

## Unit

## 9

COORDINATION  
COMPOUNDS

## I. Multiple Choice Questions (Type-I)

- Which of the following complexes formed by  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  ions is most stable?
  - $\text{Cu}^{2+} + 4\text{NH}_3 \rightleftharpoons [\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4]^{2+}$ ,  $\log K = 11.6$
  - $\text{Cu}^{2+} + 4\text{CN}^- \rightleftharpoons [\text{Cu}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ ,  $\log K = 27.3$
  - $\text{Cu}^{2+} + 2\text{en} \rightleftharpoons [\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2]^{2+}$ ,  $\log K = 15.4$
  - $\text{Cu}^{2+} + 4\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons [\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]^{2+}$ ,  $\log K = 8.9$
- The colour of the coordination compounds depends on the crystal field splitting. What will be the correct order of absorption of wavelength of light in the visible region, for the complexes,  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$ ,  $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$ ,  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$ 
  - $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-} > [\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+} > [\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$
  - $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+} > [\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} > [\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$
  - $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} > [\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+} > [\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$
  - $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-} > [\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+} > [\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$
- When 0.1 mol  $\text{CoCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{NH}_3$  is treated with excess of  $\text{AgNO}_3$ , 0.2 mol of  $\text{AgCl}$  are obtained. The conductivity of solution will correspond to
  - 1:3 electrolyte
  - 1:2 electrolyte
  - 1:1 electrolyte
  - 3:1 electrolyte

4. When 1 mol  $\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is treated with excess of  $\text{AgNO}_3$ , 3 mol of  $\text{AgCl}$  are obtained. The formula of the complex is :
- $[\text{CrCl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3] \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$
  - $[\text{CrCl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]\text{Cl} \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$
  - $[\text{CrCl}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5]\text{Cl}_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$
  - $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]\text{Cl}_3$
5. The correct IUPAC name of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  is
- Diamminedichloridoplatinum (II)
  - Diamminedichloridoplatinum (IV)
  - Diamminedichloridoplatinum (0)
  - Dichloridodiammineplatinum (IV)
6. The stabilisation of coordination compounds due to chelation is called the chelate effect. Which of the following is the most stable complex species?
- $[\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_5]$
  - $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$
  - $[\text{Fe}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3]^{3-}$
  - $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$
7. Indicate the complex ion which shows geometrical isomerism.
- $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4\text{Cl}_2]^+$
  - $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_3\text{Cl}]$
  - $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$
  - $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_2(\text{NC})]^{2-}$
8. The CFSE for octahedral  $[\text{CoCl}_6]^{4-}$  is  $18,000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The CFSE for tetrahedral  $[\text{CoCl}_4]^{2-}$  will be
- $18,000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
  - $16,000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
  - $8,000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
  - $20,000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
9. Due to the presence of ambidentate ligands coordination compounds show isomerism. Palladium complexes of the type  $[\text{Pd}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2(\text{SCN})_2]$  and  $[\text{Pd}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2(\text{NCS})_2]$  are
- linkage isomers
  - coordination isomers
  - ionisation isomers
  - geometrical isomers
10. The compounds  $[\text{Co}(\text{SO}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_5]\text{Br}$  and  $[\text{Co}(\text{SO}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_5]\text{Cl}$  represent
- linkage isomerism
  - ionisation isomerism

- (iii) coordination isomerism
  - (iv) no isomerism
11. A chelating agent has two or more than two donor atoms to bind to a single metal ion. Which of the following is **not** a chelating agent?
- (i) thiosulphato
  - (ii) oxalato
  - (iii) glycinato
  - (iv) ethane-1,2-diamine
12. Which of the following species is **not** expected to be a ligand?
- (i) NO
  - (ii)  $\text{NH}_4^+$
  - (iii)  $\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$
  - (iv) CO
13. What kind of isomerism exists between  $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]\text{Cl}_3$  (violet) and  $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5\text{Cl}]\text{Cl}_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$  (greyish-green)?
- (i) linkage isomerism
  - (ii) solvate isomerism
  - (iii) ionisation isomerism
  - (iv) coordination isomerism
14. IUPAC name of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}(\text{NO}_2)]$  is :
- (i) Platinum diamminechloronitrite
  - (ii) Chloronitrito-N-ammineplatinum (II)
  - (iii) Diamminechloridonitrito-N-platinum (II)
  - (iv) Diamminechloronitrito-N-platinate (II)

## II. Multiple Choice Questions (Type-II)

**Note :** In the following questions two or more options may be correct.

15. Atomic number of Mn, Fe and Co are 25, 26 and 27 respectively. Which of the following inner orbital octahedral complex ions are diamagnetic?
- (i)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$
  - (ii)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$
  - (iii)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$
  - (iv)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$
16. Atomic number of Mn, Fe, Co and Ni are 25, 26, 27 and 28 respectively. Which of the following outer orbital octahedral complexes have same number of unpaired electrons?

- (i)  $[\text{MnCl}_6]^{3-}$   
 (ii)  $[\text{FeF}_6]^{3-}$   
 (iii)  $[\text{CoF}_6]^{3-}$   
 (iv)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{2+}$
17. Which of the following options are correct for  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  complex?  
 (i)  $d^2sp^3$  hybridisation  
 (ii)  $sp^3d^2$  hybridisation  
 (iii) paramagnetic  
 (iv) diamagnetic
18. An aqueous pink solution of cobalt(II) chloride changes to deep blue on addition of excess of HCl. This is because \_\_\_\_\_  
 (i)  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  is transformed into  $[\text{CoCl}_6]^{4-}$   
 (ii)  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$  is transformed into  $[\text{CoCl}_4]^{2-}$   
 (iii) tetrahedral complexes have smaller crystal field splitting than octahedral complexes.  
 (iv) tetrahedral complexes have larger crystal field splitting than octahedral complex.
19. Which of the following complexes are homoleptic?  
 (i)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$   
 (ii)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Cl}_2]^+$   
 (iii)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$   
 (iv)  $[\text{Ni}(\text{NH}_3)_3\text{Cl}_2]$
20. Which of the following complexes are heteroleptic?  
 (i)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$   
 (ii)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Cl}_2]^+$   
 (iii)  $[\text{Mn}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$   
 (iv)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Cl}_2]$
21. Identify the optically active compounds from the following :  
 (i)  $[\text{Co}(\text{en})_3]^{3+}$   
 (ii) *trans*- $[\text{Co}(\text{en})_2\text{Cl}_2]^+$   
 (iii) *cis*- $[\text{Co}(\text{en})_2\text{Cl}_2]^+$   
 (iv)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{Cl}]$
22. Identify the correct statements for the behaviour of ethane-1, 2-diamine as a ligand.  
 (i) It is a neutral ligand.  
 (ii) It is a didentate ligand.

- (iii) It is a chelating ligand.
  - (iv) It is a unidentate ligand.
23. Which of the following complexes show linkage isomerism?
- (i)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5(\text{NO}_2)]^{3+}$
  - (ii)  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5\text{CO}]^{2+}$
  - (iii)  $[\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{SCN}]^{2+}$
  - (iv)  $[\text{Fe}(\text{en})_2\text{Cl}_2]^+$

### III. Short Answer Type

24. Arrange the following complexes in the increasing order of conductivity of their solution:  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_3\text{Cl}_3]$ ,  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Cl}_2]\text{Cl}$ ,  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{Cl}]\text{Cl}_2$ ,  $[\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{Cl}]\text{Cl}_2$ .
25. A coordination compound  $\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  precipitates silver chloride when treated with silver nitrate. The molar conductance of its solution corresponds to a total of two ions. Write structural formula of the compound and name it.
26. A complex of the type  $[\text{M}(\text{AA})_2\text{X}_2]^{n+}$  is known to be optically active. What does this indicate about the structure of the complex? Give one example of such complex.
27. Magnetic moment of  $[\text{MnCl}_4]^{2-}$  is 5.92 BM. Explain giving reason.
28. On the basis of crystal field theory explain why  $\text{Co}(\text{III})$  forms paramagnetic octahedral complex with weak field ligands whereas it forms diamagnetic octahedral complex with strong field ligands.
29. Why are low spin tetrahedral complexes not formed?
30. Give the electronic configuration of the following complexes on the basis of Crystal Field Splitting theory.  
 $[\text{CoF}_6]^{3-}$ ,  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$  and  $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{2+}$ .
31. Explain why  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$  has magnetic moment value of 5.92 BM whereas  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$  has a value of only 1.74 BM.
32. Arrange following complex ions in increasing order of crystal field splitting energy ( $\Delta_o$ ):  
 $[\text{Cr}(\text{Cl})_6]^{3-}$ ,  $[\text{Cr}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$ ,  $[\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$ .
33. Why do compounds having similar geometry have different magnetic moment?
34.  $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is blue in colour while  $\text{CuSO}_4$  is colourless. Why?
35. Name the type of isomerism when ambidentate ligands are attached to central metal ion. Give two examples of ambidentate ligands.