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2025_2 EXAMINATIONS**

COURSE CODE: CHM 307

COURSE TITLE: ATOMIC AND MOLECULAR STRUCTURE AND SYMMETRY

COURSE UNIT: 3

INSTRUCTION: Answer question one (1) and any other three questions

Time: 3 Hours

QUESTION 1

- 1 (a) List six (6) sets of symmetry operations **(6 marks)**
(b) State Pauli's Exclusion Principle **(2 marks)**
(c) Using the concept of bond order, why is it impossible for He₂ to exist? **(4 marks)**
(d) Write the electronic configuration of Na³⁺, N²⁻, Pb²⁺, and Al⁴⁺ **(8 marks)**
(e) Draw the energy level diagram in hydrogen molecule **(5 marks)**

QUESTION 2

- a) State Hund's rule **(5 marks)**
b) Briefly explain bond energy **(5 marks)**
c) Explain J-J coupling **(5 marks)**

QUESTION 3

- a) What do you understand by Commutation of operators? **(5 marks)**
bi) Briefly explain bond energy **(4 marks)**
bii) Define bond length **(3 marks)**
c) What is atomic spectrum? **(3 marks)**

QUESTION 4

- a) Briefly explain the effect of vibration on rotation **(4 marks)**
b) What do you understand by Linearity of an operator? **(3 marks)**
ci) What is the wavelength of a 100eV electron? **(5 marks)**
cii) State the application of valence bond theory **(3 marks)**

QUESTION 5

- a) Explain bond dissociation energy **(4 marks)**
b) Briefly explain principal quantum number **(6 marks)**
c) Define L-S coupling **(5 marks)**

QUESTION 6

- a) What is the major limitation of Bohr's model? **(6 marks)**
b) Calculate the wave length of electron moving at 2×10^6 m/s using the de Broglie equation **(4 marks)**
ci) What is spin orbital? **(2 marks)**
cii) What is the significant of hybridization in valence bond theory? **(3 marks)**