# **TITRATIONS**

ACIDS.- a substance that produces hydrogen ions, H+, in an aqueous solution.

- Taste sour
- React with certain metals to produce hydrogen gas. (Zn, Fe, Mg, etc.)
- Changes litmus paper red
- Conducts electricity
- Reacts with bases to form salt, water.
- Arrhenius Acid produces H+ ions or hydronium ions, like HCI
- Bronsted-Lowry acid: proton donor
  - A proton is really just a hydrogen atom that has lost an electron.

### MONOPROTIC AND POLYPROTIC ACIDS

- Monoprotic: can donate only one hydrogen ion per molecule (HCI)
- Diprotic: can donate two hydrogen ions per molecule (H2SO4)
- Triprotic acids: can donate three hydrogen ions per molecule (H3PO4)

**BASES**.- a substance that produces hydroxide ions, OH-, in an aqueous solution.

- <u>Arrhenius base</u>: produce OH- ions like NaOH
  - One problem is that not all bases do not produce hydroxide ions.
- Bronsted-Lowry base: proton acceptor.
- Tastes bitter
- Feel slippery or soapy
- Conduct electricity
- Changes litmus paper blue
- Reacts with acids to form salts and water
- Alkali: a soluble base. When dissolved on water, alkalis all release the hydroxide ion.

CONJUGATE PAIRS, when one of the misses an electron compared to it's pair.

### **AMPOTHERIC / AMPHIPROTIC SUBSTANCES**

• Substances that can act like Bronsted-Lowry acids and bases, meaning they can either accept or donate a proton.

- These features allow them to have a double identity:
  - $\circ$   $\,$  To be an acid, they must be able to dissociate and release H+  $\,$
  - To act as base, must be able to accept H+, which means they must have a non bonding pair of electrons.
- Water is a perfect example- it can donate H+ and has two lone pairs of electrons.
  - Autoionization of water:
  - $\circ \quad \text{H2O + H2O <--- } \rightarrow \text{H3O+ + OH-}$
- Amphoteric: can act as either acid or base
- Amphiprotic: type of amphoteric substance that can act as a base or acid but by specifically donating or accepting hydrogen ions.

## STRENGTH OF ACIDS AND BASES

- Strong acids and bases of equal concentrations have higher conductivity than weak acids and bases.
- A strong acid is a good proton donor, and has a weak conjugate base.
- A strong base is a good proton acceptor, and has a weak conjugate acid.
- A strong acid ionizes completely in aqueous solutions
  - HCI, HBr, HI, HNO<sub>3</sub>, H2SO<sub>4</sub>, HCIO<sub>4</sub>
- A weak acid releases few hydrogen ions in aqueous solutions
- As with acids, the strength of a base depends on the extent to which it dissociates or adds hydroxide ions, to the solution.
- Seven strong bases completely ionize in water.
  - LiOH, NaOH, KOH, RbOH, CsOH, Sr(OH)<sub>2</sub>, Ba(OH)<sub>2</sub>, Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub>
- Bases are strong when there are lots of OH<sup>-</sup> ions in solution, because the compounds dissociate well.

% ionization = (amount ionized / initial concentration) \*100

### **KEY REACTIONS**

- 1. Acid + base  $\rightarrow$  salt + water
- 2. Acid + metal  $\rightarrow$  salt + hydrogen
- 3. Acid + metal carbonate  $\rightarrow$  salt + water + carbon dioxide

#### NEUTRALIZATION

• Net ionic equation is  $H^{+}(aq) + OH^{-}(aq) < --- H_{2}O(I)$ 

# THE pH SCALE

- pH is a measurement of the concentration of hydronium ions in the solution while the pOH scale measures the concentration of hydroxide ions.
  - pH + pOH = 14
  - [H<sup>+</sup>] = 10<sup>-pH</sup>
  - [OH<sup>-</sup>] = 10<sup>-pOH</sup>
  - °  $pH=-log_{10}[H^+]$
  - pOH= -log  $[OH^-]$
- Goes from 0 to 14
- pH 7 is neutral, anything less than 7 is acidic and anything more than 7 is basic.
- pH 1 is ten times stronger than pH 2, pH1 is a hundred timed stronger than pH 3, and so on...

### LOGARITHMIC SCALE

• Is a nonlinear scale used when there is a large range of quantities. Common uses include earthquake strength.