

# NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

## FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

### **DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED CHEMISTRY**

### **PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY 1**

### SCH2104

### **Supplementary Examination Paper**

July 2016

This examination paper consists of 3 pages

Time Allowed: 3 hours

Total Marks: 100

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Useful information:  $R = 8.314 \text{ JK}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ ; 1 atm = 101 325 Pa; 1 bar = 100000 Pa

## INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Answer ALL questions
- 2. Each question carries 25 marks

### MARK ALLOCATION

QUESTION	MARKS
1.	25
2.	25
3.	25
4.	25
TOTAL	100

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- 1. The Haber process can be represented as;  $N_2(g) + 3H_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2NH_3(g)$ :
  - a) Discuss the information that can be obtained from the change in the Gibbs free energy of a system. [5 Marks]
  - b) Calculate  $\Delta G^{\circ}$  and  $K_p$  for the reaction at 700K, and at 298K; given that  $\Delta H^{\circ} = -92.38 \text{ kJ}$  and  $\Delta S^{\circ} = -198.3 \text{ J/K}$  [8 Marks]
  - c) Suppose the equilibrium constant at 700 K is  $1.02 \times 10^{-5}$  and the reaction mixture consists of 15% NH<sub>3</sub>, 21% N<sub>2</sub>, and 64% H<sub>2</sub>. Is the forward reaction spontaneous at a total pressure of 150 bar? At what total pressure is the reaction at equilibrium? [12 Marks]
- 2. a) What is a phase diagram, and what information can be obtained from it?
  - [5 Marks]
  - b) Draw a well labelled phase diagram for CO<sub>2</sub> and hence explain why solid CO<sub>2</sub> is called dry ice. [10 marks]
  - c) If you are climbing Mount Kilimanjaro, explain how the time to cook a cup of rice is going to vary at each campsite as you go up the mountain. [6 Marks]
  - d) What can you do/use in the cooking process to prevent the effect in "c" above [4 Marks]
- 3. A system composed of an ideal gas was moved from state A to state B via two paths, path ACB and path ADB as shown in the diagram.

Given that  $C_{P,m} = \frac{5}{2}R$  and  $C_{V,m} = \frac{3}{2}R$ 

- a) Is the transformation A to B isothermal? [4 Marks]
- b) Calculate w, q, and  $\Delta U$  for each path. What would be the values of the same parameters if the system had expanded reversibly? [17 Marks]

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c) Indicate on a diagram the total amount of work done if the system undergoes a cyclic process A -- D -- B -- C --A. [4 Marks]



# 4. a) What is the thermodynamic definition of entropy? [2 Marks] b) Use the Carnot cycle to prove that entropy is a state function. [8 Marks] c) Name the four simple types of processes used in thermodynamic studies and for each type state the variable held constant. [8 Marks] d) At 353K, the vapour pressures of two liquids A and B which are completely miscible and form an ideal solution are 757 and 66 mmHg, respectively. For an equimolar mixture [X<sub>A</sub>= X<sub>B</sub> = 0.5] calculate the total vapour pressure and the mole fraction of A in the vapour phases. Assume that the mixture follows Raoult's Law. [7 Marks]

# End of Question Paper!!!

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