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BMS College of Engineering, Bangalore-560019

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Course: Engineering Chemistry

Course Code: 14CY11CCHY

Duration: 3 hrs

Max Marks: 100

Date: 12.01.2017

Instructions: 1. Answer any five full questions choosing one from each unit.

UNIT 1

- 1 a) Calculate temporary and permanent hardness of a sample of water containing $\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2=72.54\text{mg/L}$, $\text{Ca}(\text{HCO}_3)_2=161.98\text{mg/L}$, $\text{MgCl}_2=95.65\text{mg/L}$ and $\text{CaSO}_4=136.73\text{mg/L}$ (Given molecular weight of $\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2=146$, $\text{Ca}(\text{HCO}_3)_2=162$, $\text{MgCl}_2=95$ and $\text{CaSO}_4=136$) 4
- b) What is saline water? With a neat diagram explain desalination by electrodialysis 6
- c) Describe experimental determination of alkali metals in water by flame photometric method 6
- d) Justify the following: 4
 - (i) COD values are usually higher than BOD values
 - (ii) Nanocrystalline TiO_2 is more effective and efficient than bulk TiO_2 in waste water treatment

UNIT 2

- 2 a) What are secondary reference electrodes? Explain the construction and working Ag-AgCl electrode 6
- b) Explain the following battery characteristics: (i) EMF and (ii) cycle life 4
- c) Discuss the construction and working of Li-MnO₂ battery. Justify the need of using non-aqueous electrolytes in this battery 5
- d) Explain the construction and working of acid catalyzed CH₃OH-O₂ fuel cell with the cell reactions involved 5

UNIT 3

- 3 a) Describe with a neat diagram, the determination of calorific value of a solid fuel using bomb calorimeter 6
- b) What is biodiesel? With the help of chemical reactions show how transesterification can be used to produce biodiesel? 5
- c) What is meant by reforming of petrol? By taking suitable examples, narrate four chemical reactions involved in reformation process 5

- d) Describe Czochralski's crystal pulling technique 4
- OR**

- 4 a) When 0.95 g of benzoic acid (C_6H_5COOH) was subjected to complete combustion in bomb calorimeter, the temperature of surrounding water increased from $25.2^{\circ}C$ to $27.7^{\circ}C$. The weight of water taken and water equivalent of bomb calorimeter were 1.9 kg and 0.450 kg respectively. Calculate GCV and NCV of benzoic acid. (Given: Specific heat of water is $4.186 \text{ kJ/kg}^{\circ}C$ and Latent heat of steam is 2457.18 kJ/kg) 4
- b) What is the significance of petroleum cracking? Explain fluidized bed catalytic cracking with a neat diagram 6
- c) Define knocking in petrol engines. Explain the probable mechanism of knocking in chemical terms with reactions. 6
- d) List any two physical and two chemical properties of silicon relevant to photovoltaic application 4

UNIT 4

- 5 a) Define corrosion. Explain corrosion of iron based on electrochemical theory of corrosion 6
- b) What is meant by cathodic protection? Explain sacrificial anode method of corrosion control 5
- c) Discuss the significance of decomposition potential and polarization in electroplating 4
- d) Explain electroless plating of copper on PCB with relevant reactions 5

OR

- 6 a) With a neat diagram indicating anodic and cathodic regions and respective reactions, explain differential aeration corrosion, 6
- b) Discuss the effect of (i) relative anodic & cathodic areas and (ii) pH on the rate of corrosion 4
- c) Account for the following : 4
- (i) Aluminium stops corroding whereas iron continues to corrode in air
- (ii) During chromium plating, chromium anodes are not used
- d) Explain electroplating of gold with reactions involved 6

UNIT 5

- 7 a) Write the structure of Ziegler-Natta catalyst and explain the mechanism of co-ordination polymerization of ethylene to polyethylene 6
- b) Differentiate solution polymerization from emulsion polymerization technique 4
- c) What are polymer composites? How are they produced? How do you account for their extraordinary properties? 5
- d) What are conducting polymers? Write the structure and any two applications of conducting polyaniline 5
