



Dr Clays A-level Chemistry

Thermodynamics Past Paper QUESTIONS



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- (ii) Use the cycle in part (i) and the data in the table to calculate a value, in kJ mol^{-1} , for the bond enthalpy of the fluorine–fluorine bond.

Enthalpy change	Value / kJ mol^{-1}
Enthalpy of atomisation for silver	+298
First ionisation energy for silver	+732
Electron affinity for fluorine	-348
Experimental enthalpy of lattice dissociation for silver fluoride	+955
Enthalpy of formation for silver fluoride	-203

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- (d) A theoretical value for enthalpy of lattice dissociation can be calculated using a perfect ionic model.

The theoretical enthalpy of lattice dissociation for silver fluoride is $+870 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$.

- (i) Explain why the theoretical enthalpy of lattice dissociation for silver fluoride is different from the experimental value that can be calculated using a Born–Haber cycle.

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- (ii) The theoretical enthalpy of lattice dissociation for silver chloride is $+770 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$.

Explain why this value is less than the value for silver fluoride.

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- Q2.(a)** Define the term **electron affinity** for chlorine.

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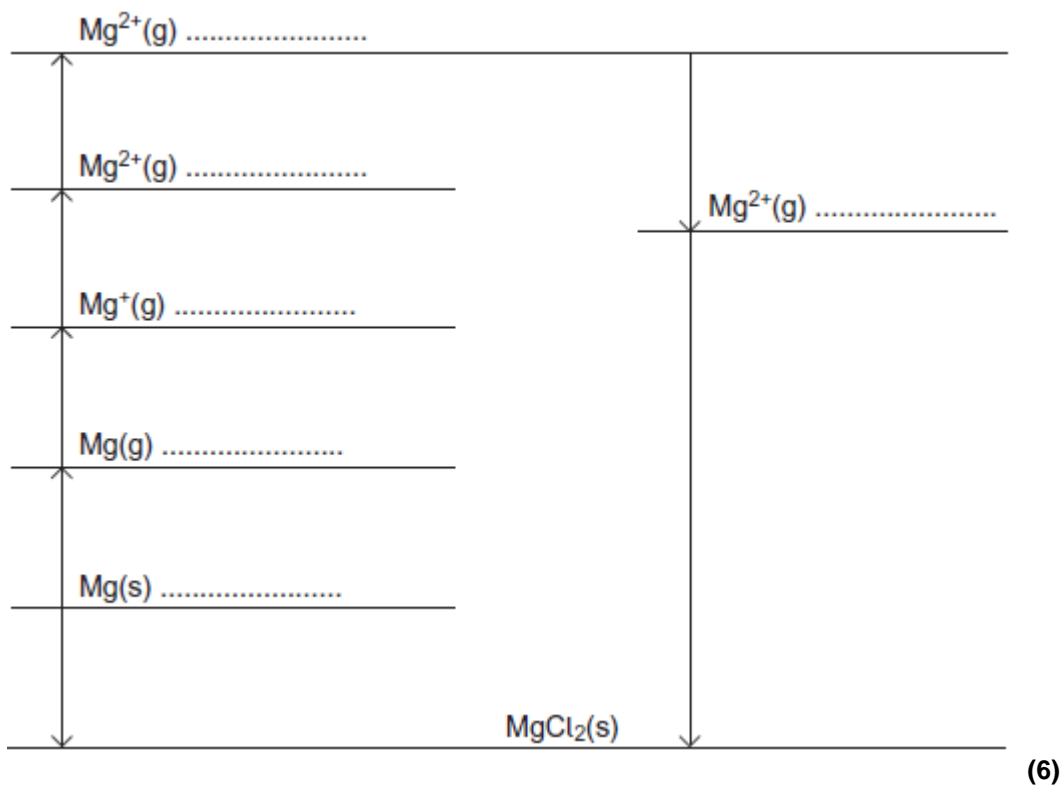
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- (b) Complete this Born–Haber cycle for magnesium chloride by giving the missing species on the dotted lines. Include state symbols where appropriate.

The energy levels are **not** drawn to scale.



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(c) **Table 1** contains some enthalpy data.

Table 1

	Enthalpy change / kJ mol^{-1}
Enthalpy of atomisation of magnesium	+150
Enthalpy of atomisation of chlorine	+121
First ionisation energy of magnesium	+736
Second ionisation energy of magnesium	+1450
Enthalpy of formation of magnesium chloride	-642
Lattice enthalpy of formation of magnesium chloride	-2493

Use your Born-Haber cycle from part (b) and data from **Table 1** to calculate a value for the electron affinity of chlorine.

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(d) **Table 2** contains some more enthalpy data.

Table 2

	Enthalpy change / kJ mol ⁻¹
Enthalpy of hydration of Mg ²⁺ ions	-1920
Enthalpy of hydration of Na ⁺ ions	-406
Enthalpy of hydration of Cl ⁻ ions	-364

(i) Explain why there is a difference between the hydration enthalpies of the magnesium and sodium ions.

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(ii) Use data from **Table 1** and **Table 2** to calculate a value for the enthalpy change when one mole of magnesium chloride dissolves in water.

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Q3.(a) Define the term *lattice enthalpy of dissociation*.

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(b) Lattice enthalpy can be calculated theoretically using a **perfect ionic model**.

Explain the meaning of the term *perfect ionic model*.

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(c) Suggest **two** properties of ions that influence the value of a lattice enthalpy calculated using a perfect ionic model.

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- (d) Use the data in the table to calculate a value for the lattice enthalpy of dissociation for silver chloride.

Enthalpy change	Value / kJ mol^{-1}
Enthalpy of atomisation for silver	+289
First ionisation energy for silver	+732
Enthalpy of atomisation for chlorine	+121
Electron affinity for chlorine	-364
Enthalpy of formation for silver chloride	-127

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- (e) Predict whether the magnitude of the lattice enthalpy of dissociation that you have calculated in part (d) will be less than, equal to or greater than the value that is obtained from a perfect ionic model. Explain your answer.

Prediction compared with ionic model

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Q4. This table contains some values of lattice dissociation enthalpies.

Compound	MgCl ₂	CaCl ₂	MgO
Lattice dissociation enthalpy / kJ mol ⁻¹	2493	2237	3889

- (a) Write an equation, including state symbols, for the reaction that has an enthalpy change equal to the lattice dissociation enthalpy of magnesium chloride.

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- (b) Explain why the lattice dissociation enthalpy of magnesium chloride is greater than that of calcium chloride.

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- (c) Explain why the lattice dissociation enthalpy of magnesium oxide is greater than that of magnesium chloride.

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- (d) When magnesium chloride dissolves in water, the enthalpy of solution is -155 kJ mol^{-1} .
The enthalpy of hydration of chloride ions is -364 kJ mol^{-1} .

Calculate the enthalpy of hydration of magnesium ions.

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- (e) Energy is released when a magnesium ion is hydrated because magnesium ions attract water molecules.

Explain why magnesium ions attract water molecules.
You may use a labelled diagram to illustrate your answer.

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- (f) Suggest why a value for the enthalpy of solution of magnesium oxide is **not** found in any data books.

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Q5. Some thermodynamic data for fluorine and chlorine are shown in the table.
In the table, X represents the halogen F or Cl.

	Fluorine	Chlorine
Electronegativity	4.0	3.0
Electron affinity / kJ mol^{-1}	-348	-364
Enthalpy of atomisation / kJ mol^{-1}	+79	+121
Enthalpy of hydration of $\text{X}^{-}(\text{g})$ / kJ mol^{-1}	-506	-364

(a) Explain the meaning of the term *electron affinity*.

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(b) Explain why the electronegativity of fluorine is greater than the electronegativity of chlorine.

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(c) Explain why the hydration enthalpy of the fluoride ion is more negative than the hydration enthalpy of the chloride ion.

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(d) The enthalpy of solution for silver fluoride in water is -20 kJ mol^{-1} .

The hydration enthalpy for silver ions is -464 kJ mol^{-1} .

(i) Use these data and data from the table to calculate a value for the lattice enthalpy of dissociation of silver fluoride.

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(ii) Suggest why the entropy change for dissolving silver fluoride in water has a positive value.

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(iii) Explain why the dissolving of silver fluoride in water is always a spontaneous process.

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Q6. This question is about magnesium oxide. Use data from the table below, where appropriate, to answer the following questions.

	$\Delta H^\ominus / \text{kJ mol}^{-1}$
First electron affinity of oxygen (formation of $\text{O}^-(\text{g})$ from $\text{O}(\text{g})$)	-142
Second electron affinity of oxygen (formation of $\text{O}^{2-}(\text{g})$ from $\text{O}^-(\text{g})$)	+844
Atomisation enthalpy of oxygen	+248

(a) Define the term *enthalpy of lattice dissociation*.

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(b) In terms of the forces acting on particles, suggest **one** reason why the first electron affinity of oxygen is an exothermic process.

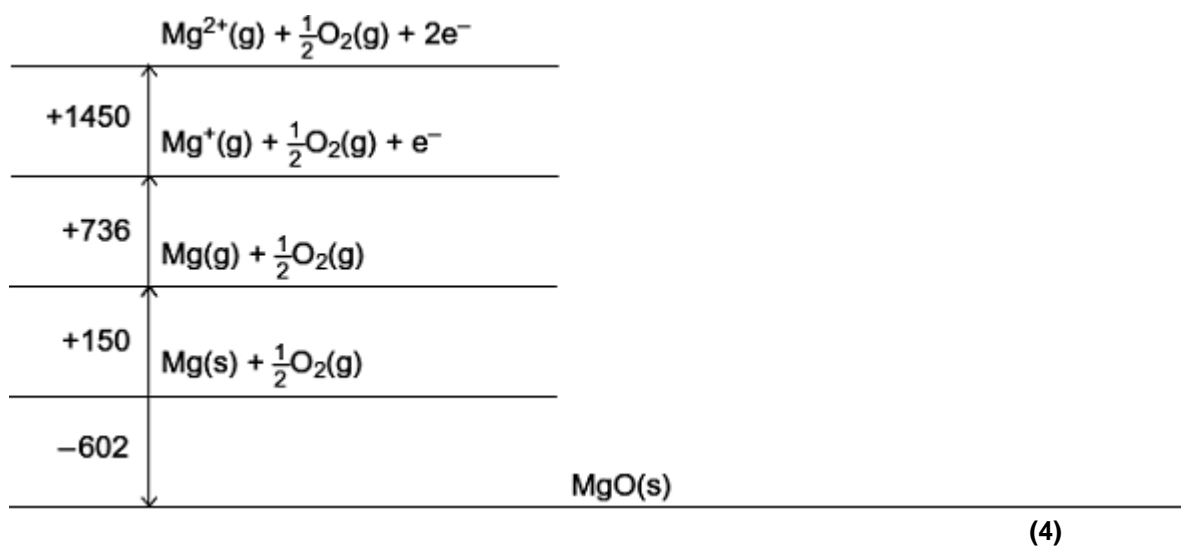
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(c) Complete the Born–Haber cycle for magnesium oxide by drawing the missing energy levels, symbols and arrows.
The standard enthalpy change values are given in kJ mol^{-1} .



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(d) Use your Born–Haber cycle from part (c) to calculate a value for the enthalpy of lattice dissociation for magnesium oxide.

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(e) The standard free-energy change for the formation of magnesium oxide from magnesium and oxygen, $\Delta G^\ominus = -570 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$. Suggest **one** reason why a sample of magnesium appears to be stable in air at room temperature, despite this negative value for ΔG^\ominus .

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- (f) Use the value of ΔG^\ominus given in part (e) and the value of ΔH^\ominus from part (c) to calculate a value for the entropy change ΔS^\ominus when one mole of magnesium oxide is formed from magnesium and oxygen at 298 K. Give the units of ΔS^\ominus .

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- (g) In terms of the reactants and products and their physical states, account for the sign of the entropy change that you calculated in part (f).

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Q7. The table below gives some values of standard enthalpy changes. Use these values to answer the questions.

Name of enthalpy change	$\Delta H^\ominus / \text{kJ mol}^{-1}$
Enthalpy of atomisation of chlorine	+121
Electron affinity of chlorine	-364
Enthalpy of atomisation of silver	+289
First ionisation enthalpy of silver	+732
Enthalpy of formation of silver chloride	-127



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- (a) Calculate the bond enthalpy of a Cl–Cl bond.

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- (b) Explain why the bond enthalpy of a Cl–Cl bond is greater than that of a Br–Br bond.

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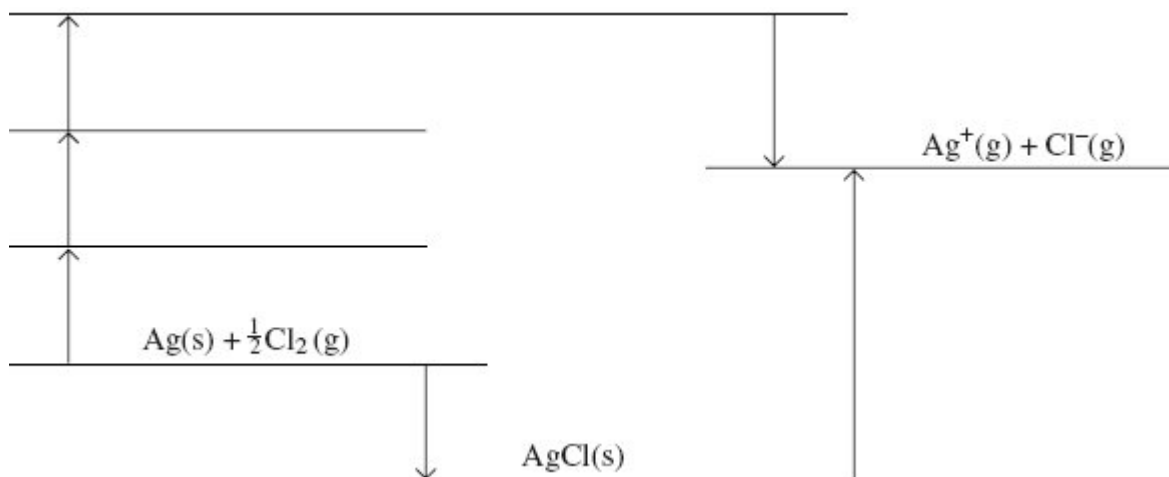
- (c) Suggest why the electron affinity of chlorine is an exothermic change.

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- (d) The diagram below is an incomplete Born–Haber cycle for the formation of silver chloride. The diagram is not to scale.



- (i) Complete the diagram by writing the appropriate chemical symbols, with state symbols, on each of the three blank lines.

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- (ii) Calculate a value for the enthalpy of lattice dissociation for silver chloride.

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- (e) The enthalpy of lattice dissociation for silver chloride can also be calculated theoretically assuming a perfect ionic model.

- (i) Explain the meaning of the term *perfect ionic model*.

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- (ii) State whether you would expect the value of the theoretical enthalpy of lattice dissociation for silver chloride to be greater than, equal to or less than that for silver bromide. Explain your answer.

Theoretical lattice enthalpy for silver chloride

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- (iii) Suggest why your answer to part (d) (ii) is greater than the theoretical value for the enthalpy of lattice dissociation for silver chloride.

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- Q8.** (a) (i) Draw a fully-labelled Born–Haber cycle for the formation of solid barium chloride, BaCl_2 , from its elements. Include state symbols for all species involved.

- (ii) Use your Born–Haber cycle and the standard enthalpy data given below to calculate a value for the electron affinity of chlorine.

Enthalpy of atomisation of barium	+180 kJ mol ⁻¹
Enthalpy of atomisation of chlorine	+122 kJ mol ⁻¹
Enthalpy of formation of barium chloride	-859 kJ mol ⁻¹
First ionisation enthalpy of barium	+503 kJ mol ⁻¹
Second ionisation enthalpy of barium	+965 kJ mol ⁻¹
Lattice formation enthalpy of barium chloride	-2056 kJ mol ⁻¹

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- (b) Use data from part (a)(ii) and the entropy data given below to calculate the lowest temperature at which the following reaction becomes feasible.



	BaCl ₂ (s)	Ba(s)	Cl ₂ (g)
S [⊖] / J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹	124	63	223

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- Q9.** Comparison of lattice enthalpies from Born-Haber cycles with lattice enthalpies from calculations based on a perfect ionic model are used to provide information about bonding in crystals.

- (a) Define the terms *enthalpy of atomisation* and *lattice dissociation enthalpy*.

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- (b) Use the following data to calculate a value for the lattice dissociation enthalpy of sodium chloride.

	$\Delta H^{\ominus} / \text{kJ mol}^{-1}$
Na(s) \rightarrow Na(g)	+109
Na(g) \rightarrow Na ⁺ (g) + e ⁻	+494
Cl ₂ (g) \rightarrow 2Cl(g)	+242
Cl(g) + e ⁻ \rightarrow Cl ⁻ (g)	-364
Na(s) + $\frac{1}{2}$ Cl ₂ (g) \rightarrow NaCl(s)	-411

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(c) Consider the following lattice dissociation enthalpy (ΔH_L^\ominus) data.

	NaBr	AgBr
$\Delta H_L^\ominus(\text{experimental})/\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$	+733	+890
$\Delta H_L^\ominus(\text{theoretical})/\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$	+732	+758

The values of ΔH_L^\ominus (experimental) have been determined from Born–Haber cycles.

The values of ΔH_L^\ominus (theoretical) have been determined by calculation using a perfect ionic model.

(i) Explain the meaning of the term *perfect ionic model*.

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(ii) State what you can deduce about the bonding in NaBr from the data in the table.

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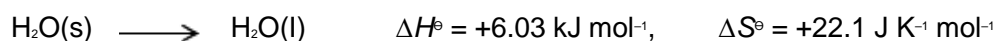
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(iii) State what you can deduce about the bonding in AgBr from the data in the table.

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Q10. Consider the following process that represents the melting of ice.



(a) State the meaning of the symbol \ominus in ΔH^\ominus .

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(b) Use your knowledge of bonding to explain why ΔH^\ominus is positive for this process.

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(c) Calculate the temperature at which $\Delta G^\ominus = 0$ for this process. Show your working.

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- (d) The freezing of water is an exothermic process. Give **one** reason why the temperature of a sample of water can stay at a constant value of 0 °C when it freezes.

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- (e) Pure ice can look pale blue when illuminated by white light. Suggest an explanation for this observation.

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Q11. The enthalpy of hydration for the chloride ion is -364 kJ mol^{-1} and that for the bromide ion is -335 kJ mol^{-1} .

- (a) By describing the nature of the attractive forces involved, explain why the value for the enthalpy of hydration for the chloride ion is more negative than that for the bromide ion.

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- (b) The enthalpy of hydration for the potassium ion is -322 kJ mol^{-1} . The lattice enthalpy of dissociation for potassium bromide is $+670 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$.

Calculate the enthalpy of solution for potassium bromide.

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- (c) The enthalpy of solution for potassium chloride is $+17.2 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$.

- (i) Explain why the free-energy change for the dissolving of potassium chloride in water is negative, even though the enthalpy change is positive.

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- (ii) A solution is formed when 5.00 g of potassium chloride are dissolved in 20.0 g of water. The initial temperature of the water is 298 K.

Calculate the final temperature of the solution.

In your calculation, assume that only the 20.0 g of water changes in temperature and that the specific heat capacity of water is $4.18 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ g}^{-1}$.



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Q12. Thermodynamics can be used to investigate the changes that occur when substances such as calcium fluoride dissolve in water.

(a) Give the meaning of each of the following terms.

(i) enthalpy of lattice formation for calcium fluoride

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(ii) enthalpy of hydration for fluoride ions

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- (b) Explain the interactions between water molecules and fluoride ions when the fluoride ions become hydrated.

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- (c) Consider the following data.

	$\Delta H^\ominus / \text{kJ mol}^{-1}$
Enthalpy of lattice formation for CaF_2	-2611
Enthalpy of hydration for Ca^{2+} ions	-1650
Enthalpy of hydration for F^- ions	-506

Use these data to calculate a value for the enthalpy of solution for CaF_2

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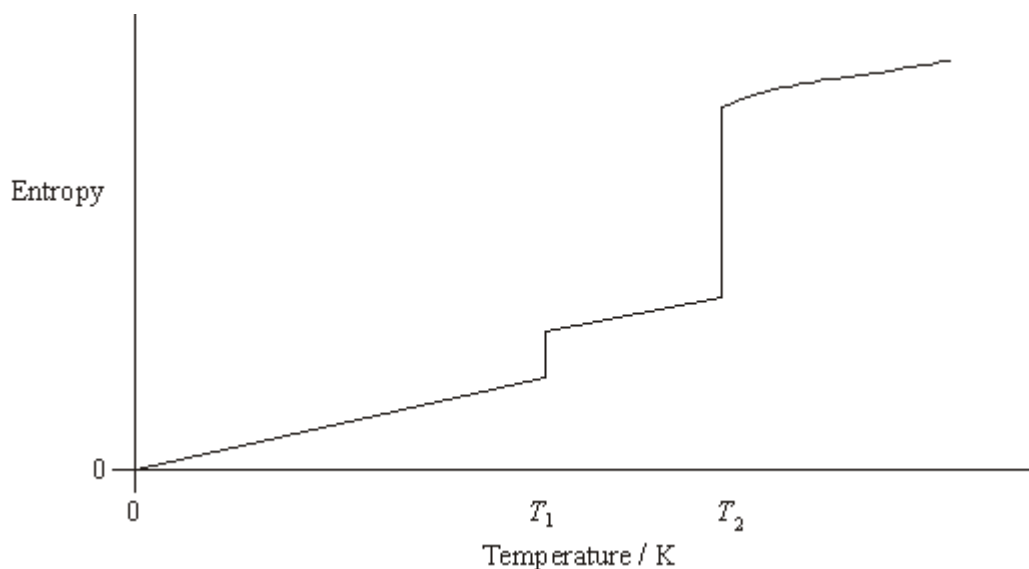
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FREE ENERGY & ENTROPY CHANGE QUESTIONS

Q13. The sketch graph below shows how the entropy of a sample of water varies with temperature.



(a) Suggest why the entropy of water is zero at 0 K.

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(b) What change of state occurs at temperature T_1 ?

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(c) Explain why the entropy change, ΔS , at temperature T_2 is much larger than that at temperature T_1 .

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(d) It requires 3.49 kJ of heat energy to convert 1.53 g of liquid water into steam at 373 K and 100 kPa.

(i) Use these data to calculate the enthalpy change, ΔH , when 1.00 mol of liquid water forms 1.00 mol of steam at 373 K and 100 kPa.



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- (ii) Write an expression showing the relationship between free-energy change, ΔG , enthalpy change, ΔH , and entropy change, ΔS .

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- (iii) For the conversion of liquid water into steam at 373 K and 100 kPa, $\Delta G = 0 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

Calculate the value of ΔS for the conversion of one mole of water into steam under these conditions. State the units.

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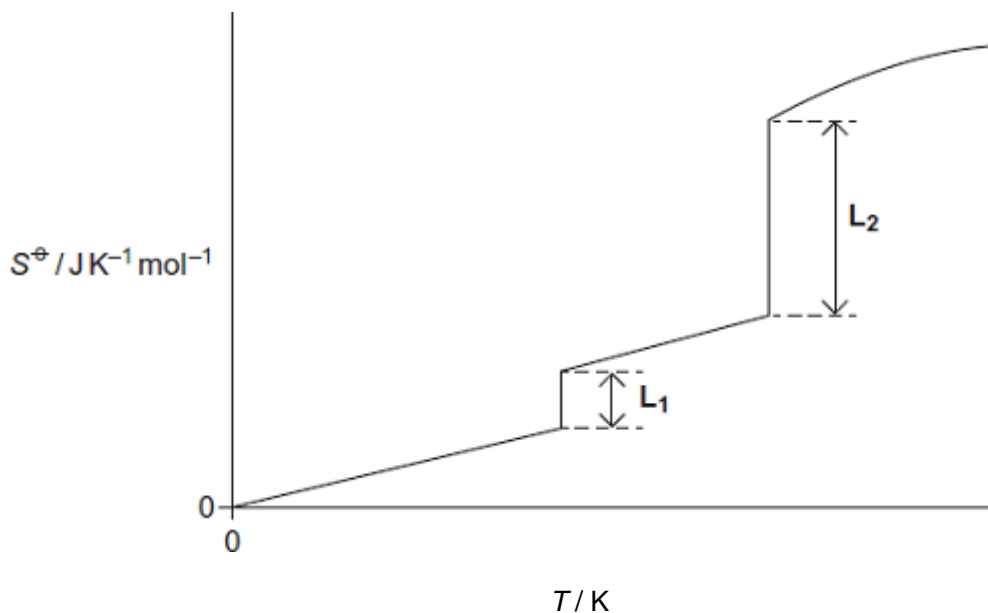
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Q14.(a) **Figure 1** shows how the entropy of a molecular substance **X** varies with temperature.

Figure 1



(i) Explain, in terms of molecules, why the entropy is zero when the temperature is zero Kelvin.

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(ii) Explain, in terms of molecules, why the first part of the graph in **Figure 1** is a line that slopes up from the origin.

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(iii) On **Figure 1**, mark on the appropriate axis the boiling point (T_b) of substance **X**. (1)

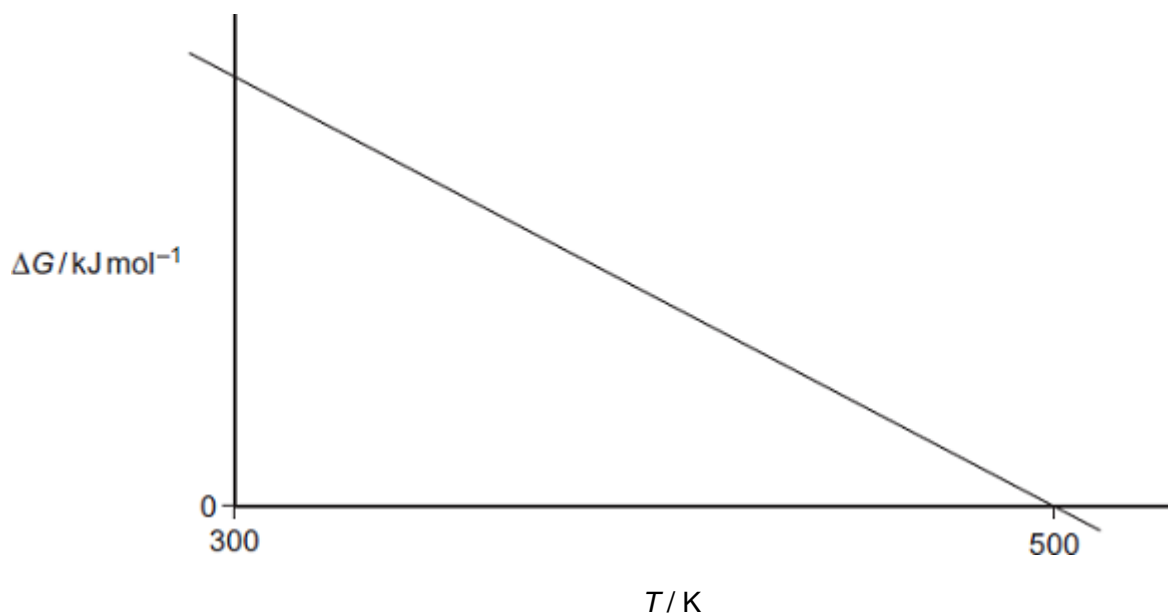
(iv) In terms of the behaviour of molecules, explain why L_2 is longer than L_1 in **Figure 1**.

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(b) **Figure 2** shows how the free-energy change for a particular gas-phase reaction varies with temperature.

Figure 2



(i) Explain, with the aid of a thermodynamic equation, why this line obeys



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the mathematical equation for a straight line, $y = mx + c$.

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(ii) Explain why the magnitude of ΔG decreases as T increases in this reaction.

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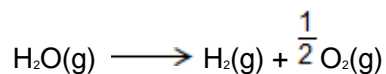
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(iii) State what you can deduce about the feasibility of this reaction at temperatures lower than 500 K.

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(c) The following reaction becomes feasible at temperatures above 5440 K.



The entropies of the species involved are shown in the following table.

	$\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g})$	$\text{H}_2(\text{g})$	$\text{O}_2(\text{g})$
$\text{S} / \text{J K}^{-1} \text{mol}^{-1}$	189	131	205

(i) Calculate the entropy change ΔS for this reaction.

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- (ii) Calculate a value, with units, for the enthalpy change for this reaction at 5440 K.

(If you have been unable to answer part (c)(i), you may assume that the value of the entropy change is $+98 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$. This is **not** the correct value.)

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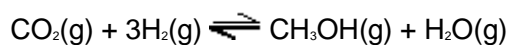
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Q15. Methanol can be regarded as a carbon-neutral fuel because it can be synthesised from carbon dioxide as shown in the equation below.



Standard enthalpy of formation and standard entropy data for the starting materials and products are shown in the following table.

	CO ₂ (g)	H ₂ (g)	CH ₃ OH(g)	H ₂ O(g)
$\Delta H_f^\ominus / \text{kJ mol}^{-1}$	-394	0	-201	-242
$S^\ominus / \text{J K}^{-1} \text{mol}^{-1}$	214	131	238	189

(a) Calculate the standard enthalpy change for this reaction.

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(b) Calculate the standard entropy change for this reaction.

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- (c) Use your answers to parts (a) and (b) to explain why this reaction is **not** feasible at high temperatures.

Calculate the temperature at which the reaction becomes feasible.

Suggest why the industrial process is carried out at a higher temperature than you have calculated.

(If you have been unable to calculate values for ΔH and ΔS you may assume that they are -61 kJ mol^{-1} and $-205 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ respectively. These are **not** the correct values.)

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- (d) Write an equation for the complete combustion of methanol. Use your equation to explain why the combustion reaction in the gas phase is feasible at all temperatures.

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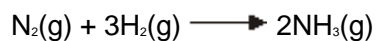
- (e) Give **one** reason why methanol, synthesised from carbon dioxide and hydrogen, may **not** be a carbon-neutral fuel.

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Q16. Ammonia can be manufactured by the Haber Process.

The equation for the reaction that occurs is shown below.



- (a) The table below contains some bond enthalpy data.

	$\text{N} \equiv \text{N}$	$\text{H}-\text{H}$	$\text{N}-\text{H}$
Mean bond enthalpy / kJ mol^{-1}	944	436	388

- (i) Use data from the table to calculate a value for the enthalpy of formation for one mole of ammonia.

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- (ii) A more accurate value for the enthalpy of formation of ammonia is -46 kJ mol^{-1} . Suggest why your answer to part (a) (i) is different from this value.

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- (b) The table below contains some entropy data.

	$\text{H}_2(\text{g})$	$\text{N}_2(\text{g})$	$\text{NH}_3(\text{g})$
$S^\ominus / \text{J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$	131	192	193

Use these data to calculate a value for the entropy change, with units, for the formation of one mole of ammonia from its elements.

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- (c) The synthesis of ammonia is usually carried out at about 800 K.

- (i) Use the ΔH value of -46 kJ mol^{-1} and your answer from part (b) to calculate a value for ΔG , with units, for the synthesis at this temperature. (If you have been unable to obtain an answer to part (b), you may assume that the entropy change is $-112 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$. This is not the correct answer.)

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- (ii) Use the value of ΔG that you have obtained to comment on the feasibility of the reaction at 800 K.

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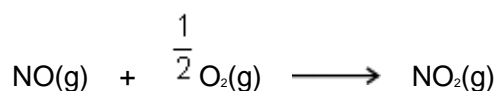
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Q17. The oxides nitrogen monoxide (NO) and nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) both contribute to atmospheric pollution.

The table gives some data for these oxides and for oxygen.

	$S^\ominus / \text{JK}^{-1} \text{mol}^{-1}$	$\Delta H_f^\ominus / \text{kJ mol}^{-1}$
O ₂ (g)	211	0
NO(g)	205	+90
NO ₂ (g)	240	+34

Nitrogen monoxide is formed in internal combustion engines. When nitrogen monoxide comes into contact with air, it reacts with oxygen to form nitrogen dioxide.



- (a) Calculate the enthalpy change for this reaction.

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(b) Calculate the entropy change for this reaction.

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(c) Calculate the temperature below which this reaction is spontaneous.

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(d) Suggest **one** reason why nitrogen dioxide is **not** formed by this reaction in an internal combustion engine.

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(e) Write an equation to show how nitrogen monoxide is formed in an internal combustion engine.

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- (f) Use your equation from part (e) to explain why the free-energy change for the reaction to form nitrogen monoxide stays approximately constant at different temperatures.

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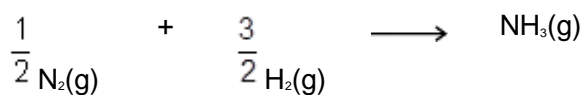
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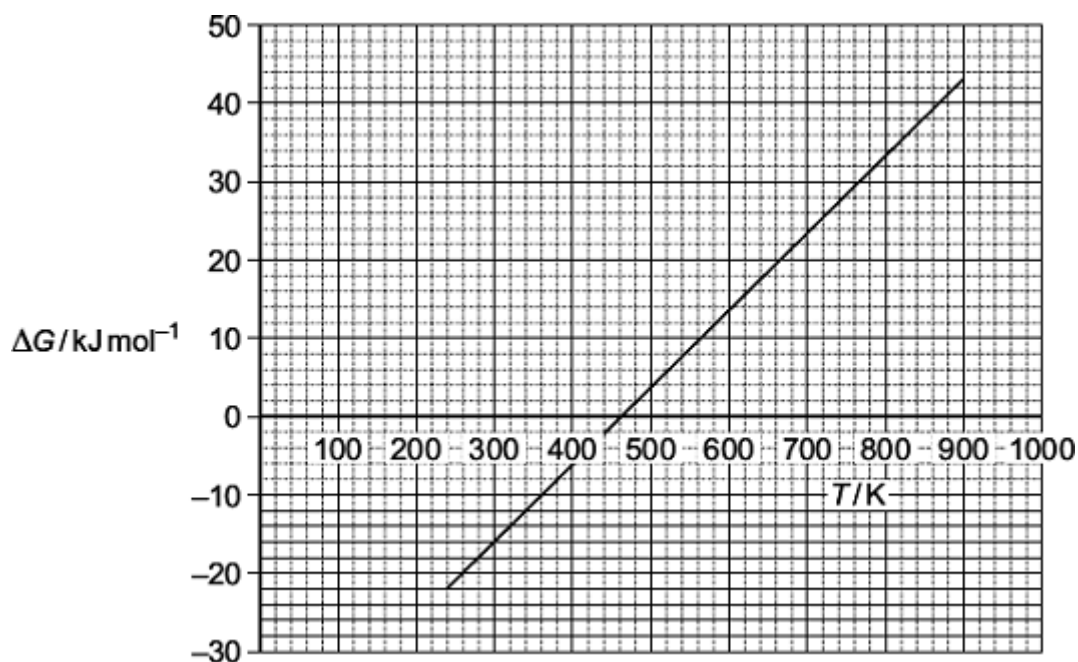
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Q18. The following equation shows the formation of ammonia.



The graph shows how the free-energy change for this reaction varies with temperature above 240 K.



- (a) Write an equation to show the relationship between ΔG , ΔH and ΔS .

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- (b) Use the graph to calculate a value for the slope (gradient) of the line. Give the units of this slope and the symbol for the thermodynamic quantity that this slope represents.

Value of the slope

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Symbol

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- (c) Explain the significance, for this reaction, of temperatures below the temperature value where the line crosses the temperature axis.

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- (d) The line is not drawn below a temperature of 240 K because its slope (gradient) changes at this point.

Suggest what happens to the ammonia at 240 K that causes the slope of the line to change.

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Q19.Hydrogen can be manufactured from the reaction of steam with methane.



(a) The table contains some enthalpy of formation and entropy data.

Substance	$\Delta H_f^\ominus / \text{kJ mol}^{-1}$	$S^\ominus / \text{J K}^{-1} \text{mol}^{-1}$
$\text{CH}_4(\text{g})$	-75	186
$\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g})$	-242	189
$\text{CO}(\text{g})$	-111	198
$\text{H}_2(\text{g})$	0	131
$\text{CO}_2(\text{g})$	-394	214

(i) Use data from the table to calculate the enthalpy change, ΔH , for the reaction of steam with methane.

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(ii) Use data from the table to calculate the entropy change, ΔS , for the reaction of steam with methane.

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- (b) Use your values of ΔH and ΔS from parts (a)(i) and (a)(ii) to calculate the temperature above which this reaction is feasible.

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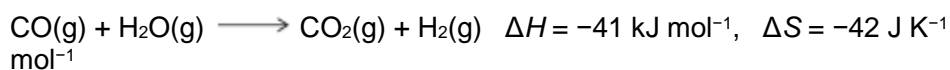
- (c) The temperature used for this manufacture of hydrogen is usually about 1300 K.

Suggest **one** reason, other than changing the position of equilibrium, why this temperature is used rather than the value that you calculated in part (b).

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- (d) Hydrogen can also be obtained by reaction of carbon monoxide with steam.



- (i) Explain, using a calculation, why this reaction should **not** occur at 1300 K.

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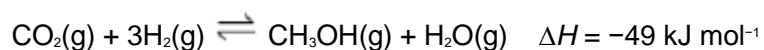
- (ii) Explain how the conditions for the reaction could be changed to allow this reaction to take place.

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Q20. The table below contains some entropy data relevant to the reaction used to synthesise methanol from carbon dioxide and hydrogen. The reaction is carried out at a temperature of 250 °C.

Substance	CO ₂ (g)	H ₂ (g)	CH ₃ OH(g)	H ₂ O(g)
Entropy (S°) / J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹	214	131	238	189



- (a) Use this enthalpy change and data from the table to calculate a value for the free-energy change of the reaction at 250 °C.
Give units with your answer.



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Free-energy change = Units =

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- (b) Calculate a value for the temperature when the reaction becomes feasible.

Temperature = K

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- (c) Gaseous methanol from this reaction is liquefied by cooling before storage.

Draw a diagram showing the interaction between two molecules of methanol.
Explain why methanol is easy to liquefy.

Diagram

Explanation

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(Total 10 marks)