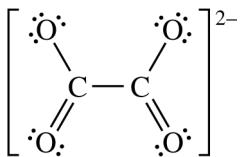


Begin your response to **QUESTION 7** on this page.



7. A Lewis electron-dot diagram of the oxalate ion,  $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$ , is shown.

(a) Identify the hybridization of the valence orbitals of either carbon atom in the oxalate ion.

(b) Silver oxalate,  $\text{Ag}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4(s)$ , is slightly soluble in water. The value of  $K_{sp}$  for  $\text{Ag}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$  is  $5.40 \times 10^{-12}$ .

(i) Write the expression for the solubility-product constant,  $K_{sp}$ , for  $\text{Ag}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$ .

(ii) Calculate the molar solubility of  $\text{Ag}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$  in neutral distilled water.

(iii) The molar solubility of  $\text{Ag}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$  increases when it is dissolved in 0.5 M  $\text{HClO}_4(aq)$  instead of neutral distilled water. Write a balanced, net-ionic equation for the process that occurs between species in solution that contributes to the increased solubility of  $\text{Ag}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4(aq)$  in  $\text{HClO}_4(aq)$ .

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**Question 7: Short Answer****4 points**

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- (a) For the correct answer: **1 point**



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- (b)(i) For the correct answer: **1 point**

$$K_{sp} = [\text{Ag}^+]^2[\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}]$$

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- (ii) For the correct calculated value: **1 point**

$$5.40 \times 10^{-12} = (2s)^2(s)$$

$$5.40 \times 10^{-12} = 4s^3$$

$$s = 1.11 \times 10^{-4} M$$

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- (iii) For a correct equation (state symbols not required): **1 point**

Accept one of the following:

- $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}(aq) + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+(aq) \rightarrow \text{HC}_2\text{O}_4^-(aq) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(l)$
- $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}(aq) + \text{H}^+(aq) \rightarrow \text{HC}_2\text{O}_4^-(aq)$
- $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}(aq) + 2 \text{H}_3\text{O}^+(aq) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4(aq) + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}(l)$
- $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}(aq) + 2 \text{H}^+(aq) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4(aq)$

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**Total for part (b) 3 points**

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**Total for question 7 4 points**