

2017

M.Sc. Part-II Examination

CHEMISTRY

PAPER—VIII

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 Hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*

*Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.*

**( Physical + Organic )**

**New Syllabus**

F.M. – 100

Time : 4 Hrs.

Answer Q. No. 1 and any five from the rest.

1. Answer any ten questions :

$10 \times 2 \frac{1}{2}$

- (i) Define the terms degree of polymerisation and kinetic chain length.

(Turn Over)

- (ii) Write down the structures of the repeat unit of the following polymers :
- (a) Nylon 6
- (b) Polyethyleneterephthalate.
- (iii) What do you mean by glass transition temperature ( $T_g$ ) of a polymer? How does it differ from crystalline melting temperature ( $T_m$ )?
- (iv) The number average molecular weight ( $\overline{M}_n$ ) of a sample of polyvinyl chloride (PVC) is 62500, calculate its number average degree of polymerisation ( $\overline{X}_n$ ).
- (v) Give two examples of free radical initiators and an example of anionic initiator.
- (vi) What do you mean by living polymerisation? Give an example of a living polymer.
- (vii) Give an example of an inhibitor and show how it inhibits free radical polymerisation.
- (viii) The minimum functionality requirement of a monomer for condensation polymerisation is two(2) — Explain.

- (ix) How molecular weight of polymer is controlled in condensation polymerisation?
- (x) Classify polythene on the basis of density.
- (xi) Name five essential ingredients used in the compounding of rubber.
- (xii) Mention the properties of isotactic polypropylene.
- (xiii) Give an average composition of natural rubber latex.
- (xiv) Name the raw materials used for the synthesis of epoxy resins.
- (xv) Give some examples of plasticizers used during compounding of PVC.
2. (a) Classify polymers on the basis of :
- (i) Thermal response ; and
- (ii) Application.  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2$
- (b) Discuss the important properties of polymers. 8
- (c) Name two monomers which undergo ring opening polymerisation. 2

3. (a) Deduce a rate expression for the free radical polymerisation of a vinyl monomer involving only bimolecular termination. 7
- (b) Write down the mechanism of anionic polymerisation. 5
- (c) Write a short note on auto acceleration. 3
4. (a) Deduce the Carothers equation for condensation polymerisation. 6
- (b) Deduce a rate expression for acid-catalysed polyesterification reaction. 6
- (c) Write a short note on interfacial polymerisation. 3

Or

Write a short note on chain transfer.

5. (a) Suggest a method each for the experimental determination of number average molecular weight ( $\bar{M}_n$ ) and weight average molecular weight. 3

- (b) Show the relative positions of  $\bar{M}_n$ ,  $\bar{M}_w$ ,  $\bar{M}_v$  and  $\bar{M}_z$  on the molecular weight distribution curve. 4
- (c) A sample of polystyrene is composed of the following fractions of different-sized molecules :

Fraction	No. of molecules	Molecular weight
1	60	15,000
2	25	25,000
3	10	50,000
4	5	80,000

Calculate the number average and weight-average molecular weights of this polymer sample. 8

6. (a) For binary copolymerisation deduce the copolymer composition equation. 9
- (b) Draw the ' $F_1$ ' vs ' $f_1$ ' graphs for ideal copolymerisation. 3
- (c) State the merits and demerits of emulsion polymerisation. 3

7. (a) Why preservation of natural rubber latex is necessary ?  
How is it done ? 2+1
- (b) Describe the manufacture of smoked sheet rubber from natural rubber latex. 6
- (c) Name some rubber accelerators. 2
- (d) Write a short note on vulcanisation of rubber. 4
8. (a) What is nitrile rubber ? Discuss in brief its preparation, properties and uses. 2+4+2+2
- (b) What do you mean by phenolic resin ? Describe the manufacturing process of resin mentioning thereby the reactions involved. 1+4
9. Write short notes on any *three* of the following : 5×3
- (a) Synthesis of high density polyethylene.
- (b) Properties and uses of EPDM rubber.
- (c) Synthesis of terylene.

- (d) Properties and uses of butyl rubber.
- (e) Difference between addition and condensation polymerisation.
- (f) Determination of viscosity average molecular weight,  $\overline{M}_v$ , of polymers.
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### Old Syllabus

F.M. - 75

Time : 3 Hrs.

Answer any *five* questions.

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- (b) Discuss the important properties of polymers. 8
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- (b) Write a short note on auto acceleration. 3
- (c) Write down the mechanism of anionic polymerisation. 5
3. (a) Write a short note on chain transfer. 3
- (b) Deduce the Carothers equation for condensation polymerisation. 6
- (c) Deduce a rate expression for acid-catalysed polyesterification reaction. 6
4. (a) Suggest a method each for the experimental determination of number average molecular weight ( $\bar{M}_n$ ), weight average molecular weight ( $\bar{M}_w$ ) and Z-average molecular weight ( $\bar{M}_z$ ). 3
- (b) Show the relative positions of  $\bar{M}_n$ ,  $\bar{M}_w$ ,  $\bar{M}_v$  and  $\bar{M}_z$  on the molecular weight distribution curve. 4

- (c) A sample of polystyrene is composed of the following fractions of different-sized molecules :

Fraction	No. of molecules	Molecular weight
1	50	10,000
2	25	20,000
3	15	60,000
4	10	1,00,000

Calculate the number average and weight average molecular weights of this polymer sample. 8

5. (a) For binary copolymerisation deduce the copolymer composition equation. 10
- (b) State three important differences between suspension and emulsion polymerisation. 3
- (c) Write down the values of the product  $r_1 r_2$  for the following copolymerisation processes :
- (i) Ideal copolymerisation ; and
- (ii) Alternate copolymerisation. 2
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- (b) Describe the manufacture of smoked sheet rubber from natural rubber latex. 6

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- (d) Solution polymerisation.
- (e) Difference between addition and condensation polymerisation.
- (f) Cationic polymerisation.