Marks • Explain what is meant by hybridisation of atomic orbitals. 1 The mathematical combining of atomic orbitals to produce equivalent orbitals which point in the direction of the bonds and lone pairs. There is no energy gain in this process, but the overlap of the hybridised orbitals to form bonds results in a lower energy situation because of reduced repulsion of the electron pairs. Carbon has atomic number Z = 6. What is the ground state electron configuration for 5 an atom of carbon? $1s^2 2s^2 2p^2$ What compound would you expect to form between a carbon atom with that electron configuration and hydrogen, *i.e.* what is the value of x in the formula CH_x ? Explain. CH₂ *i.e.* x = 2. The bonds would form using the unpaired electrons in the p orbitals. These orbitals would overlap with the 1s orbitals of the H atoms. As there are only 2 unpaired electrons, only 2 bonds would form. What shape would that molecule have? Explain. The molecule would be bent with approx 90° bond angle as the p orbitals are at right angles to each other. What molecule forms instead? Explain. CH₄ - methane. The s orbital and the three 2p orbitals of carbon undergo hybridisation to form 4 equivalent sp^3 orbitals that point to the corners of a tetrahedron. Overlap of these orbitals with the 1s orbital of each H atom results in the formation of the tetrahedral molecule, methane.

Marks • Stearic acid, $C_{18}H_{36}O_2$, is a fatty acid common in animal fats and vegetable oils and is 5 a valuable energy source for mammals. The net reaction for its metabolism in humans is: $C_{18}H_{36}O_2(s) + 26O_2(g) \rightarrow 18CO_2(g) + 18H_2O(l)$ Calculate ΔH° for this reaction given the following heats of formation. Compound $C_{18}H_{36}O_2(s)$ $CO_2(g)$ $H_2O(l)$ $\Delta_{\rm f} H^{\circ} / \rm kJ \ mol^{-1}$ -948 -393 -285Using $\Delta_{rxn}H^{\circ} = \Sigma m \Delta_f H^{\circ}$ (products) - $\Sigma n \Delta_f H^{\circ}$ (reactants), the enthalpy of the combustion of the reaction with excess O₂ is: $\Delta H^{\circ} = (18\Delta_{\rm f}H^{\circ}(\rm CO_2(g) + 18\Delta_{\rm f}H^{\circ}(\rm H_2O(l)) - (\Delta_{\rm f}H^{\circ}(\rm C_{18}\rm H_{36}O_2(s)))$ $= [(18 \times -393 + 18 \times -285) - (-948)] \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} = -11300 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ As $O_2(g)$ is an element in its standard state, its $\Delta_f H^\circ$ is zero. $\Delta H^{\circ} = -11300 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ If the combustion of stearic acid is carried out in air, water is produced as a vapour. Calculate the ΔH° for the combustion of stearic acid in air given that: $\Delta H^{\circ} = +44 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ $H_2O(1) \rightarrow H_2O(g)$ The reaction now needs vapourisation of $18H_2O(l)$ which requires *input* of (18×10^{-6}) 44) kJ mol⁻¹. The combustion enthalpy is reduced to: $\Delta H^{\circ} = (-11300 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}) + (18 \times 44 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}) = -10500 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ $\Delta H^{\circ} = -10500 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ Will ΔS be different for the two oxidation reactions? If so, how will it differ and why?

 ΔS will be greater for the air-oxidation as the product $H_2O(g)$ has a much greater entropy than the product $H_2O(l)$ - gases are much more disordered than liquids.

Calculate the mass of carbon dioxide produced by the complete oxidation of 1.00 g of stearic acid.

The molar mass of stearic acid, $C_{18}H_{36}O_2,$ is:

molar mass = $(18 \times 12.01 \text{ (C)} + 36 \times 1.008 \text{ (H)} + 2 \times 16.00 \text{ (H)}) \text{ g mol}^{-1}$ = 284.47 g mol⁻¹

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The number of moles in 1.00 g is therefore:

number of moles = mass / molar mass = $(1.00 \text{ g}) / (284.47 \text{ g mol}^{-1}) = 0.00353 \text{ mol}$

The chemical equation shows that 18 mol of $CO_2(g)$ are produced from every 1 mol of $C_{18}H_{36}O_2(s)$. The number of moles of $CO_2(g)$ produced is therefore (18 × 0.00353 mol) = 0.06328 mol.

The molar mass of CO₂ is $(12.01 (C) + 2 \times 16.00 (O))$ g mol⁻¹ = 44.01 g mol⁻¹. The mass of CO₂ produced is therefore:

mass of CO_2 = number of moles × molar mass = (0.06328 mol) × (44.01 g mol⁻¹) = 2.78 g

Answer: 2.78 g

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• Consider the two triprotic acids, phosphoric acid and citric acid.

	OH	CH ₂ COOH		
	о=р-он	но-с-соон		
	О́Н		CH ₂ COOH	
Acid	Formula	K _{a1}	K _{a2}	K _{a3}
phosphoric	H_3PO_4	7.1×10^{-3}	6.3×10^{-8}	4.5×10^{-13}
citric	$C_6H_8O_7$	7.1×10^{-4}	1.7×10^{-5}	6.4×10^{-6}

Explain why $K_{a1} > K_{a2} > K_{a3}$ for both acids.

It is more difficult to remove a proton from a negatively charged species, so $K_{a1} > K_{a2} > K_{a3}$ for all acids. *i.e.* K_{a1} , K_{a2} and K_{a3} correspond to removal of H⁺ from H₃PO₄, H₂PO₄⁻ and HPO₄²⁻ respectively. This process gets harder and harder because a positively charged proton is having to be removed from a negatively charged molecule.

For phosphoric acid, the K_a values differ by about 5 orders of magnitude while for citric acid there is a much smaller difference. Explain.

The number of resonance structures for the various conjugate bases are:

2 for $H_2PO_4^-$; 3 for HPO_4^{2-} ; and 4 for PO_4^{3-} 2 for $C_6H_7O_7^-$; 4 for $C_6H_6O_7^{2-}$; and 8 for $C_6H_5O_7^{3-}$

The conjugate bases for citric acid are more stable (because they have greater resonance stabilisation) so the corresponding acids are all stronger.

Alternatively, the increasing negative charges in the conjugate bases are being formed in different parts of the molecule in the case of citric acid, whereas they are all very close to each other in phosphoric acid. Again, the formation of the conjugate base series of citric acid is therefore easier and the acids are therefore stronger.

Marks • Henry's law relates the solubility of a gas to its pressure. *i.e.* c = kp4 The Henry's law constant for N₂(g) at 298 K is 6.8×10^{-4} mol L⁻¹ atm⁻¹. A diver descends to a depth where the pressure is 5 atm. If the diver's body contains about 5 L of blood, calculate the maximum amount of nitrogen gas dissolved in the diver's blood at 1 atm and at 5 atm. (Assume solubility of nitrogen in water and blood to be the same.) At the surface, p = 1 atm and so: $c = kp = (6.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol } \text{L}^{-1} \text{ atm}^{-1}) \times (1 \text{ atm}) = 6.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol } \text{L}^{-1}$ Hence, the amount of N_2 in 5 L is number of moles = concentration × volume $= (6.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol } \text{L}^{-1}) \times (5 \text{ L}) = 0.003 \text{ mol}$ When p = 5 atm and so: $c = (6.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol } \text{L}^{-1} \text{ atm}^{-1}) \times (5 \text{ atm}) = 3.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol } \text{L}^{-1}$ Hence, the amount of N₂ in 5 L is number of moles = $(3.4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol } \text{L}^{-1}) \times (5 \text{ L}) = 0.02 \text{ mol}$ 1 atm: 3×10^{-3} mol 5 atm: 2×10^{-2} mol If all the gas dissolved at 5 atm were suddenly released, what volume would it occupy at 1 atm and 298 K? Using the ideal gas law, PV = nRT, with $n = 2 \times 10^{-2}$ mol:

$$V = nRT / P = (2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol})(0.08206 \text{ L atm K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1})(298 \text{ K}) / (1 \text{ atm}) = 0.4 \text{ L}$$

Answer: 0.4 L

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Marks • A buffer system with a weak base B and its conjugate acid HB⁺ is shown in the 7 diagram below with equal concentrations. Complete the diagram by showing the relative concentrations after the addition of some HCl or NaOH. HB^+ В **HCl** NaOH HB^+ В В HB^+ Write down the balanced net ionic equations for both these reactions. $HB^+(aq) + OH^-(aq) \rightarrow B + H_2O(l)$ $B(aq) + H^{+}(aq) \rightarrow HB^{+}(aq)$ Calculate the pH of a buffer if it contains 0.200 mol of NaNO₂ and 0.300 mol of HNO₂ in 1.00 L of water. The pK_a of HNO₂ is 3.15. The concentrations of acid (HNO₂) and base (NO₂⁻) are: concentration of acid = number of moles / volume $= (0.300 \text{ mol} / 1.00 \text{ L}) = 0.300 \text{ mol} \text{ L}^{-1}$ concentration of base = $(0.200 \text{ mol} / 1.00 \text{ L}) = 0.200 \text{ mol} \text{ L}^{-1}$ The pH of this buffer can then be calculated using the Henderson-Hasselbalch equation: $pH = pK_a + \log\frac{[base]}{[acid]} = 3.15 + \log\frac{0.200}{0.300} = 2.97$ pH = 2.97 What is the pH if (a) 0.05 mol of HCl(g) and (b) 0.25 mol of HCl(g) is added? HCl will react with the NO₂⁻ to form HNO₂. (a) 0.05 mol of HCl(g) will react with 0.05 mol of the NO₂⁻ present to form an additional 0.05 mol of HNO₂. The amount of NO₂⁻ will decrease by 0.05 mol: concentration of acid = $(0.35 \text{ mol} / 1.00 \text{ L}) = 0.35 \text{ mol} \text{ L}^{-1}$ concentration of base = $(0.15 \text{ mol} / 1.00 \text{ L}) = 0.15 \text{ mol} \text{ L}^{-1}$ ANSWER CONTINUES ON THE NEXT PAGE

Hence:

pH = p
$$K_a$$
 + log $\frac{[base]}{[acid]}$ = 3.15 + log $\frac{0.15}{0.35}$ = 2.78

(b) 0.25 mol of HCl(g) will react *all* of the NO₂⁻. As there is only 0.200 mol of NO₂⁻ present, 0.05 mol of HCl will remain unreacted. As HCl is a strong acid, this will completely ionize to give $[H^+(aq)] = 0.05$ mol L⁻¹. Hence:

 $pH = -log_{10}[H^+(aq)] = -log_{10}(0.05) = 1.30$

• The radioactive isotope ^{99m}Tc has a half life of 6.0 hours. How much time after production of the ^{99m}Tc isotope do radiologists have to examine a patient if at least 35 % of the original activity is required to get useful exposures?

If the half life is 6.0 hours, the activity coefficient, λ , is:

 $\lambda = \ln 2 / t_{1/2} = \ln 2 / (6.0 \text{ hours}) = 0.116 \text{ hours}^{-1}$

As the activity is proportional to the number of nuclei present, the activity at a time *t* is related to the original activity by:

 $\ln(A_0 / A_t) = \lambda t$

If $A_t = 0.35 \times A_0$ **then:**

 $\ln(1/0.35) = (0.116 \text{ hours}^{-1})t$

t = 9.1 hours

Answer: 9.1 hours

• Consider the following *unbalanced* reaction at 25 °C:

$$Fe^{3+}(aq) + Sn^{2+}(aq) \rightarrow Fe^{2+}(aq) + Sn^{4+}(aq)$$

Calculate the standard cell potential.

The two half cells and the standard reduction potentials are:

 $Fe^{3+}(aq) + e^- \rightarrow Fe^{2+}(aq)$ $E_{red}^{\circ} = +0.77 V$ Sn⁴⁺(aq) + 2e⁻ → Sn²⁺(aq) $E_{red}^{\circ} = +0.15 V$

As the Sn^{4+} / Sn^{2+} cell has the least positive reduction potential, it is reversed and becomes the oxidation half cell:

 $\operatorname{Sn}^{2+}(\operatorname{aq}) \rightarrow \operatorname{Sn}^{4+}(\operatorname{aq}) + 2e \quad E_{ox}^{\circ} = -0.15 \text{ V}$

Hence, the standard cell potential is:

 $E^{\circ} = (+0.77 \text{ V}) + (-0.15 \text{ V}) = +0.62 \text{ V}$

Answer: +0.62 V

Calculate the equilibrium constant, K, for the reaction at 25 °C.

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Using the half cell reactions above, the balanced equation is:

 $2Fe^{3+}(aq) + Sn^{2+}(aq) \rightarrow 2Fe^{2+} + Sn^{4+}(aq)$

It involves the transfer of 2 electrons. The equilibrium constant for this 2 electron reaction is therefore given by:

 $E^{\circ} = (RT/nF)\ln K$ $\ln K = E^{\circ} \times (nF / RT) = (0.62) \times (2 \times 96485) / (8.314 \times 298) = 48.3$ $K = 9.4 \times 10^{20}$

Answer: 9.4×10^{20}

• The observed geometry of the N atom in H₂NCOCH₃ is trigonal planar. Draw a Lewis structure consistent with this observation and explain this observation.

The canonical form on the right is a significant contributor to the resonance stabilised molecule. The N atom in this structure is sp^2 hybridised with trigonal planar geometry.

This hybridisation means that the 'lone pair' is in a *p*-orbital on N and is able to become involved in π bonding with the C=O. This resonance acts to strengthen the N-C bond.

• The reaction $2A + B \rightarrow C + 3D$ has reached equilibrium. What is the expression for the equilibrium constant, K_c ?

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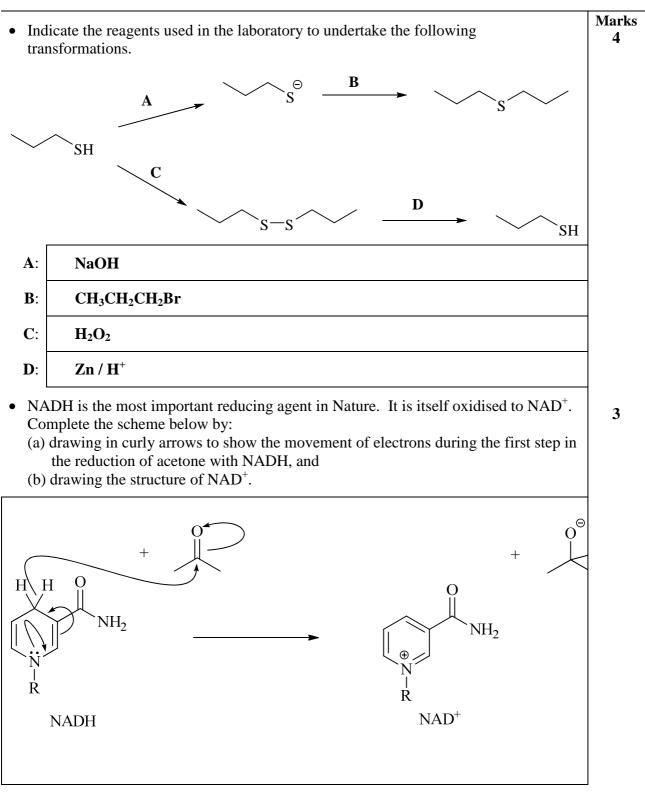
$$K_{\rm c} = \frac{[{\rm C}][{\rm D}]^3}{[{\rm A}]^2[{\rm B}]}$$

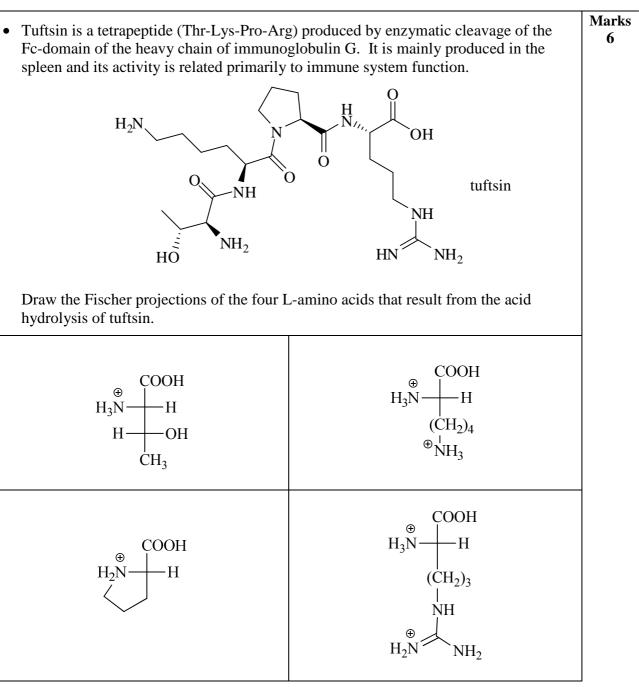
Explain how the equilibrium constant, K_c , changes when more C is added to the reaction mixture.

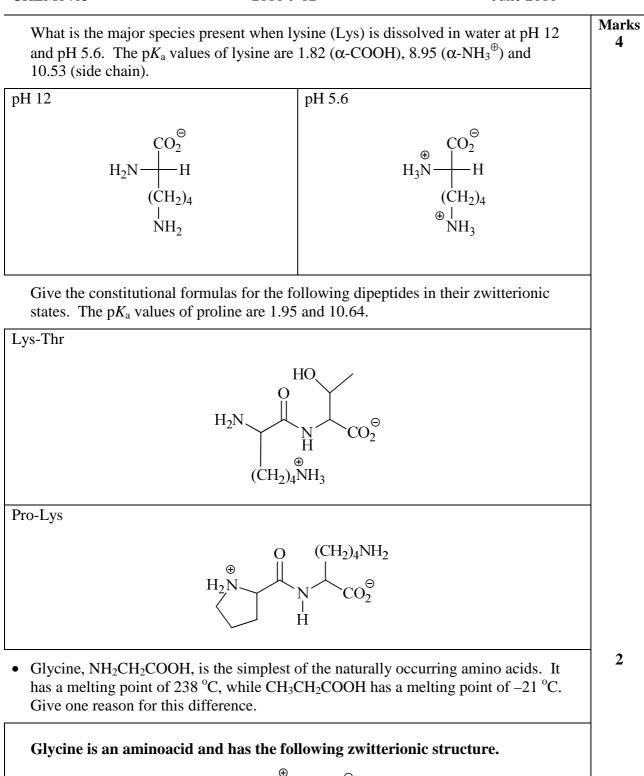
*K*_c is the equilibrium constant: it does not change.

 $K_{\rm c}$ changes only with temperature.

• Complete the following table.				
STARTING MATERIAL	REAGENTS/ CONDITIONS	CONSTITUTIONAL FORMULA(S) OF MAJOR ORGANIC PRODUCT(S)		
	HCl / CCl4 solvent	Cl		
ОН	CH ₃ COCl			
CH ₃ CH ₂ CHCH ₂ CH ₃ Br	N(CH ₃) ₃	$\begin{array}{c} CH_{3}CH_{2}CHCH_{2}CH_{3}\\ & {}^{\ominus} \oplus \\ Br & N(CH_{3})_{3} \end{array}$		
HO	$\operatorname{Cr_2O_7}^{2\Theta}/\operatorname{H}^{\textcircled{\oplus}}$	СООН		
	3 M NaOH / heat	HOCO_2^ $^{\ominus}$		
Н ОН	catalytic H^{\oplus}	ОН		

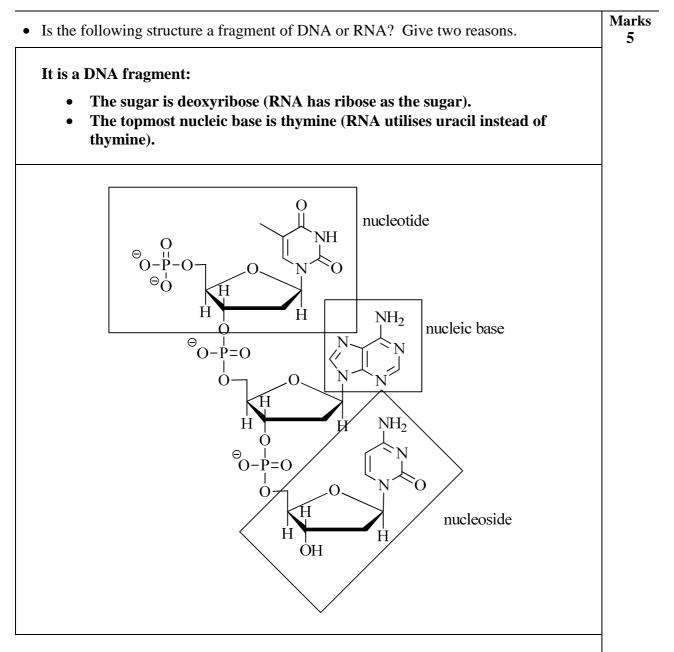






$$H_3N$$
 CO_2^{Θ}

Propionic acid has strong hydrogen bonds, giving it a relatively high m.p. However, glycine has very strong ionic bonds between the $\rm NH_3^+$ and $\rm CO_2^-$ groups giving it very high melting point.

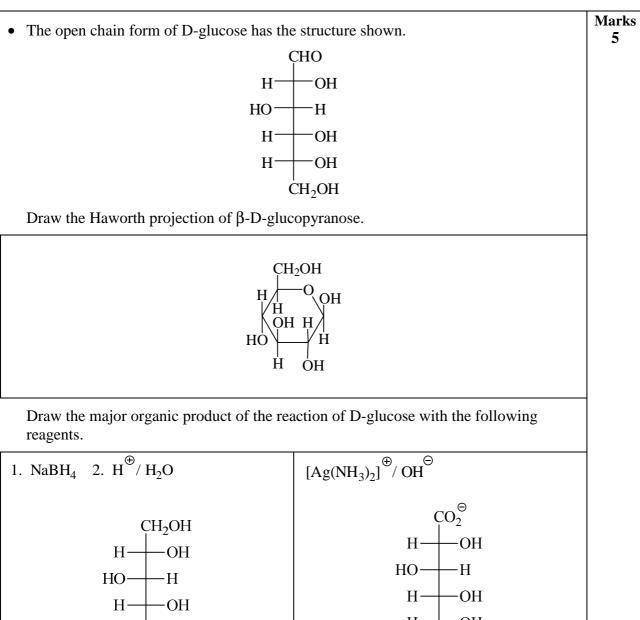


Clearly identify on the above structure one example of each of the following subunits.

nucleic base – **see above** nucleoside – **see above** nucleotide **- see above**

-OH

H-



H--OH ĊH₂OH ĊH₂OH

Would you expect D-glucose to be water soluble? Why?

H-

-OH

Yes - it contains a large number of alcohol groups which will form hydrogen bonds with water.