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# A-level CHEMISTRY (7405/1)

Paper 1: Inorganic and Physical Chemistry

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**Mark scheme**

Specimen paper

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01.2	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^7$	1	AO1a	Allow correct numbers that are not superscripted
01.3	Too many electrons in d sub-shell / orbitals	1	AO3 1b	
01.4	Tetrahedral (shape) 109.5°	1	AO2a	Allow 109°
		1	AO2a	

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02.1	The number of protons increases (across the period) / nuclear charge increases	1	AO1a	Can only score M2 if M1 is correct
	Therefore, the attraction between the nucleus and electrons increases	1	AO1a	
02.2	S <sub>8</sub> molecules are bigger than P <sub>4</sub> molecules	1	AO1a	Allow sulfur molecules have bigger surface area and sulfur molecules have bigger <i>M<sub>r</sub></i>
	Therefore, van der Waals / dispersion / London forces between molecules are stronger in sulfur	1	AO1a	
02.3	Sodium oxide contains O <sup>2-</sup> ions	1	AO2c	O <sup>2-</sup> + H <sub>2</sub> O → 2OH <sup>-</sup> scores M1 and M2
	These O <sup>2-</sup> ions react with water forming OH <sup>-</sup> ions	1	AO2c	
02.4	$\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10} + 12\text{OH}^- \longrightarrow 4\text{PO}_4^{3-} + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1	AO2d	

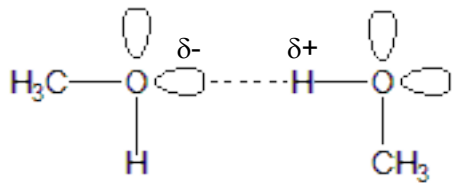
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03.1	The ions in the ionic substance in the salt bridge move through the salt bridge	1	AO1b	
	To maintain charge balance / complete the circuit	1	AO1b	
03.2	F <sup>-</sup>	1	AO3 1a	
03.3	$E^{\ominus} \text{SO}_4^{2-} / \text{SO}_2 < E^{\ominus} \text{Br}_2 / \text{Br}^-$	1	AO3 1a	Allow correct answer expressed in words, eg electrode potential for sulfate ions / sulfur dioxide is less than that for bromine / bromide
03.4	1.23 (V)	1	AO2d	
03.5	A fuel cell converts more of the available energy from combustion of hydrogen into kinetic energy of the car / an internal combustion engine wastes more (heat) energy	1	AO3 1b	

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04.1	Bonds broken = $2(\text{C}=\text{O}) + 3(\text{H}-\text{H}) = 2 \times 743 + 3 \times \text{H}-\text{H}$	1	AO1b	Both required
	Bonds formed = $3(\text{C}-\text{H}) + (\text{C}-\text{O}) + 3(\text{O}-\text{H}) = 3 \times 412 + 360 + 3 \times 463$			
	$-49 = [2 \times 743 + 3 \times (\text{H}-\text{H})] - [3 \times 412 + 360 + 3 \times 463]$			
	$3(\text{H}-\text{H}) = -49 - 2 \times 743 + [3 \times 412 + 360 + 3 \times 463] = 1450$	1	AO1b	Both required
	$\text{H}-\text{H} = 483 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$	1	AO1b	Allow 483.3(3)
04.2	Mean bond enthalpies are not the same as the actual bond enthalpies in $\text{CO}_2$ (and/or methanol and/or water)	1	AO1b	
04.3	The carbon dioxide (produced on burning methanol) is used up in this reaction	1	AO3 1b	
04.4	4 mol of gas form 2 mol	1	AO2f	
	At high pressure the position of equilibrium moves to the right to lower the pressure / oppose the high pressure	1	AO3 1b	
	This increases the yield of methanol	1	AO3 1b	
04.5	Impurities (or sulfur compounds) block the active sites	1	AO1b	Allow catalyst poisoned

04.6	Stage 1: moles of components in the equilibrium mixture				
	$\text{CO}_2(\text{g}) + 3\text{H}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons \text{CH}_3\text{OH}(\text{g}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g})$				
	Initial moles	1.0	3.0	0	0
	Eqm moles	(1-0.86) = 0.14	(3-3×0.86) = 0.42	0.86	0.86
	Stage 2: Partial pressure calculations				
	Total moles of gas = 2.28				
	Partial pressures = mol fraction × $p_{\text{total}}$				
	$p_{\text{CO}_2} = \text{mol fraction} \times p_{\text{total}} = 0.14 \times 500/2.28 = 30.7 \text{ kPa}$ $p_{\text{H}_2} = \text{mol fraction} \times p_{\text{total}} = 0.42 \times 500/2.28 = 92.1 \text{ kPa}$				
$p_{\text{CH}_3\text{OH}} = \text{mol fraction} \times p_{\text{total}} = 0.86 \times 500/2.28 = 188.6 \text{ kPa}$ $p_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = \text{mol fraction} \times p_{\text{total}} = 0.86 \times 500/2.28 = 188.6 \text{ kPa}$					
Stage 3: Equilibrium constant calculation					
$K_p = p_{\text{CH}_3\text{OH}} \times p_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} / p_{\text{CO}_2} \times (p_{\text{H}_2})^3$					
Hence $K_p = 188.6 \times 188.6 / 30.7 \times (92.1)^3 = 1.483 \times 10^{-3} = 1.5 \times 10^{-3}$					
Units = $\text{kPa}^{-2}$					
				Extended response question	
		1	AO2f		
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		1	AO2f	M3 is for partial pressures of both reactants  Alternative M3 = $pp_{\text{CO}_2} = 0.0614 \times 500$ $pp_{\text{H}_2} = 0.1842 \times 500$	
		1	AO2f	M4 is for partial pressures of both products  Alternative M4 = $pp_{\text{CH}_3\text{OH}} = 0.3772 \times 500$ $pp_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 0.3772 \times 500$	
		1	AO2f		
		1	AO1b	Answer must be to 2 significant figures	
		1	AO2f		



Question	Marking guidance	Mark	AO	Comments
05.1	$\Delta S = 238 + 189 - 214 - 3 \times 131 = -180 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$ $= -49 - \frac{523 \times (-180)}{1000}$ $= +45.1 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$	1 1 1 1	AO1b AO1a AO1b AO1b	Units essential
05.2	When $\Delta G = 0$ , $\Delta H = T\Delta S$ therefore $T = \Delta H/\Delta S$ $= -49 \times 1000/-180 = 272 \text{ (K)}$	1 1	AO1b AO1b	Mark consequentially to $\Delta S$ in 5.1

05.3	<p>Diagram marks</p>  <p>Diagram of a molecule showing O–H bond and two lone pairs on each oxygen</p> <p>Labels on diagram showing <math>\delta+</math> and <math>\delta-</math> charges</p> <p>Diagram showing <math>\delta+</math> hydrogen on one molecule attracted to lone pair on a second molecule</p> <p>Explanation mark</p> <p>Hydrogen bonding (the name mentioned) is a strong enough force (to hold methanol molecules together in a liquid)</p>	1	AO2a	Allow explanation of position of $\delta+$ and $\delta-$ charges on H and O
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06.1	Burette Because it can deliver variable volumes	1 1	AO3 1b AO2g	
06.2	The change in pH is gradual / not rapid at the end point An indicator would change colour over a range of volumes of sodium hydroxide	1 1	AO3 1a AO3 1a	Allow indicator would not change colour rapidly / with a few drops of NaOH
06.3	$[H^+] = 10^{-pH} = 1.58 \times 10^{-12}$ $K_w = [H^+] [OH^-]$ therefore $[OH^-] = K_w / [H^+]$ Therefore, $[OH^-] = 1 \times 10^{-14} / 1.58 \times 10^{-12} = 6.33 \times 10^{-3}$ (mol dm <sup>-3</sup> )	1 1 1	AO2h AO2h AO2h	Allow $6.31-6.33 \times 10^{-3}$ (mol dm <sup>-3</sup> )
06.4	At this point, $[NH_3] = [H^+]$ Therefore $K_a = \frac{[H^+]^2}{[NH_4^+]}$ $[H^+] = 10^{-4.6} = 2.51 \times 10^{-5}$ $K_a = (2.51 \times 10^{-5})^2 / 2 = 3.15 \times 10^{-10}$ (mol dm <sup>-3</sup> )	1 1 1	AO2f AO2f AO2f	Allow $3.15-3.16 \times 10^{-10}$ (mol dm <sup>-3</sup> )
06.5	When $[NH_3] = [NH_4^+]$ , $K_a = [H^+]$ therefore $-\log K_a = -\log [H^+]$ Therefore pH = $-\log_{10}(3.15 \times 10^{-10}) = 9.50$	1 1	AO2h AO2h	Answer using alternative value M2 pH = $-\log_{10}(4.75 \times 10^{-9}) = 8.32$ Allow consequential marking based on answer from 6.4

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07.1	Y	1	AO3 1a	
07.2	X	1	AO3 1a	
07.3	Jump in trend of ionisation energies after removal of fifth electron Fits with an element with 5 outer electrons ( $4s^23d^3$ ) like V	1	AO2b	
07.4	Explanation: Two different colours of solution are observed Because each colour is due to vanadium in a different oxidation state	1 1	AO2g AO2g	

07.5	<b>Stage 1:</b> mole calculations in either order			Extended response Maximum of 5 marks for answers which do not show a sustained line of reasoning which is coherent, relevant, substantiated and logically structured.
	Moles of vanadium = $50.0 \times 0.800/1000 = 4.00 \times 10^{-2}$	1	AO2d	
	Moles of $\text{SO}_2 = pV/RT = (98\,000 \times 506 \times 10^{-6}) / (8.31 \times 293)$ $= 2.04 \times 10^{-2}$	1	AO2d	
	<b>Stage 2:</b> moles of electrons added to $\text{NH}_4\text{VO}_3$			
	When $\text{SO}_2$ (sulfur(IV) oxide) acts as a reducing agent, it is oxidised to sulfate(VI) ions so this is a two electron change	1	AO2d	
	Moles of electrons released when $\text{SO}_2$ is oxidised = $2.04 \times 10^{-2} \times 2$ $= 4.08 \times 10^{-2}$	1	AO2d	
<b>Stage 3 :</b> conclusion				
But in $\text{NH}_4\text{VO}_3$ vanadium is in oxidation state 5	1	AO2b		
$4.00 \times 10^{-2}$ mol vanadium has gained $4.08 \times 10^{-2}$ mol of electrons therefore 1 mol vanadium has gained $4.08 \times 10^{-2} / 4.00 \times 10^{-2} = 1$ mol of electrons to the nearest integer, so new oxidation state is $5-1=4$ .	1	AO2d		

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08.1	An electron pair on the ligand Is donated from the ligand to the central metal ion	1 1	AO1a AO1a	
08.2	Blue precipitate Dissolves to give a dark blue solution $[\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+} + 2\text{NH}_3 \longrightarrow \text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4(\text{OH})_2 + 2\text{NH}_4^+$ $\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4(\text{OH})_2 + 4\text{NH}_3 \longrightarrow [\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]^{2+} + 2\text{OH}^- + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1 1 1 1	AO1b AO1b AO2d AO2d	
08.3	$[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]^{2+} + 2\text{H}_2\text{NCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2 \longrightarrow$ $[\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{NCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]^{2+} + 4\text{NH}_3$	1	AO2b	
08.4	Cu–N bonds formed have similar enthalpy / energy to Cu–N bonds broken And the same number of bonds broken and made	1 1	AO3 1b AO3 1b	
08.5	3 particles form 5 particles / disorder increases because more particles are formed / entropy change is positive Therefore, the free-energy change is negative	1 1	AO2e AO2e	M2 can only be awarded if M1 is correct

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09.1	Start a clock when KCl is added to water Record the temperature every subsequent minute for about 5 minutes Plot a graph of temperature vs time Extrapolate back to time of mixing = 0 and determine the temperature	1 1 1 1	AO3 2b AO3 2b AO3 2a AO3 2a	Allow record the temperature at regular time intervals until some time after all the solid has dissolved for M2
09.2	Heat taken in = $m \times c \times \Delta T = 50 \times 4.18 \times 5.4 = 1128.6 \text{ J}$ Moles of KCl = $5.00/74.6 = 0.0670$ Enthalpy change per mole = $+1128.6/0.0670 = 16\,839 \text{ J mol}^{-1}$ = $+16.8 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$	1 1 1 1	AO2h AO2h AO2h AO1b	Max 2 if $14.6 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ used as $\Delta T$  Answer must be given to this precision
09.3	$\Delta H_{\text{solution}} = \Delta H_{\text{lattice}} + \Delta H(\text{hydration of calcium ions}) + 2 \times \Delta H(\text{hydration of chloride ions})$ $\Delta H_{\text{lattice}} = \Delta H_{\text{solution}} - \Delta H(\text{hydration of calcium ions}) - 2 \times \Delta H(\text{hydration of chloride ions})$ $\Delta H_{\text{lattice}} = -82.9 - (-1650 + 2 \times -364) = +2295 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$	1 1	AO2f AO2f	
09.4	Magnesium ion is smaller than the calcium ion Therefore, it attracts the chloride ion more strongly / stronger ionic bonding	1 1	AO2a AO2a	

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10.1	<p><b>Q</b> is calcium or magnesium bromide</p> <p><b>R</b> is aluminium chloride</p> <p><b>S</b> is iron(III) sulfate</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>	<p>AO3 1b</p> <p>AO3 1b</p> <p>AO3 1b</p> <p>AO3 1b</p> <p>AO3 1b</p> <p>AO3 1b</p>	Mark this question independently
10.2	<p><math>\text{Ba}^{2+} + \text{SO}_4^{2-} \longrightarrow \text{BaSO}_4</math></p> <p><math>[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} + 3\text{OH}^- \longrightarrow \text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3(\text{OH})_3 + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}</math></p> <p><math>2[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} + 3\text{CO}_3^{2-} \longrightarrow</math> <math>2\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3(\text{OH})_3 + 3\text{H}_2\text{O} + 3\text{CO}_2</math></p> <p><math>[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} + 4\text{Cl}^- \longrightarrow [\text{FeCl}_4]^- + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}</math></p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>	<p>AO1a</p> <p>AO1a</p> <p>AO1a</p> <p>AO1a</p>	