# lonic Equilibrium

# Learning & Revision for the Day

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The equilibrium concept also extends to ionic reactions. There it is known as **ionic** equilibrium and applied as equilibrium between dissociated and undissociated form of an ionic reaction of weak acid, weak base, hydrolysis reaction etc.

# Weak and Strong Electrolytes

- 1. Weak electrolytes dissociate partially in the solutions and such solutions are poor conductor of electricity. e.g. CH<sub>3</sub>COOH, H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>BO<sub>3</sub>, NH<sub>4</sub>OH, HCN etc.
- 2. Strong electrolytes dissociate completely into their ions in solution and such solutions are very good conductor of electricity. e.g. HCl, H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, NaOH, KOH, NaCl, KCl etc.

# Ionisation of Electrolytes

Separation of an electrolyte into their ions either on fusion or dissolution is called ionisation or dissociation.

$$\operatorname{NaCl}(aq) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Na}^+(aq) + \operatorname{Cl}^-(aq)$$

(Usually the term dissociation is used for weak electrolyte and ionisation for strong electrolyte).

The solution of weak electrolytes contain ions, which are in equilibrium with unionised molecules.

$$CH_{3}COOH \Longrightarrow CH_{3}COO^{-} + H^{+}$$
$$NH_{4}OH \Longrightarrow NH_{4}^{+} + OH^{-}$$

This equilibrium is known as ionic equilibrium and is dynamic in nature.

#### **Degree/Dissociation**

- The fraction of total number of moles undergoing ionisation is called degree of ionisation or dissociation ( $\alpha$ ). Alternately, the fraction of the amount of an electrolyte present in the solution as free ions is called degree of ionisation ( $\alpha$ ).
- $\alpha = \frac{\text{number of moles of electrolyte dissociated ionized as ions}}{\text{total number of moles of electrolyte dissolved}}$
- The extent of ionisation depends upon the strength of bond and extent of solution of ions obtained.

Various factors influencing degree of ionisation/ dissociation are as follows:

- (i) For strong electrolyte,  $\alpha = 1$  at normal dilution while for most of the polar covalent compounds, i.e. weak electrolytes,  $\alpha \ll 1$ .
- (ii) Degree of ionisation of an electrolyte increases with polarity of the solvent.
- (iii) The degree of ionisation of an electrolyte decreases with increase in concentration of the electrolyte.
- (iv) The degree of ionisation rises with raise in temperature of the solution.
- (v) The addition of species possessing a common ion to that of weak electrolyte causes a decrease in the degree of dissociation of weak electrolyte.

### Ostwald's Dilution Law

It states that degree of dissociation of weak electrolyte is inversely proportional to the square root of concentration or directly proportional to the square root of volume containing one mole of the solute.

$$\alpha \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{C}}, \ \alpha = \sqrt{\frac{K}{C}} = \sqrt{KV}$$

where,  $\alpha$  = degree of dissociation

V = volume containing 1 mole of weak electrolyte K = dissociation constant

NOTE

OIE Ostwald's dilution law is applicable only to weak electrolytes because for strong electrolytes,

$$\alpha \simeq 1$$
, i.e.  $K_a \rightarrow \infty$ 

Various applications of Ostwald's dilution law are as follows:

• To calculate the value of dissociation constant (*K*) of the weak acids and weak bases, by determining the degree of

dissociation ( $\alpha$ ) from conductance measurement  $\left(\frac{\lambda_V}{\lambda}\right)$  at

any concentration *C*.

• To calculate the degree of dissociation,  $\alpha$  of weak acids and bases by knowing the value of *K*. For weak acid, put  $[A^+] = [H^+]$  and  $K = K_a$ Similarly for weak bases,

$$[B^-] = [OH^-]$$
 and  $K = K_h$ 

• This law holds good only in case of weak electrolytes. The value of *K* can be calculated only in dilute solutions of weak electrolytes.

#### Various Concept of Acids and Bases and their Ionisation

An acid is that whose aqueous solution tastes sour, turns blue litmus red, neutralises bases and so on. On the other hand, the aqueous solution of a base tastes bitter, turns red litmus blue, neutralises acid and so on.

#### 1. Arrhenius Theory

According to Arrhenius theory, acids are substances that dissociates in water to give hydrogen ions  $H^+(aq)$  and bases are substances that produce hydroxyl ions  $OH^-(aq)$ .

Limitations of Arrhenius theory are as follows:

- (i) Free H<sup>+</sup> and OH<sup>-</sup> ions do not exist in water.
- (ii) The concept is limited to aqueous solutions only.
- (iii) It cannot explain the acidic character of certain substances which don't contain free  $H^+$  ions like,  $AlCl_3$ ,  $BF_3$  and basic character of substances which don't contain free  $OH^-$  ions.  $NH_3$ ,  $PH_3$ .

#### 2. Bronsted-Lowry Concept

According to Bronsted-Lowry concept, acids are proton donors while bases are proton acceptors. A conjugate pair of acid and a base differs by a proton.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Conjugate base} \\ \text{HCl+} & \text{H}_2\text{O} \longrightarrow \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ + \text{Cl}^- \\ \\ \text{Acid} & \text{Base} \\ & \text{Conjugate acid} \end{array}$$

The substances which behave both as an acid and a base are called **amphiprotic**. e.g.  $H_2O$ ,  $HSO_3^-$ ,  $HS^-$  etc.

Conjugate base of weak acid is strong or vice-versa.

- NOTE
   The strength of acid depends upon the nature of solvent. e.g. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, HClO<sub>4</sub>, HNO<sub>3</sub> and HCl, all have same strength in water due to levelling effect of water.
  - $\circ$  In acetic acid solvent, the order of their acidic strength is HClO\_4 > H\_2SO\_4 > HCl> HNO\_3.

#### Limitations of Bronsted-Lowry concept are as follows:

- (i) The protonic definition cannot be used to explain the reactions occurring in the non-protonic solvents such as  $COCl_2, SO_2, N_2O_4$  etc.
- (ii) This concept cannot explain the reactions between some acidic oxides (such as  $CO_2$ ,  $SO_2$ ,  $SO_3$ ) and basic oxides (such as CaO, BaO, MgO) which take place even in the absence of the solvent, e.g. CaO + SO<sub>3</sub>  $\longrightarrow$  CaSO<sub>4</sub>
- (iii) BF<sub>3</sub>, AlCl<sub>3</sub> etc., do not have any hydrogen and hence, cannot give a proton but are known to behave as acids.

#### 3. Lewis Concept

According to Lewis concept acids are the substances which accept a pair of electrons to form a coordinate bond and bases are the substances which donate a pair of electrons to form coordinate bond.

Following species can act as Lewis acids are

- (i) Molecules in which central atom has incomplete octet e.g. BF<sub>3</sub>, AlCl<sub>3</sub>, FeCl<sub>3</sub> etc.
- (ii) Molecules in which the central atom is either non-metal cation or metal cation with empty *d*-orbital.
  (*d*-block elements)
  e.g. SiX<sub>4</sub>, GeX<sub>4</sub>, PX<sub>3</sub>, TiCl<sub>4</sub>, H<sup>+</sup>, Ag<sup>+</sup>etc.

Lewis bases should satisfy following conditions are

- (a) Octet should be complete and central atom should be more electronegative.
- (b) Lone pair/pairs should be present, e.g.  $\dot{NH}_3$ ,  $H_2O$ , R-OH, R-OR etc.
- (c) Negatively charged species, e.g. CN<sup>-</sup>, OH<sup>-</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup> etc.

Limitations of Lewis concept are as follows:

- (i) The strength of Lewis acids and bases is found to depend on the type of reaction, it is not possible to arrange them in any order of their relative strength.
- (ii) It does not explain the behaviour of protonic acids which do not form coordinate bond such as  $HNO_3$ , HCl,  $H_2SO_4$  etc.
- (iii) Catalytic activity of Lewis acid cannot be explained because the catalytic activity of many acids is due to their tendency to furnish H<sup>+</sup>. Lewis acid does not do so.

#### Relative Strength of Mono Acidic Bases

Relative strength of mono acidic bases (or mono basic acids) of equimolar concentrations can be given as



where,  $K_a$  and  $K_b$  are the dissociation constants of acid and base respectively.

#### **Ionisation of Water**

• Pure water is a weak electrolyte and is ionised according to following equation.

 $H_2O(l) + H_2O(l) \Longrightarrow H_3O^+(aq) + OH^-(aq)$ At 25°C, for pure water  $[H_3O^+] = [OH^-] = 10^{-7} \text{ mol/L}$  $K_w = [H_3O^+][OH^-] = 10^{-14}$  Here,  $K_w$  is called the **ionic product** of water and is defined as the product of molar concentration of H<sup>+</sup> ions and OH<sup>-</sup> ions

$$K = \frac{K_W}{55.55}$$

where, K = ionisation constant

- Value of  $K_w$  depends upon temperature as it is equilibrium constant. If temperature increases, value of  $K_w$  also increases.
- For dissociation of weak acids in water, *K*<sub>a</sub> is called **acid ionisation constant**.

 $CH_3COOH + H_2O \longrightarrow CH_3COO^- + H_3O^+$ ;

$$K_a = \frac{[CH_3COO^-]}{(CH_3COOH)} \frac{[H_3O^+]}{(CH_3COOH)}$$

• Similarly, for a weak base, *K*<sub>b</sub> is called base ionisation constant.

$$NH_4OH \longrightarrow NH_4^+ + OH^-; K_b = \frac{[NH_4^+][OH^-]}{(NH_4OH)}$$

#### Relation between $K_a$ and $K_b$

• Relation between acid dissociation (*K<sub>a</sub>*) and base dissociation (*K<sub>b</sub>*) constants is

$$K_a \times K_b = K_w$$

where,  $pK_a = -\log K_a$ ,  $pK_b = -\log K_b$  and  $pK_w = -\log K_w$ 

- Many acids are capable of furnishing more than one protons in water. Such acids are called **polybasic** or **polyprotic** acids, e.g. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> etc.
- The first ionisation constant  $(K_{a_1})$  is always greater than the second ionisation constant  $(K_{a_1})$ .

#### **pH** Scale

It is used to express and compare the acidic and basic strength of a solution. pH is defined as the negative logarithm of  $H_3O^+$  ion concentration (in moles per litre) present in it.

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

Thus,  $pH = -\log [H_3O^+]$ 

Similarly,

pH + pOH = 14

Relation between  $pK_a$  and  $pK_b$  is given as:

$$pK_a + pK_b = 14 = pK_w$$

pH scale range is 0 to 14 and it depends upon the value of  $K_w$ . As temperature increases, value of pH decreases at 25°C.

Following observations are seen with solutions:

- (i) pH of very dilute  $(\sim 10^{-8} \text{ M or lower})$  acids or bases is nearly 7 but not 7 (i.e. not simply – log [acid or base]) due to ionisation of water.
- (ii) pH of strong acids with concentration > 1 M is never negative, it is zero only.
- <u>NOTE</u> Greater the value of  $K_a$  or  $K_b$  smaller is the value of  $pK_a$  and  $pK_b$  and stronger is acid or base.

#### pH of Mixtures of Acid and Bases

The rules for determining the pH of mixtures of acids and bases are as follows:

- (i) If strong acid or strong base remains unused, calculate the concentration or molarity of H<sup>+</sup> ions and OH<sup>-</sup> ions left in the solution and then calculate the pH or pOH accordingly.
- (ii) If weak acid or weak base is left behind or remains unused, a buffer (acidic or basic) is formed. Calculate the concentration of salt formed (millimoles of salt formed/volume of solution) and the concentration of weak acid or weak base left behind. Use the buffer equation to calculate the pH of the solution.
- (iii) If acids or bases are completely neutralised, then salt is formed. Calculate the concentration of the salt formed and use the hydrolysis equation to calculate the pH of the solution.
- NOTE pH value of a solution decreases on heating because ionisation of water is an endothermic process. pH of boiling water is 6.5625, although it is neutral.
  - When pH decreases by one unit, H<sup>+</sup> ion concentration increases by a factor of 10. Similarly, when pH decreases by two units, H<sup>+</sup> ion concentration increases by a factor of 100.

# Hydrolysis of Salts and pH of their Solutions

- The process of salt hydrolysis is actually the reverse process of neutralisation. The reaction of an anion or cation of the salt with water accompanied to produce acidic and basic solution is called **salt hydrolysis**. Salt hydrolysis affects the pH of the solution.
- Salts of strong acids and strong bases (i.e. neutral salts) do not undergo hydrolysis are called **neutral salt**, e.g. NaCl, CaSO<sub>4</sub> etc. If such salt is dissolved in water, pH of the solution remains 7.
- Salt of a strong acid and weak base, e.g.  $NH_4Cl$  are called acidic salts. Such salts undergo cationic hydrolysis. pH of acidic salt solution will be less than 7. For such salts,  $[H_3O^+] = \sqrt{K_h \times C}$

$$K_h = \frac{K_w}{K_b}$$
 or  $pH = 7 - \frac{1}{2} [pK_b + \log C]$  at 25°C

where,  $K_h = hydrolysis$  constant

 $K_b$  = ionisation constant for weak base C = molar concentration of salt.

• Salt of strong base and weak acid, e.g. NaNO<sub>2</sub>, NaCN, CH<sub>3</sub>COONa are termed as basic salts. Such salts undergo anionic hydrolysis. pH of basic salt solution will be more than 7.

For basic salts, 
$$[OH^-] = \sqrt{K_h \times C}$$
 or  $K_h = \frac{K_w}{K_a}$   
 $pH = 7 + \frac{1}{2} [pK_a + \log C]$  at 25°C

• The salts other than halides, sulphates, nitrates of metals fall into salts of weak acid and base category, e.g. CH<sub>3</sub>COONH<sub>4</sub> etc.

For such salts, 
$$K_h = \frac{K_w}{K_a \times K_b}$$
,  $pH = 7 + \frac{1}{2} [pK_a - pK_b]$ 

**NOTE** There is no effect of dilution on the hydrolysis of salts of weak acid and weak base because pH and  $K_h$  are all independent of concentration, *C*.

#### Solubility of Sparingly Soluble Salts

Lattice enthalpy and solvation enthalpy play an important role in deviding the solubility of the salts in particular solvent. For a salt to be able to dissolve in a particular solvent, the solvation enthalpy must be higher than its lattice enthalpy.

# Solubility Product

It is defined as the product of molar concentration of its ions in a saturated solution, each concentration terms raised to the power equal to the number of ions produced on dissociation of one molecule of electrolyte.

$$A_{x}B_{y} \rightleftharpoons xA^{+} + yB^{-}$$

$$\therefore \qquad K_{sp} = [A^{+}]^{x} [B^{-}]^{y}$$
e.g.
$$A_{2}X_{3} \longrightarrow 2A^{3+} + 3X^{2-}$$

$$S^{sp} = [A^{3+}]^{2}[X^{2-}]^{3}$$

$$K_{sp} = (2S)^{2}(3S)^{3}$$

$$\therefore \qquad K_{sp} = 108S^{5}$$

$$BaSO_{4}(s) \xleftarrow{\text{Saturated solution}}_{\text{in water}} Ba^{2+} (aq) + SO_{4}^{-}(aq)$$

$$K_{sp} = [S] [S]$$

$$K_{sp} = S^{2}$$

where, S = molar solubility,  $K_{sp} = \text{solubility product}$ 

NOTE If the ionic product exceeds the value of the solubility product of a sparingly soluble salt then precipitation will occur.

#### Common Ion Effect

• It states that if to the solution of a weak electrolyte, a solution of strong electrolyte is added which furnishes an ion common to that furnished by the weak electrolyte, the ionisation of the weak electrolyte is suppressed.

e.g.  $NH_4OH \Longrightarrow NH_4^+ + OH^-$ 

- If NH<sub>4</sub>Cl or NaOH is added to NH<sub>4</sub>OH solution, the above equilibrium will shift to the left due to high concentration of common ion and therefore, the ionisation of NH<sub>4</sub>OH is further suppressed.
- In  $II^{nd}$  group of qualitative analysis,  $H_2S$  is passed in the presence of HCl. This is due to the fact that HCl suppresses the ionisation of weakly dissociated  $H_2S$ . Due to this only

sulphides of II group radicals are precipitated. Sulphides of III, IV etc., groups are not precipitated because of their high solubility product.

• The common ion effect is also used for almost complete precipitation of a particular ion as its sparingly soluble salt, with very low value of solubility product for gravimetric estimation.

### **Buffer Solution**

The solution, which maintains its pH constant or reserve acidic or basic nature even upon addition of small amounts of acid or base is called **buffer solution**. The ability of buffer solution to resist changes in pH on addition of acid or base is called **buffer action**.

- A buffer solution should exhibit following characteristics: (i) Buffer solutions possess a definite pH value.
  - (ii) Their pH value remains constant on keeping long or dilution.
- (iii) The pH value is not changed on the addition of a strong acid in acidic buffer and a strong base in basic buffer.

Two types of buffer are as follows:

(a) A buffer solution pH of which is less than 7 is called acidic buffer. Weak acid with its salt of strong base gives acidic buffer.

e.g. CH<sub>3</sub>COOH + CH<sub>3</sub>COONa; HCN + NaCN

(b) A buffer solution having pH more than 7 is called basic buffer. Weak base with its salt of strong acid gives basic buffer.
e.g. NH<sub>4</sub>OH + NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>NH<sub>2</sub> + C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>NH<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>Cl<sup>-</sup>

#### Henderson's Equation for Buffer Solution

For acidic buffer;  $pH = pK_a + \log \frac{[salt]}{[acid]}$ 

For basic buffer;  $pOH = pK_b + log \frac{[salt]}{[base]}$ 

# **Buffer Capacity**

Buffer capacity is quantitatively defined as the number of moles of acid or base added to 1 L in of buffer solution to change the pH by unity.

 $Buffer \ capacity = \frac{number \ of \ moles \ of \ acid}{change \ in \ pH}$ 

Buffer capacity is maximum when

- (a) [salt] = [acid],  $pH = pK_a$  for acidic buffer
- (b)  $[salt] = [base], pH = pK_b$  for basic buffer

Greater the buffer capacity, larger is its capacity to resist the change in pH value.

( DAY PRACTICE SESSION 1 ) FOUNDATION QUESTIONS EXERCISE

- **1** Of the given anions, the strongest Bronsted base is (a)  $CIO^-$  (b)  $CIO_3^-$  (c)  $CIO_2^-$  (d)  $CIO_4^-$
- **2** Four species are listed below:

I. HCO<sup>3-</sup> II. H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> III. HSO<sup>-</sup><sub>4</sub> IV. HSO<sub>3</sub>F

Which one of the following is the correct sequence of their acidic strength?

(a) IV <ii<iii<i< th=""><th>(b) II<iii<i<iv< th=""></iii<i<iv<></th></ii<iii<i<>	(b) II <iii<i<iv< th=""></iii<i<iv<>
(c)  <   <   < V	(d)    < < V<

**3** Three reactions involving  $H_2PO_4^-$  are given below:

**4** The  $pK_w$  of a neutral solution at 50°C is 13.36, what would be the pH of the solution at this temperature? (a) 7.63 (b) 7.00 (c) 6.68 (d) 7.96

- **5** The ionic product of water at 310 K is  $2.7 \times 10^{-14}$ . What is the pH of neutral water at this temperature?
- (a) 7.0 (b) 5.98 (c) 6.78 (d) 4.58
- **7** The pH of the neutralisation point of 0.1 N ammonium hydroxide with 0.1 N HCl is
  - (a) 8 (b) 6 (c) 7 (d) 9
- 8 NaOH is a strong base. What will be pH of 5.0 × 10<sup>-2</sup>M NaOH solution ? (log 2 = 0.3) → JEE Main (Online) 2013 (a) 14.00 (b) 13.70 (c) 13.00 (d) 12.70
- 9 What is the pH of a 10<sup>-4</sup>M OH<sup>-</sup> solution at 330 K, if K<sub>w</sub> at 330 K is 10<sup>-13.6</sup>? → JEE Main (Online) 2013 (a) 4 (b) 9.0 (c) 10 (d) 9.6
- 10 How many litres of water must be added to 1 L of an aqueous solution of HCl with a pH of 1 to create an aqueous solution with pH of 2? → JEE Main (Online) 2013
  (a) 0.1 L
  (b) 0.9 L
  (c) 2.0 L
  (d) 9.0 L

**11** The pH of a 0.1 molar solution of the acid HQ is 3. The value of the ionisation constant,  $K_a$  of the acid is

> → AIEEE 2012 (c)  $1 \times 10^{-5}$ (d)  $1 \times 10^{-7}$

**12** Values of dissociation constant,  $K_a$  are given as follows:

Acid	K <sub>a</sub>
HCN	$6.2 \times 10^{-10}$
HF	$7.2 \times 10^{-4}$
HNO <sub>2</sub>	$4.0 \times 10^{-4}$

Correct order of increasing base strength of the base CN<sup>-</sup>, F<sup>-</sup> and NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> will be → JEE Main (Online) 2013 (b)  $NO_2^- < CN^- < F^-$ (a)  $F^- < CN^- < NO_2^-$ (c)  $F^- < NO_2^- < CN^-$ (d)  $NO_2^- < F^- < CN^-$ 

**13** An acid HA ionises as  $HA \Longrightarrow H^+ + A^-$ 

(a)  $3 \times 10^{-1}$  (b)  $1 \times 10^{-3}$ 

The pH of 1.0 M solution is 5. Its dissociation constant would be → AIEEE 2011 (d)  $1 \times 10^{-5}$ (a)  $1 \times 10^{-10}$  (b) 5.0 (c) 5 × 10<sup>-8</sup>

- 14 What will be the degree of ionisation of 0.05 M acetic acid if its  $pK_a$  value is 4.74?
  - (a) 0.019% (b) 1.9% (c) 3.0% (d) 4.74%
- **15** HX is a weak acid ( $K_a = 10^{-5}$ ). It forms a salt NaX(0.1 M) on reacting with caustic soda. The degree of hydrolysis of NaX is

(a) 0.01% (b) 0.0001% (c) 0.1% (d) 0.5%

- **16**  $pK_a$  of a weak acid (HA) and  $pK_b$  of a weak base (BOH) are 3.2 and 3.4 respectively. The pH of their salt (AB) solution is → JEE Main 2017 (a) 7.2 (b) 6.9 (c) 7.0 (d) 1.0
- **17** Number of  $(OH)^{-}$  in 1 mL solution of pH = 13 is (a)  $1 \times 10^{-13}$ (b)  $6.00 \times 10^7$ (c)  $6.00 \times 10^{13}$ (d)  $6.02 \times 10^{19}$
- **18** pH of 0.005 M calcium acetate ( $pK_a$  of CH<sub>3</sub>COOH = 4.7) is (c) 9.26 (a) 7.04 (b) 9.37 (d) 8 37
- **19** The  $pK_a$  of a weak acid, HA is 4.80. The  $pK_b$  of a weak base BOH is 4.78. The pH of an aqueous solution of the corresponding salt BA will be

(a) 7.01 (b) 9.22 (c) 9.58 (d) 4.79

- **20.** The solubility of a sparingly soluble salt,  $AB_2$  in water is  $1.0 \times 10^{-5}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup>. Its solubility product will be (b)  $1 \times 10^{-15}$ (a)  $4 \times 10^{-10}$ (c)  $1 \times 10^{-10}$ (d)  $4 \times 10^{-15}$
- 21 The solubility of PbCl<sub>2</sub> is
  - (b)  $(K_{\rm sp})^{1/3}$ (a)  $\sqrt{K_{sp}}$ (c)  $(K_{\rm sp} / 4)^{1/3}$ (d) (8 K<sub>sp</sub>)<sup>1/2</sup>
- 22 A solution which is  $10^{-3}$  M each in Mn<sup>2+</sup>, Fe<sup>2+</sup>, Zn<sup>2+</sup> and  $Hg^{2+}$  is treated with  $10^{-16}$  M sulphide ion. If  $K_{sp}$  of MnS, FeS, ZnS and HgS are  $10^{-15}$ ,  $10^{-23}$ ,  $10^{-20}$  and  $10^{-54}$ respectively, which one will precipitate first?

(a) FeS	(b) MgS	(c) HgS	(d) ZnS

**23** Solubility product constant ( $K_{sp}$ ) of salts of types MX,  $MX_2$  and  $M_3X$  at temperature  $\overline{T}$  are  $4.0 \times 10^{-8}$ ,  $3.2 \times 10^{-14}$ and  $2.7 \times 10^{-15}$  respectively. Solubilities (mol dm<sup>-3</sup>) of the salts at temperature 'T' are in the order

(a) $MX > MX_2 > M_3X$	(b) $M_3 X > M X_2 > M X$
(c) $MX_2 > M_3X > MX$	(d) $MX > M_3X > MX_2$

- **24** The solubility product of BaSO<sub>4</sub> is  $1.5 \times 10^{-9}$ . The precipitation in a 0.01 M Ba<sup>2+</sup> solution will start on adding  $H_2SO_4$  of concentration. (a) 10<sup>-9</sup> M (c) 10<sup>-7</sup> M (b) 10<sup>-8</sup> M (d) 10<sup>-6</sup> M
- **25** Solid Ba(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> is gradually dissolved in a  $1.0 \times 10^{-4}$  M Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> solution. At which concentration of Ba<sup>2+</sup>, precipitate of BaCO<sub>3</sub> begins to form?  $(K_{\rm sp} \text{ for BaCO}_3 = 5.1 \times 10^{-9})$ → AIEEE 2012 (a)  $5.1 \times 10^{-5}$  M (c)  $4.1 \times 10^{-5}$  M (b) 7.1×10<sup>-5</sup> M (d) 8.1×10<sup>-2</sup> M
- 26 The molar solubility (in mol L<sup>-1</sup>) of a sparingly soluble salt  $MX_4$  is S. The corresponding solubility product is  $K_{sp}$ . S is given in terms of  $K_{sp}$  by the relation. (a)  $S = (K_{\rm sp} / 128)^{1/4}$ (b)  $S = (128 K_{\rm sp})^{1/4}$ 
  - (c)  $S = (256K_{\rm sp})^{1/5}$ (d)  $S = (K_{sp} / 256)^{1/5}$
- **27** Solubility product of silver bromide is  $5.0 \times 10^{-13}$ . The quantity of potassium bromide (molar mass taken as 120 g mol<sup>-1</sup>) to be added to 1 L of 0.05 M solution of silver nitrate to start the precipitation of AgBr is

(a)  $1.2 \times 10^{-10}$  g

(a)

→ AIEEE 2010

- (c)  $6.2 \times 10^{-5}$  g (d)  $5.0 \times 10^{-8}$  g **28** At 25°C, the solubility product of Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub> is  $1.0 \times 10^{-11}$ . At which pH, will Mg<sup>2+</sup> ions start precipitating in the form
  - of Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub> from a solution of 0.001 M Mg<sup>2+</sup> ions? → AIEEE 2010

(b)  $1.2 \times 10^{-9}$  g

(b) 10 (c) 11 (d) 8 (a) 9

- **29** The precipitate of CaF<sub>2</sub> ( $K_{sp} = 1.7 \times 10^{-10}$ ) is obtained when equal volumes of the following are mixed (a)  $10^{-4}$  M Ca<sup>2+</sup> +  $10^{-4}$  M F<sup>-</sup> (b)  $10^{-2}$  M Ca<sup>2+</sup> +  $10^{-3}$  M F<sup>-</sup> (c) Both (a) and (b) (d) None of these
- **30** The  $K_{sp}$  for Cr(OH)<sub>3</sub> is 1.6×10<sup>-30</sup>. The molar solubility of this compound in water is → AIEEE 2012

(a) 
$$\sqrt[3]{1.6 \times 10^{-30}}$$
 (b)  $\sqrt[4]{1.6 \times 10^{-30}}$  (c)  $\sqrt[4]{1.6 \times 10^{-30} / 27}$  (d)  $1.6 \times 10^{-30} / 27$ 

**31** Which one of the following arrangements represents the correct order of solubilities of sparingly soluble salts Hg<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, Cr<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, BaSO<sub>4</sub> and CrCl<sub>3</sub> respectively?

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(a) 
$$\left(\frac{K_{sp}}{108}\right)^{1/5}, \left(\frac{K_{sp}}{27}\right)^{1/4}, (K_{sp})^{1/2}, \left(\frac{K_{sp}}{4}\right)^{1/3}$$
  
(b)  $(K_{sp})^{1/2}, \left(\frac{K_{sp}}{4}\right)^{1/3}, \left(\frac{K_{sp}}{27}\right)^{1/4}, \left(\frac{K_{sp}}{108}\right)^{1/5}$ 

(c) 
$$(K_{sp})^{1/2}, \left(\frac{K_{sp}}{108}\right)^{1/5}, \left(\frac{K_{sp}}{27}\right)^{1/4}, \left(\frac{K_{sp}}{4}\right)^{1/3}$$
  
(d)  $\left(\frac{K_{sp}}{4}\right)^{1/3}, \left(\frac{K_{sp}}{108}\right)^{1/5}, (K_{sp})^{1/2}, \left(\frac{K_{sp}}{27}\right)^{1/4}$ 

- **32** The solubility of AgBrO<sub>3</sub> in an aqueous solution of NaBrO<sub>3</sub> (as compared to that in water) is
  - (a) the same
  - (b) more
  - (c) less
  - (d)unpredictable due to a new chemical reaction
- **33** The solubility of AgI in Nal solution is less than that in pure water because
  - (a) Agl forms complex with Nal
  - (b) of common ion effect
  - (c) solubility product of Agl is less
  - (d) the temperature of the solution decreases
- **34** How do we differentiate between  $Fe^{3+}$  and  $Cr^{3+}$  in group III?
  - (a) By taking excess of NH₄OH
    - (b) By increasing  $NH_4^+$  ion concentration
    - (c) By decreasing OH<sup>-</sup> ion concentration
    - (d) Both (b) and (c)
- **35** 0.1 mole of  $CH_3NH_2$  ( $K_b = 5 \times 10^{-4}$ ) is mixed with 0.08 mole of HCl and diluted to one litre. What will be the H<sup>+</sup> concentration in the solution?

(a) 8 × 10 <sup>-2</sup> M	(b) $8 \times 10^{-11}$ M
(c) 1.6 × 10 <sup>-11</sup> M	(d) 8 × 10 <sup>-5</sup> M

**36** Which of the following will produce a buffer solution when mixed in equal volumes?

(a) 0.1 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> NH<sub>4</sub>OH and 0.1mol dm<sup>-3</sup> HCl

(b) 0.05 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> NH<sub>4</sub>OH and 0.1 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> HCl

- (c) 0.1 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> NH<sub>4</sub>OH and 0.05 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> HCl
- (d) 0.1 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> CH<sub>4</sub>COONa and 0.1 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> NaOH
- **37** What would be the pH of a solution obtained by mixing 5g of acetic acid and 7.5 g of sodium acetate and making the volume equal to 500 mL?

 $(K_a = 1.75 \times 10^{-5}, pK_a = 4.76)$   $\rightarrow$  JEE Main (Online) 2013

- (a) pH = 4.70
- (b) pH < 4.70
- (c) pH of solution will be equal to pH of acetic acid
- (d) 4.76 < pH < 5.0

**38** The  $pK_a$  of a weak acid (HA) is 4.5. The pOH of an aqueous buffered solution of HA in which 50% of the acid ionised is

(a) 4.5 (b) 2.5 (c) 9.5 (d) 7.0

39 An aqueous solution of 1 M NaCl and 1 M HCl is
(a) not a buffer but pH < 7</li>
(b) not a buffer but pH > 7
(c) a buffer with pH < 7</li>
(d) a buffer with pH > 7

**Direction** (Q. Nos. 40-44) In the following questions assertion followed reason is given. Choose the correct answer out of the following choices.

- (a) Both Assertion and Reason are true and Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion.
- (b) Both Assertion and Reason are true but Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion.
- (c) Assertion is true but Reason is false.
- (d) Assertion and Reason both are wrong.
- **40** Assertion (A) When HCl gas passes through saturated solution of NaCl, a solid NaCl separates out from the solution.

Reason (R) HCl decreases the solubility product of NaCl.

**41** Assertion (A) The addition of Ag<sup>+</sup> ions to a mixture of an aqueous solution of NaCl and NaBr causes precipitation of AgBr, instead of AgCl.

**Reason** (R) Solubility product of AgCl is less than that of AgBr.

- 42 Assertion (A) The ionisation of hydrogen sulphide in water is low in the presence of hydrochloric acid.Reason (R) Hydrogen sulphide is a weak acid.
- **43** Assertion (A) According to the principle of common ion effect, the solubility of Hgl<sub>2</sub> is expected to be less in aqueous solution of KI than in water. But Hgl<sub>2</sub> dissolves in an aqueous solution of KI to form a clear solution.
   **Reason** (R) lodide ion (I<sup>-</sup>) is highly polarisable.
- **44** Assertion (A) A solution containing a mixture of acetic acid and sodium acetate maintains a constant value of pH on addition of small amounts of acid or alkali.

**Reason** (R) A solution containing a mixture of acetic acid and sodium acetate acts as buffer solution around pH 4.75.

# (DAY PRACTICE SESSION 2)

**PROGRESSIVE QUESTIONS EXERCISE** 

**1.** The pH values of 0.1 M solution of HCl, CH<sub>3</sub>COOH, NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and CH<sub>3</sub>COONa will have the order

(a)  $HCI < CH_3COOH < NH_4CI < CH_3COONa$ (b)  $CH_3COONa < NH_4CI < CH_3COOH < HCI$ 

- (c)  $NH_4CI < CH_3COONa < CH_3COOH < HCI$
- (d) All will have same pH value

2 Which one of the following statements is not true? (a) The conjugate base of  $H_2PO_4^-$  is  $HPO_4^{2-}$ (b) pH + pOH = 14 for all aqueous solutions (c) The pH of  $1 \times 10^{-8}$  M HCl is 8 (d)  $\alpha = \sqrt{K_v}$  for a weak electrolyte **3** What will be the value of pH of 0.01 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>

$\rm CH_3 COOH$	? ( $K_a = 1.74 \times 10$	<sup>-5</sup> ) [log 4.]	17 = 0.6201]
(a) 3.4	(b) 3.6	(c) 3.9	(d) 3.0

4 A weak acid (HA) is 4% ionised at 1 M. Per cent ionisation is 1% in the presence of A<sup>-</sup>. The concentration of A<sup>-</sup> is

(a) 0.04 M	(b) 0.16 M	(c) 0.02 M	(d) 0.10 M
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- **5** An aqueous solution contains an unknown concentration of Ba<sup>2+</sup>. When 50 mL of a 1 M solution of Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> is added, BaSO<sub>4</sub> just begins to precipitate. The final volume is 500 mL. The solubility product of BaSO<sub>4</sub> is  $1 \times 10^{-10}$ . What is the original concentration of Ba<sup>2+</sup>?  $\rightarrow$  JEE Main 2018 (a)  $5 \times 10^{-9}$  M (b)  $2 \times 10^{-9}$  M (c)  $1.1 \times 10^{-9}$  M (d)  $1.0 \times 10^{-10}$  M
- **6** Hydroxyl ion concentration  $[OH^-]$  in the case of sodium acetate can be expressed as (where,  $K_a$  is dissociation constant of CH<sub>3</sub>COOH and *C* is the concentration of sodium acetate)

(a) $[OH^{-}] = (CK_w K_a)^{1/2}$	(b) $[OH^-] = C \cdot K_w \sqrt{K_a}$
(a) $[OH^{-}] = (CK_w K_a)^{1/2}$ (c) $[OH^{-}] = \left(\frac{C \cdot K_w}{K_a}\right)^{1/2}$	(d) $[OH^-] = C \cdot K_a \cdot K_w$

**7** The silver ion in a solution is precipitated by addition of chloride ion. The final volume of solution is 500 mL. What should be the concentration of Cl<sup>-</sup> ion if not more than 0.10 mg of Ag<sup>+</sup> ion remains unprecipitated?  $(K_{en}(AgCl) = 1.0 \times 10^{-10})$ 

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(a) 5.4×10 <sup>-5</sup> M	(b) 1.9×10 <sup>-6</sup> M
(c) 5.4×10 <sup>-4</sup> M	(d) 1.9×10 <sup>-7</sup> M

- **9** 1 dm<sup>3</sup> solution containing 10<sup>-5</sup> moles each of Cl<sup>-</sup> ions and CrO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> ions is treated with 10<sup>-4</sup> moles of silver nitrate. Which one of the following observation is made?  $(K_{sp}Ag_2CrO_4 = 4 \times 10^{-12}), (K_{sp}AgCl = 1 \times 10^{-10})$

- (a) Precipitation does not occur
- (b) Silver chromate gets precipitated first
- (c) Silver chloride gets precipitated first
- (d) Both silver chromate and silver chloride start precipitating simultaneously
- **10** In a saturated solution of the sparingly soluble strong electrolyte AgIO<sub>3</sub> (molecular mass = 283), the equilibrium sets as AgIO<sub>3</sub>(s)  $\implies$  Ag<sup>+</sup>(aq) + IO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>(aq). If the solubility product constant,  $K_{sp}$  of AgIO<sub>3</sub> at a given temperature is  $1.0 \times 10^{-8}$ , what is the mass of AgIO<sub>3</sub> contained in 100 mL of its saturated solution?

(a) 28.3×10 <sup>-2</sup> g	(b) 2.83 ×10 <sup>-3</sup> g
(c) 1.0 × 10 <sup>-7</sup> g	(d) 1.0 ×10 <sup>-4</sup> g

**11** A solution of monoprotic weak acid has ionisation constant  $K_a$ . What is the minimum concentration *C* in terms of  $K_a$ , such that the concentration of the undissociated acid can be equated to *C* within a 10% limit of error. [Assume that activity coefficient correction are negligible.]

(a) 45 <i>K<sub>a</sub></i>	(b) 10 <i>K</i> a
(c) 90K <sub>a</sub>	(d) 80 <i>K</i> <sub>e</sub>

**12** What will be the pH of a buffer solution prepared by dissolving 30 g of Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> in 500 mL of an aqueous solution containing 150 mL of 1 M HCl? [ $K_a$  for HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> = 5.63×10<sup>-11</sup>]

$1011100_3 = 0.00 \times 10$	1	
10.197		(b) 8.089
9.858		(d) 6.400

(a)

(c)

**13** 2.5 mL of 2/5 M weak monoacidic base ( $K_b = 1 \times 10^{-12}$  at 25°C) is titrated with 2/15 M HCl in water at 25°C. The concentration of H<sup>+</sup> at equivalence point is ( $K_w = 1 \times 10^{-14}$  at 25°C)

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(a) 3.7 × 10 <sup>-13</sup> M	(b) 3.2 × 10 <sup>-7</sup> M
(c) 3.2 × 10 <sup>-2</sup> M	(d) 2.7 × 10 <sup>-2</sup> M

**14** 1 M NH<sub>4</sub>OH and 1M HCl are mixed to make total volume of 300 mL. If pH of the mixture is 9.26 and  $pK_a$ [NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>] = 9.26 then volume ratio of NH<sub>4</sub>OH and HCl will be (a) 1 : 1 (b) 1 : 2 (c) 2 : 1 (d) 3 : 1

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(SESSION 1)	<b>1</b> (a)	<b>2</b> (c)	<b>3</b> (a)	<b>4</b> (c)	<b>5</b> (c)	<b>6</b> (b)	<b>7</b> (b)	<b>8</b> (d)	<b>9</b> (d)	<b>10</b> (d)
	<b>11</b> (c)	<b>12</b> (c)	<b>13</b> (a)	<b>14</b> (b)	<b>15</b> (a)	<b>16</b> (b)	<b>17</b> (d)	<b>18</b> (d)	<b>19</b> (a)	<b>20</b> (d)
	<b>21</b> (c)	<b>22</b> (c)	<b>23</b> (d)	<b>24</b> (d)	<b>25</b> (a)	<b>26</b> (d)	<b>27</b> (b)	<b>28</b> (b)	<b>29</b> (b)	<b>30</b> (c)
	<b>31</b> (d)	<b>32</b> (c)	<b>33</b> (b)	<b>34</b> (d)	<b>35</b> (b)	<b>36</b> (c)	<b>37</b> (d)	<b>38</b> (c)	<b>39</b> (a)	<b>40</b> (b)
	<b>41</b> (c)	<b>42</b> (b)	<b>43</b> (b)	<b>44</b> (a)						
SESSION 2	<b>1</b> (a)	<b>2</b> (c)	<b>3</b> (a)	<b>4</b> (b)	<b>5</b> (c)	<b>6</b> (c)	<b>7</b> (a)	<b>8</b> (b)	<b>9</b> (c)	<b>10</b> (b)
	<b>11</b> (c)	<b>12</b> (a)	<b>13</b> (c)	<b>14</b> (c)						

# **Hints and Explanations**

#### **SESSION 1**

- 1 HCIO is the weakest acid, hence its conjugate base, i.e. CIO<sup>-</sup> is the strongest Bronsted base.
- 2 Acidity order is as follows:



3 Only in reaction (ii) H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>, gives H<sup>+</sup> to H<sub>2</sub>O thus, behaves as an acid. In other two reactions it accept H<sup>+</sup> and thus behaves as a base.

**4**  $pK_w = pH + pOH$ 

- $[H^+] = [OH^-] \implies H = pOH$ But  $pK_w = 2 pH$ ...  $pH = \frac{pK_w}{2} = \frac{13.36}{2} = 6.68$ **5**  $K_{\rm w} = [{\rm H}^+][{\rm O}{\rm H}^-] = 2.7 \times 10^{-14}$ But  $[H^+] = [OH^-]$ , therefore,  $K_{\rm w} = [{\rm H}^+]^2$  $[H^+] = \sqrt{K_w} = \sqrt{2.7 \times 10^{-14}}$  $= 1.643 \times 10^{-7} \text{ M}$  $pH = -log[H^+]$  $= -\log[1.643 \times 10^{-7}] = 6.78$ 6 HA  $\implies$  H<sup>+</sup> + A<sup>-</sup>  $K_a = \frac{[\mathsf{H}^+][A^-]}{[\mathsf{H}A]}$ ...(i)  $HA + NaOH \implies ANa + H_2O$  $HA + OH^{-} \Longrightarrow A^{-} + H_{2}O$ or  $K_{\rm C} = \frac{[A^-] [H_2 O]}{[HA][OH^-]}$ ...(ii) Also,  $K_w = [H^+][OH^-] = 10^{-14}$ ...(iii) From equations (i), (ii) and (iii)  $K_C = \frac{K_a}{K_c} = \frac{10^{-4}}{10^{-14}} = 1 \times 10^{10}$
- 7 NH<sub>4</sub>OH (weak base) + HCI (strong acid) forms NH<sub>4</sub>CI, which gives acidic solution with pH< 7.</p>
- **8** 5.0  $\times$  10<sup>-2</sup> M NaOH = [OH<sup>-</sup>]  $= 5 \times 10^{-2}$ M  $K_w = [H^+][OH^-] = 1 \times 10^{-14}$  $[H^+] \cdot 5 \times 10^{-2} = 1 \times 10^{-14}$  $[H^+] = \frac{1 \times 10^{-14}}{5 \times 10^{-2}}$  $= 2 \times 10^{-13}$  $pH = -\log[H^+]$  $= -\log(2 \times 10^{-13})$ = 12.69 ≈ 12.70 9 At 330 K,  $[H^+][OH^-] = K_w = 1 \times 10^{-13.6}$  $[H^+](10^{-4} \text{ M}) = 1 \times 10^{-13.6}$  $[H^+] = \frac{1 \times 10^{-13.6}}{10^{-4}} = 10^{-9.6}$  $pH = -\log [H^+]$  $= -\log(10^{-9.6}) = 9.6$ **10** pH = 1  $\therefore$  [H<sup>+</sup>] = 10<sup>-1</sup> = 0.1M pH = 2 :  $[H^+] = 10^{-2} = 0.01M$ For dilution of HCl,  $M_1V_1 = M_2V_2$  $0.1 \times 1 = 0.01 \times V_2$  $V_2 = 10 L$ Volume of water to be added = 10 - 1 = 9 L**11** pH =  $3 \Rightarrow H^+ = 10^{-3} M = \alpha C$  $\alpha = \frac{10^{-3}}{C} = \frac{10^{-3}}{01} = 0.01 << 1$ According to Ostwald dilution law  $\therefore K_a = \alpha^2 C$  $= (0.01)^2 \times 0.1$  $= 1 \times 10^{-5}$ **12** We know that acidic strength  $\propto K_a$  value. Thus, on the basis of  $K_a$  value, order of acidic strength is  $HCN < HNO_2 < HF.$ Conjugate base of a strong acid is weak. Therefore, the order of base strength of conjugate base is  $F^{-} < NO_{2}^{-} < CN^{-}$ . **13**  $\underset{At t = 0 \ At t = t}{HA} \xrightarrow{HA} H^{+} + A^{-}_{0} \xrightarrow{H^{+}} H^{+} + A^{-}_{0}$

$$[A^{-}] = [H^{+}]$$

 $K_a = \frac{[H^+][A^-]}{[HA]} = \frac{[10^{-5}][10^{-5}]}{[1-10^{-5}]}$ Since,  $1 >> 10^{-5}$ , therefore  $(1 - 10^{-5}) \approx 1.$  $K_a = 1 \times 10^{-10}$ ÷.  $CH_3COOH \longrightarrow CH_3COO^- + H^+$ 14 Initially 1 0 After ionisation  $1 - \alpha$   $\alpha$  $pK_a = -\log K_a = 4.74$ 0 α  $K_a = 1.82 \times 10^{-5}$ *:*.. From,  $K_a = \frac{C\alpha^2}{(1-\alpha)} = C\alpha^2$  (::  $1 - \alpha \approx 1$ )  $\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{K_a}{C}} = \sqrt{\frac{1.82 \times 10^{-5}}{0.05}} = 0.019 \text{ or } 1.9\%$ **15** NaX +  $H_2O \implies$  NaOH + HX HX is a weak acid, so Na X is a salt of weak acid and strong base. Hydrolysis constant of Na X,  $K_h = \frac{K_w}{K_a} = \frac{1 \times 10^{-14}}{10^{-5}} = 1 \times 10^{-9}$ Again,  $K_h = \frac{h^2}{V} = Ch^2$ (where, h = degree of hydrolysis)  $1 \times 10^{-9} = 0.1 \times h^2$  $h^2 = \frac{1 \times 10^{-9}}{0.1} = 1 \times 10^{-8}$  $h = 1 \times 10$ % of degree of hydrolysis of NaX salt  $= 1 \times 10^{-4} \times 100 = 1 \times 10^{-2} = 0.01\%$ 16 For a salt of weak acid and weak base,  $pH = 7 + \frac{1}{2}pK_a - \frac{1}{2}pK_b$ Given,  $pK_a$  (HA) = 3.2,  $pK_a(BOH) = 3.4$  $pH = 7 + \frac{1}{2}(3.2) - \frac{1}{2}(3.4)$ = 7 + 1.6 - 1.7 = 6.9 **17** pH = 13, pOH = 1  $[OH^{-}] = 10^{-1} M$ mole of  $(OH)^{-} = \frac{1 \times 0.1}{1000} = 1 \times 10^{-4}$  mol =  $1 \times 10^{-4} \times 6.02 \times 10^{23}$  OH  $^-$  ions per mL  $= 6.02 \times 10^{19}$ **18**  $(CH_3COO)_2Ca \rightarrow Ca^{2+} + 2CH_3COO^ (2 \times 0.005 = 0.01)$ (0.005 M)  $[CH_{3}COO^{-}] = 0.01 \text{ M}$ 

CH<sub>3</sub>COO<sup>-</sup> + H<sub>2</sub>O ⇒ CH<sub>3</sub>COOH + OH<sup>-</sup><sub>Alkaline</sub>  
pH = 7 + 
$$\frac{pK_a}{2} + \frac{\log C}{2}$$
  
= 7 + 2.37 +  $\frac{\log 0.01}{2}$   
= 7 + 2.37 - 1 = 8.37  
**19** For salt of a weak acid and weak base,  
pH = 7 +  $\frac{1}{2}$ [pK<sub>a</sub> - pK<sub>b</sub>]  
= 7 +  $\frac{1}{2}$ [4.80 - 4.78]  
= 7 +  $\frac{1}{2}$ [0.02)  
= 7.01  
**20** AB<sub>2</sub> → A<sup>2+</sup> + 2B<sup>-</sup>  
K<sub>sp</sub> = [A<sup>2+</sup>][2B<sup>-</sup>]<sup>2</sup>  
= (1.0 × 10<sup>-5</sup>)(2 × 1.0 × 10<sup>-5</sup>)<sup>2</sup>  
= 4 × 10<sup>-15</sup>  
**21** Let the solubility of PbCl<sub>2</sub> = x mol  
PbCl<sub>2</sub> → Pb<sup>2+</sup> + 2Cl<sup>-</sup>  
xmol/L → Pb<sup>2+</sup> + 2Cl<sup>-</sup>  
xmol/L → Pb<sup>2+</sup> + 2Cl<sup>-</sup>  
2x  
K<sub>sp</sub> = [Pb<sup>2+</sup>][Cl<sup>-</sup>]<sup>2</sup>  
or = (x) × (2x)<sup>2</sup> or = 4x<sup>3</sup>  
∴ x =  $\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}}{4}} = (\frac{K_{sp}}{4})^{1/3}$   
**22** The one with lowest value of K<sub>sp</sub>, i.e.  
HgS will precipitate out first.  
**23** Salt Solubility product Solubility  
MX S<sub>1</sub><sup>2</sup> = 4.0 × 10<sup>-8</sup> S<sub>1</sub> = 2 × 10<sup>-4</sup>  
MX<sub>2</sub> 4S<sub>2</sub><sup>3</sup> = 3.2 × 10<sup>-14</sup>  
S<sub>2</sub> = 2 × 10<sup>-5</sup>  
M<sub>3</sub>X 27S<sub>3</sub><sup>4</sup> = 2.7 × 10<sup>-15</sup> S<sub>3</sub> = 1 × 10<sup>-4</sup>  
Thus, order of solubilities  
= MX > M<sub>3</sub>X > MX<sub>2</sub>  
**24** K<sub>sp</sub> of BaSO<sub>4</sub> = 1.5 × 10<sup>-9</sup>,  
Ba<sup>2+</sup> = 0.01 M  
SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2</sup> > 1.5× 10<sup>-9</sup>,  
Ba<sup>2+</sup> = 0.01 M  
SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2</sup> > 10<sup>-6</sup> M  
**25** Concentration of CO<sub>2</sub><sup>2-</sup> ions  
= 1.0 × 10<sup>-4</sup> M

For precipitation  $K_{sp} \le [Ba^{2+}] [CO_3^{2-}]$ Given,  $K_{sp} = 5.1 \times 10^{-9}$ Hence, minimum concentration of  $Ba^{2+}$ ions should be

 $=\frac{K_{\rm sp}}{[\rm CO_2^{2-}]}=\frac{5.1\times10^{-9}}{1.0\times10^{-4}}=5.1\times10^{-5}~\rm M$ **26** For the solute,  $A_x B_y \rightleftharpoons x A + yB$ 
$$\begin{split} \mathcal{K}_{\rm sp} &= x^x y^y ({\rm s})^{x+y} \\ {\rm Thus}, \mathcal{M} x_4 {\stackrel{\longrightarrow}{\longrightarrow}} \mathcal{M}^{4+} + 4x^-, \, x = {\rm I}, \, y = 4 \end{split}$$
 $K_{\rm SD} = (1)^1 (4)^4 (S)^{(1+4)} = 256 \, {\rm S}^5$  $S = \left(\frac{K_{sp}}{256}\right)^{1/5}$ **27**  $K_{\rm sp} = [Ag^+][Br^-] = 5.0 \times 10^{-13}$  $Br^{-} = \frac{5 \times 10^{-13}}{0.05} = 1 \times 10^{-11} M$ Moles of KBr =  $1 \times 10^{-11} \times 1 = 1 \times 10^{-11}$ Weight of KBr =  $1 \times 10^{-11} \times 120$  $= 1.2 \times 10^{-9}$  g **28** Mg(OH)  $_2 \implies$  Mg<sup>2+</sup> + 2OH<sup>-</sup>  $K_{\rm sp} = [{\rm Mg}^{2+}][{\rm OH}^{-}]^2$  $[OH^{-}] = \sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}}{[Mq^{2+}]}} = 10^{-4}$ pOH = 4 and pH = 10. **29** When ionic product is greater than  $K_{sp}$ , then precipitation occurs.  $\therefore K_{\rm sp}$  < lonic product. This happens in option (b) where  $1.7 \times 10^{-10} < (10^{-2}) (10^{-3})$  $1.7 \times 10^{-10} < 10^{-6}$ **30** Ca (OH)<sub>3</sub>(s)  $\rightleftharpoons$  Cr<sup>3+</sup>(aq) + 3OH<sup>-</sup>(aq) S S 35  $K_{\rm SD} = [{\rm Cr}^{3+}][{\rm OH}^{-}]^{3}$  $1.6 \times 10^{-30} = (S)(3S)^3$  $1.6 \times 10^{-30} = 27(S)^4$  $S^4 = \frac{1.6 \times 10^{-30}}{27}$ *:*..  $S = \sqrt[4]{\frac{1.6 \times 10^{-30}}{27}}$ **31** (i)  $Hg_2Cl_2 \iff Hg_2^{2+} + 2Cl_2^{-1}$ S<sub>1</sub> mol L<sup>-1</sup>  $K_{\rm sp} = [{\rm Hg}_2^{2+}] [{\rm CI}^-]^2 = ({\rm S}_1) (2{\rm S}_1)^2$  $= S_1 \cdot 4S_1^2 = 4S_1^3$  $\therefore \text{ Solubility, } S_1 = \left(\frac{K_{sp}}{4}\right)^{1/3}$ 

(ii) 
$$\operatorname{Cr}_{2}(\operatorname{SO}_{4})_{3} \rightleftharpoons 2\operatorname{Cr}^{3+} + 3\operatorname{SO}_{4}^{2-} \operatorname{S_{2} \ mol} \operatorname{L}^{-1} 2\operatorname{S_{2}}^{2} \operatorname{3S_{2}}^{2}$$
  
 $K_{\operatorname{sp}} = [\operatorname{Cr}^{3+}]^{2} [\operatorname{SO}_{4}^{2-}]^{3} = (2S_{2})^{2}(3S_{2})^{3} = 4S_{2}^{2} \times 27S_{2}^{3} = 108S_{2}^{5}$   
 $\therefore \operatorname{Solubility}, S_{2} = \left(\frac{K_{\operatorname{sp}}}{108}\right)^{1/5}$   
(iii)  $\operatorname{BaSO}_{4} \rightleftharpoons \operatorname{Ba}^{2+} + \operatorname{SO}_{4}^{2-} \operatorname{S_{3}}^{3} \operatorname{mol} \operatorname{L}^{-1} \operatorname{S_{3}}^{2} + \operatorname{SO}_{4}^{2-} \operatorname{S_{3}}^{2}$   
 $K_{\operatorname{sp}} = [\operatorname{Ba}^{2+}] [\operatorname{SO}_{4}^{2-}] = (S_{3})^{2}$   
 $\therefore \operatorname{Solubility}, S_{3} = (K_{\operatorname{sp}})^{1/2}$   
(iv)  $\operatorname{CrCl}_{3} \rightleftharpoons \operatorname{Cr}^{3+} + \operatorname{3Cl}^{-} \operatorname{S_{4}}^{4} \operatorname{3S_{4}}^{4}$   
 $K_{\operatorname{sp}} = [\operatorname{Cr}^{3+}] [\operatorname{Cl}^{-}]^{3} = (S_{4}) (3S_{4})^{3} = 27S_{4}^{4}$   
 $\therefore \operatorname{Solubility}, S_{4} = \left(\frac{K_{\operatorname{sp}}}{27}\right)^{1/4}$   
**32** NaBrO\_{3} \rightleftharpoons Na^{+} + \operatorname{BrO}\_{3}^{-}

 $AgBrO_3 \iff Ag^+ + BrO_3^-$ Due to common ion effect ( $BrO_3^-$ ), the solubility of  $AgBrO_3$  in an aqueous solution of  $NaBrO_3$  is suppressed.

**33** Solubility is decreased due to common ion effect.

 $AgI \Longrightarrow Ag^+ + I^-$ ,  $NaI \Longrightarrow Na^+ + I^-$ 

- **34** In group III of analysis, addition of NH<sub>4</sub>Cl increases NH<sup>+</sup><sub>4</sub> ion and decreases OH<sup>-</sup> ion concentration produced from NH<sub>4</sub>OH due to common ion effect.
- **35** CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>2</sub> (base) on reaction with HCl (acid) give a salt of weak base and strong acid as CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>Cl<sup>−</sup>.

So, it acts as basic buffer solution due to the presence of weak base and its salt in solution of one litre.

$$pOH = -\log K_b \times \log \frac{|\text{salt}|}{|\text{base}|}$$

$$pOH = -\log K_b \times \log \frac{[CH_3NH_3^+Cl^-]}{[CH_3NH_2]}$$

$$= -\log (5 \times 10^{-4}) + \log \frac{[0.08]}{[0.02]}$$

$$= -\log 5 + 4\log 10 + \log 4$$

$$= -0.699 + 4 + 0.602 = 3.903$$

pH = 14 - pOH = 14 - 3.903 $= 10.097 = -\log [H^{+}]$  $[H^{+}] = 8.0 \times 10^{-11}$ 

**36** When the concentration of NH<sub>4</sub>OH (weak base) is higher than the strong acid (HCI), a mixture of weak base and its conjugate acid is obtained, which acts as basic buffer.

NH<sub>4</sub>OH + HCI → NH<sub>4</sub>CI + H<sub>2</sub>O Initially 0.1M 0.05M 0 After reaction 0.05M 0 0.05M **37** Concentration =  $\frac{\text{mass}}{\text{molar mass} \times V (\text{mL})}$ ∴ [CH<sub>3</sub>COOH] =  $\frac{5 \times 1000}{60 \times 500}$  = 0.166 M Similarly, [CH<sub>3</sub>COONa] =  $\frac{7.5 \times 1000}{82 \times 500}$ = 0.183 M For the buffer solution , CH<sub>3</sub>COOH + NaOH →

$$CH_{3}COONa + H_{2}OONa + H_{2}OONa + H_{2}OONa + H_{2}OONa + H_{2}OONa + H_{2}OOHa + H_{2}OHa + H_{2$$

**38** From the aqueous buffered solution of HA, 50% HA is ionised.  $[HA] = [A^{-}]$ Buffer solution of weak acid HA  $\longrightarrow$  acidic buffer

$$pH = pK_a + \log \frac{[A^-]}{[HA]}$$
$$= pK_a + \log 1$$
$$pH = pK_a = 4.5$$
$$pOH = pK_w - pH$$

pOH = 14 - 4.5 = 9.5

- **39** NaCl is the salt of strong acid and strong base. It is not a buffer as aqueous solution of NaCl is itself an exact neutral solution.
- **40** The ionisation of NaCl is suppressed due to the common ion effect of Cl<sup>-</sup> which results in the precipitation of NaCl.

- **41** The value of solubility product of AgCl is greater than that of AgBr. Since, compounds with lower value of solubility product is precipitated first, therefore AgBr precipitates out more easily than AgCl.
- **42** HCl gives the common  $H^+$  ions and hence, ionisation equilibrium  $H_2S \rightleftharpoons 2H^+ + S^{2-}$  is suppressed.
- **43** Hgl<sub>2</sub> combines with KI to form the soluble complex K<sub>2</sub>Hgl<sub>4</sub> and thus the solubility of Hg I<sub>2</sub> is expected to be less in KI due to common ion effect.
- **44** A solution containing a mixture of acetic acid and the sodium acetate acts as a buffer solution as it maintains a constant value of pH (= 4.75) and its pH is not affected on addition of small amounts of acid or alkali.

#### **SESSION 2**

1 Strong acids have low pH value while strong bases have high pH value. Hence, the order of pH is

HCI < CH<sub>3</sub>COOH< NH<sub>4</sub>CI < CH<sub>3</sub>COONa Strong Weak acid Salt of weak base and strong acid strong base

 ${\bf 2}~{\rm In}~1\times10^{-8}~{\rm M}$  HCl solution,  ${\rm H_2O}$  is also

present and undergoes self ionisation.  $H_2O \rightleftharpoons H^+ + OH^ [H^+] = 10^{-7} \text{ M at } 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ 

 $\rm H^+$  from HCl decreases self ionisation which decreases [H^+] concentration, hence net concentration must be smaller than  $10^{-7}$  M.

Thus, the pH of  $1 \times 10^{-8}$  M HCl is less than 8.

**3** Given that,  $K_a = 1.74 \times 10^{-5}$ Concentration of CH<sub>3</sub>COOH = 0.01 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>

$$[H^+] = \alpha C$$

According to Ostwald dilution law,

$$K_{a} = \alpha^{2}C$$

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{K_{a}}{C}}$$

$$H^{+} = \sqrt{\frac{K_{a}}{C}} \times C$$

$$[H^{+}] = \sqrt{K_{a} \cdot C}$$

$$= \sqrt{1.74 \times 10^{-5} \times 0.01}$$

 $= 4.17 \times 10^{-4}$   $pH = -\log [H^{+}]$   $= -\log (4.17 \times 10^{-4}) = 3.4$  **4** HA  $\implies$  H<sup>+</sup> + A<sup>-</sup>

$$K_a = C\alpha^2 = 1 \times \left(\frac{4}{100}\right)^2 = 1.6 \times 10^{-3}$$
  

$$K_a = \frac{[H^+][A^-]}{[HA]}, [H^+] = C\alpha = 1 \times 0.01$$
  
= 0.01 M  
∴ 1.6 × 10^{-3} =  $\frac{0.01 [A^-]}{1}; \quad [A^-] = 0.16$  M

**5** Its given that the final volume is 500 mL and this final volume was arrived when 50 mL of 1 M Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was added to unknown Ba<sup>2+</sup> solution. So, we can interpret the volume of unknown Ba<sup>2+</sup> solution as 450 mL i.e.

$$\begin{array}{c} 450\text{mL} + 50\text{mL} \longrightarrow 500\text{mL} \\ \text{Ba}^{2+} & \text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 \\ \text{solution} & \text{solution} \end{array} \xrightarrow{} 500\text{mL} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{BaSO}_4 \\ \text{solution} \end{array}$$

From this we can calculate the concentration of  $SO_4^{2-}$  ion in the solution *via* 

$$\begin{array}{l} M_1V_1 = M_2V_2 \\ 1\times 50 = M_2\times 500 \\ (\text{as 1M Na}_2\text{SO}_4 \text{ is taken into} \\ \text{consideration}) \end{array}$$

$$M_2 = \frac{1}{10} = 0.1 \,\mathrm{M}$$

Now for just precipitation, lonic product = Solubility product ( $K_{sp}$ ) i.e. [Ba<sup>2+</sup>][SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>] =  $K_{sp}$  of BaSO<sub>4</sub>

Given, 
$$K_{sp}$$
 of BaSO<sub>4</sub> = 1 × 10<sup>-10</sup>

So, 
$$[Ba^{2+}][0.1] = 1 \times 10^{-10}$$

or  $[Ba^{2+}] = 1 \times 10^{-9} M$ 

This is the concentration of Ba  $^{2+}$  ions in final solution. Hence, for calculating the  $[{\rm Ba}^{\,2+}\,]$  in original solution we have to use

$$M_1V_1 = M_2V_2$$
  
as  $M_1 \times 450 = 10^{-9} \times 500$ 

so,  $M_1 = 1.1 \times 10^{-9} \text{M}$ 

6 CH<sub>3</sub>COO<sup>-</sup> acts as buffer

$$CH_{3}COO^{-} + H_{2}O \Longrightarrow CH_{3}COOH + OH^{-}$$
  

$$\therefore OH^{-} = Cx = C\sqrt{\frac{K_{b}}{C}} = \sqrt{CK_{b}}$$
  
But  $K_{a} \cdot K_{b} = K_{w}$   

$$\therefore K_{b} = \frac{K_{w}}{K_{a}}$$
  

$$\therefore OH^{-} = \sqrt{\frac{CK_{w}}{K_{a}}}$$

7 [Ag<sup>+</sup>] = 0.1 mg  
= (0.1×10<sup>-3</sup> g) in 500 mL H<sub>2</sub>O  
= 
$$\frac{0.1 \times 10^{-3}}{108}$$
 mol in 500 mL H<sub>2</sub>O  
=  $\frac{0.1 \times 10^{-3} \times 2}{108}$  mol in 1 L H<sub>2</sub>O  
= 1.85×10<sup>-6</sup> M  
[Ag<sup>+</sup>] [Cl<sup>-</sup>] =  $1.0 \times 10^{-10}$   
 $\therefore$  [Cl<sup>-</sup>] =  $\frac{1.0 \times 10^{-10}}{1.85 \times 10^{-6}}$  =  $5.4 \times 10^{-5}$  M  
8  $\alpha_1 = 0.005 = \sqrt{K_a}$  ( $\therefore C_1 = 1 \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ )  
Molarity of the diluted solution,  
 $C_2 = \frac{2}{32} = \frac{1}{16}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup>  
According to Ostwald dilution law,  
 $\alpha_2 = \sqrt{\frac{K_a}{C_2}} = 0.005 \sqrt{16} = 0.02$   
[H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>] =  $C_2 \alpha_2$   
 $= \frac{1 \times 0.02}{16} = 1.25 \times 10^{-3}$ M  
9 For precipitation,  
lonic product > solubility product ( $K_{sp}$ )  
For Ag<sub>2</sub>CrO<sub>4</sub>, lonic product  
 $= [Ag^+]^2[CrO_4^-]$   
 $= (10^{-4})^2 (10^{-5}) = 10^{-13}$   
 $K_{sp}$  of Ag<sub>2</sub>CrO<sub>4</sub> =  $4 \times 10^{-12}$   
Here,  $K_{sp}$  > lonic product  
Thus, no precipitate is obtained.  
For AgCl, ionic product  
 $= [Ag^+][Cl^-] = (10^{-4})(10^{-5})$   
 $= 10^{-9}$   
 $K_{sp}$  (AgCl) =  $1 \times 10^{-10}$   
Here, lonic product >  $K_{sp}$   
So, precipitate will form. Thus, silver  
chloride gets precipitated first.  
10 AglO<sub>3</sub> (s)  $\implies Ag^+(aq) + IO_3(aq)$ 

**D** AgIO<sub>3</sub>(s) 
$$\Longrightarrow$$
 Ag<sup>+</sup>(aq) + IO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>(aq)  
 $K_{sp} = [Ag^+][IO_3^-]$ 

1.0×10<sup>-8</sup> = (S)(S)  
1.0×10<sup>-8</sup> = S<sup>2</sup>  
S = √1.0×10<sup>-8</sup>  
= 10×10<sup>-4</sup> mol /L  
In 1000 mL, moles of AgIO<sub>3</sub> dissolved  
= 1×10<sup>-4</sup> mol  
In 100 mL, moles of AgIO<sub>3</sub> dissolved  
= 1×10<sup>-5</sup> mol  
Mass of AgIO<sub>3</sub> in 100 mL  
= 1×10<sup>-5</sup> ×283 = 2.83×10<sup>-3</sup> g  
**11** H<sub>A</sub> + H<sub>2</sub>O → H<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>O + A<sup>-</sup>  
C(1-α) Cα Cα  
K<sub>a</sub> = 
$$\frac{[H_3^+O][A^-]}{[HA]} = \frac{C^2 \alpha^2}{C(1-\alpha)}$$
  
With in an error of 10%,  
C(1-α) or C - Cα = 0.90 C  
or Cα = 0.10 C  
 $\therefore$  K<sub>a</sub> =  $\frac{(0.10 C)^2}{0.90 C} = \frac{C}{90}$   
or C = 90K<sub>a</sub>  
**12** Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> + HCI→ NaCI + NaHCO<sub>3</sub>  
Meq. before  $\frac{30}{106}$ × 1000 150×1 0 0  
= 283 = 150  
Meq after reaction 133 0 150 150  
The solution contains Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> and  
HCO<sub>3</sub> and thus, acts as buffer.  
 $\therefore$  pH = - logK<sub>a</sub> + log  $\frac{[CO_3^2-]}{[HCO_3]}$   
pH = - logK<sub>a</sub> + log  $\frac{(CO_3^2-1)}{[HCO_3]}$   
pH = - log(5.63×10<sup>-11</sup>) + log(133/150)  
= 10.249 - 0.052  
pH = 10.197  
**13** N<sub>1</sub>V<sub>1</sub> = N<sub>2</sub>V<sub>2</sub>  
(Base) (Acid)

 $2.5 \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{2}{15} \times V_2$  $V_2 = \frac{15}{2} = 7.5 \text{ mL}$ or  $BOH + HCI \longrightarrow BCI + H_2O$ 2.5 mL of  $\frac{2}{5}$  M base contains, base  $= 2.5 \times \frac{2}{5} = 1 \text{ mmol}$ :. Salt BCI formed = 1m mol Volume of solution = 2.5 mL + 7.5 mL= 10 mL :. Concentration of salt [BCI] in the solution  $= \frac{1}{10}$  M = 0.1 M For salt of weak base and strong acid  $[H^+] = \sqrt{\frac{K_w C}{K_b}} = \sqrt{\frac{10^{-14} \times 0.1}{10^{-12}}}$  $= 3.2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}$ 14 pH = 9.26 indicates [NH<sub>4</sub>OH] > [HCI] and thus mixture is a basic buffer since, HCl will react with equivalent amount of NH<sub>4</sub>OH forming NH<sub>4</sub>Cl. HCI = x mL = x millimolLet  $NH_4OH = (300 - x) mL$ = (300 - x) millimol  $NH_4Cl$  formed = x millimol NH₄OH unreacted = 300 - x - x = (300 - 2x) millimol pOH = 14 - 9.26 = 4.74 $pK_b = 14 - 9.26 = 4.74$  $pOH = pK_b + \log \frac{[NH_4^+]}{[NH_4OH]}$ or  $4.74 = 4.74 + \log \frac{x}{300 - 2x}$  $\Rightarrow \frac{x}{300-2x} = 1$ x = 100 mL = volume of HCl

 $(300 - x) = 200 \text{ mL} = \text{volume of NH}_4\text{OH}$ Hence, volume ratio of NH<sub>4</sub>OH and HCI = 2 : 1.