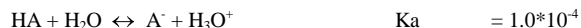


CHEM 311  
Chapter 9

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But  $\text{OH}^-$  and  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  readily react to form water



This last reaction drives both reactions forward until equilibrium is reached, at which point the concentrations of  $\text{A}^-$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{A}^+$  are nearly equal.

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a) 0.100 M solution of  $\text{H}_2\text{M}$



$K_{a1} \gg K_{a2}$ , so we can ignore the effects of the  $K_{a2}$  reaction when we calculate  $[\text{H}_2\text{M}]$  and  $[\text{HM}^-]$ .

$$K_{a1} = 1.00 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{HM}^-]}{[\text{H}_2\text{M}]}$$

Assume  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = [\text{HM}^-]$ , and let  $[\text{HM}^-] = x$

Assume  $F_{\text{H}_2\text{M}} \cong [\text{H}_2\text{M}]$ , then

$$1.00 \times 10^{-4} = x^2 / (0.100 - x)$$

$$x = [\text{HM}^-] = 3.16 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$$

(or  $3.11 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$  w/o assumption)

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 3.16 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = 2.507$$

$$[\text{H}_2\text{M}] = F_{\text{H}_2\text{M}} - x = 9.69 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}$$

$$K_{a2} = 1.00 \times 10^{-8} = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{M}^{2-}]}{[\text{HM}^-]} = \frac{x[\text{M}^{2-}]}{x}$$

$$\text{So, } [\text{M}^{2-}] = 1.00 \times 10^{-8} \text{ M}$$

b)

$$F_{\text{HM}^-} = 0.100 \text{ M}$$

Here we are starting with the intermediate species that when dissolved in water acts as both an acid and a base.



Both dissociations are important and we use the following equation derived in your book and in class to calculate the  $\text{H}^+$  of such a solution.

$$[\text{H}^+] = \left\{ \frac{K_{a1}K_{a2}F + K_{a1}K_w}{K_{a1} + F} \right\}^{1/2}$$

$$K_{a1} = 1.0 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$K_{a2} = 1.0 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$F = 0.100 \text{ M}$$

$$K_w = 1.00 \times 10^{-14}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = \frac{\{[(10^{-4})(10^{-8})(0.1) + (10^{-4})(10^{-14})] / (10^{-4} + 0.1)\}^{1/2}}{1.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ M}}$$

$$\text{pH} = 6.000$$

$$K_{a1} = 1.00 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{HM}^-]}{[\text{H}_2\text{M}]}$$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 10^{-6} \text{ M}$$

Assume  $[\text{HM}^-] \approx 0.100 \text{ M}$  (weak acid and base)

$$1.00 \times 10^{-4} = (10^{-6})(0.100) / x$$

$$x = [\text{H}_2\text{M}] = 10^{-3} \text{ M (assumption justified)}$$

$$K_{a2} = 1.00 \times 10^{-8} = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{M}^{2-}]}{[\text{HM}^-]}$$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 10^{-6} \text{ M}$$

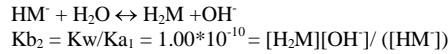
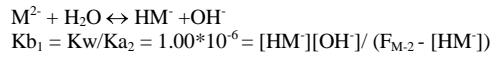
Assume  $[\text{HM}^-] \approx 0.100 \text{ M}$  (weak acid and base)

$$1.00 \times 10^{-8} = \frac{(10^{-6})(x)}{(0.100)}$$

$$x = [\text{M}^{2-}] = 10^{-3} \text{ M (assumption justified)}$$

notice  $[\text{M}^{2-}] = [\text{H}_2\text{M}]$  even though  $K_{a2} > K_{b2}$

c) Now we are starting with the most basic species,  $\text{M}^{2-}$



$K_{b1} \gg K_{b2}$ , so we can ignore the effects of the  $K_{b2}$  reaction when we calculate  $[\text{M}^{2-}]$  and  $[\text{HM}^-]$ .

$$K_{b1} = 1.00 \times 10^{-6} = \frac{[\text{HM}^-][\text{OH}^-]}{(\text{F}_{\text{M}^{2-}} - [\text{HM}^-])}$$

Assume  $\text{F}_{\text{M}^{2-}} \cong [\text{M}^{2-}]$ , then

Assume  $[\text{OH}^-] = [\text{HM}^-]$ , and let  $[\text{HM}^-] = x$

$$1.00 \times 10^{-6} = \frac{x^2}{(0.100)}$$

$$x = [\text{HM}^-] = 3.16 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 3.16 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log(K_w/[\text{OH}^-]) = 10.500$$

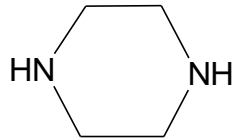
$$[\text{M}^{2-}] = \text{F}_{\text{M}^{2-}} - x = 9.97 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}$$

$$x[\text{H}_2\text{M}]/x = K_{b2} = 1.00 \times 10^{-10} = \frac{[\text{H}_2\text{M}][\text{OH}^-]}{([\text{HM}^-])} =$$

$$\text{So, } [\text{H}_2\text{M}] = 1.00 \times 10^{-10} \text{ M}$$

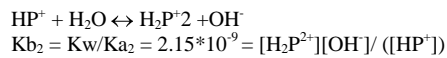
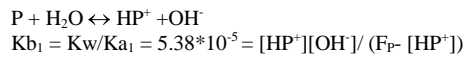
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peperazine



Let P = peperazine

Now we are starting with the most basic species, P



$K_{b1} \gg K_{b2}$ , so we can ignore the effects of the  $K_{b2}$  reaction when we calculate  $[\text{P}]$  and  $[\text{HP}^+]$ .

$$K_{b1} = 1.00 \times 10^{-6} = \frac{[\text{HP}^+][\text{OH}^-]}{(\text{F}_{\text{P}} - [\text{HP}^+])}$$

Assume  $[\text{OH}^-] = [\text{HP}^+]$ , and let  $[\text{HP}^+] = x$

Assume  $\text{F}_{\text{P}} \cong [\text{P}]$ , then

$$5.38 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{x^2}{(0.300)}$$

$$[\text{HP}^+] = [\text{OH}^-] = 4.02 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 2.489 \times 10^{-12} \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = 11.604$$

$$[\text{P}] = 0.300 - 4.02 \times 10^{-3} = 0.296 \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{H}_2\text{P}^{+2}] = \text{Kb}_2 = 2.15 \times 10^{-9} \text{ M}$$

$$\text{Kb}_2 = 2.15 \times 10^{-9} = \frac{[\text{H}_2\text{P}^{+2}][\text{OH}^-]}{([\text{HP}^+] )}$$

$$= \frac{x[\text{H}_2\text{P}^{+2}]}{x}$$

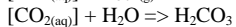
So,  $[\text{H}_2\text{P}^{+2}] = 2.15 \times 10^{-9} \text{ M}$

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$$[\text{H}_2\text{CO}_{2(\text{aq})}] = \text{P}_{\text{CO}_2(\text{g})} \text{ K}$$

$$\text{P}_{\text{CO}_2(\text{g})} = (10^{-3.4} \text{ atm})(1.01325 \text{ bar/atm}) = 4.034\text{E-}4 \text{ bar}$$

$$[\text{CO}_{2(\text{aq})}] = \text{P}_{\text{CO}_2(\text{g})} \text{ K} = 1.276\text{E-}5 \text{ M}$$



$$[\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3] = 1.276\text{E-}5 \text{ M}$$

$$\text{Ka} = 4.46\text{E-}7 \text{ M} = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{HCO}_3^-]}{[\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3]} = \frac{x^2}{(1.276\text{E-}5)}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = x = 2.39\text{E-}6 \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = 5.6$$

IMPORTANT CONCEPTUAL POINT:

The actual concentration  $[\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3]$  at equilibrium is  $1.276\text{E-}5 \text{ M}$ , not  $1.276\text{E-}5 - x$ , because it is controlled by  $\text{P}_{\text{CO}_2}$ , as some  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$  dissociates it is replenished by the  $\text{CO}_{2(\text{g})}$  equilibrium.

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$$\text{pH} = \text{pKa} + \log\left[\frac{\text{mol CO}_3^{2-}}{\text{mol HCO}_3^-}\right]$$

$$\text{pKa} = 10.329$$

$$\text{pH} = 10.00$$

$$-0.329 = \log\left[\frac{\text{mol CO}_3^{2-}}{\text{mol HCO}_3^-}\right]$$

$$0.4688 = \left(\frac{\text{mol CO}_3^{2-}}{\text{mol HCO}_3^-}\right) 11.14$$

$$\left(\frac{5.00 \text{ g NaHCO}_3}{1}\right) \left(\frac{1 \text{ mol HCO}_3^-}{84.005 \text{ g NaHCO}_3}\right) = 5.95 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol HCO}_3^-$$

$$\text{mol CO}_3^{2-} \text{ need} = 0.4688 \times (5.95 \times 10^{-2}) = 2.79 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol CO}_3^{2-}$$

$$\left(2.79 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol CO}_3^{2-}/1\right) \left(\frac{105.987 \text{ g Na}_2\text{CO}_3}{1 \text{ mol}}\right) = 2.96 \text{ g Na}_2\text{CO}_3$$

10-12 in 7<sup>th</sup> Ed.

$$\text{pKa}_1 = 2.972$$



Initial

$$\text{mmol H}_2\text{S} = (25.0 \text{ mL}) \times (0.0233 \text{ M})$$

Let x be number of mmol OH<sup>-</sup> added

Final

$$\text{mmol H}_2\text{S} = (25.0 \text{ mL}) \times (0.0233 \text{ M}) - x$$

$$\text{mmol HS}^- = x$$

$$3.50 = 2.971 + \log \left\{ \frac{x}{((25.0 \text{ mL}) \times (0.0233 \text{ M}) - x)} \right\}$$

$$X = 0.4539 \text{ mmol OH}^-$$

$$\text{Volume OH}^- \text{ required} = (0.4539)/(0.202 \text{ M}) = 2.25 \text{ mL}$$

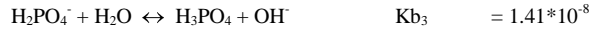
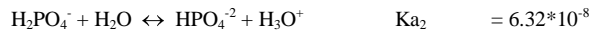
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The pKa of the  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-/\text{HPO}_4^{2-}$  system is 7.2. At pH = 8.5, this system does not provide a high buffer capacity and therefore would not be very effective.

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$$F_{\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-} = 0.050 \text{ M}$$

Here we are starting with the intermediate species that when dissolved in water acts as both an acid and a base.



Both dissociations are important and we use the following equation derived in your book and in class to calculate the pH of such a solution.

$$[\text{H}^+] = \{(K_{a_1}K_{a_2}F + K_{a_1}K_w)/(K_{a_1}+F)\}^{1/2}$$

$$K_{a_1} = 7.11 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$K_{a_2} = 6.32 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$F = 0.0500 \text{ M}$$

$$K_w = 1.00 \times 10^{-14}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = \frac{\{(7.11 \times 10^{-3})(6.32 \times 10^{-8})(0.05) + (7.11 \times 10^{-3})(10^{-14})\}}{7.11 \times 10^{-3} + 0.0500}^{1/2} = 1.98 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$$



$$K_{a_1} = 7.11 \times 10^{-3} = \frac{[\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-][\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]}{[\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4]}$$

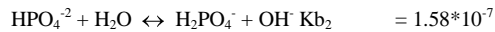
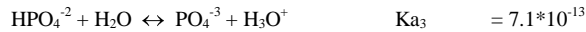
$$\frac{[\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4]}{[\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-]} = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]}{K_{a_1}} = 1.98 \times 10^{-5} / 7.11 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$= 2.79 \times 10^{-3}$$

b)

$$F_{\text{HPO}_4^{2-}} = 0.050 \text{ M}$$

Here we are also starting with the intermediate species that when dissolved in water acts as both an acid and a base.



Both dissociations are important and we use the following equation derived in your book and in class to calculate the pH of such a solution.

$$[\text{H}^+] = \{(K_{a_1}K_{a_2}F + K_{a_1}K_w)/(K_{a_1}+F)\}^{1/2}$$

$$K_{a_1} = 6.32 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$K_{a_2} = 7.1 \times 10^{-13}$$

$$F = 0.0500 \text{ M}$$

$$K_w = 1.00 \times 10^{-14}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = \frac{\{(6.32 \times 10^{-8})(7.1 \times 10^{-13})(0.05) + (6.32 \times 10^{-8})(10^{-14})\}}{6.32 \times 10^{-8} + 0.0500}^{1/2} = 2.398 \times 10^{-10}$$



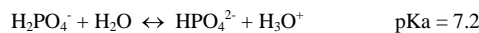
$$K_{a_1} = 7.11 \times 10^{-3} = \frac{[\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-][\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]}{[\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4]}$$

$$\frac{[\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4]}{[\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-]} = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]}{K_{a_1}} = 2.40 \times 10^{-10} / 7.11 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$= 3.37 \times 10^{-8}$$

9.20

a)



Therefore, I would use  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4$  and  $\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_4$

b)

0.0500 M buffer at pH 7.2 (the pKa of the system) in 1 L of solution is needed. I need to add 0.0250 moles of each to a 1 liter flask.

$$(2.50 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol Na}_2\text{HPO}_4/1) * (141.96 \text{ g Na}_2\text{HPO}_4/1 \text{ mol}) =$$

3.55 g Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>

(2.50\*10<sup>-2</sup> mol NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>/1)\*(119.98 g NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>/1 mol) =  
3.00 g NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>

- c) Add 6.00 M NaOH dropwise until you reach the desired pH.  
7.45 = 7.2 + log[(25+x)/(25-x)], x = 7 mmol required.  
It should take about 1.2 mL.

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- a) HA  
b) A<sup>-</sup>  
c) at pH 7, quotient = 1.00; at pH 6, quotient = 0.100; at pH = 8, quotient = 10.0

9-25

- a) pH = pK<sub>a1</sub> = 4.00  
b) pH = pK<sub>a2</sub> = 8.00  
c) H<sub>2</sub>A  
d) HA<sup>-</sup>  
e) A<sup>2-</sup>

9-26

- a) pK<sub>a</sub> = 14.00 - pK<sub>b</sub> = 9.00  
b) pH = pK<sub>a</sub> = 9.00  
c) BH<sup>+</sup>  
d) K<sub>a</sub> = [B][H<sup>+</sup>]/[BH<sup>+</sup>], so  
[B]/[BH<sup>+</sup>] = K<sub>a</sub>/[H<sup>+</sup>] = 10<sup>-9</sup>/10<sup>-12</sup> = 10<sup>3</sup>

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$$\alpha_{HA} = [H^+]/([H^+] + K_a) = 10^{-5}/(10^{-4} + 10^{-5}) = 0.0909$$

$$\alpha_{A^-} = [K_a]/([H^+] + K_a) = 10^{-4}/(10^{-4} + 10^{-5}) = 0.909$$

$$\alpha_{HA}/\alpha_{A^-} = 0.100 = [HA]/[A^-]$$

$$K_a = [H_3O^+][A^-]/[HA]$$

A little algebra and

$$[HA][A^-] = [H_3O^+]/K_a = 10^{-5}/10^{-4} = 0.100$$

The answers do match!!!!

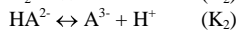
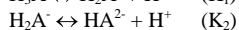
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Using the fractional composition equation for a diprotic system derived on pg 255 of your book in conjunction with a spread sheet analysis this problem can be done in about 5 minutes using excel.

The answers in units of mol/L are

	1.00	1.19	6.00	6.33	10.00
$\alpha_{H_2A}$	0.89	0.500	$5.5 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.9 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.74 \times 10^{-12}$
$\alpha_{HA^-}$	0.110	0.500	0.682	0.500	$2.14 \times 10^{-4}$
$\alpha_{A^{2-}}$	$5.10 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.89 \times 10^{-5}$	0.318	0.500	0.9998

9.32



$$K_1 = [H^+][H_2A^-]/[H_3A] \quad \rightarrow \quad [H_2A^-] = [H_3A]\{K_1/[H^+]\} \quad (1)$$

$$K_2 = [H^+][HA^{2-}]/[H_2A^-] \quad \rightarrow \quad [HA^{2-}] = [H_2A^-]\{K_2/[H^+]\} \quad (2)$$

$$K_3 = [H^+][A^{3-}]/[HA^{2-}] \quad \rightarrow \quad [A^{3-}] = [HA^{2-}]\{K_3/[H^+]\} \quad (3)$$

Mass balance equation

$$F = [H_3A] + [H_2A^-] + [HA^{2-}] + [A^{3-}]$$

First solve for the  $\alpha_{H_3A}$ . To do these we need to write expression that put the three other species in terms of H<sub>3</sub>A.

$$\text{We already have eq 1 } [H_2A^-] = [H_3A]\{K_1/[H^+]\}$$

Now substitute this into eq 2 to get

$$[\text{HA}^{2-}] = [\text{H}_3\text{A}]\{\text{K}_1\text{K}_2/[\text{H}^+]^2\}$$

Substitute this into eq 3 to get

$$[\text{A}^{3-}] = [\text{H}_3\text{A}]\{\text{K}_1\text{K}_2\text{K}_3/[\text{H}^+]^3\}$$

Substitute these three new equations into the mass balance equation

$$F = [\text{H}_3\text{A}] + [\text{H}_3\text{A}]\{\text{K}_1/[\text{H}^+]\} + [\text{H}_3\text{A}]\{\text{K}_1\text{K}_2/[\text{H}^+]^2\} + [\text{H}_3\text{A}]\{\text{K}_1\text{K}_2\text{K}_3/[\text{H}^+]^3\}$$

$$F = [\text{H}_3\text{A}](1 + \text{K}_1/[\text{H}^+] + \text{K}_1\text{K}_2/[\text{H}^+]^2 + \text{K}_1\text{K}_2\text{K}_3/[\text{H}^+]^3)$$

$$F/[\text{H}_3\text{A}] = 1 + \text{K}_1/[\text{H}^+] + \text{K}_1\text{K}_2/[\text{H}^+]^2 + \text{K}_1\text{K}_2\text{K}_3/[\text{H}^+]^3$$

Get a common denominator

$$F/[\text{H}_3\text{A}] = ([\text{H}^+]^3 + [\text{H}^+]^2\text{K}_1 + [\text{H}^+]\text{K}_1\text{K}_2 + \text{K}_1\text{K}_2\text{K}_3) / [\text{H}^+]^3$$

Flip the numerator and denominator on both sides

$$\alpha_{\text{H}_3\text{A}} = [\text{H}_3\text{A}]/F = [\text{H}^+]^3 / ([\text{H}^+]^3 + [\text{H}^+]^2\text{K}_1 + [\text{H}^+]\text{K}_1\text{K}_2 + \text{K}_1\text{K}_2\text{K}_3)$$

Next I will solve for  $\alpha_{\text{H}_2\text{A}^-}$ . To do these we need to write expression that put the three other species in terms of  $\text{H}_2\text{A}^-$ .

rearranging eq 1 we get  $[\text{H}_3\text{A}] = [\text{H}_2\text{A}^-]\{[\text{H}^+]/\text{K}_1\}$

eq 2 gives us the expression for  $\text{HA}^{2-}$

$$[\text{HA}^{2-}] = [\text{H}_2\text{A}^-]\{\text{K}_2/[\text{H}^+]\}$$

Substitute this into eq 3 to get

$$[\text{A}^{3-}] = [\text{H}_2\text{A}^-]\{\text{K}_2\text{K}_3/[\text{H}^+]^2\}$$

Substitute these three new equations into the mass balance equation

$$F = [\text{H}_2\text{A}^-]\{[\text{H}^+]/\text{K}_1\} + [\text{H}_2\text{A}^-] + [\text{H}_2\text{A}^-]\{\text{K}_2/[\text{H}^+]\} + [\text{H}_2\text{A}^-]\{\text{K}_2\text{K}_3/[\text{H}^+]^2\}$$

$$F = [\text{H}_2\text{A}^-]( [\text{H}^+]/\text{K}_1 + 1 + \text{K}_2/[\text{H}^+] + \text{K}_2\text{K}_3/[\text{H}^+]^2 )$$

$$F/[\text{H}_2\text{A}^-] = [\text{H}^+]/\text{K}_1 + 1 + \text{K}_2/[\text{H}^+] + \text{K}_2\text{K}_3/[\text{H}^+]^2$$

Get a common denominator

$$F/[\text{H}_2\text{A}^-] = ([\text{H}^+]^3 + [\text{H}^+]^2\text{K}_1 + [\text{H}^+]\text{K}_1\text{K}_2 + \text{K}_1\text{K}_2\text{K}_3) / \text{K}_1[\text{H}^+]^2$$

Flip the numerator and denominator on both sides

$$\alpha_{\text{H}_2\text{A}^-} = [\text{H}_2\text{A}^-]/F = (\text{K}_1[\text{H}^+]^2) / ([\text{H}^+]^3 + [\text{H}^+]^2\text{K}_1 + [\text{H}^+]\text{K}_1\text{K}_2 + \text{K}_1\text{K}_2\text{K}_3)$$

Next I will solve for  $\alpha_{\text{HA}^{2-}}$ . To do these we need to write expression that put the three other species in terms of  $\text{HA}^{2-}$ .

Eq 3 gives us an expression for  $\text{A}^{3-}$   $[\text{A}^{3-}] = [\text{HA}^{2-}]\{\text{K}_3/[\text{H}^+]\}$

Rearrange eq 2 to get

$$[\text{H}_2\text{A}^-] = [\text{HA}^{2-}]\{[\text{H}^+]/\text{K}_2\}$$

Rearrange eq 1 and substitute  $[\text{H}_3\text{A}] = [\text{HA}^{2-}]\{[\text{H}^+]^2/\text{K}_1\text{K}_2\}$

$$F = [\text{HA}^{2-}]\{[\text{H}^+]^2/\text{K}_1\text{K}_2\} + [\text{HA}^{2-}]\{[\text{H}^+]/\text{K}_2\} + [\text{HA}^{2-}] + [\text{HA}^{2-}]\{\text{K}_3/[\text{H}^+]\}$$

$$F = [\text{HA}^{2-}]( [\text{H}^+]^2/\text{K}_1\text{K}_2 + [\text{H}^+]/\text{K}_2 + 1 + \text{K}_3/[\text{H}^+] )$$

$$F/[\text{H}_2\text{A}^-] = [\text{H}^+]^2/\text{K}_1\text{K}_2 + [\text{H}^+]/\text{K}_2 + 1 + \text{K}_3/[\text{H}^+]$$

Get a common denominator

$$F/[\text{H}_2\text{A}^-] = ([\text{H}^+]^3 + [\text{H}^+]^2\text{K}_1 + [\text{H}^+]\text{K}_1\text{K}_2 + \text{K}_1\text{K}_2\text{K}_3) / \text{K}_1\text{K}_2[\text{H}^+]$$

Flip the numerator and denominator on both sides

$$\alpha_{\text{HA}^{2-}} = [\text{HA}^{2-}]/F = (\text{K}_1\text{K}_2[\text{H}^+]) / ([\text{H}^+]^3 + [\text{H}^+]^2\text{K}_1 + [\text{H}^+]\text{K}_1\text{K}_2 + \text{K}_1\text{K}_2\text{K}_3)$$

Finally I will solve for  $\alpha_{\text{A}^{3-}}$ . To do these we need to write expression that put the three other species in terms of  $\text{HA}^{2-}$ .

rearrange eq 3 to get  $[HA^{2-}] = [A^{3-}]\{[H^+]/K_3\}$

Rearrange eq 2 and substitute  $[H_2A^-] = [A^{3-}]\{[H^+]^2/K_2K_3\}$

Rearrange eq 1 and substitute  $[H_3A] = [A^{3-}]\{[H^+]^3/K_1K_2K_3\}$

$$F = [A^{3-}]\{[H^+]^3/K_1K_2K_3\} + [A^{3-}]\{[H^+]^2/K_2K_3\} + [A^{3-}]\{[H^+]/K_3\} + [A^{3-}]$$

$$F = [A^{3-}]\{([H^+]^3/K_1K_2K_3 + [H^+]^2/K_2K_3 + [H^+]/K_3 + [A^{3-}])\}$$

$$F/[A^{3-}] = [H^+]^3/K_1K_2K_3 + [H^+]^2/K_2K_3 + [H^+]/K_3 + [A^{3-}]$$

Get a common denominator

$$F/[A^{3-}] = ([H^+]^3 + [H^+]^2K_1 + [H^+]K_1K_2 + K_1K_2K_3) / K_1K_2K_3$$

Flip the numerator and denominator on both sides

$$\alpha_{A^{3-}} = [A^{3-}]/F = (K_1K_2K_3) / ([H^+]^3 + [H^+]^2K_1 + [H^+]K_1K_2 + K_1K_2K_3)$$

9.33

It does not matter what else is in solution, the alpha fraction is dictated by the  $[H^+]$  and the  $K_a$  for the ammonia/ammonium monoprotic system.

$$K_a(NH_4^+) = 5.69 \cdot 10^{-10}$$

$$[H^+] = 1.000 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ M}$$

$$\alpha_{NH_3} = (5.69 \cdot 10^{-10}) / (5.69 \cdot 10^{-10} + 1.000 \cdot 10^{-9}) = 0.363$$

9.40

Isoionic point is given by

$$[H^+] = [(K_1K_2F + K_wK_1) / (K_1 + F)]^{1/2} =$$

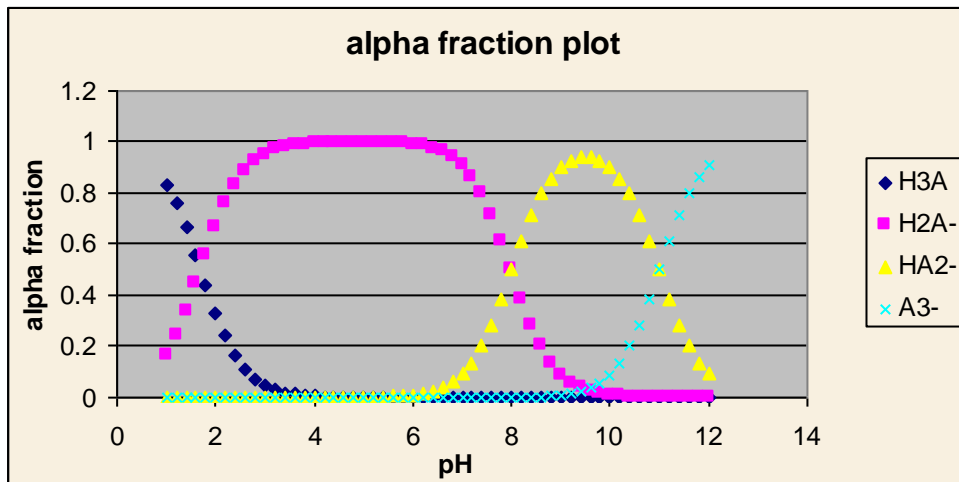
For a 0.010 M solution of threonine,  $K_1 = 8.17 \cdot 10^{-3}$ ,  $K_2 = 7.94 \cdot 10^{-10}$ , and  $F = 0.010 \text{ M}$

$$[H^+] = [(K_1K_2F + K_wK_1) / (K_1 + F)]^{1/2} = 2.449 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ M, pH} = 5.61$$

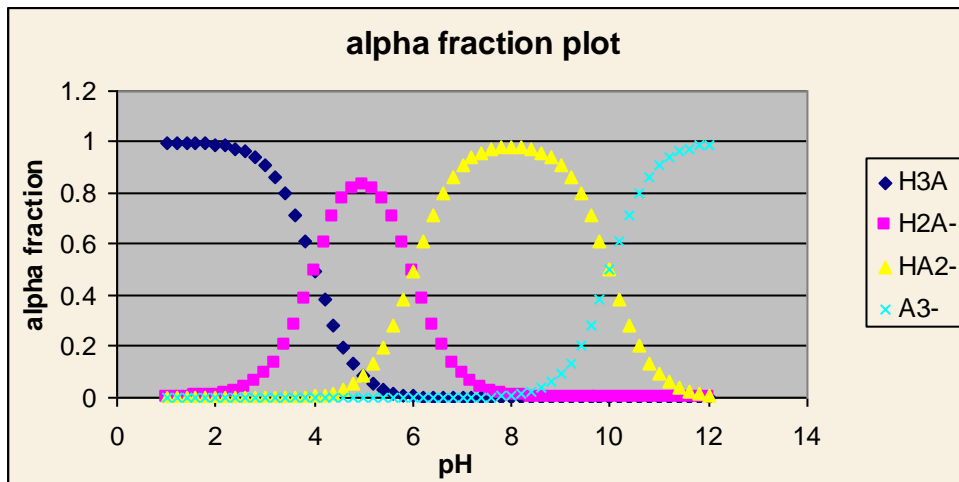
$$\text{Isoelectric point} = (pK_1 + pK_2) / 2 = 5.59$$

Alpha fraction plots for a triprotic system are shown below. Notice how (plot 1 and 3), when two dissociation constant are within 2 orders of magnitude, the alpha fraction for the corresponding intermediate species will never approach very close to 1. Also notice (plot 2) the strong weak acids ( $K > .001$ ) and strong weak bases ( $K_b < .001$ ), the alpha fraction of the principle species never reach 1. This is because dissociation is not negligible.

$K_1 = 10^{-4}$   
 $K_2 = 10^{-8}$   
 $K_3 = 10^{-10}$



$K_1 = 10^{-2}$   
 $K_2 = 10^{-8}$   
 $K_3 = 10^{-11}$



$K_1 = 10^{-4}$   
 $K_2 = 10^{-6}$   
 $K_3 = 10^{-10}$