

Lecture 5 - 6

# **Analytical Chemistry for Pharmacy Students**

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## QUANTITATIVE ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY

- **What is Analytical Chemistry**
- **Defining the problem**
- **Some of the common measuring techniques involves**
  - **1 - Acid-Base titration ( neutralization reaction )**
  - **2 - Reduction-Oxidation titration (redox reaction )**
  - **3 - Precipitation titration**
  - **4 - Complexometric titration**
  - **5 - Gravimetric titration**
  - **6 - Instrumental analysis involving**
    - **a - spectroscopic methods**
    - **b - electrochemical methods**
    - **c - chromatographic methods**

# ACID-BASE EQUILIBRIA

- Chemical reactions : The rate concept
- The molar equilibrium constant  
( for dilute solution )
- the rate of the forward reaction  
rate f =  $k_f [A]^a [B]^b$
- the backward reaction has also a rate equal to  
rate b =  $k_b [C]^c [D]^d$
- $$K = \frac{k_f}{k_b} = \frac{[C]^c [D]^d}{[A]^a [B]^b}$$

# AQUEOUS ACID - BASE THEORIES

- Arhenius Theory

An acid is any substance that ionizes partially or completely in water to give hydrogen ions ( protons) .



- Bronsted Theory

**An acid is any substance that can donate a proton**

**A base is any substance that can accept a proton**



- Lewis Theory

Lewis acid is substance that have unfilled electron shells , it reacts by accepting an electron pair from a base ,

e.g.  $\text{BF}_3$  ,  $\text{M}$  ( cation in complex ) ,  $\text{AlCl}_3$

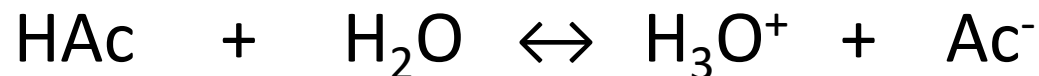
# ACID BASE EQUILIBRIUM IN WATER

Strong acid      Weak acid      Strong base      Weak base

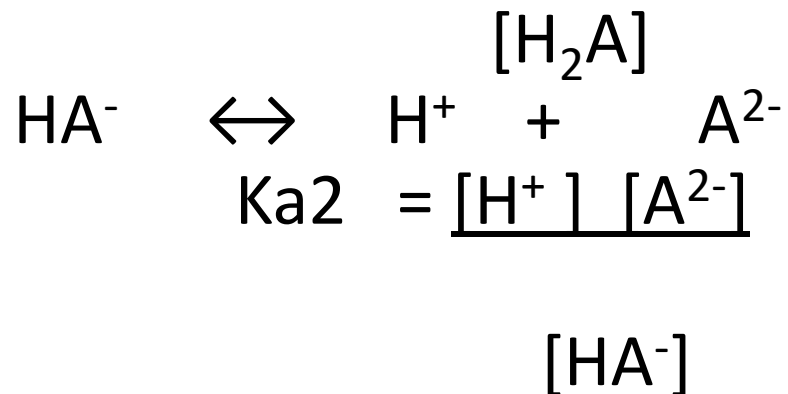
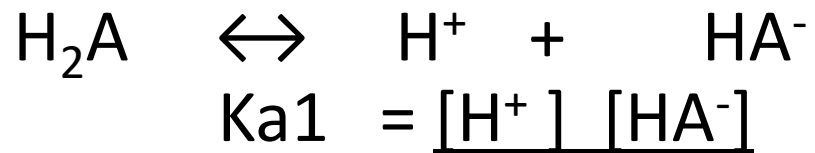
- HCl      CH<sub>3</sub>COOH      NaOH      NH<sub>3</sub>
- HNO<sub>3</sub>      C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH      NaC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>      C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>
- H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>      HCOOH
- HClO<sub>4</sub>
- Hydrochloric acid is a strong acid , it is completely ionized



- Acetic acid is a weak acid , it is partially ionized



- When a polyprotic acid is dissolved in water , the various hydrogen atoms undergo ionization to different extent .
- For example ,
- for the dibasic acid  $H_2A$  the primary and secondary ionization can be represented by the equations



- The greater the value  $K_{a1}$  relative to  $K_{a2}$ , the smaller will be the secondary dissociation
- Example for polyprotic acid is phosphoric acid
- |              |               |              |     |       |                                |
|--------------|---------------|--------------|-----|-------|--------------------------------|
| $H_3PO_4$    | $\rightarrow$ | $H_2PO_4^-$  | $+$ | $H^+$ | $K_{a1} = 1.1 \times 10^{-2}$  |
| $H_2PO_4^-$  | $\rightarrow$ | $HPO_4^{2-}$ | $+$ | $H^+$ | $K_{a2} = 2.0 \times 10^{-7}$  |
| $HPO_4^{2-}$ | $\rightarrow$ | $PO_4^{3-}$  | $+$ | $H^+$ | $K_{a3} = 3.6 \times 10^{-13}$ |

# The Dissociation Constant of Water

- $$\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{OH}^-$$
$$K_w = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-]}{[\text{H}_2\text{O}]}$$
- The ionic product of water  
$$K_w = [\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-14} \text{ at } 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}.$$
- in pure water  
$$[\text{H}^+] = [\text{OH}^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ (at } 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C)}.$$
- A solution in which  $[\text{H}^+] = [\text{OH}^-]$  is said to be neutral ,
- a solution is said to be acidic when  $[\text{H}^+] > [\text{OH}^-]$  ,
- it is basic when the reverse is the case .



# The pH Scale :

- $\text{pH} = -\log [\text{H}^+]$
- $\text{pOH} = -\log [\text{OH}^-]$
- $K_w = [\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-14}$
- $\text{p}K_w = \text{pH} + \text{pOH} = 14$
- In neutral solution  $\text{pH} = \text{pOH} = 7$  .
- Acidic solutions have pH values less than 7 ,  
while alkaline solutions have pH values greater  
than 7 ,

- **For any acid base pair**

$$\mathbf{K_a \times K_b = K_w}$$

- $\mathbf{pK_a + pK_b = 14}$

# pH of Acids and Bases

## 1 - pH of solutions strong acids and bases :

- Example : calculate the pH of  $2.0 \times 10^{-3}$  M solution of HCl .

$$[\text{H}^+] = 2.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log (2.0 \times 10^{-3} )$$

$$= 3 - \log 2$$

$$= 3 - 0.3 = 2.7$$

- Example : calculate the pH of 0.01M solution of HCl

$$[\text{H}^+] = 0.01 = 10^{-2} , \text{pH} = -\log 10^{-2} = 2$$

Also

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

From the equation  $K_w = [\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-]$

$$\text{p}K_w = \text{pH} + \text{pOH}$$

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

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

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

- Examples : Calculate pOH and pH of  $5.0 \times 10^{-2}$  M solution of NaOH .

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 5.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pOH} = -\log 5.0 \times 10^{-2} = 2 - \log 5$$

$$= 2 - 0.7 = 1.3$$

$$\text{pH} = 14 - 1.3 = 12.7$$

- 2 - pH of Weak Acids and Weak Bases  
a- pH of Weak Acids eg. acetic acid



$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{Ac}^-]}{[\text{HAc}]} = 1.75 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{pH} = \frac{1}{2} \text{pCa} + \frac{1}{2} \text{pKa}$$

Example :

calculate the pH and pOH of  $1.0 \times 10^{-3}$  solution of acetic acid



- initial concentration  $1.0 \times 10^{-3}$     0    0
- change                                -x                +x    +x
- equil. conc.                         $1.0 \times 10^{-3} - x$     x    x

$$K_a = \frac{(x)(x)}{1.0 \times 10^{-3}} = 1.75 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$x^2 / 1.0 \times 10^{-3} = 1.75 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$x = 1.32 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M} = [\text{H}^+]$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log 1.32 \times 10^{-4} = 4 - \log 1.32 = 4 - 0.12 = 3.88$$

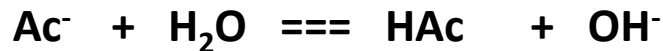
$$\text{pOH} = 14 - 3.88 = 10.12$$

B - for the basicity constant Kb ,eg.amm.hydroxide

$$\underline{\text{pH} = \text{pKw} - \frac{1}{2} \text{pCb} - \frac{1}{2} \text{pKb}}$$

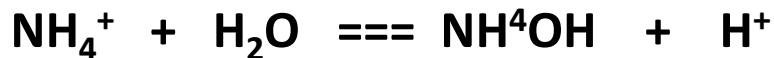
### 3- pH of Salt solutions

i - Salts of weak acids are those derived from weak acids and strong bases e.g. sodium acetate



$$\text{pH} = \frac{1}{2} \text{pKw} + \frac{1}{2} \text{pKa} - \frac{1}{2} \text{pCs}$$

ii - Salts of weak bases are those derived from strong acids and weak bases e.g. ammonium chloride ,



it behaves as a weak acid and its salts .

$$\text{pH} = \frac{1}{2} \text{pKw} - \frac{1}{2} \text{pKb} - \frac{1}{2} \text{pCs}$$

# Buffers

- A buffer is defined as a solution that resists changes in pH when a small amount of an acid or base is added or when the solution is diluted .
- A buffer solution consists of a mixture of weak acid and its conjugate base ( HAc and Sodium acetate or a weak base and its conjugate acid (  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  and  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  ) .

# The buffer action :

- For buffer system consisting of weak acid and its salt ;  
addition of a strong acid :



- The strong acid is , therefor , converted to a weakly dissociated acid and the pH practically does not change .  
Addition of a strong base :



- For buffer system consisting of a weak base and its salt ;  
upon addition of an acid :



- upon addition of a base :





# Calculation of the pH of a buffer solution ;Henderson equation :

## A – Acedic buffer

$$\text{pH} = \text{pKa} - \log \frac{[\text{HAc}]}{[\text{Ac-}]}$$

$$\text{pH} = \text{pKa} + \log \frac{[\text{conjugate base [salt]}]}{[\text{Acid}]}$$

Calculate the pH of a solution (buffer) prepared by adding 10 ml of 0.1M acetic acid to 20 ml of 0.1M sodium acetate . (  $k_A = 1.75 \times 10^{-5}$  )

- **mmol.acetic acid = 10 ml x 0.1M = 1 mmol.**
- **Final volume = 20 + 10 = 30 ml**
- **cHA = 1 mmol./30ml = 0.33 mmol./ml**
- **cAc<sup>-</sup> = 20 ml x 0.1 M / 30 ml = 0.067 mmol./ml**
- **pH = pKa + log  $\frac{[Ac^-]}{[HAc]}$**
- **pH = - log (1.75 x 10<sup>-5</sup> ) + log (0.067/0.33)**  
**= 4.76 + log 2 = 5.06**

## Buffer Capacity :

- the amount of acid or base that can be added without causing a large change in the pH .
- This is determined by the buffer ratio  $[\text{Salt}]/[\text{Acid}]$  .
- The buffer capacity is maximum when  $[\text{Salt}] = [\text{Acid}]$  ,
- that is when  $\text{pH} = \text{pKa} + \log (1/1)$   
 $\text{pH} = \text{pKa}$

## B – Basic Buffer “

system from weak bases and their salts

e.g.  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH} / \text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$

- similarly the pH of such buffer solution is given by

$$\text{pOH} = \text{pKb} + \log [\text{Salt}] / [\text{Base}]$$

$$\text{pH} = \text{pKw} - \text{pKb} - \log [\text{Salt}] / [\text{Base}]$$

# ACID - BASE TITRATIONS

- Many compounds , both inorganic and organic , are either acids or bases , and can be titrated with standard solution of a strong acid or a strong base . The end point can be detected by an indicator or pH - meter .
- **Titration** refers to quantitative chemical analysis carried out by measuring the volume of a solution of accurately known concentration which is required to react quantitatively with a measured volume of a solution of the substance to be determined . The solution of accurately known strength or concentration is called **standard solution** , the substance in the sample to be determined is called **analyte** . The weight of the analyte is calculated from the volume of the standard solution used and the chemical equation and relative molecular mass of the reacting compounds “ **Volumetric Analysis** “.

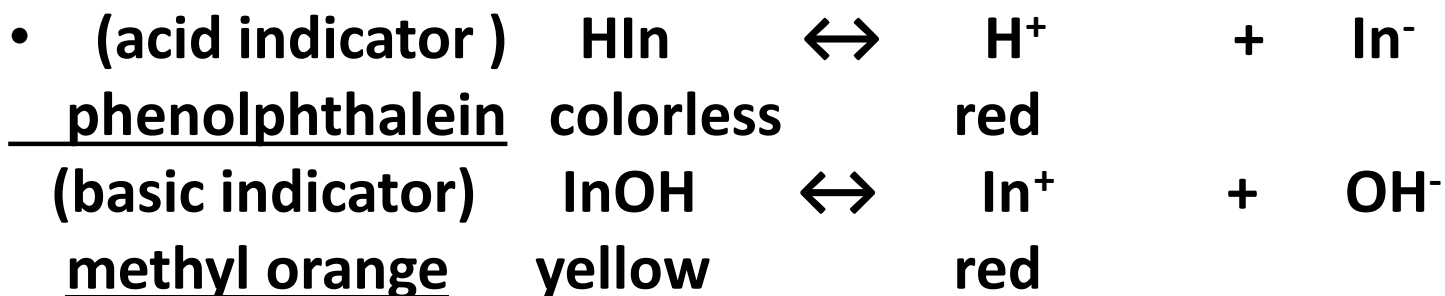
- In titrimetric analysis the standard solution is called titrant , the process of adding the standard solution from the burette until the reaction is complete is termed titration , the point at which the reaction is complete is called the equivalence point or the end point . The completion of the titration is detected by following up the changes in some physical properties such as pH , potential , conductance ,..etc. , or by the addition of an auxiliary reagent known as indicator .

# Detection of the End Point “ Indicators “

- **Types of acid -base indicators :**
  - a - Color indicators**
    - 1 - Universal indicators**
    - 2 - mixed indicators**
    - 3 - Screened indicators**
  - b - Turbidity indicators**
  - c - Fluorescence indicators**

# Theory of color indicator

- An indicator for acid base titration is usually weak acid or weak base that is highly colored organic compound . The color of the ionized form is markedly different from that of the unionized form



- For acid indicator

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_{\text{ind}} + \log \frac{[\text{In}^-]}{[\text{HIn}]}$$

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_{\text{ind}} + \log \frac{[\text{ionized}]}{[\text{unionized}]}$$

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_{\text{ind}} + \log \frac{[\text{basic color}]}{[\text{acid color}]}$$



- For basic indicator

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_w - \text{pK} - \log \frac{[\text{In}^-]}{[\text{InOH}]}$$

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_w - \text{pK} - \log \frac{[\text{ionized}]}{[\text{unionized}]}$$

- tables for the value of  $(\text{pK}_w - \text{pK})$  for basic indicators usually express this value as  $\text{pK}_{\text{ind}}$ .

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_{\text{ind}} + \log \frac{[\text{basic color}]}{[\text{acid color}]}$$

- The indicator changes color over a pH range . The transition range depends on the ability of the observer to detect small color changes . With indicators in which both forms are colored , only one color is observed if the ratio of the concentration of the two forms is 10 : 1 . We can calculate the pH transition range required to go from one color to the other ; if color of the unionized form is seen , then

$$[\text{In}^-]/[\text{HIn}] = 1/10$$

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_{\text{ind}} + \log 1/10$$

$$= \text{pK}_{\text{ind}} - 1$$

if the color of the ionized form is observed ,

then  $[\text{In}^-]/[\text{HIn}] = 10/1$

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_{\text{ind}} + \log 10/1$$

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_{\text{ind}} + 1$$

- so most indicators require a transition range from pK -1 to pK + 1

i.e.  $\text{pH} = \text{pK}_{\text{ind}} \pm 1$

- **effective range** of the indicator . The interval during which shades of colors are produced extending between the two color forms is called **transition interval** . For a good indicator the effective range its effective range as well as its transition interval should be short , i.e. pH change of 2 . in the midpoint in this transition range the concentration of the two forms are equal i.e.  $\text{pH} = \text{pK}_{\text{ind}} + \log 1/1$

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_{\text{ind}}$$

- i.e. the pK of the indicator should be close to the pH of the end point . Basic indicator should be selected that  $\text{pH} = 14 - \text{pK}_{\text{b}}$  .

# ACID - BASE TITRATION CURVES

## 1 - Strong Acid - Strong Base Titration

A titration curve is constructed by plotting the pH of the solution as a function of the volume of the titrant added .

Example : titration of HCl against NaOH

- At the beginning The equation used to calculate pH

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

- and during the titration

$$[\text{H}^+] = \frac{\text{remaining volume of HCl} \times \text{M}}{\text{total volume}}$$

- at the equivalent point

$$\text{pH} = \text{pOH} = \frac{1}{2} \text{pKw} = 7$$

- after the equivalence point , the excess NaOH added controls the pH of the medium , thus the pH = pKw - pCb

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

$$[\text{OH}^-] = \frac{\text{excess volume of NaOH} \times \text{M}}{\text{total volume}}$$

- Titration curve for 100 ml 0.1 M HCl titrated with 0.1 M NaOH .

- At the beginning , 0.1 M HCl

$$\text{pH} = -\log 10^{-1} = 1$$

- at 90% neutralization ( 90 ml NaOH ) , only 10% of H<sup>+</sup> remains , neglecting volume change

$$[\text{H}^+] = 10 \text{ ml} \times 0.1 / 100 \text{ ml} = 10^{-2}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log 10^{-2} = 2$$

- at the equivalence point , neutralization is complete and neutral solution of NaCl remains      pH = 7

- after neutralization , excess OH<sup>-</sup> rapidly increases from 10<sup>-7</sup> M at equivalent point to reach 10<sup>-2</sup> and M10<sup>-1</sup> M equivalent to pH 12 and 13 and the solution contains NaOH and NaCl , the pH changes markedly very near the end point .

## **2 - Weak Acid - Strong Base Titration**

**Example : the titration of 100 ml of 0.1M acetic acid with 0.1M NaOH solution .**

- 1 - The initial pH of 0.1M acetic acid ( pka =4.74) is calculated from the equation**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pH} &= \frac{1}{2} \text{pka} + \frac{1}{2} \text{Ca} \\ &= 2.37 + 0.5 = 2.88 \end{aligned}$$

- 2 - when 50 ml of 0.1M alkali has been added , some of the acid is converted to sodium acetate forming a buffer system , as the titration proceeds the pH increase as the ratio [salt] / [acid] change , the pH is calculated from the formula for buffers :**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pH} &= \text{pka} + \log [\text{salt}] / [\text{acid}] \\ &= 4.74 + \log 50 / 50 = 4.74 \end{aligned}$$

**3 - when 90 ml of alkali has been added then**

$$\text{pH} = 4.74 + \log 90 / 10 = 5.7$$

**4 - At the end point the pH of the solution is given by the formula for salts :**

$$\text{pH} = \frac{1}{2} \text{pKw} + \frac{1}{2} \text{pKa} - \frac{1}{2} \text{pCs}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cs at the end point} &= \log ( 100 \text{ ml} \times 0.1 \text{ M} / 200 \text{ ml} ) \\ &= 0.05 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{pH} = 7 + 2.37 - 0.65 = 8.73$$

## 5 - Beyond the end point

- The sodium acetate in presence of excess  $\text{OH}^-$  is negligible because excess alkali suppresses its hydrolysis .So when adding 110 ml of the alkali

$$\text{mmol OH}^- = 10 \text{ ml} \times 0.1\text{M}$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 1 / 210 = 0.00476 \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pOH} = -\log 0.00467 = 2.04$$

$$\text{pH} = 14 - 2.04 = 11.96$$

- The titration curve beyond the equivalence point follows that for titration of strong acid . The slowly rising region before the equivalence point is called the buffer region .



- **The curve indicates that methyl orange and methyl red are unsuitable, the end point is at pH 7.8, the most suitable indicator is phenolphthalein which has transition range in the alkali side (pH 8.3 - 10) or thymolphthalein (pH 9.3 - 10.5). The break in the titration curve is influenced by the pka value of the acid;**
- **The detection of the end point becomes more critical problem for weaker acids; e.g. 0.1M solution with  $k_a < 10^{-6}$  could not be titrated accurately.**

### **3 - Strong Acid - Weak Base titration**

Example : titration of 100 ml 0.1 M NH<sub>3</sub> (K<sub>b</sub> = 4.74 x 10<sup>-5</sup> ) with 0.1M HCl .

1 - At the beginning the pH is calculated from the formula for weak base

$$\begin{aligned}\text{pH} &= 14 - \frac{1}{2} \text{p}k_b - \frac{1}{2} \text{p}C_b \\ &= 14 - 2.37 - 0.5 = 11.13\end{aligned}$$

2 - During the titration the pH is calculated using the formula for buffer

e.g. when 90 ml 0.1M HCl is added

$$\begin{aligned}\text{pH} &= 14 - \text{p}K_b + \log [\text{base}] / [\text{salt}] \\ &= 14 - 4.74 + \log 10/90 = 8.31\end{aligned}$$

3 - At the equivalent point the pH is given by the formula for salts

$$\begin{aligned}\text{pH} &= \frac{1}{2} \text{p}K_w - \frac{1}{2} \text{p}k_b + \frac{1}{2} \text{p}C_s \\ &= 7 - 2.37 + 0.6 = 5.28\end{aligned}$$

4 - After the end point the solution represents a strong acid solution and its pH can be calculated in the usual manner .

- The curve shows that the end point is at 5.1 , and it is necessary to use an indicator with pH range on the slightly acidic side such as methyl orange or methyl red ( pH 3.6 - 5 ).

- **4 - Weak Acid - Weak Base**

The titration of weak acid , like acetic acid , with a weak base , like ammonium hydroxide gives a titration curve the main feature of which is that the change of pH near the end point and during the titration curve is very gradual . The calculation of the titration curve is more difficult than the previous three cases . There is no sudden change in pH at the end point . Therefore , such titrations are of little practical value as no indicator will give a sudden change of the color at this point and the change of the indicator is so gradual .