

**Q8.**

Electrons in copper(II) ions can be excited by the absorption of light with a wavelength of 600 nm.

What is the increase in energy, in J, for each electron excited?

Speed of light, $c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$

Planck's constant, $h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$

- A** 3.98×10^{-40}
- B** 1.33×10^{-39}
- C** 3.32×10^{-28}
- D** 3.32×10^{-19}

(Total 1 mark)

Q9.

A student weighed out a 2.29 g sample of impure $\text{K}_3[\text{Fe}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3] \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and dissolved it in water. This solution was added to a 250 cm³ volumetric flask and made up to 250 cm³ with distilled water.

A 25.0 cm³ portion was pipetted into a conical flask and an excess of acid was added. The mixture was heated to 60°C and titrated with 0.0200 mol dm⁻³ KMnO_4 solution. 26.40 cm³ of KMnO_4 solution were needed for a complete reaction.

In this titration only the $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$ ions react with the KMnO_4 solution.

(a) The reaction between $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$ ions and MnO_4^- ions is autocatalysed.

Explain what is meant by the term autocatalysed and identify the catalyst in the reaction.

(2)



- (b) Select from the list the most suitable substance used to acidify the solution in the conical flask.

Put a tick (✓) in the correct box.

$\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$

H_2SO_4

HCl

HNO_3

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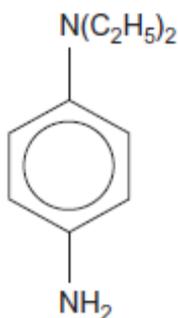
- (c) The reaction between $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$ ions and MnO_4^- ions is very slow at first. Explain why the reaction is initially slow.

(3)

**Q10.**

Chlorine can be found in water. One method for the determination of chlorine in water is to use colorimetry.

A colourless sample of water from a vase of flowers was analysed after the addition of compound Z as the addition of Z resulted in a purple solution.

Compound W

- (a) Calculate the M_r of Compound **W**.

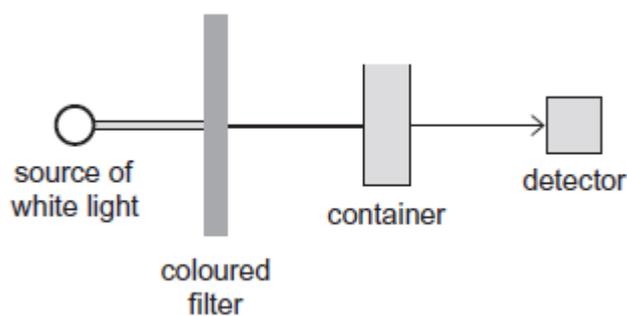
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- (b) Determine the percentage, by mass, of nitrogen in this compound.

(1)



- (c) A simplified diagram of a colorimeter is shown below.



- (i) Suggest why it is important that the container for each sample has the same dimensions.

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- (ii) Suggest why the coloured filter is used.

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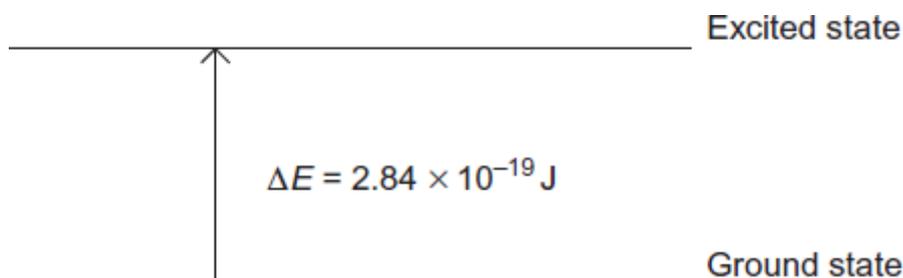
- (iii) Suggest **one** reason why a colorimetric method might be chosen in preference to titration.

(1)

(Total 5 marks)

**Q11.**

This diagram represents the energy change that occurs when a d electron in a transition metal ion is excited by visible light.



- (a) Give the equation that relates the energy change ΔE to the Planck constant h and the frequency of the visible light ν .

Use this equation and the information in the diagram to calculate a value for the frequency of the visible light, and state the units.

The Planck constant $h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$.

Equation _____

Calculation _____

(2)

- (b) Explain why this electron transition causes a solution containing the transition metal ion to be coloured.

(2)



- (c) The energy change shown in the diagram represents the energy of red light and leads to a solution that appears blue.
Blue light has a higher frequency than red light.

Suggest whether the energy change ΔE will be bigger, smaller or the same for a transition metal ion that forms a red solution. Explain your answer.

Energy change _____

Explanation _____

(2)

- (d) State **three** different features of transition metal complexes that cause a change in the value of ΔE , the energy change between the ground state and the excited state of the d electrons.

Feature 1 _____

Feature 2 _____

Feature 3 _____

(3)

(Total 9 marks)

**Q12.**

You may find the following electrode potential data helpful when answering this question.

Electrode half-equation	E^\ominus / V
$\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}(\text{aq}) + 14\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + 6\text{e}^- \longrightarrow 2\text{Cr}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + 7\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$	+1.33
$\text{O}_2(\text{g}) + 4\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + 4\text{e}^- \longrightarrow 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$	+1.23
$\text{Cr}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + \text{e}^- \longrightarrow \text{Cr}^{2+}(\text{aq})$	-0.44
$\text{Zn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^- \longrightarrow \text{Zn}(\text{s})$	-0.76
$\text{Cr}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^- \longrightarrow \text{Cr}(\text{s})$	-0.91

- (a) Describe the colour changes that you would observe when an excess of zinc is added to an acidified solution of potassium dichromate(VI) in the absence of air.

For each colour change, identify the coloured ions responsible and write an equation for each reaction that occurs with zinc.

In the equations, you should represent the ions in their simplest form, for example Cr^{3+} .

(5)



- (b) Describe what you would observe when dilute aqueous sodium hydroxide is added, dropwise until in excess, to a dilute aqueous solution containing chromium(III) ions.

Write **two** equations to illustrate your observations.

In these equations you should give the full formula of each of the complexes, for example $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$.

(4)

- (c) When an aqueous solution containing $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$ ions is warmed in the presence of Cl^- ions, $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5\text{Cl}]^{2+}$ ions are formed and the colour of the solution changes.

Name this type of reaction.

Suggest, in terms of electrons, why the colours of the complex ions are different.

(3)



- (b) A flue-gas desulfurisation process involves the oxidation, by oxygen, of aqueous sulfate(IV) ions (SO_3^{2-}) into aqueous sulfate(VI) ions (SO_4^{2-}). This reaction is catalysed by Co^{2+} ions in an acidic aqueous solution.

Write an equation for the overall reaction of sulfate(IV) ions with oxygen to form sulfate(VI) ions.

Suggest why this overall reaction is faster in the presence of Co^{2+} ions.

Suggest a mechanism for the catalysed reaction by writing **two** equations involving Co^{2+} and Co^{3+} ions. You will need to use H^+ ions and H_2O to balance these two equations.

(4)

(Total 16 marks)



Mark Scheme

Q7.

- (a) Multidentate – EDTA can form many / six dative bonds with central cation. 1
- Ligand – lone pair (on N or O of EDTA) can form dative bond with copper(II) ions. 1
- 6 circles drawn on EDTA⁴⁻ structure – 2 × N and 4 × -O 1
- (b) Calibrate a colorimeter / produce a calibration curve. 1
- By testing the colorimeter with solutions of copper-EDTA complex of known concentration. 1
- Add excess EDTA salt to the sample. 1
- (c) $[\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+} + \text{EDTA}^{4-} \rightarrow [\text{Cu}(\text{EDTA})]^{2-} + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ 1
- Amount of copper(II) = $(25.0 \times 7.56 \times 10^{-5}) / 1000 = 1.89 \times 10^{-6}$ mol 1
- Volume of EDTA⁴⁻ = $(1.89 \times 10^{-6} / 0.001) \times 1000 = 1.89$ cm³ 1
- This is too small to be accurate. 1
- Dilute the EDTA⁴⁻ solution / use larger volume of river water. 1
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Q8.

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Q9.

- (a) A reaction that produces its own catalyst/ one of the products is the catalyst 1
- Mn²⁺ 1
- Allow Mn³⁺*
- (b) H₂SO₄ 1
- (c) There is no/very little catalyst at the start OR the reaction only



- speeds up when the catalyst is produced 1
- Two negative ions (MnO_4^- and $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$) repel
Reference to molecules loses M2 1
- The activation energy for the reaction is high / heat is required to overcome the activation energy 1
- (d) M1 $5 \text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}(\text{aq}) + 2 \text{MnO}_4^-(\text{aq}) + 16 \text{H}^+(\text{aq}) \rightarrow$
 $10 \text{CO}_2(\text{g}) + 2 \text{Mn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 8 \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$
Ignore state symbols 1
- M2 $n(\text{MnO}_4^-) = \frac{26.40 \times 0.02}{1000}$ OR $n(\text{MnO}_4^-) = 5.28 \times 10^{-4}$ 1
- M3 $n(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}) = \frac{5}{2} \times 5.28 \times 10^{-4} = 1.32 \times 10^{-3}$
M3 is for M2 $\times 5/2$
If wrong ratio used then can only score M2, M4, M5 and M6 1
- M4 $n(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-} \text{ in flask originally}) = 1.32 \times 10^{-3} \times 10 = 1.32 \times 10^{-2}$
M4 is for M3 $\times 10$ 1
- M5 $n(\text{K}_3[\text{Fe}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3] \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}) = \frac{1.32 \times 10^{-2}}{3} = 4.40 \times 10^{-3}$
(Mr $\text{K}_3[\text{Fe}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3] \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O} = 491.1$)
M5 is for M4 $\div 3$ 1
- M6 Mass of $\text{K}_3[\text{Fe}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3] \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ reacted = $4.40 \times 10^{-3} \times 491.1 = 2.16 \text{ g}$
M6 is for M5 $\times 491(.1)$ 1
- M7 % purity = $\frac{2.16}{2.29} \times 100 = \underline{94.3 \text{ or } 94.4\%}$
Answer must be to 3 s.f.
Correct answer scores 6 marks; mark equation separately
Alternative method using ratio by moles:
M5 $n(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}) = 4.66 \times 10^{-3} \times 3 = 0.0140$ moles in 250cm^3
M6 $n(\text{complex}) = 2.29/491.1 = 4.66 \times 10^{-3}$ moles in 250cm^3
M7 % = $0.0132/0.0140 \times 100 = \underline{94.3 \text{ or } 94.4\%}$ 1
- (e) Make some known concentrations (of the coloured solution and



- read the absorbance of each one using a colorimeter)
Ignore addition of suitable ligand 1
- Plot a graph of absorbance vs concentration
Not just "plot a calibration curve" / reference to Beer-Lambert graph is insufficient
Do not allow transmittance in M2 1
- Read/compare unknown concentration from calibration curve/graph (and hence the concentration from the graph)
M3 can only be scored if graph/curve mentioned 1 [16]

Q10.

- (a) 164.0
Must be 1 decimal place 1
- (b) 17.1(%) (= $28.0 \times 100 / Qa$)
Consequential on their (a)
Ignore precision but must be to at least 2 sig fig.
(i.e. accept 17 or 17.07) 1
- (c) (i) Absorption depends on (proportional to) path length / distance travelled through solution
Do not allow size. 1
- (ii) To select the colour / frequency / wavelength that is (most strongly) absorbed (by the sample)
Allow the filter is chosen to complement the colour of the solution 1
- (iii) Quicker to analyse extracted samples than by titration / uses smaller volumes of solution 1
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Q11.

- (a) $\Delta E = hv$
Allow = hf 1
- $v = \Delta E / h = 2.84 \times 10^{-19} / 6.63 \times 10^{-34} = 4.28 \times 10^{14} \text{ s}^{-1} / \text{Hz}$
Allow $4.3 \times 10^{14} \text{ s}^{-1} / \text{Hz}$
Answer must be in the range:
 $4.28 - 4.30 \times 10^{14}$ 1



- (b) (One colour of) light is absorbed (to excite the electron)
If light emitted, CE = 0 1

The remaining colour / frequency / wavelength / energy is transmitted (through the solution)

Allow light reflected is the colour that we see. 1

- (c) Bigger 1

Blue light would be absorbed

OR light that has greater energy than red light would be absorbed

OR higher frequency (of light absorbed / blue light) leads to higher ΔE

Can only score M2 if M1 is correct. 1

- (d) Any **three** from:
- (Identity of the) metal
 - Charge (on the metal) / oxidation state / charge on complex
 - (Identity of the) ligands
 - Co-ordination number / number of ligands
 - Shape
- 3 max

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Q12.

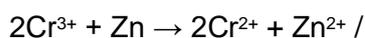
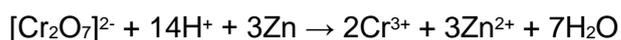
- (a) Orange dichromate
Allow max 2 for three correct colours not identified to species but in correct order 1

Changes to purple / green / ruby / red-violet / violet Chromium(III)
 (Note green complex can be $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5\text{Cl}]^{2+}$ etc)

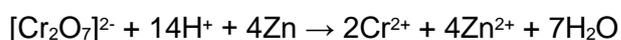
Do not allow green with another colour 1

That changes further to blue Chromium(II)

Allow max 1 for two correct colours not identified but in correct order 1



Ignore any further reduction of Cr^{2+} 1



Ignore additional steps e.g. formation of CrO_4^{2-} 1

- (b) Green precipitate



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(Dissolves to form a) green solution <i>Solution can be implied if 'dissolves' is stated</i>	1
$[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} + 3\text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3(\text{OH})_3 + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ <i>Penalise $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$ once only</i>	1
$\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3(\text{OH})_3 + 3\text{OH}^- \rightarrow [\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_6]^{3-} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ <i>Allow $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} + 6\text{OH}^- \rightarrow [\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_6]^{3-} + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ Allow formation of $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2(\text{OH})_4]^-$ and $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})(\text{OH})_5]^{2-}$ in balanced equations Ignore state symbols, mark independently</i>	1
(c) (ligand) substitution / replacement / exchange <i>Allow nucleophilic substitution</i>	1
The energy levels/gaps of the <u>d</u> electrons are <u>different</u> (for each complex) <i>Ignore any reference to emission of light</i>	1
So a <u>different</u> wavelength/frequency/colour/energy of light is absorbed (when d electrons are excited)	
OR light is absorbed and a different wavelength/frequency/colour/energy (of light) is transmitted/reflected	1
(d) $E_{\text{O}_2} (/ \text{H}_2\text{O}) > E_{\text{Cr}^{3+}} (/ \text{Cr}^{2+}) / \text{e.m.f} = 1.67 \text{ V}$ <i>Allow $E(\text{cell}) = 1.67$</i>	1
So Cr^{2+} ions are oxidised by oxygen/air <i>Allow any equation of the form: $\text{Cr}^{2+} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{Cr}^{3+}$</i>	1
With $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ get CrCO_3 <i>If named must be chromium(II) carbonate</i>	1
with $[\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$ get $\text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3(\text{OH})_3 / \text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$ <i>Allow 0 to 3 waters in the complex</i>	1
and CO_2 <i>Can score M3, M4, M5 in equations even if unbalanced</i>	1
$\text{Cr}(\text{III})$ differs from $\text{Cr}(\text{II})$ because it is acidic / forms H^+ ions	1



because Cr^{3+} ion polarises water

Ignore charge/size ratio and mass/charge

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Q13.

- (a) For reactions 1 to 3 must show complex ions as reactants and products
Take care to look for possible identification on flow chart

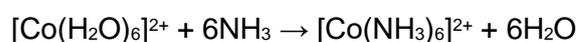
Reaction 1

ammonia solution

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W is $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{2+}$

1



Correct equation scores all 3 marks

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Reaction 2

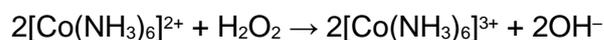
Allow oxygen, Do not allow air

H_2O_2

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X is $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$

1



Allow $2[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{2+} + \frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+} + 2\text{OH}^-$

Correct equations score all 3 marks

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Reaction 3

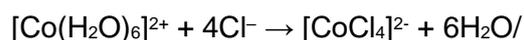
HCl

Do not allow Cl⁻ but mark on

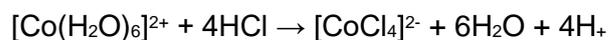
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Y is $[\text{CoCl}_4]^{2-}$

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Correct equation scores previous mark



This equation scores all three marks

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Reaction 4

Na_2CO_3 Or NaOH/ NH_3

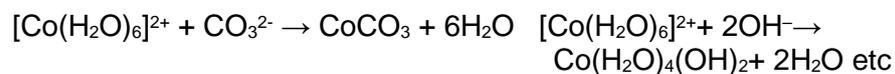


Do not allow CaCO₃ as a reagent but mark on

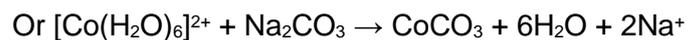
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Z is CoCO₃ Co(OH)₂/Co(H₂O)₄(OH)₂

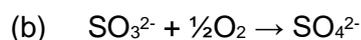
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Allow waters to stay co-ordinated to Co. This mark also previous mark



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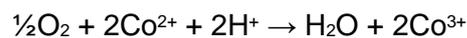
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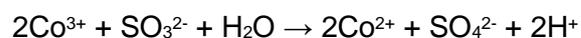
The activation energy is lower (for the catalysed route)

Or Co^{3+} attracts SO_3^{2-} / Co^{2+} attracts SO_3^{2-} / oppositely charged ions attract

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Allow these equations in either order

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