

Advanced Subsidiary GCE

CHEMISTRY A

Unit F321: Atoms, Bonds and Groups

Specimen Paper

Candidates answer on the question paper.

Time: 1 hour

Additional Materials:

Data Sheet for Chemistry (Inserted)

Scientific calculator

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre number and Candidate number in the boxes above.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Use blue or black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Do **not** write in the bar code.
- Do **not** write outside the box bordering each page.
- WRITE YOUR ANSWER TO EACH QUESTION IN THE SPACE PROVIDED.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
-  You will be awarded marks for the quality of written communication where this is indicated in the question.
- You may use a scientific calculator.
- A copy of the *Data Sheet for Chemistry* is provided as an insert with this question paper.
- You are advised to show all the steps in any calculations.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **60**.

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Qu.	Max.	Mark
1	12	
2	12	
3	12	
4	12	
5	12	
TOTAL	60	

This document consists of **11** printed pages, **1** blank page and a *Data Sheet for Chemistry*.

Answer **all** the questions.

- 1 The Group 7 element bromine was discovered by Balard in 1826. Bromine gets its name from the Greek *bromos* meaning stench.

(a) Bromine consists of a mixture of two isotopes, ^{79}Br and ^{81}Br .

(i) What is meant by the term *isotopes*?

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(ii) Complete the table below to show the atomic structures of the bromine isotopes.

	protons	neutrons	electrons
^{79}Br			
^{81}Br			

[2]

(iii) Write the full electronic configuration of a bromine atom.

$1s^2$ [1]

(b) A student added an aqueous solution of sodium iodide to a solution of bromine.

The colour turned from orange to a deep brown.

The student then added an aqueous solution of sodium chloride to a solution of bromine.

The orange colour was unchanged.

(i) Explain these observations.

 In your answer, you should use appropriate technical terms, spelled correctly.

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(ii) Write an ionic equation for the reaction that has taken place.

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- (c) A student read about possible health problems arising from the use of common salt added to different foods. The student decided to compare the salt content of different foods using simple test-tube tests to test the chloride content.

Plan a simple qualitative experiment to compare the quantity of chloride ions in different foods. Comment on the validity of claiming that the chloride content is the same as the salt content.

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(a) Identify an element from the first four periods that fits each of the following descriptions.

- (i) The element that forms a $2-$ ion with the same electronic configuration as Ar.

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- (ii)** The element that forms a 3+ ion with ten electrons.

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- (iii)** An element that forms a compound with fluorine with trigonal planar molecules.

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- (iv) The element that forms a chloride XC_2 with a molar mass of 111.1 g mol^{-1} .

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- (v)** The element with the largest atomic radius.

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- (vi)** The element with the smallest first ionisation energy.

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(b) Ionisation energies provide information about the model for the electron structure of elements.

(i) Explain why first ionisation energies show a general increase across Period 3, Na–Ar.

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(ii) Write an equation, including state symbols, to represent the third ionisation energy of sodium.

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(iii) Element **X** is in Period 3 of the Periodic Table, Na–Ar.

The first six ionisation energies of an element **X** are shown below.

ionisation number	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
ionisation energy /kJ mol ⁻¹	789	1577	3232	4 556	16091	19 785

Predict, with reasons, the identity of element **X**.

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- 3 Chemists have developed models for bonding and structure. These models are used to explain different properties of metals and non-metals.

(a) (i) Draw a labelled diagram to show the currently accepted model for *metallic bonding*.

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(ii) What feature of this model allows metals to conduct electricity?

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- (b) The metal magnesium reacts with the non-metal chlorine to form a compound magnesium chloride, MgCl_2 , which has ionic bonding.

(i) State what is meant by an *ionic bond*.

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(ii) 'Dot-and-cross' diagrams are used to model which electrons are present in the ion.

Draw a 'dot-and-cross' diagram, including outer electron shells only, to show the ions present in magnesium chloride, MgCl_2 .

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- (iii) A student finds that solid magnesium chloride and pure water do not conduct electricity. The student dissolved the magnesium chloride in the water and the resulting solution **does** conduct electricity.

Explain these observations.

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- (c) The non-metals chlorine and carbon have very different boiling points. Chlorine is a gas at room temperature but carbon does not boil until well over 4500 °C.

Explain this difference, in terms of bonding and structure.

 In your answer, you should use appropriate technical terms, spelled correctly.

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4 Calcium and its compounds, have properties typical of Group 2 in the Periodic Table.

(a) Calcium carbonate, CaCO_3 , reacts with acids such as nitric acid.

A student neutralised 2.68 g of CaCO_3 with 2.50 mol dm^{-3} nitric acid, HNO_3 .

The equation for this reaction is shown below.



(i) Determine the amount, in mol, of CaCO_3 reacted.

amount = mol [2]

(ii) Calculate the volume, in cm^3 , of CO_2 produced at room temperature and pressure.

volume = cm^3 [1]

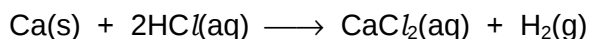
(iii) Calculate the volume of 2.50 mol dm^{-3} HNO_3 needed to neutralise 2.68 g of CaCO_3 .

volume = cm^3 [2]

(b) The student left the solution of calcium nitrate formed in (a) to crystallise. Crystals of hydrated calcium nitrate formed containing 30.50% of H_2O , by mass.

Calculate the formula of the hydrated calcium nitrate.

- (c) A student prepared an aqueous solution of calcium chloride by reacting calcium with hydrochloric acid.



- (i) Using oxidation numbers, show that this is a redox reaction.

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- (ii) The student had added the exact amount of calcium required to react with the hydrochloric acid used. After carrying out the experiment, the student accidentally added some more calcium. The student was surprised that the extra calcium still reacted.

Explain this observation. Include an equation in your answer.

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5 Water, ammonia and sulfur dioxide are simple molecular compounds.

(a) Pairs of electrons in molecules may be present as *bonding pairs* or as *lone pairs*.

(i) Complete the table below for water, ammonia and sulfur dioxide.

molecule	H ₂ O	NH ₃	SO ₂
number of bonding pairs of electrons			4 (two double bonds)
number of lone pairs of electrons around central atom			1

[2]

(ii) Use your answers to **a(i)** to help you draw the shape of, and bond angle in, a molecule of NH_3 and of SO_2 .

molecule	NH ₃	SO ₂
shape of molecule with bond angles		

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(b) Water forms hydrogen bonds which influences its properties.

Explain, with a diagram, what is meant by *hydrogen bonding* and explain **two** anomalous properties of water resulting from hydrogen bonding.

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