

## Exercise 0.72 – Physical properties – electrical conductivity

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**Q072-01** Which substances has the lowest electrical conductivity?

- A. Cu(s)
  - B. Hg(l)
  - C. LiOH(aq)
  - D. H<sub>2</sub>(g)
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**Q072-02** Which compound dissolved in water to form a solution that does not conduct electricity?

- A. HCl
  - B. NaCl
  - C. CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH
  - D. CH<sub>3</sub>COOH
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**Q072-03** What are responsible for the high electrical conductivity of metals?

- A. Delocalised positive ions
  - B. Delocalised valence electrons
  - C. Delocalised atoms
  - D. Delocalised negative ions
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**Q072-04** Which has the greatest electrical conductivity at room temperature?

pure water

- A. 0.010 M aqueous sodium chloride solution.
  - B. 0.010 M aqueous sucrose solution.
  - C. pure silver
  - D. 0.010 M dilute ethanoic acid solution
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**Q072-05** A solution of which compound in water will best conduct electricity?

- A. CH<sub>3</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub>
  - B. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>
  - C. NH<sub>3</sub>
  - D. C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> (benzene)
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**Q072-06** By reference to the structure and bonding in the compounds NaCl and SiCl<sub>4</sub> state and explain the differences in conductivity in the liquid state

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**Q072-07** Explain, in terms of their structure and bonding, why the element sulphur is a non-conductor of electricity and aluminium is a good conductor.

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**Q072-08** Explain why graphite can conduct electricity, but diamond is an insulator.

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**Q072-09** Use the information in the table below to identify the type of bonding and structure in each of the following substances. Explain these properties in terms of bonding and structure:

Substance	Melting point /K	Electrical conductivity
A	1986	Does not conduct in any state
B	1074	Conducts only in the liquid and aqueous states

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**Q072-10** Outline how potassium chloride is able to act as an electrical conductor.

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