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Paper 5 Planning, Analysis and Evaluation

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1 hour 15 minutes

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 30.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The Periodic Table is printed in the question paper.
- Important values, constants and standards are printed in the question paper.

This document has **12** pages.

- 1 A student uses a technique called the Winkler method to determine the mass of oxygen dissolved in a sample of water from a lake.

Two solutions, **X** and **Y**, are prepared.

Solution **X** is 2.30 mol dm^{-3} aqueous manganese(II) sulfate, $\text{MnSO}_4\text{(aq)}$.

Solution **Y** is alkaline aqueous potassium iodide, KI(aq) .

- (a) Calculate the mass of solid hydrated manganese(II) sulfate, $\text{MnSO}_4\text{•H}_2\text{O(s)}$, needed to make 100.0 cm^3 of solution **X**.

Give your answer to **two** decimal places.

mass of $\text{MnSO}_4\text{•H}_2\text{O(s)}$ = g [1]

- (b) The student is given a small beaker containing the mass of $\text{MnSO}_4\text{•H}_2\text{O(s)}$ calculated in (a). Describe how the student should prepare exactly 100.0 cm^3 of solution **X**.

Include the names and capacities of each piece of key apparatus used.

Write your answer using a series of numbered steps.

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[3]



(c) Solution Y is prepared as follows.

- step 1** Place 100 cm³ of distilled water in a 250 cm³ beaker.
- step 2** Add about 8 g of solid sodium hydroxide, NaOH(s), and stir to dissolve.
- step 3** Cool the solution to room temperature using an ice-bath.
- step 4** Repeat steps 2 and 3 until a total of 32 g of NaOH(s) has been dissolved.
- step 5** Dissolve about 14 g of potassium iodide, KI(s), into the solution formed in step 4.

(i) Solution Y is corrosive.

Other than wearing safety goggles, state **one** safety precaution that the student should take when preparing solution Y.

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(ii) Suggest why the solution is cooled in step 3.

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- (d) The student uses the following procedure to determine the mass of oxygen dissolved in a sample of water from the lake.

- step 1** Collect a 250 cm^3 sample of lake water in a bottle.
- step 2** Add 1 cm^3 of solution **X** and 1 cm^3 of solution **Y** to the bottle.
- step 3** Immediately stopper the bottle, ensuring as little air as possible is trapped.
- step 4** Shake the bottle to mix its contents.
A brown precipitate, manganese(III) hydroxide, $\text{Mn}(\text{OH})_3(\text{s})$, is formed.
- step 5** Add 1.5 cm^3 of concentrated sulfuric acid to the contents of the bottle.
The precipitate dissolves, and iodine is formed.
- step 6** Dilute this solution to exactly 500.0 cm^3 using distilled water to form solution **Z**.
- step 7** Transfer 25.0 cm^3 of solution **Z** into a conical flask, and titrate with $1.00 \times 10^{-3}\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ aqueous sodium thiosulfate, $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3(\text{aq})$. Add 1 cm^3 of starch solution near to the end-point.
- step 8** Repeat step 7 as many times as necessary.

- (i) Suggest why it is important to avoid trapping air inside the bottle in step 3.

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- (ii) Identify the piece of apparatus that the student should use to transfer the 25.0 cm^3 of solution **Z** in step 7.

..... [1]

- (iii) Suggest why starch solution is added in step 7.

..... [1]



- (e) The student records the results shown in Table 1.1.

Table 1.1

	rough titration	titration 1	titration 2	titration 3
final burette reading /cm ³	13.60	12.75	26.20	14.50
initial burette reading /cm ³	0.00	0.05	13.15	1.35
titre /cm ³	13.60			

- (i) Complete Table 1.1 and calculate the mean titre.

mean titre = cm³ [2]

- (ii) Explain why the student does **not** need to carry out any further titrations.

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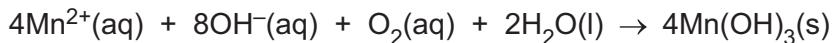
- (iii) Calculate the percentage error in the measurement of the titre for titration 3. Show your working.

percentage error = % [1]

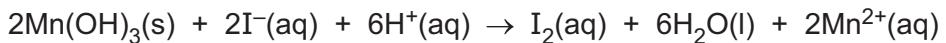


(f) The following equations show the reactions that take place during the procedure in (d).

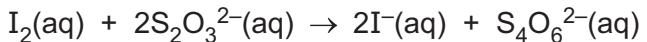
steps 2, 3 and 4



step 5



step 7



(i) Calculate the amount, in mol, of iodine, $\text{I}_2(\text{aq})$, in 25.0 cm^3 of solution **Z**.

amount of $\text{I}_2(\text{aq})$ = mol [1]

(ii) Use your answer to (f)(i) and the equations given to calculate the amount, in mol, of dissolved oxygen, $\text{O}_2(\text{aq})$, in 500.0 cm^3 of solution **Z**.

amount of $\text{O}_2(\text{aq})$ in 500.0 cm^3 of solution **Z** = mol [1]

(iii) Dissolved oxygen content, mg dm^{-3} , is the mass of oxygen dissolved in water.

Use your answer to (f)(ii) to calculate the dissolved oxygen content in the lake water collected in step 1.

[If you were unable to obtain an answer to (f)(ii), then use amount of $\text{O}_2(\text{aq})$ in 500.0 cm^3 of solution **Z** = 7.12×10^{-5} mol. This is **not** the correct answer.]

dissolved oxygen content = mg dm^{-3} [1]

[Total: 16]



- 2 A student uses the following method to investigate the kinetics of the reaction between iodine and tin to produce tin(IV) iodide, SnI_4 .

step 1 Rinse a block of tin with distilled water and then rinse it with propanone.

step 2 Place 50 cm^3 of a 0.400 mol dm^{-3} solution of iodine dissolved in methylbenzene in a 100 cm^3 beaker.

step 3 Suspend the block of tin from a three decimal place balance as shown in Fig. 2.1. Start a timer.

step 4 Record the balance reading every 100 seconds.

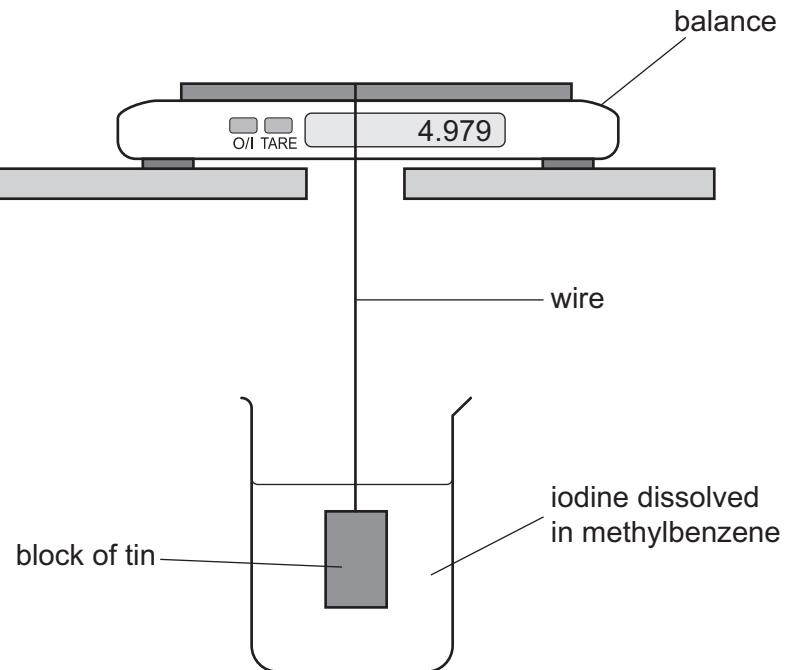


Fig. 2.1

- (a) (i) Suggest why the student rinses the block of tin with propanone after rinsing it with distilled water in step 1.

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..... [1]

- (ii) Suggest why water is **not** used as the solvent for iodine.

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- (iii) Suggest why a three decimal place balance is more suitable than a two decimal place balance for this experiment.

..... [1]

- (iv) Suggest a control experiment that could be used to verify that the loss in mass of tin is caused by reaction with iodine and **not** any other factor.

..... [1]

- (b) The student's results are shown in Table 2.1.

Complete Table 2.1.

Table 2.1

time/s	balance reading/g	total mass of tin reacted/g
0	4.979	0.000
100	4.910	
200	4.859	
300	4.761	
400	4.688	
500	4.620	

[1]

- (c) (i) Use the results from Table 2.1 to plot a graph on the grid in Fig. 2.2 to show the relationship between total mass of tin reacted and time.

Use a cross (x) to plot each data point. Draw a straight line of best fit.



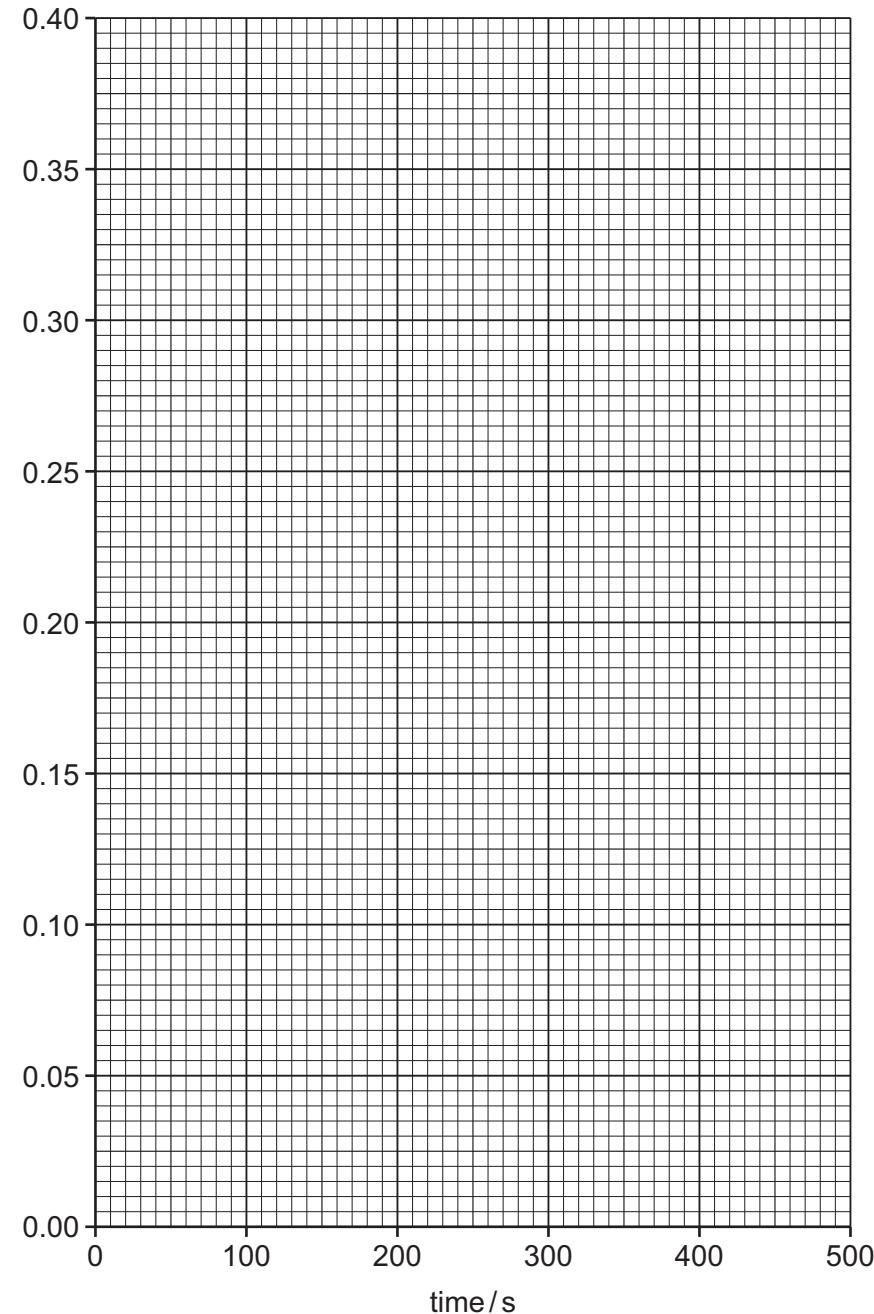
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total mass
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Fig. 2.2

[2]

- (ii) Circle the point on the graph in Fig. 2.2 that you consider to be most anomalous.

Suggest **one** reason why this anomaly may have occurred during this experimental procedure.

Assume all measurements of mass are accurate.

..... [1]



- (d) Use your graph in Fig. 2.2 to determine the gradient of the line of best fit.

State the coordinates of both points you used in your calculation. These must be selected from your line of best fit.

Give your gradient to **three** significant figures.

coordinates 1

coordinates 2

gradient =

[2]

- (e) Another student makes various concentrations of solutions of iodine dissolved in methylbenzene by dilution of the $0.400 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ I_2 solution.

The student repeats the experiment at a different temperature using these solutions.

Table 2.2

volume of $0.400 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ I_2 solution used/ cm^3	volume of methylbenzene used/ cm^3	$[\text{I}_2]$ $/ \text{mol dm}^{-3}$	relative rate of reaction
100.0	0.0	0.400	4.76
		0.300	3.57
		0.200	2.35
		0.100	1.15

- (i) Complete Table 2.2 by adding the volumes of solutions that are mixed to make 100.0 cm^3 of a solution of iodine dissolved in methylbenzene for each required concentration.

[1]

- (ii) Identify the independent variable in this experiment.

..... [1]



$$\text{rate} = k [\text{I}_2]^2$$

State whether the results support the student's conclusion.

Explain your answer using values from Table 2.2.

[2]

[Total: 14]

Important values, constants and standards

molar gas constant	$R = 8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
Faraday constant	$F = 9.65 \times 10^4 \text{ C mol}^{-1}$
Avogadro constant	$L = 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
electronic charge	$e = -1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
molar volume of gas	$V_m = 22.4 \text{ dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ at s.t.p. (101 kPa and 273 K) $V_m = 24.0 \text{ dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ at room conditions
ionic product of water	$K_w = 1.00 \times 10^{-14} \text{ mol}^2 \text{ dm}^{-6}$ (at 298 K (25 °C))
specific heat capacity of water	$c = 4.18 \text{ kJ kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ (4.18 J g ⁻¹ K ⁻¹)



The Periodic Table of Elements

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Key		Key		1		H		1		13		14		15		16		17		18																
3	Li	4	Be	5	B	6	C	7	N	8	O	9	F	10	Ne	11	He	12	He	13	He															
lithium	6.9	beryllium	9.0	boron	10.8	carbon	12.0	nitrogen	14.0	oxygen	16.0	fluorine	19.0	neon	20.2	helium	4.0	helium	4.0	neon	20.2															
11	Na	12	Mg	13	Al	14	Si	15	P	16	S	17	Cl	18	Ar	19	Ar	20	Ar	21	Ar															
sodium	23.0	magnesium	24.3	aluminum	27.0	silicon	28.1	phosphorus	31.0	sulfur	32.1	chlorine	35.5	argon	39.9	argon	39.9	argon	39.9	chlorine	35.5	argon	39.9													
19	K	20	Ca	21	Ti	22	V	23	Cr	24	Mn	25	Fe	26	Co	27	Ni	28	Cu	29	Zn	30	Ge	31	As	32	Se	33	Br	34	Kr	35	Kr			
potassium	39.1	calcium	40.1	scandium	45.0	titanium	47.9	vanadium	50.9	chromium	52.0	manganese	54.9	iron	55.8	cobalt	58.9	nickel	58.7	copper	63.5	zinc	65.4	germanium	69.7	arsenic	74.9	selenium	79.0	bromine	79.9	iodine	83.8	iodine	83.8	
37	Rb	38	Sr	39	Y	40	Nb	41	Mo	42	Tc	43	Ru	44	Rh	45	Pd	46	Ag	47	Cd	48	In	49	Sn	50	Sb	51	Te	52	I	53	Xe	54	Xe	54
rubidium	85.5	strontium	87.6	yttrium	88.9	zirconium	91.2	niobium	92.9	molybdenum	95.9	technetium	—	ruthenium	101.1	rhodium	102.9	palladium	106.4	silver	107.9	cadmium	112.4	indium	114.8	antimony	121.8	tellurium	127.6	iodine	126.9	iodine	126.9			
55	Cs	56	Ba	57–71	La	72	Ta	73	W	74	Re	75	Ir	76	Os	77	Pt	78	Hg	79	Pb	80	Tl	81	Bi	82	Po	83	At	84	Rn	85	Rn	86		
caesium	132.9	barium	137.3	lanthanoids	178.5	hafnium	180.9	tantalum	183.8	tungsten	186.2	iridium	192.2	osmium	190.2	rhodium	195.1	platinum	196.1	gold	197.0	thallium	204.4	mercury	200.6	thallium	207.2	lead	209.0	bismuth	209.0	astatine	—	astatine	—	
87	Fr	88	Ra	89–103	Rf	104	Db	105	Sg	106	Bh	107	Rs	108	Mt	109	Ds	110	Rg	111	Cn	112	Nh	113	Ft	114	Mc	115	Lv	116	Ts	117	Og	118	Og	118
francium	—	radium	—	actinoids	—	rutherfordium	—	dubnium	—	seaborgium	—	bohrium	—	hassium	—	meitnerium	—	damascinium	—	roentgenium	—	copernicium	—	nihonium	—	moscovium	—	livornium	—	tennessine	—	oganesson	—	oganesson	—	

57	La	58	Ce	59	Pr	60	Nd	61	Pm	62	Sm	63	Eu	64	Gd	65	Tb	66	Dy	67	Ho	68	Er	69	Tm	70	Yb	71	Lu	72	Lu	72	
lanthanum	138.9	cerium	140.1	praseodymium	140.9	neodymium	144.2	promethium	—	neodymium	150.4	europium	152.0	gadolinium	157.3	terbium	158.9	dysprosium	162.5	holmium	164.9	erbium	167.3	thulium	168.9	ytterbium	173.1	lutetium	175.0	lutetium	175.0		
actinoids	89	Th	90	Pa	91	U	92	Np	93	Pu	94	Am	95	Cm	96	Bk	97	Cf	98	Es	99	Fm	100	Md	101	No	102	Lr	103	lawrencium	—	lawrencium	—

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