

# Lecture Presentation

## Chapter 15 Aqueous Equilibria: Acids and Bases

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# Acid-Base Concepts: The Brønsted-Lowry Theory

**Arrhenius Acid:** dissociates in water to produce hydrogen ions,  $H^+$



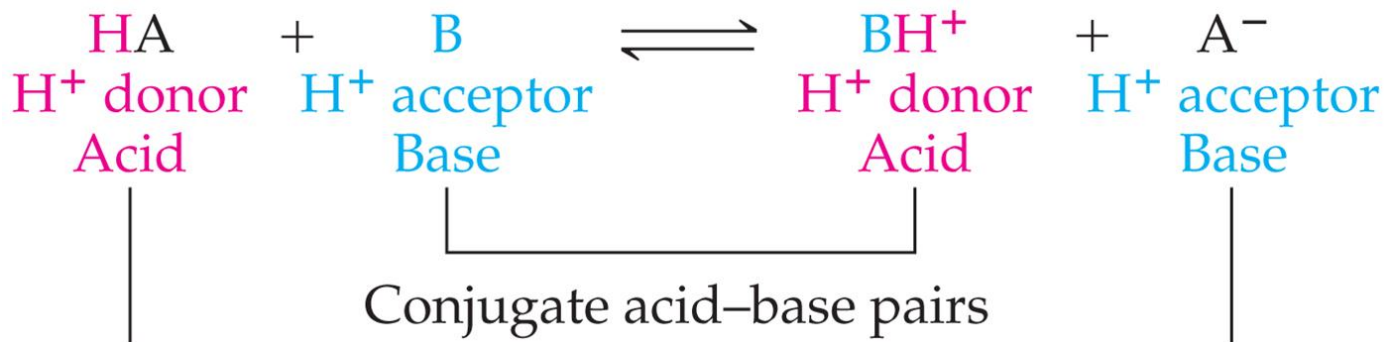
**Arrhenius Base:** dissociates in water to produce hydroxide ions,  $OH^-$



# Acid-Base Concepts: The Brønsted-Lowry Theory

**Brønsted-Lowry Acid:** can transfer hydrogen ions,  $H^+$ .  
In other words, a **proton donor**

**Brønsted-Lowry Base:** can accept hydrogen ions,  $H^+$ .  
In other words, a **proton acceptor**

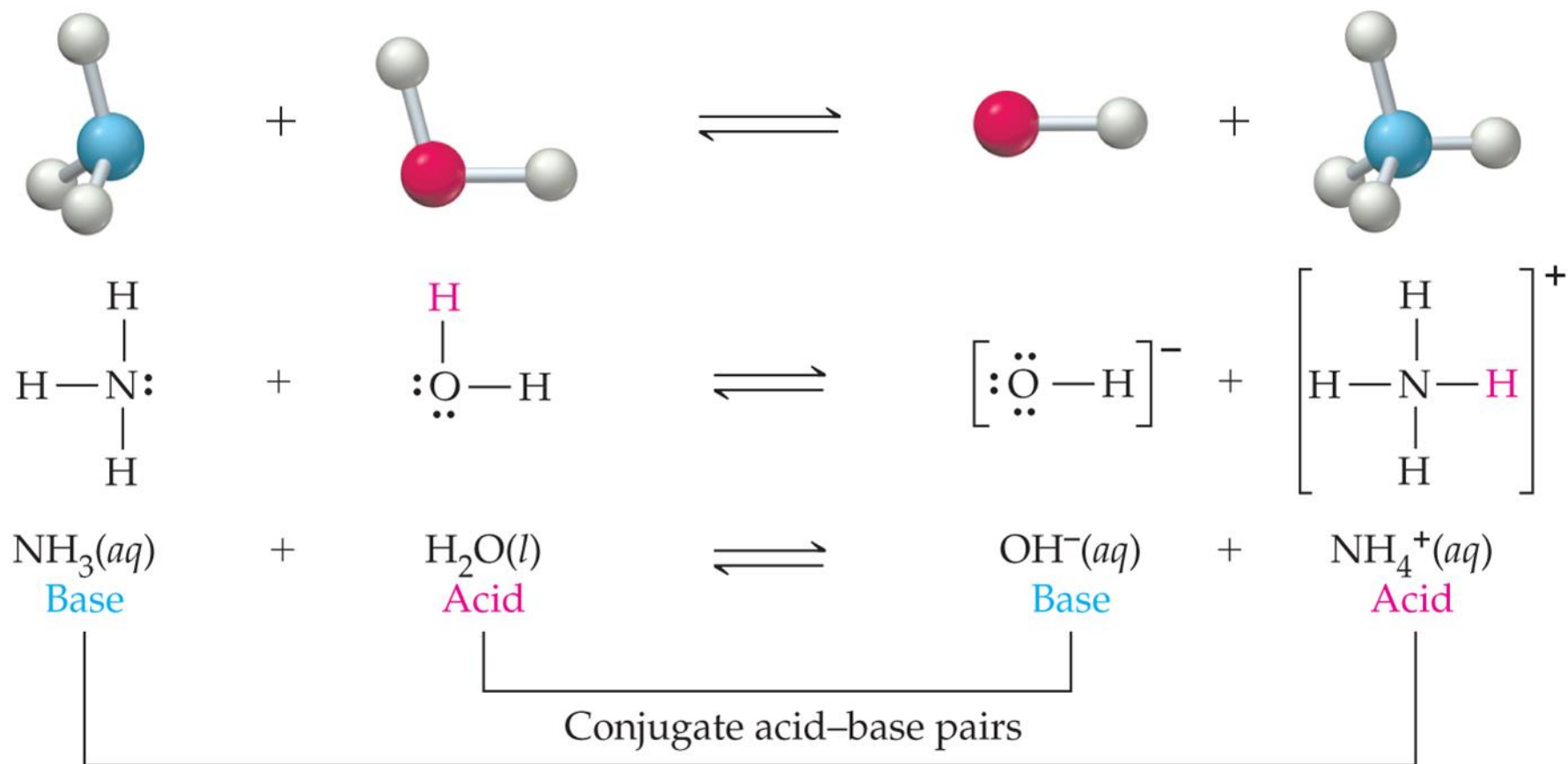


**Conjugate Acid-Base Pairs:** Chemical species whose formulas differ only by one hydrogen ion,  $H^+$



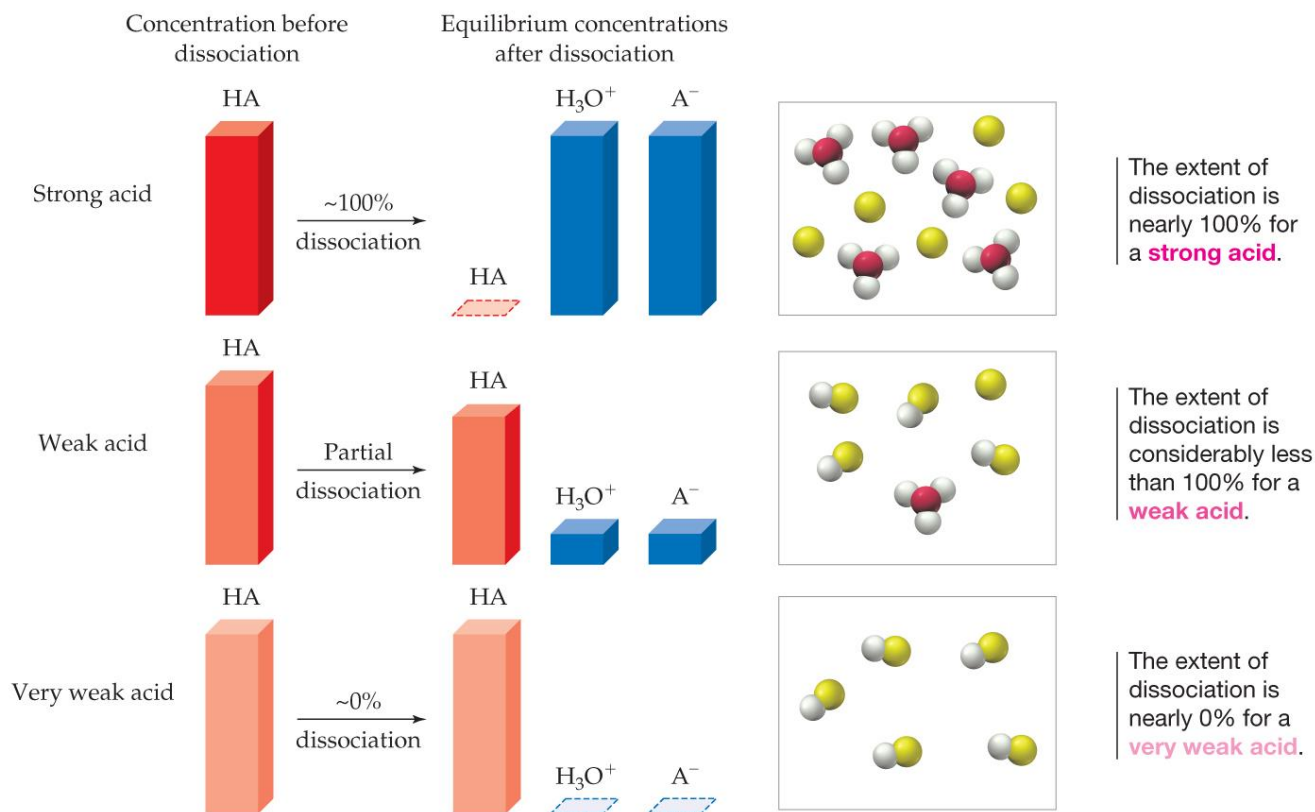
# Acid-Base Concepts: The Brønsted-Lowry Theory (proton donor / acceptor)

## Base-Dissociation Equilibrium



# Acid Strength and Base Strength

**Weak Acid:** An acid that is only **partially dissociated** in water and is thus a weak electrolyte



# Acid Strength and Base Strength

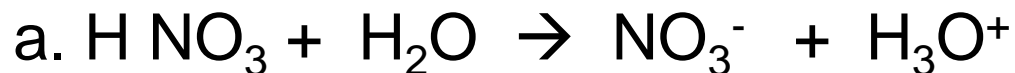
Should know strong & weak acids circled.

**TABLE 15.1** Relative Strengths of Conjugate Acid–Base Pairs

	Acid, HA		Base, A <sup>-</sup>		
Stronger acid ↑ Weaker acid	HClO <sub>4</sub>	} <b>Strong acids:</b> 100% dissociated in aqueous solution.	ClO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	} <b>Very weak bases:</b> Negligible tendency to be protonated in aqueous solution.	
	HCl		Cl <sup>-</sup>		
	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>		HSO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>		
		HNO <sub>3</sub>		NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	
		H <sub>3</sub> O <sup>+</sup>		H <sub>2</sub> O	
		HSO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>		SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	
		H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	} <b>Weak acids:</b> Exist in solution as a mixture of HA, A <sup>-</sup> , and H <sub>3</sub> O <sup>+</sup> .	H <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	} <b>Weak bases:</b> Moderate tendency to be protonated in aqueous solution.
		HNO <sub>2</sub>		NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	
		HF		F <sup>-</sup>	
		CH <sub>3</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> H		CH <sub>3</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	
	H <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			
	H <sub>2</sub> S	HS <sup>-</sup>			
	NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub>			
	HCN	CN <sup>-</sup>			
	HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup>			
	H <sub>2</sub> O		OH <sup>-</sup>		
	NH <sub>3</sub>	} <b>Very weak acids:</b> Negligible tendency to dissociate.	NH <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	} <b>Strong bases:</b> 100% protonated in aqueous solution.	
	OH <sup>-</sup>		O <sup>2-</sup>		
	H <sub>2</sub>		H <sup>-</sup>		
				Stronger base ↓	

## HW 15.1: Acid-Base Concepts: Arrhenius & Brønsted-Lowry Theory (conjugate acid/base)

Given the following equation of acid/base dissociation. Give the Acid/Conjugate Base, Base/Conjugate Acid pairs.



Acid \_\_\_\_\_ Conjugate Base \_\_\_\_\_  
Base \_\_\_\_\_ Conjugate Acid \_\_\_\_\_



Base \_\_\_\_\_ Conjugate Acid \_\_\_\_\_  
Acid \_\_\_\_\_ Conjugate Base \_\_\_\_\_



Acid \_\_\_\_\_ Conjugate Base \_\_\_\_\_  
Base \_\_\_\_\_ Conjugate Acid \_\_\_\_\_

Do this HW by emailing the answer in the text of your email instead of taking a photo of your answer on paper.



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Acid  $\text{HNO}_3$  Conjugate Base  $\text{NO}_3^-$

Base  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  Conjugate Acid  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$



Base  $\text{NH}_3$  Conjugate Acid  $\text{NH}_4^+$

Acid  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  Conjugate Base  $\text{OH}^-$

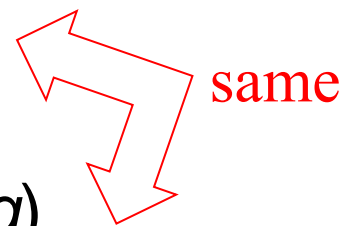
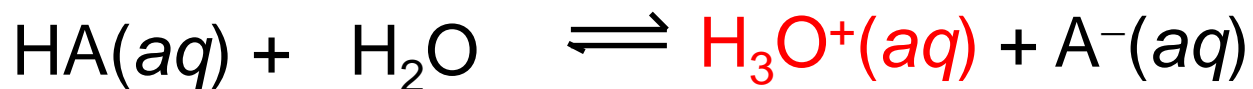


Acid  $\text{HNO}_3$  Conjugate Base  $\text{NO}_3^-$

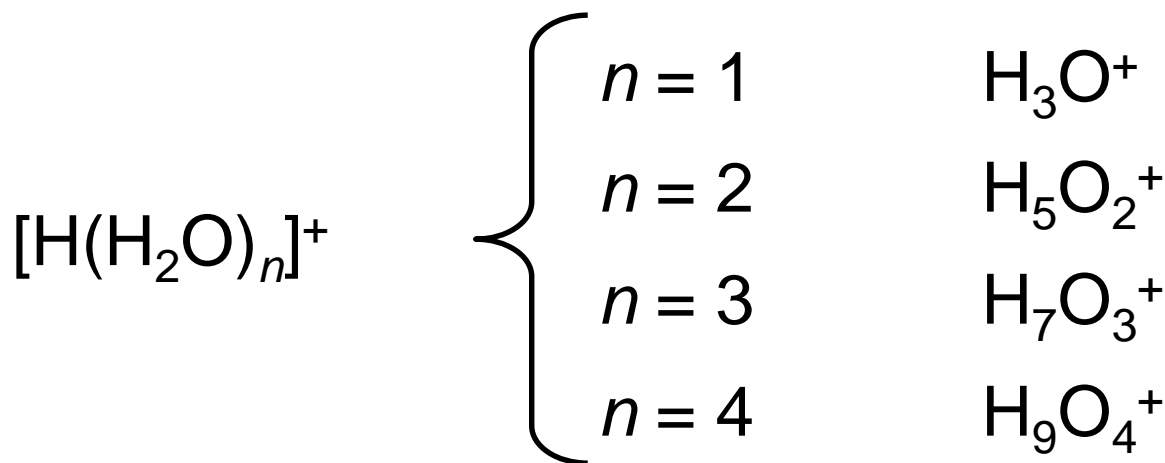
Base  $\text{NaOH}$  Conjugate Acid  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$

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# Hydrated Protons and Hydronium Ions



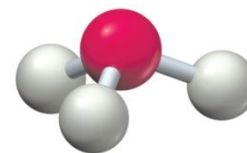
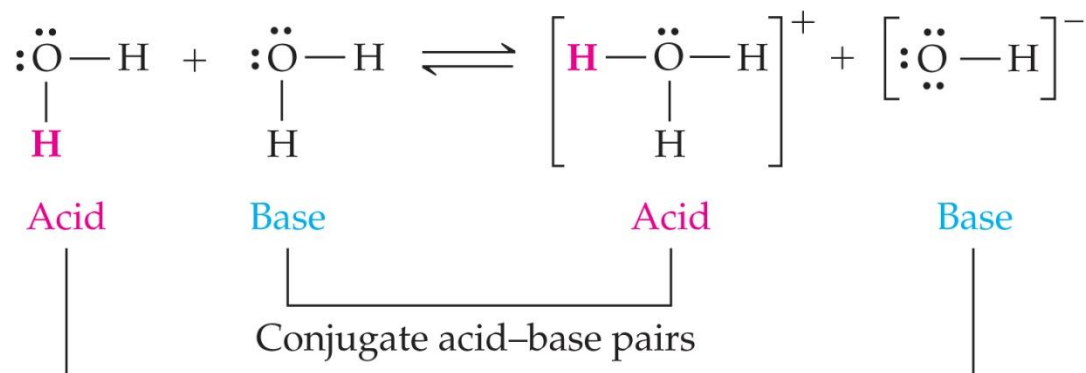
Due to high reactivity of the hydrogen ion, it is actually hydrated by one or more water molecules.



For our purposes, **H<sup>+</sup> is equivalent to H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>.**

# Dissociation of Water

$K_w$  equilibrium is present for water with acid or base added.



The hydronium ion,  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$

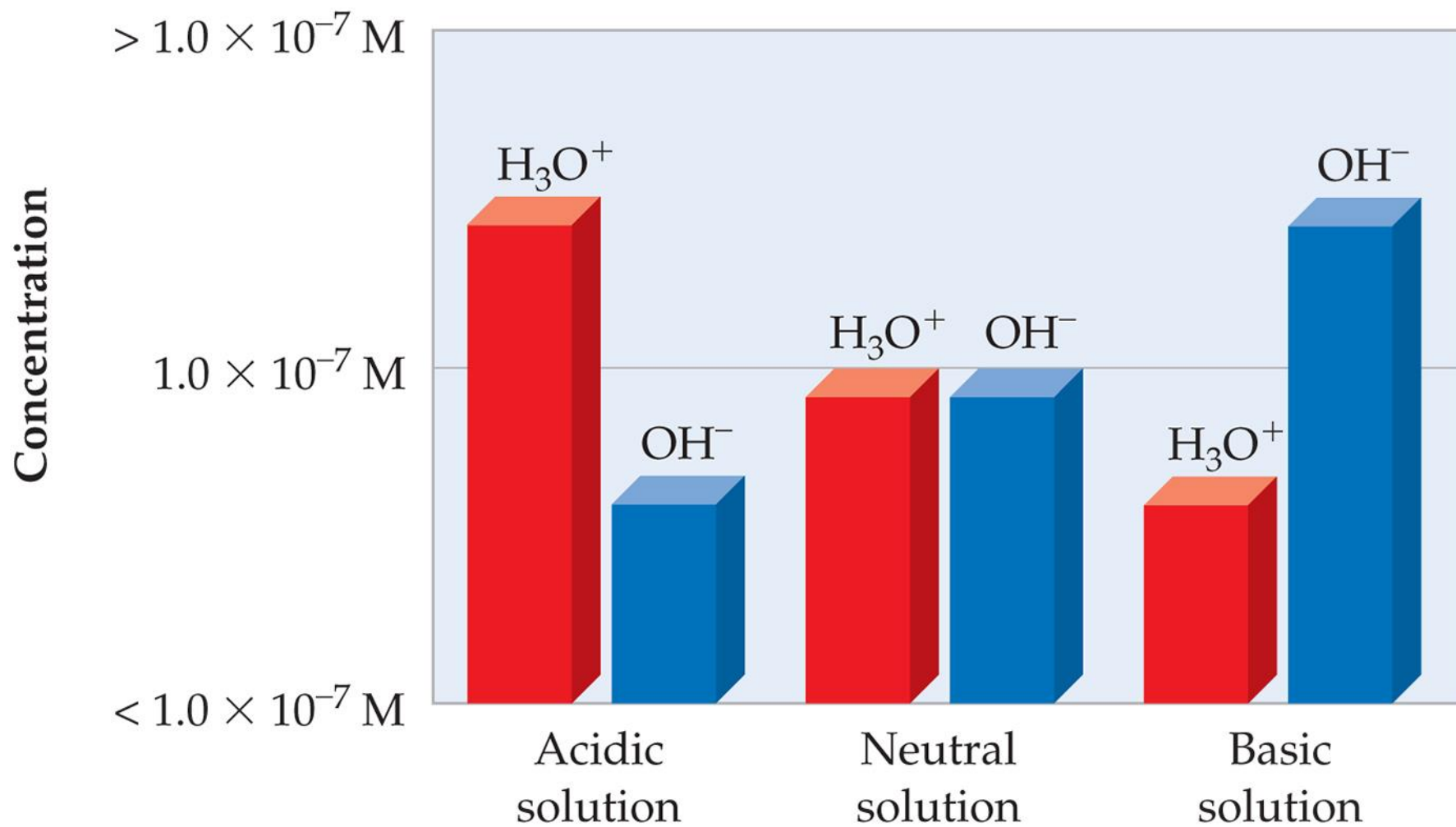


**Ion-Product Constant for Water:**  $K_w = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-]$

at 25 °C:  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = [\text{OH}^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ M}$

$$K_w = (1.0 \times 10^{-7})(1.0 \times 10^{-7}) = 1.0 \times 10^{-14}$$

# Dissociation of Water



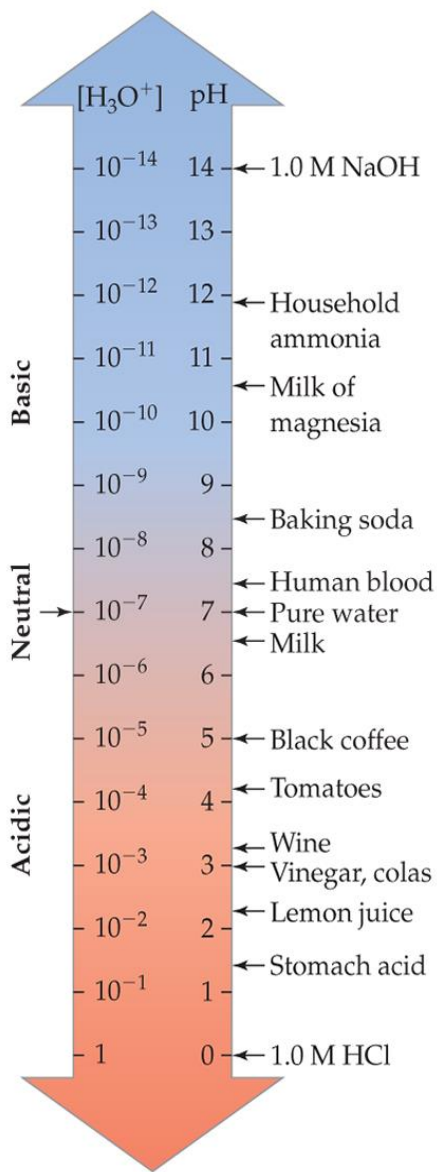
# Dissociation of Water

Acidic:  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] > [\text{OH}^-]$

Neutral:  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = [\text{OH}^-]$

Basic:  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] < [\text{OH}^-]$

# The pH Scale



$$pH = -\log[H_3O^+] \quad [H_3O^+] = 10^{-pH}$$

antilog

**Acidic:**  $pH < 7$

**Neutral:**  $pH = 7$

**Basic:**  $pH > 7$

# Dissociation of Water

$$K_w = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{OH}^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-14}$$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-14}}{[\text{OH}^-]}$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-14}}{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]}$$

$p(\text{anything}) = -\log(\text{anything})$

$$pK_w = \text{pH} + \text{pOH} = 14$$

$$\text{pH} = 14 - \text{pOH}$$

$$\text{pOH} = 14 - \text{pH}$$

# The pH Scale

The hydronium ion concentration for lemon juice is approximately 0.0025 M. What is the pH when  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 0.0025 \text{ M}$ ?

$$\text{pH} = -\log(0.0025) = 2.60$$

2 significant figures

2 decimal places



# The pH Scale

Calculate the pH of an aqueous ammonia solution that has an  $\text{OH}^-$  concentration of 0.0019 M.

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-14}}{[\text{OH}^{1-}]} = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-14}}{0.0019} = 5.3 \times 10^{-12} \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log(5.3 \times 10^{-12}) = 11.28$$

**OR**  $\text{pOH} = -\log(0.0019) = -(-2.72)$

$$\text{pK}_w = 14 = \text{pH} + \text{pOH} \quad (14 \text{ has infinite sig fig})$$

$$14 = \text{pH} + 2.72$$

$$\text{pH} = 11.28$$

# The pH Scale

Acid rain is a matter of serious concern because most species of fish die in waters having a pH lower than 4.5–5.0. Calculate  $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$  in a lake that has a pH of 4.5.

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 10^{-4.5} = 3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = 4.5 = -\log [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$$

$$-4.5 = \log [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \text{antilog} (-4.5)$$

antilog =  $10^x$  in most calculators

# The pH Scale Equations

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

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

$$\text{p}K_w = -\log K_w$$

$$K_w = [\text{H}^+] [\text{OH}^-] = 1 \times 10^{-14}$$

$$\text{p}K_w = \text{pH} + \text{pOH} = 14$$

## HW 15.2: The pH Scale

(a) What is the pH of a solution of  $[H^+] = 2.3 \times 10^{-2}$

$$pH = -\log [H^+]$$

(b) What is the pOH of a solution of  $[OH^-] = 7.7 \times 10^{-3}$

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

(c) What is the pH of the solution in (b) above ?

$$pH + pOH = 14$$

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(d) What is the  $[H^+]$  of the solution in (c) above ?

$$[H^+] = \text{antilog} (-pH)$$

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## HW 15.2: The pH Scale

(a) What is the pH of a solution of  $[H^+] = 2.3 \times 10^{-2}$

$$pH = -\log [H^+] = -\log(2.3 \times 10^{-2}) = -(-1.638) = 1.64$$

(b) What is the pOH of a solution of  $[OH^-] = 7.7 \times 10^{-3}$

$$pOH = -\log [OH^-] = -\log(7.7 \times 10^{-3}) = -(-2.11) = 2.11$$

(c) What is the pH of the solution in (b) above ?

$$pH + pOH = 14 \quad pH + 2.11 = 14 \quad pH = 11.9$$

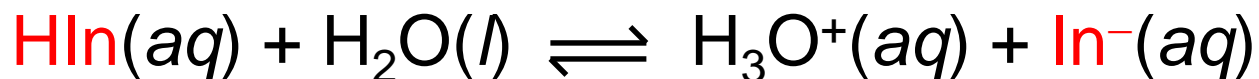
(d) What is the  $[H^+]$  of the solution in (c) above ?

$$[H^+] = \text{antilog} (-pH) = \text{antilog} (-11.9) = 1.26 \times 10^{-12}$$

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# Measuring pH

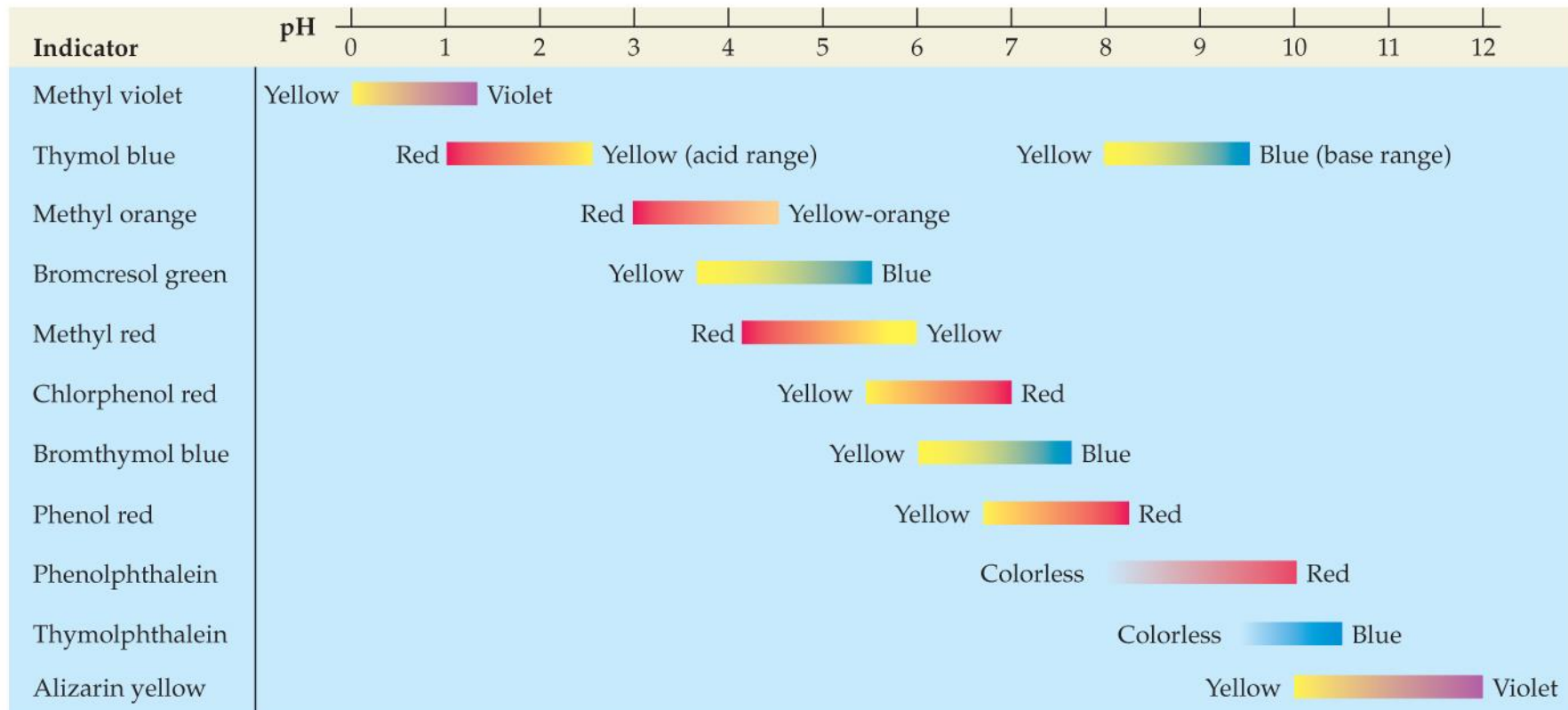
**Acid–Base Indicator:** A substance that **changes color in a specific pH range**. Indicators exhibit pH-dependent color changes because they are weak acids and have different colors in their acid ( $\text{HIn}$ ) and conjugate base ( $\text{In}^-$ ) forms.



Color A

Color B

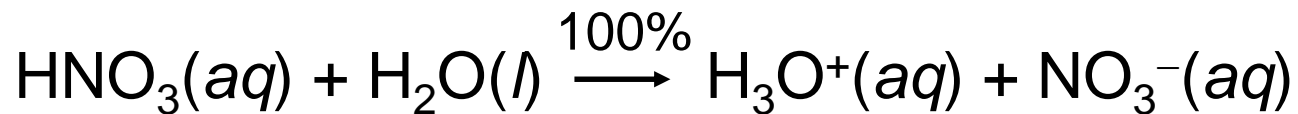
# Measuring pH



# The pH in Solutions of Strong Acids and Strong Bases

Just use concentration of strong acid or base bc dissociates completely.

What is the pH of a 0.025 M solution of HNO<sub>3</sub>?



Since HNO<sub>3</sub> is a strong acid, [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>] = [HNO<sub>3</sub>].

$$\text{pH} = -\log([\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]) = -\log(0.025) = \boxed{1.60}$$



# The pH in Solutions of Strong Acids and Strong Bases

Just use concentration of strong acid or base bc dissociates completely.

What is the pH of a 0.025 M solution of NaOH?



Since NaOH is a strong base,  $[\text{OH}^-] = [\text{NaOH}]$ .

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-14}}{[\text{OH}^-]} = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-14}}{0.025} = 4.0 \times 10^{-13} \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log([\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]) = -\log(4.0 \times 10^{-13}) = \boxed{12.40}$$

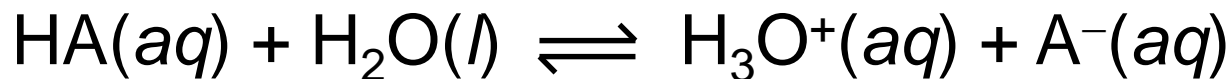
# HW 15.3: The pH in Solutions of Strong Acids and Strong Bases

Just use concentration of strong acid or base bc dissociates completely.

- a. What is the pH of a 0.025 M solution of HCl ?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- b. What is the pH of a solution of 0.150 M solution of NaOH ?

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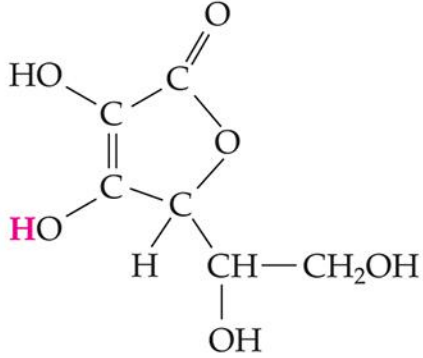
# Equilibria in Solutions of Weak Acids



**Acid-Dissociation Constant:**  $K_a = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]}$

For Weak Acids and Weak Bases –  
MUST USE  $K_a / K_b$

**TABLE 15.2** Acid-Dissociation Constants at 25 °C

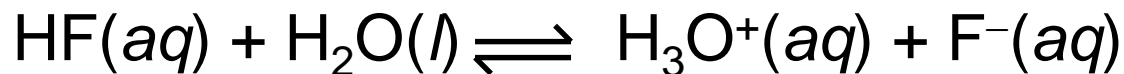
	Acid	Molecular Formula	Structural Formula*	$K_a$	$pK_a^\dagger$
Stronger acid	Hydrochloric	HCl	$\text{H}-\text{Cl}$	$2 \times 10^6$	-6.3
	Nitrous	$\text{HNO}_2$	$\text{H}-\text{O}-\text{N}=\text{O}$	$4.5 \times 10^{-4}$	3.35
↑	Hydrofluoric	HF	$\text{H}-\text{F}$	$3.5 \times 10^{-4}$	3.46
	Formic	$\text{HCO}_2\text{H}$	$\text{H}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{O}-\text{H}$	$1.8 \times 10^{-4}$	3.74
	Ascorbic (vitamin C)	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_8\text{O}_6$		$8.0 \times 10^{-5}$	4.10
	Acetic	$\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	$\text{CH}_3-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{O}-\text{H}$	$1.8 \times 10^{-5}$	4.74
	Hypochlorous	HOCl	$\text{H}-\text{O}-\text{Cl}$	$3.5 \times 10^{-8}$	7.46
	Hydrocyanic	HCN	$\text{H}-\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$	$4.9 \times 10^{-10}$	9.31
Weaker acid	Methanol	$\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$	$\text{CH}_3-\text{O}-\text{H}$	$2.9 \times 10^{-16}$	15.54

\* The proton that is transferred to water when the acid dissociates is shown in red.

$^\dagger pK_a = -\log K_a$ .

# Equilibria in Solutions of Weak Acids

The pH of 0.250 M HF is 2.036. What are the values of  $K_a$  and  $pK_a$  for hydrofluoric acid?



0.250		$\approx 0$	0
$-x$		$+x$	$+x$
$0.250 - x$		$x$	$x$

$$x = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 10^{-2.036} = 0.00920 \text{ M}$$

# Equilibria in Solutions of Weak Acids

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

$$[\text{F}^-] = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 0.00920 \text{ M}$$

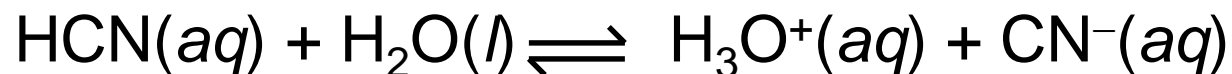
$$[\text{HF}] = 0.250 - x = 0.250 - 0.00920 = 0.241 \text{ M}$$

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{F}^-]}{[\text{HF}]} = \frac{(0.00920)(0.00920)}{0.241} = 3.51 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\text{p}K_a = -\log(K_a) = -\log(3.51 \times 10^{-4}) = 3.455$$

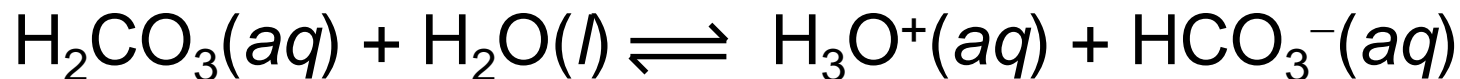
## HW 15.4: Calculating Equilibrium Concentrations of Weak Acids

Calculate the pH of a 0.10 M HCN solution. At 25 °C,  $K_a = 4.9 \times 10^{-10}$ .

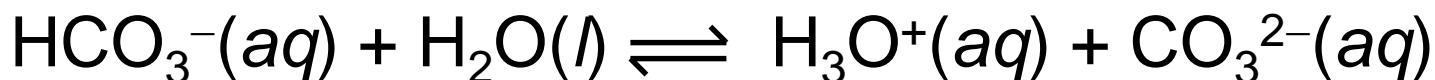



$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{CN}^-]}{[\text{HCN}]}$$

# Polyprotic Acids – omit section 15.11



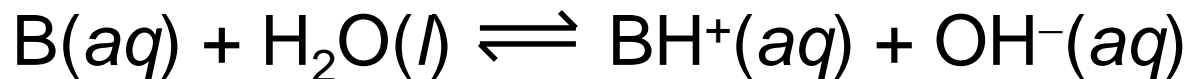
$$K_{a1} = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{HCO}_3^-]}{[\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3]} = 4.3 \times 10^{-7}$$



$$K_{a2} = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{CO}_3^{2-}]}{[\text{HCO}_3^-]} = 5.6 \times 10^{-11}$$

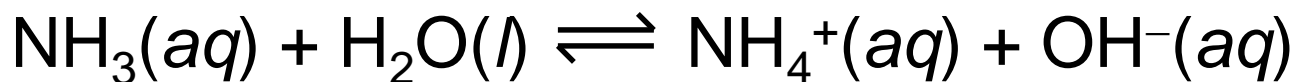


# Equilibria in Solutions of Weak Bases



Base      Acid                  Acid                  Base

**Base-Dissociation Constant:**  $K_b = \frac{[BH^+][OH^-]}{[B]}$



$$K_b = \frac{[NH_4^+][OH^-]}{[NH_3]}$$

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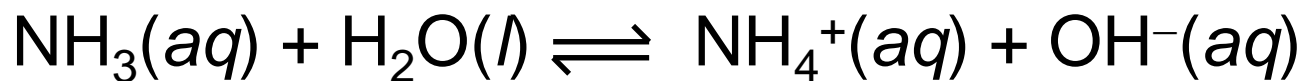
# Equilibria in Solutions of Weak Bases

**TABLE 15.4**  $K_b$  Values for Some Weak Bases and  $K_a$  Values for Their Conjugate Acids at 25°C

Base	Formula, B	$K_b$	Conjugate Acid, $BH^+$	$K_a$
Ammonia	$NH_3$	$1.8 \times 10^{-5}$	$NH_4^+$	$5.6 \times 10^{-10}$
Aniline	$C_6H_5NH_2$	$4.3 \times 10^{-10}$	$C_6H_5NH_3^+$	$2.3 \times 10^{-5}$
Dimethylamine	$(CH_3)_2NH$	$5.4 \times 10^{-4}$	$(CH_3)_2NH_2^+$	$1.9 \times 10^{-11}$
Hydrazine	$N_2H_4$	$8.9 \times 10^{-7}$	$N_2H_5^+$	$1.1 \times 10^{-8}$
Hydroxylamine	$NH_2OH$	$9.1 \times 10^{-9}$	$NH_3OH^+$	$1.1 \times 10^{-6}$
Methylamine	$CH_3NH_2$	$3.7 \times 10^{-4}$	$CH_3NH_3^+$	$2.7 \times 10^{-11}$

# Equilibria in Solutions of Weak Bases

Calculate the pH of a 0.40 M  $\text{NH}_3$  solution. At 25 °C,  $K_b = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$ .



0.40		0	$\approx 0$
$-x$		$+x$	$+x$
$0.40 - x$		$x$	$x$

$$K_b = \frac{[\text{NH}_4^+][\text{OH}^-]}{[\text{NH}_3]}$$

# Equilibria in Solutions of Weak Bases

$$1.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{(x)(x)}{(0.40 - x)} \approx \frac{x^2}{0.40}$$

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$$x = [\text{OH}^-] = 0.0027 \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-14}}{0.0027} = 3.7 \times 10^{-12} \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log([\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]) = -\log(3.7 \times 10^{-12}) = \boxed{11.43}$$