

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE  
(AUTONOMOUS)  
BSc DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2024  
(Fifth Semester)

Branch – CHEMISTRY

INORGANIC CHEMISTRY - I

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 50 Marks

SECTION-A (5 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks (5 x 1 = 5)

- Which of the following complex shows optical isomerism?  
(i)  $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  (ii)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3]^{3-}$   
(iii)  $[\text{ZnCl}_4]^{2-}$  (iv)  $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4]^{2+}$
- The formation of the complex ion  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$  involves  $sp^3d^2$  hybridization of  $\text{Co}^{3+}$ . Hence, the complex ion should possess  
(i) octahedral geometry (ii) tetrahedral geometry  
(iii) square planar geometry (iv) tetragonal geometry
- Which of the following configuration shows JahnTeller distortion  
(i)  $d^6$  (low spin) (ii)  $d^{10}$   
(iii)  $d^5$  (high spin) (iv)  $d^4$  (low spin)
- The biological functions of the myoglobin is  
(i)  $\text{O}_2$  storage (ii)  $\text{O}_2$  transport  
(iii) Electron carrier (iv) Oxidation of alkene
- Which carbonyl has  $sp^3$  hybridization?  
(i)  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$  (ii)  $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6$   
(iii)  $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_5$  (iv)  $\text{V}(\text{CO})_6$

SECTION - B (15 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

ALL Questions Carry EQUAL Marks (5 x 3 = 15)

- a) Analyze i) Most of the transition metals are paramagnetic  
ii) Compounds of transition metals are generally colored.  
OR
- b) Sketch all possible geometrical and optical isomer of  $[\text{Co}(\text{en})_2\text{Cl}_2]^+$  and  $[\text{Co}(\text{en})_3]^{3+}$
- 7 a) Distinguish between i) High spin and low spin complexes  
ii) Inner and outer orbital complexes  
OR
- b) Calculate CFSE for  $d^5$  and  $d^6$  low spin and high spin complexes.
8. a) Bring out the difference between VBT and CFT.  
OR
- b) Explain the causes of tetragonal distortion in transition metal complexes.
9. a) Highlight the significance of the structure of chlorophyll in photosynthesis.  
OR
- b) Sketch and predict function of 4Fe-4S ferredoxin.
- 10 a) Classify carbonyls with suitable example.  
OR
- b) Examine the bonding feature of sodium nitroprusside

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**SECTION -C (30 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(5 x 6 = 30)

11. a) Explain various types of structural isomerism with suitable example.  
OR  
b) Outline various applications of chelate complexes.
12. a) Analyze splitting of d-orbitals in octahedral field  
OR  
b) Justify: i)  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$  is paramagnetic while  $[\text{NiCN}_4]^{2-}$  is diamagnetic (4 Marks)  
ii) Mention the electronic distribution of low and high spin  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  complexes. (2 Marks)
13. a) Describe the polarization theory of trans effect. Give its limitation.  
OR  
b) Explain the Jahn-Teller distortion in  $[\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ .
14. a) Discuss the mechanism of oxygen transport by haemoglobin.  
(OR)  
b) Outline the structural features and function of vitamin B<sub>12</sub>.
15. a) Explain the bonding and structure of the following carbonyls (3+3 Marks)  
i)  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$                       ii)  $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6$   
(OR)  
b) Describe the preparation and structure of ferrocene.

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