

Co-ordination Compounds

Weightage = 9 Marks

3 Marks – 3Q

ONE MARK QUESTIONS

1. What is the IUPAC of $K_2[Zn(OH)_2]$?
Ans : Potassium tetrahydroxidozincate(II)
2. Write formula for the mercurytetrathiocyanatocobaltate(III)
Ans : $Hg[Co(SCN)_4]$
3. How many Cl^- ions can be precipitated as $AgCl$. by adding excess of aqueous $AgNO_3$ solution into one mole of $[Co(NH_3)_6]Cl_3$?
Ans : Three(3) ions or three or 3
4. What is the value of co-ordination number of Fe in $[FeCl_2(en)_2]Cl$?
Ans : 6

TWO MARK QUESTIONS :

5. What is an ambidentate ligand? Give an example.
Ans : Ligand which can ligate through two different atoms to central metal atom/ion is known as ambidentate ligand.
Ex : Nitrito-N and Nitrito-O OR NO_2^- OR Thiocyanate and Isothiocyanate OR SCN^- and NCS^- (any one)
6. What is Chelating ligand? Give an example.
Ans : When a didentate or polydentate ligand uses two or more donor atoms to bind single central metal atom/ion is known as chelating ligand.
Example : ethane 1-2 diamine (en), ethylenediaminetetraacetate($EDTA^{4-}$)ion, oxalate ($C_2O_4^{2-}$) etc. (any one)
7. What are homoleptic complexes? Give an example.
Ans : Complexes in which a central metal atom/ion is bound to more than one kind of donor groups are known as heteroleptic complexes.
Example : $[Ti(H_2O)_6]^{3+}$, $[Co(CN)_6]^{3-}$, $[Cu(H_2O)_4]^{2+}$, $[Ni(CN)_4]^{2-}$, $[NiCl_4]^{2-}$, $[Co(en)_3]^{3+}$ etc
8. What are heteroleptic complexes? Give an example.
Ans : Complexes in which a central metal atom/ion is bound to more than one kind of donor groups are known as heteroleptic complexes.
Example : $[CoCl.CN.NO_2(NH_3)_3]$, $[Co(NH_3)_5(NO_2)]Cl_2$. $[Co(NH_3)_5(NH_3)_5(ONO)]Cl_2$ etc
9. Mention any two postulates of Werner's theory of co-ordination compound.
Ans :
 - i) The central metal atom or ion in a complex possesses two types of valences(linkages) Namely a) Primary valency b) Secondary valency
 - ii) Primary valency is ionisable and secondary valency is non ionisable.
 - iii) Primary valency is satisfied only by anions.(negatively charged ions) and secondary valency is satisfied by either anions or neutral molecules or both.
 - iv) The primary valency corresponds to the oxidation state of central metal and the secondary valency corresponds to the co-ordination number of the metal(remains fixed for a metal)
 - v) The secondary valences are directional. Hence they show isomerism.

- vi) The primary valency of the metal is variable. The secondary valency has a fixed value.

10. Draw energy level diagram for the splitting of d-orbitals in an octahedral crystal field.

Ans :

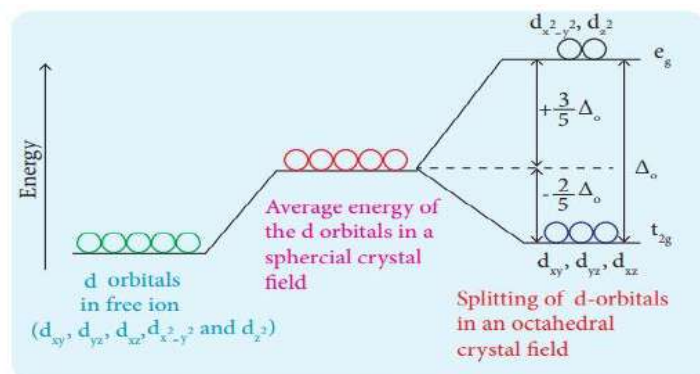


Figure: 5.10 - Crystal field splitting in octahedral field

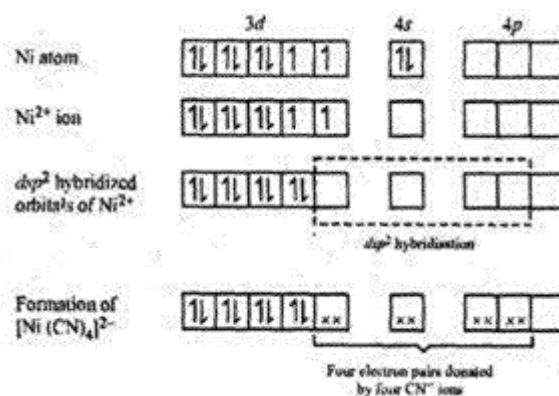
THREE MARKS QUESTIONS :

11. On the basis of Valence Bond Theory (VBT), Account for hybridisation, geometry and magnetic property of $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ complex ion. (Z for Ni is 28)

Ans : Hybridisation : dsp^2

Geometry : Square planar

Magnetic property : Diamagnetic

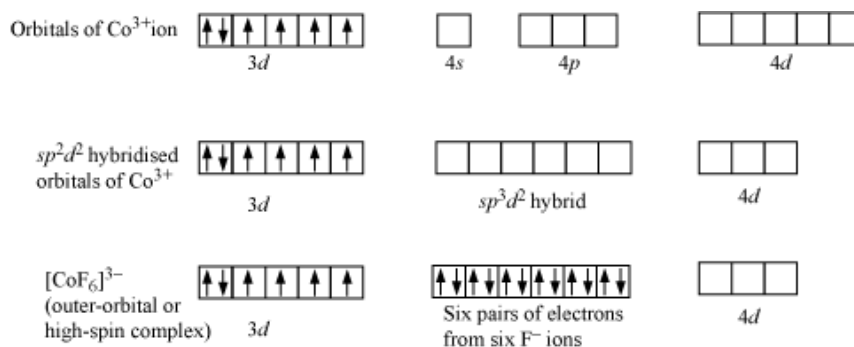


12. Using valence bond theory explain geometry hybridisation and magnetic property of $[\text{CoF}_6]^{3-}$. (Given atomic number of Co is 27)

Ans : Hybridisation : sp^3d^2

Geometry : Octahedral

Magnetic property : Paramagnetic



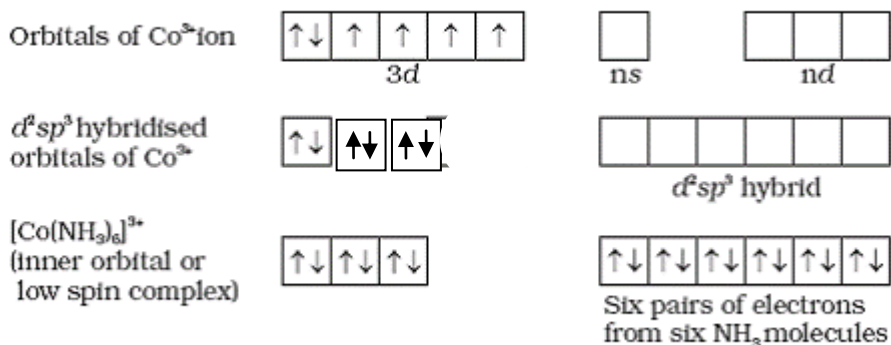
Complexes hybridisation according to valence bond theory

13. Using valence bond theory explain geometry hybridization and magnetic property of $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$ (Given atomic number of Co is 27)

Ans : Hybridisation : d^2sp^3

Geometry : Octahedral

Magnetic property : Diamagnetic

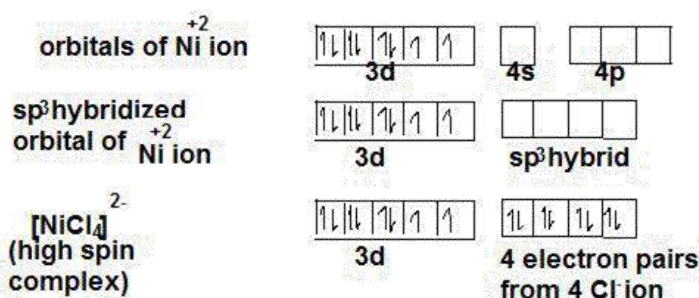


14. On the basis of valence bond theory (VBT), Account for hybridisation, geometry and magnetic property of $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$ Complex ion (Z for Ni is 28)

Ans : Hybridisation : sp^3

Geometry : Tetrahedral

Magnetic property : Paramagnetic



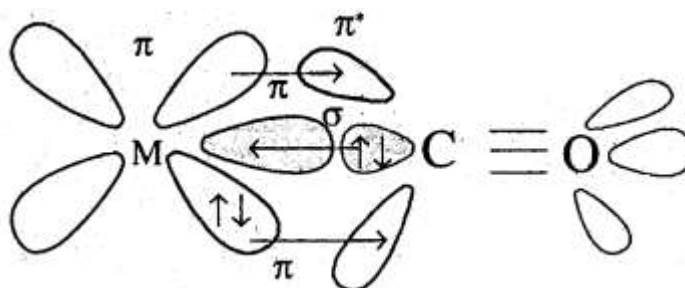
15. Discuss the nature of bonding in metal carbonyl.

Ans : In metal carbonyl : The metal-carbon bond possesses both σ and π -character.

The metal-carbon σ bond is formed by the donation of lone pair of electrons on the carbonyl carbon into vacant orbitals of metal.

The metal-carbon π - bond is formed by the donation of a pair of electrons from a filled d-orbital of metal into the vacant antibonding π^* orbital of CO.

The metal to ligand bonding creates a synergic effect which strengthens the bond between CO and metal.



16. What is Crystal Field Splitting Energy? Name two factors on which Crystal Field splitting energy depends.

Ans : The energy separation in the splitting of the degenerated levels due to presence of ligands in a definite geometry is known as Crystal-Field Splitting energy.

OR

The difference in energy between the two sets of degenerate orbitals during crystal field splitting is called as Crystal-Field Splitting Energy.

The crystal field splitting energy depends on :

1. Field produced by the ligand. (Strength of ligand)
2. Charge on the metal ion.

17. Define spectrochemical series

A series of ligands arranged in the increasing order of their ligand field strength is called spectrochemical series.
