



NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED CHEMISTRY
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ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY I– SCH 1206
TIME: (3) THREE HOURS

MATERIAL
Periodic Table

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES
Answer any FOUR questions in this paper
Each question carries 25 marks

1. (a) Explain the difference between:
- (i) Random and systematic error
 - (ii) Homogeneous and inhomogeneous
 - (iii) Mean and median
 - (iv) Accuracy and precision
 - (v) Sample and replicate [15 marks]
- (b) The following determinations were made of the atomic weight of carbon: 12,0080, 12,0095, 12,0097, 12,0101; 12,0102; 12,0106, 12,0111, 12,013, 12,0118, and 12,0120. Calculate:
- (i) the arithmetic mean,
 - (ii) the standard deviation,
 - (iii) the standard deviation of the mean,
 - (iv) the 99 percent confidence limits of the mean. [10 marks]
2. (a) Define the following:
- (i) normality
 - (ii) molarity
 - (iii) equivalent weight
 - (iv) ionic strength
 - (iv) activity coefficient [10 marks]

- (b) Calculate the volume of 10 M HCl acid which must be added to 300cm³ of 0.15 M NH₃(aq) to give a buffer solution with a pH of 8.22.
K_b for NH₃ = 1.8 x 10⁻⁵. [8 marks]
- (c) 2 mols of O₂ and 2 mols of SO₂ are placed in a 1 dm³ container and allowed to come to equilibrium:

$$2\text{SO}_2 + \text{O}_2 \rightleftharpoons 2\text{SO}_3 \quad (\text{all gases})$$
The total pressure is 10 atm. If the number of mols of O₂ at equilibrium is 1.5, calculate K_p at the same temperature. [7 marks]
3. (a) Define solubility product. [2 marks]
- (b) Explain the common ion effect in details (examples of reactions may be used for clarity) [6 marks]
- (c) Calculate the solubility of Fe(OH)₂ at 25°C, given that K_{sp} for Fe(OH)₂ is 1.6 x 10⁻¹⁴ mol dm⁻³ at this temperature. [6 marks]
- (e) For the equilibrium $\text{CaSO}_4(\text{s}) + \text{aq} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ca}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + \text{SO}_4^{2-}(\text{aq})$,
K_{sp} = 2.0 x 10⁻⁵ mol² dm⁻⁶
- (i) What is the solubility of calcium sulphate in a saturated solution of the salt in g cm⁻³? [5 marks]
- (f) Calculate the solubility of Ba(IO₃)₂ in a solution prepared by mixing 200 mL of 0.0100 M Ba(NO₃)₂ with 100 mL of 0.100 M NaIO₃. K_{sp} of Ba(IO₃)₂ = 1.57 x 10⁻⁹ [6 marks]
4. (a) What is a buffer and what do you understand from the term buffer capacity. [6 marks]
- (b) Define the terms a Bronsted-Lowry acid and the conjugate base of a Bronsted-Lowry acid [5 marks]
- (c) Consider the curves for the titration of 0.1M NaOH and 0.01M NH₃ with 0.10M HCl
- (i) Briefly account for the differences between the curves for the titrations [8 marks]
- (ii) In what respect will the two curves be indistinguishable. [6 marks]

5. (a) From a weak acid/conjugate base buffer system, $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}/\text{CH}_3\text{COONa}$ in an aqueous solution show that:

$$\text{pH} = \text{p}K_{\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}} + \log \frac{[\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-]}{[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}]}$$

[7 marks]

- (b) Which form of EDTA is used in preparing a titration solution? Why is a solution containing a metal ion buffered before titrating with EDTA?
[5 marks]
- (c) Calculate the volume of 0.0500 M EDTA needed to titrate:
(i) 26.37 mL of 0.0741 M in $\text{Mg}(\text{NO}_3)_2$.
(ii) the Ca and Mg in a 0.1557 g sample that is 92.5% dolomite, CaCO_3 - MgCO_3 (184.4g/mol)
[6 marks]
- (d) Calculate the hydronium ion concentration in 0.120M nitrous acid. The principal equilibrium is $\text{HNO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ + \text{NO}_2^-$ ($K_a = 7.1 \times 10^{-4}$)
[7 marks]

End of paper!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!