



# CHEMISTRY

## JEE (MAIN AND ADVANCED) CHEMISTRY

### ELEMENTS OF D - BLOCK

#### Problems

1. What are coinage metals ? Are they transition elements ?



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2. Which element has pseudo inert gas electronic configuration?



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3. Elements with the general electronic configuration  $(n - 1)d^3ns^2$  belong to which group in the modern periodic table ?



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4. Among  $Cu$ ,  $Ag$ ,  $Zn$  and  $Cd$  which one is the biggest atom? why?



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5. Why the decrease in atomic radius amongst a series of transition elements is less when compared with representative elements ?



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6. Among  $3d -$ ,  $4d -$  and  $5d -$  series elements, which elements has the least and which has the highest  $I_1$ ?



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7. Name a transition metal which does not exhibit variable oxidation states.



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8. Among ferrous and ferric ions, which one is more stable? Why?



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9. Arrange the  $MnO_4^-$  and  $VO_2^+$  ions in the increasing order of their oxidising power.



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10.  $FeCl_3$  is known but not  $FeI_3$  Why?





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11. Why is  $Cr^{2+}$  acts as reductant and  $Mn^{3+}$  as oxidant eventhough both have  $d^4$  configuration ?



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12. Which is a stronger reducing agent among  $Cr^{2+}$  and  $Fe^{2+}$  ? Why ?



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13. Why  $Ti^{3+}$  and  $Cr^{2+}$  are readily oxidised in air?



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14. Why is the  $E^\ominus$  value for the  $Mn^{3+} / Mn^{2+}$  couple much more positive than that for  $Cr^{3+} / Cr^{2+}$  or  $Fe^{3+} / Fe^{2+}$  ? Explain.



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15. What is the value of one Bohr magneton in S.I. units?



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16. Calculated spin only magnetic moment of  $Cr^{x+}$  is 4.9 BM. Find the 'x' value.



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17. Calculate the spin only magnetic moment of

$Ti^{3+}$  in C.G.S unit



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18.  $CaCl$  is colourless, while  $CuSO_4 \cdot 5H_2O$  is coloured. Explain?



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**19.** Eventhough  $Cu^{2+}$  has one unpaired d - electron, anhydrous copper sulphate is colourless. Why?



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**20.** Au(I) is diamagnetic, while Au(III) has a magnetic moment of 2.95 BM. Predict the colour of aurous and auric ions?



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**21.** Give some examples of the ions which are coloured but diamagnetic in nature.



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**22.** Potassium dichromate solution is used to test drunker driver? Discuss.



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**23.** Vanadium pentoxide is coloured. Why?



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**24.** Comment on the inter-conversion of dichromate and chromate



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**25.** What is chemical volcano ?



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26. How many moles of  $KMnO_4$  are required to oxidise one mole of ferrous oxalate in acidic medium ?



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27. Why manganate ion ( $MnO_4^{2-}$ ) undergo disproportionation in acidic solutions.



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**28.** Nitric acid is not suitable to acidify potassium permanganate. Why ?



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**29.** Variability in the oxidation states of lanthanides is limited. Why?



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**30.** In lanthanide series, which element is well known to exhibit  $+4$  oxidation state ? Why?



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**31.** Why  $\text{Ln}^{2+}$  ions are reductants and  $\text{Ln}^{4+}$  are oxidants ?



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**32.** What are the hydrolysis products of  $\text{LnCl}_3$ ?





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**33.** Why actinides are not affected by nitric acid ?



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**34.** Actinides are called transuranic elements. Explain.



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**35.** Why actinides are more reactive than lanthanides?



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**36.** Complex compounds of transition metals are familiar, but not inner transition elements. Why?



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1. Define transition elements. Give the names and symbols of the metals of the first transition series.



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2. Write the electronic configuration of the elements of first transition series.



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3. Name some d-block elements which have anomalous electronic configurations. Give their outer shell configurations.



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4. Write the configuration of  $\text{Cu}^+$ ,  $\text{Co}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ ,



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5. Name the minerals of manganese and iron.

Write their composition.



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1. How does manganese show its variable oxidation states?



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2. The atomic radius along the 3d series decreases. Explain on the basis of their electron configuration.



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3. The colour of  $[Ti(H_2O)_6]^{3+}$  is due to



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4. How does a catalyst work in a chemical reaction? Discuss the catalysis with suitable

examples.



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5. How do you classify magnetic substances?

Give two examples each.



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6. What do you understand by non-stoichiometric compounds?



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**7. What are alloys? How are they prepared?**



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**8. Mention any four alloys with composition and uses.**



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**9. Discuss the colour of the transition metal compounds with suitable examples.**



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**10.** Explain the magnetic properties of first transition series metal ions.



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**11.** Write the characteristic properties of transition elements.



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12. Transition elements have high melting points. Why ?



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13.  $CuSO_4 \cdot 5H_2O$  has pale blue colour while  $ZnSO_4 \cdot 7H_2O$  is white. Discuss.



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14. Predict which of the following will be coloured in aqueous solution?

$Ti^{3+}$ ,  $V^{3+}$ ,  $Cu^{+}$ ,  $Sc^{3+}$ ,  $Mn^{2+}$ ,  $Fe^{3+}$  and  $Co^{2+}$

. Give reasons for each



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**15.** The most common oxidation state of first transition series is +2. Explain.



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**16.** Write the characteristic properties of transition elements.



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### Exercise 5 1 3

1. How the acidic nature, covalent character changes with the oxidation state for oxides of a transition metal.



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2. Explain the preparation of potassium dichromate and potassium permanganate. Write their

uses.



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3. Discuss on the structures of chromate, dichromate, manganate and permanganate ions.



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4. Write any four oxidising properties of potassium dichromate.



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5. Write the oxidation properties of  $KMnO_4$  in acidic and neutral medium.



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### Exercise 5 1 4

1. Write the names and outer electronic configurations of  $4f$  - series elements.



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2. What are the oxidation states exhibited by the Lanthanides? Write examples.



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## Exercise 5 1 5

1. What are rare earths and transuranic elements?



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## Exercise 5 2

1. Give some examples for the ions with pseudo inert gas electronic configuration.



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2. Explain the possible oxidation states of chromium by using electronic configuration.



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3. How the maximum and minimum oxidation states of transition elements related to configuration?



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4. What is the oxidation state of central metal in  $[Ni(CO)_4]$  and  $[Fe(CO)_5]$ ?



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5. How heat of atomisation changes in 3d-series elements are stable?



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6. Why copper(I) compounds undergo disproportionation in aqueous solutions.



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7. Transition elements exhibit their highest oxidation states in oxides and fluorides. Discuss.



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8. Among  $Fe^{2+}$  and  $Cr^{2+}$ , which is stronger reductant? Why?



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9.  $Ni^{2+}$  is more stable than  $Pt^{2+}$ , but  $Pt^{4+}$  is more stable than  $Ni^{4+}$ . Why?



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10. Ferrous oxalate is used in developing black and white photographic film. Discuss.



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11. In 3d-series which element has positive

$E_{M^{2+}/M}^{\circ}$  value? Why?



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12.  $Fe^{3+}$  can oxidise halide ions. Discuss.



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13. Why calculated magnetic moment of  $Co^{2+}$

is less than the experimental magnetic

moment?



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14.  $Mn^{x+}$  has a magnetic moment of 4.9 BM.

Calculate the value of x in the given ion.



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15. A salt of 3d metal gave a white precipitate with  $NH_4OH$ , but dissolves in excess  $NH_4OH$ .

Name the 3d metal.



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16. What is the percentage of number of ferro ions in the non-stoichiometric compound  $Fe_{0.93}O$ .



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17. Addition of appreciable amount  $KMnO_4$  in conc.  $H_2SO_4$  explodes. Explain.



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18. An aqueous solution of  $Al_2(SO_4)_3$ ,  $FeSO_4$  and chrome alum is heated with excess  $Na_2O_2$ . A brown residue and an yellow filtrate are obtained. Discuss.



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19.  $E^\circ$  for  $Mn^{3+}$ ,  $Mn^{2+}$  is more positive than that for  $Fe^{3+}$ ,  $Fe^{2+}$ , Why?



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**20.** Amongst the bivalent ions of 3d-elements, Mn(II) shows maximum paramagnetic character, Substantiate.



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**21.** Copper is regarded as transition metal, though it has completely filled 3d-orbitals. Explain.



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**22.** Compounds of iron are coloured and paramagnetic. Explain.



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**23.** In 3d-series which element cannot displace hydrogen gas from dilute acids? Why?



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24.  $Mn^{3+}$  is less stable than  $Mn^{2+}$  and  $Mn^{4+}$  ions. Why?



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25. Acidified dichromate solution turns green when sodium sulphide is added to it. Explain.



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**26.** How lanthanides differ from actinides in their oxidation states?



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**27.** Is any actinide has no electrons in 5f-subshell? If so name it.



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**28.** What is actinoid contraction ?





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29. Only chelate complexes of lanthanides are known, other complexes are less stable. Substantiate.



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30. Basic nature of  $Lu(OH)_2$  is less than that of  $La(OH)_3$ . Why?



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31. Which lanthanide is synthetic? Write its electronic configuration.



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32. Trivalent ions of  $Eu(Z = 63)$  and  $Tb(Z = 65)$  have same colours. Explain.



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**33.**  $\text{Eu}^{2+}$  is good reductant, but  $\text{Ce}^{4+}$  is good oxidant. Explain.



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