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**MARKS** 140

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**NUMBER OF PAGES:** 11 PAGES, INCLUDING 2 ANNEXURES

**INSTRUCTIONS:**      **ANSWER SECTION A (THE MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS) AND SECTION B (LONG QUESTIONS) IN SEPARATE ANSWER SCRIPTS.**

**FOR SECTION A, CLEARLY SHADE THE LETTER CORRESPONDING TO THE ANSWER OF CHOICE.**

**CONSULT THE DATA SHEET AND THE PERIODIC TABLE FOR ALL SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

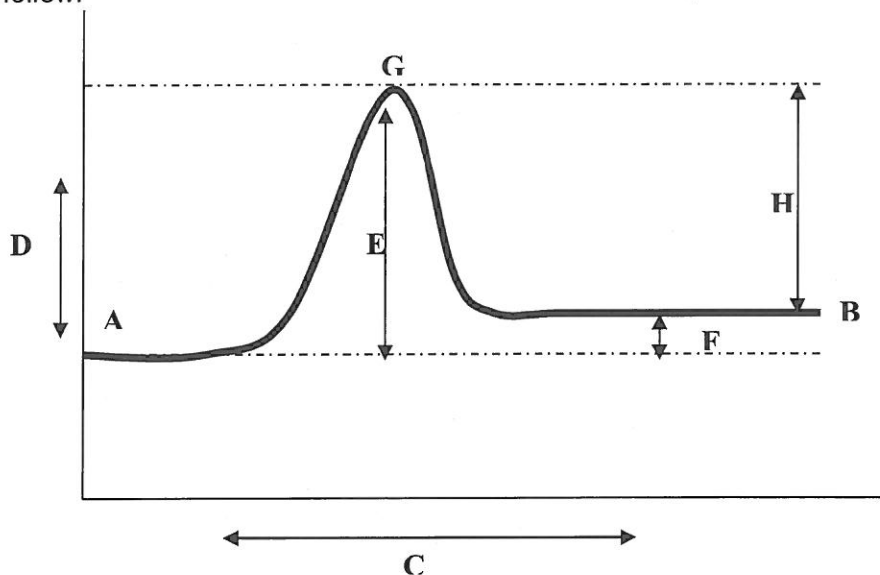
**NON-PROGRAMMABLE CALCULATORS ARE PERMITTED (ONLY ONE PER STUDENT).  
GIVE ALL NUMERICAL ANSWERS TO THE CORRECT NUMBER OF SIGNIFICANT FIGURES AND WITH APPROPRIATE UNITS.**

**REQUIREMENTS:**    **2 ANSWER SCRIPT (INCLUDING MULTIPLE CHOICE).**

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**SECTION A**

1. Consider the diagram below and then use it to answer the questions that follow:



The labels E, F and G in the diagram above are best described as:

- A. Activation energy of the reverse reaction, enthalpy of the forward reaction and activated complex
- B. Enthalpy of the reverse reaction, activation energy of the forward reaction, and intermediate
- C. Activation energy of the forward reaction, enthalpy of the forward reaction and deactivated complex
- D. Enthalpy of the forward reaction, activation energy of the reverse reaction, and activated intermediate
- E. Activation energy of the forward reaction, enthalpy of the forward reaction and activated complex
2. If the reaction represented by the diagram above were conducted at temperatures  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  (where  $T_1 < T_2$ ), then the Boltzmann distribution for the reaction conducted at temperature  $T_2$  would reflect:
- A. a curve with the same area, but higher peak height than for  $T_1$
- B. a curve with higher area than, but the same activation energy as  $T_1$
- C. a curve with lower area and lower activation energy than at  $T_1$
- D. a curve with the same area, but lower peak height than for  $T_1$
- E. a curve with the same area, but higher activation energy than at  $T_1$

3. Each of the following is a factor which affects the rate that a reaction occurs except:

A. Particle size  
B. Total pressure  
C. Ambient temperature  
D. Reactant concentration  
E. Enthalpy

4. The decomposition of  $\text{NO}_2$  is a second order process:



The rate constant for the decomposition at  $300^\circ\text{C}$  is  $0.543 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ . Suppose we start with  $0.0250 \text{ mol}$  of  $\text{NO}_2$  in a volume of  $500 \text{ mL}$ , how many moles of  $\text{NO}_2$  will remain after 1 minute and 45 seconds?

A.  $0.0103 \text{ mol}$   
B.  $0.0129 \text{ mol}$   
C.  $0.00649 \text{ mol}$   
D.  $0.0148 \text{ mol}$   
E.  $0.00740 \text{ mol}$

5. How many seconds will it take for the quantity of  $\text{NO}_2$  for the reaction in **Question 4** to drop to  $0.0150 \text{ mol}$ ?

A. 14.5 seconds  
B. 16.3 seconds  
C. 8.16 seconds  
D. 29.4 seconds  
E. 24.6 seconds

6. What is the half-life of  $\text{NO}_2$  for the reaction in **Question 4**?

A. 128 seconds  
B. 123 seconds  
C. 92.0 seconds  
D. 36.8 seconds  
E. 184 seconds

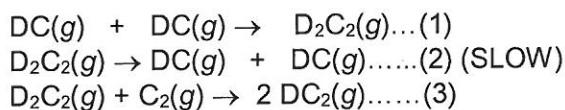
7. A certain first-order reaction has a rate constant of  $2.520 \times 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1}$  at  $189.7^\circ\text{C}$ . The activation energy for the reaction is  $160.1 \text{ kJ. mol}^{-1}$ . Determine the rate constant at  $230.3^\circ\text{C}$ . [ $R = 8.31451 \text{ J.K}^{-1}.\text{mol}^{-1}$ ].

A.  $2.528 \times 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1}$   
B.  $7.218 \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$   
C.  $8.798 \times 10^{-7} \text{ s}^{-1}$   
D.  $2.512 \times 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1}$   
E.  $4.509 \times 10^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$

8. Which one of the following statements is **correct**?
- A. A catalyst that is present in the same phase as the reacting molecules is a heterogeneous catalyst.
  - B. Elementary steps involving the simultaneous collision of two molecules are bimolecular.
  - C. Absorption refers to the binding of molecules to a surface.
  - D. Because the fast step limits the overall reaction rate, it is called the rate-determining step.
  - E. A balanced chemical equation details the individual steps that occur in the course of a reaction.

9. Given the following reaction:  $2 \text{DC}(g) + \text{C}_2(g) \rightarrow 2 \text{DC}_2(g)$

If the mechanism below was proposed, then this implies that:



- A. the formation of  $\text{DC}(g)$  is the rate determining step
- B. the rate of formation of  $\text{DC}_2(g)$  is slower than that of  $\text{DC}(g)$
- C. the intermediate is  $\text{DC}(g)$
- D. the rate of formation of  $\text{D}_2\text{C}_2(g)$  is less than that of  $\text{DC}(g)$
- E. the overall reaction order is three

10. Propanone can be made from propan-2-ol.



In an experiment, 6.00 moles of  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8\text{O}(g)$ , 0.150 mole of  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{O}(g)$  and 0.100 mole of  $\text{H}_2(g)$  are placed in a  $1.00 \text{ dm}^3$  container and allowed to establish equilibrium.

Which of the following change(s) will occur as the system proceeds towards equilibrium?

- A.  $[\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{O}(g)]$  increases while  $[\text{H}_2(g)]$  decreases.
- B.  $[\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{O}(g)]$  and  $[\text{H}_2(g)]$  both increase.
- C.  $[\text{C}_3\text{H}_8\text{O}(g)]$  and  $[\text{H}_2(g)]$  both increase.
- D.  $[\text{C}_3\text{H}_8\text{O}(g)]$  and  $[\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{O}(g)]$  both decrease.
- E. None of the above

11. Given the following reaction:  $A \rightarrow 2B$

Time (min):	[A] mol/L
0	0.200
5	0.140
10	0.0800
15	0.0200

What is the reaction rate (in mol/L.s) for the production of B?

- A.  $2.00 \times 10^{-4}$   
B.  $1.00 \times 10^{-4}$   
C.  $2.40 \times 10^{-2}$   
D.  $1.20 \times 10^{-2}$   
E.  $4.00 \times 10^{-4}$
12. Adding an ion common to a saturated solution of a sparingly soluble salt in water:
- A. has no effect on the solution  
B. reduces the quantity of the sparingly soluble salt dissolved in solution  
C. increases the solubility of the other ions of the sparingly soluble salt in solution  
D. increases the quantity of sparingly soluble salt in solution  
E. reduces the concentration of water in solution
13. Consider the following equilibria:
- $$\text{SO}_2(g) + \frac{1}{2} \text{O}_2(g) \rightleftharpoons \text{SO}_3(g) \quad K_1$$
- $$2\text{SO}_3(g) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{SO}_2(g) + \text{O}_2(g) \quad K_2$$
- Which one of the following is true?
- A.  $K_2 = K_1^2$   
B.  $K_2^2 = K_1$   
C.  $K_2 = K_1$   
D.  $K_2 = 1/K_1^2$   
E.  $K_2 = 1/K_1$
14. Calculate the pOH of a 0.135 M solution of ammonia, given that the  $K_b$  for ammonia is  $1.50 \times 10^{-5}$ .
- A. 2.85  
B. 11.2  
C. 8.98  
D. 5.02  
E. None of the above

15. Which of the following buffer compositions can withstand the greatest addition of a  $0.025 \text{ mol. dm}^{-3}$  solution of sodium hydroxide before collapsing?
- A.  $0.121 \text{ M H}_2\text{S}$  and  $0.121 \text{ M Ba(HS)}_2$
  - B.  $0.242 \text{ M H}_2\text{S}$  and  $0.121 \text{ M NaHS}$
  - C.  $0.242 \text{ M Ca(HS)}_2$  and  $0.121 \text{ M H}_2\text{S}$
  - D.  $0.121 \text{ M KHS}$  and  $0.121 \text{ M H}_2\text{S}$
  - E.  $0.242 \text{ M H}_2\text{S}$  and  $0.242 \text{ M Mg(HS)}_2$
16.  $10 \text{ g}$  of a sparingly soluble salt ( $\text{X}_3\text{Y}_2$ ) with a solubility constant of  $1.0 \times 10^{-16}$  is placed into  $1 \text{ L}$  of water. If the salt produces  $\text{X}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  and  $\text{Y}^{3-}(\text{aq})$  ions, then calculate its molar solubility.
- A.  $4.47 \times 10^{-9}$
  - B.  $4.08 \times 10^{-9}$
  - C.  $1.24 \times 10^{-3}$
  - D.  $2.47 \times 10^{-4}$
  - E. None of the above
17. Which transformation can take place at the cathode of an electrochemical cell?
- A.  $2\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) \rightarrow \text{O}_2(\text{g}) + 4\text{H}^+(\text{aq})$
  - B.  $\text{MnO}_2(\text{s}) + 4\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$
  - C.  $\text{Br}^-(\text{aq}) + 2\text{OH}^-(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{BrO}^-(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$
  - D.  $\text{ClO}_3^-(\text{aq}) + 2\text{OH}^-(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{ClO}_4^-(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$
  - E. None of the above
18. For any reaction at equilibrium it is always true to say that...
- A. the speed that products form is greater than the speed that reactants react
  - B. the speed that reactants react is greater than the speed that products form
  - C. the reaction rates for both directions are non-equivalent
  - D. the speed that both reactants react and products form are equivalent
  - E. None of the above
19. The two electrodes  $\text{Al}(\text{s})/\text{Al}^{3+}(\text{aq})$  ( $0.350 \text{ mol. dm}^{-3}$ ) and  $\text{Co}(\text{s})/\text{Co}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  ( $0.100 \text{ mol. dm}^{-3}$ ) were combined to produce a spontaneous electrochemical reaction. The cell potential for this reaction at  $25.00^\circ\text{C}$  is:
- A.  $+1.38 \text{ V}$
  - B.  $+1.36 \text{ V}$
  - C.  $-1.38 \text{ V}$
  - D.  $-1.36 \text{ V}$
  - E.  $-1.37 \text{ V}$

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20. One of the main reasons why the molar conductivity of a strong electrolyte decreases as its concentration increases is because:
- A. the electrophoretic effect increases as the concentration of the strong electrolyte increases
  - B. with less water there are less hydronium and hydroxide ions to conduct electricity
  - C. the fraction of ions formed in a solution of a strong electrolyte is directly proportional to its volume
  - D. the asymmetric effect on a solution of a strong electrolyte decreases as the volume of water decreases
  - E. the dissociation of a solution of a strong electrolyte is inversely proportional to its volume

[20 x 3 = 60]

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**SECTION B****QUESTION 1**

Consider the following equilibrium for which  $\Delta H = +26.38 \text{ kJ/mol}$ :



When 5.98 moles of each  $\text{SnBr}_2$  and  $\text{H}_2$  were placed into an evacuated  $21.5 \text{ dm}^3$  container at 758 K and the reaction reached equilibrium the pressure in the container was  $1.88 \times 10^4 \text{ torr}$ . A certain amount of moles of  $\text{H}_2$  was then carefully added to the mixture in the container and the reaction was allowed to reach equilibrium for the second time. The pressure in the container is found to be  $2.21 \times 10^4 \text{ torr}$  at the second equilibrium.

- 1.1 Calculate the **additional number of moles** of  $\text{H}_2$  that was introduced into the container at 758 K. (19)
- 1.2 Use the data provided in this question to predict what would happen if the **volume** of the container were **fixed** and the **temperature doubled**. Give all details. (5)

**[23]****QUESTION 2**

A buffer solution of pH of 9.50 contains **P** mol of a weak base and 0.100 mol of a salt of its conjugate acid. When  $100 \text{ cm}^3$  of a  $0.0600 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$  solution of hydrochloric acid was added to this buffer solution the pH changes by 0.200 pH units. Use this information to calculate the value of  $K_b$  for the weak base.

**[12]****QUESTION 3**

A mixture is first made of  $320 \text{ cm}^3$  of a  $0.0175 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$  solution of silver nitrate and **y**  $\text{cm}^3$  of a  $6.75 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$  solution of ammonia. Thereafter,  $440 \text{ cm}^3$  of a  $0.0148 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$  solution of sodium bromide is added to this mixture and the resulting solution is diluted to  $1.60 \text{ dm}^3$ . Calculate the value of **y** that *will just prevent the precipitation* of silver bromide.

**[14]**



**QUESTION 4**

An ore sample collected near the Zambezi river was treated so that the resulting 50.0 dm<sup>3</sup> solution contained 0.00120 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> of Ni<sup>2+</sup>(aq) ions and 0.0240 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> of Fe<sup>2+</sup>(aq) ions. The solution was kept saturated with an aqueous solution of 0.300 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>. The pH was then carefully adjusted to selectively precipitate the first metal ion (as a metal carbonate) from the second. The first precipitate was filtered off from the remaining solution, dried and reduced to its pure metal form. The pH of the remaining solution was then carefully adjusted for the second time until the entire concentration of the second metal ion, together with a trace concentration of the first metal ion, were co-precipitated as metal carbonates. This co-precipitate was also filtered off, dried and reduced to the metal form. Based upon this information and that in the data sheet, calculate:

- 4.1 The pH at which maximum separation of the two metal ions was achieved. (9)  
4.2 The mass % impurity of the metal that was obtained from the reduction of the last precipitate. (7)

**[15]****QUESTION 5**

- 5.1 Define or describe each of the following:

- 5.1.1 Bimolecular reaction. (3)  
5.1.2 Liquid junction. (3)  
5.1.3 Limiting molar conductivity. (3)

- 5.2 Balance the following reaction and construct an electrochemical cell that represents this reaction by using the correct cell notation and an appropriate junction:

Oxidation of Zn to ZnO<sub>2</sub><sup>2-</sup> with SbO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> to SbO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> (alkali medium) (14)

**[23]**

DATA

Avogadro's number:  $N = 6.02 \times 10^{23}$

$0^\circ\text{C} = 273.15 \text{ K}$

Standard pressure =  $1 \text{ atm} = 101.325 \text{ kPa} = 760 \text{ mmHg} = 760 \text{ torr} = 1.01325 \text{ bar}$

$R = 8.31451 \text{ L.kPa} \cdot \text{K}^{-1} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$   
 $= 8.31451 \text{ J.K}^{-1} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$   
 $= 8.31451 \times 10^{-2} \text{ L.bar} \cdot \text{K}^{-1} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$   
 $= 8.20578 \times 10^{-2} \text{ L.atm} \cdot \text{K}^{-1} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$   
 $= 62.364 \text{ L.torr} \cdot \text{K}^{-1} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$

$F = 9.6485 \times 10^4 \text{ C.mol}^{-1}$

$V = \text{J.C}^{-1}$

Equilibrium constants (T = 25.0°C)

$K_{\text{sp}}(\text{Silver bromide, AgBr}) = 5.30 \times 10^{-13}$

$K_{\text{f}}(\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2^+) = 1.70 \times 10^7$

$K_{\text{a1}}(\text{Carbonic acid, H}_2\text{CO}_3) = 4.30 \times 10^{-7}$

$K_{\text{a2}}(\text{Carbonic acid, H}_2\text{CO}_3) = 5.60 \times 10^{-11}$

$K_{\text{a}}(\text{Chlorous acid, HClO}_2) = 1.10 \times 10^{-2}$

$K_{\text{sp}}(\text{Iron(II) carbonate, FeCO}_3) = 2.10 \times 10^{-11}$

$K_{\text{sp}}(\text{Nickel(II) carbonate, NiCO}_3) = 1.30 \times 10^{-7}$

$K_{\text{sp}}(\text{Silver chloride, AgCl}) = 1.80 \times 10^{-10}$

Standard reduction potentials (T = 25.0 °C )

$E^\circ \text{ red } (\text{Al}^{3+}/\text{Al}) = -1.66 \text{ V}$

$E^\circ \text{ red } (\text{Cd}^{2+}/\text{Cd}) = -0.403 \text{ V}$

$E^\circ \text{ red } (\text{Co}^{2+}/\text{Co}) = -0.277 \text{ V}$

$E^\circ \text{ red } (\text{Ni}^{2+}/\text{Ni}) = -0.280 \text{ V}$

[illegible]

58	Ce	59	Pr	60	Nd	61	Pm	62	Sm	63	Eu	64	Gd	65	Tb	66	Dy	67	Ho	68	Er	69	Tm	70	Yb	71	Lu
	140.12		140.91		144.24		146.92		150.36		151.97		157.25		158.93		162.50		164.93		167.26		168.93		173.04		174.97
90	Th	91	Pa	92	U	93	Np	94	Pu	95	Am	96	Cm	97	Bk	98	Cf	99	Es	100	Fm	101	Md	102	No	103	Lr
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