

Question #46389, Chemistry, Physical Chemistry

0.1 M of HCl and 0.1M of CH₃COOH each of 100ml are mixed. Find the pH of solution.

Answer:

In a solution containing a mixture of weak and strong acids, the hydrogen ion concentration is determined by the concentration of a strong acid.

$$\text{pH} = -\lg C(\text{HCl})$$

because solution volume increased by 2 times, then the concentration of hydrochloric acid in 2-fold decrease:

$$C(\text{HCl}) = 0.1\text{M} / 2 = 0.05\text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\lg(0.05) = \mathbf{4.32}$$