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CONCEPT: ARRHENIUS ACIDS AND BASES

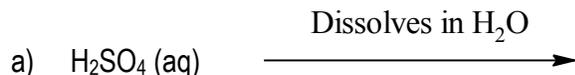
The most general definition for acids and bases was developed by Svante Arrhenius near the end of the 19th century.

- According to him, the _____ cation and the _____ anion are fundamental to the concept of acids and bases.
- His definition however failed to describe acidic and basic behavior in nonaqueous media.

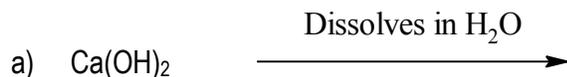
The Arrhenius definition states an acid is a compound that increases _____ when dissolved in a solvent.

The Arrhenius definition states a base is a compound that increases _____ when dissolved in a solvent.

EXAMPLE 1: Which ions are formed from the dissociation of the following compound?



EXAMPLE 2: Which ions are formed from the dissociation of the following compound?



CONCEPT: BRONSTED-LOWRY ACIDS AND BASES

In 1923, Johannes Brønsted and Thomas Lowry developed a new set of definitions for acids and bases.

According to the Bronsted-Lowry definition, acids are considered _____ and bases are considered _____.

- Unlike Arrhenius acids and bases, they are not limited to aqueous solutions.
- Every Arrhenius acid is a Brønsted-Lowry acid (and likewise for the bases).
- Brønsted-Lowry acids and bases always occur in pairs called _____.

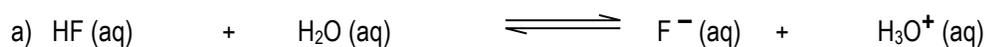
EXAMPLE 1: Write the formula of the conjugate base for each of the following compounds:



EXAMPLE 2: Write the formula of the conjugate acid for each of the following compounds:



EXAMPLE 3: Identify the acid, base, conjugate acid and conjugate base in the following reactions:



CONCEPT: LEWIS ACIDS AND BASES

In the 1920s, Gilbert Lewis proposed a new set of definitions for acids and bases.

A Lewis acid is a(n) _____.

- _____ charged hydrogen or metals.
- If your central element has _____ 8 valence electrons.

A Lewis base is a(n) _____.

- Compounds with _____.



- Compounds with a _____.

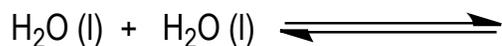


EXAMPLE: Identify the Lewis acid and base in the following reaction.

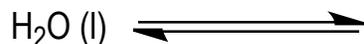


CONCEPT: AUTO-IONIZATION

Water can react with itself in a reaction called **self-ionization** where _____ and _____ are produced.



This reaction is usually written more simply as:



The equilibrium constant for water is called the _____ (K_w) for water and is given by the following:

$$K_w = [\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-]$$

At 25°C, $K_w =$ _____, but remember K_w , like all other equilibrium constants K , is temperature dependent.

EXAMPLE 1: At 0°C, the K_w for a neutral solution is recorded as 1.2×10^{-15} . Based on what you've reviewed, what can be said in terms of K_w and the solution?

- a) The reaction is exothermic.
- b) The reaction is endothermic.
- c) The reaction is thermoneutral.
- d) Not enough information is given.

EXAMPLE 2: Determine the concentration of hydronium ions for pure water at 50°C. K_w is 5.3×10^{-14} .

CONCEPT: K_a AND K_b OF COMPOUNDS

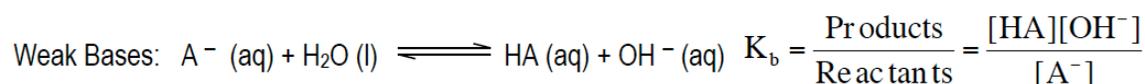
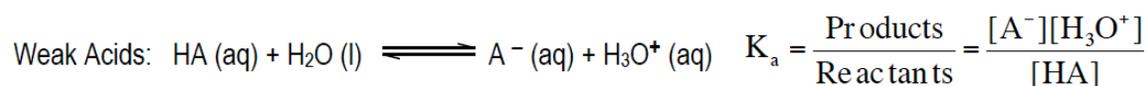
Associated with any weak acid or weak base is a K_a or K_b value respectively.

- K_a represents the _____ dissociation constant and it measures the strength of weak acids.
- K_b represents the _____ dissociation constant and it measures the strength of weak bases.

In general, the _____ the K_a the _____ the pK_a then the stronger the acid and _____ the concentration of H^+ .

- Weak acids possess K_a values _____ 1, while weak bases possess K_b values _____ 1.

The equilibrium expressions of K_a and K_b are the same as other equilibrium constants you've seen.



K_a and K_b are connected by the following equation:

$$K_w = K_a \cdot K_b$$

Recall that at 25 °C, K_w the ion-product constant of water equals _____.

EXAMPLE: Consider two aqueous solutions of equal concentration. Which statement is true?

chlorous acid ($HClO_2$, $K_a = 1.1 \times 10^{-2}$) and phenol (HC_6H_5O , $K_a = 1.3 \times 10^{-10}$)

- $HClO_2$ produces more $[H_3O^+]$ than HC_6H_5O
- $HClO_2$ is basic compared with HC_6H_5O
- $HClO_2$ produces less $[H_3O^+]$ than HC_6H_5O
- $HClO_2$ is a strong acid
- ClO_2^- produces more $[OH^-]$ than $C_6H_5O^-$

PRACTICE: K_a AND K_b OF COMPOUNDS CALCULATIONS 1

EXAMPLE 1: Which of the following compounds has the strongest conjugate acid?

- a) $C_2H_5NH_2$ ($K_b = 5.6 \times 10^{-4}$)
- b) H_2NNH_2 ($K_b = 1.3 \times 10^{-6}$)
- c) NH_3 ($K_b = 1.75 \times 10^{-5}$)
- d) $HONH_2$ ($K_b = 1.1 \times 10^{-8}$)

EXAMPLE 2: At 0 °C, the ion product constant of water is 1.2×10^{-15} . The pH of pure water at this temperature is:

- a) 6.88
- b) 7.00
- c) 7.46
- d) 7.56

PRACTICE: A^- is a weak base. Which equilibrium corresponds to the equilibrium constant K_a for HA?

- a) $A^-(aq) + OH^-(aq) \rightleftharpoons HOA^{2-}(aq)$
- b) $HA(aq) + H_2O(l) \rightleftharpoons H_2A^+(aq) + OH^-(aq)$
- c) $HA(aq) + H_2O(l) \rightleftharpoons H_3O^+(aq) + A^-(aq)$
- d) $A^-(aq) + H_2O(l) \rightleftharpoons HA(aq) + OH^-(aq)$
- e) $A^-(aq) + H_3O^+(l) \rightleftharpoons HA(aq) + H_2O(l)$

PRACTICE: WEAK ACID-BASE EQUILIBRIA CALCULATIONS 1

EXAMPLE 1: What is the original molarity of a solution of weak acid with a K_a of 4.7×10^{-3} and pH of 4.12 at 25 °C?

EXAMPLE 2: You are seeking to identify an unknown monoprotic acid by determining its K_a value. A 6.05×10^{-2} M solution of this unknown monoprotic acid has a pH of 2.122. Determine the K_a of this unknown acid?

- a) 4.47×10^{-4}
- b) 9.42×10^{-4}
- c) 2.85×10^{-2}
- d) 1.08×10^{-3}
- e) 3.58×10^{-1}

PRACTICE: WEAK ACID-BASE EQUILIBRIA CALCULATIONS 2

EXAMPLE: A weak acid has a pKa of 5.35. What is the hydronium ion concentration in a 0.10 M solution of this weak acid?

- a) 5.4×10^{-4} M
- b) 6.3×10^{-6} M
- c) 3.5×10^{-5} M
- d) 2.3×10^{-6} M
- e) 4.5×10^{-6} M
- f) 6.7×10^{-4} M

PRACTICE: The pH of an aqueous 0.10 M nitrite ion is 8.17. What is the base dissociation constant of the base?

- a) 4.6×10^{-16}
- b) 2.2×10^{-11}
- c) 1.6×10^{-6}
- d) 1.6×10^{-5}
- e) 1.2×10^{-3}

CONCEPT: IONIC SALTS

When an acid neutralizes a base an ionic compound called a _____ is formed. These solutions can be neutral, acidic or basic, depending on the acid-base properties of the cations and anions formed.

Cations (+)

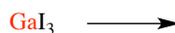
□ Transition Metals

___ or higher charge will be acidic, less than ___ will be neutral



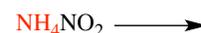
□ Main Group Metals

___ or higher charge will be acidic, less than ___ will be neutral



□ Positive Amines

Positively charged amines are acidic



Anions (-)

□ Add an H^+ to the anion and if you create a weak acid then your negative ion is basic.



□ Add an H^+ to the anion and if you create a strong acid then your negative ion is neutral.



Amphoteric

□ Acidic

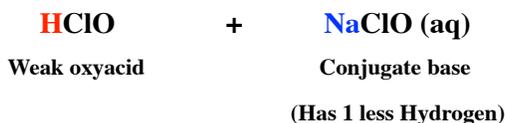


□ Basic



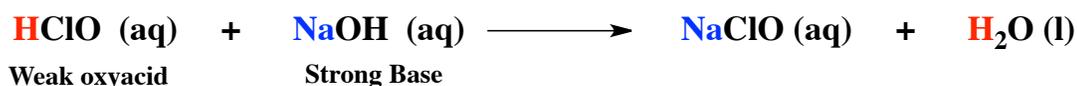
CONCEPT: BUFFERS

A buffer is a solution composed of a weak acid with its conjugate base.



- A buffer works to keep both _____ and _____ constant.

If a **strong base** then the buffer resists a pH change by having the **weak acid** neutralize it.



If a **strong acid** then the buffer resists a pH change by having the **conjugate base** neutralize it.



The weak acid and conjugate base can be different from one another by up to a magnitude of 10.

- This is called the _____. If they are different by more than 10 then it will not be a buffer.



The more concentrated the weak acid and conjugate base then the better the buffer can counteract strong acid or strong base added.



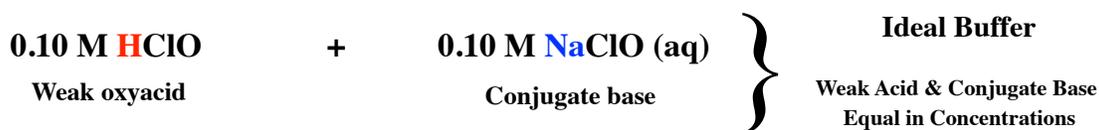
CONCEPT: BUFFER SYNTHESIS

To calculate the pH of a buffer then we use the Henderson Hasselbalch Equation:

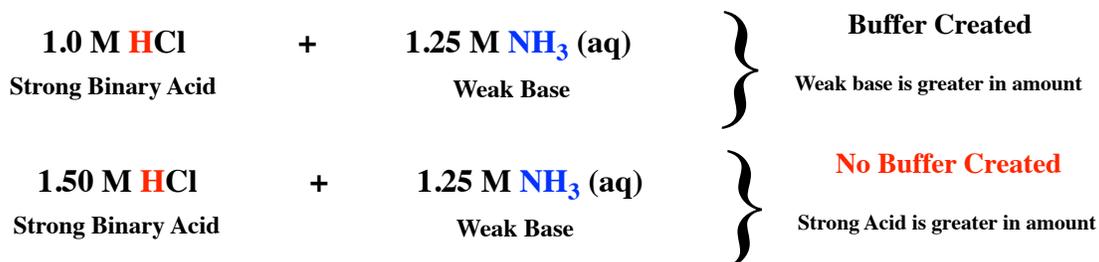
$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_a + \log \frac{\text{conjugate base}}{\text{weak acid}}$$

There are 3 ways to form a buffer:

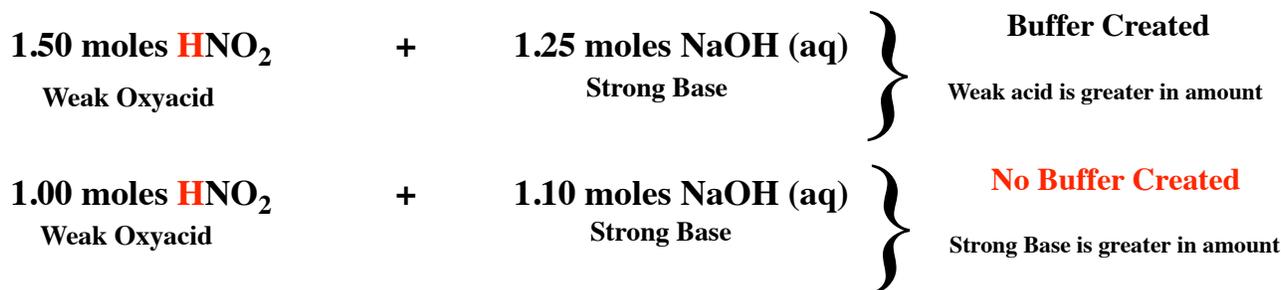
- Mixing a _____ acid and a _____ base.
 - In this case, a buffer is most ideal when both components are highly concentrated and equal to one another.



- Mixing a _____ acid and a _____ base.
 - In this case since we have a strong species mixing with a weak species then we must make sure the weak species is higher in amount.



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PRACTICE: BUFFER SYNTHESIS CALCULATIONS 1

EXAMPLE 1: Which of the following combinations can result in the formation of a buffer?

- a) 75 mL of 0.10 M HClO_3 with 50 mL of 0.10 M CH_3NH_2 .
- b) 25 mL of 0.10 M H_2SO_3 with 40.0 mL of 0.10 M NaOH .
- c) 50 mL of 0.10 M NH_4Cl with 50 mL of 0.05 M $\text{Sr}(\text{OH})_2$.
- d) 50 mL of 0.20 M HF with 40 mL of 0.20 M NaOH .

EXAMPLE 2: Calculate the pH of a solution formed by mixing 130.0 mL of a 0.300 M $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{NH}_2$ solution with 70.0 mL of a 0.500 M $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{NH}_3^+$ solution. (K_b of $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{NH}_2$ is 5.0×10^{-4}).

PRACTICE: Which of the following molar ratios is the correct equilibrium ratio of BASE : ACID for a solution made of aniline ($K_b = 3.8 \times 10^{-10}$) and anilinium nitrate where the pH is 4.80?

- a) 1:2
- b) 3:5
- c) 7:2
- d) 2:1
- e) 5:3

PRACTICE: BUFFER SYNTHESIS CALCULATIONS 2

EXAMPLE 1: You are asked to go into the lab and prepare a buffer solution with a pH of 6.40 ± 0.2 . Which weak acid would be the best choice?

- a) carbonic acid $K_a = 4.2 \times 10^{-7}$
- b) phenol $K_a = 1.3 \times 10^{-10}$
- c) ascorbic acid $K_a = 8.0 \times 10^{-5}$
- d) hydrosulfuric acid $K_a = 9.5 \times 10^{-8}$
- e) potassium hydrogen phthalate $K_a = 3.1 \times 10^{-6}$

EXAMPLE 2: Calculate the pH of a solution made by mixing 8.627 g of sodium butanoate in enough 0.452 M butanoic acid, $\text{HC}_4\text{H}_7\text{O}_2$, to make 250.0 mL of solution. The K_a of butanoic acid is 1.5×10^{-5} .

- a) 4.75
- b) 4.82
- c) 5.00
- d) 2.58
- e) 4.65