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(DAC 11M)

ACH 2308 : PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY II

SEMESTER: EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: DECEMBER 2013

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

You should have the following for this paper

- *Answer booklet*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions.

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

This paper consists of 3 PRINTED pages

Question ONE

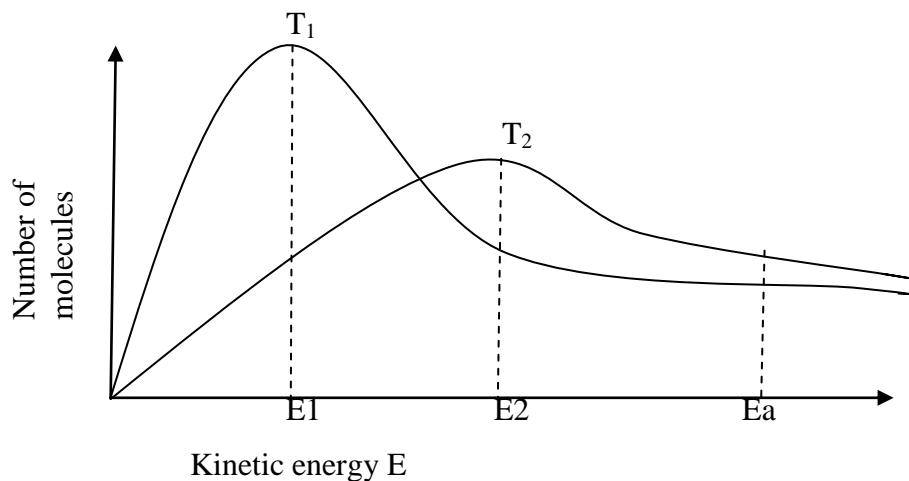
(a) The energy diagram for the reaction



- (i) State what the energies E1 E2 and E3 represent **(3 marks)**
- (ii) What would be the effect on E1,E2 and E3 on adding a catalyst to the reaction **(3 marks)**
- (iii) Is the reaction exothermic or endothermic. Give a reason for your answer **(2 marks)**
- (iv) Identify the substance at B **(1 mark)**
- (b) (i) Distinguish electronic from electrolytic conductors and give two examples for each **(6 marks)**
- (ii) State FOUR differences between electronic and electrolytic conductivities **(4 marks)**
- (c) (i) Define the term reference electrode **(2 marks)**
- (ii) State FOUR conditions on which standard electrode potential is based **(4 marks)**
- (d) (i) State the relationship between resistance and conductance **(1 mark)**
- (ii) List the FOUR factors that determine the resistance of a solution of an electrolyte **(4 marks)**

Question TWO

- (a) Define the term chain reaction (1 mark)
- (b) Referring to the reaction between methane CH_4 and chlorine gas Cl_2 as an example of a chain reaction
- (i) State three conditions that can initiate this reaction (3 marks)
- (ii) Give
- A) The equation for the chain initiation step (1 mark)
- B) Two equations for the two chain propagating steps (2 marks)
- C) Three equations for the three chain terminating steps (3 marks)
- (iii) State the condition that favours
- A) Formation of CH_3Cl as the main product (1 mark)
- B) Formation of CCl_4 as the main product (1 mark)
- (c) From the following diagram



- (i) State the relationship between temperatures T_1 and T_2 (1 mark)
- (ii) What is represented by E_1 , E_2 and E_a (2 marks)
- (iii) Give the name of the law the diagram represents (1 mark)
- (iv) The equation $N = N_0 e^{-E_a/RT}$ is applicable to this law. State what the symbols N , N_0 , E_a and R represent (4 marks)

Question THREE

- (a) State FIVE factors that influence the rate of chemical reactions (5 marks)

(b) The reaction represented by the equation $A + 2B + C \rightarrow AB + BC$ gave the following data

Experiment No	Concentration mol lit ⁻¹			Reaction Rate mol lit ⁻¹ Sec ⁻¹
	[A]	[B]	[C]	
1	1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00
2	2.00	1.00	2.00	2.00
3	2.00	2.00	2.00	8.00
4	2.0	2.0	4.00	8.00

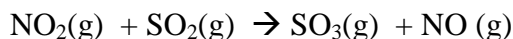
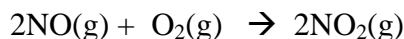
- (i) Write the general (unknown) rate equation for this reaction stating what each symbol in the equation stating what each symbol in the equation represent **(4 marks)**
- (ii) Calculate the rate of the reaction if the concentrations of A B and C are 1.00, 2.00 and 3.00 mol lit⁻¹ respectively **(11 marks)**

Question FOUR

- (a) (i) Define the following
- (A) Redox reaction
- (B) Oxidation number
- (C) Oxidant **(3 marks)**
- (iii) Find the oxidation number of
- (A) Mn in K_2MnO_4
- (B) V in VO_2^{+1}
- (C) Cr in $Cr_2O_7^{2-}$ **(6 marks)**

(b) A solution containing 6.0g ethanoic acid per dm³ has an electrolytic conductivity of $5.21 \times 10^{-2} \Omega^{-1} m^{-1}$ at 25°C. The molar conductivity of ethanoic acid at infinite dilution at this temperature is $3.91 \times 10^{-2} \Omega^{-1} m^2 mol^{-1}$. Calculate the degree of dissociation of ethanoic acid (CH_3COOH) (C=12, O=16, H=1) **(6marks)**

(c) The behavior of a mixture of nitrogen (ii) oxide, oxygen and sulphur dioxide all gases is represented by the following equations.



- (i) State the roles played by NO and SO₂ gases in this reaction **(2marks)**
- (ii) What property of these gases enables them to play these roles **(1mark)**

- (iii) Determine the equation for the overall reaction that occurs **(2marks)**

Question FIVE

- (a) Electrolytic conductivity of an electrolyte Can be determined experimentally by use of a Wheatstone bridge circuit
- (i) Draw a fully labelled diagram of the Wheatstone bridge circuit **(8marks)**
- (ii) State the function of each component in the circuit **(6marks)**
- (iii) Give the name used to describe the type of water used in making solutions for conductivity measurements **(1mark)**
- (iv) Direct current DC is unsuitable for work on conductivity. Give TWO reasons **(2marks)**
- a. (i) The molar conductivities of KCl, KBr and NaCl are 149.86, 151.92 and 126.45 $\text{Scm}^2 \text{mol}^{-1}$ respectively. The molar conductivity of sodium ion Na^+ is 52.17 $\text{Scm}^2 \text{mol}^{-1}$. Find the molar conductivity of the bromide ion **(3marks)**