

# Mercaptan Sulfur in Gasoline and Kerosene Aviation Turbine and Distillate Fuels

USING ASTM D 3227

## Introduction

For the determination of mercaptan sulfur in a range from 3 mg/kg - 100 mg/kg.

## Apparatus

- TitroLine® 7000 or higher
- Magnetic stirrer (TM 235)
- 10 mL Exchange unit WA 10, with amber glass bottle for the titrant

## Electrode and Electrolyte

- **Electrode:** AgS 62 RG or AG 1100 (sulphidized) + A 1180/H 1180 glass electrode
- **Electrode cable:** L 1 A or L 1 A + L 1 N

## Reagents

- **Solvent:** Sodium acetate trihydrate solution in IPA
- **Standardization:** KI or NaCl solution 0.1 mol/L
- **Titrant:** AgNO<sub>3</sub> 0.01 mol/L in isopropanol (IPA)



## Procedure

### Preparation and standardization of the KI and alcoholic $\text{AgNO}_3$ solutions

Dissolve 17 g (weigh to 0.01g) of **KI** in 100 ml of water in a 1 L volumetric flask and dilute to 1 L. Calculate the exact molarity. It is also possible to use NaCl instead of KI. Commercial available 0.1 mol/L solutions for NaCl can be also used.

Use a standard ampoule **0.1 m  $\text{AgNO}_3$**  and fill it up with IPA (99%) in a 1 L volumetric flask.

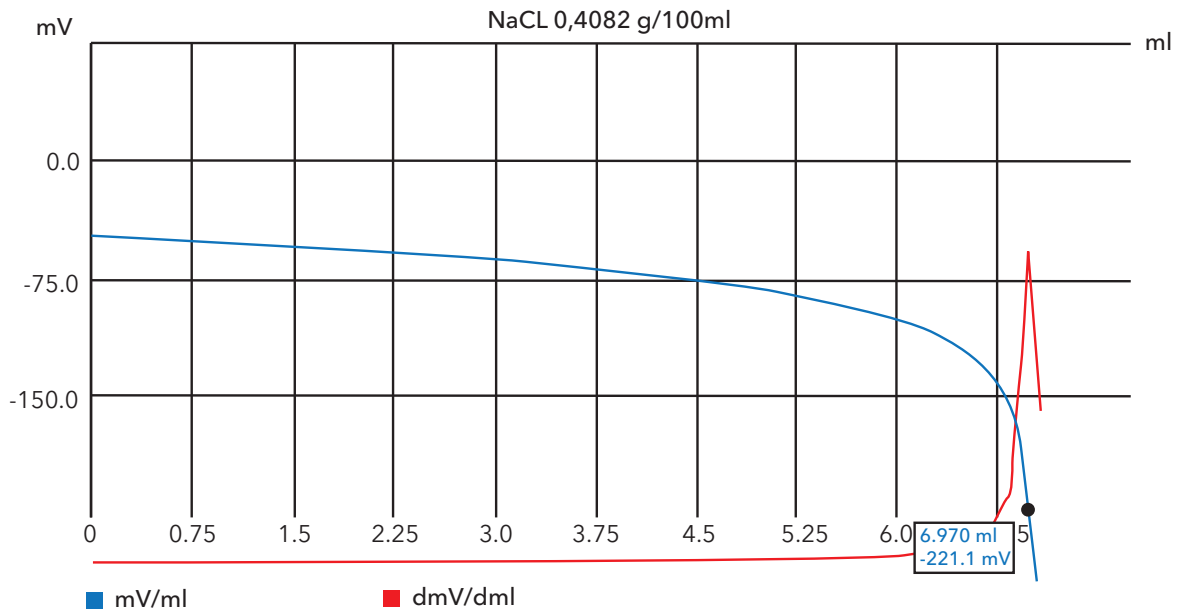
Add 6 drops of conc.  $\text{HNO}_3$  to 100 ml of water in a 250 ml tall form beaker. Remove oxides of nitrogen by boiling for 5 minutes. Cool to ambient temperature. Pipette 5 ml of a 0.1 m KI solution into the beaker and titrate with the 0.1 m  $\text{AgNO}_3$  to an inflection point.

The **0.01 m  $\text{AgNO}_3$**  should be prepared daily by dilution of the 0.1 m standard. Calculate the exact molarity.

## Standardization (Page 1)

### GLP documentation

Titration graph



#### Method data

Method name:	AgNO3 0.01 M in IPA	Titration duration	7 m 7 s
End date:	25.03.15	End time:	17:31:48

#### Titration data

Sample ID:	NaCl 0.4082 g/100 ml	Pattern:	1.000 ml
Start mV:	-46.6 mV	End mV:	-267.9 mV
EQ:	6.970 ml / -221.1 mV	Titer:	0.01002 mol/l
Mean value:	---	RSD:	---

#### Calculation formula

Titer:	$(V \cdot F2) / ((EQ1 - B) \cdot M \cdot F1) \rightarrow WA$	Mol (M):	1.00000
Pattern (V):	1.000 ml (m)	Factor 2 (F2):	69.8458
Blank value (B):	0.0000 ml	Factor 1 (F1):	1000.0000
Statistics:	1 from 3		

## Method Data

### Method data overall view

Method name:	AgNO3 0.01 M in IPA	Created at:	03/25/15 17:24:34
Method type:	Automatic titration	Last modification:	03/25/15 17:34:34
Measured value	mV	Damping settings:	strong
Titration mode:	Dynamic	Documentation:	GLP
Dynamic	User-defined	Max. step size:	0.5000 ml
		Slope max ml:	15.00 ml/min
		Min. step size:	0.0200 ml
		Slope min ml:	230.00 mV/min
Measuring speed / drift	User-defined:	minimum holding time:	05 s
		maximum holding time:	15 s
		measuring time:	04 s
		Drift:	05 mV/min
Initial waiting time:	0 s		
Titration direction:	Decrease		
Pretitration:	Off		
End value:	Off		
EQ:	On (1)		
Slope value:	User-defined	Value:	400

### Dosing parameter

Dosing speed:	100.00 %	Filling speed:	30 s
Maximum dosing volume	10.00 ml		

### Unit values

Unit size:	10 ml
Unit ID:	10035433
Reagent:	AgNO3 in IPA
Batch ID:	no entry
Concentration [mol/l]:	0.01000
Determined at:	03/25/15 22:33:43
Expire date:	--
Opened/compounded:	--
Test according ISO 8655:	05/04/12
Last modification:	03/25/15 15:33:54

## Preparation of the Solvent

Dissolve 2.7 g of sodium acetate trihydrate in 20 ml oxygen-free water and pour into 975 ml of 2-propanol (IPA). Add 4.6 ml of glacial acetic acid. Remove dissolved oxygen with a rapid stream of nitrogen for 10 min each day prior to use. Keep protected from the atmosphere.

## Preparation of the $\text{CdSO}_4$ Solution

Dissolve 150 g of  $\text{CdSO}_4$  ( $3\text{CdSO}_4 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) in water. Add 10 ml of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  (1:5) and dilute to 1L with water.

## Connection of the electrode

The AgS 62 RG is directly connected to pH/mV socket with cable L 1 A.

### Option:

The A 1180 is connected with the cable L 1 A to pH/mV socket. The Ag 1100 (sulphidized) is connected with cable L 1 N to the reference socket.

## Titration

### Preparation of the sample: Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide

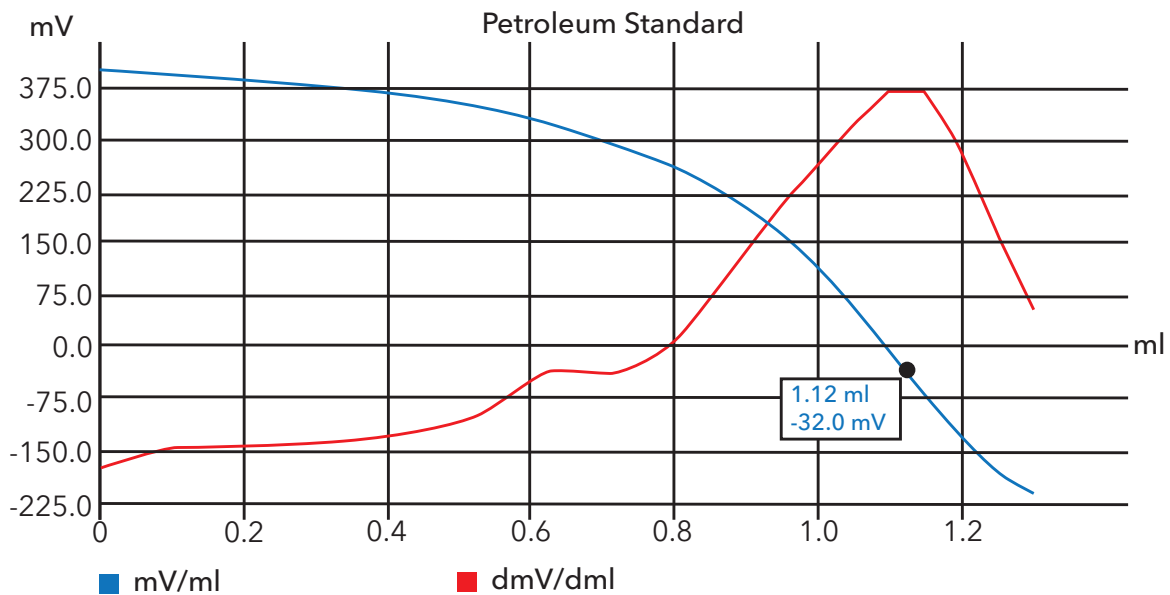
Test the sample quality for hydrogen sulfide ( $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ ) by shaking 5 ml of the sample with 5 ml of the acid  $\text{CdSO}_4$  solution. If no precipitate appears, proceed with the analysis of the sample described below. If a yellow precipitate appears, remove the  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  in the following manner: Place approximately 2-3 times the amount of sample needed for analysis (ie 200 ml), into a separatory funnel containing a volume of  $\text{CdSO}_4$  equal to half of the sample volume (ie 100 ml) and shake vigorously. Remove the aqueous phase and wash the sample with three 25-30 ml portions of water, removing the aqueous layer after each wash. Repeat the extraction with  $\text{CdSO}_4$  until all of the  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  has been removed.

Measure with a pipet (or weigh) 20 to 30 ml of the original or treated sample into a 150 ml titration beaker containing 70 ml of the solvent mixture. Immediately immerse the electrodes and burette tip into the sample. Titrate with the 0.01 m  $\text{AgNO}_3$  with the attached titration parameters. After the titration, the electrodes should be rinsed with alcohol and then with water.

## Result (Page 1)

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Titration graph



#### Method data

Method name:	R-SH without H <sub>2</sub> S	Titration duration	6 m 40 s
End date:	25.03.15	End time:	19:09:14

#### Titration data

Sample ID:	Petroleum Standard	Pattern:	20.000 ml
Start mV:	400.7 mV	End mV:	-213.9 mV
EQ:	1.121 ml / -32.0	R-SH:	21.9 ppm

#### Calculation formula

R-SH:	$(EQ1-B)*T*M*F1/(V*F2)$	Mol (M):	32.06000
Blank value (V):	0.0000 ml	Titre (T):	0.00998 (a)
Factor 1 (F1):	1000.0000	Pattern (V):	20.000 ml (m)
Factor 2 (F2):	0.8200	Statistics:	Off

## Method Data

### Method data overall view

Method name:	R-SH without H <sub>2</sub> S	Created at:	03/25/15 19:02:24
Method type:	Automatic titration	Last modification:	03/25/15 19:02:24
Measured value	mV	Damping settings:	strong
Titration mode:	Linear	Documentation:	GLP
Linear steps:	0.050 ml		

Measuring speed / drift	User-defined:	minimum holding time:	05 s
		maximum holding time:	15 s
		measuring time:	04 s
		Drift:	05 mV/min

Initial waiting time:	0 s		
Titration direction:	Decrease		
Pretitration:	Off		
End value:	Off		
EQ:	On (1)		
Slope value:	User-defined	Value:	500

### Dosing parameter

Dosing speed:	100.00 % (20.00 ml/min)	Filling speed:	30 s
Maximum dosing volume	10.00 ml		

### Unit values

Unit size:	10 ml
Unit ID:	10035433
Reagent:	AgNO <sub>3</sub> in IPA
Batch ID:	no entry
Concentration [mol/l]:	0.00998
Determined at:	03/25/15 18:22:34
Expire date:	--
Opened/compounded:	--
Test according ISO 8655:	05/04/12
Last modification:	03/25/15 18:22:40

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