

# Chapter 11 - Acid-Base Titrations

Homework: Due Monday, March 2

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# Titration of Acids & Bases

- Allows for the determination of the quantities of the acidic and basic components present in a mixture.
- Allows for the determination of the  $K_a$ 's
- Provides some information about buffer capacities.
- Use the equations from Chapters 9 and 10 to construct titration curves.

# Regions of the Titration Curve a Monoprotic Acid

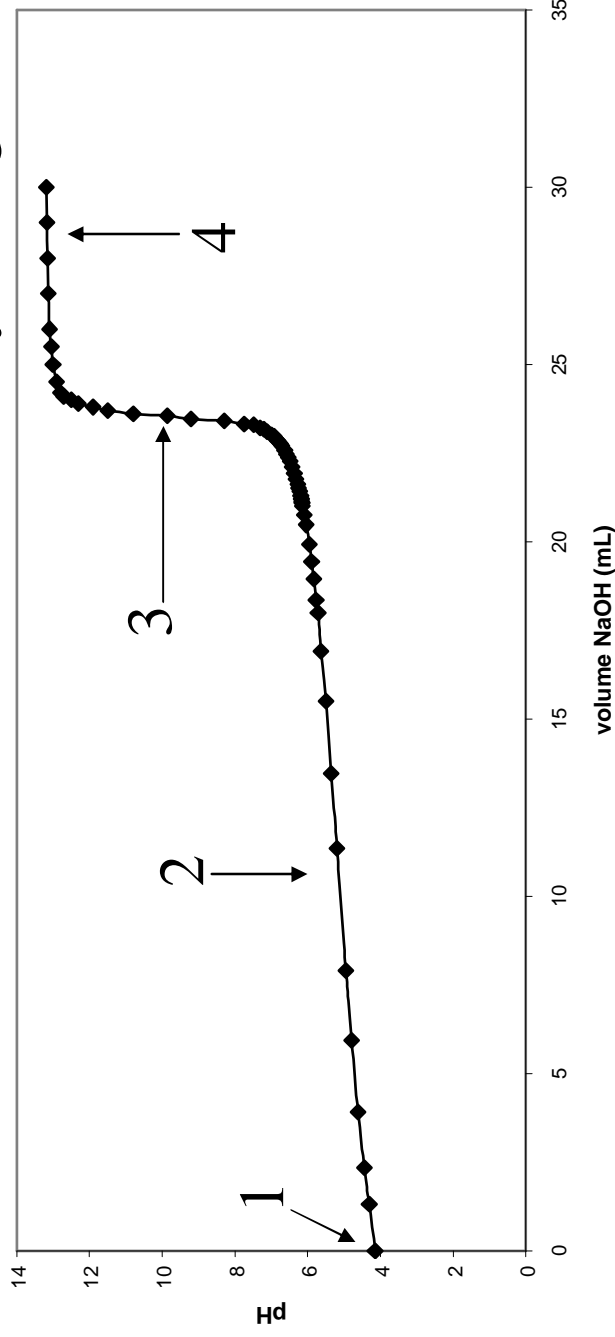
Region 1: Initial point (no base added)

Region 2: Before equivalence point (buffer region)

Region 3: Equivalence point

Region 4: After equivalence point (excess base)

Titration Curve (weak acid titrated by strong base)



# Determining pH of Different Regions of the Titration Curve a Monoprotic Weak Acid

The first step is to determine the volume of base needed to reach the equivalence point. Use the concentration and volume of acid.

Region 1: Initial point (no base added) – The pH is determined from the concentration of the weak acid.  $x^2/(F-x) = K_a$   $x = [H^+]$

Region 2: Before equivalence point (buffer region) – The pH is determined using the Henderson-Hasselbalch equation (buffer)  
$$pH = pK_a + \log([base]/[acid])$$

Region 3: Equivalence point – The pH is determined from the concentration of the weak acid (now converted to its conjugate base) and the dilution factor.

Region 4: After equivalence point (excess base) – The pH is determined from the concentration of excess  $[OH^-]$  present.

Calculate the pH at each point for the titration of 100.0 mL of 0.100 M cocaine ( $K_b = 2.6 \times 10^{-6}$ ) with 0.200 M  $\text{HNO}_3$ .  $V_a = 0.0, 10.0, 20.0, 25.0, 30.0, 40.0, 49.9, 50.0, 50.1, 51.0,$  and 60.0 mL. Draw a graph of pH versus  $V_a$ .