

Analysis of sulfur in VG-2 glass

The following analyses demonstrate the effect of trace sulfur analyses using different primary standards. So long as the sulfur standard was peaked for each standard (to account for peak shift) the analysis of the VG-2 glass was essentially consistent.

The only problem observed was that the composition for the Pyrrhotite standard was entered nominally as FeS. Once the actual analysis was entered into the standard database, this standard gave consistent analyses with the other standards.

Conclusion: It doesn't matter what standard one uses for sulfur analyses provided that the analyst is measuring the peak intensity AT THE ACTUAL PEAK POSITIONS for both the unknown and standard.

VG-2 glass S analysis (each standard peaked individually)- NOTE, this measurement is not intended to be accurate, only as a basis for understanding the change in composition as a function of peak position and standard.

Standard	S (weight percent, analyses at 15 kev, 10 sec)
Anhydrite:	.14452
Pyrite	.14470
Pyrrhotite	.13285 (assumed 50/50)
Pyrrhotite	.14968 (Fe(1-x)S, where x=0.17) (from web database)
Pyrrhotite	.14472 (Fe(1-x)S, where x=0.13) (from EPMA analysis of actual standard)

St 327 Set 2 Anhydrite (CaSO4) UC # 5555
 TakeOff = 40 KiloVolts = 15 Beam Current = 20 Beam Size = 10
 "slightly soluble in alcohol", JJD
 Number of Data Lines: 5 Number of 'Good' Data Lines: 5
 First/Last Date-Time: 11/11/2004 05:24:01 PM to 11/11/2004 05:35:03 PM

Average Total Oxygen: 47.047 Average Total Weight%: 100.467
 Average Calculated Oxygen: 47.047 Average Atomic Number: 13.533
 Average Excess Oxygen: .000 Average Atomic Weight: 22.765
 Average ZAF Iteration: 2.40 Average Quant Iterate: 4.00

Results in Elemental Weight Percents

SPEC: O Sr
 TYPE: CALC SPEC

AVER: 47.0466 .49300
 SDEV: .17662 .00000

ELEM:	Ca	Si	Al	Na	K	Fe	Ti	S	P	Ni	Mn	Mg
BGDS:	MAN	MAN	MAN	MAN	LIN	MAN	MAN	LIN	LIN	LIN	LIN	MAN
ABS%:	-3.46	-15.05	-24.16	-52.20	.00	-1.55	-6.06	.00	.00	.00	.00	-36.62
TIME:	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00

ELEM:	Ca	Si	Al	Na	K	Fe	Ti	S	P	Ni	Mn	Mg	SUM
25	29.6721	.00081	.00393	.00000	.00694	.03721	.02486	23.4164	.00226	.00000	.00000	.01000	100.700
26	29.4445	.00053	.00000	.00000	.01163	.00079	.06265	23.5105	.02034	.00000	.05065	.00868	100.735
27	29.2846	.00000	.00715	.01199	.00000	.00000	.00000	23.6730	.04068	.01783	.00000	.00833	100.829
28	29.2147	.00125	.00501	.00197	.00000	.00000	.02409	23.4141	.00226	.00000	.00000	.00091	99.9872
29	29.0576	.00741	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000	.02966	23.4902	.04746	.01019	.00000	.00000	100.083

AVER: 29.3347 .00200 .00322 .00279 .00371 .00760 .02825 23.5008 .02260 .00560 .01013 .00558 100.467
 SDEV: .23433 .00306 .00316 .00521 .00535 .01656 .02243 .10548 .02108 .00813 .02265 .00473
 SERR: .10480 .00137 .00141 .00233 .00239 .00741 .01003 .04717 .00943 .00364 .01013 .00212
 %RSD: .8 152.8 98.1 186.7 144.0 217.9 79.4 .4 93.3 145.2 223.6 84.8

PUBL: 29.1270 n.a. n.a. n.a. n.a. n.a. n.a. 23.4990 n.a. n.a. n.a. n.a. 100.000
 %VAR: .71 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .01 .00 .00 .00 .00
 DIFF: .20770 .00000 .00000 .00000 .00000 .00000 .00000 .00184 .00000 .00000 .00000 .00000
 STDS: 358 298 374 336 374 395 22 327 285 28 25 12

STKF: .1693 .1849 .0701 .0735 .1132 .6779 .5547 .2205 .1599 .7502 .7341 .4736
 STCT: 2807.0 6645.5 2659.3 1728.1 1650.2 3309.5 1241.8 1625.0 778.3 3452.2 3325.8 16139.1

UNKF: .2694 .0000 .0000 .0000 .0000 .0001 .0002 .2205 .0002 .0000 .0001 .0000
 UNCT: 4466.3 .5 .5 -.2 -.1 -.1 .5 1625.0 1.0 -.5 -.1 1.1
 UNBG: 13.3 29.7 22.4 8.4 11.5 6.3 1.8 9.2 2.5 9.5 4.6 15.0

ZCOR: 1.0888 1.1725 1.3609 2.1509 1.0560 1.1978 1.2326 1.0659 1.1090 1.1810 1.2226 1.5829
 KRAW: 1.5911 .0001 .0002 -.0001 -.0001 .0000 .0004 1.0000 .0013 -.0002 .0000 .0001
 PKBG: 337.05 1.02 1.02 .97 .99 .99 1.25 179.04 1.40 .96 1.00 1.08
 INT%: .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 -.97 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00

St 730 Set 1 Pyrite UC # 21334
 TakeOff = 40 KiloVolts = 15 Beam Current = 20 Beam Size = 10
 Leadville, Colorado
 Excellent standard for Fe and S
 AA (by C. Lewis): Cu=0.005%, Au=0.00%, Ag=0.00%, Zn=0.004%
 XRF (by J. Hampel): Ni=0.00%, Co=0.00%, Cu=0.01%, As=0.009%
 Zn=0.0009%, Pb=0.010%, Ga=0.0001%, Cr=0.00%, Ti=0.058%
 Number of Data Lines: 5 Number of 'Good' Data Lines: 5
 First/Last Date-Time: 11/11/2004 05:38:02 PM to 11/11/2004 05:49:06 PM

Average Total Oxygen: .000 Average Total Weight%: 100.869
 Average Calculated Oxygen: .000 Average Atomic Number: 20.700
 Average Excess Oxygen: .000 Average Atomic Weight: 40.089
 Average ZAF Iteration: 3.00 Average Quant Iterate: 4.00

Results in Elemental Weight Percents

SPEC: O
 TYPE: SPEC

AVER: .00000
 SDEV: .00000

ELEM:	Ca	Si	Al	Na	K	Fe	Ti	S	P	Ni	Mn	Mg
BGDS:	MAN	MAN	MAN	MAN	LIN	MAN	MAN	LIN	LIN	LIN	LIN	MAN
ABS%:	-9.87	-23.94	-34.49	-62.14	.00	-1.14	-5.03	.00	.00	.00	.00	-47.62
TIME:	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00

ELEM:	Ca	Si	Al	Na	K	Fe	Ti	S	P	Ni	Mn	Mg	SUM
30	.00699	.00000	.00000	.01618	.01439	47.4054	.00000	53.6074	.00000	.00000	.05036	.00673	101.107
31	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000	47.6958	.02756	53.7226	.00000	.03799	.00000	.00419	101.488
32	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000	46.9164	.01803	53.1672	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000	100.102
33	.00575	.00000	.00000	.00446	.00000	47.1962	.00000	53.5088	.00000	.00000	.01385	.00000	100.729
34	.00345	.00000	.00000	.00000	.01817	47.7225	.00000	53.1702	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00373	100.918
AVER:	.00324	.00000	.00000	.00413	.00651	47.3872	.00912	53.4352	.00000	.00760	.01284	.00293	100.869
SDEV:	.00322	.00000	.00000	.00701	.00902	.34135	.01293	.25484	.00000	.01699	.02181	.00291	
SERR:	.00144	.00000	.00000	.00314	.00403	.15266	.00578	.11397	.00000	.00760	.00975	.00130	
%RSD:	99.4	.1	.1	169.8	138.5	.7	141.8	.5	.1	223.6	169.9	99.3	

PUBL:	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	46.5500	.05800	53.4500	n.a.	.00000	n.a.	n.a.	100.058
%VAR:	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	1.80	-84.28	-.03	.00	.00	.00	.00	
DIFF:	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000	.83723	-.04888	-.01477	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000	
STDS:	358	298	374	336	374	395	22	327	285	28	25	12	

STKF:	.1693	.1849	.0701	.0735	.1132	.6779	.5547	.2205	.1599	.7502	.7341	.4736
STCT:	2807.0	6643.3	2659.3	1728.1	1650.2	3309.5	1241.8	1625.0	778.3	3452.2	3325.8	16139.1

UNKF:	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0001	.4358	.0001	.5057	.0000	.0001	.0001	.0000
UNCT:	.0	-1.9	-1.4	-.1	.0	2127.4	-.2	3727.1	-.9	-.5	-.3	.0
UNBG:	20.1	42.4	29.6	11.4	16.2	11.2	3.0	16.4	3.9	14.8	7.7	19.7

ZCOR:	1.0623	1.2091	1.4587	2.5127	1.1374	1.0874	1.0816	1.0566	1.0952	1.1014	1.1112	1.7741
KRAW:	.0000	-.0003	-.0005	-.0001	.0000	.6428	-.0002	2.2936	-.0011	-.0001	-.0001	.0000

St 298 Set 2 Glass, VG-2 USNM 111240/52
 TakeOff = 40 KiloVolts = 15 Beam Current = 20 Beam Size = 10
 Juan de Fuca Basaltic Glass
 Number of Data Lines: 5 Number of 'Good' Data Lines: 5
 First/Last Date-Time: 11/11/2004 04:55:55 PM to 11/11/2004 05:06:58 PM

Average Total Oxygen: 43.773 Average Total Weight%: 99.315
 Average Calculated Oxygen: 43.773 Average Atomic Number: 12.810
 Average Excess Oxygen: .000 Average Atomic Weight: 22.071
 Average ZAF Iteration: 3.00 Average Quant Iterate: 3.00

Results in Elemental Weight Percents

SPEC: O
 TYPE: CALC

AVER: 43.7732
 SDEV: .10410

ELEM:	Ca	Si	Al	Na	K	Fe	Ti	S	P	Ni	Mn	Mg
BGDS:	MAN	MAN	MAN	MAN	LIN	MAN	MAN	LIN	LIN	LIN	LIN	MAN
ABS%:	-3.48	-21.61	-26.61	-49.62	.00	-.29	-2.50	.00	.00	.00	.00	-35.87
TIME:	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00

ELEM:	Ca	Si	Al	Na	K	Fe	Ti	S	P	Ni	Mn	Mg	SUM
15	7.65461	23.7966	7.39517	1.98201	.16231	9.12229	.97014	.15387	.08599	.00507	.04794	3.99784	99.0933
16	7.64919	23.7448	7.39265	1.96981	.17019	8.81807	1.13605	.13116	.09454	.02029	.13018	4.00922	98.9559
17	7.67011	23.6594	7.42488	1.93457	.15238	9.02179	1.09299	.12716	.08592	.00000	.21747	4.07335	99.1482
18	7.70068	23.7532	7.39468	2.10562	.15194	9.14016	1.02534	.13231	.09455	.04818	.14112	4.10125	99.6457
19	7.77194	23.7891	7.42423	2.08661	.17793	9.05008	1.03549	.11975	.12602	.01014	.20417	4.02592	99.7335

AVER: 7.68931 23.7486 7.40632 2.01572 .16295 9.03048 1.05200 .13285 .09740 .01674 .14818 4.04151 99.3153
 SDEV: .05035 .05461 .01667 .07572 .01130 .12849 .06409 .01274 .01656 .01911 .06775 .04409
 SERR: .02252 .02442 .00746 .03386 .00505 .05746 .02866 .00570 .00741 .00855 .03030 .01972
 %RSD: .7 .2 .2 3.8 6.9 1.4 6.1 9.6 17.0 114.2 45.7 1.1

PUBL: 7.94739 23.7501 7.44119 1.94365 .15773 9.20329 1.10907 .13500 .08728 n.a. .17038 4.04631 99.7554
 %VAR: -3.25 -.01 -.47 3.71 3.31 -1.88 -5.15 -1.59 11.60 .00 -13.03 -.12
 DIFF: -.25808 -.00150 -.03487 .07207 .00522 -.17281 -.05707 -.00215 .01012 .00000 -.02220 -.00480
 STDS: 358 298 374 336 374 395 22 757 285 28 25 12

STKF: .1693 .1849 .0701 .0735 .1132 .6779 .5547 .3387 .1599 .7502 .7341 .4736
 STCT: 2807.0 6650.5 2659.3 1728.1 1650.2 3309.5 1241.9 2716.6 778.3 3452.2 3325.8 16139.1

UNKF: .0713 .1848 .0532 .0100 .0015 .0766 .0090 .0011 .0007 .0001 .0012 .0261
 UNCT: 1181.8 6649.9 2017.9 233.9 21.5 373.8 20.1 8.6 3.4 .6 5.6 888.5
 UNBG: 12.7 26.7 21.4 8.5 9.8 5.9 1.6 3.3 1.7 8.2 4.4 14.3

ZCOR: 1.0786 1.2848 1.3920 2.0257 1.1032 1.1792 1.1716 1.2418 1.4052 1.1759 1.1996 1.5501
 KRAW: .4210 .9999 .7588 .1353 .0131 .1130 .0162 .0032 .0043 .0002 .0017 .0551
 PKBG: 93.78 250.16 95.51 28.64 3.21 64.45 13.33 3.68 3.09 1.08 2.35 63.01
 INT%: .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00

