

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)

BSc DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2025

(Third Semester)

Branch - PHYSICS

CHEMISTRY - I

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

SECTION-A (10 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

(10 × 1 = 10)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	1	What is the shape of XeF_4 ? a) Tetrahedral b) Square planar c) Trigonal bipyramidal d) Octahedral with two lone pairs	K1	CO1
	2	Relate EAN rule is satisfied in a) $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$ b) $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$ c) $[\text{CoCl}_6]^{2-}$ d) $[\text{MnO}_4]^-$	K2	CO1
2	3	A dye which becomes insoluble in the fiber after application is classified as a) Acid dye b) Vat dye c) Basic dye d) Mordant dye	K1	CO2
	4	Teflon (PTFE) is formed by polymerization of a) C_2H_2 b) $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCN}$ c) $\text{CF}_2=\text{CF}_2$ d) $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCl}$	K2	CO2
3	5	Weiss indices of intercepts (a/2, b/3, ∞c) are a) (2 3 0) b) (1/2 1/3 0) c) (3 2 0) d) (0 0 1)	K1	CO3
	6	Why does graphite conduct electricity? a) Free movement of ions b) Delocalized π -electrons c) Presence of defects d) High bond energy	K2	CO3
4	7	The half-life ($t_{1/2}$) of a first-order reaction is related to the rate constant (k) by which expression? a) $t_{1/2} = 1/k$ b) $t_{1/2} = 1/2k$ c) $t_{1/2} = 2.303/k$ d) $t_{1/2} = 0.693/k$	K1	CO4
	8	Brownian motion arises due to a) Electrostatic forces b) Molecular bombardment c) Diffusion d) Adsorption	K2	CO4
5	9	Which of the following is a negative catalyst? a) Pt in contact process b) MnO_2 in decomposition of KClO_3 c) Glycerol in decomposition of H_2O_2 d) Ni in hydrogenation	K1	CO5
	10	What does the Grothuss-Draper law state? a) Only absorbed light produces photochemical reaction b) Each photon excites multiple molecules c) Quantum yield must be one d) Absorbed light is re-emitted only	K2	CO5

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SECTION - B (35 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(5 × 7 = 35)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	11.a.	State the postulates of VSEPR theory.	K2	CO1
	(OR)			
	11.b.	Write the preparation and uses of sodium hydrosulphite.		
2	12.a.	Explain the isolation and uses of nicotine.	K2	CO2
	(OR)			
	12.b.	Compare acid and basic dyes with one example each.		
3	13.a.	Determine the Miller indices of a crystal plane that intercepts the axes at 2a, 3b, and 4c. Draw a diagram showing the plane in a unit cell and explain your steps.	K3	CO3
	(OR)			
	13.b.	Explain how this arrangement contributes to diamond's hardness and high melting point.		
4	14.a.	Give the integrated rate law for a first-order reaction and derive its half-life expression.	K3	CO4
	(OR)			
	14.b.	Construct the concept of protective colloids with examples.		
5	15.a.	Differentiate between positive and negative catalysis.	K2	CO5
	(OR)			
	15.b.	Define quantum yield and Why is it high in the reaction of $H_2 + Cl_2$?		

SECTION - C (30 Marks)

Answer ANY THREE questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(3 × 10 = 30)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	16	Explain Werner's theory of coordination compounds	K4	CO1
2	17	With suitable examples, Elaborate the role of biodegradable polymers in reducing environmental pollution.	K2	CO2
3	18	Derive the number of atoms per unit cell for BCC and FCC lattices.	K3	CO3
4	19	Explain any two methods of determining the order of a reaction.	K3	CO4
5	20	Discuss the mechanism of enzyme catalysis with the lock-and-key and induced-fit models.	K2	CO5

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