

Metal Ion Indicators

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11-23. Explain why the change from red to blue in the following reaction



occurs suddenly at the equivalence point instead of gradually throughout the entire titration.

Ans :-

Only a small amount of indicator is employed. Most of the Mg^{2+} is not bound to indicator.

The free Mg^{2+} reacts with EDTA before Mg In reacts. Therefore the concentration of Mg In is constant until all of the Mg^{2+} has been consumed.

only when Mg In begins to react does the colour change.

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~~11-24~~. List four methods for detecting the end point of an EDTA titration.

Ans:-

1. with metal ion indicators.
2. with a mercury electrode.
3. with an ion-selective electrode.
4. with a glass electrode.

~~11-25~~ calcium ion was titrated with EDTA at pH-11, using Calmagite as indicator (Table 13-3). Which is the principal species of calmagite at pH 11? What colour was observed before the equivalence point? After the equivalence point?

Ans:-



Before the equivalence point =
more red

After the equivalence point =
Blue.

	calmagite
$\text{pK}_2 = 8.1 \rightarrow$	H_2In^- red
$\text{pK}_3 = 12.4 \rightarrow$	HIn^{2-} - blue
	In^{3-} - orange

Colours of the metal ion complex
more red.

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11-26. Pyrocatecol violet (Table 13-3) is to be used as a metal ion indicator in an EDTA titration. The procedure is as follows:

1. Add a known excess of EDTA to the unknown metal ion.
2. Adjust the pH with a suitable buffer.
3. Back-titrate the excess chelate with standard Hg^{2+} .

From the following available buffers, select the best buffer, and then state what color change will be observed at the end point.

Explain your answer.

- (a) $\text{pH } 6-7$ (c) $\text{pH } 8-9$
 (b) $\text{pH } 7-8$ (d) $\text{pH } 9-10$.

Ans.:

$$pK_1 = 0.2$$



$$pK_2 = 7.8$$



$$pK_3 = 9.8$$



$$pK_4 = 11.7$$



Color of metal ion complex

= Blue

(A)

Q&A

Buffer (a) (pH 6-7) will give a yellow \rightarrow blue colour change that will be easier to observe than the violet \rightarrow blue change expected with the other buffers.