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Chemistry

CHEM1 Foundation Chemistry
Mark scheme

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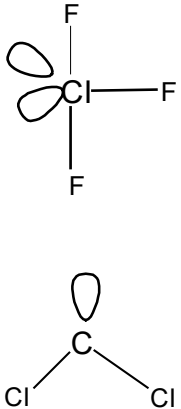
Version 1 – Final Mark Scheme

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| Question | Marking Guidance | Mark | Comments |
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| 1(a) | <p>Silicon / Si</p> <p><u>covalent</u> (bonds)</p> <p>Strong or many of the (covalent) bonds need to be <u>broken</u> / needs a lot of energy to <u>break</u> the (covalent) bonds</p> | <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> | <p>If not silicon then CE = 0/3</p> <p>M3 dependent on correct M2</p> <p>Ignore hard to break</p> |
| 1(b) | <p>Argon / Ar</p> <p>Large(st) number of protons / large(st) nuclear charge</p> <p>Same amount of shielding / same number of shells / same number of energy levels</p> | <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> | <p>If not argon then CE = 0/3. But if Kr chosen, lose M1 and allow M2+M3</p> <p>Ignore smallest atomic radius</p> <p>Allow similar shielding</p> |
| 1(c) | Chlorine / Cl | 1 | Not Cl ₂ , Not CL , not Cl ² |

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| 1(d)(i) |  | 1 | Or any structure with 3 bonds and 2 lone pairs Ignore any angles shown |
| 1(d)(ii) | Bent / v shape | 1 | Ignore non-linear, angular and triangular Apply list principle |
| 1(d)(iii) | $\frac{1}{2}\text{Cl}_2 + \frac{3}{2}\text{F}_2 \longrightarrow \text{ClF}_3$ | 1 | No multiples Ignore state symbols |

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| 2(a) | $5s^2 4d^{10} 5p^4$ / $4d^{10} 5s^2 5p^4$ | 1 | $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 4s^2 3d^{10} 4p^6 5s^2 4d^{10} 5p^4$ or $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^6 4d^{10} 5s^2 5p^4$ Allow any order but must finish with $5p^4$ |
| 2(b)(i) | $\frac{(124 \times 2) + (126 \times 4) + (128 \times 7) + (130 \times 6)}{19}$ or $\frac{2428}{19}$ Or $\frac{(124 \times 10.5) + (126 \times 21.1) + (128 \times 36.8) + (130 \times 31.6)}{100}$ 127.8 | 1 1 1 Or 1 1 1 | M1 for top line M2 for correct denominator 127.8 with no working shown scores 3 marks Mark for 100 dependent on top line correct |
| 2(b)(ii) | Other <u>isotopes</u> present/some <u>isotopes</u> absent /different abundances of <u>isotopes</u> | 1 | |
| 2(c) | $Te^+ + e^{(-)} \rightarrow Te$ | 1 | Ignore state symbols Allow $Te^{2+} + 2e^{(-)} \rightarrow Te$ |

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| 2(d) | 128 | 1 | Only |
| | Most abundant ion (QoL – superlative) | 1 | M2 dependent on correct M1 |
| 2(e) | 2+ ion formed / 2 electrons removed | 1 | Due to $^{128}\text{Te}^{2+} = 2$ marks |
| | From 128 (Te) | 1 | Mark independently |

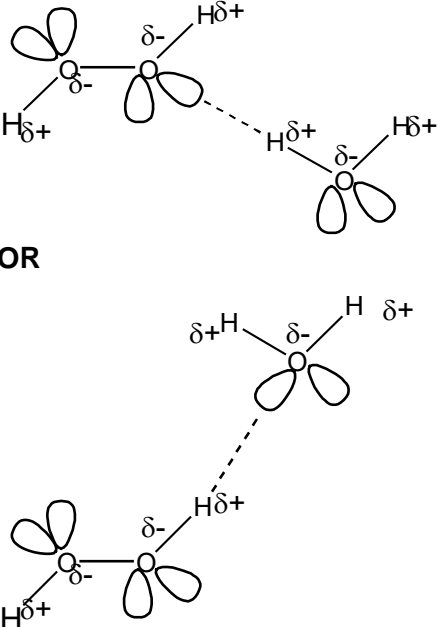
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| 2(f) | Same (Each isotope has the) same number of protons/same nuclear charge <u>and</u> same number of electrons / electronic configuration | 1 | If not same CE = 0/2 |
| | | 1 | Ignore more neutrons in ^{130}Te |

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| 3(a) | Macromolecular / giant covalent / giant molecule | 1 | Not giant atomic |
| 3(b) | No delocalised electrons / no free ions / no free charged particles | 1 | |
| 3(c) | $\text{SiO}_2 + 6\text{HF} \longrightarrow \text{H}_2\text{SiF}_6 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ | 1 | Accept multiples |

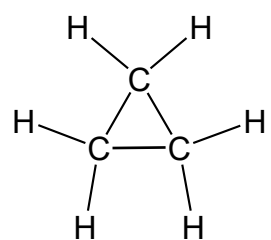
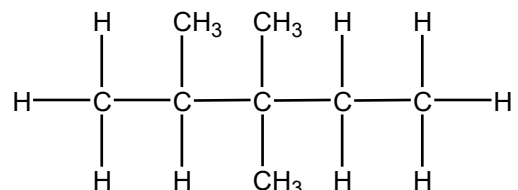
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| 4(a) | <p>0.943 g water (M1)</p> $\frac{\text{NiSO}_4}{1.344} \text{ (M2)} \quad \frac{\text{H}_2\text{O}}{0.943} \text{ (M3)}$ $\frac{1.344}{154.8} \quad \frac{0.943}{18}$ <p>(8.68×10^{-3} 0.052)</p> <p>1 6 or $x = \underline{6}$ (M4)</p> <p>Allow other methods eg</p> $M_r(\text{NiSO}_4) = 58.7 + 32.1 + 64.0 = 154.8$ $n(\text{NiSO}_4) = \frac{1.344}{154.8} = 0.008682 \text{ mol (M1)}$ $M_r(\text{NiSO}_4 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}) = \frac{2.287}{0.008682} = (263.4) \text{ (M2)}$ <p>so $18x = 263.4 - 154.8 = (108.6) \text{ (M3)}$</p> <p>so $x = \frac{108.6}{18} = \underline{6} \text{ (M4)}$</p> | 4 | <p>If Mr of NiSO₄ wrong, can allow M1 and M3 from method 1 i.e. max 2</p> <p>Allow Mr = 155</p> <p>If using alternative method and Mr of NiSO₄ wrong, allow ecf to score M2 and M3 only i.e. max 2</p> |
| 4(b) | <p>re-heat</p> <p>check that mass is unchanged</p> | <p>1</p> <p>1</p> | <p>Heat to constant mass = 2 marks</p> <p>M2 dependent on M1</p> <p>Allow as alternative:</p> |

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| 5(a) | 94–105.5° | 1 | |
| 5(b)(i) | Hydrogen bond(ing) / H bonding/H bonds | 1 | Not just hydrogen |

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| <p>5(b)(ii)</p> |  <p>OR</p> | <p>3</p> | <p>1 mark for all lone pairs</p> <p>1 mark for partial charges on the O and the H that are involved in H bonding</p> <p>1 mark for the H-bond, from Hδ^+ on one molecule to lone pair on O of other molecule</p> |
| <p>5(c)</p> | <p>Electronegativity of S lower than O or electronegativity difference between H and S is lower</p> <p>No hydrogen bonding <u>between H₂S₂ molecules</u></p> <p>Or <u>only</u> van der Waals / <u>only</u> dipole-dipole forces <u>between H₂S₂ molecules</u></p> | <p>1</p> <p>1</p> | <p>Mark independently</p> <p>If breaking covalent bonds CE = 0</p> |

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| 6(a) | Saturated – single bonds only / no double bonds | 1 | |
| | Hydrocarbon – contains carbon and hydrogen (atoms) <u>only</u> | 1 | |
| 6(b) | $C_{16}H_{34} + 16.5O_2 \longrightarrow 16CO + 17H_2O$ | 1 | Allow multiples |
| 6(c) | (On combustion) SO_2 produced | 1 | Allow equation to produce SO_2 . Ignore sulfur oxides. If formula shown it must be correct M2 is dependent on M1. But if M1 is sulfur oxides, allow M2. For M2 allow consequence of acid rain or SO_2 . Ignore greenhouse effect and toxic |
| | Which causes acid rain | 1 | |
| 6(d)(i) | $C_{16}H_{34} \longrightarrow C_8H_{18} + C_2H_4 + 2C_3H_6$ | 1 | Allow multiples |

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| 6(d)(ii) | polypropene / propan(-1 or 2-)ol / propane(-1,2-)diol / isopropanol / propanone / propanal | 1 | Accept alternative names Ignore plastic and polymer |
| 6(d)(iii) |  | 1 | |
| 6(e) |  | 1 | Allow any unambiguous representation |
| 6(f) | 2,4-dichloro-2,4-dimethylhexane | 1 | Only but ignore punctuation |

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| 7(a) | <p>M1 $550 \times \frac{100}{95} = 579 \text{ g}$ would be 100% mass</p> <p>M2 So $\frac{579}{65} = 8.91$ moles NaN_3</p> <p>or</p> <p>M1 $\frac{550}{65} = 8.46$ moles NaN_3 (this is 95%)</p> <p>M2 So 100% would be $8.46 \times \frac{100}{95} = 8.91$ moles NaN_3</p> <p>Then M3 Moles $\text{NaNH}_2 = 8.91 \times 2 = (17.8(2))$ moles</p> <p>M4 mass $\text{NaNH}_2 = 17.8(2) \times 39$</p> <p>M5 <u>693</u> or <u>694</u> or <u>695</u> (g)</p> | <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> | <p>Allow alternative methods. There are 4 process marks:</p> <p>1: mass $\div 65$ 2: mass or moles $\times 100/95$ or $\times 1.05$ 3: moles $\text{NaN}_3 \times 2$ 4: moles $\text{NaNH}_2 \times 39$</p> <p>If 693, 694 or 695 seen to 3 sig figs award 5 marks</p> |

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| 7(b) | <p>M1 308 K and 150 000 Pa</p> <p>M2 $n = \frac{PV}{RT}$ or $\frac{150\,000 \times 7.5 \times 10^{-2}}{8.31 \times 308}$</p> <p>M3 = 4.4(0) or 4.395 moles N₂</p> <p>M4 Moles NaN₃ = 4.395 $\times \frac{2}{3}$ (= 2.93)</p> <p>M5 Mass NaN₃ = (2.93) $\times 65$</p> <p>M6 = 191 g</p> | <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> | <p>Allow only this answer but allow to more than 3 sig figs</p> <p>M4 is for M3 $\times \frac{2}{3}$</p> <p>M5 is for moles M4 $\times 65$</p> <p>Allow 190 to 191 g allow answers to 2 sig figs or more</p> |
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| 7(c)(i) | <p>150/65 = 2.31 moles NaN₃ or 2.31 moles nitrous acid</p> <p>Conc = $2.31 \times \frac{1000}{500}$</p> <p>4.6(1) or 4.6(2) (mol dm⁻³)</p> | 1 1 1 | <p>M2 is for M1 × 1000/500</p> <p>Only this answer</p> |
| 7(c)(ii) | $3\text{HNO}_2 \longrightarrow \text{HNO}_3 + 2\text{NO} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ | 1 | Can allow multiples |
| 7(d) | <p>Ionic</p> <p>Oppositely charged <u>ions</u> / Na⁺ and N₃⁻ ions</p> <p>Strong <u>attraction</u> between (oppositely charged) ions / lots of energy needed to overcome (strong) <u>attractions</u> (between ions)</p> | 1 1 1 | <p>If not ionic then CE = 0/3</p> <p>Penalise incorrect ions here but can allow M3</p> <p>M3 dependent on M2</p> |

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| 7(e)(i) | $\text{N} \equiv \text{N} \rightarrow \text{N}^-$ | 1 | Only |
| 7(e)(ii) | $\text{CO}_2 / \text{N}_2\text{O} / \text{BeF}_2 / \text{HN}_3$ | 1 | Allow other correct molecules |
| 7(e)(iii) | MgN_6 | 1 | Only |

General principles applied to marking CHEM1 papers by CMI+ (June 2015)

It is important to note that the guidance given here is generic and specific variations may be made in the mark scheme.

Basic principles

- Examiners should note that throughout the mark scheme, items that are underlined are required information to gain credit.
- Occasionally a response involves incorrect chemistry and the mark scheme records CE = 0, which means a chemical error has occurred and no credit is given for that section of the clip or for the whole clip.

The “List principle” and the use of “ignore” in the mark scheme

If a question requires **one** answer and a student gives two answers, no mark is scored if one answer is correct and one answer is incorrect. There is no penalty if both answers are correct.

NB Certain answers are designated in the mark scheme as those that the examiner should “Ignore”. These answers are not counted as part of the list and should be ignored and will not be penalised.

Incorrect case for element symbol

The use of an incorrect case for the symbol of an element should be penalised **once only** within a clip.

For example, penalise the use of “h” for hydrogen, “CL” for chlorine or “br” for bromine.

Spelling

In general

- The names of organic chemical compounds and functional groups **must be spelled correctly**, when specifically asked for, to gain credit.
- Phonetic spelling may be acceptable for some chemical compounds (eg amonia would be phonetically acceptable. However, ammoniam would be unacceptable since it is ambiguous).

NB Some terms may be required to be spelled correctly or an idea needs to be articulated with clarity, as part of the “Quality of Language” (**QoL**) marking. These will be identified in the mark scheme and marks are awarded only if the QoL criterion is satisfied.

Equations

In general

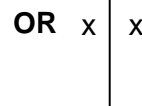
- Equations **must** be balanced.
- State symbols are generally ignored, unless specifically required in the mark scheme.

Lone Pairs

The following representations of lone pairs in structures are acceptable.



with or without the 2 electrons shown **OR**



OR x x



Reagents

The command word “Identify”, allows the candidate to choose to use **either** the name or the formula of a reagent in their answer. In some circumstances, the list principle may apply when the name and formula contradict. Specific details will be given in mark schemes.

Marking calculations

In general

- A correct answer alone will score **full marks** unless the necessity to show working is specifically required in the question.
- If a candidate has made an arithmetical error or a transcription error deduct one mark, but continue marking (error carried forward).

Organic structures

In general

- Displayed formulae must show all of the bonds and all of the atoms in the molecule, but need not show correct bond angles.
- Bonds should be drawn correctly between the relevant atoms.
- Latitude should be given to the representation of C – C bonds in structures, given that CH₃— is considered to be interchangeable with H₃C— even though the latter would be preferred.
- The following representations are allowed:-

