

Problem set 1

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1. Materials used for smartphones:

- Copper: metal; for the wires and circuit boards
- Aluminum: metal; used as the casing
- Plastics: polymer; buttons, casing
- Silicon: metal; used in transistors in the smartphone
- Indium tin oxide: ceramic; smartphone display
- Lithium: metal; used in batteries of smartphone
- Iron: metal; screws to hold phone together

2. Incandescent light bulbs are made using:

- Ceramic: To encase the filament so that it does not evaporate. Needs to be resistant to high temperatures in that it does not discolour or break e.g. glass
- Metals: It has to have a high melting point to maintain its physical property at extremely high temperatures (the temp. needed to achieve white light) and be long lasting, a good conductivity to be efficient e.g. tungsten

3. If the total mass of the alloy is M_t , 63.5% of this is copper so $0.635M_t = n_c * M_c$ where M_c is the molar mass of copper (63.55 g/mol). Similarly if 36.5% of the total mass is zinc $0.365M_t = n_z * M_z$ where M_z is the molar mass of zinc (65.41 g/mol).

$$\frac{n_c * M_c}{0.635} = \frac{n_z * M_z}{0.365} \rightarrow \frac{n_c}{n_z} = \frac{0.635M_z}{0.365M_c} = 1.79$$

4. Balanced equation: $C_7H_{16} + 11O_2 \rightarrow 7CO_2 + 8H_2O$. The molar mass of Heptane is 100g/mol. With 100ml of it at a density of 0.6795 g/mol that's $n = \frac{100 * 0.6795}{100}$ which is 0.6795 moles. Each of the stoichiometric coefficients in the reaction are then scaled by this so the amount of CO_2 produced is

$$0.6795 * 7 = 4.75 \text{ moles}$$

5. a) Carbon: $1s^2 2s^2 2p^2$ carbon has $Z = 6$ and is period 2 with group 14. Its core shell is Helium with valence shell of primary quantum number 2 and its valence shell has the orbital 'p'
- b) Calcium: $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 4s^2$ $Z = 20$, $n=4$ so an Argon core shell and a valence shell of s group.
- c) Gallium: $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^1$ $Z = 31$, $n=4$ so an Argon core shell and situated in the p block.
- d) Vanadium: $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^3 4s^2$ $Z=23$, $n=4$, d-block so the building up principle changes.
6. Molar mass of carbon is 12g/mol. there are 6×10^{23} atoms in a mole of carbon so this diamond is an extremely small amount of moles. Mass is approximately $\frac{6 \times 10^{23}}{1 \times 10^{20}} \times 12 = 7.2 \times 10^{-42} g$. In a diamond, Carbon will form a covalent bond with 4 other carbon atoms, sharing electrons in their valence shell. So approximately $\frac{1 \times 10^{20} \times 3}{2} = 1.5 \times 10^{20}$ covalent bonds