

This print-out should have 30 questions. Multiple-choice questions may continue on the next column or page – find all choices before answering.

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**LDE Planck relation 001**

**001** 10.0 points

What is the energy, in Joules, of a photon of wavelength 200 nm? What bond energy would this correspond to, in  $\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mole}^{-1}$ ?

1.  $1.32 \times 10^{-40}$  J;  $7.95 \times 10^{-20}$   $\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mole}^{-1}$
2.  $9.94 \times 10^{-17}$  J;  $1.65 \times 10^{-43}$   $\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mole}^{-1}$
3.  $9.94 \times 10^{-19}$  J; 599  $\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mole}^{-1}$  **correct**
4.  $1.32 \times 10^{-21}$  J; 795  $\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mole}^{-1}$
5.  $9.94 \times 10^{-21}$  J; 5.99  $\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mole}^{-1}$
6.  $1.32 \times 10^{-31}$  J;  $7.95 \times 10^{-11}$   $\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mole}^{-1}$

**Explanation:**

$$\lambda = 200 \text{ nm} \qquad c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}.$$

For a photon  $c = \lambda \nu$ , so

$$E = h \nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$$

where  $c$  is the speed of light and  $h$  is Planck's constant.

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \frac{hc}{\lambda} \\ &= (6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}) (3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}) \\ &\quad \cdot \frac{1}{200 \text{ nm}} \cdot \frac{10^9 \text{ nm}}{1 \text{ m}} \\ &= 9.94 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

$$9.94 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J} \times 6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1} = 599 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mole}^{-1}$$

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**LDE Classical Failure 001**

**002** 10.0 points

Which of the following statement(s) is/are true?

- I) Classical mechanics accurately predicted the behavior of blackbody radiators.

- II) The failure of classical mechanics to predict the behavior of blackbody radiators is called the ultraviolet catastrophe.
- III) A minimum frequency of light is required to eject an electron from a metal surface.
- IV) The emission spectra of gases are continuous rather than discrete.

1. I, II and IV
2. II, III, and IV
3. II and III **correct**
4. III and IV
5. I and III

**Explanation:**

Classical mechanics predicted that the power radiated by a blackbody radiator would be proportional to the square of the frequency at which it emitted radiation, and thus approach infinity as the frequency increased. This was false, since at higher frequencies blackbody radiators emit less, not more power. This was termed the ultraviolet catastrophe. Classical mechanics also predicted that the energy (velocity) of electrons emitted from a metal surface is proportional to the intensity of light. In reality, the energy (velocity) is only dependent upon the frequency of light. Once the threshold frequency is reached, however, the number of emitted electrons is proportional to the intensity of light. Classical mechanics also fails in explaining the discrete lines in absorption/emission spectrum, which are due to discrete energy levels of atoms.

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**LDE Rydberg Calc 001**

**003** 10.0 points

For the Hydrogen atom, an electron moving between which two energy levels in the Balmer series would have to absorb light with a frequency ( $\nu$ ) of  $6.19 \times 10^{14}$  Hz?

1.  $n = 2$  and  $n = 3$
2.  $n = 1$  and  $n = 3$

3.  $n = 3$  and  $n = 5$

4.  $n = 2$  and  $n = 4$  **correct**

5.  $n = 1$  and  $n = 4$

6.  $n = 1$  and  $n = 2$

**Explanation:**

A frequency of  $6.19 \times 10^{14}$  Hz corresponds to a transition from  $n = 2$  to  $n = 4$  using the Rydberg equation. The fact that the Balmer series is mentioned also indicates that  $n_1$  must be 2.

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**LDE Particle in a Box Theory 001**

**004** 10.0 points

Which of the following statements concerning particle in a box is/are true?

- I) The energy of the particle can be equal to zero.
- II) The wavelength ( $\lambda$ ) is proportional to the length of the box ( $L$ ).
- III) As the length of the box ( $L$ ) increases, the energy levels become closer in value.

1. I and II

2. I only

3. I, II and III

4. III only

5. II and III **correct**

6. I and III

7. II only

**Explanation:**

The energy of the particle in the box can never be zero; this is a consequence of the fact that it can never be stationary, and as a massive particle in motion, thus has to have some energy. The length of the box ( $L$ ) and the principle energy level ( $n$ ) determine the wavelength ( $\lambda$ ) of the system, and because  $n$  can only have integer values,  $\lambda$  can only

have certain discrete values. The energy of the particle ( $E$ ) is inversely proportional to  $L$ , and thus as  $L$  increases, the different energy levels are closer to total degeneracy.

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**LDE uncertainty calculation 003**

**005** 10.0 points

An electron has a fairly well defined position with an uncertainty of only  $10^{-10}$  m. What would the minimum uncertainty in the electron's velocity be? (A electron has a mass of  $9.1 \times 10^{-31}$  kg)

1.  $5.3 \times 10^5$  m  $\cdot$  s $^{-1}$

2.  $3.5 \times 10^5$  m  $\cdot$  s $^{-1}$

3.  $5.8 \times 10^5$  m  $\cdot$  s $^{-1}$  **correct**

4.  $4.6 \times 10^5$  m  $\cdot$  s $^{-1}$

5.  $6.1 \times 10^5$  m  $\cdot$  s $^{-1}$

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta x(m\Delta v) &\geq \frac{h}{4\pi} \\ \Delta v &\geq \frac{h}{4\pi m\Delta x} \\ &\geq \frac{6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}}{4\pi (9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}) (10^{-10} \text{ m})} \\ &\geq 5.8 \times 10^5 \text{ m} \cdot \text{s}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

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**LDE de Broglie 002**

**006** 10.0 points

What is the de Broglie wavelength of a bird being chased by Schrodinger's cat, Albert? The bird has a mass of 300 g and is flying at 50 km/h.

1. Not enough information is given.

2.  $1.59024 \times 10^{-37}$

3.  $4.41733 \times 10^{-39}$

4.  $1.59024 \times 10^{-34}$  m **correct**

$$5. 4.41733 \times 10^{-35}$$

**Explanation:**

$$m = 300 \text{ g} = 0.3 \text{ kg}$$

$$v = 50 \text{ km/h} \cdot \frac{1000 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ km}} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ h}}{3600 \text{ s}}$$

$$= 13.8889 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{h}{m \cdot v}$$

$$= \frac{6.626 \times 10^{-34} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{s}}}{(0.3 \text{ kg})(13.8889 \text{ m/s})}$$

$$= 1.59024 \times 10^{-34} \text{ m}$$

**LDE Schrodinger and wave theory****007** 10.0 points

Which of the following statements concerning the Schrodinger equation and its solution for the hydrogen atom is/are true?

- I) An electron's exact location cannot be determined using the Schrodinger equation.
- II) The use of polar coordinates simplifies the solution to the Schrodinger equation for the hydrogen atom.
- III) The solution to the Schrodinger for the hydrogen atom contains a single potential energy term.

- 1. I only
- 2. I, II and III **correct**
- 3. II and III
- 4. II only
- 5. I and II
- 6. I and III
- 7. III only

**Explanation:**

Solutions to the Schrodinger equation are wave functions, which when squared express the probable location of electrons; but, the exact location cannot be known. Attractive

potential energy terms are found in all solutions for all atoms. Repulsive potential energy terms are found only in atoms that have more than one electron, i.e. everything beyond hydrogen. Polar coordinates are preferred for 3-D solutions because they simplify the math.

**LDE quantum rules 003****008** 10.0 points

Which of the following is not a permitted combination of quantum numbers?

1.  $n = 4, \ell = 0, m_\ell = -2, m_s = -\frac{1}{2}$   
**correct**

2.  $n = 3, \ell = 2, m_\ell = -2, m_s = \frac{1}{2}$

3.  $n = 6, \ell = 5, m_\ell = -5, m_s = -\frac{1}{2}$

4.  $n = 8, \ell = 0, m_\ell = 0, m_s = \frac{1}{2}$

5.  $n = 5, \ell = 3, m_\ell = -2, m_s = \frac{1}{2}$

**Explanation:**

For  $\ell = 0, m_\ell$  can only have a value of 0.

**LDE quantum rules 004****009** 10.0 points

How many electrons are in principle energy level 7 ( $n = 7$ )?

- 1. 196
- 2. 14
- 3. 98 **correct**
- 4. 28
- 5. 49

**Explanation:**

the number of electrons in a given principle energy level is equal to  $2n^2$ .

**LDE orbital filling 001****010** 10.0 points

Consider the electron filling diagram below:



2p  $\uparrow\downarrow \uparrow\downarrow \uparrow\downarrow$   
 2s  $\uparrow$   
 1s  $\uparrow\downarrow$

Which of the following does it violate?

- I) The aufbau principle
- II) The Pauli exclusion principle
- III) Hund's rule

1. II and III
2. I only
3. I and II
4. I, II and III
5. I and III **correct**
6. II only
7. III only

**Explanation:**

The half-filled 2s

**LDE Electronic configuration 003**

**011** 10.0 points

What is the correct electronic configuration for a ground-state divalent Barium cation ( $\text{Ba}^{2+}$ )?

1.  $[\text{Rn}] 6s^1$
2.  $[\text{Xe}]$  **correct**
3.  $[\text{Xe}] 6s^2 4f^2$
4.  $[\text{Rn}]$
5.  $[\text{Xe}] 6s^1$
6.  $[\text{Rn}] 6s^2 5d^2$

**Explanation:**

The Aufbau order of electron filling is 1s, 2s, 2p, 3s, 3p, 4s, 3d, 4p, 5s, 4d, 5p, 6s, 4f, 5d, 6p, etc.

s orbitals can hold 2 electrons, p orbitals 6 electrons, and d orbitals 10 electrons. Note some exceptions do occur in the electron con-

figuration of atoms because of the stability of either a full or half-full outermost d-orbital, so you may need to account for this by 'shuffling' an electron from the (n - 1) s orbital. Finally use noble gas shorthand to get the answer:  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$  has 54 electrons all of which are accounted for by the shorthand notation,  $[\text{Xe}]$ .

**LDE Electronic configuration 004**

**012** 10.0 points

What is the correct electronic configuration for a ground-state Gold atom (Au)?

1.  $[\text{Rn}] 6s^2 4f^{14} 5d^9$
2.  $[\text{Rn}] 6s^1 4f^{14} 5d^{10}$
3.  $[\text{Rn}] 6s^1 5d^{10}$
4.  $[\text{Xe}] 6s^2 4f^{14} 5d^9$
5.  $[\text{Xe}] 6s^1 5d^{10}$
6.  $[\text{Xe}] 6s^1 4f^{14} 5d^{10}$  **correct**

**Explanation:**

The Aufbau order of electron filling is 1s, 2s, 2p, 3s, 3p, 4s, 3d, 4p, 5s, 4d, 5p, 6s, 4f, 5d, 6p, etc.

s orbitals can hold 2 electrons, p orbitals 6 electrons, and d orbitals 10 electrons. Note some exceptions do occur in the electron configuration of atoms because of the stability of either a full or half-full outermost d-orbital, so in the case of gold you need to account for this by 'shuffling' an electron from the 6s orbital into the 5d orbital. Finally use noble gas shorthand to get the answer:  $[\text{Xe}] 6s^1 4f^{14} 5d^{10}$ .

**LDE Electronic configuration 005**

**013** 10.0 points

What is the correct electronic configuration for a ground-state Antimony(V) ion ( $\text{Sb}^{5+}$ )?

1.  $[\text{Kr}] 5s^2 4d^{10}$
2.  $[\text{Kr}] 5s^0 4d^{10}$  **correct**

3.  $[\text{Kr}] 5s^1 4d^{10}$
4.  $[\text{Kr}] 5s^0 3f^{14} 4d^{10}$
5.  $[\text{Kr}] 5s^2 4d^8$

**Explanation:**

The Aufbau order of electron filling is  $1s$ ,  $2s$ ,  $2p$ ,  $3s$ ,  $3p$ ,  $4s$ ,  $3d$ ,  $4p$ ,  $5s$ ,  $4d$ ,  $5p$ ,  $6s$ ,  $4f$ ,  $5d$ ,  $6p$ , etc.

$s$  orbitals can hold 2 electrons,  $p$  orbitals 6 electrons, and  $d$  orbitals 10 electrons. Note some exceptions do occur in the electron configuration of ions of main group metals (such as Antimony). When forming an ion from a main group metal, electrons are removed first from the highest energy  $p$  orbital followed by the highest energy  $s$  orbital. Finally use noble gas shorthand to get the answer:  $[\text{Kr}] 5s^0 4d^{10}$ .

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**LDE periodic table 001**
**014** 10.0 points

Which of the following elements is not correctly paired with its group (family) name?

1. Lithium (Li), Alkali metals
2. Radon (Rn), Noble gases
3. Bismuth (Bi), Halogens **correct**
4. Strontium (Sr), Alkaline earth metals

**Explanation:**

The pnictogens are the family containing nitrogen through bismuth. The halogens are fluorine through astatine.

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**LDE periodic trend theory 001**
**015** 10.0 points

Which of the following BEST describes the purpose of effective nuclear charge?

1. It is used to determine the number of valence electrons of a given species.
2. It is used to rationalize chemical bonding in covalently bonded molecules.
3. It is a method to evaluate how much attrac-

tion a given electron feels from the nucleus so that periodic trends can be predicted and rationalized. **correct**

4. It is a measure of the effect of filled and half-filled subshells on the stability of atoms and ions.

5. It is a measure of how many protons a given atom has which is useful because of variations from isotope to isotope.

6. It exists only to torture foolish CH 301 students who did not study.

**Explanation:**

Inner shell electrons shield the outer shell electrons from the full attraction of the nucleus. An electron in a higher shell, farther from the nucleus, feels much less attraction, for example; in other words the effective nuclear charge it experiences is smaller. This is used to rationalize the periodic trends.

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**LDE Ranking trends 003**
**016** 10.0 points

Rank the following isoelectronic species from smallest to largest ionic radius:  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{S}^{2-}$ ,  $\text{Cl}^-$ ,  $\text{Ga}^{3+}$ .

1.  $\text{S}^{2-} < \text{Cl}^- < \text{Ca}^{2+} < \text{Ga}^{3+}$
2.  $\text{Cl}^- < \text{S}^{2-} < \text{Ca}^{2+} < \text{Ga}^{3+}$
3.  $\text{Ga}^{3+} < \text{Ca}^{2+} < \text{Cl}^- < \text{S}^{2-}$  **correct**
4.  $\text{Ca}^{2+} < \text{Ga}^{3+} < \text{S}^{2-} < \text{Cl}^-$
5.  $\text{Ga}^{3+} < \text{S}^{2-} < \text{Ca}^{2+} < \text{Cl}^-$

**Explanation:**

The ionic radius trend is very smooth. For a given set of isoelectronic species, the one with most protons is the smallest and the one with the least protons is the largest.

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**LDE rank trend exceptions 001**
**017** 10.0 points

Rank the following from least to greatest ionization energy: silicon (Si), phosphorous (P),

sulfur (S).

1.  $S < P < Si$
2.  $P < S < Si$
3.  $Si < S < P$  **correct**
4.  $P < Si < S$
5.  $S < Si < P$
6.  $Si < P < S$

**Explanation:**

Ionization energy increases across a given row, but because of the added stability of a half-filled  $p$  subshell, sulfur has a lower ionization energy than would be simply predicted based on effective nuclear charge arguments.

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**LDE Lewis Structures 003**

**018** 10.0 points

Which of the following is the correct Lewis structure of Sodium Fluoride (NaF)?

1.  $Na^+, [:\ddot{F}:]^-$  **correct**
2.  $:\ddot{Na}-\ddot{F}:$
3.  $[\ddot{Na}]^+, F^-$
4.  $Na-\ddot{F}:$

**Explanation:**

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**LDE rank lattice energy 001**

**019** 10.0 points

Rank the following salts from least to greatest lattice energy: Lithium Fluoride (LiF), Lithium Bromide (LiBr), Beryllium Fluoride (BeF<sub>2</sub>), Beryllium Bromide (BeBr<sub>2</sub>).

1.  $BeBr_2 < BeF_2 < LiBr < LiF$
2.  $LiBr < LiF < BeBr_2 < BeF_2$  **correct**
3.  $LiF < LiBr < BeF_2 < BeBr_2$

4.  $LiF < BeF_2 < LiBr < BeBr_2$

5.  $BeF_2 < BeBr_2 < LiF < LiBr$

**Explanation:**

Charge density is the ratio of the charge of a species to its size, in this case ionic radius is an excellent proxy for the actual volume. Thus the smaller and more highly charged the cation and anion of salt are, the greater their attraction and thus lattice energy will be.

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**LDE Lewis Structures 004**

**020** 10.0 points

Which of the following is the correct Lewis structure of ozone (O<sub>3</sub>)?

- 1.
  - 2.
  - 3.
  - 4.
- correct**
- 5.

**Explanation:**

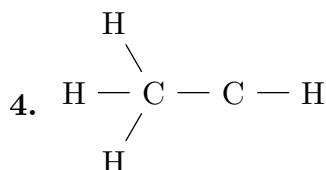
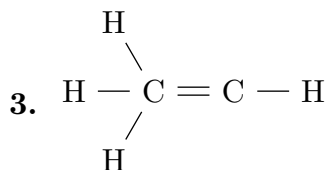
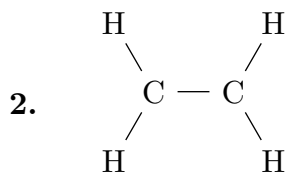
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**LDE Lewis Structures 001**

**021** 10.0 points

Which of the following is the correct Lewis structure for ethene (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)?

- 1.
- correct**



**Explanation:**

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**LDE Lewis Structures Exceptions 001**

**022** 10.0 points

Which of the following is the correct Lewis structure of Nitric Oxide (NO)?

1.  $:\text{N} \equiv \dot{\text{O}}:$
2.  $:\dot{\text{N}} \equiv \text{O}:$
3.  $:\ddot{\text{N}} = \dot{\text{O}}:$
4.  $:\dot{\text{N}} = \ddot{\text{O}}:$  **correct**

**Explanation:**

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**LDE Lewis Structures Exceptions 002**

**023** 10.0 points

Which group on the periodic table contains at least one element likely to form stable covalent compounds that have fewer than 8 valence electrons on their central atom?

1. Group 2

2. Group 3 **correct**

3. Group 7

4. Group 4

5. Group 5

**Explanation:**

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**LDE Lewis Structures 002**

**024** 10.0 points

Which of the following compounds has only single bonds?

- I)  $\text{N}_2$
- II)  $\text{O}_2$
- III)  $\text{H}_2$
- IV)  $\text{CH}_4$

1. II only

2. I, II

3. III, IV **correct**

4. I, IV

5. I only

6. III only

**Explanation:**

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**LDE Lewis Structures Exceptions 003**

**025** 10.0 points

How many bonding and non-bonding electrons does the sulfur atom in  $\text{SCl}_4$  have?

1. 10 bonding, 0 non-bonding
2. 4 bonding, 1 non-bonding
3. 4 bonding, 2 non-bonding
4. 8 bonding, 0 non-bonding
5. 8 bonding, 2 non-bonding **correct**

**Explanation:**

The correct Lewis structure for  $\text{SCl}_4$  has a total of 34 valence electrons, two of which

have to be present as non-bonding electrons on the sulfur atom, as it is the only atom that can be hypervalent.

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**LDE Lewis Structures Exceptions 004**

**026** 10.0 points

Which of the following compounds have a hypervalent central atom?

- I)  $\text{SCl}_6$
- II)  $\text{BF}_3$
- III)  $\text{Br}_3^-$
- IV)  $\text{CH}_3\text{Cl}$

1. I, IV
2. III only
3. II, III
4. I, III correct
5. II, IV
6. I, II, III

**Explanation:**

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**LDE Assigning Formal Charge 001**

**027** 10.0 points

What is the formal charge on the Xenon atom (Xe) in  $\text{XeF}_2$ ?

1. 6
2. 2
3. 0 correct
4. -2
5. -4

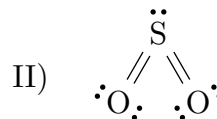
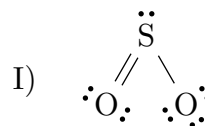
**Explanation:**

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**LDE Formal Charge and Lewis 001**

**028** 10.0 points

Based on formal charge considerations alone, which of the following is a better Lewis structure for sulfur dioxide ( $\text{SO}_2$ )?



1. Both are correct
2. II correct
3. I
4. Neither is correct

**Explanation:**

In structure II, all of the atoms have a formal charge of zero.

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**LDE Ranking Bonding Trends 001**

**029** 10.0 points

Rank the following diatomic molecules in terms of increasing bond length: HI, HF, HBr, HCl

1.  $\text{HI} < \text{HF} < \text{HCl} < \text{HBr}$
2. Not enough information.
3.  $\text{HI} < \text{HBr} < \text{HCl} < \text{HF}$
4.  $\text{HF} < \text{HCl} < \text{HBr} < \text{HI}$  correct
5.  $\text{HCl} < \text{HBr} < \text{HI} < \text{HF}$

**Explanation:**

As the difference in electronegativity decreases for a given bond, the bond tends to become longer and weaker.

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**LDE EN Difference Calc**

**030** 10.0 points

Approximate the electronegativity difference ( $\Delta\text{EN}$ ) of the C—H bonds in methane ( $\text{CH}_4$ ).

1. 0.3 correct
2. 0



**3. 0.8**

**4. 1.3**

**5. 0.7**

**Explanation:**