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# Chemistry

Assessment Unit AS 2

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Further Physical and Inorganic  
Chemistry and an Introduction to  
Organic Chemistry



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**TUESDAY 23 MAY, MORNING**

## TIME

1 hour 30 minutes.

## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

Answer all fifteen questions in Sections A and B.

You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.

Do not write outside the boxed area on each page or on blank pages.

Complete in black ink only. Do not write with a gel pen or a pencil.

## INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 90.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in Question 15(f).

The figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question.

A Periodic Table of Elements, containing some data, is included with this question paper.

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## Section A

For each of the following questions, only **one** of the lettered responses (A–D) is correct.

**Select the correct response for each question and write the appropriate letter in the space provided.**

1 Which Group II compound would be most suitable for use in indigestion remedies?

- A Calcium chloride
- B Calcium oxide
- C Magnesium oxide
- D Magnesium sulfate

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

2 Unsaturated vegetable oils are hardened to make margarine by reacting them with hydrogen in the presence of a nickel catalyst. Which terms could be used to describe this type of reaction?

- A Addition and oxidation
- B Addition and reduction
- C Substitution and oxidation
- D Substitution and reduction

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

3 Which one of the following species can act as a nucleophile?

- A  $\text{H}_2$
- B  $\text{H}^+$
- C Na
- D  $\text{OH}^-$

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

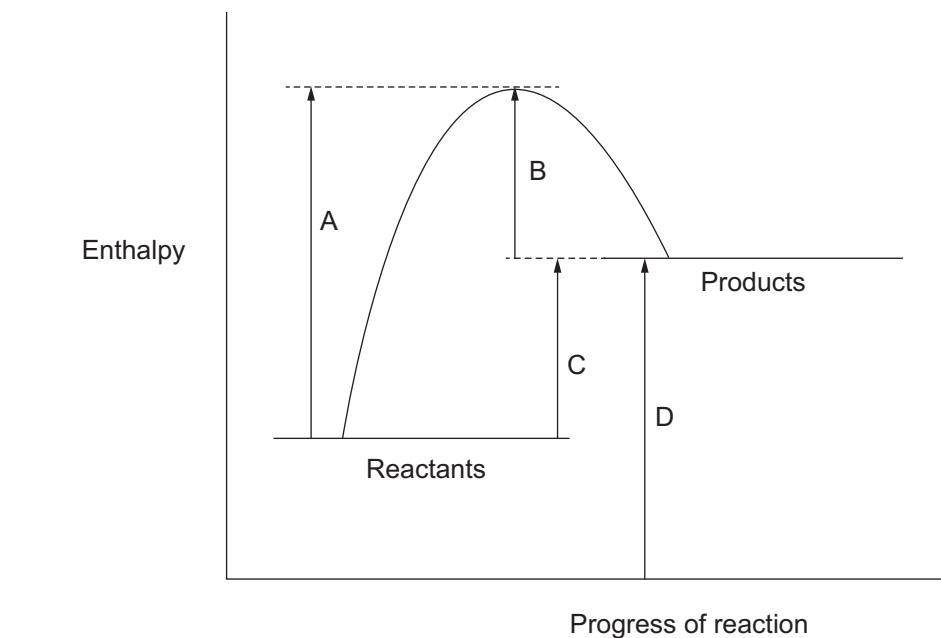


- 4 When iodoethane is heated in a sealed tube with an excess of ammonia in ethanol as a solvent, which compound is **not** formed?

- A  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$
- B  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$
- C  $(\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2)_2\text{NH}$
- D  $\text{NH}_4\text{I}$

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

- 5 An enthalpy level diagram for a reversible reaction is shown below. Which letter represents the activation energy for the reverse reaction?

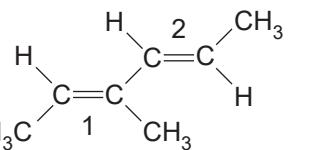


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- 6 The alkene 3-methylhexa-2,4-diene has two C=C double bonds. The arrangement around each double bond can be E or Z. Which one of the following shows the correct orientations of double bond 1 and double bond 2 in the isomer shown below?

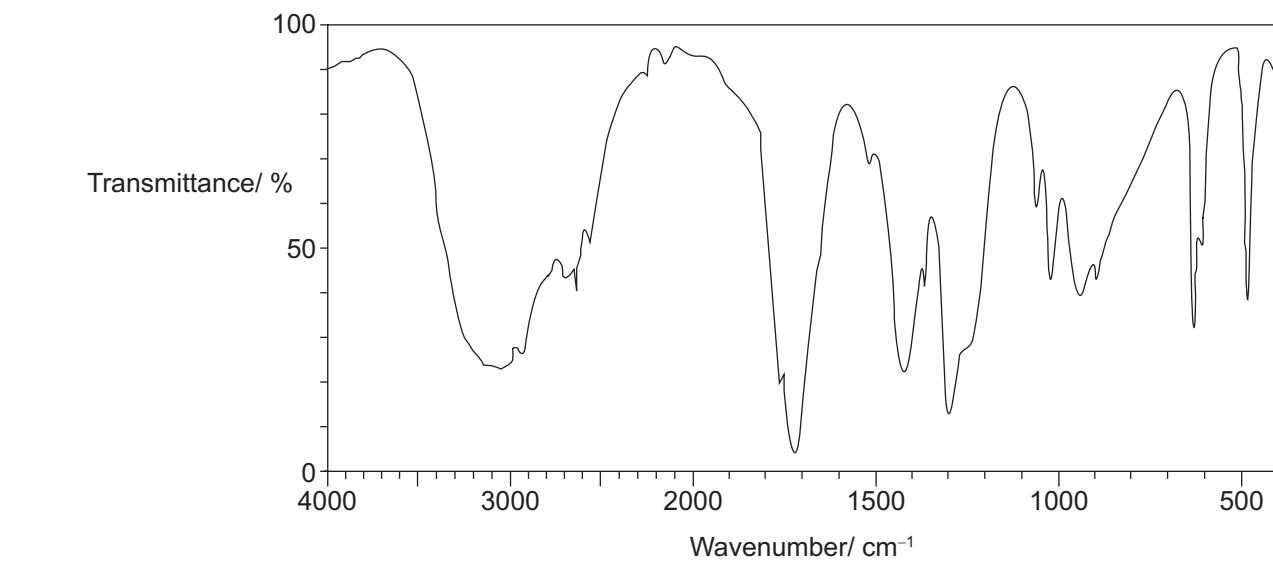


	Double bond 1	Double bond 2
A	E	E
B	E	Z
C	Z	E
D	Z	Z

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ [1]



7 The infrared spectrum of an organic molecule is shown below.



Which one of the following compounds could produce this infrared spectrum?

- A Propan-1-ol
- B Propanal
- C Propanone
- D Propanoic acid

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

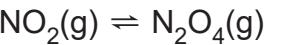
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- 8** Brown nitrogen dioxide,  $\text{NO}_2$ , exists in equilibrium with colourless dinitrogen tetroxide,  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ .



The pressure on the equilibrium is decreased. What effect will this have on the appearance of the mixture of the gases?

- A The appearance of the mixture of gases is unchanged
- B The mixture of gases becomes colourless
- C The mixture of gases becomes darker brown
- D The mixture of gases becomes lighter brown

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

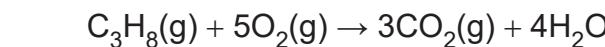
- 9** The molecular formula of penicillin is  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}$ . A sample of penicillin contains 0.25 moles of carbon. The mass of sulfur in the sample is:

- A 0.016 g
- B 0.50 g
- C 4.0 g
- D 8.0 g

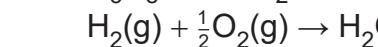
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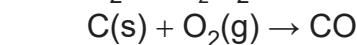
**10** Calculate the standard enthalpy of formation of propane using the data below.



$$\Delta H^\ominus = -2220 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$



$$\Delta H^\ominus = -286 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$



$$\Delta H^\ominus = -394 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

A  $-1540 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

B  $-106 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

C  $+106 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

D  $+1540 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

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## Section B

Answer all **five** questions in the spaces provided.

- 11 The Solvay process is used to produce sodium carbonate. The process consists of several steps involving the use of ammonia, sodium chloride and calcium carbonate.

- (a) The overall equation for the formation of sodium carbonate may be written as the reaction between calcium carbonate and sodium chloride. Write the overall equation for this process.

\_\_\_\_\_ [2]

- (b) The equation for one of the steps in the process is shown below.



- (i) Calculate the percentage atom economy for the formation of ammonia in the above reaction. Give your answer to 1 decimal place.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ % [2]

- (ii) During this stage of the process, 3.25 tonnes of ammonium chloride are reacted with an excess of calcium hydroxide and 0.92 tonnes of ammonia were obtained. Calculate the percentage yield of ammonia. Give your answer to 1 decimal place.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ % [3]



- 12 The thermal decomposition of potassium hydrogencarbonate establishes a dynamic equilibrium in a closed vessel at 200 °C. The enthalpy change for the decomposition reaction is difficult to determine directly.



- (a) (i) The equilibrium is heterogeneous. Define the term **heterogeneous**.

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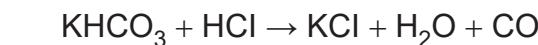
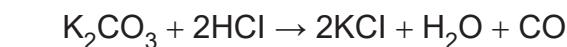
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- (ii) Suggest why the water is present as a gas in the equilibrium mixture.

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- (b) The enthalpy change for this thermal decomposition reaction can be calculated from the enthalpy changes of neutralisation of both potassium carbonate and potassium hydrogencarbonate.



Both of these enthalpy changes may be determined using the following procedure:

- Using a measuring cylinder, place 25 cm<sup>3</sup> of 2.0 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> hydrochloric acid into a polystyrene cup.
- Measure the temperature of the acid with a thermometer.
- Add a known mass of either potassium carbonate or potassium hydrogencarbonate to the acid in the polystyrene cup, stir, and measure the highest or lowest temperature reached.

- (i) Define the term **standard enthalpy of neutralisation**.

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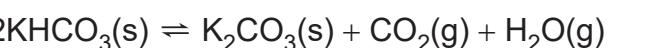


- (ii) When the procedure was carried out using 2.5 g of potassium carbonate, a temperature rise of 5.5 °C was recorded. Calculate the enthalpy change for the reaction per mole of potassium carbonate. Give your answer in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> to 1 decimal place.

(c = 4.2 J g<sup>-1</sup> °C<sup>-1</sup>, density of solution = 1 g cm<sup>-3</sup>)

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> [3]

- (iii) When the procedure was repeated using potassium hydrogencarbonate, the enthalpy change for the reaction was determined to be +29.1 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> (per mole of potassium hydrogencarbonate). Use this value and the value calculated in (b)(ii) to calculate the enthalpy change for the thermal decomposition of potassium hydrogencarbonate.



Answer \_\_\_\_\_ [2]



- 13** Isooctane (2,2,4-trimethylpentane) is an important component of petrol used in cars. It is a liquid at room temperature. Isooctane is one of eighteen structural isomers of  $C_8H_{18}$ .

**(a) (i)** Draw the skeletal formula of isoctane.

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**(ii)** Define the term **structural isomers**.

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**(iii)** Draw the structural formula and state the IUPAC name of the structural isomer of  $C_8H_{18}$  which is the most branched.

IUPAC name: \_\_\_\_\_ [2]

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- (b) (i) Write an equation for the complete combustion of isoctane, C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>18</sub>.

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- (ii) Suggest why a sooty flame is observed when a sample of isoctane burns.

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- (iii) When 1.00 g of liquid isoctane reacts completely in excess oxygen, the enthalpy change is -47.9 kJ. Calculate the heat energy released when 5.00 dm<sup>3</sup> of liquid isoctane burns completely in oxygen (density of isoctane = 0.692 g cm<sup>-3</sup>). Give your answer to 3 significant figures.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ kJ [3]

- (c) The combustion of organic compounds has contributed to the increase in the percentage composition of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.

- (i) State the percentage increase in atmospheric carbon dioxide caused by the combustion of organic compounds.

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- (ii) State a consequence of an increase in atmospheric carbon dioxide.

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(d) Pollutants such as carbon monoxide and oxides of nitrogen are also produced when alkane fuels are burned. Catalytic converters are used to reduce the environmental impact of burning alkane fuels. They consist of a thin layer of a metal catalyst on a ceramic honeycomb structure.

(i) Suggest why a catalytic converter has a honeycomb structure.

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(ii) Suggest why a **thin layer** of the metal catalyst is used in a catalytic converter.

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(iii) Write an equation for the overall reaction between nitrogen(II) oxide and carbon monoxide in a catalytic converter.

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(iv) Define the term **catalyst**.

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(v) State the name given to the graphical distribution of molecular energies in gaseous reactions.

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- (vi) Explain, with reference to the graphical distribution named in (d)(v), how a catalyst changes the rate of reaction between nitrogen(II) oxide and carbon monoxide.

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- 14** The Group II elements are known as the alkaline earth metals and they display trends in their physical and chemical properties.

- (a) State and explain the trend in atomic radius down Group II.

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- (b) The Group II elements react with oxygen to form the corresponding metal oxides.

- (i) Write an equation for the reaction of magnesium with oxygen.

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- (ii) The magnesium oxide produced in (b)(i) was added to a flask containing water and phenolphthalein. Suggest and explain, using an ionic equation, why the solution will change colour.

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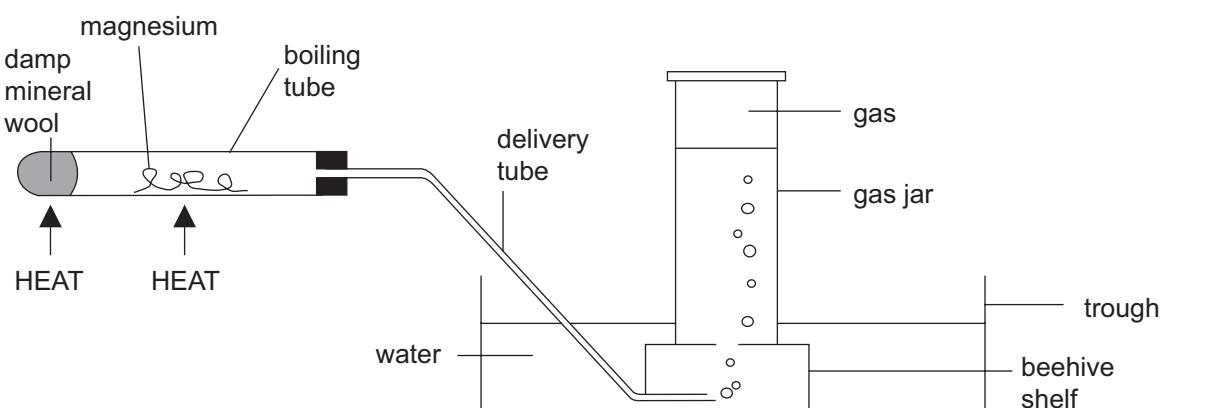
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- (c) Magnesium oxide may also be produced by reacting magnesium with steam. The diagram below shows the apparatus used in the reaction.



- (i) State why the damp mineral wool is heated.

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- (ii) State two observations which would be made in the boiling tube during the reaction.

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- (iii) Write an equation for the reaction which takes place in the boiling tube.

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]

- (iv) Suggest why the gas produced is collected over water.

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]



- (v) The reaction was carried out using 0.08 g of magnesium. Calculate the volume of gas at 20 °C and 1 atm pressure that should be produced and suggest why this volume of gas was not obtained in the gas jar.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ cm<sup>3</sup>

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- (d) Group II oxides can react with dilute acids.

Write an equation for the reaction between magnesium oxide and dilute nitric acid.

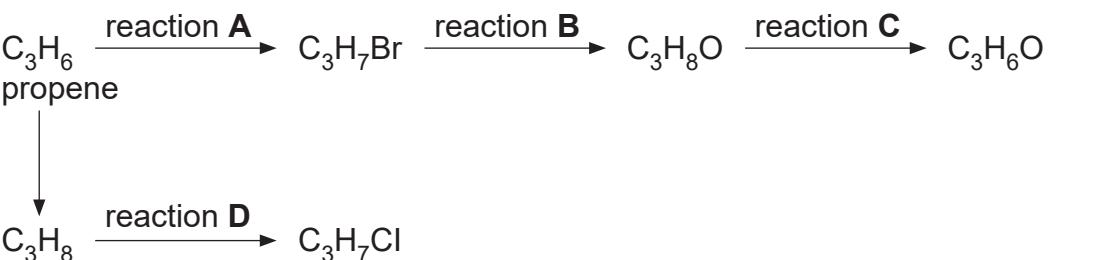
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- 15 Propene ( $C_3H_6$ ) is a raw material obtained from crude oil which can be used to produce many important chemicals. A reaction scheme is shown below.



- (a) State the name of the mechanism for reaction A and reaction B.

A \_\_\_\_\_

B \_\_\_\_\_ [4]

- (b) (i) Write an equation for reaction A.

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]

- (ii) Two isomers of  $C_3H_7Br$  are produced in reaction A. State the IUPAC name of the isomer which is the major product.

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]

- (iii) Draw a mechanism to show the formation of the major product in reaction A.

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(c) (i) Write the formula of the reagent required in reaction **B**.

[1]

(ii) Describe the conditions required for reaction **B**.

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(iii) The reagent required in reaction **B** can also be used, under different conditions, to convert  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{Br}$  back to  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_6$ . State the type of reaction which occurs when  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{Br}$  is converted to  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_6$ .

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(d) (i) Draw the structural formulae of the two isomers of  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{O}$  which are produced in reaction **C**.

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(ii) Name the reagent used to carry out reaction **C**.

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(e)  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$  reacts with  $\text{Cl}_2$  to form  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{Cl}$  in reaction D. One by-product in this reaction is  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{14}$ .

(i) Name the mechanism for this reaction.

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]

(ii) Write an equation for the initiation step in this mechanism.

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]

(iii) Write equations for the two propagation steps in this mechanism.

\_\_\_\_\_ [2]

(iv) Write an equation for a termination step which produces  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{Cl}$ .

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]

(v) Write an equation to show how  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{14}$  may be produced in this reaction.

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]



- (f) Pentane,  $C_5H_{12}$ , is also obtained from crude oil. It has the same relative formula mass as butanal,  $C_4H_8O$ , and a similar relative formula mass to butan-1-ol,  $C_4H_9OH$ . However, the three compounds have very different boiling points.

Identify which compound (pentane, butanal or butan-1-ol) has the highest boiling point and which has the lowest boiling point.

Explain the variation in boiling points of the three compounds with reference to intermolecular forces.

**In this question you will be assessed on your written communication skills including the use of specialist scientific terms.**

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## General Information

1 tonne =  $10^6$  g

1 metre =  $10^9$  nm

One mole of any gas at 293 K and a pressure of 1 atmosphere ( $10^5$  Pa) occupies a volume of 24 dm<sup>3</sup>

Avogadro Constant =  $6.02 \times 10^{23}$  mol<sup>-1</sup>

Planck Constant =  $6.63 \times 10^{-34}$  Js

Specific Heat Capacity of water = 4.2 J g<sup>-1</sup> K<sup>-1</sup>

Speed of Light =  $3 \times 10^8$  ms<sup>-1</sup>



## Characteristic absorptions in IR spectroscopy

Wavenumber/cm <sup>-1</sup>	Bond	Compound
550–850	C–X (X = Cl, Br, I)	Haloalkanes
750–1100	C–C	Alkanes, alkyl groups
1000–1300	C–O	Alcohols, esters, carboxylic acids
1450–1650	C=C	Arenes
1600–1700	C=C	Alkenes
1650–1800	C=O	Carboxylic acids, esters, aldehydes, ketones, amides, acyl chlorides
2200–2300	C≡N	Nitriles
2500–3200	O–H	Carboxylic acids
2750–2850	C–H	Aldehydes
2850–3000	C–H	Alkanes, alkyl groups, alkenes, arenes
3200–3600	O–H	Alcohols
3300–3500	N–H	Amines, amides

## Proton Chemical Shifts in Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy

(relative to TMS)

Chemical Shift	Structure	
0.5–2.0	–CH	Saturated alkanes
0.5–5.5	–OH	Alcohols
1.0–3.0	–NH	Amines
2.0–3.0	–CO–CH	Ketones
	–N–CH	Amines
	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> –CH	Arene (aliphatic on ring)
2.0–4.0	X–CH	X = Cl or Br (3.0–4.0) X = I (2.0–3.0)
	–C=CH	Alkenes
4.5–6.0	RCONH	Amides
5.5–8.5	–C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	Arenes (on ring)
6.0–8.0	–CHO	Aldehydes
9.0–10.0	–COOH	Carboxylic acids

These chemical shifts are concentration and temperature dependent and may be outside the ranges indicated above.

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I      II      **THE PERIODIC TABLE OF ELEMENTS**      III      IV      V      VI      VII      0  
 Group

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1 <b>H</b> Hydrogen																	4 <b>He</b> Helium
7 <b>Li</b> Lithium	9 <b>Be</b> Beryllium																2 <b>Ne</b> Neon
23 <b>Na</b> Sodium	24 <b>Mg</b> Magnesium																10 <b>Ar</b> Argon
39 <b>K</b> Potassium	40 <b>Ca</b> Calcium	45 <b>Sc</b> Scandium	48 <b>Ti</b> Titanium	51 <b>V</b> Vanadium	52 <b>Cr</b> Chromium	55 <b>Mn</b> Manganese	56 <b>Fe</b> Iron	59 <b>Co</b> Cobalt	59 <b>Ni</b> Nickel	64 <b>Cu</b> Copper	65 <b>Zn</b> Zinc	70 <b>Ga</b> Gallium	73 <b>Ge</b> Germanium	75 <b>As</b> Arsenic	79 <b>Se</b> Selenium	80 <b>Br</b> Bromine	84 <b>Kr</b> Krypton
85 <b>Rb</b> Rubidium	88 <b>Sr</b> Strontium	89 <b>Y</b> Yttrium	91 <b>Zr</b> Zirconium	93 <b>Nb</b> Niobium	96 <b>Mo</b> Molybdenum	98 <b>Tc</b> Technetium	101 <b>Ru</b> Ruthenium	103 <b>Rh</b> Rhodium	106 <b>Pd</b> Palladium	108 <b>Ag</b> Silver	112 <b>Cd</b> Cadmium	115 <b>In</b> Indium	119 <b>Sn</b> Tin	122 <b>Sb</b> Antimony	128 <b>Te</b> Tellurium	127 <b>I</b> Iodine	131 <b>Xe</b> Xenon
133 <b>Cs</b> Caesium	137 <b>Ba</b> Barium	139 <b>La*</b> Lanthanum	178 <b>Hf</b> Hafnium	181 <b>Ta</b> Tantalum	184 <b>W</b> Tungsten	186 <b>Re</b> Rhenium	190 <b>Os</b> Osmium	192 <b>Ir</b> Iridium	195 <b>Pt</b> Platinum	197 <b>Au</b> Gold	201 <b>Hg</b> Mercury	204 <b>Tl</b> Thallium	207 <b>Pb</b> Lead	209 <b>Bi</b> Bismuth	210 <b>Po</b> Polonium	210 <b>At</b> Astatine	222 <b>Rn</b> Radon
223 <b>Fr</b> Francium	226 <b>Ra</b> Radium	227 <b>Ac<sup>†</sup></b> Actinium	261 <b>Rf</b> Rutherfordium	262 <b>Db</b> Dubnium	266 <b>Sg</b> Seaborgium	264 <b>Bh</b> Bohrium	277 <b>Hs</b> Hassium	268 <b>Mt</b> Meitnerium	271 <b>Ds</b> Darmstadtium	272 <b>Rg</b> Roentgenium	285 <b>Cn</b> Copernicium						

\* 58 – 71 Lanthanum series  
 † 90 – 103 Actinium series

**a** = relative atomic mass (approx)  
**x** = atomic symbol  
**b** = atomic number

140 <b>Ce</b> Cerium	141 <b>Pr</b> Praseodymium	144 <b>Nd</b> Neodymium	145 <b>Pm</b> Promethium	150 <b>Sm</b> Samarium	152 <b>Eu</b> Europium	157 <b>Gd</b> Gadolinium	159 <b>Tb</b> Terbium	162 <b>Dy</b> Dysprosium	165 <b>Ho</b> Holmium	167 <b>Er</b> Erbium	169 <b>Tm</b> Thulium	173 <b>Yb</b> Ytterbium	175 <b>Lu</b> Lutetium			
232 <b>Th</b> Thorium	231 <b>Pa</b> Protactinium	238 <b>U</b> Uranium	237 <b>Np</b> Neptunium	242 <b>Pu</b> Plutonium	243 <b>Am</b> Americium	247 <b>Cm</b> Curium	245 <b>Bk</b> Berkelium	251 <b>Cf</b> Californium	254 <b>Es</b> Einsteinium	253 <b>Fm</b> Fermium	256 <b>Md</b> Mendelevium	254 <b>No</b> Nobelium	257 <b>Lr</b> Lawrencium			