

### ACID BASE CALCULATION - PRACTICE QUESTIONS 1

1. A chemist added 50.0 mL of 0.010 mol L<sup>-1</sup> hydrochloric acid to 100.0 mL of 0.100 mol L<sup>-1</sup> sodium chloride solution. Which one of the following is the correct pH of the resulting solution?
  - (a) 2.5
  - (b) 3.0
  - (c) 3.8
  - (d) 5.2
2. For the titration between dilute ethanoic acid (in a burette) and standardised sodium hydroxide in a conical flask, which of the following procedures is incorrect?
  - (a) Prior to filling the burette with acid, rinse the burette with distilled water.
  - (b) Pipette out 20.00 mL aliquots of the sodium hydroxide solution into three separate conical flasks which have each been rinsed with distilled water.
  - (c) Rinse the pipette with the standardised sodium hydroxide solution before transferring the first aliquot to the conical flask.
  - (d) Add a few drops of phenolphthalein to each of the conical flasks containing the sodium hydroxide aliquots.
3. Which of the following solutions has a pH less than 7?
  - (a) Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub>(aq)
  - (b) CH<sub>3</sub>COOH(aq)
  - (c) distilled water
  - (d) Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>(aq)
4. Phenolphthalein indicator is added to a dilute potassium hydroxide solution in a conical flask which is then titrated against a dilute sulfuric acid solution from a burette. Which of the following statements about this titration is true?
  - (a) The end point will be reached before the equivalence point.
  - (b) The end point and equivalence point will be reached simultaneously.
  - (c) The phenolphthalein will remain orange/red until the end point is reached.
  - (d) The equivalence point will be reached before the end point.

5. For the titration between dilute ethanoic acid (in a burette) and standardised sodium hydroxide (in a conical flask), which of the following experimental procedures would be inappropriate?
- (a) Add a few drops of phenolphthalein indicator to the sodium hydroxide.
  - (b) Add sulfuric acid catalyst to the conical flask and warm the contents to about  $80^{\circ}\text{C}$  before commencing the titration.
  - (c) Prior to adding the acid to the burette, rinse the burette with distilled water and then a small portion of the acid solution.
  - (d) Pipette out 20.00 mL aliquots of the sodium hydroxide solution into three separate conical flasks which have each been rinsed with distilled water.

1. In an acid-base titration,  $1.0 \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ HCl(aq)}$  (from a burette) is added slowly to  $20.0 \text{ mL}$  of  $1.0 \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ NaOH(aq)}$  in a conical flask.
- (a) Calculate the pH of the solution in the conical flask after  $19.90 \text{ mL}$  of the  $\text{HCl(aq)}$  has been added. Assume the total volume of solution is now  $39.90 \text{ mL}$ .
  - (b) Calculate the pH of the solution in the flask after  $20.10 \text{ mL}$  of the  $\text{HCl(aq)}$  has been added. Assume the total volume of solution is now  $40.10 \text{ mL}$ .
  - (c) On the basis of the above pH changes, explain why both methyl orange and phenolphthalein are suitable indicators for this titration.

*(6 marks)*

2. A solution was prepared by mixing dilute sulphuric acid and dilute tartaric acid. Tartaric acid has the formula  $\text{HOOCCHOHCHOHCOOH}$  and in acid-base reactions, releases two protons and forms the tartrate ion:  $\text{OOCCHOHCHOHCOO}^{2-}(\text{aq})$ . The mixture of the two acids was analysed as follows:
- (i) 25.00 mL of the mixture was taken, and it required 29.8 mL of  $0.504 \text{ mol L}^{-1}$  NaOH to neutralize both acids.
  - (ii) A second 25.00 mL of the mixture was treated with excess barium nitrate solution, and resulted in the precipitation of 0.712 g of barium sulphate.

Calculate the concentration of sulphuric acid and tartaric acid in moles per litre in the mixture.

*(10 marks)*