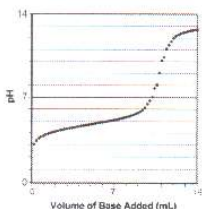


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## STATION 1: INITIAL pH

"STANDARD ICE BOX PROBLEM"



In this Review, we will walk ourselves through the calculations needed to sketch the Titration Curve for a weak acid titrated with a strong base.

Acetic acid, is often abbreviated as HAc..  $K_a$  acetic acid =  $1.8 \times 10^{-5}$   
 SHOW YOUR WORK FOR EACH STEP.

What is the pH of a 0.15 M solution of HAc?

$$\text{HAc} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{Ac}^-$$

I	0.15 M	0 M	0 M
C	-x	+x	+x
E	(0.15-x)	x	x

Assume  $x \ll 0.15$   
 $\therefore (0.15-x) \approx (0.15)$

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{Ac}^-]}{[\text{HAc}]} = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$= \frac{x^2}{(0.15)} = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$x = [\text{H}^+] = \sqrt{(0.15)(1.8 \times 10^{-5})}$$

$$= \sqrt{2.7 \times 10^{-6}}$$

$$= 1.64 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log [\text{H}^+] = \boxed{2.78}$$

Plot this point on your Titration Curve (Station 9). (mL KOH = 0 mL, pH = 2.78)

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## STATION 2: VM = VM

The acid is titrated with a 0.10 M solution of KOH.

Calculate the volume of base needed to neutralize a 10. mL sample of the 0.15 M HAc.

$$V \cdot M = V \cdot M$$

$$\frac{(10. \text{mL})(0.15 \text{ M})}{0.10 \text{ M}} = \frac{x(0.10 \text{ M})}{0.10 \text{ M}}$$

$$\boxed{x = 15. \text{ mL KOH}}$$

Note that this is the volume of base at the equivalence point on your titration curve.

Use with Station 4 to plot point.

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### STATION 3: EQUIVALENCE POINT CHEMICALS

- a) Write the balanced **net** equation for the neutralization of HAc by KOH:



- b) What chemicals are in the flask at the endpoint (equivalence point) of this titration?



- c) How many moles of HAc are in the 10. mL of 0.15 M HAc that you used for the titration?

$$(0.010 \text{ L})(0.15 \text{ M HAc}) = 0.0015 \text{ mol HAc} \quad \text{* NOTE THIS ANSWER IS USED MULTIPLE TIMES.}$$

- d) How many **moles** of  $\text{Ac}^-$  are in the flask at the equivalence point?

$$\text{*} \text{* moles } \text{Ac}^- = \text{moles HAc initially} = \boxed{0.0015 \text{ mol Ac}^-}$$

- e) What is the total volume of solution (in Liters) at the equivalence point?

$$25 \text{ mL} = 0.025 \text{ L} \quad (10. \text{ mL Acid} + 15 \text{ mL base})$$

- f) What is the **concentration** of  $\text{Ac}^-$  at the equivalence point?  $[\text{Ac}^-] =$

$$\frac{0.0015 \text{ mol Ac}^-}{0.025 \text{ L}} = \boxed{0.060 \text{ M Ac}^-}$$

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### STATION 4: pH AT EQUIVALENCE POINT

Calculate the pH of a solution with the  $[\text{Ac}^-]$  from Station 3.  $K_a$  of HAc =  $1.8 \times 10^{-5}$  "STANDARD ICE BOX PROBLEM"

$$\text{Ac}^- + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{HAc} + \text{OH}^-$$

I	0.060 M	0 M	0 M
C	-x	+x	+x
E	(.060-x)	x	x

Assume  $x \ll .060$   
 $\therefore (.060 - x) \approx (.060)$

$$K_b = \frac{K_w}{K_a} = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-14}}{1.8 \times 10^{-5}} = 5.55 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$= \frac{[\text{HAc}][\text{OH}^-]}{[\text{Ac}^-]} = 5.55 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$= \frac{x^2}{.060}$$

$$x = [\text{OH}^-] = \sqrt{(.060)(5.55 \times 10^{-10})}$$

$$= 5.77 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\text{pOH} = -\log [\text{OH}^-] = 5.23856$$

$$\text{pH} = 14 - \text{pOH}$$

$$= \boxed{8.76}$$

EQUIVALENCE POINT PLOTTED at (15 mL, 8.76)

Plot the pH at the equivalence point on your titration curve using the info from Stations 2 and 4.

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## STATION 5: HALF-WAY TO EQUIVALENCE POINT

- What volume of base is half-way to the equivalence point? 7.5 mL
- What do you know about the pH half-way to the equivalence point?  $\text{pH} = \text{p}K_a$
- What is the pH half-way to the equivalence point? 4.74  $-\log(1.8 \times 10^{-5}) = 4.74$
- Plot this third point on your titration curve (Station 9).

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## STATION 6: BEFORE HALF-WAY

When 6.5 mL of KOH has been added to the solution:

- How many moles of HAc are in 10. mL of 0.15 M HAc?  $(0.010 \text{ L})(0.15 \text{ M}) = 0.0015 \text{ mol}$
- How many moles of OH<sup>-</sup> are in 6.5 mL of 0.10 M KOH?  $(0.0065 \text{ L})(0.10 \text{ M}) = 0.00065 \text{ mol}$
- What is the total volume (in Liters)?  $16.5 \text{ mL} = 0.0165 \text{ L}$
- Fill in this NEUTRALIZATION chart using Molarities

HAc	+ OH <sup>-</sup>	→ H <sub>2</sub> O(l)	+ Ac <sup>-</sup>
$\frac{0.0015 \text{ mol}}{0.0165 \text{ L}} = 0.0909 \text{ M}$	$\frac{0.00065 \text{ mol}}{0.0165 \text{ L}} = 0.0394 \text{ M}$	0	0 M
- 0.0394	- 0.0394		+ 0.0394
<u>0.0515 M</u>	0		<u>0.0394 M</u>

- Fill in this EQUILIBRIUM chart:

HAc	+ H <sub>2</sub> O(l)	⇌ H <sub>3</sub> O <sup>+</sup>	+ Ac <sup>-</sup>
<u>0.0515 M</u>		0	<u>0.0394 M</u>
-x		+x	+x
<u>0.0515 - x</u>		x	<u>0.0394 + x</u>

Assume  $x \ll 0.0394 \therefore (0.0515 - x) \approx (0.0515)$  &  $(0.0394 + x) \approx (0.0394)$

- Write the equilibrium expression for HAc.  
Substitute the equilibrium values into the expression and compute the [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>] concentration and pH.

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{Ac}^-]}{[\text{HAc}]} = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{(x)(0.0394)}{(0.0515)}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = x = \frac{(1.8 \times 10^{-5})(0.0515)}{(0.0394)} = 2.35 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}^+] = \boxed{4.63}$$



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### STATION 7: AFTER HALF-WAY

When 8.5 mL of KOH has been added to the solution:

- a) How many moles of HAc are in 10. mL of 0.15 M HAc?  $.0015 \text{ mol HAc}$
- b) How many moles of OH<sup>-</sup> are in 8.5 mL of 0.10 M KOH?  $(.0085 \text{ L})(.10 \text{ M}) = .00085 \text{ mol OH}^-$
- c) What is the total volume (in Liters)?  $18.5 \text{ mL} = .0185 \text{ L}$
- d) Fill in this NEUTRALIZATION chart using Molarities

HAc	+ OH <sup>-</sup>	→ H <sub>2</sub> O(l)	+ Ac <sup>-</sup>
$\frac{.0015 \text{ mol}}{.0185 \text{ L}} = .0811 \text{ M}$	$\frac{.00085 \text{ mol}}{.0185 \text{ L}} = .0459 \text{ M}$		0
- .0459	- .0459		+ .0459
.0352	0		.0459

- e) Fill in this EQUILIBRIUM chart:

HAc	+ H <sub>2</sub> O(l)	⇌ H <sub>3</sub> O <sup>+</sup>	+ Ac <sup>-</sup>
.0352		0	.0459
-x		+x	+x
.0352 - x		x	.0459 + x

Assume  $x \ll .0352 \therefore (.0352 - x) \approx (.0352)$  &  $(.0459 + x) \approx (.0459)$

- f) Write the equilibrium expression for HAc.

Substitute the equilibrium values into the expression and compute the [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>] concentration and pH.

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{Ac}^-]}{[\text{HAc}]} = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{(x)(.0459)}{(.0352)}$$

$$x = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \frac{(1.8 \times 10^{-5})(.0352)}{(.0459)}$$

$$= 1.3785 \times 10^{-5} \quad \text{pH} = \boxed{4.86}$$

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### STATION 8: AFTER THE EQUIVALENCE POINT

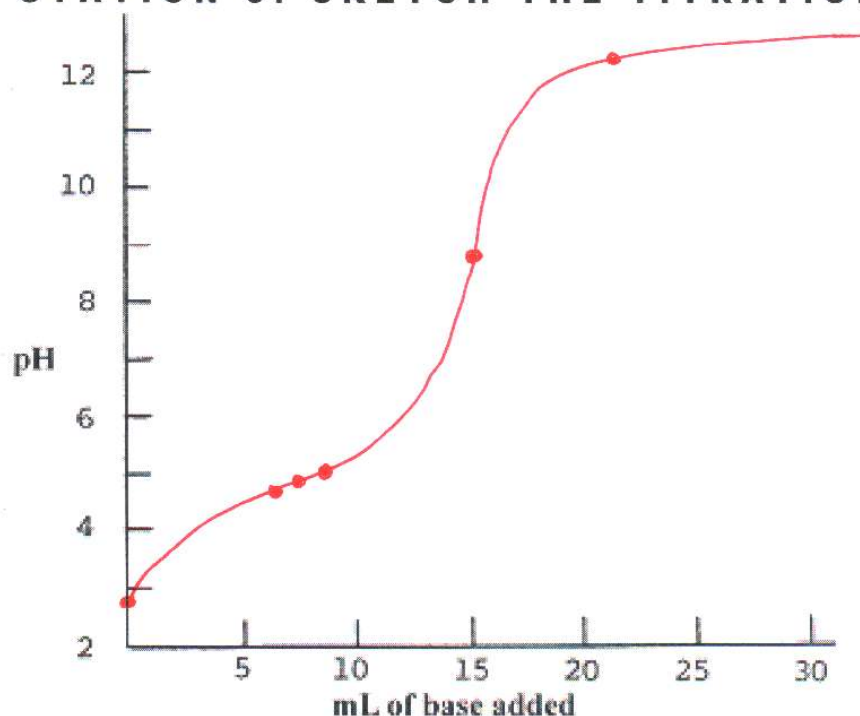
When 20. mL of KOH have been added to the solution:

- a) How many moles of HAc are in 10. mL of 0.15 M HAc?  $.0015 \text{ mol}$
- b) How many moles of OH<sup>-</sup> are in 20. mL of 0.10 M KOH?  $.0020 \text{ mol}$
- c) How many moles of excess OH<sup>-</sup> are in solution?  $.0020 - .0015 = .00050 \text{ mol OH}^-$
- d) What is the total volume (in Liters)?  $30.0 \text{ mL} = .030 \text{ L}$
- e) What is the concentration of OH<sup>-</sup>, the pOH, and the pH of the solution?

$$[\text{OH}^-] = \frac{.00050 \text{ mol}}{.030 \text{ L}} = 1.67 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M} \quad \text{pOH} = 1.78 \quad \text{pH} = 14 - \text{pOH} = \boxed{12.22}$$

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### STATION 9: SKETCH THE TITRATION CURVE



FYI: Formulas from the AP Exam:

#### EQUILIBRIUM

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]}$$

$$K_b = \frac{[\text{OH}^-][\text{HB}^+]}{[\text{B}]}$$

$$K_w = [\text{OH}^-][\text{H}^+] = 1.0 \times 10^{-14} \text{ @ } 25^\circ\text{C}$$
$$= K_a \times K_b$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log [\text{H}^+], \text{pOH} = -\log [\text{OH}^-]$$

$$14 = \text{pH} + \text{pOH}$$

$$\text{pH} = \text{p}K_a + \log \frac{[\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]}$$

$$\text{pOH} = \text{p}K_b + \log \frac{[\text{HB}^+]}{[\text{B}]}$$

$$\text{p}K_a = -\log K_a, \text{p}K_b = -\log K_b$$

$$K_p = K_c(RT)^{\Delta n}$$

where  $\Delta n$  = moles product gas – moles reactant gas