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**FURTHER EDUCATION
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GRADE 12

PHYSICAL SCIENCES TOPIC TEST

TOPIC: ACIDS AND BASES

30 MAY 2025 (Proposed date)

MARKS: 30

TIME: 36 minutes

This question paper consists of 5 and 1 data sheet

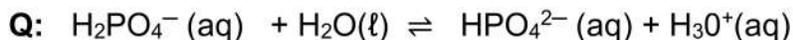
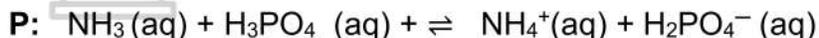
INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. Write your name in the appropriate space on the ANSWER BOOK.
2. This question paper consists of THREE questions. Answer ALL the questions in the ANSWER BOOK.
3. Start EACH Question on a NEW page in the ANSWER BOOK.
4. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
5. Leave one line between two sub questions, for example between QUESTION 2.1 and QUESTION 2.2.
6. You may use a non-programmable calculator.
7. You may use appropriate mathematical instruments.
8. You are advised to use the attached DATA SHEET.
9. Show ALL formulae and substitutions in ALL calculations.
10. Round off your final numerical answers to a minimum of TWO decimal places.
11. Give brief motivations, discussions, etc, where required.
12. Write neatly and legibly.

QUESTION 1: MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS

Various options are provided as possible answers to the following questions. Each question has only ONE correct answer. Choose the answer and write only the letter (A–D) next to the question number (1.1 to 1.2) in the ANSWER BOOK, eg. 1.3E

1.1 Consider the acid-base reactions below.



A substance that act as an ampholyte in these two reactions is....

A H_2O

B H_2PO_4^-

C NH_4^+

D H_3O^+

(2)

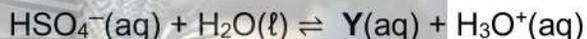
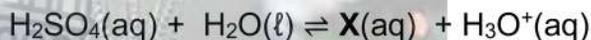
1.2 During a titration, Bromothymol blue is chosen as the most suitable indicator. Which one of the following acid-base pair is used in this titration?

	ACID	BASE
A	Oxalic acid	Sodium hydroxide
B	Hydrochloric acid	Ammonia
C	Sulphuric acid	Sodium hydroxide
D	Nitric acid	Ammonia

(2)
[4]

QUESTION 2

2.1 Sulphuric acid, H_2SO_4 , is a strong acid and ionises in two steps, which are represented by the following incomplete equations.



2.1.1 Define the term *strong acid*. (2)

For Compound **X**, write down:

2.1.2 It's NAME or FORMULA (1)

2.1.3 The NAME or FORMULA of its conjugate acid. (1)

2.1.4 The NAME or FORMULA of its conjugate base. (1)

2.1.5 The nature of compound **Y**. Choose from ACIDIC, BASIC or NEUTRAL. (1)

2.1.6 Use Lowry-Brønsted theory to explain the answer to question 2.1.5 (1)

2.2 A dilute sulphuric acid, H_2SO_4 , solution has a concentration of $0.2 \text{ mol}\cdot\text{dm}^{-3}$. This acid is prepared by adding 10 cm^3 of concentrated H_2SO_4 acid sample to 490 cm^3 of distilled water.

2.2.1 Calculate the concentration of the concentrated H_2SO_4 acid sample. (3)

The diluted H_2SO_4 acid is reacted with ammonia solution, according to the following balanced equation:



Some $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4(\text{aq})$ formed is dissolved in water in the test tube.

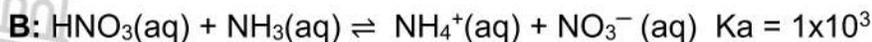
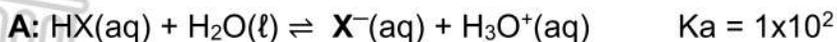
2.2.2 Is the PH of the solution in the test tube ACIDIC, NEUTRAL or BASIC? (1)

2.2.3 Write down a balanced ionic equation to explain the answer to QUESTION 2.2.2 (2)

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QUESTION 3

3.1 Consider the following acid-base reactions.

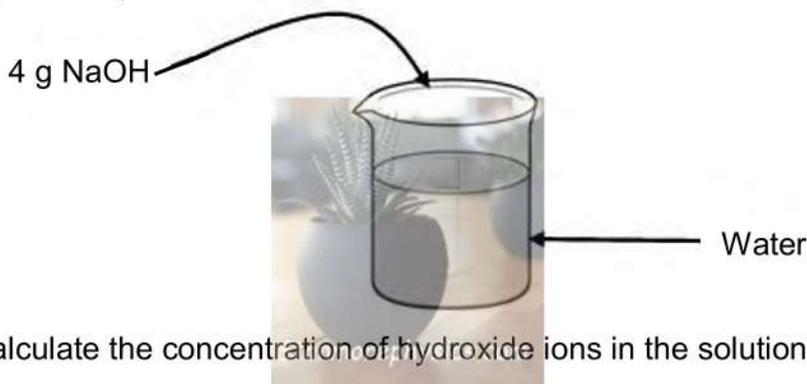


3.1.1 Which acid HNO_3 or HX has a lower PH? (1)

3.1.2 From reactions **A** and **B** identify the reaction that illustrates Arrhenius theory (1)

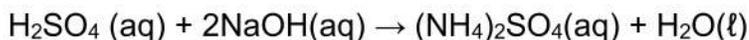
3.1.3 From reactions **A**, write down the FORMULS or NAME of the weakest acid. (1)

3.2 sodium hydroxide solution, $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$, is prepared in a beaker by dissolving 4 g of sodium hydroxide pellets in water to make a 500cm^3 solution.



3.2.1 Calculate the concentration of hydroxide ions in the solution. (3)

3.2.2 During a titration, 25 cm^3 of a sulphuric acid, $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4(\text{aq})$ solution neutralises $12,5\text{ cm}^3$ of sodium hydroxide solution according to the following balanced chemical equation.



Calculate the PH of sulphuric acid solution.

(7)
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PAPER 2 (CHEMISTRY)

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$c = \frac{n}{V}$ or $c = \frac{m}{MV}$	$n = \frac{V}{V_m}$

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These marking guidelines consist of 3 pages

QUESTION 1

1.1 B ✓✓ (2)

1.3 C ✓✓ (2)

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QUESTION 2

2.1.1 Acid that ionises completely in water to form a high concentration of H_3O^+ ions. ✓✓ (2)

2.1.2 Hydrogen sulphate ion/ HSO_4^- ✓ (1)

2.1.3 Sulphuric acid/ H_2SO_4 ✓ (1)

2.1.4 SO_4^{2-} ✓ (1)

2.1.5 BASIC ✓ (1)

2.1.6 It is a Proton acceptor ✓ (1)

2.2.1 $n(\text{concentrated}) = n(\text{dilute})$
 $CV = CV$ ✓
 $C(0,01) = (0,2)(0,5)$ ✓
 $C_{(\text{conc})} = 10 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$ ✓ (3)

2.2.2 ACIDIC ✓ (1)

2.2.3 $\text{NH}_4^+(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\ell) \rightarrow \text{NH}_3(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+(\text{aq})$ ✓ (Ignore the phases) (2)

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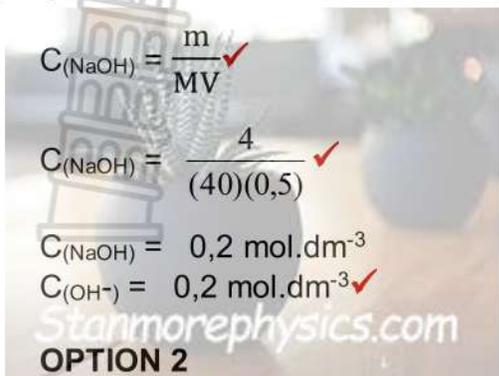
QUESTION 3

3.1.1 HNO_3 ✓ (1)

3.1.2 A ✓ (1)

3.1.3 H_3O^+ ✓ (1)

3.2.1 **OPTION 1**



$$C_{(\text{NaOH})} = \frac{m}{MV}$$

$$C_{(\text{NaOH})} = \frac{4}{(40)(0,5)}$$

$$C_{(\text{NaOH})} = 0,2 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$$

$$C_{(\text{OH}^-)} = 0,2 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$$

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OPTION 2

$$n_{(\text{NaOH})} = \frac{m}{M}$$

$$n_{(\text{NaOH})} = \frac{4}{40} = 0,1 \text{ mol}$$

$$C_{(\text{NaOH})} = \frac{n}{v}$$

$$C_{(\text{NaOH})} = \frac{0,1}{0,5}$$

$$C_{(\text{NaOH})} = 0,2 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$$

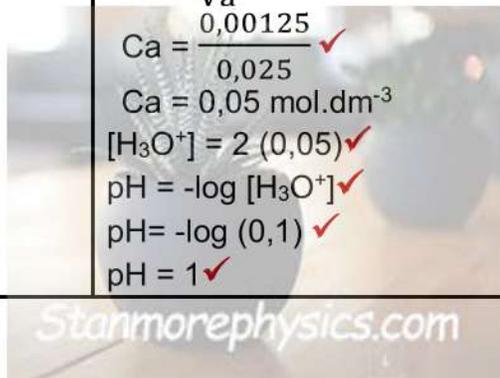
$$C_{(\text{OH}^-)} = 0,2 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$$



(3)

3.2.2

OPTION 1	OPTION 2
$\frac{C_a V_a}{C_b V_b} = \frac{n_a}{n_b}$ $\frac{C_a(25)}{(0,2)(12,5)} = \frac{1}{2}$ $C_a = 0,05 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$ $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 2(0,05)$ $\text{pH} = -\log [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$ $\text{pH} = -\log (0,1)$ $\text{pH} = 1$	$n_b = C_b V_b$ $n_b = (0,2)(0,0125)$ $n_b = 0,0025 \text{ mol}$ $n_a = \frac{1}{2} \times 0,0025 = 0,00125$ $C_a = \frac{n_a}{V_a}$ $C_a = \frac{0,00125}{0,025}$ $C_a = 0,05 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$ $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 2(0,05)$ $\text{pH} = -\log [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$ $\text{pH} = -\log (0,1)$ $\text{pH} = 1$



(7)

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