

6 (a) Nickel forms complexes.

- (i) Give the formula and charge of the tetrahedral complex formed by Ni atoms with carbon monoxide molecules. Carbon monoxide is a monodentate ligand. This is complex **E**.

E = [1]

- (ii) Give the formula and charge of the octahedral complex formed by Ni^{2+} ions with ethanedioate ions. This is complex **F**.

F = [2]

- (iii) Identify which complex, **E** or **F**, exists as a mixture of two stereoisomers and the type of stereoisomerism involved.

The complex which exists as a mixture of two stereoisomers is

The type of stereoisomerism involved is

[1]

- (b) Cadmium forms complexes with methylamine, CH_3NH_2 , and 1,2-diaminoethane, *en*. The values of the stability constants, K_{stab} , of these complex ions are given in Table 6.1.

Table 6.1

complex	K_{stab}
$[\text{Cd}(\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2)_4]^{2+}$	3.5×10^6
$[\text{Cd}(\text{en})_2]^{2+}$	4.0×10^{10}

- (i) Explain, by reference to its structure, why CH_3NH_2 acts as a monodentate ligand.

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- (ii) Some $\text{Cd}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ is added to a solution containing equal concentrations of CH_3NH_2 and *en*.

Predict which of the two complexes in Table 6.1 forms at the higher concentration.

Explain your answer.

complex that forms at the higher concentration

explanation

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- (iii) Complete the expression for the K_{stab} of $[\text{Cd}(\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2)_4]^{2+}$.

$K_{\text{stab}} =$

1 (a) Define a transition element.

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(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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(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

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

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

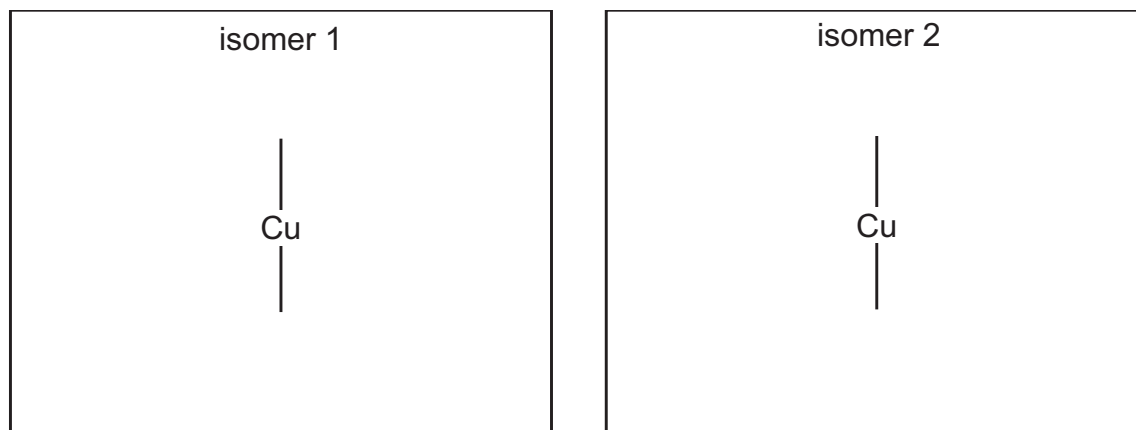


Fig. 1.1

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

Explain your answer.

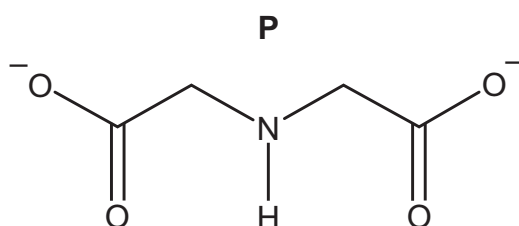
polar isomer

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



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

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- (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**.

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- (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

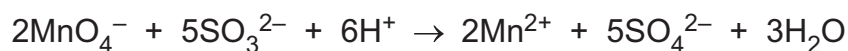
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(g) Sodium sulfite, Na_2SO_3 , is used as a food preservative.

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]