

Acid/Base and Titration Problem Set / Answers
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1. a) Calculate the amount of 0.1 M H₃PO₄ that it would take to neutralize 100 mL of 0.1 M NaOH.

$$0.1\text{M NaOH} = \frac{0.1\text{mol NaOH}}{1\text{ L NaOH}} * \frac{0.1\text{L NaOH}}{1\text{ mol NaOH}} * \frac{1\text{mol OH}^-}{1\text{ mol OH}^-} * \frac{1\text{mol H}^+}{3\text{ mol H}^+} * \frac{1\text{ mol H}_3\text{PO}_4}{0.1\text{mol H}_3\text{PO}_4} * \frac{1\text{L H}_3\text{PO}_4}{1\text{L H}_3\text{PO}_4} =$$

$$= 0.0333\text{L} = 33.3\text{ mL}$$

b) Calculate the amount of 0.25 M H₂SO₄ that it would take to neutralize 25 mL of 0.2 M NH₃.

$$\frac{0.2\text{mol NH}_3}{1\text{ L NH}_3} * \frac{0.025\text{L NH}_3}{1\text{ mol NH}_3} * \frac{1\text{mol H}^+}{2\text{ mol H}^+} * \frac{1\text{mol H}_2\text{SO}_4}{0.25\text{ mol H}_2\text{SO}_4} * \frac{1\text{L H}_2\text{SO}_4}{1\text{L H}_2\text{SO}_4} = 0.01\text{ L} = 10.0\text{mL}$$

c) Calculate the amount of 0.4 M HCl that it would take to neutralize 20 mL of 0.15 M NaOH.

$$\frac{0.15\text{mol NaOH}}{1\text{ L NaOH}} * \frac{0.02\text{L NaOH}}{1\text{ mol NaOH}} * \frac{1\text{mol H}^+}{1\text{ mol H}^+} * \frac{1\text{mol HCl}}{0.4\text{ mol HCl}} * \frac{1\text{L HCl}}{1\text{L HCl}} = 0.0075\text{ L} = 7.5\text{ mL}$$

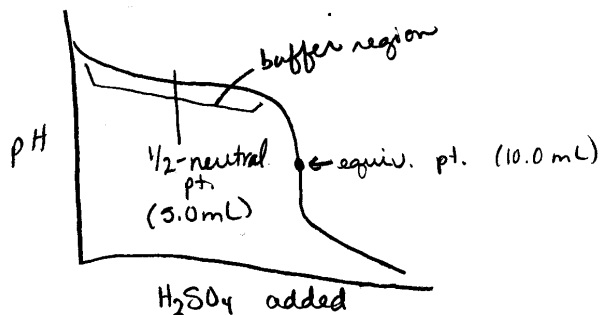
d) Calculate the amount of 0.1 M H₃PO₄ that it would take to neutralize 100 mL of 0.1 M Ca(OH)₂.

$$\frac{0.1\text{mol Ca(OH)}_2}{1\text{ L Ca(OH)}_2} * \frac{0.1\text{L Ca(OH)}_2}{1\text{ mol Ca(OH)}_2} * \frac{2\text{mol OH}^-}{1\text{ mol Ca(OH)}_2} * \frac{1\text{mol H}^+}{3\text{ mol H}^+} * \frac{1\text{ mol H}_3\text{PO}_4}{0.1\text{mol H}_3\text{PO}_4} * \frac{1\text{L H}_3\text{PO}_4}{1\text{L H}_3\text{PO}_4} =$$

$$= 0.0667\text{ L} = 66.67\text{mL H}_3\text{PO}_4$$

2. For the titration of 25 mL of 0.2 M (CH₃)₃N, calculate the pH before any 0.25 M H₂SO₄ has been added, the pH when 2.0 mL of H₂SO₄ has been added, the pH 5.0 mL of H₂SO₄ has been added, when 10.0 mL of H₂SO₄ has been added, and when 12.0 mL of H₂SO₄ has been added.

- ① Where is equiv. pt? 10.0 mL H₂SO₄ added
 ② Where is 1/2-neutralization? 5.0 mL H₂SO₄ added



no H₂SO₄ added

pH from weak base only

R	(CH ₃) ₃ N + H ₂ O _(l)	--->	(CH ₃) ₃ NH ⁺	+ OH ⁻
I	0.2M		0	0
C	-x		x	x
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E	0.2 -x		x	x

$$K_b = 7.4 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{x^2}{(0.2-x)} \approx \frac{x^2}{(0.2)} \quad x = 0.00385 = [\text{OH}^-]$$
$$[\text{OH}^-] = 0.00385$$
$$\text{p}[\text{OH}^-] = 2.41 \quad \text{pH} = 11.59$$

2mL H₂SO₄ added:

So React base and acid first.

R	2(CH ₃) ₃ N + H ₂ SO ₄	--->	2(CH ₃) ₃ NH ⁺	+ SO ₄ ²⁻
	(.025L) (.2M) (.002L)(0.25M)			
I	.005	.0005	0	0
C	-.001	-.0005	.001	.0005
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F	0.004mol	0	0.001mol	0.0005mol

==> WB + conjugate acidic salt means a Buffer, so use Henderson OR a RICE table

$$\text{pOH} = \text{p}K_b + \log \frac{[\text{conj acid}]}{[\text{WB}]}$$
$$= -\log (7.4 \times 10^{-5}) + \log (.001/.004)^* = 3.53$$
$$\text{pH} = 14 - 3.53 = 10.47$$

*need molarity but .001mol/.027L divided by .004mol/.027L is this same as .001/.004

5.0 mL H₂SO₄ added:

First react base and acid

R	2(CH ₃) ₃ N + H ₂ SO ₄	--->	2(CH ₃) ₃ NH ⁺	+ SO ₄ ²⁻
	(.025L) (.2M) (.005L)(0.25M)			
I	.005	.00125mol	0	0
C	-.00250	-.00125	.00250	.00125
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F	.0025mol	0	.00250mol	.00125mol

==> 1/2 neutral point so pOH = pK_b = 4.13 and pH = 9.87

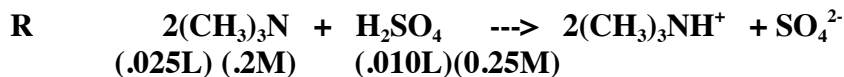
OR WB + conjugate acidic salt means a Buffer, so use Henderson OR a RICE table

$$\text{pOH} = \text{p}K_b + \log \frac{[\text{conj acid}]}{[\text{WB}]}$$
$$= -\log (7.4 \times 10^{-5}) + \log (.0025\text{mol}/.030\text{L divided by } .0025\text{mol}/.030\text{L})^* = 4.13$$
$$\text{pH} = 14 - 4.13 = 9.87$$

* could use (.0025/.0025)

10.0 mL H₂SO₄ added

First react base and acid



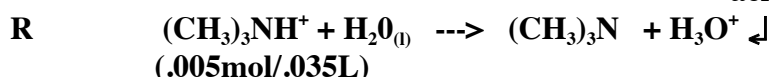
I	.005	.0025mol	0	0
C	-.005	-.0025	.005	.0025

F	0	0	.005mol	.0025mol
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==> Equivalence PT!!!

Find pH of salt.

acidic salt



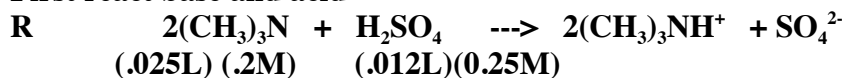
I	0.14 M	0	0
C	-x	x	x

E	0.14 -x	x	x
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$$K_a = K_w/K_b = 1 \text{ e-}14 / 7.4 \text{ e-}5 = 1.35 \text{ e-}10 = x^2/(0.14-x) \approx x^2/(0.14)$$
$$x = 4.35 \text{ e-}6 = [\text{H}^+]$$
$$\text{pH} = 5.36$$

12.0 mL added

First react base and acid



I	.005	.003mol	0	0
C	-.005	-.0025	.005	.0025

F	0	.0005mol	.005mol	.0025mol
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==> Strong Acid and acidic salt in container ==> pH is from strong acid

$$.0005\text{mol H}_2\text{SO}_4 / .037\text{L} = .014 \text{ M H}_2\text{SO}_4$$

strong acid so $[\text{H}^+] = .028 \text{ M}$

$$\text{pH} = -\log .028 \text{ M} = 1.55$$

3. Calculate the K_a of the ammonium ion, given that the K_b of $\text{NH}_3 = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$.

(You may assume 25°C unless otherwise instructed)

$$\text{at } 25^\circ\text{C, } K_w = 1 \times 10^{-14}$$

$$K_w = K_a K_b \text{ (ALWAYS!!!)}$$

$$1 \times 10^{-14} = K_a (1.8 \times 10^{-5})$$

$$K_a = 5.6 \times 10^{-10}$$

4. Calculate the pK_b of the fluoride ion given that the pK_a of hydrofluoric acid is 7.2×10^{-4} .

$$pK_a = -\log(K_a) \rightarrow K_a = 10^{-pK_a} = 10^{-7.2 \times 10^{-4}} = 0.9983 \text{ (don't round quite yet)}$$

$$K_w = K_a K_b = 1.0 \times 10^{-14} = 0.9983 K_b \rightarrow K_b = 1.002 \times 10^{-14}$$

$$pK_b = -\log(K_b) \rightarrow pK_b = 13.9993 \approx 14$$

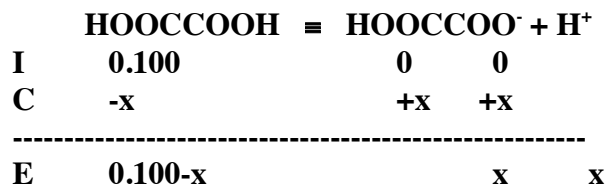
5. Calculate the concentrations of all species present in 0.100 M Oxalic Acid $(COOH)_2$.

$$K_{a1} = 5.9 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$K_{a2} = 6.4 \times 10^{-5}$$

*The first hint that this is a diprotic acid is that you are given 2 K_a 's don't differ by 1000 times
 $(COOH)_2 \rightleftharpoons (COO^-)_2 + H^+$ } Stepwise!!!

First Step:



(note that hundred times rule fails here... quadratic must be solved)

$$K_{a1} = x^2 / (0.100 - x) \quad x = \{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}\} / 2a$$

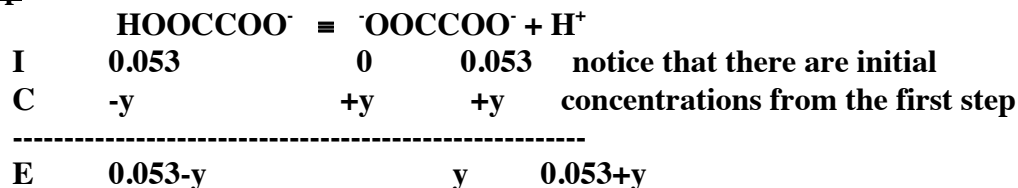
$$x = 0.053 \text{ (and an unphysical root)}$$

from step 1

$$[HOOC-COOH] = 0.100 - 0.053 = 0.047M$$

$$[HOOC-COO^-] = [H^+] = 0.053M$$

Second Step:



(note that hundred times rule fails here... quadratic must be solved)

Notice that the hundred times rule fails here, too... which overcomplicates the problem... so, since

K_a is still relatively small, we will use it, anyway

$$K_{a2} = (0.053+y)y / (0.053-y) \approx 0.053y / 0.053 = y = 6.4 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$[^-OOC-COO^-] = y = 6.4 \times 10^{-5}$$

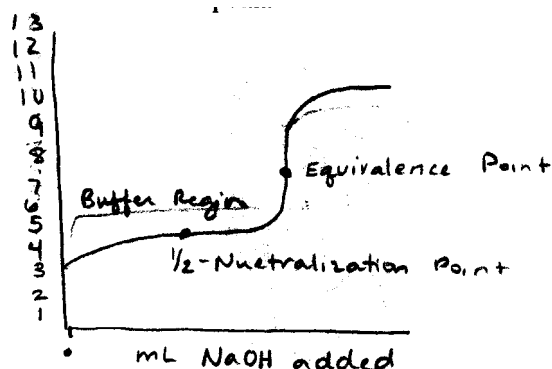
$$[HOOC-COO^-] = 0.053 - y = 0.053 \text{ (to 2 sig figs)}$$

$$[H^+] = 0.053 + y = 0.053 \text{ (to 2 sig figs)}$$

$$[HOOC-COOH] = 0.047M \text{ from step 1}$$

$$pH = -\log[H^+] = -\log[0.053] = 1.28$$

6. Sketch the titration curve for a solution of CH_3COOH titrated with NaOH .
Label the following: Buffer Region, Equivalence Point, the axis (with approximate numbers for the y axis), and Half-neutralization point.



7. Suppose the above titration curve is for 100.0 mL of 0.100 M CH_3COOH titrated with 0.100 M NaOH . Calculate the pH when no NaOH has been added, 20.0 mL NaOH has been added, 50.0 mL NaOH has been added, 75.0 mL NaOH has been added, at equivalence point, and 20.0 mL past equivalence point. (The $K_{\text{a acetic acid}} = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$)

no NaOH added

pH from weak acid only

R	$\text{HC}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2$	\rightleftharpoons	H^+	+	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^-$	
I	0.100M				0	0
C	-x			x	x	
E	0.100 - x			x	x	

$$K_{\text{a}} = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{x^2}{(0.100-x)} \approx \frac{x^2}{(0.100)} \quad x = 0.0013 = [\text{H}^+]$$

$$\text{pH} = 2.87$$

20mL NaOH added:

So React base and acid first.

R	$\text{HC}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2$	+	NaOH	\rightarrow	$\text{Na C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2$	+	$\text{H}_2\text{O} (l)$
	(0.1000L) (.100M)		(.020L)(0.100M)				
I	.010mol		.002		0		0
C	-.002		-.002		.002		.002
F	0.008mol		0		0.002mol		0.002mol

\Rightarrow WA + conjugate basic salt means a Buffer, so use Henderson OR a RICE table

$$\text{pH} = \text{p}K_{\text{a}} + \log \left[\frac{[\text{conj base}]}{[\text{WA}]} \right]$$

$$= -\log (1.8 \times 10^{-5}) + \log (.002/.008)^* = 4.14$$

*need molarity but .002mol/.120L divided by .008mol/.120L is this same as .002/.008

50.0 mL NaOH added:

First react base and acid

R	HC ₂ H ₃ O ₂ (0.1000L) (.100M)	+	NaOH (.050L)(0.100M)	--->	Na C ₂ H ₃ O ₂ +	H ₂ O (l)
I	.010mol		.0050		0	0
C	-.0050		-.0050	.	.0050	.0050
F	0.0050mol		0		0.0050mol	0.0050mol

==> 1/2 neutral point so pH = pK_a = 4.74

OR WA + conjugate basic salt means a Buffer, so use Henderson OR a RICE table

$$\text{pH} = \text{pk}_a + \log [\text{conj base}]/[\text{WA}]$$

$$= -\log (1.8 \text{ e-}5) + \log (.005\text{mol}/.150\text{L divided by } .005\text{mol}/.150\text{L})^* = 4.74$$

* could use (.005/.005)

75.0 mL NaOH added:

First react base and acid

R	HC ₂ H ₃ O ₂ (0.1000L) (.100M)	+	NaOH (.075L)(0.100M)	--->	Na C ₂ H ₃ O ₂ +	H ₂ O (l)
I	.010mol		.0075		0	0
C	-.0075		-.0075	.	.0075	.0075
F	0.0025mol		0		0.0075mol	0.0075mol

==> WA + conjugate basic salt means a Buffer, so use Henderson OR a RICE table

$$\text{pH} = \text{pk}_a + \log [\text{conj base}]/[\text{WA}]$$

$$= -\log (1.8 \text{ e-}5) + \log (.0075\text{mol}/.175\text{L divided by } .0025\text{mol}/.175\text{L})^* = 5.22$$

* could use (.0075/.0025)

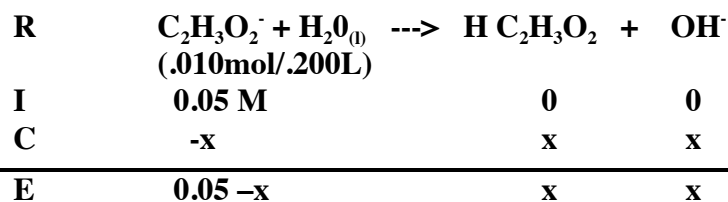
At Equivalence Point:

Only salt exists; all acid and base reacted. 0.010 mol of acid; so 0.010 mol of salt

R	HC ₂ H ₃ O ₂ (0.100L) (.100M)	+	NaOH by def mols needed acid so (.100M)(.100L)	--->	Na C ₂ H ₃ O ₂ +	H ₂ O (l)
I	.010mol		0.10		0	
C	-.010		-.010	.	.010	
F	0	0			0.010mol	

==> Equivalence PT!!!

Find pH of salt (basic salt)

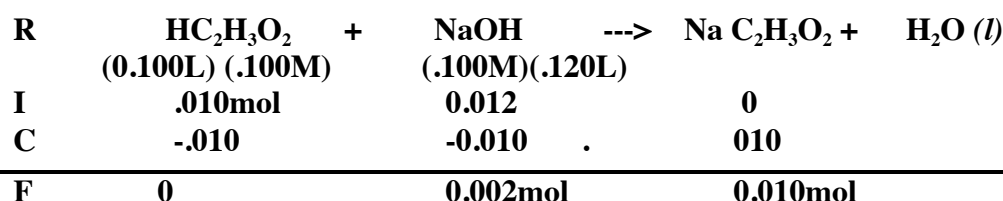


$$k_a = k_w/k_b = 1 \text{ e-}14 / 1.8 \text{ e-}5 = 5.56 \text{ e-}10 = x^2/(0.05-x) \approx x^2/(0.05)$$

$$x = 5.3 \text{ e-}6 = [OH^-]$$

$$pOH = 5.28 \quad pH = 14 - 5.28 = 8.72$$

At 20.0 mL Past Equivalence Point:
First react base and acid



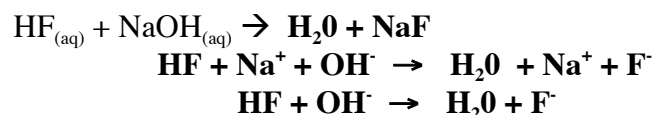
==> Strong Base and basic salt in container ==> pH is from strong base
.002 mol NaOH/ .220 L = .0091 M NaOH
strong base so $[OH^-] = .0091 \text{ M}$
 $pOH = -\log .0091 \text{ M} = 2.04$ $pH = 14 - 2.04 = 11.96$

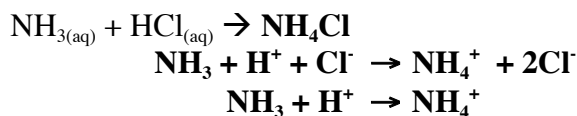
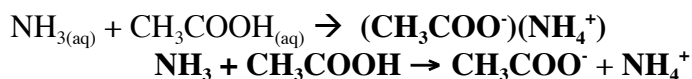
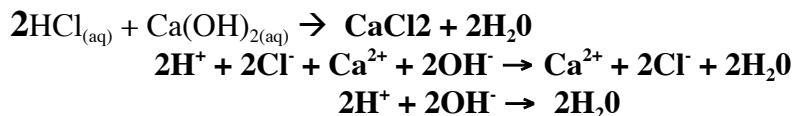
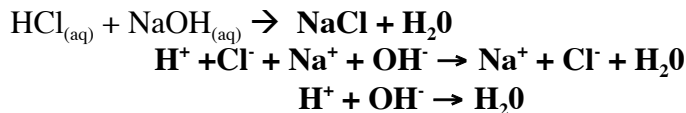
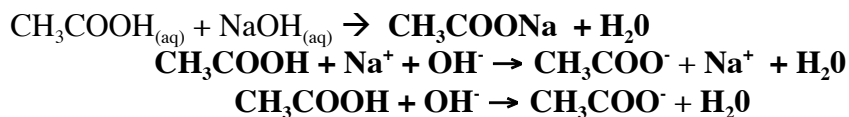
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Titration Data for 100.0 mL of 0.100 M CH_3COOH with 0.100 M NaOH

mL 0.100 M NaOH added	mmol Base Added	mmol Excess Acid or Base	pH
0.0	0	10.0 CH_3COOH	2.89
20.0	2	8.00	4.14
50.0	5	5.00	4.74
75.0	7.5	2.50	5.22
90.0	9	1.00	5.7
95.0	9.5	0.50	6.02
99.0	9.9	0.10	6.74
100.0	10	0 (Equivalence Point)	8.72
101.0	10.1	0.1 OH^-	10.7
110.0	11	1.00	11.68
120.0	12	2.00	11.96

8. Give the Net Ionic Equations for the following:





9. You have 70.0 mL of 0.065 M acetic acid. You then add 0.015 g of Sodium Acetate. You then measure the pH to be 2.2. Calculate $[\text{H}^+]$, $[\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^-]$, and $[\text{HC}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2]$ of the final solution.

$$[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-2.2} = 0.0063\text{M}$$

	$\text{HC}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2$	\leftrightarrow	H^+	+	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^-$	
					[.015g (1mol/ 82.4g)]/ 0.070 L= 0.0026M	
I	0.065		0		0.0026M (salt)	
C	-0.0063M		+0.0063M		+0.0063M	

E	0.059M		0.0063M		0.0089M	

$$[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}] = [\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}]_0 - [\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}]_{\text{dissociated}} = 0.065 - 0.0063 = 0.059\text{M}$$

$$= [\text{H}^+]$$

$$[\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-] = [\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-]_{\text{dissoc. from CH}_3\text{COOH}} + [\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-]_{\text{from salt (soluble salt)}} = 0.0063 + 0.0026 = 0.0089\text{M}$$

$$= [\text{H}^+]$$

10. Solve (without a calculator):

$$\ln(AB) = \ln(A) + \ln(B)$$

$$\ln(A/B) = \ln(A) - \ln(B)$$

$$\ln(AB^N) = \ln(A) + \ln(B^N) = \ln(A) + N\ln(B)$$

$$\ln(1) = 0 \quad \text{Think of } \ln(1) = \ln(A/A) = \ln(A) - \ln(A) = 0$$

11. Solve for x (with a calculator if necessary):

$$\ln(1/2) = x \quad \mathbf{x = -0.693}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln(x) = -5 & \quad \mathbf{e^{\ln(x)} = e^{(-5)}} \\ & \quad \mathbf{x = e^{(-5)} = 0.0067} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -\ln(3x) = 4 & \quad \mathbf{-\ln(3x) = 4} \\ & \quad \mathbf{e^{\ln(3x)} = e^{(-4)}} \\ & \quad \mathbf{3x = e^{(-4)}} \\ & \quad \mathbf{x = 1/3 e^{(-4)} = 0.0061} \end{aligned}$$