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**COMBINED SCIENCE**

**0653/51**

Paper 5 Practical Test

**October/November 2012**

**1 hour 30 minutes**

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

Additional Materials: As listed in Instructions to Supervisors

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

You may use a pencil for any diagrams, graphs or rough working.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

**DO NOT WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.**

Answer **all** questions.

Chemistry practical notes for this paper are printed on page 12.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

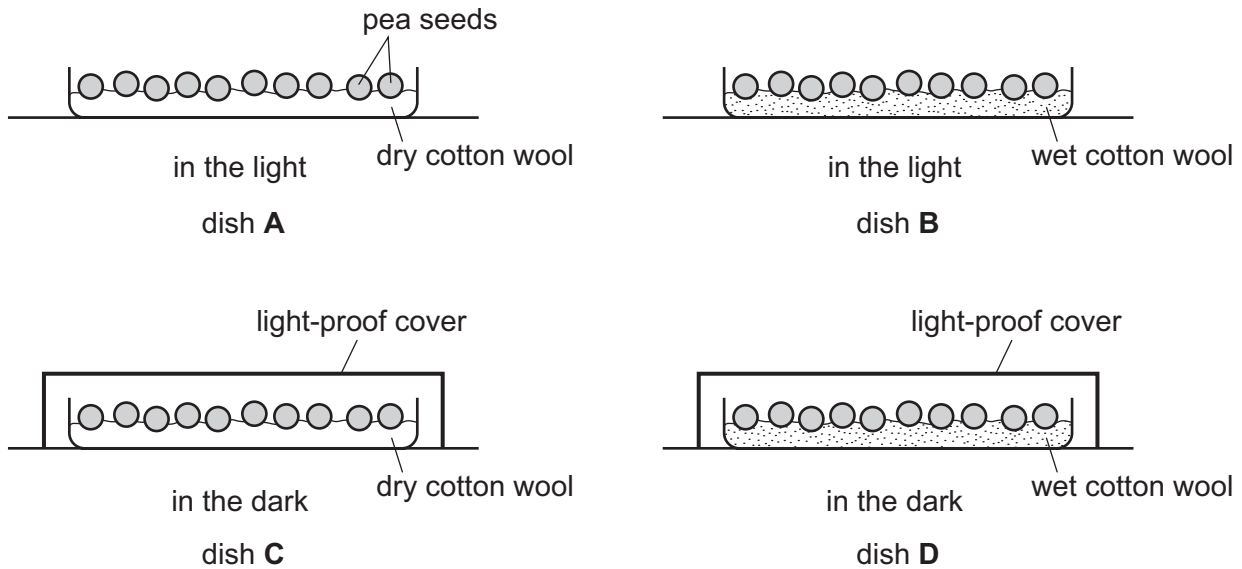
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- 1 You are going to investigate some of the conditions needed for the germination of pea seeds. You are provided with petri dishes **A**, **B**, **C** and **D** that have been set up as shown in Fig. 1.1.



**Fig. 1.1**

Each petri dish contains some pea seeds. The seeds were soaked in water for 24 hours before being placed in the dishes.

- Dish **A** was left in the light, with the seeds on dry cotton wool.
- Dish **B** was left in the light, with the seeds on wet cotton wool.
- Dish **C** was left in the dark, with the seeds on dry cotton wool.
- Dish **D** was left in the dark, with the seeds on wet cotton wool.

The dishes were then left for 7 days.

- (a) Examine the four dishes. Make a note of
- (i) the total number of seeds in each dish,
  - (ii) the number of seeds that have begun to germinate. Germination is indicated by the clear emergence of a radicle (young root) from any seed.

Record your results in Table 1.1.

**Table 1.1**

| petri dish                              | A | B | C | D |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| total number of seeds in the dish       |   |   |   |   |
| number of germinating seeds in the dish |   |   |   |   |

[2]

- (b) Use your results to write conclusions about whether light and water are needed for the germination of pea seeds.

light .....

.....

water .....

..... [2]

- (c) You are going to test the germinating seeds and their radicles (roots) for the presence of starch and reducing sugar.

Obtain your samples as follows -

- Remove all the seeds from one of the petri dishes where there is clear evidence of germination.
- Cut off the radicles from all of these seeds, and place the radicles in a mortar. Keep two of the seeds for later.
- Add about 10-15 cm<sup>3</sup> water to the radicles.
- Use a pestle to crush the radicles and mix them thoroughly with the water.
- Divide this mixture evenly between two test-tubes.
- Label the test-tubes **R1** and **R2**, and stand them in the test-tube rack for testing later.
- Wash the mortar and pestle before using it again.
- Take the two seeds which you kept, and place them in the clean mortar.
- Crush them with water as before.
- Divide this mixture between two fresh test-tubes. Label these tubes **S1** and **S2**, and stand them in the test-tube rack for testing later.

Now test your samples as follows -

- Add five drops of Benedict's solution to each of test-tubes **R1** and **S1**.
- Place both tubes **R1** and **S1** into the hot water bath provided, and leave them for five minutes.
- Record your observations in Table 1.2.
- Add five drops of iodine solution to test-tubes **R2** and **S2**.
- Record your results in Table 1.2 on page 4.

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Table 1.2

| test-tube                            | R1 | S1 | R2 | S2 |
|--------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|
| colour obtained with Benedict's test |    |    |    |    |
| colour obtained with iodine test     |    |    |    |    |

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[4]

- (d) Which parts of the germinating seeds contained starch, and which contained reducing sugar?

starch .....

.....

reducing sugar .....

..... [2]

- 2 (a) You are going to find the mass of a metre rule. Refer to Fig. 2.1 as you follow these instructions.

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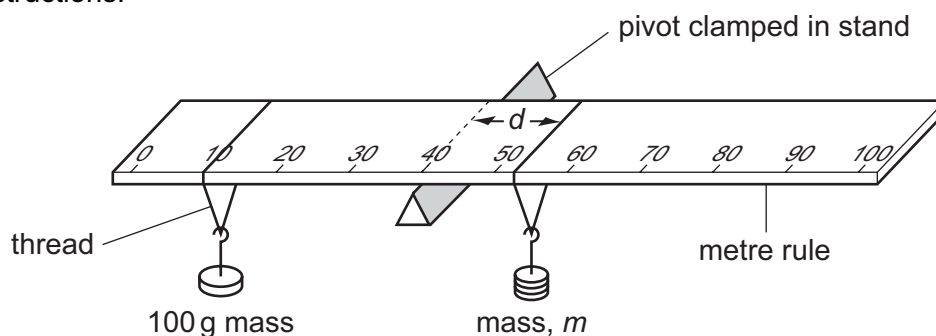


Fig. 2.1

- (i)
- Clamp a knife edge or triangular piece of wood in a clamp on a stand; this will act as a pivot on which to balance the rule.
  - Place the metre rule horizontally on the pivot at the 40 cm mark on the rule.
  - Hang the 100 g mass provided from the 10 cm mark on the rule, using half of the thread.
  - Now hang a second mass,  $m$ , of 50 g, using the other half of the thread, from the rule on the other side of the pivot from the 100 g mass.
  - Adjust the distance,  $d$ , from the pivot to the 50 g mass by moving the 50 g mass to make the rule balance.
  - Measure the distance,  $d$ , from the pivot to the 50 g mass.

Record this value in Table 2.1 on page 6.

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Table 2.1

| mass,<br>$m/g$ | distance,<br>$d/cm$ | $\frac{1}{\text{mass}, m} / \frac{1}{g}$ |
|----------------|---------------------|--|
| 50             |                     | 0.020                                    |
| 60             |                     |  |
| 70             |                     |  |
| 80             |                     | 0.0125                                   |

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- (ii) Repeat (i) using a 60 g mass instead of the 50 g mass to balance the rule, ensuring that the pivot is still at the 40 cm mark and the 100 g mass is still at the 10 cm mark.

Record the new value of distance,  $d$ , in Table 2.1.

- (iii) Repeat (i) using 70 g and 80 g masses to balance the rule, ensuring that the pivot is still at the 40 cm mark and the 100 g mass is still at the 10 cm mark.

Record the values of distance,  $d$ , in Table 2.1.

[2]

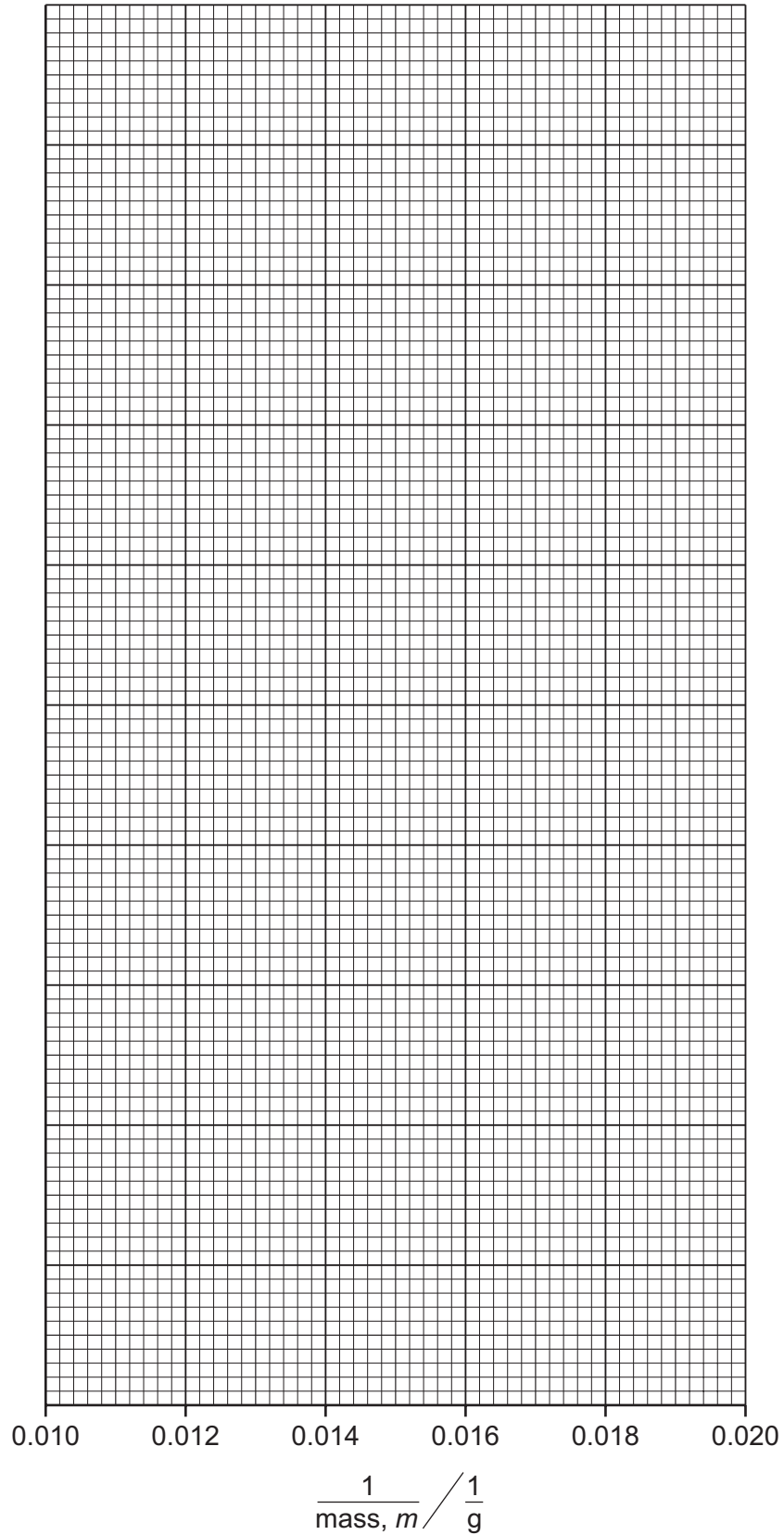
- (b) (i) Calculate  $\frac{1}{\text{mass}, m}$  for the two remaining values of mass,  $m$ , and record your answers in Table 2.1.

[1]

- (ii) Complete the vertical scale and plot a graph of distance,  $d$ , against  $\frac{1}{\text{mass}, m}$  on the grid provided.

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Draw the best straight line.



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(iii) Find the gradient of the line of your graph, showing clearly your working.

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gradient = ..... [2]

(iv) Use the value of the gradient from (b)(iii) and the formula shown to calculate the mass of the rule.

$$\text{mass of rule} = 300 - (0.1 \times \text{gradient})$$

mass of rule = ..... g [1]



**Please turn over for Question 3.**

- 3 You are going to investigate the acidity of a soil sample. The sample of soil has been shaken with purified water and filtered. You have been given the filtrate as soil washings, **S**.

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You are going to find the concentration of acid in **S**.

- (a) (i) • Use a measuring cylinder to place  $10\text{ cm}^3$  of the alkali aqueous calcium hydroxide into a small beaker.
- Add 3 drops of indicator **P** to the alkali in the beaker.
  - Place  $10\text{ cm}^3$  soil washings **S** in the rinsed  $0\text{-}10\text{ cm}^3$  measuring cylinder.
  - **Slowly** add, drop by drop, soil washings **S** from the measuring cylinder to the beaker containing the alkali and the indicator **P** until the mixture just becomes colourless.

Record, in Table 3.1, the volume of unused soil washings,  $V_R$ , remaining in the measuring cylinder. [1]

Table 3.1

| volume of aqueous calcium hydroxide, $V_a/\text{cm}^3$ | volume of unused soil washings, $V_R/\text{cm}^3$ | volume of soil washings used, $V_s/\text{cm}^3$ |
|--|---|---|
| 10.0   |   |   |
| 10.0   |   |   |
| 10.0   |   |   |

- (ii) Repeat (a)(i) twice more, recording the volume of unused soil washings,  $V_R$ , remaining in the measuring cylinder in Table 3.1. [3]
- (iii) Calculate the volume of soil washings used,  $V_s$ , in each case and record the values in column three of Table 3.1.

[1]

- (iv) Calculate the average volume of soil washings used,  $V_{av}$ , using the data in Table 3.1.

$$V_{av} = \dots\dots\dots \text{cm}^3 \quad [1]$$

- (v) Calculate the concentration,  $c_s$ , of the acid ( $H^+$  ion) in the soil washings, **S**, using the following formula and data

$$c_s \times V_{av} = 2 \times c_a \times V_a$$

$V_{av}$  = average value from **(a)(iv)**

$c_a$  = concentration of alkali,  $0.013 \text{ mol/dm}^3$

$V_a = 10 \text{ cm}^3$

$$c_s = \dots\dots\dots \text{ mol/dm}^3 \quad [3]$$

- (b) Place  $5 \text{ cm}^3$  soil washings, **S**, in a test-tube and add four drops of Universal Indicator.

Record the colour and pH of the soil washings.

colour = .....

pH = .....

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## CHEMISTRY PRACTICAL NOTES

## 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 ( $\text{Cl}^-$ )<br>[in solution]     | acidify with dilute nitric acid, then add aqueous silver nitrate          | white ppt.                             |
| nitrate ( $\text{NO}_3^-$ )<br>[in solution]    | add aqueous sodium hydroxide then aluminium foil; warm carefully          | ammonia produced                       |
| sulfate ( $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$ )<br>[in solution] | acidify then add aqueous barium chloride <i>or</i> 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                                | -  |
| copper(II) ( $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ ) | 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 results</i>     |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ammonia ( $\text{NH}_3$ )        | turns damp red litmus paper blue |
| carbon dioxide ( $\text{CO}_2$ ) | turns limewater milky            |
| chlorine ( $\text{Cl}_2$ )       | bleaches damp litmus paper       |
| hydrogen ( $\text{H}_2$ )        | "pops" with a lighted splint     |
| oxygen ( $\text{O}_2$ )          | relights a glowing splint        |

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