

Eastern University, Sri Lanka Third Year First Semester Examination in Science External degree – Repeat-2016 EXTCH 303 Electrochemistry

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Time: One hour

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Useful constants: $R = 8.134 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$, $F = 96485 \text{ C mol}^{-1}$, 2.303 RT/F = 0.0591 V

) (a) Define the following terms which refer to the properties of ionic solutions

(i) Ionic strength(ii) Molar conductivity(iii) Ion mobility

(15 marks)

- (b) (i) Write the Debye Huckel equation for the mean activity coefficient of electrolytes and identify the terms in it.
 - (ii) Briefly outline the assumptions made in the Debye Huckel model for ionic solutions.
 - (iii) Calculate the ionic strength and the mean activity coefficient of 0.001 M solution of CaCl₂ at 25 0 C

(50 marks)

(c) Calculate the molar conductivity of HIO₄ at infinite dilution from the following data observed at 25^o C. $\Lambda_{KIO_4}^o = 127.92 \times 10^{-4} \Omega^{-1} \text{m}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}$, $\Lambda_{HCl}^o = 426.16 \times 10^{-4} \Omega^{-1} \text{m}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}$, and $\Lambda_{KCl}^o = 149.86 \times 10^{-4} \Omega^{-1} \text{m}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}$

(35 marks)

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(a) What is meant by Electrode potential of a cell?

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(b) Write down the reactions taking place at anode and cathode and complete cell reaction of the following cells

i)
$$Pt, H_2(g) / HCl(aq) / / KCl(aq), Ag Cl(s) / Ag(s)$$

- ii) $Ni(s) / Ni^{2+}(aq) / / Ag^+(aq) / Ag(s)$
- (c) Devise the electrochemical cell suitable for the following equilibria and calculat standard electrode potential of the cell at 298 K.

$$Ce^{4+} + Fe^{2+} \rightarrow Fe^{3+} + Ce^{3+}$$

$$(E_{Ce^{4+}/Ce^{3+}}^{\theta} = 0.73V, E_{Fe^{3+}/Fe^{2+}} = 0.771V)$$

(d) i) Represent the cell made up of the following half-cell reactions

Mg → Mg²⁺ (0.01 M) + 2e,
$$E^0 = +2.34 V$$

Sn²⁺ (0.1 M) + 2e → Sn (s) $E^0 = -0.136 V$

ii) Calculate the EMF of the cell at 25° C.

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