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Midterm 1

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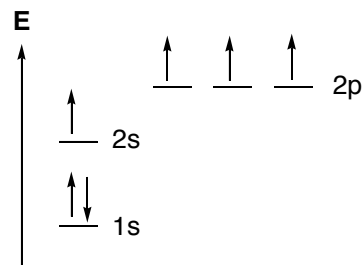
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Midterm: 1h : 15min

Question	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Points	10	5	5	10	6	4	10	10	60
Remarks									

1) (10 points) a) A student draws the orbital energy diagram below to a carbon atom. This diagram does not follow one of the rules (circle one):

- UNCERTAINTY principle
- HUND's rule
- **AUFBAU principle**
- PAULI's principle of exclusion



b) Abbreviated electron configuration Mn^{II} cation is:

[Ar]3d⁵

c) Family (or group) of elements noble gas was not included in the original version of Mendeleev's periodic table because these elements were not discovered in 1871.

d) Of the following, which has the highest second ionization energy?

Mg Al **Na** Si

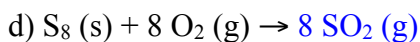
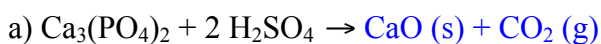
e) Distinguish between a mineral, an ore and a rock

Minerals – solid inorganic substances occurring in nature having a definite chemical composition and characteristic crystalline structure.

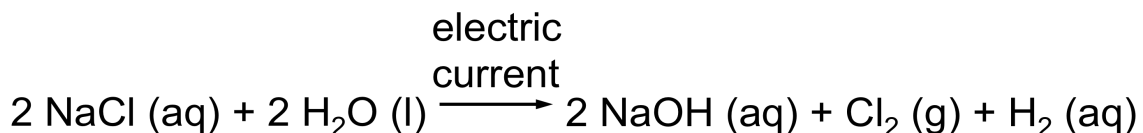
Ore: a mineral or rock containing a sufficiently high concentration of an element to constitute an economically feasible source from which the element can be recovered.

Rocks – contain mixtures of minerals in varying proportions

2) (5 pts) Complete and balance the following chemical reactions:



e) How NaOH is prepared industrially?



3) (5 points) a) What are the major characteristics of a metal

1. All except Hg are solid at room temperature
2. Most have a silvery shine
3. Can be easily shaped (malleable) and drawn (ductile)
4. Are good conductors of heat and electricity

b) Which one, NaCl or NaI, would be expected to have higher melting point? Explain your reasoning.

NaCl, because Cl is smaller than iodine; the charge is more concentrated (charge density is higher) and the ionic attraction will be stronger in NaCl than in NaI. The stronger the ionic attraction, the higher the temperature needed to melt the ionic lattice.

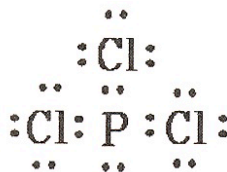
4) (10 points)

a) Construct electron-dot diagrams for:

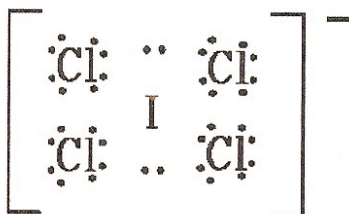
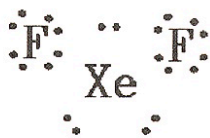
- a) oxygen difluoride
- b) phosphorus trichloride
- c) xenon difluoride
- d) ICl_4^-



(a)

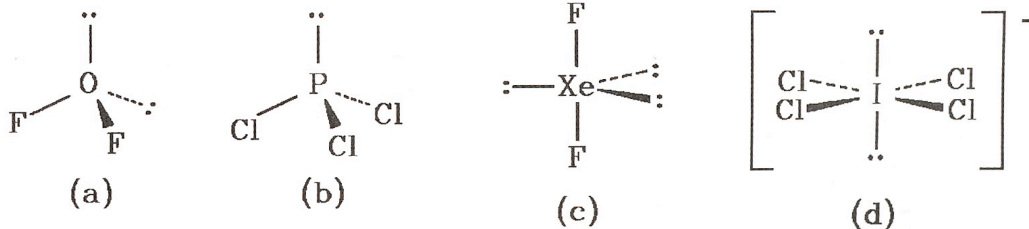


(b)



b) For each of the previous molecule in this question, determine the electron pair arrangement and the molecular shape according to the VSEPR theory.

- a) tetrahedral, V-Shaped
- b) tetrahedral, trigonal pyramidal
- c) trigonal bipyramidal, linear
- d) octahedral, square planar



c) For each of these polyatomic molecule in this question, determine if they are polar or non polar

- a) polar
- b) polar
- c) non polar
- d) non polar

5) (6 points) Which one of each of the following pairs will be smaller? Explain your reasoning in each case.

- a) K or K^+
- b) K^+ or Ca^{2+}
- c) Br^- or Rb^+

- (a) K^+ , because the radius will be determined by the inner orbitals (2s and 2p) while the radius of K is determined by the 3s orbital.
- (b) Ca^{2+} , because the ions are isoelectronic but calcium has one more proton, and hence a higher Z_{eff} and a smaller ionic radius.
- (c) Rb^+ , because again the ions are isoelectronic, and hence a higher Z_{eff} and smaller ionic radius.

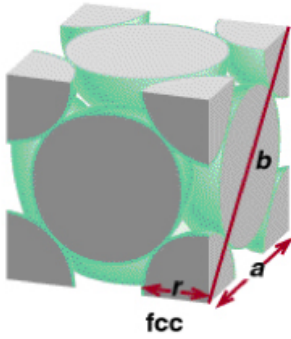
6) (4 points) For the elements Sodium and Magnesium, which has the higher first ionization energy? Second ionization energy? Third ionization energy

Election configuration: $\text{Na } 1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^1$; $\text{Mg} = 1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2$. Because the 2s electrons of magnesium experience a higher effective nuclear charge than those of sodium, magnesium will have the higher first ionization energy. For sodium, the second electron to be removed will come from the inner 2p orbitals. Hence it will be sodium that has the higher second ionization energy. In both cases, the third electron to be removed will come from the 2p orbitals. The 2p electron of magnesium will experience the higher effective nuclear charge. Thus magnesium will have the higher third ionization energy.

7) (10 points) (this may not be covered in time for midterm 1)

- a) In a face centered cubic unit cell, the atoms are usually touch across the diagonal of the face. If the atomic radius is r , calculate the length of each side of the unit cell. How many atoms are in a face centered cubic cell?

face-centered cubic



$$b = 4r$$

$$b^2 = a^2 + a^2$$

$$16r^2 = 2a^2$$

$$a = \sqrt{8}r$$

Four atoms in a face centered cubic cell

- b) The atoms in silver metal are arranged in a face-centered cubic unit cell. Calculate the radius of a silver atom if the density of silver is $10.50 \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$

A face-centered cubic unit cell contains four atoms.

$$\text{Thus mass} = \frac{4 \times 107.9 \text{ g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}}{6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}} = 7.17 \times 10^{-22} \text{ g}$$

$$\text{Volume} = \frac{7.17 \times 10^{-22} \text{ g}}{10.50 \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}} = 6.83 \times 10^{-23} \text{ cm}^3 = 6.83 \times 10^7 \text{ pm}^3$$

$$\text{Length of side} = \sqrt[3]{(6.83 \times 10^7 \text{ pm}^3)} = 409 \text{ pm}$$

$$\text{Using the result from 4.17, radius of silver atom} = (409 \text{ pm}) / (2.83) = 145 \text{ pm}.$$

8) (10 points) Which is the most stable form? Explain why.

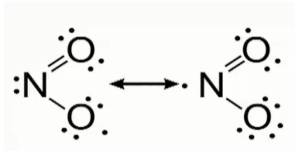
a) Which isomer is more stable? Hydrogen Cyanide ($\text{H}-\text{C}\equiv\text{N}:$) or hydrogen isocyanide ($\text{H}-\text{N}\equiv\text{C}:$)

Use formal charges: Hydrogen Cyanide ($\text{H}-\text{C}\equiv\text{N}:$)
Formal charge on C=0; on N= 0

Whereas in the case of hydrogen isocyanide ($\text{H}-\text{N}\equiv\text{C}:$):
Formal charge on C=1; on N= +1

Therefore Hydrogen Cyanide would be the stable form

b) Which resonance structure is more stable?



Structure on the left has one unpaired electron on the oxygen whereas the structure on the right contain one unpaired electron on the nitrogen.

Structure on the left: formal charges are zero on each atom

Structure on the right: nitrogen has +1 as formal charge

Oxygen with two lone pairs has a formal charge of 0

Oxygen with three lone pairs has a formal charge of -1

Therefore structure on the left be more stable and will contribute more towards the resonance structure.

