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Paper 1 Multiple Choice

**25 September 2019**

**1 hour**

Additional Materials: Multiple Choice Answer Sheet  
Data Booklet

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There are **30** questions on this paper. Answer **all** questions. For each question, there are four possible answers **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**.

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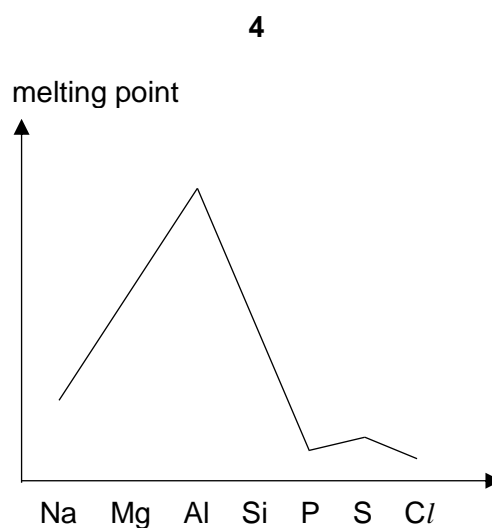
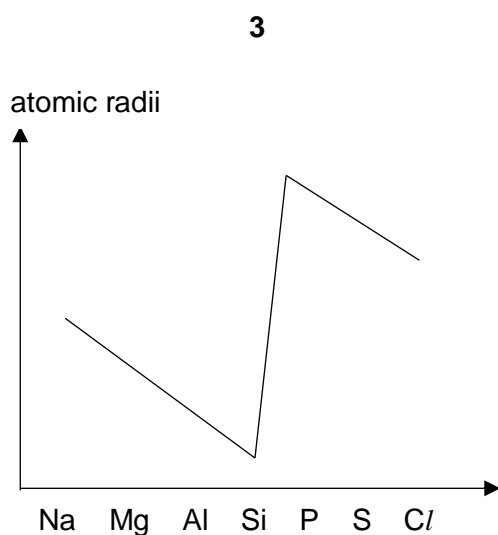
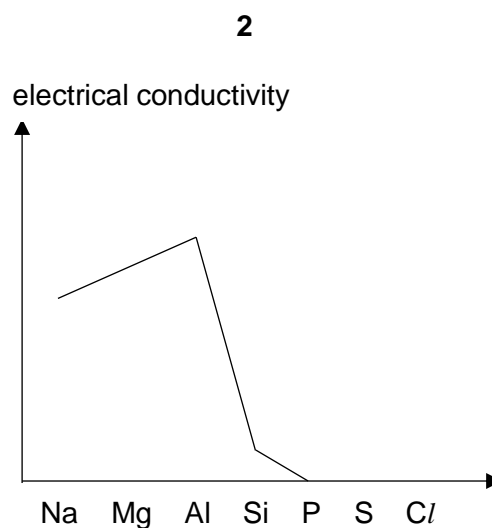
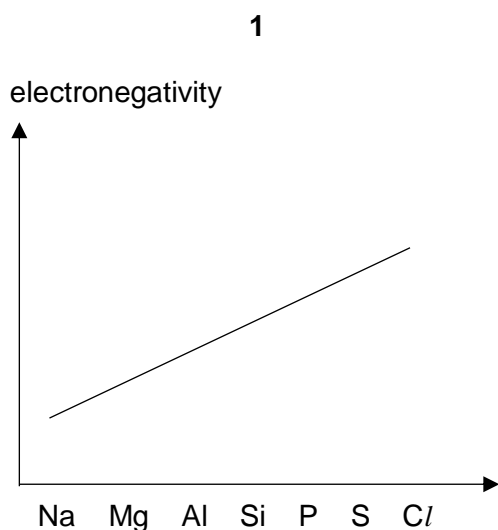
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Each correct answer will score one mark. A mark will not be deducted for a wrong answer.

Any rough working should be done in this booklet.

The use of an approved scientific calculator is expected, where appropriate.

- 1 Which statement about relative atomic mass is correct?
- A** It is the average of the masses of all the isotopes of that element.
- B** It is the sum of the relative masses of the neutrons and protons in each atom.
- C** It is the ratio of the average mass of one atom of an element to the mass of one  $^1\text{H}$  atom.
- D** It is the ratio of the mass of one mole of atoms of an element to one-twelfth the mass of one mole of  $^{12}\text{C}$  atoms.
- 2 Which of the graphs correctly represent the trends in some properties of the Period 3 elements?



- A** 1 and 2      **B** 2 and 3      **C** 3 and 4      **D** 1, 2 and 4

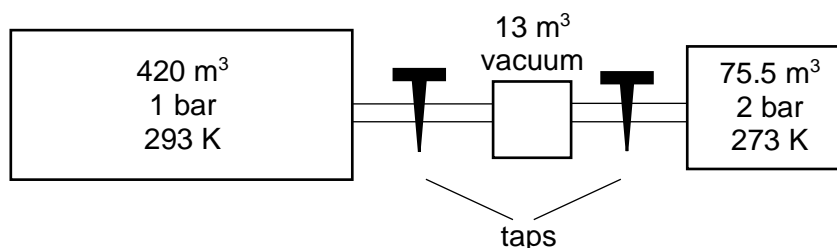
- 3 Which of the following correctly describes the structure and bonding present in the solid lattice of the substances given?

	substance	structure	bonding
<b>A</b>	ice	giant covalent	covalent bonding + hydrogen bonding
<b>B</b>	iodine	simple covalent	covalent bonding + permanent dipoles
<b>C</b>	aluminium chloride	giant ionic	ionic bonding + permanent dipoles
<b>D</b>	graphite	giant covalent	covalent bonding + dispersion forces

- 4 In which of the following pairs is the bond angle in the first species smaller than that in the second species?

- A**  $\text{NH}_4^+$   $\text{XeF}_4$   
**B**  $\text{NF}_3$   $\text{NH}_3$   
**C**  $\text{NO}_2^+$   $\text{SO}_2$   
**D**  $\text{BCl}_3$   $\text{PCl}_3$

- 5 A container with a volume of  $420 \text{ m}^3$  with an internal pressure of 1 bar at 293 K was joined to two containers as shown below. One of them has a volume of  $13 \text{ m}^3$  with a vacuum within, while the other has a volume of  $75.5 \text{ m}^3$  with an internal pressure of 2 bar and a temperature of 273 K.



What is the final pressure, in bar, in the combined containers when the taps were opened and the temperature allowed to equilibrate to 298 K?

- A** 0.84                      **B** 1.12                      **C** 1.16                      **D** 1.19

**6** Use of the Data Booklet is relevant to this question

Sodium percarbonate,  $(\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3)_x \cdot y(\text{H}_2\text{O}_2)$ , is an oxidising agent in some home and laundry cleaning products.

$10.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  sodium percarbonate releases  $45.4 \text{ cm}^3$  of carbon dioxide at s.t.p. on acidification.

An identical sample, on titration with  $0.05 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{KMnO}_4$ , requires  $24.0 \text{ cm}^3$  before the first pink colour appears.  $\text{KMnO}_4$  reacts with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  in the mole ratio 2 : 5.

What is the ratio  $\frac{y}{x}$ ?

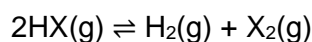
**A**  $\frac{1}{3}$

**B**  $\frac{2}{3}$

**C**  $\frac{3}{2}$

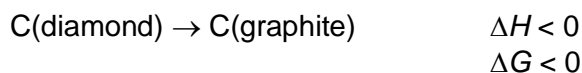
**D**  $\frac{3}{1}$

**7** Which statement correctly explains why the change in Gibbs' free energy of the reaction below is relatively constant when the temperature changes?



- A**  $\Delta S$  is almost zero for all temperatures in which the reactants and products are gases.
- B** The equilibrium constant is not affected by a temperature change.
- C**  $\Delta H$  and  $\Delta S$  do not change with temperature, hence  $\Delta G$  remains constant.
- D** The equilibrium position will shift in such a way to offset the changes in temperature.

**8** The conversion of diamond into graphite is an exothermic reaction.



Which statements are correct?

- 1** The magnitude of the enthalpy change of atomisation of graphite is greater than that for diamond.
- 2** The magnitude of the enthalpy change of combustion of graphite is greater than that for diamond.
- 3** The bond energy of the C–C bonds in graphite is greater than that for diamond.
- 4** The conversion of diamond to graphite does not take place readily due to the high activation energy.

**A** 1 and 2

**B** 1, 3 and 4

**C** 2, 3 and 4

**D** 1, 2, 3 and 4

- 9 Thorium-234 undergoes radioactive decay to form protactinium-234 by emitting a beta particle. This radioactive decay is a first order reaction with a half-life of 24.1 hours.

A rock sample contains a 2 : 3 molar proportion of thorium-234 to protactinium-234. How many hours has the radioactive decay taken place if the sample was initially protactinium-234 free?

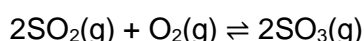
**A** 14.1                      **B** 24.1                      **C** 31.9                      **D** 60.3

- 10 Which suggested mechanism is consistent with the experimentally determined rate equation?

	rate equation	suggested mechanism
<b>1</b>	$\text{rate} = k[\text{NO}]^2[\text{H}_2]$	$2\text{NO} + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{N}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ slow $\text{N}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{N}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ fast
<b>2</b>	$\text{rate} = k[\text{O}_2][\text{N}_2\text{O}_2]$	$2\text{NO} \rightarrow \text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ fast $\text{N}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{NO}_2$ slow
<b>3</b>	$\text{rate} = k[\text{O}_3][\text{Cl} \cdot]$	$\text{Cl} \cdot + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{OCl} \cdot + \text{O}_2$ slow $\text{OCl} \cdot + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 2\text{O}_2 + \text{Cl} \cdot$ fast

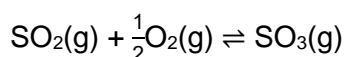
**A** 1 and 2                      **B** 1 and 3                      **C** 2 and 3                      **D** 1, 2 and 3

- 11 The key stage in the manufacture of sulfuric acid is the reaction between sulfur dioxide and oxygen to form sulfur trioxide.



When 0.50 mol of  $\text{SO}_2$  and 1.00 mol of  $\text{O}_2$  were reacted together in a container of volume  $0.5 \text{ dm}^3$ , 0.30 mol of  $\text{SO}_3$  was present in the equilibrium mixture.

What is the numerical value of the equilibrium constant,  $K_c$ , for the equilibrium reaction below?

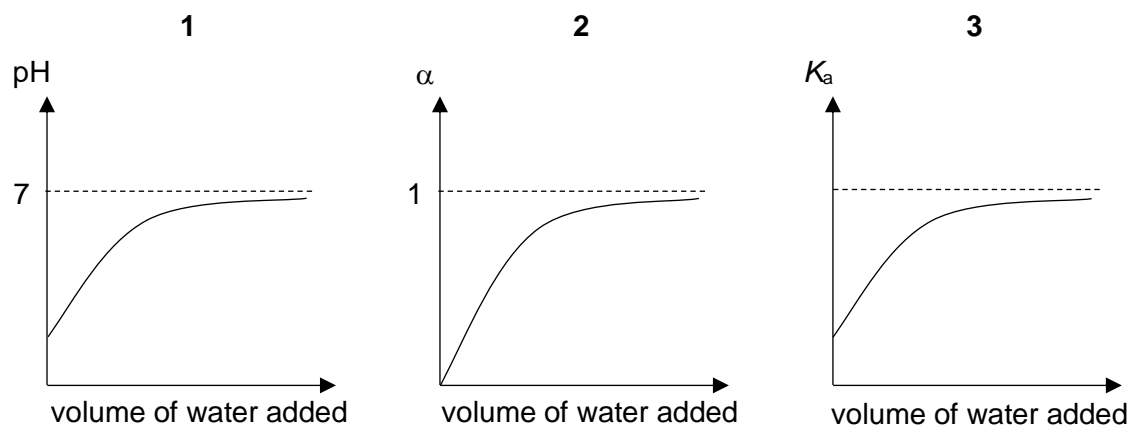


**A** 0.66                      **B** 1.15                      **C** 1.32                      **D** 1.63

- 12 Which statement about the effect of adding a catalyst to a reversible reaction is correct?

- A** It increases the yield of product in the reaction.  
**B** It increases the rate constant for the forward reaction.  
**C** It increases the equilibrium constant of the forward reaction.  
**D** It increases the activation energy of the reverse reaction.

- 13 Which graphs correctly show how the values of pH,  $\alpha$  (degree of dissociation) and  $K_a$  for a weak acid vary with dilution at constant temperature?



- A** 1 only      **B** 1 and 2      **C** 2 and 3      **D** 1, 2 and 3
- 14 Aluminium objects are surface treated by means of anodisation to increase the thickness of the corrosion resistant oxide layer.

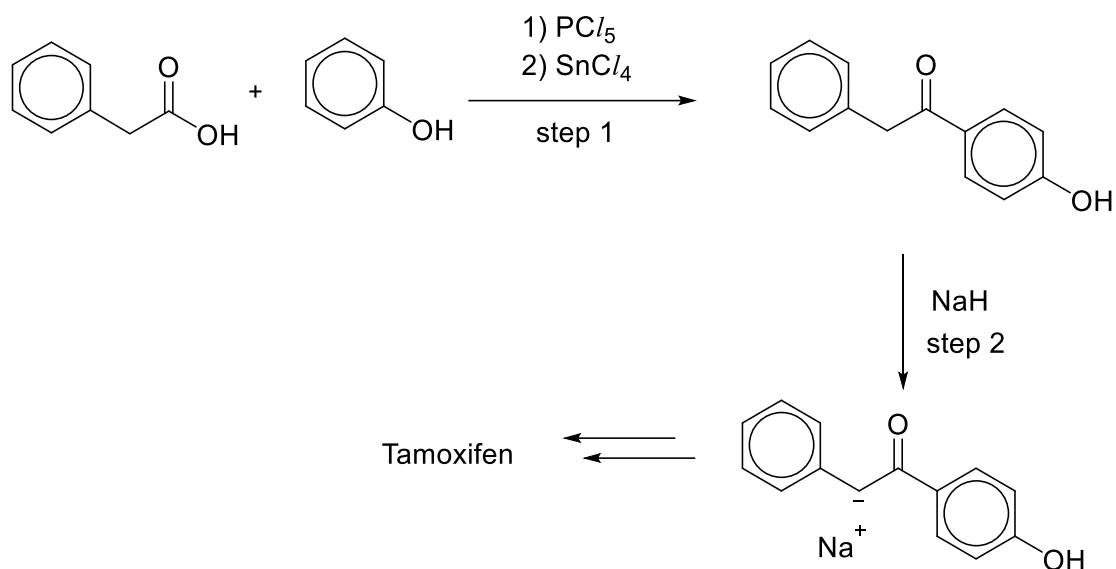
Which factor will affect the mass of the oxide coating in the anodisation process?

- A** size of the current  
**B** size of the cathode  
**C** concentration of electrolyte  
**D** surface area of the aluminium object
- 15 Compound V has the molecular formula  $C_6H_{14}O$ . V has an aliphatic carbon skeleton that is branched and contains a secondary alcohol functional group.

How many constitutional isomers fit this description of V?

- A** 2      **B** 3      **C** 4      **D** 5

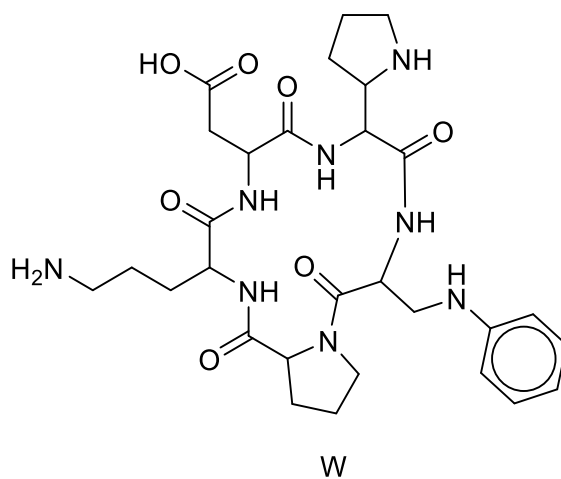
- 16 Tamoxifen is an important drug used in the prevention of breast cancer. The first two steps in the synthesis of Tamoxifen is shown below.



Which of the following correctly describes the type of reaction in each step in the above synthetic pathway?

	step 1	step 2
<b>A</b>	nucleophilic addition	acid-base
<b>B</b>	condensation	elimination
<b>C</b>	electrophilic substitution	elimination
<b>D</b>	electrophilic substitution	acid-base

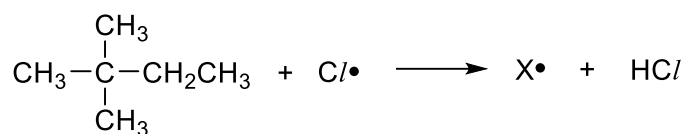
- 17 Compound W is a cyclic oligopeptide.



How many amide linkages exist in compound W?

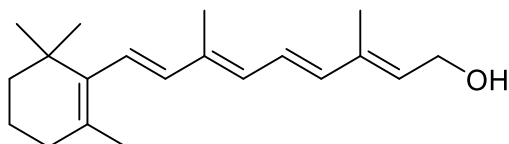
- A** 5      **B** 6      **C** 7      **D** 8

- 18 When heated with chlorine, 2,2-dimethylbutane undergoes free radical substitution. In a propagation step, the free radical  $X\cdot$  is formed by the loss of one hydrogen atom.



How many different forms of  $X\cdot$  are theoretically possible?

- A** 2                      **B** 3                      **C** 4                      **D** 5
- 19 When retinol reacts completely with cold alkaline  $\text{KMnO}_4$ , it forms product Y. How many stereoisomers do retinol and Y have?



retinol

	retinol	Y
<b>A</b>	$2^4$	$2^8$
<b>B</b>	$2^5$	$2^8$
<b>C</b>	$2^4$	$2^{10}$
<b>D</b>	$2^5$	$2^{10}$

- 20 Which compounds may be a possible product of the reaction of  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{OCOCHBrCH}_3$  with sodium hydroxide under different conditions?

- 1  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CO}_2\text{Na}$   
 2  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{CO}_2\text{Na}$   
 3  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{OCOCH}=\text{CH}_2$

- A** 3 only                      **B** 1 and 2                      **C** 2 and 3                      **D** 1, 2 and 3

- 21 3-methylbutan-2-ol is treated with alkaline aqueous iodine. The mixture of products is then acidified.

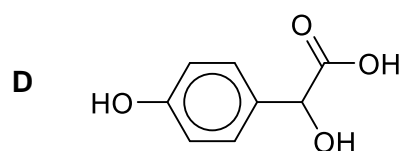
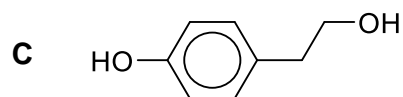
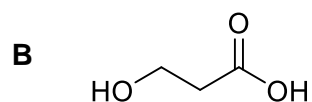
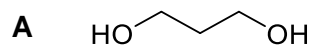
Which compound is present in the final mixture of the products?

- A** propanoic acid  
**B** butanoic acid  
**C** 3-methylbutanoic acid  
**D** 2-methylpropanoic acid

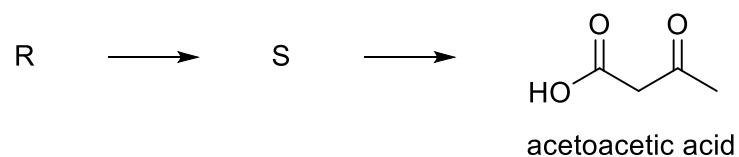


- 22** 1 mol of compound Z reacts with sodium hydroxide to produce 2 mol of water.

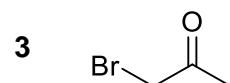
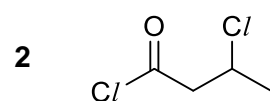
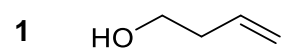
Which compound could Z be?



- 23** Acetoacetic acid can be synthesised in a two-step process starting from R.



What could be the structure of R?



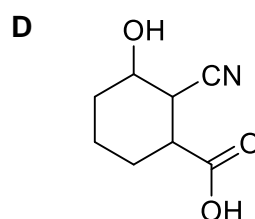
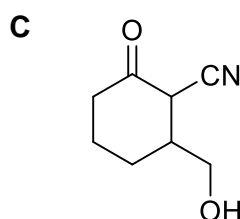
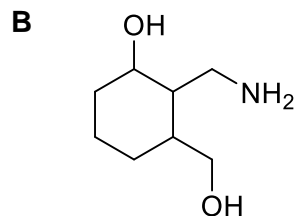
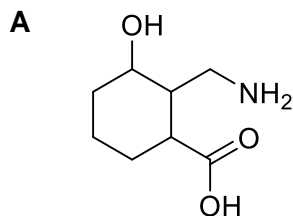
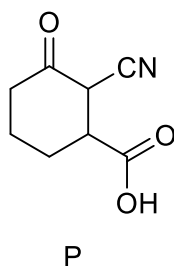
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**B** 1 and 2

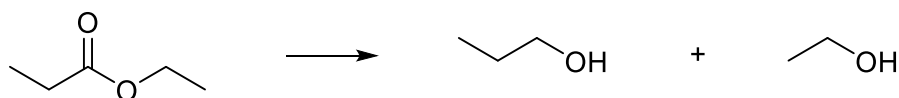
**C** 2 and 3

**D** 1, 2 and 3

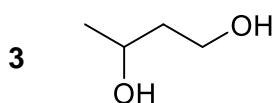
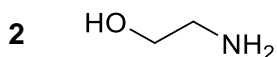
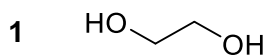
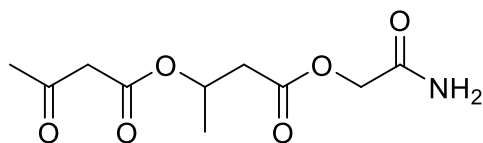
- 24 Which is the correct product formed when P undergoes reduction using excess hydrogen gas and nickel as catalyst?



- 25 Esters can be reduced by  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  in dry ether to give two alcohols as shown below.



What are the possible products formed when the following compound is reacted with  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  in dry ether?



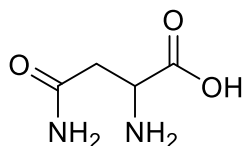
**A** 3 only

**B** 1 and 2

**C** 2 and 3

**D** 1, 2 and 3

- 26 Asparagine is required for the development and function of the brain.



asparagine

Which statements about its structure are correct?

- 1 Asparagine exists in aqueous solution as a zwitterion.
- 2 The side chain ( $-\text{CH}_2\text{CONH}_2$ ) of asparagine is neutral.
- 3 When hot dilute  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  is added to asparagine, a gas which turns damp red litmus paper blue is evolved.

**A** 1 only                      **B** 1 and 2                      **C** 2 and 3                      **D** 1, 2 and 3

- 27 What is the correct order of the pH of the resulting solutions when the oxides below are added to water?

lowest pH  $\longrightarrow$  highest pH

- |          |                       |                       |                |                       |
|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>A</b> | $\text{SO}_3$         | $\text{SiO}_2$        | $\text{MgO}$   | $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ |
| <b>B</b> | $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ | $\text{MgO}$          | $\text{SiO}_2$ | $\text{SO}_3$         |
| <b>C</b> | $\text{MgO}$          | $\text{SiO}_2$        | $\text{SO}_3$  | $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ |
| <b>D</b> | $\text{SO}_3$         | $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ | $\text{MgO}$   | $\text{SiO}_2$        |

- 28 The electrical conductivities of two compounds, T and U, are shown in the table below.

	T	U
conductivity of the compound in the liquid state	good	does not conduct
conductivity of the mixture obtained by adding the compound to water	good	good

What could compounds T and U be?

	T	U
<b>A</b>	$\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$	$\text{SiCl}_4$
<b>B</b>	$\text{NaF}$	$\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$
<b>C</b>	$\text{NaF}$	$\text{SiCl}_4$
<b>D</b>	$\text{SiCl}_4$	$\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$

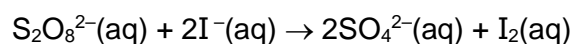
- 29 *Use of the Data Booklet is relevant to this question.*

$\text{Na}_4\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6$  can be oxidised to  $\text{Na}_3\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6$ .

Which reagent can be used to carry out this oxidation?

- A  $\text{SO}_2(\text{g})$
- B  $\text{NO}_2(\text{g})$
- C  $\text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq})$
- D  $\text{I}_2(\text{aq})$

- 30 The rate of reaction between iodide and peroxodisulfate(VI) ions is increased by the presence of small concentrations of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ .



Which property of iron allows it to act as a homogeneous catalyst?

- A high charge density
- B partially filled d subshell
- C variable oxidation states
- D ability to form complex ions

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**SUGGESTED SOLUTIONS**

**Paper 1**

**ANSWERS:**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
D	A	D	B	C	C	A	B	C	B
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
B	B	B	A	C	D	A	B	C	C
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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**Comments**

**1 D**

The definition for atomic mass is the ratio of the average mass of one atom of an element to one-twelfth the mass of one atom of  $^{12}\text{C}$ . In option **D**, the mass of one mole of atoms of an element has already taken into account all the isotopes and their relative abundances.

**2 A**

The electronegativity increases across Period 3 as the effective nuclear charge increases.

The electrical conductivity of the metals Na to Al increases while Si is a semiconductor and the non-metals P, S and Cl are non-conductors.

The atomic radii across Period 3 shows a generally decreasing trend due to the increase in effective nuclear charge across the period.

The melting point increases from Na to Al on account of the increasing metallic bonding strength; the trend peaks at Si which has a giant covalent structure with extensive strong covalent bonding, before showing a decreasing trend for the simple covalent compounds which only have weak dispersion forces between molecules.

**3 D**

Ice has a simple covalent structure. There is hydrogen bonding between water molecules, and covalent bonding between atoms of H and O in each molecule of water.

Iodine has a simple covalent structure. There are dispersion forces between iodine molecules, and covalent bonding between atoms of iodine in each molecule of iodine.

Aluminium chloride has an ionic lattice structure with a large amount of covalency in the solid state at room temperature. Its structure becomes simple covalent just below its melting point resulting in dispersion forces between  $Al_2Cl_6$  molecules. Hence permanent dipole interactions are not found in the solid state.

Graphite has a giant covalent structure with dispersion forces holding the sheets of carbon atoms together.

#### 4 B

<b>Species</b>	<b><math>NH_4^+</math></b>	<b><math>XeF_4</math></b>
<b>Shape</b>	Tetrahedral	Square planar
<b>Bond Angle</b>	$109.5^\circ$	$90^\circ$
<b>Species</b>	<b><math>NF_3</math></b>	<b><math>NH_3</math></b>
<b>Shape</b>	Trigonal pyramidal	Trigonal pyramidal
<b>Bond Angle</b>	$102^\circ$	$107^\circ$
	F is more electronegative than N and so the electron cloud of the N–F bond is distorted towards F. This causes the electron density about N to decrease. Thus, bond pair-bond pair repulsion is weaker around the central N atom in $NF_3$ than in $NH_3$ . Hence, bond angle in $NF_3$ is smaller.	
<b>Species</b>	<b><math>NO_2^+</math></b>	<b><math>SO_2</math></b>
<b>Shape</b>	Linear	Bent
<b>Bond Angle</b>	$180^\circ$	$<120^\circ$
<b>Species</b>	<b><math>BCl_3</math></b>	<b><math>PCl_3</math></b>
<b>Shape</b>	Trigonal planar	Trigonal pyramidal
<b>Bond Angle</b>	$120^\circ$	$107^\circ$

#### 5 C

Since the number of moles of gas in the three containers did not change before and after the taps are opened, the number of moles of gas found in the individual containers before and after the taps are opened should be the same.

$$n_{\text{gas in first container}} + n_{\text{gas in second container}} + n_{\text{gas in third container}} = n_{\text{gas in overall container}}$$

Note that there is no gas in the second container since it contains a vacuum. Thus it is not included in the calculation of the total number of moles of gas.

$$\frac{P_1 V_1}{T_1} + \frac{P_2 V_2}{T_2} = \frac{P_{\text{final}} \times V_{\text{final}}}{T_{\text{final}}}$$

$$\frac{1 \times 420}{293} + \frac{2 \times 75.5}{273} = \frac{P_{\text{final}} \times (420 + 75.5 + 13)}{298}$$

$$P_{\text{final}} = 1.16 \text{ bar}$$

6 C

No. of moles of sodium percarbonate =  $10.0 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.100 = 0.00100$

1 mole of sodium percarbonate produces  $x$  moles of  $\text{CO}_2$ .

No. of moles of carbon dioxide =  $48 \div 24000 = 0.00200$

$$x = \frac{0.00200}{0.00100} = 2$$

No. of moles of  $\text{KMnO}_4 = 0.0500 \times 24.0 \times 10^{-3} = 0.00120$

No. of moles of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 = 0.00120 \times 5 \div 2 = 0.00300$

1 mole of sodium percarbonate produces  $y$  moles of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ .

$$y = \frac{0.00300}{0.00100} = 3$$

Ratio of  $y : x = 3 : 2$

7 A

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$$

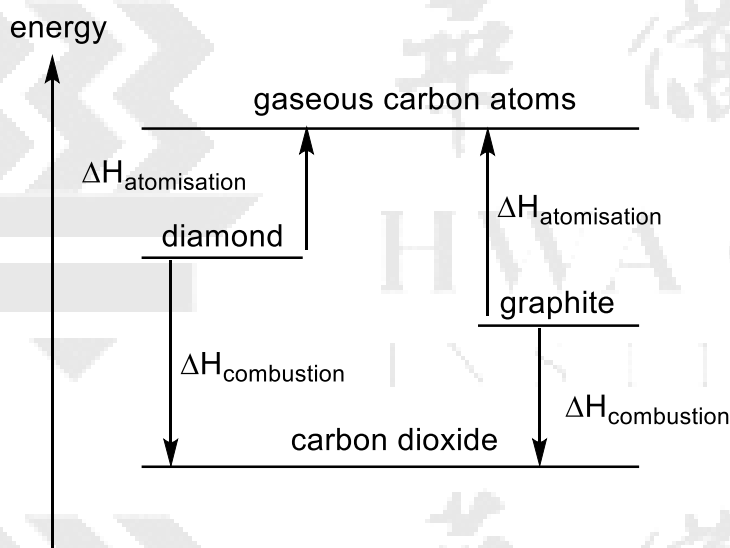
In general,  $\Delta H$  &  $\Delta S$  hardly changes with temperature unless there is a change in the physical state of the reactants or products. Normally,  $\Delta G$  is dependent on the temperature as seen from the equation above.

For this particular reaction,  $\Delta S$  is almost 0 regardless of the temperature since there are equal number of moles of gas on both sides of the arrow. Since  $\Delta S \approx 0$ , therefore  $T\Delta S \approx 0$  and so  $\Delta G \approx \Delta H$ . Thus the  $\Delta G$  of the reaction becomes relatively independent of temperature.

Note also that the equilibrium constant,  $K$ , is always affected by temperature unless  $\Delta H = 0$ .

8 B

The diagram below shows that the magnitude of the  $\Delta H_{\text{atom}}$  for graphite is larger than that for diamond but the magnitude of  $\Delta H_{\text{c}}$  for graphite is smaller than that for diamond.



In graphite, each C atom has a 2p orbital containing one electron that is not used in the formation of C–C bonds. The 2p orbitals can overlap with each other to form a two-dimensional delocalised  $\pi$  bonding system spreading throughout the whole sheet of atoms. Thus, the C–C bonds in graphite have partial double bond character. Thus the C–C bonds in graphite are stronger than those in diamond. This is also evident from the larger magnitude of  $\Delta H_{\text{atom}}$  of graphite.

The rearrangement of atoms in a tetrahedral structure of carbon atoms in diamond to the trigonal planar structure of carbon atoms in graphite requires a lot of energy as many strong covalent bonds are broken. This constitutes a very high activation energy such that conversion of diamond to graphite is kinetically unfavorable despite the process having a negative  $\Delta G$ .

## 9 C

The number of half-lives that it takes rock sample to decay to a ratio of 2:3 for thorium-234 to protactinium-234 is calculated as follows. Hence fraction of thorium-234 in the rock sample =  $\frac{2}{2+3} = \frac{2}{5}$

$$1 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$n = 1.32 \text{ half-lives}$$

where 1 = amount of thorium-234 at the start, and  $\frac{2}{5}$  is the amount of thorium at the end of the time period of radioactive decay.

$$\text{Time taken} = 1.322 \times 24.1 = 31.9 \text{ hr}$$

In this question, the strategy is to recognize that more than one half-life, but less than two half-lives, have passed. So the logical answer would lie between 24.1 h and 48.2 h.

## 10 B



In order to find the correct rate equation based on the suggested reaction mechanisms, the following steps must be taken.

The species found in the rate equation should only include the reactants and not any of the intermediates formed in the mechanism. It is helpful to write down the overall chemical equation so that the reactants are not confused with any of the intermediates.

The stoichiometry of each reactant in the slow step of a mechanism is reflected as the order of reaction of that reactant in the overall rate equation.

1. Overall equation:  $2\text{NO} + 2\text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{N}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

The reactants in the slow step consist of those found in the overall equation. This means that two NO molecules and one H<sub>2</sub> molecule are involved in the rate determining step. The rate equation should reflect this. Hence the rate equation should be  $\text{rate} = k[\text{NO}]^2[\text{H}_2]$ .

2. Overall equation:  $2\text{NO} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{NO}_2$

The reactants in the slow step contain the intermediate N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> and reactant O<sub>2</sub>. Hence the rate law based on the slow step would look like this.

$$\text{rate} = k[\text{N}_2\text{O}_2][\text{O}_2] \text{ --- equation 1}$$

However, N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> should not appear in the rate equation. We need to substitute [N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>] with the concentration of reactants that produced this intermediate into equation 1, giving  $\text{rate} = k[\text{NO}]^2[\text{O}_2]$ . Although the rate equation seems to indicate a termolecular reaction mechanism, the suggested mechanism shows otherwise.

3. Overall equation  $2\text{O}_3 \rightarrow 3\text{O}_2$

In the slow step, one molecule of O<sub>3</sub> reacts with one atom of Cl. Hence the overall rate equation should be  $\text{rate} = k[\text{O}_3][\text{Cl}]$ . The species Cl is a homogenous catalyst since it is used up in step one and regenerated in step 2. It should appear in the rate equation as it affects the rate of reaction even if it does not appear in the overall equation.

## 11 B

	2SO <sub>3</sub> (g)	+	O <sub>2</sub> (g)	⇌	2SO <sub>3</sub> (g)
I / mol	0.50		1.00		–
C / mol	– 0.30		– 0.15		+ 0.30
E / mol	0.20		0.85		0.30

The equilibrium constant expression for the formation of SO<sub>3</sub> is written as follows:

$$K = \frac{P_{\text{SO}_3}^2}{P_{\text{SO}_2}^2 P_{\text{O}_2}}$$

$$K = \frac{\left(\frac{0.30}{0.5}\right)^2}{\left(\frac{0.20}{0.5}\right)^2 \left(\frac{0.85}{0.5}\right)} = \frac{45}{34}$$

The equilibrium constant expression for the equation  $\text{SO}_2(\text{g}) + \frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons \text{SO}_3(\text{g})$  is written as follows:

$$K_c = \frac{P_{\text{SO}_3}}{P_{\text{SO}_2}(P_{\text{O}_2})^{1/2}}$$

$$K_c = \sqrt{K} = 1.15$$

12 B

Adding a catalyst to a reversible reaction increases the rate of the forward and backward reactions equally. The equilibrium position is not affected, so the yield of the reaction is not affected by the catalysis. The catalyst merely causes equilibrium to be reached at a faster rate. The catalyst does **not** lower the activation energy of the original reaction pathway, but provides an alternative reaction pathway with a lower activation energy for both the forward and backward reactions.

13 B

See Topic 15, page 14. The graph for  $\alpha$  vs  $V$  should be similar to that for  $\text{pH}$  vs  $V$ . As the volume of acid increases due to adding more water to dilute the acid, the  $\text{pH}$  will keep increasing while the extent of dissociation increases to almost 1 (i.e. almost complete dissociation). The  $\text{pH}$  should not exceed 7, which is the  $\text{pH}$  of water.  $K_a$  only changes with temperature.

14 A

The chemical equation for the oxidation process at the anode is given as follows:



$$Q = I \times t = n_e \times F$$

$$n_e = It/F \text{ ----- (1)}$$

$$n_e : n_{\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3} = 6 : 1 \text{ from the equation. Hence, } n_e = 6 \times n_{\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3} \text{ ----- (2)}$$

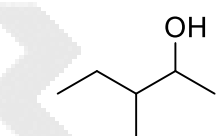
Therefore, substituting (2) into (1):  $n_{\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3} = It/(6F)$

$$\text{mass of Al}_2\text{O}_3 = It/(6F) \times M_r(\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3)$$

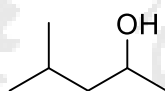
As can be seen, the mass of  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  produced is only dependent on the current that passes through the circuit, and the time in which the current has passed through.

15 C

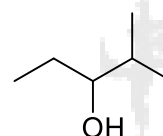
For the molecular formula  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{14}\text{O}$  to be a secondary alcohol with a branched chain, we should start with a five-carbon backbone and the  $-\text{OH}$  group in the 2<sup>nd</sup> position first, then in the 3<sup>rd</sup> position. Then explore a four-carbon backbone and place the  $-\text{OH}$  group in the 2<sup>nd</sup> position. Hence, there are a total of 4 constitutional isomers.



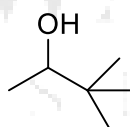
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4-methylpentan-2-ol



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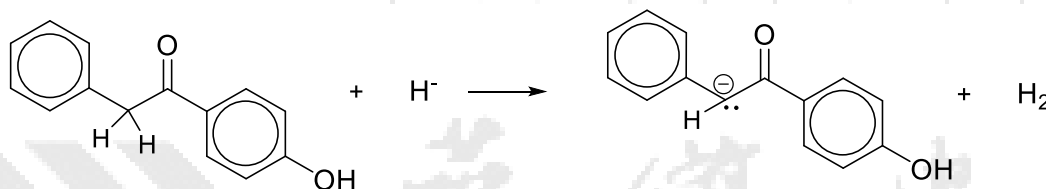


3,3-dimethylbutan-2-ol

16 D

**Step 1** involves the attack of the electron-deficient C atom on the C=O group of the phenylethanoic acid (the electrophile) on the benzene ring of phenol. The electrophile substitutes the H atom on the benzene ring of phenol. Hence reaction 1 is an electrophilic substitution.

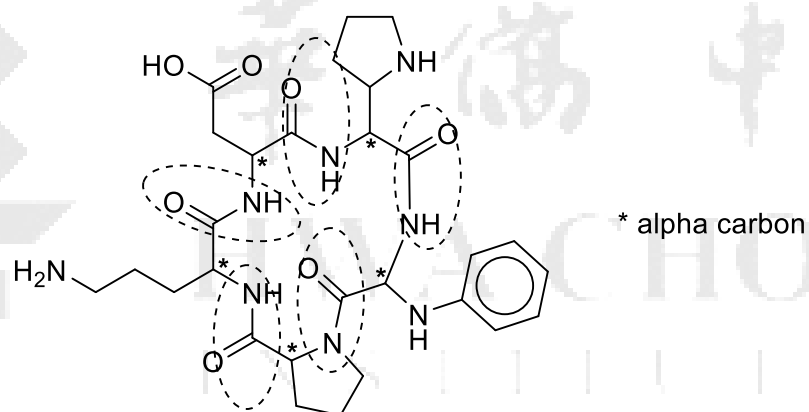
In **Step 2**, NaH provides the  $\text{H}^-$  anion, which abstracts a  $\text{H}^+$  from the carbon next to the C=O group. This is an acid-base reaction with the ketone acting as the acid since it donates a  $\text{H}^+$  ion, while the  $\text{H}^-$  acts as the base in receiving the  $\text{H}^+$ .



17 A

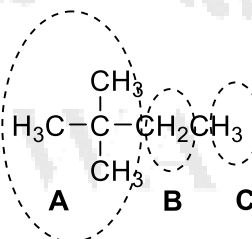
Identify the alpha-carbons in the backbone of the oligopeptide (in \*). You can then easily identify the amide linkages in compound W (circled below). If you are confused as to what is an amide, refer to the table below.

Primary amides	Substituted amides	

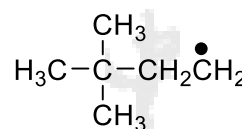
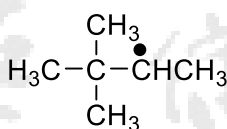
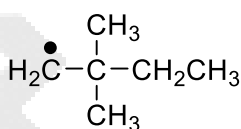


18 B

There are three different types of environments in which the hydrogens in 2,2-dimethylbutane are in, which are circled below.

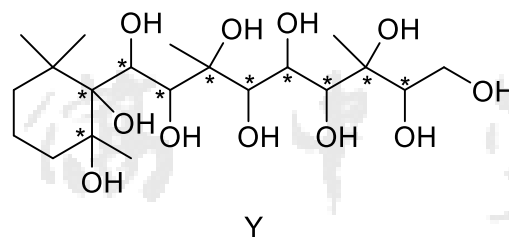
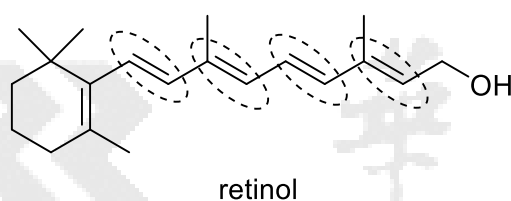


Hence, the 3 different radicals you can obtain from abstracting each type of hydrogen respectively are:



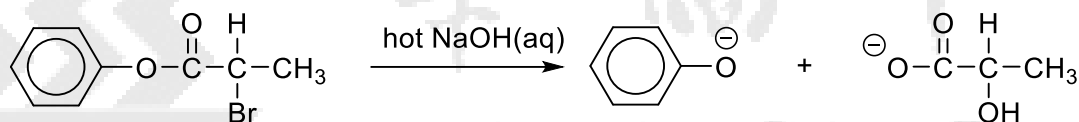
19 C

The C=C in retinol (except that in the cyclic ring) will exhibit cis-trans isomerism, hence  $2^4$ . After mild oxidation to form the diol, all 5 C=C will undergo addition and give 10 chiral carbons, hence  $2^{10}$ .



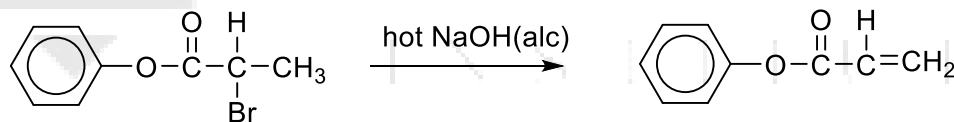
20 C

The bromoalkane undergoes nucleophilic substitution and the ester group undergoes alkaline hydrolysis with hot NaOH(aq).



(option 2)

Bromoalkane can undergo elimination with hot ethanolic NaOH.

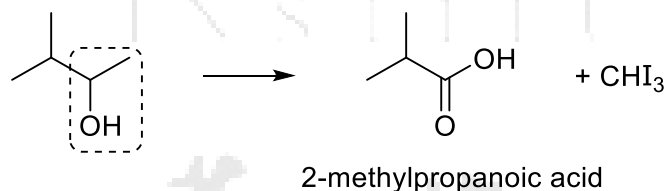


(option 3)

There are other possible products that can form from the reaction above, but they are not in the options provided. Option 1 will not be formed no matter what as no reaction would yield a benzoate ion as a possible product.

21 D

Identify the presence of  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH(OH)-}$  group in the alcohol. The products formed after acidification are the carboxylic acid below and iodine.

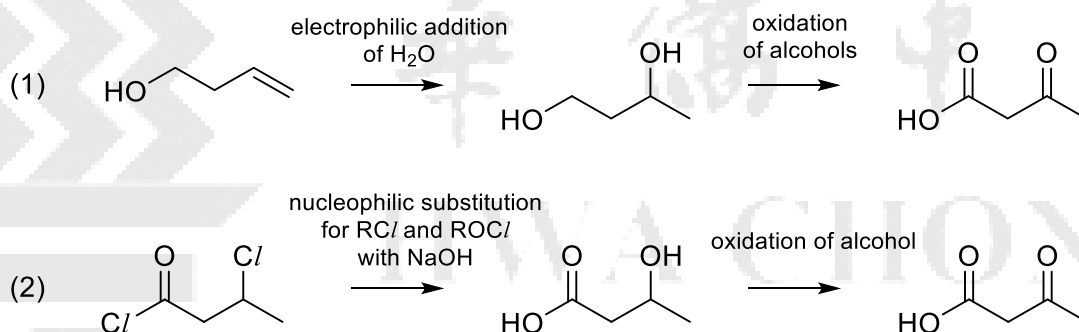


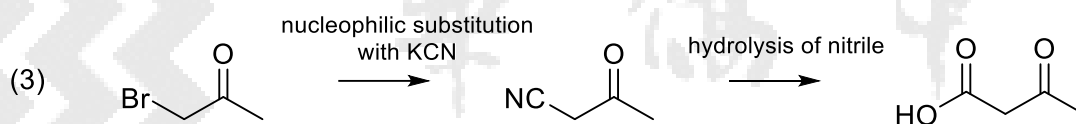
22 D

There must be 2 acidic groups in compound X which undergo acid-base reaction with NaOH(aq) since 2 mol of water is formed. Only phenols and carboxylic acids are strong enough acids to react with NaOH, but alcohols are too weak to donate a proton to NaOH.

23 D

Think of the possible transformations to form a ketone and carboxylic acid.



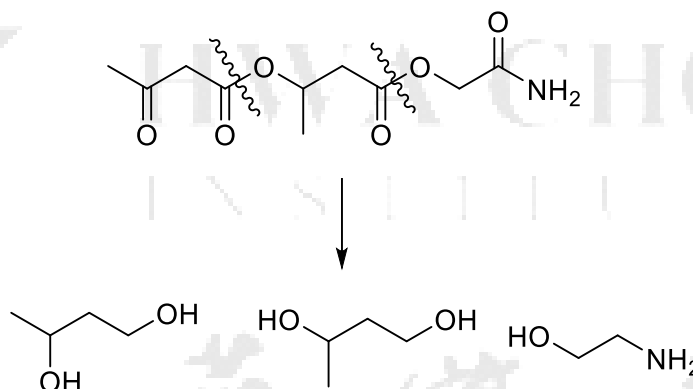


24 A

Ketones and nitriles can be reduced by  $\text{H}_2/\text{Ni}$  but not carboxylic acids. Refer to summary of oxidising and reducing agents on pg 105 of Organic Chemistry (II) lecture notes.

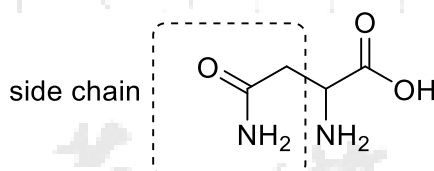
25 C

Apply the same pattern of reduction across the ester bonds to alcohols, bearing in mind that ketones are also reduced to secondary alcohols and amides are reduced to amines. Hence a total of three fragments are produced after the reaction.

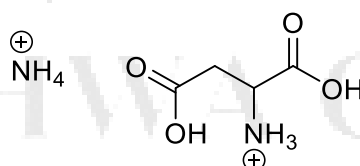


26 B

- (1) Asparagine exists in solution as a zwitterion as it undergoes an intramolecular acid-base reaction.
- (2)  $\alpha$ -amino acids have the amino and carboxyl groups bonded directly to the same  $\alpha$ -carbon, differing only in the side chain bonded directly to the  $\alpha$ -carbon. The amide functional group in the side chain is neutral.



- (3) The side chain of asparagine will undergo acidic hydrolysis to give the two products below. No ammonia gas is evolved.



27 A

Ionic oxides tend to be basic in nature, hence higher pH. Covalent oxides tend to be acidic oxides, hence lower pH.  $\text{SiO}_2$  is insoluble in water, hence neutral pH. Refer to summary of properties of oxides on pg 15 of Inorganic Chemistry lecture notes.

28 C

$\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  is an inorganic ionic compound, but is insoluble in water, hence it shouldn't conduct electricity when dissolved in water. When molten, however, its ions are mobile and it will be able to conduct electricity.

$\text{SiCl}_4$  exists as simple discrete covalent molecules and cannot conduct electricity. However, it undergoes complete hydrolysis in water to give  $\text{HCl}(\text{aq})$ , which dissociates to give  $\text{H}^+$  and  $\text{Cl}^-$  ions which are mobile charge carriers.

$\text{NaF}$  is an inorganic ionic compound, dissolving in water to give  $\text{Na}^+$  and  $\text{F}^-$  ions, which are mobile charge carriers.

29 D

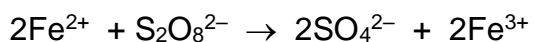
$$E^\ominus([\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}/[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}) = +0.36\text{V}$$

To oxidise  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$ , we need to find an oxidising reagent (which can be reduced) and whose  $E^\ominus$  is more positive than +0.36V.

In your data booklet,  $\text{SO}_2$  and  $\text{NO}_2$  are both reducing agents as they can only be oxidized (found on right hand side of half-equations), hence both cannot be used.  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  and  $\text{I}_2$  are both oxidising agents, and their  $E^\ominus$  values are +0.34V and +0.54V respectively, hence  $\text{I}_2$  is the only one which can be used.

30 C

A homogeneous catalyst operates in the same phase as the reactants. Iron exhibits variable oxidation states which allows it to perform its role.



$$E^\ominus_{\text{cell}} = 2.01 - 0.77 = +1.24\text{ V}$$



$$E^\ominus_{\text{cell}} = 0.77 - 0.54 = +0.23\text{ V}$$



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Paper 2 Structured Questions

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Candidates answer on the Question Paper

Additional Materials: Data Booklet

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**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

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Write in dark blue or black pen.

You may use a HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

Answer all questions in the spaces provided in the Question Paper.

The use of an approved scientific calculator is expected, where appropriate.

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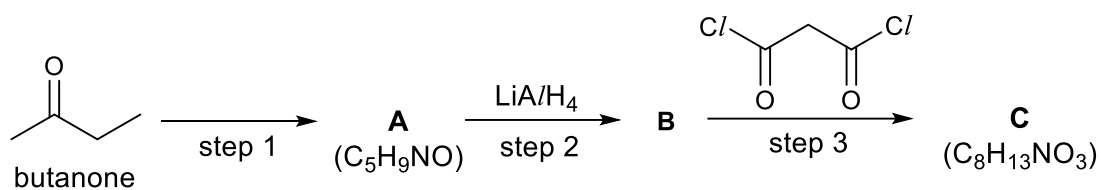
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- 1 (a) Butanone can be converted to compound **C** via the following series of reactions.



- (i) Suggest the reagents and conditions for step 1.

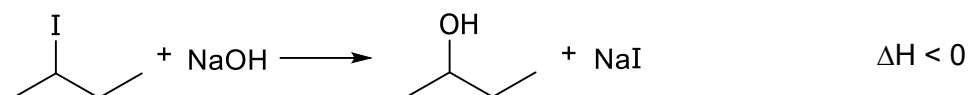
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- (ii) In the boxes below, draw the structures of compounds **A**, **B** and **C**.

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>C</b>	

[3]

- (b) 2-iodobutane is converted to its corresponding alcohol by heating with aqueous sodium hydroxide.



The rate equation is:

$$\text{rate} = k[\text{2-iodobutane}][\text{NaOH}]$$

- (i) Describe the mechanism of this reaction. In your answer you should show all charges and lone pairs and show the movement of electrons by curly arrows.

[3]

- (ii) Draw a fully labelled reaction pathway diagram for the reaction between 2-iodobutane and sodium hydroxide.

[2]

- (c) Describe and explain how the volatilities of the halogens vary from chlorine to iodine.

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(d) Some hydrogen halides are unstable to heat.

(i) Write an equation for the reaction undergone on heating a hydrogen halide.

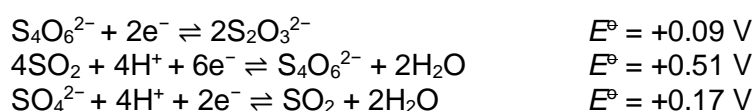
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(ii) Describe and explain how the thermal stabilities of the hydrogen halides (HCl, HBr and HI) vary down the group.

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(e) When sodium thiosulfate,  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ , is reacted with bromine,  $\text{NaHSO}_4$  is formed. However, when  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$  reacts with iodine,  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_4\text{O}_6$  is formed instead.

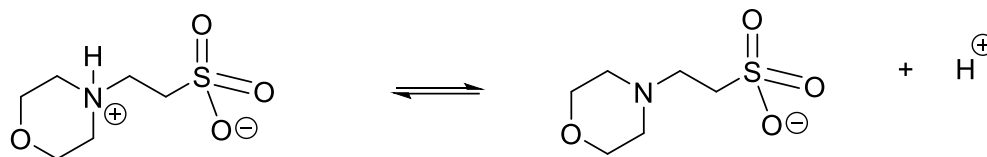
Use the following data, and data from the *Data Booklet*, to suggest an explanation for this difference.



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- 2 (a) 4-Morpholineethanesulfonic acid (MES) is commonly used to prepare buffer solutions. In aqueous solution, MES exists as a dipolar ion which dissociates to give  $\text{H}^+$  ions:



4-Morpholineethanesulfonic acid  
(MES)

**FA 1** is a buffer solution prepared from MES with a pH of 5.5. The ratio of MES and its conjugate base is 4:1.

- (i) Determine the  $\text{p}K_{\text{a}}$  of MES.

[1]

- (ii) State the mole ratio of MES to its conjugate base if the  $\text{pH} = \text{p}K_{\text{a}}$  of MES.

[1]

A student titrated  $10.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of **FA 1** with aqueous sodium hydroxide, and found that  $20.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of aqueous NaOH was required for complete neutralisation.

- (iii) What volume of aqueous NaOH should be added to  $10.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of **FA 1** such that the pH of the resulting solution becomes equal to  $\text{p}K_{\text{a}}$  of MES?

[2]

- (iv) Write an equation to show why the pH at equivalence point is more than 7.

[1]

- (v) The pH of the solution at equivalence point is 9.4. Suggest a suitable indicator for the titration of **FA 1** with aqueous NaOH, giving a reason for your choice.

Indicators	Working range
Congo red	3.0 – 5.0
Cresolphthalein	8.2 – 9.8
Indigo carmine	11.4 – 13.0

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- (b) Zymase, an enzyme that occurs naturally in yeasts, catalyses the fermentation of sugar into ethanol and carbon dioxide.

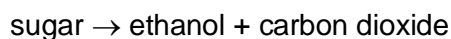
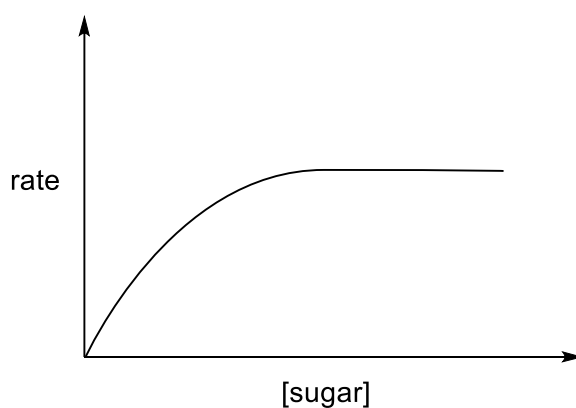


Fig. 2.1 shows the results of an investigation of the initial rate of fermentation of sugar by zymase. In the experiments, the initial concentration of sugar was varied but that of zymase was kept constant.



**Fig. 2.1**

- (i) Explain fully the shape of the graph.

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- (ii) Sketch on Fig. 2.1 the shape of the line you would expect when the amount of zymase added was increased. [1]

- (iii) Three other experiments were carried out to measure the initial rates of fermentation at different concentrations of sugar and zymase. The results are shown in Table 2.2.

**Table 2.2**

Experiment	[sugar] /mol dm <sup>-3</sup>	[zymase] /mol dm <sup>-3</sup>	Relative initial rate
1	0.20	0.10	1
2	0.40	0.10	2
3	0.10	0.20	1

Deduce the orders of reaction with respect to sugar and zymase, showing how you arrive at your answers.

[3]

[Total:13]

3 This question is about alkynes, which are hydrocarbons that contain a carbon-carbon triple bond.

(a) In the past, ethyne gas,  $C_2H_2$ , was prepared from calcium carbide,  $CaC_2$ . Calcium carbide is a crystalline solid with a melting point of approximately  $2160\text{ }^{\circ}C$ .

(i) Draw the dot-and-cross diagram of  $CaC_2$ .

[1]

(ii) When excess water with a drop of universal indicator is added to some calcium carbide, ethyne is produced and the solution changes from green before the reaction, to blue after the reaction is complete.

Write an equation, with state symbols, for this reaction.

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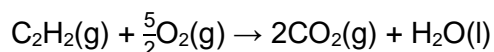
(b) (i) Draw the structure of ethyne, showing correct geometry, and clearly indicate the bond angle in your drawing. State the type of hybridisation of the carbon atoms in ethyne.

Type of hybridisation of carbon: ..... [2]

(ii) Ethyne gas approaches ideal behavior at room temperature and pressure. Identify, and explain, **two** characteristics of ethyne that enable it to exhibit ideal gas behaviour.

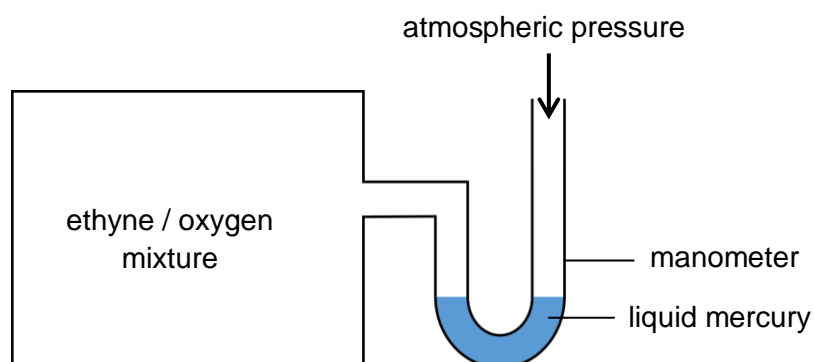
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- (c) When completely combusted, ethyne reacts with oxygen according to the following equation:



A fixed-volume flask containing a mixture of ethyne and oxygen is connected to a manometer.

The manometer consists of a U-tube containing some liquid mercury, which is exposed to atmospheric pressure at one end. Initially, the mercury levels on both arms are at the same height, as shown in Fig. 3.1 below.



**Fig 3.1**

When the mixture in the flask was combusted, the final mercury levels in the manometer showed a difference in height of 65 mm. All measurements were made at room temperature and pressure. [“mm Hg” is a unit of pressure, where 760 mm Hg = 1 atm]

The initial partial pressures of ethyne and oxygen are  $x$  and  $y$  mm Hg respectively. After the combustion, the partial pressure of ethyne changed by  $p$  mm Hg.

- (i) Express the total initial pressure in the flask in terms of  $x$  and  $y$  and state its value in mm Hg.

[1]

- (ii) Express the total pressure after the combustion in terms of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $p$ ;

[1]



- (iii) Hence, show that the difference in height of 65 mm in the mercury levels is due to a **decrease** in pressure inside the flask.

- (iv) Determine the value of  $p$  to 1 decimal place. [1]

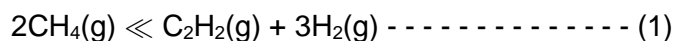
- (v) Hence, calculate [1]

(I) the partial pressure, in mm Hg, of carbon dioxide formed after the combustion;

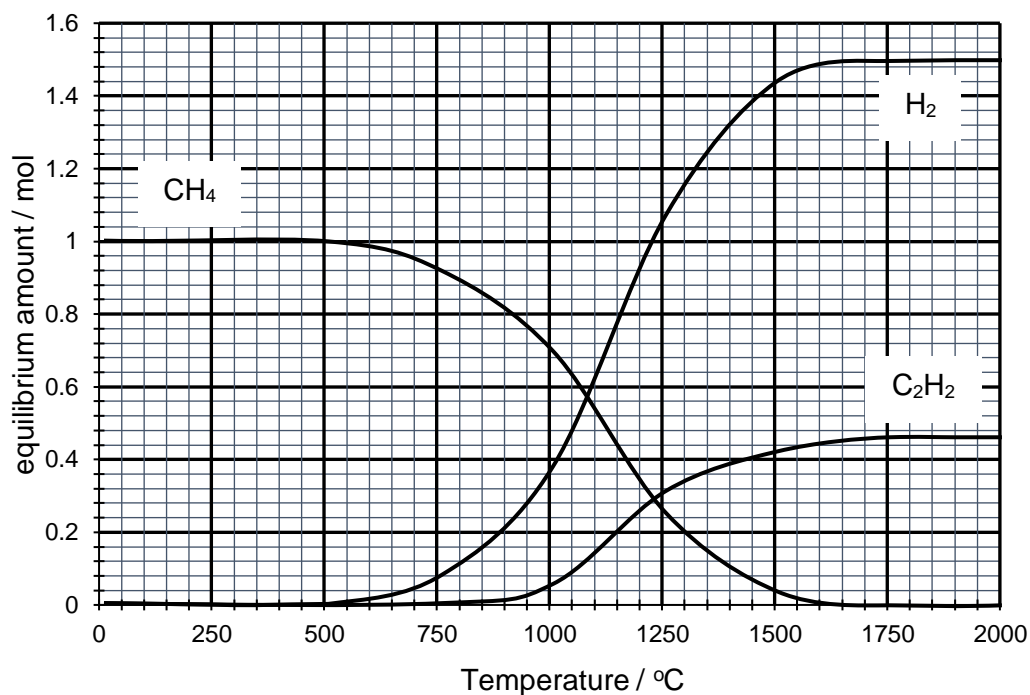
(II) the values of  $x$  and  $y$ , assuming all the oxygen was used up during the combustion, and only carbon dioxide and water were produced in the process.

[2]

- (d) In more recent years, ethyne has been largely manufactured from methane. One such conversion only employs heat, and produces ethyne according to the following equilibrium:



Equilibrium compositions during the conversion of methane to ethyne in a  $0.100 \text{ m}^3$  vessel may be predicted using the simulated data below.



- (i) Assuming the gases behave ideally in the range of temperatures shown in the graph, use the simulated data to calculate the pressure of hydrogen gas in the vessel at  $1250 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ .

[2]

- (ii) Show that, for equilibrium (1) at 1250 °C,

$$K_p = \frac{(n_{\text{H}_2})^3 (n_{\text{C}_2\text{H}_2})}{(n_{\text{CH}_4})^2} \times \left(\frac{RT}{V}\right)^2$$

where

R is the molar gas constant

T is the temperature in the vessel

V is the volume of the vessel

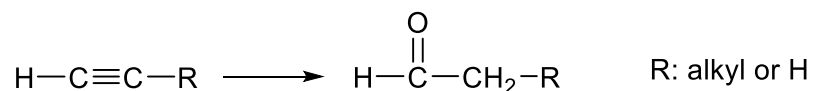
and hence, calculate  $K_p$ , showing its units.

[3]

- (iii) State how the value of  $K_p$  for equilibrium (1) would change when the temperature is changed from 1250 °C to 1000 °C.

.....[1]

- (e) Terminal alkynes can undergo hydroboration-oxidation reactions, as shown below.



- (i) Draw and name the product formed when propyne,  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_4$ , undergoes hydroboration-oxidation.

name of product: .....[2]

- (ii) Describe a simple chemical test to distinguish propyne from the product you have drawn in (e)(i). You may assume that propyne reacts similarly to propene.

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[Total: 22]

4 Aromatic compounds like benzene tend to undergo electrophilic substitution reactions.

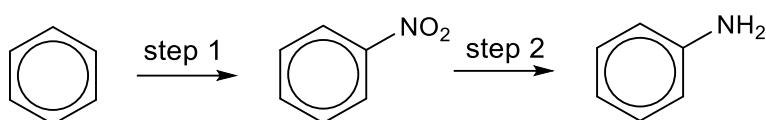
(a) Explain why aromatic compounds are reactive towards electrophiles but not nucleophiles.

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 ..... [1]

(b) Explain why aromatic compounds tend to undergo substitution reactions instead of addition reactions.

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 ..... [1]

(c) Benzene is a starting material for the synthesis of phenylamine.



(i) State the reagents and conditions for steps 1 and 2.

step 1: .....

step 2: .....[2]

(ii) Phenylamine reacts readily with excess aqueous bromine to give a white solid **X**. Identify **X** and write a balanced equation for the reaction that occurs.

[2]

(iii) Suggest the order of reactivity of benzene, nitrobenzene and phenylamine with liquid bromine. Explain your answer.

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 .....[2]

(iv) Draw the structure of the monobrominated organic product formed when nitrobenzene reacts with liquid bromine.

[1]

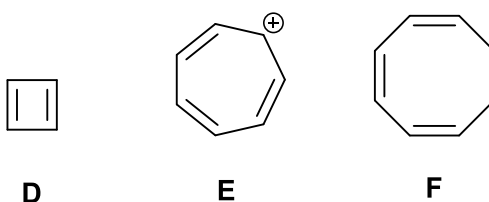
In 1931, the German chemist Erich Hückel formulated a theory to help determine if a species would be considered aromatic. This rule became known as Hückel's rule.

An aromatic species must satisfy all the following criteria:

1. It must be cyclic.
2. Every atom in the ring must have a p orbital.
3. Each p orbital must overlap the p orbitals from either side in a continuous fashion to form a closed loop, which means the structure has to be planar for effective overlap.
4. The cyclic system must contain  $(4n+2)$  delocalised  $\pi$  electrons, where  $n$  is 0 or a positive integer (1, 2, 3 etc.)

For example, benzene is aromatic because it satisfies all the four criteria, with 6 delocalised  $\pi$  electrons ( $n = 1$ ).

(d) Consider the following species.

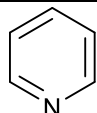
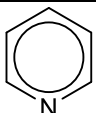
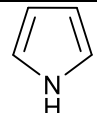
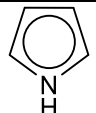




Which species are **not** aromatic? Explain your answer briefly.

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 .....[2]

Table 4.1 shows information on three aromatic compounds which obey Hückel's rule.

**Table 4.1**

compound	hypothetical structure of compound	actual structure of compound	$pK_b$	resonance energy/ $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$	boiling point/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$
pyridine			8.6	134	115
pyrrole			13.6	100	129
furan				80	31

The hypothetical structures of the compounds in Table 4.1 assume that there is no delocalisation of  $\pi$  electrons in the rings. However, in reality, delocalisation of  $\pi$  electrons gives rise to the extra stability of the aromatic compounds. The resonance energy is defined as the energy difference between the actual structure and hypothetical structure of each compound.

- (e) (i) All the carbon and nitrogen atoms in pyrrole are  $sp^2$  hybridised.

Draw the arrangement of all the hybridised and unhybridised orbitals of the nitrogen atom in pyrrole. Label the orbitals clearly.

[2]

- (ii) Pyrrole has six electrons in the delocalised  $\pi$  electron cloud.

How many electrons does the nitrogen atom in pyrrole contribute to the delocalised  $\pi$  electron cloud? You may find it useful to consider the hypothetical structure of pyrrole.

.....[1]

- (iii) The nitrogen atom in pyrrole has a lone pair of electrons. Suggest the orbital in which the lone pair resides.

.....[1]

- (iv) Hence, using your answers in (e)(ii) and (e)(iii), suggest why the  $pK_b$  of pyrrole is so high.

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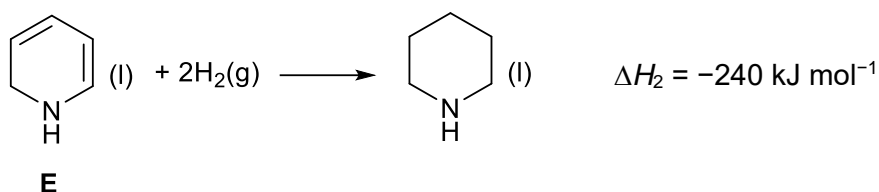
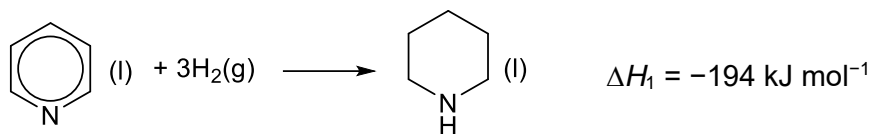
- (f) (i) Furan can behave differently from benzene in its reactions. Under certain conditions, furan undergoes electrophilic addition instead of electrophilic substitution. Based on your answer in (b), explain this phenomenon, using relevant data from Table 4.1.

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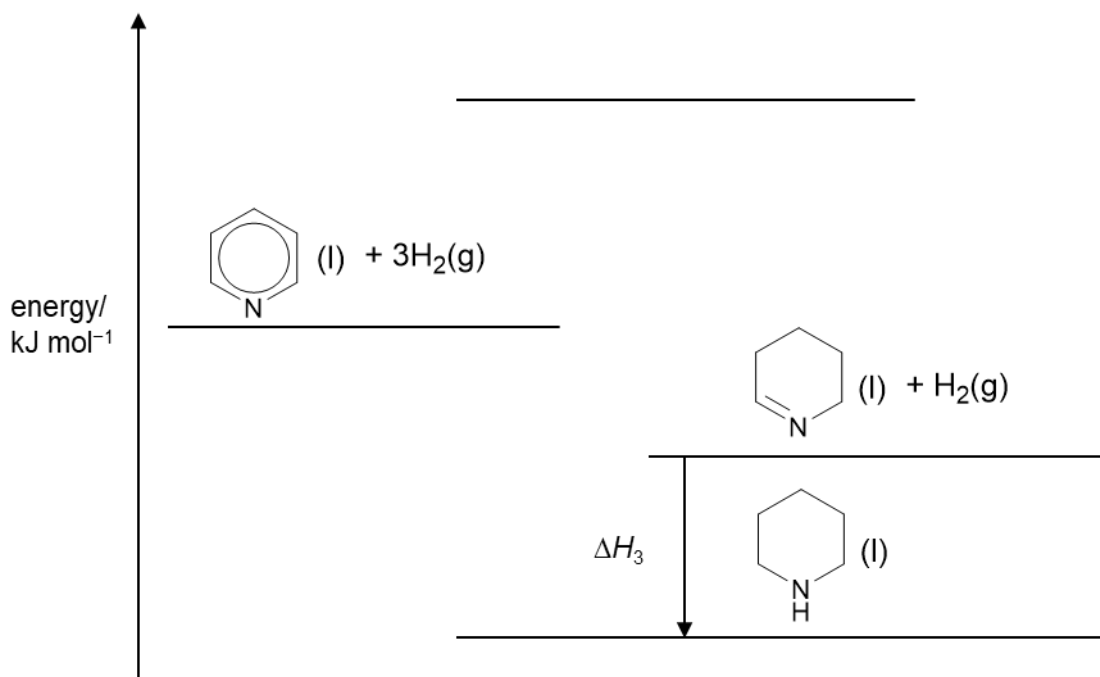
- (ii) Furan can form hydrogen bonds when added to ethanol. Draw a diagram to show how hydrogen bonding occurs between one molecule of furan and one molecule of ethanol and explain how this interaction arises.

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.....[2]

- (g) The enthalpy changes of hydrogenation of pyridine and compound **E** can be represented by the equations below:



Using the information above and relevant data from Table 4.1, complete the energy diagram below and use it to calculate  $\Delta H_3$ .



$$\Delta H_3 = \dots\dots\dots \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

[3]

[Total: 23]

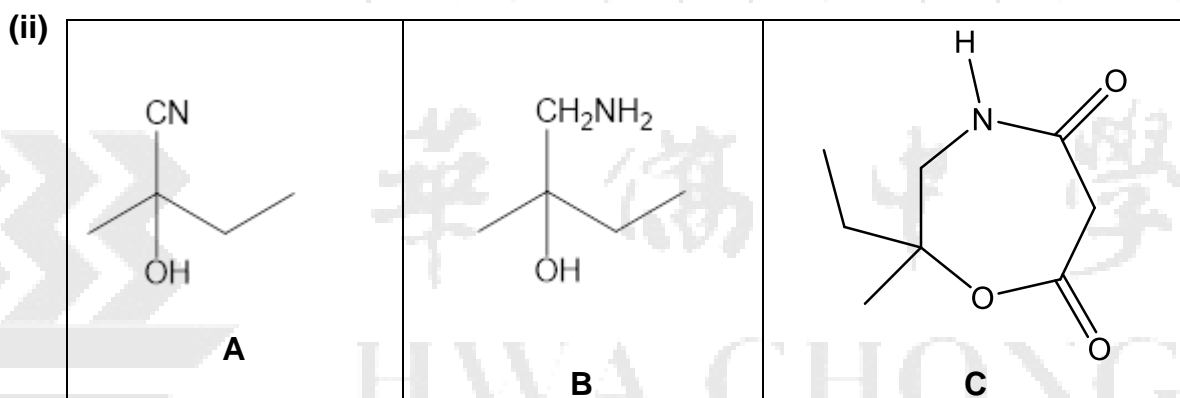
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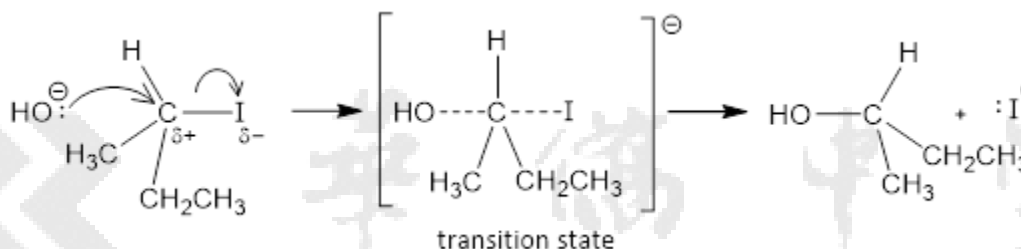
**Paper 2**

1 (a) (i) HCN with trace amount of KCN (or NaOH(aq)), cold [1]



[1] for each correct structure

(b) (i) Mechanism: **Bimolecular** Nucleophilic Substitution (**S<sub>N</sub>2**) [1]



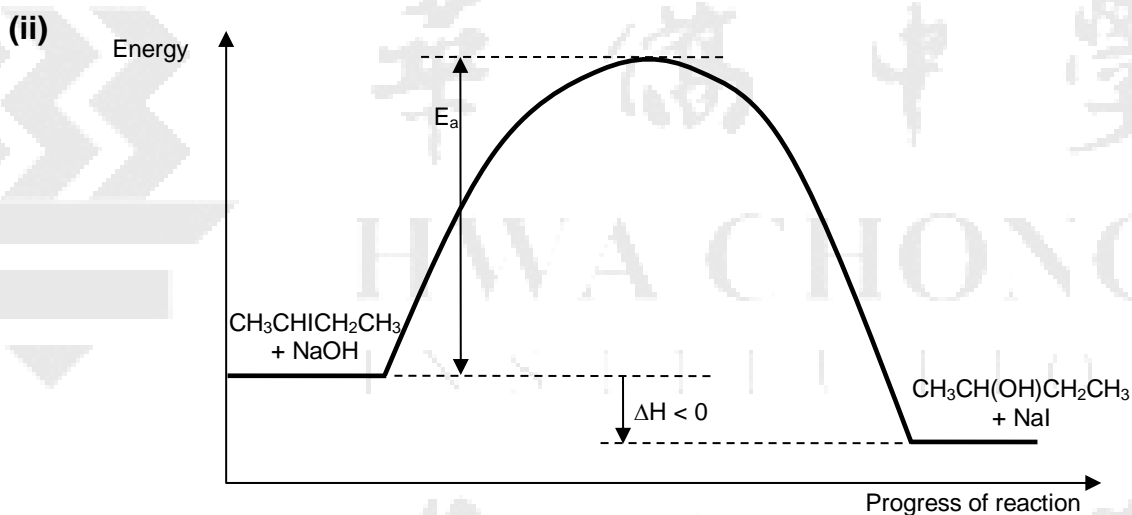
[1] for:

- ✓ OH<sup>-</sup> is the nucleophile that attacks C<sup>δ+</sup> of C-I (attack from the side that's opposite to the I)
- ✓ partial charges: C<sup>δ+</sup>-I<sup>δ-</sup>
- ✓ curly arrow going from lone pair of OH<sup>-</sup> to C<sup>δ+</sup> of C-I
- ✓ curly arrow going from C-I bond, to I

[1] for:

- ✓ transition state negatively charged (need not label "transition state")
- ✓ I<sup>-</sup> is produced at the end of the reaction
- ✓ no slow or fast step
- ½m for every mistake





[1] shape of graph

[1] labelling graph

✓ label  $E_a$

✓ label  $\Delta H$

✓ label "reactants" and "products"

✓ label axes

-½m for every mistake

(c) The halogens Cl<sub>2</sub>, Br<sub>2</sub> and I<sub>2</sub> exist as simple non-polar covalent molecules. From Cl<sub>2</sub> to Br<sub>2</sub> to I<sub>2</sub>, the size of the electron cloud and hence, the polarisability of the halogen molecule increases [1]. More energy is needed to overcome the stronger dispersion forces between the molecules. Hence, the volatility of the halogens decreases [1] from chlorine to iodine.

(d) (i)  $2\text{HX} \rightarrow \text{H}_2 + \text{X}_2$  [1]

(ii) Down the group, as atomic radius increases from Cl to I, the bond length of the H-X bond increases / bond strength decreases [1].

Hence, less energy is needed to break the H-X bond. Thus, the thermal stability of the hydrogen halides decreases down the group [1].

*Remarks: can also justify by quoting the bond energy data,  $\text{H-Cl} = +431$ ,  $\text{H-Br} = +366$ ,  $\text{H-I} = +299 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ . Weaker H-X bond needs less energy to break during thermal decomposition*

(e) From Data Booklet,

	$E^\ominus/\text{V}$
$\text{Br}_2 + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons 2\text{Br}^-$	+1.07
$\text{I}_2 + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons 2\text{I}^-$	+0.54

Bromine reacts with  $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$  to form  $\text{S}_4\text{O}_6^{2-}$ , which will be further oxidised to  $\text{SO}_2$  and subsequently  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$ .

$$E^\ominus_{\text{cell}} = +1.07 - (+0.09) = +0.98 \text{ V} > 0 \text{ (spontaneous)}$$

$$E^\ominus_{\text{cell}} = +1.07 - (+0.51) = +0.56 \text{ V} > 0 \text{ (spontaneous)}$$

$$E^\ominus_{\text{cell}} = +1.07 - (+0.17) = +0.90 \text{ V} > 0 \text{ (spontaneous)}$$

Iodine reacts with  $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$  to form  $\text{S}_4\text{O}_6^{2-}$  but there is no further oxidation of  $\text{S}_4\text{O}_6^{2-}$  to  $\text{SO}_2$ .

$$E^\ominus_{\text{cell}} = +0.54 - (+0.09) = +0.45 \text{ V} > 0 \text{ (spontaneous)}$$

$$E^\ominus_{\text{cell}} = +0.54 - (+0.51) = +0.03 \text{ V} > 0 \text{ (spontaneous but extent of reaction is too small)}$$

- [1]  $E^\ominus_{\text{cell}}$  for reaction with bromine or showing that the  $E^\ominus_{(\text{Br}_2/\text{Br}^-)} >$  all the 3  $E^\ominus$   
 [1]  $E^\ominus_{\text{cell}}$  for reaction with iodine or showing that  $E^\ominus_{(\text{I}_2/\text{I}^-)} > +0.09 \text{ V}$  but only slightly larger than  $+0.51 \text{ V}$   
 [1½] spontaneous since  $E^\ominus_{\text{cell}} > 0$   
 [1½] spontaneous but extent of reaction too small

2 (a) (i)  $K_a = [\text{H}^+][\text{A}^-] / [\text{HA}]$   
 $K_a = (10^{-5.5})(1) / 4$   
 $K_a = 7.91 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 $\text{p}K_a = -\lg(7.91 \times 10^{-7}) = 6.10$  [1]

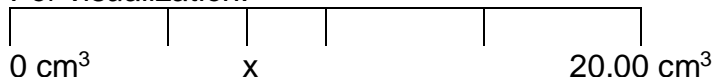
OR

$\text{pH} = \text{p}K_a + \lg[\text{A}^-]/[\text{HA}]$   
 $5.5 = \text{p}K_a + \lg(1/4)$   
 $\text{p}K_a = 6.10$  [1]

(ii) 1:1 [1]

(iii) Let  $x$  be the volume of NaOH required to achieve maximum buffer capacity

For visualization:



Since the ratio of the  $[\text{A}^-]:[\text{HA}]$  in the buffer is 1:4, a titre value of  $20.00 \text{ cm}^3$  must correspond to 4 units. Hence, maximum buffer capacity must occur when there are 2.5 units of  $[\text{A}^-]$  and 2.5 units of  $[\text{HA}]$ . [1]

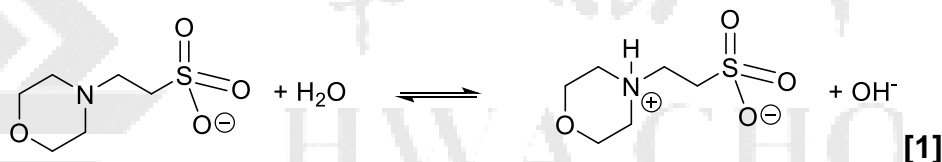
Therefore, the volume of NaOH required,  $x$ , corresponds to 1.5 units.

Volume of NaOH required =  $20.00/4 \times 1.5 = 7.5 \text{ cm}^3$  [1]

OR

Let  $x$  be the volume of NaOH required to achieve maximum buffer capacity  
 Since the ratio of the  $[\text{A}^-]/[\text{HA}]$  in the buffer is 1:4,  
 $(20 - 2x) / (20) = 1/4$  [1]  
 $2(10 - x) = 20/4$   
 $x = 7.5 \text{ cm}^3$  [1]

(iv)



- (v) Given that the **region of rapid pH change will be at about pH 9.4**, I would use an indicator with a **working range that coincides with that pH range [1]**, which would be **cresolphthalein. [1]**

- (b) (i) Initially, the graph is a straight line/increases steadily. This is because the reaction is **first order wrt to [sugar]/ rate is directly proportional to [sugar]/ more enzyme-substrate complex can be formed by increasing [sugar]. [1]** Thus, the rate of reaction increase.

The graph plateaus/becomes horizontal/becomes zero order wrt [sugar] **because the enzyme is now saturated/all active sites are occupied [1]**, thus, the rate of reaction cannot be increased by increasing [sugar].

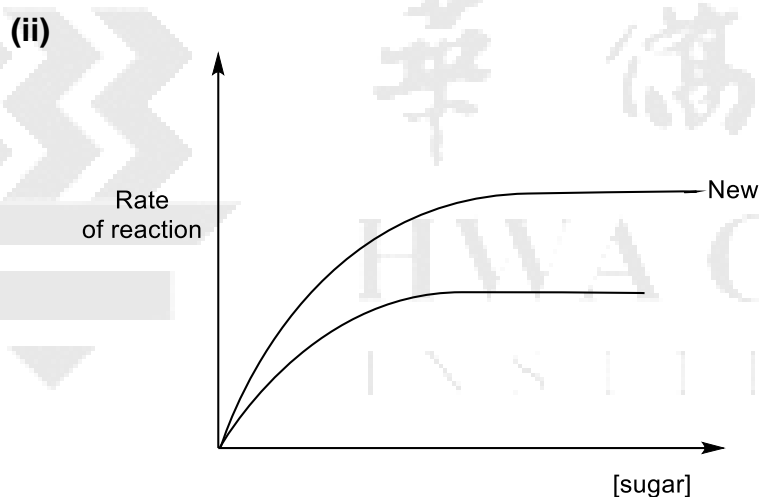


Fig. 2.1

[1]

Key points

- Initial rate increases more quickly
- Plateau occurs at a higher concentration of sugar
- Plateau occurs at a higher rate

- (iii) Order wrt to [sugar]:  
Comparing experiment 1 and 2,  
When [sugar] is doubled from  $0.20 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  to  $0.40 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ , the relative rate of reaction doubled.  
Thus, [sugar] is directly proportional to the rate of reaction, and is first order.

**[1] for explanation**

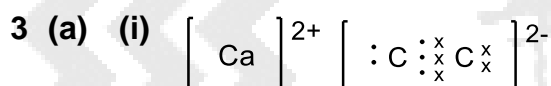
Order wrt to [zymase]:

Comparing experiment 1 and 3,  
When [sugar] is halved from  $0.20 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  to  $0.10 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ , the relative rate of reaction is expected to halve.  
When [zymase] is doubled from  $0.010 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  to  $0.020 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ , the relative rate is doubled from  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1

Thus, [zymase] is directly proportional to the rate of reaction, and is first order.

**[1] for explanation**

**$[\frac{1}{2}] \times 2$  for each correctly identified order**



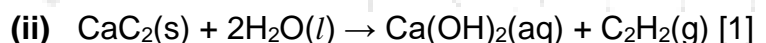
Anion:

additional electrons of opposite symbol were accepted

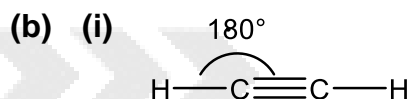
additional electrons of third symbol were accepted

dative bonds were rejected

[½] for each ion



[1] balanced equation with correct state symbols



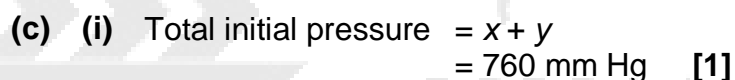
[1] for correct bond angle (only one needs to be labelled on the diagram itself), and correct Lewis structure which must show linear shape.

Type of hybridisation: sp [1]

(ii) Two characteristics of ethyne, and explanation:

1. Ethyne has a small molecular size, which means the volume of the particles of ethyne is small compared to the volume of the container, and so can be considered negligible just as for ideal gases; and
2. Ethyne is a non-polar molecule, so it has relatively weak intermolecular dispersion forces, which could therefore be considered negligible, just as for ideal gases.

[1] x 2 for each characteristic



(ii) Since  $p$  mm Hg is the change in partial pressure of ethyne during the combustion:

	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_2(\text{g})$	+	$5/2 \text{ O}_2(\text{g})$	→	$2\text{CO}_2(\text{g})$	+	$\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$
Initial partial pressure / mm Hg	$x$		$y$		$0$		-
Change / mm Hg	$-p$		$-5/2p$		$+2p$		-
Final partial pressure / mm Hg	$x - p$		$y - 5/2p$		$2p$		-

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total pressure after combustion} &= (x - p) + (y - \frac{5}{2}p) + 2p \\ &= [(x + y) - \frac{3}{2}p] \text{ mm Hg} \end{aligned}$$

[1] Correct expression of total pressure after combustion in terms of  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $p$

(iii) Total initial pressure =  $(x + y)$  mm Hg

Total pressure after combustion =  $(x + y) - \frac{3}{2}p$  mm Hg

Since a reaction occurs,  $p$  must be  $> 0$

$$\text{so } (x + y) - \frac{3}{2}p < (x + y),$$

i.e. (final pressure)  $<$  (initial pressure)

and  $\therefore$  the term " $-\frac{3}{2}p$ " represents a fall in pressure from the original  $(x + y)$  mm Hg (shown)

[1] Convincing argument in which there is a comparison of initial and final pressures in terms of  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $p$ .

(iv) From (ii) and (iii), we know that the fall in pressure inside the flask corresponds to difference in height (atmospheric pressure remains unchanged):

$$\frac{3}{2}p = 65$$

$$p = 65 \div (3/2)$$

$$= \underline{43.3} \text{ (to 1 d.p.) (in mm Hg)}$$

[1] Answer must be to 1 d.p. to get the full credit.

(v) (I) Since final partial pressure of  $\text{CO}_2$  is  $2p$

$$\therefore P_{\text{CO}_2} = 2p = \underline{86.7 \text{ mm Hg}} \text{ [1] (to 3 s.f.)}$$

(II) If all oxygen was used up, then  $y - 5/2p = 0$

$$\therefore y = 5/2p$$

$$y = 5/2 (65 \div 3/2) = 108.3 \text{ mm Hg (1 d.p.)}$$

$$= \underline{108 \text{ mm Hg (3 s.f.)}} \text{ [1/2]}$$

$$\text{And } x = 760 - 108.3 = 651.7 \text{ mm Hg (1 d.p.)}$$

$$= \underline{652 \text{ mm Hg (3 s.f.)}} \text{ [1/2]}$$

(d) (i)  $pV = nRT$

From graph,  $n_{\text{H}_2} = \underline{1.06}$  mol (accepted 1.04 – 1.06)

[1] for correct reading of no. of moles of  $\text{H}_2$  from graph

$$P_{\text{H}_2} = nRT/V = (1.06)(8.31)(1250 + 273) / (0.100)$$

$$= 134,155 \text{ Pa}$$

$$= \underline{1.34 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}}$$

$$= \underline{134 \text{ kPa}} \text{ (to 3 s.f.)}$$

[1] for correct use of ideal gas equation, and answer

ALTERNATIVE:

$$\text{From graph, } n_{(\text{total})} = (1.06 + 0.30 + 0.26)$$

$$= 1.62 \text{ mol}$$

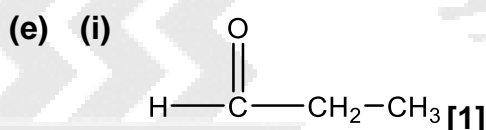
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$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad K_p &= \frac{(P_{\text{H}_2})^3 (P_{\text{C}_2\text{H}_2})}{(P_{\text{CH}_4})^2} \\ &= \frac{\left(\frac{n_{\text{H}_2}RT}{V}\right)^3 \left(\frac{n_{\text{C}_2\text{H}_2}RT}{V}\right)}{\left(\frac{n_{\text{CH}_4}RT}{V}\right)^2} \\ &= \frac{(n_{\text{H}_2})^3 (n_{\text{C}_2\text{H}_2})}{(n_{\text{CH}_4})^2} \times \left(\frac{RT}{V}\right)^{4-2} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{[1] for convincing proof and use of } pV = nRT \\ \text{[1] for substitution of correct terms from graph} \end{array} \right\} \\ &= \frac{(n_{\text{H}_2})^3 (n_{\text{C}_2\text{H}_2})}{(n_{\text{CH}_4})^2} \times \left(\frac{RT}{V}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1.06^3 \times 0.30}{0.26^2} \times \left(\frac{8.31 \times 1523}{0.100}\right)^2 \quad \text{[1] for correct answer and units} \\ &= \underline{8.47 \times 10^{10} \text{ Pa}^2} \text{ (3 s.f.)} \end{aligned}$$

Other accepted units of  $K_p$ : ( $\text{J}^2 \text{ m}^{-6}$ )  
 $\equiv \text{Pa}^2$

- (iii) When the temperature is changed from 1250 °C to 1000 °C, the value of  $K_p$  would decrease / be smaller [1].



Propanal [1] (must be spelt clearly and correctly, no benefit of doubt)

- (ii) To each separate samples of propyne and propanal, (any of the following):

	Chemical test	Observations	
		propyne	propanal
1	Add 2,4-DNPH	No orange ppt	Orange ppt formed
2	warm with Tollen's reagent	No silver mirror	Silver mirror produced
3	warm with Fehling's solution	No brick-red ppt	Brick-red ppt formed
4	add aqueous bromine	Yellow-orange aqueous bromine decolourised	Yellow-orange colour remains
5	Add $\text{Br}_2(l)$ (at r.t., no UV) or $\text{Br}_2$ in $\text{CCl}_4$ (at r.t., no UV)	Reddish-brown liquid bromine decolourised	Reddish-brown colour remains
		Orange-red $\text{Br}_2$ in $\text{CCl}_4$ decolourised	Orange-red colour remains

6	Heat with acidified potassium dichromate	Orange colour remains	Orange solution turns green
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Careful! hot acidified or alkaline  $\text{KMnO}_4$  is not ideal here as both propyne and propanal can undergo oxidation (propyne undergoes oxidative cleavage, while propanal will be oxidised to propanoic acid). However, students who added hot *acidified*  $\text{KMnO}_4$  to both compounds and used the effervescence of  $\text{CO}_2$  to identify propyne (effervescence not seen for propanal) were awarded the mark.

Careful! Cold  $\text{KMnO}_4$  to form the diol for propyne is a dubious choice, as propanal may still get oxidized in cold conditions, so decolourisation might happen for both compounds.

[1] correct choice of test

[1] correct distinguishing observation (incorrect colours of ppts or solutions were penalized)

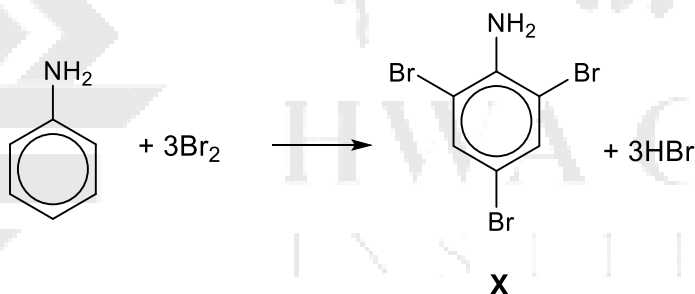
***Ecf was only awarded if product drawn in (e)(i) was an aldehyde or ketone***

4 (a) The  $\pi$  cloud has high electron density/ is electron-rich that will attract electron-deficient electrophiles but will repel electron-rich nucleophiles. [1]

(b) Electrophilic addition destroys the delocalisation in the  $\pi$  electron cloud/disrupts aromaticity which requires a significant amount of energy, whereas electrophilic substitution retains aromaticity. [1]

(c) (i) Step 1: Conc.  $\text{HNO}_3$ , conc.  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ , maintained at  $55^\circ\text{C}$  [1]  
Step 2: 1. Sn, (excess) conc.  $\text{HCl}$ , heat 2.  $\text{NaOH(aq)}$  [1]

(ii)



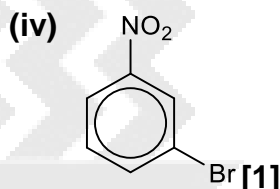
[1] for X

[1] for equation (ecf for equation if X is monosubstituted)

(iii) Nitrobenzene < benzene < phenylamine. [½]

The nitro group is electron withdrawing and withdraws electron density from the  $\pi$  electron cloud on the benzene ring [½], reducing the susceptibility of the benzene ring towards electrophiles/deactivating the ring towards electrophiles [½]. The  $\text{NH}_2$  group on phenylamine is electron-donating as it can donate its lone pair of electrons to the ring and increases electron density of the  $\pi$  electron cloud in the benzene ring. [½]

(only need to mention susceptibility towards electrophiles/activating or deactivating towards electrophiles once)

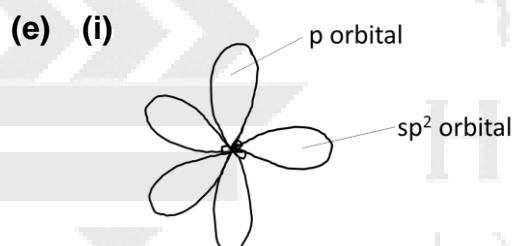


(d) **D** has only 4  $\pi$  electrons in the ring, so it doesn't satisfy criteria 4. [1]

**F** has two carbon atoms in the ring that are  $sp^3$  hybridised, so those carbons do not have available p orbitals, so it doesn't satisfy criteria 2

OR

**F** does not satisfy criteria 3, since the p orbitals are not overlapped in a continuous fashion/ since the structure is not planar at the carbons that are  $sp^3$ . [1]



[1] for correct shape, arrangement and label for p orbital

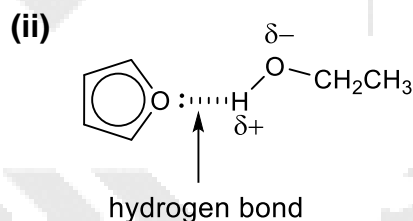
[1] for correct shapes, arrangement and label for  $sp^2$  orbitals

(ii)  $\geq$  [1]

(iii) p orbital. [1]

(iv) The lone pair on N of pyrrole is delocalised into the  $\pi$  cloud and is less/not available for donation to a  $H^+$ . [1]

(f) (i) Furan has very low resonance energy of  $80 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$  [1], so disrupting its aromaticity requires very little energy OR formation of strong  $\sigma$  bonds in an addition can compensate for the loss in its small resonance energy [1].

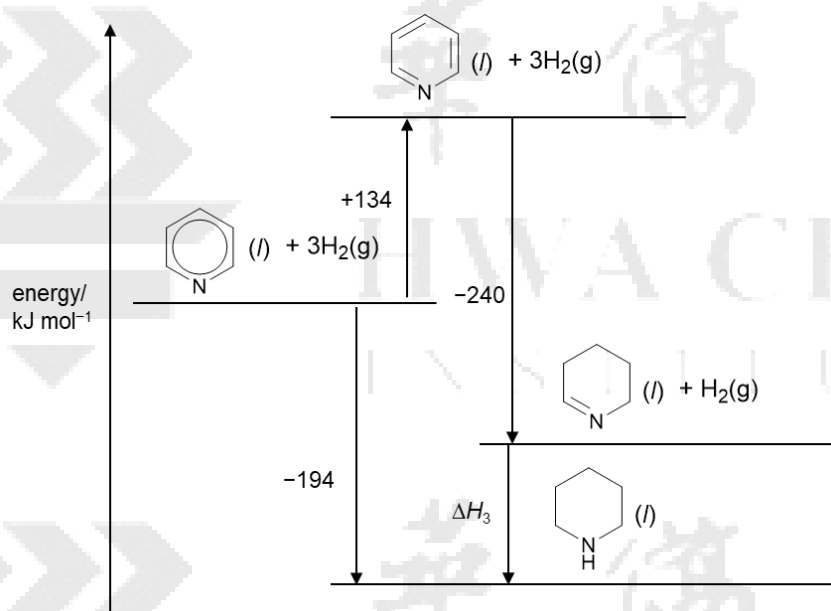


[1] (correct bond, lone pair, partial charges and label) (-1/2 per mistake)

The hydrogen atom bonded to the highly electronegative O on ethanol has a very significant  $\delta^+$  charge and the electron density in the covalent bond is highly polarised towards the oxygen atom. As a result, the H can form a very strong attraction to the lone pair of electrons on the highly electronegative oxygen atom on furan. This is a hydrogen bond. [1]



(g)



Cycle: [2]

–[½]m per mistake (max ½ m for cycle if students put the diene on the highest energy level, the ½ m can only be awarded if they put in -194 at the correct position)

By Hess' Law,

$\Delta H_3 = -(-120 -120) - 134 + (-194) = -88 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$  [1] ecf for correct use of Hess' Law.



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**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

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Write in dark blue or black pen.

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**Section A**

Answer **all** questions.

**Section B**

Answer **one** question.

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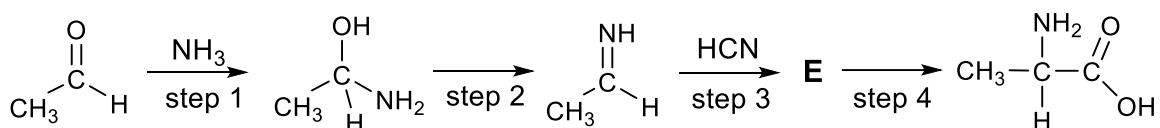
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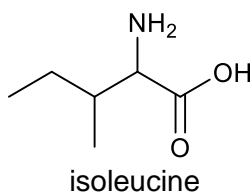
## Section A

Answer **all** the questions in this section.

- 1 (a) (i) Write an equation for the thermal decomposition of  $\text{MgCO}_3$ . [1]
- (ii) Explain how the magnitude of the lattice energy of  $\text{MgCO}_3$  differs from that of the solid product formed in (a)(i). [2]
- (iii) The thermal decomposition of  $\text{MgCO}_3$  is an endothermic process. Explain whether the decomposition of  $\text{MgCO}_3$  is spontaneous at high or low temperature. [2]
- (iv) State whether  $\text{MgCO}_3$  or  $\text{BaCO}_3$  has the lower decomposition temperature. Explain your answer. [3]
- (b) The Strecker synthesis is a method used to prepare amino acids. Alanine, 2-aminopropanoic acid, can be prepared from ethanal via Strecker synthesis as shown below.



- (i) Suggest the type of reaction occurring in steps 1 and 2. [2]
- (ii) Draw the fully displayed structure of compound **E**. [1]
- (iii) Suggest why step 3 produces an equimolar mixture of two stereoisomers. [2]
- (iv) Another amino acid, isoleucine, can be prepared from aldehyde **F** via Strecker synthesis.



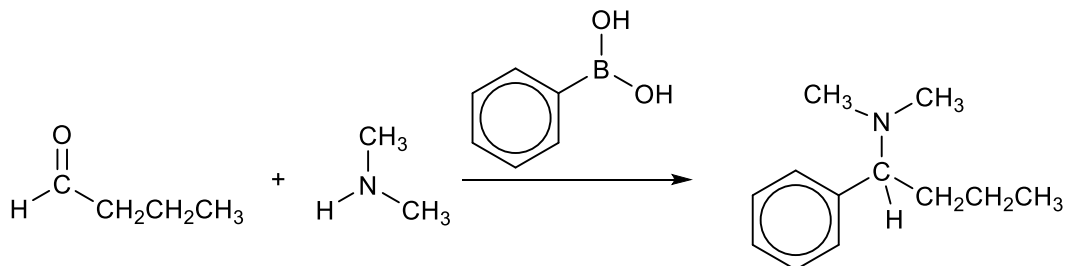
Draw the structure of aldehyde **F**.

[1]

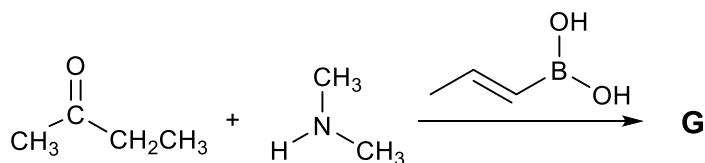
- (c) In the Petasis reaction, carbonyl compounds, amines and suitable boronic acids can react to form substituted amines.

The general structure of a boronic acid is  $\text{B}(\text{OH})_2\text{R}$  where R is an alkyl or aryl group.

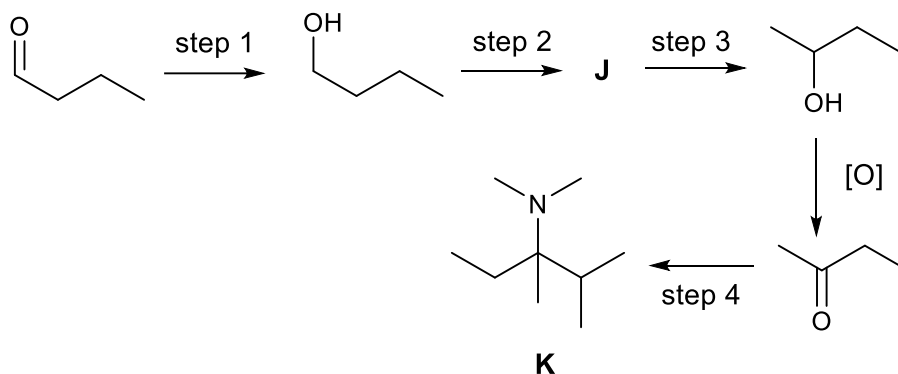
An example of the Petasis reaction is given below.



Consider the following Petasis reaction:



- (i) Draw the structure of compound **G**. [1]
- (ii) The Petasis reaction can be used in step 4 of the following synthesis of compound **K** from butanal.

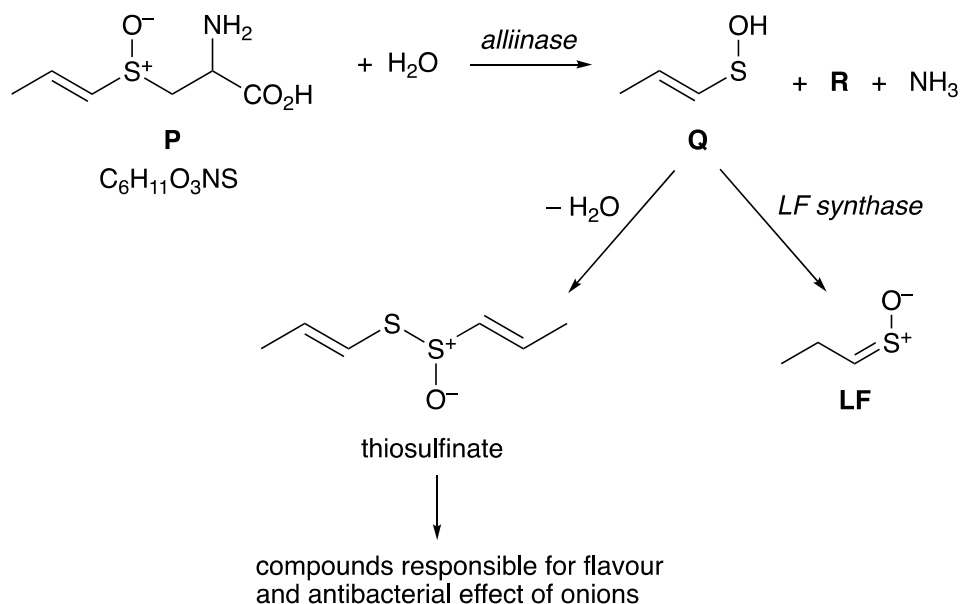


Suggest reagents and conditions for steps 1 to 4, and the structure of compound **J**.

[5]

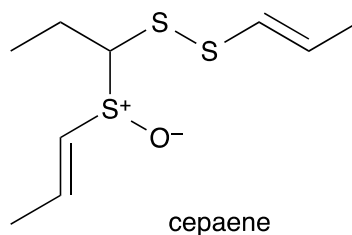
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- 2 When an onion is cut, the damaged tissues release the lachrymatory factor molecule, **LF**, that makes eyes water. The diagram below shows how **LF** is produced in the cut onion, starting from compound **P**.

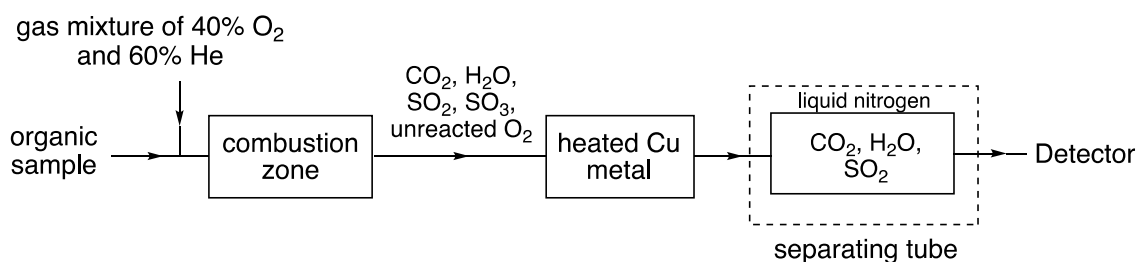


- (a) In the first step, **P** reacts with a water molecule, in the presence of the enzyme *alliinase*, to give **Q**, **R** and ammonia.
- Find the molecular formula of compound **R**. [1]
  - Compound **R** reacts in a 1:1 ratio with  $\text{PCl}_5$  and gives a yellow precipitate with alkaline aqueous iodine. Draw the structure of compound **R**. [1]
- (b) State the isomeric relationship between **Q** and **LF**. [1]
- (c) **LF** is very soluble in water. Explain why **LF** dissolves well in water. [1]
- (d) **LF** is also volatile. For years, the conversion of **Q** to **LF** was thought to be direct, but in 2002, scientists discovered the pathway requires an enzyme *LF synthase*.
- Two methods, found on the internet, claim to prevent eyes from watering while cutting onions. Suggest how **each** of these methods could work, considering the volatility of **LF**, and the pathway that produces **LF**.
- "Cool the onion before cutting it." [1]
  - "Heat the onion before cutting it." [1]
- (e) In 2016, scientists developed "tearless" onions by irradiating seeds with heavy-ion beams to reduce *LF synthase* levels. This mutation causes increased thiosulfinate production from **Q** via the alternate pathway above.
- In this alternate pathway, two molecules of **Q** react to form thiosulfinate, losing a water molecule. Name the type of reaction that occurs. [1]

Increased thiosulfinate means higher amounts of compounds which give onions flavor and antibacterial properties. One of these compounds is cepaene.



The percentage of sulfur in an organic compound, such as cepaene, can be determined via the elemental analysis set-up in Fig. 2.1:



**Fig. 2.1**

The organic sample is first combusted in a gas mixture of 40%  $O_2$  and 60% He, to form  $CO_2$ ,  $H_2O$  and oxides of sulfur:  $SO_2$  and  $SO_3$ .

The resultant gases then flow over a vessel containing heated copper metal to convert any  $SO_3$  into  $SO_2$ . The heated copper also removes any unreacted  $O_2$ .

$CO_2$ ,  $H_2O$  and  $SO_2$  gases are cooled in a separating tube immersed in liquid nitrogen at  $-196^\circ C$ , and then released one by one, by increasing the temperature, to the detector.

In one analysis, 5.0 mg of cepaene ( $C_9H_{16}OS_3$ ,  $M_r = 236.3$ ) is introduced into the combustion zone.

- (ii) Write an equation for the combustion of cepaene in the combustion zone to form  $CO_2$ ,  $H_2O$  and  $SO_3$  only. [1]
- (iii) Hence, calculate the minimum volume of the  $O_2/He$  gas mixture at r.t.p. (in  $cm^3$ ) required for the combustion of 5.0 mg of cepaene. [2]
- (iv) State the role of the heated copper metal, and hence write an equation to show how the unreacted  $O_2$  is removed by the heated copper. [2]
- (v) If the temperature of the heated copper metal is not high enough or insufficient copper is used, a sulfur-containing compound could be formed in the vessel as blue crystals. Identify the blue crystals and suggest how they may be formed. [1]
- (vi) Predict the sequence in which the three compounds in the separating tube are released to the detector. Explain your answer fully. [3]

[Total: 16]

- 3 Cobalt is a *transition element* that can be found in the blue pigments used for jewellery and paints.

(a) Explain what is meant by the term *transition element*. [1]

(b) A cobalt-chrome alloy is a metal alloy of cobalt and chromium.

A sample of this alloy was dissolved in dilute HCl to form a solution containing  $1.23 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  of  $\text{Cr}^{3+}(\text{aq})$  and  $5.77 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  of  $\text{Co}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ .

Aqueous NaOH was then added slowly to  $1 \text{ cm}^3$  of the solution.

- (i) Using the  $K_{\text{sp}}$  information below, show that the addition of NaOH will **not** allow for the separation of the  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  and  $\text{Co}^{2+}$  metal cation ions in the above solution.

compound	$K_{\text{sp}}$
$\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$	$1.60 \times 10^{-20}$
$\text{Co}(\text{OH})_2$	$5.92 \times 10^{-15}$

[3]

- (ii) A better way to separate the two aqueous ions is to add excess NaOH into the solution as  $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$  dissolves.

With the aid of equations, explain why the precipitate of  $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$  dissolves in excess NaOH using *Le Chatelier's Principle*. [3]

- (c) When cobalt(II) chloride is dissolved in water, it forms a pink solution. Upon addition of excess aqueous potassium thiocyanate, KSCN, the solution turns blue.

- (i) Draw a fully labelled diagram to account for the splitting of the degenerate d orbitals into two energy levels in an octahedral ligand field.

Explain how you arrived at your answer, taking into account the shape and the orientation of the d orbitals. [2]

- (ii) Using your diagram in (c)(i), account for the pink colour of the solution when cobalt(II) chloride is dissolved in water. [2]

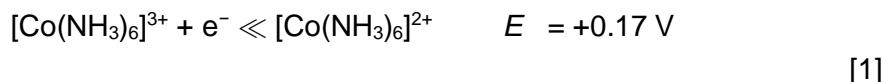
- (iii) Identify the type of reaction responsible for the colour change from pink to blue. [1]

- (iv) Different proportions of  $0.1 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{Co}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  and  $0.2 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{SCN}^{-}(\text{aq})$  were mixed. The intensity of the blue colour of the resultant solution was measured using a colorimeter. The maximum colour intensity was observed when  $2 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $\text{SCN}^{-}(\text{aq})$  was added to  $1 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $\text{Co}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ . Deduce the identity of the species responsible for the blue solution. [2]

(d) When cobalt(II) chloride is dissolved in aqueous ammonia, it forms  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{2+}$  which is oxidised by air to the +3 oxidation state.

(i) Explain why cobalt shows variable oxidation states as compared to a main group element like calcium. [2]

(ii) With the aid of the *Data Booklet* and the information below, calculate the  $E^\ominus_{\text{cell}}$  for the oxidation of  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{2+}$  by atmospheric oxygen.



(e) **S** and **T** are ionic compounds which contain six-coordinate cobalt(III) complex ions, whose ligands are either  $\text{NH}_3$  or  $\text{Cl}^-$ .

When excess aqueous  $\text{AgNO}_3$  is added to 1 mole of **S** and 1 mole of **T** separately, 2 moles of a white precipitate is formed from **S** while 1 mole of the same white precipitate is formed from **T**.

(i) Identify the white precipitate and explain why different amounts of the white precipitate are formed from **S** and **T**. [2]

(ii) Draw the cobalt(III) complex ion in **S**, showing clearly how the ligands are bonded to the central metal ion. [1]

(iii) The cobalt(III) complex ion in **T** exhibits *cis-trans* isomerism. Suggest the structure of the *trans* isomer. [1]

(f) Cobalt is used as a heterogeneous catalyst in the synthesis of aldehydes from carbon monoxide and water.

Describe the mode of action of the cobalt catalyst in the reaction. [3]

[Total: 24]



## Section B

Answer **one** question from this section.

- 4 (a) The world's first implantable cardiac pacemaker is powered by zinc and platinum electrodes which are placed directly within the body tissues.

These electrodes in the body fluid at a pH of 7.4 form a 'biogalvanic' cell in which zinc is oxidised to zinc hydroxide and oxygen is reduced.

- (i) State the polarities of the zinc and platinum electrodes and write a half-equation for the reaction that occurs at **each** electrode. [3]

- (ii) Given that the value of  $\Delta G^\circ$  at 298 K for the reaction in the biogalvanic cell is  $-637$  kJ per mole of oxygen reduced, calculate a value for  $E^\circ_{\text{cell}}$ . [2]

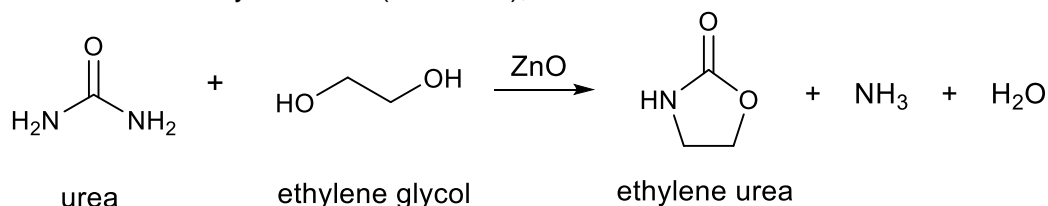
Hence, determine the value of the standard reduction potential of zinc hydroxide. [2]

- (iii) A pacemaker operates at an average current of  $8.0 \times 10^{-4}$  A. Calculate how long the pacemaker will last when 5.0 g of zinc electrode is used before it needs to be replaced. Give your answer to the nearest day. [3]

- (b) Zinc and silver are often present as impurities in crude copper obtained from minerals.

Explain, in terms of electrode reactions, how zinc and silver are removed in the industrial process of the purification of copper, using relevant data from the *Data Booklet*. Illustrate your answer with a labelled diagram. [4]

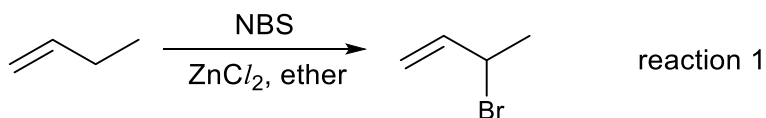
- (c) Zinc oxide is used as a catalyst in the condensation of ethylene glycol and urea. One of the products formed is ethylene urea ( $M_r = 87.0$ ),



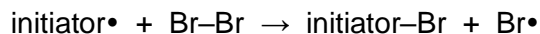
- (i) The reaction between ethylene glycol and urea also produces two other molecules, **X** ( $M_r = 86.0$ ) and **Y** ( $M_r = 88.0$ ). Suggest the structures of **X** and **Y**. [2]

- (ii) Suggest the products formed when ethylene urea is heated with aqueous sodium hydroxide. [2]

- (d) Zinc chloride may be used in the free radical substitution of but-1-ene as shown below. N-bromosuccinimide (NBS) is the source of molecular bromine,  $\text{Br}_2$ .



In the initiation step below,  $\text{ZnCl}_2$  (initiator•) reacts with  $\text{Br}_2$  to form  $\text{Br}^\bullet$  radicals:



- (i) Draw curly arrows to show the movement of electrons in the initiation step shown above. [1]
- (ii) Write equations for the propagation steps in the mechanism for reaction 1, starting from the  $\text{Br}^\bullet$  radical. The use of curly arrows is **not** required. [2]
- (iii) NBS is a preferred source of  $\text{Br}_2$  as it maintains a low concentration of  $\text{Br}_2$  in this reaction. Suggest why liquid bromine is not directly added to but-1-ene instead. [1]

[Total: 20]

- 5 (a) Describe and explain the trend and variations in first ionisation energies of the Period 3 elements from sodium to chlorine. [3]
- (b) The halogens can form many interhalogen compounds. Most interhalogen compounds contain two halogens and have the general formula  $XY_n$  where  $n = 1, 3, 5$  or  $7$ .

$ClF_3$  is an interhalogen compound which exists as a colourless gas.

- (i)  $ClF_3$  and  $Cl_2$  react to form another interhalogen compound. No other product is formed in the reaction.

State the oxidation numbers of chlorine in  $ClF_3$  and  $Cl_2$  and write an equation for the reaction between  $ClF_3$  and  $Cl_2$ . [2]

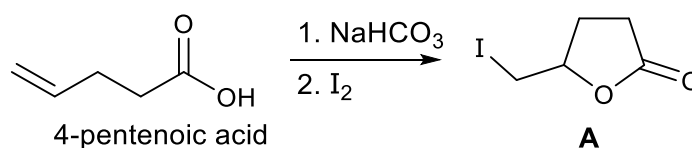
The standard enthalpy change of formation,  $\Delta H_f^\circ$ , of  $ClF_3(g)$  is  $-163 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ .

- (ii) What can you infer about the stability of  $ClF_3$  from its standard enthalpy change of formation? [1]
- (iii) Use the standard enthalpy change of formation,  $\Delta H_f^\circ$ , of  $ClF_3(g)$  and data from the *Data Booklet* to determine a value for the bond energy of the  $Cl-F$  bond. [2]

Another interhalogen compound is  $ICl_3$ . In the solid state,  $ICl_3$  exists as a dimer,  $I_2Cl_6$ , which consists of two bridging  $Cl$  atoms. The shape around each iodine atom is square planar.

- (iv) Draw the structure of the  $I_2Cl_6$  dimer including its co-ordinate (dative covalent) bonds. [2]

Cyclic esters are called lactones. One of the most effective ways to synthesise lactones is iodolactonisation, which involves the addition of an oxygen and iodine across a carbon-carbon double bond. An example using 4-pentenoic acid is shown below.



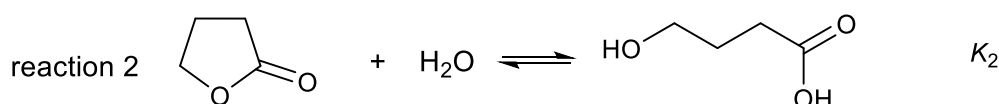
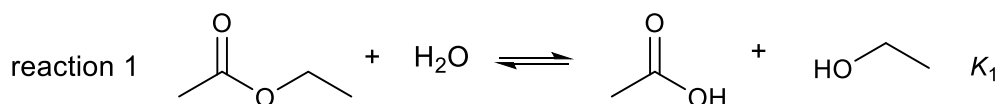
- (c) (i) Draw the structure of the organic product formed when 4-pentenoic acid reacts with  $NaHCO_3$ . [1]
- (ii) Hence, suggest a mechanism for the formation of compound **A** from your product in (c)(i).

Show all charges and relevant lone pairs and show the movement of electron pairs by using curly arrows. [2]

- (d) Compound **B** contains only carbon, hydrogen and oxygen and exhibits stereoisomerism. 1 mole of **B** produces 4 moles of carbon dioxide gas when heated with acidified potassium manganate(VII). No other carbon-containing product is formed in the reaction with potassium manganate(VII). 1 mole of **B** also reacts with 2 moles of aqueous NaOH.

Deduce the structure of **B**, giving your reasoning. [3]

- (e) Both non-cyclic esters and lactones undergo hydrolysis reactions.



- (i) State the reagents and conditions needed to carry out the hydrolysis. [1]
- (ii) State and explain whether the  $\Delta H$  for the two reactions would be similar or different. [1]
- (iii) The  $\Delta S$  for reaction 1 is more positive than the  $\Delta S$  for reaction 2. Use this information, and your answer to (e)(ii), to compare the  $\Delta G$  for both reactions and hence the magnitudes of the equilibrium constants,  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ . [2]

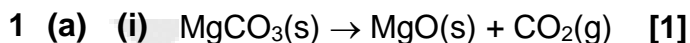
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**Paper 3**



(ii)  $\text{L.E} \propto \frac{q_+q_-}{r_+ + r_-}$  [1]

Both  $\text{MgCO}_3$  and  $\text{MgO}$  have the same charges and cationic radius [0.5]

Anionic radius for  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  is bigger than  $\text{O}^{2-}$  [0.5]

Magnitude of L.E. of  $\text{MgCO}_3$  is smaller than that of  $\text{MgO}$ .

(iii)  $\Delta S$  is positive as gaseous  $\text{CO}_2$  is evolved [1]. Hence,  $-\Delta S$  term is negative.

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$$

Since the decomposition of  $\text{MgCO}_3$  is endothermic,  $\Delta H$  is positive.

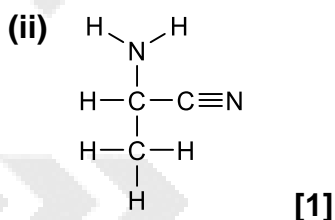
So for the decomposition to be spontaneous, **for  $\Delta G$  to be negative**, the decomposition should take place at **high temperature** [1].

(iv)  **$\text{MgCO}_3$  has the lower decomposition temperature.** [0.5]

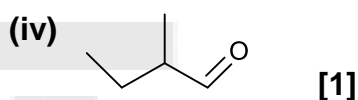
Both  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$  have the same charge. The **ionic radius of  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  is smaller than  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$  (0.5)**. So  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  has a **higher charge density (0.5)** and a **greater polarizing power** and it can **distort the electron cloud of the  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  to a greater extent (0.5 for either point)**, **weakening the C-O covalent bonds in  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  to a greater extent (0.5)**, hence **less energy is needed for decomposition (0.5)**.

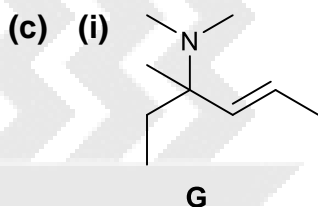
(b) (i) Type of reaction (reaction 1): Nucleophilic Addition [1]

Type of reaction (reaction 2): Elimination/Dehydration [1]



(iii) The geometry about the center C is **trigonal planar** [1]. Hence, there is **equal probability for the  $\text{CN}^-$  ion to attack from either side of the plane** [1], giving rise to an equimolar mixture of two stereoisomers.





[1]

(ii) Reagents and Conditions:

Step 1:  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  in dry ether

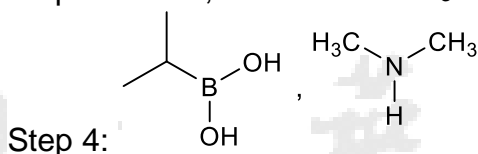
[1]

Step 2: excess concentrated  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ , heat

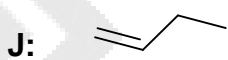
[1]

Step 3: steam, concentrated  $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$ , high T high P

[1]

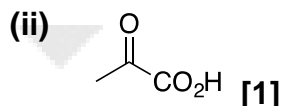


[1]



[1]

2 (a) (i)  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_4\text{O}_3$  [1]



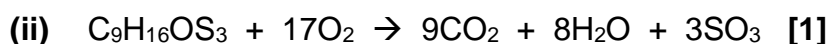
(b) constitutional/structural/functional group isomerism [1]

(c) The **LF** molecule is polar and can form strong/favourable permanent-dipole permanent-dipole interactions/hydrogen bonding/ion-dipole interactions with water molecules. [1]

(d) (i) When the onion is cooled, less LF will vaporise and come into contact with the eyes. [1]

(ii) Heating the onion can denature the enzyme LF synthase so that LF will not be formed. [1]

(e) (i) condensation [1]



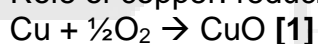
(iii)  $n(\text{cepaene}) = 5 \times 10^{-3} / 236.3 = 2.116 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol}$  [ $\frac{1}{2}$ ]

$n(\text{O}_2) = 2.116 \times 10^{-5} \times 17 = 3.597 \times 10^{-4} = 3.60 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$  [ $\frac{1}{2}$ ] **ecf from ii**

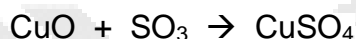
volume of  $\text{O}_2$  mixture at r.t.p. =  $3.597 \times 10^{-4} \times 24000 = 8.63 \text{ cm}^3$  [ $\frac{1}{2}$ ]

volume of mixture =  $8.63 \times 100/40 = 21.6 \text{ cm}^3$  [1]

(iv) Role of copper: reducing agent [1]



(v) The blue crystals are  $\text{CuSO}_4$  [1], which can be formed from the reaction of  $\text{CuO}$  with  $\text{SO}_3$ . [1]



- (vi) Order of gases released:  $\text{CO}_2$ , then  $\text{SO}_2$ , then water. [1]

$\text{CO}_2$  is a non-polar molecule, hence intermolecular forces are the weakest – only dispersion forces, so it is released first at a lower temperature. followed by  $\text{SO}_2$ .

$\text{SO}_2$  is a polar molecule with *both* intermolecular permanent-dipole permanent-dipole interactions, which are stronger than dispersion forces, *and* dispersion forces, which are also stronger than those of  $\text{CO}_2$  due to  $\text{SO}_2$  having more electrons and the larger electron cloud size than  $\text{CO}_2$ .

Water has intermolecular hydrogen bonding, which are the strongest intermolecular forces, and most energy required to vapourise it, and hence it is released last.

[1] correct types of intermolecular forces for all 3 molecules

[1] correct comparison of the strength of the 3 different intermolecular forces and relate to energy required to overcome the intermolecular forces for the gas to escape to the detector.

- 3 (a) Transition elements are **d-block elements** that **form one or more stable ions** with **partially filled d-subshell**. [1]

- (b) (i) Precipitation occurs when  $\text{I.P.} = K_{\text{sp}}$

For  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$ :

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Cr}^{3+}][\text{OH}^-]^3$$

$$1.6 \times 10^{-20} = 1.23 \times 10^{-2} [\text{OH}^-]^3$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 1.09 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ [1]}$$

For  $\text{Co}^{2+}$ :

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Co}^{2+}][\text{OH}^-]^2$$

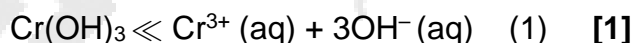
$$5.92 \times 10^{-15} = 5.77 \times 10^{-3} [\text{OH}^-]^2$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 1.01 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ [1]}$$

Since the  $[\text{OH}^-]$  required for  $\text{IP} = K_{\text{sp}}$  is similar for both precipitates to form, it does not allow for the separation of the two metal ions. [1]

- (ii) **either**

$\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$  is sparingly soluble and dissolves to give small concentrations of  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  and  $\text{OH}^-$ .

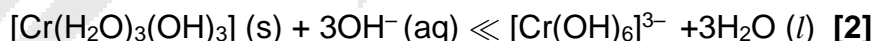


When excess  $\text{OH}^-$  is added, complex formation takes place.



The  $[\text{Cr}^{3+}]$  falls shifting the position of equilibrium of (1) to the right, causing the precipitate to dissolve. [1]

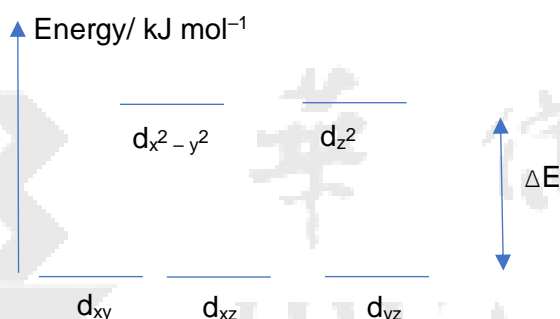
or



( [1] for  $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3(\text{OH})_3]$  and  $[\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_6]^{3-}$ , [1] for balancing equation)

When the  $[\text{OH}^-]$  increases, position of equilibrium shifts forward to offset the increase in the  $[\text{OH}^-]$  concentration. This causes the solid to dissolve. [1]

(c) (i)



[1] (no need to show axes and  $\Delta E$ )

The 5  $d$  orbitals can be classified into two groups. The  $d_{x^2-y^2}$  and  $d_{z^2}$  have their lobes along the axis, while the  $d_{xz}$ ,  $d_{xy}$  and  $d_{yz}$  have lobes in between the axis. Since the ligands approach the central metal ion along the axis, **the repulsion felt by the  $d_{xz}$ ,  $d_{xy}$  and  $d_{yz}$  orbitals is less than for the  $d_{x^2-y^2}$  and  $d_{z^2}$  orbitals.** [1] As such the  $d_{xz}$ ,  $d_{xy}$  and  $d_{yz}$  orbitals are at the lower energy.

(ii) When an electron is promoted from the lower energy  $d$ -orbitals, **energy is absorbed corresponding to a wavelength in the visible spectrum.** [1]

The colour observed is the **complement** of the colours absorbed. [1]

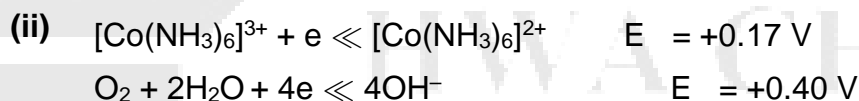
(iii) **Ligand exchange** reaction. [1]

(iv) Identify the 1:4 ratio for  $\text{Co}^{2+}$ :  $\text{SCN}^-$  [1]



(d) (i) The **energy levels of 3d and 4s electrons in cobalt are similar**, hence once the 4s electrons are removed, some or all of the 3d electrons may also be removed without requiring much more energy. [1]

However in calcium, once the 4s electrons are removed, the subsequent removal of electrons must come **from an inner quantum shell which requires too much energy.** [1]





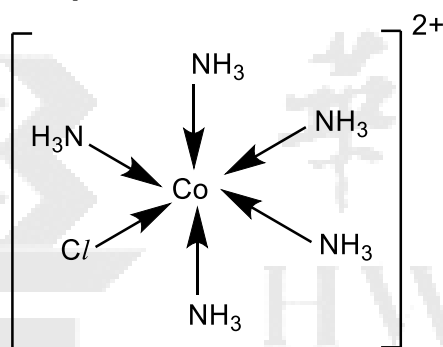
$$E_{\text{cell}} = +0.40 - (+0.17) = +0.23\text{V} \quad [1]$$

(e) (i)  $\text{AgCl}$  [1]

The number of moles of **free**  $\text{Cl}^-$  ions/  $\text{Cl}^-$  **counter ions** are different in both the complexes. [1]

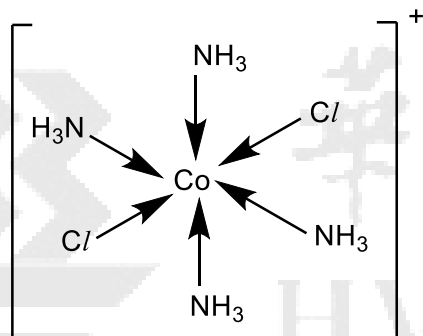
**S** has one  $\text{Cl}^-$  ion datively bonded to the  $\text{Co}^{3+}$  while **T** has two  $\text{Cl}^-$  ion datively bonded to the  $\text{Co}^{3+}$  central metal ion.

(ii) **complex from S**



[1] (mark for dative bonds and positive charge)

(iii) **complex from T**



[1] (as long as *trans* structure is shown, ignore dative bonds/charges etc.)

(f) Reactant molecules,  $\text{CO}$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  are **adsorbed onto the active sites** of the catalyst surface by formation of weak attractive forces.

This brings the **molecules closer together, weakens the  $\text{C}\equiv\text{O}$  and  $\text{O}-\text{H}$  bond, orientating them in the right position for reaction**, hence lowering the activation energy. ([2] for all 3 points, [1] for any 2 points)

Once the reaction has taken place, the aldehyde formed **desorbs and diffuses away** from the catalyst surface so that the **active sites are exposed** for further reaction.

[1] adsorb and desorb + active sites

- 4 (a) (i)  $\text{Zn}(-): \text{Zn} + 2\text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2 + 2\text{e}^-$  [1]  
 $\text{Pt}(+): \text{O}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + 4\text{e}^- \rightarrow 4\text{OH}^-$  [1]  
 [1] on polarity

(ii)  $\Delta G = -nFE^\ominus_{\text{cell}}$   
 $-637 \times 1000 = -(4)(96500)E^\ominus_{\text{cell}}$   
 $E^\ominus_{\text{cell}} = 1.65 \text{ V}$  [1]

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{O}_2/\text{OH}^-} - E_{\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2/\text{Zn}}$$

$$+1.65 = 0.40 - E_{\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2/\text{Zn}}$$

$$E_{\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2/\text{Zn}} = -1.25 \text{ V}$$
 [1] ecf

(iii) Amount of  $\text{Zn} = \frac{5}{65.4} = 0.0765 \text{ mol}$  [0.5]

Amount of electrons =  $2 \times 0.0765 = 0.153 \text{ mol}$  [0.5]

Since charge on 1 mol of electron = 96500 C

$$\therefore \text{charge} = 0.153 \times 96500 = 14755 \text{ C}$$

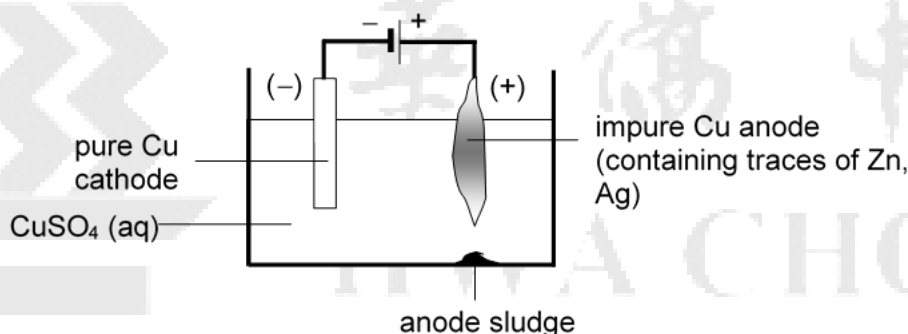
$$t = \frac{Q}{I} = \frac{14755}{0.8 \times 10^{-3}}$$
 [1] substitution, ecf

$$= 1.84 \times 10^7 \text{ s}$$

$$= 213 \text{ days}$$

[1] ecf; conversion to exact days

(b)



[1] deduct 0.5 for every mistake

$$E^\ominus_{\text{Zn}^{2+}/\text{Zn}} = -0.76 \text{ V}$$

$$E^\ominus_{\text{Cu}^{2+}/\text{Cu}} = +0.34 \text{ V}$$

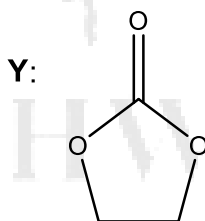
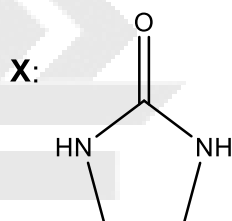
$$E^\ominus_{\text{Ag}^+/\text{Ag}} = +0.80 \text{ V}$$
 (0.5 for these 3 values correctly quoted)

At the anode, Zn is oxidised to  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  (can be described in equation form) as  $E^\ominus_{\text{Zn}^{2+}/\text{Zn}}$  is more negative than  $E^\ominus_{\text{Cu}^{2+}/\text{Cu}}$  and dissolves into the electrolyte. [0.5]

Ag will not be oxidised as  $E^\ominus_{\text{Ag}^+/\text{Ag}}$  is more positive than  $E^\ominus_{\text{Cu}^{2+}/\text{Cu}}$ , [0.5] hence Ag drops off as anode sludge. [0.5] can be drawn in diagram

At the cathode, only  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  is reduced as  $E^\ominus_{\text{Cu}^{2+}/\text{Cu}}$  is more positive than  $E^\ominus_{\text{Zn}^{2+}/\text{Zn}}$ . [0.5]  
 Hence Cu is collected, whereas  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  is not reduced/remains in solution. [0.5]

(c) (i)



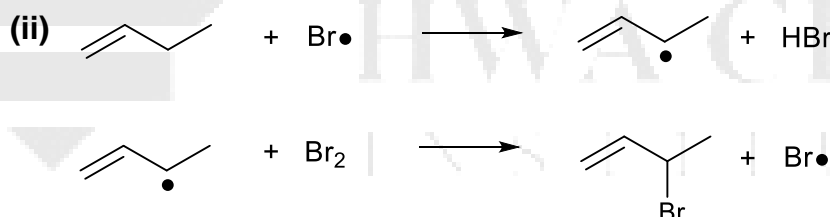
[1] each; deduct 1m if X and Y are swapped

(ii)  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  or  $\text{HCO}_3^-$  [1]  
 $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$  [1]

(d) (i)



[1/2] if only the arrows of the homolytic fission is shown



[1] per step

(iii) If liquid bromine were added, the high concentration of  $\text{Br}_2$  will result in electrophilic addition across the  $\text{C}=\text{C}$  bond. [1]

5 (a) First ionisation energy (I.E.) generally increase across Period 3. [½]

Across the period, nuclear charge (or number of protons) increases but shielding effect remains relatively constant so effective nuclear charge increase and the outermost electrons are more strongly attracted to the nucleus. [½]

The 1<sup>st</sup> I.E. of Al,  $[\text{Ne}]3s^23p^1$ , is lower than that of Mg,  $[\text{Ne}]3s^2$ . [½]

The electron is removed from the 3p subshell in Al, which is further away from the nucleus compared to the 3s subshell in Mg. [½]

The 1<sup>st</sup> I.E. of S,  $[\text{Ne}]3s^23p^4$ , is lower than that of P,  $[\text{Ne}]3s^23p^3$ . [½]

The inter-electronic repulsion between the paired 3p electrons in S is absent in P as the 3p electrons are unpaired. [½]

(b) (i) Oxidation number of chlorine in  $\text{C}/\text{F}_3$  is +3; in  $\text{Cl}_2$  is 0 [½, ½]  
 $\text{C}/\text{F}_3 + \text{Cl}_2 \rightarrow 3\text{C}/\text{F}$  [1] no ecf

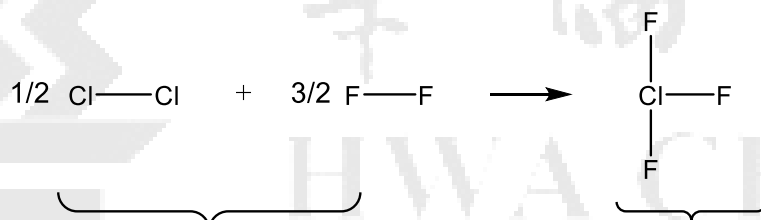
(ii)  $\text{C}/\text{F}_3$  is (energetically) more stable than its constituent elements ( $\text{Cl}_2$  and  $\text{F}_2$ ). [1]

Accept:

The decomposition of  $\text{C}/\text{F}_3$  into its elements is not feasible.

The formation of  $\text{C}/\text{F}_3$  from its elements is feasible.

(iii)



bonds broken =  $\frac{1}{2} \times 244 + \frac{3}{2} \times 158$

bonds formed =  $3 \times \text{BE}(\text{Cl}-\text{F})$

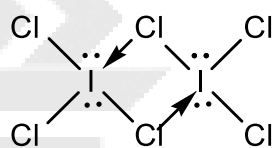
$$-163 = \frac{1}{2} \times 244 + \frac{3}{2} \times 158 - 3 \times \text{BE}(\text{Cl}-\text{F})$$

$$\text{BE}(\text{Cl}-\text{F}) = 522 \div 3 = 174 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

Correct  $\text{BE}(\text{Cl}-\text{Cl})$ ,  $\text{BE}(\text{F}-\text{F})$  and three  $\text{Cl}-\text{F}$  bonds in one  $\text{ClF}_3$  molecule [1]

Correct  $\text{BE}(\text{Cl}-\text{F})$  with units (no negative sign) [1]

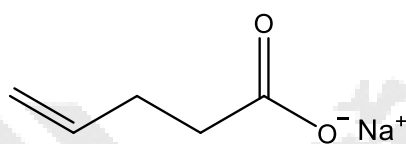
(iv)



correct shape and lone pairs [1]

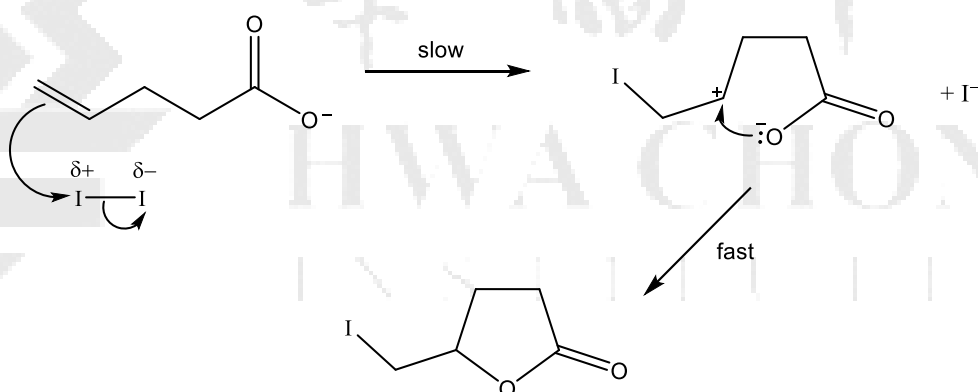
correct dative bonds (from Cl to I) [1]

(c) (i)



[1]

(ii)



Partial charges on I-I, positive charge on carbocation, lone pair on O atom, 3 curly arrows, first step is slow step [2]

-1/2 mark for each mistake

(d)

1 mol **B** undergoes oxidative cleavage  $\Rightarrow$  to give only 4 mol  $\text{CO}_2$

**B** contains 4 C atoms and one C=C bond

1 mol **B** undergoes neutralisation  $\Rightarrow$  with 2 mol NaOH

**B** contains two  $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$

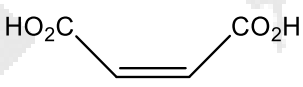
**B** exhibits stereoisomerism  $\Rightarrow$

**B** exhibits cis-trans isomerism

5-6 correct [2]

any 4 [1.5]

any 3 [1]  
any 2 [ $\frac{1}{2}$ ]

**B** is  (not required to show cis or trans arrangement) [1]

(e) (i) dilute HCl, heat  
(accept NaOH(aq), heat followed by dilute aqueous acid e.g. HCl) [1]

(ii)  $\Delta H$  would be similar (or the same) as the same bonds are broken and formed. [1]

(iii) Reaction 1 has a more negative / less positive  $\Delta G$  (from  $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$ ). [1]  
ecf from (e)(ii)

Hence,  $K_1$  is larger than  $K_2$  (from  $\Delta G = -RT\ln K$ ). [1]  
ecf from  $\Delta G$



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Candidates answer on the Question Paper

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**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Write your name and class on all the work you hand in.

Give details of the practical shift and laboratory where appropriate, in the boxes provided.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided on the Question Paper.

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Answer **all** the questions in the spaces provided.

**1 Determination of the enthalpy change of neutralisation,  $\Delta H_{\text{neut}}$ , of a strong acid by a strong base**

The enthalpy change of neutralisation,  $\Delta H_{\text{neut}}$ , is the enthalpy change when one mole of water is formed during a neutralisation reaction as shown in equation 1.



**FA 1** is a solution of sulfuric acid,  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$

**FA 2** is  $1.50 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  sodium hydroxide,  $\text{NaOH}$

You will perform a series of experiments using different volumes of **FA 1** and **FA 2** which together give a total volume of  $50 \text{ cm}^3$ . The change in temperature,  $\Delta T$ , for each experiment will be determined and used to plot a graph of  $\Delta T$  against volume of **FA 1** used.

You will then use data from the graph to determine the concentration of sulfuric acid in **FA 1**, and a value for the enthalpy change of neutralisation,  $\Delta H_{\text{neut}}$ .

**(a) (i) Determining the change in temperature for a series of reactions between FA 1 and FA 2**

1. Place the Styrofoam cup in a  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  beaker to prevent it from tipping over. Use a measuring cylinder to transfer  $10.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of **FA 1** into the cup.
2. Use a measuring cylinder to measure  $40.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of **FA 2**.
3. Measure the temperature of the **FA 1** solution using the thermometer. Record the initial temperature of **FA 1** as  $T_{\text{FA1}}$ .
4. Add **FA 2** to **FA 1** in the Styrofoam cup. Stir the mixture using the thermometer and record the maximum temperature,  $T_{\text{max}}$ , reached.
5. Wash and dry the Styrofoam cup.
6. Repeat steps 1 to 5 using  $20.0 \text{ cm}^3$ ,  $25.0 \text{ cm}^3$ ,  $30.0 \text{ cm}^3$ ,  $35.0 \text{ cm}^3$  and  $40.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of **FA 1** and appropriate volumes of **FA 2** each time such that the total volume of the reacting mixture is  $50.0 \text{ cm}^3$ .

**Keep the remaining FA 1 and FA 2 solutions for use in questions 2 and 4.**

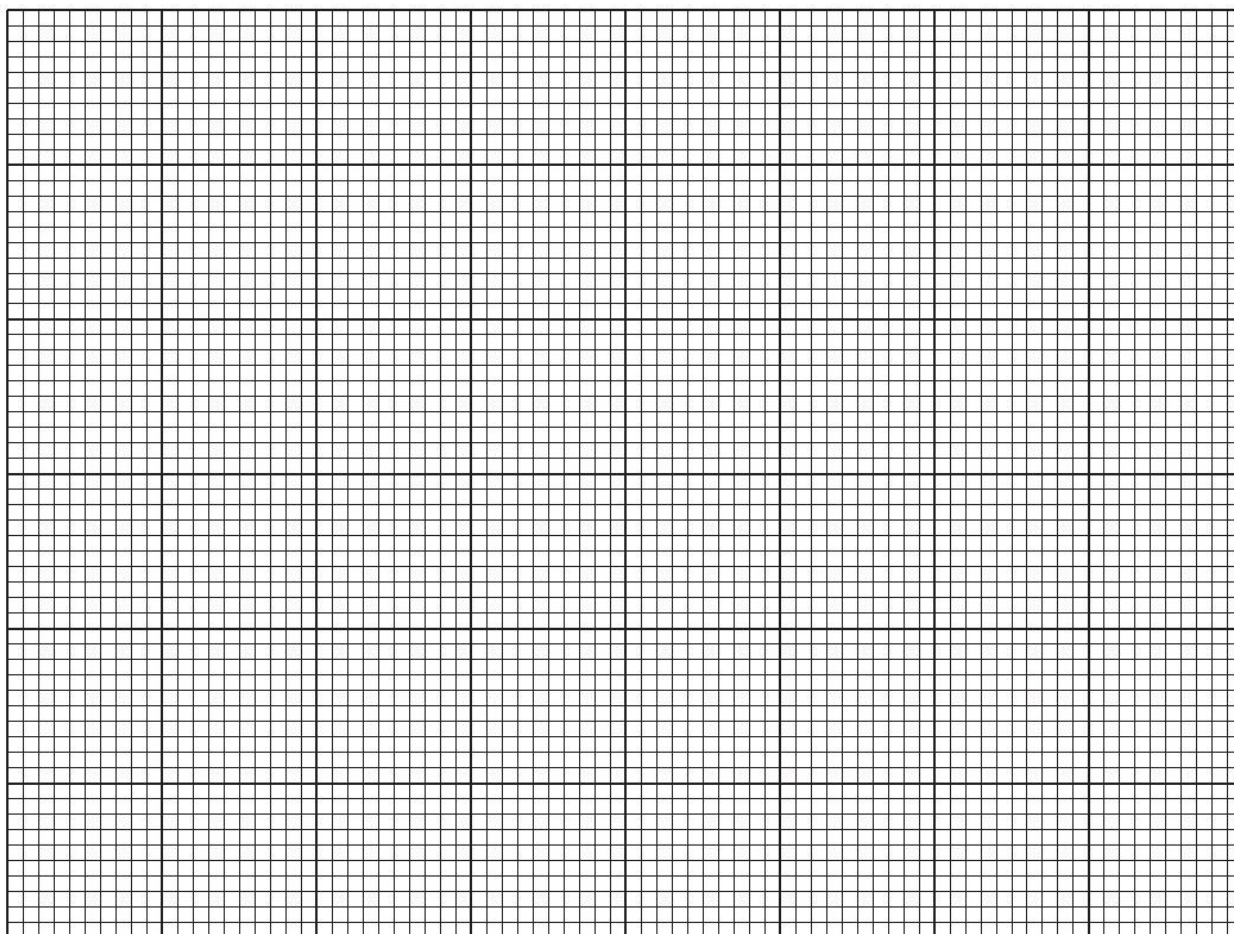
In an appropriate format in the space provided on **page 3**, record:

- all measurements of volumes used,
- all temperatures measured and the change in temperature,  $\Delta T$ .

## Results

[4]


- (ii) On the grid provided, plot a graph of  $\Delta T$  (y-axis) against volume of **FA 1** (x-axis) using the data you obtained in **1(a)(i)**.





Draw two lines of best fit.

- The first best-fit line should be drawn using the plotted points before the maximum change in temperature.
- The second best-fit line should be drawn using the plotted points after the maximum change in temperature.

Extrapolate these lines until they cross.

[3]


- (iii) Determine from your graph, the maximum change in temperature,  $\Delta T_{\max}$ , and the volume,  $V_{\max}$ , of **FA 1** required to obtain this value.

$\Delta T_{\max} = \dots\dots\dots V_{\max} = \dots\dots\dots$   
[1]

(b) Using your answers in 1(a)(iii), calculate

- (i) the concentration, in  $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$ , of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  in **FA 1**.

concentration of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  in **FA 1** = .....[1]

- (ii) the heat change for the neutralisation reaction at  $\Delta T_{\max}$ .

You should assume that the specific heat capacity of the final solution is  $4.18 \text{ J g}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ , and the density of the final solution is  $1.00 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ .

heat change = .....[1]

- (c) Using your answers from 1(b)(i) and 1(b)(ii), calculate a value for the enthalpy change of neutralisation,  $\Delta H_{\text{neut}}$ .

$$\Delta H_{\text{neut}} = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

- (d) Predict the effect on  $\Delta H_{\text{neut}}$  if the experiment was repeated with malonic acid,  $\text{HO}_2\text{CCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ , of the same concentration instead of sulfuric acid. Explain your answer.

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 .....[1]

- (e) State one significant source of error in the experiment and suggest an improvement that can be made to reduce this error.

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 .....[1]

[Total: 13]

## 2 Determination of water of crystallisation in a hydrated iron(III) salt

**FA 3** is hydrated iron(III) sulfate with formula  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . The addition of excess zinc to a solution of **FA 3** reduces the  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  ions to  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  ions.

The amount of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  ions can be determined quantitatively by titration against a standard solution of potassium manganate(VII),  $\text{KMnO}_4$ . The reaction is shown in equation 2.



In this experiment, you will prepare a standard solution using **FA 3** and perform titrations to determine the value of  $n$ , the water of crystallisation in **FA 3**.

You are also provided with

**FA 4**,  $0.0200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  potassium manganate(VII),  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ,  
zinc powder.

You will also need access to the **FA 1** solution you used earlier.

### (a) Preparation of standard solution of hydrated iron(III) salt

1. Weigh accurately the sample of **FA 3** provided with the weighing bottle. Transfer all the solid into a  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  beaker. Determine the mass of solid **FA 3** used and record all your weighings, to an appropriate level of precision, in the space below.

[1]

2. Use a measuring cylinder to add about  $100 \text{ cm}^3$  of **FA 1** to the beaker. Stir the mixture with a glass rod for 3 minutes. Ignore any cloudiness that remains.
3. Transfer the solution into a  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  volumetric flask. Rinse the beaker with deionised water and pour the washings into the volumetric flask.
4. Make up to the  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  mark with deionised water, stopper and mix thoroughly by inverting the flask a number of times.
5. Label this solution **FA 5**.

**(b) Preparation of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  solution from FA 5**

6. Use a measuring cylinder to transfer  $100\text{ cm}^3$  of **FA 5** into a **dry**  $250\text{ cm}^3$  beaker.
7. Add all the zinc powder provided in the bottle into the beaker. Cover the beaker with a watch glass.
8. Allow the reaction to take place for about 5 minutes, stirring the reaction mixture from time to time. Record your observations in the space below.

**Observations in step 8**

[1]

9. Filter the mixture into the **dry** conical flask provided using **dry** filter paper and filter funnel. Ignore any reaction that may still be taking place.
10. Label the filtrate as **FA 6**. Proceed to **2(c)** once you have collected sufficient filtrate.

**(c) (i) Titration of FA 6 against FA 4**

11. Fill a burette with **FA 4**.
12. Use a pipette to transfer  $10.0\text{ cm}^3$  of **FA 6** into a  $250\text{ cm}^3$  conical flask.
13. Use a measuring cylinder to add about  $10\text{ cm}^3$  of **FA 1** to this flask.
14. Run **FA 4** from the burette into this flask until the appearance of the first permanent pale-pink colour.
15. Record your titration results, to an appropriate level of precision, in the space below.
16. Repeat steps 12 to 15 until consistent results are obtained.

**Keep the remaining FA 1 and FA 4 solutions for use in question 4.**

**Titration results**


[3]

- (ii) From your titrations, obtain a suitable volume of **FA 4**,  $V_{\text{FA 4}}$ , to be used in your calculations. Show clearly how you obtained this volume.

$V_{\text{FA 4}} = \dots\dots\dots$  [3]


- (d) (i) Calculate the amount of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in  $10.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of **FA 6**.

amount of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in  $10.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of **FA 6** =  $\dots\dots\dots$  [1]

- (ii) In step 7, an excess of zinc was added to convert the  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  to  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ .

Calculate the amount of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  in  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  of **FA 5**.

amount of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  in  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  of **FA 5** =  $\dots\dots\dots$  [1]

- (iii) Use your answer from **2(d)(ii)** to calculate the  $M_r$  of the hydrated iron(III) sulfate,  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , in **FA 3**.

$M_r$  of the hydrated iron(III) sulfate = .....

Hence, deduce the value of  $n$ , the water of crystallisation in the hydrated iron(III) sulfate.

[ $A_r$ : Fe, 55.8; S, 32.1; O, 16.0; H, 1.0]

$n = \dots\dots\dots$  [5]


- (e) Explain all the observations in step 8 in terms of the chemical processes involved.

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- (f) In step 9, excess zinc was filtered off before titration of **FA 6** against **FA 4** to avoid any possible reaction between zinc and **FA 4**.

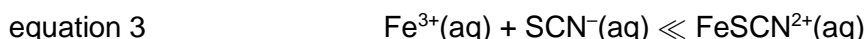
Suggest another reason why it was necessary to filter off the excess zinc metal, and what effect failing to do it would have on the titre values.

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 ..... [1]

[Total: 17]

### 3 Planning

Iron(III) ion,  $\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq})$ , and thiocyanate ion,  $\text{SCN}^{-}(\text{aq})$ , react to give the thiocyanatoiron(III) complex ion,  $\text{FeSCN}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ , as shown in equation 3.

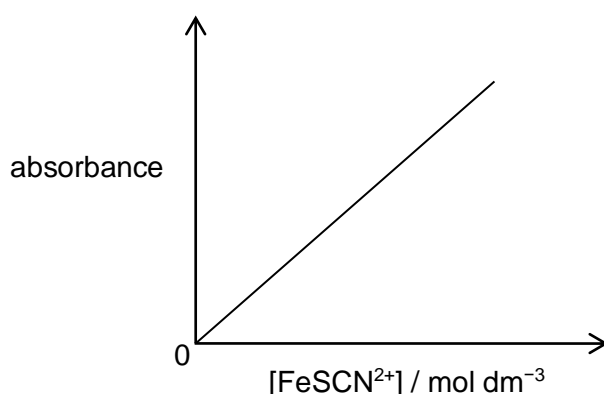


- (a) Write an expression for the equilibrium constant,  $K_c$ , of the reaction between  $\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq})$  and  $\text{SCN}^{-}(\text{aq})$ .

[1]

The colour of  $\text{FeSCN}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  varies from deep red to orange depending on its concentration. It is possible to determine the concentration of a solution of  $\text{FeSCN}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  by placing  $3 \text{ cm}^3$  of the solution inside a glass sample holder, known as a *cuvette*, into the spectrophotometer. The machine measures the amount of light absorbed when blue light is shone through the solution. The amount of light absorbed is expressed as an *absorbance value*. The more concentrated the solution, the higher the absorbance value.

- (b) A plot of absorbance against concentration is known as a *calibration line*. Fig. 3.1 shows the calibration line obtained when the absorbance values of a series of standard solutions containing  $\text{FeSCN}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  were measured.



**Fig. 3.1**

One of the standard solutions was prepared by mixing  $5.00 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  aqueous iron(III) nitrate,  $\text{Fe}(\text{NO}_3)_3$ , and  $5.00 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  potassium thiocyanate,  $\text{KSCN}$ .

Show that the concentration of  $\text{FeSCN}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  is  $1.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  in this standard solution, and explain why the amount of aqueous iron(III) nitrate used must be in large excess in the standard solutions used to obtain the calibration line.

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 .....[2]

To determine a value for  $K_c$ , known amounts of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq})$  and  $\text{SCN}^{-}(\text{aq})$  are mixed to produce a solution of  $\text{FeSCN}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ . The absorbance of this solution is then measured. Using the calibration line in Fig 3.1, the concentration of  $\text{FeSCN}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  can be determined. This can be used to calculate the concentrations of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq})$  and  $\text{SCN}^{-}(\text{aq})$  in the equilibrium mixture and hence  $K_c$ .

The following equation represents the relationship between  $K_c$  and temperature in kelvin,  $T$ :

$$\ln K_c = -\frac{\Delta H^{\circ}}{R} \left( \frac{1}{T} \right) + \frac{\Delta S^{\circ}}{R}$$

$R$  is the molar gas constant with a value of  $8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ .

$\Delta H^{\circ}$  is the standard enthalpy change of reaction.

$\Delta S^{\circ}$  is the standard entropy change of reaction.

A plot of  $\ln K_c$  against  $1/T$  can then be used to graphically determine  $\Delta H^{\circ}$  and  $\Delta S^{\circ}$ .

- (c) Plan an investigation to determine the effect of temperature,  $T$ , on the equilibrium constant,  $K_c$  of the reaction between  $\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq})$  and  $\text{SCN}^{-}(\text{aq})$ .

You may assume that you are provided with:

- $2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  iron(III) nitrate,
- $2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  potassium thiocyanate,
- a cuvette,
- access to a spectrophotometer and instructions for its use,
- the equipment normally found in a school or college laboratory.

In your plan you should include:

- an outline of how you would prepare a solution of  $\text{FeSCN}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ ,
- an outline of how you would determine the concentration of  $\text{FeSCN}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  in the solution at different temperatures,
- brief, but specific, details of how the concentrations, in  $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$ , of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq})$  and  $\text{SCN}^{-}(\text{aq})$  in the equilibrium mixture can be determined, and how you would use these concentrations to determine  $K_c$  for one of your chosen temperatures.

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- (d) (i) Given that the reaction between  $\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq})$  and  $\text{SCN}^{-}(\text{aq})$  is exothermic, sketch a graph you would expect to obtain using data obtained from **3(c)** on the axes in Fig 3.2.

Explain your answer.

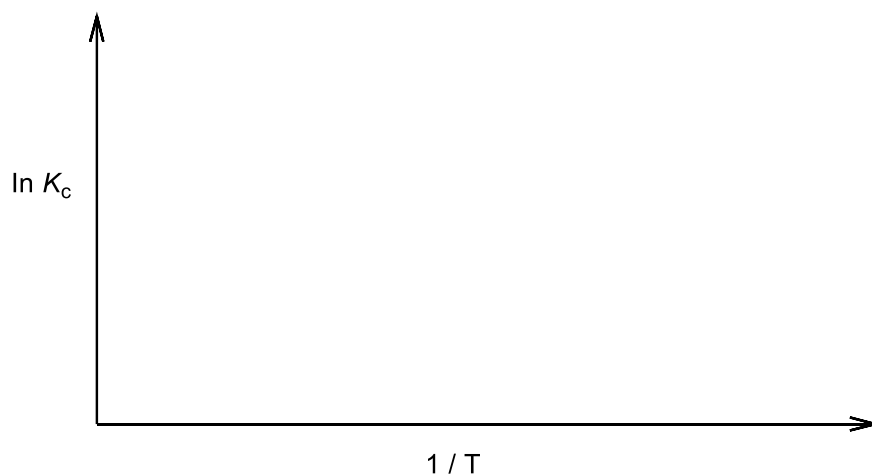


Fig. 3.2

Explanation .....

[2]

- (ii) Describe how would you use your graph in **3(d)(i)** to determine values for  $\Delta H^\ominus$  and  $\Delta S^\ominus$ .

[2]

[Total: 13]

#### 4 Investigation of some reactions involving manganese compounds

**FA 7** is solid manganese dioxide,  $\text{MnO}_2$ .

**FA 8** is an aqueous solution of hydrogen peroxide,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ .

In addition to access to the usual bench reagents, you are also provided with the following.

- aqueous sodium thiosulfate,  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3(\text{aq})$

You will also need access to the **FA 1**, **FA 2** and **FA 4** solutions you used earlier.

Perform the tests described in Tables 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 and record your observations. Test any gases produced.

**Table 4.1**

	test	observations
<b>(a)</b>	Place 1 cm depth of <b>FA 1</b> in a test-tube. Add a spatula of <b>FA 7</b> to this test-tube, followed by another 2 cm depth of aqueous potassium iodide.	
	Filter the mixture into a clean test-tube and collect the filtrate.	
	To the filtrate, add aqueous sodium thiosulfate dropwise, with shaking, until the solution first becomes colourless.	
	Divide the filtrate into two portions.	
	To the first portion, add <b>FA 2</b> slowly until no further change is seen.	
	To the second portion, add aqueous ammonia slowly until no further change is seen.	

[3]

- (b)** Suggest the role of **FA 7** in the reaction occurring in **4(a)**. Explain your answer with **two** observations from your experiment.

Role of **FA 7** .....

Explanation

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 .....

.....[2]

Table 4.2

	test	observations
(c)	Place 3 cm depth of <b>FA 8</b> into a test-tube. Add a spatula of <b>FA 7</b> to this test-tube.	[1]

- (d) The mixture in **4(c)** was filtered and the filtrate divided into two portions. When **FA 2** and  $\text{NH}_3(\text{aq})$  were added to the two portions respectively, no precipitate was formed.

Explain why this observation shows that **FA 7** plays a different role in the reaction taking place in **4(c)** as compared to **4(a)**.

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 .....[1]

- (e) Hence, suggest the role of **FA 7** in the reaction in **4(c)** and justify your answer with an observation from your experiment.

Role of **FA 7**.....

Explanation

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 .....[1]

Question 4 continues on the next page.

Table 4.3

	test	observations
(f)	<p>Place 1 cm depth of <b>FA 2</b> into a test-tube. Add 5 drops of aqueous potassium iodide and shake.</p> <p>Add <b>FA 4</b> to the mixture dropwise, with shaking, until 10 drops have been added.</p> <p>Then add 1 cm depth of aqueous barium nitrate slowly, with shaking, into the same test-tube.</p> <p>Filter the mixture into a boiling tube. Wash the residue thoroughly with deionised water. Discard the washings. Retain the residue for use in <b>4(g)</b>.</p>	
(g)	<p>Place the filter funnel with the residue from <b>4(f)</b> over a clean test-tube.</p> <p>Carefully add <b>FA 1</b> slowly until it covers the residue. Observe until no further changes are seen.</p>	[2]

- (h) When aqueous barium nitrate was added to the mixture in **4(f)**, a Mn-containing species was precipitated and collected as residue on filtration. When **FA 1** was then added to this residue in **4(g)**, two Mn-containing species, **X** and **Y**, were produced which could be found in the final residue and filtrate respectively.

Suggest the identities of **X** and **Y**.

Identity of **X** in the residue .....

Identity of **Y** in the filtrate ..... [1]

- (i) A white precipitate is also formed after adding **FA 1** in **4(g)** but it is unlikely that you will have noticed it. Suggest the identity of this white precipitate.

..... [1]

[Total: 12]

## Qualitative Analysis Notes

[ppt. = precipitate]

### (a) Reactions of aqueous cations

<b>cation</b>	<b>reaction with</b>	
	NaOH(aq)	NH <sub>3</sub> (aq)
aluminium, Al <sup>3+</sup> (aq)	white ppt. soluble in excess	white ppt. insoluble in excess
ammonium, NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> (aq)	ammonia produced on heating	-
barium, Ba <sup>2+</sup> (aq)	no ppt. (if reagents are pure)	no ppt.
calcium, Ca <sup>2+</sup> (aq)	white ppt. with high [Ca <sup>2+</sup> (aq)]	no ppt.
chromium(III), Cr <sup>3+</sup> (aq)	grey-green ppt. soluble in excess giving dark green solution	grey-green ppt. insoluble in excess
copper(II), Cu <sup>2+</sup> (aq)	pale blue ppt. insoluble in excess	blue ppt. soluble in excess giving dark blue solution
iron(II), Fe <sup>2+</sup> (aq)	green ppt., turning brown on contact with air insoluble in excess	green ppt., turning brown on contact with air insoluble in excess
iron(III), Fe <sup>3+</sup> (aq)	red-brown ppt. insoluble in excess	red-brown ppt. insoluble in excess
magnesium, Mg <sup>2+</sup> (aq)	white ppt. insoluble in excess	white ppt. insoluble in excess
manganese(II), Mn <sup>2+</sup> (aq)	off-white ppt., rapidly turning brown on contact with air insoluble in excess	off-white ppt., rapidly turning brown on contact with air insoluble in excess
zinc, Zn <sup>2+</sup> (aq)	white ppt. soluble in excess	white ppt. soluble in excess

**(b) Reactions of aqueous anions**

<i>ion</i>	<i>reaction</i>
carbonate, $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$	$\text{CO}_2$ liberated by dilute acids
chloride, $\text{Cl}^-(\text{aq})$	gives white ppt. with $\text{Ag}^+(\text{aq})$ (soluble in $\text{NH}_3(\text{aq})$ )
bromide, $\text{Br}^-(\text{aq})$	gives pale cream ppt. with $\text{Ag}^+(\text{aq})$ (partially soluble in $\text{NH}_3(\text{aq})$ )
iodide, $\text{I}^-(\text{aq})$	gives yellow ppt. with $\text{Ag}^+(\text{aq})$ (insoluble in $\text{NH}_3(\text{aq})$ )
nitrate, $\text{NO}_3^-(\text{aq})$	$\text{NH}_3$ liberated on heating with $\text{OH}^-(\text{aq})$ and Al foil
nitrite, $\text{NO}_2^-(\text{aq})$	$\text{NH}_3$ liberated on heating with $\text{OH}^-(\text{aq})$ and Al foil; $\text{NO}$ liberated by dilute acids (colourless $\text{NO} \rightarrow$ (pale) brown $\text{NO}_2$ in air)
sulfate, $\text{SO}_4^{2-}(\text{aq})$	gives white ppt. with $\text{Ba}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ (insoluble in excess dilute strong acids)
sulfite, $\text{SO}_3^{2-}(\text{aq})$	$\text{SO}_2$ liberated on warming with dilute acids; gives white ppt. with $\text{Ba}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ (soluble in dilute strong acids)

**(c) Tests for gases**

<i>gas</i>	<i>test and test result</i>
ammonia, $\text{NH}_3$	turns damp red litmus paper blue
carbon dioxide, $\text{CO}_2$	gives a white ppt. with limewater (ppt. dissolves with excess $\text{CO}_2$ )
chlorine, $\text{Cl}_2$	bleaches damp litmus paper
hydrogen, $\text{H}_2$	"pops" with a lighted splint
oxygen, $\text{O}_2$	relights a glowing splint
sulfur dioxide, $\text{SO}_2$	turns aqueous acidified potassium manganate(VII) from purple to colourless

**(d) Colour of halogens**

<i>halogen</i>	<i>colour of element</i>	<i>colour in aqueous solution</i>	<i>colour in hexane</i>
chlorine, $\text{Cl}_2$	greenish yellow gas	pale yellow	pale yellow
bromine, $\text{Br}_2$	reddish brown gas / liquid	orange	orange-red
iodine, $\text{I}_2$	black solid / purple gas	brown	purple



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**SUGGESTED SOLUTIONS**

**Paper 4**

- 1 (a) (i) • Tabulates volumes and temperature data in **(a)(i)**  
Table should contain correct headers and units. Data headers to include volume of **FA 1**, volume of **FA 2**,  $T_{FA1}$ ,  $T_{max}$  and  $\Delta T$ . [1]

Volume of <b>FA 1</b> / cm <sup>3</sup>	Volume of <b>FA 2</b> / cm <sup>3</sup>	$T_{FA1}$ / °C	$T_{max}$ / °C	$\Delta T$ / °C
10.0	40.0	32.0	36.0	4.0
20.0	30.0	32.0	39.5	7.5
25.0	25.0	32.0	41.5	9.5
30.0	20.0	32.0	41.0	9.0
35.0	15.0	32.0	38.5	6.5
40.0	10.0	32.0	36.0	4.0

- Complete 6 sets of volume/temperature readings in **(a)(i)**  
Required volumes: Volume of **FA 1** = 10.0 cm<sup>3</sup>, 20.0 cm<sup>3</sup>, 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup>, 30.0 cm<sup>3</sup>, 35.0 cm<sup>3</sup> and 40.0 cm<sup>3</sup>  
**and**  
use appropriate volume of **FA 2** such that the total volume of reacting mixture in each set of data is 50 cm<sup>3</sup> [1]
  - Records all temperature data in **(a)(i)** to 0.5°C,  
all volumes for **FA 1** and **FA 2** in **(a)(i)** to 1 d.p. [1]
  - Correctly calculates all  $\Delta T$  values to 1 d.p. in **(a)(i)** [1]
- (a) (ii) • Axes correct way round **and** correct labels **and** units **and** scale [1]  
*Note: Scale chosen must allow for the lines to be extrapolated to cross each other. The plotted points should occupy at least half the grid in both directions.*
- All points are correctly plotted to within  $\pm \frac{1}{2}$  small square. [1]
  - All drawn graph lines are straight best-fit lines and are extrapolated to cross each other.
- and**  
there are at least three points on each side of the graphically determined  $\Delta T_{max}$  [1]



- (a) (iii)  $\Delta T_{\max}$  and  $V_{\max}$  are read correctly to  $\pm \frac{1}{2}$  small square from graph

From the sample graph,  $\Delta T_{\max} = 10.4\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   $V_{\max} = V(\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4) = 27.25\text{ cm}^3$

[1]

- (b) (i)  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 + 2\text{NaOH} \rightarrow \text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

$$V(\text{NaOH}) = 50.0 - 27.25 = 22.75\text{ cm}^3$$

$$n(\text{NaOH}) = 1.50 \times (22.75/1000) = 0.03413\text{ mol}$$

$$n(\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4) = 0.03413 / 2 = 0.01706\text{ mol}$$

$$[\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4] = 0.01706 / (27.25/1000) = 0.626\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

[1]

- (ii) Heat change =  $m_{\text{solution}} c \Delta T_{\max} = 50.0 \times 4.18 \times 10.4 = 2174\text{ J}$

[1]

- (c)  $n(\text{H}_2\text{O}) = n(\text{NaOH}) = 0.03413\text{ mol}$

$$\Delta H_{\text{neut}} = -2174 / 0.03413 = -6.37 \times 10^4\text{ J mol}^{-1} = -63.7\text{ kJ mol}^{-1} \text{ (Sign must be negative)}$$

[1]

- (d)  $\Delta H_{\text{neut}}$  would be less exothermic as malonic acid is a weak acid. Energy is absorbed to ionise the un-ionised weak acid.

[1]

- (e) Suggested sources of errors **and** its appropriate improvements:

[1]

heat loss to the surrounding **and** use a cup lid to minimise heat exchange with the surrounding air

$V_{\text{FA1}}$  and  $V_{\text{FA2}}$  is to 1 d.p. as measured using less precise measuring cylinders **and** can be measured using more precise burettes to give 2 d.p.

initial temperature of **FA 2** was not accounted for **and** weighted initial temperature should be calculated where

$$T_{\text{weighted initial}} = \frac{(\text{Volume of FA 1} \times T_{\text{FA1}}) + (\text{Volume of FA 2} \times T_{\text{FA2}})}{\text{Volume of FA 1} + \text{Volume of FA 2}}$$

heat capacity of the calorimeter (Styrofoam cup) was not accounted for **and** heat absorbed by the styrofoam cup can be included in the calculation of heat change

2 (a)

Mass of weighing bottle and <b>FA 3</b> / g	
Mass of weighing bottle and residual <b>FA 3</b> / g	
Mass of <b>FA 3</b> used / g	

Tables have correct **headers and units** (included in the header or with each entry in the table)

[1]

- (b) Effervescence observed. [0.5]  
 and  
Yellow / greenish yellow / yellow green solution turned colourless / very pale green. [0.5]

(c) (i)	Final burette reading / cm <sup>3</sup>	
	Initial burette reading / cm <sup>3</sup>	
	Volume of FA 4 used / cm <sup>3</sup>	

- Tables have correct headers and units (included in the header or with each entry in the table) [1]  
*Note: Mark is lost if any final and initial burette readings are inverted or 50 is used as the initial burette reading.*

- All mass reading in (a) are recorded to the nearest **0.01 g** and burette readings & volume used for all accurate titres in the titration table are recorded to the nearest **0.05 cm<sup>3</sup>**. [1]

- At least two uncorrected titres for end-point within  $\pm 0.10 \text{ cm}^3$ . [1]

- (c) (ii) • Student obtains average titre, to **2 d.p.**, from any experiments with end-point titre values within  $0.10 \text{ cm}^3$  [1]

*Mark is lost if there are arithmetic errors in the table.*

*Mark is lost if the titres used are not identified either in the table (by, for example, a tick) or in a calculation.*

- Accuracy

Supervisor's  $V_{\text{FA 4}} / m_{\text{FA 3}} = 1.530$

Difference between student's and supervisor's  $V_{\text{FA 4}} / m_{\text{FA 3}}$

If difference is  $\leq 0.045 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ g}^{-1}$  [2]

If difference is  $> 0.045$  but  $\leq 0.075 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ g}^{-1}$  [1]

For a difference  $> 0.075$  [0]

- (d) (i) If  $V_{\text{FA 4}} = 10.10 \text{ cm}^3$

$$\eta(\text{Fe}^{2+}) = 10.10 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.020 \times 5 = 1.01 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol (3 s.f.)} \quad [1]$$

- (d) (ii)  $\eta(\text{Fe}^{3+}) = 1.01 \times 10^{-3} \times 250 / 10.0 = 0.0253 \text{ mol (3 s.f.)} \quad [1]$

- (d) (iii)  $m_{\text{FA 3}} = 6.60 \text{ g}$

Mole ratio of  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O} : \text{Fe}^{3+} = 1 : 2$

Number of moles of  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O} = 0.0253 \div 2 = 0.01265 \text{ mol}$

$M_r$  of  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O} = 6.60 / 0.01265 = 521.7 \quad [1]$

$$n = \{521.7 - [2(55.8) + 3(32.1) + 12(16.0)]\} \div 18.0 = 7 \text{ (nearest whole number)} \quad [1]$$

- Shows working in **1(b)(i)**, **1(b)(ii)**, **1(c)**, **2(d)(i)**, **2(d)(ii)** and **2(d)(iii)**. All calculations must be relevant although they may not be complete or correct. **Any calculation not attempted loses this mark.** [1]
- Shows appropriate significant figures (3 or 4 sf) in all final answers (in the blank) in **1(b)(i)**, **1(b)(ii)**, **1(c)**, **2(d)(i)** and **2(d)(ii)**. For **2(d)(iii)**,  $M_r$  can be given to 1 d.p. or 3 s.f. but  $n$  should be given as a whole number. **Any calculation not attempted loses this mark.** [1]
- Shows appropriate units in all final answers (in the blank) in **1(a)(iii)** ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,  $\text{cm}^3$ ), **1(b)(i)** ( $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$ ), **1(b)(ii)** (J or kJ), **1(c)** ( $\text{J mol}^{-1}$  or  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ ), **2(c)(ii)** ( $\text{cm}^3$ ), **2(d)(i)** (mol), **2(d)(ii)** (mol). Units should not be given for  $M_r$  or  $n$  in **2(d)(iii)**. **Any calculation not attempted loses this mark.** [1]

(e) Effervescence was observed as zinc reacted with acid to form  $\text{H}_2$  gas. [0.5]

Yellow solution turned colourless / very pale green as  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  was reduced to  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ . [0.5]

(f) Zinc metal that is not removed will continue to reduce  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  formed during the titration to  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ , resulting in a higher than expected titre. [1]

3 (a) 
$$K_c = \frac{[\text{FeSCN}^{2+}]}{[\text{Fe}^{3+}][\text{SCN}^-]}$$
 [1]

(b) no. of moles of  $\text{FeSCN}^{2+}$  formed  $\approx$  no. of moles of  $\text{SCN}^-$  added  
 $= 2.00 \times 10^{-3} \times (5/1000) = 1.00 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol}$   
 $[\text{FeSCN}^{2+}] = (1.00 \times 10^{-5}) / (10/1000) = 1.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  [1]

Large excess of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  is used to drive the equilibrium almost completely to the right. [1]

Hence, the amount of  $\text{FeSCN}^{2+}$  produced will be essentially equal to the amount of  $\text{SCN}^-$  added.

(c) **Procedure** (sample answer)

- Using separate burettes, transfer  $5.00 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $\text{Fe}(\text{NO}_3)_3$  and  $5.00 \text{ cm}^3$  of KSCN into a boiling tube. Stopper and shake to ensure a homogeneous solution.
- Rinse and fill a cuvette with  $3 \text{ cm}^3$  of the mixture.
- Place the cuvette in a thermostatically controlled water bath maintained at  $50^{\circ}\text{C}$  for about 5 min.
- Measure and record the temperature of the solution using a thermometer.

5. Remove the cuvette from the water bath, and immediately measure and record the absorbance (at wavelength of blue light 447 nm) using a spectrophotometer.
6. Repeat steps 3 – 5 at 40 °C, 30 °C, 20 °C and 10 °C.  
or  
Repeat steps 2 – 5 (total volume must then be at least  $5 \times 3 = 15 \text{ cm}^3$ ) at 40 °C, 30 °C, 20 °C and 10 °C.

**M1 – Logical sequence [1]** (minus  $\frac{1}{2}$  mark for each missing point)

- Mixing known volumes of  $\text{Fe}(\text{NO}_3)_3$  and  $\text{KSCN}$ , amount of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  not more than 10 times of  $\text{SCN}^-$ , total volume  $> 3 \text{ cm}^3$
- Measure (and record) the temperature of the mixture
- Measure (and record) the absorbance of the mixture

**M2 – Apparatus [1]** ( $\frac{1}{2}$  mark for each point)

- separate burettes for  $\text{Fe}(\text{NO}_3)_3$  and  $\text{KSCN}$  (or other precise apparatus e.g. micropipette or pipette)
- thermostatically controlled water bath

**M3 – Essential details [1]** ( $\frac{1}{2}$  mark for each point)

- Shake boiling tube / test-tube/ swirl conical flask (with stopper) or stir beaker (with glass rod)
- Allow time for the mixture to equilibrate in the water bath (e.g. 5 - 10 min) **and** measure absorbance immediately

**M4 – Choice of temperatures [1]** ( $\frac{1}{2}$  mark for each point)

- at least 5 different temperatures
- with at least 5 °C difference,  $0 \text{ °C} < T < 100 \text{ °C}$

**M5 and M6 – Treatment of results [2]** ( $\frac{1}{2}$  mark for each point)

- use calibration line to determine  $[\text{FeSCN}^{2+}]$  (accept if show how on calibration line)
- correct  $[\text{Fe}^{3+}]_{\text{initial}}$  and  $[\text{SCN}^-]_{\text{initial}}$
- correct  $[\text{Fe}^{3+}]_{\text{eqm}}$  and  $[\text{SCN}^-]_{\text{eqm}}$ ; ecf from initial conc
- correct expression for  $K_c$  in terms of  $[\text{FeSCN}^{2+}]_{\text{eqm}}$ ; ecf from eqm conc

Sample answer:

For each absorbance obtained, read off the calibration line to determine the corresponding  $[\text{FeSCN}^{2+}]$  at each temperature.

	$\text{Fe}^{3+}$	+	$\text{SCN}^-$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{FeSCN}^{2+}$
initial / $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$	$\frac{2 \times 10^{-3} \times 5}{10}$ $= 1.00 \times 10^{-3}$		$\frac{2 \times 10^{-3} \times 5}{10}$ $= 1.00 \times 10^{-3}$		0
change / $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$	- x		- x		+ x
eqm / $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$	$0.001 - x$		$0.001 - x$		$[\text{FeSCN}^{2+}] = x$

$$K_c = \frac{x}{(0.001-x)^2}$$

(d) (i)

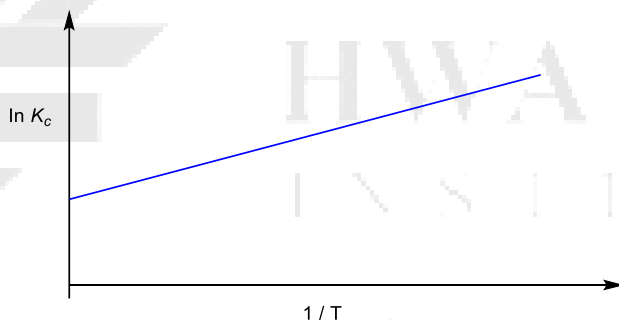


Fig. 3.1

[1]

Compare the equation given to  $y = mx + c$ , gradient =  $-\Delta H / R$ .  
As  $\Delta H < 0$  and  $R > 0$ , gradient is positive

[1]

Accept correct explanation using LCP.

Mark for explanation may be lost if graph is incorrect.

(d) (ii) gradient =  $\Delta y / \Delta x = -\Delta H / R$

Hence,  $\Delta H = -\text{gradient} \times R = -\text{gradient} \times 8.31$  [1]

y-intercept =  $\Delta S / R$

Hence,  $\Delta S = \text{y-intercept} \times R = \text{y-intercept} \times 8.31$  [1]

Correct expressions for  $\Delta H$  and  $\Delta S$  (i.e. both must be the subject). Accept correct descriptions instead of expressions.

4 (a)

1. Black/dark brown/grey residue obtained.
2. Brown/orange/yellow filtrate obtained.
3. Off-white/light brown/yellow/orange ppt formed insoluble in excess NaOH(aq). (REJECT: brown ppt).
4. Off-white ppt which turned brown/darkened on standing (must appear at least once either with NaOH(aq) or NH<sub>3</sub>(aq)).
5. Off-white/light brown/yellow/orange ppt formed insoluble in excess NH<sub>3</sub>(aq) (insoluble must appear at least once in point 3 or 5).

(c)

6. Effervescence observed (REJECT: gas evolved).
7. Gas relit glowing splint.

(f)

8. Solution turned green
9. Then darker green.
10. Dark blue/dark green/blue-green residue obtained.
11. Colourless filtrate.

(g)

12. Purple/Pink filtrate obtained.
13. Residue turned brown/black/grey (must show a change in colour from point 10)

**Observation points**

11 – 13 = 6 marks

9 – 10 = 5 marks

7 – 8 = 4 marks

5 – 6 = 3 marks

3 – 4 = 2 marks

1 – 2 = 1 mark

0 = 0 mark

**[6]**

**(b) Oxidising agent [1]**

Evidence 1: Since a brown/orange/yellow solution is formed that decolourises with  $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$ ,  $\text{I}^-$  was oxidised to  $\text{I}_2$ . [ $\frac{1}{2}$ ]

Evidence 2:  $\text{MnO}_2$  was reduced to  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ , as seen by the off-white/light brown ppt formed with  $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$  that darkened on standing. [ $\frac{1}{2}$ ]

**(d)** Since there was no ppt with  $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$ ,  $\text{MnO}_2$  was not reduced to  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  or an off-white ppt will be formed, hence it is not acting as an oxidising agent. **[1]**

**(e)** Heterogeneous catalyst [ $\frac{1}{2}$ ]

Since there was brisk effervescence, it indicates that rate of decomposition of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  is faster. [ $\frac{1}{2}$ ]

**(h)** X:  $\text{MnO}_2$  [ $\frac{1}{2}$ ]

Y:  $\text{MnO}_4^-$  [ $\frac{1}{2}$ ] (no credit if colour of filtrate is not correct)

**(i)**  $\text{BaSO}_4$ . **[1]**