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Course: Inorganic Chemistry-III Program: B.Sc. (H) Chemistry Course Code: CHEM2004		Semester : IVth Time : 03 hrs. Max. Marks: 100	
Instructions: i) Read questions carefully. ii) Section B and Section C have internal choice questions.			
SECTION A (5Qx4M=20Marks)			
S. No.		Marks	CO
Q 1	(a) In which of the following species does the transition metal ion have d^5 electronic configuration? (i) $[\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$ (ii) $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ (iii) $[\text{CoF}_6]^{3-}$ (iv) $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$ (b) Which one of the following statements is FALSE? (i) In an octahedral crystal field, the d electrons on a metal ion occupy the e_g set of orbitals before they occupy the t_{2g} set of orbitals. (ii) Diamagnetic metal ions cannot have an odd number of electrons. (iii) Low spin complexes can be paramagnetic. (iv) Low spin complexes contain strong field ligands.	2+2	CO1
Q 2	Calculate the crystal field stabilization energy (CFSE) value for the following systems: (i) d^4 low spin octahedral and (ii) d^5 high spin octahedral	4	CO1 CO2
Q 3	Give the general electronic configuration of lanthanides. Explain the anomalous oxidation states of 2+ and 4+ shown by some elements in the series.	4	CO1
Q 4	(a) Which of the following orders correctly describes the tendency of a ligand to direct ligand substitution in a square planar complex to a position opposite to itself? (i) $[\text{CN}]^- > [\text{NO}_2]^- > \text{Br}^- > \text{NH}_3$ (ii) $[\text{CN}]^- > \text{Br}^- > \text{NH}_3 > [\text{NO}_2]^-$	2+2	CO3

	<p>(iii) $[\text{NO}_2]^- > [\text{CN}]^- > \text{NH}_3 > \text{Br}^-$ (iv) $\text{Br}^- > [\text{CN}]^- > \text{NH}_3 > [\text{NO}_2]^-$</p> <p>(b) Which statement is correct?</p> <p>(i) A dissociative mechanism is a 2-step mechanism with the leaving group departing in the second step (ii) An associative mechanism is a 2-step mechanism; the intermediate has a lower coordination number than the starting complex (iii) In a dissociative interchange mechanism, bond breaking dominates over bond formation (iv) In an associative interchange mechanism, the entering group associates with the substrate after the leaving group has departed.</p>		
Q 5	Discuss three important factors influencing the magnitude of crystal field stabilization energy (CFSE) in octahedral complexes.	4	
SECTION B (4Qx10M= 40 Marks)			
Q 6	Construct and discuss the σ -bonding molecular orbital diagram for a complex in an octahedral environment. Highlight the frontier molecular orbitals (HOMO and LUMO) in its MO diagram.	10	CO2
Q 7	<p>Explain <i>Jahn-Teller</i> distortion present in case of d^9 and d^8 low spin systems.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>d^8 low spin metals never form octahedral complexes. Why it is so?</p>	10	CO1
Q 8	What is lanthanide contraction? What are its important consequences?	10	CO1
Q 9	Define <i>trans effect</i> in square planar complexes. Write down the reactions involved in the preparation of <i>cis</i> - and <i>trans</i> - $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$ by following <i>trans effect</i> series of the ligands.	10	CO2
SECTION-C (2Qx20M=40 Marks)			
Q 10	<p>What are inert and labile complexes? How will you explain the lability or inertness in case of following complex ions using valence bond theory?</p> <p>(i) $[\text{MnCl}_6]^{3-}$ (ii) $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$</p>	20	CO1 CO3

Q 11	<p>What are the nucleophilic substitution reactions that are involved in coordination compounds? Discuss the dissociative and associative mechanisms for octahedral complexes.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Explain the following statements:</p> <p>(i) Square planar complexes generally do not exhibit optical isomerism.</p> <p>(ii) Tetrahedral complexes do not show geometrical isomerism.</p> <p>(iii) Zr and Hf have almost similar atomic radii.</p> <p>(iv) Ce^{4+} is a good oxidizing agent.</p>	20	CO3
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