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Level 3 Chemistry 2024

91390 Demonstrate understanding of thermochemical principles and the properties of particles and substances

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Demonstrate understanding of thermochemical principles and the properties of particles and substances.	Demonstrate in-depth understanding of thermochemical principles and the properties of particles and substances.	Demonstrate comprehensive understanding of thermochemical principles and the properties of particles and substances.

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You should attempt ALL the questions in this booklet.

A periodic table and other reference material are provided in the Resource Booklet L3–CHEMR.

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QUESTION ONE

(a) Complete the table below.

	PF ₅	SeCl ₄ ^{2–}
Lewis structure		
Shape		

(b) (i) The reaction between chlorine trifluoride, $ClF_3(g)$, and hydrazine, $N_2H_4(\ell)$, is explosive. It was investigated as a potential rocket fuel. The reaction is shown below.

 $4\mathrm{ClF}_3(g) + 3\mathrm{N}_2\mathrm{H}_4(\ell) \rightarrow 12\mathrm{HF}(g) + 3\mathrm{N}_2(g) + 2\mathrm{Cl}_2(g)$

Calculate $\Delta_r H^\circ$ for the reaction, given the following data.

$\mathrm{N_2H_4}(\ell) + \mathrm{O_2}(g) \longrightarrow \mathrm{N_2}(g) + 2\mathrm{H_2O}(\ell)$	$\Delta_{\rm r} H^{\circ} = -623 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$
$2\mathrm{ClF}_3(g) + 2\mathrm{NH}_3(g) \to 6\mathrm{HF}(g) + \mathrm{N}_2(g) + \mathrm{Cl}_2(g)$	$\Delta_{\rm r} H^{\circ} = -1200 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$
$4\mathrm{NH}_3(g) + 3\mathrm{O}_2(g) \rightarrow 2\mathrm{N}_2(g) + 6\mathrm{H}_2\mathrm{O}(g)$	$\Delta_{\rm r} H^{\circ} = -1270 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$
$\mathrm{H_2O}(\ell) \to \mathrm{H_2O}(g)$	$\Delta_{vap}H^{\circ} = 40.7 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

(ii) Justify, in terms of the entropy changes of the system and the surroundings, why the reaction between chlorine trifluoride and hydrazine is spontaneous. $4\text{ClF}_3(g) + 3\text{N}_2\text{H}_4(\ell) \rightarrow 12\text{HF}(g) + 3\text{N}_2(g) + 2\text{Cl}_2(g)$

QUESTION TWO

(a) (i) The table below gives the electron configurations of three elements.

Argon, Ar	Neon, Ne	Phosphorus, P
$1s^22s^22p^63s^23p^6$	$1s^22s^22p^6$	$1s^22s^22p^63s^23p^3$

When considering the 3p⁶ part of the electron configuration of argon, what is represented by the following?



(ii) Arrange the three elements Ar, Ne, and P, in order of decreasing first ionisation energy. Use your knowledge of periodic trends to justify your order.



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)	The two possible shapes of bromine trichloride, BrCl ₃ , are T-shaped and trigonal planar. Both
	of these shapes are based on the trigonal bipyramidal arrangement of electron pairs around the
	central atom.

Research shows that the BrCl₃ molecule is polar.

Compare the two possible shapes of the BrCl₃ molecule to identify which shape would result in the BrCl₃ molecule being polar.

Your answer should refer to bond polarity and the arrangement of the bond dipoles.

QUESTION THREE

(a) (i) Identify all the types of attractive forces between particles of the following substances in their liquid state in the table below.

Substance	Boiling point / °C	Attractive forces
Ammonia, NH ₃	-33	
Sulfur dioxide, SO ₂	-10	
Pentane, CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃	36	

(ii) Explain the difference in the boiling points of ammonia and sulfur dioxide.

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(iii) Explain why the boiling point of pentane is higher than that of sulfur dioxide.

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(b) The enthalpy of combustion of ethanol, C_2H_5OH , was determined experimentally using the apparatus below. The ethanol was completely combusted to heat some water in a beaker.



The following data was recorded:

- initial water temperature = $22.1 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- final water temperature = 31.2 °C
- initial mass of burner and ethanol = 59.2 g
- final mass of burner and ethanol = 58.7 g

The student calculated the experimental enthalpy change for the combustion of liquid ethanol, $\Delta_c H(C_2H_5OH(\ell))$, to be -770 kJ mol^{-1} .

The specific heat capacity of water is 4.18 J g^{-1} °C⁻¹.

 $M(C_2H_5OH) = 46.0 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$

(i) Use the information provided to calculate the mass of the water that was in the beaker.

(ii) Which of these quantities calculated would have been a source of error in the calculated enthalpy value?

Circle your answer.

temperature change of water	mass of fuel combusted
Explain your choice.	

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