

# ACIDS AND BASES REFERENCE SHEET

## ACIDS

Juices/Fruits  
Tart, sour, sharp taste  
They are electrolytes  
Conduct electricity  
React with Metals  
Common as aqueous and liquids



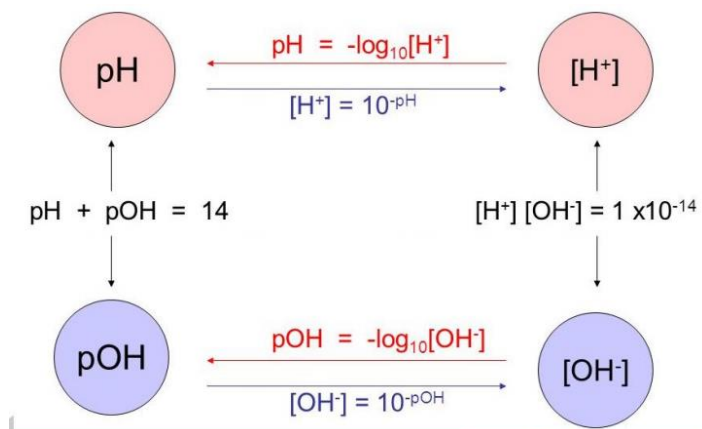
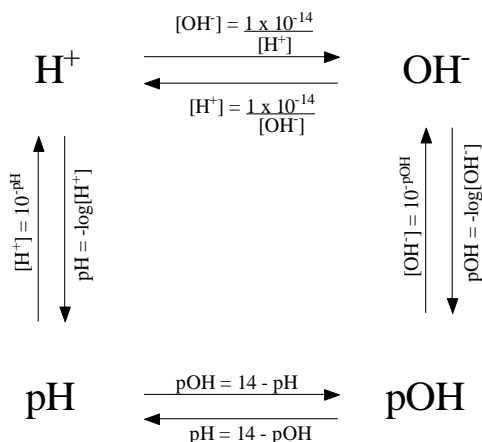
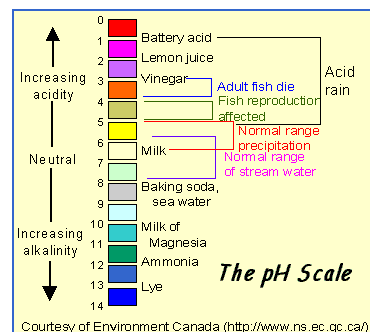
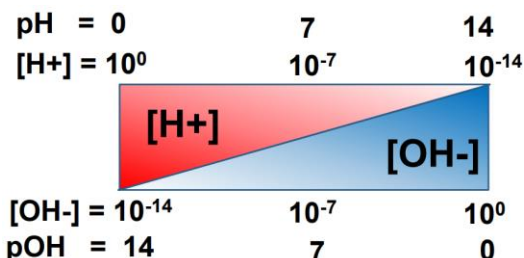
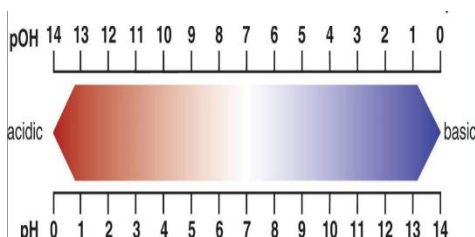
## BASES

Cleaning products  
Bitter tasting  
Slippery to the touch  
Common as Solids



7 Strong Acids (H <sup>+</sup> ) All other acids are weak		8 Strong Bases (OH <sup>-</sup> ) All other bases are weak	
Hydrochloric acid	HCl	Lithium hydroxide	LiOH
Hydrobromic acid	HBr	Sodium hydroxide	NaOH
Hydroiodic	HI	Potassium hydroxide	KOH
Perchloric acid	HClO <sub>4</sub>	Rubidium hydroxide	RbOH
Chloric acid	HClO <sub>3</sub>	Cesium hydroxide	CsOH
Nitric acid	HNO <sub>3</sub>	Calcium hydroxide	Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub>
Sulfuric acid	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	Strontium hydroxide	Sr(OH) <sub>2</sub>
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Memorize these 15, ALL ELSE ARE considered WEAK



## Arrhenius

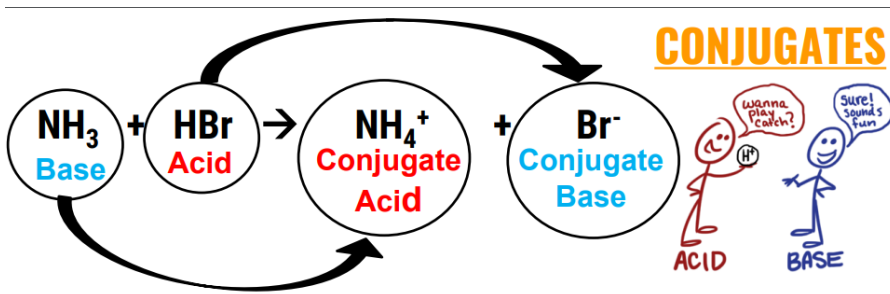
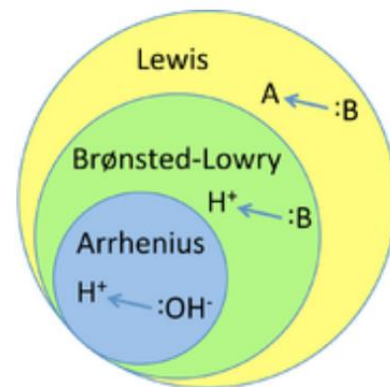
- Acids make H<sup>+</sup> ions in aqueous solutions
- Bases make OH<sup>-</sup> ions in solution

## Bronsted-Lowry

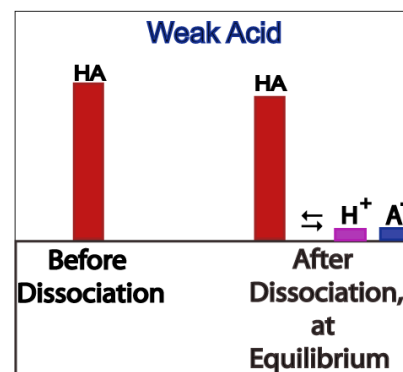
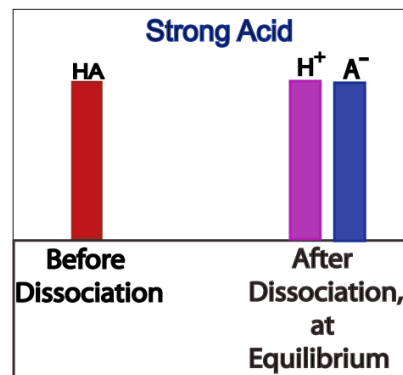
- Acids donate protons
- Bases accept protons

## Lewis

- Acids accept electron pairs
- Bases donate electron pairs



STRONG ACIDS			
Acid	Formula	Conj. Base	K <sub>a</sub>
Perchloric	HClO <sub>4</sub>	ClO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	Very large
Hydriodic	HI	I <sup>-</sup>	Very large
Hydrobromic	HBr	Br <sup>-</sup>	Very large
Hydrochloric	HCl	Cl <sup>-</sup>	Very large
Nitric	HNO <sub>3</sub>	NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	Very large
Sulfuric	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	HSO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	Very large
Hydronium ion	H <sub>3</sub> O <sup>+</sup>	H <sub>2</sub> O	1.0



COMMON WEAK ACIDS			
Acid	Formula	Conj. Base	K <sub>a</sub>
Iodic	HIO <sub>3</sub>	IO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	1.7 x 10 <sup>-1</sup>
Oxalic	H <sub>2</sub> C <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	HC <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	5.9 x 10 <sup>-2</sup>
Sulfurous	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>3</sub>	HSO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	1.5 x 10 <sup>-2</sup>
Phosphoric	H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	7.5 x 10 <sup>-3</sup>
Citric	H <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> O <sub>7</sub> <sup>-</sup>	7.1 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>
Nitrous	HNO <sub>2</sub>	NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	4.6 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>
Hydrofluoric	HF	F <sup>-</sup>	3.5 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>
Formic	HCOOH	HCOO <sup>-</sup>	1.8 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>
Benzoic	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> COOH	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> COO <sup>-</sup>	6.5 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>
Acetic	CH <sub>3</sub> COOH	CH <sub>3</sub> COO <sup>-</sup>	1.8 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>
Carbonic	H <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	4.3 x 10 <sup>-7</sup>
Hypochlorous	HOCl	OCl <sup>-</sup>	3.0 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
Hydrocyanic	HCN	CN <sup>-</sup>	4.9 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>

You can convert back and forth from K<sub>a</sub> to K<sub>b</sub> using this equation:

$$K_w = K_a \times K_b$$

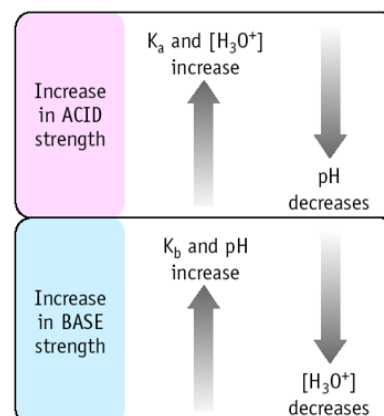
Strong Acid  $\xrightarrow{\text{makes a}}$  Weak Conj. Base  
Large K<sub>a</sub>                      Small K<sub>b</sub>

Weak Acid  $\xrightarrow{\text{makes a}}$  Strong Conj. Base  
Small K<sub>a</sub>                      Large K<sub>b</sub>

Strong Base  $\xrightarrow{\text{makes a}}$  Weak Conj. Acid  
Large K<sub>b</sub>                      Small K<sub>a</sub>

Weak Base  $\xrightarrow{\text{makes a}}$  Strong Conj. Acid  
Small K<sub>b</sub>                      Large K<sub>a</sub>

COMMON WEAK BASES			
Base	Formula	Conj. Acid	K <sub>b</sub>
Ammonia	NH <sub>3</sub>	NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	1.8 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>
Methylamine	CH <sub>3</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	4.38 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>
Ethylamine	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	5.6 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>
Diethylamine	(C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> NH	(C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> NH <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup>	1.3 x 10 <sup>-3</sup>
Triethylamine	(C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> N	(C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> NH <sup>+</sup>	4.0 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>
Hydroxylamine	HONH <sub>2</sub>	HONH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	1.1 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
Hydrazine	H <sub>2</sub> NNH <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> NNH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	3.0 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>
Aniline	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>	3.8 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
Pyridine	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>5</sub> N	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>5</sub> NH <sup>+</sup>	1.7 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>



## WEAK ACIDS AND BASES CALCULATIONS

- Dissociation is a reversible reaction!
- So use Equilibrium Expressions, K values, and Ice Tables to find [ ]'s before doing pH type calculations
- Equilibrium Expression still  $\frac{\text{Products}}{\text{Reactants}}$  which will be  $\frac{[\text{Dissociated Ions}]}{[\text{Undissociated Molecule}]}$
- To find pH (or pOH) of something you first have to know the  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$  (or  $[\text{OH}^-]$ )
  - For weak acids/bases you need to do the following steps to find those [ ]'s
    - Step 1 – ICE Table
    - Step 2 – Write a  $K_a$  expression (or  $K_b$  depending on the problem)
    - Step 3 – Solve for x using either quadratic or 5% rule
    - Step 4 – put x back into ICE Table to find the actual [ ] answers
    - Step 5 – use your  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$  (or  $[\text{OH}^-]$ ) to find the pH (or pOH)

## MONOPROTIC VS. POLYPROTIC – HOW MANY IONS COME OFF?

- Monoprotic acids/bases → only have one  $\text{H}^+$  or  $\text{OH}^-$
- Diprotic acids/bases → have two  $\text{H}^+$  or  $\text{OH}^-$
- Triprotic acids/bases → have three  $\text{H}^+$  or  $\text{OH}^-$

- Strong Bases

- all  $\text{OH}^-$  come off
  - Take that into account with your stoichiometry when finding the  $[\text{OH}^-]$ 
    - 1 M  $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2 = 2 \text{ M}$  of  $\text{OH}^-$  ions

- Strong Acids

- The first  $\text{H}^+$  comes off and it would be a normal strong acid type pH calculation
  - No  $K_a$  value needed
  - No ICE Table needed.
- The second/third/etc  $\text{H}^+$  might come off BUT
  - That would be a weak reaction and you would need:
    - $K_a$  value for that second  $\text{H}^+$  coming off
    - Would need to do an ICE table
    - Then add the  $[\text{H}^+]$  from the ICE Table calculation to the  $[\text{H}^+]$  you found from the first  $\text{H}^+$  coming off.
- Example:  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{HSO}_4^-$   
Only assume one  $\text{H}^+$  comes off unless given  $K_a$  value for  $\text{HSO}_4^- \rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{SO}_4^{2-}$

- Weak Acids/Bases

- For the given  $K_a$  or  $K_b$  value assume only one  $\text{H}^+/\text{OH}^-$  comes off.
- You would need a second  $K_a$  or  $K_b$  value to do a second ICE Table for the second  $\text{H}^+/\text{OH}^-$  coming off, and then would need to add your [ ]'s from each ICE Table calculation.