

## Lec. 3

### Volumetric Analysis

**Titration:** A method for a quantitative analysis of a substance by an essentially complete reaction in solution with a measured quantity of a reagent of known concentration

**Equivalence point:** The point in a titration at which one reactant has been exactly consumed by addition of the other reactant

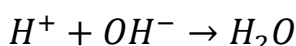
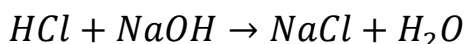
**End point:** The point in a titration at which the indicator signals that amount of the first reactant has been added to the second reactant

#### Types of volumetric analysis( titration)

1. Acid - base titration ( neutralization titration)
2. oxidation - reduction titration (redox titration)
3. Precipitation titration
4. Complexometric titration

#### Acid-base titration

An acid-base titration is the determination of the concentration of an acid or base by exactly neutralizing the acid or base with an acid or base of known concentration. This allows for quantitative analysis of the concentration of an unknown acid or base solution. It makes use of the neutralization reaction that occurs between acids and bases.



**The key equipment used in a titration are:**

- Burette
- White tile - used to see a colour change in the solution

- Pipette
- pH indicator (the one used varies depending on the reactants)
- Erlenmeyer flask (Conical flask)
- Titrant or titrator (a standard solution of known concentration, a common one is aqueous sodium carbonate)
- Analyte or titrand (solution of unknown concentration)

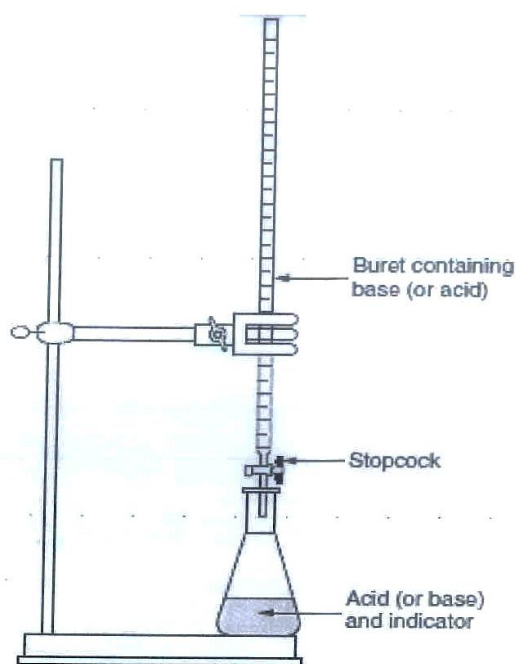


figure : General acid–base titration set-up

## Acid-Base Indicator Definition

Definition: An acid-base indicator is either a **weak acid** or **weak base** that exhibits a color change as the concentration of hydrogen ( $H^+$ ) or hydroxide ( $OH^-$ ) **ions** changes in an **aqueous solution**.

Also Known As: pH indicator

Examples:

Thymol Blue, Phenol Red and Methyl Orange are all common acid-base indicators. Red cabbage can also be used as an acid-base indicator.

### **Standard solution**

Is one which contains known weight of the reagent in a definite volume of the solution. The weight of the substance to be determined is then calculated (using the laws of a chemical) from the volume of the standard solution and the known equivalence. The ideal standard solution for a volumetric method will

- 1- Be sufficiently stable it is necessary to determine its conc.
- 2- React rapidly with analyte

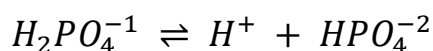
### **Desirable properties of standard material**

- 1- Absence of hydrate water so that the composition does not change with variation in relative humidity.
- 2- Stability in air.
- 3- Ready availability at modest cost.
- 4- Reasonable solubility in the titration medium.
- 5- High purity.
- 6- Reasonable large formula weight so that the relative error associated with weighing is minimized.

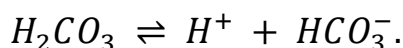
### **Buffer solutions**

A buffer is an aqueous solution consisting of a mixture of a weak acid and its conjugate base or a weak base and its conjugate acid. Its pH changes very little when a small amount of strong acid or base is added to it and thus it is used to prevent changes in the pH of a solution. Buffer solutions are used as a means of keeping pH at a nearly constant value in a wide variety of chemical applications.

**Biochemical buffers** :- Phosphate and bicarbonates are important in biochemical buffers. The phosphate system, which acts in the cytoplasm of all cells, consist of  $H_2PO_4^{-1}$  as a proton donor and  $HPO_4^{-2}$  as a proton acceptor



Blood plasma is buffered in part by the bicarbonate system, consisting of carbonic acid ( $H_2CO_3$ ) as a proton donor and bicarbonate ( $HCO_3^-$ ) as a proton acceptor.



### Methods expressing concentration of solution and calculation of volumetric analysis

The different concentration indicated by different method:

#### **1. Formality:**

Is defined as the number of gram - formula weights of solute per liter of solution

$$F = \frac{Wt}{F.W} \times \frac{1000}{V ml}$$

Wt = Weight

F.W = Formula Weight

#### **2. Morality:**

Is defined as the number of moles (gram - molecular weight) of solute per liter of solution

$$M = \frac{Wt}{M.Wt} \times \frac{1000}{V ml}$$

Wt = Weight

M. Wt = Molecular Weight

#### **3. Normality:**

Is defined as the number of gram - equivalent weights of solute per liter of solution

$$N = \frac{Wt}{Eq.Wt} \times \frac{1000}{V ml}$$

Eq. Wt = Equivalent weight

Eq. Wt = Atomic weight / Oxidation number

#### 4. Percent concentration:

Chemists frequently express concentrations in terms of percent (Part per hundred).

The concentration of a weight percentage composition solution is the number of grams of solute per 100 grams of solution three common methods are

$$\text{Weight percent } \left(\frac{W}{W}\right) = \frac{\text{Wt of solute}}{\text{Wt of soln}} \times 100$$

$$\text{Volume percent } \left(\frac{V}{V}\right) = \frac{\text{Volume of solute}}{\text{Volume of soln}} \times 100$$

$$\text{Weight/Volume percent } \left(\frac{W}{V}\right) = \frac{\text{Wt of solute (g)}}{\text{Volume soln, ml}} \times 100$$

#### 5. Molality:

It is the number of moles of solute per 1000 grams of solvent

$$\text{Molality} = \frac{\text{No. of moles of solute}}{1000 \text{ g of solvent}}$$

6. **Parts per million (ppm) and parts per billion (ppb):-** are used for extremely small concentrations

$$\text{ppm} = \frac{\text{Mass of solute}}{\text{Mass of solution}} \times 10^6$$

$$\text{ppb} = \frac{\text{Mass of solute}}{\text{Mass of solution}} \times 10^9$$

### Preparation of standard solution

If a reagent is available in the pure state, a solution of definite normality is prepared simply by weighing out an equivalent weight, dissolving it in the solvent, usually water, and making up the solution to a known volume when the reagent is not available in the pure form as in the cases of most alkali hydroxides some inorganic acids, solution of the approximate normality required are first prepared.

These are then standardized by titration against a solution of a pure substance of known normality this indirect method is employed for the preparation of solution of most acid.

1- The gram - equivalent weight of an acid:

The weight of the acid which will furnish 1.008 gram of hydrogen as hydrogen ion  $H^+$

$$g. eq. wt of an acid = \frac{Gram - formula weight}{No. of H +}$$

2- The gram -equivalent weight of a base:

It is that weight of base in grams containing one gram equivalent of the hydroxyl radical  $OH$

$$g. eq. wt of a base = \frac{Gram - formula weight}{No. of OH -}$$

3- The gram - equivalent weight of salt:

It is that weight of salt which contains one gram equivalent weight of the cation or an ion. This quantity will be molecular weight of the salt divided by the total valence of the cation or anion.

4- The gram - equivalent weight of an oxidant or reductant (redox):

It is molecular weight divided by the number of electrons which (1) mole of the substance gains or losses in the reaction.

$$g. eq. wt of reductant or oxidizing agent = \frac{Gram - formula weight}{No. of electron gained or lost per molecule}$$

### **Calculation of Molarity or Normality from the labels bottle**

Usually the write very important information on the label of the bottle which contains the reagent such as:

- Density or specific gravity (Sp.gr)

- Concentration in percent %

From the above data we can calculate the normality or molarity of the reagent inside the bottle by using the following:

$$M = \frac{1000 \times \text{specific gravity} \times \text{percentage ratio \%}}{M. wt}$$

$$N = \frac{1000 \times \text{specific gravity} \times \text{percentage ratio \%}}{Eq. wt}$$

Dilution is one of the methods for preparing solutions of the desired normality. If  $N_1$  and  $V_1$  are the original normality and volume respectively,  $N_2$  and  $V_2$  are the normality and volume of the same solution of dilution then:

$$(N_1)(V_1) = (N_2)(V_2)$$

**Equivalent weight in neutralization reactions :-** The equivalent weight of acid is that weight of it which contains one-gramatom of replaceable hydrogen.

$$\text{Eq. wt. acid} = \text{M. wt. of acid} / \text{No. of active H}^+$$

**The equivalent weight of base is that weight of it which contains one replaceable hydroxyl group.**

$$\text{Eq. wt. base} = \text{M. wt. of base} / \text{No. of active OH}^-$$

$$\text{Examples:: Eq. wt of H}_2\text{SO}_4 = \text{M. Wt. H}_2\text{SO}_4 / 2$$

$$\text{Eq. wt. of H}_3\text{PO}_4 = \text{M. wt. of H}_3\text{PO}_4 / 3$$

$$\text{Eq. wt. of Ca(OH)}_2 = \text{M. wt of Ca(OH)}_2 / 2$$