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MAIN EXAMINATIONS**

FOR THE DEGREE OF B.ED (SCIENCE)

COURSE CODE: SCH 211

COURSE TITLE: INORGANIC CHEMISTRY

DATE: 31/7/2018

TIME: 9- 11AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer question ONE and any other two questions

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QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- 1a) Valence shell electron pair repulsion theory rests on 3 assumptions. State them. (3 marks)
- b) What is the shape (geometry) of the following molecules (5 marks)
- Methane
 - Phosphorous pentachloride
 - Hydrogen cyanide
 - Boron trichloride
 - Ammonia
- c) Define an acid and a base according to the following theories
- Arrhenius theory (2 marks)
 - Bronsted-Lory theory (2 marks)
 - Lewis theory (2 marks)
- di) Define a chemical bond (1 mark)
- ii. List three types of chemical bonds (3 marks)
- iii. Arrange the atoms in each of the series in order of increasing electronegativity. (3 marks)
- C, F, H, N, O
 - Al, H, Na, O, P
 - Ba, H, N, O, As
- e) Name the following complexes (5 marks)
- $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]\text{Cl}_3$
 - $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4\text{Cl}_2]\text{Cl}$
 - $[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2]^+$
 - $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Cl}_2]^{2+}$
 - $[\text{PtCl}_6]^{2-}$
- f) Give four uses of complexes (4 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- 2a) Differentiate between amphiprotic and amphoteric substances and in each case give an examples. (2 marks)
- b. i) Define a strong acid and a weak base (2 marks)
- ii) Calculate the pH of 0.1 mol dm^{-3} hydrochloric acid. (2 marks)
- iii) Show how pure water has a pH of 7 (5 marks)
- c) Find the pH of $0.500 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ sodium hydroxide solution (3 marks)

d) The pH of a solution of HCl in water is found to be 2.50. What volume of water would you add to 1.00 L of this solution to raise the pH to 3.10? **(3 marks)**

e) Write a balanced equation for the dissociation of each of the following Brønsted-Lowry acids in water:

i. H_2SO_4 **(1 marks)**

ii. HSO_4^- **(1 marks)**

iii. H_3O^+ **(1 marks)**

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

3 a) Predict the polarity of the following molecules. In each case show the geometry and the net dipole moments if any **(6 marks)**

- a. CO_2
- b. CHCl_3
- c. H_2O
- d. PCl_3
- e. SO_3
- f. HCN

b) The BCl_3 molecule has a trigonal planar shape. How is this explained in terms of valency bond theory? **(3 marks)**

c) Urea, $\text{NH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NH}_2$ is a nitrogen fertilizer. What is the hybridization of the nitrogen, oxygen and carbon atoms in urea? **(3 marks)**

d) The concentration of hydrogen ions in wine was 4.1×10^{-4} M after the cap was removed. If half was consumed, the other half after standing in a pen for a month had a concentration of 2.3×10^{-3} M. Calculate the pH of the wine at the two occasions. Explain the results. **(3½ marks)**

e) State the assumptions of Valence shell electron pair repulsion theory **(1½ marks)**

f) Give three factors that affect the strength of an acid **(3 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

4 a) Define the term geometric isomers **(1 mark)**

b) Draw the geometric isomers of the following

(3 marks)

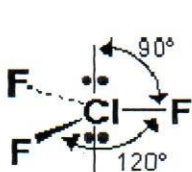
- i. $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Cl}_2]^+$
- ii. $[\text{Co}(\text{en})_2\text{Cl}_2]^+$
- iii. $\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2$



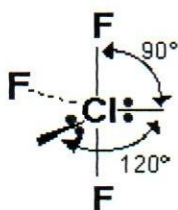
Write an expression for calculating the K_a and the $\text{p}K_a$ of the above reaction (4 marks)

d) In a NaOH solution the concentration of hydroxide ions is 7.2×10^{-3} M. Calculate the pH of the solution. (3 marks)

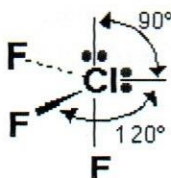
e) Which of the below structures is the most probable for ClF_3 ? Discuss (3 marks)



A



B



C

f) Draw Lewis structures for the following (4 marks)

(4 marks)

- i. SiH_4
- ii. PO_2F_2
- iii. NO^+
- iv. PH_3

g) Differentiate between electronegativity and electron affinity (2 marks)

(2 marks)