

**2024**  
**M.Sc.**  
**Second Semester**  
CORE – 08  
**CHEMISTRY**  
*Course Code: MCHC 2.41*  
(Physical Chemistry - III)

*Total Mark: 70*  
*Time: 3 hours*

*Pass Mark: 28*

*Answer five questions, taking one from each unit.*

**UNIT-I**

1. (a) Discuss the collision theory of bimolecular reactions. 5  
(b) Explain the statistical mechanical treatment of the rate constant for gaseous reactions. 6  
(c) Using an appropriate diagram discuss the role of potential energy surfaces in reaction kinetics. 3
2. (a) Discuss the single sphere model for activated complex. 4  
(b) Using the CTST explain the equilibrium hypothesis. 5  
(c) Explain the phenomenon of collision in solution. 5

**UNIT-II**

3. (a) How is Arrhenius intermediate concept applied to a reaction involving catalyst and substrate? 6  
(b) What is enzymes catalysis? Discuss the expression on the influence of substrate concentration on the reaction rate. 6  
(c) Explain briefly the general catalytic mechanism. 2
4. (a) Write a note on acid-base catalysis. 4  
(b) Explain the salt effects in acid-base catalysis. 4  
(c) Discuss the reaction between acetone and iodine. 4  
(d) What are single and double intermediates? Explain. 2

### UNIT-III

5. (a) Describe the Lindemann theory of unimolecular reactions. 5  
(b) Explain the Rice Ramsperger and Kassel treatment for unimolecular reactions. 5  
(c) Write notes on intramolecular energy transfer. 4
6. (a) Give the mechanism of combination and disproportionation reactions. 5  
(b) Write short notes on the following:  $2 \times 2 = 4$   
(i) Decomposition of ions  
(ii) Influence of foreign gases  
(c) Explain the mechanisms of atom and radical combinations. 5

### UNIT-IV

7. (a) Explain the pyrolysis of ethane. 5  
(b) What are explosive reactions? Discuss the combustion between hydrogen and oxygen. 5  
(c) Write a note on free radical mechanism. 4
8. (a) Discuss the polymerization reactions base on molecular mechanisms. 6  
(b) What are chain reactions? Explain the reaction between hydrogen and chlorine under thermal reaction. 5  
(c) Give a brief account of anionic polymerization. 3

### UNIT-V

9. (a) Define the term tacticity. Write short notes on the following:  $1+3=4$   
(i) Atactic polymers  
(ii) Syndiotactic polymers  
(iii) Isotactic polymers  
(b) Equal masses of polymer molecules with  $M_1 = 25,000$  and  $M_2 = 500,000$  are mixed. Calculate number and mass average molecular mass of the polymer. 4  
(c) With a neat diagram show how the molar masses of a polymer molecule is determined using viscometry method. 6

10. (a) Explain the two types of polymers based on their polymerization.  
Give examples. 5
- (b) Discuss the kinetics of cationic polymerization. 5
- (c) Explain the calculation of average dimensions of various chain structures. 4
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