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- The formation of gas at the surface of tungsten due to adsorption is the reaction of order [2002]
  - (a) 0
- (b) 1
- (c) 2
- (d) insufficient data.
- 2. Which one of the following characteristics is **not** correct for physical adsorption?
  - (a) Adsorption increases with increase in temperature
  - (b) Adsorption is spontaneous
  - (c) Both enthalpy and entropy of adsorption are negative
  - (d) Adsorption on solids is reversible
- 3. Identify the correct statement regarding enzymes [2004]
  - (a) Enzymes are specific biological catalysts that cannot be poisoned
  - Enzymes are normally heterogeneous catalysts that are very specific in their
  - (c) Enzymes are specific biological catalysts that can normally function at very high temperatures (T~1000K)
  - (d) Enzymes are specific biological catalysts that possess well-defined active sites
- The volume of a colloidal particle, V<sub>C</sub> as 4. compared to the volume of a solute particle in a true solution  $V_S$ , could be
- (a)  $\frac{V_C}{V_S} \approx 10^3$  (b)  $\frac{V_C}{V_S} \approx 10^{-3}$  (c)  $\frac{V_C}{V_S} \approx 10^{23}$  (d)  $\frac{V_C}{V_S} \approx 1$
- The disperse phase in colloidal iron (III) hydroxide and colloidal gold is positively and negatively charged, respectively. Which of the following statements is NOT correct? [2005]
  - (a) Coagulation in both sols can be brought about by electrophoresis

- Mixing the sols has no effect
- Sodium sulphate solution causes coagulation in both sols
- Magnesium chloride solution coagulates, the gold sol more readily than the iron (III) hydroxide sol
- 6. In Langmuir's model of adsorption of a gas on a solid surface
  - the mass of gas striking a given area of surface is proportional to the pressure of the gas
  - the mass of gas striking a given area of surface is independent of the pressure of the gas
  - the rate of dissociation of adsorbed molecules from the surface does not depend on the surface covered
  - the adsorption at a single site on the surface may involve multiple molecules at the same
- Gold numbers of protective colloids A, B, C and D 7. are 0.50, 0.01, 0.10 amd 0.005, respectively. the correct order of their protective powers is [2008]
  - (a) D < A < C < B
- (b) C < B < D < A
- (c) A < C < B < D
- (d) B < D < A < C
- 8. Which of the following statements is incorrect regarding physissorptions? [2009]
  - More easily liquefiable gases are adsorbed
  - Under high pressure it results into multi molecular layer on adsorbent surface.
  - Enthalpy of adsorption ( $\Delta H_{adsorption}$ ) is low and positive.
  - It occurs because of van der Waal's forces.
- 9. According to Freundlich adsorption isotherm which of the following is correct? [2012]
  - (a)  $\frac{x}{m} \propto p^0$
  - (b)  $\frac{x}{m} \propto p^1$

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(c)  $\frac{x}{m} \propto p^{1/n}$ 

- (d) All the above are correct for different ranges of pressure
- 10. The coagulating power of electrolytes having ions Na<sup>+</sup>, Al<sup>3+</sup> and Ba<sup>2+</sup> for arsenic sulphide sol increases in the order: [2013]

increases in the order : [2013] (a)  $Al^{3+} < Ba^{2+} < Na^+(b)$   $Na^+ < Ba^{2+} < Al^{3+}$ 

- (c)  $Ba^{2+} < Na^+ < Al^{3+}$  (d)  $Al^{3+} < Na^+ < Ba^{2+}$
- 11. For a linear plot of  $\log (x/m)$  versus  $\log p$  in a Freundlich adsorption isotherm, which of the following statements is correct? (k and n are constants) [JEE M 2016]
  - (a) Only 1/n appears as the slope.
  - (b)  $\log(1/n)$  appears as the intercept.
  - (c) Both k and 1/n appear in the slope term.
  - (d) 1/n appears as the intercept.

- **12.** The Tyndall effect is observed only when following conditions are satisfied: [JEE M 2017]
  - The diameter of the dispersed particles is much smaller than the wavelength of the light used.
  - (ii) The diameter of the dispersed particle is not much smaller than the wavelength of the light used.
  - (iii) The refractive indices of the dispersed phase and dispersion medium are almost similar in magnitude.
  - (iv) The refractive indices of the dispersed phase and dispersion medium differ greatly in magnitude.
  - (a) (i) and (iv)
- (b) (ii) and (iv)

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- (c) (i) and (iii)
- (d) (ii) and (iii)

| Answer Key |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |  |  |  |
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| 1          | 2   | 3   | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8   | 9   | 10  | 11  | 12  |  |  |  |
| <b>(b)</b> | (a) | (d) | (a) | (b) | (a) | (c) | (c) | (d) | (c) | (a) | (b) |  |  |  |

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1. **(b)** It is zero order reaction

[ NOTE Adsorption of gas on metal surface is of zero order]

- **2.** (a) As adsorption is an exothermic process.
  - :. Rise in temperature will decrease adsorption (according to Le-chatelier principle).
- 3. (d) Enzymes are very specific biological catalysts possessing well defined active sites
- 4. (a) Particle size of colloidal particle =  $1 \text{m} \mu$  to  $100 \text{m} \mu$

(suppose 10 mµ)

$$V_{c} = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^{3} = V_{c} = \frac{4}{3}\pi (10)^{3}$$

Particle size of true solution particle =  $1 \text{m}\mu$ 

$$Vs = \frac{4}{3}\pi(1)^3$$
 hence now  $\frac{Vc}{Vs} = 10^3$ 

- 5. (b) When oppositely charged sols are mixed their charges are neutralised. Both sols may be partially or completely precipitated.
- 6. (a) According to Langmuir's Model of adsorption of a gas on a soild surface the mass of gas adsorbed(x) per gram of the adsorbent (m) is directly proportional to the pressure of the gas (p) at constant temperature i.e.

$$\frac{x}{m} \propto p$$

7. (c) For a protective colloid  $\mu$  lesser the value of gold number better is the protective power.

Thus the correct order of protective power of A, B, C and D is

 $\Rightarrow$  (A) < (C) < (B) < (D) Gold number 0.50 0.10 0.01 0.005 Hence (c) is the correct answer

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- 8. (c) Adsorption is an exothermic process, hence ΔH will always be negative
- **9. (d)** The Freundlich adsorption isotherm is mathematically represented as

$$\frac{x}{m} = kP^{1/n}$$

at high pressure 1/n = 0. Hence,  $x / m \propto p^{\circ}$ 

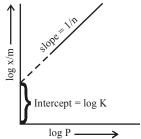
at low pressure 1/n = 1 Hence,  $x/m \propto P'$ 

10. (c) According to Hardy Schulze rule, greater the charge on cation, greater is its coagulating power for negatively charged sol ( $As_2S_3$ ), hence the correct order of coagulating power:  $Na^+ < Ba^{2+} < Al^{3+}$ 

11. (a) According to Freundlich adsorption isotherm

$$\log \frac{x}{m} = \log K + \frac{1}{n} \log P$$

Thus if a graph is plotted between log(x/m) and log P, a straight line will be obtained



The slope of the line is equal to 1/n and the intercept on  $\log x/m$  axis will correspond to  $\log K$ .

12. (b)