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SOME USEFUL DATA

Planck constant, $h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$

Avogadro number, $N_A = 6.022 \times 10^{23}$

Speed of light, $c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$

Gas constant, $R = 8.314 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1} = 0.08314 \text{ L bar K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1} = 2 \text{ cal K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

Boltzmann constant, $k_B = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$

Faraday constant, $F = 96500 \text{ C}$

$\pi = 3.14$

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Q. 1 – Q. 25 carry one mark each.

Q.1  Jahn-Teller distortion of CuSO₄·5H₂O acts to
(A) raise symmetry  
(B) remove an electronic degeneracy  
(C) cause loss of H₂O ligand  
(D) promote a d-electron to an antibonding molecular orbital

Q.2  Among the following, the group of molecules that undergoes rapid hydrolysis is
(A) SF₆, Al₂Cl₆, SiMe₄  
(B) BCl₃, SF₆, SiCl₄  
(C) BCl₃, SiCl₄, PCl₃  
(D) SF₆, Al₂Cl₆, SiCl₄

Q.3  The reaction of solid XeF₃ with AsF₅ in 1:1 ratio affords
(A) XeF₄ and AsF₃  
(B) XeF₆ and AsF₃  
(C) [XeF⁺][AsF₆⁻]  
(D) [Xe₂F₃⁺][AsF₆⁻]

Q.4  A well known naturally occurring organometallic compound is
(A) vitamin B₁₂ coenzyme  
(B) chlorophyll  
(C) cytochrome P-450  
(D) myoglobin

Q.5  The complex that exists as a pair of enantiomers is
(A) trans-[Co(H₂NCH₂CH₂NH₂)₂Cl₂]⁺  
(B) cis-[Co(NH₃)₆Cl₂]⁺  
(C) [Pt(PPh₃)(Cl)(Br)(CH₃)]⁻  
(D) [Co(H₂NCH₂CH₂NH₂)₃]³⁺

Q.6  The region of electromagnetic spectrum employed in the electron spin resonance (ESR) spectroscopy is
(A) radiowave  
(B) microwave  
(C) infrared  
(D) visible

Q.7  The red color of oxyhaemoglobin is mainly due to the
(A) d-d transition  
(B) metal to ligand charge transfer transition  
(C) ligand to metal charge transfer transition  
(D) intraligand π-π* transition

Q.8  The band structure in an n-type semiconductor is

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   I       II       III       IV
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(A) I  
(B) II  
(C) III  
(D) IV
Q.9 In the following reaction

\[
\text{Ac}_2\text{O/NaOAc} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{Heat}} \quad [X]
\]

the major product [X] is

(A) ![Option A](image)

(B) ![Option B](image)

(C) ![Option C](image)

(D) ![Option D](image)

Q.10 In the following reaction sequence

\[
i) \text{NH}_2\text{OH.HCl} \\
ii) \text{ArSO}_2\text{Cl, Py} \\
iii) \text{Heat} \\
v) \text{H}_2\text{O}
\]

the major product [X] is

(A) ![Option A](image)

(B) ![Option B](image)

(C) ![Option C](image)

(D) ![Option D](image)

Q.11 The diene which undergoes Diels-Alder reaction with maleic anhydride is

(A) ![Option A](image)

(B) ![Option B](image)

(C) ![Option C](image)

(D) ![Option D](image)
Q.12  The sequence of an mRNA molecule produced from a DNA template strand with the composition  
5'-AGCTACACT-3' is  
(A) 5'-AGUGUAGCU-3'  
(B) 5'-UCGAUGUGA-3'  
(C) 5'-AGTGTAGCT-3'  
(D) 5'-TCGATGTGA-3'

Q.13  In the following reaction

the major product [X] is  
(A)  
(B)  
(C)  
(D)  

Q.14  The structure of the dipeptide Ala-Pro derived from the natural amino acids is  
(A)  
(B)  
(C)  
(D)  

Q.15  In the following reaction

the major product [X] is  
(A)  
(B)  
(C)  
(D)  
Q.16 In the following reaction

the major product [X] is

(A)  
(B)  
(C)  
(D)  

Q.17 For a given first order reaction, the reactant reduces to 1/4th its initial value in 10 minutes. The rate constant of the reaction is

(A) 0.1386 min\(^{-1}\)  
(B) 0.0693 min\(^{-1}\)  
(C) 0.1386 mol L\(^{-1}\) min\(^{-1}\)  
(D) 0.0693 mol L\(^{-1}\) min\(^{-1}\)  

Q.18 The freezing point constant for water is 1.86 K (mol kg\(^{-1}\))\(^{-1}\). The change in freezing point when 0.01 mol glucose is added to 1 kg water is

(A) 1.86 K  
(B) –1.86 K  
(C) 0.186 K  
(D) –0.0186 K  

Q.19 On the pressure-temperature diagram for a one-component system, the point where the solid-liquid and the liquid-gas curves intersect is

(A) triple point  
(B) critical point  
(C) melting point  
(D) boiling point  

Q.20 The wave function for a Harmonic oscillator described by \( N x \exp(-\alpha x^2 / 2) \) has

(A) one maximum only  
(B) one maximum, one minimum only  
(C) two maxima, one minimum only  
(D) two maxima, two minima only
Q.21 If an arbitrary wave function is used to calculate the energy of a quantum mechanical system, the value calculated is never less than the true energy.

The above statement relates to

(A) perturbation theory
(B) variation principle
(C) Heisenberg's uncertainty principle
(D) quantization of energy

Q.22 The point group symmetry of the given planar shape is

(A) D_{3h}  
(B) C_3  
(C) C_{3h}  
(D) C_{3v}

Q.23 \( \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial p} \right)_T = \)

(A) V  
(B) S  
(C) -S  
(D) -V

Q.24 According to the Ehrenfest classification of phase transitions, the above diagram refers to

(A) Zeroth order phase transition
(B) First order phase transition
(C) Second order phase transition
(D) \( \lambda \) transition

Q.25 According to conventional transition state theory, for elementary bimolecular reactions, the molar entropy of activation \( \Delta S^0 \) is

(A) positive
(B) zero
(C) negative
(D) positive for endothermic and negative for exothermic reactions
Q. 26 to Q. 55 carry two marks each.

Q.26 The crystal field stabilization energy (CFSE) value for $[\text{Ti(H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$ that has an absorption maximum at 492 nm is

(A) 20,325 cm$^{-1}$  (B) 12,195 cm$^{-1}$  (C) 10,162 cm$^{-1}$  (D) 8,130 cm$^{-1}$

Q.27 For Et$_2$AlX (X = PPh$_2^-$, Ph$^-$, Cl$^-$ and H$^-$), the tendency towards dimeric structure follows the order

(A) PPh$_2^-$ > Cl$^-$ > H$^-$ > Ph$^-$  (B) Cl$^-$ > PPh$_2^-$ > H$^-$ > Ph$^-$
(C) Ph$^-$ > H$^-$ > Cl$^-$ > PPh$_2^-$  (D) H$^-$ > Ph$^-$ > PPh$_2^-$ > Cl$^-$

Q.28 In the isoelectronic series, VO$_4^{3-}$, CrO$_4^{2-}$ and MnO$_4^{-}$, all members have intense charge transfer (CT) transitions. The **INCORRECT** statement is

(A) CT transitions are attributed to excitations of electrons from ligand ($\sigma$) to metal (e)
(B) MnO$_4^{-}$ exhibits charge transfer at shortest wavelength among the three
(C) The wavelengths of transitions increase in the order VO$_4^{3-}$ < CrO$_4^{2-}$ < MnO$_4^{-}$
(D) The charge on metal nucleus increases in the order VO$_4^{3-}$ < CrO$_4^{2-}$ < MnO$_4^{-}$

Q.29 The increasing order of wavelength of absorption for the complex ions:

i) $[\text{Cr(NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$, ii) $[\text{CrCl}_4]^{2-}$, iii) $[\text{Cr(OH}_2)_6]^{3+}$, iv) $[\text{Cr(CN)}_6]^{3-}$, is

(A) iv < ii < i < iii  (B) iv < iii < ii < i  (C) iv < i < iii < ii  (D) ii < iii < i < iv

Q.30 The total number of metal-metal bonds in Ru$_3$(CO)$_{12}$ and Co$_4$(CO)$_{12}$, respectively, is

(A) 3 and 6  (B) 4 and 5  (C) zero and 4  (D) 3 and 4

Q.31 According to VSEPR theory the shapes of $[\text{SF}_2\text{Cl}]^+$ and $[\text{S}_2\text{O}_4]^{2-}$ should be

(A) trigonal planar for $[\text{S}_2\text{O}_4]^{2-}$ and trigonal pyramidal for $[\text{SF}_2\text{Cl}]^+$
(B) both trigonal planar
(C) trigonal pyramidal for $[\text{S}_2\text{O}_4]^{2-}$ and trigonal planar for $[\text{SF}_2\text{Cl}]^+$
(D) both trigonal pyramidal

Q.32 The product of the reaction between CH$_3$Mn(CO)$_5$ and $^{13}$CO is

(A) (CH$_3^{13}$CO)Mn(CO)$_5$  (B) (CH$_3$CO)Mn(CO)$_4$($^{13}$CO)
(C) (CH$_3^{13}$CO)Mn(CO)$_5$  (D) CH$_3$Mn(CO)$_4$

Q.33 The correct pair of $^1$H and $^{31}$P NMR spectral patterns for C(H)(F)(PCl$_2$)$_2$ is

(A)  

(B)  

(C)  

(D)  

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Q.34  In the following reaction

\[
\text{O} \quad \text{Ph-CHO} \quad \text{NaCN (cat.)} \quad \text{DMF} \quad [X]
\]

the major product \([X]\) is

(A) \hspace{1cm} (B) \hspace{1cm} (C) \hspace{1cm} (D)

Q.35  In the following reaction

\[
\text{Me} \quad \text{i) SeO}_2 / \text{HOAc} \quad \text{ii) NaOH} \quad \text{iii) H}_2\text{O}^+ \quad [X]
\]

the major product \([X]\) is

(A) \hspace{1cm} (B) \hspace{1cm} (C) \hspace{1cm} (D)

Q.36  In the following reaction

\[
\text{Br} \quad \text{Bu}_3\text{SnH, AIBN} \quad \text{Toluene, heat} \quad [X]
\]

the major product \([X]\) is

(A) \hspace{1cm} (B) \hspace{1cm} (C) \hspace{1cm} (D)
Q.37 The most appropriate sequence of reactions for carrying out the following conversion is

(A) (i) Peracid; (ii) H⁺; (iii) Zn / dil. HCl
(B) (i) Alkaline KMnO₄; (ii) NaO₂; (iii) N₂H₄ / KOH
(C) (i) Alkaline KMnO₄; (ii) H⁺; (iii) Zn / dil. HCl
(D) (i) O₃ / Me₂S; (ii) NaOEt; (iii) N₂H₄ / KOH

Q.38 In the following reaction sequence

the major product [X] is

(A) 
(B) 
(C) 
(D) 

Q.39 In the following conversion

the major product [X] is

(A) 
(B) 
(C) 
(D) 

[Image of chemical structures]
Q.40 In the following reaction

\[
\begin{array}{c}
\text{KOBu}^+ \\
\text{Raney Ni} \\
\text{EtOH}
\end{array}
\]

the major product [X] is

(A) \hspace{1cm} (B) \hspace{1cm} (C) \hspace{1cm} (D)

Q.41 In the reaction

Optically pure (+)-\textit{trans}-2-acetoxy-cyclohexyl tosylate \[ \xrightarrow{\text{HOAc, KOAc}} \] [X]

the major product [X] is

(A) racemic \textit{trans}-1,2-cyclohexanediol diacetate
(B) optically active \textit{trans}-1,2-cyclohexanediol diacetate
(C) racemic \textit{cis}-1,2-cyclohexanediol diacetate
(D) optically active \textit{cis}-1,2-cyclohexanediol diacetate

Q.42 The activity of water at 11 bar and 298 K is

(A) 1.101 \hspace{1cm} (B) 1.007 \hspace{1cm} (C) 0.998 \hspace{1cm} (D) 0.898

Q.43 For the process

\[ \text{1 Ar (300 K, 1 bar)} \rightarrow \text{1 Ar (200 K, 10 bar)} \]

assuming ideal gas behavior, the change in molar entropy is

(A) \(-27.57 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}\) \hspace{1cm} (B) \(+27.57 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}\)

(C) \(-24.20 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}\) \hspace{1cm} (D) \(+24.20 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}\)

Q.44 The wave function for a quantum mechanical particle in a 1-dimensional box of length ‘a’ is given by \(\psi = A \sin \frac{\pi x}{a}\)

The value of ‘A’ for a box of length 200 nm is

(A) \(4 \times 10^4 \text{ (nm)}^2\) \hspace{1cm} (B) \(10 \sqrt{2} \text{ (nm)}^{1/2}\) \hspace{1cm} (C) \(\sqrt{2}/10 \text{ (nm)}^{-1/2}\) \hspace{1cm} (D) 0.1 (nm)\(^{-1/2}\)
Q.45 For 1 mole of a monoatomic ideal gas, the relation between pressure (\(p\)), volume (\(V\)) and average molecular kinetic energy (\(E\)) is

(A) \(p = \frac{N_A E}{V}\)  (B) \(p = \frac{N_A E}{3V}\)  (C) \(p = \frac{2N_A E}{3V}\)  (D) \(p = \frac{2N_A}{3VE}\)

Q.46 For a 1 molal aqueous NaCl solution, the mean ionic activity coefficient (\(\gamma_+\)) and the Debye-Hückel Limiting Law constant (\(A\)) are related as

(A) \(\log \gamma_+ = \sqrt{2} A\)  (B) \(\log \gamma_+ = -\sqrt{2} A\)

(C) \(\gamma_+ = 10^4\)  (D) \(\gamma_+ = 10^{-4}\)

Q.47 For the concentration cell

\[
\text{M} | \text{M}^+(\text{aq}, 0.01 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}) \parallel \text{M}^+(\text{aq}, 0.1 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}) | \text{M}
\]

the EMF (\(E\)) of the cell at a temperature (\(T\)) equals

(A) \(2.303 \frac{RT}{F}\)  (B) \(-2.303 \frac{RT}{F}\)

(C) \(E_{M^+/M}^0 + 2.303 \frac{RT}{F}\)  (D) \(E_{M^+/M}^0 - 2.303 \frac{RT}{F}\)

Common Data Questions

Common Data for Questions 48 and 49:

A hypothetical molecule XY has the following properties

- Reduced mass: \(2 \times 10^{-26}\) kg
- X-Y bond length: 100 pm
- Force constant of the bond: \(8 \times 10^2\) N.m\(^{-1}\)

Q.48 The frequency of radiation (in \(\text{cm}^{-1}\) units) required to vibrationally excite the molecule from \(v = 0\) to \(v = 1\) state is

(A) 3184.8  (B) 2123.2  (C) 1061.6  (D) 840.0

Q.49 The frequency of radiation (in \(\text{cm}^{-1}\) units) required to rotationally excite the molecule from \(J = 0\) to \(J = 1\) state is

(A) 1.4  (B) 2.8  (C) 3.2  (D) 3.6

Common Data for Questions 50 and 51:

\(\text{Na}_3\text{HPO}_4\) and \(\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4\) on heating at high temperature produce a chain sodium pentaphosphate quantitatively.

Q.50 The ideal molar ratio of \(\text{Na}_3\text{HPO}_4\) to \(\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4\) is

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

Q.51 The total charge on pentaphosphate anion is

(A) -5  (B) -3  (C) -7  (D) -9
Linked Answer Questions

Statement for Linked Answer Questions 52 and 53:

The decomposition of ozone to oxygen \(2O_3(g) \rightarrow 3O_2(g)\) occurs by the mechanism

(i) \(M(g) + O_3(g) \rightarrow O_2(g) + O(g) + M(g), \ E_{a,1}\)

(ii) \(O_2(g) + O(g) + M(g) \rightarrow M(g) + O_3(g), \ E_{a,2}\)

(iii) \(O(g) + O_3(g) \rightarrow 2O_2(g), \ E_{a,3}\)

where, \(M\) is the catalyst molecule.

\(k_i\)'s are rate constants and \(E_{a,i}\)'s the activation energies for the elementary steps.

Q.52 Under the steady state approximation for the intermediates, the rate of decomposition of ozone, \(\frac{d[O_3]}{dt}\), is

(A) \(\frac{2k_1k_3[O_3]^2[M]}{k_2[O_2][M]+k_3[O_3]}\)

(B) \(\frac{2k_1k_3[O_3]^2[M]}{k_2[O_2][M]-k_3[O_3]}\)

(C) \(\frac{2k_1k_3[O_3][M]}{k_2[O_2][M]+k_3[O_3]}\)

(D) \(\frac{2k_1k_3[O_3]^2[M]}{k_2[O_2][M]-k_3[O_3]}\)

Q.53 Assuming \(k_3[O_3] \gg k_2[O_2][M]\), the activation energy of the overall reaction is

(A) \(\frac{E_{a,1}E_{a,3}}{E_{a,2}}\)

(B) \(E_{a,3} + E_{a,1} - E_{a,2}\)

(C) \(E_{a,2}\)

(D) \(E_{a,1}\)

Statement for Linked Answer Questions 54 and 55:

A ketone on treatment with bromine in methanol gives the corresponding monobromo compound \([X]\) having molecular formula \(C_5H_9BrO\). The compound \([X]\) when treated with NaOMe in MeOH produces \([Y]\) as the major product. The spectral data for compound \([X]\) are: \(^1\)H NMR: \(\delta\ 1.17\ (d, 6H), 3.02\ (m, 1H), 4.10\ (s, 2H); \(^13\)C NMR: \(\delta\ 17, 37, 39, 210.\)

Q.54 The compound \([X]\) is

(A) \(\text{Me} \quad \text{Br} \quad \text{O} \quad \text{Me} \)

(B) \(\text{Br} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \)

(C) \(\text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{Br} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \)

(D) \(\text{Me} \quad \text{Br} \quad \text{O} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \)

Q.55 The major product \([Y]\) is

(A) \(\text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{O} \)

(B) \(\text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{O} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \)

(C) \(\text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{O} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \)

(D) \(\text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{O} \quad \text{Me} \quad \text{Me} \)
General Aptitude (GA) Questions

Q. 56 – Q. 60 carry one mark each.

Q. 56 The question below consists of a pair of related words followed by four pairs of words. Select the pair that best expresses the relation in the original pair:

Gladiator : Arena

(A) dancer : stage
(B) commuter : train
(C) teacher : classroom
(D) lawyer : courtroom

Q. 57 Choose the most appropriate word from the options given below to complete the following sentence:

Under ethical guidelines recently adopted by the Indian Medical Association, human genes are to be manipulated only to correct diseases for which ———— treatments are unsatisfactory.

(A) similar
(B) most
(C) uncommon
(D) available

Q. 58 Choose the word from the options given below that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the given word:

Frequency

(A) periodicity
(B) rarity
(C) gradualness
(D) persistence

Q. 59 Choose the most appropriate word from the options given below to complete the following sentence:

It was her view that the country’s problems had been ———— by foreign technocrats, so that to invite them to come back would be counter-productive.

(A) identified
(B) ascertained
(C) exacerbated
(D) analysed

Q. 60 There are two candidates P and Q in an election. During the campaign, 40% of the voters promised to vote for P, and rest for Q. However, on the day of election 15% of the voters went back on their promise to vote for P and instead voted for Q. 25% of the voters went back on their promise to vote for Q and instead voted for P. Suppose, P lost by 2 votes, then what was the total number of voters?

(A) 100  (B) 110  (C) 90  (D) 95

Q. 61 to Q. 65 carry two marks each.

Q. 61 The horse has played a little known but very important role in the field of medicine. Horses were injected with toxins of diseases until their blood built up immunities. Then a serum was made from their blood. Serums to fight with diphtheria and tetanus were developed this way.

It can be inferred from the passage, that horses were

(A) given immunity to diseases
(B) generally quite immune to diseases
(C) given medicines to fight toxins
(D) given diphtheria and tetanus serums
Q.62 The sum of \( n \) terms of the series \( 4+44+444+\ldots \) is
(A) \( \frac{4}{81} [10^{n+1} - 9n - 1] \)
(B) \( \frac{4}{81} [10^{n-1} - 9n - 1] \)
(C) \( \frac{4}{81} [10^{n+1} - 9n - 10] \)
(D) \( \frac{4}{81} [10^n - 9n - 10] \)

Q.63 Given that \( f(y) = \left| \frac{y}{y} \right| \), and \( q \) is any non-zero real number, the value of \( |f(q) - f(-q)| \) is
(A) 0 \hspace{2cm} (B) -1 \hspace{2cm} (C) 1 \hspace{2cm} (D) 2

Q.64 Three friends, R, S and T shared toffee from a bowl. R took \( \frac{1}{3} \)rd of the toffees, but returned four to the bowl. S took \( \frac{1}{4} \)th of what was left but returned three toffees to the bowl. T took half of the remainder but returned two back into the bowl. If the bowl had 17 toffees left, how many toffees were originally there in the bowl?
(A) 38 \hspace{2cm} (B) 31 \hspace{2cm} (C) 48 \hspace{2cm} (D) 41

Q.65 The fuel consumed by a motorcycle during a journey while traveling at various speeds is indicated in the graph below.

![Graph showing fuel consumption versus speed](https://byjus.com)

The distances covered during four laps of the journey are listed in the table below:

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From the given data, we can conclude that the fuel consumed per kilometre was least during the lap
(A) P \hspace{2cm} (B) Q \hspace{2cm} (C) R \hspace{2cm} (D) S

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