Anderson Serangoon Junior College JC1 H2 Chemistry THE MOLE CONCEPT, STOICHIOMETRY & REDOX REACTIONS

Learning Outcomes

[the term relative formula mass or M_r will be used for ionic compounds]

Candidates should be able to:

- (a) define the terms relative atomic, isotopic, molecular and formula mass
- (b) define the term *mole* in terms of the Avogadro constant
- (c) calculate the relative atomic mass of an element given the relative abundances of its isotopes
- (d) define the terms empirical and molecular formula
- (e) calculate empirical and molecular formulae using combustion data or composition by mass
- (f) write and/or construct balanced equations
- (g) perform calculations, including use of the mole concept, involving:
 - (i) reacting masses (from formulae and equations)
 - (ii) volumes of gases (e.g. in the burning of hydrocarbons)
 - (iii) volumes and concentrations of solutions

[when performing calculations, candidates' answers should reflect the number of significant figures given or asked for in the question]

- (h) deduce stoichiometric relationships from calculations such as those in (g)
- describe and explain redox processes in terms of electron transfer and/or of changes in oxidation number (oxidation state)
- (j) construct redox equations using the relevant half-equations
- (k) Describe and explain the use of Fe³+/Fe²+, MnO₄⁻/Mn²+, Cr₂O₇²-/Cr³+ and iodometric titration as examples of redox systems

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2	Section 6.1 to 6.5 (pg 34 – 41) Redox Processes	F2F	Q7
3	Section 1 to 4.1 (pg 3 – 18) View the lecture videos on ASR Portal latest by 3 March 2023 (Friday). Log in to ASR Portal → Communications → Repositories → 2023 JC1 H2 Chemistry → choose "File" tab → 3. Mole Concept → Self Directed Learning Videos on Basic Mole Concept (Section 1 to Section 4.1)	SDL	Q1–5
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Introduction

Chemistry is observed all the time. The chemical reactions occurring in your brain allows you to read and understand this statement. The food you ate is now providing you with energy through chemical reactions.

In the study of Chemistry, we learn about the structure and properties of matter, its interactions and transformation. During transformation of matter, a chemical and/or physical change takes place. *Matter and energy are conserved in all of such transformations*.



In this topic, we will focus on the **stoichiometry** – study of the quantitative relationship between the amounts of reactants and products – in chemical reactions. This key concept is an important tool for chemists in the area of food, health, medicine and engineering.

1. Relative Masses of Atoms And Molecules



- What do the terms relative isotopic, atomic, molecular and formula mass mean?
- Can you calculate the relative atomic mass of an element given the relative abundances of its isotopes?

1.1 Relative Masses of Atoms

Atoms have very small masses. For example, a hydrogen atom weighs 1.66×10^{-24} g. Instead of using their actual masses, we measure how heavy one atom is compared with another atom. The carbon–12 isotope, 12 C is used as the standard of reference.

Relative isotopic mass of an isotope =
$$\frac{\text{mass of one atom of the isotope}}{\frac{1}{12} \times \text{mass of one atom of}}$$

Example: Relative isotopic mass of ${}^{13}C = 13$

Relative isotopic mass of ${}^{37}Cl = 37$

Relative atomic mass of an element, $A_r = \frac{\text{average mass of one atom of the element}}{\frac{1}{12} \times \text{mass of one atom of}}$

Most elements consist of a mixture of isotopes. The average of the relative isotopic masses of the element is equal to the relative atomic mass of the element.

Recall: Isotopes are atoms of the same element with different number of neutrons. They have identical atomic (proton) numbers but different mass numbers.

1.2 Relative Molecular Mass and Relative Formula Mass

Relative molecular mass of a substance,
$$M_r = \frac{\text{average mass of one molecule of the substance}}{\frac{1}{12} \times \text{mass of one atom of }^{12}\text{C isotope}}$$

The relative molecular mass of a compound is also the sum of the relative atomic masses of all the atoms in a molecule of a compound.

Example:
$$M_r$$
 of HC l = 1 x 1.0 + 1 x 35.5 = 36.5 (1 d.p.)
 M_r of O₂ = 2 x 16.0 = 32.0 (1 d.p.)

For giant ionic and giant covalent compounds, they do not consist of individual molecules. Relative formula mass, with the same symbol M_r is used for such substances.

Relative formula mass of a substance,
$$M_{\rm f} = \frac{\text{average mass of one formula unit of the substance}}{\frac{1}{12} \times \text{mass of one atom of}}$$

Similarly, the relative formula mass of a compound is the sum of the relative atomic masses of all the atoms in one formula unit of a giant ionic/giant covalent compound.

Example:
$$M_r$$
 of NaC l = 1 x 23.0 + 1 x 35.5 = 58.5 (1 d.p.) M_r of SiO₂ = 1 x 28.1 + 2 x 16.0 = 60.1 (1 d.p.)

Note

- Since relative masses are the ratio of two masses, they have no units.
- Relative masses are given to 1 decimal place.
- You will learn more about the structures of giant ionic, giant covalent compounds in the topic of Chemical Bonding.

Worked Example 1

Natural samples of krypton consist of mixtures of isotopes in the following percentage abundances.

Relative isotopic mass	Percentage abundance (%)
80	2.6
82	11.6
83	11.5
84	56.9
86	17.4

Calculate the relative atomic mass of Kr using the data above.

$$A_{r}$$
 of Kr =
$$\frac{(80\times2.6) + (82\times11.6) + (83\times11.5) + (84\times56.9) + (86\times17.4)}{(2.6+11.6+11.5+56.9+17.4)}$$
$$= 83.9 \text{ (1 d.p)}$$

Checkpoint 1

Boron (A_r 10.8) occurs naturally as two isotopes, ${}^{10}_{5}B$ and ${}^{11}_{5}B$.

What is the percentage of ${}^{11}_{5}\mathrm{B}$ atoms in a sample of naturally-occurring boron?

Let x be the percentage of $^{11}_{5}B$

$$A_r$$
 of B =

$$x =$$

Percentage of $^{11}_{5}B$ atoms in the sample =

2. The Mole, The Avogadro Constant And Molar Mass

Chemists are often interested in measuring quantities of substances. In a chemical reaction, the number of particles (atoms, ions or molecules) involved is very large; hence the 'mole' is used to describe a very large number. It is just like 'pair' refers to 2 items and 'dozen' refers to 12 items.

Questions to ponder:

- What is a mole?
- Is the phrase "the mass of one mole of oxygen" ambiguous? Why?

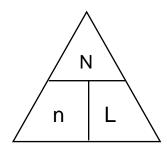
2.1 The Mole, The Avogadro Constant

The chemist's **unit** of amount is the mole, with symbol **mol**, is defined as such,

One **mole** contains exactly 6.02 x 10²³ (or Avogadro constant) elementary entities.

An elementary entity may be an atom, a molecule, an ion, an electron, any other particle or specified group of particles.

The number of particles (denoted by $\bf N$) in one mole of any substance is a constant, known as **Avogadro constant** (denoted by $\bf L$ or $\bf N_A$), which is equal to $\bf 6.02 \times 10^{23}~mol^{-1}$.



N = number of particles

 $L = Avogadro's constant (mol^{-1})$

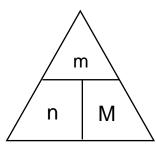
n = amount / number of moles (mol)

Example:

- 1 mole of ¹²C atoms (i.e. 12 g of ¹²C) contains 6.02 x 10²³ ¹²C atoms.
- 1 mole of H_2O molecules contains 6.02 x 10^{23} H_2O molecules which are made up of 6.02×10^{23} O atoms and $2 \times 6.02 \times 10^{23}$ H atoms.
- 1 mole of Na₂CO₃ contains 6.02 x 10²³ CO₃²⁻ ions and 2 x 6.02 x 10²³ Na⁺ ions.

2.2 Molar Mass

- The mass of <u>one mole</u> of a substance is called the **molar mass** (unit: g mol⁻¹).
- Molar mass of a substance is <u>numerically equal</u> to the relative atomic mass, A_r , relative molecular mass or relative formula mass, M_r of the substance.



Worked Example 2

What is the mass of 0.3 mol of CuSO₄ • 5H₂O?

 $M_{\rm f}$ of CuSO₄ • 5H₂O = 63.5 + 32.1 + (4 x 16.0) + (5 x 18.0) = 249.6 mass of 0.3 mol of CuSO₄.5H₂O = 0.3 x 249.6 = **74.9 g**

Checkpoint 2

How many moles of H₂O molecules are there in 25 g of CuSO₄ • 5H₂O?
 n(CuSO₄ • 5H₂O) in 25 g =

$$n(H_2O) =$$

2. How many copper atoms are there in 6.24 g of CuSO₄ • 5H₂O?

$$n(CuSO_4 \cdot 5H_2O)$$
 in 6.24 g =

$$n(Cu \text{ atoms}) = n(CuSO_4 \cdot 5H_2O) =$$

number of Cu atoms =

3. How many oxygen atoms are there in 0.1 mol of CuSO₄ • 5H₂O?

$$n(O atoms) =$$

number of O atoms =

3. Stoichiometry



<u>Stoichiometry</u> refers to the relationship (usually specified by the mole ratio) between the amounts of reactants and products involved in a chemical reaction. A reaction is stoichiometric if it proceeds exactly as in the balanced equation.

Questions to ponder:

- What is the significance of a balanced equation?
- How do you determine the amount of reactants and products in a chemical reaction?

3.1 Balancing Chemical Equations (Self-directed learning)

Before understanding and applying stoichiometry, a chemical equation must be constructed. A chemical equation is a statement in formulas that expresses the identities and quantities of substances involved in a chemical or physical change.

In a chemical process, <u>atoms cannot be created, destroyed or changed.</u> Atoms can only be arranged into different combinations. Hence, the number of atoms on left hand side of equation must equal to the number of atoms on right hand side of equation.

Writing Balanced equations

- **Step 1**: **Translate** the statement/phenomenon.
- **Step 2**: <u>Balance the atoms</u>. Start with the most complex substance, and end with the least complex substance (i.e. an element by itself)
- **Step 3**: Adjust balancing (stoichiometric) coefficients. The smallest whole-number coefficients are preferred, unless the equations need to fulfill other functions (such as describing a specific definition e.g. enthalpy change).
- **Step 4**: Checking to ensure balancing of atoms on the left and right side of the equation (Mass Balance).
- **Step 5**: <u>Specify the states of matter</u>. The abbreviations are solid (s), liquid (l), gas (g) and aqueous solution (aq). (Note: only if specified by the question)

Worked Example 3

Magnesium burned in air to produce white magnesium oxide.

Step 1: Translate the statement/phenomenon.

$$_$$
 Mg + $_$ O₂ \rightarrow $_$ MgO

Step 2: Balance the atoms.

Step 3: <u>Adjust balancing (stoichiometric) coefficients.</u>

Step 4: Checking (Mass Balance)

Step 5: Specify the states of matter (if specified by question).

Answer: $\underline{2} \text{ Mg (s)} + O_2 \text{ (g)} \rightarrow \underline{2} \text{ MgO (s)}$

3.2 Stoichiometry involving Gases

3.2.1 Relationship between the Mole and Volume of Gases

Avogadro's Law states that equal volumes of all gases <u>under the same conditions of temperature and pressure</u> contain the same number of molecules/atoms (valid for gases that behave ideally).

This means that 6.02×10^{23} (Avogadro number) molecules/atoms (i.e. 1 mole) of any gas will occupy the same volume under the same conditions of temperature and pressure.

Eg. Volume of **1 mol** (or 20.2 g) of neon (Ne) gas = \mathbf{x} cm³ Volume of **1 mol** (or 2.00 g) of hydrogen (H₂) gas = \mathbf{x} cm³

In a chemical equation, the **mole ratio** of gases involved in the chemical reaction is the same as the **volume ratio** of the gases involved.

Eg. $3H_2(g) + N_2(g) \rightarrow 2NH_3(g)$

Volume ratio = mole ratio: $3H_2 \equiv N_2 \equiv 2NH_3$

3 moles of H_2 reacts with 1 mole of N_2 to give 2 moles of NH_3 .

<u>3y</u> dm³ of H₂ reacts with <u>y</u> dm³ of N₂ to give <u>2y</u> dm³ of NH₃ under the same conditions.

3.2.2 Molar Volumes of Gases

From Avogadro's Law, the number of moles of gas can be determined by:

$$n = \frac{V}{V_m}$$

$$n = \text{number of moles of gas}$$

$$V = \text{volume of gas (dm}^3)$$

$$V_m = \text{molar volume (dm}^3)$$



Scan this **QR code** to watch a video on how the knowledge of molar volume of gases is needed in everyday life.

- Molar volume is the volume that is occupied by 1 mole of any gas
 - At s.t.p.
 standard temperature and pressure of 10⁵ Pa [1 bar] and 273 K [0 °C],
 molar volume is 22.7 dm³ mol⁻¹.
 - At r.t.p room temperature and pressure of 101325 Pa [1 atm] and 293 K [20 °C], molar volume is 24 dm³ mol⁻¹.

(This information can be found in the Data Booklet.)

Conversion of volumes: $1000 \text{ cm}^3 = 1 \text{ dm}^3 = 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$ $1 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^3 = 1000 \text{ dm}^3 = 1 \text{ m}^3$

Worked Example 4

1. How many methane (CH₄) molecules are there in 5.6 dm³ of the gas at s.t.p?

(Volume of 1 mol of CH₄ molecules (or molar volume) at s.t.p. = 22.7 dm³)
$$n(CH_4)$$
 in 5.6 dm³ at s.t.p. = $\frac{5.6}{22.7}$ = 0.2467 mol No. of CH₄ molecules in 5.6 dm³ at s.t.p. = $n \times L = 0.2467 \times 6.02 \times 10^{23}$ = $\frac{1.49 \times 10^{23}}{1.49 \times 10^{23}}$

2. What is the volume of 6.55 g of xenon (Xe) gas at r.t.p?

n(Xe) in 6.55 g =
$$\frac{6.55}{131.3}$$
 = 0.04989 mol
(Volume of 1 mol of Xe atoms at r.t.p. = 24 dm³)
Volume of Xe at r.t.p. = 0.04989 × 24 = **1.20 dm³**

3. Determine the volume ratio of 1.70 g of ammonia (NH₃) gas compared to 3.01 x 10^{23} helium (He) atoms at s.t.p.

$$\begin{split} n(\text{NH}_3) &= \frac{1.70}{14.0 + 1.0 \times 3} \text{= 0.1000 mol} \\ n(\text{He}) &= \frac{3.01 \times 10^{23}}{6.02 \times 10^{23}} \text{= 0.5000 mol} \\ \text{Mole ratio:} & \text{NH}_3 \equiv \text{He} \\ 0.1000 \equiv 0.5000 \\ 1 \equiv 5 \end{split}$$

Volume ratio of NH_3 to He = 1:5

Checkpoint 3

1. Determine the volume (in cm³) occupied by 3.80×10^{23} bromine gas molecules (Br₂) at r.t.p.

$$n(Br_2) =$$
volume of $Br_2 =$

2. What volume of oxygen (O₂) is required to react completely with 24 g of methane (CH₄) at s.t.p?

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Chemical equation:
$$CH_4(g) + 2O_2(g) \rightarrow CO_2(g) + 2H_2O(l)$$
 Reacting mole ratio:
$$n(CH_4) \text{ in } 24 \text{ g} =$$

$$n(O_2) \text{ required} =$$

volume of O₂ at s.t.p. =

Answer: 1) 1.52 x 10⁴ cm³; 2) 68.1 dm³

3.3 Calculations involving Reacting Masses

• A balanced chemical equation gives the mole ratio between the reactants and products involved in the chemical reaction.

$$aA + bB \rightarrow cC + dD$$

(reactants: A & B; products: C & D; a, b, c & d are stoichiometric coefficients)

General steps in solving problems involving chemical reactions.

Worked Example 5

Barium carbonate (BaCO₃) decomposes to form barium oxide (BaO) and carbon dioxide gas. What mass of barium oxide would be formed from decomposing 39.4 g of barium carbonate?

Step 1: Write a balanced chemical equation for the reaction.

Chemical equation: $BaCO_3(s) \rightarrow BaO(s) + CO_2(g)$

Step 2: Determine the mole ratio involved in the reaction.

Mole ratio: BaCO₃ ≡ BaO

Step 3: Work out the answer based on stoichiometry.

Always use mole ratio to perform calculations and not mass ratio.

n(BaCO₃) in 39.4 g =
$$\frac{39.4}{137.3 + 12.0 + 16.0 \times 3}$$
 = 0.2000 mol

n(BaO) = 0.2000 mol

mass of BaO = $0.2000 \times (137.3 + 16.0) = 30.6 \text{ g}$

Checkpoint 4

1. Calculate the mass of copper carbonate that can be precipitated from a solution containing 0.002 mol of copper ions. [A_r of Cu = 63.5; A_r of O = 16.0; A_r of C = 12.0]

$$Cu^{2+}\left(aq\right)+CO_{3}{}^{2-}\left(aq\right)\rightarrow\ CuCO_{3}\left(s\right)$$

Mole ratio:

$$n(CuCO_3) =$$

mass of $CuCO_3 =$

2. A hydrate of potassium carbonate has the formula $K_2CO_3.xH_2O$. When 10.0 g of the hydrate was heated until all the water is driven off, the residue (K_2CO_3) weighed 7.93 g. Deduce the formula of the hydrate. [A_r of K = 39.1]

$$K_2CO_3.xH_2O(s) \rightarrow K_2CO_3(s) + xH_2O(g)$$

n(K₂CO₃) =

mass of
$$H_2O = n(H_2O) =$$

x =

⇒ the formula of the hydrate is

3. Sulfur and chlorine can react together to form S_2Cl_2 . When 1.00 g of this sulfur chloride reacted with water, 0.36 g of a yellow precipitate (i.e. sulfur) was formed together with a solution containing a mixture of sulfurous acid, H_2SO_3 and HCl. Use the data to deduce the equation for the reaction between S_2Cl_2 and water. [A_r of S = 32.1; A_r of Cl = 35.5]

$$n(S_2Cl_2) =$$

n(S: yellow ppt.) =

Mole ratio of S_2Cl_2 : S =

Balanced equation:

Answer: 1) 0.247 g; 2) K₂CO₃.2H₂O

Link to Laboratory Experiments (Practical work): Checkpoint 4 Question 2 is an example of gravimetric analysis – analysis by measuring				
masses.				
Types of				
gravimetric	Thermal decomposition	<u>Precipitation</u>		
analysis				
General description	Heating a known mass of a solid sample (e.g. hydrated salts, carbonates) and	weighing the mass of precipitate formed when solutions are mixed		
description	measuring the mass loss	Torried when solutions are mixed		
More details or	n the experimental procedures for each analys	sis will be covered in the laboratory.		
	(1) $CuSO_4.nH_2O \rightarrow CuSO_4(s) + nH_2O(g)$			
	The value of n can be determined by measuring the mass loss due to H_2O .	$Na_2SO_4 + BaCl_2 \rightarrow BaSO_4(\mathbf{s}) + 2 NaCl$		
	•	The amount of Na ₂ SO ₄ present in a		
	(2) decomposition of some carbonates on heating:	solution can be determined by adding BaCl ₂ solution and weighing the mass		
	$MCO_3(s) \rightarrow MO(s) + CO_2(g)$	of BaSO ₄ precipitate formed.		
	The identity of M can be determined by			
Examples	measuring the mass loss due to CO ₂ (g).			
	Copper carbonate			
	Copper oxide			
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3.4 Calculations involving Limiting Reagents

 Most of the time, the amount of reactants added is not according to the stoichiometric ratio of the reactions. Therefore, the reactions will go on until one of the reactants is exhausted and the reactions will cease. This reactant is called the limiting reagent.

Definition of Limiting Reagent

The reactant that is completely used up in a reaction (i.e. not in excess). The amount of limiting reagent (in mole) determines the amount of product (in mole) formed.

General steps in solving problems involving reactions with limiting reagent:

Step 1: Write a balanced chemical equation for the reaction.

Step 2: Calculate the number of moles of each reactant.

Eg: \mathbf{A} + $2\mathbf{B}$ \rightarrow 4C Given 0.6 mol 0.5 mol

Step 3: Assume either A (or B) is limiting, and calculate amount of B (or A) needed to react completely with A (or B). Identify the limiting reagent.

EITHER:	OR:	
If all of A is used up,	If all of B is used up,	
Mole Ratio: $\mathbf{A} \equiv 2\mathbf{B}$	Mole Ratio: $\mathbf{A} \equiv 2\mathbf{B}$	
n(B) required = 0.6 x 2 = 1.2 mol	$n(A)$ required = 0.5 × $\frac{1}{2}$ = 0.25 mol	
Since n(B) available < n(B) required	Since n(A) available > n(A) required	
(0.5 mol) (1.2 mol)	(0.6 mol) (0.25 mol)	
⇒ B is the limiting reagent	\Rightarrow A is in excess hence, B is the limiting	
	<u>reagent</u>	

Step 4: Determine the amount of product formed (in mole) using limiting reagent.

Based on the amount of limiting reagent,

Reacting Mole Ratio: $2B \equiv 4C$ (limiting reagent) (product)

 $n(C) = 2 \times 0.5 = 1.00 \text{ mol}$

Worked Example 6

5.00 g of iron (Fe) and 5.00 g of sulfur (S) were heated together to form iron(II) sulfide (FeS). What is the mass of iron sulfide formed?

Step 1: Chemical equation: $Fe(s) + S(s) \rightarrow FeS(s)$

Step 2: Mole ratio: Fe \equiv S \equiv FeS

Step 3: n(Fe) in 5.00 g = $\frac{5.00}{55.8}$ = 0.08961 mol n(S) in 5.00 g = $\frac{5.00}{32.1}$ = 0.1558 mol

Step 4: Determine the limiting reagent.

If all of S is used up, n(Fe) required = 0.1558 mol

n(Fe) available < n(Fe) required \Rightarrow Limiting reagent: **Fe**

Step 5: Work out the answer based on stoichiometry with reference to the amount of the limiting reagent (in mole) available.

Since Fe ≡ FeS

n(FeS) = 0.08961 mol

 $m(FeS) = 0.08961 \times (55.8 + 32.1) = 7.88 g$

3.5 Theoretical, Experimental and Percentage Yield

- The <u>theoretical yield</u> of a product is the maximum amount of substance that can be obtained by a chemical reaction from the given amount of reactants. It is obtained by calculations.
- The <u>experimental yield</u> of a product is the amount of substance that can be obtained by a chemical reaction from the given amount of reactants under stated conditions. It is obtained only by experiments. It should be <u>smaller</u> than the theoretical yield.

Worked Example 7

2.00 g lead(II) nitrate, $Pb(NO_3)_2$ is added to a solution containing 1.00 g potassium iodide (KI). A bright yellow precipitate of lead(II) iodide (PbI_2) is formed.

- (a) Calculate the mass of lead(II) iodide formed.
- **(b)** During the experiment, 1.10 g of PbI₂ is formed. Calculate the percentage yield of PbI₂.

(a)
$$Pb(NO_3)_2(s) + 2KI(aq) \rightarrow PbI_2(s) + 2KNO_3(aq)$$

Mole ratio: $Pb(NO_3)_2 \equiv 2KI$

$$n(Pb(NO_3)_2)$$
 in 2.00 g = $\frac{2.00}{331.2}$ = 6.039 x 10⁻³ mol

n(KI) in 1.00 g =
$$\frac{1.00}{166.0}$$
 = 6.024 × 10⁻³ mol

If all of KI is used up,
$$n(Pb(NO_3)_2)$$
 required = $\frac{1}{2} \times 6.024 \times 10^{-3}$
= 3.012×10^{-3} mol

 $n(Pb(NO_3)_2)$ available > $n(Pb(NO_3)_2)$ required

⇒ Limiting reagent: KI

Since $2KI \equiv PbI_2$

$$n(PbI_2) = \frac{6.024 \times 10^{-3}}{2} = 3.012 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

mass of PbI₂ =
$$3.012 \times 10^{-3} \times 461.0 = 1.39 \text{ g}$$

(b) Percentage Yield (%) =
$$\frac{1.10}{1.39} \times 100\% = \frac{79.2 \%}{1.39}$$

Checkpoint 5

The mass of MgO was found to be 6.01 g when 6 g of magnesium is reacted with 3 g of oxygen. Calculate the percentage yield of MgO.

$$2Mg(s) + O_2(g) \rightarrow 2MgO(s)$$
Mole ratio:

 $n(Mg)$ used =

 $n(O_2)$ used =

If all of Mg is used up, $n(O_2)$ required =

 $n(O_2)$ available $< n(O_2)$ required

 \Rightarrow Limiting reagent:

Since $O_2 = 2MgO$
 $n(MgO)$ formed =

Answer: 79.5%

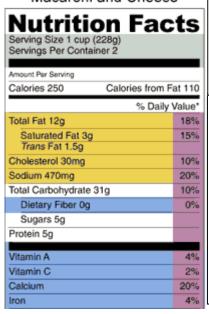
Percentage yield =

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Example 1:

The nutrition label found on the container of many food products uses the concept of percent composition.

Sample Label for Macaroni and Cheese



Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your Daily Values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs;
0.11.11.

500_
g
9
0mg
100mg
5g
g
5

e.g. The fat content of this particular food product can be read in this way:

For 1 serving of approx. 1 cup of macaroni and cheese, the total fat content is 12 g. The % Daily Value (DV) is computed based on a 2000 calories diet.

Hence % DV of Total Fat = $\frac{\text{total fat content in 1 serving}}{\text{total fat content in a 2000 calories diet}} \times 100\%$ = $\frac{12}{65} \times 100\% \approx 18\%$

Fda.gov,. (2016). Trans Fat Now Listed With Saturated Fat and Cholesterol. Retrieved 22 January 2016, from

http://www.fda.gov/food/ingredientspackaginglabeling/labelingnutrition/ucm274590.htm

Example 2:

Do you know how to tell the percentage purity of gold?

Do you know how to test the purity of gold?

CARAT	MILLESIMAL	% GOLD
24	999	99.9
22	916	91.6
20	833	83.3
18	750	75.0
15	625	62.5
14	585	58.5
10	417	41.7
9	375	37.5
8	333	33.3
1	42	0.42

Many countries quantify gold's purity by carat.

$$Carat = \frac{mass of gold}{total mass} \times 24$$

- 24 Carat gold has a minimum of 99 % gold
- 18 Carat gold has a minimum of 75 % gold and 25 % of other metals (e.g. copper or silver)
- FYI: The purity of gold can be determined via measurements of impurity using advanced spectroscopy methods or acid testing kits (containing acids with different strength).

The table above is obtained from:

Understanding the World Around Through Simple Mathematics, M. Kemal Atesmen, p25.

4. Empirical and Molecular Formulae



- What are the definitions of empirical and molecular formula?
- Is empirical formula always the same as molecular formula?
- How do we determine empirical and molecular formula using combustion data or composition by mass?

The empirical formula is the **simplest** formula that shows the relative number of atoms of each element present in a compound.

The molecular formula shows the *actual number* of atoms present in one molecule of the compound.

Note:

The molecular formula may be the same as the empirical formula or is an integral multiple of it.

4.1 <u>Determination of Empirical and Molecular Formulae using Composition by Mass</u>

Worked Example 8

A hydrocarbon is found to contain 85.72% carbon and its relative molecular mass is 28.0. Calculate the empirical and molecular formula of the hydrocarbon.

To find an <u>empirical</u> <u>formula</u>, you need to work out the ratio of the amounts (in moles) of atoms of each element present.

	С	Н
Mass (%) (assuming 100 g sample)	85.72	14.28
Amount (mol) (i.e. mass/A _r)	$\frac{85.72}{12.0} = 7.143$	$\frac{14.28}{1.0} = 14.28$
simplest ratio	1	2

∴ empirical formula is CH₂.

<u>Molecular formula</u> is an integral multiple of the empirical formula.

Let the molecular formula be $(CH_2)_n$ $M_r = n(12.0 + 2 \times 1.0) = 28.0 \implies 14n = 28 \implies n = 2$ \therefore molecular formula is C_2H_4 .

Note:

From the formula of the compound, and the relative atomic masses of the elements in it, the percentage composition by mass of each element in the compound can be calculated.

Worked Example 9

20.882 g sample of an ionic compound is found to contain 6.072 g of Na, 8.474 g of S and 6.336 g of O. What is its empirical formula?

	Na	S	0
Mass (g)	6.072	8.474	6.336
Amount (mol) (i.e. mass/A _r)	$\frac{6.072}{23.0} = 0.2640$	$\frac{8.474}{32.1} = 0.2640$	$\frac{6.336}{16.0} = 0.3960$
Division by the smallest mol	$\frac{0.2640}{0.2640} = 1.0$	$\frac{0.2640}{0.2640} = 1.0$	$\frac{0.3960}{0.2640} = 1.5$
Simplest mol ratio	$1 \times 2 = 2$	$1 \times 2 = 2$	$1.5 \times 2 = 3$

Empirical formula of compound: Na₂S₂O₃

Worked Example 10

A compound has the following composition: C, 58.8%, H, 9.8%, O, 31.4%. The relative molecular mass is known to be 102.0. What is its molecular formula?

	С	Н	0
Mass (%) (assuming 100 g sample)	58.8	9.8	31.4
Amount (mol) (i.e. % mass/A _r)	$\frac{58.8}{12.0} = 4.900$	$\frac{9.8}{1.0} = 9.800$	$\frac{31.4}{16.0} = 1.9625$
Division by the smallest mol	$\frac{4.900}{1.9625} = 2.5$	$\frac{9.800}{1.9625} = 5$	$\frac{1.9625}{1.9625} = 1$
Simplest mol ratio	$2.5 \times 2 = 5$	5 × 2 = 10	$1 \times 2 = 2$

Empirical formula of compound: $C_5H_{10}O_2$ Let the molecular formula be $(C_5H_{10}O_2)_n$

Therefore, $n \times [5(12.0) + 10(1.0) + 2(16.0)] = 102.0$

 \Rightarrow n = 1

Molecular formula: C5H10O2

Checkpoint 6

Calculate the empirical formula of an oxide of iron that contains 70% Fe by mass. If the molar mass of the oxide is 159.6 g mol⁻¹, calculate the molecular formula of the oxide.

	Fe	0
% mass		
no. of moles		
division by the		
smallest mol		
simplest mol ratio		

simplest mol ratio		
empirical formula	is	
Let the molecular for $M_r =$	mula be	_
∴ molecular formula	is	

4.2 Determination of Molecular Formula using Combustion Data

Sometimes, the molecular formula of a gaseous hydrocarbon, C_xH_y, can also be determined if the volumes of the gases at each stage can be found. The following general chemical equation may be applied when the gaseous hydrocarbon is completely burnt in excess oxygen (and cooled to T < 100 °C)

$$C_xH_y(g) + (x + \frac{y}{4}) O_2(g) \rightarrow x CO_2(g) + \frac{y}{2} H_2O(l)$$

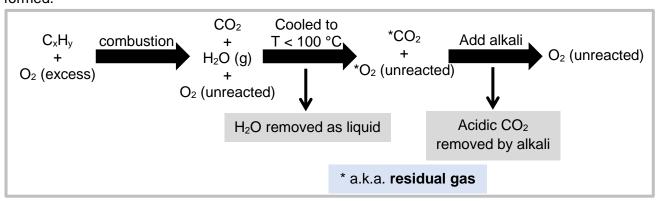
Note:

 $(x + \frac{y}{4})$ O₂ in the above equation represents the <u>reacted</u> oxygen.

Since excess oxygen is used for combustion, some unreacted oxygen will be left.

If the organic compound contains C, H and O, CO_2 and H_2O will be formed upon complete combustion.

If there is incomplete combustion, other carbon containing product e.g C and CO may be formed.



Worked Example 11

15 cm³ of a gaseous hydrocarbon were mixed with 90 cm³ of oxygen and exploded. After cooling to room temperature, the residual gas occupied a volume of 75 cm³ and after passing through an alkali, the volume was reduced to 45 cm³. Explain the function of the alkali and determine the molecular formula of the hydrocarbon.

Function of alkali: to absorb the acidic CO₂

Chemical equation:
$$C_xH_y(g) + (x + \frac{y}{4}) O_2(g) \rightarrow x CO_2(g) + \frac{y}{2} H_2O(I)$$

15 cm³ 45 cm³ 30 cm³ liquid

$$V_{residual\ gas\ (CO_2\ and\ unused\ O_2)}$$
 = 75 cm³

$$V_{CO_2}$$
 produced = 75 - 45 = 30 cm³ V_{O_2} reacted = 90 - 45 = 45 cm³

By Avogadro's Law: volume ratio ≡ mole ratio

By Avogadio's Law. Volume ratio = mole ratio
$$\frac{n_{CO_2}}{n_{C_XH_y}} = \frac{V_{CO_2}}{V_{C_XH_y}}$$

$$\frac{x}{1} = \frac{30}{15} \qquad \Rightarrow x = 2$$

$$\frac{n_{O_2}}{n_{C_XH_y}} = \frac{V_{O_2}}{V_{C_XH_y}}$$

$$\frac{x + y/4}{1} = \frac{45}{15} \Rightarrow y = 4$$
Molecular formula of hydrocarbon: $\underline{C_2H_4}$

Checkpoint 7

10 cm³ of a gaseous hydrocarbon were mixed with 100 cm³ of oxygen and exploded. After cooling to room temperature, the residual gas occupied a volume of 80 cm³ and after passing through aqueous potassium hydroxide, a reduction of 30 cm³ in gaseous volume was noted. Determine the molecular formula of the hydrocarbon.

$$C_xH_y + (x + \frac{y}{4}) O_2 \rightarrow x CO_2 + \frac{y}{2} H_2O$$

V_{residual gas} (CO₂ and unused O₂)=

 $V_{CO_{2 \text{ produced}}} =$

 $V_{\text{unused }O_2} =$

V_{reacted O₂}=

By Avogadro's Law: volume ratio ≡ mole ratio

$$\frac{n_{CO_2}}{n_{C_X H_y}} = \frac{V_{CO_2}}{V_{C_X H_y}} = > \frac{x}{1} = \frac{30}{10} \implies x = 3$$

$$\frac{n_{O_2}}{n_{C_X H_y}} = \frac{V_{O_2}}{V_{C_X H_y}} = >$$

Molecular formula of hydrocarbon:

• Empirical formulae can be determined from combustion data, especially for organic compounds. In the case of *complete* combustion of one mole of any hydrocarbon (i.e. an organic compound containing only carbon and hydrogen) with oxygen, CO₂ and H₂O will be formed.

Worked Example 12 (self-read)

A 1.500 g sample of an organic compound containing only C, H and O was burned completely. The only combustion products were 1.738 g carbon dioxide and 0.715 g water. What would be its empirical formula?

$$n(CO_2)$$
 in 1.738 $g = \frac{1.738}{44.0} = 0.03950$ mol

Since $CO_2 \equiv C$

n(C) in 1.738 g = 0.03950 mol

mass of C in 1.500 g compound = $0.03950 \times 12.0 = 0.4740 g$

$$n(H_2O)$$
 in 0.715 g = $\frac{0.715}{18.0}$ = 0.03972 mol

Since $H_2O \equiv 2H$

n(H) in 0.715 g = 0.03972 × 2 = 0.07944 mol

mass of H in 1.500 g = $0.07944 \times 1.0 = 0.07944 g$

mass of O in 1.500 g = 1.500 - 0.4740 - 0.07944 = 0.9466 g

	С	Н	0
Mass (g)	0.4740	0.07944	0.9466
Amount (mol)	$\frac{0.4740}{0.000} = 0.03950$	$\frac{0.07944}{0.07944} = 0.07944$	$\frac{0.9466}{0.9466} = 0.05916$
(i.e. mass/A _r)	12.0	1.0	16.0
Division by the	$\frac{0.03950}{0.03950} = 1.0$	$\frac{0.07944}{0.0000000000000000000000000000000000$	$\frac{0.05916}{0.05916} = 1.50$
smallest mol	0.03950	0.03950	0.03950
Simplest mol ratio	$1 \times 2 = 2$	$2 \times 2 = 4$	$1.5 \times 2 = 3$

The empirical formula is C₂H₄O₃.



Link to Laboratory Experiments (Practical Work)

Some reactions which produce a gas: \bullet acid + metal \rightarrow H₂

- acid + carbonate → CO₂
- H_2O_2 + oxidising agent $\rightarrow O_2$

The volume of gas evolved can be measured with a gas syringe or by the displacement of water.

Method	by displacement of water	using gas syringe
Set-up	(100 cm³) measuring cylinder (supported with a retort stand) (100 cm³) conical flask reactants (500 cm³) beaker	dropping funnel reactant gas syringe conical flask Note: The use of dropping funnel minimises loss of gas as the reaction is started while the set-up is enclosed.
Apparatus required & their common capacities	 conical flask (100 cm³, 250 cm³) stopper & delivery tube burette (50 cm³) or measuring cylinder (10, 25, 50, 100 cm³) beaker or water trough retort stand 	 conical flask (100 cm³, 250 cm³) stopper & delivery tube dry, well lubricated gas syringe (50 cm³, 100 cm³) retort stand
Remarks	 more difficult to set up suitable for gases that are <u>insoluble</u> in water not suitable for soluble gases like NH₃, HC<i>l</i>, SO₂ 	easier to set upsuitable for all gases

Qn: What do you need to consider when choosing a suitable gas collection method?

Ans: The method used to collect and measure the volume of gas evolved depends on several factors such as the solubility of the gas in water and the volume of gas expected.

Qn: What other considerations do you need to take to ensure reliability of the volume measured?

Ans: The gas collected must be left to equilibrate to standard conditions (298 K and 1 bar) before recording the volume collected.

5. Volumetric Analysis

5.1 Theory of Volumetric Analysis

Volumetric analysis or **titration** is a method of quantitative analysis which depends on the accurate measurement of volumes of two reacting solutions.

A measured volume of one solution placed in a conical flask (also known as analyte) and a second solution (also known as titrant) added bit by bit from a burette until the reaction is complete. The two solutions (**A** and **B**) have such characteristics.

- Solution A: Standard solution whose concentration is accurately known (usually known as the titrant).
- Solution **B**: **Unknown** concentration (usually known as the analyte).
- Once the two solutions have reacted in stoichiometric amounts, the solution undergoes
 a colour change. (In some reactions, the change in colour can be detected using a
 suitable indicator)

There are essentially four types of reactions that can be analysed using titrations:

• Acid-base reaction: involves the neutralisation of a base with an acid.

Arrhenius theory of acids and bases

An **Arrhenius** <u>acid</u> is a substance that <u>releases H+ ions</u> and an **Arrhenius** <u>base</u> is a substance that <u>releases OH-</u> when they are dissolved in water.

- Redox reaction: involves the transfer of electrons from a reducing agent to an oxidising agent.
- Precipitation: involves the formation of an insoluble salt.
- **Complexation reaction:** involves the reaction between a metal ion and ligand to form a complex.

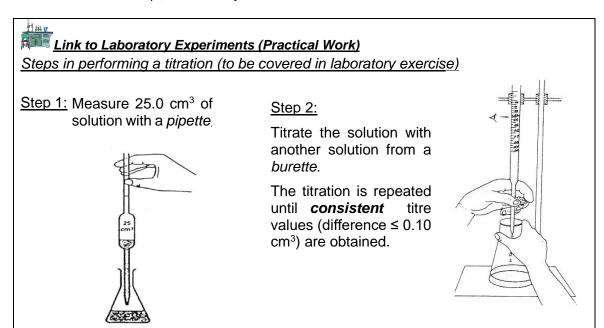
Note:

For acid-base titrations,

• In cases where both solutions are colourless, a suitable indicator is used to detect the end-point. Do not use too much indicator. 2 – 3 drops of indicator is usually sufficient for an acid-base titration.

For redox titrations (to be discussed later),

- For all manganate(VII) titrations, an acid is added in excess. No indicator is required. (refer to pg 44)
- For iodometric titrations, I₂(aq) is titrated against Na₂S₂O₃(aq) until the solution changes from brown to pale yellow. 1 cm³ of starch solution (the indicator) is then added which gives an intense dark blue-black colour. After which, the titration is continued until the blue-black colouration disappears. (*refer to pg 47*)



Note: A good titration is one with a titre of less than 50.00 cm³, preferably close to the volume of the pipette used (usually 25.0 cm³).

5.2 Solutions and Standard solutions

- A **standard solution** is a solution of **known** concentration. It can be prepared from
 - a **solid** (of known mass) or
 - o a **solution** (of known concentration).
- A standard flask (also called volumetric flask or graduated flask) is used to prepare a standard solution.
- The **concentration** of a solution is measured in terms of the amount of solute (in g or mol) contained in a given volume of solution.

Concentration (g dm⁻³) =
$$\frac{\text{mass of solute (g)}}{\text{volume of solution (dm}^3)}$$

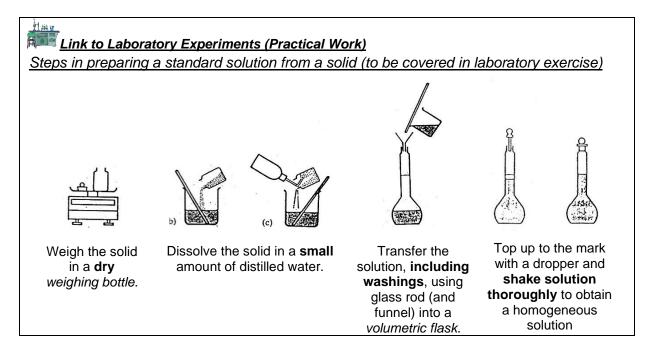
Concentration (mol dm⁻³) = $\frac{\text{amount of solute (mol)}}{\text{volume of solution (dm}^3)}$

$$\frac{\text{Conversion of volumes:}}{\text{1000 cm}^3 = 1 \text{ dm}^3 = 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3}$$

$$1 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^3 = 1000 \text{ dm}^3 = 1 \text{ m}^3$$

Relationship between concentrations in mol dm⁻³ and g dm⁻³:

Concentration in g dm⁻³ = Concentration (mol dm⁻³) \times molar mass (g mol⁻¹)



Worked Example 13

What is the concentration of a solution in mol dm⁻³ containing 1.26 g of nitric acid (HNO₃) in 500 cm³?

$$n_{HNO_3}$$
 in 500 cm³ = $\frac{1.26}{63.0}$ = 0.02000 mol

$$[HNO_3] = \frac{0.0200}{500/1000} = \underline{0.0400} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

Note: The square bracket [] stands for the concentration of a substance in mol dm⁻³.

5.3 Dilution and Sampling

- **Dilution** is the process of adding solvent (e.g. water) to a known volume of the solution.
- Concentration of solute decreases but amount of solute (mol) is unchanged.

Amount of solute in original solution = Amount of solute in diluted solution $C_o V_o = C_d V_d$ where C_o : original concentration V_o : original volume C_d : diluted concentration V_d : diluted volume

Note: V_d is the diluted volume or final volume, NOT the volume of water to be added to the original solution.

Example:

Determine the concentration of the diluted solution as prepared below.

$$C_{o} = 0.1 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$
 $V_{o} = 100 \text{ cm}^{3}$ Add water $V_{d} = 500 \text{ cm}^{3}$

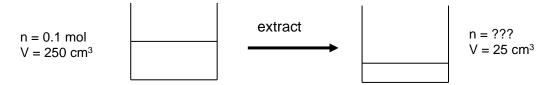
Applying $C_oV_o = C_dV_d$ $\Rightarrow 0.1 \times (100/1000) = C_d \times (500/1000)$ Concentration of diluted solution, $C_d = 0.0200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

<u>Sampling</u> is the process of extraction a small portion of the solution for analysis. This
portion that is sampled will have the <u>same concentration</u> but containing a different
<u>amount of solute</u>.

Sampled amount (mol) =
$$\frac{\text{Volume of portion sampled}}{\text{Original Volume}} \times \text{Original Amount (mol)}$$

Example:

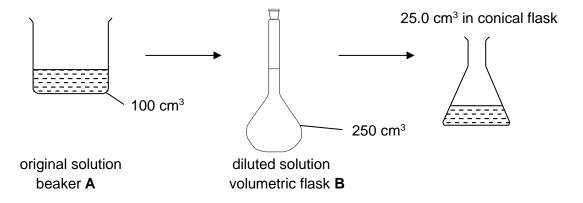
Given a 250 cm³ solution containing 0.10 mol of hydrochloric acid, calculate the amount of hydrochloric acid present when 25 cm³ is extracted from the beaker?



n(HCl) in 25 cm³ extracted sample = (25/250) x 0.10 = **0.0100 mol**

Worked Example 14 (dilution and finding the amount in a portion)

- 1. 29.64 g of calcium hydroxide, Ca(OH)₂ is dissolved in water to make 100 cm³ solution in beaker **A**. The solution is then diluted to 250 cm³ in volumetric flask **B**. A 25.0 cm³ aliquot (portion) is then pipetted out into a conical flask for titration.
 - (a) What is the amount of calcium hydroxide (in mole) in beaker A?
 - (b) What is the initial concentration, in mol dm⁻³, of the original solution in beaker **A**?
 - (c) What is the amount of calcium hydroxide (in mole) in volumetric flask B?
 - (d) Calculate the amount of calcium hydroxide (in mole) pipetted into the conical flask.

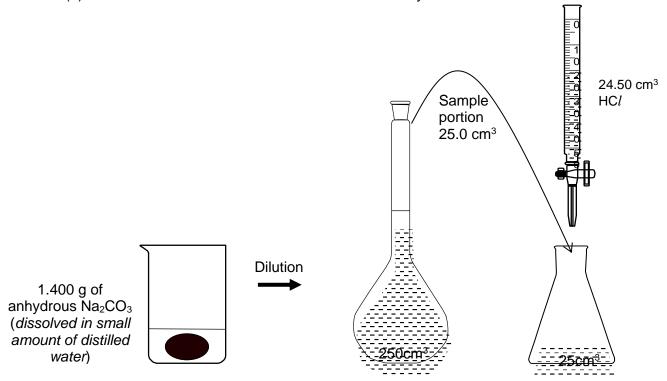


(a)
$$n(Ca(OH)_2)$$
 in 29.64 g in beaker $A = \frac{29.64}{74.1} = \frac{0.400 \text{ mol}}{10.000 \text{ mol}}$

(b) [original solution in beaker A] =
$$\frac{0.400}{1000} = \frac{4.00 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}}{1000}$$

- (c) $n(Ca(OH)_2)$ after dilution in volumetric flask $\mathbf{B} = \underline{0.400 \text{ mol}}$ (the amount (in moles) does <u>not</u> change after dilution)
- (d) $n(Ca(OH)_2)$ in 25.0 cm³ = (25.0/250) × 0.400 = **0.0400 mol**

- 2. 1.400 g of anhydrous sodium carbonate (Na₂CO₃) was made up to 250 cm³ of solution. 25.0 cm³ of this solution required 24.50 cm³ hydrochloric acid (HC*I*) for neutralisation.
 - (a) Give the equation for the acid-base reaction.
 - (b) Calculate the amount of sodium carbonate (in mole) used in the titration.
 - (c) Calculate the concentration, in mol dm⁻³, of hydrochloric acid.
 - (d) Calculate the concentration, in g dm⁻³, of hydrochloric acid.
 - (e) Calculate the mass of chloride ions in 1 dm³ of hydrochloric acid.



Step 1: Write the balanced chemical equation for the reaction.

(a) Chemical equation:

$$Na_2CO_3(aq) + 2HCl(aq) \rightarrow 2NaCl(aq) + CO_2(g) + H_2O(l)$$

(b)
$$n(Na_2CO_3)$$
 in 250 cm³ = $\frac{1.400}{106.0}$ = 0.01321 mol
 $n(Na_2CO_3)$ in 25.0 cm³ = $\frac{25.0}{250}$ × 0.01321 = $\underline{\textbf{1.32} \times \textbf{10}^{-3} \text{ mol}}$

Step 2: Determine the mole ratio involved.

(c) Mole ratio: Na₂CO₃
$$\equiv$$
 2HC l
n(HC l) in 24.50 cm³ = 2 × 1.3208 × 10⁻³ = 2.6416 × 10⁻³ mol
[HC l] = $\frac{2.6416 \times 10^{-3}}{24.50/1000}$ = $\frac{0.108 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}}{1000}$

Step 3: Work out the answer based on stoichiometry.

(d) [HCl] in g dm⁻³ = conc in mol dm⁻³ × molar mass

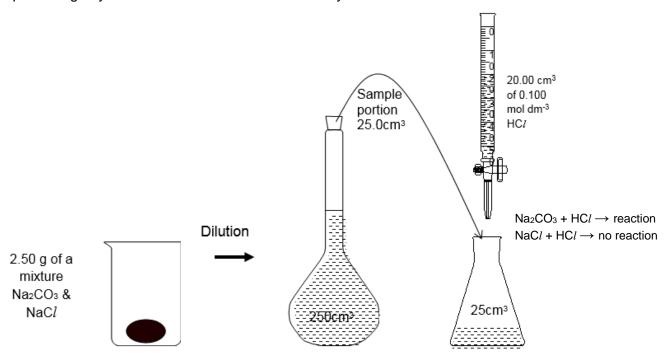
$$= 0.1078 \times 36.5 = 3.94 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$$

(e)
$$HCl \rightarrow H^+ + Cl^-$$

Since $HCl \equiv Cl^-$
 $n(HCl)$ in 1 dm³ = 0.1078 mol
 $n(Cl^-)$ in 1 dm³ = 0.1078 mol
 \therefore mass of Cl^- ions in 1 dm³ = 0.1078 × 35.5 = **3.83** g

Checkpoint 8

1. 2.50 g of a mixture of anhydrous sodium carbonate (Na₂CO₃) and sodium chloride (NaC*l*) were made up to 250 cm³ with distilled water. 25.0 cm³ of this solution required 20.00 cm³ of 0.100 mol dm⁻³ hydrochloric acid (HC*l*) for titration. Calculate the percentage by mass of sodium chloride in the anhydrous mixture.



Step 1: Write the balanced chemical equation for the reaction. Chemical equation: $Na_2CO_3(aq) + 2HCl (aq) \rightarrow 2NaCl (aq) + CO_2(g) + H_2O(l)$

Step 2: Determine the mole ratio involved. Mole ratio:

Step 3: Work out the answer based on stoichiometry. n(HCl) in 20.00 cm³ =

 $n(Na_2CO_3)$ in 25.0 cm³ = $n(Na_2CO_3)$ in 250 cm³ =

mass of Na₂CO₃ in 2.50 g mixture = mass of NaCl in 2.50 g mixture =

Percentage by mass of NaCl in mixture =

Answer: 57.6%

2. 1.250 g of concentrated sulfuric acid were made up to 250 cm³. 25.0 cm³ of this solution were neutralised by 24.85 cm³ of 0.10 mol dm⁻³ sodium hydroxide.

Calculate the percentage purity of the concentrated sulfuric acid.

Chemical Equation:

n(NaOH) used =
$$0.10 \times \frac{24.85}{1000}$$

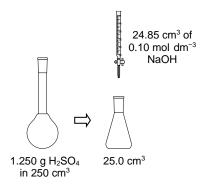
= 2.485×10^{-3} mol

$$n(H_2SO_4)$$
 in 25 cm³ = $\frac{1}{2}$ x $n(NaOH)$
= 1.243 x 10^{-3} mol

$$n(H_2SO_4)$$
 in 250 cm³ =

mass of
$$H_2SO_4$$
 in 250 cm³ =

% purity of
$$H_2SO_4 = 97.5 \%$$



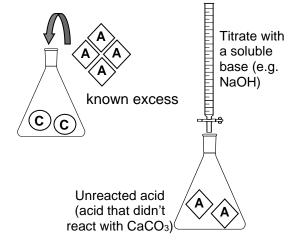
5.4 Back titration

Back titrations are used in cases where a direct titration is **not** possible, due to one of the reactants being an <u>insoluble solid</u>, <u>slow reaction between reactants</u>, <u>end-point is not distinct and sharp</u>, or a <u>lack of a suitable indicator</u> for the titration.

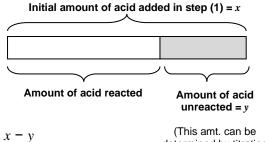
For example, calcium carbonate, being insoluble in water, reacts slowly with acid. As a result, there is no sharp end-point if titrated with an acid directly.

This problem is overcome by **back titration** via the following steps:

1) Add known amount of acid (added in excess) to dissolve calcium carbonate, CaCO₃.



- 2) The amount of <u>unreacted acid</u> (acid that did not react with CaCO₃) can be found by titrating it with a soluble base such as sodium hydroxide.
- 3) The amount of acid that reacted with CaCO₃ is the <u>amount of acid added in</u>
 (1) minus the amount of unreacted acid



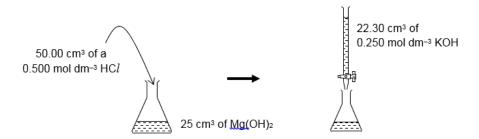
amount (in mol) of acid reacted with $CaCO_3 = x - y$

determined by titration with NaOH in step (2))

4) The amount of CaCO₃ present can then be calculated based on stoichiometry for the reaction between CaCO₃ and acid.

Worked Example 15 (self-read)

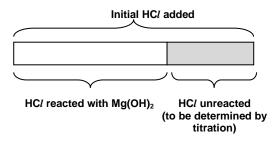
To 25.0 cm³ of a solution of magnesium hydroxide Mg(OH)₂, 50.00 cm³ of 0.500 mol dm⁻³ hydrochloric acid were added. The resulting solution required 22.30 cm³ of 0.250 mol dm⁻³ potassium hydroxide for neutralisation. Calculate the concentration of magnesium hydroxide solution in mol dm⁻³.



Step 1: Write the balanced chemical equations for the reactions. Chemical equations:

$$Mg(OH)_2(aq) + 2HCl(aq)_{reacted} \rightarrow MgCl_2(aq) + 2H_2O(l)$$
 ----(1)

$$KOH(aq) + HCl(aq)_{remaining} \rightarrow KCl(aq) + H_2O(l)$$
 ----(2)



Step 2: Determine the mole ratio involved.

Mole ratio:
$$Mg(OH)_2 \equiv 2HCl_{reacted}$$
 from (1)
 $KOH \equiv HCl_{remaining}$ from (2)

Step 3: Determine the amount of the reactant remaining after reaction by titration with the standard reagent.

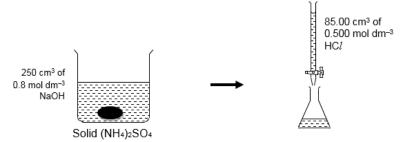
$$n(KOH)$$
 in 22.30 cm³ = (22.30 / 1000) × 0.250 = 0.005575 mol

remaining n(HCl) for titration with KOH = 0.005575 mol **initial** n(HCl) in 50.00 cm³ = (50/1000) × 0.500 = 0.02500 mol

$$n(HCl)$$
 reacted with $Mg(OH)_2$ = initial $n(HCl)$ - remaining $n(HCl)$
= 0.02500 - 0.005575
= 0.019425 mol

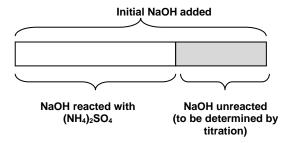
Step 4: Work out the answer based on stoichiometry. $n(Mg(OH)_2)$ in 25.0 cm³ = 0.019425 ÷ 2 = 0.0097125 mol $[Mg(OH)_2] = \frac{0.0097125}{\frac{25.0}{2000}} = \underline{\textbf{0.389 mol dm}^{-3}}$

2. A sample containing acidic ammonium sulfate, (NH₄)₂SO₄ was warmed with 250 cm³ of 0.800 mol dm⁻³ sodium hydroxide (NaOH). After the evolution of ammonia has ceased, the remaining sodium hydroxide solution was neutralised by 85.00 cm³ of 0.500 mol dm⁻³ hydrochloric acid (HC*l*). What mass of ammonium sulfate did the sample contain?



Step 1: Write the balanced chemical equations for the reactions.

Chemical equations: $(NH_4)_2SO_4$ (s) + 2NaOH (aq)_{reacted} \rightarrow Na₂SO₄ (aq) + 2NH₃ (g) + 2H₂O (l) -(1) HCl (aq) + NaOH (aq)_{remaining} \rightarrow NaCl (aq) + H₂O (l) -(2)



Step 2: Determine the mole ratio involved.

Mole Ratio:
$$(NH_4)_2SO_4 \equiv 2NaOH$$

 $HCl \equiv NaOH$

Step 3: Determine the amount of the reactant remaining after reaction by titration with the standard reagent.

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n(HCl) in 85.00 cm<sup>3</sup> = (85.00/1000) × 0.500 = 0.04250 mol 

n(NaOH) remaining for titration with HCl = 0.04250 mol 

Initial n(NaOH) in 250 cm<sup>3</sup> = (250/1000) × 0.800 = 0.2000 mol 

n(NaOH) reacted with (NH_4)_2SO_4 = initial n(NaOH) - remaining n(NaOH) = 0.2000 - 0.04250 

= 0.1575 mol
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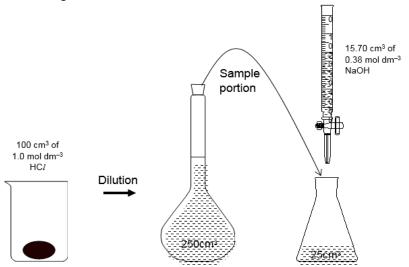
Step 4: Work out the answer based on stoichiometry.

$$n((NH_4)_2SO_4) = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.1575 = 0.07875 \text{ mol}$$

mass of $(NH_4)_2SO_4 = 0.07875 \times 132.1 = 10.4 g$

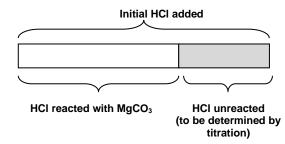
Checkpoint 9

A sample of magnesium carbonate was dissolved in 100 cm³ of 1.0 mol dm⁻³ hydrochloric acid. The resulting solution was made up to 250 cm³ with distilled water. 25.0 cm³ of the solution required 15.70 cm³ of 0.38 mol dm⁻³ aqueous sodium hydroxide for neutralisation. Determine the mass of magnesium carbonate used.



Chemical equations:

$$MgCO_3$$
 (aq) + 2HC l (aq)_{reacted} \rightarrow MgC l_2 (aq) + CO₂(g) + H₂O(l) ----(1)
HC l (aq)_{remaining} + NaOH (aq) \rightarrow NaC l (aq) + H₂O (l) ----(2)



Mole ratio: $MgCO_3 \equiv 2HCl$ $HCl \equiv NaOH$

n(NaOH) in 15.70 cm³ =

n(HCl) remaining in 25.0 cm³ for titration with NaOH =

n(HCl) remaining in 250 cm³ =

Initial n(HCl) =

n(HCl) reacted with MgCO₃ = initial n_{HCl} - remaining n_{HCl}

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 $n(MgCO_3) =$

mass of MgCO₃ used =

Answer: 1.70 g

6. Redox Processes



It is important to first understand redox processes before performing calculations for redox titrations.

- What happens in a redox reaction?
- How to construct a balanced redox equation using oxidation number method and half-equation method?

6.1 Definition of Oxidation and Reduction

Oxidation	Reduction
 Gain of oxygen Loss of hydrogen Loss of electrons Increase in oxidation number 	 Loss of oxygen Gain of hydrogen Gain of electrons Decrease in oxidation number

6.2 Oxidation Number

6.2.1 Definition of Oxidation Number

Each atom in a molecule (or ionic compound) is assigned an **oxidation number** or **oxidation state**, which is the charge the atom would have *if* electrons were not shared but were transferred completely. Note that an oxidation number contains <u>both the sign and the number</u>. The '+' and '-' signs must be indicated <u>before</u> the number.

All atoms in elements, ions/compounds can be assigned an oxidation number according to a set of rules as shown in **6.2.2**.

6.2.2 Rules for Assigning Oxidation Number (O.N.)

The oxidation number of an atom in its <u>elemental state</u> is <u>zero</u>.

e.g. $\underline{\mathbf{0}}$ in Fe $\underline{\mathbf{0}}$ in O_2 $\underline{\mathbf{0}}$ in P_4

The oxidation number of any monoatomic ion is equal to the charge on the ion.

e.g. -2 in O^{2-} -1 in F^{-} +3 in Al^{3+} +2 in Fe^{2+}

The <u>algebraic sum</u> of the oxidation numbers of all atoms in a <u>neutral (uncharged)</u>
 compound must be zero.

Substance	Sum of O.N.
FeCl ₂	(+2) + 2(-1) = 0
NH ₃	-3 + 3(+1) = 0
H ₂ SO ₄	2(+1) + (+6) + 4(-2) = 0

• The <u>algebraic sum</u> of the oxidation numbers of all atoms in a <u>polyatomic ion</u> (ion containing more than one atom) is equal to the <u>charge on the ion</u>.

Substance	Sum of O.N.
MnO ₄ ⁻	(+7) + 4(-2) = -1
Cr ₂ O ₇ ²⁻	2(+6) + 7(-2) = -2
CO ₃ ²⁻	(+4) + 3(-2) = -2

• Standard (fixed) oxidation numbers for some elements in their compounds.

Elements	O.N.	Examples	Exceptions
Group 1	+1	K ₂ O, Li C <i>l</i>	Nil
Group 2	+2	$MgCl_2$, $Ca(OH)_2$	Nil
Group 13	+3	A <i>l</i> F ₃	Nil
Hydrogen	+1	H_2O , C_2H_6 , OH^-	Metal hydride e.g. NaH (O.N. of <u>H</u> is <u>-1</u>)
Oxygen	-2	H ₂ O , Ca O	 a) peroxides e.g. H₂O₂, Na₂O₂ (O.N. of <u>O</u> is <u>-1</u>) b) when oxygen is bonded to fluorine
Fluorine	_1	HF, MgF ₂	(e.g. OF ₂) (O.N. of <u>O</u> is <u>+2</u>)
Other halogens (Cl, Br, I)	-1	Fe C I ₃ , H B r	When bonded to more electronegative element e.g. Cl_2O (O.N. of $\underline{C}l$ is $\underline{+1}$) $BrO_3^- (O.N. of \underline{Br} is \underline{+5})$

• The **most electronegative atom** is assigned the same O.N. in all their compounds. Electronegativity is the ability of an atom in a molecule to attract shared electrons in a covalent bond.

Electronegativity trends: increases across the period,

decreases down the group (F > Cl > Br > I)

Very electronegative elements retain the same O.N. in their compounds. They are used as reference in assigning O.N. to other elements.

In general, electronegativity: $F > O > N \approx Cl > Br$

O.N. of	Fluorine	Oxygen	Nitrogen
Fluorine	F ₂ (0)	F ₂ O (+2)	N F ₃ (+3)
Oxygen	F ₂ O (–1)	O ₂ (0)	N O ₂ N O (+4), (+2)
Nitrogen	N F ₃ (–1)	NO NO ₂ (-2), (-2)	N ₂ (0)
Hydrogen	H F (–1)	H ₂ O (-2)	N H ₃ (–3)

For interhalogen compounds: The more electronegative atom retains its O.N.

Substance	More electronegative atom	O.N.
IBr	Br	Br (-1), I (+1)
BrCl ₃	Cl	Cl (-1), Br (+3)

Roman numerals are used to state the oxidation state of the element within a compound
 E.g. CuO is named copper(II) oxide NOT copper(2) oxide
 (Oxidation number of Cu is +2).

Compound	Name	O.N. of iron
FeSO ₄	Iron(II) sulfate	+2
Fe ₂ (SO ₄) ₃	Iron(III) sulfate	+3

Checkpoint 10

(a)
$$\underline{O}_2F_2$$
 (b) $\underline{N}H_4^+$ (c) $\underline{HC}HO$

Let x be the oxidation number of the element to be calculated.

(a)
$$2(x) + 2(-1) = 0$$
 $\Rightarrow x =$

(b)
$$x + 4 (+1) = +1$$
 $\Rightarrow x =$

(c)

2. Which one of the following pairs of ions contains two underlined elements having the same oxidation number?

Α	<u>Cl</u> O ₃ ⁻	<u>Cl</u> O ₄ ²⁻
В	MnO₄⁻	MnO4 ²⁻
С	<u>Cr</u> O ₄ ²⁻	$Cr_2O_7^{2-}$
D	SO ₃ ²⁻	SO_4^{2-}

Answer: _____

6.3 Oxidising and Reducing Agents

6.3.1 Oxidising Agents

- An oxidising agent <u>oxidises</u> another substance. In the process, it <u>gains or accepts</u> <u>electrons</u> from other substances and undergoes <u>reduction</u>.
- Oxidation number of an oxidising agent <u>decreases</u>.

Oxidising Agents	Products*
MnO ₄ -/ H+, (purple)	Mn ²⁺ (colourless)
manganate(VII) in acidic medium	<u>wiii</u> (colouness)
MnO ₄ -/ OH- , (purple)	MnO ₂ (Brown ppt)
manganate(VII) in basic medium	ivinO ₂ (Brown ppt)
<u>Cr</u> ₂ O ₇ ²⁻ / H ⁺ , (orange)	<u>Cr</u> ³⁺ (green)
dichromate(VI) in acidic medium	<u>Ci</u> (green)
Fe ³⁺ (yellow)	Fe ²⁺ (pale green)
iron(III)	r e (paie green)
aqueous I ₂ (brown)	I - (colourless)
Br ₂ (reddish brown gas / liquid)	Br ⁻ (colourless)
Cl ₂ (greenish yellow gas)	Cl- (colourless)
aqueous Cl_2 (pale yellow)	Ci (colouriess)
SO ₄ 2- (colourless)	<u>S</u> O ₃ ²⁻ (colourless)
sulfate(VI)	sulfite
H ₂ O ₂ (colourless)	HaO
hydrogen peroxide**	1 12 <u>0</u>

^{*} may be obtained from the Data Booklet

6.3.2 Reducing Agents

- A reducing agent <u>reduces</u> another substance. In the process, it <u>loses or donates</u> <u>electrons</u> to other substances and undergoes <u>oxidation</u>.
- Oxidation number of a reducing agent <u>increases</u>.

Reducing Agents	Products*
<u>S</u> ₂ O ₃ ²⁻ (colourless)	<u>S</u> ₄ O ₆ ²⁻ (colourless)
thiosulfate	tetrathionate
$\underline{C}_2O_4^{2-}$ (colourless)	CO ₂
ethanedioate	<u> </u>
Fe ²⁺ ,	Fe ³⁺
iron(II)	10
Br-	Br ₂
I-	I_2
S ²⁻ (colourless)	S (yellow solid)
sulfide	o (yellow solid)
<u>S</u> O ₃ ²⁻	<u>S</u> O ₄ ²⁻
Metals, M	M ⁿ⁺
H ₂ O ₂	O ₂
hydrogen peroxide**	O_2

^{*} may be obtained from the Data Booklet

6.3.3 Application of Oxidising and Reducing Agents

E.g.: Hydrogen Peroxide**

As a reducing agent	As an oxidising agent	
In the presence of a stronger oxidising agent	In the absence of a stronger oxidising	
e.g. <u>MnO₄⁻/ H⁺</u>	agent.	
Acts as electron donor and is oxidised :	Acts as electron acceptor and is reduced:	
$H_2O_2 \rightarrow O_2 + 2H^+ + 2e^-$	$H_2O_2 + 2e^- + 2H^+ \rightarrow 2H_2O$	

6.4 Redox reactions

A **redox** reaction is a process in which oxidation and reduction **occur simultaneously**.

It involves **electron transfer** from the reducing agent to oxidising agent. The transfer of electrons results in a **change in oxidation number** of the atoms involved.

No. of e⁻ lost from oxidation = no. of e⁻ gained for reduction

Hence, redox reaction can be recognised by a <u>change in the oxidation number</u> of any atom in the reaction.

Special Cases:

1) **Disproportionation** is redox reaction in which the **same** substance is oxidised and reduced at the same time.

Example: $\underline{Cl_2} + H_2O \rightarrow H\underline{Cl} + H\underline{Cl}O$ (0) (-1) (+1)

 Cl_2 disproportionates to ClO^- and Cl^- as Cl_2 is reduced to Cl^- and oxidized to ClO^- .

2) Comproportionation is a redox reaction in which two reactants, each containing the same element of a different oxidation number, form a product in which the element involved reaches the same oxidation number.

It is the reverse reaction of a disproportionation reaction.

Example: $HCl + HClO \rightarrow Cl_2 + H_2O$

Checkpoint 11

By calculating relevant oxidation numbers, determine which species undergo oxidation, and which undergo reduction, during the following reactions.

(a)
$$2HNO_2 + 2HI \longrightarrow 2NO + I_2 + 2H_2O$$

HNO₃ undergoes _____ as the oxidation state of N decreases from ____ to ____.

HI undergoes ____ as the oxidation state I increases from ____ to ____.

(b)
$$NO_2 + NaClO_3 \longrightarrow NaNO_3 + ClO_2$$

 $NaClO_3$ undergoes _____ as the oxidation state of Cl decreases from ____ to ____. NO_2 undergoes ____ to ____ to ____.

6.5 Balancing Redox Equations

Three rules that must be observed when writing balanced redox equations:

- 1. Mass balance: The number of atoms on left hand side of equation must equal to the number of atoms on right hand side of equation.
- 2. Charge balance: The sum of the charges on left hand side of equation must equal to the sum of the charges on right hand side of equation.
- 3. Number of electrons lost = number of electrons gained

Two methods used to balance redox equations are the <u>oxidation number method</u> and the *half-equation* method.

6.5.1 The oxidation number method

• This method consists of five steps that use the <u>changes in oxidation numbers</u> to generate balancing coefficients.

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Example Use the oxidation number method to balance the following equation: $Cu + HNO_3 \rightarrow Cu(NO_3)_2 + NO_2 + H_2O$
$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Cu was oxidised: the O.N. of Cu increased from 0 (in Cu metal) to +2 (in Cu ²⁺) HNO ₃ was reduced: the O.N. of N decreased from +5 (in HNO ₃) to +4 (in NO ₂)
$\begin{array}{c} \text{loses 2e}^{-} \\ \text{Cu + HNO}_3 \rightarrow \text{Cu(NO}_3)_2 + \text{NO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \\ \\ \text{gains 1e}^{-} \end{array}$
Cu lost $2e^-$, so the $1e^-$ gained by N should be multiplied by 2. We put the coefficient 2 before NO_2 and HNO_3 : $Cu + 2HNO_3 \rightarrow Cu(NO_3)_2 + 2NO_2 + H_2O$
Balancing N atoms requires a 4 in front of HNO_3 because two additional N atoms are in the NO_3^- ions in $Cu(NO_3)_2$: $Cu + 4HNO_3 \rightarrow Cu(NO_3)_2 + 2NO_2 + H_2O$ Then, balancing H atoms requires a 2 in front of H_2O : $Cu + 4HNO_3 \rightarrow Cu(NO_3)_2 + 2NO_2 + 2H_2O$

Checkpoint 12

Use the oxidation number method to balance the following equations:

(a)
$$_HNO_3 + _K_2CrO_4 + _Fe(NO_3)_2 \rightarrow _KNO_3 + _Fe(NO_3)_3 + _Cr(NO_3)_3 + _H_2O_3 + _H_2O_3$$

[Answer: 8:1:3:2:3:1:4]

(b)
$$_C_4H_8O_2 + _H_2O \rightarrow _CH_4 + _CO_2$$
 [modified from N2017/III/4(a)(ii)]

[Answer: 2:2:5:3]

6.5.2 The half-equation method

The half-equation method divides the overall redox equation into oxidation and reduction half-equations.

The steps to write a balanced half-equation are as follows:

	Steps	Example	
1.	Write the skeletal equation showing only the oxidised and reduced forms of a species If the oxidised form of a species is on the left side of the equation, the reduced form of that species is on the right, and vice versa.	+7 MnO ₄ ⁻ → MnO ₂ oxidised form reduced form	
2.	Balance All Elements other than O or H	Not applicable in this case	
3.	Balance O with H ₂ O	MnO ₄ ⁻ → MnO ₂ + 2 H ₂ O	
4.	Balance H with H ⁺	MnO ₄ ⁻ + 4H ⁺	
5.	Balance charges with e lectrons (e ⁻)	$MnO_4^- + 4H^+ + 3e^- \longrightarrow MnO_2 + 2 H_2O$ This is a <u>reduction</u> half-equation (<u>e</u> - are <u>added</u> on <u>left</u> side of equation) in <u>acidic</u> medium.	
6.	For <u>basic medium only</u>	MnO_4 $+ 4H^+ + 3e^- \longrightarrow MnO_2 + 2H_2O$	
	H ⁺ ions are removed by adding OH ⁻ on both sides of the equation to form H ₂ O	+ 4 OH + 4 OH = 4 H ₂ O	
	eck to cancel H_2O on both sides of the erall equation.	Simplify to obtain the reduction half-equation in <u>basic/alkaline</u> medium: $MnO_4^- + 2H_2O + 3e^- \longrightarrow MnO_2 + 4OH^-$	

Checkpoint 13

Write balanced half-equations for the following changes:

- (a) the oxidation of C₂O₄²⁻ to CO₂ in acid solution
- (b) the reduction of H₂O₂ to water in acid solution
- (c) the oxidation of H₂O₂ to oxygen in alkaline solution

(a)	
(b)	
(c)	

6.5.3 Writing Overall Redox Equation

- Step 1: Write separate balanced half-equations for the oxidation and reduction reactions
- Step 2: If necessary, multiply one or both half-equations by an integer to make the <u>number</u> of electrons lost in the oxidation equals the <u>number of electrons gained</u> in the reduction
- **Step 3**: Combine (add) the balanced half-equations to obtain the overall equation and cancel out the common terms. Include state symbols when necessary

Worked Example 16

Sulfur dioxide gas, SO_2 , was bubbled into an acidified solution of potassium dichromate(VI), $K_2Cr_2O_7$. The SO_2 gas was oxidised to $SO_4^{2^-}$. Construct the redox equation for this reaction with state symbols.

Step 1: Write separate balanced half-equations for oxidation and reduction

		Oxidation	Reduction
1.	Write the skeletal equation showing only the oxidised and reduced forms of a species	$SO_2 \rightarrow SO_4^{2-}$	
2.	Balance Elements other than O or H	N.A	can be obtained from the Data Booklet
3.	Balance O with H ₂ O	$SO_2 + 2H_2O \rightarrow SO_4^{2-}$	_
4.	Balance H with H ⁺	$SO_2 + 2H_2O \rightarrow SO_4^{2-} + 4H^+$	$Cr_2O_7^{2-} + 14H^+ + 6e^-$ $\rightarrow 2Cr^{3+} + 7H_2O$
5.	Balance charges with electrons (e ⁻)	$SO_{2} + 2H_{2}O \rightarrow SO_{4}^{2-} + 4H^{+}$ $-2 + 4 = +2$ $SO_{2} + 2H_{2}O \rightarrow SO_{4}^{2-} + 4H^{+} + 2e^{-}$ (1)	(2)

Step 2: Multiply one or both half-equations by an integer (no. of e⁻ lost = no. of e⁻ gained)

(1) x 3:
$$3SO_2 + 6H_2O \rightarrow 3SO_4^{2-} + 12H^+ + 6e^-$$

(2) x 1:
$$Cr_2O_7^{2-} + 14H^+ + 6e^- \rightarrow 2Cr^{3+} + 7H_2O$$

Step 3: Combine (add) the balanced half-equations and cancel out the common terms (include state symbols if question specifies)

$$3SO_2 + 6H_2O + Cr_2O_7^{2-} + 14H^+ \rightarrow 3SO_4^{2-} + 12H^+ + 2Cr^{3+} + 7H_2O$$

Overall:
$$3SO_2(g) + Cr_2O_7^{2-}(aq) + 2H^+(aq) \rightarrow 3SO_4^{2-}(aq) + 2Cr^{3+}(aq) + H_2O(l)$$



The overall redox equation **must** <u>not</u> contain the electron term.

Checkpoint 14

Hydrogen peroxide, H_2O_2 was reduced to water when it was added to an aqueous solution of Fe^{2+} in acidic medium. Fe^{2+} was oxidised to Fe^{3+} . Construct the redox equation for this reaction.

Oxidation:

Since Fe²⁺ was oxidised, H₂O₂ will be reduced. Product is H₂O.

Reduction:

Overall redox equation:

7. Redox titrations

- A **redox titration** involves the **stoichiometric reaction** based on a **redox** reaction between the two solutions involved.
- Some redox titrations involving manganate(VII) and dichromate(VI) do not require the addition of an indicator to detect the end-point.

7.1 Manganate(VII) (MnO₄) Titration

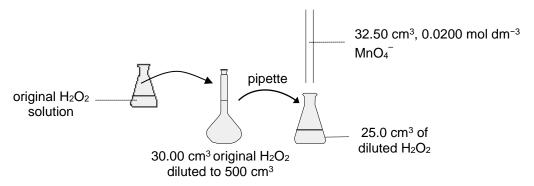
- MnO₄ is a very strong oxidising agent and is usually placed in the burette and added into the conical flask containing the reducing agent.
- Typical reducing agents that can react with MnO₄ are Fe²⁺, C₂O₄²⁻, H₂O₂ and I⁻.
- MnO₄⁻ titrations are usually carried out in **acidic** conditions. H₂SO₄ is suitable to acidify it.
- HCl(aq) and HNO₃(aq) are not used to acidify MnO₄⁻ as both will interfere with the experiment. HCl will be oxidised by KMnO₄ to give chlorine and HNO₃ is an oxidising agent.
- Acidified MnO₄ is used in the titration process. Alkaline or neutral MnO₄ is seldom used as incomplete reduction of MnO₄ occurs, causing precipitation of brown MnO₂.
- In <u>acidic medium</u>, the half-equation is

$$MnO_4^- + 8H^+ + 5e^- \rightarrow Mn^{2+} + 4H_2O$$
 refer to Data Booklet

- No indicator is required for this titration because MnO₄ itself acts as the indicator.
- During the titration, the purple MnO₄ turns colourless as it is reduced to Mn²⁺ ions (colourless / pale pink)
- When all the reducing agent is used up, the first extra drop of MnO₄ causes the solution in the conical flask to turn permanent pink (due to a slight excess of purple MnO₄). This sharp colour change indicates that the end-point is attained.

Worked Example 17

30.00 cm³ of a given solution of hydrogen peroxide was diluted to 500 cm³ with distilled water. 25.0 cm³ of this diluted solution then required 32.50 cm³ of 0.0200 mol dm⁻³ potassium manganate(VII) for titration in acidic conditions. Calculate the concentration of the original hydrogen peroxide solution in g dm⁻³.



Oxidation:
$$H_2O_2 \rightarrow O_2 + 2H^+ + 2e^-$$
 ----- (1)

Reduction:
$$MnO_4^- + 8H^+ + 5e^- \rightarrow Mn^{2+} + 4H_2O$$
 ----- (2)

Overall:
$$\{(1) \times 5\} + \{(2) \times 2\}$$

$$5H_2O_2$$
 (aq) + $2MnO_4^-$ (aq) + $6H^+$ (aq) $\rightarrow 5O_2$ (g) + $2Mn^{2+}$ (aq) + $8H_2O$ (l) **25.0 cm³ 32.50 cm³ 0.0200 mol dm⁻³**

Mole ratio:
$$5H_2O_2 \equiv 2MnO_4$$

$$n(MnO_4^-)$$
 in 32.50 cm³ = $\frac{32.50}{1000} \times 0.0200$
= 6.500 × 10⁻⁴ mol

$$n(H_2O_2)$$
 in 25.0 cm³ = $\frac{5}{2}$ × 6.500 x 10⁻⁴ = 1.625 × 10⁻³ mol

$$n(H_2O_2)$$
 in 500 cm³ = $\frac{500}{25}$ × 1.625 × 10⁻³ = 0.03250 mol

 $n(H_2O_2)$ in 30.00 cm³ of original solution = 0.03250 mol

[H₂O₂] of original solution =
$$\frac{0.03250}{\frac{30.00}{1000}}$$

= 1.083 mol dm⁻³

Conc. of
$$H_2O_2$$
 in g dm⁻³ = 1.083 × 34.0 = 36.82 \approx 36.8 g dm⁻³

7.2 Dichromate(VI) ($Cr_2O_7^{2-}$) Titration

- Acidified $Cr_2O_7^{2-}$ (usually $K_2Cr_2O_7$) is a strong oxidising agent but not as strong as MnO_4 .
- H₂SO₄ is a suitable acid to acidify Cr₂O₇²⁻.
- In acidic medium, the half-equation is

$$Cr_2O_7^{2-} + 14H^+ + 6e^- \rightarrow 2Cr^{3+} + 7H_2O$$
 refer to Data Booklet

Worked Example 18

A 0.1576 g piece of iron wire was converted into Fe²⁺ ions and then titrated against acidified potassium dichromate(VI) solution of concentration 1.64 x 10⁻² mol dm⁻³. If 27.30 cm³ of the oxidising agent was required, calculate the percentage purity of the iron wire.

Reduction: $Cr_2O_7^{2-} + 14H^+ + 6e^- \rightarrow 2Cr^{3+} + 7H_2O$

Oxidation: $Fe^{2+} \rightarrow Fe^{3+} + e^{-}$

Overall: $Cr_2O_7^{2-}(aq) + 6Fe^{2+}(aq) + 14H^+(aq) \rightarrow 2Cr^{3+}(aq) + 6Fe^{3+}(aq) + 7H_2O(l)$

Mole ratio: $Cr_2O_7^{2-} \equiv 6Fe^{2+}$

$$n(Cr2O72-) reacted = \frac{27.30}{1000} x 1.64 x 10-2$$
$$= 4.447 x 10-4 mol$$

$$n(Fe^{2+})$$
 reacted = 6 x 4.477 x 10^{-4}
= 2.686 x 10^{-3} mol

$$n(Fe) = n(Fe^{2+}) \text{ reacted} = 2.686 \text{ x } 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

mass of pure Fe =
$$2.686 \times 10^{-3} \times 55.8$$

= 0.1499 g

7.3 <u>Iodometric Titration using Thiosulfate (S₂O₃²⁻)</u>

- This titration is used to determine the concentration of iodine or substances which liberate iodine from potassium iodide, KI, or potassium iodate(V), KIO₃.
- Half-equations:

Oxidation:
$$2S_2O_3^{2-} \rightarrow S_4O_6^{2-} + 2e^-$$
 refer to Data Booklet

thiosulfate tetrathionate

Reduction:
$$I_2 + 2e^- \rightarrow 2I^-$$
 refer to Data Booklet

Overall redox equation:
$$2S_2O_3^{2-} + I_2 \rightarrow S_4O_6^{2-} + 2I^-$$

- The thiosulfate solution is usually placed in the burette and the brown iodine solution in the conical flask.
- During the titration, the thiosulfate added from the burette into the flask reduces the brown iodine (I₂) solution into colourless iodide (I⁻) ions. The solution gradually fades to pale yellow.
- At this point, starch indicator is added into the flask. The solution turns blue-black as starch forms an intense blue-black complex with the remaining iodine.
- Titration then continues until all the iodine is used up and the colour changes from blue-black to colourless.

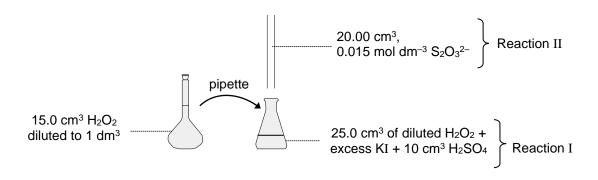
Note:

- lodine is volatile and will vaporise easily at room temperature hence titration must be conducted immediately. Otherwise, cover all flasks containing iodine.
- Starch forms a blue-black water soluble complex with iodine where iodine is trapped within the starch molecules. Hence, it is important to only add starch at the end of the titration when there is a low concentration of iodine since some iodine may remain trapped in the starch even at the end-point.
- Sometimes, the blue-black colour slowly reappears after the titration as some I⁻ ions are oxidised back to I₂.

Worked Example 19

A 15.0 cm 3 solution of H_2O_2 was diluted to 1 dm 3 . 25.0 cm 3 of this solution was added to excess potassium iodide and 10 cm 3 of dilute sulfuric acid were added to the flask. The iodine liberated was titrated using sodium thiosulfate with starch as the indicator. The end-point was reached when 20.00 cm 3 of 0.015 mol dm $^{-3}$ thiosulfate had been added.

What was the concentration of the original hydrogen peroxide solution?



Reaction I between H₂O₂ and excess I⁻

Oxidation: $2I^- \rightarrow I_2 + 2e^-$

Reduction: $H_2O_2 + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow 2H_2O$

Overall redox reaction: (1) + (2)

$$H_2O_2$$
 (aq) + $2H^+$ (aq) + $2I^-$ (aq) $\rightarrow I_2$ (aq) + $2H_2O$ (l)

Reaction II between I2 and S2O32=

$$I_2$$
 (aq) + $2S_2O_3^{2-}$ (aq) $\rightarrow S_4O_6^{2-}$ (aq) + $2I^-$ (aq)

mole ratio: $H_2O_2 \equiv I_2 \equiv 2 S_2O_3^{2-}$

$$n(S_2O_3^{2-})$$
 in 20.00 cm³ = $\frac{20.00}{1000} \times 0.015 = 3.000 \times 10^{-4}$ mol

n(diluted
$$H_2O_2$$
) in 25.0 cm³ = $\frac{3.000 \times 10^{-4}}{2}$ = 1.500 × 10⁻⁴ mol

n(diluted
$$H_2O_2$$
) in 1 dm³ (1000 cm³) = $\frac{1000}{25}$ × 1.500 x 10⁻⁴ = 6.000 × 10⁻³ mol

 $n(\text{original } H_2O_2) \text{ in } 15 \text{ cm}^3 = 6.000 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$

[H₂O₂] in original solution =
$$\frac{6.000 \times 10^{-3}}{\frac{15.0}{1000}}$$
$$= 0.400 mol dm-3$$

7.4 Determination of unknown oxidation number

At times, the initial or final oxidation number of one of the species is unknown. The unknown initial or final oxidation number of **B** can be determined when a known amount of **A** (whose final and initial O.N. are known) reacts in stoichiometric amount with **B** in a redox reaction.

Concept applied:

amount of electrons lost = amount of electrons gained

Worked Example 20

Thallium(III) ion, Tl^{3+} can oxidise iodide ions to I_2 . In an experiment, 3.00×10^{-3} mol of aqueous Tl^{3+} was found to react with 30.00 cm^3 of $0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ aqueous potassium iodide, KI. What is the oxidation number of thallium at end-point?

(I⁻ is oxidised to I_2 while Tl^{3+} is reduced; final O.N. of Tl is unknown)

Step 1: Calculate the amount (in moles) of each reactant

$$\begin{split} &n(T \ell^{3+}) = 3.000 \text{ x } 10^{-3} \text{ mol (given)} \\ &n(I^{-}) \text{ in } 30.00 \text{ cm}^{3} = \frac{30.00}{1000} \text{ x } 0.200 \text{ = } 0.006000 \text{ mol} \end{split}$$

METHOD 1 (PREFRRED METHOD)

Step 2: Calculate the amount (in moles) of e-lost from oxidation

$$2I^- \rightarrow I_2 + 2e^-$$

n(e⁻) lost from oxidation = n(I⁻) = 0.006000 mol
n(e⁻) gained in reduction = n(e⁻) lost from oxidation = 0.006000 mol

Step 3: Derive mole ratio between e⁻ gained (or lost) and oxidising (or reducing) agent

mole ratio:
$$\frac{n(e^- gained)}{n(T/2^{3+})} = \frac{0.00600}{0.00300} = \frac{2}{1}$$

Therefore, $Tl^{3+} + 2e^{-} \rightarrow Tl^{n+}$ n = 1, i.e. the final O.N. of Tl is +1.

METHOD 2

Step 2: Derive mole ratio between oxidising and reducing agents

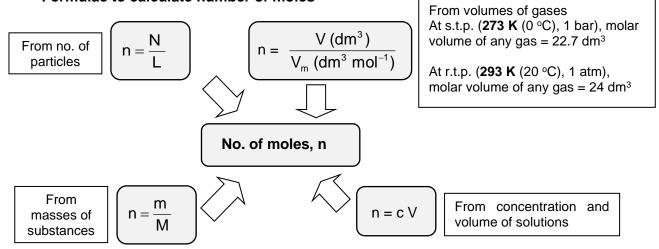
mole ratio:
$$\frac{n(\Gamma)}{n(T/3^+)} = \frac{0.00600}{0.00300} = \frac{2}{1}$$

Mole ratio: $Tl^{3+} \equiv 2I^{-}$

Since 2 mol of I^- lost 2 mol of e^- ($2I^- \rightarrow I_2 + 2e^-$), 1 mol of Tl^{3+} gained 2 mol of e^- . Therefore, $Tl^{3+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Tl^{n+}$ n = 1, i.e. the final O.N. of Tl is +1

Summary





General strategy in performing mole concept calculations

Steps in problem solving	Concepts	
Analyse the question	acid-base titration; back titration; redox titration; gases writing appropriate balance chemical equation	
Find amount (in moles) of reactant or product A	• $n = \frac{m}{M}$; $n = \frac{V}{V_m}$ (Avogadro's Law); $n = \frac{N}{L}$; $n = c V$	
Ratio from balanced equation	 Applying to gases under same conditions Avogadro's Hypothesis: mole ratio = volume ratio Balancing equations: Combustion equation, half-equations and overall equation Electron Transfer in redox reactions no. of electrons lost (oxidation) = no. of electrons gained (reduction) 	
Find amount (in moles) of reactant or product B	Use of ratio from balanced equation	
Mass, volume of gas or volume (or concentration) of solution	 n = m/M; n = V/V_m (Avogadro's Law); n = N/L; n = c V dilution: (c₁ x V₁)_{before dilution} = (c₂ x V₂)_{after dilution} percentage yield, percentage purity: percentage yield = actual yield/theoretical yield x 100% unit conversion, limiting reagent 	
	 scaling units and decimal places/significant figures	



Personal Checklist

S/N	Learning Outcomes			If you are able to	Questions
0/14	Learning Odloomes			solve the	I wish to
	I am able to			question, put a	clarify
				tick ($$) in the box	
1.	calculate the relative atomic mass				
	In a sample of natura mixture of three isot relative abundance respectively was obta mass of silicon in this	opes, ²⁸ Si, ²⁹ S of 92.2%, 4 ined. What is th	Si and ³⁰ Si, with .7% and 3.1%		
2.	calculate empirical data)	formulae (usi	ing combustion		
	When a hydrocarbon i				
	g of CO ₂ and 0.27 g empirical formula of the				
			[Ans: CH ₃]		
3.	calculate molecular	formulae (usi	ng composition		
	by mass)				
	A compound, with mo to contain 32.65% su				
	hydrogen. What is				
	compound?		[Ans: H ₂ SO ₄]		
4.	understand concent	of limiting roa	agant		
4.	understand concept of limiting reagent				
	$Cl_2 + 2NaOH \longrightarrow N$				
	Identify the limiting reagent in an experiment where 30 cm ³ of 0.100 mol dm ⁻³ NaOH was reacted with				
	0.350 g of Cl ₂ .				
			[Ans: NaOH]		
5.	recognise the me conditions	olar volumes	s at different		
	Complete the table.				
		room temperature	standard temperature		
		and pressure	and pressure		
		(r.t.p.) conditions	(s.t.p.) conditions		
	temperature / K				
	pressure / Pa				
	molar volume / dm ³				

6.	understand the Arrhenius theory of acids and bases
	Identify the Arrhenius acid and base in the following equation.
	$CH_3CO_2H + NaOH \longrightarrow CH_3CO_2Na + H_2O$
7.	describe and explain redox processes
	Define oxidation and reduction in terms of
	oxidation reduction
	(a) electron transfer
	(b) change in oxidation number
8.	determine the oxidation number
	Determine the oxidation number of the element underlined in each of the following compounds.
	(a) $\underline{NO_2}^+$ (b) $\underline{ClO_4}^-$ (c) $\underline{MnO_4}^-$ (d) $\underline{NiO}(OH)$
9.	construct half-equations
	Construct half-equation for each of the following reactions.
	 (a) FeO₄²⁻ to Fe²⁺ in acidic medium (b) HNO₃ to N₂O₃ in acidic medium (c) Fe(OH)₃ to Fe(OH)₂ in basic medium
	(d) MnO ₂ to MnO(OH) in basic medium
10.	construct balanced redox equations
	Given the following half–equations, (a) $Cl_2 + 2e \longrightarrow 2Cl^-$ $Cl_2 + 4OH^- \longrightarrow 2ClO^- + 2H_2O + 2e$
	(b) $MnO_4^- + 8H^+ + 5e \longrightarrow Mn^{2+} + 4H_2O$ $C_2O_4^{2-} \longrightarrow 2CO_2 + 2e$
	(c) $H_2S \longrightarrow S + 2H^+ + 2e$ $2BrO_3^- + 12H^+ + 10e \longrightarrow Br_2 + 6H_2O$
	Write a balanced equation for each of the reactions.