

PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY 1 PRACTISE QUESTIONS

- 1 The Pauling electronegativity values of elements can be used to predict the chemical properties of compounds.

Use the information in Table 1.1 to answer the following questions.

Table 1.1

| element | H | Li | C | O | S |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|
| Pauling electronegativity value | 2.1 | 1.0 | 2.5 | 3.5 | 2.6 |
| first ionisation energy/kJ mol ⁻¹ | 1310 | 519 | 1090 | 1310 | 1000 |
| second ionisation energy/kJ mol ⁻¹ | — | 7300 | 2350 | 3390 | 2260 |

- (a) (i) Define electronegativity.

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..... [1]

- (ii) O and S are in Group 16.

Explain the difference in the Pauling electronegativity values of O and S.

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- (b) (i) LiH is an ionic compound.

Draw a dot-and-cross diagram of LiH.

Include **all** electrons.

[2]

- (ii) Suggest the shape of a molecule of H₂S.

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(c) (i) Write an equation that represents the first ionisation energy of H.

..... [1]

(ii) Explain why there is no information given in Table 1.1 for the second ionisation energy of H.

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(iii) Give the full electronic configuration of $S^{2+}(g)$.

..... [1]

(d) CO_2 and SO_2 are acidic gases.

(i) Write an equation for the reaction of SO_2 with H_2O .

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(ii) Write an equation for the reaction of SO_2 with $NaOH$.

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(iii) Construct an equation for the reaction of CO_2 with $Mg(OH)_2$.

..... [1]

- (e) (i) Complete Table 1.2 by placing a tick (\checkmark) to show which of the compounds have molecules with an overall dipole moment.

Table 1.2

| compound | O=C=O | O=S=O | S=C=S | S=C=O |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| overall dipole moment | | | | |

[2]

- (ii) At 150 °C and 103 kPa, all of the compounds listed in Table 1.2 are gases.

Under these conditions, 0.284 g of one of the compounds occupies a volume of 127 cm³.

Use this information to calculate the M_r of the compound. Hence, identify the compound from those given in Table 1.2.

Show your working.

M_r = identity of compound =

[3]

[Total: 17]

The Group 2 elements Mg to Ba are all silvery-white reactive metals.

- (a) (i) Draw a labelled diagram to show the bonding and structure of the Group 2 metals at room temperature.

[2]

- (ii) Explain why Mg has a higher electrical conductivity than Na.

..... [1]

- (b) Write an equation for the reaction of magnesium with cold water.

..... [1]

- (c) Identify a single reagent that can be used to distinguish separate samples of dilute $\text{Mg}(\text{NO}_3)_2\text{(aq)}$ and dilute $\text{Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2\text{(aq)}$.

Explain your answer.

reagent

explanation

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- (d) (i) Describe what is observed when $\text{SrI}_2(\text{aq})$ reacts with concentrated sulfuric acid.

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- (ii) Compound **X**, an anhydrous Group 2 bromide, is dissolved in water and titrated against aqueous silver nitrate.

A solution containing 0.250 g of **X** requires 33.65 cm^3 of $0.0500 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ $\text{AgNO}_3(\text{aq})$ for complete reaction.

Identify **X**.

Show your working.

X = [3]

[Total: 11]

Tellurium is an element in Group 16. The most common isotope of tellurium is ^{130}Te . Its electronic configuration is [Kr] 4d¹⁰ 5s² 5p⁴.

- (a) Complete Table 1.1.

Table 1.1

| | nucleon number | number of neutrons | number of electrons |
|-------------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| ^{130}Te | | | |

[3]

- (b) Identify the sub-shell in an atom of Te that contains electrons with the lowest energy.

..... [1]

- (c) Construct an equation to represent the first ionisation energy of Te.

..... [1]

- (d) (i) The radius of Te ions decreases after each successive ionisation.

State **two** factors that are responsible for the increase in the first six ionisation energies of Te.

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- (ii) Sketch a graph in Fig. 1.1 to show the trend in the first **seven** ionisation energies of Te.

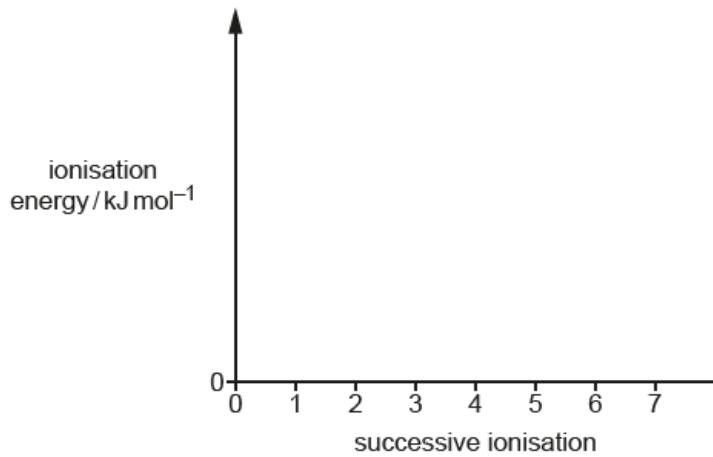


Fig. 1.1

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- (e) Te reacts with F_2 at $150^\circ C$ to form TeF_x . Molecules of TeF_x are octahedral with bond angles of 90° .

Explain why TeF_x is octahedral with bond angles of 90° .

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[2]

- (f) TeF_x reacts with water to form tellurium hydroxide and HF. The oxidation number of tellurium does **not** change during this reaction.

(i) Construct an equation for the reaction of TeF_x with water.

..... [1]

(ii) Name the type of reaction that occurs when TeF_x reacts with water.

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[Total: 13]

A neutralisation reaction occurs when NaOH(aq) is added to H₂SO₄(aq).



- (a) Define enthalpy change of neutralisation, ΔH_{neut}.

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- (b) An experiment is carried out to calculate ΔH_{neut} for the reaction between NaOH(aq) and H₂SO₄(aq).

100 cm³ of 1.00 mol dm⁻³ NaOH(aq) is added to 75 cm³ of 1.00 mol dm⁻³ H₂SO₄(aq) in a polystyrene cup and stirred. Results from the experiment are shown in Table 2.1.

Table 2.1

| | |
|---|------|
| initial temperature of NaOH(aq)/°C | 20.0 |
| initial temperature of H ₂ SO ₄ (aq)/°C | 20.0 |
| maximum temperature of mixture / °C | 27.8 |

- (i) Use equation 1 to calculate the amount, in mol, of H₂SO₄(aq) that is neutralised in the experiment.

amount of H₂SO₄(aq) neutralised = mol [1]

- (ii) Calculate ΔH_{neut} using the results in Table 2.1. Include units in your answer.

Assume that:

- the specific heat capacity of the final solution is 4.18 J g⁻¹ K⁻¹
- 1.00 cm³ of the final solution has a mass of 1.00 g
- there is no heat loss to the surroundings
- full dissociation of H₂SO₄(aq) occurs
- the experiment takes place at constant pressure.

Show your working.

ΔH_{neut} = units

[3]

- 1 The melting points of some solids are shown in Table 1.1.

Table 1.1

| solid | melting point/K |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| magnesium | 923 |
| phosphorus | 317 |
| sodium chloride | 1074 |
| sulfur | 392 |

- (a) (i) State the type of bonding present in magnesium and in sodium chloride.

bonding in magnesium

bonding in sodium chloride

[1]

- (ii) Explain the difference in the melting points of magnesium and sodium chloride.

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..... [1]

- (iii) Explain the difference in the melting points of phosphorus and sulfur in terms of structure and bonding.

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..... [2]

- (b) (i) Define electronegativity.

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- (ii) Explain why electronegativity increases across a period.

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- (iii) Name the strongest intermolecular force that exists between $\text{NH}_3(\text{l})$ molecules.

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- (iv) Draw a diagram to show the formation of the strongest intermolecular force between **two** molecules of $\text{NH}_3(\text{l})$.

Include any relevant lone pairs of electrons and dipoles.

[2]

- (v) The melting points of ice and ammonia are shown in Table 1.2.

Table 1.2

| solid | melting point/K |
|---------|-----------------|
| ice | 273 |
| ammonia | 195 |

Suggest **two** reasons for the difference in the melting points of ice and ammonia.

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[Total: 12]

- 1 The elements phosphorus, sulfur and chlorine are in Period 3 of the Periodic Table.

Table 1.1 shows some properties of the elements P to Cl.

The first ionisation energy of S is **not** shown.

Table 1.1

| property | P | S | Cl |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| number of electrons in 3p subshell | | | |
| total number of unpaired electrons | | | |
| first ionisation energy /kJ mol ⁻¹ | 1060 | | 1260 |
| formula of most common anion | P ³⁻ | S ²⁻ | Cl ⁻ |

- (a) (i) Complete Table 1.1 to show the number of electrons in the 3p subshell and the total number of unpaired electrons in an atom of P, S and Cl. [2]

- (ii) Construct an equation to represent the first ionisation energy of P.

..... [1]

- (iii) Three possible values for the first ionisation energy of S are given.

1000 kJ mol⁻¹

1160 kJ mol⁻¹

1320 kJ mol⁻¹

Circle the correct value.

Explain your choice by comparing your chosen value to those of P and Cl.

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 [4]

(b) P^{3-} , S^{2-} and Cl^- have the same number of electrons.

(i) Give the full electronic configuration of P^{3-} .

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(ii) State the trend in ionic radius shown by P^{3-} , S^{2-} and Cl^- .

Explain your answer.

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..... [2]

(c) A student does three tests on separate samples of $\text{NaCl}(\text{aq})$.

Complete Table 1.2 with the observations the student makes in each test.

Table 1.2

| test | test | observations |
|------|---|--------------|
| 1 | addition of a few drops of $\text{Br}_2(\text{aq})$ | |
| 2 | addition of a few drops of concentrated H_2SO_4 | |
| 3 | addition of a few drops of dilute $\text{AgNO}_3(\text{aq})$ | |

[3]

- (d) POCl_3 shows similar chemical properties to PCl_5 .

POCl_3 has a melting point of 1°C and a boiling point of 106°C .

POCl_3 reacts vigorously with water, forming misty fumes and an acidic solution.

- (i) Explain how the information in (d) suggests the structure and bonding of POCl_3 is simple covalent.
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[2]

- (ii) Construct an equation for the reaction of POCl_3 with water.



- (iii) POCl_3 contains a double covalent bond between P and O.

Complete the dot-and-cross diagram, in Fig. 1.1, to show the bonding in POCl_3 .

Show outer shell electrons only.

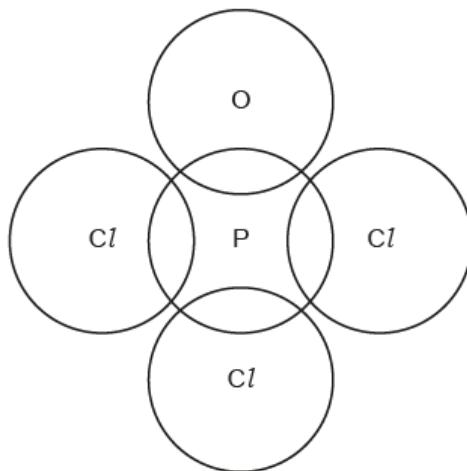


Fig. 1.1

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(e) $\text{POCl}_3(\text{g})$ forms when $\text{PCl}_3(\text{g})$ reacts with $\text{O}_2(\text{g})$.

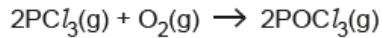


Table 1.3 gives some relevant data.

Table 1.3

| process | value / kJ mol^{-1} |
|---|------------------------------|
| enthalpy change of formation of $\text{PCl}_3(\text{g})$ | -289 |
| enthalpy change of formation of $\text{POCl}_3(\text{g})$ | -592 |
| $\text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 2\text{O}(\text{g})$ | +496 |

(i) Define enthalpy change of formation, ΔH_f .

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[2]

(ii) Calculate the bond energy of P=O in POCl_3 using the data in Table 1.3.

Show your working.

bond energy of P=O = kJ mol^{-1}
[2]

The elements silicon, phosphorus and sulfur are in Period 3 of the Periodic Table.

- (a) (i) Describe the variation in atomic radius from silicon to sulfur.

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- (ii) The melting point of silicon is 1410 °C. The melting point of sulfur is 113 °C.

Explain this difference.

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[3]

- (b) Table 1.1 shows some properties of the elements Si to S.

The first ionisation energy of P is **not** shown.

Table 1.1

| property | Si | P | S |
|--|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| total number of electrons in s subshells | | | |
| total number of electrons in p subshells | | | |
| first ionisation energy/kJ mol ⁻¹ | 786 | | 1000 |
| formula of most common chloride | SiCl ₄ | PCl ₅ | SCl ₂ |

- (i) Complete Table 1.1 to show the total number of s and p electrons in an atom of Si, P and S.

[2]

- (ii) Construct an equation to represent the first ionisation energy of Si.

..... [1]

- (iii) Three possible values for the first ionisation energy of P are given.

619 kJ mol⁻¹

893 kJ mol⁻¹

1060 kJ mol⁻¹

Circle the correct value.

Explain your choice, including a comparison of your chosen value to those of Si and S.

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..... [4]

- (iv) SiCl_4 and PCl_5 each react with water, forming misty fumes.

Identify the chemical responsible for the misty fumes.

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- (v) Predict the shape of the SCl_2 molecule.

..... [1]

[Total: 13]

- 1 Bismuth is an element in Group 15 of the Periodic Table.

- (a) Bismuth has metallic bonding.

Draw a labelled diagram to show the metallic bonding in bismuth.

[1]

- (b) Bismuth reduces water to form bismuth oxide, Bi_2O_3 . A colourless gas that ignites with a squeaky pop also forms.

- (i) Construct an equation for the reduction of water by bismuth.

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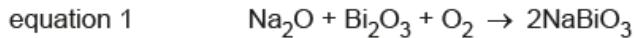
- (ii) Bi_2O_3 is a yellow insoluble solid that melts at 1090K. The molten compound conducts electricity.

Deduce the structure and bonding of Bi_2O_3 . Explain your answer.

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[2]

- (c) Bi_2O_3 can be used to form NaBiO_3 , as shown in equation 1.



- (i) Deduce the oxidation number of Bi in Bi_2O_3 and in NaBiO_3 .

oxidation number of Bi:

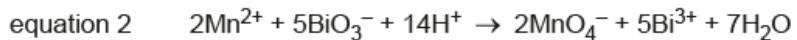
in Bi_2O_3 in NaBiO_3

[1]

- (ii) Identify the reducing agent in equation 1.

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- (e) NaBiO₃ can be used to determine the concentration of Mn²⁺(aq). The ionic equation for the reaction is shown in equation 2.



A student uses the following procedure in an experiment.

- Add 100.0 cm³ of a saturated solution of Mn²⁺(aq) to a volumetric flask.
- Add distilled water to the flask to make a 1.00 dm³ diluted solution.
- Titrate a 25.00 cm³ sample of the diluted solution with 0.100 mol dm⁻³ NaBiO₃(aq).

The 25.00 cm³ sample of the diluted solution of Mn²⁺(aq) reacts completely with exactly 21.50 cm³ of 0.100 mol dm⁻³ NaBiO₃(aq).

Calculate the concentration, in mol dm⁻³, of Mn²⁺(aq) in the saturated solution.

Show your working.

concentration of Mn²⁺(aq) in the saturated solution = mol dm⁻³ [3]

Chlorine, Cl_2 , reacts with many elements and compounds to form chlorides.

Table 2.1 shows information about some chlorides of Period 3 elements.

Table 2.1

| | Na | Mg | Si |
|--|-------|-----|----------|
| formula of chloride | | | |
| structure of chloride | giant | | |
| bonding of chloride | | | covalent |
| pH of solution formed on addition of chloride to water | | 6.2 | |

- (a) Complete Table 2.1. [3]

- (b) When Cl_2 reacts with **cold** NaOH(aq) , Cl_2 is both oxidised and reduced. The products are NaCl , water and **G**.

- (i) State the type of redox reaction in which the same species is both oxidised and reduced.

..... [1]

- (ii) Identify **G**.

..... [1]

- (iii) Write an equation for the reaction between Cl_2 and **hot** NaOH(aq) .

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- (iv) Describe fully what is observed when $\text{AgNO}_3\text{(aq)}$ is added to the aqueous solution of the chloride of sodium, followed by dilute $\text{NH}_3\text{(aq)}$.

..... [2]

- (a) Sulfur chloride, SCl_2 , is a liquid at room temperature. When SCl_2 is added to water, misty fumes are seen and a solution is made that turns universal indicator red.

- (i) Identify the type of reaction that occurs when SCl_2 is added to water.

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- (ii) Name a chloride of a different Period 3 element that is also a liquid at room temperature and produces misty fumes when added to water.

..... [1]

- (b) A molecule of SCl_2 contains two S–Cl covalent bonds.

- (i) Complete the dot-and-cross diagram in Fig. 2.1 to show the arrangement of the outer electrons in a molecule of SCl_2 .

Use x to show electrons from the chlorine atoms.

Use \bullet to show electrons from the sulfur atom.

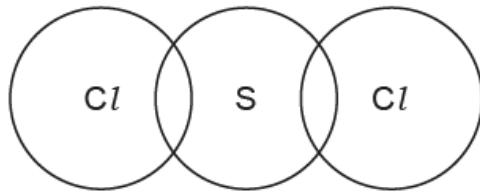


Fig. 2.1

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- (ii) Predict the shape of, and bond angle in, a molecule of SCl_2 by using VSEPR theory.

shape

bond angle

[2]

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- 1 (a) The elements of Group 17 are called halogens.

Complete Table 1.1.

Table 1.1

| halogen | colour at 293K |
|----------|----------------|
| chlorine | |
| bromine | |
| iodine | |

[1]

- (b) State the trend in volatility of the halogens chlorine, bromine and iodine. Explain your answer.

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..... [3]

- (c) Iodine is made by reacting bromine with sodium iodide.

- (i) Construct an ionic equation for the reaction of bromine with sodium iodide.

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- (ii) State the role of bromine in the reaction. Explain your answer.

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..... [1]

- (a) Complete Table 1.1 using relevant information from the Periodic Table.

Table 1.1

| | nucleon number | proton number | number of electrons |
|-----------|----------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Mg^{2+} | 24 | | |
| Al^{3+} | 27 | | |

[2]

- (b) State and explain the difference in the ionic radius of Al^{3+} compared to Mg^{2+} .

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 [3]

- (c) Draw a labelled diagram to show the structure and bonding in sodium.

[1]

- (d) Fig. 1.1 shows the variation in melting point of some Period 3 elements in their standard states at room temperature and pressure.

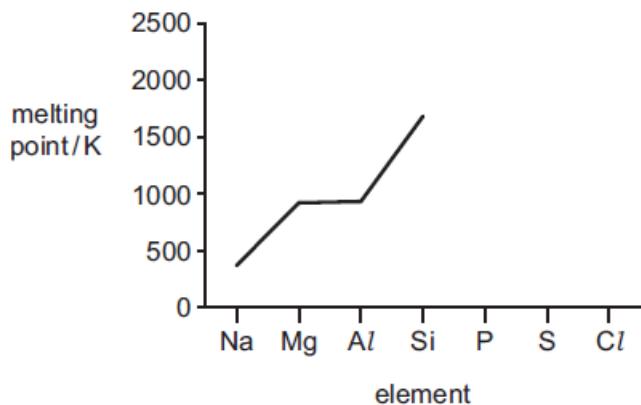


Fig. 1.1

- (i) Explain why Si has a high melting point.

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- (ii) Complete Fig. 1.1 to show the variation in the melting points of the elements P, S and Cl.
[2]

- (a) (i) Explain the lack of reactivity of nitrogen gas, N₂(g).

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- (ii) Covalent bonds can be σ bonds or π bonds.

Complete Table 1.1 to show the number of σ and π bonds in a molecule of N₂ and to describe how the orbitals overlap to form σ and π bonds.

Table 1.1

| | σ bond | π bond |
|-----------------------------------|--------|--------|
| number of bonds in N ₂ | | |
| how the orbitals overlap | | |

[4]

- (b) (i) A sample of Al reacts with an excess of Cl₂.

State the oxidation number of Al in the product of the reaction.

oxidation number of Al [1]

- (ii) State what determines the maximum oxidation number of the Period 3 elements in their oxides.

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[1]

- 3 (a) Write an equation to show the reaction for the standard enthalpy change of formation of H₂O. Include state symbols.

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- (b) Water is one of the products in the reaction of B₂O₃ and NH₃, as shown in reaction 2.

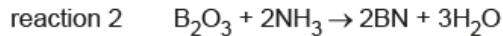


Table 3.1 shows information about the standard enthalpy change of formation, ΔH_f[⊖], of some substances.

Table 3.1

| substance | ΔH _f [⊖] /kJ mol ⁻¹ |
|-------------------------------|--|
| B ₂ O ₃ | -1264 |
| NH ₃ | -46 |
| BN | -134 |
| H ₂ O | -286 |

Calculate the enthalpy change, ΔH, for reaction 2 using the data from Table 3.1.

$$\Delta H = \dots \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} \quad [2]$$

(c) Boron carbide is a hard crystalline solid that has a melting point greater than 2000 °C.

(i) Suggest the structure and bonding in boron carbide.

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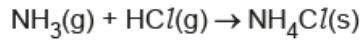
(ii) 100g of pure boron carbide contains 78.26g of boron.

Calculate the empirical formula of boron carbide.

Show your working.

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- (a) $\text{NH}_3(\text{g})$ reacts with $\text{HCl}(\text{g})$ to produce $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}(\text{s})$, as shown.



Draw a diagram to show the ionic, covalent and coordinate bonding present in a formula unit of NH_4Cl .

[2]

- (b) An exothermic reaction occurs when $\text{NH}_4^+(\text{aq})$ is added to $\text{OH}^-(\text{aq})$.

- (i) Identify the type of reaction.

..... [1]

- (ii) Construct an ionic equation for the reaction of NH_4^+ and OH^- .

..... [1]