



Quality Assessment Tasks

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VCE CHEMISTRY

Practice Written Examination

Reading time: 15 minutes

Writing time: 2 hours 30 minutes

QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOKLET

<i>Section</i>	<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Number of marks</i>
A	30		30
B	11		100
			Total 130

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- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or white out liquid/tape.

Materials supplied

- Question and answer book of 32 pages.
- A Data Book.
- Answer sheet for multiple choice questions.

Instructions

- Write your **student name** in the space provided above on this page.
- Check that your **name** is printed on your answer sheet for multiple-choice questions.
- All written responses must be in English.

At the end of the examination

- Place the answer sheet for multiple-choice questions inside the front cover of this book.
- You may keep the data book.

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SECTION A - Multiple-choice questions**Instructions for Section A**

Answer **all** questions in pencil on the answer sheet provided for multiple-choice questions.

Choose the response that is **correct** or that **best answers** the question.

A correct answer scores 1, an incorrect answer scores 0.

Marks will **not** be deducted for incorrect answers.

No marks will be given if more than one answer is completed for any question.

Question 1

Identify which of the following 1M acid solutions has the least number of conjugate ions present.

- A. HF
- B. HCl
- C. HNO₂
- D. HCN

Question 2

Ethanoic acid (CH₃COOH) is a weak acid. Hydrochloric acid (HCl) and sulfuric acid (H₂SO₄) are strong acids.

10.00mL solutions of 0.10M concentration of each of the three acids were separately titrated with a 0.10M solution of sodium hydroxide (NaOH)

To react completely

- A. the same amount of NaOH would be used for all three acids
- B. more NaOH would be needed for HCl than CH₃COOH but less than H₂SO₄
- C. the same amount of NaOH would be used for HCl and H₂SO₄ but less would be needed for CH₃COOH
- D. the same amount of NaOH would be needed for HCl and CH₃COOH but H₂SO₄ would require more.

Question 3

Which of the following contain empirical formulae only?

- A. CH₄, C₂H₆, C₆H₅CH₃, CH₃COOH
- B. HNO₃, Fe₂(SO₄)₃, C₆H₅CH₃, CH₃Cl
- C. CH₃OH, C₂H₆O, CuSO₄·5H₂O, C₆H₁₂O₆
- D. C₄H₈, CCl₄, Mg(OH)₂, K₂Cr₂O₇

Question 4

Which one of the following fertilisers has the least percentage by mass of nitrogen (N)?

- A. Ammonium sulphate
- B. Ammonium nitrate
- C. Ammonium phosphate
- D. Urea (NH₂)₂CO

Question 5

A sample of chlorine (M_r = 71.0) has a mass of 21.1 g and occupies a volume of 9 L.

Which of the following values can be determined for the sample of chlorine?

I amount

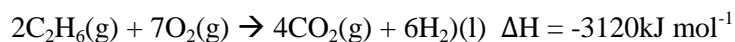
II %w/v

III density

- A. I only
- B. I and II
- C. I, II and III
- D. I and III

Question 6

Ethane gas undergoes complete combustion according to the following equation



Which of the following quantities of ethane will release 637 kJ of energy?

- A. 3.00 mol
- B. 100 g
- C. 10.0 L at SLC
- D. 2.408×10^{23} atoms

Question 7

A number of analytical techniques can be used to measure the concentration of sodium chloride in seawater.

Which of the following methods cannot be used?

I gravimetric analysis

II flame tests

III atomic absorption spectroscopy

IV High Performance Liquid Chromatography.

- A. I and II
- B. II and III
- C. III and IV
- D. II and IV

Question 8

The salt content of a sample of chicken noodle soup was determined using gravimetric analysis. A precipitate of silver chloride was produced, dried and weighed.

Systematic errors that may occur in this analysis include:

I some precipitate remained in the reaction flask after the filtration process

II the precipitate was not dried and weighed until a constant mass was obtained

III the precipitate was not rinsed with deionised water before it was weighed

IV the precipitate was rinsed with excess deionised water.

Which of these errors would cause an overestimate in the mass of silver chloride present in the sample?

- A. I only
- B. II and III
- C. I and IV
- D. II only

Question 9

When a lead acid battery is recharging

- A. the concentration of sulphuric acid electrolyte is decreasing
- B. the pH of the electrolyte is increasing
- C. the pH of the electrolyte is decreasing
- D. the concentration of the sulphuric acid is the same concentration as when discharging.

Question 10

The addition of a catalyst to a chemical reaction

- A. lowers the value of the enthalpy change for the forward reaction only
- B. lowers the value of the enthalpy for the forward reaction only
- C. lowers the chemical energy of the reactants
- D. lowers the activation energy required for the reaction to occur.

Question 11

The volume of 2.00 M HCl that must be diluted to make 200mL of 0.010M HCl is

- A. 0.10L
- B. 10.0mL
- C. 10.0 μ L
- D. 1.00 mL

Question 12

A student carried out a titration to determine the exact concentration of HCl using a standard solution of sodium carbonate. Using a pipette, a 20.00 mL aliquot of sodium carbonate was transferred to a 250mL conical flask. Prior to using the pipette, each time prior to obtaining an aliquot of sodium carbonate the final rinsing was with distilled water.

This would result in the student's calculation of the concentration of the HCl

- A. underestimated
- B. overestimated
- C. have no effect on the estimated HCl concentration
- D. with repeated trials, reduce the systematic errors, minimising the effect on the result.

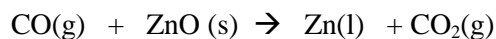
Question 13

The concentration of Na^+ ions in 100 mL of 0.0500 M Na_2CO_3 solution, in g L^{-1} is

- A. 1.15
- B. 0.115
- C. 2.30
- D. 0.230

Question 14

Zinc can be produced industrially by a redox reaction using carbon monoxide.

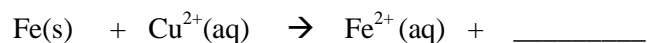


During this reaction the oxidation number of zinc changes from

- A. +2 to 0, and CO is the reductant
- B. +2 to 0, and CO is the oxidant
- C. 0 to +2, and CO is the reductant
- D. 0 to +2, and CO is the oxidant.

Question 15

Iron can be readily oxidised in the presence of copper ions. The chemical equation is

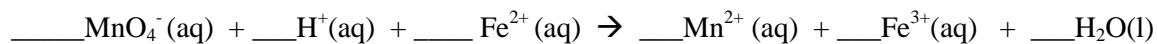


To complete this redox reaction, the missing chemical substance is

- A. $\text{Cu}^+\text{(aq)}$
- B. Cu(s)
- C. $\text{Cu}^{4+}\text{(aq)}$
- D. $\text{Cu}^{3+}\text{(aq)}$

Question 16

When a pale green solution containing Fe^{2+} ions is mixed with a purple coloured acidified solution of MnO_4^- ions, the purple colour disappears. The unbalance equation for the reaction is:



When correctly balanced, the number of mole of Fe^{2+} ions reacting with 1 mole of MnO_4^- and the number of mole of Fe^{3+} ions produced is

- A. 1 mole Fe^{2+} and 1 mole Fe^{3+}
- B. 3 mole Fe^{2+} and 2 mole Fe^{3+}
- C. 5 mole Fe^{2+} and 3 mole Fe^{3+}
- D. 5 mole Fe^{2+} and 5 mole Fe^{3+}

Question 17

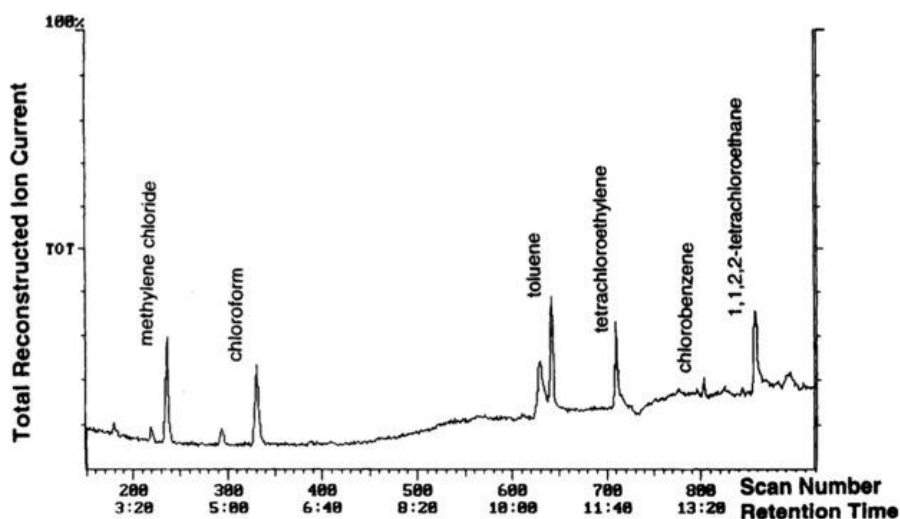
Paper chromatography was used to separate two components from a dye. One component, A, ($R_f = 0.50$) moved a distance of 2.0cm from the origin, whilst another component, B moved 1.0 cm further than component A.

The R_f value of component B is closest to

- A. 0.33
- B. 0.60
- C. 0.75
- D. 0.25

Question 18

Gas chromatography can be used in the detection of organic volatile substances. The diagram below shows the gas chromatograph of an air sample taken from a synthetic organic chemistry laboratory. (Chai and Pawliszyn 1995).



<http://faculty.virginia.edu/analyticalchemistry/GC%20VOC%20Final/GC%20&%20VOC%203.html>

The following statements refer to this diagram.

I The boiling points of the compounds arranged from lowest to highest are methylene chloride, chloroform, toluene, tetrachloroethylene, chlorobenzene, 1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane.

II Nitrogen could have been used as a carrier gas for the mobile phase.

III The retention times will stay the same if the temperature at which the chromatography is run is increased.

Which of the above statements is true?

- A. II only
- B. I and II only
- C. I and III only
- D. II and III only

Question 19

When Nuclear Magnetic resonance spectroscopy is used to identify an organic substance

- A. the bonds that contain hydrogen atoms vibrate and stretch or bend in the induced magnetic field
- B. the bonds in the molecule will stretch and bend at characteristic frequencies
- C. the molecule will absorb radiation of a known wavelength, exciting electrons
- D. the hydrogen nuclei align themselves in the induced magnetic field.

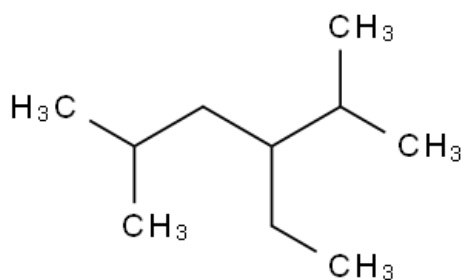
Question 20

The concentration and identification of 1,2-ethandiol would best be analysed by

- A. gas-liquid chromatography
- B. a combination of gas chromatography and mass spectrometry
- C. a combination of high performance liquid chromatography and mass spectrometry
- D. acid/base titration.

Question 21

What is the correct systematic naming for the following compound?



- A. 2,5-methyl-3-ethylpentane
- B. 2,5-dimethyl-4-ethylpentane
- C. 3-ethyl-2,5-dimethylhexane
- D. 3-ethyl -5,5-dimethylpentane.

Question 22

The number of structural isomers of C_5H_{10} , each containing a double bond is

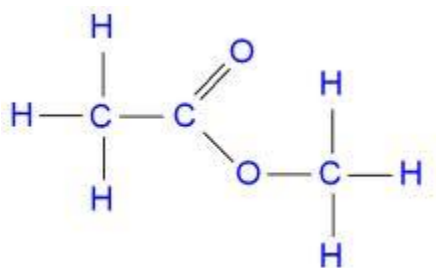
- A. 6
- B. 5
- C. 4
- D. 3

Question 23

Which one of the following compounds will react with dilute sodium hydroxide and dilute nitric acid?

- A. C_4H_9Br
- B. $HOCHCH_2CH_2COOH$
- C. $C_3H_7NH_2$
- D. $H_2NC_3H_6COOH$

Questions 24 and 25 refer to the following diagram.

**Question 24**

The systematic name for this molecule is

- A. Ethyl methanoate
- B. Methyl- ethanoic acid
- C. Methyl ethanoate
- D. Ethyl-butanoic acid

Question 25

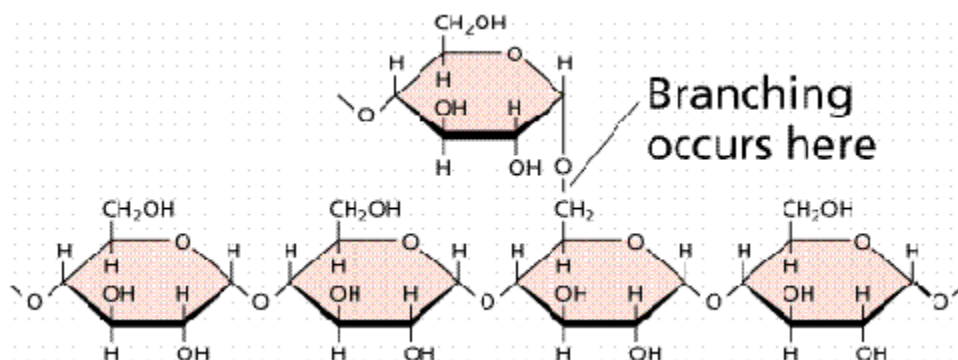
The molecule shown can be prepared from

- A. methanol, ethanol, sulphuric acid and acidified dichromate
- B. methanoic acid, ethanol, sulphuric acid, water and a catalyst
- C. methanol, ethanoic acid, sulphuric acid and water
- D. methanoic acid, ethanol, sulphuric acid and acidified dichromate.

Question 26

The order that correctly represents the **increasing** value for the heat of combustion per g of fuel is

- A. hydrogen, methane, methanol, ethene
- B. ethene, methanol, methane, hydrogen
- C. methane, methanol, hydrogen, ethene
- D. methanol, ethene, methane, hydrogen.

Question 27

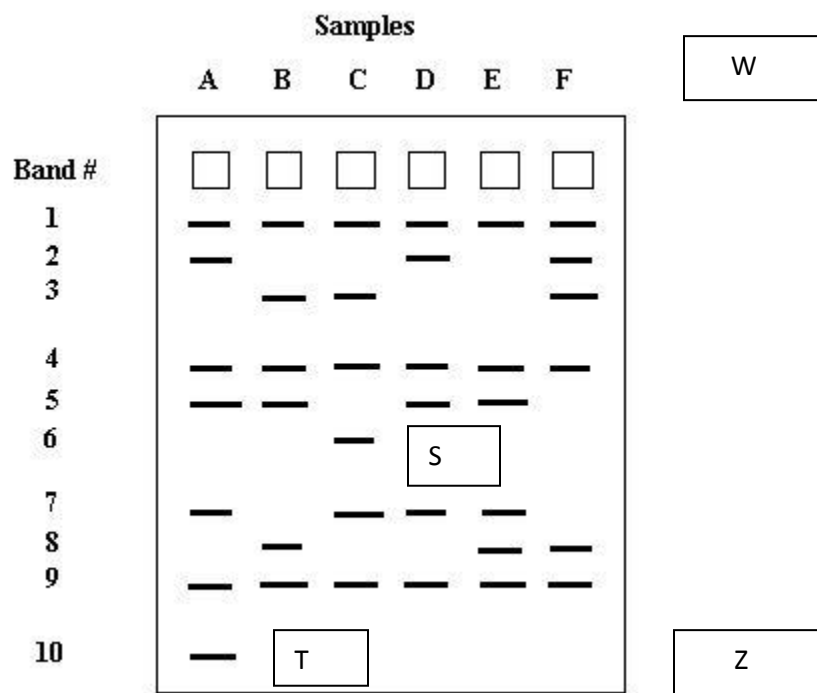
<http://www.fas.org/irp/imint/docs/rst/Sect20/A12.html>

Hydrolysis of the above involves the following

- A. the formation of the monomer glucose plus water
- B. the formation of the monomer glucose plus hydrogen
- C. the formation of the monomer glucose
- D. the formation of the monomer glucose plus carbon dioxide.

Question 28

Gel Electrophoresis is a processes used to analyse DNA. Fragments of DNA can be separated by allowing the DNA to run through an agarose gel under a process that requires an electric current. Samples of DNA will be loaded into the wells from A to F.



http://biology.arizona.edu/sciconn/lessons2/alongi/Lesson5_3.htm

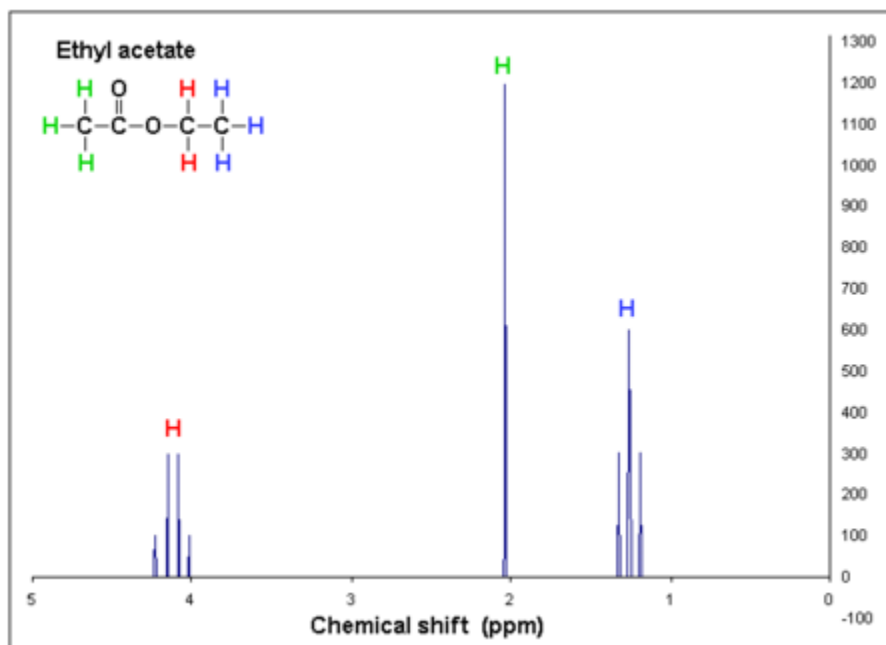
From the gel electrophoresis

- the negative terminal is connected at W and the fragment S has a lower molecular mass than the fragment T
- the negative terminal is connected at Z and the fragment T has a lower molecular mass than fragment S
- the positive terminal is at W and fragment T moves at a faster rate through the gel than fragment S
- the positive terminal is at Z and fragment S moves through the gel at a slower rate than fragment T.

Question 29

Which one of the following amino acids would be the least soluble in an aqueous solution at pH 7?

- A. Threonine
- B. Valine
- C. Leucine
- D. Cysteine

Question 30

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Proton_NMR

For the ^1H NMR of ethyl ethanoate (ethyl acetate) above

- A. the chemical shift at 1.2 is due to the hydrogen's of CH_3COO^- and is a triplet
- B. the chemical shift at 2.1 is due to the hydrogen's of CH_3COO^- and is a singlet
- C. the chemical shift at 4.2 is due to the hydrogen's of CH_3COO^- and is a quartet
- D. the chemical shift at 1.2 is due to the hydrogen's of CH_3CH_2^- and is a septet.

SECTION B**Instructions for Section B**

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided. Write using a black or blue pen.

To obtain full marks for your responses you should

- give simplified answers with an appropriate number of significant figures to all numerical questions; unsimplified answers will not be given full marks.

- show all working in your answer to numerical questions. No credit will be given for an incorrect answer unless it is accompanied by details of the working.

- make sure chemical equations are balanced and that formulas for individual substances include an indication of state; for example, $\text{H}_2(\text{g})$; $\text{NaCl}(\text{s})$

Question 1 (5 marks)

- a. Describe standard conditions at which the electrochemical series was constructed. 3 marks

- b. What is the pH of the reference half-cell solution under standard conditions? 2 marks

Question 2 (3 marks)

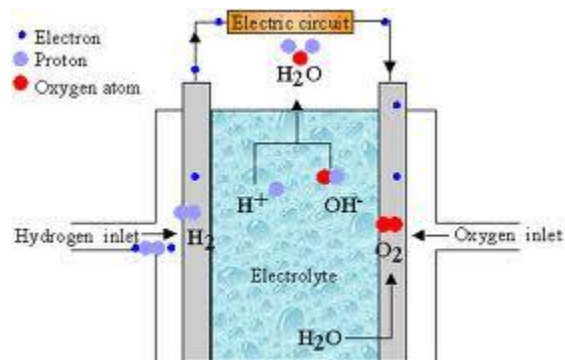
- a. In the self-decomposition of hydrogen peroxide, hydrogen peroxide can act both as a reductant and an oxidant. Write the half equation when hydrogen peroxide is acting as an oxidant. Include all states and the E° value. 1 mark
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- b. At standard conditions, give the cell potential difference for the self-decomposition of hydrogen peroxide. 1 mark
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- c. Explain why the self-decomposition of hydrogen peroxide is predicted to occur yet hydrogen peroxide can be stored at room temperature for years and not decompose. 1 mark
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Question 3 (7 marks)

Alkaline fuel cells



<http://www.cheng.cam.ac.uk/research/groups/electrochem/JAVA/electrochemistry/ELEC/110html/main.html>

a. Circle the term that best describes this type of cell.

Galvanic

Electrolytic

1 mark

b. Write the equation for the reaction occurring at the cathode of an alkaline fuel cell.

1 mark

c. Write the reaction occurring at the anode.

1 mark

d. A commercially produced alkaline fuel cell has electrodes that are highly porous. Explain the reason for porous electrodes.

1 mark

e. Explain one main difference between a fuel cell and a primary cell.

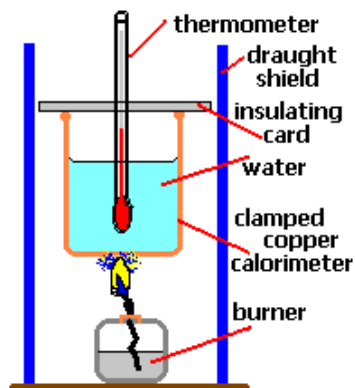
1 mark

- f.** Methanol fuel cells are another type of fuel cell that uses methanol as a reactant fuel. Give one advantage of using a fuel cell constructed to use methanol. 1 mark

- g.** Give one disadvantage of using methanol in a fuel cell. 1 mark

Question 4 (20 marks)

An experiment was set up to determine experimentally, the molar enthalpy of methanol, ethanol and propan-1-ol. The apparatus used is shown in the diagram below. The volume of water used was 100.0ml.



<http://www.docbrown.info/page07/deltaHc.htm>

The experimental results obtained are recorded in the following table:

Measurement	Methanol	Ethanol	Propan-1-ol
Initial mass of spirit burner plus alkanol(g)	155.63	157.85	154.83
Final mass of spirit burner plus alkanol(g)	151.74	154.33	152.16
Mass of alkanol burnt(g)	1.59	1.82	1.37
Initial temperature of water (°C)	21.3	21.5	21.5
Final temperature of water (°C)	79.5	78.2	77.0

a. Calculate the energy(J) released for each of the fuels.

3 marks

Methanol	Ethanol	Propanol

- b. Determine the amount (n) of each fuel and the heat of combustion (kJmol^{-1}) for each fuel. 6 marks

Methanol	Ethanol	Propanol

- c. Complete the table below. Compare the molar enthalpy of combustion for each of the three fuels with that of the experimental data calculated. 3 marks

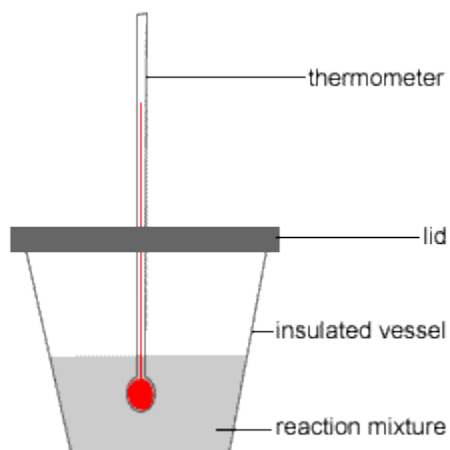
Alkanol	Experimental data	ΔH_c (kJmol^{-1})
Methanol		
Ethanol		
Propan-1-ol		

- d. Write the complete thermochemical equation for the combustion of propanol. 2 marks

- e. When comparing the heat of combustion to the theoretical values, there is consistently a significant difference. Identify **2** sources of error that would have contributed to this difference in values. 2 marks

- f. To make results more reliable and reduce extraneous variable identify one important improvement of the experimental design to ensure validity. 1 mark

In another experiment the dissolution of ammonium chloride in water was determined using a polystyrene cup, a cover for the cup and a thermometer. The initial temperature was 21.5°C and the final temperature was 18.7°C.



<http://www.usetute.com.au/heatreact.html>

- g. Write a complete thermochemical equation for the dissolution of ammonium chloride in water, including whether ΔH would be positive or negative. 2 marks

- h.** What is one assumption made for the aqueous solution of ammonium chloride when calculating the energy value (J)? 1 mark

Question 5 (6 marks)

Students were provided with ionisation constant of water in their Data Book.

From this three students were discussing exactly what a neutral solution was.

Nicholas said that it was a solution with a $\text{pH} = 7$; David said that it was when $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = [\text{OH}^-]$ but thought the pH did equal 7. Jack said that Nicholas and David were both saying the same thing and were both correct.

Comment on the views expressed by each of the three students, giving an explanation for each view.

Question 6 (11 marks)

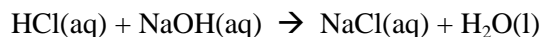
A back titration was used to determine the percentage composition of magnesium hydroxide found in antacid tablets.

The procedure involved crushing and weighing two antacid tablets (3.40g). This was placed in a 250.0mL conical flask.

25.6 ml of 3.30M HCl was added to the flask.

- a. Write the equation for the reaction, including states. 1 mark

The excess HCl was titrated with 0.0740M NaOH, according to the equation:



- b. What would be the most suitable indicator to use to determine the endpoint of this reaction? 1 mark

The average titre was 27.4mL

- c. Calculate the number of moles of HCl added to the antacid tablet solution. 1 mark

- d. Calculate the number of moles of HCl that reacted with the sodium hydroxide. 1 mark

- e. Determine the number of moles of HCl which reacted with the crushed antacid tablets, to the correct number of significant figures. 1 mark

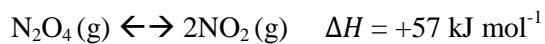
- f. Determine the %(m/m) of magnesium hydroxide present in an antacid tablet. 3 marks

- g. A bubble was present below the tap of the burette. During the titration the bubble was expelled from the burette. Explain how this error would have affected the concentration of magnesium hydroxide calculated from this experiment. 2 marks

- h. Why was it necessary to perform a back titration to determine the concentration of magnesium hydroxide present in antacid tablets? 1 mark

Question 7 (10 marks)

The gases N_2O_4 and NO_2 were sealed in a 5.00 litre vessel and allowed to reach equilibrium at 298 K. The equation for the reaction is



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The value of K at 298 K = 0.0510 M

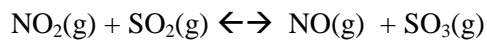
- a. Write an expression for the equilibrium law for this reaction. 1 mark

- b. Calculate the mass (g) of NO_2 present in the 5.00 L vessel at equilibrium at 298K containing 10.0g of N_2O_4 . Provide the correct number of significant figures in you final answer. 6 marks

- c. When the above mixture was heated to 373 K and maintained at this temperature, describe and explain, using Le Chatelier's principle, what would be observed. 3 marks

Question 8 (10 marks)

Sulphur dioxide and nitrogen dioxide were admitted to an empty vessel which was then sealed and the system was allowed to reach equilibrium at temperature X°C, and time, t secs.



- a. Use the axes below to sketch a graph of the **rates** of the forward and back reactions against time, starting at $t = 0$ and continue the graph to indicate when equilibrium (t_1) was established and also the rate after equilibrium has been established.
Label the axis, the forward and reverse reactions and indicate where equilibrium is established.

4 marks



- b. On the same axis, sketch a graph of the rates for the forward and back reactions for the same reaction when a **catalyst** has also been added to the mixture at $t = 0$ seconds. Temperature is kept constant. Indicate the time, t_2 where equilibrium is established with a catalyst. 2 marks
- c. Describe how a catalyst alters the rate and position of equilibrium for this reaction. 2 marks

- d. Use the collision theory to explain how an increase in temperature could be used to increase the rate of this reaction. 2 marks

Question 9 (10 marks)

Water pollution can result from lead. The concentration of lead ions (Pb^{2+}) in a sample of water can be determined by the addition of an aqueous solution of 0.200M sodium sulphate (Na_2SO_4) to exactly 250.00 mL of this water to form a precipitate.

- a. Write an ionic equation for the reaction. 1 mark
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- b. The filtered precipitate was rinsed with deionised water. It was dried in an oven at 96°C . Over 5 days the following weighings were recorded.

Sample of Lead precipitate	Mass (g)
1	0.4732
2	0.4616
3	0.4612
4	0.4613
5	0.4620

- Calculate the mass (g) of lead in the precipitate. 3 marks

- c. Calculate the molarity of Pb^{2+} ions in the polluted water sample. 1 mark

- d. The maximum accepted level of Pb^{2+} in safe drinking water is 0.015 ppm. Compare the level of Pb^{2+} in this polluted water (mg/L) to the acceptable standard. 1 mark

- e. The procedure assumes that there were no other ions in the polluted water, such as arsenic or mercury that would form a precipitate. If there had been, how would this have affected the resulting concentration of Pb^{2+} obtained? 1 mark

- f. Calculate the minimum volume (mL) of aqueous 0.200M sodium sulphate that needed to be added to the 250ml of polluted water to precipitate all the lead ions. 2 marks

- g. Why was 15 mL used? 1 mark

Question 10 (12 marks)

Atomic absorption spectroscopy (AAS) was used to investigate the concentration of calcium in a variety of milk samples. The spectrophotometer has a special light source, an aspirator-burner, a monochromator and a detector.

- a. What feature must the lamp used in the analysis of calcium have? 1 mark

- b. Explain the function of the aspirator-burner. 2 marks

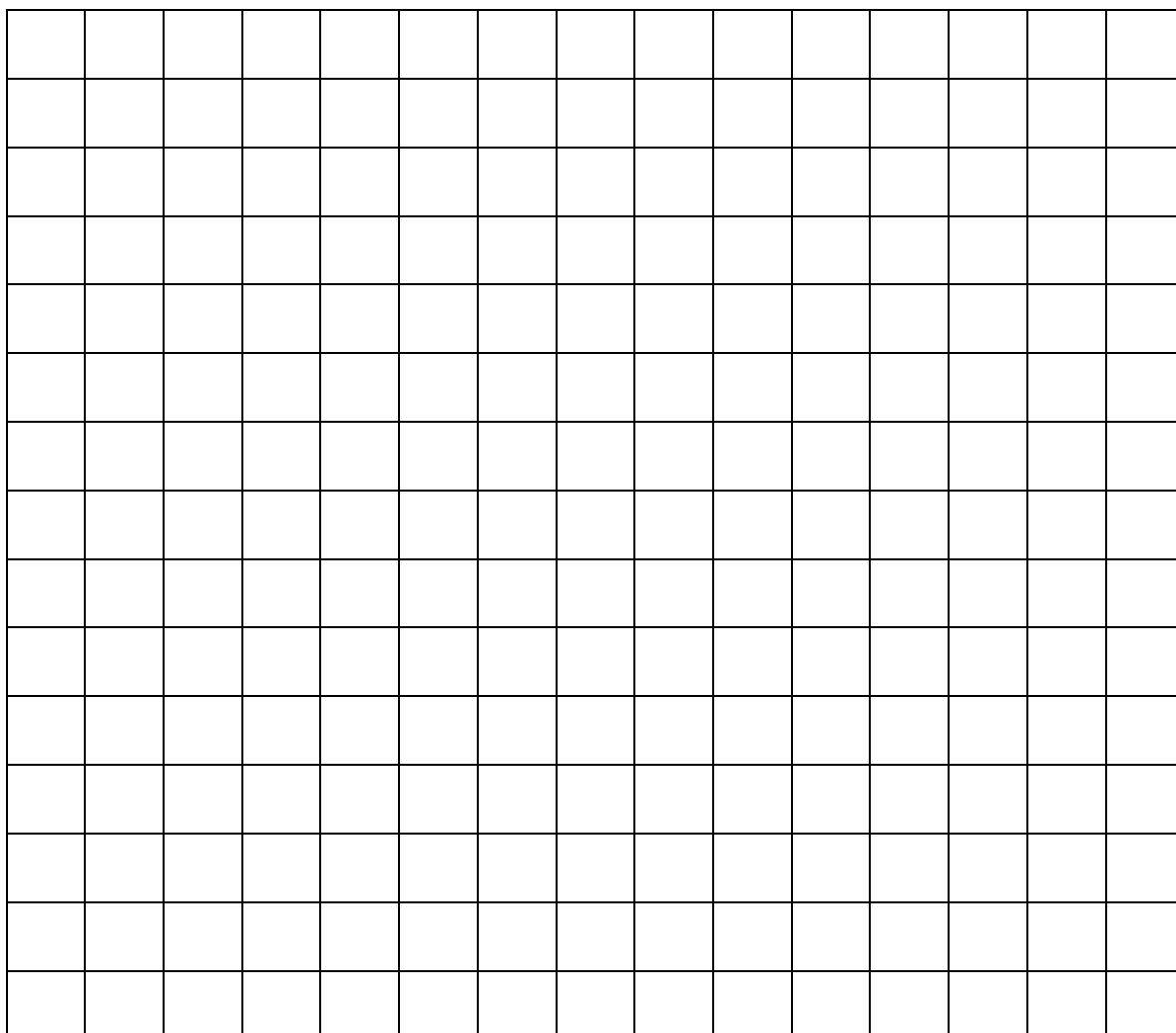
An experiment was carried out to determine the percentage of calcium in a particular sample of milk using AAS. The AAS was first calibrated with solutions of known calcium concentrations before the unknown samples were investigated.

1.00ml of the milk sample was pipetted into a 100ml volumetric flask. 50ml of 2000 mgL⁻¹ La²⁺ solution was added to displace the Ca²⁺ from its bound form to the free Ca²⁺ ion. This was then filtered and 2ml of the filtrate was transferred to a 10ml conical flask, a further 5ml of the La²⁺ solution added and made up to 10mL with distilled water, ready for analysis using a spectrophotometer. The following results were obtained.

	Calcium concentration(mgL ⁻¹)	Absorbance reading
Blank solution	0.0	0.007
Calcium standard 1	2.5	0.197
Calcium standard 2	5.0	0.404
Calcium standard 3	7.5	0.560
Calcium standard 4	10.0	0.721
Sample		0.293

c. Plot a graph of concentration versus absorbance on the graph below.

3 marks



d. From the graph, what is the concentration, mgL^{-1} of the total dissolved $\text{Ca}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ in the diluted milk sample?

1 mark

e. What is the total dissolved calcium, (mgL^{-1}) in the milk sample?

2 marks

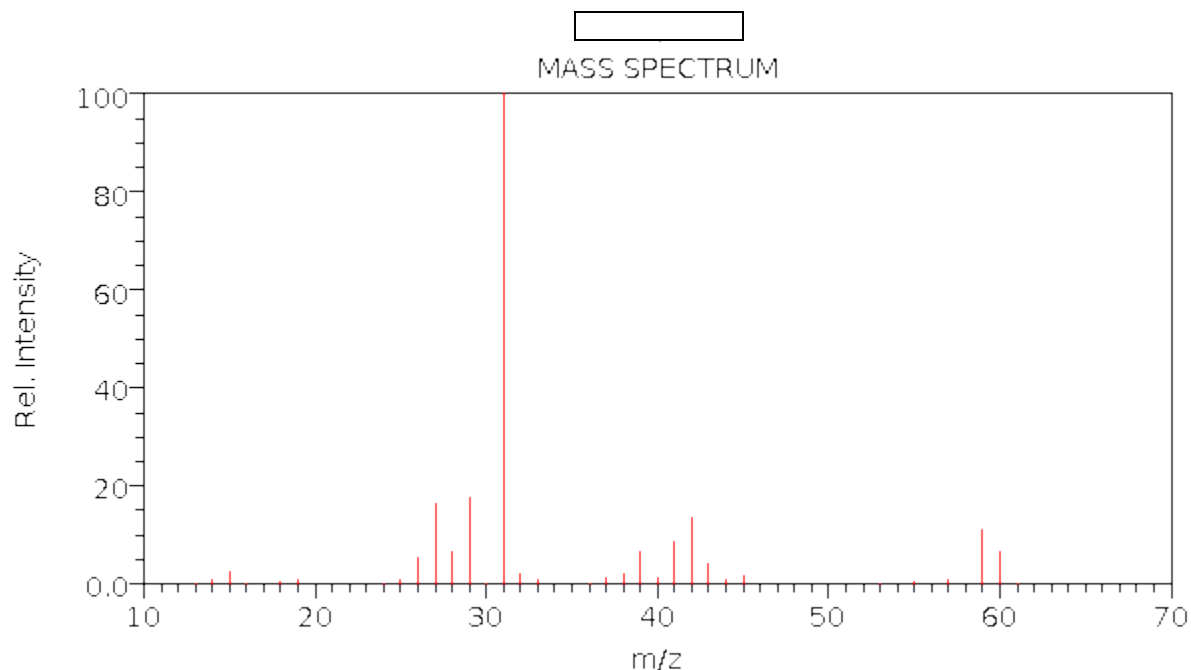
- f.** Calculate the percentage, (m/v) of calcium in the milk sample. 1 mark

- g.** Give a reason for the blank solution recording an absorbance reading of 0.007. 1 mark

- h.** The milk sample also contained sodium ions. Explain why these ions do not interfere with the absorbance of the wavelength of radiation selected for calcium. 1 mark

Question 11 (6 marks)

The following is the mass spectrum of an organic molecule, an alkanol containing C,H and O.



NIST Chemistry WebBook (<http://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry>)

- a.** Identify the fragment at m/z of 31. 1 mark
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- b.** What is the molecular mass of the molecule? 1 mark
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- c.** The molecule belongs to the homologous family of alkanols. What is its molecular formula? 1 mark
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- d.** The fragment at m/z 29 may fragment further. Write the equation to show this. 1 mark
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- e.** An infrared spectrum of this compound can be used to distinguish it as an alkanol and not a carboxylic acid. What bond and wave number range is absent for an alkanol but present for an acid? 2 marks
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Section A: Multiple Choice Answer Sheet

NAME: _____

For each multiple choice question, shade letter of your choice.

Question				
1	A	B	C	D
2	A	B	C	D
3	A	B	C	D
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24	A	B	C	D
25	A	B	C	D
26	A	B	C	D
27	A	B	C	D
28	A	B	C	D
29	A	B	C	D
30	A	B	C	D