



EXAMINATION NO.: _____

SOUTH EAST EDUCATION DIVISION

2024 MALAWI SCHOOL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION MOCK EXAMINATION

CHEMISTRY

Tuesday, 26 March

Subject Number: M038/I

Time Allowed: 2 hours

8:00 - 10:00 am

PAPER I (100 marks)

Instructions:

1. This paper contains **12** printed pages.
Please check.
2. Write your **Examination Number** at the top of each page of the question paper.
3. This paper contains **two** sections **A** and **B**.
In Section **A** there are ten short answer questions and in section **B** there are three restricted **three** restricted essay questions.
4. Use of scientific calculator is allowed.
5. The maximum number of marks for each answer is indicated against each question.
6. In the table provided on this page, **tick** against the question number you have answered.
7. Hand in your question paper to the invigilator when time is called to stop writing..

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SECTION A (70 marks)

Answer **all** questions in this section in the spaces provided.

1. a. State any **two** ways of determining the purity of a substance.

(2 marks)

- b. Sample A was analyzed in the laboratory and the results were recorded as shown in **Figure 1** below:

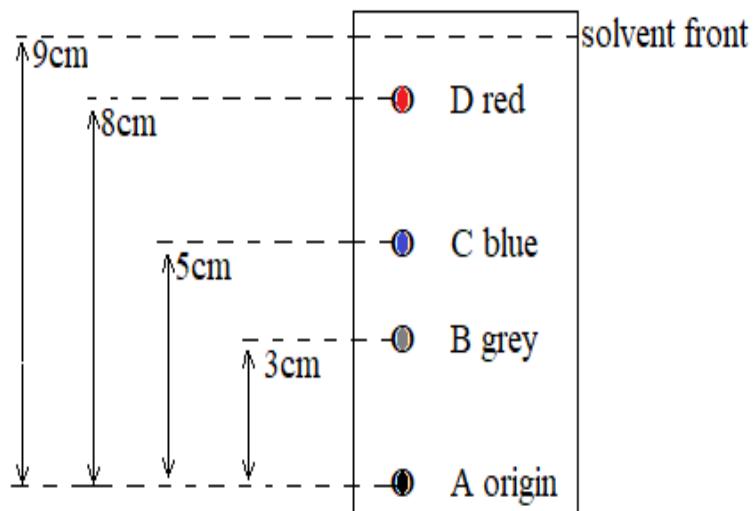


Figure 1

- i. State whether sample A is a pure substance or not.

(1 mark)

- ii. Explain your answer in 1. b) i. above.

(1 mark)

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iii. Calculate the relative flow value of component **B**.

(3 marks)

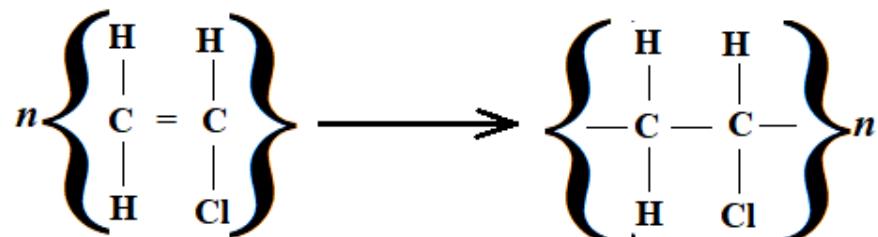
2. a. State any **two** ways of determining the rate of a chemical reaction.

(2 marks)

b. Explain how temperature affects the rate of chemical reaction?

(3 marks)

3. a. Polymerization of chloroethene can be represented by the equation below:



i. Name the polymer formed.

(1 mark)

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3. (Continued)...

ii. What kind of polymerization is represented in the equation above?

(1 mark)

b. i. State any **two** examples of artificial polymers.

(2 marks)

ii. Explain why thermosoftening plastics melt when subjected to heat.

(2 marks)

4. a. **Figure 2** is a structure of an element that is composed of 4 atoms to make a molecule.

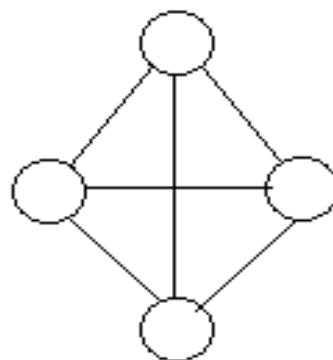


Figure 2

i. Identify the element with the structure above.

(1 mark)

ii. State **two** allotropes of the element.

(2 marks)

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iii. Mention **one** agricultural importance of the element.

(1 mark)

b. State **two** methods of removing permanent water hardness.

(2 marks)

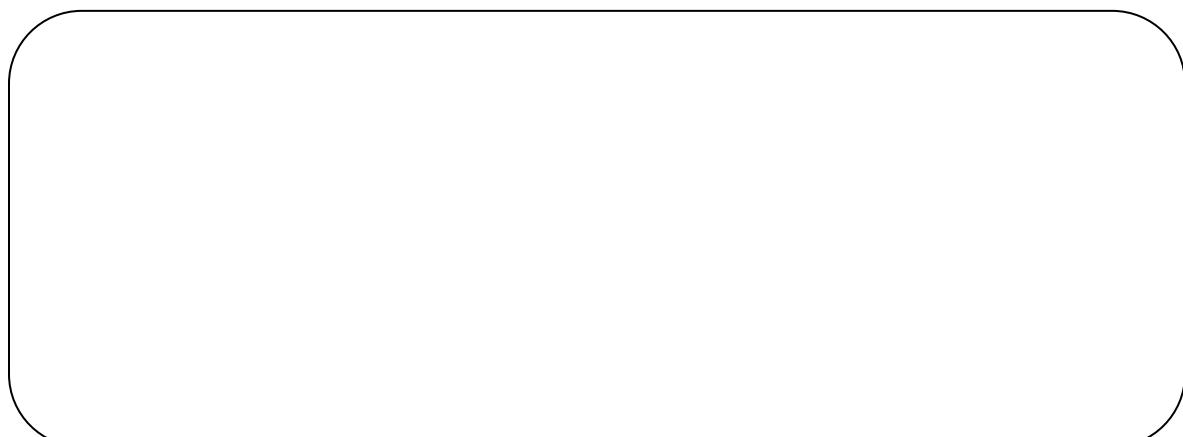
c. Explain how the car manufacturing industry contributes to global warming.

(2 marks)

5. a. Define molarity.

(1 mark)

b. A 0.9g tablet of a drug with a molecular formula **C₉H₈O** was completely dissolved in 10ml of water. Calculate the concentration of the solution in **moles per litre**. (RAM: C = 12, H = 1, O = 16).



(4 marks)

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5. (Continued)...

- c. Work out the molecular formula of a hydrocarbon which has a carbon to hydrogen ratio of 1:1 and its relative formula mass is 78. (RAM: C = 12, H = 1)

(4 marks)

6. a. Define enthalpy change.

(1 mark)

- b. Draw an energy level diagram for the following equation.



(4 marks)

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7. a. Give any **two** sources of alkanoates.

(2 marks)

- b. Draw the structure of a secondary alkanol with 3 carbon atoms.

(1 mark)

- c. **Figure 3** shows a flow diagram of soap making process.

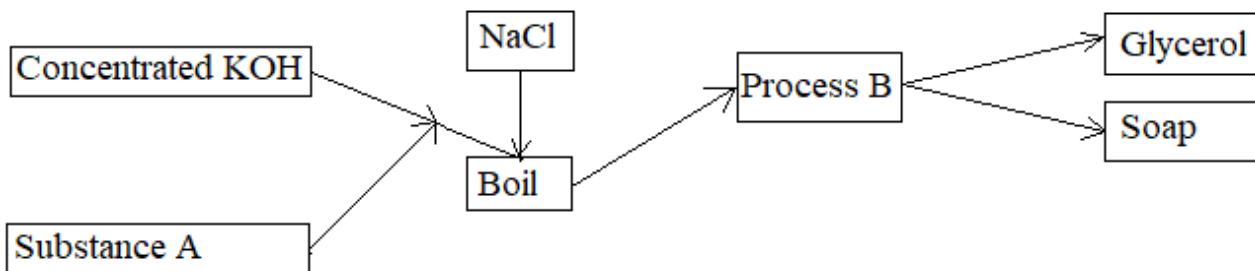


Figure 3

- i. Name the homologous series of substance A.

(1 mark)

- ii. Why is process B necessary in soap making?

(1 mark)

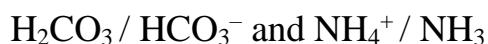
- d. Write the condensed formulae of any **two** isomers of an alkanol with a molecular formula C₄H₉OH.

(2 marks)

8. a. Give **two** examples of acidic oxides.

(2 marks)

- b. Below are conjugate acid – base pairs for a chemical reaction between an acid and a base.



Write an equation for the reaction using the conjugate acid – base pairs above.

(2 marks)

- c. State any **two** benefits of recycling wastes.

(2 marks)

9. **Table 1** shows boiling points of some chlorides which are represented by letters A, B, C, D and E. Use it to answer questions 9 a (i) and (ii).

Table 1

Chloride	Boiling point
A	98
B	-80
C	50
D	1380
E	98

9. (Continued/...)

a. i. Which **two** chlorides are ionic compounds?

(2 marks)

ii. Which of the compounds is hydrogen chloride gas?

(1 mark)

b. Explain why preparation of composite manure is one way of solid waste disposal.

(2 marks)

c. i. Define allotropy.

(1 mark)

ii. State **two** allotropes of oxygen.

(2 marks)

10. a. Using dot and cross diagrams, explain the difference between pure and dative covalent bonding.

(4 marks)

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- b. With the aid of relevant chemical equations, describe preparation of ethanoic acid by oxidation of ethanol.

(5 marks)

SECTION B (30 marks)

Answer **all** the questions in this section in the spaces provided.

11. a. Describe how ammonia is produced in industries by the Haber process.

(6 marks)

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- b. Explain how rusting of iron metal can be prevented by galvanizing.

(4 marks)

12. With the aid of a flow diagram, describe how methanol, ethanal and propanone could be identified using 2,4 – DNPH and Tollens reagents.

(10 marks)

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13. Describe how pure and dry crystals of Copper (II) sulphate can be prepared from Copper oxide and dilute Sulphuric acid.

(10 marks)

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