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heat capacities (ΔC_p) of the reaction can be ignored. If the minerals behave as non-ideal solutions, would the temperature estimate of the geothermometer at a constant pressure increase or decrease with respect to the aforesaid case? Justify your answer. 6

8. Write short notes on : 6

- (i) The relation between Nernst Partition coefficient and compatibility of an element during crystallization of a basaltic melt.
- (ii) Activity – composition relation in a solid solution phase.

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APPLIED GEOLOGY

Geochemistry

Paper : - II

Time : Two hours

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Use a separate answer script for each group.

GROUP - A (25 marks)

Answer any *two* questions.

1. For a hydrothermal solution establish the following relation :

$$\delta^{34}\text{S}_{\text{fluid}} = \delta^{34}\text{S}_{\text{H}_2\text{S}} + \Delta_{\text{SO}_2} \cdot (R/(R+1))$$

where R is the mole ratio of $\text{SO}_2/\text{H}_2\text{S}$ and $\Delta_{\text{SO}_2} = \delta^{34}\text{S}_{\text{SO}_2} - \delta^{34}\text{S}_{\text{H}_2\text{S}}$.

“The volume of magmatic-hydrothermal fluid exsolved from an oxidized granitic magma has important control on the $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ values of the fluid” – accept or reject the statement with reason. Using necessary sketch discuss how the $\delta^{34}\text{S}_{\text{H}_2\text{S}}$ of a fluid, initially in H_2S -dominant field, will change with decreasing temperature in the following cases : (a) $\text{H}_2\text{S}/\text{SO}_2$ ratio remains nearly constant, (b) $\text{H}_2\text{S}/\text{SO}_2$ ratio decreases gradually. 4+2¹/₂+6

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2. Using necessary sketch briefly discuss the evolution of $\delta^{34}\text{S}_{\text{H}_2\text{S}}$ and $\delta^{34}\text{S}_{\text{SO}_4}$ during bacterial reduction of seawater sulphate (SO_4^{2-}) to sulphide (H_2S) when the system is closed to both sulphate and sulphide. Given that $10^3 \ln \alpha_{\text{ZnS-H}_2\text{S}} = (0.10 \times 10^6)/T^2$ and $10^3 \ln \alpha_{\text{PbS-H}_2\text{S}} = (-0.63 \times 10^6)/T^2$ derive the equation for $10^3 \ln \alpha_{\text{ZnS-PbS}}$. Among pyrite, chalcopyrite, sphalerite and galena, which mineral pair is commonly used as sulphur isotope thermometer to know the temperature of metamorphosed hydrothermal deposit and why?

6+4¹/₂+2

3. “The initial $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios of a set of co-genetic igneous rock samples are same where as their initial $^{87}\text{Rb}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios are different” – accept or reject the statement with reason. How does the ϵ_{Nd} and ϵ_{Sr} value of the crust differ from that of the depleted mantle and why? What is μ and how the high μ value of HIMU mantle is explained?

3+6+3¹/₂

4. Derive the fundamental equation of U-Th-Pb_{Total} chemical dating. What are the advantages and disadvantages of such dating? Using necessary sketch briefly discuss the method of determining the Sm-Nd model age by graphical method.

6+2+4¹/₂

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GROUP - B (25 marks)

Answer **Q.no. 5** and any **two** from the rest.

5. What is Nernst Partition Coefficient for a chemical species (Di)? Can the relation $\text{DNi} < \text{DRb}$ holds good in common rocks? Justify your answer. A basaltic magma has 300 ppm Ni and 30 ppm Sr. The magma is crystallizing in equilibrium in a closed system. For the first 30% crystallization of the magma olivine ($\text{DNi} = 14$) is the only phase. In the next 60% of the crystallization olivine and plagioclase ($\text{DNi} = 0$, $\text{DSr} = 3$) appear in 1:1 weight percent. Calculate Ni/Sr ratio of the melt after 90% of crystallization? 13
6. Derive an equation that can be used to calculate volume strain of a mylonite from the compositions of the sheared and the un-sheared wall rocks. Also calculate the change of rock mass during shearing. 6
7. Using the following ion exchange reaction,
 $\frac{1}{2}\text{Fe}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6 + \frac{1}{3}\text{Mg}_3\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_3\text{O}_{12} = \frac{1}{2}\text{Mg}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6 + \frac{1}{3}\text{Mg}_3\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_3\text{O}_{12}$
How do you formulate a geothermometric equation where, $\Delta H_{1,T}$, ΔS_T and ΔV represent the change of enthalpy (at 1 bar and T oK), entropy and volume change of the reaction. K_D represent distribution coefficient. Given that garnet and pyroxene behave like ideal solutions under all conditions. Change of

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