CH 461 & CH 461H - Lab Quiz 3 Name

This Lab Quiz is **due at 12:00 PM on Thursday 10/24/19**. It is open book (i.e., the universe), no discussion or help about this quiz from any person. Please place numerical answers in the space provided **in the units given** after the space and indicate basis of the answer when calculations are required (provide formulas and substitutions) - just the final numerical answer is not acceptable. Please e-mail or ask me if you have questions. Report all answers to 3 sig figs.

1. A UV-Vis spectrophotometric method using a CCD detector was used to determine the concentration of Fe^{3+} in a sample of lean beef hamburger. **Solution preparation:** Seven subsamples are prepared. Each subsample is 0.5000 g of freeze dried hamburger that is microwave digested in 6 mL of concentrated HNO₃ in a teflon cup, then each quantitatively transferred to a separate 10.00 mL volumetric flask (diluted with DI) to make solutions X. **Instrument setup:** The analysis wavelength is 490 nm. Integration time 10 ms, 10 averages, boxcar 0. The blank was measured 15 times yielding a standard deviation of 135 counts. Four iron standards were run and the calibration curve slope was found to be 1310 counts /(µg/mL Fe³⁺).

a. What is the detection limit in concentration units using the definition for DL given in class ?

 $DL = \underline{\mu g/mL} Fe^{3+}$

b. Each X subsample solution is quantitatively diluted 1/2 to make subsample solutions Y that are measured in the spectrometer. The average signal counts for six of the Y solutions is 710 cts. What is the average mass/mL of Fe³⁺ in these six Y solutions?

 $______ \mu g/mL \ Fe^{3+} \ in \ Y$

c. What is the average mass/mL of Fe^{3+} in the six X solutions?

_____µg/mL Fe³⁺ in X

d, What is the average mass of Fe^{3+} in the 0.5000 g subsample of freeze dried hamburger?

_____mg Fe³⁺ in 0.5000 g beef

e. Based on this analysis, what is the total amount of Fe^{3+} in one 4 oz serving of this beef?

____mg Fe³⁺/g beef

f. Based on this analysis, what is the total amount of Fe^{3+} in one 4 oz serving of this beef?

_____mg Fe³⁺/4 oz serving

g. If the seventh subsample gave 395 counts, would you stake your reputation as a scientist and report that in fact Fe^{3+} is present in this unknown (according to the definition for DL recommended in CH 461)? Yes or No and give a brief explanation why you think this.

2, Which of the following solutions for Mn⁴⁺ would you expect the to be more affected by stray light when determining concentrations by absorbance spectrophotometry, and why do you think this? Give an equation for transmittance to support your answer.

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Solution A: 0.156 M Mn<sup>4+</sup> Solution B: 0.467 M Mn<sup>4+</sup>
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