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TITLE OF PAPER : **Advanced Analytical Chemistry**
COURSE NUMBER : **C404**
TIME ALLOWED : **Three Hours**
INSTRUCTIONS : **Answer any FOUR(4) questions.
Each question carries 25 marks.**

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Question 1(25 marks).

- a) Account for the variation in the conductance of an electrolyte and that of a metallic conductor as temperature increases (4)
- b) Given the following terms:
Specific conductance, k , conductance, G , and cell constant, K .
Define each of the terms and state their S.I units. Obtain an expression relating all the terms together (6)
- c) Given the following Table of Limiting molar conductance of ions in water at 25°C:

Cations	Li ⁺	Na ⁺	K ⁺	Rb ⁺	Mg ²⁺	Ca ²⁺	Ba ²⁺
$\Lambda^{\circ}_+/\text{Scm}^2\text{mol}^{-1}$	38.6	50.1	73.5	77.8	53.1	59.5	63.6

Based on the concept of ionic atmosphere in solutions, account for the variation in λ° values of the cations (3)

- d) Suppose that 0.5M solutions of HCl and CH₃COOH were diluted serially in several stages to 0.001M. If the molar conductance at each stage was recorded, show a plot of the expected variation of Λ with \sqrt{c} . Offer an explanation for the expected shapes and state how any useful information can be obtained from either of the two curves. (7)
- e) During the determination of the solubility of AgCl, the specific conductance of the specially purified water used was found to be $8.1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ Scm}^{-1}$ at 25°C. Solid AgCl was added to the same water unto saturation at 25°C and the specific conductance was $26.2 \times 10^{-7} \text{ Scm}^{-1}$.
Calculate the solubility product of AgCl.

$$(\lambda^{\circ}_{\text{Ag}^+} = 61.9, \text{ and } \lambda^{\circ}_{\text{Cl}^-} = 76.4 \text{ Scm}^2\text{mol}^{-1}) \quad (5)$$

Question 2(25 marks)

- a) What are the salient properties of an ideal reference electrolyte? (4)
- b) For the Ag/AgCl reference electrode:
- Write the half-cell reaction and its shorthand notation. (2)
 - Write the Nernst equation for its potential and show that the potential depends on the [KCL], the filling solution
 - Draw a labeled schematic diagram of this electrode and briefly describe its preparation (5)
 - Give one advantage and one disadvantage of this electrode when compared with the saturated calomel electrode (SCE) (2)

(v). Which is more temperature dependent – the one prepared using saturated KCl or the one prepared using 3.5M KCl? Explain. [4]

©. A Cell was prepared by dipping a Pt-wire(indicator electrode), and a S.C.E. into a solution containing a 0.2M Fe^{3+} and 0.1M Fe^{2+} and the two were connected to a potentiometer so that the Pt-wire is the cathode while the S.C.E. is the anode.

Calculate the theoretical cell voltage, given that:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Fe}^{3+} + e^- & \quad E^0 = +0.771\text{V} \\ E_{\text{ref}} & = 0.245\text{V (i.e. } E_{\text{sce}} = 0.245\text{V)} \\ E_{\text{ij}} & = 0, \text{ and Activity Coefficient} = 1.0 \end{aligned} \quad [5]$$

Question 3(25 marks)

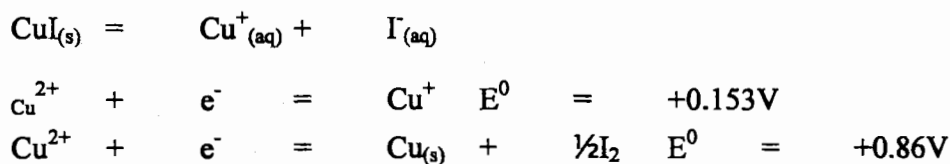
(a) Which would you prefer for the analysis of iron in a sample – an electrochemical or a spectrophotometric method, and why? [2]

(b). Discuss the function and working principles of a salt bridge in an electrochemical cell. [3]

©. What is ohmic potential? How does it affect:

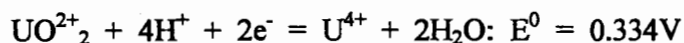
- (i), The observed potential of a galvanic cell, and
 (ii). The potential required to operate an electrolytic cell? [3]

(d). Given the following reactions:



Calculate the solubility product constant, K_{sp} , for $\text{CuI}_{(s)}$. [5]

(e) Given the following half – reactions of a cell:



- (i). Obtain the net cell reaction.
 (ii). Determine ΔG and the equilibrium constant, K .
 (iii). If $[\text{VO}_2^+] = 0.1\text{M}$; $[\text{UO}_2^{2+}] = 0.01\text{M}$ and $[\text{U}^{4+}] = 0.1\text{M}$.

Determine the E_{cell} ; write the cell notation and indicate the direction of spontaneous reaction. Assume that Pt-electrodes are used in the half – cells. [12]

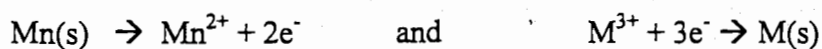
Question 4(25 marks).

- a) Define the 'selectivity coefficient' of an Ion Selective Electrode(ISE). Suppose that an ISE designed for measuring A^+ has the following selectivity coefficients for ions B, C, D & E
 $K_{A^+,B^+} = 0.01 : K_{A^+,C^+} = 0.08 : K_{A^+,D^+} = 0.04 ; K_{A^+,E^+} = 0.1$
Arrange the ions in an increasing order of the electrode's sensitivity to them. How is this interpreted in terms of their relative interference with the ion A^+ , using this electrode? (4)
- b) If you were to determine H^+ , Na^+ , and K^+ in separate solutions, which of the following glass electrodes would you employ for the measurement of each of them respectively:
The pH-type, the cation-sensitive type, Sodium sensitive type. Why? (4)
- c) With a diagrammatic support, describe the construction, the working principles and the potentials of a Ca^{2+} ion selective Electrode. Give two interfering ions of this electrode (9)
- c) When a Na^+ - I.S.E with a selectivity coefficient, $k_{Na^+,H^+} = 36$, was immersed in $1.00 \times 10^{-3} M NaCl$ at a pH 8, a potential of $-38 mV$ (vs SCE) was recorded. Assuming unit activity coefficients and that $\beta = 1$. Calculate the potential when
- i) The electrode was immersed in $5.00 \times 10^{-3} M NaCl$ at a pH 8
ii) $[NaCl] = 1.00 \times 10^{-3}$ at pH 3.87

From the results obtained in (i) & (ii), comment on the importance of pH in the use of a Na^+ ISE. (8)

Question 5 (25 marks)

- a) What are the requisite physical properties that assure adequate electrodeposition of a metal? What factors influence the physical characteristics of such deposits? (4)
- b) What is a potentiostat? Draw a well labeled diagram of a typical one (6)
- c) Explain how controlled cathode potential electrolysis is more selective than the constant cell-voltage electrolysis. Discuss the application of this unique feature (advantage) of controlled cathode potential electrolysis. (6)
- d) A solution containing Mn^{2+} and a second metal ion, M^{3+} was placed in an electrolysis cell in which the electrodes, Pt and Mn are connected to the power supply. The two reactions occurring in the cell are:



The initial volume of the filled cell was 1.00L, and the initial concentration of Mn^{2+} was $2.50 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}$

- i) Identify the anode and the cathode among the electrodes.
- ii) On passing a constant current of 2.60 A through the cell for 18.00 min; 0.504g of the metal M was deposited on the Pt electrode. Determine the atomic weight of M.
- iii) What will be the concentration of Mn^{2+} in the cell at the end of the experiment? (9)

Question 6 (25 marks)

- a) Distinguish between
 - i) A limiting current and residual current
 - ii) Differential pulse polarography and square wave polarography.
- b) Explain the occurrence a polarographic wave (i.e. the oscillating current), in a polarogram. (4)
- c) Discuss the effects of the following factors on the polarogram's shape and hence on the polarographic data.
 - i) Current maxima
 - ii) Presence of OxygenState steps usually taken to minimize their effects (8)
- d) Briefly discuss the working principles of differential pulse polarography. Account for its enhanced sensitivity over the conventional (d.c.) polarography. (8)
- e) In using the polarographic method for the estimation of the oxygen level in water, the limiting current for the first 2-electron oxygen reduction was $2.11 \mu\text{A}$. The capillary used had $m=2.0 \text{ mgs}^{-1}$ and $t=5.00\text{s}$ at -0.05 V . If the diffusion coefficient, $D= 2.12 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$, calculate the oxygen level in the water in
 - i) mM (millimoles/L)
 - ii) p.p.m. (5)

PERIODIC TABLE OF ELEMENTS

GROUPS

PERIODS	GROUPS																	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	IA	IIA	IIIB	IVB	VB	VIB	VIIIB		VIIIB		IB	IIB	IIIA	IVA	VA	VIA	VIIA	VIIIA
1	1.008 H																	4.003 He
2	6.941 Li	9.012 Be																
3	22.990 Na	24.305 Mg																
4	39.098 K	40.078 Ca																
5	85.468 Rb	87.62 Sr																
6	132.91 Cs	137.33 Ba																
7	223 Fr	226.03 Ra																

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Atomic mass	Symbol	Atomic No.	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36																													
44.956	Sc	21	47.88	Ti	22	50.942	V	23	51.996	Cr	24	54.938	Mn	25	55.847	Fe	26	58.933	Co	27	58.69	Ni	28	63.546	Cu	29	65.39	Zn	30	69.723	Ga	31	72.61	Ge	32	74.922	As	33	78.96	Se	34	79.904	Br	35	83.80	Kr	36
88.906	Y	39	91.224	Zr	40	92.906	Nb	41	95.94	Mo	42	98.907	Tc	43	101.07	Ru	44	102.91	Rh	45	106.42	Pd	46	107.87	Ag	47	112.41	Cd	48	114.82	In	49	118.71	Sn	50	121.75	Sb	51	127.60	Te	52	126.90	I	53	131.29	Xe	54
138.91	*La	57	178.49	Hf	72	180.95	Ta	73	183.85	W	74	186.21	Re	75	190.2	Os	76	192.22	Ir	77	195.08	Pt	78	196.97	Au	79	200.59	Hg	80	204.38	Tl	81	207.2	Pb	82	208.98	Bi	83	(209)	Po	84	(210)	At	85	(222)	Rn	86
(227)	**Ac	89	(261)	Rf	104	(262)	Ha	105	(263)	Unh	106	(262)	Uns	107	(265)	Uno	108	(266)	Unc	109	(267)	Uun	110																								

*Lanthanide Series

**Actinide Series

140.12	Ce	58	140.91	Pr	59	144.24	Nd	60	(145)	Pm	61	150.36	Sm	62	151.96	Eu	63	157.25	Gd	64	158.93	Tb	65	162.50	Dy	66	164.93	Ho	67	167.26	Er	68	168.93	Tm	69	173.04	Yb	70	174.97	Lu	71
232.04	Th	90	231.04	Pa	91	238.03	U	92	237.05	Np	93	(244)	Pu	94	(243)	Am	95	(247)	Cm	96	(247)	Bk	97	(251)	Cf	98	(252)	Es	99	(257)	Fm	100	(258)	Md	101	(259)	No	102	(260)	Lr	103

() indicates the mass number of the isotope with the longest half-life.

Quantity	Symbol	Value	General data and fundamental constants
Speed of light†	c	$2.997\,924\,58 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$	
Elementary charge	e	$1.602\,177 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$	
Faraday constant	$F = eN_A$	$9.6485 \times 10^4 \text{ C mol}^{-1}$	
Boltzmann constant	k	$1.380\,66 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$	
Gas constant	$R = kN_A$	$8.314\,51 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ $8.205\,78 \times 10^{-2}$ $\text{dm}^3 \text{ atm K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ $62.364 \text{ L Torr K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$	
Planck constant	h	$6.626\,08 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$	
	$\hbar = h/2\pi$	$1.054\,57 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$	
Avogadro constant	N_A	$6.022\,14 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$	
Atomic mass unit	u	$1.660\,54 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$	
Mass of electron	m_e	$9.109\,39 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$	
proton	m_p	$1.672\,62 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$	
neutron	m_n	$1.674\,93 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$	
Vacuum permeability†	μ_0	$4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ J s}^2 \text{ C}^{-2} \text{ m}^{-1}$ $4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ T}^2 \text{ J}^{-1} \text{ m}^2$	
Vacuum permittivity	$\epsilon_0 = 1/c^2 \mu_0$	$8.854\,19 \times 10^{-12} \text{ J}^{-1} \text{ C}^2 \text{ m}^{-1}$ $4\pi \epsilon_0$ $1.112\,65 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J}^{-1} \text{ C}^2 \text{ m}^{-1}$	
Bohr magneton	$\mu_B = e\hbar/2m_e$	$9.274\,02 \times 10^{-24} \text{ J T}^{-1}$	
Nuclear magneton	$\mu_N = e\hbar/2m_p$	$5.050\,79 \times 10^{-27} \text{ J T}^{-1}$	
Electron g value	g_e	2.002 32	
Bohr radius	$a_0 = 4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar^2/m_e e^2$	$5.291\,77 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}$	
Rydberg constant	$R_\infty = m_e e^4/8h^3 c$	$1.097\,37 \times 10^5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$	
Fine structure constant	$\alpha = \mu_0 e^2 c/2h$	$7.297\,35 \times 10^{-3}$	
Gravitational constant	G	$6.672\,59 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N m}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2}$	
Standard acceleration of free fall†	g	$9.806\,65 \text{ m s}^{-2}$	

† Exact (defined) values

f	p	n	μ	m	c	d	k	M	G	Prefixes
femto	pico	nano	micro	milli	centi	deci	kilo	mega	giga	
10^{-15}	10^{-12}	10^{-9}	10^{-6}	10^{-3}	10^{-2}	10^{-1}	10^3	10^6	10^9	

APPENDIX C POTENTIALS OF SELECTED HALF-REACTIONS AT 25 °C

A summary of oxidation/reduction half-reactions arranged in order of decreasing oxidation strength and useful for selecting reagent systems.

Half-reaction	E° (V)
$F_2(g) + 2H^+ + 2e^- = 2HF$	3.06
$O_3 + 2H^+ + 2e^- = O_2 + H_2O$	2.07
$S_2O_8^{2-} + 2e^- = 2SO_4^{2-}$	2.01
$Ag^+ + e^- = Ag$	2.00
$H_2O_2 + 2H^+ + 2e^- = 2H_2O$	1.77
$MnO_4^- + 4H^+ + 3e^- = MnO_2(s) + 2H_2O$	1.70
$Ce(IV) + e^- = Ce(III) \text{ (in 1M HClO}_4\text{)}$	1.61
$H_2IO_6 + H^+ + 2e^- = IO_3^- + 3H_2O$	1.6
$Bi_2O_4 \text{ (bismuthate)} + 4H^+ + 2e^- = 2BiO^+ + 2H_2O$	1.59
$BrO_3^- + 6H^+ + 5e^- = \frac{1}{2}Br_2 + 3H_2O$	1.52
$MnO_4^- + 8H^+ + 5e^- = Mn^{2+} + 4H_2O$	1.51
$PbO_2 + 4H^+ + 2e^- = Pb^{2+} + 2H_2O$	1.455
$Cl_2 + 2e^- = 2Cl^-$	1.36
$Cr_2O_7^{2-} + 14H^+ + 6e^- = 2Cr^{3+} + 7H_2O$	1.33
$MnO_2(s) + 4H^+ + 2e^- = Mn^{2+} + 2H_2O$	1.23
$O_2(g) + 4H^+ + 4e^- = 2H_2O$	1.229
$IO_3^- + 6H^+ + 5e^- = \frac{1}{2}I_2 + 3H_2O$	1.20
$Br_2(l) + 2e^- = 2Br^-$	1.065
$ICl_2 + e^- = \frac{1}{2}I_2 + 2Cl^-$	1.06
$VO_2^+ + 2H^+ + e^- = VO^{2+} + H_2O$	1.00
$HNO_2 + H^+ + e^- = NO(g) + H_2O$	1.00
$NO_3^- + 3H^+ + 2e^- = HNO_2 + H_2O$	0.94
$2Hg^{2+} + 2e^- = Hg_2^{2+}$	0.92
$Cu^{2+} + I^- + e^- = CuI(s)$	0.86
$Ag^+ + e^- = Ag$	0.799
$Hg_2^{2+} + 2e^- = 2Hg$	0.79
$Fe^{3+} + e^- = Fe^{2+}$	0.771
$O_2(g) + 2H^+ + 2e^- = H_2O_2$	0.682
$2HgCl_2 + 2e^- = Hg_2Cl_2(s) + 2Cl^-$	0.63
$Hg_2SO_4(s) + 2e^- = 2Hg + SO_4^{2-}$	0.615
$Sb_2O_5 + 6H^+ + 4e^- = 2SbO^+ + 3H_2O$	0.581
$H_3AsO_4 + 2H^+ + 2e^- = HAsO_2 + 2H_2O$	0.559
$I_3^- + 2e^- = 3I^-$	0.545
$Cu^+ + e^- = Cu$	0.52
$VO^{2+} + 2H^+ + e^- = V^{3+} + H_2O$	0.337
$Fe(CN)_6^{3-} + e^- = Fe(CN)_6^{4-}$	0.36
$Cu^{2+} + 2e^- = Cu$	0.337
$UO_2^{2+} + 4H^+ + 2e^- = U^{4+} + 2H_2O$	0.334

(continued)

APPENDIX C (continued)

Half-reaction		E° (V)
$\text{Hg}_2\text{Cl}_2(\text{s}) + 2\text{e}^-$	$= 2\text{Hg} + 2\text{Cl}^-$	0.2676
$\text{BiO}^+ + 2\text{H}^+ + 3\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Bi} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.32
$\text{AgCl}(\text{s}) + \text{e}^-$	$= \text{Ag} + \text{Cl}^-$	0.2222
$\text{SbO}^+ + 2\text{H}^+ + 3\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Sb} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.212
$\text{CuCl}_2 + \text{e}^-$	$= \text{Cu} + 2\text{Cl}^-$	0.178
$\text{SO}_4^{2-} + 4\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{SO}_2(\text{aq}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.17
$\text{Sn}^{4+} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Sn}^{2+}$	0.15
$\text{S} + 2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{H}_2\text{S}(\text{g})$	0.14
$\text{TiO}^{2+} + 2\text{H}^+ + \text{e}^-$	$= \text{Ti}^{3+} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.10
$\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= 2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$	0.08
$\text{AgBr}(\text{s}) + \text{e}^-$	$= \text{Ag} + \text{Br}^-$	0.071
$2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{H}_2$	0.0000
$\text{Pb}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Pb}$	-0.126
$\text{Sn}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Sn}$	-0.136
$\text{AgI}(\text{s}) + \text{e}^-$	$= \text{Ag} + \text{I}^-$	-0.152
$\text{Mo}^{3+} + 3\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Mo}$	approx. -0.2
$\text{N}_2 + 5\text{H}^+ + 4\text{e}^-$	$= \text{H}_2\text{NNH}_3^+$	-0.23
$\text{Ni}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Ni}$	-0.246
$\text{V}^{3+} + \text{e}^-$	$= \text{V}^{2+}$	-0.255
$\text{Co}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Co}$	-0.277
$\text{Ag}(\text{CN})_2^- + \text{e}^-$	$= \text{Ag} + 2\text{CN}^-$	-0.31
$\text{Cd}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Cd}$	-0.403
$\text{Cr}^{3+} + \text{e}^-$	$= \text{Cr}^{2+}$	-0.41
$\text{Fe}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Fe}$	-0.440
$2\text{CO}_2 + 2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$	-0.49
$\text{H}_3\text{PO}_3 + 2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{H}_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	-0.50
$\text{U}^{4+} + \text{e}^-$	$= \text{U}^{3+}$	-0.61
$\text{Zn}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Zn}$	-0.763
$\text{Cr}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Cr}$	-0.91
$\text{Mn}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Mn}$	-1.18
$\text{Zr}^{4+} + 4\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Zr}$	-1.53
$\text{Ti}^{3+} + 3\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Ti}$	-1.63
$\text{Al}^{3+} + 3\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Al}$	-1.66
$\text{Th}^{4+} + 4\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Th}$	-1.90
$\text{Mg}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Mg}$	-2.37
$\text{La}^{3+} + 3\text{e}^-$	$= \text{La}$	-2.52
$\text{Na}^+ + \text{e}^-$	$= \text{Na}$	-2.714
$\text{Ca}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Ca}$	-2.87
$\text{Sr}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^-$	$= \text{Sr}$	-2.89
$\text{K}^+ + \text{e}^-$	$= \text{K}$	-2.925
$\text{Li}^+ + \text{e}^-$	$= \text{Li}$	-3.045