

Cambridge Technicals in
Laboratory Skills

Summer Work - Support

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TITRATION CALCULATIONS

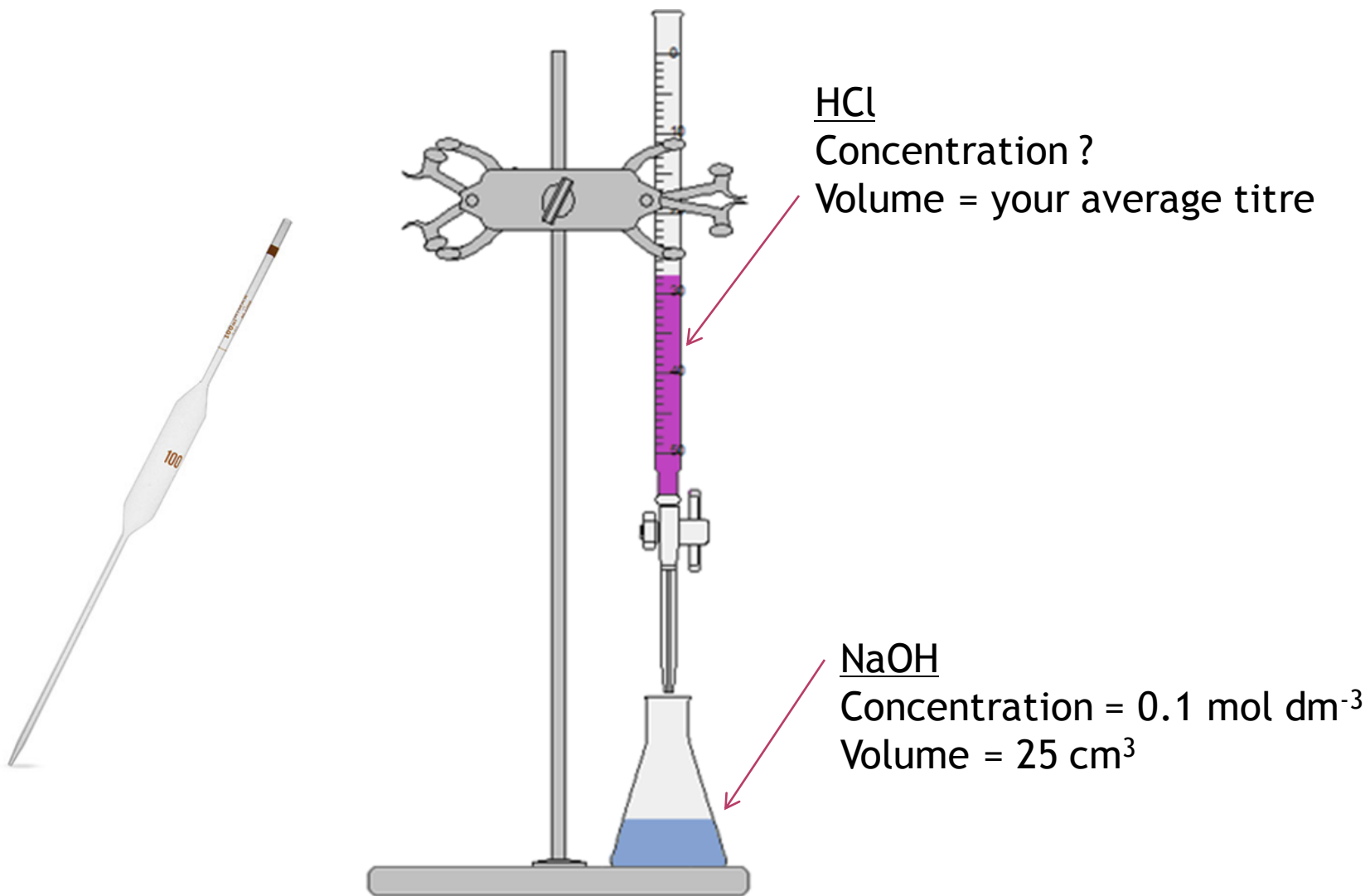
Learning Objective:

- ⦿ Understand how to calculate concentration from reacting volumes

Learning Outcome:

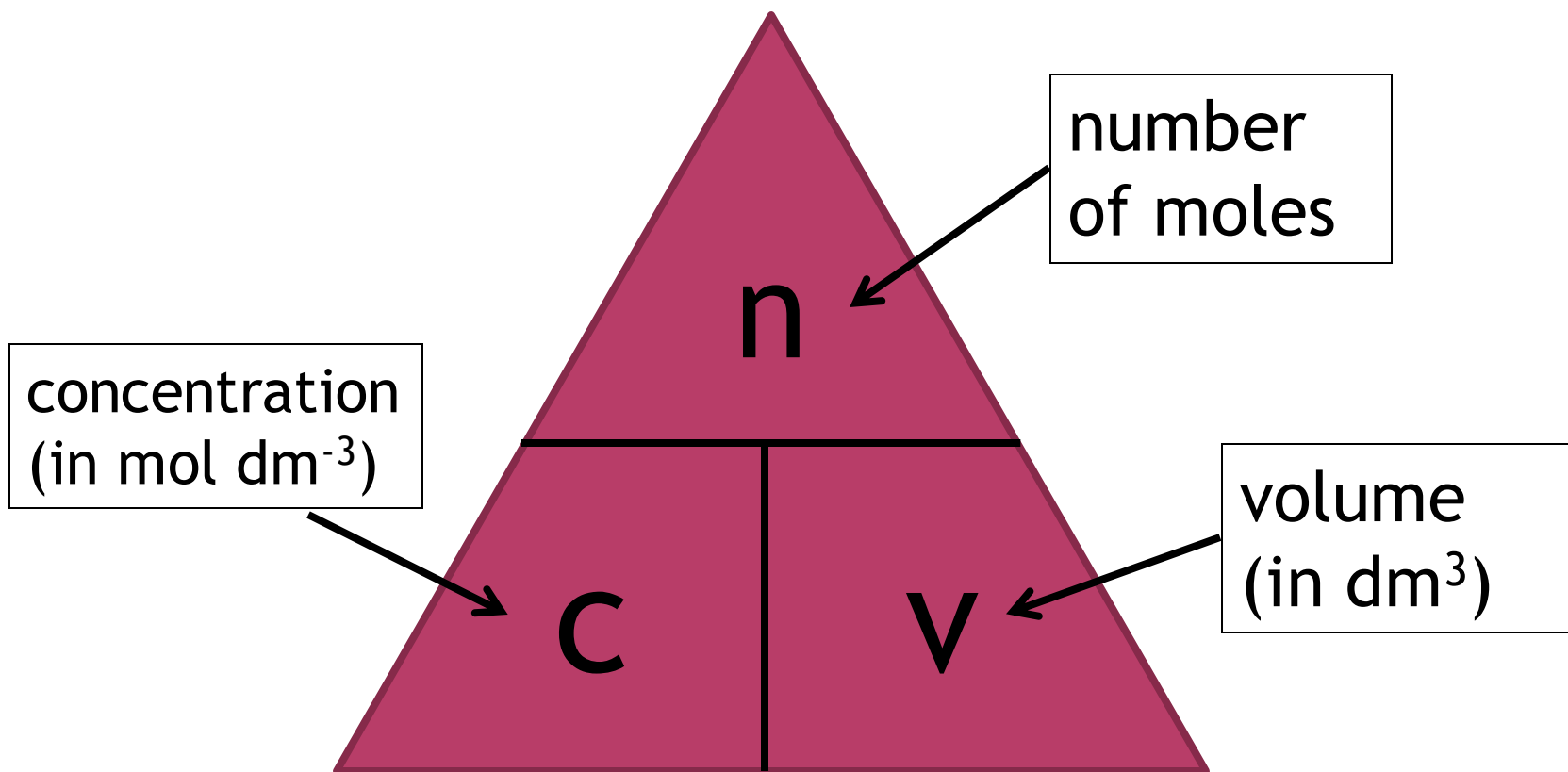
- ⦿ Use balanced symbol equations to calculate the concentration of an unknown reactant

FROM THE INDUCTION SESSION...



$$\text{CONCENTRATION} = \frac{\text{NO. OF MOLES}}{\text{VOLUME}}$$

◉ Learn this formula triangle!



CONCENTRATION

- Concentration is a measure of how many particles are in a given volume.
- The concentration can be measured in moles per dm^3 (ie. moles per litre).
- So 1 mole of a substance in 1dm^3 of solution has a concentration of 1 mole per dm^3 ($1\text{mol}/\text{dm}^3$).

$$\begin{aligned} & 1 \text{ litre} \\ & = 1000 \text{ cm}^3 \\ & = 1 \text{ dm}^3 \end{aligned}$$

USING THE TRIANGLE

◉ Example 1:

What is the concentration of a solution with 2 moles of salt in 500cm³?

The question already tells us the number of moles and the volume, so use the formula:

$$c = \frac{n}{v} = \frac{2}{0.5} = 4 \text{ mol/dm}^3$$

convert the volume to dm³ first by dividing by 1000.

USING THE TRIANGLE

◉ Example 2:

How many moles of sodium chloride are in 250cm³ of a 3 mol dm⁻³ solution of sodium chloride?

The question tells us the volume and concentration, so use the formula:

$$n = c \times v = 3 \times 0.25 = 0.75 \text{ moles}$$

convert the volume to dm³ first by dividing by 1000.

TRY THIS....

“In a titration, 20 cm³ of 1.0 mol dm⁻³ hydrochloric acid, HCl, reacted with 25 cm³ of sodium hydroxide, NaOH. What was the concentration of the sodium hydroxide?”

- You will need to write a balanced symbol equation.
- Use the support sheet available to help you

COMMON FORMULA

- ◉ Hydrochloric acid = HCl
- ◉ Nitric acid = HNO₃
- ◉ Sulphuric acid = H₂SO₄
- ◉ Sodium hydroxide - NaOH
- ◉ Sodium sulphate = Na₂SO₄
- ◉ Sodium nitrate = NaNO₃
- ◉ Phosphoric acid = H₃PO₄
- ◉ Sodium phosphate = Na₃PO₄
- ◉ Potassium sulphate = K₂SO₄

SUMMER WORK TASKS

Complete Sections A and B on the Titrations Calculations worksheet

- You will need to write a balanced symbol equations (use the support sheet and this video to help with this if you are unsure: [Balancing support video](#))
- Use the Titration calculation support sheet available to help you

Work must be submitted on your first lesson back in the Autumn term