

Worksheet: Buffer

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1. Define : Buffer solution

A solution that has the ability to resist changes in pH upon the addition of small amounts of either acid or base.

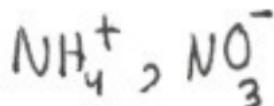
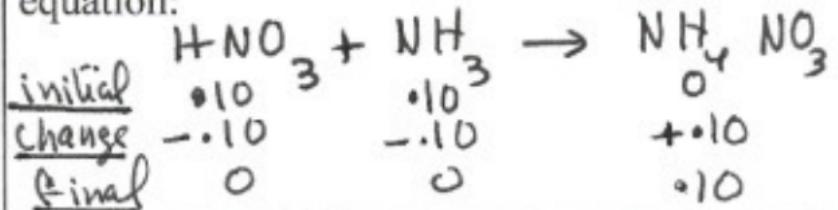
2. How will the pH of a buffer solution change if we add a small amount of water?

(increase, decrease, or remain the same)

3. Consider the table given below, write a **balanced** chemical equation for any reaction taking place between solute particles. Then write the formulas of the **major** particles present (just as you would for a net-ionic equation) in each of the following solutions below. Decide on which of the solutions below would show a buffer action.

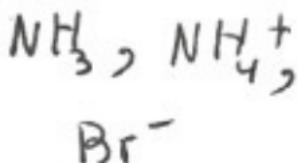
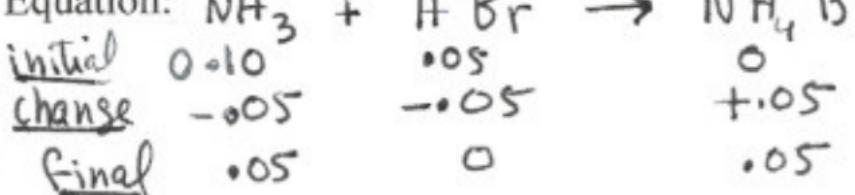
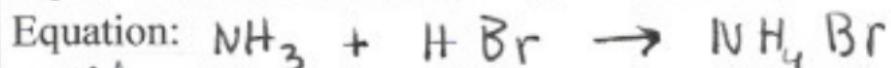
	Particles present	Is it a buffer? (Yes or No)
Na ₂ SO ₃	Na ⁺ , SO ₃ ²⁻	NO
KHSO ₄	K ⁺ , HSO ₄ ⁻	NO
NaF	Na ⁺ , F ⁻	NO
Equal volumes of <u>0.10 M</u> HCN and <u>0.05 M</u> NaOH <u>Equation:</u> HCN + NaOH → Na ⁺ CN ⁻ + H ₂ O <u>Initial</u> 0.10 0.05 0 <u>Change</u> -0.05 -0.05 +0.05 <u>Final</u> 0.05 0 0.05	HCN Na ⁺ , CN ⁻	yes
Equal volumes of <u>0.10 M</u> NaOH and <u>0.05 M</u> H ₂ CO ₃ <u>Equation:</u> 2NaOH + H ₂ CO ₃ → Na ₂ CO ₃ + H ₂ O <u>Initial</u> 0.10 0.05 0 <u>Change</u> -0.10 -0.05 +0.05 <u>Final</u> 0 0 0.05	Na ⁺ , CO ₃ ²⁻	NO
NaHS	Na ⁺ , HS ⁻	yes

Equal volumes of 0.10 M HNO₃ and 0.10 M NH₃ (aq)
equation:



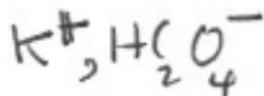
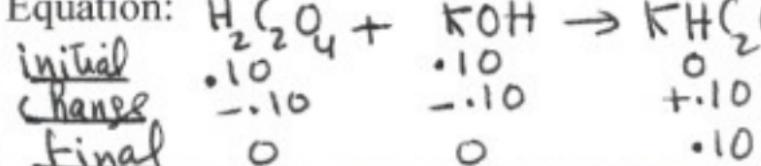
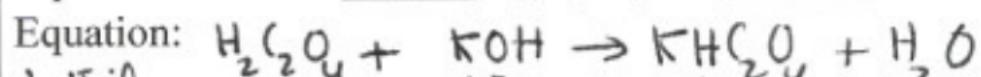
NO

Equal volumes of 0.10 M NH₃ and 0.05 M HBr



yes

Equal volumes of 0.10 M H₂C₂O₄ and 0.10 M KOH



yes