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**FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2022**

(CBCSS)

Chemistry

CHE 1C 02—ELEMENTARY INORGANIC CHEMISTRY

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Section A*Answer any eight questions.**Each question has 1 weightage.*

- Carbon monoxide behaves as a Lewis base towards diborane ; but not towards BF_3 . Why ?
- The acid-base strength is not an inherent property of a substance and it largely depends on the reference solvent ; justify this statement.
- What is 'inorganic graphite' ? Why is it called so ?
- Classify the following compounds into *closo*, *nido* and *arachino* structures :

a) B_5H_9 .	b) B_4H_{10} .
c) B_5H_{11} .	d) $\text{C}_2\text{B}_{10}\text{H}_{12}$.
- Discuss the consequences of isomorphous substitution on silicates.
- Comment on the metallic property of polythiazyl.
- What are super heavy elements ? Give examples.
- Account for the abrupt changes in the Ellingham diagrams.
- What do you mean by radiation dosimetry ?
- How do graphenes differ from fullerenes ?

(8 × 1 = 8 weightage)

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Section B

*Answer any six questions.
Each question carries 2 weightage.*

11. What do you mean by differentiating and levelling solvents? Explain with suitable examples.
12. Comment on the acidity of the different types of hydrogen atoms present in carboranes.
13. Describe the synthesis and structure of S_4N_4 . Comment on the thermochromism exhibited by this compound.
14. What are Latimer and Frost diagrams? Mention their uses.
15. Discuss the liquid drop model of nucleus.
16. Describe the bottom-up and top-down approaches for the synthesis of nanomaterials. Give examples.
17. Describe the principle involved and working of GM counter.
18. Discuss the applications of XRD in the study of nanomaterials.

(6 × 2 = 12 weightage)

Section C

*Answer any two questions.
Each question carries 5 weightage.*

19. What are the important characteristics of liquid ammonia as a solvent? Briefly discuss precipitation reactions taking place in liquid ammonia.
20. Describe the methods of preparation of borazine and substituted borazines. Describe their important reactions.
21. Give an account of the isopoly and heteropoly anions of W and Mo.
22. Discuss the synthesis, structure and reactivity of $(PNCI_2)_3$. What are the important phosphazenes?

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)