CALCULATING MOLES

4.4.1

Each tablet contains the same number of moles of $CaCO_3$ and $MgCO_3$. One tablet reacted with excess hydrochloric acid to produce 0.24 dm^3 of carbon dioxide at r.t.p.

$$CaCO_3 + 2HCl \rightarrow CaCl_2 + CO_2 + H_2O$$
$$MgCO_3 + 2HCl \rightarrow MgCl_2 + CO_2 + H_2O$$

(i) Calculate how many moles of $CaCO_3$ there are in one tablet.

number of moles CO_2 = ...

number of moles of $CaCO_3$ and $MgCO_3$ = ...

number of moles of $CaCO_3$ = ...

[3]

(ii) Calculate the volume of hydrochloric acid, 1.0 mol / dm^3, needed to react with one tablet.

number of moles of $CaCO_3$ and $MgCO_3$ in one tablet = ...
Use your answer to **(c)(i)**.

number of moles of HCl needed to react with one tablet = ...

volume of hydrochloric acid, 1.0 mol / dm^3, needed to react with one tablet = ...

[2]

(i) number of moles CO_2 = 0.24/24 = 0.01
conseq number of moles of $CaCO_3$ and $MgCO_3$ = 0.01
conseq number of moles of $CaCO_3$ = 0.005 [3]

(ii) Calculate the volume of hydrochloric acid, 1.0 mole/dm^3, needed to react with one tablet.
number of moles of $CaCO_3$ and $MgCO_3$ in one tablet = 0.01
Expect same as answer to (c)(i). NO marks to be awarded. Just mark consequentially to this response
conseq number of moles of HC*l* needed
to react with one tablet = 0.02 [1]

conseq volume of hydrochloric acid, 1.0 mole/dm^3, needed to react with one tablet = 0.02 dm^3 or 20 cm^3 [1]

4.4.2

Some hydroxides, nitrates and carbonates decompose when heated.

There are three possible equations for the thermal decomposition of sodium hydrogencarbonate.

$2NaHCO_3(s) \rightarrow Na_2O(s) + 2CO_2(g) + H_2O(g)$ **equation 1**

$NaHCO_3(s) \rightarrow NaOH(s) + CO_2(g)$ **equation 2**

$2NaHCO_3(s) \rightarrow Na_2CO_3(s) + CO_2(g) + H_2O(g)$ **equation 3**

The following experiment was carried out to determine which one of the above is the correct equation.

A known mass of sodium hydrogencarbonate was heated for ten minutes. It was then allowed to cool and weighed.

Results
Mass of sodium hydrogencarbonate = 3.36 g
Mass of the residue = 2.12 g

Calculation
M_r for $NaHCO_3$ = 84 g; M_r for Na_2O = 62 g; M_r for NaOH = 40 g
M_r for Na_2CO_3 = 106 g

(i) Number of moles of $NaHCO_3$ used = ... [1]

(ii) If residue is Na_2O, number of moles of Na_2O = ...

If residue is NaOH, number of moles of NaOH = ...

If residue is Na_2CO_3, number of moles of Na_2CO_3 = ... [2]

(iii) Use the number of moles calculated in **(i)** and **(ii)** to decide which one of the three equations is correct. Explain your choice.

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calculation:
M_r for $NaHCO_3$ = 84 g; M_r for Na_2O = 62 g; M_r for NaOH = 40 g
M_r for Na_2CO_3 = 106 g

(i) number of moles of $NaHCO_3$ used = 3.36/84 = 0.04 [1]

(ii) if residue is Na_2O, number of moles of Na_2O = 2.12/62
=0.034 / 0.03

if residue is NaOH, number of moles of NaOH = 2.12/40
= 0.053 / 0.05

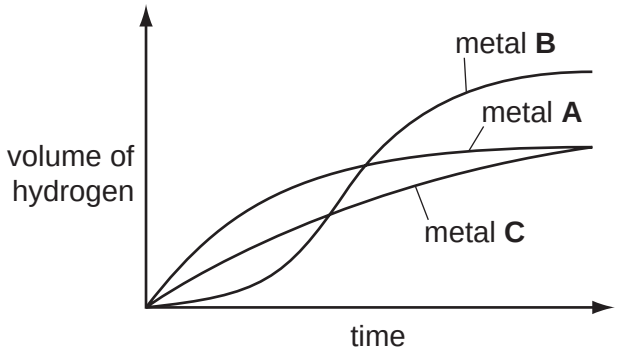
if reside is Na_2CO_3, number of moles of Na_2CO_3 = 2.12/106 =0.02 all three correct [2]
note: two correct = 1

(iii) equation 3 [1]
mole ratio 2:1 agrees with equation [1]

4.4.3

Excess hydrochloric acid was added to powdered zinc. The hydrogen evolved was collected and its volume measured every 20 seconds.

The experiments were repeated at the same temperature using the same number of moles of powdered magnesium and aluminium.



(b) Using 'moles', explain why two of the metals form the same volume of hydrogen but the third metal forms a larger volume.

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for magnesium and zinc same volume of hydrogen [1]

because both have valency of 2 / 1 mole of metal gives 1 mole of hydrogen / 1 mole of metal reacts with 2 moles of acid [1]

bigger volume for aluminium because its valency is 3 / 1 mole of metal gives 1.5 moles of hydrogen / 1 mole of metal reacts with 3 moles of acid [1]

If you encounter different reasoning which is correct, please award the appropriate marks.

accept balanced equations
accept ionic charges as alternative to valency