

Chemistry Solutions

DI01000071 – Winter 2024

Semester 1 Study Material

Detailed Solutions and Explanations

Question 1 [14 marks]

Fill in the blanks using appropriate choice from the given options:

Solution

| Question | Answer | Explanation |
|----------|--------------------------------------|---|
| (1) | [Ar]4s ¹ 3d ¹⁰ | Cu has 29 electrons, exception to Aufbau rule |
| (2) | 14 | pH + pOH = 14 at 25 |
| (3) | cathode | Pure copper deposits at negative electrode |
| (4) | Cu | Copper forms protective oxide layer |
| (5) | semi-solid | Peat is partially decomposed organic matter |
| (6) | Dulong | Dulong's formula calculates calorific value |
| (7) | Lignite | Lignite has highest moisture (35-75%) |
| (8) | Poise | SI unit of dynamic viscosity |
| (9) | High | High flash point prevents ignition |
| (10) | Emulsion | Oil-water mixture forms emulsion |
| (11) | Bakelite | Phenol formaldehyde = Bakelite |
| (12) | S | Sulfur used for vulcanization |
| (13) | PHBV | PHBV is biodegradable polymer |
| (14) | volt | EMF measured in volts |

Mnemonic

“Chemical Copper Creates Beautiful Properties” (for remembering key concepts)

Question 2(A) [6 marks]

0.0.1 Question 2(A)(1) [3 marks]

List the three importance of pH in various fields.

Solution

| Field | Importance | Application |
|-------------|----------------------|---|
| Medicine | Blood pH maintenance | Normal pH 7.35-7.45 for proper body function |
| Agriculture | Soil pH optimization | pH 6-7 ideal for crop growth and nutrient absorption |
| Industry | Quality control | pH affects product quality in food, textiles, pharmaceuticals |

Mnemonic

“Medical Agriculture Industry” (MAI)

0.0.2 Question 2(A)(2) [3 marks]

Define: Buffer solutions, Half-cell, Faraday's first law of electrolysis.

Solution

- **Buffer solutions:** Solutions that resist changes in pH when small amounts of acid or base are added
- **Half-cell:** Single electrode immersed in its ionic solution, represents oxidation or reduction reaction
- **Faraday's first law:** Amount of substance deposited/liberated at electrode is directly proportional to quantity of electricity passed

Mnemonic

"Buffers Help Faraday" (BHF)

0.0.3 Question 2(A)(3) [3 marks]

State the factors affecting the rate of corrosion.

Solution

| Factor | Effect | Description |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Metal purity | Higher purity = Less corrosion | Impurities create galvanic cells |
| Temperature | Higher temp = Faster corrosion | Increases reaction rate |
| Humidity | Higher humidity = More corrosion | Promotes electrochemical reactions |

Mnemonic

"Pure Temperature Humidity" (PTH)

Question 2(B) [8 marks]

0.0.4 Question 2(B)(1) [4 marks]

Compare between orbits and orbitals (four points each).

Solution

| Aspect | Orbits | Orbitals |
|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Definition | Fixed circular paths | 3D probability regions |
| Shape | Circular/elliptical | s,p,d,f shapes |
| Energy | Definite energy levels | Energy ranges |
| Electron location | Exact position | Probability of finding |

Diagram:

Orbits (Bohr Model)

e{-}

Orbitals (Quantum Model)

}

+

Mnemonic

“Definite Shape Energy Location” (DSEL)

0.0.5 Question 2(B)(2) [4 marks]

Classify fuels on the basis of its sources and physical states with one example of each.

Solution

| Classification | Type | Example | Description |
|-----------------------|------------|---------|---------------------|
| Source-based | Natural | Coal | Formed naturally |
| | Artificial | Petrol | Man-made |
| Physical state | Solid | Wood | Solid at room temp |
| | Liquid | Diesel | Liquid at room temp |
| | Gaseous | LPG | Gas at room temp |

Mnemonic

“Natural Artificial, Solid Liquid Gas” (NASLG)

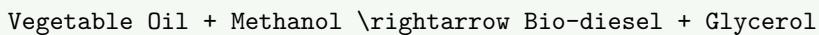
0.0.6 Question 2(B)(3) [4 marks]

Explain bio-diesel with four important points.

Solution

- Source:** Made from vegetable oils, animal fats, or waste cooking oil
- Process:** Produced by transesterification reaction with methanol/ethanol
- Properties:** Biodegradable, non-toxic, renewable fuel source
- Applications:** Used in diesel engines, reduces emissions by 75%

Chemical Reaction:



Mnemonic

“Source Process Properties Applications” (SPPA)

Question 3(A) [6 marks]

0.0.7 Question 3(A)(1) [3 marks]

Explain solute, solvent and solution with the help of example.

Solution

| Component | Definition | Example |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Solute | Substance being dissolved | Salt (NaCl) |
| Solvent | Substance doing the dissolving | Water (H_2O) |
| Solution | Homogeneous mixture | Salt water |

Example: Sugar + Water = Sugar solution

- Sugar = Solute, Water = Solvent, Sugar water = Solution

Mnemonic

“Solute Solvent Solution” (SSS)

0.0.8 Question 3(A)(2) [3 marks]

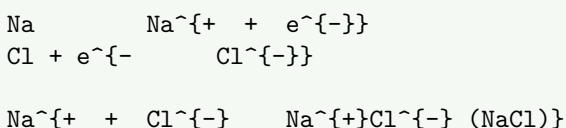
Explain the formation of Electrovalent bond in NaCl.

Solution

Process:

- Step 1: Na loses 1 electron $\rightarrow Na^+(cation)$
- Step 2: Cl gains 1 electron $\rightarrow Cl^-(anion)$
- Step 3: Electrostatic attraction between Na^+ and Cl^-

Diagram:



Mnemonic

“Sodium Loses, Chlorine Gains, Attraction Forms” (SLCGAF)

0.0.9 Question 3(A)(3) [3 marks]

Explain Octane number for gasoline.

Solution

| Aspect | Description |
|-------------------|--|
| Definition | Measure of fuel's resistance to knocking |
| Scale | 0-100, higher = better anti-knock properties |
| Standard | n-heptane = 0, iso-octane = 100 |

Applications: High octane fuel prevents engine knocking, improves performance

Mnemonic

“Octane Opposes Knocking” (OOK)

Question 3(B) [8 marks]

0.0.10 Question 3(B)(1) [4 marks]

Explain electrorefining of impure Cu with chemical equations and a labeled diagram.

Solution

Process:

- **Anode:** Impure copper dissolves
- **Cathode:** Pure copper deposits
- **Electrolyte:** $CuSO_4$ solution

Chemical Equations:

- At Anode: $Cu \rightarrow Cu^{2+} + 2e^-$
- At Cathode: $Cu^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Cu$

Diagram:

Battery

{- +}

Cathode Anode
(Pure Cu) (Impure Cu)

CuSO_4 }

Solution

Mnemonic

“Anode Dissolves, Cathode Deposits” (ADCD)

0.0.11 Question 3(B)(2) [4 marks]

Explain preparation of ethene with chemical equation. Also write its two properties and two uses.

Solution

Preparation: $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH} \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (*Dehydration of ethanol*)

Properties:

- **Physical:** Colorless gas, sweet smell
- **Chemical:** Unsaturated, undergoes addition reactions

Uses:

- **Industrial:** Manufacturing polyethylene
- **Agricultural:** Plant hormone for fruit ripening

Mnemonic

“Preparation Properties Uses” (PPU)

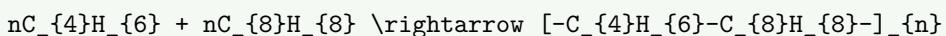
0.0.12 Question 3(B)(3) [4 marks]

Explain preparation of Buna-S rubber with chemical equation. Also write its two properties and two uses.

Solution

Preparation: Butadiene + Styrene \rightarrow *Buna – S rubber* (*Copolymerization*)

Chemical Equation:



Properties:

- **Mechanical:** Good abrasion resistance
- **Chemical:** Oil and fuel resistant

Uses:

- **Automotive:** Tire manufacturing
- **Industrial:** Conveyor belts, hoses

Mnemonic

“Butadiene Styrene Makes Strong Rubber” (BSMSR)

Question 4(A) [6 marks]

0.0.13 Question 4(A)(1) [3 marks]

Explain metal cladding for the prevention of corrosion of metals.

Solution

| Aspect | Description |
|-----------------|---|
| Process | Coating base metal with corrosion-resistant metal |
| Methods | Hot dipping, electroplating, roll bonding |
| Examples | Galvanized iron (Zn on Fe), Tin plating |

Mechanism: Protective layer prevents oxygen/moisture contact with base metal

Mnemonic

“Coating Protects Metal” (CPM)

0.0.14 Question 4(A)(2) [3 marks]

Explain waterline corrosion with chemical equations and labeled diagram.

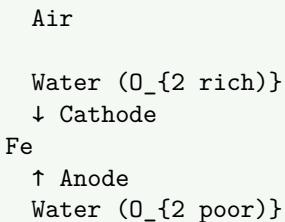
Solution

Process: Differential aeration causes corrosion at water-air interface

Chemical Equations:

- Anode: $\text{Fe} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{2+} + 2e^-$
- Cathode: $\text{O}_2 + 4\text{H}^+ + 4e^- \rightarrow 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Diagram:



Mnemonic

“Water Air Interface Corrodes” (WAIC)

0.0.15 Question 4(A)(3) [3 marks]

Explain the working principle of solar cells.

Solution

| Component | Function |
|----------------------------|--|
| Photovoltaic effect | Light energy converts to electrical energy |
| p-n junction | Creates electric field for charge separation |
| Electron-hole pairs | Generated when photons hit semiconductor |

Process: Light \rightarrow Electronexcitation \rightarrow Currentflow \rightarrow Electricalenergy

Mnemonic

“Photo Voltaic Junction Creates Current” (PVJCC)

Question 4(B) [8 marks]

0.0.16 Question 4(B)(1) [4 marks]

Demonstrate the function of boundary lubrication with diagram.

Solution

Function: Thin molecular layer adheres to metal surfaces, prevents direct contact

Mechanism:

- **Formation:** Lubricant molecules orient on metal surface
- **Protection:** Reduces friction and wear between surfaces
- **Load bearing:** Supports load when fluid film breaks down

Diagram:

Moving Surface

Boundary layer

Stationary Surface

Mnemonic

“Boundary Barriers Prevent Metal Contact” (BBPMC)

0.0.17 Question 4(B)(2) [4 marks]

Explain how viscosity is measured through redwood viscometer with labelled diagram.

Solution

Principle: Time taken for fixed volume of oil to flow through standard orifice

Procedure:

- **Setup:** Fill oil chamber, heat to required temperature
- **Measurement:** Record time for 50ml oil flow
- **Calculation:** Viscosity = Time \times Constant

Diagram:

Oil Bath

Oil
Chamber

Orifice

50ml
Flask

Mnemonic

“Redwood Records Time” (RRT)

0.0.18 Question 4(B)(3) [4 marks]

Define: Semiconductor, Insulating material, Elastomer, Addition polymerization.

Solution

| Term | Definition |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Semiconductor | Material with electrical conductivity between conductor and insulator |
| Insulating material | Material that resists flow of electric current |
| Elastomer | Polymer with elastic properties, can stretch and return to original shape |
| Addition polymerization | Monomers join without elimination of small molecules |

Examples: Si (semiconductor), Rubber (insulator), Rubber (elastomer), Polyethylene (addition)

Mnemonic

“Semi Insulating Elastic Addition” (SIEA)

Question 5(A) [6 marks]

0.0.19 Question 5(A)(1) [3 marks]

Solve: Calculate the pH and pOH of 0.004 M HCl aqueous solution. ($\log 4 = 0.6021$)

Solution

Given: $[HCl] = 0.004 \text{ M} = 4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$

Solution:

- HCl is strong acid, completely ionizes
 $H^+ = [HCl] = 4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$
- $pH = -\log[H^+] = -\log(4 \times 10^{-3})$
- $pH = -\log 4 - \log 10^{-3} = -0.6021 + 3 = 2.398$
- $pOH = 14 - pH = 14 - 2.398 = 11.602$

Solution

$pH = 2.40$, $pOH = 11.60$

Mnemonic

“Strong Acid, Simple Calculation” (SASC)

0.0.20 Question 5(A)(2) [3 marks]

Describe extrinsic semiconductors and its types with examples.

Solution

| Type | Dopant | Majority Carriers | Example |
|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------|---------|
| n-type | Donor atoms (Group V) | Electrons | Si + P |
| p-type | Acceptor atoms (Group III) | Holes | Si + B |

Properties:

- **n-type:** Extra electrons increase conductivity
- **p-type:** Electron deficiency creates positive holes

Mnemonic

“n-negative electrons, p-positive holes” (nnep)

0.0.21 Question 5(A)(3) [3 marks]

Distinguish between thermoplastic polymers and thermosetting polymer (Four points of each)

Solution

| Property | Thermoplastic | Thermosetting |
|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Structure | Linear/branched chains | Cross-linked network |
| Heat effect | Softens on heating | Does not soften |
| Reversibility | Reversible process | Irreversible process |
| Examples | PVC, PE, PS | Bakelite, Epoxy |

Mnemonic

“Thermo-plastic = Reversible, Thermo-setting = Permanent” (TPRTSP)

Question 5(B) [8 marks]

0.0.22 Question 5(B)(1) [4 marks]

Describe hydrogen bond and its types with examples.

Solution

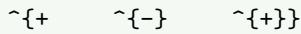
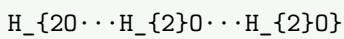
Definition: Weak electrostatic attraction between hydrogen and electronegative atoms
Types:

| Type | Description | Example |
|----------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Intermolecular | Between different molecules | H_2O-H_2O |
| Intramolecular | Within same molecule | o-nitrophenol |

Characteristics:

- **Strength:** 5-40 kJ/mol
- **Requirements:** H bonded to F, O, N

Diagram:



Mnemonic

“Hydrogen Needs FON friends” (Fluorine, Oxygen, Nitrogen)

0.0.23 Question 5(B)(2) [4 marks]

Differentiate between Primary cell and Secondary cell. (Four points)

Solution

| Aspect | Primary Cell | Secondary Cell |
|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Rechargeability | Non-rechargeable | Rechargeable |
| Reaction | Irreversible | Reversible |
| Cost | Low initial cost | High initial cost |
| Examples | Dry cell, alkaline | Lead-acid, Li-ion |

Applications:

- **Primary:** Remote controls, flashlights
- **Secondary:** Cars, phones, laptops

Mnemonic

“Primary = Permanent, Secondary = Reversible” (PPSR)

0.0.24 Question 5(B)(3) [4 marks]

Describe construction, working and chemical equations of lead-acid storage cell with a labelled diagram.

Solution

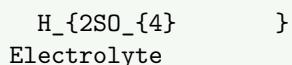
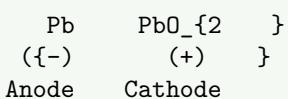
Construction:

- **Anode:** Lead (Pb)
- **Cathode:** Lead dioxide (PbO_2)
- **Electrolyte:** Dilute H_2SO_4

Chemical Equations:

- **Discharge:** $Pb + PbO_2 + 2H_2SO_4 \rightarrow 2PbSO_4 + 2H_2O$
- **Charge:** $2PbSO_4 + 2H_2O \rightarrow Pb + PbO_2 + 2H_2SO_4$

Diagram:



Working: Chemical energy converts to electrical energy during discharge

Mnemonic

“Lead Acid Storage = Reversible Energy” (LASRE)