# Analytical Chemistry Lecture III by/ Dr. Ekhlas Q. J. BUFFER SOLUTIONS



## **Buffer solutions**

**Definition** "Solutions which resist changes in pH when small quantities of acid or alkali are added."

a solution that contains a weak acid/conjugate base mixture or a weak base/conjugate acid mixture

 able to neutralize acids and bases without allowing the pH of the solution to change greatly

Acidic Buffer (pH < 7) made from a weak acid (ethanoic acid) + its sodium or potassium salt (sodium ethanoate)

Alkaline Buffer (pH > 7) made from a weak base (ammonia) + its chloride salt (ammonium chloride)

#### Uses

- Standardising pH meters
- Buffering biological systems (eg in blood)
- Maintaining the pH of shampoos

#### **Buffers and the Common-ion Effect**

A buffer works through the common-ion effect.

Acetic acid in water dissociates slightly to produce some acetate ion:

 $CH_{3}COOH(aq) + H_{2}O(l) \iff CH_{3}COO^{-}(aq) + H_{3}O^{+}(aq)$ acetic acid acetate ion

If  $CH_3COONa$  is added, it provides a source of  $CH_3COO^-$  ion, and the equilibrium shifts to the left.  $CH_3COO^-$  is *common* to both solutions.

The addition of  $CH_3COO^2$  reduces the % dissociation of the acid.

# Buffers

- A buffer consisting of a mixture of the weak acid(CH<sub>3</sub>COOH) and its salt (CH<sub>3</sub>COONa<sup>+</sup>), and Will undergo the following changes on the addition of acid or base:
- If the base is added (<sup>-</sup>OH) to the solution it will be buffered by the following reaction with acetic acid:
  - $CH_3COOH + OH \rightarrow CH_3COO^- + H_2O$ So the pH will not change significantly

# Buffers

- If acid (H<sup>+</sup>) is added, it will be buffered by another reaction, this time using the salt (CH<sub>3</sub>COO<sup>-</sup>): CH<sub>3</sub>COO<sup>-</sup> + H<sup>+</sup> → CH<sub>3</sub>COOH The pH will not alter significantly because the CH<sub>3</sub>COOH formed is a weak acid
- Addition of more base increases A<sup>-</sup> and decreases (HA) and this doesn't alter the pH much until [A<sup>-</sup>]>>>[HA]

The buffering power is greatest when pH=pKa, i.e. when the acid and the salt are at the same concentration

#### **How a Buffer Works**

The buffer components (HA and A<sup>-</sup>) are able to consume *small* amounts of added OH<sup>-</sup> or H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> by a shift in *equilibrium position*.

 $CH_{3}COOH(aq) + H_{2}O(l) \rightleftharpoons CH_{3}COO^{-}(aq) + H_{3}O^{+}(aq)$ 

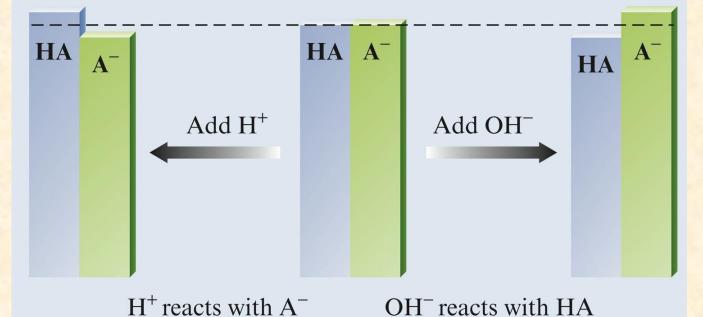
Added  $OH^{-}$  reacts with  $CH_{3}COOH$ , causing a shift to the right.

Added  $H_3O^+$  reacts with  $CH_3COO^-$ , causing a shift to the left.

The shift in equilibrium position absorbs the change in  $[H_3O^+]$  or  $[OH^-]$ , and the pH changes only slightly.

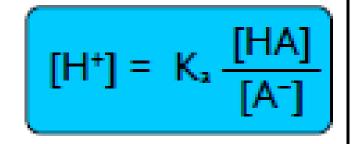
$$HA(aq) \Longrightarrow H^+(aq) + A^-(aq)$$

Ratio [HA]/[A<sup>-</sup>] does not increase very much. Ratio [HA]/[A<sup>-</sup>] does not decrease very much.



Effect of added  $H^+$  or  $OH^-$  on a buffered system.

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## in buffer solution with HA & A-:

- addition of H<sup>+</sup>
   neutralization:
   H<sup>+</sup> + A<sup>-</sup> → HA
- [HA] increases slightly

   [A<sup>-</sup>] decreases slightly
   [HA]/[A<sup>-</sup>] increases
   [H<sup>+</sup>] increases
   pH decreases

- addition of OH<sup>-</sup>
   neutralization:
   OH<sup>-</sup> + HA → A<sup>-</sup> + H<sub>2</sub>O
- [HA] decreases slightly
   [A<sup>-</sup>] increases slightly
   [HA]/[A<sup>-</sup>] decreases
   [H<sup>+</sup>] decreases
   pH increases

#### **Buffer Action**

Buffer action occurs as

- the weak acid in a buffer neutralizes base.
- the conjugate base in the buffer neutralizes acid.
- the pH of the solution is maintained.

#### **Alkaline buffer solutions - action**

#### **Alkaline buffer**

Very similar but is based on the equilibrium surrounding a weak base; AMMONIA

 $\begin{array}{rcl} \mathsf{NH}_3(\mathsf{aq}) + \mathsf{H}_2\mathsf{O}(\mathsf{I}) & \Longrightarrow & \mathsf{OH}^-(\mathsf{aq}) + \mathsf{NH}_4^+(\mathsf{aq}) \\ \mathsf{relative\ concs.\ HIGH} & & \mathsf{LOW} & \mathsf{LOW} \end{array}$ 

but one needs;

a large conc. of  $OH^{-}(aq)$  to react with any  $H^{+}(aq)$  added a large conc of  $NH_{4}^{+}(aq)$  to react with any  $OH^{-}(aq)$  added

There is enough  $NH_3$  to act as a source of  $OH^-$  but one needs to increase the concentration of ammonium ions by adding an ammonium salt.

Use AMMONIA (a weak base) + AMMONIUM CHLORIDE (one of its salts)

# **Buffers**

- Example: Ammonia is combined with its salt, NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, in sol'n:
- If acid is added to this solution, ammonia reacts with the H<sup>+</sup> :

 $NH_{3(aq)} + H^{+}_{(aq)} \rightarrow NH_{4}^{+}_{(aq)}$ 

• If a base is added to this solution, the NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> from the dissolved salt will react with the OH<sup>-</sup> :

 $NH_4^+_{(aq)} + OH^-_{(aq)} \rightarrow NH_3_{(aq)} + H_2O_{(1)}$ 

### **BUFFER SOLUTION**

- When an acid is added, the conjugate base converts the excess  $H_3O^+$  ion into its acid (conjugate base removes excess  $H_3O^+$ )  $H_3O^+(aq) + A^-(aq) \rightarrow HA(aq) + H_2O(1)$ 

- When a base is added, the acid converts the excess  $OH^-$  ion into its conjugate base and water (acid removes excess  $OH^-$  ion)  $HA(aq) + OH^-(aq) \rightarrow A^-(aq) + H_2O(1)$ 

- These reactions go to completion (large equilibrium constants)

## pH calculations of buffer solutions

Buffer consisting of a weak acid and its salt with a strong base

 $HA + H_2O \iff A^- + H_3O^+ K_a$ Henderson – Hasselbalch equation

pH = pKa + log[A-]/[HA]

HA – weak acid A<sup>-</sup> – conjugated base

Buffer consisting of a weak base and its salt with a strong acid

 $B + H_2O \iff BH^+ + OH^-$ 

pOH = pK<sub>b</sub> + log[BH<sup>+</sup>]/[B] B - weak base BH<sup>+</sup> - conjugated acid

# The Henderson-Hasselbalch Equation $HA(aq) + H_2O(l) \iff A^{-}(aq) + H_3O^{+}(aq)$ $[H_3O^{+}][A^{-}]$ $[H_3O^{+}] = K \times [HA]$

 $K_{a} = \frac{[H_{3}O^{+}][A^{-}]}{[HA]}$   $[H_{3}O^{+}] = K_{a} \times \frac{[HA]}{[A^{-}]}$ 

$$-\log[H_{3}O^{+}] = -\log K_{a} - \log \left(\frac{[HA]}{[A^{-}]}\right)$$

$$pH = pK_a + log \begin{bmatrix} [base] \\ [acid] \end{bmatrix}$$

## HENDERSON-HASSELBALCH EQUATION

In general

$$pH = pK_a + log\left(\frac{C_b}{C_a}\right)$$
 or  $pH = pK_a + log\left(\frac{n_b}{n_a}\right)$ 

-  $C_a$  and  $C_b$  are the analytical concentrations of the acid and the conjugate base, respectively

-  $n_a$  and  $n_b$  are the number of moles of the acid and the conjugate base, respectively

 $C_a = n_a/V$  and  $C_b = n_b/V$  (concentration ratio equals mole ratio)

## **PREPARING BUFFERS**

- Measure the amount of weak acid (HA) to be used [or weak base (B)]

- Calculate the amount of strong base (OH<sup>-</sup>) to be added [or strong acid (H<sup>+</sup>)]

- This makes a mixture of HA and A<sup>-</sup> which is a buffer [or B and BH<sup>+</sup>]

#### Or

- Add the correct proportions of the acid and its conjugate base, then check the pH

## **Question 1**

A buffer solution is made by adding 0.3 mol of acetic acid and 0.3 mol of sodium acetate to enough water to make 1L of solution. Determine the pH of the buffer solution. The K<sub>a</sub> for acetic acid is  $1.8 \times 10^{-5}$ 

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pH = pK_a + log [A^-] / [HA] A^- = sodium acetate HA = acetic acid
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pH = -\log (1.8 \times 10^{-5}) + \log (0.3) / (0.3)
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pH = 4.74Question2

Calculate the pH of the buffer solution after 0.02 moles of sodium hydroxide is added?

1 litre of buffer contains 0.3 moles of sodium acetate and 0.3 moles of acetic acid. Sodium hydroxide is a strong base. The acetic acid will react with the base added to try to maintain the pH. What the acid loses in concentration, the salt (sodium acetate) will gain.

#### $CH_3COOH + OH^- \rightarrow CH_3COO^- + H_2O$

	CH <sub>3</sub> COOH	OH-	CH <sub>3</sub> COO <sup>-</sup>
Initial conc	0.3	0	0.3
Change	0.3 – 0.02	0.02	0.3 + 0.02
Equil. Conc.	0.28	0.02	0.32

 $pH = pK_a + \log [A^-] / [HA]$   $pH = - \log (1.8 \times 10^{-5}) + \log (0.32) / (0.28)$  pH = 4.74 + 0.058pH = 4.8

Calculate the pH of a buffer whose [HA] is 0.1 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> and [A<sup>-</sup>] of 0.1 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>. The K<sub>a</sub> of the weak acid HA is 2 x 10<sup>-4</sup> mol dm<sup>-3</sup>

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re-arrange

 $[H^+(aq)] = [HA(aq)] \times K_a$  $\underline{[A^-(aq)]}$ 

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$$K_{a} = \begin{bmatrix} H^{+}(aq) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A^{-}(aq) \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} HA(aq) \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$
re-arrange
$$[H^{+}(aq)] = \begin{bmatrix} HA(aq) \end{bmatrix} \times K_{a} \\ \begin{bmatrix} A^{-}(aq) \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$
from information given
$$[A^{-}] = 0.1 \mod dm^{-3} \\ \begin{bmatrix} HA \end{bmatrix} = 0.1 \mod dm^{-3}$$

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[HA(aq)]

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$$[H^{+}(aq)] = 0.1 \times 2 \times 10^{-4} = 2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$
  
0.1

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$$[H^+(aq)] = \underbrace{0.1 \times 2 \times 10^{-4}}_{0.1} = 2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

 $pH = -log_{10} [H^+(aq)] = 3.699$ 

Calculate the pH of the solution formed when  $500 \text{ cm}^3$  of 0.1 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> of weak acid HX is mixed with  $500 \text{ cm}^3$  of a 0.2 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> solution of its salt NaX. K<sub>a</sub> = 4 x 10<sup>-5</sup> mol dm<sup>-3</sup>.

$$K_{a} = [H^{+}(aq)] [X^{-}(aq)]$$
$$[HX(aq)]$$

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$$[X^{-}(aq)]$$

The solutions have been mixed; the volume is now 1 dm<sup>3</sup>

therefore [HX] =  $0.05 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  and [X<sup>-</sup>] =  $0.10 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ 



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$$[HX] = 0.05 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$
 and  
 $[X^-] = 0.10 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
Substituting  $[H^+(aq)] = \underbrace{0.05 \times 4 \times 10^{-5}}_{0.1} = 2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ 

 $pH = -log_{10} [H^+(aq)] = 4.699$ 

# **Buffer Solutions**

**Problem:** What is the pH of a buffer that has [HOAc] = 0.700 M and [OAc<sup>-</sup>] = 0.600 M?

HOAc +  $H_2O$   $\rightleftharpoons$  OAc<sup>-</sup> +  $H_3O^+$   $K_a = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$ [HOAc] [OAc<sup>-</sup>] [ $H_3O^+$ ] equilib 0.700 - x 0.600 + x x Assuming that x << 0.700 and 0.600, we have

$$K_a = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{[H_3O^+](0.600)}{0.700}$$

 $[H_3O^+] = 2.1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ and } pH = 4.68$ 

$$pH = pKa + \log \frac{[A^-]}{[HA]}$$
$$pH = 4.74 + \log \frac{[0.600]}{[0.700]}$$
$$pH = 4.68$$

Ex: Calculate pH change when 1.0 mL of 1.0 M HCl is added to 1.0 L acetic acid/sodium acetate buffer with  $[CH_3COOH] = 0.700$  M and  $[CH_3COO^-] = 0.600$  M

 $\begin{array}{c} CH_{3}COOH_{(aq)} \leftrightarrow H^{+}_{(aq)} + CH_{3}COO^{-}_{(aq)} \\ 0.701 \text{ M} & 0.599 \text{ M} \end{array}$ 

 $[\mathrm{H}_{3}\mathrm{O}^{+}] = ka \frac{[\mathrm{CH}_{3}\mathrm{COOH}]}{[\mathrm{CH}_{3}\mathrm{COO}^{-}]}$  $[H_3O^+] = (1.8x10^{-5}) \frac{[0.701]}{[0.599]}$  $[H_3O^+] = 2.1x10^{-5}M$  $pH = -\log[H_3O^+]$ pH = 4.67

# The Henderson Hasselbalch Equation (a little short cut)

- Ex: Calculate pH change when 1.0 mL of 1.0 M HCl is added to 1.0 L acetic acid/sodium acetate buffer with  $[CH_3COOH] = 0.700 \text{ M}$  and  $[CH_3COO^-] = 0.600 \text{ M}$ 
  - As before, after the buffer has neutralized the added HCl, the [CH3COOH] in the buffer will be 0.701 M and the [CH3COO<sup>-</sup>] in the buffer will be 0.599 M.

$$pH = pKa + \log \frac{[A^-]}{[HA]}$$
$$pH = 4.74 + \log \frac{[0.599]}{[0.701]}$$
$$pH = 4.67$$

Calculate the pH of a buffer solution that is 0.040 M CH<sub>3</sub>COONa (aq) and 0.080 M CH<sub>3</sub>COOH (aq). pK<sub>a</sub>(CH<sub>3</sub>COOH(aq)) = 4.75

$CH_{3}COOH(aq) + H_{2}O(I) \Leftrightarrow H_{3}O^{+}(aq) + CH_{3}COO^{-}(aq)$				
	CH <sub>3</sub> COOH(aq)	H <sub>3</sub> O <sup>+</sup> (aq)	CH <sub>3</sub> COO <sup>-</sup> (aq)	
Initial	0.080 M	0	0.040M	
Change	-X	X	0.040 + x	
Equilibrium	0.080 - x	X	0.040 + x	

K<sub>a</sub> = (0.040 + x) x / (0.080 - x) Assume x << 0.040 x = 3.6 x 10<sup>-5</sup> pH = 4.44  $pH = pKa + \log \frac{[A^-]}{[HA]}$ 

 $pH = 4.75 + \log \frac{[0.040]}{[0.080]}$ 

pH = 4.44

# The Common Ion Effect

**QUESTION:** What is the effect on the pH of adding  $NH_4Cl$  to 0.25 M  $NH_3(aq)$ ?  $NH_3(aq) + H_2O \longrightarrow NH_4^+(aq) + OH^-(aq)$ 0.25 M Let us first calculate the pH of a NH<sub>3</sub> solution.  $[NH_3]$  $[\mathrm{NH}_4^+]$ [OH-] initial 0.25 0 0 change +x+x-X equilib 0.25 - x Х X

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$$K_b = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{[NH_4^+][OH^-]}{[NH_3]} = \frac{x^2}{0.25 - x}$$

Assuming x is << 0.25, we have  $[OH^{-}] = x = [K_b(0.25)]^{1/2} = 0.0021 \text{ M}$ This gives pOH = 2.67 and so - - pH = 14.00 - 2.67 = 11.33 for 0.25 M NH<sub>3</sub> What is the pH of a buffer that is 0.12 *M* in lactic acid, CH<sub>3</sub>CH(OH)COOH, and 0.10 *M* in sodium lactate?  $K_a$  for lactic acid is  $1.4 \times 10^{-4}$ .

pH = p
$$K_a$$
 + log  $\frac{\text{[base]}}{\text{[acid]}}$   
pH =  $-\log(1.4 \times 10^{-4}) + \log\frac{(0.10)}{(0.12)}$   
pH =  $3.85 + (-0.08)$ 

pH= 3.77

Suppose you want to make a pH 5.00 buffer---using acetic acid (HA)and sodium acetate (A<sup>-</sup>)

 $pK_a$  of acetic acid = 4.76;

What ratio of HA and A should be used?

 $5.00 = 4.76 + \log x$ ; where  $x = ([A^-]/[HA])$  $0.24 = \log x$  $10^{0.24} = x = 1.74 = ratio of moles conjugate base to acid in solution$  **Example :-**Calculate the pH of a buffer prepared by adding 10mL of 0.1M acetic acid to 20mL of 0.1M sodium acetate ?

$$pH = pK_{a} + \log \frac{[salt]}{[acid]}$$

$$pH = -\log 1.75 \times 10^{-5} + \log \frac{\frac{0.1 \times 20}{30}}{\frac{0.1 \times 10}{30}}$$

pH = 4.76 + log 2.0 = 5.06

We can use millimoles of acids and salt in place of molarity.

Calculate the volume of concentrated ammonia and the weight of ammonium chloride you would have take to prepare 100mL of a buffer at pH 10.0 if the final concentration of salt is to be 0.2M? Where, density of ammonia =  $0.9g/cm^3$  and percentage = 28%.

pOH=pKb+log[salt]/[base]

10+POH=14

pH+POH=14

POH=14-10=4

4=4.76+log0.2[NH3] 4=4.76+log0.2/[NH3]

-0.76=log0.2/[NH3]

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 $10^{-0.76} = \frac{0.2}{[\text{NH}_2]}$  $[NH_3] = \frac{0.2}{10^{-0.76}} = \frac{0.2}{0.173} = 1.15M$  $M_1V_1 = M_2V_2$  $\left(\frac{0.28 \times 0.9 \times 1000}{17}\right) \times V_1 = 1.15 \times 100$  $14.8 \times V_1 = 1.15 \times 100$  $V_1 = 7.8 \text{ mL}$  $M_{NH_4Cl} = \frac{Wt}{M_1Wt} \times \frac{1000}{V_1WL}$  $0.2 = \frac{\text{wt}}{52.5} \times \frac{1000}{100}$  $wt = 1.07 \text{ gm } NH_4Cl$ 

**Example:** A buffer is prepared from 60.0 mL of 0.100 M  $NH_3$ and 40.0 mL of 0.100 M  $NH_4Cl$ . What is the pH of the buffer solution?  $K_b = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$  for  $NH_3$ .

Answer: The buffer involves the  $NH_3/NH_4^+$  conjugate acid/base pair.

 $NH_3(aq) + H_2O(1) \rightleftharpoons NH4^+(aq) + OH^-(aq)$ 

Conc's: Since two solutions are mixed, both have been diluted. Use this:  $V_f = 60.0 \text{ mL} + 40.0 \text{ mL} = 100.0 \text{ mL}$  $[NH_3]_f = V_i M_i / V_f = (60.0 \text{ mL})(0.100 \text{ M})/100.0 \text{ mL} = 0.0600 \text{ M}$  $[NH_4^+]_f = V_i M_i / V_f = (40.0 \text{ mL})(0.100 \text{ M})/100.0 \text{ mL} = 0.0400 \text{ M}$ 

Now, we can calculate pH:

If the  $K_a$  of an acid is  $1.0 \times 10^{-6}$ , pH = 3.00, and the concentration of the unionized acid is  $1.0 \times 10^{-2}$  M, what is the concentration of the salt?

## Solution Given: pH = 3.00, $K_a = 1.0x10^{-6}$ M, and $[HA] = 1.0x10^{-2}$ M

solve for  $[H_3O^+] = 10^{-pH} = 10^{-3} = 1.0 \times 10^{-3} M$ 

 $K_a = \frac{[\underline{H}_3 O^+][A^-]}{[HA]}$ 

rearrange equation to solve for the salt [A<sup>-</sup>]

 $[A^{-}] = K_a \frac{[HA]}{[H_3O^{+}]} = 1.0x10^{-6} M \frac{[1.0x10^{-2} M]}{[1.0x10^{-3} M]}$  $[A^{-}] = 1.0x10^{-5} M$ 

Q1 (a) The pK<sub>a</sub> of HF is 3.17. Calculate the pH of a 1.00-L solution that is 1.00 M HF and 1.50 M NaF.
(b) What is the pH of this solution after addition of 50.0 mLof 10.0 M HCl?
Answer: (a) pH = 3.35
(b) pH = 2.99

Q2;Calculate the pH of a solution prepared by adding 25mL of 0.1M sodium hydroxide to 30mL of 0.2M acetic acid?

• A 1.0 L buffer solution contains 0.50 M NH3 (pKb = 4.75) and 0.20 M NH4Cl. Calculate the pH upon addition of 0.010 mol of solid NaOH.