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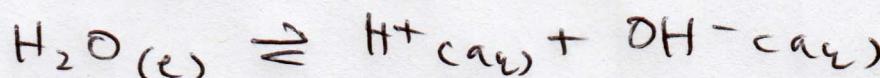
## Arrhenius Acids & Bases

Acid - dissociates to produce  $\text{H}^+$

Base - dissociates to produce  $\text{OH}^-$

based on water

Auto-ionization of water



"If equilibrium can happen,  
it will happen"

Bond dissociation energy

fraction of molecules with  
enough energy to dissociate

$$K_w = [\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-14} \text{ M}^2$$

\* Only true at  
one temperature

$$\text{pH} \equiv -\log_{10}[\text{H}^+] \quad \text{In pure water at the right}$$

temperature,  $[\text{H}^+] = [\text{OH}^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ M}$

$$\text{pH} = -\log_{10}(1.0 \times 10^{-7}) = 7 \rightarrow \text{neutral}$$

Neutral: equal concentration of  $[\text{H}^+]$  and  $[\text{OH}^-]$

**NOT** equal concentration of acid + base

pH = 7 is only neutral at one temperature since  
the value of  $K_w$  changes with temperature.

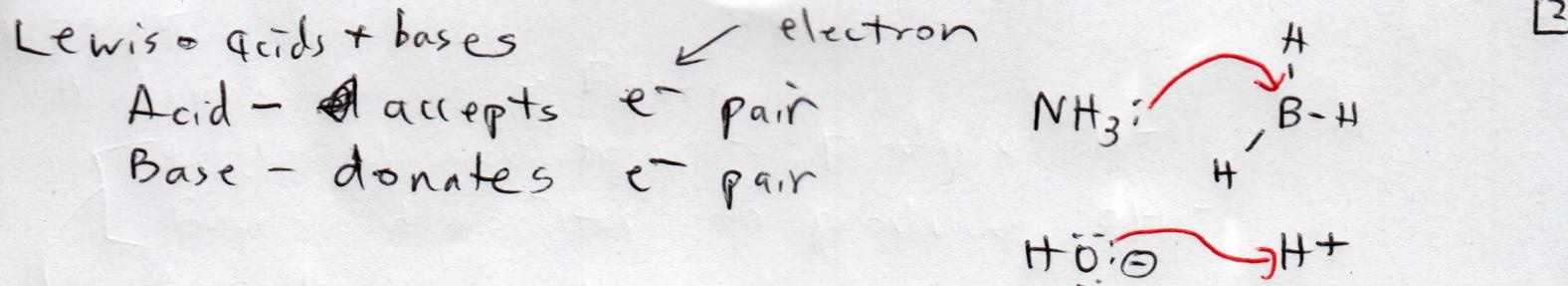
## Bronsted-Lowry acids + bases

Acid - donates  $\text{H}^+$  — proton

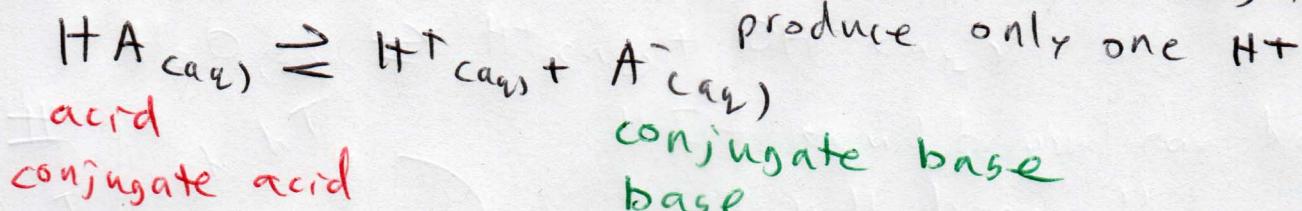
Base - accepts  $\text{H}^+$

$\text{NH}_3$  is a Bronsted-Lowry base but not an Arrhenius  
base (does not dissociate to produce  $\text{OH}^-$ )

All Bronsted-Lowry acids are Arrhenius acids and  
vice versa.



$K_a$

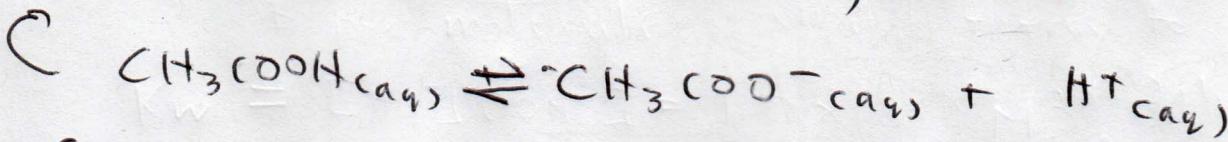


$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]} \quad \leftarrow \text{Acid dissociation constant}$$

$$K_a = 1.76 \times 10^{-5}$$

$K \gg 1, \Delta G < 0 \rightarrow \text{Strong acid}$

$K \ll 1, \Delta G > 0 \rightarrow \text{Weak acid}$



Given a 1.0M aqueous soln of acetic acid,  
calculate pH,

I  
C  
E

1.0	0
$-x$	$+x$
$1.0-x$	$x$

$10^{-7}$  → Assumed to be zero if acid is strong enough or concentrated enough

$$K_a = \frac{(x)(x)}{1-x} = 1.76 \times 10^{-5}$$

if  $x$  is small enough it can be ignored

$$K_a \approx \frac{x^2}{1} = 1.76 \times 10^{-5} \Rightarrow x = 4.20 \times 10^{-3}$$

since  $x$  is < 1% of the concentration of the acid, it was acceptable to ignore  $x$  in the denominator,

$$\text{pH} = -\log_{10}(4.20 \times 10^{-3}) = 2.38$$

Given 50 mL of 0.2M acetic acid and 10mL of 0.4M sodium hydroxide, calculate pH.  
 The approach taken for the neutralization of ~~a~~ a weak acid with a strong base is to assume the two completely react then reacheive equilibrium.

$$\text{acetic acid} : 0.050 \text{ L} \times 0.2 \text{ M} = 0.010 \text{ mol acetic acid}$$

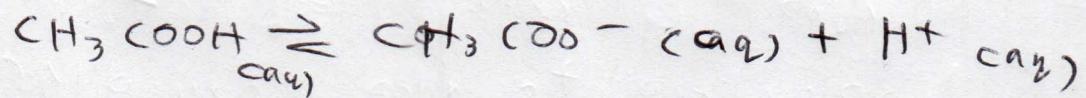
$$\text{NaOH} : 0.010 \text{ L} \times 0.4 \text{ M} = 0.004 \text{ mol NaOH}$$

$$\text{acid left} : 0.010 \text{ mol} - 0.004 \text{ mol} = 0.006 \text{ mol}$$

acetate produced = mole NaOH used = 0.004 mol

$$[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}]_i = \frac{0.006 \text{ mol}}{\text{total soln volume}} = 0.1 \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-]_i = 0.004 \text{ mol} / 0.060 \text{ L} = 0.066 \text{ M}$$



I	0.1 M	0.066 M	0
C	-x	+x	+x
E	<u>1-x</u>	<u>0.066+x</u>	<u>x</u>

$$K_a = \frac{(x)(0.066+x)}{1-x} = 1.76 \times 10^{-5} \quad x =$$

$$\text{pH} =$$

