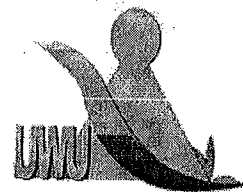




Uva Wellassa University, Sri Lanka  
End Semester Examination – March 2012  
SCT 231-1 Inorganic Chemistry



Time: One (01) hour

Total three (03) questions  
Answer all questions.

$$\text{Avogadro constant, } N_A = 6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Electron charge (e)} = 1.6022 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

$$\text{Electron mass} = 9.1095 \times 10^{-28} \text{ g}$$

$$\text{Universal gas constant, } R = 8.314 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Boltzmann constant, } k = 1.3807 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Plank's constant, } h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ m}^2 \text{ kg s}^{-1}$$

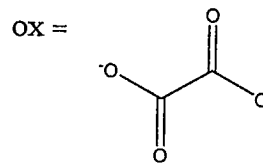
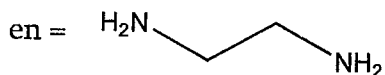
$$\text{Faraday's constant, } F = 9.6485 \times 10^4 \text{ C mol}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Velocity of light, } c = 2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Proton mass} = 1.67252 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}$$

$$\text{Neutron mass} = 1.67495 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}$$

The abbreviations given are;



01. a. Write the IUPAC names for the following coordination complexes.
- $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$
  - $[\text{Mn}(\text{en})_2\text{I}_2]\text{ClO}_4$
  - $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Cl}_2]\text{Cl}$
- b. Write the chemical formula for each of following complexes.
- tris(ethylenediamine)chromium(III) chloride
  - dichlorobis(ethylenediamine)platinum(IV) nitrate
- c. Compounds containing the  $\text{SC}^{+3}$  ion are colourless whereas those containing the  $\text{Ti}^{+3}$  ion are coloured. Explain briefly.

- d. i. Specify which of the following structures exhibit geometric isomerism:  
 (I) linear (II) square-planar (III) tetrahedral (IV) octahedral
- ii. Draw all possible stereoisomers for each of the following complexes. Label the diastereoisomers as *cis* or *trans*. Clearly identify the cases where no stereoisomers are possible.
- (I)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  (square planar)  
 (II) traamminedichlorocobalt(III) ion.
- e. A student has prepared a cobalt complex that has one of the following structures:  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]\text{Cl}_3$ ,  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{Cl}]\text{Cl}_2$ , or  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Cl}_2]\text{Cl}$ . Briefly explain how the student would distinguish between these possibilities experimentally.
- f. A student prepared three coordination compounds containing chromium, with the following properties:

<i>Formula</i>	<i>Colour</i>	<i>Cl<sup>-</sup> ions in the solution per formula unit</i>
$\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Violet	3
$\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Light green	2
$\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Dark green	1

Write modern formula for these compounds and suggest a method to estimate the number of  $\text{Cl}^-$  ions present in solution in each case.  
 (Hint: Some of the compounds may occur as hydrates.)

(50 marks)

02. a. Define following terms.
- Atomic number
  - Mass number
  - Isotope
  - Radioactive decay
- b. Complete the following nuclear equations and identify X in each case specifying special names if any:
- ${}_{27}^{59}\text{Co} + {}_1^2\text{H} \rightarrow {}_{27}^{60}\text{Co} + \text{X}$
  - ${}_{8}^{20}\text{O} \rightarrow {}_{9}^{20}\text{F} + \text{X}$
  - ${}_{92}^{235}\text{U} + {}_0^1\text{n} \rightarrow {}_{62}^{160}\text{Sm} + {}_{30}^{72}\text{Zn} + \text{X}$

- c. Strontium-90 is one of the products of the fission of uranium-235. The strontium-90 isotope is radioactive with a half-life of 28.1 yr. How long (in yr) will it take for 1.00 g of the isotope to be reduced to 0.200 g?

(30 marks)

03. Write a short account on two of the following topics.

- i. Uses of Isotopes
- ii. Coordination Compounds in Living Systems
- iii. Applications of organometallic complexes

(20 marks)

1 H 1.008																	18 He 4.0026
3 Li 6.94	4 Be 9.0122											5 B 10.81	6 C 12.011	7 N 14.007	8 O 15.999	9 F 18.998	10 Ne 20.180
11 Na 22.990	12 Mg 24.305	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13 Al 26.982	14 Si 28.085	15 P 30.974	16 S 32.06	17 Cl 35.45	18 Ar 39.948
19 K 39.098	20 Ca 40.078	21 Sc 44.956	22 Ti 47.867	23 V 50.942	24 Cr 51.996	25 Mn 54.938	26 Fe 55.845	27 Co 58.933	28 Ni 58.693	29 Cu 63.546	30 Zn 65.39	31 Ga 69.723	32 Ge 72.62	33 As 74.922	34 Se 78.96	35 Br 79.904	36 Kr 83.798
37 Rb 85.468	38 Sr 87.62	39 Y 88.906	40 Zr 91.224	41 Nb 92.906	42 Mo 95.96	43 Tc (98)	44 Ru 101.07	45 Rh 102.91	46 Pd 106.42	47 Ag 107.87	48 Cd 112.41	49 In 114.82	50 Sn 118.71	51 Sb 121.76	52 Te 127.60	53 I 126.90	54 Xe 131.29
55 Cs 132.91	56 Ba 137.33	57-71 *	72 Hf 178.49	73 Ta 180.95	74 W 183.84	75 Re 186.21	76 Os 190.23	77 Ir 192.22	78 Pt 195.08	79 Au 196.97	80 Hg 200.59	81 Tl 204.38	82 Pb 207.2	83 Bi 208.98	84 Po (209)	85 At (210)	86 Rn (222)
87 Fr (223)	88 Ra (226)	89-103 #	104 Rf (261)	105 Db (268)	106 Sg (271)	107 Bh (270)	108 Hs (277)	109 Mt (276)	110 Ds (281)	111 Rg (280)	112 Cn (285)	113 Uut (284)	114 Fl (289)	115 Uup (288)	116 Lv (293)	117 Uus (294)	118 Uuo (294)
* Lanthanide series		57 La 138.91	58 Ce 140.12	59 Pr 140.91	60 Nd 144.24	61 Pm (145)	62 Sm 150.36	63 Eu 151.96	64 Gd 157.25	65 Tb 158.93	66 Dy 162.50	67 Ho 164.93	68 Er 167.26	69 Tm 168.93	70 Yb 173.05	71 Lu 174.97	
# Actinide series		89 Ac (227)	90 Th 232.04	91 Pa 231.04	92 U 238.03	93 Np (237)	94 Pu (244)	95 Am (243)	96 Cm (247)	97 Bk (247)	98 Cf (251)	99 Es (252)	100 Fm (257)	101 Md (258)	102 No (259)	103 Lr (262)	

Periodic Table of elements

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