

**THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA**  
**B.Sc. Degree Programme / Stand alone courses in Chemistry**  
**Level 5 –Continuous Assessment Test II– 2015 / 2016**  
**CMU 3123/CME 5123 – Analytical Chemistry**



Duration: One hour

Date and time: 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 from 4.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.

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Question number	Max. marks	marks
1	56	
2	44	
Total	100	

**Instructions to students**

**Answer all questions in the spaces given. Additional sheets will not be marked.**

1. (i) A mixture of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  and  $\text{CaO}$  was analysed using Thermogravimetry. Only one decomposition was observed. It was between  $600^\circ\text{C}$  –  $900^\circ\text{C}$  and the weight was decreased from 150.6 mg to 106.6 mg. (C= 12.00g, O = 16.00 g, Ca = 40.00g)
- (a) Draw and label the Thermo Gravimetric curve.

- (b) Calculate the weight of  $\text{CaO}$  in the above mixture.

(22 marks)

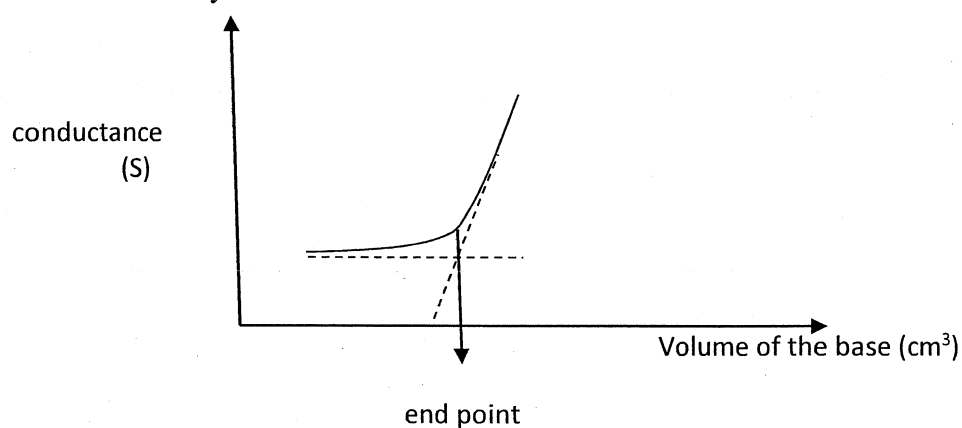
- (ii) Name two components used in Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometer which are not used in UV-Visible spectrophotometer and explain the function of the two components.

(14 marks)

- (iii) Give one major disadvantage and one major advantage of potentiometric titrations compared to classical titrations.

(06 marks)

- (iv) The following conductometric titration curve is of an acid base titration. Comment whether the acid and the base are strong or weak and justify your answer.



(14 marks)

2. A 15.0 cm<sup>3</sup> sample of water containing M<sup>2+</sup> (0.0500 M) was extracted with two 10.0 cm<sup>3</sup> portions of an organic chelating ligand HL. HL undergoes partial dissociation in aqueous phase. M<sup>2+</sup> forms ML complex with L<sup>-</sup>.

(i) Write down the equation with chemical species to show the distribution ratio of the metal ion in the two phases.

(06 marks)

(ii) State one assumption that you made when writing down the equation for the distribution ratio in above 2. (i).

(04 marks)

(iii) If the distribution ratio of the metal in the two phases is 8.05, calculate the concentration of the metal ion that will be in the organic phase after extracting with two 10.0 cm<sup>3</sup> portions of HL.

(19 marks)

- (iv) What would you expect to observe if the above extraction was carried out at low pH? Give reasons for your answer.

(15 marks)

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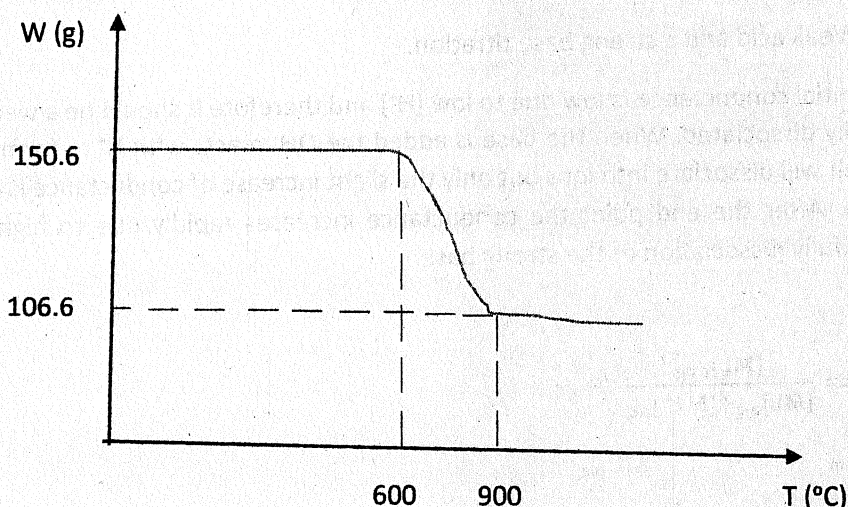
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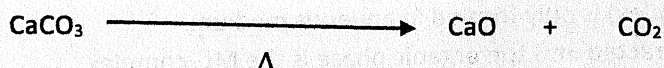
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Answer Guide

(i)(a)



(b)



Weight loss is due to  $\text{CO}_2$ .

Molecular weight of  $\text{CO}_2 = 44 \text{ g}$

Weight loss =  $150.6 \text{ mg} - 106.6 \text{ mg} = 44 \text{ mg}$

Number of moles of  $\text{CO}_2 = \frac{44 \text{ mg}}{44 \times 1000 \text{ mg}} = 1 \text{ mmol}$

Number of moles of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  in the mixture which had produced  $1 \text{ mmol}$  of  $\text{CO}_2 = 1 \text{ mmol}$

Molecular weight of  $\text{CaCO}_3 = 100 \text{ g}$

Weight of  $\text{CaCO}_3 = 100 \text{ g mol}^{-1} \times 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol} = 0.1 \text{ g}$

Weight of the  $\text{CaO} = 150.6 \text{ mg} - 100 \text{ mg} = 50.6 \text{ mg}$

Or

Number of moles of new  $\text{CaO}$  produced with  $1 \text{ mmol}$  of  $\text{CO}_2 = 1 \text{ mmol}$

Molecular weight of  $\text{CaO} = 56 \text{ g}$

Weight of new  $\text{CaO}$  produced =  $56 \text{ g mol}^{-1} \times 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol} = 56 \text{ mg}$

Weight of total  $\text{CaO}$  after heating (already present + produced) =  $106.6 \text{ mg}$

Weight of the  $\text{CaO}$  that was present in the mixture =  $106.6 \text{ mg} - 56.0 \text{ mg} = 50.6 \text{ mg}$

(ii)

- Hollow Cathode Lamp – The source of energy to provide the required  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  of the analyte.
- Modulator – To help the detector to identify unabsorbed  $\lambda$  from emitted  $\lambda$ .
- Flame (Atomizer) – To provide energy to atomize the analyte.

(iii) Disadvantages – Time consuming, high cost

Advantages – Can titrate

- Coloured solutions.
- Solutions where indicators are not available.
- Solution of which  $\Delta E^0 < 0.4 \text{ V}$

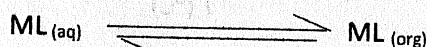
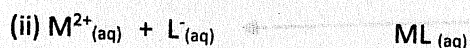
(iv) You have to note that it is the base that is added from the burette and you have the acid in the flask.

It is a Weak acid and a strong base titration.

**Reason** – The initial conductance is low due to low  $[\text{H}^+]$  and therefore it should be a weak acid which is partially dissociated. When the base is added the  $\text{OH}^-$  reacts with  $\text{H}^+$  to form water and salt. The salt will dissociate into ions but only the slight increase of conductance is shown due to dilution. After the end point the conductance increases rapidly due to high  $[\text{OH}^-]$  resulted by the fully dissociation of the strong base.

2.

$$(i) D = \frac{[\text{M}]_{\text{org}}}{[\text{M}]_{\text{aq}}} = \frac{[\text{ML}]_{\text{org}}}{[\text{ML}]_{\text{aq}} + [\text{M}^{2+}]_{\text{aq}}}$$



- ML (Metal – Ligand complex) is only formed in aqueous medium.
- The only form of  $\text{M}^{2+}$  extracted into the organic phase is the  $\text{ML}_2$  complex.
- Metal ion ( $\text{M}^{2+}$ ) doesn't undergo any other side reactions.

$$(iii) C_n = \left[ \frac{V_{\text{aq}}}{DV_{\text{org}} + V_{\text{aq}}} \right]^n C_0$$

$C_n$  = Concentration in aqueous phase

$C_0$  = Initial concentration

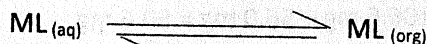
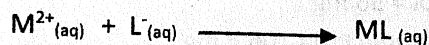
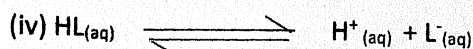
$D$  = Distribution ratio

$V_{\text{org}}$  = Volume in organic phase

$V_{\text{aq}}$  = Volume in aqueous phase

$$C_n = \left[ \frac{15.0}{8.05 \times 10.0 + 15.0} \right]^3 0.0500 = 0.00123 \text{ M}$$

$$C_{\text{org}} = C_0 - C_n = 0.0500 \text{ M} - 0.00123 \text{ M} = 0.04877 \text{ M} = 0.0488 \text{ M}$$



At low pH,  $[\text{H}^+]$  is high. Therefore, dissociation of HL is low, thus  $[\text{L}^-]$  is decreased. Due to that reason,  $[\text{ML}]_{(\text{aq})}$  become less resulting decrease in  $[\text{ML}]_{(\text{org})}$ . Therefore distribution ratio ( $D$ ) will be decreased. So the concentration of ML remaining in the aqueous phase will be increased thus decreasing the amount extracted into the organic phase.

So at low pH the concentration of metal ion in the organic phase will be less.