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TOPIC:	Group 2 Metals
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Group 2 Metals - I

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Reagent: Barium chloride (BaCl₂)

Observation with KNO₃ (aq): No visible reaction or precipitate formation. **Observation with K**₂ **SO**₄ (aq): Formation of a white precipitate or white solid. **Conclusion**: The formation of a white precipitate or white solid indicates the presence of sulfate ions, confirming the solution to be potassium sulfate $(K_2 SO_4)$.

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Reagent: Sodium hydroxide (NaOH)

Observation with MgCl₂(aq): White precipitate forms in the solution. **Observation with AlCl₃(aq)**: White gelatinous precipitate forms in the solution, and it may dissolve in excess NaOH to give a colorless solution.

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(a) Equation:

 $2Mq + TiCl_4 \rightarrow Ti + 2MqCl_2$

Role of magnesium:

Magnesium (2Mg) acts as a reducing agent by providing electrons to reduce titanium tetrachloride (TiCl₄).

The magnesium undergoes oxidation, changing from an oxidation state of 0 to +2.

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Moles of water in 210 mg: So water in 210 mg = 0.210 g Moles of water in 0.210g = mass / mr = 0.210 / 18 =0.0117 mol Equal to moles of magnesium hydroxide produced in stage one: Mass of Mg(OH)₂ = 0.0117 x 58.3 = 0.680 g Mass of magnesium oxide (MgO): Mass of MgO = 3.2 - 0.68 = 2.52 g % of MgO = $\frac{2.52}{3.2}$ x 100 = 78.7%

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Equation: $Ca + 2H_20 \rightarrow Ca(OH)_2 + H_2$ **Expected value for the pH: 8 – 12** The resulting solution is alkaline, and the pH is expected to be in the range of 8 to 12, influenced by the concentration of calcium hydroxide.

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Solubility in water, of the Group 2 sulfates from magnesium to barium decreases. Because of increasing ionic size and decreasing lattice energy.

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The high melting point of calcium sulfate (CaSO₄) is due to the strong ionic bonds between the positively charged calcium ions (Ca²⁺) and the negatively charged sulfate ions (SO₄²⁻). This strong electrostatic attraction requires a significant amount of energy to break, resulting in a high melting point for the compound.

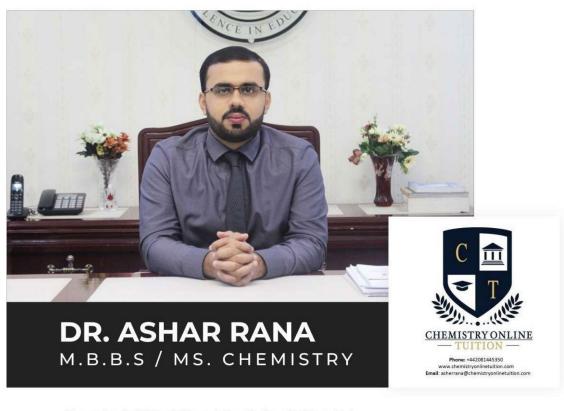
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