

Q1.(a) Explain how the electron pair repulsion theory can be used to deduce the shape of, and the bond angle in, PF_3

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(b) State the full electron configuration of a cobalt(II) ion.

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(c) Suggest **one** reason why electron pair repulsion theory **cannot** be used to predict the shape of the $[\text{CoCl}_4]^{2-}$ ion.

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(d) Predict the shape of, and the bond angle in, the complex rhodium ion $[\text{RhCl}_4]^{2-}$.

Shape

Bond angle

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(Total 10 marks)

Q2. The pigment 'Cobalt Yellow' contains an octahedral complex of cobalt(III) and nitrate(III) ions (NO_2^-). Analysis shows that Cobalt Yellow contains 13.0% of cobalt, 18.6% of nitrogen and 25.9% of potassium by mass. The remainder is oxygen.

- (a) Use these data to calculate the empirical formula of Cobalt Yellow. Show your working.

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- (b) Deduce the structural formula of the cobalt-containing ion in Cobalt Yellow.

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Q3. Transition metals and their complexes have characteristic properties.

- (a) Give the electron configuration of the Zn^{2+} ion.
Use your answer to explain why the Zn^{2+} ion is **not** classified as a transition metal ion.

Electron configuration

Explanation

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- (b) In terms of bonding, explain the meaning of the term *complex*.

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- (c) Identify **one** species from the following list that does **not** act as a ligand. Explain your answer.

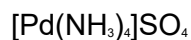


Not a ligand.....

Explanation

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- (d) The element palladium is in the d block of the Periodic Table. Consider the following palladium compound which contains the sulfate ion.



- (i) Give the oxidation state of palladium in this compound.

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- (ii) Give the names of two possible shapes for the complex palladium ion in this compound.

Shape 1

Shape 2

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(Total 9 marks)

Q4. Due to their electron arrangements, transition metals have characteristic properties including catalytic action and the formation of complexes with different shapes.

- (a) Give **two other** characteristic properties of transition metals. For each property, illustrate your answer with a transition metal of your choice.

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(b) Other than octahedral, there are several different shapes shown by transition metal complexes. Name **three** of these shapes and for each one give the formula of a complex with that shape.

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(c) It is possible for Group 2 metal ions to form complexes. For example, the $[\text{Ca}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ ion in hard water reacts with EDTA^{4-} ions to form a complex ion in a similar manner to hydrated transition metal ions. This reaction can be used in a titration to measure the concentration of calcium ions in hard water.

(i) Write an equation for the equilibrium that is established when hydrated calcium ions react with EDTA^{4-} ions.

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- (ii) Explain why the equilibrium in part (c)(i) is displaced almost completely to the right to form the EDTA complex.

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- (iii) In a titration, 6.25 cm³ of a 0.0532 mol dm⁻³ solution of EDTA reacted completely with the calcium ions in a 150 cm³ sample of a saturated solution of calcium hydroxide.
Calculate the mass of calcium hydroxide that was dissolved in 1.00 dm³ of the calcium hydroxide solution.

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- Q5.(a)** Explain the meaning of the terms *ligand* and *bidentate* as applied to transition metal complexes.

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- (b) Aqueous cobalt(II) ions react separately with an excess of chloride ions and with an excess of ammonia.

For each reaction, draw a diagram to illustrate the structure of, the shape of and the charge on the complex ion formed.

In each case, name the shape and indicate, on the diagram, a value for the ligand-metal-ligand bond angle.

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- (c) The complex ion formed in aqueous solution between cobalt(II) ions and chloride ions is a different colour from the $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ ion.

Explain why these complex ions have different colours.

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- (d) In aqueous ammonia, cobalt(II) ions are oxidised to cobalt(III) ions by hydrogen peroxide. The H_2O_2 is reduced to hydroxide ions.

Calculate the minimum volume of $5.00 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ H}_2\text{O}_2$ solution required to oxidise the Co^{2+} ions in 9.87 g of $\text{CoSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$

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