Comprehensive Inorganic Chemistry

Answer the following questions related to advanced topics in inorganic chemistry. Show your work for calculation-based questions where applicable.
1. Determine the oxidation state of chromium in the compound K ₂ Cr ₂ O ₇ .
2. Draw the molecular orbital diagram for diatomic nitrogen (N_2). What is its bond order? Is the molecule paramagnetic or diamagnetic?
3. For the complex [Co(NH ₃) ₅ Cl] ² , determine the following:
a) The coordination number of the central metal ion.
b) The geometry of the complex.
c) The oxidation state of cobalt in this complex.
4. Using the spectrochemical series, explain why $[CoF_6]^3$ is high-spin, while $[Co(NH_3)_6]^3$ is low-spin.
5. Explain why the melting points of alkali metals decrease as you go down the group from lithium to cesium.