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S.No.	Term	Notation (Symbol)	Concept / Definition / Meaning / Units / Equation / Expression	Units
Unit-I : INTRODUCTION				
1.	Analytical Techniques		It's a method used for determination of a chemical or physical property of a chemical substance or mixture.	
2.	Radiation		It is the emission or transmission of energy in the form of waves or particles through space.	
3.	Electromagnetic radiation		Waves of electromagnetic field radiating through space	
4.	Crest		Highest point in a wave	
5.	Trough		Lowest point in a wave	
6.	Wave Frequency	Nu	Number of waves that pass a fixed point in a given amount of time.	Hz
7.	Amplitude	A	The maximum distance moved by a point on a wave measured from it's position	m
8.	Reflection		Change in direction of wavefront at an interface between two different media	
9.	Spectrum		A set of colors into which a beam of light can be separated	
10.	Electromagnetic spectrum		The range of frequencies of EM radiation and their respective wavelengths and photon energies	
11.	Spectrophotometer		To measure absorbed light intensity as a function of wavelength	
12.	Photon		Is a tiny particle that comprises waves of electromagnetic radiation	
13.	Wavelength	λ	The distance between two successive crests or troughs of a wave	nm
14.	Optical instruments		The devices which process light wave to enhance an image for more clear view	
15.	Signal		A sound that conveys the information or instructions	
16.	Noise		Indistinguishable from desired	

			sound as both are vibrations through a medium	
17.	FTIR		Fourier Transform Infrared spectroscopy is a method used for identification of compounds in a sample	
18.	Measurement error	\pm	Difference between a measured quantity and its true value	
19.	Light		It is a form of EM radiation of a wavelength detected by human eye	
20.	velocity	c	The speed of light in vacuum	m/s
21.	Scattering		In which light rays get deviated from its straight path on striking an obstacle.	
22.	LASERS		Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation	
23.	Prism		A 3D shape with two identical shapes facing each other that refract light	
24.	Spectral resolution		The ability to define fine wavelength intervals	
25.	Spectral bandwidth		The band width of light at one-half the peak maximum	

Unit-II : MOLECULAR SPECTROSCOPY

26.	Atomic absorption spectrometry		Used for quantitative determination of chemical elements using the absorption of optical radiation by free atoms in gaseous state	
27.	Molecular absorption spectrometry		Absorption of light by molecules	
28.	Absorbance	A	Quantity of light absorbed by a solution	
29.	Transmittance	T	Quantity of light that passes through a solution	
30.	Phosphorescence		Light energy produced by a particular type of chemical reaction where the excess chemical energy of the reactants is given off as light energy	
31.	Fluorescence		Emission of light by a substance that has absorbed light or other EM radiation	
32.	Transducers		Device that converts energy from one form to another	
33.	Transition		The process of changing from one form to another form	
34.	Bolometer		Device used for detecting and measuring the heat and radiation of microwave energy	
35.	Pyroelectric transducers		It helps in detection of EM radiation in range of wavelength	

36.	Raman effect		When a beam of light transverses a transparent sample of a compound a small fraction of light emerges in directions other than incident light	
37.	Rayleigh scattering		The scattering of light by particles in a medium without change in wavelength	
38.	Monochromator		Device that transmits a selectable narrow band of wavelengths of light chosen from a wider range of wavelengths	
39.	Filters		A device that removes some unwanted components or features from a signal	
40.	Read outs		Electronic device that displays information in a visual form	
41.	Amplifier		Device that turns the low volt signals to signal with enough gain	
42.	Passive filters		Consume the energy of the signal but no power gain is available	
43.	Polychromatic radiation		It consists of a mixture of different wavelengths	
44.	Light intensity		Amount of light produced by a specific lamp source	
45.	Emission of light		Process of elements releasing different photons of color as their atoms return to their lower energy levels.	
46.	Sine wave		Curve that defines a smooth periodic oscillation	
47.	Cosine wave		Signal waveform with a shape identical to that of a sine wave	
48.	Sensors		Device that detects and responds to some type of input from physical environment	
49.	Phosphorimetry		Phosphorescence of a sample is measured in conjunction with a pulsed source of radiation	
50.	Fiber optics		Technology that uses glass (or plastic) threads (fibers) to transmit data	

Unit-III : MAGNETIC RESONANCE SPECTROSCOPY AND MASS SPECTROMETRY

51.	NMR spectroscopy		Technique to observe local magnetic fields around atomic nuclei	
52.	^1H NMR		With respect to hydrogen - 1 nuclei within the molecules of a substance	
53.	^{13}C NMR		With respect to carbon - 13 nuclei within the molecules of a substance	
54.	Chemical shift		The resonant frequency of a nucleus relative to a standard in a magnetic field	ppm

55.	Mass spectrometer		Analytical technique that measures the mass-to-charge ratio of ions
56.	MS spectrum		Is an intensity vs. m/z plot representing a chemical analysis
57.	Desorption		Release of an adsorbed substance from a surface
58.	Ionization energy		The energy required to remove an electron from a gaseous atom or ion
59.	Probe		Physically explore or examine with the hands or using an instrument
60.	Electron spectroscopy		To study the electronic structure and it's dynamic in atoms and molecules
61.	Ion spectroscopy		A technique in which a beam of ions are scattered by a surface
62.	Mass analyzers		To determine the mass, formula and structure of the compound being analyzed
63.	Quadrupole Mass Analyzer		Comprises of four parallel rods of circular or hyperbolic cross section
64.	Proton decoupling		Irradiating the sample with radio frequencies to remove the splitting caused by protons
65.	TOF MS		Time of flight mass spectrometry, in which an ion's mass to charge ratio is determined via time of flight measurement
66.	Electron paramagnetic resonance		It is a method used for studying materials with unpaired electrons
67.	Detector		An instrument designed to detect the presence of a particular object or sample
68.	g values		The value of g is 5.586 and it has a different value for each nuclear spin
69.	Data processing system		A set of inputs produce a defined set of outputs
70.	Magnetic sector Mass Analyzer		A static electric or magnetic sector or some combination of the two as a mass analyzer
71.	Mass to charge ratio	m/z	Is a physical quantity most widely used in electrodynamics of charged particles
72.	Mass number		Sum of protons and neutrons
73.	Atomic number		Average number of protons and neutrons
74.	Isotope		Is the variants of a particular element which differ in number f neutrons
75.	Precessional movement		Change in the movement of axis when the atom spins
Unit-IV : SEPARATION METHODS			

76.	Chromatography		Used to separate mixtures of substances into their components	
77.	Retention time	R_t	Measure of time taken for a solute to pass through a column	
78.	Retention factor	R_f	Measure of ratio of distance of spot moved to the distance the solvent front moved	
79.	Liquid chromatography		Separates molecules in a liquid mobile phase using a solid stationary phase	
80.	Partition chromatography		The separation of components between two liquid phases using a column	
81.	Adsorption chromatography		Separation is based on interaction of adsorbate with the adsorbent	
82.	Ion exchange chromatography		Separates ions and polar molecules based on their affinity to the ion exchanger	
83.	Size exclusion chromatography		Molecules in solution are separated by their size	
84.	Affinity chromatography		Separation of biochemical mixture based on high specific interaction between antigen and antibody	
85.	Gas chromatography		Separation and analysis of compounds that can be vaporized without decomposition	
86.	Chemiluminescence		Emission of light as the result of a chemical reaction	
87.	HPLC		High Performance Liquid Chromatography, used to separate, identify and quantify each component in a mixture	
88.	Pneumatic pumps		Use compressed air to create force that is used to move fluids through a piping system	
89.	Flame ionization detector		That measures analytes in a gas stream	
90.	Solute		Substance dissolved in another substance	
91.	Solvent		Liquid that dissolves a solid, liquid or gaseous solute	
92.	Electrophoresis			
93.	Buffer		A solution which resists change in pH when acid or alkali is added to it	
94.	Tris buffer		Maintain the pH within a relatively narrow range	
95.	Carrier gas		Used in the mobile phase of gas-liquid chromatography	
96.	UV radiations		Light having wavelength more than 100 nm but below 400 nm	
97.	Capillary electrophoresis		Analytical technique that separates ions based on their electrophoretic	

			mobility with the applied voltage	
98.	Silica gel		Amorphous and porous form of silicon dioxide consisting of irregular alternating of silicon and oxygen atoms	
99.	C8 column		C8 contains octyl carbon chain bonded to silica as the stationary phase	
100.	C18 column		C18 has octadecyl carbon chain bonded to silica as the stationary phase	

Unit-V : ELECTRO ANALYSIS AND SURFACE MICROSCOPY

101.	Electrode		A conductor through which electricity enters or leaves a substance	
102.	Electrochemical cells		A device capable of either generating electrical energy from chemical reactions	
103.	Galvanic cell		Derives electrical energy from spontaneous redox reactions taking place within the cell	
104.	Electrolysis		Which uses a direct electric current to drive non-spontaneous chemical reaction	
105.	Potentiometry		The measurement of electrical potential as a technique in chemical analysis	
106.	Voltammetry		Electroanalytical method used in analytical chemistry	
107.	Electroanalytical		Analyte by measuring the potential or current in an electrochemical cell containing the analyte	
108.	Cyclic voltameter		Is the potentiodynamic electrochemical measurement	
109.	Pulse voltameter		Which increases the pulse height that is applied at periodic intervals	
110.	Microscope		An optical instrument used for viewing very small objects	
111.	Electron microscope		It uses a beam of accelerated electrons as a source of illumination	
112.	Optical microscope		It uses a visible light and a system of lenses to magnify images of small objects	
113.	Transmission electron microscope		A beam of electrons is transmitted through a specimen to form an image	
114.	Photon		A particle representing a quantum of light or other EM radiation	
115.	Scanning electron microscope		It produces images of a sample by scanning the surface with a focused beam of electrons	

116.	Atomic force microscopy		Used for the study of surface properties for both conductive and non-conductive samples	
117.	Scanning tunneling microscope		Instrument for imaging surfaces at the atomic level	
118.	Fluorescent microscope		To examine material that fluoresces under UV light	
119.	Thermogravimetric analysis		A thermal analysis in which the mass of a sample is measured over time	
120.	Microscope condenser		Which renders a divergent beam from a point source into a parallel beam	
121.	Electro motive force	emf	Electrical action produced by a non-electrical source	
122.	Diffusion		The movement of substance from an area of high concentration to area of low concentration	
123.	Concentration gradient		Concentration of particles is higher in one area than another	
124.	pH		Is a scale used to specify the acidity or basicity of an aqueous solution	
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Placement Questions				
126.	Velocity of light	c	3.00×10^8	m/s
127.	Wavelength	λ	The distance between one crest to another or one trough to another of a wave	m
128.	Precessional movement		A rotational movement from axis by atom	
129.	Colorimeter		A device which measures absorbance of specific colours	
130.	Amplitude		Fluctuation or displacement of a wave from it's mean value	m
131.	Phosphorescence		Photoluminescence related to fluorescence	
132.	Sample container		Flat or round shaped are often called as cuvettes	
133.	Monochromator		Which transmit mechanically selectable narrow band of wavelengths of light	
134.	Beer lambert's law formula		$A = \epsilon lc$, A = absorbance, ϵ = absorptivity, l = path length, c = concentration	
135.	Frequency	f	The number of occurrences of a repeating event per unit of time	Hz
136.	FTIR		Fourier transform infra red for identification of compounds	
137.	Fluorometers		Measure parameters of visible spectrum fluorescence	

138.	Raman spectroscopy		To determine vibrational, rotational and other low-frequency modes of molecules	
139.	IR absorption spectroscopy		Molecules absorb frequencies that are characteristic of their structure	
140.	Microwave		An electromagnetic wave with a wavelength in the range 0.001-0.3 m	
141.	Capillary electrophoresis		separates ions based on their electrophoretic mobility	
142.	Mobile phase		Flows through stationary phase and carries the components of mixture with it	
143.	Wash buffer		Remove salt residues on the column	
144.	Stationary phase		Solid or liquid phase on which the material to be separated are selectively adsorbed	
145.	Radiowave		An EM wave of a frequency between about 10^4 and 10^{11} or 10^{12} Hz	
146.	Refractive index	n	Ratio of the velocity of light in a vacuum to its velocity in a specified medium	
147.	Concentration gradient		Concentration of particles is higher in one area than another	
148.	Nernst equation		Reduction potential of an electrochemical reaction to the standard electrode potential of the chemical species undergoing reduction and oxidation	
149.	Potentiostat		An electronic hardware required to control a three electrode cell and run most electroanalytical experiments	
150.	pH		Is a scale used to specify the acidity or basicity of an aqueous solution	

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