

Homework Assignment 3
CE 59700 008, Fall 2009

1. Draw a diagram that shows the solubility of $\text{Cd}(\text{OH})_{2,s}$ as a function of solution pH, and that also shows the concentration of other cadmium hydroxide complexes in a saturated solution. From inspection of your graph, at what pH does $\text{Cd}(\text{OH})_{2,s}$ have minimum solubility?

Reactions:	Equilibrium Constant
1. $\text{Cd}(\text{OH})_{2,s} \leftrightarrow \text{Cd}^{2+} + 2\text{OH}^-$	$K_{sp} = 2 \times 10^{-14}$
2. $\text{Cd}^{2+} + \text{OH}^- \leftrightarrow \text{Cd}(\text{OH})^+$	$K_1 = 10^{6.08}$
3. $\text{Cd}(\text{OH})^+ + \text{OH}^- \leftrightarrow \text{Cd}(\text{OH})_{2,aq}$	$K_2 = 10^{2.62}$
4. $\text{Cd}(\text{OH})_{2,aq} + \text{OH}^- \leftrightarrow \text{Cd}(\text{OH})_3^-$	$K_3 = 10^{-0.32}$
5. $\text{Cd}(\text{OH})_3^- + \text{OH}^- \leftrightarrow \text{Cd}(\text{OH})_4^{2-}$	$K_3 = 10^{0.04}$

2. With the formation constants provided below, find the concentrations of all copper species in water at pH = 6 and at pH = 7, with a total soluble copper concentration of 10^{-6} M.

Reactions:	Equilibrium Constant
1. $\text{Cu}^{2+} + \text{OH}^- \leftrightarrow \text{Cu}(\text{OH})^+$	$\beta_1 = 10^{6.3}$
2. $\text{Cu}^{2+} + 2 \text{OH}^- \leftrightarrow \text{Cu}(\text{OH})_{2,aq}$	$\beta_2 = 10^{12.8}$
3. $\text{Cu}^{2+} + 3 \text{OH}^- \leftrightarrow \text{Cu}(\text{OH})_3^-$	$\beta_3 = 10^{14.5}$
4. $\text{Cu}^{2+} + 4 \text{OH}^- \leftrightarrow \text{Cu}(\text{OH})_4^{2-}$	$\beta_3 = 10^{16.4}$

3. A solution contains 2×10^{-3} M Ca^{2+} and 3×10^{-4} M Mg^{2+} . The Formation constants for CaEDTA^{2-} and MgEDTA^{2-} are $10^{10.6}$ and $10^{8.7}$, respectively. Calculate:
- The concentration of MgEDTA^{2-} after the addition of 1.5×10^{-3} M EDTA^{4-} to the solution.
 - The concentration of MgEDTA^{2-} after the addition of 2.0×10^{-3} M EDTA^{4-} to the solution. Does the presence of Mg^{2+} significantly interfere with the determination of Ca^{2+} by the EDTA^{4-} titration method?
4. A water has an initial Ca^{2+} concentration of 2 mM, and the total concentration of inorganic carbon in solution is 20 mM. It is desired to reduce $[\text{Ca}^{2+}]$ to 0.2 mM by precipitation of $\text{CaCO}_{3,s}$. What minimum pH would be required to effect this removal, and what would be the final molar concentration of inorganic dissolved carbon? The solubility product of $\text{CaCO}_{3,s}$ is $K_{sp} = 5 \times 10^{-9}$.