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A Level Chemistry A

H432/01 Periodic table, elements and physical chemistry

Time allowed: 2 hours 15 minutes



You must have:

- the Data Sheet for Chemistry A

You can use:

- a scientific or graphical calculator
- an HB pencil



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INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink. You can use an HB pencil, but only for graphs and diagrams.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided. If you need extra space use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Where appropriate, your answer should be supported with working. Marks might be given for using a correct method, even if your answer is wrong.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **100**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document has **28** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

SECTION A

You should spend a maximum of 20 minutes on this section.

Write your answer to each question in the box provided.

Answer all the questions.

1 Several students titrate 25.00 cm^3 of the same solution of sodium hydroxide, $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$ with hydrochloric acid, $\text{HCl}(\text{aq})$.

One student obtains a smaller titre than the other students.

Which procedure explains the smaller titre?

- A The burette readings are taken from the top of the meniscus instead of the bottom of the meniscus.
- B The conical flask is rinsed with water before carrying out the titration.
- C An air bubble is released from the jet of the burette during the titration.
- D The pipette is rinsed with water before filling with $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$.

Your answer

[1]

2 Which statement gives the numerical value of the Avogadro constant?

- A The number of moles in 12g of carbon-12.
- B The number of electrons lost by 20.05 g of calcium when it reacts with oxygen.
- C The number of molecules in 16.0 g of oxygen.
- D The number of atoms in 1 mole of chlorine molecules.

Your answer

[1]

3 0.80 g of element X is reacted with 0.40 g of O₂ to form an oxide with the formula X₂O₃.

What is the identity of element X?

- A Aluminium
- B Titanium
- C Germanium
- D Molybdenum

Your answer

[1]

4 Phosphoric acid is a tribasic acid.

What is the mass of Ca(OH)₂ that completely neutralises 100 cm³ of 0.100 mol dm⁻³ phosphoric acid?

- A 0.49 g
- B 0.74 g
- C 1.11 g
- D 2.22 g

Your answer

[1]

5 Which statement about elements in the d block of Period 4 of the periodic table is correct?

- A Cr atoms have the electron configuration: 1s²2s²2p⁶3s²3p⁶3d⁵4s¹.
- B Cu⁺ ions contain an incomplete 3d sub-shell.
- C Fe²⁺ ions contain 3 unpaired electrons.
- D Sc forms ions with different oxidation states.

Your answer

[1]

6 The equation for the combustion of C_7H_8 is shown in the following equation.



Enthalpy changes of formation are shown in the table.

Substance	$C_7H_8(l)$	$CO_2(g)$	$H_2O(l)$
$\Delta_f H/kJ\ mol^{-1}$	+12	-394	-286

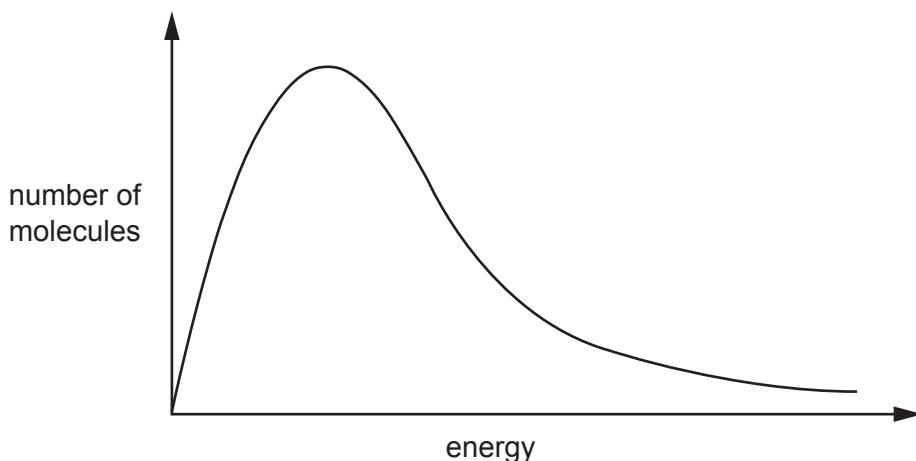
Calculate the enthalpy of combustion, in $kJ\ mol^{-1}$, for the hydrocarbon C_7H_8 .

- A -3914
- B -692
- C +692
- D +3914

Your answer

[1]

7 The diagram represents a Boltzmann distribution curve of molecules at a given temperature.



Which statement for this Boltzmann distribution curve is correct at a higher temperature?

- A The peak increases in height and moves to the left.
- B The peak increases in height and moves to the right.
- C The peak decreases in height and moves to the left.
- D The peak decreases in height and moves to the right.

Your answer

[1]

8 A graph is plotted of $\ln(k)$ against $1/T$.
(k = rate constant, T = temperature in K)

The gradient has the numerical value of $-55\,000$.

What is the activation energy, in kJ mol^{-1} ?

A $+1.5 \times 10^{-7}$

B $+2.22 \times 10^{-6}$

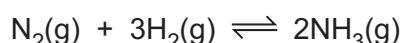
C $+6.62$

D $+457$

Your answer

[1]

9 The reversible reaction of nitrogen and hydrogen to form ammonia is shown below.



In the equilibrium mixture, the partial pressure of N_2 is $18.75\,\text{MPa}$ and the partial pressure of H_2 is $2.50\,\text{MPa}$.

The total pressure is $25\,\text{MPa}$.

What is the value of K_p , in MPa^{-2} ?

A 1.2×10^{-4}

B 0.048

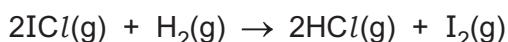
C 0.075

D 21

Your answer

[1]

10 The equation for the reaction of ICl and H_2 is shown below.



The rate constant k for this reaction is $1.63 \times 10^{-6} \text{ dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$.

What is the overall order of the reaction?

- A 0
- B 1
- C 2
- D 3

Your answer

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11 20 cm^3 of 0.10 mol dm^{-3} hydrochloric acid is added to 10 cm^3 of 0.10 mol dm^{-3} sodium hydroxide.

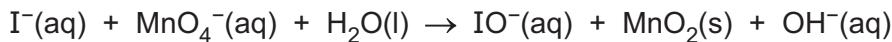
What is the pH of the resulting mixture?

- A 1.00
- B 1.18
- C 1.30
- D 1.48

Your answer

[1]

12 Iodide ions, $\text{I}^-(\text{aq})$, react with $\text{MnO}_4^-(\text{aq})$. The unbalanced equation is shown below.



What is the ratio of $\text{MnO}_2(\text{s})$ to $\text{OH}^-(\text{aq})$ in the balanced equation?

- A 1 : 3
- B 1 : 2
- C 1 : 1
- D 3 : 2

Your answer

[1]

13 Which statement(s) is/are correct when a catalyst is added to a system in dynamic equilibrium?

- 1 The rates of the forward and reverse reactions increase by the same amount.
- 2 The concentrations of the reactants and products do not change.
- 3 The value of K_c increases.

A 1, 2 and 3

B Only 1 and 2

C Only 2 and 3

D Only 1

Your answer

[1]

14 Which statement(s) for Group 2 elements is/are correct?

- 1 The 2nd ionisation energy of magnesium is greater than the 2nd ionisation energy of calcium.
- 2 A strontium ion, Sr^{2+} , contains a total of 6 electrons in s orbitals.
- 3 The equation for the reaction of barium with water is:
 $2\text{Ba} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2\text{BaOH} + \text{H}_2$.

A 1, 2 and 3

B Only 1 and 2

C Only 2 and 3

D Only 1

Your answer

[1]

15 Which statement(s) for the complex ion $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2)_3]^{2+}$ is/are correct?

- 1 It has *cis* and *trans* isomers.
- 2 It has optical isomers.
- 3 It is six-fold coordination.

A 1, 2 and 3

B Only 1 and 2

C Only 2 and 3

D Only 1

Your answer

[1]

SECTION B

Answer **all** the questions.

16 This question is about magnesium, bromine and magnesium bromide.

(a) Relative atomic mass is defined as 'the weighted mean mass compared with 1/12th mass of carbon-12'.

Explain what is meant by the term **weighted mean mass**.

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(b) (i) Draw a 'dot-and-cross' diagram for MgBr_2 .

Show outer electron shells only.

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(ii) Calculate the total number of **ions** in 1.74 g of magnesium bromide, MgBr_2 .

Give your answer to **3** significant figures.

number of ions = [3]

(c)* **Table 16.1** shows some physical properties of magnesium, bromine and magnesium bromide.

Substance	Melting point/°C	Electrical conductivity	
		Solid	Liquid
Magnesium	711	Good	Good
Bromine	-7	Poor	Poor
Magnesium bromide	650	Poor	Good

Table 16.1

Explain the physical properties shown in **Table 16.1** using your knowledge of structure and bonding. [6]

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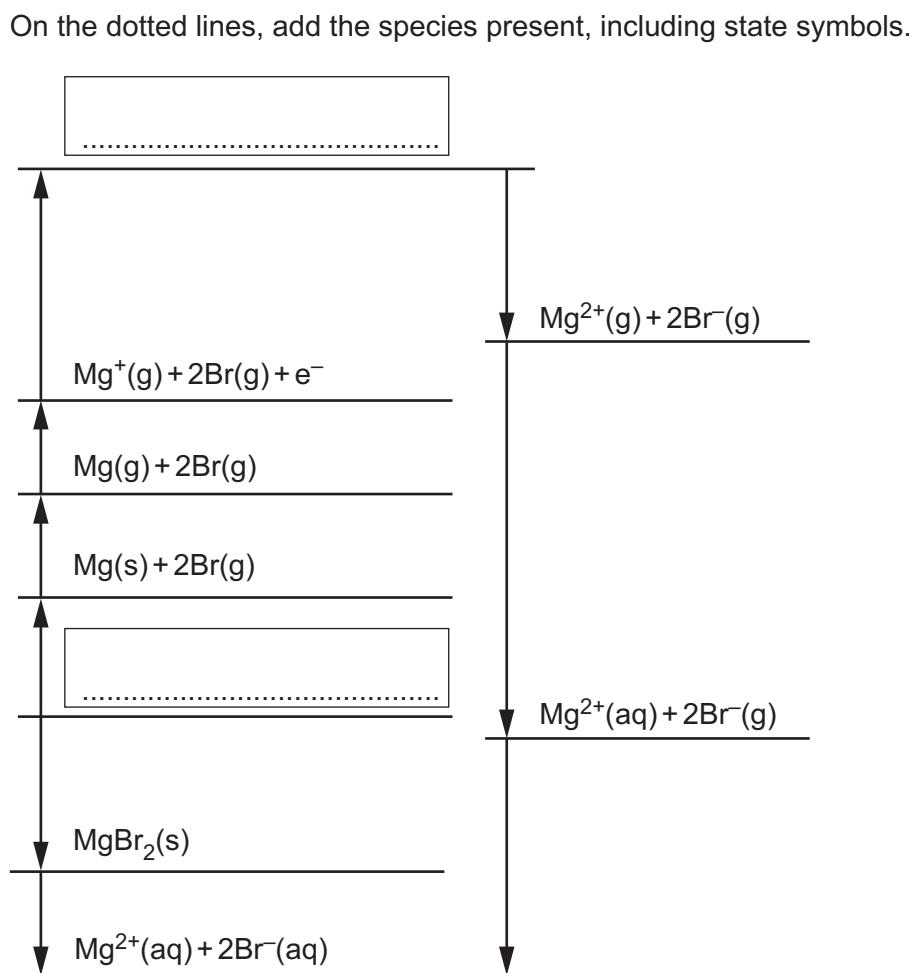
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(d) The enthalpy change of hydration of bromide ions can be determined using the enthalpy changes in **Table 16.2**.

Enthalpy change	Energy / kJ mol^{-1}
1st ionisation energy of magnesium	+736
2nd ionisation energy of magnesium	+1450
atomisation of bromine	+112
atomisation of magnesium	+148
electron affinity of bromine	-325
formation of magnesium bromide	-525
hydration of bromide ion	to be calculated
hydration of magnesium ion	-1926
solution of magnesium bromide	-186

Table 16.2

(i) An incomplete energy cycle based on **Table 16.2** is shown below.



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(ii) Using your completed energy cycle in 16(d)(i), calculate the enthalpy change of hydration of bromide ions.

enthalpy change of hydration = kJ mol^{-1} [2]

(iii) Write the equation for the lattice enthalpy of magnesium bromide and calculate the lattice enthalpy of magnesium bromide.

Equation

Calculation

lattice enthalpy = kJ mol^{-1} [3]

17 Methanol, CH_3OH , can be made industrially by the reaction of carbon monoxide with hydrogen, as shown in **equilibrium 1**.



Equilibrium 1

(a) Predict the conditions of pressure and temperature that would give the maximum equilibrium yield of CH_3OH in **equilibrium 1**.

Explain your answer.

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(b) A catalyst is used in the production of methanol in **equilibrium 1**.

State **two** ways that the use of catalysts helps chemical companies to make their processes more sustainable and less harmful to the environment.

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[2]

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(c) Standard entropy values are given below.

Substance	CO(g)	H ₂ (g)	CH ₃ OH(g)
S [⊖] /JK ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹	198	131	238

A chemist proposed producing methanol at 525 K using **equilibrium 1**.

Explain, with a calculation, whether the production of methanol is feasible at 525K.

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(d) At 298 K, the free energy change, ΔG , for the production of methanol in **equilibrium 1** is $-2.48 \times 10^4 \text{ J mol}^{-1}$.

ΔG is linked to K_p by the relationship: $\Delta G = -RT \ln K_p$.

R = gas constant

R = gas constant
 T = temperature in K.

Calculate K_p for **equilibrium 1** at 298 K.

Give your answer to **3** significant figures.

$$K_p = \dots \text{ units} \dots [3]$$

18 This question is about reactions and uses of the weak acids methanoic acid, HCOOH, and ethanoic acid, CH_3COOH .

(a) A student adds magnesium metal to an aqueous solution of ethanoic acid, CH_3COOH . A redox reaction takes place.

Write the overall equation for this reaction and explain, in terms of oxidation numbers, which element has been oxidised and which element has been reduced.

Equation

Oxidation

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Reduction

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[3]

(b) The K_a values of HCOOH and CH_3COOH are shown in **Table 18.1**.

Weak acid	$K_a/\text{mol dm}^{-3}$
HCOOH	1.82×10^{-4}
CH_3COOH	1.78×10^{-5}

Table 18.1

A student adds methanoic acid to ethanoic acid.

An equilibrium is set up containing two acid-base pairs.

Complete the equilibrium and label the conjugate acid-base pairs as **A1, B1** and **A2, B2**.



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[2]

(c) Use **Table 18.1** to answer the following questions.

(i) The student measures the pH of CH_3COOH (aq) as 2.72.

Show that the concentration of the CH_3COOH (aq) is $0.204 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$.

[2]

(ii) The student plans to make a buffer solution of pH 4.00 from a mixture of CH_3COOH (aq) and sodium ethanoate, CH_3COONa (aq).

The student mixes 400 cm^3 of $0.204 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ CH_3COOH (aq) with 600 cm^3 of CH_3COONa (aq).

Calculate the concentration of CH_3COONa (aq) needed to prepare this buffer solution of pH 4.00.

concentration = mol dm^{-3} [4]

19 Standard electrode potentials for four redox systems are shown in **Table 19.1**.

Redox system	Half-equation	E^\ominus/V
1	$\text{CO}_2(\text{g}) + 2\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{HCOOH}(\text{aq})$	-0.11
2	$\text{HCOOH}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{HCHO}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$	-0.03
3	$\text{Ag}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Ag}(\text{s})$	+0.80
4	$\text{MnO}_4^-(\text{aq}) + 8\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + 5\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Mn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 4\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$	+1.51

Table 19.1

(a) A student sets up a standard cell in the laboratory based on redox systems **3** and **4**.

Draw a labelled diagram to show how this cell could be set up to measure its standard cell potential at 298 K.

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(b) A student warms a mixture of methanal, HCHO , and acidified potassium manganate(VII).

The student observes gas bubbles.

Explain this observation in terms of electrode potentials and equilibria.

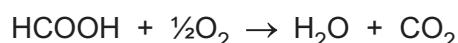
Include overall equations in your answer.

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(c) Methanoic acid, HCOOH , can be used in a fuel cell. As with all fuel cells, the fuel (HCOOH) is supplied at one electrode and the oxidant (oxygen) at the other electrode.

The standard cell potential for this fuel cell is 1.34 V.

The overall reaction is shown below.



Using the information in **Table 19.1**, deduce the half-equation for the reaction at the oxygen electrode, and calculate the standard electrode potential for the oxygen half-cell.

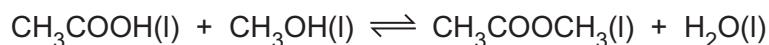
half-equation

standard electrode potential = V

[2]

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20 A student investigates the reaction between ethanoic acid, $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}(\text{l})$ and methanol, $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}(\text{l})$, in the presence of an acid catalyst. The equation is shown below.

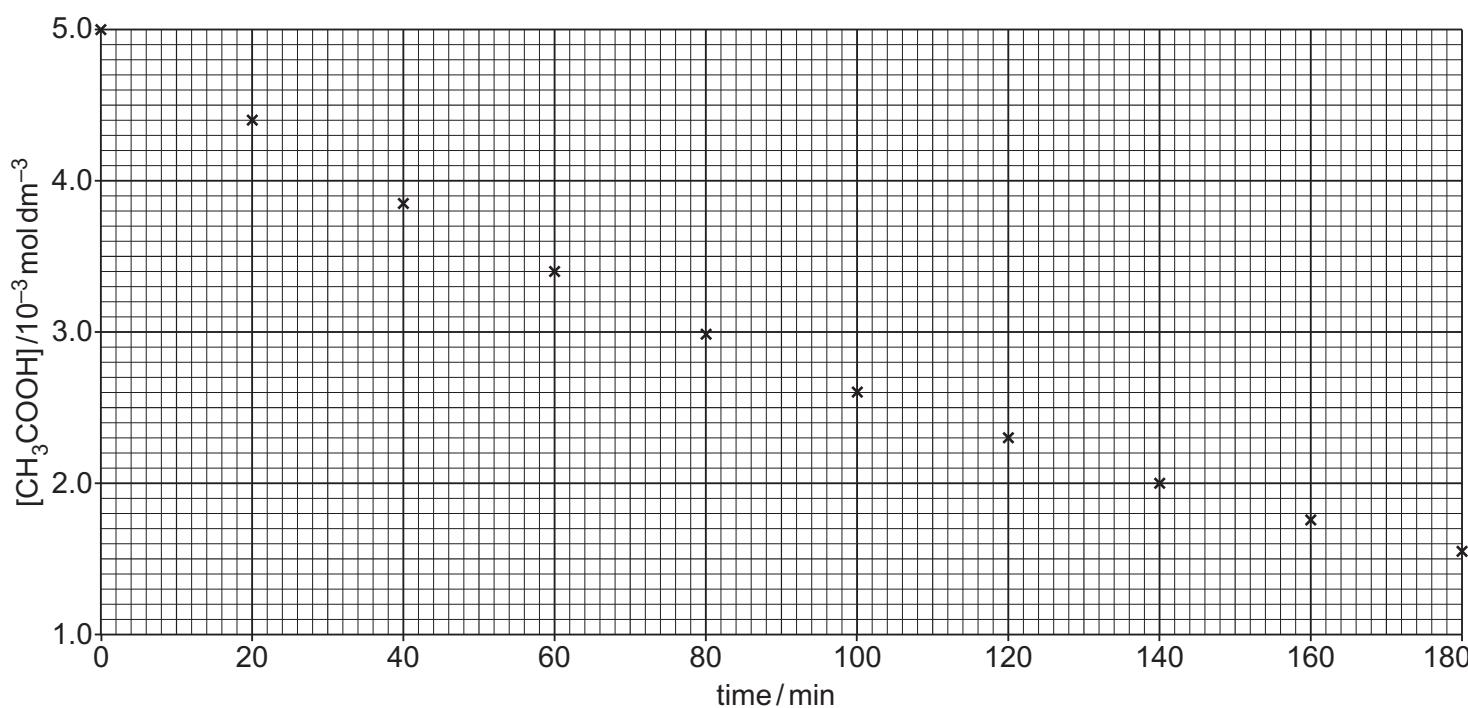


(a) The student carries out an experiment to determine the order of reaction with respect to CH_3COOH .

The student uses a large excess of CH_3OH . The temperature is kept constant throughout the experiment.

The student takes a sample from the mixture every 20 minutes, and then determines the concentration of the ethanoic acid in each sample.

From the experimental results, the student plots the graph below.



(i) Explain why the student uses a large excess of methanol in this experiment.

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(ii) Use the half-life of this reaction to show that the reaction is first order with respect to CH_3COOH .

Show your working on the graph and below.

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[2]

(iii) Determine the initial rate of reaction.

initial rate = $\text{mol dm}^{-3} \text{ min}^{-1}$ [2]

(b) The student carries out a second experiment to determine the value of K_c for this reaction.

The student mixes 9.6 g of CH_3OH with 12.0 g of CH_3COOH and adds the acid catalyst.

When the mixture reaches equilibrium, 0.030 mol of CH_3COOH remains.

Calculate K_c for this equilibrium.

K_c = [4]

21 This question is about halogens.

(a) A student adds a solution of bromine in an organic solvent to two test tubes.

The student adds aqueous sodium chloride to one test tube, and aqueous sodium iodide to the other test tube.

The student shakes the mixtures, allows them to settle, and records the colour of the organic layer in each mixture.

Sodium halide	Colour of organic layer
Sodium chloride	orange
Sodium iodide	violet

Explain how the student's results provide evidence for the trend in reactivity of the halogens down group 17(7) and write an ionic equation for any reaction that takes place.

Use your chemical knowledge to explain the trend in reactivity.

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(b) Chlorine is used in water treatment.

State **one** benefit and **one** risk of using chlorine in water treatment.

Benefit

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Risk

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[1]

(c) Compound **A** contains bromine and fluorine only, and has a boiling point of 41 °C.

1.26g of compound **A** is heated to 80 °C.

The volume of gas produced is 0.209 dm³.

Under the conditions used, 1 mol of gas molecules has a volume of 29.0 dm³.

Determine the molecular formula of compound **A**.

molecular formula = [3]

22 (a)* **B** and **C** are compounds of two different transition elements.

A student carries out test tube reactions on aqueous solutions of **B** and **C**. The observations of the student's tests are shown below.

	Test	B(aq)	C(aq)
1	NH ₃ (aq) added dropwise	green precipitate D	grey-green precipitate E
	excess NH ₃ (aq) added	no further change	purple solution F
2	HNO ₃ (aq)	no change	no change
	followed by Ba(NO ₃) ₂ (aq)	white precipitate G	no change
3	HNO ₃ (aq)	no change	no change
	followed by AgNO ₃ (aq)	no change	white precipitate H

Analyse the results to identify **B** to **H**, and construct ionic equations for the formation of products **D** to **H**. [6]

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(b) A compound of nickel, **J**, has the formula $(\text{NH}_4)_2[\text{Ni}(\text{SCN})_x(\text{NH}_3)_y]$ and contains SCN^- and NH_3 ligands.

The percentage by mass of three of the elements in compound **J** is shown below: Ni, 16.26%; S, 35.56%; N, 31.00%.

(i) Calculate the values of x and y in the formula of compound J.

$X \equiv$

$$y = \dots$$

[3]

(ii) Determine the oxidation number of nickel in compound J.

oxidation number: [1]

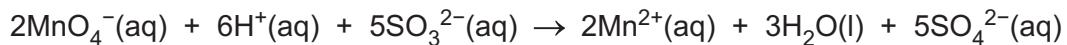
(c) Sodium sulfite(IV), Na_2SO_3 , is used as a preservative in some foods. Food safety legislation allows a maximum of 850 mg Na_2SO_3 per kg of burger meat.

A chemist determines the amount of Na_2SO_3 in a sample of burger meat using a manganate(VII) titration.

Step 1 The Na_2SO_3 from 525 g of burger meat is extracted to form a solution containing SO_3^{2-} (aq) ions.

Step 2 The solution from **step 1** is made up to 250.0 cm³ in a volumetric flask with water. 25.0 cm³ of this diluted solution is pipetted into a conical flask.

Step 3 The pipetted solution from **step 2** is acidified with dilute sulfuric acid and then titrated with 0.0100 mol dm⁻³ potassium manganate(VII), KMnO_4 .



12.60 cm³ of KMnO_4 (aq) is required to reach the endpoint.

Analyse the results to determine whether the burger meat complies with food safety legislation.

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