

Question 32**(9 marks)**

A buffer solution containing 0.1 mol L^{-1} ammonia and 0.1 mol L^{-1} ammonium chloride is used in a laboratory-scale experiment involving a biological process.

- (a) Write the equation for the equilibrium reaction in the buffer solution involving the weak acid and its conjugate base. (2 marks)

- (b) Label the weak acid and its conjugate base in the above equation. (1 mark)

- (c) The biological process in the experiment produces a small amount of strong acid. Predict and explain the impact on the pH of the buffer solution. (3 marks)

- (d) Define the term 'buffer capacity'. (1 mark)

- (e) Identify **two** factors that determine buffer capacity of a system. (2 marks)

One: _____

Two: _____