8.4 Acid Base Reactions and Buffers

The following is a summary of the essential knowledge statements from the AP Chemistry CED.

Strong	When a strong acid and a strong base are mixed, they react quantitatively in a reaction epresented by the following equation.						
Acid + Strong	$\mathrm{H}^+(aq)$ + $\mathrm{OH}^-(aq)$ \rightarrow $\mathrm{H}_2\mathrm{O}(l)$						
Base	The pH of the resulting solution may be determined from the concentration of excess reagent.						

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Weak Acid + Strong Base	When a weak acid and a strong base are mixed, they react quantitatively in a reaction represented by the following equation.
	$HA(aq) + OH^{-}(aq) \rightarrow A^{-}(aq) + H_2O(l)$
	If the weak acid is in excess, then a buffer solution is formed. The pH can be determined from the equilibrium constant expression (K_a). If the strong base is in excess, then the pH can be determined from the moles of excess hydroxide ion and the total volume of solution. If they are equimolar, then the pH can be determined from the equilibrium represented by the following equation.
	$A^{-}(aq) + H_2O(l) \rightleftharpoons HA(aq) + OH^{-}(aq)$

	When a weak base and a strong acid are mixed, they will react quantitatively in a reaction represented by the following equation.
Weak	$B(aq) + H_3O^+(aq) \rightarrow HB^+(aq) + H_2O(l)$
Base + Strong Acid	If the weak base is in excess, then a buffer solution is formed, and the pH can be determined from the equilibrium constant expression (K_b). If the strong acid is in excess, then the pH can be determined from the moles of excess hydronium ion and the total volume of solution. If they are equimolar, then the pH can be determined from the equilibrium represented by the following equation.
	$\mathrm{HB}^{+}(aq)$ + $\mathrm{H}_{2}\mathrm{O}(l)$ \rightleftharpoons $\mathrm{B}(aq)$ + $\mathrm{H}_{3}\mathrm{O}^{+}(aq)$

Weak Acid +	When a weak acid and a weak base are mixed, they will react to an equilibrium state whose reaction may be represented by the following equation.
Weak Base	$HA(aq) + B(aq) \rightleftharpoons A^{-}(aq) + HB^{+}(aq)$

Strong Acid + Strong Base Experiments

1. A solution is prepared by combining the following.

Information a	bout the Acid	Information about the Base			
(Before	Mixing)	(Before Mixing)			
Moles of H^+	Limiting or Excess?	Moles of OH ⁻	Limiting or Excess?		
mol		mol			

100.0 mL of 0.10 *M* HCl(*aq*) and 100.0 mL of 0.10 *M* NaOH(*aq*)

Combined Solution (After Mixing)								
Final Volume [H ⁺] [OH ⁻] pH								
L	М	М						

2. A solution is prepared by combining the following.

260.0 mL of 0.10 *M* HBr(*aq*) and 240.0 mL of 0.10 *M* KOH(*aq*)

Information a	bout the Acid	Information about the Base			
Moles of H ⁺	Limiting or Excess?	Moles of OH ⁻ Limiting or Excess?			
mol		mol			

After the reaction $H^+ + OH^- \rightarrow H_2O$ has occurred, _____mol of _____remains.

Combined Solution (After Mixing)							
Final Volume	$[\mathrm{H}^+]$	$[OH^{-}]$	pН				
L	М	М					

3. A solution is prepared by combining the following.

380.0 mL of 0.10 *M* HNO₃(*aq*) and 420.0 mL of 0.050 *M* Ba(OH)₂(*aq*)

Information a	bout the Acid	Information about the Base			
Moles of H^+	Limiting or Excess?	Moles of OH ⁻ Limiting or Excess?			
mol		mol			

After the reaction $H^+ + OH^- \rightarrow H_2O$ has occurred, _____mol of _____remains.

Combined Solution (After Mixing)							
Final Volume	$[\mathrm{H}^+]$	[OH ⁻]	pН				
L	М	М					

Weak Acid + Strong Base Experiment

4. Nitrous acid, HNO₂, is a weak acid that ionizes in aqueous solution according to the equation shown below.

 $HNO_2(aq) + H_2O(l) \rightleftharpoons H_3O^+(aq) + NO_2^-(aq) \quad K_a = 4.0 \times 10^{-4}$

(a) Calculate the pH of 0.20 M HNO₂(aq). A R-I-C-E table is shown below to guide you.

R	$HNO_2(aq)$	+	$H_2O(l)$	⇒	$H_3O^+(aq)$	+	$NO_2^{-}(aq)$
Ι	0.20 M		N/A		$\approx 0 M$		0 <i>M</i>
С			N/A				
Е			N/A				

$$K_a = 4.0 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{NO}_2^-]}{[\text{HNO}_2]}$$

 $[H_3O^+] = \underline{\qquad} M$ $pH = \underline{\qquad}$

Guidelines for solving a (Weak Acid + Strong Base) problem:

- Make a R-I-C-E table for the reaction between the weak acid HA and OH⁻. It is often easier to use units of **moles** in this R-I-C-E table instead of units of mol/L.
- If moles of OH⁻ are less than the original moles of HA, use the data from the "E" row and the total volume of solution (in L) to calculate [HA] and [A⁻] in units of mol/L. Plug in the values for [HA] and [A⁻] into the *K_a* expression. Make assumptions to avoid using the quadratic equation. Solve for [H₃O⁺]. Calculate pH.
- If OH⁻ and HA are equimolar, this means that all the original HA molecules have been converted into A⁻ ions. Switch from *K_a* to *K_b* at this point because of the presence of the conjugate base,

A⁻, which reacts with water as follows: A⁻ + H₂O \rightleftharpoons HA + OH⁻

Use the data from the "E" row and the total volume of solution (in L) to calculate $[A^-]$ in units of mol/L. Plug in the value of $[A^-]$ into the K_b expression. Solve for $[OH^-]$. Calculate pOH and pH.

• If moles of OH⁻ are greater than the original moles of HA, there is an excess amount of OH⁻ in solution. Use the data from the "E" row and the total volume of solution (in L) to calculate [OH⁻] in units of mol/L. Calculate pOH and pH.

	Volume of $0.20 M HNO_2(aq)$				Volume of 0.20 <i>M</i> NaOH(<i>aq</i>) (titrant)					
		50.0 r	nL				20.0 mL			
г										-
	R	$HNO_2(aq)$	+	OH⁻(<i>aq</i>)		⇒	$NO_2^{-}(aq)$	+	$H_2O(l)$	
	Ι	mol		r	nol		mol		N/A]
	С	mol		r	nol		mol		N/A]
	Е	mol		r	nol		mol		N/A]
$[HNO_2] = \underline{\qquad} M \qquad [NO_2^-] = \underline{\qquad} M$						-				
$K_a = 4.0 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{NO}_2^-]}{[\text{HNO}_2]}$ [H ₃ O ⁺] =						=	N			
								pH⁼	=	

(b) Before the half-equivalence point

(c) At the half-equivalence point

	Volume of 0.20	$M \mathrm{HN}$	$O_2(aq)$	Volume of 0.20 <i>M</i> NaOH(<i>aq</i>) (titrant)					
	50.0 r	nL		25.0 mL					
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R	$HNO_2(aq)$	+	$OH^{-}(aq)$	\neq	$NO_2^{-}(aq)$	+	$H_2O(l)$
Ι	0.010 mol		mol		0 mol		N/A
С	mol		mol		mol		N/A
Е	mol		mol		mol		N/A

$$[HNO_2] = \underline{\qquad} M$$

 $[NO_2^-] = ____M$

 $K_a = 4.0 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{NO}_2^-]}{[\text{HNO}_2]}$

 $[\mathrm{H}_{3}\mathrm{O}^{+}] = \underline{\qquad} M$

pH =_____

		Volume of 0.20	$M \mathrm{HN}$	$NO_2(aq)$	Volum	e of 0.20 <i>M</i> NaOH(<i>aq</i>) (t	itrant)		
		50.0 r	nL		30.0 mL					
Г				1					-	
	R	$HNO_2(aq)$	+	OH⁻(<i>aq</i>)	₹	$NO_2^{-}(aq)$	+	$H_2O(l)$		
	Ι	0.010 mol		m	ol	0 mol		N/A		
	C mol			m	ol	mol		N/A		
Γ	Emol			m	ol	mol		N/A		
[H	INO ₂] =M			$[NO_2^-]$	=M				
K	$f_a = 4$	$.0 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{[H_3 O^+]}{[HN]}$	[NO ₂ ⁻ [O ₂]	<u>]</u>		[H	[₃ O ⁺]	=	N	
							pH :	=		

(d) Past the half-equivalence point

(e) At the equivalence point

		Volume of 0.20	MHN	$IO_2(aq)$	Volume of 0.20 <i>M</i> NaOH(<i>aq</i>) (titrant)							
		50.0 r	nL		50.0 mL							
	R	$HNO_2(aq)$	+	OH⁻(<i>aq</i>)	\rightleftharpoons	$NO_2^{-}(aq)$	+	$H_2O(l)$				
]	I	0.010 mol		ma	bl	0 mol		N/A				
(С	mol		mo	bl	mol		N/A				
1	E	mol		ma	bl	mol		N/A				
[HN	$INO_2] = \underline{\qquad} M \qquad [NO_2^-] = \underline{\qquad} M$											

Change from K_a to K_b at this point because NO₂⁻ behaves as a weak base in aqueous solution.

 $NO_2^-(aq) + H_2O(l) \rightleftharpoons HNO_2(aq) + OH^-(aq)$

 $K_a \times K_b = K_w = 1.0 \times 10^{-14}$ [OH⁻] = _____M pOH = _____ pH = _____

(f) Past the equivalence point

	Volume of 0.20	M HN	$O_2(aq)$	Volume of 0.20 <i>M</i> NaOH(<i>aq</i>) (titrant)							
	50.0 r	nL		55.0 mL							
R	$HNO_2(aq)$	+	OH⁻(<i>aq</i>)	₹	⇄	$NO_2^{-}(aq)$	+	$H_2O(l)$			
Ι	I 0.010 mol					0 mol		N/A			
С	mol		n	nol		mol		N/A			
E	E mol					mol		N/A			

 $[OH^{-}] = ___M$

pOH =_____

pH =_____

Weak Acid + Strong Base Experiment





Point	Description	pН
A	Initial pH of the weak acid, HA	2.05
В	Before the half-equivalence point; [HA] > [A ⁻] and pH < p K_a	3.22
C	At the half-equivalence point; $[HA] = [A^{-}]$ and $pH = pK_a$	3.40
D	Past the half-equivalence point; [HA] < [A [–]] and pH > p K_a	3.57
Е	At the equivalence point; Switch from K_a to K_b because of the presence of the	8.20
	conjugate base, A, which reacts with water as follows: $A + H_2O \leftarrow HA + OH$	
F	Past the equivalence point; There is an excess amount of OH ⁻ in solution.	11.98

Weak Base + Strong Acid Experiment

5. Ammonia, NH₃, is a weak base that ionizes in aqueous solution according to the equation shown below.

 $NH_3(aq) + H_2O(l) \rightleftharpoons NH_4^+(aq) + OH^-(aq) \quad K_b = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$

(a) Calculate the pH of $0.20 M \text{ NH}_3(aq)$. A R-I-C-E table is shown below to guide you.

R	$NH_3(aq)$	+	$H_2O(l)$	₽	$\mathrm{NH_4}^+(aq)$	+	OH⁻(<i>aq</i>)
Ι	0.20 M		N/A		0 <i>M</i>		$\approx 0 M$
С			N/A				
Е			N/A				

$$K_b = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{[\mathrm{NH}_4^+][\mathrm{OH}^-]}{[\mathrm{NH}_3]}$$

 $[OH^{-}] = \underline{\qquad} M$

pOH =_____

pH = _____

Guidelines for solving a (Weak Base + Strong Acid) problem:

- Make a R-I-C-E table for the reaction between the weak base B and H₃O⁺. It is often easier to use units of **moles** in this R-I-C-E table instead of units of mol/L.
- If moles of H₃O⁺ are less than the original moles of B, use the data from the "E" row and the total volume of solution (in L) to calculate [B] and [HB⁺] in units of mol/L. Plug in the values for [B] and [HB⁺] into the *K_b* expression. Make assumptions to avoid using the quadratic equation. Solve for [OH⁻]. Calculate pOH and pH.

Use the data from the "E" row and the total volume of solution (in L) to calculate [HB⁺] in units of mol/L. Plug in the value of [HB⁺] into the K_a expression. Solve for [H₃O⁺]. Calculate pH.

• If moles of H_3O^+ are greater than the original moles of B, there is an excess amount of H_3O^+ in solution. Use the data from the "E" row and the total volume of solution (in L) to calculate $[H_3O^+]$ in units of mol/L. Calculate pH.

	Volume of 0.20	M N	$H_3(aq)$	V	Volum	e of 0.20 <i>M</i> HNO ₃ (<i>aq</i>) (ti	itrant)		
	50.0 r	nL		20.0 mL						
R NH ₃ (aq) + H ₃ O ⁺ (aq) \rightleftharpoons NH ₄ ⁺ (aq) + H ₂										
Ι	mol		r	nol		mol		N/A		
С	mol	I	nol		mol		N/A			
Ε	mol		I	nol		mol		N/A		
[NH3] =	=M	[ОН-1		[N	H4 ⁺] =	=M				
$K_{b} = 1.$	$8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{11014}{[NH]}$	[<u>]</u>				[C	•H−] =	: 		
	L	J .				F	OH =			
							pH =	=		

(b) Before the half-equivalence point

(c) At the half-equivalence point

	Volume of 0.20	MN	$H_3(aq)$	Vol	um	e of 0.20 <i>M</i> HNO ₃ (aq) (ti	itrant)		
	50.0 r	nL				25.0 mL				
Volume of 0.20 M NH ₃ (aq) Volume of 0.20 M HNO ₃ (aq) (titrant) 50.0 mL 25.0 mL R NH ₃ (aq) + H ₃ O ⁺ (aq) \rightleftharpoons NH ₄ ⁺ (aq) + H ₂ O(l) I 0.010 mol mol 0 mol N/A C mol mol mol N/A E mol mol N/A NH ₃] =M $[NH_4^+] =M$										
Ι	0.010 mol		mol		0 mol		N/A			
С	mol	mol			mol		N/A			
Ε	mol		r	nol		mol		N/A		
JH3] =	= <u>M</u>			[NH4 ⁺]=	<u> </u>				
$f_{b} = 1.$	$.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{[\mathrm{NH}_4^+]}{[\mathrm{NH}_4^+]}$	[OH ⁻] [,]				[C)H ⁻] =	:		

pOH =_____

pH = _____

	Volume of 0.20	MN	$H_3(aq)$	V	/olum	e of 0.20 <i>M</i> HNO ₃ (aq) (ti	itrant)	
	50.0 1	nL				30.0 mL			
R	$NH_3(aq)$	+	$H_3O^+(aq)$		\downarrow	$\mathrm{NH_4}^+(aq)$	+	$H_2O(l)$	
Ι	0.010 mol		n	nol		0 mol		N/A	
C	mol		n	nol		mol		N/A	
Ε	mol		n	nol		mol		N/A	
[NH ₃]] =M			[N]	H4 ⁺] =	=M			
$K_b =$	$1.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{[\mathrm{NH}_4^+]}{[\mathrm{NH}_4^+]}$	[OH ⁻] I ₃]				[C	•H−] =	:	
						r	OH =		
							pH =	=	

(d) Past the half-equivalence point

(e) At the equivalence point

	Volume of 0.20	MN	$H_3(aq)$	Volume of 0.20 <i>M</i> HNO ₃ (<i>aq</i>) (titrant)							
	50.0 r	nL		50.0 mL							
R	$NH_3(aq)$	+	$H_3O^+(aq)$		\rightleftharpoons	$\mathrm{NH_4}^+(aq)$	+	$H_2O(l)$			
Ι	0.010 mol		mol		0 mol		N/A				
C	mol		mol			mol		N/A			
Ε	mol		m	ıol		mol		N/A			
[NH ₂] =	$N[\mathbf{H}_{-}] = M$ $[N[\mathbf{H}_{-}]] = M$										

Change from K_b to K_a at this point because NH₄⁺ behaves as a weak acid in aqueous solution.

 $\mathrm{NH_4}^+(aq) + \mathrm{H_2O}(l) \rightleftharpoons \mathrm{NH_3}(aq) + \mathrm{H_3O}^+(aq)$

 $K_a \times K_b = K_w = 1.0 \times 10^{-14}$ [H₃O⁺] = _____M pH = _____

	Volume of 0.20	MN	$H_3(aq)$	Volume of 0.20 <i>M</i> HNO ₃ (<i>aq</i>) (titrant)							
	50.0 r	nL		55.0 mL							
R NH ₃ (aq) + H ₃ O ⁺ (aq)					\rightleftharpoons	$\mathrm{NH_4}^+(aq)$	+	$H_2O(l)$			
Ι	0.010 mol		n	nol		0 mol		N/A			
C	mol		n	nol		mol		N/A			
E	E mol					mol		N/A			
		[H ₃ O [¬]									

(f) Past the equivalence point







Volume of 0.20 MHNO₃ Added (mL)

Point	Description	рН
Α	Initial pH of the weak base, B	11.28
В	Before the half-equivalence point; $[HB^+] < [B]$ and $pH > pK_a$ for HB^+	9.43
C	At the half-equivalence point; $[HB^+] = [B]$ and $pH = pK_a$ for HB^+	9.26
D	Past the half-equivalence point; [HB ⁺] > [B] and pH < p K_a for HB ⁺	9.08
Е	At the equivalence point; Switch from K_b to K_a because of the presence of the conjugate acid. HB ⁺ , which reacts with water as follows: HB ⁺ + H ₂ O \implies B + H ₃ O ⁺	5.12
F	Past the equivalence point; There is an excess amount of H_3O^+ in solution.	2.02

Weak Acid + Weak Base Experiment

- 6. Hypochlorous acid, HOCl, is a weak acid. Methylamine, CH₃NH₂, is a weak base.
 - (a) Write the balanced chemical equation for the ionization of HOCl in aqueous solution.
 - (b) Write the balanced chemical equation for the ionization of CH_3NH_2 in aqueous solution.
 - (c) Fill in the missing information in the table below.

Acid	K_a	Base	K_b
HOC1	$3.0 imes 10^{-8}$	OCl-	
CH ₃ NH ₃ ⁺		CH ₃ NH ₂	$4.4 imes 10^{-4}$

- (d) Write the balanced chemical equation for the acid-base reaction that occurs when solutions of HOCl(aq) and $CH_3NH_2(aq)$ are combined.
- (e) A student mixed 50.0 mL of 0.10 *M* HOCl(*aq*) with 50.0 mL of 0.10 *M* CH₃NH₂(*aq*). Is the resulting solution acidic, basic, or neutral? Justify your answer in terms of the relative values of K_a and K_b for the products of the reaction represented by the equation you wrote in part (d).

8.5 Acid Base Titrations

Essential knowledge statements from the AP Chemistry CED:

- An acid-base reaction can be carried out under controlled conditions in a titration. A titration curve, plotting pH against the volume of titrant added, is useful for summarizing results from a titration.
- At the equivalence point, the number of moles of titrant added is equal to the number of moles of analyte originally present. This relationship can be used to obtain the concentration of the analyte. This is the case for titrations of strong acids/bases and weak acids/bases.
- For titrations of weak acids/bases, it is useful to consider the point halfway to the equivalence point, that is, the half-equivalence point. At this point, there are equal concentrations of each species in the conjugate acid-base pair. For example, for a weak acid [HA] = [A⁻]. Because pH = pK_a when the conjugate acid and base have equal concentrations, the pK_a can be determined from the pH at the half-equivalence point in a titration.
- For polyprotic acids, titration curves can be used to determine the number of acidic protons. In doing so, the major species present at any point along the curve can be identified, along with the pK_a associated with each proton in a weak polyprotic acid.

4.6 Introduction to Titration (Review)

Essential knowledge statement from the AP Chemistry CED:

• Titrations may be used to determine the concentration of an analyte in solution. The titrant has a known concentration of a species that reacts specifically and quantitatively with the analyte. The equivalence point of the titration occurs when the analyte is totally consumed by the reacting species in the titrant. The equivalence point is often indicated by a change in a property (such as color) that occurs when the equivalence point is reached. This observable event is called the endpoint of the titration.



7. A student is given a sample of HCl(aq) of unknown concentration. The student performs a titration experiment to determine the concentration of HCl in the solution.



(a) The student titrates a 20.0 mL sample of the HCl solution with 0.180 *M* NaOH(*aq*). Based on the titration curve above, what is the molar concentration of HCl in the solution?



8. A student is given a sample of formic acid, HCO₂H. The student performs a titration experiment to determine the concentration of HCO₂H in the solution.





- 9. Information about two different titration experiments is shown above, along with the titration curve for each experiment.
 - (a) When the equivalence point is reached in experiment #1, the pH is equal to 7.0. Circle all of the substances listed below that are present in the reaction mixture at a concentration greater than 0.01 M at the equivalence point.

$$H_3O^+$$
 $Cl^ Na^+$ OH^-

(b) When the equivalence point is reached in experiment #2, the pH is equal to 7.0. Circle all of the substances listed below that are present in the reaction mixture at a concentration greater than 0.01 M at the equivalence point.

$$H_3O^+$$
 $NO_3^ K^+$ OH^-

(c) Based on your answers to parts (a) and (b), explain why the pH is equal to 7.0 at the equivalence point in each of these titration experiments.



- 10. The titration curves for two different titration experiments are shown above.
 - (a) Fill in the missing information in the table below.

	Experiment #1 Titration of HNO ₃	Experiment #2 Titration of HNO ₂
Strong Acid or Weak Acid?		
Initial pH of $0.10 M HA(aq)$		2.21
pH at the half-equivalence point	1.48	3.41
pH at the equivalence point		8.05

(b) Use the information from the titration curve for Experiment #2 to calculate each of the following.

 pK_a for $HNO_2 =$ _____ K_a for $HNO_2 =$ _____

- (c) When the equivalence point is reached in experiment #2, the pH is greater than 7.0. Circle all of the substances listed below that are present in the reaction mixture at a concentration greater than 0.01 M at the equivalence point.
 - $NO_2^ Na^+$ H_3O^+ OH-
- (d) Write the net ionic equation for the acid-base reaction that takes place between one of the ions that you circled in part (c) and $H_2O(l)$. This reaction should provide evidence to explain why the pH is greater than 7 at the equivalence point in experiment #2.



- 11. The titration curves for two different titration experiments are shown above.
 - (a) Fill in the missing information in the table below.

	Experiment #1 Titration of HC ₃ H ₅ O ₂	Experiment #2 Titration of HOC1
Initial pH of 0.10 <i>M</i> HA(<i>aq</i>)	2.95	4.26
pH at the half-equivalence point	4.89	7.52
K_a value for the acid		
pH at the equivalence point		

(b) For each experiment, write the net ionic equation for the acid-base reaction that occurs in the reaction mixture that helps to explain why the pH is greater than 7 at the equivalence point.

Experiment #1	Experiment #2

(c) Comparing these two titration curves, we can see that the pH at the equivalence point in the HOCl titration is higher than the pH at the equivalence point for the $HC_3H_5O_2$ titration. This observation can be explained because

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HOCl is a ( weaker stronger ) acid than HC_3H_5O_2, and the OCl<sup>-</sup> ion is a ( weaker stronger ) base than the C_3H_5O_2^- ion.
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Acid	p <i>K</i> _a	Ka
HClO ₂	2.0	1×10^{-2}
HClO ₃	-2.7	5×10^2

- 12. Information about $HClO_2$ and $HClO_3$ is listed in the table above.
 - (a) Which acid is the stronger acid? Justify your answer.

Experiment #1	Experiment #2
50.0 mL of 0.10 <i>M</i> HClO ₂	50.0 mL of 0.10 <i>M</i> HClO ₃
is titrated with 0.10 <i>M</i> NaOH	is titrated with 0.10 <i>M</i> NaOH

- (b) The details of two titration experiments are shown above. Which titration experiment will result in a reaction mixture that has a higher pH at the equivalence point? Justify your answer by comparing the relative strengths of the conjugate base for each acid.
- (c) A student makes the claim that, when equal volumes of $0.10 M \text{HClO}_2(aq)$ and $0.10 M \text{HClO}_3(aq)$ are each titrated with 0.10 M NaOH(aq), the HClO₃ solution should require a greater volume of NaOH(aq) to reach the equivalence point. Do you agree or disagree with the student's claim? Justify your answer.



- $\begin{array}{rcrcrcr} H_2 SO_3(aq) &+ & H_2 O(l) \iff H_3 O^+(aq) &+ & H SO_3^- & K_{a1} = 1.4 \times 10^{-2} \\ HSO_3^-(aq) &+ & H_2 O(l) \iff H_3 O^+(aq) &+ & SO_3^{2-} & K_{a2} = 6.7 \times 10^{-8} \end{array}$
- 13. Sulfurous acid, H_2SO_3 is classified as a diprotic acid. The titration curve shown above is from an experiment in which 25.0 mL of 0.10 M H₂SO₃(aq) is titrated with 0.10 M NaOH(aq).

Fill in the missing information	n in the table below.
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Point	pН	Substance(s) Present in Solution at the Highest Concentration
Α	1.51	
В	2.08	Equal amounts of H_2SO_3 and HSO_3^-
C	4.57	
D	7.17	Equal amounts of HSO_3^- and SO_3^{2-}
E	9.85	

A titration experiment is performed in which a sample of a weak acid, $HC_2H_3O_2$ (p $K_a = 4.74$) is titrated with NaOH. The titration curve is shown at right. The particle diagrams shown below display representative samples of the reaction mixture at points A through F in the titration.





Volume of 1.0 *M* NaOH Added (mL)



Particulate Diagrams for a Weak Base – Strong Acid Titration

A titration experiment is performed in which a sample of a weak base, NH₃ (p K_b for NH₃ = 4.74 and p K_a for NH₄⁺ = 9.25) is titrated with HCl. The titration curve is shown at right. The particle diagrams shown below display representative samples of the reaction mixture at points A through F in the titration.



Point A

Sample of the weak base, B

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Point DPoint EPast the half-equivalence point;
 $[HB^+] > [B]$ and
 $pH < pK_a$ for HB⁺Point EEquivalence point;
because of this reaction:
 $HB^+ + H_2O \rightleftharpoons B + H_3O^+$ Image: the second s

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Point F

Past the equivalence point;