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Instructions to candidates:

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions

Answer question **ONE** (compulsory) and any other **TWO** questions

### Question ONE

- i) Discuss types of chemical bonds.

**(6marks)**

- ii) Calculate the lattice energy of KCl from the following data (please show all the steps)

**(10marks)**

(a) Enthalpy of sublimation of potassium	=	90.9KJmol <sup>-1</sup>
(b) Ionization energy of potassium	=	418.7KJmol <sup>-1</sup>
(c) Enthalpy of dissociation of chlorine	=	240KJmol <sup>-1</sup>
(d) Electron affinity of chlorine	=	-348.7KJ mol <sup>-1</sup>
(e) Enthalpy of formation of KCl	=	-440.3KJ mol <sup>-1</sup>

- iii) The solubility product of AgCl is  $1.5 \times 10^{-10}$ . What weight of AgCl will be dissolved

a) In 100ml of water? **(2marks)**

b) In a solution containing 0.234g of NaCl in 100ml **(3marks)**

c) In a solution containing 0.17g of AgNO<sub>3</sub> in 100ml (RAM Na = 23, Cl = 35.5, Ag = 108, N = 14, O = 16) **(3marks)**

- iv) (a) Define an Acid-Base indicator  
(2marks)
- (b) Describe how acid-base indication work (4marks)

### Question TWO

- i) State Rutherford nuclear model of the atom.  
(6marks)
- ii) Define the following
- a) Wavelength
  - b) Wave number
  - c) Frequency
  - d) Amplitude
- (4marks)
- iii) The wavelength of blue light is 480nm. Calculate the frequency and wave number of this light given that  $C = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ms}^{-1}$  (4marks)
- iv) Write down electrons configuration for the following elements.
- a) Cr ( $Z = 24$ ) (1mark)
  - b) Cu ( $Z = 29$ ) (1mark)
  - c) K ( $Z = 19$ ) (1mark)
  - d) Sc ( $Z = 21$ ) (1mark)
  - e) Ti ( $Z = 22$ ) (1mark)
- v) Draw the shapes of the following orbitals.
- (a)  $Dz^2$  (2marks)
  - (b)  $2Pz$ . (2marks)

### Question THREE

- i) Define an acid in terms of the following
- a) Bronsted-Lowry theory
  - b) Lewis concept
  - c) Arrhenius theory
- (3marks)
- ii) a) Calculate the pH of 0.01M solution of  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  given  $K_a = 1.85 \times 10^{-5}$

**(2marks)**

- b) A sample of blood has the pH value 7.4. What is the hydrogen ion concentration

**(4marks)**

- c) What will be the change in pH on adding 0.01M HCl to 1 litre of solution.

**(4marks)**

- d) Define capacity **(1mark)**

#### **Question FOUR**

- i) State the major condition for precipitation to occur.

**(1mark)**

- ii) Predict whether there will be any precipitation on mixing 50ml of 0.001M NaCl solution with 50ml of 0.0M AgNO<sub>3</sub> solution.  $K_{sp}(\text{AgCl}) = 1.5 \times 10^{-10}$  **(9marks)**

- iii) Calculate the pH of a  $1.0 \times 10^{-8}$  solution of HCl. **(10marks)**

#### **Question FIVE**

- i) State Kohlraush Law of independent migration of ions. **(3marks)**

- ii) The resistance of a 0.2N solution of an electrolyte in a conductivity cell is 100 ohm at 25°C. What are its conductivity and equivalent conductance if the cell constant is  $2.06\text{cm}^{-1}$  **(7marks)**

- iii) The silver nitrate solution from the central compartment of a transference cell weighed 36.58g and was titrated with 32.7ml of NH<sub>4</sub>CN solution, 1ml of which was equivalent to 0.0085g of AgNO<sub>3</sub>. The solution from the cathode compartment weighing 43.17g, required 29.4ml of NH<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>3</sub> solution. In the cellometers, in series, the amount of copper deposited was 0.09g. Calculate the transport number of Ag<sup>+</sup> and NO<sub>3</sub>.

**(10marks)**