

# Acids and Bases

Properties

# Good website to visit for project

- <http://www.chemheritage.org/explore/explore.html>
- <http://www.chemheritage.org/classroom/chemach/forerunners/boyle.html>

# Acids and Bases

- Are very important in many aspects of daily life.
- Most manufacturing processes
- Your body needs them to function properly
- Many foods contain acid
- Many cleaning products are bases
- Cooking

# Acids

- taste sour
- Electrolytes (conduct electricity in solution)
- Cause indicators to change color
- React with many metals to produce Hydrogen gas  
( $\text{HCl} + \text{Zn} \longrightarrow \text{ZnCl}_2 + \text{H}_2$ )
- React with compounds containing OH to form a salt and water  
 $\text{HCl} + \text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2 \longrightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{CaCl}_2$
- An acid is a compound that produces hydrogen ions  $\text{H}^+$  when dissolved in water
- $\text{PH} < 7$

- Have general formula HX

### **EXAMPLES:**

- **HF-Hydrofluoric**
- **HBr- Hydrobromic**
- **H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> - Sulfuric acid**
- **HNO<sub>3</sub>- Nitric Acid**

# Bases

- react with acids to form a salt and water
- Taste bitter
- Feel slippery
- Electrolytes
- Change color of indicators
- A base is a compound that produces  $\text{OH}^-$  ions (hydroxide ions) in water.
- Something basic is also called alkaline
- $\text{pH} > 7$

# Bases

- General formula-  $XOH$
- Examples:  $NaOH$  –Sodium Hydroxide  
 $Mg(OH)_2$ - Magnesium hydroxide

# Strong vs. Weak

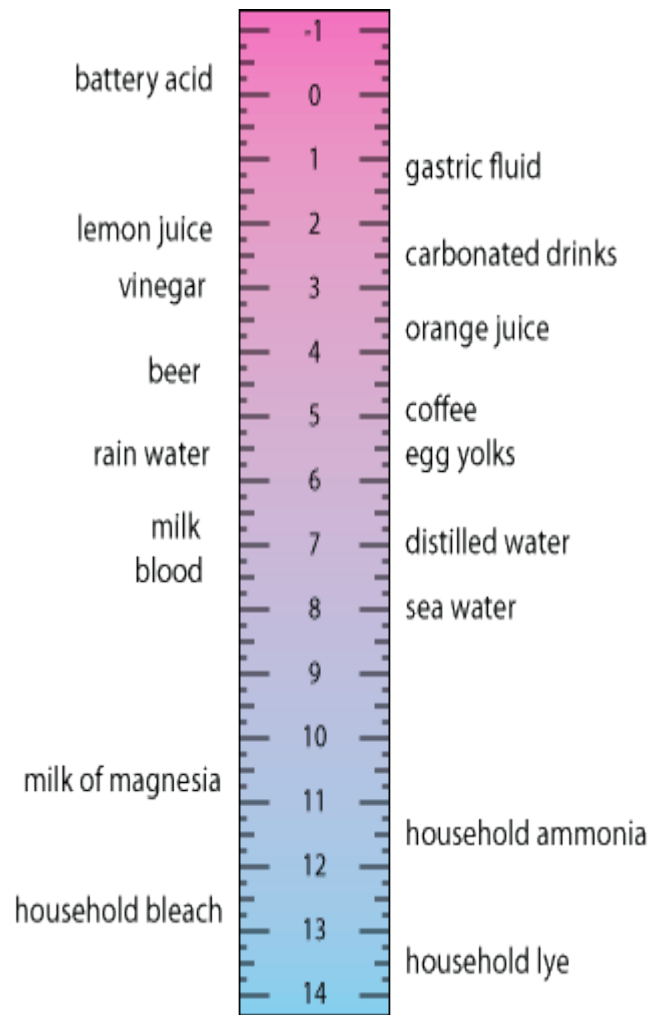
- Acids and bases are classified as strong or weak depending on the degree to which they ionize in water. (Break up into ions)
- Strong acids and bases completely ionize or break up into ions. These are strong electrolytes.
- Weak acids and bases ionize slightly or don't dissolve completely. These are weak electrolytes.

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# pH

- a way to express the  $H^+$  concentration instead of molarity
- $[H^+]$  – this says  $H^+$  concentration
- pH scale range 0-14

• 0	7	14
Most acidic	neutral	most basic



- Pure water is a neutral solution
- In pure water the concentration of hydrogen and hydroxide are equal so it is a neutral solution.
- Water ionizes slightly to form hydroxide ions and hydrogen ions (sometimes written as  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  which is called the hydronium ion)
- $\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{OH}^-$  or  
 $2 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ + \text{OH}^-$

# pH

- pH is the measure of the  $\text{H}^+$  concentration or  $[\text{H}^+]$
- We can also measure the pOH of  $\text{OH}^-$  concentration  $[\text{OH}^-]$
- Water which is considered neutral, neither acidic or basic, has a pH of 7.
- The concentration of  $\text{H}^+$  or  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  = concentration of  $\text{OH}^-$   
$$[\text{H}^+] = [\text{OH}^-]$$
- This concentration is  $1.0 \times 10^{-7}\text{M}$

- When you add an acid to water the hydrogen ion concentration becomes greater than the hydroxide ion concentration so it is an acidic solution.
- When a base is added the hydroxide ion concentration is greater than the hydrogen ion concentration so the solution becomes basic or alkaline.

- [http://phet.colorado.edu/simulations/sims.php?sim=pH\\_Scale](http://phet.colorado.edu/simulations/sims.php?sim=pH_Scale)

# pH

- $\text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}^+]$
- $\text{pH} < 7$  acid more Hydrogen ions than hydroxide ions  
 $[\text{H}^+] > [\text{OH}^-]$
- $\text{pH} > 7$  base more hydroxide ions than hydrogen ions  
 $[\text{H}^+] < [\text{OH}^-]$
- $\text{pH} = 7$  is a neutral solution

hydrogen ions = hydroxide ions

$$[\text{H}^+] = [\text{OH}^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ M}$$

# What are the pH values for the following?

- $[H^+] = 1.0 \times 10^{-11} \text{ M}$

$$-\log[1.0 \times 10^{-11}] = \text{pH } 11$$

$$[H^+] = 1.0 \times 10^{-8} \text{ M}$$

$$-\log[1.0 \times 10^{-8}] = \text{pH } 8$$

$$[H^+] = 0.000001 \text{ M}$$

$$-\log[0.000001] = \text{pH } 6$$

# pOH

- $\text{pOH} = -\log[\text{OH}^-]$

# Determine the pH or pOH

- $[H^+] = 1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mole /L}$
- $[H^+] = 0.001 \text{ M}$
- $[OH^-] = 1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol/L}$
- $[OH^-] = 1 \times 10^{-11} \text{ mol/L}$

Calculate the pH for the following hydrogen ion concentrations.

- $[H^+] = 5.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$

$$-\log[5.0 \times 10^{-5}] = \text{pH } 4.3$$

$$[H^+] = 7.3 \times 10^{-11} \text{ M}$$

$$-\log[7.3 \times 10^{-11}] = \text{pH } 10.1$$

$$[H^+] = 2.8 \times 10^{-6} \text{ M}$$

$$-\log[2.5 \times 10^{-11}] = \text{pH } 10$$

Are the above solutions acids or bases?

# Calculate the pOH

- $[\text{OH}^-] = 2.5 \times 10^{-11} \text{ M}$

$$-\log[2.5 \times 10^{-11}] = \text{pOH } 10.6$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 6.4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ M}$$

$$-\log[6.4 \times 10^{-8}] = \text{pOH } 7.2$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 8.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$$

$$-\log[8.8 \times 10^{-5}] = \text{pOH } 4.1$$

# pH to pOH and pOH to pH

- $\text{pH} + \text{pOH} = 14$

# What is the pH

- If  $pOH = 10.6$

$$14 - 10.6 = 3.4 \text{ is the pH}$$

If  $pOH = 7.2$

$$14 - 7.2 = 6.8 \text{ is the pH}$$

If  $pOH = 4.1$

$$14 - 4.1 = 9.9 \text{ is the pH}$$

# Finding concentration from pH

- $[H^+] = 10^{-pH}$

What is the  $[H^+]$  concentration if pH =

pH=2.60                       $[H^+] = 10^{-2.60} = .0025 \text{ M}$

pH=4.5                         $[H^+] = 10^{-4.5} = .000032 \text{ M}$

pH=11.2                       $[H^+] = 10^{-11.2} = 6.3 \times 10^{-12} \text{ M}$

# Finding concentration from pOH

- $[\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-\text{pOH}}$
- **What is the  $[\text{OH}^-]$  if, what is the  $[\text{OH}^-]$**

$$\text{pOH} = 2.6$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-2.6} = .0025 \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pOH} = 4.5$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-4.5} = .00003 \text{ M}$$

- What is the hydrogen ion concentration for solutions with the following pH values?
  - a. 4.0
  - b. 11.0
  - c. 8.0
  - d. 3.2
- What is the hydroxide ion concentration for the above solutions.

# How do we measure pH

- Acid base indicators
- pH meters

# Indicators

- acid base indicator- an acid or base that undergoes dissociation in a known pH range- color changes
- a substance that changes color at certain pH.
- different indicators are used to test for pH and change color in different pH's.

- pH meters- measures electronically

# Neutralization Process

- The reaction of an acid + base yields water and a salt
- Salts-compounds consisting of an anion from an acid and cation from a base

Just because you add an acid to a base does not mean the solution is neutral.

Why?

- All neutralization reactions are double replacements
- Titration-The process of adding a known amount of solution of known concentration to determine the concentration of another solution.

- How many moles of HCl are required to neutralize these bases?  
Assume all the bases ionize completely.

- 0.2 mole NaOH

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- 2 mol  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$

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- 0.1 mol  $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$

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