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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your name and index number in the spaces provided above.

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You should have a Scientific Calculator (battery operated) for this examination.

This paper consists of TWO Sections: A and B.

Answer ALL the questions in Section A and any TWO questions from Section B in the spaces provided in this questions paper.

Each question in Section A carries 4 marks while each question in Section B carries 20 marks.

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Candidates should answer the questions in English.

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Section	Question	Candidate's Score	Maximum Score
A	1 - 15	60	
B		20	
		20	
Total Score		100	

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SECTION A: (60 marks)

Answer ALL the questions in this Section in the spaces provided.

1. State **four** properties of a wash liquid used in gravimetric analysis. (4 marks)

2. (a) Calculate the number of faradays needed to produce 4 g of magnesium when a current of 4 A is passed through molten magnesium chloride. ($Mg = 24$). (2 marks)

- (b) Calculate the time taken for the 4 g of magnesium to be produced in (a) above. ($IF = 96,500C$). (2 marks)

3. Outline the working principles of an acid buffer. (4 marks)



4. (a) Calculate the pH of a 0.05 M HCl. (3 marks)

(b) State the assumption made during the calculation in (a) above. (1 mark)

5. State **four** requirements of an ideal primary standard. (4 marks)

6. (a) State the Beer-Lamberts law. (2 marks)



(b) State any **two** causes of deviation from Beer-Lamberts Law. (2 marks)

7. (a) Define the term R_f value as used in chromatographic separations. (2 marks)

(b) List any **two** factors which affect R_f values. (2 marks)

8. List any **four** types of proximate analysis. (4 marks)

9. Name **four** major steps involved in gravimetric analysis. (4 marks)



10. Calculate the amount of potassium chloride needed to produce 500 ppm potassium ions in a 500 ml volumetric flask. ($K = 39$, $Cl = 35.5$). (4 marks)

11. List any **four** advantages of Thin Layer Chromatography over Paper Chromatography. (4 marks)

12. Outline the basic principles involved in steam distillation. (4 marks)

13. List any **four** methods of sample storage. (4 marks)



14. Draw a labelled diagram of gravity filtration technique. (4 marks)

15. Calculate the amount of sodium carbonate (Na_2CO_3) needed to prepare 500 cm^3 of 0.15 M solution from the pure salt. ($\text{Na} = 23$, $\text{C} = 12$, $\text{O} = 16$). (4 marks)

SECTION B: (40 marks)

Answer any **TWO** questions from this Section in the spaces provided after question 19.

16. (a) State the law of independent migration of ions. (2 marks)
- (b) Table I below shows molar conductivity of a given electrolyte at 25°C, at different concentrations:

Table I

Concentration (mol/litre)	0.05	0.01	0.005	0.001	0.0005
Molar conductivity ($\text{s cm}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}$)	100	107	109	112	113

- (i) Convert the concentrations into dilution. (5 marks)
- (ii) Plot a graph of Molar conductivity against dilution and use it to determine the Molar conductivity of the electrolyte at infinite dilution. (4 marks)
- (c) The resistance of a conductance cell containing 0.1 Mol dm^{-3} potassium chloride solution at 25°C is 47.9Ω . If the same cell contains potassium nitrate solution of concentration 0.02 Mol dm^{-3} the resistance is 254Ω . The conductivity of the potassium chloride solution is $0.013 \Omega^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$, calculate:
- (i) cell constant; (4 marks)
- (ii) electrolytic conductivity of potassium nitrate; (2 marks)
- (iii) Molar conductivity of potassium nitrate at given concentration. (3 marks)
17. (a) Using sketches, explain why absorbance values are preferred in calibration plots compared to % transmittance values. (4 marks)
- (b) A solution containing 5 mg in 250 cm^3 of compound X had a transmittance of 36.4% in a 1 cm cell at 525 nm. If the RMM of X is 200, calculate its Molar absorptivity. (7 marks)
- (c) The following data (table II) were obtained during the determination of certain drug by uv spectrophotometry.

Table II

Standard solution	Concentration (Mol dm^{-3})	% T
A	40×10^{-5}	17.9
B	32×10^{-5}	25.0
C	24×10^{-5}	35.7
D	16×10^{-5}	50.2
E	8×10^{-5}	70.8



- (i) Plot a graph of absorbance against concentration. (8 marks)
- (ii) Obtain the concentration of a sample of the drug whose absorbance was 0.55 in the same cell from the graph. (1 mark)
18. (a) 21.4 g of hydrated sodium carbonate $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot X \text{H}_2\text{O}$ was dissolved in water to make up a litre of solution. 25 cm^3 of this solution required 18.7 cm^3 of 0.2 M standard hydrochloric acid for complete neutralization. Calculate the value of X. (16 marks)
($\text{Na} = 23, \text{C} = 12, \text{O} = 16, \text{H} = 1$).
- (b) Name **four** types of titrimetric analysis. (4 marks)
19. (a) The freezing point of pure solvent X is 30°C . Calculate the temperature at which a solution containing 2 g of oxalic acid and $(\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O})$ per 100 g of X will freeze. (8 marks)
(K_f for solvent X = $5.5^\circ\text{C Mol}^{-1}\text{kg}^{-1}$, $\text{C} = 12, \text{O} = 16, \text{H} = 1$).
- (b) State the distribution law. (2 marks)
- (c) Describe the process of batch extractions and state why it is preferred to single stage extraction. (4 marks)
- (d) The distribution coefficient for compound X between water and chloroform is 6.4. Calculate the fraction of X remaining in the water layer when 25 ml portion are shaken with:
- (i) **one** 10 ml portion of chloroform; (3 marks)
- (ii) **two** successive 10 ml portions of chloroform. (3 marks)



