

- 5 (a) Copper shows typical properties of transition elements, including its behaviour as a catalyst.

Complete Table 5.1 to show the total number of **unpaired** electrons in the 3d and 4s orbitals of an isolated gaseous Cu atom and a Cu^{2+} ion.

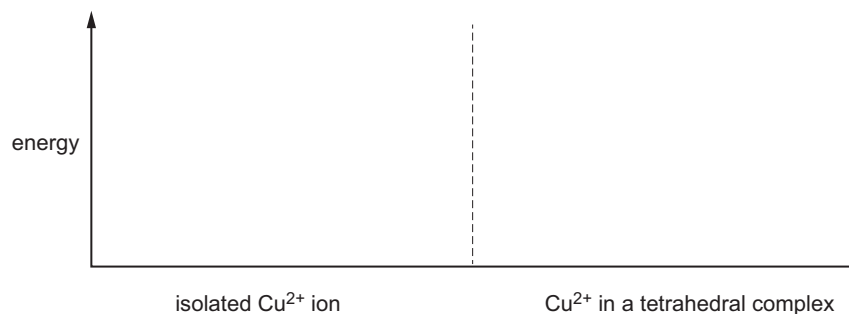
Table 5.1

species	number of unpaired electrons	
	3d	4s
Cu		
Cu^{2+}		

[1]

- (b) The 3d orbitals in an isolated Cu^{2+} ion are degenerate.

Complete the diagram to show the relative energies of the 3d orbitals in an isolated Cu^{2+} ion and in Cu^{2+} in a tetrahedral complex.



[2]

- (c) Explain why transition elements behave as catalysts.

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 [2]

- (d) CN^- is a monodentate ligand.

Table 5.2 shows information about two complex ions that contain only CN^- ions as ligands.

Complete Table 5.2.

Table 5.2

metal ion	coordination number	formula of complex ion	charge of complex ion
Ag^+	2		
Fe^{2+}			4–

[2]

- (e) The complex ion $[\text{Au}(\text{CN})_2\text{Br}_2]^-$ displays geometrical (cis/trans) isomerism.

Draw the structure of *trans*- $[\text{Au}(\text{CN})_2\text{Br}_2]^-$. State its shape and the Br-Au-Br bond angle.

shape

Br-Au-Br bond angle = [2]

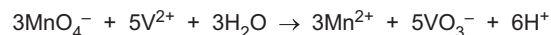
- (f) An impure sample of a vanadium(V) compound of mass 0.250 g is dissolved in aqueous acid. This solution contains VO_3^- ions.

An excess of zinc is added to this solution. All the VO_3^- ions are reduced to V^{2+} ions and Zn atoms are oxidised to Zn^{2+} ions.

The unreacted zinc is removed and the resulting solution is titrated with acidified MnO_4^- .

The end-point is reached when 22.5 cm^3 of $0.0750\text{ mol dm}^{-3}\text{ MnO}_4^-$ is added.

A redox reaction takes place and all the V^{2+} reacts forming VO_3^- .



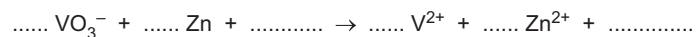
- (i) Calculate the percentage by mass of vanadium in the 0.250 g of impure sample.

Assume the impurities do not contain any vanadium ions.

Show your working.

percentage of vanadium = [3]

- (ii) Complete the equation for the reaction between acidified VO_3^- ions and Zn metal.



[2]

[Total: 14]

- 5 Cobalt is a transition element which forms compounds containing Co^{2+} and Co^{3+} ions. Cobalt(II) sulfate dissolves in water to form a solution containing the $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ complex ion.

- (a) (i) Complete the electronic configurations of a Co^{2+} ion and a Co^{3+} ion.

$\text{Co}^{2+} = [\text{Ar}] \text{.....}$

$\text{Co}^{3+} = [\text{Ar}] \text{.....}$

[1]

- (ii) Explain why transition elements can form complex ions.

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..... [1]

- (iii) An excess of concentrated HCl is added to a solution containing $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$.

Describe the colour change observed and the state of the cobalt-containing product.

The colour changes from to

The state of the cobalt-containing product is

[2]

- (iv) Write an equation for the reaction occurring in (a)(iii).

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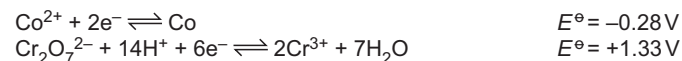
- (v) Name the type of reaction occurring in (a)(iii).

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- (vi) Write an equation for the reaction that occurs when an excess of NaOH(aq) is added to a solution containing $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$.

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- (b) Cobalt metal can be oxidised by acidified $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$. The relevant half-equations, and their E° values, are shown.



- (i) A Co^{2+}/Co electrode is constructed in which $[\text{Co}^{2+}]$ is $0.020 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ at 298 K .

Use the Nernst equation to show that the E value for this Co^{2+}/Co electrode is -0.33 V .

[2]

- (ii) An electrochemical cell is constructed using the Co^{2+}/Co electrode described in (b)(i) and a $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}/\text{Cr}^{3+}$ electrode in which all conditions are standard.

Calculate the value of E_{cell} .

$$E_{\text{cell}} = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

- (iii) A current is drawn from the electrochemical cell described in (b)(ii).

Write an equation for the reaction taking place in the cell.

..... [1]

- (iv) Complete the sentences to identify the negative electrode and the direction of electron flow when a current is drawn from the cell described in (b)(ii).

The electrode is the negative electrode.

Electrons flow from the electrode to the electrode. [1]

- (c) A molten Co^{2+} salt is electrolysed using a current of 0.500 A .

0.547 g of cobalt metal forms at the cathode. Under the conditions used no other reduction reaction occurs at the cathode.

Calculate the time in minutes for which the current flows to produce this mass of cobalt.

Give your answer to **three** significant figures.

$$\text{time} = \dots\dots\dots \text{min} [3]$$

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[Total: 15]

- 1 (a) Define a transition element.

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 [1]

- (b) The 3d orbitals in an isolated gaseous Cu^{2+} ion are degenerate.

- (i) Define the term degenerate.

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 [1]

- (ii) Complete the electronic configuration of Cu^{2+} .

1s^2 [1]

- (c) (i) State the colours of the aqueous solutions for the **two** copper(II) complex ions shown.

- $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]^{2+}(\text{aq})$
- $[\text{CuCl}_4]^{2-}(\text{aq})$ [1]

- (ii) Explain why aqueous complex ions of transition elements are usually coloured.

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 [3]

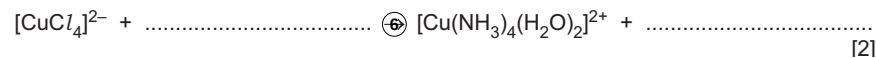
- (d) (i) When an excess of $\text{NH}_3(\text{aq})$ is added to a solution of $[\text{CuCl}_4]^{2-}(\text{aq})$, $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]^{2+}(\text{aq})$ is formed.

State the type of reaction.

Complete the equation for this reaction. State symbols are **not** required.

type of reaction

equation



(ii) The $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]^{2+}$ complex ion shows stereoisomerism.

Complete the three-dimensional diagrams in Fig. 1.1 to show the **two** different stereoisomers of $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]^{2+}$.

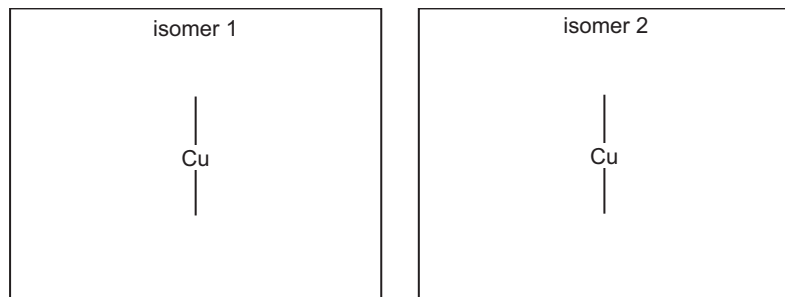


Fig. 1.1

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(iii) Deduce which stereoisomer in **(d)(ii)** is polar.

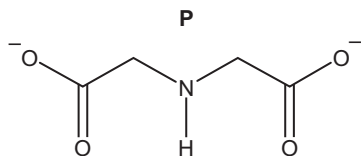
Explain your answer.

polar isomer

explanation

[1]

(e) The dianion **P** can act as a tridentate ligand.



(i) Suggest how **P** can form **three** dative covalent bonds.

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[1]

(ii) 2 moles of dianion **P**, $\text{C}_4\text{H}_5\text{NO}_4^{2-}$, react with 1 mole of aqueous cobalt(III) ions, $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$ to form 1 mole of complex ion **Q**.

Deduce the formula and charge of **Q**.

..... 7 [1]

(f) Table 1.1 shows values for the stability constants, K_{stab} , of some silver(I) complexes.

Table 1.1

complex	value of K_{stab}
$[\text{Ag}(\text{CN})_2]^{-}(\text{aq})$	1.1×10^{18}
$[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2]^{+}(\text{aq})$	1.2×10^7
$[\text{Ag}(\text{S}_2\text{O}_3)_2]^{3-}(\text{aq})$	2.9×10^{13}

(i) Define the stability constant of a complex.

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(ii) Use the information in Table 1.1 to identify the most stable silver(I) complex.

Explain your answer.

most stable

explanation

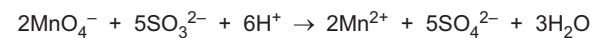
[1]

(g) Sodium sulfite, Na_2SO_3 , is used as a food preservative.

A 3.75 g sample of impure Na_2SO_3 is dissolved in distilled water and made up to 250 cm^3 in a volumetric flask.

10.0 cm^3 of this solution requires 18.70 cm^3 of acidified $0.0150\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ MnO_4^- (aq) to reach the end-point.

The equation for the reaction is shown.



Calculate the percentage by mass of Na_2SO_3 in the sample.

percentage by mass of Na_2SO_3 = [3]

[Total: 19]