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MODULE II

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

*You should have the following for this examination:*

*Answer booklet;*

*Non-programmable scientific calculator.*

*This paper consists of TWO sections; A and B.*

*Answer ALL the questions in section A and any THREE questions from section B.*

*Each question in section A carries 4 marks while each question in section B carries 20 marks.*

*Maximum marks for each part of a question are indicated.*

*Candidates should answer the questions in English.*

**This question paper consists of 4 printed pages.**

**Candidates must check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.**

**SECTION A (40 marks)**

*Answer ALL the questions in this section.*

1. List **four** classes of cosmetics. (4 marks)
2. State **four** uses of cosmetics. (4 marks)
3. Differentiate between unit *operation* and unit *process*. (4 marks)
4. (a) State **four** purposes of testing melting point of lipsticks. (1 mark)  
(b) Describe the melting point test of lipsticks. (3 marks)
5. (a) Define the term evaporation. (1 mark)  
(b) Explain **three** factors that determine the rate of evaporation. (3 marks)
6. State **four** factors that influence the intensity of emitted radiations in atomic emission spectroscopy (AES). (4 marks)
7. A photometer with linear response to radiation gave a reading of 685 mV with a blank in the path of radiation and 179 mV when the blank was replaced by a absorbing sample of 200 ppm of  $K_2Cr_2O_7$ . Given that K = 39, Cr = 52, O = 16, calculate the absorbance of the sample. (4 marks)
8. Explain the following terms as used in UV-visible spectroscopy.  
(a) chromophore;  
(b) bathochromic shift. (4 marks)
9. Define the following terms as used in instrumental methods of analysis:  
(a) instrumental methods of analysis; (2 marks)  
(b) instrumental calibration. (2 marks)
10. Describe the preparation of 200 cm<sup>3</sup> of a solution of calcium carbonate of concentration 200 ppm with respect to calcium. (4 marks)

SECTION B (60 marks)

Answer any **THREE** questions from this section.

11. (a) (i) Explain two conditions required for analysis of a sample by flame emission spectroscopy (FES). (4 marks)
- (ii) Describe the basic operating principles of flame emission spectroscopy (FES). (8 marks)
- (b) Describe how standard addition method is used for the calibration of flame emission spectroscopy (FES). (8 marks)
12. (a) (i) List **three** common interferences in UV-visible spectrophotometry. (3 marks)
- (ii) State **three** advantages of UV-visible spectrophotometry as a method of analysis. (3 marks)
- (b) (i) Define the phrase '*instrumental sensitivity*'. (1 mark)
- (ii) Determine the instrumental sensitivity of  $\text{KMnO}_4$ , whose absorbance is 0.65 in a 200 ppm solution. (*f.wt*  $\text{KMnO}_4 = 158$ ). (4 marks)
- (c) Draw a labelled schematic diagram of a double beam UV-visible spectrophotometer. (9 marks)
13. (a) (i) A metal ore is suspected to contain magnesium as magnesium carbonate. Describe how the ore can be digested into an aqueous solution. (4 marks)
- (ii) Describe how the amount of magnesium in the ore can be quantified by flame photometry. (6 marks)
- (b) The data in table I are results that were obtained in a calibration experiment for the quantitative estimation of magnesium in a mineral ore by flame photometry.

Table I

Concentration of standards in ppm	0.00	5.00	10.00	15.00	20.00
Relative detector response	25.0	35.0	54.8	69.0	82.10

- (i) Calculate the corrected relative detector response.
- (ii) Plot the calibration curve and use it to determine the concentration of magnesium in a sample whose corrected detector response was 24.00 .

14. (a) Explain the following terms as used in water quality analysis:
- (i) alkalinity;
  - (ii) total dissolved solids;
  - (iii) biological oxygen demand.
  - (iv) total hardness.
- (4 marks)
- (b) Describe the process of extraction of cellulose materials. (8 marks)
- (c) Describe **four** characteristics of a good lipstick. (8 marks)
15. (a) (i) Define the term distillation. (2 marks)
- (ii) State the following types of distillation as applied in unit operation processes:
- I. steam distillation; (2 marks)
  - II. fractional distillation; (2 marks)
  - III. vacuum distillation. (2 marks)
- (b) Explain the meaning of the following types of surfactants as used in the manufacture of detergents:
- (i) anionic surfactants;
  - (ii) cationic surfactants;
  - (iii) non-ionic surfactants;
  - (iv) amphoteric surfactants.
- (8 marks)
- (c) Give **two** applications for each of the following unit operations techniques.
- (i) centrifugation;
  - (ii) crystallization.
- (4 marks)

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