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CHEMISTRY
Unit 3(b) Practical Examination

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Monday 12 May 2008 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm

For this paper you must have

- a calculator.

Time allowed: 2 hours

Instructions

- Use blue or black ink or ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Carry out **all three** exercises.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer questions in the spaces provided. All working must be shown.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- Take careful note of all the instructions given in each exercise.
- The Periodic Table/Data Sheet is provided on pages 3 and 4. Detach this perforated sheet at the start of the examination.

Information

- You must **not** use note books and laboratory books.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 30.
- The skills which are being assessed are
Skill 1 Planning (8 marks)
Skill 2 Implementing (8 marks)
Skill 3 Analysing (8 marks)
Skill 4 Evaluating (6 marks)
- You will be assessed on your ability to use an appropriate form and style of writing, to organise relevant information clearly and coherently, and to use specialist vocabulary, where appropriate.

Advice

- You are advised to spend about 40 minutes on each of the three exercises.
- You are advised to carry out Exercise 1 first.

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This paper consists of the following.

Exercise 1	Implementing and Analysing	Titration of a sample of hydrochloric acid
Exercise 2	Analysing and Evaluating	Determination of the identity of a sample of sodium carbonate
Exercise 3	Planning	Determination of an enthalpy change for a metal displacement reaction.

An essential part of any practical work is to plan for the most efficient use of the time available. There is enough time to complete the exercises set provided that a sensible approach is used.

You are advised to spend approximately

40 minutes on Exercise 1
40 minutes on Exercise 2
40 minutes on Exercise 3

■ The atomic numbers and approximate relative atomic masses shown in the table are for use in the examination unless stated otherwise in an individual question.

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Gas constant $R = 8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

Table 1
Proton n.m.r chemical shift data

Type of proton	δ/ppm
RCH_3	0.7–1.2
R_2CH_2	1.2–1.4
R_3CH	1.4–1.6
RCOCH_3	2.1–2.6
ROCH_3	3.1–3.9
RCOOCH_3	3.7–4.1
ROH	0.5–5.0

Table 2
Infra-red absorption data

Bond	Wavenumber/ cm^{-1}
C—H	2850–3300
C—C	750–1100
C=C	1620–1680
C=O	1680–1750
C—O	1000–1300
O—H (alcohols)	3230–3550
O—H (acids)	2500–3000

Exercise 1 Titration of a sample of hydrochloric acid**Skill assessed** **Implementing** (8 marks)**Introduction**

You are provided with a sample of hydrochloric acid of concentration approximately 1 mol dm^{-3} . You will prepare a diluted solution of the hydrochloric acid and then titrate this diluted acid with the $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ solution of sodium hydroxide provided.

Wear eye protection at all times.

Assume that all solutions are toxic and corrosive.

Procedure

- 1 Rinse a pipette with the hydrochloric acid provided. Using this pipette and a pipette filler, transfer 25.0 cm^3 of the hydrochloric acid provided to a 250 cm^3 graduated volumetric flask and make the liquid level up to the mark with distilled or de-ionised water.
Have your solution in the volumetric flask checked by the supervisor before mixing. Mix the contents of the flask thoroughly.
- 2 Rinse the burette with the **diluted** hydrochloric acid solution. Set up the burette and, using a funnel, fill it with the **diluted** hydrochloric acid solution. Record the initial burette reading in the table below.
- 3 Rinse a pipette with the sodium hydroxide solution provided. Using this pipette and a pipette filler, transfer 25.0 cm^3 of the sodium hydroxide solution to a clean 250 cm^3 conical flask.
- 4 Add 3 or 4 drops of phenolphthalein indicator to the conical flask.
- 5 Add the acid from the burette until the mixture in the conical flask just turns colourless. Record your final burette reading in the table below.
- 6 Rinse the conical flask with water and repeat the titration until you obtain **two** titres which are within 0.10 cm^3 of each other. (You should do no more than five titrations.)
Have one of your final burette readings checked by the supervisor.
- 7 Calculate and record the average titre.

Results

Final burette reading/ cm^3					
Initial burette reading/ cm^3					
Volume of hydrochloric acid used/ cm^3					
Tick the titres to be used in calculating the average titre					

Average titre = cm^3

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Exercise 2 Determination of the identity of a sample of sodium carbonate**Skills assessed** **Analysing** (8 marks) **and Evaluating** (6 marks)**Introduction**

A sample of sodium carbonate was thought to be the monohydrate, $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$
 A student was asked to confirm the identity of the sample by titration against hydrochloric acid.

The method chosen by the student involved rinsing a weighing bottle with pure water and then weighing 0.15 g of the carbonate into the bottle. The contents of the weighing bottle were then transferred to a conical flask by inverting the bottle over the flask and shaking the bottle. About 20 cm^3 of pure water were added to the conical flask.

The student filled a burette with $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ hydrochloric acid. The sample was titrated with the acid solution, using methyl orange indicator. The student then repeated the titration using further 0.15 g samples of the carbonate. The following results were obtained.

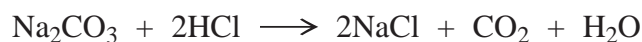
Titration number	1	2	3	4	5
Final burette reading / cm^3	23.20	22.80	45.70	22.75	29.50
Initial burette reading / cm^3	0.05	0.05	22.80	0.10	6.80

Analysis **Full marks can only be scored in calculations if you show all of your working.**

- 1 Use all of the concordant results in the table above to determine an average titre.

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- 2 The equation for the reaction is shown below.



Use the average titre to calculate the number of moles of sodium carbonate present in 0.15 g of the sample.

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- 3 Use your result from part 2 to determine the relative formula mass, M_r , of the sodium carbonate in the sample.

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- 4 Use your result from part 3 to determine the number of moles of water of crystallisation combined with one mole of sodium carbonate.

(If you could not complete the calculation in part 3 of the Analysis section, you should assume that the experimental M_r value is 130.0. This is not the correct answer.)

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- 5 For the balance and the burette, the maximum total errors are shown below. These errors take into account multiple measurements.

balance total error	$\pm 0.01 \text{ g}$
burette total error	$\pm 0.15 \text{ cm}^3$

Estimate the maximum percentage error in using these pieces of apparatus, and hence estimate their combined error.

You should use the average titre to estimate the percentage error in using the burette.

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Evaluation **Full marks can only be scored in calculations if you show all of your working.**

- 1 Comment on the consistency of the titres. Suggest one possible reason for an anomalous result.

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- 2 Calculate the difference between the experimental M_r value determined by the student and the actual M_r value of $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$
Express this difference as a percentage of the actual M_r value of $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ and comment on the significance of this percentage. You should assume that the difference is not due to impurities.

(If you could not complete the calculation in part 3 of the Analysis section, you should assume that the experimental M_r value is 130.0. This is not the correct answer.)

Difference

Percentage

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Comment

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- 3 State **two** ways of improving the student's method of weighing the sodium carbonate. In each case explain why the accuracy of the experiment would be improved.

Improvement 1

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Explanation

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Improvement 2

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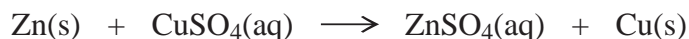
Explanation

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Exercise 3 Determination of an enthalpy change for a metal displacement reaction

Skill assessed **Planning** (8 marks)

Zinc reacts with aqueous copper(II) sulphate as shown by the following equation



The reaction is exothermic. Using an excess of powdered zinc the reaction takes a few minutes to go to completion.

Assume that zinc, copper and all of their compounds are toxic.

Question

Using the information above, describe how you would determine the enthalpy change of the reaction between zinc and copper(II) sulphate. Assume that you have access to a $0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ solution of copper(II) sulphate.

Your answer must include

- 1 The volume of copper(II) sulphate solution to be used.
- 2 A suitable mass of zinc to be used, and your reasons for choosing this mass.
- 3 A description of the experiment you would perform. Include details of the apparatus you would use and the precautions you would take to minimise heat loss. A diagram is not essential but may help your answer.
- 4 An explanation, including a sketch graph of temperature against time, showing how you would use your results to determine an accurate temperature rise.
- 5 An explanation showing how you would use the results of your experiment to calculate the enthalpy change, in kJ mol^{-1} , of the reaction between zinc and copper(II) sulphate.
- 6 Details of the potential hazards, and the relevant safety precautions you would take.

END OF QUESTIONS

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