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**INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**

1. Write your name and surname (and centre number if applicable) in the appropriate spaces on the ANSWER BOOK/ANSWER SHEET.
2. This question paper consists of NINE questions. Answer ALL the questions in the ANSWER BOOK.
3. Start EACH question on a NEW page in the ANSWER BOOK.
4. Non-programmable calculators may be used.
5. Appropriate mathematical instruments may be used.
6. Leave ONE line between two sub questions, e.g. between QUESTION 2.1 and QUESTION 2.2.
7. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
8. Data sheets are attached for your use.
9. Wherever motivations, discussions, et cetera are required, be brief.
10. Show ALL formulae and substitutions in ALL calculations.
11. Write neatly and legibly.

**QUESTION1: MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS**

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

1.1 Which one of the following compounds is unsaturated hydrocarbon?

- A.  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$
- B.  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$
- C.  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CHCHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$
- D.  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CH}_3$

(2)

Which of the following is the functional group for ketones?

- 1.2
- A. Carbonyl group.
  - B. Carboxyl group.
  - C. Formyl group.
  - D. Hydroxyl group.

(2)

Which of the following pairs of organic compounds are chain isomers?

- 1.3
- A. Butane and methyl butane.
  - B. Hexane and 2,2 – dimethyl butane.
  - C. 2 – methyl pentane and 3 – methyl pentane.
  - D. Pentanoic acid and methylbutanoate.

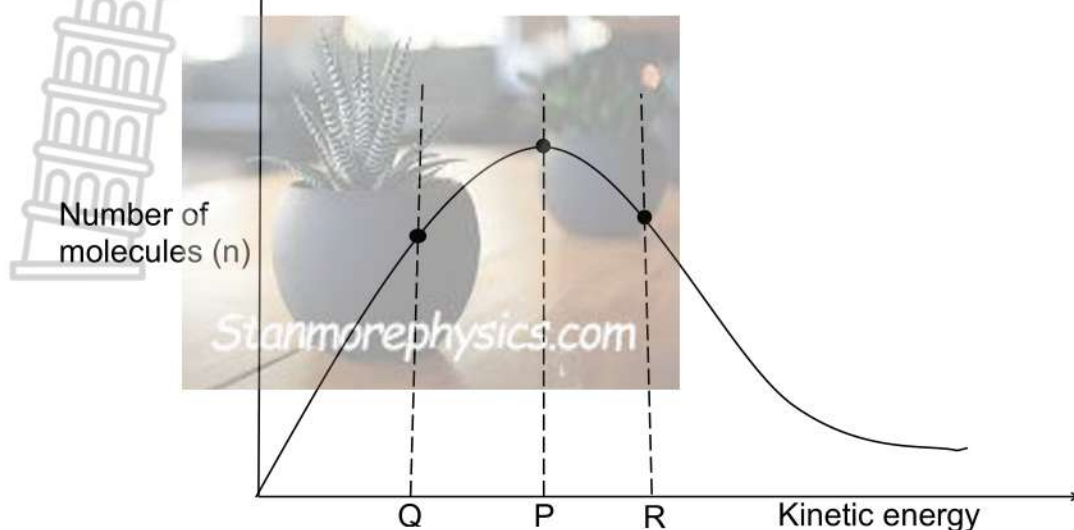
Which one of the following compounds is a product of the cracking of octane?

- 1.4
- A.  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$ .
  - B.  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$
  - C.  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Br}$
  - D.  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHO}$

(2)

The Boltzman distribution curve for a certain gas at constant temperature is shown below:

1.5



If the temperature of the gas is REDUCED by  $20^{\circ}\text{C}$ , the shape of the graph changes.

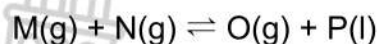
What happens to the values of  $n$  for the kinetic energies Q, P and R?

	Q	P	R
A	Higher.	Lower.	Higher.
B	Higher.	Lower.	Lower.
C	Lower.	Higher.	Lower.
D	Lower.	Lower.	Lower.

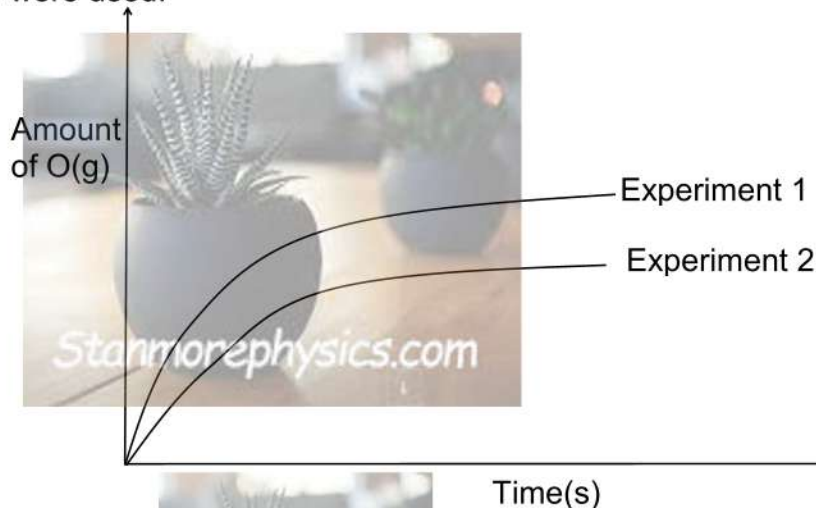
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1.6 Consider the following hypothetical reversible reaction below:



Two experiments in which the production of O was measured were carried out. The results are shown in the graph below. The same initial amounts of M and N were used.



What change in the conditions can explain the results shown?

- A. A lower pressure was used in experiment 2.
- B. A catalyst was used in experiment 2.
- C. A higher temperature was used in experiment 2.
- D. A lower temperature was used in experiment 2.

(2)

1.7 Which of the following statements is/are true regarding the equivalence point of a reaction between ethanoic acid and sodium hydroxide?

- (i) It is the point where the acid and the base have reacted so that neither is in excess.
- (ii)  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = [\text{OH}^-]$
- (iii)  $\text{pH} = 7$

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

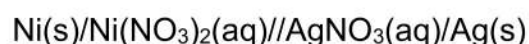
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- 1.8 A beaker contains a dilute solution of hydrochloric acid. A second beaker contains a solution of sodium hydroxide. Water is added to EACH solution. What happens to the pH of each solution?

	Hydrochloric acid solution	Sodium hydroxide solution
A	Decreases.	Increases.
B	Increases.	Decreases.
C	Decreases.	Decreases.
D	Increases.	Increases.

(2)

- 1.9 Consider the galvanic cell represented by the cell notation below:

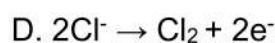
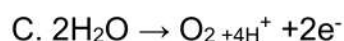
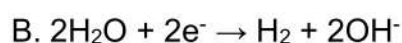
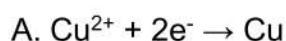


Which one of the following describes the movement of ions between the two half cells?

	Positive ions	Negative ions
A	From Ni to Ag.	From Ni to Ag.
B	From Ni to Ag.	From Ag to Ni.
C	From Ag to Ni.	From Ag to Ni.
D	From Ag to Ni.	From Ni to Ag.

(2)

- 1.10 Which ONE of the half reactions below will occur at the POSITIVE electrode during the electrolysis of  $\text{CuCl}_2(\text{aq})$ ?



(2)

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## QUESTION 2

The table below represents organic compounds. Study the table and answer the questions that follow.

<b>A</b>	HCHO	<b>B</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> -CHBr-CH <sub>2</sub> -C(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>
<b>C</b>	C(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub>	<b>D</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CHCH <sub>2</sub>
<b>E</b>	C <sub>x</sub> H <sub>y</sub>	<b>F</b>	Methyl propanoate

- 2.1 Define the term chain isomer. (2)
- 2.2 Write down the:
- 2.2.1 Letter that represents a chain isomer of pentane. (1)
- 2.2.2 IUPAC name of compound **B**. (3)
- 2.2.3 IUPAC name of compound **D**. (2)
- 2.2.4 GENERAL FORMULA of the homologous series to which compound **D** belongs. (1)
- 2.3 Draw a STRUCTURAL FORMULA of compound **F**. (2)
- 2.4 Write down a balanced equation, using MOLECULAR FORMULAE, for the complete combustion of compound **C**. (3)
- 2.5 To which homologous series does **A** belongs? (1)
- 2.6 Compound **E** is an alkane with an extra 20% of C-atoms than compound **C**. Determine the values of X and Y. (4)

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**QUESTION 3**

The melting and boiling points of the first four straight-chain alkanes are compared under the same conditions.

Number of C atoms	Name	Melting point	Boiling point
1	Methane	-183	-162
2	Ethane	-172	-89
3	Propane	-186	-42
4	Butane	-136	0

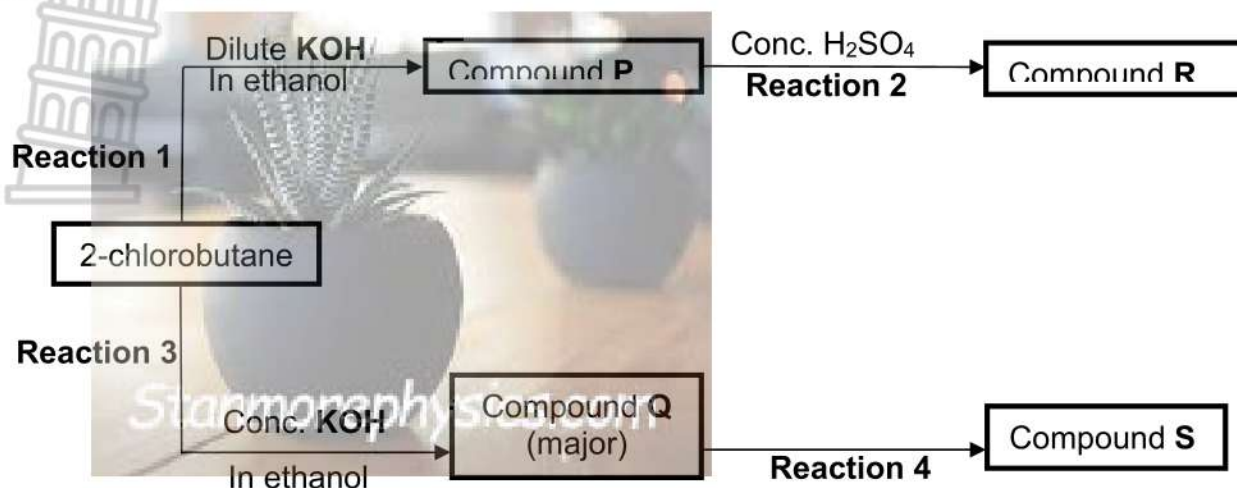
- 3.1 Define the term melting point. (2)
- 3.2 What CONCLUSION can be drawn from data in the table? (2)
- 3.3 How will the strength of intermolecular forces butane compare to its isomer? Write only STRONGER THAN, WEAKER THAN or EQUAL TO. (1)
- 3.4 Is this comparison fair or unfair? Give a reason to your answer. (2)
- 3.5 In which phase will propane be at room temperature? Write only GAS, LIQUID or SOLID. (1)
- 3.6 Explain the difference in boiling point between ethane and propane. (3)

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**QUESTION 4**

The flow diagram below shows different organic reactions. Compounds P, Q, R and S are organic compounds.



4.1 **Reaction 1**, Write down:

4.1.1 The TYPE of reaction. (1)

4.1.2 IUPAC name of compound P. (2)

4.2 Consider **reaction 2**.

4.2.1 Write down the STRUCTURAL formula of compound R. (2)

4.2.2 Apart from concentrated sulphuric acid, what is the other condition for this reaction to take place? (1)

4.3 For **reaction 3**, write down:

4.3.1 A balanced equation using STRUCTURAL FORMULAE for this reaction. (5)

4.3.2 The IUPAC name of compound Q. (2)

4.4 **Reaction 4:** compound S is an alkane. Write down the:

4.4.1 TYPE of reaction. (1)

4.4.2 NAME or FORMULA of a catalyst needed for this reaction (1)

4.5 Compound S, can undergo cracking under certain conditions.

4.5.1 Define the term cracking. (2)

4.5.2 Except for high temperature and high pressure, what is the other condition required for compound S to undergo cracking? (1)

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## QUESTION 5



Roloids is a tablet which contains calcium carbonate as one of the active ingredients. A pharmacist wants to determine the rate of reaction between stomach acid and Roloids. He performs an experiment using calcium carbonate powder and concentrated hydrochloric acid of concentration  $0,1 \text{ mol/dm}^3$ . He then performs the same experiment using a lump of calcium carbonate of the same mass as the powder. The reaction takes place according to the following chemical equation:



- 5.1 Define the term rate of reaction. (2)
- 5.2 What type of reaction takes place between the Roloids tablet and hydrochloric acid? (1)
- 5.3 The pharmacist repeated the same experiment using the same mass of calcium carbonate lumps. Which factor affecting the rate of reaction is the pharmacist investigating? (1)
- 5.4 What is the dependent variable for the investigation? (1)
- 5.5 In the second experiment  $53 \text{ cm}^3$  of carbon dioxide was produced in one minute. Calculate the average rate of reaction in  $\text{mol.s}^{-1}$ . (5)

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## QUESTION 6

- 6.1 The following reaction is one of the steps in the production of sulphuric acid:



- 6.1.1 Define the term chemical equilibrium. (2)
- 6.1.2 In an industry, they mix a certain moles  $x$  of sulphur dioxide with  $0,5 \text{ mol}$  of oxygen gas. The reaction proceeds until equilibrium is reached in a  $2 \text{ dm}^3$  container. Upon analysis of the equilibrium mixture it was discovered that a quarter ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of the initial number of moles of oxygen remains. The  $K_c$  value for this reaction is 10. Calculate the initial number of moles of sulphur dioxide that was in the container. (8)

6.1.3 Calculate the mass of sulphur dioxide that was sealed in the container. (3)

6.2 Certain changes were made to the equilibrium conditions. What effect will they have on the yield of  $\text{SO}_3$ ? Write only INCREASES, DECREASES or STAYS THE SAME.

6.2.1 Increase in temperature. (1)

6.2.2 Catalyst added. (1)

6.2.3 Pressure decreased. Use Le Chatelier's principle to explain your choice. (3)

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## QUESTION 7

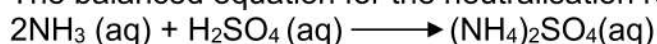
Ammonia is a weak base found in many household cleaning products.

7.1 Define the term weak base. (2)

In an attempt to determine the concentration of ammonia in a local carpet cleaner, Thabo added  $20 \text{ cm}^3$  of the carpet cleaner to a  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  volumetric flask and added water up to the  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  mark.  $31,2 \text{ cm}^3$  of this solution was neutralised by  $25 \text{ cm}^3$  of sulphuric acid of concentration  $0,02 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{dm}^{-3}$

7.2 Calculate the concentration of hydroxide ions,  $\text{OH}^-$ , in the acid. (4)

The balanced equation for the neutralisation reaction is;



7.3.1 Calculate the concentration of ammonia in the household cleaner. (7)

7.3.2 At the equivalence point the pH of the mixture is not 7. State whether the pH is ABOVE 7 or BELOW 7 and explain your answer using a relevant equation. (4)

7.4 A diprotic weak acid ionises in water in two steps as shown in the two equations shown below.



7.4.1 Define the term ampholyte. (2)

From the above reactions, write down the formulae of the:

7.4.2 Ampholyte. (1)

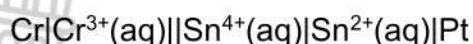
7.4.3 Two acids in equation I. (2)

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## QUESTION 8

A galvanic cell is set up under standard conditions as represented by the cell notation below.

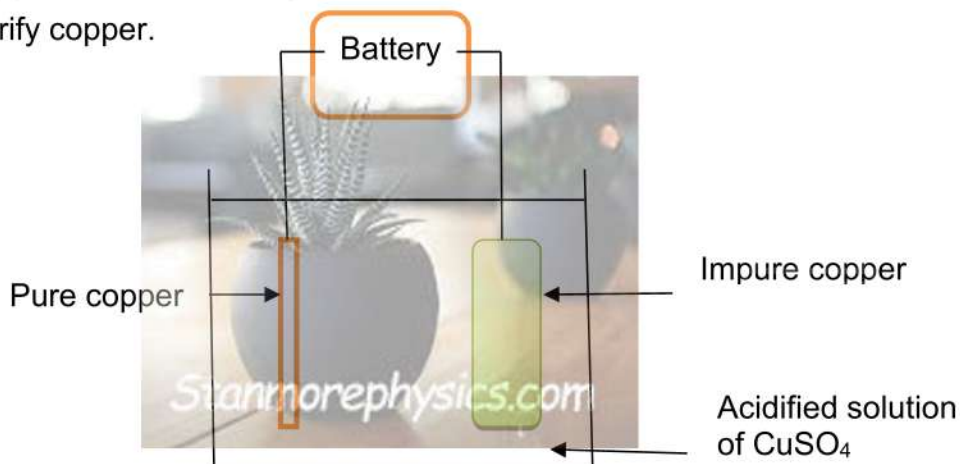


- 8.1 Define the term galvanic cell. (2)
- 8.2 Write down the standard conditions under which this cell operates. (2)
- 8.3 Write down the formula of the:
- 8.3.1 Cathode. (1)
- 8.3.2 Reducing agent. (1)
- 8.4 What is the total concentration of tin ions in the electrolyte of the Sn half-cell? (1)
- 8.5 Write down a balanced equation for the net cell reaction. (3)
- 8.6 Calculate the initial Emf of the cell. (4)
- 8.7 How does an increase in the initial concentration of  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  ions affect the voltmeter reading? Write only INCREASES, DECREASES or REMAINS THE SAME (1)

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## QUESTION 9

Copper metal of very high purity is required to manufacture electrical copper cables. The diagram below shows an electrochemical cell used to purify copper.



- 9.1 Define the term electrolysis. (2)



- 9.2 Write down a balanced equation for the anode half reaction. (2)
- 9.3 Which electrode is the positive electrode of the cell? Write only PURE COPPER or IMPURE COPPER. (1)
- 9.4 The impure copper contains zinc, silver, gold and nickel as impurities
- 9.4.1 Identify one impurity that may be oxidised. (1)
- 9.4.2 Explain your answer to 9.3.1 (2)
- 9.4.3 State what happens to the impurities that are not oxidised. (1)

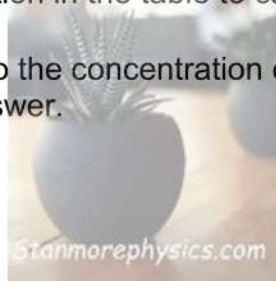
A current was passed through the solution for a certain period of time. The electrodes were weighed before and after electrolysis. The results are shown in the table below.

	Mass of impure copper(g)	Mass of pure copper(g)
Before electrolysis	600	150
After electrolysis	390	320

- 9.5 Use the information in the table to calculate the percentage purity of the impure copper. (4)
- 9.6 What happens to the concentration of the electrolyte during the process? Explain your answer. (3)

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**TABLE 1: PHYSICAL CONSTANTS / TABEL 1: FISIIESE KONSTANTES**

NAME/NAAM	SYMBOL/SIMBOOL	VALUE/WAARDE
Standard pressure <i>Standaarddruk</i>	$p^\theta$	$1,013 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$
Molar gas volume at STP <i>Molêre gasvolume by STD</i>	$V_m$	$22,4 \text{ dm}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$
Standard temperature <i>Standaardtemperatuur</i>	$T^\theta$	$273 \text{ K}$
Charge on electron <i>Lading op elektron</i>	$e$	$-1,6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
Avogadro's constant <i>Avogadro se konstante</i>	$N_A$	$6,02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

**TABLE 2: FORMULAE / TABEL 2: FORMULES**

$n = \frac{m}{M}$	$n = \frac{N}{N_A}$
$c = \frac{n}{V}$ OR/OF $c = \frac{m}{MV}$	$n = \frac{V}{V_m}$
$\frac{c_a V_a}{c_b V_b} = \frac{n_a}{n_b}$	$\text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$
$K_w = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] = 1 \times 10^{-14} \text{ at/by } 298 \text{ K}$	
$E_{\text{cell}}^\theta = E_{\text{cathode}}^\theta - E_{\text{anode}}^\theta / E_{\text{sel}}^\theta = E_{\text{katode}}^\theta - E_{\text{anode}}^\theta$ Or/of $E_{\text{cell}}^\theta = E_{\text{reduction}}^\theta - E_{\text{oxidation}}^\theta / E_{\text{sel}}^\theta = E_{\text{reduksie}}^\theta - E_{\text{oksidasie}}^\theta$ Or/of $E_{\text{cell}}^\theta = E_{\text{oxidising agent}}^\theta - E_{\text{reducing agent}}^\theta / E_{\text{sel}}^\theta = E_{\text{oksideer middel}}^\theta - E_{\text{reduseer middel}}^\theta$	

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TABLE 3: THE PERIODIC TABLE OF ELEMENTS  
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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 2,1 <b>H</b> 1																	2 <b>He</b> 4
3 1,0 <b>Li</b> 7	4 1,5 <b>Be</b> 9											5 2,0 <b>B</b> 11	6 2,5 <b>C</b> 12	7 3,0 <b>N</b> 14	8 3,5 <b>O</b> 16	9 4,0 <b>F</b> 19	10 <b>Ne</b> 20
11 0,9 <b>Na</b> 23	12 1,2 <b>Mg</b> 24											13 1,5 <b>Al</b> 27	14 1,8 <b>Si</b> 28	15 2,1 <b>P</b> 31	16 2,5 <b>S</b> 32	17 3,0 <b>Cl</b> 35,5	18 <b>Ar</b> 40
19 0,8 <b>K</b> 39	20 1,0 <b>Ca</b> 40	21 1,3 <b>Sc</b> 45	22 1,5 <b>Ti</b> 48	23 1,6 <b>V</b> 51	24 1,6 <b>Cr</b> 52	25 1,5 <b>Mn</b> 55	26 1,8 <b>Fe</b> 56	27 1,8 <b>Co</b> 59	28 1,8 <b>Ni</b> 59	29 1,9 <b>Cu</b> 63,5	30 1,6 <b>Zn</b> 65	31 1,6 <b>Ga</b> 70	32 1,8 <b>Ge</b> 73	33 2,0 <b>As</b> 75	34 2,4 <b>Se</b> 79	35 2,8 <b>Br</b> 80	36 <b>Kr</b> 84
37 0,8 <b>Rb</b> 86	38 1,0 <b>Sr</b> 88	39 1,2 <b>Y</b> 89	40 1,4 <b>Zr</b> 91	41 <b>Nb</b> 92	42 1,8 <b>Mo</b> 96	43 1,9 <b>Tc</b>	44 2,2 <b>Ru</b> 101	45 2,2 <b>Rh</b> 103	46 2,2 <b>Pd</b> 106	47 1,9 <b>Ag</b> 108	48 1,7 <b>Cd</b> 112	49 1,7 <b>In</b> 115	50 1,8 <b>Sn</b> 119	51 1,9 <b>Sb</b> 122	52 2,1 <b>Te</b> 128	53 2,5 <b>I</b> 127	54 <b>Xe</b> 131
55 0,7 <b>Cs</b> 133	56 0,9 <b>Ba</b> 137	57 <b>La</b> 139	72 1,6 <b>Hf</b> 179	73 <b>Ta</b> 181	74 <b>W</b> 184	75 <b>Re</b> 186	76 <b>Os</b> 190	77 <b>Ir</b> 192	78 <b>Pt</b> 195	79 <b>Au</b> 197	80 <b>Hg</b> 201	81 1,8 <b>Tl</b> 204	82 1,8 <b>Pb</b> 207	83 1,9 <b>Bi</b> 209	84 2,0 <b>Po</b>	85 2,5 <b>At</b>	86 <b>Rn</b>
87 0,7 <b>Fr</b>	88 0,9 <b>Ra</b> 226	89 <b>Ac</b>															
58 <b>Ce</b> 140	59 <b>Pr</b> 141	60 <b>Nd</b> 144	61 <b>Pm</b>	62 <b>Sm</b> 150	63 <b>Eu</b> 152	64 <b>Gd</b> 157	65 <b>Tb</b> 159	66 <b>Dy</b> 163	67 <b>Ho</b> 165	68 <b>Er</b> 167	69 <b>Tm</b> 169	70 <b>Yb</b> 173	71 <b>Lu</b> 175				
90 <b>Th</b> 232	91 <b>Pa</b>	92 <b>U</b> 238	93 <b>Np</b>	94 <b>Pu</b>	95 <b>Am</b>	96 <b>Cm</b>	97 <b>Bk</b>	98 <b>Cf</b>	99 <b>Es</b>	100 <b>Fm</b>	101 <b>Md</b>	102 <b>No</b>	103 <b>Lr</b>				

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Atomic number

Atoomgetal

Electronegativity

Elektronegatiwiteit

Symbol

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**TABLE 4A: STANDARD REDUCTION POTENTIALS**  
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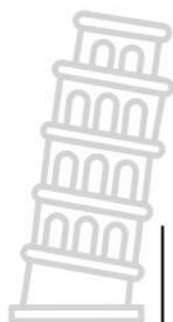
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Half-reactions/Halfreaksies	$E^{\theta}$ (V)
$F_2(g) + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons 2F^-$	+ 2,87
$Co^{3+} + e^- \rightleftharpoons Co^{2+}$	+ 1,81
$H_2O_2 + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons 2H_2O$	+1,77
$MnO_4^- + 8H^+ + 5e^- \rightleftharpoons Mn^{2+} + 4H_2O$	+ 1,51
$Cl_2(g) + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons 2Cl^-$	+ 1,36
$Cr_2O_7^{2-} + 14H^+ + 6e^- \rightleftharpoons 2Cr^{3+} + 7H_2O$	+ 1,33
$O_2(g) + 4H^+ + 4e^- \rightleftharpoons 2H_2O$	+ 1,23
$MnO_2 + 4H^+ + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Mn^{2+} + 2H_2O$	+ 1,23
$Pt^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Pt$	+ 1,20
$Br_2(l) + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons 2Br^-$	+ 1,07
$NO_3^- + 4H^+ + 3e^- \rightleftharpoons NO(g) + 2H_2O$	+ 0,96
$Hg^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Hg(l)$	+ 0,85
$Ag^+ + e^- \rightleftharpoons Ag$	+ 0,80
$NO_3^- + 2H^+ + e^- \rightleftharpoons NO_2(g) + H_2O$	+ 0,80
$Fe^{3+} + e^- \rightleftharpoons Fe^{2+}$	+ 0,77
$O_2(g) + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons H_2O_2$	+ 0,68
$I_2 + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons 2I^-$	+ 0,54
$Cu^+ + e^- \rightleftharpoons Cu$	+ 0,52
$SO_2 + 4H^+ + 4e^- \rightleftharpoons S + 2H_2O$	+ 0,45
$2H_2O + O_2 + 4e^- \rightleftharpoons 4OH^-$	+ 0,40
$Cu^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Cu$	+ 0,34
$SO_4^{2-} + 4H^+ + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons SO_2(g) + 2H_2O$	+ 0,17
$Cu^{2+} + e^- \rightleftharpoons Cu^+$	+ 0,16
$Sn^{4+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Sn^{2+}$	+ 0,15
$S + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons H_2S(g)$	+ 0,14
<b><math>2H^+ + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons H_2(g)</math></b>	<b>0,00</b>
$Fe^{3+} + 3e^- \rightleftharpoons Fe$	- 0,06
$Pb^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Pb$	- 0,13
$Sn^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Sn$	- 0,14
$Ni^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Ni$	- 0,27
$Co^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Co$	- 0,28
$Cd^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Cd$	- 0,40
$Cr^{3+} + e^- \rightleftharpoons Cr^{2+}$	- 0,41
$Fe^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Fe$	- 0,44
$Cr^{3+} + 3e^- \rightleftharpoons Cr$	- 0,74
$Zn^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Zn$	- 0,76
$2H_2O + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons H_2(g) + 2OH^-$	- 0,83
$Cr^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Cr$	- 0,91
$Mn^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Mn$	- 1,18
$Al^{3+} + 3e^- \rightleftharpoons Al$	- 1,66
$Mg^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Mg$	- 2,36
$Na^+ + e^- \rightleftharpoons Na$	- 2,71
$Ca^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Ca$	- 2,87
$Sr^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Sr$	- 2,89
$Ba^{2+} + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Ba$	- 2,90
$Cs^+ + e^- \rightleftharpoons Cs$	- 2,92
$K^+ + e^- \rightleftharpoons K$	- 2,93
$Li^+ + e^- \rightleftharpoons Li$	- 3,05

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TABLE 4B: STANDARD REDUCTION POTENTIALS  
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Half-reactions/Halfreaksies	$E^{\theta}$ (V)
$\text{Li}^{+} + \text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Li}$	-3,05
$\text{K}^{+} + \text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{K}$	-2,93
$\text{Cs}^{+} + \text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Cs}$	-2,92
$\text{Ba}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ba}$	-2,90
$\text{Sr}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Sr}$	-2,89
$\text{Ca}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ca}$	-2,87
$\text{Na}^{+} + \text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Na}$	-2,71
$\text{Mg}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Mg}$	-2,36
$\text{Al}^{3+} + 3\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Al}$	-1,66
$\text{Mn}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Mn}$	-1,18
$\text{Cr}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Cr}$	-0,91
$2\text{H}_2\text{O} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_2(\text{g}) + 2\text{OH}^{-}$	-0,83
$\text{Zn}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Zn}$	-0,76
$\text{Cr}^{3+} + 3\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Cr}$	-0,74
$\text{Fe}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}$	-0,44
$\text{Cr}^{3+} + \text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Cr}^{2+}$	-0,41
$\text{Cd}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Cd}$	-0,40
$\text{Co}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Co}$	-0,28
$\text{Ni}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ni}$	-0,27
$\text{Sn}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Sn}$	-0,14
$\text{Pb}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Pb}$	-0,13
$\text{Fe}^{3+} + 3\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}$	-0,06
$2\text{H}^{+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_2(\text{g})$	0,00
$\text{S} + 2\text{H}^{+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_2\text{S}(\text{g})$	+0,14
$\text{Sn}^{4+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Sn}^{2+}$	+0,15
$\text{Cu}^{2+} + \text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Cu}^{+}$	+0,16
$\text{SO}_4^{2-} + 4\text{H}^{+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{SO}_2(\text{g}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	+0,17
$\text{Cu}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Cu}$	+0,34
$2\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{O}_2 + 4\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons 4\text{OH}^{-}$	+0,40
$\text{SO}_2 + 4\text{H}^{+} + 4\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{S} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	+0,45
$\text{Cu}^{+} + \text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Cu}$	+0,52
$\text{I}_2 + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{I}^{-}$	+0,54
$\text{O}_2(\text{g}) + 2\text{H}^{+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_2\text{O}_2$	+0,68
$\text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}^{2+}$	+0,77
$\text{NO}_3^{-} + 2\text{H}^{+} + \text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{NO}_2(\text{g}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	+0,80
$\text{Ag}^{+} + \text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ag}$	+0,80
$\text{Hg}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Hg}(\ell)$	+0,85
$\text{NO}_3^{-} + 4\text{H}^{+} + 3\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{NO}(\text{g}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	+0,96
$\text{Br}_2(\ell) + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{Br}^{-}$	+1,07
$\text{Pt}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Pt}$	+1,20
$\text{MnO}_2 + 4\text{H}^{+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Mn}^{2+} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	+1,23
$\text{O}_2(\text{g}) + 4\text{H}^{+} + 4\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	+1,23
$\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} + 14\text{H}^{+} + 6\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{Cr}^{3+} + 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$	+1,33
$\text{Cl}_2(\text{g}) + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{Cl}^{-}$	+1,36
$\text{MnO}_4^{-} + 8\text{H}^{+} + 5\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Mn}^{2+} + 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	+1,51
$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + 2\text{H}^{+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	+1,77
$\text{Co}^{3+} + \text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Co}^{2+}$	+1,81
$\text{F}_2(\text{g}) + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{F}^{-}$	+2,87

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### QUESTION 1

- 1.1 C✓✓ (2)
- 1.2 A✓✓ (2)
- 1.3 B✓✓ (2)
- 1.4 A✓✓ (2)
- 1.5 B✓✓ (2)
- 1.6 A✓✓ (2)
- 1.7 A✓✓ remove for Afrikaans due to translation error. (2)
- 1.8 B✓✓ (2)
- 1.9 B✓✓ (2)
- 1.10 D✓✓ (2)

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### QUESTION 2

- 2.1 Chain isomers are compounds with the same molecular formula but different types of chains. ✓✓ (2)
- 2.2.1 C✓ (1)
- 2.2.2 4 – bromo – 2,2 – dimethylpentane✓✓✓

#### Notes:

1. Bromo, dimethyl identified✓
2. Pentane✓
3. Whole structure correct✓

(3)

- 2.2.3 Pent – 1 – ene✓✓

#### Notes:

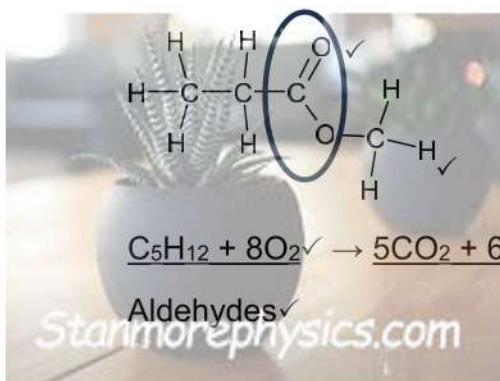
1. Correct functional group✓
2. Whole structure correct✓

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- 2.2.4  $C_nH_{2n}$ ✓

(1)

2.3

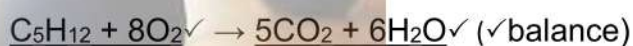


#### Notes:

1. Correct functional group✓
2. Whole structure correct✓

(2)

2.4



(3)

2.5

Aldehydes✓

(1)

2.6



$$20\% \text{ C – atoms in comp. } C = \frac{20}{100} \times 5 \checkmark$$

$$= 1 \checkmark$$

Compound E has 6 C – atoms

$$\therefore x = 6 \checkmark \text{ and } y = 14 \checkmark \text{ OR } (x = 6 \checkmark \checkmark \text{ and } y = 14 \checkmark \checkmark)$$

(4)

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### QUESTION 3

3.1 Melting point is the temperature at which the solid and the liquid phases of a substance are at equilibrium.  $\checkmark \checkmark$  (2)

3.2 As the chain length/molar mass/number of carbon atoms increases, the boiling/melting point increases.  $\checkmark \checkmark$  (2)

3.3 Stronger than.  $\checkmark$  (1)

3.4 Fair.  $\checkmark$  The compounds belong to the same homologous/intermolecular force/functional group/there is only one independent variable.  $\checkmark$  (2)

3.5 Gas.  $\checkmark$  (1)

3.6

- Propane has a longer chain length/larger/ surface area/ bigger molecular size/more carbon atoms than ethane.  $\checkmark$
- Both have London forces/dispersion/dipole-dipole which are stronger between propane molecules than in ethane.  $\checkmark$ /the intermolecular forces of propane are stronger
- More energy is needed to overcome the intermolecular force in propane than in ethane.  $\checkmark$

OR

- Ethane has shorter chain length/smaller surface area/smaller molecular size/less carbon atoms than propane.  $\checkmark$
- Both have London forces/dispersion/dipole-dipole which are weaker between ethane molecules than in propane.  $\checkmark$
- Less energy is needed to overcome the intermolecular forces in ethane than in propane.  $\checkmark$

(3)

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## QUESTION 4

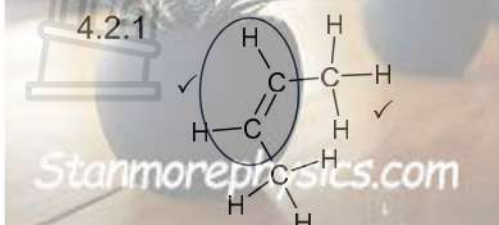
4.1.1 Substitution/hydrolysis✓

(1)

4.1.2 Butan-2-ol✓✓ Accept 2-butanol (1 mark for butanol, 1 mark for position)

(2)

4.2.1



### Notes:

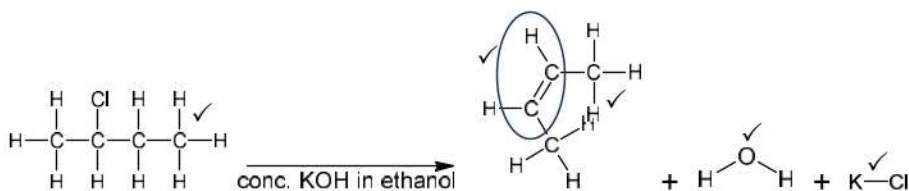
1. Correct functional group✓
2. Whole structure correct✓

(2)

4.2.2 (Strong) Heat✓

(1)

4.3.1



(5)

4.3.2 **Positive marking form 4.3.1**

But-2-ene.✓✓ /Accept 2-Butene (1 mark for butene, 1 mark for position)

(2)

4.4.1 Addition/hydrogenation.✓

(1)

4.4.2 Ni/Pt/Pd/Nickel/Platinum/Palladium.✓

(1)

4.5.1 Cracking is the chemical process in which longer chain hydrocarbon molecules are broken down to shorter more useful molecules.✓✓

(2)

4.5.2 Catalyst (Pt, Pd and Ni).✓

(1)

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### QUESTION 5

5.1 Rate of reaction is the change in concentration of reactants or products per unit time. ✓✓ (2)

5.2 Neutralisation reaction. ✓/Acid-base reaction (1)

5.3 State of division/surface area. ✓ (1)

5.4 Rate of reaction. ✓ (1)

5.5

$$n(\text{CO}_2) = \frac{v}{V_m} \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{53}{22\,400} \checkmark$$

$$= 0,002366 \text{ mol}$$

$$n(\text{HCl}) = \frac{2(0,002366)}{22\,400} \checkmark$$

$$= 0,004732 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{Rate} = \frac{\Delta n}{\Delta t} \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{0,004732}{60} \checkmark$$

$$= 0,0000789 \text{ mol.s}^{-1} / (7,89 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol.s}^{-1}) \checkmark$$

(5)

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## QUESTION 6

6.1.1 Chemical equilibrium is a dynamic equilibrium when the rate of the forward reaction equals to the rate of the reverse reaction. ✓✓ (2)

6.1.2

	SO <sub>2</sub>	O <sub>2</sub>	SO <sub>3</sub>	
Ratio	2	1	2	
Initial amount(mol)	x	0,5	0	
Change	-0,75	-0,375✓	0,75	✓ Ratio
Equilibrium	x - 0,75	0,125✓	0,75	
Concentration	$\frac{x - 0,75}{2}$	0,0625	0,375	✓ ÷ 2

$$K_c = \frac{[SO_3]^2}{[SO_2]^2[O_2]} \checkmark$$

$$10 \checkmark = \frac{(0,375)^2}{\left(\frac{x-0,75}{2}\right)^2 (0,0625)} \checkmark$$

$$x = 1,70 \text{ mol} \checkmark$$

6.1.3 **Positive marking from 6.1.2**

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

$$1,70 = \frac{m}{64} \checkmark$$

$$\therefore m = 108,8g \checkmark$$

6.2.1 Decreases. ✓

6.2.2 Stays the same. ✓

6.2.3 Decreases. ✓ A decrease in pressure favours the reaction that produces more moles of gas/more volume. ✓ The reverse reaction is favoured. ✓

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# QUESTION 7

7.1 A weak base is a base that ionises/dissociates incompletely in water to form a low concentration of hydroxide ions.✓✓ (2)

7.2 **Option 1:**

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 2 \times 0,02 \checkmark = 0,04 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$$

$$K_w = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] \checkmark$$

$$1 \times 10^{-14} = 0,04 [\text{OH}^-] \checkmark [\text{OH}^-] = 2,5 \times 10^{-13} \text{ mol.dm}^{-3} \checkmark$$

**Option 2:**

$$\text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] \checkmark$$

$$= -\log(0,04) \checkmark$$

$$= 1,398$$

$$\text{pH} + \text{pOH} = 14$$

$$1,398 + \text{pOH} = 14 \checkmark$$

$$\text{pOH} = 12,602$$

$$\text{pOH} = -\log[\text{OH}^-]$$

$$12,602 = -\log[\text{OH}^-]$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 2,50 \times 10^{-13} \text{ mol.dm}^{-3} \checkmark$$

(4)



7.3.1  $n(\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4) = cv$ ✓  
 $= (0,02)(0,025)$ ✓  
 $= 0,0005 \text{ mol}$   
 $n(\text{NH}_3) = 2(0,0005)$ ✓  
 $= 0,001 \text{ mol}$   
 $[\text{NH}_3] \text{ in diluted solution} = \frac{c}{V}$

$$= \frac{0,001}{0,0312}$$
✓  
 $= 0,032051 \text{ mol}$

$$n(\text{NH}_3) \text{ in } 250 \text{ cm}^3 = cv$$

$$= 0,032051 \times 0,25$$
✓

$$= 0,0080128 \text{ mol}$$

$$n(\text{NH}_3) \text{ in } 250 \text{ cm}^3 = n(\text{NH}_3) \text{ in } 20 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ of undiluted solution}$$

$$[\text{NH}_3] = \frac{n}{V}$$

$$= \frac{0,0080128}{0,02}$$
✓

$$= 0,4 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{dm}^{-3}$$
✓

(7)

7.3.2 Below 7✓



(4)

7.4.1 An Ampholyte is a substance that can act as either an acid or a base✓✓

(2)

7.4.2  $\text{HC}_2\text{O}_4^-$ ✓

(1)

7.4.3  $\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$ ✓ and  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ ✓

(2)

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### QUESTION 8

- 8.1 A galvanic cell is a cell in which chemical energy is converted to electrical energy. ✓✓ (2)
- 8.2 Concentration of  $1 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{dm}^{-3}$  ✓  
 Temperature of  $25^\circ\text{C}/298\text{K}$  ✓ (2)
- 8.3.1 Pt ✓ (1)
- 8.3.2 Cr ✓ (1)
- 8.4  $2 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{dm}^{-3}$  ✓ (2)
- 8.5  $3\text{Sn}^{4+} + 2\text{Cr} \longrightarrow 3\text{Sn}^{2+} + 2\text{Cr}^{3+}$  (✓balancing) (3)
- 8.6  $E^\theta_{\text{cell}} = E^\theta_{\text{cathode}} - E^\theta_{\text{anode}}$  ✓  
 $= +0,15 - (-0,74)$  ✓  
 $= +0,89\text{V}$  ✓ (4)
- 8.7 Decreases. ✓ (1)

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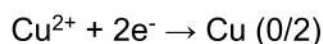
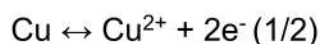
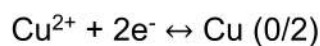
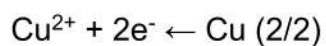
### QUESTION 9

9.1 Electrolysis is the chemical process in which electrical energy is converted to chemical energy.✓✓ (2)

9.2  $\text{Cu} \longrightarrow \text{Cu}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^-$  ✓✓

#### Notes/Notas:

Ignore phases/ignoreer fases



(2)

9.3 Impure copper.✓ (1)

9.4.1 Zinc/Nickel/Zn/Ni.✓ (1)

9.4.2 Zinc/Nickel is a stronger reducing agent✓ than copper.✓ (2)

9.4.3 They will fall to the bottom.✓ (1)

9.5 **mass of copper + impurities = 600 – 390✓**  
**= 210g**  
**mass of pure copper = 320 – 150✓**  
**= 170g**

$$\% \text{ purity} = \frac{170}{210} \times 100 \checkmark$$

$$= 80,95\% \checkmark$$

(4)

9.6 It remains constant.✓ The rate of oxidation of copper is equal to the rate of reduction of copper ions.✓✓ (3)

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**TOTAL: 150**