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# SODA PULP INDUSTRY

# Determination of sodium chloride in sodium hypochlorite

## 1. Abstract

Sodium hypochlorite is produced by having sodium hydroxide absorb chlorine gas. Produced sodium hypochlorite contains residual alkali (sodium hydroxide, sodium carbonate) and sodium chloride generated by the degradation of hypochlorous acid. The residual alkali is determined by neutralization titration, and sodium chloride is determined by precipitation titration. This report introduces an example of the determination for sodium chloride in the sodium hypochlorite with potentiometric titration as the following procedure: the titration for the total chlorine component (sodium hypochlorite + sodium chloride) is performed first. After that, sodium hypochlorite (available chlorine) is titrated by another method. Finally, sodium chloride is determined by the subtraction of sodium hypochlorite from the total chloride component.

The total sodium chloride (total chloride component) is determined according to the following formula (1) and (2): add hydrogen peroxide into a sample to degrade sodium hypochlorite, and generate sodium chloride as described in formula (1). Titrate with nitric acid standard solution until the pH goes down to  $2 \sim 3$ . After the solution is acidified, determine the total sodium chloride with silver nitrate standard solution by precipitation titration as formula (2).

NaClO	+	$H_2O_2$	$\rightarrow$	NaCl	+	H <sub>2</sub> O	+	<b>O</b> <sub>2</sub>	•••••	(1)
NaCl	+	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	$\rightarrow$	AgCl	+	NaNO	3	•••••	••••	(2)

Regarding the determination of available chlorine, free iodine generated by the addition of potassium iodide as described in formula (3) is determined with sodium thiosulfate standard solution by redox titration as shown in formula (4).

NaClO +	$2 \text{ KI} + \text{H}_2\text{O} -$	$\rightarrow$ I <sub>2</sub> +	NaCl + 2KOH	(3)
I <sub>2</sub> +	$2 \text{ Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3 \rightarrow$	2NaI	+ Na <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	(4)

## 2. Configuration of instruments and reagents

#### (1) Configuration

Main unit :	Hiranuma Automatic Titrator COM series							
Option :	One buret, one buret head	One buret, one buret head						
Electrodes :	es : <for chloride="" sodium="" total=""></for>							
	Glass electrode GE-101B							
	Silver combination electrode	AGR-811Z (Double junction type)						
	<for available="" chlorine=""></for>							
Platinum electrode PT-301								
	Reference electrode RE-201Z							



(2) Reagents

<For total sodium chloride>

Titrant	: 0.2 mol/L Silver nitrate standard solution,
	0.1 mol/L Nitric acid standard solution
Additive	: 3 % Hydrogen peroxide solution
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Titrant	: 0.2 mol/L Sodium thiosulfate standard solution
Additive	: 10 % Potassium iodide solution
	2 mol/L Acetic acid solution

## **3.** Measurement procedure

- (1) Measurement for total sodium chloride
  - (i) Dispense 0.5 mL of sample into a 100 mL beaker with micropipette.
  - (ii) Add 50 mL of DI water.
  - (iii) Add 5 mL of 3 % hydrogen peroxide solution and degrade sodium hypochlorite.
  - (iv) Immerse the electrodes (GE-101B/AGR-811Z) into sample solution.
    - Titrate with 0.1 mol/L nitric acid standard solution and adjust the pH to  $2 \sim 3$ .
  - (v) Titrate with 0.2 mol/L silver nitrate standard solution.
- (2) Measurement for available chlorine
  - (i) Dispense 0.5 mL of sample into a 100 mL beaker with micropipette.
  - (ii) Add 50 mL of DI water.
  - (iii) Add 1 mL of 10 % potassium iodide solution.
  - (iv) Add 10 mL of 2 mol/L acetic acid solution.
  - $(v) \ Immerse \ electrodes \ (PT-301/RE-201Z) \ and \ titrate \ with \ 0.2 \ mol/L \ sodium \ thiosulfate \ standard \ solution.$

# 4. Measurement conditions and results

## Examples of titration conditions

(1) Measurement for total sodium chloride

(i)Titration with 0.1 mol/L nitric acid standard solution

Cndt No.	1							
Method	Set		ConstantNo.	1		Mode No.	4	
Buret No.	1		Size	0.5	mL	Pre Int	0	sec
Amp No.	1		Blank	0	mL	Del K	9	
D. Unit	pН		Molarity	0.1	mol/L	Del Sens	0	mV
S-Timer	5	sec	Factor	1.004		Int Time	3	sec
C.P. mL	0	mL	К	0.00		Int Sens	3	mV
Direction	$\downarrow$		L	0.000		Brt Speed	2	
T Timer	0	sec				Pulse	40	
D.P. mL	0	mL	Unit	mL				
End Point	3.0	pН	Formula	D				
Over mL	0.0	mL	Decimal Places	3				
Max.Vol.	20	mL	Auto In Pram.		Non			



Cndt No.	2							
Method	Auto		ConstantNo.	2		Mode No.	8	
Buret No.	2		Size	0.5	mL	Pre Int	0	sec
Amp No.	2		Blank	0	mL	Del K	5	
D. Unit	mV		Molarity	0.2	mol/L	Del Sens	0	mV
S-Timer	5	sec	Factor	1.000		Int Time	5	sec
C.P. mL	0	mL	К	58.44		Int Sens	3	mV
T Timer	0	sec	L	0.000		Brt Speed	2	
D.P. mL	0	mL				Pulse	40	
End Sens	100		Unit	%				
Over mL	0.2	mL	Formula	(D-B)*K*F*	*M/(S*10)			
Max.Vol.	20	mL	Decimal Places	4				
			Auto In Pram.		Non			

(ii) Titration with 0.2 mol/L silver nitrate standard solution

(2) Measurement for available chlorine (Calculation of sodium chloride concentration)

Cndt No.	3							
Method	Auto		ConstantNo.	3		Mode No.	5	
Buret No.	1		Size	0.5	mL	Pre Int	0	sec
Amp No.	2		Blank	0	mL	Del K	5	
D. Unit	mV		Molarity	0.2	mol/L	Del Sens	0	mV
S-Timer	5	sec	Factor	1.002		Int Time	3	sec
C.P. mL	0	mL	К	35.45		Int Sens	3	mV
T Timer	0	sec	L	0.000		Brt Speed	2	
D.P. mL	0	mL				Pulse	40	
End Sens	200		Unit	%				
Over mL	0.3	mL	Formula	(D-B)*K*F*	*M/(S*10)			
Max.Vol.	20	mL	Decimal Places	4				
			Auto In Pram.		Non			

(i)Titration with 0.2 mol/L sodium thiosulfate standard solution

(ii) Calculation of sodium chloride con
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Cndt No.	4			
Method	Calc	ConstantNo.	4	
		Size	0.5	mL
		Blank	0	mL
		Molarity	0.2	mol/L
		Factor	0	
		Κ	14.80	Ж1
		L	0.8243	₩2
		Unit	%	
		Formula	K-CA*L	
		Decimal Places	4	
		Auto In Pram.		Non

%1 Input the result of total sodium chloride.

2 Conversion coefficient from available chlorine to sodium chloride (58.44(NaCl)/70.9(Cl<sub>2</sub>))



## Measurement results

#### (1) Results of total sodium chloride

Number of	Size	Titrant	Total sodium chloride
Measurement	(mL)	Volume (mL)	Concentration (%)
1	0.5	6.329	14.795
2	0.5	6.324	14.783
3	0.5	6.339	14.818
~		Avg.	14.80 %
Statistic calculation		SD	0.02 %
	RSD		0.12 %

(2) Results of available chlorine (Calculated results of sodium chloride concentration)

Number of	Size	Titrant	Available chlorine	Sodium chloride
Measurement	(mL)	Volume (mL)	Concentration (%)	Concentration (%)
1	0.5	10.174	14.456	2.884
2	0.5	10.223	14.525	2.827
3	0.5	10.276	14.601	2.765
~	A	Average	14.52 %	2.83 %
Statistic calculation	Standa	ard deviation	0.07 %	0.06 %
	Coefficie	ent of variation	0.50 %	2.11 %



Measurement for total sodium chloride

Measurement for available chlorine

Examples of titration curves



## 5. Note

1) Measurement for total sodium chloride

Residual sodium hypochlorite could cause measurement error. Addition of excess hydrogen peroxide is required to degrade sodium hypochlorite completely.

2) Measurement for available chlorine

The following tips can improve measurement accuracy.

- i) Weigh a sample size quickly because available chlorine is unstable.
- ii) Titrate free iodine immediately because the iodine generated by addition of potassium iodide is easy to volatilize. Addition of plenty potassium iodide is required because the volatilization of iodine depends on the concentration of added potassium iodide.

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