

## ATOMIC STRUCTURE – ASSIGNMENT

### Multiple-Choice Questions [20 Marks]

TOTAL SCORE / 30

Write in your selected answer for the multiple-choice questions in the boxes provided.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
C	D	C	A	D	A	C	B	D	C
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
D	A	D	C	D	D	C	D	D	C

- The nucleus of an atom contains
  - protons only.
  - electrons and protons only.
  - protons and neutrons only.
  - neutrons only.
- The mass number of an atom or an ion can be calculated by
  - number of protons + electrons.
  - number of protons + nucleons.
  - number of electrons + neutrons.
  - number of nucleons.
- Which one of the following statements is **not** correct?
  - All hydrogen atoms contain one proton.
  - A proton has the same mass as a neutron.
  - An electron is 1840 times heavier than a proton.
  - A proton has the same but opposite charge as an electron.
- Which of the following statements is true for all neutral atoms?
  - number of protons = number of electrons
  - number of protons = number of neutrons
  - number of neutrons = number of electrons
  - number of neutrons = number of protons + electrons
- The element, symbol **E**, is written as  ${}^Z_A\text{E}$ . Which of the following is correct?
  - The number of neutrons in the nucleus is Z.
  - There are A electrons in the nucleus.
  - There are (Z – A) electrons surrounding the nucleus.
  - There are A protons in the nucleus.

6. An iodine atom has nucleon number 127 and proton number 53. The atom contains
- A** 53 electrons      **B** 53 neutrons      **C** 74 electrons      **D** 127 neutrons
7. Which of the following shows an isotope of sulfur with 16 protons and 18 neutrons?
- A**  $^{18}_{16}\text{S}$       **B**  $^{32}_{16}\text{S}$       **C**  $^{34}_{16}\text{S}$       **D**  $^{18}_{34}\text{S}$
8. The number of neutrons present in an atom of manganese represented as  $^{55}_{25}\text{Mn}$  is
- A** 25      **B** 30      **C** 55      **D** 75
9. The atoms  $^{31}_{15}\text{P}$  and  $^{32}_{16}\text{S}$  have the same number of
- A** protons      **B** nucleons      **C** electrons      **D** neutrons
10. Which element in the table has atoms each containing 24 neutrons?

element	atomic number	mass number
<b>A</b>	8	16
<b>B</b>	12	24
<b>C</b>	21	45
<b>D</b>	22	48

11. Which of the following nuclei contains 90 protons and 144 neutrons?
- A**  $^{90}_{54}\text{X}$       **B**  $^{144}_{54}\text{X}$       **C**  $^{144}_{90}\text{X}$       **D**  $^{234}_{90}\text{X}$
12. Which of the following atoms has fewer neutrons than protons in its nucleus?
- A**  $^3_2\text{He}$       **B**  $^7_3\text{Li}$       **C**  $^9_4\text{Be}$       **D**  $^{11}_5\text{B}$
13. The relative atomic mass of naturally occurring chlorine is **not** a whole number. The most important reason for this is that
- A** chlorine is radioactive.  
**B** the mass of the electrons has been included.  
**C** naturally occurring chlorine cannot be obtained pure.  
**D** chlorine is made up of more than one type of atom.
14. Identify the missing word in the sentence below.
- "The ..... electron shell (energy level) is able to accommodate up to a maximum of 18 electrons, but is generally stable after 8 electrons."*
- A** first      **B** second      **C** third      **D** fourth

15. The table shows the number of protons, neutrons and electrons in four ions. For which ion is the data correct?

	ion	protons	neutrons	electrons
<b>A</b>	$^{40}_{20}\text{Ca}^{2+}$	20	20	20
<b>B</b>	$^{19}_9\text{F}^-$	9	10	8
<b>C</b>	$^{18}_8\text{O}^{2-}$	10	8	12
<b>D</b>	$^{23}_{11}\text{Na}^+$	11	12	10

16. An atom of argon has 18 electrons. Which of the following do **not** have 18 electrons?

**A**  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$                       **B**  $\text{Cl}^-$                       **C**  $\text{K}^+$                       **D**  $\text{O}^{2-}$

17. When a magnesium atom ( $\text{Mg}$ ) becomes a magnesium ion ( $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ ), it

**A** gains two electrons.                      **C** loses two electrons.  
**B** gains two protons.                      **D** loses two protons.

18. Which of the following best describes a similarity and a difference between isotopes of the same element?

	<i>similarity</i>	<i>difference</i>
<b>A</b>	boiling point	number of protons
<b>B</b>	electronic configuration	relative atomic mass
<b>C</b>	nucleon number	chemical properties
<b>D</b>	number of electrons	melting point

19. Hydrogen occurs as three isotopes,  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^2\text{D}$  and  $^3\text{T}$ . Which of the following statements pertaining to the three isotopes is true?

**A** An ion of  $\text{D}^+$  contains two electrons.  
**B** D has twice the number of electrons as H.  
**C** H and D have the same number of nucleons.  
**D** T has twice the number of neutrons compared to D.

20. Which of the following molecules contains the highest number of protons?

**A**  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$                       **B**  $\text{NH}_3$                       **C**  $\text{PCl}_3$                       **D**  $\text{SO}_3$

Structured Questions [10 Marks]

21. (a) Define the term 'isotopes'. [1]

Two or more atoms with the same number of protons, but a different number of neutrons/nucleons.

- (b) It was found that the element copper has two naturally-occurring isotopes.

Isotope	$^{63}_{29}\text{Cu}$	$^{65}_{29}\text{Cu}$
Abundance	69.2 %	30.8 %

Calculate the relative atomic mass of copper to two decimal places. [2]

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Relative Mass} &= 69.2\% \text{ of copper-63} + 30.8\% \text{ of copper-65} \\ &= (0.692 \times 63) + (0.308 \times 65) \\ &= 63.616 \\ &= 63.62 \text{ (2 d.p.)}\end{aligned}$$

22. The table shows the atomic structure of six unknown particles, represented by the letters **L** to **P**. The particles could be atoms or ions. [3]

particle	electrons	protons	neutrons
<b>L</b>	6	6	6
<b>M</b>	12	12	12
<b>N</b>	10	12	12
<b>O</b>	6	6	8
<b>P</b>	10	13	14

- (a) Which two particles are an atom and an ion of the same element?

M & N

- (b) Which two particles are isotopes of the same element?

L & O

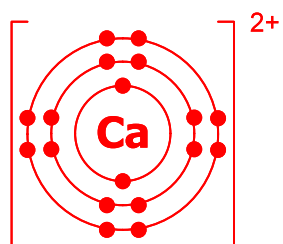
- (c) Which particle has the highest atomic mass?

P

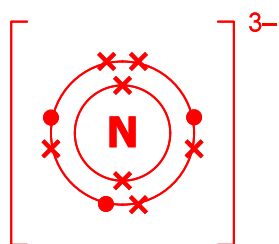
23. Draw a 'dot-and-cross' diagrams for

[4]

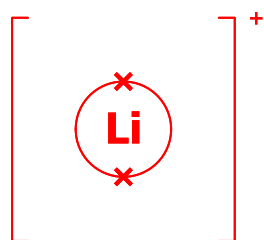
(a) a calcium ion ( $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ),



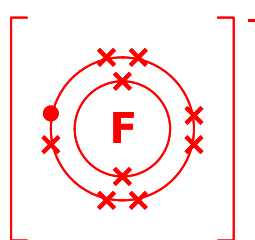
(c) a nitride ion ( $\text{N}^{3-}$ ), and



(b) a lithium ion ( $\text{Li}^+$ ),



(d) a fluoride ion ( $\text{F}^-$ ).



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