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57 Minutes

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CHEMISTRY

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Mark Scheme

3.2 Inorganic chemistry

1 (a) An electron pair on the ligand

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Is donated from the ligand to the central metal ion

1

(b) Blue precipitate

1

Dissolves to give a dark blue solution

1

$[Cu(H_2O)_6]^{2+} + 2NH_3 \longrightarrow Cu(H_2O)_4(OH)_2 + 2NH_4^+$

1

$Cu(H_2O)_4(OH)_2 + 4NH_3 \longrightarrow [Cu(NH_3)_4(H_2O)_2]^{2+} + 2OH^- + 2H_2O$

1

(c) $[Cu(NH_3)_4(H_2O)_2]^{2+} + 2H_2NCH_2CH_2NH_2 \longrightarrow [Cu(H_2NCH_2CH_2NH_2)_2(H_2O)_2]^{2+} + 4NH_3$

1

(d) Cu–N bonds formed have similar enthalpy / energy to Cu–N bonds broken

1

And the same number of bonds broken and made

1

(e) 3 particles form 5 particles / disorder increases because more particles are formed / entropy change is positive

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Therefore, the free-energy change is negative

M2 can only be awarded if M1 is correct

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3 (a) $[Fe(H_2O)_6]^{2+} + 2NH_3 \rightarrow Fe(H_2O)_4(OH)_2 + 2NH_4^+$

Allow equation with OH^- provided equation showing formation of OH^- from NH_3 given

1

Green precipitate

1

$[Fe(H_2O)_6]^{2+} + CO_3^{2-} \rightarrow FeCO_3 + 6H_2O$

1

Green precipitate

effervescence incorrect so loses M4

1

(b) (i) Colourless / (pale) green changes to pink / purple (solution)

Do not allow pale pink to purple

1

Just after the end−point MnO_4^- is in excess / present

1

(ii) $MnO_4^- + 8H^+ + 5Fe^{2+} \rightarrow Mn^{2+} + 4H_2O + 5Fe^{3+}$

1

Moles $KMnO_4 = 18.7 \times 0.0205 / 1000 = (3.8335 \times 10^{-4})$

Process mark

1

Moles $Fe^{2+} = 5 \times 3.8335 \times 10^{-4} = 1.91675 \times 10^{-3}$

Mark for M2 × 5

1

Moles Fe^{2+} in 250 $cm^3 = 10 \times 1.91675 \times 10^{-3} = 0.0191675$ moles in 50 cm^3

Process mark for moles of iron in titration (M3) × 10

1

Original conc $Fe^{2+} = 0.0191675 \times 1000 / 50 = 0.383$ $\underline{\text{mol dm}^{-3}}$

Answer for moles of iron (M4) × 1000 / 50

Answer must be to at least 2 sig. figs. (0.38)

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5 (a) **Reaction 1**

General principles in marking this question

Square brackets are not essential

Penalise charges on individual ligands rather than on the whole complex

Reagent and species can be extracted from the equation

Ignore conditions such as dilute, concentrated, excess

Reagent must be a compound NOT just an ion

Equations must start from $[Cu(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$ except in part (b)

Mark reagent, species and equation independently

ammonia (NH_3) (solution) / NaOH

1

$[Cu(H_2O)_6]^{2+} + 2NH_3 \rightarrow [Cu(H_2O)_4(OH)_2] + 2NH_4^+$ /

$[Cu(H_2O)_6]^{2+} + 2OH^- \rightarrow [Cu(H_2O)_4(OH)_2] + 2H_2O$

Do not allow OH^- for reagent

Product 1, balanced equation 1

Allow either equation for ammonia

2

(b) **Reaction 2**

Ammonia (conc / xs)

1

$[Cu(H_2O)_4(OH)_2] + 4NH_3 \rightarrow [Cu(H_2O)_2(NH_3)_4]^{2+} + 2H_2O + 2OH^-$

Product 1, balanced equation 1

Note that the equation must start from the hydroxide $[Cu(H_2O)_4(OH)_2]$

2

(c) **Reaction 3**

Na_2CO_3 / any identified soluble carbonate / $NaHCO_3$

Do not allow $NaCO_3$ or any insoluble carbonate but mark on

1

$[Cu(H_2O)_6]^{2+} + CO_3^{2-} \rightarrow CuCO_3 + 6H_2O$

OR $[Cu(H_2O)_6]^{2+} + Na_2CO_3 \rightarrow CuCO_3 + 6H_2O + 2Na^+$

OR $2[Cu(H_2O)_6]^{2+} + 2CO_3^{2-} \rightarrow Cu(OH)_2.CuCO_3 + 11H_2O + CO_2$

OR with $NaHCO_3$

$[Cu(H_2O)_6]^{2+} + HCO_3^- \rightarrow CuCO_3 + 6H_2O + H^+$

Product 1, balanced equation 1

2

(d) **Reaction 4**

HCl (conc / xs) / NaCl

Allow any identified soluble chloride

1

$[Cu(H_2O)_6]^{2+} + 4Cl^- \rightarrow [CuCl_4]^{2-} + 6H_2O$

Product 1, balanced equation 1

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7 (a) $Cr(OH)_3 + 3H_2O + 3H^+ \rightarrow [Cr(H_2O)_6]^{3+}$

Can start with $Cr(H_2O)_3(OH)_3$ for each equation

Ignore any unnecessary preliminary preparation of $Cr(OH)_3$

1

Green / grey−green solid

Mark colours independently from equations

Allow green ppt.

1

Forms green / purple / ruby / violet <u>solution</u>

ignore shades of colours

1

$Cr(OH)_3 + 2H_2O + OH^- \rightarrow [Cr(H_2O)_2(OH)_4]^-$

Allow with 5 or 6 OH^- provided complex has co−ordination number of 6

Penalise complex ions with incorrect charges overall or if shown on ligand.

1

Forms green <u>solution</u>

Note that for each equation final complex must be 6 co−ordinate

1

(b) $[Cu(H_2O)_6]^{2+} + 4NH_3 \rightarrow [Cu(H_2O)_2(NH_3)_4]^{2+} + 4H_2O$

Allow two correct equations via intermediate hydroxide in both cases even if first equation uses OH^- instead of NH_3

1

Blue (solution)

Mark colours independently from equations

1

Dark / deep / royal blue <u>solution</u>

1

$[Co(H_2O)_6]^{2+} + 6NH_3 \rightarrow [Co(NH_3)_6]^{2+} + 6H_2O$

1

pink / red (solution)

1

Brown / straw / yellow <u>solution</u>

ignore darkens in air / with time

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