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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH EDUCATION

BASIC PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY

DATE: December 13, 2022

TIME: 9:30am – 12:30pm

DURATION: 3HRS

Instructions:

- (ii) This Examination consists of Two sections, A and B
- (iii) Attempt all questions in section A and any three questions in section B.
- (iv) Remember to write your Examination Clearance number on the answer booklet and attendance list
- (v) All answers must be written in the answer booklets provided.
- (vi) Show all necessary working and use relevant examples

Section A

Attempt all Questions from this section

Question One

- (a)(i) State Kohlrausch's law of ionic conductivity at infinite dilution (2 marks)
- (ii) Calculate the molar conductivity of methanoic acid at infinite dilution
- $(\lambda_0(\text{HCOONa}) = 9.5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ Sm}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}, \lambda_0(\text{NaCl}) = 1.26 \times 10^{-1} \text{ Sm}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}, \lambda_0(\text{HCl}) = 4.26 \times 10^{-1} \text{ Sm}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1})$ (2marks)
- (b) Ionic conductivities of Ag^+ and Cl^- at infinite dilution are 6.2×10^{-2} and $7.6 \times 10^{-2} \text{ Sm}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ respectively at 298K. The electrolytic conductivity of silver chloride at 298K is $1.22 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Sm}^{-1}$. Calculate the solubility, in mol dm^{-3} , of silver chloride at 298K. (5marks)
- (c) Name one practical application of ionic conductivity apart from the determination of solubility of electrolytes. (1mark)

Question Two

- (a) (i) List any two assumptions in the collision theory. (2marks)
- (ii) Show that the rate constant obtained from collision theory is similar to Arrhenius equation. (4marks)
- (iii). Explain why some collisions having the required activation energy may not result in a reaction. (2marks)
- (b) State any two limitations of collision theory. (2marks)

Question three

- (a). Give three important characteristics of gases (3marks)
- (b). Explain why the density of ice is lower than that of water. (2marks)

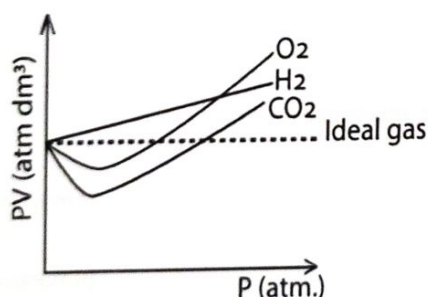
- (c). One litre flask containing vapours of methyl alcohol (Mol. mass = 32) at a pressure of 1 atm and 25°C was evacuated till the final pressure was 10^{-3} mm. How many molecules of methyl alcohol were left in the flask? (5 marks)

Section B

Attempt any three questions from this section

Question Four

- a (i) State Graham's Law. (2 marks)
- (ii) Oxygen diffuses through a small hole 0.935 times faster than gas X. Calculate the relative molecular mass of X (4 marks)
- (b). Summarize the basic principles of the kinetic theory of matter. (4 marks)
- (c) State what is meant by the term an ideal gas. (01 mark)
- (d) Explain how liquefaction of a gas can be affected by
- (i) Pressure (2 ½ marks)
- (ii) Temperature (2 ½ marks)
- (e) The curve below shows deviation of some gases from ideal behaviours.



- (i) State why hydrogen shows a small deviation from ideal behavior compared to other gases (1 ½ marks)
- (ii) Compared to deviations of oxygen and carbon dioxide from ideal behavior. (2 ½ marks)

Question Five

[2marks]

a) State Kohlrausch's Law

[6 marks]

b) Explain three applications of Kohlrausch's Law

c) The equivalent conductance of sodium chloride, hydrochloric acid and sodium acetate at infinite dilution are 126.45, 426.16 and 91.0 $\text{ohm}^{-1} \text{cm}^2 \text{equiv}^{-1}$, respectively at 25 °C. Calculate the equivalent conductance of acetic acid at infinite dilution.

[6 marks]

d) Explain three factors that affect conductance of an electrolyte

[6 marks]

Question Six

a) Describe the different types of electrolytes

[4 marks]

b) Differentiate between specific conductance and molar conductance

[3 marks]

c) A 0.05 N solution of a salt occupying a volume between two platinum electrodes separated by a distance of 1.72 cm and having an area of 4.5 cm^2 has a resistance of 250 ohm. Calculate the equivalent conductance of the solution.

[6 marks]

d) The specific conductivity of 0.02 M KCl solution at 25 °C is $2.768 \times 10^{-3} \text{ohm}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$. The resistance of this solution at 25 °C when measured with a particular cell was 250.2 ohms. The resistance of 0.01 M CuSO_4 solution at 25 °C measured with the same cell was 8331 ohms. Calculate the molar conductivity of the copper sulphate solution.

[7 marks]

Question Seven

(a) Derive expressions for each of the following order reactions;

(i) First-order reaction.

(5marks)

(ii) Pseudo order reaction.

(4marks)

(b) For a reaction in which A and B react to form C, the following data were obtained from three experiments;

Expt.	[A] / mol ⁻¹	[B] / mol ⁻¹	Initial rates / mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
1	0.3	0.15	7.0×10^{-4}
2	0.6	0.3	2.8×10^{-3}
3	0.3	0.3	1.4×10^{-3}

(i) What is the rate equation for the reaction?

(4 marks)

(ii) What is the numerical value and units of the rate constant K?

(7 marks)