

Into 150 mL of the 0.50 M KNO_3 (aq) solution was added 2.0 g of KHTart (solid).

Calculate the concentration of HTart^- anion in this solution.

1. Calculating mass of KNO_3 solution:

$m_{\text{sol}} = V \cdot \rho$, where V – volume of solution, $\rho = 1.029$ g/mL – density of 0.5 M KNO_3 (aq) solution (from the chemical handbook); $m_{\text{sol}} = 150 \cdot 1.029 = 154.35$ g;

2. Calculating mass of solid KNO_3 , dissolved in water:

$m_{\text{KNO}_3} = V \cdot C \cdot M_{\text{KNO}_3} / 1000$, where C – molar concentration of KNO_3 in solution, $M_{\text{KNO}_3} = 101$ g/mol;

$m_{\text{KNO}_3} = 150 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 101 / 1000 = 7.58$ g;

3. Calculating mass of pure water:

$m_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = m_{\text{sol}} - m_{\text{KNO}_3} = 154.35 - 7.58 = 146.77$ g;

4. Calculating mass of KHTart, which will dissolve in such amount of water:

$m_{\text{KHTart}} = m_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} \cdot S_{\text{KHTart}} / 100$, where $S_{\text{KHTart}} = 0.54$ g – solubility of KHTart in 100 g of water at 20°C (from the chemical handbook); $m_{\text{KHTart}} = 146.77 \cdot 0.54 / 100 = 0.793$ g

5. Calculating the molar concentration of HTart^- anion in this solution, it will be the same as the molar concentration of dissolved salt KHTart, because that is a strong electrolyte, which fully dissociates:

$$C_{\text{HTart}^-} = C_{\text{KHTart}} = \frac{m_{\text{KHTart}} \cdot 1000}{V \cdot M_{\text{KHTart}}} = \frac{0.793 \cdot 1000}{150 \cdot 188} = 0.0281 \text{ M}$$

Answer: 0.0281 mol/L