

Numerical on Hardness

Simple Hardness

1. How many grams of MgSO_4 dissolved per litre gives 84ppm of hardness. **Ans: 0.1008 gram**
2. A water sample contains 204ppm of CaSO_4 . Calculate the hardness. **Ans: 150ppm.**
3. Calculate temporary, permanent and total hardness of water sample containing:
 $\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2=14.6\text{mg/L}$, $\text{MgCl}_2=19.0\text{mg/L}$, $\text{MgSO}_4=24\text{mg/L}$, $\text{CaCl}_2=22.2\text{mg/L}$, $\text{NaCl}=5.35\text{ mg/L}$.
Ans: 10ppm, 60ppm, 70ppm.
4. A water sample on analysis was found to contain the following impurities:
 $\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2=7.3\text{mg/L}$, $\text{Ca}(\text{HCO}_3)_2=16.2\text{mg/L}$, $\text{MgSO}_4=12.0\text{mg/L}$, $\text{CaSO}_4=13.6,\text{g/L}$, $\text{K}_2\text{SO}_4=5.35\text{ mg/L}$.
Calculate temporary, permanent and total hardness of water sample.
Ans: 15ppm, 20ppm, 35ppm.

Zeolite Process

1. A zeolite bed on softening 7000 liters of hard water required 60 liters of 10% NaCl solution for regeneration. Calculate the hardness of water in ppm. **Ans: 732.6 ppm.**
2. A water sample having hardness 250ppm was softened by zeolite process. The exhausted zeolite bed required 50 liters of 15% NaCl solution for regeneration. Calculate the quantity of water softened using the zeolite bed. **Ans: 25641 liters.**
3. A zeolite bed got exhausted after softening 5000 liters of hard water. Hardness of water was 250ppm. How many liters of 10% NaCl solution would be required to regenerate zeolite bed. **Ans: 14.7 liters.**
4. A zeolite softener was 90% exhausted when 10000 liters of hard water was passed through it. The softener required 200 liters of NaCl of strength 5gram/L. Find the hardness of water. **Ans: 85.47ppm.**

Lime-Soda Process

1. Calculate the amount of lime and soda required for softening of 50000 liters of hard water containing:
 $\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2=14.6\text{mg/L}$, $\text{MgCl}_2=19.0\text{mg/L}$, $\text{MgSO}_4=24\text{mg/L}$, $\text{CaCl}_2=22.2\text{mg/L}$.
Ans: Lime: 2.22 kg, and Soda: 3.18kg
2. Calculate the amount of lime and soda required for softening of 10000 liters of hard water containing:
 $\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2=7.3\text{mg/L}$, $\text{Ca}(\text{HCO}_3)_2=16.2\text{mg/L}$, $\text{MgSO}_4=12.0\text{mg/L}$, $\text{CaSO}_4=13.6,\text{g/L}$, $\text{HCL}=3.65\text{ mg/L}$.
Ans: Lime: 0.259 kg, and Soda: 0.265kg
3. Calculate the amount of lime (74% pure) and soda (90% pure) required for softening of 50000 liters of hard water containing: $\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2=73.0\text{mg/L}$, $\text{CaCl}_2=222.0\text{mg/L}$, $\text{MgSO}_4=120.0\text{mg/L}$, $\text{Ca}(\text{NO}_2)_2=164.0\text{mg/L}$.
Ans: Lime: 1.0 kg, and Soda: 2.356kg
4. Calculate the amount of lime and soda required for softening of 15000 liters of hard water which analyzed as follows: Temporary Ca Hardness=20ppm, Total Permanent Hardness=15ppm and Permanent Mg Hardness=10ppm.
Ans: Lime: 330gm, and Soda: 238.5gm

Ques 3: → Calculate temp, perm & total hardness of water sample containing
 $\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2 = 14.6 \text{ mg/L}$, $\text{MgCl}_2 = 19.0 \text{ mg/L}$, $\text{MgSO}_4 = 24 \text{ mg/L}$, $\text{CaCl}_2 = 22.2 \text{ mg/L}$
 $\text{NaCl} = 5.35 \text{ mg/L}$

Ans:-

CaCO_3 eqn

$$\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2 = 14.6 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$= 14.6 \times \frac{100}{146} = 10 \text{ ppm}$$

$$\text{MgCl}_2 = 19.0 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$= 19.0 \times \frac{100}{95} = 20 "$$

$$\text{MgSO}_4 = 24 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$= 24 \times \frac{100}{120} = 20 "$$

$$\text{CaCl}_2 = 22.2 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$= 22.2 \times \frac{100}{111} = 20 "$$

$$\text{NaCl} = 5.35 \text{ mg/L}$$

do not create hardness

$$\text{Temp. hardness} = 10 \text{ ppm}$$

$$\text{Perm} \quad " \quad = 20 + 20 + 20 = 60 \text{ ppm}$$

$$\text{Total} \quad " \quad = 10 + 60 = 70 \text{ ppm}$$

Ques 1:- How many grams of MgSO_4 dissolved per litres gives 84 ppm hardness.

Ans:-

$$\text{Hardness due to salt} = \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eqn of salt} = \frac{\text{Amount of salt}}{\text{mg/L or ppm}} \times \frac{\text{m. wt of CaCO}_3 (100)}{\text{m. wt of salt}}$$

$$84 = \text{Amount of salt} \times \frac{100}{120}$$

$$\text{Amount of salt} = 100.8 \text{ mg/L} = 0.1008 \text{ g/L}$$

Ques 2:- A water sample contains 204 ppm of CaSO_4 . Calculate the hardness

Ans:-

$$\text{Hardness} = 204 \times \frac{100}{136} = 150 \text{ ppm}$$

Ques 4 - A water sample on analysis was found to contain the following impurities.

$$\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2 = 73 \text{ mg/L}, \text{Ca}(\text{HCO}_3)_2 = 16.2 \text{ mg/L}, \text{MgSO}_4 = 12.0 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$\text{CaSO}_4 = 13.6 \text{ mg/L}, \text{K}_2\text{SO}_4 = 5.35 \text{ mg/L}$$

Ans 4:

$$\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2 = 7.3 \text{ ppm}$$

$$\text{Ca}(\text{HCO}_3)_2 = 16.2 "$$

$$\text{MgSO}_4 = 12.0 "$$

$$\text{CaSO}_4 = 13.6 "$$

$$\text{K}_2\text{SO}_4 = 5.35 "$$

CaCO₃ eqn

$$= 7.3 \times \frac{100}{146} = 5 \text{ ppm}$$

$$= 16.2 \times \frac{100}{162} = 10 "$$

$$= 12.0 \times \frac{100}{120} = 10 "$$

$$= 13.6 \times \frac{100}{136} = 10 "$$

do not create hardness.

$$\text{Temporary hardness} = 5 + 10 = 15 \text{ ppm}$$

$$\text{Permanent} \quad " \quad = 10 + 10 = 20 "$$

$$\text{Total} \quad " \quad = 15 + 20 = 35 \text{ ppm.}$$

Ques 1

Zeolite process

A zeolite bed on softening 7000 liters of hard water required 6 liters of 10% NaCl soln for regeneration. Calculate the hardness of water in ppm.

Ans:-

$$100 \text{ ml of NaCl contains} = 10 \text{ gram of NaCl.}$$

$$1000 \quad " \quad " \quad " \quad = 100 \times 10^3 \text{ mg of NaCl.}$$

$$60 \text{ liters} \quad " \quad " \quad " \quad = 60 \times 100 \times 10^3$$

$$= 6 \times 10^6 \text{ mg of NaCl}$$

$$= 6 \times 10^6 \times \frac{50}{58.5} \text{ mg of CaCO}_3 \text{ eqn}$$

According to zeolite process:

Amount of water softened by zeolite bed \equiv Amount of NaCl required for regeneration.

$$\Rightarrow 7000 \text{ liters of hard water} \equiv 60 \text{ liters of 10\% NaCl soln}$$

$$" \quad " \quad " \quad " \quad = 6 \times 10^6 \times \frac{50}{58.5} \text{ mg of CaCO}_3 \text{ eqn}$$

$$1 \quad " \quad " \quad " \quad = \frac{6 \times 10^6 \times 50}{7000 \times 58.5} \quad " \quad " \quad "$$

$$1 \quad " \quad " \quad " \quad = 732.6 \text{ mg of CaCO}_3 \text{ eqn}$$

Ques 2: A water sample having hardness 250 ppm was softened by Zeolite process. The exhausted zeolite bed required 50 liters of 15% NaCl soln for regeneration. Calculate the quantity of water softened by zeolite bed.

Ans: 100 ml of NaCl solution contains = 15 gram of NaCl
 1000 " " " " = 150×10^3 mg of NaCl.
 50 liters " " " = $150 \times 10^3 \times 50$
 = 7.5×10^6 mg of NaCl
 = $7.5 \times 10^6 \times \frac{50}{58.5}$ mg of CaCO_3 eqn.
 \Rightarrow Suppose x liters of hard water is softened by zeolite bed

Then
 x liters of hard water = $7.5 \times 10^6 \times \frac{50}{58.5}$ mg of CaCO_3 eqn
 1 " " " = $\frac{7.5 \times 10^6 \times 50}{x \times 58.5}$ " " " "

$$\Rightarrow \frac{7.5 \times 10^6}{x} \times \frac{50}{58.5} = 250 \Rightarrow x = 25641 \text{ liters.}$$

Ques 3: A zeolite bed got exhausted after softening 5000 liters of hard water. hardness of water was 250 ppm. How many liters of 10% NaCl soln would be required to regenerate zeolite bed.

Ans: Suppose x liters of 10% NaCl soln is required to regenerate zeolite bed.

100 ml of NaCl solution contains = 10 gram of NaCl.
 1000 " " " " = ~~100~~ 100×10^3 mg of NaCl.
 x liters " " " = $x \times 10^5$ mg of NaCl
 = $x \times 10^5 \times \frac{50}{58.5}$ mg of CaCO_3 eqn.

5000 liters of hard water = x liters of 10% NaCl
 " " " " = $x \times 10^5 \times \frac{50}{58.5}$ mg of CaCO_3 eqn
 1 " " " " = $\frac{x \times 10^5 \times 50}{5000 \times 58.5}$ " " " "

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x \times 10^5 \times 50}{5000 \times 58.5} = 250$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 14.7 \text{ liters}$$

\Rightarrow 14.7 liters of 10% NaCl is required.

Ques 4 :- A zeolite softener was 90% exhausted when 10000 litres of hard water was passed through it. The softener required 200 litres of NaCl solution strength 5 g/l. Find the hardness of water.

Ans :-
 1 litre of NaCl solution contains = 5 g of NaCl.
 200 " " " " " = $5 \times 10^3 \times 200$ mg of NaCl.
 = 10×10^6 mg of NaCl
 = $10 \times 10^6 \times \frac{50}{58.5}$ mg of CaCO_3 eqn.

10000 litres of hard water = 200 litre of NaCl of strength 5 g/L

" " " " " = $10 \times 10^6 \times \frac{50}{58.5}$ mg of CaCO_3 eqn

1 " " " " " = $\frac{10 \times 10^6 \times 50}{10000 \times 58.5}$ " " " "

hardness = 85.47 ppm.

Lime-Soda Process

Temporary hardness :-

(i) CaHCO_3 → 1 Lime [1 L]

(ii) MgHCO_3 → 2 Lime [1 L]

Permanent hardness :-

$\text{CaCl}_2, \text{CaSO}_4, \text{Ca(NO}_3)_2$ → 1 Soda [1 S]

$\text{MgCl}_2, \text{MgSO}_4, \text{Mg(NO}_3)_2$ → 1 Lime + 1 Soda [1 L + 1 S]

Acid :-

$\text{HCl}, \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4, \text{HNO}_3$ → 1 L + 1 S.

Ques 1 - Calculate the amount of Lime + Soda required for softening of 50,000 liters of water containing:

$\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2 = 14.6 \text{ mg/L}$, $\text{MgCl}_2 = 19.0 \text{ ppm}$, $\text{MgSO}_4 = 24 \text{ ppm}$, $\text{CaCl}_2 = 22.2 \text{ ppm}$

Ans

Constituent	Amount	$\text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eqn}$	L+S Required
$\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2$	14.6 ppm	$= 14.6 \times \frac{100}{146} = 10 \text{ ppm}$	2L
MgCl_2	19.0 "	$= 19 \times \frac{100}{95} = 20 "$	1L + 1S
MgSO_4	24.0 "	$= 24 \times \frac{100}{120} = 20 "$	1L + 1S
CaCl_2	22.2 "	$= 22.2 \times \frac{100}{111} = 20 "$	1S

$$\text{Lime required} = \frac{74}{100} [20 + 20 + 20] \times 50000 = 2,220,000 \text{ mg} = 2.22 \text{ Kg}$$

$$\text{Soda " } = \frac{106}{100} [20 + 20 + 20] \times 50000 = 3180000 \text{ mg} = 3.18 \text{ Kg}$$

Ques 2: Calculate the amount of Lime + Soda required for softening of 10,000 liters of hard water containing:

$\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2 = 7.3 \text{ ppm}$, $\text{Ca}(\text{HCO}_3)_2 = 16.2 \text{ ppm}$, $\text{MgSO}_4 = 12 \text{ ppm}$, $\text{CaSO}_4 = 13.6 \text{ ppm}$, $\text{HCl} = 3.65 \text{ ppm}$

Ans:-

Constituent	Amount	$\text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eqn}$	L+S req.
$\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2$	7.3 ppm	$= 7.3 \times \frac{100}{146} = 5 \text{ ppm}$	2L
$\text{Ca}(\text{HCO}_3)_2$	16.2 "	$= 16.2 \times \frac{100}{162} = 10 "$	1L
MgSO_4	12.0 "	$= 12 \times \frac{100}{120} = 10 "$	1L + 1S
CaSO_4	13.6 "	$= 13.6 \times \frac{100}{136} = 10 "$	1S
HCl	3.65 "	$= 3.65 \times \frac{50}{36.5} = 5 "$	1L + 1S

$$\text{Lime req} = \frac{74}{100} [10 + 10 + 10 + 5] \times 10,000 = 259000 \text{ mg} = 0.259 \text{ Kg}$$

$$\text{Soda req} = \frac{106}{100} [10 + 10 + 15] \times 10,000 = 265000 \text{ mg} = 0.265 \text{ Kg}$$

Ques 3: Calculate the amount of lime (74% pure) and soda (90% pure) required for the softening of 50,000 liters of hard water containing $\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2 = 7.3 \text{ ppm}$, $\text{CaCl}_2 = 222 \text{ ppm}$, $\text{MgSO}_4 = 120 \text{ ppm}$, $\text{Ca}(\text{NO}_3)_2 = 164 \text{ ppm}$.

Ans:-

Constituent	Amount	$\text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eq}^h$	Lt S req.
$\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2$	73.0 ppm	$73 \times \frac{100}{146} = 50 \text{ ppm}$	2 L
CaCl_2	222 "	$222 \times \frac{100}{111} = 200 "$	1 S
MgSO_4	120 "	$120 \times \frac{100}{120} = 100 "$	1 L + 1 S
$\text{Ca}(\text{NO}_3)_2$	164 "	$164 \times \frac{100}{164} = 100 "$	1 S

$$\text{Lime req} = \frac{74}{100} [100 + 100] \times 50,000 \times \frac{100}{74} = 10,000,000 \text{ mg} = 1.0 \text{ kg}$$

$$\text{Soda " } = \frac{106}{100} [200 + 100 + 100] \times 50,000 \times \frac{100}{90} = 23,555,555.5 \text{ mg} = 2.356 \text{ kg}$$

Ques 4 :- Calculate the amount of soda required for softening of 15,000 liters of water, which analyzed as follows.

Temporary Ca hardness = 20 ppm

Total permanent " = 15 "

Permanent Mg hardness = 10 "

Ans:- Total permanent hardness = 15 ppm

Permanent Mg " = 10 "

" Ca " = 15 - 10 = 5 ppm

⇒ Temporary Ca hardness	— 20 ppm	Lt S req
Permanent Mg "	— 10 "	1 1 L
" Ca "	— 5 "	1 L + 1 S
		1 S

$$\text{Lim req} = \frac{74}{100} [20 + 10] \times 15,000 = 3,30,000 \text{ mg} = ~~3.30~~ 330 \text{ gram}$$

$$\text{Sod " } = \frac{106}{100} [10 + 5] \times 15,000 = 238,500 \text{ mg} = 238.5 \text{ gram}$$