

CEE 680: Water Chemistry

Lecture #23

Dissolved Carbon Dioxide: Open & Closed
Systems IV

(Stumm & Morgan, Chapt.4)

Benjamin; Chapter 7

Conservation of Alk, C_T

- If you know any 2 of the following, you can calculate the 3rd

- Alkalinity

$$Alk = (\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2)C_T + [OH^-] - [H^+] \quad \text{closed}$$

- pH

- C_T or p_{CO_2}

$$Alk = (\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2) \frac{K_H p_{CO_2}}{\alpha_0} + [OH^-] - [H^+] \quad \text{open}$$

- Conservative substances

- Closed Systems

- Alkalinity & C_T

- Open Systems

- Alkalinity



To solve these problems requires a **high level of precision** as Alk is often close in value to C_T , and the difference becomes very important

Alkalinity, C_T and pH

- Three types of problems are covered
 - Adding treatment chemicals to water
 - e.g., Soda Ash, Caustic, chlorine
 - Blending of waters
 - e.g., a surface water with a groundwater
 - Impacts of “internal” processes
 - The photosynthesis problem
- In each we ask about the final pH, Alkalinity and sometimes the C_T or carbonate species

Addition of Treatment Chemicals

Water	pH	C_T (mM)	Alk (meq/L)	Acy (meq/L)
“A”	6.5	1.7	1	2.4
A+ 0.7mM NaOH	8.3	1.7	1.7	1.7
A + 0.7mM Na_2CO_3	8.3	2.4	2.4	2.4

Assumes a closed system; now determine the composition of each in an open system; Also recall: $\text{Alk}_{\text{tot}} + \text{Acy}_{\text{tot}} = 2C_T$

Chlorine problem

- Starting water (B)
 - pH=8, Alkalinity = 82.5 mg-CaCO₃/L, NH₃-N=3.5 mg/L
 - Alk=1.65 meq/L, NH₃-N=0.25 mM
- Use breakpoint chlorination to remove ammonia-N (C)
 - $2\text{NH}_3 + 3\text{Cl}_2 = \text{N}_2(\text{g}) + 6\text{H}^+ + 6\text{Cl}^-$
- How much NaHCO₃ and NaOH must be added to reach pH 9.0 and 2.0 mM C_T?

Snoeyink & Jenkins, example 4-39, pg.188



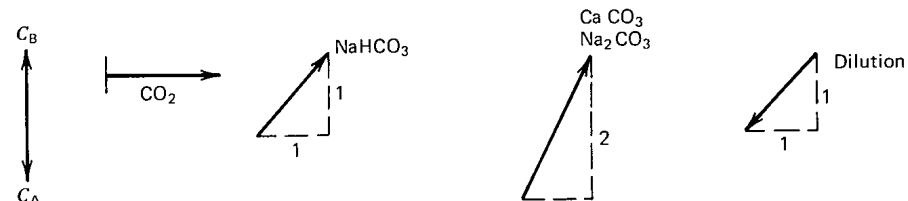
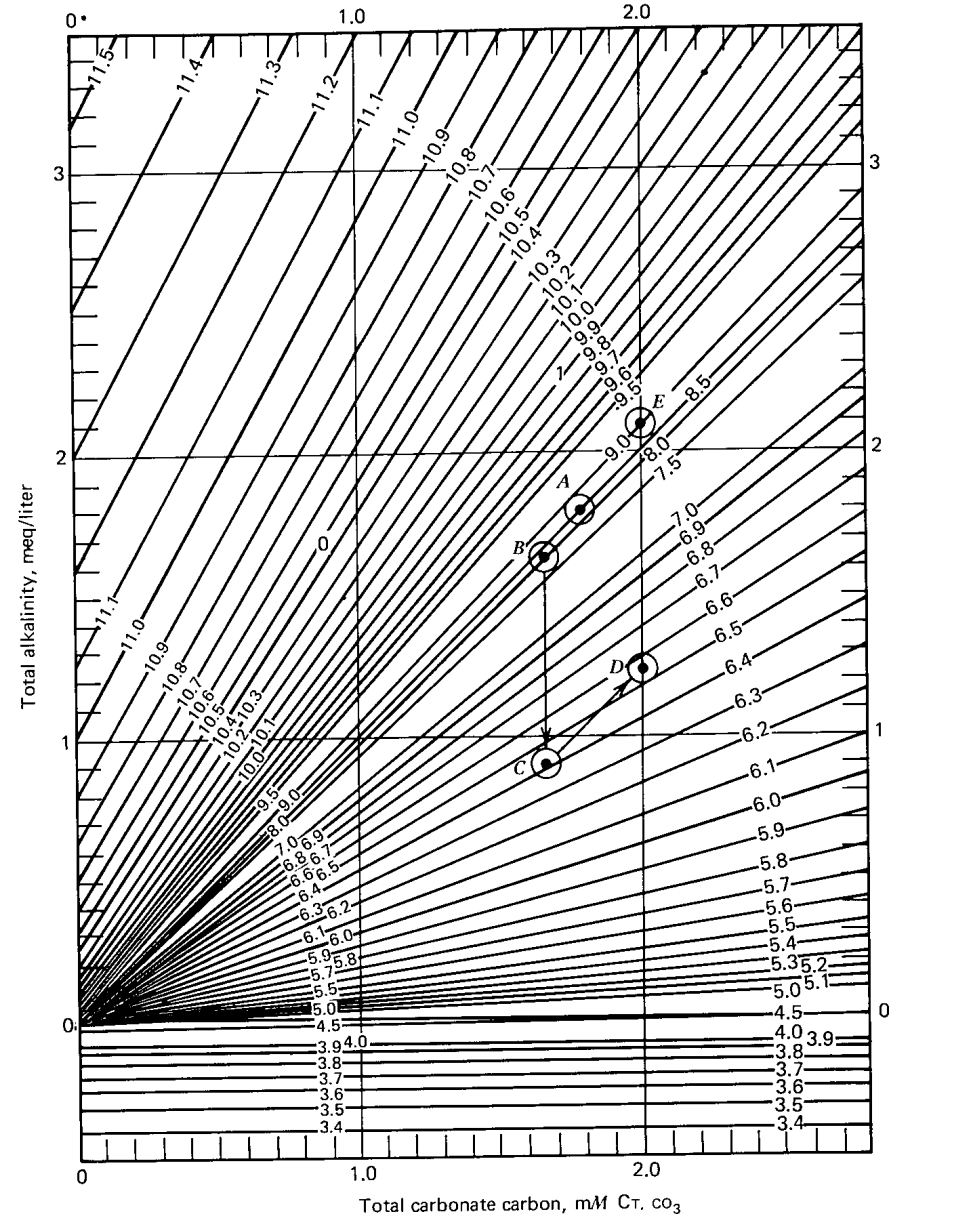
Deffeyes Diagram

$$\text{Alk} = (\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2)C_T + [\text{OH}^-] - [\text{H}^+]$$

- For 15°C, closed system (has C_T , not p_{CO_2})
 - Snoeyink & Jenkins, pg 187
 - Stumm & Morgan, pg 177
- Answer to previous problem
 - 0.35 mM NaHCO_3
 - 0.75 mM NaOH

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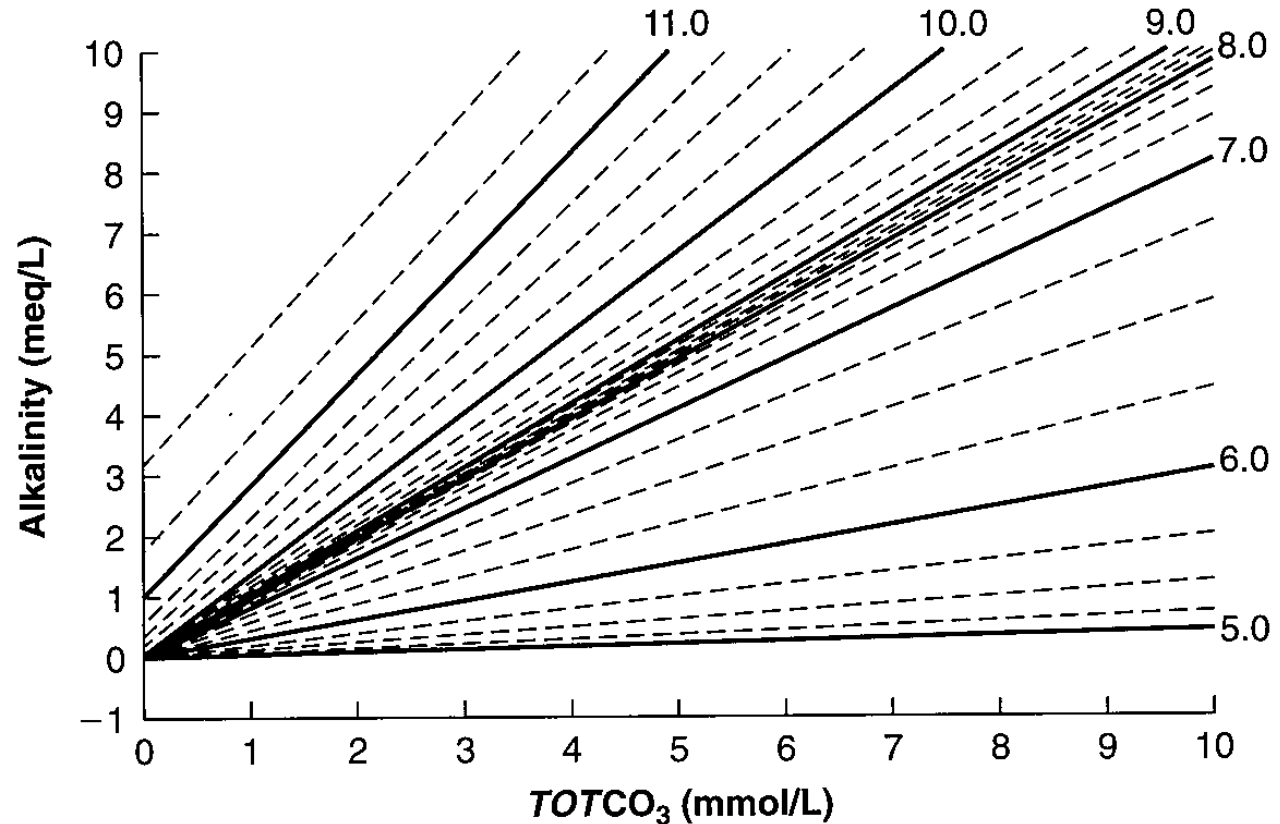
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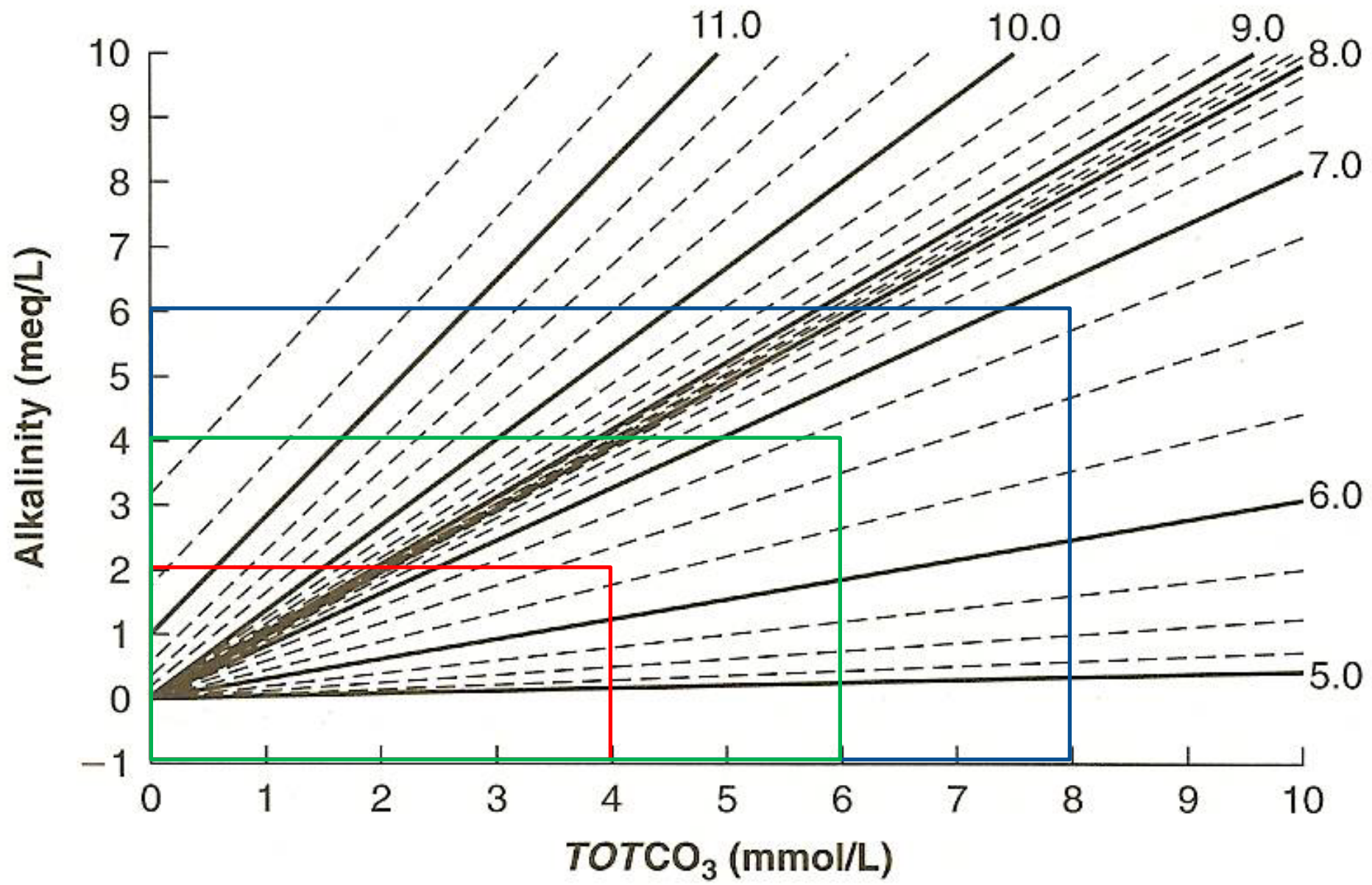
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- Redrawn Deffeyes diagram
 - From Benjamin, 2002
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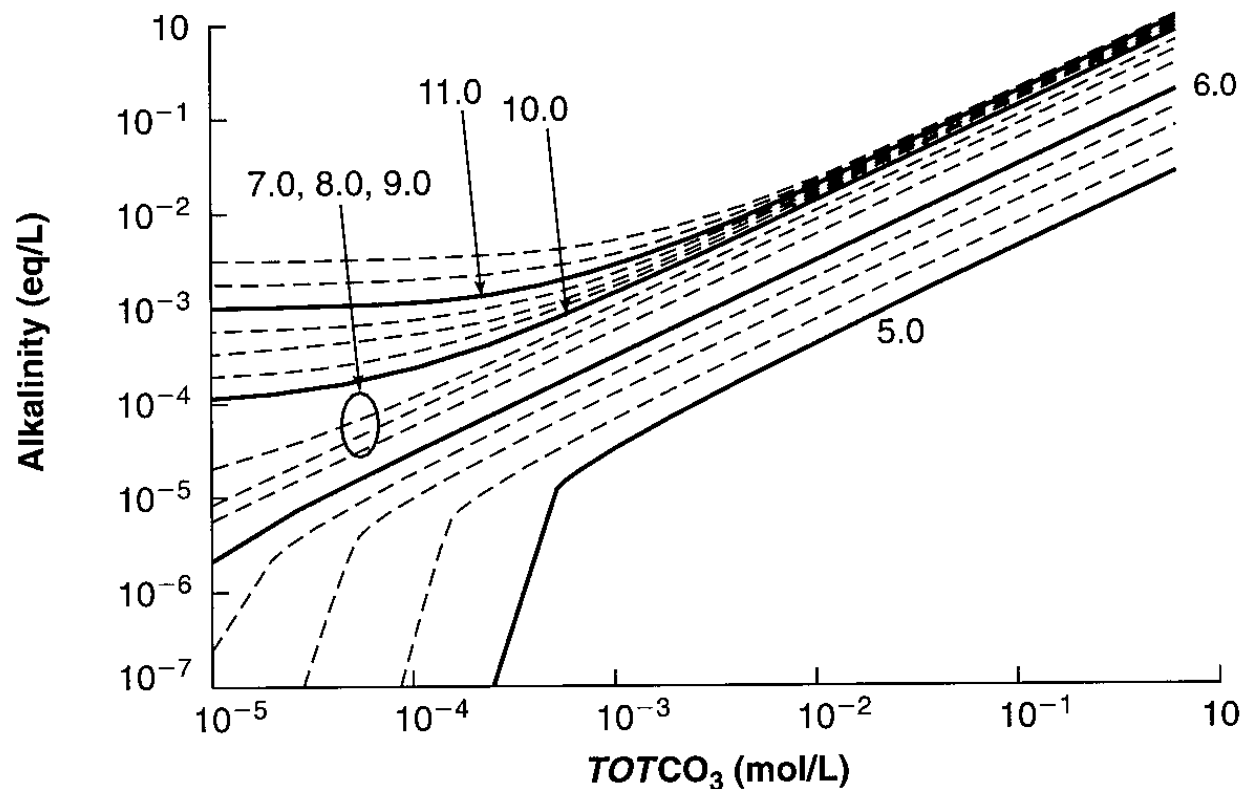
Blending of Waters

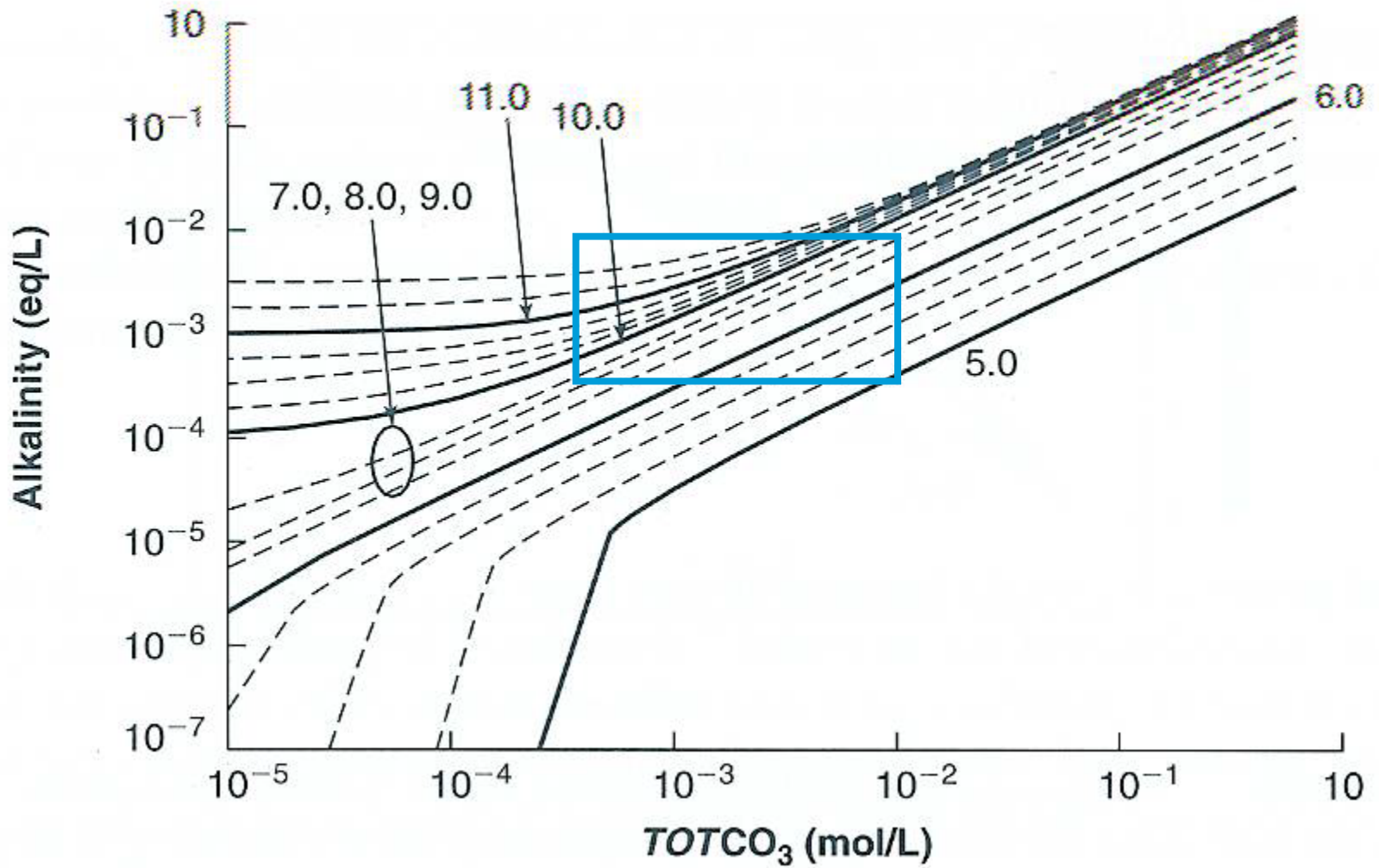
- Water A
 - $C_T = 8 \text{ mM}$
 - $\text{Alk} = 300 \text{ mg/L}$
 - $\text{pH} = ?$
- Water B
 - $C_T = 4 \text{ mM}$
 - $\text{Alk} = 100 \text{ mg/L}$
 - $\text{pH} ?$
- 50/50 Blend



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In-Class Practice

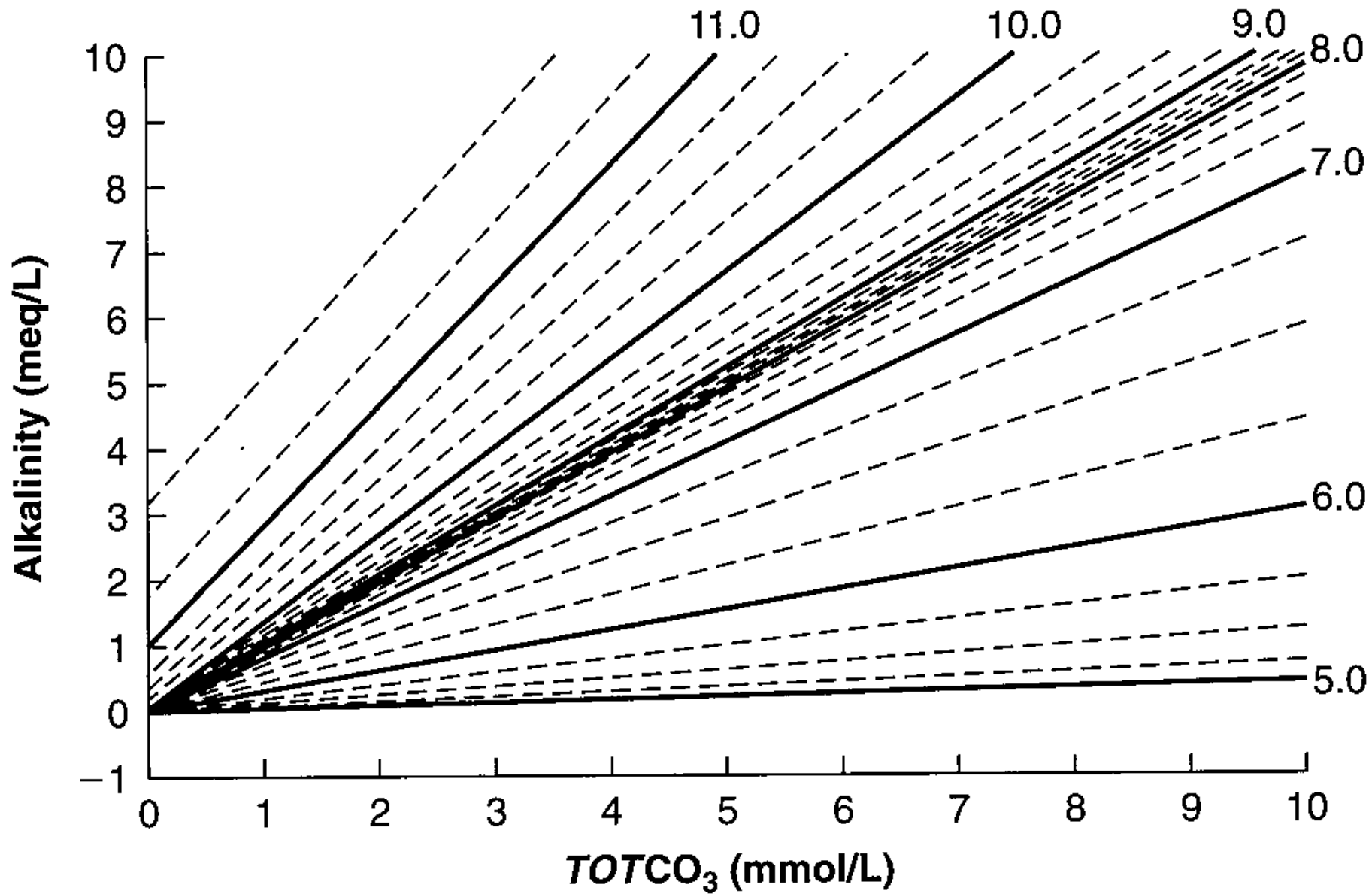
- For a closed system, what is the pH of:
 - 10^{-3} M solution of H_2CO_3
 - 10^{-3} M solution of NaHCO_3
 - 10^{-3} M solution of Na_2CO_3
- For an open system, what is the pH of:
 - 10^{-3} M solution of H_2CO_3
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 - 10^{-3} M solution of Na_2CO_3

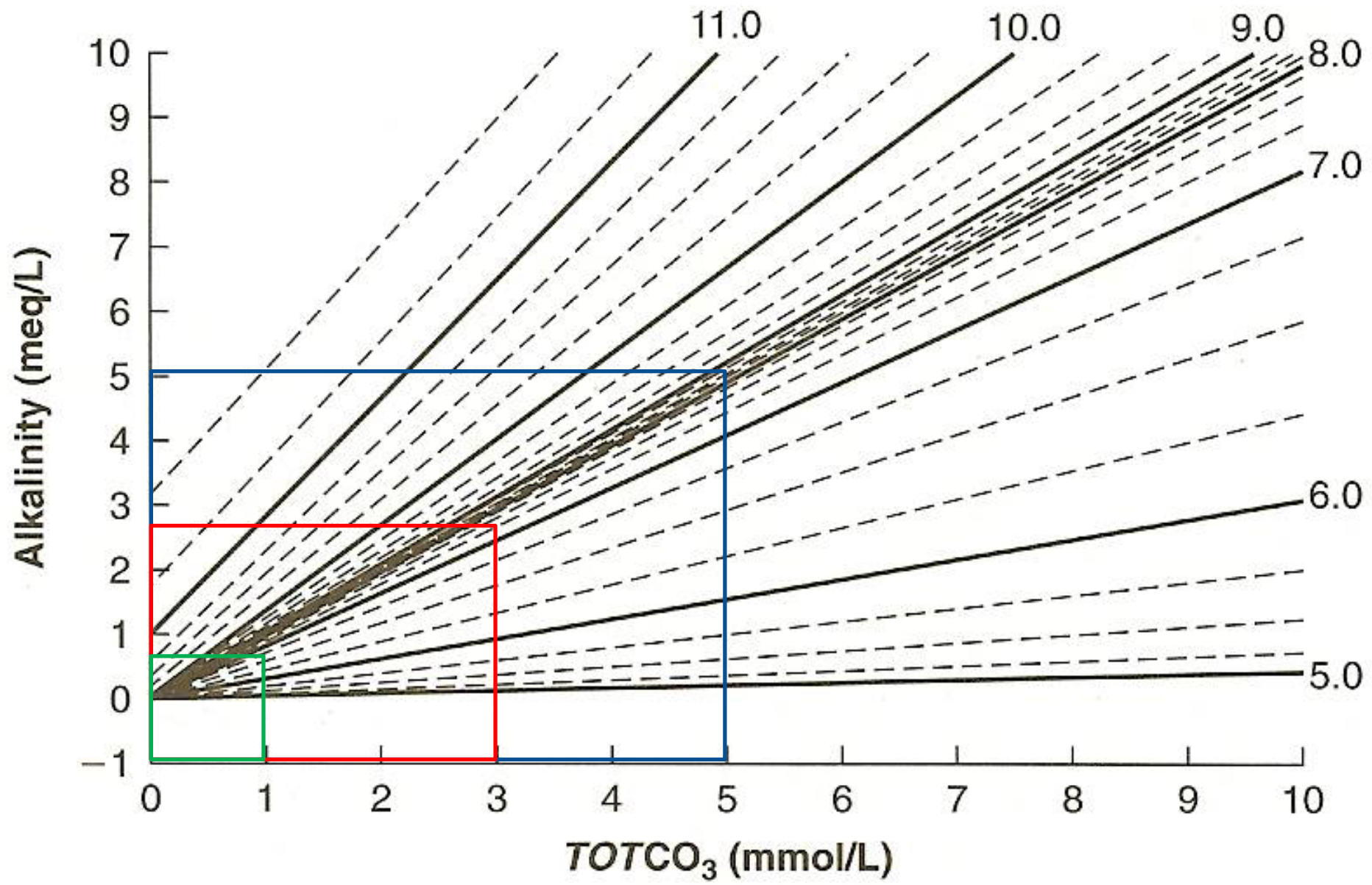
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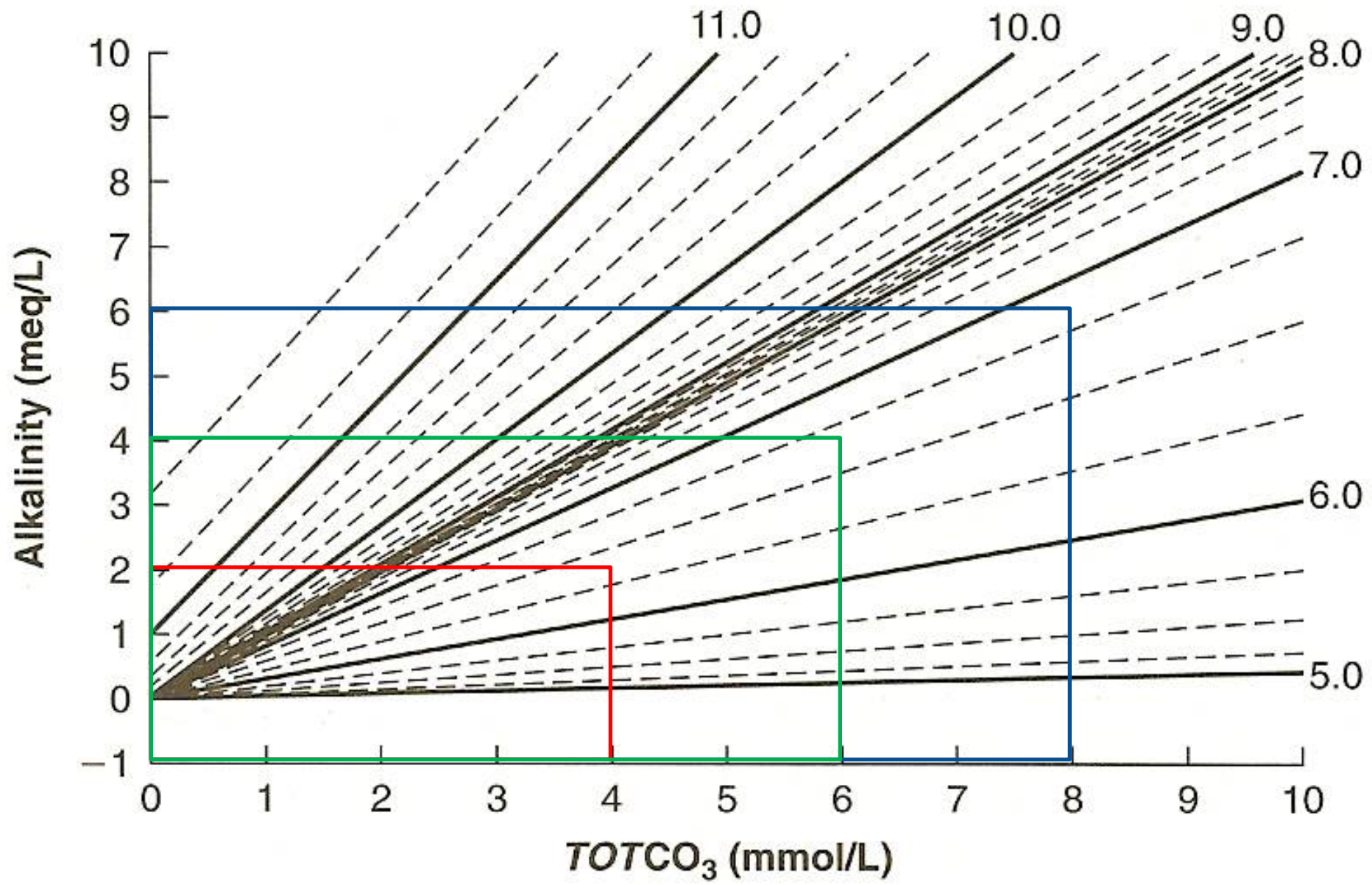
- What is the pH of a blend of the following:
 - 1 MGD of pH 6.5 water with a Alkalinity of 50 mg/L
 - 0.5 MGD of pH 8.5 water with an Alkalinity of 500 mg/L

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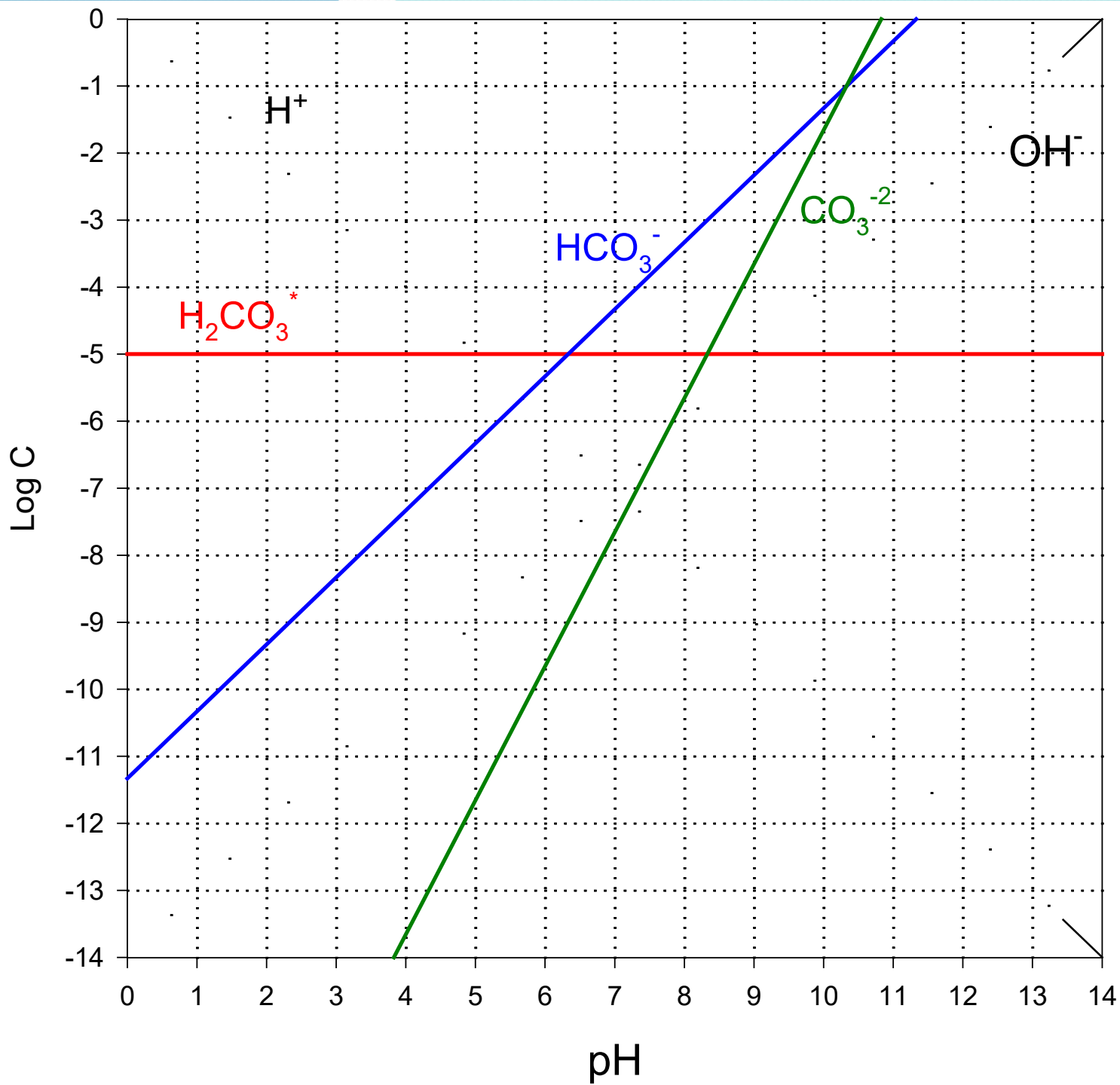
$$Alk = (\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2) C_T + [OH^-] - [H^+]$$







Open





- To next lecture