

EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA. SECOND EXAMINATION IN SCIENCE 2005/2006 - PROPER FIRST SEMESTER (AUG/SEPT 2007)

CH 201 COORDINATION CHEMISTRY AND MAIN GROUP CHEMISTRY

Time allowed: ONE Hour

Answer all the questions

The use of a non-programmable calculator is permitted

You may find the following data useful.

(Atomic no - Cr - 24, Mn - 25, Fe - 26, Co - 27, Ni - 28, Cs - 55)

1) a) Write down the systematic name of each of the following complexes and indicate the coordination number, oxidation state, electronic configuration and magnetic moment of the central ion.

i)[Cr(NH₃)₃(H₂O)₃]Cl₃ ii) [Co(H₂O)₆]³⁺ iii) [Co(H₂NCH₂CH₂NH₂)₃]₂(SO₄)₃ iv) Cs[FeCl₄]

(40 marks)

b) A pink solid has the molecular formula $CoCl_3.5NH_3.H_2O$. A solution of this salt is also pink and rapidly gives 3 moles of AgCl on titration with AgNO₃. When the pink solid is heated, it loses one mole H₂O and give a purple solid with the same ratio of NH₃: Cl: Co as in the pink solid. Deduce the structures of pink and purple solids

(15 marks)

c) i) Draw the crystal field splitting of 'd' orbitals for $[Co(NH_3)_6]^{3+}$.

ii) What happens to the 'd' orbital splitting pattern when the two ligands along the z-axis are removed.

iii) What is the crystal field stabilization energy (CFSE) for the following systems?

- a) d¹ octahedral
- b) d⁵ low spin octahedral
- c) d⁵ high spin octahedral

(45 marks)

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2) a) The complex ion $[Ni(CN)_4]^2$ was found to be diamagnetic while the complex ion [NiCl4]²⁻ was found to be paramagnetic with a magnetic moment of 2.9 BM. Deduce the structure of each of the complexes using Valence Bond Theory.

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(20 marks)

b) Explain, giving examples, the following terms as used in coordination chemistry.

You now find the following data

- Jahn-Teller effect i)
- Linkage isomerism ii)

(30 marks)

i) Write down the general properties of group VII^A elements c)

(20 marks)

ii) Outline five important similarities between F and O. bas goberny incomposition state contractive resident and (15 marks)

iii) Outline five properties in which H resembles halogens.

(15 marks)

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b) A phile solid has the molecular formula CoCL, SNH, HoC. A solution of this self i

iii) What is the crystal field stabilization energy (CESE) for the following