

**WORKSHEET: SOLUTION EQUILIBRIUM** (Weak acids and bases, buffers, Polyprotic acids, and Hydrolysis.)

**SET A:**

1. 40.00 ml of 0.350 M  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2$  is titrated with 0.280 M HCl until the end point is reached . Calculate the pH of the solution at the end point. (  $K_b$  for  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2= 5.0 \times 10^{-4}$  )

Setup:

Answer: 5.74

2. How many moles of  $\text{HNO}_2$  must be added to a 1.00 liter of 0.370 M  $\text{NaNO}_2$  to give a buffer of  $\text{pH} = 4.20$ ? (Ignore any volume change due to the addition of  $\text{HNO}_2$ ) ( $K_a$  for  $\text{HNO}_2$  is  $4.5 \times 10^{-4}$ ).  
Setup:

Answer: 0.052 moles

3. a. Is  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  (aq) acidic, basic, or neutral? You must show your work to justify your answer. ( $K_{a1}$  for  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3 = 4.3 \times 10^{-7}$ ,  $K_{a2}$  for  $\text{HCO}_3^- = 4.8 \times 10^{-11}$ )  
Setup:

Answer:  $K_b$  for  $\text{HCO}_3^-$  is larger than  $K_{a2}$  for  $\text{HCO}_3^-$ ;  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  (aq) is basic.

b. Is  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  (aq) a buffer? (You must show your work to prove that your answer is not a guess.)  
Setup:

Answer: Yes

4. How many moles of NaOH must be added to a 1.00 liter of 0.230 M benzoic acid,  $\text{HC}_7\text{H}_5\text{O}_2$ , to produce a solution of  $\text{pH} = 4.50$ ? ( $K_a$  for  $\text{HC}_7\text{H}_5\text{O}_2 = 6.3 \times 10^{-5}$ )  
Setup:

Answer: 0.15 mole

5. The  $[\text{S}^{2-}]$  concentration of a 0.150 M  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  is adjusted to a value of  $4.18 \times 10^{-8}$  moles/liter. What is the  $[\text{H}^+]$  concentration?  
( $K_{a1}$  for  $\text{H}_2\text{S} = 8.9 \times 10^{-8}$ ,  $K_{a2}$  for  $\text{HS}^-$  is  $1.2 \times 10^{-13}$ )  
Setup:

Answer:  $1.9 \times 10^{-7}$  M

6. What is the  $[H^+]$  concentration of a solution made by adding 35.00 ml of 0.660 M  $C_6H_5NH_2$  to 40.00 ml of 0.420 M HCl? ( $K_b$  for  $C_6H_5NH_2$  is  $4.6 \times 10^{-7}$ )  
Setup:

Answer:  $5.9 \times 10^{-8}$  M

7. Predict whether the following solutions are acidic, basic, or neutral. Write the equilibrium equations, and all calculations if needed, to justify your answer. ( $K_b$  for  $\text{NH}_3$  is  $1.8 \times 10^{-5}$ ,

$K_a$  for  $\text{HClO}$  is  $3.5 \times 10^{-8}$ )

a.  $\text{NH}_4\text{ClO}$

Setup:

Answer:  $K_b$  for  $\text{ClO}^- > K_a$  for  $\text{NH}_4^+$ , Basic

b.  $\text{NaNO}_2$

Setup:

Answer: Basic

c.  $\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_3)_3$

Setup:

Answer: Acidic

### **SET B:**

1. How many moles of  $\text{HCHO}_2$  must be added to a 1.00 liter of 0.400 M  $\text{NaCHO}_2$  to give a buffer of pH=3.60? Ignore any volume change due to the addition of  $\text{HCHO}_2$ . ( $K_a$  for  $\text{HCHO}_2=1.8 \times 10^{-4}$ )

Setup:

Answer: 0.55 mole

2. a. Is  $\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_4$  (aq) a buffer? You must show your work to prove that your answer is not a guess.  
Setup:

Answer: Yes

b. Is  $\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_4$  acidic, basic, or neutral? You must show your work to justify your answer.  
 $K_{a3}$  for  $\text{HPO}_4^{2-}$  is  $1.00 \times 10^{-12}$ ,  $K_{a2}$  for  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$  is  $6.2 \times 10^{-8}$   
Setup:

Answer:  $K_b$  (for  $\text{HPO}_4^{2-}$ ) >  $K_{a3}$  (for  $\text{HPO}_4^{2-}$ ), Basic

3. What is the  $[\text{H}^+]$  concentration of a solution made by titrating 30.00 ml of 0.7200 M  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{NH}_2$  with 0.2500 M HCl until the equivalence point is reached?  $K_b$  for  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{NH}_2$  is  $4.6 \times 10^{-7}$ .  
Setup:

Answer:  $6.4 \times 10^{-5}$

4. Predict whether each of the following solutions is acidic, basic, or neutral. Write the equilibrium equations, and all calculations if needed, to justify your answer.  $K_b$  for  $\text{NH}_3 = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$ ,  $K_a$  for  $\text{HCHO}_2$  is  $1.8 \times 10^{-4}$ .

a.  $\text{NH}_4\text{CHO}_2$

Setup:

Answer:  $K_a$  (for  $\text{NH}_4^+$ ) >  $K_b$  (for  $\text{CHO}_2^-$ ) , Acidic

b.  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}$

Setup:

Answer: Basic

c.  $\text{Cr}(\text{NO}_3)_3$

Setup:

Answer: Acidic

5. The  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6\text{O}_6^{2-}$ , ascorbate ion, concentration of a 0.270 M ascorbic acid, is adjusted to a value of  $8.5 \times 10^{-8}$  mole/liter. What is the  $[\text{H}^+]$  concentration?  $K_{a1}$  for  $\text{H}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_6\text{O}_6$  is  $7.9 \times 10^{-5}$  and  $K_{a2}$  for  $\text{HC}_6\text{H}_6\text{O}_6^-$  is  $1.6 \times 10^{-12}$ .

Setup:

Answer:  $2.0 \times 10^{-5}$  M

6. How many moles of NaOH should be added to a 1.00 liter of 0.190 M  $\text{HNO}_2$  to produce a solution of  $\text{pH} = 4.80$ ? Assume there is no change in volume upon the addition of NaOH.  $K_a$  for  $\text{HNO}_2$  is  $4.5 \times 10^{-4}$ .  
Setup:

Answer: 0.18 mole

7) What is the pH of a solution made by mixing 25.00 ml of 0.440 M  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{Cl}$  and 37.00 ml of 0.200 M  $\text{NaOH}$ ?  $K_b$  for  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2$  is  $5.0 \times 10^{-4}$ .  
Setup:

Answer: pH= 11.00

**SET C:**

1. The oxalate ion concentration,  $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$ , of 0.20 M  $\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$  is adjusted to a value of  $3.00 \times 10^{-3}$  M. What is the  $[\text{H}^+]$  ion concentration in the solution?  $K_{a1}$  for  $\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$  is  $5.6 \times 10^{-2}$  and  $K_{a2}$  for  $\text{HC}_2\text{O}_4^-$  is  $5.1 \times 10^{-5}$ .  
Setup:

Answer:  $1.4 \times 10^{-2}$  M

2. Predict whether each of the following solutions is acidic, basic, or neutral. Write the equilibrium equations, and all calculations if needed, to justify your answer.  $K_b$  for  $\text{NH}_3$  is  $1.8 \times 10^{-5}$ ,  $K_a$  for  $\text{HClO}$  is  $3.5 \times 10^{-8}$ .

- a.  $\text{NH}_4\text{ClO}$   
Setup:

Answer:  $K_b$  for  $\text{ClO}^- > K_a$  for  $\text{NH}_4^+$ . Basic

- b.  $\text{KCNO}$   
Setup:

Answer: Basic

- c.  $\text{Ni}(\text{ClO}_4)_3$   
Setup:

Answer: Acidic

3. What is the pH at the equivalence point when 27.0 ml of 0.200 M  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2$  are titrated with 0.350 M HCl?  
 $K_b$  for  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2$  is  $4.4 \times 10^{-4}$ .  
Setup:

Answer: 5.76

4. How many ml of 0.250 M HF (aq) must be added to 500.0 ml of 0.300 M NaF to give a buffer of pH= 3.50?  $K_a$  for HF is  $6.8 \times 10^{-4}$ .  
Setup:

Answer: 282 ml

5. Find the pH of a solution made by mixing 25.0 ml of 0.0650 M benzylamine,  $C_7H_7NH_2$ , and 13.9 ml of 0.0500 M HCl.  $K_b$  for  $C_7H_7NH_2$  is  $4.7 \times 10^{-10}$  .  
Setup:

Answer: 4.80

6. A chemist wants to prepare a buffer of  $\text{pH} = 4.35$ . How many milliliters of  $0.455 \text{ M}$  acetic acid must be added to  $465 \text{ ml}$  of  $0.0941 \text{ M}$   $\text{NaOH}$  solution to obtain such a buffer?  $K_a$  for  $\text{HC}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2$  is  $1.7 \times 10^{-5}$ .  
Setup:

Answer: 351 ml

7. a. Is  $\text{NaHC}_2\text{O}_4$  (aq) a buffer? You must show your work to prove that your answer is not a guess.  
Setup:

Answer: Yes

b. Is  $\text{NaHC}_2\text{O}_4$  (aq) acidic, basic, or neutral?  $K_{a1}$  for  $\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$  is  $5.6 \times 10^{-2}$ ,  
 $K_{a2}$  for  $\text{HC}_2\text{O}_4^-$  is  $5.1 \times 10^{-5}$ . You must show your work to justify your answer.  
Setup:

Answer:  $K_{a2}$  for  $\text{HC}_2\text{O}_4^- > K_b$  for  $\text{HC}_2\text{O}_4^-$ , Acidic

