B.E. (Chemical) -3^{rd} Semester

(Mid Term-1, Oct 2021)

Time: 1 hours Max. Marks = 25

Note: All questions are compulsory

UNIT - 1

- Q.1 a) Explain ideal and real fuel cell efficiency and the terms involved in it. 5
 b) A fuel cell operates for 1 hour at 2 A current load and then operates for 2 more hours at 5 A current load. Calculate the total number of moles of H₂ consumed by the fuel cell over the course of this operation. To what mass of H₂ does this correspond? Assume 100% fuel utilization.
 Q.2 a) Explain types of fuel cell based on electrolyte and discuss which kind of fuel cell are used at low temperature and high temperature?
 b) Consider an SOFC system with an electrical efficiency of 55%. Suppose the SOFC rejects heat at 800°C.
 i. If a heat engine takes this input heat from the fuel cell and rejects it at 100°C, what is the Carnot efficiency of this heat engine?
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 - ii. Assume that the practical efficiency of the heat engine is 60% of the Carnot efficiency. In this case, if the heat engine and fuel cell are combined, what would be the net electrical efficiency of the combined system?
- Q.3 Drive Butler-Volmer equation and explain the term activation overvoltage 5 involved in it?