

11. (i) Transition metals have a lattice structure in which the unoccupied space is called hole/interstices. Transition metals can entrap small size, highly electronegative elements into these interstices and results in the formation of interstitial compounds. Example is Tungsten carbide.
- (ii) Only $E_{\text{Cu}^{2+}/\text{Cu}}^{\circ} = +0.34\text{V}$ is the positive value due to low hydration enthalpy of Cu^{2+} . This low hydration enthalpy is not able to compensate for high enthalpy of sublimation and enthalpy of ionization.
12. (i) $2\text{MnO}_2 + 4\text{KOH} + \text{O}_2 \longrightarrow 2\text{K}_2\text{MnO}_4 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- (ii) $2\text{MnO}_4^{2-} + 4\text{H}^+ \longrightarrow 2\text{MnO}_4^- + \text{MnO}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- (iii) $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} + 3\text{SO}_2 + 2\text{H}^+ \longrightarrow 2\text{Cr}^{3+} + 3\text{SO}_4^{2-} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$
13. (i) Transition metals all have a lattice structure. Due to their comparable size, one metal can substitute other metal in the crystal lattice and results in the alloy formation. Example is Brass (Copper and Zinc).
- (ii) Eu (II) attains a common oxidation of +III of lanthanoids by the loss of one electron. The substance which loses electron is called a reducing agent. Hence, Eu(II) compounds are strongly reducing.
- (iii) $E_{\text{M}^{2+}/\text{M}}^{\circ}$ values do not follow a regular trend in the 3d series due to irregular trends in the enthalpy of sublimation (or atomisation) and ionization enthalpy.
14. (i) The symbol of the ion is Co^{3+} .
- (ii) Transition metals shows their highest oxidation states in oxides and fluorides because fluorine and oxygen are the two most electronegative elements. In addition, oxygen also stabilises highest oxidation states by forming double bonds.
- (iii) In 3d series manganese, Mn shows a highest oxidation state of +7 in potassium permanganate, KMnO_4 .
15. (a) A $\rightarrow \text{FeCr}_2\text{O}_4$
 B $\rightarrow \text{Na}_2\text{CrO}_4$
 C $\rightarrow \text{Na}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$
- The chemical equations are
- (i) $4\text{FeCr}_2\text{O}_4 + 8\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 + 7\text{O}_2 \longrightarrow 8\text{Na}_2\text{CrO}_4 + 2\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 + 8\text{CO}_2$
 (A) (B)
- (ii) $2\text{Na}_2\text{CrO}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \longrightarrow \text{Na}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7 + \text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$
 (B) (C)
- (b) $\text{VO}_2^+ < \text{CrO}_4^{2-} < \text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} < \text{MnO}_4^-$
- (c) Cupric iodide, CuI_2 is unstable due to intramolecular redox reaction leading to the formation of Cu_2I_2 and I_2
- $2\text{CuI}_2 \rightarrow \text{Cu}_2\text{I}_2 + \text{I}_2$, $2\text{Cu}^{2+} + 4\text{I}^- \rightarrow 2\text{Cu}^+ + \text{I}_2 + 2\text{I}^-$.

