Exam 5, Part III CHEM 222 30 Points Due in class, April 14, 2021

You may complete the following individually, or with one (1) partner. You may use your textbook and notes, but may not receive assistance from your classmates or anyone other than Dr. Lamp. *This signed sheet must accompany the completed assignment*. By signing below, you certify that you completed the problems in accordance with these rules. No credit will be given to unsigned papers.

Signature

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To complete this portion of the exam, prepare a *generic* spreadsheet program that will allow you to calculate a curve for the titration of a weak diprotic acid with a strong base. The spreadsheet should allow you to enter $\mathbf{pK_a}$'s for each dissociation, and concentration and volume of analyte and concentration of titrant used and must output two plots: (1) a plot of the fraction of dissociation of the acid as a function of pH (see Figure 9-4 in the 8th edition (10-4 in the 9th) as an example), and (2) a plot of the titration curve, using at least 100 points. Section 10-10 in the 8th edition (11-10 in the 9th) introduces one approach to this challenge. To demonstrate the utility of your spreadsheet, use it to complete the following tasks:

- 1. Model the titration of 25.00 mL of an 110.0 mM solution of *adipic acid* with 0.125 M KOH. For adipic acid, $pK_{a1} = 4.42$ and $pK_{a2} = 5.42$.
- Model the titration of your unknown acid from the K_a experiment. Use your experimental conditions and your best guess for the identity of your acid. If your unknown was triprotic, you only need to consider the first two K_a's. If your acid was monoprotic, use a value of 20 for pK_{a2}. (If you are working with a partner, you need only model one of your unknowns.)
- 3. Using the results from the model created in Task 2, above, plot the experimental data from your K_a experiment <u>on the same axes</u> as the theoretical curve and provide a brief discussion of the similarities and differences in the data and whether the simulation supports your identification of the unknown acid. (If you are working with a partner, you need only plot and analyze one of your unknown data sets.)

Requirements: Submit both a hardcopy of your spreadsheet plots for each task, as well as an electronic copy of the spreadsheet file itself, with the data corresponding to Task 1 above. The spreadsheet file must be uploaded to the "Exam 5 Part III" assignment on our Blackboard course page. <u>Your hardcopy must</u> include (a) this signed sheet, (b) two plots from Task 1, (c) two plots from Task 2, and (d) one plot and a discussion from Task 3. *If you work with a partner, you only need to submit one electronic version and one hardcopy of the assignment*.

Grading Criteria: As I grade your spreadsheets, I will be comparing your results to those of a simulation that I have prepared (20 points). I will also input data for a third titration and examine the flexibility of your approach (5 points) and evaluate your comparison to experimental data in Task 3 (5 points).



Key Characteristics:

Point A: At pH = 4.42, $\alpha_{H2A} = \alpha_{HA-} = 0.5$

Point B: At pH = 4.92, α_{HA-} is maximized at about 0.61 and $\alpha_{H2A} \approx \alpha_{A2-} \approx 0.19$ Point C: At pH = 5.42, $\alpha_{HA-} = \alpha_{A2-} = 0.5$



Key Characteristics:

Point A: At v = 0 mL, pH \approx 2.7 Point B: At v = 11.0 mL, pH = pK_{a1} = 4.42. Point C: At v = 22.0 mL (1st equivalence point), pH = ½(pK_{a1} + pK_{a2}) = 4.92 Point D: At v = 33.0 mL, pH = pK_{a2} = 5.42 Point E: At v = 44.0 mL (2nd equivalence point), pH = 9.0 Point F: Maximum pH = 13.1 (pH of 0.125 M NaOH) occurs at large volumes

Task 1





Key Characteristics:

Point A: At pH = 2.03, $\alpha_{H2A} = \alpha_{HA-} = 0.5$

Point B: At pH = 3.4, α_{HA-} is maximized at about 0.93 and $\alpha_{H2A} \approx \alpha_{A2-} \approx 0.035$ Point C: At pH = 4.82, $\alpha_{HA-} = \alpha_{A2-} = 0.5$



Key Characteristics:

Point A: At v = 0 mL, pH \approx 1.6 Point B: At v = 6.25 mL, pH \approx pK_{a1} \approx 2.03. Point C: At v = 12.5 mL (1st equivalence point), pH = ½(pK_{a1} + pK_{a2}) = 3.4 Point D: At v = 18.75 mL, pH \approx pK_{a2} \approx 4.82 Point E: At v = 25.0 mL (2nd equivalence point), pH \approx 8.76 Point F: Maximum pH = 13.3 (pH of 0.200 M NaOH) occurs at large volumes

Task 3:

Your score is based upon plotting your data and your discussion comparing your experimental data to the curve predicted by your spreadsheet model.