M. Sc. (Chemistry) Examination, 2022

(4th Semester, CBCS)

Physical Chemistry Special

Paper – XIII-P

Time : Two hours Full Marks : 40

(20 marks for each unit)

Use a separate answer script for each Unit.

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Answer *any two* questions.

1. a) Many electrons wave function written in Slater determinantal form satisfies the anti-symmetry requirement. Justify using a 3-electron system.

   b) Apply the spin projection operator to construct spin eigen functions with $S=\frac{1}{2}$ and $M_s=\pm\frac{1}{2}$ for a 3 electrons system.

   c) Show that for an atom with two non-interacting electrons, the two electron wave function is the product of eigen functions of two single electrons.

   3+5+2

2. a) What are Slater Condon rules? Derive an expression for the energy expectation value of the wave function $\psi=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(\left|\overline{f}_1 f_2 f_3\right|-\left|f_1 \overline{f}_2 f_3\right|\right)$ using Slater-Condon rules.

b) Write down the detail steps involved in performing Hartree Fock SCF calculations of a many electron system at a fixed geometry. 6+4

3. a) Using Hückel Molecular Orbital (HMO) theory, derive general expression of energy level and wave function of a cyclic conjugated polyene having N-carbon atoms (N may be odd or even).

b) Using HMO theory, calculate the energy levels for cyclo-propenyle radical and butadiene. 5+2+3

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4. Answer ***any three*** questions :

a) Distinguish chemical potential from electrochemical potential. Derive Nernst equation based on the thermodynamic principle of equilibrium. 2+4

b) Define surface excess.

Derive $d\gamma = -q_M dV - \left(q_m / Z_j F\right) d\mu_j - \sum \Gamma_i d\mu_i$ for a polarizable electrode, where γ = interfacial tension and Γ_1 = surface excess for i-th type of species and all other terms bear usual significance. 1+5

c) i) How does the contact adsorption influence the capacity of the interface? Derive the necessary relation and explain.

ii) How can the extent of contact adsorption on the surface of an electrode determined from electrocapillary measurements? 3+3

d) i) Derive an expression of potential gradient $\left(d\Psi / dx\right)$ at a distance x from an electrode structured as Gouy-Chapman double layer.

ii) Using the above equation, show that the double layer is theoretically extended up to infinity. 4.5+1.5

5. Explain with necessary diagram the mechanisms of action of photovoltaic or photosynthetic cell. 2