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• Oxidising agents undergo reduction (*i.e.* a gain of electrons). The electronic configuration of the halogens (Group 17) is ns^5 . They are small atoms (atomic size decreases across a period as shielding decreases) and will readily gain a single electron to form the X⁻ ion with a complete octet. As the atoms are small, the electrons are firmly held and have high ionisation energies. Hence halogens are poor reducing agents.



Paramagnetism arises as a result of the presence of 1 or more unpaired electrons. Co^{2+} has 3 unpaired electrons and so is paramagnetic.

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• A Lewis acid is an electron pair acceptor. BF₃ possess an empty *p*-orbital on B. CH₃CH₂OCH₂CH₃ possess a lone pair on O.



• A catalyst is a substance that increases the rate of a reaction without being consumed in the reaction. A catalyst works by providing an alternative reaction pathway of lower activation energy, E_{a} .



- The critical temperature (T_c) is the temperature above which a substance cannot exist as a liquid. Thus methane cannot be liquefied at 25 °C.
- Allotropes are different structural forms of the same element.
 - O_2 and O_3 , white phosphorus and red phosphorus, many other examples

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II	III	II
4	6	6
7	5	10
2-	3–	0
tetrahedral	octahedral	octahedral
Cl	Br and C	N and O

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3.28 8.59 4.87 KC₃H₅O₂

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• Rate = $k[S_2O_8^{2-}][I^-]$ $k = 0.081 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$

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- constitutional isomers
 diastereoisomers
 enantiomers
 conformational isomers
 diastereoisomers
 (E)-2-pentene
 (R)
 - No. It has no plane of symmetry.

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(S)-enantiomer

(*R*)-enantiomer











1,3-dichloropropane

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constitutional isomers constitutional isomers constitutional isomers racemate

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