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## Preparation of solution from the solid reagents

> First, the solute is accurately weighed and transferred to a volumetric flask through a funnel.
$>$ Next, water is added to the flask, which is carefully swirled to dissolve the solid.
$>$ After all the solid has dissolved, more water is added slowly to bring the level of solution exactly to the volume mark.


## EXPERIMENT 1 Prepare 50 mL of 0.1 M NaOH from the solid reagent.

## PROCEDURE

$>$ Determine the number of grams of solute to be dissolved and diluted to 50 mL .
$>$ Weigh a $50-\mathrm{mL}$ beaker on an electronic balance.
$>$ Depress the tare button to set the balance to zero. Then add NaOH until the balance reads about g.
$>$ Dissolve the sodium hydroxide in the beaker using about 20 mL of distilled water. Stir gently to avoid loss.
$>$ Quantitatively transfer the solution to a $50-\mathrm{mL}$ volumetric flask fitted with a small funnel. Add more water to the beaker, stir, and repeat the procedure. Rinse the funnel and remove it.
$>$ Dilute the solution in the flask until the bottom of the meniscus is even with the graduation mark. Stopper, invert, and shake the flask. Return it to the upright position, and allow the air bubble to return all the way to the top of the neck.
$>$ Repeat until the solution is completely homogeneous; about 10 inversions and shakings are required.

## Preparation of solution from the liquid reagents

The concentration of many fairly concentrated commercial acids and bases are usually given in terms of percent by weight. It is frequently necessary to prepare solutions of a given approximate molarity from these substances. In order to do so, we must know the density in order to calculate the molarity. Some times substances list specific gravity rather than density.

EXPERIMENT 2 Prepare 50 mL of 0.5 M HCl from the concentrated commercial reagent.

## PROCEDURE

$>$ Calculate the molarity of the concentrated reagent. Then calculate the volume of concentrated acid required.
$>$ Pipet $\ldots . . \mathrm{mL}$ of the concentrated HCl into a $50-\mathrm{mL}$ volumetric flask and diluted to the mark with distilled water.
$>$ Mix the solution by repeatedly inverting and shaking the flask.


## Problems

1. Describe the preparation of 50 mL of 0.1 M NaOH from the solid reagent.
2. Describe the preparation of 50 mL of 0.5 M HCl from the commercial reagent that has a specific gravity of 1.18 and is $37 \%$ (w/w) $\mathrm{HCl}(36.5 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol})$.
