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Paper 4 Theory (Extended)

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2 hours

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.
- You should show all your working and use appropriate units.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 120.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The Periodic Table is printed in the question paper.

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- 1 (a) Fig. 1.1 is a diagram of a wind-pollinated flower.

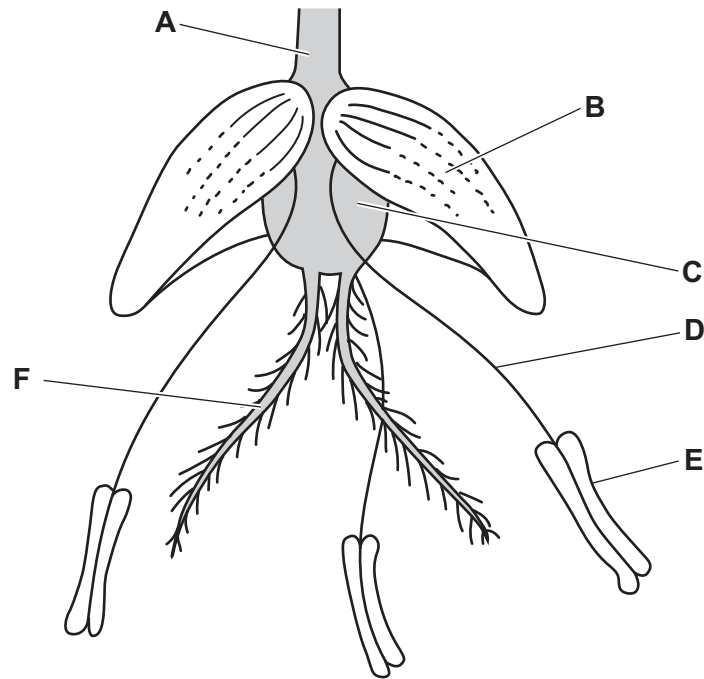


Fig. 1.1

- (i) State which letter in Fig. 1.1 identifies the part where:

fertilisation occurs

pollen is produced.

[2]

- (ii) Describe **two visible** pieces of evidence in Fig. 1.1 that show the flower is adapted for wind-pollination.

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(b) Fig. 1.2 is a photomicrograph of pollen from an **insect**-pollinated flower.

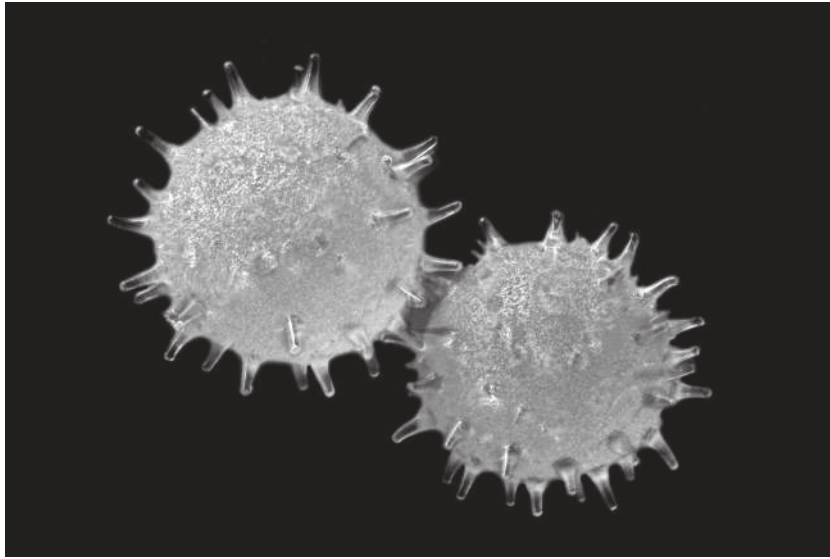


Fig. 1.2

Describe **two** ways the appearance of pollen from a wind-pollinated flower is different from the pollen from an insect-pollinated flower.

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[2]

(c) Some plants can reproduce asexually and sexually.

(i) State **two** advantages of sexual reproduction compared to asexual reproduction in plants.

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[2]

(ii) Suggest a situation where asexual reproduction is more useful to a plant in the wild than sexual reproduction.

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(d) Reproduction is one of the characteristics of living organisms.

State **two** other characteristics of living organisms.

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[2]

[Total: 11]

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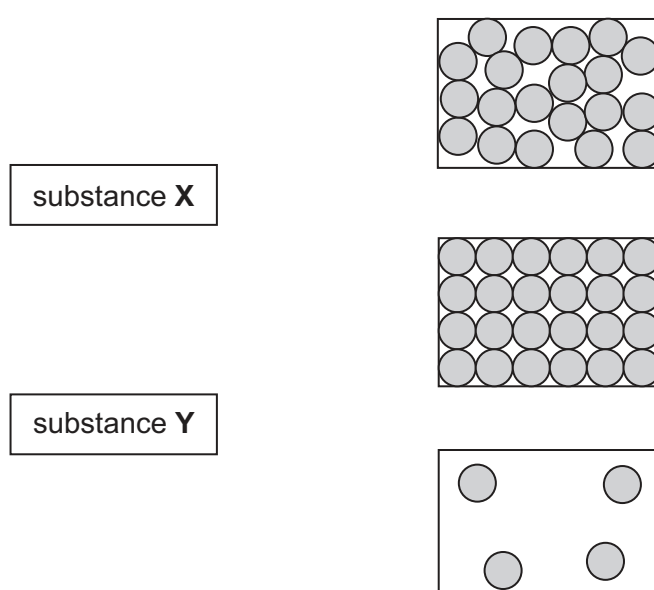
- 2 A student heats three substances **X**, **Y** and **Z** in a water-bath.

Table 2.1 shows the state of the three substances before heating, during heating and after cooling.

Table 2.1

| substance | before heating | during heating | after cooling |
|-----------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| X | solid | liquid | solid |
| Y | liquid | liquid | liquid |
| Z | solid | solid | solid |

- (a) Draw **one** line from substance **X** and **one** line from substance **Y** to show the arrangement of the particles before heating.



[2]

- (b) Describe the difference in the **movement** of the particles in a solid and in a liquid.

solid

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liquid

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[2]

- (c) Explain how we know that the change to substance **X** is a physical change and **not** a chemical change.

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..... [2]

- (d) Substance **Z** is the ionic compound sodium chloride, NaCl .

Draw a dot-and-cross diagram to show the ionic bonding in sodium chloride.

[2]

- (e) Fig. 2.1 shows the electrolysis of concentrated aqueous sodium chloride.

Complete the **three** labels on Fig. 2.1 to show the products made.

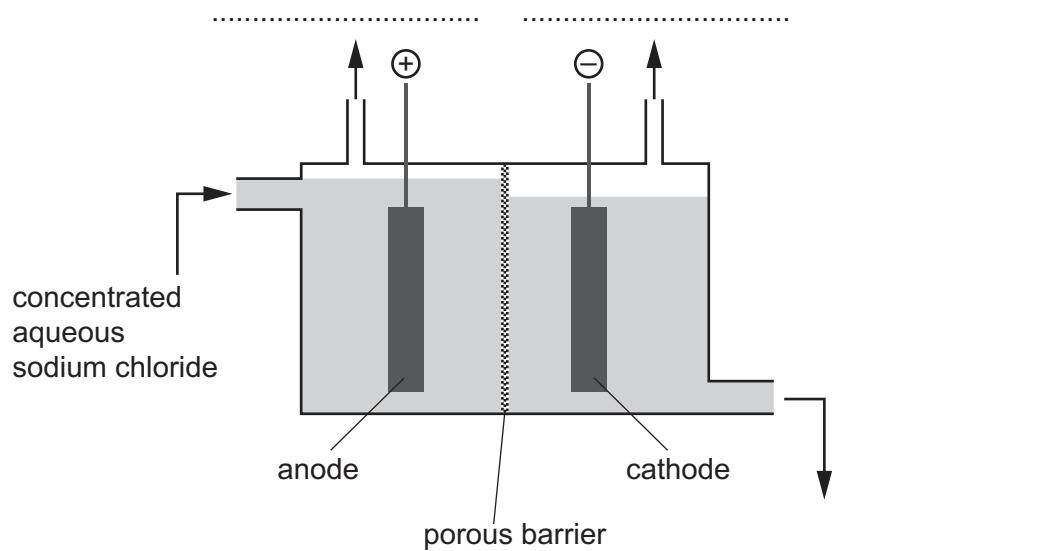


Fig. 2.1

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3 Fig. 3.1 shows a sea turtle.

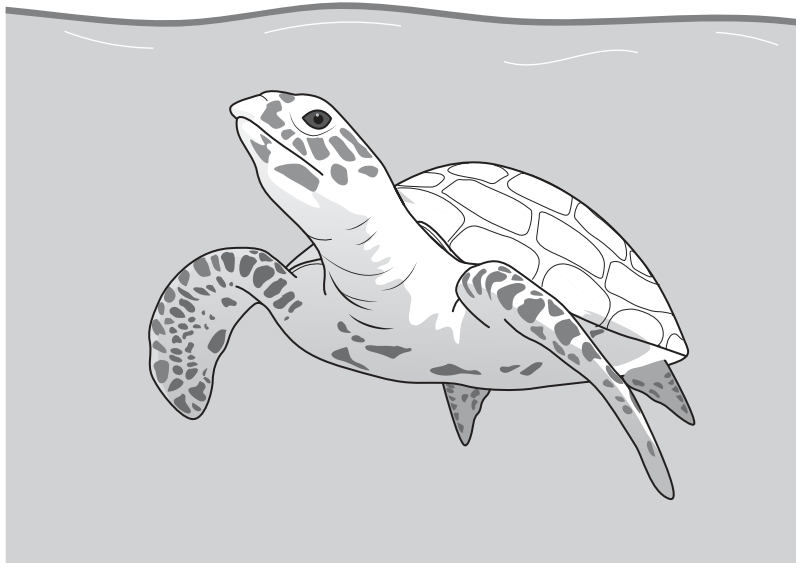


Fig. 3.1

- (a) (i) On Fig. 3.1, draw an arrow to show the direction of the weight force acting on the sea turtle.

Label your arrow with the letter **W**.

[1]

- (ii) Complete the sentence to describe weight.

Weight is a force caused by the effect of a field
on a

[1]

- (b) The sea turtle travels a distance of 1200 km in 20 days.

Calculate the average speed of the sea turtle.

Give your answer in km/h.

average speed = km/h [3]

- (c) A team of scientists fits a tracker unit to the sea turtle to monitor its location.

The tracker unit sends a signal using radio waves each time the sea turtle moves to the surface of the water.

- (i) Radio waves are part of the electromagnetic spectrum.

Complete the sentences to compare radio waves to visible light.

Radio waves have a frequency and

a wavelength than visible light.

Radio waves and visible light both travel at m/s in a vacuum. [2]

- (ii) The radio waves emitted by the tracker unit have a frequency of 1.5×10^9 Hz.

Calculate the wavelength of the radio waves.

wavelength = m [2]

- (iii) The tracker unit uses a battery with an electromotive force (e.m.f.) of 11 V that provides a power output of 22 mW.

The battery can transfer a total charge of 24 000 C before it needs replacing.

Calculate the time for which the battery operates before it needs replacing.

time = s [4]

[Total: 13]

- 4 (a) Blood glucose concentration is controlled so that it remains within set limits.

State the name given to this type of control.

..... [1]

- (b) Fig. 4.1 shows the blood glucose concentration of a person after they have eaten a meal.

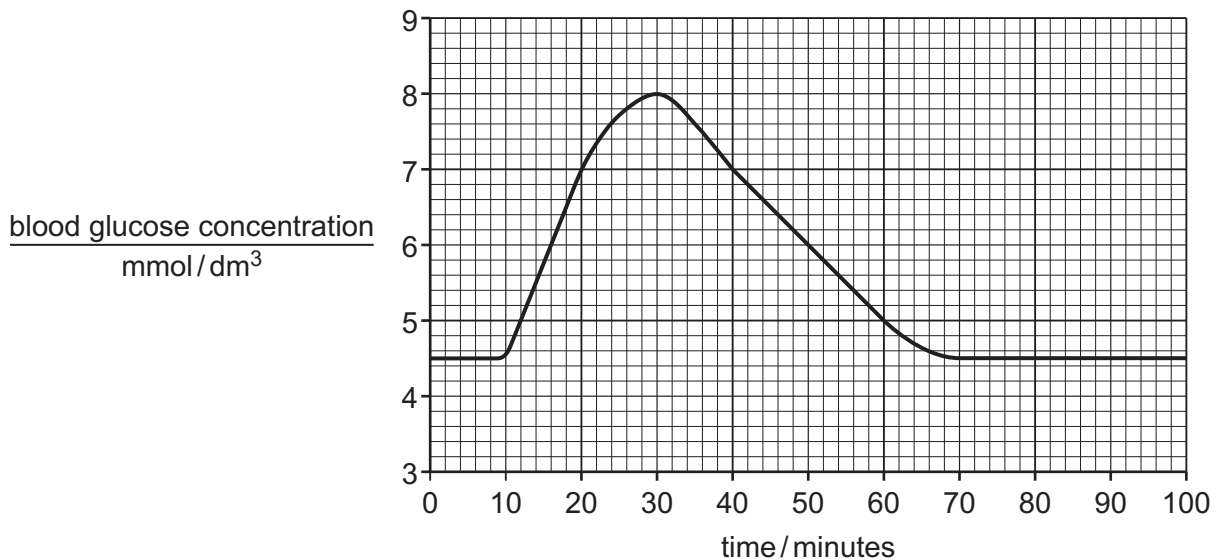


Fig. 4.1

Complete the sentences to describe and explain the changes seen in Fig. 4.1.

Carbohydrates such as starch are broken down by the enzyme

..... to form simpler sugars.

These simpler sugars are absorbed into the blood. After 30 minutes, the blood glucose concentration reaches a maximum of mmol/dm³.

The increase in blood glucose concentration is detected and the hormone insulin is released from the

Insulin causes glucose to be converted to

This is then stored in the reducing the blood glucose concentration to its previous level.

[5]

(c) State the names of **two** hormones that increase blood glucose concentration.

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2 [2]

(d) State the name of the component of blood that transports hormones.

..... [1]

(e) Table 4.1 compares nervous and hormonal control.

Complete Table 4.1.

Table 4.1

| | nervous control | hormonal control |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| form of transmission | | chemical hormones |
| relative speed of action | | |
| relative longevity of action | | |

[3]

[Total: 12]

- 5 Some students investigate the reaction between marble chips and dilute hydrochloric acid.

They react marble chips of three different sizes, **A**, **B** and **C**, with excess dilute hydrochloric acid.

They use the same mass of marble chips, the same concentration of acid and the same temperature for each experiment.

The students measure the volume of carbon dioxide gas every 30 seconds until the reaction finishes.

Fig. 5.1 shows a graph of their results.

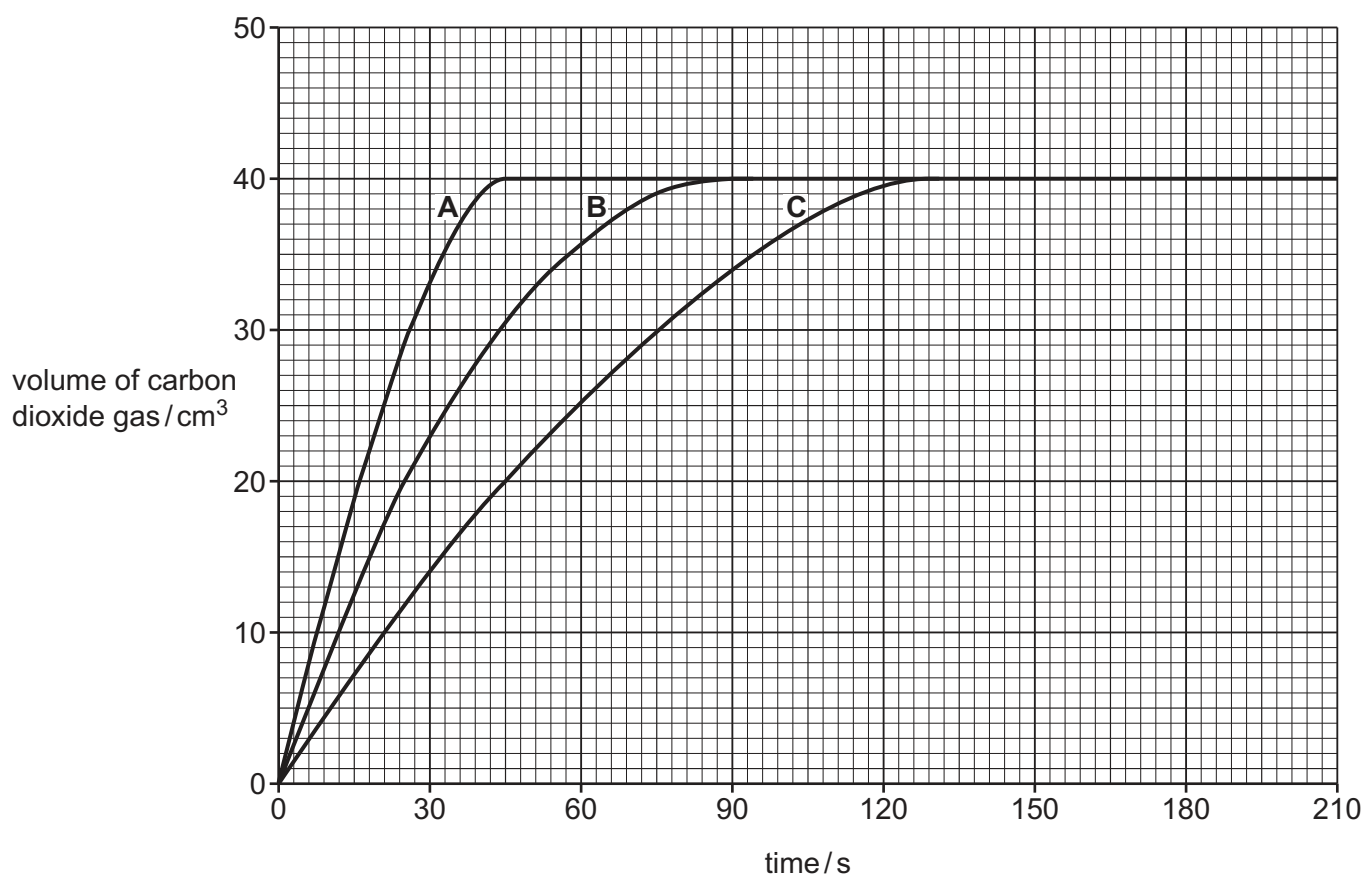


Fig. 5.1

- (a) (i) State which marble chips, **A**, **B** or **C**, are the **smallest**.

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[1]

- (ii) Look at the line for marble chips **B**.

State when the rate of reaction is the **greatest**.

Choose your answer from the list.

0 – 30 s

30 – 60 s

60 – 90 s

90 – 120 s

answer = s [1]

- (b) The students did the experiments at 20 °C.

State how the rate of reaction will change if they do the experiments again at 40 °C.

Explain your answer using ideas about collisions between particles.

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..... [3]

- (c) Calculate the volume occupied by 1.1 g of carbon dioxide gas at room temperature and pressure.

The volume of one mole of any gas is 24 dm³ at room temperature and pressure (r.t.p.).

[A_r: C, 12; O, 16]

volume of carbon dioxide gas = dm³ [3]

- (d) Carbon dioxide is a greenhouse gas.

State **two** problems caused by increased concentrations of greenhouse gases.

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[2]

[Total: 10]

- 6 Fig. 6.1 shows an electric pressure-washer being used to wash a car.

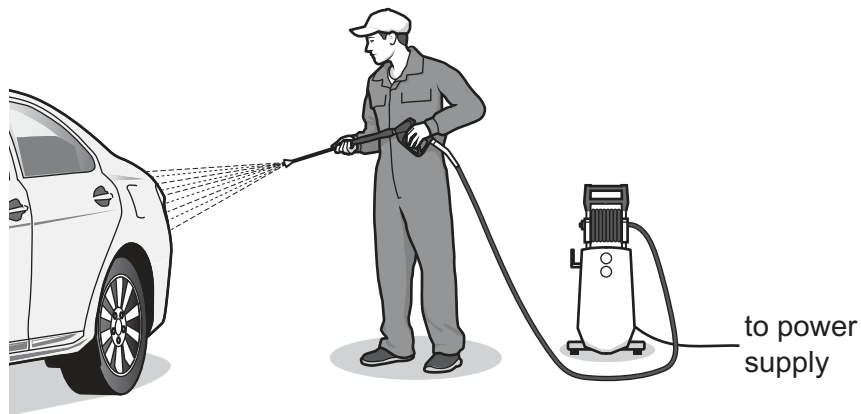


Fig. 6.1

- (a) The pressure-washer pumps water at a high pressure through a small nozzle.

The cross-sectional area of the nozzle is $5.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$.

The water leaves the nozzle with a pressure of $9.0 \times 10^6 \text{ Pa}$.

Calculate the force exerted by the water as it leaves the nozzle.

force = N [2]

- (b) The pressure-washer uses a d.c. motor to pump the water out of the nozzle.

Fig. 6.2 shows a diagram of a simple d.c. motor.

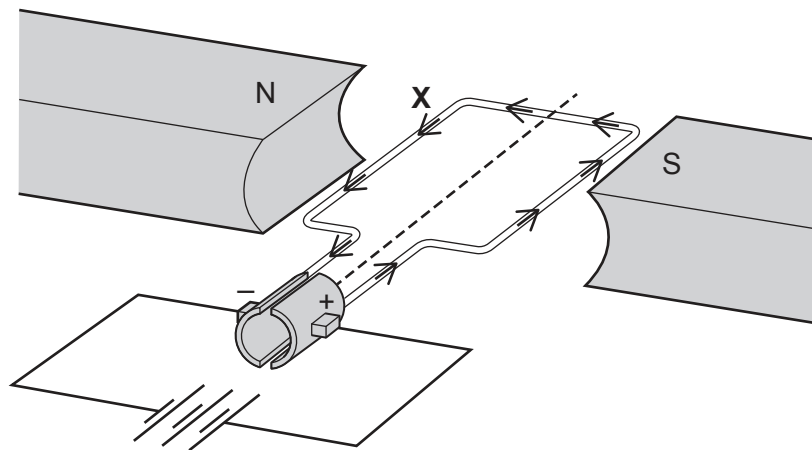


Fig. 6.2

- (i) The arrows on Fig. 6.2 show the direction of the current.

Draw an arrow to show the direction of the force acting on the coil at the point labelled **X**.
[1]

- (ii) Describe the function of the split-ring commutator in a simple d.c. motor.

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 [2]

- (c) After the car has been washed, droplets of cold water remain on the roof of the car.

After a few minutes, the droplets of water have disappeared.

- (i) State the name of the process which causes the droplets of water to disappear.

..... [1]

- (ii) Describe the process which causes the droplets of water to disappear in terms of molecules.

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 [2]

[Total: 8]

- 7 (a) A student investigates antibiotic resistance in one strain of bacteria.

They use five different antibiotics on paper discs.

The antibiotic discs are placed in a Petri dish with the bacteria and left for three days.

Fig. 7.1 shows the results.

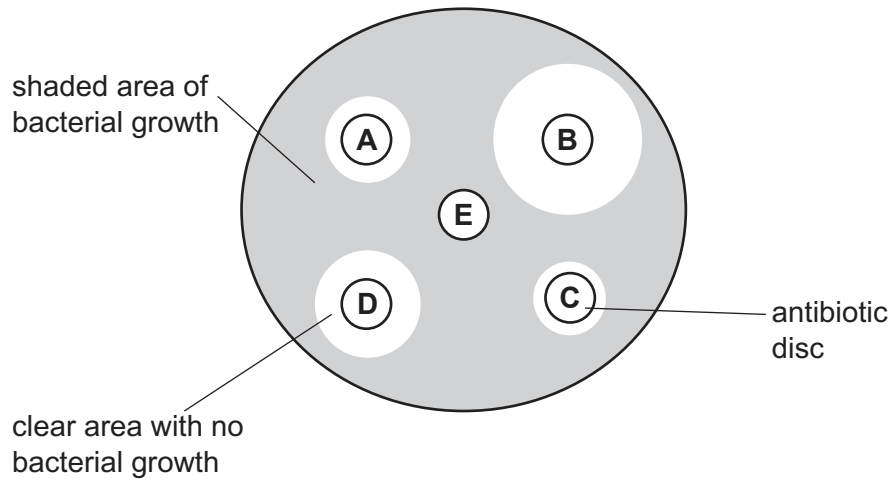


Fig. 7.1

Identify the antibiotic in Fig. 7.1 that is **most** effective against this strain of bacteria.

Give **one** reason for your answer.

antibiotic

reason

[2]

- (b) The differences in antibiotic resistance in bacteria are caused by random mutation.

- (i) State the structure in a cell where mutation occurs.

..... [1]

- (ii) State the type of radiation that increases the rate of mutation.

..... [1]

- (c) Explain why the development of antibiotic resistance in bacteria is an example of evolution.

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[Total: 6]

8 Fig. 8.1 shows the structures of three carbon compounds.

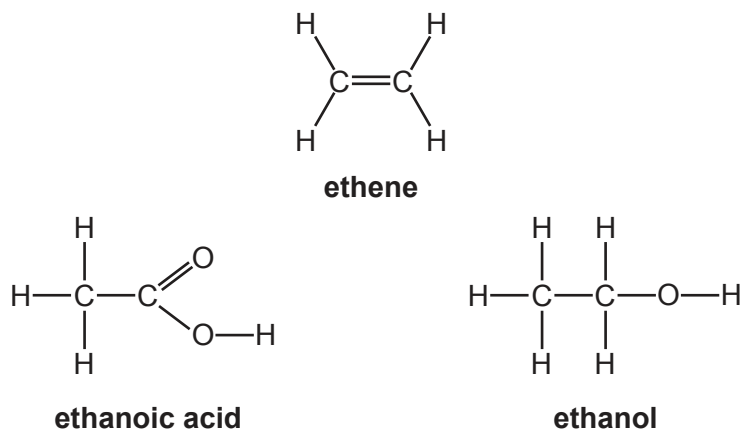


Fig. 8.1

(a) Ethene is an **unsaturated hydrocarbon**.

Explain how the structure of ethene shows that ethene is an unsaturated hydrocarbon.

unsaturated

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hydrocarbon

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[2]

(b) Ethene, C₂H₄, reacts with hydrogen to make an alkane.

Write the balanced symbol equation for this reaction.

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(c) Complete the dot-and-cross diagram in Fig. 8.2 to show the bonding in ethene.

Only show the outer-shell electrons.

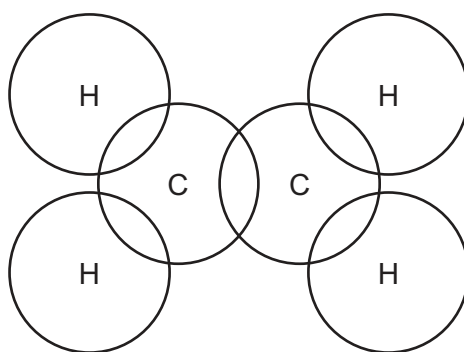


Fig. 8.2

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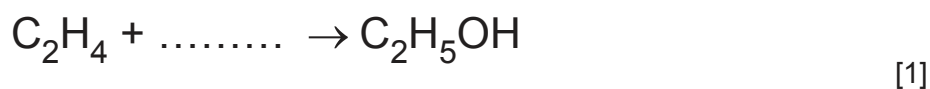
- (d) Ethanol is made by fermentation.

State **one** condition for making ethanol by fermentation.

..... [1]

- (e) Ethanol can also be made from ethene in an addition reaction.

Complete the symbol equation for this reaction.



- (f) A scientist makes a solution of ethanol.

250 cm³ of the solution contains 5.75 g of ethanol.

Calculate the concentration of the ethanol solution in **mol/dm³**.

[A_r: C, 12; H, 1; O, 16]

concentration of ethanol solution = mol/dm³ [4]

[Total: 12]

9 The element strontium has many naturally occurring isotopes, some of which are unstable.

(a) Table 9.1 shows the half-lives of four unstable isotopes of strontium.

Table 9.1

| isotope | half-life |
|--------------|------------|
| strontium-82 | 25.4 days |
| strontium-83 | 1.35 days |
| strontium-85 | 64.8 days |
| strontium-90 | 28.9 years |

(i) Fig. 9.1 shows a decay curve for one of the isotopes given in Table 9.1.

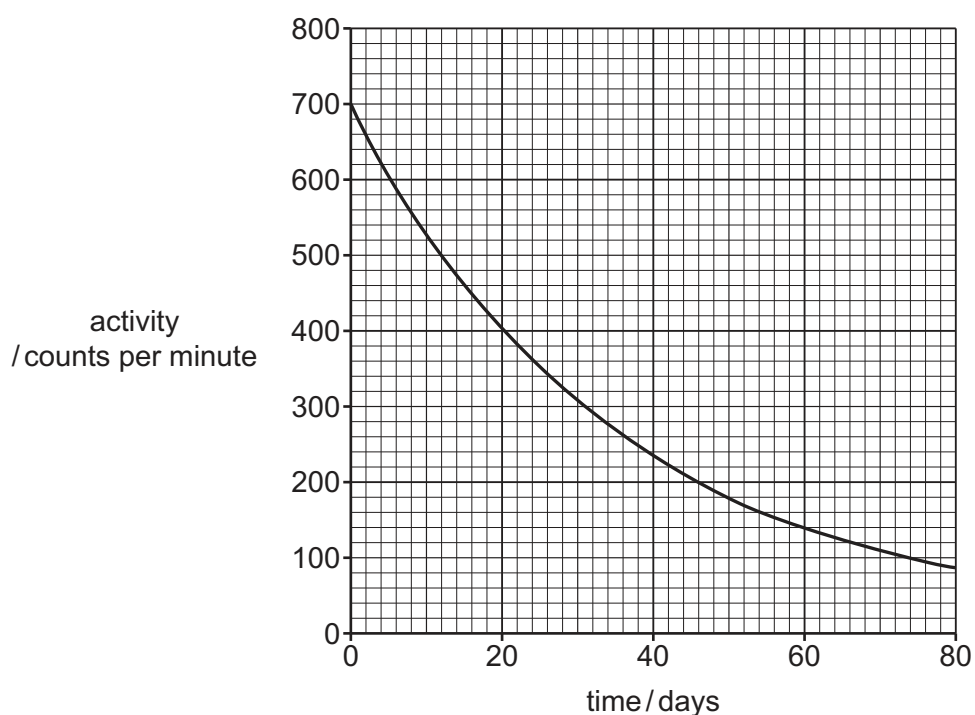


Fig. 9.1

Determine which isotope of strontium from Table 9.1 would give the data shown in Fig. 9.1.

isotope [2]

- (ii) A scientist purchases a sample of a strontium isotope to use as a radioactive source in a series of experiments.

The scientist estimates that the experiments will take three months to complete.

Suggest which of the isotopes in Table 9.1 would be best for the scientist to purchase.

Explain your suggestion.

isotope

explanation

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[1]

- (b) Place ticks (✓) in Table 9.2 to show the nature of a beta particle.

Table 9.2

| | |
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| has a positive charge | |
| has a negative charge | |
| has no charge | |
| is affected by electric fields | |
| is affected by magnetic fields | |
| is not affected by electric or magnetic fields | |

[2]

- (c) The density of strontium is 2.6 g/cm^3 .

A sample of strontium has a mass of 7.8 g.

Calculate the volume of the sample of strontium.

volume = cm^3 [2]

[Total: 7]

- 10 (a) Red blood cells are specialised to transport oxygen.

Describe **two** ways that red blood cells are adapted for their function.

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[2]

- (b) A student investigates the effect of different concentrations of salt solution on red blood cells.

The student immerses the red blood cells in different concentrations of salt solution and observes the cells after immersion.

Table 10.1 shows the results.

Table 10.1

| <u>concentration of salt solution</u> g/dm ³ | observation |
|--|--------------|
| 10.0 | cells shrink |
| 8.0 | no change |
| 6.0 | cells burst |
| 4.0 | cells burst |
| 2.0 | cells burst |

- (i) Identify the salt solution with the same water potential as red blood cells.

..... g/dm³ [1]

- (ii) Explain the observation seen at 10.0 g/dm³ in Table 10.1.

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..... [3]

(c) The investigation is repeated with plant cells.

(i) Plants cells do **not** burst when immersed in 2.0 g/dm^3 salt solution.

Explain why.

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..... [2]

(ii) State **two** uses of water in plant cells.

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2 [2]

(iii) State the name of the type of plant cell specialised for absorption of water.

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[Total: 11]

11 Sulfuric acid is made by the Contact process.

Fig. 11.1 shows part of the Contact process.

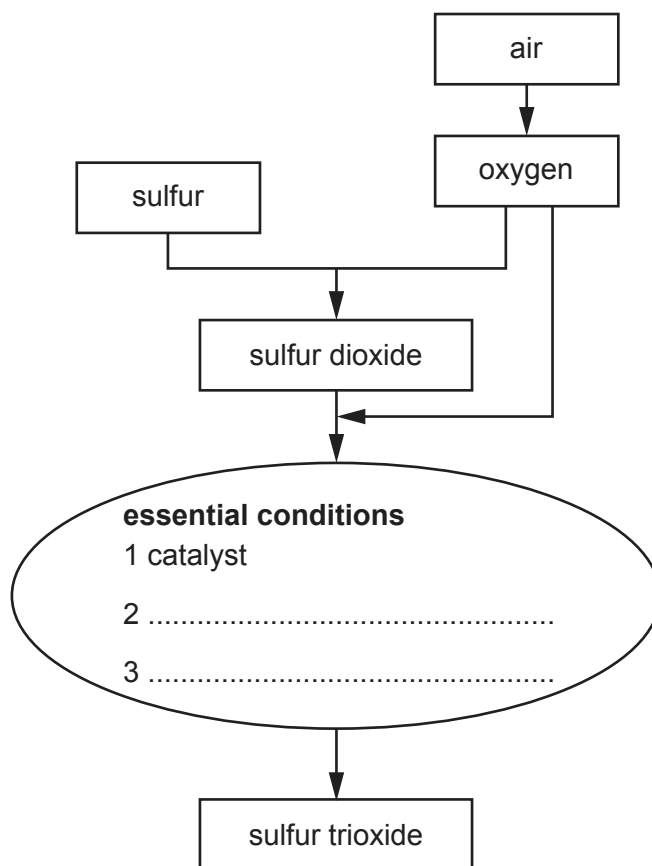


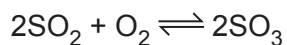
Fig. 11.1

(a) A catalyst is used in the Contact process.

Complete Fig. 11.1 to show the **two** other essential conditions used.

[2]

- (b) In the Contact process, sulfur dioxide, SO_2 , reacts with oxygen, O_2 , to make sulfur trioxide, SO_3 .



- (i) Calculate the maximum mass of sulfur trioxide that is made from 1.6 kg of sulfur dioxide.

[A_r : O, 16; S, 32]

mass of sulfur trioxide = kg [3]

- (ii) Fig. 11.2 shows the energy level diagram for the reaction to make sulfur trioxide.

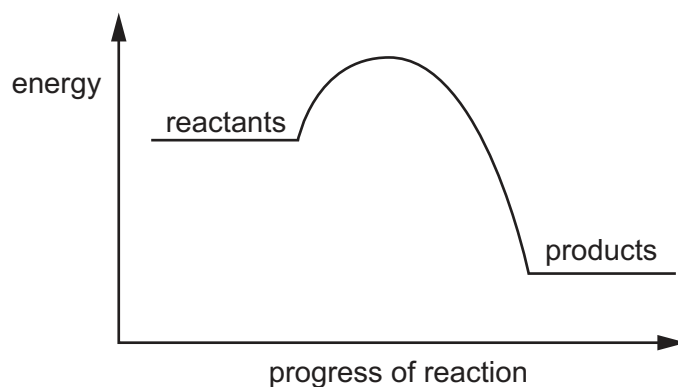


Fig. 11.2

Draw and label on Fig. 11.2:

- the energy change in the reaction
- the activation energy of the reaction.

[2]

[Total: 7]

12 Electricity can be generated in different types of power stations.

(a) Table 12.1 gives some information about six types of power station.

Table 12.1

| type of power station | energy per kg of fuel/MJ | efficiency of transfer to electrical energy/% | percentage of world electricity production |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| coal | 29 | 32 | 37 |
| hydroelectric (HEP) | – | 90 | 15 |
| natural gas | 45 | 49 | 24 |
| nuclear | 5.0×10^5 | 93 | 10 |
| solar | – | 21 | 9 |
| wind | – | 40 | 5 |

(i) Use data from Table 12.1 to explain why electricity generation is negatively impacting the environment.

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..... [3]

(ii) Nuclear power stations are very expensive to build.

Apart from cost, state **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of generating electricity using wind compared to nuclear.

advantage

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disadvantage

..... [2]

(iii) Use data from Table 12.1 to calculate the mass of natural gas needed to generate the same electrical energy output as 1 kg of nuclear fuel.

mass = kg [3]

- (b) A coal power station generates electricity at a voltage of 25 000 V.

A transformer is used to step the voltage up to 132 000 V for transmission.

- (i) The step-up transformer contains 3000 turns on the primary coil.

Calculate the number of turns on the secondary coil.

number of turns = [2]

- (ii) Explain why electricity is transmitted at a voltage of 132 000 V and **not** 25 000 V.

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 [2]

[Total: 12]

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The Periodic Table of Elements

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| I | II | 1 H hydrogen 1 | | | | | | | | | | III | IV | V | VI | VII | VIII | |
| 3 Li lithium 7 | 4 Be beryllium 9 | <div>Key</div> <div>atomic number atomic symbol name relative atomic mass</div> | | | | | | | | | | 5 B boron 11 | 6 C carbon 12 | 7 N nitrogen 14 | 8 O oxygen 16 | 9 F fluorine 19 | 10 Ne neon 20 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11 Na sodium 23 | 12 Mg magnesium 24 | | | | | | | | | | | 13 Al aluminium 27 | 14 Si silicon 28 | 15 P phosphorus 31 | 16 S sulfur 32 | 17 Cl chlorine 35.5 | 18 Ar argon 40 | |
| 19 K potassium 39 | 20 Ca calcium 40 | 21 Sc scandium 45 | 22 Ti titanium 48 | 23 V vanadium 51 | 24 Cr chromium 52 | 25 Mn manganese 55 | 26 Fe iron 56 | 27 Co cobalt 59 | 28 Ni nickel 59 | 29 Cu copper 64 | 30 Zn zinc 65 | 31 Ga gallium 70 | 32 Ge germanium 73 | 33 As arsenic 75 | 34 Se selenium 79 | 35 Br bromine 80 | 36 Kr krypton 84 | |
| 37 Rb rubidium 85 | 38 Sr strontium 88 | 39 Y yttrium 89 | 40 Zr zirconium 91 | 41 Nb niobium 93 | 42 Mo molybdenum 96 | 43 Tc technetium — | 44 Ru ruthenium 101 | 45 Rh rhodium 103 | 46 Pd palladium 106 | 47 Ag silver 108 | 48 Cd cadmium 112 | 49 In indium 115 | 50 Sn tin 119 | 51 Sb antimony 122 | 52 Te tellurium 128 | 53 I iodine 127 | 54 Xe xenon 131 | |
| 55 Cs caesium 133 | 56 Ba barium 137 | 57–71 lanthanoids | | 72 Hf hafnium 178 | 73 Ta tantalum 181 | 74 W tungsten 184 | 75 Re rhenium 186 | 76 Os osmium 190 | 77 Ir iridium 192 | 78 Pt platinum 195 | 79 Au gold 197 | 80 Hg mercury 201 | 81 Tl thallium 204 | 82 Pb lead 207 | 83 Bi bismuth 209 | 84 Po polonium — | 85 At astatine — | 86 Rn radon — |
| 87 Fr francium — | 88 Ra radium — | 89–103 actinoids | | 104 Rf rutherfordium — | 105 Db dubnium — | 106 Sg seaborgium — | 107 Bh bohrium — | 108 Hs hassium — | 109 Mt meitnerium — | 110 Ds darmstadtium — | 111 Rg roentgenium — | 112 Cn copernicium — | 113 Nh nihonium — | 114 Fl flerovium — | 115 Mc moscovium — | 116 Lv livermorium — | 117 Ts tennessine — | 118 Og oganesson — |

lanthanoids

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| 57 La lanthanum 139 | 58 Ce cerium 140 | 59 Pr praseodymium 141 | 60 Nd neodymium 144 | 61 Pm promethium — | 62 Sm samarium 150 | 63 Eu europium 152 | 64 Gd gadolinium 157 | 65 Tb terbium 159 | 66 Dy dysprosium 163 | 67 Ho holmium 165 | 68 Er erbium 167 | 69 Tm thulium 169 | 70 Yb ytterbium 173 | 71 Lu lutetium 175 |
| 89 Ac actinium — | 90 Th thorium 232 | 91 Pa protactinium 231 | 92 U uranium 238 | 93 Np neptunium — | 94 Pu plutonium — | 95 Am americium — | 96 Cm curium — | 97 Bk berkelium — | 98 Cf californium — | 99 Es einsteinium — | 100 Fm fermium — | 101 Md mendelevium — | 102 No nobelium — | 103 Lr lawrencium — |

actinoids

The volume of one mole of any gas is 24 dm³ at room temperature and pressure (r.t.p.).