

## Experiment 4D

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### STOICHIOMETRY DETERMINATION FOR THE REACTION OF HYDROGEN PEROXIDE AND POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE

**MATERIALS:** 250 mL volumetric flask with stopper, 50 mL buret, buret funnel, 250 mL Erlenmeyer flask, 100 mL graduated cylinder, 50 mL graduated cylinder, 100 mL beaker, 25.00 mL pipet, weighing dish, 1.0 M  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ , 0.01 M  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ,  $\text{NaBO}_3 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this experiment is two-fold: (1) to accurately prepare a 250.0 mL solution of 0.0300M hydrogen peroxide; (2) to use the hydrogen peroxide solution to titrate a solution of potassium permanganate of known molarity, to determine the stoichiometry of the reaction.

**LEARNING OBJECTIVE:** By the end of this experiment, the midshipman should be able to demonstrate the following proficiencies:

1. Use pipets and burets correctly.
2. Accurately make up a solution of known molarity.
3. Perform a titration accurately and precisely.
4. Calculate the molarity of a solution.
5. Determine the stoichiometry for a reaction.

#### DISCUSSION:

There are two possible ways to balance the following reaction equation:



The stoichiometry can be determined by titrating a known amount of hydrogen peroxide with a solution of potassium permanganate of known molarity.

Hydrogen peroxide solutions are so unstable that they decompose quickly. Therefore, a hydrogen peroxide solution has to be prepared at the time it is to be used, by reacting sodium perborate tetrahydrate,  $\text{NaBO}_3 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , with water:



## PROCEDURE:

### Part A. Preparation of the Hydrogen Peroxide Solution

1. Use the top-loading balance to pre-weigh between 1.13 and 1.17 grams of  $\text{NaBO}_3 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  into a weighing dish.
2. Use the analytical balance to obtain the mass of the weighing dish and the  $\text{NaBO}_3 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  sample. *Quantitatively transfer* the  $\text{NaBO}_3 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  to a clean 250.0 mL volumetric flask. (A qualitative transfer is a complete transfer of the sample between containers with no spills.) Obtain the mass of the empty weighing dish.
3. To the volumetric flask with  $\text{NaBO}_3 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , add about 100 mL of distilled water and 50 mL of 1.0 M  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ . Insert a stopper and mix well by inverting the flask several times until the  $\text{NaBO}_3 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is completely dissolved. Add distilled water to the mark.

### Part B. Titration of Hydrogen Peroxide with Potassium Permanganate

1. Pipet 25.00 mL of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  solution into a 250-mL Erlenmeyer flask. Add about 20 mL of 1.0 M  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ . Swirl to mix well.
2. Put 50 mL of  $\text{KMnO}_4$  in a 100 mL beaker. Record its molarity. Pour the  $\text{KMnO}_4$  solution from the beaker, through a funnel into the buret.
3. Titrate the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  solution with  $\text{KMnO}_4$  until a very pale (purple) pink color appears and remains for at least 20 seconds.
4. Repeat this process. If two titrations are not within  $\pm 0.50$  mL of each other, repeat this process again.

### Clean up:

1. Dispose of solution obtained from titration, any unused hydrogen peroxide solution, any unused potassium permanganate solution, in the appropriately labeled waste containers under the instructor's hood.
2. Wash all glassware. Invert the buret and mount it in the buret clamp on the ring stand, with the stopcock open to allow it to drain. Leave the other washed glassware upright.

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**DATA SECTION**  
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INCLUDE THE APPROPRIATE SIGNIFICANT FIGURES.

**Part A. Preparation of the Hydrogen Peroxide Solution**

Mass of weighing dish + NaBO <sub>3</sub> ·4H <sub>2</sub> O (g)	
Mass of weighing dish (g)	
Mass of NaBO <sub>3</sub> ·4H <sub>2</sub> O (g)	
Volume of H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> prepared (mL)	250.0

**Part B. Titration of Hydrogen Peroxide with Potassium Permanganate**

	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3
Volume of H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> titrated (mL)	25.00	25.00	25.00
Molarity of KMnO <sub>4</sub> on bottle (M)			
Initial buret reading of KMnO <sub>4</sub> (mL)			
Final buret reading of KMnO <sub>4</sub> (mL)			
Volume of KMnO <sub>4</sub> used (mL)			

Need 2 good titrations within +/- 0.50 mL

**DATA TREATMENT**  
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**Part A. Preparation of the Hydrogen Peroxide Solution**

(A.1) Calculate the concentration (M, molarity) of the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  solution:

**Part B. Titration of Hydrogen Peroxide with Potassium Permanganate**

(B.1) Calculate the moles of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  in 25.00 mL:

(B.2) Calculate the moles of potassium permanganate,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ , for:

Sample 1:

Sample 2:

Sample 3:

(B.3) Calculate the mole ratio of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  to  $\text{KMnO}_4$  for each sample, and then obtain the average value:

Sample 1:

Sample 2:

Sample 3:

AVERAGE:

**QUESTIONS**  
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1. Determine the stoichiometric coefficients from the mole ratio of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  to  $\text{KMnO}_4$  for the reaction equation, and fill in the missing stoichiometric coefficients.



2. How does obtaining a dark pink endpoint (instead of a pale pink endpoint) in the titration, affect the calculated mole ratio of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  to  $\text{KMnO}_4$  compared to the actual value (what it should be)? Explain.
3. If an air bubble was unknowingly trapped in the buret tip at the beginning of the titration (but not at the end), how is the calculated mole ratio of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  to  $\text{KMnO}_4$  affected compared to the actual value (what it should be due to less to  $\text{KMnO}_4$ )? Explain.

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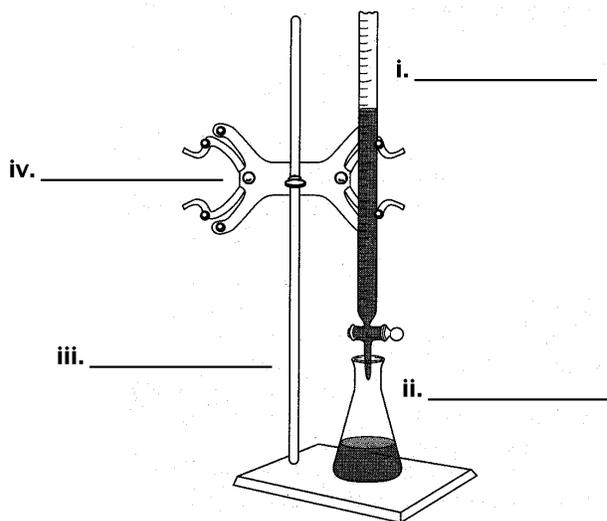
**PRE-LAB EXERCISES**  
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1. Correctly complete the following safety precautions when handling the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  solution and the  $\text{KMnO}_4$  solution in the laboratory?

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| a. _____ solution bleaches.                | i. should                  |
| b. _____ solution stains.                  | ii. $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ |
| c. Apron and goggles _____ be worn.        | iii. $\text{KMnO}_4$       |
| d. Spills _____ be cleaned up immediately. | iv. shall                  |

2. The apparatus for your titration is shown in the illustration.



- Identify each piece of equipment.
- Based on the information in the Experiment Procedures, which solution(s) will you put in the glassware labeled **i**?
- Based on the information in the Experiment Procedures, which solution(s) will you put in the glassware labeled **ii**?

3. Calculate the mass of  $\text{NaBO}_3 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  needed to make 250.0 mL of a 0.0300 M  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  solution. (Use three significant figures.)