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$$
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$$

$$
3 \qquad \qquad \text{MgCO}_3(s) \to \text{MgO}(s) + \text{CO}_2(g)
$$

- **A** 1, 2 and 3 **B** 1 and 2 only **C** 2 and 3 only **D** 1 only
- **14** Cyclohexane, C₆H₁₂, is prepared industrially by the hydrogenation of benzene as shown in the equation below.

$$
C_6H_6(I) + 3H_2(g) \rightarrow C_6H_{12}(I) \qquad \Delta H_r^{\circ}
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CHEMICAL ENERGETICS STRUCTURED QUESTIONS PART 1

1 (a) Both lactic acid, CH3CH(OH)CO2H, and ethanoic acid are colourless liquids at 298 K.

Lactic acid dissociates in water to form its conjugate base, lactate ion $\mathsf{CH}_3\mathsf{CH}(\mathsf{OH})\mathsf{CO}_2$.

 $CH_3CH(OH)CO_2H + H_2O \rightleftharpoons CH_3CH(OH)CO_2^- + H_3O^+$

An intramolecular hydrogen bond can be formed in the lactate ion.

(i) Draw the structure of the lactate ion showing the intramolecular hydrogen bond formed.

(ii) Hence, suggest how the K_a of lactic acid would differ from that of ethanoic acid. Explain your answer.

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(b) Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (NAD+) is a coenzyme responsible for carrying electrons from one reaction to another in living cells.

The electrode potential for the reduction of NAD⁺ in a biological system, $E(\text{pH 7})$, in which the conditions are at 1 mol dm $^{-3}$, 25 °C and pH 7, is as shown. The reduced form of NAD * is represented as NADH.

NAD⁺ + H⁺ + 2e⁻
$$
\rightleftharpoons
$$
 NADH $E($ pH 7) = -0.320 V

The Nernst equation can be used to calculate the electrode potential of the above system when [NAD⁺] and [NADH] change.

$$
E = E(\text{pH 7}) - (\frac{0.0592}{n}) \log_{10} \frac{[\text{NADH}]}{[\text{NAD}^+]}
$$

where n is the number of moles of electrons transferred in the system.

(i) Using the Nernst equation given, determine the ratio $\frac{[NADH]}{[NAD^+]}$ when $E = -0.350$ V.

(ii) Hence, calculate the percentage of NAD⁺ in the NAD⁺–NADH mixture when $E = -$ 0.350 V.

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During intense exercise where there is insufficient supply of oxygen, pyruvic acid, CH3COCO2H, is converted to lactic acid.

This process involves the conjugate bases of the two acids and the conversion of coenzyme NADH to NAD⁺, as shown below. The standard cell potential of this reaction is measured at 25 °C and pH 7.

 $CH_3COCO_2^-$ + NADH + H⁺ \rightarrow CH₃CH(OH)CO₂⁻ + NAD⁺ $E_{cell}(pH 7)$ = +0.135 V pyruvate lactate

(iii) Write the half-equation for the reduction of pyruvate to lactate in an acidic condition and calculate its standard electrode potential at 25 °C and pH 7. $\,$

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(c) The standard enthalpy change of combustion of lactic acid can be represented as shown.

$$
CH_3CH(OH)CO_2H(I) + 3O_2(g) \rightarrow 3CO_2(g) + 3H_2O(I)
$$

(i) What do you understand by the term *standard enthalpy change of combustion of lactic acid*?

(ii) Using the data in Table 2.1, calculate standard enthalpy change of combustion, **∆***H*^o c, of lactic acid.

(iii) Use the bond energies given in the *Data Booklet* to calculate another value for the standard enthalpy change of combustion of lactic acid.

(iv) Apart from average bond energy values found in the *Data* Booklet, suggest one other reason for the difference in your answers in **(c)(ii)** and **(c)(iii)**.

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- **2** Iron oxides are chemical compounds composed of iron and oxygen. Most iron ores are oxides, making them important precursors to iron metal and its many alloys.
	- **(a)** Iron (II) compounds are only stable in neutral, non-oxidising conditions. It is difficult to determine the lattice energy of FeO experimentally.

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[2]

(i) Given the following data in Table 2.1 and data from the *Data Booklet*, draw and complete the energy diagram below to calculate the lattice energy of FeO(s) in kJ $mol⁻¹$.

Enthalpy

Fe (s) + $\frac{1}{2}$ O₂ (g) $\pmb{\mathsf{o}}$

(ii) Most naturally occurring samples of iron(II) oxides are found as the mineral WÜstite.

Wüstite has the formula $Fe_{20}O_x$. It contains both Fe^{2+} and Fe^{3+} ions. 90% of the iron is present as Fe^{2+} and the remaining as Fe^{3+} .

By means of calculations, deduce the value of x.

(iii) State and explain how the lattice energy of FeO compares with the lattice energy of $Fe₂O₃$.

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(b) Another common iron oxide as hematite, $Fe₂O₃$ is the main source of iron for the steel industry. $Fe₂O₃$ will readily react with acids to form soluble salts such as the following reaction.

 $Fe₂O₃(s) + 6HI(aq) \rightarrow 2FeI₂(aq) + I₂(aq) + 3H₂O(l)$

(i) Define standard enthalpy change of solution.

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(ii) Use the data in Table 2.2 to calculate the enthalpy change of solution of iron (II) iodide, FeI₂.

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(iii) A yellow precipitate of PbI₂ forms when 25 cm³ of x mol dm⁻³ Pb²⁺ ions are added to 10 cm³ of 0.100 moldm⁻³ FeI₂ (aq).

Given that the solubility product, K_{sp} , of PbI₂ = 9.8 x 10⁻⁹ mol³ dm⁻⁹, find the minimium value for x , concentration of Pb^{2+} for precipitation to occur.

[2]

[Total: 10]

3(a) The Haber–Bosch process remains the primary industrial route to synthesise ammonia. It involves the breaking of the triple bond in molecular nitrogen at high pressures and temperatures and the hydrogen gas it requires to turn nitrogen to ammonia comes mainly from natural gas.

equation 1 $N_2(g) + 3H_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2NH_3(g)$

This process however is responsible for up to 3% of global $CO₂$ emissions.

The electrochemical lithium cycling process to make ammonia is a more sustainable approach. It is reported to have achieved an efficiency of 88.5% in lab-scale tests. The process uses electricity, which can have a renewable source, such as wind or solar energy.

In the first stage, the electrolysis of molten lithium hydroxide produces molten lithium metal at the cathode. Oxygen and steam are formed at the anode.

equation 2 2LiOH(l) \rightarrow 2Li(s) + $\frac{1}{2}O_2(q)$ + H₂O(g)

(i) Using data from the *Data Booklet*, explain why an aqueous solution of LiOH cannot be used to produce lithium metal by electrolysis.

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The next stage in the process involves gently heating the lithium metal in a stream of nitrogen to produce lithium nitride.

equation 3 6Li(s) + $N_2(g) \rightarrow 2Li_3N(s)$

(ii) Define, with the aid of an equation, lattice energy of lithium nitride.

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(iii) Using the data in Table 4.1 and data from the *Data Booklet*, draw a Born-Haber cycle to calculate a value for the third electron affinity of nitrogen. Show your working clearly.

Table 4.1

The last stage in the process involves reacting lithium nitride with water. A solution containing ammonia and lithium hydroxide is produced.

equation 4 Li₃N(s) + 3H₂O(l) \rightarrow 3LiOH(aq) + NH₃(g)

The ammonia produced can be removed by heating the solution. Evaporation of the remaining water gives solid lithium hydroxide, which can be recycled in the electrolytic cell.

(iv) The following equation represents the overall equation for electrochemical lithium cycling process.

 $N_2 + N_2O \rightarrow O_2 + NH_3$

Complete the balancing of the above equation. Show your working clearly.

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The standard Gibbs free energy changes of formation, ∆*G* ,[⊙], of several compounds are listed in Table 4.2.

compound	ΔG_f^{Θ} / kJ mol
LiOH(s)	-439
Li ₃ N(s)	-137
H ₂ O(1)	-237
NH ₃ (g)	-17

Table 4.2

(iv) Using your equation in **a(iv)**, calculate the standard Gibbs free energy change, ∆*G*, when 2 mol of ammonia are produced.

(v) Calculate the standard Gibbs free energy change, ∆*G*[⊖], for the Haber-Bosch process shown in equation 1. By considering the stability of the reactants and products, explain why this value is different from that calculated in **a(v)**.

(b) An epoxide is a cyclic ether (C–O–C) that is highly reactive. Like all compounds containing a 3-membered ring, the bonds in 1,2-epoxypropane are weaker. This can be illustrated by he following calculation, in which you can assume that the C–H bond energy is the same in propane and 1,2-epoxypropane.

The ∆*H*[⊕] for the reaction between propene molecules and oxygen atoms has been calculated to be -363 kJ mol $^{-1}$.

(i) Use the data from the *Data Booklet* to calculate a theoretical value for the sum of the C–C and 2 × C–O bond energies in 1,2-epoxypropane.

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(ii) Use the ∆*H*[→] value for the reaction between propene and oxygen atoms given above to calculate the actual value for the sum of the C–C and 2 × C–O bond energies in 1,2-epoxypropane. Suggest an explanation for the difference between the theoretical and actual values.

…………... …………... …………... **(c)** The bonds in epoxides can be broken by reacting with anhydrous hydrogen halide. For example, when anhydrous HCl is used in ether solvent, the epoxide forms a halohydrin.

 CH_2 \overline{HCI} H_2C CH_2

The ring–opening reaction of epoxides can proceed by either S_N1 or S_N2 mechanism, depending on the nature of the epoxide and the reaction conditions. If the epoxide is asymmetric, the structure of the product will vary according to which mechanism predominates. For example, 1,2-epoxypropane and 2-methyl-1,2-epoxypropane reacts with HCl via different mechanisms to give the following major products.

2-methyl-1,2-epoxypropane

(i) Explain why the reaction proceeds via the given predominant mechanism and not the other.

Type of mechanism for reaction 1: S_N2

... Type of mechanism for reaction 2: S_N1 [3] Basic nucleophiles such as hydride ions, H[−] can also be used for the ringopening of epoxides. S_N2 mechanism usually predominates with these reagents.

(ii) Draw the structural formula of the major product formed when 1,2-epoxypropane reacts with LiAlH₄.

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(iii) Compound **Y** can be formed via a four-step synthesis with epoxide **X** as the starting material. Draw the structures of the reaction intermediates and state the reagents and conditions for each step.

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Since heat is absorbed by the solution, ∆*T* = **+1.2 °C**.

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$AG = AH - TAS$

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- 1 *x*: ΔH > 0, ΔS < 0, ΔG > 0 (non- spontaneous) at all T
- 2 *x*: $\Delta H < 0$, $\Delta < 0$, $\Delta G > 0$ (non-spontaneous) when $T > \frac{\Delta H}{\Delta G}$ ΔS

3 √: ΔΗ < 0, ΔS > 0,ΔG <0 (spontaneous) at all T

6 Which equation does **not** correspond to the enthalpy change stated?

- $A \sqrt{2}$ 1 mol of H2O is formed from the reaction of an acid and a base B *x* : ∆H $^{\text{\tiny\rm{tt}}}_{\text{\tiny\rm lattice energy}}$ (NaHCO₃(s)) is for the reaction Na*(g) + HCO₃-(g) →NaHCO₃(s)
- C $\sqrt{}$: $\qquad \qquad$ Being a strong acid, the HSO; ion will fully dissociate in water to give H*(aq) and SO $_4{}^{2-}$ (aq)
- $D\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$ $\Delta H_{\text{formation}}^{\frac{D}{2}}$ involves forming (NH₄)2SO₄ from the constituent elements, S, H₂, N₂ and O₂ in their standard states
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No. of moles of benzoic acid combusted = 0.986 / 122 = 0.008082 $q = -\Delta H_c \times$ no. of moles of benzoic acid = 3054 \times 0.008082 = 24.68 kJ Heat capacity of the bomb calorimeter = $24.68 / 2.14$ kJ °C⁻¹

In the experiment with glycine,

No. of moles of glycine combusted = $0.483 / 75 = 0.00644$ g = $(24.68 / 2.14) \times 0.54 =$ 6.228 kJ

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This decomposition is endothermic since energy is required for breaking the covalent bonds in the OH[−] anion.

∆S is expected to be positive since there is formation of gaseous H₂O, thus statement 3 is wrong.

∆G can be positive or negative depending on the temperature.

For reactions to be spontaneous, ∆G needs to be negative. As ∆G = ∆H − T∆S, T has to be high so that |T∆S| > ∆H. Thus statement 2 is correct.

Similar to Group 2 carbonates, the thermal decomposition of Group 2 hydroxides is dependent on the charge density of the cation. Since Ba^{2+} is larger in cationic radius as compared to Mg²⁺, the charge density of Ba²⁺ is smaller. Hence its polarising power is weaker and is less able to distort the electron cloud of the hydroxide ion, weakening the O-H covalent bond to a smaller extent. Thus, barium hydroxide will decompose at a higher temperature than magnesium hydroxide.

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Assuming the concentration of both acid and alkali are 1 mol dm $^{\texttt{-3}}$.

(i) 25.0 cm^3 of HC*l*(aq) + 25.0 cm^3 of NaOH(aq): 0.025 mol of H₂O produced, m = 50.0. (ii) 50.0 cm³ of HC l (aq) + 50.0 cm³ of NaOH(aq): 0.05 mol of H₂O produced, m = 100.0.

(iii) 25.0 cm³ of HC*l*(aq) + 25.0 cm³ of NH₃(aq): 0.025 mol of H₂O produced, m = 50.0.

Given $\Delta T = \frac{\Delta H \ x n H_2 O}{m c}$ and both c and ΔH_{neu} of strong acid and strong alkali are constant,

$$
\Delta T \propto \frac{n_{H_2O}}{m}
$$

Hence, $\Delta T_1 = \Delta T_2$

Magnitude of ∆H_{neu} of strong acid and weak alkali < ∆H_{neu} of strong acid and strong alkali Hence, $\Delta T_1 = \Delta T_2$ > ΔT_3

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Ans: **A**

 $Fe₂O₃(s) + 3 CO(s) \rightarrow 2 Fe(s) + 3 CO₂(g)$

$$
\Delta H_{rxn} = \sum \Delta H_{formation\ of\ products} - \sum \Delta H_{formation\ of\ reactants}
$$

= 3(-393.5) - [-824.2 + 3(-110.5)]
= - 24.6 kJ mol⁻¹

Hence, enthalpy change of reaction for one mole of iron formed = 24.6 ÷2 = 12.3 kJ mol⁻¹

12 Which standard enthalpy change is represented by the correct equation?

A is correct. 1 mol of CO2(g) is formed from 1 mol of C(graphite) which is a solid at standard conditions and 1 mol of O₂ gas.

B is wrong. ΔHneut is for 1 mol of water formed between the reaction of an acid and an alkali.

C is wrong. The equation given is for AHI_{hyd}, enthalpy of hydration.

D is wrong. The equation given is for 1^{st} EA + 2^{nd} EA of sulfur.

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$$

$$
= -3268 + 3(-286) - (-3754) = -372 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}
$$

15 Which equation represents the standard enthalpy change stated?

Option **A** is incorrect. The standard enthalpy change of atomisation of chlorine is the energy absorbed when 1 mole of gaseous Cl atoms is formed from Cl₂(g) under standard conditions. The correct equation should be

$$
\frac{1}{2}Cl_2(g) \longrightarrow Cl(g)
$$

Option **B** is incorrect. The standard enthalpy change of combustion of a substance is the energy released when 1 mole of the substance is completely burnt in excess oxygen under standard conditions. The correct equation should be

$$
H_2S(g) + \frac{3}{2}O_2(g) \longrightarrow H_2O(g) + SO_2(g)
$$

Note: H_2 cannot be the end product of a combustion reaction as it can be combusted to give H_2O .

Option **C** is incorrect. The standard enthalpy change of formation of a substance is the energy change when 1 mole of the pure substance in a specified state is formed from its constituent elements in their standard states under standard conditions. The correct equation should be

$$
H_2(g) + 2O_2(g) + S(s) \rightarrow H_2SO_4(I)
$$

Note: The elements, hydrogen and oxygen, do not exist in the monoatomic form under standard conditions (i.e. 1 bar and 298 K).

Option **D** is correct. The standard enthalpy change of solution of a substance is the energy change when 1 mole of the substance (ionic compound) is completely dissolved in a solvent to form an infinitely dilute solution (containing aqueous ions) under standard conditions.

ANSWERS FOR CHEMICAL ENERGETICS STRUCTURED QUESTIONS PART 1

1 (a) Both lactic acid, CH₃CH(OH)CO₂H, and ethanoic acid are colourless liquids at 298 K.

Lactic acid dissociates in water to form its conjugate base, lactate ion $\mathsf{CH}_3\mathsf{CH}(\mathsf{OH})\mathsf{CO}_2$.

 $CH_3CH(OH)CO_2H + H_2O \rightleftharpoons CH_3CH(OH)CO_2^- + H_3O^+$

An intramolecular hydrogen bond can be formed in the lactate ion.

(i) Draw the structure of the lactate ion showing the intramolecular hydrogen bond formed.

[1]

Comments:

Common mistakes include:

- *Missing dipoles, lone pairs, labels*
- *Drawing of lactic acid instead of lactate*
- *Hydrogen bonding to the wrong H or O (remember that only H bonded to O,N or F can be used for Hydrogen bonding!)*
- *Drew intermolecular hydrogen bonding (between two ions) instead of intramolecular hydrogen bonding (within one ion) as required by question*
- *Missing atoms and bonds*
	- **(ii)** Hence, suggest how the K_a of lactic acid would differ from that of ethanoic acid. Explain your answer.
- For lactate ion, *intramolecular hydrogen bonding* formed between the ionised CO₂⁻ group and –OH group which results in the **greater stability** of the conjugate base/lactate ion compared to the ethanoate ion
- Lactic acid is a stronger acid with **larger** *K***^a value**. [1].

Comments:

Common mistakes include:

- *Explanations involving solubility*
- *Explanations about a second dissociation*
- *Acidity considerations not involving intramolecular H-Bonding despite the qualifier word "Hence"*
- *Answered in terms of pKa*
- *Incorrectly related higher acidity to lower Ka*

(b) Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (NAD+) is a coenzyme responsible for carrying electrons from one reaction to another in living cells.

The electrode potential for the reduction of NAD⁺ in a biological system, *E*(pH 7), in which the conditions are at 1 mol dm $^{-3}$, 25 °C and pH 7, is as shown. The reduced form of NAD * is represented as NADH.

NAD⁺ + H⁺ + 2e⁻
$$
\rightleftharpoons
$$
 NADH $E($ pH 7) = -0.320 V

The Nernst equation can be used to calculate the electrode potential of the above system when [NAD⁺] and [NADH] change.

$$
E = E(\text{pH 7}) - (\frac{0.0592}{n}) \log_{10} \frac{[\text{NADH}]}{[\text{NAD}^+]}
$$

where n is the number of moles of electrons transferred in the system.

(i) Using the Nernst equation given, determine the ratio $\frac{[NADH]}{[NAD^+]}$ when $E = -0.350$ V.

Since n = 2, $E = E^{\circ} - \left(\frac{0.0592}{2}\right) \log_{10} \frac{[NADH]}{[NAD^+]}$ $[NAD^+]$ $(-0.350) = (-0.320) - \left(\frac{0.0592}{2}\right) \log_{10} \frac{[NADH]}{[NAD^+]}$ $[NAD^+]$ $log_{10} \frac{[NADH]}{[NAD^+]} = 1.01$ $\frac{[NADH]}{[NAD^+]}$ = **10.3 [1]** (3 s.f.)

Comments: Common mistakes include: •*Using ln instead of lg* •*Incomplete calculations*

(ii) Hence, calculate the percentage of NAD⁺ in the NAD⁺–NADH mixture when $E = -$ 0.350 V.

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% of NAD<sup>+</sup> = \frac{1}{(10.3+1)} x 100%
= 8.85 % [1]
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Comments: Poorly done. Many students cannot properly compute the percentage

[1]

During intense exercise where there is insufficient supply of oxygen, pyruvic acid, CH3COCO2H, is converted to lactic acid.

This process involves the conjugate bases of the two acids and the conversion of coenzyme NADH to NAD⁺, as shown below. The standard cell potential of this reaction is measured at 25 °C and pH 7.

 $CH_3COCO_2^-$ + NADH + H⁺ \rightarrow CH₃CH(OH)CO₂⁻ + NAD⁺ $E_{cell}(pH 7)$ = +0.135 V pyruvate lactate

(iii) Write the half-equation for the reduction of pyruvate to lactate in an acidic condition and calculate its standard electrode potential at 25 °C and pH 7.

 $CH_3COCO_2^-$ + $2H^+$ + $2e^ \Rightarrow$ $CH_3CH(OH)CO_2$

– **[1]**

*E*o *cell* at pH 7 = *E*^o *red* – *E*^o *ox* +0.135 = *E*^o *red* – (–0.320) *E*o *red* = –0.185V **[1]**..[2]

Comments:

Very poorly done. Students are supposed to use the overall equation to deduce the reduction halfequation for pyruvate. This can be done by subtracting the oxidation half-equation involving NAD+/NADH from the overall reaction equation.

overall: CH₃COCO₂[−] + NADH + H⁺ → CH₃CH(OH)CO₂[−] + NAD⁺ <i>E^o_{cell} = +0.135 V

oxidation: NADH [→] *NAD+ + H+ + 2e– The reduction half-equation is hence as shown below after balancing the particles and charges: CH3COCO – + 2 H+ + 2 e–* ⇋ *CH3CH(OH)CO2 –*

(iv) Calculate ∆*G* for the anaerobic metabolism of pyruvate at pH 7.

∆*G* at pH 7 = –nF*E*^o *cell* $= -2 (96500) (+0.135)$ $= -26055$ J mol⁻¹ $= -26 100 \text{ J} \text{ mol}^{-1} (3 \text{ s.f.})$ [1]

Comments: Very poorly done. Many students either used the wrong Ecell or used the wrong number of mole of electrons transferred or simply misremembered the equation.

(c) The standard enthalpy change of combustion of lactic acid can be represented as shown.

 $CH_3CH(OH)CO_2H(I) + 3O_2(g) \rightarrow 3CO_2(g) + 3H_2O(I)$

(i) What do you understand by the term *standard enthalpy change of combustion of lactic acid*?

The amount of heat **evolved** when **one mole** of **lactic acid** in its **standard state** is **completely burned** in **excess oxygen** under standard conditions of **298 K and 1 bar**.

[1] correct definition with key words/points .

Comments: Key words such as 'standard state', 'completely' and 'excess' are frequently missing. Students should specify the substance as 'lactic acid'. [1]

(ii) Using the data in Table 2.1, calculate standard enthalpy change of combustion, **∆***H*^o c, of lactic acid.

Table 2.1

∆*H*^c ^o = [3(−393.5) + 3(−285.8)] – (−483.2) $= -1554.7$ kJ mol⁻¹ = **−1550 kJ mol[−]¹** (3 s.f.) **[1]** (correct value and units)

Comments: Students did not take into account the mole ratio of the products CO2 and H2O. Students are reminded to leave their answers to 3 sf

[1]

(iii) Use the bond energies given in the *Data Booklet* to calculate another value for the standard enthalpy change of combustion of lactic acid.

 $CH_3CH(OH)CO_2H(l) + 3O_2(g)$ $3CO_2(g) + 3H_2O(l)$

Heat absorbed for bond breaking $= 2 BE(C-C) + 4 BE(C-H) + 2 BE(C-O) + 2BE(O-H) + BE(C=O) + 3 BE(O=O)$ $= 2(350) + 4(410) + 2(360) + 2(460) + (740) + 3(496)$ = **6208 kJ mol[−]¹**

Heat released on bond formation working $= 6$ BE(C=O) + 6BE(O–H) $= 6(805) + 6(460)$ = **7590 kJ mol[−]¹**

∆*H*^c = (+6208) + (−7590) = **−1382 kJ mol[−]¹ [1]** **[1]**

Comments: Common mistakes observed:

- [∆]*H is the sum of bonds broken in reactants – sum of bonds formed in products*
- *C-C bonds and O=O bonds in reactants not taken into account.*
- *Counting the number of bonds in reactants and/or products wrongly*
- *Using wrong bond energy values for C=O and O=O*
- *Including* ∆*Hf values in calculation*

[2]

(iv) Apart from average bond energy values found in the *Data* Booklet, suggest one other reason for the difference in your answers in **(c)(ii)** and **(c)(iii)**.

In **c(iii)** calculations, bond energies used are defined for gaseous compounds. However, in **c(ii)**, lactic acid and water are not gaseous in their standard state.

[1] show understanding that calculations involving bond energies are for gaseous substances.

Comments: Many students were not aware that that bond energy of a covalent bond is the average amount of heat absorbed to break one mole of that particular covalent bond in a particular compound in the gaseous state.

[Total: 12]

- **2** Iron oxides are chemical compounds composed of iron and oxygen. Most iron ores are oxides, making them important precursors to iron metal and its many alloys.
	- **(a)** Iron (II) compounds are only stable in neutral, non-oxidising conditions.

It is difficult to determine the lattice energy of FeO experimentally.

(i) Given the following data in Table 2.1 and data from the *Data Booklet*, draw and complete the energy diagram below to calculate the lattice energy of FeO(s) in kJ mol[−]¹ .

Table 2.1

By Hess Law, ‒272 = +416 + ½ (496) + 762 + 1560 +157 + *LE* (FeO) *LE* (FeO) = -3415 (or -3420) kJ mol⁻¹

(ii) Most naturally occurring samples of iron(II) oxides are found as the mineral WÜstite.

Wüstite has the formula $Fe_{20}O_x$. It contains both Fe^{2+} and Fe^{3+} ions. 90% of the iron is present as Fe^{2+} and the remaining as Fe^{3+} .

By means of calculations, deduce the value of x.

Balancing of charges: $20\times 0.9(+2)+0.1(+3) - 2x = 0$ Solving $x = 21$

(iii) State and explain how the lattice energy of FeO compares with the lattice energy of Fe₂O₃.

 $Fe³⁺$ ion has a higher (ionic) charge and smaller radius/size than $Fe²⁺$ ion.

Since \vert **LE** $\vert \propto \vert^{ \bm{q}_+ \times \bm{q}_- \vert}$, hence, the magnitude of LE for Fe₂O₃ is larger / *r*₊ + *r*−

LE for $Fe₂O₃$ is more exothermic than that in FeO. [2]

(b) Another common iron oxide as hematite, $Fe₂O₃$ is the main source of iron for the steel industry. $Fe₂O₃$ will readily react with acids to form soluble salts such as the following reaction.

 $Fe₂O₃(s) + 6HI(aq) \rightarrow 2FeI₂(aq) + I₂(aq) + 3H₂O(l)$

(i) Define standard enthalpy change of solution.

It is the heat *change* when *1 mole of a substance is completely dissolved in water* under the standard conditions of 298K and 1 bar so that there is no further heat change upon adding more water.

(ii) Use the data in Table 2.2 to calculate the enthalpy change of solution of iron (II) iodide, FeI₂.

∆*H*soln = −(−2440) + (−1950) + (2(−308)) $= -126$ kJ mol⁻¹

[1]

(iii) A yellow precipitate of PbI₂ forms when 25 cm³ of x mol dm⁻³ Pb²⁺ ions are added to 10 cm³ of 0.100 moldm⁻³ FeI₂ (aq).

Given that the solubility product, \mathcal{K}_{sp} , of PbI $_2$ = 9.8 x 10⁻⁹ mol³ dm⁻⁹, find the minimium value for x , concentration of Pb^{2+} for precipitation to occur.

For ppt to occur, lonic product > \mathcal{K}_{sp} [Pb²⁺] [I^{–]2} [Pb²⁺] [I^{–]2} > 9.8 x 10⁻⁹

$$
x > 4.20 \times 10^{-6}
$$
 mol dm⁻³

[2]

[Total: 10]

3(a) The Haber–Bosch process remains the primary industrial route to synthesise ammonia. It involves the breaking of the triple bond in molecular nitrogen at high pressures and temperatures and the hydrogen gas it requires to turn nitrogen to ammonia comes mainly from natural gas.

equation 1 $N_2(g) + 3H_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2NH_3(g)$

This process however is responsible for up to 3% of global $CO₂$ emissions.

The electrochemical lithium cycling process to make ammonia is a more sustainable approach. It is reported to have achieved an efficiency of 88.5% in lab-scale tests. The process uses electricity, which can have a renewable source, such as wind or solar energy.

In the first stage, the electrolysis of molten lithium hydroxide produces molten lithium metal at the cathode. Oxygen and steam are formed at the anode.

equation 2 2LiOH(l) \rightarrow 2Li(s) + $\frac{1}{2}O_2(q)$ + H₂O(g)

(i) Using data from the *Data Booklet*, explain why an aqueous solution of LiOH cannot be used to produce lithium metal by electrolysis.

 $Li^+ + e^- \rightleftharpoons Li$ $-3.04V$ $2H_2O + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons H_2 + 2OH^- - 0.83V$ Based on the reduction potential values in the data booklet, since E^{Θ} (H₂O/ H₂) of water is more positive, water will be preferentially reduced (to H_2 and OH $\bar{ }$) as \blacksquare compared to Li+ to Li. [1] \blacksquare [1]

The next stage in the process involves gently heating the lithium metal in a stream of nitrogen to produce lithium nitride.

equation 3 6Li(s) + $N_2(q) \rightarrow 2Li_3N(s)$

(ii) Define, with the aid of an equation, lattice energy of lithium nitride.

Lattice energy is the energy change/evolved when one mole of Li₃N ionic compound is formed from gaseous Li⁺ and N^{3-} ions at standard conditions. [1]

 $3Li^{+}(g) + N^{3-}(g)$ → $Li_3N(s)$ [1] [2]

(iii) Using the data in Table 4.1 and data from the *Data Booklet*, draw a Born-Haber cycle to calculate a value for the third electron affinity of nitrogen. Show your working clearly.

Table 4.1

energy / kJ mol⁻¹

All 4 correct levels – [2]; 2,3 correct levels points – [1] $-165 = 3(+161) + \frac{1}{2}(+944) + 3(+519) + (+680) + 3^{rd}$ EA of N + (-4830) $3rd$ EA of N = +1473 = +1470 kJ mol⁻¹ [1] [3]

The last stage in the process involves reacting lithium nitride with water. A solution containing ammonia and lithium hydroxide is produced.

equation 4 Li₃N(s) + 3H₂O(l) \rightarrow 3LiOH(aq) + NH₃(g)

The ammonia produced can be removed by heating the solution. Evaporation of the remaining water gives solid lithium hydroxide, which can be recycled in the electrolytic cell.

(iv) The following equation represents the overall equation for electrochemical lithium cycling process.

 $N_2 + H_2O \rightarrow$ $O_2 + NH_3$

Complete the balancing of the above equation. Show your working clearly.

(2) x 3: 6 L + $\frac{3}{2}$ O₂ + 3H₂O (3) 6 L F N₂ \rightarrow 2 L i₃N (4) x 2: $2Li_3N + 6H_2O \rightarrow 6LiOH + 2NH_3$ Overall equation: N_2 + $3H_2O \rightarrow \frac{3}{2}O_2$ + $2NH_3$ [1]

[1]

The standard Gibbs free energy changes of formation, ∆*G* ,[⊖], of several compounds are listed in Table 4.2.

(v) Using your equation in **a(iv)**, calculate the standard Gibbs free energy change, ∆*G*, when 2 mol of ammonia are produced.

> ΔG_i^{\ominus} for elements = 0 ΔG^{\ominus} = $\Delta G_{\text{f}}^{\ominus}$ (products) – ΔG^{\ominus} (reactants) Δ *G*[⊕] for the production of 2 mol NH₃ = –17(2) – (–237)(3) = +677 kJ mol⁻¹ [1]

(vi) Calculate the standard Gibbs free energy change, ∆*G*[⊖], for the Haber-Bosch process shown in equation 1. By considering the stability of the reactants and products, explain why this value is different from that calculated in **a(v)**.

 ΔG^{\ominus} for equation 1 = –17(2) = –34 kJ mol⁻¹ [1]

Based on the ∆*G* [⊙] data given, H *ં*D is thermodynaౖmically much more stable than NH as compared to their respective reactants. The overall equation derived in **(a)(iv)** involved the formation of NH3 from H₂O and it is thus highly unfavourable (ΔG^{\ominus} > 0). For equation 1, it simply involves the formation of NH₃ from its elements (ΔG ^{\rightarrow} < 0). [1]

$$
[2]
$$

(b) An epoxide is a cyclic ether (C–O–C) that is highly reactive. Like all compounds containing a 3-membered ring, the bonds in 1,2-epoxypropane are weaker. This can be illustrated by he following calculation, in which you can assume that the C–H bond energy is the same in propane and 1,2-epoxypropane.

The ∆*H*^{\ominus} for the reaction between propene molecules and oxygen atoms has been calculated to be -363 kJ mol $^{-1}$.

(i) Use the data from the *Data Booklet* to calculate a theoretical value for the sum of the C–C and 2 × C–O bond energies in 1,2-epoxypropane.

From the *Data Booklet*, BE(C−C) + 2×BE(C−O) = 350 + 2×360 = +1070 kJ mol−¹ **[1]**

[1]

(ii) Use the ∆*H*[⊖] value for the reaction between propene and oxygen atoms given above to calculate the actual value for the sum of the C–C and 2 × C–O bond energies in 1,2-epoxypropane. Suggest an explanation for the difference between the theoretical and actual values.

∆H_r^e = ∑BE(bonds broken) − ∑BE(bonds formed) $-363 = BE(C=C) - [BE(C-C) + 2 \times BE(C-C)]$ −363 = (+610) – [BE(C−C) + 2×BE(C−O)] −363 = 610 – [BE(C−C) + 2×BE(C−O)] BE(C−C) + 2×BE(C−O) = +973 kJ mol−¹ **[1]**

The actual value is less endothermic as the C–O and C–C bonds in the 3-membered ring are weaker due to ring strain/ angle strain (bond angles of 105° and 109° respectively are now 60° in a 3 membered ring). [1]

(c) The bonds in epoxides can be broken by reacting with anhydrous hydrogen halide. For example, when anhydrous HCl is used in ether solvent, the epoxide forms a halohydrin.

 $H_2C \longrightarrow CH_2$ $H_2H_2C \longrightarrow CH_2$
 $H_2C \longrightarrow CH_2$ $H_2C \longrightarrow CH_2$

The ring–opening reaction of epoxides can proceed by either S_N1 or S_N2 mechanism, depending on the nature of the epoxide and the reaction conditions. If the epoxide is asymmetric, the structure of the product will vary according to which mechanism predominates. For example, 1,2-epoxypropane and 2-methyl-1,2-epoxypropane reacts with HCl via different mechanisms to give the following major products.

2-methyl-1,2-epoxypropane

(i) Explain why the reaction proceeds via the given predominant mechanism and not the other.

Type of mechanism for reaction 1: S_N2

 \bullet S_N2 mechanism is favoured since there is little steric hindrance as the electron deficient (δ^+) carbon (-O–CH₂-) in 1,2-epoxypropane is attached to only 1 bulky alkyl group. Hence the Cl[−] nucleophile can attack the electron deficient (δ+) carbon readily.

 \bullet S_N1 mechanism is not favoured as it will result in the formation of a primary carbocation that is unstable as it has no electron donating groups to disperse the positive charge.

Type of mechanism for reaction 2: S_N1

 \bullet S_N1 mechanism is favoured as there are 3 electron donating alkyl groups to the electron deficient carbon in 2-methyl-1,2-epoxypropane that help to disperse the positive charge, hence making it a stable carbocation.

• The 3 bulky alkyl groups on the C atom (C with $2 - CH_3$ groups) also cause steric hindrance to the attacking Cl[−] nucleophile making it impossible to form the pentavalent transition state in the S_N2 mechanism,

4 points – **[3]** 3 points – **[2]** 2 points – **[1]**

Basic nucleophiles such as hydride ions, H[−] can also be used for the ringopening of epoxides. S_N2 mechanism usually predominates with these reagents.

(ii) Draw the structural formula of the major product formed when 1,2-epoxypropane reacts with $LiAlH₄$.

(iii) Compound **Y** can be formed via a four-step synthesis with epoxide **X** as the starting material. Draw the structures of the reaction intermediates and state the reagents and conditions for each step.

step 2: $K_2Cr_2O_7(aq)$, H₂SO₄(aq), heat under reflux [1]

step 3: HCN, traces amount of NaCN, $10 - 20$ °C [1]

step 4: dilute H_2SO_4 , heat under reflux [1] $[6]$

 (iv) A small amount of a sweet-smelling side product, $C_{18}H_{24}O_4$, is formed in step 4. Draw the structure of this side product.

[Total: 24]