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## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION SCIENCE

## COURSE CODE:

COURSE TITLE:

CHE 110
BASIC CHEMISTRY I

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## CHE 110: BASIC CHEMISTRY I

## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

i. Answer ALL questions from SECTION A and any other THREE questions from SECTION B.
ii. Diagrams may be used whenever they serve to illustrate the answer.
iii. Do not write on the question paper.

## SECTION A (24 MARKS)

## Question One

$(\mathrm{Cu}=29, \mathrm{Mg}=12, \mathrm{Co}=27, \mathrm{Na}=11)$
a) What are the drawbacks of the Rutherford's atomic model?
b) What are the assumptions on which the Bohr theory of the structure of the hydrogen atom is based?
c) On what principles is the mechanical model of the atom based?
d) State the Heisenberg's uncertainty principle.
e) Give the names and symbols of the four quantum numbers required to define the energy of electrons in atoms. What do these quantum numbers relate to, and what numerical values are possible for each?
f) Give the equation which explains the different series of lines in the atomic spectrum of hydrogen. Explain the various terms involved.

## Question Two

a) Write the electronic configurations for $\mathrm{Rb}, \mathrm{Fe}^{2+}, \mathrm{Co}$ and $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$.
b) Why does Helium have a smaller radius than Hydrogen atom?
c) What is a chemical bond.
d) Giving examples, discuss three different types of bonds.
e) What are some of the properties of ionic compounds?
f) What is a hydrogen bond?

## Question Three

## SECTION B ALUPE UNMERSITY GOLLEGE

a) What is meant by the following terms:
(i.) Orbital
(ii.) Electronegativity
(iii.) Electron affinity
(iv.) Ionization energy
b) Explain why the electron affinity of group IIB elements is greater than zero.
c) Give the properties of the coordinate covalent bond.
e) What is London force?

## Question Four

a) Expiain why water is a liquid at room temperature while hydrogen sulphide is a gas at room temperature.
b) Draw the Lewis structures of $\mathrm{PCl}_{5}, \mathrm{CIF}_{3}$ and $\mathrm{SF}_{6}$. \& (3 Marks)
c) What is the valence shell electron pair repulsion (VSEPR) theory?
d) Predict the shapes of $\mathrm{SF}_{4}$ and $\mathrm{NH}_{3}$.
e) Define oxidation and reduction in terms of oxygen, hydrogen and electrons.

## Question Five

a) A 8.25 g of an iron (II) salt was dissolved in $250 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}$ of pure water. Aliquots of $25.0 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}$ were pipetted from this stock solution and titrated with 0.0200 mol $\mathrm{dm}^{-3}$ potassium manganate (VII) solution. The titration values obtained were $23.95 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}, 23.80 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}$ and $23.85 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}$.
(i.) What titration value should be used in the calculation and why?
(ii.) Write a full balanced redox equation for the reaction.
(iii.) Calculate the moles of manganate (VII) used in the titration.
(iv.) Calculate the moles of iron(II) ion titrated
(v.) Calculate the mass of iron(II) titrated
(vi.) Calculate the total mass of iron in the original sample of the iron(II) salt.
(vii.) Calculate the $\%$ iron in the salt.

## Question Six

a) Define and give examples of state functions.
(1 Mark)
b) Define the first law of thermodynamics.
c) Show that $\Delta \mathrm{E}=\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{v}}$ at constant volume (V).
d) Define standard enthalpy of combustion $\left(\Delta \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{c}}{ }^{0}\right)$, standard heat of neutralization $\left(\Delta \mathrm{H}_{n}{ }^{0}\right)$ and standard enthalpy of formation $\left(\Delta \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{f}}{ }^{0}\right)$.
e) State Hess law.
f) A $23: 1 \mathrm{~L}$ container of He gas has a pressure of 3.54 atm . The gas is transferred to a new container and the pressure in this container is 1.87 atm . What is the volume of the new container?
g) Explain how the experiments of Boyle, Charies, and Avogadro lead to the formulation of the perfect gas equation of state.
(2 Marks)

## Question Seven

a) What is equilibrium constant?
b) What is chemical equilibrium?
c) What is meant by the term 'common ion effect'?
d) The solubility product of $\mathrm{PbI}_{2}$ is $7.1 \times 10^{-9} \mathrm{~mol}^{3} \mathrm{~L}^{-3}$. Calculate its solubility. (3 Marks)
e) Show that for a $1^{\text {st }}$ order reaction, $-\ln (a-x)=k t+C$ (3 Marks)
f) With examples, explain the following radioactive processes;
(i.) Alpha ( $\alpha$ ) emission
(1 Mark)
(ii.) Beta $(\beta)$ emission
(1 Mark)
(iii.) Electron capture


