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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

You should have a battery operated scientific calculator for this examination.

Answer ALL the questions in the answer booklet provided.

Maximum marks for each part of a question are indicated.

Candidates should answer the questions in English.

This paper consists of 7 printed pages.

Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.

1. A. You are provided with:

- 0.25 M standard solution of oxalic acid.
- Acidified $KMnO_4$ solution.
- Iron-steel wool solution.
- $2MH_2SO_4$.
- Filter papers, labels.
- Filter funnel.
- Stand, Bunsen burner.
- 100 g zinc dust AR.
- 2 burettes (0 - 50 cm³).
- 2 pipettes (25 cm³).
- 1,000 cm³ of de-ionized water.
- 5 conical flasks - pyrex glass.
- Pipette fillers (2).

B. You are required to:

- standardise the acidified $KMnO_4$;
- determine the percentage purity w/w of the kitchen iron - wool (or steel wool).

C. **PROCEED AS FOLLOWS:**

PART I

- (i) Fill the burette with the acidified $KMnO_4$ solution.
- (ii) Pipette 25 cm³ of the oxalic acid solution and heat gently in a pyrex glass conical flask until it boils, titrate while hot until a pinkish colouration permanently appears.

Repeat the experiment three more times and tabulate the results. (8 marks)

- (iii) I. Write an ionic equation of the reaction taking place during the titration. (1 mark)



- II. Calculate the molarity of the $KMnO_4$ solution. (3 marks)

PART II

- (i) Fill the burette with the standardised $KMnO_4$ solution.
- (ii) Pipette 25 cm³ of the freshly digested iron-wool solution into a clean conical flask.
- (iii) Titrate the iron wool solution with the $KMnO_4$ until a permanent colour change appears. Repeat the experiment three more times and tabulate the results. (8 marks)

- (iv) Write an ionic equation of the reaction taking place during the titration. (2 marks)
- (v) Calculate the percentage purity of the kitchen - iron-wool sample w/w. (5 marks)
- (vi) With the aid of equations, explain why it is necessary to have the iron-wool solution freshly prepared. (3 marks)
- (vii) Explain why the purity of the iron-wool is not 100% w/w. (3 marks)

2. A. You are provided with:

- A mixture of Na_2CO_3 and $NaHCO_3$ labelled as "Aqueous mixture".
- A solution of dilute HCl.
- A standard solution of 0.05 M Na_2CO_3 .
- Methyl orange indicator.
- Phenolphthalein indicator.
- Burette (0 - 50 cm³)
- Pipette (25 cm³)
- Labels.
- 6 conical flasks.
- Stand.

B. You are required to:

- standardise the dilute HCl solution;
- determine the molarity of Na_2CO_3 and $NaHCO_3$ in the mixture.

C. **PROCEED AS FOLLOWS:**

PART I

- (i) Fill the burette with the dilute HCl solution.
- (ii) Pipette 25 cm³ of the standard Na_2CO_3 solution into a clean conical flask and add 3 drops of methyl orange indicator and titrate until a permanent colour change appears. Repeat the experiment three more times and tabulate the results. *29.7, 29.6, 29.6* (8 marks)
- (iii) Calculate the molarity of the HCl solution. *$M = \frac{g/l}{R_{vol}} \times 1000$* (2 marks)

PART II

- (i) Pipette 25 cm³ of the aqueous mixture solution into a clean conical flask and add 3 drops of phenolphthalein indicator.
- (ii) Fill the burette with the standardised solution of HCl. Titrate the mixture until a permanent colour change appears. Repeat the experiment three more times and tabulate the results. (8 marks)
- (iii) Write an equation of the reaction taking place during the titration. (1 mark)
- (iv) Calculate the molarity of the substance reacting with the HCl during the titration. (2 marks)
- (v) Fill the burette with the HCl solution.
- (vi) Pipette 25 cm³ of the aqueous mixture solution into a clean conical flask and add 3 drops of methyl orange indicator. Titrate the mixture with the acid until a permanent colour change occurs. Repeat the experiment three more times and tabulate the results. (8 marks)
- (vii) Write equations for the reactions taking place during the titration. (2 marks)
- (viii) Calculate the molarity of the second component of the mixture of $\text{NaCO}_3/\text{NaHCO}_3$. (3 marks)

3. PART A

You are provided with the following:

- Solutions **A**, **B** and **C** containing cations of group II metals.
- 1 M sodium hydroxide.
- 1 M ammonia solution.

You are required to use NaOH and NH_4OH solutions to test and identify the group 2 ions contained in the solutions **A**, **B** and **C**.

PROCEDURE I

- (i) Pour half of solution **A** into an empty test tube.
- (ii) To the first half, add a few drops of the 1 M NaOH solution. Record your observations in table I.
- (iii) Add an excess of the 1 M NaOH solution (about 20 drops) to the test tube. Record your observations in the table I.
- (iv) Repeat procedures (i) to (iii) for solutions **B** and **C** and record observations in the table I.

Table I

| Unknown solution | OBSERVATIONS | |
|------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| | Addition of a few drops of <i>NaOH</i> | Addition of excess <i>NaOH</i> |
| A | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |
| B | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |
| C | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |

- (v) To the second half of solution **A**, add a few drops of 1 M NH_4OH solution. Record your observations in table II.
- (vi) Add an excess of NH_4OH solution (About 20 drops) to the test tube. Record your observations in table II.
- (vii) Repeat procedures (v) and (vi) for unknown solutions **B** and **C** and record your observations in table II.

Table II

| Unknown solution | OBSERVATIONS | |
|------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| | Addition of a few drops of <i>NaOH</i> | Addition of excess <i>NaOH</i> |
| A | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |
| B | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |
| C | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |

PART B

You are provided with the following:

- Unknown solids **A**, **B** and **C**.
- Platinum wire/nicrome wire.
- Concentrated HCl .

PROCEDURE II

- (i) Clean the platinum wire by dipping it in concentrated HCl in a test tube.
- (ii) Heat the platinum wire strongly in the flame until the wire imparts no colour to the flame.
- (iii) Dip the wire into concentrated HCl in a test tube/ watch glass and then into a little solid **A**, so that the some solid **A** sticks to the wire.
- (iv) Introduce the wire to the flame and note the colour imparted to the flame.
- (v) Record the observation in table III provided.
- (vi) Repeat procedures / steps (i) to (v) for solids **B** and **C**.

Table III

| Unknown solid | Observation | Inference |
|---------------|-------------|-----------|
| A | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |
| B | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |
| C | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |

- (vii) Using the observations in procedure I and II, identify the group II ions in the solutions **A**, **B** and **C**. (5 marks)

PART C

You are provided with organic compounds labelled **X** and **Y**. You are required to carry out the following tests and complete table IV:

Table IV

| | | PROCEDURE | OBSERVATION | INFERENCE |
|----------|-------|---|-------------|-----------|
| A | (i) | Place a drop of compound X on moist blue litmus paper | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |
| | (ii) | Take about 1 ml of compound X in a test tube and add a few drops of sodium hydrogen carbonate | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |
| | (iii) | Place about 1 ml of compound X into a test tube, add 1 ml of ethyl alcohol and 1 - 2 drops of concentrated sulphuric acid. Heat the mixture on a water bath for about 5 minutes. Pour the mixture into a beaker containing cold water. | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |
| B | (i) | Add a few drops of bromine water to Y and shake well. | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |
| | (ii) | Dissolve a little of compound Y in about 2 ml of distilled water in a test tube and add a few drops of alkaline solution of $KMnO_4$ to it and shake well. | (1 mark) | (1 mark) |

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