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for the guidance of teachers**

**9701 CHEMISTRY**

**9701/31**

Paper 3 (Advanced Practical Skills), maximum raw mark 40

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Question	Sections	Indicative material	Mark	
1 (a)	PDO layout	<b>I</b> Volume given for Rough titre <b>and</b> accurate titre details tabulated.	1	
	MMO Collection	<b>II</b> In the correct spaces, records Initial and final burette readings for Rough titre <b>and</b> ; Initial and final burette readings <b>and</b> , volume of <b>FB 2</b> added recorded for each accurate titre <i>Headings should match readings.</i> <i>Do <b>not</b> award this mark if:</i> <i>50(.00) is used as an initial burette reading;</i> <i>More than one final burette reading is 50.(00);</i> <i>Any burette reading is greater than 50.(00)</i>	1	
	MMO Decisions	<b>III</b> Has two uncorrected, accurate titres within $0.1 \text{ cm}^3$ <i>Do <b>not</b> award this mark if having performed two titres within <math>0.1 \text{ cm}^3</math> a further titration is performed which is more than <math>0.10 \text{ cm}^3</math> from the closer of the initial <b>two</b> titres, unless a fourth titration, within <math>0.1 \text{ cm}^3</math> of the third titration or of the first two titres has also been carried out.</i>	1	
	PDO Recording	<b>IV</b> All accurate burette readings (initial and final) recorded to nearest $0.05 \text{ cm}^3$ . <i>Assessed on burette readings only.</i>	1	
	MMO Quality	<b>V, VI and VII</b> Round any burette readings to the nearest $0.05 \text{ cm}^3$ Check and correct subtractions in the titre table. <b>Select the “best” titre using the hierarchy:</b> two identical; titres within $0.05 \text{ cm}^3$ , titres within $0.10 \text{ cm}^3$ etc.  Award <b><u>V, VI and VII</u></b> for a difference to Supervisor within $0.20 \text{ cm}^3$  Award <b><u>V and VI only</u></b> for a difference of $0.20+ \text{ cm}^3 - 0.40 \text{ cm}^3$  Award <b><u>V only</u></b> for a difference of $0.40+ \text{ cm}^3 - 0.80 \text{ cm}^3$ <i>If the selected “best” titres are <math>&gt; 0.50 \text{ cm}^3</math> apart, cancel one of the Q marks awarded.</i>	3	
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(d)	ACE Interpretation	<p>Gives <math>0.1(0) \text{ cm}^3</math> as the maximum error in (i).  <i>Ignore any sign</i>  <b>and</b>  the expression <math>\frac{0.1}{\text{cand titre in (b)}} \times 100</math> in (ii)</p>	1	[2]
		<p>Evaluates <math>\frac{0.06}{25.0} \times 100</math> in step (iii)  <i>Accept only 0.240 or 0.24,</i>  <b>or</b>  rounded to 0.2 <b>provided</b> 0.24 has been seen in the working.</p>	1	
	[Total: 15]			

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2	(a)	<p>PDO Layout</p> <p>PDO Recording</p> <p>MMO Decisions</p> <p>MMO Quality</p>	<p><b>I</b> Records at least <b>four</b> different balance readings and at least one mass of solid/gas <i>Accept 0.0(0X) g as the mass of the empty tube or a statement that the tube is tared.</i></p> <p><b>II</b> Gives all appropriate headings and units when recording results. <i>Do <b>not</b> accept mass of empty tube as 0.0(00)g here unless tube is described as tared.</i> <i>(minimum of three pieces of information)</i></p> <p><b>III</b> All recorded balance readings consistent to at least 1 decimal place. <i>(minimum of <b>three</b> balance readings)</i></p> <p><b>IV</b> Evidence of reheating to “constant” mass. For balances reading to 1 d.p. two masses must be identical For 2 or 3 d.p. balances, two masses must be within 0.05 g</p> <p><b>V and VI</b> Check and correct all subtractions in the results table. Calculate <math>\frac{\text{mass heated}}{\text{mass of residue}}</math> to 3 significant figures. Compare to <b>Supervisor standard or standard value of 1.45.</b>  Award <b><u>V and VI</u></b> for a difference up to 0.15  Award <b><u>V only</u></b> for a difference of 0.15+ to 0.30  <i>Where a candidate repeats the experiment use cumulative masses of <b>FA 3</b> and residue.</i> <i>Where masses of <b>FA 3</b> and residue cannot be checked, accept candidate values to calculate the ratio.</i></p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p>	
	(b)	<p>ACE Interpretation</p>	<p>Evaluates <math>\frac{\text{cand mass loss from (a)}}{\text{cand mass of FA 3}}</math>  correct to 2–4 significant figures. <i>Where mass loss or mass of <b>FA 3</b> is not given in (a), check, from balance readings, the values.</i> <i>A candidate who incorrectly describes the mass of the residue as the mass loss in tabulated results in (a) may “correct” the error and use the correct mass loss here.</i></p>	1	

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FA 4 is $Al_2(SO_4)_3(aq)$ ; FA 5 is $ZnSO_4(aq)$ ; FA 6 is $Pb(NO_3)_2(aq)$ ; FA 7 is $MgSO_4(aq)$				
3 (a)	MMO Collection	1 mark for correct observations in <b>each</b> of the vertical columns. <b>or</b> 1 mark for correct observations in <b>each</b> of the horizontal rows (i), (ii) and (iii). <b>3 mark maximum</b> <b>Mark the section by the method which gives the better mark.</b>	4	[4]

test		observations			
		FA 4	FA 5	FA 6	FA 7
(i)	addition of NaOH	white ppt	white ppt	white ppt	white ppt
	further addition of NaOH	ppt soluble	ppt soluble	ppt soluble	ppt insoluble
(ii)	addition of $NH_3$	white ppt	white ppt	white ppt	white ppt
	further addition of $NH_3$	ppt insoluble	ppt soluble	ppt insoluble	ppt insoluble
(iii)	addition of KI	no ppt, no reaction, colourless or yellow solution	no ppt, no reaction, colourless or yellow solution	yellow ppt	no ppt, no reaction, colourless or yellow solution

Minimum evidence required in observations for the ion identity marks **I, II and III** in (b)

In some cases, identification may be allowed from incomplete observations. There must, however, be no observations that are contrary to those expected with any “correctly” identified ion.

The same criteria will be applied to “candidate’s supporting evidence in awarding mark **IV**. Candidates are not permitted to introduce (from the Qualitative Analysis Notes) supporting evidence that is not given in the observations. Precipitate colour need not be mentioned in supporting evidence.

$Al^{3+}$	(white) precipitate, soluble in (excess) NaOH, if yellow ppt with KI
$Zn^{2+}$	(white) precipitate, soluble in (excess) $NH_3(aq)$
$Pb^{2+}$	Yellow precipitate with KI
$Mg^{2+}$	(white) precipitate, insoluble in (excess) NaOH



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FA 8 is CuSO <sub>4</sub> (aq)					
(d)	MMO Collection	I	Records blue colour of solution fading/disappearing on adding zinc powder in (i) <i>If no reaction with Zn(s) is reported <b>do not allow</b> blue to light blue solution.</i>	1	
		II	Records a temperature rise in (i) <i>Accept reaction is exothermic/produces heat</i>	1	
		III	Records a red-brown, orange-brown, brown or black solid in (i)	1	
		IV	Observes a green, lime green, fluorescent green or yellow-green <b>solution</b> in (ii)	1	
		V	Observes <b>solution</b> turning blue, <b>or</b> blue solution in (iii) if solution green in (ii) <b>or</b> solution going towards blue in colour on adding water in (iii)  If <b>solution</b> is not mentioned in (ii) or (iii) but colours are correct – award point <b>V only</b> .	1	[5]
(e)	ACE Conclusions	Completes the equation: → Cu(s) + Zn <sup>2+</sup> (aq) State symbols required		1	[1]
					[Total: 15]