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CHU 2125/CHE 4125 – Analytical Chemistry I - 2009/2010

Duration: One and half-hours

13<sup>th</sup> November 2009 from 4.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

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| Question No. | Marks |
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| 1            |       |
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Instructions to candidates

- \* Answer all questions.
- \* Write down answers on this paper itself, attached sheets will not be graded.

1.(a)(i) Write down two types of buffers and give examples of each type.

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(ii) Write down the expression for  $pH$  of a buffer solution in terms of  $pK_a$  of the weak acid and the concentrations of the weak acid and its conjugate base.

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(iii) Calculate the change in  $pH$  when 0.01 mol of solid NaOH is added to a solution (1.00 dm<sup>3</sup>) which is 0.200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> with respect to HCOOH ( $pK_a = 3.75$ ) and 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> with respect to HCOO<sup>-</sup>. (45 marks)

(b)(i) Write the conditions that must be satisfied by a reaction for it to be used in classical titrimetry methods. (15 marks)

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(ii) Briefly describe, with an example, indirect titration method. (15 marks)

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(c)(i) Draw the structure of the metal complex formed by calcium ions with EDTA.

(ii) The *pH* of drinking water sample (50.0 cm<sup>3</sup>) is adjusted to 10. In a titration using Calmagite as an indicator, the solution required 22.00 cm<sup>3</sup> of 2.5x10<sup>-3</sup> mol dm<sup>-3</sup> EDTA solution to reach the end point. Calculate the hardness of this water sample in

terms of  $\text{mg dm}^{-3}$  of  $\text{CaCO}_3$ . Write any assumption you make. (C=12, O=16, Ca=40)  
(25marks)

2.(a)(i) What is meant by the solubility product of a sparingly soluble compound?

(ii) The solubility product ( $K_{sp}$ ) at  $38^\circ\text{C}$  of lead phosphate,  $\text{Pb}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$  is  $3.0 \times 10^{-44} \text{ mol}^5 \text{ dm}^{-15}$ . Calculate the molar solubility of lead phosphate at  $38^\circ\text{C}$ .

(iii) Predict whether or not a precipitate will be formed when  $10.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.03 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2$  solution is mixed with  $20.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.006 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ NaCl}$  solution.  $K_{sp}$  for  $\text{PbCl}_2$  is  $1.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol}^3 \text{ dm}^{-9}$ .  
(50 marks)





(b)(i) Write the factors that affect the solubility of a precipitate.

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(ii) Briefly describe the processes of contamination that can take place during precipitation. Outline methods that can be used to overcome them. (50 marks)

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3.(a) For the redox reaction;  $\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{Ce}^{4+} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{Ce}^{3+}$

(i) Write down equations for the half cell reactions and the overall chemical reaction.

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(ii) Write down the Nernst equation and the expression for the equilibrium constant.

(iii) Consider the titration of 100.0 ml of  $0.05 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ Fe}^{2+}$  against a solution of  $0.10 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ Ce}^{4+}$  in  $1 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ HClO}_4$  which was monitored potentiometrically. The standard potentials for the half cells  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Ce}^{4+}/\text{Ce}^{2+}$  are 0.767V and 1.70V respectively. The end point of the titration occurs when the volume of  $\text{Ce}^{4+}$  added was 50.00 ml.

(I) Calculate the strength of  $\text{Ce}^{4+}$  solution.

(II) Calculate the cell potential when 25.00 ml, 50.00 ml and 62.50 ml of  $\text{Ce}^{4+}$  was added to the  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  solution.

