

Trial Examination 2008

## VCE Chemistry Unit 2

Written Examination

### Suggested Solutions

#### SECTION A: MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS

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**Question 1**      **A**

$\text{NO}_2$  reacts with rain water to form  $\text{HNO}_3$ , a component of acid rain.  $\text{NO}_2$  is a brown gas.  $\text{NO}_2$  reactions in the presence of sunlight lead to the formation of ozone. Statements **B**, **C** and **D** are therefore correct. While  $\text{N}_2\text{O}$  is an infrared absorber that functions as a greenhouse gas,  $\text{NO}_2$  is not.

**Question 2**      **C**

$$pV = nRT \therefore V \propto \frac{T}{p}$$

$$\text{For A, } \frac{T}{p} = \frac{273}{1.1} = 248$$

$$\text{For B, } \frac{T}{p} = \frac{283}{3.5} = 81$$

$$\text{For C, } \frac{T}{p} = \frac{298}{4.1} = 73$$

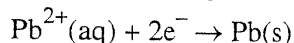
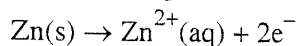
$$\text{For D, } \frac{T}{p} = \frac{308}{2.0} = 154$$

**Question 3**      **D**

All three gases are odourless and colourless (**A** and **B** are incorrect). A glowing splint will be extinguished by both nitrogen and carbon dioxide (**C** is incorrect). Carbon dioxide will form an acidic solution ( $\text{pH} < 7$ ). Nitrogen and oxygen produce neutral solutions (although both gases have low solubility in water).

**Question 4**      **B**

The relevant half equations are



Electrons travel from the zinc to the lead.  $\text{Pb}^{2+}$  ions move towards the Pb electrode where they deposit as Pb atoms.

**Question 5**      **A**

Minimising toxic chemical use and waste product formation are key green chemistry principles. Minimal waste is achieved with maximum atom efficiency, i.e. the incorporation of as many reactant atoms into the product as possible. The aim is for minimal energy use, not maximum (**A** is not a correct green chemistry principle).

**Question 6**      **B**

Ionisation is the formation of ions from non-ionic reactants, e.g.  $\text{NH}_3(\text{g}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) \rightarrow \text{NH}_4^+(\text{aq}) + \text{OH}^-(\text{aq})$ . In **A** and **D**, both the reactants and products are ionic. No ions are involved in **C**.

**Question 7** C

C contains the greatest mass of NaCl and so the greatest number of  $\text{Na}^+$  ions.

The relevant calculations are

- A.** 10 ppm means 10 mg in 1 L  
 $\therefore 10 \times 200$  mg in 200 L  
 $\therefore 10 \times 200 \times 10^{-3} = 2.0$  g of NaCl
- B.** 5.0% m/v means 5 g in 100 mL  
 $\therefore 5 \times \frac{30}{100}$  g in 30 mL  
 $\therefore 1.5$  g of NaCl
- C.**  $n(\text{NaCl}) = c \times V = 0.50 \times 0.250$  mol  
 $m(\text{NaCl}) = n \times M = 0.50 \times 0.250 \times 58.5$   
 $= 7.3$  g of NaCl
- D.**  $m(\text{NaCl}) = n \times M = 0.035 \times 58.5$   
 $= 2.0$  g of NaCl

**Question 8** A

Boyle's Law  $p \propto \frac{1}{V}$  at constant  $T$  and  $n$ .

**Question 9** C

pH is a logarithmic scale. A change of one pH unit represents a 10-fold change in  $[\text{H}^+]$ . A change of two pH units is therefore a 100-fold change in  $[\text{H}^+]$ .

**Question 10** D

$\text{O}_3$  is an ultraviolet light absorber, not an infrared absorber. The ozone layer is important in reducing UV radiation reaching the Earth's surface. **D** is an incorrect statement, and is therefore the required response. **A**, **B** and **C** are true.

**Question 11** B

Z is the least reactive as it does not even react with acid. X is the most reactive as it reacts spontaneously with cold water. The order of reactivity is  $X > W > Y > Z$ .

**Question 12** A

Spontaneous redox reactions occur between a metal and the ions of less reactive metals. Thus X will react with the ions of W, Y and Z. Z will not react with the ions of X, W or Y. Y will not react with the ions of X or W.

**Question 13** D

$$n(\text{NaOH}) = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{10.0}{40.0} = 0.250 \text{ mol}$$

$$[\text{NaOH}] = \frac{n}{V} = \frac{0.250}{0.2500} = 1.0 \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = [\text{NaOH}] = 1.0 = 10^0 \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \frac{10^{-14}}{[\text{OH}^-]} = \frac{10^{-14}}{10^0} = 10^{-14}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = -\log(10^{-14}) = 14$$

**Question 14**     **D**

$pV = nRT$ . For the two gases,  $\text{SO}_2$  and  $\text{SO}_3$ , if  $p$ ,  $V$  and  $T$  are all equal, then the two gases must contain the same number of mole,  $n$ . If  $n(\text{SO}_2) = n(\text{SO}_3)$ , then the number of molecules must be the same. Masses and percentage mass of sulfur will differ due to differing molar masses. Number of oxygen atoms will differ due to different S : O ratios.

**Question 15**     **A**

At  $80^\circ\text{C}$ , solubility is 170 g per 100 g.

At  $40^\circ\text{C}$ , solubility is 60 g per 100 g.

$\therefore 170 - 60 = 110$  g per 100 g will crystallise

$\therefore 55$  g per 50 g (50 mL) will crystallise.

**Question 16**     **C**

At  $60^\circ\text{C}$ , solubility is 160 g per 100 g of water.

$\therefore \left(\frac{40}{100} \times 160\right)$  g per 40 g of water

$\therefore 64$  g per 40 g of water.

We have 10 g in 40 g of water.

We need to add 54 g to saturate the solution.

**Question 17**     **C**

$$\frac{p_1 V_1}{T_1} = \frac{p_2 V_2}{T_2}$$

$$\frac{700 \times 58}{(273 + 13)} = \frac{p_2 \times 33}{(273 + 100)}$$

$$p_2 = 1604 \text{ mmHg} = 214 \text{ kPa}$$

**Question 18**     **B**

The stronger acid in each pair will be the better conductor because it will be more extensively ionised.  $\text{HCl}$ ,  $\text{HNO}_3$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  are all strong acids.  $\text{HOOH}$  is a weak acid.  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is a very weak acid.

**Question 19**     **B**

The speed of the molecules relates to their kinetic energy, which in turn is related to the gas temperature. At constant temperature, the curves for the same gas will be the same, irrespective of the volume or pressure (**A** and **C** are incorrect). Differing amounts of the same gas at the same temperature will produce the same shaped curves, but with different areas under the curve (**D** is incorrect).

**Question 20**     **D**

Process W would represent atmospheric fixation of nitrogen (**A** is correct). Process X represents denitrification (**B** is correct). Process Y could occur through fertiliser production (**C** is correct). Process Z is the action of nitrifying bacteria. Nitrogen fixing bacteria convert atmospheric  $\text{N}_2$  to soil  $\text{NO}_3^-$ ; therefore **D** is incorrect and is the required response.

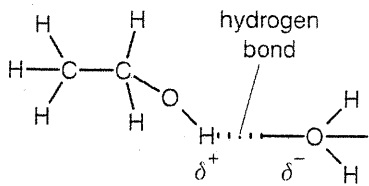
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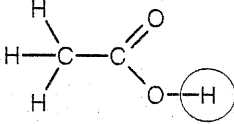
## Question 1

- a. i.  $2\text{C}_8\text{H}_{18}(\text{l}) + 17\text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 16\text{CO}(\text{g}) + 18\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g})$  1 mark
- ii. Conduct the combustion in a plentiful supply of oxygen. 1 mark
- b. i. *For example:*
- $\text{CO}_2$  is the greenhouse gas present in the highest concentration.
  - $\text{CO}_2$  concentrations have shown large increases due to human activities (fossil fuel burning).
- 1 mark
- ii. *For example:*
- $\text{CH}_4$  is a more efficient infrared absorber than  $\text{CO}_2$ .
  - $\text{CH}_4$  is produced naturally by animals (cows etc.). Agricultural practices may lead to changes in  $\text{CH}_4$  concentrations.
- 1 mark
- iii.  $6\text{CO}_2(\text{g}) + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) \xrightarrow[\text{UV}]{\text{chlorophyll}} \text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6(\text{aq}) + 6\text{O}_2(\text{g})$  1 mark
- c. i. Cool the gas mixture to below  $100^\circ\text{C}$  and the water will condense to form a liquid.  
**OR**  
Bubble the gas mixture through a desiccant such as  $\text{CaCl}_2$ . 1 mark
- ii. Bubble the gas mixture through  $\text{NaOH}$  solution. The  $\text{CO}_2$  will react and be separated from the nitrogen. 1 mark

Total 7 marks

## Question 2

- a.  2 marks
- b. i. 4.50% v/v means 4.50 mL of ethanol in 100 mL of beer.  
 $\therefore 4.50 \times \frac{375}{100}$  of ethanol in 375 mL of beer  
 $\therefore 16.9 \text{ mL}$  1 mark
- ii. 4.50 mL in 100 mL of beer  
 $\therefore 45.0 \text{ mL in } 1000 \text{ mL of beer}$   
 $\therefore (45.0 \times 0.785) \text{ g per } 1000 \text{ mL of beer (mass = density} \times \text{volume)}$  1 mark  
 $\therefore \frac{45.0 \times 0.785}{46.0} \text{ mol per } 1000 \text{ mL of beer}$  1 mark  
 $\therefore 0.768 \text{ M}$  1 mark

- c. i. One of the following points:
- Oxygen is added to the compound.
  - Hydrogen is removed from the compound.
  - The oxidation number of carbon increases from  $-2$  to  $0$ . 1 mark
- ii.
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- 1 mark
- d. i. 7.0  
*No ionisation has occurred and the solution remains neutral.* 1 mark
- ii. The globe glows less brightly than for solution A.  
*C has a weaker acid, and hence a lower conductivity is expected.* 1 mark
- iii. ethanol (*non-acidic*) 1 mark
- iv. methanoic acid (*A is a stronger acid than C as the pH is lower*) 1 mark
- Total 12 marks

### Question 3

- a. i.  $2\text{HCl}(\text{aq}) + \text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2(\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{MgCl}_2(\text{aq}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$  1 mark
- ii.  $\text{HCl}(\text{aq}) + \text{NaHCO}_3(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{NaCl}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) + \text{CO}_2(\text{g})$  1 mark
- b.  $n(\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2) = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{0.50}{58.3} \text{ mol}$  1 mark
- $n(\text{HCl}) = 2 \times n(\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2) = \frac{2 \times 0.50}{58.3} = 0.017 \text{ mol}$  1 mark
- $n(\text{NaHCO}_3) = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{0.50}{84.0} \text{ mol}$
- $n(\text{HCl}) = n(\text{NaHCO}_3) = \frac{0.50}{84.0} = 0.0060 \text{ mol}$  1 mark
- $\therefore \text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$  neutralises the greater amount of HCl. 1 mark
- c.  $n(\text{NaHCO}_3) = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{0.50}{84.0} \text{ mol}$
- $n(\text{CO}_2) = n(\text{NaHCO}_3)$  1 mark
- $V(\text{CO}_2) = \frac{nRT}{p} = \frac{0.50 \times 8.31 \times 310}{84.0 \times 1.0 \times 101.3} = 0.15 \text{ L}$  1 mark
- Total 8 marks

### Question 4

- a. i.  $\text{Sn}(\text{s}) + \text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{Sn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + \text{Cu}(\text{s})$   
*Sn is the stronger reductant present. It will be oxidised at the anode.* 1 mark
- ii. Cu (*reduction occurs at the cathode*) 1 mark
- iii. Cu (*electrons flow towards the Cu electrode*) 1 mark
- iv. towards the Sn  
*The anions balance the positive charge formed in the Sn half cell due to the production of  $\text{Sn}^{2+}$  ions.* 1 mark
- b. NaOH would react with both the  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Sn}^{2+}$  ions, disrupting cell function. 1 mark
- Total 5 marks

## Question 5

- a. i. Water has a different boiling point than the other components of the aqueous solution. 1 mark
- ii. Cost. The energy needed to heat the water is expensive. 1 mark
- iii. At reduced pressures, the boiling point of water is lowered. 1 mark  
Less energy is needed to heat the water, making the process more economical. 1 mark
- b. i.  $\text{Al}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + 3\text{OH}^{-}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{Al}(\text{OH})_3(\text{s})$  1 mark
- ii. sand and gravel filters 1 mark
- iii. addition of  $\text{Cl}_2$  1 mark
- Total 7 marks

## Question 6

- a. i.  $2\text{e}^{-} + \text{I}_2(\text{aq}) \rightarrow 2\text{I}^{-}(\text{aq})$  1 mark
- ii. reductant 1 mark  
The  $\text{I}_2$  is being reduced. The ascorbic acid is therefore behaving as a reductant. 1 mark
- b. i.  $n(\text{C}_6\text{H}_8\text{O}_6) = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{500 \times 10^{-3}}{176} = 2.84 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$  1 mark
- ii.  $n(\text{C}_6\text{H}_8\text{O}_6) = 2.84 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 $n(\text{I}_2) = n(\text{C}_6\text{H}_8\text{O}_6)$  1 mark  
 $c(\text{I}_2) = \frac{n}{V} = \frac{2.84 \times 10^{-3}}{24.55 \times 10^{-3}} = 0.116 \text{ M}$  1 mark
- Total 6 marks

## Question 7

- a. i. 24.5 L (*conditions are SLC*)  
or  
 $V = \frac{nRT}{p} = \frac{1.00 \times 8.31 \times 298}{101.325} = 24.5 \text{ L}$  1 mark
- ii. 1.22 g in 1 L  
 $\therefore \text{M g in } 24.5 \text{ L}$   
 $\therefore \text{M} = 29.9 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$  1 mark
- iii. ethane  
For an alkane  $\text{C}_n\text{H}_{2n+2}$ ,  $\text{M}(\text{C}_n\text{H}_{2n+2}) = 12n + 2n + 2 = 14n + 2$ ,  
 $14n + 2 = 30 \therefore n = 2, \therefore \text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  1 mark
- b. i. unchanged (*mass and volume are constant, hence density is constant*) 1 mark
- ii. decreases  
For constant pressure the volume must increase when the gas is heated.  
Increased volume will mean a decreased density. 1 mark
- Total 5 marks