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FOR THE DEGREE OF B.SC (SCIENCE)

COURSE CODE: SCH 313:

COURSE TITLE: ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY

DURATION: 2 HOURS

DATE: 15/11/2022

TIME: 8:00AM-10:00AM

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## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Answer QUESTION ONE (Compulsory) and any other two (2) Questions.
- Indicate **answered questions** on the front cover.
- Start every question on a new page and make sure question's number is written on each page.

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### Question One (30 marks)

- a) Explain why separation techniques are necessary in the study of analytical chemistry. (2mks)
- b) Apart from change in physical state, name other physicochemical properties upon which separation and concentration of species are based. (4mks)
- c) You are required to separate components of a mixture based on change of physical state. Outline three techniques which you can use to accomplish this task. (3mks)
- d) Discuss the basis of size exclusion chromatography as a separation technique. (3mks)
- e) Explain how selectivity is achieved in solvent extraction
- f) Differentiate among the following as used in gravimetric analysis:
- i. Electrogravimetry (2mks)
  - ii. Volatizationgravimetry (2mks)
  - iii. Particulate gravimetry (2mks)
- g) Controlling particle size is very vital in order to obtain a good precipitate. What are the stages involved in this process? (3mks)
- h) State two application of acid base titration. (2mks)
- i) Differentiate between column and planar chromatography. (4mks)

### Question two (20 marks)

Thin layer chromatography is one of the chromatographic techniques commonly used by analysts. Discuss this technique under the following headings:

- i. Principles (4mks)
  - ii. Solvents used (2mks)
  - iii. Applications (3mks)
- a) Discuss the instrumentation for gas chromatography. (5mks)
- b) State any four applications of HPLC. (4mks)

### Question three (20 marks)

- a) In order to determine the concentration of a standard an analyst can do it directly or indirectly. Explain how this can be done:
- i. Direct method (4mks)
  - ii. Indirect method (4mks)
- b) Sketch a conductometric titration curve for a strong acid and a strong base (3mks)
- c) An analyst is required to carry out an experiment using 5 litres of 0.1M sodium carbonate. Advise the analyst how the solution should be prepared from a primary standard. (3mks)

- d) Redox titration is an important titrimetric technique. State its applications (6mks)

### Question four (20 marks)

- a) Batch and continuous extraction are methods used in solvent extraction. Briefly explain how each one of them works:
- Batch extraction (5mks)
  - Continuous extraction (5mks)
- b) The amount of solute remaining in the aqueous phase is readily calculated for any number of extractions with equal volumes of organic solvents from the equation
- $$C_{(aq)n} = \left[ \frac{V_{aq}}{DV_0 + V_{aq}} \right]^n$$
- define each of the terms in the equation. (5mks)
- c) For a complete removal of 0.1g of iodine from 50cm<sup>3</sup> of an aqueous solution of iodine and sodium chloride is required. Assuming D for carbon tetrachloride water is 85, then for a single extraction and three extractions with 25cm<sup>3</sup> of CCl<sub>4</sub> calculate the amount of solute remaining in the aqueous phase. (5mks)