

Question 12: An impure sample of sodium oxalate ($\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$) weighing 0.20 g is dissolved in an aqueous solution of H_2SO_4 and the solution is titrated at 70°C , requiring 45 ml 0.02 M KMnO_4 solution. The endpoint is overrun, and the back titration is carried out with 10 ml of 0.1 M oxalic acid solution. Find the per cent purity of $\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$ in the sample.

ANSWER: OPTION 2

Meq. of $\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4 = \text{Meq. of KMnO}_4 \text{ reacted}$

Total Meq. of KMnO_4^- excess Meq. of KMnO_4 reacted with $\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$

$$= 45 \times 0.02 \times 5 - 10 \times 0.1 \times 2$$

$$= 2.5.$$

Now for finding weight of $\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$, we have

$$2.5 = 1000 \times (W_{\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4} / 134) \times 2$$

$$W_{\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4} = 0.1675\text{g.}$$

% purity of $\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$ in sample = $(0.1675/0.2) \times 100$

$$\text{ANSWER} = \quad = \mathbf{83.75\%}.$$