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# **Titration 'Tricky Topics'** **Worksheets**

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# Teacher's Introduction

This activity pack is designed to help your students develop skills both during class and in an extracurricular setting. The content covers titration where it occurs in a range of topics across the A Level course.

The resource contains:

- a student introduction
- 12 worksheets, each of which covers one of the skills outlined below
- exam-style questions
- an appendix – a refresher for GCSE topics relating to titrations

Although each worksheet covers a specific section of the A Level resource, the exercises are primarily skills-focused. These skills are all relevant to the A Level Edexcel examinations and are covered as follows:

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|--|---|
| 1. Titration basics: results and uncertainties | 7. Strong acids and bases               |
| 2. Concentrations and dilutions                | 8. Weak acids                           |
| 3. Structured acid–base titration questions    | 9. Buffers                              |
| 4. Unstructured acid–base titration questions  | 10. Structured redox titrations         |
| 5. Back titrations                             | 11. Unstructured redox titrations       |
| 6. Titration curves and choosing indicators    | 12. The most difficult redox titrations |

Each worksheet contains a short section of background information, followed by **worked examples** and then **in-depth questions** to test students' knowledge. The questions are split into **three levels of increasing difficulty**, illustrated using the headings *Prepare your solutions*, *High concentration* and *Drop the base*. You'll find an answers section at the end of the pack.

The pack also includes **full exam-style questions** which closely replicate the style of questions found in an examination paper.

I hope this resource will be useful to your teaching and will help your students not only to tackle an area of chemistry which many find challenging, but also to gain a deeper, more holistic understanding of the topic.

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# Student Introduction

## Acids

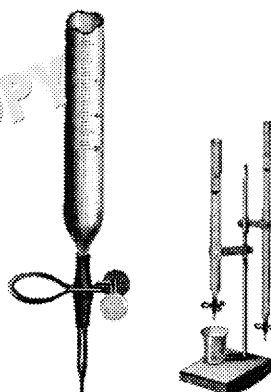
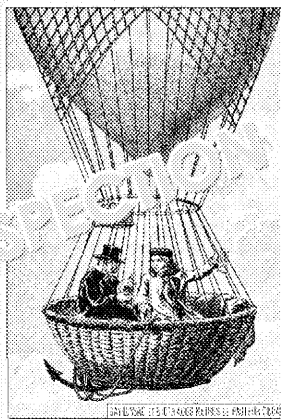
Sour-tasting substances were called 'oxein' by the ancient Greeks. The Greeks didn't know what was responsible for sour tastes were acids. With the Romans, this word became 'acetum' which is vinegar, which tastes sour due to the presence of ethanoic acid. It was also known that acids could change the colour of litmus, a type of moss, and that they could react with metals.

'Acetum' in Latin became 'acid' in English. This word now describes not only the acid in vinegar and citric acid in lemons, but also the acids you'd be better off not touching, like sulfuric acid, for example.

Arrhenius was first to propose that acids, when dissolved in water, produced  $\text{H}^+$  ions. He also noted that alkalis produce solutions of  $\text{OH}^-$  ions, and that acids and alkalis react in water. We still use these definitions today.

## Titration

Titration was first used in eighteenth-century France. Joseph Louis Gay-Lussac designed the side arm, and inexplicably making it so the tap stuck out on the wrong side. Below was another scientist, Biot, in a hot-air balloon in 1814, collecting gases at different altitudes. Biot improved the burette, adding a clamp and tip at the bottom, and then drawing some of the day, the sidearm tap of the burette remains curiously uncomfortable to reach even for chemists.



## Purpose of this pack

Titration is probably among the more difficult practicals you'll do at school. You have to mix the solutions; swirling the flask and operating the tap at the same time always seem to require two hands, and even if you do manage to reach the end without your burette coming out, you've got to have a pretty good handle on the maths to make it all worth it.

This pack will equip you to deal with the really mathsy bits, starting at the basics, through exam questions, and everything you need to know in between:

1. Results tables and uncertainties
2. Concentrations and dilution
3. Structured acid-base titration questions
4. Unstructured acid-base titration questions
5. Back titration
6. Titration curves and choosing indicators
7. Strong acids and bases
8. Weak acids
9. Buffers
10. Structured redox titration questions
11. Unstructured redox titration questions
12. The most difficult redox titration questions

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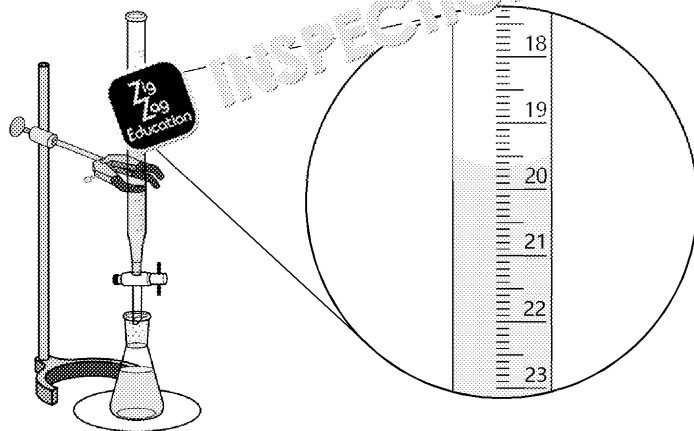
# Titration basics: results and uncertainty

## Key skills

- Reading a burette
- Completing titration results tables
- Calculating mean titres
- Calculating uncertainties

**concordant** – titrations, results  
**titre** – the result  
**uncertainty** –

## Reading the burette



The reading from the bottom of the meniscus is given to 2 d.p.  
 This burette reading is 19.60 cm³ and

## Results tables

Usually, the first titre will be done very quickly to find a rough result. This result is not included in the mean.

After that, the titration is repeated until two concordant results are obtained. This is within 0.1 cm³ of each other.

An average of concordant results is then taken.

$$\text{mean titre} = \frac{\text{sum of all concordant titres}}{\text{number of concordant titres}}$$

## Example table

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm³)	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.00
End volume (cm³)	25.65	23.30	23.50	23.35
Volume of acid (cm³)	25.65	23.25	23.50	23.35

The experiment is repeated to increase accuracy.

End volume – Start volume

Titre 2 is **not concordant** with titres 1 and 3, so it is not included in the mean.  
 Titres 1 and 3 are **concordant** – they are within 0.10 cm³ of each other.

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## Uncertainties

Titration results come with a certain amount of **uncertainty**. The main factor in this uncertainty is the uncertainty due to the burette.

The uncertainty of a burette is  $\pm 0.05 \text{ cm}^3$  per reading. There are two readings in a titre; therefore the total uncertainty in a titre is  $2 \times 0.05 = 0.10 \text{ cm}^3$ .

A reading involves a temperature change (beginning temperature and end volume).



Occasionally, you might also have to factor in the uncertainty from judging an end point. There is an additional uncertainty of  $0.05 \text{ cm}^3$  in every measurement.



## Percentage uncertainties

Percentage uncertainties are a useful way of considering the scale of an uncertainty.  $0.15 \text{ cm}^3$  (if including the uncertainty due to the drop) is not very big if the average volume is  $10 \text{ cm}^3$ , but more important if the average titre is smaller, such as  $8.5 \text{ cm}^3$ .

To calculate percentage uncertainty:

$$\% \text{ uncertainty} = \frac{\text{uncertainty}}{\text{value}} \times 100$$

### Example

- a) Complete the results table.

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	0.00	18.15	0.05	17.35
End volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	18.60	36.25	17.40	34.80
Volume of acid ( $\text{cm}^3$ )				



	Rough
Start volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	0.00
End volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	18.60
Volume of acid ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	18.60

calculate

- b) Calculate the mean titre for the results to 2 decimal places.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mean titre} &= \frac{17.40 + 17.35}{2} \\ &= 17.425 \\ &= 17.43 \end{aligned}$$

- c) Calculate the percentage uncertainty of the mean titre due to the burette readings.

$$\begin{aligned} \% \text{ uncertainty} &= \frac{\text{uncertainty}}{\text{value}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{0.1}{17.43} \times 100 \\ &= 0.574 \% \end{aligned}$$



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## Questions

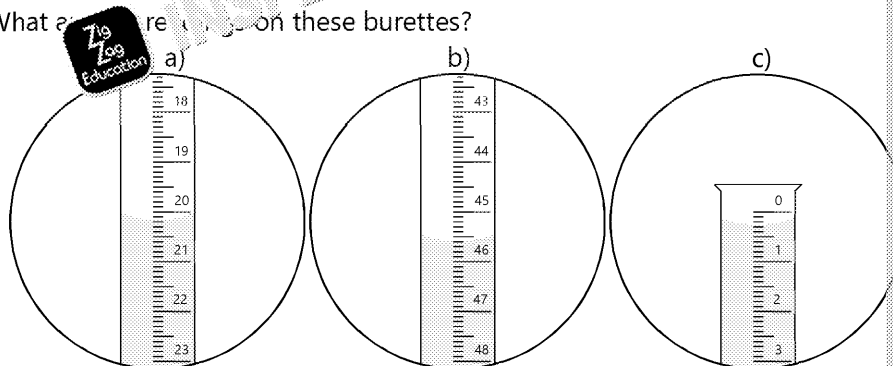


### Prepare your solutions

1. Complete the results table below for a titration experiment.

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.00	12.65	12.60	0.00
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	12.65	24.12	25.70	11.55
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )				

2. What are the readings on these burettes?



### High concentration

3. A titration has the following results:

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.80	0.20	0.50	0.50
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	17.10	17.30	17.30	17.35
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )				

Find the mean titre for this titration.

4. Complete the results table below for a titration experiment, and calculate the mean titre.

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.05	19.50	0.10	19.05
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	19.50		19.05	38.05
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )		18.90		



### Drop the base

5. The table below shows an incomplete set of results for a titration experiment. Calculate the mean titre, taking into account the uncertainty due to making readings (due to the volume of a drop).

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.00	0.10	0.40	0.15
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	22.55	43.10	43.05	43.05
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )				

6. In a titration experiment, a student fills the burette with acid. The burette previously used for this experiment was not cleaned before this use. Explain how this could affect the mean titre.

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# Concentrations and dilutions

## Concentration

Concentrations are used in titrations to calculate the amounts of a substance in a solution. Concentration can be calculated using:

$$\text{concentration} = \frac{\text{moles}}{\text{volume}} \quad \text{and has units}$$

To work out how to make a solution with a specific concentration, you just have to know the concentration and the volume. For example, to make a solution with concentration  $0.2 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  and a volume of  $300 \text{ cm}^3$ :

$$\text{moles} = \text{concentration} \times \text{volume} = 0.2 \times \frac{300}{1000} = 0.06 \text{ mol}$$

## Converting units

In titrations you may be given a volume in  $\text{cm}^3$  with a concentration in  $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$ . You need to convert from  $\text{cm}^3$  to  $\text{dm}^3$ .

$$1 \text{ dm}^3 = 1000 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ and } 1 \text{ cm}^3 = 0.001 \text{ dm}^3$$

To convert a volume from  $\text{cm}^3$  to  $\text{dm}^3$ , **divide** the value by 1000.

$$\text{e.g. } 20 \text{ cm}^3 = \frac{20}{1000} \text{ dm}^3 = 0.020 \text{ dm}^3$$

To convert a volume from  $\text{dm}^3$  to  $\text{cm}^3$ , **multiply** the value by 1000.

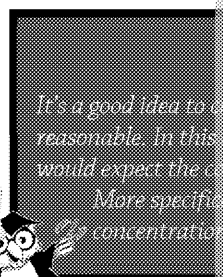
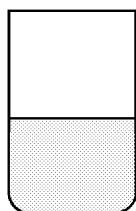
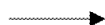
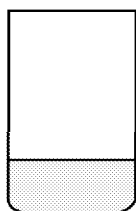
$$\text{e.g. } 4.0 \text{ dm}^3 = 4.0 \times 1000 \text{ cm}^3 = 4000 \text{ cm}^3$$

## Diluting solutions

Diluting a solution by adding more solvent (e.g. distilled water) decreases its concentration. You can calculate the concentration of the diluted solution by dividing the concentration of the original solution by the new volume.

$$\text{new concentration} = \frac{\text{old volume}}{\text{new volume}} \times \text{old concentration}$$

e.g. A solution with concentration  $0.5 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  is diluted with water from  $5 \text{ cm}^3$  to  $10 \text{ cm}^3$ .



$$\text{new concentration} = 0.5 \times \frac{5}{10} = 0.25 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

For more complex dilutions, you may need to convert the concentrations into the same units before you perform the calculation, and then convert back into concentration at the end.

$$\text{concentration} = \frac{\text{moles}}{\text{volume}}$$

$$\text{concentration} =$$

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### Example 1

10 cm<sup>3</sup> of a solution with concentration 0.30 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> is diluted to 0.10 dm<sup>3</sup>. What is the concentration of the new solution?

$$\begin{aligned} 0.1 \text{ dm}^3 &= 100 \text{ cm}^3 \\ \text{Concentration} &= 0.30 \times \frac{10}{100} \\ &= 0.030 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

### Example 2

Citric acid has an M<sub>r</sub> of 192.1. 0.960 g of citric acid was dissolved in 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of distilled water. The solution was then poured into a volumetric flask and made up to 250 cm<sup>3</sup>. Calculate the concentration of citric acid solution in the volumetric flask in mol dm<sup>-3</sup>.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{moles of citric acid} &= \frac{0.960}{192.1} \\ &= 0.00500 \\ \text{volume} &= \frac{250}{1000} \\ &= 0.250 \\ \text{concentration} &= \frac{0.00500}{0.250} \\ &= 0.0200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

## Questions



### Prepare your solutions

- Find the concentration in g dm<sup>-3</sup> of a solution where 3.00 g is dissolved in 500 cm<sup>3</sup>.
- How many moles are in 200 cm<sup>3</sup> of a 0.200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> solution?
- Find the volume required to make a solution with concentration 0.500 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> from 10.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of a 2.00 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> solution.



### High concentration

- A standard solution of NaCl is made with concentration 2.00 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>. 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of this solution is poured into a 250 cm<sup>3</sup> volumetric flask. Distilled water is used to fill the flask. Calculate the concentration of NaCl in the new solution.
- Calculate the total volume of a solution of concentration 0.0125 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> prepared by mixing 100 cm<sup>3</sup> of a 0.400 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> solution with water.
- In a titration, a 2.00 cm<sup>3</sup> sample of Solution A is diluted to 100 cm<sup>3</sup>. The 100 cm<sup>3</sup> sample is then used in a titration, and is found to have a concentration of 0.240 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>. Calculate the concentration of Solution A.



### Drop the base

- A 200 cm<sup>3</sup> solution of KI is made using 3.40 g of solid KI. KI has a relative formula mass of 166. Calculate the concentration of KI in mol dm<sup>-3</sup>.
- 250 cm<sup>3</sup> of an NaCl solution with concentration 1.00 g dm<sup>-3</sup> is diluted to give a solution where an extra 0.500 g of NaCl is added. Calculate the concentration of the new solution.

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# Structured acid-base titration calculations

## Titration calculations

The purpose of a titration is to find the concentration of a solution. Acid-base titration involves a reaction between a solution of known concentration and a solution of unknown concentration.

You will need to use the equation:  $\text{concentration} = \frac{\text{moles}}{\text{volume}}$

And to rearrange it to find moles:  $\text{moles} = \text{concentration} \times \text{volume}$

and to find volume:  $\text{volume} = \frac{\text{moles}}{\text{concentration}}$

You will also need to consider the effects of ratios of reactants in the reaction equation.



ratio: 1 3 1 3

For this reaction, there is a 1 : 3 ratio of acid ( $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$ ) to base ( $\text{NaOH}$ ).

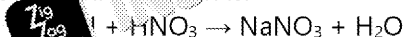
Finally, don't forget to convert your answer to the correct units.

### Example 1

In a titration experiment,  $0.210 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   $\text{NaOH}$  was used to analyse a  $25.0 \text{ cm}^3$  solution of  $\text{HNO}_3$ .

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
End volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	45.80	45.65	45.50	45.35
Volume of acid ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	45.80			

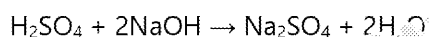
The equation for this reaction is:



- Complete the results table above and calculate the mean titre.
- Calculate the number of moles of  $\text{NaOH}$  in the mean titre.
- Find the mass of  $\text{HNO}_3$  dissolved in the  $25.0 \text{ cm}^3$  solution to an appropriate number of significant figures. ( $M_r \text{ HNO}_3 = 63.0$ )

### Example 2

In a titration experiment, a standard solution of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  was used to find the concentration of a solution of  $\text{NaOH}$ .



$50.0 \text{ cm}^3$  samples of the  $\text{NaOH}$  solution were titrated against  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  with a concentration of  $0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ . The mean titre was  $25.0 \text{ cm}^3$ .

- Find the number of moles of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  in the mean titre.
- Find the number of moles of  $\text{NaOH}$  in each sample.
- Find the concentration in  $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$  of the  $\text{NaOH}$  solution to three significant figures.

a)

Start volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )
End volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )
Volume of acid ( $\text{cm}^3$ )

$$\text{mean titre} = \frac{45.65 + 45.50}{2} = 45.575$$

$$\text{b) mol NaOH} = \frac{45.575}{1000} \times 0.210 = 0.00957$$

$$\text{c) ratio in reaction} = 1 : 3$$

$$\text{mol HNO}_3 = 0.00957 \times 3 = 0.0287$$

$$\text{mass HNO}_3 = 0.0287 \times 63.0 = 1.81 \text{ g}$$

$$\text{mol} = \text{conc} \times \text{vol}$$

$$\text{a) mol H}_2\text{SO}_4 = \frac{25.0}{1000} \times 0.200 = 0.00500$$

$$\text{b) Ratio in reaction} = 1 : 2$$

$$\text{mol NaOH} = 0.00500 \times 2 = 0.0100$$

$$\text{c) conc NaOH} = \frac{0.0100}{0.0500} = 0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

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## Questions

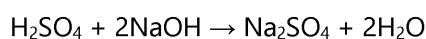


### Prepare your solutions

1. In a titration experiment,  $0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  HCl is put into a burette. The following results are recorded:

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	0.00	1.10	0.10	16.15
End volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	16.25	22.25	16.15	32.25
Volume of acid ( $\text{cm}^3$ )				

- Find the mean titre for this titration.
  - Calculate the moles of HCl used in the mean titre.
2. In a titration experiment, a solution of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  with a concentration of  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  is added to a solution of NaOH.



The following results are recorded:

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	0.00	0.00	23.85	0.00
End volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	24.40	23.85	47.65	23.80
Volume of acid ( $\text{cm}^3$ )				

- Find the mean titre for this titration.
- Calculate the moles of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  used in the mean titre.
- Calculate the number of moles of NaOH which reacted with the  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ .



### High concentration

3. A student performs a titration experiment between HCl and KOH.

$30.0 \text{ cm}^3$  samples of KOH were titrated with  $0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  HCl. The student recorded a mean titre of  $13.70 \text{ cm}^3$ .

- Calculate the moles of HCl in the mean titre.
- Calculate the moles of KOH in the  $30.0 \text{ cm}^3$  samples.
- Calculate the concentration of KOH.

4. A student performs a titration experiment between  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  and KOH.

$80.0 \text{ cm}^3$  samples of KOH were titrated with  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ . The  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  solution was prepared by diluting a  $2.00 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  solution to  $1.00 \text{ dm}^3$ . The student calculated the mean titre of  $13.70 \text{ cm}^3$ .

- Calculate the concentration of the  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  used in the titration.
- Calculate the moles of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  in the mean titre.
- Calculate the moles of KOH in the  $80.0 \text{ cm}^3$  samples.
- Calculate the concentration of KOH.

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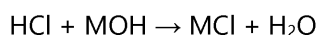
## Drop the base

5. A company wants to use calcium hydroxide to pickle cucumbers. To do this, it needs a solution of calcium hydroxide that has a concentration of at least  $6.00 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$ .

A scientist diluted a solution of  $\text{Ca(OH)}_2$  from  $200 \text{ cm}^3$  to  $1 \text{ dm}^3$ . The scientist then used  $0.206 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  HCl to titrate  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  samples of the solution of  $\text{Ca(OH)}_2$ . The following results were produced:

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	0.05	0.10	0.40	0.20
End volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	1.05	40.55	40.50	40.50
Volume of acid ( $\text{cm}^3$ )				

- Use the results table to find the mean titre.
  - Calculate the moles of  $\text{Ca(OH)}_2$  in the  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  samples to a suitable number of significant figures.
  - Calculate the concentration of  $\text{Ca(OH)}_2$  in the original  $200 \text{ cm}^3$  solution in  $\text{g dm}^{-3}$ .
  - Determine whether this sample of calcium hydroxide is concentrated enough for pickling cucumbers.
6. A titration experiment involves the following reaction of a base, MOH, with HCl:



$236.4 \text{ mg}$  of MOH was dissolved in  $200.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of water.  $20.0 \text{ cm}^3$  samples of the solution were taken, and  $100 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.245 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  HCl. The following results table was produced:

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.40
End volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	18.15	17.55	17.70	17.65
Volume of acid ( $\text{cm}^3$ )				

- Calculate the mean titre and determine the number of moles of HCl in the mean titre.
- Calculate the number of moles of MOH in the  $20.0 \text{ cm}^3$  samples, and then determine the concentration of MOH to an appropriate number of significant figures.

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# Unstructured acid-base titration calculations

## Titration Calculations

Titration calculations can be used to find out a number of different things, such as:

- the concentration of an unknown solution
- the mass of compound in an unknown substance
- the  $M_r$  of a compound / the identity of a compound from a list using  $M_r$

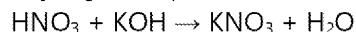
The steps that lead up to answers to these questions are usually very similar, and you will need to be able to carry them out comfortably under exam conditions. The steps are labelled on the two examples below.

1. Work out the **balanced equation** for the reaction that happens in the titration.
2. Work out the **moles** in the mean titre.
3. Use the mole **ratio** to work out the moles in the solution being titrated.
4. Work out the moles in the **original** solution, i.e. before it was diluted or samples were taken for titration.
5. **Answer** the question.

### Example 1

In a titration experiment, a standard solution of  $\text{HNO}_3$  was used to find the concentration of a solution of  $\text{KOH}$ .

**Step 1** (given in question)



20.0  $\text{cm}^3$  samples of the  $\text{NaOH}$  solution were titrated against  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  with a concentration of 0.150  $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$ . The mean titre was 18.95  $\text{cm}^3$ .

Find the concentration of the  $\text{NaOH}$  solution to three significant figures.

**Step 2**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol HNO}_3 &= 0.150 \times \frac{18.95}{1000} \\ &= 0.0028425 \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

**Step 3**

balanced reaction  $\text{HNO}_3 : \text{NaOH}$

**Step 4**

$$\text{mol KOH} = 0.0028425$$

**Step 5**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{conc KOH} &= 0.0028425 \div 0.0200 \\ &= 0.142125 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \\ &\quad \swarrow \\ &\quad 3 \text{ s.f.} \end{aligned}$$

### Example 2

Compound A is one of the monoprotic carboxylic acids from the list below:

- methanoic acid  $\text{HCOOH}$
- ethanoic acid  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$
- propanoic acid  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$
- butanoic acid  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$

5760 mg of Compound A is mixed with water and made up to 500.0  $\text{cm}^3$ . 50.0  $\text{cm}^3$  samples of the solution are titrated against 0.200  $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$   $\text{NaOH}$ .

The mean titre of  $\text{NaOH}$  is 5.76  $\text{cm}^3$ . Use the results to identify Compound A.

**Step 2**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{moles NaOH} &= 0.200 \times \frac{5.76}{1000} \\ &= 0.00655 \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

**Step 3**

monoprotic, so 1 : 1 ratio

$$n(\text{A}) \text{ in } 25 \text{ cm}^3 = 0.00655 \text{ mol}$$

$$\begin{aligned} n(\text{A}) \text{ in } 500 \text{ cm}^3 &= 0.00655 \times 20 \\ &= 0.0655 \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

**Step 4**

$$\begin{aligned} M_r \text{ A} &= \frac{5760}{0.0655} \\ &= 87.9 \end{aligned}$$

**Step 5**

Compound A is butanoic acid

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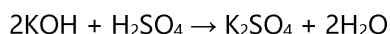
### Prepare your solutions

1. 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of NaOH with unknown concentration were titrated against 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> HCl, giving the following results. Calculate the concentration of NaOH.



	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.00	18.70	0.65	17.65
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	20.70	35.45	17.65	34.70
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )				

2. 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of KOH with concentration 0.130 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> were titrated with 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, giving the following results. Calculate the concentration of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>.

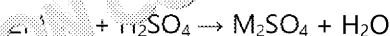


	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.45	0.55	0.00	0.40
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	32.55	31.50	31.55	31.35
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )				



### High concentration

3. 1.37 g of an unknown hydroxide MOH is dissolved in water and made up to 100 cm<sup>3</sup>. 10.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of this solution is titrated against 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, giving a mean titre of 30.58 cm<sup>3</sup>. Use this to calculate the relative formula mass of the hydroxide MOH.



4. The purity of a solid sample of K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> is tested by titration. 9.33 g of the sample is dissolved in water and made up to 250 cm<sup>3</sup>. 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of this solution are titrated with 0.125 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> HCl, giving the following results.

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.55	0.30	0.05	0.15
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	41.90	41.10	41.10	41.05
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )				

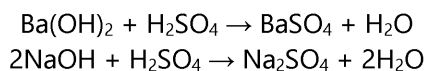
Write a balanced equation for the reaction between HCl and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, which produces two products, and use the results to find the purity of the solid sample.

$$\text{percentage purity} = \frac{\text{mass of K}_2\text{CO}_3}{\text{mass of sample}} \times 100$$



### Drop the base

5. Two 10 cm<sup>3</sup> solutions of KOH, Solution A and Solution B, are mixed together in a volumetric flask. Solution A has a concentration of 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>, and Solution B has a concentration of 0.200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>. 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of the mixture are titrated with 0.200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, giving a mean titre of 21.80 cm<sup>3</sup>. Write the symbol equation for this reaction, and use it to calculate the concentration of Solution B.
6. A 5.34 g sample contains 2.86 g of Ba(OH)<sub>2</sub>, an unknown mass of NaOH, and an impurity. The sample is dissolved in water and made up to 250 cm<sup>3</sup> in a volumetric flask. 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of this solution are titrated with 0.150 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, giving a mean titre of 28.85 cm<sup>3</sup>.



Find the mass of the unreactive impurity in the sample in g.

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# 'Back' titrations

## 'Back' titration

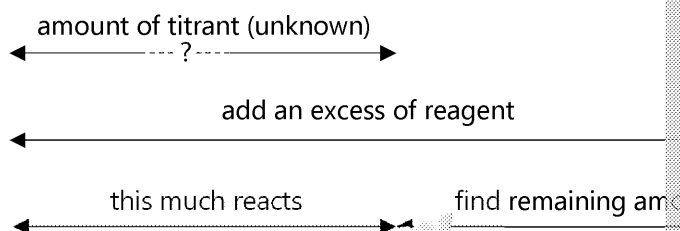
A back titration is a type of titration used to investigate substances which are not very soluble, or when a reaction would be too slow to study using titration. For example, to work out the amount of calcium carbonate in a rock, we cannot use a normal titration because calcium carbonate does not dissolve in water. Instead we would react the calcium carbonate with an excess of acid first, in a back titration.

There are normally two steps to the back titration:

1. An **excess** of acid or alkali is added so that all of the compound being analysed reacts.
2. The amount of acid/alkali remaining is then found using titration.

The amount of titrant is calculated by:

- finding out how much acid/alkali is remaining and using this value to calculate the amount of the original substance
- using how much acid/alkali was used up to work out how much of the unknown original solution to react with it

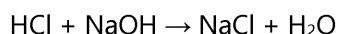


### Example 1

A 132 mg solid sample of a carbonate ( $\text{MCO}_3$ ), is added to  $50.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $\text{HCl}$  of concentration  $0.120 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ . The reaction is:



The resulting solution is analysed with  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ NaOH}$ , giving a mean titre of  $28.68 \text{ cm}^3$ .



Determine the identity of the carbonate.

**Step 1:** find the moles of  $\text{NaOH}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol NaOH} &= 0.100 \times \frac{28.68}{1000} \\ &= 0.002868 \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{mol HCl} = 0.002868$$

**Step 2:** calculate the moles of  $\text{HCl}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{total mol HCl} &= 0.120 \times \frac{50}{1000} \\ &= 0.00600 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol HCl used} &= 0.00600 - 0.002868 \\ &= 0.003132 \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

**Step 3:** calculate the moles of  $\text{MCO}_3$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol MCO}_3 &= \frac{0.003132}{2} \\ &= 0.001566 \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

**Step 4:** answer the question

$$\begin{aligned} M_r \text{ of MCO}_3 &= \frac{132}{0.001566} \\ &= 84.3 \\ A_r \text{ of M} &= 84.3 - 12 \\ \text{MCO}_3 &\text{ is MgCO}_3 \end{aligned}$$

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## Questions

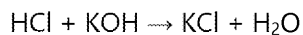


### Prepare your solutions

1. A 0.782 g sample of chalk contains  $\text{CaCO}_3$  and some unreactive impurities. The solution of  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  HCl.



50.0  $\text{cm}^3$  samples of the resulting solution are titrated with  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  KOH. 17.88  $\text{cm}^3$ .



- Calculate the moles of KOH in the mean titre.
  - Calculate the moles of HCl remaining in the 250  $\text{cm}^3$  solution after the  $\text{CaCO}_3$  reaction.
  - Calculate the moles of HCl which reacted with the  $\text{CaCO}_3$ .
  - Calculate the moles of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  added to the acid.
  - Calculate the mass of calcium carbonate present in the rock sample.
2. Ammonia is a volatile base and cannot be titrated against directly. A back titration is used to determine the number of moles of ammonia in a 3.00  $\text{dm}^3$  solution.

A 30.0  $\text{cm}^3$  sample of the 3.00  $\text{dm}^3$  solution reacts with 0.0250 mol of HCl and distilled water.



20.0  $\text{cm}^3$  samples of the resulting solution are titrated against  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  KOH. 32.45  $\text{cm}^3$ .

- Calculate the moles of KOH in the mean titre.
- From the amount of KOH reacted, calculate the moles of HCl remaining in the 20.0  $\text{cm}^3$  sample after reaction with  $\text{NH}_3$ .
- Calculate the moles of HCl which reacted with the  $\text{NH}_3$ .
- Calculate the moles of ammonia in the 3.00  $\text{dm}^3$  solution.

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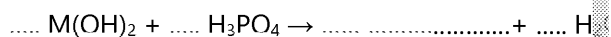






## High concentration

3. 1.15 g of a pure solid sample of a hydroxide with the formula  $M(OH)_2$  is placed in 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>  $H_3PO_4$  and diluted to 250 cm<sup>3</sup>.



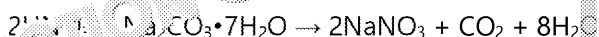
25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of the resulting solution are titrated against KOH with concentrated KOH solution.



The following results are recorded.

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.55	0.15	0.05	0.20
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	40.00	39.00	38.95	39.00
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )				

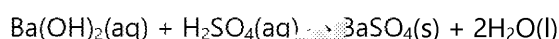
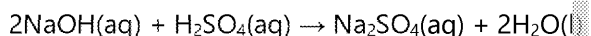
- Balance the equation for the reaction between  $M(OH)_2$  and  $H_3PO_4$ .
  - From the mean titre, find the amount in moles of  $H_3PO_4$  in 250 cm<sup>3</sup> after reaction.
  - Determine the formula of the salt  $M(OH)_2$ .
4. A pure solid is thought to be sodium carbonate heptahydrate,  $Na_2CO_3 \cdot 7H_2O$ . Determine the relative formula mass of the salt by reacting the solid sodium carbonate with a standard solution of 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>  $HNO_3$  and then titrating the resulting solution with a standard solution of 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>  $HNO_3$ . Outline, with brief practical details, an experiment to determine the relative formula mass of the solid, including any calculations you would perform. You are provided with 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>  $HNO_3$ .



## Drop the acid

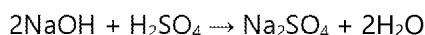
5. An insoluble solid salt has the formula  $MgCO_3 \cdot xH_2O$ , where  $x$  is a whole number. Determine the relative formula mass of the salt. A crucible is placed on a balance and weighed. The mass is 142.34 g. The salt is placed in the crucible, and the combined mass of the crucible and salt is 150.00 g. This mass of  $MgCO_3 \cdot xH_2O$  is placed in 150.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.240 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>  $HCl$  and reacted. The solution is diluted to 250 cm<sup>3</sup>, and 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples are titrated with 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>  $NaOH$  giving a mean titre of 20.08 cm<sup>3</sup>. Calculate the value of  $x$ .

6. A 200 cm<sup>3</sup> solution contains a mixture of  $Ba(OH)_2$  and  $NaOH$ . 250.0 cm<sup>3</sup>  $H_2SO_4$  of 0.200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> is added so that  $H_2SO_4$  is in excess of both reagents. The following reactions take place:



$BaSO_4$  is a precipitate and is removed by filtration. The filtrate is dried and weighed to be 10.0 g.

The remaining solution is made up to 500 cm<sup>3</sup>, and 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples are titrated with 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>  $HCl$  giving a mean titre of 41.30 cm<sup>3</sup>.



Calculate the concentration of  $NaOH$  in the 200 cm<sup>3</sup> solution in mol dm<sup>-3</sup>.

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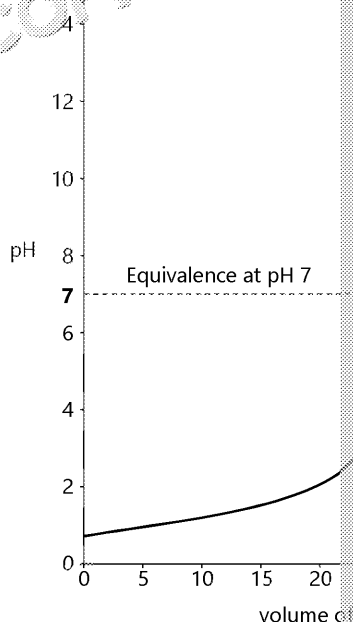
# Titration curves / indicators

## Titration curves

Titration curves show how pH changes as one reagent is added to the other in a reaction. The graph shows a simple neutralisation curve for a titration in which  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  NaOH is added to  $25 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  HCl.

### Key points

- The graph represents the change in pH as NaOH is added to HCl.
- The solution starts acidic (low pH) and becomes more alkaline (high pH).
- At the equivalence point, a small volume of NaOH added leads to a large change in pH. This is where the indicator changes colour.
- The equivalence point is the centre of the steep vertical section of the graph.
- For this titration, the acid and base react in a 1 : 1 ratio, and have equal concentration, so the equivalence point occurs when the volumes are equal ( $25 \text{ cm}^3$ ).

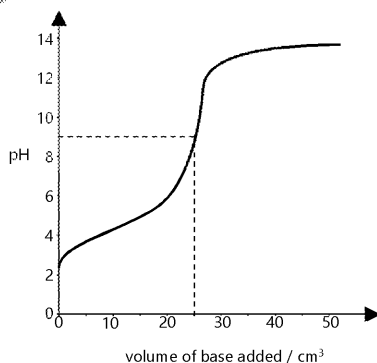
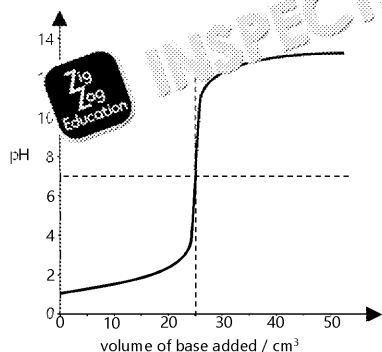


## Strong and weak acids and bases

### strong acid

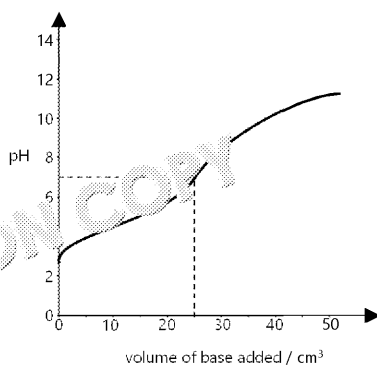
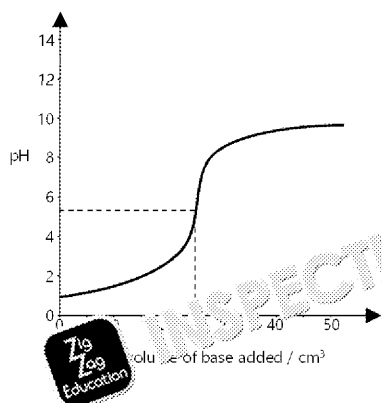
### weak acid

strong base



Choice of indicator depends on the pH of the equivalence point.

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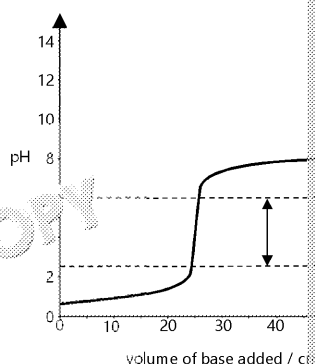
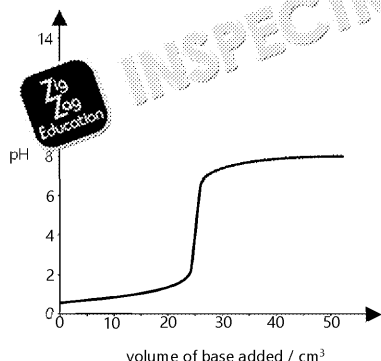
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### Example 1

Choose a suitable indicator from the list below for the following graph.

Indicator	pH range
methyl orange	3.1–4.4
bromothymol blue	6.0–7.6
phenolphthalein	8.3–10.0



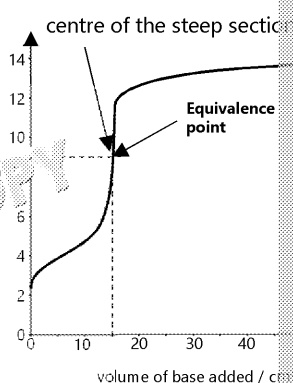
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### Example 2

Draw a pH curve for 0.200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> NaOH, a strong base, added to 30 cm<sup>3</sup> 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> CH<sub>3</sub>COOH, a weak acid.

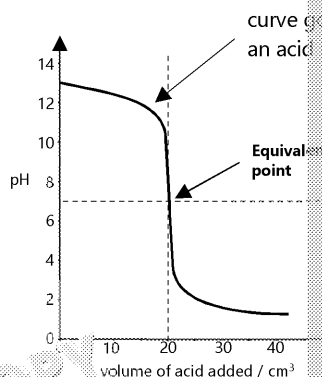
Label the equivalence point.



### Example 3

Draw a pH curve for 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> HCl, a strong acid, added to 20 cm<sup>3</sup> 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> NaOH, a strong base.

Label the equivalence point.



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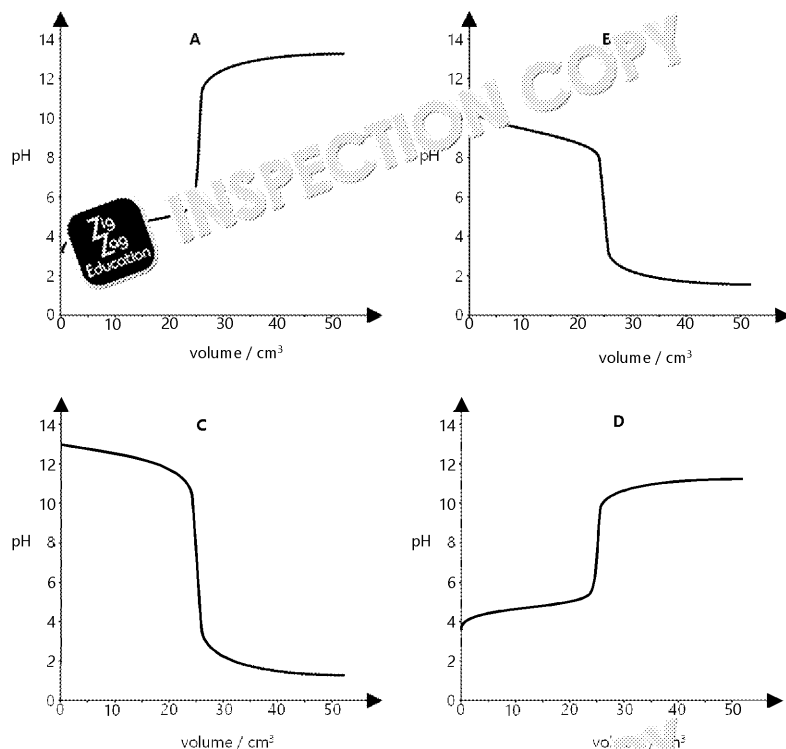


## Questions



### Prepare your solutions

Here are four titration curves. All reagents have a concentration of  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$



- Write the letter of the curve produced by
  - adding hydrobromic acid to  $25 \text{ cm}^3$  potassium hydroxide
  - adding ammonia to  $25 \text{ cm}^3$  propanoic acid
  - adding sodium hydroxide to  $25 \text{ cm}^3$  ethanoic acid
- This table shows information about some pH indicators which could be used

Indicator	pH range	Low pH colour
bromothymol blue	6.0–7.6	yellow
phenolphthalein	8.3–10.0	colourless
alizarine yellow	10.1–12.0	yellow
bromocresol green	3.8–5.4	yellow
thymolphthalein	9.3–10.5	colourless

- Which indicator(s) could be used to track the titration represented by curve A?
- Which indicator could be used to track the titration represented by curve B?
- Identify the colour change for thymolphthalein during the titration represented by curve C.



### High concentration

- A student has a solution with a pH meter and finds it has a pH of 8.2. The student adds phenolphthalein, bromocresol green and thymolphthalein. Assume that none of the indicators are present in the solution and that the pH of the solution does not change. Use the table above to identify the indicator(s) that would be used to track the titration.
- Sketch a titration curve for  $50 \text{ cm}^3$   $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  HCl added to  $35 \text{ cm}^3$   $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  NaOH.

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### Drop the base

5. Sketch the titration curve for 50 cm<sup>3</sup> 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> NH<sub>3</sub> added to 10 cm<sup>3</sup> 0.20 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> HCl.
6. A student is performing a series of titrations of the acids and bases shown in the table below.

Acid		Base	
weak	strong	weak	strong
CH <sub>3</sub> COOH	HCl	CH <sub>3</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>	KOH

The following indicators are available:



Indicator	pH range
methyl orange	3.1–4.4
bromothymol blue	6.0–7.6
phenolphthalein	8.3–10.0

For the following titrations, select the indicators which would give a precise end-point.

- a) CH<sub>3</sub>COOH titrated against KOH
- b) CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>2</sub> titrated against HBr
- c) HBr titrated against KOH



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# Strong acids and bases

## Brønsted-Lowry

According to the Brønsted-Lowry theory of acids and bases:

Acid	Base
proton donor	proton acceptor
$HA \rightleftharpoons H^+ + A^-$	$B + H_2O \rightleftharpoons BH^+ + OH^-$

## Strong acids

Strong acids are acids which completely ionise in solution. This means we can write **irreversibly**. The concentration of  $H^+$  ions can be found from the concentration of the acid.

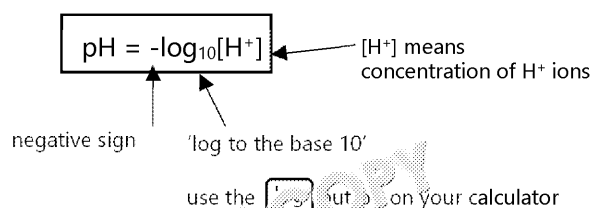
- $HCl$  releases one  $H^+$  ion, so  $[H^+] = [HCl]$   $HCl \rightarrow H^+ + Cl^-$
- $H_2SO_4$  releases two  $H^+$  ions, so  $[H^+] = 2 \times [H_2SO_4]$   $H_2SO_4 \rightarrow 2H^+ + SO_4^{2-}$

## pH

pH is a way of measuring the concentration of  $H^+$  ions.

You can find  $[H^+]$  from pH using:

$$[H^+] = 10^{-pH}$$



## Strong bases

Bases are in equilibrium:  $HA + H_2O \rightleftharpoons BH^+ + OH^-$   
 To calculate  $[H^+]$  for a base, first find  $[OH^-]$ .  
 To do this you have to use  $K_w$ , the ionic product of water.

At room temperature:

$$K_w = [H^+] \times [OH^-] = 1.00 \times 10^{-14}$$

To calculate  $[H^+]$ , rearrange this equation:  $[H^+] = \frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{[OH^-]}$

The pH can be calculated in the usual way:  $pH = -\log_{10}[H^+]$

### Example 1

Find the pH of a solution of  $H_3PO_4$  with concentration  $0.00120 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} [H^+] &= 3 \times 0.00120 \\ &= 0.00360 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \\ pH &= -\log_{10}(0.00360) \\ &= 2.44 \end{aligned}$$

### Example 2

Find the concentration of a solution of  $HCl$  with pH 1.3.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{conc} &= 10^{-1.3} \\ &= 0.0501 \end{aligned}$$

### Example 3

Find the pH of a solution of  $NaOH$  with concentration  $0.00670 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  at room temperature. ( $K_w = 1.0 \times 10^{-14}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} [OH^-] &= 0.00670 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \\ [H^+] &= \frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{0.00670} \\ &= 1.49 \times 10^{-12} \\ pH &= -\log_{10}(1.49 \times 10^{-12}) \\ &= 11.8 \end{aligned}$$

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## Questions



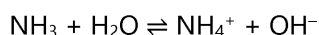
### Prepare your solutions

- For the following solutions, convert between pH and concentration.
  - HCl concentration  $0.00100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
  - HBr pH 2.30
  - $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  concentration  $0.000400 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
- Find the pH of the following strong bases using the ionic product of water  $K_w$ .
  - $\text{NaOH}$  concentration  $0.00160 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
  - $\text{KOH}$  concentration  $0.000810 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
  - $\text{Ca(OH)}_2$  concentration  $0.0000451 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$



### High concentration

- Ammonia,  $\text{NH}_3$ , is added to water to form a solution for use in a titration. During this step, the following equilibrium occurs:



The pH of the solution for titrating is found to be 11.7.

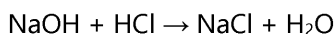
Calculate the concentration of  $\text{OH}^-$  ions in the solution using the ionic product  $K_w = 1.0 \times 10^{-14} \text{ mol}^2 \text{ dm}^{-6}$ .

- A solution of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  is found by titration to have a concentration of  $0.000520 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ . Calculate the concentration of  $\text{OH}^-$  ions in the solution.



### Drop calculations

- In a titration experiment,  $500 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.0100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  HCl is added to  $150 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.0200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  NaOH. In this step, the following reaction occurs:



By working out the concentration of either the  $\text{H}^+$  ions or the  $\text{OH}^-$  ions left over, calculate the pH of the resulting solution.

- At  $10^\circ\text{C}$ , the ionic product of water is  $2.88 \times 10^{-15}$ .
  - Use a calculation to show whether pH 7 is acidic, neutral or alkaline at  $10^\circ\text{C}$ .
  - $40.0 \text{ cm}^3$   $0.00420 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  KOH is diluted to  $800 \text{ cm}^3$  at  $10^\circ\text{C}$ . Calculate the pH of the resulting solution at  $10^\circ\text{C}$  to 2 d.p.

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# Weak acids

## Weak acids

Acids are substances that dissociate to form  $H^+$  ions. Whereas strong acids dissociate completely. Many organic acids, e.g. carboxylic acids, are weak acids.



## $K_a$

Each acid has a quantity called its  $K_a$  which is a way of measuring the strength of an acid. The more it dissociates, the higher the  $K_a$  value.

For an acid  $HA \rightleftharpoons H^+ + A^-$

$K_a$  can be calculated as:

When the acid  $HA$  dissociates, equal numbers of  $A^-$  and  $H^+$  ions are in the solution.

$$[A^-] = [H^+]$$

and so:

$$K_a = \frac{[H^+]^2}{[HA]} \quad \text{which can be used to calculate } K_a$$

The stronger an acid, the more of it dissociates to form  $H^+$ , and, therefore, the higher the  $K_a$  value.

## $pK_a$

$K_a$  values are often extremely small or extremely large numbers, so  $K_a$  values are converted to  **$pK_a$  values** to make them more manageable.

$pK_a$  is calculated as:

$$pK_a = -\log_{10}(K_a)$$

Stronger acids have lower (or even negative)  $pK_a$  values.

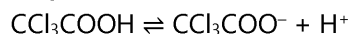
### Example 1

Phenol has a  $pK_a$  value of 9.80. Calculate the  $K_a$  of phenol.

$$\begin{aligned} K_a &= 10^{-pK_a} \\ &= 10^{-9.8} \\ &= 1.6 \times 10^{-10} \end{aligned}$$

### Example 2

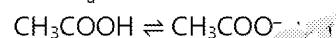
$CCl_3COOH$  has a  $pK_a$  value of 0.65. Find the concentration of  $H^+$  ions in a  $0.0500 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  solution of  $CCl_3COOH$ .



$$\begin{aligned} K_a &= 10^{-pK_a} \\ &= 10^{-0.65} \\ &= 0.224 \\ K_a &= \frac{[CCl_3COO^-][H^+]}{[CCl_3COOH]} \\ [H^+] &= [CCl_3COO^-], \text{ so} \\ K_a &= \frac{[H^+]^2}{[CCl_3COOH]} \\ [H^+] &= \sqrt{[CCl_3COOH] \times K_a} \\ &= \sqrt{0.05 \times 0.224} \\ &= 0.110 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

### Example 2

$CH_3COOH$  has a  $K_a$  value of  $1.58 \times 10^{-5}$ .



Calculate the pH of a  $0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  solution of  $CH_3COOH$ .

$$\begin{aligned} K_a &= \frac{[CH_3COO^-][H^+]}{[CH_3COOH]} \\ [H^+] &= [CH_3COO^-], \text{ so} \\ K_a &= \frac{[H^+]^2}{[CH_3COOH]} \\ [H^+] &= \sqrt{[CH_3COOH] \times K_a} \\ &= \sqrt{0.2 \times 1.58 \times 10^{-5}} \\ &= 1.78 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \\ pH &= -\log_{10}(1.78) \\ &= -0.25 \end{aligned}$$

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## Questions



### Prepare your solutions

- Convert these values:
  - $K_a = 1.42 \times 10^{-5}$  to  $pK_a$
  - $K_a = 4.98 \times 10^{-7}$  to  $pK_a$
  - $pK_a = 1.03$  to  $K_a$
  - $pK_a = 3.12$  to  $K_a$
- HSCN is a weak acid with a  $pK_a$  of 1.1.
  - Write an expression for the  $K_a$  of HSCN.
  - Calculate the pH of  $0.0108 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  HSCN.



### High concentration

- $\text{HNO}_2$  is a weak acid with a  $pK_a$  of 3.29.  
A solution of  $\text{HNO}_2$  is found to have a concentration of  $0.0452 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .  
Calculate the concentration of  $\text{NO}_2^-$  ions in a solution.
- A  $0.0230 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  solution of phenol,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{OH}$ , has a pH of 5.79. Calculate the



### Drop the base

- $pK_a$  values are often given for acids dissolved in water.  $pK_a$  can also be given for acids dissolved in other solvents, for example DMSO.

The table below shows the  $pK_a$  values of ethanoic acid,  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ , in two solvents.

$pK_a$ in water	$pK_a$ in DMSO
4.76	12.3

- Explain what it means that ethanoic acid has a higher  $pK_a$  in DMSO than in water.
  - What concentration of ethanoic acid in water would have the same pH as ethanoic acid dissolved in DMSO?
- The  $pK_a$  of water,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , can be calculated in the same way as that of any other acid.
    - Write an expression for the  $K_a$  of water.
    - $1 \text{ dm}^3$  of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  contains 1000 g of water. Determine the value of  $[\text{H}_2\text{O}]$  given the formula mass of 18.
    - Calculate the  $pK_a$  of water using the concentration of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  along with  $[\text{H}^+]$  and the product of water  $[\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-14}$ .

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# Buffers

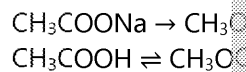
## Buffers

Buffers are solutions which can **minimise** the change in pH when a **small amount**

### Forming buffers

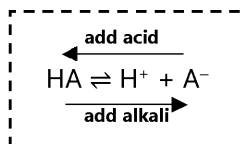
Buffers are formed by combining a weak acid with a salt of the weak acid. For example, a buffer could be formed by adding sodium ethanoate to ethanoic acid.

Sodium ethanoate salt dissociates in solution:  
Ethanoic acid is in equilibrium:



### How buffers minimise pH changes

Buffers minimise pH changes when  $\text{H}^+$  or  $\text{OH}^-$  ions are added through shifts in the base equilibrium:



For the examples of  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}/\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-$  buffer above:

#### When $\text{H}^+$ ions are added

- The concentration of  $\text{H}^+$  increases.
- The equilibrium  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} \rightleftharpoons \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^- + \text{H}^+$  shifts to the left and  $[\text{H}^+]$  goes back down.
- The pH change is minimised.

#### When $\text{OH}^-$ ions are added

- $\text{OH}^-$  reacts with  $\text{H}^+$ .
- The concentration of  $\text{H}^+$  decreases.
- The position of equilibrium shifts to the right and  $[\text{H}^+]$  goes back up.
- The pH change is minimised.

### Buffer calculations

Buffer calculations often involve finding the pH of a buffer solution. It is important to rearrange the formula correctly.

For this, use the formula:

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]}$$

Which rearranges to:

$$[\text{H}^+] = K_a \times \frac{[\text{HA}]}{[\text{A}^-]}$$

Once you have calculated  $[\text{H}^+]$ , you can calculate pH in the usual way, using  $-\log_{10}[\text{H}^+]$ .

### Example 1

A 1 dm<sup>3</sup> buffer solution is formed by mixing 400 cm<sup>3</sup> 0.175 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> CH<sub>2</sub>ClCOOH (acid) with 600 cm<sup>3</sup> 0.200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> CH<sub>2</sub>ClCOONa (salt).

CH<sub>2</sub>ClCOOH has a  $K_a$  of  $1.380 \times 10^{-3}$ . Calculate the pH of the buffer solution.

First, you need to calculate the concentrations of the acid and the salt when they have been mixed.

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{HA}] &= \frac{0.175 \times 400}{1000} \\ &= 0.0700 \\ [\text{A}^-] &= \frac{0.200 \times 600}{1000} \\ &= 0.120 \\ [\text{H}^+] &= 1.380 \times 10^{-3} \times \frac{0.0700}{0.120} \\ &= 8.05 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \\ \text{pH} &= 3.09 \end{aligned}$$

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### Example 2

A scientist wants to make a buffer with a pH of 3.60. Calculate the mass of  $\text{NaNO}_2$  which could be added to a  $150 \text{ cm}^3$   $0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  solution of  $\text{HNO}_2$ .  $\text{HNO}_2$  has a  $\text{pK}_a$  of 3.29.

The first step is to recognise from the  $\text{NaNO}_2$  is  $\text{A}^-$ .

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{A}^-] &= K_a \times \frac{[\text{HA}]}{[\text{H}^+]} \\ K_a &= 10^{-3.29} \\ &= 5.129 \times 10^{-4} \\ [\text{H}_2\text{O}] &= 0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \\ [\text{H}^+] &= 10^{-3.6} \\ &= 2.512 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \\ [\text{A}^-] &= 5.129 \times 10^{-4} \times \frac{0.200}{2.512 \times 10^{-4}} \\ &= 0.408 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \\ \text{mol A}^- &= 0.408 \times \frac{150}{1000} \\ &= 0.0613 \text{ mol} \\ \text{mass HNO}_2 &= 0.0613 \times 69 \\ &= 4.22 \text{ g} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{mol HNO}_2 = \text{mol A}^-$$

### Questions



#### Prepare your solutions

- Suggest a salt that could be used to form a buffer with the following weak acids.
  - Methanoic acid,  $\text{CHOOH}$
  - $\text{HCN}$
- A buffer solution is created by mixing a solution of  $\text{CF}_3\text{COOH}$  with  $\text{CF}_3\text{COONa}$ . the buffer equilibrium is shown. This buffer system minimises changes in pH when
  - a small amount of  $\text{HCl}$  is added
  - a small amount of  $\text{NaOH}$  is added



#### High concentration

- A  $1.00 \text{ dm}^3$  buffer solution is formed by mixing  $200 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.150 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  with  $0.800 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   $\text{HS}^-$ .  
  
 $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  has a  $\text{pK}_a$  of 7.04. Calculate the pH of the buffer solution.
- A small amount of ammonia,  $\text{NH}_3$ , is added to an excess of hydrofluoric acid,  $\text{HF}$ , to form a buffer which regulates pH when an acid or an alkali is added.
- Lactic acid,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COOH}$ , has a  $\text{pK}_a$  of 3.86. A mass of lactic acid is added to a solution of  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   $\text{NaCH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COO}$ .
  - Explain why a buffer forms.
  - Find the mass of lactic acid needed to create a buffer solution with a pH of 3.86.



#### Drop the base

- A buffer is formed between  $600 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.350 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   $\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{NHCl}$   $\text{pK}_a$  5.25 and a solution containing its conjugate base. Find the mass of the conjugate base required to create a buffer system to 5.60.

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# Structured redox titration

## Redox

Redox reactions occur when one species' oxidation number (also known as oxidation state) increases and another species' oxidation number decreases.

This worksheet is for understanding redox reactions.

An increase in oxidation number is called **oxidation**. A species which causes oxidation is called an **oxidising agent**. A species which has a reduction in oxidation number is **reduced**. Something that causes reduction is called a **reducing agent**.

e.g.  $2\text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{Cu} \rightarrow 2\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{Cu}^{2+}$

$\text{Fe}^{3+}$  goes from  $3+ \rightarrow 2+$  so is reduced and is, therefore, an oxidising agent.

$\text{Cu}$  goes from  $0 \rightarrow 2+$  so is oxidised and is, therefore, a reducing agent.

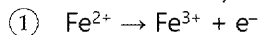
## Redox titrations

Redox titrations use redox reactions rather than acid-base neutralisations. Because they involve a colour change, many redox titrations don't need an indicator.

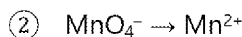
Whereas equations for neutralisation reactions used in acid-base titrations are usually simple, redox reactions can be quite complex.

## Balancing redox equations

Firstly, the individual half-equations must be balanced, and then the equations combined. e.g.



This equation is balanced.

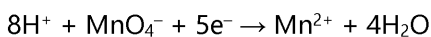


This equation is not balanced.

- **Step 1: Balance the atoms** – use  $\text{H}^+/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (acid) or  $\text{OH}^-/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  if you need to.

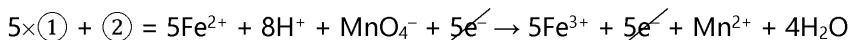


- **Step 2: Balance the charges.**

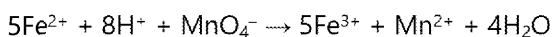


- **Step 3: Combine the two equations to make a balanced redox equation.**

Combine the reactions so that the electrons balance on each side:



Cancel the electrons (sometimes you will have to cancel other species such as  $\text{H}^+$  or  $\text{OH}^-$ ):



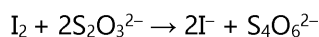
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### Example 1

Iodine ( $I_2$ ) and thiosulfate ( $S_2O_3^{2-}$ ) react together in the following reaction:



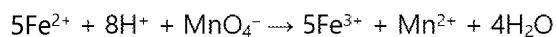
50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of an iodine solution were titrated with 0.120 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> thiosulfate solution. The mean titre was 26.78 cm<sup>3</sup>.

- Calculate the number of moles of thiosulfate used in the mean titre.
- Calculate the number of moles of iodine required to react with this amount of thiosulfate.
- Calculate the concentration of iodine in the original solution.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \text{mol } S_2O_3^{2-} &= \frac{26.78}{1000} \times 0.120 \\ &= 0.0032136 \\ \text{b) } \text{mol } I_2 &= 0.0016068 \\ &= 0.001607 \\ \text{c) } \text{conc } I_2 &= \frac{0.001607}{50.0} \\ &= 0.003214 \end{aligned}$$

### Example 2

A lump of soluble iron(II) salt was dissolved in 250 cm<sup>3</sup> water, and 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples were taken and titrated with 0.150 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>  $MnO_4^-$  solution. The titres recorded were 34.55, 34.50 and 34.70 cm<sup>3</sup>.



- Use the concordant titres to calculate the mean volume of  $MnO_4^-$  in cm<sup>3</sup>.
- Use the mean titre to calculate the moles of  $MnO_4^-$  in the titration.
- Calculate the moles of  $Fe^{2+}$  titrated.
- Calculate the moles of  $Fe^{2+}$  in the original lump of salt.
- Calculate the total mass of iron in the original  $Fe^{2+}$  salt.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \text{vol } MnO_4^- &= \frac{34.55 + 34.50 + 34.70}{3} \\ &= 34.58 \text{ cm}^3 \\ \text{b) } \text{mol } MnO_4^- &= 0.150 \times \frac{34.58}{1000} \\ &= 0.005187 \\ \text{c) } \text{1 : 5 ratio } MnO_4^- : Fe^{2+} \\ \text{so mol Fe} &= 5 \times 0.005187 \\ &= 0.025935 \\ \text{d) } \text{moles of Fe} &= 0.025935 \\ \text{e) } \text{mass Fe} &= 0.025935 \times 55.85 \\ &= 1.448 \text{ g} \end{aligned}$$

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## Questions



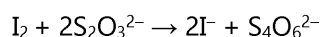
### Prepare your solutions

1. 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of an iron(II) solution is titrated with 0.0200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> KMnO<sub>4</sub> solution. 18.50 cm<sup>3</sup>. The reaction is:



- Calculate the number of moles of MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> used in the titration.
- Calculate the number of moles of Fe<sup>2+</sup> which reacted with MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>.
- Find the concentration of Fe<sup>2+</sup> ions in the 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> solution.

2. Iodine (I<sub>2</sub>) and thiosulfate (S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>) react together in the following reaction:



50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of an iodine solution were titrated with 0.120 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> thiosulfate. The mean titre was 26.78 cm<sup>3</sup>.

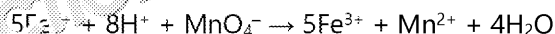
- Calculate the number of moles of thiosulfate used in the mean titre.
- Calculate the number of moles of iodine required to react with this amount of thiosulfate.
- Calculate the concentration of iodine in the original solution.



### High concentration

3. 3.25 g of a soluble iron(II) salt with the formula FeX<sub>2</sub> is dissolved in 1.00 dm<sup>3</sup> water. The solution is then titrated with 0.0200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> KMnO<sub>4</sub>, giving a mean titre of 25.65 cm<sup>3</sup>.

The following reaction occurs during the titration:



The identity of the anion represented by X in the formula FeX<sub>2</sub> can be determined from the formula of the salt. Determine the identity of the iron(II) salt.

- Calculate the number of moles of MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> used in the titration.
- Calculate the number of moles of Fe<sup>2+</sup> which reacted with MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>.
- Calculate the number of moles of Fe<sup>2+</sup> ions in the 1.00 dm<sup>3</sup> solution.
- Determine the relative formula mass of the iron salt, and so determine the identity of the salt.

4. A sample of impure iron with a mass of 6.00 g is reacted with excess nitric acid to produce iron(II) nitrate which is made up to 500 cm<sup>3</sup>. 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of the solution are then titrated with 0.0200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> potassium permanganate, giving a mean titre of 23.93 cm<sup>3</sup>.

The following reaction occurs during the titration:



- Calculate the number of moles of MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> used in the titration.
- Calculate the number of moles of Fe<sup>2+</sup> which reacted with MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>.
- Calculate the number of moles of Fe<sup>2+</sup> in the original sample.
- Calculate the mass of iron in the sample and hence determine the percentage of iron in the sample.

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## Drop the base

5. A 500 cm<sup>3</sup> solution of hydrogen peroxide, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, with a concentration of approximately 0.1 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> is analysed using titration methods.

### Step 1

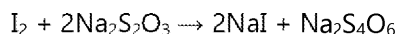
8.40 g of potassium iodide is added to the hydrogen peroxide solution and the mixture is acidified with dilute sulphuric acid.



### Step 2

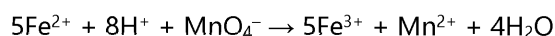
50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of the resulting solution are titrated with a solution of 0.150 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> sodium thiosulfate, Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, giving a mean titre of 26.70 cm<sup>3</sup>.

The following reaction occurs during the titration:



- Demonstrate that iodide ions are in excess of hydrogen peroxide in Step 1.
  - From the mean titre, deduce the number of moles of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in a 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> sample.
  - Calculate the concentration of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in the original 500 cm<sup>3</sup> solution.
6. 6.03 g of a pure soluble iron(II) salt with the formula FeSO<sub>4</sub>·nH<sub>2</sub>O was dissolved in 250 cm<sup>3</sup> of water. 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples were taken and titrated with 0.0150 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> solution, giving a mean titre of 12.50 cm<sup>3</sup>.

The following reaction occurs during the titration:



- Calculate the moles of MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> used in the titration.
- Calculate the moles of Fe<sup>2+</sup> titrated.
- Calculate the moles of Fe<sup>2+</sup> in the dissolved sample.
- Calculate the molar formula mass of the salt FeSO<sub>4</sub>·nH<sub>2</sub>O and thus determine n.

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# Unstructured redox titration

## Unstructured calculations

Unstructured redox titration questions can be worth around 4–7 marks. They may be questions which you haven't seen before.

When performing unstructured redox titration calculations, it can sometimes be helpful to have information you have been given to the answer. Each step of the process will involve using the information, and putting them all together can be difficult with a lot of information.

Here is some advice for attempting unstructured redox titrations:

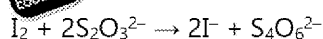
- Identify what you are trying to calculate – this could be:
  - relative simple – concentration, moles or mass
  - harder – purity, percentage by mass or relative formula mass
  - the most difficult – finding the charge on an ion or finding the formula of a compound
- You might find it helpful to write down all of the values you are given from the question to work out how all the pieces of information can be used together to find the answer.
- Convert values into the correct units so that you can use them in the equation.
- Make sure that you haven't missed a key step! In complex calculations it's much easier to miss a step than to have too many.

## Examples

### Example 1

A solution containing iodine is tested using redox titration methods.

50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of an iodine solution require 12.37 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.00700 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> thiosulfate (S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>) solution to reach the end point.



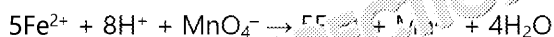
Find the concentration of iodine in the solution.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol } \text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-} &= 0.00700 \times \frac{12.37}{1000} \\ &= 8.659 \times 10^{-5} \\ \text{mol I}_2 &= \frac{1}{2} \times 8.659 \times 10^{-5} \\ &= 4.3295 \times 10^{-5} \\ \text{conc I}_2 &= \frac{4.3295 \times 10^{-5}}{0.050} \\ &= 8.659 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

### Example 2

A 1.00 g iron sample is reacted with dilute sulfuric acid until all of the iron dissolves, to form a 250 cm<sup>3</sup> solution of iron(II) sulfate solution, FeSO<sub>4</sub>.

25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of the solution are tested by redox titration methods with potassium permanganate, KMnO<sub>4</sub>, requiring 31.03 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.00930 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> permanganate solution to reach the end point.



Find the purity of the iron sample.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol MnO}_4^- &= 0.00930 \times \frac{31.03}{1000} \\ &= 2.8858 \times 10^{-4} \\ 5 : 1 \text{ ratio Fe}^{2+} : \text{MnO}_4^- \\ \text{mol Fe}^{2+} &= 5 \times 2.8858 \times 10^{-4} \\ &= 0.001443 \text{ mol} \\ \text{mol Fe}^{2+} &= 0.001443 \times \frac{250}{25} \\ &= 0.01443 \text{ mol} \\ \text{mass Fe} &= 0.01443 \times 55.85 \\ &= 0.805 \text{ g} \\ \text{purity Fe} &= \frac{0.805}{1.00} \times 100 \\ &= 80.5 \% \end{aligned}$$

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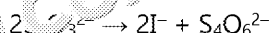
## Questions



### Prepare your solutions

1. A solution containing iodine is tested using redox titration methods. 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> require 24.33 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> thiosulfate (S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>) solution to reach the end point.

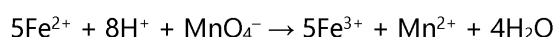
The following reaction occurs during the titration:



Find the concentration of the iodine solution.

2. An iron(II) salt is reacted with dilute sulfuric acid until all of the iron dissolves, forming a solution, FeSO<sub>4</sub>. The solution is made up to 500 cm<sup>3</sup>. 20 cm<sup>3</sup> sample is titrated by redox titration methods with potassium permanganate, KMnO<sub>4</sub>, requiring 15.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.0200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> permanganate solution to reach the end point.

The following reaction occurs during the titration:



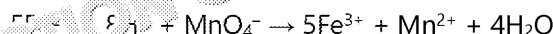
Find the mass of iron present in the sample.



### High concentration

3. A soluble iron(II) salt has the formula FeX<sub>2</sub>, where X represents one of Cl<sup>-</sup>, Br<sup>-</sup> or I<sup>-</sup>. 10.0 g of the salt is dissolved in 100 cm<sup>3</sup> water, and 20.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples are titrated against 0.0500 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> potassium permanganate solution, giving a mean titre of 14.58 cm<sup>3</sup>.

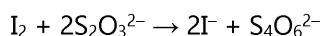
The following reaction occurs during the titration:



Determine the identity of the X ion.

4. 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of a solution containing Mn<sup>3+</sup> reacts with a solid salt containing I<sup>-</sup> ions, forming a 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> solution of product.

The iodine solution can then be titrated against a solution of thiosulfate, S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>, during the titration:



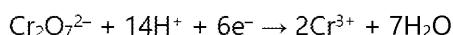
The solution of thiosulfate is made by dissolving 5.00 g of Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>•5H<sub>2</sub>O in 500 cm<sup>3</sup> of water. The thiosulfate is 34.55 cm<sup>3</sup>. Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>•5H<sub>2</sub>O has a relative formula mass of 248.0. Calculate the concentration of the original Mn<sup>3+</sup> solution. (You will need to work out the equation for the first reaction.)



### Drop the base

5. A sample of Fe(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> contains soluble, unreactive impurities. 5.64 g of the sample is dissolved in water, forming a solution containing Fe<sup>3+</sup> ions. An excess of tin(II) chloride is added, reducing the Fe<sup>3+</sup> ions to Fe<sup>2+</sup>. The excess Sn<sup>2+</sup> ions are removed by adding a solution of sodium hydroxide. The solution is made up to 500 cm<sup>3</sup> and 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of the solution is titrated against 0.00400 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> potassium dichromate, K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>, giving a mean titre of 15.0 cm<sup>3</sup>.

Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub><sup>2-</sup> is reduced to Cr<sup>3+</sup> back to Fe<sup>3+</sup> via the following half-equation:



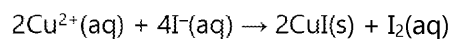
Write the balanced equation for the reaction which occurs during the titration of iron nitrate in the sample.

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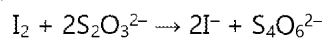
6. Cuprite is an ore of copper. 832 mg of cuprite is added to concentrated hydrochloric acid, forming a solution containing  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  ions.

An excess of potassium iodide is added and the following reaction occurs:



The resulting solution is diluted to  $500 \text{ cm}^3$ , and  $25.0 \text{ cm}^3$  samples are titrated with sodium thiosulfate, giving a mean titre of  $14.55 \text{ cm}^3$ .

During the titration, the following reaction occurs:



Calculate the percentage by mass of copper in the ore.



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# The most difficult redox titration

In past papers some of the most difficult redox titration questions have been worth 7-mark questions not uncommon. These questions outline a multistep titration procedure such as the percentage purity, the identity of an ion, or a balanced equation.

These questions are difficult because they require a lot of steps between the initial question and the final answer. The key is to recognise that most of the steps are exactly the same as more structured questions. You can still get most of the marks for showing the same set of steps involving moles, mass, and concentration, even if you've done many times. To get the final marks, you will need to pay very close attention to detail.

## Top tips:

1. Start by working out the equations for any reactions taking place. This will often give you a balanced redox equation.
2. Identify all the quantities you are given in the equation, and what they relate to. A short list of what you know can be helpful.
3. Keep an eye out for dilution steps where 'samples' are taken or water is added. You would then work out the number of moles or the concentration of the original solution.

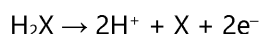
## Examples

### Example 1

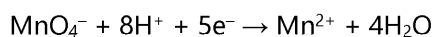
A dicarboxylic acid with the formula  $(\text{COOH})_2(\text{CH}_2)_n$  is analysed using titration methods with potassium permanganate,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ . The formula  $(\text{COOH})_2(\text{CH}_2)_n$  can be represented as  $\text{H}_2\text{X}$  in equations.

1.38 g of the acid is dissolved in water and made up to 900  $\text{cm}^3$ . 25.0  $\text{cm}^3$  samples gave a titre of 26.33  $\text{cm}^3$  when titrated against 0.0201  $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$   $\text{KMnO}_4$ .

The half-equation for the oxidation of the acid is:

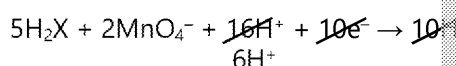
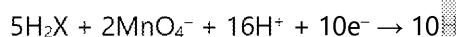
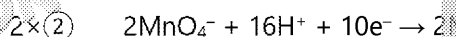
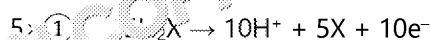
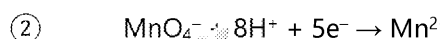
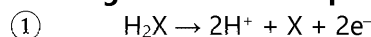


The half-equation for the reduction of permanganate is:



Find the identity of n.

### Working out the redox equation:



$$\text{mol MnO}_4^- = 0.0201 \times \frac{26.33}{1000} = 5.2923 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{mol H}_2\text{X} = \frac{5 \times 5.2923 \times 10^{-3}}{2} = 0.01323 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{r.f.m. H}_2\text{X} = \frac{1.38}{0.01323} = 104 \quad \text{r.f.m.} = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{mol}}$$

$$\text{r.f.m. (CH}_2)_n = 104 - 2 \times (12 + 16 \times 2 + 1) = 14$$

r.f.m. due to  $(\text{COOH})_2$

$$n = 14 \div (12 + 2 \times 1) = 1$$

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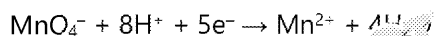
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### Example 2

0.510 g of sodium oxalate,  $\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$ , was titrated against a solution of 0.100 mol  $\text{dm}^{-3}$  potassium permanganate,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ .

The half-equation for the permanganate ions is:



15.20  $\text{cm}^3$  of the potassium permanganate solution was required to reach the end point.

Calculate the ratio of  $\text{MnO}_4^-$  to  $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$  in the overall equation, and hence work out the oxidation state of carbon in the carbon-containing product formed. (You may assume that both carbons end up with the same oxidation state.)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol MnO}_4^- &= 0.1 \times \frac{15.2}{1000} \\ &= 1.52 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{r.f.m. Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4 = 134$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4 &= \frac{0.51}{134} \\ &= 3.8060 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

	$\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$
mol ratio	$3.8060 \times 10^{-3}$
whole number mol ratio	$\frac{3.8060 \times 10^{-3}}{1.52 \times 10^{-3}}$
	2.5
	5

$$\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-} : \text{MnO}_4^- = 5 : 2$$

Mn changes oxidation state from +7 to

in  $\text{MnO}_4^-$  each O is -2, so Mn must be +7 to balance the -1 charge

Using the ratio 2  $\times$   $\text{MnO}_4^-$  requires 10 e<sup>-</sup>. Mn is reduced by 5.

Therefore, each of the 5  $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$  ions in

Each carbon in  $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$  must, therefore

Carbon's oxidation state in  $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$  is +3. state at the end must be +4.

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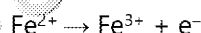


## Questions



### Prepare your solutions

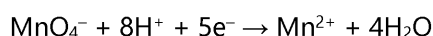
- 5.68 g of an iron(II) salt is dissolved to form a 500 cm<sup>3</sup> solution. 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> sample of 0.0250 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> dichromate, Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub><sup>2-</sup>, giving a mean titre of 18.90 cm<sup>3</sup>. The half-equations for the reaction are:



Use the half-equations to write a balanced equation for the redox reaction between dichromate ions (Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub><sup>2-</sup>). Then, calculate the percentage by mass of iron in the salt.

- A 0.382 g sample of vanadium metal containing unreactive impurities is reacted with V<sup>2+</sup> ions. 50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of the solution are analysed by redox titration with MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> solution, giving a mean titre of 21.1 cm<sup>3</sup>.

Write a balanced equation for the redox titration calculation, and find the percentage of vanadium in the metal.



### High concentration

- A 500 cm<sup>3</sup> solution with an unknown concentration of iron(II) sulfate is left in a beaker for several months, producing solution A. Iron(II) sulfate solution can oxidise over time.

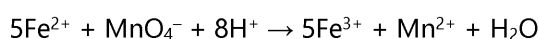


Solution A is, therefore, a mixture of Fe(II) and Fe(III) ions.

The following method was used to find the percentage of iron ions which are Fe(II).

#### Step 1

25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of solution A are titrated with 0.0200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> KMnO<sub>4</sub> solution, giving a mean titre of 23.55 cm<sup>3</sup>.



#### Step 2

A 100 cm<sup>3</sup> sample of solution A is passed over a reducing agent so that all of the Fe(III) becomes Fe(II). The solution is then made up to 200 cm<sup>3</sup> with water.

#### Step 3

25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of the solution produced in step 2 are titrated with 0.0200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> KMnO<sub>4</sub> solution, giving a mean titre of 28.93 cm<sup>3</sup>.

Calculate the percentage of iron ions which are Fe<sup>2+</sup> in solution A.

- An investigation is carried out to determine the reaction occurring when ferrate(VI) reacts with iodide ions.

#### Step 1

0.676 g of the soluble salt barium ferrate(VI) is added to an alkaline solution, forming FeO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> ions.

#### Step 2

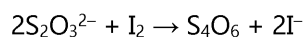
An excess of acidified potassium iodide, KI, is added to the solution, which reacts with an iron species Fe<sup>n+</sup>, iodine (I<sub>2</sub>) and Ba<sup>2+</sup> ions. The resulting solution is made up to 250 cm<sup>3</sup>.

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### Step 3

20.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of the resulting solution are titrated with 0.0100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> sodium tetrathionate, Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, giving a mean titre of 31.55 cm<sup>3</sup>. The equation for this redox reaction is



Determine the identity of the iron species Fe<sup>n+</sup> and hence determine the balanced reaction between ferrate(VI) (FeO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>) and iodide ions, where I<sup>-</sup> is converted to I<sub>2</sub>.



### Drop the base

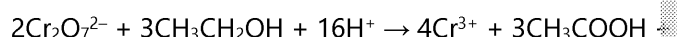
5. A bottle of wine is tested for its alcohol concentration by performing the following steps.

#### Step 1

100 cm<sup>3</sup> of wine is distilled to separate the ethanol, CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH, from other components. The distillate is pipetted into a 500 cm<sup>3</sup> volumetric flask which is made up to the line with distilled water.

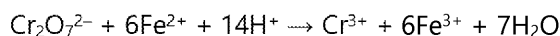
#### Step 2

20.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of the distillate are diluted to 100 cm<sup>3</sup>, and 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.115 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> potassium dichromate(VI) solution is added and left to react to completion. Dichromate is in excess for titration.



#### Step 3

The samples are titrated with 0.109 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> ammonium iron(II) sulfate solution as an indicator, to find the remaining concentration of Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub><sup>2-</sup>.



A mean titre of 24.50 cm<sup>3</sup> is recorded for the iron sulfate solution. Calculate the concentration of the ethanol in the original wine in mol dm<sup>-3</sup>.

6. **Step 1**

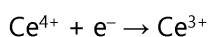
2.00 g of anhydrous salt **A** containing molybdenum with the formula Na<sub>2</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>·*x*H<sub>2</sub>O is dissolved in distilled water.

#### Step 2

The solution is reacted with hydrochloric acid so that all of the molybdenum is converted to Mo<sup>5+</sup>. The solution is made up to 200 cm<sup>3</sup>.

#### Step 3

50.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples of the solution of Mo<sup>5+</sup> are then titrated against 0.103 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> ceric(IV) sulfate solution, giving a mean titre of 20.05 cm<sup>3</sup>.



#### Step 4

A second sample containing 1.50 g of **A** is heated in a crucible, removing the water of crystallisation. The remaining anhydrous salt has a mass of 1.28 g.

Identify the formula of the salt, filling in the values of both *x* and *n*.

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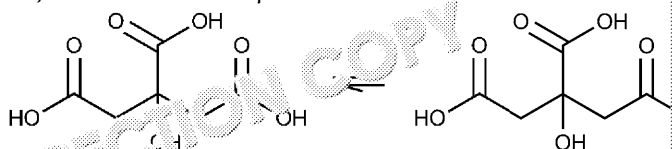


# pH Titrations

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1. A fizzy drink company is developing a new soft drink. The drink contains an organic acid.

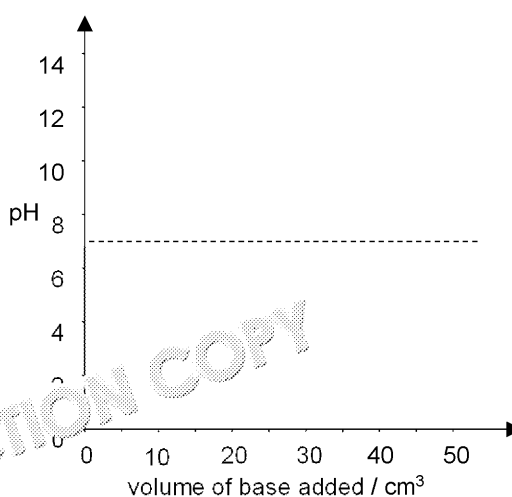
The acid is monoprotic, which means it only ionises once:



A scientist tests samples of the organic acid which is thought to have a concentration of  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .

The organic acid is titrated against NaOH, a strong base.

- a) Sketch a titration curve that you would expect on the axes when  $40.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  of the organic acid is titrated with  $25.0 \text{ cm}^3$  of the organic acid with a concentration of exactly  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .



- b) The results of the titration are shown below:

	Rough	1	2	
Start volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	0.00	0.10	0.05	0.00
End volume ( $\text{cm}^3$ )	33.35	31.15	31.15	33.35
Volume of NaOH ( $\text{cm}^3$ )				

- i) Complete the table and calculate the mean titre of NaOH to two decimal places.

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- ii) Find the actual concentration of the organic acid.

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- c) The organic acid has a  $pK_a$  of 3.13.  
Find  $[OH^-]$  for a  $0.150 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  solution of the organic acid.  
 $K_w = 1 \times 10^{-14} \text{ mol}^2 \text{ dm}^{-6}$ .



- d) The drink manufacturer would like to ensure that the pH of the drink is kept constant. The scientist proposes making a  $1.00 \text{ dm}^3$  buffer solution by adding  $500 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ NaOH}$ .
- i) Explain how this buffer controls pH when a small amount of HCl is added. Include the equation for the buffer system equilibrium and explain how it works.



- ii) What concentration of the organic acid is required to produce a buffer solution of the volumes shown above?

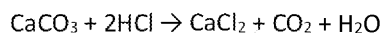


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2. Calcite is a mineral made from calcium carbonate,  $\text{CaCO}_3$ .  
A sample of calcite contains a small amount of quartz, made from silicon dioxide,  $\text{SiO}_2$ .  
The purity of calcium carbonate in calcite can be found by adding an excess of hydrochloric acid.  
Calcium carbonate reacts with hydrochloric acid in the following reaction:



Silicon dioxide does not react with hydrochloric acid.  
The amount of unreacted acid can then be determined by titration with sodium hydroxide.  
Outline a method for an experiment to accurately calculate the purity of calcium carbonate in a sample of calcite.  
You are given  $100 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.150 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  hydrochloric acid.



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## Redox Titrations

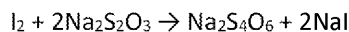
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3. Rose gold is an alloy used to make jewellery. It contains the elements gold and copper. A rose gold ring with mass 0.945 g is added to sulfuric acid. The copper dissolves, but the gold does not dissolve.

The copper solution is added to an excess of potassium iodide and the following reaction occurs:



The solution is filtered to remove the solid copper iodide, and made up to 250 cm<sup>3</sup> in a volumetric flask. Starch is added to 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> samples, which are titrated with 0.0100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> sodium thiosulfate. The reaction is:



The average titre is 37.20 cm<sup>3</sup>.

- a) Write the half-equation for copper in the first reaction.

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- b) Suggest why the solid copper iodide is removed by filtration before the titration.

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- c) State the role of starch in this process.

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- d) Calculate the percentage by mass of copper in the rose gold ring.

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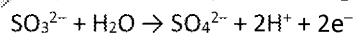
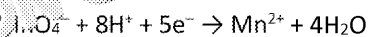
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4. A pure salt with the formula  $M_2SO_3$  contains ions of an unknown metal,  $M^+$ . The salt is tested by redox titration using the following method:
- 1.24 g of the salt is dissolved in water.
  - The solution is made up to  $200\text{ cm}^3$ .
  - $25.0\text{ cm}^3$  samples are titrated against an acidified solution of  $0.0150\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   $K_2Cr_2O_7$ .

The end point was reached at 32.8 cm<sup>3</sup>.

The half-equations for the reaction are:



Construct the cell notation for the reaction occurring in the titration between  $\text{SO}_3^{2-}$  metal and  $\text{Na}^+$ .

## Appendix: GCSE knowledge re

At GCSE, you will have learnt some very important things about acids, alkalis, titration and an essential foundation for the A Level material you need to know.

If you studied GCSE Chemistry, you will probably already be familiar with some aspects and will probably know your acids from your alkalis, and how they react together, the results tables used in titrations, and you may have used moles to calculate concentration in an experiment.

The next few pages are a quick summary of the GCSE material to jog your memory before moving on to the more difficult A Level material. If aren't feeling confident, spend some time building a strong foundation of knowledge and understanding before moving on to A Level material.

### Acids and alkalis

#### Examples

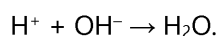
Acids and alkalis can be dissolved in water to form solutions. Solutions of acids contain  $\text{H}^+$  ions and alkalis contain  $\text{OH}^-$  ions.

Here are some examples of acids and alkalis, and the ions they form in solution:

Acids			Alkalis
Name	Formula	Ions in solution	Name
Hydrochloric acid	$\text{HCl}$	$\text{H}^+$ and $\text{Cl}^-$	Sodium hydroxide
Sulfuric acid	$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$	$2\text{H}^+$ and $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$	Potassium hydroxide
Phosphoric acid	$\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$	$3\text{H}^+$ and $\text{PO}_4^{3-}$	Calcium hydroxide
Ethanoic acid	$\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$	$\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ and $\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-$	Magnesium hydroxide

#### Neutralisation

When an acid and an alkali are mixed together, a neutralisation reaction occurs, forming water. When  $\text{H}^+$  and  $\text{OH}^-$  react together:



This reaction is the general reaction for neutralisation reactions, because it occurs in all. The salt is formed from the remaining ions in the solution. For example, when  $\text{HCl}$  and  $\text{NaOH}$  are mixed, the salt formed is  $\text{NaCl}$ .

#### pH

The concentration of  $\text{H}^+$  or  $\text{OH}^-$  ions in a solution determines its pH. pH is a scale, from 1 to 14, where lower numbers are more acidic. Here is a pH scale:



#### Indicator

You've probably used universal indicator at school to determine the pH of a solution. It is orange in acids, green at neutral and blue or purple in alkalis. There are many kinds of indicators, but they all have one similarity: they change colour depending on the pH.

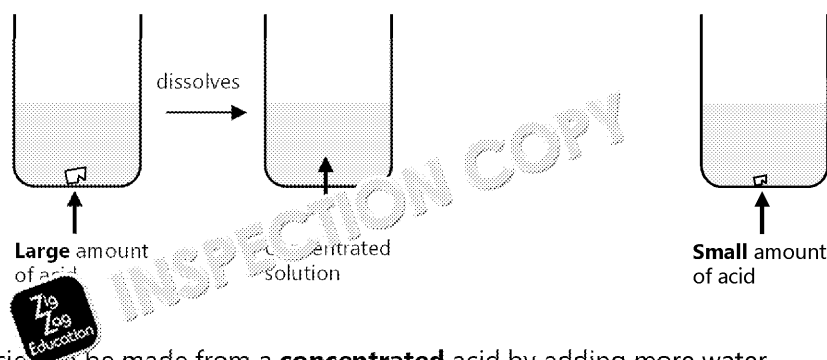
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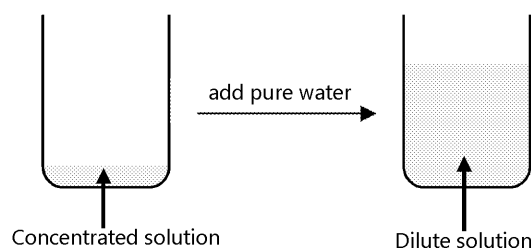


## Concentration of acid

Dissolving more acid in a solution will increase the number of  $\text{H}^+$  ions in the solution.   
 high concentration low concentration



A **dilute** acid can be made from a **concentrated** acid by adding more water.



## Acidity

Strong acids ionise more than weak acids. Ionisation is when the ions in the acid 'split'. For example, when the strong acid  $\text{HCl}$  dissolves, almost all of the  $\text{H}^+$  ions separate.

However, when the weak acid  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  dissolves, most of the  $\text{H}^+$  ions remain bonded. So, many free  $\text{H}^+$  are in the solution. If the same amount of each acid is dissolved, the concentration of  $\text{H}^+$ , and, therefore, a lower pH.

Strong acid				Weak acid	
For 100 $\text{HCl}$ particles dissolved in solution the result is:				For 100 $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ particles dissolved in solution the result is:	
No. of particles	$\text{HCl}$	$\rightarrow$	$\text{H}^+$	+	$\text{Cl}^-$
	0		100		100
All of the acid is ionised, and there are <b>many <math>\text{H}^+</math> ions</b> .				Only some are ionised and there are <b>few <math>\text{H}^+</math> ions</b> .	

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# Concentrations and mole calculations in reactions

## Concentration

The concentration of a solution depends on the amount of the solute and the volume

concentration represents either: the amount (in moles) dissolved in a volume (in  $\text{dm}^3$ ) or the mass in a

which can be calculated using:  $\text{concentration} = \frac{\text{moles}}{\text{volume}}$

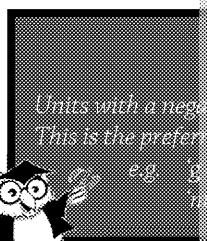


$\text{mol dm}^{-3}$

### Example

Dissolving 2 moles of sugar in 4  $\text{dm}^3$  of water:

$$\text{concentration} = \frac{\text{moles}}{\text{volume}} = \frac{2}{4} = 0.5 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$



### Converting between $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$ and $\text{g dm}^{-3}$

You can convert between  $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$  and  $\text{g dm}^{-3}$  just as you can convert between mol and g.

You need to use the relative molecular mass of the substance (known as  $M_r$ ).

$$\text{mol} = \frac{\text{mass}}{M_r} \quad \text{or} \quad \text{mol dm}^{-3} = \frac{\text{g dm}^{-3}}{M_r}$$

### Example

8 g of sodium hydroxide ( $\text{NaOH}$ ) is dissolved in 2000  $\text{cm}^3$  of water.

$\text{NaOH}$  has a  $M_r$  of 40



The concentration in  $\text{g dm}^{-3}$  is:

$$\text{concentration} = \frac{\text{grams}}{\text{volume}} = \frac{8}{2} = 4 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$$

The concentration in  $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$  is:

$$\frac{4 \text{ g dm}^{-3}}{40} = 0.1 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$



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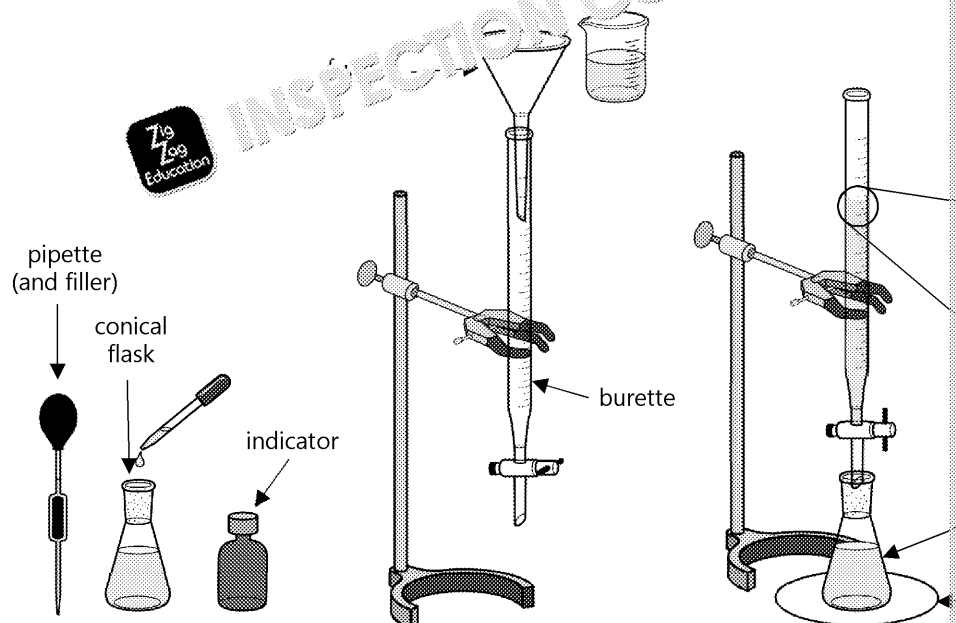


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## Titration method

Titration can be used to find the concentration of a solution by performing a reaction.

- An exact volume of the solution with unknown concentration is measured, and
- The solution with known concentration is added to the burette.
- The tap of the burette is opened carefully, and the known solution is added to the conical flask until the indicator changes colour, signifying the end point.
- The volume change of the known solution is recorded.
- The experiment is repeated.



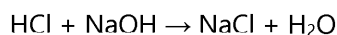
Equipment	Purpose
Pipette (and filler)	Measuring an accurate volume of the unknown solution to go into the conical flask
Conical flask	Holds the solution with unknown concentration and the indicator
Indicator	Changes colour and shows that the reaction is complete
Funnel	Used to minimise spillage of the solution of known concentration
Burette	A very accurate and precise way of adding the solution of known concentration
White tile	A blank background to make it easier to observe the colour change

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## Titration calculations

In the following reaction, an acid (HCl) reacts with an alkali (NaOH) to form a salt (NaCl) and water (H<sub>2</sub>O). You should recognise this as a neutralisation reaction.



The premise of a titration experiment is that if you know the number of moles of acid, you can find the number of moles of base.

You will need to use the following equation:

$$\text{concentration} = \frac{\text{moles}}{\text{volume}}$$

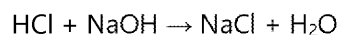


### Worked example

A solution of NaOH has an unknown concentration. HCl is added to 0.050 dm<sup>3</sup> of the NaOH solution until the indicator changes colour to show that the solution is neutral.

0.020 dm<sup>3</sup> of HCl with a concentration of 1.0 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> was required to neutralise the NaOH.

This is the reaction:



**Step 1:** find the number of moles of HCl used

$$\begin{aligned} \text{moles HCl} &= \text{concentration} \times \text{volume} \\ &= 1.0 \times 0.020 \\ &= 0.020 \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

**Step 2:** find the number of moles of NaOH

$$\text{ratio of NaOH : HCl} = 1 : 1$$

$$\text{moles NaOH} = 0.020$$

**Step 3:** find the concentration of NaOH

$$\begin{aligned} \text{conc NaOH} &= \frac{\text{moles of NaOH}}{\text{volume}} \\ &= \frac{0.020}{0.050} \\ &= 0.40 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

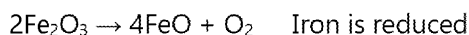
## Reduction and oxidation

### Oxidation and reduction reactions

At GCSE you will have learnt that in reactions like the following, where substances are being oxidised:



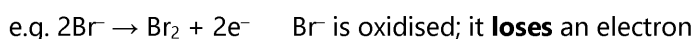
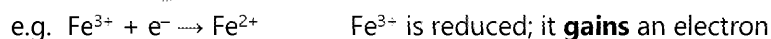
... and that in the opposite of these reactions, where an element loses oxygen:



There is also a broader definition for redox reactions, in terms of elements gaining or losing electrons.

If an element **loses** electrons, then it is being oxidised.

If an element **gains** electrons, it is being reduced.



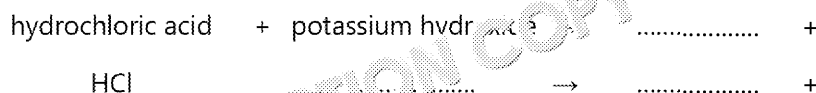
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## Quick quiz

- Which ion is found in all acidic solutions?
- What is the name of the type of reaction when an acid reacts with a base?
- Complete all of the gaps in the following word and symbol equation:



- On the pH scale, what does 7 represent?
- Name two methods of measuring pH in a classroom.
- 3 mol of an acid are dissolved in 9 dm<sup>3</sup> of water.  
Calculate the concentration of this solution in mol dm<sup>-3</sup>.
- Name three pieces of practical equipment you might use during a titration.
- A science teacher makes two solutions of acids:

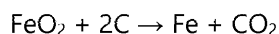
**Solution 1** contains 1 mol of sulfuric acid, a **strong acid**.

**Solution 2** contains 1 mol of propanoic acid, a **weak acid**.

Both solutions are made using 500 cm<sup>3</sup> of water.

Explain why **solution 1** has a higher concentration of hydrogen ions than **solution 2**.

- Write the **balanced** symbol equation for the reaction between H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and NaOH.
  - How many molecules of water are formed when an excess of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> reacts with 10 molecules of NaOH?
- Look at the following reaction:



Identify the elements which are:

- reduced
- oxidised
- neither reduced nor oxidised

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# Answers

## Titration basics: results and uncertainties

1.

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.00	12.65	24.20	0.00
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	12.65	24.20	35.70	11.55
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )	12.65	11.55	11.50	11.55

2. a) 20.15 cm<sup>3</sup>  
 b) 45.15 cm<sup>3</sup>  
 c) 0.2 cm<sup>3</sup>  
 d) 26.80 cm<sup>3</sup>

3.

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.80	0.20	0.55	0.50
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	17.10	17.35	17.30	17.35
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )	16.30	17.15	16.75	16.85

$$\frac{16.75 + 16.85}{2} = 16.80 \quad [\text{to 2 d.p.}]$$

4.

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.05	19.50	0.10	19.05
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	19.50	38.40	19.20	38.05
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )	19.45	18.90	19.10	19.00

$$\text{mean result} = \frac{18.90 + 18.95 + 18.90}{3} = 18.92 \text{ cm}^3 \quad [\text{to 2 d.p.}]$$

5.

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.00	0.55	0.40	0.15
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	43.75	43.10	43.05	43.05
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )	43.75	42.55	42.65	42.90

$$\text{Mean titre} = \frac{42.55 + 42.65}{2} = 42.60$$

$$\text{Percentage uncertainty} = \frac{0.1}{42.60} \times 100 = 0.23 \%$$

6. Reduces the concentration of the acid / some of the acid is neutralised  
 More [acid] is required to reach the end point  
 Mean titre is higher

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## Concentrations and dilution

- $500 \div 1000 = 0.5 \text{ dm}^3$      $\frac{3}{0.5} = 6.00 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$
- $200 \div 1000 = 0.2 \text{ dm}^3$      $0.2 \times 0.2 = 0.0400 \text{ moles}$
- $\text{vol} = \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{conc}} = \frac{2.5}{0.5} = 5.00 \text{ dm}^3$
- $\text{conc} = 2 \times \frac{25}{1000} = 0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
- $10 \times \frac{0.4}{0.0125} = 320 \text{ cm}^3$
- $\text{conc} = 0.24 \times \frac{100}{2.5} = 9.6 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
- mol KI = 0.0205 mol  
 $\text{conc KI} = 0.0205 \div \frac{200}{1000} = 0.102 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
- Concentration before NaCl added =  $1 \times \frac{250}{1000} = 0.250 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$   
 Concentration after NaCl added =  $0.25 + 0.5 = 0.750 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$

## Structured acid-base titration calculations

1.

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.00	16.20	0.10	16.15
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	16.20	32.25	16.15	32.25
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )	16.20	16.05	16.05	16.10

- a)  $\frac{16.05 + 16.05 + 16.10}{3} = 16.07 \text{ cm}^3$   
 b)  $0.2 \times \frac{16.07}{1000} = 3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$

2.

	Rough	1	2	3
Start (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.00	0.00	23.85	0.00
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	24.40	23.85	47.65	23.80
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )	24.40	23.85	23.80	23.80

- a)  $\frac{23.85 + 23.80 + 23.80}{3} = 23.82 \text{ cm}^3$   
 b)  $0.1 \times \frac{23.82}{1000} = 2.382 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 c)  $2.382 \times 10^{-3} \times 2 = 4.76 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$

3. a) mol HCl =  $\frac{13.7}{1000} \times 0.2 = 0.00274 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 b) mol KOH = 0.00274 mol [1 : 1 reaction KOH : HCl]  
 c) conc KOH =  $0.00274 \div \frac{30}{1000} = 0.0913 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

4. a) conc H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> =  $2.00 \times \frac{250}{1000} = 0.500 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 b) mol H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> =  $0.0192 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 c) mol KOH =  $0.0192 \times 2 = 0.0384 \text{ mol}$  [2 : 1 reaction KOH : H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>]  
 d) conc KOH =  $0.0384 \div \frac{80}{1000} = 0.480 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

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5. a) Results table:

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.05	0.40	0.40	0.20
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	41.95	40.55	40.50	40.50
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )	41.90	40.15	40.10	40.30

$$\text{Mean titre} = \frac{40.15 + 40.10}{2}$$

$$= 40.13 \text{ cm}^3$$

b) mol HCl =  $\frac{40.13}{1000} \times 0.206$

$$= 0.008268 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

mol Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub> =  $0.008268 \div 2$

$$= 0.0041334 \text{ mol} \quad [1 : 2 \text{ reaction Ca(OH)}_2 : \text{HCl}]$$

mol Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub> =  $0.0041334 \div \frac{250}{1000}$

$$= 0.01653 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ [in 250 cm}^3 \text{ samples]}$$

c) conc Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub> = 0.01653 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> [in 1 dm<sup>3</sup> solution]

conc Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub> =  $0.01653 \times \frac{1000}{200}$  [1000/200 is the dilution of 200 cm<sup>3</sup>]

$$= 0.0827 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \quad [\text{In } 200 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ sample}]$$

d) M<sub>r</sub> Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub> = 74.1

conc Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub> =  $74.1 \times 0.0827$

$$= 6.13 \text{ g dm}^{-3}$$

Yes (it is above the required concentration)

6. a)

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.55	0.50	0.85	0.40
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	18.15	17.65	17.70	17.65
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )	18.65	17.15	17.85	17.25

mean titre =  $\frac{17.15 + 17.25}{2}$

$$= 17.20 \text{ cm}^3$$

mol HCl =  $\frac{17.20}{1000} \times 0.245$

$$= 0.004214 \text{ mol}$$

b) mol MOH = 0.004214 [1 : 1 ratio HCl : MOH]

mass MOH =  $\frac{236.4}{1000}$

$$= 0.2364 \text{ g in } 200 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$= 0.02364 \text{ g in } 20 \text{ cm}^3$$

M<sub>r</sub> MOH =  $\frac{0.236}{0.004214}$

$$= 56.1 \quad [3 \text{ s.f.}]$$

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## Unstructured acid–base titration calculations

1. Results table:

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.00	18.70	0.65	17.65
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	18.70	35.45	17.65	34.70
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )	18.70	16.75	17.00	17.05

$$\text{mean titre} = \frac{17.00 + 17.05}{2}$$

$$= 17.03 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\text{moles of HCl} = 0.150 \times \frac{17.03}{1000}$$

$$= 0.002555 \text{ mol}$$

1 : 1 ratio KOH : HCl

$$\text{moles of KOH} = 0.002555 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{conc KOH} = 0.002555 \div \frac{50}{1000}$$

$$= 0.0511 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

2. Results table:

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.45	0.55	0.00	0.40
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	32.55	31.50	31.55	31.35
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )	33.00	30.95	31.55	30.95

$$\text{mean titre} = \frac{30.95 + 30.95}{2}$$

$$= 30.95 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\text{moles KOH} = 0.130 \times \frac{25.0}{1000}$$

$$= 0.00325 \text{ mol}$$

2 : 1 ratio H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> : KOH

$$\text{moles H}_2\text{SO}_4 = \frac{0.00325}{2}$$

$$= 0.001625$$

$$\text{conc H}_2\text{SO}_4 = 0.001625 \div \frac{30.95}{1000}$$

$$= 0.0525 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

$$\text{3. mol H}_2\text{SO}_4 = 0.100 \times \frac{30.58}{1000}$$

$$= 0.003058 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{mol MOH in 25 cm}^3 = 0.003058 \times 2$$

$$= 0.006116 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{mol MOH in 250 cm}^3 = 0.006116 \times \frac{100}{25}$$

$$= 0.02446 \text{ mol}$$

$$M_r \text{ MOH} = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{mol}}$$

$$= \frac{1.37}{0.02446}$$

$$= 55.9$$

MOH is KOH (M<sub>r</sub> 56)

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4. Balanced equation:  
 $2\text{HCl} + \text{K}_2\text{CO}_3 \rightarrow 2\text{KCl} + \text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$

	Rough	1	2	3
Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.55	0.30	0.05	0.15
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	41.90	41.10	41.10	41.05
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )	42.45	40.80	41.05	40.90

mean titre =  $\frac{40.80 + 40.90}{2}$

= 40.85 cm<sup>3</sup>

mol HCl =  $0.125 \times \frac{1}{1000}$

= 0.000125 mol

mol K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> =  $\frac{0.000125}{2}$

= 0.0000625 mol

mol K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> in 500 cm<sup>3</sup> =  $0.0000625 \times \frac{500}{25}$

= 0.00125 mol

M<sub>r</sub> K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> = 138.2

mass K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> =  $138.2 \times 0.00125$

= 0.17275 g

% purity =  $\frac{0.17275}{0.228} \times 100$

= 75.8 %

5.  $\text{KOH} + \text{HNO}_3 \rightarrow \text{KNO}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$

mol HNO<sub>3</sub> =  $0.200 \times \frac{21.80}{1000}$

= 0.00436 mol

mol KOH in total = 0.00436 mol

mol KOH in A =  $0.143 \times \frac{1}{1000}$

= 0.000143 mol

mol KOH in B = mol in total – mol in A

= 0.00436 – 0.000143

= 0.004217 mol

conc B =  $0.004217 \div \frac{10}{1000}$

= 0.4217 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>

6. mol H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> =  $0.150 \times \frac{28.85}{1000}$

= 0.0043275 mol

M<sub>r</sub> Ba(OH)<sub>2</sub> = 171.7

mol Ba(OH)<sub>2</sub> in 250 cm<sup>3</sup> =  $2.86 \div 171.7$

= 0.016657 mol

mol Ba(OH)<sub>2</sub> in 25 cm<sup>3</sup> =  $0.0016657$

mol H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> which reacts with NaOH =  $0.0043275 - 0.0016657$

= 0.0026618 mol

mol NaOH in 25 cm<sup>3</sup> = 0.0026618 mol

= 0.0026618 mol

mol NaOH in 250 cm<sup>3</sup> =  $0.026618$

= 0.026618 mol

M<sub>r</sub> NaOH = 40.0

mass NaOH =  $40.0 \times 0.026618$

= 1.06472 g

mass of impurity =  $5.34 - (2.86 + 1.06472) = 0.41528$

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# 'Back' titrations

1. a) mol KOH  $= 0.1 \times \frac{17.88}{1000}$   
 $= 0.001788 \text{ mol}$   
 mol HCl in 50 cm<sup>3</sup>  $= 0.001788 \text{ mol}$   
 b) mol HCl in 250 cm<sup>3</sup>  $= 0.001788 \times \frac{250}{50}$   
 (from titration)  $= 0.00894 \text{ mol}$   
 c) original mol HCl  $= \frac{200}{1000} \times 0.1$   
 (in stock solution)  $= 0.02 \text{ mol}$   
 mol HCl reacted  $= 0.02 - 0.00894$   
 $= 0.01106 \text{ mol}$   
 d) mol CaCO<sub>3</sub>  $= \frac{0.01106}{2}$   
 $= 0.00553 \text{ mol}$   
 e) M<sub>r</sub> CaCO<sub>3</sub>  $= 100.1$   
 mass CaCO<sub>3</sub>  $= 100.1 \times 0.00553$   
 $= 0.554 \text{ g}$

2. a) mol KOH  $= 0.100 \times \frac{32.45}{1000}$   
 $= 0.003245 \text{ mol}$   
 b) mol HCl in 20.0 cm<sup>3</sup>  $= 0.003245 \text{ mol}$   
 mol HCl in 100 cm<sup>3</sup>  $= 0.003245 \times \frac{100}{20}$   
 $= 0.016225 \text{ mol}$   
 c) mol HCl reacted  $= 0.0250 - 0.016225$   
 $= 0.008775 \text{ mol}$   
 d) mol NH<sub>3</sub> in 30 cm<sup>3</sup>  $= 0.008775 \text{ mol}$   
 mol NH<sub>3</sub> in 3.00 dm<sup>3</sup>  $= 0.008775 \times (3 \div \frac{30}{1000})$   
 $= 0.8775 \text{ mol}$

3. a)  $3\text{M}(\text{OH})_2 + 2\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4 \rightarrow \text{M}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2 + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 b) Results table:

	rough	1	2	3
Sample volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.55	0.15	0.05	0.20
End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	40.00	39.00	38.95	39.00
Volume of acid (cm <sup>3</sup> )	39.45	38.85	38.90	38.80

- Mean titre  $= \frac{38.85 + 38.90 + 38.80}{3}$   
 $= 38.85 \text{ cm}^3$   
 mol KOH  $= \frac{38.85}{1000} \times 0.130$   
 $= 0.0050505 \text{ mol}$   
 mol H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> in 25 cm<sup>3</sup>  $= \frac{0.0050505}{3}$   
 $= 0.0016835 \text{ mol}$   
 mol H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> in 250 cm<sup>3</sup>  $= 0.016835 \text{ mol}$   
 original mol H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>  $= \frac{200}{1000} \times 0.15$   
 $= 0.0300$   
 mol H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> reacted  $= 0.03 - 0.016835$   
 $= 0.013165 \text{ mol}$   
 mol M(OH)<sub>2</sub>  $= 0.013165 \div 2$   
 $= 0.0065825 \text{ mol}$   
 M<sub>r</sub> M(OH)<sub>2</sub>  $= 1.15 \div 0.0197475$   
 $= 58.2$   
 c) M<sub>r</sub> Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub>

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4. This would be an 8-mark question in an exam. Marks are shown by ✓.

## Part 1: Calculation of solid so that acid is in excess

Recognition that nitric acid must be in excess ✓

$$\text{mol HNO}_3 = 0.150 \times \frac{100}{1000} = 0.0150 \text{ mol} \checkmark$$

Ratio from reaction equation is 2 : 1  $\text{HNO}_3 : \text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$

so mol  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  is less than 0.0075 mol ( $0.0150 \times \frac{1}{2}$ ) ✓

$$\text{Mass of Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \text{ weighed out} < 0.0075 \times (23 \times 2 + 12 + 3 \times 16) = < 1.74 \text{ g}$$

## Part 2: Method

Use pipette to measure 100 cm<sup>3</sup> of acid and add weighed solid to acid ✓

Titrate unreacted acid with 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> KOH and record titre when indicator ✓

## Part 3: Calculation

$$\text{mol Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O} = 0.0150 - \left( \frac{\text{mean titre}}{2} \times 0.1 \right) \checkmark$$

$$M_r = \frac{\text{mass of sodium carbonate heptahydrate}}{\text{moles of sodium carbonate heptahydrate}} \checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned} 5. \quad \text{mol NaOH} &= 0.1 \times \frac{20.08}{1000} \\ &= 0.002008 \text{ mol} \\ \text{mol HCl in } 50 \text{ cm}^3 &= 0.002008 \text{ mol} \\ \text{mol HCl in } 250 \text{ cm}^3 &= 0.002008 \times \frac{250}{50} \\ &= 0.01004 \text{ mol} \\ \text{original mol HCl} &= \frac{150}{1000} \times 0.24 \\ &= 0.0360 \text{ mol} \\ \text{mol HCl reacted} &= 0.0360 - 0.01004 \\ &= 0.02596 \text{ mol} \\ \text{mol MgCO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O} &= 0.02596 \div 2 \\ &= 0.01298 \text{ mol} \\ \text{mass MgCO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O} &= 144.14 - 142.34 \\ &= 1.80 \text{ g} \\ M_r \text{ MgCO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O} &= \frac{1.80}{0.01298} \\ &= 138.7 \\ M_r x\text{H}_2\text{O} &= 138.7 - 84.3 \\ &= 54.4 \\ x &= 54.4 \div 18 \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Formula is  $\text{MgCO}_3 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$

$$\begin{aligned} 6. \quad \text{mol NaOH} &= \frac{41.30}{1000} \times 0.100 \\ &= 0.00413 \text{ mol} \\ \text{mol H}_2\text{SO}_4 \text{ in } 50 \text{ cm}^3 &= 0.00413 \div 2 \\ &= 0.002065 \text{ mol} \\ \text{mol H}_2\text{SO}_4 \text{ in } 500 \text{ cm}^3 &= 0.02065 \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_r \text{ BaSO}_4 &= 233.4 \\ \text{mol BaSO}_4 &= \frac{3.05}{233.4} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 0.01307 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{mol H}_2\text{SO}_4 \text{ reacted with Ba(OH)}_2 = 0.01307 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{original mol H}_2\text{SO}_4 = \frac{250}{1000} \times 0.200$$

$$= 0.0500 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{mol H}_2\text{SO}_4 \text{ reacted with NaOH} = \text{original mol} - \text{remaining mol} - \text{mol reacted}$$

$$= 0.0500 - 0.01307 - 0.02065$$

$$= 0.01628 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{mol NaOH} = 0.01628 \times 2$$

$$= 0.03256 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{conc NaOH} = 0.03256 \div \frac{200}{1000}$$

$$= 0.163 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

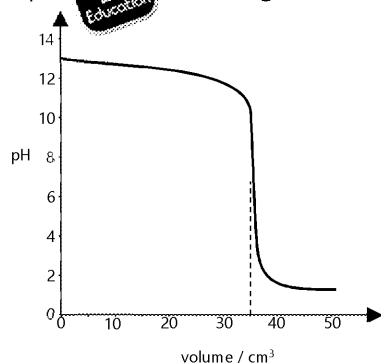
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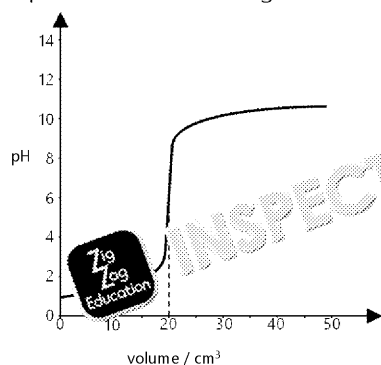


## Titration curves / indicators

- C
  - D
  - A
- bromothymol blue
  - bromocresol green
  - blue to colourless
- blue (phenolphthalein and thymolphthalein would both be colourless at this pH; b giving the solution its colour)
- Graph should be a strong acid–strong base curve with an equivalence point at 35



- Graph should be a strong acid–weak base curve with an equivalence point at 20



- bromothymol blue and phenolphthalein
  - methyl orange and bromothymol blue
  - bromothymol blue

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## Strong acids and bases

1. a)  $\text{pH} = -\log_{10}(0.00100) = 3.00$   
 b)  $\text{conc} = 10^{-2.3} = 0.00501 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 c)  $\text{pH} = -\log_{10}(2 \times 0.000400) = 3.10$

2. a)  $[\text{H}^+] = \frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{0.00160}$   
 $= 6.25 \times 10^{-13} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 $\text{pH} = -\log_{10}(6.25 \times 10^{-13})$   
 $= 11.2$

- b)  $[\text{H}^+] = \frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{0.000810}$   
 $= 1.23 \times 10^{-11} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 $\text{pH} = -\log_{10}(1.23 \times 10^{-11})$   
 $= 10.9$

- c)  $[\text{H}^+] = \frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{2 \times 0.0000451}$   
 $= 1.11 \times 10^{-10} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 $\text{pH} = -\log_{10}(1.11 \times 10^{-10})$   
 $= 9.96$

3.  $[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-11.7}$   
 $= 1.995 \times 10^{-12}$   
 $[\text{H}^+] \times [\text{OH}^-] = 1.00 \times 10^{-14}$   
 $[\text{OH}^-] = \frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{[\text{H}^+]}$   
 $= \frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{1.995 \times 10^{-12}}$   
 $= 5.01 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

4.  $[\text{H}^+] = 2 \times 0.000520$   
 $= 1.04 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 $[\text{OH}^-] = \frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{[\text{H}^+]}$   
 $= \frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{1.04 \times 10^{-3}}$   
 $= 9.62 \times 10^{-12} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

5.  $\text{mol HCl} = 0.01 \times \frac{500}{1000}$   
 $= 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 $\text{mol NaOH} = 0.03 \times \frac{150}{1000}$   
 $= 4.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 $\text{new mol HCl} = 5 \times 10^{-3} - 4.5 \times 10^{-3}$   
 $= 5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$   
 $\text{new conc HCl} = 5 \times 10^{-4} \div \frac{650}{1000}$   
 $= 7.692 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 $\text{pH} = -\log_{10}(7.692 \times 10^{-4})$   
 $= 3.11$

6. a)  $[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-7}$   
 $= 1.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 $[\text{OH}^-] = \frac{2.88 \times 10^{-14}}{1.0 \times 10^{-7}}$   
 $= 2.88 \times 10^{-8} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

$[\text{H}^+] > [\text{OH}^-]$ , so **acidic**

- b)  $[\text{OH}^-] = 0.0012$   
 $= 1.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 $[\text{H}^+] = \frac{2.88 \times 10^{-14}}{2.1 \times 10^{-4}}$   
 $= 1.371 \times 10^{-11} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 $\text{pH} = -\log_{10}(1.371 \times 10^{-11})$   
 $= 10.86$

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## Weak acids

- $-\log_{10}(1.42 \times 10^{-5}) = 4.85$
  - $-\log_{10}(4.98 \times 10^{-7}) = 6.30$
  - $10^{-1.03} = 9.33 \times 10^{-2}$
  - $10^{-3.12} = 7.59 \times 10^{-4}$

- $K_a = \frac{[H^+][SCN^-]}{[HSCN]}$
  - $[H^+] = [SCN^-]$   
 $K_a = \frac{[H^+]^2}{[HSCN]}$   
 $[H^+] = \sqrt{[HSCN] \times K_a}$   
 $= \sqrt{0.0100 \times 1.1 \times 10^{-4}}$   
 $= 1.05 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 $pH = -\log_{10}(0.00105)$   
 $= 0.963$

- $K_a = 10^{-3.29}$   
 $= 5.129 \times 10^{-4}$   
 $= \frac{[H^+][NO_2^-]}{[HNO_2]}$   
 $[NO_2^-] = [H^+]$   
 $K_a = \frac{[NO_2^-]^2}{[HNO_2]}$   
 $[NO_2^-] = \sqrt{[HNO_2] \times K_a}$   
 $= \sqrt{0.0452 \times 5.129 \times 10^{-4}}$   
 $= 4.81 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

- $[H^+] = 10^{-5.79}$   
 $= 1.622 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 $K_a = \frac{[H^+][C_6H_5O^-]}{[C_6H_5OH]}$   
 $[H^+] = [C_6H_5O^-]$   
 $K_a = \frac{[H^+]^2}{[C_6H_5OH]}$   
 $K_a = \frac{(1.622 \times 10^{-6})^2}{(1.622 \times 10^{-6})^2}$   
 $pK_a = 14$

- Ethanoic acid dissociates less in DMSO than in water.
  - $K_a(\text{DMSO}) = 10^{-12.3}$

$$K_a = \frac{[H^+][CH_3COO^-]}{[CH_3COOH]}$$

$$[H^+] = [CH_3COO^-]$$

$$K_a = \frac{[H^+]^2}{[CH_3COOH]}$$

$$[H^+] = \sqrt{[CH_3COOH] \times K_a}$$

$$= \sqrt{0.175 \times 5.0119 \times 10^{-13}}$$

$$= 2.962 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

$$K_a(\text{water}) = 10^{-4.76}$$

$$= 1.738 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$[CH_3COOH] = \frac{[H^+]^2}{K_a}$$

$$= \frac{(2.962 \times 10^{-7})^2}{1.738 \times 10^{-5}}$$

$$= 5.04 \times 10^{-9} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

- $K_a = \frac{[H^+][H_2O]}{[H_2O]}$
  - $[H_2O] = \frac{1000}{18}$   
 $= 55.56 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
  - $K_a = \frac{10^{-14}}{55.56}$   
 $= 1.8 \times 10^{-16}$   
 $pK_a = -\log(1.8 \times 10^{-15})$   
 $= 15.7$

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## Buffers

- CHONa
  - NaCN<sup>-</sup>

- Equilibrium:  $\text{CF}_3\text{COOH} \rightleftharpoons \text{CF}_3\text{COO}^- + \text{H}^+$   
 Added HCl:  $\text{CF}_3\text{COO}^-$  reacts / uses up  $\text{H}^+$  to form more  $\text{CF}_3\text{COOH}$   
 Equilibrium shifts left  
 Added NaOH:  $\text{H}^+$  reacts with added  $\text{OH}^-$  / more  $\text{CF}_3\text{COO}^-$  forms  
 Equilibrium shifts right

- $$[\text{H}^+] = K_a \times \frac{[\text{HA}]}{[\text{A}^-]}$$

$$K_a = 10^{-8}$$

$$[\text{HA}] = 0.150 \times \frac{200}{1000} = 0.0300 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

$$[\text{A}^-] = 0.0450 \times \frac{800}{1000} = 0.0360 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = 9.120 \times 10^{-8} \times \frac{0.0300}{0.0360} = 7.6 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$\text{pH} = 7.12$$

- HF reacts with  $\text{NH}_3$  to form  $\text{F}^-$  (or  $\text{NH}_4\text{F}$ )  
 This means there is a mixture of leftover weak acid (because it was in excess) and its salt  
 $\text{HF} \rightleftharpoons \text{F}^- + \text{H}^+$   
 When:

acid added:  $\text{F}^-$  reacts with added  $\text{H}^+$  / more HF forms

alkali added:  $\text{H}^+$  reacts with added  $\text{OH}^-$  / more  $\text{F}^-$  forms

Equilibrium shifts left when acid is added, equilibrium shifts right when alkali is added

- $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COOH}$  in excess
  - $[\text{H}^+] = 1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

$$K_a = 10^{-3.86} = 1.3804 \times 10^{-4}$$

Assume  $[\text{KOH}] = [\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COO}^-]$

Assume  $[\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COOH}] = [\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COOH}] - [\text{KOH}]$

$$[\text{H}^+] = K_a \times \frac{[\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COOH}] - [\text{KOH}]}{[\text{KOH}]}$$

$$[\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COOH}] - [\text{KOH}] = [\text{KOH}] \times \frac{[\text{H}^+]}{K_a}$$

$$[\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COOH}] = [\text{KOH}] \times \frac{[\text{H}^+]}{K_a} + [\text{KOH}]$$

$$= 0.05 \times \frac{1 \times 10^{-4}}{1.3804 \times 10^{-4}} + 0.05$$

$$= 0.08622 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

$$\text{mol CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COOH} = 0.08622 \times \frac{400}{1000} = 0.3449 \text{ mol}$$

$$M_r \text{ CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COOH} = 77.0$$

$$\text{mass CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COOH} = 26.5 \text{ g}$$

- Desired

$[\text{H}^+] =$

$=$

$K_a =$

$K_a =$

$=$

$[\text{HA}] =$

$=$

$[\text{A}^-] =$

$=$

$=$

current

current

addition

Conjugate

$M_r \text{ C}_5\text{H}_5\text{NO}_2$

mass C

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## Structured redox titrations

1. a)  $\text{mol MnO}_4^- = 0.02 \times \frac{18.5}{1000} = 3.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$   
 b) 1 : 5 ratio  
 $\text{mol Fe}^{2+} = 5 \times 3.7 \times 10^{-4} = 1.85 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 c)  $\text{conc Fe}^{2+} = 1.85 \times 10^{-3} \div \frac{50}{1000} = 0.037 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
2. a)  $\text{mol S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-} = 0.12 \times \frac{10}{1000} = 1.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 b)  $\text{mol I}_2 = \frac{3.2136 \times 10^{-3}}{2} = 1.6068 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 c)  $\text{conc I}_2 = 1.6068 \times 10^{-3} \div \frac{50}{1000} = 0.0321 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
3. a)  $\text{mol MnO}_4^- = 0.02 \times \frac{25.65}{1000} = 5.13 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$   
 b) 1 : 5 ratio  
 $\text{mol Fe}^{2+} = 5.13 \times 10^{-4} \times 5 = 0.002565 \text{ mol}$   
 c)  $\text{mol Fe}^{2+} = 0.002565 \times \frac{1000}{100} = 0.02565 \text{ mol}$   
 d) r.f.m.  $\text{FeX}_2 = 3.25 \div 0.02565 = 126.7$   
 $\text{r.f.m. X} = \frac{126.7 - 58.8}{2} = 35.5$   
 X is Cl, so salt is  $\text{FeCl}_2$
4. a)  $\text{mol MnO}_4^- = 0.02 \times \frac{22.2}{1000} = 2.22 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 b) 1 : 5 ratio  
 $\text{mol Fe}^{2+} = 5 \times 2.22 \times 10^{-3} = 1.11 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol}$   
 c)  $\text{mol Fe}^{2+} = 1.11 \times 10^{-2} \times \frac{500}{25} = 0.222 \text{ mol}$   
 d)  $\text{mass Fe} = 0.222 \times 55.8 = 12.38 \text{ g}$   
 $\text{purity Fe} = \frac{12.38}{15.5} \times 100 = 79.8\%$
5. a)  $\text{mol KI} = \frac{8.4}{166} = 0.0506$   
 $\text{mol H}_2\text{O}_2 = 0.0506 \times 2 = 0.1012$   
 $\text{mol I}^- = 2 \times 0.1012 = 0.2024$   
 b)  $\text{mol Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3 = 0.150 \times 4.017 = 0.6026$   
 2 : 1 ratio  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3 : \text{I}_2$   
 $\text{mol I}_2 = \frac{0.6026}{2} = 0.3013$   
 $\text{mol H}_2\text{O}_2 = 0.3013 \times 10 = 3.013$   
 c)  $\text{mol H}_2\text{O}_2 = 3.013 \times 10 = 30.13$   
 $\text{conc H}_2\text{O}_2 = 30.13 \div 1000 = 0.03013 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
6. a)  $\text{mol MnO}_4^- = 0.015 \times \frac{25}{1000} = 3.75 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$   
 b) 5 : 1 ratio  
 $\text{mol Fe}^{2+} = 5 \times 3.75 \times 10^{-4} = 0.001875 \text{ mol}$   
 c)  $\text{mol Fe}^{2+} = 0.001875 \times 1000 = 1.875 \text{ mol}$   
 d) r.f.m.  $\text{FeSO}_4 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O} = 66.2 \div 1.875 = 35.3$   
 $n = \frac{35.3 - 152}{18} = 7$

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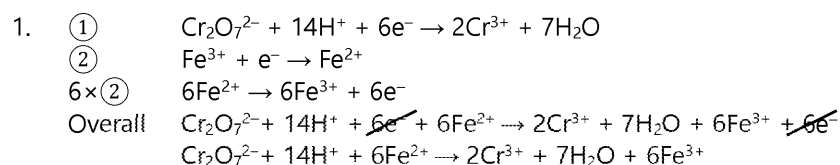
## Unstructured redox titrations

- $\text{mol S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-} = 0.1 \times \frac{24.33}{1000} = 2.433 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 $2 : 1 \text{ ratio of S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-} : \text{I}_2$   
 $\text{mol I}_2 = 2.433 \times 10^{-3} \div 2 = 1.2165 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 $\text{conc I}_2 = 1.2165 \times 10^{-3} \div \frac{50}{1000} = 0.0243 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
- $\text{mol MnO}_4^- = 50 \times \frac{4.00}{1000} = 2.2275 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$   
 $5 : 1 \text{ ratio of Fe}^{2+} : \text{MnO}_4^-$   
 $\text{mol Fe}^{2+} \text{ in } 25 \text{ cm}^3 = 5 \times 2.2275 \times 10^{-4} = 1.11375 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 $\text{mol Fe}^{2+} \text{ in } 500 \text{ cm}^3 = 1.11375 \times 10^{-3} \times \frac{500}{20}$   
 $= 0.02784 \text{ mol}$   
 $\text{mass Fe in sample} = 0.02784 \times 55.8 = 1.55 \text{ g}$
- $\text{mol MnO}_4^- = 0.050 \times \frac{14.85}{1000} = 7.425 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$   
 $5 : 1 \text{ ratio of Fe}^{2+} : \text{MnO}_4^-$   
 $\text{mol Fe}^{2+} \text{ in } 20 \text{ cm}^3 = 5 \times 7.425 \times 10^{-4} = 3.7125 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 $\text{mol Fe}^{2+} \text{ in } 100 \text{ cm}^3 = 3.7125 \times 10^{-3} \times \frac{100}{20}$   
 $= 0.01856 \text{ mol}$   
 $\text{r.f.m. FeX}_2 = 2.74 \div 0.01856 = 147.8$   
 $\text{r.f.m. X} = \frac{147.8 - 56}{2} = 45.9$   
 $\text{X is NO}_2$
- $\text{mol Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3 \text{ in solution} = 5 \div 248 = 0.02016 \text{ mol}$   
 $\text{conc of S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-} \text{ in solution} = 0.02016 \div \frac{500}{1000} = 0.04032 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 $\text{mol S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-} \text{ in titre} = 0.04032 \times \frac{34.55}{1000} = 1.393 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 $\text{mol I}_2 = \frac{1.393 \times 10^{-3}}{2} = 6.966 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$   
 $\text{Equation: } 2\text{Mn}^{3+} + 2\text{I}^- \rightarrow 2\text{Mn}^{2+} + \text{I}_2$   
 $\text{mol Mn}^{3+} = 6.966 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol} \times 2 = 1.3932 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 $\text{conc I}_2 = 1.3932 \times 10^{-3} \div \frac{50}{1000} = 0.0279 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
- $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} + 6\text{Fe}^{2+} + 14\text{H}^+ \rightarrow 2\text{Cr}^{3+} + 6\text{Fe}^{3+} + 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 $\text{mol Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$   
 $\text{mol Fe}^{2+} \text{ (in } 25 \text{ cm}^3)$   
 $\text{mol Fe}^{2+} \text{ (in } 500 \text{ cm}^3)$   
 $\text{mol Fe(NO}_3)_3$   
 $\text{r.f.m. Fe(NO}_3)_3$   
 $\text{mass Fe(NO}_3)_3$   
 $\text{purity Fe(NO}_3)_3$
- $\text{mol S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$   
 $\text{mol I}_2 \text{ in } 25 \text{ cm}^3$   
 $\text{mol I}_2 \text{ in } 500 \text{ cm}^3$   
 $\text{mol Cu}^{2+}$   
 $\text{mass Cu}^{2+}$   
 $\text{dry mass}$

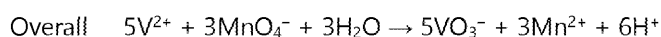
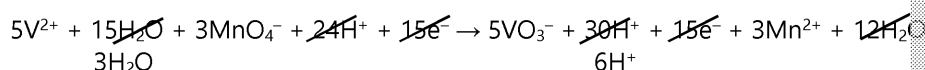
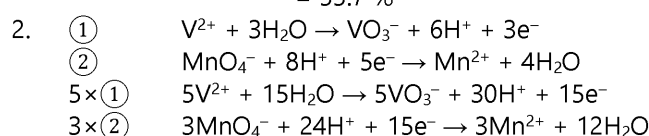
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## The most difficult redox titrations



mol  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$  =  $0.0250 \times \frac{18.90}{1000}$   
 =  $4.725 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$   
 mol  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in  $25 \text{ cm}^3$  =  $6 \times 4.725 \times 10^{-4}$   
 =  $2.835 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 mol  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in  $500 \text{ cm}^3$  =  $2.835 \times 10^{-3} \times \frac{500}{25}$   
 =  $0.0567 \text{ mol}$   
 mass Fe =  $0.0567 \times 55.8$   
 =  $3.164 \text{ g}$   
 purity Fe =  $\frac{3.164}{5.68} \times 100$   
 =  $55.7 \%$



mol  $\text{MnO}_4^-$  =  $0.0120 \times \frac{21.1}{1000}$   
 =  $2.532 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$   
 mol  $\text{V}^{2+}$  in  $50 \text{ cm}^3$  =  $\frac{5}{3} \times 2.532 \times 10^{-4}$   
 =  $4.22 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$   
 mol  $\text{V}^{2+}$  in  $500 \text{ cm}^3$  =  $4.22 \times 10^{-4} \times \frac{500}{50}$   
 =  $4.22 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 mass V =  $50.9 \times 4.22 \times 10^{-3}$   
 =  $0.2148 \text{ g}$   
 purity =  $\frac{0.2148}{0.382} \times 100$   
 =  $56.2 \%$

### 3. Moles of $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ in solution A

mol  $\text{MnO}_4^-$  =  $0.0200 \times \frac{23.55}{1000}$   
 =  $4.71 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$   
 mol  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in  $25 \text{ cm}^3$  =  $5 \times 4.71 \times 10^{-4}$   
 =  $2.355 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 mol  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in  $500 \text{ cm}^3$  =  $2.355 \times 10^{-3} \times \frac{500}{25}$   
 =  $0.0471 \text{ mol}$

### Moles of $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ in solution made from solution A

mol  $\text{MnO}_4^-$  =  $0.0200 \times \frac{28.93}{1000}$   
 =  $5.786 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$   
 mol  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in  $25 \text{ cm}^3$  =  $5 \times 5.786 \times 10^{-4}$   
 =  $2.893 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   
 mol  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in  $200 \text{ cm}^3$  =  $2.893 \times 10^{-3} \times \frac{200}{25}$   
 =  $0.02314 \text{ mol}$   
 mol  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  in A =  $0.02314 \times \frac{500}{100}$   
 =  $0.11572 \text{ mol}$

% Fe which is  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  =  $\frac{0.0471}{0.11572} \times 100$   
 =  $40.7 \%$

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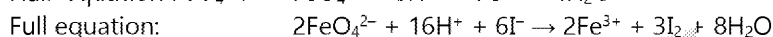
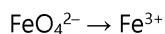
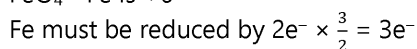
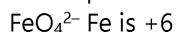


$$\begin{aligned}
 4. \quad \text{mol S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-} &= 0.01 \times \frac{31.55}{1000} \\
 &= 3.155 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol} \\
 \text{mol I}_2 \text{ in } 20 \text{ cm}^3 &= \frac{3.155 \times 10^{-4}}{2} \\
 &= 1.5775 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol} \\
 \text{mol I}_2 \text{ in } 500 \text{ cm}^3 &= \frac{500}{20} \times 1.5775 \times 10^{-4} \\
 &= 0.003944 \text{ mol}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{mol BaFeO}_4 &= 0.676 \div (137.3 + 55.8 \times 4) \\
 &= 2.629 \times 10^{-3}
 \end{aligned}$$

	I <sub>2</sub>	FeO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>
mol ratio	3.944 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>	2.629 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>
whole number	3.944 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>	2.629 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>
mol ratio	$\frac{3.944 \times 10^{-3}}{2.629 \times 10^{-3}}$	$\frac{2.629 \times 10^{-3}}{2.629 \times 10^{-3}}$
	1.5	1
	3	2

$$\text{ratio FeO}_4^{2-} : \text{I}_2 = 3 : 2$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 5. \quad \text{mol NH}_4\text{FeSO}_4 &= 0.109 \times \frac{24.50}{1000} \\
 &= 2.6705 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{mol Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} \text{ remaining} &= \frac{2.6705 \times 10^{-3}}{5} \\
 &= 4.451 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{original mol Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} &= 0.115 \times \frac{25}{1000} \\
 &= 2.875 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{mol Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} \text{ used up} &= 2.875 \times 10^{-3} - 4.451 \times 10^{-4} \\
 &= 2.4299 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{mol CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH in sample} &= \frac{3}{2} \times 2.4299 \times 10^{-3} \\
 &= 3.6449 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{mol CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH in } 500 \text{ cm}^3 &= 3.6449 \times 10^{-3} \times \frac{500}{20} \\
 &= 0.09112 \text{ mol}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{conc CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH in wine} &= 0.09112 \div \frac{100}{1000} \\
 &= 0.911 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}
 \end{aligned}$$

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6. Overall equation:  $\text{Mo}^{5+} + \text{Ce}^{4+} \rightarrow \text{Ce}^{3+} + \text{Mo}^{6+}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol Ce}^{3+} &= 0.103 \times \frac{20.05}{1000} \\ &= 2.0652 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{mol Mo}^{5+} \text{ in } 50.0 \text{ cm}^3 = 2.0652 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol Mo}^{5+} \text{ in } 200 \text{ cm}^3 &= 2.0652 \times 10^{-3} \times \frac{200}{50} \\ &= 8.26 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{r.f.m. A} &= 2.00 \div 8.26 \times 10^{-3} \\ &= 242.1 \end{aligned}$$

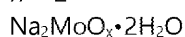
$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol A in } 1.5 \text{ g} &= \frac{1.5}{242.1} \\ &= 6.196 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mass H}_2\text{O removed} &= 1.5 - 1.28 \\ &= 0.22 \text{ g} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol H}_2\text{O removed} &= 0.22 \div 18 \\ &= 0.0122 \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

	$\text{Na}_2\text{MoO}_x \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$	$\text{H}_2\text{O}$
mol ratio	$6.196 \times 10^{-3}$	0.0122
whole number	$6.196 \times 10^{-3}$	0.0122
mol ratio	$\frac{6.196 \times 10^{-3}}{6.196 \times 10^{-3}}$	$\frac{0.0122}{6.196 \times 10^{-3}}$
	1	2

$$n = 2$$



$$\text{r.f.m. due to O}_x = 242.1 - (2 \times 23 + 96) = 2 \times (2 + 16)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 6 \\ &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

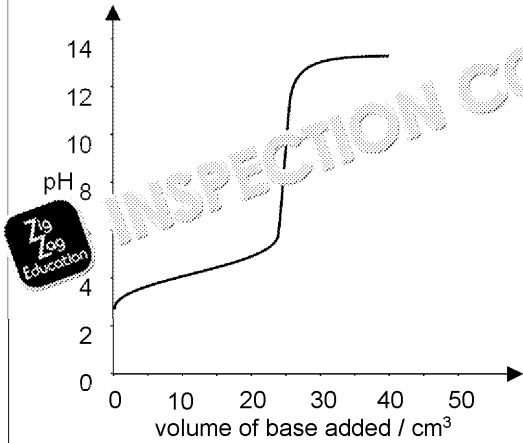


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## Exam-Style Questions: Answers

Question	Marking Guidance																				
1a	<p>starts with an upwards curve ends at 40 cm<sup>3</sup> vertical section at 25 cm<sup>3</sup></p>  <p>14 12 10 pH 8 4 2 0</p> <p>0 10 20 30 40 50</p> <p>volume of base added / cm<sup>3</sup></p>																				
1bi	<table><tr><td></td><td>Rough</td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>Start volume (cm<sup>3</sup>)</td><td>0.00</td><td>0.10</td><td>0.05</td><td>0.00</td></tr><tr><td>End volume (cm<sup>3</sup>)</td><td>33.35</td><td>31.15</td><td>31.15</td><td>31.10</td></tr><tr><td>Volume of NaOH (cm<sup>3</sup>)</td><td>33.35</td><td>31.05</td><td>31.10</td><td>31.10</td></tr></table> <p>Mean titre = <math>\frac{31.05 + 31.10 + 31.10}{3}</math> = 31.08 cm<sup>3</sup></p>		Rough	1	2	3	Start volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.00	0.10	0.05	0.00	End volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	33.35	31.15	31.15	31.10	Volume of NaOH (cm <sup>3</sup> )	33.35	31.05	31.10	31.10
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1bii	<p>mol NaOH = <math>0.100 \times \frac{31.08}{1000}</math> = <math>3.108 \times 10^{-3}</math> mol</p> <p>mol organic acid = <math>3.108 \times 10^{-3}</math> mol</p> <p>conc organic acid = <math>\frac{3.108 \times 10^{-3} \times 25}{1000}</math> = 0.024 mol dm<sup>-3</sup></p>																				
1c	<p><math>K_a = \frac{[H^+][A^-]}{[HA]}</math></p> <p><math>[H^+] = [A^-]</math></p> <p><math>K_a = \frac{[H^+]^2}{[HA]}</math></p> <p><math>[H^+] = \sqrt{K_a \times [HA]}</math> = <math>\sqrt{7.41 \times 10^{-4} \times 0.150}</math> = 0.01054 mol dm<sup>-3</sup></p> <p><math>K_w = [H^+] \times [OH^-]</math></p> <p><math>[OH^-] = \frac{K_w}{[H^+]}</math> = <math>\frac{1 \times 10^{-14}}{0.01054}</math> = <math>9.48 \times 10^{-13}</math> mol dm<sup>-3</sup></p>																				

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Question	Marking guidance
1di	$\text{H}_3\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}_7 \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}_7^- + \text{H}^+$ $\text{H}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}_7^-$ reacts with $\text{HCl} / \text{H}^+$ Equilibrium position shifts left to reduce the concentration of $\text{H}^+$ again / $\text{H}^+$ concentration
1dii	$[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-5}$ $= 1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ $K_a = 7.41 \times 10^{-4}$ $K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]}$ assume $[\text{NaOH}] = [\text{A}^-]$ $K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{NaOH}]}{[\text{HA}]_{\text{initial}}}$ $[\text{H}^+]_{\text{initial}} = \frac{K_a}{[\text{NaOH}]} + [\text{NaOH}]$ $= \frac{1 \times 10^{-5} \times 0.1}{7.41 \times 10^{-4}} + 0.1$ $= 0.101 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

Question	Marking guidance
2	<p><b>Stage 1: Acid is in excess</b>                      'Hydrochloric acid must be in excess.'  <math>\text{mol HCl} = 0.150 \times \frac{100}{1000}</math>  <math>= 0.015 \text{ mol}</math>                      2 : 1 ratio <math>\text{HCl} : \text{CaCO}_3</math>  <math>\text{max. mol CaCO}_3 = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.015</math>  <math>= 7.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}</math>  <math>\text{max. mass CaCO}_3 = 7.5 \times 10^{-3} \times (40.1 + 12 + 3 \times 16)</math>  <math>= 0.751 \text{ g}</math></p> <p><b>Stage 2: Experimental method</b>                      Measure <math>100 \text{ cm}^3</math> <math>\text{HCl}</math> (with a pipette) and add the mass of calcite weighed into a <b>conical flask</b>.                      Titrate: standard solution / <math>0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}</math> / <math>0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}</math> <math>\text{NaOH}</math> in a <b>conical flask</b> and record the volume when the <b>indicator changes</b>.</p> <p><b>Stage 3: Calculate mol <math>\text{CaCO}_3</math></b>  <math>\text{mol NaOH} = \frac{\text{volume of NaOH in cm}^3}{1000} \times [\text{NaOH}]</math>  <b>AND</b> <math>\text{mol HCl} = 7.5 \times 10^{-3} - \text{mol NaOH}</math>  <b>AND</b> <math>\text{mol CaCO}_3 = \frac{\text{mol HCl}}{2}</math></p> <p><b>Stage 4: Calculate purity</b>  <math>\text{mass CaCO}_3 = \text{moles CaCO}_3 \times 100</math>  <b>AND</b> <math>\text{Purity} = \frac{\text{mass CaCO}_3}{\text{mass of solid}}</math></p>

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Question	Marking Guidance
3a	$\text{Cu}^{2+} + \text{e}^{-} \rightarrow \text{Cu}^{+}$
3b	Because it might react with sodium thiosulfate, causing the result / titre / percentage by mass to be inaccurate
3c	Indicator
3d	$\text{mol Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3 = \frac{37.20}{1000} \times 0.01$ $= 0.000372 \text{ mol}$ $\text{mol I}_2 = \frac{0.000372}{2}$ $= 0.000186 \text{ mol}$ $\text{mol I}_2 \text{ in } 250 \text{ cm}^3 = 0.000186 \times \frac{250}{25}$ $= 0.00186 \text{ mol}$ $\text{mol Cu in ring} = 0.00186 \times 2$ $= 0.00372 \text{ mol}$ $\text{Mass Cu in ring} = 0.00372 \times 63.5$ $= 0.2362 \text{ g}$ $\% \text{ by mass Cu} = \frac{0.2362}{0.945} \times 100$ $= 25.0 \%$

Question	Marking Guidance
4	<p>Full equation: <math>2\text{MnO}_4^{-} + 5\text{SO}_3^{2-} + 6\text{H}^{+} \rightarrow 2\text{Mn}^{2+} + 5\text{SO}_4^{2-} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}</math></p> $\text{mol MnO}_4^{-} = 0.015 \times \frac{1000}{1000}$ $= 0.015 \text{ mol}$ $\text{mol SO}_3^{2-} = 4.92 \times 10^{-4}$ $= 1.23 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$ $\text{mol SO}_3^{2-} \text{ in } 200 \text{ cm}^3 = 1.23 \times 10^{-3} \times \frac{200}{25}$ $= 9.84 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$ $\text{r.f.m. M}_2\text{SO}_3 = \frac{1.24}{9.84 \times 10^{-3}}$ $= 126.0$ $\text{r.f.m. M} = \frac{126.0 - (32.1 + 3 \times 16)}{2}$ $= 23$ <p><math>\text{M}^{+} = \text{Na}^{+}</math></p>

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## Quick Quiz

1.  $\text{H}^+$
2. Neutralisation
3. hydrochloric acid + potassium hydroxide  $\rightarrow$  potassium chloride  
 $\text{HCl} \quad \quad \quad \text{KOH} \quad \quad \quad \text{KCl}$
4. Neutral
5. pH meter  
(universal indicator)
6.  $\frac{3}{9} = 0.33 \text{ dm}^{-3}$
7. Any three from:
  - burette
  - pipette
  - beaker
  - conical flask
  - clamp / clamp stand / retort stand
  - funnel
  - white tile
  - measuring cylinder
8. Strong acids / sulfuric acid / **solution 1** dissociate(s) more easily than weak acids /
9. a)  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 + 2\text{NaOH} \rightarrow \text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
b) 0.24 mol
10. a) Fe  
b) C  
c) O

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