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B.Tech Degree S2 (S) / S1 (Challenge Course) Examination December 2025 / January 2026 (2024 Scheme)

Course Code: GCCYT122

Course Name: CHEMISTRY FOR PHYSICAL SCIENCE

Max. Marks: 60

Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes

PART A

(Answer all questions. Each question carries 3 marks)

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| 1 | What is green hydrogen? Give any two characteristics of it. | CO 1 | (3) |
| 2 | What are the differences in the structure of graphene, carbon nanotube, and fullerene? | CO 1 | (3) |
| 3 | A Zn rod is dipped in H_2SO_4 and CuSO_4 solutions in two separate beakers. In which of these beakers displacement reaction will occur? Justify. Given $E^\circ_{\text{H}^+/\text{H}_2} = +0.0 \text{ V}$, $E^\circ_{\text{Cu}^+/\text{Cu}} = +0.34 \text{ V}$, and $E^\circ_{\text{Zn}^{2+}/\text{Zn}} = -0.76 \text{ V}$ | CO 2 | (3) |
| 4 | What is Galvanic Series? How is it useful in predicting the corrosion behavior of metals and alloys? | CO 2 | (3) |
| 5 | A 0.05 M dye solution shows a transmittance of 0.4 at 570 nm; while a test solution of the same dye shows a transmittance of 0.6 under the same conditions. Find the concentration of the test solution. | CO 3 | (3) |
| 6 | What are the various vibrational modes possible for CO_2 ? Which of them are IR active? | CO 3 | (3) |
| 7 | What is temporary hardness of water? How this can be removed? Explain the chemistry behind it. | CO 4 | (3) |
| 8 | What is ozone depletion? How oxides of nitrogen causes ozone depletion? | CO 4 | (3) |

PART B

(Answer any one full question from each module, each question carries 9 marks)

Module -1

- 9 a) Define (i) Flash point, (ii) cloud point, (iii) viscosity index, and (iii) Aniline point. Give the significance of these properties. CO 1 (6)

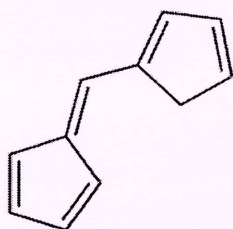
- b) Explain chemical reduction method for the synthesis of nanomaterial with a suitable example? CO 1 (3)
- 10 a) Differentiate between high calorific value and low calorific value. Calculate the HCV and LCV of Pentane (C_5H_{12}). CO 1 (6)
- b) What are the differences between conducting polymers with conjugation and doped conducting polymer? CO 1 (3)

Module -2

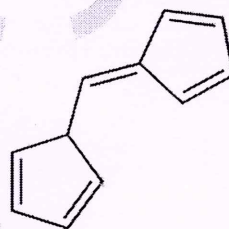
- 11 a) What are the differences between primary and secondary reference electrodes? Explain with suitable examples. CO 2 (6)
- b) What is standard electrode potential? Explain its significance in electrochemistry. CO 2 (3)
- 12 a) Describe the construction and working of a lithium-ion battery. Give any two advantages of it? CO 2 (6)
- b) Explain the mechanism of hydrogen evolution corrosion in alkaline medium. CO 2 (3)

Module -3

- 13 a) What are the differences in the working principle of Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) and differential thermal analysis (DTA)? Draw the TGA and DTA of calcium oxalate monohydrate in inert atmosphere. CO 3 (6)
- b) How is ortho-hydroxy benzaldehyde and para-hydroxy benzaldehyde distinguished using IR spectroscopy? CO 3 (3)
- 14 a) Which of the following molecules absorb at higher wavelength in the UV – visible spectrum? Explain. CO 3 (3)



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B

- b) What is the role of carrier gas in gas chromatography? Give two examples of commonly used carrier gases. CO 3 (3)

- c) What is the working principle of scanning electron microscopy (SEM)? Give any two applications of it. CO 3 (3)

Module -4

- 15 a) What is reverse osmosis (RO)? State and explain the principle behind it. CO 4 (3)
- b) Define Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD). How does it differ from BOD? CO 4 (3)
- c) What is disinfection? Explain disinfection by chlorination. CO 4 (3)
- 16 a) A hard water sample contains $\text{Ca}^{2+} = 45 \text{ ppm}$, $\text{Mg}^{2+} = 28 \text{ ppm}$, $\text{Na}^+ = 54 \text{ ppm}$, and $\text{HCO}_3^- = 148 \text{ ppm}$. Calculate the temporary, permanent and total hardness of this sample. CO 4 (3)
- b) How does segregation at source improve the efficiency of waste management systems? CO 4 (3)
- c) Describe the UASB (Upflow Anaerobic Sludge Blanket) process. CO 4 (3)
