Lecture 6

Titrations I

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Acid and Base Titration Apparatus flask + buret



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Titrant-stuff in the buret



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Example Neutralization Reactions

- 1. Strong acid (like HCl) titrated by a strong base (like KOH): $H^+ + OH^- \rightarrow H_2O$
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V_{NaOH} = 0.0500 L

Working with mmols (p. 101)

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Using mmol/mL definition for molarity:

 $M_{\rm A}V_{\rm A} = M_{\rm B}V_{\rm B}$, 0.500 $M(100.0 \text{ mL}) = 1.00 M(V_{\rm NaOH})$, $V_{\rm NaOH} = 50.0 \text{ mL}$

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Vol 1.0 M HCl added

More Titration (pH) Curves

pH curve for a weak acid titrated by strong base

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Clicker Question

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pH curve for a strong base titrated by strong acid

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Weak Acid vs. Strong Acid Titration

Vol NaOH

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