

Equilibria

Mark Scheme 9

Level	International A Level
Subject	Chemistry
Exam Board	CIE
Topic	Equilibria
Sub-Topic	
Paper Type	Theory
Booklet	Mark Scheme 9

Time Allowed: 63 minutes

Score: /52

Percentage: /100

Grade Boundaries:

A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
>85%	77.5%	70%	62.5%	57.5%	45%	<45%

- 1 (a) (i) thermal stability decreases down Group VII (1)
- (ii) from Cl to I, atomic size increases **or**
 the bonding pair is further from the nucleus of X **or**
 H—X bond becomes longer **or**
 smaller orbital overlap occurs (1)
 hence H—X bond strength decreases down Group VII (1) [3]

(b) $K_c = \frac{[HI]^2}{[H_2] \times [I_2]}$ (1)

no units – must be clearly stated (1) [2]

- (c) (i) no change (1)
 K_c has no units **or** (1)
 same no. of molecules / moles each side of equilibrium (1)
- (ii) equilibrium moves to RHS (1)
 K_c increases with decreasing temperature **or** (1)
 forward reaction is exothermic **or** (1)
 reverse reaction is endothermic (1) [4]

	H ₂ (g)	I ₂ (g)	=	2HI(g)	
initial moles	0.02	0.02		0	
equil. moles	(0.02 – y)	(0.02 – y)		2y	(1)
equil. conc/mol dm ⁻³	$\frac{(0.02 - y)}{1}$	$\frac{(0.02 - y)}{1}$		$\frac{2y}{1}$	

$$K_c = \frac{HI^2}{[H_2] \times [I_2]} = \frac{(2y)^2}{(0.02 - y)^2} = 59 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{2y}{(0.02 - y)} = \sqrt{59} = 7.7$$

$$2y = (7.7 \times 0.02) - 7.7y$$

$$9.7y = 0.154$$

$$\text{gives } y = \frac{0.154}{9.7} = 0.0159 = 0.016 \quad (1)$$

at equilibrium

$$n(HI) = 2 \times 0.016 = 0.032 \text{ and}$$

$$n(H_2) = n(I_2) = (0.02 - 0.016) = 0.004 \quad (1)$$

allow ecf where possible (4)

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2 (a) manufacture of ammonia/Haber process **or** hydrogenation of fats/oils **or** making margarine **or** hydrocracking (1) [1]

(b) **increasing the pressure**
 equilibrium will move to LHS (1)
 fewer moles/molecules on LHS or more moles/molecules on RHS (1)

(ii) **decreasing the temperature**
 equilibrium will move to LHS (1)
 forward reaction is endothermic (1) [4]

(c) rate will increase (1)
 collisions will occur more frequently (1) [2]

(d) (i) $K_c = \frac{[\text{CO}_2][\text{H}_2]}{[\text{CO}][\text{H}_2\text{O}]}$ (

(ii)

	CO(g)	+ H ₂ O(g)	⇌	CO ₂ (g)	+ H ₂ (g)
initial moles	0.40	0.40		0.20	0.20
equil moles	(0.40 - y)	(0.40 - y)		(0.20 + y)	(0.20 + y)
equil concn./mol dm ⁻³	$\frac{(0.40 - y)}{1}$	$\frac{(0.40 - y)}{1}$		$\frac{(0.20 + y)}{1}$	$\frac{(0.20 + y)}{1}$

$$K_c = \frac{(0.20 + y)^2}{(0.40 - y)^2} = 6.40 \times 10^{-1} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{(0.20 + y)}{(0.40 - y)} = \sqrt{6.40 \times 10^{-1}} = 0.8$$

$$(0.20 + y) = 0.8 \times (0.40 - y)$$

$$0.20 + y = 0.32 - 0.8y$$

$$1.8y = 0.12$$

$$\text{gives } y = 0.067 \quad (1)$$

at equilibrium

$$n(\text{CO}) = n(\text{H}_2\text{O}) = (0.40 - 0.067) = 0.33 \text{ mol and}$$

$$n(\text{CO}_2) = n(\text{H}_2) = (0.20 + 0.067) = 0.27 \text{ mol}$$

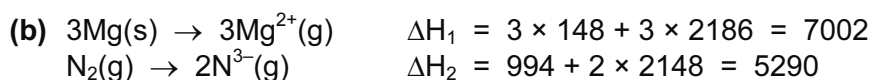
allow ecf as appropriate [5]

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- 3 (a) (i) break large hydrocarbons into smaller hydrocarbons **or**
break down large hydrocarbons (1)
- smaller hydrocarbons are more useful **or**
smaller hydrocarbons are more in demand (1)
- (ii) using high temperatures/thermal cracking **or**
using catalysts/catalytic cracking (1)
- (iii) $C_{14}H_{30} \rightarrow C_7H_{16} + C_7H_{14}$ **or**
 $C_{14}H_{30} \rightarrow C_7H_{16} + C_2H_4 + C_5H_{10}$ **or**
 $C_{14}H_{30} \rightarrow C_7H_{16} + C_3H_6 + C_4H_8$ **or**
 $C_{14}H_{30} \rightarrow C_7H_{16} + 2C_2H_4 + C_3H_6$ (1)
- do not allow any equation with H_2 [4]
- (b) ethanol has hydrogen bonding, ethanethiol does not (1) [1]
- (c) $C_2H_5SH + \frac{9}{2}O_2 \rightarrow 2CO_2 + SO_2 + 3H_2O$ **or**
 $2C_2H_5SH + 9O_2 \rightarrow 4CO_2 + 2SO_2 + 6H_2O$
correct products (1)
correct equation which is balanced (1)
- (ii) **for CO_2**
enhanced greenhouse effect (1)
global warming (1)
- for SO_2**
formation of acid rain (1)
damage to stonework of buildings/
dissolving of aluminium ions into rivers/
damage to watercourses or forests/
aquatic life destroyed/
corrosion of metals (1) [6]
- (d) help detect leaks of gas (1) [1]
- (e) temperature of $450^\circ C$ (1)
pressure of 1 – 2 atm (1)
 V_2O_5 /vanadium(V) oxide/vanadium pentoxide catalyst [3]

[Total: 15]

4 (a) $\text{N}\equiv\text{N}$ triple bond is (very) strong
or the N_2 molecule has no polarity [1]



$\text{LE} = -\Delta H_1 - \Delta H_2 - 461 = -12,753 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ (–[1] for each error) [3]

(c) (i) $\text{Li}_3\text{N} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{NH}_3 + 3\text{LiOH}$ (balanced equation) [1]

(ii) advantage: no high pressure/temperature/catalyst needed/standard conditions used [1]

disadvantage: Li is expensive
or Li would need to be recycled/removed
or LiOH by-product is corrosive/strongly basic
or this would be a batch, rather than continuous process [1]

(d) (i) Li_3N : $100 \times 14/35 = 40\% \text{ N}$ [1]
urea: $100 \times 28/60 = 47\% \text{ N}$ [1]

(ii) amide [1]

(iii) $\text{NH}_2\text{CONH}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2\text{NH}_3 + \text{CO}_2$
or $\rightarrow \text{NH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H} + \text{NH}_3$
or $\text{NH}_2\text{CONH}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2\text{NH}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$ [1]

(iv) The LiOH would be strongly alkaline
or would increase the pH of the soil
or would 'burn' the crops/reduce plant growth/stunt plants
or would contaminate the environment [1]

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