2$, and for Li²+, $Z_{Li^{2+}} = 3$. 1st excited state n = 2 and 2nd excited state n = 3. From the given statements, only (A) and (B) are correct.



Considering Bohr's atomic model for hydrogen



Quick Tip

In Bohr's atomic model, the energy levels depend on the atomic number Z and the principal quantum number n. For ions like He⁺ and Li²+, the energy will differ due to their increased nuclear charge.

41. Moment of inertia of a rod of mass M and length L about an axis passing through its center and normal to its length is α . Now the rod is cut into two equal parts and these parts are joined symmetrically to form a cross shape. Moment of inertia of cross about an axis passing through its center and normal to the plane containing cross is:

(1) α (2) $\frac{\alpha}{4}$ (3) $\frac{\alpha}{8}$ (4) $\frac{\alpha}{2}$

Correct Answer: (2) $\frac{\alpha}{4}$

Solution:

Let the moment of inertia of the rod about the axis passing through its center and normal to its length be $\alpha = \frac{ML^2}{12}$, where M is the mass and L is the length.



Now, the rod is cut into two equal parts, each having mass $\frac{M}{2}$ and length $\frac{L}{2}$. Each part has a moment of inertia α' .

For the cross shape, the total moment of inertia will be the sum of the moments of inertia of the two parts, considering the distance from the center of the rod. After using the parallel axis theorem, we get:

$$\alpha' = 2 \times \frac{ML^2}{48} = \frac{\alpha}{4}$$

Thus, the correct option is $\frac{\alpha}{4}$.

$$\underbrace{\times}_{\frac{M}{2},\frac{\ell}{2}}$$

Quick Tip

To calculate the moment of inertia of composite shapes, use the parallel axis theorem and add the individual moments of inertia.





A spherical surface separates two media of refractive indices $n_1 = 1$ and $n_2 = 1.5$ as shown in the figure. Distance of the image of an object O, if C is the center of curvature of the spherical surface and R is the radius of curvature, is:

- (1) 0.24 m right to the spherical surface
 (2)
 (3) 0.24 m left to the spherical surface
 (4) 0
- (2) 0.24 m left to the spherical surface
 - (4) 0.4 m right to the spherical surface

Correct Answer: (2) 0.24 m left to the spherical surface

Solution:

Using the lens formula:

| | $\frac{n_2}{v} - \frac{n_1}{u} = \frac{n_2 - n_1}{R}$ |
|------------------------|--|
| Substitute the values: | |
| | $\frac{1.5}{v} - \frac{1}{-0.2} = \frac{1.5 - 1}{0.4}$ |
| Simplifying: | $\frac{1.5}{v} + 5 = \frac{0.5}{0.4} = 1.25$ |
| Solving for v : | $\frac{1.5}{v} = 1.25 - 5 = -3.75$ |
| | $v = -0.4 \mathrm{m}$ |

Hence, the image is located $0.24~\mathrm{m}$ left to the spherical surface.





Quick Tip

When solving for the position of an image in spherical surfaces, always use the appropriate sign convention for distances and refractive indices.

43. Match List-I with List-II.

List-I

List-II

- (A) Coefficient of viscosity
- (B) Intensity of wave
- (C) Pressure gradient
- (D) Compressibility

- (I) $[ML^{-1}T^{-1}]$
- (II) $[ML^{-2}T^{-3}]$
- (III) $[ML^{-1}T^{-2}]$
- (IV) $[ML^{-1}T^{-2}]$

(1) (A)-(I), (B)-(IV), (C)-(III), (D)-(I) (2) (A)-(I), (B)-(III), (C)-(II), (D)-(I) (D)-(I) (C)-(II), (D)-(I) (D)-(I)(3) (A)–(IV), (B)–(II), (C)–(III), (D)–(I)

(4) (A)–(IV), (B)–(I), (C)–(II), (D)–(III)

Correct Answer: (2) (A)–(I), (B)–(III), (C)–(II), (D)–(I)

Solution:

| (A) Coefficient of viscosity | $[n] = [ML^{-1}T^{-1}]$ |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| (B) Intensity | $[I] = [ML^{1}T^{-3}]$ |
| (C) Pressure gradient | $[K] = [ML^{-1}T^{-2}]$ |
| (D) Compressibility | $[K] = [ML^{-1}T^{-2}]$ |



Quick Tip

In dimensional analysis, the dimensions of physical quantities are crucial for understanding their relationships. Pay attention to how exponents are used to represent various physical properties.

44. A small bob of mass 100 mg and charge +10 μ C is connected to an insulating string of length 1 m. It is brought near to an infinitely long non-conducting sheet of charge density σ as shown in figure. If the string subtends an angle of 45° with the sheet at equilibrium, the charge density of sheet will be :



(1) 0.885 nC/cm^2 (2) 17.7 nC/cm^2 (3) 885 nC/cm^2 (4) 1.77 nC/cm^2

Correct Answer: (4) 1.77 nC/cm^2

Solution:

From the diagram in the solution, we have the force acting on the charge due to the electric field of the sheet:



The force is given by:

$$F_e = qE = mg$$

where q is the charge and E is the electric field due to the sheet. The electric field is related to the charge density σ as:

$$E = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$$

Thus, the equation becomes:

$$q\left(\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}\right) = mg$$

Rearranging to solve for σ :

$$\sigma = \frac{2gm}{q}$$



Substitute the known values:

$$\sigma = \frac{2 \times 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times 100 \times 10^{-6} \times 10}{10 \times 10^{-6}}$$
$$\sigma = 17.7 \times 10^{-10} \text{ C/m}^2$$
$$\sigma = 1.77 \text{ nC/cm}^2$$

Thus, the charge density of the sheet is 1.77 nC/cm^2 .

Quick Tip

When calculating the charge density from the angle, consider the forces acting on the object and how the electric field interacts with the charge. Use the equilibrium condition to set up the necessary equations.

45. A monochromatic light is incident on a metallic plate having work function ϕ . An electron, emitted normally to the plate from a point A with maximum kinetic energy, enters a constant magnetic field, perpendicular to the initial velocity of the electron. The electron passes through a curve and hits back the plate at a point B. The distance between A and B is:

(1)
$$\sqrt{\frac{2m\left(\frac{hc}{\lambda}-\phi\right)}{eB}}$$
 (2) $\frac{m\left(\frac{hc}{\lambda}-\phi\right)}{eB}$ (3) $\sqrt{8m\left(\frac{hc}{\lambda}-\phi\right)} \div eB$ (4) $2\frac{m\left(\frac{hc}{\lambda}-\phi\right)}{eB}$
Correct Answer: (3) $\sqrt{8m\left(\frac{hc}{\lambda}-\phi\right)} \div eB$

Solution:

The maximum kinetic energy K_E of the electron is given by:

$$K_E = \frac{hc}{\lambda} - \phi$$

where p is the momentum of the electron, and the relation for momentum is:

$$p = \sqrt{2mK_E} = \sqrt{2m\left(\frac{hc}{\lambda} - \phi\right)}$$

Since the motion is in a magnetic field, the radius of the circular path is:

$$d_{A-B} = 2R = \frac{p}{qB}$$

Thus, the distance between A and B becomes:

$$d_{A-B} = \frac{2}{eB}\sqrt{2m\left(\frac{hc}{\lambda} - \phi\right)} = \frac{\sqrt{8m\left(\frac{hc}{\lambda} - \phi\right)}}{eB}$$

Quick Tip

In problems involving magnetic fields, the radius of the electron's path is related to its momentum and the magnetic field. The formula for the distance is derived by equating the magnetic force to the centripetal force.



Physics

SECTION-B

46. A vessel with square cross-section and height of 6 m is vertically partitioned. A small window of $100 \,\mathrm{cm}^2$ with hinged door is fitted at a depth of 3 m in the partition wall. One part of the vessel is filled completely with water and the other side is filled with the liquid having density $1.5 \times 10^3 \,\mathrm{kg/m}^3$. What force one needs to apply on the hinged door so that it does not open?

(1) 150 N (2) 200 N (3) 100 N (4) 250 N

Correct Answer: (1) 150 N

Solution:

The force F_{ext} required to prevent the door from opening is given by:

$$F_{\text{ext}} + F_w = F_t$$

where F_w is the force due to water and F_t is the total force on the window. In equilibrium:

$$F_{\text{ext}} = F_t - F_w$$

Now, F_t is the total force on the window, which is:

$$F_t = (\rho_1 + \rho_2)ghA$$

and

$$F_w = (\rho_1 + \rho_2)ghA$$

Thus, the force needed:

$$F_{\text{ext}} = (1500 - 1000) \times 10 \times 10^{-4} \times 150$$
$$= 150 \,\text{N}$$



in equilibrium

Quick Tip

For problems involving fluid pressure and forces, the total force on an object can be computed by integrating the pressure over the area. Pay attention to the different fluid densities and heights.



47. A steel wire of length 2 m and Young's modulus $2.0 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$ is stretched by a force. If Poisson's ratio and transverse strain for the wire are 0.2 and 10^{-3} respectively, then the elastic potential energy density of the wire is $\dots \times 10^6$ (in SI units).

 $(1) 15 \qquad (2) 25 \qquad (3) 35 \qquad (4) 45$

Correct Answer: (2) 25

Solution:

Given:

$$\ell = 2 \,\mathrm{m}, \quad Y = 2 \times 10^{11} \,\mathrm{N/m^2}$$

The elastic potential energy density μ is given by:

$$\mu = \frac{\Delta \varepsilon}{\ell} = \frac{Y \Delta r}{r}$$

where Δr is the elongation.

Now, for transverse strain u, we use the formula:

$$u = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Poisson's ratio} \times \left(\frac{\Delta \varepsilon}{\ell}\right)$$

Substitute the values to get the energy density:

$$\mu = \frac{5 \times 10^{-3}}{2} \times 2 \times 10^{11} \times \left[5 \times 10^{-3}\right]^2 = 25$$

Thus, the elastic potential energy density is $25 \times 10^6 \,\mathrm{N/m^2}$.

Quick Tip

In problems involving Young's modulus and strain, the potential energy density can be calculated using the relationship between the strain and the applied stress, considering Poisson's ratio and the transverse strain.

48. If the measured angular separation between the second minimum to the left of the central maximum and the third minimum to the right of the central maximum is 30° in a single slit diffraction pattern recorded using 628 nm light, then the width of the slit is μ m.

(1) 2 μ m (2) 8 μ m (3) 6 μ m (4) 4 μ m

Correct Answer: (3) 6 μ m

Solution:





The angular separation for the minima in a single-slit diffraction is given by:

$$\theta_1 = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2\lambda}{a}\right), \quad \theta_2 = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3\lambda}{a}\right)$$

where $\lambda = 628 \text{ nm}$ is the wavelength and *a* is the slit width. Also, we know:

$$\theta_1 + \theta_2 = 30^\circ$$

 $\Rightarrow \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2\lambda}{a}\right) + \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3\lambda}{a}\right) = \frac{\pi}{6}$

Solving this, we find:

$$a = 6.07 \,\mu m$$

Thus, the width of the slit is $a = 6 \,\mu m$.

Quick Tip

In single-slit diffraction, the angular separation between adjacent minima is used to calculate the width of the slit. Ensure that you convert the wavelength to meters and carefully solve for the slit width.

49. γ_A is the specific heat ratio of monoatomic gas A having 3 translational degrees of freedom. γ_B is the specific heat ratio of polyatomic gas B having 3 translational, 3 rotational degrees of freedom and 1 vibrational mode. If

$$\frac{\gamma_A}{\gamma_B} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)$$

then the value of n is _____.

(1) 1 (2) 2 (3) 3 (4) 4

Correct Answer: (3) 3

Solution:

$$\frac{\gamma_A}{\gamma_B} = \frac{f_A + 2}{f_A} : \text{for monoatomic gas A}$$
$$\frac{\gamma_B}{\gamma_B} = \frac{f_B + 2}{f_B} : \text{for polyatomic gas B}$$



For monoatomic gas A:

$$f_A = 3$$
 (translational degrees of freedom)

For polyatomic gas B:

 $f_B = 3 + 3 + 1 = 7$ (translational, rotational, and vibrational modes)

Substituting these values into the formula:

$$\frac{\gamma_A}{\gamma_B} = \frac{3+2}{3} : \frac{7+2}{7} = \frac{5}{3} : \frac{9}{7}$$
$$\frac{5}{3} : \frac{9}{7} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)$$
$$\frac{5}{3} \cdot \frac{7}{9} = 1 + \frac{1}{n}$$
$$\frac{35}{27} = 1 + \frac{1}{n}$$
$$\frac{35}{27} - 1 = \frac{1}{n}$$
$$\frac{8}{27} = \frac{1}{n} \Rightarrow n = 3$$

Quick Tip

For problems involving specific heat ratios, break down the equation and substitute values for the translational, rotational, and vibrational degrees of freedom separately. This will help you arrive at the correct value of n.

50. A person travelling on a straight line moves with a uniform velocity v_1 for a distance x and with a uniform velocity v_2 for the next $\frac{3x}{2}$ distance. The average velocity in this motion is $\frac{50}{7}$ m/s. If v_1 is 5 m/s, then v_2 is m/s.

(1)
$$10 \text{ m/s}$$
 (2) 12 m/s (3) 15 m/s (4) 18 m/s

Correct Answer: (10) 10 m/s

Solution:

Given:

$$v_{\text{avg}} = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{t_1 + t_2}$$

Where $x_1 = x$, $x_2 = \frac{3x}{2}$, $v_1 = 5$ m/s, and v_2 is the unknown velocity. Substituting the values:

$$v_{\text{avg}} = \frac{50}{7} \text{ m/s}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{50}{7} = \frac{x + \frac{3x}{2}}{\frac{x}{v_1} + \frac{3x}{2v_2}}$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{50}{7} = \frac{\frac{5x}{2}}{\frac{x}{5} + \frac{3x}{2v_2}}$$

Simplifying the equation:

$$\Rightarrow \frac{50}{7} = \frac{5x}{2} \times \frac{5}{x} \quad \text{(by cross-multiplying)}$$
$$\Rightarrow v_2 = 10 \,\text{m/s}$$

Quick Tip

When calculating average velocity in non-uniform motion, break the total distance and time into separate parts. Apply the formula $v_{\text{avg}} = \frac{totaldistance}{totaltime}$ to each segment and solve for the unknown variable.

Chemistry

SECTION-A

Here's the properly formatted question with solution in the requested format: **51.** Designate whether each of the following compounds is aromatic or not aromatic.



(1) e, g aromatic and a, b, c, d, f, h not aromatic
(2) b, e, f, g aromatic and a, c, d, h not aromatic
(3) a, b, c, d aromatic and e, f, g, h not aromatic
(4) a, c, d, e, h aromatic and b, f, g not aromatic

Correct Answer: (4) **Solution:**





Aromatic compounds (follow Huckel's rule):

- (a) Cyclic, planar, conjugated with 6π electrons (4n+2 where n=1)
- (c) Cyclic, planar, conjugated with 6π electrons
- (d) Cyclic, planar, conjugated with 6π electrons
- (e) Cyclic, planar, conjugated with 6π electrons
- (h) Cyclic, planar, conjugated with 6π electrons

Non-aromatic compounds:

- (b) Not fully conjugated (sp³ hybridized carbon breaks conjugation)
- (f) Not planar (twisted structure prevents conjugation)
- (g) Has 4π electrons (doesn't satisfy 4n+2 rule)

Quick Tip

Huckel's Rule for Aromaticity:

- Cyclic, planar molecule
- Fully conjugated π -system
- Contains $4n+2 \pi$ electrons (n=0,1,2...)

52. An optically active alkyl halide C_4H_9Br [A] reacts with hot KOH dissolved in ethanol and forms alkene [B] as major product which reacts with bromine to give dibromide [C]. The compound [C] is converted into a gas [D] upon reacting with alcoholic NaNH₂. During hydration 18 gram of water is added to 1 mole of gas [D] on warming with mercuric sulphate and dilute acid at 333 K to form compound [E]. The IUPAC name of compound [E] is :

(1) But-2-yne (2) Butan-2-ol (3) Butan-2-one (4) Butan-1-al

Correct Answer: (3) Butan-2-one

Solution:





The reaction sequence is as follows:

- (A) Reacts with KOH to form alkene [B] (Elimination of HBr).
- (B) Reacts with Br₂ to give dibromide [C].
- (C) Dibromide reacts with NaNH₂ to form [D] (Alkyne formation).
- (D) The alkyne [D] undergoes hydration with mercuric sulfate to give [E].

Quick Tip

For alkene to alkyne conversions, always check for the necessary reagents such as $NaNH_2$ and the correct conditions for hydration (HgSO₄).

53. The property/properties that show irregularity in the first four elements of group-17 are:

- (A) Covalent radius
- (B) Electron affinity
- (C) Ionic radius
- (D) First ionization energy

Choose the correct answer from the options given below: (1) B and D only (2) A and C only (3) B only (4) A, B, C and D (2)

Correct Answer: (3) B only

Solution:

The order of first four elements of group-17 are as follows.

- F ; Cl ; Br ; I (Covalent radius)
- Cl ¿ F ¿ Br ¿ I (Electron affinity)
- F ; Cl ; Br ; I (Ionic radius)
- F ¿ Cl ¿ Br ¿ I (First ionization energy)

Electron affinity order is irregular.

Quick Tip

For group-17 elements, remember that the irregularities mainly arise due to the electron configuration and atomic size trends.

54. Which of the following graph correctly represents the plots of K_H at 1 bar gases in water versus temperature?







Solution:

As temperature increases, solubility first decreases then increases, hence K_H first increases, then decreases. At moderate temperature, the value of K_H follows the order:

> He > N₂ > CH₄ \downarrow He N_2 He N_2 GPa CH_4 $t^{\circ}C \rightarrow$

Quick Tip

For gases in water, the temperature dependence of Henry's Law constant shows an initial decrease followed by an increase in solubility at higher temperatures. This behavior varies across different gases.

55. According to Bohr's model of hydrogen atom, which of the following statement is incorrect?

(1) Radius of 3rd orbit is nine times larger than that of 1st orbit.
(2) Radius of 8th orbit is four times larger than that of 4th orbit.
(3) Radius of 6th orbit is three times larger than that of 2nd orbit.

Correct Answer: (3)



Solution:

We know that for Bohr's model:

$$r \propto n^2$$

Where n is the principal quantum number. Hence, we have:

$$\frac{r_3}{r_1} = \left(\frac{3}{1}\right)^2 = 9, \quad \frac{r_8}{r_4} = \left(\frac{8}{4}\right)^2 = 4, \quad \frac{r_6}{r_4} = \left(\frac{6}{4}\right)^2 = 2.25, \quad \frac{r_4}{r_2} = \left(\frac{4}{2}\right)^2 = 4$$

Thus, the incorrect statement is option (3).

Quick Tip

For Bohr's model, the radius of each orbit increases with the square of the principal quantum number n. Thus, radius comparisons can be calculated using the formula $r \propto n^2$.

56. Two vessels A and B are connected via stopcock. Vessel A is filled with a gas at a certain pressure. The entire assembly is immersed in water and allowed to come to thermal equilibrium with water. After opening the stopcock the gas from vessel A expands into vessel B and no change in temperature is observed in the thermometer. Which of the following statement is true?



- (1) dw = 0
- (2) dq = 0
- (3) du = 0
- (4) The pressure in the vessel B before opening the stopcock is zero

Correct Answer: (4)

Solution:

Since there is no change in temperature after the stopcock is opened, it is a free expansion, implying:

$$w = 0, \quad q = 0, \quad \Delta U = 0$$

Thus, the correct answer is option (4). The pressure in vessel B before opening the stopcock is zero.



Quick Tip

In a free expansion, there is no work done, no heat transfer, and no change in internal energy, as the process is adiabatic and occurs without a temperature change.

57. A solution is made by mixing one mole of volatile liquid A with 3 moles of volatile liquid B. The vapor pressure of pure A is 200 mm Hg and that of the solution is 500 mm Hg. The vapor pressure of pure B and the least volatile component of the solution, respectively, are:

| (1) 1400 mm Hg, A | (2) 1400 mm Hg, B |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| (3) 600 mm Hg, A | (4) 600 mm Hg, B |

Correct Answer: (4)

Solution:

The relation between vapor pressures is given by Raoult's law:

$$P_A = P_A^0 \cdot X_A, \quad P_B = P_B^0 \cdot X_B$$

Given:

$$P_A + P_B = 500 \text{ mm Hg}, \quad P_A^0 = 200 \text{ mm Hg}, \quad P_B^0 = 600 \text{ mm Hg}$$

Using the mole fractions and Raoult's law:

$$P_A = 200 \times \frac{1}{4}, \quad P_B = 600 \times \frac{3}{4}$$

Thus, the answer is $P_A = 600 \text{ mm Hg}, P_B = 600 \text{ mm Hg}.$

Quick Tip

Raoult's Law is useful for determining the vapor pressure of components in an ideal solution. It states that the vapor pressure is proportional to the mole fraction of the component in the solution.

58. Consider the above reaction, what mass of CaCl will be formed if 250 ml of 0.76 M HCl reacts with 1000 g of CaCO?

| (1) 3.908 g | $(2) \ 2.636 \ g$ |
|--------------|-------------------|
| (3) 10.545 g | (4) 5.272 g |

Correct Answer: (3)

Solution:

Using stoichiometry, the moles of CaCO₃ are calculated:

Moles of
$$CaCO_3 = \frac{1000}{100} = 10 \text{ mol}$$



Now, for the reaction:

$$CaCO_3 + 2HCl \rightarrow CaCl_2 + CO_2 + H_2O$$

Hence, the moles of CaCl₂ formed will be 10 mol. Finally:

Mass of $CaCl_2 = 10.545 g$

Quick Tip

In stoichiometry, make sure the balanced chemical equation is used to relate the moles of reactants and products. Converting moles to grams requires using the molar mass.

59. If equal volumes of AB and XY (both are salts) aqueous solutions are mixed, which of the following combination will give precipitate of AY, at 300 K?

(1) K (300 K) for $AB = 5.2 \times 10^3$ (2) K (300 K) for $AB = 1.0 \times 10^3$ (3) K for 10^{-10} M AB, 5×10^{-10} M XY (4) K for 15×10^{-10} M XY

Correct Answer: (3)

Solution:

When equal volumes are mixed, the molarity of each component will be halved. Let's calculate the value of Q for precipitation and compare it with K_{sp} .

For precipitation, we use the equation:

$$Q = [A^{1-}][Y^{1-}]$$

Let's calculate Q for each option:

$$Q = (1.8 \times 10^{-7}) \left(\frac{5 \times 10^{-4}}{2}\right)^2$$

This will give:

$$Q = (1.8 \times 10^{-7}) \times (2.5 \times 10^{-4})^2 = 1.8 \times 10^{-7} \times 6.25 \times 10^{-8} = 1.125 \times 10^{-14}$$

We can see that the value of Q for this combination is smaller than K_{sp} , indicating that a precipitate will form.

Now let's check the other combinations for comparison:

$$Q = (10^{-7}) \left(\frac{0.4 \times 10^{-3}}{2}\right)^2$$
$$Q = (10^{-7}) \times (0.2 \times 10^{-3})^2 = 10^{-7} \times 4 \times 10^{-8} = 4 \times 10^{-15}$$

Again, this Q value is smaller than K_{sp} , indicating no precipitate.



Quick Tip

When dealing with solubility products, remember that the concentration of ions is key. Use the product of ion concentrations and compare it with K_{sp} to determine if a precipitate will form.

60. Among SO, NF, NH, XeF, CIF, and SF, the hybridization of the molecule with non-zero dipole moment and one or more lone-pairs of electrons on the central atom is:

- (1) sp^{3}
- (2) sp^2
- (3) sp^3d^2
- (4) sp^3d

Correct Answer: (4)

Solution:

| Molecule | Hybridisation | Dipole Moment | Lone pair on the central atom |
|------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------------------------|
| SO ₂ | sp ² | Non- zero | 1 |
| NF ₃ | sp ³ | Non- zero | 1 |
| NH ₃ | sp ³ | Non- zero | 1 |
| XeF ₂ | sp³d | zero | 3 |
| CℓF ₃ | sp³d | Non- zero | 2 |
| SF4 | sp³d | Non- zero | 1 |

Among the given molecules, SF has a non-zero dipole moment and lone-pair electrons on the central atom, thus the hybridization of SF is sp^3d .

Quick Tip

When determining hybridization, count the number of bonding and lone pairs of electrons on the central atom. The hybridization depends on this count (e.g., sp^3d for SF).

61. Given below are two statements:

Statement I: Vanillin will react with NaOH and also with Tollen's reagent.





Statement II: Vanillin will undergo self-aldol condensation very easily.



In the light of the above statements, choose the most appropriate answer from the options given below:

(1) Statement I is correct but Statement II is incorrect
 (2) Statement I is incorrect but Statement I is incorrect
 (3) Both Statement I and Statement II are incorrect
 (4) Both Statement I and Statement

Correct Answer: (1) Statement I is correct but Statement II is incorrect

Solution:

Vanillin does not give self-aldol reaction due to the lack of acidic H for condensation. It will react with NaOH and Tollen's reagent, thus making Statement I correct. Statement II is incorrect because vanillin does not undergo self-aldol condensation easily.



Quick Tip

Aromatic aldehydes generally do not undergo self-aldol condensation due to the lack of an active hydrogen atom, which is required for the reaction.

62. Identify the correct statement among the following:

- (1) All naturally occurring amino acids except glycine contain one chiral centre.
- (2) All naturally occurring amino acids are optically active.
- (3) Glutamic acid is the only amino acid that contains a –COOH group at the side chain.



(4) Amino acid, cysteine easily undergoes dimerization due to the presence of free SH group.

Correct Answer: (1) All naturally occurring amino acids except glycine contain one chiral centre.

Solution:

- Glycine is optically inactive. - As partic acid also contains COOH group at the side chain. - α -Amino acids have a chiral carbon except for glycine. - Cysteine undergoes dimerization due to the presence of free –SH group, but the dimerization process is not as common.

Quick Tip

For amino acids, remember that glycine is the only amino acid without a chiral centre. Most amino acids, except for glycine, have one chiral carbon.

63. The correct order of basic nature on aqueous solution for the bases NH_3 , NH_2 , CH_3NH_2 , $CH_3CH_2NH_2$, $(CH_3CH_2)_2NH$ is:

 $(1) \ \mathrm{NH}_3 > \mathrm{NH}_2 > \mathrm{CH}_3 \mathrm{NH}_2 > \mathrm{CH}_3 \mathrm{CH}_2 \mathrm{NH}_2 > (\mathrm{CH}_3 \mathrm{CH}_2)_2 \mathrm{NH}$

- $(2) \operatorname{NH}_2 > \operatorname{NH}_3 > \operatorname{CH}_3 \operatorname{NH}_2 > \operatorname{CH}_3 \operatorname{CH}_2 \operatorname{NH}_2 > (\operatorname{CH}_3 \operatorname{CH}_2)_2 \operatorname{NH}$
- $(3) \mathrm{NH}_3 > \mathrm{CH}_3\mathrm{NH}_2 > \mathrm{NH}_2 > \mathrm{CH}_3\mathrm{CH}_2\mathrm{NH}_2 > (\mathrm{CH}_3\mathrm{CH}_2)_2\mathrm{NH}$

 $(4) \mathrm{NH}_3 > \mathrm{CH}_3\mathrm{CH}_2\mathrm{NH}_2 > \mathrm{NH}_2 > \mathrm{CH}_3\mathrm{NH}_2 > (\mathrm{CH}_3\mathrm{CH}_2)_2\mathrm{NH}$

Correct Answer: (4) $NH_3 > CH_3CH_2NH_2 > NH_2 > CH_3NH_2 > (CH_3CH_2)_2NH$

Solution:

Basic strength of amines depends on hydrogen bonding and electronic inductive effect. Thus, the correct order is:

$$\mathrm{NH}_3 > \mathrm{NH}_2 > \mathrm{CH}_3\mathrm{NH}_2 > \mathrm{CH}_3\mathrm{CH}_2\mathrm{NH}_2 > (\mathrm{CH}_3\mathrm{CH}_2)_2\mathrm{NH}$$

Quick Tip

The presence of alkyl groups enhances basic strength due to the electron-donating effect, but the bulkier groups like $(CH_3CH_2)_2NH$ decrease the basicity due to steric hindrance and reduced availability of the lone pair.

64. Given below are two statements:

Statement I: The metallic radius of Al is less than that of Ga.

Statement II: The ionic radius of Al^{3+} is less than that of Ga^{3+} .

In the light of the above statements, choose the most appropriate answer from the options given



below:

(1) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct
(2) Statement I is correct but Statement I is correct
(3) Statement I is incorrect but Statement II is correct
(4) Both Statement I and Statement I and Statement I are incorrect

Correct Answer: (2) The metallic radius of Al is less than that of Ga

Solution:

The metallic radius of Al is less than Ga, which is correct. The ionic radius of Al^{3+} is more than Ga^{3+} , making Statement II incorrect.

Quick Tip

The metallic radius of an element generally increases down a group. The ionic radius decreases with an increase in positive charge on the ion.

65. Given below are two statements:

Statement I: High spin complexes have high values of Δ_o .

Statement II: Low spin complexes are formed when Δ_o is high.

In the light of the above statements, choose the most appropriate answer from the options given below:

(1) Statement I is correct but Statement II is incorrect
(2) Statement I is incorrect but Statement I is incorrect
(3) Both Statement I and Statement II are incorrect
(4) Both Statement I and Statement

Correct Answer: (4) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct

Solution:

High spin complexes have low values of Δ_o , whereas low spin complexes are formed when Δ_o is large. Thus, Statement I is incorrect, and Statement II is correct.

Quick Tip

High spin complexes generally form in weak field ligands, while low spin complexes form in strong field ligands due to the splitting of d-orbitals.

66. Choose the correct sets with respective observations:



(1) CuSO₄ (acidified with a cetic acid) + $K_2 {\rm Fe}({\rm CN})_6$ (neutralized with NaOH) \rightarrow Blue precipitate

(2) $2CuSO_4 + K_2Fe(CN)_6 \rightarrow Blue precipitate$

(3) $4 \text{FeCl}_3 + 3 \text{K}_4 \text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} K_4 \text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6$

(4) $37Cl_2 + 2KFe(CN)_6 \rightarrow 6KC1$

In the light of the above options, choose the correct set:

(1) (A), (B), (C) (2) (A), (B), (D) (3) (C), (D) (4) (B), (D)

Correct Answer: (3) $37Cl_2 + 2KFe(CN)_6$

Solution:

The correct option based on the given observations and reactions is Option (3).

67. On complete combustion 1.0 g of an organic compound (X) gave 1.46 g of CO and 0.567 g of HO. The empirical formula mass of compound (X) is: (Given molar mass in g mol⁻¹: C: 12, H: 1, O: 16)

(1) 30 (2) 45 (3) 60 (4) 15

Correct Answer: (1) 30

Solution:

Moles of 'C' = $n_{\text{CO}_2} = \frac{1.46}{44} = 0.033$ Moles of 'C' = $W_c = 0.033 \times 12 = 0.396$ Moles of 'H' = $2 \times n_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 2 \times \frac{0.567}{18} = 0.063$ Mass of 'H' = 0.0063Mass of Oxygen $O = 1 - (W_c + W_h) = 1 - (0.033 \times 12 + 0.063 \times 1) = 0.541$ Moles of 'O' = $\frac{0.541}{16} = 0.033$

Empirical formula = CH_2O Empirical formula mass = 30

Quick Tip

When calculating the empirical formula, first determine the moles of each element from the given combustion data. Then, divide each element's mass by its atomic mass to obtain the ratio of atoms.



68. Consider the following compound (X):

$$\begin{array}{c} H-\overset{I}{C}\equiv C-\overset{II}{CH_2}-\overset{III}{CH}-\overset{IV}{CH_3}\\ \\ I\\ CH_3 \end{array}$$

The most stable and least stable carbon radicals, respectively, produced by homolytic cleavage of corresponding C - H bond are:

(1) I, IV (2) III, II (3) II, IV (4) I, III

Correct Answer: (4) I, III

Solution:

The most stable carbon radical due to stabilization by adjacent alkyl groups is III, while the least stable radical is I as it lacks such stabilization.

$$\begin{array}{c} H^{\bullet} & H & H \\ \dots & & & \\ H - C \equiv C - CH - C - CH \\ I & III \\ II & III \\ CH_{\bullet} \end{array}$$

Quick Tip

Radical stability increases with the number of alkyl groups attached to the carbon carrying the radical. The more alkyl groups, the more stable the radical.

69. Consider the following molecules:

$$CH_{3} - CH_{2} - C - CI$$
(p)
$$CH_{3} - CH_{2} - C - O - C - CH_{3}$$
(q)
$$CH_{3} - CH_{2} - C - O - CH_{2} - CH_{3}$$
(r)
$$CH_{3} - CH_{2} - C - O - CH_{2} - CH_{3}$$
(r)
$$CH_{3} - CH_{2} - C - NH_{2}$$
(s)



The order of rate of hydrolysis is:

 $\begin{array}{ll} (1) \ r > q > p > s \\ (3) \ p > r > q > s \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{ll} (2) \ q > p > r > s \\ (4) \ p > q > r > s \end{array}$

Correct Answer: (3)

Solution:

The rate of hydrolysis is influenced by the availability of the leaving group, and the stability of the leaving group. In this case, the order is determined based on the ease of displacement of chloride ions.

$$\begin{array}{c} O & O & O & O \\ \parallel & \parallel & \parallel \\ CH_3-CH_2-C-Cl \geq Et-C-O-C-CH_3 \geq Et-C-OEt \geq Et-C-NH_2 \\ (p) & (r) & (s) \end{array}$$

Quick Tip

For nucleophilic substitution reactions, the stability of the leaving group is key. Chlorine, being a good leaving group, affects the rate of hydrolysis.

70. A molecule with the formula AX_2Y_2 has all it's elements from p-block. Element A is rarest, monotomic, non-radioactive from its group and has the lowest ionization energy value among X and Y. Elements X and Y have first and second highest electronegativity values respectively among all the known elements. The shape of the molecule is:

- (1) Square pyramidal
- (2) Octahedral
- (3) Planar
- (4) Tetrahedral

Correct Answer: (1)

Solution:

The molecule AX_2Y_2 follows the square pyramidal structure based on the given criteria. The electronegativity and ionization energy of element A explain its rarest behavior.





Quick Tip

In molecules with elements from the p-block, consider the electron configuration and the electronegativity values to determine the most likely molecular geometry.

Chemistry

SECTION-B

71. A transition metal (M) among Mn, Cr, Co, and Fe has the highest standard electrode potential M^n/M^{n+1} . It forms a metal complex of the type $[MCN]^{n+1}$. The number of electrons present in the *e*-orbital of the complex is (1) 6 (2) 5 (3) 4 (4) 3

Correct Answer: (1)

Solution:

Co has the highest standard electrode potential among Mn, Cr, Co, and Fe. The complex is $[Co(CN)_6]^{3-}$, and its splitting is as follows:



The number of electrons in the *e*-orbital of the complex is 6.

Quick Tip

In coordination chemistry, the number of electrons in the *e*-orbital of a complex depends on its d-orbital splitting. This splitting occurs when ligands interact with the central metal ion, influencing the number of available electrons in the *e*-orbital.

72. Consider the following electrochemical cell at standard condition.

$$\mathrm{Au}(\mathrm{s}) - \mathrm{QH}_2 - \mathrm{QH}_X(0.01M) - \mathrm{Ag}(1\mathrm{M}) - \mathrm{Ag}(\mathrm{s}) \ E_{\mathrm{cell}} = +0.4V$$

The couple QH/Q represents quinhydrone electrode, the half cell reaction is given below:

$$QH_2 \to Q + 2e^- + 2H^+ E^{\circ}_{QH/Q} = +0.7V$$





$$(1) 6 (2) 5 (3) 4 (4) 3$$

Correct Answer: (6)

Solution:

The cell reaction is:

$$\mathrm{QH}_2 + 2\mathrm{Ag}^+ \to 2\mathrm{Ag} + \mathrm{Q} + 2H^+$$

The equation for this reaction is:

$$E = E^{\circ} - \frac{0.06}{2} \log[H^+]^2$$
$$E = E^{\circ} - 0.06 \log[H^+]$$

Now, using the given data and solving for pH:

$$pH = -\log[H^+] = \frac{E - E^{\circ}}{0.06} = \frac{0.4 - 0.1}{0.06} = 5$$

Now, we consider the ammonium halide salt (NHX) with the relation:

$$pH + NH_4X = 7 - \frac{1}{2}pK_a - \frac{1}{2}\log C$$

Substituting values:

$$5 = 7 - \frac{1}{2}pK_a - \frac{1}{2}\log(10^{-3})$$

$$5 = 7 - \frac{1}{2}pK_a + \frac{1}{2} \times 3$$

$$5 = 7 - \frac{1}{2}pK_a + 1.5$$

$$\Rightarrow pK_a = 6$$

Quick Tip

When dealing with electrochemical cells, use the Nernst equation to calculate potential at non-standard conditions. Additionally, in pH calculations, use the relationship between pH, pKa, and concentration to determine the equilibrium.



73. 0.1 mol of the following given antiviral compound (P) will weighx 10^{-1} g.



(Given : molar mass in g mol⁻¹ H: 1, C : 12, N : 14, O : 16, F : 19, I : 127)

(1) 372 (2) 450 (3) 500 (4) 350

Correct Answer: (372)

Solution:

Molar mass is given as 372 g/mol for compound (P). Hence, for 0.1 mole, the mass will be:

Mass = Molar mass \times Number of moles = $372 \times 0.1 = 37.2$ g



Molar mass = 372 gm

∴ 0.1 mole has = 372 ×10⁻¹ gm

Quick Tip

When calculating the weight of a compound, simply multiply the molar mass by the number of moles to get the total mass in grams.

74. Consider the following equilibrium,

$$CO(g) + H_2(g) \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH(g)$$



0.1 mol of CO along with a catalyst is present in a 2 dm³ flask maintained at 500 K. Hydrogen is introduced into the flask until the pressure is 5 bar and 0.04 mol of CH₃OH is formed. The K_p is x 10⁷ (nearest integer).

Given: $R = 0.08 \,\mathrm{dm}^3 \,\mathrm{bar} \,\mathrm{K}^{-1} \,\mathrm{mol}^{-1}$

Assume only methanol is formed as the product and the system follows ideal gas behavior. (1) 74 (2) 67 (3) 54 (4) 85

Correct Answer: (74)

Solution:

The reaction is:

$$CO(g) + H_2(g) \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH(g)$$

At time t = 0, moles of CO = 0.1 mol and moles of H₂ = 0.1 mol. At equilibrium, the number of moles is:

$$CO(g) = 0.1 - x$$
 $H_2(g) = 0.1 - 2x$ $CH_3OH(g) = x = 0.04 \text{ mol}$

Substituting values:

$$x = 0.04$$
 CO(g) = 0.06 H₂(g) = 0.08

Given:

V = 2 L T = 500 K $P_{\text{total}} = 5 bar$

Using the ideal gas law:

$$n_{\text{total}} = 0.25 \text{ mol}$$

$$P_{\text{total}} = \frac{n_{\text{total}} \times R \times T}{V}$$

$$P_{\text{total}} = \frac{(0.06 + 0.08 + 0.04) \times 0.08 \times 500}{2} = 5 \text{ bar}$$

Thus, $K_p = 74$.

Now continuing the calculation:

$$K_p = \frac{X_{\text{CH}_3\text{OH}} \times X_{\text{CO}} \times X_{\text{H}_2}}{P_{\text{total}}^2}$$
$$K_p = \frac{0.04}{(0.06)(0.15)^2} = \frac{4}{6 \times 0.15 \times 16} \times \frac{1}{25}$$
$$K_p = \frac{100 \times 100}{24 \times 225 \times 25} = 0.074 \quad \Rightarrow K_p = 74 \times 10^7$$

Quick Tip

When calculating equilibrium constants, use the ideal gas law to determine the total moles and pressure. For equilibrium calculations, ensure that you account for the changes in the concentration of reactants and products.

75. For the reaction $A \rightarrow$ products,





The concentration of A at 10 minutes is _____

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× 10<sup>-9</sup> mol L<sup>-1</sup> (nearest integer).
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The reaction was started with 2.5 mol L^{-1} of A.

(1) 2435 (2) 2000 (3) 1000 (4) 3000

Correct Answer: (2435)

Solution:

From the graph, we know that $t_{1/2}$ is proportional to [A]. The slope is given as 76.92. Thus, using the equation for zero-order reaction:

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{A_0}{2K}$$
 where slope $= \frac{1}{2K} = 76.92$

Thus,

$$K = \frac{1}{2 \times 76.92} = \frac{1}{153.84}$$

Now, applying the formula for zero-order reaction:

$$[A] = -Kt + A_0$$
$$[A] = -\frac{1}{2 \times 76.92} \times 10 + 2.5 = 2.435 \text{ mol/L}$$

Thus, the concentration of A at 10 minutes is $2435 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol/L}$.

Quick Tip

In a zero-order reaction, the rate of reaction is constant and the concentration of reactant decreases linearly with time. The equation $[A] = -Kt + A_0$ is used to calculate the concentration at any given time.

