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Section B and C

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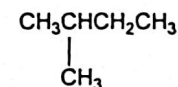
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Section B: Structured Questions (60 marks)

You are advised to spend **not more than 1 h 30 min** on this section.

- 1 2-methylbutane is an extremely volatile and flammable liquid at room temperature. It is used in conjunction with liquid nitrogen in cryosectioning in histology.

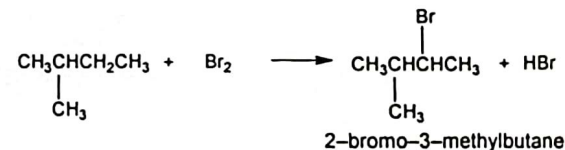


2-methylbutane

- (a) Alkanes are generally unreactive. Suggest a possible reason why this is so. [1]

Due to the non-polar nature of alkanes, they are generally unreactive towards polar or ionic reagents like acids, alkalis, or aqueous oxidising agents
OR The C-C and the C-H bond are very strong and requires a large amount of energy to be broken.

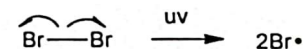
- (b) 2-methylbutane reacts with bromine gas under ultraviolet light to form a mixture of products. One possible product is 2-bromo-3-methylbutane.



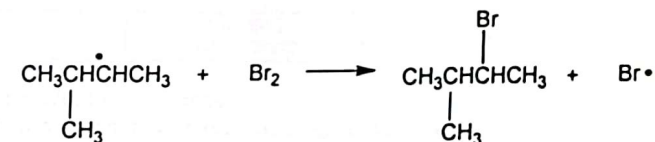
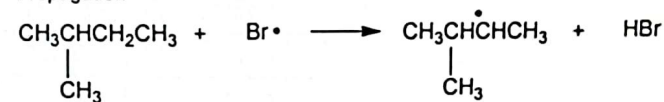
- (i) Name and outline the mechanism for the reaction of 2-methylbutane with bromine gas to form 2-bromo-3-methylbutane. [3]

Name of mechanism: Free Radical Substitution

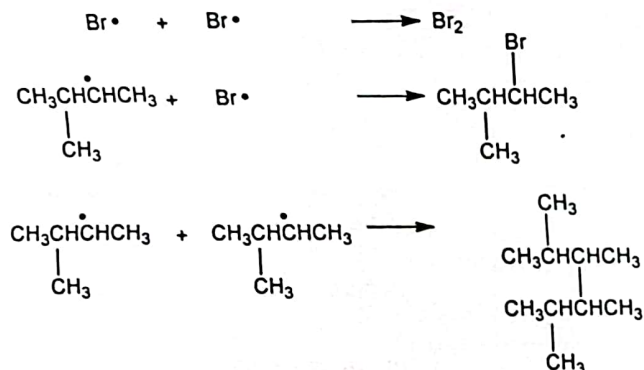
Initiation



Propagation



Termination



- (ii) Other possible isomeric products that could be formed from the reaction of 2-methylbutane and bromine gas are listed in the table below.

Predict the ratio in which these 3 isomeric products are formed.

[1]

	$ \begin{array}{c} \text{Br} \\ \\ \text{CH}_2\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}_3 \\ \\ \text{CH}_3 \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{c} \text{Br} \\ \\ \text{CH}_3\text{CCH}_2\text{CH}_3 \\ \\ \text{CH}_3 \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{c} \text{Br} \\ \\ \text{CH}_3\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}_2 \\ \\ \text{CH}_3 \end{array} $
Ratio	6	1	3

- (c) 2-methylbutane reacts with excess chlorine gas to give a mixture of various chlorinated products such as $\text{C}_5\text{H}_{11}\text{Cl}$, $\text{C}_5\text{H}_{10}\text{Cl}_2$ and $\text{C}_5\text{H}_9\text{Cl}_3$.

In one such reaction, a sample of this mixture of chlorinated products weighing 0.451 g was vaporised at 200 °C and 101 kPa, and found to occupy a volume of 127 cm³.

- (i) Calculate the apparent molar mass of the resultant gas mixture.

[2]

$$PV = nRT = \frac{m}{M}RT$$

$$101 \times 10^3 \times 127 \times 10^{-6} = \frac{0.451}{M} \times 8.31 \times (273 + 200)$$

$$M = 138.3 \text{ g mol}^{-1} \text{ (1 d.p.)}$$

- (ii) Hence, deduce with reasoning which chlorinated product was present in highest abundance in the mixture.

[1]

	Molar mass / g mol ⁻¹
$\text{C}_5\text{H}_{11}\text{Cl}$	106.5
$\text{C}_5\text{H}_{10}\text{Cl}_2$	141.0
$\text{C}_5\text{H}_9\text{Cl}_3$	175.5

Since the apparent molar mass of resultant gas mixture is closest to that of $\text{C}_5\text{H}_{10}\text{Cl}_2$, this means $\text{C}_5\text{H}_{10}\text{Cl}_2$ is in highest abundance in the mixture.

[Total: 8]

2 This question is related to the atomic properties of gaseous diatomic molecules.

- (a) At low temperatures and pressures, the alkali metals can exist as gaseous diatomic molecules. Recent research has investigated the mixing of gaseous diatomic molecules of different alkali metals (reported in *Science* 2010). Spectroscopic techniques can be used to measure the bond energies of diatomic molecules. When measured in this way, the values of bond energies are given in wavenumbers, which has the unit cm^{-1} .

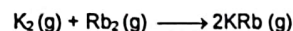
Some values are shown in the table.

diatomic molecule	Bond energy (BE) / cm^{-1}
K_2	4405
Rb_2	3966
KRb	4180

The enthalpy change, in cm^{-1} for a reaction, ΔH can be determined using the following mathematical expression:

$$\Delta H = \sum \text{BE}(\text{bonds broken in reactants}) - \sum \text{BE}(\text{bonds formed in products})$$

- (i) Using the expression given above, calculate the enthalpy change, in cm^{-1} , for the reaction between K_2 and Rb_2 .



[1]

$$\Delta H = \sum \text{BE}(\text{bonds broken in reactants}) - \sum \text{BE}(\text{bonds formed in products})$$

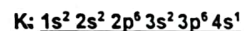
$$\Delta H = [\text{BE}(\text{K-K}) + \text{BE}(\text{Rb-Rb})] - [2\text{BE}(\text{K-Rb})]$$

$$\Delta H = [4405 + 3966] - 2[4180]$$

$$\Delta H = 11.0 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

- (ii) Complete the electronic configuration of a potassium atom.

[1]



- (iii) Explain why potassium has a higher first ionisation energy than rubidium.

[2]

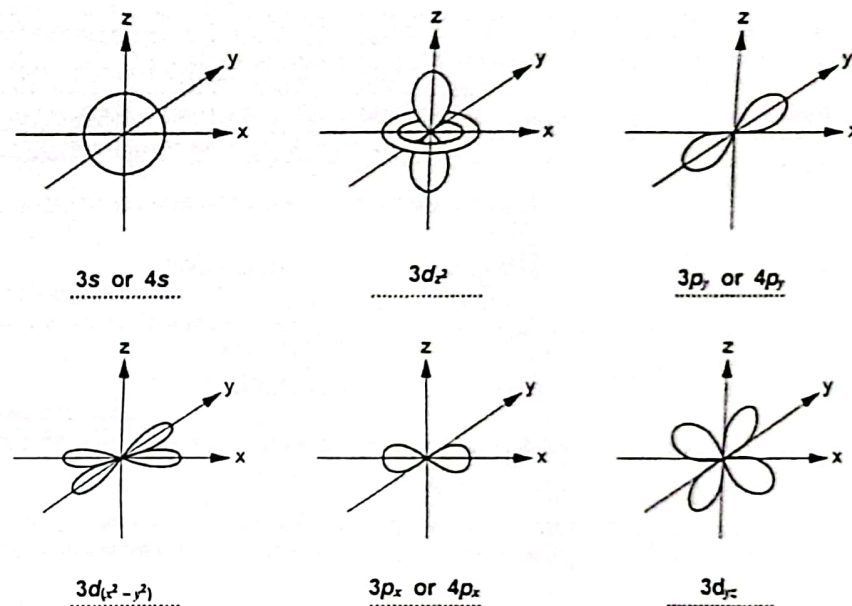
- Atomic radius: $\text{Rb} > \text{K}$ or size of $\text{Rb} > \text{K}$ hence valence electrons are further away from the nucleus.
- There is weaker electrostatic attraction between nucleus and the valence electrons of Rb.

- (b) Non-metallic diatomic molecules such as halogens Cl_2 and Br_2 are commonly used in halogen incandescent lamps.

- (i) Sketches of the shapes of some atomic orbitals from the principal quantum shells of $n=3$ and $n=4$ of the bromine atom are shown below in random order.

Suggest a possible label for each orbital.

[2]



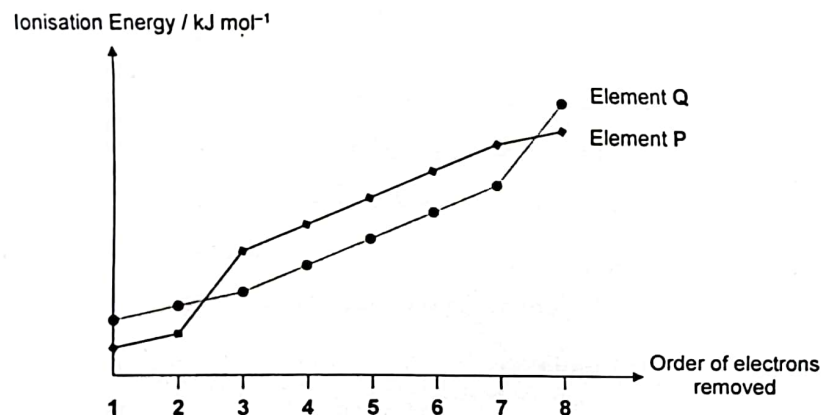
Electronic configuration of Br: $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^4 3d^4 4s^2 4p^5$

- (ii) The first ionisation energy of bromine is higher than that of selenium. Explain this observation.

[1]

- Nuclear charge of Br > Se but shielding effect is constant; effective nuclear charge of Br > Se
- Strength of electrostatic attraction between nucleus and valence electrons: Br > Se

- (c) P and Q are elements in the third period of the Periodic Table. The figure below shows the ionisation energies when the first eight outermost electrons are removed from each atom of elements P and Q.



- (i) State the Group of the Periodic Table that each element P and Q belongs to.

[1]

Element P belongs to Group 2

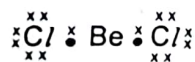
Element Q belongs to Group 17

- (ii) R is an element which is in the same Group as element P.

R and Q can form a corresponding compound that is a non-conductor of electricity in molten state.

Using the above information as well as that from (c)(i), draw the dot-and-cross diagram to illustrate the bonding in the compound formed between R and Q.

[1]



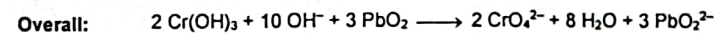
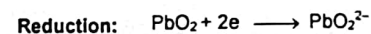
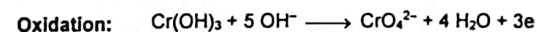
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- 3 Lead(IV) oxide, PbO_2 is an odourless dark-brown crystalline powder. It is sparingly soluble in water and is a strong oxidising agent.

Under basic conditions, solid PbO_2 reacts with solid $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$ to form CrO_4^{2-} and PbO_2^{2-} ions.

- (a) Write the balanced half-equations and hence construct an overall equation for the reaction between solid PbO_2 and solid $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$ under basic conditions.

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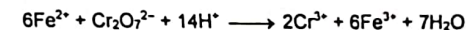
The percentage by mass of PbO_2 in a sample can be determined by the following titrimetric method.

A 5.00 g of sample containing PbO_2 was reacted with excess solid $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$ in an alkaline medium. The resultant solution containing CrO_4^{2-} was then diluted to 250 cm^3 in a volumetric flask.

A 25.0 cm^3 aliquot of this diluted solution was then acidified to give $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ as shown in the following equation:



The 25.0 cm^3 aliquot was then titrated against 0.150 mol dm^{-3} aqueous iron(II), Fe^{2+} using a suitable indicator.



The experimental results for the titration are shown in the data table below.

Titration number	1	2	3
Final burette reading / cm^3	25.55	33.75	40.90
Initial burette reading / cm^3	0.00	8.35	15.60
Volume of Fe^{2+} (aq) used / cm^3	25.55	25.40	25.30

- (b) Complete the data table above. Using the experimental results, calculate the amount of Fe^{2+} ions required to react with $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ ions in the 25.0 cm^3 aliquot.

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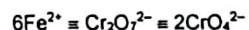
$$\text{Average volume of } \text{Fe}^{2+} \text{ used} = \frac{25.40 + 25.30}{2} = 25.35 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Amount of } \text{Fe}^{2+} \text{ reacted} &= 0.150 \times \frac{25.35}{1000} = 3.803 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol} \\ &= 3.80 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol (3 s.f.)} \end{aligned}$$

- (c) The maximum uncertainty of any single burette reading is $\pm 0.05 \text{ cm}^3$. Calculate the maximum percentage uncertainty in the titre volume calculated in (b).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{\% Uncertainty} &= \frac{\pm(0.05 + 0.05)}{25.35} \times 100\% = \frac{\pm 0.10}{25.35} \times 100\% \\ &= \pm 0.39\% \text{ (2 s.f.)} \end{aligned} \quad [1]$$

- (d) Calculate the percentage by mass of PbO_2 in the given sample.

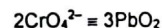


$$\text{Amount of Fe}^{2+} \text{ used} = 3.803 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{Amount of Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} \text{ in } 25.0 \text{ cm}^3 = \frac{3.803 \times 10^{-3}}{6} = 6.338 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{Amount of CrO}_4^{2-} \text{ in } 25.0 \text{ cm}^3 = 6.338 \times 10^{-4} \times 2 = 1.268 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{Amount of CrO}_4^{2-} \text{ in } 250 \text{ cm}^3 = 1.268 \times 10^{-3} \times \frac{250}{25.0} = 0.01268 \text{ mol}$$



$$\text{Amount of PbO}_2 = 0.01268 \times \frac{3}{2} = 0.01901 \text{ mol}$$

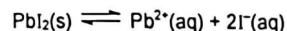
$$\text{Mass of PbO}_2 \text{ used} = 0.01901 \times (207.2 + 32.0) = 4.548 \text{ g}$$

$$\text{Percentage by mass of PbO}_2 = \frac{4.548}{5.00} \times 100\% = 91.0\% \text{ (3 s.f.)}$$

Lead(II) iodide, PbI_2 and lead(II) sulfate, PbSO_4 are two commonly used lead-based reagents. PbI_2 exists as a yellow solid while PbSO_4 exists as a white solid. Their solubility products, K_{sp} at 20°C are given in the table below:

Compound	Numerical value of K_{sp}
PbI_2	4.4×10^{-9}
PbSO_4	2.1×10^{-8}

- (e) Suggest using quantitative calculations, which of these two compounds is more soluble in water at 20°C .



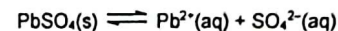
$$K_{sp}(\text{PbI}_2) = [\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{I}^{-}]^2$$

$$4.4 \times 10^{-9} = (s)(2s)^2$$

$$4.4 \times 10^{-9} = 4s^3$$

$$s = \sqrt[3]{\frac{4.4 \times 10^{-9}}{4}} = 1.03 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

[2]



$$K_{sp}(\text{PbSO}_4) = [\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]$$

$$2.1 \times 10^{-8} = (s)(s)$$

$$2.1 \times 10^{-8} = s^2$$

$$s = \sqrt{2.1 \times 10^{-8}} = 1.45 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

PbI_2 is more soluble than PbSO_4 because it has a higher solubility.

- (f) 50 cm^3 of $0.00200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ NaI solution and 50 cm^3 of $0.00500 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ Na_2SO_4 solution are mixed at 20°C . To the resultant solution, 100 cm^3 of $0.0100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ $\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ was then added.

State and explain, with the aid of relevant calculations if precipitation will occur. Hence, state the expected observation when these solutions are mixed.

[3]

$$\text{Ionic product of PbSO}_4 = [\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]$$

$$= \left[\frac{0.0100 \times \frac{100}{1000}}{\frac{200}{1000}} \right] \left[\frac{0.00500 \times \frac{50}{1000}}{\frac{200}{1000}} \right]$$

$$= 5.00 \times 10^{-3} \times 1.25 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$= 6.25 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol}^2 \text{ dm}^{-6}$$

Ionic product of $\text{PbSO}_4 > K_{sp}(\text{PbSO}_4)$

$$\text{Ionic product of PbI}_2 = [\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{I}^{-}]^2$$

$$= \left[\frac{0.0100 \times \frac{100}{1000}}{\frac{200}{1000}} \right] \left[\frac{0.00200 \times \frac{50}{1000}}{\frac{200}{1000}} \right]^2$$

$$= 5.00 \times 10^{-3} \times 2.50 \times 10^{-7}$$

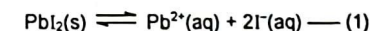
$$= 1.25 \times 10^{-9} \text{ mol}^3 \text{ dm}^{-9}$$

Ionic product of $\text{PbI}_2 < K_{sp}(\text{PbI}_2)$

Hence, only white precipitate of PbSO_4 be observed.

- (g) State and explain how the solubility of PbI_2 would be affected if PbI_2 is dissolved in an aqueous solution of KI .

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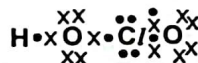
There will be common ion effect due to I^{-} or identify common ion is I^{-} By *Le Chatelier's Principle*, equilibrium position in (1) will shift left to decrease $[\text{I}^{-}]$. The solubility of PbI_2 is decreased.

[Total: 14]

- 4 Chlorous acid, HClO_2 is the main component present in 'KlorusKare', a disinfectant for food products such as vegetables and seafood.

(a) Chlorous acid contains two central atoms.

- (i) Complete the dot-and-cross diagram of chlorous acid, HC/O_2 in the sketch of the molecule given below.



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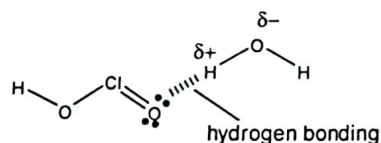
- (ii) Using the *Valence Shell Electron Pair Repulsion* theory, state and explain the shape with respect to the chlorine atom.

[2]

- There are 2 bond pairs and 2 lone pairs around central atom or chlorine atom.
- To minimise repulsion, the 4 electron pairs are directed to the corners of a (regular) tetrahedron.
- But lone pair-lone pair repulsion > lone pair-bond pair repulsion > bond pair-bond pair repulsion
- Hence the shape is bent.

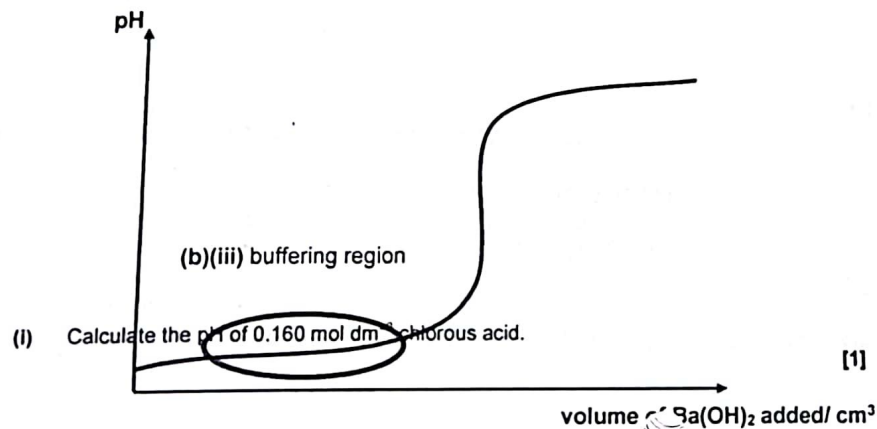
- (iii) Draw a labelled diagram to illustrate the solubility of chlorous acid in water.

[1]



Chlorous acid acts as a weak monobasic acid when dissolved in water. The acid dissociation constant, K_a of chlorous acid is $1.10 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$.

- (b) The following sketch of titration curve was obtained when $0.10 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ Ba(OH)}_2$ was gradually added to a 25.0 cm^3 aqueous solution of $0.160 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ HC/O}_2$ at 25°C .



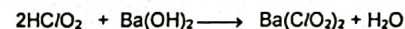
[1]

$$[\text{H}^+] = \sqrt{0.16 \times 1.1 \times 10^{-2}} \\ = 4.20 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

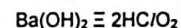
$$\text{pH} = -\log_{10} (4.20 \times 10^{-2}) = 1.38$$

- (ii) Determine the equivalence volume of Ba(OH)_2 for the titration.

[1]



$$\text{Initial amount of HC/O}_2 \text{ present} = \frac{25.0}{1000} \times 0.160 \\ = 4.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$



$$\text{Amount of Ba(OH)}_2 \text{ needed} = 2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

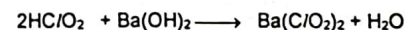
$$\text{Equivalence volume of Ba(OH)}_2 = \frac{2.00 \times 10^{-3}}{0.10} = 0.0200 \text{ dm}^3 \\ = 20.0 \text{ cm}^3$$

- (iii) Indicate clearly on the titration curve the region within which the solution is acting as a buffer.

[1]

- (iv) Calculate the pH of the resultant solution formed when only 12.0 cm^3 of Ba(OH)_2 was added.

[2]



$$\text{Amount of Ba(OH)}_2 \text{ added} = \frac{12.0}{1000} \times 0.10 = 1.20 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$



$$\text{Amount of HC/O}_2 \text{ remaining} = 4.00 \times 10^{-3} - 2(1.20 \times 10^{-3}) = 1.60 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{Amount of Ba(C/O}_2)_2 \text{ formed} = 1.20 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{Amount of C/O}_2^- \text{ formed} = 2.40 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

Resulting solution is an acidic buffer containing HC/O_2 and C/O_2^-

$$\text{new } [\text{HC/O}_2] = \frac{0.00160}{0.025 + 0.012} = 0.0432 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

$$\text{new } [\text{C/O}_2^-] = \frac{0.00240}{0.037} = 0.0649 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

$$\text{pH} = \text{p}K_a + \log_{10} \frac{[\text{C/O}_2^-]}{[\text{HC/O}_2]} = -\log_{10}(1.1 \times 10^{-2}) + \log_{10} \frac{0.0649}{0.0432} = 2.14$$

- (v) The pH at the equivalence point of the titration is greater than 7. Suggest an equation to account for the nature of this equivalence point.

[1]



The table shows a list of indicators.

Indicator	pH at which colour changes
bromocresol green	3.8 – 5.4
cresol red	7.2 – 8.8
indigo carmine	11.4 – 13.0

- (vi) Select the most suitable indicator for the titration, giving a reason for your choice.

[1]
Cresol red. The pH transition range of the indicator lies within the rapid pH change over the equivalence point.

Chloric(I) acid, HC/O is an oxidising agent and the chlorate(I) ion, ClO_2^- , is used as an effective disinfectant in swimming pools.

- (c) A solution containing HC/O (aq) and ClO_2^- (aq) can act as a buffer solution.

With the aid of an equation, explain how the pH of the buffer solution is maintained on addition of small amounts of base.

[2]



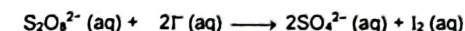
The added OH^- is removed as ClO_2^- and H_2O .

$[\text{OH}^-]$ is slightly changed hence pH remains fairly constant.

[Total: 13]

- 5 This question is about the kinetics of the reaction between peroxydisulfate, $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}$ and iodide.

- (a) $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}$ and I^- react in an acidified medium to produce I_2 as follows:



The kinetics of this reaction was studied. A fixed volume of starch solution and a small measured volume of $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ solution were added to an acidified $\text{K}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ solution. KI solution was then added, and the time taken for the mixture to turn blue-black was measured.

The reaction was repeated using different volumes of KI, with the same volumes of starch, $\text{K}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ and $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$. Varying amounts of water was also added.

The following results were obtained.

Expt	Volume				Time, t / s	$\frac{1}{t} / \text{s}^{-1}$
	$\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-} / \text{cm}^3$	I^- / cm^3	H^+ / cm^3	water / cm^3		
1	10.00	20.00	10.00	5.0	15.4	0.0649
2	10.00	15.00	10.00	10.0	20.5	0.0488
3	10.00	10.00	10.00	15.0	30.8	0.0325

- (i) Explain why water was added to the reaction mixtures in each of the experiments.

[1]

It is to ensure that total volume is constant so that the volume of reactants is directly proportional to the concentration of reactants in the reaction mixture.

- (ii) Deduce the order of reaction with respect to I^- ions.

[2]

Comparing Experiments 1 & 3,

- When $[\text{I}^-]$ was doubled, while keeping $[\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}]$ and $[\text{H}^+]$ constant
- Time taken for blue-black colour appearance is halved (from 30.8 s to 15.4 s)
- Rate of reaction is doubled. Order of reaction w.r.t. I^- is 1

OR

Comparing Experiments 2 & 3,

- When $[\text{I}^-]$ was increased 1.5 times, while keeping $[\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}]$ and $[\text{H}^+]$ constant
- Time taken for blue-black colour appearance is decreased 1.5 times (from 30.8 s to 20.5 s)
- Rate of reaction is increased 1.5 times Order of reaction w.r.t. I^- is 1

- (iii) Predict what would happen if the reaction was carried out without the addition of $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ in the reaction mixture.

[1]

Reaction mixture would turn blue-black in colour immediately.

- (iv) Suggest a reason why the reaction between $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}$ and I^- ions is unlikely to proceed as an elementary reaction.

[1]

It is very unlikely that the 3 reactants (particles) can collide together with sufficient energy or energy $\geq E_a$ and with the correct orientation for the reaction to occur.

OR

It is very unlikely that the negatively charged reactant particles can collide together with sufficient energy or energy $\geq E_a$ and with the correct orientation for the reaction to occur.

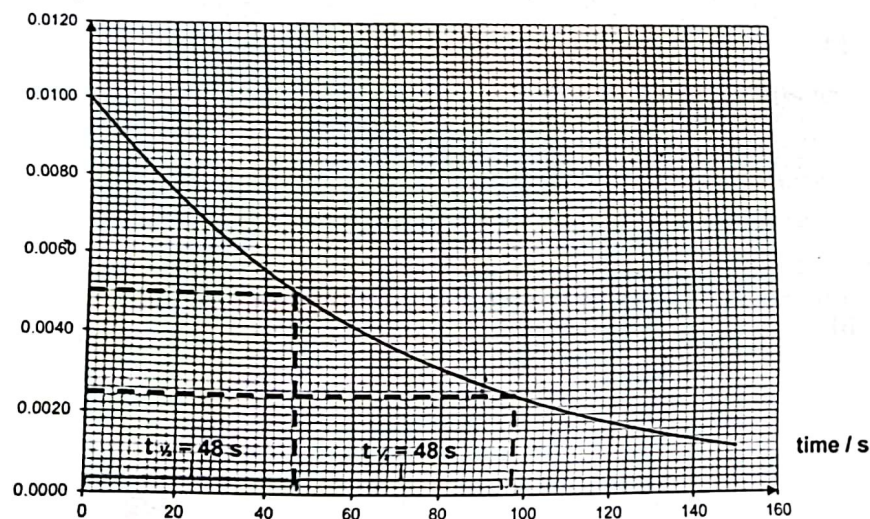
- (b) In another investigation, a 50 cm^3 solution of $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}$ was reacted with 50 cm^3 solution of acidified I^- , which is in large excess.

10 cm^3 portions of the reaction mixture were drawn at various time intervals and transferred into aqueous solution of sodium hydrogen carbonate, NaHCO_3 to quench the reaction.

The I_2 produced for each portion was then quantified by titrating the I_2 produced against $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$. The volume of $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$ required was recorded at various time intervals. The amount of $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$ used corresponds to the amount of I_2 produced. Correspondingly, the amount of $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}$ that has reacted can be determined.

The progress of the reaction can thus be monitored as a function of concentration of $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}$ remaining against time. The following results were obtained.

$[\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}] / \text{mol dm}^{-3}$



- (i) Deduce the order of reaction with respect to $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}$ ions. Show your working clearly on the graph.

[2]

From the graph, half-life is constant at 48 s. \therefore order of reaction w.r.t. $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-} = 1$

- ((ii) Calculate the rate constant of the reaction between $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}$ and I^- , given that $[\text{I}^-]$ is in large excess of $0.500 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$.

[1]

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{\ln 2}{k[\text{I}^-]} = 48 \text{ s}$$

$$k = \frac{\ln 2}{t_{1/2}[\text{I}^-]} = \frac{\ln 2}{48 \times 0.500} = 0.0289 \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ dm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ (3 s.f.)}$$

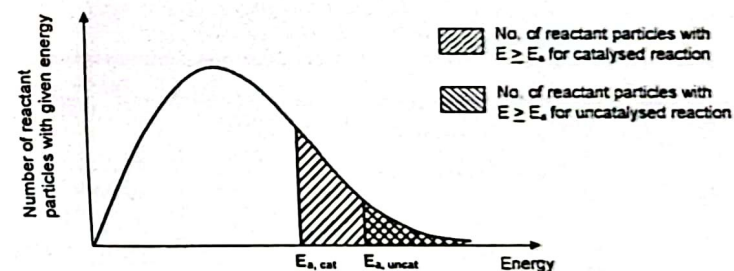
OR

Rate constant determined using actual rate computed from gradient at a point (initial or otherwise), with correct $[\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}]$ used. Accept between 0.0260 – 0.0320.

- (c) The rate of the reaction between $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}$ and I^- increases when a small amount of a transition metal ion such as Fe^{2+} is added.

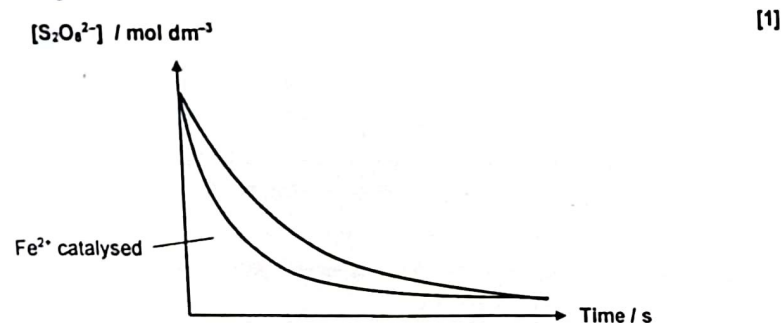
- (i) With the aid of a Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution curve, explain how the presence of such ions increase the rate of reaction.

[3]



- The ions acts as a catalyst to increase the rate of reaction by providing an alternative reaction pathway of lower activation energy.
- Number of reactant particles with $E \geq E_a$ increases.
- Frequency of effective collisions increases.
- Since rate of reaction is proportional to the frequency of effective collisions, rate of reaction increases.

- (ii) On the diagram below, sketch the profile of the graph to be expected for the reaction involving Fe^{2+} ions.



- (iii) By means of clear steps, briefly outline the experimental procedure (including any appropriate apparatus) whereby the experiment in (b) can be modified to investigate the effect of adding aqueous Fe^{2+} .

[You do not need to describe the titration procedure of the quenched iodine portions.]

You may assume that you are provided with the following:

- $0.0100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ potassium peroxydisulfate, $\text{K}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ solution
- $0.500 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ acidified potassium iodide, KI solution
- 1.00 mol dm^{-3} sodium hydrogen carbonate, NaHCO_3 solution
- $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ iron(II) nitrate, $\text{Fe}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ solution
- stopwatch
- apparatus normally found in a college laboratory

[4]

1. Measure out 50 cm^3 of $\text{K}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ solution using a 50 cm^3 measuring cylinder. Transfer into a clean, dry conical flask.
2. Using a 10 cm^3 measuring cylinder, measure out 5 cm^3 of $\text{Fe}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ solution into the conical flask containing $\text{K}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ solution.
3. Using another 10 cm^3 measuring cylinder, measure out 10 cm^3 of NaHCO_3 solution into 6 separate boiling tubes.
4. Measure out 50 cm^3 of acidified KI solution using a 50 cm^3 measuring cylinder. Transfer into the conical flask containing the $\text{K}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ solution and start the stopwatch.
5. Using a 10.0 cm^3 pipette, transfer 10 cm^3 of the reaction mixture into a boiling tube containing NaHCO_3 at time $t = 1 \text{ min}$ to stop the reaction.
6. Repeat Step 4 for other time intervals at 3 min, 5 min, 7 min, 9 min.

[Total: 16]

End of Section B

Section C: Free Response Questions (30 marks)

Answer ALL questions in this paper on foolscap paper.

Begin each question on a fresh page of writing paper.

You are advised to spend not more than 50 min on this section.

- 1 Crude oil, commonly known as petroleum, comprises mainly of hydrocarbons. Pentadecane, octane, 2,4-dimethylhexane and benzene are four examples of hydrocarbons that can be obtained from crude oil.

- (a) (i) The boiling points of octane and 2,4-dimethylhexane are given below.

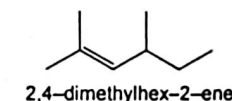
compound	molecular formula	structural formula	boiling point / °C
octane	C_8H_{18}		125
2,4-dimethylhexane	C_8H_{18}		108

Briefly explain why octane has a higher boiling point than 2,4-dimethylhexane.

[2]

- Octane has a straight chain while 2,4-dimethylhexane has a branched chain.
- Extent of surface area of contact : octane > 2,4-dimethylhexane
- Extent of distortion of the electron cloud : octane > 2,4-dimethylhexane
- Extent of intermolecular instantaneous dipole-induced dipole attraction : octane > 2,4-dimethylhexane
- Energy requirement : octane > 2,4-dimethylhexane
- Boiling point: octane > 2,4-dimethylhexane

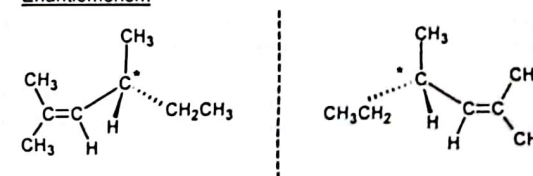
- (ii) 2,4-dimethylhex-2-ene can be reduced to form 2,4-dimethylhexane.



State the type of isomerism exhibited by 2,4-dimethylhex-2-ene. Draw the structures of the isomers.

[2]

Enantiomerism

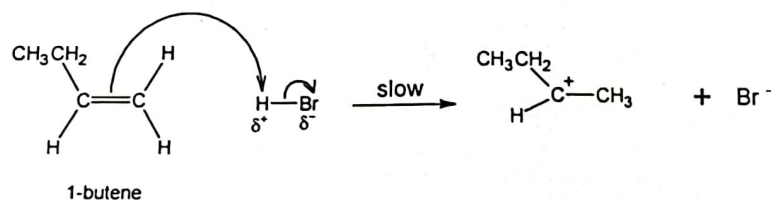


(b) Pentadecane, $C_{15}H_{32}$ can undergo cracking to produce propene, but-1-ene and octane.

- (i) Name and outline the mechanism of the reaction between but-1-ene and hydrogen bromide to obtain 2-bromobutane. The mechanism should show curly arrows, charges, dipoles and any relevant lone pairs.

[3]

Name of mechanism: Electrophilic Addition



- (ii) Explain why this reaction produces an equimolar mixture of two isomers of 2-bromobutane.

[1]

The Br^- nucleophile can attack the trigonal planar / sp^2 (hybridised C atom of the) carbocation from either the top or bottom of the plane with equal probability.

A racemic mixture is formed containing equal amounts of (+) and (-) enantiomers.

- (iii) Describe one simple test-tube reaction you could carry out to distinguish propene from octane.

[2]

Test:

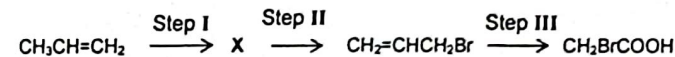
Add bromine dissolved in tetrachloromethane, at r.t.p in the dark to each compound.

Observations:

Propene decolourises reddish-brown bromine solution.

Octane does not decolourise of reddish-brown bromine solution or no colour change is observed

- (iv) Suggest the reagents and conditions required in steps I, II and III to carry out the following transformation. Identify the intermediate compound, X.



[2]

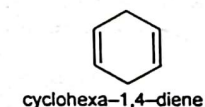
I: $Br_2(aq)$

II: Excess concentrated H_2SO_4 , $170^\circ C$ or $180^\circ C$
OR Al_2O_3 catalyst, $350^\circ C$
OR Excess concentrated H_3PO_4 , $250^\circ C$

III: hot acidified $KMnO_4$

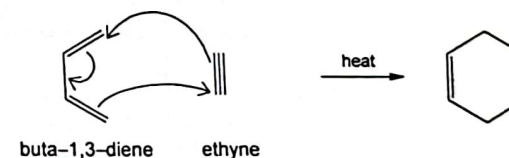
X: $CH_3CH(OH)CH_2Br$

- (c) Benzene undergoes reduction to form cyclohexa-1,4-diene.

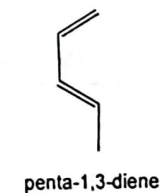


Cyclohexa-1,4-diene can also be formed by heating buta-1,3-diene with ethyne.

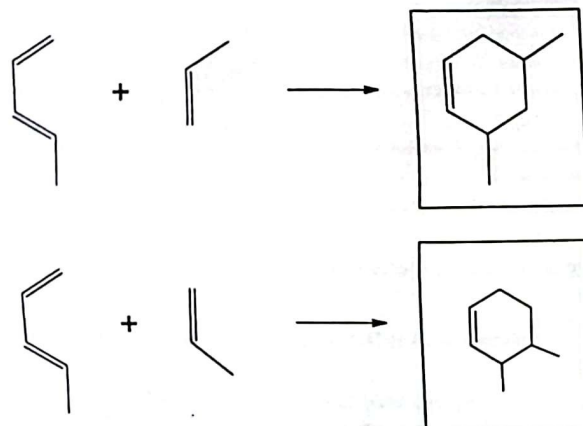
The diagram below shows the movement of electron pairs, represented by curly arrows, needed to generate the cyclohexa-1,4-diene in a single step.



In a similar type of reaction, penta-1,3-diene reacts with propene to form two products that are constitutional isomers.



Deduce the structures of these two isomers.



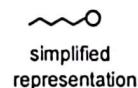
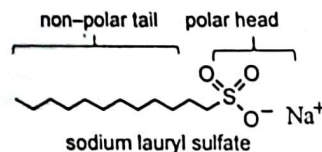
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- (d) Occasionally, seabirds can become contaminated with hydrocarbons from oil spills. The contaminated birds can be cleaned by rubbing vegetable oil into their feathers before their feathers are then lathered with diluted shampoo. The birds are then rinsed thoroughly with water to remove the shampoo and oil.



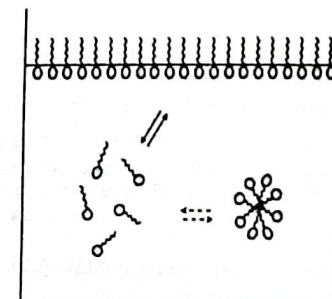
Photograph of a seabird affected by oil spills
Source: Bird Education Network Bulletin, Issue #32,
<http://www.birdeeducation.org/BENBulletin32.htm>
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The primary ingredient of a shampoo is a surfactant. A surfactant contains both a discrete polar head and a well-defined non-polar tail. A common surfactant used in shampoos is sodium lauryl sulfate.



When a surfactant is added to water, the molecules orientate themselves on the surface of water as shown in the diagram below. When even more surfactants are added, the surfactant molecules will group together in three-dimensional spherical clusters, with the non-polar tails

filling the interior of the cluster and the polar heads composing the outer surface. These molecular clusters are known as *micelles*.



Using your knowledge of chemical bonding and the above information on surfactant and micelles formation, comment on the actions taken to treat the affected birds.

- Rubbing vegetable oil into the birds' feathers
- Lathering the feathers with shampoo
- Rinsing the feathers with water

[2]

Hydrocarbon dissolves in vegetable oil since weak instantaneous dipole-induced dipole attractions between hydrocarbon molecules are compatible to the weak instantaneous dipole-induced dipole attractions between vegetable oil molecules.

Mechanical agitation during lathering causes hydrocarbon-oil to be surrounded by surfactant molecules.

The hydrocarbon-oil mixture are broken into small droplets so that relatively small micelles are formed since weak instantaneous dipole-induced dipole attractions between hydrocarbon / oil molecules are compatible to the weak instantaneous dipole-induced dipole attractions between the non-polar tails of the surfactants.

The charged surfaces of the micelles repels each other and prevent the hydrocarbon-oil droplets from coalescing / combining again.

The micelles are easily washed away due the formation of ion-dipole interaction between the polar heads of the micelles and water molecules.

[Total: 15]

- 2 Sulfur dioxide, SO_2 is a gas with a pungent, irritating smell. While there are many useful applications of sulfur dioxide, SO_2 is also a toxic atmospheric pollutant and is one of the key components in the formation of acid rain.

- (a) SO_2 was previously used as a refrigerant as it has a relatively high heat of vapourisation. At 293 K, a 24 dm³ refrigerant canister containing 1 mol of sulfur dioxide was found to exert an internal pressure of 0.992 atm instead of the theoretically expected 1.00 atm.

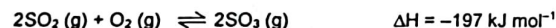
Using an assumption of kinetic theory, account for this discrepancy.

[2]

The observed value of 0.992 atm is based on the fact that sulfur dioxide is a real (non-ideal) gas. There are significant (intermolecular) permanent dipole-permanent dipole forces of attractions between molecules. There is less tendency for the molecules to hit the walls of the container OR the molecules exert a smaller amount of force on the walls of the container.

Hence the observed pressure is smaller than theoretically expected of 1.00 atm.

- (b) Sulfur dioxide is an important feedstock in the *Contact Process* to manufacture sulfuric acid industrially. One of the reactions in the *Contact Process* involves the reversible reaction between sulfur dioxide and oxygen.



In an experiment, a 3:1 ratio of SO_2 and O_2 was mixed at a total initial pressure of 3 atm and was passed over vanadium(V) oxide catalyst at 400 °C in a fixed volume vessel. At equilibrium, the percentage of SO_3 present in the mixture of gases is found to be 60 %.

- (i) Write an expression for the equilibrium constant, K_p , for this reaction.

[1]

$$K_p = \frac{(P_{\text{SO}_3})^2}{(P_{\text{SO}_2})^2 (P_{\text{O}_2})}$$

- (ii) Calculate the value of K_p at 400 °C, stating its units, clearly.

[3]

Since total initial pressure = 3 atm, and that SO_2 : O_2 is mixed in 3: 1 ratio;

Initial Partial pressure of SO_2 = 2.25 atm

Initial Partial pressure of O_2 = 0.750 atm

	2 $\text{SO}_2(\text{g})$	+ $\text{O}_2(\text{g})$	\rightleftharpoons	2 $\text{SO}_3(\text{g})$
Initial partial pressure / atm	2.25	0.750		0
Change in partial pressure / atm	- 2x	- x		+ 2x
Equilibrium partial pressure / atm	2.25 - 2x	0.750 - x		2x

Total pressure at equilibrium = 2.25 - 2x + 0.75 - x + 2x = (3 - x) atm

$$\% \text{SO}_3 \text{ present in the mixture of gases} = \frac{2x}{3-x} = \frac{60}{100} \rightarrow x = 0.6923 \text{ atm}$$

$$\text{Equilibrium partial pressure of } \text{SO}_2 = 2.25 - 2(0.6923) = 0.8654 \text{ atm}$$

$$\text{Equilibrium partial pressure of } \text{O}_2 = 0.75 - 0.6923 = 0.05769 \text{ atm}$$

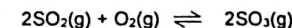
$$\text{Equilibrium partial pressure of } \text{SO}_3 = 2(0.6923) = 1.385 \text{ atm}$$

$$K_p = \frac{(P_{\text{SO}_3})^2}{(P_{\text{SO}_2})^2 (P_{\text{O}_2})} = \frac{(1.385)^2}{(0.8654)^2 (0.05769)}$$

$$K_p = 44.37 \text{ atm} = 44.4 \text{ atm}^{-1}$$

- (iii) How would the percentage conversion of SO_2 into SO_3 be affected when the pressure is increased? Explain your answer.

[2]



When pressure is increased, by *Le Chatelier's Principle*, the equilibrium position shifts right to reduce the number of moles of gas, hence decreasing pressure.

The equilibrium mixture contains more products, SO_3 and less reactants, SO_2 and O_2 . Thus, the percentage conversion of SO_2 into SO_3 will increase with an increase in pressure.

- (iv) Explain why a moderately high temperature of 400 °C was used as one of the operating conditions for this reaction.

[2]

By *Le Chatelier's Principle*, a low temperature will cause the equilibrium position to shift right towards the exothermic reaction to release heat, leading to an increase in yield.

However, too low a temperature would decrease the rate of reaction, making it not feasible industrially.

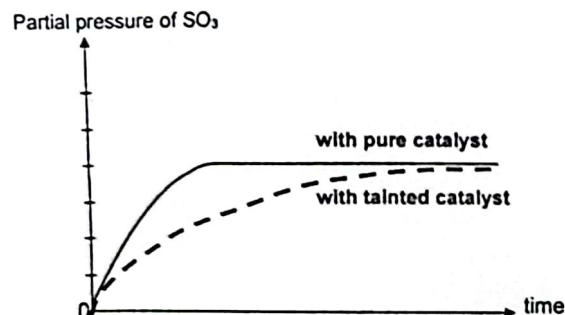
Hence a moderately high temperature of 400 °C is used. Thus, there is a compromise between the conflicting demands of (high) yield and (high) rate of reaction in the conditions. Accept others e.g. balance between yield and high.

- (v) In industrial processes such as the *Contact Process*, catalysts are often deactivated in the presence of impurities and loses its efficiency to catalyse the reactions.

The following graph shows how the partial pressure of sulfur trioxide present varies with time at 400°C when pure vanadium(V) oxide catalyst was used.

Transfer the graph below onto the writing paper. Using the same axes, sketch another graph for this experiment to show the variation of partial pressure of SO₃ with time at 400 °C, if the vanadium(V) oxide catalyst was tainted with impurities.

[1]



- (c) SO₂ and NO₂ are common atmospheric pollutants that are responsible for the formation of acid rain. While SO₂ can be oxidised atmospherically to form SO₃, there has been no reported formation of NO₃. Suggest an explanation for this observation.

[1]

For N to form NO₃, N would need to have 12 electrons around its valence shell.

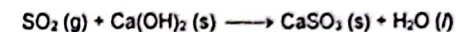
N is an element of Period 2, there are no vacant and energetically accessible (d) orbitals for N to expand the octet structure hence NO₃ cannot be formed.

OR

For N to form NO₃, N would need to have an oxidation state of +6. Nitrogen can have a lowest oxidation state of -3 and a highest oxidation state of +5. Hence NO₂ cannot be oxidised to form NO₃.

- (d) SO₂ is a reactive chemical species and undergoes different reactions with various compounds.

- (i) SO₂ can be removed from exhaust flue gases generated in fossil-fuel power plants by passing the flue gases through a slurry of calcium hydroxide, Ca(OH)₂. The reaction between SO₂ and Ca(OH)₂ is shown in the following chemical equation.



This reaction can be viewed as an oxide ion transfer from Ca(OH)₂ to SO₂. State the role of SO₂ in this reaction.

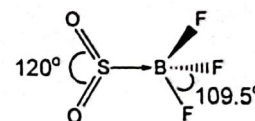
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SO₂ behaves as a Lewis acid OR electron pair acceptor.

Ca(OH)₂ behaves as a Lewis base. This reaction involves the Lewis base Ca(OH)₂ donating an electron pair (oxide ion, O²⁻) to the Lewis acid SO₂ to form the sulfite, SO₃²⁻ ion.

- (ii) Draw the structure of the adduct formed from the reaction of SO₂ and BF₃, showing clearly the type of bonding, shape and bond angles around the central boron and sulfur atoms.

[2]



[Total: 15]