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COURSE CODE: SCH 102

COURSE TITLE: Basic Inorganic Chemistry

EXAM VENUE:

STREAM: (BEd. Science)

DATE:

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EXAM SESSION:

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.**
- 4. Some important information/formulas are found on the last page of this question paper**

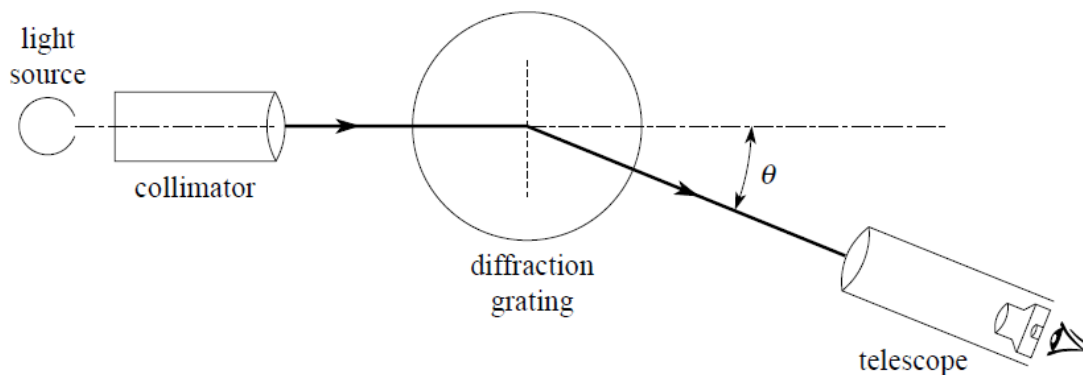
SECTION A

Question 1

- a) Discuss the four quantum numbers that fully describes the electronic configuration of an atom. (4 marks)
- b) Describe the electronic configurations (*spdf*) of the following atoms. (4 marks)
- Sodium atom
 - Magnesium atom
 - Fluoride atom
 - Iron atom
- c) Describe the energy level diagram for the sodium and iron atoms. (6 marks)
- d) Discuss the shapes of atomic orbitals in an *s* orbital, *p* orbital and *d* orbital (6 marks)
- e) The formation of ammonium phosphate fertilizers involves the following reactions.
- $2\text{Ca}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2 + 6\text{SiO}_2 + 10\text{C} \rightarrow \text{P}_4 + 10\text{CO} + 6\text{CaSiO}_3$
 - $\text{P}_4 + 5\text{O}_2 + 6\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 4\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$
 - $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4 + \text{NH}_3 \rightarrow (\text{NH}_4)_3\text{PO}_4$
- Write complete redox reactions with oxidation numbers for each element shown and the reduced/oxidized species indicated. (6 marks)
- f) The following reactions involve Brønsted-Lowry Acid and Brønsted-Lowry Base forward reactions. In each reaction, discuss why the chemical species can be identified as a Brønsted-Lowry Base or Brønsted-Lowry Acid (4 marks)
- $\text{HClO}_2(\text{aq}) + \text{NaIO}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{HIO}(\text{aq}) + \text{NaClO}_2(\text{aq})$
 - $\text{HS}^-(\text{aq}) + \text{HF}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{S}(\text{aq}) + \text{F}^-(\text{aq})$

SECTION B

Question 2



- a) The above spectrometer has a diffraction grating as the light dispersion device. Given that the light is diffracted at an angle of 32° determine the wavelength of the diffracted light. (5 marks)
- b) Use the electron box and arrow configurations in combination with Pauli exclusion principle and Hund's rule to demonstrate the electronic configuration of V^+ , V^{2+} , V^{3+} , V^{4+} , and V^{5+} (5 marks)
- c) Use the Bohr equation to determine the Bohr radius of H atom at $n = 1$. (5 marks)
- d) 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. (5 marks)

Question 3

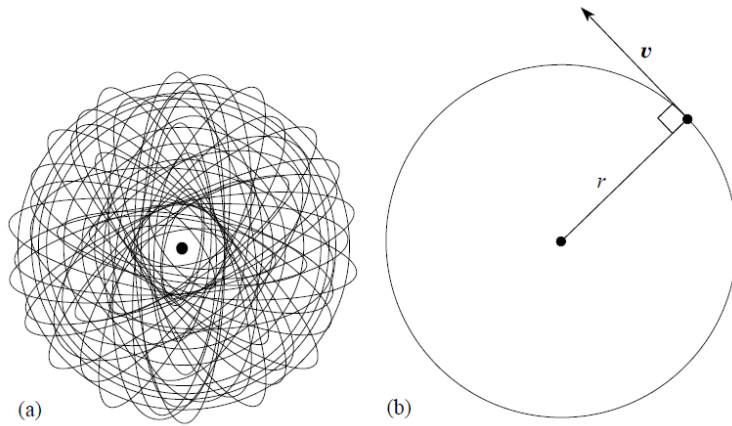
- a) Given that the principal quantum number, n , is 3, and using the rules that govern quantum numbers n and l , write down the allowed values of l and m_l , and determine the number of atomic orbitals possible for $n = 4$.
(5 marks)
- b) Discuss the possible sets of quantum numbers that describe an electron in a $2s$ atomic orbital. What is the physical significance of these unique sets?
(5 marks)
- c) 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 $1s^2, 2s^2, 2p^6, 3s^2, 3p^6, 3d^1$.
(5 marks)
- d) Briefly discuss the following principles: The aufbau principle, The Pauli exclusion principle, and The hands rule.
(5 marks)

Question 4

- a) Briefly discuss electron transitions that make up the Lyman and Balmer series in the emission spectrum of atomic hydrogen (use of a diagram is preferred).
(10 marks)
- b) Use the first 30 elements in the periodic table to demonstrate why they are labelled as s block, d block, and p block elements.
(10 marks)

Question 5

- a) Using the diagram shown below, discuss the Rutherford's model of an atom and the Bohr's model of an atom. Include in your discussion the Bohr's postulates. (20 marks)



Periodic table

		1		2		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10		11		12		13		14		15		16		17		18										
		Atomic number, Z		Element symbol		Relative atomic mass, A _r																																								
1	1	H	1.008	2	He	4.00																																								
3	4	Li	6.94	9	Be	9.01																																								
11	12	Na	22.99	24.31	Mg	24.31																																								
19	20	K	39.10	40.08	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										
37	38	Rb	85.47	87.62	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										
55	56	Cs	132.91	137.34	Ba	137.34	57	La-Lu	178.49	72	Hf	178.49	73	Ta	180.95	74	W	183.85	75	Re	186.21	76	Os	190.23	77	Ir	192.22	78	Pt	195.08	79	Au	196.97	80	Hg	200.59										
87	88	Fr	223	226.03	Ra	226.03	89	Ac-Lr	227.03	104	Rf	261	105	Db	262	106	Sg	266	107	Bh	264	108	Hs	277	109	Mt	268	110	Ds	271	111	Rg	272	112	Uub	285										
Lanthanoids		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
Actinoids		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

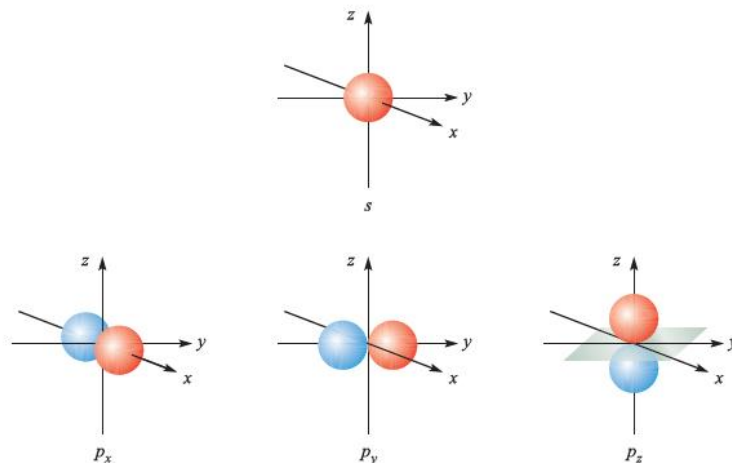


Fig. 1.9 Boundary surfaces for the angular parts of the $1s$ and $2p$ atomic orbitals of the hydrogen atom. The nodal plane shown in grey for the $2p_z$ atomic orbital lies in the xy plane.

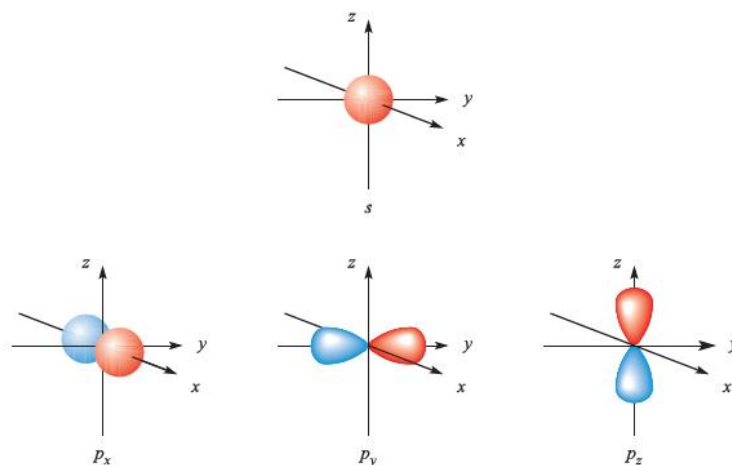


Fig. 1.10 Representations of an s and a set of three degenerate p atomic orbitals. The lobes of the p_x orbital are elongated like those of the p_y and p_z but are directed along the axis that passes through the plane of the paper.

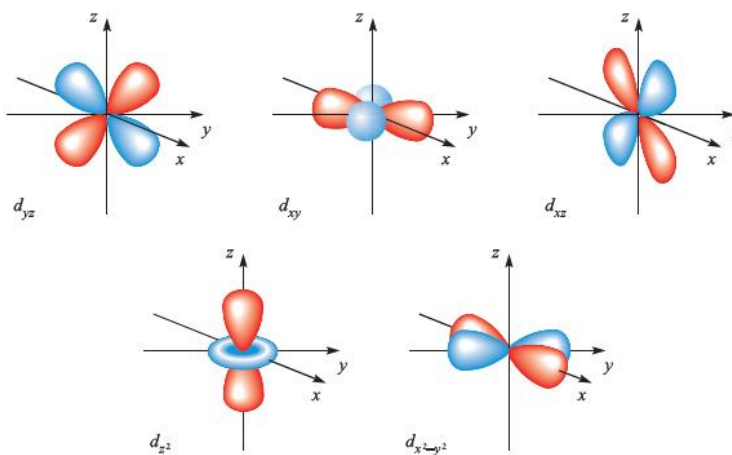


Fig. 1.11 Representations of a set of five degenerate d atomic orbitals.

a) Grating relation $n\lambda = nd\sin\theta$

b) Ionization energy $IE = E_\infty - E_1 = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = hcR\left(\frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{\infty^2}\right)$ Where h = planks constant; R = Rydberg constant for hydrogen = $1.097 \times 10^7 \text{ m}^{-1}$ or $1.097 \times 10^5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$; $c = 2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

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

ϵ_0 = permittivity of vacuum = $8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ Fm}^{-1}$

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

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

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

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