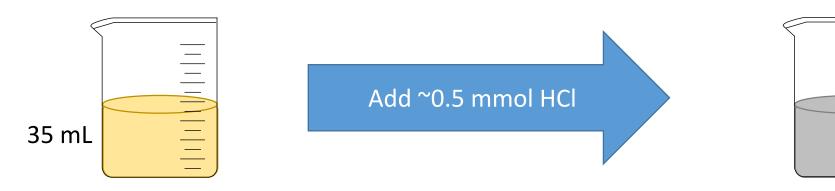
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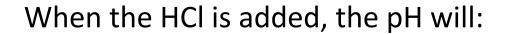
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# Demo: Mixing Acids and Bases

We start with 35 mL of a 0.010 M solution of acetic acid ( $CH_3COOH$ ). The pK<sub>a</sub> of acetic acid is 4.74 – what is the expected pH of this solution?

# Solution W: 0.01 M $CH_3COOH$ (aq) pH ~3.4







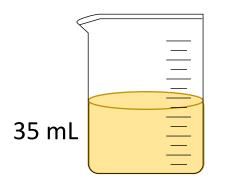
- b) Increase slightly (<1 pH unit)
- c) Not change (± 0.1 pH unit)
- d) Decrease slightly (<1 pH unit)
- e) Decrease dramatically (>1 pH unit)



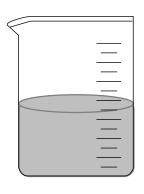
## Demo: Adding Strong Acid to a Weak Acid

We start with 35 mL of a 0.010 M solution of acetic acid (CH<sub>3</sub>COOH). We add 0.5 mmol of HCl. The pK<sub>a</sub> of acetic acid is 4.74 – what is the expected pH of this solution?

# Solution W: 0.01 M $CH_3COOH$ (aq) pH ~3.4



Add 20 mmol CH<sub>3</sub>COO<sup>-</sup>



When the acetate is added, the pH will:

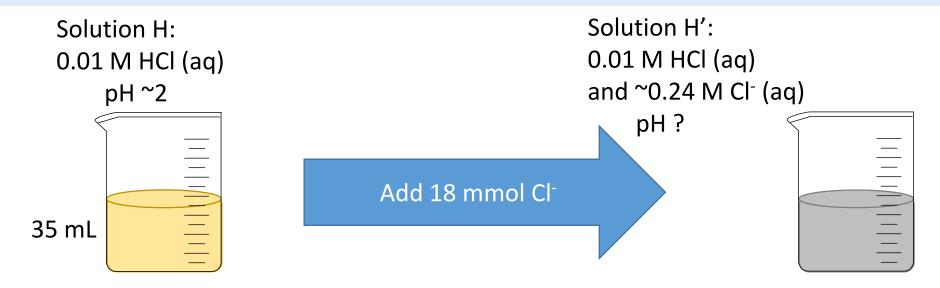
- a) Increase dramatically (>1 pH unit)
- b) Increase slightly ( <1 pH unit)
- c) Not change (± 0.1 pH unit)
- d) Decrease slightly ( <1 pH unit)
- e) Decrease dramatically ( >1 pH unit)



## Demo: Mixing Weak Acid and its Conjugate Base

We start with 35 mL of a 0.010 M solution of acetic acid (CH<sub>3</sub>COOH). We add 20 mmol of CH<sub>3</sub>COOH. The pK<sub>a</sub> of acetic acid is 4.74 - what is the expected pH of this solution?

# Demo: Mixing Strong Acid and its Conjugate Base

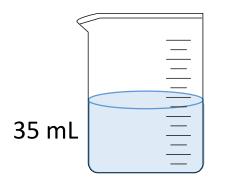


When the Cl<sup>-</sup> is added, the pH will:

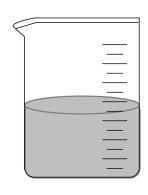
- a. Increase dramatically (>1 pH unit)
- b. Increase slightly ( <1 pH unit)
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- d. Decrease slightly (<1 pH unit)
- e. Decrease dramatically ( >1 pH unit)

#### Demo: Acid into Water

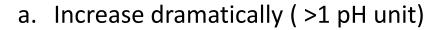
# RO water pH:



Add 0.5 mmol HCl



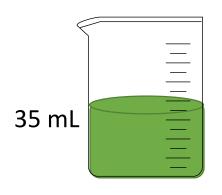
When the HCl is added, the pH will:



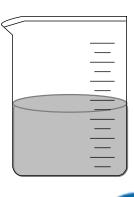
- b. Increase slightly (<1 pH unit)
- c. Not change (± 0.1 pH unit)
- d. Decrease slightly (<1 pH unit)
- e. Decrease dramatically (>1 pH unit)



Solution B:  $0.01 \text{ M CH}_3\text{COOH (aq)}$  and  $^{\circ}0.24 \text{ M CH}_3\text{COO}^{-}$  (aq)



Add 0.5 mmol HCl



When the HCl is added, the pH will:

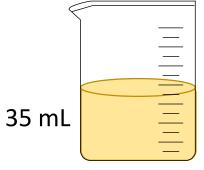


- b) Increase slightly ( <1 pH unit)
- c) Not change (± 0.1 pH unit)
- d) Decrease slightly (<1 pH unit)
- e) Decrease dramatically (>1 pH unit)

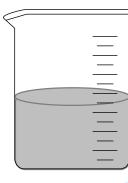


We start with 35 mL of a solution containing 0.35 mmol of  $CH_3COOH$  and 18 mmol of  $CH_3COO^-$ . We then add 0.5 mmol of HCl. The pK<sub>a</sub> of acetic acid is 4.74 – what is the expected pH of this solution?

Solution H: 0.01 M HCl (aq) pH ~2



Add 0.5 mmol HCl



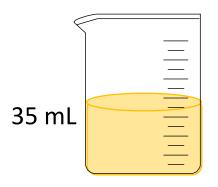
When the HCl is added, the pH will:

- a. Increase dramatically (>1 pH unit)
- b. Increase slightly (<1 pH unit)
- c. Not change (± 0.1 pH unit)
- d. Decrease slightly (<1 pH unit)
- e. Decrease dramatically ( >1 pH unit)

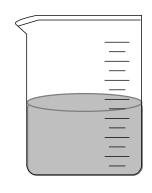


#### Demo: Base into Weak Acid

Solution W: 0.01 M CH<sub>3</sub>COOH (aq)



Add 0.5 mmol OH<sup>-</sup>



When the OH<sup>-</sup> is added, the pH will:



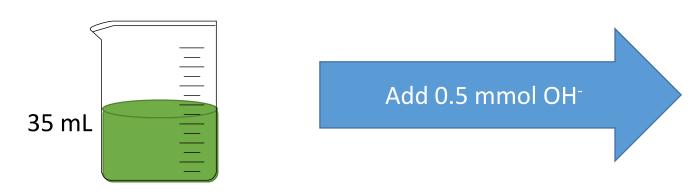
- a) Increase dramatically (>1 pH unit)
- b) Increase slightly ( <1 pH unit)
- c) Not change (± 0.1 pH unit)
- d) Decrease slightly (<1 pH unit)
- e) Decrease dramatically (>1 pH unit)

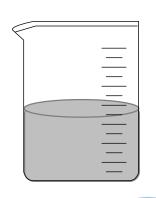
#### Demo: Base into Weak Acid

We start with 35 mL of a 0.010 M solution of acetic acid (CH<sub>3</sub>COOH). We add 0.5 mmol of NaOH. The pK<sub>a</sub> of acetic acid is 4.74 – what is the expected pH of this solution?

#### Demo: Base into Conjugate Pair Mixture

Solution B:  $0.01 \text{ M CH}_3\text{COOH (aq)}$  and  $^{\circ}0.24 \text{ M CH}_3\text{COO}^{-}$  (aq)





When the OH<sup>-</sup> is added, the pH will:



- a) Increase dramatically (>1 pH unit)
- b) Increase slightly ( <1 pH unit)
- c) Not change (± 0.1 pH unit)
- d) Decrease slightly (<1 pH unit)
- e) Decrease dramatically (>1 pH unit)

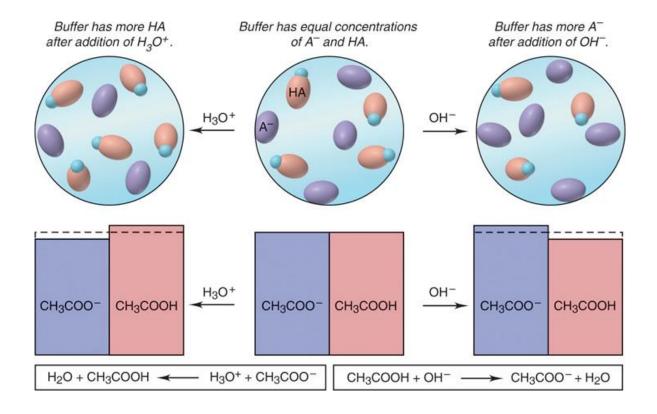


How much 6.0 M HCl would I have to add in order to change the pH by 1 unit?

#### **Buffers**

A solution that contains both components of a conjugate acid-base pair is called a **buffer**.

Because these solutions contain both a weak acid and a weak base, the pH will not change significantly on addition of a small amount of strong acid or base.



In order for a system to act as a buffer, the equilibrium concentration of the weak acid/base components must be approximately the same as the initial concentrations of these components. (i.e.  $K_a$  is small compared to the concentrations)

Therefore, if we know that a solution is behaving as a buffer, we can say (assuming a HA/A generic system):

$$K_a = \frac{[A^-][H_3O^+]}{[HA]}$$

Taking the —log of both sides:

This is the **Hendersen-Hasselbach (HH) Equation**.