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## Caprolactam for industrial use — Determination of absorbance at a wavelength of 290 nm

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# Caprolactam for industrial use — Determination of absorbance at a wavelength of 290 nm

#### 1 Scope and field dapplication

This International Standard specifies a spectrometric method for the determination of the absorbance at a wavelength of 290 nm of caprolactam for industrial use.

#### 2 Principle

Spectrometric measurement of the absorbance of a 50 % caprolactam water solution at a wavelength of 230 mm.

#### 3 Reagents

During the analysis, use only distilled water or water equivalent purity.

#### 4 Apparatus

Ordinary laboratory apparatus and

- **4.1** Ultraviolet molecular absorption spectrometer, fitted with a hydrogen or deuterium lamp.
- **4.2** Two quartz cells, of optical path length 1 cm, as minimum.

#### 5 Procedure

### 5.1 Test portion and preparation of the test solution

Weigh to the nearest 0,1 g, 50 g of the test sample, dissolve it in 50 ml of water, and mix.

#### 5.2 Determination

#### 5.2.1 Spectrometric measurements

Fill one of the cells (4.2) with the test solution (5.1) and fill the other cell with water.

Carry out the spectrometric measurements, using the spectrometer (4.1) set at a wavelength of 290 nm, after having adjusted the instrument to zero absorbance against water.

#### 5.2.2 Check for absorbance of cells

Fill the two cells used for the measurements (5.2.1) with water and measure the absorbance of each cell at a wavelength of 290 nm.

One of the cells will read "zero" since it has been used to adjust the instrument to zero absorbance.

NOTE — The difference between the measured absorbances should not exceed 0,003.

#### 6 Expression of results

The absorbance at a wavelength of 290 nm, expressed in relation to an optical path length of 1 cm, is given by the formula

 $A_0 - A_0$ )
where

 $A_0$  is the correction for the difference in absorbances of the cells (see = 2,2);

 $A_1$  is the absorbance (5.2.1) of the test solution (5.1);

l is the optical path length, in centimetres, of the cell.

#### 7 Test report

The test report shall include the following information:

- a) an identification of the sample;
- b) the reference of the method used;
- c) the results and the method of expression used;
- d) any unusual features noted during the determination;
- e) any operation not included in this International Standard or regarded as optional.