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Chemistry

CHEM1 Foundation Chemistry

Mark scheme

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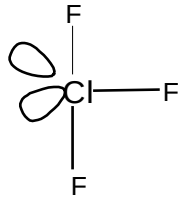
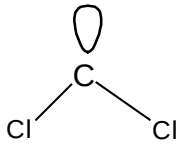
Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
1(a)	Silicon / Si	1	If not silicon then CE = 0/3
	covalent (bonds)	1	M3 dependent on correct M2
	Strong or many of the (covalent) bonds need to be broken / needs a lot of energy to break the (covalent) bonds	1	Ignore hard to break
1(b)	Argon / Ar	1	If not argon then CE = 0/3. But if Kr chosen, lose M1 and allow M2+M3
	Large(st) number of protons / large(st) nuclear charge	1	Ignore smallest atomic radius
	Same amount of shielding / same number of shells / same number of energy levels	1	Allow similar shielding
1(c)	Chlorine / Cl	1	Not Cl_2, Not C**L, not** Cl^2

1(d)(i)	 	1 1	Or any structure with 3 bonds and 2 lone pairs Ignore any angles shown Or a structure with 2 bonds and 1 lone pair
1(d)(ii)	Bent / v shape	1	Ignore non-linear, angular and triangular Apply list principle
1(d)(iii)	$\frac{1}{2}Cl_2 + \frac{3}{2}F_2 \longrightarrow ClF_3$	1	No multiples Ignore state symbols

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
2(a)	$5s^2\ 4d^{10}\ 5p^4$ / $4d^{10}\ 5s^2\ 5p^4$	1	$1s^2\ 2s^2\ 2p^6\ 3s^2\ 3p^6\ 4s^2\ 3d^{10}\ 4p^6\ 5s^2\ 4d^{10}\ 5p^4$ or $1s^2\ 2s^2\ 2p^6\ 3s^2\ 3p^6\ 3d^{10}\ 4s^2\ 4p^6\ 4d^{10}\ 5s^2\ 5p^4$ Allow any order but must finish with $5p^4$
2(b)(i)	$\frac{(124 \times 2) + (126 \times 4) + (128 \times 7) + (130 \times 6)}{19}$ or $\frac{2428}{19}$ 127.8 Or $\frac{(124 \times 10.5) + (126 \times 21.1) + (128 \times 36.8) + (130 \times 31.6)}{100}$ 127.8	1 1 1 Or 1 1 1	M1 for top line M2 for correct denominator 127.8 with no working shown scores 3 marks Mark for 100 dependent on top line correct
2(b)(ii)	Other isotopes present/some isotopes absent /different abundances of isotopes	1	
2(c)	$Te^+ + e^{(-)} \rightarrow Te$	1	Ignore state symbols Allow $Te^{2+} + 2e^{(-)} \rightarrow Te$

2(d)	128 Most abundant ion (QoL – superlative)	1 1	Only M2 dependent on correct M1
2(e)	2+ ion formed / 2 electrons removed From ^{128} (Te)	1 1	Due to $^{128}Te^{2+}$ = 2 marks Mark independently

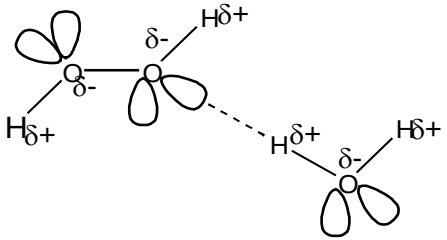
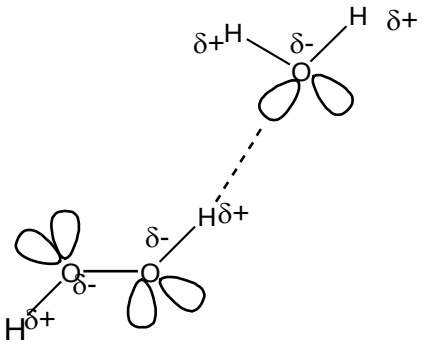
2(f)	Same (Each isotope has the) same number of protons/same nuclear charge <u>and</u> same number of electrons / electronic configuration	1 1	If not same CE = 0/2 Ignore more neutrons in ^{130}Te

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
3(a)	Macromolecular / giant covalent / giant molecule	1	Not giant atomic
3(b)	No delocalised electrons / no free ions / no free charged particles	1	
3(c)	$SiO_2 + 6HF \longrightarrow H_2SiF_6 + 2H_2O$	1	Accept multiples

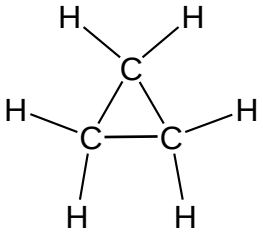
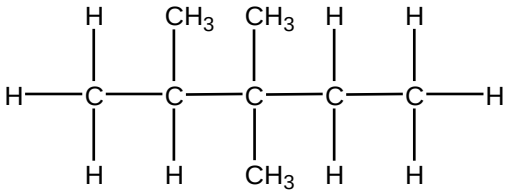
Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
4(a)	0.943 g water (M1) $NiSO_4$ H_2O $\frac{1.344}{154.8}$ (M2) $\frac{0.943}{18}$ (M3) (8.68×10^{-3} 0.052) 1 6 or $x = \frac{6}{}$ (M4) Allow other methods eg M_r ($NiSO_4$) = 58.7 + 32.1 + 64.0 = 154.8 n($NiSO_4$) = $\frac{1.344}{154.8}$ = 0.008682 mol (M1) M_r ($NiSO_4.xH_2O$) = $\frac{2.287}{0.008682}$ = (263.4) (M2) so $18x$ = 263.4 – 154.8 = (108.6) (M3) so $x = \frac{108.6}{18} = \frac{6}{}$ (M4)	4	If Mr of $NiSO_4$ wrong, can allow M1 and M3 from method 1 i.e. max 2 Allow Mr = 155 If using alternative method and Mr of $NiSO_4$ wrong, allow ecf to score M2 and M3 only i.e. max 2
4(b)	re-heat check that mass is unchanged	1 1	Heat to constant mass = 2 marks M2 dependent on M1 Allow as alternative:

			M1: record an IR spectrum M2: peak between 3230 and 3550 (cm^{-1})

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
5(a)	94–105.5^{o}	1	
5(b)(i)	Hydrogen bond(ing) / H bonding/H bonds	1	Not just hydrogen

5(b)(ii)	 **OR** 	3	1 mark for all lone pairs 1 mark for partial charges on the O and the H that are involved in H bonding 1 mark for the H-bond, from Hδ+ on one molecule to lone pair on O of other molecule
5(c)	Electronegativity of S lower than O or electronegativity difference between H and S is lower No hydrogen bonding <u>between H_2S_2 molecules</u> Or <u>only</u> van der Waals / <u>only</u> dipole-dipole forces <u>between H_2S_2 molecules</u>	1 1	Mark independently If breaking covalent bonds CE = 0

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
6(a)	Saturated – single bonds only / no double bonds Hydrocarbon – contains carbon and hydrogen (atoms) <u>only</u>	1 1	
6(b)	$C_{16}H_{34} + 16.5O_2 \longrightarrow 16CO + 17H_2O$	1	Allow multiples
6(c)	(On combustion) SO_2 produced Which causes acid rain	1 1	Allow equation to produce SO_2. Ignore sulfur oxides. If formula shown it must be correct M2 is dependent on M1. But if M1 is sulfur oxides, allow M2. For M2 allow consequence of acid rain or SO_2. Ignore greenhouse effect and toxic
6(d)(i)	$C_{16}H_{34} \longrightarrow C_8H_{18} + C_2H_4 + 2C_3H_6$	1	Allow multiples

6(d)(ii)	polypropene / propan(-1 or 2-)ol / propane(-1,2-)diol / isopropanol / propanone / propanal	1	Accept alternative names Ignore plastic and polymer
6(d)(iii)		1	
6(e)		1	Allow any unambiguous representation
6(f)	2,4-dichloro-2,4-dimethylhexane	1	Only but ignore punctuation

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
7(a)	M1 $550 \times \frac{100}{95} = 579$ g would be 100% mass M2 So $\frac{579}{65} = 8.91$ moles NaN_3 **or** M1 $\frac{550}{65} = 8.46$ moles NaN_3 (this is 95%) M2 So 100% would be $8.46 \times \frac{100}{95} = 8.91$ moles NaN_3 Then M3 Moles $NaNH_2 = 8.91 \times 2 = (17.8(2)$ moles) M4 mass $NaNH_2 = 17.8(2) \times 39$ M5 693 or 694 or 695 (g)	1 1 1 1	Allow alternative methods. There are 4 process marks: 1: mass ÷ 65 2: mass or moles × 100/95 or × 1.05 3: moles NaN_3 × 2 4: moles $NaNH_2$ × 39 If 693, 694 or 695 seen to 3 sig figs award 5 marks

7(b)	M1 308 K and 150 000 Pa	1	
	M2 $n = \frac{PV}{RT}$ or $\frac{150\,000 \times 7.5 \times 10^{-2}}{8.31 \times 308}$	1	
	M3 = 4.4(0) or 4.395 moles N_2	1	Allow only this answer but allow to more than 3 sig figs
	M4 Moles $NaN_3 = 4.395 \times \frac{2}{3}$ (= 2.93)	1	M4 is for M3 × $\frac{2}{3}$
	M5 Mass NaN_3 = (2.93) × 65	1	M5 is for moles M4 × 65
	M6 = 191 g	1	Allow 190 to 191 g allow answers to 2 sig figs or more

7(c)(i)	150/65 = 2.31 moles NaN_3 or 2.31 moles nitrous acid	1	
	Conc = $2.31 \times \frac{1000}{500}$	1	M2 is for M1 × 1000/500
	4.6(1) or 4.6(2) (mol dm^{-3})	1	Only this answer
7(c)(ii)	$3HNO_2 \longrightarrow HNO_3 + 2NO + H_2O$	1	Can allow multiples
7(d)	Ionic	1	If not ionic then CE = 0/3
	Oppositely charged ions / Na^+ and N_3^- ions	1	Penalise incorrect ions here but can allow M3
	Strong attraction between (oppositely charged) ions / lots of energy needed to overcome (strong) attractions (between ions)	1	M3 dependent on M2

7(e)(i)	$N \equiv N \longrightarrow N^-$	1	Only
7(e)(ii)	CO_2 / N_2O / BeF_2/HN_3	1	Allow other correct molecules
7(e)(iii)	MgN_6	1	Only

General principles applied to marking CHEM1 papers by CMI+ (June 2015)

It is important to note that the guidance given here is generic and specific variations may be made in the mark scheme.

Basic principles

- **Examiners should note that throughout the mark scheme, items that are underlined are <u>required information</u> to gain credit.**
- **Occasionally a response involves incorrect chemistry and the mark scheme records CE = 0, which means a chemical error has occurred and no credit is given for that section of the clip or for the whole clip.**

The "List principle" and the use of "ignore" in the mark scheme

If a question requires **one** answer and a student gives two answers, no mark is scored if one answer is correct and one answer is incorrect. There is no penalty if both answers are correct.

NB Certain answers are designated in the mark scheme as those that the examiner should "Ignore". These answers are not counted as part of the list and should be ignored and will not be penalised.

Incorrect case for element symbol

The use of an incorrect case for the symbol of an element should be penalised **once only** within a clip.

For example, penalise the use of "h" for hydrogen, "CL" for chlorine or "br" for bromine.

Spelling

In general

- The names of organic chemical compounds and functional groups **must be spelled correctly**, when specifically asked for, to gain credit.
- Phonetic spelling may be acceptable for some chemical compounds (eg amonia would be phonetically acceptable. However, ammoniam would be unacceptable since it is ambiguous).

NB Some terms may be required to be spelled correctly or an idea needs to be articulated with clarity, as part of the "Quality of Language" (**QoL**) marking. These will be identified in the mark scheme and marks are awarded only if the QoL criterion is satisfied.

Equations
In general

- Equations **must** be balanced.
- State symbols are <u>generally</u> ignored, unless specifically required in the mark scheme.

Lone Pairs

The following representations of lone pairs in structures are acceptable.

 with or without the 2 electrons shown **OR**  **OR** x x **OR** x x **OR** 

Reagents

The command word "Identify", allows the candidate to choose to use **either** the name or the formula of a reagent in their answer. In some circumstances, the list principle may apply when the name and formula contradict. Specific details will be given in mark schemes.

Marking calculations
In general

- A correct answer alone will score **full marks** unless the necessity to show working is specifically required in the question.
- If a candidate has made an arithmetical error or a transcription error deduct one mark, but continue marking (error carried forward).

Organic structures

In general

- Displayed formulae must show all of the bonds and all of the atoms in the molecule, but need not show correct bond angles.
- Bonds should be drawn correctly between the relevant atoms.
- Latitude should be given to the representation of C ─ C bonds in structures, given that CH_3─ is considered to be interchangeable with H_3C─ even though the latter would be preferred.
- The following representations are allowed:-