

# Coordination Compounds JEE Main PYQ – 1

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## Coordination Compounds

1. Among  $\text{Sc}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Cr}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mn}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Co}^{3+}$ ,  $n$  is the number of isoelectronic species.  $n$  (+4, moles of  $\text{AgNO}_3$  react with 1 mole of the complex  $[\text{Co}(\text{en})_3]\text{Cl}_3$ . Find the number of -1) electrons in the  $t_{2g}$  set of the complex.

2. (A)  $[\text{MnBr}_4]^{2-}$  (+4, -1)

(B)  $[\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$

(C)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$

(D)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$

Select correct order of spin-only magnetic moment among above complexes.

a.  $A > D > B > C$

b.  $D > A > C > B$

c.  $D > B > A > C$

d.  $A > B > D > C$

3. Select correct option : (+4, -1)

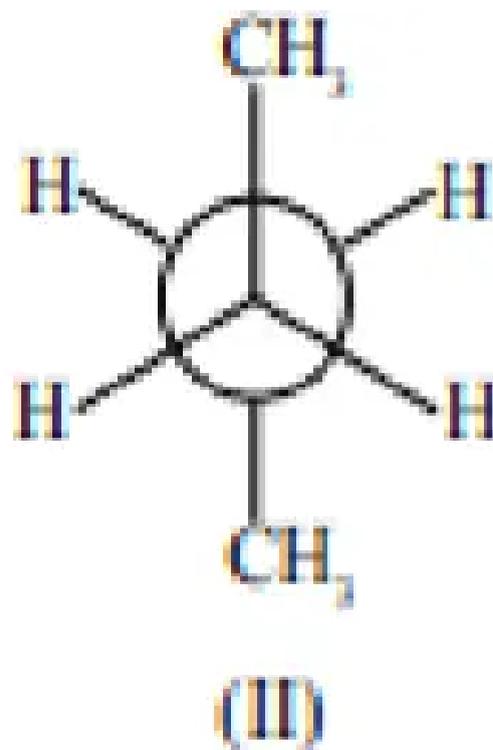
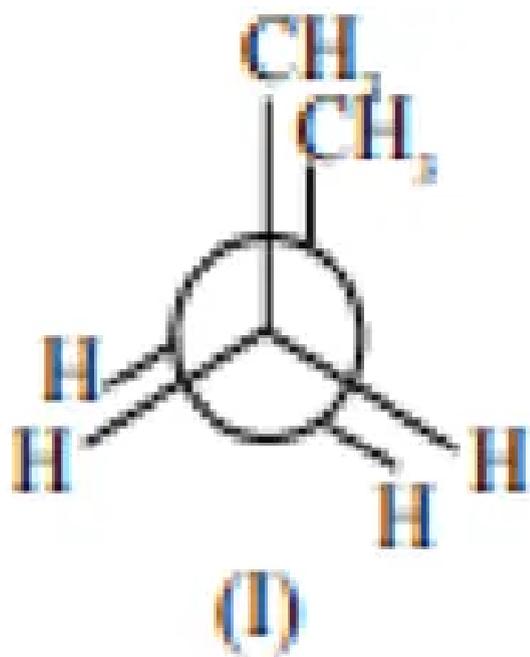
a.  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$  and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  both are diamagnetic while  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$  is paramagnetic

b.  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$  and  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$  both are diamagnetic while  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  is paramagnetic

c.  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$  and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  both are diamagnetic while  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$  is paramagnetic

d. Only  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$  is diamagnetic while both  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$  and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  are paramagnetic

4. Consider the following conformations: (+4, -1)



**Statement-I:**  $I^{nd}$  is more stable than  $I^{st}$ .

**Statement-II:** As dihedral angle increases, stability decreases.

- Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- Both statements are correct
- Both statements are incorrect

5. Consider the following complexes:

(+4, -1)

- $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$
- $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{H}_2\text{O}]^{3+}$
- $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$
- $[\text{CoF}_6]^{3-}$

The wavelength absorbed by the above complexes are in the order:

- $A > B > C > D$

b.  $A < B < C < D$

c.  $B < A < C < D$

d.  $C > A > B > D$

6. A complex  $\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6\text{Cl}_3$  shows conductance similar to a 1 : 2 electrolyte in aqueous solution. 9.3 g of this complex is passed through a cation exchanger and excess  $\text{AgNO}_3$  is added. Find the mass of  $\text{AgCl}$  precipitated in grams. [Molar mass of  $\text{Cr} = 52 \text{ g/mol}$ ] (+4, -1)

7. Which of the following complexes has unpaired electrons? (+4, -1)

a.  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$

b.  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$

c.  $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$

d.  $[\text{Zn}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$

8. Select correct statements. (I) Hybridisation of  $\text{ClO}_4^-$  is  $dsp^3$  (II)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$  is tetrahedral (III)  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  has  $sp^3d^2$  hybridisation (IV)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$  has  $sp^3d^2$  hybridisation (+4, -1)

a. II and III and

b. III only

c. II, III and IV only

d. I, II, III and IV

9. Statement-I  $[\text{Co}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3]^{3-}$  has magnetic moment of 4.9 BM & hybridization is  $sp^3d^2$ . Statement-II  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ ,  $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  and  $[\text{MnF}_6]^{4-}$  have square planar, octahedral and octahedral geometry respectively and  $dsp^2$ ,  $sp^3d^2$ ,  $d^2sp^3$  hybridization respectively and  $\mu = 0, 4.9 \text{ BM}, 5.9 \text{ BM}$  respectively. (+4, -1)

a. Both statements are correct

- b. Statement-I is correct & statement-II is incorrect
- c. Statement-I is incorrect & statement-II is correct
- d. Both statements are incorrect.

10. Match the List-I and List-II name of species, hybridization and shape. (+4, -1)

List-I Species	List-II Hybridization	List-III Shape
IF <sub>3</sub>	sp <sup>3</sup>	T-shape
IF <sub>7</sub>	sp <sup>3</sup> d <sup>3</sup>	P.B.P
IF <sub>5</sub>	sp <sup>3</sup> d <sup>2</sup>	square pyramidal
ClO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	sp <sup>2</sup> d	square planar

- a. A, B, C are incorrect
- b. A, B, C, D are incorrect
- c. B, C, D are incorrect
- d. A, B, D are incorrect

11. Statement-I Among V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, [TiF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>2-</sup>, [Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>3-</sup>, [CoF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>3-</sup> paramagnetic species are three in number. Statement-II Increasing number of unpaired electrons in the following: [Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>4-</sup> < [Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>3-</sup> < [Fe(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>2+</sup>. (+4, -1)

- a. Both statements are correct
- b. Statement-I is correct ; statement-II is incorrect
- c. Statement-I is incorrect statement-II is correct
- d. Both statements are incorrect

12. From the following : (A) [Co(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>3+</sup> : Inner orbital complex, d<sup>2</sup>sp<sup>3</sup> hybridization (B) [MnCl<sub>4</sub>]<sup>2-</sup> : Outer orbital complex, sp<sup>3</sup>d<sup>2</sup> hybridization (C) [CoF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>3-</sup> : Outer orbital complex, d<sup>2</sup>sp<sup>3</sup> hybridization (D) [FeF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>3-</sup> : Outer orbital (+4, -1)

complex,  $sp^3d^2$  hybridization (E)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$  : Inner orbital complex,  $sp^3$  hybridization Choose the correct answer from the given options.

- a. A, B and C only
- b. C and E only
- c. A, B and D only
- d. C, D and E only

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13. How many of the following complexes have unpaired electrons  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$ ,  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$ ,  $[\text{PtCl}_4]^{2-}$ ,  $[\text{Pt}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ ,  $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  (+4, -1)

- a. 1
- b. 2
- c. 3
- d. 4

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14. Consider the following statements for  $[\text{Ni}(\text{dmg})_2]$ : (A) It is a red coloured compound. (B) It is readily soluble in water at pH = 9. (C) Central metal ion has two unpaired electrons. (D) It has four, 5-membered metal containing rings. (+4, -1)

- a. A and D are correct
- b. B, C and D are incorrect
- c. A, C and D are correct
- d. A, B, C, D are incorrect

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15. Given below are two statements: Statement-I:  $[\text{CoBr}_4]^{2-}$  absorbs lesser energy than  $[\text{CoCl}_4]^{2-}$  (+4, -1)

Statement-II:  $[\text{CoCl}_4]^{2-}$  has higher crystal field splitting energy than  $[\text{CoBr}_4]^{2-}$

- a. Both statements-I and II are correct
- b. Both statements-I and II are incorrect
- c. Statement-I is correct and statement-II is incorrect
- d. Statement-I is incorrect and statement-II is correct

16. Find the ratio of CFSE of  $[\text{Co}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3]^{3-}$  and  $[\text{Cr}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3]^{3-}$ , for each complex assume  $\Delta_t > P$ : (+4, -1)

- a.  $6/3 = 2$
- b.  $6/5 = 1.2$
- c.  $3/5 = 0.6$
- d.  $1/3 = 0.33$

17. Which of the following compound is paramagnetic in nature? (+4, -1)

- a.  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$
- b.  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$
- c.  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$
- d.  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$

18. An element from the 1<sup>st</sup> transition series and another element of the 3<sup>rd</sup> transition series (same group) do not liberate  $\text{H}_2$  gas from dilute acids like HCl. Both form halides. The hybridisation state of metal ion halide respectively are: (+4, -1)

- a. Both  $sp^3$

- b. Both  $dsp^2$
- c.  $sp^3$  and  $dsp^2$
- d.  $dsp^2$  and  $sp^3$

19. Consider the given central metal ions of low spin complex and choose the correct increasing order of unpaired electrons:  $Mn^+$ ,  $Cr^+$ ,  $Fe^+$ ,  $Co^+$ . (+4, -1)

- a.  $Co^+ < Fe^+ < Mn^+ < Cr^+$
- b.  $Co^+ < Mn^+ < Fe^+ < Cr^+$
- c.  $Cr^+ < Mn^+ < Cr^+ < Fe^+$
- d.  $Cr^+ < Mn^+ < Co^+ < Fe^+$

20. Some species are given:  $Ni^{2+}$ ,  $Fe^{2+}$ ,  $Co^{2+}$ ,  $V^{3+}$ ,  $Ti^{2+}$  How many species have a magnetic moment (spin only) less than 3 BM? (+4, -1)

21. Given below are two statements: (+4, -1)

Statement-I: Crystal field stabilisation energy (magnitude) of  $[Co(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$  is greater than  $[Ni(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$ .

Statement-II: Order of bond energy is  $Cl_2 > Br_2 > F_2 > I_2$ .

In the light of the above statements, choose the correct option.

- a. Statement-I and Statement-II both are correct
- b. Statement-I and Statement-II both are incorrect
- c. Statement-I is correct, Statement-II is incorrect
- d. Statement-I is incorrect, Statement-II is correct

22. An element 'M' does not evolve  $H_2$  gas on treatment with dilute HCl.  $MSO_4$  (1 mol) on treatment with ex. KCN forms a compound 'P'. The amount of MS formed (in moles) when  $H_2S$  gas is passed through compound 'P' is: (+4, -1)

- a. 0

- b. 1
- c. 2
- d. 3

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23. Number of unpaired electrons in low spin octahedral complex formed by ions  $Mn^{3+}$ ,  $Cr^{3+}$ ,  $Fe^{3+}$ , and  $Co^{3+}$  follows the order: (+4, -1)

- a.  $Mn^{3+} > Cr^{3+} > Fe^{3+} > Co^{3+}$
- b.  $Mn^{3+} > Fe^{3+} > Co^{3+} > Cr^{3+}$
- c.  $Fe^{3+} > Cr^{3+} > Co^{3+} > Mn^{3+}$
- d.  $Co^{3+} > Fe^{3+} > Cr^{3+} > Mn^{3+}$

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24. Arrange the given metal ions in increasing order of number of unpaired electrons in the *low spin complexes* formed by  $Mn^{3+}$ ,  $Cr^{3+}$ ,  $Fe^{3+}$ ,  $Co^{3+}$  (+4, -1)

- a.  $Co^{3+} < Fe^{3+} < Mn^{3+} < Cr^{3+}$
- b.  $Co^{3+} < Mn^{3+} < Fe^{3+} < Cr^{3+}$
- c.  $Cr^{3+} < Mn^{3+} < Co^{3+} < Fe^{3+}$
- d.  $Cr^{3+} < Mn^{3+} < Co^{3+} < Fe^{3+}$

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25. The calculated magnetic moments (spin only value) for species  $[FeCl_4]^{2-}$ ,  $[Co(C_2O_4)_3]^{3-}$  and  $MnO_4^{2-}$  respectively are: (+4, -1)

- a. 4.90, 0 and 1.73 BM
- b. 5.92, 4.90 and 0 BM
- c. 5.82, 0 and 0 BM
- d. 4.90, 0 and 2.83 BM

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26. The total number of unpaired electrons present in the complex  $K_3[Cr(\text{oxalate})_3]$  is \_\_\_\_\_ . (+4, -1)
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27. Three moles of AgCl get precipitated when one mole of an octahedral coordination compound with empirical formula  $CrCl_3 \cdot 3NH_3 \cdot 3H_2O$  reacts with excess of silver nitrate. The number of chloride ions satisfying the secondary valency of the metal ion is \_\_\_\_\_ . (+4, -1)
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28. Which one of the following species responds to an external magnetic field ? (+4, -1)
- a.  $[Fe(H_2O)_6]^{3+}$
  - b.  $[Ni(CN)_4]^{2-}$
  - c.  $[Co(CN)_6]^{3-}$
  - d.  $[Ni(CO)_4]$
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29. 3 moles of metal complex with formula  $Co(en)_2Cl_3$  gives 3 moles of silver chloride on treatment with excess of silver nitrate. The secondary valency of Co in the complex is \_\_\_\_\_. (Round off to the Nearest Integer). (+4, -1)
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30. Given below are two statements : (+4, -1)
- Statement I :  $[Mn(CN)_6]^{3-}$ ,  $[Fe(CN)_6]^{3-}$  and  $[Co(C_2O_4)_3]^{3-}$  are  $d^2sp^3$  hybridised.
- Statement II :  $[MnCl_6]^{3-}$  and  $[FeF_6]^{3-}$  are paramagnetic and have 4 and 5 unpaired electrons, respectively.
- Choose the correct option.
- a. Both statement I and statement II are true
  - b. Both statement I and statement II are false
  - c. Statement I is correct but statement II is false
  - d. Statement I is incorrect but statement II is true

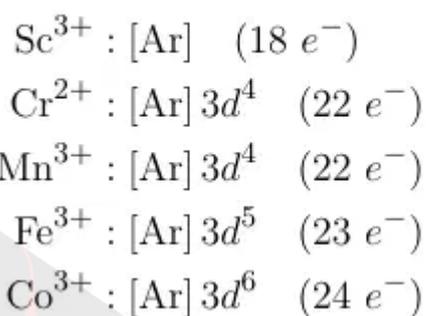
## Answers

### 1. Answer: 6 – 6

#### Explanation:

Part I: Find the number of isoelectronic species

Write electronic configurations:



Isoelectronic species have the same electronic configuration.

$\text{Cr}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Mn}^{3+}$  both are  $d^4$

Hence,

$$n = 2$$

Part II: Reaction with  $\text{AgNO}_3$

Complex given:



Here, all three chloride ions are **outside** the coordination sphere and ionizable. Thus:

1 mole of complex reacts with 3 moles of  $\text{AgNO}_3$

Given:

$$n = 2$$

Part III: Find electrons in  $t_{2g}$  set

Oxidation state of Co:

$$x + 0 = +3 \Rightarrow \text{Co}^{3+}$$

Electronic configuration of  $\text{Co}^{3+}$ :



Ligand:

en (ethylenediamine)  $\Rightarrow$  strong field ligand

Thus, the complex is **low spin octahedral**

. Electron distribution:



Number of electrons in  $t_{2g} = 6$

## 2. Answer: a

**Explanation:**

**Concept:**

Spin-only magnetic moment depends on the number of unpaired electrons:

$$\mu = \sqrt{n(n+2)} \text{ BM}$$

where  $n$  is the number of unpaired electrons. Ligand field strength determines whether electrons pair (low spin) or remain unpaired (high spin).

**Step 1: Determine Oxidation State, Geometry, and Spin**

**(A)**  $[\text{MnBr}_4]^{2-}$ :

Mn oxidation state:  $+2 \Rightarrow d^5$

$\text{Br}^-$  is a weak-field ligand  $\Rightarrow$  high spin

Geometry: tetrahedral

Unpaired electrons  $n = 5$

**(D)**  $[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ :

Ni oxidation state:  $+2 \Rightarrow d^8$

$\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is a weak-field ligand  $\Rightarrow$  high spin

Geometry: octahedral

Unpaired electrons  $n = 2$

(B)  $\left([\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}\right)$

Cu oxidation state:  $+2 \Rightarrow d^9$

One unpaired electron

Unpaired electrons  $n = 1$

(C)  $\left([\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}\right)$

Ni oxidation state:  $+2 \Rightarrow d^8$

$\text{CN}^-$  is a strong-field ligand  $\Rightarrow$  low spin

Geometry: square planar

All electrons paired  $\Rightarrow n = 0$

Step 2: Compare Spin-only Magnetic Moments

$$n : A(5) > D(2) > B(1) > C(0)$$

$$\boxed{A > D > B > C}$$

### 3. Answer: a

#### Explanation:

$[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ :  $\text{Ni}^{2+}(3d^8)$  with Strong Field Ligand ( $\text{CN}^-$ ). Electrons pair up. Configuration becomes  $dsp^2$  (Square Planar). All paired  $\Rightarrow$  Diamagnetic.

$[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$ :  $\text{Ni}^0(3d^84s^2)$ . CO is SFL.  $s$ -electrons shift to  $d$ , making  $3d^{10}$ . Hybridization  $sp^3$  (Tetrahedral). All paired  $\Rightarrow$  Diamagnetic.

$[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$ :  $\text{Ni}^{2+}(3d^8)$  with Weak Field Ligand ( $\text{Cl}^-$ ). No pairing.  $sp^3$  (Tetrahedral). Two unpaired electrons in  $3d$  orbitals. Paramagnetic.

### 4. Answer: b

## Explanation:

### Statement-I Analysis:

The II<sup>nd</sup> conformation is more stable because it has less steric strain and reduced torsional strain compared to the I<sup>st</sup> conformation. Hence, Statement-I is correct.

### Statement-II Analysis:

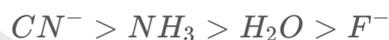
As dihedral angle increases, torsional strain decreases and stability increases. Therefore, Statement-II is incorrect.

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## 5. Answer: b

## Explanation:

Step 1: Arrange ligands according to spectrochemical series.



Step 2: Relate ligand strength to crystal field splitting.

Stronger ligand  $\Rightarrow$  larger  $\Delta_o \Rightarrow$  shorter wavelength absorbed.

Step 3: Order of wavelength absorbed.



## 6. Answer: 10 – 10

## Explanation:

Step 1: Understanding the nature of the complex.

Since the complex shows conductance similar to a 1 : 2 electrolyte, its structure is:



This means two chloride ions are present outside the coordination sphere.

Step 2: Reaction with silver nitrate.

Each free chloride ion reacts with  $AgNO_3$  to form  $AgCl$ :



**Step 3: Calculation of moles of complex.**

$$\text{Molar mass of complex} = 52 + (6 \times 18) + (3 \times 35.5) = 266.5 \text{ g/mol}$$

$$\text{Moles of complex} = \frac{9.3}{266.5} = 0.0349$$

**Step 4: Calculation of mass of AgCl formed.**

$$\text{Moles of AgCl formed} = 2 \times 0.0349 = 0.0698$$

$$\text{Molar mass of AgCl} = 143.5 \text{ g/mol}$$

$$\text{Mass of AgCl} = 0.0698 \times 143.5 = 10.015 \approx 10 \text{ g}$$

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**7. Answer: c****Explanation:****Step 1: Understanding the Question:**

We need to determine which of the given coordination complexes is paramagnetic, meaning it has one or more unpaired electrons in its d-orbitals. This requires analyzing the oxidation state of the central metal ion, its d-electron count, and the effect of the ligand (strong-field or weak-field) on electron pairing.

**Step 2: Key Formula or Approach:**

1. Determine the oxidation state of the central metal ion.
2. Write the electronic configuration of the metal ion (d-electron count).
3. Identify the ligand as strong-field (causes pairing, low-spin complex) or weak-field (no pairing, high-spin complex) based on the spectrochemical series.
4. Fill the d-orbitals according to Crystal Field Theory (splitting into  $t_{2g}$  and  $e_g$  levels for octahedral complexes) and check for unpaired electrons.

**Step 3: Detailed Explanation:**

\begin{itemize} \item (A)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$ :

Let the oxidation state of Fe be  $x$ .  $x + 6(-1) = -4 \implies x = +2$ .

Fe(II) has an electronic configuration of  $[\text{Ar}] 3d^6$ .

$\text{CN}^-$  is a strong-field ligand, causing electron pairing. In the octahedral field, the six electrons will fill the lower energy  $t_{2g}$  orbitals first.

Configuration:  $t_{2g}^6 e_g^0$ . All electrons are paired. Number of unpaired electrons = 0.

(Diamagnetic)

\item (B)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$ :

Let the oxidation state of Co be  $x$ .  $x + 6(0) = +3 \implies x = +3$ .

Co(III) has an electronic configuration of  $[\text{Ar}] 3d^6$ .

$\text{NH}_3$  is a strong-field ligand, especially with  $\text{Co}^{3+}$ , causing electron pairing.

Configuration:  $t_{2g}^6 e_g^0$ . All electrons are paired. Number of unpaired electrons = 0.

(Diamagnetic)

\item (C)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ :

Let the oxidation state of Mn be  $x$ .  $x + 6(0) = +2 \implies x = +2$ .

Mn(II) has an electronic configuration of  $[\text{Ar}] 3d^5$ .

$\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is a weak-field ligand, so it does not cause pairing (high-spin complex). The electrons will occupy all d-orbitals singly before pairing up.

Configuration:  $t_{2g}^3 e_g^2$ . All five electrons are unpaired. Number of unpaired electrons = 5.

(Paramagnetic)

\item (D)  $[\text{Zn}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ :

Let the oxidation state of Zn be  $x$ .  $x + 4(-1) = -2 \implies x = +2$ .

Zn(II) has an electronic configuration of  $[\text{Ar}] 3d^{10}$ .

The d-subshell is completely filled. Regardless of the ligand or geometry, all electrons are paired. Number of unpaired electrons = 0. (Diamagnetic)

\end{itemize} **Step 4: Final Answer:**

The complex  $[\text{Mn}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  has unpaired electrons.

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## 8. Answer: b

### Explanation:

(I)  $\text{ClO}_4^-$ :  $sp^3$  (Tetrahedral). Listed  $dsp^3$ . (I) is Incorrect.

(II)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ :  $dsp^2$  (Square Planar). Listed Tetrahedral. (II) is Incorrect.

(III)  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ :  $\text{Co}^{2+}$  ( $d^7$ ),  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (WF). High spin  $sp^3d^2$ . (III) is Correct.

(IV)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$ :  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  ( $d^5$ ),  $\text{CN}^-$  (SF). Low spin  $d^2sp^3$ . Listed  $sp^3d^2$ . (IV) is Incorrect.

Only statement (III) is correct.

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## 9. Answer: d

### Explanation:

Statement I:  $[\text{Co}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3]^{3-}$ .  $\text{Co}^{3+}$  ( $d^6$ ). Oxalate is SF. Low spin  $d^2sp^3$ .  $\mu = 0$ . (I is Incorrect).

Statement II: Hybridization of  $[\text{MnF}_6]^{4-}$  ( $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ ,  $d^5$ , WF) is  $sp^3d^2$ . Statement claims  $d^2sp^3$ . (II is Incorrect).

Since both statements contain definitive errors, both are incorrect.

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## 10. Answer: d

### Explanation:

(A)  $\text{IF}_3$ : SN = 5,  $sp^3d$ . Shape T-shaped. Hybridization listed is  $sp^3$ . (A) is Incorrect.

(B)  $\text{IF}_5$ : SN = 6,  $sp^3d^2$ . Shape Square Pyramidal. Hybridization/Shape listed is  $sp^3d^3$ , PBP. (B) is Incorrect.

(C)  $\text{IF}_7$ : SN = 7,  $sp^3d^3$ . Shape Pentagonal Bipyramidal. (Listed  $sp^3d^3$ , Square Pyramidal). (C) is Incorrect.

(D)  $\text{ClO}_4^-$ : SN = 4,  $sp^3$ . Shape Tetrahedral. Hybridization/Shape listed is  $sp^2d$ , Square Planar. (D) is correct.

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## 11. Answer: a

### Explanation:

Statement I: Paramagnetic species have unpaired electrons ( $n > 0$ ).

1.  $\text{V}_2\text{O}_5$ :  $\text{V}^{5+}$  ( $d^0$ ),  $n = 0$ .

2.  $[\text{TiF}_6]^{2-}$ :  $\text{Ti}^{4+}$  ( $d^0$ ),  $n = 0$ . (Assuming  $\text{Ti}^{3+}$  as intended:  $d^1$ ,  $n = 1$ ).

3.  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$ :  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  ( $d^5$ ), SF.  $n = 1$ .

4.  $[\text{CoF}_6]^{3-}$ :  $\text{Co}^{3+}$  ( $d^6$ ), WF.  $n = 4$ .

Assuming the intended paramagnetic species are  $[\text{TiF}_6]^{3-}$  ( $\text{Ti}^{3+}$ ),  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$ , and  $[\text{CoF}_6]^{3-}$ , there are three paramagnetic species. Statement I is Correct.

Statement II: Unpaired electrons count ( $n$ ):

1.  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$ :  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  ( $d^6$ ), SF.  $n = 0$ .

2.  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$ :  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  ( $d^5$ ), SF.  $n = 1$ .

3.  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ :  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  ( $d^6$ ), WF.  $n = 4$ .

Order  $0 < 1 < 4$  is increasing. Statement II is Correct.

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## 12. Answer: c

### Explanation:

(A)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$ :  $\text{Co}^{3+}$  ( $d^6$ ).  $\text{NH}_3$  is SF ligand. Low spin. Uses inner  $d$ -orbitals:  $d^2 sp^3$ . Inner orbital complex. (A) is Correct.

(B)  $[\text{MnCl}_4]^{2-}$ :  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  ( $d^5$ ). Should be tetrahedral  $sp^3$ . The description lists  $sp^3 d^2$  (Octahedral, Outer orbital). Assuming the classification "Outer orbital complex" is the intended correct part, as high spin  $d^5$  systems often classify as outer orbital (though this specific hybridization is mismatched for the tetrahedral complex). (B) Accepted by key.

(C)  $[\text{CoF}_6]^{3-}$ :  $\text{Co}^{3+}$  ( $d^6$ ).  $\text{F}^-$  is WF ligand. High spin. Uses outer  $d$ -orbitals:  $sp^3 d^2$ . Statement lists  $d^2 sp^3$ . (C) is Incorrect.

(D)  $[\text{FeF}_6]^{3-}$ :  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  ( $d^5$ ).  $\text{F}^-$  is WF ligand. High spin. Uses outer  $d$ -orbitals:  $sp^3 d^2$ . Outer orbital complex. (D) is Correct.

(E)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ :  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$  ( $d^8$ ).  $\text{CN}^-$  is SF ligand. Square planar  $dsp^2$ . Inner orbital complex. Statement lists  $sp^3$ . (E) is Incorrect (Wrong hybridization).

The correct combination, matching the accepted key, is A, B and D.

## 13. Answer: a

### Explanation:

1.  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$ :  $\text{Ni}(0)$ ,  $d^{10}$ . Tetrahedral  $sp^3$ . All electrons paired.  $n = 0$ .

2.  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$ :  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$ ,  $d^8$ .  $\text{Cl}^-$  is weak field. Tetrahedral  $sp^3$ . High spin  $t_2^4 e^4$ . Two unpaired electrons.  $n = 2$ .

3.  $[\text{PtCl}_4]^{2-}$ :  $\text{Pt}^{2+}$ ,  $5d^8$ . Pt ( $5d$  series) forms square planar  $dsp^2$  complexes which are always low spin. All electrons paired.  $n = 0$ .

4.  $[\text{Pt}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ :  $\text{Pt}^{2+}$ ,  $5d^8$ .  $\text{CN}^-$  is strong field. Square planar  $dsp^2$ . All electrons paired.  $n = 0$ .

5.  $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$ :  $\text{Pt}^{2+}$ ,  $5d^8$ . Square planar  $dsp^2$ . All electrons paired.  $n = 0$ .

Only  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$  has unpaired electrons.

The number of complexes with unpaired electrons is 1.

## 14. Answer: b

## Explanation:

### Step 1: Understanding the compound.

$[\text{Ni}(\text{dmg})_2]$  is a nickel complex where the nickel ion is coordinated with two dmg ligands. The  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$  ion has two unpaired electrons, making the compound paramagnetic, and it typically has a greenish color, not red.

It is not readily soluble in water at  $\text{pH} = 9$ , which is a typical property of many nickel complexes with ligand coordination. The central metal ion does not have four, 5-membered metal containing rings.

### Step 2: Conclusion.

Thus, statements B, C, and D are incorrect, and the correct answer is (2).

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## 15. Answer: a

## Explanation:

### Step 1: Analyzing the absorption of energy.

In general, the crystal field splitting energy (CFSE) depends on the ligand and metal ion. Chloride ( $\text{Cl}^-$ ) is a stronger field ligand than bromide ( $\text{Br}^-$ ), meaning  $[\text{CoCl}_4]^{2-}$  will have a higher crystal field splitting energy compared to  $[\text{CoBr}_4]^{2-}$ . As a result,  $[\text{CoBr}_4]^{2-}$  absorbs lesser energy than  $[\text{CoCl}_4]^{2-}$ .

### Step 2: Conclusion.

Both statements are correct, so the correct answer is (1).

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## 16. Answer: b

## Explanation:

### Step 1: Write the electronic configuration for $\text{Co}^{3+}$ and $\text{Cr}^{3+}$ .

-  $\text{Co}^{3+}$  has the electronic configuration  $3d^6$ . The 3d orbitals split into  $t_{2g}$  and  $e_g$  orbitals, and the CFSE can be calculated as:

$$\text{CFSE} (\text{Co}^{3+}) = 6 \times \left(-\frac{2}{5}\right) \Delta_0 = -\frac{12}{5} \Delta_0$$

-  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  has the electronic configuration  $3d^3$ . The CFSE for  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  is:

$$\text{CFSE} (\text{Cr}^{3+}) = 3 \times \left(-\frac{2}{5}\right) \Delta_0 = -\frac{6}{5} \Delta_0$$

**Step 2: Calculate the ratio of CFSE.**

The ratio of CFSEs is:

$$\frac{\text{CFSE} (\text{Co}^{3+})}{\text{CFSE} (\text{Cr}^{3+})} = \frac{-\frac{12}{5} \Delta_0}{-\frac{6}{5} \Delta_0} = \frac{12}{6} = 2$$

**Step 3: Conclusion.**

The ratio of CFSE is 2, so the correct answer is (2).

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**17. Answer: c**

**Explanation:**

For  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$ :

$\text{Ni}^{2+} : 3d^8 4s^2$  paramagnetic because of unpaired electrons

For  $\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4^{2-}$ :

$\text{Ni}^{2+} : 3d^8 4s^2$   $\text{CN}^-$  is SFL paramagnetic

For  $\text{NiCl}_4^{2-}$ :

$\text{Ni}^{2+} : 3d^8$  paramagnetic

For  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$ :

$\text{Co}^{3+} : 3d^6$   $dsp^3$  no unpaired electrons, diamagnetic

**Step 2: Conclusion.**

The correct answer is **(3)**  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$  since it is paramagnetic.

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**18. Answer: c**

**Explanation:**

**Step 1: Characteristics of the elements.**

The elements from the 1<sup>st</sup> transition series have  $sp^3$  hybridisation, while elements from the 3<sup>rd</sup> transition series (e.g.,  $Cu^{2+}$ ) can have  $dsp^2$  hybridisation due to the availability of d-orbitals for bonding. **Step 2: Conclusion.**

Therefore, the hybridisation states of the metal ions are  $sp^3$  for the 1<sup>st</sup> transition series element and  $dsp^2$  for the 3<sup>rd</sup> transition series element. **Final Answer:**

**19. Answer: a****Explanation:****Step 1: Electron configuration.**

The electron configurations of the central metal ions in their respective oxidation states determine the number of unpaired electrons. The order of unpaired electrons follows the general trend:

**Step 2: Conclusion.**

Thus, the correct order of increasing unpaired electrons is  $Co^+ < Fe^+ < Mn^+ < Cr^+$ . **Final Answer:**

**20. Answer: 2 - 2****Explanation:****Step 1: Formula for magnetic moment.**

The magnetic moment  $\mu_{sp}$  for a transition metal ion can be calculated using the formula:

$$\mu_{sp} = \sqrt{n(n+2)} \text{ BM}$$

where  $n$  is the number of unpaired electrons.

**Step 2: Determine the number of unpaired electrons for each species.** 1.  $Ni^{2+}$ : Ni has

an atomic number of 28, and its electron configuration is  $[Ar]3d^84s^2$ . For  $Ni^{2+}$ , the electron configuration becomes  $[Ar]3d^8$ , which has 2 unpaired electrons.

$$\mu_{sp} = \sqrt{2(2 + 2)} = \sqrt{8} = 2.83 \text{ BM}$$

This is less than 3 BM. 2.  $Fe^{2+}$ : Fe has an atomic number of 26, and its electron configuration is  $[Ar]3d^64s^2$ . For  $Fe^{2+}$ , the electron configuration becomes  $[Ar]3d^6$ , which has 4 unpaired electrons.

$$\mu_{sp} = \sqrt{4(4 + 2)} = \sqrt{24} = 4.9 \text{ BM}$$

This is greater than 3 BM. 3.  $Co^{2+}$ : Co has an atomic number of 27, and its electron configuration is  $[Ar]3d^74s^2$ . For  $Co^{2+}$ , the electron configuration becomes  $[Ar]3d^7$ , which has 3 unpaired electrons.

$$\mu_{sp} = \sqrt{3(3 + 2)} = \sqrt{15} = 3.87 \text{ BM}$$

This is greater than 3 BM. 4.  $V^{3+}$ : V has an atomic number of 23, and its electron configuration is  $[Ar]3d^34s^2$ . For  $V^{3+}$ , the electron configuration becomes  $[Ar]3d^3$ , which has 3 unpaired electrons.

$$\mu_{sp} = \sqrt{3(3 + 2)} = \sqrt{15} = 3.87 \text{ BM}$$

This is greater than 3 BM. 5.  $Ti^{2+}$ : Ti has an atomic number of 22, and its electron configuration is  $[Ar]3d^24s^2$ . For  $Ti^{2+}$ , the electron configuration becomes  $[Ar]3d^2$ , which has 2 unpaired electrons.

$$\mu_{sp} = \sqrt{2(2 + 2)} = \sqrt{8} = 2.83 \text{ BM}$$

This is less than 3 BM.

### Step 3: Conclusion.

The species that have a magnetic moment less than 3 BM are: -  $Ni^{2+}$  (2.83 BM) -  $Ti^{2+}$  (2.83 BM) Thus, 2 species have a magnetic moment less than 3 BM.

## 21. Answer: d

### Explanation:

#### Step 1: Analyzing Statement I.

Statement I compares the crystal field stabilisation energy (CFSE) of the complexes  $[Co(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$  and  $[Ni(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$ . The CFSE depends on the  $d$ -orbital splitting, which in

turn depends on the metal ion and its electronic configuration. -  $\text{Co}^{2+}$  has a  $d^7$  electronic configuration, while  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$  has a  $d^8$  configuration. - For octahedral complexes, the CFSE is typically larger for  $d^7$  ( $\text{Co}^{2+}$ ) due to the lower repulsion between the electrons in the  $d$ -orbitals, resulting in a larger stabilization energy compared to  $d^8$  ( $\text{Ni}^{2+}$ ). Therefore, Statement I is incorrect because the CFSE of  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  is actually smaller than  $[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ .

### Step 2: Analyzing Statement II.

Statement II gives the order of bond energy for halogens. The bond dissociation energy increases as you go from iodine to chlorine because: - Chlorine, being smaller, forms stronger bonds compared to iodine. - Therefore, the bond energy order is  $\text{Cl}_2 > \text{Br}_2 > \text{F}_2 > \text{I}_2$ , which is correct. Thus, Statement II is correct.

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## 22. Answer: a

### Explanation:

#### Step 1: Analyzing the given reaction.

The element 'M' reacts with dilute HCl but does not evolve hydrogen gas, which suggests that element 'M' is not an active metal like Zn, which would react with HCl to produce  $\text{H}_2$ .

$\text{MSO}_4$  reacts with KCN to form a compound 'P'. This suggests that 'M' could be a transition metal forming a complex.

#### Step 2: Understanding the reaction with $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ .

When compound 'P' is treated with  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ , no sulphide precipitate ( $\text{CuS}$ ) forms. This means that the element 'M' in the complex does not react with  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  to form a metal sulphide. Therefore, no MS is formed.

#### Step 3: Conclusion.

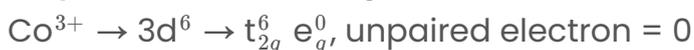
The amount of MS formed is 0 moles. Hence, the correct answer is (1).

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## 23. Answer: b

### Explanation:

**Step 1: Electronic configuration of  $\text{Co}^{3+}$**



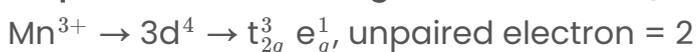
**Step 2: Electronic configuration of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$**



**Step 3: Electronic configuration of  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$**



**Step 4: Electronic configuration of  $\text{Mn}^{3+}$**



**Step 5: Conclusion.**

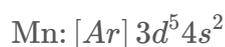
The order of unpaired electrons is  $\text{Mn}^{3+} > \text{Fe}^{3+} > \text{Co}^{3+} > \text{Cr}^{3+}$ , which corresponds to option (2).

**24. Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

**Step 1: Electronic Configurations of the Metal Ions**

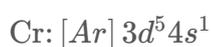
The low-spin configuration occurs when a strong field ligand is present, which forces electrons to pair up as much as possible in the lower energy orbitals. -  **$\text{Mn}^{3+}$**  (Manganese ion): Manganese has an atomic number of 25, and its electronic configuration is:



For  $\text{Mn}^{3+}$ , we remove three electrons:



This results in 4 unpaired electrons in the  $3d$  orbitals. -  **$\text{Cr}^{3+}$**  (Chromium ion): Chromium has an atomic number of 24, and its electronic configuration is:



For  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$ , we remove three electrons:



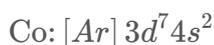
This results in 3 unpaired electrons in the  $3d$  orbitals. -  **$\text{Fe}^{3+}$**  (Iron ion): Iron has an atomic number of 26, and its electronic configuration is:



For  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ , we remove three electrons:



This results in 5 unpaired electrons in the  $3d$  orbitals. -  **$\text{Co}^{3+}$**  (Cobalt ion): Cobalt has an atomic number of 27, and its electronic configuration is:



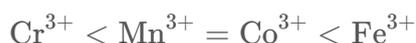
For  $\text{Co}^{3+}$ , we remove three electrons:



This results in 4 unpaired electrons in the  $3d$  orbitals.

## Step 2: Order of Unpaired Electrons

Now that we know the number of unpaired electrons for each ion, we can arrange them in increasing order: -  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  has 3 unpaired electrons. -  $\text{Mn}^{3+}$  has 4 unpaired electrons. -  $\text{Co}^{3+}$  has 4 unpaired electrons. -  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  has 5 unpaired electrons. Therefore, the increasing order of the number of unpaired electrons is:



## Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is:



## 25. Answer: a

**Explanation:**

**Step 1:**  $[FeCl_4]^{2-}$ :  $Fe^{2+}$  is  $d^6$ .  $Cl^-$  is a weak field ligand. Number of unpaired electrons ( $n$ ) = 4.  $\mu = \sqrt{4(4+2)} = \sqrt{24} \approx 4.90$  BM.

**Step 2:**  $[Co(C_2O_4)_3]^{3-}$ :  $Co^{3+}$  is  $d^6$ . Oxalate ( $ox$ ) is a strong field ligand for  $Co^{3+}$  (causing pairing).  $n = 0$ .  $\mu = 0$  BM.

**Step 3:**  $MnO_4^{2-}$ :  $Mn$  is in +6 state, so it is  $d^1$ .  $n = 1$ .  $\mu = \sqrt{1(1+2)} = \sqrt{3} \approx 1.73$  BM.

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## 26. Answer: 3 – 3

### Explanation:

**Step 1:** Oxidation state of  $Cr$  in  $K_3[Cr(ox)_3]$  is +3.

**Step 2:** Electronic configuration of  $Cr^{3+} = [Ar]3d^3$ .

**Step 3:** In an octahedral field, the  $d^3$  configuration fills the  $t_{2g}$  orbitals:  $t_{2g}^3 e_g^0$ .

**Step 4:** All 3 electrons remain unpaired regardless of ligand strength.

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## 27. Answer: 0 – 0

### Explanation:

#### Step 1: Understanding the Concept:

According to Werner's theory, the primary valency is ionizable (satisfied by ions outside brackets), and the secondary valency is non-ionizable (satisfied by ligands inside brackets).

Precipitation with  $AgNO_3$  identifies the ionizable chloride ions.

#### Step 2: Key Formula or Approach:

1. Secondary valency for an octahedral compound is 6.

2. Number of moles of  $AgCl$  = Number of chloride ions outside the coordination sphere.

#### Step 3: Detailed Explanation:

##### 1. Analyze the Precipitation:

3 moles of  $AgCl$  are formed per mole of compound. This means all 3 chloride ( $Cl^-$ ) ions are outside the coordination sphere.

##### 2. Determine the Coordination Sphere:

Empirical formula:  $CrCl_3 \cdot 3NH_3 \cdot 3H_2O$ .

If 3  $Cl$  are outside, the ligands inside must be the remaining 3  $NH_3$  and 3  $H_2O$

molecules.

Structural Formula:  $[Cr(NH_3)_3(H_2O)_3]Cl_3$ .

The total coordination number is  $3 + 3 = 6$ , which matches the octahedral geometry.

### 3. Conclusion:

All chloride ions are ionizable and satisfy primary valency. No chloride ion is inside the brackets satisfying secondary valency.

### Step 4: Final Answer:

The number of chloride ions satisfying the secondary valency is 0.

## 28. Answer: a

### Explanation:

#### Step 1: Understanding the Concept:

A species responds to an external magnetic field if it is paramagnetic, which requires the presence of one or more unpaired electrons.

#### Step 2: Key Formula or Approach:

Apply Crystal Field Theory (CFT) to determine the electronic configuration of the central metal ion.

#### Step 3: Detailed Explanation:

- $1. \left([Fe(H_2O)_6]^{3+}\right): Fe^{3+}$  is  $d^5$ .  $H_2O$  is a weak field ligand (WFL). No pairing occurs. Configuration:  $t_{2g}^3 e_g^2$ . 5 unpaired electrons. **Paramagnetic**.
- $2. \left([Ni(CN)_4]^{2-}\right): Ni^{2+}$  is  $d^8$ .  $CN^-$  is a strong field ligand (SFL). The complex is square planar. All electrons are paired. **Diamagnetic**.
- $3. \left([Co(CN)_6]^{3-}\right): Co^{3+}$  is  $d^6$ .  $CN^-$  is an SFL. Pairing occurs in  $t_{2g}$ . Configuration:  $t_{2g}^6 e_g^0$ . **Diamagnetic**.
- $4. [Ni(CO)_4]: Ni$  is  $d^{10}$  in this complex. All orbitals are filled. **Diamagnetic**.  
Only  $[Fe(H_2O)_6]^{3+}$  is paramagnetic.

#### Step 4: Final Answer:

The correct species is (A).

## 29. Answer: 6 – 6

### Explanation:

The reaction with silver nitrate ( $\text{AgNO}_3$ ) precipitates chloride ions ( $\text{Cl}^-$ ) that are outside the coordination sphere (i.e., counter-ions).

The problem states that 3 moles of the complex  $\text{Co}(\text{en})_2\text{Cl}_3$  produce 3 moles of  $\text{AgCl}$  precipitate.

This implies a 1:1 molar ratio: 1 mole of the complex yields 1 mole of  $\text{AgCl}$ .

This means there is one chloride ion acting as a counter-ion outside the coordination sphere.

Therefore, the correct formula for the complex is  $[\text{Co}(\text{en})_2\text{Cl}_2]\text{Cl}$ .

The species inside the square brackets is the complex ion, and the  $\text{Cl}$  outside is the counter-ion.

The secondary valency of the central metal ion is its coordination number. The coordination number is the total number of coordinate bonds formed by the ligands with the central metal ion.

In the complex ion  $[\text{Co}(\text{en})_2\text{Cl}_2]^+$ , the ligands are:

- 'en', which is ethylenediamine ( $\text{H}_2\text{NCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$ ). It is a bidentate ligand, meaning it forms two coordinate bonds. There are two 'en' ligands.

- 'Cl', which is chloro. It is a monodentate ligand, meaning it forms one coordinate bond. There are two 'Cl' ligands inside the sphere.

Coordination Number = (Number of 'en' ligands  $\times$  denticity of 'en') + (Number of 'Cl' ligands  $\times$  denticity of 'Cl')

Coordination Number =  $(2 \times 2) + (2 \times 1) = 4 + 2 = 6$ .

Thus, the secondary valency of Cobalt (Co) is 6.

### 30. Answer: a

#### Explanation:

##### Statement I:

- In all three complexes, the central metal ion is in +3 oxidation state.
- $\text{CN}^-$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$  act as strong-field ligands (especially with higher oxidation states).
- Strong-field ligands cause electron pairing, allowing the use of inner d-orbitals.

$[\text{Mn}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  :  $\text{Mn}^{3+}$  ( $3d^4$ ), low-spin, inner-orbital complex  $\rightarrow d^2sp^3$

$[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  :  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  ( $3d^5$ ), low-spin  $\rightarrow d^2sp^3$

$[\text{Co}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3]^{3-}$  :  $\text{Co}^{3+}$  ( $3d^6$ ), low-spin  $\rightarrow d^2sp^3$

Hence, Statement I is true.

##### Statement II:

- $\text{Cl}^-$  and  $\text{F}^-$  are weak-field ligands.
- Weak-field ligands form high-spin

complexes.

$[\text{MnCl}_6]^{3-} : \text{Mn}^{3+} (3d^4) \rightarrow 4$  unpaired electrons

$[\text{FeF}_6]^{3-} : \text{Fe}^{3+} (3d^5) \rightarrow 5$  unpaired electrons

Both complexes are paramagnetic with the stated number of unpaired electrons.

Hence, Statement II is also true.

**Therefore, the correct answer is (A).**

