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8. Acids and Bases

8.1 Acid Base Definitions

8.1.1

Acids and Bases Definitions

- **Arrhenius definition:** compounds identified as producing H^+ or OH^- ions in solution
 - Acids produce H^+ ions:



- Bases produce OH^- ions:

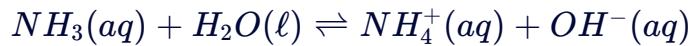


- **Modified Arrhenius definition:** compounds identified as acids or bases based on their reaction with water

- Acids react with water to produce H_3O^+ ions

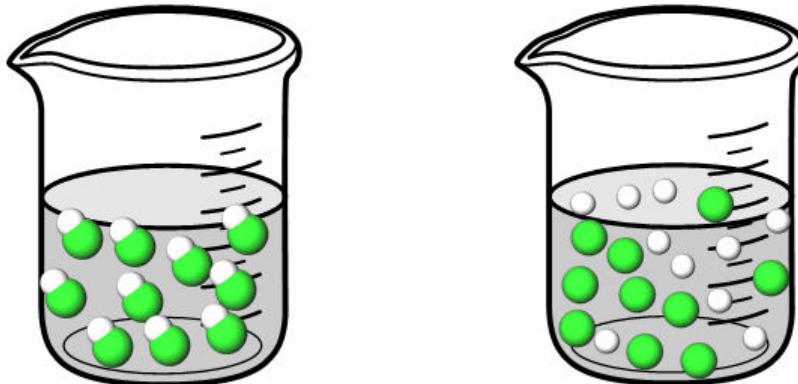


- Bases react with water to produce OH^- ions

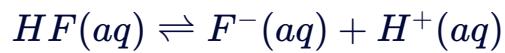


Acid and Base Strength

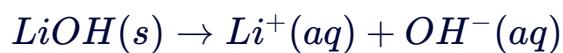
- Strong acids ionize completely:



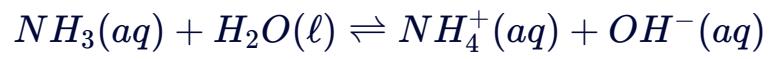
- Weak acids partially ionize to give H^+ :



- Strong bases dissociate completely in water:



- Weak bases react with water to give OH^- , but the reaction is not complete



Properties of Acids and Bases



Acids

- Taste Sour
- No particular texture
- Turns blue litmus paper red
- $\text{pH} < 7$

Bases

- Taste Bitter
- Feel slippery
- Turns red litmus paper blue
- $\text{pH} > 7$

Naming Acids and Bases

Naming Acids without Oxygen

- A **binary acid** is an acid that consists of hydrogen and one other element.
- To name a binary acid, start with the **prefix hydro-**, followed by the **base name of the anion** and **the ending -ic** then the word **acid**

Example: HCl is _____

Naming Acids with Oxygen

- Acids that are made out of hydrogen, oxygen and a third element are known as **oxyacids**. The third element is usually a nonmetal.
- If the anion has the **-ite** ending, the name of the acid is the root of the anion followed by the suffix **-ous**.

Example: HNO₂ is _____

- If the anion has the **-ate** ending, the name of the acid is the root of the anion followed by the suffix **-ic**.

Example: HNO₃ is _____

Naming Bases

- Most common bases are ionic hydroxides. Use the naming convention for ionic compounds with polyatomic ions

Example: NaOH is _____

Practice: Acids and Bases Definitions and Properties

Match the following terms and definitions

- A.** Feels slippery
- B.** Completely dissociates in solution
- C.** Partially ionize in solution
- D.** Taste sour

Weak acid

Strong base

Property of an acid

Property of a base

Practice: Identifying Arrhenius Acids and Bases

Part 1

Which of the following compounds is a base according to the Arrhenius theory? Select all that apply.

KOH

HClO

Ba(OH)₂

H₃PO₄

Practice: Identifying Arrhenius Acids and Bases

Part 2

Which of the following compounds is an acid according to the Arrhenius theory? Select all that apply.

NaOH

Ca(OH)₂

H₃PO₃

HF

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Which one of the following statements about strong acids is true?

All strong acids have H atoms bonded to electronegative oxygen atoms.

Strong acids are 100% ionized in water.

Strong acids are very concentrated acids.

Strong acids produce solutions with a higher pH than weak acids.

Example: Identifying Strong Acids and Bases

Group the following molecules as strong acids, strong bases, or neither: HBr, NaCl, H₂SO₄, Mg(OH)₂, KOH, H₃PO₄

8.2 Titrations

8.2.1

Introduction to Titrations

- **Titrations** always involve an acid reacting with a base. We perform titrations to determine the unknown concentration of an acid or a base.
- Titrations are **neutralization reactions** between a **titrant** and **analyte**.

Titrant

- Solution in the burette
- We know its concentration and it is usually a strong acid or base
- We control the amount of the titrant we add to the flask



Analyte

- Solution in the volumetric flask
- We don't know its concentration
- We do know its volume

Equivalence Point and End-Point

- Once the number of moles of titrant equals the number of moles of analyte, the reaction is complete and we have reached the **equivalence point**
- We follow the change in pH of the analyte as titrant is added to it:
 - a. Using a pH meter
 - A sudden change in pH helps us determine when we have reached the equivalence point.
 - a. Using an indicator
 - **Indicators** help to show a pH change by changing the color inside the flask
- We refer to the point at which the sudden change in pH occurs or when the color of the indicator changes, as the **end point** of the titration.

Indicators

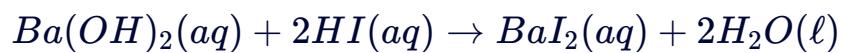
- An **indicator** is a weak acid or base added in a very small quantity to the analyte of a titration before the experiment begins.
- We observe the colour changes in an indicator over a small pH range.
- To pick an indicator for your acid-base titration, select an indicator whose colour changes around the pH at the equivalence point

Name	Acid Colour	pH Range of Colour Change	Base Colour
Alizarin yellow	Yellow	10.1 – 12.0	Red
Phenolphthalein	Colorless	8.2 – 10.0	Pink
Bromothymol blue	Yellow	6.0 – 7.6	Blue
Methyl orange	Red	3.2 – 4.4	Yellow
Bromocresol green	Yellow	3.8 – 5.4	Blue

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Example: Titrations

What volume of 0.030 mol/L HI (aq) is required to neutralize 15mL of 0.010 mol/L Ba(OH)₂ (aq)?



Practice: Titrations Terms and Definitions

Match the following terms and definitions.

- A.** the procedure used to determine the concentration of a solution
- B.** the standardized solution of known concentration
- C.** the point at which indicator colour changes permanently
- D.** the calibrated tube that is used measure titrant
- E.** the theoretical point at which neutralization is complete
- F.** solution whose concentration is unknown

titrant

end point

equivalence point

burette

titration

analyte

Practice: Indicators

Methyl orange indicator is added to a solution with a pH of 6.4. In this solution the colour of the indicator is predicted to be:

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colourless

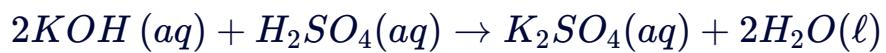
red

orange

yellow

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25mL of a solution of 0.5mol/L KOH is required to neutralize 15mL of sulphuric acid. What is the concentration of the acid?



0.26mol/L

0.42mol/L

0.96mol/L

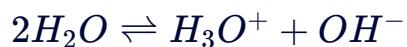
1.1mol/L

8.3 pH and pOH Calculations

8.3.1

pH and pOH Calculations

- In pure water, at 25°C the following chemical reaction takes place:



- We can classify aqueous solutions based on the concentration of the hydronium ions:
 - neutral solutions: $[H_3O^+(aq)] = 1 \times 10^{-7} mol/L$
 - acidic solutions: $[H_3O^+(aq)] > 1 \times 10^{-7} mol/L$
 - basic solutions: $[H_3O^+(aq)] < 1 \times 10^{-7} mol/L$
- From here we can define pH, or the "power of hydrogen":

$$pH = -\log [H_3O^+(aq)] \text{ and } [H_3O^+(aq)] = 10^{-pH}$$

- We can also define pOH:

$$pOH = -\log [OH^-(aq)] \text{ and } [OH^-(aq)] = 10^{-pOH}$$

8.3.2

Example: Calculating pH

If 0.2mol of HCl are dissolved in 1.8L of water, what is the pH?

Practice: Calculating pH

Calculate the pH of a 2.75×10^{-3} mol/L aqueous HNO_3 solution. Give your answer to two decimal places.

Answer

Practice: Understanding pH

A solution with a pH of 1 has ____ the hydronium ion concentration compared to a solution with a pH of 4.

3 times

300 times

1000 times

3000 times

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Practice: Solutions and pH

Calculate the pH of a solution prepared by adding 25.00mL of 0.100mol/L HCl with 75.00mL of 2.50×10^{-2} mol/L HBr. Give your answer rounded to two decimal points.

Answer
