

Grade: 9

chemistry

### First Exercise (7.25 pts)

#### Magnesium Chloride

Magnesium chloride,  $\text{MgCl}_2$ , is a salt that has various uses. It is safe for the environment; this is why it is used in agriculture.

Magnesium chloride is a powerful hydrotherapy that has a strong excretory effect. It is used in case of cellular toxification to kick toxins out from the tissues.

Given the following extract of the periodic table.

${}_1\text{H}$																			
													${}_7\text{N}$	${}_8\text{O}$	${}_9\text{F}$				
	$\text{Mg}$														${}_{16}\text{S}$	$\text{Cl}$			
	$\text{Ca}$																		

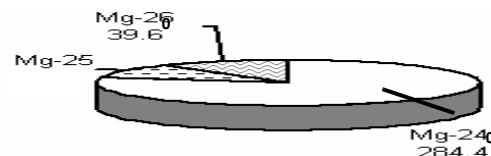
- Based on the periodic table above, answer the following questions:
  - Determine the atomic number of the element magnesium.
  - Determine the number of valence electrons of the chlorine atom.
  - Write the Lewis electron dot symbol of the elements nitrogen and hydrogen.
- Write the Lewis electron dot-structure of ammonia  $\text{NH}_3$  and indicate the type of bond in this compound.
- Explain the formation of magnesium chloride.
- Magnesium chloride is obtained from the reaction of magnesium with chlorine gas according to the equation:
$$\text{Mg} + \text{Cl}_2 \rightarrow \text{MgCl}_2$$
  - Using the oxidation numbers, justify that the above reaction is a redox reaction.
  - Write the oxidation half equation.
  - Specify the oxidizing agent.
- Justify why magnesium chloride is used in cellular toxification.

## Second Exercise (4.75 pts)

### Isotopes

Most of the chemical elements are found in nature in many isotopic forms. For example magnesium has 3 isotopes: Mg-24, Mg-25 and Mg-26, while chlorine has 2 isotopes: Cl-35 and Cl-37.

The adjacent diagram shows the percentages of mass of magnesium isotopes.



- 1- Calculate the percentage of mass of Mg-25.

The table below shows the number of protons and neutrons of 2 isotopes X and Y.

Atom	Number of Protons	Number of Neutrons
X	8	8
Y	8	10

- 2- Specify the atomic number and the mass number of X and Y.
- 3- Write the atomic symbol of the 2 atoms X and Y.
- 4- Based on the periodic table of the exercise one, identify the element(s) that X and Y belong to.
- 5- A bottle contains 3.2 g of the element X; determine the number of mole of X found in this bottle. Given the molar mass of X is  $16 \text{ g.mol}^{-1}$

## Third Exercise (8 pts)

### Galvanic Cells

In a lab session, a group of students in grade 9 constructed a Mg-Zn galvanic cell, by using the following materials:

Mg and Zn strips, solution containing  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  ions, solution containing  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  ions, connecting wires, alligator clips, a lamp, and 2 beakers, a salt bridge.

To identify the more active metal, the students measured the mass of the 2 strips every 30 minutes and they recorded the results in the table below.

	Time (in min)	0	30	60	90	120
Mass of the Electrode (in g)	Zinc Strip	10	11	12	13	14
	Magnesium Strip	10	9	8	7	6

- 1- Draw a line graph that represents the variation of the mass of Zn and Mg strips as a function of time.
- 2- Determine the anode and the cathode in the above galvanic cell.
- 3- Sketch and label the galvanic cell, showing the lamp in the external circuit, and the direction of the electron flow.
- 4- Write the half equations that take place at the anode and the cathode, and specify the type of each one.
- 5- Deduce the equation of the overall reaction.
- 6- When the salt bridge is removed, the lamp turns off. Justify why.
- 7- Another group constructs a Zn-Cu galvanic cell, they deduce that Zn is more active than Cu.
  - a- Write the schematic cell representation of this cell.
  - b- Classify the metals Zn, Mg and Cu in the increasing order of their reactivity.