



**CHMB31H3**  
**Introduction to Inorganic Chemistry**  
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**Candidate Form**

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**Answer all questions in full.**

***Value of each question is indicated. Total is 85 marks.***

***Aids Allowed:*** Appendix and Periodic Table of Elements (both provided  
at the back)

Non-programmable calculator

Please, read each question carefully and make sure you have indeed  
answered every part of each question!!!

**Duration: 90 min (1.5 h)**

**GOOD LUCK!!**

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1. (15 marks) Fill in the blanks to complete the definitions or statements:

- All atoms with the same number of protons (1 word) in their nucleus (1 word) constitute a chemical element.
- During the alpha (1 word) decay a radioactive element emits nucleus of  ${}^4\text{He}$ , while during the beta minus decay an electron (1 word) is emitted.
- The heaviest element produced in stellar nucleosynthesis is iron (1 word).
- The valence shell electronic configuration  $ns^2np^3$  is typical for the elements of Group 15 (1 number) found in p (1 letter) block of the periodic table.
- Every wavefunction has a angular (1 word) component and radial (1 word) component.
- Atomic radii decrease (1 word) from left to right in the periodic table.
- Lewis acids are electron pair donors (3 words).
- Reducing reagent is electron donor (1 word).
- Hybridization of the central atom is determined based on electron (1 word) geometry.

2. (4 marks) Find the missing nuclides/particles (marked with X):

- $\text{X} + {}^1_0\text{n} \rightarrow {}^{239}_{92}\text{U} + \gamma$
- ${}^{58}_{26}\text{Fe} + 2 {}^1_0\text{n} \rightarrow \text{X} + \beta^-$
- ${}^{56}_{26}\text{Fe} + \gamma \rightarrow \text{X} + 2\alpha + 4 {}^1_0\text{n}$
- $\text{X} + {}^{21}_{10}\text{Ne} \rightarrow {}^{22}_{11}\text{Na} + {}^{11}_5\text{B}$

Answer:

a.  ${}^{238}_{92}\text{U}$

b.  ${}^{60}_{27}\text{Co}$

c.  ${}^{44}_{22}\text{Ti}$

d.  ${}^{12}_6\text{C}$

3. (4 marks) The next subshell after f is g subshell.
- What would be the value of the quantum number  $\ell$  for the g subshell?
  - How many orbitals would the g subshell have?
  - What would be the first shell (defined with the principal quantum number) that would have a g subshell?
  - How many nodes a g orbital has?

Answer:

a.  $\ell = 4$

b. nine

c.  $n = 5$

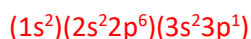
d. four

4. (10 marks) The following questions relate to aluminium (Al) and chlorine (Cl).
- Based only on their relative position in the periodic table, decide which one has higher first ionization energy (potential). Explain.
  - Calculate  $Z_{\text{eff}}$  for a 3p electron for both Al and Cl (show full calculation not only the final result!!)
  - Using your results from b), calculate  $I_1$  for both Al and Cl. Does your prediction from a) match the calculated results?

Answer:

a. Since  $I_1$  increases left-to-right in PTE, Cl should have higher  $I_1$

b. For Al



$$\sigma = 2 \times 0.35 + 8 \times 0.85 + 2 \times 1.00 = 9.50$$

$$Z_{\text{eff}} = 13 - 9.50 = 3.50$$

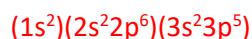
c. For Al

$$I_1(\text{Al}) = \frac{1212.1 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{mol}} \times Z_{\text{eff}}^2}{n^2} = \frac{1312.1 \text{kJ}}{\text{mol}} \times \frac{3.50^2}{3^2}$$

$$= 1785.9 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{mol}}$$

The prediction from a) is matching the calc.

For Cl



$$\sigma = 6 \times 0.35 + 8 \times 0.85 + 2 \times 1.00 = 10.9$$

$$Z_{\text{eff}} = 17 - 10.9 = 6.10$$

For Cl

$$I_1(\text{Cl}) = \frac{1212.1 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{mol}} \times Z_{\text{eff}}^2}{n^2} = \frac{1312.1 \text{kJ}}{\text{mol}} \times \frac{6.10^2}{3^2}$$

$$= 5424.8 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{mol}}$$

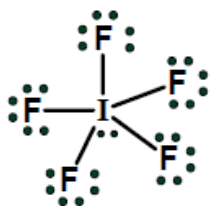
5. (7 marks) The following are questions about iodine pentafluoride,  $\text{IF}_5$ .
- Based on the position of elements, in the periodic table, decide if I–F bond is nonpolar covalent, polar covalent or ionic.
  - Draw a Lewis structure for  $\text{IF}_5$
  - Suggest the most plausible electron and molecular geometry for  $\text{IF}_5$ . Comment on any possible deviation from ideal molecular geometry.
  - Suggest hybridization scheme for your central atom in this molecule.

Answer:

a.

It is polar covalent

b.



c.

Electron geometry is: \_ octahedral \_

Molecular geometry is: \_ square pyramidal \_

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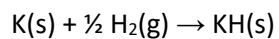
The I – F bond angles are less than  $90^\circ$

d.

$\text{sp}^3\text{d}^2$

6. (10 marks) Consider potassium hydride, KH.

- What type of hydride is KH?
- If  $r(\text{K}^+) = 138 \text{ pm}$  and  $r(\text{H}^-) = 145 \text{ pm}$ , suggest a plausible structure for KH.
- Potassium hydride can be prepared from K(s) and  $\text{H}_2(\text{g})$ :



What type of reaction is this?

- Draw a Hess cycle for this reaction and show how you would determine  $\Delta H_{\text{latt}}$  from the cycle.

Answer:

a.

saline-like / saline / ionic

b.

$138 \text{ pm} / 145 \text{ pm} = 0.952$  ; CsCl-type structure

c.

redox reaction

d.

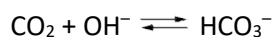
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7. (8 marks) Draw a clear molecular orbital diagram for HCl molecule.

Answer:

8. (5 marks) Identify Lewis acid and Lewis base in the following equilibrium reaction:



- Write the equation for the equilibrium constant for this reaction.
- To which direction (left or right) would equilibrium shift if  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  is added? Explain.

Answer:

$\text{CO}_2$  is Lewis acid;  $\text{OH}^-$  is Lewis base

$$K = \frac{[\text{HCO}_3^-]}{p_{\text{CO}_2} \times [\text{OH}^-]} \text{ or } K = \frac{[\text{HCO}_3^-]}{[\text{CO}_2] \times [\text{OH}^-]}$$

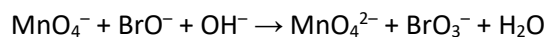
It would shift to the left

9. (2 marks) Estimate  $\text{pK}_{\text{a}4}$  for  $\text{H}_5\text{IO}_6$ .

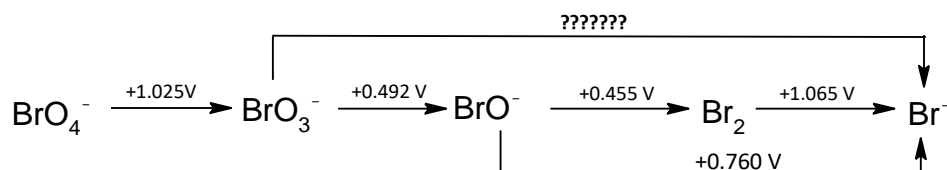
Answer:

$$\text{pK}_{\text{a}1} = 8 - 5 \times 1 = 3 ; \text{pK}_{\text{a}2} = 3 + 5 = 8 ; \text{pK}_{\text{a}3} = 8 + 5 = 13, \text{pK}_{\text{a}4} = 13 + 5 = 18$$

10. (12 marks) Consider the following redox reaction that takes place in a basic aqueous solution:

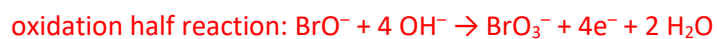


- Write balanced half reactions (e.i. reduction half-reaction and oxidation half-reaction)
- Balance the whole redox reaction
- Determine if the reaction is spontaneous as written above, if the reduction potentials under basic conditions are  $E_{\text{BrO}_3^-, \text{BrO}^-} = +0.492 \text{ V}$  and  $E_{\text{MnO}_4^-, \text{MnO}_4^{2-}} = +0.56 \text{ V}$ .
- Find the missing potential in the Latimer diagram for bromine under basic conditions:



Answer:

a.



b.



c.

$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{red}} - E_{\text{ox}} = +0.56\text{V} - (+0.492\text{V}) = 0.068 \text{ V}$

Since  $E_{\text{cell}} > 0$ ,  $\Delta G < 0$  and the reaction is spontaneous.

d.

$$E_{\text{BrO}_3^-, \text{Br}^-} = \frac{4 \times (+0.492\text{V}) + 1 \times (+0.455\text{V}) + 1 \times (+1.065\text{V})}{4 + 1 + 1} = 0.581 \text{ V}$$



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11. (6 marks) Calculate partial charge ( $\delta$ ) on Si in  $\text{SiCl}_4$  and on Br in  $\text{BrF}_3$  if  $\chi(\text{Si}) = 1.90$ ,  $\chi(\text{Cl}) = 3.15$ ,  $\chi(\text{Br}) = 2.95$  and  $\chi(\text{F}) = 4.00$ .

Answer:

$$\delta(\text{Si}) = 4 - 0 - 2 \times 4 \left( \frac{1.90}{1.90 + 3.15} \right) = 0.99$$

$$\delta(\text{Br}) = 7 - 4 - 2 \times 3 \left( \frac{2.95}{2.95 + 4.00} \right) = 0.45$$

12. (2 marks) Give one example for:

- Industrial production of  $\text{H}_2$  gas
- Laboratory production of  $\text{H}_2$  gas.

Answer:

a.

steam-hydrocarbon reforming ( $\text{CH}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{CO}_2 + 3\text{H}_2$ ); or water-gas shift reaction ( $\text{CO} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2$ ) or carbon-steam reaction ( $\text{C} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{CO} + \text{H}_2$ )

b.

a metal (such as Na, K or Li) with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  or a metal (Al, Zn, etc.) with acid

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**APENDIX: Formulae, tables and plots**

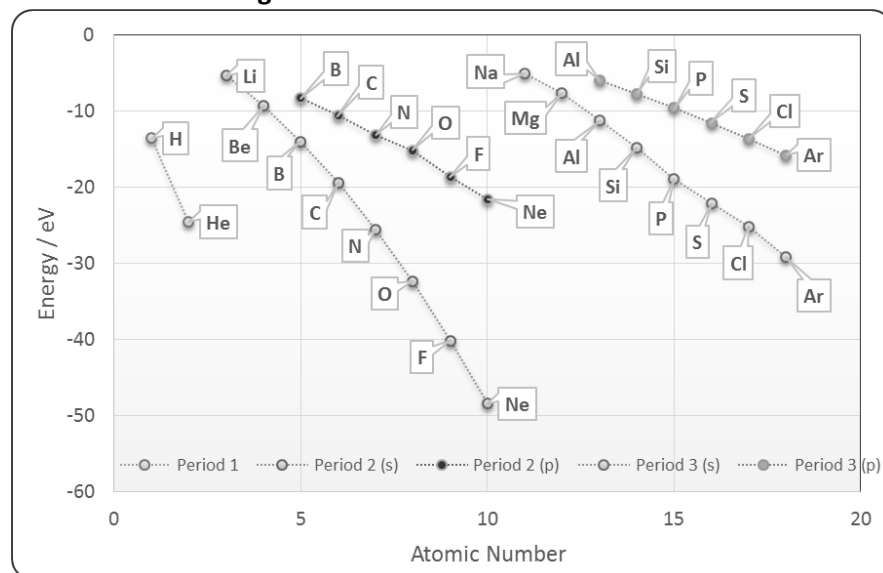
$$I_1 = \frac{1312.1 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{mol}} \times Z_{\text{eff}}^2}{n^2}$$

$$\Delta H_{\text{latt}} = - \frac{1.07 \times 10^5 \times \nu \times |z_+| |z_-|}{r_+ + r_-} \frac{\text{kJ} \times \text{pm}}{\text{mol}}$$

$$E^0 = \frac{n_A E_A^0 + n_B E_B^0 + \dots}{n_A + n_B + \dots}$$

$$\delta = \frac{\text{Number of valence electrons on X}}{\text{Number of lone electrons on X}} - 2 \times \sum_{\text{bonds}} \left( \frac{\chi_x}{\chi_x + \chi_y} \right)$$

**Approximating pKa:**  $\text{pKa}_1 = 8 - 5p$ ,  $\text{pKa}_2 = \text{pKa}_1 + 5$ ,  $\text{pKa}_3 = \text{pKa}_2 + 5$ , .....

**Valence orbital energies****Hybridization schemes for electron geometries**

Steric Number	Electron geometry	Hybridization Scheme(s)
2	Linear	sp, pd, sd
3	Trigonal planar	sp <sup>2</sup> , p <sup>2</sup> d
4	Tetrahedral	sp <sup>3</sup> , sd <sup>3</sup>
5	Trigonal bipyramidal	sp <sup>3</sup> d
6	Octahedral	sp <sup>3</sup> d <sup>2</sup>

**Ratios for structure types:**

Ratio range	AB type	AB <sub>2</sub> type
0.732 – 1	CsCl	CaF <sub>2</sub>
0.414 – 0.732	NaCl	TiO <sub>2</sub>
0.225 – 0.414	ZnS	-

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