

## Module 1: Development of practical skills in chemistry

### 1.1 Practical skills assessed in the written examination

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Experimental design, including to solve problems set in a practical context  
 Identification of variables that must be controlled, where appropriate  
 Evaluation that an experimental method is appropriate to meet the expected outcomes  
 How to use a wide range of practical apparatus and techniques correctly  
 Appropriate units for measurements  
 Presenting observations and data in an appropriate format  
 Processing, analysing and interpreting qualitative and quantitative experimental results  
 Use of appropriate mathematical skills for analysis of quantitative data  
 Appropriate use of significant figures  
 Plotting and interpreting suitable graphs from experimental results including: selection and labelling of axes with appropriate scales, quantities and units  
 Plotting and interpreting suitable graphs from experimental results including: measurement of gradients and intercepts  
 Evaluate results and draw conclusions  
 Identify anomalies in experimental measurements  
 Identify the limitations in experimental procedures  
 Precision and accuracy of measurements and data (Margins of error, percentage error and apparatus uncertainties)  
 Refining experimental design by suggestion of improvements to the procedure and apparatus

## Module 2: Foundations in chemistry

### 2.1 Atoms and reactions

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Define isotope  
 Describe atomic structure in terms of protons, electrons, neutrons for atoms and ions given the atomic number, mass number and ionic charge  
 Explain the terms relative isotopic and relative atomic mass, based on the mass of a  $^{12}\text{C}$  atom  
 Use of mass spectrometry in: the determination of relative isotopic mass and relative abundances of its isotopes  
 Use of mass spectrometry in: calculation of the relative atomic mass from the relative abundances of its isotopes  
 Use of the terms relative molecular mass (Mr) and relative formula mass and their calculation from relative atomic masses  
 Write the formulae of ionic compounds from ionic charges including: prediction of ionic charge from the position in the periodic table  
 Write the formulae of ionic compounds from ionic charges including: recall of the names and formulae for the following ions:  $\text{NO}_3^-$ ,  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ,  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$ ,  $\text{OH}^-$ ,  $\text{NH}_4^+$ ,  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Ag}^+$   
 Construction of balanced equations (including ionic), with state symbols, for familiar and unfamiliar reactions  
 Explanation and use of the terms: amount of substance, mole, Avogadro constant, molar mass, molar gas volume  
 Use of the terms empirical formula and molecular formula  
 Calculations of empirical and molecular formulae from composition by mass or percentage compositions by mass and relative formula mass  
 Understand the terms anhydrous, hydrated and water of crystallisation  
 Calculation of the formula of a hydrated salt from percentage composition, mass composition or experimental results  
 Mole calculations involving: mass, gas volume, solution concentration and volume  
 Calculations involving the ideal gas equation:  $\text{pV} = \text{nRT}$   
 Use of stoichiometric relationships in calculations  
 Calculations to determine the percentage yield of a reaction or related quantities  
 Calculations to determine the atom economy of a reaction  
 Knowledge of techniques and procedures required during experiments requiring the measurement of mass, volumes of solutions and gas volumes  
 Benefits for sustainability of developing chemical processes with a high atom economy  
 Know the formulae of the common acids and alkalis  
 Explain acids release  $\text{H}^+$  ions in aqueous solutions and alkalis release  $\text{OH}^-$  ions in aqueous solutions  
 Explain qualitatively strong and weak acids in terms of dissociation  
 Understand neutralisation in terms of ions to form water and salts  
 Techniques and procedures used when preparing a standard solution of required concentration and carrying out an acid-base titration  
 Structured and non-structured titration calculations, based on experimental results for familiar and unfamiliar acids and bases  
 Rules for assigning and calculating oxidation number for atoms in elements, compounds and ions  
 Write formulae using oxidation numbers  
 Use Roman numerals to indicate the magnitude of the oxidation number where applicable  
 Explain oxidation and reduction in terms of electron transfer and changes in oxidation number  
 Full equations (not ionic) for the redox reactions of metals with acids to form salts  
 Interpretation of redox reactions to make predictions in terms of oxidation numbers and electron loss/gain

1.1 Practical skills assessed in the written examination

2.1 Atoms and reactions

| 2.2 Electrons, bonding and structure   |   |   |
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| 2.2 Electrons, bonding and structure   |   |   |
| Know the number of electrons that can fill the first four shells   |   |   |
| Define atom orbitals as: regions around the nucleus that can hold up to two electrons, with opposite spins   |   |   |
| Know the shapes of s and p orbitals; the number of orbitals making up s, p and d sub-shells and the number of electrons that can fill these shells |   |   |
| Know how to fill these orbitals  |   |   |
| Deduce the electron configuration of atoms given their atomic number (up to Z=36)  |   |   |
| Deduce the electron configuration of ions given the atomic number and ionic charge; limited to s and p-blocks (up to Z=36)                         |   |   |
| Define ionic bonding and use dot and cross diagrams  |   |   |
| Explain the solid structures of giant ionic lattices   |   |   |
| Explain the effect of structure and bonding on the physical properties of ionic compounds (melting and boiling points, electrical conductivity)    |   |   |
| Define covalent bonding  |   |   |
| Construct dot and cross diagrams to describe: single, double and dative covalent bonding   |   |   |
| Define and use the term average bond enthalpy  |   |   |
| Know the shapes of and bond angles in molecules and ions up to six electron pairs surrounding the central atom                                     |   |   |
| Use electron pair repulsion to explain these shapes of molecules and ions: linear, non-linear, trigonal planar, pyramidal, tetrahedral, octahedral |   |   |
| Define electronegativity   |   |   |
| Explain polar bond and permanent dipole within molecules containing covalently- bonded atoms with different electronegativities                    |   |   |
| Explain a polar molecule and overall dipole in terms of permanent dipole(s) and molecular shape  |   |   |
| Define intermolecular forces based on dipoles  |   |   |
| Define hydrogen bonding  |   |   |
| Explain the anomalous properties of water resulting from hydrogen bonding (density, melting and boiling points)                                    |   |   |
| Explanation of the solid structures of simple molecular lattices   |   |   |
| Explanation of the structure and bonding on the physical properties of covalent compounds with simple molecular structures                         |   |   |

## Module 3: Periodic table and energy

### 3.1 The periodic table

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| Describe the periodic table in terms of: atomic number, periods, periodicity and groups   |   |   |   |
| Describe the trend in electron configuration across periods 2 and 3   |   |   |   |
| Describe the classification of elements into s, p and d-blocks  |   |   |   |
| Define first ionisation energy  |   |   |   |
| Explain the trend in first ionisation energies across Periods 2 and 3 and down a group (attraction, nuclear charge and atomic radius)   |   |   |   |
| Predict from successive ionisation energies, the number of electrons in each shell of an atom and the group of an element   |   |   |   |
| Explain metallic bonding in terms of electrostatic attraction between cations and delocalised electrons   |   |   |   |
| Explain giant lattice structures e.g metals   |   |   |   |
| Explain the solid covalent lattices of carbon and silicon   |   |   |   |
| Explain the physical properties of giant metallic and giant covalent lattices   |   |   |   |
| Explain the variation in melting points across Periods 2 and 3  |   |   |   |
| Describe the outer shell $s^2$ electron configuration and the loss of these electrons in redox reactions to form $2+$ ions  |   |   |   |
| Describe the relative reactivities of the Group 2 elements shown by their reactions with oxygen, water and dilute acids   |   |   |   |
| Trend in reactivity in terms of the first and second ionisation energies of Group 2 elements down the group   |   |   |   |
| The action of water on Group 2 oxides and the approximate pH of any resulting solution  |   |   |   |
| Uses of Group 2 compounds as bases, including equations, e.g. $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$ in agriculture and $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$ and $\text{CaCO}_3$ as antacids                |   |   |   |
| Explain the trend in boiling points of $\text{Cl}_2$ , $\text{Br}_2$ and $\text{I}_2$ in terms of induced dipole-dipole interactions  |   |   |   |
| The outer shell $s^2p^5$ electron configuration of halogens and the gaining of one electron in many redox reactions to form $1-$ ions   |   |   |   |
| Trend in reactivity of the halogens, illustrated by the reaction with other halide ions   |   |   |   |
| Explanation of this trend in terms of attraction, atomic radius and electron shielding  |   |   |   |
| Explanation of the term disproportionation illustrated by: water purification, formation of bleach and reactions analogous to these   |   |   |   |
| The benefits and associated risks of chlorine use in water treatment  |   |   |   |
| The precipitation reactions, including ionic equations, of the aqueous anions $\text{Cl}^-$ , $\text{Br}^-$ and $\text{I}^-$ with aqueous silver ions followed by aqueous ammonia |   |   |   |
| Qualitative analysis of ions on a test-tube scale, processes and techniques needed to identify the specified ions in an unknown compound  |   |   |   |

### 3.2 Physical chemistry

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| Explain some chemical reactions are accompanied by enthalpy changes that are exothermic or endothermic   |   |   |   |
| Construct energy profile diagrams to show the difference in the enthalpy of reactants compare with products                                      |   |   |   |
| Explain qualitatively the term activation energy including the use of enthalpy profile diagrams  |   |   |   |
| Explanation and use of the terms: standard conditions, standard states; enthalpy change of reaction, formation, combustion and neutralisation    |   |   |   |
| Determination of enthalpy changes including the relationship: $q = mc\Delta T$   |   |   |   |
| Explanation of the term average bond enthalpy  |   |   |   |
| Explanation of exothermic and endothermic reactions in terms of enthalpy changes associated with making and breaking bonds                       |   |   |   |
| Use of average bond enthalpies to calculate enthalpy changes and related quantities  |   |   |   |
| Use Hess' law to determine indirectly: an enthalpy change of reaction from enthalpy changes of combustion  |   |   |   |
| Use Hess' law to determine indirectly: an enthalpy change of reaction from enthalpy changes of formation   |   |   |   |
| Use Hess' law to determine indirectly: from unfamiliar enthalpy cycles   |   |   |   |
| Techniques and procedures used to determine enthalpy changes directly and indirectly   |   |   |   |
| The effect of concentration, including pressure of gases, on the rate of reaction  |   |   |   |
| Calculation of reaction rate from the gradients of graphs measuring how a physical quantity changes with time                                    |   |   |   |
| Explain the role of a catalyst (reaction rate, not used up in overall reaction, activation energy)   |   |   |   |
| Explain the terms homogeneous and heterogeneous catalysts  |   |   |   |
| Explain the economic importance and benefits of catalysts  |   |   |   |
| Techniques and procedures used to investigate reaction rates   |   |   |   |
| Qualitative explanation of the Boltzmann distribution and its relationship with activation energy  |   |   |   |
| Explanation of the impact of temperature changes on the Boltzmann distribution   |   |   |   |
| Explanation of the impact of catalytic behaviour on the Boltzmann distribution   |   |   |   |
| Explanation of dynamic equilibrium   |   |   |   |
| Le Chatelier's principle to deduce qualitatively the effect of a change in temperature, pressure or concentration on the position of equilibrium |   |   |   |
| Explanation of how catalysts affect equilibrium  |   |   |   |
| Techniques and procedures used to investigate changes to the position of equilibrium (temperature and pressure)                                  |   |   |   |
| Explain the importance of compromise between chemical equilibrium and reaction rate  |   |   |   |
| Calculations of the equilibrium constant $K_c$ , from provided equilibrium concentrations and the creation of expressions for $K_c$              |   |   |   |
| Estimation of the position of equilibrium from the magnitude of $K_c$  |   |   |   |

## Module 4: Core organic chemistry

| 4.1 Basic concepts and hydrocarbons    |   |   |   |
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| 4.1 Basic concepts and hydrocarbons    | Apply IUPAC rules of nomenclature for systematically naming organic compounds   |   |   |
|  | Interpret and use the terms: general formula, structural formula, displayed formula, skeletal formula   |   |   |
|  | Interpret and use the terms: homologous series, functional group, alkyl group, aliphatic, alicyclic, aromatic, saturated                                    |   |   |
|  | Use the general formula of a homologous series to predict the formula of any member of the series   |   |   |
|  | Explain the term structural isomer and determine the possible structural formulae of an organic molecule, given the molecular formula                       |   |   |
|  | Understand the different types of covalent bond fission: homolytic, heterolytic   |   |   |
|  | Understand the term radical and the use of dots   |   |   |
|  | Understand the use of curly arrows  |   |   |
|  | Use diagrams to show the movement of an electron pair in a reaction mechanism   |   |   |
|  | Alkanes as saturated hydrocarbons containing single C-C and C-H bonds with free rotation around s-bonds   |   |   |
|  | Explain the tetrahedral shape around each carbon in alkanes in terms of electron pair repulsion (including 3-D diagrams)                                    |   |   |
|  | Explain the variations in boiling points of alkanes (carbon chain length and branching) in terms of induced dipole-dipole interactions (London)             |   |   |
|  | Low reactivity of alkanes in terms of high bond enthalpy and very low polarity of the s-bonds   |   |   |
|  | Complete and incomplete combustion of alkane fuels  |   |   |
|  | Reaction of alkanes with chlorine and bromine by radical substitution using UV radiation, including the mechanism (initiation, propagation and termination) |   |   |
|  | Limitations of radical substitution in synthesis  |   |   |
|  | Alkenes as unsaturated hydrocarbons containing C=C bond with p-bond and s-bond and restricted rotation of the p-bond  |   |   |
|  | Explain the trigonal planar shape and bond angle around each carbon in the C=C of alkenes in terms of electron pair repulsion                               |   |   |
|  | Explain the terms: stereoisomers, E/Z isomerism, cis-trans isomerism  |   |   |
|  | Use of Cahn-Ingold-Prelog (CIP) priority rules to identify the E and Z stereoisomers  |   |   |
|  | Determine the possible E/Z or cis-trans stereoisomer of an organic molecule, given its structural formula   |   |   |
|  | Reactivity of alkenes in terms of the relatively low bond enthalpy of the p-bond  |   |   |
|  | Addition reactions of alkenes with: hydrogen, halogens, hydrogen halides and steam  |   |   |
|  | Use of bromine to detect the presence of a C+C bond as a test for unsaturation  |   |   |
|  | Define and use the term electrophile  |   |   |
|  | Mechanism of electrophilic addition in alkenes by heterolytic fission   |   |   |
|  | Use of Markownikoff's rule to predict formation of a major organic product in addition reactions of H-X to unsymmetrical alkenes                            |   |   |
|  | Addition polymerisation of alkanes and substituted alkenes: deduce repeat unit of an addition polymer given the monomer                                     |   |   |
|  | Identify the monomer that would produce a section of an addition polymer  |   |   |
|  | Benefits for sustainability of processing waste by: combustion, organic feedstock, removal of toxic waste products  |   |   |
|  | Benefits to the environment of development of biodegradable and photodegradable polymers  |   |   |
| 4.2 Alcohols, haloalkanes and analysis |   |   |   |
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| 4.2 Alcohols, haloalkanes and analysis | Explain the water solubility and relatively low volatility of alcohols compared to alkanes (polarity, hydrogen bonding)                                     |   |   |
|  | Classification of alcohols into primary, secondary and tertiary alcohols  |   |   |
|  | Combustion of alcohols  |   |   |
|  | Oxidation of alcohols by an oxidising agent: primary (aldehydes and carboxylic acids); secondary (ketones); tertiary (resistance to oxidation)              |   |   |
|  | Elimination of water from alcohols in the presence of an acid catalyst and heat to form alkenes   |   |   |
|  | Substitution with halide ions in the presence of acid to form haloalkanes   |   |   |
|  | Hydrolysis of haloalkanes in substitution reactions (alkali, water)   |   |   |
|  | Define and use the term nucleophile   |   |   |
|  | Mechanism of nucleophilic substitution in the hydrolysis of primary haloalkanes with aqueous alkali   |   |   |
|  | Explain the trend in the rates of hydrolysis of primary haloalkanes in terms of the bond enthalpies of carbon-halogen bonds                                 |   |   |
|  | Production of halogen radicals by UV radiation action on CFCs in the upper atmosphere and the impact on the ozone layer                                     |   |   |
|  | Equations to represent: production of halogen radicals; the catalysed breakdown of ozone by Cl <sup>-</sup> and other radicals                              |   |   |
|  | Techniques and procedures for the use of quickfit apparatus for: distillation and heating under reflux  |   |   |
|  | Techniques and procedures for the use of quickfit apparatus for: Preparation and purification of an organic liquid  |   |   |
|  | Identify individual functional groups and predict the properties and reactions for an organic molecule containing several functional groups                 |   |   |
|  | Two-stage synthetic routes for preparing organic compounds  |   |   |
|  | Infrared radiation causes covalent bonds to vibrate more and absorb energy  |   |   |
|  | Absorption of infrared radiation by atmospheric gases containing C=O, O-H and C-H bonds and the suspected link to global warming                            |   |   |
|  | Use of infrared spectrum to identify: alcohol (O-H); aldehyde or ketone (C=O); carboxylic acid (C=O and O-H)  |   |   |
|  | Interpret and predict infra red spectrum of familiar or unfamiliar substances using data  |   |   |
|  | Use of infrared spectroscopy to monitor gases causing air pollution and in modern breathalyzers   |   |   |
|  | Use of mass spectrum to identify the molecular ion peak and hence determine the molecular mass  |   |   |
|  | Analyse fragmentation peaks in a mass spectrum to identify parts of structures  |   |   |

## Module 5: Physical chemistry and transition elements

| 5.1 Rates, equilibria and pH   | 5.1 Rates, equilibria and pH |   |   |
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| Explain and use of the terms: rate of reaction, order, overall order, rate constant, halflife, rate-determining step                                 |                              |   |   |
| Deduction of: orders from experimental data; a rate equation from orders of the form: rate = $k[A]^m[B]^n$ , where m and n are 0, 1 or 2             |                              |   |   |
| Calculate the rate constant, k, and related quantities, from a rate equation including determination of units  |                              |   |   |
| From a concentration–time graph: deduct the order (0 or 1) with respect to a reactant from the shape of the graph                                    |                              |   |   |
| Using a concentration–time graph: calculate reaction rates from the measurement of gradients   |                              |   |   |
| Using a concentration–time graph of a first order reaction, measurement of constant half-life, $t_{1/2}$   |                              |   |   |
| Determine, for a first order reaction, the rate constant, k, from the constant half-life, $t_{1/2}$ , using the relationship: $k = \ln 2/t_{1/2}$    |                              |   |   |
| Using a rate–concentration graph: deduct the order (0, 1 or 2) with respect to a reactant from the shape of the graph                                |                              |   |   |
| Using a rate–concentration graph: determine the rate constant for a first order reaction from the gradient   |                              |   |   |
| techniques and procedures used to investigate reaction rates by the initial rates method and by continuous monitoring, including use of colorimetry  |                              |   |   |
| Predict, for a multi-step reaction, a rate equation that is consistent with the rate-determining step  |                              |   |   |
| Predict, for a multi-step reaction, possible steps in a reaction mechanism from the rate equation and the balanced equation for the overall reaction |                              |   |   |
| Explain qualitatively, the effect of temperature change on the rate of a reaction and hence the rate constant  |                              |   |   |
| Exponential relationship between the rate constant, k and temperature, T given by the Arrhenius equation, $k = Ae^{-E_a/RT}$                         |                              |   |   |
| Determine $E_a$ and A graphically using: $\ln k = -E_a/RT + \ln A$ derived from the Arrhenius equation.  |                              |   |   |
| Use of the terms mole fraction and partial pressure  |                              |   |   |
| Calculate quantities present at equilibrium, given appropriate data  |                              |   |   |
| Techniques and procedures used to determine quantities present at equilibrium  |                              |   |   |
| Expressions for $K_c$ and $K_p$ for homogeneous and heterogeneous equilibria   |                              |   |   |
| Calculate $K_c$ and $K_p$ , or related quantities, including determination of units  |                              |   |   |
| Qualitative effect on equilibrium constants of changing temperature for exothermic and endothermic reactions   |                              |   |   |
| Constancy of equilibrium constants with changes in concentration, pressure or in the presence of a catalyst  |                              |   |   |
| Explain how an equilibrium constant controls the position of equilibrium on changing concentration, pressure and temperature                         |                              |   |   |
| Application of these principles for $K_c$ , $K_p$ to other equilibrium constants   |                              |   |   |
| Define a Brønsted–Lowry acid   |                              |   |   |
| Use of the terms: conjugate acid-base pairs, monobasic, dibasic and tribasic acids   |                              |   |   |
| Role of $H^+$ in the reactions of acids with metals and bases (including carbonates, metal oxides and alkalis), using ionic equations                |                              |   |   |
| Acid dissociation constant, $K_a$ , for the extent of acid dissociation and the relationship between $K_a$ and $pK_a$                                |                              |   |   |
| Use the expression for pH as: $pH = -\log[H^+]$ $[H^+] = 10^{-pH}$ ; and the expression for the ionic product of water, $K_w$                        |                              |   |   |
| Calculate of pH, or related quantities, for: strong monobasic acids; strong bases, using $K_w$   |                              |   |   |
| Calculate pH, $K_a$ or related quantities, for a weak monobasic acid using approximations  |                              |   |   |
| Limitations of using approximations to $K_a$ related calculations for 'stronger' weak acids  |                              |   |   |
| Define the term buffer solution  |                              |   |   |
| Formation of a buffer solution from: a weak acid and a salt of the weak acid; excess of a weak acid and a strong alkali                              |                              |   |   |
| Explain the role of the conjugate acid-base pair in an acid buffer solution  |                              |   |   |
| Calculate the pH of a buffer solution, from the $K_a$ value of a weak acid and the equilibrium concentrations of the conjugate acid-base pair        |                              |   |   |
| Explain the control of blood pH by the carbonic acid–hydrogencarbonate buffer system   |                              |   |   |
| Sketch and interpret the shapes of pH titration curves for combinations of strong and weak acids with strong and weak bases                          |                              |   |   |
| Explain the choice of suitable indicators, given the pH range of the indicator   |                              |   |   |
| Explain indicator colour changes in terms of equilibrium shift between the $HA$ and $A^-$ forms of the indicator                                     |                              |   |   |
| Techniques and procedures used when measuring pH with a pH meter.  |                              |   |   |

| 5.2 Energy              |  |  | R | A | G |
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| 5.2 Energy              | Explain the term lattice enthalpy  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Use the lattice enthalpy of a simple ionic solid and relevant energy terms for: the construction of Born–Haber cycles and related calculations                           |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Explain and use the terms enthalpy change of solution and enthalpy change of hydration   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Use the enthalpy change of solution of a simple ionic solid and relevant energy terms for: the construction of enthalpy cycles and related calculations                  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Explain qualitatively the effect of ionic charge and ionic radius on the exothermic value of a lattice enthalpy and enthalpy change of hydration.                        |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Explain entropy is a measure of the dispersal of energy in a system which is greater, the more disordered a system   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Explain the difference in magnitude of the entropy of a system: of solids, liquids and gases   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Explain the difference in magnitude of the entropy of a system for a reaction in which there is a change in the number of gaseous molecules                              |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Calculate the entropy change of a system, $\Delta S$ , and related quantities for a reaction given the entropies of the reactants and products                           |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Explain the feasibility of a process depends upon $T\Delta S$ , and $\Delta H$   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Explain, and calculate, the free energy change, $\Delta G$ , as: $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$ ; and that a process is feasible when $\Delta G$ has a negative value |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Limitations of predictions made by $\Delta G$ about feasibility, in terms of kinetics.   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Explain and use the terms oxidising agent and reducing agent   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Construct redox equations using half equations and oxidation numbers   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Interpret and predict reactions involving electron transfer  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Techniques and procedures used when carrying out redox titrations  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Structured and non-structured titration calculations, based on experimental results of redox titrations  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Use the term standard electrode (redox) potential, $E^\ominus$ including its measurement using a hydrogen electrode  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Techniques and procedures used for the measurement of cell potentials  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Calculate a standard cell potential by combining two standard electrode potentials   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Predict the feasibility of a reaction using standard cell potentials and the limitations of such predictions   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Apply principles of electrode potentials to modern storage cells   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Explain how fuel cells create voltage and the changes that take place at each electrode  |  |   |   |   |
| 5.3 Transition elements |  |  | R | A | G |
| 5.3 Transition elements | Electron configuration of atoms and ions of the d-block elements of Period 4 (Sc–Zn), given the atomic number and charge   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Elements Ti–Cu d-block elements that have an ion with an incomplete d-sub-shell (Transition elements)  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Use at least two transition to demonstrate: the existence of more than one oxidation state for each element in its compounds   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Use at least two transition to demonstrate: the formation of coloured ions   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Use at least two transition to demonstrate: the catalytic behaviour of the elements and their compounds and their industrial importance                                  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Explain and use the term ligand  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Use the terms complex ion and coordination number and examples of complexes with: octahedral shape and either a planar or tetrahedral shape                              |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Types of stereoisomerism shown by complexes: cis–trans isomerism; optical isomerism  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Use of cis-platin as an anti-cancer drug and its action by binding to DNA preventing cell division   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Ligand substitution reactions and the accompanying colour changes  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Explain the biochemical importance of iron in haemoglobin, including ligand substitution involving $O_2$ and CO  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Reactions, including ionic equations, of transition ions with aqueous sodium hydroxide and aqueous ammonia   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Redox reactions and accompanying colour changes for: interconversions between $Fe^{2+}$ and $Fe^{3+}$  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Redox reactions and accompanying colour changes for: interconversions between $Cr^{3+}$ and $Cr_2O_7^{2-}$   |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Redox reactions and accompanying colour changes for: reduction of $Cu^{2+}$ to $Cu^+$ and disproportionation of $Cu^+$ to $Cu^{2+}$ and Cu                               |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Interpret and predict unfamiliar reactions including ligand substitution, precipitation, redox.  |  |   |   |   |
|                         | Qualitative analysis of ions on a test-tube scale: processes and techniques needed to identify the following ions in an unknown compound                                 |  |   |   |   |

## Module 6: Organic chemistry and analysis

### 6.1 Aromatic compounds, carbonyls and acids

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#### 6.1 Aromatic compounds, carbonyls and acids

- Compare the Kekulé model of benzene with the subsequent delocalised models for benzene; including an examination of the experimental evidence
- Use IUPAC rules of nomenclature for systematically naming substituted aromatic compounds
- Electrophilic substitution of aromatic compounds with: concentrated nitric acid in the presence of concentrated sulfuric acid
- Electrophilic substitution of aromatic compounds with: a halogen in the presence of a halogen carrier
- Electrophilic substitution of aromatic compounds with: a haloalkane or acyl chloride in the presence of a halogen carrier
- Mechanism of electrophilic substitution in arenes for nitration and halogenation
- Explain the relative resistance to bromination of benzene, compared with alkenes
- Interpret unfamiliar electrophilic substitution reactions of aromatic compounds, including prediction of mechanisms
- Weak acidity of phenols shown by the neutralisation reaction with NaOH but absence of reaction with carbonates
- Electrophilic substitution reactions of phenol: with bromine to form 2,4,6-tribromophenol; with dilute nitric acid to form 2-nitrophenol
- Compare the relative ease of electrophilic substitution of phenol with benzene
- The effect of electrondonating groups and of electron-withdrawing groups in electrophilic substitution of aromatic compounds
- Predict substitution products of aromatic compounds by directing effects and the importance to organic synthesis
- Oxidation of aldehydes to form carboxylic acids
- Nucleophilic addition reactions of carbonyl compounds to form alcohols and hydroxynitriles
- Mechanism for nucleophilic addition reactions of aldehydes and ketones  $\text{NaBH}_4$  and HCN
- Uses of 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine when identifying carbonyl groups or compounds
- Use of Tollens' reagent to: detect the presence of an aldehyde group; distinguish between aldehydes and ketones
- Explain how Tollens' reagent distinguishes between aldehydes and ketones
- Explain the water solubility of carboxylic acids in terms of hydrogen bonding
- Reactions in aqueous conditions of carboxylic acids with metals and bases
- Esterification of: carboxylic acids with alcohols in the presence of an acid catalyst; acid anhydrides with alcohols
- Hydrolysis of esters: to form carboxylic acids and alcohols; to form carboxylate salts and alcohols
- Formation of acyl chlorides from carboxylic acids
- Use of acyl chlorides in synthesis in formation of esters, carboxylic acids and primary and secondary amides

### 6.2 Amines

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- Basicity of amines in terms of proton acceptance by the nitrogen lone pair and the reactions of amines with dilute acids to form salts
- Preparation of: aliphatic amines by substitution of haloalkanes
- Preparation of: aromatic amines by reduction of nitroarenes
- General formula for an  $\alpha$ -amino acid as  $\text{RCH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH}$
- Reactions of amino acids: carboxylic acid group with alkalis and in the formation of esters; amine group with acids
- Structures of primary and secondary amides
- Define optical isomerism and use it to draw 3-D diagrams
- Identify chiral centres in a molecule of any organic compound
- Condensation polymerisation to form polyesters and polyamides
- Acid and base hydrolysis of: the ester groups in polyesters; the amide groups in polyamides
- Predict from addition and condensation polymerisation: the repeat unit from a given monomer(s)
- Predict from addition and condensation polymerisation: the monomer(s) required for a given section of a polymer molecule
- Predict from addition and condensation polymerisation: the type of polymerisation.
- Use of C–C bond formation in synthesis to increase the length of a carbon chain
- Formation of  $\text{C}=\text{N}$  by reaction of: haloalkanes with  $\text{CN}^-$  and ethanol, including nucleophilic substitution mechanism
- Formation of  $\text{C}=\text{N}$  by reaction of: carbonyl compounds with HCN, including nucleophilic addition mechanism
- Reaction of nitriles: by reduction to form amines; by acid hydrolysis to form carboxylic acids
- Formation of a substituted aromatic C–C by alkylation and acylation
- Techniques and procedures used for the preparation and purification of organic solids involving use of a range of techniques
- Identify the functional groups and predict the properties and reactions for an organic molecule containing several functional groups
- Multi-stage synthetic routes for preparing organic compounds.

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| Interpret one-way TLC chromatograms in terms of R <sub>f</sub> values   |   |   |   |
| Interpret gas chromatograms in terms of: retention times; the amounts and proportions of the components in a mixture.                     |   |   |   |
| Qualitative analysis of organic functional groups on a test-tube scale to identify the functional groups in an unknown compound           |   |   |   |
| Analysse a carbon-13 NMR spectrum of an organic molecule to make predictions about: the number of carbon environments in the molecule     |   |   |   |
| Analysse a carbon-13 NMR spectrum of an organic molecule to make predictions about: the different types of carbon environment present     |   |   |   |
| Analysse a carbon-13 NMR spectrum of an organic molecule to make predictions about: possible structures for the molecule                  |   |   |   |
| Analysse a high resolution proton NMR spectrum to make predictions about: the number and type of proton environments in the molecule      |   |   |   |
| Analysse a high resolution proton NMR spectrum to make predictions about: relative numbers of each type of proton present                 |   |   |   |
| Analysse a high resolution proton NMR spectrum to make predictions about: the number of non-equivalent protons adjacent to a given proton |   |   |   |
| Analysse a high resolution proton NMR spectrum to make predictions about: possible structures for the molecule                            |   |   |   |
| Predict a carbon-13 or proton NMR spectrum for a given molecule   |   |   |   |
| Use of tetramethylsilane, TMS, as the standard for chemical shift measurements  |   |   |   |
| The need for deuterated solvents when running an NMR spectrum   |   |   |   |
| The identification of O-H and N-H protons by proton exchange  |   |   |   |
| Deduce the structures of organic compounds from different analytical data   |   |   |   |

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