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## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. This paper consists of 6 pages.
2. There are $\mathbf{1 0}$ QUESTIONS in this examination paper.
3. Calculators are allowed

## QUESTION 1:

For a unimolecular surface reaction, consider a single reactant (A) chemisorbed on surface atom ( S ) of the solid and subsequently breaks up into products. Prove and calculate the following statements:
(i) Rate of the reaction is proportional to the partial pressure of $A$ and the reaction is first order with respect to A
(ii) At low pressure, the reaction is the first order with respect to $A$ and rate is proportional to the partial pressure of A
(iii) At high pressure, the reaction rate is independent of pressure and the reaction is zero order with respect to ' $A$ '.

## QUESTION 2:

Show the rate of adsorption follows the first order reaction kinetics with respect to the partial pressure of the gas molecule on the substrate.

## QUESTION 3:

[a] The optical rotations of sucrose in 0.5 M HCl at $35^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ at various time intervals are given below. Show that the reaction is of first order:

| Time (minutes) | 0 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | $\infty$ |
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| Rotation <br> (degrees) | +32.4 | +28.8 | +25.5 | +22.4 | +19.6 | -11.1 |

[b] In an enzyme solution, sucrose undergoes fermentation. If 0.10 M solution of sucrose is reduced to 0.05 M in 10 hours and to 0.025 M in 20 hours, what is the order of the reaction and what is the rate constant?
[c] The half-life of the following homogenous gaseous reaction obeys first order kinetics, is 8 minutes. How long will it take for the concentration of $\mathrm{SO}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ to be reduced to $1 \%$ of the initial value?

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\mathrm{SO}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} \rightarrow \mathrm{SO}_{2}+\mathrm{Cl}_{2}
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[d] Show that for a first order reaction, the time required for $99.9 \%$ completion of the reaction is 10 times that required for $50 \%$ completion.

## QUESTION 4:

[a] Write the three fundamental differences regarding the assumptions of Langmuir and Brunauer, Emmett and Teller (BET) adsorption isotherm.
[d] Graphically test the applicability of Langmuir isotherm the following data referring the adsorption of gas on charcoal.

| $P$ | 100 | 200 | 500 | 900 |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $x / m$ | 1.56 | 1.97 | 2.29 | 2.41 |

From the graph, calculate the value of $K$ and $k_{1}$
Langmuir imperial equation:

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\begin{gathered}
\frac{P}{\frac{x}{m}}=\frac{1}{k_{1} K}+\frac{P}{k_{1}} \\
K=\text { Adsorption coefficient } \\
k_{1}=\text { Proportionality constant }
\end{gathered}
$$

[c] The following data have been obtained for the adsorption of nitrogen on silica at 77 K . Po is the vapour pressure of liquid nitrogen at this temperature.

| $p / p_{0}$ | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.25 | 0.40 | 0.60 | 0.80 |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ml. adsorbed $/ \mathrm{gram}$ of silica | 30 | 38 | 42.5 | 48 | 55 | 108 |

Calculate the surface area of silica in terms $\mathrm{m}^{2} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ by Brunauer, Emmett and Teller (BET) method at the point $B$ (see the figure below, assume the area of $N_{2}$ molecule as $16.2 \AA^{2}$ ).


## QUESTION 5:

[a] Use the following data and show that the following reaction is second order:
$\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{COOC}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5}+\mathrm{NaOH} \rightarrow \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{COONa}+\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{OH}$
Initial concentration of $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{COOC}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5}=\mathrm{NaOH}=10 \mathrm{moles} / \mathrm{litre}$

| Time (min.) $[\mathrm{t}]$ | 0 | 15 | 25 | 35 | 55 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (a-x) <br> $[\mathrm{a}=$ initial concentration and $\mathrm{x}=$ concentration after time <br> $(\mathrm{t})]$ | 10 | 4.9 | 3.6 | 2.9 | 2.1 |

[b] Decomposition of a certain gas follows the second order reaction. Suppose the initial concentration of the gas is $5 \times 10^{-4} \mathrm{moles} /$ litre and $40 \%$ of it decomposed in 50 mim . What is the value of velocity constant of the decomposition reaction?
[c] For the following second order reaction:
$\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{COOC}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5}+\mathrm{OH}^{-} \rightarrow \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{COO}^{-}+\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{OH}$
Calculate the time required for the hydrolysis of $\mathbf{9 0 \%}$ ester
if the initial concentration of the reaction in the reaction mixture are:
(1) 0.05 M ester +0.1 M of base
(2) 0.1 M ester +0.1 M of base

## QUESTION 6:

(a) Using the Arrhenius equation, calculate activation energy and pre-exponential factor for a reaction in which rate constants at 500 K and 700 K are $0.02 \mathrm{sec}^{-1}$ and $0.07 \mathrm{sec}^{-1}$ respectively.
(b) The rate constant of a second order reaction is $5.70 \times 10^{-5} \mathrm{dm}^{3} \mathrm{~mol}^{-1} \mathrm{sec}^{-1}$ at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and 1.64 $\times 10^{-4} \mathrm{dm}^{3} \mathrm{~mol}^{-1} \mathrm{sec}^{-1}$ at $40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Calculate the activation energy and pre-exponential factor.
(c) Calculate the activation energy of a reaction whose rate constant is tripled by a $10^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ rise in temperature in the vicinity of $27^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

## QUESTION 7:

(a) Using the Lambert-Beer law show the absorbance is directly proportional to the molar absorption coefficient and the path-length of the solution.
(b) The molar extinction coefficient of phenanthroline complex of iron (II) is $12.0 \mathrm{dm}^{3} \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}$ $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ and the minimum detectable absorbance is 0.01 . Calculate the minimum concentration of the complex that can be detected in a Lambert-Beer law cell of path length 1.0 cm .

## QUESTION 8:

$10[2+3+3+2]$
(a) Calculate the energy associated with (a) one photon; (b) one Einstein of radiation of wavelength 8000 Å.
$h=6.62 \times 10^{-27} \mathrm{erg}$-sec; $c=3 \times 10^{10} \mathrm{~cm} \mathrm{sec}^{-1}$.
(b) When a substance $A$ was exposed to light, $2 \times 10^{-3}$ mole of it reacted in 20 minutes and 4 seconds. In the same time A absorbed $2.0 \times 10^{6}$ photons of light per second. Calculate the quantum yield of the reaction. (Avogadro number $\mathrm{N}=6.02 \times 10^{23}$ )
(c) When irradiated with light of $5000 \AA$ wavelength, $1 \times 10^{-4}$ mole of a substance is decomposed. How many photons are absorbed during the reaction if its quantum yield is 10 ?
(d) A monochromatic radiation is incident on a solution of 0.05 molar concentration of an absorbing substance. The intensity of the radiation is reduced to one-fourth of the initial value after passing through 10 cm length of the solution. Calculate the molar extinction coefficient of the substance.

## QUESTION 9:

Based on the Jablonski diagram, explain the various photo-physical process, such as, nonradiative transition and radiative transitions (fluorescence and phosphorescence).

## QUESTION 10:

(a) In the following reaction an exposure of blue laser for the duration of 20 minutes causes a decrease of 0.075 millimole of bromine concentration. The solution absorbed $80 \%$ of the light passing through it. Calculate the quantum yield of the reaction.

(b) Give the reasons: The quantum yield value deviate from unity in most of the photochemical reactions.

