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First Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2015/Jan.2016

Engineering Chemistry

Time: 3 hrs. Max. Marks: 80

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing one full question from each module.

Module-1

- 1 a. Derive Nernst equation for single electrode potential. (05 Marks)
 - b. What is electrolyte concentration cell? The emf of the cell Cu/CuSO_{4(0.001M)}|| CuSO_{4(XM)}/Cu is 0.0595V at 25°C. Find the value of X. (05 Marks)
 - c. Explain the following battery characteristics:
 - i) Cell potential
 - ii) Capacity
 - iii) Shelf life.

(06 Marks)

OR

2 a. Define reference electrode. Discuss the construction and working of calomel electrode.

(05 Marks)

b. Describe the construction and working of Ni-MH battery. Mention its applications.

(05 Marks)

c. What is fuel cell? Distinguish between conventional cell and fuel cell.

(06 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 a. Define corrosion. Explain the electro-chemical theory of corrosion by taking iron as an example. (06 Marks)
 - b. Explain the following factors affecting corrosion.

(05 Marks)

- i) Ratio of anodic to cathodic areas
 - ii) Nature of corrosion product
 - iii) Temperature.
- c. Describe electroplating of nickel using Watt's bath. Mention its applications.

(05 Marks)

OR

4 a. Explain differential aeration corrosion with one example.

(05 Marks)

- b. What is metal finishing? Mention the technological importance of metal finishing. (06 Marks)
- c. Define electroless plating. Distinguish between electroplating and electroless plating.

(05 Marks)

Module-3

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

(06 Marks)

- b. What is reforming of petroleum? Give any three reactions involved in reforming. (05 Marks)
- c. What is photovoltaic cell? Explain the construction and working of photovoltaic cell.

(05 Marks)

OR

- a. 0.75g of coal sample (carbon-90%), hydrogen-6% and ash 4%) was subjected to combustion in a bomb calorimeter. Mass of water taken in the calorimeter was 3500g and the water equivalent of the calorimeter was 750g. The rise in temperature was found to be 3.2°C. Calculate the gross and net calorific values of a sample (Specific heat of water = 4.187kJ/Kg/°C; Latent heat of steam = 2454kJ/Kg)
 - b. Explain the modules, panels and arrays of PV cells.

(06 Marks)

c. Explain the production of solar grade silicon by Union - Carbide process:

(05 Marks)

Module-4

7 a. Explain the types of polymerization with example.

(04 Marks)

- b. What is glass transition temperature? Discuss any two factors affecting the glass transition temperature. (06 Marks)
- c. Explain the synthesis and applications of the following:
 - i) Plexi glass
 - ii) Polycarbonate

(06 Marks)

OR

- 8 a. In a polymer sample, 20% of molecules have molecular mass 15000g/mol, 45% molecules have molecular mass 25000g/mol remaining molecules have molecular mass 27000g/mol, calculate the number average, weight average molecular mass of the polymer. (06 Marks)
 - b. Explain the synthesis, properties and applications of silicone rubber.

(05 Marks)

c. Explain the mechanism of conduction in polyaniline

(05 Marks)

Module-5

9 a. Explain the scale and sludge formation in boiler.

(05 Marks)

b. Define COD. Discuss the experimental determination of COD of waste water.

(06 Marks)

c. Write a note on fullerences.

(05 Marks)

OR

10 a. Explain desalination of sea water by ion selective electrodialysis process.

(05 Marks)

b. Explain the synthesis of nano materials by Sol-Gel process. Mention its advantages.

(06 Marks)

c. Write a note on carbon nano tubes.

(05 Marks)