

90696

## Level 3 Chemistry, 2005

### 90696 Describe oxidation-reduction processes

#### Interactive paper

Credits: Three

You should answer ALL the questions in this paper.

Show all working for all calculations.

A periodic table is provided at the end of this paper.

Type your answers in the fields provided. Copy and paste any special characters needed from the box at the top of each page. Use the *Comment and Markup* tools to draw diagrams, circle options and so on. When you have finished, click the Show Answers button at the end of the paper. This will reveal the answers and marking schedule, and boxes for you to enter the grades (N, A, M or E). As you mark the paper your totals and overall performance will appear in the boxes below.

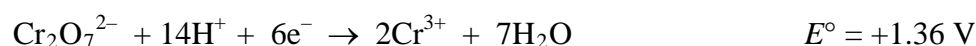
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Achievement Criteria		
Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
Identify and describe oxidation-reduction processes.	Use information about oxidation-reduction processes.	Analyse and interpret information about oxidation-reduction processes.
Overall Level of Performance		

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
SEVEN opportunities answered at Achievement level or higher. 7 × A	EIGHT opportunities answered with at least FOUR at Merit level or higher. 4 × M plus 4 × A	NINE opportunities answered with at least TWO at Excellence level and FOUR at Merit level. 2 × E plus 4 × M plus 3 × A

You are advised to spend 30 minutes answering the questions in this booklet.

### QUESTION ONE: COBALT AND CHROMIUM IN REDOX REACTIONS

An electrochemical cell is set up using appropriate electrodes and solutions of potassium dichromate and cobalt(II) nitrate. It is based on the following half-cell reactions:



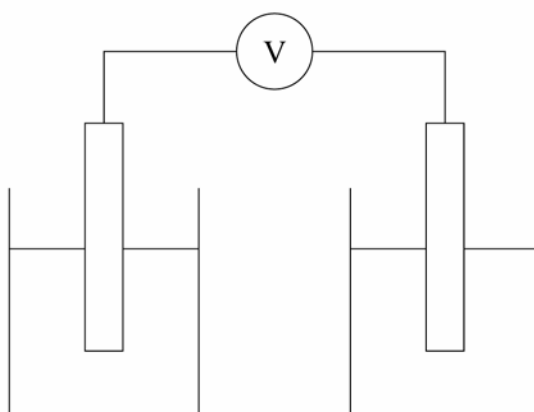
- (a) Write a balanced equation for the spontaneous reaction that would occur in the cell.

<b>1 a</b>	$\begin{array}{r} \text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} + 14\text{H}^{+} + 6\text{e}^{-} \rightarrow 2\text{Cr}^{3+} + 7\text{H}_2\text{O} \\ 3\text{Co} \rightarrow 3\text{Co}^{2+} + 6\text{e}^{-} \\ \hline \text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} + 14\text{H}^{+} + 3\text{Co} \rightarrow 2\text{Cr}^{3+} + 7\text{H}_2\text{O} + 3\text{Co}^{2+} \end{array}$	A = Correct equation
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- (b) Calculate the  $E^{\circ}$  for the spontaneous reaction in the above cell.

<b>1 b</b>	$\begin{array}{r} \text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} + 14\text{H}^{+} + 6\text{e}^{-} \rightarrow 2\text{Cr}^{3+} + 7\text{H}_2\text{O} \quad E^{\circ} = +1.36 \text{ V} \\ 3\text{Co} \rightarrow 3\text{Co}^{2+} + 6\text{e}^{-} \quad E^{\circ} = +0.28 \text{ V} \\ \text{(reversed because Ox)} \\ \text{Therefore } E_{\text{cell}} = +1.36 \text{ V} + 0.28 \text{ V} = +1.64 \text{ V} \\ \text{OR } E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{red}} - E_{\text{ox}} \\ = 1.36 \text{ V} - (-0.28 \text{ V}) \\ = +1.64 \text{ V} \end{array}$	A = Correct answer
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- (c) **Complete** the diagram below to show how the electrochemical cell would be set up. On your diagram **label** the electrodes, the solutions (electrolytes) and indicate the **direction** of the flow of charge (cations, anions and electrons) between the two half-cells.

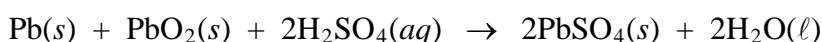


<b>1 c</b>		<p>Cell drawing (beakers may be swapped over)</p> <p><b>A</b> = Salt bridge shown OR one half-cell correct (Co electrode with <math>\text{Co}^{2+}</math> or <math>\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}</math> and <math>\text{Cr}^{3+}</math> with Pt or C electrode).</p> <p><b>M</b> = Salt bridge shown AND both half-cells correct (spectator ions optional).</p> <p>Electron and ion flow:</p> <p><b>A</b> = Electron flow from Co to Pt OR anion flow toward Co OR cation flow toward Pt.</p> <p><b>M</b> = Electron flow AND both ion flow correct.</p>
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## QUESTION TWO: CAR BATTERIES

Lead storage batteries have been used in cars for the past 85 years. The spontaneous reaction for each cell in the battery is:



(a) (i) Give the oxidation numbers for lead in:

Pb \_\_\_\_\_ PbO<sub>2</sub> \_\_\_\_\_ PbSO<sub>4</sub> \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) Show how these oxidation numbers can be used to identify the oxidant and reductant in the cell reaction.

<b>2a</b>	<p><b>i</b> Pb = 0      PbO<sub>4</sub> = +4      PbSO<sub>4</sub> = +2</p> <p><b>ii</b> The oxidant is the species that has been reduced – ie its oxidation number has decreased. The oxidant in this reaction is PbO<sub>4</sub> because the oxidation number of the Pb has decreased from +4 to +2.</p> <p>The reductant is the species that has been oxidised – ie its oxidation number has increased. The reductant in this reaction is Pb because its oxidation number has increased from 0 to +2.</p>	<p><b>A</b> = States the relationship between oxidant/reductant and oxidation number OR identifies the oxidant and reductant in the reactions OR identifies one of oxidant or reductant with oxidation number change.</p> <p><b>M</b> = Complete answer.</p>
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(b) Write balanced half-equations for the reactions occurring at the anode and the cathode of each cell in the battery.

Anode:

Cathode:

<b>2b</b>	<p>Anode: <math>\text{Pb}(s) \rightarrow \text{Pb}^{2+}(aq) + 2e^-</math></p> <p>Cathode: <math>\text{PbO}_2(s) + 4\text{H}^+(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow \text{Pb}^{2+}(aq) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(l)</math></p> <p>(Equations may be written using PbSO<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>)</p>	<p><b>A</b> = One equation correct at correct electrode OR both equations correct but at wrong electrodes.</p> <p><b>M</b> = Both equations correct and at correct electrodes.</p>
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## QUESTION THREE: ANALYSIS OF COPPER IN BRASS

In an analysis of the amount of **copper** in a brass screw, the following series of reactions were carried out.

- Step 1      The brass screw was placed in concentrated nitric acid and left until the reaction was complete.
- Step 2      Aqueous potassium iodide was added. Reaction occurred to give a white precipitate in a yellow-brown solution.
- Step 3      The mixture was filtered to remove the white precipitate. The remaining yellow-brown solution was titrated with sodium thiosulfate (using starch as an indicator). At the end point of the titration, the solution was colourless.

(a) Describe the observations that would be made as step 1 is carried out.

<b>3a</b>	<p>The yellow/brown screw is placed in colourless nitric acid. A brown gas is produced, the liquid turns green/blue, heat is produced and the metal slowly disappears. When all the gas has evolved the liquid turns blue.</p>	<p><b>A</b> = At least two correct observations including at least one colour change.</p>
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(b) Write balanced half-equations for the reaction of copper with concentrated nitric acid.

<b>3b</b>	$\text{Cu(s)} \rightarrow \text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^{-}$ $\text{NO}_3^{-}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{H}^{+} + \text{e}^{-} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2(\text{g}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ <p>OR</p> $2\text{NO}_3^{-}(\text{aq}) + 4\text{H}^{+} + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightarrow 2\text{NO}_2(\text{g}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	<p><b>A</b> = One half-equation correct (accept use of HNO<sub>3</sub> in place of NO<sub>3</sub><sup>−</sup>).</p> <p><b>M</b> = Both half-equations correct.</p>
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(c) Account for the observations at steps 2 and 3 by identifying the reactions occurring. Include balanced equations for each reaction.

Step 2:

Step 3:

<b>3c</b>	<p>Step 2 In this reaction I<sup>−</sup>(aq) reacts with Cu<sup>2+</sup>. The I<sup>−</sup> is oxidised to I<sub>2</sub> while the Cu<sup>2+</sup> is reduced to Cu<sup>+</sup>.</p> $2\text{I}^{-}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{I}_2(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^{-}$ $2\text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightarrow 2\text{Cu}^{+}(\text{aq})$ <p>The Cu<sup>+</sup> combines with I<sup>−</sup> to form the white solid CuI(s).</p> <p>Overall equation:</p> $2\text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 4\text{I}^{-}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow 2\text{CuI}(\text{s}) + \text{I}_2(\text{aq})$ <p>Step 3 In this reaction yellow-brown I<sub>2</sub>(aq) is reduced by colourless S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>2−</sup>(aq) to form colourless I<sup>−</sup>(aq). The S<sub>4</sub>O<sub>6</sub><sup>2−</sup>(aq) also formed is colourless too.</p> $\text{I}_2(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^{-} \rightarrow 2\text{I}^{-}(\text{aq})$ $2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{S}_4\text{O}_6^{2-}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^{-}$ <p>Overall equation</p> $\text{I}_2(\text{aq}) + 2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow 2\text{I}^{-}(\text{aq}) + \text{S}_4\text{O}_6^{2-}(\text{aq})$	<p><b>A</b> = One observation from either step 2 or 3 linked to a species involved (name or formula).</p> <p><b>M</b> = Two observations linked to the appropriate half-equations.</p> <p><b>E</b> = One redox reaction (step 2 or step 3) completely identified with observations explained, the appropriate half-equations and a full balanced (ionic or full) equation written.</p>
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**PERIODIC TABLE OF THE ELEMENTS**

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