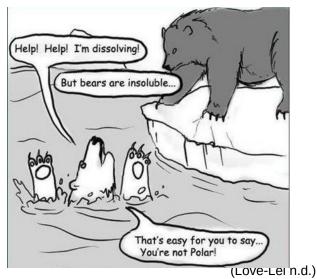
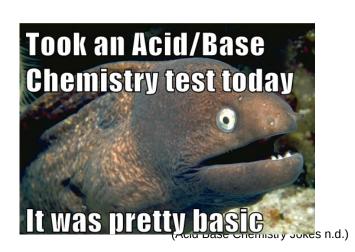


Aqueous Solutions and Acidity





(Starr n.d.)



NaCl NaOH

The base is under a salt!

Week		Outcomes	Refere
	•	the unique physical properties of water, including melting point, boiling point, density in solid and liquid phases and surface tension, can be explained by its molecular shape and hydrogen bonding between molecules	Lucarelli p1 (p131) q1 Lucarelli p1 (p137)
	•	the solubility of substances in water, including ionic and polar and non-polar molecular substances, can be explained by the intermolecular forces, including ion-dipole interactions between species in the substances and water molecules, and is affected by changes in temperature	VI A
	•	solutions can be classified as saturated, unsaturated or supersaturated; the concentration of a solution is defined as the quantity of solute dissolved in a quantity of solution; this can be represented in a variety of ways, including by the number of moles of the solute per litre of solution (mol L^{-1}) and the mass of the solute per litre of solution (g L^{-1}) or parts per million (ppm)	Lucarelli pa (p137) Lucarelli p (p146) q Lucarelli pa (p140)
	•	the mole concept can be used to calculate the mass of solute, and solution concentrations and volumes involved in a chemical reaction	((-1-5)
	•	Complete from week 30	Lucarelli pi
	•	the presence of specific ions in solutions can be identified by observing the colour of the solution, flame tests and observing various chemical reactions, including precipitation and acid-base reactions	(p155) Lucarelli p1 (p150)
	•	the Arrhenius model can be used to explain the behaviour of strong and weak acids and bases in aqueous solutions	Lucarelli pî (p155) q1, Lucarelli pî
	•	patterns of the reactions of acids and bases, including reactions of acids with bases, metals and carbonates and the reactions of bases with acids and ammonium salts, allow products and observations to be predicted from reactants; ionic equations represent the reacting species and products in these reactions	(p158)
	•	indicator colour and the pH scale are used to classify aqueous solutions as acidic, basic or neutral	
	•	pH is used as a measure of the acidity of solutions and is dependent on the concentration of hydrogen ions in the solution	
	•	the mole concept can be used to calculate the mass of solute, and solution concentrations and volumes involved in a chemical reaction	
	•	Exam Preparation	
	•	End of Year Exams	
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In addition the following objectives will need to be mastered in order to pass this course. Science Inquiry Skills

- identify, research, construct and refine questions for investigation; propose hypotheses; and predict possible outcomes
- design investigations, including the procedure(s) to be followed, the materials required, and the type
 and amount of primary and/or secondary data to be collected; conduct risk assessments; and consider
 research ethics
- conduct investigations safely, competently and methodically for the collection of valid and reliable data, including: chromatography, measuring pH, rate of reaction, identification of the products of reactions, and determination of solubilities of ionic compounds to recognise patterns in solubility
- represent data in meaningful and useful ways, including using appropriate graphic representations and correct units and symbols; organise and process data to identify trends, patterns and relationships; identify sources of random and systematic error; identify anomalous data; estimate the effect of error on measured results; and select, synthesise and use evidence to make and justify conclusions
- interpret a range of scientific and media texts, and evaluate processes, claims and conclusions by considering the quality of available evidence; and use reasoning to construct scientific arguments
- communicate to specific audiences and for specific purposes using appropriate language, nomenclature and formats, including scientific reports

Unique Properties of Water

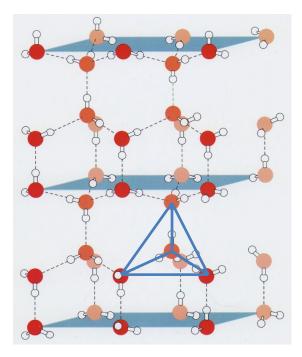
High melting and boiling points (0 °C and 100 °C respectively)

This is due to water being able to form strong hydrogen bonds between molecules and increased by the fact that each water molecule can form up to four hydrogen bonds with other water molecules.

The density of water increases with decreasing temperature until it is close to 0 °C after which its density starts to decrease and as it freezes, the density of the solid water becomes less than the density of the liquid water. For this reason, solid water (ice) floats in liquid water.

This is due to the fact that when solid, the water molecules arrange themselves such that each water molecule is attracted to four other water molecules in a tetrahedral arrangement. This spatial arrangement causes the water molecules to be further apart in ice than in water.

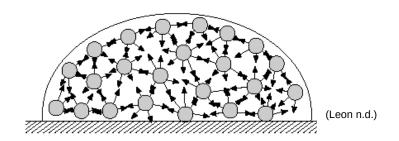
	Density	
Temp	pure	
(°C)	water	
	(g/cm ³)	
0 (solid)	0.9150	
0 (liquid)	0.9999	
4	1.0000	
20	0.9982	
40	0.9922	
60	0.9832	
80	0.9718	
100 (gas)	0.000	



(Serianni 2015)

Water has high surface tension

Surface tension is a liquids tendency to reduce its surface area. It is high in water due to the strong intermolecular forces at the surface of the liquid being unbalanced, causing the molecules to be pulled inwards.



Solubility

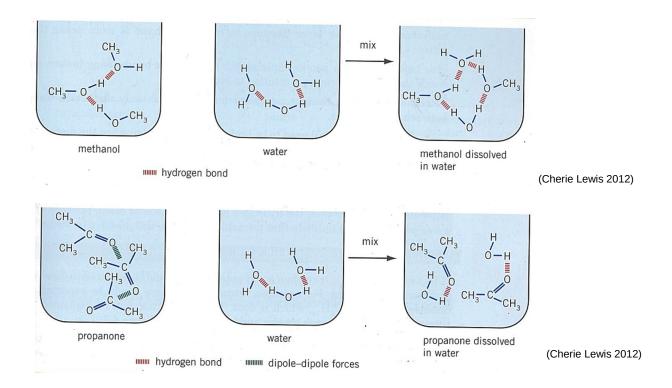
A solute is soluble in a solvent if the strength of the interactions between the solute and solvent molecules is strong enough to overcome the solvent-solvent interactions and the solute-solute interactions i.e. the energy produced from the formation of the solvent-solute interactions must be greater than the energy required to overcome the solute-solute and solvent-solvent interactions.

(The solute-solvent intermolecular forces are of similar strength to the solute-solute intermolecular forces and the solvent-solvent intermolecular forces.)

Water is often referred to as the universal solvent because of the large range of substances (solutes) that are soluble in water.

The reasons for the solubility of various substances in water are:

 Polar substances – depending on the nature of the polar substance, its solubility in water may be due to favourable hydrogen bonding interactions between the water and polar substance (e.g. methanol in water) or dipole-dipole interactions between the water and polar substance (e.g. propanone in water).



Not all polar substances are soluble in water. For example, when looking at the solubility of primary alcohols, it can be seen that as the carbon chain gets longer, the solubility of the alcohol in water becomes less. This is due to the dispersion forces becoming more and more significant which then interferes with the hydrogen bonding set up between the water and alcohol.

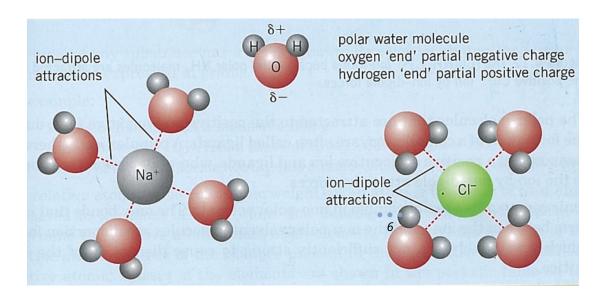
Formula	Name	Solubility in Water (g/100g)
СН₃ОН	methanol	infinitely soluble
CH ₃ CH ₂ OH	ethanol	infinitely soluble
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₂ OH	propanol	infinitely soluble
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₃ OH	butanol	9
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₄ OH	pentanol	2.7
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₅ OH	hexanol	0.6
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₆ OH	heptanol	0.18
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₇ OH	octanol	0.054
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₉ OH	decanol	insoluble in water

(Rochelle Schwartz-Bloom n.d.)

It must be mentioned, however, that in terms of melting and boiling points, increasing dispersion forces add to the total strength of the intermolecular forces and increase melting and boiling points.

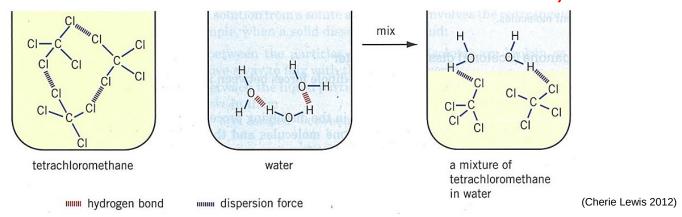
Substance:	methanol CH₃OH	pentanol CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ OH
Solubility (in water):	more	less
Boiling point:	lower	higher

lonic substances – many ionic substances are soluble in water due to electrostatic forces
of attraction set up between the ions and water molecules called ion-dipole forces. In
this type of force positive ions are attracted to the negative end of the water dipole and
negative ions are attracted to the positive end of the water dipole.



(Cherie Lewis 2012)

 Non-polar substances – non-polar substances tend not to be soluble in water as the strength of the interactions between the solute and solvent molecules is not strong enough to overcome the solvent-solvent interactions and the solute-solute interactions (the energy produced in forming solvent-solute interactions is not strong enough to overcome the solute-solute interactions and solvent-solvent interactions).



In general, as the temperature increases, the solubility of solids and liquids increases in water but the solubility of gases tends to decrease.

Solutions and Concentration

A solution is defined as a homogeneous mixture where the solute is dissolved uniformly throughout the solvent. Dissolved solutes that produce ions are often called electrolytes.

A solution can be unsaturated, saturated or supersaturated.

- Unsaturated a solution in which more solute can still be dissolved under the same conditions of temperature and pressure.
- Saturated a solution in which no more solute can be dissolved under the same conditions of temperature and pressure.
- Supersaturated a solution that contains more solute than a saturated solution could normally hold under the existing conditions of temperature and pressure. For example, if a saturated solution of sugar is heated more sugar will dissolve and may stay dissolved on returning to room temperature. Many supersaturated solutions are unstable and the presence of dust or the addition of a small quantity of solid solute can cause the excess solute to crystallize ("bomb") out from the solution.

Concentration

The quantity of solute dissolved in a quantity of solvent is called the concentration.

Concentration can be calculated in a number of ways, three of which are shown on the next page.

Unless otherwise stated, it is assumed the volume of a solution is not changed by adding a solute.

Moles per litre (mol L⁻¹) –

This is the number of moles of solute per litre of solution. It is calculated using the formula

Examples – calculate the concentration of:

- **1.** a solution produced by dissolving 356 mol of sodium chloride in water to produce a 2.45 L solution. **145** mol L⁻¹
- 2. a solution produced by dissolving 5.984×10³ g of CaSO₃ solid in water to produce a 8.974×10⁴ L solution. 5.550 x 10⁻⁴ mol L⁻¹
- **3.** each ion present in a solution made by dissolving 2.03×10² g of Na₃PO₄ in water to produce a 182 mL solution.

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C_{(Na+)} = 20.4 \text{ mol } L^{-1}

C_{(PO43-)} = 6.80 \text{ mol } L^{-1}
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- **4.** What mass of rubidium hydrogensulfate is needed to make up 500.0 mL solution with a concentration of 1.569 mol L⁻¹? **143.2** g
- Grams per litre (g L-1) -

This is the mass of solute (in grams) per litre of solution. It is calculated using the formula:

concentration (g L⁻¹) =
$$\frac{\text{mass of solute }(g)}{\text{volume of solution }(L)}$$
 or c (g L⁻¹) = $\frac{m}{V}$

Examples – calculate the concentration of:

- a 98.3 L solution produced by dissolving 52 g of sodium chloride in water.
 0.53 g L⁻¹
- **2.** a solution produced by dissolving 6.08×10^3 mol of Pb(MnO₄)₂ solid in 9.68×10^2 L of water. 2.80×10^3 g L⁻¹
- Parts per million (ppm) -

This is the mass of solute in milligrams per kilogram of solution. It is calculated using the formula

concentration (ppm) =
$$\frac{\text{mass of solute (mg)}}{\text{mass of solution (kg)}}$$
 or c (ppm) = $\frac{m_{\text{solute in mg}}}{m_{\text{solution in kg}}}$

Examples – calculate the concentration of:

- **1.** a solution produced by dissolving 5.89×10¹ g of CrN to make a solution with a mass of 6.47×10⁴g. 9.10x 10² ppm
- **2.** a solution produced by dissolving 2.198×10² mol of iron (III) nitrite solid in 9.843×10⁸ mL of water (assume water has a density of 1.000 g mL⁻¹).

$$m_{\text{Fe(NO2)3}} = 4.261 \text{ x } 10^7 \text{ mg}$$
 $m_{\text{H2O}} = 9.843 \text{x} 10^5 \text{ kg}$ $c = 4.329 \text{ x} 10^1 \text{ ppm}$

Precipitation Reactions

The solubility table can be used to determine whether or not an ionic compound will be soluble. If it is soluble, the process of it dissolving so the ions separate is called dissociation.

E.g. Dissociation equations

$$NaCI_{(s)} \rightarrow Na^{+}_{(aq)} + CI^{-}_{(aq)}$$

 $Cr_{2}(SO_{4})_{3(s)} \rightarrow 2Cr^{3+}_{(aq)} + 3SO_{4}^{2-}_{(aq)}$

In the case of a molecular compound dissolving in water to produce ions, it is called ionisation.

E.g. Ionisation equations

$$HNO_{3(l)} \rightarrow H^+_{(aq)} + NO_3^-_{(aq)}$$

 $HCN_{(s)} + H_2O_{(l)} \leftrightharpoons H_3O^+_{(aq)} + CN^-_{(aq)}$ (note the use of the \leftrightharpoons arrow indicates that this ionisation only takes place to a limited extent)

If two solutions containing soluble solutes are mixed together and produce a solid, this is called a precipitation reaction. For example, suppose a sodium chloride solution is added to a silver nitrate solution. The reaction could be written as:

$$NaCI_{(aq)} + AgNO_{3(aq)} \rightarrow AgCI_{(s)} + NaNO_{3(aq)}$$

the solubility table is used to determine the states of each substance in the reaction and as such if a precipitate is formed.

Observations for this reaction:

Two colourless solutions are added together to produce a white solid (note that **no compounds are named**, only generic descriptions).

OBSERVATIONS

When asked to write observations for chemical reactions the following apply:

- The colours of solutions are determined by the ions they contain. The colours of these
 ions in solution are given on the data sheet. Unless otherwise indicated, assume solid
 forms of the ions have the same colour as the ion in solution.
- If a solution has no colour, it is said to be colourless. Solids that formed from ions that have no colour will be white.
- Some ions have different colours depending upon the compound in which they are found. For example, CuSO₄ solution is blue and so is CuSO₄ solid, but CuCO₃ solid is green and CuO solid is black.
- Common gases and their colours and odours include: H₂ (colourless, odourless), CO₂ (colourless, odourless), H₂S (colourless, rotten egg odour), SO₂ (colourless, pungent), NH₃ (colourless, pungent), NO₂ (brown, pungent), C/₂ (greenish-yellow, pungent)
- No reference must be made of the identity of the substance. Generic terms such as solid, solution, gas, etc. are to be used.

Examples – write balanced equations and give observations for the following precipitation reactions (note if no precipitate is formed, write 'no observable change').

- **1.** Copper (II) nitrate solution is added to potassium sulfide solution.
- **2.** Lead (II) acetate solution is added to a solution of calcium bromide.
- **3.** Ammonium carbonate solution is added to sodium sulfate solution.
 - 1. $Cu(NO_3)_{2(aq)} + K_2S_{(aq)} \rightarrow 2KNO_{3(aq)} + CuS_{(s)}$ Blue solution is added to colourless solution. Blue solution becomes paler and black solid forms.
 - 2. $Pb(CH_3COO)_{2(aq)} + CaBr_{2(aq)} \rightarrow Ca(CH_3COO)_{2(aq)} + PbBr_{2s)}$ Two colourless solutions are added together. A white solid forms.
 - No observable change
 Two colourless solutions are added together. There is no observable change.

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When writing precipitation reactions (and other types of reactions) often some ions do not take part in the reaction. These are called **spectator ions**. If we remove the spectator ions, the chemical equation is referred to as an **ionic equation**. For example, in the previous reaction involving sodium chloride and silver nitrate solution when writing these two solutions, because they are soluble, we can write them in their dissociated form, i.e.

$$Na^{+}_{(aq)} + Cl^{-}_{(aq)} + Ag^{+}_{(aq)} + NO_{3}^{-}_{(aq)}$$

with the products (solid silver chloride and sodium nitrate solution) we can write the solution in its dissociated form but not the solid (as this is insoluble).

$$AgCI_{(s)} + Na^{+}_{(aq)} + NO_{3}^{-}_{(aq)}$$

Putting these two together, we can see that the sodium and nitrate ions appear the same on both sides of the arrow.

$$Na^{+}_{(aq)} + Cl^{-}_{(aq)} + Ag^{+}_{(aq)} + NO_{3}^{-}_{(aq)} \rightarrow AgCl_{(s)} + Na^{+}_{(aq)} + NO_{3}^{-}_{(aq)}$$

As such, they are spectators and can be crossed out:

$$Na^{+}_{(aq)} + Cl^{-}_{(aq)} + Ag^{+}_{(aq)} + NO_{3}^{-}_{(aq)} \rightarrow AgCl_{(s)} + Na^{+}_{(aq)} + NO_{3}^{-}_{(aq)}$$

Leaving behind the ionic equation which is written as:

$$Ag^{+}_{(aq)} + Cl^{-}_{(aq)} \rightarrow AgCl_{(s)}$$

Notice that both the atoms and charges must balance.

WRITING IONIC EQUATIONS:

The following substances are written as separated ions

- Soluble ionic compounds in solution
- Solutions of strong acids (i.e. HCI, HNO3, H2SO4, HBr and HI)

The following substances are written as 'normal' formulae

- Insoluble ionic substances
- Covalent molecular or network substances in solid, liquid or gaseous states or in solution
- Weak acids (e.g. CH₃COOH, H₂CO₃, H₂SO₃, H₃PO₄, H₂C₂O₄, etc)
- Metals
- Solid ionic compounds

Examples – write balanced ionic equations for the following reactions (note if no precipitate is formed or change is observed, write 'no observable change').

- 1. Strontium (II) iodide solution is added to potassium sulfate solution.
- 2. Manganese (II) chloride solution is added to a solution of barium hydroxide.
- **3.** Solid calcium carbonate is added to hydrochloric acid to produce calcium chloride solution, carbon dioxide gas and water.

1.
$$Sr^{2+}_{(aq)} + SO_4^{2-}_{(aq)} \rightarrow SrSO_{4(s)}$$

Colourless solution added to colourless solution. White solid forms.

2.
$$Mn^{2+}_{(aq)} + 2OH^{-}_{(aq)} \rightarrow Mn(OH)_{2(s)}$$

Pale pink solution is added to colourless solution. Pink solution becomes paler and pale pink solid forms.

3.
$$CaCO_{3(s)} + 2H^{+}_{(aq)} \rightarrow Ca^{2+}_{(aq)} + H_2O_{(l)} + CO_{2(g)}$$

Colourless solution is added to white solid. White solid dissolves and bubbles of a colourless odourless gas form.

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Precipitation reactions can be used to distinguish between unknown solutions. In this type of question, specific solutions must be identified and the observations of the named unknown solutions must be given.

For example, distinguish between two unlabelled solutions of sodium sulfate and sodium hydroxide.

Possible answer:

Add magnesium nitrate solution to both. The sodium hydroxide solution will produce a white precipitate (solid) whilst there will be no observable change with the sodium sulfate solution.

Note that if a question asks, "Using a chemical test distinguish between...," you must perform a chemical reaction of some sort (i.e. you cannot use simple solubility in water or the original colour of solutions to determine identities). If the question asks. "Using a test distinguish between...," then solubility in water and the original colours of solutions are fine.

Examples – Use a chemical test to distinguish between the following substances.

- **1.** Potassium hydroxide solution and potassium bromide.
- 2. Zinc bromide solution and zinc iodide solution.
- **3.** Sodium sulfide solid and sodium phosphate solid.

Below is one particular option, but there is more than one option for each.

- Add magnesium nitrate solution to both solutions. A white solid (precipitate) will form in the potassium hydroxide solution. There will be no observable change with the potassium bromide solution.
- 2. Add lead nitrate solution to both solutions. A bright yellow solid (precipitate) will form in the zinc iodide solution. A white solid will form with the zinc bromide solution.
- 3. Add water to both solids to make solutions. Then add copper nitrate solution to both the solutions. A black solid forms in the sodium sulphide solution. A blue solid forms in the sodium phosphate solution.

In general acids turn blue litmus (an indicator paper) red and taste sour. They conduct an electric current but it depends on the strength of the acid.

In general bases turn red litmus blue, taste bitter, will also conduct an electric current and can have a slippery, soapy feel.

Arrhenius theory of acids and bases was an early attempt at explaining the properties of acids and bases. He suggested:

Acids:

- contain H in their formula
- produce hydrogen ions in solution
- can be strong (i.e. fully ionise in solution e.g. $HCI_{(g)} \rightarrow H^{+}_{(aq)} + CI^{-}_{(aq)}$)
- can be weak (i.e partially ionise in solution e.g. $CH_3COOH_{(s)} \iff H^+_{(aq)} + CH_3COO^-_{(aq)}$)

Bases:

- contain OH in their formula
- produce hydroxide ions in solution
- completely dissociate in solution (e.g. NaOH_(s) → Na⁺_(aq) + OH⁻_(aq))

Problems with the theory:

- Some bases produce OH⁻ ions in solution yet do not have OH in their formula (eg NH₃; Na₂CO₃ and Na₂O).
- Restricted to aqueous solutions.
- Does not allow for the existence of hydronium ions (H₃O⁺).

Brønsted-Lowry Theory

Acids are proton (H⁺) donors.

Strong acid: $HCI_{(aq)} + H_2O_{(l)} \rightarrow H_3O^+_{(aq)} + CI^-_{(aq)}$

HCl is donating a proton and acting as an acid. The H_2O is accepting a proton and acting as a base.

Weak acid: $CH_3COOH_{(aq)} + H_2O_{(l)} \rightleftharpoons H_3O^+_{(aq)} + CH_3COO^-_{(aq)}$

 $CH_3COOH_{(aq)}$ is donating a proton and acting as an acid. The H_2O is accepting a proton and acting as a base.

Bases are proton (H⁺) acceptors.

eg ammonia: $NH_{3(aq)} + H_2O_{(l)} \rightleftharpoons NH_4^+_{(aq)} + OH^-_{(aq)}$

 $NH_{3(aq)}$ is accepting a proton and acting as a base. The H_2O is donating a proton and acting as an acid.

- The greater the tendency of the acid to donate a proton to water ie the stronger the acid is and the greater the degree of its ionisation. (Strong acids fully ionise in water.)
- Remember when writing ionic equations for acids:

Strong acids are written as separated ions

Weak acids are written as 'normal' formulae.

General acid and base reactions include:

- 1. acid + reactive metal → salt + hydrogen gas
- 2. acid + metal hydroxide (base) → salt + water
- 3. acid + metal oxide (base) → salt + water
- 4. acid + metal carbonate (base) → salt + carbon dioxide + water
- 5. acid + metal hydrogencarbonate (base) → salt + carbon dioxide + water
- 6. acid + metal sulfite → salt + sulfur dioxide + water
- 7. acid + ammonia → ammonium salt
- 8. base + ammonium salt '→ salt + ammonia + water
- 9. base + non-metal oxide → salt + water
- 10. water + group 1 metal → metal hydroxide + hydrogen gas
- **1.** Acidic solutions dissolve most metals forming a salt and hydrogen gas. Au, Ag, Pt and Cu are unaffected by dilute acids.

ACID + METAL
$$\rightarrow$$
 SALT + H_{2(q)}

(Eg: Some hydrochloric acid solution is poured onto a strip of nickel metal)

2. ACID + METAL HYDROXIDE
$$\rightarrow$$
 SALT + H₂O

(Eg: Calcium hydroxide solution is added to a solution of nitric acid)

$$2HNO_{3(aq)} + Ca(OH)_{2(aq)} \rightarrow Ca(NO_3)_{2(aq)} + 2H_2O_{(I)}$$

$$H^+_{(aq)} + OH^-_{(aq)} \rightarrow H_2O_{(I)}$$

3. ACID + METAL OXIDE
$$\rightarrow$$
 SALT + H_2O

(Eg: Some solid copper (II) oxide is added to a solution of carbonic)

4. ACID + CARBONATE \rightarrow SALT + H₂O + CO_{2(g)}

(Eg: Hydrochloric acid solution is added to nickel carbonate solid)

$$2HCI_{(aq)} + NiCO_{3(s)} \rightarrow NiCI_{2(aq)} + H_2O_{(l)} + CO_{2(g)}$$

 $2H^+_{(aq)} + NiCO_{3(s)} \rightarrow Ni^{2+}_{(aq)} + H_2O_{(l)} + CO_{2(q)}$

5. ACID + HYDROGENCARBONATE \rightarrow SALT + H_2O + $CO_{2(g)}$ (Eg: Ethanoic acid solution is added to solid zinc hydrogencarbonate)

$$2CH_{3}COOH_{(aq)} + Zn(HCO_{3})_{2(s)} \rightarrow Zn(CH_{3}COO)_{2(aq)} + 2H_{2}O_{(l)} + 2CO_{2(g)}$$

$$2CH_{3}COOH_{(aq)} + Zn(HCO_{3})_{2(s)} \rightarrow Zn^{2+}_{(aq)} + 2CH_{3}COO^{-}_{(aq)} + 2H_{2}O_{(l)} + 2CO_{2(q)}$$

6. ACID + METAL SULFITE \rightarrow SALT + H₂O + SO_{2(g)} (Eg: Hydrochloric acid solution and sodium sulphite powder are mixed)

$$2HCI_{(aq)} + Na_2SO_{3(s)} \rightarrow 2NaCI_{(aq)} + H_2O_{(l)} + SO_{2(g)}$$

 $2H^+_{(aq)} + Na_2SO_{3(s)} \rightarrow 2Na^+_{(aq)} + H_2O_{(l)} + SO_{2(q)}$

7. ACID + AMMONIA → AMMONIUM SALT (Eg: Ammonia gas is bubbled into a hydrochloric acid solution)

8. BASE + AMMONIUM SALT \rightarrow SALT + H_2O + $NH_{3(g)}$ (Eg: A potassium hydroxide solution is mixed with an ammonium chloride solution)

9. BASE + NON-METAL OXIDE → SALT + H₂O (Eg: Sulfur dioxide gas is bubbled through a potassium hydroxide solution)

$$SO_{2(g)}$$
 + $2KOH_{(aq)}$ \rightarrow $K_2SO_{3(aq)}$ + $H_2O_{(l)}$ $SO_{2(g)}$ + $2OH^-_{(aq)}$ \rightarrow $SO_3^{2-}_{(aq)}$ + $H_2O_{(l)}$

10. WATER + GROUP 1 METAL \rightarrow METAL HYDROXIDE + H_2 $2H_2O_{(l)} + 2Na_{(s)} \rightarrow 2NaOH_{(aq)} + H_{2(g)}$ $2H_2O_{(l)} + 2Na_{(s)} \rightarrow 2Na^+ OH_{(aq)} + H_{2(q)}$

Indicators and the pH Scale

An indicator is a solution that changes colour depending on the pH of the solution it is added to. Universal indicator is a mixture of indicators that changes colour over the pH scale from 1-14.

pH Range	Description	Colour
<3	strong acid	red
3-6	weak acid	orange/yellow
7	neutral	green
8-11	weak base	blue
>11	strong base	violet/purple

Universal indicator can be used to help determine whether a solution is acidic, basic or neutral.

- The pH scale is dependent on the concentration of hydrogen ions in solution.
- It is calculated using the formula pH = $-\log_{10}[H^+]$ (or $[H_3O^+]$)
- The greater the concentration of hydrogen ions, the more acidic the solution (the lower the pH).
- The lower the concentration of hydrogen ions, the more basic the solution (the higher the pH).

For every pH unit that is increased, the concentration of hydrogen ions present decreases by a factor of 10. For example, a solution of pH 1 has a hydrogen ion concentration of 1.00×10⁻¹ mol L⁻¹ but a solution of pH 2 has a hydrogen ion concentration of 1.00×10⁻² mol L⁻¹.

A very small amount of water undergoes ionisation to produce hydrogen ions and hydroxide ions according to the equation:

$$H_2O_{(l)} \leftrightharpoons H^+_{(aq)} + OH^-_{(aq)}$$
 (Arrhenius) $2H_2O_{(l)} \leftrightharpoons H_3O^+_{(aq)} + OH^-_{(aq)}$ (Bronsted-Lowry)

For every water molecule that ionises, an equal number of hydrogen ions and hydroxide ions are produced. These neutralise each other which means water is always neutral. It usually has a pH of 7 but even if the pH is above or below 7, at different temperatures, it is still neutral.

$$[H_3O^+] = [OH^-] = neutral$$

 $[H_3O^+] > [OH^-] = acidic$
 $[H_3O^+] < [OH^-] = basic$

Stoichiometry and Solutions

Using the formula $\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{cV}$, calculations involving chemical reactions with solutions can be performed.

For example: Calculate the mass of tin (IV) hydroxide produced when 3.45×10⁻¹ L of 1.982×10¹ mol L⁻¹ tin (IV) nitrate reacts with excess sodium hydroxide solution.

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\begin{split} n_{Sn(NO_3)4} &= \text{cV} = (1.982 \text{ x } 10)(3.45 \text{ x} 10^{\text{-}1}) = 6.8379 \text{mol} \\ & Sn(NO_3)_{4(aq)} \ + \ 4\text{NaOH}_{(aq)} \ \rightarrow \ 4\text{NaNO}_{3(aq)} \ + \ Sn(OH)_{4(s)} \\ \text{OR} & Sn^{4+}_{(aq)} \ + \ 4\text{OH}_{(aq)}^{\text{-}} \ \rightarrow \ Sn(OH)_{4(s)} \\ & n_{Sn(OH)4} = n_{Sn(NO_3)4} = 6.8379 \text{ mol} \\ & m_{Sn(OH)4} = nM \ = (6.8379)(186.732) = 1.28 \text{ x } 10^3 \text{ g} \end{split}
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Using **all the formulae** we have learnt throughout the year, it is now possible to perform stoichiometric calculations for chemical equations using solids, liquids, gases and solutions.

For example; calculate the volume of carbon dioxide gas produced at STP when 896 mL of 6.09×10⁻² mol L⁻¹ nitric acid reacts with 3.44 g of solid calcium carbonate.

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\begin{array}{lll} 2HNO_3 + CaCO_3 & \rightarrow & Ca(NO_3)_2 & + & H_2O + CO_2 \\ \\ n_{HNO3} & = & cV & n_{CaCO3} = m/M \\ & = & (6.09 \times 10^{-2}) \ (896 \times 10^{-3}) & = & 3.44/\ 100.09 \\ & = & 0.054566\ mol & = & 0.034369\ mol \\ \\ 0.054566\ /\ 2 & 0.034369\ /\ 1 \\ & = & 0.0272832 & = & 0.034369 \end{array}
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HNO₃ is limiting reagent as there is less of it on a mole to mole basis.

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n_{CO2} = n_{HNO3} \times \frac{1}{2}
= (0.054566) (\frac{1}{2})
= 0.0272832 mol

V_{CO2} = n \times 22.71
= (0.0272832) (22.71)
= 0.61960
= 0.620 L
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