

Stuff to remember from yesterday:

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

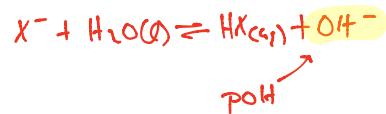
$$\text{pH} + \text{pOH} = 14 \quad [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-14}$$

$\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  produced  $\rightarrow \text{pH}$

Acids react with water: Acid dissociation reaction



Bases react with water: Base dissociation reaction



Strong Acid / Base reactions boil down to stoichiometry (no equilibrium)

Calculate the  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$ ,  $[\text{OH}^-]$ , pH, and pOH of 1.3 mM HBr at 25°C  
Start by writing out the reaction.



strong acid, so not in equilibrium

$$\frac{1.3 \text{ mmol HBr}}{\text{L}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mmol H}_3\text{O}^+}{1 \text{ mmol HBr}} \times \frac{10^{-3} \text{ mol}}{1 \text{ mmol}} = 1.3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M H}_3\text{O}^+ = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = -\log 1.3 \times 10^{-3} = 2.87 = \text{pH}$$

$$\text{pH} + \text{pOH} = 14 \quad 2.87 + \text{pOH} = 14 \quad \text{pOH} = 11.11$$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-14} \quad [\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-14} / 1.3 \times 10^{-3} = 7.69 \times 10^{-12} = [\text{OH}^-]$$

Don't be tricked by Really dilute acids or bases: acids must have  $\text{pH} < 7$   
bases must be  $\text{pH} > 7$

Example: What is the pH of 71 nM HCl?

$$71 \text{ nM HCl} \rightarrow 71 \text{ nM H}_3\text{O}^+ = 7.1 \times 10^{-8} \text{ M H}_3\text{O}^+$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pH} &= -\log 7.1 \times 10^{-8} \\ \text{pH} &= 7.14 ?! \end{aligned}$$

\* Remember that water contributes to  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$  \*

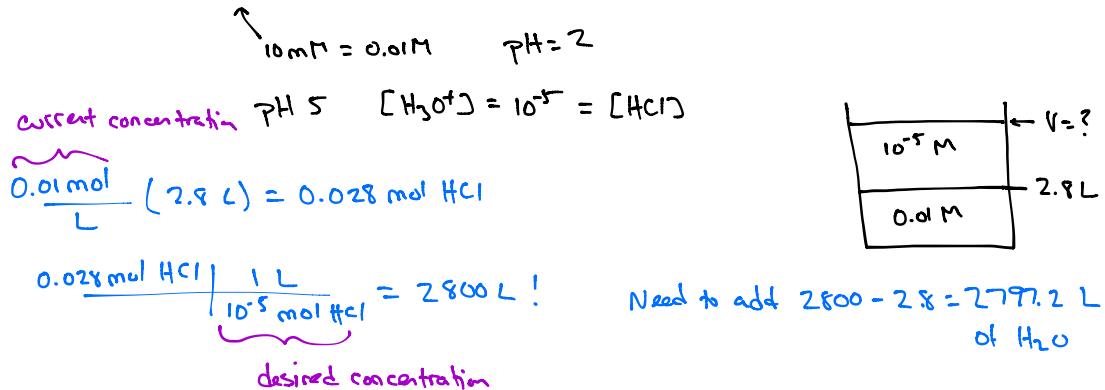
-for really dilute acids (or bases), we need to take this into consideration

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]_{\text{total}} = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]_{\text{water}} + [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]_{\text{HCl}} = 10^{-7} \text{ M} + 7.1 \times 10^{-8} \text{ M} = 1.71 \times 10^{-7} \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = 6.77$$

↑  
No - this is an acid!

You have 2.8 L of 10 mM HCl. How much water do you need to add to have a pH = 5?



You have 2.8 L of 10 mM HNO<sub>3</sub>. Your goal is to neutralize this solution by adding NaOH. If the NaOH you are adding is 1.00 M, calculate the volume that is needed. What is [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>] at this point?

① How many moles of H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> are present?



$$\frac{2.8 \text{ L HNO}_3}{\text{L}} \left| \frac{0.01 \text{ mol}}{1 \text{ mol HNO}_3} \right| \left| \frac{1 \text{ mol H}_3\text{O}^+}{1 \text{ mol HNO}_3} \right. = 0.028 \text{ mol H}_3\text{O}^+$$

So to neutralize this solution, 0.028 mol OH<sup>-</sup> are needed  
(remember neutral is when [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>] = [OH<sup>-</sup>])

② Calculate volume of NaOH needed.

$$\frac{0.028 \text{ mol OH}^-}{\text{L}} \left| \frac{1 \text{ mol NaOH}}{1 \text{ mol OH}^-} \right| \left| \frac{1 \text{ L}}{1 \text{ mol NaOH}} \right. = 0.028 \text{ L NaOH needed}$$

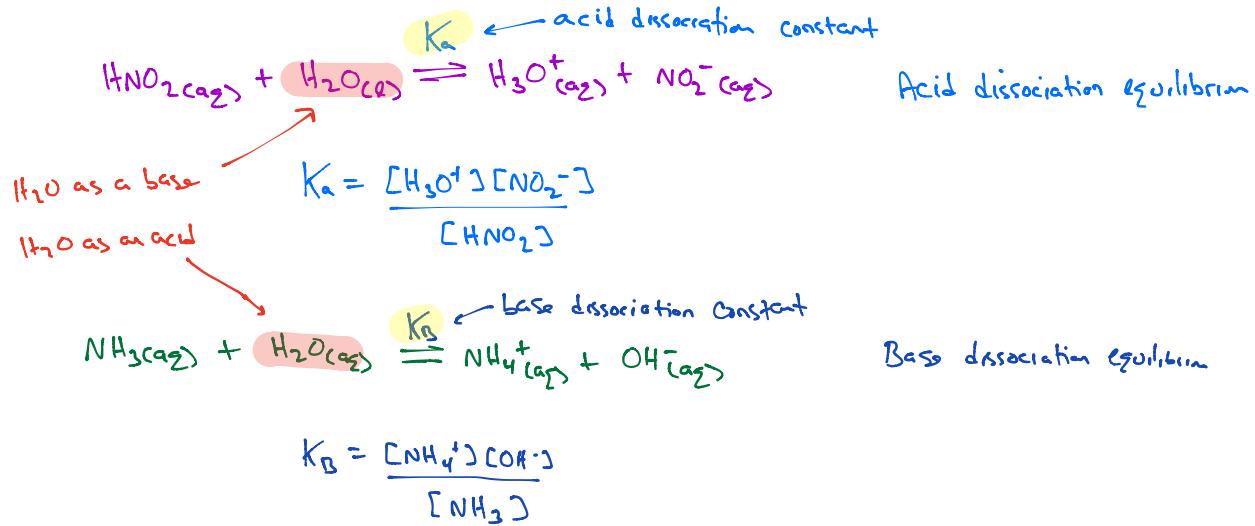
Once the NaOH has been added, a neutralization reaction occurs:



Since [OH<sup>-</sup>]<sub>added</sub> = [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>] from HNO<sub>3</sub>, only the autoionization of water matters

$$2\text{H}_2\text{O(l)} \rightleftharpoons [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-14} \quad [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 10^{-7} \text{ M}$$

Acids and bases react with water - the 1<sup>st</sup> thing you should do when you think about these molecules is to react them with H<sub>2</sub>O

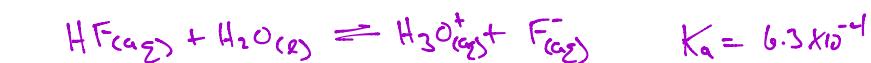


## WEAK ACIDS/BASES

We saw above that 10 mM HCl has a pH of 2 → strong acid, so  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 10 \text{ mM}$

But what is the pH of 10 mM HF

NOT a strong acid!



I	0.01	0	0	
C	-x	+x	+x	This is an equilibrium problem
E	0.01 - x	x	x	TCE

$$6.3 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{x^2}{0.01 - x}$$

$$6.3 \times 10^{-6} - 6.3 \times 10^{-4}x = x^2$$

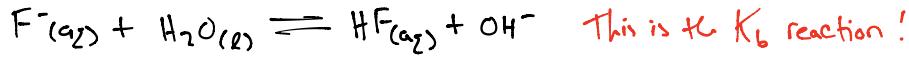
$$0 = x^2 + 6.3 \times 10^{-4}x - 6.3 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$x = \frac{-6.3 \times 10^{-4} + \sqrt{(6.3 \times 10^{-4})^2 - 4(-6.3 \times 10^{-6})}}{2} = 2.21 \times 10^{-3} = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 2.65$$

$$= 10 \text{ mM F}^-$$

What about  $\text{NaF}$ ?  $\rightarrow$  NOTE that  $\text{NaF}$  is soluble... in solution it is  $\text{Na}^+ + \text{F}^-$   
 - we can't just reverse the  $K_a$  reaction - Bases react with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , NOT  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ !



- so to solve for  $[\text{OH}^-]$ , need  $K_b$ !

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{F}^-]}{[\text{HF}]}$$

$$K_b = \frac{[\text{OH}^-][\text{HF}]}{[\text{F}^-]}$$

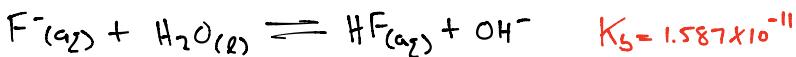
$$K_a \cdot K_b = K_w!$$

$$pK_a + pK_b = 14$$

$$\frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{F}^-]}{[\text{HF}]} \cdot \frac{[\text{OH}^-][\text{HF}]}{[\text{F}^-]} = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] = K_w$$

$$K_a \text{ for HF} = 6.3 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$K_b = \frac{10^{-14}}{6.3 \times 10^{-4}} = 1.587 \times 10^{-11}$$



$$I \quad 0.01$$

$$O \quad O$$

$$C \quad -x$$

$$+x \quad +x$$

$$E \quad 0.01-x$$

$$x \quad x$$

$$1.587 \times 10^{-11} = \frac{x^2}{0.01-x}$$

$$x^2 = 1.587 \times 10^{-13} - 1.587 \times 10^{-11}x$$

$$0 = x^2 + 1.587 \times 10^{-11}x - 1.587 \times 10^{-13}$$

$$x = \frac{-1.587 \times 10^{-11} + \sqrt{(1.587 \times 10^{-11})^2 - 4(-1.587 \times 10^{-13})}}{2}$$

$$x = 3.984 \times 10^{-7} = [\text{OH}^-]$$

$$p\text{OH} = -\log [\text{OH}^-] = 6.4$$

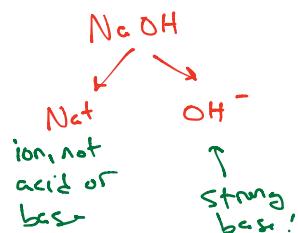
$$p\text{H} = 14 - p\text{OH} = 7.6$$

## Salts + pH

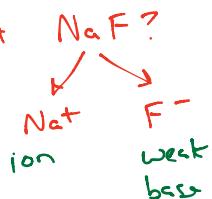
A lot of salts, when dissolved in  $H_2O$ , will make a solution acidic or basic. The trick to understanding this is to recognize acid and base

### easy example

When  $NaOH(s)$  is dissolved in water, will the solution be acidic or basic?



What about  $NaF$ ?



Basic  $\rightarrow F^-$  is a base

(conjugate base of the weak acid  $HF$ )

$NaCl$



NOT a base because it is the conjugate "base" of a STRONG acid



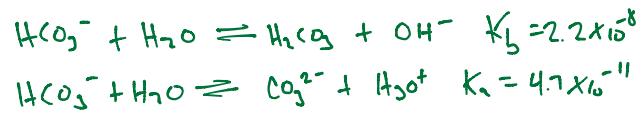
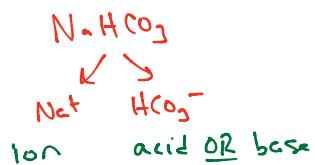
$Cl^-$  will NOT react with  $H_2O$  to make  $OH^-$ !

$\uparrow$   
not reversible

$NH_4Cl$



acidic



The base reaction ( $K_b$ ) is more favored than the acid reaction! More  $\text{OH}^-$  will form ... **BASIC**