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<p>b) A commercial descaling product contains 91.0% by mass of this acid HX.</p> <p>In order to determine the molar mass of this acid, 3.00 g of the descaler were dissolved in distilled water and the total volume made up to $5.00 \times 10^{-1} \text{ dm}^3$. A 20.0 cm^3 sample of this solution was titrated with sodium hydroxide solution, $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$. The pH of the solution was recorded as the volume of base, V_b, was added progressively.</p> <p>The titration graph obtained, $\text{pH} = f(V_b)$, gave the following information:</p> <p>pH = 1.25 when $V_b = 0.00 \text{ cm}^3$;</p> <p>pH = 7.00 when $V_b = 11.2 \text{ cm}^3$.</p>		
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<p>iii. Calculate the molar mass of the acid HX.</p>		2 marks
<p>iv. Calculate the concentration of the solution of sodium hydroxide used.</p>		2 marks
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<p>i. Calculate the initial concentration of the solution of acid HY.</p>		2 marks
<p>ii. Show by calculation that the pH at the equivalence point is 8.75, knowing that the equivalence point was reached after the addition of 20.0 cm^3 of the sodium hydroxide solution.</p>		3 marks
<p>iii. State how the titration graph of a strong acid with a strong base differs to that of a weak acid with a strong base.</p>		2 marks
<p>d) Each of the two acids, HX and HY, can be used to prepare a buffer solution by mixing them with another substance in aqueous solution.</p>		
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