



**LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034**

**B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – CHEMISTRY**

**FIRST SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2022**

**UCH 1501 – BASIC CONCEPTS IN INORGANIC CHEMISTRY**

**(19 & 20<sup>TH</sup> BATCH)**

Date: 24-11-2022

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Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM

**PART - A**

**Answer ALL Questions.**

**(10 × 2 = 20)**

1. State the modern periodic law.
2. What is the significance of de Broglie equation?
3. Find the oxidation number of S in  $\text{H}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ .
4. State Lux–Flood definition of acids and bases.
5. State Octet rule and its exception.
6. Draw the electron dot structure of  $\text{CCl}_4$  and  $\text{NH}_3$ .
7. Why does  $\text{He}_2$  not exist?
8. What are superconductors?
9. Draw the structure of  $\text{IF}_7$ .
10. What are pseudohalogens? Give an example.

**PART - B**

**Answer any EIGHT Questions.**

**(8 × 5 = 40)**

11. Discuss the diagonal relationship exhibited by the *s*-block elements.
12. Explain the postulates of Bohr's theory.
13. Discuss Mullikan-Jaffe concept of electronegativity.
14. Explain Lewis theory of acids and bases with examples.
15. Discuss the role of liquid ammonia as a solvent.
16. Explain Pearson's concept of hard and soft acids. Give examples.
17. Explain in detail the hybridization and geometry of the following compounds using VSEPR theory.  
(i)  $\text{XeF}_4$                       (ii)  $\text{XeO}_3$
18. State Sidgwick-Powell theory and explain its role in the prediction of molecular shapes.
19. Construct a qualitative MO energy level diagram for  $\text{O}_2$  molecule. Write the MO electronic configuration and bond order for  $\text{O}_2$ ,  $\text{O}_2^+$ ,  $\text{O}_2^{2+}$ ,  $\text{O}_2^-$  and  $\text{O}_2^{2-}$  molecules.
20. Fluorine is diamagnetic whereas oxygen molecule is paramagnetic. Explain.
21. Write a note on interhalogen compounds of iodine.
22. Write the preparation, properties, and structure of dioxygendifluoride.

## PART - C

Answer any FOUR Questions.

(4 × 10 = 40)

23a. Define the following and explain their trends in a period and group.

(i) Electron affinity (ii) Ionization energy.

b. What is meant by isoelectronic species? Arrange the following ions in the order of increasing size and justify your answer.  $\text{Cl}^-$ ,  $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{S}^{2-}$  and  $\text{K}^+$ . (5+5)

24. Identify the following compounds as oxidizing and reducing agents.

(i)  $\text{KMnO}_4$  (ii)  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  (iii)  $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$  (iv)  $\text{NaBH}_4$  (v)  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$

b. Explain Pauling scale of electronegativity. (5+5)

25. Balance the following redox reaction by oxidation number method.

a)  $\text{MnO}_4^- + \text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-} \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{2+} + \text{CO}_2$  (Acidic Medium)

b)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} + \text{Fe}^{2+} \rightarrow \text{Cr}^{3+} + \text{Fe}^{3+}$  (Acidic Medium)

26a. Explain the hybridization and geometry of  $\text{SF}_6$  and  $\text{BeCl}_2$ .

b. Methane and ammonia are  $\text{sp}^3$  hybridised. But bond angles are  $109^\circ$  and  $107^\circ$ , respectively. Explain. (5+5)

27a. Draw the MO diagram of nitrogen molecule and explain its bond order.

b. Compare VB and MO theories of covalent bond. (5+5)

28a. Write a note on anomalous behavior of fluorine in group-17.

b. Draw and explain the structures of  $\text{IF}_3$  and  $\text{BrF}_5$ . (6+4)

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