## Titration Application Note T-127

## Automated determination of copper in aqueous solution using the Cu ISE



The automated, complexometric determination of copper using the Cu ISE is described in this Application Note.

## Method description

## Sample

Aqueous solution of copper

## Sample preparation

Strongly acidic sample solutions (e.g., from acid digestions) are preneutralized to $\mathrm{pH}=4-5$ with $\mathrm{c}(\mathrm{NaOH})$ $=1 \mathrm{~mol} / \mathrm{L}$.

## Configuration

| 907 Titrando | 2.907 .0010 |
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| 815 Robotic USB Sample Processor <br> XL | 2.815 .0020 |
| 786 Swing head | 2.786 .0040 |
| Swing arm | 6.1462 .070 |
| Titration head | 6.1458 .010 |
| Sample rack $28 \times 200 \mathrm{~mL}$ | 6.2041 .830 |
| 800 Dosino, $3 \times$ | 2.800 .0010 |
| 802 Stirrer | 2.802 .0020 |
| 10 mL Dosing unit, $2 \times$ | 6.3032 .210 |
| 50 mL Dosing unit | 6.3032 .250 |
| Disposable PP sample beakers, <br> 200 mL, 1000 pieces | 6.1459 .310 |
| Cu ISE | 6.0502 .140 |
| LL ISE Reference | 6.0750 .100 |

## Solutions

| Titrant | $c(E D T A)=0.1 \mathrm{~mol} / \mathrm{L}$ <br> If possible this solution should be bought from a supplier. |
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| Buffer solution $\mathrm{pH}=10$ | $54 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ is weighed into a 1 L volumetric flask and dissolved in deionized water. 350 mL w $\left(\mathrm{NH}_{3}\right)=$ $25 \%$ is added and the mixture made up to 1 L with deionized water. |

## Analysis

An appropriate amount of sample solution is pipetted into the titration vessel and diluted with 50 mL deion. $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} .5 \mathrm{~mL}$ buffer solution is added, and after a pause of 30 s , the solution is titrated with $c($ EDTA $)=0.1 \mathrm{~mol} / \mathrm{L}$ until after the equivalence point.

## Parameters

| Mode | MET U |
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| Pause | 30 s |
| Stirring rate | 8 |
| Signal drift | $50 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{min}$ |
| Min. waiting time | 5 s |
| Max. waiting time | 26 s |
| Volume increment | 0.1 mL |
| EP criterion | 30 mV |
| EP recognition | greatest |

## Results

Mean results ( $\mathrm{n}=5$ )

| Cu content / (g/L) | 6.462 |
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| $\mathrm{~s}($ rel $) / \%$ | 0.12 |

## Comments

The sample size should be chosen in such a way that the titrant volume needed for the titration lies between 10 and $90 \%$ of the buret volume.

