

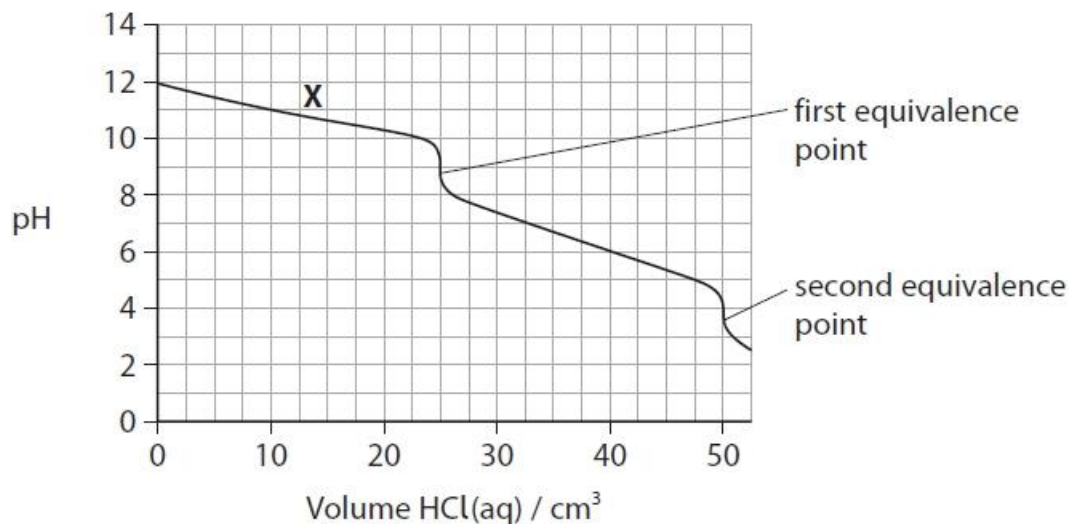
Questions

Q1.

This question is about acids and bases.

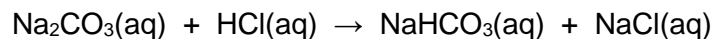
Hydrochloric acid, with a concentration of $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$, is added to 25.0 cm^3 of $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ aqueous sodium carbonate and the pH is measured.

The titration curve is shown.



The reaction takes place in two steps.

The equation for the reaction taking place in the first step is



(i) Deduce a suitable indicator to identify the first equivalence point.

Justify your answer using values from the Data Booklet.

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- (ii) Write the equation for the reaction taking place at the second equivalence point.
State symbols are not required.

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- (iii) Explain how the solution at point **X** on the graph can act as a buffer solution.

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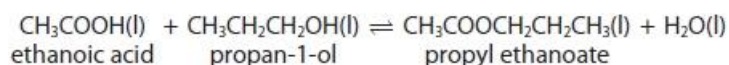
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Q2.

This question is about an experiment to determine the equilibrium constant, K_c , for an esterification reaction producing propyl ethanoate. The equation for the reaction is



In an experiment to determine the equilibrium constant, K_c , the following steps were carried out.

- 6.0 cm³ of ethanoic acid (0.105 mol), 6.0 cm³ of propan-1-ol (0.080 mol) and 2.0 cm³ of dilute hydrochloric acid were mixed together in a sealed boiling tube. In this pre-equilibrium mixture, there is 0.111 mol of water
- The mixture was left for one week, at room temperature and pressure, to reach equilibrium
- The equilibrium mixture and washings were transferred to a volumetric flask and the solution made up to exactly 250.0 cm³ using distilled water
- 25.0 cm³ samples of the **diluted** equilibrium mixture were titrated with a solution of sodium hydroxide, concentration 0.200 mol dm⁻³, using phenolphthalein as the indicator
- The mean titre was 23.60 cm³ of 0.200 mol dm⁻³ sodium hydroxide solution.

(a) State the role of the hydrochloric acid in the esterification reaction.

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(b) (i) Calculate the total amount, in moles, of acid present in the **volumetric flask** in the equilibrium mixture.

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(ii) The 2.0 cm³ of dilute hydrochloric acid contained 0.00400 mol of H⁺(aq) ions. Use this and your answer to part (b)(i) to calculate the amount, in moles, of ethanoic acid present in the equilibrium mixture.

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(c) (i) The initial mixture in the boiling tube contained 0.105 mol of ethanoic acid.

Use your answer to (b)(ii) to calculate the amount, in moles, of ethanoic acid that reacted to form the ester in the equilibrium mixture.

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(ii) Use information given in the method, and your answer to (c)(i), to calculate the amounts, in moles, of propan-1-ol, propyl ethanoate and water that are present in the equilibrium mixture.

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Moles of propan-1-ol at equilibrium

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Moles of propyl ethanoate at equilibrium

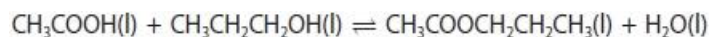
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Moles of water at equilibrium

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(d) (i) Write the expression for the equilibrium constant, K_c , for this reaction.



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(ii) Explain why it is possible, in this case, to calculate K_c using equilibrium amounts in moles, rather than equilibrium concentrations.

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(iii) Calculate the value of K_c .

Give your answer to an appropriate number of significant figures.

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(e) The pink colour of the phenolphthalein fades after the end-point of the titration has been reached.

Give a possible explanation for this observation.

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(f) Explain what you could do to confirm that one week is sufficient time for the mixture to reach equilibrium.

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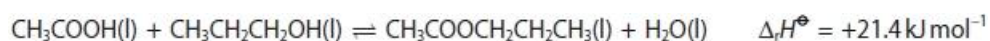
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(g) A student repeated the experiment, but left the mixture in a water bath at 40 °C until equilibrium was reached.



Deduce the effect, if any, on this student's value for K_c compared with that obtained in part (d)(iii).

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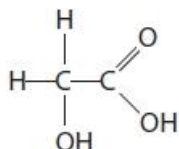
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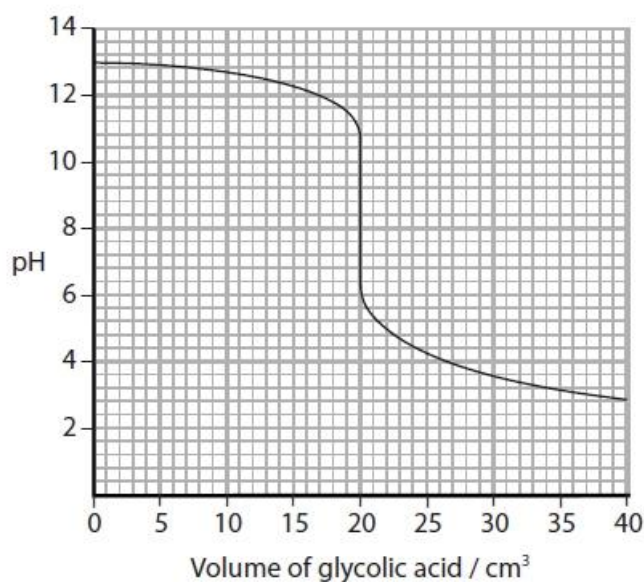
Q3.

2-Hydroxyethanoic acid, also known as glycolic acid, CH_2OHCOOH , is an alpha hydroxy acid used in some skincare products. It has a K_a value of $1.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$.

The structure of glycolic acid is



The titration curve for adding glycolic acid to 25.0 cm^3 of $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ sodium hydroxide is shown.



(i) Use the information given in your Data Booklet to select a suitable indicator for this titration, including the colour change you would expect to see.

Justify your selection.

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(ii) What is the concentration of this glycolic acid in mol dm^{-3} ?

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- A 0.080
- B 0.100
- C 0.125
- D 0.250

(iii) The pH of the solution containing just sodium glycolate and water is

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- A 2.8
- B 6.0
- C 8.3
- D 11.0

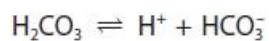
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Q4.

This is a question about buffer solutions.

One of the systems controlling the pH of blood is the carbonic acid-hydrogencarbonate buffer system.



Explain how this buffer system helps to control the pH of blood when extra carbon dioxide is present due to strenuous exercise.

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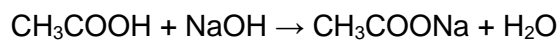
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Q5.

This question is about buffer solutions.

A buffer solution was formed by mixing 20.0 cm³ of sodium hydroxide solution of concentration 0.100 mol dm⁻³ with 25.0 cm³ of ethanoic acid of concentration 0.150 mol dm⁻³.



Calculate the pH of this buffer solution.

[K_a for ethanoic acid = 1.74×10^{-5} mol dm⁻³]

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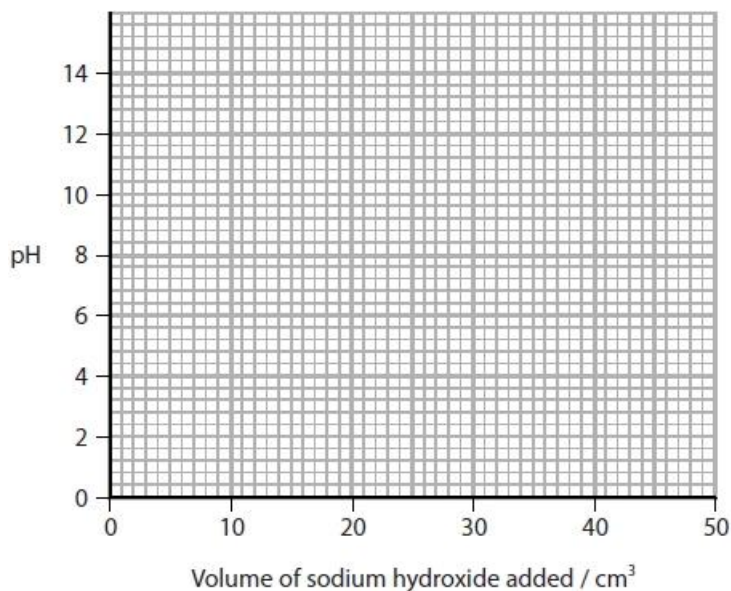
Q6.

This question is about weak acids.

(i) Propanoic acid, $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$, is a weak acid.

On the grid below, sketch the change in pH during the addition of 50.0 cm^3 of $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ sodium hydroxide solution to 25.0 cm^3 of $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ propanoic acid solution.

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(ii) Explain how you would use the graph in (i) to obtain the value of the acid dissociation constant, K_a , for propanoic acid.

You are **not** expected to calculate this value.

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(ii) Complete the table, with a tick (✓) or a cross (X), to show whether or not the indicator would be suitable for use in this titration.

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Indicator	pH range	Tick or Cross
Bromocresol purple	5.2 – 6.8	
Thymol blue	8.0 – 9.6	
Thymolphthalein	8.3 – 10.6	
Alizarin yellow R	10.1 – 13.0	

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Q8.

This is a question about buffer solutions.

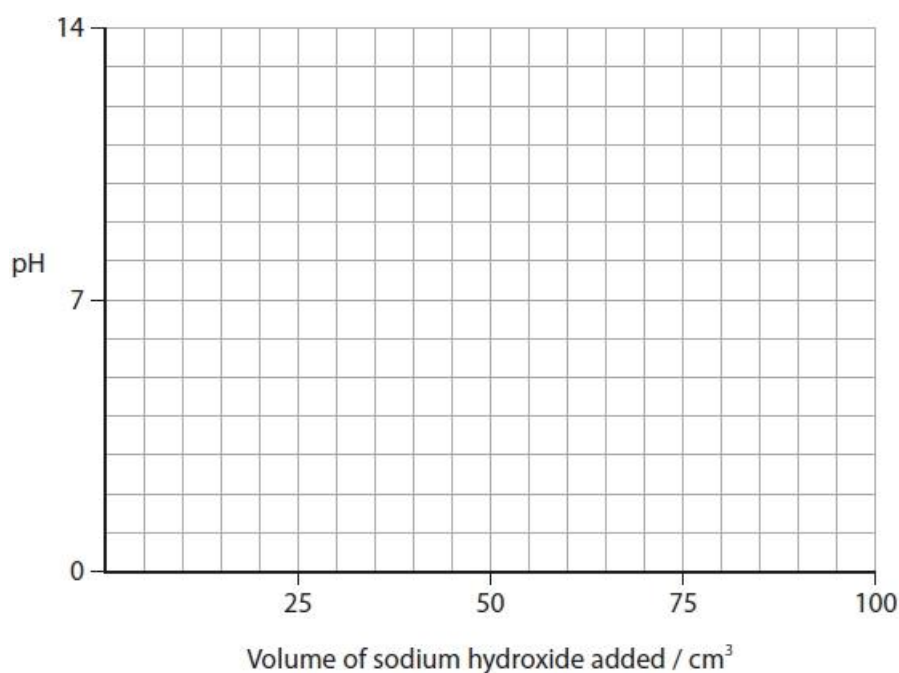
A weak acid-strong base titration curve can be used to demonstrate buffer action.

(i) Draw a titration curve for the addition of

100 cm³ of sodium hydroxide solution of concentration 0.100 mol dm⁻³ to
40.0 cm³ of propanoic acid solution of concentration 0.100 mol dm⁻³
which has a pH of 3.0.

Show the part of the curve that demonstrates buffer action.

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(ii) Describe, without calculation, how you would use your curve to determine the value of K_a for propanoic acid.

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Q9.

Pineapple juice contains the weak acids citric acid ($\text{C}_6\text{H}_8\text{O}_7$) and ascorbic acid ($\text{C}_6\text{H}_8\text{O}_6$). The amount of each compound in a sample of 150 cm^3 of pineapple juice can be determined by titration.

Experiment 1 is designed to determine the total amount of acid. 10.0 cm^3 samples of pineapple juice are transferred to separate conical flasks and titrated with a solution of sodium hydroxide of known concentration.

The total amount of acid in the 150 cm^3 sample of pineapple juice is $8.00 \times 10^{-3}\text{ mol}$.

(i) Give a reason why methyl orange would **not** be a suitable indicator to use in this titration.

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(ii) A student did not notice an air bubble in the tip of the burette **before** carrying out one of their accurate titrations. During this titration, the air bubble escaped.

Explain the effect this mistake would have on the value of this titre.

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Q10.

Pineapple juice contains the weak acids citric acid ($C_6H_8O_7$) and ascorbic acid ($C_6H_8O_6$). The amount of each compound in a sample of 150 cm^3 of pineapple juice can be determined by titration.

Experiment 1 is designed to determine the total amount of acid. 10.0 cm^3 samples of pineapple juice are transferred to separate conical flasks and titrated with a solution of sodium hydroxide of known concentration.

The total amount of acid in the 150 cm^3 sample of pineapple juice is $8.00 \times 10^{-3}\text{ mol}$.

(b) Experiment 2 is carried out to determine the amount of ascorbic acid ($C_6H_8O_6$) in the pineapple juice.

An outline procedure for this experiment is given.

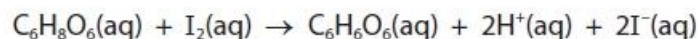
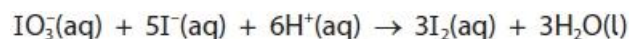
Step 1 5.00 cm^3 of the pineapple juice is added to a conical flask.

Step 2 Deionised water, a small amount of $HCl(aq)$, a few crystals of potassium iodide, KI, and 3 drops of starch solution are also added to the flask.

Step 3 The contents of the flask are swirled to ensure the KI dissolves fully.

Step 4 The resultant mixture is titrated with a solution of potassium iodate(V), $KIO_3(aq)$, of concentration $0.00100\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$.

The reactions that take place are



Only the ascorbic acid reacts with the iodine.

(i) The end-point of the titration is when the starch changes colour.

Explain how this occurs, including the colour change.

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(ii) The **total** amount of acid in the 150 cm³ sample is 8.00×10^{-3} mol.

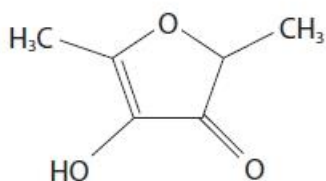
The mean titre in Experiment 2 using 5.00 cm³ of pineapple juice is 9.50 cm³.

Calculate the mass of **citric acid** in the 150 cm³ sample.

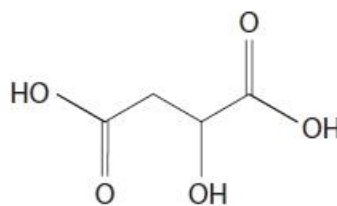
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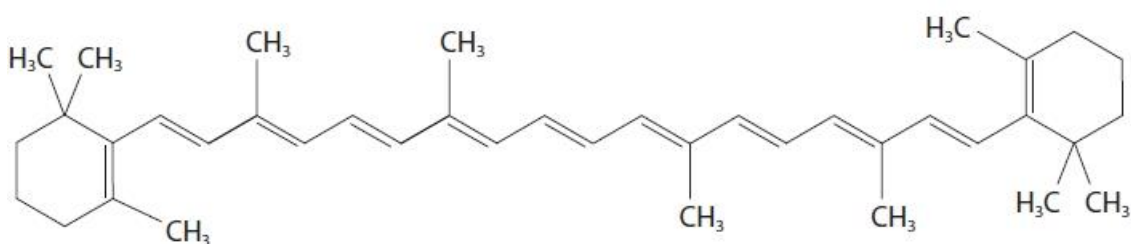
(c) While doing background research for the experiment, a student found that three other compounds, **D**, **E** and **F**, are often present in pineapple juice.



Compound **D**



Compound **E**



Compound **F**

Predict which one of these compounds is most likely to affect the result of Experiment 1 and hence predict the effect on the mass of citric acid calculated in (ii).

Justify your answer.

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Q11.

This question is about the titration of a weak acid with a strong base.

A standard solution of ethanedioic acid, which is a weak, diprotic acid, can be used to determine the concentration of a sodium hydroxide solution. 25.0 cm³ of the ethanedioic acid solution, with concentration 3.80 g dm⁻³, was pipetted into a conical flask. A few drops of indicator solution were added. The ethanedioic acid was titrated with the sodium hydroxide solution which was in the burette. The titration was repeated and the following results were obtained.

[Molar mass of ethanedioic acid = 90.0 g mol⁻¹]

	Titration 1	Titration 2	Titration 3	Titration 4
Final reading / cm ³	18.00	17.60	35.30	27.70
Initial reading / cm ³	0.00	0.00	17.60	10.05
Titre / cm ³	18.00	17.60	17.70	17.65
Titre used to find the mean titre (✓)				
			Mean titre / cm ³	

(i) In the appropriate row, tick (✓) those titre values that should be used to find the mean, and use these titres to calculate it.

Write the value of the mean titre in the box provided in the table of results.

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(ii) Ethanedioic acid is a weak acid. Name a suitable indicator for this titration and state the colour change at the end-point.

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Name of indicator

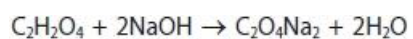
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Colour change at the end-point from

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(iii) The equation for the reaction of ethanedioic acid with sodium hydroxide is



Calculate the concentration of the sodium hydroxide solution, in mol dm^{-3} .
Give your answer to **three** significant figures.

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(Total for question = 8 marks)

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Q12.

500 cm³ of a buffer solution of pH = 4.70 is required.

Calculate the volume of 0.800 mol dm⁻³ sodium ethanoate solution and of 0.800 mol dm⁻³ ethanoic acid needed to make this buffer.

[K_a for ethanoic acid = 1.74×10^{-5} mol dm⁻³]

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(Total for question = 3 marks)

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Q13.

This question is about acids and buffer solutions.

A buffer solution was made using 20.0 cm³ of a butanoic acid solution, of concentration 0.100 mol dm⁻³ and 30.0 cm³ of sodium butanoate solution, of concentration 0.305 mol dm⁻³.

[$K_a = 1.52 \times 10^{-5}$ mol dm⁻³ at 298K]

(i) Calculate the pH of this buffer solution at 298 K.

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(ii) Explain why the pH of the buffer solution hardly changes when a few drops of sodium hydroxide solution are added to it.

Include an equation or equations in your answer.

Use C₃H₇COOH as the formula for butanoic acid.

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Q14.

This question is about weak acids.

A weak acid, HX, has a K_a value of $5.25 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$. A solution was formed by mixing 10.5 cm^3 of $0.800 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ dilute sodium hydroxide with 25.0 cm^3 of $0.920 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ HX(aq).

Calculate the pH of the solution formed, showing all your working.

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(Total for question = 5 marks)

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Q15.

This is a question about buffer solutions.

A buffer solution with a pH of 3.90 is required.

Calculate the **mass**, in grams, of sodium ethanoate that should be added to 50.0 cm³ of an ethanoic acid solution of concentration 0.800 mol dm⁻³ to form this buffer solution.

Give your answer to an appropriate number of significant figures.

[K_a for ethanoic acid = 1.74×10^{-5} mol dm⁻³]

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(Total for question = 5 marks)

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Q16.

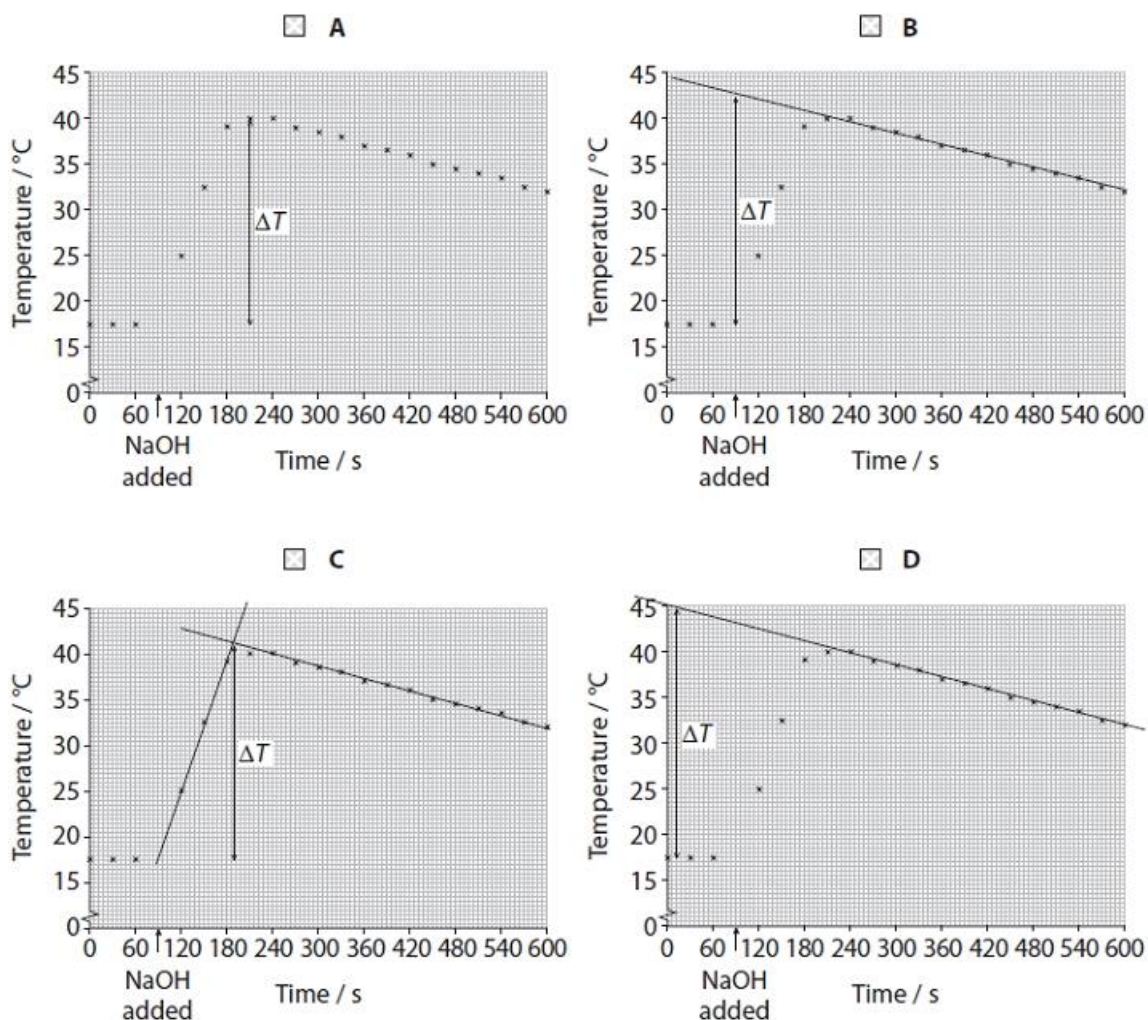
Answer the question with a cross in the box you think is correct . If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box and then mark your new answer with a cross .

The standard molar enthalpy change of neutralisation is the enthalpy change when an acid and an alkali react under standard conditions to form one mole of water.

An experiment was carried out with a solution of ethanoic acid and sodium hydroxide solution of the same concentration.

(i) Which graph shows the correct way that the maximum temperature rise should be determined?

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(ii) Explain why the data book value for the standard enthalpy change of neutralisation of ethanoic acid with sodium hydroxide is $-55.2 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ but the value for hydrochloric acid is $-57.1 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$.

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Q17.

This question is about buffer solutions.

A buffer solution is formed from disodium hydrogenphosphate, containing HPO_4^{2-} ions, and sodium dihydrogenphosphate, containing H_2PO_4^- ions.

Write the **ionic** equations involving HPO_4^{2-} and H_2PO_4^- ions to show how this solution acts as a buffer solution.

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(Total for question = 2 marks)

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Mark Scheme

Q1.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> phenolphthalein (1) pH at equivalence point / 9 is very close / ± 1 to pK_{in} / 9.3 or pH range is (completely) within the (first) vertical jump in the titration curve / between the range of (pH) 8.5 - pH9.5 (1) 	<p>Allow recognisable spellings</p> <p>Allow indicator will change colour in the vertical section of the curve / at the end / equivalence point</p> <p>Accept correct reference to the pH range for phenolphthalein from the data book (8.2-10.0) if there is a connection to the graph Do not allow colourless to pink/red if the colour change of phenolphthalein is mentioned</p>	(2)
Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(ii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> equation 	<p><u>Example of equation</u> $\text{NaHCO}_3 + \text{HCl} \rightarrow \text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{CO}_2$ or $\text{HCO}_3^- + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{CO}_2$ Allow $\text{NaHCO}_3 + \text{HCl} \rightarrow \text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$ Allow multiples Ignore state symbols even if incorrect</p>	(1)

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Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(iii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (solution at X) contains a large amount of / reservoir of carbonate ions / CO_3^{2-} and hydrogencarbonate ions / HCO_3^- (1) carbonate ions / CO_3^{2-} react with added hydrogen ions / H^+ / acid or $\text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{HCO}_3^-$ (1) hydrogencarbonate ions / HCO_3^- react with added hydroxide ions / OH^- / alkali or $\text{HCO}_3^- + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (1) 	<p>Allow there is a large amount of Na_2CO_3 and NaHCO_3 Allow solution at X contains a reservoir of an acid and its conjugate base</p> <p>Allow Na_2CO_3 reacts with added hydrogen ions / H^+ / acid to form NaHCO_3 or $\text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{HCl} \rightarrow \text{HCO}_3^- + \text{Cl}^-$ or $\text{A}^- + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{HA}$</p> <p>Allow NaHCO_3 reacts with added hydroxide ions (to form $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$) Allow hydroxide ions react with hydrogen ions to form water and hydrogencarbonate ions dissociate to replace / form hydrogen ions or $\text{OH}^- + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}$ and $\text{HCO}_3^- \rightarrow \text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{H}^+$ or $\text{HA} + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{A}^- + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ Allow \rightleftharpoons in equations Ignore state symbols</p>	(3)

Q2.

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
(a)	Any one from: Catalyst / speeds up reaction / increases rate / increases rate of attainment of equilibrium / lowers activation energy	Ignore any mention of protonation or mechanism for catalysis Do not award additional incorrect types of reaction	(1)

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Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
(b)(i)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> calculation of moles of H⁺ in 25.0 cm³ (1) calculation of moles of H⁺ in 250 cm³ flask (1) 	Ignore SF throughout 8(b)(i) to 8(c)(ii) except 1 SF, which should be penalised once only <u>Example of calculation:</u> (moles NaOH = $0.200 \times \frac{23.60}{1000}$) = 0.00472 (mol) (= mol H ⁺ in 25.0 cm ³) (= 10×0.00472) = 0.0472 (mol) (in 250 cm ³) Allow TE for M2 on moles of NaOH Correct answer with or without working scores 2 marks	(2)

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
(b)(ii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> subtracts moles of H⁺ in HCl from answer to (b)(i) 	<u>Example of calculation:</u> $0.0472 - 0.00400 = 0.0432$ (mol) Allow TE on answer to part (b)(i)	(1)

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
(c)(i)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> calculation of moles of CH₃COOH that have reacted 	<u>Example of calculation:</u> $(0.105 - 0.0432) = 0.0618$ Allow TE on part (b)(ii) unless negative value	(1)

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
(c)(ii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> calculation of equilibrium moles of CH₃CH₂CH₂OH (1) calculation of equilibrium moles of CH₃COOCH₂CH₂CH₃ (1) calculation of equilibrium moles of H₂O (1) 	<u>Example of calculation:</u> $0.0800 - 0.0618 = 0.0182$ 0.0618 $0.111 + 0.0618 = 0.1728$ Allow TE on answer to part (c)(i) unless negative value	(3)

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
(d)(i)	$(K_c =)$ $\frac{[\text{CH}_3\text{COOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3][\text{H}_2\text{O}]}{[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}][\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}]}$	IGNORE state symbols even if incorrect Do not award round brackets	(1)

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(d)(ii)	<p>An explanation that makes reference to the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Same number of moles/molecules on both sides of the equation <p>(1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (so) volume / V cancels in K_c expression (1) 	<p>2 marks could be scored by a correct mathematical expression showing V or dm^3 cancel</p> <p>Allow same number of terms on top and bottom of K_c expression</p> <p>Allow units cancel out</p> <p>Allow "all divided by the same volume"</p>	(2)

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(d)(iii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> calculates value of K_c (1) final value of K_c quoted to 2 or 3 SF (1) 	<p>Example of calculation</p> $K_c = \frac{(0.0618) \times (0.1728)}{(0.0432) \times (0.0182)} = 13.58241758$ <p>= 14 / 13.6 (no units)</p> <p>Correct answer with no working gains full marks</p> <p>Ignore units</p> <p>No TE on wrong K_c expression</p>	2

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(e)	<p>An explanation that makes reference to the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the equilibrium shifts to the left or the mixture absorbs carbon dioxide from the atmosphere (1) so the mixture is (becoming more) acidic / the acid reforms (1) 	<p>Mark independently</p> <p>Allow no longer alkaline</p> <p>Do not award just "pH decreases"</p>	(2)

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(f)	<p>An explanation that makes reference to the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> carry out / repeat experiment and leave for longer than a week (1) the titre value / K_c value will remain unchanged (if equilibrium has been established) (1) 	<p>Ignore pH probes / checking pH</p> <p>Allow repeat experiment and check titres within first week</p> <p>Allow moles / concentration are unchanged</p> <p>Ignore just "results unchanged"</p>	(2)

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(g)	<p>An answer that makes reference to the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> K_c value will be greater than that calculated in (d)(iii) (1) because the (forward) reaction is endothermic or backward / reverse reaction is exothermic (1) 	<p>M2 depends on M1</p> <p>Ignore References to the equilibrium position shifting to the right (with increasing temperature)</p>	(2)

Q3.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> named indicator (1) matching colour change (1) <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> pH range (of indicator) / quoted range lies (completely) in the vertical region (on the titration curve) <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> indicator will change colour in the vertical / straight / steep region of the graph <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> pH range of indicator and pH range of vertical region of the graph stated, as long as they overlap (1) 	<p><u>Examples of indicators and colour changes</u></p> <p>phenol red – red to orange / yellow</p> <p>phenolphthalein ((in ethanol)) – red / pink to colourless (do not allow purple or clear)</p> <p>bromothymol blue – blue to yellow</p> <p>M2 is conditional on a correct indicator in M1 Do not allow unsuitable indicators e.g. litmus</p> <p>Stand alone mark Allow $pK_{in} (\pm 1)$ is in the vertical jump or pK_{in} is nearest to the pH at the end / equivalence point or indicator will change colour at the end / equivalence point or (because it is a) titration of a weak acid with a strong base</p>	(3)

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(ii)	<p>The only correct answer is C</p> <p><i>A is not correct because used the volumes the wrong way round</i></p> <p><i>B is not correct because not used the volume of glycolic acid from the graph</i></p> <p><i>D is not correct because used a 1:2 mole ratio</i></p>	(1)

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(iii)	<p>The only correct answer is C</p> <p><i>A is not correct because this is the pH of glycolic acid</i></p> <p><i>B is not correct because this is the pH at the end of the vertical jump in the curve</i></p> <p><i>D is not correct because this is the pH at the start of the vertical jump</i></p>	(1)

Q4.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	<p>An answer that makes reference to the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> carbon dioxide dissolved in the blood forms carbonic acid (and so this concentration increases) (1) the equilibrium will shift to the right and produces more H⁺/acid ions (1) the (high) concentration of hydrogencarbonate ions suppress the ionisation of carbonic acid (to help to control pH) or the (large) reservoir/excess of hydrogencarbonate ions combine with the H⁺ ions (to help to control blood pH) (1) 	<p>Can be shown in an equation Do not award 'CO₂ reacts with H⁺ to form carbonic acid'</p> <p>Allow Carbonic acid (partially) dissociates to produce H⁺ Do not award 'CO₂ reacts with H⁺ so equilibrium shifts to the right to produce more H⁺'</p> <p>Ignore general comments about the effects of adding acid and/or alkali to a buffer which do not relate to carbon dioxide</p>	(3)

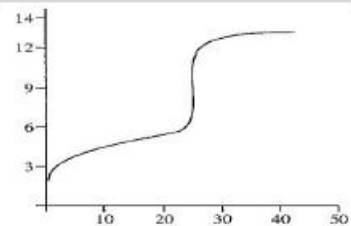
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Q5.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> calculation of the amount of NaOH / salt (1) calculation of initial amount of acid (1) calculation of the amount of acid left (1) calculation of $[H^+]$ (1) 	<p><u>Example of calculation</u> amount of NaOH = amount of salt formed $= 0.100 \times 20.0/1000 = 0.00200$</p> <p>initial amount of acid = $0.150 \times 25.0/1000 = 0.00375$</p> <p>amount of acid left = $0.00375 - 0.00200 = 0.00175$</p> <p>total volume = $20.0 + 25.0 = 45.0 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)}$ $[salt] = 0.00200 \times 1000/45.0 = 0.0444 \text{ (mol dm}^{-3}\text{)}$ $[acid] = 0.00175 \times 1000/45.0 = 0.0389 \text{ (mol dm}^{-3}\text{)}$</p> <p>$K_a = \frac{[H^+][salt]}{[acid]}$ so $[H^+] = K_a \frac{[acid]}{[salt]}$</p> <p>$[H^+] = 1.74 \times 10^{-5} \times 0.0389/0.0444 = 1.52446 \times 10^{-5} \text{ (mol dm}^{-3}\text{)}$</p> <p>Allow use of moles instead of concentrations</p>	(5)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> calculation of pH (1) 	<p>$pH = -\log[H^+] = -\log(1.52446 \times 10^{-5}) = 4.817 / 4.82 / 4.8$</p> <p>Allow TE for each step</p> <p>Ignore SF except 1 SF</p> <p>Correct answer without working score (5)</p> <p>Allow alternative methods, for example $pH = pK_a - \log \frac{[acid]}{[salt]}$ $pH = -\log 1.74 \times 10^{-5} - \log \frac{0.0389}{0.0444}$ $pH = 4.817 / 4.82 / 4.8$ scores M4 and M5</p> <p>or $pH = pK_a + \log \frac{[salt]}{[acid]}$ $pH = -\log 1.74 \times 10^{-5} + \log \frac{0.0444}{0.0389}$ $pH = 4.817 / 4.82 / 4.8$ scores M4 and M5</p>	

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Q6.

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	<p>A sketch graph which shows the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a starting pH between 2 and 4 (inclusive) (1) correct general shape and ends at pH = 12-13 (1) (any) vertical at 25 cm³ (1) vertical between pH = 6 - 7 and pH = 10 - 12 (1) 	 <p>Vertical must be no more than 5 pH units within these ranges</p>	(4)

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(ii)	<p>An explanation that makes reference to the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (Read off) pH at half-neutralisation (point) / pH at 12.5 (cm³) OR pH at half-equivalence (point) (1) As $\text{pH} = \text{p}K_a / [\text{H}^+] = K_a / K_a = 10^{-\text{pH}}$ (1) 	<p>May be shown on the sketch graph ALLOW read equivalence vol, add same volume of (propanoic) acid and measure pH</p> <p>M2 dependent on mentioning half equivalent / 12.5 cm³</p>	(2)

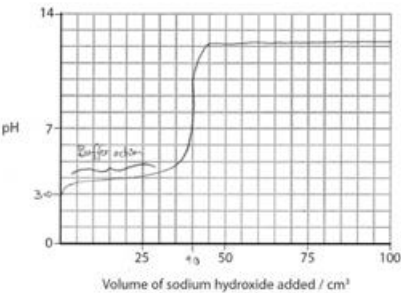
Q7.

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(i)	<p>An assessment that includes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (M1) the vertical part of the graph is at ~7 - 10/ the mid-point is at 8.5-8.8 (1) (M2) the mid-point of the colour change of methyl red is 5.1 (1) (M3) pH range of methyl red does not lie (completely) within the vertical range of the pH curve (so it is not suitable) (1) (M4) the colour change will be complete before the equivalence point is reached (1) 	<p>Allow 'equivalence point/end-point' for 'the vertical part of the graph/ the mid-point'</p> <p>Allow methyl red changes colour in the range/ has a pH range 4.2 - 6.3/ pK_{in} 5.1</p> <p>Allow, after stating M1 and M2, 'this means that methyl red is unsuitable'</p> <p>Allow end-point/neutralisation point for equivalence point Do not award colour change to red</p> <p>Ignore references to choice of other indicators</p>	(4)

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(ii)	An answer that includes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> two ticks and two crosses as shown 	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Indicator</th> <th>pH range</th> <th>Tick or Cross</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Bromocresol purple</td> <td>5.2 - 6.8</td> <td>x</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thymol blue</td> <td>8.0 - 9.6</td> <td>✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thymolphthalein</td> <td>8.3 - 10.6</td> <td>✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Alizarin yellow R</td> <td>10.1 - 13.0</td> <td>x</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Do not award blank boxes for (x)</p>	Indicator	pH range	Tick or Cross	Bromocresol purple	5.2 - 6.8	x	Thymol blue	8.0 - 9.6	✓	Thymolphthalein	8.3 - 10.6	✓	Alizarin yellow R	10.1 - 13.0	x	(1)
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Q8.

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(i)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> general shape of weak acid-strong base curve (1) curve starts at pH of 3.0 and ends at pH of 12-13 (1) vertical part of the curve at 40 cm³ (1) labelling of area indicating buffer action (1) 	<p><u>Exemplar graph</u></p>  <p>Ignore missing initial rise in pH Vertical part must cover 3-5 pH units between 6 – 11</p> <p>The curve should reach pH~12-13 by 10cm³ after vertical section</p> <p>The curve must start at zero and continue to 100 cm³</p> <p>Allow buffering area to be labelled anywhere between ~5 and 35 cm³ inclusive</p>	(4)

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(ii)	<p>An answer that makes reference to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> determine the pH at the point when half of the acid is neutralised (1) $K_a = 10^{-\text{pH}}$ / $K_a = 10^{-\text{p}K_a}$ (1) 	<p>Standalone marks</p> <p>Allow 'pH at half-equivalence point' Allow 'pH at half neutralisation point'</p> <p>Accept description in words such as inverse log of minus pH or value is $\text{p}K_a$ and so inverse log of minus value gives K_a. Allow $\text{p}K_a = -\log K_a$</p> <p>Ignore any calculation</p>	(2)

Q9.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	<p>An answer that makes reference to one of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the colour of the pineapple juice masks the colour change or methyl orange only works with a strong acid or methyl orange does not change colour in the vertical section of the titration curve 	<p>Allow methyl orange is a similar colour to pineapple juice</p> <p>Accept methyl orange cannot be used with a weak acid (and strong alkali)</p> <p>Allow the pH range / 3.2-4.4 / $\text{p}K_{\text{in}}$ of methyl orange is below the equivalence point / too low Allow the colour change would occur before the equivalence point / is not over the equivalence point</p> <p>Allow the pH at the equivalence point is not in the pH range of methyl orange</p> <p>Allow end point for equivalence point</p> <p>Ignore just 'no colour change observed'</p> <p>Ignore just 'end point is not accurate'</p>	(1)

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(ii)	<p>An explanation that makes reference to the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the titre value would be greater (than expected) (1) as the titre value includes the volume of the air bubble (as well as sodium hydroxide solution) (1) 	<p>M2 conditional on M1 scored Allow some alkali / solution is used to fill the air bubble / jet Allow there is less sodium hydroxide in the burette than expected</p>	(2)

Q10.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	<p>An explanation that makes reference to the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (at the end point) all ascorbic acid is used up so the iodine is no longer reduced (to iodide ions) or ascorbic acid reacts with the iodine until all the (ascorbic) acid is used up (1) the (slight excess) iodine reacts / forms complex with the starch (1) (changing from yellow) to a blue/black colour (1) 	<p>Stand alone Allow starch in the presence of iodine Do not award starch and iodide ions</p> <p>Stand alone Allow just black or just (dark) blue Ignore initial colour of solution Do not award blue/black to colourless</p>	(3)

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(ii)	<p>calculation of amount of IO_3^- (aq) (1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> calculation of amount of iodine / ascorbic acid in 5.00 cm^3 sample (1) calculation of amount of ascorbic acid in 150.0 cm^3 sample (1) calculation of amount of citric acid in 150.0 cm^3 sample (1) calculation of mass of citric acid in 150.0 cm^3 sample (1) 	<p><u>Example of calculation</u></p> <p>$= (9.50/1000) \times 0.00100 = 9.50 \times 10^{-6} \text{ (mol)}$</p> <p>$= 9.50 \times 10^{-6} \times 3 = 2.85 \times 10^{-5} \text{ (mol)}$ TE on M1</p> <p>$= 2.85 \times 10^{-5} \times 30 = 8.55 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (mol)}$ TE on M2</p> <p>$= 8.00 \times 10^{-3} - 8.55 \times 10^{-4} = 7.145 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (mol)}$ TE on M3</p> <p>$= 7.145 \times 10^{-3} \times 192 = 1.37184 \text{ g} = 1.37 \text{ (g)}$ TE on M4</p> <p>Ignore SF except 1 SF Correct answer with some or no working scores (5)</p>	(5)

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	<p>An explanation that makes reference to the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> compound E and as it has (two) COOH / (carboxylic) acid group(s) (1) these / this will (also) react with the NaOH / in the titration (in Experiment 1) (1) (the titre will be greater in Experiment 1 so suggests a greater total amount of acid) so the final mass of citric acid calculated will be greater (than the true amount) or the total amount of acid (calculated from the titration) includes citric acid and E so the actual mass of citric acid is less (than calculated in (b)(ii)) (1) 	<p>Allow Compound E is a (di)carboxylic acid Ignore reference to OH group Do not award carbonyl group(s)</p> <p>Do not award if OH group reacts with NaOH</p> <p>Conditional on compound E selected</p>	(3)

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(i)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ticks under titration numbers 2, 3, 4 (1) 17.65 (cm³) (1) 	ignore X under Titration 1 <u>example of calculation</u> $\frac{17.60 + 17.70 + 17.65}{3}$ $= 17.65$ scroll down as mean titre value may be written below (i) rather than in the table units not required must be 2 dp TE from M1 if Titration 1 has been ticked (17.74)	(2)

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(ii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phenolphthalein/ methyl orange (1) colourless to pink / red to orange (1) 	M2 depends on M1 allow any indicator other than litmus or universal indicator allow minor errors in spelling of phenolphthalein but not phenyl... do not award red/pink-red for phenolphthalein nor yellow for methyl orange allow correct colour change for other indicators	(2)

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(iii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> converts [acid] from g dm⁻³ to mol dm⁻³ (1) calculates moles of acid in 25 cm³ (1) calculates moles of sodium hydroxide in titre cm³ (1) converts moles of sodium hydroxide in titre to mol dm⁻³ and gives the answer 3 SF (1) 	<p><u>Example of calculation</u></p> <p>3.80/90.0 = *4.22 x 10⁻² (mol dm⁻³)</p> <p>ans to M1 x 25 x 10⁻³ 25 x 10⁻³ x *4.22 x 10⁻² = **1.0556 x 10⁻³ (mol) allow M1 and M2 in any order one mark only if not divided by 90.0</p> <p>ans to M2** x 2 = 1.0556 x 10⁻³ x 2 = ***2.111 x 10⁻³ (mol)</p> <p>= ans to M3*** x 1000/17.65 = 0.1196 = 0.120 (mol dm⁻³)</p> <p>correct answer with no working scores 4 marks</p>	(4)

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Q12.

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	<p>EITHER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • calculation of $[H^+(aq)]$ (1) • calculation of ratio of $[acid]/[salt]$ or $[salt]/[acid]$ or correct values substituted into expression for ratio (1) • calculation of volume of acid required and salt required (1) <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • calculation of $\log [acid]/[salt]$ using Henderson-Hasselbalch (1) • calculation of ratio of $[acid]/[salt]$ (1) • calculation volume of acid required and salt required (1) 	<p><u>Example of calculation</u></p> <p>$[H^+(aq)] = 10^{-4.70} = 1.9953 \times 10^{-5} \text{ (mol dm}^{-3}\text{)}$</p> <p>$[acid]/[salt] = 1.9953 \times 10^{-5} / 1.74 \times 10^{-5}$ $= 1.1467 : 1 / 1 : 0.872$</p> <p>or</p> <p>$[salt]/[acid] = 1.74 \times 10^{-5} / 1.9953 \times 10^{-5}$ $= 0.872 : 1 / 1 : 1.1467$</p> <p>$(1.1467 / 2.1467) \times 500 = 267 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ acid}$ $500 - 267 = 233 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ salt}$</p> <p>$4.7595 - 4.70 = 0.05945$</p> <p>$10^{0.05945} = 1.1467 : 1$</p> <p>$(1.1467 / 2.1467) \times 500 = 267 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ acid}$ $500 - 267 = 233 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ salt}$ Allow $270 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ acid}$ and $230 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ salt}$</p> <p>Ignore SF except 1 SF but allow 2 / 2.0 / 2.00 x 10^{-5} for M1 in 'EITHER'</p> <p>Allow TE from M1 throughout</p> <p>Correct answer with no working scores (3)</p>	(3)

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Q13.

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(i)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> calculation of acid concentration (1) calculation of salt concentration (1) calculation of hydrogen ion concentration (1) calculation of pH (1) 	<p><u>Example of calculation</u></p> $[\text{Acid}] = ((0.100 \times (20 \div 50)) = 0.04 \text{ (mol dm}^{-3}\text{)})$ $[\text{A}^-] = ((0.305 \times (30 \div 50)) = 0.183 \text{ (mol dm}^{-3}\text{)})$ $[\text{H}^+] = 1.52 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol} \times (0.04 \div 0.183)$ $= 3.322 \times 10^{-6} \text{ (mol dm}^{-3}\text{)}$ $\text{pH} = -\log(3.322 \times 10^{-6})$ $= 5.48/5.5$ <p>Correct answer without working scores (4) Ignore SF except 1SF</p> <p>Allow M3 and M4 if just moles and no volumes are used</p> <p>Accept use of the Henderson-Hasselbalch equation</p>	(4)

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(ii)	<p>An answer which includes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> suitable equation(s) (1) The pH stays approximately constant because there is a large reservoir of undissociated acid and so the ratio of acid:salt does not change (1) 	<p><u>Example equation</u></p> $\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{COOH} + \text{NaOH} \rightarrow \text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{COONa} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ <p>OR</p> $\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{COOH} + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{COO}^- + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ <p>Allow</p> $\text{OH}^- + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}$ <p>followed by</p> $\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{COOH} \rightarrow \text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{COO}^- + \text{H}^+$ <p>Allow use \rightleftharpoons of in all of above equations</p> <p>Allow (The pH stays approximately constant) as the hydroxide ions react to form water and butanoic acid dissociates to replace the hydrogen ions used up</p>	(2)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • calculates moles of X^- / NaOH present in the mixture (1) • calculates moles of HX which remain unreacted (1) • calculates / shows ratio of [HX] to $[X^-]$ OR ratio of moles of HX : X^- (as total V cancels) (1) • re-arranges K_a or pK_a expression correctly and substitutes appropriate values (1) • final pH to 2 or 3SF (1) 	<p>Example of calculation:</p> <p>(moles of X^- = mol NaOH = $\frac{0.8(00) \times 1000}{10.5}$) $= 0.0084(0) / 8.4(0) \times 10^{-3}$ (mol)</p> <p>(moles of HX – mol NaOH = $\frac{0.92(0) \times 1000}{25.0} - 0.0084(0)$) $= 0.023(0) - 0.0084(0)$ $= 0.0146 / 1.46 \times 10^{-2}$ (mol)</p> <p>$[HX] = \frac{0.0146}{0.0355}$ and $[X^-] = \frac{0.0084(0)}{0.0355}$ $= 0.411$ and 0.237 (mol dm^{-3})</p> <p>Allow use of the ratio of the moles as above (as total V cancels)</p> <p>$[H^+] = K_a \times \frac{[HX]}{[X^-]} = 5.25 \times 10^{-5} \times \frac{0.411}{0.237}$ $[H^+] = 9.10443038 \times 10^{-5}$ (mol dm^{-3})</p> <p>pH = 4.04 Allow use of pH expression to get answer: $pH = pK_a - \log \frac{[HX]}{[X^-]}$ or $pK_a + \log \frac{[X^-]}{[HX]}$</p>	(5)
		ALLOW TE M5 for calculation of pH from any $[H^+]$ Correct answer with no working scores (5)	

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Q15.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (M1) calculation of $[H^+]$ (1) • (M2) rearrangement of K_a and calculation of ethanoate concentration (1) • (M3) calculation of the number of moles of ethanoate in the buffer volume (1) • (M4) calculation of the mass of sodium ethanoate in the buffer volume (1) • (M5) answer to 2/3 SF (1) 	<p>Example of calculation $[H^+] = 10^{-3.9} = 1.2589 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (mol dm}^{-3}\text{)}$</p> <p>$[CH_3COO^-] = \frac{(1.74 \times 10^{-5} \times 0.800)}{1.2589 \times 10^{-4}} = 0.11057 \text{ (mol dm}^{-3}\text{)}$</p> <p>$n = (0.11057 \times 0.05) = 5.5285 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (mol)}$</p> <p>$m = (5.5285 \times 10^{-3} \times 82) = 0.453339 \text{ g}$</p> <p>$m = 0.45 / 0.453 \text{ (g)}$</p> <p>Award this mark only if there has been some attempt at calculation using an M_r</p> <p>TE at each stage</p> <p>If Henderson-Hasselbalch equation used (M1) for calculation of $pK_a = 4.759$ (M2) for rearrangement and calculation of ethanoate concentration Remaining marking points as above</p>	(5)

Q16.

Question Number	Answer	Mark
(i)	<p>The only correct answer is B</p> <p><i>A is not correct because there is no extrapolation to the largest temperature increase carried out</i></p> <p><i>C is not correct because the extrapolation is at the wrong time</i></p> <p><i>D is not correct because the extrapolation extends beyond the time of addition of alkali</i></p>	(1)

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(ii)	<p>An explanation that makes reference to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ethanoic acid is a weak(er) acid / only partially ionised/dissociated (1) (some) energy is used to fully/completely ionise the ethanoic acid (1) 	<p>Allow hydrochloric acid is a strong(er) acid/fully ionised</p> <p>Do not award 'more NaOH will react so more energy given off'</p>	(2)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> $\text{HPO}_4^{2-} + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$ or $\text{HPO}_4^{2-} + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^- + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (1) $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^- + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{HPO}_4^{2-} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (1) 	<p>Penalise non-ionic equations, e.g. using NaOH or HCl once only</p> <p>Equations must show reaction of ions with H^+ / H_3O^+ and OH^-</p> <p>Allow \rightleftharpoons</p> <p>Ignore state symbols</p> <p>Allow $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^- \rightarrow \text{HPO}_4^{2-} + \text{H}^+$ and $\text{H}^+ + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}$</p>	(2)