### **UNIVERSITY OF ESWATINI**

## **SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION 2018/2019**

TITLE OF PAPER:	ADVANCED PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY							
COURSE NUMBER:	C402							
TIME:	THREE (3) HOURS							
INSTRUCTIONS:								
There are six (6) ques	tions. Each question carries 25 marks. Answer any four (4) questions.							
<b>NB</b> : Each question sho	ould start on a new page.							
A data sheet and a periodic table are attached								
A non-programmable	electronic calculator may be used							

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### Question 1 [25 Marks]

a) The Maxwell Boltzmann distribution function of velocities in three dimensions between  $v \rightarrow v + dv$  is

$$F(v) = 4\pi \left(\frac{m}{2\pi kT}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} v^2 exp\left(\frac{-mv^2}{2kT}\right)$$

- i. Derive an equation for the average velocity,  $ar{v}$
- ii. Find an expression for the most probable velocity [5]
- i. Calculate the number of collisions made by a single nitrogen gas molecule per sec given that the collision diameter is 373nm.
  [3]
  - ii. What is the total number of collisions made by N<sub>2</sub> if the oven volume is 50 cm<sup>3</sup> and the vapor pressure N<sub>2</sub> at 300 °C is 50 torr [2] Useful equations

$$Z_A = \frac{\sqrt{2}\sigma\bar{v}p}{kT}; \quad Z_{AA} = \frac{1}{2}Z_A\frac{N}{V}; \quad \bar{v} = \left(\frac{8RT}{\mu M}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}; \quad \lambda = \frac{kT}{\sigma p\sqrt{2}}$$

- iii. Calculate the mean free path of nitrogen gas using the parameters above [5]
- iv. Calculate the time intervals between collisions [3]
- v. Does the nitrogen gas obey the kinetic theory of gasses? Verify and give reasons for your answer. [2]

# Question 2 [25 Marks]

- a) In an experiment to measure quantum efficiency of a photochemical reaction, the absorbing substance was exposed to 490 nm light from a 100W source for 45 minutes. The intensity of the transmitted light was 40% of the incident light. As a result of irradiation, 0.344 mol of the absorbing substance decomposed. Calculate the quantum efficiency.
- b) The rate constant for the bimolecular elementary gaseous reaction  $CO + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + O$  is 1.22 x  $10^5$  M/s at 2500K and 3.66 x  $10^5$  M/s at 2800K.
  - i. Calculate the activation energy and pre exponential factor. [7]
     ii. Assuming a hard sphere with a diameter of 350pm for O<sub>2</sub> and of 360 pm
- for CO, calculate the steric factor in the collision theory. [6]
  c) A proposed free radical chain mechanism for the decomposition of acetaldehyde

$$CH_3CHO \rightarrow CH_3^{\circ} + CHO^{\circ}$$
 k1

consists of the following steps:

[5]

$$CH_3CHO + CH_3^{\circ} \rightarrow CH_3^{\circ} + CO + CH_4$$
  $k2$   
 $2CH_3^{\circ} \rightarrow C_2H_6$   $k3$ 

Show that the rate of formation of methane is

$$\frac{d[CH_4]}{dt} = k_2 \left(\frac{k_1}{2k_3}\right)^{1/2} \left[CH_3CHO\right]^{3/2}$$
 [6]

### Question 3 [25 Marks]

a) The mechanism for enzyme catalyzed reactions as proposed by V. Henri (1903) is

$$E + S \stackrel{k_1, k_{-1}}{\longleftrightarrow} [ES] \stackrel{k_2}{\to} P$$

 Using the steady state approximation and the Lineweaver-Burk treatment show that Michaelis-Menten equation is

$$\frac{1}{V_0} = \frac{K_m}{V_{max}} \frac{1}{S} + \frac{1}{V_{max}}$$

ii. Briefly explain and define the role of the following in enzyme kinetics:

•	V <sub>max</sub>	[3]
	Michaelis constant, K <sub>m</sub>	[3]
C.	$k_2$	[3]

b) The following data refer to an enzyme catalyzed reaction:

Vo/10 <sup>-3</sup> M/s	13	20	29	38
[S]/10 <sup>-3</sup> M	2.0	4.0	8.0	20

Given that the enzyme concentration is 2.0 g/dm<sup>3</sup> and the molar weight is 50 000g/mol, using an appropriate plot, calculate

1.	NIII	L-3
ii.	Vmax	[2]
iii.	The number of substrate molecules converted into products p	er unit time
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when the enzyme is fully saturated with substrate. [3]

### Question 4 [25 Marks]

The Kohlrausch equation for strong electrolytes is

$$\Lambda_m(c) = \Lambda_m^o - K\sqrt{c}$$

And the Ostwald dilution law for weak electrolytes states;

$$K_{eq} = \left( \frac{\left( \Lambda'_m / \Lambda_m^0 \right)}{\left( \Lambda'_m / \Lambda_m^0 \right)} \right) c$$

- a) Using diagrams where necessary, explain in terms of the relaxation effect and the electrophoretic effect, the concentration dependence of molar conductivities shown by both strong and weak electrolytes. [4]
- b) Derive the Ostwald dilution law and express it in its linearized form [3]
- c) The following conductivity data are for a weak acid, MH<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H in aqueous solution at 25 °C.

c/10 <sup>-3</sup> M	6.25	3.13	1.56	0.781	0.391	0.195	0.0977
Λ <sub>m</sub> /Scm²/mol	53.1	72.4	96.8	127.7	164.0	205.8	249.2

And the viscosity of water is given by  $\eta$ = 1.00 x 10<sup>-3</sup> kg/(ms) Determine

i.	The limiting conductivity	[2]
ii.	pKa value	[2]
iii.	the transport number of the MH <sub>3</sub> COO and the H+ ions given that the	ne
	limiting conductivity of MH <sub>3</sub> COO <sup>-</sup> to be 40.9 Scm <sup>2</sup> /mol	[2]
iv.	mobility of MH₃COO⁻ in units of m²/(Vs)	[2]
٧.	diffusion coefficient of MH₃COO⁻ in units of m²/s	[2]
vi.	hydrodynamic radius of MH₃COO⁻	[2]

### Useful information

$$K = \left(\frac{1}{R}\right)\frac{1}{A}; \ t_{\pm} = \frac{\lambda_{\pm}}{\lambda_{-} + \lambda_{\pm}} = \frac{\lambda_{\pm}}{\Lambda_{m}^{0}} = \frac{u_{\pm}}{u_{-} + u_{+}}; \ \Lambda_{m}^{0} = v_{+}\lambda_{+} + v_{-}\lambda_{-}; \ \lambda_{\pm} = zu_{\pm}F; \ t_{+} + t_{-} = 1$$

$$D = \frac{kT}{6\pi\eta a} \ and \ D = \frac{ukT}{ze} = \frac{uRT}{zF}$$

d) Describe any one method of determining transport numbers. [3]

e) In a moving boundary experiment on KCI, the aqueous consisted of a tube of internal diameter 4.146 mm, and it contained aqueous KCI at concentration of 0.021 M. A steady current of 18.2 mA was passed, and the boundary advanced as follows:

Δt/s	200
x/mm	64

Find the transport number of K<sup>+</sup>, its mobility and its ionic conductivity given the limiting conductivity to be 149.9 Scm<sup>2</sup>/mol [3]

Useful information

$$t = \frac{zcVF}{I\Delta t}$$

### Question 5 [25 Marks]

a) Distinguish between physisorption and chemisorption

[5]

b) The Langmuir adsorption isotherm for non-dissociative adsorption of a single species is given by;

$$\theta = \frac{kP}{1 + kP}$$

Outline the kinetic argument used to derive the adsorption isotherm for two molecules A and B as given by [5]

$$\theta_A = \frac{K_A P_A}{1 + K_A P_A + K_B P_B}, \qquad \theta_B = \frac{K_B P_B}{1 + K_A P_A + K_B P_B}$$

c) An adsorption isotherm for nitrogen adsorbed on a sample of colloidal silica was measured at -19°C and the following data was obtained:

V/ x 10 <sup>6</sup> /m <sup>3</sup>	P/P <sub>o</sub>
44	0.008
61	0.067
68	0.125
80	0.250
90	0.333

Where V is the volume adsorbed (corrected to STP) and P<sub>o</sub> is the measured saturated vapour pressure of nitrogen at the given temperature.

i. Verify whether or not these results conform to the BET adsorption isotherm.[5]

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ii. Determine the monolayer volume capacity and the surface area of the sample given that one adsorbed nitrogen molecule occupies 0.162 nm² in a monolayer. [10]

Useful equation

BET isotherm is given by: 
$$\frac{P}{V(P_0-P)} = \frac{1}{cV_m} + \frac{C-1}{cV_m} \frac{P}{P_0}$$

where  $P_o$  is the bulk vapour pressure is the equilibrium vapour pressure,  $V_m$  is the monolayer volume capacity and V the total volume of material adsorbed

### Question 6 [25 Marks]

- a) Explain why the polarizability of a molecule decreases at high frequencies [5]
- b) The polarizability volume of NH<sub>3</sub> is 2.22 x 10<sup>-24</sup> cm<sup>3</sup>. Calculate the dipole moment of the molecule (in addition to the permanent dipole moment) induced by an applied electric field of strength 15.0 kV/m. [5]
- c) The molar polarization,  $P_{\rm m}$ , is defined as  $P_{\rm m}=\frac{N_{\rm A}}{3\varepsilon_0}\left(\alpha+\frac{\mu^2}{3kT}\right)$ . The molar

polarization of gaseous water at 100 kPa, is given in the table below.

T/K	384.3	420.1	444.7	484.1	522.0
P <sub>m</sub> /(cm <sup>3</sup> /mol)	57.4	53.5	50.1	46.8	43.1

### Calculate:

i. The polarizability volume of water.

[15]

Total /1	00/

# General data and fundamental constants

Quantity	Symbol	Value
Speed of light Elementary charge Faraday constant Boltzmann constant Gas constant	c $F = N_A e$ $k$ $R = N_A k$	2.997 924 58 X 10 <sup>8</sup> m s <sup>-1</sup> 1.602 177 X 10 <sup>-19</sup> C 9.6485 X 10 <sup>4</sup> C mol <sup>-1</sup> 1.380 66 X 10 <sup>-23</sup> J K <sup>-1</sup> 8.314 51 J K <sup>-1</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup> 8.205 78 X 10 <sup>-2</sup> dm <sup>3</sup> atm K <sup>-1</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup> 6.2364 X 10 L Torr K <sup>-1</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup> 6.626 08 X 10 <sup>-34</sup> J s
Avogadro constant Atomic mass unit Mass	$ h = h/2\pi $ $ N_A $ $ u $	1.054 57 X 10 <sup>-34</sup> J s 6.022 14 X 10 <sup>23</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup> 1.660 54 X 10 <sup>-27</sup> Kg
electron proton neutron Vacuum permittivity Vacuum permeability	$m_e$ $m_p$ $m_n$ $\epsilon_o = 1/c^2 \mu_o$ $4\pi\epsilon_o$	9.109 39 X 10 <sup>-31</sup> Kg 1.672 62 X 10 <sup>-27</sup> Kg 1.674 93 X 10 <sup>-27</sup> Kg 8.854 19 X 10 <sup>-12</sup> J <sup>-1</sup> C <sup>2</sup> m <sup>-1</sup> 1.112 65 X 10 <sup>-10</sup> J <sup>-1</sup> C <sup>2</sup> m <sup>-1</sup> 4π X 10 <sup>-7</sup> J s <sup>2</sup> C <sup>-2</sup> m <sup>-1</sup>
Magneton		$4\pi \times 10^{-7} \mathrm{T^2}\mathrm{J^{-1}}\mathrm{m^3}$
Rydberg constant Standard acceleration	$ \mu_{N} = e\hbar/2m_{p} $ $ g_{e} $ $ a_{o} = 4\pi \epsilon_{o}\hbar/m_{e}e^{2} $ $ \alpha = \mu_{o}e^{2}c/2h $	9.274 02 X 10 <sup>-24</sup> J T <sup>-1</sup> 5.050 79 X 10 <sup>-27</sup> J T <sup>-1</sup> 2.002 32 5.291 77 X 10 <sup>-11</sup> m 7.297 35 X 10 <sup>-3</sup> 1.097 37 X 10 <sup>7</sup> m <sup>-1</sup>
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