

## How far [55 marks]

1. [Maximum mark: 16]

Sulfur trioxide is an important compound in industry.

(a) Sulfur trioxide has more than one possible Lewis (electron dot) structure.

(a.i) Sketch a Lewis (electron dot) structure for  $\text{SO}_3$  which obeys the octet rule.

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(a.ii) Predict the length of each S to O bond in pm. Use section 10 of the data booklet.

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(a.iii) State the molecular geometry and the O-S-O bond angle in  $\text{SO}_3$ .

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Bond angle: .....

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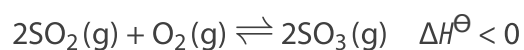
(b) Suggest why atmospheric  $\text{SO}_3$  (g) is an environmental concern.

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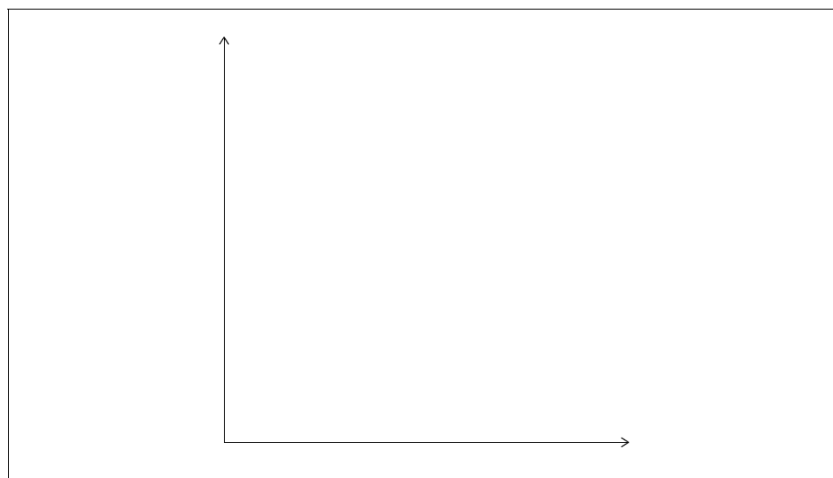
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- (c) State the name of a post-combustion method used to lower the quantity of  $\text{SO}_3(\text{g})$  released to the atmosphere.

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- (d)  $\text{SO}_3(\text{g})$  is made using the contact process.



- (d.i) Sketch a potential energy profile for this reaction on the axes provided. Label  $E_a$  and include labels on the axes.



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- (d.ii) Explain why increasing the temperature increases the rate of reaction.

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- (d.iii) Vanadium pentoxide,  $\text{V}_2\text{O}_5$ , is used as a catalyst. Explain how a catalyst increases the rate of a reaction.

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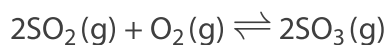
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- (d.iv) During the reaction,  $V_2O_5$  changes to  $V_2O_4$ . Identify the oxidation states of vanadium in each compound.

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- (d.v) State the equilibrium constant expression,  $K_c$ , for the production of  $SO_3$ .



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- (d.vi) Outline, with a reason, the effect of increasing the pressure on the position of equilibrium.

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**2.** [Maximum mark: 22]

Sulfur trioxide is an important compound in industry.

- (a) Sulfur trioxide has more than one possible Lewis (electron dot) structure.

- (a.i) Sketch **two** Lewis (electron dot) structures for  $\text{SO}_3$ , one of which obeys the octet rule and one of which does not.

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- (a.ii) State how chemists decide which Lewis (electron dot) structure is more stable.

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- (a.iii) Predict the length of each S to O bond in pm. Use section 10 of the data booklet.

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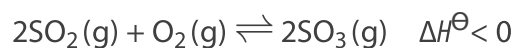
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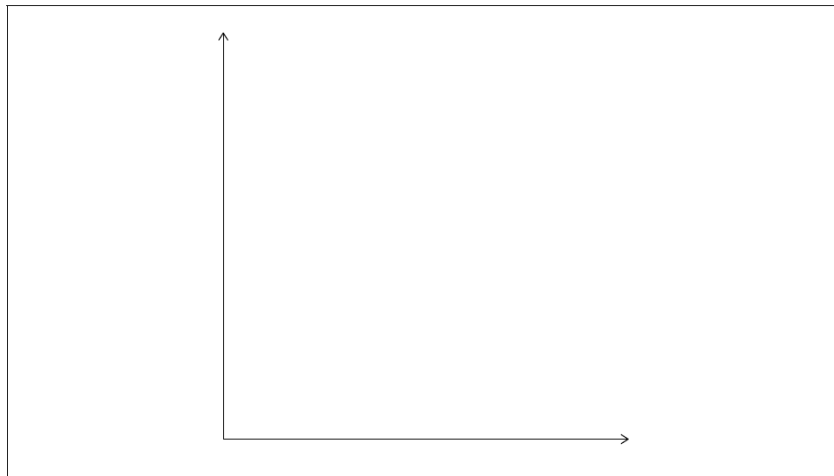
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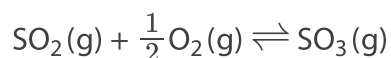
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- (d.v) State the equilibrium constant expression,  $K_c$ , for the production of 1 mol of  $SO_3$ .



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- (d.vi) Calculate the entropy change,  $\Delta S^\ominus$ , in  $J K^{-1} mol^{-1}$ , for the production of 1 mol of  $SO_3(g)$ . Use the absolute entropy values given in the table.

	$S^\ominus / J K^{-1} mol^{-1}$
$SO_2(g)$	248.2
$O_2(g)$	205.2
$SO_3(g)$	256.8

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- (d.vii) Outline, with reference to the equation, why the sign for the entropy change obtained in part (vi) is expected.

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- (d.viii) Calculate the value of Gibbs free energy,  $\Delta G^\ominus$ , of the reaction, in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ , at 773 K. Use section 1 of the data booklet and  $\Delta H^\ominus = -98.5 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ . If you did not obtain an answer for (d)(vi), use  $-100 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ , although this is not the correct answer. [1]

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- (d.ix) Calculate the value of the equilibrium constant for the formation of  $\text{SO}_3(\text{g})$  at 773 K. Use sections 1 and 2 of the data booklet. If you did not obtain an answer to (d)(viii), use  $-25.0 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ , although this is not the correct answer. [2]

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- (d.x) A flask contains  $0.120 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ SO}_2(\text{g})$ ,  $0.050 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ O}_2(\text{g})$  and  $0.150 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ SO}_3(\text{g})$  at 773 K. Deduce whether the system is at equilibrium and in which direction the reaction will proceed spontaneously if not at equilibrium. [2]

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The equilibrium constant for  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{NO}_2(\text{g})$  is  $K_c = 0.0059$  at 298 K.

What is the value of the equilibrium constant at 298 K for  $4\text{NO}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})$ ?

A.  $\frac{1}{0.0059}$

B.  $\frac{1}{0.0059^2}$

C. 0.0059

D.  $0.0059^2$

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4. [Maximum mark: 1]

Which pair of changes will both shift the position of equilibrium to the left?



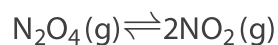
	Temperature	Pressure
A.	increase	increase
B.	decrease	decrease
C.	increase	decrease
D.	decrease	increase

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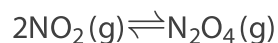
5. [Maximum mark: 1]

Consider the equilibrium between dinitrogen tetraoxide,  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4(\text{g})$ , and nitrogen dioxide,  $\text{NO}_2(\text{g})$ .





At a certain temperature, the  $K_c$  value for this reaction is 5. What is the  $K_c$  value for the reaction below at the same temperature?

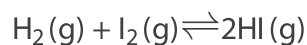


- A. 5
- B.  $\frac{1}{5}$
- C.  $\sqrt{5}$
- D.  $5^2$

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6. [Maximum mark: 1]

The value of  $K_c$  for the equilibrium between  $\text{H}_2(\text{g})$  and  $\text{I}_2(\text{g})$  is 51 at 720 K. Which combination is correct?

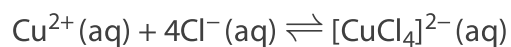


	Position of equilibrium	Free energy change at 720 K
A.	products are favoured	$\Delta G$ is positive
B.	products are favoured	$\Delta G$ is negative
C.	reactants are favoured	$\Delta G$ is positive
D.	reactants are favoured	$\Delta G$ is negative

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7. [Maximum mark: 8]

The complex ion  $[\text{CuCl}_4]^{2-}$  is formed when concentrated hydrochloric acid is added to an aqueous solution of hydrated copper(II) ions.



Blue                      Yellow

- (a) State an expression for the equilibrium constant,  $K_c$ , corresponding to this equation.

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- (b) The numerical value of  $K_c$  under standard conditions is  $4.2 \times 10^5$ . Calculate the ratio when the chloride ion concentration is  $0.210 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .

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- (c) Explain why  $\text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  is coloured, with reference to its electronic structure and section 15 of the data booklet.

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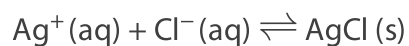
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- (d) State, with a reason, the effect of an increase in temperature on the value of  $K_c$ .  $\Delta H^\ominus > 0$

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- (e) State, with a reason, the effect of adding aqueous silver nitrate,  $\text{AgNO}_3(\text{aq})$ , on the position of this equilibrium.



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**8.** [Maximum mark: 1]

Which of the following equilibria would shift left with an increase in pressure?

- A.  $\text{H}_2(\text{g}) + \text{Br}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{HBr}(\text{g})$   
B.  $\text{C}(\text{s}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons \text{CO}(\text{g}) + \text{H}_2(\text{g})$   
C.  $\text{NO}(\text{g}) + \frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons \text{NO}_2(\text{g})$   
D.  $4\text{NH}_3(\text{g}) + 3\text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{N}_2(\text{g}) + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$

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**9.** [Maximum mark: 1]

What can increase the amount of  $\text{CS}_2(\text{g})$  present in the following system already at equilibrium?



- A. Adding a catalyst to the system

- B. Increasing the volume of the reaction vessel
- C. Adding some  $\text{Cl}_2(\text{g})$  to the system
- D. Cooling the system

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10. [Maximum mark: 1]

The system  $2\text{A}(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons \text{B}(\text{g}) + 3\text{C}(\text{g})$  is at equilibrium where the concentrations of A, B and C are all  $2 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .

What is the value of the equilibrium constant,  $K_c$ ?

- A. 2
- B. 3
- C. 4
- D. 8

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11. [Maximum mark: 1]

The exothermic reaction  $\text{I}_2(\text{g}) + 3\text{Cl}_2(\text{g}) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{ICl}_3(\text{g})$  is at equilibrium in a fixed volume. What is correct about the reaction quotient,  $Q$ , and shift in position of equilibrium the instant temperature is raised?

- A.  $Q > K$ , equilibrium shifts right towards products.
- B.  $Q > K$ , equilibrium shifts left towards reactants.
- C.  $Q < K$ , equilibrium shifts right towards products.

D.  $Q < K$ , equilibrium shifts left towards reactants.

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12. [Maximum mark: 1]

What is the intercept on the  $y$ -axis when a graph of  $\ln k$  is plotted against  $\frac{1}{T}$  on the  $x$ -axis?

$$\ln k = -\frac{E_a}{RT} + \ln A$$

A.  $\ln A$

B.  $-\frac{E_a}{R}$

C.  $-\frac{R}{E_a}$

D.  $E_a$

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