

Chem 201 Lecture 1b

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Brief pointers on lab experiments

All the lab protocols are posted in the website:
www.calstatela.edu/dept/chem/10summer/201
 Download these protocols
 Ask lab instructor about policies on laboratory practice
 Determine YOUR sequence of lab experiments. (it depends on your locker #.)
 Pay careful attention to the instructions!

Lab Expt: Manganese (Mn)

Goal: to determine % Mn in a steel sample.
 Uses UV-vis spectrophotometry
 No drying of samples necessary.
 When weighing samples, elevate on a platform
 Steel sample is dissolved in HNO_3
 and Mn content is converted to MnO_4^-
 Prepare standard steel and unk steel: compare absorbances.

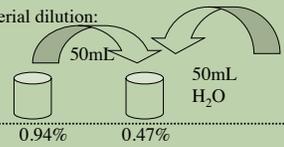


Spectrophotometry: Beer's Law

$A = \epsilon bc$ where A= absorbance (output of spec),
 ϵ = absorption coefficient
 b = path length (usu. 1 cm)
 c = molar concentration of absorbing species.
 Important to note: c is directly proportional to A
 So $[\text{MnO}_4^-]$ is proportional to % Mn and also to A.
 So, A is proportional to % Mn.

Manganese

Use 2 unknowns and 2 standards. (0.5g each -close in mass)
 When purple MnO_4^- forms, dilute to 250-mLs all 4 solutions
 Use only 1 of std solutions for serial dilution.
 I repeat: No dilution of the other solutions.
 Serial dilution:



Manganese

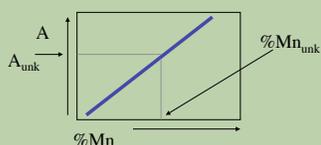
How do you prepare the rest of the standards?
 You are to have: 0.94%, 0.47%, 0.235%, 0.118%, 0.059%

Manganese

First, determine λ_{\max} (wavelength at max. absorption)

(i.e. Vary wavelength and measure A)

Plot Absorbance vs % Mn at $\lambda = \lambda_{\max}$.



Mn Calculations

Problem: A 2.0 g of 0.56% Mn standard steel is dissolved in 250 mLs in the form of MnO_4^- and its absorbance(A)=0.22. For a 1.5 g of unknown steel, treated the but with final volume = 500 mLs gives a reading of A = 0.37.

What is the %Mn in the unknown steel?

$$\frac{A_{\text{unk}}}{A_{\text{std}}} = \frac{c_{\text{unk}} b}{c_{\text{std}} b} = \frac{c_{\text{unk}}}{c_{\text{std}}} = \frac{\frac{\% \text{Mn}_{\text{unk}} m_{\text{std}}}{M \cdot V}}{\frac{\% \text{Mn}_{\text{std}} m_{\text{unk}}}{M \cdot V}}$$

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$$\% \text{Mn}_{\text{unk}} = \% \text{Mn}_{\text{std}} \frac{m_{\text{std}} A_{\text{unk}}}{m_{\text{unk}} A_{\text{std}}} = (.56\%) \frac{2.0 \text{ g} \cdot 0.37 \cdot 500 \text{ mL}}{1.5 \text{ g} \cdot 0.22 \cdot 250 \text{ mL}} = 2.50\%$$

Iron Experiment (Fe)

This is a redox titration experiment

Titration reaction: $6 \text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} \rightarrow 6 \text{Fe}^{3+} + 2 \text{Cr}^{3+}$ etc..

DO NOT DRY SAMPLE!

Prepare unknown on same day you intend to titrate it.

Minimize contact with O_2 . Do 2 indicator titrations and

1 potentiometric titration (looks like pH meter near oven)

Plot mV vs mLs of $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ added to get eq. pt.

Fe expt...

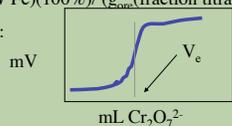
Know how to balance the equation!

At equiv.pt: $M_{\text{Fe}} V_{\text{Fe}} = 6 M_{\text{Cr}} V_{\text{Cr}}$ (remember how to do this)

Derive the following:

$\% \text{Fe} = (6 M_{\text{Cr}} V_{\text{Cr}})(\text{AW Fe})(100\%) / (g_{\text{unk}}(\text{fraction titrated}))$

The plot will look like:



Fe Expt...

Things to keep in mind:

- don't dry anything to constant weight
- Do titrations on same day if possible
- Discard solutions in appropriate waste bottle.

More concentration units: %

$$\%(w/w) = \frac{\text{g solute}}{\text{g solution}} \times 100\%$$

or equivalently, $\%(w/w) = \frac{\text{g solute}}{100 \text{ g solution}}$

$$\%(v/v) = \frac{\text{mL solute}}{100 \text{ mL solution}}$$

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More concentration units: ppm

$$\text{ppm} = \frac{\text{g solute}}{\text{g solution}} \times 10^6 \text{ or equivalently,}$$

$$\text{ppm} = \frac{\text{g solute}}{10^6 \text{ g solution}}$$

For aqueous solutions it's convenient to derive:

$$\text{ppm} = \frac{\text{g solute}}{10^6 \text{ g solution}} \times \frac{10^{-3}}{10^{-3}} = \frac{10^{-3} \text{ g solute}}{10^3 \text{ g solution}}$$

$$= \frac{\text{mg solute}}{10^3 \text{ g solution}} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ mL}}{1 \text{ L}} = \frac{\text{mg solute}}{\text{L solution}}$$

More concentration units: N

$$\text{Normality} = \frac{\# \text{ mole-equivalents solute}}{\text{L solution}}$$

What's the normality of 0.35 M H₂SO₄?

$$\#N = 0.35 \text{ M H}_2\text{SO}_4 \times (2N/1M) = 0.70 \text{ N H}_2\text{SO}_4$$

What's M for 0.25 N HCl? 0.25 M HCl!

Example of preparing a diluted solution from a stock solution.

Prepare 500mLs of 0.1 M HNO₃. Stock is 15.8 M HNO₃. Anyone remember the equation to use?

$$M_1 V_1 = M_2 V_2 \quad \text{For example: 1=conc. 2 = diluted}$$

What to solve for?

$$V_1 = M_2 V_2 / M_1 = (0.1M)(500\text{mL}) / (15.8M) = 3 \text{ mLs (1 sig.fig.)}$$

Measure 3 mLs of stock HNO₃ and add to it enough water to reach a total volume of 500 mLs

Usually add acid to water but here it's dilute acid so it's OK.

Concentrations of lab stocks

Conc of	H ₂ SO ₄	= 18 M	= 36 N H ₂ SO ₄
	HCl	= 12 M	= 12 N HCl
	HNO ₃	= 16M	= 16 N
	NH ₄ OH	= 15 M	= 15 N

Note that NH₃ solutions are often labelled NH₄OH (ammonium hydroxide). Why do you think so?

Sample calculation: ppm

Titration of Ca²⁺ using the hexadentate ligand, EDTA involves a 1:1 titration. If 35.0 mL of Ca²⁺ unknown sol'n requires 24.0mLs of 0.014 M EDTA, what is the concentration of Ca²⁺ in unknown (as ppm CaCO₃)?

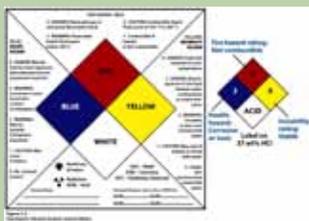
At e.p. #mol Ca²⁺ = # mol EDTA; $M_{\text{Ca}} = M_{\text{EDTA}} V_{\text{EDTA}} / V_{\text{CaCO}_3}$

$$\text{ppm CaCO}_3 = \frac{M_{\text{EDTA}} V_{\text{EDTA}}}{V_{\text{CaCO}_3}} \cdot \frac{(\text{gCaCO}_3)}{\text{mol}} \cdot \frac{(10^3 \text{ mg})}{\text{g}}$$

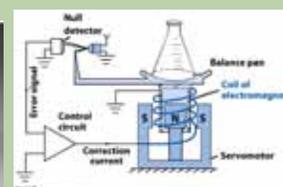
$$\text{ppm CaCO}_3 = \frac{(0.014 \text{ mol/L})(24.0 \text{ mL})}{(35.0 \text{ mL})} \cdot \frac{100.1 \text{ g}}{\text{mol}} \cdot \frac{10^3 \text{ mg}}{\text{g}} = 960 \text{ ppm}$$

Chemical Hazards Label

Chemicals containers have chemical hazards label



Electronic Digital balance



Note that electronic balances use a magnet in its mechanism.

Burets and their precision

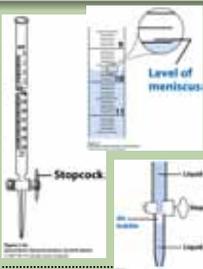


Table 2-2 Tolerances of Class A burets

Buret volume (mL)	Smallest graduation (mL)	Tolerance (mL)
5	0.01	± 0.01
10	0.05 or 0.02	± 0.02
25	0.1	± 0.03
50	0.1	± 0.05
100	0.2	± 0.10

Volumetric flasks

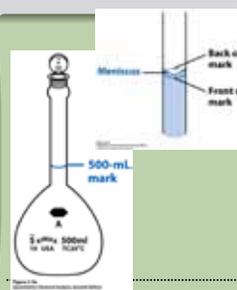


Table 2-3 Tolerances of Class A volumetric flasks

Flask capacity (mL)	Tolerance (mL)
1	± 0.02
2	± 0.02
3	± 0.02
10	± 0.02
25	± 0.03
50	± 0.05
100	± 0.08
200	± 0.10
250	± 0.12
500	± 0.20
1000	± 0.30
2000	± 0.50

Transfer, graduated & micropipets

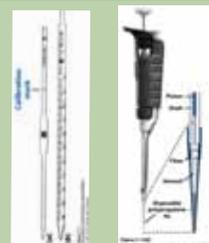
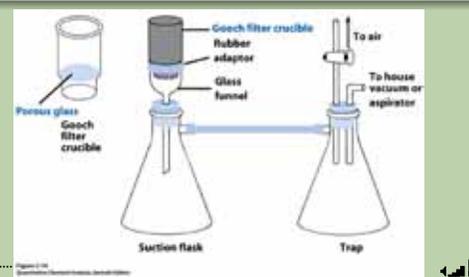


Table 2-4 Tolerances of Class A transfer pipets

Volume (mL)	Tolerance (mL)
0.5	± 0.006
1	± 0.006
2	± 0.006
3	± 0.01
4	± 0.01
5	± 0.01
10	± 0.02
15	± 0.03
20	± 0.03
25	± 0.03
50	± 0.05
100	± 0.06

Suction filtration with crucible

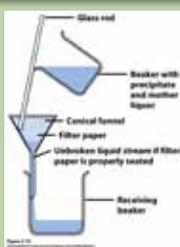


Filtering with funnel



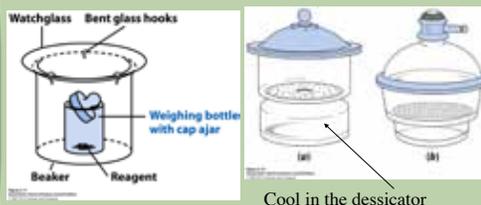
Folding filter paper

And pouring liquid on the funnel, avoiding loss of liquid.



Heating ore to constant weight

Place in oven:



Significant figures

significant figures = figures needed to represent a measurement without loss of accuracy.

Example: 0.000304 030.400 23,000 2×10^3

3 sig figs 5 sig figs 2 sig figs 1 sig fig

For logarithms:

$$\log(0.000304) = -3.517 \quad (\# \text{ sig figs} = 3)$$

characteristic mantissa

Use of Microsoft Excel

You are expected to be able to use Microsoft Excel worksheets and graphing capabilities. Please practice by following sections 2-11 and 2-12 in case you have not used MS Excel yet.

This will be expected of you in your lab reports.

Rules for adding and subtracting

$23.02521 + 1.2452 \times 10^2$ becomes

$$\begin{array}{r} 23.02521 \\ + \quad 124.52 \\ \hline 147.54521 \Rightarrow 147.55 \end{array}$$

If it were: 147.54500 then, $\Rightarrow 147.54$

(I.e. only round up when it becomes even)

In general, the answer has the same number of decimal places as the least significant number being added.

Rules of multiplication and division

$$(2.305 \times 0.034) / (3.2 + 0.300) =$$

Add up the denominator:

$$(2.305 \times 3.41) / (3.5_0) = 7.86_0 / 3.5 = 2.2_5$$

In general, the final answer does not have more significant figures than any of the factors leading to it.