

# SL Paper 2

A student determined the percentage of the active ingredient magnesium hydroxide,  $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$ , in a 1.24 g antacid tablet.

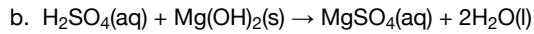
The antacid tablet was added to 50.00 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> sulfuric acid, which was in excess.

- a. Calculate the amount, in mol, of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ . [1]
  - b. Formulate the equation for the reaction of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  with  $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$ . [1]
  - c. The excess sulfuric acid required 20.80 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.1133 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> NaOH for neutralization. [1]
- Calculate the amount of excess acid present.
- d. Calculate the amount of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  that reacted with  $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$ . [1]
  - e. Determine the mass of  $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$  in the antacid tablet. [2]
  - f. Calculate the percentage by mass of magnesium hydroxide in the 1.24 g antacid tablet to three significant figures. [1]

## Markscheme

a.  $n(\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4) = 0.0500 \text{ dm}^3 \times 0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} = 0.00500 / 5.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$

**[1 mark]**



Accept an ionic equation.

**[1 mark]**

c.  $n(\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4) = \frac{1}{2} \times n(\text{NaOH}) = \frac{1}{2} (0.02080 \text{ dm}^3 \times 0.1133 \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$

$0.001178 / 1.178 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$

**[1 mark]**

d.  $n(\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4) \text{ reacted} = 0.00500 - 0.001178 = 0.00382 / 3.82 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$

**[1 mark]**

e.  $n(\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2) = n(\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4) = 0.00382 / 3.82 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$

$m(\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2) = 0.00382 \text{ mol} \times 58.33 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = 0.223 \text{ g}$

Award [2] for correct final answer.

**[2 marks]**

f. % Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub> =  $\frac{0.223 \text{ g}}{1.24 \text{ g}} \times 100\% = 18.0\%$

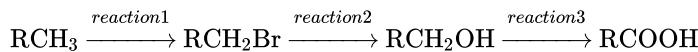
Answer must show three significant figures.

[1 mark]

## Examiners report

- a. [N/A]
  - b. [N/A]
  - c. [N/A]
  - d. [N/A]
  - e. [N/A]
  - f. [N/A]
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Consider the following sequence of reactions.



RCH<sub>3</sub> is an unknown alkane in which R represents an alkyl group.

The mechanism in *reaction 2* is described as S<sub>N</sub>2.

Propan-1-ol has two structural isomers.

- a. The alkane contains 81.7% by mass of carbon. Determine its empirical formula, showing your working. [3]
- b. Equal volumes of carbon dioxide and the unknown alkane are found to have the same mass, measured to an accuracy of two significant figures, at the same temperature and pressure. Deduce the molecular formula of the alkane. [1]
- c. (i) State the reagent and conditions needed for *reaction 1*. [2]
- (ii) State the reagent(s) and conditions needed for *reaction 3*.
- d. *Reaction 1* involves a free-radical mechanism. Describe the stepwise mechanism, by giving equations to represent the initiation, propagation and termination steps. [4]
- e. (i) State the meaning of each of the symbols in S<sub>N</sub>2. [4]
- (ii) Explain the mechanism of this reaction using curly arrows to show the movement of electron pairs, and draw the structure of the transition state.
- f. (i) Deduce the structural formula of each isomer. [4]
- (ii) Identify the isomer from part (f) (i) which has the higher boiling point and explain your choice. Refer to both isomers in your explanation.

## Markscheme

a. n<sub>C</sub> =  $\frac{81.7}{12.01} = 6.80$  and n<sub>H</sub> =  $\frac{18.3}{1.01} = 18.1$ ;

ratio of 1: 2.67 /1: 2.7;

C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>;

No penalty for using 12 and 1.

b. C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>;

c. (i) Br<sub>2</sub> /bromine;

UV/ultraviolet light;

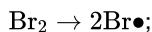
Accept hf/hv/sunlight.

(ii) Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub><sup>2-</sup> / MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> and acidified/H<sup>+</sup> /H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>;

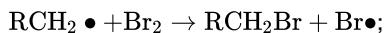
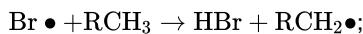
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heat / reflux;

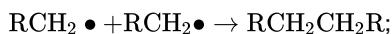
d. initiation:



propagation:



termination:



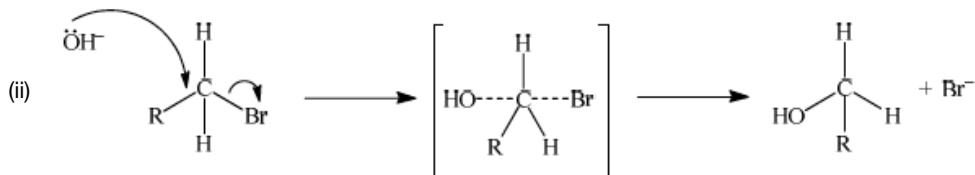
Award [1] for any termination step.

Accept radical with or without  $\bullet$  throughout.

Do not penalise the use of an incorrect alkane in the mechanism.

e. (i) substitution and nucleophilic and bimolecular/two species in rate-determining step;

Allow second order in place of bimolecular.



curly arrow going from lone pair/negative charge on O in OH<sup>-</sup> to C;

Do not allow curly arrow originating on H in OH<sup>-</sup>.

curly arrow showing Br leaving;

Accept curly arrow either going from bond between C and Br to Br in bromoethane or in the transition state.

representation of transition state showing negative charge, square brackets and partial bonds;

Do not penalize if HO and Br are not at 180° to each other.

Do not award M3 if OH----C bond is represented unless already penalised in M1.

Do not penalise the use of an incorrect alkyl chain in the mechanism.

f. (i) CH<sub>3</sub>OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>;

CH<sub>3</sub>CHOHCH<sub>3</sub>;

Allow more detailed structural formulas.

(ii)  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHOHCH}_3$  has higher boiling point due to hydrogen bonding;

$\text{CH}_3\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3$  has lower boiling point due to Van der Waals'/London/dispersion/dipole-dipole forces;

Hydrogen bonds in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHOHCH}_3$  are stronger;

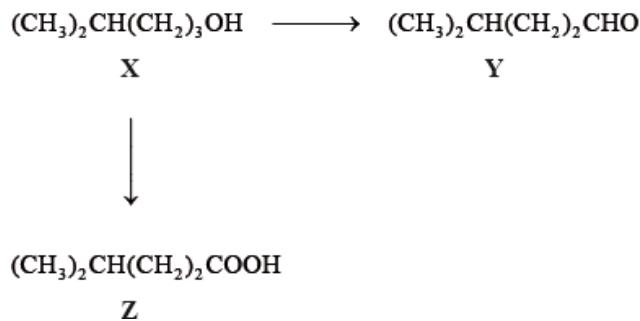
Allow ecf if wrong structures suggested.

## Examiners report

- a. This was the least popular question in Section B but there was a generally pleasing level of performance. Most candidates scored at least 2 out of 3 marks for calculating the empirical formula. Several candidates correctly worked out the ratio but then rounded 2.7 to 3 to give an incorrect empirical formula of  $\text{CH}_3$  instead of  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ .
- b. Many did manage to calculate a correct molecular formula even though their empirical formula was incorrect.
- c. Free radical substitution was well known, however, there was some confusion about whether the reagent was supposed to be  $\text{Br}_2(\text{g})$ ,  $\text{Br}_2(\text{aq})$  or  $\text{Br}_2$  in  $\text{CCl}_4$ . Most stated that UV was required.
- d. In 5(d) most candidates scored at least 3 marks out of 4. A few used  $\text{Cl}_2$  instead of  $\text{Br}_2$ .
- e. Most knew the meaning of the symbols  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$ , however, a few did not correctly state the meaning of the 2. The mechanism caused some problems and some of the common errors here were drawing the curly arrow from the H; forgetting to include any curly arrow to show Br leaving; writing the partial bond from the nucleophile as  $\text{OH}--\text{C}$ ; or missing the negative charge from the transition state. Unfortunately, most candidates had a combination of these errors. Also, in most cases the partial bonds were drawn at angles less than 180 degrees which, although not penalised, is totally incorrect as attack by the nucleophile must be on the opposite side to the halogen leaving.
- f. Part (f) proved to be very confusing for many candidates. The structural isomers of propan-1-ol were commonly drawn as propan-1-ol and propan-2-ol, which then caused enormous difficulties in 5(f)(ii) when they had to identify the isomer with the higher boiling point.  
Those who were relying on ECF marks here often predicted the wrong isomer or found it very difficult to explain their prediction. The few candidates who drew the isomers correctly as an ether and an alcohol were generally able to score full marks by predicting and explaining the different boiling points.

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Consider the following reactions.



An important environmental consideration is the appropriate disposal of cleaning solvents. An environmental waste treatment company analysed a cleaning solvent, **J**, and found it to contain the elements carbon, hydrogen and chlorine only. The chemical composition of **J** was determined using different analytical chemistry techniques.

*Combustion Reaction:*

Combustion of 1.30 g of **J** gave 0.872 g CO<sub>2</sub> and 0.089 g H<sub>2</sub>O.

*Precipitation Reaction with AgNO<sub>3</sub>(aq):*

0.535 g of **J** gave 1.75 g AgCl precipitate.

a. One example of a homologous series is the alcohols. Describe **two** features of a homologous series. [2]

b.i.The IUPAC name of **X** is 4-methylpentan-1-ol. State the IUPAC names of **Y** and **Z**. [2]

**Y:**

**Z:**

b.ii.State the reagents and reaction conditions used to convert **X** to **Y** and **X** to **Z**. [2]

**X** to **Y**:

**X** to **Z**:

b.iii**Z** is an example of a weak acid. State what is meant by the term *weak acid*. [1]

b.ivDiscuss the volatility of **Y** compared to **Z**. [2]

d.i.Determine the percentage by mass of carbon and hydrogen in **J**, using the combustion data. [3]

d.ii.Determine the percentage by mass of chlorine in **J**, using the precipitation data. [1]

d.iiiThe molar mass was determined to be 131.38 g mol<sup>-1</sup>. Deduce the molecular formula of **J**. [3]

## Markscheme

a. same functional group;

successive/neighbouring members differ by CH<sub>2</sub>;

same general formula;

similar chemical properties;

gradation in physical properties;

b.i.**Y**: 4-methylpentanal;

**Z**: 4-methylpentanoic acid;

*Award [1] if student has correct endings for both molecules but has used incorrect stem.*

b.ii.*For both reactions reagents:*

named suitable acidified oxidizing agent;

*Suitable oxidizing agents are potassium dichromate(VI)/K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> / sodium dichromate(VI)/Na<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> / dichromate/Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub><sup>2-</sup> / potassium manganate(VII)/potassium permanganate/KMnO<sub>4</sub> / permanganate/manganate(VII)/MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>.*

*Accept H<sup>+</sup>/H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> instead of sulfuric acid and acidified.*

Allow potassium dichromate or sodium dichromate (i.e. without (VI)) or potassium manganate (i.e. without (VII)).

Conditions:

distillation for **X** to **Y** and reflux for **X** to **Z**;

Award [1] if correct reagents and conditions identified for one process only.

b.ii acid partially dissociates/ionizes;

b.iv **Y** more volatile than **Z**;

hydrogen bonding in carboxylic acid/**Z**;

Accept converse argument.

$$\text{d.i. } \left( \left( \frac{2 \times 1.01}{18.02} \right) (0.089) = \right) 1.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ g H and } \left( \left( \frac{12.01}{44.01} \right) (0.872) = \right) 2.38 \times 10^{-1} \text{ g C;}$$

$$\left( \left( \frac{0.238}{1.30} \right) (100) = \right) 18.3\% \text{ C;}$$

$$\left( \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-2}}{1.30} \right) (100) = 0.77\% \text{ H;}$$

Award [3] for correct final answer of 18.3% C and 0.77% H without working.

Allow whole numbers for molar masses.

$$\text{d.ii. } \left( 1.75 \right) \left( \frac{35.45}{143.32} \right) = 0.433 \text{ g (Cl) and } \left( \left( \frac{0.433}{0.535} \right) (100) = \right) 80.9\% \text{ (Cl);}$$

Allow whole numbers for molar masses.

$$\text{d.iii. } \left( \frac{18.3}{12.01} \right) = 1.52 \text{ mol C and } \left( \frac{0.77}{1.01} \right) = 0.76 \text{ mol H and } \left( \frac{80.9}{35.45} \right) = 2.28 \text{ mol Cl;}$$

Allow whole numbers for atomic masses.

Empirical formula =  $\text{C}_2\text{HCl}_3$ ;

Award [2] for correct empirical formula without working.

$M_r = (24.02 + 1.01 + 106.35) = 131.38$ , so molecular formula is  $\text{C}_2\text{HCl}_3$ ;

Award [3] for correct final answer without working.

Allow whole numbers for atomic masses.

## Examiners report

a. Part (a) which asked for a description of a homologous series was generally very well answered.

b.i. 1 out of 2 marks were commonly awarded, as students had the incorrect prefix or made errors such as 4-methylpentan-1-al instead of 4-methylpentanal.

b.ii. Most candidates knew the reagents for the conversions of the alcohol but only the best candidates also knew the conditions.

b.iii. Explanations of a weak acid were well done.

b.iv. Explanations of volatility were well done.

d.i. Part (d) was a moles calculation based on experimental data, and was done very well by some of those that attempted it. However many candidates could not get through it and some left it blank.

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Vanadium, another transition metal, has a number of different oxidation states.

a. Determine the oxidation state of vanadium in each of the following species.

[2]



b. Formulate an equation for the reaction between  $\text{VO}^{2+}$ (aq) and  $\text{V}^{2+}$ (aq) in acidic solution to form  $\text{V}^{3+}$ (aq).

[1]

## Markscheme

a.  $\text{V}_2\text{O}_5$ : +5

$\text{VO}^{2+}$ : +4

*Do not penalize incorrect notation twice.*

**[2 marks]**

b.  $\text{VO}^{2+}$ (aq) +  $\text{V}^{2+}$ (aq) +  $2\text{H}^+$ (aq)  $\rightarrow$   $2\text{V}^{3+}$ (aq) +  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (l)

*Accept equilibrium sign.*

**[1 mark]**

## Examiners report

- a. [N/A]
- b. [N/A]

An acidic sample of a waste solution containing  $\text{Sn}^{2+}$ (aq) reacted completely with  $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$  solution to form  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$ (aq).

a.i. State the oxidation half-equation.

[1]

a.ii. Deduce the overall redox equation for the reaction between acidic  $\text{Sn}^{2+}$ (aq) and  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ (aq), using section 24 of the data booklet.

[1]

b.i.Calculate the percentage uncertainty for the mass of  $K_2Cr_2O_7(s)$  from the given data.

[1]

Mass of weigh boat / g $\pm 0.001$ g	1.090
Mass of weigh boat + $K_2Cr_2O_7(s)$ / g $\pm 0.001$ g	14.329

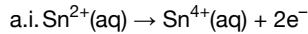
b.ii.The sample of  $K_2Cr_2O_7(s)$  in (i) was dissolved in distilled water to form  $0.100\text{ dm}^3$  solution. Calculate its molar concentration.

[1]

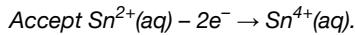
b.iii $10.0\text{ cm}^3$  of the waste sample required  $13.24\text{ cm}^3$  of the  $K_2Cr_2O_7$  solution. Calculate the molar concentration of  $Sn^{2+}(aq)$  in the waste sample.

[2]

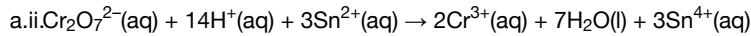
## Markscheme



Accept equilibrium sign.



**[1 mark]**



Accept equilibrium sign.

**[1 mark]**

b.i.« $13.239\text{ g} \pm 0.002\text{ g}$  so percentage uncertainty»  $0.02\text{ «%»}$

Accept answers given to greater precision, such as  $0.0151\%$ .

**[1 mark]**

b.ii.«  $[K_2Cr_2O_7] = \frac{13.239\text{ g}}{294.20\text{ g mol}^{-1} \times 0.100\text{ dm}^3} \Rightarrow 0.450\text{ «mol dm}^{-3}$  »

**[1 mark]**

b.iii $n(Sn^{2+}) = «0.450\text{ mol dm}^{-3} \times 0.01324\text{ dm}^3 \times \frac{3\text{ mol}}{1\text{ mol}} \Rightarrow 0.0179\text{ «mol»}$

« $[Sn^{2+}] = \frac{0.0179\text{ mol}}{0.0100\text{ mol}} \Rightarrow 1.79\text{ «mol dm}^{-3}$  »

Award [2] for correct final answer.

**[2 marks]**

## Examiners report

a.i. [N/A]

a.ii. [N/A]

b.i. [N/A]

b.ii. [N/A]

b.iii. [N/A]

An organic compound, **X**, with a molar mass of approximately  $88 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$  contains 54.5% carbon, 36.3% oxygen and 9.2% hydrogen by mass.

- a. (i) Distinguish between the terms *empirical formula* and *molecular formula*.

[9]

Empirical formula:

Molecular formula:

- (ii) Determine the empirical formula of **X**.  
(iii) Determine the molecular formula of **X**.  
(iv) **X** is a straight-chain carboxylic acid. Draw its structural formula.  
(v) Draw the structural formula of an isomer of **X** which is an ester.  
(vi) The carboxylic acid contains two different carbon-oxygen bonds. Identify which bond is stronger and which bond is longer.

Stronger bond:

Longer bond:

- b. (i) State and explain which of propan-1-ol,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ , and methoxyethane,  $\text{CH}_3\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3$ , is more volatile.

[5]

- (ii) Propan-1-ol,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ , and hexan-1-ol,  $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ , are both alcohols. State and explain which compound is more soluble in water.

- c. Graphite is used as a lubricant and is an electrical conductor. Diamond is hard and does not conduct electricity. Explain these statements in terms of the structure and bonding of these allotropes of carbon.

Graphite:

Diamond:

## Markscheme

- a. (i) *Empirical formula*:

simplest (whole number) ratio of atoms/moles of each element present in a compound/molecule;

*Molecular formula*:

actual numbers of atoms/moles of each element present in a compound/molecule / whole number multiple of empirical formula;

- (ii)  $n(\text{C}) = 4.54 \text{ (mol)}$ ,  $n(\text{H}) = 9.11 \text{ (mol)}$  and  $n(\text{O}) = 2.27 \text{ (mol)}$ ;



*Accept other valid method for calculation.*

- (iii)  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{O}_2$ ;

- (iv)  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$ ;

*Accept full or condensed structural formulas.*

- (v)  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{COOCH}_3/\text{CH}_3\text{COOCH}_2\text{CH}_3/\text{HCOOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3/\text{HCOOCH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$ ;

*Accept full or condensed structural formulas.*

- (vi) *Stronger bond*:

$\text{C=O}/\text{double bond}$ ;

*Longer bond*:

$\text{C-O}/\text{single bond}$ ;

- b. (i) methoxyethane/  $\text{CH}_3\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3$  as there are only dipole-dipole forces (and van der Waals' forces) between molecules;

propan-1-ol has hydrogen bonding between molecules;

hydrogen bonding is stronger than dipole-dipole forces;

(ii) propan-1-ol/  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$  as it has a smaller hydrocarbon chain;

the longer (non-polar) carbon chain in hexan-1-ol decreases the attraction between the alcohol and the (polar) water molecules / OWTTE;

c. graphite:

forms flat hexagonal rings / layers of carbon atoms each (covalently) bonded to 3 other carbon atoms / trigonal planar around C / C has  $\text{sp}^2$  hybridization;

layers are held together by weak intermolecular/van der Waals' forces;

layers can slide over each other;

delocalization of electrons / free moving electrons;

diamond:

all carbon atoms are (covalently) bonded to 4 other carbon atoms / tetrahedral around C / C has  $\text{sp}^3$  hybridization;

strong covalent bonds;

no delocalized electrons / OWTTE;

## Examiners report

a. There were some vague and convoluted definitions in (a)(i) but thereafter the calculations were well done. Where difficulty was found, was in the formula of an ester in (v), (AS 10.1.11).

b. The answers to (b)(i) were reasonable, although it was common to state that the intermolecular bonding in methoxyethane is van der Waals'. Some G2s took issue with the examination of ethers in organic chemistry; it was, in fact, examined under AS 4.3.2. In (ii), some mentioned a "larger molecule" rather than a "longer chain" and few were able to explain the attraction (or lack thereof) between the organic molecule and water.

c. Part (c) suggested that there is work to be done on understanding the structures of graphite and diamond. One particular mark lost was not to state that the reason diamond is hard is because the covalent bonds are *strong*.

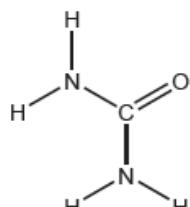
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Urea,  $(\text{H}_2\text{N})_2\text{CO}$ , is excreted by mammals and can be used as a fertilizer.

a.i. Calculate the percentage by mass of nitrogen in urea to two decimal places using section 6 of the data booklet. [2]

a.ii. Suggest how the percentage of nitrogen affects the cost of transport of fertilizers giving a reason. [1]

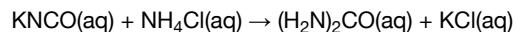
b. The structural formula of urea is shown. [3]



Predict the electron domain and molecular geometries at the nitrogen and carbon atoms, applying the VSEPR theory.

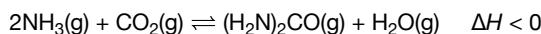
	<b>Electron domain geometry</b>	<b>Molecular geometry</b>
<b>Nitrogen</b>	.....	.....
<b>Carbon</b>	.....	trigonal planar

- c. Urea can be made by reacting potassium cyanate, KNCO, with ammonium chloride, NH<sub>4</sub>Cl. [2]



Determine the maximum mass of urea that could be formed from 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> potassium cyanate solution.

- d. Urea can also be made by the direct combination of ammonia and carbon dioxide gases. [1]



Predict, with a reason, the effect on the equilibrium constant,  $K_c$ , when the temperature is increased.

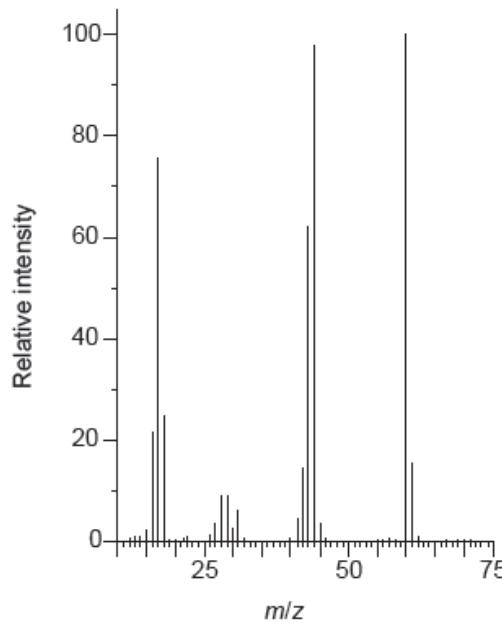
- e.i. Suggest one reason why urea is a solid and ammonia a gas at room temperature. [1]

- e.ii. Sketch **two** different hydrogen bonding interactions between ammonia and water. [2]

- f. The combustion of urea produces water, carbon dioxide and nitrogen. [2]

Formulate a balanced equation for the reaction.

- g. The mass spectrum of urea is shown below. [2]



[Source: NIST Mass Spec Data Center, S.E. Stein, director, "Mass Spectra" in *NIST Chemistry WebBook*, NIST Standard Reference Database Number 69, Eds. P.J. Linstrom and W.G. Mallard, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg MD, 20899, doi:10.18434/T4D303, (retrieved May 31, 2018).]

Identify the species responsible for the peaks at  $m/z = 60$  and  $44$ .

60:

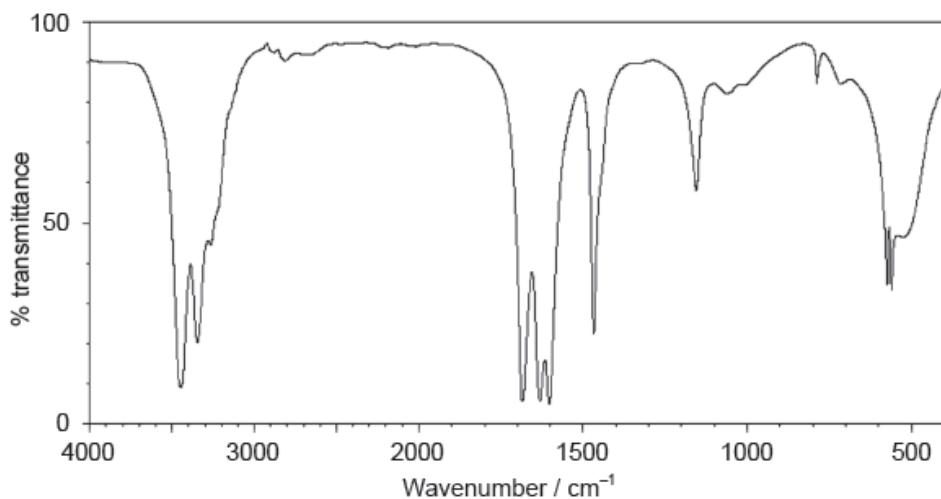
.....

44:

.....

h. The IR spectrum of urea is shown below.

[2]



[Source: SDBS, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology]

Identify the bonds causing the absorptions at  $3450\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $1700\text{ cm}^{-1}$  using section 26 of the data booklet.

$3450\text{ cm}^{-1}$ :

.....

$1700\text{ cm}^{-1}$ :

.....

i. Predict the number of signals in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of urea.

[1]

## Markscheme

a.i. molar mass of urea  $\ll= 4 \times 1.01 + 2 \times 14.01 + 12.01 + 16.00 \gg = 60.07\text{ g mol}^{-1}$

$$\ll \% \text{ nitrogen} = \frac{2 \times 14.01}{60.07} \times 100 \gg = 46.65\text{ \%}$$

Award [2] for correct final answer.

Award [1 max] for final answer not to two decimal places.

**[2 marks]**

a.ii. «cost» increases **AND** lower N% «means higher cost of transportation per unit of nitrogen»

**OR**

«cost» increases **AND** inefficient/too much/about half mass not nitrogen

Accept other reasonable explanations.

Do **not** accept answers referring to safety/explosions.

[1 mark]

	Electron geometry	Molecular geometry
Nitrogen	tetrahedral ✓	trigonal pyramidal ✓
Carbon	trigonal planar ✓	trigonal planar

Note: Urea's structure is more complex than that predicted from VSEPR theory.

[3 marks]

c.  $n(\text{KNCO}) \ll 0.0500 \text{ dm}^3 \times 0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} = 5.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$

$\ll \text{mass of urea} = 5.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol} \times 60.07 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = 0.300 \text{ g}$

Award [2] for correct final answer.

[2 marks]

d. « $K_c$ » decreases **AND** reaction is exothermic

**OR**

« $K_c$ » decreases **AND**  $\Delta H$  is negative

**OR**

« $K_c$ » decreases **AND** reverse/endothermic reaction is favoured

[1 mark]

e.i. Any one of:

urea has greater molar mass

urea has greater electron density/greater London/dispersion

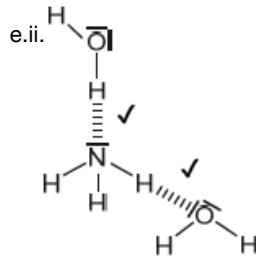
urea has more hydrogen bonding

urea is more polar/has greater dipole moment

Accept "urea has larger size/greater van der Waals forces".

Do **not** accept "urea has greater intermolecular forces/IMF".

[1 mark]

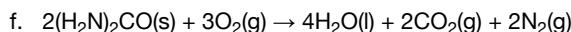


Award [1] for each correct interaction.

If lone pairs are shown on N or O, then the lone pair on N or one of the lone pairs on O **MUST** be involved in the H-bond.

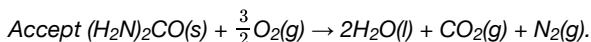
Penalize solid line to represent H-bonding only once.

[2 marks]



correct coefficients on LHS

correct coefficients on RHS



Accept any correct ratio.

**[2 marks]**

g. 60:  $CON_2H_4^+$

44:  $CONH_2^+$

Accept "molecular ion".

**[2 marks]**

h.  $3450\text{ cm}^{-1}$ : N-H

$1700\text{ cm}^{-1}$ : C=O

Do **not** accept "O-H" for  $3450\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

**[2 marks]**

i. 1

**[1 mark]**

## Examiners report

a.i. [N/A]

a.ii. [N/A]

b. [N/A]

c. [N/A]

d. [N/A]

e.i. [N/A]

e.ii. [N/A]

f. [N/A]

g. [N/A]

h. [N/A]

i. [N/A]

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There are many oxides of silver with the formula  $Ag_xO_y$ . All of them decompose into their elements when heated strongly.

a.i. After heating 3.760 g of a silver oxide 3.275 g of silver remained. Determine the empirical formula of  $Ag_xO_y$ . [2]

a.ii. Suggest why the final mass of solid obtained by heating 3.760 g of  $Ag_xO_y$  may be greater than 3.275 g giving one design improvement for your proposed suggestion. Ignore any possible errors in the weighing procedure. [2]

b. Naturally occurring silver is composed of two stable isotopes,  $^{107}Ag$  and  $^{109}Ag$ . [1]

The relative atomic mass of silver is 107.87. Show that isotope  $^{107}Ag$  is more abundant.

c.i. Some oxides of period 3, such as  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$ , react with water. A spatula measure of each oxide was added to a separate  $100 \text{ cm}^3$  flask [3]

containing distilled water and a few drops of bromothymol blue indicator.

The indicator is listed in section 22 of the data booklet.

Deduce the colour of the resulting solution and the chemical formula of the product formed after reaction with water for each oxide.

Flask containing	Colour of solution	Product formula
$\text{Na}_2\text{O}$	.....	.....
$\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$	.....	.....

c.ii.Explain the electrical conductivity of molten  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$ . [2]

d. Outline the model of electron configuration deduced from the hydrogen line emission spectrum (Bohr's model). [2]

## Markscheme

a.i.  $n(\text{Ag}) = \frac{3.275 \text{ g}}{107.87 \text{ g mol}} \Rightarrow 0.03036 \text{ mol}$

**AND**

$$n(\text{O}) = \frac{3.760 \text{ g} - 3.275 \text{ g}}{16.00 \text{ g mol}^{-1}} = \frac{0.485}{16.00} \Rightarrow 0.03031 \text{ mol}$$

$\frac{0.03036}{0.03031} \approx 1 / \text{ratio of Ag to O approximately } 1 : 1, \text{ so}$

$\text{AgO}$

Accept other valid methods for M1.

Award [1 max] for correct empirical formula if method not shown.

**[2 marks]**

a.ii.temperature too low

**OR**

heating time too short

**OR**

oxide not decomposed completely

heat sample to constant mass «for three or more trials»

Accept "not heated strongly enough".

If M1 as per markscheme, M2 can only be awarded for constant mass technique.

Accept "soot deposition" (M1) and any suitable way to reduce it (for M2).

Accept "absorbs moisture from atmosphere" (M1) and "cool in dessicator" (M2).

Award [1 max] for reference to impurity **AND** design improvement.

**[2 marks]**

b. Ar closer to 107/less than 108 «so more  $^{107}\text{Ag}$ »

**OR**

Ar less than the average of (107 + 109) «so more  $^{107}\text{Ag}$ »

Accept calculations that gives greater than 50%  $^{107}\text{Ag}$ .

**[1 mark]**

c.i.	Flask containing	Colour of solution	Product formula
	$\text{Na}_2\text{O}$	blue <b>AND</b> yellow ✓	$\text{NaOH}$ ✓
	$\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$		$\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$ ✓

Do not accept name for the products.

Accept “ $\text{Na}^+ + \text{OH}^-$ ” for  $\text{NaOH}$ .

Ignore coefficients in front of formula.

**[3 marks]**

c.ii.«molten»  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  has mobile ions/charged particles **AND** conducts electricity

«molten»  $\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$  does not have mobile ions/charged particles **AND** does not conduct electricity/is poor conductor of electricity

Do **not** award marks without concept of mobile charges being present.

Award **[1 max]** if type of bonding or electrical conductivity correctly identified in each compound.

Do **not** accept answers based on electrons.

Award **[1 max]** if reference made to solution.

**[2 marks]**

d. electrons in discrete/specific/certain/different shells/energy levels

energy levels converge/get closer together at higher energies

**OR**

energy levels converge with distance from the nucleus

Accept appropriate diagram for M1, M2 or both.

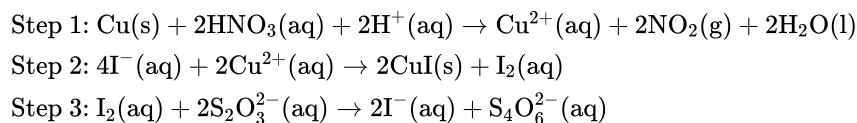
Do not give marks for answers that refer to the lines in the spectrum.

**[2 marks]**

## Examiners report

- a.i. [N/A]
- a.ii. [N/A]
- b. [N/A]
- c.i. [N/A]
- c.ii. [N/A]
- d. [N/A]

Brass is a copper containing alloy with many uses. An analysis is carried out to determine the percentage of copper present in three identical samples of brass. The reactions involved in this analysis are shown below.



- (a) (i) Deduce the change in the oxidation numbers of copper and nitrogen in step 1.

Copper:

Nitrogen:

- (ii) Identify the oxidizing agent in step 1.  
 (b) A student carried out this experiment three times, with three identical small brass nails, and obtained the following results.

$$\text{Mass of brass} = 0.456 \text{ g} \pm 0.001 \text{ g}$$

Titre	1	2	3
Initial volume of 0.100 mol dm <sup>-3</sup> S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup> ( $\pm 0.05 \text{ cm}^3$ )	0.00	0.00	0.00
Final volume of 0.100 mol dm <sup>-3</sup> S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup> ( $\pm 0.05 \text{ cm}^3$ )	28.50	28.60	28.40
Volume added of 0.100 mol dm <sup>-3</sup> S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup> ( $\pm 0.10 \text{ cm}^3$ )	28.50	28.60	28.40
Average volume added of 0.100 mol dm <sup>-3</sup> S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup> ( $\pm 0.10 \text{ cm}^3$ )	28.50		

- (i) Calculate the average amount, in mol, of S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup> added in step 3.  
 (ii) Calculate the amount, in mol, of copper present in the brass.  
 (iii) Calculate the mass of copper in the brass.  
 (iv) Calculate the percentage by mass of copper in the brass.  
 (v) The manufacturers claim that the sample of brass contains 44.2% copper by mass. Determine the percentage error in the result.  
 (c) With reference to its metallic structure, describe how brass conducts electricity.

## Markscheme

- (a) (i) Copper:

0 to +2 / increases by 2 / +2 / 2+;

Allow zero/nought for 0.

Nitrogen:

+5 to +4 / decreases by 1 / -1 / 1-;

Penalize missing + sign or incorrect notation such as 2+, 2<sup>+</sup> or II, once only.

- (ii) nitric acid/HNO<sub>3</sub> / NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>/nitrate;

Allow nitrogen from nitric acid/nitrate but not just nitrogen.

- (b) (i) 0.100 × 0.0285;

2.85 × 10<sup>-3</sup> (mol);

Award [2] for correct final answer.

- (ii) 2.85 × 10<sup>-3</sup> (mol);

(iii)  $63.55 \times 2.85 \times 10^{-3} = 0.181$  g;

Allow 63.5.

(iv)  $\left( \frac{0.181}{0.456} \times 100 \right) = 39.7\%$ ;

(v)  $\left( \frac{44.2 - 39.7}{44.2} \times 100 \right) = 10.2\%$ ;

Allow 11.3% i.e. percentage obtained in (iv) is used to divide instead of 44.2%.

(c) Brass has:

delocalized electrons / sea of mobile electrons / sea of electrons free to move;

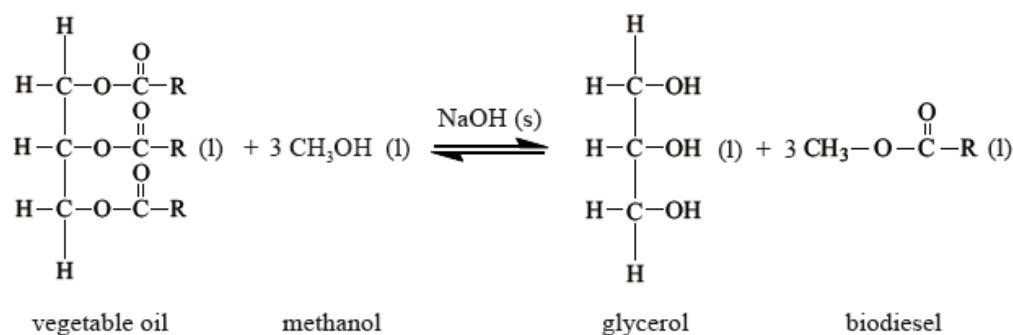
No mark for just "mobile electrons".

## Examiners report

There were several G2 comments on this question, all of which claimed that the question was difficult for SL candidates especially as a three-step reaction process was involved. Certainly some of the weaker candidates struggled with this question, but with the application of ECF marks, most candidates should have been able to score the majority of marks in the question. What was more worrying was the large number of candidates who scored zero or close to zero marks on Q.1, which meant they had little idea of a titration from their exposure to laboratory work in the programme as a whole.

In (a) (i), most candidates showed a reasonable understanding of oxidation numbers, but relatively few scored full marks as they did not read the question which asked explicitly for the change in oxidation numbers. A number also incorrectly wrote 5+ going to 4+ instead of +5 going to +4 i.e. they mixed up charges with oxidation numbers. In the oxidizing agent question in part (ii), the most common mistake was candidates writing nitrogen, instead of the nitric acid, which is the agent involved. In (b), candidates typically either did very well or scored almost no marks at all. In (i), a number of candidates did not convert to  $\text{dm}^3$  and some did not use the average volume in their calculations, again failing to read the question carefully. (c) however was well answered, though some candidates made reference to the ions as charge carriers rather than giving a description of delocalized electrons. Other candidates stated just mobile electrons instead of stating sea of mobile electrons which was required for the mark.

Biodiesel makes use of plants' ability to fix atmospheric carbon by photosynthesis. Many companies and individuals are now using biodiesel as a fuel in order to reduce their carbon footprint. Biodiesel can be synthesized from vegetable oil according to the following reaction.



The reversible arrows in the equation indicate that the production of biodiesel is an equilibrium process.

a. Identify the organic functional group present in both vegetable oil and biodiesel. [1]

b. For part of her extended essay investigation into the efficiency of the process, a student reacted a pure sample of a vegetable oil (where

$\text{R} = \text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{33}$ ) with methanol. The raw data recorded for the reaction is below.

[3]

Mass of oil	= 1013.0 g
Mass of methanol	= 200.0 g
Mass of sodium hydroxide	= 3.5 g
Mass of biodiesel produced	= 811.0 g

The relative molecular mass of the oil used by the student is 885.6. Calculate the amount (in moles) of the oil and the methanol used, and hence the amount (in moles) of excess methanol.

- c.i. State what is meant by the term *dynamic equilibrium*. [1]
- c.ii. Using the abbreviations [vegetable oil], [methanol], [glycerol] and [biodiesel] deduce the equilibrium constant expression ( $K_c$ ) for this reaction. [1]
- c.iii Suggest a reason why excess methanol is used in this process. [1]
- c.iv State and explain the effect that the addition of the sodium hydroxide catalyst will have on the position of equilibrium. [2]
- d. The reactants had to be stirred vigorously because they formed two distinct layers in the reaction vessel. Explain why they form two distinct layers and why stirring increases the rate of reaction. [2]
- e. Calculate the percentage yield of biodiesel obtained in this process. [2]

## Markscheme

a. ester;

b. amount of oil =  $\frac{1013.0}{885.6} = 1.144 \text{ mol}$ ;

amount of methanol =  $\frac{200.0}{32.05} = 6.240 \text{ mol}$ ;

since three mol of methanol react with one mol of vegetable oil the amount of excess methanol =  $6.204 - (3 \times 1.144) = 2.808 \text{ mol}$ ;

c.i. rate of the forward reaction is equal to the rate of the reverse reaction / forward and reverse reactions occur **and** the concentrations of the reactants and products do not change / OWTTE;

c.ii.  $K_c = \frac{[\text{glycerol}] \times [\text{biodiesel}]^3}{[\text{vegetable oil}] \times [\text{methanol}]^3}$ ;

c.iii to move the position of equilibrium to the right/product side / increase the yield of biodiesel;

c.iv no effect (on position of equilibrium);

increases the rate of the forward and the reverse reactions equally (so equilibrium reached quicker) / it lowers  $E_a$  for both the forward and reverse reactions by the same amount / OWTTE;

No ECF for explanation.

d. vegetable oil is mainly non-polar **and** methanol is polar / OWTTE;

stirring brings them into more contact with each other / increase the frequency of collisions / OWTTE;

*Do not allow simply mixing.*

e. (relative molecular mass of biodiesel,  $C_{19}H_{36}O_2 = 296.55$ )

maximum yield of biodiesel =  $3.432 \text{ mol}/1018 \text{ g}$ ;

percentage yield  $\frac{811.0}{1018} \times 100 = 79.67\%$ ;

*Allow 80% for percentage yield.*

# Examiners report

- a. Part (a) was reasonably well answered with most candidates opting for an ester. Ketone (frequently spelt keytone) and carbonyl were the most common incorrect responses.
- b. In Part (b) most candidates scored 1 or 2 marks, showing that they knew the correct method but the third mark proved to be more difficult to obtain, usually because the factor of 3 was omitted.
- c.i. In general, equilibrium (Part (c)) seems to be quite well understood. The most common error in (i) was to describe the reaction as constant rather than having opposing reactions with equal rates.
- c.ii. The expression in (ii) was an easy mark for the better candidates. The weaker ones often missed one or both of the powers of three and a small number had + signs in both the numerator and denominator.
- c.iii. In (iii) the most common incorrect answer was 'to use up all the vegetable oil'.
- c.iv. In (iv) most candidates were aware that a catalyst has no effect on the equilibrium constant but failed to gain the second mark for saying that the catalyst affected both reactions equally, either by increasing the rates equally or lowering the activation energy by the same amount.
- d. Very few candidates scored both marks for Part (d) of the question. The better candidates realised that there was a difference in polarity, though not always identifying which reactant was polar and which was non-polar. The most common answers either simply stated that the two were immiscible or that they had different densities. For the second mark an increase in collisions was often mentioned but not always an increase in the frequency of collisions.
- e. Candidates found Part (e) to be very difficult. This was not helped by the small amount of space available to them on the paper. Many answers expressed the data in terms which would have calculated  $(100 - \%)$  as though they had been drilled to calculate % impurities.

A student decided to determine the molecular mass of a solid monoprotic acid, HA, by titrating a solution of a known mass of the acid.

The following recordings were made.

Mass of bottle / g $\pm 0.001$ g	1.737
Mass of bottle + acid HA / g $\pm 0.001$ g	2.412

- a. Calculate the mass of the acid and determine its absolute and percentage uncertainty. [2]
- b. This known mass of acid, HA, was then dissolved in distilled water to form a  $100.0 \text{ cm}^3$  solution in a volumetric flask. A  $25.0 \text{ cm}^3$  sample of this solution reacted with  $12.1 \text{ cm}^3$  of a  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  NaOH solution. Calculate the molar mass of the acid. [3]
- c. The percentage composition of HA is 70.56% carbon, 23.50% oxygen and 5.94% hydrogen. Determine its empirical formula. [2]
- d. A solution of HA is a weak acid. Distinguish between a *weak acid* and a *strong acid*. [1]
- e. Describe an experiment, other than measuring the pH, to distinguish HA from a strong acid of the same concentration and describe what would be observed. [2]

# Markscheme

- a.  $0.675 \text{ (g)} \pm 0.002 \text{ (g)}$ ;

*Percentage uncertainty: 0.3%;*

*Accept answers correct to one, two or three significant figures for percentage uncertainty.*

- b. In  $25.0 \text{ cm}^3$ :  $n_{\text{HA}} = 1.21 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (mol)}$ ;

In  $100 \text{ cm}^3$ :  $n_{\text{HA}} = 4.84 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (mol)}$ ;

$$M \left( = \frac{0.675}{4.84 \times 10^{-3}} \right) = 139 \text{ (g mol}^{-1}\text{)};$$

*Award [3] for correct final answer.*

*Accept suitable alternative methods.*

- c.  $n_{\text{C}} : \left( \frac{70.56}{12.01} = \right) 5.88$  and  $n_{\text{O}} : \left( \frac{23.50}{16} = \right) 1.47$  and  $n_{\text{H}} : \left( \frac{5.94}{1.01} = \right) 5.88$



*Award [2] for correct final answer.*

*Accept answers using integer values of molar mass.*

- d. weak acids partially dissociated/ionized and strong acids completely dissociated/ionized (in solution/water) / OWTTE;

- e. strong acids have greater electrical conductivity / weak acids have lower electrical conductivity;

**OR**

adding a reactive metal / carbonate / hydrogen carbonate;

*Accept correct example.*

stronger effervescence with strong acids / weaker with weak acids / OWTTE;

**OR**

adding a strong base;

*Accept correct example.*

strong acid would increase more in temperature / weak acids increase less in temperature;

## Examiners report

- a. Many students lost easy marks as they forgot to propagate uncertainties.
- b. Many candidates struggled with the concept of mole and the dilution factor added to the difficulty.
- c. Most students determined the empirical formula correctly.
- d. Weak and strong acids were generally correctly defined, though sometimes they were defined in terms of pH.
- e. The conductivity test appeared frequently and was well described. Many candidates used a strong based, but then went on to describe a titration method.

- a. Explain why the relative atomic mass of argon is greater than the relative atomic mass of potassium, even though the atomic number of potassium is greater than the atomic number of argon. [1]
- b. Deduce the numbers of protons and electrons in the  $\text{K}^+$  ion. [1]

## Markscheme

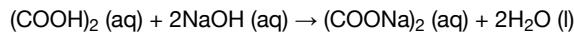
- a. argon has a greater proportion of heavier isotopes / OWTTE / argon has a greater number of neutrons;
- b. 19 protons **and** 18 electrons;

## Examiners report

- a. This question was the best answered on the paper and generally well answered question. In part (a) candidates sometimes incorrectly used the term relative atomic mass instead of relative isotopic mass when referring to the mass of an isotope.
- b. Most candidates correctly deduced the number of protons and electrons in the  $\text{K}^+$  ion, however some candidates did not read the question carefully and deduced the number of subatomic particles in the K atom.
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The concentration of a solution of a weak acid, such as ethanedioic acid, can be determined by titration with a standard solution of sodium hydroxide,  $\text{NaOH}$  (aq).

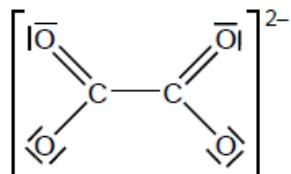
- a. Distinguish between a weak acid and a strong acid. [1]
- Weak acid:
- Strong acid:
- b. Suggest why it is more convenient to express acidity using the pH scale instead of using the concentration of hydrogen ions. [1]
- c. 5.00 g of an impure sample of hydrated ethanedioic acid,  $(\text{COOH})_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , was dissolved in water to make  $1.00 \text{ dm}^3$  of solution.  $25.0 \text{ cm}^3$  samples of this solution were titrated against a  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  solution of sodium hydroxide using a suitable indicator. [5]



The mean value of the titre was  $14.0 \text{ cm}^3$ .

- (i) Calculate the amount, in mol, of  $\text{NaOH}$  in  $14.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  solution.
- (ii) Calculate the amount, in mol, of ethanedioic acid in each  $25.0 \text{ cm}^3$  sample.
- (iii) Determine the percentage purity of the hydrated ethanedioic acid sample.

- d. The Lewis (electron dot) structure of the ethanedioate ion is shown below. [2]



Outline why all the C–O bond lengths in the ethanedioate ion are the same length and suggest a value for them. Use section 10 of the data booklet.

# Markscheme

a. *Weak acid*: partially dissociated/ionized «in solution/water»

**AND**

*Strong acid*: «assumed to be almost» completely/100% dissociated/ionized «in solution/water»

*Accept answers relating to pH, conductivity, reactivity if solutions of equal concentrations stated.*

b. «log scale» reduces a wide range of numbers to a small range

**OR**

simple/easy to use

**OR**

converts exponential expressions into linear scale/simple numbers

*Do not accept “easy for calculations”*

c. i

$$\text{«n(NaOH)} = \left( \frac{14.0}{1000} \right) \text{ dm}^{-3} \times 0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \Rightarrow 1.40 \times 10^{-3} \text{ «mol»}$$

ii

$$\text{«} \frac{1}{2} \times 1.40 \times 10^{-3} = 7.00 \times 10^{-4} \text{ «mol»}$$

iii

**ALTERNATIVE 1:**

«mass of pure hydrated ethanedioic acid in each titration =  $7.00 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol} \times 126.08 \text{ g mol}^{-1} \Rightarrow 0.0883 / 8.83 \times 10^{-2} \text{ «g»}$

mass of sample in each titration = « $\frac{25}{1000} \times 5.00 \text{ g} \Rightarrow 0.125 \text{ «g»}$

$$\text{«% purity} = \frac{0.0883 \text{ g}}{0.125 \text{ g}} \times 100 \Rightarrow 70.6 \text{ «%»}$$

**ALTERNATIVE 2:**

«mol of pure hydrated ethanedioic acid in 1 dm<sup>3</sup> solution =  $7.00 \times 10^{-4} \times \frac{1000}{25} \Rightarrow 2.80 \times 10^{-2} \text{ «mol»}$

«mass of pure hydrated ethanedioic acid in sample =  $2.80 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol} \times 126.08 \text{ g mol}^{-1} \Rightarrow 3.53 \text{ «g»}$

$$\text{«% purity} = \frac{3.53 \text{ g}}{5.00 \text{ g}} \times 100 \Rightarrow 70.6 \text{ «%»}$$

**ALTERNATIVE 3:**

mol of hydrated ethanedioic acid (assuming sample to be pure) =  $\frac{5.00 \text{ g}}{126.08 \text{ g mol}^{-1}} = 0.03966 \text{ «mol»}$

actual amount of hydrated ethanedioic acid = « $7.00 \times 10^{-4} \times \frac{1000}{25} \Rightarrow 2.80 \times 10^{-2} \text{ «mol»}$

$$\text{«% purity} = \frac{2.80 \times 10^{-2}}{0.03966} \times 100 \Rightarrow 70.6 \text{ «%»}$$

*Award suitable part marks for alternative methods.*

*Award [3] for correct final answer.*

*Award [2 max] for 50.4 % if anhydrous ethanedioic acid assumed.*

d. electrons delocalized «across the O–C–O system»

**OR**

resonance occurs

Accept delocalized  $\pi$ -bond(s).

122 «pm» < C–O < 143 «pm»

Accept any answer in the range 123 «pm» to 142 «pm». Accept “bond intermediate between single and double bond” or “bond order 1.5”.

## Examiners report

- a. [N/A]
- b. [N/A]
- c. [N/A]
- d. [N/A]

Iron tablets are often prescribed to patients. The iron in the tablets is commonly present as iron(II) sulfate,  $\text{FeSO}_4$ .

Two students carried out an experiment to determine the percentage by mass of iron in a brand of tablets marketed in Cyprus.

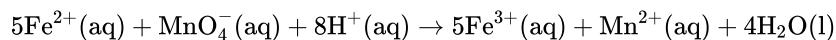
### Experimental Procedure:

- The students took five iron tablets and found that the **total mass** was 1.65 g.
- The five tablets were ground and dissolved in 100 cm<sup>3</sup> dilute sulfuric acid,  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ (aq). The solution and washings were transferred to a 250 cm<sup>3</sup> volumetric flask and made up to the mark with deionized (distilled) water.
- 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of this  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ (aq) solution was transferred using a pipette into a conical flask. Some dilute sulfuric acid was added.
- A titration was then carried out using a  $5.00 \times 10^{-3}$  mol dm<sup>-3</sup> standard solution of potassium permanganate,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ (aq). The end-point of the titration was indicated by a slight pink colour.

The following results were recorded.

	Rough titre	First accurate titre	Second accurate titre
<b>Initial burette reading / cm<sup>3</sup> <math>\pm</math> 0.05</b>	1.05	1.20	0.00
<b>Final burette reading / cm<sup>3</sup> <math>\pm</math> 0.05</b>	20.05	18.00	16.80

This experiment involves the following redox reaction.



- a. When the  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ (aq) solution was made up in the 250 cm<sup>3</sup> volumetric flask, deionized (distilled) water was added until the bottom of its meniscus corresponded to the graduation mark on the flask. It was noticed that one of the two students measured the volume of the solution from the top of the meniscus instead of from the bottom. State the name of this type of error. [1]
- b. State what is meant by the term *precision*. [1]
- c. When the students recorded the burette readings, following the titration with  $\text{KMnO}_4$ (aq), the top of the meniscus was used and not the bottom. Suggest why the students read the top of the meniscus and not the bottom. [1]
- d.i. Define the term *reduction* in terms of electrons. [1]
- d.ii. Deduce the oxidation number of manganese in the  $\text{MnO}_4^-$ (aq) ion. [1]

- e.i. Determine the amount, in mol, of  $\text{MnO}_4^-$  (aq), used in each accurate titre. [2]
- e.ii. Calculate the amount, in mol, of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  (aq) ions in  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  of the solution. [1]
- e.iii. Determine the total mass of iron, in g, in the  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  solution. [1]
- e.iv. Determine the percentage by mass of iron in the tablets. [1]
- f.i. One titration was abandoned because a brown precipitate, manganese(IV) oxide, formed. State the chemical formula of this compound. [1]

## Markscheme

a. systematic (error);

*Do not accept parallax.*

b. closeness of agreement of a set of measurements to each other / OWTTE;

*Allow reproducibility/consistency of measurement / measurements with small random errors/total amount of random errors/standard deviation / a more precise value contains more significant figures / OWTTE.*

c. potassium permanganate has a very dark/deep (purple) colour so cannot read bottom of meniscus / OWTTE;

d.i. gain (of electrons);

d.ii. VII / +7;

*Do not accept 7 or 7+.*

e.i. volume =  $16.80 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)} / 18.00 - 1.20 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)}$ ;

$$\text{amount } \left( = \frac{16.80 \times 5.00 \times 10^{-3}}{1000} \right) = 8.40 \times 10^{-5} \text{ (mol)};$$

*Award [2] for correct final answer.*

e.ii.  $(8.40 \times 10^{-5} \times 5 \times 10) = 4.20 \times 10^{-3}$  (mol per  $250 \text{ cm}^3$ );

e.iii.  $(55.85 \times 4.20 \times 10^{-3}) = 0.235 \text{ (g)}$ ;

*Do not penalize if 56 g mol<sup>-1</sup> is used for atomic mass of iron.*

e.iv.  $\left( \frac{0.235 \times 100}{1.65} \right) = 14.2\%$ ;

*No ECF if answer > 100 %.*

f.i.  $\text{MnO}_2$ ;

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c. Very few candidates related reading the top of the meniscus in the burette in part (c) to the colour of the  $\text{KMnO}_4$  solution. While it is acknowledged that few candidates would have performed this experiment themselves, it is reasonable that candidates should know the colour of  $\text{KMnO}_4$ .

d.i. Part d) (i) was answered very well with nearly all candidates correctly defining reduction.

d.ii. In d) (ii) many candidates correctly deduced the oxidation number of Mn in  $\text{MnO}_4^-$ . Several lost marks, however, for not using acceptable notation. 7 by itself is not correct.

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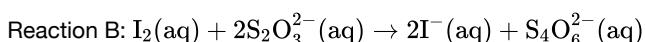
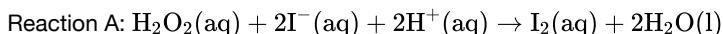
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Reaction kinetics can be investigated using the iodine clock reaction. The equations for two reactions that occur are given below.



Reaction B is much faster than reaction A, so the iodine,  $\text{I}_2$ , formed in reaction A immediately reacts with thiosulfate ions,  $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$ , in reaction B, before it can react with starch to form the familiar blue-black, starch-iodine complex.

In one experiment the reaction mixture contained:

$5.0 \pm 0.1 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $2.00 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  hydrogen peroxide ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ )

$5.0 \pm 0.1 \text{ cm}^3$  of 1% aqueous starch

$20.0 \pm 0.1 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $1.00 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  sulfuric acid ( $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ )

$20.0 \pm 0.1 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.0100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  sodium thiosulfate ( $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ )

$50.0 \pm 0.1 \text{ cm}^3$  of water with  $0.0200 \pm 0.0001 \text{ g}$  of potassium iodide ( $\text{KI}$ ) dissolved in it.

After 45 seconds this mixture suddenly changed from colourless to blue-black.

- a. Calculate the amount, in mol, of KI in the reaction mixture. [1]
- b. Calculate the amount, in mol, of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in the reaction mixture. [1]
- c. The concentration of iodide ions, I<sup>-</sup>, is assumed to be constant. Outline why this is a valid assumption. [1]
- d. For this mixture the concentration of hydrogen peroxide, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, can also be assumed to be constant. Explain why this is a valid assumption. [2]
- e. Explain why the solution suddenly changes colour. [2]
- f. Apart from the precision uncertainties given, state **one** source of error that could affect this investigation and identify whether this is a random error or a systematic error. [2]
- g. Calculate the total uncertainty, in cm<sup>3</sup>, of the volume of the reaction mixture. [1]
- h. The colour change occurs when  $1.00 \times 10^{-4}$  mol of iodine has been formed. Use the total volume of the solution and the time taken, to calculate the rate of the reaction, including appropriate units. [4]
- i. In a second experiment, the concentration of the hydrogen peroxide was decreased to 1.00 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> while all other concentrations and volumes remained unchanged. The colour change now occurred after 100 seconds. Explain why the reaction in this experiment is slower than in the original experiment. [2]
- j. In a third experiment, 0.100 g of a black powder was also added while all other concentrations and volumes remained unchanged. The time taken for the solution to change colour was now 20 seconds. Outline why you think the colour change occurred more rapidly and how you could confirm your hypothesis. [2]
- k. Explain why increasing the temperature also decreases the time required for the colour to change. [2]

## Markscheme

a.  $\left( \frac{0.0200}{166.00} = \right) 0.000120 / 1.20 \times 10^{-4}$  (mol);

Accept  $1.21 \times 10^{-4}$ .

b.  $(0.0050 \times 2.00 =) 0.010$  (mol) /  $1.0 \times 10^{-2}$ ;

c. KI/I<sup>-</sup>/potassium iodide/iodide (ion) (rapidly) reformed (in second stage of reaction);

d. amount (in mol) of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>/hydrogen peroxide  $\gg$  amount (in mol) Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>/sodium thiosulfate/ thiosulfate (ion);

Accept amount (in mol) of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>/hydrogen peroxide  $\gg$  amount (in mol) KI/I<sup>-</sup>/potassium iodide/iodide (ion).

Accept “[H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>] /hydrogen peroxide is in (large) excess/high concentration”.

(at end of reaction) [H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>] is only slightly decreased/virtually unchanged;

e. all Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/sodium thiosulfate/S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>/thiosulfate consumed/used up;

Accept “iodine no longer converted to iodide”.

(free) iodine is formed / iodine reacts with starch / forms iodine-starch complex;

f. *Random:* synchronizing mixing and starting timing / (reaction) time / uncertainty of concentrations of solutions / temperature of solutions/room temperature;

**OR**

*Systematic:* liquid remaining in measuring cylinders / not all solid KI transferred / precision uncertainty of stopwatch / ability of human eye to detect colour change / parallax error;

*Accept concentration of stock solution and human reaction time as systematic error.*

*Award M1 for correctly identifying a source of error and M2 for classifying it.*

*Accept other valid sources of error.*

*Do not accept “student making mistakes” / OWTTE.*

g.  $(5 \times 0.1) = (\pm)0.5 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)};$

h. total volume =  $0.100 \text{ (dm}^3\text{)}/100 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)};$

$$\left( \text{change in concentration} = \frac{1.00 \times 10^{-4}}{0.100} = \right) 1.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (mol dm}^{-3}\text{)};$$

$$\left( \text{rate} = \frac{1.00 \times 10^{-3}}{45} = \right) 2.2 \times 10^{-5};$$

*Award [3] for the correct final answer.*

$\text{mol dm}^{-3}\text{s}^{-1}$ ;

i. fewer particles (per unit volume);

lower collision rate/collision frequency / less frequent collisions;

*Do not accept “less collisions”.*

j. acting as a catalyst / black powder reacts with thiosulfate ions / solid dissolves to give blue-black solution;

*Accept any other valid suggestion which will make colour change more rapid.*

*For catalyst:* amount/mass of black powder remains constant / no new/different products formed / activation energy decreased;

*For other suggestions:* any appropriate way to test the hypothesis;

*Award [1] for valid hypothesis, [1] for appropriate method of testing the stated hypothesis.*

k. particles have greater (average) kinetic energy;

*Do not accept energy instead of kinetic energy.*

more frequent collisions/collision frequency/number of collisions in a given time increases;

*Do not accept “more collisions” unless “less collisions” penalized in (i).*

greater proportion of particles have energy  $\geq$  activation energy;

*Accept “particles have sufficient energy for collisions to be successful”.*

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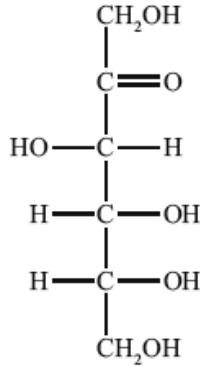
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- c. Calculate the percentage composition by mass of D-fructose. [2]
- d. State a balanced equation for the complete combustion of D-fructose. [2]

## Markscheme

a. hydroxyl **and** carbonyl;

*Accept alcohol as an alternative to hydroxyl and/or ketone as an alternative to carbonyl.*

*Allow hydroxy, but not hydroxide as an alternative to hydroxyl.*

b.  $\text{CH}_2\text{O}$ ;

c. C:  $\left( \frac{12.01}{30.03} \times 100 = \right) 39.99/40.0\%$

H:  $\left( \frac{2.02}{30.03} \times 100 = \right) 6.73/6.7\%$

O:  $\left( \frac{16.00}{30.03} \times 100 = \right) 53.28/53.3\%$ ;

*Award [2] if all three are correct, and [1] if two are correct.*

*Accept if the third value is obtained by subtracting the other two percentages from 100%.*

*Do not penalize if integer values of relative atomic masses are used.*

d.  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6 + 6\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 6\text{CO}_2 + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$

correct formulas of reactants and products;

correct balancing;

*M2 can only be scored if M1 correct.*

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A student added  $7.40 \times 10^{-2}$  g of magnesium ribbon to  $15.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $2.00 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  hydrochloric acid. The hydrogen gas produced was collected using a gas syringe at  $20.0^\circ\text{C}$  and  $1.01 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ .

Calculate the theoretical yield of hydrogen gas:

- a. State the equation for the reaction between magnesium and hydrochloric acid. [1]
- b. Determine the limiting reactant. [3]
- c. (i) in mol. [3]
- (ii) in  $\text{cm}^3$ , under the stated conditions of temperature and pressure.
- d. The actual volume of hydrogen measured was lower than the calculated theoretical volume. [2]

Suggest **two** reasons why the volume of hydrogen gas obtained was less.

## Markscheme

- a.  $\text{Mg(s)} + 2\text{HCl(aq)} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{(g)} + \text{MgCl}_2\text{(aq)}$ ;

b.  $n(\text{Mg}) = \left( \frac{0.0740}{24.31} \right) = 3.04 \times 10^{-3}$  (mol);

Accept range  $3.04 \times 10^{-3}$  to  $3.08 \times 10^{-3}$ .

$n(\text{HCl}) = (2.00 \times 15.0 \times 10^{-3}) = 3.00 \times 10^{-2}$  (mol);

Mg;

c. (i)  $n(\text{H}_2) = n(\text{Mg}) = 3.04 \times 10^{-3}$  (mol);

Accept same value as in 2(b).

Answer must be in range  $3.04 \times 10^{-3}$  to  $3.08 \times 10^{-3}$  and must have 2, 3 or 4 significant figures.

(ii)  $V \left( = \frac{nRT}{P} \right) = \frac{3.04 \times 10^{-3} \times 8.31 \times 293 \times 10^6}{1.01 \times 10^5};$

= 73.4 (cm<sup>3</sup>);

Accept answers in the range 72.3 to 74.3 (cm<sup>3</sup>).

d. gas leaks from apparatus / gas escapes;

the syringe stuck;

Mg impure;

## Examiners report

- a. Part (a) was scored correctly about 50% of the time but many assumed magnesium chloride to be MgCl.
- b. Many candidates were able to answer (b) correctly with ECF (error carried forward) taken into account as necessary.
- c. In (c)(i), many following through directly from (b) weren't careful enough with the significant figures of the answer and were penalized here. Part (c)(ii) required a careful calculation; most did not make the correct correction to cm<sup>3</sup>.
- d. In (d), candidates needed to think whether the answer they gave made sense in the context of the experiment and their previous answers. It is important that candidates are exposed to a wide range of practical experiences.

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Airbags are an important safety feature in vehicles. Sodium azide, potassium nitrate and silicon dioxide have been used in one design of airbag.



[Source: [www.hilalairbag.net](http://www.hilalairbag.net)]

Sodium azide, a toxic compound, undergoes the following decomposition reaction under certain conditions.

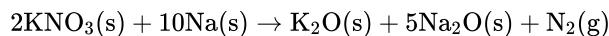


Two students looked at data in a simulated computer-based experiment to determine the volume of nitrogen generated in an airbag.

Using the simulation programme, the students entered the following data into the computer.

Temperature ( $T$ ) / °C	Mass of $\text{NaN}_3(s)$ ( $m$ ) / kg	Pressure ( $p$ ) / atm
25.00	0.0650	1.08

The chemistry of the airbag was found to involve three reactions. The first reaction involves the decomposition of sodium azide to form sodium and nitrogen. In the second reaction, potassium nitrate reacts with sodium.



An airbag inflates very quickly.

a. Sodium azide involves ionic bonding, and metallic bonding is present in sodium. Describe ionic and metallic bonding. [2]

b.i. State the number of significant figures for the temperature, mass and pressure data. [1]

$T$ :

$m$ :

$p$ :

b.ii. Calculate the amount, in mol, of sodium azide present. [1]

b.iii. Determine the volume of nitrogen gas, in  $\text{dm}^3$ , produced under these conditions based on this reaction. [4]

c.i. Suggest why it is necessary for sodium to be removed by this reaction. [1]

c.ii. The metal oxides from the second reaction then react with silicon dioxide to form a silicate in the third reaction. [2]



Draw the structure of silicon dioxide and state the type of bonding present.

Structure:

Bonding:

d.i. It takes just 0.0400 seconds to produce nitrogen gas in the simulation. Calculate the average rate of formation of nitrogen in (b) (iii) and state its units. [1]

d.ii. The students also discovered that a small increase in temperature (e.g. 10 °C) causes a large increase (e.g. doubling) in the rate of this reaction. [1]

State **one** reason for this.

## Markscheme

a. *Ionic:*

(electrostatic) attraction between oppositely charged ions/cations and anions/positive and negative ions;

*Do not accept answers such as compounds containing metal and non-metal are ionic.*

*Metallic:*

(electrostatic attraction between lattice of) positive ions/cations/nuclei and delocalized electrons / (bed of) positive ions/cations/nuclei in sea of electrons / OWTTE;

b.i.  $T$ : 4 **and**  $m$ : 3 **and**  $p$ : 3;

b.ii.  $n = (65.0/65.02) = 1.00 \text{ (mol)}$ ;

No penalty for using whole number atomic masses.

b.iii.  $n(\text{N}_2) = \left(\frac{3}{2} \times 1.00\right) = 1.50 \text{ (mol)}$ ;

$T = ((25.00 + 273.15) =) 298.15 \text{ K}/(25.00 + 273) = 298 \text{ K}$ ;

$p = 1.08 \times 1.01 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}/1.08 \times 1.01 \times 10^2 \text{ kPa}/1.09 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}/1.09 \times 10^2 \text{ kPa}$ ;

$V = \frac{nRT}{p} = \frac{(10^3)(1.50)(8.31)(298.15/298)}{(1.08 \times 1.01 \times 10^5)} = 34.1 \text{ (dm}^3\text{)}$ ;

Award [4] for correct final answer.

Award [3 max] for  $0.0341 \text{ (dm}^3\text{)}$  or  $22.7 \text{ (dm}^3\text{)}$ .

Award [3 max] for  $34.4 \text{ (dm}^3\text{)}$ .

Award [2 max] for  $22.9 \text{ (dm}^3\text{)}$ .

Award [2 max] for  $0.0227 \text{ (dm}^3\text{)}$ .

Award [2 max] for  $0.034 \text{ (dm}^3\text{)}$ .

c.i. sodium could react violently with any moisture present / sodium is (potentially) explosive / sodium is dangerous since it is flammable when it

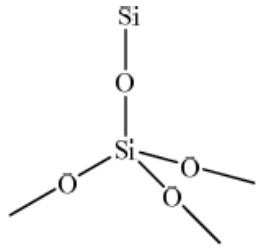
forms hydrogen on contact with water / OWTTE;

Do not accept answers such as sodium is dangerous or sodium is too reactive.

c.ii. Structure:

drawing of giant structure showing tetrahedrally arranged silicon;

Minimum information required for mark is Si and 4 O atoms, in a tetrahedral arrangement (not  $90^\circ$  bond angles) but with each of the 4 O atoms showing an extension bond.



Bonding:

(giant/network/3D) covalent;

d.i.  $\left(\frac{34.1}{0.0400}\right) = 853 \text{ dm}^3 \text{s}^{-1} / \left(\frac{1.50}{0.0400}\right) = 37.5 \text{ mol s}^{-1}$ ;

Accept  $851 \text{ dm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$ .

Units required for mark.

d.ii. more energetic collisions / more species have energy  $\geq E_a$ ;

Allow more frequent collisions / species collide more often.

## Examiners report

- a. Question 1 tested a number of concepts and very few students were able to gain all the marks available. Part (a) was fairly well done and students could explain ionic and metallic bonding although weak students did not explain the bonding but simply stated that ionic was between metal and non metal etc.
- b.i.Surprisingly in part (b) (i) a number of students could not state the number of significant figures and many stated that 25.00 was 2 SF instead of 4.
- b.ii.Part (b) (ii) required the calculation of the amount of substance in moles, and was generally well done although some did not realise the value was in kg and so had a value 1000 times too small.
- b.iiiIn part (b) (iii) a number of students lost marks for forgetting to convert temperature or pressure and also to multiply the amount by 1.5. Also many forgot to convert the pressure into kPa if they wanted their answer in  $\text{dm}^3$ . However, most students could obtain at least one of the marks available.
- c.i.In part (c) (i) many did not relate the removal of sodium to the potential for it to react with water and instead gave a far too vague of answer that it was reactive. However, the very best students were able to answer this hypothesis type question and stated that sodium reacts with water. This proved a good discriminator at the top end of the candidature.
- c.ii.Part (c)(ii) was very poorly answered and the majority of students believed that  $\text{SiO}_2$  had a similar structure to  $\text{CO}_2$ . The very few students that drew a giant structure often did not then show a tetrahedral arrangement of the atoms, however most did realise that the bonding was covalent.
- d.i.Part (d) was generally well answered and most students calculated a rate from their results although some lost the mark for incorrect or absent units.
- d.ii.Most students could then successfully explain why the rate increased with temperature. However a minority forgot to refer to time (i.e. more frequent) in relation to collisions.
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- The percentage by mass of calcium carbonate in eggshell was determined by adding excess hydrochloric acid to ensure that all the calcium carbonate had reacted. The excess acid left was then titrated with aqueous sodium hydroxide.
- (a) A student added  $27.20 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  HCl to  $0.188 \text{ g}$  of eggshell. Calculate the amount, in mol, of HCl added.
  - (b) The excess acid requires  $23.80 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  NaOH for neutralization. Calculate the amount, in mol, of acid that is in excess.
  - (c) Determine the amount, in mol, of HCl that reacted with the calcium carbonate in the eggshell.
  - (d) State the equation for the reaction of HCl with the calcium carbonate in the eggshell.
  - (e) Determine the amount, in mol, of calcium carbonate in the sample of the eggshell.
  - (f) Calculate the mass **and** the percentage by mass of calcium carbonate in the eggshell sample.
  - (g) Deduce **one** assumption made in arriving at the percentage of calcium carbonate in the eggshell sample.

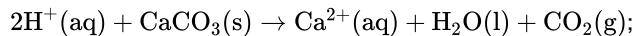
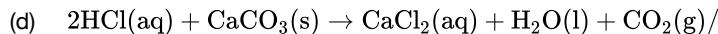
## Markscheme

(a)  $n(\text{HCl}) (= 0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \times 0.02720 \text{ dm}^3) = 0.00544/5.44 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (mol)}$ ;

(b)  $n(\text{HCl})$  excess ( $= 0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \times 0.02380 \text{ dm}^3 = 0.00238/2.38 \times 10^{-3}$  (mol);

*Penalize not dividing by 1000 once only in (a) and (b).*

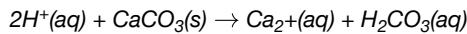
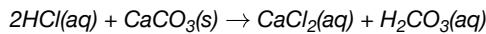
(c)  $n(\text{HCl})$  reacted ( $= 0.00544 - 0.00238 = 0.00306/3.06 \times 10^{-3}$  (mol);



*Award [1] for correct reactants and products.*

*Award [1] if this equation correctly balanced.*

*Award [1 max] for the following equations:*



*Ignore state symbols.*

(e)  $n(\text{CaCO}_3) = \left( \frac{1}{2} n(\text{HCl}) \right) = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.00306;$

$= 0.00153/1.53 \times 10^{-3}$  (mol);

*Award [2] for correct final answer.*

(f)  $M_r(\text{CaCO}_3)$  ( $= 40.08 + 12.01 + 3 \times 16.00 = 100.09/100.1/M = 100.09/100.1$  (g mol $^{-1}$ );

*Accept 100.*

$m(\text{CaCO}_3)$  ( $= nM$ )  $= 0.00153$  (mol)  $\times 100.09$  (g mol $^{-1}$ )  $= 0.153$  (g);

$\left( \frac{0.153}{0.188} \times 100 \right) = 81.4\%$  /  $81.5\%$ ;

*Accept answers in the range 79.8 to 81.5%.*

*Award [3] for correct final answer.*

(g) only  $\text{CaCO}_3$  reacts with acid / impurities are inert/non-basic / impurities do not react with the acid / nothing else in the eggshell reacts with acid / no other carbonates;

*Do not accept "all calcium carbonate reacts with acid".*

## Examiners report

Responses to this question were mixed. Many candidates were able to calculate the amount of HCl given its volume and concentration; however some failed to convert the volume from cm $^3$  to dm $^3$ . Some calculated the amount of acid which had reacted rather than the excess asked for. A significant number of candidates gave carbonic acid as a product of the reaction and some were not able to write the formula of calcium carbonate. Although candidates correctly determined the amount and percentage of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  in the egg sample; many struggled with the assumption made. Only a small number realising that one had to assume that only the  $\text{CaCO}_3$  reacted with the acid, nothing else in the sample would react. Some of the incorrect answers were: "it contained no contaminants", "it is 100% calcium carbonate" or "the eggshell was pure". There were a significant number of candidates however who received 0 marks for the whole question. Clearly, as was pointed out in the most recent November 2009 subject report, it appears that many schools are not covering core laboratory areas such as volumetric chemistry.

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Menthol is an organic compound containing carbon, hydrogen and oxygen.

- a. Complete combustion of 0.1595 g of menthol produces 0.4490 g of carbon dioxide and 0.1840 g of water. Determine the empirical formula of [3] the compound showing your working.
- b. 0.150 g sample of menthol, when vaporized, had a volume of 0.0337 dm<sup>3</sup> at 150 °C and 100.2 kPa. Calculate its molar mass showing your [2] working.

## Markscheme

a. carbon: « $\frac{0.4490 \text{ g}}{44.01 \text{ g mol}^{-1}}$ » = 0.01020 «mol» / 0.1225 «g»

**OR**

hydrogen: « $\frac{0.1840 \times 2}{18.02}$ » = 0.02042 «mol» / 0.0206 «g»

oxygen: «0.1595 – (0.1225 + 0.0206)» = 0.0164 «g» / 0.001025 «mol»



*Award [3] for correct final answer.*

- b. temperature = 423 K

**OR**

« $M = \frac{mRT}{pV}$ »

« $M = \frac{0.150 \text{ g} \times 8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1} \times 423 \text{ K}}{100.2 \text{ kPa} \times 0.0337 \text{ dm}^3}$ » = 156 «g mol<sup>-1</sup>»

*Award [1] for correct answer with no working shown.*

Accept “ $pV = nRT$  AND  $n = \frac{m}{M}$ ” for M1.

## Examiners report

- a. [N/A]  
b. [N/A]

25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> ethanoic acid were added to 30.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of a 0.150 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> sodium hydrogencarbonate solution, NaHCO<sub>3</sub>(aq).

The molar mass of a volatile organic liquid, X, can be determined experimentally by allowing it to vaporize completely at a controlled temperature and pressure. 0.348 g of X was injected into a gas syringe maintained at a temperature of 90 °C and a pressure of  $1.01 \times 10^5$  Pa. Once it had reached equilibrium, the gas volume was measured as 95.0 cm<sup>3</sup>.

Bromoethane, CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Br, undergoes a substitution reaction to form ethanol, CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH.

- a. Outline how electrical conductivity can be used to distinguish between a 0.200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> solution of ethanoic acid, CH<sub>3</sub>COOH, and a [1] 0.200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> solution of hydrochloric acid, HCl.
- b. (i) State an equation for the reaction of ethanoic acid with a solution of sodium hydrogencarbonate. [5]

(ii) Determine which is the limiting reagent. Show your working.

(iii) Calculate the mass, in g, of carbon dioxide produced.

c. (i) Determine the amount, in mol, of **X** in the gas syringe.

[4]

(ii) Calculate the molar mass of **X**.

d. (i) Identify the reagent necessary for this reaction to occur.

[4]

(ii) Deduce the mechanism for the reaction using equations and curly arrows to represent the movement of electron pairs.

e. ii. Determine the enthalpy change, in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ , for this reaction, using Table 10 of the Data Booklet.

[3]

f. Bromoethene,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CHBr}$ , can undergo polymerization. Draw a section of this polymer that contains six carbon atoms.

[1]

## Markscheme

a. HCl is a strong acid **and**  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  is a weak acid so HCl has higher conductivity / HCl dissociates completely in water **and**  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  does not, so HCl has higher conductivity / HCl is stronger acid (than  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ ) so has higher  $[\text{H}^+]$  and higher conductivity;

b. (i)  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}(\text{aq}) + \text{HCO}_3^-(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) + \text{CO}_2(\text{g})$ ;

*Accept  $\text{NaHCO}_3(\text{aq})$  and  $\text{CH}_3\text{COONa}(\text{aq})$  instead of ions.*

*Ignore state symbols.*

(ii)  $n(\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}) = 0.00500 \text{ (mol)}$  **and**  $n(\text{NaHCO}_3) = 0.00450 \text{ (mol)}$ ;

$\text{NaHCO}_3$  is limiting;

(iii)  $n(\text{CO}_2) = n(\text{NaHCO}_3) = 0.00450 \text{ (mol)}$ ;

$m(\text{CO}_2) = 0.00450 \times 44.01 = 0.198 \text{ (g)}$ ;

*Award [2] for correct final answer.*

c. (i)  $T = 363 \text{ K}$  **and**  $V = 9.50 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3$ ;

*Accept  $V = 9.5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ dm}^3$  if P is used as 101 kPa in calculation.*

$$n = \frac{PV}{RT} = \frac{1.01 \times 10^5 \times 9.50 \times 10^{-5}}{8.31 \times 363};$$

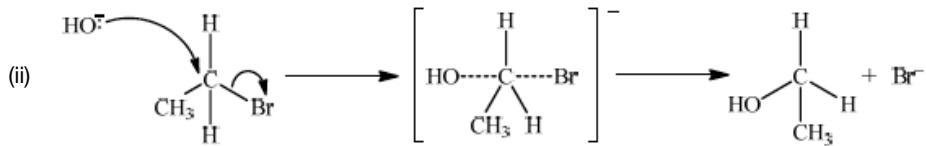
$$= 3.18 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (mol)};$$

*Award [3] for correct final answer.*

(ii)  $M = \left( \frac{m}{n} = \frac{0.348}{3.18 \times 10^{-3}} \right) 109 \text{ (g mol}^{-1}\text{)};$

d. (i) (dilute aqueous) NaOH/sodium hydroxide / KOH/potassium hydroxide;

*Do not accept hydroxide/OH<sup>-</sup>.*



curly arrow going from lone pair/negative charge on O in HO<sup>-</sup> to C;

*Do not allow curly arrow originating on H in HO<sup>-</sup>.*

curly arrow showing Br leaving;

*Accept curly arrow either going from bond between C and Br to Br in bromoethane or in the transition state.*

representation of transition state showing negative charge, square brackets and partial bonds;

*Do not penalize if HO and Br are not at 180° to each other.*

*Do not award M3 if OH—C bond is represented.*

e.ii.bonds broken:

$$1(\text{C=C}) + 1(\text{H-Br}) / (612 + 366 =) 978 \text{ (kJ);}$$

*Accept 2630 (kJ).*

bonds formed:

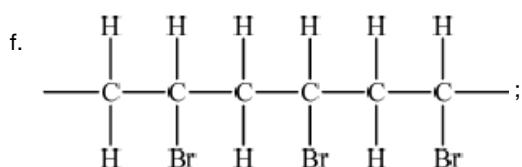
$$1(\text{C-C}) + 1(\text{C-H}) + 1(\text{C-Br}) / (1 \times 347 + 1 \times 413 + 1 \times 290 =) 1050 \text{ (kJ);}$$

*Accept 2702 (kJ).*

$$\Delta H = -72 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{);}$$

*Award [3] for correct final answer.*

*Award [2 max] for +72 (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{).*



*Extension bonds required.*

*Ignore brackets and n.*

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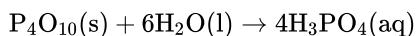
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Phosphorus(V) oxide, P<sub>4</sub>O<sub>10</sub> ( $M_r = 283.88$ ), reacts vigorously with water ( $M_r = 18.02$ ), according to the equation below.



- a.i. Calculate the relative atomic mass of this sample of magnesium correct to **two** decimal places. [2]
- a.iii Predict the relative atomic radii of the three magnesium isotopes, giving your reasons. [2]
- b. Describe the bonding in magnesium. [2]
- c. State an equation for the reaction of magnesium oxide with water. [1]
- d.i. A student added 5.00 g of P<sub>4</sub>O<sub>10</sub> to 1.50 g of water. Determine the limiting reactant, showing your working. [2]
- d.ii. Calculate the mass of phosphoric(V) acid, H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, formed in the reaction. [2]
- d.iii. State a balanced equation for the reaction of aqueous H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> with excess aqueous sodium hydroxide, including state symbols. [2]
- d.iv. State the formula of the conjugate base of H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>. [1]
- e. (i) Deduce the Lewis structure of PH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>. [4]

(ii) Predict, giving a reason, the bond angle around the phosphorus atom in  $\text{PH}_4^+$ .

(iii) Predict whether or not the P–H bond is polar, giving a reason for your choice.

## Markscheme

a.i.  $\left( \frac{(77.44 \times 24) + (10.00 \times 25) + (12.56 \times 26)}{100} \right);$

24.35;

*Award [2] for correct final answer.*

*Two decimal places are required for M2.*

*Do not award any marks for 24.31 without showing method (as the value can be copied from the Data Booklet).*

a.ii same atomic radii / 160 pm;

isotopes only differ by number of neutrons/size of nucleus / radius

determined by electron shells and number of protons / OWTTE;

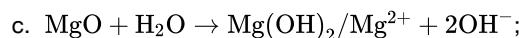
*Accept neutrons do not affect distance of electrons / OWTTE.*

b. (lattice of) positive ions/cations **and** mobile/free/delocalized electrons;

*Accept “sea of electrons” instead of “delocalized electrons”.*

*Award M1 for a suitable diagram.*

electrostatic attraction (between ions and delocalized electrons);



*Accept reversible arrow.*

d.i.  $\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}: \left( \frac{5.00}{283.88} = \right) 0.0176 \text{ (mol)}$  **and**  $\text{H}_2\text{O}: \left( \frac{1.50}{18.02} = \right) 0.0832 \text{ (mol)}$ ;

$\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is the limiting reactant **and** reason related to stoichiometry;

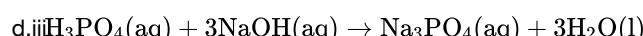
d.ii.  $\frac{0.0832 \times 4}{6} / 0.0555 \text{ (mol)}$ ;

$(0.0555 \times 98.00 =) 5.44 \text{ g};$

*The unit is needed for M2.*

*Award [2] for correct final answer.*

*Do not penalize slight numerical variations due to premature rounding.*

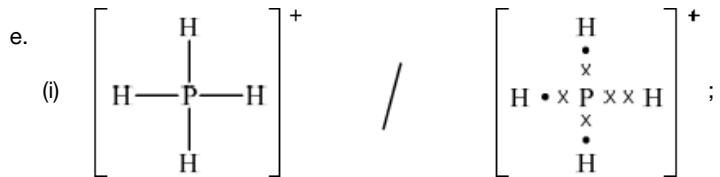


correct products and balancing;

correct state symbols;

*Accept valid ionic equations.*





Accept dots, crosses or lines for pairs of electrons.

No need to distinguish the dative covalent bond from the other bonds.

Charge is required for the mark.

Do not penalize missing square brackets.

(ii)  $109^\circ 27' / 109.5^\circ / 109^\circ$ ;

4 electron domains/pairs/(negative) charge centres (around central atom/P);

Accept ion is tetrahedral / electron pairs/domains repel each other.

(iii) non-polar and P and H have the same electronegativity / OWTTE;

Accept slightly polar as precise electronegativities of P and H are not identical / OWTTE.

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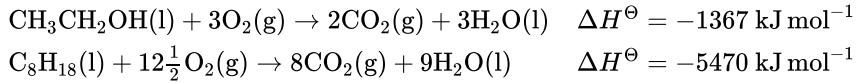
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Assume that the other 90% by mass of Gasohol E10 is octane. 1.00 kg of this fuel mixture was burned.



a.i. Calculate the mass, in g, of ethanol and octane in 1.00 kg of the fuel mixture. [1]

a.ii. Calculate the amount, in mol, of ethanol and octane in 1.00 kg of the fuel mixture. [1]

a.iii Calculate the total amount of energy, in kJ, released when 1.00 kg of the fuel mixture is completely burned. [3]

b. If the fuel blend was vaporized before combustion, predict whether the amount of energy released would be greater, less or the same. Explain your answer. [2]

## Markscheme

a.i. (10% 1000 g =) 100 g ethanol **and** (90% 1000 g =) 900 g octane;

a.ii.  $n(\text{ethanol}) = 2.17 \text{ mol}$  **and**  $n(\text{octane}) = 7.88 \text{ mol}$ ;

a.iii  $E_{\text{released from ethanol}} = (2.17 \times 1367) = 2966 \text{ (kJ)}$ ;

$E_{\text{released from octane}} = (7.88 \times 5470) = 43104 \text{ (kJ)}$ ;

total energy released =  $(2966 + 43104) = 4.61 \times 10^4 \text{ (kJ)}$ ;

*Award [3] for correct final answer.*

*Accept answers using whole numbers for molar masses and rounding.*

b. greater;

fewer intermolecular bonds/forces to break / vaporization is endothermic / gaseous fuel has greater enthalpy than liquid fuel / OWTTE;

*M2 cannot be scored if M1 is incorrect.*

## Examiners report

a.i. Candidates were able to calculate the mass of ethanol and octane in the fuel mixture. The most common error here involved not expressing the answer in the requested units of grams. A number of candidates expressed answers in kg.

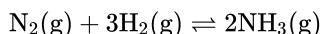
a.ii. Many candidates were able to calculate the number of mole of ethanol and octane in (a) (ii) but errors in the calculation of molar mass were seen regularly. Candidates should also use the relative atomic masses, expressed to two decimal places as in the Periodic Table provided in the Data Table.

a.iii In part (a) (iii) some candidates multiplied incorrect numbers together or did not consider the number of moles of each part of the fuel mixture.

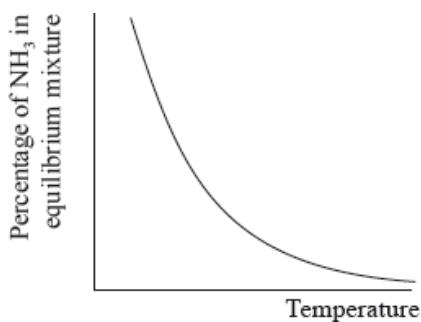
Some candidates just added the enthalpies of combustion provided in the questions.

b. Part (b) was found to be very challenging by candidates. Very few candidates had the depth of understanding to answer this question adequately.

The equation for the Haber process is given below.



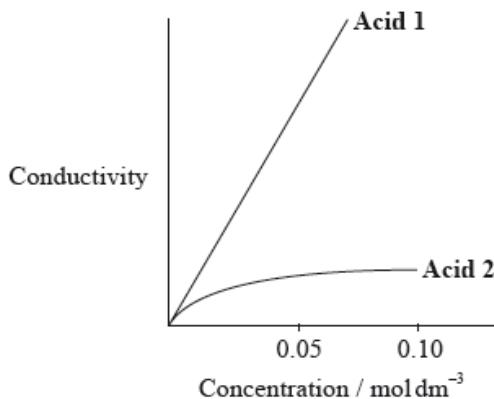
The percentage of ammonia in the equilibrium mixture varies with temperature.



Fertilizers may cause health problems for babies because nitrates can change into nitrites in water used for drinking.

A student decided to investigate the reactions of the two acids with separate samples of 0.20 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> sodium hydroxide solution.

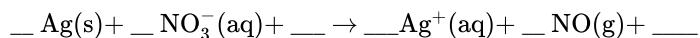
- a. (i) Use the graph to deduce whether the forward reaction is exothermic or endothermic and explain your choice. [6]
- (ii) State and explain the effect of increasing the pressure on the yield of ammonia.
- (iii) Explain the effect of increasing the temperature on the rate of reaction.
- b. (i) Define *oxidation* in terms of oxidation numbers. [2]
- (ii) Deduce the oxidation states of nitrogen in the nitrate, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, and nitrite, NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>, ions.
- c. The nitrite ion is present in nitrous acid, HNO<sub>2</sub>, which is a weak acid. The nitrate ion is present in nitric acid, HNO<sub>3</sub>, which is a strong acid. [3]
- Distinguish between the terms *strong* and *weak acid* and state the equations used to show the dissociation of each acid in aqueous solution.
- d. A small piece of magnesium ribbon is added to solutions of nitric and nitrous acid of the same concentration at the same temperature. Describe [2] two observations that would allow you to distinguish between the two acids.
- e. (i) Calculate the volume of the sodium hydroxide solution required to react exactly with a 15.0 cm<sup>3</sup> solution of 0.10 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> nitric acid. [2]
- (ii) The following hypothesis was suggested by the student: "Since nitrous acid is a weak acid it will react with a smaller volume of the 0.20 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> sodium hydroxide solution." Comment on whether or not this is a valid hypothesis.
- f. The graph below shows how the conductivity of the two acids changes with concentration. [2]



Identify Acid 1 and explain your choice.

g. Nitric acid reacts with silver in a redox reaction.

[3]



Using oxidation numbers, deduce the complete balanced equation for the reaction showing all the reactants and products.

## Markscheme

a. (i) exothermic;

*Accept either of the following for the second mark.*

increasing temperature favours endothermic/reverse reaction;

as yield decreases with increasing temperature;

(ii) yield increases / equilibrium moves to the right / more ammonia;

increase in pressure favours the reaction which has fewer moles of gaseous products;

(iii) (rate increases because) increase in frequency (of collisions);

increase in energy (of collisions);

more colliding molecules with  $E \geq E_a$ ;

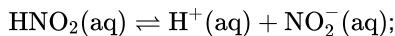
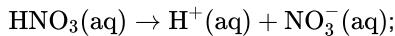
b. (i) increase in the oxidation number;

(ii)  $(\text{NO}_3^-) + 5 \text{ and } (\text{NO}_2^-) + 3$ ;

*Accept V and III.*

*Do not penalize missing charges on numbers.*

c. strong acid completely dissociated/ionized **and** weak acid partially dissociated/ionized;



*Allow only arrows as shown.*

*State symbols not needed.*

*Accept H<sub>2</sub>O and H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>.*

d. With HNO<sub>3</sub>:

faster rate of bubble/gas/hydrogen production;

faster rate of magnesium dissolving;

higher temperature change;

*Accept opposite argument for HNO<sub>2</sub>.*

*Award [1] if 2 observations given but acid is not identified.*

*Reference to specific observations needed.*

e. (i) (nitric acid) 7.5 cm<sup>3</sup>;

(ii) not valid as nitrous acid reacts with same volume/ 7.5 cm<sup>3</sup>;

f. HNO<sub>3</sub>;

(higher conductivity for solutions with same concentration as) there are more ions in solution;

g. change in oxidation numbers: Ag from 0 to +1 **and** N from +5 to +2;

*Do not penalise missing charges on numbers.*

balanced equation:  $\text{3Ag} + \text{NO}_3^- + \text{4H}^+ \rightarrow \text{3A}(\text{g}) + \text{NO} + \text{2H}_2\text{O}$

Award [1] for correct reactants and product;

Award [3] for correct balanced equation.

Ignore state symbols

## Examiners report

- a. This was the most popular question and it was well answered by the majority of candidates. The reaction was correctly described as exothermic and the reason for this explained correctly in most cases. Most candidates knew that yield would increase with increased pressure, but failed to score a second mark because they did not mention ‘gaseous’ although they did know the answer. The effect of increased temperature on rate was generally well described although some did get confused with yield and how it would affect equilibrium.
- b. Most candidates correctly defined oxidation in 6(b)(i) but ‘hedged their bets’ by stating loss of electrons as well as an increase in oxidation number. In 6(b)(ii) the oxidation states were generally deduced correctly but sometimes written as ionic charges (5+ for instance, instead of +5).
- c. In 6(c) most correctly defined strong and weak acids, and many also wrote correct equations. A few, though, had no idea. In (c), arrows proved to be a minefield for several candidates, especially the equilibrium sign. HA was commonly given, as were CH<sub>3</sub>COOH and HCl, instead of nitric and nitrous acid.
- d. 6(d) presented problems with many candidates unable to describe observations and instead stating there would be ‘more hydrogen produced’ or just that ‘the reaction would be faster’. However, better candidates were able to answer this part correctly and scored full marks.
- e. In 6(e)(i) the calculation was answered well, but 6(e)(ii), that asked for a comment on the hypothesis, was not and few candidates stated that the same volume of acid was needed.
- f. In 6(f), the majority correctly identified the strong acid but often failed to explain its better conductivity in terms of the ions.
- g. Many could give a correct balanced equation and scored the 3 marks, and others scored 1 mark for giving the correct reactants and products. However, not many candidates used oxidation numbers to deduce the balanced equation.

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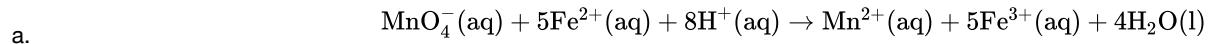
The data below is from an experiment used to determine the percentage of iron present in a sample of iron ore. This sample was dissolved in acid and all of the iron was converted to Fe<sup>2+</sup>. The resulting solution was titrated with a standard solution of potassium manganate(VII), KMnO<sub>4</sub>. This procedure was carried out three times. In acidic solution, MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> reacts with Fe<sup>2+</sup> ions to form Mn<sup>2+</sup> and Fe<sup>3+</sup> and the end point is indicated by a slight pink colour.

Titre	1	2	3
Initial burette reading / cm <sup>3</sup>	1.00	23.60	10.00
Final burette reading / cm <sup>3</sup>	24.60	46.10	32.50

<b>Mass of iron ore / g</b>	$3.682 \times 10^{-1}$
<b>Concentration of KMnO<sub>4</sub> solution / mol dm<sup>-3</sup></b>	$2.152 \times 10^{-2}$

- a. Deduce the balanced redox equation for this reaction in **acidic** solution. [2]
- b. Identify the reducing agent in the reaction. [1]
- c. Calculate the amount, in moles, of MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> used in the titration. [2]
- d. Calculate the amount, in moles, of Fe present in the  $3.682 \times 10^{-1}$  g sample of iron ore. [2]
- e. Determine the percentage by mass of Fe present in the  $3.682 \times 10^{-1}$  g sample of iron ore. [2]

## Markscheme

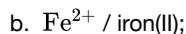


*Award [2] if correctly balanced.*

*Award [1] for correctly placing H<sup>+</sup> and H<sub>2</sub>O.*

*Award [1 max] for correct balanced equation but with electrons shown.*

*Ignore state symbols.*



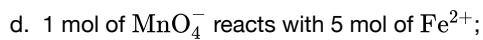
*Do not accept iron.*

c.  $n = 2.152 \times 10^{-2} \times 2.250 \times 10^{-2}$ ;

$4.842 \times 10^{-4}$  (mol);

*Award [1] for correct volume*

*Award [1] for correct calculation.*



$5 \times 4.842 \times 10^{-4} = 2.421 \times 10^{-3}$  (mol);

(same number of moles of Fe in the iron ore)

*Allow ECF from part (a) and (c) provided some mention of mole ratio is stated.*

e.  $2.421 \times 10^{-3} \times 55.85 = 0.1352$  (g);

$\frac{0.1352}{0.3682} \times 100 = 36.72\%$ ;

*Allow ECF from part (d).*

## Examiners report

- a. Most G2 comments on Section A were about this question. Many commented that titration is not part of the SL syllabus; however it is the expectation that students would cover this and other basic chemical techniques as part of their practical programme. Question 1 in all papers is meant to be data response and students will be expected to be familiar with experimental techniques. Also, there was some confusion caused

because there was one sample and three titres. However this unfortunate cause of confusion did not seem to impact on candidate performance as poor performance was found throughout the question even with some very routine questions. Generally this question was poorly answered. In a) not many candidates managed to write the correct balanced equation, however many gave the correct species that were missing,  $\text{H}^+$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .

- b. Most candidates were able to identify the reducing agent although a few candidates just mentioned "iron" or Fe, but metallic iron was not in the equation.
- c. In (c) candidates were not familiar with the process of selecting the 2 best titres and averaging them. Some chose the first written, some averaged all three and some weaker candidates merely added the 3 titres and used this. Some candidates also forgot to convert  $\text{cm}^3$  to  $\text{dm}^3$ .
- d. [N/A]
- e. In 1(e), a few candidates scored ECF marks for the % based on  $n(\text{Fe})$  calculated in (d). A couple of candidates realised that their answer to (d) did not help and followed on from (c) to find the number of moles of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  and hence the % of Fe, scoring ECF marks.

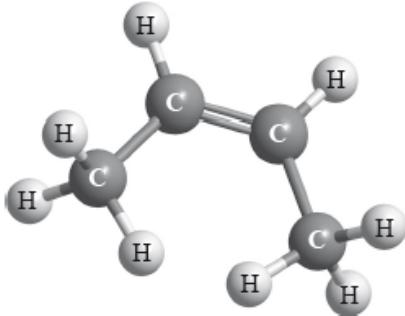
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Alkenes, alcohols and esters are three families of organic compounds with many commercial uses.

Esters are often used in perfumes. Analysis of a compound containing the ester functional group only, gives a percentage composition by mass of C: 62.0% and H: 10.4%.

a.ii.State the meaning of the term *structural isomers*. [1]

a.iii**X** is an isomer of  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_8$  and has the structural formula shown below. [3]



Apply IUPAC rules to name this isomer. Deduce the structural formulas of **two** other isomers of  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_8$ .

a.ivState the balanced chemical equation for the reaction of **X** with  $\text{HBr}$  to form **Y**. [1]

a.v**Y** reacts with aqueous sodium hydroxide,  $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$ , to form an alcohol, **Z**. Identify whether **Z** is a primary, secondary or tertiary alcohol. [1]

a.viExplain **one** suitable mechanism for the reaction in (v) using curly arrows to represent the movement of electron pairs. [4]

a.viiDeduce the structural formula of the organic product formed when **Z** is oxidized by heating under reflux with acidified potassium dichromate(VI) [2]

and state the name of the functional group of this organic product.

b.i.Draw the ester functional group. [1]

b.iiDetermine the empirical formula of the ester, showing your working. [4]

# Markscheme

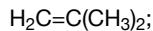
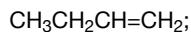
a.ii.compounds with the same molecular formula but different arrangement of atoms/structural formula/structures;

*Do not allow similar instead of same.*

a.iii(*cis*-)but-2-ene / (*Z*)but-2-ene / but-2-ene;

*Accept (*cis*-)2-butene / *Z*-2-butene.*

*Ignore missing hyphens.*



*Accept either full or condensed structural formulas.*

*Allow structural formula of trans-but-2-ene.*

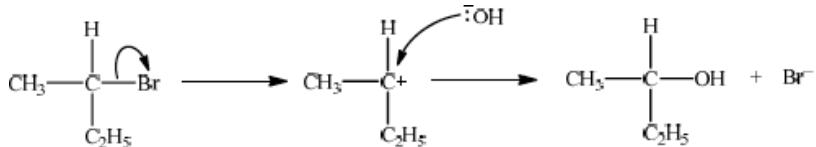
a.iv  $(\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3) + \text{HBr} \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{CHBrCH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ;

*Allow C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>8</sub> + HBr → C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>Br.*

a.v.secondary/ 2°;

a.vi Since secondary could be either S<sub>N</sub>1 or S<sub>N</sub>2 so allow S<sub>N</sub>1 or S<sub>N</sub>2 for M1–M4.

S<sub>N</sub>1:



curly arrow showing Br leaving;

*Do not allow arrow originating from C to C-Br bond.*

representation of secondary carbocation;

curly arrow going from lone pair/negative charge on O in HO<sup>-</sup> to C<sup>+</sup>;

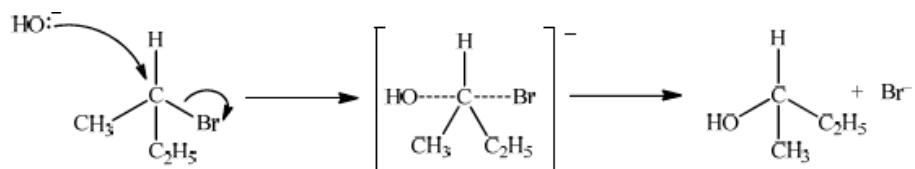
*Do not allow arrow originating on H in HO<sup>-</sup>.*

formation of organic product CH<sub>3</sub>CH(OH)C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>/C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>OH and Br<sup>-</sup>;

*Allow formation of NaBr instead of Br<sup>-</sup>.*

**OR**

S<sub>N</sub>2:



curly arrow going from lone pair/negative charge on O in HO<sup>-</sup> to C;

*Do not allow curly arrow originating on H in HO<sup>-</sup>.*

curly arrow showing Br leaving;

*Accept curly arrow either going from bond between C and Br to Br in 2-bromobutane or in the transition state.*

*Do not allow arrow originating from C to C–Br bond.*

representation of transition state showing negative charge, square brackets and partial bonds;

*Do not penalize if HO and Br are not at 180° to each other.*

*Do not award M3 if OH ---- C bond is represented.*

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*Allow formation of NaBr instead of Br<sup>-</sup>.*

*For primary Z from (v), for ECF S<sub>N</sub>2 required.*

*For tertiary Z from (v), for ECF S<sub>N</sub>1 required.*

*But curly arrow showing Br leaving and formation of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>OH **and** Br<sup>-</sup> can be scored for either mechanism (even if incorrect type).*

*For primary Z from (v) with 1-bromobutane stated in (vi), correct S<sub>N</sub>2 can score full marks.*

*If (v) is not answered and incorrect starting reagent is given in (vi), M1, M2 and M3 may be scored but not M4 for either correct S<sub>N</sub>1 or S<sub>N</sub>2.*

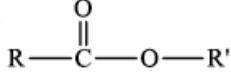
a.vi  $\text{CH}_3\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ;

*Full or condensed structural formula may be given.*

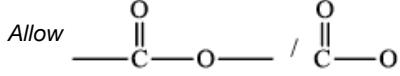
*For primary Z from (v), accept CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COOH/C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>COOH but not CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CHO.*

ketone / alkanone;

b.i. drawing of RCOOR' group /



*Allow C instead of R or R'.*



b.ii.  $(100 - 62.0 - 10.4 =) 27.6\% \text{ O};$

$$n_C : \left( \frac{62.0}{12.01} = \right) 5.162 \text{ (mol)} \text{ and } n_H : \left( \frac{10.4}{1.01} = \right) 10.297 \text{ (mol)}$$

$$\text{and } n_O : \left( \frac{27.6}{16.00} = \right) 1.725 \text{ (mol);}$$

dividing 5.162 and 10.297 by 1.725 (to get values C<sub>2.992</sub>H<sub>5.969</sub>O<sub>1</sub>);

(empirical formula =) C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O;

*Award [4] for correct final answer if alternative method used.*

*Allow integer values for atomic masses (i.e. 12, 1 and 16).*

b.iii C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>2</sub>;

## Examiners report

a.ii Meaning of the term *structural isomers* was well defined with the weaker candidates referring to similar instead of same molecular formula but different arrangement of atoms.

a.iii Many candidates stated the IUPAC name of the isomers of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>8</sub> and deduced correctly the structural formulas of the two other isomers.

a.iv Most candidates were able to write the chemical equation for the reaction of the isomer of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>8</sub> with HBr and identify the alcohol formed by the reaction of that product with NaOH.

a.v In part (a) (v), the mechanisms proved a problem for majority of candidates.

a.vi The use of curly arrows in reaction mechanisms continues to be poorly understood, the arrow often pointing in the wrong direction. Candidates must take care to accurately draw the position of the curly arrows illustrating the movement of electrons.

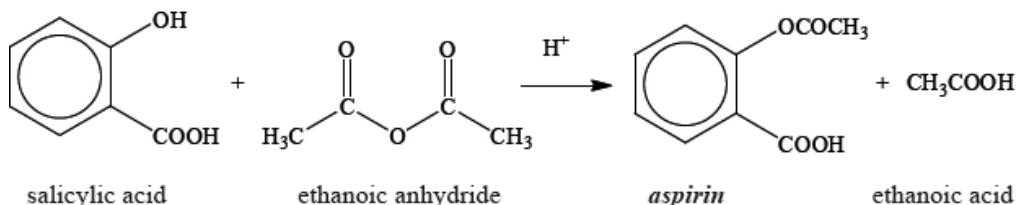
a.vii [N/A]

b.i In part (b), the ester functional group was drawn correctly and it was pleasing to see that the majority of candidates handled the calculation of the empirical and molecular formulas extremely well.

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Aspirin, one of the most widely used drugs in the world, can be prepared according to the equation given below.



A student reacted some salicylic acid with excess ethanoic anhydride. Impure solid aspirin was obtained by filtering the reaction mixture. Pure aspirin was obtained by recrystallization. The following table shows the data recorded by the student.

Mass of salicylic acid used	$3.15 \pm 0.02$ g
Mass of pure aspirin obtained	$2.50 \pm 0.02$ g

a. State the names of the **three** organic functional groups in aspirin. [3]

b.i.Determine the amount, in mol, of salicylic acid,  $C_6H_4(OH)COOH$ , used. [2]

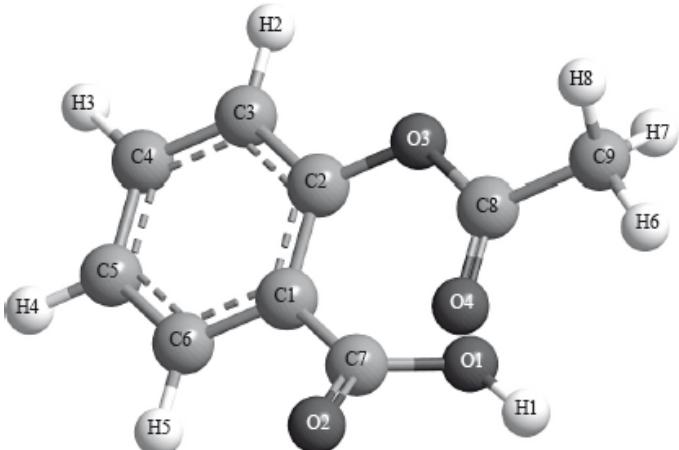
b.ii.Calculate the theoretical yield, in g, of aspirin,  $C_6H_4(OCOCH_3)COOH$ . [2]

b.iiiDetermine the percentage yield of pure aspirin. [1]

b.ivState the number of significant figures associated with the mass of pure aspirin obtained, and calculate the percentage uncertainty associated with this mass. [2]

b.vAnother student repeated the experiment and obtained an experimental yield of 150%. The teacher checked the calculations and found no errors. Comment on the result. [1]

b.viThe following is a three-dimensional computer-generated representation of aspirin. [2]



A third student measured selected bond lengths in aspirin, using this computer program and reported the following data.

Bond	Bond length / $\times 10^{-10}$ m
C1–C2	1.4
C2–C3	1.4
C3–C4	1.4
C4–C5	1.4
C5–C6	1.4
C6–C1	1.4
C2–O3	1.4

The following hypothesis was suggested by the student: "Since all the measured carbon-carbon bond lengths are equal, all the carbon-oxygen bond lengths must also be equal in aspirin. Therefore, the C8–O4 bond length must be  $1.4 \times 10^{-10}$  m". Comment on whether or not this is a valid hypothesis.

b.vii The other product of the reaction is ethanoic acid,  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ . Define an acid according to the Brønsted-Lowry theory and state the conjugate [2] base of  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ .

Brønsted-Lowry definition of an acid:

Conjugate base of  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ :

## Markscheme

a. carboxylic acid / carboxyl;

ester;

*Do not allow carbonyl / acid / ethanoate / formula(–COOH).*

aryl group / benzene ring / phenyl;

b.i.  $M_f(\text{C}_7\text{H}_6\text{O}_3) = 138.13$ ;

$$n = \left( \frac{3.15}{138.13} \right) 2.28 \times 10^{-2} \text{ (mol)};$$

*Award [2] for the correct final answer.*

b.ii.  $M_f(\text{C}_9\text{H}_8\text{O}_4) = 180.17$ ;

$$m = (180.17 \times 2.28 \times 10^{-2}) = 4.11 \text{ (g)};$$

*Accept range 4.10–4.14*

*Award [2] for the correct final answer.*

$$\text{b.iii. percentage yield} = \frac{2.50}{4.11} \times 100 = 60.8\%;$$

Accept 60–61%.

b.iv $\beta$ :

$$(\text{percentage uncertainty} = \frac{0.02}{2.50} \times 100 = ) 0.80\%;$$

Allow 0.8%

b.vsample contaminated with ethanoic acid / aspirin not dry / impure sample;

Accept specific example of a systematic error.

Do not accept error in reading balance/weighing scale.

Do not accept yield greater than 100%.

b.vihypothesis not valid/incorrect;

Accept any of the following for the second mark

C–O and C=O bond lengths will be different;

C<sub>2</sub>–O<sub>3</sub> bond is longer than C<sub>8</sub>–O<sub>4</sub> bond;

C<sub>8</sub>–O<sub>4</sub> bond shorter than C<sub>2</sub>–O<sub>3</sub> bond;

a CO single bond is longer than a CO double bond;

Accept C<sub>8</sub>–O<sub>4</sub> is a double bond hence shorter.

b.viBrønsted-Lowry definition of an acid

proton/H+/hydrogen ion donor;

Conjugate base of CH<sub>3</sub>COOH

CH<sub>3</sub>COO<sup>−</sup>/CH<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub><sup>−</sup>;

Do not accept C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>−</sup>/ethanoate.

## Examiners report

a. In (a) Some candidates gave the correct three names of the functional groups; however some candidates gave answers such as alkene, ketone, aldehyde, ether, and carbonyl.

b.i.Candidates did not have problems determining the number of moles of salicylic acid used in (b) (i), although a few gave the answer with one significant digit only.

b.ii.For (ii) the majority of candidates correctly used the value obtained in (i) to calculate the theoretical yield of aspirin.

b.iiiIn (iii) the percentage yield was calculated correctly in most cases.

b.ivThe calculation of the percentage uncertainty (part (iv) proved to be a little more difficult, but many candidates gave the correct answer of 0.80%.

b.vPart (v) was correctly answered by only a few candidates who stated that aspirin was contaminated or that the aspirin was not dry.

b.viNearly all the candidates correctly stated that the suggested hypothesis was not valid in (vi), giving the right reasons.

b.viiIn (vii) most candidates gave the correct definition of an acid according to Brønsted-Lowry theory, although a few defined the acid according to

Lewis theory. The conjugate base of the ethanoic acid was not always correct.

Magnesium is a group 2 metal which exists as a number of isotopes and forms many compounds.

- a. State the nuclear symbol notation,  $\frac{A}{Z}X$ , for magnesium-26. [1]

- b. Mass spectroscopic analysis of a sample of magnesium gave the following results: [2]

	% abundance
Mg-24	78.60
Mg-25	10.11
Mg-26	11.29

Calculate the relative atomic mass,  $A_r$ , of this sample of magnesium to two decimal places.

- c. Magnesium burns in air to form a white compound, magnesium oxide. Formulate an equation for the reaction of magnesium oxide with water. [1]

- d. Describe the trend in acid-base properties of the oxides of period 3, sodium to chlorine. [2]

- e. In addition to magnesium oxide, magnesium forms another compound when burned in air. Suggest the formula of this compound [1]

- f. Describe the structure and bonding in solid magnesium oxide. [2]

- g. Magnesium chloride can be electrolysed. [2]

Deduce the half-equations for the reactions at each electrode when **molten** magnesium chloride is electrolysed, showing the state symbols of the products. The melting points of magnesium and magnesium chloride are 922 K and 987 K respectively.

Anode (positive electrode):

Cathode (negative electrode):

## Markscheme

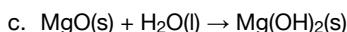


b.  $\ll\text{Ar} = \frac{24 \times 78.60 + 25 \times 10.11 + 26 \times 11.29}{100}$

$\ll= 24.3269 =\gg 24.33$

*Award [2] for correct final answer.*

*Do not accept data booklet value (24.31).*



**OR**



Accept  $\rightleftharpoons$ .

- d. from basic to acidic

through amphoteric

Accept "alkali/alkaline" for "basic".

Accept "oxides of Na and Mg: basic **AND** oxide of Al: amphoteric" for M1.

Accept "oxides of non-metals/Si to Cl acidic" for M2.

Do not accept just "become more acidic"



Accept  $MgO_2$ ,  $Mg(OH)_2$ ,  $Mg(NO_x)_2$ ,  $MgCO_3$ .

- f. «3-D/giant» regularly repeating arrangement «of ions»

**OR**

lattice «of ions»

Accept “giant” for  $M_1$ , unless “giant covalent” stated.

electrostatic attraction between oppositely charged ions

**OR**

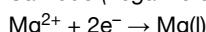
electrostatic attraction between  $Mg^{2+}$  and  $O^{2-}$  ions

Do **not** accept “ionic” without description.

- g. Anode (positive electrode):



Cathode (negative electrode):



Penalize missing/incorrect state symbols at  $Cl_2$  and  $Mg$  once only.

Award [1 max] if equations are at wrong electrodes.

Accept  $Mg$  (g).

## Examiners report

- a. [N/A]
- b. [N/A]
- c. [N/A]
- d. [N/A]
- e. [N/A]
- f. [N/A]
- g. [N/A]

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Phosphine (IUPAC name phosphane) is a hydride of phosphorus, with the formula  $PH_3$ .

- a. (i) Draw a Lewis (electron dot) structure of phosphine.

[6]

(ii) Outline whether you expect the bonds in phosphine to be polar or non-polar, giving a brief reason.

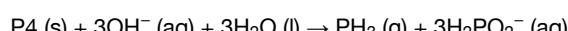
(iii) Explain why the phosphine molecule is not planar.

(iv) Phosphine has a much greater molar mass than ammonia. Explain why phosphine has a significantly lower boiling point than ammonia.

- b. Phosphine is usually prepared by heating white phosphorus, one of the allotropes of phosphorus, with concentrated aqueous sodium

[10]

hydroxide. The equation for the reaction is:



(i) Identify one other element that has allotropes and list **two** of its allotropes.

Element:

Allotrope 1:

Allotrope 2:

(ii) The first reagent is written as  $P_4$ , not  $4P$ . Describe the difference between  $P_4$  and  $4P$ .

(iii) The ion  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_2^-$  is amphiprotic. Outline what is meant by amphiprotic, giving the formulas of both species it is converted to when it behaves in this manner.

(iv) State the oxidation state of phosphorus in  $\text{P}_4$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_2^-$ .

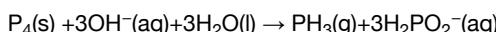
$\text{P}_4$ :

$\text{H}_2\text{PO}_2^-$ :

(v) Oxidation is now defined in terms of change of oxidation number. Explore how earlier definitions of oxidation and reduction may have led to conflicting answers for the conversion of  $\text{P}_4$  to  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_2^-$  and the way in which the use of oxidation numbers has resolved this.

c. 2.478 g of white phosphorus was used to make phosphine according to the equation:

[4]



(i) Calculate the amount, in mol, of white phosphorus used.

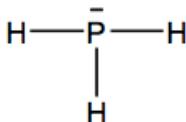
(ii) This phosphorus was reacted with 100.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of 5.00 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> aqueous sodium hydroxide. Deduce, showing your working, which was the limiting reagent.

(iii) Determine the excess amount, in mol, of the other reagent.

(iv) Determine the volume of phosphine, measured in cm<sup>3</sup> at standard temperature and pressure, that was produced.

## Markscheme

a. (i)



Accept structures using dots and/or crosses to indicate bonds and/or lone pair.

(ii)

non-polar **AND** P and H have the same electronegativity

Accept "similar electronegativities".

Accept "polar" if there is a reference to a small difference in electronegativity and apply **ECF** in 1 a (iv).

(iii)

4 electron domains/pairs/negative charge centres «around the central atom»

**OR**

a lone/non-bonding pair «and three bonding pairs around the central atom»

repulsion between electron domains/pairs/negative charge centres «produces non-planar shape»

**OR**

«repulsion causes» tetrahedral orientation/pyramidal shape

(iv)

$\text{PH}_3$  has London «dispersion» forces

$\text{NH}_3$  forms H-bonds

H-bonds are stronger

**OR**

London forces are weaker

Accept van der Waals' forces, dispersion forces and instantaneous dipole – induced dipole forces.

Accept "dipole-dipole forces" as molecule is polar.

H-bonds in  $\text{NH}_3$  (only) must be mentioned to score [2].

Do not award M2 or M3 if:

- implies covalent bond is the H-bond
- implies covalent bonds break.

Accept "dipole-dipole forces are weaker".

b. (i)

**Element**

carbon/C

**OR**

oxygen/O/O<sub>2</sub>

**Allotropes**

Award **[1]** for two of:

diamond

graphite

graphene

C<sub>60</sub> / buckminsterfullerene

**OR**

ozone/O<sub>3</sub> **AND** «diatomic/molecular» oxygen/O<sub>2</sub>

Accept **two** correctly named allotropes of any other named element (S, Se, Sn, As, etc.).

Accept fullerene, "buckyballs" etc. instead of buckminsterfullerene.

(ii)

P<sub>4</sub> is a molecule «comprising 4P atoms» **AND** 4P is four/separate «P» atoms

**OR**

P<sub>4</sub> represents «4P» atoms bonded together **AND** 4P represents «4» separate/non-bonded «P» atoms

(iii)

can act as both a «Brønsted–Lowry» acid and a «Brønsted–Lowry» base

**OR**

can accept and/or donate a hydrogen ion/proton/H<sup>+</sup>

HPO<sub>2</sub><sup>2-</sup> **AND** H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>2</sub>

(iv)

P<sub>4</sub> : 0

H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> : +1

*Do not accept 1 or 1+ for H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>.*

(v)

oxygen gained, so could be oxidation

hydrogen gained, so could be reduction

**OR**

negative charge «on product/H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> » /gain of electrons so could be reduction

oxidation number increases so must be oxidation

Award **[1 max]** for M1 and M2 if candidate displays knowledge of at least two of these definitions but does not apply them to the reaction.

*Do not award M3 for "oxidation number changes".*

c. (i)

$$\left\langle \frac{2.478}{4 \times 30.97} \right\rangle = 0.02000 \text{ mol}$$

(ii)

$n(\text{NaOH}) = 0.1000 \times 5.00 = 0.500 \text{ mol}$  AND P<sub>4</sub>/phosphorus is limiting reagent

$$\text{Accept } n(\text{H}_2\text{O}) = \frac{100}{18} = 5.50 \text{ AND P}_4 \text{ is limiting reagent.}$$

(iii)

amount in excess  $= 0.500 - (3 \times 0.02000) = 0.440 \text{ mol}$

(iv)

$$22.7 \times 1000 \times 0.02000 = 454 \text{ cm}^3$$

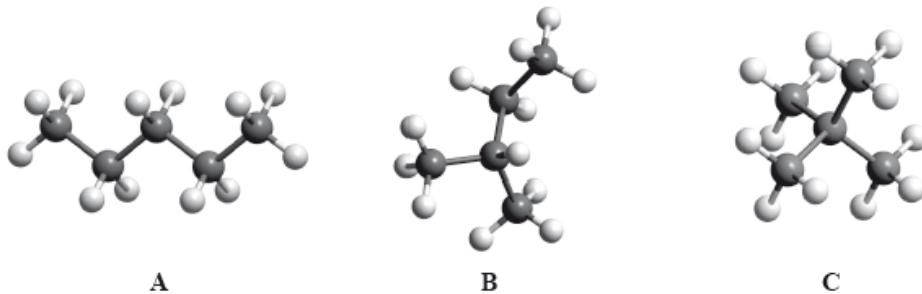
Accept methods employing  $pV = nRT$ , with  $p$  as either 100 (454 cm<sup>3</sup>) or 101.3 kPa (448 cm<sup>3</sup>).

Do not accept answers in dm<sup>3</sup>.

## Examiners report

- a. [N/A]
- b. [N/A]
- c. [N/A]

The boiling points of the isomers of pentane, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>12</sub>, shown are 10, 28 and 36 °C, but not necessarily in that order.



- a.i. Identify the boiling points for each of the isomers **A**, **B** and **C** and state a reason for your answer. [3]

Isomer	A	B	C
Boiling point			

- a.ii. State the IUPAC names of isomers **B** and **C**. [N/A]

**B:**

**C:**

- b. Both C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>12</sub> and C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub>OH can be used as fuels. Predict which compound would release a greater amount of heat per gram when it [3]

undergoes complete combustion. Suggest **two** reasons to support your prediction.

- c. In many cities around the world, public transport vehicles use diesel, a liquid hydrocarbon fuel, which often contains sulfur impurities and [3] undergoes incomplete combustion. All public transport vehicles in New Delhi, India, have been converted to use compressed natural gas (CNG) as fuel. Suggest **two** ways in which this improves air quality, giving a reason for your answer.

# Markscheme

Isomer	A	B	C
Boiling point	36 °C	28 °C	10 °C

*Award [1] if correct boiling points are assigned to 3 isomers.*

increase in branching / more side chains / more spherical shape / reduced surface contact / less closely packed;

weaker intermolecular force/van der Waals'/London/dispersion forces;

*Accept the opposite arguments*

a.ii.B: 2-methylbutane/methylbutane;

C: 2,2-dimethyl propane/dimethyl propane;

*Do not penalize missing commas, hyphens or added spaces.*

*Do not accept 2-dimethylpropane, or 2,2-methylpropane.*

b.  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_{12}$ ;

*Accept any two of the following explanations.*

$\text{C}_5\text{H}_{11}\text{OH}$  has greater molar mass / produces less grams of  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  per gram of the compound / suitable calculations to show this;

$\text{C}_5\text{H}_{11}\text{OH}$  contains an O atom which contributes nothing to the energy released / partially oxidized / OWTTE;

analogous compounds such as butane and butan-1-ol show a lower value for the alcohol per mole in the data book / OWTTE;

the total bond strength in the pentanol molecule is higher than the total bond strength in pentane;

the total amount of energy produced in bond formation of the products per mole is the same;

fewer moles of pentanol in 1 g;

pentanol requires more energy to break intermolecular forces/hydrogen bonding / OWTTE;

c. *Improvements [2]*

less/no particulates/C/CO/VOC's produced with CNG;

less/no  $\text{SO}_2/\text{SO}_x$  produced;

*Reasons [1 max]*

$\text{CO}/\text{SO}_2$  toxic/poisonous;

$\text{SO}_2$  causes acid rain;

CNG is likely to undergo complete/more combustion;

CNG has no/less sulfur impurities;

## Examiners report

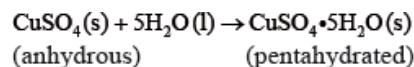
a.i. This question also featured on the G2 forms, as some teachers thought that the inclusion of Aim 8 type questions such as this would disadvantage candidates. However performance by the majority was very good. It should be noted that questions of this type will always be asked in future papers. In (a), most candidates correctly identified the boiling points although some reversed the order and a few had B with the highest boiling point. Explanations for this trend were not so well answered. Some candidates referred to breaking bonds in the carbon chain and several answers referred to the length of the carbon chain rather than the degree of branching.

a.ii. The IUPAC names were generally well known, with the most common errors being the use of "pent" instead of "prop" and the omission of one of the locants, or "di" in "2,2-dimethylpropane".

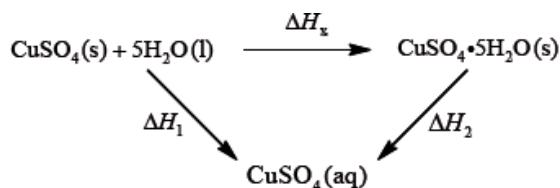
b. Many candidates scored 0 in part b) as they incorrectly suggested that pentan-1-ol would have a larger energy density than pentane. It is clear from the variety of wrong answers and reasons that candidates are not familiar with the ideas tested in this question. Many candidates referred to hydrogen bonds between molecules, as a reason for pentan-1-ol releasing more energy, only a few consulted their Data Booklet and made reference to this.

c. In c) there were 2 marks for improvements to air quality and 1 mark for a reason. Most candidates included the idea that there would be less carbon monoxide formed and that this was a poisonous gas. There were fewer references to oxides of sulfur, although many said that CNG has fewer S impurities rather than to say that less  $\text{SO}_2/\text{SO}_x$  is released, in this case as they had already scored their explanation mark they could not score for this and ended up with 2 marks out of 3. Some candidates did not centre their answer on what was being asked. Also, some candidates said that natural gas is a natural fuel while diesel is not, and that natural gas, when it burns does not produce carbon dioxide.

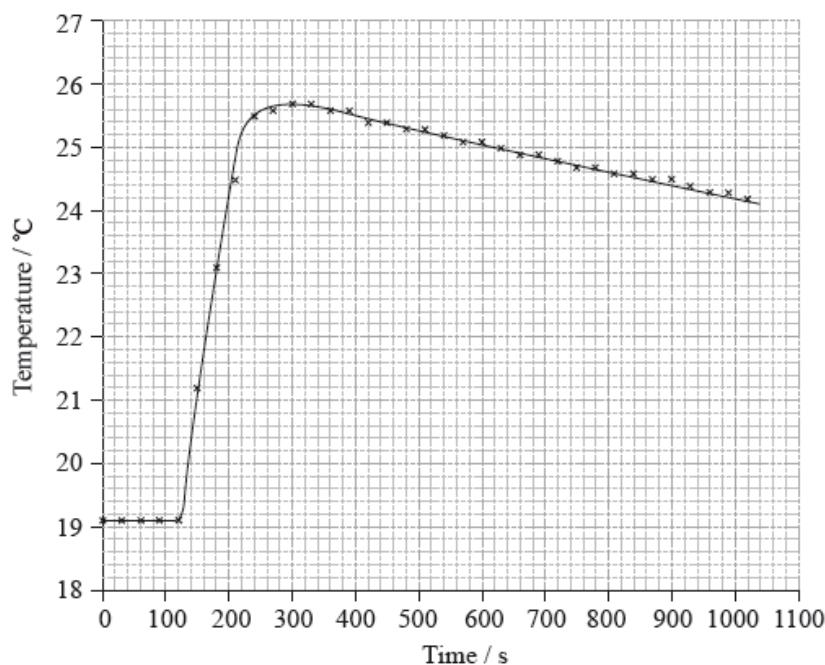
If white anhydrous copper(II) sulfate powder is left in the atmosphere it slowly absorbs water vapour giving the blue pentahydrated solid.



It is difficult to measure the enthalpy change for this reaction directly. However, it is possible to measure the heat changes directly when both anhydrous and pentahydrated copper(II) sulfate are separately dissolved in water, and then use an energy cycle to determine the required enthalpy change value,  $\Delta H_x$ , indirectly.



To determine  $\Delta H_1$  a student placed 50.0 g of water in a cup made of expanded polystyrene and used a data logger to measure the temperature. After two minutes she dissolved 3.99 g of anhydrous copper(II) sulfate in the water and continued to record the temperature while continuously stirring. She obtained the following results.



To determine  $\Delta H_2$ , 6.24 g of pentahydrated copper(II) sulfate was dissolved in 47.75 g of water. It was observed that the temperature of the solution decreased by 1.10 °C.

The magnitude (the value without the + or – sign) found in a data book for  $\Delta H_x$  is 78.0 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>.

- a.i.Calculate the amount, in mol, of anhydrous copper(II) sulfate dissolved in the 50.0 g of water. [1]
- a.ii.Determine what the temperature rise would have been, in °C, if no heat had been lost to the surroundings. [2]
- a.iiiCalculate the heat change, in kJ, when 3.99 g of anhydrous copper(II) sulfate is dissolved in the water. [2]
- a.ivDetermine the value of  $\Delta H_1$  in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>. [1]
- b.i.Calculate the amount, in mol, of water in 6.24 g of pentahydrated copper(II) sulfate. [2]
- b.iiDetermine the value of  $\Delta H_2$  in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>. [2]
- b.iiiUsing the values obtained for  $\Delta H_1$  in (a) (iv) and  $\Delta H_2$  in (b) (ii), determine the value for  $\Delta H_x$  in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>. [1]
- c.i.Calculate the percentage error obtained in this experiment. (If you did not obtain an answer for the experimental value of  $\Delta H_x$  then use the value 70.0 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>, but this is **not** the true value.) [1]
- c.ii.The student recorded in her qualitative data that the anhydrous copper(II) sulfate she used was pale blue rather than completely white. Suggest a reason why it might have had this pale blue colour and deduce how this would have affected the value she obtained for  $\Delta H_x$ . [2]

## Markscheme

a.i.amount =  $\frac{3.99}{159.61} = 0.0250$  (mol);

a.ii.26.1 (°C);

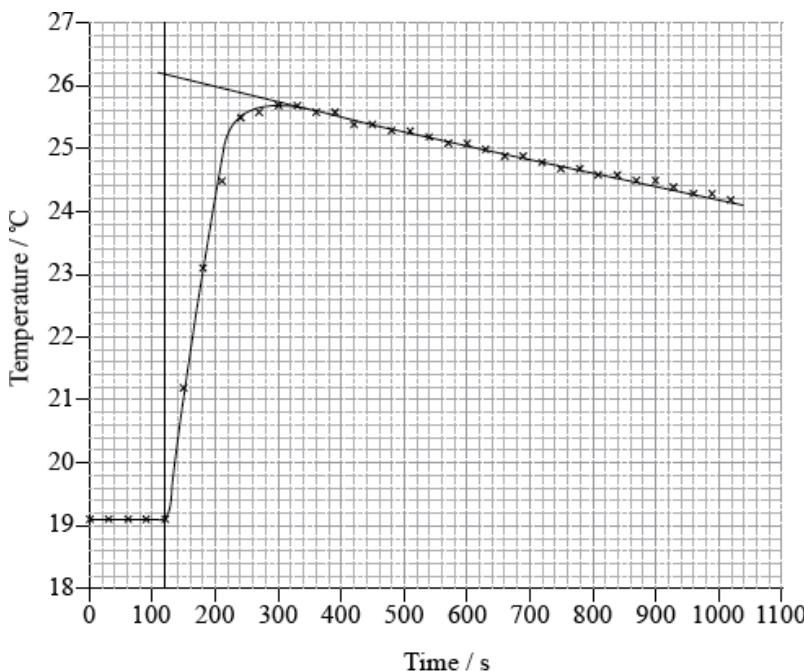
Accept answers between 26.0 and 26.2 ( °C).

temperature rise =  $26.1 - 19.1 = 7.0$  (°C);

Accept answers between 6.9 °C and (7.1 °C) .

Award [2] for the correct final answer.

No ECF if both initial and final temperatures incorrect.



a.iii heat change =  $\frac{50.0}{1000} \times 4.18 \times 7.0 / 50.0 \times 4.18 \times 7.0;$

Accept 53.99 instead of 50.0 for mass.

= 1.5 (kJ);

Allow 1.6 (kJ) if mass of 53.99 is used.

Ignore sign.

a.iv  $\Delta H_1 = \frac{1.5}{0.0250} = -60$  (kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>);

Value must be negative to award mark.

Accept answers in range -58.0 to -60.0.

Allow -63 (kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>) if 53.99 g is used in (iii).

b.i. (amount of CuSO<sub>4</sub> • 5H<sub>2</sub>O =  $\frac{6.24}{249.71} = 0.0250$  (mol));

(amount of H<sub>2</sub>O in 0.0250 mol of CuSO<sub>4</sub> • 5H<sub>2</sub>O =  $5 \times 0.0250 = 0.125$  (mol)).

b.ii. ( $50.0 \times 4.18 \times 1.10 = 230$  (J));

$\left( \frac{229.9}{1000 \times 0.0250} = \right) + 9.20$  (kJ);

Accept mass of 47.75 or 53.99 instead of 50.00 giving answers of +8.78 or +9.9.

Do not penalize missing + sign but penalize - sign unless charge already penalized in (a) (iv).

b.iii ( $\Delta H_x = \Delta H_2 - \Delta H_1 = -58.4 - (+9.20) = -67.6$  (kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>))

c.i.  $\frac{[-78.0 - (-67.6)]}{-78.0} \times 100 = 13.3\%$ ;

If 70.0 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> is used accept 10.3%.

c.ii. the anhydrous copper(II) sulfate had already absorbed some water from the air / OWTTE;

the value would be less exothermic/less negative than expected as the temperature increase would be lower / less heat will be evolved when the anhydrous salt is dissolved in water / OWTTE;

Do not accept less without a reason.

## Examiners report

a.i. Question 1 was a generally difficult question for candidates, but most students did pick up marks thanks to the application of error carried forward (ecf). In part (a) students could usually calculate the moles of anhydrous copper sulphate.

a.ii. Very few candidates could correctly extrapolate the graph to calculate a temperature rise of 7.0 °C.

a.iii. Calculating using  $q = mc\Delta T$  also caused problems as many students used the mass of the copper sulphate instead of the mass of water, and some also added 273 to the temperature change. Many candidates also forgot to convert to kJ.

a.iv. The last part of this question required the calculation of  $\Delta H$ , here many students forgot the – symbol to indicate it was exothermic and so did not gain the mark.

b.i. In part (b) the problems were similar as students used incorrect values in their calculation but were able to obtain some marks by error carried forward.

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c.i. In part (c) many could calculate the % error and apply Hess's law to calculate  $\Delta H$ . Throughout this question there were numerous instances of students using an incorrect number of significant figures and this led to another mark being lost.

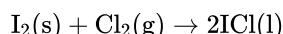
c.ii. [N/A]

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Two groups of students (Group A and Group B) carried out a project\* on the chemistry of some group 7 elements (the halogens) and their compounds.

\* Adapted from J Derek Woollins, (2009), *Inorganic Experiments and Open University*, (2008), *Exploring the Molecular World*.

In the first part of the project, the two groups had a sample of iodine monochloride (a corrosive brown liquid) prepared for them by their teacher using the following reaction.



The following data were recorded.

Mass of $I_2(s)$	10.00 g
Mass of $Cl_2(g)$	2.24 g
Mass of $ICl(l)$ obtained	8.60 g

The students reacted  $ICl(l)$  with  $CsBr(s)$  to form a yellow solid,  $CsICl_2(s)$ , as one of the products.  $CsICl_2(s)$  has been found to produce very pure  $CsCl(s)$  which is used in cancer treatment.

To confirm the composition of the yellow solid, Group A determined the amount of iodine in 0.2015 g of  $CsICl_2(s)$  by titrating it with 0.0500 mol  $dm^{-3}$   $Na_2S_2O_3(aq)$ . The following data were recorded for the titration.

Mass of $\text{CsCl}_2(\text{s})$ taken (in g $\pm 0.0001$ )	0.2015
Initial burette reading of 0.0500 mol $\text{dm}^{-3}$ $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ (aq) (in $\text{cm}^3 \pm 0.05$ )	1.05
Final burette reading of 0.0500 mol $\text{dm}^{-3}$ $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ (aq) (in $\text{cm}^3 \pm 0.05$ )	25.25

- a. (i) State the number of significant figures for the masses of  $\text{I}_2(\text{s})$  and  $\text{ICl}(\text{l})$ .

[6]

$\text{I}_2(\text{s})$ :

$\text{ICl}(\text{l})$ :

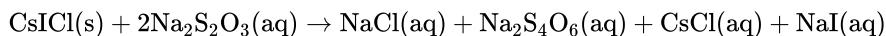
- (ii) The iodine used in the reaction was in excess. Determine the theoretical yield, in g, of  $\text{ICl}(\text{l})$ .
- (iii) Calculate the percentage yield of  $\text{ICl}(\text{l})$ .
- (iv) Using a digital thermometer, the students discovered that the reaction was exothermic. State the sign of the enthalpy change of the reaction,  $\Delta H$ .

- b. Although the molar masses of  $\text{ICl}$  and  $\text{Br}_2$  are very similar, the boiling point of  $\text{ICl}$  is 97.4 °C and that of  $\text{Br}_2$  is 58.8 °C. Explain the difference in [2] these boiling points in terms of the intermolecular forces present in each liquid.

- c. (i) Calculate the percentage of iodine by mass in  $\text{CsCl}_2(\text{s})$ , correct to **three** significant figures.

[6]

- (ii) State the volume, in  $\text{cm}^3$ , of 0.0500 mol  $\text{dm}^{-3}$   $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$  (aq) used in the titration.
- (iii) Determine the amount, in mol, of 0.0500 mol  $\text{dm}^{-3}$   $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$  (aq) added in the titration.
- (iv) The overall reaction taking place during the titration is:



Calculate the amount, in mol, of iodine atoms, I, present in the sample of  $\text{CsCl}_2(\text{s})$ .

- (v) Calculate the mass of iodine, in g, present in the sample of  $\text{CsCl}_2$
- (vi) Determine the percentage by mass of iodine in the sample of  $\text{CsCl}_2(\text{s})$ , correct to **three** significant figures, using your answer from (v).

## Markscheme

- a. (i)  $\text{I}_2(\text{s})$ : four/4 and  $\text{ICl}(\text{l})$ : three/3;

(ii)  $n(\text{Cl}_2) = \left( \frac{2.24}{2 \times 35.45} \right) = 0.0316 / 3.16 \times 10^{-2}$  (mol);

Allow answers such as  $3.2 \times 10^{-2} / 0.032 / 3.15 \times 10^{-2} / 0.0315$  (mol).

$n(\text{ICl}) = 2 \times 0.0316 / 0.0632 / 6.32 \times 10^{-2}$  (mol);

Allow answers such as  $6.4 \times 10^{-2} / 0.064 / 6.3 \times 10^{-2} / 0.063$  (mol).

$m(\text{ICl}) = (0.0632 \times 162.35) = 10.3$  (g);

Allow answers in range 10.2 to 10.4 (g).

Award [3] for correct final answer.

(iii)  $\left( \frac{8.60}{10.3} \times 100 \right) = 83.5\%$ ;

Allow answers in the range of 82.5 to 84.5%.

(iv) negative/-/minus/ < 0;

b. Br<sub>2</sub> has London/dispersion/van der Waals' forces/vdW **and** ICl has (London/dispersion/van der Waals' forces/vdW and) dipole-dipole forces;

dipole-dipole forces are stronger than London/dispersion/van der Waals'/vdW forces;

Allow induced dipole-induced dipole forces for London forces.

Allow interactions instead of forces.

Do not allow ICl polar and Br<sub>2</sub> non-polar for M1.

Name of IMF in both molecules is required for M1 and idea of dipole-dipole stronger than vdW is required for M2.

c. (i)  $\left( \frac{126.90}{330.71} \times 100 \right) = 38.4\%$ ;

(ii)  $(25.25 - 1.05) = 24.20 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)}$ ;

Accept 24.2 (cm<sup>3</sup>) but not 24 (cm<sup>3</sup>).

(iii)  $\left( \frac{24.20 \times 5.00 \times 10^{-2}}{1000} \right) = 1.21 \times 10^{-3}/0.00121 \text{ (mol)}$ ;

(iv)  $(0.5 \times 1.21 \times 10^{-3}) = 6.05 \times 10^{-4}/0.000605 \text{ (mol)}$ ;

Accept alternate method e.g.  $(0.384/126.9 \times 0.2015) = 6.10 \times 10^{-4}/0.000610 \text{ (mol)}$ .

(v)  $(126.90 \times 6.05 \times 10^{-4}) = 7.68 \times 10^{-2}/0.0768 \text{ (g)}$ ;

Accept alternate method e.g.  $(6.10 \times 10^{-4} \times 126.9) \text{ or } (0.2015 \times 0.384) = 7.74 \times 10^{-2}/0.00774 \text{ (g)}$ .

(vi)  $\left( \frac{7.68 \times 10^{-2}}{0.2015} \times 100 \right) = 38.1\%$ ;

Answer must be given to three significant figures.

## Examiners report

- a. This was a data based question based on quantitative chemistry. Majority of candidates were able to gain almost full marks with some candidates failing to recognise that chlorine is the limiting reagent in part (a) (ii). Some candidates calculated percentage experimental error instead of percentage yield whereas some other candidates did not pay attention to significant digits.
- b. In part (b), explaining the difference in the boiling points of Br<sub>2</sub> and ICl in terms of the intermolecular forces presented a challenge to many candidates. Explanations were vague or unclear and in some cases incorrect in terms of the intermolecular forces present.
- c. In part (c), calculations of moles of iodine occasionally saw the erroneous use of Avogadro's constant.

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Ethene belongs to the homologous series of the alkenes.

A bromoalkane, C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>Br, reacts with a warm, aqueous sodium hydroxide solution, NaOH.

The time taken to produce a certain amount of product using different initial concentrations of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>Br and NaOH is measured. The results are shown in the following table.

Reaction	$[C_4H_9Br] / 10^{-2} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$	$[NaOH] / 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$	$t / s$
A	1.0	2.0	46
B	2.0	2.0	23
C	2.0	4.0	23

a.i. Outline **three** features of a homologous series.

[3]

a.ii. Describe a test to distinguish ethene from ethane, including what is observed in **each** case.

[2]

a.iii. Bromoethane can be produced either from ethene or from ethane. State an equation for **each** reaction.

[2]

b.i. State the equation for the reaction of  $C_4H_9Br$  with  $NaOH$ .

[1]

b.ii. Suggest what would happen to the pH of the solution as the reaction proceeds.

[1]

c.i. Deduce the effect of the concentration of  $C_4H_9Br$  and  $NaOH$  on the rate of reaction.

[2]

$C_4H_9Br$ :

$NaOH$ :

c.ii. Suggest why **warm** sodium hydroxide solution is used.

[1]

c.iii. Deduce whether  $C_4H_9Br$  is a primary or tertiary halogenoalkane.

[2]

c.iv. Determine the structural formula of  $C_4H_9Br$ .

[1]

c.v. Describe, using an equation, how  $C_4H_9Br$  can be converted into  $C_4H_8Br_2$ .

[1]

d. Explain the mechanism for the reaction in (c) of  $C_4H_9Br$  with  $NaOH$ , using curly arrows to represent the movement of electron pairs.

[4]

## Markscheme

a.i. same functional group / same general formula;

difference between successive members is  $CH_2$ ;

similar chemical properties;

*Do not accept "same" chemical properties.*

gradually changing physical properties;

a.ii.adding bromine (water);

*ethene:* brown/orange to colourless / decolourizes bromine water **and**

*ethane:* does not change colour;

**OR**

adding acidified potassium permanganate solution/ $KMnO_4(aq)$ ;

*ethene:* purple to colourless/brown **and**

*ethane:* does not change colour;

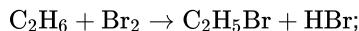
**OR**

adding Baeyer's reagent;

**ethene:** purple/pink to brown **and**

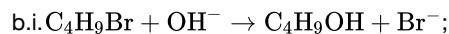
**ethane:** does not change colour;

*Do not accept "clear" or "transparent" for "colourless".*



*Accept structural formulas.*

*Penalise missing H atoms or incorrect bonds (such as C-HO, C-H<sub>2</sub>C) in structural formulas only once in the paper.*



*Accept NaOH in the equation.*

b.ii. decreases;

c.i.  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{Br}$ :

[ $\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{Br}$ ] doubles **and** time halves/rate doubles / rate proportional to [ $\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{Br}$ ];

*Do not accept rate increases when [ $\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{Br}$ ] increases.*

$\text{NaOH}$ :

[ $\text{NaOH}$ ] doubles **and** time/rate does not change / rate independent of [ $\text{NaOH}$ ];

c.ii. increases rate;

*Accept increases number of collisions.*

c.ii. rate depends on [ $\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{Br}$ ] only / rate does not depend on [ $\text{OH}^-$ ] / S<sub>N</sub>1 reaction /

first order reaction / if it was primary, reaction would be S<sub>N</sub>2;

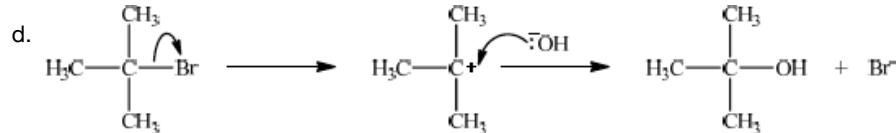
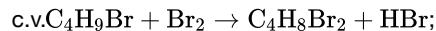
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*Accept ECF.*

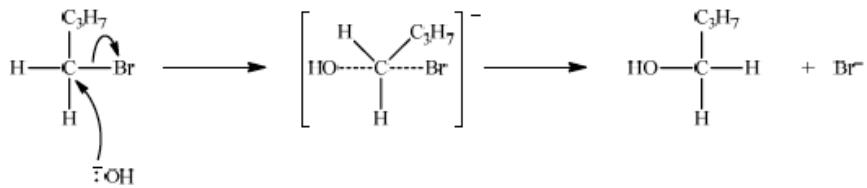
c.iv.  $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{CBr}$ ;

*Allow both condensed and full structural formula.*

*Accept ECF.*



*If primary halogenoalkane has been answered in (c)(iii) apply ECF for the mechanism:*



curly arrow going from lone pair/negative charge on O in  $\text{^-OH}$  to C;

*Do not allow curly arrow originating on H in  $\text{^-OH}$ .*

curly arrow showing  $\text{Br}^-$  leaving;

*Accept curly arrow either going from bond between C and Br to Br in bromobutane or in the transition state.*

representation of transition state showing negative charge, square brackets and partial bond;

*Do not penalize if HO and Br are not at 180° to each other.*

*Do not award M3 if OH—C bond is represented.*

formation of organic product  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{OH}$  **and**  $\text{Br}^-$ ;

*Accept Br- anywhere on product side in the reaction scheme.*

## Examiners report

a.i. Students had surprisingly difficulties to name the features of a homologous series. Common mistakes were to say SAME chemical or physical properties or same empirical/molecular/structural formula.

a.ii. Most candidates did well describing the test to distinguish alkanes and alkenes.

a.iii. The formation of dibromobutane was a common error.

b.i. The equation for the reaction of the  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{Br}$  with  $\text{NaOH}$  presented no problem.

b.ii. Some did not realize that pH decreases as  $\text{NaOH}$  is reacting, often referring as the pH would become more neutral.

c.i. Candidates could deduce that the concentration of  $\text{NaOH}$  does not affect the rate, but could not accurately explain and quantify the relationship between the concentration of  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{Br}$  and the rate of reaction. Time and rate were often confused.

c.ii. This was well answered.

c.iii. Very few candidates could relate rate information to deduce that  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{Br}$  was tertiary.

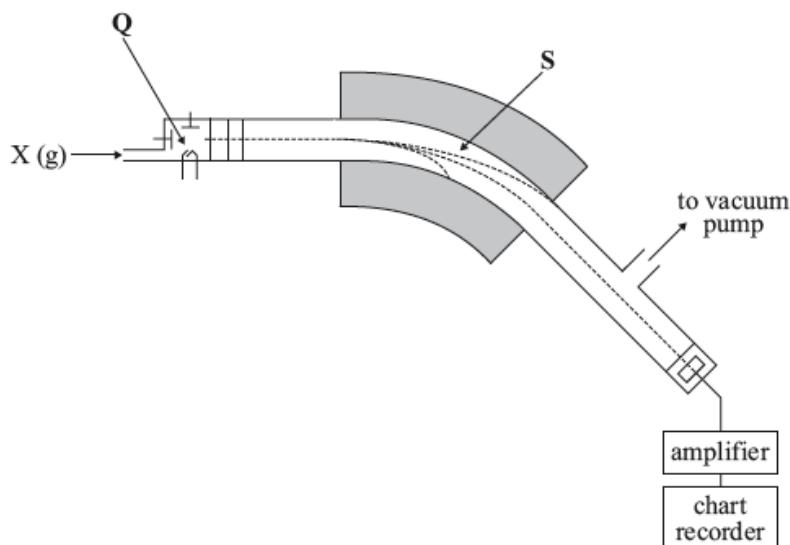
c.iv. The structural formula was generally gained by ECF.

c.v. Students did not have problems with the equation.

d. Mechanism with curly arrows was done very poorly, students confused  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}1$  and  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$  mechanisms, drew arrows that did not show clearly origin and end or did not draw any arrow at all.

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Magnesium has three stable isotopes,  $^{24}\text{Mg}$ ,  $^{25}\text{Mg}$  and  $^{26}\text{Mg}$ . The relative abundance of each isotope is 78.99%, 10.00% and 11.01% respectively, and can be determined using a mass spectrometer.



- (i) Define the term *relative atomic mass*.
- (ii) Calculate, showing your working, the relative atomic mass,  $A_r$ , of magnesium, giving your answer to **two** decimal places.

## Markscheme

(i) ratio of average/mean mass of atom to  $\frac{1}{12}$  of mass of C-12 (isotope) / average/mean mass of atom on scale where one atom of C-12 has mass of 12 / weighted average/mean mass of isotopes of element compared to  $\frac{1}{12}$  of mass of C-12 / OWTTE;

*Award no mark if “element” is used instead of “atom” in first two alternatives.*

*Allow “mass of an atom relative to the mass of  $\frac{1}{12}$  of C-12”.*

(ii)  $(A_r =) 0.7899 \times 24 + 0.1000 \times 25 + 0.1101 \times 26;$

24.32;

*Award [2] for correct final answer.*

*Award [1 max] for 24.31 with correct working.*

*Award [0] for 24.31 (Data Booklet value) if working is incorrect or no working is shown.*

*Final answer must be to 2 decimal places to score [2].*

## Examiners report

In 2(a) the processes in the spectrometer were generally well described although many candidates did not mention that positive ions are formed.

Relative atomic mass was defined poorly in (b)(i) but the atomic mass was generally calculated correctly. Most candidates gave their answers to the required two decimal places. Even though relative atomic mass was asked for, most candidates stated units for  $A_r$ .

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Both sodium and sodium chloride can conduct electricity.

a. Compare how electric current passes through sodium and sodium chloride by completing the table below.

[3]

	Sodium	Sodium chloride
State of matter	.....	.....
Particles that conduct the current	.....	.....
Reaction occurring	.....	.....

b. Sodium can be obtained by electrolysis from molten sodium chloride. Describe, using a diagram, the essential components of this electrolytic cell.

## Markscheme

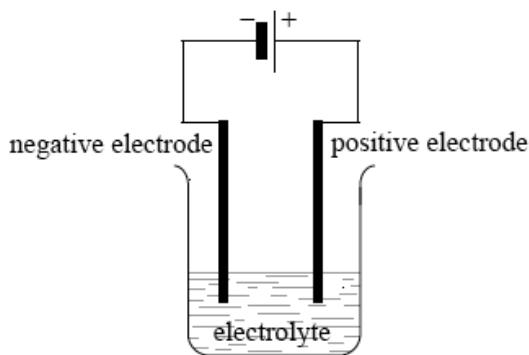
a.

	Sodium	Sodium chloride
State of matter	solid (and liquid)	liquid / aqueous/solution
Particles that conduct the current	electrons	ions
Reaction occurring	no reaction occurs	(redox) reaction occurs / electrolysis

Award [1] for each feature that is correct for both sodium **and** sodium chloride.

Accept equation or half-equations for the reaction of sodium chloride in "reaction occurring".

b.



clear diagram containing all elements (power supply, connecting wires, electrodes, container and electrolyte);

labelled positive electrode/anode **and** negative electrode/cathode;

Accept positive and negative by correct symbols near power supply.

Accept power supply if shown as conventional long/short lines (as in diagram above) or clearly labelled DC power supply.

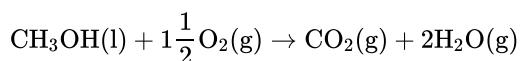
labelled electrolyte/NaCl(l);

*State of NaCl not needed.*

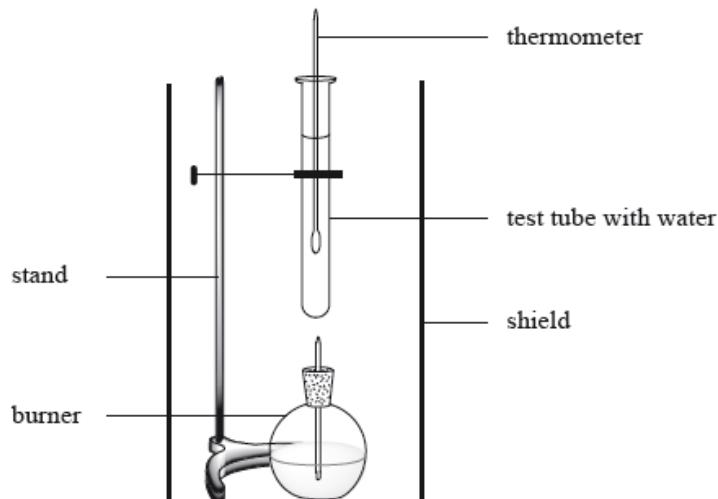
## Examiners report

- a. Very poorly answered. The state of matter received most marks, conducting particles seldom correct and reaction occurring generally misunderstood by candidates.
- b. Diagrams were very poorly drawn, many without power supplies and the wires within the electrolyte. The electrodes were often mis-signed as Na and/or Cl. Many candidates seem to confuse voltaic cells with electrolytic cells.

Methanol is made in large quantities as it is used in the production of polymers and in fuels. The enthalpy of combustion of methanol can be determined theoretically or experimentally.



The enthalpy of combustion of methanol can also be determined experimentally in a school laboratory. A burner containing methanol was weighed and used to heat water in a test tube as illustrated below.



The following data were collected.

Initial mass of burner and methanol / g	80.557
Final mass of burner and methanol / g	80.034
Mass of water in test tube / g	20.000
Initial temperature of water / °C	21.5
Final temperature of water / °C	26.4

The Data Booklet value for the enthalpy of combustion of methanol is  $-726 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ . Suggest why this value differs from the values calculated in parts (a) and (b).

- a. Using the information from Table 10 of the Data Booklet, determine the theoretical enthalpy of combustion of methanol. [3]
- b.i. Calculate the amount, in mol, of methanol burned. [2]

b.ii.Calculate the heat absorbed, in kJ, by the water.

[3]

b.iiiDetermine the enthalpy change, in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ , for the combustion of 1 mole of methanol.

[2]

c.i.Part (a)

[1]

c.ii.Part (b)

[1]

## Markscheme

a. amount of energy required to break bonds of reactants

$$3 \times 413 + 358 + 464 + 1.5 \times 498 (\text{kJ mol}^{-1})/2808 (\text{kJ mol}^{-1});$$

amount of energy released during bond formation of products

$$4 \times 464 + 2 \times 746 (\text{kJ mol}^{-1})/3348 (\text{kJ mol}^{-1});$$

$$\Delta H = -540 (\text{kJ mol}^{-1});$$

Award [3] for correct final answer.

Award [2] for (+)540.

If old Data Booklet is used accept answer:  $-535 (\text{kJ mol}^{-1})$  or award [2] for (+)535.

b.i. $m(\text{methanol}) = (80.557 - 80.034) = 0.523 (\text{g})$ ;

$$n(\text{methanol}) = \left( \frac{0.523 \text{ g}}{32.05 \text{ g mol}^{-1}} \right) = 0.0163 (\text{mol});$$

Award [2] for correct final answer.

b.ii. $\Delta T = (26.4 - 21.5) = 4.9 (\text{K})$ ;

$$q = (mc\Delta T) = 20.000 \times 4.18 \times 4.9 (\text{J})/20.000 \times 4.18 \times 4.9 \times 10^{-3} (\text{kJ});$$

$$0.41 (\text{kJ});$$

Award [3] for correct final answer.

$$\text{b.iii} \Delta H_c^\ominus = -\frac{0.41 (\text{kJ})}{0.0163 (\text{mol})}/ - 25153 (\text{J mol}^{-1});$$

$$= -25 (\text{kJ mol}^{-1});$$

Award [2] for correct final answer.

Award [1] for (+)25 ( $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ ).

c.i.bond enthalpies are average values/differ (slightly) from one compound to another (depending on the neighbouring atoms) / methanol is liquid not gas in the reaction;

c.ii.not all heat produced transferred to water / heat lost to surroundings/environment / OWTTE / incomplete combustion (of methanol) / water forms as  $\text{H}_2\text{O(l)}$  instead of  $\text{H}_2\text{O(g)}$ ;

*Do not allow just "heat lost".*

## Examiners report

a. Many errors were seen in part (a). Candidates used the wrong values from the Data Booklet, wrong coefficients were used and not all the correct bonds were selected. Some candidates also reversed the final calculation to get an endothermic enthalpy rather than an exothermic enthalpy or made careless arithmetic errors.

b.i.Candidates were proficient at correctly calculating the number of mole methanol burnt.

b.ii.Candidates did not use the expression  $q = mc\Delta T$  well.

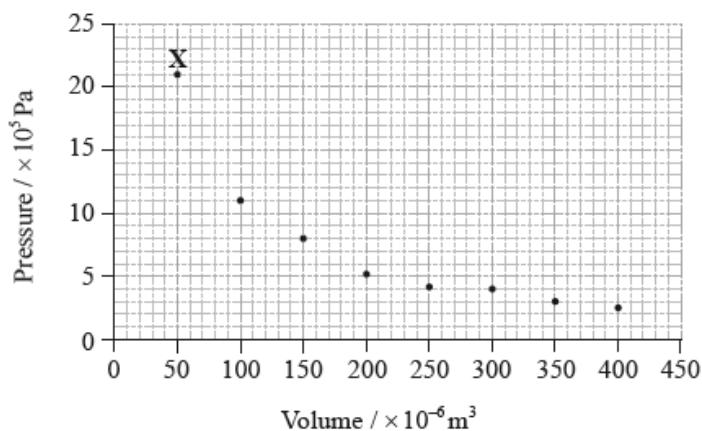
b.iii Again numerous errors were seen here with candidates using the mass of methanol rather than water, adding 273 to the temperature change calculated and not converting J to kJ. Some candidates did not recognise that the combustion of methanol is exothermic and hence did not include the negative sign for the enthalpy change.

c.i. Part (c) was generally well done, however candidates often just stated that ‘heat was lost’ in part (ii). A more detail response was expected, e.g.  
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The graph below shows pressure and volume data collected for a sample of carbon dioxide gas at 330 K.



a. Draw a best-fit curve for the data on the graph.

[1]

b. Deduce the relationship between the pressure and volume of the sample of carbon dioxide gas.

[1]

c. Use the data point labelled X to determine the amount, in mol, of carbon dioxide gas in the sample.

[3]

## Markscheme

a. smooth curve through the data;

*Do not accept a curve that passes through all of the points or an answer that joins the points using lines.*

b. inversely proportional /  $V \propto \frac{1}{P}$  /  $P \propto \frac{1}{V}$  ;

*Accept inverse/negative correlation/relationship.*

*Do not accept  $V = \frac{1}{P}$  or descriptions like “one goes up as other goes down” / OWTTE.*

- c.  $p = 21 \times 10^5 / 2.1 \times 10^6$  (Pa) /  $2.1 \times 10^3$  (kPa) **and**

$$V = 50 \times 10^{-6} / 5.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ (m}^3\text{)} / 5.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ (dm}^3\text{)};$$

$$\left( n = \frac{pV}{RT} \right) = \frac{2.1 \times 10^6 \times 5.0 \times 10^{-5}}{8.31 \times 330};$$

$$n = 0.038 \text{ (mol);}$$

*Award [3] for correct final answer.*

*For M3 apply ECF for correct computation of the equation the student has written, unless more than one mistake is made prior this point.*

## Examiners report

- a. Almost all candidates gained the mark for drawing a best-fit curve through the data points on the graph, though some insisted in trying to put a straight line through obviously non-linear data. Many students identified the inverse proportionality of pressure and volume in Part (b), though the terminology often lacked precision. Most students could identify the correct equation to use in Part (c) in order to calculate the amount of gas from the specified data point, though quite often they had problems with units, either as a result of incorrectly reading the axis on the graph or as a result of conversion.
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The element antimony, Sb, is usually found in nature as its sulfide ore, stibnite,  $Sb_2S_3$ . This ore was used two thousand years ago by ancient Egyptian women as a cosmetic to darken their eyes and eyelashes.

One method of extracting antimony from its sulfide ore is to roast the stibnite in air. This forms antimony oxide and sulfur dioxide. The antimony oxide is then reduced by carbon to form the free element.

a.i. Deduce the oxidation number of antimony in stibnite. [1]

a.ii. Deduce **one** other common oxidation number exhibited by antimony in some of its compounds. [1]

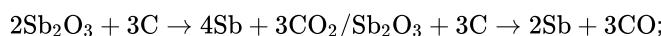
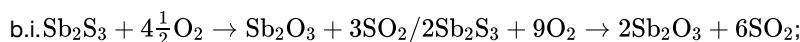
# Markscheme

a.i.+3;

*Do not accept 3, 3+ or the use of Roman numerals.*

a.ii.+5 / -3;

*Penalize incorrect format **only** if not penalized in (a)(i).*



*Ignore state symbols.*

# Examiners report

a.i.This question proved difficult to candidates as the antimony was unfamiliar to them. However they were expected to just apply what they already knew about other members of the group such as nitrogen and phosphorous. Those that could calculate the oxidation state of antimony in stibnite often forgot to add the + charge.

a.ii.[N/A]

b.i.Writing the chemical equations proved difficult for candidates but again many picked up 1 out of 2 marks as ecf was applied.

Ethanol has many industrial uses.

a. (i) State an equation for the formation of ethanol from ethene and the necessary reaction conditions. [4]

Equation:

Conditions:

(ii) Deduce the volume of ethanol, in  $\text{dm}^3$ , produced from  $1.5 \text{ dm}^3$  of ethene, assuming both are gaseous and at the same temperature and pressure.

b.i.Define the term *average bond enthalpy*. [2]

b.ii.Ethanol can be used as a fuel. Determine the enthalpy of combustion of ethanol at 298 K, in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ , using the values in table 10 of the data booklet, assuming all reactants and products are gaseous. [4]

b.iii.Suggest why the value of the enthalpy of combustion of ethanol quoted in table 12 of the data booklet is different to that calculated using bond enthalpies. [1]

b.iv Explain why the reaction is exothermic in terms of the bonds involved.

[1]

c. Identify the homologous series to which ethanol belongs and state **two** features of a homologous series.

[3]

## Markscheme

a. (i) *Equation:*



*Conditions:*

(concentrated) sulfuric acid/ $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ ;

*Do not accept dilute sulfuric acid.*

*Accept phosphoric acid/ $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$  (on pellets of silicon dioxide) (for industrial preparation).*

heat / high temperature;

*Do not accept warm.*

*Accept high pressure (for industrial preparation) for M3 only if  $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$  is given for M2.*

(ii) 1.5 ( $\text{dm}^3$ );

b.i. energy needed to break (1 mol of) a bond in the gaseous state/phase;

(averaged over) similar compounds;

*Do not accept "similar bonds" instead of "similar compounds".*

*Concept of "similar" is important for M2.*

b.ii.  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + 3\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{CO}_2 + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ;

*Bonds broken:*

$$347 + (5 \times 413) + 358 + 464 + (3 \times 498) / 4728 \text{ (kJ)}/$$

C–C + 5C–H + C–O + O–H + 3O=O;

*Bonds made:*

$$(4 \times 746) + (6 \times 464) / 5768 \text{ (kJ)}/ \quad 4\text{C}=\text{O} + 6\text{O}–\text{H};$$

$$\Delta H = (4728 - 5768) - 1040 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{) / bonds broken - bonds formed;}$$

*Award [4] for correct final answer.*

*Award [3] for (+)1040 (kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>).*

b.iii. ethanol and water are liquids / not all molecules are gaseous / in enthalpy of combustion molecules are in their standard states / bond enthalpies

are average values;

*Do not accept answer "ethanol/water is a liquid" alone.*

b.iv. less energy required to break bonds in reactants than is released when the bonds in products form / bonds stronger (overall) in products/weaker

(overall) in reactants;

c. alcohols / alkanols;

*Any two of the following for [2 max]:*

differ by  $\text{CH}_2$ /methylene (unit);

similar chemical properties;

gradually changing physical properties;

same general formula;

same functional group;

*Do not accept "same" instead of "similar", or vice-versa.*

## Examiners report

a. This was not a popular question with few candidates choosing it. Some who chose it did very well but most scored poorly. Students needed to write an equation for the hydration of ethene which was generally answered well and then state the conditions, which were less well known.

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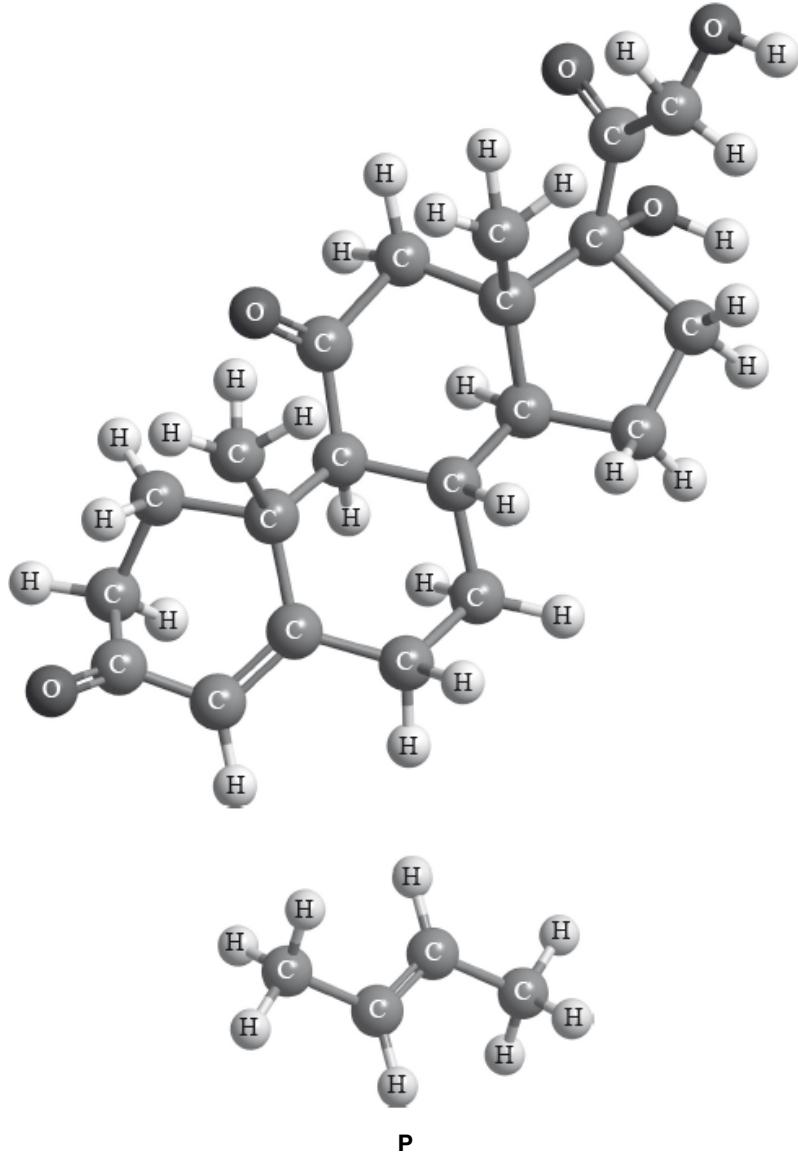
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Cortisone is a therapeutic drug whose three-dimensional structure is represented below.



Menthol can be used in cough medicines. The compound contains 76.84% C, 12.92% H and 10.24% O by mass.

a.i. Identify the names of **two** functional groups present in cortisone.

[2]

1.

2.

a.ii. Draw a circle around each of these **two** functional groups in the structure above and label them 1 and 2 as identified in (a) (i).

[1]

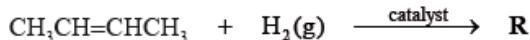
b. Describe what is meant by the term *structural isomers*. [1]

c.i. Apply IUPAC rules to state the name of **P**. [1]

c.ii. **X** is a straight-chain structural isomer of **P**. Draw the structure of **X**. [1]



**Q:**



**R:**

c.iv Identify a suitable catalyst used in the reaction to form **R**. [1]

c.v **P**,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_3$ , reacts with  $\text{HBr}$  to form  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHBrCH}_2\text{CH}_3$ . Suggest **one** suitable mechanism for the reaction of  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHBrCH}_2\text{CH}_3$  with aqueous sodium hydroxide, using curly arrows to represent the movement of electron pairs. [4]

c.vi State the structural formula of the organic product formed, **S**, when **Q** is heated under reflux with acidified potassium dichromate(VI). [1]

c.vii Apply IUPAC rules to state the name of this product, **S**. [1]

c.viii **P** can undergo a polymerization reaction. Draw **two** repeating units of the resulting polymer. [1]

d.i. Determine its empirical formula. [3]

d.ii. Determine its molecular formula given that its molar mass is  $M = 156.30 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$ . [1]

## Markscheme

a.i. alkene;

alcohol;

*Allow hydroxyl (group) but not hydroxide.*

ketone;

*Accept carbonyl.*

a.ii. correctly drawn circle around each of the two functional groups and labelled

1 and 2;

*Mark can be scored for (ii) without labels (1 and 2) only if no answer is given in (i).*

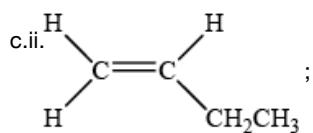
*Apply ECF from (incorrect) functional groups in (i).*

b. compounds with same molecular formula but different arrangements of atoms;

*Allow compounds with same molecular formula but different structural formulas.*

c.i. but-2-ene;

Allow 2-butene.



c.iii Q:  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$  ;

R:  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ;

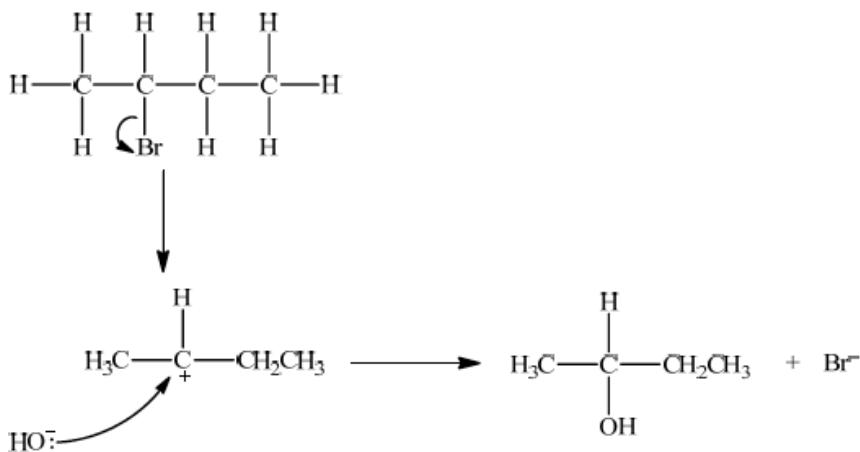
Condensed or full structural formulas may be given.

c.iv platinum / palladium / nickel;

Allow Pt / Pd / Ni.

c.v Since secondary bromoalkane could be either  $S_N1$  and  $S_N2$  so allow  $S_N1$  or  $S_N2$  for M1 -M4.

$S_N1$ :



curly arrow showing Br leaving;

Do not allow arrow originating from C to C-Br bond.

representation of secondary carbocation;

curly arrow going from lone pair/negative charge on O in  $\text{HO}^-$  to  $\text{C}^+$ ;

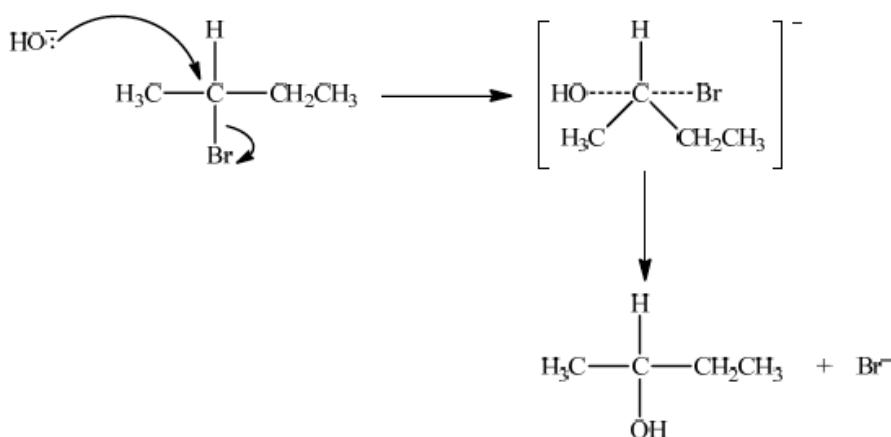
Do not allow arrow originating on H in  $\text{OH}^-$ .

formation of  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$  and  $\text{Br}^-$ ;

Allow formation of  $\text{NaBr}$  instead of  $\text{Br}^-$ .

OR

$S_N2$ :



curly arrow going from lone pair/negative charge on O in  $\text{HO}^-$  to C;

*Do not allow curly arrow originating on H in  $\text{OH}^-$ .*

curly arrow showing Br leaving;

*Accept curly arrow either going from bond between C and Br to Br in 2-bromobutane or in the transition state.*

*Do not allow arrow originating from C to C – Br bond.*

representation of transition state showing negative charge, square brackets and partial bonds;

*Do not penalize if HO and Br are not at 180° to each other.*

*Do not award M3 if OH–C bond is represented.*

formation of  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$  **and**  $\text{Br}^-$ ;

*Allow formation of  $\text{NaBr}$  instead of  $\text{Br}^-$ .*

c.vii  $\text{H}_3\text{CCOCH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ;

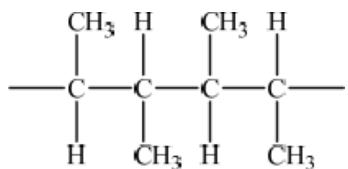
*Condensed or full structural formula may be given.*

*Apply ECF from (c)(iii).*

c.viii butan-2-one;

*Allow 2-butanone or butanone.*

c.ix representation of polymer showing two repeating units;



*Brackets not necessary but continuation bonds must be given.*

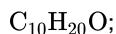
*No penalty if methyl groups given on same side.*

d.i.  $n_C : \left(\frac{76.84}{12.01}\right) = 6.398 \text{ mol}$  **and**  $n_H : \left(\frac{12.92}{1.01}\right) = 12.79 \text{ mol}$  **and**

$$n_O : \left(\frac{10.24}{16.00}\right) = 0.6400 \text{ mol};$$

*Allow integer values for atomic masses.*

dividing across by lowest number to give integer values;



*Award [3] for correct final answer.*

d.ii( $M(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}) = 156.30 \text{ (g mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ , therefore empirical formula = molecular

formula =)  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}$ ;

## Examiners report

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b. In b) the definition of isomers was reasonably well answered.

c.i.Most correctly named but-2-ene in c) (i). Some mistakenly said butene which was insufficient.

c.ii.In c) (ii) most candidates drew the structure of but-1-ene although some drew the original compound.

c.iiiIn c) (iii) several candidates identified the product as butan-1-ol rather than butan-2-ol.

c.ivNearly all identified butane as the second compound and correctly identified a suitable catalyst for this reaction in (c) (iv).

c.v.The mechanism required in c) (v) was either S<sub>N</sub>1 or S<sub>N</sub>2. Several candidates produced very clear, correct mechanisms. A few lost marks for incorrectly having a curly arrow from H instead of O in the nucleophile, or for neglecting to show the curly arrow showing Br leaving, or for omitting the negative charge on the transition state in S<sub>N</sub>2.

c.viIn c) (vi) some candidates thought that an aldehyde formed from oxidation of an alcohol under reflux. Error carried forward was applied if candidates had given butan-1-ol as the product in c) (iii) and then drew and named butanoic acid here.

c.vii[N/A]

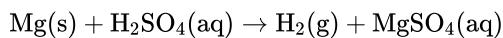
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0.100 g of magnesium ribbon is added to 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of 1.00 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> sulfuric acid to produce hydrogen gas and magnesium sulfate.

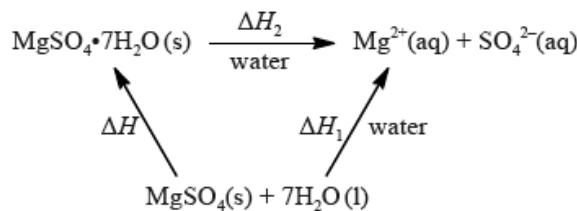


Magnesium sulfate can exist in either the hydrated form or in the anhydrous form. Two students wished to determine the enthalpy of hydration of anhydrous magnesium sulfate. They measured the initial and the highest temperature reached when anhydrous magnesium sulfate, MgSO<sub>4</sub>(s), was dissolved in water. They presented their results in the following table.

mass of anhydrous magnesium sulfate / g	3.01
volume of water / cm <sup>3</sup>	50.0
initial temperature / °C	17.0
highest temperature / °C	26.7

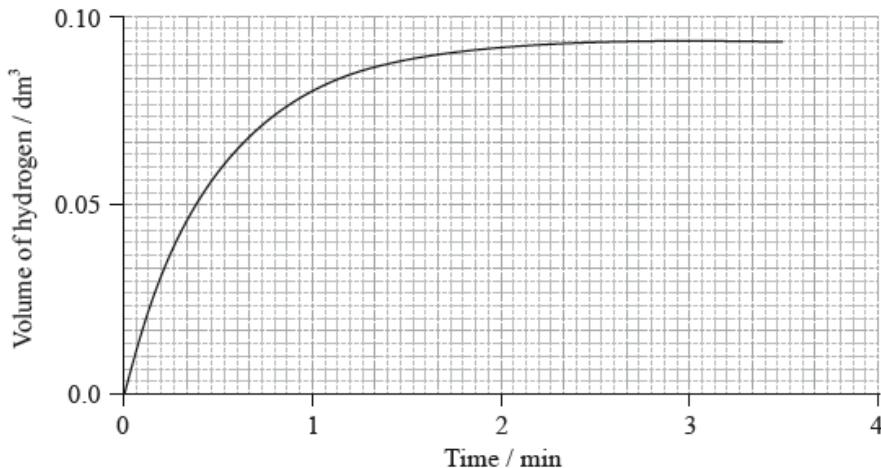
The students repeated the experiment using 6.16 g of solid hydrated magnesium sulfate, MgSO<sub>4</sub> • 7H<sub>2</sub>O(s), and 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of water. They found the enthalpy change,  $\Delta H_2$ , to be +18 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>.

The enthalpy of hydration of solid anhydrous magnesium sulfate is difficult to determine experimentally, but can be determined using the diagram below.



Magnesium sulfate is one of the products formed when acid rain reacts with dolomitic limestone. This limestone is a mixture of magnesium carbonate and calcium carbonate.

- a. (i) The graph shows the volume of hydrogen produced against time under these experimental conditions. [3]



Sketch two curves, labelled I and II, to show how the volume of hydrogen produced (under the same temperature and pressure) changes with time when:

- I. using the same mass of magnesium powder instead of a piece of magnesium ribbon;
  - II. 0.100 g of magnesium ribbon is added to 50 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.500 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> sulfuric acid.
- (ii) Outline why it is better to measure the volume of hydrogen produced against time rather than the loss of mass of reactants against time.

- b. (i) Calculate the amount, in mol, of anhydrous magnesium sulfate. [3]

- (ii) Calculate the enthalpy change,  $\Delta H_1$ , for anhydrous magnesium sulfate dissolving in water, in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>. State your answer to the correct number of significant figures.

- c. (i) Determine the enthalpy change,  $\Delta H$ , in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>, for the hydration of solid anhydrous magnesium sulfate, MgSO<sub>4</sub>. [2]

- (ii) The literature value for the enthalpy of hydration of anhydrous magnesium sulfate is  $-103 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ . Calculate the percentage difference between the literature value and the value determined from experimental results, giving your answer to **one** decimal place. (If you did not obtain an answer for the experimental value in (c)(i) then use the value of  $-100 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ , but this is **not** the correct value.)

- d. Another group of students experimentally determined an enthalpy of hydration of  $-95 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ . Outline two reasons which may explain the variation between the experimental and literature values. [2]

- e. (i) State the equation for the reaction of sulfuric acid with magnesium carbonate. [N/A]

(ii) Deduce the Lewis (electron dot) structure of the carbonate ion, giving the shape and the oxygen-carbon-oxygen bond angle.

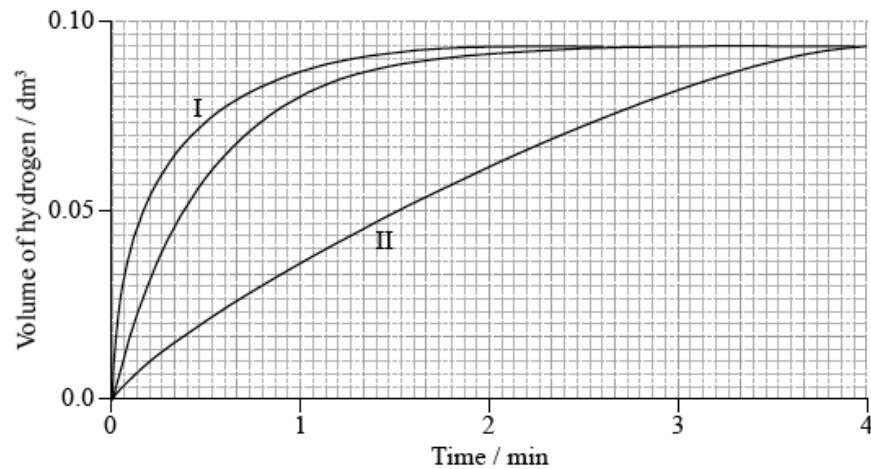
Lewis (electron dot) structure:

Shape:

Bond angle:

## Markscheme

a.



I: line which is steeper/increases faster **and** finishes at the same height;

II: line which is less steep/increases more slowly **and** finishes at the same height;

(ii) mass of hydrogen produced is very small (so not accurate) / decrease in mass is very small (so not accurate);

b. (i)  $n(\text{MgSO}_4) = \left( \frac{3.01}{120.37} \right) = 0.0250 \text{ (mol)};$

(ii) energy released =  $50.0 \times 4.18 \times 9.7 \times 2027 \text{ (J)} / 2.027 \text{ (kJ)}$ ;

$$\Delta H_1 = -81 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)};$$

Award [2] for correct answer.

Award [2] if 53.01 is used giving an answer of  $-86 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ .

Award [1 max] for  $+81/81/+86/86 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ .

Award [1 max] for  $-81000/-86000$  if units are stated as  $\text{J mol}^{-1}$ .

Allow answers to 3 significant figures.

c. (i)  $\Delta H (= \Delta H_1 - \Delta H_2) = -99 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)};$

Award [1] if  $-86$  is used giving an answer of  $-104 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ .

(ii)  $\frac{(103-99)}{103} \times 100 = 3.9\%;$

Accept answer of 2.9 % if  $-100$  used but only if a value for (b)(i) is not present.

Award [1] if  $-104$  is used giving an answer of 1.0% .

Accept correct answers which are not to 1 decimal place.

d.  $\text{MgSO}_4$  not completely anhydrous / OWTTE;

$\text{MgSO}_4$  is impure;

heat loss to the atmosphere/surroundings;

specific heat capacity of solution is taken as that of pure water;

experiment was done once only so it is not scientific;

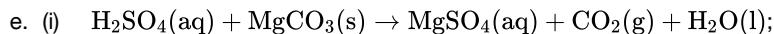
density of solution is taken to be 1 g cm<sup>-3</sup>;

mass of 7H<sub>2</sub>O ignored in calculation;

uncertainty of thermometer is high so temperature change is unreliable;

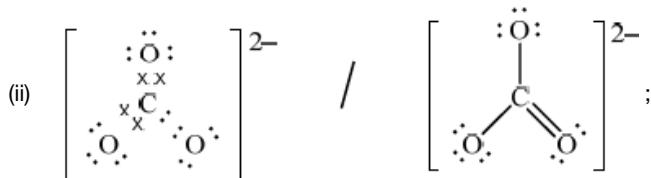
literature values determined under standard conditions but this experiment is not;

all solid not dissolved;



*Ignore state symbols.*

*Do not accept H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>.*



*Accept crosses, lines or dots as electron pairs.*

*Accept any correct resonance structure.*

*Award [0] if structure is drawn without brackets and charge.*

*Award [0] if lone pairs not shown on O atoms.*

*shape:* trigonal/triangular planar;

*bond angle:* 120°;

*Accept answers trigonal/triangular planar and 120° if M1 incorrect, but no other answer should be given credit.*

## Examiners report

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Smog is common in cities throughout the world. One component of smog is PAN (peroxyacetyl nitrate) which consists of 20.2% C, 11.4% N, 65.9% O and 2.50% H by mass. Determine the empirical formula of PAN, showing your working.

## Markscheme

C	N	O	H
20.2	11.4	65.9	2.50
12.01	14.01	16.00	1.01
=1.68	= 0.814	= 4.12	= 2.48
$\frac{1.68}{0.814} = 2$	$\frac{0.814}{0.814} = 1$	$\frac{4.12}{0.814} = 5$	$\frac{2.48}{0.814} = 3$



No penalty for use of 12, 1 and/or 14.

Award [1 max] if the empirical formula is correct, but no working shown.

## Examiners report

It was pleasing to see the majority of candidates determine the correct empirical formula of PAN. Also, candidates showed the proper working with all the appropriate steps.

Impurities cause phosphine to ignite spontaneously in air to form an oxide of phosphorus and water.

- a. (i) 200.0 g of air was heated by the energy from the complete combustion of 1.00 mol phosphine. Calculate the temperature rise using section 1 [5] of the data booklet and the data below.

Standard enthalpy of combustion of phosphine,  $\Delta H_c^\ominus = -750 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

Specific heat capacity of air =  $1.00 \text{ J g}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1} = 1.00 \text{ kJ kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$

(ii) The oxide formed in the reaction with air contains 43.6 % phosphorus by mass. Determine the empirical formula of the oxide, showing your method.

(iii) The molar mass of the oxide is approximately  $285 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$ . Determine the molecular formula of the oxide.

b. (i) State the equation for the reaction of this oxide of phosphorus with water. [5]

(ii) Predict how dissolving an oxide of phosphorus would affect the pH and electrical conductivity of water.

pH:

Electrical conductivity:

(iii) Suggest why oxides of phosphorus are not major contributors to acid deposition.

(iv) The levels of sulfur dioxide, a major contributor to acid deposition, can be minimized by either pre-combustion and post-combustion methods. Outline **one** technique of each method.

Pre-combustion:

Post-combustion:

## Markscheme

a. (i)

$$\text{temperature rise} \ll \frac{750 \times 1.00}{0.2000 \times 1.00} = 3750 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C/K}$$

*Do not accept -3750.*

(ii)

$$n(\text{P}) \ll \frac{43.6}{30.97} \ll 1.41 \text{ mol}$$

$$n(\text{O}) \ll \frac{100 - 43.6}{16.00} \ll 3.53 \text{ mol}$$

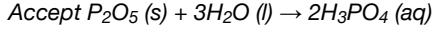
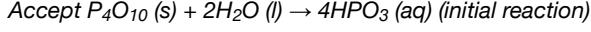
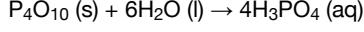
$$\frac{n(\text{O})}{n(\text{P})} = \frac{3.53}{1.41} = 2.50 \text{ so empirical formula is} \gg \text{P}_2\text{O}_5$$

*Accept other methods where the working is shown.*

(iii)

$$\frac{285}{141.9} = 2.00, \text{ so molecular formula} = 2 \times \text{P}_2\text{O}_5 = \gg \text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$$

b. (i)



*Accept equations for P<sub>4</sub>O<sub>6</sub> / P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> if given in a (iii).*

*Accept any ionized form of the acids as the products.*

(ii)

pH: decreases **AND** electrical conductivity: increases.

(iii)

phosphorus not commonly found in fuels

**OR**

no common pathways for phosphorus oxides to enter the air

**OR**

amount of phosphorus-containing organic matter undergoing anaerobic decomposition is small

Accept "phosphorus oxides are solids so are not easily distributed in the atmosphere".

Accept "low levels of phosphorus oxide in the air". Do not accept " $H_3PO_4$  is a weak acid".

(iv)

Pre-combustion:

remove sulfur/S/sulfur containing compounds

Post-combustion:

remove it/ $SO_2$  by neutralization/reaction with alkali/base

Accept "lime injection fluidised bed combustion" for either, but not both.

## Examiners report

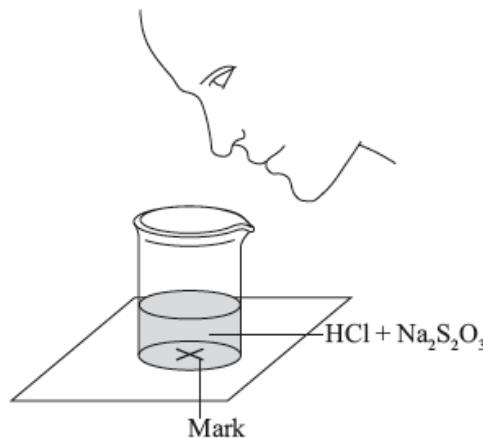
a. [N/A]

b. [N/A]

A group of students investigated the rate of the reaction between aqueous sodium thiosulfate and hydrochloric acid according to the equation below.



The two reagents were rapidly mixed together in a beaker and placed over a mark on a piece of paper. The time taken for the precipitate of sulfur to obscure the mark when viewed through the reaction mixture was recorded.



Initially they measured out  $10.0\text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.500\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  hydrochloric acid and then added  $40.0\text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.0200\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  aqueous sodium thiosulfate. The mark on the paper was obscured 47 seconds after the solutions were mixed.

The teacher asked the students to measure the effect of halving the concentration of sodium thiosulfate on the rate of reaction.

The teacher asked the students to devise another technique to measure the rate of this reaction.

Another group suggested collecting the sulfur dioxide and drawing a graph of the volume of gas against time.

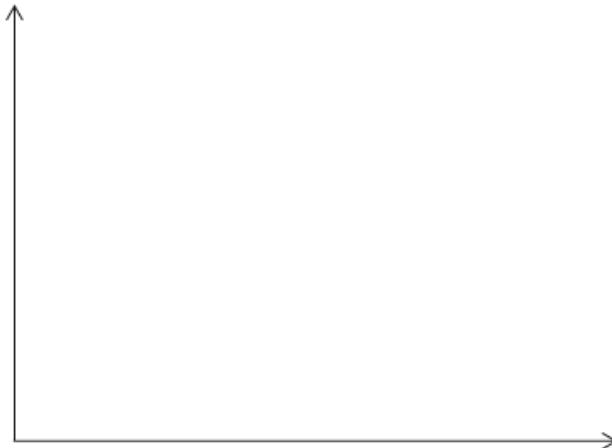
- a. The teacher made up  $2.50\text{ dm}^3$  of the sodium thiosulfate solution using sodium thiosulfate pentahydrate crystals,  $Na_2S_2O_3 \bullet 5H_2O$ . Calculate [3] the required mass of these crystals.
- b. (i) State the volumes of the liquids that should be mixed. [4]

<b>Liquid</b>	0.500 mol dm <sup>-3</sup> HCl	0.0200 mol dm <sup>-3</sup> Na <sub>2</sub> S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Water
<b>Volume / cm<sup>3</sup></b>			

(ii) State why it is important that the students use a similar beaker for both reactions.

(iii) Explain, in terms of the collision theory, how decreasing the concentration of sodium thiosulfate would affect the time taken for the mark to be obscured.

c. (i) Sketch and label, indicating an approximate activation energy, the Maxwell–Boltzmann energy distribution curves for two temperatures,  $T_1$  [6] and  $T_2$  ( $T_2 > T_1$ ), at which the rate of reaction would be significantly different.



(ii) Explain why increasing the temperature of the reaction mixture would significantly increase the rate of the reaction.

d. (i) One group suggested recording how long it takes for the pH of the solution to change by one unit. Calculate the initial pH of the original [3] reaction mixture.

(ii) Deduce the percentage of hydrochloric acid that would have to be used up for the pH to change by one unit.

e. (i) Calculate the volume of sulfur dioxide, in cm<sup>3</sup>, that the original reaction mixture would produce if it were collected at 1.00 × 10<sup>5</sup> Pa and [4] 300 K.

(ii) Suggest why it is better to use a gas syringe rather than collecting the gas in a measuring cylinder over water.

## Markscheme

a. mol Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (= 2.50 × 0.0200) = 0.0500;

$$M_r \text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3 \bullet 5\text{H}_2\text{O} = (2 \times 22.99) + (2 \times 32.06) + (3 \times 16.00) + (5 \times 18.02) = 248.20;$$

Allow 248.

$$\text{mass Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3 \bullet 5\text{H}_2\text{O} = (0.0500 \times 248.20) = 12.4 \text{ g};$$

Award [3] for correct final answer.

Award [2] for 7.91g (water of crystallization omitted in  $M_r$  calculation).

b. (i)

Liquid	$0.500 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ HCl	$0.0200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$	Water
Volume / $\text{cm}^3$	10.0	20.0	20.0

Accept other volumes in a 1:2:2 ratio.

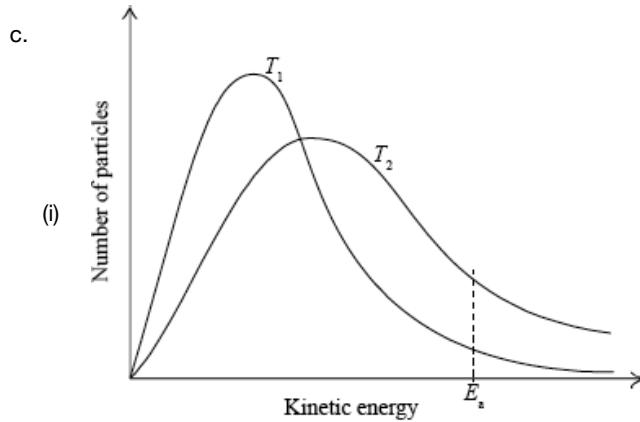
(ii) depth of liquid in the beaker must remain constant / OWTTE;

Accept "same thickness of glass" and any other valid point, such as answers framed around minimizing uncontrolled variables / making it a "fair test".

(iii) increases the time;

decrease in collision frequency/number of collisions per unit time;

Do not award mark for decrease in number of collisions.



labelled y-axis: number of particles / probability of particles (with that kinetic energy) and labelled x-axis: (kinetic) energy;

Allow fraction/proportion/amount of particles (with kinetic energy) for y-axis label.

Allow speed/velocity for x-axis label.

$T_2$  curve broader and with maximum lower and to right of  $T_1$  curve;

Do not award this mark if both curves not asymmetric.

Curves must pass through the origin and be asymptotic to x axis.

Do not award this mark if curves not labelled.

$E_a$  marked on graph;

(ii) kinetic energy of molecules increases;

This may be answered implicitly in the final marking point.

frequency of collision/number of collisions per unit time increases;

Only penalize use of "number of collisions" if not penalized in (b)(iii).

greater proportion of molecules have energy greater than/equal to activation energy / rate related to temperature by the Arrhenius equation;

Award [1 max] for statements such as "there will be more successful collisions" if neither of last two marking points awarded.

d. (i)  $[\text{H}^+] = 0.5 \times \frac{10}{50} = 0.1 \text{ (mol dm}^{-3}\text{)};$

$$\text{pH } (= -\log [\text{H}^+] = -\log(0.10)) = 1;$$

(ii) 90%;

e. (i) mol Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> = mol SO<sub>2</sub> = 0.0400 × 0.0200 = 0.000800;

$$V = \frac{n \times R \times T}{P} / \frac{0.000800 \times 8.31 \times 300}{10^5};$$

$$(1.99 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3) = 19.9 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)};$$

Award [3] for correct final answer.

Accept 20.0 cm<sup>3</sup> if R = 8.314 is used.

Award [2] for 17.9 cm<sup>3</sup> or 19.2 cm<sup>3</sup> (result from using molar volume at standard temperature and pressure or at room temperature and pressure).

## OR

mol Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> = mol SO<sub>2</sub> = 0.0400 × 0.0200 = 0.000800;

$$V = 0.00080 \times 2.24 \times 10^{-2} \times \left[ \frac{1.00 \times 10^5}{1.01 \times 10^5} \right] \times \frac{300}{273};$$

$$(1.95 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3) = 19.5 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)};$$

Award [3] for correct final answer.

Deduct [1] for answers based on amount of HCl, so correct calculation would score [2 max].

(ii) sulfur dioxide is soluble in water;

Accept other reasonable responses based on sound chemistry.

Accept "syringe more accurate/precise" or "less gas escapes".

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[1]

a.ii. Predict the shape of the chloromethane molecule and the H-C-H bond angle.

[2]

Shape:

Bond angle:

a.iii Explain why chloromethane is a polar molecule.

[2]

a.iv Methanol has a lower molar mass than chloromethane. Explain why the boiling point of methanol is higher than that of chloromethane.

[2]

b.i. State the equation for the reaction between potassium and chlorine.

[1]

b.ii. Outline the nature of the metallic bonding present in potassium.

[1]

b.iii Describe the covalent bond present in the chlorine molecule and how it is formed.

[2]

b.iv Describe the ionic bonding present in potassium chloride and how the ions are formed.

[2]

b.v Potassium also reacts with water to form hydrogen gas. Determine the volume, in  $\text{cm}^3$ , of hydrogen gas that could theoretically be produced at 273 K and  $1.01 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$  when 0.0587 g of potassium reacts with excess water.

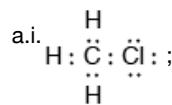
c.i. Identify the acid-base character of the oxides of each of the elements from sodium to chlorine in period 3.

[2]

c.ii. State the equations for the separate reactions of sodium oxide and phosphorus(V) oxide with water.

[2]

## Markscheme



Accept any combination of lines, dots or crosses to represent electron pairs.

a.ii. Shape: tetrahedral;

Bond angle: accept any value in the range:  $108^\circ$  to  $111^\circ$ ;

(Literature value is  $108.2^\circ$ ).

a.iii Cl is more electronegative than C / C-Cl bond polar;

bond dipoles do not cancel / asymmetric distribution of electron cloud / (resultant) net dipole moment (from vectorial addition of bond dipoles) going in direction of C–Cl axis / OWTTE;

a.iv hydrogen bonding in methanol;

stronger than dipole-dipole/van der Waals' attractions/forces in chloromethane;

Accept converse argument.

b.i.  $2\text{K(s)} + \text{Cl}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 2\text{KCl(s)}$ ;

Ignore state symbols.

b.ii.(electrostatic) attraction between lattice of cations/positive ions and delocalized electrons;

b.iii(electrostatic) attraction between positively charged nuclei and a pair of electrons;

formed as a result of electron sharing;

b.iv(electrostatic) attraction between positive and negative ions/oppositely charged ions/cations and anions;

formed as a result of transfer of an electron from a K atom to a Cl atom / OWTTE;

b.v.

$$\text{amount of potassium} = \left( \frac{0.0587}{39.10} = \right) 1.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (mol)};$$

$$2\text{K} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2\text{KO} + \text{H}_2 / \text{amount of hydrogen} = 7.50 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (mol)};$$

$$\text{volume of hydrogen} = (7.50 \times 10^{-4} \times 22.4 \times 1000 =) 16.8 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)};$$

Accept calculation of volume of hydrogen using  $PV = nRT$  (answer is  $16.9 \text{ cm}^3$ ).

Award [3] for correct final answer.

c.i. Na, Mg (oxides): basic

Al (oxide): amphoteric

Do not accept amphiprotic.

Si to Cl (oxides): acidic

Award [2] for all three listed sets correct.

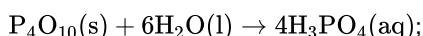
Award [1] for one or two listed sets correct.

Award [1] for stating oxides become more acidic towards right/Cl or more basic towards left/Na.

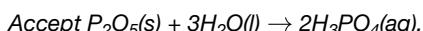
Do not penalize if reference is to Ar instead of Cl.

Do not penalize for incorrect formulas of oxides.

c.ii.  $\text{Na}_2\text{O(s)} + \text{H}_2\text{O(l)} \rightarrow 2\text{NaOH(aq)}$ ;



Ignore state symbols.



Do not award marks if incorrect formulas of the oxides are used.

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a. A hydrocarbon has the empirical formula  $C_3H_7$ . When 1.17 g of the compound is heated to 85 °C at a pressure of 101 kPa it occupies a volume [4] of 400 cm<sup>3</sup>.

(i) Calculate the molar mass of the compound, showing your working.

(ii) Deduce the molecular formula of the compound.

b.  $C_5H_{12}$  exists as three isomers. Identify the structure of the isomer with the **lowest** boiling point and explain your choice. [2]

c.i. Ethanol is a primary alcohol that can be oxidized by acidified potassium dichromate(VI). Distinguish between the reaction conditions needed to [2] produce ethanal and ethanoic acid.

Ethanal:

Ethanoic acid:

c.ii.Determine the oxidation number of carbon in ethanol and ethanal. [2]

Ethanol:

Ethanal:

c.iii Deduce the half-equation for the oxidation of ethanol to ethanal.

[1]

c.iv Deduce the overall redox equation for the reaction of ethanol to ethanal with acidified potassium dichromate(VI) by combining your answer to

[2]

part (c) (iii) with the following half-equation:



d.i. Describe **two** characteristics of a reaction at equilibrium.

[2]

d.ii. Describe how a catalyst increases the rate of a reaction.

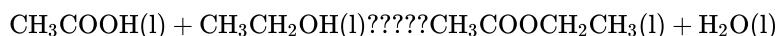
[2]

d.iii State and explain the effect of a catalyst on the position of equilibrium.

[2]

e. Ethanoic acid reacts with ethanol to form the ester ethyl ethanoate.

[1]



The esterification reaction is exothermic. State the effect of increasing temperature on the value of the equilibrium constant ( $K_c$ ) for this reaction.

## Markscheme

a. (i) temperature = 358 K;

$$M = \frac{mRT}{pV} / 1.17 \times 8.31 \times \frac{358}{(0.40 \times 101)};$$

$$(M = ) 86.2 \text{ (gmol}^{-1}\text{);}$$

*Award [1 max] for correct final answer without working.*

(ii) C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>14</sub>;

b. C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>;

*Accept correct name 2,2-dimethylpropane.*

*Do not penalize missing H atoms.*

weakest London/dispersion/van der Waals'/vdW/instantaneous induced dipoleinduced dipole forces because of smallest surface area/contact

OR

weakest London/dispersion/van der Waals'/vdW/ instantaneous induced dipoleinduced dipole forces because of least distortion of the electron cloud

OR

weakest London/dispersion/van der Waals'/vdW/ instantaneous induced dipoleinduced dipole forces because polarizability of electrons (in electron cloud) is less;

*Accept other words to that effect but student must mention a correct IMF and a correct reason.*

c.i. *Ethanal:* distill off product as it forms;

*Accept distillation.*

*Ethanoic acid:* (heat under) reflux / use excess oxidizing agent;

c.ii. *Ethanol:* -2/-II;

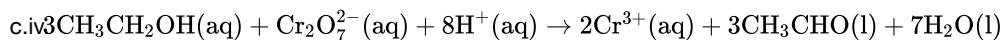
*Ethanal:* -1/-I;

*Do not accept 2- or 1-, but penalize only once.*

c.iii  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH} \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{CHO} + 2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^-$ ;

Half-equation required. Do not accept  $C_2H_5OH + 2[O] \rightarrow CH_3CHO + H_2O$ .

Accept e for  $e^-$ .



correct reactants and products;

correct balancing;

M2 can only be scored if M1 correct.

Ignore state symbols.

d.i.rate of forward process/reaction = rate of backward/reverse process/reaction;

concentrations of reactants and products remain constant;

no change in macroscopic properties;

closed/isolated system / constant matter/energy;

d.ii.provides alternative pathway (of lower energy);

lowers activation energy (of the reaction) / more particles with  $E \geq E_a$ ;

d.ii.no effect (on position of equilibrium);

increases rate of forward and reverse reactions (equally);

e. decreases;

## Examiners report

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Ethanedioic acid is a diprotic acid. A student determined the value of x in the formula of hydrated ethanedioic acid, HOOC-COOH • xH<sub>2</sub>O, by titrating a known mass of the acid with a 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> solution of NaOH(aq).

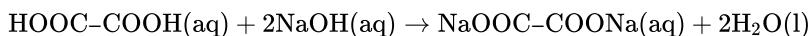
0.795 g of ethanedioic acid was dissolved in distilled water and made up to a total volume of 250 cm<sup>3</sup> in a volumetric flask.

25 cm<sup>3</sup> of this ethanedioic acid solution was pipetted into a flask and titrated against aqueous sodium hydroxide using phenolphthalein as an indicator.

The titration was then repeated twice to obtain the results below.

Volume of 0.100 mol dm <sup>-3</sup> NaOH / cm <sup>3</sup>	Titration 1	Titration 2	Titration 3
Final burette reading ( $\pm 0.05$ )	13.00	25.70	38.20
Initial burette reading ( $\pm 0.05$ )	0.00	13.00	25.70
Volume added			

- a. State the uncertainty of the volume of NaOH added in cm<sup>3</sup>. [1]
- b. Calculate the average volume of NaOH added, in cm<sup>3</sup>, in titrations 2 and 3, and then calculate the amount, in mol, of NaOH added. [2]
- c. (i) The equation for the reaction taking place in the titration is: [5]



Determine the amount, in mol, of ethanedioic acid that reacts with the average volume of NaOH(aq).

(ii) Determine the amount, in mol, of ethanedioic acid present in 250 cm<sup>3</sup> of the original solution.

(ii) Determine the molar mass of hydrated ethanedioic acid.

(iv) Determine the value of x in the formula HOOC-COOH • xH<sub>2</sub>O.

- d. Identify the strongest intermolecular force in solid ethanedioic acid. [1]
- e. Deduce the Lewis (electron dot) structure of ethanedioic acid, HOOC-COOH. [1]

## Markscheme

- a. ( $\pm$ )0.10 (cm<sup>3</sup>);

Accept  $\pm 0.1$  (cm<sup>3</sup>).

Accept ( $\pm$ )0.09 (cm<sup>3</sup>) (based on more accurate method of calculating propagation of uncertainties).

b.  $\left( \frac{12.70+12.50}{2} = \right) 12.60 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)};$

$(0.01260 \times 0.100 =) 1.26 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (mol)};$

Award [2] for correct final answer.

c. (i)  $\left( \frac{1.26 \times 10^{-3}}{2} = \right) 6.30 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (mol)};$

(ii)  $(6.30 \times 10^{-4} \times 10 =) 6.30 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (mol)};$

(iii)  $\left( \frac{0.795}{6.30 \times 10^{-3}} = \right) 126 \text{ (gmol}^{-1}\text{)};$

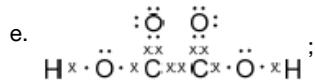
(iv)  $M_r(\text{C}_2\text{H}_2\text{O}_4) = 90.04 \text{ and } M_r(\text{H}_2\text{O}) = 18.02;$

$x = 2;$

Accept integer values for  $M_r$ 's of 90 and 18 and any reasonable calculation.

Award [1 max] if no working shown.

d. hydrogen bonding;



Mark cannot be scored if lone pairs are missing on oxygens.

Accept any combination of lines, dots or crosses to represent electron pairs.

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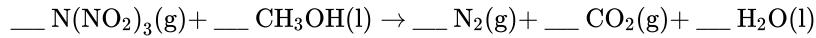
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a. Methanol reacts with trinitramide to form nitrogen, carbon dioxide and water. Deduce the coefficients required to balance the equation for this reaction. [1]



c. Calculate the enthalpy change, in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ , when one mole of trinitramide decomposes to its elements, using bond enthalpy data from Table 10 of the Data Booklet. Assume that all the N–O bonds in this molecule have a bond enthalpy of  $305 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ . [3]

d. Outline how the length of the N–N bond in trinitramide compares with the N–N bond in nitrogen gas,  $\text{N}_2$ . [2]

e. Deduce the N–N–N bond angle in trinitramide and explain your reasoning. [3]

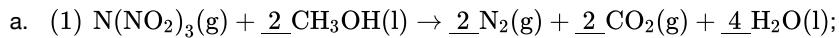
f. Predict, with an explanation, the polarity of the trinitramide molecule. [2]

g.i. Methanol can also be burnt as a fuel. Describe an experiment that would allow the molar enthalpy change of combustion to be calculated from the results. [3]

g.ii.Explain how the results of this experiment could be used to calculate the molar enthalpy change of combustion of methanol. [3]

g.iii.Predict, with an explanation, how the result obtained would compare with the value in Table 12 of the Data Booklet. [2]

## Markscheme



c. bonds broken:  $(6 \times 305) + (3 \times 158) = 1830 + 474 = 2304 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ ;

bonds made:  $(2 \times 945) + (3 \times 498) = 1890 + 1494 = 3384 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ ;

enthalpy change:  $2304 - 3384 = -1080 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ ;

Award [3] for correct final answer.

Award [2 max] for  $+1080 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ .

Accept  $-234 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$  which arise from students assuming that  $305 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$  refers to the strength of a single N–O bond. Students may then take N=O from the data book value ( $587 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ ).

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Award [2 max] for correct calculation of the enthalpy change of reaction for the equation in part (a), which gives  $-2160 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ .

Award [1] if the final answer is not  $-2160$  but the candidate has correctly calculated the bonds broken in trinitramide as  $2304 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ .

d. (N–N bond in) trinitramide is longer/nitrogen (gas) is shorter /  $0.145 \text{ nm}$  in trinitramide versus  $0.110 \text{ nm}$  in nitrogen;

trinitramide has single (N–N) bond **and** nitrogen (gas) has triple bond;

e.  $106^\circ$ – $108^\circ$ ;

Accept  $<109^\circ$ .

Any two for [2 max].

4 (negative) charge centres/electron pairs/electron domains around central nitrogen;

central nitrogen has a lone/non-bonding pair;

lone/non-bonding pairs repel more than bonding pairs;

molecule will be (trigonal/triangular) pyramidal;

(negative) charge centres/electron pairs/electron domains will be tetrahedrally arranged/orientated/ have tetrahedral geometry;

Do not apply ECF.

f. polar;

net dipole moment present in molecule / unsymmetrical distribution of charge / polar bonds do not cancel out / centre of negatively charged oxygen atoms does not coincide with positively charged nitrogen atom;

Marks may also be awarded for a suitably presented diagram showing net dipole moment.

Do not accept "unsymmetrical molecule".

For polarity, apply ECF from part (e).

g.i.burn/combust a (known) mass/volume/quantity/amount of methanol (in a spirit burner) / weigh methanol/spirit burner before and after combustion;

use flame to heat a (known) mass/volume/quantity/amount of water;

measure the increase/rise/change in temperature (of the water);

g.ii.calculate the heat gained by the water / calculate the heat evolved by the burning methanol / substitute in  $q = mc\Delta T$ ;

calculate the amount/moles of methanol / divide the mass of methanol by its molar mass;

divide the heat gained by the water by the amount/moles of methanol;

g.iii result would be less exothermic/less negative;

Accept "less/smaller/lower".

heat loss / incomplete combustion;

Accept methanol is volatile/evaporates / beaker/material of calorimeter absorbs heat.

## Examiners report

- a. Most candidates got the correct stoichiometric coefficients for the equation in part (a).
  - c. In Part (c), the typical errors were using the incorrect bond enthalpies from the Data Booklet and using the sum of the bond enthalpies of bond forming (products) minus bond breaking (reactants) instead of the reverse. Some candidates surprisingly used the combustion equation from part (a) for their extensive calculations which was partially given credit.
  - d. Part (d) was well answered although a number of candidates thought that nitrogen has a single or double bond instead of a triple bond which was worrying. VSEPR theory however was exceptionally poor and most candidates demonstrated little or no understanding. Many incorrect geometries were cited, especially trigonal planar and even linear and v-shaped! Very few candidates related the geometry to four negative charge centres or electron domains around the central nitrogen atom.
  - e. [N/A]
  - f. In part (f), polarity typically involved just guess work and only few candidates could explain the reason for the polarity or gave a diagram showing the net dipole moment which suggested poor understanding of the topic.
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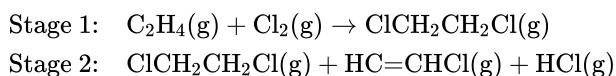
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Chlorine occurs in Group 7, the halogens.

Two stable isotopes of chlorine are  $^{35}\text{Cl}$  and  $^{37}\text{Cl}$  with mass numbers 35 and 37 respectively.

Chlorine has an electronegativity value of 3.2 on the Pauling scale.

Chloroethene,  $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{CHCl}$ , the monomer used in the polymerization reaction in the manufacture of the polymer poly(chloroethene), PVC, can be synthesized in the following two-stage reaction pathway.



a.i. Define the term *isotopes of an element*. [2]

a.ii. Calculate the number of protons, neutrons and electrons in the isotopes  $^{35}\text{Cl}$  and  $^{37}\text{Cl}$ . [2]

Isotope	Number of protons	Number of neutrons	Number of electrons
$^{35}\text{Cl}$			
$^{37}\text{Cl}$			

a.iii. Using the mass numbers of the two isotopes and the relative atomic mass of chlorine from Table 5 of the Data Booklet, determine the percentage abundance of each isotope. [2]

Percentage abundance  $^{35}\text{Cl}$ :

Percentage abundance  $^{37}\text{Cl}$ :

b.i. Define the term *electronegativity*. [1]

b.ii. Using Table 7 of the Data Booklet, explain the trends in electronegativity values of the Group 7 elements from F to I. [2]

b.iii. State the balanced chemical equation for the reaction of potassium bromide,  $\text{KBr}(\text{aq})$ , with chlorine,  $\text{Cl}_2(\text{aq})$ . [1]

b.iv. Describe the colour change likely to be observed in this reaction. [1]

c.ii. Determine the enthalpy change,  $\Delta H$ , in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ , for stage 1 using average bond enthalpy data from Table 10 of the Data Booklet. [3]

c.iii. State whether the reaction given in stage 1 is exothermic or endothermic. [1]

c.iv. Draw the structure of poly(chloroethene) showing **two** repeating units. [1]

c.v. Suggest why monomers are often gases or volatile liquids whereas polymers are solids. [2]

## Markscheme

a.i. atoms of same element / atoms with same number of protons/atomic number/Z;

*Do not allow elements instead of atoms in second alternative.*

(but) different numbers of neutrons/mass number/A;

<b>Isotope</b>	<b>Number of protons</b>	<b>Number of neutrons</b>	<b>Number of electrons</b>
$^{35}\text{Cl}$	17	18	17
$^{37}\text{Cl}$	17	20	17

Allow **[1 max]** for 17 p, 17 e for both if n's are omitted or incorrect.

Allow **[1 max]** for  $^{35}\text{Cl}$ : 18 n **and**  $^{37}\text{Cl}$ : 20 n if p's and e's are omitted.

a.iii(for  $^{35}\text{Cl} : x\%$ )  $35x + 3700 - 37x = 3545$ ;

Allow other alternative mathematical arrangements.

$^{35}\text{Cl} = 77.5\%$  **and**  $^{37}\text{Cl} = 22.5\%$ ;

Award **[1 max]** for correct percentages if no correct working is shown.

b.i.ability of atom/nucleus to attract bonding/shared pair of electrons / attraction of nucleus for bonding/shared pair of electrons / OWTTE;

Do not allow element instead of atom/nucleus.

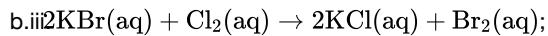
b.ii.increasing atomic radii (down the group) / OWTTE;

so reduced attraction (for the bonding electrons) / OWTTE;

screening/shielding effect of inner electrons / OWTTE;

Allow more energy levels/electron shells for M1.

Do not accept decrease in nuclear charge.



Ignore state symbols.

Allow ionic equation.

b.iv colourless/pale yellow/green to yellow/orange/brown;

Start and end colours must both be mentioned.

c.ii.Bonds breaking:

$$1 \times (\text{C=C}) + 4 \times (\text{C-H}) + 1 \times (\text{Cl-Cl}) \\ = (1)(612) + (4)(413) + (1)(243) / = (+)2507 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)};$$

Bonds forming:

$$1 \times (\text{C-C}) + 4 \times (\text{C-H}) + 2 \times (\text{Cl-Cl}) \\ = (1)(347) + (4)(413) + (2)(346) / = -2691 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)};$$

Enthalpy change:

$$(2507 - 2691) = -184 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)};$$

**OR**

Bonds breaking:

$$1 \times (\text{C=C}) + 1 \times (\text{Cl-Cl}) \\ = (1)(612) + (1)(243) / = (+)855 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)};$$

Bonds forming:

$$1 \times (\text{C-C}) + 2 \times (\text{C-Cl}) \\ = (1)(347) + (2)(346) / = -1039 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)};$$

Enthalpy change:

$(855 - 1039 =) - 184 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)};$

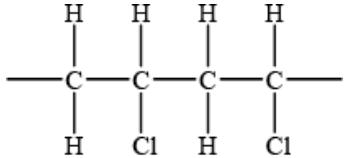
*Award [3] for correct final answer.*

c.iii exothermic;

*Do not award mark unless based on some value for part (iii).*

c.iv representation of PVC showing two repeating units;

*For example,*



*Brackets not necessary but continuation bonds must be given.*

*No penalty if chlorines are not on same side.*

*No penalty if chlorines are on two middle C atoms or on two end C atoms.*

c.v monomers are smaller molecules / monomers have smaller mass / smaller surface area than polymers;

weaker/fewer intermolecular/London/dispersion/van der Waals' forces (of attraction);

*Allow reverse argument.*

*Allow abbreviation for London/dispersion as FDL or for van der Waals' as vdW.*

*Award zero if reference is made to breaking of bonds.*

## Examiners report

a.i. This was by far the most popular choice of question in Section B. Again, part a) (i) proved challenging as many candidates failed to refer to atoms in their definition and scored only 1 mark out of 2.

a.ii. In a) (ii) most candidates could state the numbers of protons, neutrons and electrons in the isotopes of chlorine. Those who got this wrong gave answers which indicated a complete lack of understanding of atomic structure.

a.iii. In a) (iii) some candidates remembered the percentage abundance of chlorine isotopes but could not do the calculation.

b.i. Part b) (i) required another definition. Again, many candidates lost marks for inarticulate responses.

b.ii. The explanation in b) (ii) of trends in electronegativity values was reasonably well done, with most candidates scoring at least one mark out of two.

b.iii. However, writing a balanced equation in b) (iii) was poorly done with many candidates not knowing the formula of KCl, and not knowing what products would be formed. This is clearly on the syllabus in 3.3.1.

b.iv. Almost no-one knew the colours of aqueous chlorine and aqueous bromine in b) (iv).

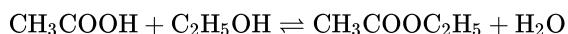
c.ii. In part c) (ii) the calculation of  $\Delta H$  using bond enthalpies was done well. Some candidates failed to use the C=C bond enthalpy value and some did not recall that bond breaking is endothermic and bond formation exothermic.

c.iii. Nearly everyone scored a mark in c) (iii) as follow-through marks were awarded.

c.iv Drawing two repeating units of poly(chloroethene) presented difficulties in c) (iv). Some candidates tried to draw the monomers joined through the chlorine atoms.

c.v In c) (v) most candidates scored at least one out of two for explaining why monomers have a much lower melting point than polymers.

A class studied the equilibrium established when ethanoic acid and ethanol react together in the presence of a strong acid, using propanone as an inert solvent. The equation is given below.



One group made the following **initial mixture**:

Liquid	Volume / cm <sup>3</sup>
Ethanoic acid	5.00 ± 0.05
Ethanol	5.00 ± 0.05
6.00 mol dm <sup>-3</sup> aqueous hydrochloric acid	1.00 ± 0.02
Propanone	39.0 ± 0.5

After one week, a  $5.00 \pm 0.05 \text{ cm}^3$  sample of the final equilibrium mixture was pipetted out and titrated with  $0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-2}$  aqueous sodium hydroxide to determine the amount of ethanoic acid remaining. The following titration results were obtained:

Titration number	1	2	3
Initial reading / cm <sup>3</sup> ± 0.05	1.20	0.60	14.60
Final reading / cm <sup>3</sup> ± 0.05	28.80	26.50	40.70
Titre / cm <sup>3</sup>	27.60	25.90	26.10

- a. The density of ethanoic acid is  $1.05 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ . Determine the amount, in mol, of ethanoic acid present in the initial mixture. [3]
- b. The hydrochloric acid does not appear in the balanced equation for the reaction. State its function. [1]
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- e. Referring back to your answer for part (a), calculate the percentage of ethanoic acid converted to ethyl ethanoate. [1]
- f. Deduce the equilibrium constant expression for the reaction. [1]

- g. Outline how you could establish that the system had reached equilibrium at the end of one week. [1]
- h. Outline why changing the temperature has only a very small effect on the value of the equilibrium constant for this equilibrium. [1]
- i. Outline how adding some ethyl ethanoate to the initial mixture would affect the amount of ethanoic acid converted to product. [2]
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- k. Suggest **one** other reason why using water as a solvent would make the experiment less successful. [1]

## Markscheme

a.  $M(CH_3COOH) = (4 \times 1.01) + (2 \times 12.01) + (2 \times 16.00) = 60.06 \text{ (g mol}^{-1}\text{)};$

*Accept 60 (g mol<sup>-1</sup>).*

mass ( $CH_3COOH$ ) =  $5.00 \times 1.05 = 5.25 \text{ (g);}$

$\frac{5.25}{60.06} = 0.0874 \text{ (mol);}$

*Award [3] for correct final answer.*

*Accept 0.0875 (comes from using Mr = 60 g mol<sup>-1</sup>).*

b. catalyst / OWTTE;

c. hydrochloric acid/HCl;

d. (i)  $\pm 0.1/0.10 \text{ (cm}^3\text{);}$

*Do not accept without  $\pm$ .*

(ii)  $26.00 \text{ (cm}^3\text{);}$

(iii)  $0.200 \times \frac{23.00}{1000} = 0.0046;$

$0.0046 \times \frac{50.0}{5.00} = 0.0460 \text{ (mol);}$

e.  $\frac{0.0874 - 0.0460}{0.0874} \times 100 = 47.4\%;$

f.  $(K_c) = \frac{[CH_3COOC_2H_5][H_2O]}{[C_2H_5OH][CH_3COOH]}$ ;

*Do not penalize minor errors in formulas.*

*Accept (* $K_c$ *) =*  $\frac{[\text{ester}][\text{water}]}{[\text{ethanol/alcohol}][\text{(ethanoic)acid}]}$ *.*

g. repeat the titration a day/week later (and result should be the same) / OWTTE;

*Accept "concentrations/physical properties/macrosopic properties of the system do not change".*

h. enthalpy change/ $\Delta H$  for the reaction is (very) small / OWTTE;

i. decreases (the amount of ethanoic acid converted);

*Accept "increases amount of ethanoic acid present at equilibrium" / OWTTE.*

*(adding product) shifts position of equilibrium towards reactants/LHS / increases the rate of the reverse reaction / OWTTE;*

j. ethyl ethanoate/ $CH_3COOC_2H_5$ ;

*forms only weak hydrogen bonds (to water);*

Allow “does not hydrogen bond to water” / “hydrocarbon sections too long” / OWTTE.

M2 can only be given only if M1 correct.

- k. (large excess of) water will shift the position of equilibrium (far to the left) / OWTTE;

Accept any other chemically sound response, such as “dissociation of ethanoic acid would affect equilibrium”.

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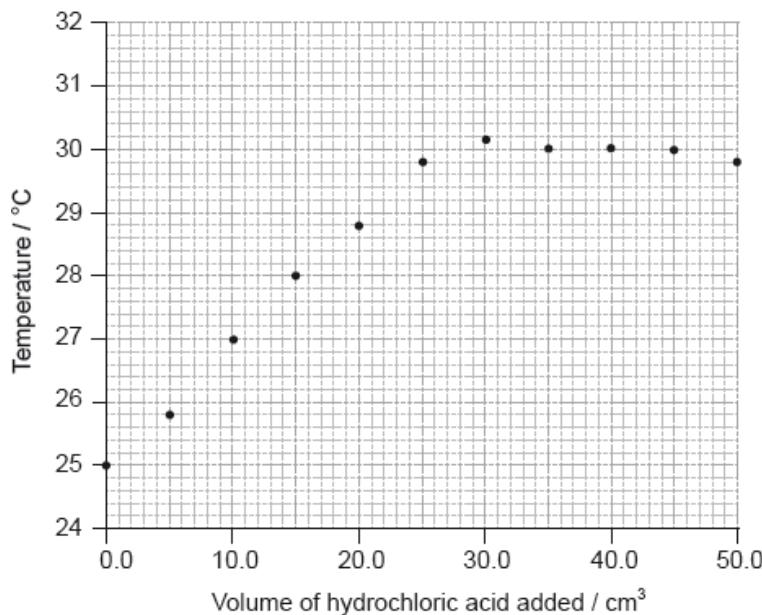
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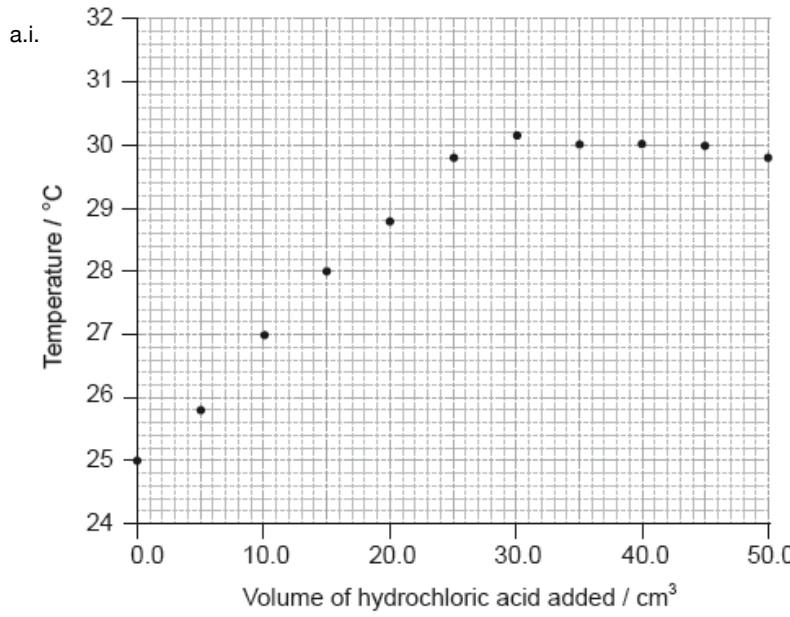
She added  $5.0\text{ cm}^3$  portions of hydrochloric acid to  $25.0\text{ cm}^3$  of  $1.00\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  sodium hydroxide solution in a glass beaker until the total volume of acid added was  $50.0\text{ cm}^3$ , measuring the temperature of the mixture each time. Her results are plotted in the graph below.



The initial temperature of both solutions was the same.

- a.i. By drawing appropriate lines, determine the volume of hydrochloric acid required to completely neutralize the  $25.0\text{ cm}^3$  of sodium hydroxide solution. [2]
- a.ii. Determine the concentration of the hydrochloric acid, including units. [2]
- b.i. Determine the change in temperature,  $\Delta T$ . [1]
- b.ii. Calculate the enthalpy change, in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ , for the reaction of hydrochloric acid and sodium hydroxide solution. [3]
- b.iii. The accepted theoretical value from the literature of this enthalpy change is  $-58\text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ . Calculate the percentage error correct to two significant figures. [1]
- b.iv. Suggest the major source of error in the experimental procedure and an improvement that could be made to reduce it. [2]

## Markscheme



drawing best-fit straight lines to show volume;

*There should be approximately the same number of points above and below for both lines.*

27.0 (cm<sup>3</sup>);

Accept any value in the range 26.0 to 28.0 (cm<sup>3</sup>) if consistent with student's annotation on the graph.

Accept ECF for volumes in the range 27.0–30.0 cm<sup>3</sup> if it corresponds to maximum temperature of line drawn.

Volumes should be given to one decimal place.

$$\text{a.ii.} [\text{HCl}] = \frac{1.00 \times 0.0250}{0.0270};$$

$$= 0.926 \text{ mol dm}^{-3};$$

Volume of 26.0 gives  $[\text{HCl}] = 0.962 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ . Volume of 28.0 gives  $[\text{HCl}] = 0.893 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

Award [2] for correct final answer with units.

Award [1 max] for correct concentration without units.

Accept M, mol L<sup>-1</sup>, mol/dm<sup>3</sup> as units.

$$\text{b.i.} (30.2 - 25.0) (+) 5.2 (\text{°C/K});$$

Any accepted value must be consistent with student's annotation on the graph but do not accept  $\Delta T < 5.1$ .

Accept (+) 5.6 (°C/K) (ie, taking into account heat loss and using T when volume = 0.0 cm<sup>3</sup>).

$$\text{b.ii.} Q = (m \times c \times \Delta T) = (25.0 + 27.0) \times 4.18 \times 5.2 = 1130.272 \text{ J} (=) 1.13 \text{ (kJ)};$$

$$n = (1.00 \times 0.0250) = 0.0250 \text{ (mol)};$$

$$\Delta H = \left( -\frac{Q}{n} = -\frac{45210.88 \text{ J mol}^{-1}}{0.0250} = \right) -45 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)};$$

Award [3] for correct final answer.

Award [2] for +45 (kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>).

Apply ECF for M3 even if both m and  $\Delta T$  are incorrect in M1.

Accept use of  $c = 4.2 \text{ J g}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ .

$$\text{b.iii.} \left( \left| \frac{-45 - (-58)}{(-58)} \right| \times 100 \right) = 22(\%);$$

Answer must be given to two significant figures.

Ignore sign.

b.iv heat losses;

better (thermal) insulation / using a polystyrene cup / putting a lid on the beaker;

*Accept other suitable methods for better thermal insulation, but do not accept just "use a calorimeter" without reference to insulation.*

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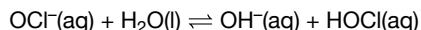
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a.i. Identify the amphiprotic species. [1]

a.ii. Identify one conjugate acid-base pair in the reaction. [1]

Acid	Base
.....	.....

b.i. Calculate the amount, in mol, of NaOH(aq) used. [1]

b.ii. Calculate the molar mass of the acid. [1]

b.iii. Calculate [H<sup>+</sup>] in the NaOH solution. [1]

## Markscheme

a.i. water/H<sub>2</sub>O

Accept "hydroxide ion/OH<sup>-</sup>".

**[1 mark]**

a.ii.	Acid	Base
	HOCl <b>AND</b>	OCl <sup>-</sup>
	<b>OR</b>	
	H <sub>2</sub> O <b>AND</b>	OH <sup>-</sup> ✓

**[1 mark]**

b.i. «0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> × 0.0250 dm<sup>3</sup>» = 0.00250 «mol»

**[1 mark]**

b.ii. « $M = \frac{0.510 \text{ g}}{0.00250 \text{ mol}} \Rightarrow 204 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$ »

**[1 mark]**

b.iii.  $1.00 \times 10^{-14} = [\text{H}^+] \times 0.100$ »

$1.00 \times 10^{-13} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ »

**[1 mark]**

## Examiners report

a.i. [N/A]

a.ii. [N/A]

[N/A]

b.ii. [N/A]

b.iii. [N/A]

Titanium is a transition metal.

$\text{TiCl}_4$  reacts with water and the resulting titanium(IV) oxide can be used as a smoke screen.

a. Describe the bonding in metals.

[2]

b. Titanium exists as several isotopes. The mass spectrum of a sample of titanium gave the following data:

[2]

Mass number	% abundance
46	7.98
47	7.32
48	73.99
49	5.46
50	5.25

Calculate the relative atomic mass of titanium to two decimal places.

c. State the number of protons, neutrons and electrons in the  $^{48}_{22}\text{Ti}$  atom.

[1]

Protons:

.....

Neutrons:

.....

Electrons:

.....

d.i. State the full electron configuration of the  $^{48}_{22}\text{Ti}^{2+}$  ion.

[1]

d.ii. Explain why an aluminium-titanium alloy is harder than pure aluminium.

[2]

e.i. State the type of bonding in potassium chloride which melts at 1043 K.

[1]

e.ii. A chloride of titanium,  $\text{TiCl}_4$ , melts at 248 K. Suggest why the melting point is so much lower than that of KCl.

[1]

f.i. Formulate an equation for this reaction.

[2]

f.ii. Suggest **one** disadvantage of using this smoke in an enclosed space.

[1]

# Markscheme

a. electrostatic attraction

between «a lattice of» metal/positive ions/cations **AND** «a sea of» delocalized electrons

*Accept mobile electrons.*

*Do not accept “metal atoms/nuclei”.*

**[2 marks]**

b. 
$$\frac{(46 \times 7.98) + (47 \times 7.32) + (48 \times 73.99) + (49 \times 5.46) + (50 \times 5.25)}{100}$$

= 47.93

*Answer must have two decimal places with a value from 47.90 to 48.00.*

*Award [2] for correct final answer.*

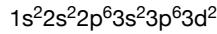
*Award [0] for 47.87 (data booklet value).*

**[2 marks]**

c. Protons: 22 **AND** Neutrons: 26 **AND** Electrons: 22

**[1 mark]**

d.i.



**[1 mark]**

d.ii.titanium atoms/ions distort the regular arrangement of atoms/ions

**OR**

titanium atoms/ions are a different size to aluminium «atoms/ions»

prevent layers sliding over each other

*Accept diagram showing different sizes of atoms/ions.*

**[2 marks]**

e.i.ionic

**OR**

«electrostatic» attraction between oppositely charged ions

**[1 mark]**

e.ii.«simple» molecular structure

**OR**

weak«er» intermolecular bonds

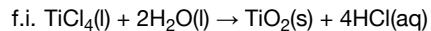
**OR**

weak«er» bonds between molecules

Accept specific examples of weak bonds such as London/dispersion and van der Waals.

Do **not** accept "covalent".

**[1 mark]**



correct products

correct balancing

Accept ionic equation.

Award M2 if products are HCl and a compound of Ti and O.

**[2 marks]**

f.ii. HCl causes breathing/respiratory problems

**OR**

HCl is an irritant

**OR**

HCl is toxic

**OR**

HCl has acidic vapour

**OR**

HCl is corrosive

Accept "TiO<sub>2</sub> causes breathing problems/is an irritant".

Accept "harmful" for both HCl and TiO<sub>2</sub>.

Accept "smoke is asphyxiant".

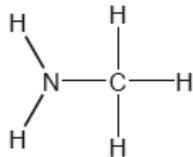
**[1 mark]**

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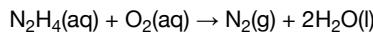
- a. [N/A]
- b. [N/A]
- c. [N/A]
- d.i. [N/A]
- d.ii. [N/A]
- e.i. [N/A]
- e.ii. [N/A]
- f.i. [N/A]
- f.ii. [N/A]

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Two hydrides of nitrogen are ammonia and hydrazine, N<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>. One derivative of ammonia is methanamine whose molecular structure is shown below.



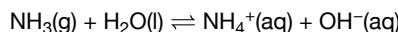
Hydrazine is used to remove oxygen from water used to generate steam or hot water.



The concentration of dissolved oxygen in a sample of water is  $8.0 \times 10^{-3}$  g dm<sup>-3</sup>.

- a. Estimate the H–N–H bond angle in methanamine using VSEPR theory. [1]

- b. Ammonia reacts reversibly with water. [2]

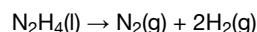


Explain the effect of adding H<sup>+</sup>(aq) ions on the position of the equilibrium.

- c. Hydrazine reacts with water in a similar way to ammonia. Deduce an equation for the reaction of hydrazine with water. [1]

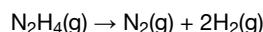
- d. Outline, using an ionic equation, what is observed when magnesium powder is added to a solution of ammonium chloride. [2]

- e. Hydrazine has been used as a rocket fuel. The propulsion reaction occurs in several stages but the overall reaction is: [1]



Suggest why this fuel is suitable for use at high altitudes.

- f. Determine the enthalpy change of reaction,  $\Delta H$ , in kJ, when 1.00 mol of gaseous hydrazine decomposes to its elements. Use bond enthalpy values in section 11 of the data booklet. [3]



- g. The standard enthalpy of formation of N<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>(l) is +50.6 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>. Calculate the enthalpy of vaporization,  $\Delta H_{\text{vap}}$ , of hydrazine in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>. [2]



(If you did not get an answer to (f), use -85 kJ but this is not the correct answer.)

- h.i. Calculate, showing your working, the mass of hydrazine needed to remove all the dissolved oxygen from 1000 dm<sup>3</sup> of the sample. [3]

- h.ii. Calculate the volume, in dm<sup>3</sup>, of nitrogen formed under SATP conditions. (The volume of 1 mol of gas = 24.8 dm<sup>3</sup> at SATP.) [1]

## Markscheme

- a. 107°

Accept 100° to < 109.5°.

Literature value = 105.8°

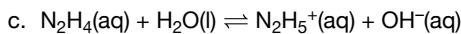
**[1 mark]**

- b. removes/reacts with OH<sup>-</sup>

moves to the right/products «to replace OH<sup>-</sup> ions»

Accept ionic equation for M1.

[2 marks]



Accept  $\text{N}_2\text{H}_4(\text{aq}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) \rightleftharpoons \text{N}_2\text{H}_6^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{OH}^-(\text{aq})$ .

Equilibrium sign must be present.

[1 mark]

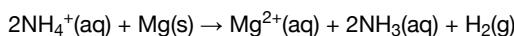
- d. bubbles

**OR**

gas

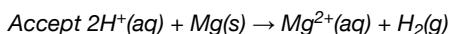
**OR**

magnesium disappears



Do **not** accept "hydrogen" without reference to observed changes.

Accept "smell of ammonia".



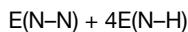
Equation must be ionic.

[2 mark]

- e. no oxygen required

[1 mark]

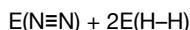
- f. bonds broken:



**OR**



bonds formed:



**OR**

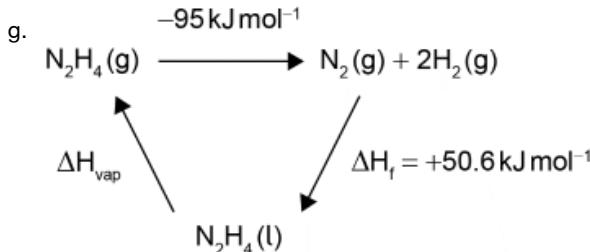


$$\Delta H = \text{bonds broken} - \text{bonds formed} = 1722 - 1817 = -95 \text{ kJ}$$

Award [3] for correct final answer.

Award [2 max] for +95 kJ.

[3 marks]



**OR**

$$\Delta H_{\text{vap}} = -50.6 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} - (-95 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1})$$

$$\Delta H_{\text{vap}} \Rightarrow +44 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

Award [2] for correct final answer.

Award [1 max] for  $-44 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ .

Award [2] for:

$$\Delta H_{\text{vap}} = 50.6 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} - (-85 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}) = 34 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

Award [1 max] for  $-34 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ .

**[2 marks]**

h.i. total mass of oxygen  $\leq 8.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g dm}^{-3} \times 1000 \text{ dm}^3 = 8.0 \text{ g}$

$$n(O_2) \leq \frac{8.0 \text{ g}}{32.00 \text{ g mol}^{-1}} \Rightarrow 0.25 \text{ mol}$$

**OR**

$$n(N_2H_4) = n(O_2)$$

$$\text{mass of hydrazine} = 0.25 \text{ mol} \times 32.06 \text{ g mol}^{-1} \Rightarrow 8.0 \text{ g}$$

Award [3] for correct final answer.

**[3 marks]**

$$h.ii. n(N_2H_4) = n(O_2) = \frac{8.0 \text{ g}}{32.00 \text{ g mol}^{-1}} \Rightarrow 0.25 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{volume of nitrogen} = 0.25 \text{ mol} \times 24.8 \text{ dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1} = 6.2 \text{ dm}^3$$

Award [1] for correct final answer.

**[1 mark]**

## Examiners report

- a. [N/A]
- b. [N/A]
- c. [N/A]
- d. [N/A]
- e. [N/A]
- f. [N/A]
- g. [N/A]
- h.i. [N/A]
- h.ii. [N/A]

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This question is about carbon and chlorine compounds.

- a. Ethane,  $C_2H_6$ , reacts with chlorine in sunlight. State the type of this reaction and the name of the mechanism by which it occurs. [1]

Type of reaction:

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Mechanism:

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b. Formulate equations for the two propagation steps and one termination step in the formation of chloroethane from ethane.

[3]

Two propagation steps:

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One termination step:

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c.i. One possible product, **X**, of the reaction of ethane with chlorine has the following composition by mass:

[2]

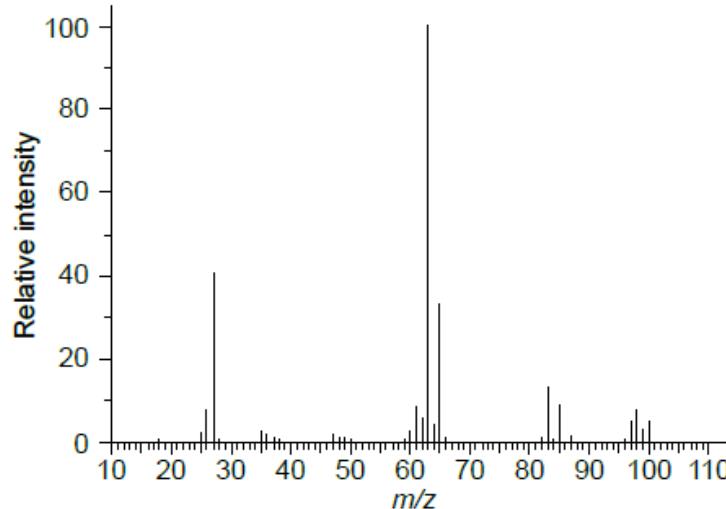
carbon: 24.27%, hydrogen: 4.08%, chlorine: 71.65%

Determine the empirical formula of the product.

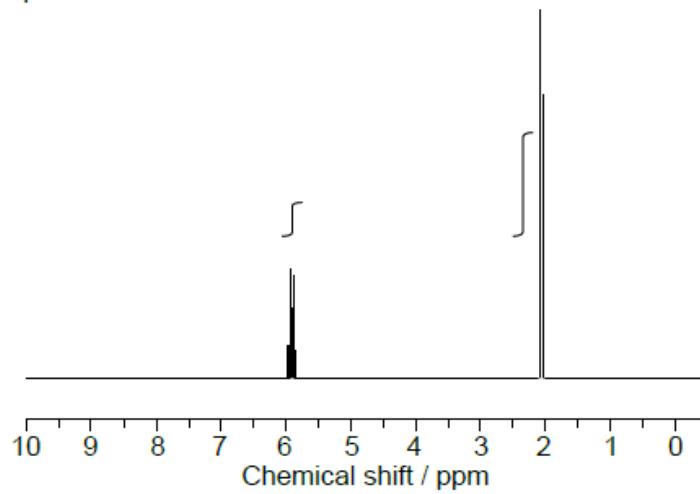
c.ii. The mass and  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of product **X** are shown below. Deduce, giving your reasons, its structural formula and hence the name of the compound.

[3]

Mass spectrum:



$^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum:



[Source: <http://sdbs.db.aist.go.jp>]

d. Chloroethene,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{Cl}$ , can undergo polymerization. Draw a section of the polymer with three repeating units.

[1]

## Markscheme

a. substitution **AND** «free-»radical

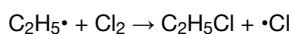
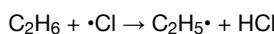
**OR**

substitution **AND** chain

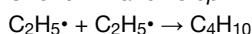
*Award [1] for “«free-»radical substitution” or “ $S_R$ ” written anywhere in the answer.*

**[1 mark]**

b. Two propagation steps:



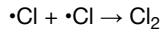
*One termination step:*



**OR**



**OR**



Accept radical without • if consistent throughout.

Allow ECF from incorrect radicals produced in propagation step for M3.

**[3 marks]**

$$\text{c.i. C} = \frac{24.27}{12.01} = 2.021 \text{ AND H} = \frac{4.08}{1.01} = 4.04 \text{ AND Cl} = \frac{71.65}{35.45} = 2.021$$

«hence»  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$

$$\text{Accept } \frac{24.27}{12.01} : \frac{4.08}{1.01} : \frac{71.65}{35.45}.$$

Do **not** accept  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_2$ .

Award [2] for correct final answer.

**[2 marks]**

c.ii.molecular ion peak(s) «about»  $m/z$  100 **AND** «so»  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_2$  «isotopes of Cl»

two signals «in  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum» **AND** «so»  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHCl}_2$

**OR**

«signals in» 3:1 ratio «in  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum» **AND** «so»  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHCl}_2$

**OR**

one doublet and one quartet «in  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum» **AND** «so»  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHCl}_2$

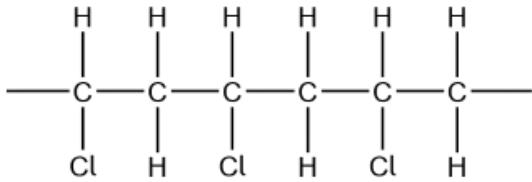
1,1-dichloroethane

Accept “peaks” for “signals”.

Allow ECF for a correct name for M3 if an incorrect chlorohydrocarbon is identified

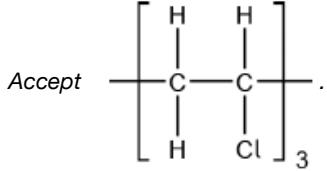
**[3 marks]**

d.



Continuation bonds must be shown.

Ignore square brackets and “n”.



Accept other versions of the polymer, such as head to head and head to tail.

Accept condensed structure provided all C to C bonds are shown (as single).

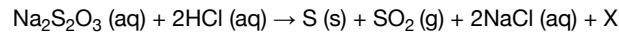
**[1 mark]**

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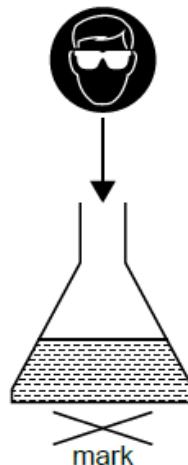
[N/A]

- a. [N/A]  
 c.i. [N/A]  
 c.ii. [N/A]  
 d. [N/A]

Sodium thiosulfate solution reacts with dilute hydrochloric acid to form a precipitate of sulfur at room temperature.



- a. Identify the formula and state symbol of X. [1]
- b. Suggest why the experiment should be carried out in a fume hood or in a well-ventilated laboratory. [1]
- c. The precipitate of sulfur makes the mixture cloudy, so a mark underneath the reaction mixture becomes invisible with time. [2]



10.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of 2.00 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> hydrochloric acid was added to a 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> solution of sodium thiosulfate at temperature, T1. Students measured the time taken for the mark to be no longer visible to the naked eye. The experiment was repeated at different concentrations of sodium thiosulfate.

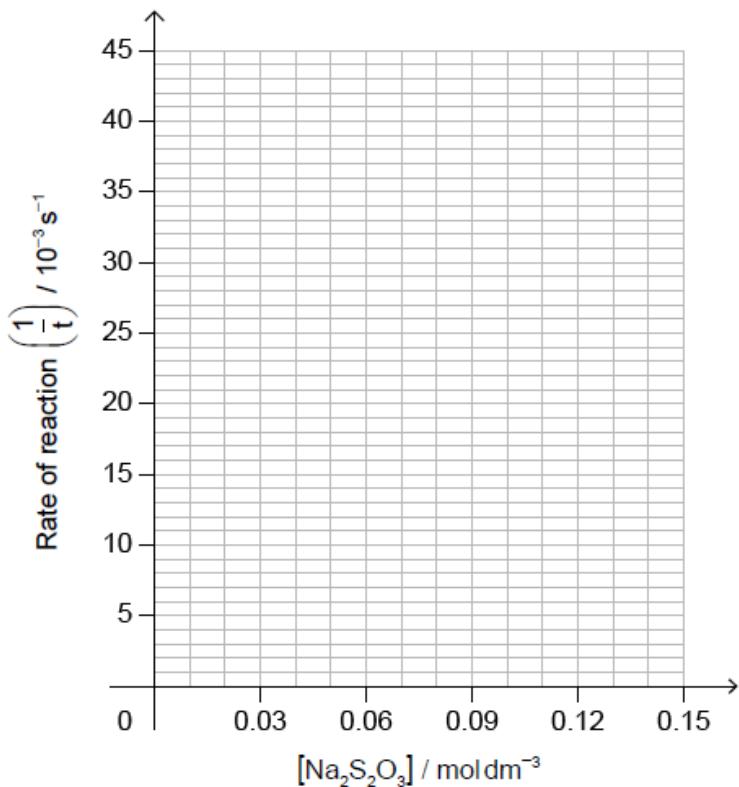
Experiment	[Na <sub>2</sub> S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> (aq)] / mol dm <sup>-3</sup>	Time, t, for mark to disappear / s ± 1 s	$\frac{1^*}{t} / 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$
1	0.150	23	43.5
2	0.120	27	37.0
3	0.090	36	27.8
4	0.060	60	16.7
5	0.030	111	9.0

\* The reciprocal of the time in seconds can be used as a measure of the rate of reaction.

[Source: Adapted from <http://www.flinnsci.com/>]

Show that the hydrochloric acid added to the flask in experiment 1 is in excess.

- d. Draw the best fit line of  $\frac{1}{t}$  against concentration of sodium thiosulfate on the axes provided. [2]



- e. A student decided to carry out another experiment using  $0.075 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  solution of sodium thiosulfate under the same conditions. Determine [2]  
the time taken for the mark to be no longer visible.
- f. An additional experiment was carried out at a higher temperature,  $T_2$ . [4]

(i) On the same axes, sketch Maxwell–Boltzmann energy distribution curves at the two temperatures  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ , where  $T_2 > T_1$ .



(ii) Explain why a higher temperature causes the rate of reaction to increase.

- g. Suggest one reason why the values of rates of reactions obtained at higher temperatures may be less accurate. [1]

## Markscheme

a. H<sub>2</sub>O **AND** (l)

*Do not accept H<sub>2</sub>O (aq).*

b. SO<sub>2</sub> (g) is an irritant/causes breathing problems

**OR**

SO<sub>2</sub> (g) is poisonous/toxic

*Accept SO<sub>2</sub> (g) is acidic, but do not accept "causes acid rain".*

*Accept SO<sub>2</sub> (g) is harmful.*

*Accept SO<sub>2</sub> (g) has a foul/pungent smell.*

c. n(HCl) = « $\frac{10.0}{1000}$  dm<sup>3</sup> × 2.00 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> » = 0.0200 / 2.00 × 10<sup>-2</sup> «mol»

**AND**

$$n(\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3) = «\frac{50}{1000} \text{dm}^3 \times 0.150 \text{ mol} \times \text{dm}^{-3} » = 0.00750 / 7.50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ «mol»}$$

$$0.0200 \text{ «mol»} > 0.0150 \text{ «mol»}$$

**OR**

$$2.00 \times 10^{-2} \text{ «mol»} > 2 \times 7.50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ «mol»}$$

**OR**

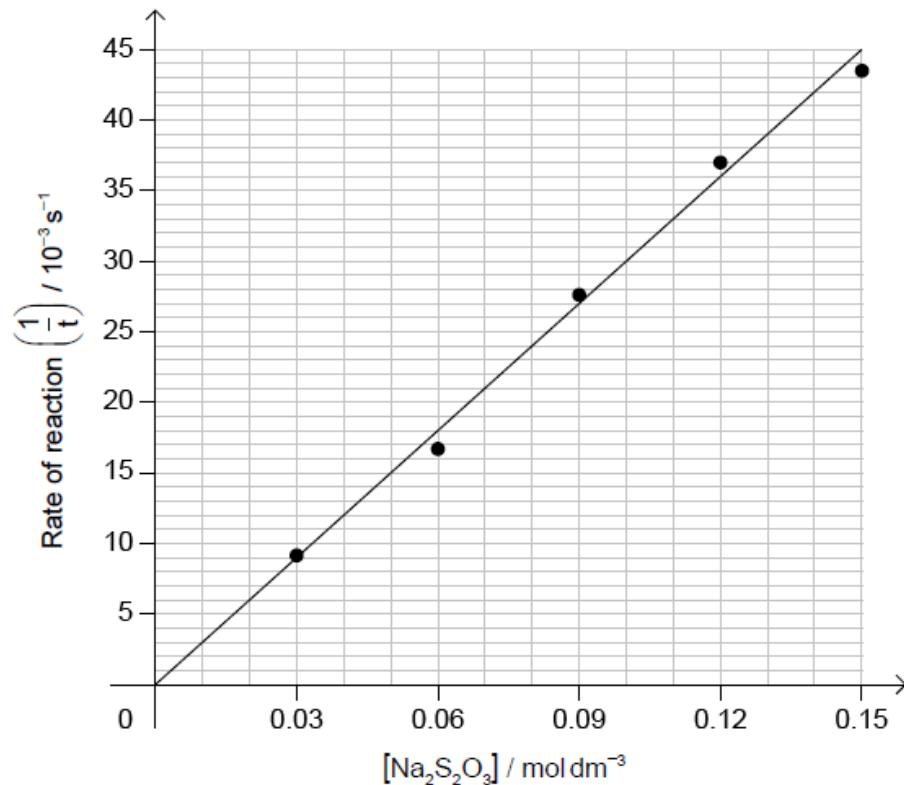
$$\frac{1}{2} \times 2.00 \times 10^{-2} \text{ «mol»} > 7.50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ «mol»}$$

*Accept answers based on volume of solutions required for complete reaction.*

*Award [2] for second marking point.*

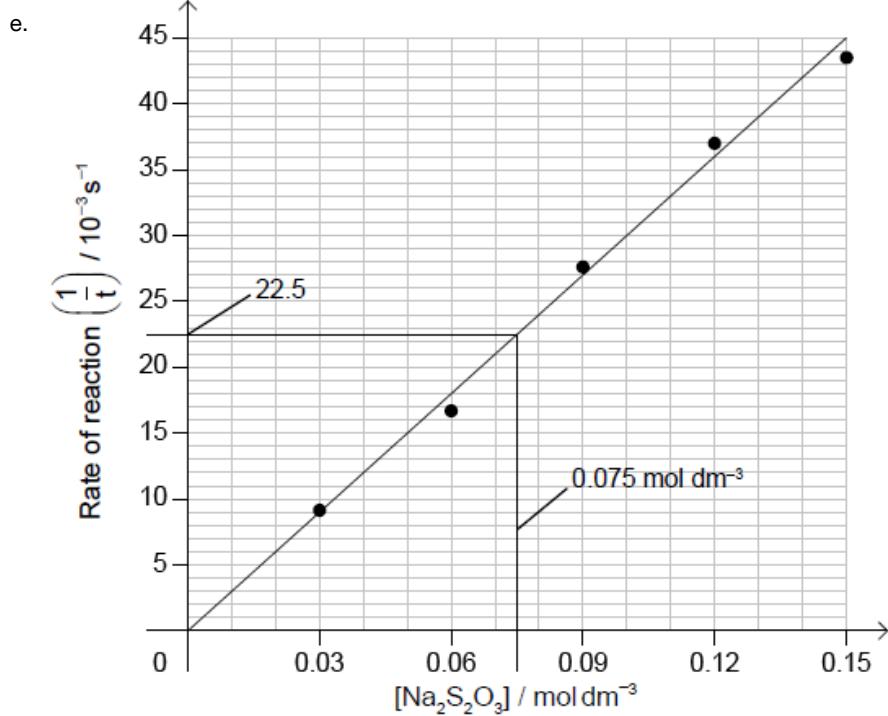
*Do not award M2 unless factor of 2 (or half) is used.*

d.



five points plotted correctly

best fit line drawn with ruler, going through the origin



$$22.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Time} = \frac{1}{22.5 \times 10^{-3}} \Rightarrow 44.4 \text{ s}$$

Award [2] for correct final answer.

Accept value based on candidate's graph.

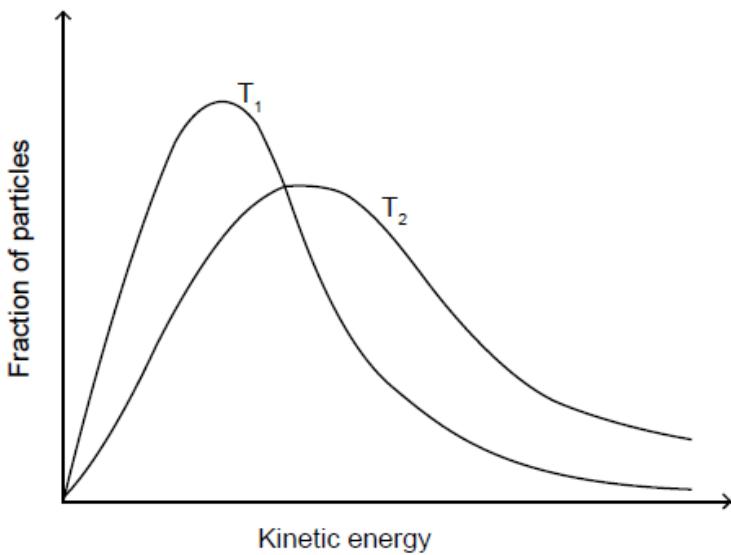
Award M2 as ECF from M1.

Award [1 max] for methods involving taking mean of appropriate pairs of  $\frac{1}{t}$  values.

Award [0] for taking mean of pairs of time values.

Award [2] for answers between 42.4 and 46.4 s.

f. (i)



correctly labelled axes

peak of T<sub>2</sub> curve lower AND to the right of T<sub>1</sub> curve

Accept "probability density / number of particles / N / fraction" on y-axis.

Accept "kinetic E/KE/E<sub>K</sub>" but not just "Energy/E" on x-axis.

(ii)

greater proportion of molecules have  $E \geq E_a$  or  $E > E_a$

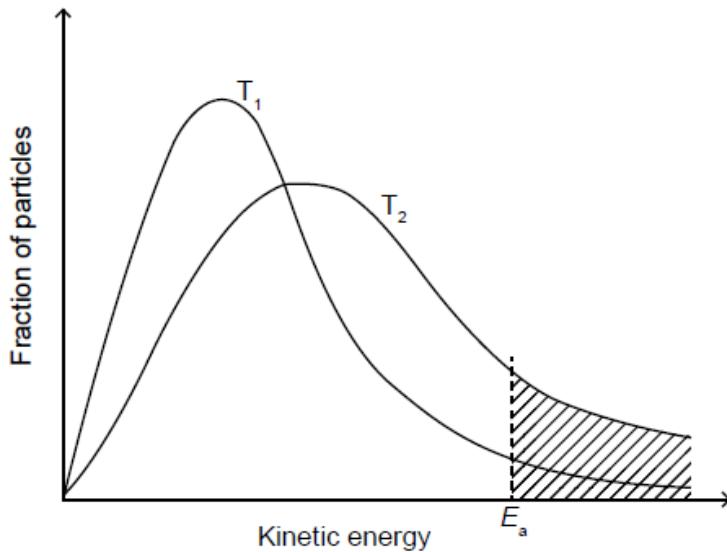
**OR**

greater area under curve to the right of the  $E_a$

greater frequency of collisions «between molecules»

**OR**

more collisions per unit time/second



Accept more molecules have energy greater than  $E_a$ .

Do **not** accept just "particles have greater kinetic energy".

Accept "rate/chance/probability/likelihood/" instead of "frequency".

Accept suitably shaded/annotated diagram.

Do **not** accept just "more collisions".

- g. shorter reaction time so larger «%» error in timing/seeing when mark disappears

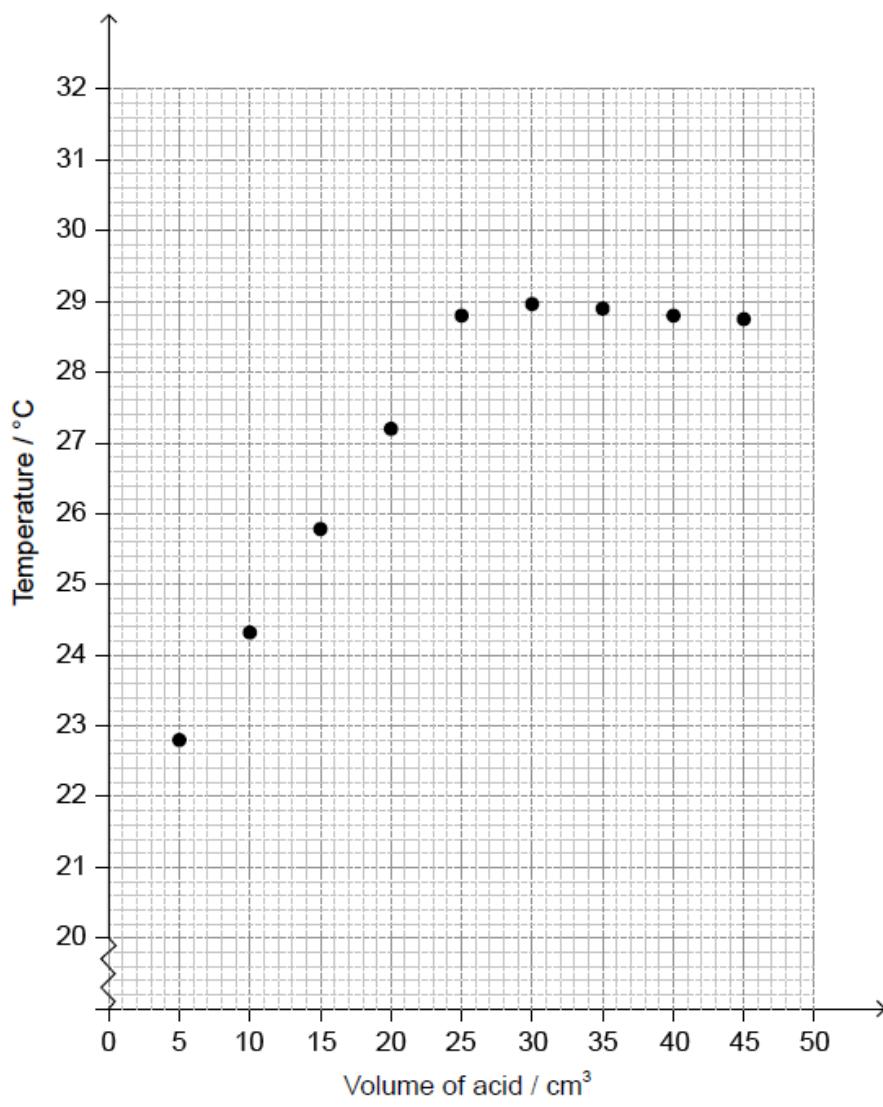
Accept cooling of reaction mixture during course of reaction.

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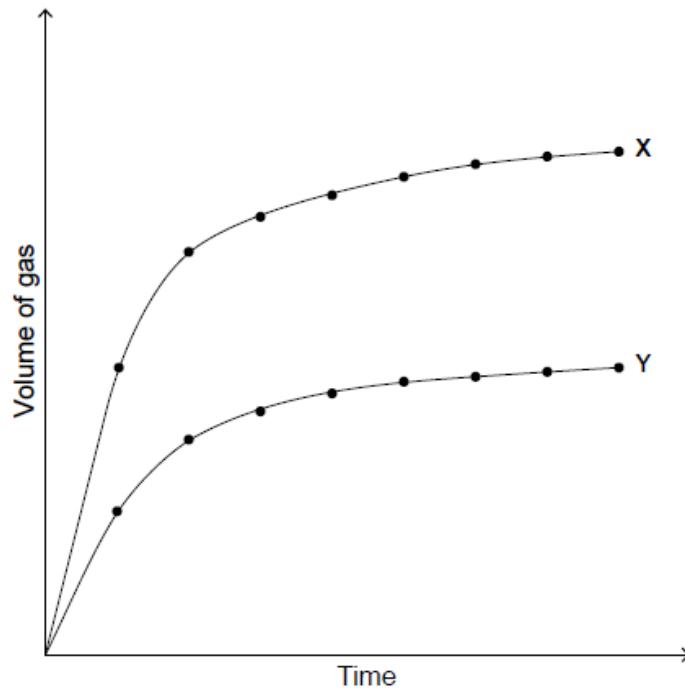
- a. [N/A]
- b. [N/A]
- c. [N/A]
- d. [N/A]
- e. [N/A]
- f. [N/A]
- g. [N/A]

A student titrated an ethanoic acid solution,  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  (aq), against  $50.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.995 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  sodium hydroxide,  $\text{NaOH}$  (aq), to determine its concentration.

The temperature of the reaction mixture was measured after each acid addition and plotted against the volume of acid.

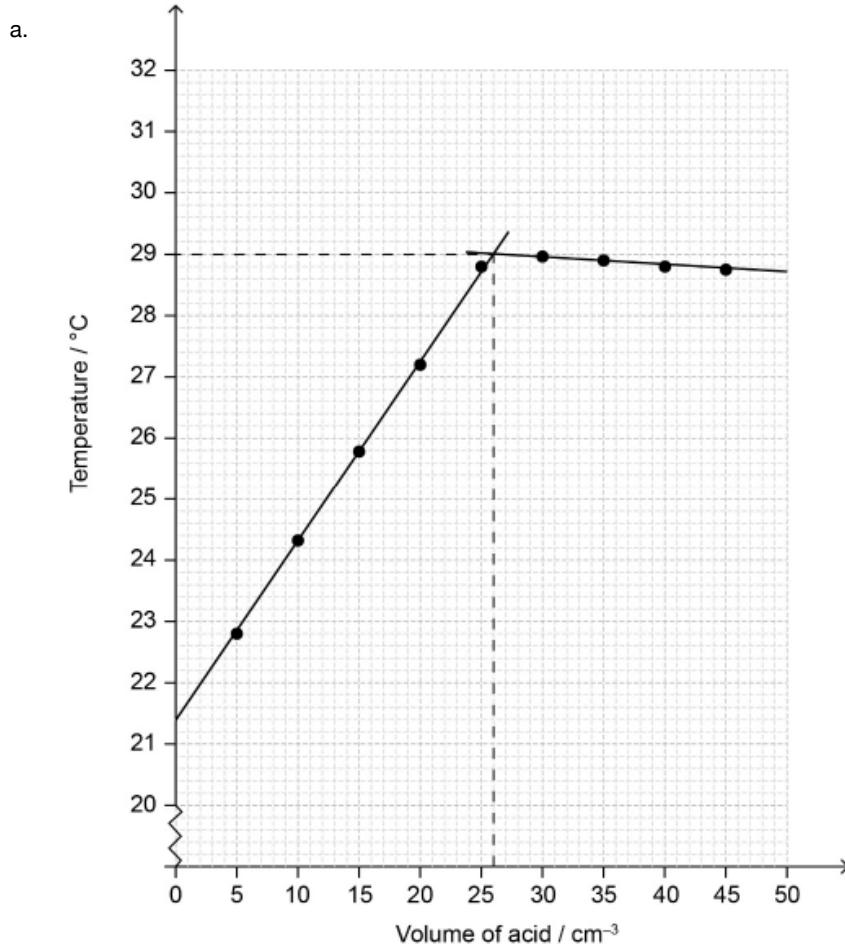


Curves X and Y were obtained when a metal carbonate reacted with the same volume of ethanoic acid under two different conditions.



- a. Using the graph, estimate the initial temperature of the solution. [1]
- b. Determine the maximum temperature reached in the experiment by analysing the graph. [1]
- c. Calculate the concentration of ethanoic acid,  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ , in  $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$ . [2]
- d.i. Determine the heat change,  $q$ , in  $\text{kJ}$ , for the neutralization reaction between ethanoic acid and sodium hydroxide. [2]
- Assume the specific heat capacities of the solutions and their densities are those of water.
- d.ii. Calculate the enthalpy change,  $\Delta H$ , in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ , for the reaction between ethanoic acid and sodium hydroxide. [2]
- e.i. Explain the shape of curve **X** in terms of the collision theory. [2]
- e.ii. Suggest **one** possible reason for the differences between curves **X** and **Y**. [1]

## Markscheme



21.4  $^{\circ}\text{C}$

Accept values in the range of 21.2 to 21.6  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

b. 29.0 «°C»

Accept range 28.8 to 29.2  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

c. **ALTERNATIVE 1**

«volume  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} \Rightarrow 26.0 \text{ «cm}^3\text{»}$

$\text{[CH}_3\text{COOH]} = 0.995 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \times \frac{50.0 \text{ cm}^3}{26.0 \text{ cm}^3} = 1.91 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

### ALTERNATIVE 2

$n(\text{NaOH}) = 0.995 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \times 0.0500 \text{ dm}^3 = 0.04975 \text{ mol}$

$\text{[CH}_3\text{COOH]} = \frac{0.04975}{0.0260} \text{ dm}^3 = 1.91 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

Accept values of volume in range 25.5 to 26.5 cm<sup>3</sup>.

Award [2] for correct final answer.

d.i. «total volume = 50.0 + 26.0 => 76.0 cm<sup>3</sup> AND «temperature change 29.0 – 21.4 => 7.6 °C»

$q = 0.0760 \text{ kg} \times 4.18 \text{ kJ kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1} \times 7.6 \text{ K} = 2.4 \text{ kJ}$

Award [2] for correct final answer.

d.ii. « $n(\text{NaOH}) = 0.995 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \times 0.0500 \text{ dm}^3 = 0.04975 \text{ mol}$ »

### OR

$n(\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}) = 1.91 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \times 0.0260 \text{ dm}^3 = 0.04966 \text{ mol}$

$\Delta H = -\frac{2.4 \text{ kJ}}{0.04975 \text{ mol}} = -48 / -49 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

Award [2] for correct final answer.

Negative sign is required for M2.

e.i. «initially steep because» greatest concentration/number of particles at start

### OR

«slope decreases because» concentration/number of particles decreases

volume produced per unit of time depends on frequency of collisions

### OR

rate depends on frequency of collisions

e.ii. mass/amount/concentration of metal carbonate more in X

### OR

concentration/amount of CH<sub>3</sub>COOH more in X

## Examiners report

- a. [N/A]
- b. [N/A]
- c. [N/A]
- d.i. [N/A]
- d.ii. [N/A]
- e.i. [N/A]
- e.ii. [N/A]