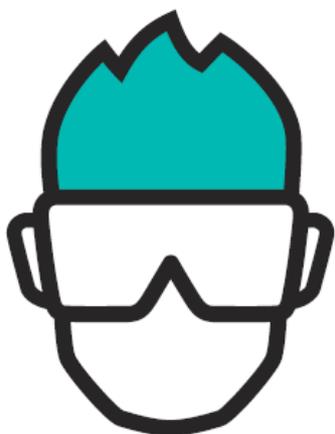


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General instructions

- This practical exam booklet contains 28 pages.
- Before the start of the exam, you will have additional 15 minutes to read the exam booklet. **Do not work, write or calculate during this time, otherwise you will be disqualified.**
- You may begin working as soon as the **Start** command is given.
- You have **5 hours** to complete the exam.
- You may work on the tasks in any order, but starting with Problem P1 is recommended.
- All results and answers must be clearly written **in pen in their respective designed areas** on the exam papers. Answers written outside the answer boxes will not be graded.
- Do not use a pencil or a marker to write the answers. Use only the pen and calculator provided.
- You were provided with 3 sheets of scratch paper. If you need more, use the backside of the exam sheets. Remember that **nothing outside the designed areas will be graded.**
- **The official English version** of the exam booklet is available upon request and serves for clarification only.
- If you need to leave the laboratory (to use the toilet or have a drink or snack), tell your lab assistant. He or she will come to accompany you.
- You must **follow the safety rules** given in the IChO regulations. If you break the safety rules, you will receive only one warning from the lab assistant. Any safety rule violations after the first warning will result in your dismissal from the laboratory and 0 marks for the entire practical examination.
- Chemicals and labware, unless otherwise noted, will be refilled or replaced without penalty only for the first item. Each further incident will result in the deduction of 1 point from your 40 practical exam points.
- The lab assistant will announce a 30 minute warning before the **Stop** command.
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- After the **Stop** command has been given, a lab assistant will come to sign your answer sheet. After both the assistant and you sign, place this exam booklet back in the exam envelope and submit it for grading together with your products and TLC plates.



Lab rules and safety

- You must wear a lab coat and keep it buttoned up. Footwear must completely cover the foot and heel.
- Always wear safety glasses or prescription glasses when working in the lab. Do not wear contact lenses.
- Do not eat or drink in the lab. Chewing gums are not allowed.
- Work only in the designed area. Keep your work area and the common work areas tidy.
- No unauthorized experiments are allowed. No modification of the experiments is allowed.
- Do not pipet with your mouth. Always use a bulb pipette filler.
- Clean up spills and broken glassware immediately from both the bench and the floor.
- All waste must be properly discarded to prevent contamination or injury. Non-hazardous water soluble/miscible lab waste is eligible for sink disposal. Other lab waste must be disposed of in a marked capped container.



Definition of GHS hazard statements

The GHS hazard statements (H-phrases) associated with the materials used are indicated in the problems. Their meanings are as follows.

Physical hazards

- H225 Highly flammable liquid and vapour.
- H226 Flammable liquid and vapour.
- H228 Flammable solid.
- H271 May cause fire or explosion; strong oxidizer.
- H272 May intensify fire; oxidizer.
- H290 May be corrosive to metals.

Health hazards

- H301 Toxic if swallowed.
- H302 Harmful if swallowed.
- H304 May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.
- H311 Toxic in contact with skin.
- H312 Harmful in contact with skin.
- H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
- H315 Causes skin irritation.
- H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.
- H318 Causes serious eye damage.
- H319 Causes serious eye irritation.
- H331 Toxic if inhaled.
- H332 Harmful if inhaled.
- H333 May be harmful if inhaled.
- H334 May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.
- H335 May cause respiratory irritation.
- H336 May cause drowsiness or dizziness.
- H351 Suspected of causing cancer.
- H361 Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
- H371 May cause damage to organs.
- H372 Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
- H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Environmental hazards

- H400 Very toxic to aquatic life.
- H402 Harmful to aquatic life.
- H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.
- H411 Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.
- H412 Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.



Chemicals

For all problems

| Chemicals | Labelled as | GHS hazard statements ¹ |
|--|--------------|------------------------------------|
| Deionized water in: Wash bottle (bench) Plastic bottle (bench) Plastic canister (hood) | Water | Not hazardous |

For Problem P1 (in white basket if not stated otherwise)

| Chemicals | Labelled as | GHS hazard statements ¹ |
|---|--|---|
| Ethanol , 100 cm ³ in wash bottle (bench) | Ethanol | H225, H319 |
| 2-Acetonaphthone : ca. 0.002 g in glass vial, standard for TLC 0.500 g in glass vial | Standard A | H302, H315, H319, H335, H411 |
| | Reactant A | |
| 2,4-Dinitrophenylhydrazine , containing 33% (w/w) of water, 0.300 g in glass vial | DNPH | H228, H302 |
| Bleach solution, containing 4.7% of NaClO , 13.5 cm ³ in amber glass bottle | Bleach | H290, H314, H400 |
| Ethyl acetate , 15 cm ³ in amber glass bottle | EtOAc | H225, H319, H336 |
| Eluent for thin layer chromatography, hexanes/ethyl acetate 4:1 (v/v), 5 cm ³ in amber glass bottle | TLC eluent | H225, H304, H315, H336, H411 ² |
| 5% Na₂CO₃ , aqueous solution, 20 cm ³ in plastic bottle | 5% Na₂CO₃ | H319 |
| 20% HCl , aqueous solution, 15 cm ³ in plastic bottle | 20% HCl | H290, H314, H319, H335 and others |

For Problem P2 (in green basket)

| Chemicals | Labelled as | GHS hazard statements ¹ |
|---|---|------------------------------------|
| 8 mmol dm ⁻³ luminol in 0.4 mol dm ⁻³ NaOH aqueous solution, 50 cm ³ in plastic bottle | Luminol in NaOH | H290, H315, H319 |
| 2.00 mmol dm ⁻³ CuSO₄ aqueous solution, 25 cm ³ in plastic bottle | Cu | Not hazardous |
| 2.00 mol dm ⁻³ H₂O₂ aqueous solution, 12 cm ³ in small plastic bottle | H₂O₂ conc. | H302, H315, H318 |
| 0.100 mol dm ⁻³ cysteine hydrochloride aqueous solution, 12 cm ³ in small plastic bottle | Cys conc. | Not hazardous |
| Water , 50 cm ³ in plastic bottle | Water | Not hazardous |

¹ See page 3 for the definition of the GHS hazard statements.

² The GHS hazard statements for hexanes.



For Problem P3 (in grey basket if not stated otherwise)

| Chemicals | Labelled as | GHS hazard statements ¹ |
|--|-------------|------------------------------------|
| Sample of mineral water, 400 cm ³ in plastic bottle (bench) | Sample | Not hazardous |
| 3 mol dm ⁻³ NH ₄ Cl / 3 mol dm ⁻³ NH ₃ solution in water, 15 cm ³ in plastic bottle | Buffer | H302, H319, H314, H400 |
| NaCl, solid, 10 g in plastic bottle | NaCl | H319 |
| Eriochrome black T, indicator mixture in plastic bottle | EBT | H319 |
| Bromothymol blue, indicator solution in plastic bottle | BTB | H302, H315, H319 |
| 5.965 × 10 ⁻³ mol dm ⁻³ disodium ethylenediamine tetraacetate standard solution, 200 cm ³ in plastic bottle (bench) | EDTA | H302, H315, H319, H335 |
| 0.2660 mol dm ⁻³ NaOH standard solution, 250 cm ³ in plastic bottle (bench) | NaOH | H314 |
| Strong acidic cation exchange resin, in H ⁺ form, 50 cm ³ of swollen material washed with deionized water in plastic bottle | Catex | H319 |

Equipment

For all problems (on shelf if not stated otherwise)

| Shared equipment | Quantity |
|--|---------------|
| Paper wipes | 1 box for 2–4 |
| Waste paper basket (bench, close to sink) | 1 for 4 |
| Nitrile gloves (hood) | 1 box for lab |
| Personal equipment | |
| Safety goggles | 1 |
| Pipette stand (bench) | 1 |
| Bulb pipette filler | 1 |
| Glass beaker, 100 cm ³ , containing: glass rod, plastic spoon, spatula, tweezers, marker, pencil, ruler | 1 (each) |

For Problem P1 (in white basket if not stated otherwise)

| Shared equipment | Quantity |
|--|----------------|
| UV lamp (hood) | 1 for up to 12 |
| Vacuum source (plastic stopcock with vacuum hose, bench) | 1 for 2 |
| Personal equipment | |
| Hotplate stirrer (bench) with: Temperature probe, Crystallizing dish, with metallic clip | 1 (each) |



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|--|----------|
| Laboratory stand (bench) with: Clamp holder with small clamp Clamp holder with large clamp | 1 (each) |
| Organic waste plastic bottle (bench) | 1 |
| Open metal ring | 1 |
| Round bottom flask, 50 cm ³ , with magnetic stir bar | 1 |
| Measuring cylinder, 10 cm ³ | 1 |
| Reflux condenser | 1 |
| Separatory funnel, 100 cm ³ , with stopper | 1 |
| Erlenmeyer flask without ground joint, 50 cm ³ | 1 |
| Erlenmeyer flask without ground joint, 25 cm ³ | 1 |
| Erlenmeyer flask with ground joint, 50 cm ³ | 1 |
| Glass funnel | 1 |
| Suction flask, 100 cm ³ | 1 |
| Rubber adapter for filter funnel | 1 |
| Fritted glass filter funnel, porosity S2 (white label) | 1 |
| Fritted glass filter funnel, porosity S3 (orange label) | 1 |
| Glass beaker, 50 cm ³ , with Petri dish lid | 1 |
| Glass beaker, 150 cm ³ | 1 |
| TLC graduated capillary spotter, 5 µl | 3 |
| Zippered bag with 5 pH indicator strips and 1 pH scale | 1 |
| Zippered bag with 2 TLC plates | 1 |
| Glass Pasteur pipette | 4 |
| Rubber bulb | 1 |
| Glass vial labelled Student code B for the product of the haloform reaction | 1 |
| Glass vial labelled Student code C for the product of the reaction with Brady's reagent | 1 |

For Problem P2 (in green basket if not stated otherwise)

| Personal equipment | Quantity |
|---|----------|
| Stopwatch | 1 |
| Digital thermometer and card with its calibration constant | 1 |
| Volumetric flask, 50 cm ³ | 1 |
| Bulb pipette, 5 cm ³ (bench, in pipette stand) | 1 |
| Graduated pipette, 5 cm ³ (bench, in pipette stand) | 3 |
| Graduated pipette, 1 cm ³ (bench, in pipette stand) | 2 |
| Plastic bottle labelled H₂O₂ dil. for diluted stock solution of H ₂ O ₂ , 50 cm ³ | 1 |
| Plastic bottle labelled Cys dil. for diluted stock solution cysteine.HCl, 50 cm ³ | 1 |
| Black plastic test tube, 15 cm ³ | 1 |
| Capless centrifuge tube, 1.5 cm ³ | 1 |



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|---------------------------------------|---|
| Plastic beaker, 25 cm ³ | 1 |
| Erlenmeyer flask, 100 cm ³ | 1 |

For Problem P3 (in grey basket if not stated otherwise)

| Personal equipment | Quantity |
|--|----------|
| Laboratory stand (bench) with: White sheet of paper Burette clamp Burette, 25 cm ³ | 1 (each) |
| Bulb pipette, 50 cm ³ (bench, in pipette stand) | 1 |
| Bulb pipette, 10 cm ³ (bench, in pipette stand) | 1 |
| Glass funnel | 1 |
| Measuring cylinder, 5 cm ³ | 1 |
| Titration flask (flat bottom flask), 250 cm ³ | 2 |
| Erlenmeyer flask, 250 cm ³ | 1 |
| Fritted glass filter funnel, porosity S1 (blue label) | 1 |
| Glass beaker, 100 cm ³ | 2 |
| Glass beaker, 250 cm ³ | 1 |
| Plastic Pasteur pipette, narrow stem, nongraduated | 2 |
| Plastic Pasteur pipette, thick stem, graduated | 1 |
| Zippered bag with 5 pH indicator strips and 1 pH scale | 1 |
| Zippered bag with 5 absorbing paper strips | 1 |
| Waste catex plastic bottle (bench) | 1 |

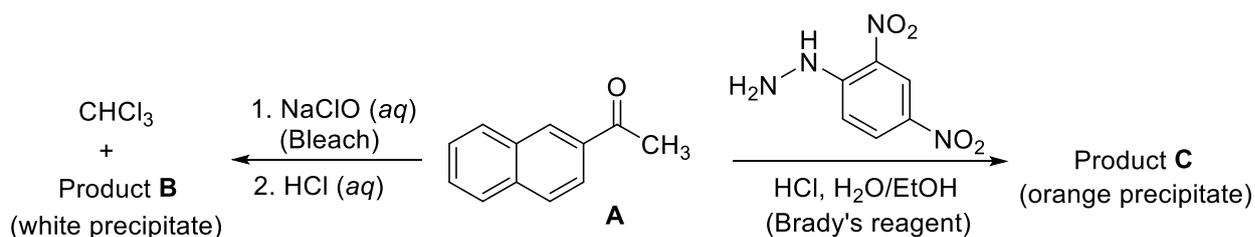


| Practical Problem P1 14% of the total | Question | 1.1 | 1.2 | yield | m.p. | Total |
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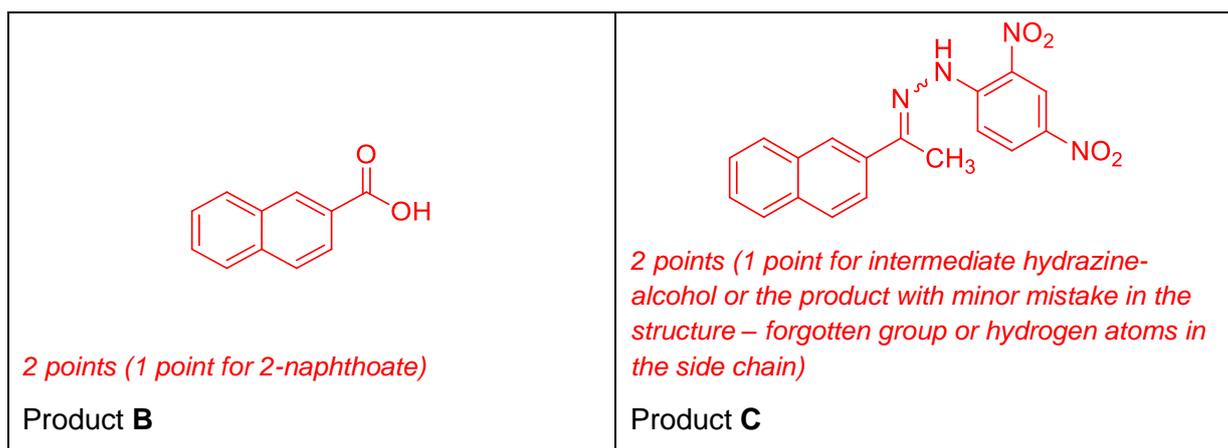
Problem P1. Haloform reaction with bleach

Chemical test reactions have been developed as a means of identifying functional groups in unknown compounds. In this task, you will explore two examples of chemical test reactions on a preparatory scale, starting from (2-naphthyl)ethanone (**A**, 2-acetonaphthone):

- The haloform reaction is a transformation typical for methyl ketones which react with basic aqueous hypochlorite solution and provide a carboxylic acid (product **B**) and a haloform (trihalomethane).
- The reaction of Brady's reagent (acidic solution of 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine) with the carbonyl group of an aldehyde or ketone results in the formation of an orange hydrazone precipitate (product **C**).



P1.1 Draw the structures of products **B** and **C**.



Notes:

- The total score will be based on the R_f values of compounds **A** and **B** calculated from the submitted TLC plate 1 and on the quality and quantity of the submitted products **B** and **C**.
- The quality of your products will be graded based on the TLC and melting points.
- The amount of the provided hypochlorite solution is not sufficient to convert all reactant **A** to product **B**. You will recover the residual reactant **A** by an acid-base extraction and isolate it after



the reaction with Brady's reagent as hydrazone **C**. The grading is based on the combined yield of products **B** and **C**.

Procedure

I. Haloform reaction

1. Turn on the stirrer and adjust the speed to 540 rpm. Immerse a temperature probe, resting the wire on the upper clamp into the bath almost to the bottom and set the temperature to 80 °C.
2. Transfer the 0.500 g of 2-acetonaphthone from the vial labelled **Reactant A** into a 50 cm³ round bottom flask that contains a magnetic stir bar. Measure 3 cm³ of ethanol (from the wash bottle) in a measuring cylinder and use it to transfer the remaining reactant **A** quantitatively into the round bottom flask using a glass Pasteur pipette.
3. Place the round bottom flask into the hot water bath. Attach an air reflux condenser (water connection is not needed) and secure it in the upper part by a loosely attached large clamp, as shown in Figure 1. Let compound **A** dissolve with stirring.

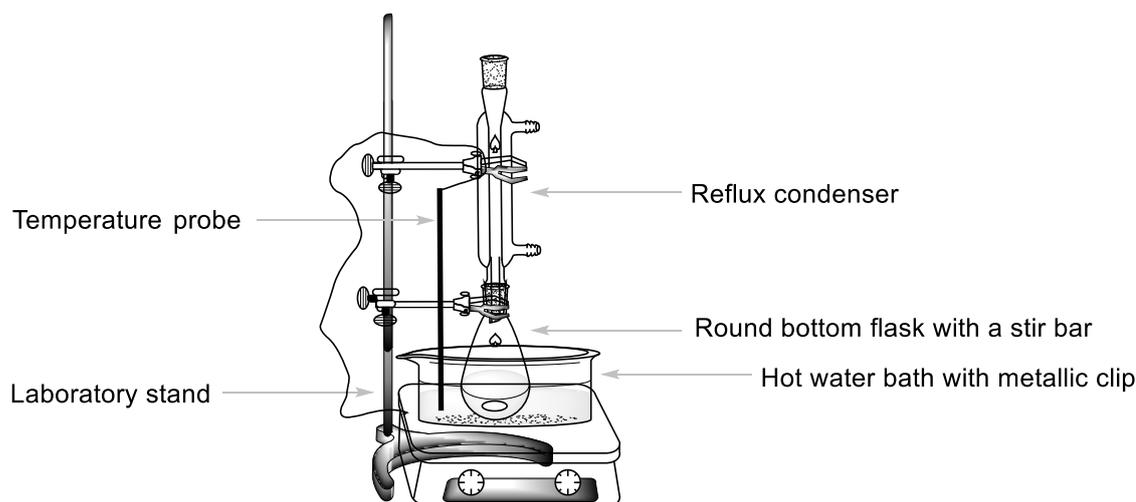


Figure 1. Setup for heating the reaction mixture in a water bath.

4. When the bath temperature reaches 75 °C, slowly add all the NaClO solution (**Bleach**) to the reaction mixture through the top opening of the condenser using a small glass funnel. Heat the reaction mixture with stirring for 60 minutes between 75 and 80 °C.
5. Then turn off the heating of the hotplate stirrer. Loosen the upper clamp a bit and lift the reaction flask over the water bath. (*Caution!* Touch only the clamps, the flask is hot.) Allow the reaction mixture to cool down for 15 minutes.

II. Workup of the reaction mixture

1. Place a separatory funnel into a metal ring and place a 50 cm³ Erlenmeyer flask without a ground joint under it. Using a glass funnel, pour the cooled reaction mixture into the separatory funnel. Remove the stir bar from the glass funnel with tweezers. Measure 5 cm³ of ethyl acetate (**EtOAc**) and use it to rinse the reaction flask.. Add the washings into the separatory funnel using a glass Pasteur pipette.



- Perform the extraction. Allow the layers to separate. Collect the aqueous layer into the 50 cm³ Erlenmeyer flask without a ground joint. Using a small glass funnel, pour the organic layer through the top neck into the 25 cm³ Erlenmeyer flask. Keep both phases!
- Using a small funnel, pour the aqueous phase from the 50 cm³ Erlenmeyer flask back to the separatory funnel. Measure another 5 cm³ of ethyl acetate and repeat the extraction (step No. II.2). Combine the organic phases together in the 25 cm³ Erlenmeyer flask. Keep both phases!
- Prepare your TLC plate. Check it before use. Unused damaged plates will be replaced upon request without penalty. Use a pencil to draw the start line and mark the positions for spotting the samples. Write number **1** in a circle and your student code on the top of the TLC plate as shown in Figure 2. Dissolve the given sample of 2-acetonaphthone in a vial (**Standard A**) in ca. 2 cm³ of ethanol (about 1 full glass Pasteur pipette). Mark three spot positions and label them **A**, **O1**, and **O2**. Spot 1 μl (one mark of the 5 μl capillary spotter) of standard **A** and the combined organic phase from step II.3 (**O1**). You will add spot **O2** later.

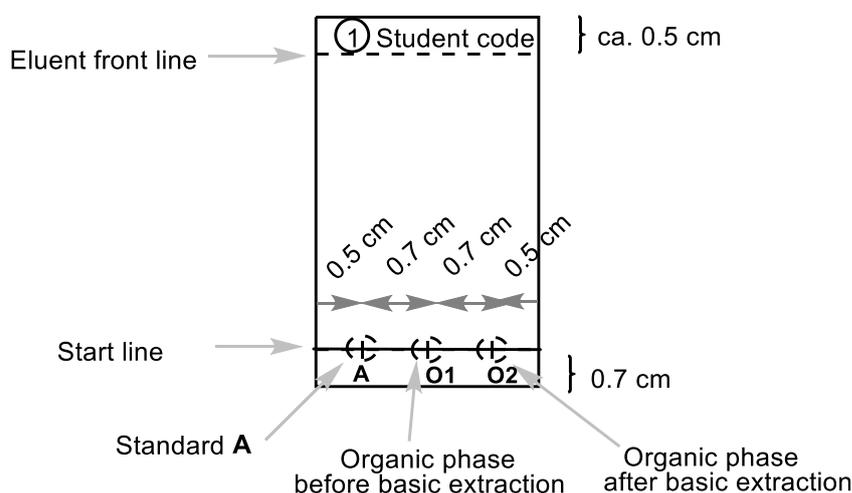


Figure 2. Instructions for the TLC plate preparation.

- Extract the combined organic phases twice with 5 cm³ of 5% Na₂CO₃ solution. Collect the aqueous phase into the same 50 cm³ Erlenmeyer flask without a ground joint containing the aqueous phase from the first extraction.
- Wash the organic phase in the funnel with 5 cm³ of deionized water. Add the aqueous phase to the combined aqueous extracts. Pour the organic layer (**O2**) through the top neck into a 50 cm³ ground-joint Erlenmeyer flask. Spot 1 μl of the solution **O2** on your TLC plate prepared in step II.4 (Plate 1).
- Perform a TLC analysis. Take a 50 cm³ beaker and load it with ca. 2 cm³ of the **TLC eluent**. Insert the TLC plate, cover the beaker with a Petri dish and let the eluent reach approximately 0.5 cm below the top edge of the plate. Using tweezers, take the TLC plate out, draw the eluent front line and let the plate air-dry. Place the TLC plate under the UV lamp in the hood. With a pencil, circle all the visualized spots and calculate the *R_f* values of reactant **A** and product **B**. Store your TLC plate in a plastic bag.

Note 1: Product **B** may tail on the TLC plate. Therefore, avoid excessive loading of the sample.



Note 2: In some cases, two additional spots of side products of a very low intensity may be seen in combined organic phase **O1** and **O2**. In this case, calculate the R_f value for the most intense spot(s).

Note 3: If the organic layer **O2** still contains both starting material **A** and product **B**, repeat the extraction with the Na_2CO_3 solution and water (steps No. II.5 and II.6). In this case, submit also another TLC plate after the repeated extraction (Plate 2), spotting only standard **A** and organic phase **O2**. Mark number **2** in a circle and your student code on the top of this TLC plate. Use a fresh batch of eluent to develop TLC Plate 2.

P1.2 Answer the following questions about your Plate(s). From Plate 1, calculate the R_f values of standard **A** and product **B**. Provide the results rounded to 2 decimal places.

| | | |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Based on the TLC analysis, your organic layer O1 contains: | | |
| | YES | NO |
| Starting material A | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Product B | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>0.5 point for correct observation about starting material on Plate 1 (in accordance with TLC)</i> | | |
| <i>0.5 point for correct observation about product B (in accordance with TLC)</i> | | |
| Based on the TLC analysis, your final organic layer O2 contains: | | |
| | YES | NO |
| Starting material A | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Product B | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>0.5 point for correct observation about starting material on final plate (in accordance with TLC)</i> | | |
| <i>0.5 point for correct observation about product B (in accordance with TLC)</i> | | |
| <i>Max 2 points for the correct preparation and development of the TLC plate 1: (labelling of the plate with number 1 and student code, start line and eluent front line, initial position of the spots, labels of the spots, developed spots in circles)</i> | | |
| <i>-0.5 points for any from the above missing, no negative total points</i> | | |
| Calculation of the $R_f(\mathbf{A})$ = distance of the spot from start line/distance between the start and eluent front lines | | |
| $R_f(\mathbf{A})$ = reported by the student | | |
| $R_f(\mathbf{A})^*$ R_f value calculated by the Scientific Committee (SciC) for the starting material based on the submitted TLC plate 1 | | |
| 1 point for the calculation of the R_f value | | |
| 1 point for the agreement with the SciC result: | | |
| $R_f(\mathbf{A})^* + 0.02 \geq R_f(\mathbf{A}) \geq R_f(\mathbf{A})^* - 0.02$ 1 point | | |
| $R_f(\mathbf{A})^* + 0.02 > R_f(\mathbf{A})$ 0 points | | |
| $R_f(\mathbf{A})^* - 0.02 < R_f(\mathbf{A})$ 0 points | | |
| Master value (MV) = 0.67 (determined from parallel data collected on practical exam day) | | |
| Max 4 points for the calculated R_f value | | |
| $MV - 0.07 \leq R_f(\mathbf{A})^* \leq MV + 0.07$ 4 points | | |
| $MV - 0.07 > R_f(\mathbf{A})^* > MV - 0.14$ | | |
| $\text{Number of points} = \left(\frac{R_f(\mathbf{A})^* - (MV - 0.14)}{0.07} \right) \times 4 \text{ points}$ | | |
| $MV + 0.07 < R_f(\mathbf{A})^* < MV + 0.14$ | | |



$$\text{Number of points} = \left(\frac{MV + 0.14 - R_f(\mathbf{A})^*}{0.07} \right) \times 4 \text{ points}$$

$MV + 0.14 \leq R_f(\mathbf{A})^*$ 0 points

$MV - 0.14 \geq R_f(\mathbf{A})^*$ 0 points

Calculation of the $R_f(\mathbf{B})$ = distance of the spot from start line/distance between the start and eluent front lines

$R_f(\mathbf{B})$ = reported by the student

$R_f(\mathbf{B})^*$ R_f value calculated by the Scientific Committee (SciC) for product **B** based on the submitted TLC plate 1

1 point for the calculation of the R_f value

1 point for the agreement of the student's and SciC result

$R_f(\mathbf{B})^* + 0.02 \geq R_f(\mathbf{B}) \geq R_f(\mathbf{B})^* - 0.02$ 1 point

$R_f(\mathbf{B})^* + 0.02 > R_f(\mathbf{B})$ 0 point

$R_f(\mathbf{B})^* - 0.02 < R_f(\mathbf{B})$ 0 point

Master value (MV) = 0.12 (determined from parallel data collected on practical exam day)

Max 4 points for the calculated R_f value

$MV + 0.05 \geq R_f(\mathbf{B})^* \geq MV - 0.05$ 4 points

$MV - 0.05 > R_f(\mathbf{B})^* > MV - 0.10$

$$\text{Number of points} = \frac{R_f(\mathbf{B})^* - (MV - 0.10)}{0.05} \times 4 \text{ points}$$

$MV + 0.05 < R_f(\mathbf{B})^* < MV + 0.10$

$$\text{Number of points} = \frac{MV + 0.10 - R_f(\mathbf{B})^*}{0.05} \times 4 \text{ points}$$

$R_f(\mathbf{B})^* \leq MV + 0.10$ 0 points

$MV - 0.10 \leq R_f(\mathbf{B})^*$ 0 points

III. Reaction with Brady's reagent

Attention: Use gloves! Brady's reagent stains skin and all surfaces. Wash any spots immediately with ethanol! Change your gloves if necessary.

Preheat the water bath to 80 °C. Insert a magnetic stir bar into the 50 cm³ ground-joint Erlenmeyer flask containing the organic phase **O2** from step II.6 and add 0.300 g of 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine (**DNPH**). In a graduated cylinder, measure 10 cm³ of ethanol. Using a glass Pasteur pipette, rinse the glass vial with 5 × 2 cm³ of ethanol to transfer all of the **DNPH** into the Erlenmeyer flask. Place the Erlenmeyer flask into the hot water bath, attach a reflux condenser (similar setup as in Figure 1) rinsed with ethanol. Through the top opening of the condenser, add 3 cm³ of 20% HCl using a funnel and stir the reaction mixture at 80 °C for 2 minutes. Fine orange crystals of product **C** start to form. Then turn off the heating of the hotplate stirrer. Lift the reaction flask above the water bath. (*Caution!* Touch only the clamps, the flask is hot.) Allow the reaction mixture to cool down for 15 min and then place it into a cold water bath (prepared by pouring cold tap water in a 150 cm³ beaker).

IV. Isolation of the products

1. Check the pH of the combined aqueous phase from step No. II.6. Acidify it by carefully adding 20% HCl solution, stirring the mixture with a glass rod (ca. 2 cm³ of the HCl solution should be required), to the final pH of 2 (check with pH indicator strips). A white precipitate of product **B** is formed.



2. Set up a vacuum filtration apparatus (Figure 3) using a glass fritted funnel with porosity **S2** (with white label) and secure it to a laboratory stand with a small clamp. Connect the suction flask to the vacuum source. Pour the suspension of product **B** (step No. IV.1) into the fritted funnel, let the solid set down, and then open the vacuum valve. *Caution:* notify the lab assistant before and after handling the valve! Wash the solid twice with 6 cm³ of deionized water, until the pH of the dropping filtrate is about 6. Let air suck through the precipitate for 5 minutes to pre-dry the product. Disconnect the vacuum source. Use the spatula to transfer white product B to a glass vial labelled **Student code B** and leave it uncovered on the bench to dry. Discard the filtrate to the sink drain and wash the suction flask.

Note: Be careful not to scratch the fritted glass into your product!

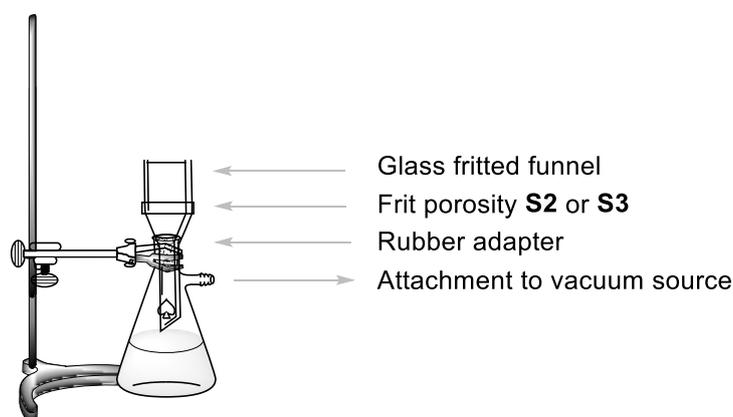


Figure 3. Setup for suction filtration.

3. Set up a vacuum filtration apparatus with a glass fritted funnel with porosity **S3** (with an orange label) similarly as in IV.2. Pour the suspension of product **C** (step No. III) into the fritted funnel, wait for a minute, and then open the vacuum valve. Do NOT stir or scratch the solid with the spatula while filtering and washing, otherwise the solid may go through the filter. Wash the precipitate three times with 5 cm³ of ethanol (15 cm³ in total) until neutral pH of the dropping filtrate is reached. Let air suck through the precipitate for 5 minutes. Disconnect the vacuum source. Use the spatula to transfer orange product C to a glass vial labelled **Student code C** and leave it uncovered on the bench to dry. Collect the filtrate into **Organic waste** bottle.

Note: If the product goes through the fritted funnel, filter the suspension once more. If the product still goes through, contact the lab assistant.

Your lab assistant will pick up following items and sign your answer sheet.

- Glass vials labelled **Student code B** and **C** with your products
- TLC plates in a zipped bag labelled with your **Student code**

Submitted items:

- Product **B**
- Product **C**
- TLC Plate 1
- TLC Plate 2 (optional)

Signatures:

Student

Lab assistant



Marking notes for evaluation of the yields and product quality

Combined yield of product B and C max 20 points

100% < y (after extended drying will be analyzed by SciC: NMR and insoluble residue).

89.0% ≤ y ≤ 100.0% 20 points

y < 89.0% linear dependence:

$$\text{Number of points} = \frac{(\% \text{ C} + \% \text{ B}) \times 20 \text{ points}}{89.0\%}$$

Products quality total max 10 points

Compound B starting point of melting and melting point interval

Starting point of melting of compound B (max 4 points)

m.p. > 186.8 °C Will be evaluated for composition by SciC.

186.8 °C ≥ m.p. ≥ 183.2 °C 4 points

183.2 °C > m.p. > 181.0 °C

$$\text{Number of points} = 4 \times \left(\frac{m.p.(\text{B}) - 181.0 \text{ °C}}{2.2 \text{ °C}} \right)$$

m.p. ≤ 181.0 °C 0 points

NMR spectrum of the sample will be recorded if the m.p. starts below 181.0 °C. Reduction of the points for the yield will be applied according to the contents of impurities based on NMR spectra. Solubility test of the sample will be performed if the sample doesn't melt completely above 190 °C. Reduction of the points for the yield will be applied according to the contents of insoluble impurities.

Melting point interval of compound B will be evaluated only if any points were granted for the starting point of melting (max 4 points)

Interval ≤ 3.1 °C 4 points

3.1 °C < interval < 5.1 °C

$$\text{Number of points} = 4 \times \left(\frac{5.1 \text{ °C} - \text{interval}}{2.0 \text{ °C}} \right)$$

Interval ≥ 5.1 °C 0 points

Purity of compound C (max 2 points)

Qualitative check by the determination of the melting point 240 °C < m.p. < 275 °C. The sample should not melt below 240 °C (1 point) and no solid residue should remain at 275 °C (1 point).

NMR spectrum of the sample will be recorded if the m.p. starts below 240.0 °C. Reduction of the points for the yield will be applied according to the contents of impurities based on NMR spectra. If more than 10% of other compounds than the product are present, 0 points will be given for the yield of product C.

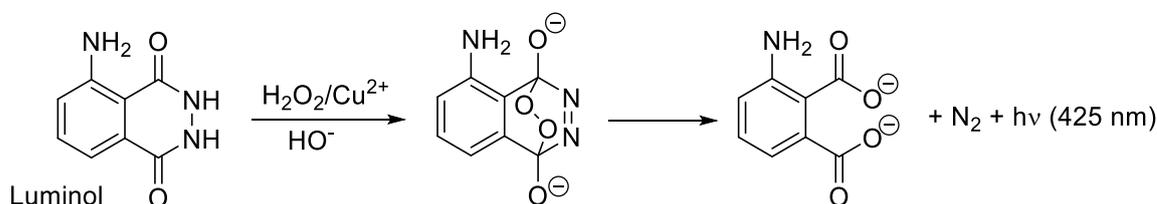
Solubility test of the sample will be performed if the sample doesn't melt completely above 275 °C. Reduction of the points for the yield will be applied according to the contents of impurities based on solubility test. If more than 10% of insoluble impurity is present, 0 points will be given for the yield of product C.



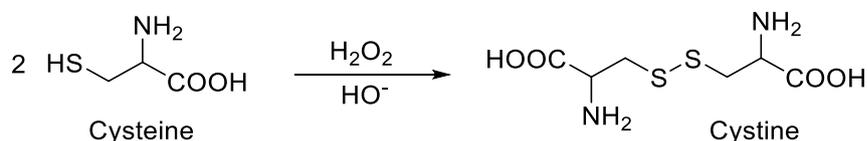
| Practical Problem P2 | Question | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.6 | Total |
|-------------------------|------------------|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| | 13% of the total | Points | 30 | 30 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 6 |
| | Score | | | | | | | |

Problem P2. A glowing clock reaction

Luminol is a well-known source of chemiluminescence. In the presence of a suitable redox catalyst, e.g. Cu^{2+} , it may react with oxidizing agents, most commonly H_2O_2 , forming products in excited electronic states. These release the excess energy by the emission of blue light:



The procedure may be modified into a clock reaction, in which the light appears after a certain induction time. By adding cysteine, Cu(II) is reduced to Cu(I) and captured in a Cu(I) –cysteine complex that does not facilitate the luminol oxidation. However, the inhibition is only temporary. A cycle of reactions fuelled by H_2O_2 leads to the gradual oxidation of cysteine:



Eventually, all cysteine is consumed, Cu(I) is reoxidized to Cu(II) , and its catalytic activity is restored. This is indicated by a flash of blue chemiluminescence. The time it takes for the flash to appear can be used to study the rates of the Cu -catalyzed cysteine oxidation.

Procedure

Caution: Always keep all your solutions and pipettes away from hotplates!

Reasonable temperature changes are not a problem, because your results will be marked based on the actual reaction temperatures that you report. You will not lose any points if your data is recorded at various temperatures. However, you must avoid excessive heat, e.g. placing the solutions or the pipettes near a hotplate.

Note: Report all the values with the requested number of significant figures or decimal places. Excessive rounding may make it impossible to distinguish a correct answer from an incorrect one.

General structure of the experiment

In Part I, you will dilute two stock solutions that are provided as concentrates. In Part II, you will measure the reaction times of the clock reaction for two different concentration sets, as defined in the table below:



| | Volume in the black test tube | | | In the centrifuge tube | |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | Water | Luminol in NaOH | Cys dil. | Cu | H ₂ O ₂ dil. |
| Conc. set #1 | 3.00 cm ³ | 2.50 cm ³ | 3.30 cm ³ | 0.50 cm ³ | 0.70 cm ³ |
| Conc. set #2 | 3.30 cm ³ | 2.50 cm ³ | 3.30 cm ³ | 0.50 cm ³ | 0.40 cm ³ |

It is recommended that before you start measuring the data to be graded, you should get familiar with the procedure in a trial run.

Because the reaction rate depends on temperature, you must record the actual temperatures in all replicates. The temperatures in the reaction mixtures should be measured IMMEDIATELY AFTER you have recorded the reaction time required to produce the blue flash.

In data evaluation, each temperature recorded from the thermometer's display must be corrected by summing it with the thermometer's calibration constant. This constant is printed on a piece of paper in the basket for Problem 2.

Then, each reaction time $t(x\text{ }^\circ\text{C})$ observed at $x\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ (corrected) must be converted to the time $t(25\text{ }^\circ\text{C})$ that would be observed at $25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. This normalization of reaction times to $25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ is a simple multiplication of $t(x\text{ }^\circ\text{C})$ with a normalization coefficient $n_{x \rightarrow 25}$:

$$t(25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}) = n_{x \rightarrow 25} t(x\text{ }^\circ\text{C})$$

The values of the normalization coefficients $n_{x \rightarrow 25}$ corresponding to various temperatures are listed in Table P2 at the end of this task.

I. Dilution of the concentrated stock solutions

Solutions of H₂O₂ (2.00 mol dm⁻³) and cysteine (0.100 mol dm⁻³) are provided as concentrates, labelled **H₂O₂ conc.** and **Cys conc.** Using the 5 cm³ bulb pipette and the 50 cm³ volumetric flask, dilute 5.00 cm³ of each to 50.00 cm³ with deionized water and store the diluted solution in the bottles labelled **H₂O₂ dil.** and **Cys dil.**

For measuring the solution volumes in the following steps, assign one graduated pipette for each of the bottles. The 5 cm³ pipettes are for **Luminol in NaOH**, **Cys dil.**, and **Water**. The 1 cm³ pipettes are for **Cu** (2.00 mmol dm⁻³) and **H₂O₂ dil.**

II. The clock reaction procedure

Note: Read the entire Section II carefully before starting the experiment.

- Place the black test tube inside the Erlenmeyer flask serving as a stand. Using the assigned pipettes, charge the test tube with the prescribed volumes of **Water**, **Luminol in NaOH** and **Cys dil.** solution.
- Place the small centrifuge tube inside the small plastic beaker and charge it with the prescribed volumes of **Cu** solution and **H₂O₂ dil.** solution.
- Without delay**, insert the small centrifuge tube inside the black test tube – **gently, without mixing** the two solutions!



- Close the test tube with its screw-on cap. Make sure that the tube is closed tightly, because you will be shaking it. **Caution: Do not force the cap beyond its end-point**, because the tube will start leaking. If this happens, you must ask for a replacement immediately (penalty rules apply).
- Have the stopwatch ready in your hand, in timing mode. The moment you begin shaking the test tube, start timing. You must shake vigorously during the initial 10 seconds, so that the two solutions mix perfectly. It is crucial that you do not cut down the shaking time.
- Return the test tube into the Erlenmeyer flask, open the lid and watch the solution inside closely. It may help to shield away the daylight with your hand. Eventually, you will see a flash of blue light through the whole solution. At that moment, stop timing.
- Immediately, insert the metal probe of the digital thermometer into the black test tube. Wait for the reading to stabilize (typically 10–30 s) and record the reaction time and the reaction temperature.
- Using tweezers, remove the small centrifuge tube from the black test tube. After each experiment, empty and wash both tubes and dry them with paper wipes.

Measured data and their evaluation

P2.1 In the following table, record your experimental results for concentration set #1. To the displayed temperature add the thermometer's calibration constant. Look up the value of the normalization coefficient $n_{x \rightarrow 25}$ for each temperature in Table P2 and calculate the reaction times normalized to 25 °C. In an unlikely case that your temperatures are not listed in Table P2, get the value of $n_{x \rightarrow 25}$ from the lab assistant.

Note: Just as the tolerance for correct values in titration is $\pm 0.1 \text{ cm}^3$, the tolerance for correct values of the normalized times in the concentration set #1 is $\pm 2.3 \text{ s}$.

(Use as many replicates as you consider necessary, you do not need to fill in all the rows. Points will be awarded for the accepted value only.)

| | Repli- cate | Reaction time [s] 1 decimal place | Displayed temperature [°C] 1 decimal place | Corrected temperature [°C] 1 decimal place | Reaction time normalized to 25 °C [s] 3 significant figures |
|-----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Conc. set #1 | 1 | 57.1 | 27.5 | 27.4 | 68.3 |
| | 2 | 56.0 | 27.7 | 27.6 | 68.0 |
| | 3 | 55.7 | 27.8 | 27.7 | 68.2 |
| | Accepted value of the normalized reaction time for concentration set #1 | | | | |



P2.2 In the following table, record your experimental results, the corrected temperature and calculate the reaction times normalized to 25 °C for concentration set #2.

Note: Just as the tolerance for correct values in titration is $\pm 0.1 \text{ cm}^3$, the tolerance for the correct values of the normalized times in the concentration set #2 is $\pm 3.0 \text{ s}$.

(Use as many replicates as you consider necessary; you do not need to fill in all the rows. Points will be awarded for the accepted value only.)

| | Repli- cate | Reaction time [s] 1 decimal place | Displayed temperature [°C] 1 decimal place | Corrected temperature [°C] 1 decimal place | Reaction time normalized to 25 °C [s] 3 significant figures |
|-----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Conc. set #2 | 1 | 71.9 | 27.9 | 27.8 | 86.6 |
| | 2 | 70.6 | 27.9 | 27.8 | 85.1 |
| | 3 | 72.5 | 27.8 | 27.7 | 86.8 |
| | Accepted value of the normalized reaction time for concentration set #2 | | | | |

P2.3 Based on the procedure and on the concentrations of the stock solutions (specified in the list of chemicals and in Part I. of the Procedure), calculate the initial concentrations of cysteine, copper and H_2O_2 in both concentration sets.

Express the accepted reaction times (t_1 and t_2) from P2.1 and P2.2 in minutes and calculate the corresponding reaction rates (v_1 and v_2), expressed as the rates of the consumption of the cysteine concentration, in $\text{mmol dm}^{-3} \text{ min}^{-1}$. You can assume that the rate of cysteine consumption during the reaction is constant.

If you cannot find the reaction rates, use the value 11.50 for conc. set #1 and 5.500 for conc. set #2 in further calculations.

| | Initial concentrations [mmol dm^{-3}] 3 significant figures | | | Accepted reaction time [min] 4 significant figures | Reaction rate [$\text{mmol dm}^{-3} \text{ min}^{-1}$] 4 significant figures |
|--------------|--|----------------|------------------------|--|--|
| | Cysteine | Copper [Cu] | H_2O_2 | | |
| Conc. set #1 | 3.30 | 0.100 | 14.0 | 1.137 | 2.902 |
| Conc. set #2 | | | 8.00 | 1.437 | 2.296 |



P2.4 Assuming the rate equation can be expressed as

$$v = k [\text{H}_2\text{O}_2]^p$$

use your experimental data to calculate the partial reaction order p with respect to H_2O_2 . Write down your answer with 2 decimal places and show your calculation.

Answer: $p = 0.42$

Calculation:

$$2.902 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3} \text{ min}^{-1} = k (14.0 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3})^p$$

$$2.296 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3} \text{ min}^{-1} = k (8.00 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3})^p$$

$$\frac{2.902}{2.296} = \left(\frac{14.0}{8.00}\right)^p$$

$$p = \frac{\log 1.264}{\log 1.75}$$

An expression of the rate law of cysteine consumption that is closer to reality is more complicated and takes the following form:

$$v = k_1[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2][\text{Cu}] + k_2[\text{Cu}]$$

P2.5 Using the data from P2.3, evaluate the dependence of v on $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2]$ as a linear function to find the slope and the intercept. Write down both answers with 4 significant figures. If you cannot find constants a and b , use the value 11.50 for both a and b in further calculations.

Answers (do not include the calculation, but include units):

$$v = a[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] + b$$

$$a = 0.1010 \text{ min}^{-1}$$

$$b = 1.488 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3} \text{ min}^{-1}$$

P2.6 Use the numeric values from P2.5 to evaluate the rate constants k_1 and k_2 . Write down their values with 3 significant figures.

Answers (including units):

$$k_1 = 1.01 \text{ min}^{-1} \text{ mmol}^{-1} \text{ dm}^3$$

$$k_2 = 14.9 \text{ min}^{-1}$$

Calculations:

$$k_1 [\text{Cu}] = a \Rightarrow k_1 = a / [\text{Cu}] = 0.1010 \text{ min}^{-1} / (0.100 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3})$$

$$k_2 [\text{Cu}] = b \Rightarrow k_2 = b / [\text{Cu}] = 1.488 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3} \text{ min}^{-1} / (0.100 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3})$$

**Marking notes**

Incorrect number of significant figures and decimal places will not be penalized.

P2.1 *Maximum 30 points, evaluated as follows:*

- 1) The reported reaction temperature is combined with the individual calibration constant of the thermometer to find the correct temperature. The correct temperature is used to normalize the reported reaction time to a value that would be measured at 25 °C, according to Table P2. This is for informative feedback on the contestant's raw data, or to be used if the Accepted Value was based on incorrect normalization – see point 4).*
- 2) The interval of Accepted Values deserving full marks (30 points) is the interval of answers collected when the procedure is performed correctly:
Master Value (determined in parallel experiments during the exam): 67.7 s.
The width of the full-marks interval (determined from a sample of 95 results from students trained to perform the procedure correctly): $MV \pm 3.5\%$ (± 2.4 s).*
- 3) Values not totally correct should receive less than full marks. The number of points received for an incorrect answer decreases linearly with the distance from the interval delineating correct answers. The minimum of 0 points is for unacceptably incorrect values, i.e. beyond $MV \pm 7.0\%$ (± 4.8 s).*
- 4) If contestant's calculation of the corrected temperature and of the normalized reaction time is missing or involves errors, a substitute Accepted Value is taken for grading. This is based on the correctly normalized reaction times calculated from contestant's raw data - see point 1), following the contestant's choice of Accepted Value or taking the mean if the choice cannot be identified.*

P2.2 *Maximum 30 points, evaluated as in P2.1:*

*Master Value (determined in parallel experiments during the exam): 88.9 s.
Full marks (determined as for P2.1): within $MV \pm 3.5\%$ (± 3.1 s)
0 points: beyond $MV \pm 7.0\%$ (± 6.2 s)*

P2.3 *Maximum 7 points total:*

*1 point for each correct concentration, 0 points for incorrect answers
0.5 point for each correct conversion of a reaction time to minutes, 0 points for incorrect answers
1 point for each correct calculation of the rate of cysteine consumption, 0 points for incorrect answers*

P2.4 *Maximum 3 points total:*

*2 points for correct calculation (showing at least one formula that can be evaluated to yield the result)
1 point for correct value of the result*

P2.5 *Maximum 4 points total:*

2 points for each correctly calculated parameter including correct unit, 1 point for each correct numerical value with incorrect or no unit, 1 point for each incorrect numeric value including correct unit, 0 points for each incorrect value with incorrect or no unit

P2.6 *Maximum 6 points total:*

*2 points for correct calculation (showing the formulas that can be evaluated to yield the results)
2 points for each correct rate constant including correct units, 1 point for each correct numerical value with incorrect or no unit, 1 point for each incorrect numeric value including correct unit, 0 points for each incorrect value with incorrect or no unit.*



Table P2. Normalization coefficients $n_{x \rightarrow 25}$ for converting reaction times measured at various temperatures to times representing the reactions at 25.0 °C.

| Temp. °C | Set #1 | Set #2 |
|----------|--------|--------|
| 22.0 | 0.8017 | 0.8221 |
| 22.1 | 0.8076 | 0.8274 |
| 22.2 | 0.8135 | 0.8328 |
| 22.3 | 0.8195 | 0.8382 |
| 22.4 | 0.8255 | 0.8437 |
| 22.5 | 0.8316 | 0.8492 |
| 22.6 | 0.8377 | 0.8547 |
| 22.7 | 0.8438 | 0.8603 |
| 22.8 | 0.8500 | 0.8659 |
| 22.9 | 0.8563 | 0.8715 |
| 23.0 | 0.8626 | 0.8772 |
| 23.1 | 0.8690 | 0.8829 |
| 23.2 | 0.8754 | 0.8887 |
| 23.3 | 0.8818 | 0.8945 |
| 23.4 | 0.8884 | 0.9004 |
| 23.5 | 0.8949 | 0.9063 |
| 23.6 | 0.9015 | 0.9122 |
| 23.7 | 0.9082 | 0.9182 |
| 23.8 | 0.9149 | 0.9242 |
| 23.9 | 0.9217 | 0.9303 |
| 24.0 | 0.9285 | 0.9364 |
| 24.1 | 0.9354 | 0.9425 |
| 24.2 | 0.9424 | 0.9487 |
| 24.3 | 0.9494 | 0.9550 |
| 24.4 | 0.9564 | 0.9613 |
| 24.5 | 0.9636 | 0.9676 |
| 24.6 | 0.9707 | 0.9740 |
| 24.7 | 0.9780 | 0.9804 |
| 24.8 | 0.9852 | 0.9869 |
| 24.9 | 0.9926 | 0.9934 |
| 25.0 | 1.0000 | 1.0000 |
| 25.1 | 1.0075 | 1.0066 |
| 25.2 | 1.0150 | 1.0133 |
| 25.3 | 1.0226 | 1.0200 |
| 25.4 | 1.0302 | 1.0268 |
| 25.5 | 1.0379 | 1.0336 |
| 25.6 | 1.0457 | 1.0404 |

| Temp. °C | Set #1 | Set #2 |
|----------|--------|--------|
| 25.7 | 1.0536 | 1.0474 |
| 25.8 | 1.0614 | 1.0543 |
| 25.9 | 1.0694 | 1.0613 |
| 26.0 | 1.0774 | 1.0684 |
| 26.1 | 1.0855 | 1.0755 |
| 26.2 | 1.0937 | 1.0827 |
| 26.3 | 1.1019 | 1.0899 |
| 26.4 | 1.1102 | 1.0972 |
| 26.5 | 1.1186 | 1.1045 |
| 26.6 | 1.1270 | 1.1119 |
| 26.7 | 1.1355 | 1.1194 |
| 26.8 | 1.1441 | 1.1268 |
| 26.9 | 1.1527 | 1.1344 |
| 27.0 | 1.1614 | 1.1420 |
| 27.1 | 1.1702 | 1.1497 |
| 27.2 | 1.1790 | 1.1574 |
| 27.3 | 1.1879 | 1.1651 |
| 27.4 | 1.1969 | 1.1730 |
| 27.5 | 1.2060 | 1.1809 |
| 27.6 | 1.2151 | 1.1888 |
| 27.7 | 1.2243 | 1.1968 |
| 27.8 | 1.2336 | 1.2049 |
| 27.9 | 1.2430 | 1.2130 |
| 28.0 | 1.2524 | 1.2212 |
| 28.1 | 1.2619 | 1.2294 |
| 28.2 | 1.2715 | 1.2377 |
| 28.3 | 1.2812 | 1.2461 |
| 28.4 | 1.2909 | 1.2545 |
| 28.5 | 1.3008 | 1.2630 |
| 28.6 | 1.3107 | 1.2716 |
| 28.7 | 1.3207 | 1.2802 |
| 28.8 | 1.3307 | 1.2889 |
| 28.9 | 1.3409 | 1.2976 |
| 29.0 | 1.3511 | 1.3064 |
| 29.1 | 1.3615 | 1.3153 |
| 29.2 | 1.3719 | 1.3243 |
| 29.3 | 1.3823 | 1.3333 |

| Temp. °C | Set #1 | Set #2 |
|----------|--------|--------|
| 29.4 | 1.3929 | 1.3424 |
| 29.5 | 1.4036 | 1.3515 |
| 29.6 | 1.4143 | 1.3607 |
| 29.7 | 1.4252 | 1.3700 |
| 29.8 | 1.4361 | 1.3793 |
| 29.9 | 1.4471 | 1.3888 |
| 30.0 | 1.4582 | 1.3983 |
| 30.1 | 1.4694 | 1.4078 |
| 30.2 | 1.4807 | 1.4175 |
| 30.3 | 1.4921 | 1.4272 |
| 30.4 | 1.5035 | 1.4369 |
| 30.5 | 1.5151 | 1.4468 |
| 30.6 | 1.5267 | 1.4567 |
| 30.7 | 1.5385 | 1.4667 |
| 30.8 | 1.5503 | 1.4768 |
| 30.9 | 1.5623 | 1.4869 |
| 31.0 | 1.5743 | 1.4972 |
| 31.1 | 1.5865 | 1.5075 |
| 31.2 | 1.5987 | 1.5179 |
| 31.3 | 1.6111 | 1.5283 |
| 31.4 | 1.6235 | 1.5388 |
| 31.5 | 1.6360 | 1.5495 |
| 31.6 | 1.6487 | 1.5602 |
| 31.7 | 1.6614 | 1.5709 |
| 31.8 | 1.6743 | 1.5818 |
| 31.9 | 1.6872 | 1.5927 |
| 32.0 | 1.7003 | 1.6038 |
| 32.1 | 1.7135 | 1.6149 |
| 32.2 | 1.7268 | 1.6260 |
| 32.3 | 1.7402 | 1.6373 |
| 32.4 | 1.7536 | 1.6487 |
| 32.5 | 1.7673 | 1.6601 |
| 32.6 | 1.7810 | 1.6716 |
| 32.7 | 1.7948 | 1.6833 |
| 32.8 | 1.8087 | 1.6950 |
| 32.9 | 1.8228 | 1.7068 |
| 33.0 | 1.8370 | 1.7186 |



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|--|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|--------------|
| Practical Problem 3 13% of the total | Question | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.5 | |
| | Points | 3 | 20 | 2 | 2 | 16 | |
| | Score | | | | | | |
| | Question | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.10 | Total |
| | Points | 4 | 20 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 75 |
| | Score | | | | | | |

Problem P3. Mineral water identification

Many mineral and thermal water springs are registered in Slovakia. Mineral waters with a balanced composition and natural or modified carbon dioxide content are sold for daily consumption. These waters do not contain nitrites, nitrates, phosphates, fluorides and sulfides and are also free of iron and manganese.

The mass concentration of the most important ions is reported on the packaging.

Your task is to identify the trade brand (from Table P3.1) of your mineral water sample.

Note: CO₂ has been removed from the sample.

Table P3.1. Mass concentrations of ions in selected Slovak mineral waters. (As reported by the supplier.)

| No. | Trade brand | Mass concentration of ion, mg dm ⁻³ | | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|--|------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | | Ca ²⁺ | Mg ²⁺ | Na ⁺ | K ⁺ | Cl ⁻ | SO ₄ ²⁻ | HCO ₃ ⁻ |
| 1 | Kláštorná | 290 | 74 | 71 | 16 | 15 | 89 | 1 341 |
| 2 | Budišská | 200 | 50 | 445 | 50 | 25 | 433 | 1 535 |
| 3 | Baldovská | 378 | 94 | 90 | 0 | 78 | 215 | 1 557 |
| 4 | Santovka | 215 | 67 | 380 | 45 | 177 | 250 | 1 462 |
| 5 | Slatina | 100 | 45 | 166 | 40 | 104 | 168 | 653 |
| 6 | Fatra | 45 | 48 | 550 | 16 | 36 | 111 | 1 693 |
| 7 | Ľubovnianska | 152 | 173 | 174 | 5 | 10 | 20 | 1 739 |
| 8 | Gemerka | 376 | 115 | 85 | 0 | 30 | 257 | 1 532 |
| 9 | Salvator | 473 | 161 | 214 | 30 | 116 | 124 | 2 585 |
| 10 | Brusnianska | 305 | 101 | 187 | 35 | 59 | 774 | 884 |
| 11 | Maxia | 436 | 136 | 107 | 18 | 37 | 379 | 1 715 |

**Notes:**

- Use the prescribed symbols in the notations of calculations.
- You are provided with a swollen cation exchange resin (**Catex**) in its H⁺ form. Use a thick stem Pasteur pipette for transferring it. You can add more deionized water to the resin if necessary (it should not dry out).
- Concentrations of the standard solutions:
 $c(\text{NaOH}) = 0.2660 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ $c(\text{EDTA}) = 5.965 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

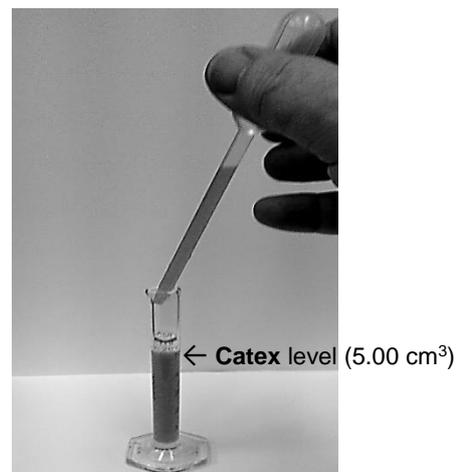
Procedure

1.a Measure 5.00 cm³ of the catex into the graduated cylinder (volume V1). Then using deionized water transfer the catex quantitatively into a titration flask. Add an appropriate amount of deionized water so that the suspension can be swirled well and the colour of the solution over the catex can be observed.

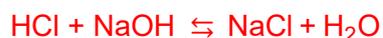
1.b Add 3–4 drops of the bromothymol blue indicator (**BTB**) and about 1 g (half a spoon) of solid NaCl. When NaCl dissolves, titrate all the suspension with the standard sodium hydroxide solution (volume V2) from yellow to blue. Close to the equivalence point, titrate slowly and swirl well so that any analyte inside the catex skeleton may diffuse into the solution. Repeat the experiment as necessary.

1.c After the titration, decant and discard most of the aqueous solution in the titration flask above the catex and transfer the suspension to the **Waste catex** container.

P3.1 Write down all the chemical reactions which occur in Step 1. Use R–H as a formula for the catex in a H⁺ form and HInd for the indicator.

**Ion exchange**

1 point for the correct equation

Neutralization

1 point for the correct equation

Indication

1 point for the correct equation



P3.2 Enter the experimental and accepted values from Step 1 into the table.

(You do not need to fill in all the rows.)

| Analysis No. | Catex volume V1 [cm ³] | NaOH consumption V2 [cm ³] |
|--|------------------------------------|--|
| 1 | 5.00 | e.g. 19.00 |
| 2 | | e.g. 19.50 |
| 3 | | e.g. 19.70 |
| Accepted value V2 4 significant figures | | e.g. 19.40 |

Maximum 20 points based on the agreement between the master and accepted values V2 (specified in Marking notes; the number of replications is not evaluated).

P3.3 Using the accepted value of V2, calculate the ion exchange volume capacity $Q_v(\text{H}^+)$ in mmol cm^{-3} .

Calculation:

$$Q_v(\text{H}^+) = \frac{V2 \times c(\text{NaOH})}{V1} = \frac{19.40 \text{ cm}^3 \times 0.2660 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}}{5.0 \text{ cm}^3} = 1.032 \text{ mmol cm}^{-3}$$

1 point for the correct calculation procedure

1 point for correct result

If you cannot find the $Q_v(\text{H}^+)$ value, use $1.40 \text{ mmol cm}^{-3}$ for further calculations.

- 2.a Using a graduated cylinder, measure 5.00 cm^3 of the swollen catex (volume V3). Transfer the measured catex quantitatively into the 250 cm^3 beaker. Using a pipette, add 50.00 cm^3 of your sample (volume V4). Swirl the mixture occasionally for about 5 minutes. Use the Erlenmeyer flask as a stand for the funnel and to collect the filtrate. Then filter the catex through a fritted funnel (porosity S1) and wash it with deionized water to a neutral pH (check with pH paper). Discard the filtrate.
- 2.b Using deionized water, transfer the catex quantitatively from the funnel into a titration flask and discard the filtrate.
- 2.c Add 3–4 drops of bromothymol blue indicator and about 1 g (half a spoon) of solid NaCl and titrate the suspension with the standard sodium hydroxide solution (volume V5) from yellow to blue. Repeat the experiment as necessary.
- 2.d After the titration, decant and discard most of the aqueous solution in the titration flask above the catex and transfer the suspension to the **Waste catex** container.



P3.4 Write down the equations for the ion exchange reactions. Monovalent and divalent ions should be abbreviated M^+ and M^{2+} , respectively.

Ion exchange from the sample



2 points – 1 point for each correct equation or 2 points for the correct general equation with M^{n+}

P3.5 Enter the experimental and accepted values from Step 2 into the table.

(You do not need to fill in all the rows.)

| Analysis No. | Catex volume $V3$ [cm^3] | Sample volume $V4$ [cm^3] | NaOH consumption $V5$ [cm^3] |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| 1 | 5.00 | 50.00 | e.g. 13.00 |
| 2 | | | e.g. 13.20 |
| 3 | | | e.g. 13.10 |
| Accepted value $V5$ 4 significant figures | | | e.g. 13.10 |

Maximum 16 points based on the agreement between the master and accepted values $V5$ (specified in Marking notes; the number of replications is not evaluated).

P3.6 Consider that all the ions in your solution are M^+ ions. For the accepted value of $V5$, calculate the total amount of cations (as M^+ molar concentration) in 1 dm^3 of mineral water. Show the calculation of the total equivalent concentration of cations, $c^*(M^+)$ in mmol dm^{-3} .

Calculation:

$$c^*(M^+) = \frac{V3 \times Q_v(H^+)_{\text{ionex}} - V5 \times c(\text{NaOH})}{V4}$$

$$c^*(M^+) = \frac{5.00 \text{ cm}^3 \times 1.032 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} - 13.10 \text{ cm}^3 \times 0.2660 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}}{50.00 \text{ cm}^3}$$

$$c^*(M^+) = 33.51 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3}$$

3 points for the correct calculation procedure

1 point for correct result including unit

If you cannot find the $c^*(M^+)$ value, use $35.00 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3}$ for further procedure.



In the next step, you are going to perform complexometric analysis to determine the concentration of Ca^{2+} and Mg^{2+} together (hereinafter written as M^{2+}).

3. Pipette 10.00 cm^3 (V_6) of the sample into the titration flask and add ca. 25 cm^3 of deionized water. Adjust pH by adding 3 cm^3 of the buffer solution. Add some Eriochrome black T indicator (**EBT**, on the tip of the spatula) and titrate with the standard EDTA solution from wine red to blue (V_7).

P3.7 Enter the experimental and accepted values from Step 3 into the table.

(You do not need to fill in all the rows)

| Analysis No. | Sample volume V_6 [cm^3] | EDTA consumption, V_7 [cm^3] |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| 1 | 10.00 | e.g. 14.20 |
| 2 | | e.g. 14.25 |
| 3 | | e.g. 14.25 |
| Accepted value V_7 4 significant figures | | e.g. 14.25 |

Maximum 20 points based on the agreement between the master and accepted values V_7 (specified in Marking notes; the number of replications is not evaluated).

P3.8 For the accepted volume of V_7 , calculate the molar concentration of M^{2+} cations in mineral water, $c(\text{M}^{2+})$ in mmol dm^{-3} .

Calculation:

$$c(\text{M}^{2+}) = \frac{V_7 \times c(\text{EDTA})}{V_6}$$

$$c(\text{M}^{2+}) = \frac{14.25 \text{ cm}^3 \times 5.965 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3}}{10.00 \text{ cm}^3} = 8.500 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3}$$

1 point for the correct calculation procedure

1 point for correct result including unit

If you cannot find the $c(\text{M}^{2+})$ value, use $15.00 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3}$ for further solution.

4. Use Table P3.2 in next identification procedure.

P3.9 In Table P3.2, write down experimentally found values from tasks P3.6 and P3.8 and tick (✓) all the lines with approximate match ($\pm 10\%$) of the found parameter $c(\text{M}^{2+})$ and $c^*(\text{M}^+)$ with the data from the label.



Table P3.2

| Mineral water | | Supplier data | | | Match with the experiment | |
|------------------|--------------|---|--------------------------------------|---|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| No. | Trade brand | $c(M^{2+})$ [mmol dm ⁻³] | $c(M^+)$ [mmol dm ⁻³] | Total equivalent concentration of cations $c^*(M^+)$ [mmol dm ⁻³] | Conformity for $c(M^{2+})$ | Conformity for $c^*(M^+)$ |
| Your exp. values | | 8.50 | XXX | 33.51 | XXX | XXX |
| 1 | Kláštorná | 10.30 | 3.50 | 24.1 | | |
| 2 | Budišská | 7.06 | 20.63 | 34.7 | | ✓ |
| 3 | Baldovská | 13.32 | 3.91 | 30.5 | | ✓ |
| 4 | Santovka | 8.13 | 17.67 | 33.9 | ✓ | ✓ |
| 5 | Slatina | 4.35 | 8.25 | 16.9 | | |
| 6 | Fatra | 3.11 | 24.32 | 30.5 | | ✓ |
| 7 | Ľubovnianska | 10.92 | 7.70 | 29.5 | | |
| 8 | Gemerka | 14.13 | 3.70 | 32.0 | | ✓ |
| 9 | Salvator | 18.46 | 10.07 | 47.0 | | |
| 10 | Brusnianska | 11.79 | 9.03 | 32.6 | | ✓ |
| 11 | Maxia | 16.50 | 5.11 | 38.1 | | |

Maximum 4 points. For each column: 2 points if correctly marked, 1 point if partially marked.

P3.10 Based on your results, decide which mineral water is in your sample. Tick (✓) the cross-reference number(s) of the mineral water(s).

| No. | | Trade brand | No. | | Trade brand |
|-----|---|-------------|-----|--|--------------|
| 1 | | Kláštorná | 7 | | Ľubovnianska |
| 2 | | Budišská | 8 | | Gemerka |
| 3 | | Baldovská | 9 | | Salvator |
| 4 | ✓ | Santovka | 10 | | Brusnianska |
| 5 | | Slatina | 11 | | Maxia |
| 6 | | Fatra | 12 | | other |

2 points if consistent with the results marked in Table 3.2 (Kláštorná or Ľubovnianska, if values from P3.6 and P3.8 are accurate)



Marking notes

P3.2 Full points if relative deviation is lower than $\pm 1.5\%$ of the master value.

Acquired points are calculated from the following equation:

$$\text{Score} = 32.0 - 8.0 \times |(V2_{\text{student}} - V2_{\text{master}}) / V2_{\text{master}}| \times 100,$$

0 points if relative deviation is higher than $\pm 4.0\%$ of the master value.

$$V2_{\text{master}} = 13.10, 17.20, \text{ or } 20.65 \text{ cm}^3$$

P3.5 Full points if relative deviation is lower than $\pm 4.0\%$ of the master value.

Acquired points are calculated from the following equation:

$$\text{Score} = 21.81818 - 1.45455 \times |(V5_{\text{student}} - V5_{\text{master}}) / V5_{\text{master}}| \times 100,$$

0 points if relative deviation is higher than $\pm 15.0\%$ of the master value.

$$V5_{\text{master}} = \text{from } 7.54 \text{ to } 16.12 \text{ cm}^3$$

P3.7 Full points if relative deviation is lower than $\pm 0.5\%$ of the master value.

Acquired points are calculated from the following equation:

$$\text{Score} = 25.0 - 10.0 \times |(V7_{\text{student}} - V7_{\text{master}}) / V7_{\text{master}}| \times 100,$$

0 points if relative deviation is higher than $\pm 2.5\%$ of the master value.

$$V7_{\text{master}} = 17.15 \text{ or } 18.41 \text{ cm}^3$$

Replaced chemicals and equipment

| Item or incident | Penalty | Signature | |
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