

## Essential Pre-Uni Chemistry J5.1



Sodium dihydrogenphosphate has a  $pK_a$  value of 7.2. Give the pH of a buffer formed by mixing equal amounts of sodium dihydrogenphosphate and disodium hydrogenphosphate in aqueous solution.



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A buffer of pH 7.8 is prepared by taking  $200\,\mathrm{cm^3}$  of  $0.020\,\mathrm{mol\,dm^{-3}}$  "tris" solution and adding dilute hydrochloric acid from a burette until the pH is correct. If this requires  $1.35\,\mathrm{cm^3}$  of  $2.0\,\mathrm{mol\,dm^{-3}}$  HCl(aq), calculate the p $K_a$  of "tris".



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Propanoic acid has a  $pK_a$  value of 4.9 and is highly soluble in water. If  $200\,\mathrm{cm^3}$  of propanoic acid solution at  $2.0\,\mathrm{mol\,dm^{-3}}$  is treated with  $800\,\mathrm{cm^3}$  of potassium propanoate solution at  $1.0\,\mathrm{mol\,dm^{-3}}$ , give the pH of the resulting buffer.



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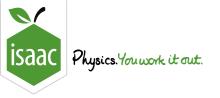
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Given that benzoic acid has a  $K_{\rm a}$  of  $6.3 imes 10^{-5}~{
m mol\,dm^{-3}}$ , calculate the  ${
m pH}$  of a buffer containing equal amounts of benzoic acid and sodium benzoate.



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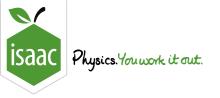


### Part A (a)

Given that methanoic acid has a  $K_{\rm a}$  of  $1.6 \times 10^{-4} \, {\rm mol \, dm^{-3}}$ , calculate the pH of a solution containing  $25 \, {\rm mmol}$  of methanoic acid and  $40 \, {\rm mmol}$  of potassium methanoate.

### Part B (b)

Given that methanoic acid has a  $K_{\rm a}$  of  $1.6 \times 10^{-4} \, {\rm mol \, dm^{-3}}$ , calculate the pH of a solution containing  $0.40 \, {\rm mol}$  of methanoic acid and  $0.32 \, {\rm mol}$  of magnesium methanoate.



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#### Part A (a)

Given that methanoic acid has a  $K_{\rm a}$  of  $1.6 \times 10^{-4} \, {\rm mol \, dm^{-3}}$ , calculate the pH obtained when  $100 \, {\rm cm^3}$  of  $0.25 \, {\rm mol \, dm^{-3}}$  methanoic acid is treated with  $10 \, {\rm cm^3}$  of  $0.50 \, {\rm mol \, dm^{-3}}$  sodium hydroxide.

### Part B (b)

Given that methanoic acid has a  $K_{\rm a}$  of  $1.6 \times 10^{-4} \, {\rm mol \, dm^{-3}}$ , calculate the pH of the solution obtained when  $1.7 \, {\rm g}$  of sodium methanoate is dissolved in  $40 \, {\rm cm^3}$  of  $0.10 \, {\rm mol \, dm^{-3}}$  hydrochloric acid.



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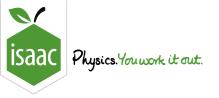
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Calculate the volume of  $2.00\,\mathrm{mol\,dm^{-3}}$  KOH that should be added to  $60.0\,\mathrm{cm^3}$  of  $1.00\,\mathrm{mol\,dm^{-3}}$   $\mathrm{H_3PO_4}$  to make a buffer solution of pH 2.00, given the p $K_\mathrm{a}$  of phosphoric(V) acid is 2.10.

(Hint: work out the quantity in moles of acid used and then alkali required, rather than trying to use concentrations throughout.)



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### N.B. This question is significantly harder

Calculate the mass of sodium carbonate decahydrate,  $Na_2CO_3 \cdot 10\,H_2O$ , that should be added to  $2.5\,\mathrm{dm^3}$  of  $0.40\,\mathrm{mol\,dm^{-3}}$  nitric acid to make a buffer of pH 10.5, given that the  $pK_a$  of hydrogencarbonate is 10.3.

Assume: (1) That no  $CO_2$  is given off in the reaction. (2) That the nitric acid just determines the hydrogencarbonate concentration and does not participate in the buffer, so that the hydrogencarbonate concentration is obtained from the reaction,

$$\mathrm{HNO_3} + \mathrm{Na_2CO_3} \longrightarrow \mathrm{NaHCO_3} + \mathrm{NaNO_3}$$



# Essential Pre-Uni Chemistry J5.8



A buffer solution made from "CHES" has a $ m pH$ of $8.8$ and contains $3$	$300\mu\mathrm{mol}$ of "CHES"	and $95\mu\mathrm{mol}$ of its conjugate base.
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Calculate the  ${\bf p}K_{\rm a}$  of CHES.