

# UNIT6-DAY6-LaB1230pm

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## Thinking Like a Chemist About Acids and Bases

Part IV

UNIT 6 DAY 6

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What are we going to learn today?

Apply the principles of Chemical Equilibrium  
to mixtures of Conjugate Acid Base Pairs

Predict the pH of such solutions  
Predict the pH of such solutions after stressing the  
system

Explore the concept of a Buffer solution

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

LM22 - Buffers due Th 9AM

~~LM23 - Protonation &  $pK_a$  due Th 9AM~~

Extra Practice Worksheets on Website

HW6 → Due Thurs 9am

LM21 → Due Wed 9am (maybe)

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Quiz: Clicker Question 1

The pH of a solution of a soluble salt will be:

- A) Neutral
- B) Basic
- C) Acidic
- D) Any of the above, depends on the salt

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Quiz: Clicker Question 2

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0.15 M HF; given the  $K_a = 7.2 \times 10^{-4}$

- A) 2.0
- B) 4.0

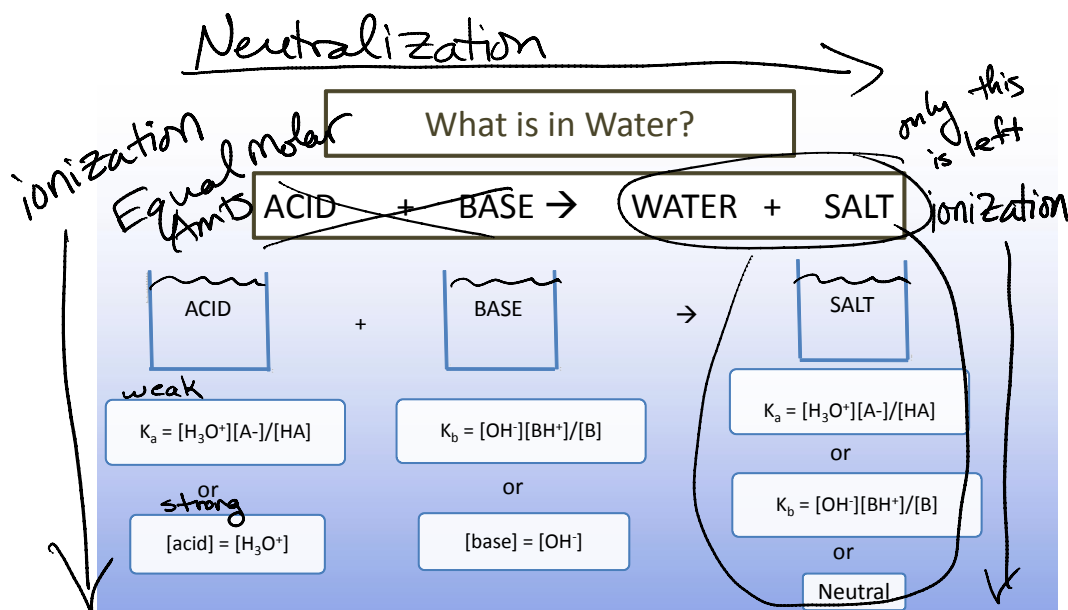
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- C) 7.0
- D) 9.0
- E) 12.0

Quiz: Clicker Question 3

2. Calculate the pH of the following solution,  
0.15 M NaF,  
given the  $K_a$  of HF =  $K_a = 7.2 \times 10^{-4}$

- A) 2.0
- B) 5.9 = pOH
- C) 7.0
- D) 8.1 = pH
- E) 12.0



$K_a = [H_3O^+][A^-]/[HA]$       or       $K_b = [OH^-][BH^+]/[B]$   
 or      or  
 $[acid] = [H_3O^+]$        $[base] = [OH^-]$       or       $K_b = [OH^-][BH^+]/[B]$   
 or  
 Neutral

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Neutralization →

What is in Water?

Excess ACID + BASE → WATER + SALT

ionization ↓

ACID      +      ~~BASE~~      →      SALT  
 Acid

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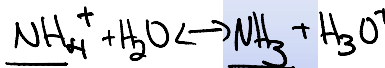
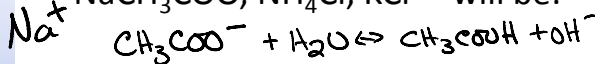
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Poll: Clicker Question 4

pH of salt in water

The pH of a 0.1 M aqueous solutions of the salts

NaCH<sub>3</sub>COO, NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, KCl will be:

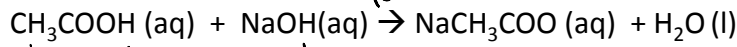


- A) Neutral, Neutral, Neutral
- B) Basic, Acidic, Neutral**
- C) Acidic, Neutral, Basic
- D) Basic, Neutral, Acidic
- E) Acidic, Basic, Neutral

Strong Acids & Strong Bases ⇒ No Ka or Kb

conjugate acid partner of common weak base

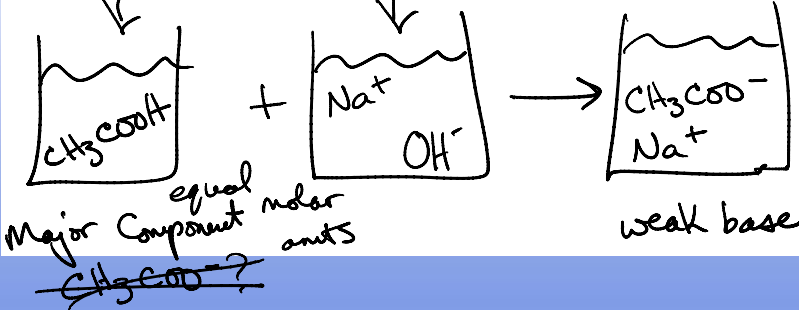
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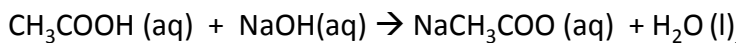
weak acid strong base

What are the major species in solution as a result of mixing:

100 mL 0.1 M CH<sub>3</sub>COOH + 100 mL 0.1 M NaOH

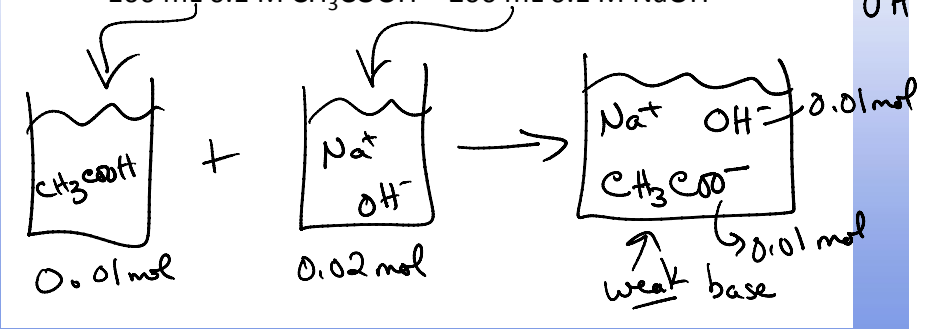


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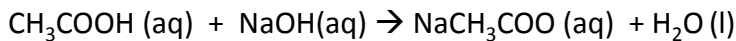


What are the major species in solution as a result of mixing:  
100 mL 0.1 M CH<sub>3</sub>COOH + 200 mL 0.1 M NaOH

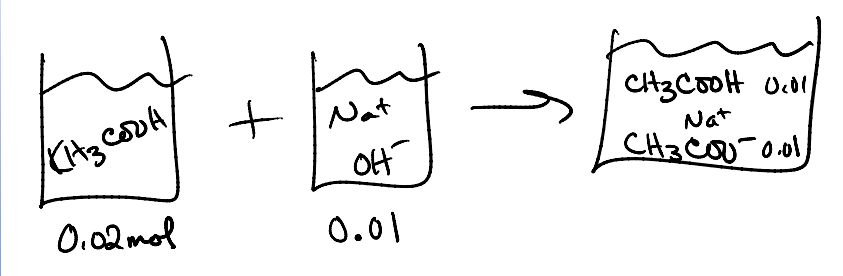
*What dominates pH?  
OH<sup>-</sup>!*



What are the components?



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200 mL 0.1 M CH<sub>3</sub>COOH + 100 mL 0.1 M NaOH



How would you determine the pH?

*Neutralization*

$$\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} + \text{NaOH} \rightarrow \text{NaCH}_3\text{COO} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$$

|   |          |       |              |                           |
|---|----------|-------|--------------|---------------------------|
| I | 0.02 mol | 0.01  | <del>0</del> | <i>CH<sub>3</sub>COOH</i> |
| r | -0.01    | -0.01 | +0.01        |                           |

|   |          |       |          |                                                      |
|---|----------|-------|----------|------------------------------------------------------|
| I | 0.02 mol | 0.01  | ∅        | $\text{H}_3\text{COOH}$<br>$\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-$ |
| C | -0.01    | -0.01 | +0.01    |                                                      |
| E | 0.01 mol | ∅     | 0.01 mol |                                                      |
|   | 0.033 M  |       | 0.033 M  | Vol = 300 ml                                         |

Ionization

|   |                                                                                                              |         |       |
|---|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-------|
|   | $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \leftrightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^- + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ |         |       |
| I | 0.033                                                                                                        |         | 0.033 |
| C | -x                                                                                                           | +x      | +x    |
| E | 0.033-x                                                                                                      | 0.033+x | x     |

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$$K_a = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-]}{[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}]} = \frac{(x)(0.033+x)}{(0.033-x)}$$

What about x? Now w/ common ion  
 x will be VERY small

$$1.8 \times 10^{-5} \approx \frac{x(0.033)}{(0.033)}$$

$$1.8 \times 10^{-5} = x = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = K_a$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log(1.8 \times 10^{-5}) = -\log(K_a) = \text{p}K_a = 4.74$$

### Common Ion Effect

$$\% \text{ ionization} = \frac{\text{amount ionized}}{\text{amt initial}} \times 100\%$$

The % of ionization is suppressed in the presence of a common ion....Le Chatelier's Principle

|                                |                                            |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| ? % ionization                 | ? % ionization                             |
| 0.1 M $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ | 0.1 M $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ solution    |
|                                | containing 0.1 M $\text{NaCH}_3\text{COO}$ |

pH = 2.87

$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 0.00135 \text{ M}$

$\% \text{ ionization} = \frac{0.00135 \text{ M}}{0.1 \text{ M}} \times 100\% = 1.35\%$   
 mostly  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$

pH = 4.74

$\frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]}{C_a} = \frac{1.8 \times 10^{-5}}{0.1} \times 100\% = 0.018\%$

Can ignore the "x"

Fully describe:  
Weak Base + Strong Acid  
reaction with resulting salt solution

Write the chemical reaction and calculate the pH when a 200 mL 0.1 M solution of ammonia is mixed with a 100 mL 0.1 M solution of hydrochloric acid. (this is an example of what you should have mastered by now. If not, take this problem to a TA or Tutor)

Before you do the calculation you should be able to predict if the resulting solution would be:

- A) Neutral
- B) Basic
- C) Acidic



Look at a DEMO

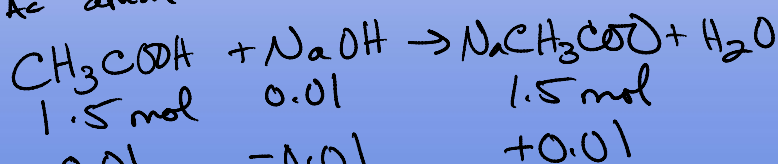
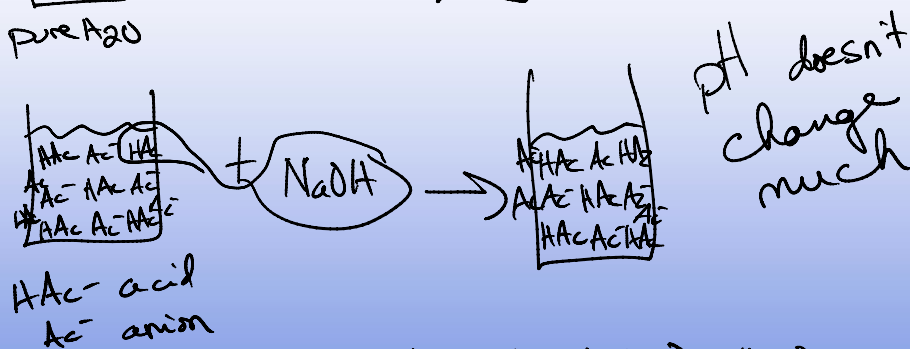
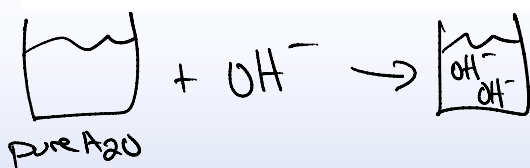
Add a little NaOH to pure water and see what happens!

Add a little NaOH to a 1:1 mixture of acetic acid and sodium acetate and see what happens!

What is the difference?

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Write down the neutralization reaction for the demo



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1.49 mol      ∅      1.51 mol

Because the pH changed very little it is called a buffer solution.

most buffers made w/ conj acid / base pairs

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conj acid  
base pairs

Buffer- a solution in which the pH resists change when a strong acid or base is added

Buffers can be acidic

Buffers can be basic

} Depends on conj acid/base pair

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Because the pH changed very little it is called a buffer solution.

What happens if we keep adding NaOH to the solution.....

eventually neutralize all the acid  
excess NaOH w/ weak base

"exhaust" buffer

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Calculate the pH of buffer solution

Derive a shortcut formula

$$-\log \left( K_a = \frac{[H_3O^+][A^-]}{[HA]} \right)$$

$$-\log K_a = -\log [H_3O^+] - \log \frac{[A^-]}{[HA]} \quad \leftarrow \text{at equilibrium}$$

*Handwritten notes:* Henderson Hasselbalch  $pK_a = pH - \log \frac{[A^-]_0}{[HA]_0} = \text{assume these are initial concentrations DUE to common ion effect}$

$$pH = pK_a + \log \frac{[A^-]_0}{[HA]_0}$$

Pick a formula to memorize or derive

$$pK_a = pH - \log \frac{[A^-]_0}{[HA]_0}$$

*Handwritten notes:* initial conjugate base (pointing to  $[A^-]_0$ ), initial weak acid (pointing to  $[HA]_0$ )

$$-pK_a = pH - \log \frac{[A^-]_0}{[HA]_0}$$

initial weak acid

$$pH = pK_a + \log \frac{[A^-]}{[HA]}$$

- When the initial acid and base are similar in concentration then the pH is close to the pKa

For the pH to be 1 unit different than the pKa the difference in concentrations must be at least 10 X!

$$pOH = pK_b + \log \frac{[BH^+]}{[B]}$$

Poll: Clicker Question 6

The  $pK_a$  of HF is 3.18. What is the pH of solution of 100 mL of 0.1 M HF and 100 mL of a 0.2 M NaF?

More Base

$$pH = pK_a + \log \frac{[A^-]}{[HA]}$$

- A. slightly less than 3.18
- B. 3.18 need equal concentrations, which we don't have
- C. slightly more than 3.18

## Calculate the pH of a buffer system

Calculate the pH of a buffer solution that is 0.15 M  $\text{HNO}_2(\text{aq})$  and 0.2 M  $\text{NaNO}_2$ .

## Calculate pH using Henderson-Hasselbalch

Calculate the pH of a buffer solution that is 0.15 M  $\text{HNO}_2(\text{aq})$  and 0.2 M  $\text{NaNO}_2$ .  
(same as previous example)

## Select buffer composition for desired pH

- Calculate the ratio of the molarities of acetate ions and acetic acid needed to buffer a solution at pH=5.25. The  $pK_a$  of  $CH_3COOH$  is 4.75.

What did we learn today?

Weak acids or bases have limited ionization in the presence of a common ion.

Substantial amounts of conjugate acid base pairs, together in solution resist change in pH.

This effect is called buffering.

When  $[HA] = [A^-]$ , the  $pK_a = pH$  of that solution.

When  $[B] = [BH^+]$ , the  $pK_b = pOH$  of that solution.

## Learning Outcomes

Understand the concept of a buffer, buffer capacity and buffering range.

Calculate the pH of a buffer solution.

Show mastery of the Henderson-Hasselbalch equation

Calculate the pH of a buffer solution after the addition of a strong acid or strong base.