



**EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA  
THIRD EXAMINATION IN SCIENCE  
FIRST SEMESTER 2003/2004 (Repeat)  
CH 303 ELECTROCHEMISTRY**

**Answer all questions.**

**Time:01 Hour**

1. (i) Define the following terms:

- (a) Molar conductivity
- (b) Mobility
- (c) Flux

Show that  $\lambda/\lambda^\infty = \alpha$  for a weak electrolyte.

( $\lambda$ - Molar conductivity,  $\lambda^\infty$  molar conductivity at infinite dilution and  $\alpha$ - dissociation constant of the weak acid)

(ii) Conductivity of a saturated aqueous solution of silver chloride is  $1.980 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Sm}^{-1}$ . If the conductivity of the water used to prepare the solution is  $1.78 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Sm}^{-1}$ , calculate

- (a) the solubility
- (b) the solubility product of silver chloride .

$\lambda^\infty$  for  $\text{Ag}^+$  and  $\text{Cl}^-$  are  $6.35 \times 10^{-3} \text{ Sm}^2\text{mol}^{-1}$  and  $7.55 \times 10^{-3} \text{ Sm}^2\text{mol}^{-1}$  respectively. All data are at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .

2. (a) Calculate the molar conductivity of sodium sulphate solution at infinite dilution.

( $\Lambda^\alpha_{\text{Na}^+} = 0.502 \times 10^{-2} \Omega^{-1}\text{m}^2\text{mol}^{-1}$ ,  $\Lambda^\alpha_{1/2 \text{SO}_4^{2-}} = 0.800 \times 10^{-2} \Omega^{-1}\text{m}^2\text{mol}^{-1}$ )

(b) Calculate the potential difference between hydrogen electrodes in the following cell at 298 K. The activity coefficients of 0.01 M and 0.1 M HCl solutions in the cell are 0.95 and 0.85 respectively.

$\text{Pt} / \text{H}_2(\text{g}), \text{HCl} / \text{AgCl}(\text{s}), \text{Ag} // \text{Ag}, \text{AgCl}(\text{s}) / \text{HCl}, \text{H}_2(\text{g}) / \text{Pt}$   
(1 atm) ( $c_1 = 0.01$ ) ( $c_2 = 0.1$ ) (1 atm)

