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TIME : 2 hours

This question paper consists of 10 pages including cover page and 2 data sheets.

INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. Write your name and class (e.g. 10A) in the appropriate spaces on the ANSWER BOOK.
2. This question paper consists of SEVEN questions. Answer ALL the questions in the ANSWER BOOK.
3. Start EACH question on a NEW page in the ANSWER BOOK.
4. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
5. Leave ONE line between two sub questions, e.g. between QUESTION 2.1 and QUESTION 2.2.
6. You may use a non-programmable calculator.
7. You may use appropriate mathematical instruments.
8. You are advised to use the attached DATA SHEETS.
9. Show ALL formulae and substitutions in ALL calculations.
10. Round off your final numerical answers to a minimum of **TWO decimal places**.
11. Give brief motivations, discussions, etc. where required.
12. Write neatly and legibly.

QUESTION 1 (Start on a new page)

Various options are provided as possible with answers to the following questions. Each question has only ONE correct answer. Choose the answer and write only the letter (A–D) next to the question numbers (1.1 to 1.10) in the ANSWER BOOK, e.g. 1.11 D.

1.1 Which one of the following statements is TRUE about **brittle** physical property

- A. Ability to be stretched into a wire.
- B. Ability to be hammered or pressed into shape without breaking or cracking.
- C. Hard but likely to break easy.
- D. Ability to be stretched into a wire.

(2)

1.2 A compound has been defined as...

- A. A pure substance consisting of two or more different elements.
- B. A pure substance consisting of one type of atom.
- C. A substance that cannot be separated into simpler components by physical methods.
- D. The temperature of a liquid at which its vapour pressure equals the external (atmospheric) pressure.

(2)

1.3 Leago wants to state the kinetic molecular theory of gases to her teacher, and she has the following options:

- i. Are very far apart
- ii. Move around in all directions
- iii. Vibrate about fixed positions.
- iv. Have weak forces of attraction between them

Which ONE combination will be the most correct to explain kinetic molecular theory of gases?

- A. (i) only
- B. (iii) and (iv)
- C. (i), (ii) and (iv)
- D. (i), (ii) and (iii)

(2)

1.4 Study the unknown elements **J** to **N** below

ELEMENT	J	K	L	M	N
	$^{19}_{\text{9}}X$	$^{19}_{\text{10}}X$	$^{20}_{\text{9}}X$	$^{21}_{\text{11}}X$	$^{19}_{\text{8}}X$

Which **TWO** elements from **J** to **N** are isotopes?

- A. J and K
- B. J and N
- C. K and M
- D. J and L

(2)

1.5 What is the correct formula for copper (I) sulphate?

- A. Cu₁SO₄
- B. Cu₂SO₄
- C. Cu₁SO₃
- D. Cu₂SO₃

(2)

1.6 The electronegativity of elements of Periodic Table increases...

- A. across the period from left to right
- B. across the groups from left to right
- C. down the periods of the same group
- D. when their relative atomic mass decreases

(2)

1.7 Covalent bonding involves the _____ of electrons, while the ionic bonding involves the _____ of electrons

- A. sharing; splitting
- B. transferring; sharing
- C. exchanging; sharing
- D. sharing; transferring

(2)

1.8 The process whereby a solid substance changes directly to the gaseous phase is known as ...

- A. evaporation
- B. condensation
- C. sublimation
- D. melting

(2)

1.9 Consider the unbalanced chemical equation below.



Which ONE of the sets of coefficients will balance the chemical equation?

- A. 4: 6: 3
- B. 2: 3: 2
- C. 3: 4: 6
- D. 3: 6: 4

(2)

1.10 One mole of H₂O contains ...

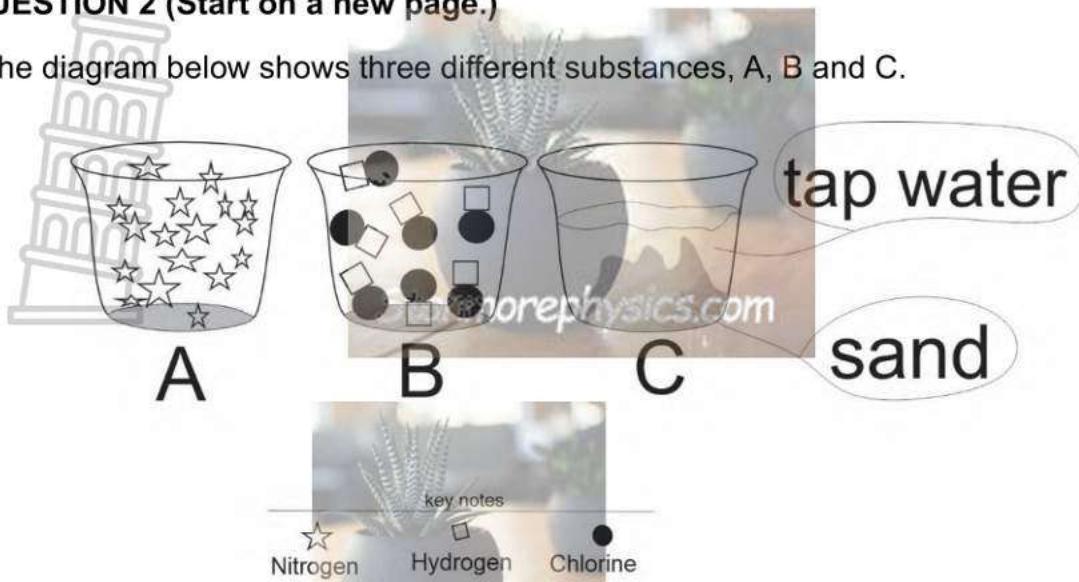
- A. 6.63×10^{34} molecules
- B. 3 atoms
- C. 1 molecule
- D. 6.02×10^{23} molecules

(2)

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QUESTION 2 (Start on a new page.)

The diagram below shows three different substances, A, B and C.



2.1 Define the term *compound*. (2)

2.2 From the diagram, use the key provided to answer the questions that follow.

Write down a LETTER (A, B or C) that represents the following:

2.2.1 Compound (1)

2.2.2 Element (1)

2.3 Write down a LETTER (A, B or C) that represents a heterogeneous mixture.

Explain your answer (2)

2.4 Which physical method would you use to separate substance C? (1)

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QUESTION 3 (Start on a new page.)

- 3.1 The following table shows the melting and boiling point of five substances.

	Substances				
	Water	Ethanol	Bromine	Chlorine	phosphorus
Melting point (°C)	0	-144	-7	-102	44
Boiling point (°C)	100	78	59	-34	280

- 3.1.1 Define *boiling point*. (2)
- Which of these substances:
- 3.1.2 has the lowest boiling point? (1)
- 3.1.3 is a solid at room temperature (25 °C)? (1)
- 3.1.4 are liquids at room temperature (25 °C)? (3)
- 3.1.5 is a gas at room temperature (25 °C)? (1)
- 3.2 Explain the following use: In places where it snows, the traffic department pours salt on snow-covered roads. (2)
- 3.3 Explain each of the following in terms of the kinetic molecular theory of matter:
- 3.3.1 A metal laundry line which hangs droop on a very warm day (2)
- 3.3.2 Decrease of metal size due to exposure of liquid nitrogen (2)
- 3.3.3 The need for gaps in railway lines (2)
- 3.4 Many people **mistakenly** take a bath after heavy drinking of an alcohol to ease the smell so that his/her Boss won't notice the smell, but they turned to smell more of alcohol after a bath even a day after heavy drinking.
- 3.4.1 Is this primarily due to diffusion or Brownian motion? (1)
- 3.4.2 Explain your answer in 3.4.1 (2)

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QUESTION 4 (Start on a new page.)

4.1 Define the terms:

4.1.1 *Atomic number* (2)4.1.2 *Isotope* (2)

4.2 Name the particle(s) found in the atom which:

4.2.1 carry no electrical charge. (1)

4.2.2 carry one negative electrical charge. (1)

4.2.3 has the smallest mass of all. (1)

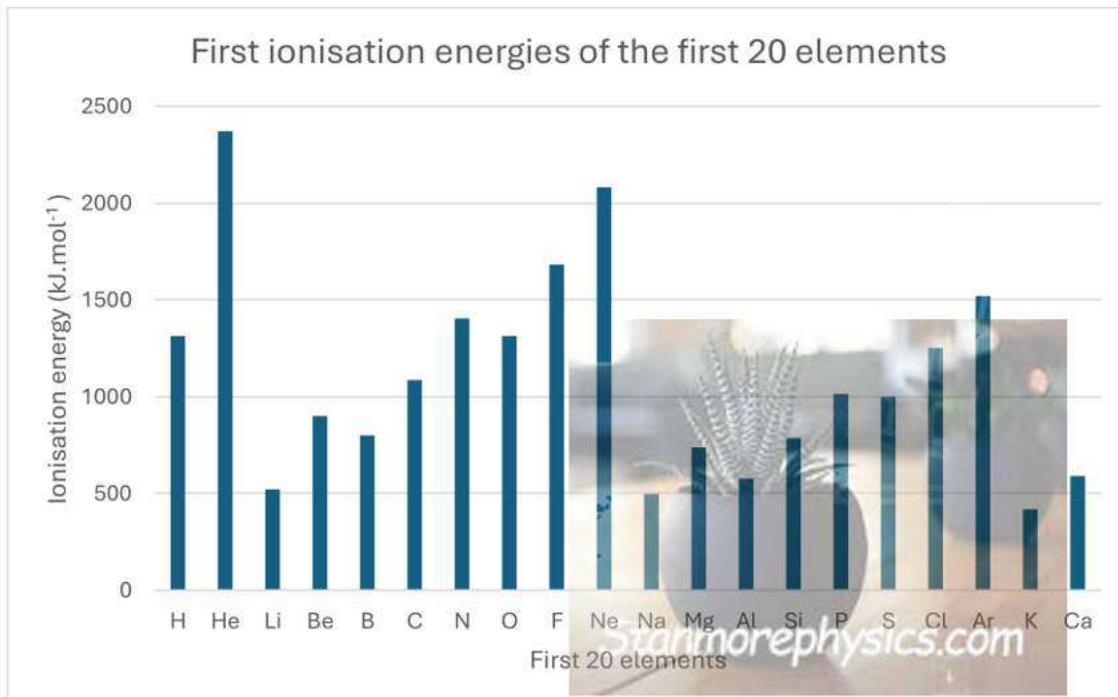
4.3 Complete the table below. Write only the answer next to the question number (4.3.1– 4.3.5).

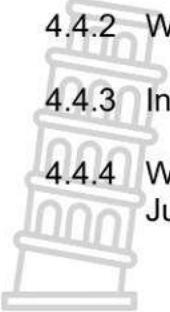
NB. DON'T redraw the table, e.g. 4.3.1 – 10

ELEMENT	MASS NUMBER	ATOMIC NUMBER	NUMBER OF PROTONS	NUMBER OF NEUTRONS	NUMBER OF ELECTRONS
Oxygen	16	4.3.1	8	4.3.2	8
4.3.3	19	9	9	4.3.4	4.3.5

(5)

4.4 The graph below shows the first ionisation energies of the first 20 elements in the periodic table.

4.4.1 Define the term *first ionisation energy*. (2)

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- 4.4.2 Which three elements have the lowest first ionisation energies? (1)
4.4.3 In which group of the periodic table do these elements **4.4.2** occur? (1)
4.4.4 Which of the metals or non-metals will preferably form positive ions? Justify your answer with data from the graph. (2)

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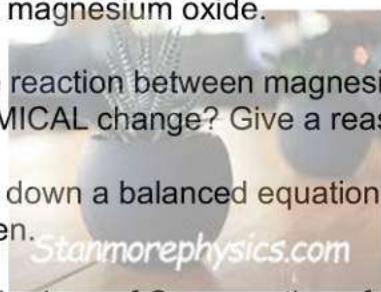
QUESTION 5 (Start on a new page.)

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- 5.1 Define covalent bond. (2)
5.2 Draw the Lewis diagram of simple covalent molecules
5.2.1 HCl (2)
5.2.2 CH₄ (2)
5.3 Ammonia (NH₃) is manufactured using an industrial process, known as the Haber process. It is used in the production of inorganic fertilisers, such as ammonium sulphate.
5.3.1 Write down the chemical formula for ammonium sulphate. (2)
5.3.2 Name the type of bond between the atoms in the ammonia molecule. (1)
5.3.3 Draw the Aufbau diagram (orbital box diagram) for nitrogen. (2)
5.3.4 How many valence electrons does nitrogen have? (1)

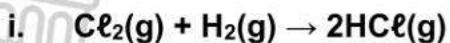
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QUESTION 6 (Start on a new page.)

Magnesium ribbon burns in oxygen with a bright white flame to produce a white solid, magnesium oxide.

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- 6.1 Is the reaction between magnesium ribbon and oxygen a PHYSICAL or CHEMICAL change? Give a reason for the answer. (2)
6.2 Write down a balanced equation for the reaction between magnesium and oxygen. (3)
6.3 Use the Law of Conservation of mass to show that mass is conserved during the reaction in QUESTION 6.2. (4)

6.4 The balanced chemical equation (i) and the word equation (ii) for two chemical reactions are shown below



ii. aluminium carbonate \rightarrow aluminium oxide + carbon dioxide

6.4.1 Write the chemical equation (i) in word equation (2)

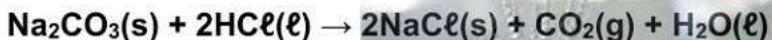
6.4.2 Write the word equation (ii) in chemical equation (3)

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QUESTION 7 (Start on a new page.)

7.1 Define one mole. (2)

7.2 Study the balanced chemical equation of the reaction between sodium carbonate (Na_2CO_3) and hydrochloric acid (HCl) and answer the questions that follow.



In a reaction, initially 10,6 g of sodium carbonate reacts completely with excess hydrochloric acid.

Calculate

7.2.1 The molar mass of sodium carbonate. (2)

7.2.2 Initial number of moles of sodium carbonate (3)

7.2.3 Number of moles of carbon dioxide if 4,87 dm³ of carbon dioxide was produced at STP. (3)

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**DATA FOR PHYSICAL SCIENCES GRADE 10
PAPER 2 (CHEMISTRY)**

**GEGEWENS VIR FISIESE WETENSKAPPE GRAAD 10
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TABLE 1: PHYSICAL CONSTANTS/TABEL 1: FISIESE KONSTANTES

NAME/NAAM	SYMBOL/SIMBOOL	VALUE/WAARDE
Standard pressure <i>Standaarddruk</i>	p°	$1,013 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$
Molar gas volume at STP <i>Molère gasvolume by STD</i>	V_m	$22,4 \text{ dm}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$
Standard temperature <i>Standaardtemperatuur</i>	T°	273 K
Charge on electron <i>Lading op elektron</i>	e	$1,6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$

TABLE 2: FORMULAE/TABEL 2: FORMULES

$n = \frac{m}{M}$	$n = \frac{N}{N_A}$
$c = \frac{n}{V}$ OR/OF $c = \frac{m}{MV}$	$n = \frac{V}{V_m}$

TABLE 3: THE PERIODIC TABLE OF ELEMENTS/TABEL 3: DIE PERIODIEKE TABEL VAN ELEMENTE



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1 (I)	2 (II)	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13 (III)	14 (IV)	15 (V)	16 (VI)	17 (VII)	18 (VIII)	
1 H 1	2,1 1 He 4																	
3 Li 7	1,0 1,5 Be 9																	
11 Na 23	0,9 1,2 Mg 24																	
19 K 39	0,8 1,0 Ca 40	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	
37 Rb 86	0,8 1,0 Sr 88	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	
55 Cs 133	0,7 0,9 Ba 137	56	57	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	
87 Fr	0,7 0,9 Ra 226	88	89	Ac														
					58 Ce 140	59 Pr 141	60 Nd 144	61 Pm	62 Sm 150	63 Eu 152	64 Gd 157	65 Tb 159	66 Dy 163	67 Ho 165	68 Er 167	69 Tm 169	70 Yb 173	71 Lu 175
					90 Th 232	91 Pa	92 U 238	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No	103 Lr

KEY/SLEUTEL

Atomic number
Atoomgetal

Electronegativity
Elektronegativiteit

Symbol
Simbool

Approximate relative atomic mass
Benaderde relatiewe atoommassa



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FINAL ERRATA MARKING GUIDELINES/FINALE ERRATA
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nasienriglyne bestaan uit 9 bladsye, insluitend die voorblad.

QUESTION 1/VRAAG 1

- 1.1 C. ✓✓ (2)
- 1.2 A. ✓✓ (2)
- 1.3 C. ✓✓ (2)
- 1.4 D. ✓✓ (2)
- 1.5 B. ✓✓ (2)
- 1.6 A. ✓✓ (2)
- 1.7 D. ✓✓ (2)
- 1.8 C. ✓✓ (2)
- 1.9 C. ✓✓ (2)
- 1.10 D. ✓✓ (2)

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QUESTION 2 /VRAAG 2



- 2.1 A pure substance consisting of two or more different elements. ✓✓ / 'n Suiwer stof wat uit twee of meer verskillende elemente bestaan **(2 OR 0)** (2)
- 2.2 2.2.1 B ✓ (1)
- 2.2.2 A ✓ (1)

2.3 C ✓



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It's a mixture of non-uniform composition and of which the components can be easily identified. ✓ / Dit is 'n mengsel met 'n nie-uniforme samestelling en waarvan die komponente maklik geïdentifiseer kan word.

OR/OF

Sand and water can be easily identified. ✓ / Sand en water kan maklik geïdentifiseer word (2)

2.4 Filtration ✓ / Filtrasie (1)

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QUESTION 3 /VRAAG 3

- 3.1 3.1.1 The temperature at which the vapour pressure of a liquid equals the external (atmospheric) pressure. ✓✓ / Die temperatuur waarby die dampdruk van 'n vloeistof gelyk is aan die eksterne (atmosferiese) druk **(2 or/0)** (2)
- 3.1.2 Chlorine ✓ / Chloor (1)
- 3.1.3 Phosphorus ✓ / Fosfor (1)
- 3.1.4 Water ✓
Ethanol ✓ / Etanol
Bromine ✓ / Broom (3)
- 3.1.5 Chlorine ✓ / Chloor (1)



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3.2 Salt has high thermal conductivity. Can easily lower the freezing point of water, which prevents ice from forming. ✓(but less effective once the temperature falls below 0 to – 9°C) / *Sout het hoë termiese geleidingsvermoë. Kan die vriespunt van water maklik verlaag, wat verhoed dat ys vorm.* (maar minder effektief sodra die temperatuur onder 0 tot – 9 °C daal) (2)

3.3 3.3.1 • As the temperature increases, the particles in the metal have more kinetic energy. ✓ / *Soos die temperatuur styg, het die deeltjies in die metaal meer kinetiese energie.*

• Leading to more vibrations of metal atoms within the line resulting in lack of stiffness compared to a cooler day. ✓ / *Wat lei tot meer vibrasies van metaalatome binne die lyn wat lei tot 'n gebrek aan styfheid in vergelyking met 'n koeler dag.* (2)

3.3.2 • Liquid nitrogen has a very low temperature, causes the metal atoms to transfer some of their kinetic energy. ✓ / *Vloeibare stikstof het 'n baie lae temperatuur, wat veroorsaak dat die metaalatome van hul kinetiese energie oordra.*

• Leading to less vibrations of metal atoms, to less expansion effect. ✓ / *Lei tot minder vibrasies van metaalatome, tot minder uitbreidingseffek.*

OR/OF

• As the metal atoms cool down due to decrease in temperature, causes the metal particles to have less kinetic energy. ✓ / *Soos die metaalatome afkoel as gevolg van 'n afname in temperatuur, veroorsaak dit dat die metaaldeeltjies minder kinetiese energie het.*

• Their vibrations decrease. This leads to a decrease in the distance between the atoms, resulting in a smaller overall volume for the metal. ✓ / *Hul vibrasies neem af. Dit lei tot 'n afname in die afstand tussen die atome, wat 'n kleiner algehele volume vir die metaal tot gevolg het.* (2)

3.3.3 • If the temperature increases, the kinetic energy of particles also increases. ✓ / *As die temperatuur styg, neem die kinetiese energie van deeltjies ook toe.*

• Leading to their increased movement and expansion. Causing them to lengthen. ✓ / *Wat lei tot hul verhoogde beweging en uitsitting. Dit veroorsaak dat hulle langer word.* (2)



(If there were no gaps, the rails would expand against each other, potentially buckling or causing the track to deform) / (As daar geen gapings was nie, sou die spore teen mekaar uitsit, wat moontlik sou buig of veroorsaak dat die spoor vervorm.)

3.4 3.4.1 Diffusion ✓ / Diffusie (1)

3.4.2 Alcohol molecules, even after some metabolism, are still present in the bloodstream. / Alkoholmolekules, selfs na 'n mate van metabolisme, is steeds in die bloedstroom teenwoordig.

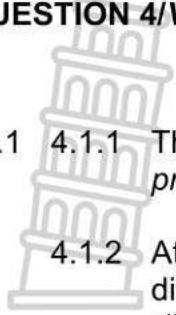
- Water is a common solvent, and alcohol diffuses readily into water. ✓ / Water is 'n algemene oplosmiddel, en alkohol diffundeer maklik in water
- In a bath, the increased surface area of skin exposed to water allows for greater diffusion of alcohol into the water, leading to a stronger odour. ✓ / In 'n bad laat die groter oppervlakte van die vel wat aan water blootgestel word, groter verspreiding van alkohol in die water toe, wat lei tot 'n sterker reuk.

OR/OF

The movement of atoms or molecules from an area of higher concentration (bloodstream) to an area of lower concentration (water bath) leading to a stronger odour. ✓✓ / Die beweging van atome of molekules vanaf 'n gebied met 'n hoër konsentrasie (bloedstroom) na 'n gebied met 'n laer konsentrasie (waterbad) wat lei tot 'n sterker reuk. (2)

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QUESTION 4/VRAAG 4



- 4.1 4.1.1 The number of protons in an atom of an element. ✓✓ / Die aantal protone in 'n atoom van 'n element **(2 OR 0)** (2)
- 4.1.2 Atoms of the same element having the same number of protons, but different numbers of neutrons. ✓✓ / Atome van dieselfde element met dieselfde aantal protone, maar verskillende getalle neuronne. (2)
- 4.2 4.2.1 Neutrons ✓ / Neutrone (1)
- 4.2.2 Electrons ✓ / Elektrone (1)
- 4.2.3 Electrons ✓ / Elektrone (1)
- 4.3 4.3.1 8 ✓ (1)
- 4.3.2 8 ✓ (1)
- 4.3.3 Fluorine/fluoor (1)
- 4.3.4 10 ✓ (1)
- 4.3.5 9 ✓ (1)
- 4.4 4.4.1 Energy needed per mole to remove the first electron from an atom in the gaseous phase. ✓✓ / Energie benodig per mol om die eerste elektron uit 'n atoom in die gasfase te verwijder **(2 OR 0)** (2)
- 4.4.2 Li, Na and/en K ✓ (all THREE correct, 1 or 0 / al DRIE korrek, 1 of 0)
- Or/Of
- Lithium, sodium and potassium ✓ / Litium, natrium en kalium (all THREE correct, 1 or 0 al DRIE korrek, 1 of 0) (1)
- 4.4.3 Group 1 / I ✓ / Groep 1 / I (1)
- 4.4.4 Metals ✓ / Metale
- Metal atoms have high ability to lose electrons from their outer shell when they form ions the ions are positive, because they have more protons. ✓ / Metaalatome het 'n hoë vermoë om elektrone van hul buitenste orbitaal te verloor wanneer hulle ione vorm; die ione is positief omdat hulle meer protone het. (2)

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QUESTION 5/VRAAG 5

- 5.1 The sharing of valence electrons between atoms to form molecules. ✓✓ / Die deel van valenselektrone tussen atome om molekules te vorm.

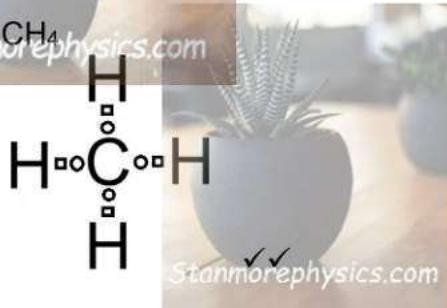
(2 or/of 0) (2)

- 5.2 5.2.1 HCl



(2)

- 5.2.2 CH₄



(2)

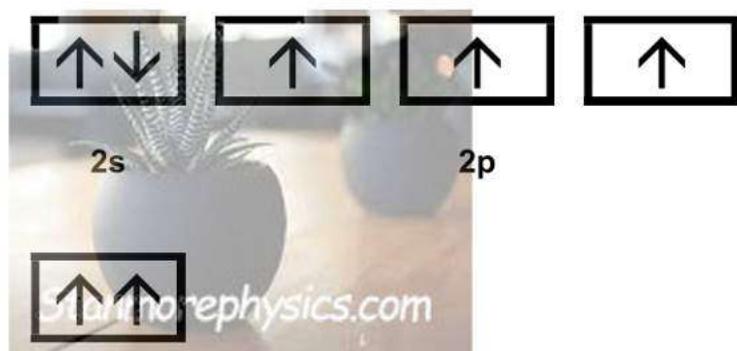
- 5.3 5.3.1 (NH₄)₂SO₄ ✓✓

(2)

- 5.3.2 Covalent bond ✓/ Kovalente binding

(1)

- 5.3.3 Aufbau diagram (orbital box diagram) for nitrogen/ Aufbau-diagram (orbitaalkasdiagram) vir stikstof



1s

n = 2	✓ (all correct/almal korrek)	1
n = 1	✓ (all correct/almal korrek)	1
Total/totaal		2

(2)

- 5.3.4 5 ✓

(1)

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QUESTION 6/VRAAG 6

6.1 Chemical change. ✓/Chemiese verandering

It involves the formation of a new substance, magnesium oxide, which has different properties than the original magnesium and oxygen. ✓/ Dit behels die vorming van 'n nuwe stof, magnesiumoksied, wat verskillende eienskappe het as die oorspronklike magnesium en suurstof.

Or/Of

New chemical substances are formed. ✓/ Nuwe chemiese stowwe word gevorm

(2)

6.2 $2\text{Mg} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{MgO}$



Reactants (without mole ratio) / Reaktante (sonder molverhouding)	✓	1
Products (without mole ratio)/ Produkte (sonder molverhouding)	✓	1
Balancing (mole ratio) both Reactants and Product/ Balansering (molverhouding) van beide Reaktante en Produk	✓	1
Total/totaal		3

(3)

6.3

Reactants/reaktante		Products/produkte	
$2\text{Mg} + \text{O}_2$		2MgO	
$= 2(24) + 2(16)$	✓	$= 2(24 + 16)$	
$= 80 \text{ g.mol}^{-1}$	✓	$= 80 \text{ g.mol}^{-1}$	✓
	2		1

Thus, the mass of the reactants = mass of the products ✓/ Dus, die massa van die reaktante = massa van die produkte

(4)

6.4 6.4.1 Chlorine + hydrogen → hydrogen chloride / Chloor + waterstof → waterstofchloried

Both reactants /beide reaktante	✓	1
Products/produkte	✓	1
Total/totaal		2

(2)

6.4.2 $\text{Al}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3 \rightarrow \text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 + 3\text{CO}_2$

Reactants (without mole ratio)/ Reaktante (sonder molverhouding)	✓	1
Products (without mole ratio)/ Produkte (sonder molverhouding)	✓	1
Balancing (mole ratio) both Reactants and Product/ Balansering (molverhouding) van beide Reaktante en Produk	✓	1
Total/totaal		3

(3)

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QUESTION 7/VRAAG 7

7.1 The amount of substance having the same number of particles as there are atoms in 12 g carbon-12. ✓✓ / Die hoeveelheid stof met dieselfde aantal deeltjies as wat daar atome in 12 g koolstof-12 is **(2 or/of 0)** (2)

7.2 7.2.1 $M(\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3) = 2(\text{Na}) + \text{C} + 3\text{O}$
 $= 2(23) + (12) + 3(16) \checkmark$
 $= 106 \text{ g.mol}^{-1} \checkmark$ (2)

Positive marking form question 7.2.1/positiewe nasien vanaf vraag

7.2.1

7.2.2 $n = \frac{m}{M}$



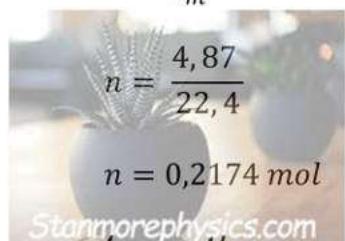
$$n = \frac{10,6}{106}$$

$$n = 0,10 \text{ mol}$$

✓
✓

(3)

7.2.3 $n = \frac{V}{V_m}$ ✓



✓
✓

(3)

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(accept/aanvaar 0,22 mol/ 0,217 mol. DON'T accept/ONAANVAARBAAR
0,2 mol / 0,21 mol)*

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TOTAL: 100