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## 9701 CHEMISTRY

**9701/43** Paper 4 (A2 Structured Questions), maximum raw mark 100

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**1 (a)** $Cr^{3+}$: $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$ **$3s^2$ $3p^6$ $3d^3$** [1]
$Mn^{2+}$: $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$ **$3s^2$ $3p^6$ $3d^5$** [1]
**[2]**

**(b) (i)** Any two from
- $H^+$ is on the oxidant/L.H. side of each of the ½-equations, *or* $H^+$ is a reactant
- (increasing $[H^+]$) will make $E^\ominus$ more positive
- (increasing $[H^+]$) will drive the reaction over to the R.H./reductant side *or* forward direction

[1] + [1]

**(ii)** $KMnO_4$: Purple/violet to colourless (allow ***very*** pale pink) [1]
$K_2Cr_2O_7$ Orange to green [1]
**[4]**

**(c) (i)** $MnO_2 + SO_2 \longrightarrow MnSO_4$ (*or* $Mn^{2+} + SO_4^{2-}$) [1]

manganese changes/is reduced from +4 to +2 [1]
sulfur changes/is oxidised from +4 to +6 [1]

**(ii)** **No effect**, because $H^+$ does not appear in the overall equation *or* its effect on the $MnO_2/Mn^{2+}$ change is cancelled out by its effect on the $SO_2/SO_4^{2-}$ change [1]
**[4]**

**(d) (i)** $MnO_2 + 4H^+ + Sn^{2+} \longrightarrow Mn^{2+} + 2H_2O + Sn^{4+}$ [1]

**(ii)** $n(MnO_4^-) = 0.02 \times 18.1/1000 = 3.62 \times 10^{-4}$ mol [1]
$n(Sn^{2+}) = 3.62 \times 10^{-4} \times 5/2 = 9.05 \times 10^{-4}$ mol [1]
$n(Sn^{2+})$ that reacted with $MnO_2 = (20 - 9.05) \times 10^{-4} = 1.095 \times 10^{-3}$ mol [1]
reaction is 1:1, so this is also $n(MnO_2)$
mass of $MnO_2 = 1.095 \times 10^{-3} \times (54.9+16+16) = 0.0952$ g [1]
$\Rightarrow$ **95% – 96%;** 2 or more s.f. [1]
**[6]**

**[Total: 16]**

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**2 (a) (i)** A molecule/ion/species with a lone pair (of electrons) *or* electron pair donor...
.... that bonds to a metal ion/transition element.... [1]

**(ii)** ...by means of a dative/coordinate (covalent) bond [1]
**[2]**

**(b) (i)** straight line from (0, 0.01) to point at (350, 0.0028) with all points on the line [1]

**(ii)** order w.r.t. $Cr(CO)_6$ is 1 **and** order w.r.t. $PR_3$ is zero [1]
because **(a)** $Cr(CO)_6$ graph has a constant half-life (which is 700 s)
*or* construction lines on graph showing this) [1]
because **(b)** $PR_3$ graph is a straight line (of constant slope) *or* line shows a constant rate of reaction *or* no change in rate *or* shows a linear decrease [1]

**(iii)** rate = $k[Cr(CO)_6]$ [1]

k = (**0.9 – 1.1) × $10^{-3}$** ($s^{-1}$) (one or more s.f.) [1]

*either* $rate_0 = 0.01/1020 = 9.8 \times 10^{-6}$ mol $sec^{-1}$ when $[Cr(CO)_6] = 0.01$ mol $dm^{-3}$
so $k = 9.8 \times 10^{-6}/0.01 =$ **$9.8 \times 10^{-4}$**
*or* $t_{1/2} \approx 700$ sec
$k = 0.693/700 =$ **$9.9 \times 10^{-4}$**

**(iv)** (units of k are) **$sec^{-1}$** [1]

**(v)** N.B. the chosen mechanism must be consistent with the rate equation in **(iii)**. Thus:
*either* if rate = $k[Cr(CO)_6]$
mechanism **B** is consistent [1]
because it's the only mechanism that does NOT involve $PR_3$ in its slow/rate-determining step *or* only $Cr(CO)_6$ is involved in slow step *or* $[PR_3]$ does not affect the rate [1]

**or**

if rate = $k[Cr(CO)_6][PR_3]$, then
mechanism **A** or **C** or **D** is consistent [1]
because both reactants are involved in slow step [1]
**[9]**

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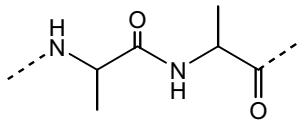
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**3 (a) (i)** **E** is $CH_3CH(NH_2)CN$ [1]

**(ii)** $C_6H_5CH_2CHO$ [1]
**[2]**

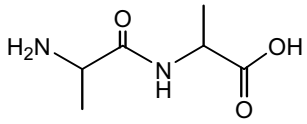
**(b) (i)** a polymer/polypeptide of amino acids, (joined by peptide bonds)
(allow '**chain** of amino acids' but not 'sequence': the idea of 'many' has to be conveyed)
[1]

**(ii)**



peptide bond shown in full (C=O) in an ala-ala fragment in a chain [1]
two repeat units [1]

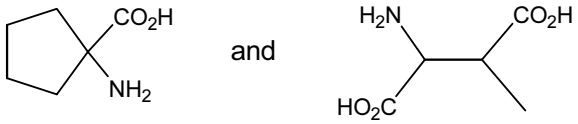
Allow peptide bond shown in full (C=O) in a dipeptide ala-ala for 1 mark



**[3]**

**(c) (i)** HC*l or* $H_2SO_4$ *or* NaOH *or* $H^+$ *or* $OH^-$ reagents [1]
+ heat and $H_2O$/aq (allow $H_3O^+$).
If T is quoted, 80 $^oC$ < T < 120 $^oC$. NOT warm. conditions [1]

**(ii)**

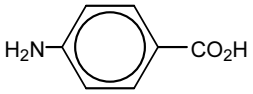
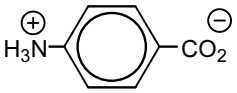
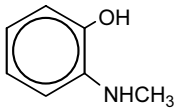
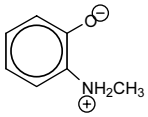
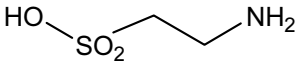
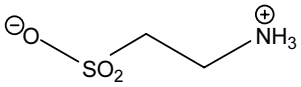



(if a structural formula, it must have all H atoms) allow protonated or deprotonated versions [1] + [1]
**[max 3]**

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**(d) (i)** $NH_3^+–CH(CH_3)–CO_2^-$ [1]

**(ii)**

| compound | zwitterion |
|---|---|
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |

[3]
**[4]**

**(e) (i)** A buffer is a solution whose pH stays **fairly** constant *or* which maintains **roughly** the same pH *or* which resists/minimises changes in pH [1]
when **small/moderate** amounts of acid/$H^+$ or alkali/$OH^-$ are added [1]

**(ii)** $NH_2CH(CH_3)CO_2H + H(Cl) \longrightarrow {}^+NH_3CH(CH_3)CO_2H\ (+ Cl^-)$ [1]

**(iii)** blood contain **$HCO_3^-$** (*or* in an equation) [1]
which absorbs $H^+$ *or* equn $H^+ + HCO_3^- \longrightarrow H_2CO_3\ (H_2O + CO_2)$
*or* absorbs $OH^-$ *or* equn $OH^- + HCO_3^- \longrightarrow CO_3^{2-} + H_2O$ [1]

**(iv)** $[CH_3CO_2Na] = 0.05\ [CH_3CO_2H] = 0.075$ [1]
pH = 4.76 + log (0.05/0.075) = **4.58** *or* **4.6** [1]
**[7]**

**[Total: 19]**

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**4** **(a)** $Ca(NO_3)_2 \longrightarrow CaO + 2NO_2 + ½\ O_2$ [1]
**[1]**

**(b)** (down the group) nitrates become **more stable** *or* require a higher temperature to decompose [1]
as size/radius of (cat)**ion** increases *or* charge density **of ion** decreases [1]
so polarisation/distortion of **anion/nitrate** decreases [1]
**[3]**

**(c)** **(i)** $Li_2CO_3 \longrightarrow Li_2O + CO_2$ [1]

**(ii)** radius of Li ion/$Li^+$ is less than that of Na ion/$Na^+$ (or polarising power of $M^+$ is greater) [1]

**(iii)** Brown/orange fumes/gas would be evolved *or* glowing splint relights [1]
Since the nitrate is likely to be thermally unstable *or* decomposes (just like the carbonate) *or* the balanced equation: $2LiNO_3 \longrightarrow Li_2O + 2NO_2 + ½O_2$ [1]
**[4]**

**[Total: 8]**

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**5** **(a)** Alkanes are non-polar *or* have no dipole *or* C–H bonds are strong *or* C and H have similar electronegativities [1]

**[1]**

**(b)** **(i)** (free) radical substitution *or* substitution by homolytic fission [1]

**(ii)** initiation: $Cl_2 \longrightarrow 2Cl^{\bullet}$ [1]

propagation: $Cl^{\bullet} + C_2H_6 \longrightarrow C_2H_5^{\bullet} + HCl$

$C_2H_5^{\bullet} + Cl_2 \longrightarrow C_2H_5Cl + Cl^{\bullet}$ [1]

termination: $C_2H_5^{\bullet} + Cl^{\bullet} \longrightarrow C_2H_5Cl$

or $Cl^{\bullet} + Cl^{\bullet} \longrightarrow Cl_2$ etc [1]

all 3 names [1]

**(iii)**

| structural formula of by-product | formed by |
|---|---|
| **$CH_2Cl–CH_2Cl$ (or isomer)** | **further substitution** |
| **$CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_3$** | **(termination of 2 ×) $C_2H_5^{\bullet}$** |
| **$CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2Cl$ (or isomer)** | **substitution of $C_4H_{10}$ by-product** |

[3]

accept in the "formed by" column the formulae of radicals that will produce the compound in the "by-product" column, or the reagents, e.g. $C_4H_9^{\bullet} + Cl_2$ *or* $C_4H_9^{\bullet} + Cl^{\bullet}$ *or* $C_4H_{10} + Cl_2$ (giving $CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2Cl$).

do not allow anything more C*l*–substituted than **di**chlorobutane.

N.B. $C_2H_5Cl$ is the **major** product, not a **by**-product, so do not allow $C_2H_5Cl$.

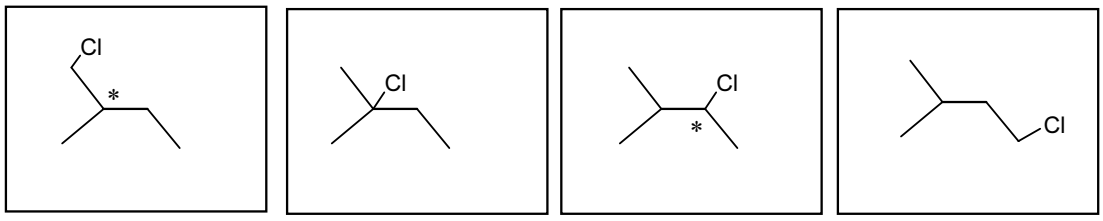
**(iv)** J/K = **2.3 : 1** *or* 7:3 *or* 21:9 [2]

(reason: straightforward relative rate suggests 21:1, but there are 9 primary to 1 tertiary, so divide this ratio by 9. 21/9 = 2.33)

allow [1] mark if J/K ratio is given as 21:1;

**[10]**

**(c)**




4 isomers 4 × [1]

2 chiral atoms identified correctly, even in incorrect structures [1] + [1]

**[max 5]**

**[Total: 16]**

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**6 (a) (i)** **K**, because it is the (only) one to contain nitrogen *or* it's an amino acid
*or* because it contains $CO_2H$ *or* NH groups [1]

**(ii)** molecule: **J,** polymer: RNA (**not** DNA) [1]
*or* molecule: **L,** polymer: starch, cellulose, glycogen or polysaccharide (**not** carbohydrate)
**[2]**

**(b) (i)** Covalent bonding [1]

**(ii)** Hydrogen bonding [1]

**(iii)** Ionic/electrovalent bonding *or* disulphide/–S–S– bonding *or* van der Waals' forces [1]
**[3]**

**(c) (i)** Enzymes [1]

**(ii)**
- change in pH
- increase in T (NOT decrease; T > 40 °C or "too high" are OK)
- addition of heavy metal ions *or* specific, e.g. $Hg^{2+}$, $Ag^{+}$. $Pb^{2+}$ etc.

any two bullet points [1] + [1]

change in pH disrupts ionic bonds
*or* metal ions disrupt ionic bonds
*or* metal ions disrupt –S–S– bonds
*or* heating disrupts hydrogen bonds

any one [1]

This changes: the 3D structure *or* shape of the enzyme *or* the active site [1]
**[max 4]**

**[Total: 9]**

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**7 (a)**

| structural information | analytical technique |
|---|---|
| three-dimensional arrangement of atoms and bonds in a molecule | X-ray crystallography/diffraction |
| chemical environment of protons in a molecule | NMR (spectroscopy) **only** |
| identity of amino acids present in a polypeptide | Electrophoresis / chromatography / mass spectrometry |

[1] + [1] + [1]
**[3]**

**(b) (i)** **paper chromatography;**
The components **partition** between the solvent/moving phase and the water/liquid stationary phase *or* separation relies on different solubilities (of components) in the moving solvent and the stationary water phase. [1]

**(ii)** **thin-layer chromatography.**
Separation depends on the differential **adsorption** of the components onto the solid particles/phase *or* $Al_2O_3$ *or* $SiO_2$. [1]
**[2]**

**(c) (i)** No. of carbon atoms present = $\frac{0.2 \times 100}{5.9 \times 1.1}$ = 3.08 hence 3 carbons [1]

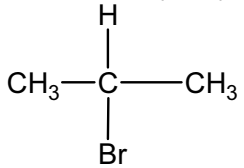
**(ii)** Bromine [1]

**(iii)** **One** bromine is present as there is only an M+2 peak / no M+4 peak *or* the M and M+2 peaks are of similar height [1]

**(iv)** *NMR spectrum shows a single hydrogen split by many adjacent protons and 6 protons in an identical chemical environment. This suggests...*
two $-CH_3$ groups and a lone proton attached to the central carbon atom [1]

Empirical formula of **N** is $C_3H_7Br$ [1]

Hence **N** is $(CH_3)_2CHBr$ *or*




[1]
**[6]**

**[Total: 11]**

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**8 (a) (i)** Soluble form would be most effective [1]

**(ii)** **Q**, since the 'mini-pills'/granules/powder have a larger surface area
*or* **P,** because it has no protective casing [1]

**(iii)** The gel coat stops it being broken down while passing through the upper part of the digestive system/stomach
*or* the gel coat is stable to stomach acid. [1]
**[3]**

**(b)** The drug is taken quickly/directly to the target
*or* more accurate dosing can be achieved [1]

When the drug is taken by mouth it has to pass through the stomach/intestine wall to get into the bloodstream. *or* some is digested/lost to the system [1]
**[2]**

**(c) (i)** condensation (polymerisation) [1]

**(ii)** hydrogen bonds *or* van der Waals' [1]

**(iii)** It would change the overall shape of the (drug) molecule
The 'fit' into the active site would be less effective [1] + [1]

**(iv)** Hydrolysis [1]
**[5]**

**[Total: 10]**

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