

18.9 SILLÈN DIAGRAM FOR CO₂

Partial Pressure of CO₂ $y_{CO_2}P = 0.5$ bar.

find pH of solution
and concentrations.

Sillèn Diagram for fixed partial pressure of CO₂.

Diagram quite different from Example 18.5 when partial pressure is fixed.

Step 1: [H⁺] and [OH⁻] lines.
Step 2: Material Balance

$$K_{H,CO_2} = 0.035 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{kg-bar}} = \frac{a_{CO_2,T}}{y_{CO_2}P}$$

$$K_{H,CO_2}(y_{CO_2}P) = a_{CO_2,T} = [CO_2]_T = [CO_2] + [H_2CO_3]$$

$$0.035(0.5) = 0.0175 \text{ M} = [CO_2]_T$$

$$\log(0.0175) = -1.757 = \log[CO_2]_T$$

Sillèn Diagram

Step 3: Equilibria Constraints

Table 18.2, E.4

$$pK_{a,1} = 6.351 \quad K_{a,1} = \frac{[HCO_3^-][H^+]}{[CO_2]_T}$$

$$\log K_{a,1} = \log[HCO_3^-] + \log[H^+] - \log[CO_2]_T$$

$$pK_{a,2} = 10.33 \quad K_{a,2} = \frac{[CO_3^{2-}][H^+]}{[HCO_3^-]}$$

$$\log K_{a,2} = \log[CO_3^{2-}] + \log[H^+] - \log[HCO_3^-]$$

Sillèn Diagram

Step 4: Electroneutrality

Step 5: Diagram

Step 6: Proton condition