

B.A/B.Sc - 2nd Semester (old sylb 2018-19)

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Paper: Chemistry (Inorganic Chemistry-A)

Time Allowed: 2 hrs.

Max. Marks: 35

Note: There are EIGHT questions of equal marks. Candidates are required to attempt any FOUR questions.

Section - A

1. (a) BBr_3 is better lewis acid than BF_3 . Why? (2½)
- (b) What is meant by diagonal relationship in periodic classification? Discuss the diagonal relationship between boron and silicon. (6¼)
2. Write a brief note on:
 - (i) Anomalous behavior of fluorine
 - (ii) Fullerenes (8¾)

Section - B

3. (a) NaOH is stronger base than Ba(OH)_2 . Explain. (2½)
- (b) How does lithium differ from its congeners? (6¼)
4. (a) Define acid and base in terms of Bronsted-Lowry concept. Also give one limitation of this concept. (3¾)
- (b) Describe in detail the chemistry of liquid ammonia as a solvent. (5)

Section - C

5. What are phosphazenes? Discuss the nature of bonding in cyclic triphosphazenes. Also give important applications of polyphosphazenes. (8¾)
6. (a) What are silicones? Also discuss its applications. (3¾)
- (b) How will you prepare tetrasulphur tetranitride? Also briefly discuss its structure and conductivity. (5)

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Section - D

7. (a) Compounds of s and p block elements are generally colourless while those of transition elements are coloured. How would you explain this behavior? $(3\frac{3}{4})$
(b) Calculate the magnetic moment of (i) $[\text{Ni}(\text{en})_3]\text{Cl}_2$ and (ii) $[\text{Fe}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$ using spin only formula. (5)
8. Discuss the comparison of properties of first transition metal series with those of second and third transition series. $(8\frac{3}{4})$

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