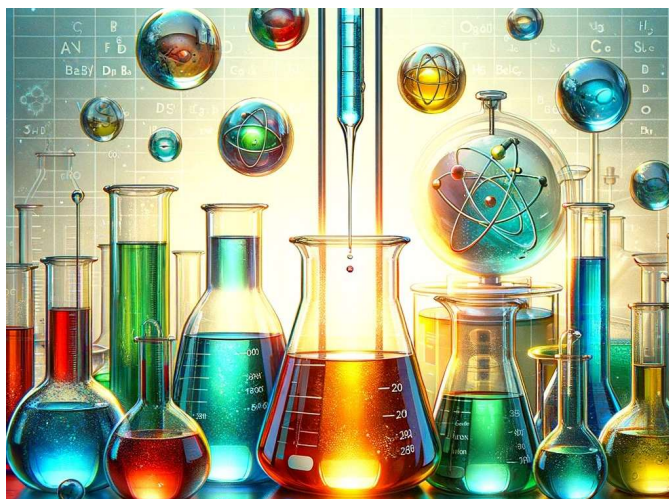




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Unit 1 - part 6

Acids and Bases

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The pH Scale

Learning Intentions

- To learn about the pH scale and how to measure it.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can identify acidic, neutral and basic(alkaline) solutions based on their pH.
 - ☐ I can state why indicators are used.
 - ☐ I can determine the pH of a solution with universal indicator.
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The pH Scale

The pH scale is a number scale from **0** to **14** that tells us how **acidic**, **basic** (also called alkaline*), or **neutral** a solution is:

- Acidic Solutions:** These have a pH from 0 to **less** than 7. The lower the number, the more acidic the solution.
- Basic (Alkaline) Solutions:** These have a pH **greater** than 7 up to 14. The higher the number, the more basic the solution.
- Neutral Solutions:** A pH of **exactly** 7 is neutral, meaning it's neither acidic nor basic.

Fill in the table below if the solution will be acidic, basic(alkaline) or neutral

pH of Solution	Acidic, neutral or basic?
2.5	
8.0	
6.5	
9.2	
3.8	
7.0	
11.3	
1.0	
7.5	

*alkaline and basic are different concepts but they are often used interchangeably, we will define acid and alkaline in a future lesson.

Indicators

Many solutions look just like water: **clear** and **colourless**. It's hard to tell them apart just by looking. This is where indicators are useful.

Indicators are special chemicals that **change colour** when added to a solution. This colour **change** shows us if the solution is **acidic**, neutral or **basic**. For example, a common indicator called **litmus** turns **red** in acidic solutions and **blue** in basic solutions.

Some fruit and vegetables can act as indicators such as red cabbage and beetroot. These are called **natural indicators**.

Indicators experiment (lab book page 20)

Complete the table below to show the colour each indicator goes when acid and basic(alkaline) solutions are added to it.

	Indicator Colour	Colour in Acidic Solutions	Colour in Basic (Alkaline) Solutions
Phenolphthalein			
Bromothymol blue			
Litmus			
Methyl orange			
pH paper			

After experimenting with various indicators, consider their effectiveness. What characteristics do you think make a good indicator?

Universal Indicator

All of the indicators we have used demonstrate varied effectiveness in detecting pH levels.

To pinpoint the exact pH value on the scale, a **universal indicator** is ideal. A universal indicator is created by **blending** various individual indicators, resulting in a solution that can display a wide **range** of colours, each corresponding to a **specific** pH level. This allows for a more **precise** determination of the **pH** value of a solution.

Colour in the scale below to represent the changes in colour observed at different pH levels when using a universal indicator. Label the acidic, neutral and basic(alkaline) regions. Your teacher will show you this.

Observed Colours with Universal Indicator

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14

Fill in the table below with the colour shown with universal indicator. Either write the colours name or use a coloured pencil/pen.

pH of Solution	Colour Observed with Universal indicator
2	
8	
6	
9	
3	
7	
11	
1	
7	
5	

Reaction Title: pH of everyday substances (lab book page 20)

Aim: _____

Method:

Results:

Chemical	Colour with Universal Indicator	pH (1 – 14)	Acid, Neutral or Basic(alkaline)
Vinegar			
Water			
Washing Soda			
Soap Solution			
Citric Acid			
Sodium Chloride			
Sodium Carbonate			

Conclusion: _____

Evaluation: _____

Reaction Title: Natural Indicators (optional)

Aim: _____

Method:

Results:

Conclusion: _____

Evaluation: _____

Acids, Alkalis and Ions

Learning Intentions

- To learn about the ions involved in acidic and basic(alkaline) solutions.

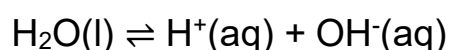
Success Criteria

- ☐ I can state what ions water dissociates into.
 - ☐ I can identify reversible reactions.
 - ☐ I can determine the relative H^+ and OH^- ion concentrations in an acidic, neutral and basic(alkaline) solution.
 - ☐ I can identify common laboratory acids and bases.
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Dissociation of Water and Reversible Reactions

Water, a simple yet vital molecule, undergoes a fascinating chemical process known as dissociation. In this process, water molecules (H_2O) naturally break down into **hydrogen** ions (H^+) and **hydroxide** ions (OH^-). This dissociation is an example of a reversible reaction. Reversible reactions are shown by the symbol " $\rightleftharpoons$ ".

Dissociation of water reaction:



Questions

1. **State** the definition of the word dissociation.

2. **State** what is meant by the symbol " $\rightleftharpoons$ ".

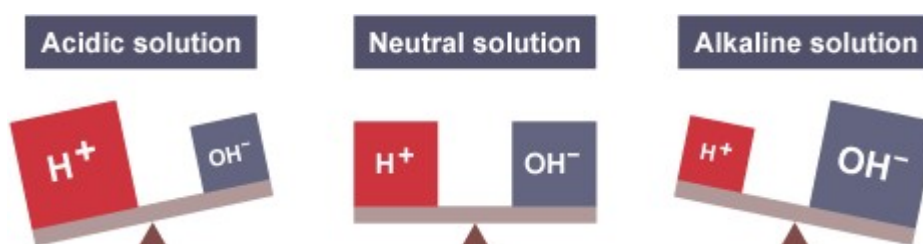
3. **Challenge:** Water molecules are covalent molecular (a non-conductive substance) and yet water is conductive. **Explain** the reason behind water's conductive properties.

The pH Scale and H^+ and OH^- ions

As discussed previously, the pH scale ranges from 0 to 14. It's a measure of how acidic or basic a water-based solution is.

The key to this scale is the concentration of hydrogen ions (H^+) and hydroxide ions (OH^-) in a solution.

- **Acidic Solutions:** These have a pH less than 7.
In such solutions, the concentration of **hydrogen** ions (H^+) is **greater** than that of **hydroxide** ions (OH^-).
- **Basic (Alkaline) Solutions:** These have a pH **greater** than 7. Here, the concentration of hydroxide ions (OH^-) is greater than that of hydrogen ions (H^+).
- **Neutral Solutions:** A pH of exactly **7** is neutral, which means the concentrations of H^+ and OH^- ions are **equal**. **Pure** water is a prime example of a **neutral** solution.



Fill in the table below for the relative concentrations of H^+ and OH^- ions.

pH of Solution	Relative Concentration of H^+ and OH^- ions
8	<i>Greater OH^- ions than H^+ ions</i>
4	
7	
3	
7	
11	
1	
6	
5	
2	

Common laboratory Acids and Bases

Certain acids and bases are frequently encountered due to their essential roles in various chemical reactions and experiments. Understanding these common substances, their properties, and their chemical formulae is fundamental for anyone working in a lab.

Common Laboratory Acids

Acid Name	Chemical Formula	Ionic Formula
Hydrochloric Acid	HCl	H^+Cl^-
Nitric Acid	HNO_3	H^+NO_3^-
Sulfuric Acid	H_2SO_4	$\text{H}^+_2\text{SO}_4^{2-}$
Phosphoric Acid	H_3PO_4	$\text{H}^+_3\text{PO}_4^{3-}$

Common Laboratory Bases

Base Name	Chemical Formula	Ionic Formula
Sodium Hydroxide	NaOH	Na^+OH^-
Potassium Hydroxide	KOH	K^+OH^-
Ammonia	NH_3	NH_3
Calcium Hydroxide	$\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$	$\text{Ca}^{2+}(\text{OH}^-)_2$
Magnesium Hydroxide	$\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$	$\text{Mg}^{2+}(\text{OH}^-)_2$

Questions

1. **Identify** the ion released by hydrochloric acid (HCl) that makes it acidic.

2. **Explain** why sodium hydroxide (NaOH) is a base based on its ions.

3. **Compare** the acid strengths of nitric acid (HNO_3) sulfuric acid (H_2SO_4) and phosphoric acid (H_3PO_4) based on their ionization.

Neutralisation and Dilution

Learning Intentions

- To learn about the effect of neutralisation and dilution on the pH of a solution.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can determine the effect neutralisation and dilution on the pH of a solution.
- ☐ I can determine the effect neutralisation and dilution on the H^+ and OH^- ions of a solution.

Neutralisation

A **neutralisation** reaction occurs when an **acidic** solution and **basic** solution are **mixed**. This results in the pH of the solution moving **towards 7** (neutral).

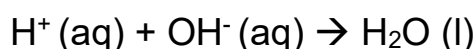
In neutralization, the pH of an acidic solution (originally **below 7**) will **increase**, moving closer to 7.

- This leads to a **decrease** in the concentration of H^+ ions and an **increase** in the concentration of OH^- ions.

Conversely, the pH of a basic solution (originally **above 7**) will **decrease**, also moving towards 7.

- This leads to an **increase** in the concentration of H^+ ions and a **decrease** in the concentration of OH^- ions.

The pH change is a direct result of the interaction between the hydrogen ions (H^+) and hydroxide ions (OH^-) in the solutions, leading towards a more balanced, neutral state. The H^+ and OH^- ions react to form H_2O (water):



Neutralisation Experiment (lab book page 22)

Method:

1. Use a measuring cylinder to measure 10 cm³ acid into a clean small beaker.
2. Add a few drops of universal indicator and note the colour and pH in your table.
3. Rinse the measuring cylinder with water.
4. Add 1 cm³ alkali to the beaker.
5. Note the colour and pH in your table.
6. Add another 1 cm³ alkali and note result.
7. Repeat until you have added 9 cm³.
8. Now use a dropper and add alkali drop by drop until the solution turns green.
9. Note the final volume of alkali used.

Volume of Base(Alkali) Added (cm ³)	Colour of Solution	pH
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		
9		
10		

Final volume of alkali used: _____

Dilution and pH Changes

Dilution is the process of adding **water (solvent)** to a solution.

In dilution, the concentration of an acidic or basic solution is reduced, leading to changes in pH levels. This process involves adding more solvent (typically water) to a solution, which affects the concentration of H^+ ions in acids and OH^- ions in bases.

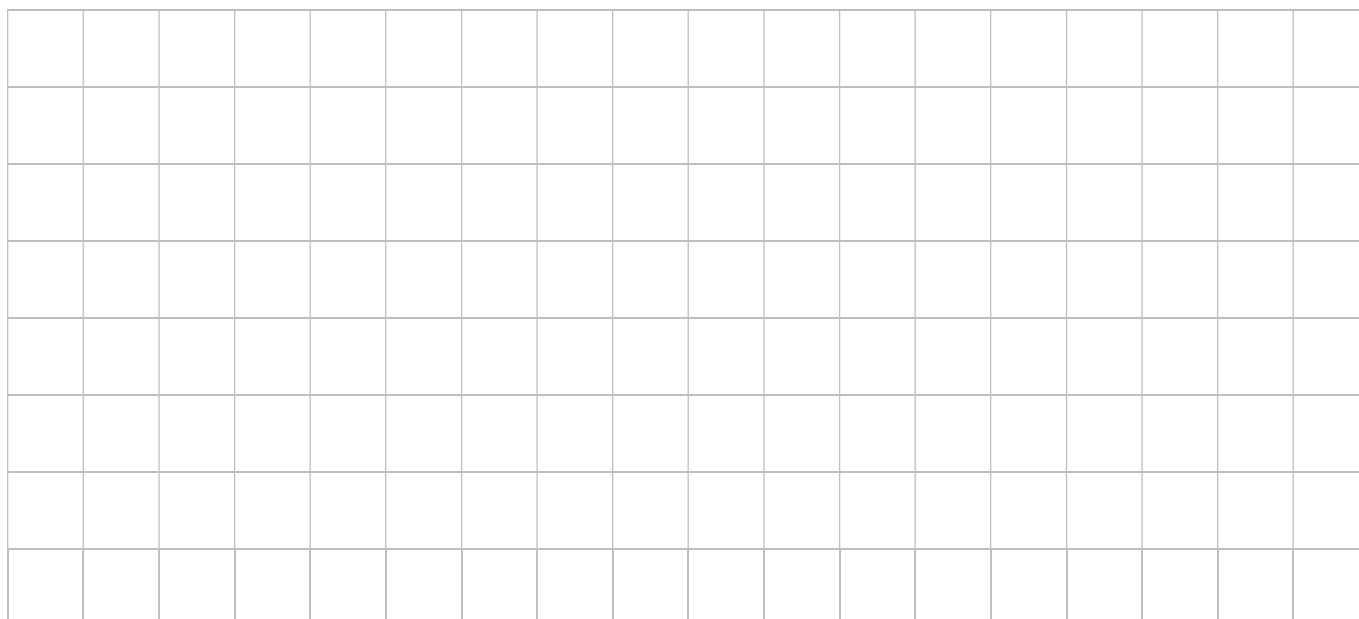
- For an acidic solution (initially with pH **below 7**), dilution leads to a **decrease** in the concentration of H^+ ions. As a result, the pH of the solution **increases**, moving **closer** to 7.
- In contrast, for a basic solution (initially with pH **above 7**), dilution results in a **decrease** in the concentration of OH^- ions. Consequently, the pH of the solution **decreases**, also moving **towards 7**.

The change in pH during dilution is the outcome of altering the concentrations of hydrogen ions (H^+) and hydroxide ions (OH^-) in the solution.

Unlike neutralization, where H^+ and OH^- ions react to form water, dilution simply involves a reduction in the concentration of these ions due to the addition of more solvent.

Dilution Experiment (lab book page 21)

Follow the method in page 21 of the lab book then draw, label and colour in your apparatus at the end of the experiment below.



Fill in the table below.

Initial pH of Solution	Action Taken (Acid/Base/Water Added)	pH Change (Increase/ Decrease/ Stay the Same)	Effect on H ⁺ Ion Conc.	Effect on OH ⁻ Ion Conc.
4	Acid Added	<i>Decrease</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>decrease</i>
8	Base Added			
3	Water Added			
7	Acid Added			
9	Water Added			
5	Base Added			
2	Water Added			
10	Acid Added			
6	Base Added			
7	Water Added			
3	Base Added			
11	Water Added			
4	Acid Added			
5	Water Added			
2	Base Added			
9	Acid Added			
8	Water Added			
6	Acid Added			
7	Base Added			

Bases, Oxides and Neutralisation Reactions

Learning Intentions

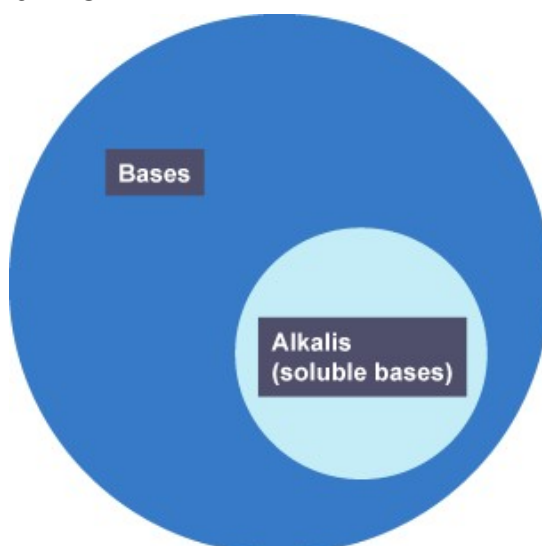
- To learn about bases and their reactions with acids.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can state the definition of a base.
- ☐ I can state the 3 main examples of a base and use the solubility table to determine if they are bases.
- ☐ I can state the definition of a neutralisation reaction.
- ☐ I can identify the salt in a neutralisation reaction.
- ☐ I can name the salt given the acid and base in a neutralisation reaction.
- ☐ I can write the balanced chemical/ionic equation for a neutralisation reaction.

Bases

In the context of aqueous solutions, a **base** is defined as a substance that dissolves in water to produce an **alkaline** solution. So soluble bases form alkaline solutions.



This alkalinity is characterized by a pH greater than 7. When bases dissolve in water, they release hydroxide ions (OH^-), which are responsible for the basic, or alkaline, nature of the solution.

Examples of bases

General examples of bases are soluble metal **oxides**, metal **hydroxides** and metal **carbonates**.

The solubility of these substances can be found on page 8 of the data booklet. You match the metals from the rows to the non-metal ions in the columns. If it says s or vs it means it is soluble. Ignore ammonium as it is a non-metal group ion.

- vs means very soluble (a solubility greater than 10 g l^{-1})
 s means soluble (a solubility of between 1 and 10 g l^{-1})
 i means insoluble (a solubility of less than 1 g l^{-1})
 — no data

	bromide	carbonate	chloride	iodide	nitrate	phosphate	sulfate		oxide	hydroxide
aluminium	vs	—	vs	vs	vs	i	vs		i	i
~~ammonium~~	vs	vs	vs	vs	vs	vs	vs		—	—
barium	vs	i	vs	vs	vs	i	i	→	VS	VS
calcium	vs	i	vs	vs	vs	i	s	→	S	S
copper(II)	vs	i	vs	—	vs	i	vs		i	i

Using your data booklet, give 2 examples of bases from each of the general categories.

Base	Example 1	Example 2
Soluble metal oxide	_____	_____
Soluble metal hydroxide	_____	_____
Soluble metal carbonate	_____	_____

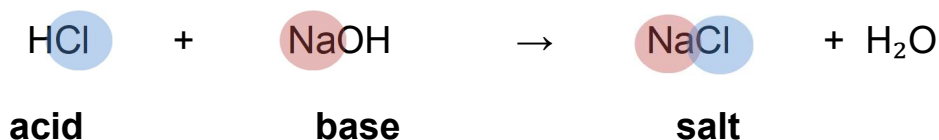
Classify if these substances would be bases or not using your data booklet.

Compound Name	Is it a Base? (Yes/No)
Sodium Chloride (NaCl)	
Sodium Hydroxide (NaOH)	
Calcium Carbonate (CaCO ₃)	
Potassium Oxide (K ₂ O)	
Aluminium Oxide (Al ₂ O ₃)	
Copper(II) Sulfate (CuSO ₄)	
Zinc Hydroxide (Zn(OH) ₂)	
Iron(III) Chloride (FeCl ₃)	
Potassium Carbonate (K ₂ CO ₃)	
Barium Oxide (BaO)	
Magnesium Carbonate (MgCO ₃)	
Silver Oxide (Ag ₂ O)	
Lithium Hydroxide (LiOH)	
Calcium Sulfate (CaSO ₄)	

Neutralisation Reactions

A neutralisation reaction is one in which a **base** reacts with an **acid** to form a **salt** and **water**.

e.g. hydrochloric acid + sodium hydroxide → sodium chloride + water



The salt's name is derived from the **metal** in the base (like **sodium**) followed by the **non-metal ion** from the acid (like **chloride**), resulting in names such as **Sodium Chloride**.

Remember, a neutralisation reaction causes the pH to approach 7.

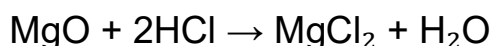
Examples of neutralisation reactions

The word and chemical equations for each type of base going through a neutralisation reaction are below:

1. Reaction with Metal Oxides:

magnesium oxide + hydrochloric acid → magnesium chloride + water

Chemical Equation:

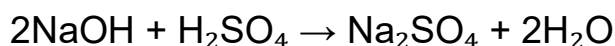


2. Reaction with Metal Hydroxides:

Word Equation:

sodium hydroxide + sulfuric acid → sodium sulfate + water

Chemical Equation:



3. Reaction with Metal Carbonates:

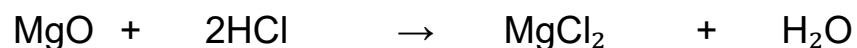
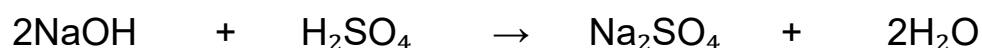
calcium carbonate + nitric acid → calcium nitrate + water + **carbon dioxide**

Chemical Equation:



Questions

1. **State** the definition of a neutralisation reaction
2. **Identify** the type of base that produces an additional product during neutralization. **State** this additional product.
3. Label the following reactions to show the acid, base and salt:



4. **Write** balanced chemical equations for the following reactions:

lithium hydroxide + hydrochloric acid $\rightarrow$ lithium chloride + water

potassium hydroxide + sulfuric acid $\rightarrow$ potassium sulfate + water

sodium oxide + nitric acid → sodium nitrate + water

lithium carbonate + hydrochloric acid → lithium chloride + water + carbon dioxide

5. **Complete** the word equation then **write** the balance chemical formula below.

sodium hydroxide + hydrochloric acid → _____ + _____

sodium hydroxide + nitric acid → _____ + _____

lithium hydroxide + hydrochloride acid → _____ + _____

sodium carbonate + hydrochloric acid → _____ + _____ + _____

potassium carbonate + sulfuric acid → _____ + _____ + _____

Reaction Title: Neutralisation Reactions (separating the salt formed)

Aim: _____

Method:

Results:

Conclusion: _____

Evaluation: _____

Non-metal oxides

Learning Intentions

- To learn about non-metal oxides and the solutions they form.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can state the type of solution formed when soluble non-metal oxides dissolved in water.
- ☐ I can state the names of the gases involved in acid rain.

Soluble non-metal oxides

Soluble non-metal oxides form **acidic** solutions when **dissolved** in water.

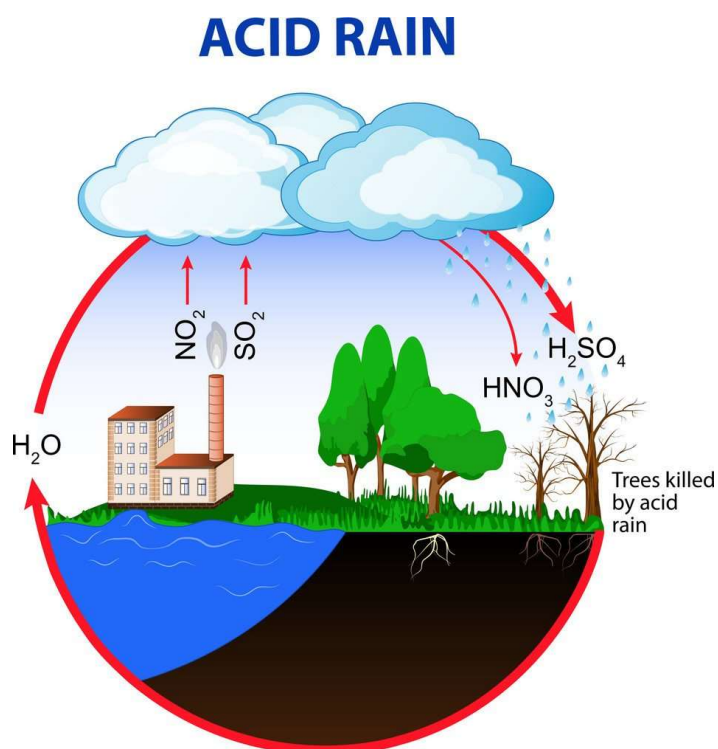
This property is crucial in understanding environmental phenomena like **acid rain**.

Examples of Non-Metal Oxides and Their Reactions:

Carbon Dioxide (CO₂): Reacts with water to form **carbonic** acid (H₂CO₃), a weak acid that contributes to the natural acidity of rainwater.

Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂): This oxide reacts with water to form a mixture of **nitric** acid (HNO₃) and **nitrous** acid (HNO₂).

Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂): SO₂ in the atmosphere can dissolve in water droplets to form **sulfurous** acid (H₂SO₃). This process significantly contributes to the acidity of rainwater.



List the negative effects of acid rain on the environment.

Spectator Ions

Learning Intentions

- To learn about spectator ions in neutralisation reactions.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can state the definition of spectator ions.
- ☐ I can identify spectator ions given the full ion equation.
- ☐ I can identify spectator ions given a chemical equation.

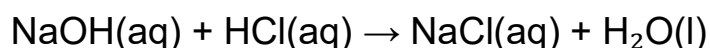
Spectator Ions

Spectator ions are ions in a **solution** (must be **aqueous**) that **do not participate** in the chemical reaction and remain **unchanged** throughout the process.

They are **present** in the **reactants** and can be found **unchanged** in the **products** as well.

Identifying spectator ions

- Chemical Equation:** Start with the standard chemical equation for the neutralization reaction.

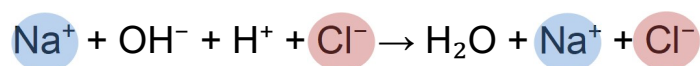


- Ionic Equation:** Next, write the full ionic equation, which breaks down the soluble compounds into their constituent ions. Only **aqueous** (aq) substances break down to soluble components.

Full Ionic Equation:



- Identifying Spectator Ions:** Look for ions that appear unchanged on both sides of the ionic equation. These are the spectator ions.



Spectator ions: **Na⁺** and **Cl⁻**

Equations without spectator ions

Removing the spectator ions from an equation shows only the substances that do change. For neutralisation reactions these will always be as follows:

Equation	Type of base
$2\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{O}^{2-}(\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}(\ell)$	metal hydroxides
$\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{OH}^-(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}(\ell)$	metal oxides
$2\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{CO}_3^{2-}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}(\ell) + \text{CO}_2(\text{g})$	aqueous metal carbonates
$2\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{CO}_3^{2-}(\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}(\ell) + \text{CO}_2(\text{g})$	insoluble metal carbonates

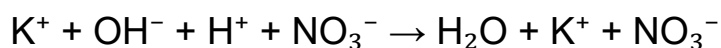
Identify the spectator ions in the following full ionic equations

1.



Spectator ions: _____

2.



Spectator ions: _____

3.



Spectator ions: _____

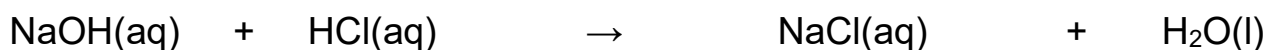
4.



Spectator ions: _____

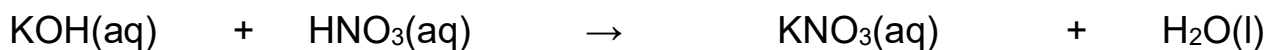
Now identify the spectator ions in the following given the chemical equations. You may use the space provided to write the full ionic equations.

5.



Spectator ions: _____

6.



Spectator ions: _____

7.



Spectator ions: _____

Standard Solutions and Titrations

Learning Intentions

- To learn how to perform a titration.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can state the definition of standard solution, concordant titre and an indicator in reference to titrations
- ☐ I can state what a titration is used for.
- ☐ I can perform a titration experiment.
- ☐ I can perform a titration calculation.

Standard Solutions

A standard solution is a chemical solution with an **accurately** known concentration.

The **accuracy** of the standard solution's concentration is crucial, as it directly affects the **reliability** of the experimental results obtained through its use.

Titrations

Titrations are a procedure used in chemistry to determine the **concentration** of **unknown** solutions.

This process involves gradually adding a solution of **known** concentration (from a **standard** solution) to a solution of unknown concentration until the reaction between the two solutions is complete at the **end-point**.

The volume of the solution of known concentration is measured and the experiment is repeated multiple times to achieve concordant volumes/titres.

Titre volumes within 0.2 cm^3 are considered **concordant** and an **average** is taken for **accuracy**.

The end-point is determined by using an **indicator** where a **sudden** colour **change** is observed.

To attempt a virtual titration before your teacher shows you how to perform it in the lab, click [here](#).

Before performing the titration your teacher will show you all of the apparatus involved in a titration and make a standard solution. Draw the apparatus, label it and describe what it is used for.

Reaction Title: _____

Aim: _____

Method:

Results:

Conclusion: _____

Reaction Title: _____

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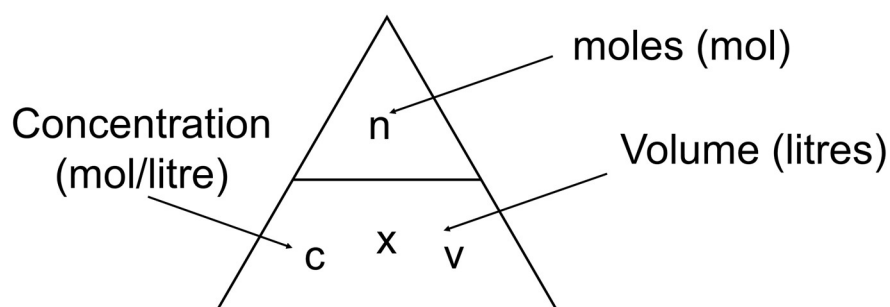
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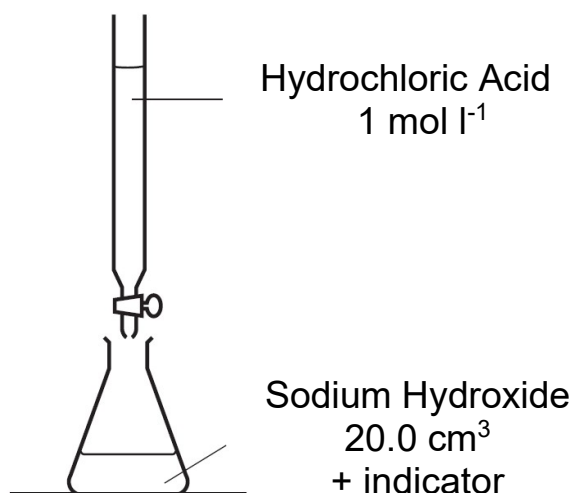
Results:

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Titration calculations



Your teacher will demonstrate how to perform a titration calculation with the example below:

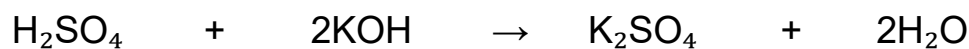


The average volume of 1 mol l^{-1} hydrochloric acid needed to neutralise 20.0 cm^3 sodium hydroxide (unknown concentration) solution was 18.0 cm^3 . Calculate the concentration of the sodium hydroxide solution.

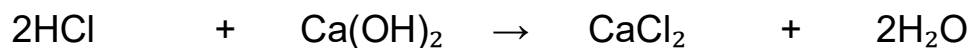
HCl			+			NaOH			→			NaCl			+			H ₂ O		

Questions

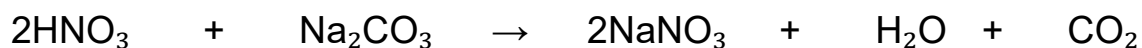
1. The average volume of 0.5 mol l^{-1} sulfuric acid (H_2SO_4) required to neutralise 25.0 cm^3 of potassium hydroxide (KOH) solution was 30.0 cm^3 . Calculate the concentration of the potassium hydroxide solution.



2. To neutralise 15.0 cm^3 of calcium hydroxide ($\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$) solution, 20.0 cm^3 of 1.0 mol l^{-1} hydrochloric acid (HCl) was used. Find the concentration of the calcium hydroxide solution.



3. The neutralisation of 10.0 cm^3 of sodium carbonate (Na_2CO_3) solution required 25.0 cm^3 of 0.2 mol l^{-1} nitric acid (HNO_3). Determine the concentration of the sodium carbonate solution.



4. To completely neutralize 40.0 cm^3 of ammonia (NH_3) solution, 35.0 cm^3 of 0.1 mol l^{-1} sulfuric acid (H_2SO_4) was used. Calculate the concentration of the ammonia solution.

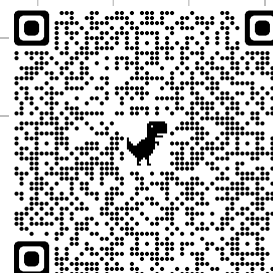


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Acids and Bases – Summary

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