

## IJSO 2021 Chemistry MCQ Solution

### Question 1

In a titration of acid mixture with base, the teacher prepared an acid mixture by mixing 4 mL of 4M HCl, 4 mL of 18M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and a certain volume of 4M HNO<sub>3</sub>, and then made up 3 L of solution using distilled water. She used an aqueous solution of Sodium Carbonate (Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>·10H<sub>2</sub>O) as base for the titration, that was prepared by dissolving 2g of (Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>·10H<sub>2</sub>O) in water and diluting to 100 mL with distilled water. After performing the titration, she observed that 15 mL of the acid mixture required 7.5 mL of Sodium Carbonate solution for complete neutralisation. The amount of nitrate ions in the acid mixture is

- a) 0.124 g
- b) 3.1 g correct answer
- c) 0.31 g
- d) 1.24 g

#### Solution:

Let the volume of HNO<sub>3</sub> acid be V mL.

$$\text{Total equiv. of the acid mixture} = [(4 \times V) + (4 \times 4) + (36 \times 4)] / 1000 \\ = (4V + 16 + 144) / 1000 = (4V + 160) / 1000$$

$$\text{equiv. of acid in 15 mL of this acid mixt.} = \frac{[(160 + 4V) / 1000] \times 15}{3000} \quad \text{Eq. 1}$$

$$\text{Now Normality of Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O solution} = (\text{g/L}) / \text{eq. wt.} = 20 / 143$$

$$\text{equiv. of 7.5 mL of Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O solution} = \frac{(20 / 143) \times 7.5}{1000}$$

$$\text{Thus equiv. of 15 mL of acid mixt.} = \text{equiv. of 7.5 mL of Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O solution.} \quad \text{Eq. 2}$$

$$\frac{(160 + 4V / 1000) \times 15}{3000} = \frac{(20 / 143) \times 7.5}{1000}$$

$$V = 12.44 \text{ mL}$$

$$\text{equiv. of 4N HNO}_3 \text{ in acid mixture} = (4 \times 12.44) / 1000 = 0.04976$$

$$\text{Equivalent of HNO}_3 = 50 / 1000 = 0.05$$

$$\text{Equivalence of NO}_3^{1-} = 0.05$$

$$\text{Weight of NO}_3^{1-} = \text{eq.} \times \text{eq. wt. of NO}_3^{1-} = 0.05 \times 62 = 3.1 \text{ g}$$

#### Alternate Solution:

Let the volume of HNO<sub>3</sub> acid be V mL.

$$\text{Total mmol of acid in mixture} = (4 \times 4) + (4 \times 18) + 4V \\ \text{HCl} \quad \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \quad \text{HNO}_3$$

$$\text{mmol of H}^+ \text{ in acid in mixture} = (4 \times 4) + (4 \times 18 \times 2) + 4V$$

Therefore Conc. Of  $H^+$  in acid mixt. =  $(16+144+4V)/3000$  mol/L



2mol of  $H^+$  = 1 mol  $Na_2CO_3$

$$15\text{mL acid mixt.} = \frac{[(160+ 4V)/1000]}{3000} \times 15 \quad \text{mol } H^+ \quad \text{Eq.1}$$

For  $Na_2CO_3$  mol in 7.5mL =  $(2/286) \times (7.5)/100$  mol  $Na_2CO_3$

As per stoichiometry

$$\{[(160+4V)/1000]/3000\} \times 15 = 2 \times (20/286) \times (7.5/1000)$$

Mol  $H^+$  mol  $Na_2CO_3$

$$V = 12.44 \text{ mL}$$

equiv. of 4N  $HNO_3$  in acid mixture =  $(4 \times 12.44)/1000 = 0.04976$

Equivalent of  $HNO_3$  =  $50/1000 = 0.05$

Equivalence of  $NO_3^{1-} = 0.05$

Weight of  $NO_3^{1-} = \text{eq.} \times \text{xeq.wt. of } NO_3^{1-} = 0.05 \times 62 = 3.1\text{g}$

## Question 2

UAE has vast reserves of limestone particularly in the eastern and northern parts of the Emirates. Jabel Hafeet Mountain is the part of Hajar mountains and made of predominantly tertiary sedimentary rock –Limestone. It is primarily composed of Calcite which is chemically Calcium carbonate. Calcite is used on a large scale as a building material.



A mason was designing a pattern of transparent calcite tiles that were to be fixed in the laboratory. He spread the tiles on the table to arrange different patterns. Accidentally two tiles from the pattern came loose and fell in a container having 100g of hydrochloric acid solution. Each pure calcite tile weighs exactly 20g, and hydrochloric acid solution in the container contains one tenth of its weight of pure acid. Assuming that both tiles dissolve equally, what is the weight of each tile that remain undissolved?

a) 26.31 g

- b) 13.15 g      correct answer  
 c) 6.31g  
 d) 13.69 g

**Solution:**

Chemical equation is  $\text{CaCO}_3 + 2\text{HCl} \rightarrow \text{CaCl}_2 + \text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$

100g      73g      111g      44g      18g

Wt. of HCl taken = 100g.    Wt. of pure acid in 100g of HCl solution =  $100 \times 0.1 = 10\text{g}$

From the equation,

73 g of HCl dissolves 100g of calcite tile

10 g of HCl dissolves  $(100/73) \times 10 = 13.69\text{g}$  of tile

Amount of each tile undissolved =  $(40 - 13.69)/2 = 26.31/2 = 13.15\text{ g}$

**Question 3**

The solid fuel in the booster stage of the space shuttle is a mixture of ammonium perchlorate ( $\text{NH}_4\text{ClO}_4$ ) and aluminium powder. On the ignition of this mixture the products obtained are solid aluminium oxide, gaseous hydrochloride, water, and nitrogen gas. Using following data find out the standard enthalpy change at 298K for the reaction.

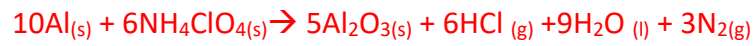
$\Delta_f^\circ H$  of  $\text{NH}_4\text{ClO}_4(\text{s}) = -295\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$        $\Delta_f^\circ H$  of  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3(\text{s}) = -1675.7\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$

$\Delta_f^\circ H$  of  $\text{HCl}(\text{g}) = -92.3\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$        $\Delta_f^\circ H$  of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) = -285.8\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$

- a) -9769 kJ

- b) -9732.7 kJ    correct answer  
c) -8625.1 kJ  
d) -8132.1 kJ

**Solution:**



$$\Delta H = H_P - H_R$$

$$H_P = 5(-1675.7) + 6(-92.3) + 9(-285.8)$$

$$= -8378.5 - 553.8 - 2572.2 = -11504.5 \text{ kJ}$$

$$H_R = 6(-295.3) = -1771.8$$

$$\Delta H = (-11504.5) - (-1771.8) = -9732.7 \text{ kJ}$$

#### Question 4

When a certain weight of solid potassium permanganate was treated with an excess of hydrogen peroxide at STP, the volume of oxygen formed was 168 L. What is the weight in kg of potassium permanganate used?

- a) 3.16 kg
- b) 0.158 kg
- c) 0.790 kg      correct answer
- d) 7.90 kg

#### Solution:



Volume at STP = 168 L hence mol of  $\text{O}_2$  =  $168/22.4 = 7.5 \text{ mol}$

2 mol  $\text{KMnO}_4 \equiv 3 \text{ mol O}_2$ . Hence mol  $\text{KMnO}_4$  reqd =  $(2 \times 7.5)/3 = 5 \text{ mol}$

=  $5 \times 158 = 790 \text{ g} = 0.790 \text{ kg}$

#### Question 5

X ray diffraction studies show that an alkaline earth metal has a face centred cubic structure with a unit cell width 0.197 nm. If the density of the metal is  $1.55 \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$ , the number of atoms present in 40 g of the metal are:

- a)  $3.37 \times 10^{24}$
- b)  $6.74 \times 10^{24}$
- c)  $1.35 \times 10^{25}$       correct answer
- d)  $2.70 \times 10^{25}$

#### Solution:

Volume of unit cell =  $(0.197 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})^3 = (0.197 \times 10^{-7} \text{ cm})^3 = 7.65 \times 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^3$

Volume of 40 g of metal = mass/density =  $40/1.55 = 25.81 \text{ cm}^3$

Number of unit cells in this volume =  $25.81 / 7.65 \times 10^{-24} = 3.37 \times 10^{24}$

Number of atoms in this volume =  $4[3.37 \times 10^{24}] = 1.35 \times 10^{25}$

### Question 6

The graphs in the table below represent conductometric titrations. Choose the appropriate entry/entries from graphs to match each of the entries in titrations. All entries in titrations refer to aqueous solutions. (Hint: Conductance depends on number of ions as well as nature of the ions).

	P	Q	R	S
Graph				
Titration				
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)

Graph and diagram Specifications:

X = Conductance; Y = Volume in the burette solution

(i) Acetic acid vs. Ammonia (in burette),

(ii) Silver nitrate vs. Potassium chloride (in burette)

(iii) Nitric acid vs. Ammonia (in burette)

(iv) Magnesium Sulphate vs. Barium Hydroxide (in burette)

- a) (i) → (R), (ii) → (S), (iii) → (Q), (iv) → (P)
- b) (i) → (R), (ii) → (S), (iii) → (P), (iv) → (Q)
- c) (i) → (P), (ii) → (S), (iii) → (R), (iv) → (Q)
- d) (i) → (S), (ii) → (Q), (iii) → (R), (iv) → (P)

correct answer

### Solution:

1- Ammonium acetate is a strong electrolyte.

2- Number of ions increases as potassium chloride is added.

3- Ammonium ion conducts less than proton.

4-  $Mg(OH)_2$  and  $BaSO_4$  precipitate out.

### Question 7

When a 1 g piece of metal (Atomic Weight 89) was dropped into dilute sulphuric acid, a large amount of gas was evolved. All the gas was collected and dried to remove moisture and was found to occupy a volume of  $378\text{cm}^3$  at STP. The resulting solution was electrolysed between platinum electrodes using a current of 1A for a period of 15 minutes. The following statements can be made about the above entire process:

- (A) The metal sulphate is  $MSO_4$
- (B) Oxygen is liberated at anode.

- (C) The gas collected is hydrogen.
- (D) Persulfate is produced at the anode.
- (E) The metal sulphate is  $M_2(SO_4)_3$
- (F) The percentage of metal recovered by electrolysis is about 26-27%.

Choose the right options:

- a) only options A, C, D are correct.
- b) only options B, C, E, F are correct. Correct answer
- c) only options C, D, E are correct.
- d) only options A, B, C, F are correct.

**Solution**

22400 cm<sup>3</sup> of hydrogen = 2 equivalents of hydrogen.

378 cm<sup>3</sup> of hydrogen = 0.03375 equivalents of hydrogen.

Metal produced = 0.03375 equivalents = 1 g.

Equivalent mass of the metal =  $1/0.03375 = 29.63$

Valency of metal = atomic mass/equivalent mass =  $89/29.63 = 3$ . The metal sulphate is  $M_2(SO_4)_3$

Charge passing through =  $1 \times 15 \times 60 = 900$  C

96500 Coulombs → 1 equiv of M gets liberated.

Hence 900C → only 0.0093 equivalents of metal gets liberated.

Therefore % recovery  $(0.0093/0.03375) \times 100 = 26.6\%$

**Question 8**

Ion exchange Resins are used to soften water. They contain sodium ions which get exchanged with 'hard' ions like  $Ca^{2+}$  and  $Mg^{2+}$ . Resins are not 100% efficient *i.e.* all sodium ions present in the resin do not get exchanged at once and may need repeated passage of a solution through the column to attain full efficiency.

Molecular formula of a commercial ion-exchange resin is  $C_7H_6SO_3Na$ . A 100 cm<sup>3</sup> solution containing 0.3 mol L<sup>-1</sup> of  $Mg^{2+}$  is passed through a column of ion exchange resin weighing 20g only once. What are the molarities of  $Mg^{2+}$  and  $Na^+$ , respectively, in the solution obtained after passing through the column, if the exchange efficiency is only 25 %.

- a) 0.13 M and 0.26 M

- b) 0.26 M and 0.17 M
- c) 0.17M and 0.26 M    correct answer
- d) 0.21 M and 0.14 M

**Solution:**

Molar mass of the resin =193

2 molecules of the resin take up one  $Mg^{2+}$  ion.

386g of resin takes up 1mol of  $Mg^{2+}$  ions.

1g of the resin can take  $2.59 \times 10^{-3}$  mol of  $Mg^{2+}$

20g of the resin can take  $51.8 \times 10^{-3}$  mol of  $Mg^{2+}$  or 51.8 mmol

Exchange efficiency is only 25%  $\rightarrow 0.25 \times 51.8$  mmol of  $Mg^{2+}$  is exchanged = 12.95 m mol of  $Mg^{2+}$  is exchanged.

Initial amount of  $Mg^{2+}$  is  $100 \times 0.3 = 30$  mmol

Amount exchanged = 12.95 mmol.

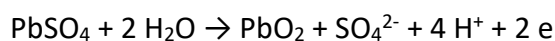
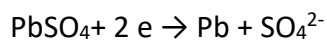
Amount left =  $30 - 12.95 = 17.05$  mmol

Molarity =  $17.05 / 100 = 0.17$  M

$Na^+$  molarity is twice the molarity of  $Mg^{2+}$  exchanged =  $25.9/100 = 0.259$  M

**Question 9**

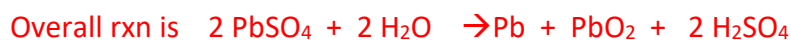
The electrode reactions involved in the charging process of a lead storage battery are:



In a certain lead storage battery containing 2 L of aqueous sulphuric acid, the specific gravity of the electrolyte was found to be 1.14 (20%  $H_2SO_4$  by weight). This was charged using average current of 1.67 A till the specific gravity rose to 1.28 (36.9%  $H_2SO_4$  by weight). What was the duration of the charging process?

- a) 80 hours    correct answer
- b) 100 hours
- c) 160 hours
- d) 188 hours

**Solution:**



Hence in this rxn., .eq. wt of  $H_2SO_4 = \text{mol wt} = 98$  (2 moles electrons for 2 mol  $H_2SO_4$ )

Before charging:  $(100/1.14)$  mL  $H_2SO_4$  soln contains  $(20/98)$  eq of  $H_2SO_4$

2000 mL soln =  $(20/98) \times 2000 / (100/1.14) = 4.65$  eq



After charging:  $2000 \text{ mL} = (36.9/98) \times 2000 \times (1.28/100) = 9.64 \text{ eq}$

No of eq  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  added = no of Faradays of charge used = 4.99 F  
=  $4.99 \times 96500$  coulombs

Av current = Charge in coulombs / time in sec

Time required for charging =  $4.99 \times 96500 / 1.67 = 288344 \text{ sec} = 80 \text{ hours}$

### Question 10

Arrange the molecules  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ ,  $\text{BF}_3$  and  $\text{NH}_3$  in order of their increasing dipole moment.

- a)  $\text{BF}_3 > \text{NH}_3 > \text{H}_2\text{S} > \text{H}_2\text{O}$
- b)  $\text{BF}_3 < \text{H}_2\text{S} < \text{H}_2\text{O} < \text{NH}_3$
- c)  $\text{BF}_3 < \text{H}_2\text{S} < \text{NH}_3 < \text{H}_2\text{O}$  correct answer
- d)  $\text{H}_2\text{S} > \text{NH}_3 > \text{BF}_3 > \text{H}_2\text{O}$

Molecule	Dipole Moment (D)
$\text{BF}_3$	0
$\text{H}_2\text{S}$	0.95
$\text{NH}_3$	1.47
$\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.85

#### Solution:

$\text{BF}_3$  is symmetric, zero dipole

$\text{NH}_3$  is pyramidal, N-H bond moment is larger than S-H bond moment

O-H bond moment larger than S-H bond moment

O is more electronegative than S