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Volumetric Analysis	Objectives
2. Acids and Bases	-relate the properties of acids and bases to their household applications -recall that neutralisation is the formation of a salt from an acid and a base -relate their knowledge of neutralisation to everyday examples e.g. use of lime in agriculture , use of stomach powders -state the Arrhenius and Brønsted-Lowry theories of acids and bases -define what is meant by a conjugate acid/base pair -apply the Arrhenius and Brønsted-Lowry theories of acids and bases for aqueous solutions only

ARRHENIUS THEORY

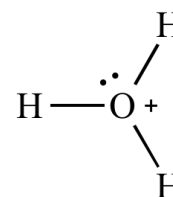
Defⁿ: An **Arrhenius acid** is a substance that dissociates in water to produce H^+ ions.



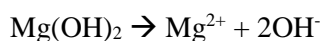
Strong Arrhenius acids dissociate *fully* in water. e.g. HCl

Weak Arrhenius acids dissociate *partially* in water. e.g. Ethanoic acid, CH_3COOH

Note: H^+ ions (which are just protons) cannot exist on their own in water. They bond with a water molecule to form a **hydronium ion, H_3O^+** , as seen in the picture to the right.



Defⁿ: An **Arrhenius base** is a substance that dissociates in water to produce OH^- ions.



Strong Arrhenius bases dissociate *fully* in water. e.g. NaOH

Weak Arrhenius bases dissociate *partially* in water. e.g. Na_2CO_3

Note: Arrhenius's theory of acids and bases is limited to solutions dissolved in water. In reality, not all acid-base reactions need water, or even involve OH^- ions. Today, we have a more modern theory for how acids and bases work.

BRØNSTED-LOWRY THEORY

Defⁿ: A **Brønsted-Lowry acid** is a proton (H^+) *donor*



HCl *donated* a proton to the NH_3 and became Cl^- . HCl is a Brønsted-Lowry acid

Strong Brønsted-Lowry acids are *good* proton donors.

e.g. HCl, H₂SO₄, HNO₃

Weak Brønsted-Lowry acids are *poor* proton donors.

e.g. CH₃COOH

Defⁿ: A **Brønsted-Lowry base** is a proton (H⁺) *acceptor*



NH₃ *accepted* a proton from the HCl and became NH₄⁺. NH₃ is a Brønsted-Lowry base

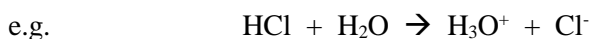
Strong Brønsted-Lowry bases are *good* proton acceptors.

e.g. NaOH, KOH, Ca(OH)₂

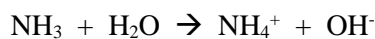
Weak Brønsted-Lowry bases are *poor* proton acceptors.

e.g. NH₃

Some substances can act as both an acid and a base in Brønsted-Lowry theory, depending on what they react with.



H₂O accepts proton → base



H₂O donated proton → acid

Substances which can act like this are called **amphoteric**.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ARRHENIUS AND BRØNSTED-LOWRY THEORY

ARRHENIUS THEORY	BRØNSTED-LOWRY THEORY
Limited to reactions in water	Not limited to reactions in water
Limited to bases that produce OH ⁻ ions	Not limited to bases that produce OH ⁻ ions
Does not take the existence of hydronium ions into account	Takes the existence of hydronium ions into account
Cannot explain substances that act as both an acid and a base	Can explain substances that act as both an acid and a base

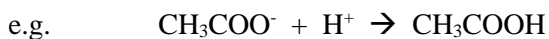
CONJUGATE ACID-BASE PAIRS

Defⁿ: An acid changes into its **conjugate base** when it donates a proton.



acid conj. base

Defⁿ: A base changes into its **conjugate acid** when it accepts a proton.



base conj. acid

Every acid has a conjugate base.
Every base has a conjugate acid
We call these pairs **conjugate acid-base pairs**.

Defⁿ: A **conjugate acid-base pair** is any pair of substances that differ by a proton



acid base base acid

Conjugate Conjugate
acid-base acid-base
pair pair

NEUTRALISATION

A **salt** is the substance formed when the H^+ from an acid is replaced with a metal or ammonium (NH_4^+) ion.

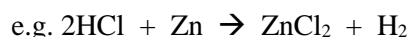
e.g. when the H^+ in HCl is replaced with sodium, we form the salt NaCl, sodium chloride.

when the H^+ in HCl is replaced with ammonium, we form the salt NH_4Cl , ammonium chloride.

Defⁿ: **Neutralisation** is the reaction between an acid and a base to form a salt and water.

Types of neutralisation reactions:

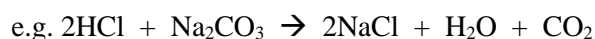
1. Acid + Metal \rightarrow Salt + Hydrogen



2. Acid + Base \rightarrow Salt + Water



3. Acid + Carbonate \rightarrow Salt + Water + Carbon Dioxide



Examples of neutralisation in everyday life:

1. **Medicine:**

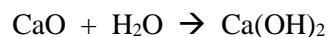
Excess HCl in the stomach causes heartburn.

Gaviscon contains sodium hydrogencarbonate (a base) to neutralise the acid.

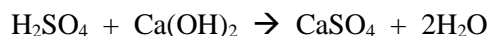


2. **Agriculture:**

If soil is too acidic, lime (CaO, calcium oxide) is added to neutralise the acidity.



Lime and water make calcium hydroxide, a base. This base reacts with the acid in the soil.



3. **Environmental Protection:**

Some areas receive high amounts of acid rain, making lakes very acidic. Limestone is added to these lakes to neutralise the acid.

