HIRANUMA APPLICATION DATA		Automatic Titrator	Data No.	G6	Apr. 5, 2019	
Metals	Determination of ferrous and ferric ion in					
	steel cleaning solution					

1. Abstract

A wide variety of the determination methods for each component in acidic solution containing ferrous ion (Fe^{2+}) and ferric ion (Fe^{3+}) has been developed. This report introduces an example of the successive determination for ferric and ferrous ions in the steel cleaning solution.

First, Fe^{3+} ions are determined by chelatometric titration with EDTA at acidic pH using salicylic acid as the indicator (purple \rightarrow yellow). The all Fe^{2+} ions are continuously oxidized to Fe^{3+} ion with ammonium peroxodisulfate. Finally, the Fe^{3+} ion oxidized from Fe^{2+} is determined by chelatometric titration with EDTA titrant as well as the above description.

 $\begin{array}{rcl} Fe^{3+} &+& Na_2EDTA &\rightarrow & FeEDTA &+& 2Na^+ \\ Fe^{2+} &\rightarrow & Fe^{3+} + & e^- \end{array}$

2. Configuration of instruments and reagents

(1) Configuration of instruments

Main unit	: Hiranuma Automatic Titrator	COM Series
	(M type photometric unit for pho	otometric titration with 530 nm optical filter)
(2) Reagents		
Titrant	: 0.1 mol/L EDTA standard solution	n
Oxidizing solution	: Ammonium peroxodisulfate (An	nmonium persulfate)
Indicator reagent	: 2 % salicylic acid in ethanol solu	ution

3. Measurement procedure

- (1) Dispense 1 mL of sample into a 100 mL tall beaker with volumetric pipette.
- (2) Add 60 mL of DI water.
- (3) Add 0.2 mL of 2 % salicylic acid in ethanol solution.
- (4) Immerse photometric probe and start titration with EDTA standard solution.
- (5) After the endpoint for Fe³⁺ ion is detected, add approximately 1 g of ammonium peroxodisulfate during waiting time (S. Timer, 120 sec) to oxidize Fe²⁺ to Fe³⁺ ion.
- (6) Continuously titrate with EDTA standard solution.



4. Measurement conditions and results

Cnd. No.	1							
Method	Auto		Constant No.	1		Mode No.	5	
Buret No.	1		Size	1	mL	Pre Int	0	sec
Amp No.	2		Blank	0	mL	Del K	5	
D.Unit	T%		Molarity	0.1	mol/L	Del Sens	0	mV
S- Timer	5	sec	Factor	1.008		Int Time	3	sec
C.P. mL	0	mL	Κ	55.85		Int Sens	3	mV
T.Timer	0	sec	L	0		Brt Speed	2	
D.P. mL	0	mL	Unit	g/L		Pulse	40	
End Sens	500		Formula					
Over mL	0	mL	(D-B)*K	X*F*M/S				
Max Vol.	20	mL	Decimal Places	3				
			Auto input parameter		None			

Example of titration condition

(1) Titration for Fe^{3+} ion

(2) Titration for Fe^{2+} ion

Cnd. No.	2							
Method	Auto		Constant No.	2		Mode No.	5	
Buret No.	1		Size	1	mL	Pre Int	0	sec
Amp No.	2		Blank	0	mL	Del K	5	
D.Unit	T%		Molarity	0.1	mol/L	Del Sens	0	mV
S- Timer	120	sec	Factor	1.008		Int Time	3	sec
C.P. mL	0	mL	K	55.85		Int Sens	3	mV
T.Timer	0	sec	L	0		Brt Speed	2	
D.P. mL	0.3	mL	Unit	g/L		Pulse	40	
End Sens	500		Formula					
Over mL	1	mL	(D-B)*K	*F*M/S				
Max Vol.	20	mL	Decimal Places	3				
			Auto input parameter		None			



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Number of	Size	Titrant	Fe ³⁺ ion	Titrant	Fe ²⁺ ion
Measurement	(mL)	Volume (mL)	Concentration (g/L)	Volume (mL)	Concentration (g/L)
1	1	4.178	23.521	9.406	52.953
2	1	4.162	23.431	9.454	53.223
3	1	4.220	23.757	9.537	53.690
		Avg.	23.6 g/L		53.3 g/L
Statistic calculation		SD	0.168 g/L		0.373 g/L
		RSD	0.71 %		0.70 %



5. Note

The following tips could improve measurement accuracy.

(1) Successive titration of Fe^{3+} and Fe^{2+} ions

The stability constant of EDTA Chelate for Fe^{2+} ion is low at acidic pH, thus this method utilize the property that the coexisting Fe^{3+} ion can selectively be reacted with EDTA. The applicable pH region is $2 \sim 3$.

(2) Oxidizing agent for Fe^{2+} ion

Ammonium peroxodisulfate is used as oxidizing agent for Fe^{2+} ion in this report, but hydrogen peroxide is also usable instead. In either case, please note that the excessively added reagents are likely to generate air bubbles which interfere the photometric titration.

Keywords: Ferrous (Fe²⁺) ion, Ferric (Fe³⁺) ion, Chelatometric titration, EDTA, Photometric titration

*Some measurement would not be possible depending on optional configuration of system.

