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**COURSE CODE: SCH 3111**

**COURSE TITLE: PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY**

**EXAM VENUE:**

**STREAM: (BSc. Public & Commu. Health)**

**DATE:**

**EXAM SESSION:**

**TIME: 2:00 HRS**

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**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**

**Useful data**

$$a = 4.17 \text{ L}^2 \text{ atm.mol}^{-2}$$

$$b = 0.0371 \text{ L.mol}^{-1}$$

$$R = 0.0821 \text{ L atm. K}^{-1}\text{mol}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Molar mass Mg} = 24 \text{ g.mol}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Molar mass N}_2 = 28 \text{ g.mol}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Molar mass O}_2 = 32 \text{ g.mol}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Molar mass NH}_3 = 17.03 \text{ g.mol}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Molar mass H}_2 = 2 \text{ g.mol}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Molar mass of glucose} = 180.2 \text{ g.mol}^{-1}$$

**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question 1 and any other TWO questions**

**QUESTION ONE (30 marks)**

1. (a) Define the following;
- (i) Equilibrium constant
  - (ii) Chemical change
  - (iii) Electrolyte
  - (iv) Voltaic cells
  - (v) Effusion
  - (vi) Ideal gas equation [12 marks]
- (b) 3.25 moles of ammonia was found to occupy 1.30 litres at 50 °C. Calculate the pressure that would be expected if the gas behaves as a real gas. [6 marks]
- (c) Hydrogen gas is prepared as per the following chemical equation;
- $$\text{HNO}_3 \text{ (aq)} + \text{Mg (s)} \rightarrow \text{Mg(NO}_3)_2 \text{ (aq)} + \text{H}_2 \text{ (g)}$$
- Balance and calculate the amount of Magnesium in kilograms required to prepare 2 L of H<sub>2</sub> gas at 750 mmHg and 30 °C. [6 marks]
- (d) What is the percentage yield of H<sub>2</sub>O if 138 g of H<sub>2</sub>O is produced from H<sub>2</sub> and excess O<sub>2</sub>? [6 marks]

**QUESTION TWO (20 marks)**

2. (a) Derive the ideal gas equation from basic gas laws. [6 marks]
- (b) What is a redox reaction? Explain using an example. [3 marks]
- (c) 1.0 g of air consists of approximately 0.72 g of nitrogen and 0.28 g of oxygen. Calculate the total pressure when this sample occupies a 2.00 L vessel at 20 °C. [7 marks]
- (d) Classify the following as either physical or chemical changes:
- (i) The evaporation of alcohol
  - (ii) Oxygen gas supports combustion
  - (iii) Crushing a panadol tablet
  - (iv) Photosynthesis [4 marks]

**QUESTION THREE (20 marks)**

3. (a) Give any **TWO** applications of electrochemistry. [2 marks]
- (b) Identify the oxidizing and reducing agent in the following redox reaction [4 marks]
- $$\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} + \text{I}^- \rightarrow \text{Cr}^{3+} + \text{IO}_3^-$$

- (c) Insulin is a hormone that controls the use of glucose in the body. How many moles of insulin are required to make 28.0 mL of a 0.0048 M insulin solution? [3 marks]
- (d) Assign oxidation number to the underlined atoms in;  
 $\underline{\text{N}}\text{O}_3^-$ ,  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{AsO}_3^-$  [6 marks]
- (e) Eucalyptus leaves produces oil with a density of 0.4 g/L at 20 °C at a pressure of 700 Torr. Calculate the molecular weight of the eucalyptus oil. [5 marks]

#### QUESTION FOUR (20 marks)

4. (a) Balance the following reaction equations:
- (i)  $\text{Fe} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  [2 marks]
- (ii)  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6 + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  [2 marks]
- (b). Distinguish the following terms:
- (i) Gas and a liquid  
 (ii) Reduction and Oxidation  
 (ii) Real gas and Ideal gas  
 (iv) Saturated and supersaturated solution  
 (v) Oxidation number and Oxidation [10 marks]
- (c) Explain the meaning of the term ‘colligative property’ and give its properties. [6 marks]

#### QUESTION FIVE (20 marks)

5. (a) The equilibrium constant for the reaction below is 0.2.  
 $2\text{HF} \leftrightarrow \text{H}_{2(\text{g})} + \text{F}_{2(\text{g})}$
- 2 moles of hydrogen and 1 mole of iodine were mixed in a 1 L vessel at 400 °C. What are the concentrations of the species present at equilibrium? [4 marks]
- (b) Discuss the **FOUR** factors affecting the chemical equilibrium in a system. [8 marks]
- (c) State the Le Chatelier’s Principle [2 marks]
- (d) A solution contains 2.75 g of glucose,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$  dissolved in 15.2 g of water. What are the mole fractions of glucose and water? [6 marks]