

BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION

CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT

CH104: ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY I

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TIME: 2 HRS

ANSWER QUESTION 1 AND FOUR OTHER QUESTIONS. TWO FROM EACH OF SECTIONS A AND B. EACH QUESTION CARRIES 20 MARKS.

- 1 (a) Normal alkanes are hydrocarbons with the formula C_nH_{2n+2} . Plants selectively synthesize alkanes with an odd number of carbon atoms. The concentrations of $C_{29}H_{60}$ in summer rainwater collected in Hannover, Germany, is 34 ppb. Calculate the molarity of $C_{29}H_{60}$ and express the answer in nM. [5 marks]
- (b) Consider the five results 12.53, 12.56, 12.47, 12.67, and 12.48. Is 12.67 a bad result? [5 marks]
- (c) The carbohydrate content of glycoprotein with sugars attached to it is determined to be 12.6, 11.9, 13.0, 12.7, and 12.5 g of carbohydrate per 100 g of protein in replicate analyses. Find the 90% confidence intervals for the carbohydrate content. [6 marks]
- (d) Differentiate between a galvanic cell and an electrolytic cell. [4 marks]

SECTION A: ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS

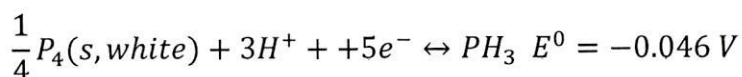
2. (a) Describe the method of standard addition. [5 marks]
- (b) An unknown sample of Ni^{2+} gave a current of 2.36 μA in an electrochemical analysis. When 0.500 mL of solution containing 0.0287 M Ni^{2+} was added in 25.0 mL of unknown, the current increased to 3.79 μA .
- (i) Denoting the initial, unknown concentration as $[Ni^{2+}]_i$, write an expression for the final concentration, $[Ni^{2+}]_f$, after addition of 25.0

mL of unknown was mixed with 0.500 mL of standard. Use the dilution factor for this calculation. [3 marks]

- (ii) In a similar manner, write an expression for the final concentration of added standard Ni^{2+} , denoted as $[\text{S}]_f$. [3 marks]
- (iii) Calculate $[\text{Ni}^{2+}]_i$ in the unknown. [5 marks]
- (c) Describe internal standards as a calibration method in quantitative chemical analysis. [4 marks]
3. (a) Applying von Weimarn's theory of relative supersaturation, discuss the measures that can be taken to decrease relative supersaturation during a precipitation. [10 marks]
- (b) What effect has the addition of 0.1 mol of anhydrous sodium acetate to 1 L of 0.1 M acetic acid upon the degree of dissociation of the acid? [10 marks]
4. (a) Write the mass balance for a saturated solution of the slightly soluble Ag_3PO_4 . [6 marks]
- (b) (i) Calculate the pH of the solution produced by adding 10 mL of 1 M hydrochloric acid to 1 L of a solution which is 0.1 M in acetic acid and 0.1 M in sodium acetate. [10 marks]
- (ii) Comment on the pH regulatory effect of the buffer. [4 marks]

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

5. (a) (i) Write Nernst equation for the following reaction:

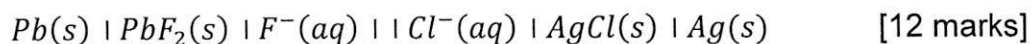


[3 marks]

- (ii) Calculate the equilibrium constant for the following reaction:



- (b) Calculate the cell voltage for the following cell in which the concentration of NaF and KCl were each 0.01 M.



6. Consider the titration of 50.0 mL of 0.0200 M MES with 0.1000 M NaOH. MES is an abbreviation for 2-(N-morpholino)ethanesulfonic acid, which is a weak acid with $pK_a = 6.27$.
- (a) Calculate the pH of the solution after the addition of 0.0, 5.0, 9.99, 10.0, 10.1, 10.3 mL of NaOH solution. [14 marks]
- (b) Using the provided data, sketch the titration curve and comment on the different regions. [6 marks]
7. (a) Describe four types of EDTA titrations. [12 marks]
- (b) The formation constant for CaY^{2-} is $10^{10.65}$. Calculate the concentration of free Ca^{2+} in a solution of 0.10 M CaY^{2-} at pH 10.00 and at pH 6.00. [8 marks]

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