

# Covalent Bonding & Shapes of Molecules

## Question Paper 1

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**Grade Boundaries:**

A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
>85%	77.5%	70%	62.5%	57.5%	45%	<45%

1 (a) Complete the electronic configurations of the following atoms.

oxygen:  $1s^2$ .....

fluorine:  $1s^2$ .....

[1]

(b) A compound of fluorine and oxygen contains three atoms in each molecule.

(i) Predict its formula.

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(ii) Draw a 'dot-and-cross' diagram to show its bonding.

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(iii) Suggest the shape of this molecule.

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(c) Use  $E^\ominus$  values from the *Data Booklet* to predict the relative oxidising abilities of fluorine and chlorine.

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(ii) Predict the *type of reaction* that would occur between the interhalogen compound chlorine fluoride,  $ClF$ , and potassium bromide solution.

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(iii) Construct an equation for this reaction.

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[Total: 8]

2 (a) Explain what is meant by the term *ionisation energy*.

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(b) The first seven ionisation energies of an element, **A**, in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ , are

1012 1903 2912 4957 6274 21269 25398.

(i) State the group of the Periodic Table to which **A** is most likely to belong. Explain your answer.

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(ii) Complete the electronic configuration of the element in Period 2 that is in the same group as **A**.

$1s^2$  ..... [1]

(c) Another element, **Z**, in the same period of the Periodic Table as **A**, reacts with chlorine to form a compound with empirical formula  $\text{ZCl}_2$ . The percentage composition by mass of  $\text{ZCl}_2$  is **Z**, 31.13; **Cl**, 68.87.

(i) Define the term *relative atomic mass*.

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(ii) Calculate the relative atomic mass,  $A_r$ , of **Z**.  
Give your answer to **three** significant figures.

$A_r$  of **Z** = ..... [2]

(d) The chlorides of elements in Period 3 of the Periodic Table show different behaviours on addition to water, depending on their structure and bonding.

(i) Write equations to show the behaviour of sodium chloride,  $\text{NaCl}$ , and silicon chloride,  $\text{SiCl}_4$ , when separately added to an excess of water.

$\text{NaCl}$  .....

$\text{SiCl}_4$  .....

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(ii) State and explain the differences in behaviour of these two chlorides when added to water, in terms of their structure and the bonding found in the compounds.

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(e) Sulfur reacts with fluorine to form  $\text{SF}_6$ . State the shape and bond angle of  $\text{SF}_6$ .

shape of  $\text{SF}_6$  .....

bond angle of  $\text{SF}_6$  .....

[2]

[Total: 18]

**3** Carbon disulfide,  $\text{CS}_2$ , is a volatile, flammable liquid which is produced in small quantities in volcanoes.

**(a)** The sequence of atoms in the  $\text{CS}_2$  molecule is sulfur to carbon to sulfur.

**(i)** Draw a 'dot-and-cross' diagram of the carbon disulfide molecule. Show outer electrons only.

**(ii)** Suggest the shape of the molecule and state the bond angle.

shape .....

bond angle .....

[3]

**(b)** Carbon disulfide is readily combusted to give  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{SO}_2$ .

**(i)** Construct a balanced equation for the complete combustion of  $\text{CS}_2$ .

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**(ii)** Define the term *standard enthalpy change of combustion*,  $\Delta H_c^\ominus$ .

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- (c) Calculate the standard enthalpy change of formation of  $\text{CS}_2$  from the following data. Include a sign in your answer.

standard enthalpy change of combustion of  $\text{CS}_2 = -1110 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

standard enthalpy change of formation of  $\text{CO}_2 = -395 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

standard enthalpy change of formation of  $\text{SO}_2 = -298 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

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- (d) Carbon disulfide reacts with nitrogen monoxide, NO, in a 1:2 molar ratio. A yellow solid and two colourless gases are produced.

- (i) Construct a balanced equation for the reaction.

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- (ii) What is the change in the oxidation number of sulfur in this reaction?

from ..... to .....

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[Total: 12]

4 Ammonia,  $\text{NH}_3$ , and methane,  $\text{CH}_4$ , are the hydrides of elements which are next to one another in the Periodic Table.

(a) In the boxes below, draw the 'dot-and-cross' diagram of a molecule of **each** of these compounds. Show outer electrons only. State the shape of **each** molecule.

$\text{NH}_3$	$\text{CH}_4$
shape	shape

[3]

(b) Ammonia is polar whereas methane is non-polar. The physical properties of the two compounds are different.

(i) Explain, using ammonia as the example, the meaning of the term *bond polarity*.

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(ii) Explain why the ammonia molecule is polar.

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(iii) State **one** physical property of ammonia which is caused by its polarity.

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- (c) When ammonia gas is mixed with hydrogen chloride, white, solid ammonium chloride is formed.

State **each type** of bond that is present in one formula unit of ammonium chloride and how many of each type are present.

You may draw diagrams.

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[Total: 10]



5 Elements and compounds which have small molecules usually exist as gases or liquids.

- (a) Chlorine,  $Cl_2$ , is a gas at room temperature whereas bromine,  $Br_2$ , is a liquid under the same conditions.

Explain these observations.

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- (b) The gases nitrogen,  $N_2$ , and carbon monoxide, CO, are isoelectronic, that is they have the same number of electrons in their molecules.

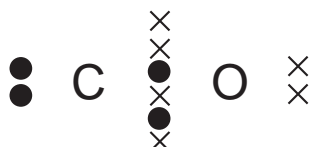
Suggest why  $N_2$  has a lower boiling point than CO.

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- (c) A 'dot-and-cross' diagram of a CO molecule is shown below. Only electrons from outer shells are represented.



In the table below, there are three copies of this structure.

On the structures, draw a circle round a pair of electrons that is associated with **each** of the following.

(i) a co-ordinate bond	(ii) a covalent bond	(iii) a lone pair

[3]

- (d) Hydrogen cyanide, HCN, is a gas which is also isoelectronic with  $N_2$  and with CO. Each molecule contains a strong triple bond with the following bond energies.

bond	bond energy / $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$
$-\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$ in HCN	890
$\text{N}\equiv\text{N}$	994
$\text{C}\equiv\text{O}$	1078

Although each compound contains the same number of electrons and a strong triple bond in its molecule, CO and HCN are both very reactive whereas  $N_2$  is not.

Suggest a reason for this.

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- (e) HCN reacts with ethanal,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHO}$ .

(i) Give the **displayed formula** of the organic product formed.

(ii) What type of reaction is this?

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(iii) Draw the mechanism of this reaction. You should show all full and partial charges and represent the movement of electron pairs by curly arrows.

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[Total: 13]