

Chemistry HELP-SHEET 21

# WHAT ARE EQUATIONS ?

#### It's an equation Jim, but not as mathematicians know it!

What does the following equation tell you ?  $H_2SO_4 + 2NaOH \longrightarrow Na_2SO_4 + 2H_2O$ 

- *Initially, it says Initially, it says but more importantly it says or, to put it another way sulphuric acid reacts with sodium hydroxides to react with every one sulphuric acid you need twice as many sodium hydroxides as sulphuric acids*
- in posh chemical terms it says moles of NaOH =  $2 \times \text{moles of } H_2SO_4$

BUT IT DOESN'T MEAN... 2 NaOH'S =  $1 H_2SO_4$  - IT ISN'T A MATHS EQUATION!

### Q.1 Look at the following equations and answer the questions about them;

a) CaCO<sub>3</sub> → CaO + CO<sub>2</sub>
If you start with 60 CaCO<sub>3</sub>'s, how many CaO's will you get ?
b) H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> + 2KOH → K<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> + 2H<sub>2</sub>O
If you start with 20 H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>'s, how many KOH's will you need ?
How many H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>'s will you need to make 100 H<sub>2</sub>O's ?
How many KOH's will you need to make 20 H<sub>2</sub>O's ?
How many KOH's will you need to make 1840 K<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>'s ?

### MOLES

- *General* the mole is the standard unit of amount ... its value is  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  known as Avogadro's Constant
  - it is a way of expressing large numbers in an 'easier to say' way!
  - the number of moles of a substance can be calculated as follows ...

MOLES = MASS / MOLAR MASS

re-arranging	mass	=	moles x molar mass
	molar mass	=	mass / moles

### Q.2 Look at the following equation and answer the questions;

## $2HCI + Ca(OH)_2 \longrightarrow CaCl_2 + 2H_2O$

If you start with 0.1 moles of Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub> how many HCl 's will you need ?	
If you start with 0.2 moles of HCl how many CaCl <sub>2</sub> 's will you make ?	
How much HCl will you need to make 0.002 moles of H <sub>2</sub> O's ?	