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SECOND SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2024

(CBCSS - PG)

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

CC19P CHE2 C08 - ELECTROCHEMISTRY, SOLID STATE CHEMISTRY, AND STATISTICAL THERMODYNAMICS

(Chemistry)

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Section A

Answer any *eight* questions. Each question carries 1 weightage.

- Write equations for the activity of the following electrolytes in terms of molal concentration 'm' and mean ionic activity coefficient. (i) LaCl₃ (ii) CuSO₄
- 2. Discuss electrical double layer.
- 3. Explain the advantages of overvoltage in electrodeposition and corrosion of metals.
- 4. Define symmetry opertion and symmetry element
- 5. Write Hermann-Maugin notation for a) D_{4h} , b) O_h
- 6. Explain intrinsic semiconductivity.
- 7. Derive the relation between enthalpy and partition function.
- 8. Comment on the electronic partiton function of NO.
- 9. Distinguish between bosons and fermions.
- 10. What is thermionic emission?
- 11. Differentiate between macrostate and microstate using an example.
- 12. What are the assumptions of Fermi-Dirac statistics?

 $(8 \times 1 = 8 \text{ Weightage})$

Section **B**

Answer any *four* questions. Each question carries 3 weightage.

- 13. Write a note on different types of reference electrodes.
- 14. Discuss the electrode reactions of Ni-Cd and Ni-MH cells. Give it's advantages and limitations.
- 15. Write a note on Bragg's equation and it applicatons

- 16. Explain mechanism of luminescence with suitable examples
- 17. Explain various types of magnetic properties
- 18. What is the relation between thermodynamic probability and third law of thermodynamics?
- 19. How does Einstein's theory explain the variation of C_v with temperature?

 $(4 \times 3 = 12 \text{ Weightage})$

Section C

Answer any *two* questions. Each question carries 5 weightage.

- 20. Write a note on four types of fuel cells and give its advantages and limitations.
- 21. Discuss. 1) The catalytic theory. 2) The slow discharge theory. 3) The electrochemical theories
- 22. Explain in detail the electrical and thermal properties of solids.
- 23. Explain thermodynamic probability using an example. Derive its relation to entropy. How does this relation explain the third law of thermodynamics?

 $(2 \times 5 = 10 \text{ Weightage})$
