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# First Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2014/Jan.2015 Engineering Chemistry

Time: 3 hrs. Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting atleast ONE question from each part.

#### PART - 1

- 1 a. Derive Nernst's equation for single electrode potential. (05 Marks)
  - b. Describe the construction and working of calomel electrode. (05 Marks)
  - c. What are batteries? Explain the following battery characteristics:
    - i) Capacity ii) Cycle life. (05 Marks)
  - d. Describe the construction and working of nickel metal hydride battery. (05 Marks)
- 2 a. What are Reference electrodes? Explain the determination of electrode potential of an unknown electrode using calomel electrode. (05 Marks)
  - b. What are concentration cells? The emf of the cell  $Ag \mid AgNO_3 (0.0083M) \parallel AgNO_3 (x M) \mid Ag$  was found to be 0.074V at 298K. Calculate the value of x and write cell reaction.
  - c. Define fuel cell. Explain the construction and working of methanol oxygen fuel cell.
  - d. Explain the construction and working of lithium ion battery. (05 Marks)
    (05 Marks)

#### PART - 2

- 3 a. Explain the electrochemical theory of corrosion by taking iron as an example. (05 Marks)
- b. What is Corrosion? Explain the following factors affecting the rate of corrosion:
  - i) Nature of corrosion product ii) Anodic and Cathodic areas . (05 Marks)
  - c. What is Electro less plating? Write the difference between electroplating and electroless plating.
     d. Discuss the electroplating of gold using Acidic Cyanide bath.
     (05 Marks)
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- 4 a. What is Anodising? Explain the anodizing of aluminium. (05 Marks)
  - b. What is Cathodic protection? Explain sacrificial anodic method and impressed current method.

    (05 Marks)
  - c. Explain the effect of any two factors on the nature of electro deposit. (05 Marks)
  - d. Explain the process of electroless plating of copper with relevant reactions. (05 Marks)

### PART - 3

- 5 a. What is Cracking? Explain the fluidized catalytic cracking process. (05 Marks)
  - b. On burning  $0.76 \times 10^{-3}$ kg of a solid fuel in a bomb calorimeter, the temperature of 2.5kg of water is increased from 25°C to 28°C. The water equivalent of calorimeter and latent heat of steam are 0.486kg and 2457 kJ/kg respectively. Calculate its GCV and NCV. Given Sp. Heat = 4.187 kJ / kg / °C and % of H<sub>2</sub> is 2.5. (05 Marks)
  - c. Discuss the production of solar grade silicon by Union Carbide process. (05 Marks)
  - d. What are the advantages and disadvantages of PV cells? (05 Marks)

a. Explain the determination of calorific value of a solid fuel using bomb calorimeter. 6

(05 Marks)

- b. Define the following terms:
  - i) Chemical fuel
    - ii) Calorific value
- iii) Biodiesel
- Octane number (05 Marks)

v) Reforming of petrol.

(05 Marks)

c. Discuss the construction and working of a PV – cell.

- d. What is doping? Discuss the purification of silicon of zone refining.
- (05 Marks)

PART-4

- a. Explain the free radical mechanism of addition polymerization by taking Vinyl chloride as a 7 monomer. (05 Marks)
  - b. What are adhesives? Explain the synthesis and applications of epoxy resin.

(05 Marks)

- c. Write the synthesis and applications of the following polymers:
  - i) Polymethyl methacrylate ii) Teflon.

(05 Marks)

- d. What are polymer composites? Explain the preparation and uses of Kevlar fiber. (05 Marks)
- a. Calculate the number average and weight average molecular mass of a polymer with the following composition:

$$\left\{ \text{CH}_2 - \text{CH} \right\}_{200}^{\text{C}\ell} \text{ is } 40\% ; \left\{ \text{CH}_2 - \text{CH} \right\}_{400}^{\text{C}\ell} \text{ is } 30\% ; \right\}$$

is 30%. Given At. Wt. of C = 12, Atomic weight of H = 1; and Atomic 1500

weight of  $C\ell = 35.5$ .

(05 Marks)

- b. What is glass transition temperature? How is it affected by
  - i) Intermolecular forces
- ii) Flexibility.

(05 Marks)

c. What is Conducting polymer? Explain the mechanism of conduction in polyaniline

(05 Marks)

- d. Give the synthesis and uses of the following polymers:
  - i) Silicon rubber
- ii) polycarbonates.

(05 Marks)

PART - 5

- a. What is boiler feed water? Explain the scale and sludge formation in boiler. Mention their ill effects. (05 Marks)
  - b. What is desalination? Explain the desalination of saline water by electro dialysis. (05 Marks)
  - c. What are nano materials? Explain the synthesis of nano material by Sol gel method.
    - (05 Marks)

d. Write a note on carbon nano tubes.

- (05 Marks)
- a. Define COD. Calculate the COD of the effluent sample when 25cm3 of the effluent sample 10 requires 8.5cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.001 N K<sub>2</sub> Cr<sub>2</sub> O<sub>7</sub> solution for complete oxidation. (05 Marks)
  - b. Discuss in detail the softening of water by ion exchange process.

(05 Marks)

- c. Explain the synthesis of nanomaterials by hydro thermal process.
- (05 Marks)
- d. What are Fullerences? Explain the synthesis and uses of fullerenes.
- (05 Marks)

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