

Acids and bases. Ch 19.1 Acid base theory

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	Acids	Bases
<u>examples</u> HCl & H_2SO_4 <u>Sour tasting</u> (lemon)	<u>bitter tasting</u> <u>feels slippery</u>	
<u>Properties</u> - aqueous solutions of acids conduct electricity, some are strong electrolytes (like those in car batteries) some are weak electrolytes. (<u>weak acids</u>)	<u>Electrolytes</u> aqueous solutions of bases conduct electricity - Will change the color of various <u>indicators</u> example litmus will change from blue to red in an acid acids react with <u>metals</u> produce <u>hydrogen gas</u> ! $\text{HCl}_{(\text{aq})} + \text{Mg}_{(\text{s})} \rightarrow \text{MgCl}_{2(\text{aq})} + \text{H}_{2(\text{g})}$ (single replacement reaction) - neutralize bases, react with compounds containing <u>hydroxide ions</u> to produce <u>salts</u> (ionic compound) $\text{HCl}_{(\text{aq})} + \text{NaOH}_{(\text{aq})} \rightarrow \text{NaCl}_{(\text{aq})} + \text{H}_2\text{O}_{(\text{l})}$ <u>acid</u> <u>base</u> <u>salt</u> <u>water</u> - can be <u>corrosive</u>	<u>Electrolytes</u> aqueous solutions of bases conduct electricity - will change color of various <u>indicators</u> example: litmus will change from red to blue - will neutralize acids, reacts with compounds containing <u>hydroxide ions</u> to produce <u>salt</u> (ionic compound) - can be <u>corrosive</u>

Theory- Arrhenius

Swedish chemist Svante Arrhenius (1859-1927) proposed a way of explaining the behavior of acids and bases

Acids

- Hydrogen containing compounds that ionize to yield hydrogen ions in aqueous solution.
- The formula of an acid will be H_n or an organic acid ex. HCl
- Acids can be monoprotic, $\text{HCl}(\text{aq})$, or polyprotic like the diprotic $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4(\text{aq})$ or the triprotic $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4(\text{aq})$
- Example of a Arrhenius acid HCl or HNO_3 Ex. $\text{HCl}_{(\text{aq})} \rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{Cl}^-$

Bases

- Compounds that ionize to yield hydroxide ions.
- The formula will be a ionic hydroxide that easily dissociates like sodium hydroxide
- Example LiOH

Arrhenius definition of an acid and base isn't a very comprehensive one. It does not include certain substances that have acidic and basic properties such as sodium carbonate (Na_2CO_3) and ammonia (NH_3).

Problems with Arrhenius theory

1. H^+ prob. not in solution.
(attracted to polar water molecule to make H_3O^+)
2. ionic salts should produce neutral solutions.
4. NH_3 is a base! (Arrhenius definition) could not explain this
3. Water is imp. in acidic & basic properties.

Bronsted-Lowry Acids and Bases

Danish chemist Johannes Bronsted (1879-1947) and English chemist Thomas Lowry proposed a new definition.

Acids: H^+ donors

Base: H^+ acceptor

$\text{NH}_3(\text{aq})$	+	$\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$	\leftrightarrow	$\text{NH}_4^+(\text{aq})$	+	$\text{OH}^-(\text{aq})$
Ammonia		Water		Ammonium ion		Hydroxide ion

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Conjugate Acids and Bases

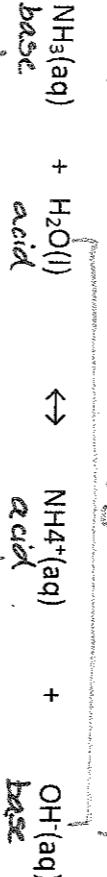
Conjugate acid

is the particle formed when a base gains a hydrogen ion.

Conjugate acid-base pair

consist of substances related by the loss or gain of a single hydrogen ion.

Examples



(ACID)

Conjugate acid

base



(ACID)

Conjugate acid

base

Amphoteric/Amphiprotic – is a substance that behaves as an acid in some reactions and a base in others.

Examples



acting as a base.



acting as an acid.

HSO_3^- is amphiprotic, as are hydrogen carbonate and hydrogen sulfate. What do they have in common?

HCO_3^- HSO_4^- both can give or take a H^+ .

Another amphoteric Example:



– acting as a base.



– acting as an acid.

A water molecule that gains a hydrogen ion becomes a positively charged hydronium

In chemistry we might refer to H^+ in solution but what we actually are referring to Hydronium Ion (H_3O^+)

Questions

Identify the following acids as monoprotic, diprotic, or triprotic.

a. H_2CO_3

b. H_3PO_4

c. HCl

d. H_2SO_4

Identify each reactant in the following equations as a hydrogen-ion donor(acid) or hydrogen ion acceptor(base). Label the conjugate acid-base pairs.

