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Zero-Order	First-Order	Second-Order
$[A]_t = -kt + [A]_0$	$ \ln\left[A\right] = -kt + \ln\left[A\right]_0 $	$\frac{1}{[A]} = kt + \frac{1}{[A]_0}$
$k = Ae^{-E_a/(RT)}$	$\ln(k) = \frac{-E_a}{R} \frac{1}{T} + \ln(A)$	$\ln \frac{k_2}{k_1} = \frac{E_a}{R} \left( \frac{1}{T_1} - \frac{1}{T_2} \right)$

$R = 8.314 \frac{J}{mol \bullet K}$	760 mm Hg = 760 torr = 1 atm	
M = mol/L	$\Delta T_f = imk_f$	$\Delta T_b = imk_b$
m = mol/kg	$k_f (H_2O) = 1.86  ^{\circ}C/m$	$k_b(H_2O) = 0.512 ^{\circ}C/m$
	$\Pi V = nRT$	
For SC: $l=2r$	For BCC: $l = 4r/\sqrt{3}$	For FCC: $l = 4r/\sqrt{2}$
$1 \text{ m} = 1 \times 10^{12} \text{ pm}$	1 m = 100 cm	

## Solubility Rules for Ionic Compounds

Rule 1: All nitrates, acetates, Group 1A metal salts and ammonium salts are soluble. Rule 2: Carbonates. hvdroxides. phosphates and sulfides are nearly always insoluble. Rule 3: Chlorides, bromides and iodides are always soluble except with Ag<sup>1</sup> and Pb<sup>2</sup>.

Rule 4: Rule 1 always takes precedence.

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acetone 58.1 -95.1 96.7	7 56,1	520	2,26	2,20	1.46
benzene 78.1 5.41 128	80.1	394	1.20	1.90	1.17
elhanol 46,1 -112 100	78.3	852	0.96	2,10	1.71
n-octane 114 -57,0 182	126	339	1.30	2,40	1.30
water 18.0 0.00 334	100	2260	2.09	4,18	1.38

### The Periodic Table of the Elements

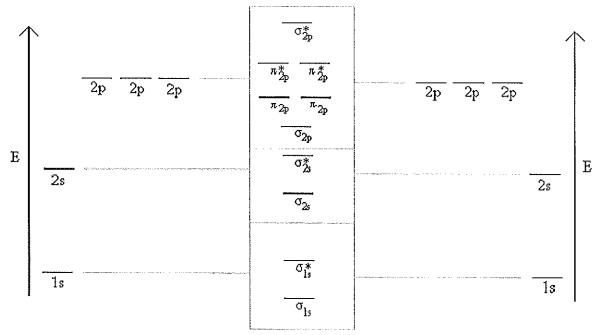
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$K_a[CH_3COOH (aq)] = 1.80 \times 10^{-5}$	$K_a[C_6H_5COOH (aq)] = 6.30 \times 10^{-5}$
(acetic acid)	(benzoic acid)
$K_a[CH_2ClCOOH (aq)] = 1.40 \times 10^{-3}$	$K_b[NH_3 (aq)] = 1.80 \times 10^{-5}$
(chloroacetic acid)	(ammonia)
$K_a[HClO (aq)] = 2.90 \times 10^{-8}$	$K_a[CH_3CH_2CH_2COOH (aq)] = 1.45 \times 10^{-5}$
(hypochlorous acid)	(pentanoic acid)
$K_a[HF (aq)] = 6.30 \times 10^{-4}$	$K_b [CH_3NH_2] = 3.70 \times 10^{-4}$
(hydrofluoric acid)	(methylamine)
$K_a[HCOOH (aq)] = 1.80 \times 10^{-4}$	$K_{sp} [Fe(OH)_2] = 4.87 \times 10^{-17}$
(formic acid)	
$K_{sp} [PbF_2] = 3.6 \times 10^{-8}$	$K_{sp} [MgF_2] = 3.7 \times 10^{-8}$
$K_{sp} [Cd(OH)_2] = 7.2 \times 10^{-15}$	$K_{sp} [PbI_2] = 1.4 \times 10^{-8}$
$K_{sp} [CaSO_4] = 2.4 \times 10^{-5}$	$K_{sp} [CaC_2O_4] = 2.3 \times 10^{-9}$
$K_{sp} [CuCl] = 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$	$K_{sp} [AgCl] = 1.77 \times 10^{-10}$

# Electron Pair and Molecular Geometries

Number of Electron Groups	Number of Lone Pairs	Electron Pair Geometry	Molecular Geometry
2	0	Linear	Linear
3	0	Trigonal planar	Trigonal planar
3	1	Trigonal planar	Bent
	0	Tetrahedral (T <sub>d</sub> )	Tetrahedral (T <sub>d</sub> )
4	1	Tetrahedral (T₀)	Trigonal pyramidal
	2	Tetrahedral (T <sub>d</sub> )	Bent
	0	Trigonal bipyramidal	Trigonal bipyramidal
5	1	Trigonal bipyramidal	See-Saw
٦	2	Trigonal bipyramidal	T-Shaped
	3	Trigonal bipyramidal	Linear
	0	Octahedral (Oh)	Octahedral (O <sub>h</sub> )
6	1	Octahedral (Oh)	Square pyramidal
	2	Octahedral (O <sub>h</sub> )	Square planar



Late 2<sup>nd</sup>-period A<sub>2</sub> Diatomics Scheme

PV = nRT	$\frac{P_1 V_1}{n_1 T_1} = \frac{P_2 V_2}{n_2 T_2}$	$\mu_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{Molar\ Mass}}$
$R = 0.08206 \frac{L \bullet atm}{mol \bullet K}$	$R = 8.314 \frac{kg \bullet m^2}{s^2 \bullet mol \bullet K}$	760 Torr = 1 atm = 760 mm Hg
K = 273.15 + °C	1 mole = $6.02 \times 10^{23}$	Ideal Molar volume = 22.414 L @ STP (STP = 1 atm and 273.15 K)

- Determine the electron geometry (eg) and molecular geometry (mg) of the carbon bonded to the 1. nitrogen in acetonitrile, CH<sub>3</sub>CN.
  - (A) eg=tetrahedral
  - eg=tetrahedral (B)
- mg=tetrahedral mg=trigonal pyramidal
- (C) eg=trigonal planar
- mg=bent
- eg=trigonal planar (D)
- mg=trigonal planar

eg=linear (E)

- (mg=linear)
- H · C C = N!

- 2. What electron arrangement of charge clouds is expected for an atom that has four electron groups (charge clouds)?
  - (A) trigonal bipyramidal
  - (B) trigonal pyramidal
  - (C) trigonal planar
  - square planar (D)
  - (tetrahedral (E)

- 3. What are the approximate bond angles about the sulfur in SF<sub>6</sub>?
  - (A) 160°
  - 120° (B)
  - 109.5° (C)
  - (D) 90%
  - 60° (E)

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- Which of the following gases exhibit the *largest* average kinetic energy at STP? 4.
  - (A)  $NH_3$
  - (B) He

(C)  $CO_2$ 

- $KE = \frac{3}{2}kT$ Not was dependent
- (D) All have the same average kinetic energy
- There is not enough information to answer this question. (E)

- $N_2O$  gas has a density of 2.85 g/L at 25.0 °C. What is the pressure of the gas? 5.
  - 0.130 atm (A)
- 2.859 N20 ( 1 nol ) = 0.0647 nol
- (B) 5.13 atm
- (C) 1.58 atm
- 1.00 atm (D)
- (E)

There is not enough information to determine the pressure
$$p: \frac{0.87}{V} = \frac{0.0647 \text{ no.} 1 \times 0.08206 \frac{1.47}{\text{no.} 1 \times 1} \times 298 \text{ K}}{1.58 \text{ a.f.}}$$

Methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) reacts with water to form hydrogen gas and carbon monoxide. What volume of methane 6. is required to produce 50.0 g of H<sub>2</sub> (g) at 298 K and 0.950 atm?

- (A) 192 L
- (B) (212 D)
- (C) 1280 L
- (D) 638 L
- 1920 L (E)
- 50,0 g Hz ( 1001 ) = 24.80 mol Hz V= nRT (24.80 mol X0.08206 molik (298K) 638.5 L
  (0.950 atn)

- 7. Using the MO diagram provided, determine the bond order and para/diamagnetism of O23.

- (A) 1.0 and paramagnetic
- (B) 1.0 and diamagnetic
- (C) 1.5 and paramagnetic
- 0.5 and diamagnetic (D)
- 0.5 and paramagnetic (E)

- A steel gas cylinder contains argon gas at STP. What is the final pressure if the temperature is changed 8. to 145°C?  $P_{1}V_{1}$   $P_{2}V_{2}$   $\frac{1 \text{ atm}}{273.15 \text{ K}} \frac{P_{2}}{(273.15 \text{ K} + 145)}$   $P_{2} = 1.53 \text{ atm}$ 
  - (A) 0.653 atm
  - (B) 0.713 atm
  - (C) 1.40 atm
  - (1.53 atm) (D)
  - 5.80 atm **(E)**

9.

Which of the following is correct for the nitrogen in CH<sub>3</sub>NHCH<sub>3</sub>?

 $sp^2$ (A) eg=trigonal planar mg=trigonal planar  $sp^3$ (B) eg=trigonal planar mg=trigonal planar (C)  $sp^2$ eg=tetrahedral mg=trigonal planar (D) mg=trigonal planar eg=tetrahedral (E) ceg=tetrahedral) (mg=trigonal pyramidal



- 10. Which of the following pure compounds exhibits hydrogen bonding?
  - (A) CH<sub>3</sub>Cl

H-D

(B) HI H ~ N

(C) CH<sub>3</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub>

H - F

 $(NH_3)$ (D) CH<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>2</sub> (E)

- The normal boiling point for CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub> is greater than the normal boiling point for CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>. This 11. can be explained by: Both nonepolar
  - (A) larger dipole-dipole forces
  - (larger dispersion forces) (B)
  - (C) larger hydrogen-bond forces
  - larger dipole-dipole forces, larger dispersion forces, and larger hydrogen-bond forces (D)
  - **(E)** larger dipole-dipole forces and larger hydrogen-bond forces
- A Himalayan mountain climber needs to melt 2.00 kg of ice at 0 °C for drinking water. She has small 12. cylinders of camping gas that provide 155 kJ energy each. How many cylinders will she need to melt the ice?
  - (A)
- g=mOHf= (2000g)(334 3/2)= 668,000 J
- (B)
- (C)
- 668,000 \$ 4.31 or 5 cylinders
- (D) (E)

- (A) NaCl(aq) and KOH(aq)
- NH<sub>4</sub>OH(aq) and BaCl<sub>2</sub>(aq) (B)
- Batty 204 (0) > Ba(OH)2 (5) (C) NaW(aq) and AgNO<sub>3</sub>(aq)
- Na<sub>2</sub>ČO<sub>3</sub>(s) and NH<sub>4</sub>Cl(aq) (D)
- K<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>(aq) and NH<sub>4</sub>OH(aq) (E)

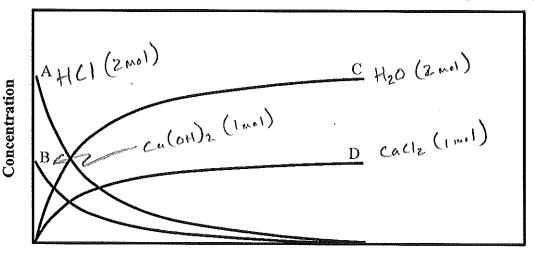
14. What mass of calcium carbonate should be dissolved in water to produce 500.0 mL of a 0.200 M solution?

- (A) 0.100 g
- M: mol
- (B) 0.100 kg
- (C)  $(10.0 \, \text{g})$
- (D) 1.00 g (E) 1.00 kg
- nol = 0.100 mol

15. For the following reaction:

$$Ca(OH)_2 + 2 HC1 \longrightarrow CaCl_2 + 2 H_2O$$

Match the appropriate concentration –vs-time profile with the appropriate compound.



(A)	$A=Ca(OH)_2$
(B)	$B=Ca(OH)_2$

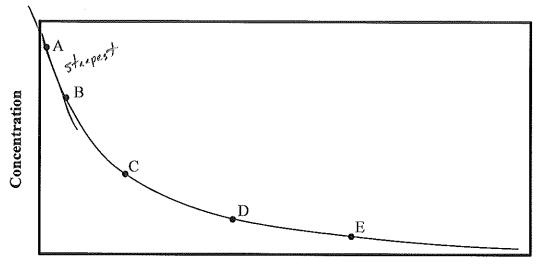
- Time B=HCl A=HCl-
- C=CaCl<sub>2</sub>
- D=H<sub>2</sub>O

- (C)  $A=Ca(OH)_2$
- B=HCl
- C=CaCl<sub>2</sub> D=CaCl<sub>2</sub>
- D=H<sub>2</sub>O C=H<sub>2</sub>O

- (D) A=Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub>
- D=HCl
- C=CaCl<sub>2</sub>
- B=H<sub>2</sub>O\_\_\_

- $B=Ca(OH)_2$
- A=HCl ✓
- D=CaCl<sub>2</sub> -
- C=H<sub>2</sub>O

16. In the reaction graph shown below, at which point is the reaction rate the greatest?



Time

- (A) (B)
- $\mathbf{C}$
- (C) (D) (E) D E
- 17. What are the units of k in the following rate law? Rate = k[X][Y]
  - (A)

(B) Ms

- (C) Ms
- (D)
- **(E)**

18. Given the following rate law, how does the rate of reaction change if the concentration of X is doubled and Y is tripled?

Rate = 
$$k[X][Y]^2$$

- (A) The rate of reaction will increase by a factor of 2
- The rate of reaction will increase by a factor of 5 (B)
- The rate of reaction will increase by a factor of 9 (C)
- The rate of reaction will increase by a factor of 183 (D)
- (E) The rate of reaction will decrease by a factor of 5

- 19. Which of the following statements is FALSE?
  - When  $K_c >> 1$ , the forward reaction is favored and essentially goes to completion. (A)
  - When  $K_c \ll 1$ , the reverse reaction is favored and the forward reaction does not proceed to a (B) great extent.
  - When  $K_c \approx 1$ , neither the forward or reverse reaction is strongly favored, and about the same (C) amount of reactants and products exist at equilibrium.
  - $K_c \gg 1$  implies that the reaction is very fast at producing products.) (D)
  - (E) None of the above are false.

20. Express the equilibrium constant for the following reaction.

$$2 \text{ Na(s)} + 2 \text{ H2O(1)} \leftrightarrow 2 \text{ NaOH(aq)} + \text{H2(g)}$$

$$(A) \quad K_c = \frac{[\text{NaOH}]^2[\text{H}_2]}{[\text{Na}]^2[\text{H}_2\text{O}]^2}$$

(B) 
$$K_c = \frac{[H_2]}{[NaOH]^2}$$

(C) 
$$K_c = \frac{[Na]^2 [H_2O]^2}{[NaOH]^2 [H_2]}$$
  
(D)  $K_c = [H_2][NaOH]^2$ 

(D) 
$$K_c = [H_2][NaOH]^2$$

(E) 
$$K_c = \frac{[\text{NaOH}]^{1/2}[\text{H}_2]}{[\text{Na}]^{1/2}[\text{H}_2\text{O}]^{1/2}}$$

21. The equilibrium constant is given for one of the reactions below. Determine the value of the missing equilibrium constant.

$$H_2(g) + Br_2(g) \leftrightarrow 2 HBr(g) K_c = 3.8 \times 104$$
 $2 HBr(g) \leftrightarrow H_2(g) + Br_2(g) K_c = ?$ 
 $\frac{1}{3.6 \times 10^4} = 2.6 \times 10^{-5}$ 

(A) 
$$1.9 \times 10^4$$

(B) 
$$5.3 \times 10^{-5}$$

(C) 
$$(2.6 \times 10^{-5})$$

(D) 
$$6.4 \times 10^{-4}$$

(E) 
$$1.6 \times 10^3$$

22. Consider the system 
$$SO_2(g) + CO_2(g) \leftrightarrow CO(g) + SO_3(g)$$
  $K_c = 6.76$ 

A student prepares the system and measures:

$$[SO_2] = 1.03 \text{ M}$$
  $[CO_2] = 1.22 \text{ M}$   $[CO] = 2.93 \text{ M}$   $[SO_3] = 2.90 \text{ M}$ 

- (A) (The system is at equilibrium.
- (B) The system is not at equilibrium and more product will form.
- (C) The system is not at equilibrium and more reactant will form.
- (D) The system is not at equilibrium and you will need to add more product.
- (E) The system is not at equilibrium and you will need to add more reactant.

$$Q = \frac{P}{\Gamma} = \frac{(2.93)(2.90)}{(1.03)(1.22)} = 6.76 \quad \Box = K \quad \text{Equilibries}$$

23. What is the pH of 0.750 M CH<sub>3</sub>COOH (aq)?

(C) 
$$(2.43)$$

$$K_a = 1.80 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{\times^2}{0.750}$$

$$X = \{H^+\} = 0.00367$$

$$PH = -log(0.00367) = 2.43$$

24. For the following chemical equilibrium, which of the following statements are correct?

COCl<sub>2(g)</sub>  $K_c = 1.5 \times 10^4$  and  $\Delta H = -243$  kJ/mole  $CO_{(g)} + Cl_{2(g)}$ lam s

- (A) (Increasing the pressure will create more products)
- (B) Increasing the pressure will create more reactants
- Increasing the temperature will create more products (C)
- (D) Decreasing the pressure will create more products
- (E) Decreasing the temperature will create more reactants

- 25. Which of the following is an Arrhenius base?
  - (A) CH<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H
  - LION Lit + OH" (LiOH) (B)
  - CH<sub>3</sub>OH (C)
  - (D) NaBr
  - More than one of these compounds is an Arrhenius base. (E)

- Which of the following species is amphoteric? 26.
  - CO32-(A)

- HF (B)
- (C) NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>

- HPO<sub>4</sub>2-(D) (
- (E) None of the above are amphoteric.

- 27. What is the conjugate acid of HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>?
  - H3O+(A)
  - (B) H<sub>2</sub>O
  - CO<sub>3</sub>2-(C)
  - (D) OH-
  - (E) H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>
- HCO5 + H20 = HCO3 + OH"
  - conjugate
    - Partial Credit: C = 2 pts
- 28. The stronger the acid, then which of the following is TRUE?
  - (A) The stronger the conjugate acid.
  - The stronger the conjugate base. (B)
  - (C) (The weaker the conjugate base.) The weaker the conjugate acid. (D)

25°C. The acid is followed by its Ka value.

(E) None of the above.

- Strong Acid

- Which of the following solutions would have the highest pH? Assume that they are all 0.10 M in acid at 29.
  - HF,  $3.5 \times 10^{-4}$ (A)
  - (HCN, 4.9 × 10-10) (B)
  - HNO<sub>2</sub>,  $4.6 \times 10^{-4}$ (C)
  - HCOOH,  $1.8 \times 10^{-4}$ (D)
  - $HClO_2, 1.1 \times 10^{-2}$ (E)

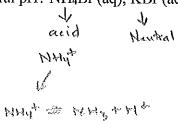
Partial Credit:

weakest acid

E = 2 2 3

### 30. Which solution(s) is (are) expected to be neutral pH? NH4Br (aq), KBr (aq), AlBr3 (aq), or KNO3 (aq)?

- a. NH<sub>4</sub>Br (aq) only
- b. KBr (aq) only
- c. AlBr<sub>3</sub> (aq) only
- d. KNO3 (aq) only
- e(KNO<sub>3</sub> (aq) and KBr (aq)



#### 31. Which of the following statements is true in this reaction:

$$Zn^{2+}(aq) + 4 NH_3(aq) \rightleftarrows Zn(NH_3)_4^{2+}(aq)$$

- a) Zn<sup>2+</sup> (aq) is the Lewis acid in this reaction.
- b) NH<sub>3</sub> (aq) is the Lewis acid in this reaction.
- c) Zn(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>2+</sup> (aq) is the Lewis acid in this reaction.
- d) Both Zn<sup>2+</sup> (aq) and NH<sub>3</sub> (aq) are Lewis acids in this reaction.
- e) There are no Lewis acids in this reaction.

#### 32. Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) dissolves in water according to the equations:

$$^{\uparrow}$$
 CO<sub>2</sub> (g) + H<sub>2</sub>O (l)  $\rightleftarrows$  H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (aq)  $^{\uparrow}$  H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (aq) + H<sub>2</sub>O (l)  $\rightleftarrows$  HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> (aq) + H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> (aq)  $^{\uparrow}$ 

CO2 levels in the atmosphere have increased about 20% over the last century. Given that Earth's oceans are exposed to atmospheric CO2, which of the following best predicts the effects of increased CO2 levels on the pH of the Earth's oceans now?

- a) The pH of Earth's oceans now is higher than the pH of Earth's oceans a century ago.
- b) The pH of Earth's oceans now is the same as the pH of Earth's oceans a century ago.
- c) (The pH of Earth's oceans now is lower than the pH of Earth's oceans a century ago.
- d) The increase in CO2 levels in Earth's oceans has no effect on its pH level.