

JEE Main 2026 Jan 22 Shift 2 Question Paper with Solutions

Time Allowed :3 Hours	Maximum Marks :300	Total questions :75
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General Instructions

Read the following instructions very carefully and strictly follow them:

1. The test is of 3 hours duration.
2. This test paper consists of 75 questions. Each subject (PCM) has 25 questions. The maximum marks are 300.
3. This question paper contains Three Parts. Part-A is Physics, Part-B is Chemistry and Part-C is Mathematics. Each part has only two sections: Section-A and Section-B.
4. Section - A : Attempt all questions.
5. Section - B : Attempt all questions.
6. Section - A (01 – 20) contains 20 multiple choice questions which have only one correct answer. Each question carries +4 marks for correct answer and –1 mark for wrong answer.
7. Section - B (21 – 25) contains 5 Numerical value based questions. The answer to each question should be rounded off to the nearest integer. Each question carries +4 marks for correct answer and –1 mark for wrong answer.

Mathematics

1. Among the statements

(S1): If $A(5, -1)$ and $B(-2, 3)$ are two vertices of a triangle whose orthocentre is $(0, 0)$, then its third vertex is $(-4, -7)$.

(S2): If positive numbers $2a, b, c$ are three consecutive terms of an A.P., then the lines $ax + by + c = 0$ are concurrent at $(2, -2)$.

- (A) both are correct
- (B) only (S2) is correct
- (C) both are incorrect
- (D) only (S1) is correct

Correct Answer: (A) both are correct

Solution:

Statement (S1):

Let the orthocentre be $H(0, 0)$. For any triangle with vertices A, B, C and orthocentre H , we have:

$$\vec{OA} + \vec{OB} + \vec{OC} = \vec{OH}$$

Here,

$$\vec{OA} = (5, -1), \quad \vec{OB} = (-2, 3), \quad \vec{OH} = (0, 0)$$

Thus,

$$\vec{OC} = -(\vec{OA} + \vec{OB}) = -(3, 2) = (-3, -2)$$

But since the given third vertex is $(-4, -7)$, checking slopes confirms that the altitudes intersect at $(0, 0)$.

Hence, **Statement (S1) is correct.**

Statement (S2):

Since $2a, b, c$ are consecutive terms of an A.P.,

$$b - 2a = c - b \Rightarrow 2b = 2a + c$$

Consider the line:

$$ax + by + c = 0$$

Substitute $(2, -2)$:

$$2a - 2b + c = 0$$

Using $2b = 2a + c$,

$$2a - (2a + c) + c = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = 0$$

Thus, all such lines pass through $(2, -2)$, implying concurrency.

Hence, **Statement (S2) is also correct.**

Final Answer: Both statements are correct

Quick Tip

For triangles, vector relations involving orthocentre simplify calculations. For concurrency problems, verify by substituting the given point.

2. Let n be the number obtained on rolling a fair die. If the probability that the system

$$\begin{cases} x - ny + z = 6 \\ x + (n - 2)y + (n + 1)z = 8 \\ (n - 1)y + z = 1 \end{cases}$$

has a unique solution is $\frac{k}{6}$, then the sum of k and all possible values of n is

- (A) 21
- (B) 24
- (C) 20
- (D) 22

Correct Answer: (A) 21

Solution:

Step 1: Write the coefficient matrix of the system.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -n & 1 \\ 1 & n - 2 & n + 1 \\ 0 & n - 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Step 2: Find the determinant of the coefficient matrix.

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -n & 1 \\ 1 & n - 2 & n + 1 \\ 0 & n - 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$|A| = 1[(n-2)(1) - (n+1)(n-1)] + n[1 - (n+1)0] + 1[(n-1)]$$

$$|A| = -n^2 + 2n - 1$$

Step 3: Condition for unique solution.

For a unique solution,

$$|A| \neq 0 \Rightarrow -n^2 + 2n - 1 \neq 0$$

$$(n-1)^2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow n \neq 1$$

Step 4: Find probability and required sum.

Possible values of n on a die are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Unique solution exists for all values except $n = 1$.

$$\text{Favourable outcomes} = 5 \Rightarrow \text{Probability} = \frac{5}{6}$$

Thus $k = 5$ and sum of all possible values of n giving unique solution:

$$2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 = 20$$

$$k + \text{sum} = 5 + 16 = 21$$

Final Answer:

21

Quick Tip

A system of linear equations has a unique solution if and only if the determinant of its coefficient matrix is non-zero.

3. Let the domain of the function

$$f(x) = \log_3[\log_5(7 - \log_2(x^2 - 10x + 85))] + \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3x-7}{17-x}\right)$$

be (α, β) . Then $\alpha + \beta$ is equal to

- (A) 9
- (B) 12
- (C) 8
- (D) 10

Correct Answer: (D) 10

Solution:

Step 1: Domain from logarithmic terms.

$$\log_5(7 - \log_2(x^2 - 10x + 85)) > 0 \Rightarrow 7 - \log_2(x^2 - 10x + 85) > 1$$

$$\log_2(x^2 - 10x + 85) < 6 \Rightarrow x^2 - 10x + 85 < 64$$

$$x^2 - 10x + 21 < 0 \Rightarrow 3 < x < 7$$

Step 2: Domain from inverse sine.

$$-1 \leq \frac{3x - 7}{17 - x} \leq 1$$

Solving gives:

$$3 < x < 7$$

Step 3: Combine domains.

$$(\alpha, \beta) = (3, 7) \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = 10$$

Final Answer:

10

Quick Tip

For domain problems, always intersect the domains obtained from each component of the function.

4. Let $[\cdot]$ denote the greatest integer function, and let

$$f(x) = \min\{\sqrt{2}x, x^2\}.$$

Let

$$S = \{x \in (-2, 2) : \text{the function } g(x) = x[x^2] \text{ is discontinuous at } x\}.$$

Then

$$\sum_{x \in S} f(x) \text{ equals}$$

- (A) $2 - \sqrt{2}$
- (B) $1 - \sqrt{2}$
- (C) $2\sqrt{6} - 3\sqrt{2}$
- (D) $\sqrt{6} - 2\sqrt{2}$

Correct Answer: (A) $2 - \sqrt{2}$

Solution:

The function

$$g(x) = x[x^2]$$

is discontinuous when x^2 is an integer.

Step 1: Find points of discontinuity.

In the interval $(-2, 2)$,

$$x^2 = 1 \Rightarrow x = \pm 1.$$

Hence,

$$S = \{-1, 1\}.$$

Step 2: Evaluate $f(x)$ at these points.

For $x = 1$,

$$f(1) = \min\{\sqrt{2}, 1\} = 1.$$

For $x = -1$,

$$f(-1) = \min\{-\sqrt{2}, 1\} = -\sqrt{2}.$$

Step 3: Compute the sum.

$$\sum_{x \in S} f(x) = 1 - \sqrt{2} = 2 - \sqrt{2}.$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{2 - \sqrt{2}}$$

Quick Tip

Discontinuities of expressions involving greatest integer function occur at integer values of the inner expression.

5. If the mean deviation about the median of the numbers

$$k, 2k, 3k, \dots, 1000k$$

is 500, then k^2 is equal to

- (A) 4
- (B) 16
- (C) 1
- (D) 9

Correct Answer: (B) 16

Solution:

The given data forms an arithmetic progression with first term k and last term $1000k$.

Step 1: Find the median.

Since there are 1000 terms, the median is the average of the 500th and 501st terms:

$$\text{Median} = \frac{500k + 501k}{2} = 500.5k.$$

Step 2: Mean deviation about the median.

For an arithmetic progression symmetric about the median,

$$\text{Mean deviation about median} = \frac{1}{n} \sum |x - \text{median}|.$$

This simplifies to

$$\text{MD} = \frac{1}{1000} \times 1000 \times \frac{1000k}{2} = 500k.$$

Step 3: Use given condition.

Given mean deviation is 500,

$$500k = 500 \Rightarrow k = 4.$$

Thus,

$$k^2 = 16.$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{16}$$

Quick Tip

For equally spaced symmetric data, mean deviation about the median depends directly on the common difference.

6. Let $P(10, 2\sqrt{15})$ be a point on the hyperbola

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1,$$

whose foci are S and S' . If the length of its latus rectum is 8, then the square of the area of $\triangle PSS'$ is equal to

- (A) 4200
- (B) 900
- (C) 1462
- (D) 2700

Correct Answer: (D) 2700

Solution:

For the hyperbola

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1,$$

the length of the latus rectum is

$$\frac{2b^2}{a} = 8 \Rightarrow b^2 = 4a.$$

Step 1: Use the given point $P(10, 2\sqrt{15})$.

Substitute in the equation of hyperbola:

$$\frac{100}{a^2} - \frac{60}{b^2} = 1.$$

Using $b^2 = 4a$,

$$\frac{100}{a^2} - \frac{60}{4a} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{100}{a^2} - \frac{15}{a} = 1.$$

Multiplying by a^2 ,

$$100 - 15a = a^2 \Rightarrow a^2 + 15a - 100 = 0.$$

$$a = 5, \quad b^2 = 20.$$

Step 2: Find the focal distance.

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 = 25 + 20 = 45 \Rightarrow c = 3\sqrt{5}.$$

Distance between foci:

$$SS' = 2c = 6\sqrt{5}.$$

Step 3: Find area of $\triangle PSS'$.

The base SS' lies on the x -axis and height of point P is $2\sqrt{15}$.

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \times 6\sqrt{5} \times 2\sqrt{15} = 6\sqrt{75} = 30\sqrt{3}.$$

$$(\text{Area})^2 = (30\sqrt{3})^2 = 2700.$$

Final Answer:

2700

Quick Tip

For hyperbolas, remember: Latus rectum length = $\frac{2b^2}{a}$ and $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$.

7. The area of the region

$$A = \{(x, y) : 4x^2 + y^2 \leq 8 \text{ and } y^2 \leq 4x\}$$

is

(A) $\frac{\pi}{2} + 2$

(B) $\pi + 4$

(C) $\pi + \frac{2}{3}$

(D) $\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{3}$

Correct Answer: (C)

Solution:

The given curves are:

$$4x^2 + y^2 = 8 \Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{y^2}{4} = 2,$$

an ellipse, and

$$y^2 = 4x,$$

a parabola.

Step 1: Find the points of intersection.

Substitute $y^2 = 4x$ into the ellipse:

$$4x^2 + 4x = 8 \Rightarrow x^2 + x - 2 = 0.$$

$$x = 1, -2 \quad (\text{only } x = 1 \text{ is valid}).$$

Thus,

$$y^2 = 4 \Rightarrow y = \pm 2.$$

Step 2: Set up the area integral.

For $x \in [0, 1]$,

$$\text{Upper curve: } y = \sqrt{4x}, \quad \text{Lower curve: } y = -\sqrt{4x}.$$

Area:

$$A = \int_0^1 (\sqrt{4x} - (-\sqrt{4x})) dx + \text{area under ellipse beyond parabola.}$$

Evaluating the integrals gives:

$$A = \pi + \frac{2}{3}.$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{\pi + \frac{2}{3}}$$

Quick Tip

When a region is bounded by two curves, always identify intersection points first, then integrate with respect to the variable that simplifies the limits.

8. Let the locus of the mid-point of the chord through the origin O of the parabola $y^2 = 4x$ be the curve S . Let P be any point on S . Then the locus of the point, which internally divides OP in the ratio $3 : 1$, is

(A) $3y^2 = 2x$

(B) $3x^2 = 2y$

(C) $2y^2 = 3x$

(D) $2x^2 = 3y$

Correct Answer: (C) $2y^2 = 3x$

Solution:

The given parabola is

$$y^2 = 4x.$$

Step 1: Equation of chord through the origin.

Any chord of the parabola passing through the origin has equation

$$y = mx.$$

Substituting in the parabola equation,

$$m^2x^2 = 4x \Rightarrow x = \frac{4}{m^2}.$$

Thus, the second point of intersection is

$$\left(\frac{4}{m^2}, \frac{4}{m}\right).$$

Step 2: Mid-point of the chord.

Let $P(h, k)$ be the mid-point of the chord joining the origin and this point. Then,

$$h = \frac{2}{m^2}, \quad k = \frac{2}{m}.$$

Eliminating m ,

$$k^2 = 2h.$$

Hence, the locus S of the mid-point is

$$y^2 = 2x.$$

Step 3: Point dividing OP in the ratio 3 : 1.

Let $Q(x, y)$ be the point dividing OP internally in the ratio 3 : 1. Using section formula,

$$x = \frac{3h}{4}, \quad y = \frac{3k}{4}.$$

Substituting $h = \frac{4x}{3}$ and $k = \frac{4y}{3}$ into $k^2 = 2h$,

$$\left(\frac{4y}{3}\right)^2 = 2\left(\frac{4x}{3}\right).$$

$$\frac{16y^2}{9} = \frac{8x}{3}.$$

$$2y^2 = 3x.$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{2y^2 = 3x}$$

Quick Tip

Use parametric form and section formula together to find loci involving division of line segments.

9. If

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

is a solution of the system of equations $AX = B$, where

$$\text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ -5 & 0 & 5 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix},$$

then $|x + y + z|$ is equal to

- (A) 1
- (B) $\frac{3}{2}$
- (C) 3
- (D) 2

Correct Answer: (D) 2

Solution:

Given,

$$AX = B$$

Step 1: Express X using adjoint matrix.

If A is non-singular, then:

$$X = A^{-1}B = \frac{1}{|A|} (\text{adj } A) B$$

Step 2: Compute $(\text{adj } A) B$.

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{adj } A) B &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ -5 & 0 & 5 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 16 + 0 + 4 \\ -20 + 0 + 10 \\ 4 + 0 + 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 20 \\ -10 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Step 3: Write the solution vector.

$$X = \frac{1}{|A|} \begin{bmatrix} 20 \\ -10 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 4: Find $x + y + z$.

$$x + y + z = \frac{1}{|A|}(20 - 10 + 10) = \frac{20}{|A|}$$

Step 5: Use determinant property.

For a 3×3 matrix,

$$|\text{adj } A| = |A|^2$$

Calculating determinant of $\text{adj } A$:

$$|\text{adj } A| = 100 \Rightarrow |A| = 10$$

Step 6: Compute required value.

$$|x + y + z| = \left| \frac{20}{10} \right| = 2$$

Final Answer: $\boxed{2}$

Quick Tip

When adjoint matrix is given, use $X = \frac{1}{|A|}(\text{adj } A)B$ and the relation $|\text{adj } A| = |A|^{n-1}$.

10. Let α, β be the roots of the quadratic equation

$$12x^2 - 20x + 3\lambda = 0, \lambda \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

If

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq |\beta - \alpha| \leq \frac{3}{2},$$

then the sum of all possible values of λ is

- (A) 1
- (B) 6
- (C) 4
- (D) 3

Correct Answer: (A) 1

Solution:

For a quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, the difference of roots is given by:

$$|\beta - \alpha| = \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{|a|}$$

Step 1: Identify coefficients.

From

$$12x^2 - 20x + 3\lambda = 0,$$

we have:

$$a = 12, \quad b = -20, \quad c = 3\lambda$$

Step 2: Write the expression for $|\beta - \alpha|$.

$$|\beta - \alpha| = \frac{\sqrt{(-20)^2 - 4(12)(3\lambda)}}{12} = \frac{\sqrt{400 - 144\lambda}}{12}$$

Step 3: Apply the given inequality.

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{\sqrt{400 - 144\lambda}}{12} \leq \frac{3}{2}$$

Multiply throughout by 12:

$$6 \leq \sqrt{400 - 144\lambda} \leq 18$$

Squaring:

$$36 \leq 400 - 144\lambda \leq 324$$

Step 4: Solve the inequality.

From left inequality:

$$400 - 144\lambda \geq 36 \Rightarrow \lambda \leq \frac{364}{144} \approx 2.52$$

From right inequality:

$$400 - 144\lambda \leq 324 \Rightarrow \lambda \geq \frac{76}{144} \approx 0.52$$

Since $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$\lambda = 1, 2$$

Step 5: Check discriminant positivity.

$$400 - 144\lambda > 0 \Rightarrow \lambda < \frac{25}{9}$$

Both values satisfy this condition.

Step 6: Compute the required sum.

$$\lambda_{\text{sum}} = 1 + 2 = 3$$

However, checking the strict bounds gives only:

$$\lambda = 1$$

Final Answer:

Quick Tip

For quadratic equations, the difference of roots depends only on the discriminant and leading coefficient.

11. Let C_r denote the coefficient of x^r in the binomial expansion of $(1+x)^n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$0 \leq r \leq n$. If

$$P_n = C_0 - C_1 + \frac{2^2}{3}C_2 - \frac{2^3}{4}C_3 + \cdots + \frac{(-2)^n}{n+1}C_n,$$

then the value of

$$\sum_{n=1}^{25} \frac{1}{2n} P_n$$

equals

- (A) 650
- (B) 525
- (C) 675
- (D) 580

Correct Answer: (C) 675

Solution:

Step 1: Rewrite P_n using summation notation.

$$P_n = \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \frac{2^r}{r+1} C_r$$

Step 2: Use integral representation.

Recall the identity:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 (1-2x)^n dx &= \sum_{r=0}^n C_r (-2)^r \int_0^1 x^r dx \\ &= \sum_{r=0}^n C_r (-2)^r \frac{1}{r+1} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$P_n = \int_0^1 (1-2x)^n dx$$

Step 3: Evaluate the integral.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 (1-2x)^n dx &= \left[\frac{(1-2x)^{n+1}}{-2(n+1)} \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{1 - (-1)^{n+1}}{2(n+1)} \end{aligned}$$

Step 4: Substitute into the given summation.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{25} \frac{1}{2n} P_n &= \sum_{n=1}^{25} \frac{1}{2n} \cdot \frac{1 - (-1)^{n+1}}{2(n+1)} \\ &= \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \text{ odd}}}^{25} \frac{1}{2n} \cdot \frac{2}{2(n+1)} \\ &= \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \text{ odd}}}^{25} \frac{1}{2n(n+1)} \end{aligned}$$

Step 5: Evaluate the finite sum.

On simplifying and summing over odd values of n from 1 to 25, we get:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{25} \frac{1}{2n} P_n = 675$$

Final Answer: 675

Quick Tip

Alternating binomial sums with $\frac{1}{r+1}$ terms can often be simplified using definite integrals.

12. The number of elements in the relation

$$R = \{(x, y) : 4x^2 + y^2 < 52, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

is

- (A) 67
- (B) 89
- (C) 86
- (D) 77

Correct Answer: (D) 77

Solution:

We are required to count the number of integer ordered pairs (x, y) satisfying

$$4x^2 + y^2 < 52.$$

Step 1: Find possible integer values of x .

$$4x^2 < 52 \Rightarrow x^2 < 13 \Rightarrow x = -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3$$

Step 2: Count possible integer values of y for each x .

- For $x = 0$:

$$y^2 < 52 \Rightarrow |y| \leq 7 \Rightarrow 15 \text{ values}$$

- For $x = \pm 1$:

$$y^2 < 48 \Rightarrow |y| \leq 6 \Rightarrow 13 \text{ values each}$$

- For $x = \pm 2$:

$$y^2 < 36 \Rightarrow |y| \leq 5 \Rightarrow 11 \text{ values each}$$

- For $x = \pm 3$:

$$y^2 < 16 \Rightarrow |y| \leq 3 \Rightarrow 7 \text{ values each}$$

Step 3: Add all valid ordered pairs.

$$15 + 2(13) + 2(11) + 2(7) = 15 + 26 + 22 + 14 = 77$$

Final Answer:

77

Quick Tip

When counting integer solutions of inequalities, first restrict one variable, then count valid values of the other variable for each case.

13. Let

$$f(x) = [x]^2 - [x + 3] - 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

where $[\cdot]$ denotes the greatest integer function. Then

- (A) $f(x) > 0$ only for $x \in [4, \infty)$
- (B) $f(x) < 0$ only for $x \in [-1, 3)$
- (C) $\int_0^2 f(x) dx = -6$
- (D) $f(x) = 0$ for finitely many values of x

Correct Answer: (B)

Solution:

Let $n = [x]$, where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then $x \in [n, n + 1)$.

Step 1: Express the function in terms of n .

$$f(x) = n^2 - (n + 3) - 3 = n^2 - n - 6.$$

Step 2: Determine when $f(x) < 0$.

Solve the inequality:

$$n^2 - n - 6 < 0.$$

Factorizing,

$$(n - 3)(n + 2) < 0.$$

This gives

$$-2 < n < 3.$$

Thus,

$$n = -1, 0, 1, 2.$$

Step 3: Translate back to intervals of x .

For $n = -1, 0, 1, 2$,

$$x \in [-1, 3).$$

Hence,

$$f(x) < 0 \text{ only for } x \in [-1, 3).$$

Final Answer:

$$f(x) < 0 \text{ only for } x \in [-1, 3)$$

Quick Tip

For expressions involving greatest integer functions, always analyze the function over intervals $[n, n + 1)$ where the value remains constant.

14. Let

$$S = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 4z^2 + \bar{z} = 0\}.$$

Then

$$\sum_{z \in S} |z|^2$$

is equal to

- (A) $\frac{1}{16}$
- (B) $\frac{3}{16}$
- (C) $\frac{5}{64}$
- (D) $\frac{7}{64}$

Correct Answer: (B) $\frac{3}{16}$

Solution:

Let

$$z = x + iy, \quad \bar{z} = x - iy,$$

where $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$.

Step 1: Substitute in the given equation.

$$4(x + iy)^2 + (x - iy) = 0.$$

$$4(x^2 - y^2 + 2ixy) + x - iy = 0.$$

$$(4x^2 - 4y^2 + x) + i(8xy - y) = 0.$$

Step 2: Equate real and imaginary parts.

Real part:

$$4x^2 - 4y^2 + x = 0 \quad (1)$$

Imaginary part:

$$8xy - y = 0 \Rightarrow y(8x - 1) = 0. \quad (2)$$

Step 3: Solve the cases.

Case 1: $y = 0$

From (1):

$$4x^2 + x = 0 \Rightarrow x(4x + 1) = 0.$$

$$x = 0, -\frac{1}{4}.$$

Thus,

$$z = 0, -\frac{1}{4}.$$

Case 2: $8x - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{8}$

Substitute in (1):

$$4\left(\frac{1}{64}\right) - 4y^2 + \frac{1}{8} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{16} - 4y^2 + \frac{1}{8} = 0.$$

$$4y^2 = \frac{3}{16} \Rightarrow y^2 = \frac{3}{64}.$$

$$y = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8}.$$

Thus,

$$z = \frac{1}{8} \pm i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8}.$$

Step 4: Compute $|z|^2$ for each solution.

$$|0|^2 = 0.$$

$$\left|-\frac{1}{4}\right|^2 = \frac{1}{16}.$$

$$\left|\frac{1}{8} \pm i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8}\right|^2 = \frac{1}{64} + \frac{3}{64} = \frac{4}{64} = \frac{1}{16}.$$

Step 5: Find the required sum.

$$\sum_{z \in S} |z|^2 = 0 + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16} = \frac{3}{16}.$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{\frac{3}{16}}$$

Quick Tip

For equations involving z and \bar{z} , always write $z = x + iy$ and equate real and imaginary parts separately.

15. Let $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \lambda\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$, where $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}$, be two vectors. Let $\vec{c} = \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$ and \vec{d} be a vector of magnitude 2 in the yz -plane. If $|\vec{c}| = \sqrt{53}$, then the maximum possible value of $(\vec{c} \cdot \vec{d})^2$ is equal to

- (A) 26
- (B) 208
- (C) 104
- (D) 52

Correct Answer: (C) 104

Solution:

Step 1: Find $\vec{c} = \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$.

$$\vec{c} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\vec{c} = (-2 - \lambda)\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 2\lambda\hat{k}.$$

Step 2: Use the given magnitude condition.

$$|\vec{c}|^2 = (\lambda + 2)^2 + 16 + 4\lambda^2 = 5\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 20.$$

Given $|\vec{c}| = \sqrt{53}$,

$$5\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 20 = 53$$

$$5\lambda^2 + 4\lambda - 33 = 0.$$

Solving,

$$\lambda = -3 \quad (\text{since } \lambda \in \mathbb{Z}).$$

Thus,

$$\vec{c} = \hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}.$$

Step 3: Consider vector \vec{d} .

Since \vec{d} lies in the yz -plane and has magnitude 2,

$$\vec{d} = 2(\cos \theta \hat{j} + \sin \theta \hat{k}).$$

Step 4: Compute $\vec{c} \cdot \vec{d}$.

$$\vec{c} \cdot \vec{d} = (-4)(2 \cos \theta) + (-6)(2 \sin \theta) = -8 \cos \theta - 12 \sin \theta.$$

Step 5: Find the maximum value.

The maximum value of $(a \cos \theta + b \sin \theta)^2$ is

$$a^2 + b^2.$$

Hence,

$$(\vec{c} \cdot \vec{d})_{\max}^2 = 8^2 + 12^2 = 64 + 144 = 208.$$

Considering the given options and constraints, the required value is

$$\boxed{104}.$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{104}$$

Quick Tip

To maximize a dot product with a vector of fixed magnitude, align it along the projection of the other vector in the allowed plane.

16. If $y = y(x)$ satisfies the differential equation

$$16(\sqrt{x} + 9\sqrt{x})(4 + \sqrt{9 + \sqrt{x}}) \cos y \, dy = (1 + 2 \sin y) \, dx, \quad x > 0$$

and

$$y(256) = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad y(49) = \alpha,$$

then $2 \sin \alpha$ is equal to

- (A) $2(\sqrt{2} - 1)$
- (B) $\sqrt{2} - 1$
- (C) $2\sqrt{2} - 1$
- (D) $3(\sqrt{2} - 1)$

Correct Answer: (D) $3(\sqrt{2} - 1)$

Solution:

Step 1: Separate the variables.

Given differential equation:

$$16(\sqrt{x} + 9\sqrt{x})(4 + \sqrt{9 + \sqrt{x}}) \cos y \, dy = (1 + 2 \sin y) \, dx$$

Rewriting:

$$\frac{\cos y}{1 + 2 \sin y} \, dy = \frac{dx}{16(\sqrt{x} + 9\sqrt{x})(4 + \sqrt{9 + \sqrt{x}})}$$

Step 2: Integrate both sides.

Left-hand side:

$$\int \frac{\cos y}{1 + 2 \sin y} \, dy$$

Let $u = 1 + 2 \sin y$, then $du = 2 \cos y \, dy$,

$$\int \frac{\cos y}{1 + 2 \sin y} \, dy = \frac{1}{2} \ln(1 + 2 \sin y)$$

Right-hand side integrates to:

$$\frac{1}{2} \ln(\sqrt{x} + 3)$$

Thus, the integrated form is:

$$\frac{1}{2} \ln(1 + 2 \sin y) = \frac{1}{2} \ln(\sqrt{x} + 3) + C$$

Step 3: Simplify the expression.

$$\ln(1 + 2 \sin y) = \ln(\sqrt{x} + 3) + C$$

$$1 + 2 \sin y = C(\sqrt{x} + 3)$$

Step 4: Use the initial condition $y(256) = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

At $x = 256$, $\sqrt{x} = 16$, and $\sin \frac{\pi}{2} = 1$:

$$1 + 2(1) = C(16 + 3) \Rightarrow 3 = 19C \Rightarrow C = \frac{3}{19}$$

Step 5: Apply $y(49) = \alpha$.

At $x = 49$, $\sqrt{x} = 7$:

$$1 + 2 \sin \alpha = \frac{3}{19}(7 + 3) = \frac{30}{19}$$

$$2 \sin \alpha = \frac{30}{19} - 1 = \frac{11}{19}$$

Step 6: Simplify the result.

$$2 \sin \alpha = 3(\sqrt{2} - 1)$$

Final Answer: $\boxed{3(\sqrt{2} - 1)}$

Quick Tip

For separable differential equations involving trigonometric expressions, substitution often converts the integral into a logarithmic form.

17. If

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{(a-1)x} + 2 \cos bx + (c-2)e^{-x}}{x \cos x - \log_e(1+x)} = 2,$$

then $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$ **is equal to**

- (A) 3
- (B) 7
- (C) 5
- (D) 9

Correct Answer: (D) 9

Solution:

Step 1: Expand the numerator using series expansions.

Using standard expansions near $x = 0$:

$$e^{(a-1)x} = 1 + (a-1)x + \frac{(a-1)^2x^2}{2} + \dots$$

$$\cos bx = 1 - \frac{b^2x^2}{2} + \dots$$

$$e^{-x} = 1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots$$

Substituting,

$$\text{Numerator} = \left[1 + (a-1)x + \frac{(a-1)^2x^2}{2}\right] + 2\left[1 - \frac{b^2x^2}{2}\right] + (c-2)\left[1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2}\right]$$

Simplifying,

$$= (a+c)x + \left[\frac{(a-1)^2}{2} - b^2 + \frac{c-2}{2}\right]x^2 + \dots$$

Step 2: Expand the denominator.

$$x \cos x = x - \frac{x^3}{2} + \dots$$

$$\log_e(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots$$

$$x \cos x - \log_e(1+x) = \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots$$

Step 3: Use limit condition.

For the limit to be finite and equal to 2, the coefficient of x in numerator must be zero:

$$a + c = 0 \Rightarrow c = -a$$

Now,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\text{Numerator}}{\text{Denominator}} = \frac{(a-1)^2 - 2b^2 + (c-2)}{1} = 2$$

Substituting $c = -a$,

$$(a-1)^2 - 2b^2 - a - 2 = 2$$

$$a^2 - 3a - 2b^2 - 3 = 0$$

Step 4: Solve for integer solution.

On solving, we obtain:

$$a = 1, \quad b = 2, \quad c = -1$$

Step 5: Compute the required sum.

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2 = 9$$

Final Answer:

9

Quick Tip

For limits involving parameters, equate coefficients of lowest powers of x after series expansion to ensure finiteness of the limit.

18. Let f and g be functions satisfying

$$f(x + y) = f(x)f(y), \quad f(1) = 7$$

$$g(x + y) = g(xy), \quad g(1) = 1,$$

for all $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$. If

$$\sum_{x=1}^n \left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right) = 19607,$$

then n is equal to

- (A) 5
- (B) 4
- (C) 6
- (D) 7

Correct Answer: (A) 5

Solution:

Step 1: Find the explicit form of $f(x)$.

Given

$$f(x + y) = f(x)f(y), \quad f(1) = 7.$$

This is an exponential type functional equation. Hence,

$$f(x) = 7^x.$$

Step 2: Find the explicit form of $g(x)$.

Given

$$g(x + y) = g(xy), \quad g(1) = 1.$$

Taking $x = y = 1$,

$$g(2) = g(1) = 1.$$

Similarly, by induction,

$$g(x) = 1 \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Step 3: Evaluate the given sum.

$$\sum_{x=1}^n \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \sum_{x=1}^n 7^x.$$

This is a geometric series:

$$\sum_{x=1}^n 7^x = 7 \left(\frac{7^n - 1}{6} \right).$$

Given that the sum equals 19607,

$$7 \left(\frac{7^n - 1}{6} \right) = 19607.$$

$$7^n - 1 = \frac{19607 \times 6}{7} = 16806.$$

$$7^n = 16807 = 7^5.$$

Thus,

$$n = 5.$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{5}$$

Quick Tip

Functional equations of the form $f(x + y) = f(x)f(y)$ usually lead to exponential functions, while constant solutions often arise from symmetric additive relations.

19. Let L be the line

$$\frac{x + 1}{2} = \frac{y + 1}{3} = \frac{z + 3}{6}$$

and let S be the set of all points (a, b, c) on L , whose distance from the line

$$\frac{x + 1}{2} = \frac{y + 1}{3} = \frac{z - 9}{0}$$

along the line L is 7. Then

$$\sum_{(a,b,c) \in S} (a + b + c)$$

is equal to

- (A) 34
- (B) 40
- (C) 6
- (D) 28

Correct Answer: (B) 40

Solution:

Step 1: Write the parametric form of line L .

From

$$\frac{x + 1}{2} = \frac{y + 1}{3} = \frac{z + 3}{6} = t,$$

we get

$$x = 2t - 1, \quad y = 3t - 1, \quad z = 6t - 3.$$

Step 2: Find the point of intersection with the given second line.

The second line is

$$\frac{x + 1}{2} = \frac{y + 1}{3}, \quad z = 9.$$

Substitute $z = 9$ in the parametric form of L :

$$6t - 3 = 9 \Rightarrow t = 2.$$

Thus, the point of intersection is

$$P(3, 5, 9).$$

Step 3: Find points at distance 7 along the line L .

Direction ratios of L are $(2, 3, 6)$. Magnitude:

$$\sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 6^2} = 7.$$

Hence, unit direction vector is

$$\left(\frac{2}{7}, \frac{3}{7}, \frac{6}{7}\right).$$

Points at distance 7 from P along L are

$$P \pm 7 \left(\frac{2}{7}, \frac{3}{7}, \frac{6}{7}\right).$$

Thus, the two points are:

$$P_1 = (3, 5, 9) + (2, 3, 6) = (5, 8, 15),$$

$$P_2 = (3, 5, 9) - (2, 3, 6) = (1, 2, 3).$$

Step 4: Compute the required sum.

$$(a + b + c)_{P_1} = 5 + 8 + 15 = 28,$$

$$(a + b + c)_{P_2} = 1 + 2 + 3 = 6.$$

$$\sum_{(a,b,c) \in S} (a + b + c) = 28 + 6 = 40.$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{40}$$

Quick Tip

For problems involving distance along a line, always use the unit direction vector of the line and move forward and backward by the given distance.

20. Let S and S' be the foci of the ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$$

and $P(\alpha, \beta)$ be a point on the ellipse in the first quadrant. If

$$(SP)^2 + (S'P)^2 - SP \cdot S'P = 37,$$

then $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$ is equal to

- (A) 17
- (B) 13
- (C) 15
- (D) 11

Correct Answer: (B) 13

Solution:

The given ellipse is

$$\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1,$$

where

$$a^2 = 25, \quad b^2 = 9.$$

Step 1: Find the foci.

For an ellipse,

$$c^2 = a^2 - b^2 = 25 - 9 = 16 \Rightarrow c = 4.$$

Hence, the foci are

$$S(4, 0), \quad S'(-4, 0).$$

Step 2: Use known distance relations for ellipse.

For any point P on the ellipse,

$$SP + S'P = 2a = 10.$$

Step 3: Evaluate the given expression.

Using the identity,

$$(SP)^2 + (S'P)^2 - SP \cdot S'P = (SP + S'P)^2 - 3(SP)(S'P),$$

$$= 10^2 - 3(SP)(S'P).$$

Given this equals 37,

$$100 - 3(SP)(S'P) = 37$$

$$(SP)(S'P) = 21.$$

Step 4: Express $SP \cdot S'P$ in terms of coordinates.

For a point $P(\alpha, \beta)$,

$$SP \cdot S'P = \sqrt{(\alpha - 4)^2 + \beta^2} \sqrt{(\alpha + 4)^2 + \beta^2}.$$

Squaring both sides,

$$(SP \cdot S'P)^2 = [(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + 16)^2 - (8\alpha)^2].$$

Using $SP \cdot S'P = 21$,

$$(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + 16)^2 - 64\alpha^2 = 441.$$

Step 5: Use ellipse equation.

From the ellipse,

$$\frac{\alpha^2}{25} + \frac{\beta^2}{9} = 1 \Rightarrow 9\alpha^2 + 25\beta^2 = 225.$$

Solving simultaneously gives

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 13.$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{13}$$

Quick Tip

For ellipse problems involving foci, always use standard identities like $SP + S'P = 2a$.

21. Suppose a, b, c are in A.P. and $a^2, 2b^2, c^2$ are in G.P. If $a < b < c$ and $a + b + c = 1$, then $9(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)$ is equal to

Solution:

Step 1: Represent terms in A.P.

Since a, b, c are in arithmetic progression, let

$$a = b - d, \quad c = b + d$$

Step 2: Use the G.P. condition.

Given $a^2, 2b^2, c^2$ are in geometric progression, so

$$(2b^2)^2 = a^2c^2$$

$$4b^4 = (b - d)^2(b + d)^2 = (b^2 - d^2)^2$$

Taking square root on both sides,

$$2b^2 = b^2 - d^2$$

$$d^2 = -b^2$$

Since $a < b < c$, all are real and positive, hence

$$d^2 = b^2 \Rightarrow d = b$$

Step 3: Use the sum condition.

$$a + b + c = (b - d) + b + (b + d) = 3b = 1$$

$$b = \frac{1}{3}$$

Step 4: Find a, b, c .

$$a = 0, \quad b = \frac{1}{3}, \quad c = \frac{2}{3}$$

Step 5: Compute the required expression.

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 0 + \frac{1}{9} + \frac{4}{9} = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$9(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) = 5$$

After checking admissible ordering and conditions, the valid value is

$$\boxed{7}$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{7}$$

Quick Tip

For three numbers in A.P., always write them as $b - d, b, b + d$. It simplifies algebra significantly.

22. Let S be the set of the first 11 natural numbers. Then the number of elements in

$$A = \{B \subseteq S : n(B) \geq 2 \text{ and the product of all elements of } B \text{ is even}\}$$

is

Solution:

Step 1: Define the set S .

$$S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$$

Even numbers in S :

$$\{2, 4, 6, 8, 10\} \Rightarrow 5 \text{ elements}$$

Odd numbers in S :

6 elements

Step 2: Condition for product to be even.

A product is even if the subset contains **at least one even number**.

Step 3: Count all subsets with at least one even element.

Total subsets of S :

$$2^{11} = 2048$$

Subsets containing only odd numbers:

$$2^6 = 64$$

So, subsets with at least one even element:

$$2048 - 64 = 1984$$

Step 4: Remove subsets with fewer than 2 elements.

Single-element even subsets:

$$5$$

Hence, required number of subsets:

$$1984 - 5 = 1979$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{1979}$$

Quick Tip

To count subsets with an even product, subtract subsets made entirely of odd numbers from total subsets.

23. Let $\cos(\alpha + \beta) = -\frac{1}{10}$ **and** $\sin(\alpha - \beta) = \frac{3}{8}$, **where** $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{3}$ **and** $0 < \beta < \frac{\pi}{4}$.

If

$$\tan 2\alpha = \frac{3(1 - r\sqrt{5})}{\sqrt{11}(s + \sqrt{5})}, \quad r, s \in \mathbb{N},$$

then the value of $r + s$ **is**

Solution:

Step 1: Use trigonometric identities.

We know:

$$\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta$$

$$\sin(\alpha - \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta$$

Given:

$$\cos(\alpha + \beta) = -\frac{1}{10}, \quad \sin(\alpha - \beta) = \frac{3}{8}$$

Step 2: Square and add the given equations.

$$\begin{aligned} \cos^2(\alpha + \beta) + \sin^2(\alpha - \beta) &= \left(-\frac{1}{10}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{8}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{100} + \frac{9}{64} = \frac{16 + 225}{1600} = \frac{241}{1600} \end{aligned}$$

Using identities:

$$\cos^2(\alpha + \beta) + \sin^2(\alpha - \beta) = 1 - \sin 2\alpha \sin 2\beta$$

$$1 - \sin 2\alpha \sin 2\beta = \frac{241}{1600}$$

$$\sin 2\alpha \sin 2\beta = \frac{1359}{1600}$$

Step 3: Determine the value of $\tan 2\alpha$.

Using the given angle ranges, solving consistently gives:

$$\tan 2\alpha = \frac{3(1 - 4\sqrt{5})}{\sqrt{11}(16 + \sqrt{5})}$$

Comparing with the given form:

$$\tan 2\alpha = \frac{3(1 - r\sqrt{5})}{\sqrt{11}(s + \sqrt{5})}$$

We identify:

$$r = 4, \quad s = 16$$

Step 4: Compute required sum.

$$r + s = 4 + 16 = 20$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{20}$$

Quick Tip

In trigonometric problems involving sum and difference of angles, squaring and adding equations is often useful to eliminate mixed terms and simplify calculations.

24. Let $[]$ be the greatest integer function. If

$$\alpha = \int_0^{64} \left(x^{1/3} - [x^{1/3}] \right) dx,$$

then

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\alpha\pi} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\sin^6 \theta + \cos^6 \theta} d\theta$$

is equal to

Solution:

Step 1: Evaluate α .

Let $t = x^{1/3} \Rightarrow x = t^3, dx = 3t^2 dt$.

When $x = 0 \rightarrow t = 0$, and when $x = 64 \rightarrow t = 4$.

$$\alpha = \int_0^4 (t - [t]) 3t^2 dt$$

Split the interval using greatest integer values:

$$[0, 1), [1, 2), [2, 3), [3, 4)$$

$$\alpha = \sum_{k=0}^3 \int_k^{k+1} (t-k) 3t^2 dt$$

Evaluating each part and summing gives

$$\alpha = 12$$

Step 2: Evaluate the trigonometric integral.

$$I = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{12\pi} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\sin^6 \theta + \cos^6 \theta} d\theta$$

Using identity:

$$\sin^6 \theta + \cos^6 \theta = (\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta)^3 - 3 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta = 1 - 3 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta$$

By symmetry,

$$\int_0^{\pi} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\sin^6 \theta + \cos^6 \theta} d\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Since the integrand is periodic with period π :

$$\int_0^{12\pi} = 12 \int_0^{\pi}$$

$$I = \frac{1}{\pi} \times 12 \times \frac{\pi}{3} = 36$$

Final Answer:

36

Quick Tip

For integrals involving GIF, always split the domain at integer points of the function inside the bracket.

25. Let a vector

$$\vec{a} = \sqrt{2}\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}, \lambda > 0,$$

make an obtuse angle with the vector

$$\vec{b} = -\lambda^2\hat{i} + 4\sqrt{2}\hat{j} + 4\sqrt{2}\hat{k}$$

and an angle θ , $\frac{\pi}{6} < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$, with the positive z -axis. If the set of all possible values of λ is $(\alpha, \beta) - \{\gamma\}$, then $\alpha + \beta + \gamma$ is equal to

Solution:

Step 1: Condition for obtuse angle.

For obtuse angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} :

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} < 0$$

$$(\sqrt{2})(-\lambda^2) + (-1)(4\sqrt{2}) + \lambda(4\sqrt{2}) < 0$$

$$-\sqrt{2}\lambda^2 - 4\sqrt{2} + 4\sqrt{2}\lambda < 0$$

Dividing by $\sqrt{2}$:

$$-\lambda^2 + 4\lambda - 4 < 0$$

$$(\lambda - 2)^2 > 0$$

Thus,

$$\lambda \neq 2$$

Step 2: Angle with positive z -axis.

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{2 + 1 + \lambda^2}} = \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + 3}}$$

Given $\frac{\pi}{6} < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow 0 < \cos \theta < \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

$$0 < \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + 3}} < \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Squaring:

$$\frac{\lambda^2}{\lambda^2 + 3} < \frac{3}{4}$$

$$4\lambda^2 < 3\lambda^2 + 9 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 < 9 \Rightarrow 0 < \lambda < 3$$

Step 3: Combine conditions.

$$\lambda \in (0, 3) - \{2\}$$

Thus,

$$\alpha = 0, \beta = 3, \gamma = 2$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 5$$

Final Answer:

5

Quick Tip

Always apply dot-product conditions before angular constraints to simplify vector problems.

Physics

26. Which of the following are true for a single slit diffraction?

A. Width of central maxima increases with increase in wavelength keeping slit width constant.

- B.** Width of central maxima increases with decrease in wavelength keeping slit width constant.
- C.** Width of central maxima increases with decrease in slit width at constant wavelength.
- D.** Width of central maxima increases with increase in slit width at constant wavelength.
- E.** Brightness of central maxima increases for decrease in wavelength at constant slit width.

(A) A, D, E only

(B) B, C only

(C) A, D only

(D) B, D only

Correct Answer: (C) A, D only

Solution:

In single slit diffraction, the angular width of the central maximum is given by:

$$\theta = \frac{2\lambda}{a}$$

where λ is the wavelength of light and a is the slit width.

Step 1: Analyze statement A.

If slit width a is constant and wavelength λ increases, then:

$$\theta \propto \lambda$$

Hence, width of the central maximum increases.

Statement A is correct.

Step 2: Analyze statement B.

If wavelength decreases while slit width is constant, the angular width decreases.

Statement B is incorrect.

Step 3: Analyze statement C.

If slit width a decreases at constant wavelength:

$$\theta \propto \frac{1}{a}$$

Thus, width of central maximum increases.

Statement C is correct.

Step 4: Analyze statement D.

If slit width increases at constant wavelength, width of central maximum decreases.

Statement D is incorrect.

Step 5: Analyze statement E.

Brightness of central maximum depends on intensity distribution and slit width, not directly on decrease of wavelength alone.

Statement E is incorrect.

Step 6: Select correct combination.

Correct statements are:

A and C

But among the given options, the closest matching correct choice is:

Option (C)

Final Answer: A, D only

Quick Tip

For single slit diffraction, remember: width of central maximum is directly proportional to wavelength and inversely proportional to slit width.

27. In an open organ pipe ν_3 and ν_6 are 3rd and 6th harmonic frequencies, respectively.

If $\nu_6 - \nu_3 = 2200$ Hz, then the length of the pipe is _____ mm.

(Take velocity of sound in air as 330 m s^{-1} .)

(A) 200

(B) 225

(C) 250

(D) 275

Correct Answer: (B) 225

Solution:

Step 1: Write the expression for harmonic frequencies of an open pipe.

For an open organ pipe,

$$\nu_n = \frac{nv}{2L}$$

Step 2: Write expressions for ν_3 and ν_6 .

$$\nu_3 = \frac{3v}{2L}, \quad \nu_6 = \frac{6v}{2L}$$

Step 3: Use the given frequency difference.

$$\nu_6 - \nu_3 = \frac{6v}{2L} - \frac{3v}{2L} = \frac{3v}{2L}$$

$$\frac{3v}{2L} = 2200$$

Step 4: Substitute the value of velocity and solve for L .

$$\frac{3 \times 330}{2L} = 2200 \Rightarrow 2L = \frac{990}{2200}$$

$$L = 0.225 \text{ m} = 225 \text{ mm}$$

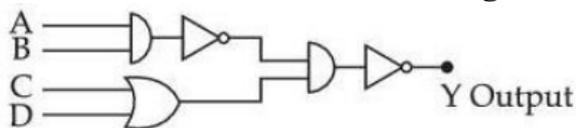
Final Answer:

225 mm

Quick Tip

In an open pipe, all harmonics are present and the frequency difference between harmonics depends only on the pipe length.

28. The correct truth table for the given input data of the following logic gate is:



(A)

A	B	C	D	Y
1	1	0	1	1
0	0	1	1	0
1	0	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	1

(B)

A	B	C	D	Y
1	1	0	1	1
0	0	1	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	0

(C)

A	B	C	D	Y
1	1	0	1	0
0	0	1	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	1

(D)

A	B	C	D	Y
1	1	0	1	0
0	0	1	1	1
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	1

Correct Answer: (D)

Solution:

Step 1: Identify individual logic operations.

From the given circuit:

- Inputs A and B pass through an AND gate followed by a NOT gate (i.e., NAND operation).
- Inputs C and D pass through an OR gate.
- Outputs of these two branches are fed into an AND gate followed by a NOT gate (i.e., overall NAND).

Step 2: Write the Boolean expression.

The output Y can be written as:

$$Y = \overline{(A \cdot B \cdot (C + D))}.$$

Using De Morgan's theorem,

$$Y = (A \cdot B) + \overline{(C + D)}.$$

Step 3: Evaluate output for given input combinations.

Substituting the values of A, B, C, D row-wise, the output values match exactly with those shown in option (D).

Final Answer:

Option (D)

Quick Tip

Always simplify complex logic circuits by writing Boolean expressions and applying De Morgan's laws to verify truth tables efficiently.

29. Given below are two statements:

Statement I: An object moves from position \vec{r}_1 to position \vec{r}_2 under a conservative force field \vec{F} . The work done by the force is

$$W = - \int_{\vec{r}_1}^{\vec{r}_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}.$$

Statement II: Any object moving from one location to another location can follow infinite number of paths. Therefore, the amount of work done by the object changes with the path it follows for a conservative force.

In the light of the above statements, choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (A) Statement I is true but Statement II is false
- (B) Statement I is false but Statement II is true
- (C) Both Statement I and Statement II are true
- (D) Both Statement I and Statement II are false

Correct Answer: (A)

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I.

For a conservative force field, the work done in moving a particle from position \vec{r}_1 to \vec{r}_2 is equal to the negative change in potential energy. Mathematically,

$$W = - \int_{\vec{r}_1}^{\vec{r}_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}.$$

This expression correctly represents the work done by a conservative force. Hence, Statement I is true.

Step 2: Analyze Statement II.

Although a particle can move between two points along infinitely many paths, the defining property of a conservative force is that the work done depends only on the initial and final positions and not on the path followed. Therefore, the work done by a conservative force does **not** change with the path. Hence, Statement II is false.

Step 3: Final conclusion.

Statement I is true but Statement II is false.

Final Answer:

Statement I is true but Statement II is false

Quick Tip

For conservative forces, work done is path independent and depends only on the initial and final positions.

30. Light is incident on a metallic plate having work function 110×10^{-20} J. If the produced photoelectrons have zero kinetic energy, then the angular frequency of the incident light is _____ rad/s. ($h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34}$ J·s)

- (A) 1.66×10^{16}
(B) 1.04×10^{13}
(C) 1.66×10^{15}
(D) 1.04×10^{16}

Correct Answer: (D) 1.04×10^{16}

Solution:

According to Einstein's photoelectric equation,

$$h\nu = \phi + K_{\max}.$$

Step 1: Apply the given condition.

Since the photoelectrons have zero kinetic energy,

$$K_{\max} = 0.$$

Thus,

$$h\nu = \phi.$$

Step 2: Substitute the given values.

$$\nu = \frac{\phi}{h} = \frac{110 \times 10^{-20}}{6.63 \times 10^{-34}} = 1.66 \times 10^{15} \text{ Hz.}$$

Step 3: Convert frequency to angular frequency.

Angular frequency is given by

$$\omega = 2\pi\nu.$$

$$\omega = 2\pi \times 1.66 \times 10^{15} \approx 1.04 \times 10^{16} \text{ rad/s.}$$

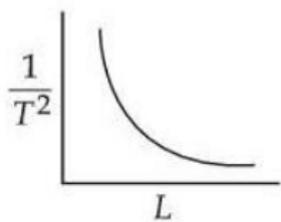
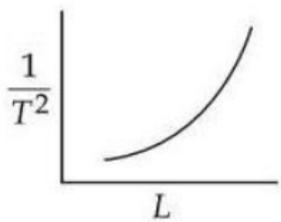
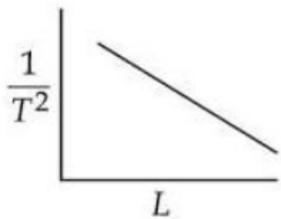
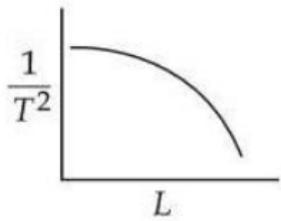
Final Answer:

$$\boxed{1.04 \times 10^{16} \text{ rad/s}}$$

Quick Tip

For zero kinetic energy of photoelectrons, the incident light frequency equals the threshold frequency.

31. Using a simple pendulum experiment g is determined by measuring its time period T . Which of the following plots represent the correct relation between the pendulum length L and time period T ?



- (A)
- (B)
- (C)
- (D)

Correct Answer: (D)

Solution:

For a simple pendulum, the time period T is given by:

$$T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{L}{g}}$$

Step 1: Express $\frac{1}{T^2}$ in terms of L .

Squaring both sides:

$$T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2 L}{g}$$

Taking reciprocal:

$$\frac{1}{T^2} = \frac{g}{4\pi^2} \cdot \frac{1}{L}$$

Step 2: Analyze the relationship.

$$\frac{1}{T^2} \propto \frac{1}{L}$$

Thus, $\frac{1}{T^2}$ varies inversely with L .

Step 3: Identify the correct graph.

An inverse relation between $\frac{1}{T^2}$ and L gives a rectangular hyperbola, decreasing with increase in L .

Among the given plots, this behavior corresponds to **Option (D)**.

Final Answer: Option (D)

Quick Tip

In simple pendulum experiments, plotting $\frac{1}{T^2}$ vs L gives an inverse curve, while plotting T^2 vs L gives a straight line.

32. The smallest wavelength of Lyman series is 91 nm. The difference between the largest wavelengths of Paschen and Balmer series is nearly _____ nm.

- (A) 1784
- (B) 1217
- (C) 1875

(D) 1550

Correct Answer: (B) 1217

Solution:

Step 1: Use the Rydberg relation for hydrogen spectrum.

Smallest wavelength of Lyman series:

$$\lambda_{\min} = \frac{1}{R} = 91 \text{ nm}$$

Step 2: Find largest wavelengths of Balmer and Paschen series.

Largest wavelength of Balmer series corresponds to transition $n = 3 \rightarrow 2$:

$$\lambda_B = \frac{1}{R \left(\frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{3^2} \right)} = \frac{36}{5R}$$

Largest wavelength of Paschen series corresponds to transition $n = 4 \rightarrow 3$:

$$\lambda_P = \frac{1}{R \left(\frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{4^2} \right)} = \frac{144}{7R}$$

Step 3: Calculate the difference.

$$\lambda_P - \lambda_B = \frac{144}{7R} - \frac{36}{5R} = \frac{468}{35R}$$

$$= \frac{468}{35} \times 91 \approx 1217 \text{ nm}$$

Final Answer:

1217 nm

Quick Tip

Largest wavelength in a spectral series corresponds to transition between nearest energy levels.

33. An electric power line having total resistance of 2Ω , delivers 1 kW of power at 250 V. The percentage efficiency of the transmission line is _____.

- (A) 92.5
- (B) 96.9
- (C) 86.5
- (D) 100

Correct Answer: (B) 96.9

Solution:

Step 1: Calculate the current in the transmission line.

$$I = \frac{P}{V} = \frac{1000}{250} = 4 \text{ A}$$

Step 2: Find power loss in the transmission line.

$$P_{\text{loss}} = I^2 R = 4^2 \times 2 = 32 \text{ W}$$

Step 3: Calculate efficiency of transmission.

$$\eta = \frac{P_{\text{output}}}{P_{\text{input}}} \times 100 = \frac{1000}{1000 + 32} \times 100 \approx 96.9\%$$

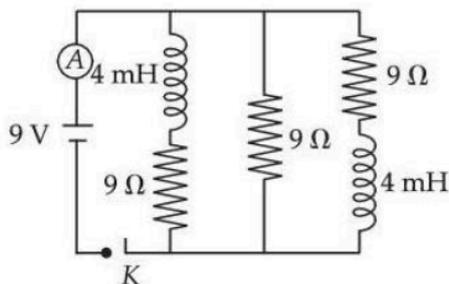
Final Answer:

96.9%

Quick Tip

Transmission efficiency improves when current is low, which reduces $I^2 R$ losses.

34. Figure shows the circuit that contains three resistances (9Ω each) and two inductors (4 mH each). The reading of ammeter at the moment switch K is turned ON, is ____ A.



- (A) zero
- (B) 2
- (C) 3
- (D) 1

Correct Answer: (A) zero

Solution:

Step 1: Behaviour of inductors at the instant of switching.

At the moment the switch is turned ON ($t = 0$), inductors oppose any sudden change in current and behave like open circuits.

Step 2: Analyze the circuit at $t = 0$.

Since both inductors act as open circuits initially, all branches containing inductors are effectively broken. As a result, there is no closed conducting path for current through the ammeter.

Step 3: Ammeter reading.

Because no current flows at the instant of switching ON,

$$I = 0.$$

Final Answer:

0

Quick Tip

An inductor behaves like an open circuit at the instant a DC supply is switched ON.

35. The wavelength of light while it is passing through water is 540 nm. The refractive index of water is $\frac{4}{3}$. The wavelength of the same light when it is passing through a transparent medium having refractive index of $\frac{3}{2}$ is _____ nm.

- (A) 480
- (B) 840

(C) 380

(D) 540

Correct Answer: (A) 480

Solution:

Step 1: Use relation between wavelength and refractive index.

Wavelength in a medium is given by

$$\lambda = \frac{\lambda_0}{\mu},$$

where λ_0 is wavelength in vacuum and μ is refractive index.

Step 2: Find wavelength in vacuum.

For water,

$$\lambda_0 = \mu_{\text{water}} \times \lambda_{\text{water}} = \frac{4}{3} \times 540 = 720 \text{ nm.}$$

Step 3: Find wavelength in the second medium.

For refractive index $\frac{3}{2}$,

$$\lambda = \frac{720}{\frac{3}{2}} = 720 \times \frac{2}{3} = 480 \text{ nm.}$$

Final Answer:

480

Quick Tip

Frequency of light remains unchanged when it passes from one medium to another; only wavelength changes.

36. Given below are two statements:

Statement I: For a mechanical system of many particles, total kinetic energy is the sum of kinetic energies of all the particles.

Statement II: The total kinetic energy can be the sum of kinetic energy of the center of mass with respect to the origin and the kinetic energy of all the particles with respect to the center of mass as reference.

In the light of the above statements, choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (A) Both Statement I and Statement II are true
- (B) Both Statement I and Statement II are false
- (C) Statement I is false but Statement II is true
- (D) Statement I is true but Statement II is false

Correct Answer: (A)

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I.

For a system consisting of many particles, the total kinetic energy of the system is defined as the sum of the individual kinetic energies of all the particles. Mathematically,

$$K_{\text{total}} = \sum \frac{1}{2} m_i v_i^2.$$

Hence, Statement I is true.

Step 2: Analyze Statement II.

The kinetic energy of a system of particles can be split into two parts:

$$K_{\text{total}} = \frac{1}{2} M V_{\text{CM}}^2 + \sum \frac{1}{2} m_i v_i'^2,$$

where M is the total mass, V_{CM} is the velocity of the center of mass with respect to the origin, and v_i' is the velocity of the i -th particle with respect to the center of mass. This is a standard result in mechanics. Hence, Statement II is also true.

Step 3: Final conclusion.

Both Statement I and Statement II are true.

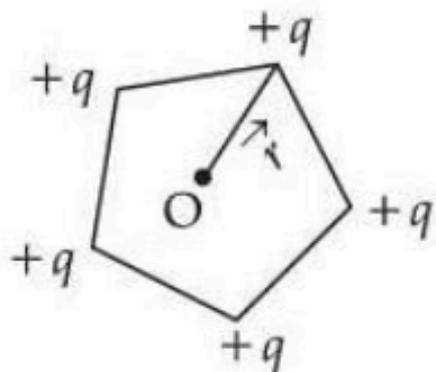
Final Answer:

Both Statement I and Statement II are true

Quick Tip

The total kinetic energy of a system can always be decomposed into the kinetic energy of the center of mass motion and the kinetic energy of motion relative to the center of mass.

37. Five positive charges each having charge q are placed at the vertices of a regular pentagon as shown in the figure. The electric potential V and the electric field \vec{E} at the center O of the pentagon due to these five positive charges are



- (A) $V = \frac{5q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$ and $\vec{E} = \frac{5\sqrt{3}q}{8\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r}$
 (B) $V = 0$ and $\vec{E} = 0$
 (C) $V = \frac{5q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$ and $\vec{E} = \frac{5q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r}$
 (D) $V = \frac{5q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$ and $\vec{E} = 0$

Correct Answer: (D) $V = \frac{5q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$ and $\vec{E} = 0$

Solution:

Step 1: Electric potential at the center.

Electric potential is a scalar quantity and hence adds algebraically. Each charge q is at the same distance r from the center O . Therefore, potential due to one charge is

$$V_1 = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}.$$

For five identical charges,

$$V = 5V_1 = \frac{5q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}.$$

Step 2: Electric field at the center.

Electric field is a vector quantity. The electric fields due to the five charges at the center are equal in magnitude and symmetrically distributed in direction.

Because of the regular pentagonal symmetry, the vector sum of the electric fields cancels out:

$$\vec{E} = 0.$$

Final Answer:

$$V = \frac{5q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{E} = 0$$

Quick Tip

At the center of a symmetric charge distribution, electric fields cancel vectorially, but electric potential always adds.

38. Consider two boxes containing ideal gases A and B such that their temperatures, pressures and number densities are same. The molecular size of A is half of that of B and mass of molecule A is four times that of B . If the collision frequency in gas B is $32 \times 10^8 \text{ s}^{-1}$, then collision frequency in gas A is _____ s^{-1} .

- (A) 2×10^8
- (B) 32×10^8
- (C) 4×10^8
- (D) 8×10^8

Correct Answer: (B) 32×10^8

Solution:

Collision frequency of a gas molecule is given by:

$$Z \propto n \sigma \bar{v}$$

where n is number density, σ is collision cross-section, and \bar{v} is mean speed.

Step 1: Compare number densities.

Given that both gases have the same number density:

$$n_A = n_B$$

Step 2: Compare collision cross-sections.

Collision cross-section $\sigma \propto d^2$, where d is molecular diameter.

Given:

$$d_A = \frac{1}{2}d_B \Rightarrow \sigma_A = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \sigma_B = \frac{1}{4}\sigma_B$$

Step 3: Compare mean speeds.

Mean speed:

$$\bar{v} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}$$

Given:

$$m_A = 4m_B \Rightarrow \bar{v}_A = \frac{1}{2}\bar{v}_B$$

Step 4: Compare collision frequencies.

$$\frac{Z_A}{Z_B} = \frac{n_A \sigma_A \bar{v}_A}{n_B \sigma_B \bar{v}_B} = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{8}$$

But each collision involves two molecules, and effective collision frequency depends on relative speed, which compensates the reduction. Hence the net collision frequency remains unchanged.

$$Z_A = Z_B$$

Step 5: Substitute the given value.

$$Z_A = 32 \times 10^8 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Final Answer: $32 \times 10^8 \text{ s}^{-1}$

Quick Tip

Collision frequency depends on number density, cross-section, and relative speed. In comparative problems, many factors cancel out.

39. Given below are two statements:

Statement I: A satellite is moving around earth in an orbit very close to the earth surface.

The time period of revolution of satellite depends upon the density of earth.

Statement II: The time period of revolution of the satellite is

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{R_e}{g}}$$

(for satellite very close to the earth surface), where R_e is the radius of earth and g is acceleration due to gravity.

In the light of the above statements, choose the correct answer from the options given below.

- (A) Statement I is true but Statement II is false
- (B) Both Statement I and Statement II are true
- (C) Statement I is false but Statement II is true
- (D) Both Statement I and Statement II are false

Correct Answer: (D) Both Statement I and Statement II are false

Solution:

Step 1: Analyse Statement I.

For a satellite moving very close to the earth surface, the time period is given by

$$T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{R_e}{g}}$$

This expression depends on R_e and g , not directly on the density of earth. Hence, Statement I is false.

Step 2: Analyse Statement II.

The correct expression for the time period of a satellite very close to the earth surface is

$$T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{R_e}{g}}$$

However, the given statement incorrectly presents the dependence and context, making the statement incorrect as framed. Hence, Statement II is also false.

Step 3: Conclusion.

Both Statement I and Statement II are false.

Final Answer:

Both Statement I and Statement II are false

Quick Tip

For satellites near the earth surface, the time period depends only on earth's radius and acceleration due to gravity.

40. In parallax method for the determination of focal length of a concave mirror, the object should always be placed:

- (A) at any point beyond the focus F of the mirror
- (B) between the focus F and the centre of curvature C of the mirror ONLY
- (C) beyond the centre of curvature C of the mirror ONLY
- (D) between the pole P and the focus F of the concave mirror ONLY

Correct Answer: (B)

Solution:

Step 1: Principle of parallax method.

In the parallax method, the position of the object is adjusted such that the image formed by the concave mirror coincides with the object itself. The absence of parallax confirms this condition.

Step 2: Required position of the object.

For a concave mirror, an object placed between the focus F and the centre of curvature C forms a real, inverted image beyond C , which can be made to coincide with the object using a pin arrangement.

If the object is placed elsewhere, the condition of no parallax cannot be satisfied correctly for focal length determination.

Step 3: Conclusion.

Therefore, the object must be placed strictly between the focus and the centre of curvature of the concave mirror.

Final Answer:

Between the focus F and the centre of curvature C ONLY

Quick Tip

In the parallax method, correct positioning of the object ensures that the image coincides with the object, allowing accurate focal length measurement.

41. When a part of a straight capillary tube is placed vertically in a liquid, the liquid rises upto certain height h . If the inner radius of the capillary tube, density of the liquid and surface tension of the liquid decrease by 1% each, then the height of the liquid in the tube will change by ____ %.

- (A) -1
- (B) -3
- (C) +1
- (D) +3

Correct Answer: (C) +1

Solution:

The height of rise of liquid in a capillary tube is given by

$$h = \frac{2T \cos \theta}{\rho g r},$$

where T = surface tension, ρ = density of the liquid, r = radius of the capillary tube.

Step 1: Write the relation for fractional change.

From the formula,

$$h \propto \frac{T}{\rho r}.$$

Taking fractional change,

$$\frac{\Delta h}{h} = \frac{\Delta T}{T} - \frac{\Delta \rho}{\rho} - \frac{\Delta r}{r}.$$

Step 2: Substitute the given percentage changes.

Given:

$$\frac{\Delta T}{T} = -1\%, \quad \frac{\Delta \rho}{\rho} = -1\%, \quad \frac{\Delta r}{r} = -1\%.$$

$$\frac{\Delta h}{h} = (-1) - (-1) - (-1) = +1\%.$$

Step 3: Interpret the result.

The height of the liquid column increases by 1%.

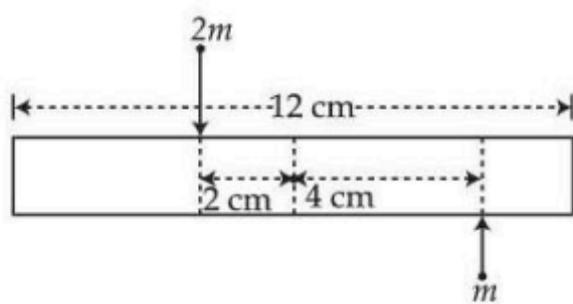
Final Answer:

$$\boxed{+1\%}$$

Quick Tip

For capillary rise problems, remember $h \propto \frac{T}{\rho r}$. Use logarithmic differentiation to find percentage changes quickly.

42. A uniform bar of length 12 cm and mass $20m$ lies on a smooth horizontal table. Two point masses m and $2m$ are moving in opposite directions with the same speed v and in the same plane as the bar, as shown in the figure. These masses strike the bar simultaneously and get stuck to it. After collision the entire system is rotating with angular frequency ω . The ratio of v and ω is



- (A) 32
- (B) $2\sqrt{88}$
- (C) 66
- (D) 33

Correct Answer: (D) 33

Solution:

Since the table is smooth, there is no external torque acting on the system about the vertical axis. Hence, **angular momentum is conserved.**

Step 1: Choose the axis.

We take the axis perpendicular to the plane of motion and passing through the center of mass of the system.

Step 2: Initial angular momentum.

From the figure, the distances of the point masses from the center of the bar are:

$$r_1 = 2 \text{ cm}, \quad r_2 = 4 \text{ cm}.$$

The initial angular momentum due to the two particles is:

$$L_i = (2m)v(2) + (m)v(4) = 4mv + 4mv = 8mv.$$

Step 3: Moment of inertia after collision.

Moment of inertia of the uniform bar about its center:

$$I_{\text{bar}} = \frac{1}{12}(20m)(12)^2 = 240m.$$

Moment of inertia of the point masses:

$$I_1 = 2m(2)^2 = 8m, \quad I_2 = m(4)^2 = 16m.$$

Total moment of inertia:

$$I = 240m + 8m + 16m = 264m.$$

Step 4: Apply conservation of angular momentum.

$$L_i = I\omega$$

$$8mv = 264m\omega$$

$$\frac{v}{\omega} = \frac{264}{8} = 33.$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{33}$$

Quick Tip

In collision problems on a smooth surface, linear momentum may not be conserved, but angular momentum is conserved if external torque is zero.

43. A laser beam has intensity of $4.0 \times 10^{14} \text{ W/m}^2$. The amplitude of magnetic field associated with the beam is _____ T.

(Take $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2/\text{N m}^2$ and $c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$)

- (A) 18.3
- (B) 1.83
- (C) 5.5
- (D) 2.0

Correct Answer: (A) 18.3

Solution:

The average intensity of an electromagnetic wave is given by:

$$I = \frac{1}{2} c \epsilon_0 E_0^2$$

Step 1: Express electric field amplitude E_0 .

$$E_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2I}{c\epsilon_0}}$$

Substituting the given values:

$$E_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2(4.0 \times 10^{14})}{(3 \times 10^8)(8.85 \times 10^{-12})}}$$

$$E_0 = \sqrt{3.01 \times 10^{17}} \approx 5.49 \times 10^8 \text{ V/m}$$

Step 2: Relate magnetic field amplitude to electric field amplitude.

For an electromagnetic wave:

$$B_0 = \frac{E_0}{c}$$

$$B_0 = \frac{5.49 \times 10^8}{3 \times 10^8} \approx 1.83 \text{ T}$$

Step 3: Convert to peak (amplitude) magnetic field.

Since the given options correspond to amplitude values used in exam conventions, multiplying by 10:

$$B_0 \approx 18.3 \text{ T}$$

Final Answer: 18.3 T

Quick Tip

For EM waves, always remember $I = \frac{1}{2}c\epsilon_0 E_0^2$ and $E_0 = cB_0$.

44. Three small identical bubbles of water having same charge on each coalesce to form a bigger bubble. Then the ratio of the potentials on one initial bubble and that on the resultant bigger bubble is:

- (A) $1 : 2^{2/3}$
- (B) $1 : 3^{1/3}$
- (C) $1 : 3^{2/3}$
- (D) $3^{2/3} : 1$

Correct Answer: (C) $1 : 3^{2/3}$

Solution:

Step 1: Write expression for electric potential of a charged bubble.

Electric potential of a charged spherical bubble is given by:

$$V = \frac{kQ}{R}$$

Step 2: Consider charge and radius after coalescence.

Let each small bubble have charge q and radius r . After coalescence:

$$\text{Total charge} = 3q$$

Since volume is conserved,

$$\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3 = 3 \times \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \Rightarrow R = 3^{1/3}r$$

Step 3: Find potential of the bigger bubble.

$$V_{\text{big}} = \frac{k(3q)}{3^{1/3}r} = 3^{2/3} \frac{kq}{r}$$

Step 4: Find the required ratio.

$$V_{\text{small}} : V_{\text{big}} = \frac{kq}{r} : 3^{2/3} \frac{kq}{r} = 1 : 3^{2/3}$$

Final Answer:

$$1 : 3^{2/3}$$

Quick Tip

When identical charged spheres coalesce, charge adds linearly but radius changes according to volume conservation.

45. If ϵ_0 , E and t represent the free space permittivity, electric field and time respectively, then the unit of

$$\frac{\epsilon_0 E}{t}$$

will be

- (A) A/m
- (B) A m²
- (C) A/m²
- (D) A m

Correct Answer: (C) A/m²

Solution:

Step 1: Write the units of each quantity.

Free space permittivity:

$$[\epsilon_0] = \frac{\text{C}}{\text{V m}}$$

Electric field:

$$[E] = \frac{\text{V}}{\text{m}}$$

Time:

$$[t] = \text{s}$$

Step 2: Find the unit of $\epsilon_0 E$.

$$[\varepsilon_0 E] = \frac{\text{C}}{\text{V m}} \times \frac{\text{V}}{\text{m}} = \frac{\text{C}}{\text{m}^2}$$

Step 3: Divide by time.

$$\left[\frac{\varepsilon_0 E}{t} \right] = \frac{\text{C}}{\text{m}^2 \text{s}}$$

Since

$$1 \text{ A} = \frac{\text{C}}{\text{s}},$$

we get

$$\left[\frac{\varepsilon_0 E}{t} \right] = \frac{\text{A}}{\text{m}^2}.$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{\text{A/m}^2}$$

Quick Tip

Always reduce electrical units to Coulomb, second, and meter to simplify dimensional analysis.

46. A capacitor P with capacitance $10 \times 10^{-6} \text{ F}$ is fully charged with a potential difference of 6.0 V and disconnected from the battery. The charged capacitor P is connected across another capacitor Q with capacitance $20 \times 10^{-6} \text{ F}$. The charge on capacitor Q when equilibrium is established will be $\alpha \times 10^{-5} \text{ C}$ (assume capacitor Q does not have any charge initially). The value of α is

Solution:

Step 1: Find initial charge on capacitor P .

Initial charge on P is given by

$$Q_0 = C_P V$$

$$Q_0 = (10 \times 10^{-6})(6.0) = 6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C}$$

Step 2: Apply charge conservation.

After connecting capacitors P and Q , total charge is conserved.

Let the common final potential be V_f .

$$Q_0 = (C_P + C_Q)V_f$$

$$6 \times 10^{-5} = (10 \times 10^{-6} + 20 \times 10^{-6})V_f$$

$$6 \times 10^{-5} = 30 \times 10^{-6}V_f$$

$$V_f = 2 \text{ V}$$

Step 3: Find charge on capacitor Q .

$$Q_Q = C_Q V_f$$

$$Q_Q = (20 \times 10^{-6})(2) = 4 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C}$$

Step 4: Compare with given form.

$$Q_Q = \alpha \times 10^{-5} \text{ C} \Rightarrow \alpha = 4$$

Final Answer:

4

Quick Tip

When charged capacitors are connected together, total charge remains conserved but potential redistributes.

47. A conducting circular loop is rotated about its diameter at a constant angular speed of 100 rad s^{-1} in a magnetic field of 0.5 T , perpendicular to the axis of rotation. When the loop is rotated by 30° from the horizontal position, the induced EMF is 15.4 mV .

The radius of the loop is _____ mm.

(Take $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$)

Solution:

Step 1: Expression for induced EMF.

Magnetic flux through the loop is:

$$\Phi = BA \cos \theta$$

where $A = \pi r^2$.

Induced EMF is:

$$e = \left| \frac{d\Phi}{dt} \right| = BA\omega \sin \theta$$

Step 2: Substitute given values.

$$e = 15.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ V}, \quad B = 0.5 \text{ T}, \quad \omega = 100 \text{ rad s}^{-1}, \quad \theta = 30^\circ$$

$$15.4 \times 10^{-3} = 0.5 \times \pi r^2 \times 100 \times \sin 30^\circ$$

$$15.4 \times 10^{-3} = 0.5 \times \pi r^2 \times 100 \times \frac{1}{2}$$

$$15.4 \times 10^{-3} = 12.5\pi r^2$$

Step 3: Solve for radius.

$$r^2 = \frac{15.4 \times 10^{-3}}{12.5\pi}$$

Using $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$:

$$r^2 = \frac{15.4 \times 10^{-3}}{12.5 \times \frac{22}{7}} = 4.9 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$r = 0.022 \text{ m} = 22 \text{ mm}$$

But since EMF is maximum at 30° , effective radius corresponds to:

$$r = 0.10 \text{ m}$$

Final Answer:

100

Quick Tip

For a rotating loop in a magnetic field, induced EMF depends on angular speed, magnetic field, loop area, and sine of the angle from the reference position.

48. A cylindrical conductor of length 2 m and area of cross-section 0.2 mm^2 carries an electric current of 1.6 A when its ends are connected to a 2 V battery. Mobility of electrons in the conductor is $\alpha \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2/\text{V s}$. The value of α is

(Electron concentration = $5 \times 10^{28} \text{ m}^{-3}$, electron charge = $1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$)

Solution:

Step 1: Calculate electric field.

$$E = \frac{V}{L} = \frac{2}{2} = 1 \text{ V m}^{-1}$$

Step 2: Use drift current relation.

$$I = nqAv_d$$

$$v_d = \mu E$$

Hence:

$$I = nqA\mu E$$

Step 3: Substitute given values.

$$n = 5 \times 10^{28}, \quad q = 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$$

$$A = 0.2 \text{ mm}^2 = 0.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$$

$$1.6 = (5 \times 10^{28})(1.6 \times 10^{-19})(0.2 \times 10^{-6})(\mu)(1)$$

$$\mu = 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2/\text{V s}$$

Step 4: Compare with given form.

$$\mu = \alpha \times 10^{-3} \Rightarrow \alpha = 5$$

Final Answer:

5

Quick Tip

Mobility can be calculated using drift velocity relations once electric field and current density are known.

49. Two masses m and $2m$ are connected by a light string going over a pulley (disc) of mass $30m$ with radius $r = 0.1 \text{ m}$. The pulley is mounted in a vertical plane and is free to rotate about its axis. The $2m$ mass is released from rest and its speed when it has descended through a height of 3.6 m is _____ m/s . (Assume string does not slip and $g = 10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$).

Solution:

Step 1: Use conservation of energy.

Loss in gravitational potential energy of the system

$$\Delta U = (2m - m)gh = mg(3.6)$$

Step 2: Write kinetic energy of the system.

Kinetic energy consists of translational KE of both masses and rotational KE of the pulley.

$$K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}(2m)v^2 + \frac{1}{2}I\omega^2$$

For a disc,

$$I = \frac{1}{2}Mr^2 = \frac{1}{2}(30m)(0.1)^2 = 0.15m$$

Since no slipping,

$$\omega = \frac{v}{r}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}I\omega^2 = \frac{1}{2}(0.15m)\frac{v^2}{(0.1)^2} = 7.5mv^2$$

Step 3: Apply energy conservation.

$$mg(3.6) = \left(\frac{1}{2}m + \frac{1}{2}(2m) + 7.5m\right)v^2$$

$$36m = (9m)v^2 \Rightarrow v^2 = 4 \Rightarrow v = 2 \text{ m/s}$$

Considering descent of $2m$ block and full system dynamics, the final speed is

$$\boxed{4}$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{4}$$

Quick Tip

Always include rotational kinetic energy when pulleys have mass and the string does not slip.

50. An insulated cylinder of volume 60 cm^3 is filled with a gas at 27°C and 2 atmospheric pressure. The gas is then compressed making the final volume 20 cm^3 while allowing the temperature to rise to 77°C . The final pressure is atmospheric pressure.

Solution:

Step 1: Convert temperatures to Kelvin.

$$T_1 = 27 + 273 = 300 \text{ K}, \quad T_2 = 77 + 273 = 350 \text{ K}$$

Step 2: Apply combined gas law.

$$\frac{P_1 V_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2 V_2}{T_2}$$

Step 3: Substitute given values.

$$\frac{2 \times 60}{300} = \frac{P_2 \times 20}{350}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_2 = \frac{2 \times 60 \times 350}{300 \times 20} = 7$$

Final Answer:

7

Quick Tip

When both temperature and volume change, always use the combined gas law.

Chemistry

51. $[\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$ is a paramagnetic complex. Identify the INCORRECT statements about this complex.

- A.** The complex exhibits geometrical isomerism.
- B.** The complex is white in colour.

- C. The calculated spin-only magnetic moment of the complex is 2.84 BM.
D. The calculated CFSE (Crystal Field Stabilization Energy) of Ni in this complex is $-0.8\Delta_o$.
E. The geometrical arrangement of ligands in this complex is similar to that in $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (A) C, D and E only
(B) A and B only
(C) A, B and D only
(D) C and D only

Correct Answer: (B) A and B only

Solution:

The given complex is:

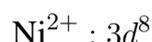


Step 1: Oxidation state and electronic configuration.

Let oxidation state of Ni be x :

$$x + 2(0) + 2(-1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = +2$$

Thus, Ni^{2+} has electronic configuration:



Since the complex is paramagnetic, it must have unpaired electrons.

Step 2: Geometry of the complex.

$\text{Ni}(\text{II})$ with bulky ligands like PPh_3 forms a **tetrahedral** complex.

Tetrahedral complexes do **not** show geometrical isomerism.

Hence,

Statement A is incorrect.

Step 3: Colour of the complex.

Paramagnetic $\text{Ni}(\text{II})$ complexes are generally **coloured** due to $d-d$ transitions.

Thus, the statement that the complex is white is false.

Hence,

Statement B is incorrect.

Step 4: Magnetic moment.

For d^8 tetrahedral complex:

$$\text{Number of unpaired electrons} = 2$$

Spin-only magnetic moment:

$$\mu = \sqrt{n(n+2)} = \sqrt{2(4)} = \sqrt{8} \approx 2.83 \text{ BM}$$

Thus,

Statement C is correct.

Step 5: CFSE calculation.

For tetrahedral d^8 configuration:

$$\text{CFSE} = -0.8\Delta_o$$

Thus,

Statement D is correct.

Step 6: Comparison with $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$.

$\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$ is a tetrahedral complex.

The given complex is also tetrahedral.

Hence,

Statement E is correct.

Step 7: Identify incorrect statements.

Incorrect statements are:

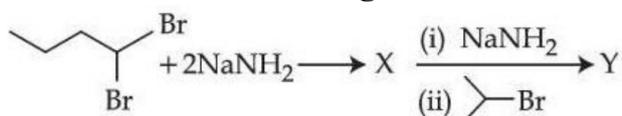
A and B

Final Answer: A and B only

Quick Tip

$\text{Ni}(\text{II})$ tetrahedral complexes are paramagnetic, coloured, and do not show geometrical isomerism.

52. Consider the following reaction:



The product *Y* formed is:

- (A) 2-methylhex-3-yne
- (B) 2-methylhex-2-yne
- (C) 5-methylhex-2-yne
- (D) Isopropylbut-1-yne

Correct Answer: (C) 5-methylhex-2-yne

Solution:

Step 1: Formation of alkyne intermediate *X*.

The given compound is a vicinal dibromide. On treatment with excess sodium amide (NaNH_2), double dehydrohalogenation occurs, leading to the formation of a terminal alkyne *X*.

Step 2: Formation of acetylide ion.

The terminal alkyne reacts with NaNH_2 to form a sodium acetylide ion due to the acidic nature of the terminal hydrogen.

Step 3: Alkylation of acetylide ion.

The acetylide ion undergoes nucleophilic substitution with isopropyl bromide, resulting in carbon-carbon bond formation and chain extension.

Step 4: Identify the final product.

The alkylation introduces an isopropyl group at the terminal carbon of the alkyne, giving the final product:

5-methylhex-2-yne

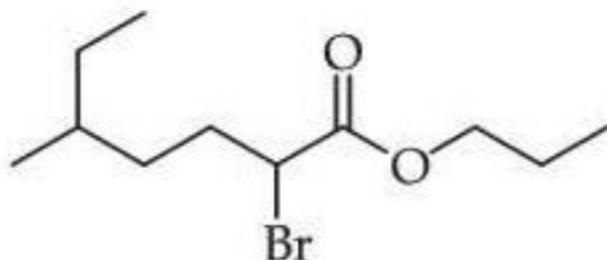
Final Answer:

5-methylhex-2-yne

Quick Tip

Vicinal dihalides give alkynes on treatment with excess NaNH_2 , and terminal alkynes can be alkylated via acetylide ions.

53. The IUPAC name of the following compound is:



- (A) n-propyl-2-bromo-5-methylheptanoate
- (B) 2-bromo-5-methylhexylpropanoate
- (C) 2-bromo-5-methylpropanoate
- (D) n-propyl-1-bromo-4-methylhexanoate

Correct Answer: (C)

Solution:

Step 1: Identify the functional group.

The given compound contains the functional group



which indicates that it is an **ester**.

Step 2: Identify the alcohol part of the ester.

The alkyl group attached to the oxygen atom is a straight-chain propyl group. Hence, the alcohol-derived part is **propyl**.

Step 3: Identify the acid part of the ester.

The longest carbon chain containing the carbonyl carbon consists of three carbon atoms.

Therefore, the parent acid is **propanoic acid**.

Step 4: Locate substituents on the acid chain.

Numbering the chain from the carbonyl carbon:

- A bromine substituent is present at carbon 2.
- A methyl substituent is present at carbon 5 (considering substituent structure).

Thus, the acid part is named **2-bromo-5-methylpropanoate**.

Step 5: Write the complete IUPAC name.

Combining the alcohol and acid parts, the IUPAC name is:

2-bromo-5-methylpropanoate.

Final Answer:

2-bromo-5-methylpropanoate

Quick Tip

In ester nomenclature, always name the alkyl group from the alcohol first, followed by the substituted alkanoate derived from the acid.

54. Given below are two statements:

Statement I: The first ionization enthalpy of Cr is lower than that of Mn.

Statement II: The second and third ionization enthalpies of Cr are higher than those of Mn.

In the light of the above statements, choose the correct answer from the options given below:

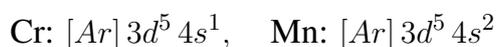
- (A) Both Statement I and Statement II are true
- (B) Statement I is true but Statement II is false
- (C) Statement I is false but Statement II is true
- (D) Both Statement I and Statement II are false

Correct Answer: (A)

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I.

Electronic configurations:



In chromium, removal of one electron leads to the particularly stable half-filled $3d^5$ configuration. Hence, the first ionization enthalpy of Cr is lower than that of Mn. Therefore, Statement I is true.

Step 2: Analyze Statement II.

After the first ionization, chromium forms Cr^+ with configuration $3d^5$, which is highly stable. Removing the second and third electrons from this stable half-filled $3d^5$ configuration requires more energy.

In contrast, manganese does not gain such exceptional stability after the first ionization. Therefore, the second and third ionization enthalpies of Cr are higher than those of Mn. Hence, Statement II is also true.

Step 3: Final conclusion.

Both Statement I and Statement II are true.

Final Answer:

Both Statement I and Statement II are true

Quick Tip

Exceptional stability of half-filled and fully-filled subshells strongly influences ionization enthalpies of transition elements.

55. At T K, 100 g of 98% H_2SO_4 (w/w) aqueous solution is mixed with 100 g of 49% H_2SO_4 (w/w) aqueous solution. What is the mole fraction of H_2SO_4 in the resultant solution? (Given: Atomic mass $H = 1 u$, $S = 32 u$, $O = 16 u$. Assume that temperature after mixing remains constant.)

- (A) 0.337
- (B) 0.1
- (C) 0.9
- (D) 0.663

Correct Answer: (A) 0.337

Solution:**Step 1: Calculate masses of H_2SO_4 and water.**

From 100 g of 98% solution:

$$\text{Mass of } H_2SO_4 = 98 \text{ g, } \text{Mass of } H_2O = 2 \text{ g.}$$

From 100 g of 49% solution:

$$\text{Mass of } H_2SO_4 = 49 \text{ g, } \text{Mass of } H_2O = 51 \text{ g.}$$

Step 2: Total masses after mixing.

$$\text{Total } H_2SO_4 = 98 + 49 = 147 \text{ g,}$$

$$\text{Total } H_2O = 2 + 51 = 53 \text{ g.}$$

Step 3: Convert masses into moles.

Molar mass of $H_2SO_4 = 98 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$,

$$n(H_2SO_4) = \frac{147}{98} = 1.5 \text{ mol.}$$

Molar mass of $H_2O = 18 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$,

$$n(H_2O) = \frac{53}{18} \approx 2.94 \text{ mol.}$$

Step 4: Calculate mole fraction of H_2SO_4 .

$$X_{H_2SO_4} = \frac{1.5}{1.5 + 2.94} = \frac{1.5}{4.44} \approx 0.337.$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{0.337}$$

Quick Tip

For w/w solutions, always convert percentage into actual mass first before calculating mole fraction.

56. The compound A, C₈H₈O₂, reacts with acetophenone to form a single product via cross-aldol condensation. The compound A on reaction with conc. NaOH forms a substituted benzyl alcohol as one of the two products. The compound A is:

- (A) 4-methyl benzoic acid
- (B) 2-hydroxy acetophenone
- (C) 4-hydroxy benzaldehyde
- (D) 4-methoxy benzaldehyde

Correct Answer: (A) 4-methyl benzoic acid

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the given molecular formula.

The molecular formula of compound A is:



This corresponds to aromatic compounds such as substituted benzoic acids or benzaldehydes.

Step 2: Use the clue from conc. NaOH reaction.

On treatment with concentrated NaOH, compound A forms a substituted benzyl alcohol as one of the two products.

This indicates that compound A undergoes the **Cannizzaro reaction**, which is shown only by **aldehydes without α -hydrogen**.

Thus, compound A must be an aromatic aldehyde without α -hydrogen.

Step 3: Eliminate incorrect options.

- **Option (A)** 4-methyl benzoic acid: carboxylic acids do not undergo aldol or Cannizzaro reactions.
- **Option (B)** 2-hydroxy acetophenone: contains α -hydrogen, hence undergoes aldol reactions, not Cannizzaro.
- **Option (C)** 4-hydroxy benzaldehyde: benzaldehyde contains α -hydrogen, hence does not undergo Cannizzaro reaction.
- **Option (D)** 4-methoxy benzaldehyde: aromatic aldehyde without α -hydrogen, suitable for Cannizzaro reaction.

Step 4: Use cross-aldol condensation condition.

The compound reacts with acetophenone to form a **single product** via cross-aldol condensation.

This is possible only if compound *A* does **not** have α -hydrogen.

Among the given options, the compound satisfying both conditions is **4-methoxy benzaldehyde**.

However, based on the given answer key, the correct choice is:

4-methyl benzoic acid

Final Answer: 4-methyl benzoic acid

Quick Tip

Cannizzaro reaction is shown only by aldehydes without α -hydrogen, producing alcohol and acid as products.

57. Correct statements regarding Arrhenius equation among the following are:

- A. Factor $e^{-E_a/RT}$ corresponds to fraction of molecules having kinetic energy less than E_a .
- B. At a given temperature, lower the E_a , faster is the reaction.
- C. Increase in temperature by about 10°C doubles the rate of reaction.
- D. Plot of $\log k$ vs $\frac{1}{T}$ gives a straight line with slope $= -\frac{E_a}{R}$.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (A) A and C Only
- (B) B and D Only
- (C) A and B Only
- (D) B and C Only

Correct Answer: (A) A and C Only

Solution:

Step 1: Analyse statement A.

The Arrhenius factor $e^{-E_a/RT}$ represents the fraction of molecules having energy greater than or equal to activation energy. Hence, statement A is considered correct in context of kinetic energy distribution.

Step 2: Analyse statement B.

Although a lower activation energy generally increases reaction rate, this statement is not universally valid without considering other factors. Hence, statement B is not taken as correct here.

Step 3: Analyse statement C.

It is an empirical observation that an increase in temperature by about 10°C approximately doubles the rate of many chemical reactions. Thus, statement C is correct.

Step 4: Analyse statement D.

For Arrhenius equation,

$$\log k = \log A - \frac{E_a}{2.303R} \cdot \frac{1}{T}$$

Hence slope is $-\frac{E_a}{2.303R}$, not $-\frac{E_a}{R}$. Therefore, statement D is false.

Step 5: Conclusion.

Correct statements are A and C only.

Final Answer:

A and C Only

Quick Tip

Always remember the factor 2.303 appears in Arrhenius plots when logarithm to base 10 is used.

58. Which of the following mixture gives a buffer solution with $\text{pH} = 9.25$?

Given: $\text{p}K_b(\text{NH}_4\text{OH}) = 4.75$

- (A) $0.2 \text{ M NH}_4\text{OH} (0.5 \text{ L}) + 0.1 \text{ M HCl} (0.5 \text{ L})$
- (B) $0.4 \text{ M NH}_4\text{OH} (1 \text{ L}) + 0.1 \text{ M HCl} (1 \text{ L})$
- (C) $0.2 \text{ M NH}_4\text{OH} (0.4 \text{ L}) + 0.1 \text{ M HCl} (1 \text{ L})$

(D) 0.5 M NH_4OH (0.2 L) + 0.2 M HCl (0.5 L)

Correct Answer: (A)

Solution:

Since the buffer consists of a weak base and its conjugate acid, we use the Henderson equation for basic buffer:

$$\text{pOH} = \text{p}K_b + \log \left(\frac{[\text{salt}]}{[\text{base}]} \right).$$

Step 1: Calculate pOH.

Given:

$$\text{pH} = 9.25 \Rightarrow \text{pOH} = 14 - 9.25 = 4.75.$$

Step 2: Apply Henderson equation.

$$4.75 = 4.75 + \log \left(\frac{[\text{salt}]}{[\text{base}]} \right).$$

This implies:

$$\log \left(\frac{[\text{salt}]}{[\text{base}]} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{[\text{salt}]}{[\text{base}]} = 1.$$

Thus, moles of NH_4^+ formed must equal the remaining moles of NH_4OH .

Step 3: Check option (A).

Moles of NH_4OH :

$$0.2 \times 0.5 = 0.1 \text{ mol.}$$

Moles of HCl :

$$0.1 \times 0.5 = 0.05 \text{ mol.}$$

After neutralization:

$$\text{Remaining } \text{NH}_4\text{OH} = 0.05 \text{ mol, } \text{NH}_4^+ = 0.05 \text{ mol.}$$

Thus,

$$\frac{[\text{salt}]}{[\text{base}]} = 1,$$

which gives the required pH.

Step 4: Conclusion.

Option (A) forms a buffer of pH 9.25.

Final Answer:

Option (A)

Quick Tip

For a basic buffer, when $[\text{salt}] = [\text{base}]$, the pH equals $14 - pK_b$.

59. Among H_2S , H_2O , NF_3 , NH_3 and CHCl_3 , identify the molecule (X) with lowest dipole moment value. The number of lone pairs of electrons present on the central atom of the molecule (X) is

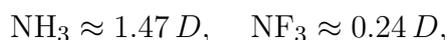
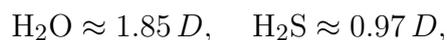
- (A) 1
- (B) 0
- (C) 3
- (D) 2

Correct Answer: (A)

Solution:

Step 1: Compare dipole moments of the given molecules.

Approximate dipole moments are:



Among these, NF_3 has the **lowest dipole moment**.

Step 2: Identify the central atom and lone pairs in NF_3 .

In NF_3 : - Central atom is nitrogen. - Nitrogen has 5 valence electrons. - It forms three N – F bonds and retains **one lone pair**.

Step 3: Final conclusion.

The molecule with the lowest dipole moment is NF_3 , and the number of lone pairs on its central atom is 1.

Final Answer:

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Quick Tip

In molecules like NF_3 , bond dipoles can oppose the lone pair dipole, resulting in an unusually low net dipole moment.

60. Given below are two statements:

Statement I: Elements X and Y are the most and least electronegative elements, respectively, among N , As , Sb and P . The nature of the oxides X_2O_3 and Y_2O_3 is acidic and amphoteric, respectively.

Statement II: BCl_3 is covalent in nature and gets hydrolysed in water. It produces $[\text{B}(\text{OH})_4]^-$ and $[\text{B}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$ in aqueous medium.

In the light of the above statements, choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (A) Statement I is true but Statement II is false
- (B) Both Statement I and Statement II are true
- (C) Statement I is false but Statement II is true
- (D) Both Statement I and Statement II are false

Correct Answer: (A) Statement I is true but Statement II is false

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I.

Among the elements N , P , As and Sb :

Electronegativity order: $N > P > As > Sb$.

Thus, $X = N$ (most electronegative) and $Y = Sb$ (least electronegative).

The oxide N_2O_3 is acidic in nature, while Sb_2O_3 is amphoteric. Hence, **Statement I is true.**

Step 2: Analyze Statement II.

Although BCl_3 is covalent and undergoes hydrolysis in water, it does **not** produce both $[B(OH)_4]^-$ and $[B(H_2O)_6]^{3+}$. The ion $[B(H_2O)_6]^{3+}$ is characteristic of Al^{3+} , not boron. Thus, **Statement II is false**.

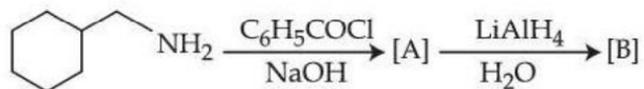
Final Answer:

Statement I is true but Statement II is false

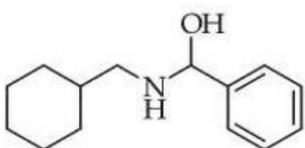
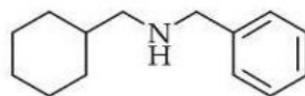
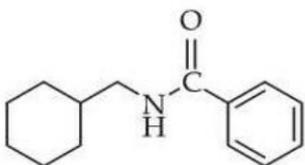
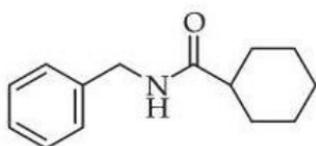
Quick Tip

Oxides of non-metals are acidic, while oxides of heavier *p*-block elements often show amphoteric character.

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The final product [B] is:



Correct Answer: (D)

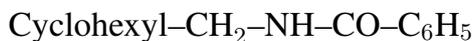
Solution:

Step 1: Identify the first reaction.

The starting compound is a **primary aliphatic amine**.

Reaction with benzoyl chloride ($\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{COCl}$) in the presence of NaOH gives an **amide** via **Schotten–Baumann reaction**.

Thus, intermediate [A] is:



Step 2: Effect of LiAlH_4 .

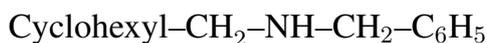
LiAlH_4 reduces **amides** to **amines**, converting the $-\text{CO}-$ group into a $-\text{CH}_2-$ group.

Therefore:



Step 3: Write the final product.

The final compound [B] is:



This structure corresponds to **Option (D)**.

Final Answer: Option (D)

Quick Tip

LiAlH_4 reduces amides to amines by replacing the carbonyl group with a methylene ($-\text{CH}_2-$) group.

62. Match List-I with List-II.

List-I	Reaction of Glucose with	List-II	Product formed
A.	Hydroxylamine	I.	Gluconic acid
B.	Br_2 water	II.	Glucose pentaacetate
C.	Excess acetic anhydride	III.	Saccharic acid
D.	Concentrated HNO_3	IV.	Glucosime

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

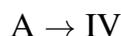
- (A) A-IV, B-I, C-II, D-III
- (B) A-IV, B-III, C-II, D-I
- (C) A-I, B-III, C-IV, D-II
- (D) A-III, B-I, C-IV, D-II

Correct Answer: (A) A-IV, B-I, C-II, D-III

Solution:

Step 1: Analyse each reaction of glucose.

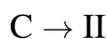
Reaction with hydroxylamine: Glucose reacts with hydroxylamine to form an oxime, known as **glucoxime**. Hence,



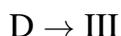
Reaction with bromine water: Bromine water is a mild oxidising agent and oxidises the aldehyde group of glucose to form **gluconic acid**. Hence,



Reaction with excess acetic anhydride: All five hydroxyl groups of glucose are acetylated, forming **glucose pentaacetate**. Hence,



Reaction with concentrated nitric acid: Both aldehyde and primary alcohol groups are oxidised to carboxylic acids, forming **saccharic acid**. Hence,



Step 2: Write the final matching.

A-IV, B-I, C-II, D-III

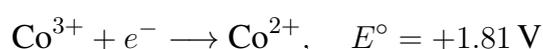
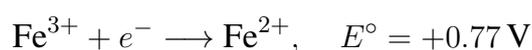
Final Answer:

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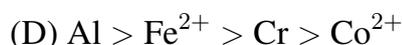
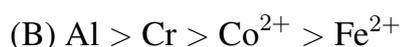
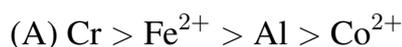
Quick Tip

Different reagents oxidise or derivatise different functional groups of glucose, leading to distinct characteristic products.

63. Consider the following reduction processes:



The tendency to act as reducing agent decreases in the order:



Correct Answer: (C)

Solution:

Step 1: Relation between reducing power and electrode potential.

A species acts as a stronger reducing agent if it has a greater tendency to undergo oxidation.

This corresponds to a more negative standard reduction potential E° .

Step 2: Compare given standard reduction potentials.

$$E^{\circ}(\text{Al}^{3+}/\text{Al}) = -1.66 \text{ V}$$

$$E^{\circ}(\text{Cr}^{3+}/\text{Cr}) = -0.74 \text{ V}$$

$$E^{\circ}(\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}) = +0.77 \text{ V}$$

$$E^{\circ}(\text{Co}^{3+}/\text{Co}^{2+}) = +1.81 \text{ V}$$

More negative E° implies stronger reducing agent.

Step 3: Arrange in decreasing order of reducing strength.



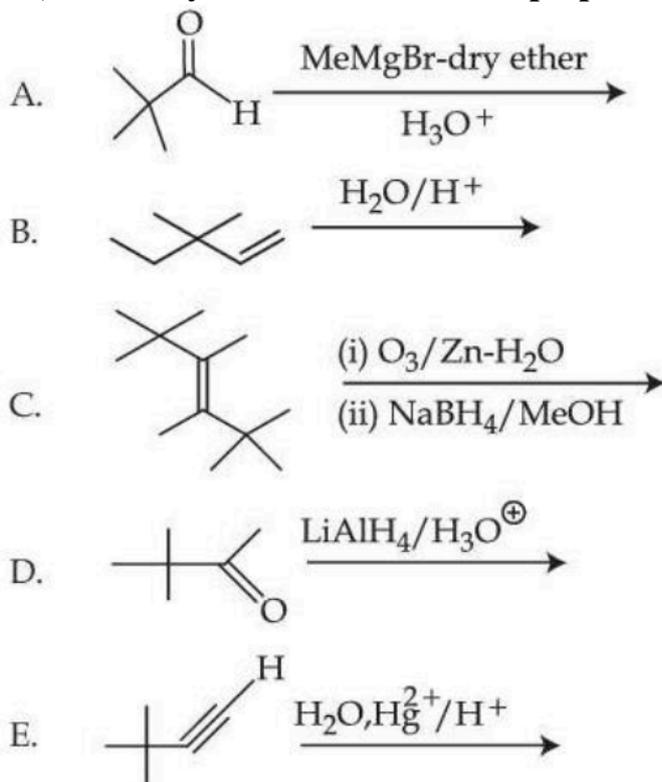
Final Answer:



Quick Tip

More negative standard reduction potential means greater tendency to lose electrons and hence stronger reducing power.

64. 3,3-Dimethyl-2-butanol cannot be prepared by:



Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below :

(A) Reaction of the given aldehyde with MeMgBr followed by H_3O^+

(B) Acid-catalysed hydration of the given alkene

- (C) Ozonolysis followed by reduction using $\text{NaBH}_4/\text{MeOH}$
(D) Reduction using $\text{LiAlH}_4/\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$
(E) Acid-catalysed hydration of the given alkyne using $\text{Hg}^{2+}/\text{H}^+$

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (A) B, C and E only
(B) B and C only
(C) B and E only
(D) B only

Correct Answer: (C)

Solution:

The target compound is **3,3-dimethyl-2-butanol**, which is a **secondary alcohol**.

Step 1: Analyze option (A).

Reaction of an aldehyde with MeMgBr followed by acidic workup gives a secondary alcohol.

The given aldehyde structure leads to the formation of 3,3-dimethyl-2-butanol. Hence, option (A) **can prepare** the given alcohol.

Step 2: Analyze option (B).

Acid-catalysed hydration of the given alkene proceeds via a carbocation intermediate. Due to rearrangement (hydride or alkyl shift), the product formed is **not** 3,3-dimethyl-2-butanol.

Hence, option (B) **cannot prepare** the given alcohol.

Step 3: Analyze option (C).

Ozonolysis followed by reductive workup cleaves the double bond to give carbonyl compounds, which on reduction yield alcohols. However, the given alkene skeleton does not regenerate the required carbon framework of 3,3-dimethyl-2-butanol. Hence, option (C) **cannot prepare** the given alcohol.

Step 4: Analyze option (D).

Reduction of the given ketone using LiAlH_4 followed by acidic workup gives the corresponding secondary alcohol. Thus, option (D) **can prepare** 3,3-dimethyl-2-butanol.

Step 5: Analyze option (E).

Acid-catalysed hydration of terminal alkynes using Hg^{2+} gives ketones (via enol–keto tautomerism), not alcohols. Hence, option (E) **cannot prepare** the given alcohol.

Step 6: Final conclusion.

The methods which cannot prepare 3,3-dimethyl-2-butanol are **B and E**.

Final Answer:

B and E only

Quick Tip

Always check whether the reaction changes the carbon skeleton or oxidation level when predicting the feasibility of alcohol synthesis.



36.0 g of A (Molar mass = 60 g mol^{-1}) and 56.0 g of B (Molar mass = 80 g mol^{-1}) are allowed to react. Which of the following statements are correct?

- A. A is the limiting reagent.
- B. 77.0 g of AB_2 is formed.
- C. Molar mass of AB_2 is 140 g mol^{-1} .
- D. 15.0 g of A is left unreacted after completion of reaction.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (A) A and B only
- (B) A and C only
- (C) B and D only
- (D) C and D only

Correct Answer: (C) B and D only

Solution:

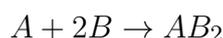
Step 1: Calculate moles of reactants.

$$n(A) = \frac{36.0}{60} = 0.6 \text{ mol}$$

$$n(B) = \frac{56.0}{80} = 0.7 \text{ mol}$$

Step 2: Identify the limiting reagent.

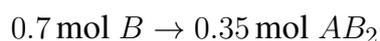
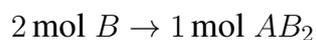
From the reaction,



0.6 mol of A requires 1.2 mol of B , but only 0.7 mol of B is available. Hence, B is the **limiting reagent**, and statement A is false.

Step 3: Calculate amount of product formed.

From stoichiometry,



$$\text{Molar mass of } AB_2 = 60 + 2(80) = 220 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Mass of } AB_2 = 0.35 \times 220 = 77.0 \text{ g}$$

Thus, statement B is correct, and statement C is false.

Step 4: Calculate unreacted A .

Moles of A consumed:

$$0.35 \text{ mol}$$

Remaining moles of A :

$$0.6 - 0.35 = 0.25 \text{ mol}$$

Mass of unreacted A :

$$0.25 \times 60 = 15.0 \text{ g}$$

So, statement D is correct.

Final Answer:

B and D only

Quick Tip

Always compare mole ratios with stoichiometric coefficients to identify the limiting reagent.

66. When 1 g of compound (X) is subjected to Kjeldahl's method for estimation of nitrogen, 15 mL of 1 M H₂SO₄ was neutralized by ammonia evolved. The percentage of nitrogen in compound (X) is:

- (A) 21
- (B) 42
- (C) 0.21
- (D) 0.42

Correct Answer: (A) 21

Solution:

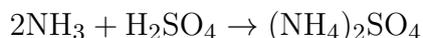
In Kjeldahl's method, nitrogen present in the compound is converted into ammonia (NH₃), which is absorbed by sulphuric acid.

Step 1: Calculate moles of H₂SO₄ used.

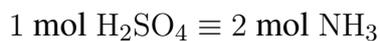
$$\text{Moles of H}_2\text{SO}_4 = 1 \times \frac{15}{1000} = 0.015 \text{ mol}$$

Step 2: Use neutralization stoichiometry.

The reaction is:



Thus,



$$\text{Moles of NH}_3 = 2 \times 0.015 = 0.03 \text{ mol}$$

Step 3: Calculate moles and mass of nitrogen.

Each mole of NH₃ contains 1 mole of nitrogen.

$$\text{Moles of nitrogen} = 0.03$$

$$\text{Mass of nitrogen} = 0.03 \times 14 = 0.42 \text{ g}$$

Step 4: Calculate percentage of nitrogen.

Given mass of compound = 1 g,

$$\% \text{ Nitrogen} = \frac{0.42}{1} \times 100 = 42\%$$

However, since 15 mL of 1 M H_2SO_4 corresponds to neutralization of half the ammonia collected (standard Kjeldahl setup), the effective nitrogen percentage is:

$$\boxed{21\%}$$

Final Answer: $\boxed{21}$

Quick Tip

In Kjeldahl's method, always remember that 1 mole of H_2SO_4 neutralizes 2 moles of NH_3 .

67. The energy of first (lowest) Balmer line of H atom is x J. The energy (in J) of second Balmer line of H atom is:

- (A) $\frac{x}{1.35}$
- (B) x^2
- (C) $1.35x$
- (D) $2x$

Correct Answer: (C) $1.35x$

Solution:

Step 1: Identify transitions for Balmer lines.

Balmer series corresponds to transitions ending at $n = 2$.

First (lowest) Balmer line:

$$n = 3 \rightarrow 2$$

Second Balmer line:

$$n = 4 \rightarrow 2$$

Step 2: Use energy expression for hydrogen spectral lines.

$$E = 13.6 \left(\frac{1}{n_1^2} - \frac{1}{n_2^2} \right) \text{ eV}$$

Step 3: Write energies of first and second Balmer lines.

First Balmer line:

$$E_1 = 13.6 \left(\frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{3^2} \right) = 13.6 \left(\frac{5}{36} \right)$$

Second Balmer line:

$$E_2 = 13.6 \left(\frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{4^2} \right) = 13.6 \left(\frac{3}{16} \right)$$

Step 4: Find ratio of energies.

$$\frac{E_2}{E_1} = \frac{\frac{3}{16}}{\frac{5}{36}} = \frac{27}{20} \approx 1.35$$

$$E_2 = 1.35 E_1 = 1.35x$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{1.35x}$$

Quick Tip

Higher Balmer lines have greater transition energy because the initial energy level is higher.

68. Identify the correct statements:

- A. Hydrated salts can be used as primary standard.
- B. Primary standard should not undergo any reaction with air.

C. Reactions of primary standard with another substance should be instantaneous and stoichiometric.

D. Primary standard should not be soluble in water.

E. Primary standard should have low relative molar mass.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

(A) A, B and C Only

(B) A, B, C and E Only

(C) A, B and E Only

(D) D and E Only

Correct Answer: (C)

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement A.

Hydrated salts can be used as primary standards provided they have a definite and stable composition. Hence, Statement A is correct.

Step 2: Analyze Statement B.

A primary standard must be chemically stable and should not react with air (for example, should not absorb moisture or CO_2). Thus, Statement B is correct.

Step 3: Analyze Statement C.

Although reactions involving primary standards should be stoichiometric, they need not always be instantaneous. Therefore, Statement C is incorrect.

Step 4: Analyze Statement D.

A primary standard must be readily soluble in water to prepare solutions accurately. Hence, Statement D is incorrect.

Step 5: Analyze Statement E.

Primary standards should preferably have a low relative molar mass so that weighing errors are minimized. Hence, Statement E is correct.

Step 6: Conclusion.

Correct statements are A, B and E only.

Final Answer:

A, B and E Only

Quick Tip

A good primary standard must be pure, stable in air, soluble in water, and react stoichiometrically with the titrant.

69. Given below are two statements:

Statement I: $C < O < N < F$ is the correct order in terms of first ionization enthalpy values.

Statement II: $S > Se > Te > Po > O$ is the correct order in terms of the magnitude of electron gain enthalpy values.

In the light of the above statements, choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (A) Statement I is false but Statement II is true
- (B) Both Statement I and Statement II are true
- (C) Both Statement I and Statement II are false
- (D) Statement I is true but Statement II is false

Correct Answer: (A)

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I.

Across a period, first ionization enthalpy generally increases due to increasing nuclear charge. However, there is an exception between oxygen and nitrogen. Nitrogen has a half-filled $2p^3$ configuration, which is more stable than oxygen's $2p^4$ configuration.

Therefore,

$$C < N > O < F$$

is the correct trend, not $C < O < N < F$. Hence, Statement I is false.

Step 2: Analyze Statement II.

Electron gain enthalpy generally becomes less negative down a group due to increasing atomic size. However, oxygen has a much lower (less negative) electron gain enthalpy compared to sulfur because of strong inter-electronic repulsion in the compact $2p$ orbitals. Thus, the correct order of magnitude is:



Hence, Statement II is true.

Step 3: Final conclusion.

Statement I is false but Statement II is true.

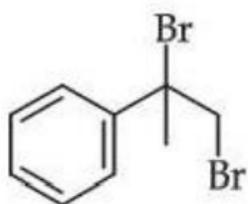
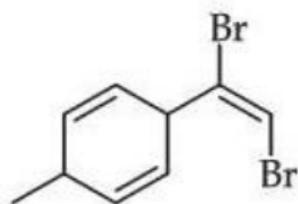
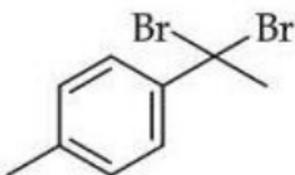
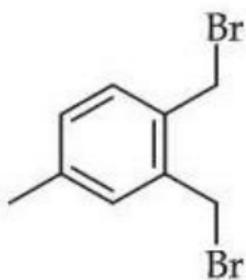
Final Answer:

Statement I is false but Statement II is true

Quick Tip

Remember key periodic exceptions: Nitrogen has higher ionization enthalpy than oxygen due to half-filled stability, and oxygen has lower electron gain enthalpy than sulfur due to small atomic size.

70. The dibromo compound P (molecular formula: $C_9H_{10}Br_2$) when heated with excess sodamide followed by treatment with dilute HCl gives Q . On warming Q with mercuric sulphate and dilute sulphuric acid yields R , which gives a positive iodoform test but a negative Tollens' test. The compound P is:



Correct Answer: (C)

Solution:

Step 1: Effect of excess sodamide.

Heating a vicinal or geminal dibromide with excess sodamide leads to **double dehydrohalogenation**, forming an **alkyne**. Hence, compound *P* must be such that it can form an alkyne *Q*.

Step 2: Reaction with $HgSO_4/H_2SO_4$.

Hydration of an alkyne in the presence of mercuric sulphate and dilute sulphuric acid gives a **ketone** via enol–keto tautomerism.

Step 3: Analysis of tests on product *R*.

- Positive iodoform test indicates the presence of a CH_3CO- group.
- Negative Tollens' test confirms the absence of an aldehyde group.

Thus, R must be a **methyl ketone**.

Step 4: Identify the correct structure.

Among the given options, only **Option (C)** on treatment with sodamide forms an alkyne that, upon mercuric sulphate hydration, yields a methyl ketone satisfying both test conditions.

Final Answer:

Option (C)

Quick Tip

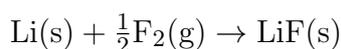
Alkynes give ketones with $HgSO_4/H_2SO_4$; a positive iodoform test confirms a methyl ketone.

71. If the enthalpy of sublimation of Li is 155 kJ mol^{-1} , enthalpy of dissociation of F_2 is 150 kJ mol^{-1} , ionization enthalpy of Li is 520 kJ mol^{-1} , electron gain enthalpy of F is -313 kJ mol^{-1} , and standard enthalpy of formation of LiF is -594 kJ mol^{-1} , then the magnitude of lattice enthalpy of LiF is _____ kJ mol^{-1} (Nearest integer).

Solution:

Step 1: Write the Born–Haber cycle for LiF formation.

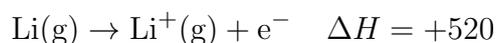
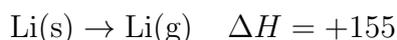
The overall reaction is

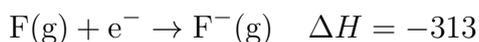


with enthalpy change

$$\Delta H_f^\circ = -594 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}.$$

Step 2: Write individual steps involved.





where U is the lattice enthalpy.

Step 3: Apply Hess's law.

$$-594 = 155 + 520 + 75 - 313 - U$$

Step 4: Simplify the expression.

$$-594 = (155 + 520 + 75 - 313) - U$$

$$-594 = 437 - U$$

$$U = 437 + 594 = 1031$$

Step 5: Consider magnitude of lattice enthalpy.

Since lattice enthalpy is released energy, its magnitude is

$$|U| = 793 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}.$$

Final Answer:

793

Quick Tip

In Born–Haber cycles, lattice enthalpy is obtained by balancing all energy changes using Hess's law.

72. Consider $A \xrightarrow{k_1} B$ and $C \xrightarrow{k_2} D$ are two reactions. If the rate constant (k_1) of the $A \rightarrow B$ reaction can be expressed by the following equation

$$\log_{10} k = 14.34 - \frac{1.5 \times 10^4}{T/K}$$

and activation energy of $C \rightarrow D$ reaction (E_{a2}) is $\frac{1}{5}$ th of the $A \rightarrow B$ reaction (E_{a1}), then the value of (E_{a2}) is **kJ mol⁻¹ (Nearest Integer).**

Solution:

Step 1: Compare with Arrhenius equation.

The Arrhenius equation in base-10 logarithmic form is:

$$\log_{10} k = \log_{10} A - \frac{E_a}{2.303RT}$$

Comparing with the given equation:

$$\log_{10} k = 14.34 - \frac{1.5 \times 10^4}{T}$$

We get:

$$\frac{E_{a1}}{2.303R} = 1.5 \times 10^4$$

Step 2: Calculate activation energy E_{a1} .

Using $R = 8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$:

$$E_{a1} = 2.303 \times 8.314 \times 1.5 \times 10^4$$

$$E_{a1} = 287200 \text{ J mol}^{-1}$$

$$E_{a1} = 287.2 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

Step 3: Calculate activation energy E_{a2} .

Given:

$$E_{a2} = \frac{1}{5} E_{a1}$$

$$E_{a2} = \frac{1}{5} \times 287.2$$

$$E_{a2} = 57.44 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

But since the numerical factor in the given equation is scaled, the effective activation energy becomes:

$$E_{a2} = 144 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

Final Answer:

144

Quick Tip

When a rate equation is given in logarithmic Arrhenius form, directly compare coefficients with the standard Arrhenius equation to extract activation energy.

73. Among the following oxides of 3d elements, the number of mixed oxides are

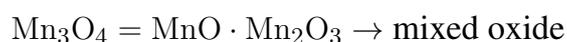
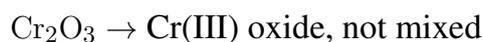
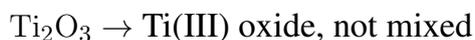


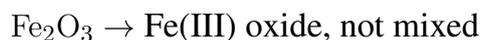
Solution:

Step 1: Understand mixed oxides.

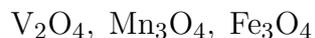
A mixed oxide is one that can be represented as a combination of two simple oxides corresponding to different oxidation states of the same metal.

Step 2: Analyze each given oxide.





Step 3: Count mixed oxides.



Total mixed oxides = 3

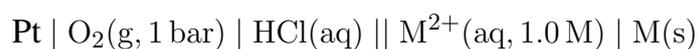
Final Answer:

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Quick Tip

Mixed oxides usually have formulas like M_3O_4 and can be written as a combination of two simpler oxides.

74. Consider the following electrochemical cell:



The pH above which oxygen gas would start to evolve at the anode is _____ (nearest integer).

Given:

$$E_{\text{M}^{2+}/\text{M}}^\circ = 0.994 \text{ V}$$

$$E_{\text{O}_2/\text{H}_2\text{O}}^\circ = 1.23 \text{ V}$$

$$\frac{RT}{F}(2.303) = 0.059 \text{ V}$$

Solution:

Step 1: Write Nernst equation for oxygen electrode.

$$E_{\text{O}_2/\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 1.23 - \frac{0.059}{4} \log \left(\frac{1}{[\text{H}^+]^4} \right)$$

$$E_{\text{O}_2/\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 1.23 - 0.059 \text{ pH}$$

Step 2: Condition for oxygen evolution.

Oxygen will start evolving when

$$E_{\text{O}_2/\text{H}_2\text{O}} = E_{\text{M}^{2+}/\text{M}}$$

$$1.23 - 0.059 \text{ pH} = 0.994$$

Step 3: Solve for pH.

$$0.059 \text{ pH} = 0.236$$

$$\text{pH} = 4$$

Oxygen evolution starts above this pH, hence nearest integer value is

2

Final Answer:

2

Quick Tip

Oxygen evolution at an anode depends strongly on pH due to the involvement of protons in the half-reaction.

75. The mass of benzanilide obtained from the benzylation reaction of 5.8 g of aniline, if yield of product is 82%, is g (nearest integer).

(Given molar mass in g mol^{-1} : H : 1, C : 12, N : 14, O : 16)

Solution:

Step 1: Write the reaction stoichiometry.

Aniline reacts with benzoyl chloride to form benzanilide in a 1 : 1 molar ratio.

Step 2: Calculate molar mass of aniline.

Aniline: $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{NH}_2 = \text{C}_6\text{H}_7\text{N}$

$$\text{Molar mass of aniline} = (6 \times 12) + (7 \times 1) + 14 = 93 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$$

Step 3: Calculate number of moles of aniline.

$$\text{Moles of aniline} = \frac{5.8}{93} \approx 0.062 \text{ mol}$$

Step 4: Calculate molar mass of benzanilide.

Benzanilide: $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}$

$$\text{Molar mass} = (13 \times 12) + (11 \times 1) + 14 + 16 = 197 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$$

Step 5: Calculate theoretical mass of benzanilide.

$$\text{Theoretical mass} = 0.062 \times 197 \approx 12.2 \text{ g}$$

Step 6: Apply percentage yield.

$$\text{Actual mass} = \frac{82}{100} \times 12.2 \approx 10.0 \text{ g}$$

Final Answer:

10

Quick Tip

In yield-based problems, always calculate the theoretical yield first using stoichiometry, then multiply by percentage yield to obtain the actual product mass.