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Interconversion of Dichromate and Chromate Ions

♦ Aim

To investigate experimentally the interconversion of dichromate $(Cr_2O_7^{2-})$ ions and chromate (CrO_4^{-}) ions.



♦ Safety

Control Measures

- The wearing of **safety goggles, gloves and a laboratory coat** at all times will be sufficient to take account of most hazards and significant risks.
- Keep stoppers on bottles as much as is possible.
- All waste is to be placed in the labelled container immediately after use.
- You are reminded of the need of good laboratory practise in order to maintain a safe working environment.



Hazards



Corrosive Dilute Sodium Hydroxide

Harmful/Irritant Dilute Sodium Hydroxide, Potassium Dichromate sol.

♦ Procedure

Part A

To a few cm³ of potassium dichromate in a test tube add dilute sodium hydroxide solution. Note any colour change.

Colour Change:	

Part B

To a few cm³ of the solution from A in a test tube add dilute sodium hydroxide solution. Note any colour change.

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Questions

- 1. Write down an equation for the interconversion of the dichromate/chromate ions.
- 2. Explain the observations made above.
- 3. Explain whether or not this is a redox process.