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CHEMISTRY

Paper : Core-406

(Physical Chemistry-V)

Full Marks : 60

Time : Three hours

***The figures in the margin indicate
full marks for the questions.***

Use separate booklet for UNIT-I and UNIT-II.

UNIT-I

(Advanced Quantum Chemistry)

(Marks : 30)

1. What is a Slater determinant? 1
2. Define a unitary matrix. 1
3. If $\hat{A}$ is a Hermitian operator, find whether
 $(\hat{A} + \hat{A}^\dagger)$ is Hermitian operator? 1

4. Answer **any three** questions : $4 \times 3 = 12$

(a) Define density matrix ($P_{\lambda\sigma}$). Derive an expression for the closed-shell Fock operator in terms of $P_{\lambda\sigma}$. $1+3=4$

(b) Show that the electron affinity for adding an electron to the virtual spin orbital (χ_r) is the negative of the orbital energy of that virtual orbital, $E_0^N - E_r^{N+1} = -\epsilon_r$.

(c) Find an expression for the Fock matrix ($F_{\mu\nu}$) in terms of density matrix ($P_{\mu\nu}$), core Hamiltonian (H^{core}) and a set of two-electron integrals.

(d) Show that the sum of orbital energies is not equal to the total energy. Give reasons. $3+1=4$

(e) What are closed-shell restricted spin orbitals? Convert the spin-orbital expression for orbital energies

$$\epsilon_i = \langle \chi_i | h | \chi_i \rangle + \sum_b^N \langle \chi_i \chi_b || \chi_i \chi_b \rangle \text{ to a closed-shell expression.}$$

$1+3=4$

5. Answer **any three** questions : $5 \times 3 = 15$

(a) Give *one* example of a *one*-electron and *two*-electron operator. Show that for the matrix element of *one*-electron operator O_1 , $\langle \Psi_a^r | O_1 | \Psi_b^s \rangle$

$$= \langle r | h | s \rangle \quad \text{if } a = b, r \neq s$$

$$= -\langle b | h | a \rangle \quad \text{if } a \neq b, r = s$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{if } a \neq b, r \neq s$$

$$2+3=5$$

(b) What are the Roothaan equations? Explain each term involved. Why are the equations solved iteratively?

(c) What is Computational Chemistry? How is it different from 'wet lab' Chemistry? Briefly explain *any three* methods used in Computational Chemistry. $2+3=5$

(d) Define an electron density. What is Density Functional Theory, and what are its advantages over wave function-based theories? $2+3=5$

(e) What is a Z-matrix representation in Computational Chemistry? Demonstrate the Z-matrix representation of water molecule. How can a relaxed and rigid potential energy surface be distinguished?

$$3+2=5$$

UNIT-II

(Advanced Statistical Mechanics)

(Marks : 30)

6. Answer **any three** of the following questions : 5×3=15

- (a) Taking the examples of one-dimensional harmonic oscillator and a particle in a cubical box, find the correspondence principle between quantum and classical partition functions.
- (b) Derive the expression of Maxwell-Boltzmann velocity distribution assuming that translation and rotation can be treated classically.
- (c) For the one-dimensional ising model prove that

$$\frac{(\theta - \alpha)(1 - \theta - \alpha)}{\alpha^2} = e^{-w/k_B T}$$

- (d) Prove that for an imperfect gas

$$B_3(T) = 4b_2^2 - 2b_3$$

- (e) Starting from the following equilibrium $2(01) \rightleftharpoons (11) + (00)$, derive the Langmuir isotherm and prove the symmetry property $y(\theta)y(1-\theta)=1$.

7. Answer **any three** of the following questions : 3×3=9

- (a) Discuss the Verlet algorithm to integrate the equations of motion in Molecular Dynamics simulation.
- (b) Derive the Metropolis acceptance criteria in a Monte Carlo simulation.
- (c) How temperature is defined in Molecular Dynamics simulation? Discuss the Andersen thermostat method. $\frac{1}{2} + 2\frac{1}{2} = 3$
- (d) Discuss the role of importance sampling in Monte Carlo simulations.
- (e) Explain the balance condition and detailed balance condition in Monte Carlo simulations. Discuss their significance.

8. Answer **any three** of the following questions : 2×3=6

- (a) What are the essential properties a good random number generator must satisfy?
- (b) What is periodic boundary condition? Discuss its role in computer simulations.

- (c) What is phase space? Define phase integral and explain its significance in statistical mechanics. $\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2} = 2$
- (d) Write the expression of configuration integral for a real gas. Modify this expression for an ideal gas. $1 + 1 = 2$
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