# **Suggested Answers**

# **VCE Chemistry 2009 Year 12 Trial Exam Unit 4**

# **Multiple Choice Answers - Section A**

# **Question 1**

- **C.** The graph shows that the quantity on the vertical axis increases with time, but the rate of increase – as represented by the gradient of the curve – decreases with time. Since HCl(aq) is a strong acid, the reaction may be represented by the ionic equation  $Zn(s) + 2H^+(aq) \rightarrow Zn^{2+}(aq) + H_2(g); \Delta H = -154 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ Consider the alternatives:
	- A. As the reaction proceeds, the number of collisions per second between the reactant particles will decrease as the  $[H^+]$  decreases.
- B. The rate of reaction decreases with time as the  $[H^+]$  decreases.
	- **C.** Since the reaction is **exothermic** the **temperature of the solution will increase**, rapidly initially and then more slowly as the rate of reaction decreases.
- D. Number of ions decreases with time as  $H^+$  ions are converted into  $H_2$  molecules.

## **Question 2**

**D.** According to oxidation numbers, **Zn is oxidised** (from 0 in Zn to +2 in Zn(OH)<sub>2</sub> and **O** is reduced (from 0 in  $O_2$  to -2 in  $Zn(OH)_2$ ). Since oxidation occurs at the negative electrode when a galvanic cell is converting chemical energy to electrical energy, then **Zn** must be the **negative electrode.**  The half-equations can be deduced from the electrochemical series Anode (-)  $Zn(s) \rightarrow Zn^{2+}(aq) + 2e^{-}$  oxidation **Cathode** (+)  $O_2(g)$  +  $2H_2O(aq)$  + 4e  $\rightarrow$  4OH (aq) reduction Multiply the oxidation half-equation by 2 and add the reduction half-equation to get the overall equation  $2Zn(s) + O_2(g) + 2H_2O(l) \rightarrow Zn^{2+}(aq) + 2OH(aq) \rightarrow Zn(OH)_2(s)$ 

# **Question 3**

**D.** The rate of a chemical reaction is determined by the **proportion of reactant molecule collisions that have energy greater than the activation energy for the reaction**. This proportion is reflected, on a kinetic energy distribution curve, as the **area under the curve to the right of the activation energy**. This area is **greatest for reaction 4**, hence this reaction should occur at the fastest rate.

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A. 2C_8H_{18}(l) + 25O_2(g) \rightarrow 16CO_2(g) + 18H_2O(l)C_2H_6O(1) + 3O_2(g) \rightarrow 2CO_2(g) + 3H_2O(1)Energy released = 2000 \text{ kJ} According to the Data Book 
        \Delta H_c(C_8H_{18}) = -5464 \text{ kJ} \text{ mol}^{-1}; \Delta H_c(C_2H_6O) = -1364 \text{ kJ} \text{ mol}^{-1}n(C_8H_{18}) reacting = 2000 kJ / 5464 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>
                             = 0.3660 mol
        n(CO<sub>2</sub>) produced from C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>18</sub> = (16/2) x n(C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>18</sub>)
                                             = 8 \times 0.3660 = 2.928 mol
        n(C_2H_6O) reacting = 2000 kJ / 1364 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>
                               = 1.466 mol
        n(CO_2) produced from C_2H_6O = 2 \times n(C_8H_{18})= 2 \times 1.466 = 2.933 mol 
Ratio n(CO_2) produced from C_8H_{18}: n(CO_2) produced from C_2H_6O = 2.928: 2.933
                                                                              = 2.928/2.933 : 1= 1 : 1
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#### **Question 5**

**B.** The energy profile for  $CH_4(g) + 2O_2(g) \rightarrow CO_2(g) + 2H_2O(g)$  can be adjusted to give the energy profile for  $\frac{1}{2}CH_4(g) + O_2(g) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}CO_2(g) + H_2O(g)$ , by halving all the values on the original energy profile, and the Δ*H* value, since all the mole ratios are exactly half those in the original equation.



From the energy profile for  $\frac{1}{2}CH_4(g) + O_2(g) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}CO_2(g) + H_2O(g)$ , the activation energy for  $\frac{1}{2}CO_2(g) + H_2O(g) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}CH_4(g) + O_2(g)$ , i.e. the reverse reaction is  $1690 - (-445) = 2135$  kJ

Alternatively:

From the energy profile for  $CH_4(g) + 2O_2(g) \rightarrow CO_2(g) + 2H_2O(g)$ the activation energy for the reaction  $CO_2(g) + 2H_2O(g) \rightarrow CH_4(g) + 2O_2(g)$  is  $3380 - (-890) = 4270 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ . Hence the activation energy for the reaction  $\frac{1}{2}CH_4(g) + O_2(g) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}CO_2(g) + H_2O(g)$ is  $4270 / 2 = 2135$  kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>.

## **Question 6**

**C.** In a galvanic cell electrons move spontaneously from the anode (-) to the cathode (+). So the electrode signs indicate that oxidation is occurring in the  $Fe^{2+}/Fe$  half-cell i.e.  $Fe(s) \rightarrow Fe^{2+}(aq) + e^{-}$ .

Since electrons leave the site of oxidation and go to the site of reduction, the left-hand half-cell must contain an oxidant which is 1.21 V higher up on the electrochemical series than the reductant Fe(s).

Scanning the electrochemical series and looking for a difference of 1.21 V indicates that the oxidant must be  $Fe^{3+}(aq)$ , according to

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\begin{aligned}\n\text{Fe}^{3+}(aq) + e^- &\rightarrow \text{Fe}^{2+}(aq) & 0.77 \text{ V} \\
\text{Fe}^{2+}(aq) + 2e^- &\rightarrow \text{Fe(s)} & -0.44 \text{ V} \\
E(\text{cell}) &= 0.77 - (-0.44) \\
&= 1.21 \text{ V} \\
\text{Reaction occurring in the half-cell 1 is} \\
\text{Fe}^{3+}(aq) + e^- &\rightarrow \text{Fe}^{2+}(aq). \\
\text{Since all the species in the half-equation are ions, a platinum electrode is used in the half-cell.} \\
\text{Alternatively:} \\
\text{Since } E(\text{cell}) = E^{\circ}(\text{oxidant half-cell}) - E^{\circ}(\text{reductant half-cell}) \\
&1.21 \text{ V} = E^{\circ}(\text{oxidant}) - E^{\circ}(\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq})/\text{Fe(s)}) \\
&= E^{\circ}(\text{oxidant}) - (-0.44 \text{ V}) \\
&= E^{\circ}(\text{oxidant}) + 0.44 \text{ V} \\
\text{Hence } E^{\circ}(\text{oxidant}) = 1.21 - 0.44 \\
&= 0.77 \text{ V} \\
\text{Rence } E^{\circ}(\text{oxidant}) = 1.71 \text{ V} \\
\text{Rence } E^{\circ}(\text{d} \text{C}) = 0.77 \text{ V} \\
\text{Rence } E^{\circ}(\text{C} \text{C}) = 0.77 \text{ V} \\
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\text{Cone to the right-hand (i.e., } E^{\circ}(\text{c}) = 0.77 \text{ V} \\
\text{Cone to the right (i.e., } E^{\circ}(\text{c}) = 0.77 \text{ V} \\
\text{Cone to the right (ii) } E^{\circ}(\text{c) } \text{Cone} \\
&= 0.77 \text{ V} \\
\text{Cone to the right (ii) } E^{\circ}(\text{c) } \text{Cone} \\
\text{Cone to the right (iii) } E^{\circ}(\text{c) } \text{Cone} \\
\text{Cone to the right (iv) } \text{Cone} \\
\text{Cone to the right (v) }
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From the electrochemical series  $\mathbf{Fe}^{3+}(\mathbf{aq}) + \mathbf{e}^- \rightarrow \mathbf{Fe}^{2+}(\mathbf{aq}); \mathbf{E}^{\circ} = +0.77 \text{ V}$ 

#### **Question 7**

**C.** To decide whether the system is or is not at equilibrium, it is necessary to calculate the value of the reaction quotient (Q) and compare it with the equilibrium constant.  $Q = [NO]^2 / \{ [N_2] \times [O_2] \}$ 

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= (4.2 \times 10^{-3})^2 / {0.50 \times 0.25}
$$
  
= 1.4 \times 10^{-4}

 $Q(1.4x10^{-4})$  is less than  $K_c(1.7x10^{-3})$  so, for the system to get to equilibrium, Q **must increase until its value is the same as the equilibrium constant.** 

 Since Q is effectively the ratio of product concentrations to reactant concentrations, the reaction must proceed in the forward direction to give more products and less reactants. In order for the reaction to move to the right, the **rate of the forward reaction must be greater than the rate of the reverse reaction**.

Irrespective of the reaction direction, or if the system is at equilibrium, the pressure in the container will remain the same because the total number of particles present does not change.

**D.** Calibration Factor = Energy added during heating  $/\Delta T_c$  $= VIt / \Delta T_c$  $= 6.00 \times 1.40 \times 54.5 / 0.390$  $= 457.8 / 0.390$  $= 1174$  J °C<sup>-1</sup> Energy released by hydrocarbon  $= CF \times \Delta T_r$  $= 1174 \times (22.17 - 21.45)$  $= 1174$  J °C<sup>-1</sup>× 0.72 °C  $= 845$  J Energy per mol hydrocarbon = 845 J /  $9.50 \times 10^{-4}$  mol<br>=  $8.90 \times 10^{5}$  J  $= 8.90x10^{2}$  kJ = **890 kJ** 

So the hydrocarbon has a molar enthalpy  $(\Delta H_c)$  of combustion of **-890 kJ mol**<sup>-1</sup>. According to Table 13 in the Data Book.  $\Delta H_c$ (methane) = -889 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>

## **Question 9**

- **A.** The supplied data show clearly that the '**yield of product**' **increases**
	- as the **temperature decreases**

– as the **pressure increases**

If the yield is increasing as the temperature is decreasing, the **forward reaction** is favoured by low temperature, i.e. is **exothermic.**

If the yield is increasing as the pressure increases, then since the equilibrium system responds to a pressure increase, by striving to counteract the pressure increase by moving to decrease the pressure, the position of equilibrium is pushed to the **side with fewer particles**, so the **product** must be on that side.

# **Question 10**

**D.** Fluorine is produced by the electrolysis of salts containing the fluoride ions. However according to the electrochemical series, particularly

 $F_2(g) + 2e^- \rightarrow 2F^-(aq)$  $+2.87$  V  $O_2(g) + 4H^+(aq) + 4e^- \rightarrow 2H_2O(l)$  +1.23 V

> aqueous solutions of fluoride salts cannot be used because **H2O(l) is a stronger reductant than F- (aq) and would be preferentially oxidised**.

 Fluorine is produced by the electrolysis of molten salts such as KF(l), for which the electrode half-equations are

(+) oxidation:  $2F(1) \rightarrow F_2(g) + 2e^{-}$ 

(-) reduction: 
$$
K^+(l) + e^- \rightarrow K(l)
$$

**A.** The addition of the 20 mL of 0.10 M  $NH<sub>3</sub>(aq)$  to 50 mL of water pushes the equilibrium

$$
NH_3(aq) + H_2O(l) \rightleftharpoons NH_4^+(aq) + OH^-(aq)
$$

to the right.

 This is consistent with Le Chatelier's principle – the system moves to compensate for the extra reactant,  $H_2O$ , by favouring the forward reaction until equilibrium is again reached.

So the **number of NH**<sup> $+$ </sup> ions increases and the number of OH ions (the link to pH) also increases.

 However since the total volume has increased, the **increase in** *n***(OH- ) will not be enough to compensate for the volume increase**. The **[OH- ]** will be **lower** at the new equilibrium and consequently the **pH** will be **lower.** 

## **Question 12**

**C.** Given  $H_2(g) + \frac{1}{2}O_2(g) \rightarrow H_2O(1)$ ;  $\Delta H = -286 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ you can deduce that for  $2H_2(g) + O_2(g) \rightarrow 2H_2O(1);$   $\Delta H = 2 \text{ x -}286 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$  $= -572$  kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>

> However the equation for which the Δ*H* is required is  $2H_2(g) + O_2(g) \rightarrow 2H_2O(g)$

The **formation of H<sub>2</sub>O(g)** from H<sub>2</sub>(g) and O<sub>2</sub>(g) **releases less energy per mole than the formation of**  $H_2O(1)$ . This is consistent with the fact that we add energy to boil water, i.e. the reaction  $H_2O(1) \rightarrow H_2O(g)$  is endothermic, and hence  $H_2O(g) \rightarrow H_2O(1)$ is exothermic.

So for  $2H_2(g) + O_2(g) \rightarrow 2H_2O(g)$ ;  $\Delta H = -484 \text{ kJ} \text{ mol}^{-1}$  is more accurate. It is also consistent with  $H_2O(g) \rightarrow H_2O(1)$ ;  $\Delta H = -44$  kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> Consider:  $2H_2(g) + O_2(g) \rightarrow 2H_2O(l);$   $\Delta H = -572 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ <br> $2H_2O(l) \rightarrow 2H_2O(g);$   $\Delta H = +88 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$  $2H_2O(1) \rightarrow 2H_2O(g)$ ; Hence  $2H_2(g) + O_2(g) \rightarrow 2H_2O(g); \Delta H = -484 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ 

**B**. Consider the variations that occur in the equilibrium law expression as the equation stoichiometry is changed.

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2SO_{2}(g) + O_{2}(g) \rightleftharpoons 2SO_{3}(g);
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K_{1} = [SO_{3}]^{2} / \{[SO_{2}]^{2}[O_{2}]\}
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= 0.11
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2SO_{3}(g) \rightleftharpoons 2SO_{2}(g) + O_{2}(g) - original equation is reversed
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K_{2} = \{[SO_{2}]^{2}[O_{2}]\} / [NO_{2}]^{2}
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= 1 / ([SO_{3}]^{2} / \{[SO_{2}]^{2}[O_{2}]\})
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= 1 / K_{1}
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= 1 / 0.11
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= 9.09
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SO_{3}(g) \rightleftharpoons SO_{2}(g) + \frac{1}{2}O_{2}(g) - original equation reversed and stoichiometry is halved
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K_{3} = \{[SO_{2}][O_{2}]^{1/2}\} / [SO_{3}]
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= (\{[SO_{2}]^{2}[O_{2}]\} / [SO_{3}]^{2})^{1/2}
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= K_{2}^{1/2}
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= \sqrt{k_{2}}
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= \sqrt{9.09}
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= 3.0
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#### **Question 14**

**A.** The relevant half-equations from the electrochemical series are



Because electroplating is electrolysis, oxidation occurs at the (+) electrode and reduction occurs at the (-) electrode.

On the basis of the reaction between the strongest oxidant and strongest reductant principle (and the clue of  $Cu^{2+}(aq)$  ions released at the  $(+)$  electrode and consumed at the (-) electrode), the reactions occurring in the normal copper-plating cell are Anode  $(+)$ : Cu(s)  $\rightarrow$  Cu<sup>2+</sup>(ag) + 2e<sup>-</sup>

Cathode (-):  $Cu^{2+}(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow Cu(s)$ 

If the copper anode, i.e. the (+) electrode, is replaced with a carbon electrode, the only reductant present at the carbon anode will be  $H_2O$ .

So instead of Cu being oxidised at the  $(+)$  electrode,  $H_2O$  will be oxidised according to

 $2H_2O(1) \rightarrow O_2(g) + 4H^+(aq) + 4e^{-}$ 

Thus bubbles of oxygen gas will be produced at the (+) electrode. Also, because of the increase in [H+ ] in the solution, the **pH** will **decrease**.

Cu(s) would still be produced at the  $(-)$  electrode until the  $c(Cu^{2+})$  has dropped to an unworkable level.

**D.** Hypochlorous acid, HOCl(aq), is listed in Table 12 of the Data Book as a weak acid with  $K_a = 2.9 \times 10^{-8}$ . It ionises in aqueous solution according to the equilibrium  $HOCI(aq) + H<sub>2</sub>O(l) \rightleftharpoons H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>(aq) + ClO<sup>-</sup>(aq)$ For which  $K_a = [H_3O^+]_e [ClO^-]_e / [HOC!]_e$ Since 20 mL of 0.050 M HOCl(aq) is added to 40 mL of water, we need to determine the initial concentration of the diluted solution *n*(HOCl) in 20 mL 0.050 M =  $cV$  $= 0.050 \times 20 \times 10^{-3}$  $= 1.0x10^{-3}$  mol  $c(HOCI)$  in 60 mL solution =  $n(HOCI) / V$  $= 1.0x10^{-3} / 60x10^{-3}$  $= 0.0167$  mol L<sup>-1</sup> Assumptions for a weak acid 1. Limited ionisation of HOCl, so that  $[HOCI]_e = [HOCI]_{initially}$  $= 0.0167$  M 2.  $[H_3O^+]_e = [ClO^-]_e$ Since  $K_a = 2.9x10^{-8}$  $2.9 \times 10^{-8} = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]_e [\text{ClO}^-]_e / [\text{HOC}^-]_e$  $= [H_3O^+]^2 / 0.0167$  $0.0167 \times 2.9 \times 10^{-8} = [H_3O^+]^2$  $[H_3O^{\dagger}]^2 = 4.84 \times 10^{-10}$  $[H_3O^+] = \sqrt{(4.84 \times 10^{-10})}$  $= 2.20x10^{-5}$  $pH = -log_{10}[H_3O^+]$  $= -\log_{10}(2.20 \times 10^{-5})$  $= -(-4.7)$  $= 4.7$ 

# **Question 16**

**A.** The electrode signs for the discharging reactions in each cell which convert chemical energy to electrical energy are

 $(-)$  - anode Pb(s) + SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>(aq)  $\rightarrow$  PbSO<sub>4</sub>(s) + 2e<sup>-</sup>  $(+)$  - cathode  $PbO_2(s) + SO_4^2$  (aq) + 4H<sup>+</sup>(aq) + 2e<sup>-</sup>  $\rightarrow PbSO_4(s) + 2H_2O(l)$  So the reactions occurring at these electrodes during the recharging reactions in each cell are

 $(-)$  - cathode PbSO<sub>4</sub>(s) + 2e<sup>-</sup> $\rightarrow$  Pb(s) + SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2</sup><sup>-</sup>(aq)

(+) - anode PbSO<sub>4</sub>(s) + 2H<sub>2</sub>O(l)  $\rightarrow$  PbO<sub>2</sub>(s) + SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2</sup>(aq) + 4H<sup>+</sup>(aq) + 2e<sup>-</sup> Checking the various alternatives

#### **A. Pb is produced at the (-) electrode**

- B. pH will decrease as  $H^+$  ions are produced at  $(+)$  electrode
- $C.$  PbSO<sub>4</sub> is consumed
- D. Oxidation numbers of Pb change from  $+2$  to  $+4$  at the anode, and  $+2$  to 0 at the cathode

**B.** Changes that will increase the yield of  $SO_2Cl_2$  by pushing the position of equilibrium to the right and are consistent with Le Chatelier's principle include:

- **decreasing the temperature**, since the forward reaction is exothermic
- **increasing the pressure / decreasing the volume**, since the system moves to produce fewer particles in the larger volume
- **increasing reactant concentration by adding a reactant**
- **decreasing product concentration by removing a product**

However whilst a **catalyst** speeds up the rate of both the forward and reverse reactions, by lowering their respective activation energies, it has **no effect on the position of equilibrium**, hence no effect on the yield of  $SO_2Cl_2$ .

#### **Question 18**

**C** The relevant half-equations, from the electrochemical series are

 $O_2(g) + 4H^+(aq) + 4e^ \rightarrow$   $2H_2O(l)$  1.23 V  $Cu^{2+}(aq) + 2e^ \rightarrow$   $Cu(s)$  0.34 V  $2H_2O(1) + 2e^ \rightarrow$   $H_2(g) + 2OH$ <sup>-</sup>(aq) -0.83 V  $n$ (Cu<sup>2+</sup>) in cell before electrolysis = *c* x *V*  $= 0.10 \times 200 \times 10^{-3}$  $= 0.020$  mol  $n(e<sup>3</sup>)$  passed through the cell =  $Q/F$  $= 9650 / 96500$  $= 0.1000$  mol Strongest oxidant present in the cell is  $Cu^{2+}(aq)$ , and the strongest reductant present is  $H<sub>2</sub>O(1)$ . So the reactions at the electrodes would be **Anode (+)** reaction:  $2H_2O(1) \rightarrow O_2(g) + 4H^+(aq) + 4e^-.$  $n(O_2)$  produced =  $n(e^r)/4$  = **0.025 mol Cathode** (-) reaction:  $Cu^{2+}(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow Cu(s)$  $n$ (Cu) produced =  $n$ (Cu<sup>2+</sup>)  $= 0.020$  mol  $n(e^{-})$  $n(e<sup>z</sup>)$  used to produce Cu = 2 x  $n(Cu)$  produced  $= 0.040$  mol However this leaves  $0.1000 - 0.040 = 0.060$  mol e<sup>-</sup> for another cathode reaction, i.e. for the production of  $H_2(g)$  by the reduction of  $H_2O$ .  $2H_2O(1) + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2(g) + 2OH^$  $n(\text{H}_2)$  produced =  $\frac{1}{2}$  x  $n(e^-)$  used  $=$   $\frac{1}{2}$  x 0.060 = **0.030 mol** 

 So the maximum amounts of gaseous products that could be formed would be **0.025 mol O<sub>2</sub>** (at the anode) **and 0.030 mol H<sub>2</sub>** (at the cathode).

**B.** If the reaction  $2CH_3OH(g) + O_2(g) \rightarrow 2CH_2O(g) + 2H_2O(g)$  proceeded to completion, 2 mol CH<sub>3</sub>OH reacts with 1 mol  $O_2$  to produce 2 mol CH<sub>2</sub>O. Hence if 3 mol CH<sub>3</sub>OH was mixed with 3 mol  $O_2$  and the reaction proceeded to completion, 3 mol CH<sub>3</sub>OH would react with 1.5 mol  $O_2$  to produce 3 mol CH<sub>2</sub>O. However this would result in no CH<sub>3</sub>OH remaining, which cannot be the case if the system reaches equilibrium. Hence when equilibrium has been reached, less than 3 mol CH<sub>3</sub>OH must have been converted to CH<sub>2</sub>O, and less than 3 mol CH<sub>2</sub>O would **be present at equilibrium**.

 Although 1.5 mol is less than 3 mol, alternative A is not correct because there was not enough information supplied to determine exactly how much CH<sub>2</sub>O is present at equilibrium.

# **Question 20**

**A.** The fundamental difference in a nuclear power station is that the first energy change is the **conversion of nuclear energy (in uranium nuclei) to thermal energy.**  The energy change happens as **large uranium nuclei are split into smaller nuclei of different elements**.

 In the conversion of **chemical energy to thermal energy,** the atoms are rearranged as **chemical bonds are broken and formed, but there is no change in the elements present.** 

In a nuclear power station, the energy changes are

- 1. nuclear to thermal in the **reactor**
- 2. thermal to thermal **production of steam** by boiling water
- 3. thermal to mechanical steam driving the **turbine**
- 4. mechanical to electrical in the **generator**

# **Short Answer (Answers) - Section B**

## **Question 1**

a. i. The CPOX reaction is **exothermic (**Δ*H* **< 0)**, whereas the SMR process is endothermic  $(\Delta H > 0)$ . **O** 

> Hence the **heating costs should be less with the CPOX process**. Also the **heat released in the CPOX process can be used elsewhere in the process**, e.g. to heat incoming gases.  $\bullet$

- ii. Because the CPOX equilibrium is exothermic, the **forward reaction** and yield of Syngas is **favoured by low temperatures.**<sup>O</sup> However since reaction rates are slower at lower temperatures then **the rate of production of Syngas may be too**  slow  $\theta$
- iii. Lower pressure.  $\bullet$  Since both processes have more particles on the product side of the equilibrium, the position of equilibrium will shift to the right as the system adjusts to a pressure decrease.

#### iv. v.



# The three equilibria

 $N_2 + 3H_2 \rightleftharpoons 2NH_3$ 

 $2NO + O_2 \rightleftharpoons 2NO_2$ 

 $2\text{SO}_2 + \text{O}_2 \rightleftharpoons 2\text{SO}_3$ 

like the CPOX equilibrium all have  $\Delta H < 0$  and so the forward reaction is favoured by low temperature. However unlike the CPOX equilibrium, the forward reaction is favoured by high pressure.

The equilibrium  $C_3H_8 \rightleftharpoons C_2H_4 + CH_4$  has  $\Delta H > 0$  and so the forward reaction is favoured by high temperature. However, like the CPOX equilibrium it has more particles on the product side and so the forward reaction is favoured by low pressure.

- vi.  $CO(g) + 2H_2(g) \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH(g)$  **O**
- **b. i.**  $CH_3OH(l) + H_2O(l) \rightarrow CO_2(g) + 6H^+(aq) + 6e^-$
- ii.  $O_2(g) + 2H^+(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow 2H_2O(l)$  **O** 
	- iii. Liquid methanol is easier to transport and store than gaseous hydrogen.  $\bullet$ There is also a significant issue with the 'explosiveness' of hydrogen

#### **Question 2**

a. From Data Book;  $\Delta H_c$ (ethanol) = -1364 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup><br> $n(C_2H_5OH)$  used in calibration = 5.000 g / 46.0 g mol<sup>-1</sup>  $n(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH)$  used in calibration  $= 0.109$  mol Energy released = 0.109 mol x 1364 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>  $= 148$  kJ  $\odot$ Temperature change  $= 53.19 - 23.11$  $= 30.08$ °C  $\bullet$ Calibration factor =  $148$  kJ / 30.08 °C  $= 4.93$  kJ  $^{\circ}C^{-1}$  **O** 

 $b.$  Energy released = calorimeter constant x temperature change  $= 4.93 \text{ kJ} \text{°C}^{-1} \text{ x } (41.6 - 23.1) \text{°C}$   $\bullet$  $= 4.93 \times 18.5$  kJ  $= 91.2$  kJ  $\odot$ c. 5.865 g  $C_3H_6O_3 \to 91.2 \text{ kJ}$ To get  $\Delta H$  you need to determine the energy released per mol  $C_3H_6O_3$  $n(C_3H_6O_3)$  =  $m(C_3H_6O_3) / M(C_3H_6O_3)$  $= 5.865 \text{ g} / (3x12.0 + 6x1.00 + 3x16.0) \text{ g} \text{ mol}^{-1}$  $= 5.865 / 90.0$  mol  $= 0.0652$  mol  $\bullet$ Energy per mol =  $91.2$  kJ / 0.0652 mol  $= 1.40x10^{3}$  kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>  $\bullet$ So for  $C_3H_6O_3(aq) + 3O_2(g) \rightarrow 3CO_2(g) + 3H_2O(1)$ ,  $\Delta H = -1.40x10^{-3}$  kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>  $\odot$ 

#### **Question 3**

a. **20 minutes**  $\bullet$  - the concentrations stop changing at 20 minutes and the graphs are horizontal.

b. i.

d.



 ii. The concentrations of X and Y increase so more of both is being made as the system moves to equilibrium and Z is being consumed.

 Since it is a 1 L vessel, **2 mol Z has reacted to produce 3 mol of X and 1 mol of Y. 0** 

Hence the equilibrium equation would be

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\begin{array}{lll}\n\mathbf{2Z(g)} & \Longleftrightarrow & \mathbf{3X(g)} + \mathbf{Y(g)} \; \mathbf{0} & \text{or} & \mathbf{3X(g)} + \mathbf{Y(g)} \Longrightarrow & \mathbf{2Z(g)} \\
\text{c.} & K = [\mathbf{X}]^3 [\mathbf{Y}] / [\mathbf{Z}]^2 \; \mathbf{0} & \text{or} & K = [\mathbf{Z}]^2 / [\mathbf{X}]^3 [\mathbf{Y}]\n\end{array}
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= 43 x 3 / 22 = 22 / (43 x 3)= 5x101 (M2) ① = 2x10-1 (M2)
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- a.  $Q = It = 2.5 \times 50 \times 60$ 
	- $= 7.5x10^{3}$  C **O**

b.  $n(e^{\tau}) = Q/F = 7.5x10^3/96500$  $= 7.8x10^{-2}$  mol  $\odot$ 

c. Whether or not a metal is deposited on the cathode during the electrolysis of an aqueous solution of a metal salt, depends on the relative strengths, as oxidants, of the metal cations and water.

According to the electrochemical series

 $2H_2O(1) + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2(g) + 2OH(aq)$  -0.83 V  $K^+(aq) + e \rightarrow K(s)$  -2.93 V

H<sub>2</sub>O is a stronger oxidant than K<sup>+</sup>(aq) and will be preferentially reduced at the cathode, so no K will be deposited.  $\bullet$ 

Since metal M is produced during the electrolysis of  $M(NO_3)$ <sub>2</sub>(aq),  $M^{2+}(aa)$  is a **stronger oxidant than H2O, and its reduction half-equation will be higher than**  that of  $H_2O$  on the electrochemical series.  $\bullet$  i.e.

 $M^{2+}(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow M(s)$  > -0.83 V  $2H_2O(1) + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2(g) + 2OH(aq)$  $-0.83$  V d. Half-equations occurring in the KI(aq) cell are Anode  $(+)$  $2\Gamma(aq) \rightarrow I_2(s) + 2e^{-}$ Cathode (-)  $2H_2O(1) + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2(g) + 2OH$  (aq)  $n(I_2)$  formed =  $\frac{1}{2}$  x  $n(e^-)$  $=$   $\frac{1}{2}$  x 7.8x10<sup>-2</sup>  $= 3.9x10^{-2}$  mol  $\odot$  $m(I_2)$  formed = 3.9x10<sup>-2</sup> mol x (2x126.9)  $= 9.9 \text{ g}$   $\theta$ e. Reduction half-equation at cathode is  $M^{2+}(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow M(s)$  $n(M) = \frac{1}{2} x n(e^{-})$  $=$   $\frac{1}{2}$  x 7.8x10<sup>-2</sup>  $= 3.9x10^{-2}$  mol  $\odot$ *Molar mass of*  $M = m / n$  $= 2.48 \text{ g} / 3.9 \text{x} 10^{-2} \text{ mol}$  $= 63.6 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$ Hence metal is **copper**, Cu  $\bullet$ 

a. i. The graph shows that the pH of pure water decreases as the temperature increases.

 This is consistent with the **exothermic** nature of the self-ionisation of water  $2H_2O(l) \rightleftharpoons H_3O^+(aq) + OH^-(aq)$   $\bullet$ 

 As the temperature of pure water increases, the **endothermic reverse reaction is favoured** and so the  $[\mathbf{H}^+]$  increases and the pH decreases.  $\bullet$ 



At 35°C, pH = 6.82  
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[H_3O^+] = 10^{-6.82}
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\n= 1.5x10<sup>-7</sup> M

Since pure water is neutral, whatever the temperature  $[OH] = [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>]$ , so  $[OH^-] = 1.5x10^{-7} M$  **O** 

b. Propanoic acid, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>COOH, is a weak acid  $K_a = 1.3x10^{-5}$  (Data Book – Table 13)  $C_2H_5COOH(aq) \rightleftharpoons C_2H_5COO(aq) + H^+(aq)$  $K_a = [C_2H_5COO^{\dagger}][H^{\dagger}] / [C_2H_5COOH]$  Normal weak acids assumptions apply  $[C_2H_5COO^{\dagger}]=[H_3O^{\dagger}]$  and  $[C_2H_5COOH]_{\text{equilibrium}}=[C_2H_5COOH]_{\text{initially}}=0.10 \text{ M}$ So  $1.3x10^{-5} = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]^2 / 0.10$   $\bullet$  $0.10 \times 1.3 \times 10^{-5} = [H_3O^+]^2$  $[\textbf{H}_{3}\textbf{O}^{+}] = \sqrt{(1.3 \times 10^{-6})}$  $= 1.1x10^{-3} M$  $pH = -log_{10} [H_3O^+]$  $= -\log_{10} [1.1 \times 10^{-3}]$  $= 2.9$   $\overline{\bullet}$ 

c. i. **HCl is a strong acid which ionises completely** according to  $HCl(aq) + H_2O(l) \rightarrow H_3O^+(aq) + Cl^-(aq)$ **0.10 M HCl(aq)**  $\rightarrow$  [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>] = 0.10 M = 10<sup>-1</sup> M hence **pH = 1 0**  Diluting10 mL of 0.10 M HCl(aq) to 100 mL with water gives **0.010 M HCl(aq)**  $\rightarrow$  [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>] = 0.010 M = 10<sup>-2</sup> M hence **pH = 2 0**  ii. **Propanoic acid is a weak acid.**  In part (b) it was shown that in **0.10 M C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>COOH(aq), [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>] = 1.1x10<sup>-3</sup> M** Diluting10 mL of 0.10 M  $C_2H_5COOH(aq)$  to 100 mL with water gives **0.010 M C2H5COOH**  $K_a = [C_2H_5COO^{\dagger}] [H^{\dagger}] / [C_2H_5COOH]$  Normal weak acids assumptions apply  $[C_2H_5COO^{\dagger}] = [H_3O^{\dagger}]$  and  $[C_2H_5COOH]_{\text{equilibrium}} = [C_2H_5COOH]_{\text{initially}} = 0.010 \text{ M}$ So  $1.3 \times 10^{-5} = [H_3O^+]^2 / 0.010$  O  $0.010 \times 1.3 \times 10^{-5} = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]^2$  $[\mathbf{H}_3\mathbf{O}^+] = \sqrt{(1.3 \times 10^{-7})}$  $= 3.6x10^{-4} M$  $pH = -log_{10}[H_3O^+]$  $= -\log_{10}(3.6x10^{-4})$  $= 3.4 \; \textcircled{1}$ 

iii. As indicated in (i)  $\text{HCl}(aq)$  is a strong acid and so the change in  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$  is due **only to the dilution factor**. Hence **increasing the volume by a factor of 10,**  decreases the  $[H_3O^+]$  by a factor of 10 and thus increases the pH by 1.  $\bullet$ **Propanoic acid, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>COOH, is a weak acid**, ionising according to

 $C_2H_5COOH(aq) + H_2O(l) \rightleftharpoons C_2H_5COO'(aq) + H^+(aq)$ 

When the volume is increased by a factor of 10, the  $[H_3O^+]$  immediately decreases by a factor of 10. **However, addition of more of the reactant**  $H_2O(l)$ pushes the position of equilibrium to the right, so increasing the  $[H_3O^+]$ . The **combined effect of the dilution and the movement of the position of**  equilibrium is that  $[H_3O^+]$  decreases but by a factor less than 10.  $\bullet$ Consequently the **change in**  $pH - it$  increases by less than  $1 - is$  **smaller than** that for  $HCl(aq)$ .  $\bullet$ 

# **Question 6**

a. **1 M H<sup>+</sup>**(aq) – e.g. 1 M HCl(aq), Pt electrode  $\bullet$ 

# **H**<sub>2</sub>(g) at 101.3 kPa,  $25^{\circ}$ C  $\bullet$

A standard hydrogen half-cell, also known as the standard hydrogen electrode, contains a platinum electrode with hydrogen gas at 101.3 kPa, bubbled through a solution which is 1 M with respect to  $H^+(aq)$  at 25°C.

b According to the electrochemical series  $Cl<sub>2</sub>(g) + 2e^- \rightarrow 2Cl^-(aq)$  $1.36 V$  $2H^+(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2(g)$  0.0 V The strongest oxidant  $Cl_2$  reacts with strongest reductant  $H^+$  as described by the overall equation  $H_2(g) + Cl_2(g)$  → 2H<sup>+</sup>(aq) + 2Cl<sup>-</sup>(aq) **O** 

c. The decrease in pH indicates that the  $[H^+]$  **increases** in the standard hydrogen half-cell.

Half-reaction occurring must be  $H_2(g) \rightarrow 2H^+(aq) + 2e^-$ 

Since **oxidation** is occurring in the half-cell, and it is part of a galvanic cell, the **electrode must be negative (-)** X

d. In the electrochemical series based on the standard hydrogen half-cell, the relevant half-equations are

 $Cu^{2+}(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow Cu(s)$  0.34 V  $2H^+(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2(g)$  0.00 V  $Ni^{2+}(aa) + 2e \rightarrow Ni(s)$  -0.23 V

> In the alternative electrochemical series, the **differences between the standard electrode potentials will be same** – the relative strengths of oxidants and reductants remains the same – but the **standard electrode potential values change** because the  $Cu^{2+}/Cu$  half-cell is set at 0.0.  $\bullet$

On the alternative electrochemical series, the half-equations would appear as

 $Cu^{2+}(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow Cu(s)$  0.00 V  $2H^+(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2(g)$  -0.34 V  $Ni^{2+}(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow Ni(s)$  -0.57 V **O** 

e. According to the electrochemical series

 $2H_2O(1) + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2(g) + 2OH^2(aq) -0.83$  V

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Al^{3+}(aq) + 3e^- \rightarrow Al(s) \qquad \qquad -1.67 \text{ V}
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H<sub>2</sub>O is a stronger oxidant  $\bullet$  than Al<sup>3+</sup>(aq) and will be preferentially reduced  $\bullet$  during electrolysis

# **End of Suggested Answers**