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Charge of electron, $e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} C$ Mass of electron, $m_e = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} kg$ Planck's constant, $h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} Js$ Speed of light, $c = 3.0 \times 10^8 ms^{-1}$ Avogadro constant, $N_A = 6.022 \times 10^{23} mol^{-1}$ Faraday constant $F = 96500 C mol^{-1}$ Molar gas constant, $R = 0.082 L atm mol^{-1} K^{-1}$ $= 8.314 J mol^{-1} K^{-1}$

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When 2-Methylcyclopentanone is treated with but-3-en-2-one under alkaline condition followed by 1. heating gives the major product 'X'.



3.Heat

This 'X' is:









2. Consider the following chemical reaction



3. Hydrazine, KOH, heat

The major product 'Z' formed in the reaction is:



3. Consider the set of the following reactions



The final major product 'Q' is:



4. The following product 'P' given below is obtained by Aldol condensation of ...



product 'P'

- (a) 2 moles of dibenzyl ketone, (PhCH₂)₂CO
- (b) 1 mole of dibenzyl ketone, $(PhCH_2)_2CO$ and 1 mole of acetone CH_3COCH_3
- (c) 1 mole of dibenzyl ketone, (PhCH₂)₂CO and 1 mole of benzil (PhCOCOPh)

(d) 2 moles of benzophenone, PhCOPh.

5. The structures of 'P' and 'Q' formed in the following reactions are :



- 6. An amount of 0.45 g of an organic compound X containing C, H and N on combustion produces 1.1 g of CO₂ and 0.3 g of water. Empirical formula of X is:
 (a) CH₂N₂
 (b) C₂H₃N
 (c) C₃H₄N
 (d) C₂H₅N
- 7. Heptane-2,6-dione was treated with aqueous alkali and heated. The major product obtained is:
 (a) 2, 3-dimethylcyclohex-1-ene-2-one
 (b) 2, 3-dimethylcyclohex-1-ene-3-one
 (c) 2, 3-dimethylcyclohex-2-ene-1-one
 (d) 3-methylcyclohex-2-enone

8. The number of chiral carbon(s) in Sphingomyelin, an important constituent of a class of lipids with the following structure is:



9. In the following ion the strongest hydrogen bond donor site is:



10. The double bond equivalents for the compounds with the following molecular formulae are respectively:

(i) $C_{13}H_9BrO$	(ii) C	$_{3}H_{7}N$	(iii) $C_{10}H_7Cl$
(a) 1, 5, 6	(b) 5, 6, 1	(c) 9, 1, 7	(d) 7, 9, 1

11. Match the following in which acetaldehyde is converted into different compounds (Column 1) using specific reagents (Column 2).

Column 1	Column 2
i. CH ₃ CH=CHCHO	1. EtMgI in dry ether, H_3O^+ , acid dichromate
ii. CH ₃ COCl	2. Dilute NaOH/Heat
iii. CHI ₃	3. Acid dichromate, PCl ₅
iv. CH ₃ COEt	4. I ₂ , NaOH

(a) i - 1, ii - 3, iii - 4, iv - 2 (c) i - 2, ii - 4, iii - 1, iv - 3

(b) i - 4, ii - 3, iii - 2, iv - 1 (d) i - 2, ii - 3, iii - 4, iv - 1

12. The increasing order of stability of the following free radicals is:



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- 13. A closed vessel with rigid walls contains 1.0 mol of component M (vapour pressure p_M^*): 0.9 mol liquid and 0.1 mol vapor. 0.1 mol of component N (vapour pressure p_N^*) is added slowly to maintain equilibrium conditions. Assume M and N form an ideal solution. The total pressure at the end of the addition will:
 - (a) decrease if $p_M^* < p_N^*$
 - (b) decrease irrespective of relation between p_M^* and p_N^*
 - (c) increase if $p_M^* < p_N^*$
 - (d) increase irrespective of relation between p_M^* and p_N^*
- 14. A scuba diver accidentally surfaces from a depth of 100 feet in water (pressure = 4 atm). The solubility of nitrogen from air (78% N₂ in air) in water in standard conditions is 15 mg L⁻¹ at 37 °C. The volume of N₂ gas released into the bloodstream of the diver from each litre of blood is:
 - (Assume blood to behave similarly as water)
 - (a) 14 mL (b) 41 mL (c) 55 mL (d) 12 mL
- 15. A 35 degree drop in temperature from 25 °C causes a 8.2-fold decrease in the rate of a first order reaction. If the half-life of the reaction is 3.2 h, what will be the half-life at a temperature of -10°C?.
 (a) 12.8 h
 (b) 19.8 h
 (c) 26.2 h
 (d) 23.4 min
- 16. An ideal-gas reaction equilibrium is represented as $A + B \rightleftharpoons C + D$. Considering, the fact that all components are ideal and that only A and B are present initially, which of the following options is **ALWAYS true** at equilibrium? 'N' is the number of moles of the species.
 - (a) $N_{C} = N_{A}$ (b) $N_{C} + N_{D} = N_{A} + N_{B}$ (c) $N_{C} = N_{D}$ (d) $N_{A} = N_{B}$
- 17. Which of the following statements is correct?
 - (a) The addition of neon to a gas-phase reaction mixture at equilibrium at constant T and constant V does not alter the equilibrium.
 - (b) For a reversible reaction in a closed system with constant T and constant P if $\left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial \xi}\right)_{T,P} > 0$, the

reaction proceeds in the reverse direction. Here ' ξ ' is the extent of the reaction.

- (c) Complete dissociation of a weak electrolyte takes place in the limit of infinite dilution in aqueous solution.
- (d) The standard state of a species is always a pure substance.

18. Consider the following statements about the given mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} A + B & \rightarrow & C + D \\ & 2C & \rightarrow & F \\ F + B & \rightarrow & 2A + G \end{array}$$

(i) The overall reaction is $3B \rightarrow 2D + G$ (ii) A is a c(iii) C and F are intermediates.(iv) D and G

(ii) A is a catalyst and B is a reactant.(iv) D and G are products

The correct set of statements is

(a) (i) and (ii) only (b) (iii)

(c) (ii), (iii) and (iv) only

- (b) (iii) and (iv) only (d) All (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)
- 19. For one mole of a van der Waal gas with b = 0, the plot of *PV* versus 1/V at 298 K gives an intercept of 24.4 L atm K mol⁻¹ and slope of -2.5 L^2 atm mol⁻². The value of the van der Waal constant *a* is (a) 12.5 L^2 atm mol⁻² (b) 5.0 L^2 atm mol⁻² (c) 4.5 L^2 atm mol⁻² (d) 2.5 L^2 atm mol⁻²

20. The following three plots show the variation of conductance with mL of titrant added for three titrations of aqueous solutions of Na₂SO₄, (NH₄)₂SO₄, BaCl₂

Ba*'	CF	Na	SO ₄ ²⁻	$\mathbf{NH_4}^+$
127.3	76.4	50.1	160	73.6
Titratio	on An	alyte	Titra	ant
Α	Ba	Cl_2	(NH	$(_{4})_{2}SO_{4}$
В	Na	$_2SO_4$	BaC	and the second se
С	Ba	Cl ₂	Na ₂ S	O_4

Given: Molar ionic conductivities in S cm² mol⁻¹ are



Assign the plots to the respective titrations (a) I-A, II–B, III-C (b) I-B, II-C, III-A (c) I-C, II-A, III-B (d) I-B, II-A, III-C

- 21. 150 g of liquid water at 20°C is mixed with 40 g of ice at 0°C in a coffee cup calorimeter. The final temperature (in °C) reached will be (assuming no heat loss or gain by the surroundings) Latent heat of ice = 334.72 J/gSpecific heat of water = $4.2 \text{ J/g} \circ \text{C}$ (a) 1.35 (b) -1.35 (c) 0(d) 4
- 22. A chemical reaction, $X(g) + Y(g) \rightarrow Z(g)$ has following mechanism:

 $X_{(g)} + S_{(s)} \xrightarrow{k_1} [X-S] (s)$ $[X-S](s) + Y_{(g)} \xleftarrow{k_1} Z_{(g)} + S(s); [where (S) is solid catalyst]$ The overall equilibrium constant for above reaction can be represented as (a) $K = \frac{k1.k2}{k3.k4}$ (b) $K = \frac{k1.k3}{k2.k4}$ (c) $K = \frac{k4.k1}{k2.k3}$

(b) K = $\frac{k1.k3}{k2.k4}$ (d) K = $\frac{k4.k2}{k3.k1}$

- 23. Given below is a galvanic cell Cu (s) | Cu²⁺ (aq.) (x M) || Ag^{+} (aq.) (y M)|Ag (s) The possible condition for the galvanic cell to develop emf of 0.5 V is: [Given: $E_{Cu^{2+}/Cu}^{\circ} = 0.34V$ and $E_{Ag^{+}/Ag}^{\circ} = 0.8V$] (a) x = 0.015 and y = 0.3(b) x = 0.05 and y = 0.25(c) x = 0.04 and y = 0.2(d) x = 0.011 and y = 0.5
- 24. If 5A current is passed for an hour through one dm³ 0.5 M aqueous solution of sodium acetate, then the amount of ethane produced will be:
 - (a) 2.79 g (b) 4.2 g (c) 1.39 g (d) 5.58 g

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25. The results obtained when the finely divided metal powders of P, Q, R and S added to the aqueous solutions of different metal nitrates are given below:

Metal	Silver Nitrate	Lead Nitrate	Nickel Nitrate	Zinc Nitrate
Р	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	x
Q	V	\checkmark	\checkmark	
R	\checkmark	\checkmark	х	x
S	\checkmark	x	х	х

Displacement = $\sqrt{}$, No reaction = x

[Given: $E_{Ag^+/Ag}^{\circ} = 0.80 \text{ V}, E_{Zn^{2+}/Zn}^{\circ} = -0.76 \text{ V}, E_{Ni^{2+}/Ni}^{\circ} = -0.25 \text{ V}, E_{Pb^{2+}/Pb}^{\circ} = -0.13 \text{ V}$]

If these elements are to be arranged as per their positions in the electrochemical series, then which of the following will represent the above set of observations?

(a) P > Q > R > S (b) S > R > P > Q (c) Q > P > R > S (d) S > R > Q > P

26. The molarity of the commercially available concentrated sulphuric acid solution with label on the bottle is as shown below is:



27. Oxide ions with ions of metals A and B together, form a crystal. The oxide ions get organized into a cubic closed packed (ccp) lattice. In the oxide lattice, the metal ion A occupy 25% of the octahedral voids and the metal ion B occupies 50% of the tetrahedral voids. Oxidation states of A and B respectively are:

(a) + 3, +1

(b) +4, +1 (c) +1, +3

(d) + 2, +4

- 28. Consider the statements
 - (i) Energy of the electron in the fourth orbit of He⁺ ion is less than the energy of the electron in the fourth orbit of hydrogen atom.
 - (ii) Radius of the first orbit of He^+ ion is 0.529 Å.
 - (iii) In the Lyman series as the energy liberated during the transition increases then the distance between the spectral lines goes on decreasing.

(iv) If the radius of the 2nd orbit of Li²⁺ is x, the expected radius of the 3rd orbit of Be³⁺ is
$$\frac{9}{4}x$$
.

(v) In hydrogen atom, 3p and 3d orbitals are not degenerate orbitals.

The correct set of statements is

(a) (i) and (ii) (b) (i) and (iii) (c) (ii), (iii) and (iv) (d) (i), (iii) and (v)

29. The mixture of Al(OH)₃ and Fe(OH)₃ can be separated by:

(i) leaching method(iii) gravity separation method		(ii) froth floatation method(iv) magnetic separation method		
(a) (i) and (ii) only	(b) (ii) and (iii) only	(c) (i) and (iv) only	(d) (iii) and (iv) only	

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30. The anions giving white precipitate completely soluble in concentrated hydrochloric acid with barium chloride solution are:
 (i) subplite
 (ii) corbonate

(1) sulphite	(11) carbonate	(iii) sulphate	(iv) nitrate
(a) (i) and (ii) only	(b) (ii) and (iii) only	(c) (i) and iv only	(d) (i), (iii) and (iv) only

31. The substituted silanes which can produce dimeric and cyclic trimeric silicone polymers, respectively on hydrolysis are:

1. RSiCl ₃	2. R_2SiCl_2	3. R₃SiCl
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- (a) 1, 2 (b) 1, 3 (c) 3, 2 (d) 2, 3
- 32. Identify the correct pair of species with the correct description.
 - (a) $CH_4 \rightarrow {}^{-}CH_3$ -change in both hybridization and shape
 - (b) $NH_3 \rightarrow NH_4^+$ no change in shape and change in hybridization
 - (c) $BF_3 \rightarrow BF_4^-$ -change in both hybridization and shape
 - (d) $H_2O \rightarrow H_3O^+$ -no change in hybridization as well as shape
- 33. A student mixed three sodium salts accidentally. To identify these salts, some tests were performed and found that
 - i. When chromyl chloride test was performed, mixture of colored gases released and NaOH solution turned yellow and gave positive test.
 - ii. Brown ring test was positive but brown coloured gas was not intensified on adding copper turnings on heating the mixture with conc. H_2SO_4 .
 - iii. Aqueous solution of the mixture was treated with CHCl₃ and chlorine water. From this chloroform layer CHCl₃ test was performed. A violet organic layer was first visible then on more addition of concentrated HNO₃, it changed to orange yellow. The observations indicate the presence of:

(a) chloride, bromide and iodide	(b) nitrate, bromide and iodide
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- (c) fluoride, nitrate and iodide (d) chloride, nitrite and iodide
- 34. Total number of stereoisomers shown by the complex $[W(CO)_4 \{P(OR)_3\}SR']$ (where $R = -C_6H_5$; $R' = -CH_3$)
 - (a) Two (b) One (c) Three (d) Four
- 35. **A**, **B** and **C** are three complexes of chromium (III) with empirical formula H₁₂O₆Cl₃Cr. All the three complexes have water and chloride ions as ligands. When subjected to heating at 200°C the mass of A was found to be constant, while that of B suffered a loss of 6.7%. When 2.66 g of C was treated with AgNO₃ it gave 1.43 g of AgCl. The complexes B and C are respectively:

1.
$$[Cr(H_2O)_6Cl_3]$$

- 2. $[Cr(H_2O)_6]Cl_3$
- 3. $[Cr(H_2O)_5Cl]Cl_2.H_2O$
- 4. $[Cr(H_2O)_4Cl_2]Cl_2H_2O$
- 5. $[Cr(H_2O)_3Cl_3].3H_2O$
- (a) 3, 4 (b) 3, 5 (c) 1, 2 (d) 2, 5

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36. 126 g oxalic acid ($H_2C_2O_4.2 H_2O$) under acidic conditions will be oxidized by:

i.
$$\frac{1}{3}$$
 mole of $K_2Cr_2O_7$ ii. $\frac{5}{2}$ mol $K_2Cr_2O_7$ iii. $\frac{1}{3}$ mol KMnO₄iv. $\frac{5}{2}$ mol KMnO₄i and iii only(b) i and iv only(c) ii and iii only(d) ii and iv only

37. A carbonyl complex of Iridium (electronic configuration- [Xe] $4f^{14} 5d^7 6s^2$) with the formula IrCl(CO)(PPh₃)₂ is known as Vaska's complex. Which of the following ligand substitution/s will decrease the triple bond character of CO in Vaska's complex?

(b) Cl⁻ by CH₃⁻ (a) Both PPh₃ by PMe₃ (d) Both PPh₃ by P(CH₂Cl)₃

(c) Cl^{-} by PF_3

(a) i and iii only

38. A water sample is analysed and found to have concentration of Zn = 5.0 g m⁻³, Fe = 0.5 μ g mL⁻¹, Mn = 0.05 ppm and Cd = 0.005 ppb. The maximum prescribed concentration of metals in drinking water in mg dm⁻³ is Zn = 5.0, Fe = 0.2, Mn = 0.05 and Cd = 0.005. Identify the correct statement about the sample of water.

- (a) The water sample is having excess of Zn than the maximum prescribed concentration.
- (b) The water sample is having lower concentration of Mn and Cd than the maximum prescribed concentration.
- (c) The water sample is potable (suitable for drinking).
- (d) The concentration of Fe is 0.5ppm.
- 39. In the following reaction sequence, identify P, Q, R and S

- (a) $P = BF_3$, $Q = BCl_3$, $R = B_2H_6$, $S = B(OH)_3$
- (b) $P = NH_4BO_2$, $Q = B_2Cl_4$, $R = B(OH)_3$, $S = B(OH)_4^-$
- (c) $P = NH_4BO_2$, $Q = B(OH)_3$, $R = NaBO_2$, $S = B(OH)_3$
- (d) $P = BF_3$, $Q = B_2Cl_4$, $R = B(OH)_3$, $S = B(OH)_4$

40. The correct order of CFSE for the ions in the complexes having same ligands is:

(a) $V^{+2} < Mn^{+2} < Fe^{+2} < Co^{+2} < Ni^{+2}$	(b) $V^{+2} > Mn^{+2} = Fe^{+2} > Co^{+2} = Ni^{+2}$
(c) $Ni^{+2} < Co^{+2} < Fe^{+2} < Mn^{+2} < V^{+2}$	(d) $\mathrm{Mn}^{+2} < \mathrm{V}^{+2} < \mathrm{Co}^{+2} < \mathrm{Fe}^{+2} < \mathrm{Ni}^{+2}$

- 41. Complexes with geometry can exhibit different types of hybridization of central metal . (b) tetrahedral (a) square planar
 - (c) octahedral

(d) trigonal bipyramidal

42. In the following given pairs, the one with an acidic oxide and a neutral oxide respectively is-(a) NO, N_2O (b) N_2O_5 , NO (c) N_2O , N_2O_5 (d) N₂O, NO 43. Out of the following substances, the one that forms a white solid, has a high melting point and dissociates in water to form a basic solution is-

(a)
$$CO_2$$
 (b) P_4O_{10} (c) Na_2O (d) Cl_2O_7

44. The form in which thymine, the base present in DNA, remains at pH \sim 10, is:



45. The compound not having a planar molecular configuration is:

(a)
$$H_2C = CH_2$$

(b) $H_2C = CH - C \equiv CH$
(c) $H_2C = C = CHCl$
(d) $H_2C = C = CH_2$

46. For the following molecules, the correct order of reactivity towards S_N^{1} reaction is:



47. Relationship of X and Y is :



(a) same molecules

(b) enantiomers

(c) diastereoisomeres (d)

(d) positional isomers

48. An unsaturated hydrocarbon "M" on oxidative ozonolysis gave a mixture of butanedioic acid and oxalic acid. The structure of the hydrocarbon "M" is:



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A – 2 ANY NUMBER OF OPTIONS (4, 3, 2 or 1) MAY BE CORRECT MARKS WILL BE AWARDED ONLY IF ALL THE CORRECT OPTIONS ARE BUBBLED AND NO INCORRECT.

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- 49. An aqueous solution of $CuSO_4(X)$ is treated with certain reagents. Identify the incorrect statement/s.
 - (a) Addition of NH₄OH to the aqueous solution of X develops green colour.
 - (b) X is treated with H₂S in acidic medium giving black precipitate soluble in hot aqueous KOH solution.
 - (c) X on treatment with KI in weakly acidic medium gives white precipitate of CuI_2 liberating I_2 gas.
 - (d) An aqueous solution of X when treated with $BaCl_2$ solution gives white precipitate.
- 50. Chlorine (Cl₂) gas can be prepared by the action of concentrated (or Conc.) H₂SO₄ on a mixture of sodium chloride (NaCl) and manganese dioxide (MnO₂). Identify the set(s) of correct reactions.
 - (a) $MnO_2 + H_2SO_4 \longrightarrow MnSO_4 + H_2O + 1/2 O_2$ $2NaCl + H_2SO_4 \longrightarrow Na_2SO_4 + Cl_2 + H_2$
 - (b) $2 \operatorname{NaCl} + \operatorname{H}_2 \operatorname{SO}_4 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Na}_2 \operatorname{SO}_4 + 2\operatorname{HCl}$ $\operatorname{MnO}_2 + 2\operatorname{HCl} + \operatorname{H}_2 \operatorname{SO}_4 \longrightarrow \operatorname{MnSO}_4 + \operatorname{Cl}_2 + \operatorname{H}_2 \operatorname{O}$
 - (c) $4 \operatorname{NaCl} + 4 \operatorname{H}_2 \operatorname{SO}_4 \longrightarrow 4 \operatorname{NaHSO}_4 + 4 \operatorname{HCl}$ MnO₂ + 4 HCl \longrightarrow MnCl₂ + Cl₂ + 2 H₂O
 - (d) $MnO_2 + 2 NaCl \longrightarrow MnCl_2 + Na_2O + 1/2 O_2$ $MnCl_2 + H_2SO_4 \longrightarrow MnSO_4 + Cl_2 + H_2$
- 51. The 18-valence electron rule asserts that transition metal compounds are thermodynamically stable when they have a total of 18 valence electrons on the central metal, which include the metal's d electrons and the electrons provided by the ligands attached to the metal.

The 18-electron rule is obeyed by:

- (a) $[Fe (CO)_5]$ (b) $[Mn (CO)_5]$ (c) $[Ni(CO)_4]$ (d) $[Cr (CO)_6]$
- 52. Identify the correct statement(s) from the following:
 - (a) The number bridging carbonyl groups in Co₂(CO)₈ is 2
 - (b) The number of lone pair (s) in XeOF₄ is zero
 - (c) B_5H_{10} is not an example of borane
 - (d) The number of bonding and lone pairs of electrons in XeF_2 are 2 and 6, respectively.
- 53. Consider the following reaction:

triethyl orthoformate acrylaldehyde

ethyl formate

The correct statement(s) pertinent to the above mentioned reaction is/are:

- (a) It is an example of acetal exchange reaction.
- (b) It is an example of rearrangement reaction.
- (c) Conventional reaction of acraldehyde and ethanol will produce better yield of the acetal.
- (d) Water produced in the reaction is taken out of the equilibrium by the hydrolysis of the orthoester.

54. A 2 g piece of "dry ice" is dropped in a 5 L glass vessel containing air at 1 atm and 25 °C and the vessel is sealed. After some time, dry ice disappeared.

(Assume that the temperature is kept constant throughout.) Identify the correct statement(s).

- (a) Partial pressure of oxygen increases with respect to its initial value in air.
- (b) Partial pressure of CO_2 increases with respect to its initial value in air.
- (c) Total pressure of the vessel increases with respect to its initial value in air.
- (d) Disappearance of dry ice is due to the evaporation process.
- 55. A thermo-dynamical process is represented by the cycle shown below in which 0.1 mol of a perfect gas undergoes the reversible cyclic process $A \to B \to C \to D \to A$ P/atm

Given that $C_{\nu,m} = \frac{3}{2}R$ independent of temperature All symbols have their usual meaning

Identify the correct statement(s)

- (a) $T_B = 365.8 K$
- (b) $q_{B\to C} = 760.5 J$
- (c) $w_{B\to C} = -30 J$ (d) $\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\right)_T = 0$ for a perfect gas



56. Identify the correct statement(s) for the binary solutions

- (a) The volume of a solution at T and P equals the sum of the volumes of its pure components at T and P.
- (b) At constant T and P, the values of ΔG_{mix} and ΔS_{mix} are negative and positive respectively.
- (c) Inter-molecular interactions are negligible in an ideal solution.
- (d) The mixture of n-hexane and n-heptane form a nearly ideal solution.
- 57. The heat of combustion (kJ mol⁻¹) of ethane, propane and butane are -1560, -2220, -2878 respectively. When 100 g of each undergo complete combustion. Which of the following statement/s is/are correct?.
 - (a) The heat generated by combustion of propane will be maximum.
 - (b) The heat generated by combustion of butane will be minimum.
 - (c) At constant temperature and pressure, the work done during the combustion of ethane is minimum.
 - (d) At constant temperature and pressure, the work done during the combustion of butane is maximum.
- 58. pH titration curve of aqueous solution of simple aliphatic amino acid with general formula NH₂-CHR-COOH (where R = Alkyl group) against NaOH is represented below.

Identify the correct statement(s) pertaining to it:

- (a) In aqueous solution, amino acid mainly exists as 'NH₃-CHR-COOH
- (b) At point 'A', [$^{+}NH_3$ -CHR-COOH] = [$^{+}NH_3$ -CHR-COO]
- (c) At point 'B' amino acid exists in zwitter ion form.
- (d) At point 'C', $[NH_2$ -CHR-COO'] = ['NH_3-CHR-COO']



59. Tendency to undergo Cannizaro reaction depends upon the electrophilic nature of the carbonyl group.



pyrrole-2-aldehyde chloral p-N,N-dimethylaminobenzaldehyde thiophene-2-aldehyde

Identify the incorrect statement(s) from those listed below

- (a) Thiophene-2-aldehyde will undergo Cannizaro reaction.
- (b) Only chloral will not undergo Cannizaro reaction but others will follow.
- (c) pyrrole-2-aldehyde, chloral and *p-N,N*-dimethylaminobenzaldehyde will not follow Cannizaro reaction.
- (d) All the four molecules will undergo Cannizaro reaction since no one contains any enolisable α - hydrogen atom.
- 60. In the haloform reaction, the trihalogenated intermediate (−CO−CX₃) formed is then subjected to a nucleophilic attack by the hydroxide ion (OH⁻) at the carbonyl carbon (C=O) producing a tetrahedral intermediate, which eventually breaks down, expelling the ⁻CX₃ group and leading to the formation of a carboxylate anion.



Identify the correct statement(s) regarding iodoform reaction:

- (a) 'Q', 'R' and 'S' will take part in iodoform reaction.
- (b) 'P', 'R' and 'S' will take part in iodoform reaction.
- (c) 'P' and 'Q' will not take part in iodoform reaction.
- (d) 'Q' will not take part in iodoform reaction.