

CHM 1311 C/E  
Assignment 1: Sept. 13, 2007

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student number \_\_\_\_\_

mark: \_\_\_/4; \_\_\_/6; \_\_\_/2 = \_\_\_/12

This assignment is worth 1% of your final grade

Answer all questions in the space provided. Make sure to include all units in your final answer. Missing units in a final answer results in loss of 1 mark. Mathematical errors will result in loss of 1 mark to a maximum of 1 mark per question. Be legible – if we can't read it we can't mark it. Use ink on the copy you hand in.

Due date: please return to me in class on Tuesday, Sept. 18.

Question 1: Write the molecular and empirical formula for each of the following (4 marks).

molecule	empirical formula	molecular formula
ethene $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$	$\text{CH}_2$	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$
ethanol $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O}$	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O}$
acetic acid $\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{O}_2$	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{O}_2$
glycine $\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{O}_2\text{N}$	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{O}_2\text{N}$

0.5 each.

I don't care about the order

Question 2: Ethanol is oxidized to acetic acid according to the equation below. If 1 gram of ethanol reacts with 1 gram of  $\text{O}_2$ , what mass of acetic acid will be generated (6 marks)?



① To balance:  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + 1\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H} + 1\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (ie as written so they could skip this)

$$1\text{g } \text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O} \times \frac{1\text{mol}}{46\text{g/mol}} = 0.02\text{mol (1 sig fig!)} \text{ ①}$$

$$1\text{g } \text{O}_2 \times \frac{1\text{mol}}{32\text{g}} = 0.03\text{mol (1 sig fig!)} \text{ ①}$$

∴  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O}$  is the limiting reagent ①, and based on stoichiometry  
 $0.02\text{mol } \text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O}$  made  $0.02\text{mol} \times 60\text{g/mol} = 1\text{g}$  made (1 sig fig!) ①

Question 3: The radioactive element Californium,  $^{240}_{98}\text{Cf}$ , decomposes by the loss of an  $\alpha$ -particle ( $^4_2\text{He}$ ). ①  
 What element (and isotope) results (2 marks)?

