



A-Level Chemistry

Ideal Gas Equation

Question Paper

Time available: 64 minutes

Marks available: 56 marks

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1.

This question is about two experiments on gases.

- (a) In the first experiment, liquid **Y** is injected into a sealed flask under vacuum. The liquid vaporises in the flask.

The table below shows data for this experiment.

Mass of Y	717 mg
Temperature	297 K
Volume of flask	482 cm ³
Pressure inside flask	51.0 kPa

Calculate the relative molecular mass of **Y**.

Show your working.

The gas constant, $R = 8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

Relative molecular mass of **Y** _____

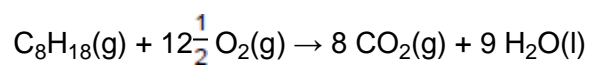
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- (b) In the second experiment, another flask is used for a combustion reaction.

Method

- Remove all the air from the flask.
- Add 0.0010 mol of 2,2,4-trimethylpentane (C_8H_{18}) to the flask.
- Add 0.0200 mol of oxygen to the flask.
- Spark the mixture to ensure complete combustion.
- Cool the mixture to the original temperature.

The equation is



Calculate the amount, in moles, of gas in the flask after the reaction.

Amount of gas _____ mol

(2)

(Total 7 marks)

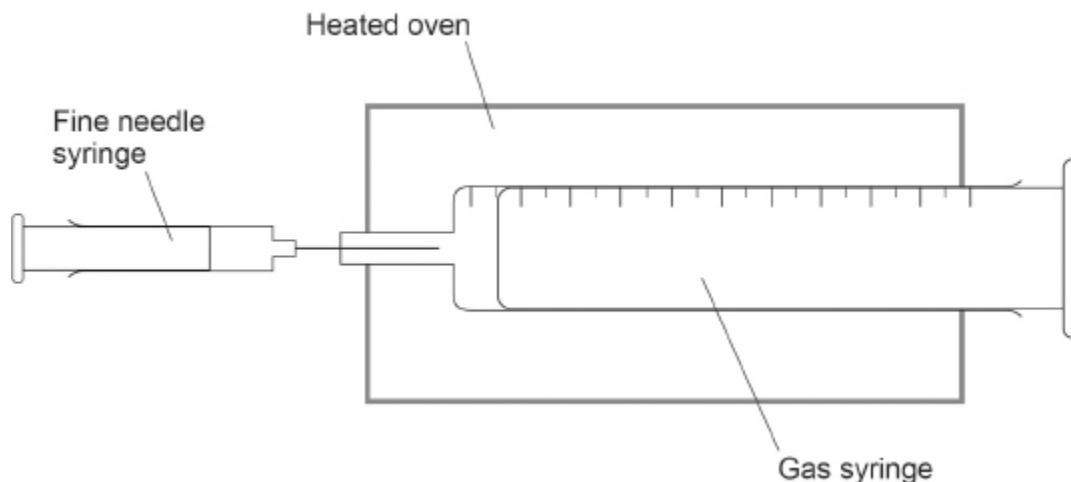
2.

This question is about a volatile liquid, **A**.

- (a) A student does an experiment to determine the relative molecular mass (M_r) of liquid **A** using the apparatus shown in the figure below.

The student injects a sample of **A** into a gas syringe in an oven.

At the temperature of the oven, liquid **A** vaporises.



The table shows the student's results.

Mass of fine needle syringe and contents before injecting	11.295 g
Mass of fine needle syringe and contents after injecting	10.835 g
Volume reading on gas syringe before injecting	0.0 cm ³
Volume reading on gas syringe after injecting	178.0 cm ³
Pressure of gas in syringe	100 kPa
Temperature of oven	120 °C

Calculate the M_r of **A**.

Give your answer to 3 significant figures.

The gas constant, $R = 8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

M_r _____

(4)

- (b) The student noticed that some of the liquid injected into the gas syringe did **not** vaporise.

Explain the effect that this has on the M_r calculated by the student.

(2)

The table is repeated here.

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Volume reading on gas syringe before injecting	0.0 cm ³
Volume reading on gas syringe after injecting	178.0 cm ³
Pressure of gas in syringe	100 kPa
Temperature of oven	120 °C

- (c) Each reading on the balance used to record the mass of the fine needle syringe and contents had an uncertainty of ± 0.001 g

Calculate the percentage uncertainty in the mass of liquid **A** injected in this experiment.

Percentage uncertainty _____

(1)

(Total 7 marks)

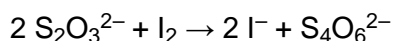
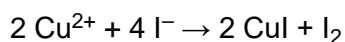
3.

A student does an experiment to determine the percentage of copper in an alloy.

The student

- reacts 985 mg of the alloy with concentrated nitric acid to form a solution (all of the copper in the alloy reacts to form aqueous copper(II) ions)
- pours the solution into a volumetric flask and makes the volume up to 250 cm³ with distilled water
- shakes the flask thoroughly
- transfers 25.0 cm³ of the solution into a conical flask and adds an excess of potassium iodide
- uses exactly 9.00 cm³ of 0.0800 mol dm⁻³ sodium thiosulfate (Na₂S₂O₃) solution to react with all the iodine produced.

The equations for the reactions are



- (a) Calculate the percentage of copper by mass in the alloy.

Give your answer to the appropriate number of significant figures.

% copper _____

(6)

- (b) Suggest **two** ways that the student could reduce the percentage uncertainty in the measurement of the volume of sodium thiosulfate solution, using the same apparatus as this experiment.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

(2)

- (c) State the role of iodine in the reaction with sodium thiosulfate.

(1)

- (d) Give the full electron configuration of a copper(II) ion.

(1)

- (e) Copper(I) iodide is a white solid.

Explain why copper(I) iodide is white.

(2)

- (f) Iodine vaporises easily.

Calculate the volume, in cm^3 , that 5.00 g of iodine vapour occupies at 185°C and 100 kPa

The gas constant $R = 8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

Give your answer to 3 significant figures.

Volume _____ cm^3

(4)

(Total 16 marks)

4.

This question is about sodium and some of its compounds.

- (a) Use your knowledge of structure and bonding to explain why sodium bromide has a melting point that is higher than that of sodium, and higher than that of sodium iodide.

(6)

- (b) When 250 mg of sodium were added to 500 cm³ of water at 25 °C a gas was produced.

Give an equation for the reaction that occurs.

Calculate the volume, in cm³, of the gas formed at 101 kPa

The gas constant, $R = 8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

Equation _____

Volume _____ cm³

(6)

- (c) Calculate the concentration, in mol dm⁻³, of sodium ions in the solution produced in the reaction in **part (b)**.

Concentration _____ mol dm⁻³

(1)

- (d) Sodium reacts with ammonia to form the compound NaNH_2 that contains the NH_2^- ion.

Draw the shape of the NH_2^- ion.

Include any lone pairs of electrons that influence the shape.

Predict the bond angle.

Justify your prediction.

Shape

Bond angle _____

Justification _____

(4)

(Total 17 marks)

5.

An experiment was carried out to determine the relative molecular mass (M_r) of a volatile hydrocarbon **X** that is a liquid at room temperature.

A known mass of **X** was vaporised at a known temperature and pressure and the volume of the gas produced was measured in a gas syringe.

Data from this experiment are shown in the table.

Mass of X	194 mg
Temperature	373 K
Pressure	102 kPa
Volume	72 cm ³

- (a) Calculate the relative molecular mass of **X**.

Show your working.

Give your answer to the appropriate number of significant figures.

The gas constant, $R = 8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

Relative molecular mass _____

(5)

- (b) Analysis of a different hydrocarbon **Y** shows that it contains 83.7% by mass of carbon.

Calculate the empirical formula of **Y**.

Use this empirical formula and the relative molecular mass of **Y** ($M_r = 86.0$) to calculate the molecular formula of **Y**.

Empirical formula _____

Molecular formula _____

(4)

(Total 9 marks)