## Chem 352 - Fall 2018 Quiz 1

 $R = 8.314 \ J/(mol \cdot K) = 0.08206 \ (L \cdot atm)/(mol \cdot K)$  [Ideal Gas Law Constant]  $K_w = 1.00 \times 10^{-14} \ M^2$  [Ionization Product for water]

1. One of the reactions in the citric acid cycle pathway, a pathway used in the complete oxidation of glucose to  $CO_2$  and  $H_2O$ , involves the hydration of *fumarate* to form *L-malate*.

- a. Is the reaction favorable under standard state conditions at 37°C? (Y/N)\_\_\_\_\_Explain:
- b. What is the value of the equilibrium constant,  $K_{eq}$ , for this reaction at 37°C?

c. If the cellular concentration of *fumarate* is 1.33 mM, and the concentration of *L-malate* is 8.55 mM, is this reaction favorable under conditions found in a cell at 37°C? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_ Explain:

- 2. The structural formula for the amino acid glutamic acid is shown to right. Glutamic acid contains three ionizable groups; the structure shown has all three of these groups in their *deprotonated*, *conjugate base* forms. The  $pK_a$  values for these three groups are indicated in the figure.
  - a. What is the expected *pH* for a 150 mM solution of glutamic acid in its *fully protonated* form? (show calculations)

$$pK_{1} = 9.54$$

$$H_{2}N - CH - C - O$$

$$CH_{2}$$

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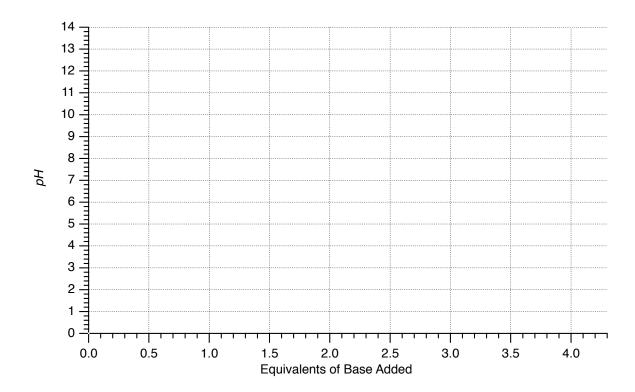
$$CH_{2}$$

$$C - O$$

$$\rho K_{1} = 4.27$$

$$glutamic acid$$

b. Sketch the titration curve for a 150 mM solution of glutamic acid.



c. In solution, at what pH does the predominant (major) species of glutamic acid have a *net charge* of 0? pH =\_\_\_\_\_

(This *pH* is also called the *isoelectric point*, *pI*, because at this *pH* glutamic acid does not move in an electrostatic field.)

d. Draw the structure for the predominant species of glutamic acid that is present at its isoelectric pH.