

Periodicity & Trends

Mark Scheme 2

Level	International A Level
Subject	Chemistry
Exam Board	Edexcel
Topic	The Core Principles of Chemistry
Sub Topic	Periodicity & Trends
Booklet	Mark Scheme 2

Time Allowed: 72 minutes

Score: /60

Percentage: /100

Grade Boundaries:

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

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Reject	Mark
1(a)(i)	<p> $\text{Mg}^+(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{Mg}^{2+}(\text{g}) + \text{e}^{(-)}$ OR $\text{Mg}^+(\text{g}) - \text{e}^{(-)} \rightarrow \text{Mg}^{2+}(\text{g})$ OR $\text{Mg}^+(\text{g}) + \text{e}^{(-)} \rightarrow \text{Mg}^{2+}(\text{g}) + 2\text{e}^{(-)}$ </p> <p>1st mark Correct species for reactants and products (1)</p> <p>2nd mark Correct state symbols This mark can only be awarded if first mark has already been awarded. (1)</p> <p>NOTE Award state symbols mark if 'X⁺(g)' OR 'MG' used instead of 'Mg'</p> <p>$\text{Mg}(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{Mg}^{2+}(\text{g}) + 2\text{e}^{(-)}$ scores (0)</p>	"MG" for first mark	2

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1(a)*(ii)	<p>Any TWO from:</p> <p>Electron (in Mg^+) is being removed from a positive ion (1)</p> <p>Electron being removed is closer to the nucleus (in Mg^+) / Mg^+ is smaller (than Mg) (1)</p> <p>Proton: electron ratio greater (in Mg^+) / remaining e^- more tightly held (in Mg^+) (1)</p> <p>Greater (force of) attraction between nucleus and (outermost) electron (in Mg^+) (1)</p> <p>Electron repulsion is less in Mg^+ (than Mg) (1)</p> <p>IGNORE References to "effective nuclear charge (ENC)" / high charge-density in Mg^+ / references to shielding</p>	<p>"Mg^+ has more protons than Mg" scores (0) overall</p> <p>Electron is being removed from a new shell/different shell / 2nd shell scores (0) overall</p>	2

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1(a)(iii)	<p>Any value in range 5000 to 9000 ($kJ\ mol^{-1}$)</p> <p>NOTE Actual value is 7730 ($kJ\ mol^{-1}$)</p>		1

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1(b)(i)	<p>(Phosphorus) $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^3$</p> <p>ALLOW p_x, p_y, p_z notation / upper case (1)</p> <p>(Sulfur) $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^4$</p> <p>ALLOW p_x, p_y, p_z notation / upper case (1)</p> <p>ALLOW Noble gas core: [Ne] for $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$</p>		2

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1(b)(ii)	<p>1st mark – idea of paired e⁻ in S</p> <p>In sulfur, spin-pairing has occurred / two electrons in the same orbital / paired e⁻ Note: Just $3p^4$ stated for S does not gain this mark.</p> <p>ALLOW an 'electrons-in-box' diagram, showing two electrons in the same orbital (1)</p> <p>2nd mark – idea of repulsion</p> <p>(resultant increase in) repulsion (1)</p> <p>ALLOW Just phosphorus has a half-filled sub-shell which is more stable (max (1))</p>		2

(Total for Question 1 = 9 marks)

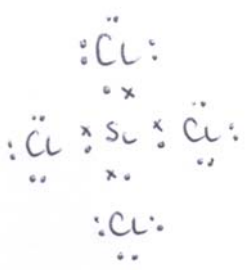
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2(a)(i)	14p,14e,15n All correct		1

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2(a)(ii)	(1s ²) 2s ² 2p ⁶ 3s ² 3p ² Fully correct ALLOW Subscripts rather than superscripts SPD in capitals 2p _x ² 2p _y ² 2p _z ² and 3p _x ¹ 3p _y ¹ for 2p and 3p IGNORE 1s ² written again before 2s ²		1

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*2(b)(i)	<p>First mark: Structure of silicon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Silicon is giant covalent / giant atomic / giant molecular / macromolecular / giant structure / giant lattice <p style="text-align: right;">(1)</p> <p>IGNORE JUST 'GIANT' OR JUST 'LATTICE'</p> <p>Second mark: Structure of phosphorus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small molecules / simple molecules / P₄ molecules / molecular covalent / simple covalent / molecular <p style="text-align: right;">(1)</p> <p>IGNORE JUST 'SIMPLE' / 'SIMPLE STRUCTURE'</p> <p>Third mark: Interactions overcome on melting</p> <p>BOTH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Breaking strong) covalent bonds in silicon <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Between phosphorus molecules: weak forces / (weak) intermolecular forces / (weak) London forces / (weak) van der Waals' forces / (weak) dispersion forces / (weak) induced-dipole forces <p style="text-align: right;">(1)</p> <p>[ALLOW "weak bonds" IF implies between phosphorus molecules]</p>	<p>Silicon "giant ionic" / silicon "giant metallic"</p> <p>Intermolecular forces broken in silicon</p> <p>Covalent bonds broken in phosphorus / weak bonds between phosphorus atoms / weak covalent bonds</p>	3

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*2(b)(ii)	<p>LLOW reverse arguments in each case</p> <p>PENALISE</p> <p>Omission of 'atoms' or 'ions' / mis-use of 'atom' or 'ion' ONCE only where relevant</p> <p>ANY TWO FROM:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Magnesium atoms / magnesium ions are smaller (than sodium atoms/ions) (1) <p>NOTE: Allow symbols (e.g. Mg or Mg²⁺)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Magnesium ions are Mg²⁺ whereas sodium ions are Na⁺ OR Mg²⁺ /magnesium ions have a higher charge (density) than Na⁺/sodium ions (1) <p>IGNORE References to (effective) nuclear charge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Magnesium has more delocalised electrons (than sodium) /magnesium has more electrons (than sodium) in its sea of electrons (1) Attraction between positive ions and (delocalised) electrons is stronger in magnesium (than in sodium) (1) <p>IGNORE References to JUST 'more energy needed' (to break bonds in magnesium)</p>	<p>Attraction "between nucleus and (delocalised) electrons"</p> <p>Mention of "intermolecular forces" or "molecules" scores (0) overall for this question</p>	2

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2(c)	<p>1st mark:</p> <p>More protons / increasing nuclear charge / increasing effective nuclear charge (1)</p> <p>IGNORE 'increasing atomic number'</p> <p>2nd mark:</p> <p>Same shielding (of outermost electrons) / same number of (occupied) shells</p> <p>OR</p> <p>(Outermost) electrons in same shell</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Greater attraction between nucleus and (outermost) electrons (1)</p>	<p>'Increasing charge densities'</p> <p>(Outermost) electrons in same sub-shell</p>	2

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2(d)	 <p>Outer shell of Si with total of 8 electrons (1)</p> <p>Each Si electron sharing with one electron from an outer shell of 7 in chlorine (1)</p> <p>Comment Do not penalise if dots and crosses are reversed MAX 1 if all dots or all crosses</p>		2

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2(e)(i)	<p>I: level of cross between Na and Mg (actual value 578)</p> <p>Si: level of cross anywhere above Al <u>and</u> Mg (actual value 789)</p> <p>Both needed for the mark</p>		1

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2(e)(ii)	<p>: (3p) electron/e⁻ (lost is) from higher energy (level) / (more) shielded (by 3s electrons) / further from nucleus / from p orbital / from 3p_x (1)</p> <p>Si: more protons / extra proton / greater nuclear charge (compared to Al) (1)</p>	If e ⁻ lost from a 2p orbital / if states that Al has higher ionization energy than Mg	2



Total for Question 2 = 14 marks

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Reject	Mark
3 (a)(i)	<p>Penalise use of chlorine once only in Q21(a)(i), (ii) and (iii) IGNORE lone pairs of electrons, even if incorrect in Q21(a)(i), (ii) and (iii)</p> <p>ALLOW one slip in the formula of the element if it is correctly given elsewhere in the answer e.g B for Br</p> <p>$\text{Br}_2 \rightarrow \text{Br}\cdot + \text{Br}\cdot /$ $\text{Br}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{Br}\cdot$</p> <p>Ignore position of dot Ignore state symbols and curly arrows even if incorrect</p>	Br	1

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3 (a)(ii)	<p>$\text{Br}_2 \rightarrow \text{Br}^+ + \text{Br}^-$</p> <p>Ignore state symbols and curly arrows even if incorrect</p>	δ^+ / δ^- for the + or -	1

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Reject	Mark
3 (a)(iii)	<p>(free radical) $\text{Br}\cdot$</p> <p>NOTE: No TE, except $\text{Cl}\cdot$</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(1)</p> <p>Penalise omission of the dot only once in (a)(i) and (a)(iii)</p> <p>(electrophile) Br^+</p> <p>NOTE: No TE, except Cl^+</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(1)</p>	Br	2

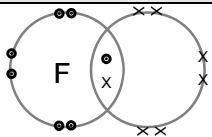
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3 (b)(i)	$ \begin{array}{cccccc} \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} \\ & & & & & \\ \text{H}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{H} \\ & & & & & \\ \text{Br} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} \end{array} $ <p style="text-align: right;">(1)</p> $ \begin{array}{cccccc} \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} \\ & & & & & \\ \text{H}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{H} \\ & & & & & \\ \text{H} & \text{Br} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} \end{array} $ <p style="text-align: right;">(1)</p> $ \begin{array}{cccccc} \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} \\ & & & & & \\ \text{H}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{H} \\ & & & & & \\ \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{Br} & \text{H} & \text{H} & \text{H} \end{array} $ <p style="text-align: right;">(1)</p> <p>Isomers can be in any order</p> <p>ALLOW skeletal or structural formulae</p>	Any branched-chain isomers	3

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3 (b)(ii)	<p>Corrosive / toxic / poisonous</p> <p>Allow correct symbols for corrosive or toxic / poisonous</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div> <p>IGNORE harmful / dangerous / irritant / acidic / volatile / any references to state of HBr</p> <p>IGNORE Any precautions taken, EXCEPT those related to flammability</p>	Flammable / 'naked flames'	1

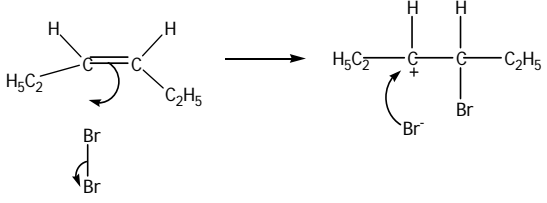
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3 (b)(iii)	<p>First mark Calculation of the C₆H₁₃Br M_r value and the total of the product Mr</p> <p>EXPECTED 164.9 AND 245.8</p> <p>ALLOW 165 AND 246 (1)</p> <p>Second mark</p> <p>EXPECTED</p> $\frac{164.9}{245.8} \text{ (x 100\%)}$ $= 67.08706265(\%)$ <p>= 67.1(%) to 3 s.f.</p> <p>ALLOW</p> $\frac{165}{246} \text{ (x 100\%)}$ $= 67.07317073 (\%)$ <p>= 67.1(%) to 3 s.f.</p> <p>ALLOW TE from any incorrect M_r value(s) provided answer is not greater than 100% (1)</p> <p>Answer MUST be rounded correctly to 3 s.f. for the second mark</p> <p>Correct answer with no working (2)</p>		2

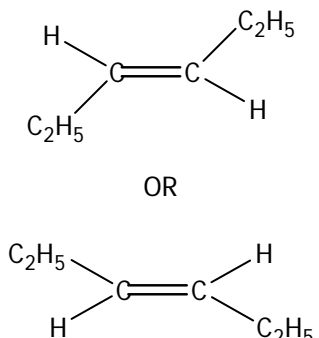
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3 (c)(i)	CH ₄ + F ₂ → CH ₃ F + HF IGNORE state symbols, even if incorrect	Cl ₂ "Fl" if used more than once	1

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3 (c)(ii)	<p>NOTE Allow reverse argument throughout</p> <p>1st Mark</p> <p>Fluorine / F (atom is) smaller (than a Cl atom) (1)</p> <p>2nd Mark</p> <p>Any ONE of:-</p> <p>(so expect) F—F bond to be shorter (than the Cl—Cl bond)</p> <p>OR</p> <p>F—F bonding electrons / bond pair / / shared pair closer to (both) nuclei</p> <p>OR</p> <p>(so) attraction between nuclei and bonding electrons / bond pair / shared pair expected to be stronger (1)</p> <p>IGNORE</p> <p>Any references to the strengths of the F-F and/or Cl-Cl bonds</p> <p>Any references to the 'repulsion between nuclei'</p> <p>Any references to 'shielding' / 'Charge density' / 'Electronegativity' / outer electrons</p>	<p>F₂ / 'fluorine molecule'</p> <p>Mention of 'Intermolecular forces' (no 2nd mark)</p>	2

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3 (c)(iii)	 <p>Shared pair of electrons shown (1)</p> <p>The remaining six electrons on each F atom (1)</p> <p>NOTE Can be dots or crosses – only total number of electrons matters</p> <p>Circles not required</p> <p>IGNORE Two inner-shell electrons</p> <p>ALLOW 'F1' or F symbol missing</p>		2
3 (c)(iv)	<p>'Repulsion between electrons' scores (1)</p> <p>BUT</p> <p>'Repulsion between lone pairs (of electrons)' scores (2)</p> <p>ALLOW 'Non-bonding electrons' for lone pairs</p>	Just repulsion between bonding / shared electrons	2

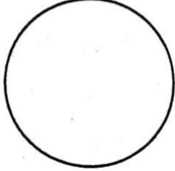
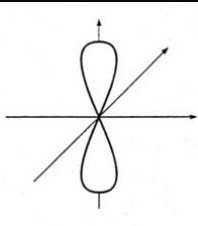
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3 (c)(v)	UV (light) / (sun) light / heat / energy required to break Cl—Cl bond OR UV (light) / (sun) light / heat / energy required to form Cl• OR F—F requires less energy to break OR F—F requires less energy to form F• IGNORE Just F ₂ more reactive (than Cl ₂) Just F—F bond is weaker (than Cl—Cl) Just F—F bond energy is lower (than Cl—Cl)		1

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3 (d)	<p>Mark independently</p>  <p>First mark:</p> <p>For both arrows in initial step</p> <p>Allow upper arrow as in diagram or directly to Br atom (1)</p> <p>Second mark:</p> <p>Carbocation intermediate (1)</p> <p>Third mark:</p> <p>Arrow from anywhere on the bromide ion to the C or to the + sign on the intermediate (1)</p> <p>Lone pair(s) on Br⁻ not required</p>	<p>Half-arrow(s)</p> <p>Incorrect polarities</p> <p>Full-charges on Br₂</p> <p>Half-arrow(s)</p> <p>δ⁻ instead of the full - sign on the Br⁻</p>	3

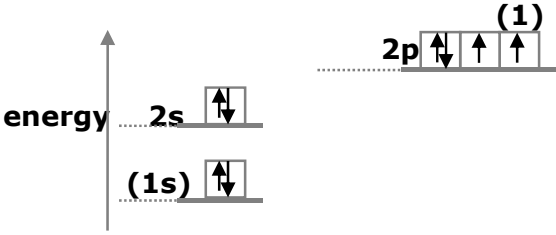
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3(e)(i)	 <p>Diagram clearly shows that H atoms are diagonal to each other in the <i>E</i>-isomer/correct relative positions of hydrogen atoms and ethyl groups</p> <p>ALLOW Skeletal or displayed formula</p>		1

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3(e)(ii)	<p>EITHER</p> <p>Rotation around C—C bond (in product molecule)</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Double bond is broken so rotation (is now possible)</p> <p>ALLOW Same carbocation / intermediate formed (so product is the same)</p> <p>IGNORE Comments about optical isomerism</p>		1

(Total for Question 3 = 23 marks)

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Reject	Mark
4(a)	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>s-orbital</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>p-orbital</p> </div> </div> <p>(s-orbital)</p> <p>Circle drawn</p> <p>ALLOW Concentric circles drawn (1)</p> <p>(p-orbital)</p> <p>Figure of '8' / 'dumb-bell' drawn</p> <p>NOTE: p-orbital can be drawn along any axis (axis does not have to be shown) (1)</p> <p>ALLOW If one, two or three p-orbitals of correct shapes are shown</p> <p>If overlapping orbitals are shown of correct shape in both cases, award (1) mark</p>		2

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4(b)	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">(region)</th> <th style="text-align: left;">(no. of electrons)</th> <th></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>(a d-orbital)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">(1)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>(a p sub-shell)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">6</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">(1)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>(the third shell)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">18</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">(1)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	(region)	(no. of electrons)		(a d-orbital)	2				(1)	(a p sub-shell)	6				(1)	(the third shell)	18				(1)		3
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<p>4(c)</p>	<p>First mark: BOTH 2s and 2p labelled</p> <p>ALLOW 2s² and 2p⁴</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(1)</p> <p>Second mark: ALL eight e⁻ shown correctly</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-right: 100px;">(1)</div>  <p>ALLOW Half-arrows or full arrows for each electron</p> <p>Paired arrows in any one of the 2p orbitals</p> <p>NOTE Single arrows must be orientated in same direction</p> <p>Paired arrows must have opposite spins</p>	<p>2p⁶</p>	<p>2</p>

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4(d)(i)	<p>First mark:</p> <p>Makes mention of energy/enthalpy/(heat) energy/heat (change/required)</p> <p>AND</p> <p>to remove an electron</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(1)</p> <p>Second mark:</p> <p>one mole/1 mol</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(1)</p> <p>Third mark:</p> <p>Makes mention of gaseous atom(s)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(1)</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE ANSWER</p> <p>Energy change per mole / kJ mol^{-1} for</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(1)</p> <p>$X(\mathbf{g}) \rightarrow X^+(\mathbf{g}) + e^{(-)}$</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(2)</p> <p>One mark for species One mark for correct state symbols</p> <p>Mark independently</p> <p>IGNORE any references to standard conditions</p>	<p>"Energy given out..." for first mark</p> <p>Just 'gaseous element'/ 'gaseous substance'</p>	3

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4(d)(ii)	$\text{O}^{2+}(\text{g}) - \text{e}^{-} \rightarrow \text{O}^{3+}(\text{g})$ <p>OR</p> $\text{O}^{2+}(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{O}^{3+}(\text{g}) + \text{e}^{-}$ <p>All species and balancing correct (1)</p> <p>State symbols correct (1)</p> <p>2nd mark is dependent on 1st mark</p> <p>ALLOW</p> <p>'e' for 'e⁻'</p> <p>IGNORE</p> <p>(g) the e⁻</p>	Reverse equation scores (0) overall	2

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4(d)(iii)	<p>First mark:</p> <p>Big 'jump' / large increase (1)</p> <p>Second mark:</p> <p>between 6th and 7th (IE)</p> <p>OR</p> <p>after the 6th</p> <p>OR</p> <p>to the 7th</p> <p>OR</p> <p>from 13327 to 71337</p> <p>OR</p> <p>of 58010</p> <p>IGNORE</p> <p>Additional jump identified between 4th and 5th (IE) if justified in terms of a change of sub-shell</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Additional jump identified between 4th and 5th (IE) if justified in terms of NOT being a change of shell (1)</p>	Any other ionization jumps mentioned	2

(Total for Question 4 = 14 marks)