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(CBCSS)

Chemistry

CHE 1C 02—ELEMENTARY INORGANIC CHEMISTRY

(2019 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 30 Weightage

General Instructions

- 1. In cases where choices are provided, students can attend all questions in each section.
- 2. The minimum number of questions to be attended from the Section/Part shall remain the same.
- 3. There will be an overall ceiling for each Section / Part that is equivalent to the maximum weightage of the Section / Part.

Section A

Answer any eight questions.

Each question carries a weightage of 1.

- The electrical conductivity of liquid ammonia is increased when ammonium chloride is dissolved in it; why?
- 2. What is symbiosis? Explain.
- 3. Classify the following into closo/nido/arachno structures:
 - a) B_5H_9 b) $(B_8H_8)^{2-}$ c) $C_2B_3H_5$ d) B_4H_{10}
- 4. Discuss the consequences of isomorphous substitution in silicates.
- 5. Explain, why P₄N₄Cl₈ is puckered while P₄N₄F₈ is planar?
- 6. What are interstitial carbides? Give examples.
- 7. What are Ellingham diagrams? Account for the abrupt changes in these diagrams.
- 8. What is the significance of 'Q' values in nuclear reactions?
- 9. How is uranyl sulphate prepared? Give the equation,
- 10. Comment on the size-dependent properties of cadmium selenide.

 $(8 \times 1 = 8 \text{ weightage})$

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Section B

Answer any six questions.

Each question carries a weightage of 2.

- 11. Explain Lux-Flood theory of acids and bases.
- 12. What are Frost diagrams? Discuss their applications.
- 13. How do substituted borazines are prepared? Give a brief account of the structure and bonding in borazine.
- 14. Give a brief account of the synthesis, structure and properties of $(SN)_X$, S_2N_2 and S_4N_4 .
- 15. Discuss the principle involved in neutron activation analysis.
- 16. Write a note on trans-actinide elements.
- 17. How do graphenes differ from fullerenes?
- 18. Write briefly on diagnostic and therapeutic applications of nanomaterials.

 $.(6 \times 2 = 12 \text{ weightage})$

Section C

Answer any **two** questions.

Each question carries a weightage of 5.

- Give the important characteristics of ammonia as a solvent. Discuss briefly, the precipitation reaction that occur in ammonia.
- 20. How is 1, 2-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12) prepared? Write a note on its isomerism. Compare t acidity of the different types of hydrogen atoms present in carboranes.
- 21. a) Write an account on the synthesis, structure and uses of silicones.
 - b) Write briefly on the classification of carbides.
- 22. Write an account on heteropoly and isopoly anions of W and Mo.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10)$ weights

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