



SECOND SEMESTER 2023-2024

Course Handout (Part - II)

Date: 09/01/2024

In addition to Part I (General Handout for all courses appended to the time table), this portion gives further specific details regarding the course:

Course No. : CHEM F 244
Course Title : Physical Chemistry III
Instructor-in-charge : **K. Sumithra**

Scope and Objective: The principles of group theory, its application to molecular spectroscopy and different approximation methods in quantum chemistry will be discussed. Basic concepts of density functional theory, semi-empirical methods and molecular mechanics approach would also be introduced together with hands-on experiments on the application of these methods.

Text Book (T):

‘Quantum Chemistry’, Ira N Levine, 6th edition, Pearson Education Inc. (2009).

Reference Books:

R1. “Chemical applications of Group theory” F. A. Cotton, Third Ed. Wiley (1990).

R2. “Molecular symmetry and Group theory” Robert L Carter, Wiley (1998).

Course Plan:

Lec. No.	Learning Objectives	Topics to be covered	Ref to text
Molecular Symmetry and Symmetry group			
1-3	Symmetry operations and Group theory	Symmetry elements, Point groups and its classification, Application of symmetry operations, dipole moment and optical activity	T Chapter 12 R1 3.1 to 3.14, R2 1.5 to 1.7
Representation of groups			
4-8	Equivalent and reducible representation, irreducible representation and quantum mechanics	Irreducible and reducible representations, transformation operators, Great Orthogonality Theorem, Character tables and their constructions, Hamiltonian operator under transformation, direct product representation, vanishing integrals	R1 4.2 to 4.5, R2 Chapter 2 (2.1 to 2.5) R1 5.1-5.3 Lecture notes
9-12	Symmetry and chemical bonding	Symmetry adapted bases (SALCs), degeneracy, Projection operators	R1 6.1-6.3, R2 4.3, 5.1-5.2
13-16	Molecular vibrations	Normal coordinates, vibrational levels, IR spectra, Raman spectra, Selection Rules	R1 10.1-10.8 Lecture notes
17-18	Matrices	Matrix representation of operators	7.10, 8.6
Approximation Methods			
19-20	Variation Method	Recapitulation of the Variation theorem and	8.1 - 8.5

		method including Linear Variation	
21-23	Stationary State Perturbation Theory	Recapitulation of perturbation theory, Systematic correction of energies and wave functions, non-degenerate and degenerate cases energy levels	9.1 - 9.7
24-25	Time-dependent perturbation theory	Spectroscopy-interaction of electromagnetic radiation and matter	9.9 - 9.10
Electronic structure calculation for polyatomic molecules			
25-30	Theorem of molecular quantum mechanics	Electron probability density, dipole moment, Hartree and Hatree-Fock method, Virial and Hellmann-Feynmann theorems	14.1 - 14.6 11.3 Lecture notes
31-34	Molecular electronic structure calculations*	SCF MO Treatment, Basis Sets, Example of the water molecule, Population Analysis, MEP, Localized molecular orbitals Configuration Interaction, MP perturbation theory Electron correlation methods.	Lecture notes 15.1 - 15.6 15.7 - 15.9 16.1-16.2
35-37	Semi-empirical methods	Philosophy, π -electron methods (Huckel, EHM), examples all valence electron methods (CNDO, INDO, NDDO)	11.3,17.1 , 17.4 Lecture notes
38-40	Molecular Mechanics	MM methods and its application, Lab components: Abinitio Hartree-Fock, semi-empirical and molecular mechanical methods.	Lecture notes

Evaluation Scheme:

Component	Weightage(%)	Duration		Date & Time
Continuous Evaluation*	30	During Class hrs	Open	Continuous
Mid Sem Test	30	90 min.	Closed book	11/03 - 2.00 - 3.30PM
Comprehensive	40	180 min.	Closed book	07/05 FN

***It will be comprised of surprise tests, computer assignments and announced tests**

Chamber Consultation Hour: Will be announced later in the class and also will be displayed in the notice board.

Notices concerning the course will be displayed in CMS.

Make-up-policy: Make up would be considered only for very genuine reasons.

Academic Honesty and Integrity Policy: Academic honesty and integrity are to be maintained by all the students throughout the semester and no type of academic dishonesty is acceptable.

Instructor in Charge
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