



**NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED CHEMISTRY**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS – JULY 2014**  
**GENERAL CHEMISTRY – SCH 1217**  
**FOR SBB AND ESH**

**TIME – 3 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

1. ANSWER **ALL** QUESTIONS FROM SECTION A AND **ANY THREE** FROM SECTION B. SECTION A CARRIES 40 MARKS AND EACH QUESTION IN SECTION B CARRIES 20 MARKS. MARKS ARE ALLOCATED IS INDICATED IN BRACKET [ ]
2. START ANSWERING EACH QUESTION ON A NEW PAGE. (NOT EACH PART OF A QUESTION)

**INFORMATION TO CANDIDATES**

1. YOU ARE REMINDED FOR THE NEED TO USE CLEAR PRESENTATION AND GOOD ENGLISH

**TOTAL MARKS = 100**

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF **FOUR (4)** PRINTED PAGES (ON ONE SIDE ONLY) INCLUDING THE TOP PAGE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS.

**SECTION A:**

1)

- a) With the aid of a diagram discuss how a catalyst function [6 marks]
- b) Two catalysts, catalyst A and catalyst B, are compared for their catalytic activity for the reaction. When catalyst A is present it takes 10s for *A* to change from 2 to 0.5 moles and when catalyst B is present it takes 20s for *A* to decrease from 5 to 2.5 moles at the same temperature and with the same quantities of catalyst.

Which catalyst is more active for the reaction concerned? [4 marks]

2)

- a) Hydrogen and iodine react according to the equation

Suppose 1.00 mol  $\text{H}_{2(g)}$  and 2.00 mol  $\text{I}_{2(g)}$  are placed in a vessel. How many moles of substances are present in the mixture when it comes to equilibrium at 458 °C. The equilibrium constant at this temperature is 49.7 [10 marks]

3)

- a) Draw the orbital diagram for the electron configuration of oxygen, atomic number 8. How many unpaired electrons does an oxygen atom possess? [3 marks]
- b) Write the electron configuration for phosphorus, element 15. [3 marks]
- c) How many unpaired electrons does a phosphorus atom possess? [2 marks]
- d) What is the characteristic valence electron configuration of the group 7A elements, the halogens? [2 marks]

4)

- a) Write balanced equations for:
- a.i) Solid mercury (II) sulphide decomposing into its component elements when heated.
- a.ii) Aluminium metal combining with oxygen in the air.
- a.iii) When methanol,  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}(l)$ , is burned in air.
- b) Calculate the percentage of nitrogen, by mass, in  $\text{Ca}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ .
- c) What is the molar mass of glucose,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$ ? (10 marks)

**SECTION B:**

- 1) The Haber-Bosch process for the production of ammonia is one of the key industrial processes in developed countries.

Temperature (K)		
298	-91.8	-198.12
800	-107.4	-225.4
1300	-112.4	-228.0

- a) At what temperature(s) is the reaction spontaneous in the forward direction?
- b) Calculate the mole fraction of ammonia in the equilibrium mixture at each of the three temperatures. At what temperature is the mole fraction of  $\text{NH}_3$  the largest?

[20 marks]

2)

- a) Calculate the enthalpy change for the following reactions at the two temperatures (400 K and 1000 K).

values (kJ/mol) at the different two temperatures are as follows

-77            0        -393            -242            -110            0

-89                      0                      -394                      -248                      -111                      0

[10 marks]

b) Complete the following nuclear equations. Write the mass number, atomic number, and symbol for the remaining particle

(b.i.1.a.i)

(b.i.1.a.ii)

(b.i.1.a.iii)

(b.i.1.a.iv)

(b.i.1.a.v)

[10 marks]

3)

a) Which family of elements is characterized by an  $ns^2np^2$  electron configuration in the outermost occupied shell? Explain your reasoning and give examples of such elements

[4 marks]

b) Write the electron configuration for (a)  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ , (b)  $\text{Co}^{3+}$ , and (c)  $\text{S}^{2-}$ .

[6 marks]

c) Define Hund's first rule and Pauli's exclusion principle.

[6 marks]

d) Balance these equations by providing the missing coefficients:

[4 marks]

4)

a) Which substance do you expect to have the greatest lattice energy,  $\text{MgF}_2$ ,  $\text{CaF}_2$ , or  $\text{ZrO}_2$ ?

Explain.

[3 marks]

b) Predict the ion generally formed by:

(i) Sr,

(ii) S,

(iii) Al.

[3 marks]

c) Predict the charges on the ions formed when magnesium reacts with nitrogen [2 marks]

- d) In each case, which bond is more polar: **(a)** B—Cl or C—Cl, **(b)** P—F or P—Cl? Indicate in each case which atom has the partial negative charge. [6 marks]
- e) Name the 3 main reaction types and give 2 examples of each. [6 marks]

**END OF QUESTION PAPER!!!**