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**PHYSICAL SCIENCE**

**0652/51**

Paper 5 Practical Test

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**1 hour 15 minutes**

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: The materials and apparatus listed in the confidential instructions

## 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 40.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].
- Notes for use in qualitative analysis are provided in the question paper.

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- 1 You are going to find the value of  $x$  in the formula of sodium carbonate crystals,  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .  
A weighed sample of sodium carbonate crystals is heated until all of the water has been removed.



The anhydrous sample (sample with no water) is weighed.

The value of  $x$  can be calculated using the equation shown:

$$x = \frac{\text{amount H}_2\text{O}}{\text{amount Na}_2\text{CO}_3}$$

- (a)
- Weigh the empty evaporating basin.
  - Record the mass to the nearest 0.1 g in Table 1.1.
  - Place the sample of sodium carbonate crystals into the evaporating basin.
  - Record, in Table 1.1, the mass of the evaporating basin and sodium carbonate crystals to the nearest 0.1 g.
  - Heat the sodium carbonate crystals carefully with a burner for 5 minutes.
  - Allow the evaporating basin to cool for a few minutes.
  - Weigh the evaporating basin and anhydrous sodium carbonate,  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ .
  - Record, in Table 1.1, the mass of the evaporating basin and anhydrous sodium carbonate to the nearest 0.1 g.

**Table 1.1**

mass of empty evaporating basin	..... g
mass of evaporating basin and sodium carbonate crystals ( $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) before heating	..... g
mass of evaporating basin and anhydrous sodium carbonate ( $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ ) after heating	..... g

[3]

- (b) (i) Calculate the mass of anhydrous sodium carbonate,  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ .

Use the equation:

$$\text{mass anhydrous sodium carbonate} = \text{mass of evaporating basin and anhydrous sodium carbonate} - \text{mass of empty evaporating basin}$$

$$\text{mass of anhydrous Na}_2\text{CO}_3 = \text{..... g [1]}$$

- (ii) Calculate the amount (number of moles) of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ .

Use the equation:

$$\text{amount anhydrous Na}_2\text{CO}_3 = \frac{\text{mass anhydrous Na}_2\text{CO}_3}{106}$$

$$\text{amount of anhydrous Na}_2\text{CO}_3 = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

- (iii) Calculate the mass of water,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , given off.

Use the equation:

$$\text{mass water} = \text{mass of evaporating basin and sodium carbonate crystals} - \text{mass of evaporating basin and anhydrous sodium carbonate}$$

$$\text{mass of H}_2\text{O} = \dots\dots\dots \text{ g } [1]$$

- (iv) Calculate the amount (number of moles) of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .

Use the equation:

$$\text{amount H}_2\text{O} = \frac{\text{mass H}_2\text{O}}{18}$$

$$\text{amount of H}_2\text{O} = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

- (v) Calculate the value of  $x$  in  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .

Use your answers to (b)(ii), (b)(iv) and the equation:

$$x = \frac{\text{amount H}_2\text{O}}{\text{amount anhydrous Na}_2\text{CO}_3}$$

$$x = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

- (c) (i) Explain in detail why repeating the experiment and calculating an average would increase the accuracy of the value of  $x$ .

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.....  
..... [1]

- (ii) Identify **two other** major sources of error in this experiment. For each source of error suggest how the experiment can be improved to make the value of  $x$  more accurate.

The changes suggested must be possible in a school or college laboratory.

error 1 .....

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improvement 1 .....

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error 2 .....

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improvement 2 .....

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[2]

[Total: 11]

**Question 2 begins over the page**

2 You are going to identify three colourless solutions, **A**, **B** and **C**.

- (a) • Pour about 1 cm depth of solution **A** in a clean test-tube.  
• Add universal indicator.

Record the colour in Table 2.1.

- Repeat with solution **B** and solution **C**.

[1]

- (b) • Pour about 1 cm depth of solution **A** into two clean test-tubes.  
• Add a few drops of dilute nitric acid followed by a few drops of aqueous silver nitrate to one test-tube.  
• Add a few drops of dilute nitric acid followed by a few drops of aqueous barium nitrate to the second test-tube.

Record your observations in Table 2.1.

- Repeat with solution **B** and solution **C**.

[2]

**Table 2.1**

test	placed in solution <b>A</b>	placed in solution <b>B</b>	placed in solution <b>C</b>
colour of universal indicator			
dilute nitric acid and aqueous silver nitrate			
dilute nitric acid and aqueous barium nitrate			

- (c) Identify solution **A**.

solution **A** is ..... [1]

- (d) • Place the wooden splint soaked in solution **B** into a blue burner flame.

Record the first colour seen in Table 2.2.

There is no flame colour with solution **C**.

[1]

- (e) • Place about 2 cm depth of solution **B** into a clean test-tube.  
 • Add aqueous copper(II) sulfate until it is in excess.

Record your observations in Table 2.2.

- Repeat with solution **C**.

[2]

**Table 2.2**

test	solution <b>B</b>	solution <b>C</b>
flame colour		none
add aqueous copper(II) sulfate until it is in excess		

- (f) Identify solutions **B** and **C**.

solution **B** is .....

solution **C** is .....

[2]

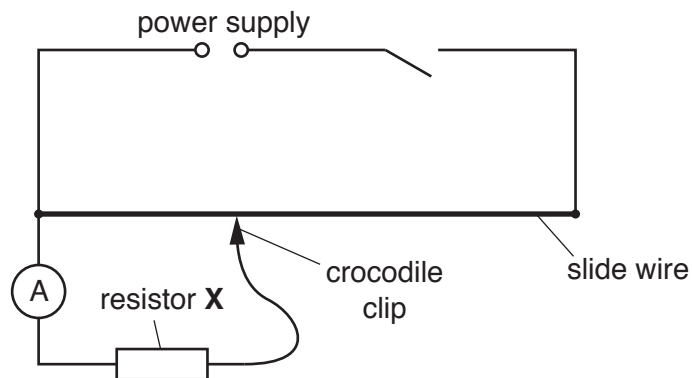
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3 In this experiment, you will determine the resistance of a resistor **X**.

Fig. 3.1 shows most of a circuit that is set up for you. The circuit contains a slide wire to which a crocodile clip can be attached.



**Fig. 3.1**

A voltmeter in the circuit is used to measure the potential difference across resistor **X**.

(a) The voltmeter has been omitted from the diagram of the circuit in Fig. 3.1.

Complete the circuit diagram Fig. 3.1 by adding the symbol for a voltmeter in the correct position to measure the potential difference across resistor **X**. [1]

- (b) (i) • Close the switch.  
• Adjust the position of the crocodile clip on the slide wire until the potential difference  $V$  across the resistor is 0.4V.

Record the value of the current  $I$  in Table 3.1.

[1]

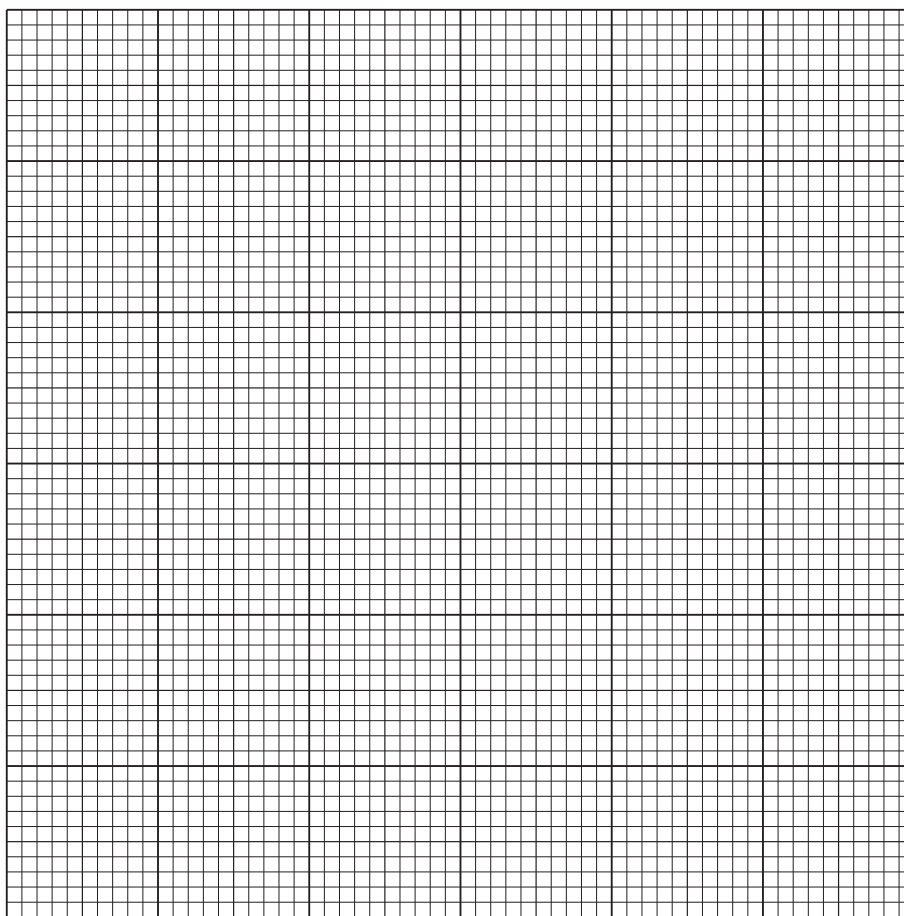
- (ii) • Repeat the procedure in (b)(i) for values of  $V = 0.6\text{V}$ ,  $0.8\text{V}$ ,  $1.0\text{V}$  and  $1.2\text{V}$ .  
• Open the switch.

[1]

**Table 3.1**

$V/\text{V}$	$I/\text{A}$
0.4	
0.6	
0.8	
1.0	
1.2	

- (c) (i) Plot a graph of current  $I$  (vertical axis) against potential difference  $V$ .



[3]

- (ii) Draw the line of best fit.

[1]

- (d) (i) Calculate the gradient  $G$  of the line.

Show all working and indicate clearly on your graph the points you use to calculate the gradient.

$$G = \dots\dots\dots [2]$$

- (ii) The resistance of resistor  $X$ ,  $R_x$ , is equal to  $1/G$ .

Use your value of  $G$  from (d)(i) to calculate  $R_x$ .

Give your answer to a suitable number of significant figures.

$$R_x = \dots\dots\dots \Omega [2]$$

(iii) Resistor **X** was chosen from a selection of resistors with values  $4.7\ \Omega$  or  $5.1\ \Omega$ .

Use your value of  $R_x$  to identify the actual resistance of resistor **X** from the list.

Tick the box to indicate your choice.

- $4.7\ \Omega$
- $5.1\ \Omega$
- either of these
- neither of these

Explain your choice with reference to your calculated value for  $R_x$ .

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[1]

(e) The resistance of resistor **X** can be determined by taking a single pair of values of current  $I$ , and potential difference  $V$  from Table 3.1, and using the equation  $R = V/I$ .

Suggest **one** reason why plotting a graph gives a more accurate value of resistance.

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..... [1]

[Total: 13]

4 A student suggests that the starting temperature of hot water affects its rate of cooling.

The following equipment is available to the student:

- a supply of water
- an electric kettle
- thermometer
- 250 cm<sup>3</sup> beaker
- 250 cm<sup>3</sup> measuring cylinder
- stopwatch
- clamp, boss and stand.

Plan an experiment to investigate the relationship between the starting temperature of water and its rate of cooling.

Your plan should include:

- a brief description of the method, including how you will obtain a range of starting temperatures
- the measurements you will make
- the variables to control
- the table you will draw to record your results, with column headings (you are **not** required to enter any readings in the table)
- an explanation of how you would use your results to reach a conclusion.

A diagram is not required but you may draw one if it helps to explain your plan.

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## NOTES FOR USE IN QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS

## Test for anions

<i>anion</i>	<i>test</i>	<i>test result</i>
carbonate ( $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ )	add dilute acid	effervescence, carbon dioxide produced
chloride ( $\text{Cl}^-$ ) [in solution]	acidify with dilute nitric acid, then add aqueous silver nitrate	white ppt.
bromide ( $\text{Br}^-$ ) [in solution]	acidify with dilute nitric acid, then add aqueous silver nitrate	cream ppt.
nitrate ( $\text{NO}_3^-$ ) [in solution]	add aqueous sodium hydroxide, then aluminium foil; warm carefully	ammonia produced
sulfate ( $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$ ) [in solution]	acidify, then add aqueous barium nitrate	white ppt.

## Test for aqueous cations

<i>cation</i>	<i>effect of aqueous sodium hydroxide</i>	<i>effect of aqueous ammonia</i>
ammonium ( $\text{NH}_4^+$ )	ammonia produced on warming	–
calcium ( $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ )	white ppt., insoluble in excess	no ppt. or very slight white ppt.
copper ( $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ )	light blue ppt., insoluble in excess	light blue ppt., soluble in excess, giving a dark blue solution
iron(II) ( $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ )	green ppt., insoluble in excess	green ppt., insoluble in excess
iron(III) ( $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ )	red-brown ppt., insoluble in excess	red-brown ppt., insoluble in excess
zinc ( $\text{Zn}^{2+}$ )	white ppt., soluble in excess, giving a colourless solution	white ppt., soluble in excess, giving a colourless solution

**Test for gases**

<i>gas</i>	<i>test and test result</i>
ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	turns damp red litmus paper blue
carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> )	turns limewater milky
chlorine (Cl <sub>2</sub> )	bleaches damp litmus paper
hydrogen (H <sub>2</sub> )	'pops' with a lighted splint
oxygen (O <sub>2</sub> )	relights a glowing splint

**Flame tests for metal ions**

<i>metal ion</i>	<i>flame colour</i>
lithium (Li <sup>+</sup> )	red
sodium (Na <sup>+</sup> )	yellow
potassium (K <sup>+</sup> )	lilac
copper(II) (Cu <sup>2+</sup> )	blue-green

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