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B.Sc. (Chemistry) First Semester Examination, 1999
First Year

C 169 CHEMISTRY PRACTICALS

JANUARY 1999 TWO AND A HALF HOURS

Answer all questions.

1. (a) State and describe the technique you would use to extract oil from orange peels.
- (b) Briefly describe the technique of thin layer chromatography (TLC).
- (c) State the chromatographic method you would use to separate or identify
- (i) a mixture of amino acids
 - (ii) a mixture of dyes
 - (iii) a mixture of acetylene and carbon (iv) oxide
- (d) A compound W migrates 7.5 cm from the point of application on a TLC plate when at the same time, the solvent front migrates 16.0 cm beyond the point of sample application.
- (i) Calculate the R_f for the compound
 - (ii) On an identical plate, the solvent front moved 14.0 cm beyond the point of sample application. Where should the compound W be located on the plate?
2. (a) Give six safety guidelines that have to be followed at all times to minimize the chances of accidents in the laboratory.
- (b) Distinguish between TC and TD on laboratory glassware.
- (c) Explain why volume may not be conserved for solution mixtures.
- (d) Briefly explain the basis of the Hess's Law.
- (e) Distinguish between order and molecularity.
- (f) When a mixture of silver metal and sulphur is heated, silver sulphide is formed.

