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Paper 3 Advanced Practical Skills 1

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You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: The materials and apparatus listed in the confidential instructions

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer all questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.
- You should show all your working, use appropriate units and use an appropriate number of significant figures.
- Give details of the practical session and laboratory, where appropriate, in the boxes provided.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The Periodic Table is printed in the question paper.
- Notes for use in qualitative analysis are provided in the question paper.

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Quantitative analysis

Read through the whole method before starting any practical work. Where appropriate, prepare a table for your results in the space provided.

Show your working and appropriate significant figures in the final answer to each step of your calculations.

1 Iron(II) sulfate crystals, $FeSO_4 \cdot xH_2O$, contain water of crystallisation. You will carry out a titration to determine the value of x in the formula, where x is an integer. A solution containing a known mass of the crystals will be titrated with acidified aqueous potassium manganate(VII) of known concentration.

$$5Fe^{2+}(aq) + MnO_4^{-}(aq) + 8H^{+}(aq) \rightarrow 5Fe^{3+}(aq) + Mn^{2+}(aq) + 4H_2O(I)$$

FA 1 contains 26.52 g dm⁻³ of hydrated iron(II) sulfate, FeSO₄•xH₂O.

FA 2 is 0.0200 mol dm⁻³ potassium manganate(VII), KMnO₄.

FA 3 is dilute sulfuric acid, H₂SO₄.

(a) Method

- Fill the burette with **FA 2**.
- Pipette 25.0 cm³ of **FA 1** into a conical flask.
- Use the 25 cm³ measuring cylinder to transfer 25 cm³ of **FA 3** into the same conical flask.
- Carry out a rough titration and record your burette readings in the space below.

The rough	titre	is		cm³
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- Carry out as many accurate titrations as you think necessary to obtain consistent results.
- Make sure any recorded results show the accuracy of your practical work.
- Record in a suitable form below all your burette readings and the volume of **FA 2** added in each accurate titration.

Keep FA 1 for use in Question 3.

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(b)	b) From your accurate titration results, obtain a suitable value to be used in your calculations. Show clearly how you obtained this value.		
		25.0 cm ³ of EA.4 required cm ³ of EA.2 [4]	
		25.0 cm ³ of FA 1 required cm ³ of FA 2 . [1]	
(c)	Cal	culations	
	(i)	Give your answers to (c)(ii) , (c)(iii) and (c)(iv) to an appropriate number of significant figures.	
	(ii)	Calculate the number of moles of potassium manganate (VII) present in the volume of $\textbf{FA 2}$ calculated in $\textbf{(b)}.$	
		moles of KMnO ₄ = mol [1]	
	(iii)	Calculate the number of moles of iron(II) sulfate present in 1.00 dm³ of FA 1 .	
		moles of $FeSO_4 = \dots mol$ [1]	
((iv)	Calculate the mass of iron(II) sulfate present in 1.00 dm³ of FA 1 .	
		mass of FeSO ₄ = g [1]	
	(v)	Calculate the value of x in FeSO ₄ • x H ₂ O.	
		x =[2]	

(d)	Iron(II) sulfate in solution is readily oxidised by air to form $Iron(III)$ sulfate.			
	State the effect, on the value of x calculated in $(c)(v)$, if some of your sample of FA 1 had oxidised before you carried out the titration. Explain your answer.			
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2 In Question 1 you used a titration method to determine the value of x in a hydrated salt. In Question 2 you will use a gravimetric method. In this method a sample of solid is heated to remove the water of crystallisation.

You will carry out this method on a different hydrated compound, **FA 4**, with formula $MZ \cdot yH_2O$. In **FA 4** the value of y is an integer.

$$MZ \cdot yH_2O(s) \rightarrow MZ(s) + yH_2O(g)$$

FA 4 is a hydrated compound, MZ•yH₂O.

(a) Method

Results

- Weigh the crucible with its lid. Record the mass.
- Place between 2.40 g and 2.60 g of FA 4 in the crucible and record its appearance below.
- Weigh the crucible, its lid and contents and record the mass.
- Without the lid, place the crucible on the pipe-clay triangle and heat gently for approximately one minute and record your observations.
- Then heat more strongly for approximately four minutes.
- Place the lid on the crucible and leave it to cool.

You may wish to start Question 3 while you are waiting for the crucible to cool.

- Weigh the crucible, its lid and contents and record the mass.
- Calculate and record the mass of FA 4, the mass of residue after heating and the mass of water lost.

Keep FA 4 for use in Question 3.

appearance of FA 4
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observations during heating for the first minute
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(b)	Calculations		
	(i)	Calculate the n	

	(i)	Calculate the number of moles of water lost when your sample of MZ•yH ₂ O was heated.
		moles of water = mol The relative formula mass of the anhydrous compound MZ is 120.4.
		Calculate the number of moles of MZ present in the residue.
		moles of MZ = mol [1]
(ii)	Use your answers from (b)(i) to calculate the value of <i>y</i> in FA 4 , MZ• <i>y</i> H ₂ O. Show your working.
		<i>y</i> = [1]
(i	ii)	State an assumption you made when calculating the value of <i>y</i> in the hydrated compound.
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		tudent suggested that the experiment would be more accurate if the crucible had been ted with the lid on for the first minute.
	Sta	te and explain whether you agree with the student.
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Qualitative analysis

Where reagents are selected for use in a test, the **name** or **correct formula** of the element or compound must be given.

At each stage of any test you are to record details of the following:

- colour changes seen
- the formation of any precipitate and its solubility in an excess of the reagent added
- the formation of any gas and its identification by a suitable test.

You should indicate clearly at what stage in a test a change occurs.

If any solution is warmed, a **boiling tube** must be used.

Rinse and reuse test-tubes and boiling tubes where possible.

No additional tests for ions present should be attempted.

- **3** (a) Aqueous ammonium thiocyanate reacts with aqueous iron(III) ions to form an orange or red coloured compound. Iron(II) ions do not react in this way. The darker the orange or red colour, the more iron(III) ions are present in the solution.
 - (i) For each test use a 1 cm depth of **FA 1** in a test-tube. Record all your observations.

test	observations
Test 1 Add a few drops of aqueous ammonium thiocyanate.	
Test 2 Add a few drops of aqueous sodium hydroxide and leave for at least two minutes, then	
add dilute sulfuric acid dropwise until there is no further change, then	
add a few drops of aqueous ammonium thiocyanate.	

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(ii)	Suggest a reason for any difference in observation when you added aqueous ammonium thiocyanate in Test 2 compared with Test 1 . Your answer should refer to the type of reaction that occurred in Test 2 .	ous
		[2]
(iii)	The charge on the thiocyanate ion, SCN⁻, is −1.	
	Determine the formula of ammonium thiocyanate.	
		[1]
(iv)	A solution containing Fe ²⁺ reacts with aqueous ammonia to form a green precipitate.	
	Write the ionic equation for this reaction. Include state symbols.	
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(b)		4 contains one cation and one anion, both of which are listed in the Qualitative Analysis es. The anion in FA 4 contains sulfur.
	(i)	Carry out appropriate tests to allow you to identify the cation and anion in FA 4.
		Record each test and your observations in a suitable form below.
		c=1
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	(ii)	Give the formula of the ions present in FA 4 .
		cation

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Qualitative analysis notes

1 Reactions of aqueous cations

ion	reaction with								
ion	NaOH(aq)	NH₃(aq)							
aluminium, Al³+(aq)	white ppt. soluble in excess	white ppt. insoluble in excess							
ammonium, NH₄⁺(aq)	no ppt. ammonia produced on heating	_							
barium, Ba²+(aq)	faint white ppt. is nearly always observed unless reagents are pure	no ppt.							
calcium, Ca²+(aq)	white ppt. with high [Ca²+(aq)]	no ppt.							
chromium(III), Cr³+(aq)	grey-green ppt. soluble in excess	grey-green ppt. insoluble in excess							
copper(II), Cu²+(aq)	pale blue ppt. insoluble in excess	pale blue ppt. soluble in excess giving dark blue solution							
iron(II), Fe ²⁺ (aq)	green ppt. turning brown on contact with air insoluble in excess	green ppt. turning brown on contact with air insoluble in excess							
iron(III), Fe³+(aq)	red-brown ppt. insoluble in excess	red-brown ppt. insoluble in excess							
magnesium, Mg²+(aq)	white ppt. insoluble in excess	white ppt. insoluble in excess							
manganese(II), Mn²+(aq)	off-white ppt. rapidly turning brown on contact with air insoluble in excess	off-white ppt. rapidly turning brown on contact with air insoluble in excess							
zinc, Zn²+(aq)	white ppt. soluble in excess	white ppt. soluble in excess							

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2 Reactions of anions

ion	reaction
carbonate, CO ₃ ²⁻	CO ₂ liberated by dilute acids
chloride, C <i>l</i> ⁻ (aq)	gives white ppt. with Ag ⁺ (aq) (soluble in NH ₃ (aq))
bromide, Br ⁻ (aq)	gives cream ppt. with Ag⁺(aq) (partially soluble in NH₃(aq))
iodide, I ⁻ (aq)	gives yellow ppt. with Ag ⁺ (aq) (insoluble in NH ₃ (aq))
nitrate, NO ₃ ⁻ (aq)	NH ₃ liberated on heating with OH ⁻ (aq) and A <i>l</i> foil
nitrite, NO ₂ ⁻ (aq)	NH ₃ liberated on heating with OH ⁻ (aq) and A <i>l</i> foil
sulfate, SO ₄ ²⁻ (aq)	gives white ppt. with Ba²⁺(aq) (insoluble in excess dilute strong acids)
sulfite, SO ₃ ²⁻ (aq)	gives white ppt. with Ba²⁺(aq) (soluble in excess dilute strong acids)

3 Tests for gases

gas	test and test result					
ammonia, NH ₃	turns damp red litmus paper blue					
carbon dioxide, CO ₂	gives a white ppt. with limewater (ppt. dissolves with excess CO ₂)					
chlorine, Cl ₂	bleaches damp litmus paper					
hydrogen, H ₂	'pops' with a lighted splint					
oxygen, O ₂	relights a glowing splint					

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The Periodic Table of Elements

	18	2	He	helium 4.0	10	Ne	neon 20.2	18	Ā	argon 39.9	36	궃	krypton 83.8	54	Xe	xenon 131.3	98	R	radon			
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	16				8	0	oxygen 16.0	16	ഗ	sulfur 32.1	34	Se	selenium 79.0	52	<u>e</u>	tellurium 127.6	84	Ъ	polonium	116		livermorium -
	15				7	z	nitrogen 14.0	15	۵	phosphorus 31.0	33	As	arsenic 74.9	51	Sp	antimony 121.8	83	B	bismuth 209.0			
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88 F	167.3	100	Fm	fermium	ı
67 Holmium	164.9	66	Es	einsteinium	ı
e6 Dy dysprosium	162.5	86	Č	californium	ı
65 Tb	158.9	97	Ř	berkelium	1
Gd Gd	157.3	96	Cm	curium	ı
63 Eu	152.0	92	Am	americium	ı
Sm Smarrium	150.4	94	Pn	plutonium	ı
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