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COURSE CODE: SPB 9212

COURSE TITLE BASIC KINECTICS AND THERMODYNAMICS

EXAM VENUE:

STREAM: (Bed. SCI.)

DATE:

EXAM SESSION:

TIME: 2.00 HOURS

Instructions:

- 1. Answer question 1 (Compulsory) in Section A and ANY other 2 questions in Section B.**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

SECTION A

Attempt all questions

QUESTION 1

(a) (i) Why is the study of chemical kinetics an important subject in the application of chemistry? 3 Marks

(ii) Define the term rate of a chemical reaction 2 Marks

(iii) What are the importance of k and n in a chemical reactions 3 Marks

(iv) Name the two major factors that must be considered in applying the k ? 2 Marks

(v) Why the study the rate laws 2 Marks.

(b) (i) Show that the volume of a given amount of gas held at constant pressure is directly proportional to the Kelvin temperature. 2 Marks

(ii) State the four quantities needed to define the state of gas 4 Marks

(iii) A sample of gaseous CO_2 has a pressure of 75 mm Hg in a 125-ML flask. If this sample is transferred to a 250-ML flask, what is the expected pressure of the gas? [3 marks]

(vi) If the amount of gas in a container is increased, the volume increases. If the amount of gas in a container is decreased, the volume decreases. Outline the importance of this statement in the study of gases. [4 marks]

(c) Describe the relationship between enthalpy and internal energy of a system [5 marks]

SECTION

QUESTION 2

(i) Write notes on each of the following

(a) Pressure

(b) Boyles law

(c) Gay Lussac law

(d) Avogadro's law [4marks]

(ii) Differentiate between a real gas and an ideal gas? [3 marks]

(iii) Name the postulates of the Kinetic Molecular Theory of gases. [5 marks]

(iv) Describe the relationship between the following units of measurement

Torr, Atm, Pa and mmHg give examples to support your answer [8 marks]

QUESTION THREE

- (a) Derive the Ideal gas law. [8 marks]
- (b) What is a barometer? Show how a barometer can be constructed [4 marks]
- (c) The partial pressure of oxygen was observed to be 256 torr in air with a total atmospheric pressure of 843 torr. Calculate the mole fraction of O₂ present. [3 marks]
- (d) The ideal gas equation ($PV=nRT$) provides a valuable model of the relations between volume, pressure, temperature and number of particles in a gas. Outline the importance of this equation [5 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

- (a). State the first law of thermodynamics, show how energy can be conserved from one system to the surroundings [8 marks]
- (b) Account for the pressure term Van der Waals equation in the study of non-ideal gases [5 marks]
- (c) What is a system? Discuss how the system relates to work [5 marks]
- (d) What is a spontaneous? [2 marks]

QUESTION FIVE

{a} What are the two kinds of work which are associated with a chemical reaction ? [2 marks]

7 Marks

- (b) Derive Charles Law and show how it is useful to solve the gas laws related problems [4marks]
- (c) Discuss the common Characteristics to all spontaneous process? [5 marks]
- (d) Define the following terms as used in Thermodynamics
- (i) Free Energy [2 marks]
 - (ii) Entropy [2 marks]
- (e) State the effects of temperature on spontaneity [5 marks]

