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A complete exam consists of five (5) questions on a total of twelve (12) pages. Write your answers on these pages (you can use the back for computation). State your assumptions and show calculations that support your conclusions.

RESOURCES PERMITTED: PERIODIC TABLE OF THE ELEMENTS TABLE OF CONSTANTS ONE AID SHEET (ONE PAGE 8.5" × 11", DOUBLE-SIDED O.K.) A STAND-ALONE CALCULATOR – GRAPHING O.K.

NO BOOKS OR OTHER NOTES ALLOWED.

USE OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS DEVICES STRICTLY FORBIDDEN.

Problem 1	17 pts	
Problem 2	23 pts	
Problem 3	18 pts	
Problem 4	21 pts	
Problem 5	21 pts	
TOTAL	100 pts	

Problem 1 (17 POINTS)

a. Use the fact that SeOF₂ is trigonal pyramidal to write the Lewis Dot Structure, including lone pairs, for SeOF₂. (3 points)

b. Below is a drawing of two different amino acids, Methionine and Lysine, without any lone pairs drawn.



Name the VSEPR geometry around the following central atoms:

i.The sulfur in methionine (2 points)

ii. The circled carbon in lysine. (2 points)

iii. Which of these angles is smaller? Explain why or why not in ONE sentence.(2 points)

CH₂-S-CH₂ OR CH₂-CH₂-CH₂

c. Below is one structure for the molecule $[CH_6N_3]^+$



i. There are three other resonant structures for this molecule; what are they? (6 points)

ii. The structure that we gave you for $[CH_6N_3]^+$ contributes the least to the overall bonding of the molecule (it is the least stable). Why? (2 points)

Problem 2 (23 POINTS)

NaCl is a compound that forms a rock salt structure (unit cell below). The radius of the Na⁺ atoms is 1.16 Å; the radius of the Cl⁻ atoms is 1.67 Å. ($1\text{\AA} = 10^{-10} \text{ m}$).



a. Name the Bravais lattice (lattice type) of NaCl. What is the basis? (2 points)

b. How many Na⁺ ions are in the unit cell? How many Cl⁻ ions? (4 points)

c. Determine the close-packed direction of this structure and use it to calculate the lattice parameter, a. (3 points)

Rock salt diagram © Jim Clark/chemguide. All rights reserved. This content is excluded from our Creative Commons license. For information, see https://ocw.mit.edu/fairuse.

d. Draw (211), [021], [301], and (110) in the boxes below. Make sure to label which is which. (8 points)



e. Which of the planes in part d is closer in distance to its equivalent plane in a neighboring cell? Show how you arrived at this answer. (4 points)

f. Using atomic packing factor, explain why calcium is denser than potassium. (2 points)

Problem 3 (18 POINTS)

 Rank the following intermolecular forces in terms of their average relative strength: London dispersion, hydrogen bonding, dipole-dipole, and dipole-induced-dipole. (4 points)



You have the four following molecules in liquid form in your lab cabinet.



b. Which has the highest boiling point? (2 points)

- c. You make a mixture of two of the liquids.
 - i. If you wanted your mixture to have the LOWEST possible boiling point, which **two** of the four molecules would you choose? (4 points)

ii. If you want your mixture to have the HIGHEST possible boiling point, which **two** of the four molecules would you choose? (4 points)

d. You have two samples of polyethylene, a polymer made of chains of carbon and hydrogen, as shown below. For one sample, each molecule chain is 50 units long and in the next sample, each chain is 500 units long. Which sample of plastic will be stronger? Why? (4 points)



Problem 4 (21 POINTS)

a. The molecular orbitals of a second-row diatomic molecule are shown in this figure. Label them each as σ , σ^* , π , or π^* by filling in the boxes provided. (The 2p and 2s atomic orbitals are labelled for reference). (6 points)



b. Circle which of the following this skeleton MO diagram could correspond to. (2 points)



c. Rank the following molecules in terms of stability: Li₂, Be₂ B₂, C₂. Be sure to show your work (no need to show MO diagrams). (8 points)

c. Acrylonitrile is a feedstock chemical used for the manufacture of "nitrile" polymers. Pictured below is its chemical structure. What is the hybridization of the circled atoms? (3 points)



d. Give the total number of σ bonds and total number of π bonds in acrylonitrile. (2 points)

Problem 5 (21 POINTS)

a. UV light corresponds to wavelengths from 10-400nm. What is the range of band gaps corresponding to UV light? (3 points)

b. You only have two materials in the lab to build an LED: GaAs (band gap 1.42 eV at 300K) and GaN (band gap 3.2 eV at 300 K). Which would you choose as a UV emitter? (3 points)

c. UV light can damage eyes, so you decide that for safety, your LED should emit in the visible range too. You recall that you can tune the band gap by alloying your material. Determine the fraction x of GaAs in your alloy such that GaAs_xN_{1-x} will emit red light (wavelength 700nm). Remember that the band gap of an alloy is the weighted average of the band gaps of its components. (3 points)

- d. If you place the GaAs_xN_{1-x} adjacent to *your answer from (B)* your LED will emit both UV light and red light. However, you observe that it is really dim: you decide to dope it with Mg.
 - i. Is Mg an n- or p-type dopant in GaAs_xN_{1-x}? (2 points)

ii. If you dope 1g GaN with Mg such that 1 Mg atom replaces 1 in every 10⁶ Ga atoms, how many extra carriers are produced? What kind of carriers are these? (4 points)



e. In order to get enough current to $GaAs_xN_{1-x}$ and *your answer from (B)* processing requires that the two are stacked. Which should be on top to ensure no light is blocked? (3 points)

f. Do you expect a larger temperature-dependence of conductivity in the doped or the undoped GaAsN, at moderate temperatures? (3 points)

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