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Determination of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  and  $\text{NaOH}$  in  
a mixture by titration

**Expt. No. : 1**

## Experiment



### □ Aim :

To determine the amount of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  and  $\text{NaOH}$  in a mixture using hydrochloric acid.

### □ Apparatus required:

Conical flask, 100 mL standard flask, 20 mL pipette burette, funnel, glass rod.

### □ Chemicals required:

Hydrochloric acid, phenolphthalein indicator, methyl orange indicator, distilled water and mixture solution.

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## Water standard, IS 10500:2012



**Table 1 Organoleptic and Physical Parameters**  
(Foreword and Clause 4)

Sl No.	Characteristic	Requirement (Acceptable Limit)	Permissible Limit in the Absence of Alternate Source	Method of Test, Ref to Part of IS 3025	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
i)	Colour, Hazen units, <i>Max</i>	5	15	Part 4	Extended to 15 only, if toxic substances are not suspected in absence of alternate sources
ii)	Odour	Agreeable	Agreeable	Part 5	a) Test cold and when heated b) Test at several dilutions
iii)	pH value	6.5-8.5	No relaxation	Part 11	—
iv)	Taste	Agreeable	Agreeable	Parts 7 and 8	Test to be conducted only after safety has been established
v)	Turbidity, NTU, <i>Max</i>	1	5	Part 10	—
vi)	Total dissolved solids, mg/l, <i>Max</i>	500	2 000	Part 16	—

NOTE — It is recommended that the acceptable limit is to be implemented. Values in excess of those mentioned under 'acceptable' render the water not suitable, but still may be tolerated in the absence of an alternative source but up to the limits indicated under 'permissible limit in the absence of alternate source' in col 4, above which the sources will have to be rejected.

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## Acid-base titration



- ☐ A **quantitative analysis** of acids and bases; through this process, an acid or base of **known concentration** neutralizes an acid or base of **unknown concentration**.
- ☐ The titration progress can be monitored by **visual indicators**
- ☐ The reaction's **equivalence point** is the point at which the titrant has **exactly neutralized** the acid or base in the unknown analyte; if you know the volume and concentration of the titrant at the equivalence point, **you can calculate the concentration of a base or acid in the unknown solution**.

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## Acid-base indicators



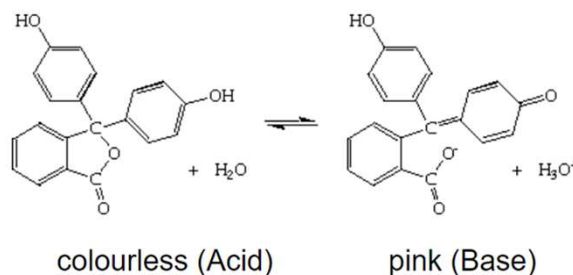
- ☐ Acid - base indicators (also known as pH indicators) are substances which change color with pH.
- ☐ They are usually weak acids or bases
- ☐ Consider an indicator which is a weak acid, with the formula HI. At equilibrium, the following chemical equation is established
 

$$\text{HI} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ + \text{I}^-$$
- ☐ The acid, HI, and the conjugate base,  $\text{I}^-$ , have different colors.
- ☐ Common examples include phenolphthalein and methyl orange.

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## Phenolphthalein indicator



- ❑ Under acidic conditions, the equilibrium is to the left, and the concentration of the anions is too low for the pink colour to be observed. (**phthalein class of dye**)
- ❑ However, under alkaline conditions, the equilibrium is to the right, and the concentration of the anion becomes sufficient for the pink colour to be observed. **pH range : 8 – 9.8**

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## Phenolphthalein indicator contd..



- ❑ As an indicator of a solution's pH, phenolphthalein is **colorless below pH 8.2** and attains a **pink to deep red hue above pH 9.0.**



Increasing pH

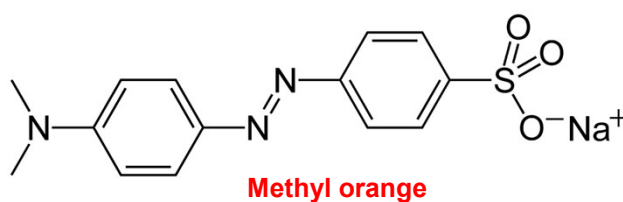
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## Methyl orange indicator



- ❑ Methyl orange ( $C_{14}H_{14}N_3NaO_3S$ ) is a water soluble **azo dye** that shows color change in the **pH range of 3.1 to 4.4**
- ❑ Because it changes color at the  $pK_a$  of a mid strength acid, it is usually used in titration for acids
- ❑ Methyl orange has a  $pK_a$  of 3.47 in water at 25 °C



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## Methyl orange indicator contd..



- ❑ Methyl orange is a pH indicator frequently used in titration because of its clear and distinct color variance at different pH values. Methyl orange shows red color in acidic medium and yellow color in basic medium



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## Principle (double indicator)



- ❑ The titration of a mixture of NaOH and Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> with a standardized HCl solution has two **equivalence points**.
- ❑ The first equivalence point is due to the conversion of all the carbonate to bicarbonate and sodium hydroxide to sodium chloride as follows:
 
$$\text{NaOH} + \text{HCl} \rightarrow \text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$$

$$\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 + \text{HCl} \rightarrow \text{NaHCO}_3 + \text{NaCl}$$
- ❑ The pH of the resulting solution is around 8 therefore phenolphthalein could be used as an indicator.
- ❑ At the end point, all the hydroxide ions (OH<sup>-</sup>) and only half of the carbonate ions (CO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>) are reacted with hydrochloric acid.

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- ❑ As can be seen, when we go on adding more and more of HCl, the pH of the solution keeps on falling.
- ❑ When Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> is converted to NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, completely, the solution is weakly basic due to the presence of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (which is a weaker base as compared to Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>).
- ❑ At this instant phenolphthalein changes colour since it requires this weakly basic solution to change its colour.
- ❑ Therefore, remember that phenolphthalein changes colour only when the weakly basic NaHCO<sub>3</sub> is present.

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## Principle contd..



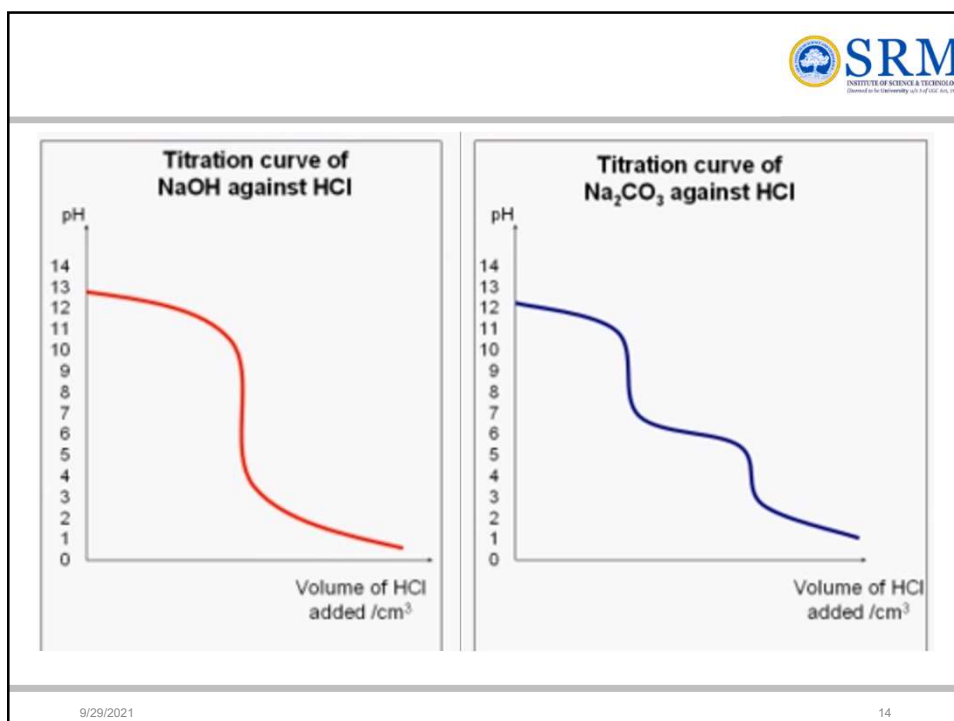
- The second equivalence point is due to the reaction of the resulting bicarbonate with an excess of HCl solution as follows:



- In this stage methyl orange is used to find the equivalence point because the pH of the solution at this point will be around 3.8
- When the titration is continued with methyl orange indicator, the remaining half of  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  ions will be neutralized with HCl at the end point

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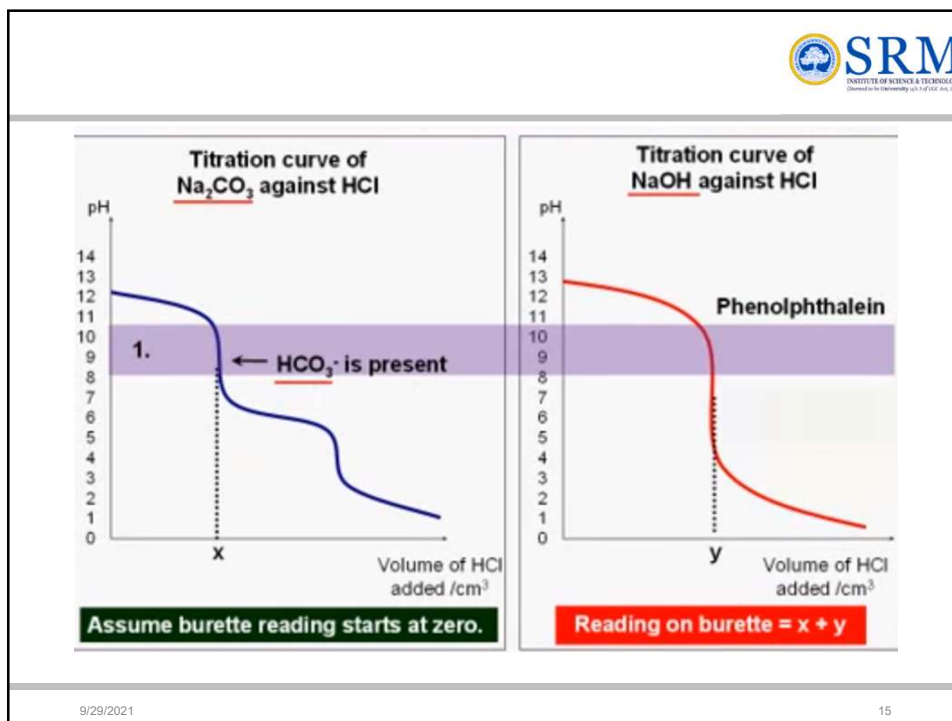
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## Procedure

### Titration I : Standardization of HCl

- ☐ Pipette out **20 ml of 0.05 N  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$**  solution into a clean conical flask and add 2-3 drops of methyl orange indicator to the solution.
- ☐ Then titrate the solution against hydrochloric acid taken in the burette.
- ☐ Record end point (burette reading) when color changes from yellow to orange (orange red).
- ☐ Repeat the titration till the concordant (two consecutive burette readings exactly same) value is obtained.

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**Sodium hydroxide NaOH** is not used as a *primary standard* solution *Why?*

$$2\text{NaOH} + \text{CO}_2 \rightarrow \text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$$

So, the commercial sample of solid sodium hydroxide contains a quantity of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$

Commercially available NaOH contains impurities of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ , and also readily absorbs  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  from the atmosphere

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## Procedure



### Titration II: Estimation of $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ and NaOH in a given mixture

- ☐ Dilute the given unknown solution to **100 ml** in a standard flask using distilled water.
- ☐ Pipette out **20 ml** of this made up solution into a clean conical flask. Add 2-3 drops of phenolphthalein indicator to the solution and titrate against standardized HCl.
- ☐ Record the burette reading as an end point (phenolphthalein end point) of the titration when **disappearance of pink color is observed.**
- ☐ Consider the burette reading at the end point be '**A**' ml.

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## Procedure

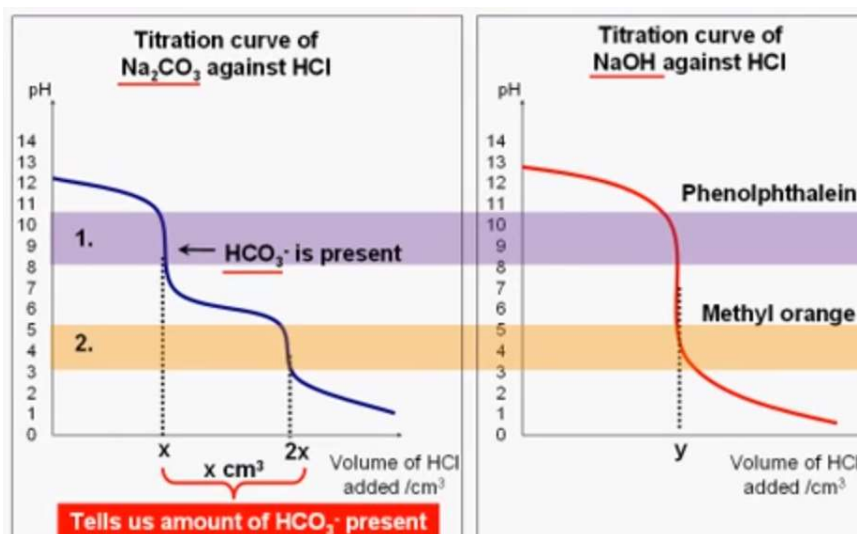


### Titration II: Estimation of $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ and $\text{NaOH}$ in a given mixture

- ❑ To the same solution, add 2-3 drops of methyl orange indicator and continue the titration till the color changes from **yellow to orange**
- ❑ Note down the burette reading as methyl orange end point. Consider it to be '**X**' ml.
- ❑ Repeat the titration till the concordant (two consecutive burette readings exactly same) **value for A and X is obtained.**

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## Calculation (principle)



- **A** = all hydroxide ions + half of carbonate ions (Volume of HCl used for NaOH neutralization + Volume of HCl used for half  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  neutralization)
- **B** = half the carbonate ions after phenolphthalein end point (Volume of HCl for half neutralization of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ )  **$B = X - A$**
- **2B** = all carbonate ions (Volume of HCl used for total neutralization of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ )
- **A - B** = all hydroxide ions (Volume of HCl used for total neutralization of NaOH)

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## Tabular column



### Titration 1 : Standardization of HCl

S.No.	Volume of sodium carbonate solution (ml)	Burette reading		Concordant Value	Indicator
		Initial	Final		
					Methyl orange (2-3 drops)

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## Calculation



$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Volume of HCl} &= V_1 \text{ ml (end point)} \\
 \text{Normality of HCl} &= \text{-----} ? N_1 \\
 \text{Volume of Na}_2\text{CO}_3 (V_2) &= 20 \text{ ml} \\
 \text{Normality of Na}_2\text{CO}_3 (N_2) &= 0.1\text{N} \quad \mathbf{0.05\text{ N}} \\
 \text{Normality of HCl } (N_1) &= (20 \times 0.1) / V_1 \\
 &= \text{-----} \text{ N}
 \end{aligned}$$

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## Tabular column



### Titration II: Estimation of $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ and $\text{NaOH}$ in a given mixture.

Sl. No.	Volume of pipette solution (mL)	Burette Reading (mL)			Concordant Value	
		Initial	Vol. consu. Phenolphthalein end point (A)	Vol. consu. Methyl orange end point (X)	Phenolphthalein	Methyl orange

**Vol. consumed for methyl orange end point after phenolphthalein end point  $B = X - A$**

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## Calculation



### I Estimation of the amount of $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$

Volume of HCl  $V_1$  = 2B (B is the titre value, after phenolphthalein end point)

Normality of HCl =  $N_1$  (from Titration I)

Volume of mixture  $V_2$  = 20 ml

Normality of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$   $N_2$  =  $V_1 N_1 / V_2$   
 =  $2B \times N_1 / 20$

Amount of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  present in whole of the given solution =  $N_2 \times 53$  (Eq. wt. of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ )

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## Calculation



### II Estimation of amount of NaOH:

Volume of HCl  $V_1$  = (A-B) ml

Normality of HCl ( $N_1$ ) =  $N_1$  (from Titration I)

Volume of mixture  $V_2$  = 20 ml

Normality of NaOH  $N_2$  =  $V_1 \times N_1 / 20$   
 =  $(A-B) \times N_1 / 20$

Amount of NaOH present in whole of the given solution =  $N_2 \times 40$  (Eq. wt. of NaOH)

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**Table-I**

Sl. No.	Volume of pipette solution (mL)	Burette reading (mL)		Concordant Value	Indicator
		Initial	Final		
1	20	0	19.6	19.6	<i>Methyl orange</i>
2	20	0	19.6		

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**Table-II**

Sl. No.	Volume of pipette solution (mL)	Burette Reading (mL)			Concordant Value	
		Initial	Vol. consu. Phenolphthalein end point (A)	Vol. consu. Methyl orange end point (X)	Phenolphthalein	Methyl orange
1	20	0	23.9	32.8	23.9	32.8
2	20	0	23.9	32.8		

- ☐ Phenolphthalein endpoint (Concordant value) = A = 23.9 mL  
☐ Methyl orange endpoint (Concordant value) = X = 32.8 mL  
☐ Vol. consumed for methyl orange end point after phenolphthalein end point after **B = X - A = 32.8 - 23.9 = 8.9 mL**

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## Result



- ☐ Normality of the given HCl solution = -----
- ☐ Amount of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  present in the given solution = -----
- ☐ Amount of NaOH present in the given solution = -----

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## Calculation, standardisation



Volume of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  solution  $V_2$  = 20 mL

Normality of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  solution  $N_2$  = 0.05 N (given in bottle)

Volume of HCl solution  $V_1$  = 19.6 mL

Normality of HCl solution  $N_1$  = **0.051 N**

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## Calculation



### Estimation of amount of $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$

Volume of HCl solution (2B)  $V_1 = 17.8 \text{ mL}$

Normality of HCl solution  $N_1 = 0.051 \text{ N}$

Volume of mixture  $V_2 = 20 \text{ mL}$

Normality of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$   $N_2 =$

$$= 17.8/20 \times 0.051 = 0.04539 \text{ N}$$

Normality of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 = 0.04539 \text{ N}$

Amount of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 = \underline{\underline{0.2405 \text{ g}}}$

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## Calculation



### Estimation of amount of NaOH

Volume of HCl solution  $V_1 = A-B = (23.9 - 8.9) \text{ mL} = 15 \text{ mL}$

Normality of HCl solution  $N_1 = 0.051 \text{ N}$

Volume of mixture  $V_2 = 20 \text{ mL}$

Normality of NaOH  $N_2 = 0.03825 \text{ N}$

Amount of NaOH  $= \underline{\underline{0.153 \text{ g}}}$

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