

AS level Chemistry A

H032/02 Depth in chemistry

Question Set 7

1. (a) (i) A student carries out a titration to determine the molar mass and structure of a weak acid **A**.

The student follows the method below.

- Dissolve a weighed mass of **A** in 100 cm³ of distilled water and make the solution up to 250 cm³ in a beaker.
- Add the solution of **A** to a burette.
- Titrate the solution of **A** with a standard solution of sodium hydroxide, NaOH.
- (ii) What is meant by the term standard solution?

[1]

(b) Sodium hydroxide is an alkali.

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(c) The student carries out a trial, followed by three further titrations.

The diagram shows the initial and final burette readings for the three further titrations.

The student measures all burette readings to the nearest 0.05 cm³.

Titration 1		Titration 2		Titration 3	
Initial reading	Final reading	Initial reading	Final reading	Initial reading	Final reading
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(i) Record the student's readings and the titres in the table below.

Calculate the mean titre, to the nearest 0.05 cm³, that the student should use for analysing the results.

	Titration 1	Titration 2	Titration 3
Final reading/cm ³			
Initial reading/cm ³			
Titre/cm ³			

[4]

(ii) The uncertainty in each burette reading is $\pm 0.05 \, \text{cm}^3$.

Calculate the percentage uncertainty for the titre in **Titration 1**.

(iii) The student realised that the solution of A had not been prepared correctly. How should the student have made up the solution? [1] (d) A student repeats the titration to determine the molar mass and structure of A. The student prepares a 250.0 cm³ solution from 1.513 g of **A**. The solution of **A** is added to the burette and titrated with 25.0 cm³ volumes of $0.112 \, \text{mol dm}^{-3} \, \text{NaOH(aq)}$. 1 mol of A reacts with 2 mol of NaOH. The student obtains a mean titre of 27.30 cm³. Calculate the molar mass of A from these results. (i) Give your answer to the nearest whole number. Show your working. [4] (ii) A is an organic acid, containing C, H and O only. One molecule of A contains two COOH groups. Suggest the structure of A. [1]

Total Marks for Question Set 1: 13



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