

Atomic Structure and Mass Spectroscopy Answers

1. (a) number of protons (1) 1
- (b) different number of neutrons (1) 1
they are 'isotopes' – not enough for the mark
- (c) (i) mass spectrometer (1)
allow spectroscopy
- (ii) (or average)

$$\frac{\text{mean mass of an atom (1)}}{(\text{mass}) 1 \text{ atom of } ^{12}\text{C}} \times 12 \text{ (1)}$$
 or
$$\frac{\text{mass of 1 mol of atoms (1)}}{\text{mass of 1 mol of } ^{12}\text{C atoms}} \times 12 \text{ (1)}$$
 or mean mass of an atom (1)
 or compared with {an atom of ^{12}C taken as 12
 { $\frac{1}{12}$ of a ^{12}C atom
If molecule, element or entity instead of 'atom' lose 1 mark 1
- (iii)
$$\frac{(82 \times 12) + (83 \times 12) + (84 \times 50) + (86 \times 26)}{100} \text{ (1)} = 84.16 \text{ (1)}$$
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allow 84.1 to 84.2 ignore units
- (d) $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 4s^2 3d^{10} 4p^6 \text{ (1)}$

not allow [Ar]
- (e) more protons (1)
or increased nuclear charge
 attracting electrons in the same {shell
 {orbital
 {sub-shell
 {energy level
or similar shielding 2
- (f) outer electron in Rb is in 5th shell (or additional shell) (1)
 further away (or more shielded) from nucleus (1)
mark independently but if there is contradiction – no marks 2

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2. (a) ^{34}S (1)
16 (1) 2
- (b) $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$ (1) 1
- (c) not accelerated (1) 1
- (d) 1.65×10^{-24} (1)
- $\frac{2 \cdot 158 \times 10^{-23}}{1 \cdot 993 \times 10^{-23}} \times 12$ (1) = 12.99 (1)
- or $6.023 \times 10^{23} \times 2.158 \times 10^{-23}$
= 12.998 (1)
- any use of ^{12}C & ^{13}C (1)
- $\frac{12 \times 98 \cdot 9}{100} + \frac{13 \times 1 \cdot 1}{100}$ (1)
- = 12.01 (1) 6 [10]
3. (a) *First ionisation energy equation* $\text{Li(g)} \rightarrow \text{Li}^+(\text{g}) + \text{e}^-$ (1)
- Second ionisation energy equation* $\text{Li}^+(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{Li}^{2+}(\text{g}) + \text{e}^-$ (1)
- state symbols (1) 3
- (b) (i) He's electron in 1s (1)
closer to nucleus (or no shielding) (1)
(or converse argument for Li)
- (ii) Be's outer electron in 2s (1)
lower in energy than 2p (1)
- (iii) Electron removed from positive ion (1)
which attracts the electron more (1)
(allow $\frac{1}{2}$ for 2nd electron nearer to the nucleus) 6 [9]

4. (a) (i) proportion / ratio / frequency / percentage / abundance of each isotope / different type of atom / specific atom
not amount unless relative amount compared to total amount **(1)**
 present in the (natural) isotopic mixture / sample of the element / compound containing the element **(1)**
 reference to relative atomic mass worth zero marks 2
- (ii) $(0.0802 \times 46) + (0.0731 \times 47) + (0.7381 \times 48)$
 $+ (0.0554 \times 49) + (0.0532 \times 50)$ **(1)**
 $= 47.9$ (ignore units) **(1)** 2
- (b) (i) total of three peaks (two extra peaks) **(1)**
 in a ratio of 1 : 2 : 1 with first peak at 158 and middle peak height 3.5 → 4.5cm **(1)**
 at positions 158, 160, 162 **(1)**
 for 2 peaks only, allow 1 mark if ratio 1: 1 and 2nd peak at 162 3
- (ii) 3 different permutations $^{79}\text{Br} - ^{79}\text{Br}$; $^{79}\text{Br} - ^{81}\text{Br}$; $^{81}\text{Br} - ^{81}\text{Br}$ **(1)**
 (allow this mark for appropriate argument, if 2 peaks given in (i)) 1
- (iii) $^{79}\text{Br} - ^{81}\text{Br}$ statistically twice as likely as $^{79}\text{Br} - ^{79}\text{Br}$ or $^{81}\text{Br} - ^{81}\text{Br}$ /
 4 possible permutations, with $^{79}\text{Br} - ^{81}\text{Br}$ and $^{81}\text{Br} - ^{79}\text{Br}$ being identical **(1)**
 (don't allow this mark if 2 peaks given in (i)) 72.759 1
- (c) $PV=nRT$ (1)
 $18.6\text{dm}^3 = 0.0186\text{m}^3$ AND $2.35\text{atm} = 238113.75\text{Pa}$ (1)
 $n = PV/RT$ $n = 238113.75 \times 0.0186 / 8.31 \times 293$ (1)
 $n = 1.82$ (1)
 1.82×40 (mr of Argon) = 72.8g (1)

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- (d) appropriate diagram, with one lone pair and three bonding pairs for ammonia (1)

appropriate diagram with two bonding pairs joining C to each O in CO₂ and

two lone pairs on each oxygen (1)

if inner electrons are shown they must be correct

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5. (a) protons mass +1 charge + (1)
neutrons mass +1 charge zero (1)
electrons mass ~ zero (or <1/1800), charge - (1)
nitrogen -14 has a nucleus with 7 protons and 7 neutrons (1)
surrounded by electrons in shells (or orbitals) (or 2,5) (1)
with configuration 1s² 2s² 2p³ (scores last 2 marks) (1)

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- (b) isotopes have the same atomic number (or same number of protons or same element) (1)
but different number of neutrons (or mass number) (1)

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- (c) sample introduced at low pressure (or gas or vapour or vacuum) (1)
electron gun (or bombarded with electrons) (1)
which knocks out an electron (or removes an electron) (1)
producing a positive ion (1)
the ions are accelerated (1)
and focused (or made into a beam) (1)
by an electric field (or negative plates or electric plates) (1)
magnetic field (or magnet) (1)
ions are deflected (1)
deflection depends on m/z of each ion (1)
lightest (or smallest m/z) deflected most (1)
ions go to a detector (1)
a small current is produced (or abundance counted) (1)
which is fed to a computer (or recorder or display or chart etc) (1)
electric field (or magnet) adjusted to collect ions of different mass (1)

Note: a picture of a spectrum can score the chart mark and the abundance mark (if the 'y' axis is labelled 'abundance' or '%').

max 14

- (d) fraction of each component is rel. int./44 (1)
[the mark is for 44, if 42 max 1]
relative atomic mass
= $1 \times 80/44 + 5 \times 82/44 + 5 \times 83/44 + 25 \times 84/44 + 8 \times 86/44$ (1)
= 83.9 (1)
Krypton (1)

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- (e) percentage by mass of oxygen = 38.0% (1)
ratio of elements = $42.9/12 : 2.4/1 : 16.7/14 : 38.0/16$ (1)
= 3.6 : 2.4 : 1.2 : 2.4
empirical formula is $C_3H_2NO_2$ (1)
molecular formula is $C_6H_4N_2O_4$ (1)

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