

AS CHEMISTRY (7404/1)

Paper 1: Inorganic and Physical Chemistry

Mark scheme

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Section A

| Question | Marking guidance | Mark | AO | Comments |
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| 01.1 | 1s ² 2s ² 2p ⁶ 3s ² 3p ⁶ 4s ² | 1 | AO1a | Allow correct numbers that are not superscripted |
| 01.2 | $Ca(s)+ 2H_2O(I) \longrightarrow Ca^{2+}(aq) + 2OH^{-}(aq) + H_2(g)$ | 1 | AO2d | State symbols essential |
| 01.3 | Oxidising agent | 1 | AO2c | |
| 01.4 | $Ca(g) \longrightarrow Ca^{+}(g) + e^{-}$ | 1 | AO1a | State symbols essential Allow 'e' without the negative sign |
| 01.5 | Decrease | 1 | AO1a | If answer to 'trend' is not 'decrease', then chemical error = 0/3 |
| | lons get bigger / more (energy) shells Weaker attraction of ion to lost electron | 1 1 | AO1a AO1a | Allow atoms instead of ions |
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| 02.1 | Abundance of third isotope = 100 – 91.0 –1.8 = 7.2% | 1 | AO1b | |
| | $\frac{(32 \times 91) + (33 \times 1.8) + (y \times 7.2)}{100} = 32.16$ | 1 | AO2f | |
| | $7.2y = 32.16 \times 100 - 32 \times 91 - 33 \times 1.8 = 244.6$ | 1 | AO2f | |
| | y = 244.6 / 7.2 = 33.97 y = 34 | 1 | AO1b | Answer must be rounded to the nearest integer |
| 02.2 | A high voltage is applied to the sample (in polar solvent) | 1 | AO1b | |
| | Molecules lose an electron | 1 | AO1b | |
| 02.3 | lons, not molecules, will interact with and be accelerated by an electric field | 1 | AO2e | |
| | Only ions will create a current when hitting the detector | 1 | AO2e | |

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| 03.1 | $C(s) + 2F_2(g) \longrightarrow CF_4(g)$ | 1 | AO1a | State symbols essential |
| 03.2 | Around carbon there are 4 bonding pairs of electrons (and no lone pairs) | 1 | AO1a | |
| | Therefore, these repel equally and spread as far apart as possible | 1 | AO1a | |
| 03.3 | $\Delta H = \sum \Delta_f H$ products $-\sum \Delta_f H$ reactants or a correct cycle | 1 | AO1b | |
| | Hence = $(2 \times -680) + (6 \times -269) - (x) = -2889$ | 1 | AO1b | |
| | $x = 2889 - 1360 - 1614 = -85 (kJ mol^{-1})$ | 1 | AO1b | Score 1 mark only for +85 (kJ mol ⁻¹) |
| 03.4 | Bonds broken = 4(C-H) + 4(F-F) = 4 × 412 + 4 × F-F | | | |
| | Bonds formed = $4(C-F) + 4(H-F) = 4 \times 484 + 4 \times 562$ | 1 | AO3 1a | Both required |
| | -1904 = [4 × 412 + 4(F-F)] - [4 × 484 + 4 × 562] | | | |
| | $4(F-F) = -1904 - 4 \times 412 + [4 \times 484 + 4 \times 562] = 632$ | 1 | AO3 1a | |
| | $F-F = 632 / 4 = 158 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ | 1 | AO3 1a | |
| | The student is correct because the F–F bond energy is much less than the C–H or other covalent bonds, therefore the F–F bond is | 1 | AO3 1b | Relevant comment comparing to other bonds |
| | weak / easily broken | | | (Low activation energy needed to break the F–F bond) |

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| 04.1 | amount of X = 0.50 – 0.20 = 0.30 (mol) | 1 | AO2h | |
| | amount of Y = $0.50 - 2 \times 0.20 = 0.10$ (mol) | 1 | AO2h | |
| 04.2 | Axes labelled with values, units and scales that use over half of each axis | 1 | AO2h | All three of values, units and scales are required for the mark |
| | Curve starts at origin | 1 | AO2h | |
| | Then flattens at 30 seconds at 0.20 mol | 1 | AO2h | |
| 04.3 | Expression = $K_c = \underline{[Z]}$ $[X][Y]^2$ | 1 | AO1a | |
| | $[Y]^2 = \underline{[Z]}_{[X] K_c}$ | 1 | AO2b | |
| | [Y] = $(0.35 / 0.40 \times 2.9)^{0.5} = 0.5493 = 0.55 \text{ (mol dm}^{-3}\text{)}$ | 1 | AO1b | Answer must be to 2 significant figures |
| 04.4 | Darkened / went more orange | 1 | AO2g | |
| | The equilibrium moved to the right | 1 | AO2g | |
| | To oppose the increased concentration of Y | 1 | AO2g | |
| 04.5 | The orange colour would fade | 1 | AO3 1a | |

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| 05.1 | $2NaBr + 2H_2SO_4 \longrightarrow Na_2SO_4 + Br_2 + SO_2 + 2H_2O$ | 1 | AO1a | Allow ionic equation |
| | | | | $2Br^{-} + 2H_{2}SO4 \longrightarrow Br_{2} + SO_{4}^{2-} + SO_{2} + 2H_{2}O$ |
| | Br ⁻ ions are bigger than Cl ⁻ ions | 1 | AO2c | |
| | Therefore Br ⁻ ions more easily oxidised / lose an electron more easily (than Cl ⁻ ions) | 1 | AO2c | |

| 05.2 | This question is marked using levels of response. Refer to the Mark Scheme Instructions for Examiners for guidance on how to mark this question. | | | 2 AO1a 4 AO3 2b | Indicative chemistry content Stage 1: formation of precipitates |
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| | Level 3 5–6 marks | All stages are covered and the explanation of each stage is generally correct and virtually complete. Stages 1 and 2 are supported by correct equations. Answer communicates the whole process coherently and shows a logical progression from stage 1 to stage 2 and then stage 3. The steps in stage 3 are in a logical order. | | | Add silver nitrate to form precipitates of AgCl and AgBr AgNO₃ + NaCl → AgCl + NaNO₃ AgNO₃ + NaBr → AgBr + NaNO₃ Stage 2: selective dissolving of AgCl Add excess of dilute ammonia to the mixture of precipitates the silver chloride precipitate dissolves AgCl + 2NH₃ → Ag(NH₃)₂⁺ + Cl⁻ Stage 3: separation and purification of AgBr Filter off the remaining silver bromide precipitate Wash to remove soluble compounds Dry to remove water |
| | 3–4 stage may be incomplete or OR two stages are covered generally correct and virtual Answer is mainly coherent a through the stages. Some s | All stages are covered but the explanation of each stage may be incomplete or may contain inaccuracies OR two stages are covered and the explanations are generally correct and virtually complete. Answer is mainly coherent and shows a progression through the stages. Some steps in each stage may be out of order and incomplete. | | | |
| | Level 1 1–2 marks | Two stages are covered but the explanation of each stage may be incomplete or may contain inaccuracies, OR only one stage is covered but the explanation is generally correct and virtually complete. Answer includes some isolated statements, but these are not presented in a logical order or show confused reasoning. | | | |
| | Level 0 0 marks | Insufficient correct chemistry to warrant a mark. | | | |

| 05.3 | $Cl_2 + 2HO \longrightarrow OCl^- + Cl^- + H_2O$ | 1 | AO1a | |
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| | OCl⁻ is +1 | 1 | AO2b | Both required for the mark |
| | Cl [−] is –1 | | | |

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| 06.1 | | | | Extended response |
| | Stage 1: appreciation that the acid must be in excess and calculation of amount of solid that permits this | | | Maximum of 7 marks for answers which do not show a sustained line of reasoning which is coherent, relevant, substantiated and logically structured. |
| | Statement that there must be an excess of acid | 1 | AO2d | Substantiated and logically structured. |
| | Moles of acid = $50.0 \times 0.200/1000 = 1.00 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol}$ | 1 | AO3 2a | |
| | 2 mol of acid react with 1 mol of calcium hydroxide therefore moles of solid weighed out must be less than half the moles of acid = 0.5 | | | |
| | $\times 1.00 \times 10^{-2} = 5.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$ | 1 | AO3 2b | |
| | Mass of solid must be $< 5.00 \times 10^{-3} \times 74.1 = < 0.371 \text{ g}$ | 1 | AO3 2a | |
| | Stage 2: Experimental method | | | |
| | Measure out 50 cm ³ of acid using a pipette and add the weighed amount of solid in a conical flask | 1 | AO3 2b | |
| | Titrate against 0.100 (or 0.200) mol dm ⁻³ NaOH added from a burette and record the volume (v) when an added indicator changes colour | 1 | AO3 2b | |
| | Stage 3: How to calculate M_r from the experimental data | | | |
| | Moles of hydroxide = $5.00 \times 10^{-3} - (v \times conc NaOH)/1000 = z mol$ | 1 | AO3 2a | |
| | $M_{\rm r}$ = mass of solid / z | 1 | AO3 2a | |

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| 06.2 | Moles of calcium chloride = $3.56 / 111.1 = 3.204 \times 10^{-2}$ | 1 | AO2h | |
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| | Moles of calcium sulfate = $3.204 \times 10^{-2} \times 83.4/100 = 2.672 \times 10^{-2}$ | 1 | AO2h | |
| | Mass of calcium sulfate = $2.672 \times 10^{-2} \times 136.2 = 3.6398 = 3.64$ (g) | 1 | AO2h | Answer must be to 3 significant figures |

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| 07.1 | | | | Extended response calculation |
| | Stage 1 | | | |
| | $M_{\rm r}$ for Mg(NO ₃) ₂ = 148.3 | | | |
| | Moles of Mg(NO ₃) ₂ = $\frac{3.74 \times 10^{-2}}{148.3}$ = 2.522 × 10 ⁻⁴ mol | 1 | AO2h | |
| | Stage 2 | | | |
| | Total moles of gas produced = $5/2 \times \text{moles of } Mg(NO_3)_2$ | | | |
| | $= 5/2 \times 2.522 \times 10^{-4} = 6.305 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1 | AO2h | |
| | Stage 3 | | | If ratio in stage 2 is incorrect, maximum marks for stage 3 is 2 |
| | PV=nR T so volume of gas $V = nRT/P$ | 1 | AO2h | |
| | $V = \underline{nRT} = \underline{6.305 \times 10^{-4} \times 8.31 \times 333} = 1.745 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3$ $P = 1.00 \times 10^5$ | 1 | AO2h | |
| | $V = 1.745 \times 10^{-5} \times 1 \times 10^{6} = 17.45 \text{ cm}^{3} = 17.5 \text{ (cm}^{3})$ | 1 | AO1b | Answer must be to 3 significant figures (answer could be 17.4 cm ³ dependent on intermediate values) |
| 07.2 | Some of the solid is lost in weighing product / solid is blown away with the gas | 1 | AO3 1b | |

Section B

In this section, each correct answer is awarded 1 mark.

| Question | Key | AO |
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| 8 | D | AO1a |
| 9 | D | AO1b |
| 10 | А | AO3 1b |
| 11 | В | AO3 2a |
| 12 | В | AO2a |
| 13 | А | AO2a |
| 14 | С | AO1a |
| 15 | С | AO1a |
| 16 | D | AO2b |
| 17 | D | AO2a |
| 18 | В | AO1a |
| 19 | А | AO2a |
| 20 | С | AO2b |
| 21 | В | AO1b |
| 22 | В | AO2b |