



# Electroanalytical methods



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# Potentiometry

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- **Fundamentals of potentiometry**
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- **Indicator and ion selective electrodes**
- **Instrumentation and measurement of cell electromotive force (e.m.f)**



# Fundamentals of potentiometry



When a metal is immersed in a solution containing its own ions, the potential difference is established between the metal and the solution



$$\varphi = \varphi^\theta + \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \frac{a_{\text{O}}}{a_{\text{R}}}$$



# Fundamentals of potentiometry



$$\varphi = \varphi^{\circ} + (RT/nF) \ln \alpha_{M^{n+}}$$

**Nernst equation**

# Fundamentals of potentiometry

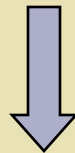
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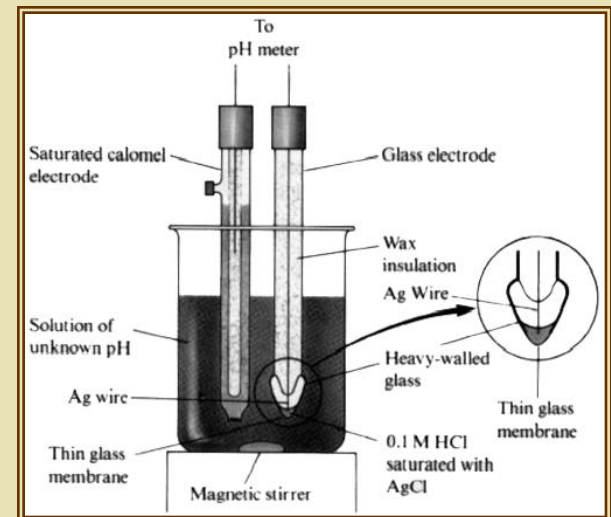
Reference electrode

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Solution



Cell





# Fundamentals of potentiometry

$M | M^{n+} ||$  reference electrode

$$E = \varphi_{(+)} - \varphi_{(-)} + \varphi_L$$

Liquid  
junction  
potential

$$E = \varphi_{(+)} - \varphi_{(-)}$$

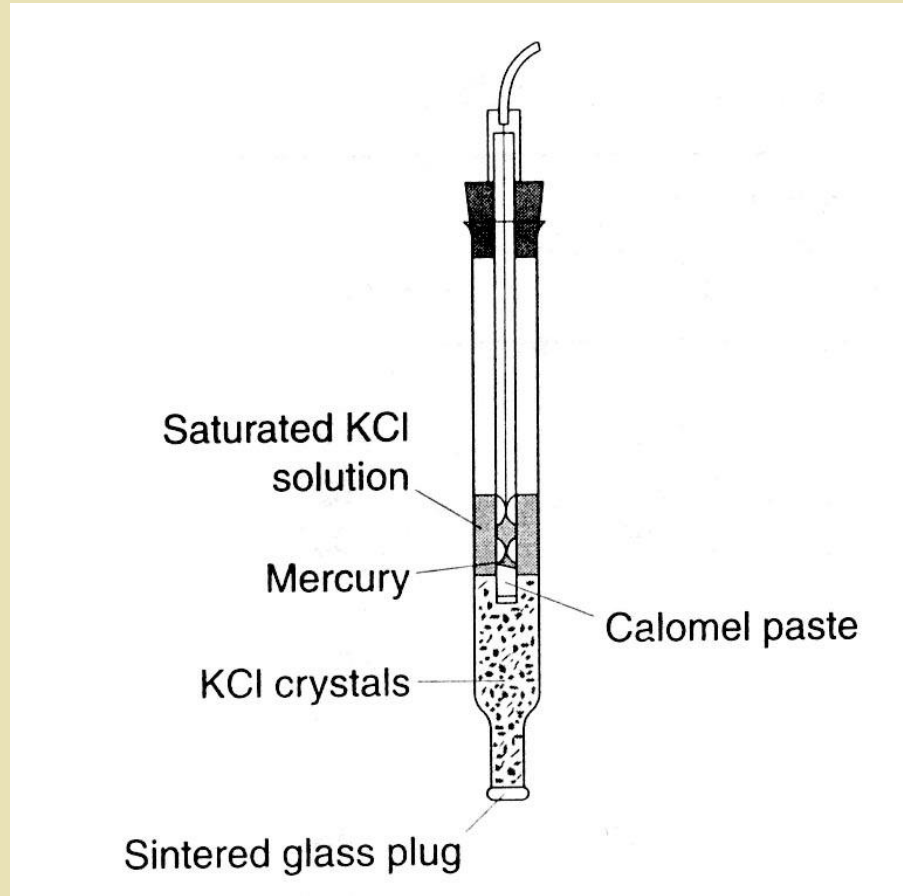
$$= \varphi_r - \varphi^\circ - (RT/nF) \ln \alpha_{M^{n+}}$$

# Reference electrodes

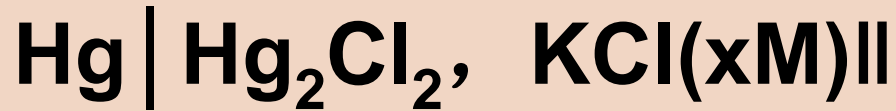
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- ◆ Silver – silver chloride electrode



# Calomel electrode



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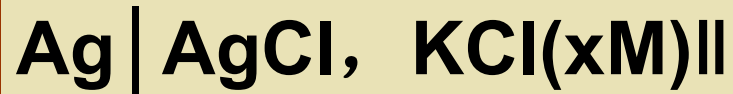
Electrode potential



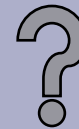
$$\varphi = \varphi^\circ_{\text{Hg}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{Hg}} + (RT/nF) \ln (1/\alpha_{\text{Cl}^-}{}^{-2})$$

$$= \varphi^\circ_{\text{Hg}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{Hg}} - 0.059 \lg \alpha_{\text{Cl}^-}$$

# Silver – silver chloride electrode



Electrode potential



$$\varphi = \varphi^{\circ}_{\text{AgCl} / \text{Ag}} + (RT/nF) \ln (1/ \alpha_{\text{Cl}^-})$$

$$\equiv \varphi^{\circ}_{\text{AgCl} / \text{Ag}} - 0.059 \lg \alpha_{\text{Cl}^-}$$



# Indicator and ion selective electrodes

## Indicator electrode

**---**The potential depends on the activity of a particular ionic species which it is desired to quantify



# Indicator and ion selective electrodes

- **Electrode of the first kind**
  - **Electrode of the second kind**
  - **Inert electrode**
- Metal electrode**

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- **The glass electrode**
  - **Crystalline membrane electrode**
  - **Biochemical electrode**
- Membrane electrode**



# Indicator and ion selective electrodes

## Electrode of the first kind

---The ion to be determined is directly involved in the electrode reaction

Metal M immersed in a solution of **M<sup>n+</sup> ion**

$$\varphi = \varphi^{\circ}_{M^{n+}/M} + (RT/nF) \ln \alpha_{M^{n+}}$$

# Indicator and ion selective electrodes

## Electrode of the second kind

### Silver – silver chloride electrode

--- coating a silver wire with silver chloride



$$\varphi = \varphi^{\circ}_{\text{AgCl} / \text{Ag}} + (RT/nF) \ln (1/ \alpha_{\text{Cl}^-})$$

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# Inert electrode

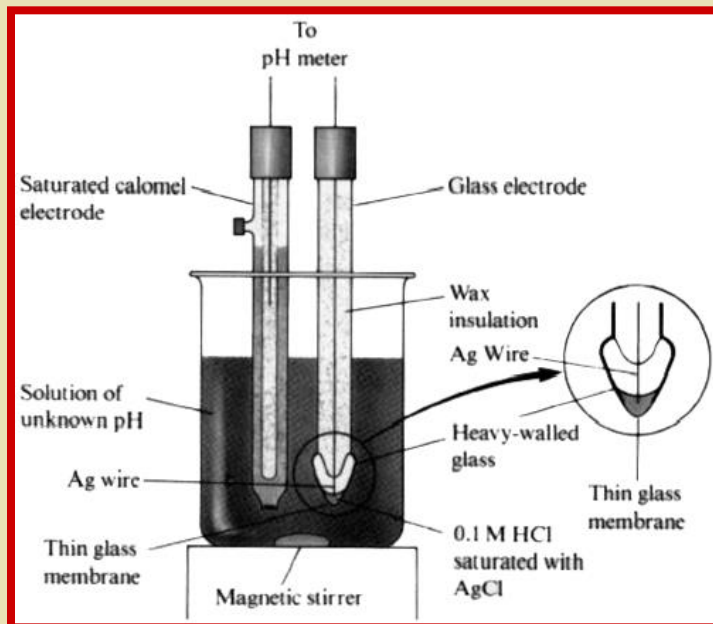
---An inert electrode (**Pt**) is placed in a system containing both an oxidizing agent and its reduction product



$$\varphi = \varphi^{\circ}_{\text{Fe}^{3+} / \text{Fe}^{2+}} + (RT/nF) \ln (\alpha_{\text{Fe}^{3+}} / \alpha_{\text{Fe}^{2+}})$$



# The glass electrode



# The glass electrode

## Composition

◆  $\text{SiO}_2$  72% +  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  22% +  $\text{CaO}$  6%

◆  $\text{SiO}_2$  63% +  $\text{Li}_2\text{O}$  28% +  $\text{Cs}_2\text{O}$  2%  
+  $\text{BaO}$  4% +  $\text{La}_2\text{O}_3$  3%

# The glass electrode

## Theory

--- Ion exchange process

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_{\text{glass}} &= K + (RT/nF) \ln \alpha_{\text{H}^+} \\ &= K' - 0.059 \text{ pH}\end{aligned}$$

# The glass electrode

## properties

- Can be used in the presence of strong oxidants and reductants
- Can be used in viscous media
- Can be used in the presence of proteins



# The glass electrode

## properties

- High resistance
- Acid error and alkaline error



# Crystalline membrane electrode

composition

Crystal of lanthanum fluoride

+

0.1 mol/L NaF – 0.1 mol/L NaCl

+

Silver – silver chloride electrode



Lanthanum fluoride electrode

# Crystalline membrane electrode

## Theory

Lattice defect

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_{\text{membrane}} &= K - (RT/nF) \ln \alpha_{F^-} \\ &= K - 0.059 \lg \alpha_{F^-}\end{aligned}$$

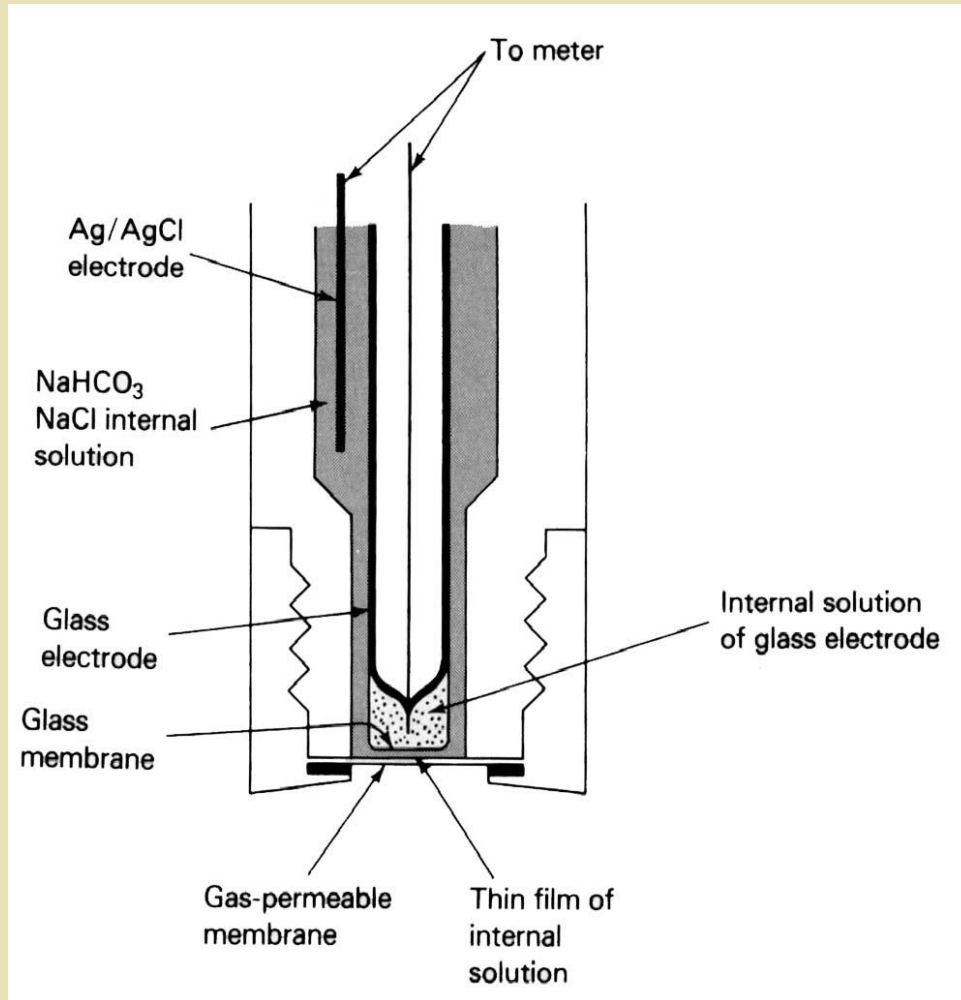


# Crystalline membrane electrode

## properties

- Detection limit  $\sim 10^{-7}$  mol/L
- Interference  $\sim \text{OH}^-$
- pH range  $\sim 5 - 6$

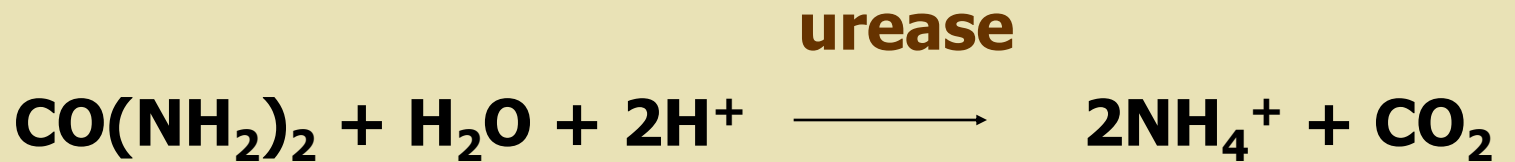
# Gas – sensing electrode





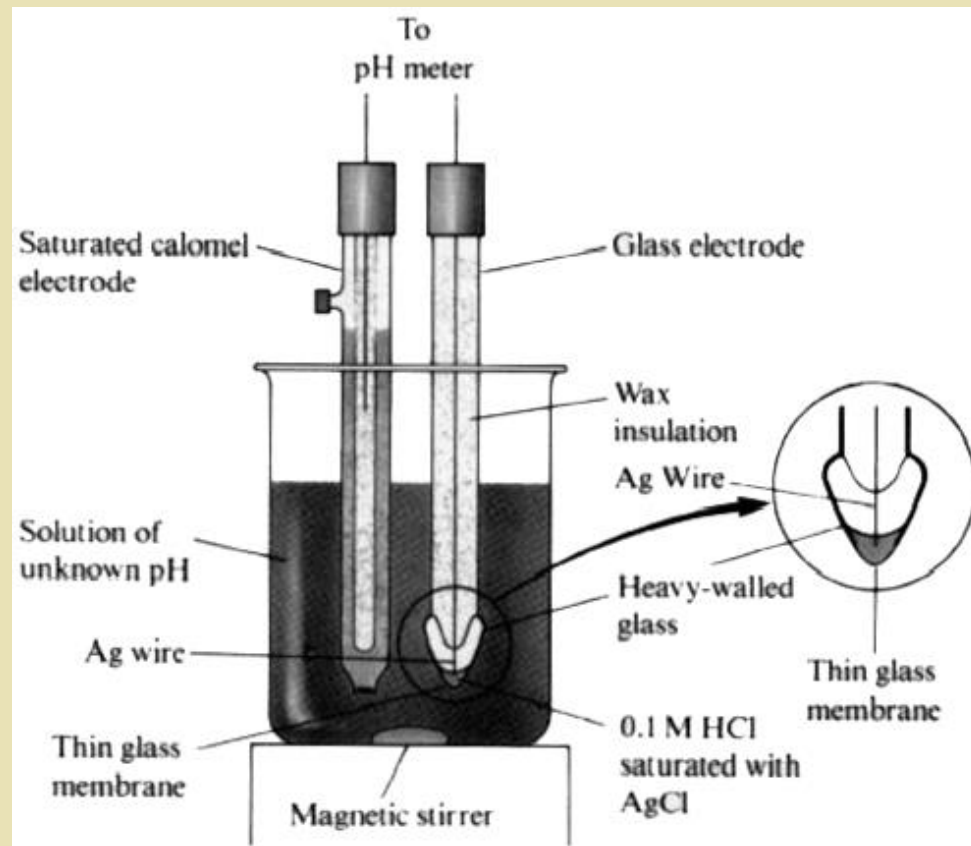
# Biochemical electrode

## Urea electrode



# Instrumentation

## Determination of pH



# Determination of pH

Glass electrode | Solution X || SCE

$$E = \varphi_{\text{SCE}} - \varphi_{\text{glass}}$$

$$= \varphi_{\text{SCE}} - \left( \varphi^{\circ}_{\text{AgCl} / \text{Ag}} + K + \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \alpha_{\text{H}^+} \right)$$

$$E = K' + \left( \frac{2.303 RT}{F} \right) \text{pH}$$

# Determination of pH

$$E_x = K'_x + (2.303 RT / F) \text{pH}_x$$

$$E_s = K'_s + (2.303 RT / F) \text{pH}_s$$

$$K'_x = K'_s$$

$$\text{pH}_x = \text{pH}_s + (E_x - E_s) F / 2.303RT$$

--- Operational definition

# Determination of pH

## pH standard solution (25 C°)

<b>Solution</b>	<b>0.05 M potassium hydrogenphthalate</b>	<b>0.025 M <math>\text{KH}_2\text{PO}_4</math> 0.025 M <math>\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_4</math></b>	<b>0.01 M Borax</b>
<b>pH</b>	<b>4.004</b>	<b>6.864</b>	<b>9.182</b>



# Determination of fluoride

$$\varphi_{\text{membrane}} = K \pm (0.059/n) \lg \alpha$$

- **Calibration curve**
- **Standard addition**

# Determination of fluoride

## Calibration curve

- ◆ Standard solutions
- ◆ Total ionic strength adjustment buffer(TISAB)

Ionic strength

▶ NaCl

▶ NaAc - HAc

▶ Sodium citrate

pH

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# Determination of fluoride

## Standard addition

$$E_1 = k_c + k \log y_1 C_1$$

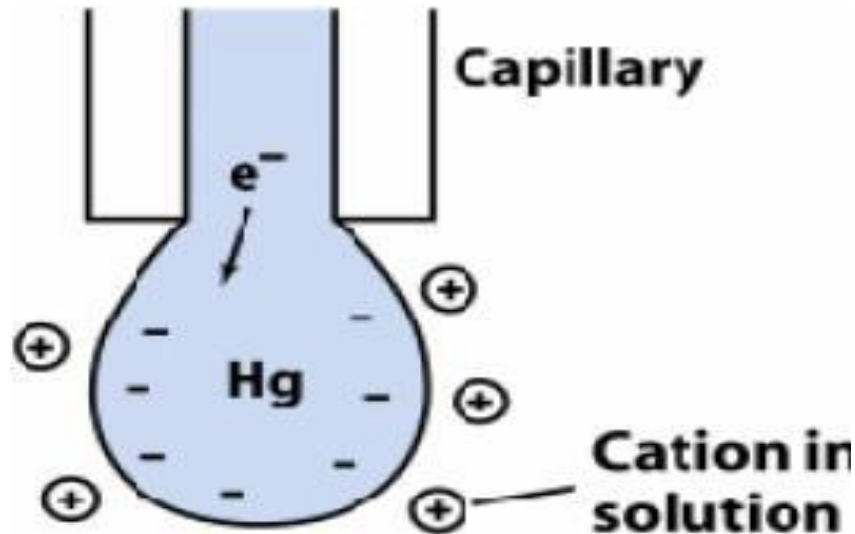
$$E_2 = k_c + k \log y_1 (V_1 C_1 + V_2 C_s) / (V_1 + V_2)$$

$$E_2 - E_1 = k \log (V_1 C_1 + V_2 C_s) / C_1 (V_1 + V_2)$$

$$C_1 = C_s / (10^{\Delta E/k} (1 + V_1/V_2) - V_1/V_2)$$

# Polarography

## Dropping Mercury Electrode (DME)



# Polarography

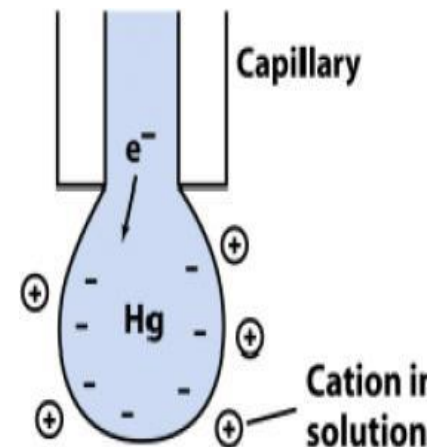
- ❑ Polarography is one of the Voltametric methods of analysis; electrochemical methods where current voltage curves obtained at the surface of microelectrodes are studied.
- ❑ In polarography the microelectrode is a dropping mercury electrode (DME).
- ❑ The method is used for the analysis of electroreducible or oxidizable metal, ion or organic substance (electroactive species).
- ❑



Electroactive species is transferred into a polarographic cell (electrolytic cell) where voltage is applied to the electrodes

□ One of the electrodes is a polarizable microelectrode (DME) while the other is reference non polarizable electrode

- DME is **the cathode** •
- (attached to the negative •
- pole of the voltage supply) •
- upon applying the voltage, •
- electroactive species** will •
- move towards DME,** •
- electron transfer occurs and •
- a current flows. •
- The **current produced** is •
- proportional to** •
- concentration** of the •
- electroactive species •



**Polarization:**

**Ohm's law :**  $E_{\text{cell}} = I R$

$E \propto I$  (current)

If the increase in cell

potential is **not**

**accompanied** by increase in

current it is called

**Polarization.**

## Modes of Transport of Electroactive species to DME

### 1-By Convection:

by **mechanical stirring** or by **heating**, as it increases

current increases . This type can be **prevented** by:

- avoiding stirring
- controlling the temperature.
- adding gelatin to increase viscosity of medium

### 2-By electrostatic attraction :

between **positive species** and the **negative cathode**; The current

produced here is known by **migration current**, it can be

**minimized by:**

- adding large excess of inert electrolyte (not reducible) known

by **supporting electrolyte** (50- 100 time analyte concentration)

### **3-By diffusion:**

-occurs due to **concentration gradient of ions**

-The rate of mass transport by diffusion depends on **the concentration and the diffusion coefficient** (a constant

value characteristic for the analyte)

-the **transport (current) will depend on concentration.**

**Small ion conc small inflection of curve**

**high ion conc large inflection of curve**

in polarographic analysis the mode of mass transport should be **only by diffusion.**



## **Instrument • (Polarograph):**

1-electric circuit

2-polarographic cell •

**1-electric circuit •**

-increasingly negative •  
potential from •

+0.5 to -2.5 volt at a •  
definite rate of •

millivolt. •

**2-Polarographic •  
cell**

-lifetime of a drop •

from 2 to 6 seconds •

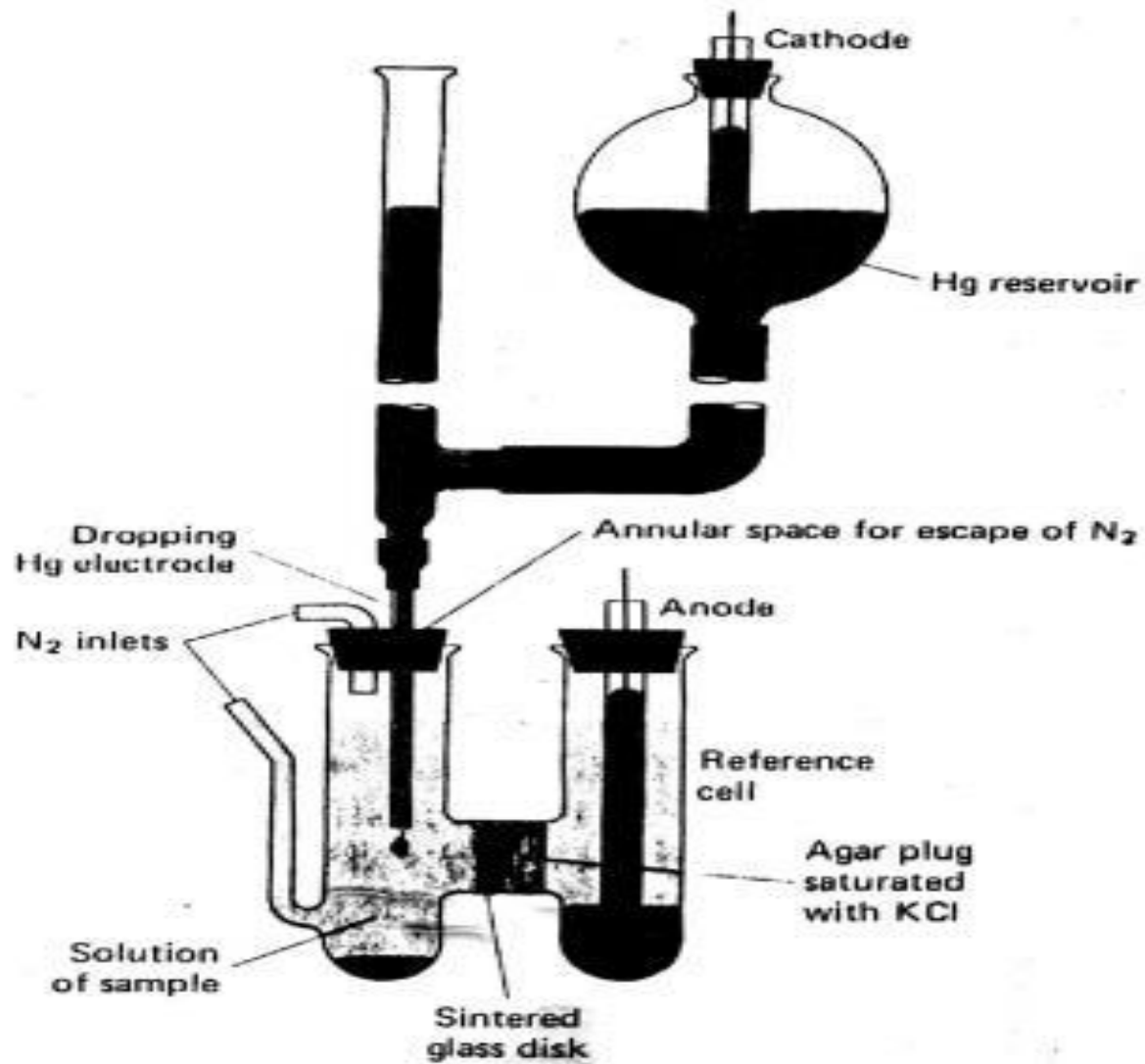
- **Nitrogen is bubbled •**

through the solution •

for five minutes **to •**

**expel oxygen. Also •**

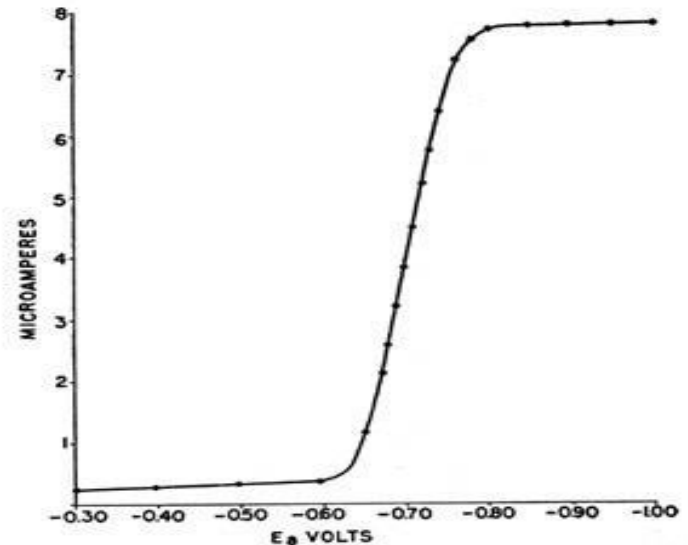
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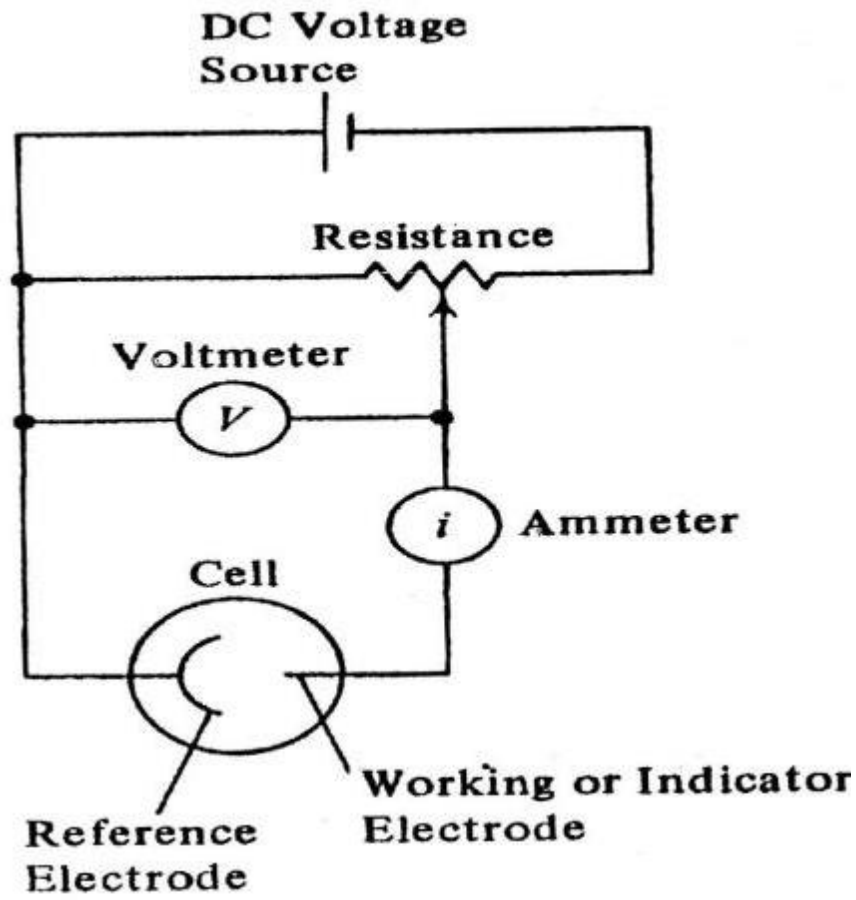


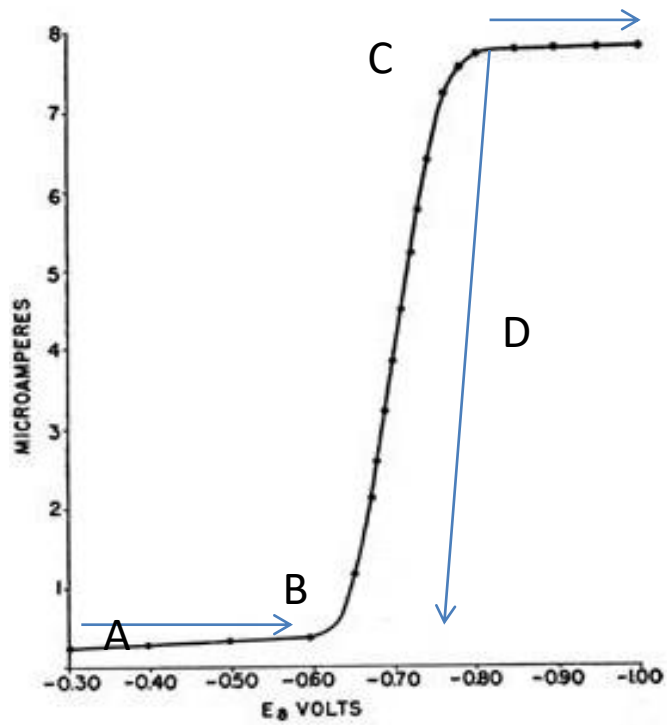
# Polarogram •

$I_{in}$  •

- -a plot of **current** as a •
- function of applied •
- **potential** •
- -The applied •
- potential is given a •
- **negative sign** as the •
- microelectrode is •
- connected to the •
- **negative terminal** of •
- the power supply. •







## **A-B : Activation polarization**

Increase in volt not accompanied by increase in current , additional potential is needed to overcome the energy

## **Barrier. B : Decomposition potential**

Potential once exceeded, reduction begins

**B-C : Increase in volt is accompanied by increase in current**

(diffusion current)

small current passing through the cell is known by residual current  $i_r$



## Ilkovič Equation:

$$I_d = 607 n D^{1/2} C m^{2/3} t^{1/6}$$

$I_d$  average diffusion current

$n$  number of electron in reduction of a molecule

$D$  diffusion coefficient

$C$  concentration

$m$  rate of the mercury flow in capillary

$t$  lifetime of a drop of mercury (2 to 7 sec. ).

$n, D, m$  and  $t$  are constants

( $i_d = k C$ )

$m^{2/3} t^{1/6}$  is known by the **capillary characteristics** it depends on

- 1- the mercury **column height** above the capillary tube
- 2- the internal **capillary dimensions**.

## A) Advantages of DME

1-The current voltage curve shows only the **process**

2- can be done in **acidic solutions** as **Large overvoltage** is needed for **reduction of H<sup>+</sup>**

3- reproducible results are obtained as Mercury electrode surface is **continuously renewed**, **smooth surface of the mercury drop** which allows reproducible rapid electron transfer. .

4- **several runs can be performed** using the same solution

as the **surface area** of the electrode is **very small** the

**amount electrolyzed** is negligible and the **concentration**

of the original solution nearly **remains the same**

5- The **reduced metals** at the electrode surface form

**amalgam**

## Disadvantage of the DME:

1) **potential above 0.4 V**

Hg metal is oxidized with a production of a wave that interferes with the analyte.

2-The **drop surface area** is changeable

3-The drop **surface area change** by of **potential** change

## Application of polarography

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graph TD; A[Application of polarography] --> B[In organic Polarography]; A --> C[organic Polarography];
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**organic  
Polarography**

**In organic  
Polarography**

**-Cations**

**-Anions**

**-Molecules**

## 1- Cations

a- No interference in  $E_{1/2}$ :

-Mixture of  $\text{Cu}^+$ ,  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$   $\text{Ni}^{2+}$   $\text{Zn}^{2+}$

$\text{Mn}^{2+}$  is determined

simultaneously in 0.5 M  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ , 0.5 M

$\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  as each

cation has its characteristic  $E_{1/2}$  and

shows separate

wave.



**b- interference in E1/2:**

**1-Pb<sup>2+</sup>, Ti<sup>+</sup> and Sn<sup>2+</sup>** the same E1/2 (-0.5V) in neutral and acidic medium.

**Use NaOH medium:**

- Pb<sup>2+</sup> form a complex with E1/2 -0.8 V
- Sn<sup>2+</sup> can be oxidized to Sn<sup>4+</sup> which is reduced at -0.35 V
- Ti<sup>+</sup> is reduced at -0.49.

**2- Cu<sup>2+</sup> and Bi<sup>3+</sup>** both are reduced at -0.25 in HNO<sub>3</sub>. Use **tartarate at pH 2 - 5** the potential is altered to -0.15 for **Cu<sup>2+</sup>** and - 0.37 for **Bi<sup>3+</sup>**.

# Amperometry

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## Definition

Amperometry refers to the measurement of current under a constant applied voltage and under these conditions it is the concentration of analyte which determine the magnitude of current.

In Amperometric titration the potential applied between the indicator electrode (dropping mercury electrode) and the appropriate depolarizing reference electrode (saturated calomel electrode) is kept constant and current through the electrolytic cell is then measured on the addition of each increment of titrating solution.

In these titrations the current passing through the cell between the indicator electrode and reference electrode at a suitable constant voltage is measured as a function of the volume of the titrating reagent.

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## **Principle:**

According to Ilkovic equation

( $I_d = 607 \times n \times D^{1/2} \times m^{2/3} \times t^{1/6} \times C$ ),

the diffusion current

( = limiting current - residual current) is

directly proportional to the concentration of

the electroactive

material in the solution.

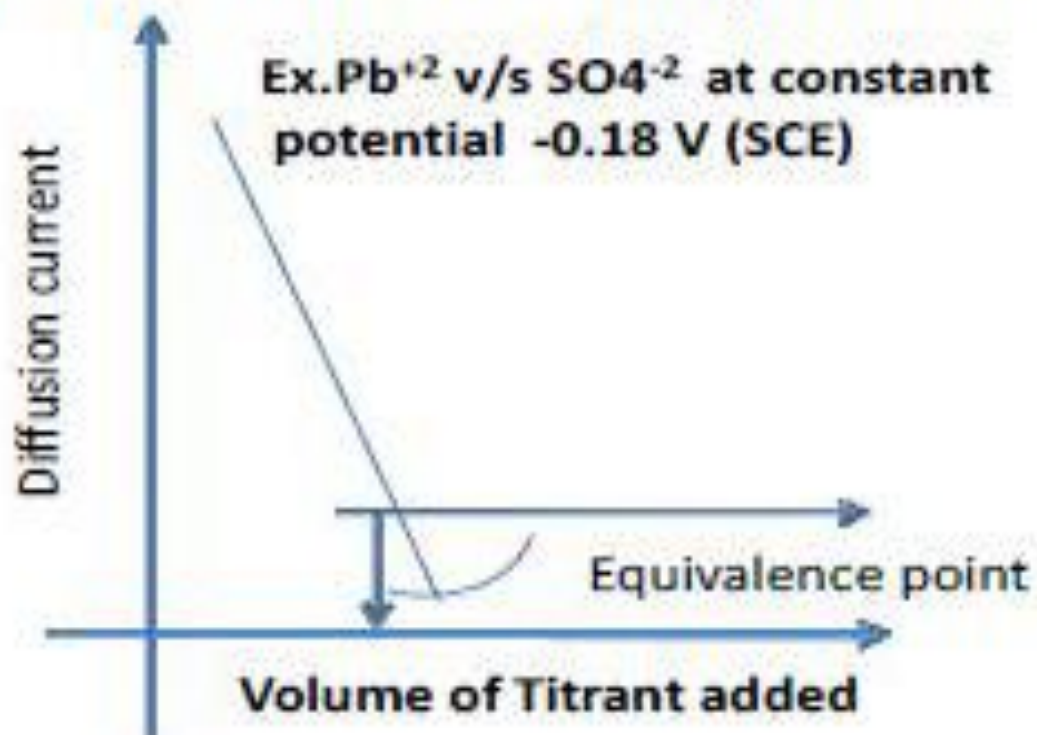
If some of the electro-active material is removed by interaction with reagent, the diffusion current will decrease. This is the fundamental principle of amperometric titrations. The observed diffusion current at a suitable applied voltage is measured as a function of the volume of the titrating solution: the end point is the point of intersection of two lines giving the change of current before and after the equivalence point

## *Titration Curves in Amperometry:*

□ **Titrand + Titrant  $\xrightarrow{\quad}$  Product.**

**A) Titrand is reducible but titrant and product not:** When solution containing  $\text{Pb}^{+2}$  ion is titrated against  $\text{SO}_4^{-2}$  ion. A precipitate of  $\text{PbSO}_4$  is formed. The titration can be performed at fixed potential  $-0.8$  Volt v/s saturated calomel electrode.

A) Titrant is reducible but titrant and product not.

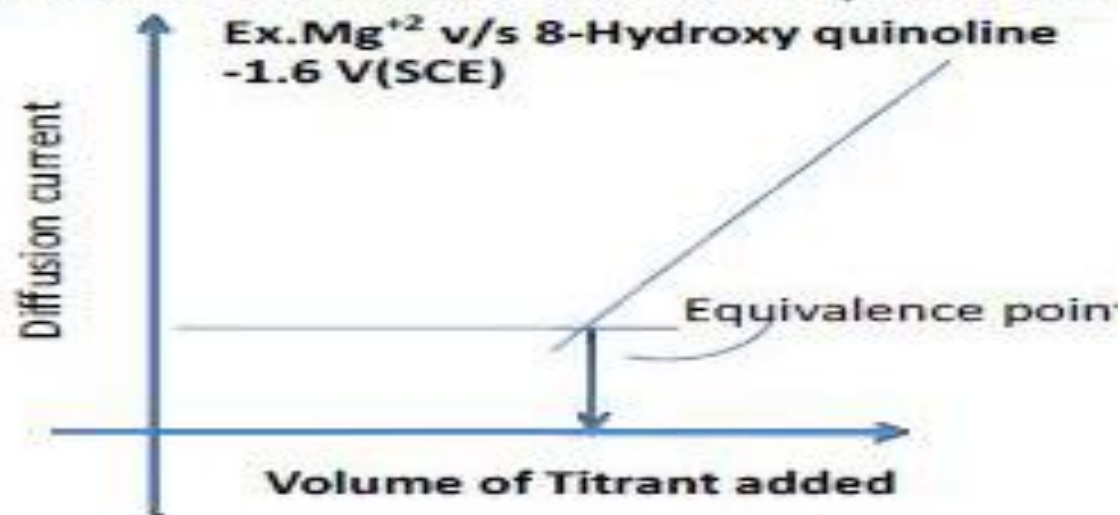


**B) Titrant is reducible but titrand and product not :** When solution containing  $Mg^{+2}$  ion is titrated against with the reducible species such as 8- hydroxy quinoline because  $Mg^{+2}$  ion does not undergoes reduction. Beyond the end point the 8- hydroxyl 4quinoline undergoes reduction. As its concentration increases diffusion current also increases.



B) Titrant is reducible but titrand and product not

Ex.  $Mg^{+2}$  v/s 8-Hydroxy quinoline  
-1.6 V(SCE)



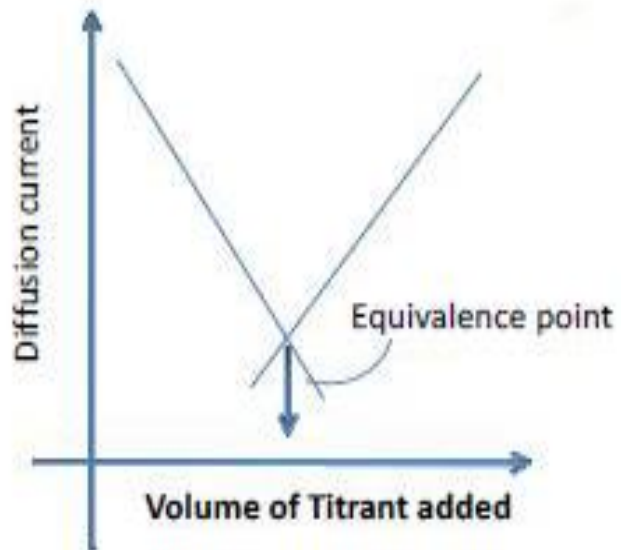
**C) Titrand and titrant both are reducible but product not :** When solution containing

$\text{Pb}^{+2}$

ion is titrated against  $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$  . The titration is performed at potential of -0.8 Volt v/s SCE .

Diffusion current is decreases due to removal of  $\text{Pb}^{+2}$  ion. The current is minimum at the end point. On further addition of the titrant the current once again increases. V shaped curve is obtained.

- c) Ttrand and titrant both are reducible but product not Ex.  $\text{Pb}^{+2}$  v/s  $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$ , at constant potential  $-0.8 \text{ V (SCE)}$



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### ➤ Introduction.

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- Advantages of conductometric titration.

## 3. Recent development

## 4. References

## INTRODUCTION: ▶

It is an electrochemical method of analysis concerned with electrical conductance through an electrolyte solution .

( or)

It is defined as determination or measurement of the electrical conductance of an electrolyte solution by means of a conductometer .

electric conductivity of an electrolyte solution depends ❖ on :

Type of ions (cations, anions ) . ١

Concentration of ions . ٢

Temperature . ٣

Mobility of ions . ٤

Conductance equal  $1/R$

The units of conductance = moh or ohm<sup>-1</sup>

- ❖ Conductometry means measuring the conductivity of ionic solutions caused by mobility of ions towards respective electrodes in presence of an electric field.
- ❖ Conductivity is measured by using conductometer. Units of conductivity is mhos( $\Omega^{-1}$ ).
- ❖ Conductivity is generally measured by using a Wheatstone bridge circuit and a conductivity cell made of platinum.

$$R = V/i$$

V-potential difference in volts

i-current in amperes

$$C = 1/R$$

Total conductance of the solution is directly proportional to the sum of the  $n$  individual ion contributions .

$$G = \sum c_i \Lambda_{m,i}$$



## Ohm's law-

The magnitude of conductometric titration is based on ohm's law.

$$i = e/R$$

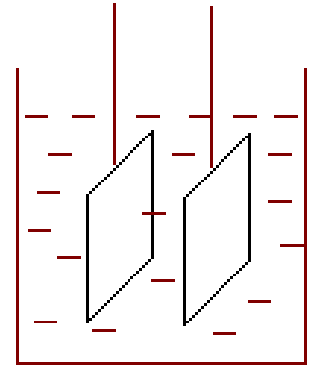
where

$i$  = current in amperes

$e$  = potential difference

$R$  = resistance in ohm's

# Conductivity measurements



## 1. Electrodes

Two parallel platinized Pt. foil electrodes or Pt. black with electrodeposited a porous Pt. film which increases the surface area of the electrodes and further reduces faradaic polarization.

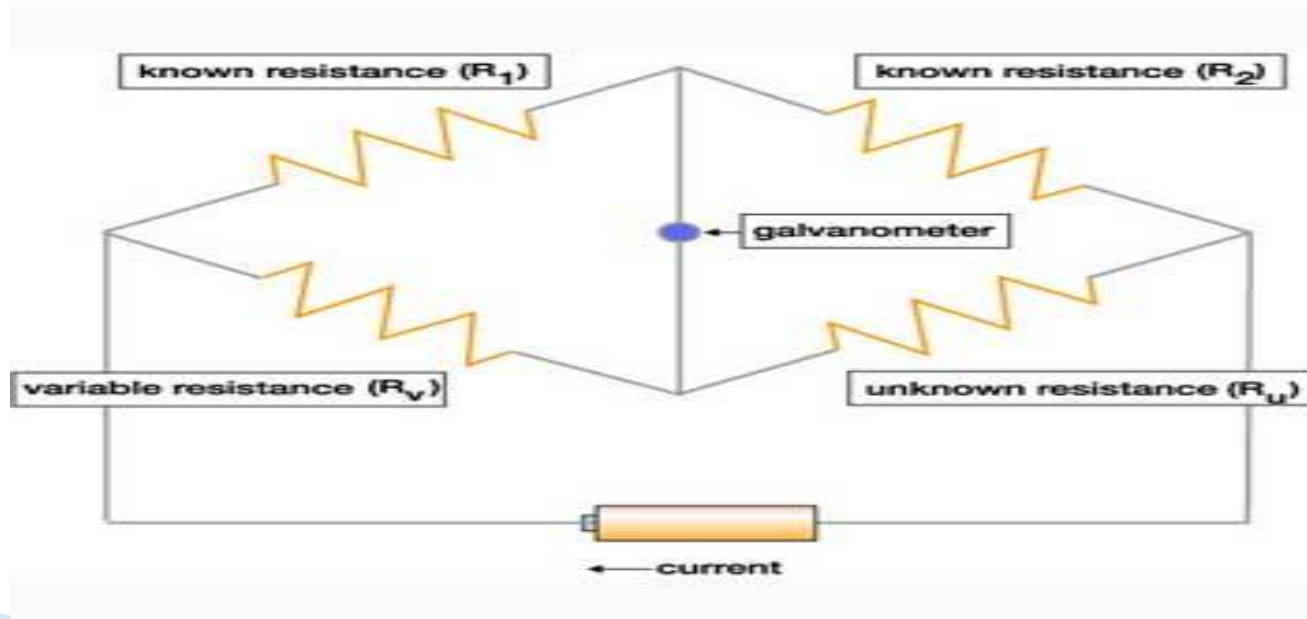
## 2. Primary standard solutions

Primary standard KCl solution ,at 25°C, 7.419g of KCl in 1000g of solution has a specific conductivity of  $0.01286\Omega^{-1}/\text{cm}$ .

### 3. Conductivity Cell :

### 4. Wheat stone bridge :

Avoid the change of temperature during determination



## Factors affecting conductivity:

- ❖ Size of ions
  - ❖ Temperature
  - ❖ Number of ions
  - ❖ Charge of ions
- 
- ✓ Specific conductivity:-It is conductivity offered by a substance of 1cm length and 1sq.cm surface area. units are mhos/cm.
  - ✓ Equivalent conductivity:-it is conductivity offered by a solution containing equivalent weight of solute in it.

# Molar conductance of various ions at infinite dilution at 25°C

<b>ions</b>	<b>molar conductance</b>
<b>K<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>73.52</b>
<b>Na<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>50.11</b>
<b>Li<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>38.69</b>
<b>H<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>349.82</b>
<b>Ag<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>61.92</b>
<b>Cl<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>76.34</b>
<b>Br<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>78.4</b>
<b>OH<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>198</b>

# APPLICATIONS OF CONDUCTOMETRY

It can be used for the determination of:-

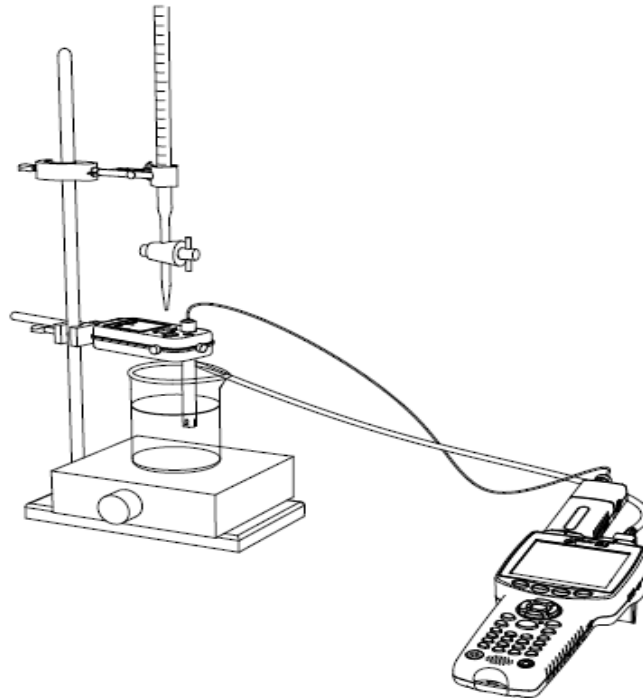
- Solubility of sparingly soluble salts
- Ionic product of water
- Basicity of organic acids
- Salinity of sea water (oceanographic work)
- Chemical equilibrium in ionic reactions
- Purity of distilled and de - ionised water can determined
- Conductometric titration

## CONDUCTOMETRIC TITRATIONS: ▶

Is a process of quantitative chemical analysis in which conc of a sample is determined. Which is done by adding a reagent( titrant ) of known conc in measured volumes to the sample (analyte )

# CONDUCTOMETRIC TITRATIONS:

- The determination of end point of a titration by means of conductivity measurements are known as conductometric titrations.





## TYRES OF CONDUCTOMETRIC TITRATIONS: ▶

Acid -base or neutral titrations •

Replacement or displacement titrations •

Redox titrations •

Precipitation titrations •

Complexometric titrations •

Non-aqueous titrations •

## ACID– BASE OR NEUTRAL TITRATIONS: .)

STRONG ACID–STRONG BASE ➤

e.g.: HCL vs NaOH •

STRONG ACID–WEAK BASE ➤

e.g.: HCL vs NH<sub>4</sub>OH •

WEAK ACID–STRONG BASE ➤

e.g.: CH<sub>3</sub>COOH vs NaOH •

WEAK ACID –WEAK BASE ➤

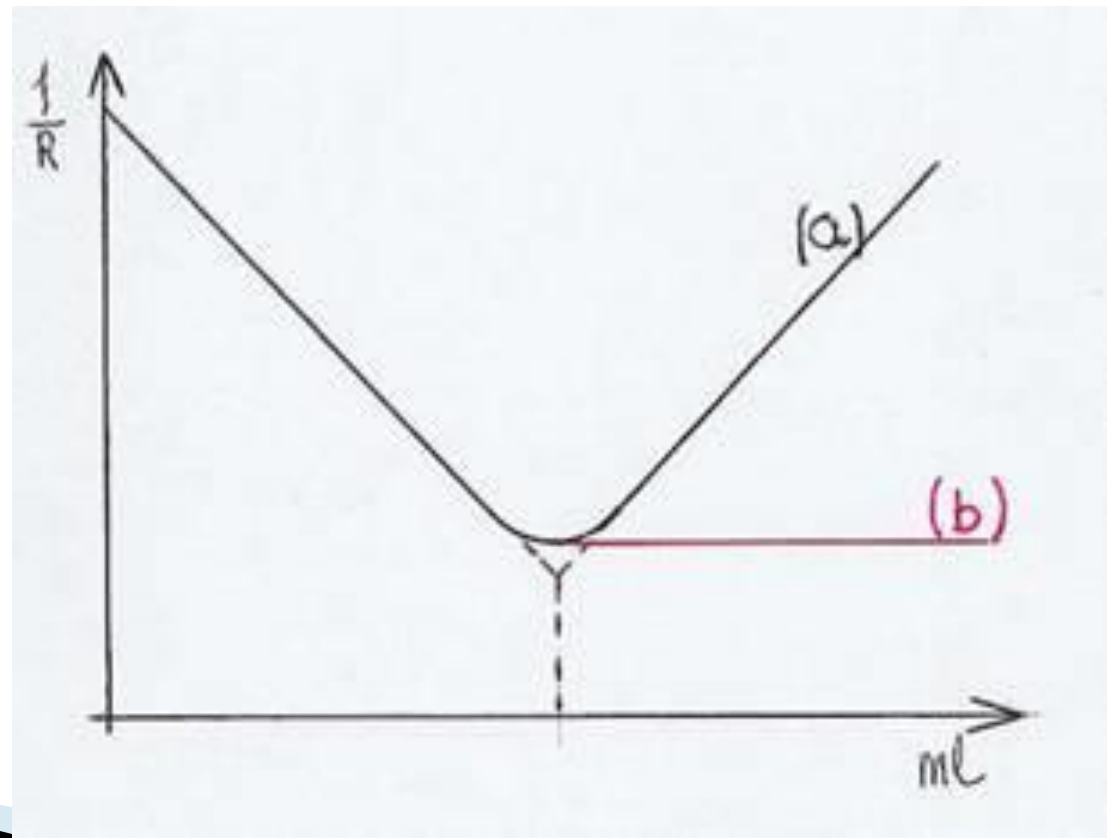
e.g.: CH<sub>3</sub>COOH vs NH<sub>4</sub>OH •

# ACID-BASE TITRATIONS

- Titration of **strong acid**

(a) with **strong base** e.g. **HCl** with **NaOH**

(b) with **weak base** e.g. **HCl** with **NH<sub>4</sub>OH**

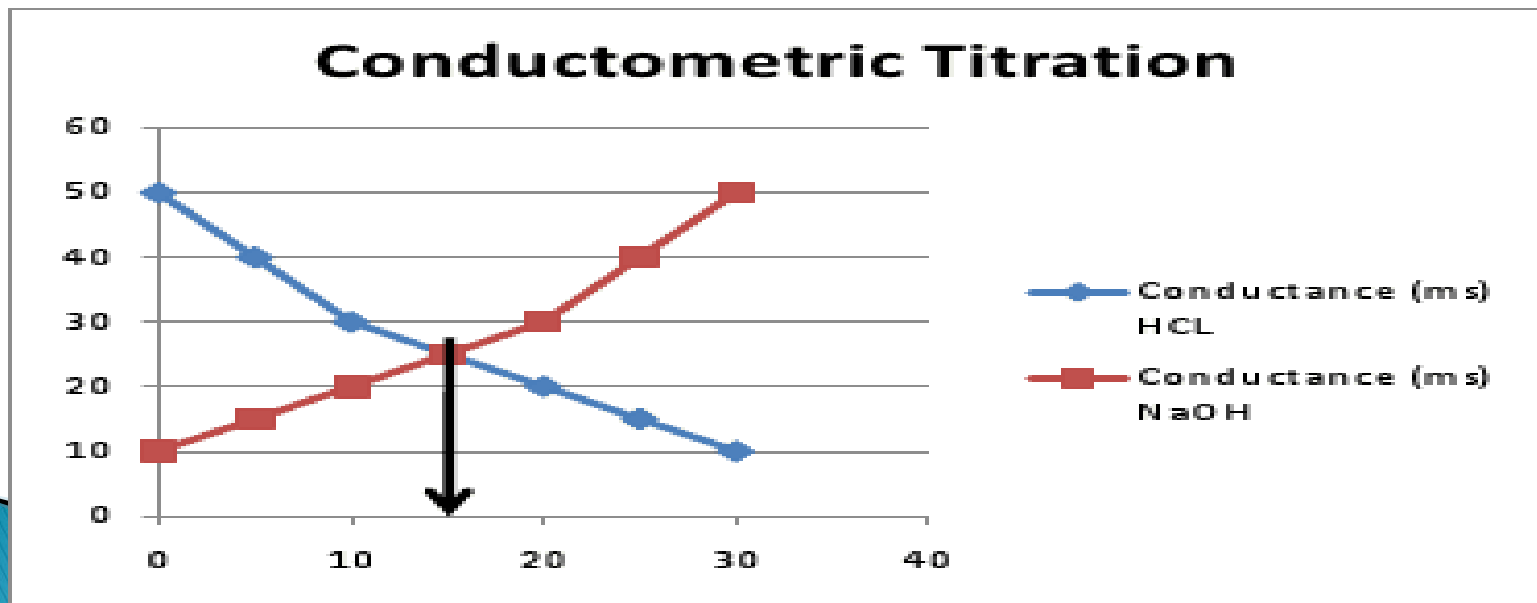


Strong acid vs strong base: ▶

Fall in conductance due to replacement of high conductivity Hydrogen ions by poor conductivity sodium ions •

Rise in conductance due to increase in hydroxyl ions •

### Strong Acid-Strong Base

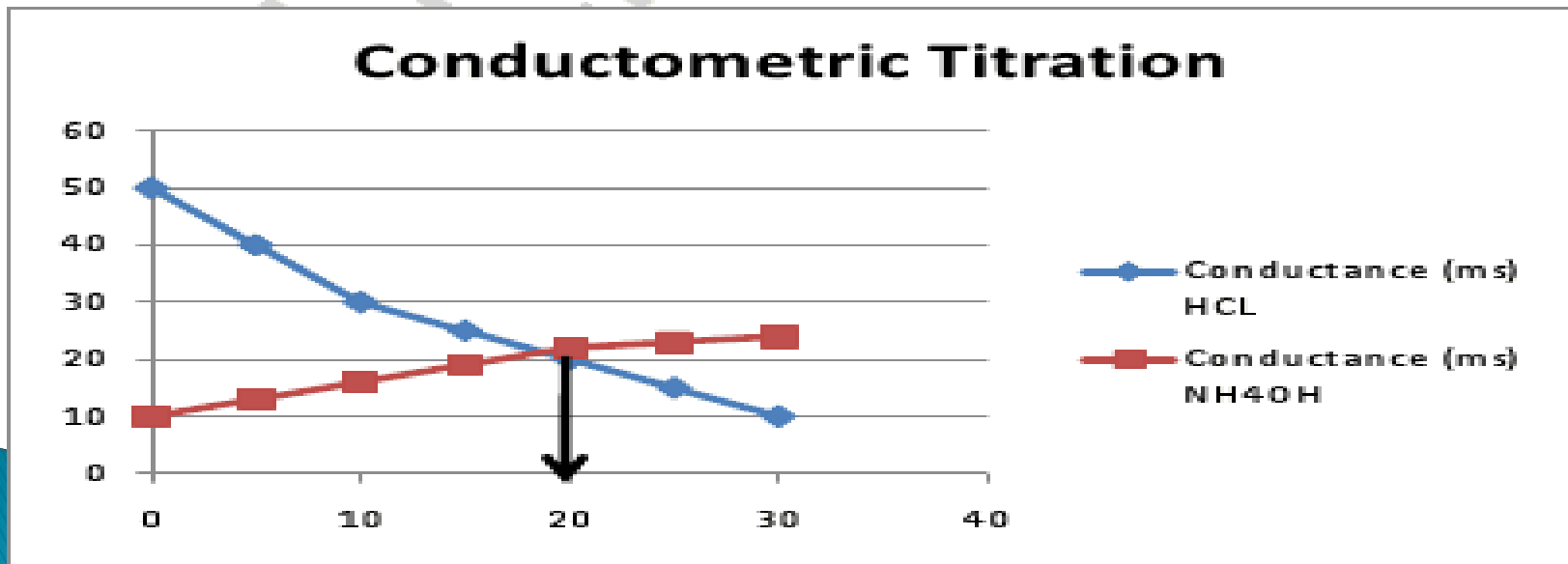


Strong acid– weak base: ▶

Fall in conductance due to replacement of hydrogen by ammonium ions •

Conductance remain constant due to supression of  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  by  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  •

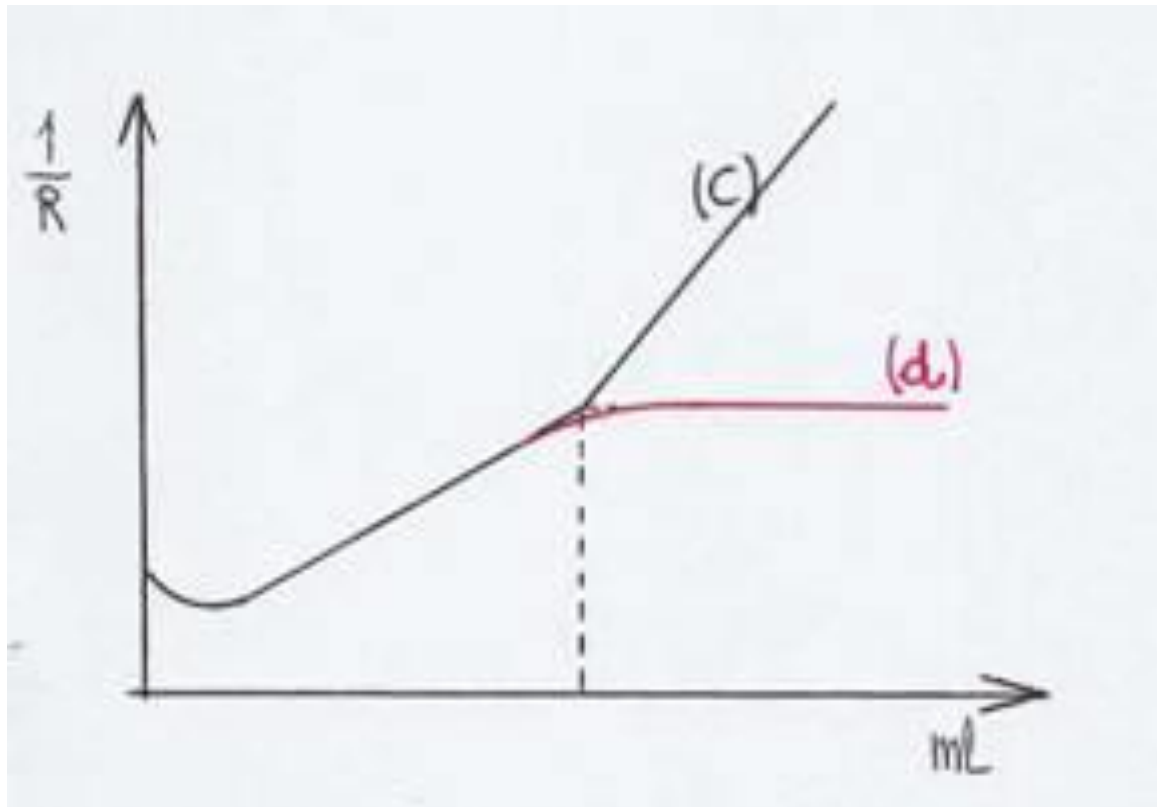
### Strong Acid-Weak Base



- **Titration of weak acid**

(c) with strong base e.g.  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  with  $\text{NaOH}$

(d) with weak base e.g.  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  with  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$

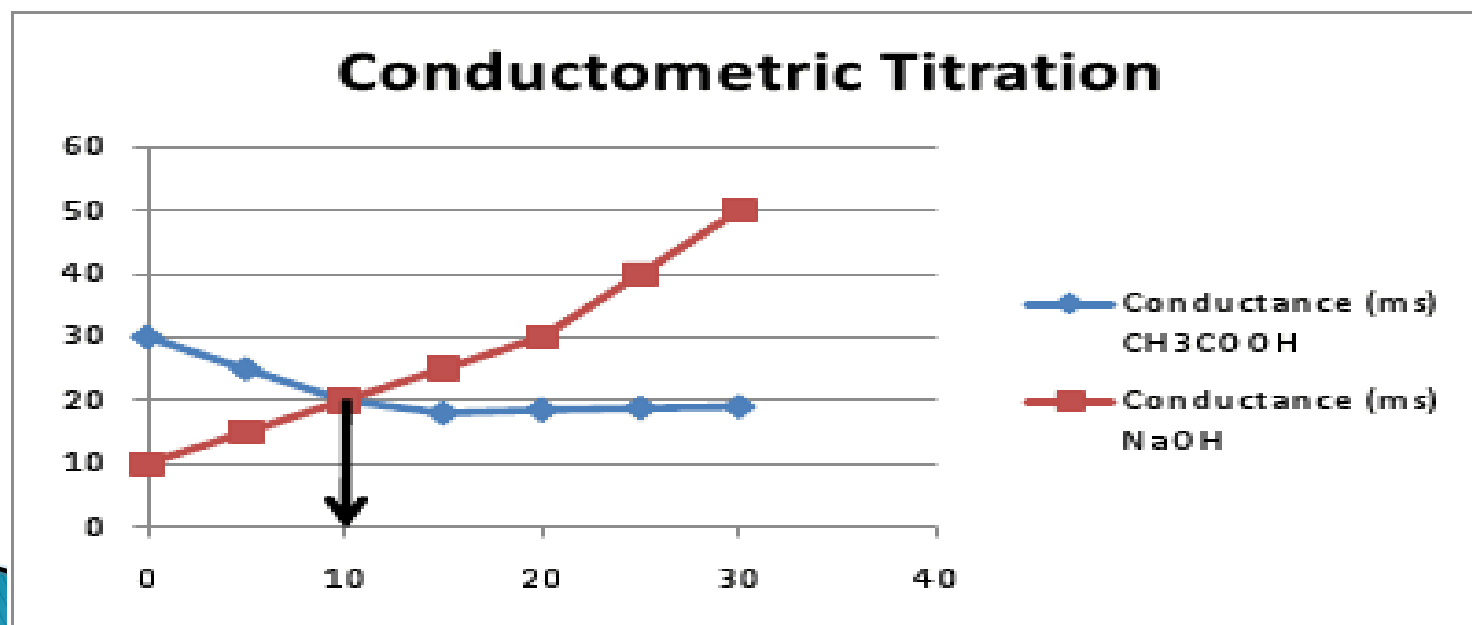


Weak acid -Strong base: ▶

Initial decrease in conductance followed by •  
increase due to NaOH

Steep rise due to excess of NaOH •

### Weak Acid-Strong Base

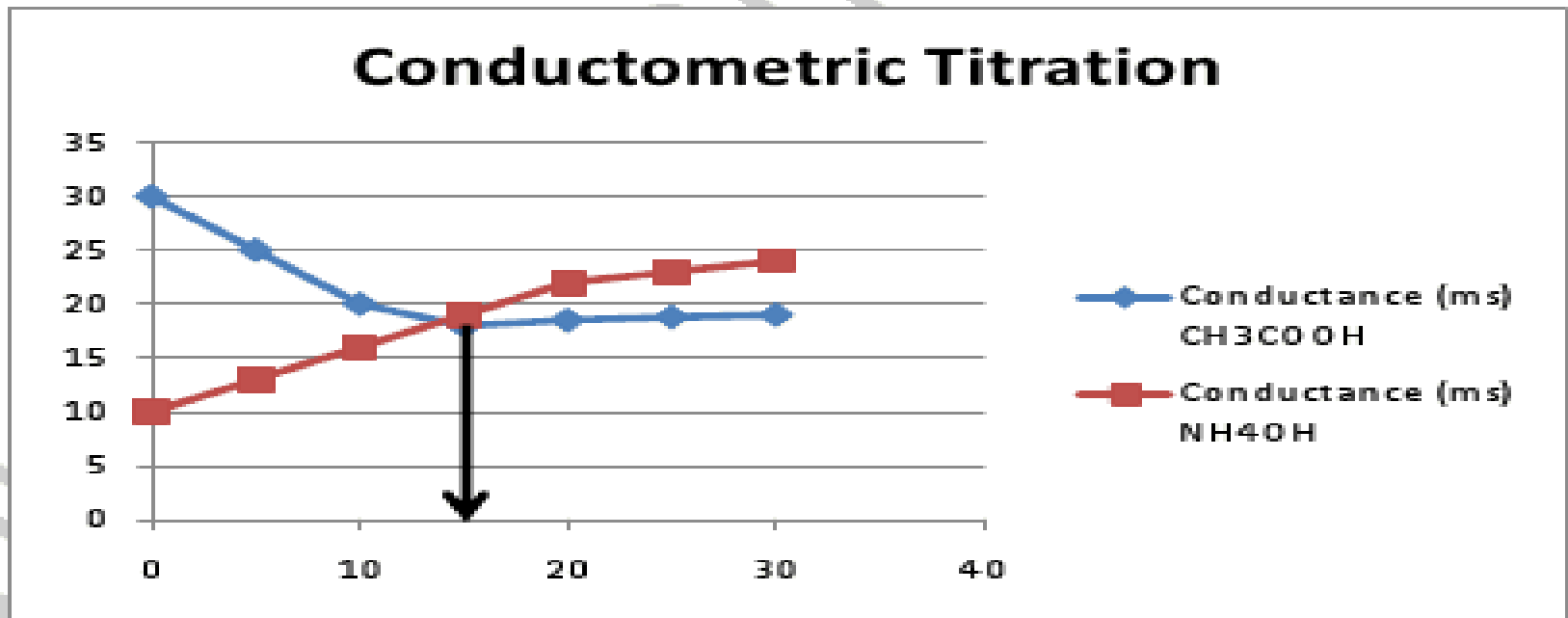


Weak acid- weak base: ▶

Increase in conductance due to excess of  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$

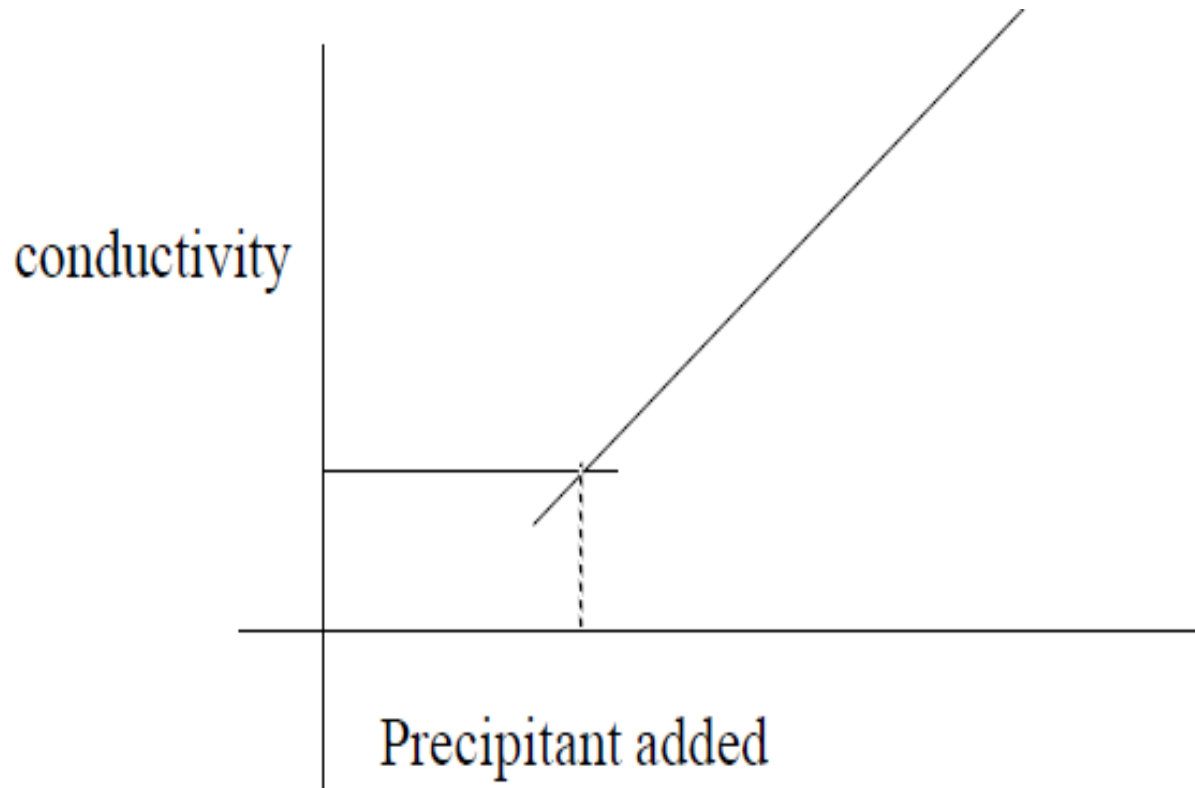
Constant conductance due to suppression of  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  by  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$

### Weak Acid-Weak Base





# PRECIPITATION TITRATIONS:-



# REPLACEMENT TITRATIONS

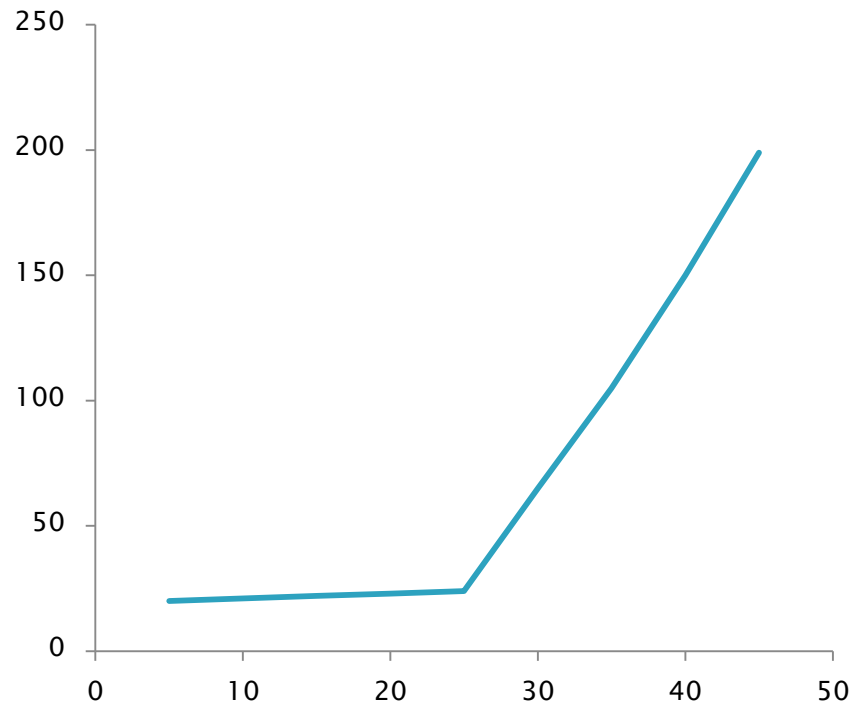
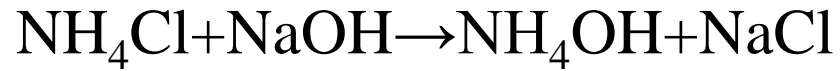
- Salt of strong acid and weak base vs. strong base

Ex: ammonium chloride vs. sodium hydroxide

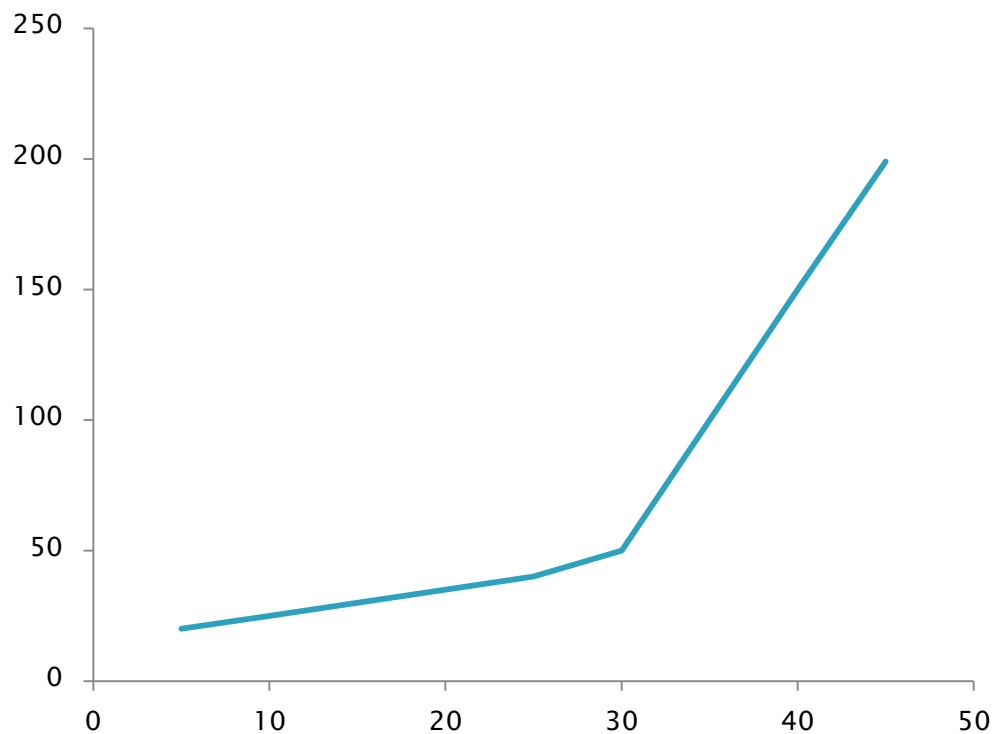
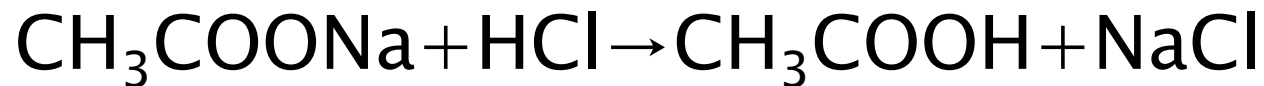
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Eg: sodium acetate vs. hydrochloric acid

a) Salt of strong acid, weak base vs. strong base

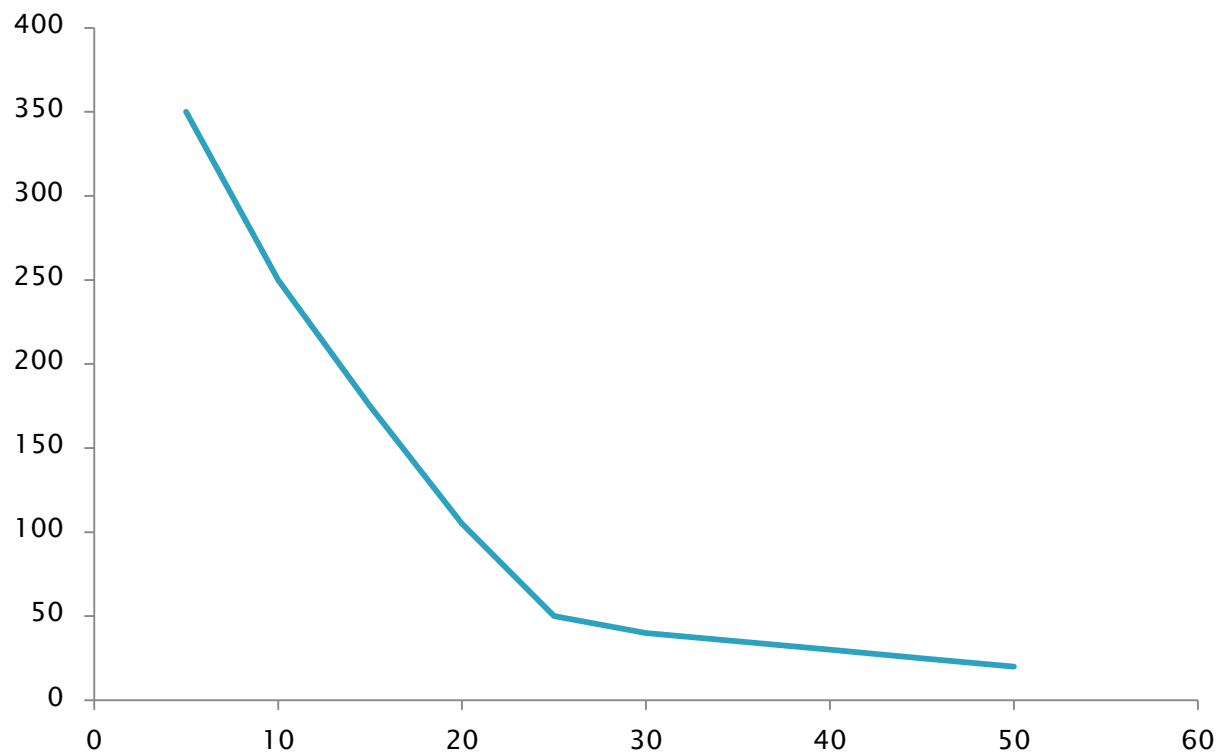
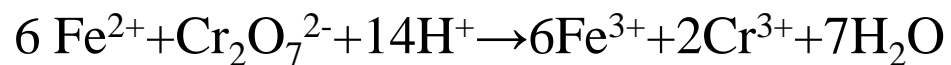


b) Salt of strong base and weak acid vs. strong acid



# REDOX TITRATION

Titration of ferrous ions with dichromate ions:



# COMPLEXOMETRIC TITRATION

-KCl vs.  $\text{Hg}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$

- Non-aqueous titrations can also be measured using conductometry.
  - a) titration of weak bases vs. perchloric acid in dioxan-formic acid.
  - b) Titration of weak organic acids in methanol vs. tetra methyl ammonium hydroxide in methanol-benzene.

# ADVANTAGES OF CONDUCTOMETRIC TITRATIONS

- No need of indicator
- Colored or dilute solutions or turbid suspensions can be used for titrations.
- Temperature is maintained constant throughout the titration.
- End point can be determined accurately and errors are minimized as the end point is being determined graphically.

## Disadvantages of conductometric titration:

\*\*Increased level of salts in solution masks the conductivity changes, in such cases it does not give accurate results


\*\*Application of conductometric titrations to redox systems is limited because, high concentrations of hydronium ions in the solution tends to mask the changes in conductance



# **SOLVENT EXTRACTION**



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# 1-1) Introduction To Solvent Extraction

Solvent extraction is a technique extensively utilized in both industrial applications and in the laboratory. It includes a variety of techniques such as liquid-liquid extraction (LLE), Liquid-solid extraction (LSE), supercritical fluid extraction (SFE), and other special techniques.

LLE is an extraction technique applied to liquids, liquid samples, or samples in solution, using a liquid extracting medium.

## 1-2) **Introduction To Solvent Extraction**

The quality of manufactured products often depends on proper chemical proportions, and measurement of the constituents is a necessary part of quality control [1].

Solvent extraction technique is a part of analytical chemistry and has been recognized as an excellent separation method because of its ease, simplicity, speed, and wide scope.

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1) G. D. Christian, Analytical chemistry 6th Ed. (2004).

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## **2-1) BASIC PRINCIPLES OF SOLVENT**

### **Extraction Method**

An extractant, is a substance primarily responsible for the transfer of a solute (here metal) from one phase to the other.

The extractant is dissolved in a suitable diluent and together act as a solvent. The diluent is immiscible with other phase which is usually water.

## **2-2) BASIC PRINCIPLES OF SOLVENT EXTRACTION METHOD**

**The extractant reacts with the solute by solvation/chelation/ion pair formation etc. to extract from the aqueous phase.**

**The distribution equilibrium between two phases is governed by Gibbs phase rule, given by:**



## **GIBBS PHASE RULE,**

$$P+V=C+2 \quad (1)$$

Where,

P = is the number of phases,

V = is the variance or degree of freedom and

C = is the number of components

**And the number 2 corresponds Temp. and Pressure .**



## **GIBBS PHASE RULE,**

In solvent extraction, we have

$$P = 2$$

two phases namely aqueous and organic phase,

the component  $C=1$ , viz. solute, in solvent and water phase and at constant temperature and pressure  $P=1$ , thus, we therefore have

$$2+1=1+2 \text{ i.e. } P+V= C+2 \text{ .....(2)}$$

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# **Nernst Distribution Law**

**According to Nernst distribution law,  
If  $[X]_1$  is concentration of solute in  
phase 1 and  $[X]_2$  is the concentration  
of solute in phase 2 at equilibrium:**

$$K_D = [X]_1 / [X]_2 \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

**Where  $K_D$  is called as the partition  
coefficient or distribution coefficient**

# The Partition Coefficient Or Distribution Coefficient

this partition or distribution coefficient (**K<sub>D</sub>**)

is independent of the total solute concentration in either of the phases



# ***Distribution Ratio (D)***

The distribution of a solute between two immiscible solvents in contact to each other can be described by the distribution Ratio (D)

$$D = [X]_1 / [X]_2$$

**Where [X] represents the stoichiometric or formal concentration of a substance X**  
and the subscripts 1 and 2 refer to the two phases.

# **Distribution Ratio (D)**

Since in most cases, two-phase system is of analytical interest, an organic solvent and aqueous are involved, D will be understood to be;  $D = [X]_{\text{org}} / [X]_{\text{aq}}$

The subscript org. and aq. refer to the organic and aqueous phases **respectively**

Distribution ratio 'D' is dimensionless quantity, separation of two solutes by solvent extraction is expressed by the term, separation factor ( $\alpha$ ),

which is related to individual distribution ratios,

# Separation Factor

$$\alpha = D_A / D_B$$

$D_A$  and  $D_B$  are

the respective distribution ratios of  
solute A and B.

# Percent Extraction (%E)


The more commonly used term for expressing the extraction efficiency by analytical chemist is the percent extraction “E”, which is related to “D” as

$$\% \text{ Extraction } (E) = \frac{(100D)}{D+V_{aq}/V_{org}}$$

Where, V represent solvent volume and the other quantities remain as previously defined.

The percent extraction may be seen to vary with the volume ratio of the two phases as well as with D.

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### 3) **Solvent Extraction May Serve**

the following three purposes:


i) Preconcentration of trace elements

ii) Elimination of matrix interference

iii) Differentiation of chemical species.



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## **4) Classification Of Extraction Systems**

**The** classification of extraction systems is based upon the process of extraction.

**Thus, based upon the process of extraction,**  
extraction systems can be classified into  
**four major classes**



# **Classification Of Extraction Systems**

- a) Chelate extraction
  - b) Extraction by solvation
  - c) Extraction involving ion pair formation
  - d) Synergic extraction
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**(a -1)**

## **Chelate Extraction**

**In this class, extraction proceeds by the process of formation of chelate or closed ring structure between the chelating agent and the metal ion to be extracted.**

**e.g.**

**i) The extraction of Uranium with 8-hydroxyquinoline in chloroform.**

## (a-2 ) Chelate Extraction

### ii) The extraction of Iron with cupferron in carbon tetrachloride

the ammonium salt of *N*-nitroso-*N*-phenylhydroxylamine, is a common reagent for the complexation of metal ions. Its formula is  $\text{NH}_4[\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{N}(\text{O})\text{NO}]$ . The anion binds to metal cations through the two oxygen atoms, forming five-membered chelate rings.

Cupferron is prepared from phenylhydroxylamine and an  $\text{NO}^+$  source:

## **b) Extraction By Solvation**

**In this class, the extraction proceeds by the process of solvation of the species which is extracted into organic phase. Oxygenated organic solvents such as alcohols (C-OH), ketones, ethers and esters show some basicity because of the**

**lone pair of electron on the oxygen atom and can therefore directly solvate**

**protons and metal ions and bring about their extraction.**

**e.g. i) The extraction of Uranium with tributyl phosphate from nitric acid**

**ii) The extraction of Iron(III) with diethyl ether from hydrochloric acid.**

## **C) Extraction Involving Ion Pair Formation**

**The extraction proceeds with the formation of neutral uncharged species which in turn gets extracted in to the organic phase. The best example of this is the extraction of Scandium and Uranium with trioctyl amine from mineral acids.**

**In this case an ion pair is formed between complex of metal ion with high molecular weight amine and anionic species of mineral acids.**




## **D) Synergic Extraction**

**In this case, there is enhancement in the extraction on account of use of two extractants.**

**e.g. the extraction of Uranium with tributylphosphate (TBP) as well as 2-thionyltrifluoroacetone (TTA).**



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## **5) Methods Of Extraction**

**Three basic methods of liquid-liquid extraction are generally utilized in the analytical laboratory.**



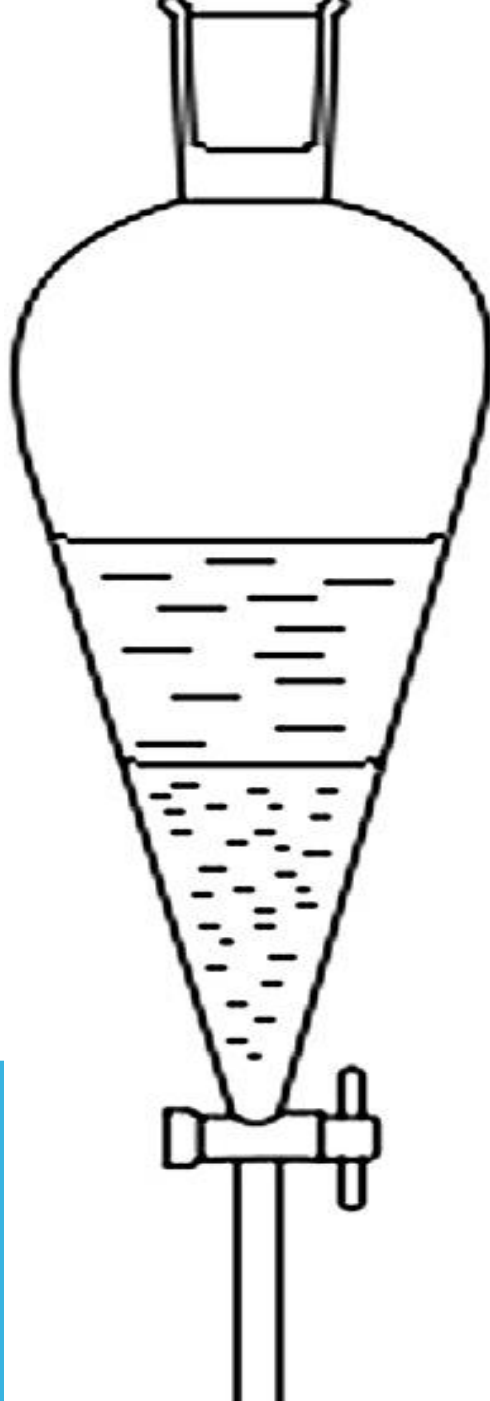
# A) Batch Extraction

Batch extraction, the simplest and most commonly used method, consists of extracting the solute from one immiscible layer into other by shaking the two layers until equilibrium is attained, after which the layers are allowed to settle before sampling.

**This is** commonly used on the small scale in chemical laboratories.

The most commonly employed apparatus for performing a batch extraction is a **separatory funnel**.

The batch extractions may also be used with **advantage when the distribution ratio is large.**



# **B-1) Continuous Extraction**

**The second type, continuous extraction, makes use of a continuous flow of**

**immiscible solvent through the solution or a continuous countercurrent flow of both phases.**

**Continuous extractions are particularly applicable when the distribution ratio is relatively small.**

**Continuous extraction device operate on the same general principle, which consist of distilling the extracting solvent from a boiler flask and condensing it and passing it continuously through the solution being extracted.**



## **B-2) Continuous Extraction**

**.The extracting liquid separates out and flows back into the receiving flask, where it is again evaporated and recycled while the extracted solute remains in the receiving flask.**

**When the solvent cannot easily be distilled, a continuous supply of fresh solvent may be added from a reservoir**


# C) Countercurrent Extractions

**Extraction by continuous countercurrent distribution is the third general type and is used primarily for fractionation purposes.**

**The separation through continuous countercurrent method is achieved by virtue of the density difference between the fluids in contact. In vertical columns, the denser phase enters at the top and flows downwards while the less dense phase enters from the bottom and flows upwards. The choice of method to be employed will depend primarily upon the value of the distribution ratio of the solute of interest, as well as on the separation factors of the interfering materials.**



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## **6) Factors Influencing The Extraction Efficiency**

**Primary requirement of solvent extraction for separation /removal purposes is**


**a high distribution ratio of the solute of interest between the two liquid phases.**

**It is useful to employ a number of different techniques for enhancing the distribution ratio.**

**It depends on the nature of the species being extracted and extraction system.**

**The attainment of selectivity in an extraction procedure is also very important.**

**Some of the factors, which affect the distribution of solute of interest, are given below.**




# 6-1) Nonchemical Factors Affecting Extraction

**factors address the nonchemical elements of the extraction, which include**

- (1) the choice of the extraction technique,**
- (2) the choice of solvent and aqueous phase volumes,**
- (3) the time of extraction,**
- (4) the solvent evaporation procedure, etc.**

These factors are important for achieving the appropriate extraction efficiency for a successful utilization of LLE in sample preparation. The choice of the extraction procedure (batch or continuous), the number of extractions when using the batch procedure, etc.,

## **6-2) Factors Affecting Solvent Extraction**

- A) Choice of solvent**
  - B) Acidity of an aqueous phase**
  - C) Stripping**
  
  - D) Use of masking agents**
  - E) Salting-out agents**
  - F-) Variation of oxidation state**
  - G) Synergic Extraction**
  - H) Use of organic acid media**
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# Solvent Extraction (part 2)

efficiency

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# A) Choice of solvent

safety, the toxicity and the flammability of the solvent •  
must be considered.

Use of a suitable solvent for effective separation is •  
very important. Metal

chelates and many organic molecules, being •  
essentially covalent compounds do

not impose many restrictions on the solvent and the •  
general rules of solubility

are the great use. In ion association systems and •  
particularly in oxonium type

ions, the role of solvents is very important. This is due •  
to involvement of solvent

in the formation of extractable species. •

# B) Acidity of an aqueous phase

The extractability of metal complexes is greatly influenced by the acidity of an aqueous phase, so it is necessary to assure optimum concentration of  $H^+$  ions for maximum extraction. In the case of chelate extraction, the chelating reagent concentration is maintained constant; the distribution of the metal in a system is a function of pH. For this reason, curves of extractability versus pH at constant reagent concentration are of great analytical significance. Sometimes it is possible to achieve the desired characteristics of a solvent by employing a mixed solvent system.

# C) Stripping

Stripping is the removal of the extracted solute from the organic phase for further processing or analysis. In many colorimetric procedures and even radioactive techniques, the concentration of solute is determined directly in the organic phase. However, where further separation steps are required, it is necessary to remove the solute from the organic layer to more stable medium.

## D) Use of masking agents

In the extraction procedures for metal pairs that are difficult to separate; masking or sequestering agents are introduced to improve the separation factor.

# E) Salting-out agents

The term salting-out agent is applied to those electrolytes whose addition greatly enhances the extractability of complexes. The function of salting-out agent would be primarily of providing a higher concentration of complex and thus improve the extraction. Water is probably bound as a shell of oriented water dipoles around the ion and thus becoming unavailable as “free solvent”. Addition of salting-out agents decreases the dielectric constant

Addition of salting-out agents decreases •  
the dielectric constant of the  
aqueous phase, which favors the •  
formation of the ion association  
complexes.

Salting-out agents have been used with •  
great success in separation involving the  
halide and thiocynate systems. •

# F) Backwashing

Backwashing is an auxiliary technique used with batch extractions to influence quantitative separations of This technique is analogous in many respects to the re-precipitation step in a gravimetric precipitation procedure. With the proper conditions, most of the impurities can be removed by this backwashing operation, with negligible loss of the main component, thereby attaining a selective operation.elements.

## F-) Variation of oxidation state

The selectivity of an extraction is increased by the modification of oxidation states of the interfering ions present in solution, in order to prevent the formation of their extractable metal complexes e.g. reduction of Cerium(IV) to Cerium(III) prevents extraction of this element from nitrate media, the extraction of Iron(III) from chloride solutions can be prevented by reduction to Iron(II), which is not extractable. Similarly, Antimony(V) may be reduced to the tetravalent state to suppress its extraction.

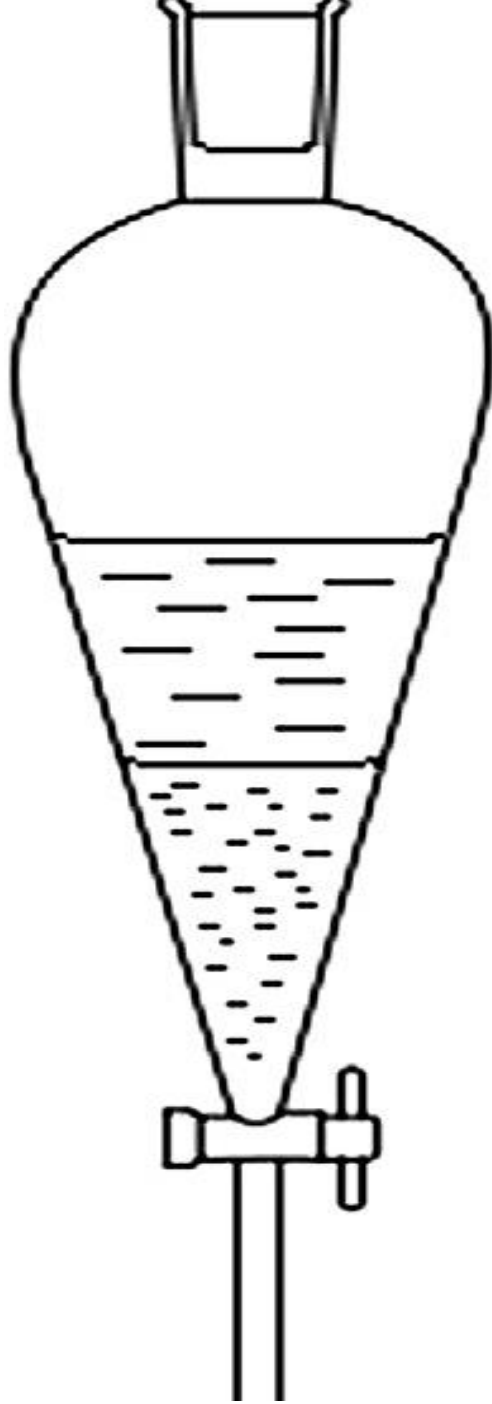


## G) Synergic Extraction

Synergism is defined as the combined •  
action of two complexing reagents,  
which is greater than the sum of the •  
actions of the individual reagents used  
alone. An example of the synergic •  
extraction of Ce(III) with picrolonic acid  
and benzo-15-crown-5.

## H) Use of organic acid media

Organic acid media are having ability of •  
controlling the concentration of  
the complexing ligand, is one of the unique •  
application, the ease of adjustment of  
pH and the wide difference in pH at which •  
various metal ions form  
anionic complexes. •



# 7) Applications

**Removal of high boiling organics from wastewater**  
such aniline, phenols, nitrate aromatics have

**Removal of carboxylic acid**

**Essential oil extraction**

**Agricultural chemical extraction**

Agricultural chemicals such as herbicides and pesticides

**Food industry applications**



## **Removal of high boiling organics from wastewater**

New technologies are developing day by day to reuse the water efficiently. Presence of micro pollutant such as aniline, phenols, nitrate aromatics have adverse effect which renders the reuse of water. Solvent extraction method was reported as most effective method to remove and recover these chemicals from the wastewater.

Several extractants including octanol, amines, cyanex, diethyl carbonate, ionic liquid etc. has been employed to remove high boiling organics especially phenol from wastewater. [5].

### **Removal of carboxylic acid**

Acetic acid is produced during fermentation of yeast which is an important inhibiting agents [11]. This acetic acid as well as other carboxylic acids and dicarboxylic acids

such as formic acid, succinic acid, valeric acid etc. are removed from aqueous stream using LLE process. LLE process is more economical and less energy consuming process compared to the distillation process [6].

## **Essential oil extraction**

Bio-oil is produced from biomass pyrolysis. The end product is a complex mixture of different organic compounds. Due to high water content and high viscous property of bio-oil, LLE method is an efficient process to separate bio-oil according to their polarity and different chemical groups compared to the solid-phase extraction. The effect of extraction solvent and volume ratio is significant in case of LLE of bio-oil [8].

### **Agricultural chemical extraction**

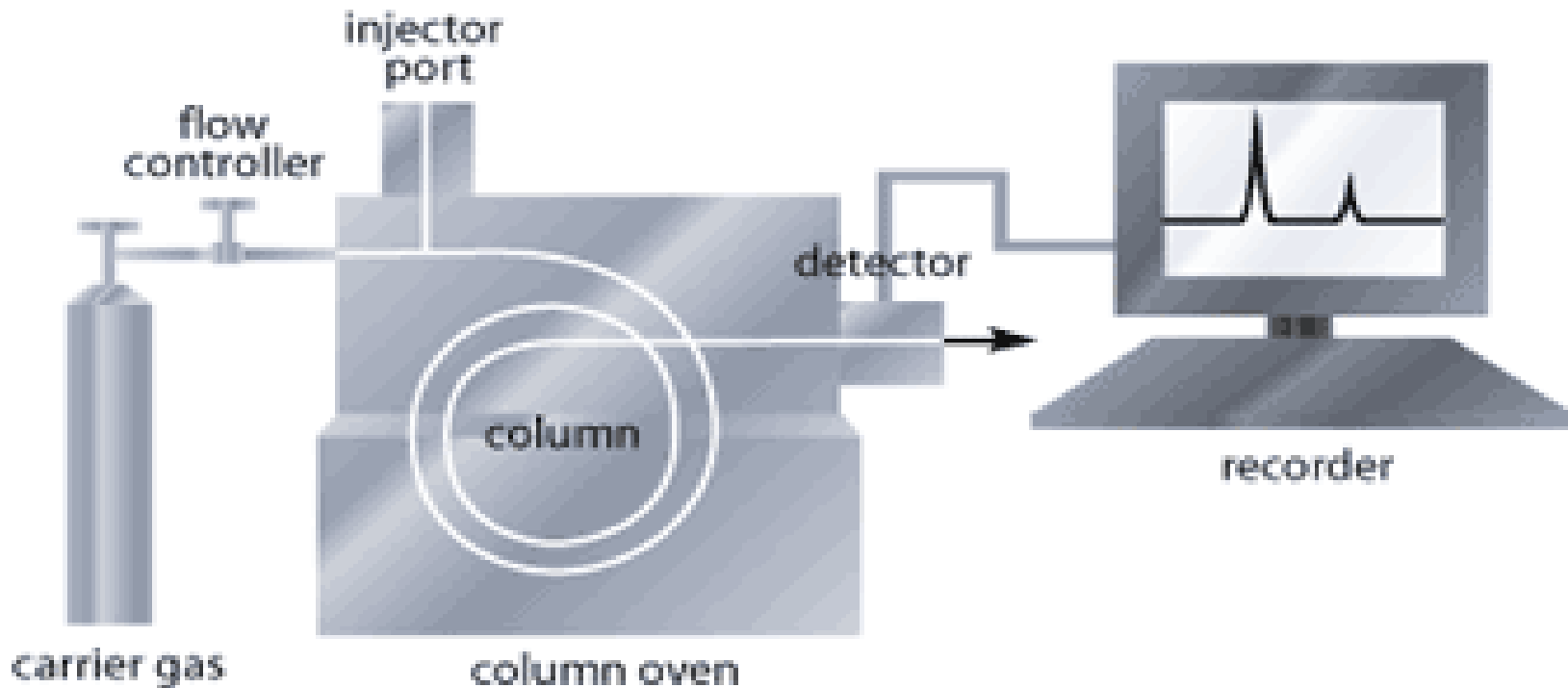
Agricultural chemicals such as herbicides and pesticides are extracted from the water using LLE method. Metals and mixture of organic compounds remains in the agricultural waste are separated through the solvent extraction process [9].



### **Food industry applications**

LLE process is commonly used in food industries. As for example, separation and purification of a particular flavor or fragrance as well as caffeine extraction are done by this process [12].

# Gas Chromatography



# What is Gas Chromatography?

- It is also known as...  
Gas-Liquid Chromatography  
(GLC)



# GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY

□ Separation of gaseous & volatile substances

□ Simple & efficient in regard to separation

**GC consists of:**

**GSC** (gas solid chromatography)

**GLC** (gas liquid chromatography)

**GSC** principle is **ADSORPTION**

**GLC** principle is **PARTITION**



Sample to be separated is converted into vapour

And mixed with gaseous M.P

Component more soluble in the S.P → travels slower

Component less soluble in the S.P → travels faster

Components are separated according to their **Partition Co-efficient**

Criteria for compounds to be analyzed by G.C

**1.VOLATILITY:**

**2.THERMOSTABILITY:**



## How a Gas Chromatography Machine

!Works!

- **First**, a vaporized sample is injected onto the *chromatographic column*.
- **Second**, the sample moves through the column through the flow of inert gas.
- **Third**, the components are recorded as a sequence of peaks as they leave the column.



## Chromatographic Separation

– Deals with both the *stationary*  
the *mobile phase. phase* and

- Mobile – inert gas used as carrier.
- Stationary – liquid coated on a solid  
within a column. or a solid



# Chromatographic Separation

## Chromatographic Separation

– In the mobile phase, components of the sample are uniquely drawn to the stationary phase and thus, enter this phase at different times

–

The parts of the sample are separated within the column.

Compounds used at the stationary phase reach the detector at unique times and produce a series of peaks along a time sequence.





The peaks can then be read and analyzed by a forensic scientist to determine the exact components of the mixture.

– Retention time is determined by each component reaching the detector at a characteristic time.



# Chromatographic Analysis

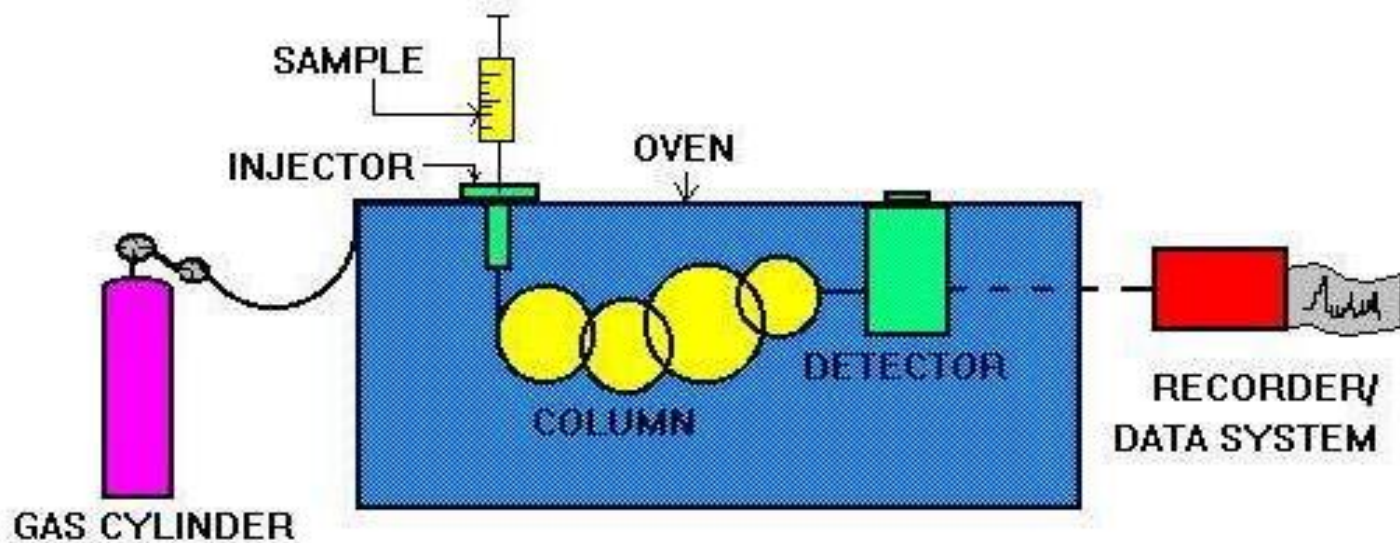
The number of components in a sample is determined by the number of peaks.

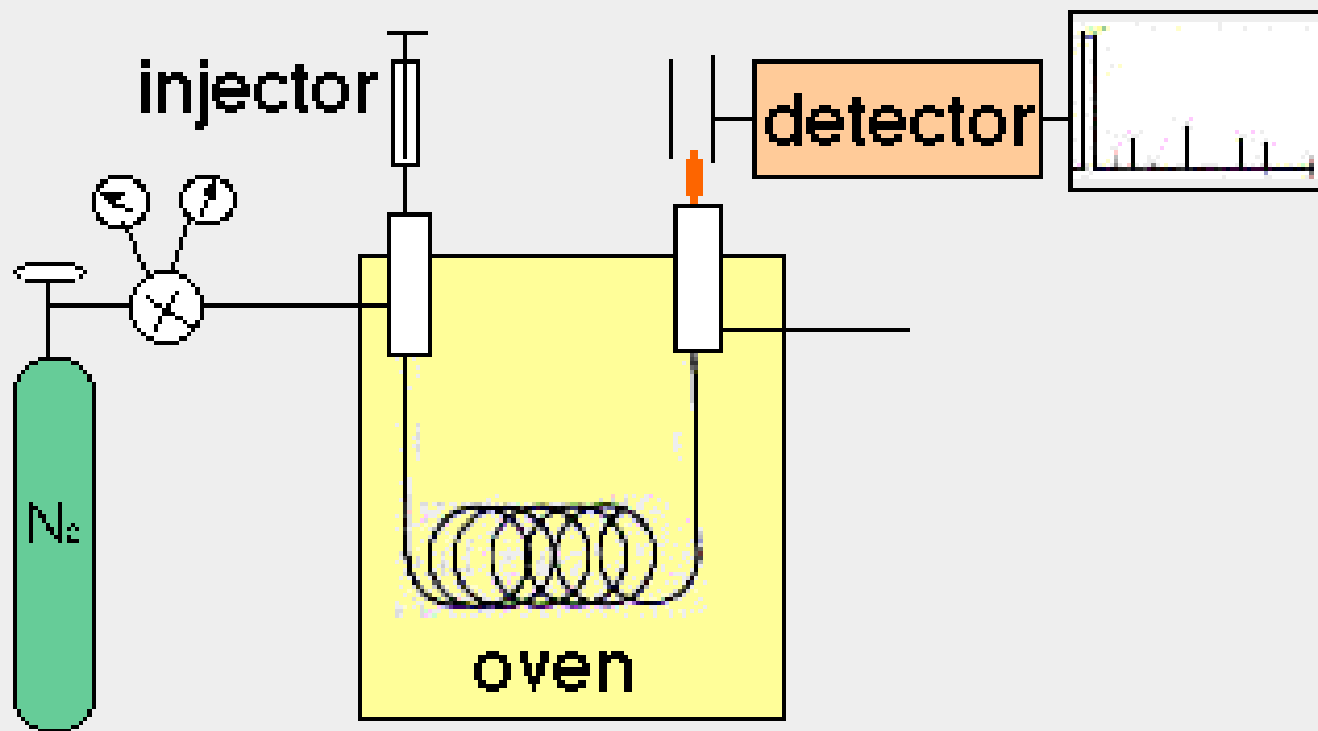
– The amount of a given component in a sample is determined by the area under the peaks.

– The identity of components can be determined by the given retention times.



# GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY







# PRACTICAL REQUIREMENTS

## Carrier gas

- Flow regulators & Flow meters
- Injection devices
- Columns
- Temperature control devices
- Detectors
- Recorders & Integrators



# Requirements of a carrier gas

- Inertness
- Suitable for the detector
- High purity
- Easily available
- Cheap
- Should not cause the risk of fire
- Should give best column performance



# How to select a Carrier gas

<b>Depending on</b>	<b>priority</b>
Availability •	first •
Purity •	Second •
Coast •	Third •
Type of Detector •	Fourth •
consumption •	Fifth •





# Required Gases Purities

**Helium** For carrier gas: 99.995% high purity, with less than 1.0 ppm each of

- water, oxygen, and total hydrocarbons after purification.
- Use water, oxygen, and hydrocarbon traps.

**Hydrogen** For carrier or detector fuel gas: 99.995% high purity, with <

- 1.0 ppm of total hydrocarbons after purification.
- Use water, oxygen and hydrocarbon traps.



# Required Gases Purities

**Air** For detector fuel gas: 99.995% high purity. •

- Air compressors are not acceptable because they do not
- meet pressure, water, and hydrocarbon requirements.

**Nitrogen** For carrier or make-up gas: 99.995% high purity, with less than 1.0 •

- ppm of total hydrocarbons after purification.

**Argon** 5% Methane For ECD make-up gas: •  
99.995% high purity.



# Carrier Gas Control

- The Flow mode has four options for the carrier •  
gas control: •
- Constant flow •
  - Constant pressure •
  - Programmed flow •
  - Programmed pressure •



# Flow regulators & Flow meters

X  deliver the gas with uniform pressure/flow rate

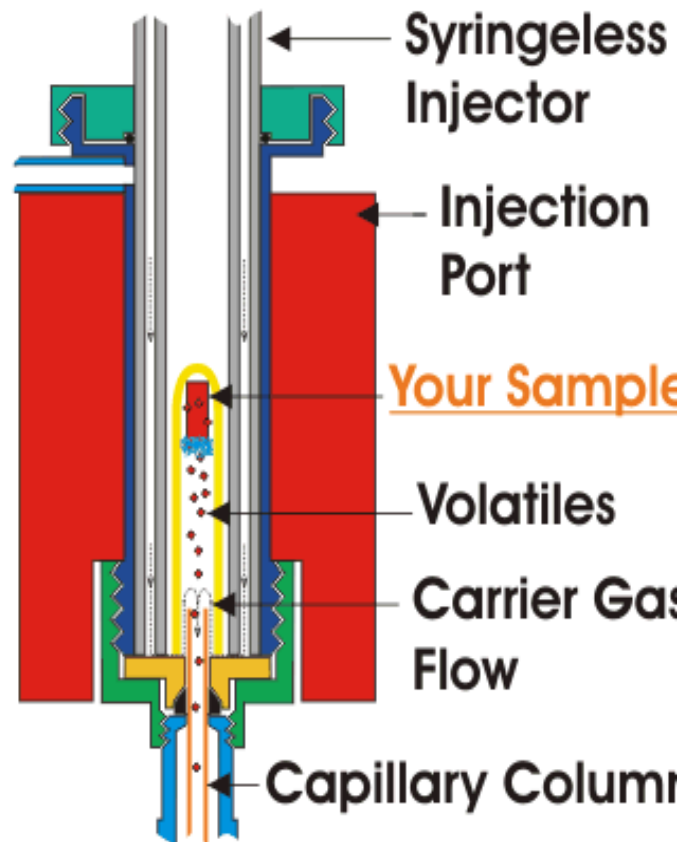
X  **flow meters:- Rota meter & Soap bubble flow meter**



## *Injection Devices*

Gases can be introduced into the column by valve devices

□ liquids can be injected through loop or septum devices



# COLUMNS

- Important part of GC
- Made up of glass or stainless steel
- Glass column- inert , highly fragile

## COLUMNS can be classified

### □ Depending on its use

1. Analytical column  
1-1.5 meters length & 3-6 mm d.m
2. Preparative column  
3-6 meters length, 6-9mm d.m



# Depending on its nature

1. **Packed column:** columns are available in a packed manner

**S.P for GLC:** polyethylene glycol, esters, amides, hydrocarbons, polysiloxanes...

2. **Open tubular or Capillary column or Golay column**

- Long capillary tubing 30-90 M in length
- Uniform & narrow d.m of 0.025 - 0.075 cm
- Made up of stainless steel & form of a coil
- Disadvantage: more sample cannot loaded**



## 2. Column

**The column •**

- **Is where the chromatographic separation of the sample occurs. •**
- Several types of columns are available for different chromatographic applications: •
- The heart of the system. •
- It is coated with a stationary phase which greatly influences the separation of the compounds. •





# Factors Affecting Column Separations

- **Volatility of compound:** Low boiling (volatile) components will travel faster through the column than will high boiling components •
- **Polarity of compounds:** Polar compounds will move more slowly, especially if the column is polar. •
- **Column temperature:** Raising the column temperature speeds up All the compounds in a mixture, “Columns have lower and upper temperature limits”. •



# Factors Affecting Column Separations

**Column packing polarity:** Usually, all compounds will move slower on polar columns, but polar compounds will show a larger effect.

• **Flow rate of the gas through the column:** Speeding up the carrier gas flow increases the speed with which all compounds move through the column.

• **Length of the column:** The longer the column, the longer it will take all compounds to elute.

Longer columns are employed to obtain better separation.



# GLC

## Carrier gas

- Flow regulators & Flow meters
- Injection devices
- Columns
- Temperature control devices

## • Detectors

## • Recorders & Integrators

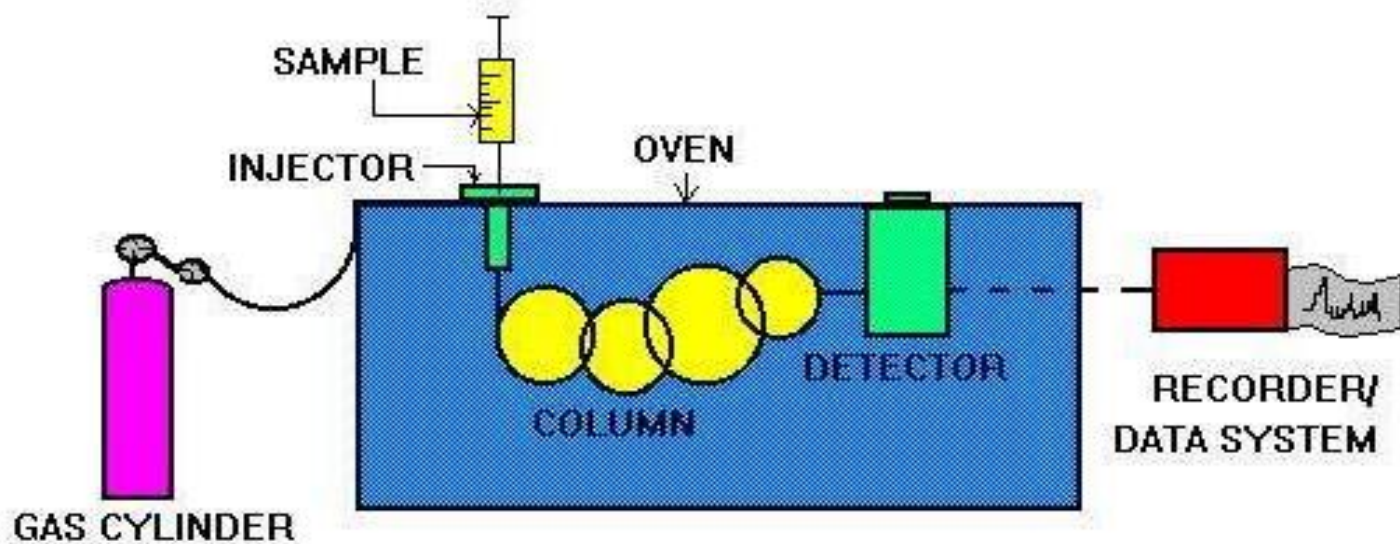


# GC Part (2)

Gas Liquid Chromatography



# GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY



# GC

## Carrier gas

- Flow regulators & Flow meters
  - Injection devices
  - Columns
  - Temperature control devices
- 
- Detectors
  - Recorders & Integrators



# Detector

- ▶ **The part of a gas chromatograph**
- ▶ **which signals the change in**
- ▶ **composition of the mixture**
- ▶ **passing**
- ▶ **through it.**



# Detector types

- ▶ 1. Electron Capture Detector.
- ▶ 2. Flame ionization Detector.
- ▶ 3. Nitrogen Phosphors Detector.
- ▶ 4. Thermal Conductivity Detector.





# Detector types

- ▶ 5. Flame Photometric Detector.
- ▶ 6. Photo ionization Detector.
- ▶ 7. Electrolytic Conductivity Detector.
- ▶ 8. Mass Spectrometric Detector.



# 1. Electron Capture Detector (ECD)

- ▶ **Mechanism:**
- ▶ • Electrons are supplied from a  $^{63}\text{Ni}$  foil lining the detector cell. A current is generated in the cell
- ▶ .Electronegative compounds capture electrons resulting in a reduction in the current.
- ▶ The amount of current loss is indirectly measured and a signal is generated.



# ECD

- ▶ • **Selectivity:** Halogens, nitrates, conjugated carbonyls
- ▶ • **Sensitivity:** 0.1-10 pg (halogenated compounds);
- ▶ 1-100 pg (nitrates); 0.1-1 ng (carbonyls)
- ▶ Linear range: 1000-10000
- ▶ Gases: Nitrogen or argon/methane
- ▶ Temperature: 300-400°C



## 2. Flame ionization Detector (FID)

- ▶ **Mechanism:**
- ▶ • Compounds are burned in a hydrogen-air flame.
- ▶ • Carbon containing compounds produce ions that are attracted to the collector.
- ▶ • The No. of ions hitting the collector is measured and a signal is generated.



# FID

- ▶ **Selectivity:** Compounds with C-H bonds.
- ▶ • **Sensitivity:** 0.1-10 ng
  
- ▶ **Gases:** Combustion hydrogen and air;  
Makeup He or N<sub>2</sub>
  
- ▶ **Temperature:** 250-300 °C, and 400-450 °C  
for high temp.



# 3. Nitrogen Phosphorus Detector (NPD)

- ▶ **Mechanism:**
- ▶ • Compounds are burned • Nitrogen and phosphorous containing compounds
- ▶ produce ions that are attracted to the collector.
- ▶ • The number of ions hitting the collector is measured and a signal is generated.



# NPD

- ▶ **Selectivity:** Nitrogen and phosphorous
- ▶ • **Sensitivity:** 1-10 pg
- ▶ **Gases:** Combustion - hydrogen and air; Makeup - Helium
- ▶ **Temperature:** 250-300° C



# 4. Thermal Conductivity Detector (TCD)

- ▶ **Mechanism:**
- ▶ • A detector cell contains a heated filament with an applied current.
- ▶ As carrier gas containing solutes passes through the cell, a change in the filament current occurs.
- ▶ • The current change is compared against the current in a reference cell.
- ▶ • The difference is measured and a signal is generated.





works by having two parallel tubes both containing gas and heating coils. The gases are examined by comparing the heat loss rate from the heating coils into the gas. Normally one tube holds a reference gas and the sample to be tested is passed through the other. Using this principle, a TCD senses the changes in the thermal conductivity of the column effluent and compares it to a reference flow of carrier gas. Most compounds have a thermal conductivity much less than that of the common carrier gases of hydrogen or helium.



# TCD

- ▶ • **Selectivity:** All compounds except for the carrier gas
- ▶ • **Sensitivity:** 5-20 ng
- ▶ Linear range:  $10^5$  -  $10^6$
- ▶ Gases: Makeup - same as the carrier gas
- ▶ Temperature: 150-250°C



# 5. Flame Photometric Detector (FPD)

- ▶ **Mechanism:**
- ▶ • Compounds are burned in a hydrogen-air flame.
- ▶ Sulfur and phosphorous containing compounds produce light emitting species (sulfur at 394 nm and phosphorous at 526 nm). A
- ▶ monochromatic filter allows only one of the wavelengths to pass. A photomultiplier tube is used to measure the amount of light and a signal is generated.
- ▶ A different filter is required for each detection mode.



# FPD

- ▶ **Selectivity:** Sulfur or phosphorous containing compounds.
- ▶ • **Sensitivity:** 10-100 pg (sulfur); 1-10 pg (phosphorous)
- ▶ **Linear range:** Non-linear (sulfur);  $10^3$  -  $10^5$  (phosphorous)
- ▶ **Gases:** Combustion - hydrogen and air; Makeup - nitrogen
- ▶ **Temperature:** 250-300° C



## 6. Photo ionization Detector (PID)

- ▶ **Mechanism:**
- ▶ • Compounds eluting into a cell are bombarded with high energy photons emitted from a lamp.
- ▶ Compounds with ionization potentials below the photon energy are ionized.
- ▶ The resulting ions are attracted to an electrode, measured, and a signal is generated.



# PID

- ▶ • **Selectivity:** Depends on lamp energy. Usually used for aromatics and olefins (10 eV lamp).
- ▶ • **Sensitivity:** 25-50 pg (aromatics); 50-200 pg (olefins)
- ▶ Linear range:  $10^5$  -  $10^6$
- ▶ Gases: Makeup - same as the carrier gas
- ▶ Temperature: 200°C



# 7. Electrolytic Conductivity Detector (*ELCD*)

- ▶ **Mechanism:**
- ▶ • Compounds are mixed with a reaction gas and passed through a high temperature reaction tube.
- ▶ Specific reaction products are created which mix with a solvent and pass through an electrolytic
- ▶ conductivity cell. The change in the electrolytic conductivity of the solvent is measured and a
- ▶ signal is generated. Reaction tube temperature and solvent determine which types of compounds are detected.



# ELCD

- ▶ **Selectivity:** Halogens, sulfur or nitrogen containing compounds.
- ▶ • **Sensitivity:** 5-10 pg (halogens); 10-20 pg (S); 10-20 pg (N)
- ▶ Linear range:  $10^5$  -  $10^6$  (halogens);  $10^4$  -  $10^5$  (N);  $10^{3.5}$  -  $10^4$  (S)
- ▶ Gases: Hydrogen (halogens and nitrogen); air (sulfur)
- ▶ Temperature: 800-1000 °C (halogens), 850-925 °C (N), 750-825 °C (S)





## 8. Mass Detector (MS)

- ▶ **Mechanism:**
- ▶ • Compounds are bombarded with electrons (EI) or gas molecules (CI). then fragmented into characteristic
- ▶ charged ions or fragments. The resulting ions are focused and accelerated into a mass filter.
- ▶ mass filter selectively allows all ions of a specific mass to pass through to the electron multiplier. All of the ions of the
- ▶ specific mass are detected. The mass filter then allows the next mass to pass



# Good Detector

- ▶ 1. High sensitivity.
- ▶ 2. Rapidly respond to concentration changes.
- ▶ 3. Large linear range.
- ▶ 4. Stable with respect to noise and drift.
- ▶ 5. Low sensitivity to variation in flow,.
- ▶ 6. Possible selectivity.
- ▶ 8. Produces an easily handled signal.
- ▶ 9. A temperature range from room temperature to at least 400 C





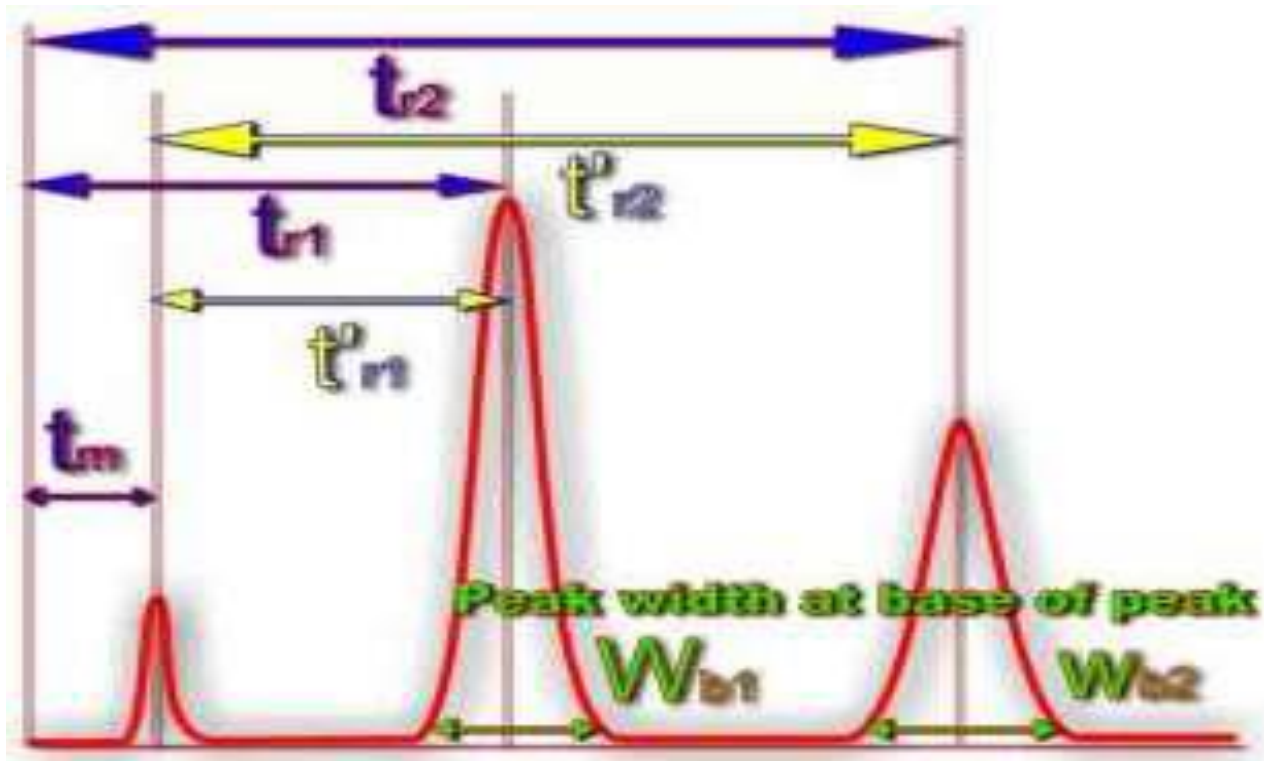
# Chromatogram

**\*The data recorder** plots the signal from the detector over time.

- **The retention time**, is qualitatively indicative of the type of compound.

- **The area under the peaks** or the height of the peak is indicative of the amount of each component



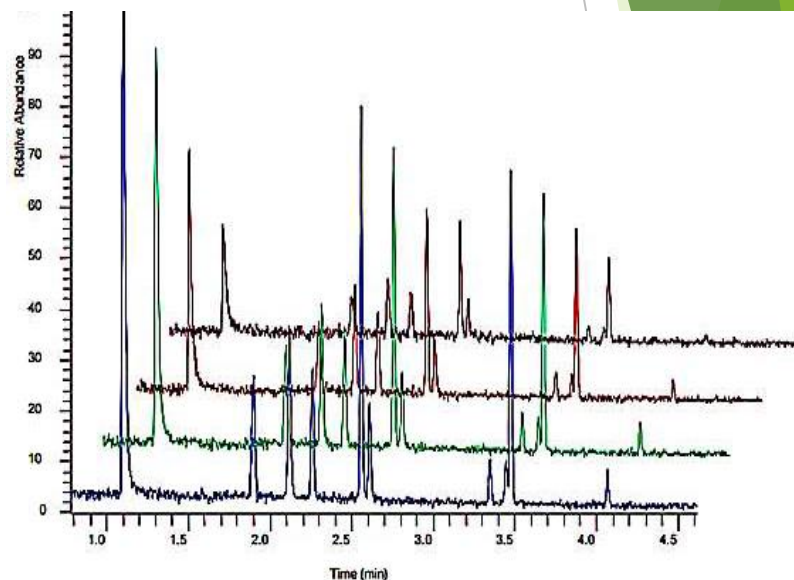


# Retention Time (RT)

## RT

- ▶ RT, is the time it takes for a compound to travel
- ▶ from the injection port to the detector.
- ▶ • Thousands of chemicals may have the same
- ▶ retention time, peak shape, and detector
- ▶ response.
- ▶ • For example, under certain conditions, DDT has
- ▶ the same retention time as PCBs
- ▶ (polychlorinated biphenyls).

## Chromatogram



# Applications

- ▶ the environmental
  - ▶ • Testing or commercial laboratories
  - ▶ • Industrial laboratories
  - ▶ • Government laboratories
  - ▶ • Research institutes
- ▶ **Petrochemical and Gas**
  - ▶ • Refinery
  - ▶ • Oil Industry
  - ▶ • Gas suppliers



# applications

- ▶ **Clean water analysis**
- ▶ **Pollutants in water**
  - ▶ • Halocarbons
  - ▶ • Acid priority pollutants: phenols, chlorophenols, nitrophenols
  - ▶ • Pesticides
- ▶ **Other fields such as:**
  - ▶ pharmaceutical
  - ▶ foods

