



COMMONWEALTH SECONDARY SCHOOL  
PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION 2018  
CHEMISTRY  
MARK SCHEME

PAPER 1

1	C	11	C	21	D	31	A
2	D	12	C	22	B	32	B
3	A	13	D	23	B	33	D
4	C	14	D	24	B	34	C
5	A	15	C	25	D	35	D
6	C	16	D	26	A	36	A
7	C	17	B	27	D	37	C
8	B	18	D	28	C	38	D
9	C	19	C	29	B	39	A
10	B	20	A	30	C	40	C

PAPER 2

Section A (50 marks)

- A1 (a) N / nitrogen [1]  
(b) K / potassium [1]  
(c) C / Carbon [1]  
(d) Ca, Zn / Calcium, Zinc [1]

[Total: 4]

- A2 (a) It means that they exist as single atom. [1]  
(b) Their outermost/valence shell is completely filled with electrons. [1]

(c) (i)

Elements	xenon	oxygen	fluorine
Mass /g	0.549	0.134	0.317
Ar	131	16	19
Mole/ mol	$0.549/131 = 0.004191$	$0.134/16 = 0.008375$	$0.317/19 = 0.01668$
Ratio	$0.004191/0.004191 = 1$	$0.008375/0.004191 = 2$	$0.01668/0.004191 = 4$

Correct no of moles with workings[1]

empirical formula: XeO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>[1]

(ii) The relative molecular mass of the compound / molar mass / relative formula mass/mass of one mole of the substance [1]

(d) Use **liquid mixture** / liquefy the mixture [1]  
**Heat** or boil the mixture (and collect fractions) [1]  
Idea that each fraction or gas **condenses at different boiling point** / lower boiling point collect first [1]

[Total: 8]

A3 (a) **Giant molecular structure**

**Small amount of energy** is required to **overcome** the **weak intermolecular forces of attraction between the layers of atoms**.

These **layers are able to slide over each other easily** thus it is slippery.

3 points – 2m

2 points – 1m

(b) number of protons: 5  
number of neutrons: 5  
1m for both ans

(c) Graphite has a **giant molecular structure**. [1]

**Lots of energy** is required to **break the strong covalent bonds between the carbon atoms** [1], thus graphite has a high melting point.

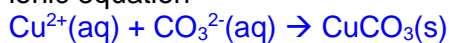
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A4 (a) (i) O<sub>2</sub> [1]  
(ii)  $2\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \rightarrow 2\text{CuO} + 4\text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_2$  [1]

(b) C is Ammonia[1]  
D is Copper(II) hydroxide[1]

- (c) name of reagent X:  
Sodium carbonate / ammonium carbonate / carbonic acid / sodium hydrogen carbonate / any soluble carbonate / carbon dioxide [1]

ionic equation



1m – correct formula + balance equation

1m – correct state symbols + correct formulas

[Total: 7]

- A5 (a) (i) Energy absorbed in bond breaking of O<sub>2</sub> is less than the energy released in the bond forming of O<sub>3</sub>. [2]

1m – Bond breaking absorbs energy and bond making releases energy

1m - Less energy absorbed than released/more energy released than absorbed

- (ii) No of moles of oxygen =  $\frac{48}{16 \times 2} = 1.5 \text{ mol}$  [1]

$$\text{Energy released} = 1.5 \times 392 = 588 \text{ kJ} [1]$$

$$\text{energy released} = \dots\dots\dots 588 \dots\dots\dots \text{kJ}$$

- (b) Chlorofluorocarbons / oxides of nitrogen (nitrogen monoxide, nitrous oxide) / chlorine radicals [1]

[Total: 5]

- A6 (a) (i) Zinc, as it is more reactive than silver, hence oxidises more readily / giving out electrons. [1]

- (ii) *Checking drawing and label*

*Tube X: contains oxygen, Tube Y: contains hydrogen.*

Volume of hydrogen is approximately double of the volume of oxygen

- (iii) For every 4 moles of electrons transferred, 1 mole of oxygen gas and 2 moles of hydrogen gas will be formed. [1]

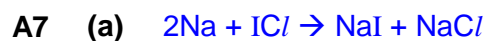
Since the number of moles of gas is proportional to the volume of gas, the volume of hydrogen gas obtained will be twice the volume of oxygen gas. [1]

- (b) (i) Cu<sup>2+</sup>, SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>, OH<sup>-</sup>, H<sup>+</sup> [1]

- (ii) As hydroxide ions are oxidized/discharged at the anode [1], the concentration of hydrogen ions in the solution increases / more hydrogen ions than hydroxide ions. [1] This causes the solution to become acidic.

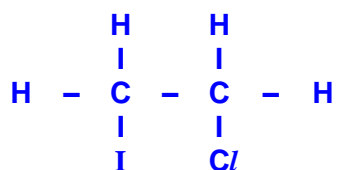
- (iii) As copper(II) ions are reduced/discharged at the cathode, the concentration of copper(II) ions decreases[1]. This cause the blue colour of the solution to fade.

[Total: 8]



[1]

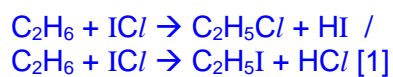
(b)



[1]

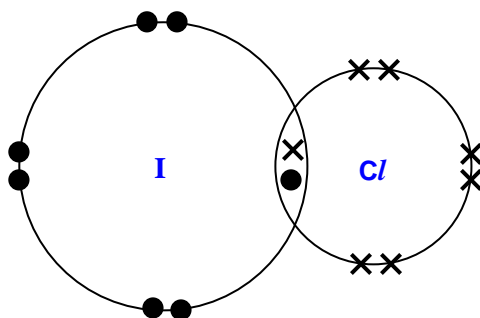
(c) Type of reaction: Substitution [1]

Equation



[2]

(d)



Minus 1m for every mistake [2]  
[Total: 6]

A8 (a) Graph: Graph G2

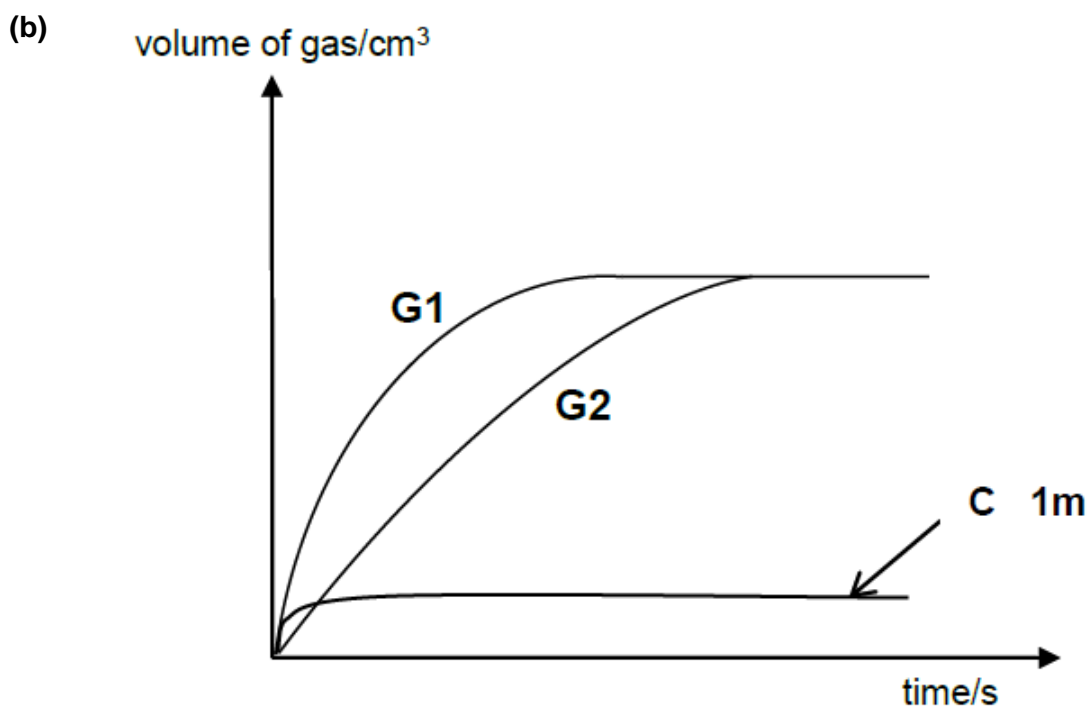
Explanation :

Sulfuric acid is dibasic while hydrochloric acid is monobasic acid, concentration of hydrogen ions in HCl is half that of  $H_2SO_4$  / sulfuric acid produces 2 hydrogen ions per molecule while hydrochloric acid produces 1 hydrogen ions per molecule [1]

frequency of collisions is lower and hence frequency of effective collision / number of effective collisions per unit time is less in HCl compared to  $H_2SO_4$ ; [1]

rate of reaction is slower [1],  
gradient is less steep [1]

[4]



Initial speed as fast as G1 → same acid

Volume of gas formed very little (less than  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the volume formed) → calcium sulfate is insoluble [1]

(c) The initial speed is the same as G1 as the same acid is used. [1]

The final volume of gas formed is very little as calcium carbonate reacts with sulfuric acid to form an insoluble layer of calcium sulfate which prevents further reaction with the acid [1]

[2]

[Total: 7]

PAPER 2  
Section B (30 marks)

- B9 (a) (i) Transition elements like iron and osmium produce a higher % yield of ammonia than main group metals aluminium and calcium after 3h / 24h. for example, at 400 °C, iron achieves a yield of 15% more than calcium.[1]

Comparing and listing data between transition and main group element [1]  
Quote the difference in % yield of transition elements and main group [1]

- (ii) Yes  
**Speed:** Comparing experiment 1 & 7, the % yield of ammonia after 3h, is 16% more. With catalyst, there is an apparent increase in yield, thus catalyst speed up the reaction. [1]

**Yield:** Comparing experiment 2 & 4/6/8/10, the % yield of ammonia after 30 days is the same at 17 %, with or without catalyst. Catalyst does not affect the final yield. [1]

[1] – speed up reaction

[1] – yield not affected

- (b) (i)
  - At lower temperature, particles possess lesser amount of energy, resulting in lower frequency of effective collision between the reactant particles.  
OR  
At lower temperature, lesser particles have energy equal or higher than that of the activation energy, resulting in lower frequency of effective collision between the reactant particles. [2]
  - Rate of reaction is slower. [1]
- (ii)
  - At a lower temperature, the yield of ammonia is higher. [1]
  - There will be more ammonia produced, hence
  - There will be more ammonia(product) formed and lesser nitrogen(reactants) and hydrogen(reactants) leaving the main reactor [1] [2]
- (iii)
  - At a lower temperature, there is no change to the final amount of ammonia. [1]
  - Final amount of ammonia is determined by the amount of nitrogen and hydrogen added into the reactor/
  - As the unreacted gases are constantly being recycled in the reactor, the final amount of ammonia remains unchanged. [1] [2]

[Total: 10]

B10 (a) (i)

	aqueous zinc nitrate	aqueous copper(II) nitrate
nickel	No visible reaction	<u>Blue solution</u> turned <u>green</u> Silver / grey metal coated with <u>pink/ reddish-brown</u> solid

[2]

3 points – 2m; 2 points – 1m;

(ii)  $\text{Zn} + \text{Cu}^{2+} \rightarrow \text{Zn}^{2+} + \text{Cu}$  [1] [1]

(iii) Zn has been oxidised as its oxidation state of Zn has increased from 0 in Zn to +2 in Zn<sup>2+</sup>. [1]  
Cu<sup>2+</sup> has been reduced as its oxidation state of Cu has decreased from +2 in Cu<sup>2+</sup> to 0 in Cu. [1]

Alt: 1m – stating substance oxidized & reduced [2]  
1m – stating the change in oxidation state for both elements & direction of change

(b) (i) Excess nickel(II) carbonate is added to ensure that the dilute nitric acid reacts completely [1] and pure nickel(II) nitrate is obtained as filtrate. [1]

(ii) If the solution is heated to dryness, anhydrous nickel(II) nitrate will be obtained / nickel(II) nitrate will decompose. [1] [1]

(iii) No. of moles of HNO<sub>3</sub> added = 25/1000 × 1.00 = 0.0250 mol [1]

No. of moles of nickel(II) nitrate produced = 0.0250 × 2 = 0.0125 mol

Mass of nickel(II) nitrate = 0.0125 × [59 + 2(14) + 6(16) + 6(18)] = 3.6375 g [1]

Percentage yield = 2/3.6375 × 100 = 54.98% = 55.0% (3sf) [1] [3]

Max 1m if the mass of nickel(II) nitrate is wrong.

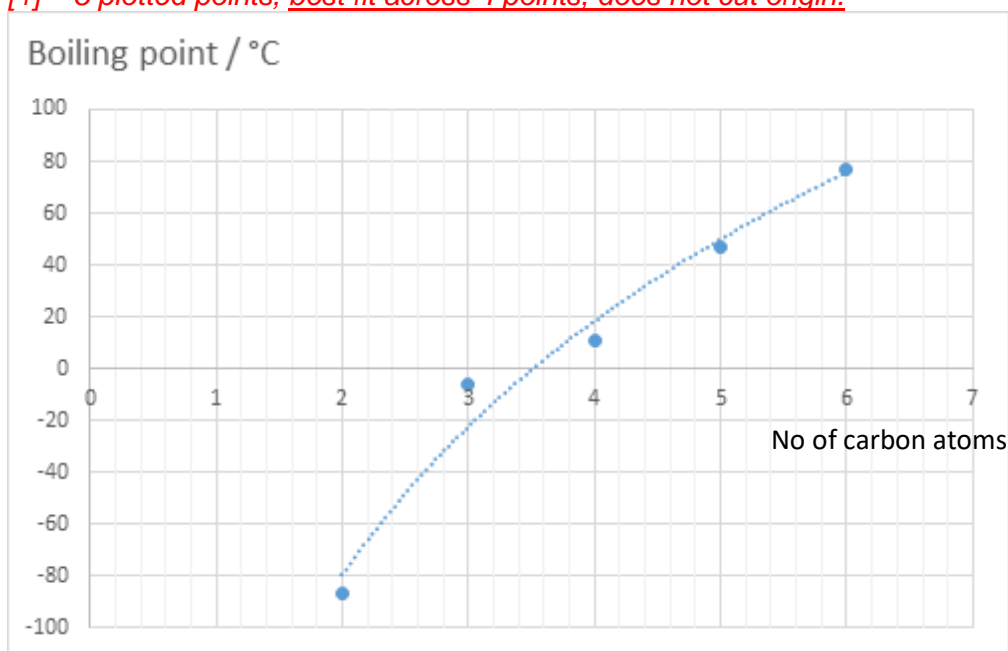
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Either

B11 (a) (i) Homologous series refers to a group of organic molecules/compound/hydrocarbons with the same functional group / shows similar chemical properties. [1]  
They show a gradual change in physical properties as the number of carbon atom increases. [1]  
Consecutive members in the homologous series differ by a –CH<sub>2</sub> group / Mr of 14. [1]  
They have the same general formula. [1] [1]

Any 1 points

- (ii) [1] – appropriate scale, well-labelled axes with units  
 [1] – 5 plotted points, best fit across 4 points, does not cut origin.



[2]

- (iii) B [1]

[1]

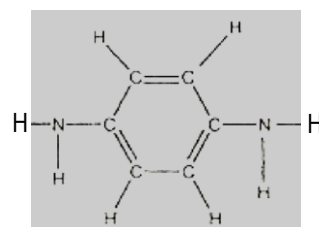
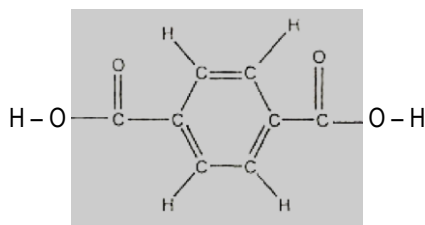
- (iv) The **boiling point increases** as the number of carbon atoms increases.[1]  
 As the number of carbon atoms increases, the **molecular size increases**.  
 This **increases the intermolecular forces** between the molecules. [1]  
**More energy** is required to overcome the forces, thus the boiling point increases. [1]

[3]

- (b) (i) **Condensation polymerization** [1]

[1]

- (ii)



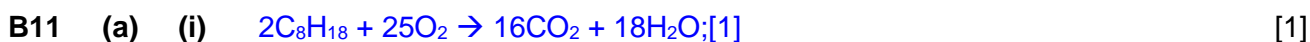
[2]

[1m each]

[Total: 10]



OR



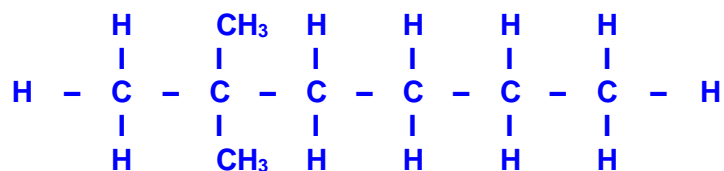
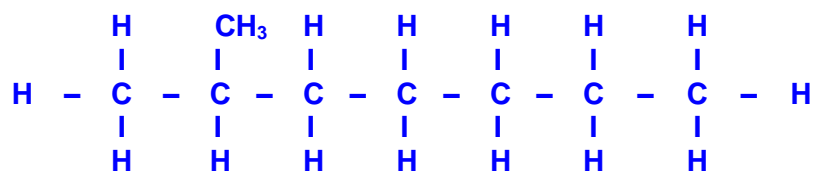
(ii) The **total** amount of **energy taken in/absorbed** to break the bonds in **isooctane and octane** is the same. [1]

The **total** amount of **energy given out/released** to form bonds in **carbon dioxide and water** is the same. [1]

Thus the enthalpy change of combustion for isooctane and octane are the same.

R: same number of bonds/same bonds are broken and formed [2]

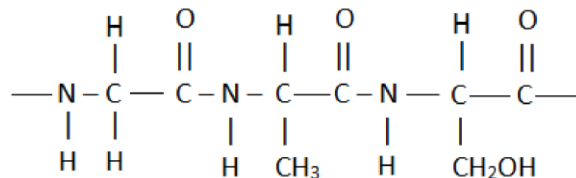
(iii)



1m for each possible isomer

[2]

(b) (i)



[1]: 2 proper amide linkages

[1]: consists of 1 glycine, 1 alanine, 1 serine

[2]

(ii)

Mr of repeat unit = 215; [1]

Number of repeat units =  $600\,000/215$ ; [1]

Number of amino acids =  $2790.7 \times 3$  or  $2791 \times 3$

= 8372.1

= 8372; [1]

= 8373 [1]

8370 [3sf] – accept

[3]

[Total: 10]