

Worksheet 5. Aqueous Equilibrium Problems; Simple Equilibria

1. Identify the acid/base and their conjugate base/acid, and which definition you use to determine(Bronsted, Arrhenius or Lewis):

- a. $\text{HCO}_3^- + \text{H}^+ \leftrightarrow \text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$
Base conj acid: Bronsted
- b. $\text{HCO}_3^- \leftrightarrow \text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{H}^+$
Acid conj base : Arrhenius
- c. $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \leftrightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3^+ + \text{OH}^-$
Base acid conj acid conj base : Lewis
- d. $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{OH} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \leftrightarrow \text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}^- + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+$
Acid base conj base conj acid : Lewis, Arrhenius, Bronsted
- e. $\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \leftrightarrow \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ + \text{OH}^-$
Acid base conj acid conj base

2. Assuming $K_w = 1 \times 10^{-14}$, calculate the molarity of OH^- in solutions at 25°C when the H^+ concentration is:

- a. 0.2M
 $\text{At } 25^\circ\text{C}, K_w = [\text{OH}^-][\text{H}^+] = 1 \times 10^{-14}$
 $[\text{OH}^-] = 1 \times 10^{-14} / .2 = 5 \times 10^{-14}$
- b. $5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ M}$
 $[\text{OH}^-] = 1 \times 10^{-14} / 5 \times 10^{-10} = 2 \times 10^{-5}$
- c. 100 M
 $[\text{OH}^-] = 1 \times 10^{-14} / 100 = 1 \times 10^{-16}$

3. For each of these **strong** acid/base solutions, calculate the molarity of OH^- , H^+ , pH and pOH

- a. 0.01M NaOH

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{OH}^-] &= 0.01 \\ \text{pOH} &= 2 \\ [\text{H}^+] &= 1 \times 10^{-14} / .01 = 1 \times 10^{-12} \\ \text{pH} &= 12 \end{aligned}$$

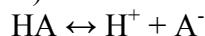
- b. 5M HNO_3

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{H}^+] &= 5 \text{ M} \\ [\text{OH}^-] &= e^{-14} / 5 = 2 \times 10^{-15} \\ \text{pOH} &= 14.7 \\ \text{pH} &= -.7 \end{aligned}$$

- c. 0.007M Ba(OH)_2

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{OH}^-] &= .014 \text{ M} \\ [\text{H}^+] &= 1 \times 10^{-14} / .014 = 7.14 \times 10^{-13} \\ \text{pOH} &= 1.85 \\ \text{pH} &= 12.15 \end{aligned}$$

4. Fill in the blank (all concentrations are at equilibrium):



Acid	[HA]	[H ⁺]	[A ⁻]	K _a
Chlorous acid HClO ₂	0.6	.077	.077	1.0 x10 ⁻²
Nitrous acid	18.6	.20	4	4.3 x10 ⁻⁴
Hydrocyanic acid HCN	28	7 x10 ⁻⁵	2 x10 ⁻⁴	4.9 x10 ⁻¹⁰
Phosphoric acid H ₃ PO ₄	0.076	0.3	.00192	7.6 x10 ⁻³

5. The pH of a 0.115M solution of chloroacetic acid, ClCH₂COOH, is measured to be 1.92. Calculate K_a for this monoprotic acid.

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

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 10^{-\text{pH}} = 10^{-1.92} = 0.012 \text{ M}$$

	HA	+	H ₂ O	→	H ₃ O ⁺	+	A
Initial	0.115 M		0 M		0 M		
Change	-0.012 M		+0.012 M		+0.012 M		
Equilibrium	0.103 M		0.012 M		0.012 M		
K _a	=	[H ₃ O ⁺][A ⁻]/[HA] =	(0.012)(0.012)/0.103 =	1.4 x 10 ⁻³			

6. Calculate the concentrations of all the species and the pH in 0.10 M hypochlorous acid, HOCl. For HOCl, K_a = 3.5 x 10⁻⁸.

	HOCl	+	H ₂ O	↔	H ₃ O ⁺	+	OCl ⁻
Initial	0.10 M		0 M		0 M		
Change	-x M		+x M		+x M		
Equil	(0.10 - x) M		x M		x M		

$$\text{K}_a = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OCl}^-]/[\text{HOCl}] = (x)(x)/(0.10-x) = 3.5 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$x^2/0.10 \approx 3.5 \times 10^{-8} \quad x^2 \approx 3.5 \times 10^{-9} \quad x \approx 5.9 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = x \text{ M} = 5.9 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{OCl}^-] = x \text{ M} = 5.9 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{HOCl}] = (0.10 - x) \text{ M} = (0.10 - 0.000059) \text{ M} = 0.10 \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 1 \times 10^{-14}/[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 1 \times 10^{-14}/5.9 \times 10^{-5} = 1.7 \times 10^{-10} \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log(5.9 \times 10^{-5}) = 4.23$$

7. One liter of saturated barium sulfate solution contains 0.0025 grams of dissolved BaSO₄.

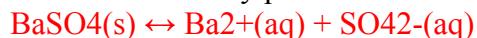
(a) What is the molar solubility of BaSO₄?



$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ba}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]$$

$$0.0025 \text{ g BaSO}_4 / 1.0 \text{ L} \times 1 \text{ mol BaSO}_4 / 233 \text{ g BaSO}_4 = 1.1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol BaSO}_4 / \text{L (dissolved)}$$

(b) Calculate the solubility product constant for BaSO₄.



$$1.1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol/L} \quad 1.1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M} \quad 1.1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ba}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}] = (1.1 \times 10^{-5})(1.1 \times 10^{-5}) = 1.2 \times 10^{-10}$$

8. Calculate the molar solubility, silver and chloride ion concentrations, and solubility in grams per liter for saturated AgCl ($K_{\text{sp}} = 1.8 \times 10^{-10}$).



$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ag}^+][\text{Cl}^-] = (x)(x) = x^2 = 1.8 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$x = \text{molar solubility} = 1.3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol/L}$$

$$[\text{Ag}^+] = [\text{Cl}^-] = 1.3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol/L}$$

$$1.3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol AgCl/L} \times 143 \text{ g AgCl/mol AgCl} = 1.9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g AgCl/L}$$