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Paper 2 AS Level Structured Questions

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1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

INSTRUCTIONS

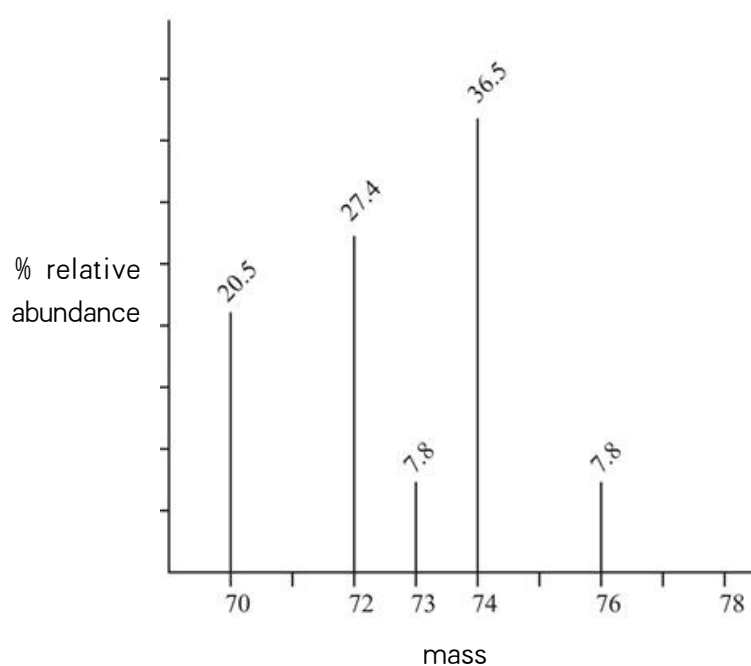
- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, teacher's name and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.
- You should show all your working and use appropriate units.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].
- The Periodic Table is printed in the question paper.
- Important values, constants and standards are printed in the question paper.

1 Germanium is an element in Group 14. It is used as a semiconductor in transistors and various other electronic devices.

- (a) A sample of germanium is analysed using a mass spectrometer. The mass spectrum produced is shown.



- (i) Explain what is meant by the term relative atomic mass.

the (weighted) average mass of one atom of an element (1)

compared to  $1/12$  the mass of an atom of carbon-12 (1)

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- (ii) Calculate the relative atomic mass of gallium in this sample.

Give your answer to one decimal place.

Show your working.

$$\frac{(70 \times 20.5) + (72 \times 27.4) + (73 \times 7.8) + (74 \times 36.5) + (76 \times 7.8)}{100} \quad (1)$$

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= 72.7

(1)

relative atomic mass = .....

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(b) Complete the table which describes a gaseous atom of germanium.

isotope	nucleon number	total number of electrons in <b>lowest</b> energy level	type of orbital which contains the electron in the <b>highest</b> energy level
$^{74}_{32}\text{Ge}$	74	2	p

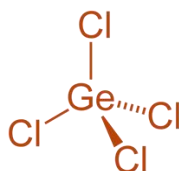
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(c) When germanium is heated in excess chlorine, germanium tetrachloride,  $\text{GeCl}_4$ , is made.

Draw the shape of the ~~gallium trichloride~~ germanium tetrachloride molecule and suggest the Cl – Ge – Cl bond angle.

shape of molecule

name from the original question was left on the paper, but students told of the correction – so accept either a Ge or Ga – but must be tetrahedral

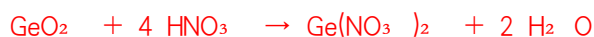


bond angle .....  $109^\circ$  .....

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(d) Germanium oxide,  $\text{GeO}_2$ , will react with hot concentrated acids and molten alkalis.

(i) Suggest the equation for the reaction between  $\text{GeO}_2$  and  $\text{HNO}_3$ .



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(ii) Suggest an equation for the reaction between germanium oxide and  $\text{NaOH}$ .

M1 *Identity of correct germanium containing product*



M2 *correctly balance equation*

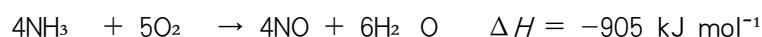


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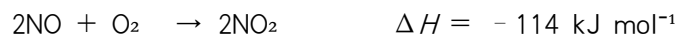
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2 Nitric acid can be made from ammonia in a 3-stage process.

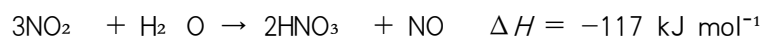
**Stage 1** Ammonia is oxidised by oxygen from the air, to form nitrogen monoxide and water.  
This reaction is carried out at 8 kPa and 900 ° C in the presence of a platinum catalyst.



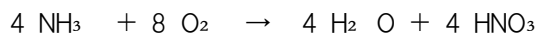
**Stage 2** Nitrogen monoxide is cooled to 250 ° C and reacts with more oxygen to form nitrogen dioxide.



**Stage 3** Nitrogen dioxide reacts with water to make nitric acid and nitrogen monoxide.



(a) (i) Construct an overall balanced equation for the production of nitric acid from ammonia and oxygen.



[1]

(ii) Calculate the overall enthalpy change for the production of 1 mole of nitric acid.

$$(-905) + (-114 \times 3) + (-117 \times 2) = -1364 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} \text{ for the equation}$$

$$-1364/4 = -341 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} \text{ per mol HNO}_3$$

[1]

(b) Draw a 'dot-and-cross' diagram to show the arrangement of outer electrons in a molecule of ammonia.



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- (c) (i) Give the oxidation numbers of nitrogen in the nitrogen-containing species for the reaction in **stage 3**.

$\text{NO}_2$     **+4**

$\text{HNO}_3$     **+5**

$\text{NO}$     **+2**                    (1) any two correct  
    (2) all three correct

[2]

- (ii) Explain why the reaction in stage 3 is described as a disproportionation reaction. Include reference to transfer of electrons in your answer.

*relates the term disproportionation to the reaction described*

**M1** nitrogen /N (in nitrogen dioxide) is both gaining electrons and losing electrons during the reaction

**M2** *refer to relevant transfer of electrons when  $\text{NO}_2$  reacts to form  $\text{HNO}_3$  and  $\text{NO}$*   
 $\text{NO}_2$  to  $\text{HNO}_3$  involves loss of electron(s)

**AND**

$\text{NO}_2$  to  $\text{NO}$  involves gain of electron(s)

[2]

- (d) Identify one natural and one man-made occurrence of nitrogen oxides in the atmosphere.

natural            **thunderstorms**

man-made       **power stations / cars**

[2]

- (e) Ammonia is a basic gas.

Describe how ammonia is able to act as a base.

**the lone pair can form a dative bond with a proton (owtte)**

[1]

[Total: 10]

- 3 The Group 16 elements show a change from non-metallic to metallic character down the group.

- (a) Table 3.1 shows some properties of two Group 16 elements, O and Te, in their standard states. The table is incomplete.

**Table 3.1**

	oxygen	tellurium
state and appearance in standard state	colourless gas	silvery solid
electrical conductivity	poor	good
type of bonding	covalent	metallic
type of structure	simple	giant

(iii) Complete table 3.1.  
[3]

(iv) Explain why tellurium has good electrical conductivity.

as a metal it has delocalised electrons

[1]

(v) Tellurium has two allotropes. Define allotrope.

the same element but different structure (owtte)

[1]

- (b) Fig. 3.2 shows the boiling points of the simplest hydrides of the Group 16 elements, O to Te.

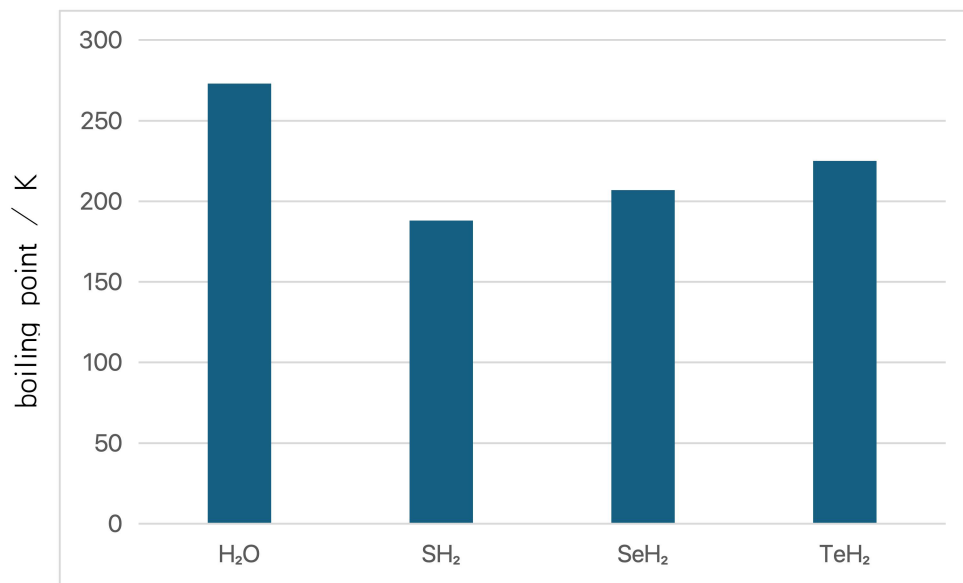


Figure 3.2

- (i) Explain the trend in the boiling points of the Group 16 hydrides shown in Fig. 3.2.

water is the highest due to hydrogen bonding (1)

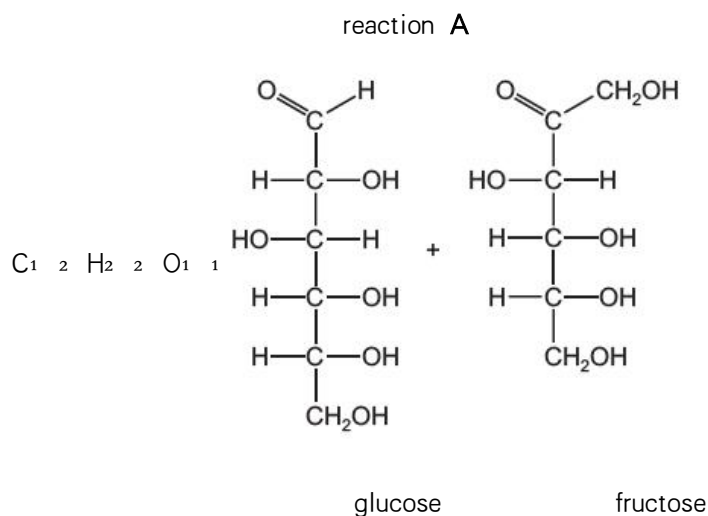
the rest increase in boiling point due to increased van der Waals / London dispersion forces (with increasing electron number) (1)

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- 4 Sucrose,  $C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$ , reacts with water to form glucose and fructose in reaction A.



- (a) Suggest a name for this type of reaction.

hydrolysis

[1]

- (b) Explain why glucose and fructose are a pair of structural isomers. Your answer should refer specifically to these two molecules.

M1 both have molecular formula -  $C_6H_{12}O_6$

M2 idea that in glucose and fructose there are the same number and type of atoms present but the atoms are arranged in a different order ie one has a carbonyl group at the end of the chain/molecule and the other has a carbonyl group in the middle of the chain/molecule

[2]

- (c) Reaction A occurs faster in the presence of an enzyme. This is reaction B.

- (i) Estimate values for the activation energy for reaction A and the enthalpy change for reaction B.

	activation energy /kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>	enthalpy change /kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>
reaction A	more than +29	-14
reaction B	+29	-14

[2]

- (ii) Sketch a labelled energy level diagram for reaction B. Use relevant values from (c)(i).



**M1** show the energy of the reactants > products AND label  $\Delta H$  using the predicted value given in (i)

**M2** show the energy of the reactants > products AND label  $\Delta H$  using the predicted value given in (i)

[2]

- (d) 1.00g of glucose,  $C_6H_{12}O_6$ , is completely combusted. The heat energy produced is used to increase the temperature of 250 g of water inside a calorimeter from  $25.0^\circ C$  to  $32.8^\circ C$ .

These data can be used to calculate the enthalpy change of combustion of glucose.

- (i) Explain what is meant by the term enthalpy change of combustion of glucose.

**M1** (enthalpy change) when 1 mole of glucose

**M2** burns/combusts/reacts in excess air/oxygen

OR

completely burns/combusts/reacts in air/oxygen

[2]

- (ii) Calculate the enthalpy change, in  $kJ\ mol^{-1}$ , for the combustion of glucose.

Assume that all of the heat energy produced is transferred to the water.

Show your working.

**M1** for finding amount of energy released per gram of sucrose using  $\Delta H / Q = mc\Delta T$   
 $= (-)250 \times 4.18 \times (32.8 - 25) = (-)8151\ J\ per\ gram$  OR  $(-)8.151\ kJ / g$

**M2** for finding amount (mol) glucose in 1g =  $1/180\ mol$

$$M3 = M1 / (M2 \times 1000)$$

$$\Delta H = -1470 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} \text{ (3 sig figs) OR } -1467 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} \text{ (4 sig figs)}$$

enthalpy change of combustion of ~~sucrose~~ glucose = .....  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$   
[3]

(iii) Estimate a value for the enthalpy change of combustion of fructose.

*same value as (ii)*

[1]

[Total: 13]

- 5 An unlabelled bottle contains a straight-chain halogenoalkane, **P**. The molecular formula of **P** is  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{X}$ , where **X** is a halogen; bromine, chlorine or iodine.

(a) A test is carried out to identify the halogen present in **P**.

A sample of **P** is added to  $\text{NaOH(aq)}$  and warmed. Dilute nitric acid is then added followed by a few drops of aqueous silver nitrate. A cream precipitate is observed.

(i) Suggest the identity of **X**.

*bromine / Br*

[1]

(ii) Write an ionic equation to describe the formation of the cream precipitate. Include state symbols.



[1]

(iii) Describe a further test which would confirm the identity of **X**.

*M1 reagent*

*Add (aqueous) ammonia*

*M2 expected result*

*EITHER (Dilute ammonia) – partial amount precipitate dissolves OR not much precipitate dissolves*

*OR add concentrated ammonia – precipitate dissolves*

[2]

(b) The reaction of **P** with  $\text{NaOH(aq)}$  tends to proceed via an  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$  mechanism.

(ii) Suggest the structure of the straight-chain halogenoalkane **P**.



[1]

- (iii) Explain why the reaction tends to proceed via an  $S_N2$  mechanism rather than an  $S_N1$  mechanism.

M1 primary /  $1^\circ$  (carbo)cation formed is not very stable

M2 EITHER (as) only one alkyl group exerting an inductive effect

OR only one alkyl group so the charge is (more) localised on the  $C^+$

[2]

- (iv) Draw a labelled mechanism of the reaction between P and hydroxide ions. Include all relevant dipoles, lone pairs and curly arrows in your answer.

M1  $\delta^+C-Br\delta^-$  dipole AND hydroxide lone pair AND hydroxide charge shown

M2 curly arrow from  $HO^-$  to  $C\delta^+$  AND from  $C-Br$  bond to Br atom shown

M3 butan-1-ol and  $Br^-$  shown as products

[3]

- (c) Two different halogenoalkanes, Q and R, both with the molecular formula  $C_4H_9Cl$ , are separately dissolved in ethanol and heated under reflux with sodium hydroxide.

The major organic product of each of these reactions is methylpropene.

- (i) Name the type of reaction occurring.

elimination

[1]

- (ii) Write an equation, using molecular formulae, to represent the reaction occurring.



[1]

- (iii) Draw the structure of methylpropene.



[1]

- (iv) Give the names of P and R. (this should have been Q and R, so accept any two answers)

Q/R 2-chloro(-2-)methylpropane / 1-chloro(-2-)methylpropane

P 1-bromobutane

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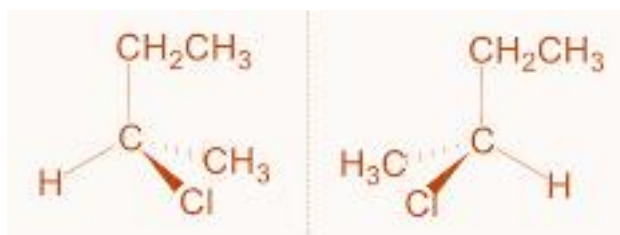
(d) There is a structural isomer, **S**, of  $C_4H_9Cl$  which displays optical isomerism.

(i) Explain what is meant by optical isomerism.

*two compounds which contain the same number and kinds of atoms, and bonds (i.e., the connectivity between atoms is the same), and different spatial arrangements of the atoms, but which have non-superimposable mirror images*

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(ii) Draw the two optical isomers of **S**.



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molar gas constant	$R = 8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
Faraday constant	$F = 9.65 \times 10^4 \text{ C mol}^{-1}$
Avogadro constant	$L = 6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
electronic charge	$e = -1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
molar volume of gas	$V_m = 22.4 \text{ dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ at s.t.p. (101 kPa and 273 K) $V_m = 24.0 \text{ dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ at room conditions
ionic product of water	$K_w = 1.00 \times 10^{-14} \text{ mol}^2 \text{ dm}^{-6}$ (at 298 K (25 ° C))
specific heat capacity of water	$c = 4.18 \text{ kJ kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ (4.18 J g <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup> )



The Periodic Table of Elements

Group																	
1	2											13	14	15	16	17	18
<div>Key</div> <div>atomic number</div> <div>atomic symbol</div> <div>name</div> <div>relative atomic mass</div>							1										
							H										
							hydrogen										
3	4											5	6	7	8	9	10
Li	Be											B	C	N	O	F	Ne
lithium	beryllium											boron	carbon	nitrogen	oxygen	fluorine	neon
6.9	9.0											10.8	12.0	14.0	16.0	19.0	20.2
11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Na	Mg											Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
sodium	magnesium											aluminium	silicon	phosphorus	sulfur	chlorine	argon
23.0	24.3											27.0	28.1	31.0	32.1	35.5	39.9
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
potassium	calcium	scandium	titanium	vanadium	chromium	manganese	iron	cobalt	nickel	copper	zinc	gallium	germanium	arsenic	selenium	bromine	krypton
39.1	40.1	45.0	47.9	50.9	52.0	54.9	55.8	58.9	58.7	63.5	65.4	69.7	72.6	74.9	79.0	79.9	83.8
37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
rubidium	strontium	yttrium	zirconium	niobium	molybdenum	technetium	ruthenium	rhodium	palladium	silver	cadmium	indium	tin	antimony	tellurium	iodine	xenon
85.5	87.6	88.9	91.2	92.9	95.9	—	101.1	102.9	106.4	107.9	112.4	114.8	118.7	121.8	127.6	126.9	131.3
55	56	57–71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86
Cs	Ba	lanthanoids	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
caesium	barium		hafnium	tantalum	tungsten	rhenium	osmium	iridium	platinum	gold	mercury	thallium	lead	bismuth	polonium	astatine	radon
132.9	137.3		178.5	180.9	183.8	186.2	190.2	192.2	195.1	197.0	200.6	204.4	207.2	209.0	—	—	—
87	88	89–103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118
Fr	Ra	actinoids	Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt	Ds	Rg	Cn	Nh	Fl	Mc	Lv	Ts	Og
francium	radium		rutherfordium	dubnium	seaborgium	bohrium	hassium	meitnerium	darmstadtium	roentgenium	copernicium	nihonium	flerovium	moscovium	livermorium	tennessine	oganesson
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lanthanoids	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71
	La	Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu
	lanthanum	cerium	praseodymium	neodymium	promethium	samarium	euroium	gadolinium	terbium	dysprosium	holmium	erbium	thulium	ytterbium	lutetium
	138.9	140.1	140.9	144.2	—	154.4	152.0	157.3	158.9	162.5	164.9	167.3	168.9	173.1	175.0
actinoids	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103
	Ac	Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr
	actinium	thorium	protactinium	uranium	neptunium	plutonium	americium	curium	berkelium	californium	einsteinium	fermium	mendelevium	nobelium	lawrencium
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