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Paper 3 Practical Test

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1 hour 15 minutes

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

Additional materials: as listed in Instructions to Supervisors.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your name and details, including examination session and laboratory where appropriate, in the boxes provided.

Write in dark blue or black pen in the spaces provided on the Question Paper.

You may use a pencil for any diagrams, graphs, or rough working.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **all** questions.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

You are advised to show all working in calculations.

Use of a Data Booklet is unnecessary.

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'Washing soda' is made from crystals of sodium carbonate, which contain 62.94% water and 37.06% sodium carbonate.

When stored, these crystals lose some of the water in the crystals to the atmosphere.

You are to determine in two separate experiments the amount of water that has been lost to the atmosphere.

Weigh the empty boiling-tube labelled **X** and record the mass in Table 1.1.

Transfer approximately half of the 'washing soda' crystals, **FA 1**, from boiling-tube **Y** into boiling-tube **X**. Keep the remaining solid for use in Question 2.

Reweigh the boiling-tube **X** and **FA 1** and record the mass in Table 1.1

Table 1.1

Mass of empty boiling-tube X	/g	
Mass of boiling-tube X + FA 1 before heating	/g	
Mass of boiling-tube X + solid after heating	/g	
Mass of boiling-tube X + solid after re-heating	/g	
Mass of anhydrous Na ₂ CO ₃ left after heating	/g	

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Gently heat the crystals in the tube. The solid will dissolve into the water contained in the crystals.

Continue the gentle heating until all the water has evaporated and solid remains in the tube. **Take care to avoid any loss of material during this initial heating.**

Warm the upper parts of the boiling-tube to evaporate any water that may have condensed there.

When all the water has evaporated heat the solid strongly to drive off any remaining water. Allow the boiling-tube to cool, reweigh and record the mass in Table 1.1.

You are advised to start on Question 2 while the tube cools.

Reheat, cool and reweigh the boiling-tube and its contents. Record the mass in Table 1.1.

(a) How can you be sure that all of the water has been driven off from the crystals?

[1]

(b) Calculate the mass of crystals at the start of the experiment.

[1]

(c) Calculate the mass of water driven from the crystals.

[1]

(d) What is the percentage of water in your sample of **FA 1**?

[1]

[Total : 10]

- 2 **FA 1** is solid 'washing soda', originally sodium carbonate decahydrate, $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$.
FA 2 is $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ hydrochloric acid, HCl .

Weigh a 100 cm^3 beaker. Record the mass in Table 2.1.

Tip the remaining **FA 1** from tube **Y** into the beaker and weigh the beaker and crystals.

Table 2.1

Mass of beaker	/g	
Mass of beaker + FA 1	/g	
Mass of FA 1	/g	

[1]

Add distilled water to the beaker to dissolve the crystals. Carefully transfer the solution to a 250 cm^3 graduated (volumetric) flask. Rinse the beaker several times adding the rinse water to the graduated flask.

Make the solution up to 250 cm^3 with distilled water and invert a number of times to ensure thorough mixing. Label this solution **FA 3**.

Pipette 25.0 cm^3 of **FA 3** into a conical flask and add a few drops of the indicator provided. Titrate the solution with **FA 2**, contained in a burette. Record your results in Table 2.2.

Repeat the titration as many times as you think necessary to obtain accurate results. Make certain that the recorded results show the precision of your practical work.

Table 2.2 Titration of FA 3 with FA 2

Final burette reading / cm^3				
Initial burette reading / cm^3				
volume of FA 2 used / cm^3				

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The indicator used was.....

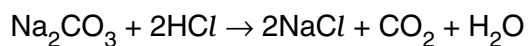
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25.0 cm^3 of **FA 3** reacted with cm^3 of **FA 2**.

Show which results you used to obtain this volume of **FA 2** by placing a tick (✓) under the readings in Table 2.2.

(a) Calculate the number of moles of hydrochloric acid run from the burette.

(b) Sodium carbonate reacts with hydrochloric acid



Calculate the number of moles of sodium carbonate, Na_2CO_3 , in 250 cm^3 of **FA 3**.

(c) Calculate the mass of sodium carbonate, Na_2CO_3 , dissolved in 250 cm^3 of **FA 3**.
[Na, 23.0; C, 12.0; O, 16.0.]

(d) Calculate the mass of water present in the washing soda crystals.

(e) Calculate the percentage (%) of water in the sodium carbonate crystals, **FA 1**.

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[Total : 15]

