

Ionic Equilibriums in Water



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In a volumetric flask of 500,0 mL we put 2,456 g NaOAc. We add 25.0 mL HOAc 1.00 mol/L. We fill with water. Calculate pH.

Solution

NaOAc:

$$2.456 \text{ g} = \frac{2.456 \text{ g}}{82.0 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{mol}}} = 0.0300 \text{ mol}$$

25.0 mL HOAc 1.00 mol/L contains 0.0250 mol HOAc.

The concentrations in the mixture are:

$$\text{NaOAc: } \frac{0.0300 \text{ mol}}{0.500 \text{ L}} = 0.0600 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}$$

$$\text{HOAc: } \frac{0.0250 \text{ mol}}{0.500 \text{ L}} = 0.0500 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}$$

NaOAc is a salt, completely dissociated: $\text{NaOAc(aq)} \rightarrow \text{Na}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{OAc}^-(\text{aq})$

Na^+ = weak acid, weaker than water

OAc^- = weak base B

HOAc = conjugate weak acid A

The mixture is a buffer solution.

$$\text{pH}_{\text{buffer}} = \text{p}K_{\text{aHOAc}} + \log \frac{[\text{B}]}{[\text{A}]} = 4.75 + \log \frac{0.0600 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}}{0.0500 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}} = \mathbf{4.83}$$