

ELECTIVE COURSE I – INORGANIC CHEMISTRY I

Unit I

Acids and Bases : Bronsted and Lewis acids and bases, pH, pKa, acid – base concept in non-aqueous media, buffer solution, Protonic Acids – Proton Affinities – Differentiating and leveling Solvents – Acidic Behaviour of the Binary hydrides – strength of oxyacids – Hydrolysis – Amphoteric oxides – Non protonic Concepts of Acid – Base Reactions – Lux concept – Solvent Ion theory of Acids and Bases – Liquid Ammonia, Acetic acid, bromine trifluoride, Dinitrogen tetroxide, liquid hydrogen fluoride as solvents – Classification of Acids and Bases as Hard or Soft – Acid – Base strength and Hardness and softness – Symbiosis – Theoretical basis of Hardness and Softness – Electronegativity and Hardness and Softness.

Unit II

Ionic Bond, Crystal structure and Advanced Covalent Bonding :

Radius Ratio rules – calculation of some limiting radius ratio values for C.N.3 (planar triangle), C.N.4(tetrahedral), C.N.6 (octahedral).

Classification of Ionic Structures :

AX, AX₂, AX₃ types. AX type (ZnS, NaCl, CaF₂) structures only. AX₂ type, fluorite, rutile, beta cristobalite (structure only). Layer structure – CdI₂ Nickel arsenide structures – lattice energy – Born Lande equation derivation – important points arising from Born Lande equation – Schottky defect and Frenkel defect – explanation and calculation of number of defects from cm³ – metal excess defect – F Centers and interstitial ions – Metal deficiency defect – positive ions absent – extra interstitial negative ions – Band theory of solids – insulators, semiconductors and superconductors. Transistors Rectifiers – Photovoltaic cell – Qualitative molecular orbital theory, Walsh Diagrams – Symmetry of orbitals.

Unit III

Nuclear Chemistry :

Radioactive decay – Theories of decay processes – Laws of radioactivity – Detection and Measurements of radiations – Nuclear structure – Composition of nuclei – properties of nuclei – nuclear radii- nuclear spin etc. – nuclear forces – its characteristics – Meson Field theory – nuclear stability – nuclear models – liquid drop, shell and collective models.

Artificial Radioactivity :

Nuclear reactions – transmutation – Stripping and pick up, Fission products and fission yields, fusion, spallation and fragmentation reactions scattering reactions – nuclear cross section – Q – value Nuclear reactors – charged particle accelerators – neutron sources – gamma ray and X-ray sources.

Radioactive techniques – tracer technique neutron activation and isotopic dilution analysis, counting techniques such as G.M. ionization and proportional counter.

Applications of nuclear science in agriculture and biology.
Radiation risks and medical benefits – Natural and manmade isotopes

Unit IV

Polyacid anions :

Basic building units of vanadate, molybdate, and tungstate ions – apex sharing (structure only) – Heteropoly anions – structure only.

Rings : Phosphazenes – structure – Craig and Paddock model – Dewar model
Cages of phosphorus – Boron hydrides and carboranes

Clusters :

Metal clusters – dinuclear clusters – structure of Re_2Cl_8 – Qualitative M.O. diagrams for dinuclear rhenium and molybdenum complexes to explain the strength of quadrupole bond – Cluster bonding models – Wade and Lohar.

Unit V

Chemistry of Metals and Rare gases :

General properties of metals, occurrence, principles of isolation and complex formation of s, p and d block metals, Chemistry of lanthanides and actinides- Spectral and Magnetic properties, lanthanide contraction.

Rare Gas : Isolation, Chemistry and structure of rare gas compounds (Xenon Compounds)

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