

GCSE Chemistry A (Gateway Science)
J248/03 C1-C3 and C7 Higher (Higher Tier)

Question Set 4

1 Lithium is a metal found in Group 1 of the Periodic Table.

(a) (i) Describe the structure and bonding in a metal.

You may include a diagram in your answer.

[2]

(ii) Lithium is **malleable** even though metallic bonds are strong.

Explain why metals are malleable.

[1]

(iii) Lithium can conduct electricity in the solid and liquid state.

Explain why metals can conduct electricity.

[2]

(b) An alloy is a mixture of a metal with one or more other elements.

When lithium is mixed with aluminium it makes an alloy that can be used in aircraft.

Adding different amounts of lithium to the aluminium changes the properties of the alloy.

Alloy	Percentage of lithium (%)	Density (g/cm ³)	Melting point (°C)	Strength (MPa)
A	2.00	2.58	670	550
B	2.20	2.56	580	555
C	2.45	2.55	655	565

A scientist thinks that alloy **C** is best for making an aircraft.

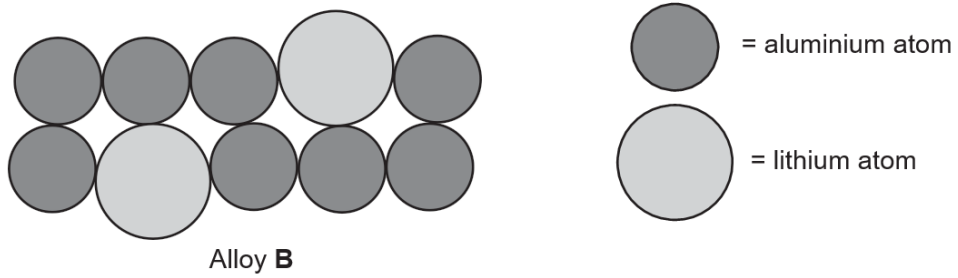
Is she correct?

Explain your answer using evidence from the table.

[2]

(c) The scientist uses the particle model to show the elements present in alloy **B**.

Look at her diagram.



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(i) Calculate the **percentage of lithium atoms** in the diagram of alloy **B**.

Percentage of lithium atoms = % [1]

(ii) Use your answer to part (c)(i) to explain if the diagram accurately shows the structure of alloy **B**. [1]

Total Marks for Question Set 4: 9

The Periodic Table of the Elements

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)
1 H hydrogen 1.0	2 He helium 4.0	3 Li lithium 6.9	4 Be beryllium 9.0	5 B boron 10.8	6 C carbon 12.0	7 N nitrogen 14.0	8 O oxygen 16.0	9 F fluorine 19.0	10 Ne neon 20.2	11 Na sodium 23.0	12 Mg magnesium 24.3	13 Al aluminium 27.0	14 Si silicon 28.1	15 P phosphorus 31.0	16 S sulfur 32.1	17 Cl chlorine 35.5	18 Ar argon 39.9
19 K potassium 39.1	20 Ca calcium 40.1	21 Sc scandium 45.0	22 Ti titanium 47.9	23 V vanadium 50.9	24 Cr chromium 52.0	25 Mn manganese 54.9	26 Fe iron 55.8	27 Co cobalt 58.9	28 Ni nickel 58.7	29 Cu copper 63.5	30 Zn zinc 65.4	31 Ga gallium 69.7	32 Ge germanium 72.6	33 As arsenic 74.9	34 Se selenium 79.0	35 Br bromine 79.9	36 Kr krypton 83.8
37 Rb rubidium 85.5	38 Sr strontium 87.6	39 Y yttrium 88.9	40 Zr zirconium 91.2	41 Nb niobium 92.9	42 Mo molybdenum 95.9	43 Tc technetium	44 Ru ruthenium 101.1	45 Rh rhodium 102.9	46 Pd palladium 106.4	47 Ag silver 107.9	48 Cd cadmium 112.4	49 In indium 114.8	50 Sn tin 118.7	51 Sb antimony 121.8	52 Te tellurium 127.6	53 I iodine 126.9	54 Xe xenon 131.3
55 Cs caesium 132.9	56 Ba barium 137.3	57-71 lanthanoids	72 Hf hafnium 178.5	73 Ta tantalum 180.9	74 W tungsten 183.8	75 Re rhenium 186.2	76 Os osmium 190.2	77 Ir iridium 192.2	78 Pt platinum 195.1	79 Au gold 197.0	80 Hg mercury 200.6	81 Tl thallium 204.4	82 Pb lead 207.2	83 Bi bismuth 209.0	84 Po polonium	85 At astatine	86 Rn radon
87 Fr francium	88 Ra radium	89-103 actinoids	104 Rf rutherfordium	105 Db dubnium	106 Sg seaborgium	107 Bh bohrium	108 Hs hassium	109 Mt meitnerium	110 Ds darmstadtium	111 Rg roentgenium	112 Cn copernicium	113 Nh nihonium	114 Fl flerovium	115 Mc moscovium	116 Lv livermorium	117 Ts tennessine	118 Og oganeson

Key
atomic number
Symbol
name
relative atomic mass

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