

## Chapter 8 Activity

Hydrated radius  
Ionic atmosphere

Effect on and insoluble salt

Ionic strength ( $\mu$ )

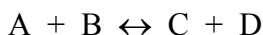
$$\mu = \frac{1}{2} \sum c_i z_i^2$$

Example the ionic strength of a solution consisting of 0.100 M KCl and 0.050 M NaCl

Activity – the “perceived” concentration

$$\mathcal{A}_c = [C]\gamma_c$$

Use Activities in place of concentration



$$K \approx [C][D] / [A][B], \quad K = \mathcal{A}_C \mathcal{A}_D / \mathcal{A}_A \mathcal{A}_B$$

OK! So what is  $\gamma$ ? Activity Coefficient

How do you get  $\gamma$ ? 2 ways

1 extended debye-Huckle eq:  $\log \gamma = -0.51 z^2 (\mu)^{1/2} / (1 + (a^*(\mu)^{1/2} / 305))$

2 Apply Table 8-1 and extrapolate (suggested)

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$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Hg}_2^{2+}] \gamma_{(\text{Hg}_2^{2+})} [\text{Br}^-]^2 \gamma_{(\text{Br}^-)}^2$$

$$2[\text{Hg}_2^{2+}] = [\text{Br}^-]$$

so,

$$K_{\text{sp}} = 4 \gamma_{(\text{Hg}_2^{2+})} \gamma_{(\text{Br}^-)}^2 [\text{Hg}_2^{2+}]^3$$

a) 0.00100 M  $\text{KNO}_3$

$$[\text{K}^+] = [\text{NO}_3^-] = 0.00100$$

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2}[(.001)(+1)^2 + (.001)(-1)^2] = 0.00100$$

$$\gamma(\text{Hg}_2^{2+} \text{ at } \mu = 0.001 \text{ M}) = 0.867$$

$$\gamma(\text{Br}^- \text{ at } \mu = 0.001 \text{ M}) = 0.964$$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = 5.6 \cdot 10^{-23} = 4 \gamma_{(\text{Hg}_2^{2+})} \gamma_{(\text{Br}^-)}^2 [\text{Hg}_2^{2+}]^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{Hg}_2^{2+}] &= (5.6 \cdot 10^{-23}) / [(4) \cdot (0.867) \cdot (0.964)^2] \\ &= 2.6 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ M} \end{aligned}$$

b) 0.0100 M  $\text{KNO}_3$

$$[\text{K}^+] = [\text{NO}_3^-] = 0.0100$$

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2}[(.01)(+1)^2 + (.01)(-1)^2] = 0.0100$$

$$\gamma(\text{Hg}_2^{2+} \text{ at } \mu = 0.01 \text{ M}) = 0.660$$

$$\gamma(\text{Br}^- \text{ at } \mu = 0.01 \text{ M}) = 0.901$$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = 5.6 \cdot 10^{-23} = 4 \gamma_{(\text{Hg}_2^{2+})} \gamma_{(\text{Br}^-)}^2 [\text{Hg}_2^{2+}]^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{Hg}_2^{2+}] &= (5.6 \cdot 10^{-23}) / [(4) \cdot (0.660) \cdot (0.901)^2] \\ &= 3.0 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ M} \end{aligned}$$

c) 0.100 M  $\text{KNO}_3$

$$[\text{K}^+] = [\text{NO}_3^-] = 0.100$$

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2}[(.1)(+1)^2 + (.1)(-1)^2] = 0.100$$

$$\gamma(\text{Hg}_2^{2+} \text{ at } \mu = 0.1 \text{ M}) = 0.355$$

$$\gamma(\text{Br}^- \text{ at } \mu = 0.1 \text{ M}) = 0.755$$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = 5.6 \cdot 10^{-23} = 4 \gamma_{(\text{Hg}_2^{2+})} \gamma_{(\text{Br}^-)}^2 [\text{Hg}_2^{2+}]^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{Hg}_2^{2+}] &= (5.6 \cdot 10^{-23}) / [(4) \cdot (0.355) \cdot (0.755)^2] \\ &= 4.1 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ M} \end{aligned}$$

### Example 8-20

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$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= \frac{1}{2}\{[\text{Li}^+](+1)^2 + [\text{NO}_3^-](-1)^2 + [\text{Na}^+](+1)^2 + [\text{OH}^-](-1)^2\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\{(0.012)(+1)^2 + (0.012)(-1)^2 + (0.010)(+1)^2 + (0.010)(-1)^2\} \\ &= 0.022 \text{ M}\end{aligned}$$

This lies between 0.01 M ( $\gamma(\text{OH}^-) = 0.900$ ) and 0.05 M ( $\gamma(\text{OH}^-) = 0.81$ ) on Table 8.1. We must extrapolate linearly to obtain  $\gamma(\text{OH}^-)$  at  $\mu = 0.022$  M.

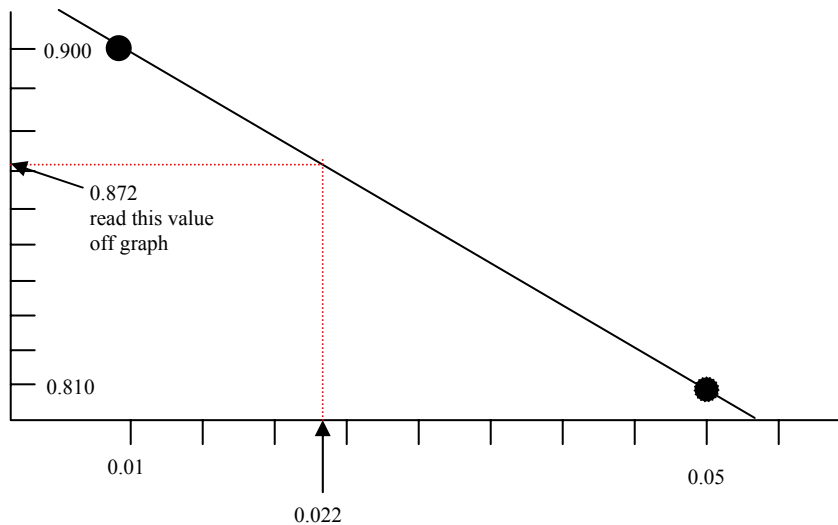
$$\begin{aligned}(0.900-x)/(0.900-0.81) &= (0.01-0.022)/(0.01-0.05) \\ 0.900-x &= ((-0.012)/(-0.04))*(0.09) \\ x &= 0.900 - 0.027 = 0.873\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}A_{\text{H}^+} &= [\text{H}^+]\gamma_{\text{H}^+} = K_w/([\text{OH}^-]\gamma_{\text{OH}^-}) = 10^{-14}/[(0.01)*(.873)] \\ &= 1.2*10^{-12} \text{ M}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log A_{\text{H}^+} = 11.94$$

without using activity  
 $\text{pH} = \log[\text{H}^+] = 12.00$

As an alternative to the above method for finding  $\gamma_{\text{OH}^-}$  at  $\mu = 0.022$  M, you can make a quick graph



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charge balance

$$[\text{OH}^-] + [\text{G}^-] = [\text{FeG}^+] + [\text{H}^+]$$

mass balance 1

$$0.1000 = 2[\text{FeG}_2] + [\text{FeG}^+] + [\text{G}^-] + [\text{HG}]$$

mass balance 2

$$0.0500 = [\text{FeG}_2] + [\text{FeG}^+] \rightarrow [\text{FeG}_2] = 0.0500 - [\text{FeG}^+]$$

$$K_b = [\text{OH}^-][\text{HG}] / [\text{G}^-] \rightarrow [\text{HG}] = K_b [\text{G}^-] \gamma_{\text{G}^-} / [\text{OH}^-] \gamma_{\text{OH}^-}$$

$$K_2 = [\text{FeG}_2] / [\text{G}^-][\text{FeG}^+] \rightarrow [\text{G}^-] = [\text{FeG}_2] / K_2 [\text{FeG}^+] \gamma_{\text{FeG}^+} \gamma_{\text{G}^-}$$

Make substitutions into mass balance 1

$$0.1000 = 2[\text{FeG}_2] + [\text{FeG}^+] + [\text{G}^-] + [\text{HG}]$$

$$0.1000 = 2(0.0500 - [\text{FeG}^+]) + [\text{FeG}^+] + (0.0500 - [\text{FeG}^+]) / K_2 [\text{FeG}^+] \gamma_{\text{FeG}^+} \gamma_{\text{G}^-} + (K_b (0.0500 - [\text{FeG}^+]) \gamma_{\text{G}^-}) / (K_2 [\text{OH}^-] \gamma_{\text{OH}^-} [\text{FeG}^+] \gamma_{\text{FeG}^+} \gamma_{\text{G}^-})$$

Successive approx with excel

$$[\text{FeG}^+] = 0.0811 \text{ M}$$

without activity coefficients

$$[\text{FeG}^+] = 0.01476 \text{ M}$$