

ENGINEERING CHEMISTRY SYLLABUS

Module 1: Chemical Thermodynamics and Kinetics

- Laws of Thermodynamics
 - Entropy change (selected processes)
 - Spontaneity of a chemical reaction
 - Gibbs free energy
 - Heat transfer
- Kinetics
 - Concept of activation energy and energy barrier
 - Arrhenius equation
 - Effect of catalysts
 - Homogeneous
 - Heterogeneous
 - Enzyme catalysis
 - Michaelis-Menten Mechanism

Module 2: Metal Complexes and Organometallics

- Inorganic Complexes
 - Structure
 - Bonding
 - Applications
- Organometallics
 - Introduction
 - Stability
 - Structure
 - Applications of:
 - Metal carbonyls
 - Ferrocene
 - Grignard reagents
- Metals in Biology

- Haemoglobin
- Chlorophyll
 - Structure
 - Properties

Module 3: Organic Intermediates and Reaction Transformations

- Organic Intermediates
 - Stability and structure of:
 - Carbocations
 - Carbanions
 - Radicals
- Aromatics and Heterocycles
 - Aromaticity
 - Heterocycles (3, 4, 5, 6 membered and fused systems)
- Organic Transformations
 - Making useful drugs for specific disease targets (two examples)
 - Dyes (addition, elimination, substitution, and cross-coupling reactions)

Module 4: Energy Devices

- Electrochemical and Electrolytic Cells
 - Electrode materials (e.g., semiconductors)
 - Electrode-electrolyte interface
- Chemistry of Energy Storage
 - Li-ion secondary batteries
 - Supercapacitors
- Fuel Cells
 - H₂-O₂ Fuel Cells
 - Solid Oxide Fuel Cells (SOFC)
- Solar Cells
 - Photovoltaic Cells (silicon-based)
 - Photoelectrochemical Cells
 - Dye-Sensitized Cells

Module 5: Functional Materials

- Oxides
 - AB, AB₂, ABO₃ types (specific examples)
- Composites
 - Types
 - Properties
- Polymers
 - Thermosetting and thermoplastic polymers
 - Synthesis and application (e.g., TEFLON, BAKELITE)
- Conducting Polymers
 - Polyacetylene
 - Effect of doping
- Chemistry of Display Devices
 - Specific to OLEDs
- Nanomaterials
 - Introduction
 - Bulk vs Nano (quantum dots)
 - Top-down and bottom-up approaches for synthesis
 - Properties of Nano Au

Module 6: Spectroscopic, Diffraction, and Microscopic Techniques

- Fundamental Concepts
 - Spectroscopic and instrumental techniques
- Principle and Applications
 - UV-Visible Spectroscopy
 - X-Ray Diffraction (XRD) techniques
 - Numerical problems
- Overview of Various Techniques
 - Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy (AAS)
 - Infrared Spectroscopy (IR)
 - Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR)
 - Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM)

- Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM)

Module 7: Industrial Applications

- Water Purification Methods
 - Zeolites
 - Ion-exchange resins
 - Reverse osmosis
- Fuels and Combustion
 - Low Calorific Value (LCV)
 - High Calorific Value (HCV)
 - Bomb calorimeter (numerical problems)
 - Anti-knocking agents
- Protective Coatings for Corrosion Control
 - Cathodic and anodic protection
 - Physical Vapor Deposition (PVD) technique
- Chemical Sensors for Environmental Monitoring
 - Gas sensors
- Overview of Computational Methodologies
 - Energy minimization
 - Conformational analysis

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