

Calculations:

↳ Dilute solution of HCl.

Initial concentration: 0.1 M.

$$C_1 V_1 = C_2 V_2$$

$$(0.1 \text{ M})(0.001 \text{ L}) = (0.001 \text{ M})(V_2)$$

$$V_2 = \frac{(0.1)(0.001)}{(0.001)} = 0.1 \text{ L}$$

distilled
water.

↳ Adding 0.001 L of 0.1 M
HCl to 0.1 L of distilled
water will produce 0.001 M
HCl.

BUFFER SOLUTION:

$$\text{isoelectric point} = 4.44$$

$$\text{pH of buffer} = 5.44$$

$$\text{pK}_a = 4.75$$

$$5.44 = 4.75 + \log \left(\frac{V_B}{V_A} \right)$$

$$4.898 = V_B / V_A$$

$$\textcircled{1} (4.898)(V_A) = V_B$$

$$\textcircled{2} V_A + V_B = 0.050 \text{ L}$$

$$V_B = 0.050 - V_A$$

$$4.898 V_A = 0.050 - V_A$$

$$5.898 V_A = 0.050 \text{ L}$$

$$V_A = 8.48 \approx 8.50 \text{ mL}$$

$$\therefore V_B = 41.5 \text{ mL}$$

ERROR:

$$\text{pH meter: } 5.49$$

$$\text{calculation: } 5.44$$

$$\frac{\text{Actual} - \text{Theoretical}}{\text{Actual}} \times 100$$

$$5.41$$

$$\frac{5.44 - 5.39}{5.44} \times 100 = 0.55\% \text{ error}$$

Discussion:

According to our percent error calculation, our pH had a 0.55% error compared to the value measured by the pH meter. One source of error might have been the calibration of our pH meter. For example, instead of being at 7.00, it read 7.03. Also, during the gravity filtration, small particles of precipitate may have leaked into the solution, which should have been free of solid. Also, buret readings are subjective and include some degree of uncertainty (affects calculation). Buffer systems are extremely necessary in biological systems. For example, the human body can only function within small ranges of pH. Thus,