

1. You are provided with the following:

BA1, which is a solution made by dissolving 3.45 g of a hydrated salt $X.nH_2O$ in 250 cm³ of water.

BA2, which is a 0.1 M hydrochloric acid.

You are required to determine the value of n in the salt.

Procedure:

Pipette 25 cm³ (or 20 cm³) of BA1 into a conical flask. Add 2-3 drops of methyl orange indicator and titrate with BA2 from the burette.

Repeat the titration until you obtain consistent results.

Record your results in the table below.

Volume of pipette used..... 25.0 ✓ 00½ cm³. (½ mark)

Final burette reading (cm ³)	29.10 ✓	28.00 ✓	29.60 ✓
Initial burette reading (cm ³)	1.50 ✓	0.50 ✓	2.10 ✓
Volume of BA2 used (cm ³)	27.60 ✓	27.50 ✓	27.50 ✓

Titre values of BA2 used for average

Correct subtraction of volume of BA2 used = 27.50 ✓ 01 (difference must be 0.2 max) (1 mark)

Average volume of BA2 used

$$\frac{27.50 + 27.50}{2} = 27.50 \text{ cm}^3$$

Questions

(a) Calculate the;

(i) number of moles of hydrochloric acid that reacted. (1½ marks)

1000 cm³ of HCl contains 0.1 moles ✓

27.50 cm³ of HCl acid contains $\left(\frac{0.1 \times 27.50}{1000}\right)$ moles ✓ 03

= 0.00275 moles ✓ with at least 4 dps

Case (b): Final burette reading not filled.

- Award initial burette reading
- no mark for subtraction
- Award values of BA2 used for average (0.2 limit)
- Award for average volume of BA2

Case (c): 2 columns correctly filled

Final	29.10
Initial	28.00
Volume	1.10

mark the candidate normally
Final ✓ Initial ✓ volume of BA2 ✓
The values used correct.
Average ✓ award

- (ii) number of moles of $X.nH_2O$ that reacted. (1 mole of $X.nH_2O$ reacts with 2 moles of hydrochloric acid). (02 marks)

1 mole of $X.nH_2O$ reacts with 2 moles of HCl

moles of $X.nH_2O$ reacted = $\frac{1}{2} \times 0.00275$ moles ✓

= 0.001375 moles ✓

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Alternatively,

2 moles HCl reacts with 1 mole $X.nH_2O$ ✓
0.00275 moles HCl reacts with $(\frac{1}{2} \times 0.00275)$ moles
= 0.001375 moles

- (iii) number of moles of $X.nH_2O$ in 250 cm³ of BA1. (03 marks)

250 cm³ of BA1 contains 0.001375 moles of $X.nH_2O$ ✓

250 cm³ of BA1 contains $(\frac{0.001375 \times 250}{25})$ moles ✓

= 0.01375 moles ✓

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at least 3 d.p.s

- (b) Determine the value of n in $X.nH_2O$. (5½ marks)
(H = 1; O = 16; X = 106)

0.01375 moles of $X.nH_2O$ weighs 3.45 g ✓

1 mole of $X.nH_2O$ weighs $(\frac{3.45 \times 1}{0.01375})$ g ✓

= 250.91 g ✓

05½

mass of nH_2O = 250.91 - 106 = 144.91 ✓

Ar of H_2O = $(1 \times 2) + 16 = 18$ ✓

18n = 144.91

$n = \frac{144.91}{18}$ ✓

n = 8 ✓

OR
 $X.nH_2O = 250.91$
 $106 + 18n = 250.91$ ✓
 $18n = 250.91 - 106$ ✓
 $18n = 144.91$
 $n = \frac{144.91}{18}$ ✓ n = 8 ✓

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Case (5): Only one column filled

19.00		
0.00		
19.00		

Award for table only.

no minus Deny range (0.2)

Deny accuracy (average)

Case (6): Initial greater than final.

eg

0.00	20.00	10.00
19.00	39.20	20.20
19.00	19.20	20.00

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260

106

Deny initial for the whole table. 154

Case (7): Volume of pipette not indicated.

- Award for initial volume
- Deny final burette reading
- Award for subtraction in the table.
- Deny accuracy (average volume)
- If candidate has indicated 25 cm³ (volume of pipette) in a cell; then award the table normally.

Case (8): Student using ratios in the table.

19.00 20.00 10.00
19.00 39.20 20.20
19.00 19.20 20.00
Deny ratios

Turn Over

If mixture of ratios and d.p.s
Deny ratios and award for these ratios d.p.s

TESTS	OBSERVATIONS	DEDUCTIONS
(iv) To the fourth portion of the acidified solution, add lead(II) nitrate solution and warm.	white precipitate ✓ insoluble on warming Reject "insoluble in excess"	SO_4^{2-} ✓ 0 1 1/2
(v) Use the fifth portion of the acidified solution to carry out a test of your own to confirm the anion in Q. TEST Add Barium nitrate solution ✓ or add $\text{Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ (aq) accept BaCl_2 (aq)	white precipitate ✓	✓ SO_4^{2-} 0 3 1/2
(c) Dissolve the residue in minimum amount of dilute sulphuric acid and divide the resultant solution into two parts. (i) To the first part of the solution add sodium hydroxide solution drop-wise until in excess.	Pale brown ✓ or yellow solution (accept only here but not pink) Brown precipitate ✓ insoluble in excess ✓	Fe^{3+} ✓ 0 2
(ii) To the second part of the solution, add 1 small piece of zinc granules and leave the solution to stand for 5 minutes. Divide the solution into two portions and use them for part (d).	or brown Pale yellow solution turned green ✓	✓ Fe^{3+} reduced to Fe^{2+} ✓ 0 1 1/2

$Fe^{3+} + 3e^- \rightarrow Fe^{2+} + 3e^-$

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(d) (i) To the first part of the solution, add sodium hydroxide solution drop-wise until in excess.	✓ green precipitate insoluble in excess ✓	accept in Q (Fe^{3+} reduced to Fe^{2+}) Fe^{2+} ✓ (Fe^{3+} present in Q) ✓ accept it here. 01½
(ii) To the second part of the solution, add aqueous ammonia drop-wise until in excess.	green precipitate ✓ insoluble in excess ✓	✓ Fe^{2+} formed Fe^{3+} present in Q ✓ (Fe^{3+} reduced to Fe^{2+}) ✓ 02½

- (e) (i) The cations in Q are Al^{3+} ✓, Fe^{3+} ✓ (17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100) 01½
- (ii) The anion in Q is SO_4^{2-} ✓ by (iv) and (v) 02½

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