



## Acids, Bases and Salts

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We will cover the following topics:

1. Definition of Acids and Bases
2. Bronsted-Lowry Acids and Bases

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### Arrhenius Definition of Acids and Bases

An acid is a substance that reacts with water to produce hydronium ions,  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ .

A base is a substance that produces hydroxide ions,  $\text{OH}^-$  in water.



When an acid and base reacts, an ionic compound is produced as one of the products. We call ionic compounds “salts”.

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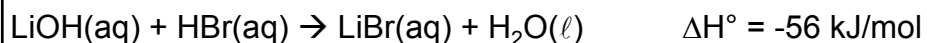
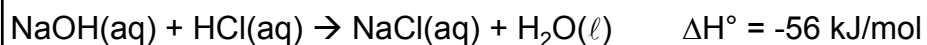
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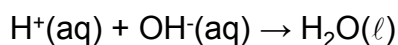
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### Arrhenius Theory of Acid and Bases

Support for the Arrhenius concept comes from measurements of  $\Delta H^\circ$  of neutralization of any strong acid and base. Consider the following reactions:



If we write the net ionic equation for both of these reactions we see that they are the same



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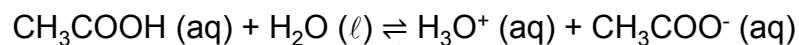
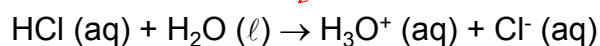
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### Monoprotic and Polyprotic acids

1. Monoprotic acids – capable of ionizing 1 H<sup>+</sup> ion per molecule of acid.

Example:

Strong acid = 100% dissociation into ions



Weak acid = partial dissociation into ions

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### Monoprotic and Polyprotic acids

2. Polyprotic acids – capable of ionizing more than one H<sup>+</sup> ion per molecule of acid.

Example of a Diprotic acid:



Example of a Triprotic acid:



You should be able to write acid dissociation reactions.

Pay attention to the charges on all the ions, and balance the reactions.

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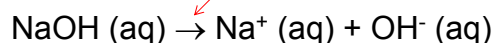
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### Monoprotic and Polyprotic bases

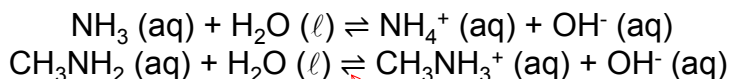
1. Monoprotic bases – capable of ionizing 1 OH<sup>-</sup> ion per molecule of base.

Example:



Strong base = 100% dissociation into ions

Nitrogen compounds are bases because they dissolve in water to produce OH<sup>-</sup> ions.



Weak base = partial dissociation into ions

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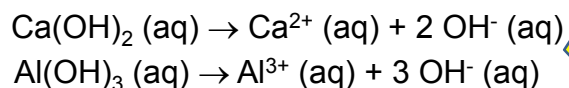
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### Monoprotic and Polyprotic bases

2. Polyprotic bases – capable of ionizing more than one OH<sup>-</sup> ion per molecule of base.

Example:



You should be able to write base dissociation reactions.

Pay attention to the charges on all the ions, and balance the reactions.

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In general,

1. Ionization of an acid in water



2. Ionization of a base in water



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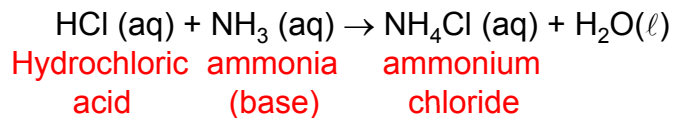
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### Brønsted-Lowry Acids and Bases

When neutralization reaction occurs in aqueous solution, Arrhenius' definition of acid and base works well.



Recall that  
Arrhenius Definition of  
Acid and Base

An **acid** as a substance that reacts with water to produce  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ .

A **base** that reacts with water to produce  $\text{OH}^-$ .

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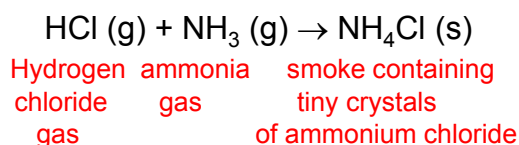
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### Brønsted-Lowry Acids and Bases

This same neutralization reaction can occur when it is not in an aqueous medium. Therefore, Arrhenius's definition of an acid and a base is too restrictive.

Example: Neutralization reaction of reactants in gas phase



We need a broader definition!

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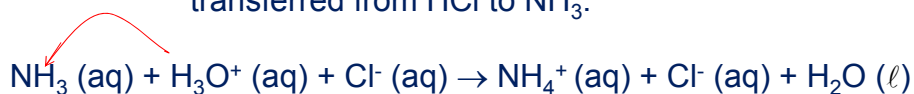
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### Brønsted-Lowry Acids and Bases

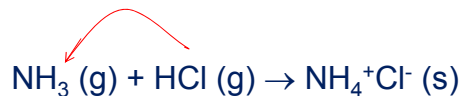
What is in common between the gaseous and aqueous reactions?

- Both involve a transfer of a  $\text{H}^+$  from one reactant to another.

In solution, HCl is completely ionized and the  $\text{H}^+$  ion is transferred from  $\text{HCl}$  to  $\text{NH}_3$ .



In gas phase,



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### Brønsted-Lowry Acids and Bases

- View acid-base reactions as simply the transfer of  $H^+$  (protons) from one species to another.

### Brønsted-Lowry Acids and Bases Definitions

Acid is a proton donor.

Base is a proton acceptor.



This species donates a proton to  $NH_3$ , therefore, it is an acid.

This species accepts a proton, therefore, it is a base.

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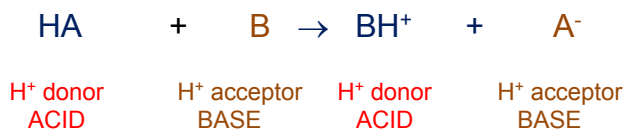
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### Brønsted-Lowry Acids and Bases

In general,



CONJUGATE ACID-BASE PAIRS

Two species that differ by  $H^+$  are called a *conjugate pair*.

There is a whole table of Brønsted-Lowry Acids and Bases.

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### Brønsted-Lowry Acids and Bases

**RELATIVE STRENGTHS OF BRØNSTED-LOWRY ACIDS AND BASES**  
*in aqueous solution at room temperature.*

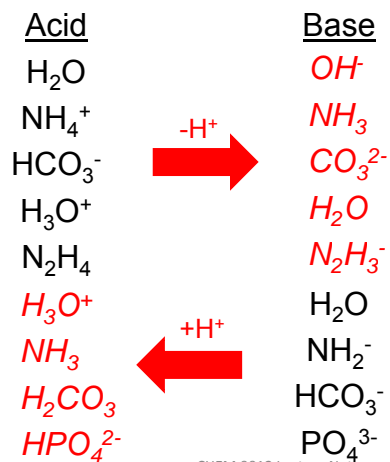
Name of Acid	Acid	Base	$K_a$
Perchloric	$\text{HClO}_4$	$\rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{ClO}_4^-$	very large
Hydroiodic	$\text{HI}$	$\rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{I}^-$	very large
Hydrobromic	$\text{HBr}$	$\rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{Br}^-$	very large
Hydrochloric	$\text{HCl}$	$\rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{Cl}^-$	very large
Nitric	$\text{HNO}_3$	$\rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{NO}_3^-$	very large
Sulphuric	$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$	$\rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{HSO}_4^-$	very large
Hydronium ion	$\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$	$\rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.0
Iodic	$\text{HIO}_3$	$\rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{IO}_3^-$	$1.7 \times 10^{-1}$
Oxalic	$\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$	$\rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{HC}_2\text{O}_4^-$	$5.9 \times 10^{-2}$
Sulphurous ( $\text{SO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ )	$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_3$	$\rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{HSO}_3^-$	$1.5 \times 10^{-2}$
Hydrogen sulphate ion	$\text{HSO}_4^-$	$\rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{SO}_4^{2-}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-2}$
Phosphoric	$\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$	$\rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$	$7.5 \times 10^{-3}$

Strength of acid: WEAK (bottom) to STRONG (top)  
Strength of base: WEAK (top) to STRONG (bottom)

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### Brønsted-Lowry Conjugate Acids-Bases Pairs



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1. Amphiprotic Substance
2. Amphoteric Compounds

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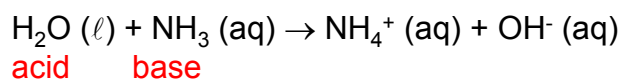
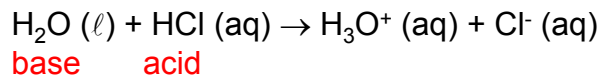
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### 1. Amphiprotic Substance

A substance that can act either as a proton acceptor or a proton donor.

All amphiprotic substances contain a hydrogen atom.

Example 1 – Water, H<sub>2</sub>O



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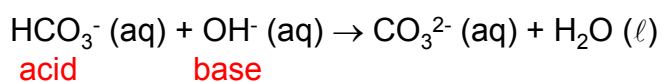
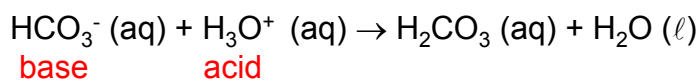
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Example 2 – Bicarbonate,  $\text{HCO}_3^-$

You should be able to write these equations.



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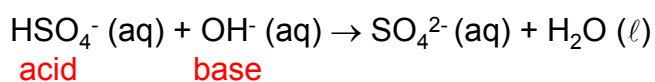
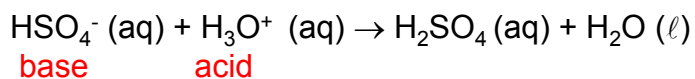
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Example 3 – hydrogen sulfate ion,  $\text{HSO}_4^-$

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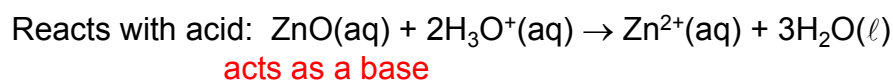
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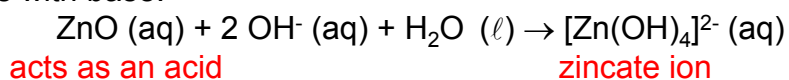
### 2. Amphoteric Substance

- A compound that can react as either an acid or a base.
- “Ampho-” is Greek, it means “both”.
- Metals have amphoteric oxides. (eg – ZnO, Al(OH)<sub>3</sub>)

Example 1 – Zinc oxide, ZnO



Reacts with base:



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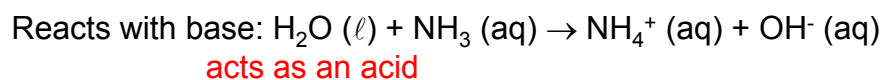
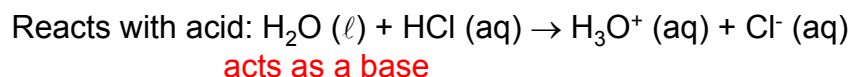
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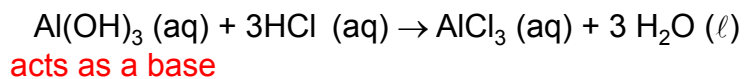
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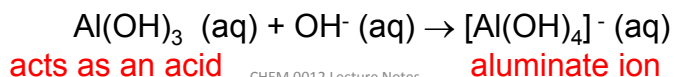
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Example 3 – Aluminum hydroxide, Al(OH)<sub>3</sub>

Reacts with acid:



Reacts with base:



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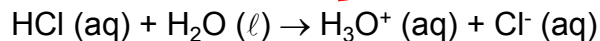
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### Strong acids

An acid which dissociates 100% into its ions in a water solution.

Strong acid = 100% dissociation into ions



The [H<sup>+</sup>] (or [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>]) concentration of a **0.10 M** HCl solution is **0.10 M**.

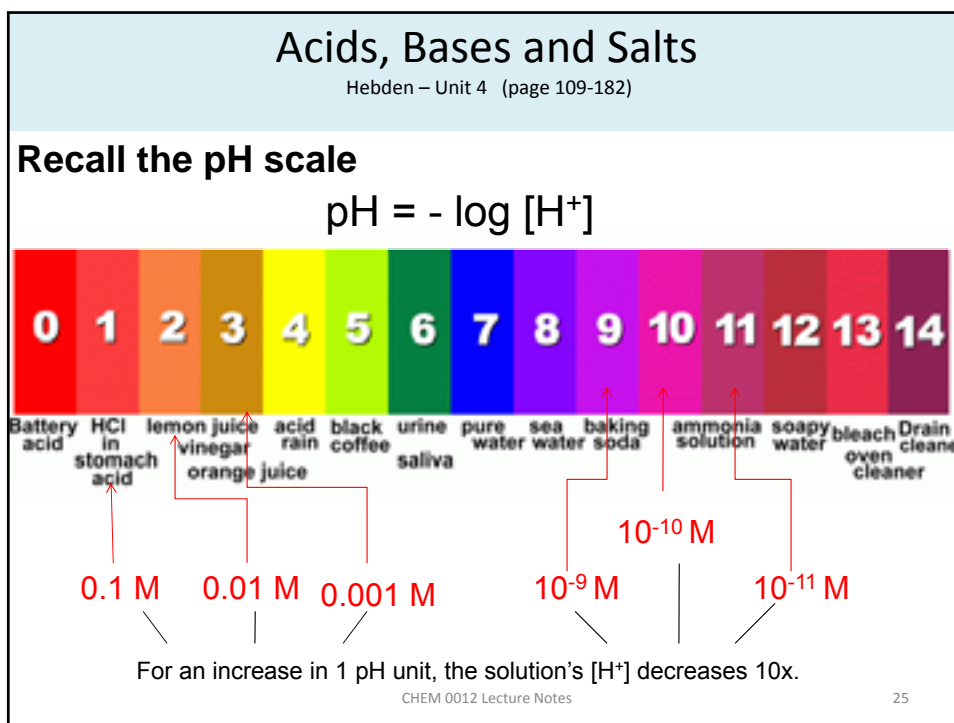
For monoprotic strong acids [acid] = [H<sup>+</sup>]

A common notation to express [H<sup>+</sup>] is pH, where

$$\text{pH} = -\log [\text{H}^+] = -\log 0.10 = 1.00$$

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### Strong acids

		$K_a$
Perchloric	$\text{HClO}_4 \rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{ClO}_4^-$	very large
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Sulphuric	$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{HSO}_4^-$	very large

↑  
These are strong acids.

Dissociation is a single arrow to produce ions.

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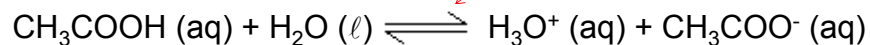
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### Weak acids

An acid which dissociates **less than 100%** into its ions in a water solution.

Weak acid = < 100% dissociation into ions.  
Use double arrows to indicate this.



The  $[\text{H}^+]$  (or  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$ ) concentration of a **0.10 M**  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  solution is **LESS THAN 0.10 M**.

Therefore,

$$\text{pH} > 1.00$$

In weak acids [acid]  $\neq$   $[\text{H}^+]$

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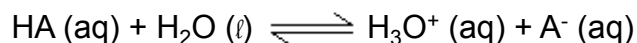
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$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]}$$

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### Weak acids

 $K_a$ 

Hydronium ion	$\text{H}_3\text{O}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.0
Iodic	$\text{HIO}_3 \rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{IO}_3^-$	$1.7 \times 10^{-1}$
.	.	.
Water	$\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{OH}^-$	$1.0 \times 10^{-14}$
Hydroxide ion	$\text{OH}^- \leftarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{O}^{2-}$	very small
Ammonia	$\text{NH}_3 \leftarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{NH}_2^-$	very small

These are weak acids except the bottom two.

These last two are too weak to act as acids in water.

Note the single arrows pointing backward because the forward dissociation never occurs.

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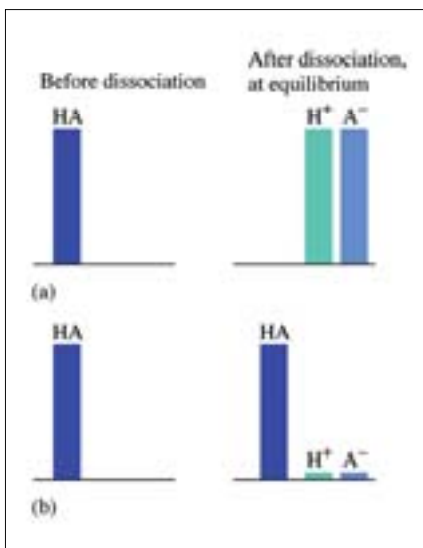
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### Illustration of Strong and Weak Acids

Graphic representation of the behavior of acids of different strengths in aqueous solution.

- (a) A strong acid.  
(b) A weak acid.



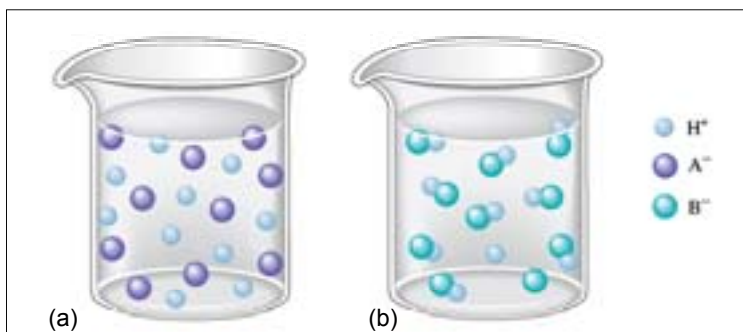
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### Illustration of Strong and Weak Acids



(a) A strong acid HA is completely ionized in water.

(b) A weak acid HB exists mostly as undissociated HB molecules in water.

Note that the water molecules are not shown in this figure.

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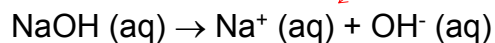
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### Strong bases

A base which dissociates 100% into its ions in a water solution.

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The  $[\text{OH}^-]$  concentration of a 0.10 M NaOH solution is 0.10 M.

For NaOH,  $[\text{base}] = [\text{OH}^-]$

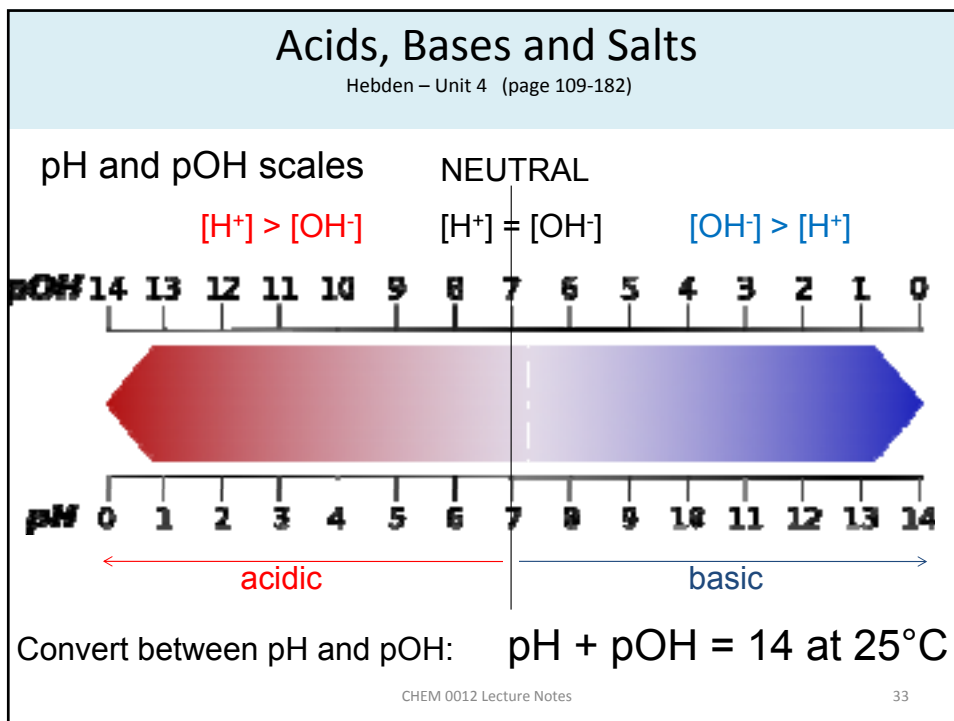
A common notation to express  $[\text{OH}^-]$  is pOH, where

$$\text{pOH} = -\log [\text{OH}^-] = -\log 0.10 = 1.00$$

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#### Strong bases

Water .....	$H_2O \rightleftharpoons H^+ + OH^-$	$1.0 \times 10^{-14}$
Hydroxide ion .....	$OH^- \leftarrow H^+ + O^{2-}$	very small
Ammonia .....	$NH_3 \leftarrow H^+ + NH_2^-$	very small

↑  
These are strong bases.

Any substance which dissociates completely to produce  $OH^-$ ,  $O^{2-}$ , or  $NH_2^-$  is a strong base.

Examples: Group 1 hydroxides:  $LiOH$ ,  $NaOH$ ,  $KOH$ ,  $RbOH$ ,  $CsOH$   
 Group 2 hydroxides:  $Mg(OH)_2$ ,  $Ba(OH)_2$ ,  $Sr(OH)_2$

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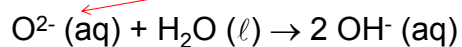
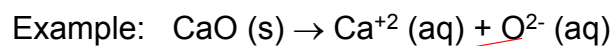
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### Strong bases

- For NaOH,  $[\text{OH}^-] = [\text{base}]$
- For  $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$ ,  $[\text{OH}^-] = 2 \times [\text{base}]$

Salts which produce  $\text{O}^{2-}$  are strong bases.



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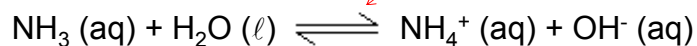
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Therefore,

$$\text{pOH} > 1.00$$

**In weak bases  $[\text{base}] \neq [\text{OH}^-]$**

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$$K_b = \frac{[OH^-][BH^+]}{[B]}$$

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Hydriodic	$HI \rightarrow H^+ + I^-$	very large
Hydrobromic	$HBr \rightarrow H^+ + Br^-$	very large
Hydrochloric	$HCl \rightarrow H^+ + Cl^-$	very large
Nitric	$HNO_3 \rightarrow H^+ + NO_3^-$	very large
Sulphuric	$H_2SO_4 \rightarrow H^+ + HSO_4^-$	very large

Conjugate bases of strong acids are **VERY** weak bases.

⋮

These are weak bases, found on the right side of the table.

Hydronium ion	$H_3O^+ \rightleftharpoons H^+ + H_2O$	1.0
Iodic	$HIO_3 \rightleftharpoons H^+ + IO_3^-$	$1.7 \times 10^{-1}$

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### Amphiprotic Species

- Found on both sides of the table (eg –  $\text{HSO}_4^-$ )
- Can act as acids or as bases
- When found on the **left**, it is an acid.

				$K_a$
Phenol	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{OH}$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{H}^+ + \text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}^-$	$1.3 \times 10^{-10}$
Hydrogen carbonate ion	$\text{HCO}_3^-$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{H}^+ + \text{CO}_3^{2-}$	$5.6 \times 10^{-11}$
Hydrogen peroxide	$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{H}^+ + \text{HO}_2^-$	$2.4 \times 10^{-12}$

  
 Acid Strength increases

$\text{HCO}_3^-$  is a weaker acid than phenol and a stronger acid than hydrogen peroxide.

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### Amphiprotic Species

- Found on both sides of the table (eg –  $\text{HSO}_4^-$ )
- Can act as acids or as bases
- When found on the **right**, it is a base.

				$K_a$
Hexaquoaluminum ion, aluminum ion	$\text{Al}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6^{3+}$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{H}^+ + \text{Al}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5(\text{OH})^{2+}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-5}$
Carbonic ( $\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ )	$\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{H}^+ + \text{HCO}_3^-$	$4.3 \times 10^{-7}$
Monohydrogen citrate ion	$\text{HC}_6\text{H}_7\text{O}_7^{2-}$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{H}^+ + \text{C}_6\text{H}_7\text{O}_7^{3-}$	$4.1 \times 10^{-7}$

  
 Base Strength increases

$\text{HCO}_3^-$  is a weaker base than citrate ion and a stronger base than  $\text{Al}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5(\text{OH})^{2+}$ .

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### Brønsted-Lowry Acids and Bases

**RELATIVE STRENGTHS OF BRØNSTED-LOWRY ACIDS AND BASES**  
*in aqueous solution at room temperature.*

Name of Acid	Acid	Base	$K_a$
Perchloric	$\text{HClO}_4$	$\rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{ClO}_4^-$	very large
Hydroiodic	$\text{HI}$	$\rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{I}^-$	very large
Hydrobromic	$\text{HBr}$	$\rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{Br}^-$	very large
Hydrochloric	$\text{HCl}$	$\rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{Cl}^-$	very large
Nitric	$\text{HNO}_3$	$\rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{NO}_3^-$	very large
Sulphuric	$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$	$\rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{HSO}_4^-$	very large
Hydronium ion	$\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$	$\rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.0
Iodic	$\text{HIO}_3$	$\rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{IO}_3^-$	$1.7 \times 10^{-1}$
Oxalic	$\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$	$\rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{HC}_2\text{O}_4^-$	$5.9 \times 10^{-2}$
Sulphurous ( $\text{SO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ )	$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_3$	$\rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{HSO}_3^-$	$1.5 \times 10^{-2}$
Hydrogen sulphate ion	$\text{HSO}_4^-$	$\rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{SO}_4^{2-}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-2}$
Phosphoric	$\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$	$\rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$	$7.5 \times 10^{-3}$

Strength of acid: WEAK (bottom) to STRONG (top)  
Strength of base: WEAK (top) to STRONG (bottom)

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We will work with the reference table

### RELATIVE STRENGTHS OF BRØNSTED-LOWRY ACIDS AND BASES

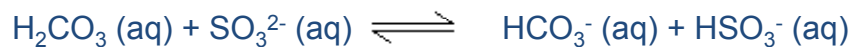
to determine the Acid-Base Equilibria and Relative Strengths of Acids and Bases.

By examining the relative strengths of the acids on both sides of the equilibrium, we can determine which side of the equilibrium is favoured.

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1. When  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$  and  $\text{SO}_3^{2-}$  are mixed, an equilibrium is set up. Which side of the equilibrium is favoured?



This can only donate a  $\text{H}^+$  ion. It is an **ACID**.

This ion can only act as a **BASE**, accept a  $\text{H}^+$  ion.

As a result ...

$\text{HCO}_3^-$  is the **conjugate base** of  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$ .

$\text{HSO}_3^-$  is the **conjugate acid** of  $\text{SO}_3^{2-}$ .

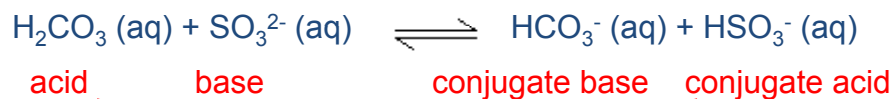
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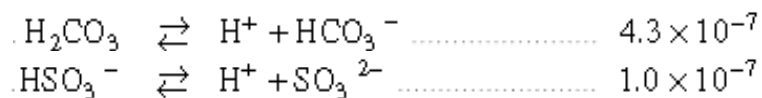
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Compare the  $K_a$  of the two acids



$\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$  is a slightly stronger acid than  $\text{HSO}_3^-$ .  
The equilibrium will favour the products.

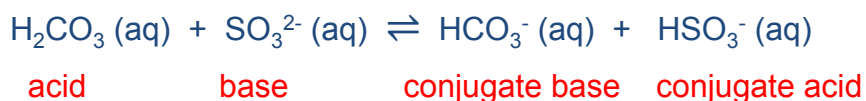
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1. When  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$  and  $\text{SO}_3^{2-}$  are mixed, an equilibrium is set up. Which side of the equilibrium is favoured?



What is the value of K for this equilibrium?

$$K = \frac{K_a (\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3)}{K_a (\text{HSO}_3^-)} = \frac{4.3 \times 10^{-7}}{1.0 \times 10^{-7}} = 4.3 > 1$$

Since  $K > 1$ , equilibrium favors products

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2. When  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$  and  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  are mixed, an equilibrium is set up. Which side of the equilibrium is favoured?



This is an amphiprotic ion. It can donate or accept a  $\text{H}^+$  ion.

This ion can only act as a **BASE**, accept a  $\text{H}^+$  ion.

After considering, in this mixture,  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$  will act as an **acid**.

As a result ...

$\text{HCO}_3^-$  is the **conjugate acid** of  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ .

$\text{HPO}_4^{2-}$  is the **conjugate base** of  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$ .

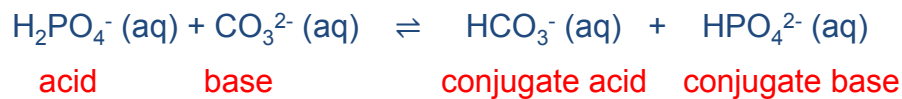
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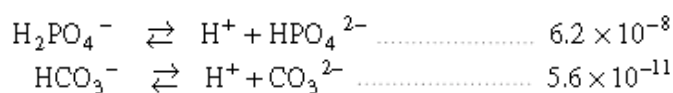
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Compare the  $K_a$  of the two acids



$\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$  is a stronger acid than  $\text{HCO}_3^-$ .  
The equilibrium will favour the products.

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3. When  $\text{HSO}_4^-$  and  $\text{NH}_3$  are mixed, an equilibrium is set up. Which side of the equilibrium is favoured?



This is an amphiprotic ion. It can donate or accept a  $\text{H}^+$  ion.

This can only act as a **BASE**, accept a  $\text{H}^+$  ion.

After considering, in this mixture,  $\text{HSO}_4^-$  will act as an **acid**.

As a result ...

$\text{NH}_4^+$  is the **conjugate acid** of  $\text{NH}_3$ .

$\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  is the **conjugate base** of  $\text{HSO}_4^-$ .

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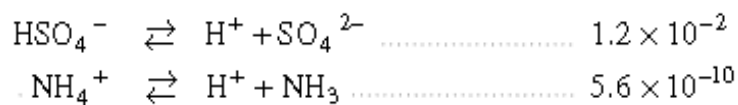
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Compare the  $K_a$  of the two acids



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The equilibrium will favour the products.

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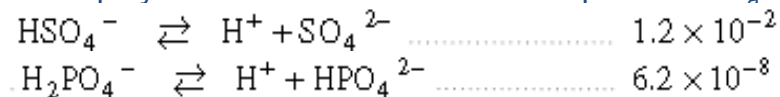
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4. When  $\text{HSO}_4^-$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$  are mixed, an equilibrium is set up. Which side of the equilibrium is favoured?

Both  $\text{HSO}_4^-$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$  are amphoteric ions.

Which will play the role of an acid? Let's compare their  $K_a$  values.



$\text{HSO}_4^-$  is a stronger acid than  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$ .

$\text{HSO}_4^-$  will act as an acid donating protons to  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$ .

After considering, in this mixture,  $\text{HSO}_4^-$  will act as an **acid**.  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^{2-}$  will act as the **base**.

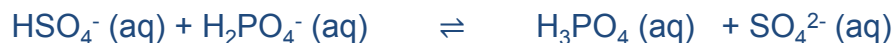
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4. When  $\text{HSO}_4^-$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$  are mixed, an equilibrium is set up. Which side of the equilibrium is favoured?



$K_a$  of  $\text{HSO}_4^-$  is bigger. It has the higher tendency to donate  $\text{H}^+$ .

$K_a$  of  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$  is smaller. Comparatively, it has less tendency to donate  $\text{H}^+$ .

As a result ...

$\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$  is the conjugate acid of  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$ .

$\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  is the conjugate base of  $\text{HSO}_4^-$ .

After considering, in this mixture,  $\text{HSO}_4^-$  will act as an acid.

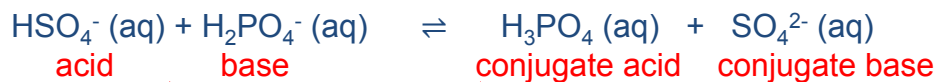
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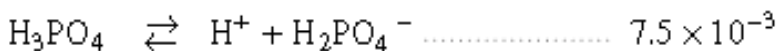
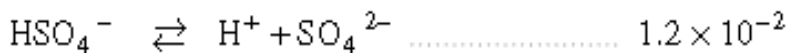
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Compare the  $K_a$  of the two acids



$\text{HSO}_4^-$  is a stronger acid than  $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$ .  
The equilibrium will favour the products.

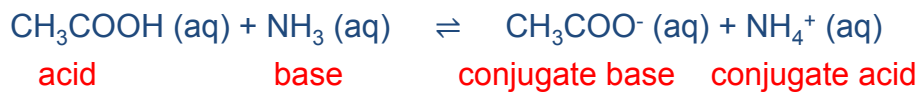
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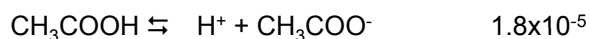
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5. When  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  and  $\text{NH}_3$  are mixed, an equilibrium is set up. Which side of the equilibrium is favoured?



Compare the  $K_a$  of the two acids



$\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  is a stronger acid than  $\text{NH}_4^+$ .  
The equilibrium will favour the products.

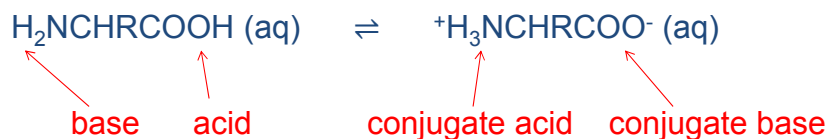
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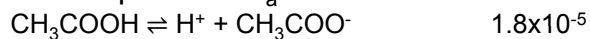
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6. Consider an amino acid, an equilibrium is set up between the amine group,  $\text{R-NH}_2$ , and the carboxylic acid group,  $\text{R-COOH}$ . Which side of the equilibrium is favoured?



Compare the  $K_a$  of the two acids



$\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  is a stronger acid than  $\text{NH}_4^+$ .  
The equilibrium will favour the products  
(i.e. a double charged species).

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### Direction of Reaction Example

Predict the direction favored in each of the following acid-base reactions. That is, does the reaction tend to go more in the forward or in the reverse direction?

- |   |         |
|---|---------|
| a) $\text{NH}_4^+ + \text{OH}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{NH}_3$  | Forward |
| b) $\text{HSO}_4^- + \text{NO}_3^- \rightleftharpoons \text{HNO}_3 + \text{SO}_4^{2-}$  | Reverse |
| c) $\text{HSO}_3^- + \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{SO}_3^{2-} + \text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  | Reverse |
| d) $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} + \text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5(\text{OH})^{2+} \rightleftharpoons \text{Cr}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6^{3+} + \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-$ | Reverse |
| e) $\text{HNO}_2 + \text{ClO}_4^- \rightleftharpoons \text{HClO}_4 + \text{NO}_2^-$   | Reverse |
| f) $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3 + \text{CO}_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{HCO}_3^- + \text{HCO}_3^-$  | Forward |

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- In aqueous solutions,  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  (aq) &  $\text{OH}^-$  (aq) are the strongest acids and bases that exist.

Stronger bases react with water to form  $\text{OH}^-$  (aq)  
 $\text{O}^{2-}$  (aq) +  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (l)  $\rightarrow$   $\text{OH}^-$  (aq) +  $\text{OH}^-$  (aq)

Stronger acids react with water to form  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  (aq).  
 $\text{HCl}$  (aq) +  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (l)  $\rightarrow$   $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  (aq) +  $\text{Cl}^-$  (aq)

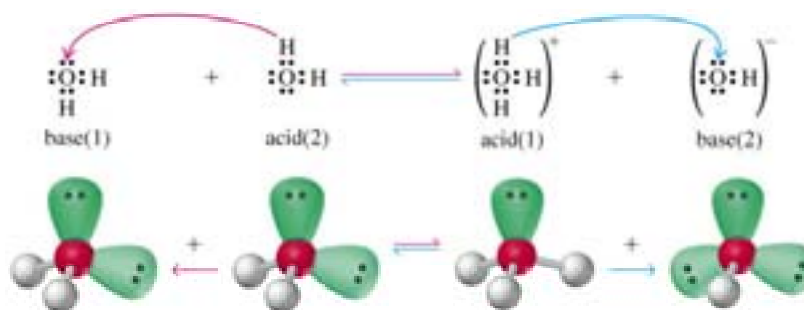
This is known as the **Leveling Effect**

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### The Self-Ionization of Water

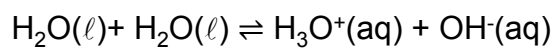


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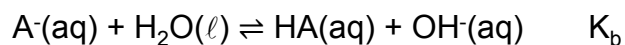
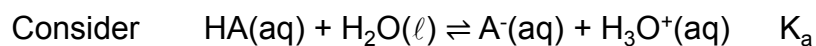
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### Ion Product of Water



$$K = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-]}{[\text{H}_2\text{O}][\text{H}_2\text{O}]}$$

$$K_w = K[\text{H}_2\text{O}][\text{H}_2\text{O}] = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] = 1 \times 10^{-14} \text{ at } 25^\circ\text{C}$$



$$K_a K_b = \left( \frac{[\text{A}^-][\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]}{[\text{HA}]} \right) \left( \frac{[\text{HA}][\text{OH}^-]}{[\text{A}^-]} \right) = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] = K_w$$

$$K_w = K_a K_b$$

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### pH and pOH

- The potential of the hydrogen ion was defined in 1909 as *the negative of the logarithm of [H<sup>+</sup>]*.

$$\text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] \quad \text{pOH} = -\log[\text{OH}^-]$$

$$K_W = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-14} \text{ at } 25^\circ\text{C}$$

$$-\log K_W = -\log[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] - \log[\text{OH}^-] = -\log(1.0 \times 10^{-14})$$

$$\text{p}K_W = \text{pH} + \text{pOH} = -(-14)$$

$$\text{p}K_W = \text{pH} + \text{pOH} = 14 \text{ at } 25^\circ\text{C}$$

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### Concentration and pH and pOH Examples at 25°C

	[H <sup>+</sup> ]	[OH <sup>-</sup> ]	pH	pOH	Acidic/Basic
pH = 5.52					
0.15 M HNO <sub>3</sub>					
0.0100 M Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub>					
1.0x10 <sup>-10</sup> M Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub>					

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### Concentration and pH and pOH Examples at 25°C

	[H <sup>+</sup> ]	[OH <sup>-</sup> ]	pH	pOH	Acidic/Basic
pH = 5.52	3.0x10 <sup>-6</sup> M	3.3x10 <sup>-9</sup> M	5.52	8.48	Acidic
0.15 M HNO <sub>3</sub>	0.15 M	6.7x10 <sup>-14</sup> M	0.82	13.18	Acidic
0.0100 M Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub>	5.00x10 <sup>-13</sup> M	2.00x10 <sup>-2</sup> M	12.301	1.699	Basic
1.0x10 <sup>-10</sup> M Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub>	1x10 <sup>-7</sup> M	1x10 <sup>-7</sup> M	7	7	Neutral

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### Strong Acid and Bases Examples

1. Calculate the pH of a solution of 0.400 g of HI in 500. ml of solution.
2. Calculate the the mass of Sr(OH)<sub>2</sub> which must be dissolved in 600. ml of solution to make a pH of 12.00.

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### Weak Acid and Bases Examples

1. Butyric acid,  $\text{HC}_4\text{H}_7\text{O}_2$  (or  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$ ) is used to make compounds employed in artificial flavorings and syrups. A 0.250 M aqueous solution of  $\text{HC}_4\text{H}_7\text{O}_2$  is found to have a pH of 2.72. Determine  $K_A$  for butyric acid.
2. Calculate the pH of a 0.20 M solution of KF,  $K_b$  for  $\text{F}^-$  is  $1.5 \times 10^{-11}$ .

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### Hydrolysis

is the reaction between water and the ions contained in the water solution. When this occurs, this could result in producing an acidic or basic solution.

**Spectator ions** do NOT undergo hydrolysis. They are:

1. Group 1 (alkali metals):  $\text{Li}^+$ ,  $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{K}^+$ ,  $\text{Rb}^+$ ,  $\text{Cs}^+$ ,  $\text{Fr}^+$
2. Group 2 (alkaline-earth metals):  $\text{Be}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Sr}^{2+}$
3. Conjugate bases of strong acids:  $\text{ClO}_4^-$ ,  $\text{I}^-$ ,  $\text{Br}^-$ ,  $\text{Cl}^-$ ,  $\text{NO}_3^-$

$\text{HClO}_4$	$\rightarrow$	$\text{H}^+ + \text{ClO}_4^-$	very large
$\text{HI}$	$\rightarrow$	$\text{H}^+ + \text{I}^-$	very large
$\text{HBr}$	$\rightarrow$	$\text{H}^+ + \text{Br}^-$	very large
$\text{HCl}$	$\rightarrow$	$\text{H}^+ + \text{Cl}^-$	very large
$\text{HNO}_3$	$\rightarrow$	$\text{H}^+ + \text{NO}_3^-$	very large

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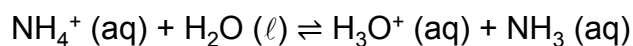
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### Cation that undergo hydrolysis

- $\text{NH}_4^+$ , ammonia



Hydrolysis equation:



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### Hydrated cations that undergo hydrolysis

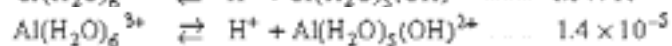
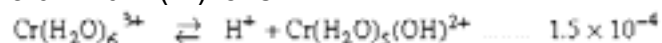
- Transition metals have smaller ions and bigger charges
- This attracts  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecules
- Example –  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  or iron (III) ions forms



Hexaaquoiron, or iron (III) ion is a weak acid.



- Other hydrated ions are chromium (III) and aluminum (III) ions



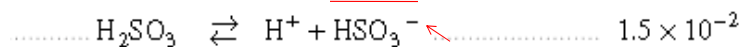
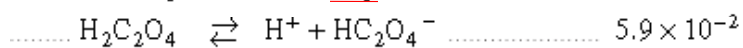
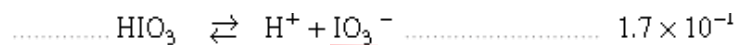
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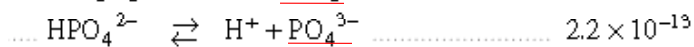
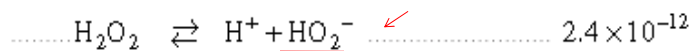
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### Anions that undergo hydrolysis



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All ions in this section can undergo hydrolysis.



Anions that are not amphiprotic will act as weak bases in water.

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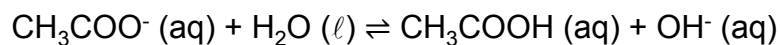
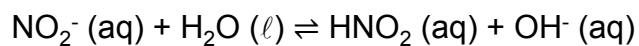
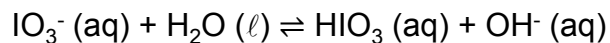
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### Anions that undergo hydrolysis

Examples of net ionic hydrolysis equations are:



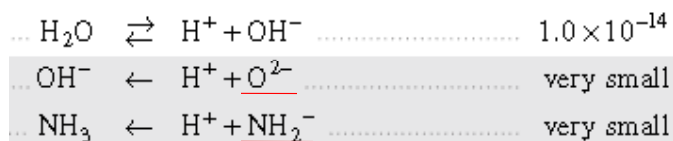
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### Anions that undergo hydrolysis



These 2 ions act as **STRONG** Bases. They undergo 100% hydrolysis to form  $\text{OH}^-$  ions.

Anions that are not amphiprotic will act as weak bases in water.

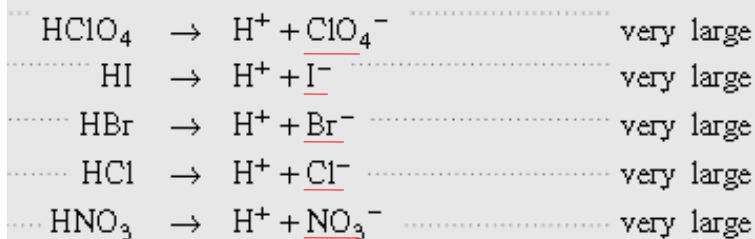
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### Anions that do not undergo hydrolysis



These 5 ions do **NOT** undergo hydrolysis. They are spectators.

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### Amphiprotic anions that undergo hydrolysis

These anions start with “H” and have a “-” charge.

Examples:  $\text{HSO}_4^-$ ,  $\text{HSO}_3^-$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$ ,  $\text{HPO}_4^{2-}$ ,  $\text{HS}^-$  etc.

Amphiprotic anions hydrolyze as **acids** to produce  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ , but they also hydrolyze as **bases** to produce  $\text{OH}^-$ . Compare the  $K_a$  and  $K_b$  values to determine the predominant hydrolysis.

Find the  $K_a$  of the ion by looking for the ion on the LEFT side of the acid table.

Find the  $K_b$  of the ion by looking for the ion on the RIGHT side of the acid table. ( $K_b = K_w/K_a$  (conjugate acid))

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### 1. Is the salt NaCl acidic, basic or neutral in water?



**Na<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup> ions are spectator ions.**

As a result ...

No hydrolysis reaction occurs.  
Solution is neutral.

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2. Is the salt NaF acidic, basic or neutral in water?  
What is the net ionic equation?



**Na<sup>+</sup> ions are spectator ions.**  
**F<sup>-</sup> ions are found on the right side of the acid table.**  
**It is a weak base.**



As a result ...

F<sup>-</sup> undergoes hydrolysis reaction.  
F<sup>-</sup> (aq) + H<sub>2</sub>O (ℓ) ⇌ HF (aq) + OH<sup>-</sup> (aq)  
Solution is basic.

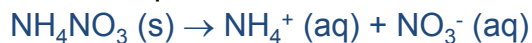
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3. Is the salt NH<sub>4</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> acidic, basic or neutral in water?  
What is the net ionic equation?



**NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> ions are spectator ions.**  
**NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> ions are found on the left side of the acid table.**  
**It is a weak acid.**



As a result ...

NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> undergoes hydrolysis reaction.  
NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> (aq) + H<sub>2</sub>O (ℓ) ⇌ NH<sub>3</sub> (aq) + H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> (aq)  
Solution is acidic.

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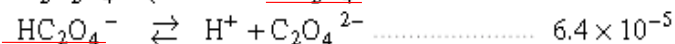
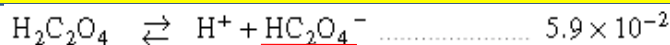
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4. Is the salt  $\text{NaHC}_2\text{O}_4$  acidic, basic or neutral in water?  
What is the net ionic equation?



$\text{Na}^+$  ions are spectator ions.

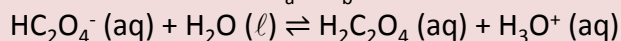
$\text{HC}_2\text{O}_4^-$  ions are found on the right and left side of the acid table.  
It can either be a weak acid or a weak base.



As a result, compare  
 $K_a$  and  $K_b$  values of  $\text{HC}_2\text{O}_4^-$ .

$$K_a = 6.4 \times 10^{-5}; \quad K_b = \frac{10^{-14}}{5.9 \times 10^{-2}} = 1.7 \times 10^{-13}$$

$K_a > K_b$ .



Solution is acidic.

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5. Is the salt  $\text{NH}_4\text{NO}_2$  acidic, basic or neutral in water?  
Write the net ionic equation.



$\text{NH}_4^+$  ions are found on the left side of the acid table.

$\text{NO}_2^-$  ions are found on the right side of the acid table.



As a result, compare  
 $K_a$  of  $\text{NH}_4^+$   $K_b$  of  $\text{NO}_2^-$ .

$$K_a = 5.6 \times 10^{-10}; \quad K_b = \frac{10^{-14}}{4.6 \times 10^{-4}} = 2.2 \times 10^{-11}$$

$K_a > K_b$ . Solution is acidic.

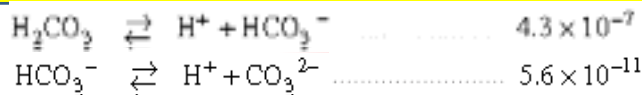
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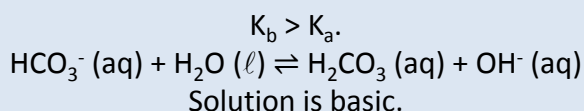
6. Is the  $\text{HCO}_3^-$  ion acidic, basic or neutral in water?

$\text{HCO}_3^-$  ions are found on the right and left side of the acid table.



As a result, compare  $K_a$  and  $K_b$  of  $\text{HCO}_3^-$ .

$$K_a = 5.6 \times 10^{-11}; \quad K_b = \frac{10^{-14}}{4.3 \times 10^{-7}} = 2.3 \times 10^{-8}$$



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### Salt Examples

Predict whether the following solutions are acidic or basic?

a) NaOCl     $\text{Na}^+$  no hydrolysis,  $\text{OCl}^-$  is conjugate base of HOCl.

Therefore solution is basic.

b) KCl         $\text{K}^+$  no hydrolysis,  $\text{Cl}^-$  no hydrolysis.

Therefore solution is neutral.

c)  $\text{NH}_4\text{Br}$      $\text{Br}^-$  no hydrolysis (HBr is strong acid) ,

$\text{NH}_4^+$  is a weak acid. Therefore solution is acidic.

d)  $\text{NH}_4\text{CN}$     Both  $\text{NH}_4^+$  and  $\text{CN}^-$  hydrolyze in aqueous solutions.  
Must compare the values of  $K_a(\text{NH}_4^+) = 5.6 \times 10^{-10}$   
and  $K_b(\text{CN}^-) = 2.0 \times 10^{-5}$ . Since  $K_b > K_a$  the solution is basic.

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**TABLE 14.6** Acid-Base Properties of Various Types of Salts

Type of Salt	Examples	Comment	pH of Solution
Cation is from strong base; anion is from strong acid	KCl, KNO <sub>3</sub> , NaCl, NaNO <sub>3</sub>	Neither acts as an acid or a base	Neutral
Cation is from strong base; anion is from weak acid	Na <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> , KCN, NaF	Anion acts as a base; cation has no effect on pH	Basic
Cation is conjugate acid of weak base; anion is from strong acid	NH <sub>4</sub> Cl, NH <sub>4</sub> NO <sub>3</sub>	Cation acts as acid; anion has no effect on pH	Acidic
Cation is conjugate acid of weak base; anion is conjugate base of weak acid	NH <sub>4</sub> C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> , NH <sub>4</sub> CN	Cation acts as an acid; anion acts as a base	Acidic if $K_a > K_b$ , basic if $K_b > K_a$ , neutral if $K_a = K_b$
Cation is highly charged metal ion; anion is from strong acid	Al(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> , FeCl <sub>3</sub>	Hydrated cation acts as an acid; anion has no effect on pH	Acidic

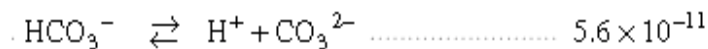
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Is the salt Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> acidic, basic or neutral in water?  
Write the net ionic equation.



Na<sup>+</sup> ions are spectator ions.  
CO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup> ions are found on the right side of the acid table.  
It is a weak base.



As a result ...

CO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup> undergoes hydrolysis reaction. The net ionic equation is  
CO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup> (aq) + H<sub>2</sub>O (ℓ) ⇌ HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> (aq) + OH<sup>-</sup> (aq)  
Solution is basic.



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Calculate the pH of 0.30 M  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ .

Step 1: Identify the ions involved.



Spectator ion

Found on the right side of the acid table; undergo base hydrolysis

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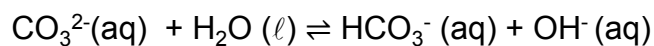
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Calculate the pH of 0.30 M  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ .

Step 2: Write the net ionic equation for the hydrolysis. Set up ICE table.



	$\text{CO}_3^{2-} (\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O} (\ell) \rightleftharpoons \text{HCO}_3^- (\text{aq}) + \text{OH}^- (\text{aq})$			
[I]	0.30		0	0
[C]	- x		+ x	+ x
[E]	0.30 - x		x	x

Stoichiometric ratio

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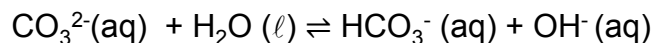
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Step 3: Determine the  $K_b$  for the base hydrolysis.



Look up in the acid table the  $K_a$  for  $\text{HCO}_3^-$



$$K_b = \frac{K_w}{K_a(\text{HCO}_3^-)} = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-14}}{5.6 \times 10^{-11}} = 1.786 \times 10^{-4}$$

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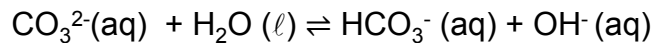
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Calculate the pH of 0.30 M  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ .

Step 4: Write the  $K_b$  expression for the base hydrolysis.



$$K_b = \frac{[\text{HCO}_3^-] \cdot [\text{OH}^-]}{[\text{CO}_3^{2-}]}$$

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Calculate the pH of 0.30 M  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ .

Step 5: Substitute in the equilibrium concentrations from the ICE table.

	$\text{CO}_3^{2-}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\ell) \rightleftharpoons \text{HCO}_3^-(\text{aq}) + \text{OH}^-(\text{aq})$			
[I]	0.30		0	0
[C]	-x		+x	+x
[E]	0.30 - x		x	x

$$K_b = \frac{[\text{HCO}_3^-] \cdot [\text{OH}^-]}{[\text{CO}_3^{2-}]} = \frac{x^2}{0.30 - x} = 1.786 \times 10^{-4}$$

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Calculate the pH of 0.30 M  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ .

Step 6: Solve for x, where  $x = [\text{OH}^-]$ .

$$K_b = \frac{[\text{HCO}_3^-] \cdot [\text{OH}^-]}{[\text{CO}_3^{2-}]} = \frac{x^2}{0.30 - x} = 1.786 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{0.30} = 1.786 \times 10^{-4}$$

Use assumption  $0.30 - x \cong 0.30$   
because  
 $[0.30] > 1000 \times 1.786 \times 10^{-4}$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = x = 7.319 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$$

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Calculate the pH of 0.30 M  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ .

Step 7: From the  $[\text{OH}^-]$ , calculate the pOH.

$$\text{pOH} = -\log (7.319 \times 10^{-3}) = 2.1355$$

Step 8: Convert pOH to pH.

$$\text{pH} = 14 - \text{pOH} = 14 - 2.1355 = 11.86$$

Step 9: Check that your answer makes sense.

We expect  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  ions will undergo base hydrolysis.  $\text{pH} > 7$ .

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Dissolve 45.0 g of  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  in 1.50 L of water. What is the pH of this solution? Molar mass of  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  is 53.5 g/mole.

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Step 1: Determine the concentration of the solution.

$$\frac{45.0 \text{ g}}{53.5 \text{ g/mole}} = 0.841 \text{ mole}$$

$$\frac{0.841 \text{ mole}}{1.50 \text{ L}} = 0.561 \text{ M } \text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$$

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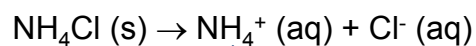
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Step 2: Identify the ions involved.



Found on the left side of the acid table; undergo acid hydrolysis

Spectator ion

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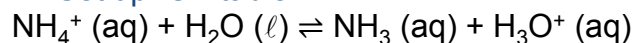
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Step 3: Write the net ionic equation for the hydrolysis.

Set up ICE table.



	$\text{NH}_4^+ (\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O} (\ell) \rightleftharpoons \text{NH}_3 (\text{aq}) + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ (\text{aq})$		
[I]	0.561		0      0
[C]	- x		+ x    + x
[E]	0.561 - x		x      x

Stoichiometric ratio

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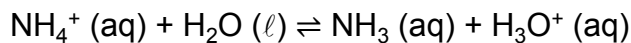
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Look up in the acid table the  $K_a$  for  $\text{NH}_4^+$



$K_a$

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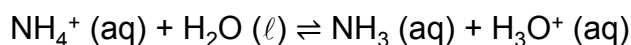
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Step 5: Write the  $K_a$  expression for the acid hydrolysis.



$$K_a = \frac{[\text{NH}_3] \cdot [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]}{[\text{NH}_4^+]}$$

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Step 6: Substitute in the equilibrium concentrations from the ICE table.

	$\text{NH}_4^+ (\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O} (\ell) \rightleftharpoons \text{NH}_3 (\text{aq}) + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ (\text{aq})$			
[I]	0.561		0	0
[C]	- x		+ x	+ x
[E]	0.561 - x		x	x

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{NH}_3] \cdot [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]}{[\text{NH}_4^+]} = \frac{x^2}{0.561 - x} = 5.6 \times 10^{-10}$$

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Step 7: Solve for x, where  $x = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$ .

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{NH}_3] \cdot [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]}{[\text{NH}_4^+]} = \frac{x^2}{0.561 - x} = 5.6 \times 10^{-10}$$

Make assumption:  $0.561 - x \cong 0.561$

$$K_a = \frac{x^2}{0.561} = 5.6 \times 10^{-10}$$

Check assumption:  
[Initial] > 1000 x  $K_a$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = x = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$$

Assumption is valid because  
 $0.561 > 1000 \times 5.6 \times 10^{-10}$

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Step 8: Convert to pH.

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = x = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log(1.8 \times 10^{-5}) = 4.74$$

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### Titration

- Equivalence point:
  - The point in the reaction at which both acid and base have been consumed.
  - Neither acid nor base is present in excess.
- End point:
  - The point at which the indicator changes color.
- Titrant:
  - The solution added to the solution in the flask.
- Titration Curve:
  - A plot of pH of the solution being analyzed as a function of the amount of titrant added.

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### Acid-Base Indicators

- Color of some substances depends on the pH.
 
$$\text{HIn}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\ell) \rightleftharpoons \text{In}^-(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+(\text{aq})$$
  - >90% acid form the color appears to be the acid color
  - >90% base form the color appears to be the base color
  - Intermediate color is seen in between these two states.
- Complete color change occurs over 2 pH units
- Marks the **end point** of a titration by changing color.
- The **equivalence point** is **not** necessarily the same as the **end point**.

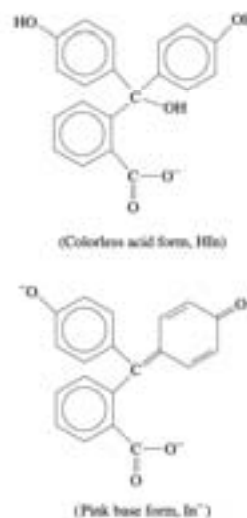
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The acid and base forms of the indicator phenolphthalein. In the acid form (HIn), the molecule is colorless. When a proton (plus  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) is removed to give the base form ( $\text{In}^-$ ), the color changes to pink.

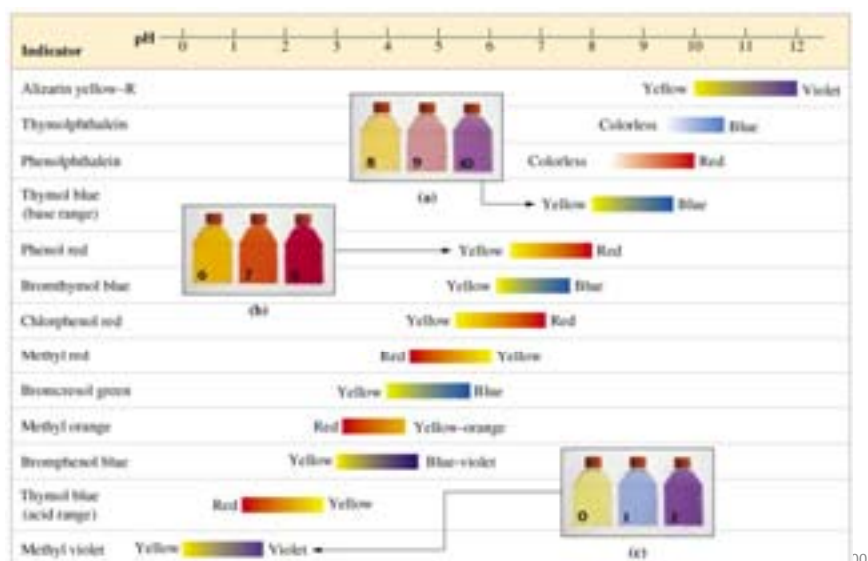


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### Titration of a Strong Acid with a Strong Base

- The pH has a low value at the beginning.
- The pH changes slowly
  - until just before the equivalence point.
- The pH rises sharply
  - perhaps 6 units per 0.1 mL addition of titrant.
- The pH rises slowly again.
- Any Acid-Base Indicator will do.
  - As long as color change occurs between pH 4 and 10.

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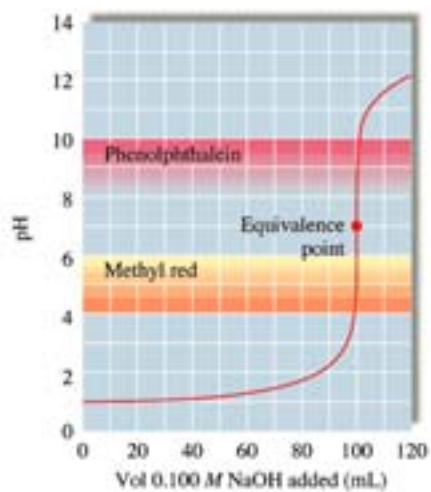
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The pH curve for the titration of 100.0 mL of 0.10 M HCl with 0.10 M NaOH.

Note:

- At the equivalence point  $\text{pH} = 7$
- Either indicator will give a fairly accurate result



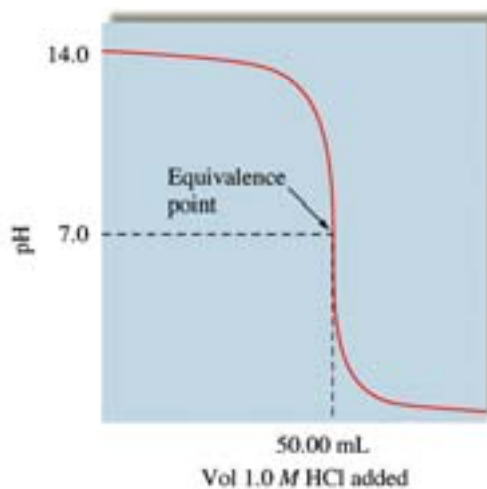
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For the titration of a strong base with a strong acid the titration curve is just flipped over.

The pH curve for the titration of 100.0 mL of 0.50 M NaOH with 1.0 M HCl.



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### Weak Acid - Strong Base Titration

- Step 1 - A **stoichiometry problem** - reaction is assumed to run to completion - then determine remaining species.
- Step 2 - An **equilibrium problem** - determine position of weak acid equilibrium and calculate pH.

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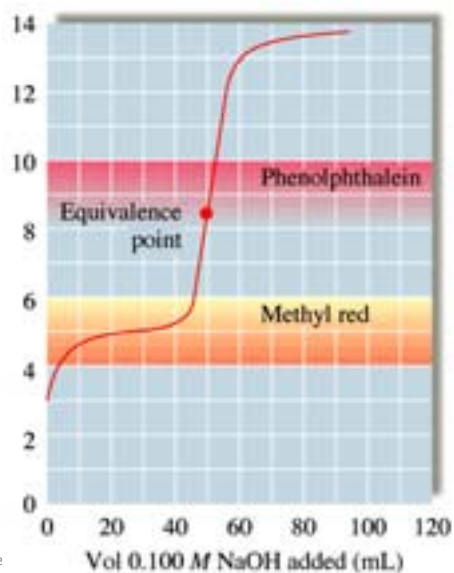
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### Weak Acid - Strong Base Titration

The pH curve for the titration of 50.0 mL of 0.100 M  $\text{HC}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2$  with 0.100 M NaOH.

Note:

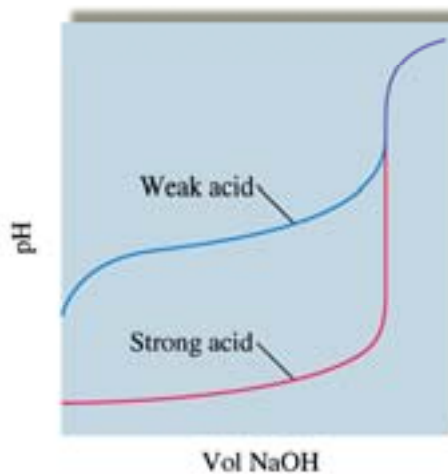
- At the equivalence point  $\text{pH} > 7$
- Choice of indicator is important
- $\text{pK}_a = \text{pH}$  at the point halfway to the equivalence point
- The pH is fairly constant around halfway to the equivalence point i.e. it is a buffer solution



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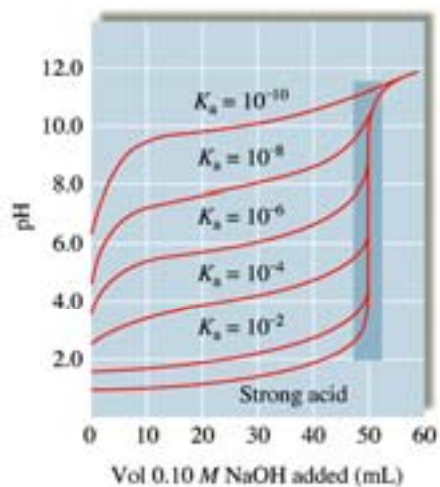
Comparison of strong and weak acid titration curves.



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The pH curves for the titrations of 50.0-mL samples of 0.10 M acids with various  $K_a$  values with 0.10 M NaOH.



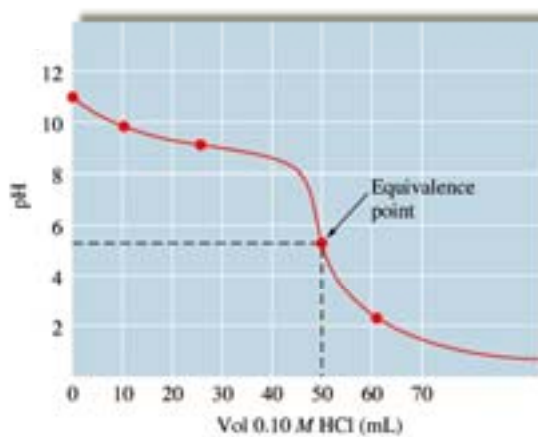
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For the titration of a weak base with a strong acid the titration curve is just flipped over.

The pH curve for the titration of 100.0 mL of 0.050 M  $\text{NH}_3$  with 0.10 M HCl.

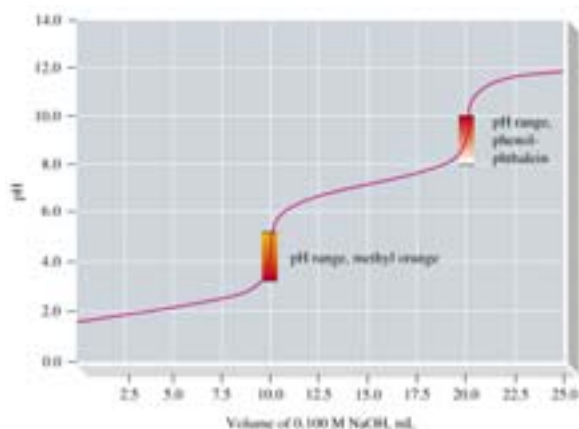
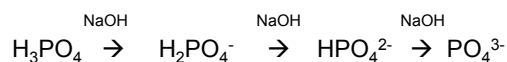
Note at equivalence point  $\text{pH} < 7$



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### Titration of a Weak Polyprotic Acid



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### Buffer Solutions

- Two component systems that change pH only slightly on addition of acid or base.
  - The two components must not neutralize each other but must neutralize strong acids and bases.
- A weak acid and its conjugate base.
- A weak base and its conjugate acid
- After addition of strong acid or base, deal with **stoichiometry first**, then equilibrium.

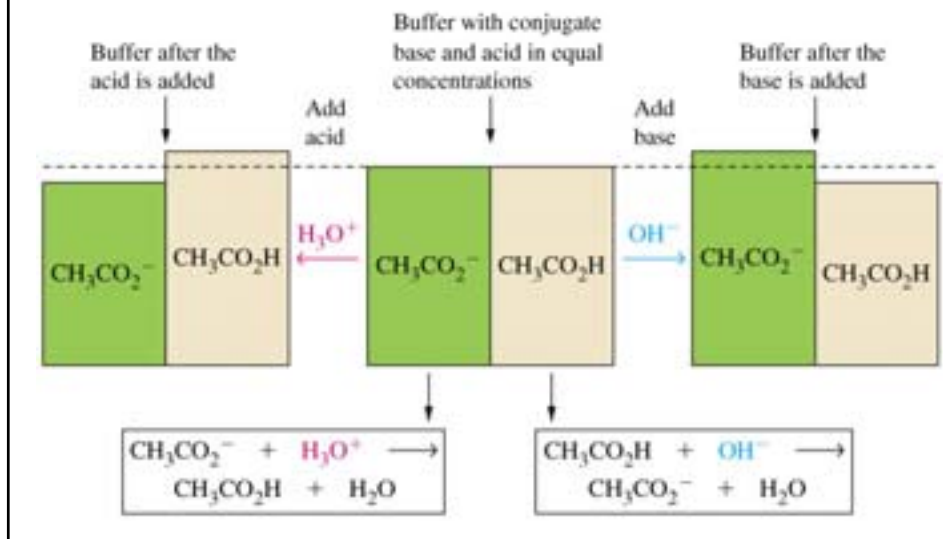
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### How A Buffer Works



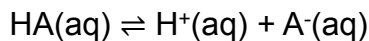
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### The Henderson-Hasselbalch Equation

A variation of the ionization constant expression.

Consider a hypothetical weak acid, HA, and its salt NaA:



$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]} \Rightarrow -\log(K_a) = -\log[\text{H}^+] - \log \frac{[\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]}$$

$$\text{p}K_a = \text{pH} - \log \frac{[\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]} \quad \text{or} \quad \text{pH} = \text{p}K_a + \log \frac{[\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]}$$

$$\text{pH} = \text{p}K_a + \log \frac{[\text{conjugate base}]}{[\text{conjugate acid}]}$$

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### The Henderson-Hasselbalch Equation

- Only useful when you can use *initial* concentrations of acid and salt.
  - This limits the validity of the equation.

- Limits can be met by:

$$0.1 < \frac{[A^-]}{[HA]} < 10$$

$$\text{and both } [A^-] > 10K_a \text{ and } [HA] > 10K_a$$

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### Characteristics of the Henderson-Hasselbalch Equation

- pH depends only on the ratio  $[A^-]/[HA]$ 
  - This means that the pH of a buffer solution does not change on dilution.
- When  $[A^-] = [HA]$  then  $pH = pK_a$ . This is also the point where the ratio changes least upon the addition of either acid or base. Therefore a system is best at buffering at a  $pH = pK_a$ .
- pH changes as the Log of the ratio  $[A^-]/[HA]$ . Therefore pH is not very sensitive to the value of  $[A^-]/[HA]$
- The larger the value of  $[A^-]$  and  $[HA]$  the more acid or base that can be added without significantly changing the pH (i.e. the greater the buffering capacity of the solution).

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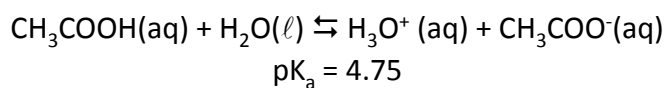
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### Buffer Solutions

Consider the case of acetic acid



$[\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-]/[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}]$	pH
0.1	3.75
0.5	4.45
1	4.75
2	5.05
10	5.75

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### Preparing a Buffer Solution of a Desired pH

- What mass of  $\text{NaC}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2$  must be dissolved in 0.300 L of 0.25 M  $\text{HC}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2$  ( $K_a = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$ ) to produce a solution with pH = 5.09? (Assume that the solution volume is constant at 0.300 L)

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