# **Study of Compounds- Hydrogen Chloride**

# 1. Laboratory preparation:

$$NaCl + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow NaHSO_4 + HCl$$

- i. Sulphuric acid is used as it is non-volatile.
- ii. Sodium chloride is used as it is cheap.
- iii. Nitric acid is not used as it is volatile.
- iv. Temperature is kept below 200°C as above 200°C,
  - a. Sodium sulphate is formed, which form a hard crust on the glass and is difficult to remove.
  - b. Fuel is wasted.
  - c. Glass may crack.
- v. HCl is collected by the upward displacement of air. It is not collected over water, since it is highly soluble in water.
- vi. HCl gas is dried by passing through conc. Sulphuric acid. It is not dried by using  $P_2O_5$  and CaO.

$$\begin{aligned} 2P_2O_5 + 3HCl &\rightarrow POCl_3 + 3HPO_3 \\ CaO + 2HCl &\rightarrow CaCl_2 + H_2O \end{aligned}$$

## 2. Fountain experiment:

- i. Dropper is used in order to spray water inside the round bottomed flask. HCl get dissolved in water, to create a partial vacuum, which force the litmus solution to push inside the round bottomed flask.
- ii. The observation is blue litmus solution produce a red fountain inside the round bottomed flask.
- iii. Conclusion:
  - a) HCl is highly soluble in water
  - b) Aqueous solution of HCl is acidic in nature.
- 3. HCl gas is passed into water to produce Hydrochloric Acid. To do so an inverted funnel arrangement is used. The funnel arrangement is preferred as it
  - i. Prevent the back suction of water.
  - ii. Provide a large surface area.

#### 4. Reactions:

Property of HCl	Reaction	Observation
Acidic Property	$Zn + 2HCl \rightarrow ZnCl_2 + H_2$	Colourless gas produced which burns with a pop sound.
	$ZnO + 2HCl \rightarrow ZnCl_2 + H_2O$ $Zn(OH)_2 + 2HCl \rightarrow ZnCl_2 + 2H_2O$	
	$Na_2CO_3 + 2HCl \rightarrow 2NaCl + H_2O + CO_2\uparrow$	Colourless gas produced which turns lime water milky but has no effect on acidic potassium dichromate solution.
	$Na_2SO_3 + 2HCl \rightarrow 2NaCl + H_2O + SO_2\uparrow$	Colourless gas with suffocating smell of burning sulphur produced which turns lime water milky and turns acidic potassium dichromate solution green from orange.
	$Na_2S+2HC1 \rightarrow 2NaC1 + H_2S\uparrow$	Colourless gas with rotten egg smell produced which turns lead acetate paper black.
	$HCl + NH_3 \rightarrow NH_4Cl$	Dense white fumes of ammonium chloride
Precipitation reaction	• $Pb(NO_3)_2 + 2HCl \rightarrow PbCl_2 \downarrow + 2HNO_3$	White ppt which is soluble in
	• $Hg_2(NO_3)_2 + 2HCl \rightarrow Hg_2Cl_2 \downarrow + 2HNO_3$ • $AgNO_3 + HCl \rightarrow AgCl \downarrow + HNO_3$	<ul><li>hot water.</li><li>White ppt</li><li>Curdy white ppt which is</li></ul>

		soluble in ammonium hydroxide but reappears on adding nitric acid.
Reducing nature	$MnO_2 + 4HCl \rightarrow MnCl_2 + Cl_2 \uparrow + 2H_2O$	Greenish yellow gas evolved which turns starch KI paper blue black.

## 5. Test for HCl gas:

- i. Physical test- Irritating smell
- ii. Produce dense white fumes when comes in contact with a glass rod dipped in ammonium hydroxide.

$$HCl(g) + NH_3(g) \rightarrow NH_4Cl(s)$$

iii. Both HCl(g) and acid produce a curdy white ppt when react with silver nitrate solution which is soluble in ammonium hydroxide but reappears on adding nitric acid.

$$AgNO_3 + HC1 \rightarrow AgC1 \downarrow + HNO_3$$
  
 $AgC1 + 2NH_4OH \rightarrow [Ag(NH_3)_2]C1 + 2H_2O$   
diammine silver (I) chloride

## 6. Other points:

- i. HCl is a volatile monobasic acid.
- ii. It forms an azeotropic mixture at 110°c with 22.2 % concentration.
- iii. Dilute HCl react with sodium thiosulphate solution to produce a yellow ppt and colouless gas with suffocating smell of burning sulphur which turns lime water milky and turns acidic potassium dichromate solution green from orange.

$$Na_2S_2O_3 + 2HCl \rightarrow 2NaCl + H_2O + SO_2\uparrow + S\downarrow$$

- iv. HCl is a polar covalent compound which readily ionises in water to produce H<sup>+</sup>ion.
- v. A mixture of 1part by volume of conc  $HNO_3$  and conc HCl is called aqua regia. It can dissolve Pt and Au.