

Experiment-2: Preparation of Solutions in Chemistry

Introduction

Solution : A solution is a homogeneous mixture of two or more pure substances that do not interact with each other. A solution is formed when a substance, called a solute, is dissolved in another substance, called the solvent.

Solute : Substance which dissolves in a solution.

Solvent : Substance which dissolves another to form a solution (water).



Ways of expressing concentration

There are numerous ways to describe the concentration of a solution, and they are a useful ways to describe solutions concentrations in chemistry reactions.

1. Mass concentration : $t = \frac{m_{\text{solute}}}{V_{\text{solution}}} \left(\frac{g}{L} \right)$

2. Molarity : $C_M = \frac{n_{\text{solute}}}{V_{\text{solution}}} \left(\frac{mol}{L} \right)$

3. Normality : $C_N = \frac{n_{\text{eq.g}}}{V_{\text{solution}}} \left(\frac{eq.g}{L} \right)$

4. Molality : $C_m = \frac{n_{\text{solute}}}{m_{\text{solvent}}} \left(\frac{mol}{Kg} \right)$

Relation between Normality and Molarity

Normality and Molarity are two important and commonly used expressions in chemistry. They are used to indicate the quantitative measurement of a substance. But what relation does Molarity have with Normality ?

$$C_N = Z C_M$$

Where Z is a constant with a number of states

✚ **For acid :** Z is the number of H⁺ protons that the acid can lose.

Examples : HCl ($HCl \rightarrow H^+ + Cl^-$) ; Z = 1

✚ **For base :** Z is the number of hydroxides – OH⁻ that the base can lose

Examples : NaOH ($NaOH \rightarrow Na^+ + OH^-$) ; Z = 1

✚ **For oxidation and reduction :** Z is the number of transferred electrons.

Examples : $MnO_4^- (MnO_4^- + 5e^- + 8H^+ \rightarrow Mn^{2+} + 4H_2O)$; Z = 5

Objective of the experiment

1. Recognising and using the equipment and tools for preparing solutions.
2. How to prepare a solution from sodium hydroxide (NaOH) by dissolving.
3. How to dilute Hydrochloric acid (HCl) solution.

Materials

- Graduated pipette or graduated cylinder
- Volumetric flask

- Spatula - Watch Glass – Funnel
- Analytical balance

Chemicals

- Hydrochloric acid (HCl)
- Sodium hydroxide (NaOH)
- Distilled water

Procedure

1. Preparation of solution from solid : This is how to make a chemical solution using a solid dissolved in a liquid. We need to calculate the mass of the solid required using with the equation : $m = C_M \cdot M \cdot V$

Question : Calculate and describe how to prepare 100 ml of sodium hydroxide (NaOH) solution with a molar concentration of 0.1 mol/L ($M_{NaOH} = 40 \text{ g/mol}$) ?

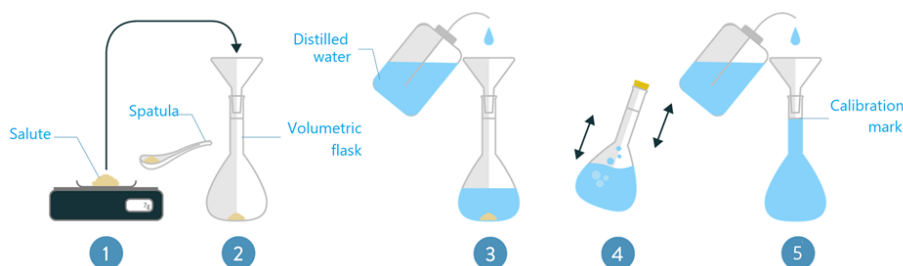
- Calculate the mass of sodium hydroxide (NaOH) needed to prepare 100 ml of 0.1 mol/L NaOH solution.

$$C_M = \frac{n}{V} = \frac{m}{M \cdot V} \rightarrow m = C_M \cdot M \cdot V$$

$$m_{NaOH}(\text{g}) = C_{\text{المحلول}} \left(\frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}} \right) \cdot M_{NaOH} \left(\frac{\text{g}}{\text{mol}} \right) \cdot V_{\text{المحلول}} (\text{L})$$

$$m_{NaOH}(\text{g}) = 0,1 \times 40 \times 0,1 = 0,4 \text{ g}$$

- Weight the mass of 0.4 g of NaOH.
- Fill a clean 100 mL volumetric flask at third of it with water.
- Add 0.4g of NaOH to this volumetric flask using a funnel.
- Stir the mixture until the NaOH is completely dissolved.
- Completely fill the volumetric flask with distilled water to the measuring line.
- Close the volumetric flask, then mix to obtain homogeneous solution of NaOH.



Scheme 1. How to prepare solutions from solid

2. Preparation of solution from liquid : This is how to make a chemical solution through dilution method. We need to calculate the volume of the starting solution required using with the equation :

$$C_i \cdot V_i = C_f \cdot V_f \rightarrow V_i = \frac{C_f \cdot V_f}{C_i}$$

Question : Calculate and describe how to prepare 100 ml of 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid HCl from concentrated HCl solution ?

- Read the information on the concentrated HCl (commercial); the density is 1.18, the purity rate is 37%, and the molar mass is 36.5 g/mol.
- Calculate the mass of the concentrated HCl.

We have $d = 1.18$ so $\rho = 1.18 \text{ Kg/L}$ **i.e.** one L of HCl weighs 1180 g.

- Determine the amount of pure concentrated HCl in grammes.

$$m_{\text{HCl}}(\text{Concentrated}) = \frac{1180 \times 37}{100} = 436.6 \text{ (g)}$$

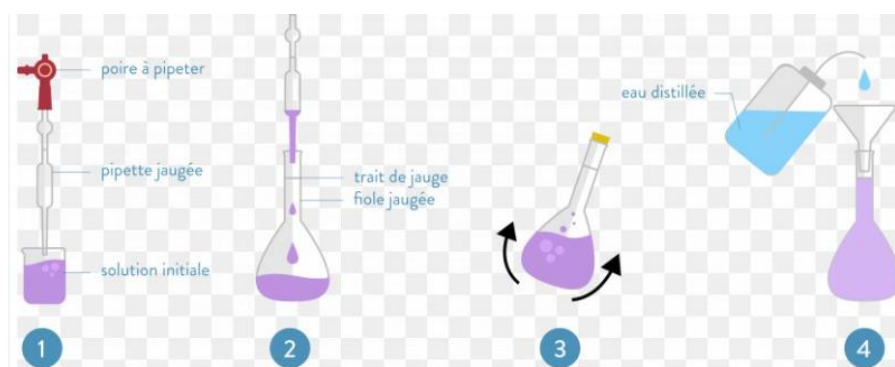
- Determining the concentration of concentrated HCl.

$$C_{\text{HCl}} = \frac{n_{\text{HCl}}}{V} = \frac{m_{\text{HCl}}}{M_{\text{HCl}} \cdot V} = \frac{436.6}{36.6 \times 1} = 11.96 \left(\frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}\right)$$

- Calculating the volume required of concentrated HCl to prepre the needed solution

$$V_{\text{HCl}} = \frac{C_f \cdot V_f}{C_{\text{HCl}}} = \frac{0.1 \times 100}{11.96} = 0.83 \text{ (ml)}$$

- Fill a clean 100 mL volumetric flask at third of it with water.
- Take out 0.83 mL of concentrated HCl using the graduated pipette.
- Transfer it to the volumetric flask.
- Completely fill the volumetric flask with distilled water to the measuring line.
- Close the volumetric flask, then mix to obtain homogeneous solution of HCl.



Scheme 2. How to prepare solutions through dilution

We give

KOH: (%=85 - M=56.11g/mol)

H₂SO₄: (M = 98 g/mol – d = 1,18 - % = 96)

CH₃COOH: (M = 60 g/mol – d = 1.05 - % = 99)