## Gravimetric Methods of Analysis

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## **Gravimetric Calcualations**

Calculate the grams of anlyte per gram of precipitate for the following:

Analyte	Precipitate
Κ	Ag <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>
K <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub>	Ag <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>
$Bi_2S_3$	BaSO <sub>4</sub>

## **The Gravimeteric Factor**

- Don't let this term bug you it is something you already know just never defined before.
- It is just a convenience equation of analytical chemists

$$\mathsf{GF} = \frac{\mathsf{f} \text{ mass analyte}}{\mathsf{f} \text{ mass precipitate}} \times \frac{\mathsf{mol analyte}}{\mathsf{mol precipitate}} = \frac{\mathsf{g} \text{ analyte}}{\mathsf{g} \text{ precipitate}}$$

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### **Gravimetric Calculations**

• Most of the time we are interested in the % analyte in an unknown sample.



# **Gravimetric Calculation**

A 0.4500 g sample of impure potassium chloride was dissolved in water and treated with an excess of silver nitrate. A 0.8402 g of silver chloride was massed after digesting, collecting, washing and drying the precipitate. Calculate the percentage KCl in the original sample. (9712)

# **Gravimetric Calculation**

The calcium in a 200.0-mL sample of a natural water was determined by precipitating the cation as  $CaC_2O_4$ . The precipitate was filtered, washed and ignited in a crucible with an empty mass of 26.6002 g. The mass of the crucible plus CaO (molar mass = 56.077g/mol) was 26.7134 g. Calculate the concentration of Ca (molar mass = 40.078 g/ mol) in the water in units of grams per 100 mL.



calcium oxalate

# Worked Example

- A 0.7406 g sample of impure MgCO<sub>3</sub> was decomposed with HCl, releasing 0.1881 g of carbon dioxide. Calculate the % Mg in the original sample. Remember that CO<sub>3</sub>
- How much CaO (in grams) can be produced from 1.500 g of calcium carbonate?

## **Gravimetric Calcuation**

An iron ore was analyzed by dissolving a 1.1324-g sample in concentrated HCl. The resulting solution was diluted with water, and the iron(III) was precipitated as the hydrous oxide  $Fe_2O_3 \cdot xH_2O$ by the addition of NH<sub>3</sub>. After filtration and washing, the residue was ignited at a high temperature to give 0.5394 g of pure  $Fe_2O_3$ (molar mass =159.69 g/mol). Calculate (a) the %Fe (molar mass = 55.847 g/mol) and (b) the % Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (231.54 g/mol) in the sample.

### Worked Example

A 0.2356 g sample containing only NaCl (fwt 58.44 g/mol) and BaCl<sub>2</sub> (fwt 208.23 g/mol) yielded 0.4637 g of dried AgCl (fwt 143.32 g/mol). Calculate the percent of each halogen compound in the sample.

## Worked Example

A certain barium halide exists as the hydrated salt  $BaX_2.2H_2O$ , where X is an unknown halogen. A sample of the halide hydrate (0.2650 g) was dissolved in water in 200 cm<sup>3</sup> and excess sulfuric acid added. The mixture was then digested and held at boiling for 45 minutes. The precipitate was filtered off, washed and dried. The mass of precipitate obtained = 0.2533 g. Determine the identity of X.