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COURSE TITLE: INORGANIC CHEMISTRY

EXAM VENUE:

STREAM: (BED SCI)

DATE:

EXAM SESSION: 2.00 – 4.00 PM

TIME: 2:00HRS

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, Answer all the questions (30 marks)

Question 1

- a) Given the equation below, determine the Bohr radius of H atom at $n = 1$. (2 marks)

$$\text{Bohr radius } (r_n), r_n = \frac{\epsilon_0 h^2 n^2}{\pi m_e e^2}$$

$$\epsilon_0 = \text{permittivity of vacuum} = 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ Fm}^{-1}$$

$$h = \text{Planks constant} = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$$

$$n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \text{describing a given orbit}$$

$$m_e = \text{electron rest mass} = 9.109 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$$

$$e = \text{charge on an electron (elementary charge)} = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

- b) An increase in the principal quantum number from $n = 1$ to $n = \infty$ corresponds to the ionization of the atom and the ionization energy can be determined from the equation below. Given that one mole of a substance contains $6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ particles, determine the first ionization energy for H. (3 marks)

$$IE = E_\infty - E_1 = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = hcR\left(\frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{\infty^2}\right) \text{ Where } h = \text{planks constant}; R =$$

$$\text{Rydberg constant for hydrogen} = 1.097 \times 10^7 \text{ m}^{-1} \text{ or } 1.097 \times 10^5 \text{ cm}^{-1};$$

$$c = 2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

- c) The Schrodinger wave equation appropriate for motion in the x direction is given by the equation below. But in reality, electrons

move in three dimensional space. Write the appropriate form of the Schrodinger wave equation satisfying this condition. (2 marks)

$$\frac{d^2\Psi}{dx^2} + \frac{8\pi^2m}{h^2}(E - V)\Psi = 0$$

- d) Given that the principal quantum number, n , is 2, and using the rules that govern quantum numbers n and l , write down the allowed values of l and m_l , and determine the number of atomic orbitals possible for $n = 3$. (3 marks)
- e) Discuss the possible sets of quantum numbers that describe an electron in a $2s$ atomic orbital. What is the significance of the physical significance of these unique sets? (3 marks)
- f) Confirm that the experimentally observed electronic configuration of K, $1s^2, 2s^2, 2p^6, 3s^2, 3p^6, 4s^1$, is energetically more stable than the configuration $1s^2, 2s^2, 2p^6, 3s^2, 3p^6, 3d^1$. (3 marks)
- g) Determine (with reasoning) the ground state electronic configuration of P ($Z = 15$). (3 marks)
- h) Briefly discuss the following principles: The aufbau principle, The Pauli exclusion principle, and The hands rule. (3 marks)
- i) Briefly discuss the difference between the Valency Bond Theory and Molecular Orbital Theory. (3 marks)

- j) Using a diagram explain the Lewis structure of Water. (2 marks)
- k) The bond dissociation enthalpies for nitrogen-nitrogen bond N_2 and $[\text{N}_2]^-$ are 945 and 765 kJmol^{-1} respectively. Account for this difference in terms of MO theory, and state whether $[\text{N}_2]^-$ is expected to be diamagnetic or paramagnetic. (3 marks)

Section B. Answer any TWO questions

Question 2

- a) Consider a particle that is undergoing a simple-harmonic wave-like motion in dimension with the wave propagation along the x axis. The wave equation is given by: $\Psi = A \sin \frac{n\pi x}{a}$ And the quantized energy levels can be calculated using the equation $E = \frac{k^2 h^2}{8\pi^2 m} = \frac{n^2 h^2}{8ma^2}$. The resultant motion of such a particle is described by a series of standing sine waves. Describe using a diagram the sine waves when $n = 1$, $n = 2$, $n = 3$ and $n = 4$. Give the wavelength of the wave functions and on the same diagrams indicate the position of the wave when $\Psi = 0$

(15 marks)

b) The atomic numbers of He, Ne, Ar and Kr are 2, 10, 18 and 36 respectively. Briefly describe their ground state electronic configurations and comment upon their similarities or differences.

(5 marks)

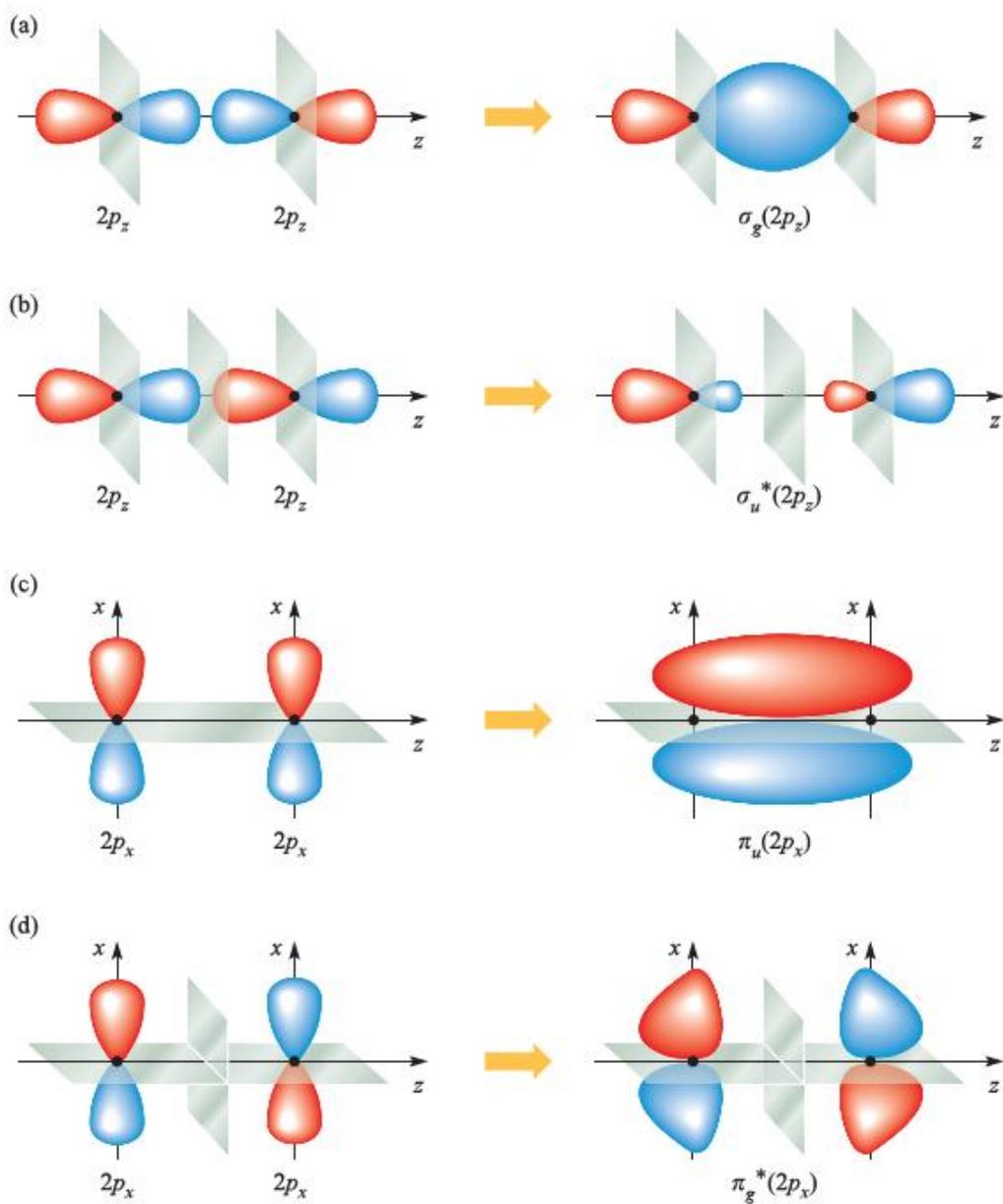
Question 3

a) Consider the formation of F_2 molecule where the ground state electronic configuration of F is $[He]2s^22p^5$, and the presence of the single unpaired electron indicates the formation of an F – F single bond. Discuss the resonance structures of this bond.

(4 marks)

c) Given the diagram below, briefly discuss bonding and anti-bonding using the molecular orbital theory.

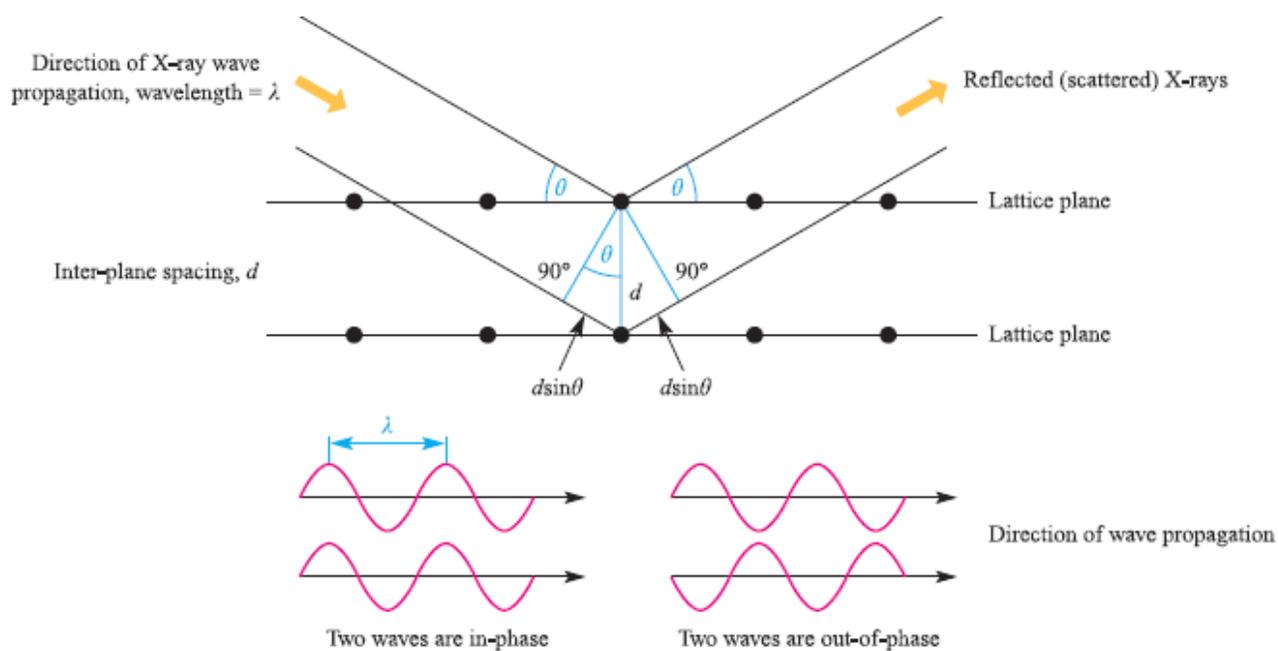
(10 marks)



d) Briefly discuss the orbital interaction diagrams for the formation of He_2 and Li_2 molecules from their atoms (6 marks)

Question 4

- a) Use an example to describe how the distance between atoms can be determined in a molecule using X ray diffraction patterns. (Use the diagram below as a guide). (14 marks)



- a) The Born-Landé expression, $\Delta U(0K) = -\frac{LA|z_+||z_-|e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_0} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)$, is the one that chemists tend to use in many chemical problems that involve the use of estimated lattice energies, for example in hypothetical compounds. Often lattice energies are incorporated into thermochemical cycles, and so an associated enthalpy change can be

calculated. Sodium fluoride adopts the NaCl type lattice. Estimate the lattice energy of NaF using an Born–Lande´ expression.

Data required: $L = 6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$; $A = 1.7476$; $e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$;
 $\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ Fm}^{-1}$ Born exponent for NaF = 7; Internuclear Na-F
distance = 231 pm (6 marks)

Question 5

a) The dipole moment of a gas phase HBr molecule is 0.827 D.

Determine the charge distribution in this diatomic molecule if the bond distance is 141.5 pm. ($1 \text{ D} = 3.336 \times 10^{-30} \text{ Cm}$). (5 marks)

b) Using the following data, estimate a value for $D(\text{Br-F})$: $D(\text{F-F}) = 158 \text{ kJ mole}^{-1}$, $D(\text{Br-Br}) = 224 \text{ kJ mole}^{-1}$, $X^{\text{p}}(\text{F}) = 4.0$, $X^{\text{p}}(\text{Br}) = 3.0$

(10 marks)

c) Predict the structure of XeF_2

(5 marks)

Periodic table

		Atomic number, Z																18
		Element symbol																
		Relative atomic mass, A _r																
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
1 H 1.008	2 He 4.00	3 Li 6.94	4 Be 9.01	5 B 10.81	6 C 12.01	7 N 14.01	8 O 16.00	9 F 19.00	10 Ne 20.18	11 Na 22.99	12 Mg 24.31	13 Al 26.98	14 Si 28.09	15 P 30.97	16 S 32.06	17 Cl 35.45	18 Ar 39.95	
19 K 39.10	20 Ca 40.08	21 Sc 44.96	22 Ti 47.90	23 V 50.94	24 Cr 52.01	25 Mn 54.94	26 Fe 55.85	27 Co 58.93	28 Ni 58.69	29 Cu 63.54	30 Zn 65.41	31 Ga 69.72	32 Ge 72.59	33 As 74.92	34 Se 78.96	35 Br 79.91	36 Kr 83.80	
37 Rb 85.47	38 Sr 87.62	39 Y 88.91	40 Zr 91.22	41 Nb 92.91	42 Mo 95.94	43 Tc 98.91	44 Ru 101.07	45 Rh 102.91	46 Pd 106.42	47 Ag 107.87	48 Cd 112.40	49 In 114.82	50 Sn 118.71	51 Sb 121.75	52 Te 127.60	53 I 126.90	54 Xe 131.30	
55 Cs 132.91	56 Ba 137.34	57 La 138.91	58 Ce 140.12	59 Pr 140.91	60 Nd 144.24	61 Pm 146.92	62 Sm 150.35	63 Eu 151.96	64 Gd 157.25	65 Tb 158.92	66 Dy 162.50	67 Ho 164.93	68 Er 167.26	69 Tm 168.93	70 Yb 173.04	71 Lu 174.97		
87 Fr 223	88 Ra 226.03	89 Ac 227.03	90 Th 232.04	91 Pa 231.04	92 U 238.03	93 Np 237.05	94 Pu 239.05	95 Am 241.06	96 Cm 244.07	97 Bk 249.08	98 Cf 252.08	99 Es 252.09	100 Fm 257.10	101 Md 258.10	102 No 259	103 Lr 262		
		Lanthanoids																
		Actinoids																