

GCE

# **Chemistry A**

Advanced Subsidiary GCE

Unit **F321:** Atoms, Bonds and Groups

## **Mark Scheme for June 2012**

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#### **Annotations**

Annotation	Meaning
1404	Benefit of doubt given
( <del>40</del> ))	Contradiction
×	Incorrect response
I THE	Error carried forward
<b></b>	Ignore
NAZ-	Not answered question
<u>2000</u>	Benefit of doubt not given
1201	Power of 10 error
A	Omission mark
<b>[8</b> ]	Rounding error
T.	Error in number of significant figures
<b>✓</b>	Correct response

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### **Subject-specific Marking Instructions**

Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed Mark Scheme (to include abbreviations and subject-specific conventions).

Annotation	Meaning
DO NOT ALLOW	Answers which are not worthy of credit
IGNORE	Statements which are irrelevant
ALLOW	Answers that can be accepted
()	Words which are not essential to gain credit
	Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark
ECF	Error carried forward
AW	Alternative wording
ORA	Or reverse argument

The following questions should be annotated with ticks to show where marks have been awarded in the body of the text: 1(e)(i), 2(b), 3(b)(ii)

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1 (a)	The (weighted) mean <b>mass</b> of an <b>atom</b> (of an element)  OR  The (weighted) average <b>mass</b> of an <b>atom</b> (of an element)  ✓  compared with 1/12th (the mass) ✓  of (one atom of) carbon-12 ✓	3	ALLOW average atomic mass DO NOT ALLOW mean mass of an element ALLOW mean mass of isotopes OR average mass of isotopes DO NOT ALLOW the singular; 'isotope'  For second and third marking points ALLOW compared with (the mass of) carbon-12 which is 12  ALLOW mass of one mole of atoms ✓ compared to 1/12th ✓ (mass of) one mole OR 12g of carbon-12 ✓  ALLOW  mass of one mole OR 12g of carbon-12  1/12th mass of one mole OR 12g of carbon-12
(b)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON THE ANSWER LINE If answer = 32.09 award 2 marks  32 × 95.02 + 33 × 0.76 + 34 × 4.22 100  OR  30.4064 + 0.2508 + 1.4348  OR  = 32.092 (calculator value) ✓	2	ALLOW one mark for ECF from transcription error in first sum provided final answer is to 2 decimal places and is between 32 and 34 and is a correct calculation of the transcription
	(A <sub>r</sub> =) 32.09 ✓		Answer must be 2 decimal places

Q	uesti	ion			Ans	wer		Marks	Guidance
1	(c)		<sup>33</sup> S	protons 16	neutrons 17	electrons 16	✓ ✓	2	Mark by row
	(d)		FIRST		18 HE ANSWE × 10 <sup>22</sup> awar		ANSWER LINE	2	If there is an alternative answer, check to see if there is any ECF credit possible using working below
			OR (no. of OR	molecules)	= 0.0120 ×		$= 7.224 \times 10^{21}$ $\times 10^{23} = 4.816 \times$		
			6.02 ×		•	of atoms) = 0	0.0120 × 8 ×		<b>ALLOW</b> 5.8 x 10 <sup>22</sup> up to calculator value of 5.7792 x 10 <sup>22</sup> <b>ALLOW</b> correct rounding of ECF to 2 significant figures or more up to calculator value <b>ALLOW</b> answers in non standard form such as 0.578 x 10 <sup>23</sup> correctly rounded to 2 or more significant figures
	(e)	(i)	Type of Creates	of dipole m	on of electron nark s an instanta		e <b>OR</b> temporary	3	Use annotations with ticks, crosses, ECF etc for this part ALLOW movement of electrons ALLOW changing electron density  ALLOW 'transient', 'oscillating' 'momentary' 'changing' DO NOT ALLOW induces a temporary dipole for the second marking point
					econd dipol lipoles in ne	e <i>mark</i> ighbouring n	nolecules √		ALLOW induces a dipole in neighbouring molecules ALLOW causes a resultant dipole in other molecules ALLOW atoms for molecules

C	uesti	ion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(e)	(ii)	Only one type of atom OR No (permanent) dipoles OR non-polar OR no polar bonds ✓	1	ALLOW no difference in electronegativity IGNORE 'No hydrogen bonding' IGNORE 'No lone pairs'
	(f)		+2 ✓	1	ALLOW 2(+)
	(g)	(i)	There are no waters of crystallisation ✓	1	ALLOW 'without water' 'no water' etc IGNORE dehydrated
		(ii)	248.2 ✓	1	IGNORE units DO NOT ALLOW 248
		(iii)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON THE ANSWER LINE If answer = 7.91 (g) award 2 marks	2	If there is an alternative answer, check to see if there is any ECF credit possible using working below
			(amount of Na <sub>2</sub> S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> •5H <sub>2</sub> O) = 12.41/248.2 <b>OR</b> = 0.05(00) (mol) $\checkmark$		ALLOW ECFs from answer to (g)(ii) for both marking points
			(mass of $Na_2S_2O_3$ ) = 0.05 x 158.2 = 7.91 (g) $\checkmark$		<b>ALLOW</b> ECF for calculated mol of Na <sub>2</sub> S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> •5H <sub>2</sub> O x 158.2 correctly calculated for the 2nd mark
					<b>ALLOW</b> calculator value or rounding to 3 significant figures or more but <b>IGNORE</b> 'trailing' zeroes, eg 0.200 allowed as 0.2

C	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(h)	(i)	Sulfur has six bonded pairs (and no lone pairs) ✓	2	ALLOW 'It has six bonded pairs' ALLOW bonds for bonded pairs IGNORE regions OR areas of negative charge
			Electron pairs repel (one another equally) ✓		ALLOW 'bonds repel' DO NOT ALLOW 'Atoms repel' or 'electrons repel'  'Lone pairs repel more than bonded pairs' would score the second mark but would contradict the first mark if there is no reference to no lone pairs
		(ii)	The ability of an atom to attract electrons ✓ in a (covalent) bond ✓ (The octahedral shape) is symmetrical ✓	3	ALLOW dipoles cancel out IGNORE polar bonds repel IGNORE charges cancel
			Total	23	

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C	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2	(c)	(i)	Increasing straight line <b>OR</b> curve from Na to Ar ✓ ionisation tenergy	1	ALLOW bar charts OR points IGNORE the standard of drawing as long as the trend is clear IGNORE decrease between Mg/Al and P/S
			Na Mg Al Si P S Cl Ar		Essentially the mark is for Na < Mg < Si < P < Cl < Ar  AND Al < Si AND S< Cl
		(ii)	Decreasing straight line <b>OR</b> curve from Na to Ar ✓  atomic radius  Na Mg Al Si P S Cl Ar	1	ALLOW bar charts OR points IGNORE the standard of drawing as long as the trend is clear IGNORE Ar Essentially the mark is for Na > Mg > Al > Si > P > S > Cl
			Total	9	

C	uesti	ion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	(a)		(1s²) 2s² 2p <sup>6</sup> 3s² ✓	1	IGNORE 1s <sup>2</sup> seen twice ALLOW subscripts
	(b)	(i)	Mg <sup>+</sup> (g) → Mg <sup>2+</sup> (g) + e <sup>-</sup> Equation correct ✓  State symbols correct ✓	2	<b>ALLOW</b> $Mg^+(g) - e^- \rightarrow Mg^{2+}(g)$ for 2 marks The second mark is dependent upon the first mark except for the following close attempts for the first mark: <b>ALLOW</b> the following for one mark as states are correct $Mg(g) \rightarrow Mg^{2+}(g) + 2e^ Mg(g) + e^- \rightarrow Mg^{2+}(g) + 2e^-$ <b>ALLOW</b> e for electron <b>IGNORE</b> states on electron
		(ii)	Ionic radius mark Mg <sup>(+)</sup> has smaller (ionic) radius OR has less shells ✓  Shielding mark (outermost electron) of Mg <sup>(+)</sup> experience less shielding ✓  Nuclear attraction mark More nuclear attraction on (outermost electrons) OR Outer electrons are attracted more strongly (to the nucleus) ✓	3	Use annotations with ticks, crosses, ECF etc for this part  ALLOW Mg <sup>(+)</sup> has less energy levels  ALLOW Mg <sup>(+)</sup> has electrons in lower energy level  ALLOW Mg <sup>(+)</sup> has electrons closer to nucleus  IGNORE Mg <sup>(+)</sup> has less orbitals OR less sub-shells  IGNORE atomic for ionic  IGNORE 'different shell'  ALLOW screening for shielding  ALLOW Mg <sup>(+)</sup> has less electron repulsion from inner shells  Quality of Written Communication: 'nuclear' OR  'nucleus' OR 'electron(s)' spelled correctly once and used in context for the third marking point  ALLOW Mg <sup>(+)</sup> has more nuclear pull
			ORA throughout		IGNORE Mg <sup>(+)</sup> has more effective nuclear charge DO NOT ALLOW more nuclear charge for more nuclear attraction for the third mark

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C	uesti	ion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	(c)	(i)	Sr <sup>2+</sup> ✓ OH <sup>-</sup> ✓	2	ALLOW 2OH <sup>-</sup> ALLOW 2 marks for $Sr(OH)_2 \rightarrow Sr^{2+} + 2OH^-$ ALLOW 1 mark for $Sr^{2+} + 2OH^- \rightarrow Sr(OH)_2$ IGNORE H <sup>+</sup>
		(ii)	Sr has lost (two) electrons ✓	1	ALLOW Sr → Sr <sup>2+</sup> + 2e <sup>-</sup> IGNORE references to oxidation numbers
		(iii)	SrO <b>AND</b> H <sub>2</sub> O ✓	1	<b>ALLOW</b> acceptable alternatives from Sr salts and alkalis eg SrC <i>I</i> <sub>2</sub> + NaOH
	(d)	(i)	It shows the oxidation number of the sulfur <b>OR</b> the name without the IV is ambiguous ✓	1	DO NOT ALLOW 'the charge on sulfur' DO NOT ALLOW 'shows the oxidation number of the sulfate' ALLOW Otherwise it could be SrSO <sub>4</sub> ALLOW Sulfur has different oxidation numbers AW
		(ii)	H₂SO <sub>3</sub> ✓	1	
			Total	12	

C	uesti	ion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4	(a)	(i)	Cl <sub>2</sub> + H <sub>2</sub> O → HClO + HCl ✓	1	
		(ii)	(Chlorine compounds are) carcinogenic  OR  (Chlorine compounds are) toxic OR poisonous ✓	1	ALLOW 'they' OR 'chlorinated hydrocarbons' OR 'it' for 'chlorine compounds'  IGNORE harmful OR dangerous IGNORE references to HCl or HClO IGNORE chlorine is toxic  DO NOT ALLOW chlorine is carcinogenic
	(b)	(i)	Precipitation ✓	1	
		(ii)	$Ag^{+}(aq) + CI^{-}(aq) \rightarrow AgCI(s) \checkmark$	1	Equation AND state symbols required for mark DO NOT ALLOW spectator ions
	(c)	(i)	8.604/143.4 = 0.06(00) (mol) ✓	1	

Question		ion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4	Questi	(ii)	Answer  If a Group 2 chloride is used amount of Group 2 chloride = ½ x 0.0600 <b>OR</b> = 0.0300 mol ✓	Marks 3	Guidance  DO NOT ALLOW 24.3 and Mg without appropriate working  Check to see if there is any ECF credit possible using working below  ALLOW calculator value or rounding to 2 significant figures or more but IGNORE 'trailing' zeroes, eg 0.200 allowed as 0.2  ALLOW ECF for correctly calculated ½ × answer to (c)(i)
			Mass of 1 mol of Group 2 chloride = <u>2.86</u> = 95.3(3) ✓ 0.0300		Must be at least 1 decimal place for second marking point <b>ALLOW</b> ECF for 2.86/mol of metal chloride seen above eg MCl will give 0.0600 mol of metal chloride and this will likely give 2.86/0.0600 = 47.7 eg MCl <sub>3</sub> will give 0.0200 mol of metal chloride and this will likely give 2.86/0.0200 = 143.0
			[Relative atomic mass of M = 95.3(3) − 71.0) = 24.3 (g mol <sup>-1</sup> )] <b>AND</b> metal = Mg ✓		ALLOW ECF for mass of Group 2 chloride – 71.0 provided it is not a negative value ALLOW ECF even if molar mass of chloride was given as a whole number above  ALLOW ECF for mass of metal chloride – 35.5 if amount of metal chloride = 0.0600 mol eg 47.7 – 35.5 = 12.2 AND Be  ALLOW ECF for mass of metal chloride – 106.5 if amount of metal chloride = 0.0200 mol eg 143.0 – 106.5 = 36.5 AND Ca

Question		on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4	(d)	(i)	A shared pair of electrons  AND both electrons are donated by one atom ✓	1	
		(ii)	NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> <b>AND</b> Cl <sup>−</sup> ✓	1	ALLOW $NH_4CI \rightarrow NH_4^+ + CI^-$ OR $NH_4^+ + CI^- \rightarrow NH_4CI$
		(iii)	Ammonium ion with three covalent 'dot-and-cross' bonds  AND one dative covalent bond ✓	2	
			Chloride ion with 8e <sup>-</sup> <b>AND</b> 1 of these electrons different ✓		ALLOW other symbols for dots and crosses eg triangles
			H • × H × O CI • H × H		IGNORE charges IGNORE 'dative' arrow within the lone pair of the N atom
	(e)	(i)	(Thermal) decomposition ✓	1	

C	Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
4	(e)	(ii)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON THE ANSWER LINE If answer = 242 (cm³) award 3 marks	3	IGNORE over rounding to two significant figures once DO NOT ALLOW over rounding to two significant figures twice eg ALLOW the following answer for 3 marks 241 (cm³) (0.00672 was rounded to 0.0067 OR 0.0101 was rounded to 0.010)  ALLOW the following answers for 2 marks 240 (cm³) (0.00672 was rounded to 0.0067 AND 0.0101 was rounded to 0.010) 252 (cm³) (0.00672 was rounded to 0.007) 161 cm³ (no multiplying by 3/2)
			(amount of KClO <sub>3</sub> ) = $0.824/122.6$ <b>OR</b> = $0.00672$ (mol) $\checkmark$		If there is an alternative answer, check to see if there is any ECF credit possible using working below <b>ALLOW</b> up to correctly rounded calculator value of 0.006721044046
			(amount $O_2$ ) = (mol of KClO <sub>3</sub> ) 0.00672 × 3/2 <b>OR</b> = 0.0101 (mol)		<b>ALLOW</b> up to correctly rounded calculator value <b>ALLOW</b> ECF for mol of KClO <sub>3</sub> × 3/2 for 2nd mark
			(volume of $O_2$ ) = 0.0101 × 24 000 = 242 (cm <sup>3</sup> ) $\checkmark$		<b>ALLOW</b> ECF for (mol of KClO <sub>3</sub> ) × $3/2$ × $24000$
			Total	16	

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