Week 8 Worksheet: Chapter 10 Acids and Bases

I. Identifying acid/base theories. For each molecule or ion in the table, identify whether it can act as an acid or a base and put a checkmark under each theory or theories that describe it.

Molecule/Ion	Acid or Base	Arrhenius	Bronsted-Lowry	Lewis
Br ⁻	base			X
CN ⁻	base			X
H ₂ CO ₃	acid	X	X	
NH_3	base			X
HNO ₂	acid	X	X	
Ba(OH) ₂	base	X		
HC1	acid	X	X	
AlCl ₃	acid			X
Cl	base			X
KOH	base	X		
IO ₃	base			X
CH₃COOH	acid	X		
HNO ₂	acid	X		

II. Conjugate Acids and Bases. In each reaction, identify the acid, base, conjugate acid, and conjugate base. Then, write which acid/base theory or theories describe the reaction.

$$(a) \begin{array}{l} NH_3 + H_2O \\ \text{base} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l} NH_4^{} + OH^{} \\ \text{conj. Acid} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l} \text{conj. base} \end{array}$$

Theory: Bronsted

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{(b) NH}_4{}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{O} \\ \text{acid} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{NH}_3 + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ \\ \text{conj.base} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{conj acid} \end{array}$$

Theory: Bronsted

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{(c) } 2NaOH + H_2SO_4 \underline{\hspace{0.5cm}} 2H_2O + Na_2SO_4 \\ \text{base} \\ \text{acid} \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} 2H_2O + Na_2SO_4 \\ \text{conj. Acid, base} \end{array}$$

Theory: Bronsted, Arrhenius

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(f) Draw Lewis structures depicting the reaction

$$AlCl_3 + Cl^ AlCl_4$$

and identify the acid/base theory that best describes the reaction.

Lewis acid/base theory

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(g) Draw Lewis structures depicting the reaction

$$BBr_3 + NH_3 \quad Br_3B-NH_3$$

and identify the acid/base theory that best describes the reaction.

Lewis acid/base theory

III. Acid/Base Strength

(a) What property do all strong acids and strong bases have in common? Write a reaction for HCl and water to illustrate your explanation.

They dissociate completely in water
$$HCl_H^+ + Cl_H^-$$

(b) Circle the stronger acid in each pair:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
\mathbf{NH_4}^+ & \text{NH}_3 \\
\text{H}_2\text{O} & \mathbf{H_3O}^+ \\
\text{HXO} & \mathbf{HXO_3} \text{ (X is an unknown element)}
\end{array}$$

(c) Circle the weaker base in each pair:

NH ₄	NH_3
Cl	F
NaOH	NH ₄ OH
NaOH	NaHCO ₃

IV. Ternary Acids/Bases

Explain the order of increasing or decreasing acid strength and conjugate base strength for the following groups:

- (a) H₂SO₃, H₂SO₄ The more oxygens there are in an oxyacid, the more e⁻ density is pulled from
- $\label{eq:hno2} \text{(b) } HNO_2, HNO_3 \qquad \qquad \text{the protons, making them more likely to leave the molecule.}$