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DULWICH COLLEGE

UPPER SCHOOL

CHEMISTRY ENTRANCE TEST

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75 minutes

Instructions

- Answer all the questions in the spaces provided. Remember to put your name and school at the top of this page.
- Use black ink (but pencil for any graphs). A calculator may be required.
- A Periodic Table (containing all the required relative atomic masses etc.) is provided at the back of this test. You may detach it if you wish.
- Show **all** of your working in any calculations.
- The number of marks for each question is indicated at the end of that question.

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Give the electronic configuration of a calcium atom.

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(b) If calcium metal is heated strongly in a stream of nitrogen gas, the compound calcium nitride is formed.

(i) Draw a dot-and-cross diagram to show the bonding in calcium nitride. *Only the outer shell electrons need to be shown.*

[4]

(ii) Give a fully balanced symbol equation to represent this reaction.

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(iii) Molten calcium nitride conducts electricity. However, solid calcium nitride does not. Explain this observation.

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(c) Calcium metal reacts readily with cold water. However, magnesium metal (also in Group 2) only reacts with water in the form of steam.

By comparing their electronic structures, explain why magnesium is less reactive than calcium.

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13 marks

aqueous hydrochloric acid was added to calcium carbonate in a conical flask placed on a balance. The following reaction took place:



The loss in mass of the flask and its contents was recorded for 15 minutes.

Four experiments were carried out:

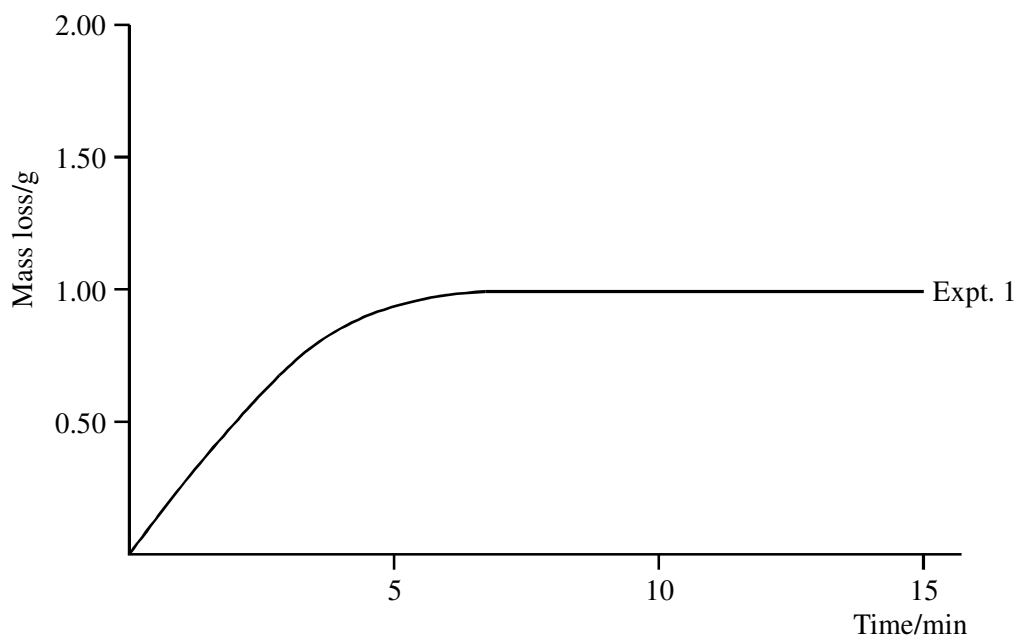
Experiments **1, 3** and **4** were carried out at room temperature (20 °C).

The same mass of calcium carbonate (a large excess) was used in each experiment.

The pieces of calcium carbonate were the same size in experiments **1, 2** and **4**.

Experiment	Calcium carbonate	Hydrochloric acid
1	Small pieces	50.0 cm ³ of 1.00 mol dm ⁻³
2	Small pieces	50.0 cm ³ of 1.00 mol dm ⁻³ heated to 80°C
3	One large piece	50.0 cm ³ of 1.00 mol dm ⁻³
4	Small pieces	50.0 cm ³ of 2.00 mol dm ⁻³

(a) The results of experiment **1** give the curve shown on the graph below.



(i) Explain why there is a loss in mass as the reaction proceeds.

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 [2]

(ii) Explain the shape of the curve drawn for experiment **1**.

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Label the curves 2, 3 and 4.

- (c) (i) Calculate the mass of calcium carbonate which **exactly** reacts with 50.0 cm³ of 1.00 mol dm⁻³ aqueous hydrochloric acid. $M_r(\text{CaCO}_3) = 100$.

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- (ii) Based on your answer to (c)(i) suggest a suitable mass of calcium carbonate to use in the experiments. Explain your answer.

Suggested mass:

Explanation:

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- (d) In a different experiment, the same mass of calcium carbonate, and the same volume of hydrochloric acid are mixed. However, the acid is twice as concentrated. Explain what happens to the reaction rate.

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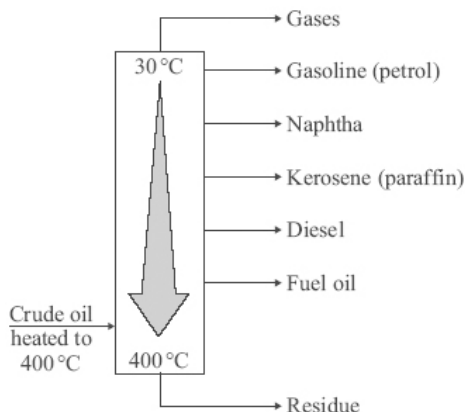
- (e) If the temperature of the acid is increased, the rate of reaction increases. Use collision theory to explain why this happens.

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18 marks

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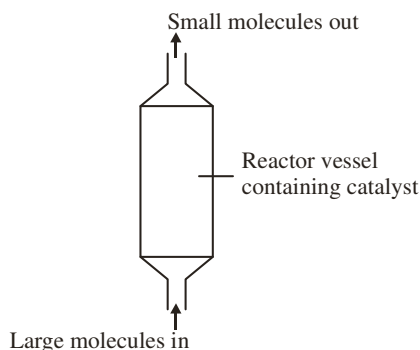


(a) Describe how the naphtha fraction separates from the other fractions.

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(b) The naphtha fraction is often used to make other useful materials. This involves the **cracking** of hydrocarbons in the naphtha fraction.



(i) Cracking involves a thermal decomposition reaction.

Define the term **thermal decomposition**.

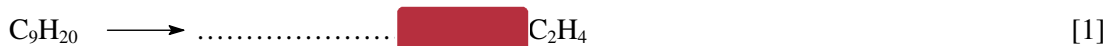
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(ii) Suggest why air must be excluded from the reactor vessel.

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(iii) In the reactor vessel, a nonane (C_9H_{20}) molecule is split into two smaller molecules.

Complete the equation for this reaction by adding the missing formula.



bonding in ethene.

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- (v) Bromine water can be used to distinguish between the two products from the cracking reaction in (c) (i) above.

Describe what you would see when each molecule is shaken (separately) with bromine water.

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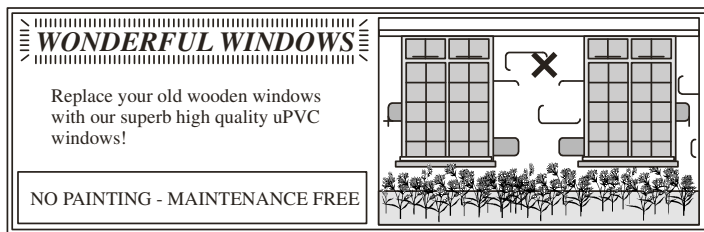
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- (d) Small molecules such as ethene can be joined together to make long-chained polymers.



Modern window frames are often made from uPVC plastic which contains the *polymer* called poly(chloroethene).

- (i) State why plastic window frames need no painting or maintenance.

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- (ii) Name the monomer that is used to make poly(chloroethene).

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- (iii) Draw a line diagram to show the repeating unit in poly(chloroethene).

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- (iv) Describe **one** environmental hazard with plastics such as poly(chloroethene).

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are two possible bromides that can form – depending on the proportions of phosphorus and bromine in the reacting mixture.

If excess bromine is used, the molecule formed contains 7.19% phosphorus and 92.81% bromine (by mass).

(a) (i) What is the empirical formula of this compound?

[4]

(ii) Write a balanced symbol equation for this reaction.

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(b) Under different conditions, phosphorus tribromide (PBr_3) can be produced.

(i) Draw a dot-and-cross diagram to show the bonding in a molecule of phosphorus tribromide. *Only the outer shell electrons need to be shown.*

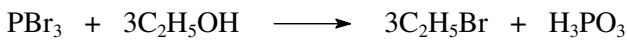
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(ii) Phosphorus tribromide has melting point of $-41.5\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. By describing its structure and bonding, explain why its melting point is relatively low.

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where it replaces an OH group with a bromine atom to produce an alkyl bromide. (Alkyl bromide compounds are very useful for synthesising other organic molecules.)



What mass of phosphorus tribromide is needed to make 90 tonnes of bromoethane (C_2H_5Br)?
Give your answer (in tonnes) to 3 significant figures. [1 tonne = 1000 kg]

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 [3]

(iv) In practice, the mass of phosphorus tribromide calculated above only generates 67 tonnes of bromoethane. What percentage yield is this?

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15 marks

5. Aluminium metal is manufactured by a process in which purified bauxite, dissolved in molten cryolite, is electrolysed at 800 °C. Graphite electrodes and a current of about 120 000 amperes are used.

(a) (i) Give the **ionic equations** for the reactions taking place at each electrode.

Anode: [1]

Cathode: [1]

(ii) State which of these reactions is an oxidation process.

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(iii) Explain why the anodes need to be replaced frequently.

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 [2]



(i) Explain why, despite this high cost, aluminium is manufactured in large quantities

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(ii) Give **two reasons** why it is worthwhile to recycle aluminium.

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(c) Aluminium is relatively high in the reactivity series and yet it tends to react much more slowly than expected. Why is this?

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10 marks

TOTAL: 75 MARKS

THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTIONS

NOW GO BACK AND CHECK YOUR ANSWERS



THE PERIODIC TABLE

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Group

Period

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1	H Hydrogen 1
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3	Li Lithium 7
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4	Be Beryllium 9
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11	Na Sodium 23
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12	Mg Magnesium 24
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19	K Potassium 39
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20	Ca Calcium 40
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21	Sc Scandium 45
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22	Ti Titanium 48
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23	V Vanadium 51
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24	Cr Chromium 52
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25	Mn Manganese 55
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26	Fe Iron 56
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27	Co Cobalt 59
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28	Ni Nickel 59
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29	Cu Copper 63.5
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30	Zn Zinc 65.4
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31	Ga Gallium 70
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37	Rb Rubidium 85
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38	Sr Strontium 88
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39	Y Yttrium 89
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40	Zr Zirconium 91
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41	Nb Niobium 93
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42	Mo Molybdenum 96
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43	Tc Technetium (99)
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44	Ru Ruthenium 101
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45	Rh Rhodium 103
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46	Pd Palladium 106
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47	Ag Silver 108
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48	Cd Cadmium 112
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49	In Indium 115
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50	Sn Tin 119
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51	Sb Antimony 122
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52	Te Tellurium 128
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53	I Iodine 127
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54	Xe Xenon 131
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55	Cs Caesium 133
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56	Ba Barium 137
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57	La Lanthanum 139
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72	Hf Hafnium 178
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73	Ta Tantalum 181
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74	W Tungsten 184
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75	Re Rhenium 186
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76	Os Osmium 190
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77	Ir Iridium 192
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78	Pt Platinum 195
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79	Au Gold 197
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80	Hg Mercury 201
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81	Tl Thallium 204
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82	Pb Lead 207
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83	Bi Bismuth 209
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84	Po Polonium (210)
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85	At Astatine (210)
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86	Rn Radon (222)
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87	Fr Francium (223)
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88	Ra Radium (226)
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89	Ac Actinium (227)
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104	Unq Unnilquadium (261)
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105	Unp Unnilpentium (262)
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106	Unh Unnilhexium (263)
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108	Os Osmium 190
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109	Hs Hassium 210
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112	Cn Copernicium (285)
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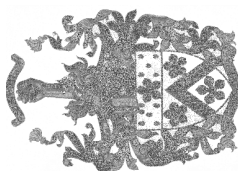
114	Fl Flerovium (287)
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115	Mc Moscovium (288)
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116	Lv Livermorium (293)
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117	Ts Tennessine (294)
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Key

Atomic Number
Symbol
Name
Molar mass in
g mol⁻¹

2	He Helium 4
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▶ Lanthanide elements

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