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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER MAIN EXAMINATIONS

FOR THE DEGREE OF BSC CHEMISTRY

COURSE CODE: SCH 123

COURSE TITLE: LABORATORY TECHNIQUES II

DATE: 13/07/2021 TIME: 9:00-11:00AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

- Answer Question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO (2) questions
- Indicate answered questions on the front cover
- Start each question on a new page and make sure the question's number is written on each page

TIME: 2 Hours

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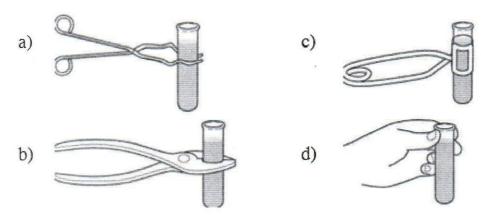


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Question 1 [30 Marks]

Section I

i. Which of the following illustrate the correct way to pick up a heated test tube [1 Mark]

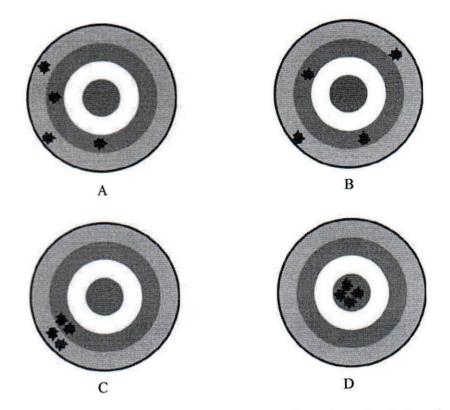


- ii. Approved eye protection devices, such as goggles, are worn in the laboratory [1 Mark]
 - A. to avoid eye strain
 - B. any time chemicals, heat, or glassware are used
 - C. to improve your vision
 - D. only if you do not have glasses
- iii. Which of the following experiments is
 - a) precise but not accurate?

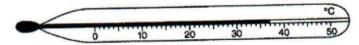
[1 Mark]

b) neither accurate nor precise?

[1 Mark]



iv. A student is carrying out an experiment and needs to incubate a bacterial culture at 45 °C. Estimate the difference in temperature between the current reading and the desired temperature. [1 Mark]



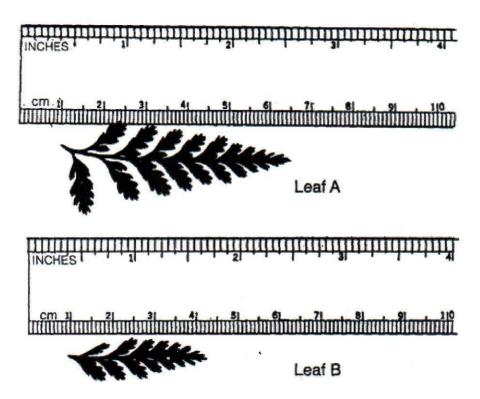
- A. 8
- B. 7
- C. 9
- D. 12

v. Which of the following represents the products for the reaction below? [2 Marks]

- $Na_2SO_4 + 2AgNO_3 \longrightarrow$
- A. $Ag_2SO_4 + Na_2NO_3$ B. $AgSO_4 + NaNO_3$
- C. $Ag_2SO_4 + 2NaNO_3$
- D. $Ag_2SO_4 + NaNO_3$

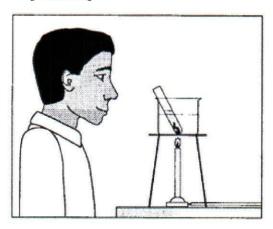
vi. In a gravimetric analysis, the barium sulfate precipitate was weighed before it completely dried, indicate the likely impact of this on the experimental result. [2 Marks]

vii. Estimate the difference in length in mm between leaves A and B [2 Marks]



viii. The diagram below illustrates a student carrying out an experiment in the laboratory. Highlight two unsafe laboratory practises and the correct practise the student should have adhered to

[4 Marks]



- ix. List any 4 pieces of safety equipment located in the chemistry laboratory [4 Marks]
- x. A student determines measures the mass of one mole of carbon and finds it to be 12.22 grams. If the accepted value is 12.11 grams, what is the students % of error. [3 Marks]

xi. Differentiate between direct and indirect titration methods

[4 Marks]

Question 2 [20 Marks]

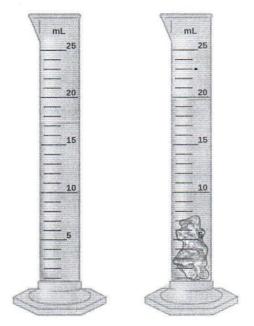
- While driving from Lokichogio to Mombasa (approx. 808 miles), a 2012 Toyota Prado uses
 52.8 gallons of Diesel. Calculate
 - a. the average fuel economy in km per Litre for the Prado

[10 Marks]

b. the fuel costs for the trip if Diesel costs 107.66 per Litre

[4 Marks]

ii. An irregular shaped material weighing 51.84 g is submerged in graduated cylinder containing water as shown below



a. Determine the density of the material

[3 Marks]

b. Determine the identity of the material. Explain your answer

[3 Marks]

Question 3 [20 Marks]

i. List and explain the different categories of titration reactions

[8 Marks]

ii. Sketch the titration curves of each of the following and give examples

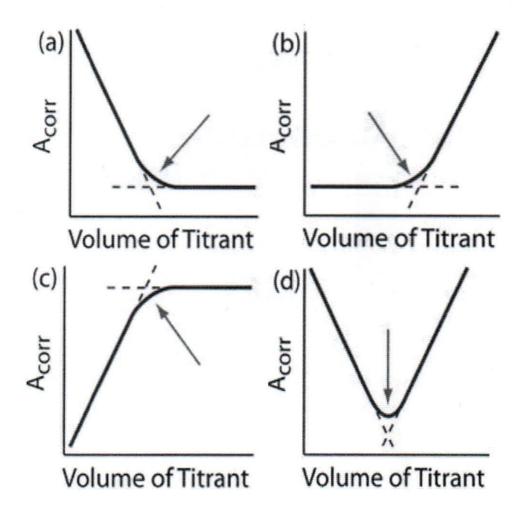
[12 Marks]

- a. A strong acid with a strong base
- b. A weak acid with a strong base

c. A polyprotic acid with a strong base

Question 4 [20 Marks]

Describe the absorbance characteristics of the titrant, analyte and product in the titrations represented by the following graphs.



Question 5 [20 Marks]

i. Discuss three factors that may affect accuracy of weighing on an analytical balance

[9 Marks]

ii. Describe the proper procedure for operating an analytical balance

[11 Marks]

| Millimeters | Centimeters | Meters | Kilometers | Inches | Feet | Yards | Miles |
|-------------|-------------|----------|------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| mm | cm | m | km | in | ft | vd | mi |
| 1 | 0.1 | 0.001 | 0.000001 | 0.03937 | 0.003281 | 0.001094 | 6.21e-07 |
| 10 | 1 | 0.01 | 0.00001 | 0.393701 | 0.032808 | 0.010936 | 0.000006 |
| 1000 | 100 | 1 | 0.001 | 39.37008 | 3.28084 | 1.093613 | 0.000621 |
| 1000000 | 100000 | 1000 | 1 | 39370.08 | 3280.84 | 1093.613 | 0.621371 |
| 25.4 | 2.54 | 0.0254 | 0.000025 | 1 | 0.083333 | 0.027778 | 0.000016 |
| 304.8 | 30.48 | 0.3048 | 0.000305 | 12 | 1 | 0.333333 | 0.000189 |
| 914.4 | 91.44 | 0.9144 | 0.000914 | 36 | 3 | 1 | 0.000568 |
| 1609344 | 160934.4 | 1609.344 | 1.609344 | 63360 | 5280 | 1760 | 1 |

| Centimeter cube | Meter cube | Liter | Inch cube | Foot cube | US gallons | Imperial gallons | US barrel (oil) |
|-----------------|----------------|----------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|
| cm ³ | m ³ | ltr | in ³ | ft ³ | US gal | Imp. gal | US brl |
| 1 | 0.000001 | 0.001 | 0.061024 | 0.000035 | 0.000264 | 0.00022 | 0.000006 |
| 1000000 | 1 | 1000 | 61024 | 35 | 264 | 220 | 6.29 |
| 1000 | 0.001 | 1 | 61 | 0.035 | 0.264201 | 0.22 | 0.00629 |
| 16.4 | 0.000016 | 0.016387 | 1 | 0.000579 | 0.004329 | 0.003605 | 0.000103 |
| 28317 | 0.028317 | 28.31685 | 1728 | 1 | 7.481333 | 6.229712 | 0.178127 |
| 3785 | 0.003785 | 3.79 | 231 | 0.13 | 1 | 0.832701 | 0.02381 |
| 4545 | 0.004545 | 4.55 | 277 | 0.16 | 1.20 | 1 | 0.028593 |
| 158970 | 0.15897 | 159 | 9701 | 6 | 42 | 35 | 1 |

Densities of common substances

| Solids | Liquids | Gases (at 25 °C and 1 atm) | |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| ice (at 0 °C) 0.92 g/cm ³ | water 1.0 g/cm ³ | dry air 1.20 g/L | |
| oak (wood) 0.60-0.90 g/cm ³ | ethanol 0.79 g/cm ³ | oxygen 1.31 g/L | |
| iron 7.9 g/cm ³ | acetone 0.79 g/cm ³ | nitrogen 1.14 g/L | |
| copper 9.0 g/cm ³ | glycerin 1.26 g/cm ³ | carbon dioxide 1.80 g/L | |
| lead 11.3 g/cm ³ | olive oil 0.92 g/cm ³ | helium 0.16 g/L | |
| silver 10.5 g/cm ³ | gasoline 0.70–0.77 g/cm ³ | neon 0.83 g/L | |
| gold 19.3 g/cm ³ | mercury 13.6 g/cm ³ | radon 9.1 g/L | |