

The Determination of Water

A Spectrophotometric Titration

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Common Problem & Need

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General Chapters: <921> WATER DETERMINATION - first page

www.pharmacopeia.cn/v29240/usp29nf24s0_c921.html ▼

Many Pharmacopeial articles either are hydrates or contain water in adsorbed form. As a result, the determination of the water content is important in ...

Introduction-Methods for Determination of Water - Analytical Chemistry ...

pubs.acs.org/doi/abs/10.1021/ac60056a002 ▼

by JW Stillman - 1951 - Cited by 3 - Related articles

Introduction-Methods for Determination of Water. J. W. Stillman. Anal. Chem. , 1951, 23 (8), pp 1058–1058. DOI: 10.1021/ac60056a002. Publication Date: ...

Determination of Water Content in Candies | Sigma-Aldrich

www.sigmaaldrich.com/technical-documents/articles/.../determination-of-water.html ▼

Water content determination by Karl Fischer titration is a fast, accurate, and reliable method. Especially for food samples, the Karl Fischer (KF) titration shows ...

Water Determination in Pharmaceutical Compounds | Sigma-Aldrich

www.sigmaaldrich.com/technical-documents/articles/.../water-determination0.html ▼

Sigma-Aldrich.com presents an article concerning water determination in pharmaceutical compounds.

Determination of Water Content in Acetone Using Karl Fischer Titration ...

www.sigmaaldrich.com/.../water-determination-in-acetone-r676-by-karl-fischer-titrati... ▼

At the same time water is formed. Cyclohexanone and acetone react rapidly, long chain ketones react more slowly. Aromatically substituted ketones only react ...

determination of water content

www.uta.edu/ce/geotech/lab/Main/wtrcnt/wtrcnt.htm ▼

Determination of Water Content in Soil. Testing objectives: · Determination of the natural content of the given soil sample. · Testing conforms to ASTM D2216-90.

DETERMINATION OF WATER CONTENT OF SOIL - The Constructor

theconstructor.org › Geotechnical Engineering › GE Lab Tests ▼

A) By oven dry method Theory: The water content (w) of a soil sample is equal to the mass of water divided by the mass of solids. Where M1=mass of empty co.

DETERMINATION OF MOISTURE AND TOTAL SOLIDS

people.umass.edu/~mcclemen/581Moisture.html ▼

Where mw is the mass of the water and msample is the mass of the sample. ... Sometimes food analysts are interested in determining the amounts of water in ...

ASTM D2216 - 10 Standard Test Methods for Laboratory ...

www.astm.org/Standards/D2216.htm ▼

In fine-grained (cohesive) soils, the consistency of a given soil type depends on its water content. ... 1.1 These test methods cover the laboratory determination of the water (moisture) content by mass of soil, rock, and similar materials where the reduction in mass by drying is due ...

[PDF] The determination of water by coulometric titration - Oak Ridge ...

web.ornl.gov/info/reports/1955/3445603607568.pdf ▼

THE DETERMINATION OF WATER BY COULOMETRIC TITRATION. A. S. Meyer, Jr. and CM. Boyd. May 20, 1955. ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY DIVISION.

Determination of water in forages and animal feeds by Karl Fischer ...

www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/9477559

by T Van Erem - 1998 - Cited by 7 - Related articles

J AOAC Int. 1998 Jan-Feb;81(1):25-32. Determination of water in forages and animal feeds by Karl Fischer titration. Van Erem T(1), Thiex N, Pohmer J, ...

[PDF] Water Determination (Karl Fischer Method)

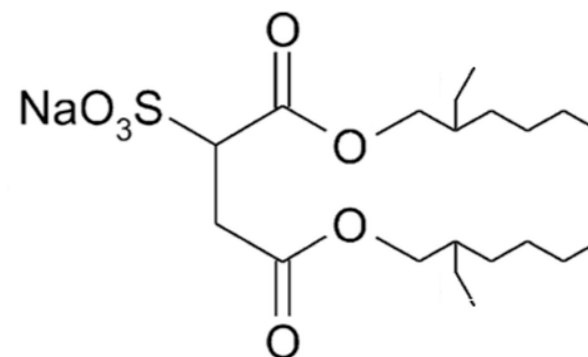
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The Water Determination Test (Karl Fischer Method) is designed to determine water content in substances, utilizing the quantitative reaction of water with iodine.

Ubiquitous Measurement

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- Measured in many systems
- Ours is sodium bis(ethylhexyl)sulfosuccinate



Also known as: AOT

An anionic surfactant useful in forming micelles

Known to be hydroscopic and contains an undetermined amount of water as received from supplier

Standard Methods

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- Karl Fisher Titration
 - SO_2 , pyridine and iodine (Ugh)
- IR spectroscopy
 - Good method, expensive instrument
- NMR spectroscopy
 - Great method, more expensive instrument
- Spectrophotometry
 - Intriguing method

Spectrophotometric Titration

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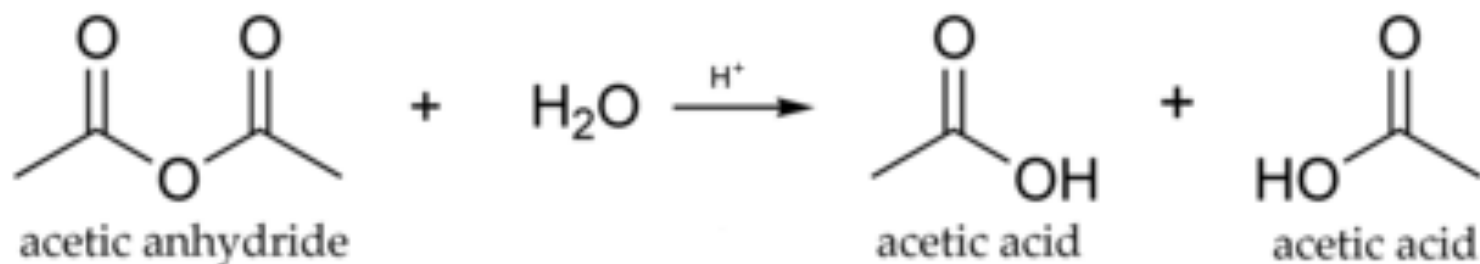
8.1 Water. Bruckenstein²⁶⁵ has determined water in glacial acetic acid by spectrophotometric titration at $256\text{ m}\mu$ with acetic anhydride, in the presence of sulphuric acid as a catalyst. Acetic anhydride absorbs appreciably at $256\text{ m}\mu$ while water, acetic acid and sulphuric acid scarcely absorb at that wavelength. Water in the concentration range of 0.009 to 1.7% was satisfactorily determined, the maximum error for amounts in excess of 1% being 0.1%, for amounts between 0.1 and 1%, 0.004%, and for amounts less than 0.1%, 0.0006%.

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TITRATIONS

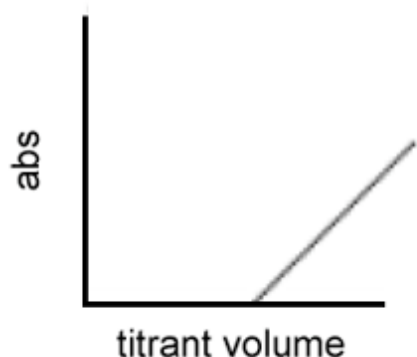
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Reaction & Method Details

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- Start out with acetic acid_(l) containing some water in the titration vessel.
- Add acetic anhydride which consumes water until no water remains.
- Additional acetic anhydride results in absorption at 256 nm.



Analyte + Titrant \rightarrow Product

abs(A)	abs(T)	abs(P)
=0	$\neq 0$	=0

Specified Procedure

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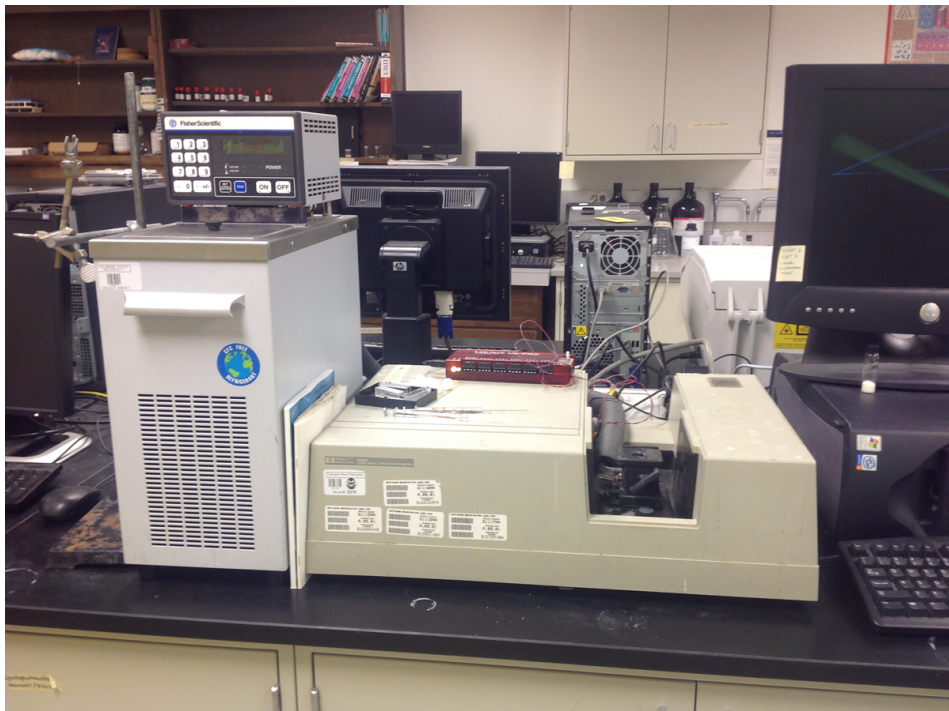
Procedure. Transfer about 3 ml of the acetic acid sample to a weighed 1 cm square silica cell in a dry box. Remove the stoppered cell from the dry box, weigh it and replace it in the dry box. Add 0.1 ml of water-free 2 M sulphuric acid in acetic acid. Place the cell in a spectrophotometer, set the wavelength to 256 m μ and the optical density reading to zero. Return the cell to the dry box and add a suitable volume of acetic anhydride from a 0.1 or 0.01 ml ultramicroburette. Measure the optical density of the solution and carry on in this manner until about six optical density readings after the equivalence point have been obtained. Locate the end-point from a plot of optical density against volume of titrant added.

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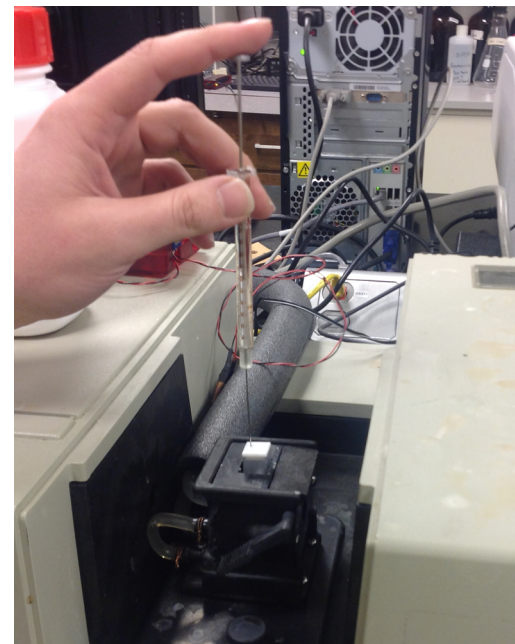
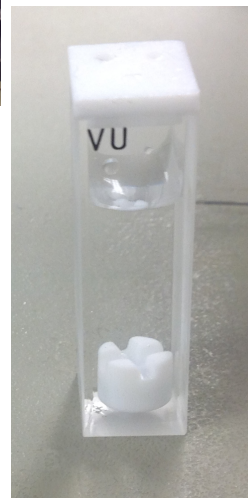
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Actual Method Used

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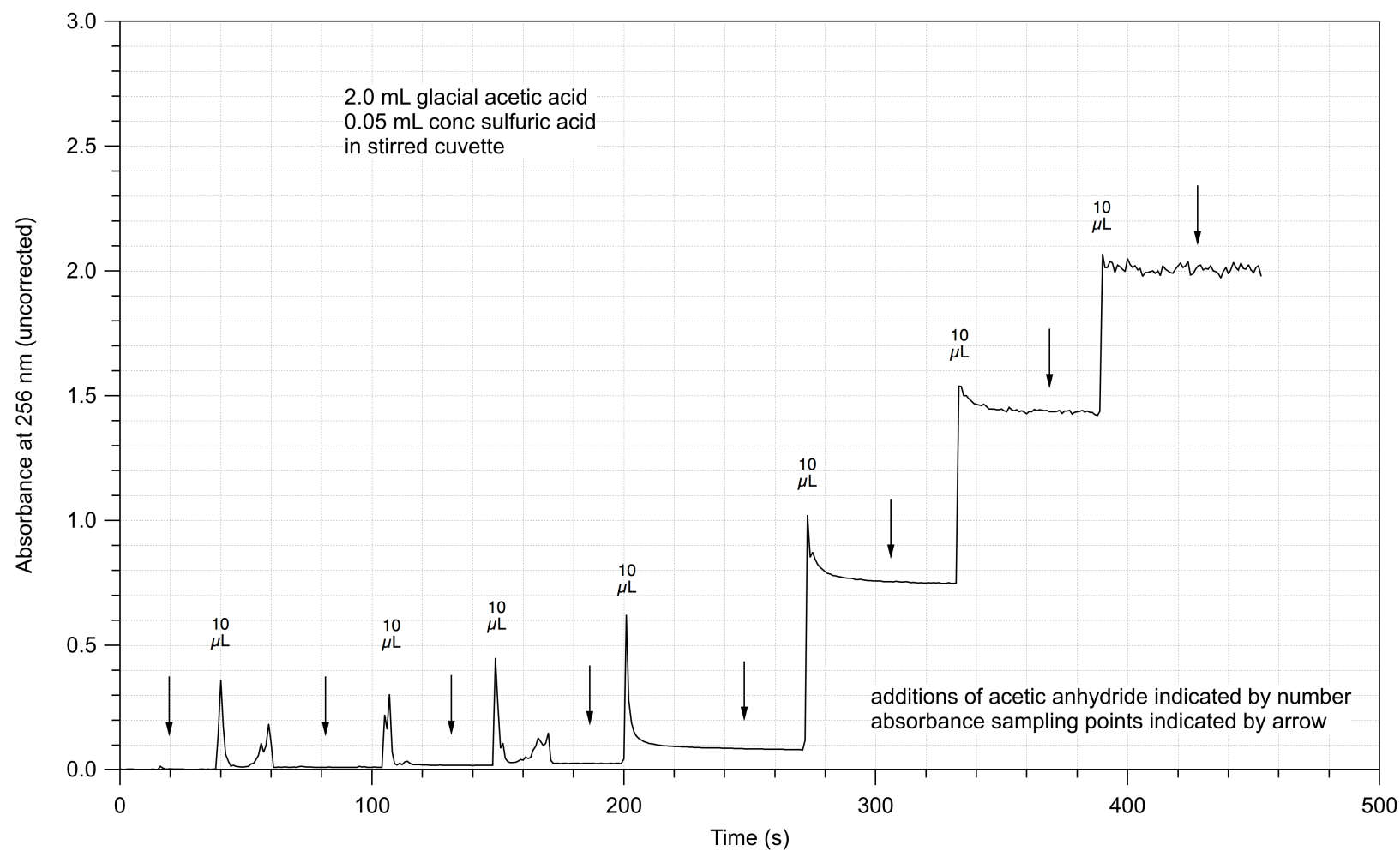


- Recording UV-Vis spectrometer
- Cuvette with stirring disk
- Microsyringe injection (repeating)



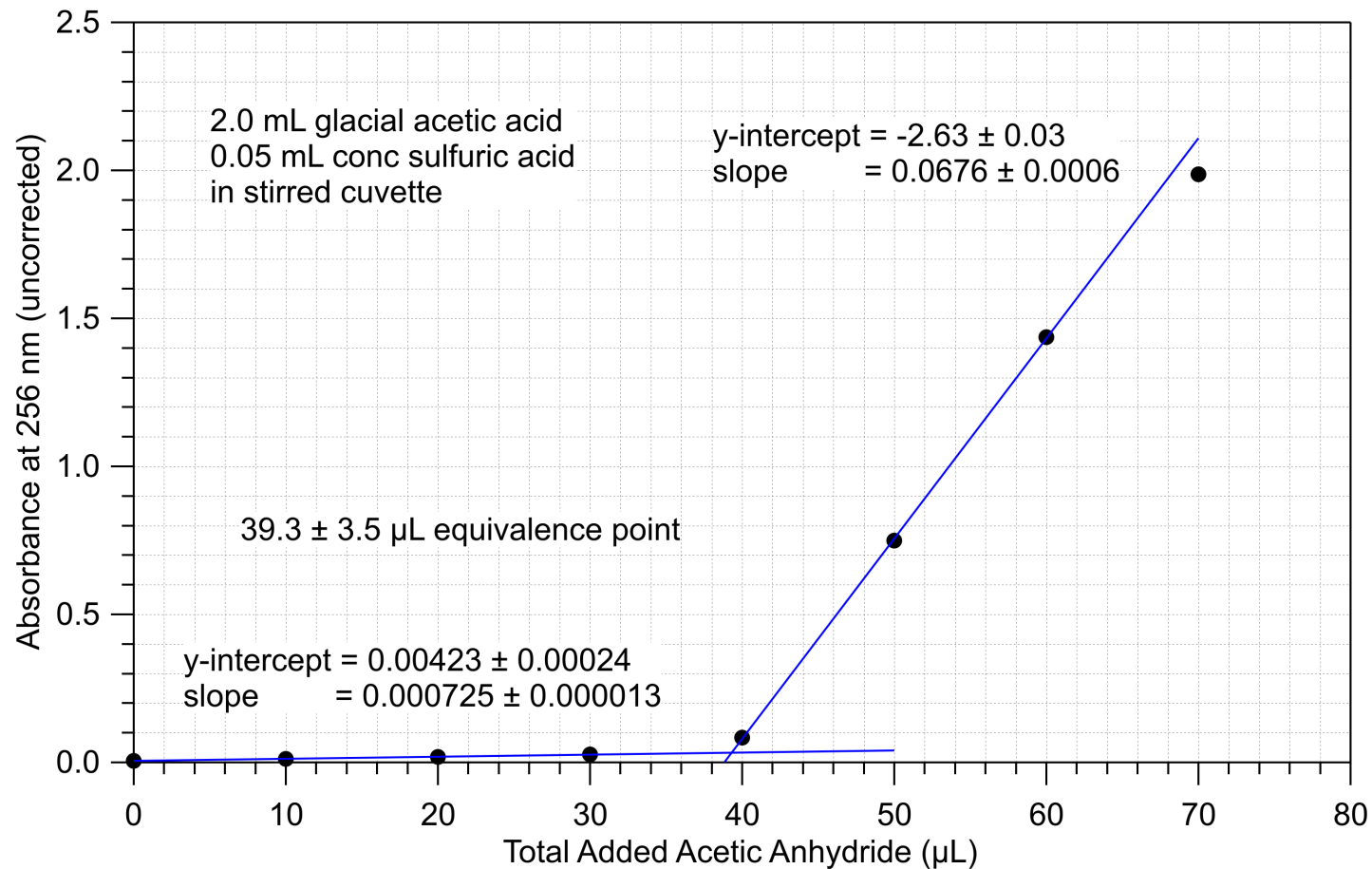
Raw Experimental Data

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Reduced Experimental Data

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Blank Computations

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2.0 mL glacial acetic acid
0.05 mL conc sulfuric acid

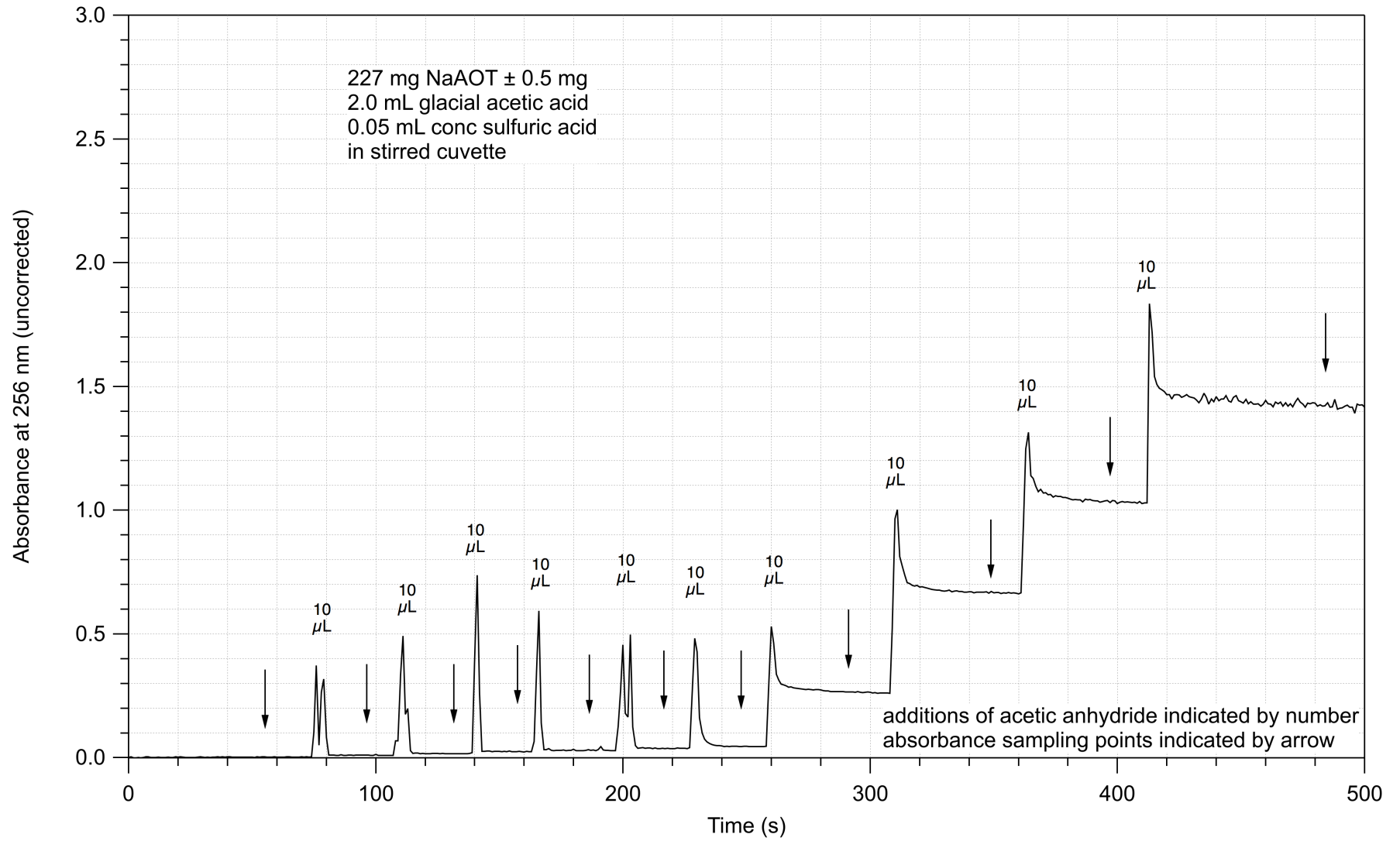
acetic acid solvent
1.049 g mL⁻¹
60.06 g mol⁻¹
17.47 mmol mL⁻¹

acetic anhydride titrant
1.082 g mL⁻¹
102.09 g mol⁻¹
10.06 μmol μL⁻¹

39.3 μL to reach equivalence point
395 μmol H₂O in 34.9 mmol acetic acid
1.13 mol % H₂O in acetic acid

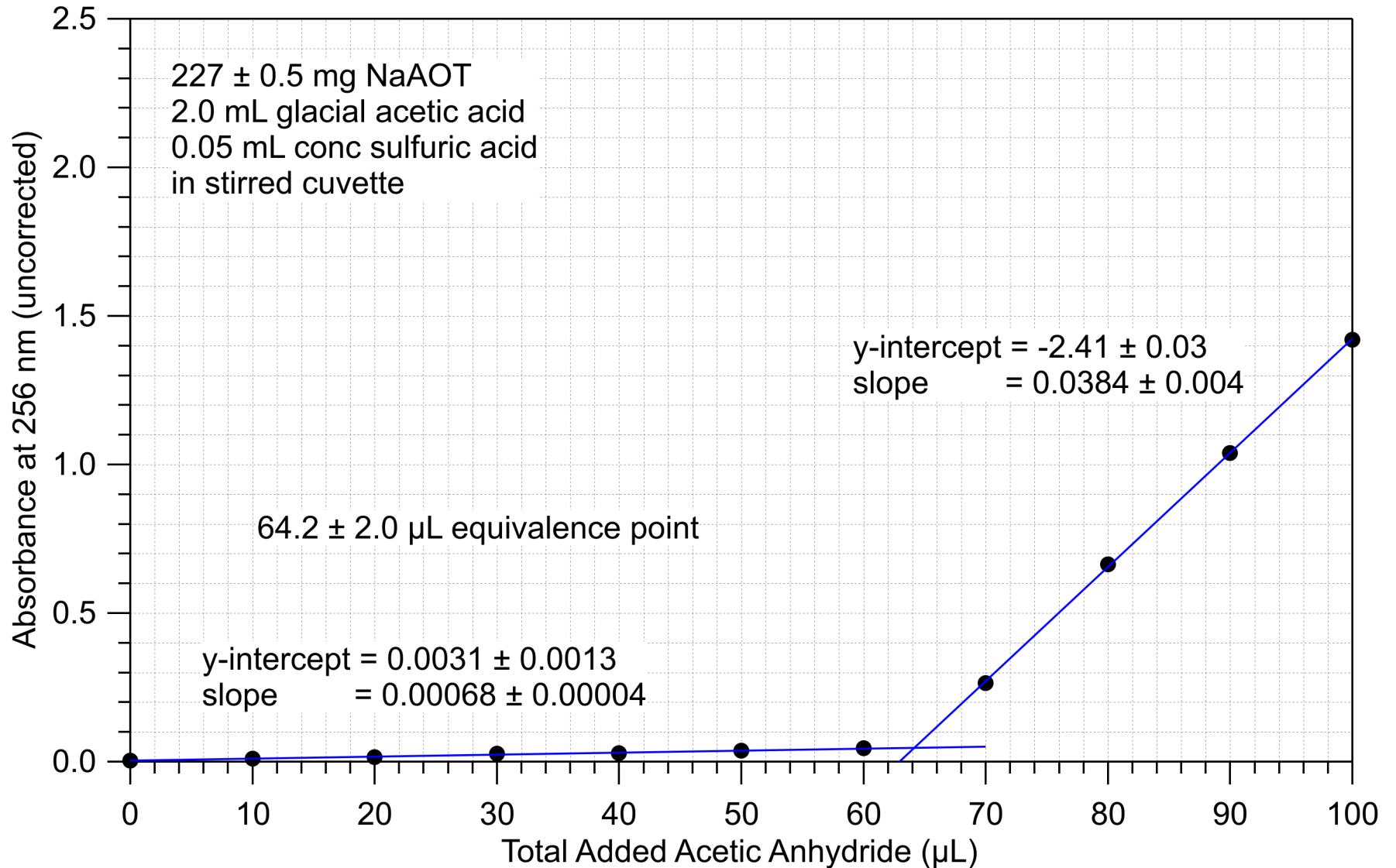
AOT Raw Data

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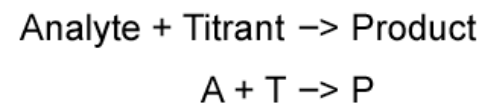
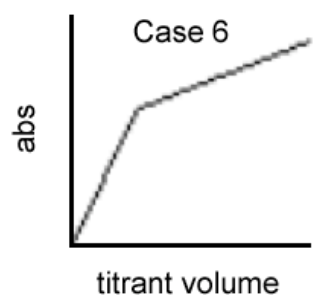
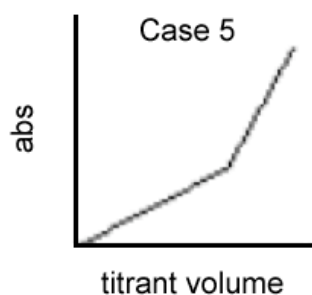
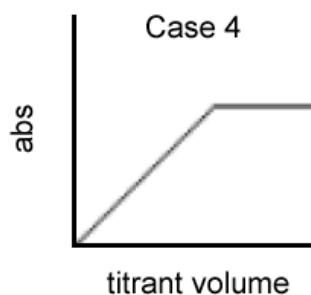
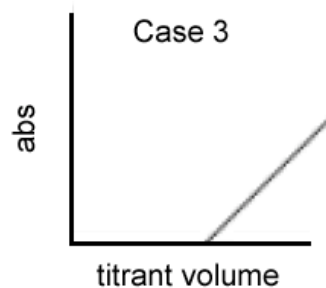
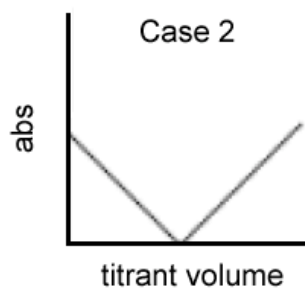
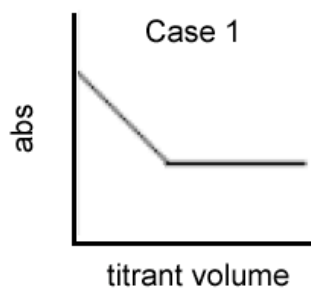
227 ± 0.5 mg NaAOT
2.0 mL glacial acetic acid
0.05 mL conc sulfuric acid

NaAOT analyte
444.56 g mol⁻¹

acetic anhydride titrant
1.082 g mL⁻¹
102.09 g mol⁻¹
10.06 μmol μL⁻¹

24.9 ± 4.0 μL to reach equivalence point
250.0 ± 40 μmol H₂O in 511 ± 2.0 μmol NaAOT
48.9 ± 11.1 mol % H₂O in NaAOT

Other Titrations Possible



	abs(A)	abs(T)	abs(P)	
1	$\neq 0$	$= 0$	$\neq 0$	$\text{abs}(A) > \text{abs}(P)$
2	$\neq 0$	$\neq 0$	$= 0$	$\text{abs}(A) \sim \text{abs}(P)$
3	$= 0$	$\neq 0$	$= 0$	
4	$= 0$	$= 0$	$\neq 0$	
5	$= 0$	$\neq 0$	$\neq 0$	$\text{abs}(T) > \text{abs}(P)$
6	$= 0$	$\neq 0$	$\neq 0$	$\text{abs}(T) < \text{abs}(P)$

Additional Considerations

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Effect of pH

In developing the spectrophotometric method for iron using ethylenediamine-di(*o*-hydroxyphenylacetic acid), it was shown³ that color development was maximal throughout the pH range of 2.5 to 9.5. However, excess reagent was used, whereas

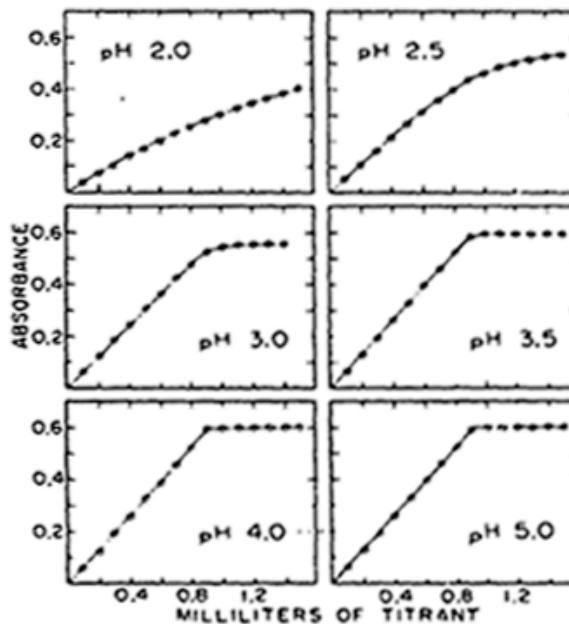


Fig. 1. Effect of pH.

a sharp photometric end-point requires that the chelation reaction go well toward completion with quantities of reagent more nearly stoichiometric. The effect of pH on the titration is shown in Fig. 1, where it may be seen that the pH should be at least 3 in order to obtain a reasonably good titration curve.

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