

$\text{Ca}^{2+}$  ions. The ion concentrations in the saturated solution are  $1.1 \times 10^{-3}$  for the calcium ion and  $2(1.1 \times 10^{-3})$ , or  $2.2 \times 10^{-3}$ , for the fluoride ion. Note that at equilibrium at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $[\text{Ca}^{2+}]$  equals the solubility of  $1.1 \times 10^{-3}$  mol/L but  $[\text{F}^-]$  equals twice the solubility, or  $2.2 \times 10^{-3}$  mol/L. The number of moles of positive and negative ions per mole of compound must always be accounted for when using  $K_{sp}$  and solubilities.

$$K_{sp} = [\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{F}^-]^2$$

$$K_{sp} = (1.1 \times 10^{-3})(2.2 \times 10^{-3})^2$$

$$K_{sp} = 5.3 \times 10^{-9}$$

Thus, the solubility product constant of  $\text{CaF}_2$  is  $5.3 \times 10^{-9}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .

It is difficult to measure very small concentrations of a solute with precision. For this reason, solubility data from different sources may report different values of  $K_{sp}$  for a substance. Thus, calculations of  $K_{sp}$  ordinarily should be limited to two significant figures. Representative values of  $K_{sp}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  for some sparingly soluble compounds are listed in **Table 3**. Assume that all data used in  $K_{sp}$  calculations have been taken at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise specified.

At this point, you should note the difference between the solubility of a given solid and its solubility product constant. Remember that the *solubility product constant* is an equilibrium constant representing the product of the molar concentrations of its ions in a saturated solution. It

**TABLE 3 Solubility Product Constants,  $K_{sp}$ , at  $25^\circ\text{C}$**

Salt	Ion product	$K_{sp}$	Salt	Ion product	$K_{sp}$
$\text{AgCH}_3\text{COO}$	$[\text{Ag}^+][\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-]$	$1.9 \times 10^{-3}$	$\text{CuCl}$	$[\text{Cu}^+][\text{Cl}^-]$	$1.2 \times 10^{-6}$
$\text{AgBr}$	$[\text{Ag}^+][\text{Br}^-]$	$5.0 \times 10^{-13}$	$\text{CuS}$	$[\text{Cu}^{2+}][\text{S}^{2-}]$	$6.3 \times 10^{-36}$
$\text{Ag}_2\text{CO}_3$	$[\text{Ag}^+]^2[\text{CO}_3^{2-}]$	$8.1 \times 10^{-12}$	$\text{FeS}$	$[\text{Fe}^{2+}][\text{S}^{2-}]$	$6.3 \times 10^{-18}$
$\text{AgCl}$	$[\text{Ag}^+][\text{Cl}^-]$	$1.8 \times 10^{-10}$	$\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2$	$[\text{Fe}^{2+}][\text{OH}^-]^2$	$8.0 \times 10^{-16}$
$\text{AgI}$	$[\text{Ag}^+][\text{I}^-]$	$8.3 \times 10^{-17}$	$\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3$	$[\text{Fe}^{3+}][\text{OH}^-]^3$	$4 \times 10^{-38}$
$\text{Ag}_2\text{S}$	$[\text{Ag}^+]^2[\text{S}^{2-}]$	$6.3 \times 10^{-50}$	$\text{HgS}$	$[\text{Hg}^{2+}][\text{S}^{2-}]$	$1.6 \times 10^{-52}$
$\text{Al}(\text{OH})_3$	$[\text{Al}^{3+}][\text{OH}^-]^3$	$1.3 \times 10^{-33}$	$\text{MgCO}_3$	$[\text{Mg}^{2+}][\text{CO}_3^{2-}]$	$3.5 \times 10^{-8}$
$\text{BaCO}_3$	$[\text{Ba}^{2+}][\text{CO}_3^{2-}]$	$5.1 \times 10^{-9}$	$\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$	$[\text{Mg}^{2+}][\text{OH}^-]^2$	$1.8 \times 10^{-11}$
$\text{BaSO}_4$	$[\text{Ba}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]$	$1.1 \times 10^{-10}$	$\text{MnS}$	$[\text{Mn}^{2+}][\text{S}^{2-}]$	$2.5 \times 10^{-13}$
$\text{CdS}$	$[\text{Cd}^{2+}][\text{S}^{2-}]$	$8.0 \times 10^{-27}$	$\text{PbCl}_2$	$[\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{Cl}^-]^2$	$1.6 \times 10^{-5}$
$\text{CaCO}_3$	$[\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{CO}_3^{2-}]$	$2.8 \times 10^{-9}$	$\text{PbCrO}_4$	$[\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{CrO}_4^{2-}]$	$2.8 \times 10^{-13}$
$\text{CaF}_2$	$[\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{F}^-]^2$	$5.3 \times 10^{-9}$	$\text{PbSO}_4$	$[\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]$	$1.6 \times 10^{-8}$
$\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$	$[\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{OH}^-]^2$	$5.5 \times 10^{-6}$	$\text{PbS}$	$[\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{S}^{2-}]$	$8.0 \times 10^{-28}$
$\text{CaSO}_4$	$[\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]$	$9.1 \times 10^{-6}$	$\text{SnS}$	$[\text{Sn}^{2+}][\text{S}^{2-}]$	$1.0 \times 10^{-25}$
$\text{CoCO}_3$	$[\text{Co}^{2+}][\text{CO}_3^{2-}]$	$1.4 \times 10^{-13}$	$\text{SrSO}_4$	$[\text{Sr}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]$	$3.2 \times 10^{-7}$
$\text{CoS}$	$[\text{Co}^{2+}][\text{S}^{2-}]$	$4.0 \times 10^{-21}$	$\text{ZnS}$	$[\text{Zn}^{2+}][\text{S}^{2-}]$	$1.6 \times 10^{-24}$