

Course 3-pH Titres Indicators & pH

Marking scheme

Question 1

- (b) Graph: **axes correct and correctly labelled** (*pH axis does not have to start at 0*) (3, 3)
[Note: penalty (-3) if pH on horizontal axis and volume on vertical axis.]
all points correctly plotted (6) {Allow (3) for 8 points plotted correctly} {not on graph paper (-6)}
correct graph line (*based on their points – no penalty for not joining the first or the last pair of points*) (6)

Indicator: **bromothymol blue / phenol red / neutral red / cresol purple / thymol blue / phenolphthalein / thymolphthalein** (3)

Use: **range of indicator (indicator colour change) within pH jump on graph** (*unambiguously identified e.g. 'within vertical part of graph' or 'between lower and upper pH values of vertical part of their graph' or 'between values from table (6 – 11 or 6 – 11.2) corresponding to vertical part of graph' or 'any range (e.g. 8 – 10) within the vertical part of the graph'*). (4) {*Note: this (4) can be given even if the indicator chosen is incorrect.*}

Question 2

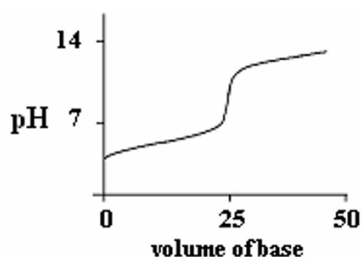
- (b) (i) EXPLAIN: the indicator itself dissociates according to the equation



in acid (low pH) equilibrium lies on the left (shifts backward) giving colour of molecules (HX) / in acid (low pH) indicator is associated (undissociated) giving colour of molecules (HX) Associated = present as molecules (3)

in base (alkali / high pH) equilibrium lies on the right (shifts forward) giving colour of ions (X^-) / in base (alkali / high pH) indicator is dissociated giving colour of ions (X^-) Dissociated = present as ions (ionised) (3)

- (ii) DRAW: **graph with pH axis labelled at 7 and number over 7** (3)



neutralisation point at about 25 cm³ (3)

steep rise at about pH = 6.5 to 10.5 (3)

No labelling or numbers required on horizontal axis.

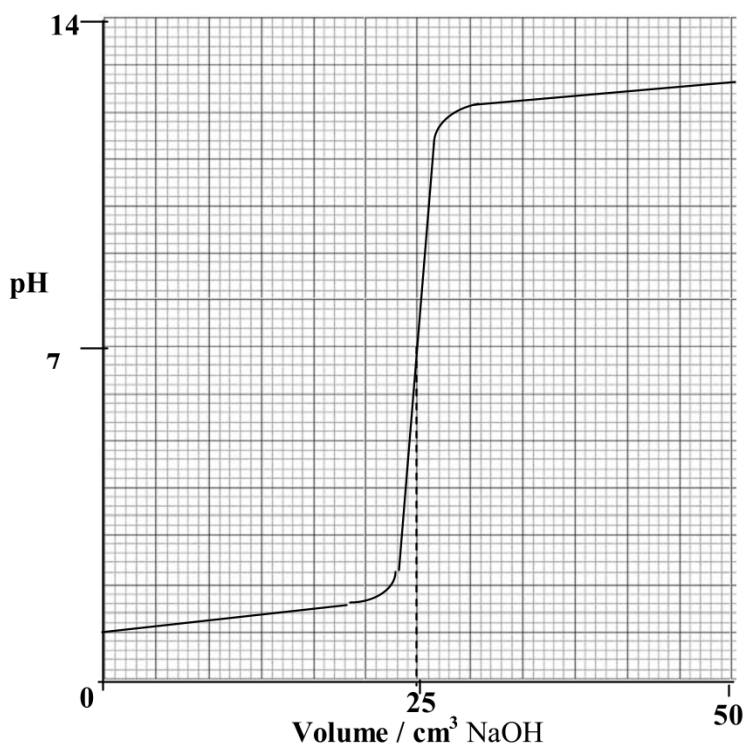
- (iii) EXPLAIN: Phenolphthalein has a pH **range from 8.3 – 10 (8 – 10)** / phenolphthalein **changes colour in steep part of graph** (6)
[Allow (3) for *weak acid-strong base titration*]

Question 3

- (a) DEFINE: (i): **Proton (H^+) donor //**
(ii): **Related (produced) by gain of one proton (H^+) / base + H^+** (2 × 4)
- DISTINGUISH: Strong acid **dissociates almost fully (readily) in aqueous solution (water) / good proton donor //**
weak acid **only slightly dissociates in solution / poor proton donor** (2 × 3)
- WHAT: **X^-** (3)
[“SA diss fully” *and* “WA diss. slightly” (3); if “in solution (water)” mentioned once, give other (3).
- (b) (i) STATE: **Red colour observed //**
EXPL.: **Equilibrium shifted left by H^+ present / high H^+ conc. / high $[\text{H}^+]$** (2 × 3)
(ii) STATE: **Yellow colour observed //**
EXPL.: **Equilibrium shifted right by OH^- removing H^+ / low H^+ conc. / low $[\text{H}^+]$** (2 × 3)
- (c) CALC.: (i): **13** [$-\log 0.1 = 1$ (2) $14 - 1 = 13$ (1)] (3)
(ii): **2.9** (6)

$[\text{H}^+]^2/0.004 = 3.5 \times 10^{-4} / [\text{H}^+]^2 = 1.4 \times 10^{-6} / [\text{H}^+] = 1.18 \times 10^{-3}$	(3)
$\text{pH} = -\log 1.18 \times 10^{-3} = 2.9$	(3)
OR	
$\text{pH} = -\log \sqrt{(K_a \times M)} / \text{pH} = -\log \sqrt{(3.5 \times 10^{-4} \times 0.004)}$	(3)
$\text{pH} = 2.9$	(3)

- DRAW.: **Axes labelled (pH – with 7 or 14, and volume – with 25 or 50) //**
Correct shaped curve with steep rise in pH (minimum: 4 to 10) //
Rise around 25 cm³ (rise around middle of total addition) (3 × 3)



Curve does not have to be drawn on graph paper.

- EXPLAIN: **Most indicators will change within this pH range (jump in pH)** (3)

Question 4

QUESTION 9

- (a) DEFINE: (i) *Arrhenius acid*: **produces H^+ (hydrogen ion) by dissociation in water (aqueous solution)** // (2 × 3)
(ii) *Brønsted-Lowry acid*: **proton (hydrogen ion, H^+) donor**

- (b) DEFINE: **$-\log_{10}[H^+] / -\log_{10}[H_3O^+] /$ negative log to base ten of hydrogen (hydronium) ion concentration in moles per litre** (6)

STATE: **reliable (accurate, suitable) only for dilute solutions / only valid (useful) in 0 - 14 range / applies to aqueous solutions only / unreliable (inaccurate, unsuitable) in very concentrated solutions / unreliable for negative pH values** (3)
[‘Temperature dependent / (25 °C)’ acceptable.][‘Valid range 1 – 14’ unacceptable but does not cancel.]

- (c) GRAPH: *See graph on next page.*
both axes correctly labelled (pH , V , volume, cm^3 , $NaOH$) (3)
appropriate, correct numeric scales on both axes (3)
smooth curve of correct shape corresponding to 0 -15 cm^3 $NaOH$ added and from 25- 40 cm^3 $NaOH$ added (3)
careful plotting of vertical part (3)
[Volume versus pH acceptable.][(3) marks deducted if graph not on graph paper.]
- (d) (i) CALCULATE: **0.014 M [0.0139 – 0.014 M]** (9)

$$[H^+] = \sqrt{K_a[CH_3COOH]} / \text{inverse log } (-3.3) / 5.01 \times 10^{-4} /$$

$$-\log \sqrt{K_a[CH_3COOH]} = 3.3 / \log \sqrt{K_a[CH_3COOH]} = -3.3 \quad (6)$$

$$K_a = \frac{[CH_3COO^-][H^+]}{[CH_3COOH]} / \frac{[H^+]^2}{[CH_3COOH]} / 1.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{[5.01 \times 10^{-4}]^2}{[CH_3COOH]}$$

$$[CH_3COOH] = 0.014 \text{ M } [0.0139 - 0.014 \text{ M}] \quad (3)$$

Take [acid] or [HA] or M to be $[CH_3COOH]$ and $[A^-]$ to be $[CH_3COO^-]$

or

$$[H^+] = \sqrt{K_a[CH_3COOH]} / \text{inverse log } (-3.3) / 5.01 \times 10^{-4} /$$

$$-\log \sqrt{K_a[CH_3COOH]} = 3.3 / \log \sqrt{K_a[CH_3COOH]} = -3.3 \quad (6)$$

$$K_a[CH_3COOH] / 1.8 \times 10^{-5} \times [CH_3COOH] = (5.01 \times 10^{-4})^2$$

$$[CH_3COOH] = \frac{(5.01 \times 10^{-4})^2}{1.8 \times 10^{-5}} = \frac{2.51 \times 10^{-7}}{1.8 \times 10^{-5}} = 0.014 \text{ } [0.0139 - 0.014 \text{ M}] \quad (3)$$

Take [acid] or [HA] or M to be $[CH_3COOH]$ and $[A^-]$ to be $[CH_3COO^-]$

[1 mark deducted for incorrect rounding off.]

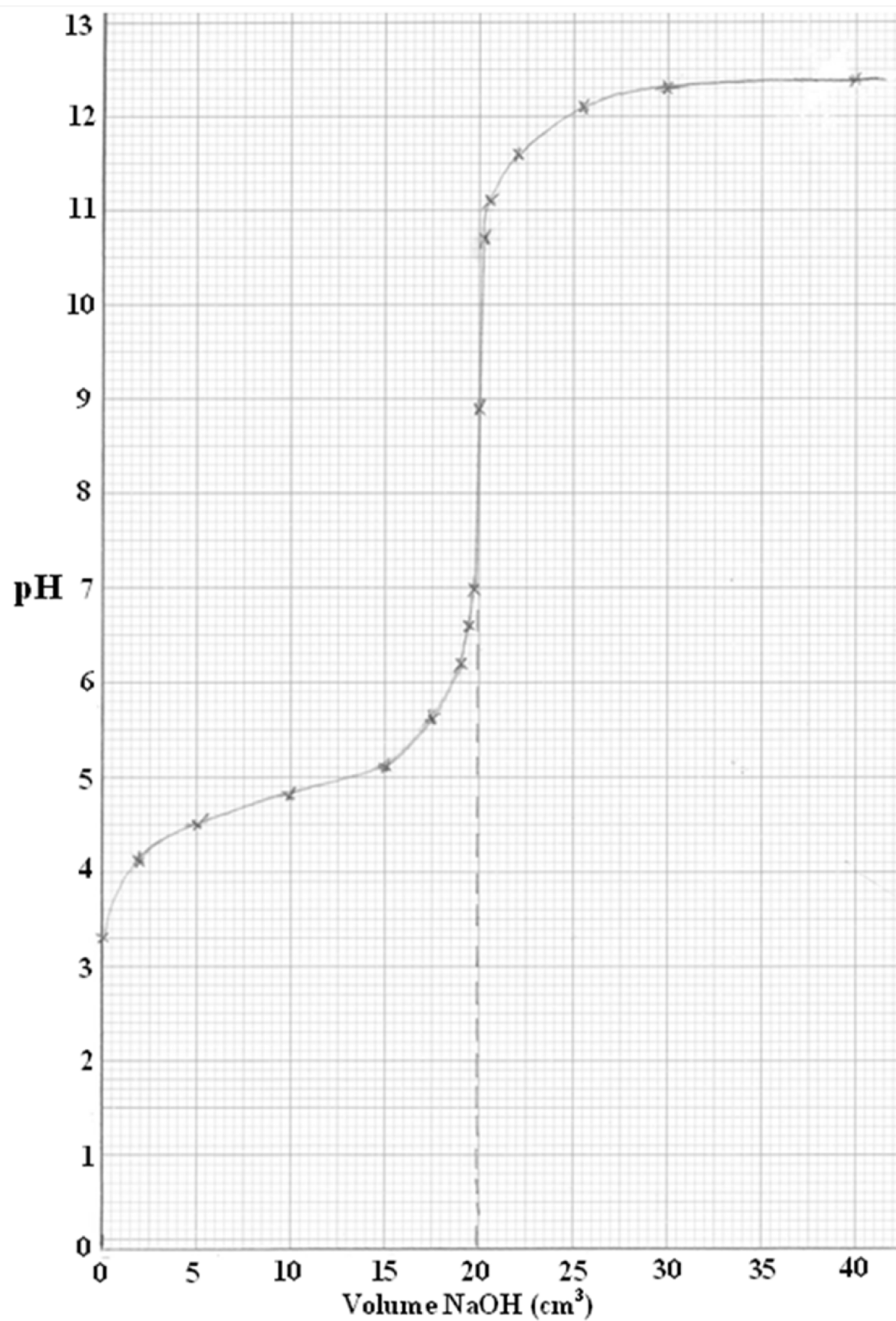
(ii) MAKE USE: **20 cm³** (3)

(e) WHAT: **phenolphthalein / thymol blue / cresol purple / thymolphthalein** (6)

REFER: **range of phenolphthalein coincides with vertical part of graph / range (8 -10) within pH jump / phenolphthalein changes colour corresponding to steep (vertical) part of graph / phenolphthalein changes colour within (coinciding with) pH jump at end point / phenolphthalein has one colour at pH = 8 (7, 6, before neutralisation, before vertical part of graph) and another at (after) pH = 10 (11, after neutralisation, after vertical part of graph)** (2)

[K_a (K_{In} , pK_a , pK_{In}) value of phenolphthalein acceptable for (4).]

[REFER marks available only if WHAT marks awarded.]



Question 5

QUESTION 9

- (a) DEFINE: (i) **proton (H^+) acceptor //**
 (ii) **two species that differ by a proton (H^+)** (2 × 3)
 [Examples insufficient on their own.]

WHAT: **H_3O^+ / hydronium ion** (3)

- (b) DEFINE: **$\text{pH} = -\log_{10} [\text{H}^+] / -\log_{10} [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] / \text{minus log base 10 hydrogen ion concentration}$**
 expressed in moles per litre (3)

ACCOUNT: [Allow 'hydrochloric' for HCl, 'sulfuric' for H_2SO_4 and 'methanoic' for HCOOH .
 Allow H^+ , proton, H_3O^+ or hydronium ion for 'hydrogen ion'.]

(i) & (ii) First (9) marks available from **one** of the boxes below.

RELEVANT HCl information

0.10 M HCl produces 0.10 M H^+ ion / $\text{pH HCl} = -\log (0.10)$ (6)

or

HCl monoprotic (monobasic) / one molecule HCl produces one H^+ ion //
HCl is strong (fully dissociated into H^+ ions, a good proton donor) (2 × 3)

and

RELEVANT H_2SO_4 information

0.10 M H_2SO_4 produces 0.20 M H^+ ion /

$\text{pH H}_2\text{SO}_4 = -\log (0.20) /$

H_2SO_4 diprotic (dibasic) /

one molecule H_2SO_4 produces two H^+ ions /

H_2SO_4 produces (has) more (twice as many) H^+ ions as HCl (3)

or

RELEVANT H_2SO_4 information

0.10 M H_2SO_4 produces 0.20 M H^+ ion / $\text{pH H}_2\text{SO}_4 = -\log (0.20)$ (6)

or

H_2SO_4 diprotic (dibasic) /

one molecule H_2SO_4 produces two H^+ ions /

H_2SO_4 produces (has) more (twice as many) H^+ ions as HCl (3)

and

RELEVANT HCl information

0.10 M HCl produces 0.10 M H^+ ion / $\text{pH HCl} = -\log (0.10)$ (3)

and

RELEVANT HCOOH information

0.10 M methanoic acid (HCOOH) solution produces 4.27×10^{-3} M (less than

0.10 M) H^+ ion /

$\text{pH HCOOH} = \text{inverse log } (-2.37) \{ \text{antilog } (-2.37) \} /$

HCOOH is weak {slightly (not fully) dissociated into H^+ ions, a poor proton donor} /

HCOOH weaker than HCl (3)

USE: (iii) $K_a = 1.82 \times 10^{-4}$

(6)

$$[H^+] = \text{inverse log } (-2.37) \text{ }^*/ \text{ antilog } (-2.37) \text{ }^* / 4.27 \times 10^{-3} / 10^{-2.37} \quad (3)$$

***Omission of minus loses this (3)**

$$\Rightarrow K_a = \frac{[H^+][A^-]}{[HA]} \left(\frac{[H^+]^2}{[HA]}, \frac{[H^+]^2}{[0.1]} \right) /$$

$$[H^+] = \sqrt{K_a[HA]} / 4.27 \times 10^{-3} = \sqrt{K_a[0.1]} / [H^+]^2 = K_a[HA] / (4.27 \times 10^{-3})^2 = K_a(0.1)$$

$$K_a = 1.82 \times 10^{-4} \quad (3)$$

$$[\text{acid}] = [HA] = [HX] = M = M_a$$

(iv) $\text{pH} = 2.52 \quad (3)$

$$\text{pH} = -\log \sqrt{K_a[HA]}^* = -\log \sqrt{1.82 \times 10^{-4}[0.05]}^* = 2.52 \quad (3)$$

***Omission of minus loses this (3)**

$$[\text{acid}] = [HA] = [HX] = M = M_a$$

(c) DRAW:

axes labelled (pH and volume) //

curve of correct shape with steep rise at 25 cm³ //

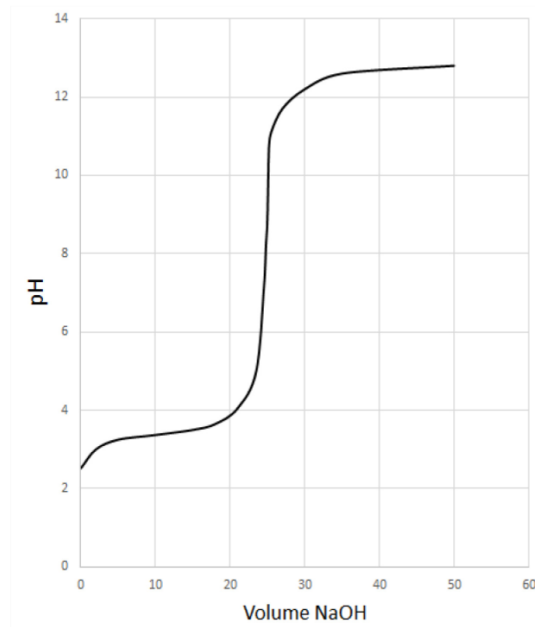
vertical part mostly above pH = 7 //

steep rise coincides with 25 cm³ NaOH

[Allow correct work with volume scale increasing from right to left or pH decreasing on y-axis towards 0.]

[Allow volume on y-axis.]

ANY THREE: (3 × 3)



NAME: **phenolphthalein**

(6)

EXPLAIN:

colour change (indicator range) coincides with sharp rise on graph /

colour change occurs > 7 / colour change occurs between 7 and 10 /

indicator range is 8.3 – 10

(2)

[NAME and EXPLAIN linked]

Question 6

(b) WHAT: substance that **dissociates into OH^- (hydroxyl ions, hydroxide ions) in water (aqueous solution)** /
 substance that **produces OH^- (hydroxyl ions, hydroxide ions) in water (aqueous solution)** /
 substance that **increases concentration of OH^- (hydroxyl ions, hydroxide ions) in aqueous solution** (3)

WHY: NH_3 **accepts a proton (H^+)** (3)
 [Allow 'ammonia (NH_3) accepts protons'.]

CALCULATE: (i) **pH = 0.30** (3)

$$\text{pH} = -\log [\text{H}^+] = -\log 0.50 = \mathbf{0.30} \quad (3)$$

[-0.3 loses this (3).]

(ii) **pH = 2.52** (6)

$$\text{pH} = -\log \sqrt{K_a [\text{HA}]} \quad / \quad \text{pH} = -\log \sqrt{1.8 \times 10^{-5} \times 0.50} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{pH} = \mathbf{2.52} \quad (3)$$

[-2.52 loses this (3).]

$$[\text{acid}] = [\text{HA}] = [\text{HX}] = M = M_a$$

WHICH : **ethanoic acid / CH_3COOH** (3)

STATE: initial **pH is 2.52** / starts at **2.52** / initial **pH is not 0.30** / does **not** start at **0.3** //
vertical part (steep rise) of graph is mostly **above pH = 7 (between 7 and 11)** //
buffering (no pH rise) between 12 and 35 cm^3 NaOH added ANY TWO: (3 + 1)
 [STATE marks only available if WHICH marks awarded.]

WHAT: **changes colour (pH range) between pH = 6 (7, 8) and pH = 9 (10, 11)** /
colour change (pH range of indicator) coincides with steep (vertical) part of graph /
does not change colour before pH = 6 (7, 8) (3)

Question 7

QUESTION 9

(a) DEFINE: $\text{pH} = -\log_{10}[\text{H}^+] / \text{pH} = -\log_{10}[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] /$
minus log base 10 hydrogen ion concentration expressed in moles per litre
 [Deduct 1 for brackets not square.]

WRITE: $K_w = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] / K_w = [\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-]$
 [Deduct 1 for brackets not square.]

[6 + 2]

(b) STATE: **only for aqueous solutions /**
only for dilute solutions /
not effective (reliable, accurate, suitable) in concentrated solutions /
temperature dependent (pH scale 0 - 14 only at 25 °C) (6)

(c) CALCULATE:

(i) $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 2.2 \times 10^{-6} - 2.24 \times 10^{-6}$ moles per litre (6)

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \text{inverse log } (-5.65) / [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \text{antilog}(-5.65) / [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 10^{-5.65} \quad (3)$$

$$\Rightarrow [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 2.2 \times 10^{-6} - 2.24 \times 10^{-6} \text{ moles per litre} \quad (3)$$

(ii) $[\text{OH}^-] = 4 \times 10^{-9} - 5 \times 10^{-9}$ moles per litre (6)

$$\begin{aligned} K_w &= [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] / K_w = 2.2 \times 10^{-6} [\text{OH}^-] \\ \Rightarrow [\text{OH}^-] &= 1.0 \times 10^{-14} \div 2.2 \times 10^{-6} \quad (3) \\ &= 4 \times 10^{-9} - 5 \times 10^{-9} \text{ moles per litre} \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or} \\ \text{pOH} &= 14 - 5.65 = 8.35 \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{OH}^-] &= \text{inverse log } (-8.35) / [\text{OH}^-] = \text{antilog}(-8.35) / [\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-8.35} \\ \Rightarrow [\text{OH}^-] &= 4 \times 10^{-9} - 5 \times 10^{-9} \text{ moles per litre} \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

(d) (i) WHAT: **20.0 cm³** (3)

(ii) DEDUCE: A: **1.0 M**
 B: **0.5 M**
 C: **1.0 M**
 D: **1.0 M** (4 × 3)
 [Take order of the question unless responses are clearly labelled.]

(iii) WHICH: **C** (3)

JUSTIFY: **lower initial pH (D has higher initial pH, greater initial H⁺ concentration, [H⁺] higher initially) / from graph 1.8 – 1.9 < 2.2 – 2.3 /**
K_a of C > K_a of D shown by calculation using $\text{pH} = -\log\sqrt{K_a[\text{acid}]}$ /
first part of C curve below D curve /
C curve becomes steep (vertical) first /
C has longer vertical part to its pH curve /
C curve closer to strong A curve (3)
 [JUSTIFY marks only available if WHICH marks awarded.]

(iv) WHAT: **CH₃COO⁻** (3)

Question 8

QUESTION 7

(a) (i) DEFINE: **proton (hydrogen ion, H^+) donor** (3)

(ii) WHAT: is a **good proton (H^+) donor** / has a **weak conjugate base** / **fully dissociated** / has **large (complete) degree of dissociation** into ions / **K_a value large** (3)

(iii) IDENTIFY: **OCI^-** (3)

(iv) IDENTIFY: **H_2SO_4** (3)

(b) CALCULATE: (i) **pH = 1.1** (6)

$[H^+] = 0.08$	(2)
$pH = -\log_{10}[H^+] / pH = -\log_{10}[H_3O^+]$	(2)
pH = 1.1	(2)

CALCULATE: (ii) **pH = 4.5** (6)

$pH = -\log\sqrt{K_a[HA]}$ ($pH = -\log\sqrt{1.2 \times 10^{-9}}$, $pH = -\log(3.5 \times 10^{-5})$)	(3)
pH = 4.5	(3)

Question 9

QUESTION 7

(a) DEFINE: (i) **dissociates in water (aqueous solution) // to produce protons (hydrogen ions, H⁺)** (2 × 2)
[Allow H₃O⁺ (hydronium ions)]

(ii) **proton (hydrogen ion, H⁺) donor** (4)

(iii) STATE: **protons (H⁺ ions) do not exist alone in solution / protons (H⁺ ions) from dissociation donated (become attached, transferred) to water (some other species) / protons (H⁺ ions) become H₃O⁺ (hydronium ions) / water must always be involved (theory confined to aqueous solutions) / NH₃ cannot be considered a base / water cannot be considered amphoteric (amphoteric substances not explained)** (6)

(iv) WHAT: **two species (two substances, an acid and a base) that differ by a proton (H⁺) / base accepts proton to become its conjugate acid / acid donates proton to become its conjugate base** (3)

(b) DISTINGUISH: **greater the tendency of an acid to donate protons (more the acid tends to dissociate into ions) the stronger it is / less the tendency of an acid to donate protons (less the acid tends to dissociate into ions) the weaker it is** (6)

or

strong acid:

is a **good proton (H⁺) donor / has a weak conjugate base / fully dissociated / has large (complete) degree of dissociation into ions / K_a value large //**

weak acid:

is a **poor proton (H⁺) donor / has a strong conjugate base / dissociated into ions to small extent / slightly* dissociated / K_a value small**

(2 × 3)

[*Accept weak acid only partly dissociated.]

(c) WRITE: **HSO₄⁻ + H₂O ⇌ SO₄²⁻ + H₃O⁺** FORMULAE: (3) BALANCING: (3)
[non equilibrium arrow acceptable here]

(d) (i) WRITE: **HA + H₂O ⇌ H₃O⁺ + A⁻** FORMULAE: (3) BALANCING: (3)
[non equilibrium arrow unacceptable....(-1)]

(ii) FIND: **[H₃O⁺] = [A⁻] = 1.5 × 10⁻³ (3/2000, 0.0015) M** (3)

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = [\text{A}^-]$$

$$1.5\% \text{ of } 0.1 = 1.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (3/2000, 0.0015) M} \quad (3)$$

(iii) CALCULATE: pH = **2.82** (6)

$$\text{pH} = -\log_{10}[\text{H}^+] / \text{pH} = -\log_{10}[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] / \text{pH} = -\log_{10}(1.5 \times 10^{-3}) \quad (3)$$

$$\text{pH} = \mathbf{2.82} \quad (3)$$

(iv) CALCULATE: $K_a = \mathbf{2.25 \times 10^{-5} - 2.55 \times 10^{-5}}$ (6)

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]} / \text{Allow } K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]} \quad (3)$$

$$= \frac{(1.5 \times 10^{-3})^2}{0.10} = \mathbf{2.25 \times 10^{-5}} \quad (3)$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pH} &= -\log \sqrt{K_a[\text{HA}]} & / \text{antilog}(-\text{pH}) &= \sqrt{K_a[\text{HA}]} / \\ \mathbf{2.82} &= -\log \sqrt{K_a[\text{HA}]} & / \text{antilog}(-\mathbf{2.82}) &= \sqrt{K_a[\text{HA}]} / & 10^{-2.82} = \sqrt{K_a[\text{HA}]} / \\ \mathbf{2.82} &= -\log \sqrt{K_a[0.10]} & / \text{antilog}(-\mathbf{2.82}) &= \sqrt{K_a[0.10]} / & 10^{-2.82} = \sqrt{K_a[0.10]} / \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] &= \sqrt{K_a[\text{HA}]} & / 1.5 \times 10^{-3} &= \sqrt{K_a[\text{HA}]} & / \text{Allow } [\text{H}^+] &= \sqrt{K_a[\text{HA}]} / \\ [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] &= \sqrt{K_a[0.10]} & / 1.5 \times 10^{-3} &= \sqrt{K_a[0.10]} & / \text{Allow } [\text{H}^+] &= \sqrt{K_a[\text{HA}]} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2.29 \times 10^{-6} &= K_a \times 0.10 \\ \Rightarrow K_a &= \mathbf{2.25 \times 10^{-5} - 2.51 \times 10^{-5}} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Accept [HA] after dissociation taken as $0.10 - 1.5 \times 10^{-3} = 0.0985 \text{ M}$

Question 10

a	b	c	d	e	f
8	6	6	12	6	12

(a) WHAT: **proton (H^+) donor** (4)

HOW: **greater the tendency of an acid to donate protons (more the acid tends to dissociate into ions) the stronger it is / less the tendency of an acid to donate protons (less the acid tends to dissociate into ions) the weaker it is** (4)

or

strong acid:

is a good proton (H^+) donor / has a weak conjugate base / has large (complete) degree of dissociation into ions / K_a value large //

weak acid:

is a poor proton (H^+) donor / has a strong conjugate base / dissociated into ions to small extent / slightly (only partly) dissociated / K_a value small (2 × 2)

(b) WHAT IS: (i) **H_2SO_4** (3)

(ii) **SO_4^{2-}** (3)

(c) DESCRIBE: **add (mix) barium chloride (BaCl_2) solution dropwise to (with) few cm^3 of sample (water) in test-tube //**
white (cloudiness, precipitate, solid) insoluble in HCl (remains after addition of HCl) when sulfate present (positive result) (2 × 3)

(d) CALCULATE: (i) **$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 2.5 \times 10^{-6} - 2.512 \times 10^{-6}$ moles per litre** (6)

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \text{inverse log}(-5.6) / [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \text{antilog}(-5.6) / [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 10^{-5.6} \quad (3)$$

$$\Rightarrow [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 2.5119 \times 10^{-6} \text{ moles per litre} \quad (3)$$

(ii) $[\text{OH}^-] = 1.58 \times 10^{-7} - 1.6 \times 10^{-7}$ moles per litre (6)

$\text{pOH} = 14 - 7.2 = 6.8$ (3)

$[\text{OH}^-] = \text{inverse log}(-6.8) / [\text{OH}^-] = \text{antilog}(-6.8) / [\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-6.8}$

$\Rightarrow [\text{OH}^-] = 1.58 \times 10^{-7} - 1.6 \times 10^{-7}$ moles per litre (3)

or

$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \text{inverse log}(-7.2) / [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \text{antilog}(-7.2) / [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 10^{-7.2}$

$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 6.31 \times 10^{-8}$ (3)

$\Rightarrow [\text{OH}^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-14} \div 6.31 \times 10^{-8} = 1.58 \times 10^{-7} - 1.6 \times 10^{-7}$ moles per litre (3)

(e) CALCULATE:

$\text{pH} = 3.1 - 3.12$ (6)

$\text{pH} = -\log\sqrt{K_a[\text{HA}]} / \text{pH} = -\log\sqrt{(4.0 \times 10^{-4}) \times (1.5 \times 10^{-3})}$ (3)

$\text{pH} = 3.1 - 3.12$ (3)

[negative answer is not a slip error here]

$[\text{HA}] = [\text{HX}] = M = M_a = [\text{acid}] = [\text{indicator}]$



(ii) WHAT: **yellow (orange)** colour observed / red changes to **yellow (orange)** / **yellow (orange)** colour intensifies / **colour of A^-** observed (3)

EXPLAIN: **H_3O^+ (H^+) ions removed** by OH^- ions of base to form water / **$\text{H}_3\text{O}^+ + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$** / **$\text{H}^+ + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}$** / **lower $[\text{H}^+]$ / lower $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$ //** **equilibrium (reaction) moves to right (products, yellow side) / more A^- at new equilibrium** (2 × 3)
[WHAT must be correct for EXPLAIN to be awarded marks.]

Question 11

QUESTION 7

(a) DISTING: *strong acid: good proton (H^+) donor / readily donates proton (H^+) //*
weak acid: poor (weak) proton donor (5 + 3)
 ['Does not readily donate a proton' or references to dissociation not acceptable and cancellation applies.]

(b) IDENTIFY: H_2O // NO_2^- (2 × 3)

(c) DEFINE: $-\log_{10}[\text{H}^+] / -\log_{10}[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$ (3)
 [Square brackets essential.][Mathematical definition expressed in words is acceptable.]

CALCULATE: **0.01 M** (3)

$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \text{inverse log}_{10}(-2) = \mathbf{0.01\ M} \quad (3)$

EXPLAIN: **concentration of hydronium (hydrogen) ions $\{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+], [\text{H}^+]\}$ lower than 0.2 M /**
small (low, 5%) level of dissociation (only slightly dissociated (ionised), almost undissociated, only 0.01 M dissociated) /
a strong monobasic acid with concentration 0.2 M would have a concentration of hydronium (hydrogen) ions $\{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+], [\text{H}^+]\} = 0.2$ /
a strong monobasic acid with concentration 0.2 M would have a pH = 0.7 /
 K_a of nitrous acid from data supplied is only $[0.01]^2 \div [0.2] = 5 \times 10^{-4}$ and is consistent with weak acid (3)

WHAT: **0.01 M** (3)

CALCULATE: 1×10^{-12} M (6)

$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] = 1 \times 10^{-14} \quad (3)$
$[\text{OH}^-] = 1 \times 10^{-14} \div 0.01 = 1 \times 10^{-12} \text{ M} \quad (3)$
$\text{pH} + \text{pOH} = 14 / \text{pOH} = 12 \quad (3)$
$[\text{OH}^-] = \text{inverse log}_{10}(-12) = 1 \times 10^{-12} \text{ M} \quad (3)$

(e) EXPLAIN: causes **rapid growth of water plants (algae) / causes algal blooms //**
decay of these plants by aerobic microorganisms (bacteria, decomposers) /
respiration by decomposers (bacteria, microorganisms) of these plants uses up oxygen /
surface plants block light preventing (reducing) photosynthesis (2 × 3)

Question 12

- (b) DEFINE: **proton (hydrogen ion, H^+) donor**
- WHAT: acid and base that **differ by a proton (hydrogen ion, H^+)** (4 + 3)
- STATE: **purple //**
- EXPLAIN: **hydroxyl (hydroxide) ions (OH^-) remove hydrogen ions (H^+) causing the reaction (equilibrium) to shift forward (to the right)** (2 × 3)
- CALC: (i) **pH = 13.7** (6)
- | | |
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| $\begin{aligned} pOH &= -\log 0.5 = \mathbf{0.3} \quad (3) \\ pH &= 14 - 0.3 = \mathbf{13.7} \quad (3) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} [H^+] &= 10^{-14} \div 0.5 = \mathbf{2 \times 10^{-14}} \quad (3) \\ pH &= -\log 2 \times 10^{-14} = \mathbf{13.7} \quad (3) \end{aligned}$ |
|---|--|
- (ii) **pH = 2.85** (6)
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| $\begin{aligned} pH &= -\log \sqrt{2.0 \times 10^{-5} \times 0.1} \quad (3) \\ &= \mathbf{2.85} \quad (3) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} [H^+] &= \sqrt{2.0 \times 10^{-5} \times 0.1} \quad (3) \\ pH &= -\log [H^+] = \mathbf{2.85} \quad (3) \end{aligned}$ |
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Question 13

QUESTION 7

- (a) (i) *acid*: **proton (hydrogen ion, H^+) donor** (4)
- (ii) *conjugate pair*: acid & base that **differ by a proton (hydrogen ion, H^+)** (4)
- IDENTIFY: **HNO_2 & NO_2^- // H_2O & H_3O^+** (2 × 3)
- DISTING: *strong*: **good proton donor / completely (high) dissoc.** into ions in dil. aq.soln. (3)
- weak*: **poor proton donor / slightly (low) dissoc.** into ions in dil. aq. soln. (3)
[Accept “does not readily dissoc.” but not “does not completely (fully) dissoc.”]
- (b) CALC: **pH = 2.15** [or answers that give 2.15 when corrected to two decimal places.] (9)
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| $\begin{aligned} pH &= -\log \sqrt{K_a \times M} \quad (3) \\ &= -\log \sqrt{5 \times 10^{-4} \times 0.1} \quad (3) \\ &= \mathbf{2.15} \quad (3) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} K_a &= \frac{[H^+][NO_2^-]}{[HNO_2]} = \frac{[H^+]^2}{0.1} = 5 \times 10^{-4} \\ [H^+]^2 &= 5 \times 10^{-5} \quad (3) \\ [H^+] &= 0.007 \quad (3) \\ pH &= 2.15 \quad (3) \end{aligned}$ |
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- WHAT: **1** (6)
- | |
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| $\begin{aligned} pH &= -\log [H^+] = -\log [0.1] \quad (3) \\ &= \mathbf{1} \quad (3) \end{aligned}$ |
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Question 14

QUESTION 8

- (a) DEFINE: (i) *acid*: **proton (hydrogen ion, H^+) donor** (4)
 (ii) *base*: **proton (hydrogen ion, H^+) acceptor** (4)

- (b) IDENTIFY: **acid** (3) **its conjugate base** (3)

acid = H_2F^+ (3)	its conjugate base = HF (3)
acid = HCl (3)	its conjugate base = Cl^- (3)

[If not specified as acid and conjugate base, take the order in the question to be the intended order. Accept if indicated correctly on the equation.]

- (c) CALCULATE: **3.22 / 3.2** (12)

$pH = -\log \sqrt{K_a \times M}$	(3)
$pH = -\log \sqrt{1.8 \times 10^{-4} \times 0.002} / -\log \sqrt{3.6 \times 10^{-7}} / -\log 0.0006 / -\log 6 \times 10^{-4}$	(3)
$pH = 3.22$	(6)

OR

$[H^+]^2 = K_a \cdot M / 1.8 \times 10^{-4} \times 0.002 / 3.6 \times 10^{-7}$	(3)*
$[H^+] = \sqrt{1.8 \times 10^{-4} \times 0.002} / \sqrt{3.6 \times 10^{-7}} / 0.0006 / 6 \times 10^{-4}$	(3)*
$pH = 3.22$	(6)

* $[H^+]^2$ and $[H^+]$ are required in the case of these marks.

Question 15

(a) (i) **proton donor / donor of hydrogen ions (H^+)** (4)

(ii) **proton acceptor / acceptor of hydrogen ions (H^+)** (4)

Identify: H_2S (3) OH^- (3) *Note: both are acids; both are also conjugate acids. Therefore, the order does not matter.*

(b) $\text{pH} = -\log_{10}[\text{H}^+] / -\log_{10}[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] / \text{negative log to base ten of hydrogen (hydronium) ion concentration}$ (6)

Calc: $\text{pH} = 2.37 - 2.4$ (12)

$$\begin{aligned} 6\% \text{ (w/v)} &= 6 \text{ g in } 100 \text{ cm}^3 = 60 \text{ g l}^{-1} \quad (3) \\ 60 \text{ g l}^{-1} \div 60 &= 1 \text{ mol l}^{-1} \quad (3) \\ [\text{H}^+]^2 &= 1.8 \times 10^{-5} / [\text{H}^+] = \sqrt{1.8 \times 10^{-5}} / 0.0042 \quad (3) \\ \text{pH} = -\log [\text{H}^+] &= -\log \sqrt{1.8 \times 10^{-5}} = 2.37 - 2.4 \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

OR

$$\begin{aligned} 6\% \text{ (w/v)} &= 6 \text{ g in } 100 \text{ cm}^3 = 60 \text{ g l}^{-1} \quad (3) \\ 60 \text{ g l}^{-1} \div 60 &= 1 \text{ mol l}^{-1} \quad (3) \\ \text{pH} &= -\log \sqrt{K_a \times M} / -\log \sqrt{1.8 \times 10^{-5} \times 1} \quad (3) \\ &= -\log \sqrt{1.8 \times 10^{-5}} = 2.37 - 2.4 \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

For second (3) use the number coming from the first point even if that number is 6. However, division by a number other than 60 loses this (3) unless there is clear evidence of a slip.

As above.

Question 16

- (a) (i) *strong*: almost **completely dissociated to give hydrogen ions (H^+)** in solution // [Accept 'readily,' 'fully' for 'completely'.]
weak: only **slightly dissociated to give hydrogen ions (H^+)** in solution (2 × 3)
 [Accept 'partially' for 'slightly.' Do not accept 'not fully' for 'slightly.']

- (ii) *strong*: **good proton (hydrogen ion, H^+) donor** //
weak: **poor proton (hydrogen ion, H^+) donor** (2 × 3)

- (b) (i) *sulfuric acid*: **HSO_4^-** (3)
 (ii) *HA*: **A^-** (3)

WHICH: **A^- / conjugate base of weak acid** (3)

EXPL: **conjugate base of weak acid / weak acids (HA) exist(s) in undissociated (associated, unionised, molecular) form in water / A^- more likely to accept a proton / strong acids (H_2SO_4) remain dissociated (ionised) in water** (3)

- (c) EXPL: **$\text{HSO}_4^- + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{SO}_4^{2-} + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+$** (6)
 [If incomplete, mark as: $\text{HSO}_4^- \rightarrow \text{SO}_4^{2-}$ // $\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ (2 × 3)]

- (d) DEF: **minus log (negative log) to base 10 of hydrogen (hydronium) ion concentration /**
 $-\log_{10}[\text{H}^+] / -\log_{10}[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] / \log_{10} \frac{1}{[\text{H}^+]} / \log_{10} \frac{1}{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]}$ (6)

CALC: **pH = 2.45** (9)

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]} / \frac{[\text{H}^+]^2}{0.2} = 6.3 \times 10^{-5} / [\text{H}^+]^2 = 1.26 \times 10^{-5} \quad (3)$$

$$\Rightarrow [\text{H}^+] = 3.5 \times 10^{-3} \quad (3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{pH} = 2.45 \quad (3)$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pH} &= -\log_{10} \sqrt{K_a[\text{M}]} \\ &= -\log_{10} \sqrt{[6.3 \times 10^{-5}] \cdot [0.2]} \\ \text{pH} &= 2.45 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{H}^+] &= \sqrt{K_a[\text{M}]} \\ &= \sqrt{[6.3 \times 10^{-5}] \cdot [0.2]} \\ \text{pH} &= 2.45 \end{aligned}$$

CONC: **$1.75 \times 10^{-3} - 1.77 \times 10^{-3}$** (5)

$$[\text{H}^+] / \text{inv. log} - \text{pH} / \text{inv. log} - 2.45 = 3.55 \times 10^{-3} / 3.5 \times 10^{-3} \quad (3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{M} = 3.55 \times 10^{-3} \div 2 = 1.77 \times 10^{-3} / 1.75 \times 10^{-3} \quad (2)$$

Question 17

(4 + 3)

(b) DEFINE: (i) *Arrhenius*: dissociates to produce **hydroxyl (hydroxide) ions (OH^-)**
in aqueous solution (water) //

(ii) *Brønsted-Lowry*: **proton (hydrogen ion, H^+) acceptor** (4 + 3)

GIVE: (i) H_2PO_4^- // (ii) PO_4^{3-} (2 × 3)

CALCULATE: **11.28 (11.3)** (12)

$$7 \text{ g of } \text{NH}_4\text{OH} = 7 \div 35 = 0.2 \text{ mol} \Rightarrow 0.2 \text{ M } \text{NH}_4\text{OH} \quad (3)$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = \sqrt{1.8 \times 10^{-5} \times 0.2} / 1.9 \times 10^{-3} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{pOH} = -\log 1.9 \times 10^{-3} = 2.72 \text{ (2.7)} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{pH} = 14 - 2.72 \text{ (2.7)} = 11.28 \text{ (11.3)} \quad (3)$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = \sqrt{1.8 \times 10^{-5} \times 0.2} / 1.9 \times 10^{-3} \quad (3)$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = \frac{1 \times 10^{-14}}{\sqrt{1.8 \times 10^{-5} \times 0.2}} / \frac{1 \times 10^{-14}}{1.9 \times 10^{-3}} / 5.3 \times 10^{-12} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log 5.3 \times 10^{-12} = 11.28 \text{ (11.3)} \quad (3)$$

Question 18

QUESTION 8

(a) (i) WRITE: $2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ + \text{OH}^- / \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{OH}^-$
[Accept with = or →] FORMULAS: (3) BALANCING: (2)

(ii) DEFINE: $[\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-] / [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] / \text{product of concentrations of hydrogen ions (H}^+) \text{ and hydroxyl (hydroxide) ions (OH}^-) \text{ in water}$ (3)

SHOW: in pure water $= [\text{H}^+] ([\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]) = [\text{OH}^-] / [\text{H}^+]^2 ([\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]^2) = 1 \times 10^{-14}$ (3)

$\Rightarrow [\text{H}^+] ([\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]) = \sqrt{1 \times 10^{-14}} = 1 \times 10^{-7}$ (3)

$\text{pH} = -\log 1 \times 10^{-7} = 7$ [Accept without '1 ×'] (3)

(iii) STRONG: **0.3** (3)

$$\text{pH} = -\log 0.5 = 0.3 \quad (3)$$

WEAK: **2.52 (2.5)** (9)

$\frac{[\text{H}^+]^2}{0.5} = \frac{1.8 \times 10^{-5}}{[\text{H}^+]^2} = 9.0 \times 10^{-6} \quad (3)$
$\Rightarrow [\text{H}^+] = \sqrt{9.0 \times 10^{-6}} = 3.0 \times 10^{-3} \quad (3)$
$\text{pH} = -\log 3.0 \times 10^{-3} = 2.52 \quad (3)$

OR

$\text{pH} = -\log \sqrt{K_a \times M} \quad (3) = -\log \sqrt{1.8 \times 10^{-5} \times 0.5} \quad (3) \Rightarrow \text{pH} = 2.52 \quad (3)$

Question 19

- (a) (i) DISTNG: *strong acid: good proton donor / readily donates protons / almost fully dissociated //*
weak acid: poor proton donor / slightly (poorly, weakly) dissociated (2 × 3)
 [Allow 'Partly (partially, not fully) dissociated' and 'does not readily donate protons' for weak acid description.]

- (ii) CALCULATE: **0.005 M** (6)

$$\text{pH} = -\log [\text{H}^+] \Rightarrow [\text{H}^+] = \text{inverse log } (-2) = \mathbf{0.01} \quad (3)$$

$$0.01 \div 2 \text{ (dibasic)} = \mathbf{0.005 \text{ M}} \quad (3)$$

- CALCULATE: **5/9 (0.556) M [0.55 – 0.56 M]** (6)

$$\text{pH} = -\log [\text{H}^+] \Rightarrow [\text{H}^+] = \text{inverse log } (-2) = \mathbf{0.01}$$

$$\Rightarrow K_a (1.8 \times 10^{-4}) = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]} \left(\frac{[\text{H}^+]^2}{[\text{HA}]} , \frac{(0.01)^2}{[\text{HA}]} \right) / [\text{HA}] = \frac{(0.01)^2}{1.8 \times 10^{-4}} / [\text{HA}] = \frac{(0.01)^2}{K_a} /$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = \sqrt{K_a [\text{HA}]} / 0.01 = \sqrt{1.8 \times 10^{-4} [\text{HA}]} / [\text{H}^+]^2 = K_a [\text{HA}] / (0.01)^2 = \mathbf{1.8 \times 10^{-4} [\text{HA}]} \quad (3)$$

$$[\text{HA}] = \mathbf{5/9 (0.55555) \text{ M}} \quad \mathbf{[0.5556 - 0.56 \text{ M}]} \quad (3)$$

$$[\text{acid}] = [\text{HA}] = [\text{HX}] = M = M_a$$

- (iii) DEFINE: $K_w = [\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-] / K_w = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] /$ **product of molar concentrations of hydrogen (hydronium) ions (H^+ , H_3O^+) and hydroxide (hydroxyl) ions (OH^-) in water** (3)

- WHAT: **$3.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ M}$** (4)

$$K_w (9.0 \times 10^{-14}) = [\text{H}^+]^2 / [\text{H}^+] = \sqrt{K_w} (\sqrt{9.0 \times 10^{-14}}) / [\text{H}^+] = [\text{OH}^-]$$

$$\Rightarrow [\text{H}^+] = \mathbf{3.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ M}} \quad (4)$$

Question 20

(a) USE: (i) $\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{HCl} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ + \text{Cl}^-$ (3)
[Accept any style arrow, equals sign or equilibrium indicator.]

(ii) $\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{NH}_3 \rightleftharpoons \text{NH}_4^+ + \text{OH}^-$ (3)
[Accept any style arrow, equals sign or equilibrium indicator.]

EXPLAIN: (iii) **strong acid / good proton donor / equilibrium lies on right / forward reaction favoured / Cl^- cannot readily accept protons / Cl^- poor proton acceptor** (3)
[Accept 'fully dissociated'.]

(iv) **weak base / poor proton acceptor / equilibrium lies on left / reverse reaction favoured / NH_4^+ readily donates protons / NH_4^+ good proton donor** (3)
[Accept 'not fully dissociated'.]

(b) (i) WRITE: $K_w = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] / K_w = [\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-]$ (6)
[Allow 3 if $[\text{H}_2\text{O}]$ appears in expression]
[Deduct 3 for brackets not square.]

(ii) ARE: **endothermic** (3)

JUSTIFY: **more ions at higher temperature (when heated) / K_w bigger at higher temperature (when heated) / forward reaction favoured (equilibrium moves to the right) at higher temperature (when heated)**
[ARE and JUSTIFY linked.]

Temperature (°C)	K_w
0	0.1×10^{-14}
10	0.3×10^{-14}
20	0.7×10^{-14}
30	1.4×10^{-14}
40	2.9×10^{-14}
50	5.3×10^{-14}
60	9.3×10^{-14}

(iii) PLOT: A: **one axis labelled temperature (°C)** (3)
B: **appropriate correct numeric scales on both axes** (3)
C: **careful plotting of 7 points to give smooth curve of correct shape** (8)

[Deduct (1) in C for each of the following:
poor curve;
all pairs of points connected with straight lines;
graph not on graph paper.]
[Temperature *versus* K_w graph acceptable.]

(iv) USE: $2.3 \times 10^{-14} [2.1 \times 10^{-14} - 2.5 \times 10^{-14}]$ (6)

(v) USE: $1.51 \times 10^{-7} [1.44 \times 10^{-7} - 1.59 \times 10^{-7}]$ (3)

$[\text{H}^+] = \sqrt{K_w} / [\text{H}^+] = \sqrt{2.3 \times 10^{-14}} \Rightarrow$ $[\text{H}^+] = 1.51 \times 10^{-7}$	(3)
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(vi) FIND: **40 °C** (3)

$[\text{H}^+] = \text{inverse log } (-6.77) / [\text{H}^+] = \text{antilog}(-6.77) / [\text{H}^+] = 10^{-6.77} / [\text{H}^+] = 1.69 \times 10^{-7} - 1.7 \times 10^{-7}$	(2)
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$K_w = 2.9 \times 10^{-14} \Rightarrow 40 \text{ °C}$	(1)
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Accept for 3 marks trial and error testing by getting square root of K_w values and pH of corresponding $[\text{H}^+]$ values if correct temperature is deduced.