# **UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND**

## SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

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TITLE OF PAPER:

INTRODUCTORY INORGANIC CHEMISTRY

# COURSE NUMBER: C201

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS:** 

THERE ARE SIX (6) QUESTIONS. ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS. EACH QUESTION IS WORTH 25 MARKS.

## A PERIODIC TABLE AND A TABLE OF CONSTANTS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED WITH THIS EXAMINATION PAPER.

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Question one

a)	What is the physical significance of a radial wave function R(r)?			
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b) If a wave function of a hydrogen atom is given by

 $\psi = (27-18b + 2b^2)\exp(-b/3)$ 

where  $b=Zr/a_0$ , give the expression for each of the following:

- i) radial part
- ii) angular part
- iii) radial distribution function.

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- c) For the wavefunction of a  $6dx^2-y^2$  orbital, sketch the diagram corresponding to
  - i) radial part
  - ii) radial distribution function

the number of unpaired electrons present:

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iii) angular part

Re<sup>2+</sup>

Nd<sup>2+</sup>

i)

ii)

d)

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- [8]
- e) Briefly state the de Broglie hypothesis. Your answer should include the appropriate equation. Briefly explain how the hypothesis has contributed to understanding of the properties of an electron.

For each of the following species, write the electron configuration and determine

[6]

### **Question Two**

- Consider the species Ga,  $Ga^+$  and  $Ga^{2+}$ . a)
  - For each of the species above, calculate the effective nuclear charge for an i) electron in the valence shell [12]
  - ii) Based on your calculated effective nuclear charge values, which of the species is expected to have the lowest ionization energy? Explain. [2]
- Consider the molecule  $IO_2F_3$ , where iodine, I, is the central atom. **b**)
  - Draw at least three non-equivalent Lewis structures of the molecule i)
  - Use formal charges to determine which one of the structures you have ii) drawn is the most reasonable.

#### **Question Three**

- For each of the following species, determine the molecular geometry and suggest a) an appropriate hybridization scheme for the central atom:
  - a)  $F_2O$  (O is the central atom)
  - b) SF<sub>4</sub>
  - c)  $BrF_5$  (Br is the central atom)

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- Consider the diatomic molecule C2. Using valence atomic orbitals and valence b) electrons only, answer the following questions:
  - i) Prepare a molecular orbital energy level diagram for the molecule,  $C_2$ . [Note that the diagram should not be filled with any electrons at this point].
  - Use the diagram in i) above to give electron configurations for  $C_2$  and ii)  $C_2^{2-}$ .
  - For each of the species, determine the number of unpaired electrons and iii) indicate whether the species is paramagnetic or diamagnetic.
  - For each of the species, calculate the bond order, and indicate which one is iv) expected to have a stronger bond and which one is expected to have a shorter bond

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## **Question Four**

- a) With the help of appropriate structures, suggest the nature of hydrogen bonding present in the following species:
  - i) Ammonium fluoride, NH<sub>4</sub>F
  - ii) CH<sub>3</sub>OH
  - iii) 1,4-benzene dicarboxylic acid:



- b) Use balanced equations to illustrate what happens when the following species are dissolved in water:
  - i) K<sub>2</sub>O
  - ii)  $A\ell_4C_3$
  - iii) Mg<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>

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c) For each of the following, sketch the structure and indicate the coordination number around the Lewis acid:

i)  $[BF_4]^-$  ii)  $Be^{2+}(aq)$  iii)  $SiF_6^{2-}$ 

iv) Na<sup>+</sup>(aq)

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## **Question Five**

a) For each of the groups (of the periodic table) given below, state the common oxidation state(s) which occur in oxides, and give the formula, M<sub>x</sub>O<sub>y</sub>, of each of such oxides:

i) group 1 ii) group 2 iii) group 13 iv) group 14 v) group 15 [10]

- b) Give a balanced equation for a reaction that is expected to take place when each of the following chlorides is added to water:
  - i)  $SiCl_4$  ii)  $PCl_5$  iii) HCl(g) [6]
- c) Give one example of an oxide and write a balanced reaction equation to illustrate its property as indicated below.
  - i) An acidic oxide that is soluble in water and show how it reacts with water
  - ii) A basic oxide that is soluble in water and show how it reacts with water
  - iii) An amphoteric oxide and show how it reacts with an acid and a base

## **Question Six**

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a) Identfy the species **A**, **B**, **C**, **D**, **E**, **F**, **G**, **H**, **I**, **J** and **K**:

i)	$CaC_2 + A \longrightarrow$	$Ca(OH)_2 + B$
ii)	C + NH <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>3</sub> NBCl <sub>3</sub>
iii)	D + heat	BaO+ E
iv)	$Cl_2(aq) + F \longrightarrow$	$\mathbf{G} + \operatorname{Br}_2(\operatorname{aq})$
V)	$SiCl_4 + H_2O \longrightarrow$	H+I
vi)	$SiO_2 + J \longrightarrow$	SiF <sub>4</sub> + <b>K</b>
		[11]

- b) Give an outline of the Born-Haber cycle for the formation of indium chloride, InCl<sub>3</sub>(s). [6]
- c) From a theoretical approach, give <u>three</u> factors that contribute to lattice energy of an ionic compound. Briefly <u>explain how</u> each factor affects lattice energy.

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Numbers below the symbol of the element indicates the atomic numbers. Atomic masses, above the symbol of the element, are based on the assigned relative atomic mass of  $^{12}C = exactly 12$ ; ( ) indicates the mass number of the isotope with the longest half-life.

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SOURCE: International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry, I. Mills, ed., *Quantities*, Units, and Symbols in Physical Chemistry, Blackwell Scientific Publications, Boston, 1988, pp 86-98.

# **Slater's Rules:**

1) Write the electron configuration for the atom using the following design, and groupings:

(1s)(2s,2p)(3s,3p) (3d) (4s,4p) (4d) (4f) (5s,5p), etc

2) Any electrons to the right of the electron of interest contributes zero to shielding.

3) All other electrons in the same grouping (or same principal quantum number,  $\mathbf{n}$ ) as the electron of interest shield to an extent of 0.35 nuclear charge units

4) If the electron of interest is an s or p electron:

All electrons with one less value (**n-1**)of the principal quantum number shield to an extent of 0.85 units of nuclear charge. All electrons with two less values (**n-2**) of the principal quantum number shield to an extent of 1.00 units.

5) If the electron of interest is an d or f electron:

All electrons to the left shield to an extent of 1.00 units of nuclear charge.

6) Sum the shielding amounts from steps 2 through 5 and subtract from the nuclear charge value to obtain the effective nuclear charge.

PHYSICAL CONSTANTS	Speed of light in a vacuum	c <sub>n</sub>	2.99792458 x 10 <sup>8</sup> m s <sup>-1</sup>
	Permittivity of a vacuum	$\epsilon_0$	8.854187816 x 10 <sup>-12</sup> F m
		$4\pi\epsilon_0$	$1.11264 \times 10^{-10} c^2 N^{-1} m^{-1}$
	Planck constant	h	6.6260755(40) x 10 <sup>-34</sup> J s
-	Elementary charge	е	1.60217733(49) x 10 <sup>-19</sup> C
•	Avogadro constant	$N_{\blacktriangle}$	6.0221367(36) x 10 <sup>23</sup> mo
	Boltzmann constant	k	1.380658(12) x 10 <sup>-23</sup> J K
	Gas constant	R	8.314510(70) J K <sup>-1</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup>
	Bohr radius	$a_0$	5.29177249(24) x 10 <sup>-11</sup> r
_	Rydberg constant	·	
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		✓ R <sub>H</sub>	1.0967 x 10 <sup>7</sup> m
	<b>_</b>		(proton nuclear mass)
	Bohr magneton	$\mu_{\mathbf{B}}$	9.2740154(31) x 10 <sup>-24</sup> J
		π	3.14159265359
<i>.</i>	Faraday constant	F	9.6485309(29)x10 <sup>4</sup> Cm
· · ·	Atomic mass unit	$m_{u}$	$1.6605402(10) \ge 10^{-27} \text{ k}$
	Mass of the electron	_m <sub>e</sub>	9.109 x 10 <sup>-31</sup> k
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	Mass of the proton		1.007076470(10)
	Mass of the neutron	m <sub>p</sub>	$1.007270470(12) m_{\rm u}$
-	Mass of the deuteron	m <sub>n</sub>	$1.008064904(14) m_{\rm H}$
	Mass of the triton	md	$2.013533214(24) m_{\rm u}$
· · · ·	Mass of the monthly	$m_{t}$	3.015500/1(4) m <sub>u</sub>
· .	mass of the <i>a</i> -particle	$m_{\alpha}$	4.001506170(50) m <sub>u</sub>

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