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**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
(MMUST)**

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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

FOR THE DIPLOMA

IN

**CIVIL ENGINEERING, ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS
ENGINEERING AND WATER TECHNOLOGY**

COURSE CODE: DCE 053

COURSE TITLE: CHEMISTRY

DATE: FRIDAY 8TH FEBRUARY 2019 TIME: 9.00AM – 11.00AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Answer **ALL** the Questions in both **SECTIONS**
2. Marks for each question are indicated in the parenthesis.
3. Examination duration is **2 Hours**

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SECTION A – (40 MARKS)

Question One

a.) Define the following terms:

- i. Alloy (2 Marks)
- ii. Metallurgy (2 Marks)
- iii. Polymerization (2 Marks)

b). Describe the kinetic theory of gases (4 Marks)

Question Two

a) A voltaic cell is constructed in that one electrode compartment consists of a Cadmium strip placed in a solution of $\text{Cd}(\text{NO}_3)_2$, and the other has a nickel strip placed in a solution of NiSO_4 the overall reaction is ;



- i. Write the half reactions that occur in the two electrode compartments. (3 Marks)
- ii. Which electrode is the anode and which is the cathode. (2 Marks)
- iii. Indicate the signs of the electrodes (2 Marks)

b) Draw the structural formula of the following compounds

- i. 3 methylpent-2-ene (1 Mark)
- ii. 2 methylbut-1-ene (1 Mark)
- iii. Cyclopentane (1 Mark)
- iv. 3,3-dimethylbut-1-ene (1 Mark)
- v. Using chemical test, state how you would distinguish between $\text{CH}_2=\text{CH}_2$ and C_2H_6 (2 Marks)

a) The grid below is part of the periodic table with elements A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H. Use it to answer the questions that follow.

I	II		III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII
				A		B	C	
D			E	F			G	
		K					H	

- i. Which is the most reactive non-metallic element? (1 Mark)
- ii. Write down the electronic configuration of elements A, D,G and H (4 Marks)
- iii. Write the formula of the compound formed when A reacts with B (1 Mark)
- iv. Name the bond type in the compound formed above (1 Mark)
- v. What is the name given to the group of compounds where C, G and H belong? (1 Mark)

- vi. The melting points of elements F and G are 1410°C and -110°C respectively. In terms of structure and bonding, explain this large difference. (3 Marks)

c) A compound of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen contains 40% carbon, 6.67% hydrogen and the rest oxygen. Determine its

- i. Simplest molecular formula (3 Marks)

- ii. Molecular formula if its relative molecular mass is 180 (3 Marks)

Take; (C=12; H=1; O=16)

SECTION B - (30 MARKS)

Answer all Questions

Question Three

Calculate each of the following quantities for an ideal gas;

- a) The volume of the gas in litres if 1.57 mol has a pressure of 0.86 atm at a temperature of -12°C . (3 Marks)
- b) The absolute temperature of the gas at which 6.79×10^{-2} mols occupies 164 ml at 693 torr. (3 Marks)
- c) The pressure in atm, if 8.25×10^{-2} mol occupies 255 ml at 115°C (3 Marks)
- d) The quantity of gas in moles, if 5.94L at 35°C has a pressure of 11.25 Kpa. (3 Marks)
- ii). Large amounts of nitrogen gas are used in the manufacture of ammonia principally for use in fertilizers. Suppose 80kg of N_2 is stored in a 1000 L metal cylinder at 300°C . Calculate the pressure of the gas assuming ideal gas behavior? (3 Marks)

Question Four

- a) Describe the extraction process of iron from its ore with the aid of balanced chemical equations (7 Marks)
- b) Using a flowchart, describe the treatment process for waste water (8 Marks)