

Solutions

Note: The significant figures in the concentration of $[H^+]$ or $[OH^-]$ is equal to the number of decimal places in the pH or pOH and vice versa.

- 1) Find the pH of a 9.8×10^{-4} M HI solution.

$$\text{pH} = -\log(9.8 \times 10^{-4}) = 3.01$$

- 2) Find the pH of a 2.76×10^{-4} M NaOH solution.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{pOH} &= -\log(2.76 \times 10^{-4}) = 3.559 \\ \text{pH} &= 14.000 - 3.559 = 10.441\end{aligned}$$

- 3) Find the pH of a solution made by diluting 35 mL of 4.5 M HNO_3 to a final volume of 2.25 L.

$$M_1V_1 = M_2V_2$$

$$M_2 = \frac{M_1V_1}{V_2} = \frac{(4.5 \text{ M})(35 \text{ mL})}{(2250 \text{ mL})} = 0.070 \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log(0.070) = 1.15$$

- 4) Find the pH of 4.75 L of an aqueous solution that contains 3.20 grams of HCl and 1.85 grams of nitrous acid.

$$3.20 \text{ g HCl} \times \frac{1 \text{ mole HCl}}{36.45 \text{ g HCl}} = 0.0878 \text{ mole HCl}$$

$$1.85 \text{ g HNO}_2 \times \frac{1 \text{ mole HNO}_2}{47 \text{ g HNO}_2} = 0.0394 \text{ mole HNO}_2$$

$$0.0878 \text{ mole HCl} + 0.0394 \text{ mole HNO}_2 = 0.1272 \text{ moles acid}$$

$$\frac{0.1272 \text{ moles acid}}{4.75 \text{ L H}_2\text{O}} = 0.0268 \text{ M acid solution}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log(0.0268) = 1.572$$

- 5) Find the pOHs for the solutions in problems 1 – 4 above:

$$\#1) \quad \text{pOH} = 14.00 - 3.01 = 10.99$$

$$\#2) \quad \text{pOH} = 3.559$$

$$\#3) \quad \text{pOH} = 14.00 - 1.15 = 12.85$$

$$\#4) \quad \text{pOH} = 14.000 - 1.572 = 12.428$$