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Total Marks : 70

Q-1 Answer the following: 08

- (i) When non volatile solute added to solvent the freezing point of solution _____ and vapour pressure of solution _____
(a) Decreases, Increases (b) Increases, Increases
(c) Increases, Decreases (d) Decreases, Decreases
- (ii) Equation for η_{sp} is
(a) $\frac{\eta}{\eta_0}$ (b) $\frac{\eta - \eta_0}{\eta_0}$ (c) $\frac{\eta_{sp}}{c}$ (d) $\ln \eta_r / C$
- (iii) Azo compounds are used as initiator in
(a) Cationic polymerization (b) Anionic Polymerization
(c) Coordination Polymerization (d) Free radical Polymerization
- (iv) Kinetic chain length is inversely proportional to
(a) $[M]$ (b) $[I]$
(c) $[I]^{1/2}$ (d) $[M]^{1/2}$
- (v) The resins which are produced by the condensation polymerization of formaldehyde with urea or melamine are called as _____ resins.
(a) Amino (b) Phenolic
(c) Alkyd (d) Epoxy
- (vi) The catalyst used for olefin polymerization is
(a) Raney nickel catalyst (b) Merrifield resin
(c) Ziegler-Natta catalyst (d) Wilkinson catalyst
- (vii) When _____, then the copolymer formed will have an alternative arrangement of equal number of M_1 & M_2 monomeric units.
(a) $r_1 = r_2 = 1$ (b) $r_1 = 1, r_2 = 0$
(c) $r_1 = 0, r_2 = 1$ (d) $r_1 = r_2 = 0$
- (viii) _____ are used to improve the adhesion between the polymer and the filler by linking them with covalent bonds.
(a) Plasticizers (b) Coupling agents
(c) Lubricants (d) Curing agents

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Q-2 Answer the following (**ANY SEVEN**): **14**

- (i) Define the terms: Organic polymers and Inorganic polymers
- (ii) Draw the Block diagram of Gel Permeation Chromatography (GPC).
- (iii) Define the term Functionality and give suitable examples of tetra functional compounds.
- (iv) During polymerization of styrene carbon tetrachloride acts as a good chain transfer agent. Why?
- (v) Define the terms: Inhibitors and Retarders
- (vi) State the applications of Ion containing polymers.
- (vii) Monomers containing conjugated systems are highly reactive but they will form stable and relatively unreactive radicals. Why?
- (viii) Classify the additives and state its importance.
- (ix) List out the different products which are obtained by making the variations in the choice of additives in rubber technology.

Q-3 (a) Discuss the method of End Group analysis with its limitations. **06**
(b) List out the weight average molecular weight determination methods and describe any one of them. **06**

OR

- (b) (i) Give the difference between thermoplastic polymer and thermoset polymer. **03**
- (ii) Intrinsic viscosity of myosin is $217\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$. Calculate the approximate concentration of myosin in water which would have flow time of solution and solvent $t = 300$ sec and $t_0 = 200$ sec respectively. **03**

Q-4 (a) Give a complete account on: Methods of Initiating Free Radical polymerization. **06**
(b) Discuss the mechanism of cationic polymerization of styrene under the action of Lewis acids in the presence of co-catalyst. **06**

OR

- (b) Differentiate addition polymerization and condensation polymerization. **06**

Q-5 (a) Discuss the Polyaddition reaction with its characteristics. **06**
(b) Describe the Bead polymerization method. **06**

OR

- (b) Derive the equation: $\frac{1}{(1-p)} = k_x \cdot C_0 \cdot t + 1$ and $\frac{1}{(1-p)^2} = 2ktC_0^2 + 1$ **06**



- Q-6**
- (a) Write in brief about Flame retardants and Curing agents. **06**
 - (b) Derive the copolymer equation which can be used for predicting the instantaneous molar compositions of the copolymer formed with the knowledge of r_1 and r_2 and also the monomer feed ratio. **06**

OR

- (b) Give the complete account on Copolymer composition and Monomer reactivity. **06**

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