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Paper 6 Alternative to Practical

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1 hour

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer all questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do not use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do not write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.
- You should show all your working and use appropriate units.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- Notes for use in qualitative analysis are provided in the question paper.

1 When a mixture of calcium hydroxide and ammonium chloride is heated, ammonia gas is made.

calcium hydroxide + ammonium chloride → calcium chloride + water + ammonia

Ammonia gas is soluble in water and toxic. Ammonia gas reacts with hot copper(II) oxide to make nitrogen.

ammonia + copper(II) oxide \rightarrow copper + water + nitrogen

A student makes nitrogen using the apparatus shown in Fig. 1.1.

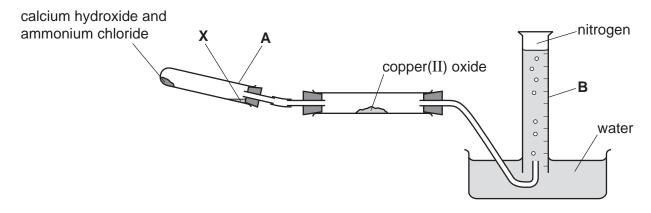


Fig. 1.1

| (a) | Name the items | of apparatus | labelled A | and B | in Fig. | 1.1 | |
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|-----|----------------|--------------|------------|--------------|---------|-----|--|

| Α | |
|---|----|
| | |
| В | |
| | [2 |

(b) The apparatus needs to be heated in two places.

On Fig. 1.1, draw arrows in **two** places to show where the apparatus should be heated during the experiment. [2]

(c) During the reaction, a colourless liquid collects at the point marked **X** in Fig. 1.1.

Suggest the identity of the colourless liquid.

.....[1]

| (d) | Some of the ammonia gas passes over the copper(II) oxide without reacting. |
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| | Suggest why none of this ammonia gas is collected in the item of apparatus labelled ${\bf B}$ in Fig. 1.1. |
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| | [1] |
| (e) | The student does not collect the first few bubbles of gas. |
| | Suggest why the first few bubbles of gas are not collected. |
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| | [1] |
| (f) | Explain why this experiment should be carried out in a fume cupboard. |
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| | [1] |
| | [Total: 8] |

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2 A student investigates the reaction between aqueous aluminium chloride and two aqueous solutions of sodium hydroxide, solution **F** and solution **G**. Solution **F** and solution **G** have different concentrations.

The student does three experiments.

Experiment 1

- Rinse a burette with distilled water and then with aqueous aluminium chloride.
- Rinse a conical flask with distilled water.
- Fill the burette with aqueous aluminium chloride. Run some of the aqueous aluminium chloride out of the burette so that the level of the aqueous aluminium chloride is on the burette scale.
- Record the initial burette reading.
- Use a measuring cylinder to pour 25 cm³ of solution F into the conical flask.
- Stand the conical flask on a black or dark-coloured sheet of paper.
- Slowly add aqueous aluminium chloride from the burette to the conical flask, while swirling the flask, until the mixture in the conical flask just starts to become cloudy.
- Record the final burette reading.

Experiment 2

- Refill the burette with aqueous aluminium chloride. Run some of the aqueous aluminium chloride out of the burette so that the level of the aqueous aluminium chloride is on the burette scale.
- Record the initial burette reading.
- Rinse the conical flask with distilled water.
- Rinse the measuring cylinder with distilled water and then with solution **G**.
- Use the measuring cylinder to pour 25 cm³ of solution **G** into the conical flask.
- Stand the conical flask on a black or dark-coloured sheet of paper.
- Slowly add aqueous aluminium chloride from the burette to the conical flask, while swirling the flask, until the mixture in the conical flask just starts to become cloudy.
- Record the final burette reading.

Experiment 3

- Refill the burette with aqueous aluminium chloride. Run some of the aqueous aluminium chloride out of the burette so that the level of the aqueous aluminium chloride is on the burette scale.
- Record the initial burette reading.
- Rinse the conical flask with distilled water.
- Use the measuring cylinder to pour 25 cm³ of solution **G** into the conical flask.
- Add 5 drops of thymolphthalein indicator to the conical flask.
- Stand the conical flask on a white tile.
- Slowly add aqueous aluminium chloride from the burette to the conical flask, while swirling the flask, until the thymolphthalein indicator changes colour.
- Record the final burette reading.

(a) Use the burette diagrams in Fig. 2.1, Fig. 2.2 and Fig. 2.3 to record the readings for Experiments 1, 2 and 3 in Table 2.1 and complete Table 2.1.

Experiment 1

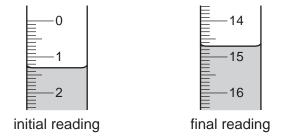


Fig. 2.1

Experiment 2

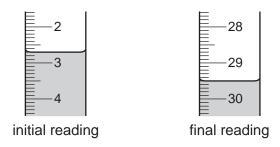


Fig. 2.2

Experiment 3

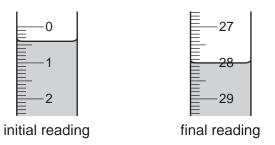


Fig. 2.3

Table 2.1

| | Experiment 1 | Experiment 2 | Experiment 3 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| final burette reading/cm³ | | | |
| initial burette reading/cm³ | | | |
| volume of aqueous aluminium chloride added/cm ³ | | | |

| (b) | | experiment 3, the aqueous sodium hydroxide in the conical flask is alkaline. At the end-point, mixture in the flask is no longer alkaline. |
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| | Sta | te the colour change seen at the end-point in Experiment 3. |
| | fron | n to [1] |
| (c) | Sta | te why the conical flask is swirled as solution F is added in Experiment 1. |
| | | [1] |
| (d) | Sug | ggest why the conical flask is placed on black or dark-coloured paper in Experiments 1 and 2. |
| | | [1] |
| (e) | (i) | Explain why the measuring cylinder is rinsed between Experiment 1 and Experiment 2. [1] |
| | (ii) | Explain why the measuring cylinder does not need rinsing between Experiment 2 and Experiment 3. |
| | | [1] |
| (f) | | mpare the concentration of solution ${f F}$ used in Experiment 1 with the concentration of ution ${f G}$ used in Experiment 2. |
| | Exp | plain your answer. |
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| | | [3] |
| (g) | | culate the volume of aqueous aluminium chloride required when Experiment 1 is carried with 10 cm³ of aqueous sodium hydroxide instead of 25 cm³. |
| | | [2] |
| (h) | | all three experiments it is more accurate to measure the volume of the aqueous sodium droxide using a volumetric pipette instead of a measuring cylinder. |
| | | plain why it is not possible to use a volumetric pipette to measure the volume of aqueous minium chloride in these experiments. |
| | | [1] |
| | | [Total: 15] |
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3 A student tests two substances: solid **H** and solution **I**.

Tests on solid H

Complete the expected observations.

| (a) | (i) | The student adds an excess of dilute nitric acid to the sample of solid ${\bf H}$ in a boiling tube and tests any gas produced. |
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| | | observations |
| | | |
| | | [2] |
| | (ii) | Identify the gas made in (a)(i). |
| | | [1] |
| | | ution produced in $(a)(i)$ is solution J . The student divides solution J into four approximately ortions. |
| (b) | The | student carries out a flame test on the first portion of solution J . |
| | obs | ervations[1] |
| (c) | | he second portion of solution ${f J}$, the student adds a few drops of acidified aqueous potassium aganate(VII). |
| | obs | ervations |
| | | [1] |
| (d) | To t | he third portion of solution ${f J}$, the student adds a few drops of dilute sulfuric acid. |
| | obs | ervations |
| | | [1] |
| (e) | | the fourth portion of solution ${f J}$, the student adds about 1 cm depth of dilute nitric acid by a few drops of aqueous barium nitrate. |
| | obs | ervations |
| | | [1] |

Tests on solution I

Table 3.1 shows the tests and the student's observations for solution ${f I}$.

The student divides solution I into two portions.

Table 3.1

| tests | observations |
|--|----------------------------------|
| test 1 | |
| To the first portion of solution I in a boiling tube, add 2 cm ³ of aqueous sodium hydroxide and warm the mixture. Test any gas produced, using damp red litmus paper. | damp red litmus paper turns blue |
| test 2 | |
| To the second portion of solution I in a boiling tube, add 1 cm³ of dilute nitric acid followed by a few drops of aqueous silver nitrate. | a white precipitate forms |
| (f) (i) Identify the gas produced in test 1. | |
| | |

| (f) | (i) | Identify the gas produced in test 1 . |
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| | | [1] |
| | (ii) | State what is observed when the gas produced in test 1 is tested using damp blue litmus paper. |
| | | [1] |
| (g) | Ide | ntify solution I. |
| | | |
| | | [2] |
| | | [Total: 11] |

| 4 | Bismuth is a metal that has a reactivity similar to that of copper. The ore bismite contains the compound bismuth(III) oxide, ${\rm Bi_2O_3}$. |
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| | Bismuth(III) oxide is insoluble in water and reacts with dilute acids to form an aqueous solution of a salt. The ore bismite contains no other compounds that are insoluble in water and no other compounds that react with acids to form aqueous solutions. |
| | Describe how you could obtain a sample of bismuth metal starting with a large lump of the ore bismite. |
| | You have access to common laboratory apparatus and chemicals. |
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| | [6] |
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Notes for use in qualitative analysis

Tests for anions

| anion | test | test result |
|--|---|---|
| carbonate, CO ₃ ²⁻ | add dilute acid, then test for carbon dioxide gas | effervescence, carbon dioxide produced |
| chloride, C <i>l</i> ⁻ [in solution] | acidify with dilute nitric acid, then add aqueous silver nitrate | white ppt. |
| bromide, Br ⁻ [in solution] | acidify with dilute nitric acid, then add aqueous silver nitrate | cream ppt. |
| iodide, I ⁻ [in solution] | acidify with dilute nitric acid, then add aqueous silver nitrate | yellow ppt. |
| nitrate, NO ₃ ⁻ [in solution] | add aqueous sodium hydroxide, then aluminium foil; warm carefully | ammonia produced |
| sulfate, SO ₄ ²⁻ [in solution] | acidify with dilute nitric acid, then add aqueous barium nitrate | white ppt. |
| sulfite, SO ₃ ²⁻ | add a small volume of acidified aqueous potassium manganate(VII) | the acidified aqueous potassium manganate(VII) changes colour from purple to colourless |

Tests for aqueous cations

| cation | effect of aqueous sodium hydroxide | effect of aqueous ammonia |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| aluminium, Al ³⁺ | white ppt., soluble in excess, giving a colourless solution | white ppt., insoluble in excess |
| ammonium, NH ₄ + | ammonia produced on warming | _ |
| calcium, Ca ²⁺ | white ppt., insoluble in excess | no ppt. or very slight white ppt. |
| chromium(III), Cr3+ | green ppt., soluble in excess | green ppt., insoluble in excess |
| copper(II), Cu ²⁺ | light blue ppt., insoluble in excess | light blue ppt., soluble in excess, giving a dark blue solution |
| iron(II), Fe ²⁺ | green ppt., insoluble in excess, ppt. turns brown near surface on standing | green ppt., insoluble in excess, ppt. turns brown near surface on standing |
| iron(III), Fe ³⁺ | red-brown ppt., insoluble in excess | red-brown ppt., insoluble in excess |
| zinc, Zn ²⁺ | white ppt., soluble in excess, giving a colourless solution | white ppt., soluble in excess, giving a colourless solution |

Tests for gases

| gas | test and test result | |
|---------------------------------|--|--|
| ammonia, NH ₃ | turns damp red litmus paper blue | |
| carbon dioxide, CO ₂ | turns limewater milky | |
| chlorine, Cl ₂ | bleaches damp litmus paper | |
| hydrogen, H ₂ | 'pops' with a lighted splint | |
| oxygen, O ₂ | relights a glowing splint | |
| sulfur dioxide, SO ₂ | turns acidified aqueous potassium manganate(VII) from purple to colourless | |

Flame tests for metal ions

| metal ion | flame colour |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| lithium, Li ⁺ | red |
| sodium, Na⁺ | yellow |
| potassium, K⁺ | lilac |
| calcium, Ca ²⁺ | orange-red |
| barium, Ba²+ | light green |
| copper(II), Cu ²⁺ | blue-green |

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