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**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER
SUPPLEMENTARY/SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS**

FOR THE DEGREE OF B.SC (CHEMISTRY)

COURSE CODE: SCH 221

COURSE TITLE: ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY I

DATE: 18/1/2022

TIME: 2-4PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

Answer question **ONE** and any **TWO** of the remaining

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Question 1 [30 Marks]

- i. Differentiate between accuracy and precision [4 Marks]
- ii. Discuss the importance of standard deviation in analytical measurements [4 Marks]
- iii. Describe gross error and highlight two characteristics [5 Marks]
- iv. Differentiate between systematic and random errors [4 Mark]
- v. List three ways to eliminate systematic errors [3 Marks]
- vi. Explain the importance of fundamental analysis [3 Marks]
- vii. Describe two types of samples [4 Marks]
- viii. List three fields where analytical data may be utilized [3 Marks]

Question 2 [20 Marks]

- i. Differentiate between end point and equivalence point [4 Marks]
- ii. A solution of approximately 0.1 M HCl is standardized with Na_2CO_3 . 0.1472 g of Na_2CO_3 requires 23.7 mL of the HCl to reach endpoint. The HCl is then used to titrate a solution of NaOH. 25.0 mL of the base solution is titrated to endpoint by 15.9 mL of the acid. Determine the concentration of NaOH. [16 Marks]

Question 3 [20 Marks]

- i. Explain the difference between titrimetric and gravimetric analysis [4 Marks]
- ii. A 0.649-g sample containing only K_2SO_4 (174.27 g/mol) and $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$ (132.14 g/mol) was dissolved in water and treated with $\text{Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ to precipitate all sulfate as BaSO_4 (233.39 g/mol). If 0.977 g of precipitate was formed, what is the mass percent K_2SO_4 in the sample? [12 Marks]
- iii. The reaction between ethanol and an organic acid (eg ethanoic acid) takes about 6 hours at boiling point. The reaction achieves a conversion of approximately 70%. Comment of the suitability of this reaction as a titration reaction. [4 Marks]

Question 4 [20 Marks]

- i. Describe the process of crystallization [8 Marks]
- ii. The analysis of % CaO present in a CaCO_3 resulted in the following data after several analyses. 56.04, 55.95, 56.23, 56.08 and 56.00.
 - a. Determine the standard deviation and variance of the data [5 Marks]
 - b. Identify the statistical test to be applied in the validation of all data points [2 Marks]
 - c. Determine whether the data contains outliers and whether or not they should be eliminated [5 marks]

Question 5 [20 Marks]

- i. Discuss the importance of defining an analytical problem [4 Marks]
- ii. Explain the importance of designing an experimental procedure before beginning any analysis [4 Marks]

- iii. List any factors to consider when designing an experimental procedure [6 Marks]
iv. List three analytical methods which apply electromagnetic radiation [6 Marks]

Table of Critical Values of Q

| N | Q _{crit} (CL:90%) | Q _{crit} (CL:95%) | Q _{crit} (CL:99%) |
|----|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 3 | 0.941 | 0.970 | 0.994 |
| 4 | 0.765 | 0.829 | 0.926 |
| 5 | 0.642 | 0.710 | 0.821 |
| 6 | 0.560 | 0.625 | 0.740 |
| 7 | 0.507 | 0.568 | 0.680 |
| 8 | 0.468 | 0.526 | 0.634 |
| 9 | 0.437 | 0.493 | 0.598 |
| 10 | 0.412 | 0.466 | 0.568 |

