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**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2008/2009 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR 1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF**

**STREAM: BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SCIENCE) & BACHELOR OF  
EDUCATION**

**SCH 200: ATOMIC STRUCTURE & CHEMICAL BONDING**

**END SEMESTER: I**

**TIME: 3 HOURS**

**DAY: WEDNESDAY 8.00 TO 11,00A.M.**

**DATE: 25/02/2009**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. *All questions have equal marks*
2. *Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **FOUR** questions*
3. *electronic calculators may be used*
4. *Show all your working **CLEARLY***
5. *Marks are indicated in brackets (    )*

**LIST OF CONSTANTS**

Planck's Constant,	$h$	=	$6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$
Electronic Mass,	$m_e$	=	$9.1094 \times 10^{-31} \text{ Kg}$
Electronic charge,	$e$	=	$1.6022 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
Permittivity constant	$\epsilon_0$	=	$8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2\text{J}^{-1}\text{m}^{-1}$
Speed of Light	$c$	=	$3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$
Reduced Planck's Constant,	$\hbar$	=	$1.05457 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$

**QUESTION ONE - COMPULSORY**

- Q.1) a) Using the sine and cosine function  
 $\psi = A \sin(Kx) + B \cos(Kx)$   
Derive the solution of the Schrödinger equation for a particle in a box.  
Take  $K = (2mE)^{1/2} \hbar^{-1}$  (12 mks)
- b) Find the Transition energy of the light emitted when a  $1 \times 10^{-27} \text{ g}$  particle in 34 one-dimensional box goes from the  $n = 2$  to the  $n = 1$  level (2 mks)
- Q.2) a) Distinguish between an orbital and electronic charge density (2 mks)
- b) Draw the charge cloud diagram for (2 mks)
- i) 2s – orbital

- ii) 35 – orbital
- c) State three properties of a well behaved wave function. (3 mks)
- d) i) Calculate the De Broglie wavelength associated with the electron in the hydrogen atom. (3 mks)
- ii) According to Schrödinger, what does each of the following quantum numbers describe Principal quantum number, Angular momentum quantum number and magnetic quantum number (4 mks)
- Q.3) a) Diatomic Molecule for Neon,  $\text{Ne}_2$  does not exist. Explain using the Molecular orbital theory. (3 mks)
- b) i) Draw the molecular orbital energy level diagram for the ground state of the oxygen molecule  $\text{O}_2$  and write the electronic configuration. (5 mks)
- ii) State and explain the number of sigma,  $\delta$  and Pi,  $\pi$  bonds in a  $\text{O}_2$  molecule (3 mks)
- iii) is the Oxygen-Oxygen bond a single, double or Triple bond? (1 mk)
- iv) What is the bond order of the oxygen-oxygen bond? (2 mks)
- Q.4) a) i) Use the abbreviated electron configurations to show the formation of the ionic compound. Magnesium Fluoride from magnesium atoms and Fluorine atoms. (2 mks)
- ii) What is the formula for magnesium Fluoride? (1 mk)
- b) Define the term Lattice Energy (2 mks)
- c) i) Given the information below, use a Born-Haber cycle to calculate the Energy change associated with the reaction. (5 mks)
- $$\text{K}^+_{(g)} + \text{Br}^-_{(g)} \longrightarrow \text{KBr}_{(s)}$$
- 1)  $\text{K}_{(s)} \longrightarrow \text{K}_{(g)} \quad \Delta H^\circ_1 = 77\text{Kj}$
- 2)  $\text{Br}_{2(1)} \longrightarrow \text{Br}_{2(g)} \quad \Delta H^\circ_2 = 30 \text{Kj}$
- 3)  $\text{Br}_{2(g)} \longrightarrow 2\text{Br}_{(g)} \quad \Delta H^\circ_3 = 194\text{Kj}$
- 4)  $\text{K}_{(g)} \longrightarrow \text{K}^+_{(g)} + \text{e}^- \quad \Delta H^\circ_4 = 419\text{Kj}$
- 5)  $\text{Br}_{(g)} + \text{e}^- \longrightarrow \text{Br}^-_{(g)} \quad \Delta H^\circ_5 = 324 \text{Kj}$
- 6)  $2 \text{K}_{(s)} + \text{Br}_{2(1)} \longrightarrow 2\text{KBr}_{(s)} \quad \Delta H^\circ_6 = 788 \text{Kj}$

- ii) Determine the Lattice energy for solid KBr. (2 mks)
- iii) Explain the source of energy that separates the oppositely charged ions in a Crystal of an Ionic Solid from each other when dissolving. (2 mks)

- Q.5) a) Calculate the third (rd) ionization potential for Lithium ( $Z = 3$ ) (3 mks)
- b) Given that the allowed bound state Energy levels of Hydrogen-Like atoms is given by:

$$E = \frac{-Z^2 m e^4}{32 \pi^2 \sum^2 \hbar^2} \cdot \frac{1}{n^2}$$

Calculate the total energy of two electrons in the  $n = 2$  level of Hydrogen atom (5 mks)

- c) i) The S-orbital does not have the Angular momentum, in other words, the S-orbital does not depend on the angular co-ordinates. Explain (2 mks)
  - ii) A sodium atom, Na is larger than a sodium ion,  $\text{Na}^+$  while a chloride ion,  $\text{Cl}^-$  is larger than a chlorine atom, Cl. Explain (2 mks)
  - iii) An aqueous solution of  $\text{AlCl}_3$  is acidic. Explain (2 mks)
- Q.6) a) i) Give the Lewis definition for Acids and bases (1 mk)
- ii) Distinguish between a complex ion and a Ligand (2 mks)
- b) Picture the formation of  $\text{HCO}_3^-$  as a Lewis acid-base reaction between  $\text{OH}^-$  and  $\text{CO}_2$  (2 mks)
- c) Briefly describe any TWO properties of Ionic compounds and explain how ionic bonding accounts for these properties. (2 mks)
- d) Use the bond energies indicated to estimate  $(\text{Kr}) \Delta H_{\text{rxn}}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  for the reaction: (3 mks)
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| Bond Energies, | $\text{CO}_{(g)}$ | + | $\text{OH}_{(g)}$ | $\longrightarrow$ | $\text{CO}_{2(g)}$ | + | $\text{H}_{(g)}$ |
|                | 1075              |   | 464               |                   | 799                |   |                  |
- Kj/NoI
- e) Explain the following observations
- i) The electrical conductivity of metals decreases with increased temperature. (2 mks)
  - ii) Metals have a characteristic shiny appearance (2 mks)