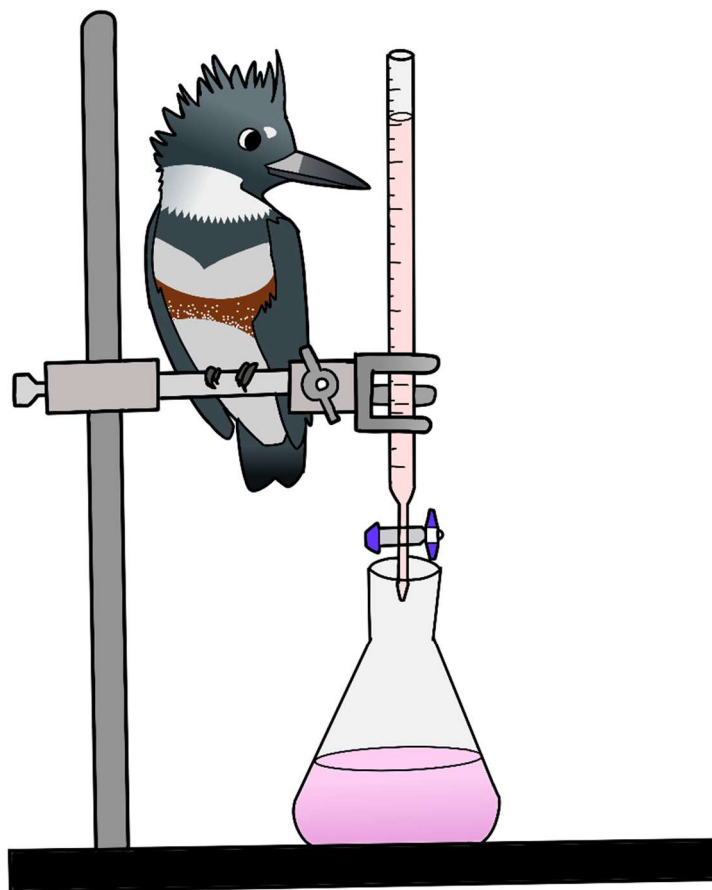


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BirdSO Chemistry Lab Test

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Notes about the test + answer key

This test was originally written in word and then copy and pasted over into scilympiad. Because of this a lot of formatting might be messed up especially with stuff like superscripts, subscripts, certain symbols, colors, etc. Also uploading it to the drive also messes with a lot of the spacing so it might not look super nice. If you have any questions about this feel free to message me and I'll be happy to clear anything up. My contact information is on the next page in the background introduction.

The answers are given in red and as bulleting points along with reasoning for the scoring.

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Basic Introduction + Instructions

Hello competitors! My name is Roland Hu (University of Washington Biochem 2024, formerly Palo Alto HS 2020) and I'll be your BirdSO Chemistry Lab Event Supervisor. Before you get started please read the following

1. The test is 45 minutes long and going by BirdSO rules, can be done asynchronously, however I will be on the event supervisor page on scilympiad for any immediate questions. You can also email me or message me on discord if something comes up (contact information is below).
2. The test is a collection of 9 free response questions with **no multiple choice**.
3. Each question will start with a textbox full of background information, constants, conditions, procedures, memes, etc. so do read them carefully.
4. You can assume everything is happening at standard lab pressure and temperature (293 K, 1 atm) unless otherwise specified. Most problems will mention this in the background textbox.
5. Type in your work. You don't have to show every single step but do show the important intermediate steps as it makes it easier to give partial credit especially on the longer calculation problems.
6. For anything involving subscripts, superscripts, or any other weird formatting things, you can ignore them as long as what you are typing isn't too ambiguous. For example, typing in 10^{-5} or CO₃²⁻ is fine.
7. Sig figs don't really matter in anything beyond that first unit test you take in any general chem class. So for this test I won't be taking sig figs into account but you should still try

to use an appropriate number of sig figs. Just don't use too little or too much as certain experimental apparatus are not that accurate or inaccurate.

8. There is a periodic table on the following page, as required by the rules. Any other necessary information will be contained in the problems background box.
9. Another general test taking tip is the principle of Occam's razor. "Sometimes the simpler explanations are more correct".
10. Good luck and have fun! (:

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If you have any questions about the exam after it has concluded whether you are a BirdSO competitor, another competitor taking this test for practice, reviewing the solutions and notice a mistake, or have any questions on the exam, please email me at rolandhu123@gmail.com or message me on discord at r hudini#8811.

*The first question is just an acknowledgment

Periodic Table of the Elements

1 IA 1 H Hydrogen 1.008																2 IIA 3 Li Lithium 6.94 4 Be Beryllium 9.012																3 IIIB 21 Sc Scandium 44.955908 241																4 IVB 22 Ti Titanium 47.88 242																5 VB 23 V Vanadium 50.9415 243																6 VIB 24 Cr Chromium 51.9961 244																7 VIIB 25 Mn Manganese 54.938044 245																8 VIIB 26 Fe Iron 55.845 246																9 VIIB 27 Co Cobalt 58.9332 247																10 VIIB 28 Ni Nickel 58.6934 248																11 IB 29 Cu Copper 63.546 249																12 IIB 30 Zn Zinc 65.38 250																13 IIIA 5 B Boron 10.811 251																14 IVA 6 C Carbon 12.011 252																15 VA 7 N Nitrogen 14.0064 253																16 VIA 8 O Oxygen 15.9994 254																17 VIIA 9 F Fluorine 18.9984 255																18 VIIA 10 Ne Neon 20.180 256																19 IIB 11 Na Sodium 22.98976928 257																20 IIB 12 Mg Magnesium 24.304 258																21 IIIB 31 Ga Gallium 69.723 259																22 IIIB 32 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[2] Problem 0: Honor Statement + Free Points

(glorified free points)

[1pt] Please type the following text exactly as written:

The work on this test is solely our own. I accept the consequences of academic dishonesty.

If they don't type in the statement give them a 0 on the exam. Though I hope no one cheats because that would be very sad.

[1pt] What is your favorite branch of chemistry?

Accept all answers even ones that aren't branches of chemistry. This is just here so I can increase the question count on my tests <☺

[17] Problem 1: Colligative properties question spam

These questions all deal with colligative properties! Some things to keep in mind: K_f is freezing point depression and K_b is boiling point elevation.

- a) [3 pts] What are colligative properties and how do they work. Why do they not depend on the chemical identity of the solute?

a. Colligative properties are properties that depend on the concentration of the solute. They work by obstructing the surface area which can alter properties such as boiling point, freezing point, and osmotic pressure. The reason why they do not depend on the identity is that properties are based off the interactions between solvent and solute. Since the distance between other particles is fairly large the identity of the solvent doesn't matter instead what matters is the number of particles.

- b. 1 pt for explaining what they are
1 pt for explaining how they work
1 pt for explaining why the identity doesn't matter

- b) [2] Estimate the vapor pressure of seawater at 20 °C given that the vapor pressure of pure water is 2.338 kPa at that temperature and the solute is largely Na^+ and Cl^- ions, each present at about 0.5 mol/dm³

- a. $P_{\text{water}} = xP^*$
 $55.6/(55.6+1) * 2.338 = 2.3 \text{ kPa}$
55.6 is concentration of H_2O in hso
- b. 1 pt for work 1 pt for right answer

- c) [2] Calculate the mole fraction of carbon dioxide in fat given that the Henry's law constant is 8.6×10^4 Torr and the partial pressure of carbon dioxide is 55 kPa.

a. $X = p/k = 55 \text{ kPa} / 8.6 \times 10^4 \text{ torr} \times 133 \text{ pa/torr} = .0048$

b. 1 pt for work 1 pt for answer

- d) [2] Estimate the freezing point of 150 mL of water ($K_F = 1.86 \text{ K kg mol}^{-1}$) containing 7.5 g of sucrose.

a. $T = -1.86 \times .002/.15 = -.27$

$$273 - .27 = 272.7 \text{ K}$$

b. 1 pt for work 1 pt for right answer

- e) [2] Water has $K_B = 0.51 \text{ K kg mol}^{-1}$. What is the boiling temperature of a 1 M solution of NaCl?

a. $373 + .51 \times 1 \times 2 = 374 \text{ K}$

b. 1 pt for work 1 pt for right answer

- f) [6] 4.5 g of a non-dissociating substance when dissolved in 125 g CCl_4 leads to an elevation of the boiling point of 0.65 K. Calculate the freezing point depression, the molecular mass of the substance, and the factor by which the vapor pressure of CCl_4 is lowered. Note, for CCl_4 , the equilibrium freezing temperature is 250.3 K, the freezing point depression constant K_F is 30 K kg/mol , the boiling temperature is 349.8 K, and the boiling point elevation constant K_B is 4.95 K kg/mol .

a. $T = .65 = K_b \times m$

$$M = .65 / 4.95 = 1.31 \text{ mol/kg}$$

$$MW = 4.5 / .131 / .125 = 275 \text{ g/mol}$$

$$T = K_f \times m = -30 \times .131 = -3.93$$

$$T_f = 250.3 - 3.93 = 246 \text{ K}$$

$$X = 125/153.8 / (25/153.8 + 4.5/275) = .98 \text{ times lowered}$$

- b. 3 pts for work on each 3 pts for the right answer on each

[12] Problem 2: Fuel for Climate Change



The majority of the world's power comes from fossil fuels. Fossil fuels are nice since they are convenient to burn, energy dense, “widely” available, and make good subject for comics. What is not so nice about fossil fuels is the carbon emissions they produce. Carbon dioxide emissions from fossil fuels are one of the major contributors to climate change. It is clear that within the next couple decades' humanity has to come up with an alternative to solve this energy crisis. The government has recruited BirdSO test takers to handle this crisis by letting you take command of their fuel research department (lucky you!).

You can assume everything takes place at 298 K and 1 atm.

- a) [2] You have looked into hydrogen gas as a possible alternative to fossil fuels. However, you are stumped on how to get hydrogen. You figure out one way you can form hydrogen is by reacting methane with water to get CO₂ and Hydrogen gas. Write out this equation and balance it.



States are not necessary

- b. 1 pt for writing out the expression

1 pt for balancing it

- b) [2] When your supervisors see your expression they get super paranoid. Your reaction produces CO₂ which as stated in the background is a nu Bueno. You assure them that this CO₂ can be easily capture and will not be released into the atmosphere. Suggest 2 ways of capturing CO₂.

- a. A lot of things could work for this question. Filters, catalytic converters, using amine-based solvents, gas separation, CCS, potassium carbonate, making soda water, using basalt, etc.

Accept anything that makes sense. You can be pretty lenient on this but reject anything that is super vaue.

- b. 1 pt for each suggestion.

- c) [2] After getting the approval of your superiors you then set out to calculate the enthalpy for your reaction. Here are some helpful values.

Enthalpy of formation of CH₄(g) = -74.8 kJ/mol

Enthalpy of formation of CO₂(g) = -393.5 kJ/mol

Enthalpy of formation of H₂O(l) = -285.8 kJ/mol

- a. Products heat – reactants heat

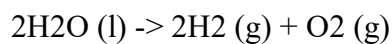
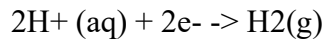
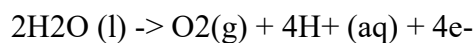
$$-393.5 - (-74.8 + 2 * 285.8)$$

$$= 253 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

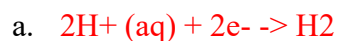
- b. 1 pt for work

1 pt for correct answer

- d) [1] Another way of producing hydrogen gas is through the electrolysis of water. You are given the 2 following half reactions and overall cell reaction.



Which half reaction occurs at the cathode?



It is okay to say the 2nd reaction

b. 1 pt for the right half reaction

e) [2] What is the enthalpy change for the overall cell reaction?

a. $H_{\text{cell}} = 2 \times 285.8 = 571.6 \text{ kJ/mol}$

Do not accept negative answers

b. 1 pt for the right answer

1 pt for the work

f) [3] What is the cell potential? (hint you might want to use this value below)

Entropy of formation of $\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) = -163.0 \text{ J/K/mol}$

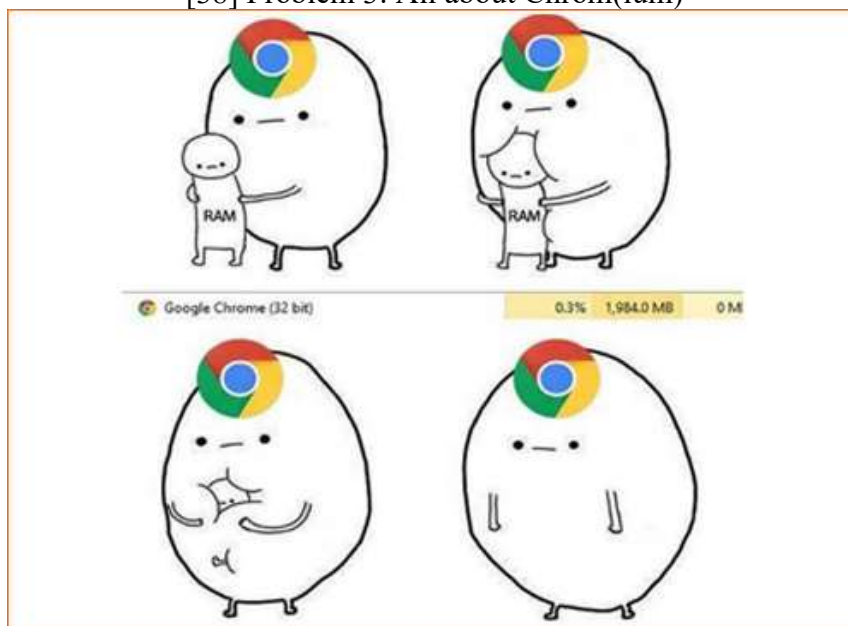
a. $S = 2 \times 163.0 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1} = +326.0 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

$$G = 571.6 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} - 298 \text{ K} \times 0.326 \text{ kJ K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1} = +474.5 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

$$E = 474.5 \times 10^3 \text{ J mol}^{-1} / (4 \times 96485 \text{ C mol}^{-1}) = -1.23 \text{ V}$$

b. 2 points for relating gibbs and potential 1 pt for the right answer

[38] Problem 3: All about Chrom(ium)



Google chrome is one of the most popular web browsers used in the world. Noted for it's speed, sleek design, and ability to eat of your computers ram in a flash. Being a nerdy chemist you must've realized that the origin of its name is from the element chromium, because chromium is often used to plate cars and other fancy objects. Hence the association of the word chrome with "metallic sleek finish that looks super speedy". However, something not so sleek about chrome is that certain forms of it are quite toxic. This problem deals with both the pretty side and the toxic side of chromium.

- a) [4] What are the oxidation states of chromium in each of the following species?



- a. III, VI, VI, III

You can accept it if it's not in roman numeral form

- b. 1 pt for each correct one

- b) [2] One of components of stainless steel is chromium and more specifically: chromite.

The stainless steel is produced when the iron chromite is reduced in the presence of carbon (typically in a blast furnace). Write out the balanced redox reaction knowing that the products are iron, chromium and carbon dioxide.



- b. 1 pt for the reaction

1 pt for being correctly balanced

- c) [6] Since we getting into redox reactions let's talk about chrome-plating. To plate chrome, you typically use chromium III ions in an acidic solution. To get a solution of these ions you typically take chromite and oxidize it in the presence of molten NaOH and air. This will give you sodium chromate which can be leached out and then dissolved in something like sulfuric acid to get your acidic solution.

Write the half reactions of FeCr_2O_4 in basic solution and the balanced full reaction.

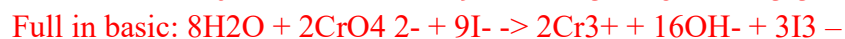




b. 3 pts for each reaction (red, ox, the full) and 3 pts for having them balanced

- d) [6] Another cool thing you can do with chromium ions is titrate them. This is used a lot in mining when prospectors want to determine how much chromium is present in their ores. You have been given a 5 g sample of chromite ore which you have oxidized into chromate dissolved in a 1 L solution of sodium hydroxide. Using an pipette you take 25 mL of this solution and transfer it to a beaker with 100 mL of DI water and potassium iodide. The reaction forms triiodide ions and chromium III ions. These triiodide ions were then titrated with .1 M potassium thiosulfate to give iodide ions and tetrathionate ions. A total of 3 titrations were performed which each used about 23 mL of sodium thiosulfate solution.

Write out the half reactions and the full reaction of the reaction of chromate ions with iodide ions. Note you can do the chromium half reaction in both an acidic and basic solution. You can do either one but your full reaction must be consistent with your half. (triiodide ions are I_3^- and tetrathionate ions are $S_4O_6^{2-}$)



You can accept either basic or acidic half but the overall reaction has to be consistent

b. 3 pts for each reaction (a half, the iodide, the full) and 3 pts for having them balanced

- e) [6] Write out the 2 half reactions and the full reaction for the reaction between triiodide ions and thiosulfate ions.



b. 3 pts for each reaction (red, ox, and full) and 3 pts for having them balanced

- f) [5] What was the concentration of the sodium chromate solution? (hint you can use the redox reactions you created to find the relative stoichiometric ratios of ions).

a. * I use mol instead of M because the volume is 1 L*

$$S_2O_3^{2-} = 23 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.100 = 2.3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

$$I_3^- = 2.3 \times 10^{-3} / 2 = 1.155 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

$$Cr = 1.155 \times 10^{-3} \times 2/3 = 0.77 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

$$[Cr] = 0.77 \times 10^{-3} / 25.00 \times 10^{-3} = 0.0308 \text{ M}$$

b. 4 pts for the work, 1 pt for the right final answer

- g) [2] How much chromite was in the ore? (give your answer in mass percent)

a. $n(FeCr_2O_4) = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.0308 = 0.0154 \text{ mol}$

$$m(FeCr_2O_4) = 0.0154 \times (55.85 + 2 \times 52.00 + 4 \times 16.00) = 3.447 \text{ g}$$

$$\%(FeCr_2O_4) = 3.447 / 5 = 68.9 \%$$

b. 1 pts for work 1 pt for right answer

- h) [2] How much of the ore was chromium?

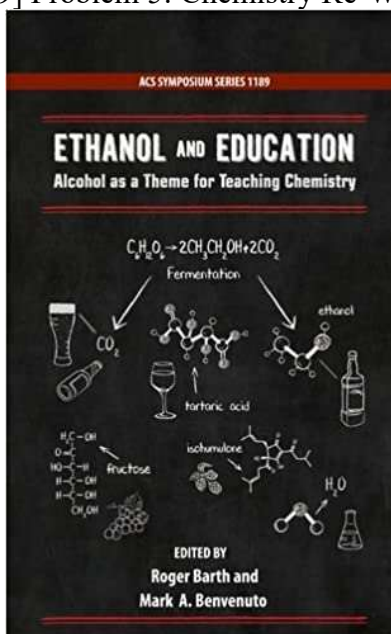
- a. $m(\text{Cr}) = 0.0308 \times 52.00 = 1.60 \text{ g}$
 $\% (\text{Cr}) = 1.60 / 5 = 32.0 \%$
- b. 1 pt for work 1 pt for right answer
- i) [2] As mentioned in the background chromium and its derivative can be quite toxic. This is especially prevalent when mining for certain minerals and ores. Some amount of crocoite, a mineral consisting of lead chromate was accidentally leached into a reservoir! What is the solubility of lead chromate in water? (K_{sp} for lead chromate is 1.77×10^{-14})
- a. First you probably want to write out the dissociation equation
 $\text{PbCrO}_4 \rightarrow \text{Pb}^{2+} + \text{CrO}_4^{2-}$
 Since it's 1 to 1 the solubility is the concentration of either lead or chromate ions.
 $\text{Pb}^{2+} \text{ or } \text{CrO}_4^{2-} = \sqrt{1.77 \times 10^{-14}} \sim 1.33 \times 10^{-7}$
- b. 1 pt for work 1 pt for right answer
- c. Crocoite is pretty nasty stuff: <https://www.quora.com/How-dangerous-is-handling-crocoite-bare-handed> though apparently it was used as the coloring on school buses or smth.
- j) [3] Because most people don't want lead chromate in their drinking water, it is believed that you at least remove some of it by manipulating solubility. One example involves using potassium chromate to get the lead ions out. What is the solubility of lead chromate in .1 M of potassium chromate? What will happen to the water (hint think about precipitation)?
- a. New Solubility = $K_{sp}/[\text{CrO}_4^{2-}] = 1.77 \times 10^{-14} / .1 = 1.77 \times 10^{-13}$
 Some of the lead chromate will precipitate out of the solution
- b. 1 pt for work 1 pt for right answer 1 pt for saying lead chromate precipitates out

[13] Problem 4: Generic acid base problem 1

1 g of NH_4Cl and 1 g of $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$ are dissolved in 100 ml of water. The pK_a of NH_4^+ is 9.24

- a) [3] What is the pH of the solution?
- $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl} = 1 \text{ g } \text{NH}_4\text{Cl} / 53.5 \text{ g/mol} = .0187 \text{ mol } \text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$
 - $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O} = 1 \text{ g} / 315 = .00317 \text{ mol } \text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2 \text{ and } .00634 \text{ mol } \text{OH}^-$
 - $\text{NH}_4^+ + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{NH}_3 + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ \text{ pKa} = 9.24$
 - $[\text{H}^+] = K_a \cdot [\text{NH}_4^+ / \text{NH}_3] = 10^{-9.24} \cdot 12.4 / 6.34 = 1.13 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ M}$
 - $-\log(1.13 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ M}) = 8.95$
 - 2 pts for work
 - 1 pt for answer
- b) [5] List the concentration of all ions present (hint there are 5 of them)
- $[\text{NH}_4^+] = .124$
 - $[\text{Ba}^{2+}] = .0317$
 - $[\text{H}^+] = 1.13 \cdot 10^{-9}$
 - $[\text{Cl}^-] = .187$
 - $[\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-14} / 1.13 \cdot 10^{-9} = 8.85 \cdot 10^{-6}$
 - 1 pt for each
- c) [3] What is the pH after you add 10 ml of 1 M HCl ?
- You have 1 mol HCl and will get neutralized by the .634 NH_3 of it leaving .366 H^+ left
 - $[\text{H}^+] = .366 \text{ mol} / 110 \text{ ml} = .0333 \text{ M}$
 - $-\log(.0333) = 1.48$
 - 2 pts for work
 - 1 pt for answer
- d) [2] What is the concentration of NH_3 after you add the HCl ?
- $[\text{NH}_4^+] = 18.7 / 110 = .170 \text{ M}$
 - $[\text{NH}_3] = K_a [\text{NH}_4^+] / [\text{H}^+] = 10^{-9.24} \cdot .17 / .0333 = 2.9 \cdot 10^{-9}$
 - 1 pt for work
 - 1 pt for answer

[19] Problem 5: Chemistry Re-Wine



The fermentation of grapes to produce wine is a technique that dates back to the Neolithic period where people basically mashed up a bunch of grapes (or other miscellaneous fruit) and left them in jars only to come back and get wine. This simple process is made possible by the yeast and bacteria that break down the sugars into CO₂ and ethanol. In fact, it's not hard to illicitly ferment alcohol, however one should consider drinking mashed up semi spoiled fruits carries a higher risk of botulism than getting a buzz.

Determining the ethanol content of wine is important in the industry and the most popular method is to perform a redox titration with KMnO₄. Permanganate ions react with ethanol to form Mn²⁺ ions and ethanoic acid (CH₃COOH).

You are asked with determining the ethanol content of a sample of wine. You take a 10ml sample and dilute it to 500 ml to create a stock solution. From this stock solution you take 20ml and titrate it with 14.4 ml of a .05 M K₂MnO₄.

- a) [6] Write balanced ionic half equations and the full ionic equation for the determination of ethanol in wine with permanganate ions. (hint use an acidic solution)
 - a. Oxidation $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{O}_2 + 4 \text{H}^+ + 4 \text{e}^-$
 - b. Reduction $\text{MnO}_4^- + 8 \text{H}^+ + 5 \text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{2+} + 4 \text{H}_2\text{O}$
 - c. Full $5 \text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O} + 4 \text{MnO}_4^- + 12 \text{H}^+ \rightarrow 5 \text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{O}_2 + 4 \text{Mn}^{2+} + 11 \text{H}_2\text{O}$
 - d. Keep note of the 5/4 ratio
 - e. 1 pts for each reaction
 - f. 1 pt for balancing each reaction properly
- b) [4] What is the concentration in moles/ L of ethanol in the wine stock solution?
 - a. $[\text{MnO}_4^-] = 0.05 \times 0.0144 = 7.20 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$
 - b. $[\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}] = 5/4 \times 7.20 \times 10^{-4} = 9.00 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$
 - c. $[\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}]$ in diluted wine $= 9.00 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M} / 0.02 = 4.50 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}$
 - d. 3 pts for doing the correct dimensional analysis from the past reaction (5/4 ratio)

- e. 1 pt for the right answer
- c) [3] What is the % ethanol by volume in the wine sample? The density of water is 1 g/ml and the density of ethanol is .79 g/ml.
 - a. $[\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}] = 4.50 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M} \times 500/10 = 2.25 \text{ M}$
 - b. Determine how much ethanol by mass in 1 L of wine
 - c. $2.25 \text{ M} \times 1 \text{ L} \times 46 \text{ g/mol} = 103.7 \text{ g ethanol}$
 - d. $V \text{ ethanol solution} = \text{mass} / \text{density} = 103.7 / .79 = 131.2 \text{ ml ethanol solution}$
 - e. $10 / 131.2 = 13.12\% \text{ ethanol by volume}$
 - f. 2 pts for determining the volume of the solution and volume of ethanol itself
 - g. 1 pt for the right answer

Ethanol isn't the only product formed in fermentation, other compounds such as acetic acid are formed which give a slightly sour taste. However too much acetic acid formation is not ideal is typical sign of wine souring and spoilage. (this is how vinegar is made!). Industry standard dictates that the acetic acid (or any volatile acid) should not be higher than 1.2 g / L to be considered "wine".

- d) [2] You take 20 ml of the same unknown wine from before and distill it to remove all the ethanol and end up with 100 ml of distillate. Then you want to take 10 ml of the distillate and titrate it with 10 ml of NaOH. What was the concentration of the NaOH used?
 - a. $1.2 \text{ g / L} = 1.2 \text{ g} / 60.05 \text{ g/mol} / 1 \text{ L} = 1.998 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}$
 - b. 1 pt for work
 - c. 1 pt for right answer
- e) [2] Suppose that you wish to titrate your solution from the permanganate titration from before instead of wine. Should you use a higher or lower concentration of NaOH and why?
 - a. If you use your permanganate solution you would have a solution full of acetic acid that was oxidized from ethanol. Meaning you would want to use a higher concentration of NaOH
 - b. 1 pt for saying higher
 - c. 1 pt for saying why
 - d. For those curious you would need $[\text{NaOH}] = (2.25 + 1.998 \times 10^{-2})/5 = .453 \text{ M}$
- f) [2] Unfortunately the method describe previously is flawed. If you use your permanganate solution you won't be able to determine how much acetic acid is present. Explain why.
 - a. Since the original concentration of acetic acid is so small, it gets overshadowed by the acetic acid formed from oxidation making this method inaccurate.
 - b. 1 pt for saying the original amount is small
 - c. 1 pt for saying you form too much from the permanganate oxidation

[38] Problem 6: Soda-Licious

A soda drink by the name of BirdSO Cola is prepared by dissolving carbon dioxide into water at 15 atm. BirdSO Cola like most sodas has an acidic flavor additive along with sodium benzoate. The flavor additive is there to acidify the soda and the benzoate is a shelf stabilizer. However, the flavor additive is a market secret and BirdSO refuses to share much about it with the public in fear of rival soft drink corporation BearSO Pepsi stealing it. Nonetheless BirdSO cola is still well known for destroying the tooth enamel of scioly test takers around the world. No wonder BirdSO has an annual revenue of about 33 billion USD (source: [CocaCola Gross Margin 2006-2020 | KO | MacroTrends](#)).

After breaking into BirdSO Cola national labs in California, you determine that flavor additive is the “fictional” triprotic acid H4BirdSO with a molar mass of 300 g/mol. It's K_{a1} , K_{a2} , K_{a3} are 10^{-3} , 10^{-4} , 10^{-5} and is added in a concentration of 5g/L. You also use determine from your massive BirdSO Cola addiction that that the K_{a1} , K_{a2} for carbonic acid is 10^{-6} , 10^{-10} . Sodium benzoate is added till it's .1% by mass.

Here are those values in a more organized manner (for your convenience):

Acidic additive (H3BirdSO): $K_1 = 10^{-3}$, $K_2 = 10^{-4}$, $K_3 = 10^{-5}$

Molar mass H3BirdSO = 300 g/mol

Carbonic acid: $K_1 = 10^{-6}$, $K_2 = 10^{-10}$

Benzoic acid (HBenzoate): $K = 10^{-4}$

Sodium Benzoic acid .1% by mass

- a) [8] Calculate the concentration of CO₂ in BirdSO cola in a sealed and unsealed bottle. You can assume the partial pressure of CO₂ is 1 atm and the Henry's law constant for CO₂ is 1.3×10^6 mm Hg.

- a. Use Henry's law to find mole fraction

$$P(\text{CO}_2) = K \cdot P(\text{CO}_2)^* \cdot x$$

$$x = P(\text{CO}_2) / K = 15 \cdot 760 / 1.3 \times 10^6 = 8.769 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

Since the solution is just CO₂ and water you can find how the mass of it

$$8.769 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ mol} \cdot 44 \text{ g/mol} + (1 - 8.769 \cdot 10^{-3}) \text{ mol} \cdot 18 \text{ g/mol} = 18.228 \text{ g of solution}$$

Density will be about 1 g/mol because it's so dilute

$$[\text{CO}_2] = 8.769 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ mol} / 18.228 \text{ g} \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ L/g} = .481 \text{ mol / L for sealed}$$

Do the same thing for unsealed but change $P(\text{CO}_2)$ to 760 mmHg

$$x = P(\text{CO}_2) / K = 760 / 1.3 \times 10^6 = 5.846 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$$

Since the solution is just CO₂ and water you can find how the mass of it

$$5.846 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ mol} \cdot 44 \text{ g/mol} + (1 - 5.846 \cdot 10^{-4}) \text{ mol} \cdot 18 \text{ g/mol} = 18.0152 \text{ g of solution}$$

Density will be about 1 g/mol because it's so dilute

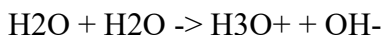
$$[\text{CO}_2] = 5.846 \cdot 10^{-4} / 18.0152 \text{ g} \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ L/g} = .03245 \text{ mol / L for unsealed}$$

Notice how the difference between sealed and unsealed is a factor of 15

- b. 3 pts for having Henry's laws, mass calculation, and concentration calculation work
1 pt for having the right answer. Do the same thing for both sealed and unsealed.

- b) [12] Write out the equilibria expressions and their respective constants for everything present in a bottle of BirdSO Cola. One of them has already been done for you. (Hint there are 6 more for a total of 7)

You can also assume that no cross reactions happen.



$$K_w = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-14}$$

- a. You will have 3 expressions for the triprotic equilibria of H3BirdSO



$$K_1 = [\text{H2BirdSO}^-][\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]/[\text{H3BirdSO}] = 10^{-3}$$



$$K_2 = [\text{HBirdSO}_2^-][\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]/[\text{H2BirdSO}^-] = 10^{-4}$$



$$K_3 = [\text{BirdSO}_3^-][\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]/[\text{HBirdSO}_2^-] = 10^{-5}$$

2 for carbonic acids diprotic equilibria



$$K_1 = [\text{HCO}_3^-][\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]/[\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3] = 10^{-6}$$



$$K_2 = [\text{CO}_3^{2-}][\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]/[\text{HCO}_3^-] = 10^{-10}$$

1 for benzoate



$$K = [\text{Benzoate}^-][\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]/[\text{Hbenzoate}]$$

- b. Each equation is worth 1 pt and each expression is worth 1 pt. do it 6 times

- c) [16] What is the pH of an open bottle of BirdSO cola ($p(\text{CO}_2) = 1 \text{ atm}$)?

this problem is very involved, if I have time I might make a hand written version

- Like any equilibria problem you first want to calculate the concentrations of all stuff you know. In this case it'd be H3BirdSO and Sodium benzoate.
- $[\text{H3BirdSO}] = 5 \text{ g} / \text{L} / 300 \text{ g/mol} = .0167 \text{ M}$
Because the sodium benzoate and acid are in low concentrations you can assume the density of everything is about 1.
- $[\text{Hbenzoate}] = 1 \text{ g} / 1000 \text{ g} * 1 \text{ L} / 1000 \text{ g} / 144 \text{ g} / \text{mol} = .007 \text{ M}$
- Next we will do a analytical technique called MCB (mass charge balance)
- Write down the mass balance
- Original $[\text{H3BirdSO}] = [\text{H3BirdSO}] + [\text{H2BirdSO}^-] + [\text{HBirdSO}_2^-] + [\text{BirdSO}_3^-] = .30$
- Original $[\text{HBenzoate}] = [\text{Hbenzoate}] + [\text{Benzoate}^-] = .007 \text{ M}$
- Original $[\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3] = [\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3] + [\text{HCO}_3^-] + [\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = .03245 \text{ M}$
- Then the charge balance
- $[\text{H}^+] + [\text{Na}^+] = [\text{OH}^-] + [\text{HCO}_3^-] + 2[\text{CO}_3^{2-}] + [\text{Benzoate}^-] + [\text{H2BirdSO}^-] + 2[\text{HBirdSO}_2^-] + 3[\text{BirdSO}_3^-]$
- Because we are dealing with an acidic solution you can ignore the $[\text{OH}^-]$, $[\text{HCO}_3^-]$ and $[\text{BirdSO}_3^-]$ because they lie more on the basic side of the equilibria.
- So our new charge balance becomes
- $[\text{H}^+] + [\text{Na}^+] = [\text{Benzoate}^-] + [\text{H2BirdSO}^-] + 2[\text{HBirdSO}_2^-]$

- n. However $[\text{Na}^+] = .007$
 - o. $[\text{H}^+] + .007 = [\text{Benzoate}^-] + [\text{H}_2\text{BirdSO}^-] + 2[\text{HBirdSO}_2^-]$
 - p. $[\text{H}^+] = [\text{Benzoate}^-] + [\text{H}_2\text{BirdSO}^-] + 2[\text{HBirdSO}_2^-] - .007$
 - q. Recall from before the equilibria expressions
 - r. $[\text{H}_2\text{BirdSO}^-] = [\text{H}_3\text{BirdSO}] 10^{-3} / [\text{H}^+]$
 - s. $[\text{HBirdSO}_2^-] = [\text{H}_2\text{BirdSO}_2^-] 10^{-4} / [\text{H}^+] = [\text{H}_3\text{BirdSO}] 10^{-7} / [\text{H}^+]^2$
 - t. $[\text{Benzoate}^-] = [\text{Hbenzoate}] 10^{-4} / [\text{H}^+] = .007 * 10^{-4} / [\text{H}^+] + 10^{-4}$
 - u. $*[\text{Hbenzoate}] = .007 = [\text{Benzoate}]$ from before *
 - v. Now plug in all these values into the $[\text{H}^+]$ from before
 - w. $[\text{H}^+] = .007 * 10^{-4} / ([\text{H}^+] + 10^{-4}) + [\text{H}_3\text{BirdSO}] * 10^{-3} / [\text{H}^+] + 2$
 $[\text{H}_3\text{BirdSO}] 10^{-7} / [\text{H}^+]^2 - .007$
 - x. Plug in what you have for mass balance
 - y. $[\text{H}_3\text{BirdSO}] = .03245 - [\text{H}_2\text{BirdSO}^-] - [\text{HBirdSO}_2^-] = .03245 - [\text{H}_3\text{BirdSO}] 10^{-3} / [\text{H}^+] + [\text{H}_3\text{BirdSO}] 10^{-7} / [\text{H}^+]^2$
 - z. Now plug this new equation back into the original H^+ one
 - aa. $[\text{H}^+] = 7 * 10^{-7} / ([\text{H}^+] + 10^{-4}) + (.03245 * 10^{-3} [\text{H}^+] + 2 * 10^{-7} * .03245) / ([\text{H}^+] + 10^{-3} [\text{H}^+] + 10^{-7}) - .007$
 - bb. Now you just have to solve this algebraic nightmare
 - cc. You should get something $\sim 4 * 10^{-3}$ (im pretty sure this value is right if not I'll double check later)
 - dd. Therefore the Ph is $-\log 4 * 10^{-3} \sim 2.4$ (which is about the ph of coke)
 - ee. 4 pts for having all the mass balance, 4 pts for having the charge balance, 2 pts for combining them 4 pts for solving the algebraic nightmare and 2 pts for the right answer. For the final answer accept anything within the ranges of 2.2-2.6 because sigfigs and algebra things
- d) [2] How will the pH change if the Cola was boiled until all the dissolved CO_2 was removed?
- a. The pH should not change because pH only depends on the amount of acidic.
 - b. 1 pt for not changing and another pt for the justification

[7] Problem 7: Dr. Stone Gun Powder Problem

In the anime and or manga Dr. Stone one of the major plot points in the story is the creation of gun powder (or black powder?) from natural materials, namely nitric acid, sulfur, charcoal, and sugar*. Though the story follows random anime logic, the actual science behind the show is pretty accurate.

note do not actually try to make gunpowder

* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yUYxk-y-tU8> *



Gunpowder compositions vary widely depending on its intended purpose (fireworks, flares, rockets, munitions, etc) but is usually a mixture of saltpeter (potassium nitrate), sulfur, and carbon.

You know from watching the show that the gun powder made is 75% saltpeter, 13% carbon, and 12% sulfur by mass.

- a) [2] Write out the chemical equation for the combustion of gunpowder. (hint it might be helpful to determine the molar ratios of the ingredients)
 - a. First determine the molar ratios of saltpeter, carbon, and sulfur
 - b. $\text{KNO}_3 : \text{C} : \text{S} = 2 : 3 : 1$
 - c. Then write the combustions
 - d. $2\text{KNO}_3 + 3\text{C} + \text{S} \rightarrow \text{K}_2\text{S} + \text{N}_2 + 3\text{CO}_2$
 - e. 1 pt for having the right products and reactants
 - f. 1 pt for having the right stoichiometric coefficients
- b) [2] You know from a testing that 1 g of gun powder releases 2.15 kJ of heat, what is the molar enthalpy change for the combustion of gun powder?
 - a. Find out the molar mass of gunpowder
 - b. $(2\text{KNO}_3 + 3\text{C} + \text{S}) = 270 \text{ g/mol}$
 - c. Use dimensional analysis to find the heat for 1 mol
 - d. $2.15 \times 270 = 580.5 \text{ kJ/mol}$
 - e. 1 pt for work
 - f. 1 pt for right answer

- c) [2] How fast will a 5 g bullet go when shot out of a cartridge containing 2 g of gunpowder. You can assume that the cartridge is 35% efficient.
- a. $2 \text{ g} * 2.15 \text{ kJ / g} * .35 = 1505 \text{ kJ of kinetic energy}$
 - b. $Ke = .5mv^2$
 - c. $1505 * 1000 = .5 * 5 * v^2$
 - d. $V = 780 \text{ m/s}$
 - e. 1 pt for answer
 - f. 1 pt for work
- d) [1] Since gun powder compositions can vary a lot, what do you think will happen if there were other additives?
- a. You would create different products, such as KNO_2 , SO_2 , K_2CO_3 ... etc
 - b. 1 pt for correct justification

[10] Problem 8: Generic acid base problem 2

A student prepares a saturated solution of magnesium hydroxide in water at 25 C. She determines that the solution has a pH of 10.5.

* when asked for solubility you should give your answer in both mol / L and g / 100 ml.*

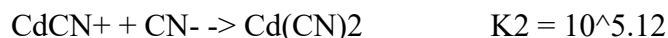
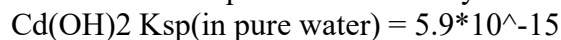
- a) [3] What is the solubility of magnesium hydroxide in water?
 - a. $[\text{OH}] = 10^{-3.5} = 3.2 \times 10^{-4}$
 - b. $\text{Mg} = \text{OH}/2 = 1.6 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol / L}$
 - c. $9.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ g/100 ml}$
 - d. 1 pts for work
 - e. 2 pts for each right answer
- b) [2] What is the solubility product of magnesium hydroxide in water?
 - a. $K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Mg}][\text{OH}]^2 = [3.2/2 \times 10^{-4}][3.2 \times 10^{-4}]^2 = 1.64 \times 10^{-4}$
 - b. 1 pt for right answer
 - c. 1 pt for work
- c) [2] What is the solubility of magnesium hydroxide in a .01 NaOH solution?
 - a. $[\text{Mg}] = K_{\text{sp}}/[\text{OH}]^2 = 1.6 \times 10^{-11} / .01^2 = 1.6 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mol / L}$
 - b. $9 \times 10^{-7} \text{ g/100 ml}$
 - c. 1 pt for work
 - d. 1 pt for answer
- d) [3] You mix 10 g of magnesium hydroxide into a 100 ml of a .1 M HCl solution. What is the pH of this solution?
 - a. $[\text{Mg}^{2+}] = .05 \text{ M}$
 - b. $[\text{OH}^-] = (K_{\text{sp}}/[\text{Mg}^{2+}])^{.5} = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$
 - c. $\text{pH} = 14 + \log (1.8 \times 10^{-5}) = 9.3$
 - d. 2 pts for work
 - e. 1 pt for right answer

[19] Problem 9: Cya-nara Cadmium

Last Question and the Tie Breaker

Cadmium is a soft, silvery-white heavy metal that often exists as a minor component in Zinc ore. Because of this, mining and refinement of zinc often leads to the leaching of cadmium ions into sewage or other waterways. It should be noted that Cadmium often gets compared to other heavy metals such as mercury, lead, and chromium due to its highly toxic nature. It is often complex with cyanide to form cadmium cyanide, which unlike most other metal cyanides is water soluble.

Here are some equilibria constants you'll need to solve this problem.



- a) [14] Calculate the solubility of Cd(OH)_2 in a solution containing $1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M CN}^-$ ions and the pH of the solution.
- Solubility = $.5 [\text{OH}^-]$ = "total Cd ions" (Cd)
 - $(\text{Cd}) = [\text{Cd}^{2+}] + [\text{CdCN}^+] + [\text{Cd(CN)}_2] + [\text{Cd(CN)}_3^-] + [\text{Cd(CN)}_4^{2-}]$
 - Plug in from the equilibria and factor out the common factor and you should get something like this
 - $.5 [\text{OH}^-] = \text{ksp} / [\text{OH}^-]^2 * (1 + K_1[\text{CN}^-] + K_1K_2[\text{CN}^-]^2 + K_1K_2K_3[\text{CN}^-]^3 + K_1K_2K_3K_4[\text{CN}^-]^4)$
 - Then just plug in the numbers and do some algebra
 - $[\text{OH}^-] = (2 * 5.9 * 10^{-15} (1 + 3.02 * 10^2 + 3.99 * 10^4 + 1.7 * 10^6 + 7.58 * 10^6)^{1/3}$
 - $[\text{OH}^-] = 4.79 * 10^{-3}$
 - pH = 2.32
 - Solubility = $2.4 * 10^{-3}$
 - 4 pts for writing out something that represents total Cd ions (-1 pt for every Cd they forget)
 - 4 pts for doing the correct equilibria variable sub (-1 pt for every Cd they forget)
 - 2 pts for doing the correct number sub
 - 2 pts for finding the concentration of $[\text{OH}^-]$
 - 1 pt for finding the pH
 - 1 pt for finding the right solubility
- b) [5] Though multiple cadmium cyanide complexes exist suppose that only Cd(CN)_4^{2-} is formed. What do you think will happen to the solubility (decrease, increase, stay the same)? Justify your answer by calculating the factor by which the solubility changes.
- The solubility should be slightly less. (because the Cd(CN)_4^{2-} ion doesn't form as much as the others)
 - You can just take the original equation and remove all the 1-3 terms
 - $5 [\text{OH}^-] = \text{ksp} / [\text{OH}^-]^2 * (1 + K_1K_2K_3K_4[\text{CN}^-]^4)$
 - $[\text{OH}^-] = 4.47 * 10^{-3}$
 - Solubility = $2.24 * 10^{-3}$
 - $2.24 / 2.4 = .933$
 - 1 pt for saying it's less

- h. 2 pts for using the write expression
- i. 1 pt for subbing in the numbers
- j. 1 pt for the right answer

scrapped problem

[7] Problem XX: Quick Titration “lab” problem

Every scioly chem lab test has one of these standard titrations problems. Usually you have a vial or two of an unknown and you want to determine something about it, pka, concentration, solubility, flavor (prob not this one) etc. This would normally be done in a lab on site but since everything is virtual you'll instead get given some data and just crunch some calculations. I would tell you a chem joke about it but it'd be too basic. (:

You start with a 10 g sample of window cleaner solution containing high concentration of ammonia. You dilute it with 90 grams of water to create a stock solution. Then you take 5 grams of that stock solution and titrate it with 42 ml of .05 M HCl to its equivalence point.

Pkb of ammonia is 4.75

a) [5] What was the mass percent of ammonia in your unknown solution?

a. First calculate the stuff that is going to be titrated.

$10 / (10 + 90 * 5) = .5$ g unknown solution.

Find out how many moles of NH₃ is titrated

Moles HCl = Moles NH₃ = $.042 * .05 = .0021$ mol

Find how much NH₃ by mass is titrated

$.0021 \text{ mol NH}_3 * (17 \text{ g/mol}) = .0357 \text{ g NH}_3$

% mass NH₃ = $.0357 / .5 \text{ g} = 7.14 \%$ NH₃ by mass

b. 4 pts for work 1 pt for right answer

c. Windex (a common cleaner) is about 7.5% ammonia according to google. if people just put 7.5% with no context give em a 0

b) [2] Name 2 indicators that you could use in this experiment (that is not universal indicator).

a) Anything that changes color around a ph of 3-5. Examples include Bromocresol green, methyl orange, bromophenol blue, congo red, etc.

b) 1 pt for each right indicator.