# FACULTY OF SCIENCE M. Sc. I – Semester Examination, December 2013

## **Subject: Chemistry**

Paper - I: Inorganic Chemistry

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

Note: Answer all questions from Part–A and Part–B. Each question carries 8 marks in Part–A and 12 marks in Part – B.

# PART - A (4 x 8 = 32 Marks)

(Short Answer Type)

- 1.(a) Draw the splitting of d-orbitals in square planar metal complexes.
- (b) What is CFSE? Calculate the CFSE values in the following molecules. (i) [Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>3-</sup> (ii) [Co(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>3+</sup>
- Explain SN¹ CB mechanism with a suitable example.
  - (b) How the trans effect is useful in the preparation of cis and trans isomers of [Pt(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>]?
- 3.(a) Write a note on thermodynamic and kinetic stability constants of metal complexes.
  - (b) What is HSAB principle? Explain its applications with reference to stability of metal complexes.
- 4.(a) Explain the different modes of NO coordinated to a metal.
- (b) Draw molecular orbital diagram of CO and indicate which lone pair could be donated to a metal.

## $PART - B (4 \times 12 = 48 Marks)$

(Essay Answer Type)

- 5.(a) What is Jahn-Teller effect? Describe its importance in predicting the structure of Cu(II) complexes.
  - (b) Describe the Gouy's method for determination of the magnetic susceptibility of a metal complex.

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- (c) Discuss the factors that influence the magnitude of crystal filed splitting.
- (d) Write a note on quenching of orbital angular momentum.
- 6.(a) Explain the inner sphere electron transfer mechanism with suitable examples.
  - (b) Compare S<sub>N</sub>1 and S<sub>N</sub>2 reaction mechanisms in octahedral geometry.

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- (c) Discuss the mechanistic aspects of nucleophilic substitution reactions without breaking metal-ligand bond.
- (d) Explain theories of tans effect.
- 7.(a) Draw the structure of Fe<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub> and Co<sub>4</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub> and substantiate with spectral evidences.
  - (b) What is 18e rule? Explain the salient features.

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- (c) Discuss the stereochemical valence in [Co(diars)<sub>2</sub>(NO)]<sup>+2</sup> and [Co(diars)<sub>2</sub>(NO)(SCN)]<sup>+</sup>.
- (d) Explain the structure and bonding of dinitrogen metal complexes.
- 8.(a) Discuss the effects of metal ion on the stability of metal complexes.
  - (b) How the stability constant of a metal complex is determined by pH metric method?

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- (c) Write a note on ternary metal complexes.
- (d) Discuss the macrocyclic and cryptate effects on the stability of metal complexes.

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