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CHEMISTRY

(Major)

Course : 507

(Symmetry and Quantum Chemistry)

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for the questions*

(New Course)

Full Marks : 48

Pass Marks : 14

Time : 2 hours

1. Select the correct answer from the following :

1×5=5

(a) The function which is acceptable in quantum mechanics over the range x varying between 0 and 2π is

(i) $\cos x$

(ii) $\tan x$

(iii) $\cot x$

(iv) $\operatorname{cosec} x$

(b) According to quantum mechanics, the correct wave function is

(i) $\psi_{1,1,0}$ (ii) $\psi_{2,1,0}$

(iii) $\psi_{2,-1,0}$ (iv) $\psi_{3,3,0}$

(c) The degree of degeneracy of the energy level

$$\frac{17h^2}{8ma^2}$$

of a particle in a cubical box is

(i) 3 (ii) 0

(iii) 2 (iv) 6

(d) $\sin(k_1x) \sin(k_2y) \sin(k_3z)$ is an eigenfunction of operator ∇^2 . Eigenvalue is

(i) $-(k_1^2 + k_2^2 + k_3^2)$ (ii) $(k_1^2 + k_2^2 + k_3^2)$

(iii) 1 (iv) $(k_1^2 + k_2^2)$

(e) The point group of CH_4 is

(i) T_d (ii) D_{2h}

(iii) C_{2v} (iv) C_{3v}

2. Answer any five questions from the following : 2×5=10

(a) Explain rotation-reflection axis (S_n) in symmetry.

(b) Write down the Hamiltonian operator for H_2^+ ion with proper significance of each term.

(c) Write down the operators corresponding to momentum and kinetic energy.

(d) An electron is confined to a molecule of length 1 nm. Find its zero-point energy.

(e) What are orthogonal and normalized wave functions?

(f) Show that the following functions are orthogonal in the interval $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$:

(i) $\left(\frac{1}{\pi}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cos nx$

(ii) $\left(\frac{1}{\pi}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin nx$

UNIT—I

3. Answer any *three* questions from the following : 3×3=9

- (a) Write down the symmetry elements and point groups of the following :
- (i) C_2H_4
 - (ii) $[PtCl_4]^{2-}$
 - (iii) $CHCl_3$
- (b) Explain with suitable examples the following symmetry elements and the associated symmetry operations :
- (i) Axis of rotation
 - (ii) Symmetry planes
 - (iii) Centre of inversion
- (c) Construct the group multiplication table for the point group C_{3v} .
- (d) Write short notes on any *one* of the following :
- (i) Great orthogonality theorem
 - (ii) Abelian groups and non-Abelian groups

UNIT—II

Answer any *two* questions :

9×2=18

4. (a) Explain the meaning of the term 'degenerate energy levels' by taking the example of a free particle in a cubical box. What would happen to the degeneracy when the cubical box is distorted? 3
- (b) Deduce the Schrödinger's wave equation on the basis of classical wave concept. 3
- (c) A particle of mass m is confined in a one-dimensional box of length a . Calculate the probability of finding the particle in the region $0 \leq x \leq \frac{a}{2}$. 3
5. (a) Solve Schrödinger's wave equation for a particle moving freely in a one-dimensional box. Find the eigenfunction and energy. 5
- (b) For a particle of mass m in a one-dimensional box of length a , show that ψ_1 and ψ_2 are orthogonal. 4
6. (a) Write down the equation showing Hamiltonian operator for one-dimensional harmonic oscillator. 2

- (b) Prove that 1s wave function of hydrogen atom given by

$$\psi_{1s}, \text{ i.e., } \psi_{1, 0, 0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi a_0^3}} e^{-r/a_0}$$

is a normalized wave function, where a_0 represents Bohr radius. 4

- (c) Write down the Schrödinger's wave equations for the (i) rigid rotator and (ii) hydrogen atom in spherical polar coordinates. 3

UNIT—III

7. (a) Explain the valence bond treatment for H_2 molecule. 4

Or

- (i) Explain why H_2 molecule is more stable than H_2^+ molecule ion. 2
- (ii) State the conditions for effective combination of atomic orbitals to form molecular orbitals. 2

- (b) Write the differences between bonding and antibonding molecular orbitals. 2

Or

Write the molecular orbital configuration of CN^- ion and predict its magnetic character.

(7)

(Old Course)

Full Marks : 48

Pass Marks : 19

Time : 3 hours

1. Select the correct answer from the following : 1×5=5

(a) The function which is acceptable in quantum mechanics over the range x varying between 0 to 2π is

(i) $\cos x$

(ii) $\tan x$

(iii) $\cot x$

(iv) $\operatorname{cosec} x$

(b) A wave function ψ satisfies the equation

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \psi^* \psi dx = 1$$

The function is said to be

(i) diagonal

(ii) normalized

(iii) orthogonal

(iv) orthonormal

(c) The degree of degeneracy of the energy level

$$\frac{17h^2}{8ma^2}$$

of a particle in a cubical box is

(i) 3

(ii) 0

(iii) 2

(iv) 6

(d) The operator corresponding to the total energy of a system written as the sum of kinetic energy and potential energy is called

- (i) Hamiltonian operator
- (ii) kinetic energy operator
- (iii) momentum operator
- (iv) None of the above

(e) The point group of CH_4 is

- (i) T_d
- (ii) D_{2h}
- (iii) C_{2v}
- (iv) C_{3v}

2. Answer any *five* questions from the following : 2×5=10

- (a) Explain rotation-reflection axis (S_n) in symmetry.
- (b) Write any two differences between VBT and MOT.
- (c) Write down the operators corresponding to momentum and kinetic energy.
- (d) Calculate the zero-point vibrational energy of a one-particle, one-dimensional system, if

$$E_v = \left(v + \frac{1}{2} \right) h \nu_0$$

- (e) What are orthogonal and normalized wave functions?
- (f) Show that the energy spacing for a particle restricted in one-dimensional box is not equal.

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 - (iii) $CHCl_3$
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- (i) Axis of rotation
 - (ii) Symmetry planes
 - (iii) Centre of inversion
- (c) Construct the group multiplication table for the point group C_{3v} .
- (d) Explain the terms 'reducible' and 'irreducible' representation.

UNIT—II

Answer any *two* questions :

9×2=18

4. (a) Sketch ψ and ψ^2 for the states $n = 3$ and $n = 4$ of a particle in a one-dimensional box. 3
- (b) Solve Schrödinger's wave equation for a particle moving freely in a three-dimensional box. Find the eigenfunction and energy. 4
- (c) Explain the meaning of the term 'degenerate energy levels'. 2
5. (a) Define rigid rotator. Write the Schrödinger's wave equation for this system and separate the variables. 1+4=5
- (b) For a particle of mass m in a one-dimensional box of length a , show that ψ_1 and ψ_2 are orthogonal. 4
6. (a) Sketch the variation of radial probability density against the distance from the nucleus for 2s state for hydrogen atom. 2

- (b) Prove that 1s wave function of hydrogen atom given by

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is a normalized wave function, where a_0 represents Böhr radius. 4

- (c) Write down the Schrödinger's wave equations for the (i) simple harmonic oscillator and (ii) hydrogen atom. 3

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