

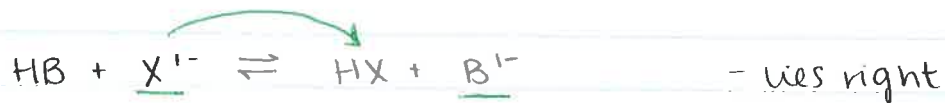
## Acid Strength vs. Concentration

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Concentration refers to the mol/L of acid used to make a solution, and can be determined through titration.

Strength refers to the ability of the acid to dissociate and donate a proton

Q6 is related to this.



- $\text{X}^{-}$  and  $\text{B}^{-}$  are the bases competing for products
- $\text{X}^{-}$  is the stronger base. The equilibrium lies to the right which shows  $\text{X}^{-}$  is better and  $\text{B}^{-}$  at getting protons
- HX is the weaker acid \*
- The K-value will have a large value:  $K = \frac{[\text{products}]}{[\text{reactants}]}$
- $\text{NaB} \rightarrow \text{Na}^{+} + \text{B}^{-}$ 
  - S -  $\uparrow [\text{B}^{-}]$
  - R -  $\downarrow [\text{B}^{-}]$
  - H - use  $\text{B}^{-}$
  - D - left

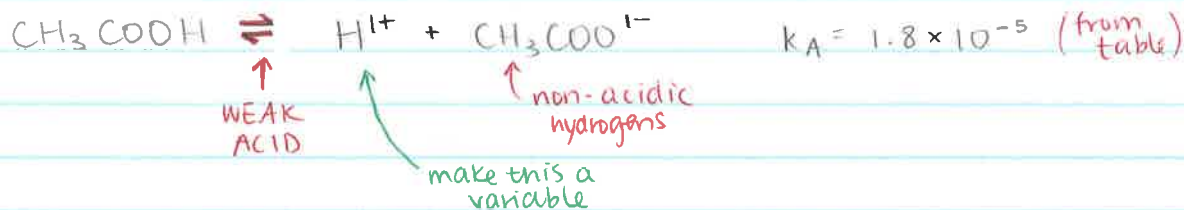
\* weak acid  $\leftrightarrow$  strong conjugate base ( $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}^{+} + \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^{-}$ )  
 strong acid  $\leftrightarrow$  weak conjugate base ( $\text{HCl} \rightarrow \text{H}^{+} + \text{Cl}^{-}$ )

## Weak Acid Equilibrium Calculation

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eg. find the pH of 0.5M CH<sub>3</sub>COOH

\* must find [H<sup>+</sup>] first!



$$[\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-] = [\text{H}^+]$$

$$[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}] = C_A^0 - [\text{H}^+] = 0.5 - [\text{H}^+]$$

→ initial concentration of acid, "recipe" to make the acid, (the concentration of acid molecule IF there were 0% dissociation)

okay, so...

$$K_A = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-]}{[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}]}$$

$$* [\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-] = [\text{H}^+]$$

$$* [\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}] = 0.5 - [\text{H}^+]$$

$$1.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{[\text{H}^+]^2}{0.5 - [\text{H}^+]}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = \sqrt{1.8 \times 10^{-5} (0.5 - [\text{H}^+])}$$

let's guess, to not do quadratic formula

$$\text{let } [\text{H}^+] = 0.05$$

S

$$= 0.002846$$

$$= 0.002991$$

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$$\rightarrow \text{same } \therefore [\text{H}^+] = 0.002991 \text{ M}$$

this is an equation that converges using successive approximation - ONLY WORKS for this Q!

$$\text{pH} = -\log_{10} [\text{H}^+] = -\log_{10} [0.002991 \text{ M}]$$

$$\text{pH} = 2.52$$



$\therefore$  pH is 2.52 and % dissociation is 0.598%

$$\% \text{ dissociation} = \frac{[\text{H}^+]}{C_A} \times 100\%$$

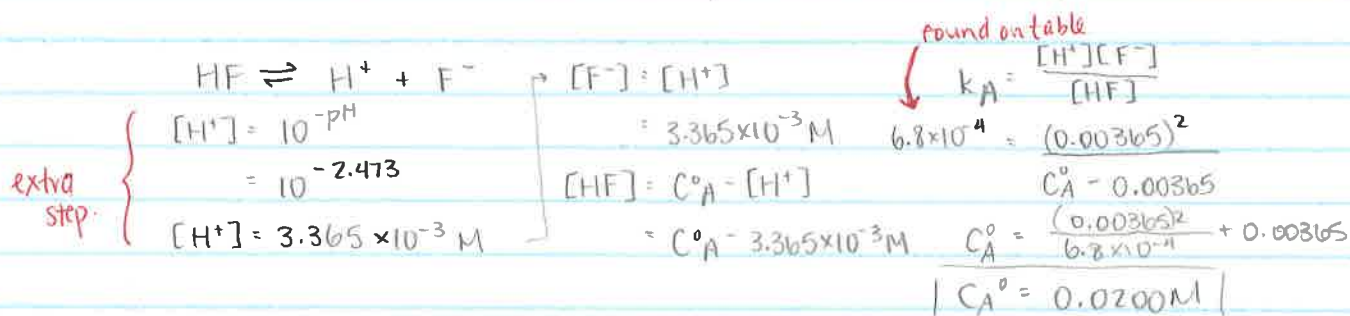
$$= \frac{[0.002991 \text{ M}]}{0.5 \text{ M}} \times 100\%$$

$$= 0.598\%$$

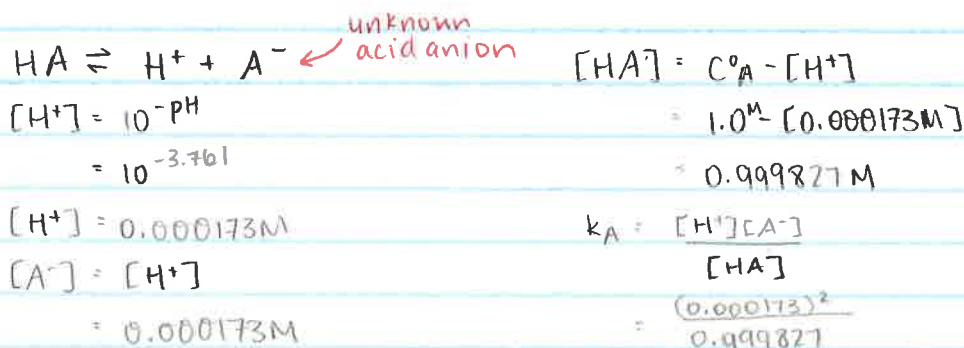
## 2 More Exam Question Examples

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1. A solution of HF is found to have a pH of 2.473. What is  $C_A^0$  of HF?



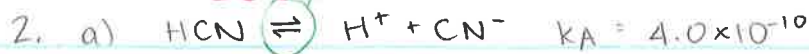
2. A solution of an unknown weak acid is found to have a pH of 3.761, titration of this monoprotic unknown determines the solution is 1.0M. What is the acid?



$$K_A = 3.0007 \times 10^{-8} \rightarrow \text{HClO}$$

→ refer to table to find proper  $K_A$ .

Problems 2-6 *\* cannot solve stoichiometrically*



$$[\text{CN}^-] = [\text{H}^+]$$

$$[\text{HCN}] = C_A - [\text{H}^+]$$

$$= 1.0\text{M} - [\text{H}^+]$$

$$K_A = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{CN}^-]}{[\text{HCN}]}$$

$$4.0 \times 10^{-10} = \frac{[\text{H}^+]^2}{1.0 - [\text{H}^+]}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = \sqrt{4.0 \times 10^{-10} (1.0 - [\text{H}^+])}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 1.949 \times 10^{-5} \\ 1.999 \times 10^{-5} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = 1.999 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log_{10} [\text{H}^+]$$

$$= -\log_{10} [0.00001999\text{M}]$$

$$|\text{pH} = 4.699| \checkmark$$

$$\% \text{ dissociation} = \frac{[\text{H}^+]}{C_A} \times 100\%$$

$$= \frac{0.00001999\text{M}}{1.0} \times 100\%$$

$$|\% \text{ dissociation} = 0.001999\%| \checkmark$$

[b), c), d), e)]



$$[\text{H}_2\text{BO}_3^-] = [\text{H}^+]$$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{BO}_3] = C_A - [\text{H}^+]$$

$$= 0.5\text{M} - [\text{H}^+]$$

$$K_A = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{H}_2\text{BO}_3^-]}{[\text{H}_3\text{BO}_3]}$$

$$5.9 \times 10^{-10} = \frac{[\text{H}^+]^2}{0.5 - [\text{H}^+]}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = \sqrt{5.9 \times 10^{-10} (0.5 - [\text{H}^+])}$$

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$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 1.629 \times 10^{-5} \\ 1.718 \times 10^{-5} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = 1.718 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log_{10} [\text{H}^+]$$

$$= -\log_{10} [0.00001718\text{M}]$$

$$|\text{pH} = 4.77| \checkmark$$

$$\% \text{ diss} = \frac{[\text{H}^+]}{C_A} \times 100\%$$

$$= \frac{0.00001718\text{M}}{0.5\text{M}} \times 100\%$$

$$|\% \text{ diss} = 0.003436\%| \checkmark$$



$$[\text{F}^-] = [\text{H}^+]$$

$$[\text{HF}] = C_A - [\text{H}^+]$$

$$C_A = \frac{n}{V} = \frac{2.0\text{g} \left( \frac{1\text{mol}}{20\text{g}} \right)}{1.0\text{L}}$$

$$C_A = 0.1\text{M}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-\text{pH}}$$

$$= 10^{-2.2}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = 6.31 \times 10^{-3}\text{M}$$

$$K_A = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{F}^-]}{[\text{HF}]}$$

$$= \frac{[\text{H}^+]^2}{C_A - [\text{H}^+]}$$

$$= \frac{(6.31 \times 10^{-3})^2}{0.1\text{M} - 6.31 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$|\text{K}_A = 4.25 \times 10^{-4}| \checkmark$$

\* not actually HF?



$$[\text{X}^-] = [\text{H}^+]$$

$$[\text{HX}] = 0.100 - [\text{H}^+]$$

$$\% \text{ diss} = \frac{[\text{H}^+]}{C_A} \times 100$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = \frac{(6.0\%)(0.100\text{M})}{100\%}$$

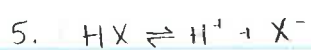
$$[\text{H}^+] = 0.006\text{M}$$

$$K_A = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{X}^-]}{[\text{HX}]}$$

$$= \frac{[\text{H}^+]^2}{0.100 - [\text{H}^+]}$$

$$= \frac{(0.006)^2}{0.100 - 0.006}$$

$$|\text{K}_A = 3.83 \times 10^{-4}| \checkmark$$



$C^{\circ}_A = 1.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}$

$[\text{H}^+] = 0.2 \times 1.0 \times 10^{-2}$

$= 2.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$

$[\text{HX}] = C^{\circ}_A - [\text{H}^+]$

a)  $\text{pH} = -\log_{10} [\text{H}^+]$

$= -\log_{10} [0.2 \times 10^{-4}]$

$\text{pH} = 3.70$

b)  $[\text{X}^-] = [\text{H}^+]$

$[\text{X}^-] = 2.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$

c)  $K_A = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{X}^-]}{[\text{HX}]}$

$= \frac{[\text{H}^+]^2}{C^{\circ}_A - [\text{H}^+]}$

$= \frac{(2.0 \times 10^{-4})^2}{1.0 \times 10^{-2} - 2.0 \times 10^{-4}}$

$|K_A = 5.0 \times 10^{-5}|$  ✓



$K_A = 2.0 \times 10^{-9}$

$\text{pH} = 4.8$

$C^{\circ}_A = ?$

$[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-\text{pH}}$

$= 10^{-4.8}$

$[\text{H}^+] = 1.58 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$

$[\text{B}_2\text{O}^-] = [\text{H}^+]$

$[\text{HB}_2\text{O}] = C^{\circ}_A - [\text{H}^+]$

$K_A = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{B}_2\text{O}^-]}{[\text{HB}_2\text{O}]}$

$2.0 \times 10^{-9} = \frac{[\text{H}^+]^2}{C^{\circ}_A - [\text{H}^+]}$

$C^{\circ}_A = \frac{(1.58 \times 10^{-5})^2}{2.0 \times 10^{-9}} + 1.58 \times 10^{-5}$

$|C^{\circ}_A = 0.1248 \text{ M}|$  ✓