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Chem 205: GENERAL CHEMISTRY I  
MIDTERM EXAMINATION

PLEASE READ THIS PAGE WHILE WAITING TO START

**INSTRUCTIONS:** This test paper includes 8 pages, including a periodic table; please ensure your paper is complete. You may detach the periodic table if you wish. For Part A, you do not need to show calculations; for Part C, you must show your calculations to receive full marks. Please write clearly and organize your work logically. Non-programmable calculators are permitted; book-style translation dictionaries are allowed, but electronic dictionaries and cell phones are not allowed.

**Duration: 70 minutes** - spend at least half that time on Parts B & C. **GOOD LUCK!**

LAST NAME: marking scheme FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mark breakdown:

	<u>Average</u>	<u>%</u>
Page 2.	6.4 / 10 =	64
Page 3.	9.8 / 15 =	66
Page 4.	4.3 / 8 =	54
Page 5.	4.4 / 10 =	36
Page 6.	3.7 / 8 =	62

TOTAL: 28.6 / 50 (MAXIMUM MARK = 51)

PERCENT: 57 %

Note = if you do better on the final exam (which is cumulative), I will drop your midterm + count the final as 70% instead of 50%.

EARNED towards FINAL GRADE: 11.9 / 20

**PART A: ONLY YOUR FINAL ANSWER WILL BE MARKED**

# 1. (2 marks) Based on their position in the periodic table, which of these pairs of elements would you expect both to be malleable and good electrical conductors? *both are properties of METALS.*

- B
- a) phosphorus and rubidium
  - b) copper and lead
  - c) iodine and selenium
  - d) calcium and boron
  - e) sulphur and germanium

# 2. (2 marks) The density of silver is 10.5 g/cm<sup>3</sup>. What is the volume of a piece of Ag that contains 2.8 × 10<sup>22</sup> atoms?

- A
- $d = \frac{m}{V} \therefore V = \frac{m}{d}$  where  $m = \frac{2.8 \times 10^{22} \text{ atoms} \times 1 \text{ mol}}{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms/mol}} \times 107.87 \text{ g/mol} = 5.016 \text{ g}$
- a) 0.48 cm<sup>3</sup>
  - b) 53 cm<sup>3</sup>
  - c) 4.8 × 10<sup>-2</sup> cm<sup>3</sup>
  - d) 2.1 cm<sup>3</sup>
  - e) cannot calculate without knowing the sample's shape (e.g., block, wire, foil, etc.)

# 3. (2 marks) Consider the reaction shown below and pick the correct statement:

- C
- $$\overset{\text{III}}{\text{BrO}_3^-}(\text{aq}) + 2\overset{\text{IV}}{\text{MnO}_2}(\text{s}) + \overset{\text{I}}{\text{H}_2\text{O}}(\ell) \rightarrow \overset{\text{I}}{\text{Br}}(\text{aq}) + 2\overset{\text{VII}}{\text{MnO}_4^-}(\text{aq}) + 2\overset{\text{I}}{\text{H}^+}(\text{aq})$$
- a) Bromine is oxidized and hydrogen is reduced.
  - b) Bromine is reduced and hydrogen is oxidized.
  - c) Bromine is reduced and manganese is oxidized
  - d) X The reaction is an acid – base reaction, NOT an oxidation – reduction reaction!
  - e) Manganese is oxidized and hydrogen is reduced.
- Mn:  $\text{IV} \rightarrow \text{VII}$   
each lost 3e<sup>-</sup> (ox)  
Br:  $\text{V} \rightarrow \text{I}$   
gained 4e<sup>-</sup> (red)

# 4. (2 marks) An example of a weak acid in water is:

- E
- a) HNO<sub>3</sub> strong
  - b) HBr strong
  - c) NH<sub>3</sub> weak BASE
  - d) H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> strong
  - e) CH<sub>3</sub>COOH weak
- 6 common strong acids:  
HCl, HBr, HI  
HNO<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, HClO<sub>4</sub>

# 5. (2 marks) Consider the following description about the element, sulphur:

1. Sulphur is a yellow non-metallic element. *physical.*
2. It burns in oxygen to form a choking gas, SO<sub>2</sub>. *chemical rxn*
3. SO<sub>2</sub> reacts with water to produce acid rain. *chemical rxn*
4. Sulphur is produced commercially by injecting steam into deposits of it underground to melt it. *physical*
5. It is then carried by the steam to the surface, where it separates from the water after cooling. *physical*

Which of the statements refer to chemical reactions and which refer to physical properties or changes?

- B
- |                                     | <u>Chemical</u>           | <u>Physical</u>       |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| a)                                  | Statements 2, 3, 4, and 5 | Statements 1 only     |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> b) | Statements 2 and 3        | Statements 1, 4 and 5 |
| c)                                  | Statements 2, 3 and 4     | Statements 1 and 5    |
| d)                                  | Statements 2, 3 and 5     | Statements 1 and 4    |
| e)                                  | Statements 1, 4 and 5     | Statements 2 and 3    |



✓ = 1.0  
✗ = 0.5  
✗ = 0.25

# 6. (5 marks) Identify the following statements as true or false. (Circle T or F.)

- T / F The reaction of an acid with a base typically yields a salt and water as products. *yes, not ALWAYS, but usually. (strong + strong...)*
- T / F Electrons and protons have identical masses but opposite charges. ✓
- T / F A homogeneous mixture is a pure substance that is composed of only one type of atom.
- T / F Particles in a liquid are packed closely together but are not confined to specific positions. *ie: they move a lot and change nearest neighbours frequently*
- T / F In their elemental forms, metals generally act as reducing agents.  
*lose electrons (cause another species to gain e<sup>-</sup> & be reduced)*

# 7. (5 marks) Fill in the blanks:

- a) Carbon dioxide's sublimation point (-78°C) in Kelvin: 195 K (= 273 - 78)
- b) Number of neutrons in a <sup>25</sup>Mg (magnesium-25) atom: (Z=12) 25 - 12 p<sup>+</sup> = 13 n<sup>0</sup>
- c) The species not included in a net ionic equation are called: spectator ions
- d) Sulfuric acid is formed by the reaction of water with: SO<sub>3</sub>(g) + H<sub>2</sub>O → H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>
- e) The solid that will form if FeBr<sub>2</sub>(aq) is added to Ba(OH)<sub>2</sub>(aq): Fe(OH)<sub>2</sub>(s)


↑ not needed

# 8. (3 marks) Write the missing name or formula, and classify each substance by type:

Substance name	Substance formula	Ionic or molecular substance?
calcium phosphate	<u>Ca<sub>3</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub></u>	<u>0.25 ionic</u>
xenon hexafluoride	<u>XeF<sub>6</sub></u>	<u>0.25 molecular</u>
<u>ammonium nitrate</u>	NH <sub>4</sub> NO <sub>3</sub>	<u>0.25 ionic</u>

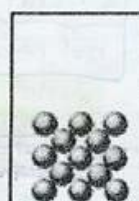
*right elements/wrong ratio -0.5*  
*... 0.75*

# 9. (2 marks) Each picture shown below represents a sample (at 25°C) of one of the four substances listed below. Label each picture with the formula and state of the substance it most correctly represents.

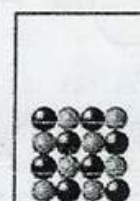


*ordered solid*

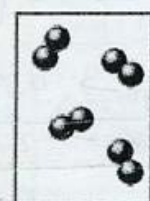
I<sub>2</sub>(s)



K(s)



LiF(s)



N<sub>2</sub>(g)

SUBSTANCES SHOWN:

- lithium fluoride LiF(s) (ionic)
- potassium K(s)
- nitrogen N<sub>2</sub>(g)
- iodine I<sub>2</sub>(s)

- 0.5 each substance.
- max -0.5 for incorrect state (-0.25 each...)
- no penalty if give names instead of formulae
- if give incorrect formulae: -0.25 each

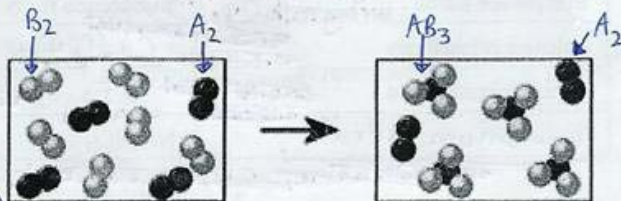


**PART B: Short written answers**

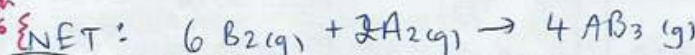
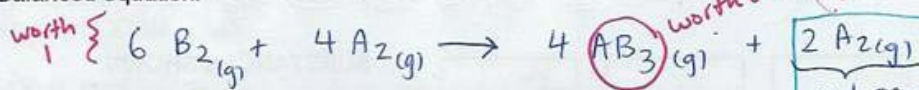
# 10. (4 marks) Classify the two reactions below, and briefly justify your choices. Use as many of the following "type" labels as apply to each reaction: **precipitation, acid-base, gas-forming, redox.**

Reaction	Reaction type(s)	How did you decide?
$\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}(\text{s}) + \text{NH}_3(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{NH}_4\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2(\text{aq})$ <i>oops is (aq) too.</i>	① acid-base	A $\text{H}^+$ was transferred from acetic acid to ammonia (BASE) to produce a salt.
$\text{Na}(\text{s}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) \rightarrow \text{NaOH}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2(\text{g})$	① gas-forming ② redox	Net formation of gas-phase substances (bubbles...) Sodium is converted from elemental form $\text{Na}(\text{c})$ to cationic form $\text{Na}(\text{+I})$ , which reveals a transfer of electrons has occurred. Hydrogen is reduced from $\text{+I}$ to $0$ .

# 11. (4 marks) The diagram to the right represents the gas-phase reaction of  $\text{A}_2$  (darker spheres) with  $\text{B}_2$  (lighter spheres). Write a balanced equation for the reaction, and identify the limiting reactant. Explain each answer briefly. = limiting reagent (rgt)



a) Balanced equation:



b) Limiting reagent:

All of the  $\text{B}_2$  was consumed  $\checkmark$ .  $\therefore \text{B}_2$  was the limiting reactant.  
Some  $\text{A}_2$  molecules remained unreacted  $\checkmark$ .  $\text{A}_2$  was in excess.

not reacted  $\therefore$  excess rgt.  
 $\therefore$  not a PRODUCT at all.  
 $\therefore$  NOT INCLUDED IN EQN!

NOTE: regarding balanced equation

- should be NET equation
- we never show excess reactants on products' side of equation
- not same as net ionic equation vs. complete ionic equation (in which spectator ions would be shown, but not excess reactants).

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# 13. (8 marks) Toluene is a volatile organic solvent that gives its characteristic smell to some paint thinners and glues. It is a compound composed of 91.25% C and 8.75% H.

Determine the empirical formula for toluene. Show and briefly explain all calculations.

$C_xH_y$  = empirical formula derived from mass % data.

- represents simplest mole ratio of elements
- must be whole number ratio

no explanations  
-1

-2 if use as mol %



① Calculate moles of each:

• Carbon:

$$0.9125 \times 100 \text{ g} = 91.25 \text{ g C}$$

eg. 100g  
or 1g etc

↑  
arbitrary sample ✓

$$\frac{91.25 \text{ g C}}{12.01 \text{ g mol}^{-1} \text{ C}} = 7.598 \text{ mol C} \quad \checkmark$$

• hydrogen

$$0.0875 \times 100 \text{ g} = 8.75 \text{ g H}$$

$$\frac{8.75 \text{ g H}}{1.0079 \text{ g mol}^{-1} \text{ H}} = 8.681 \text{ mol H} \quad \checkmark$$

② Normalize to find simplest ratio:

$$\text{Ratio } \frac{\text{H}}{\text{C}} = \frac{8.681}{7.598} = \frac{1.14 \text{ mol H}}{1 \text{ mol C}} \quad \checkmark$$

not a simple  
1:1 ratio ✓

③ Scale up by factor (same for both) to reach whole #'s:

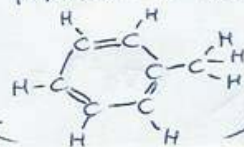
• tried 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6... none worked well... but 7 works perfectly...

$$\frac{1.14 \text{ mol H}}{1 \text{ mol C}} \times 7 = \frac{7.98}{7} \approx \frac{8 \text{ mol H}}{7 \text{ mol C}} \quad \checkmark$$

MUST TRY TO FIT DATA. DO NOT SIMPLY ROUND TO 1!..

④ Thus: empirical formula =  $C_7H_8$  ✓

Toluene is this:



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