

7 The chemistry and uses of acids, bases and salts

Content

- 7.1 The characteristic properties of acids and bases
- 7.2 Preparation of salts
- 7.3 Properties and uses of ammonia
- 7.4 Sulfuric acid

Learning outcomes

Candidates should be able to:

7.1 The characteristic properties of acids and bases

- (a) describe the meanings of the terms acid and alkali in terms of the ions they contain or produce in aqueous solution and their effects on Universal Indicator paper
- (b) describe how to test hydrogen ion concentration and hence relative acidity using Universal Indicator paper and the pH scale
- (c) describe the characteristic properties of acids as in reactions with metals, bases and carbonates
- (d) describe qualitatively the difference between strong and weak acids in terms of the extent of dissociation
- (e) describe neutralisation as a reaction between hydrogen ions and hydroxide ions to produce water, $\text{H}^+ + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}$
- (f) describe the importance of controlling the pH in soils and how excess acidity can be treated using calcium hydroxide
- (g) describe the characteristic properties of bases in reactions with acids and with ammonium salts
- (h) classify oxides as acidic, basic or amphoteric, based on metallic/non-metallic character

7.2 Preparation of salts

- (a) describe the techniques used in the preparation, separation and purification of salts as examples of some of the techniques specified in Section 1.2(a)
(methods for preparation should include precipitation and titration together with reactions of acids with metals, insoluble bases and insoluble carbonates)
- (b) describe the general rules of solubility for common salts to include nitrates, chlorides (including silver and lead), sulfates (including barium, calcium and lead), carbonates, hydroxides, Group I cations and ammonium salts
- (c) suggest a method of preparing a given salt from suitable starting materials, given appropriate information
- (d) describe the meanings of the terms hydrated, anhydrous and water of crystallisation

7.3 Properties and uses of ammonia

- (a) describe the use of nitrogen, from air, and hydrogen, from cracking hydrocarbons, in the manufacture of ammonia
- (b) state that some chemical reactions are reversible (e.g. manufacture of ammonia)
- (c) describe and explain the essential conditions for the manufacture of ammonia by the Haber process
- (d) describe the use of nitrogenous fertilisers in promoting plant growth and crop yield
- (e) compare nitrogen content of salts used for fertilisers by calculating percentage masses
- (f) describe eutrophication and water pollution problems caused by nitrates leaching from farm land and explain why the high solubility of nitrates increases these problems
- (g) describe the displacement of ammonia from its salts and explain why adding calcium hydroxide to soil can cause the loss of nitrogen from added nitrogenous fertiliser

The Following Notes cover in
Much Detail of the topic:-

Acid Bases & Salts!

I hope these set of notes help out!

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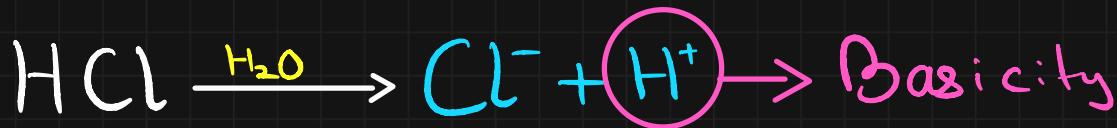
≈ Acid Bases & Salts ≈

≈ Acids ≈

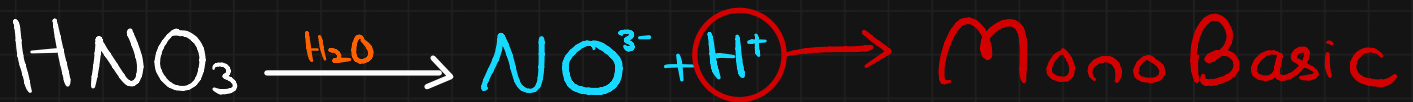
What is an Acid? / Define Acid.

Substances which produce H^+ ions are called Acid

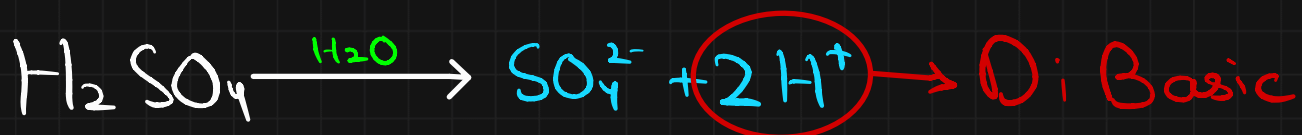
① Hydrochloric Acid (HCl)



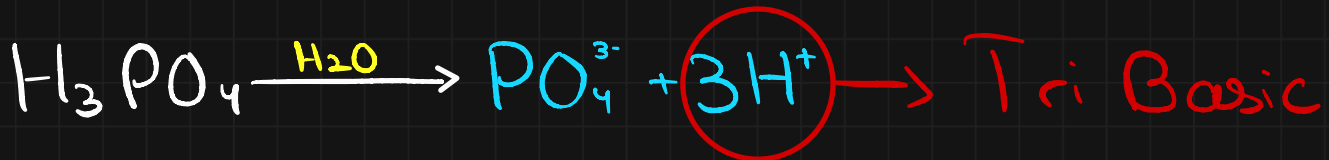
② Nitric Acid (HNO_3)



③ Sulfuric Acid (H_2SO_4)



④ Phosphoric Acid (H_3PO_4)



★ Number of H^+ ions of Acid molecule \rightarrow Basicity of the Acid

✓ H^+ ions responsible for Acidic Properties

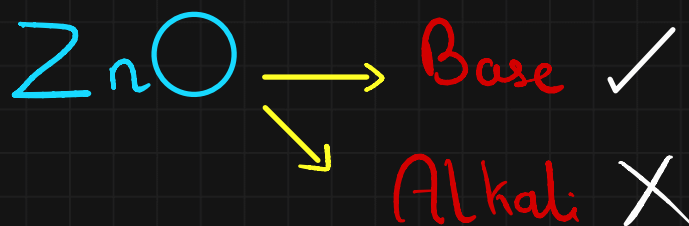
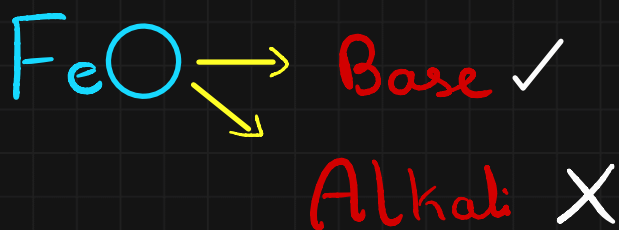
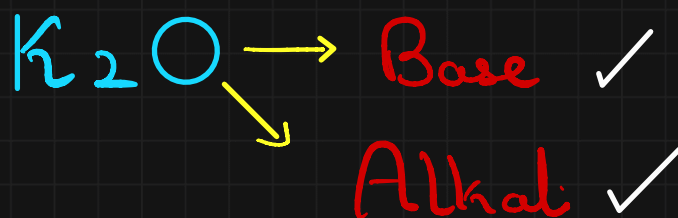
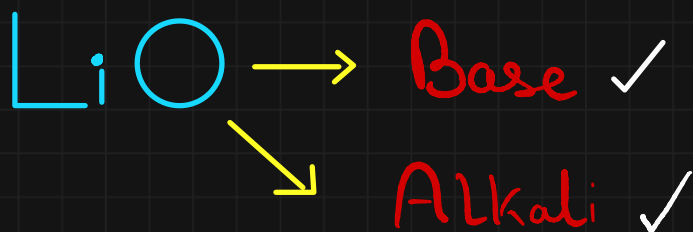
The Process of formation of H^+ ions is called
"Dissociation"

≈ Alkali ≈

A water soluble Base is called Alkali OR

Substances which Produce Hydroxide (OH^-) ions in Aq. sol.

All Group I & Group II Calcium to Barium metal Oxides or Metal Hydroxides are water soluble base.



ALL Alkali's are bases but all Bases are not Alkali's

Strengths of Acids & Alkalis

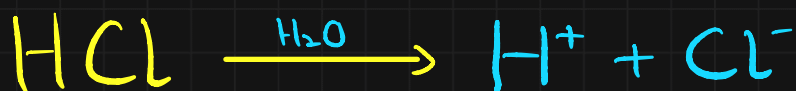
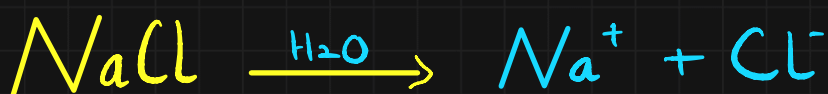
① Strong Acids:

Acid which ionizes completely in Aq. Sol.

② Weak Acid:

Acid which incompletely ionizes in Aq. Sol.

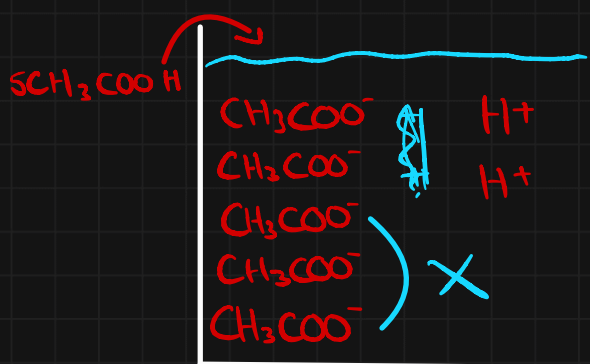
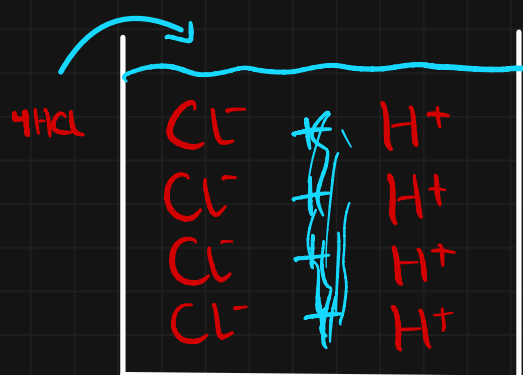
Dissociation / Ionization



Complete Dissociation \rightarrow Strong Acid



Incomplete Dissociation \rightarrow Weak Acid



Completely ionize

Incompletely ionize

★ Complete dissociation \rightarrow Single arrow

★ Incomplete dissociation \rightleftharpoons Reversible arrow

Strong Acid :-

$\text{HCl} \longrightarrow$ Hydrochloric Acid

$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \longrightarrow$ Sulfuric Acid

$\text{HNO}_3 \longrightarrow$ Nitric Acid

$\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4 \longrightarrow$ Phosphoric Acid

Weak Acids :-

$\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3 \longrightarrow$ Carbonic Acid

$\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} \longrightarrow$ Ethanoic Acid

$\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} \longrightarrow$ ✓ Mono Basic

✓ incomplete ionization

✓ CH_3COO^- ↓

Acetate ion
or

Ethanoate ion

≈ Strength of Alkali ≈

Strong Alkali :-

Alkali \rightarrow completely dissociate \rightarrow Aq. Sol.

Weak Alkali :-

Alkali \rightarrow incompletely dissociate \rightarrow Aq. Sol.

o) All Group I and Group II Ca-Ba metal hydroxides are Strong Alkalis.

$\text{KOH} \rightarrow$ Strong Alkali

$\text{NaOH} \rightarrow$ Strong Alkali

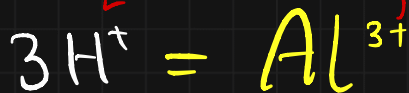
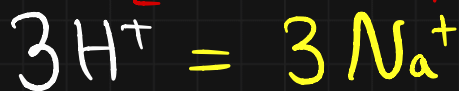
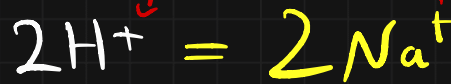
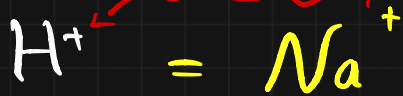
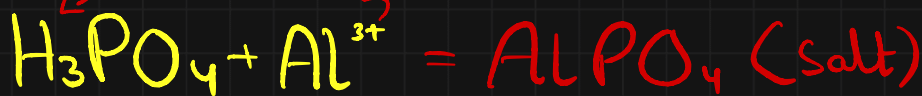
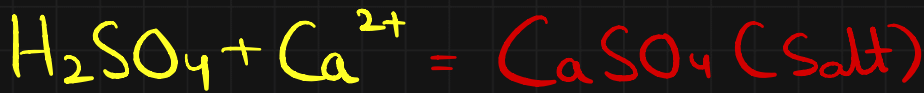
$\text{Ca(OH)}_2 \rightarrow$ Strong Alkali

$\text{Al(OH)}_3 \rightarrow$ Weak Alkali

$\text{Zn(OH)}_2 \rightarrow$ Weak Alkali

Salts ...

A substance \rightarrow all H^+ ions of Acid replaced by Cations



Indicators

Substances which show different colours at different PH is called Indicator.

Indicators	Acid	Alkali
Phenolphthalein	Colourless	Purple / Pink
Methyl Orange	Red	Yellow
Litmus Solution	Red	Blue

LAR MAR PAC → For Acid!

Universal Indicator :-

Mixture of dif. Indicators → dif colors at dif PH

This indicator is not used in Titration.

VIBGYOR

R = Red

B = Blue

O = Orange

I = Indigo

Y = Yellow

V = Violet

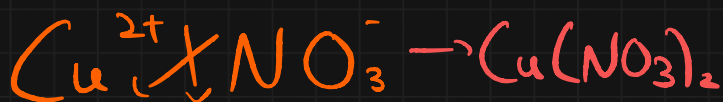
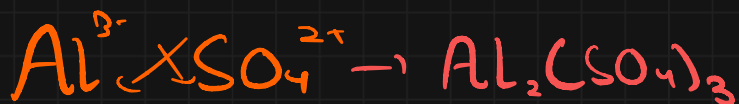
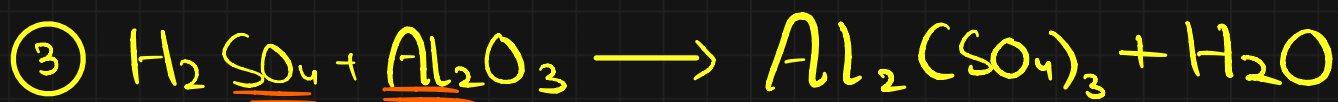
G = Green

≈ Preparation of Salt ≈

There are four methods to Prepare salts:-

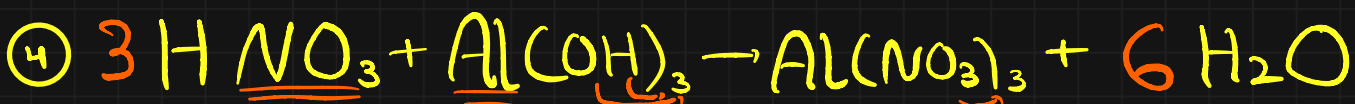
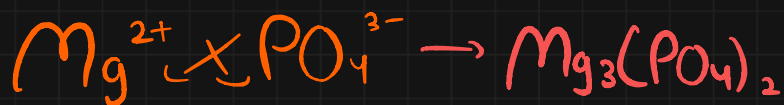
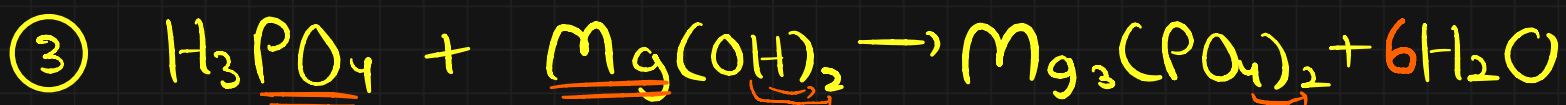
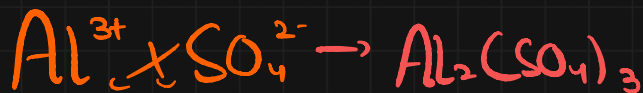
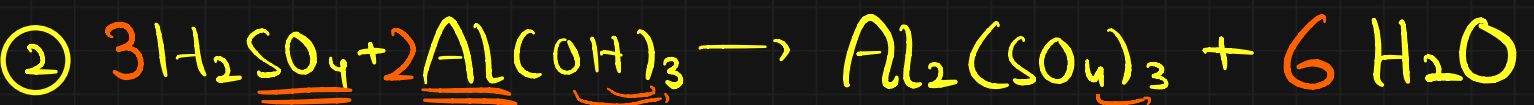
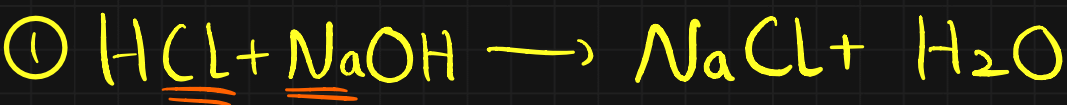
Method 1:-

Acid + Base \longrightarrow Salt + Water



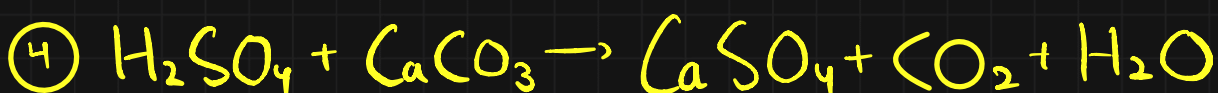
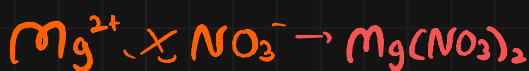
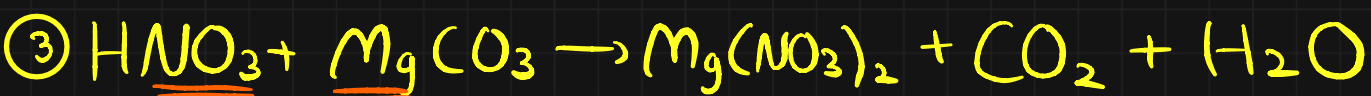
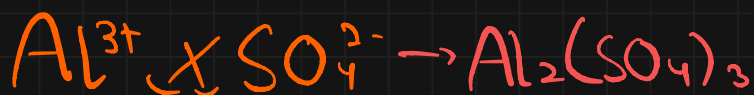
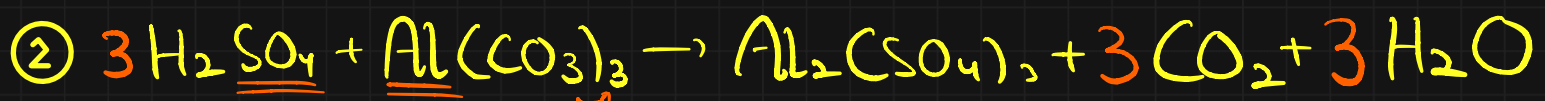
Method 2 :

Acid + Alkali \rightarrow Salt + Water

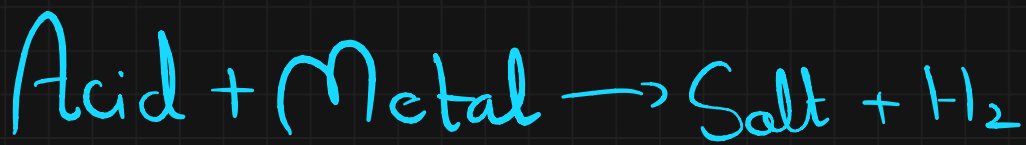


Method 3:-

Acid + Metal Carbonate \rightarrow Salt + CO₂ + H₂O



Method 4 :-



Reactivity

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K
Na
Ca

Violent reaction with Acid
So, we don't react

Mg
Al
Zn
Fe

React with dil acid to give
Salt + H₂

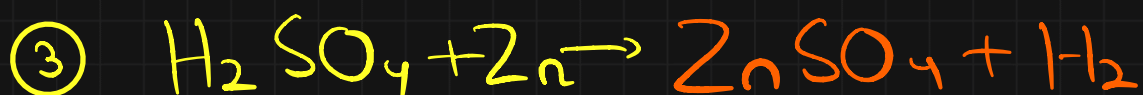
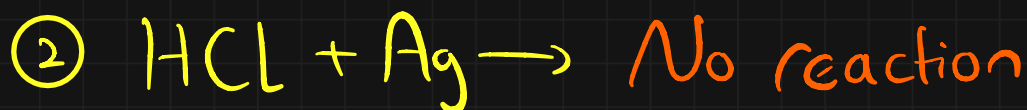
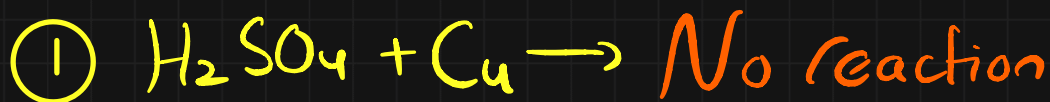
Pb → React with conc HNO₃

(H)

Cu
Ag
Au
Pt

Do not react with
dilute acid

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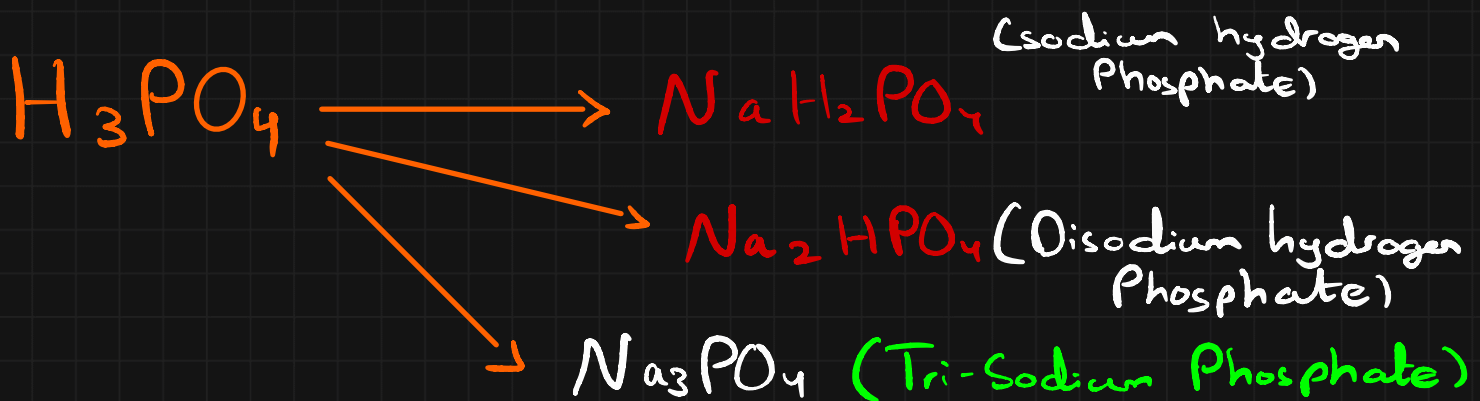
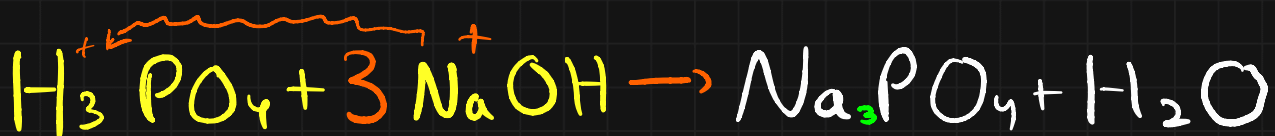
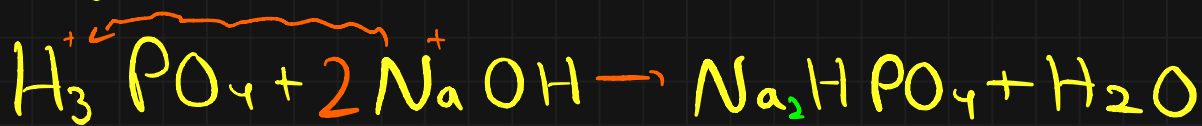
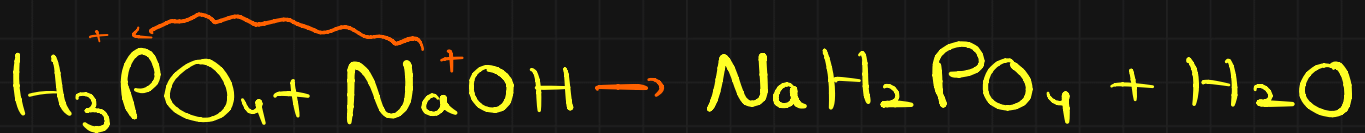
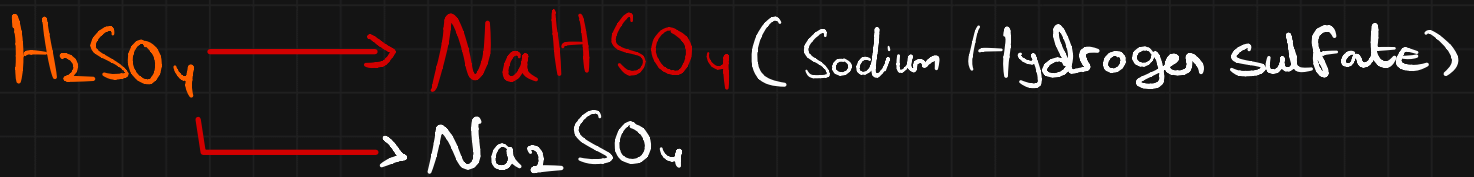
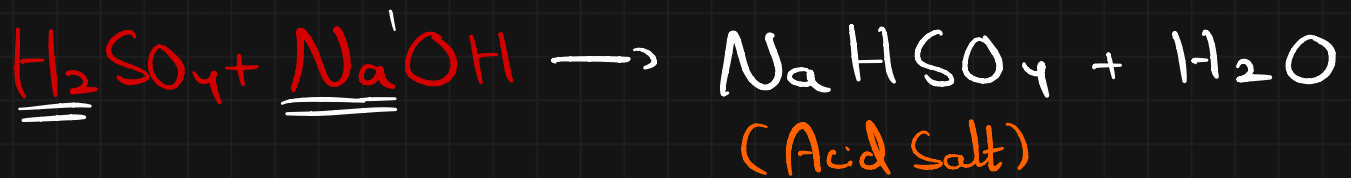


≈ Acid Salt ≈

Salts → Not All H^+ ions → replaced.

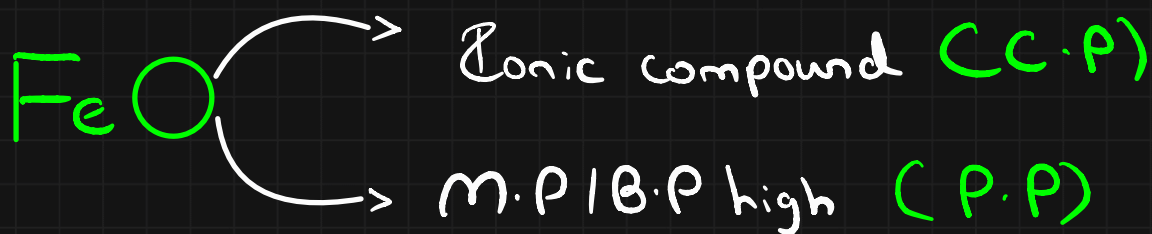
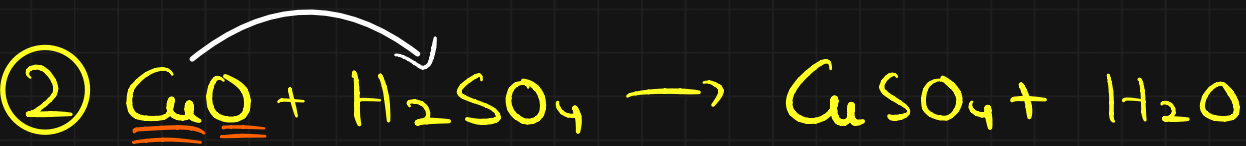
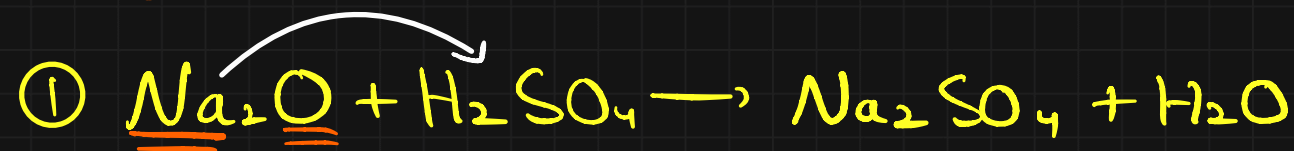
o) Monobasic acids * → No Acid Salt

o) Dibasic acids → Two Acid Salts.



② Basic Oxides

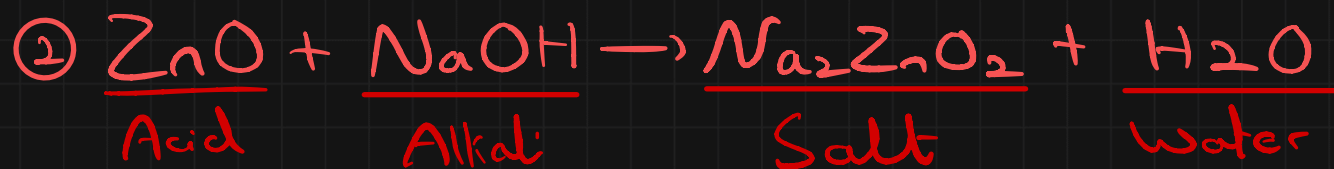
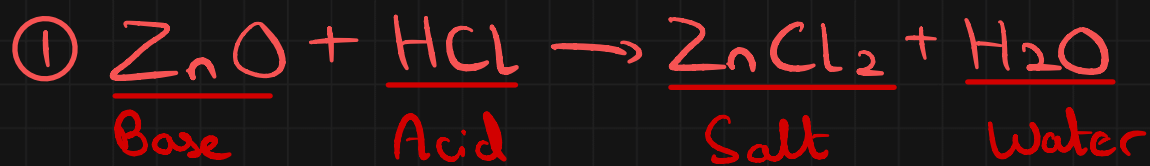
Oxides \rightarrow Neutralize Acids



* All metal oxides \rightarrow Basic

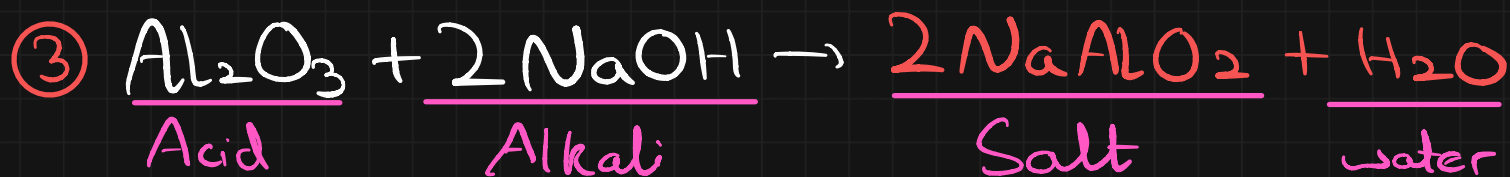
③ Amphoteric Oxides ③

Oxide \rightarrow Both Acid & Alkali



List of Amphoteric Oxides :-

- | | |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| ① Zinc | (ZnO) |
| ② Aluminium | (Al ₂ O ₃) |
| ③ Lead | (PbO) |



④ Neutral Oxides ④

Oxides \rightarrow no reaction

CO, H₂O, NO, etc

23) Oxides of the elements may be classified as acidic, basic or amphoteric. Which set of oxides is correctly classified?

	Acidic	Basic	Amphoteric
X A	Carbon dioxide	Copper (II) oxide	Zinc oxide
X B	Carbon dioxide	Zinc oxide	Copper (II) oxide
C	Copper (II) oxide	Carbon dioxide	Zinc oxide
X D	Zinc oxide	Carbon dioxide	Copper (II) oxide

Acidic Oxides \rightarrow Non metals

Basic Oxides \rightarrow Metals

Amphoteric Oxides \rightarrow Zn, Pb, Al

Why A?

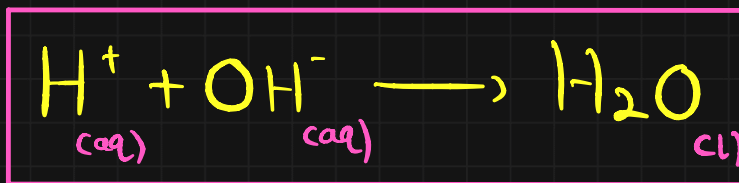
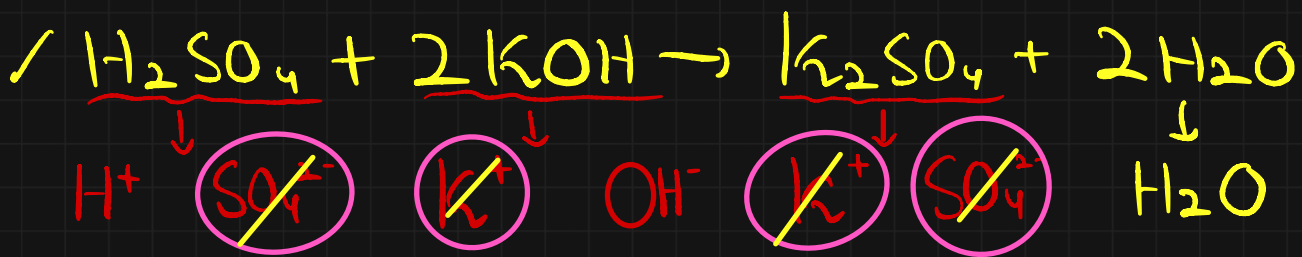
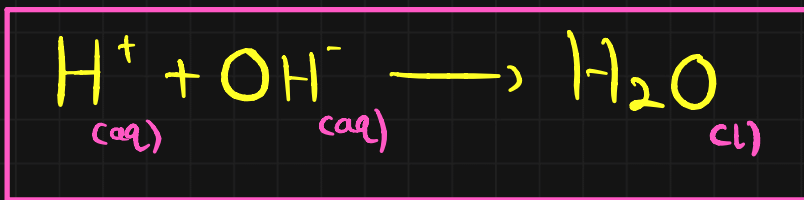
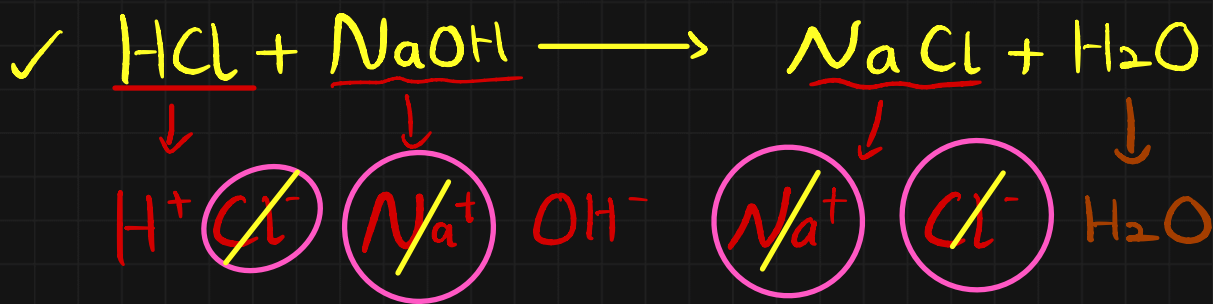
$\text{CO}_2 \rightarrow$ Acidic Oxide \rightarrow Non metal

$\text{Zn} \rightarrow$ Amphoteric \rightarrow Fact

≈ Ionic Equations ≈

- o) Common Ions in both equations → Spectator Ions!
- o) Spectator Ions → removed from Molecular equation gives you Ionic Equation!
- o) Do not break H_2O, CO_2 , Elements and Solids

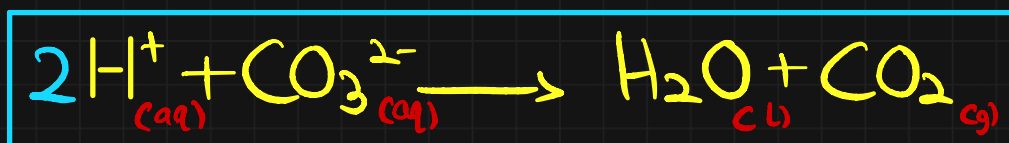
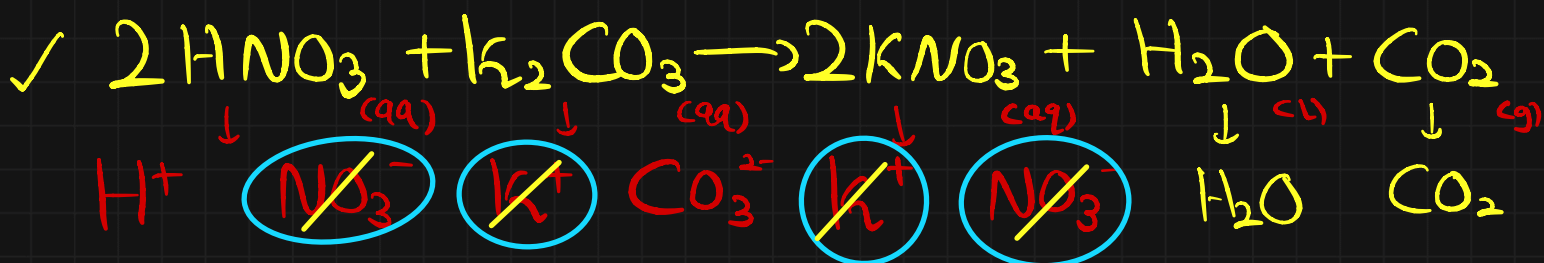
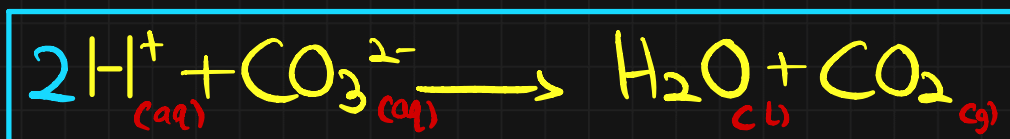
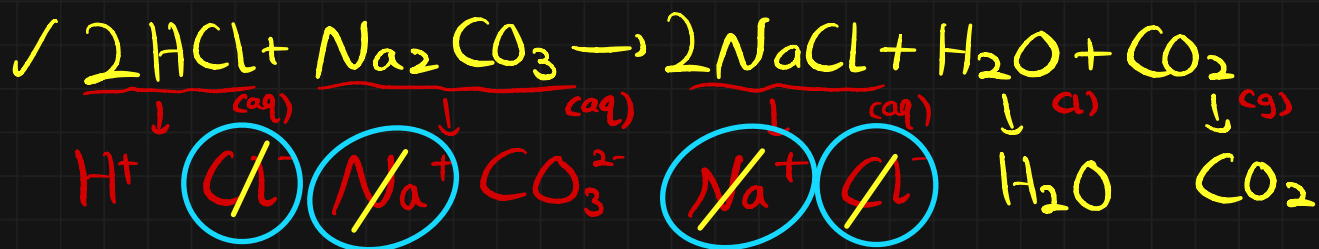
I) Acid + Alkali → Salt + Water



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If acid reacts with Alkali, this Ionic Equation will always be formed!

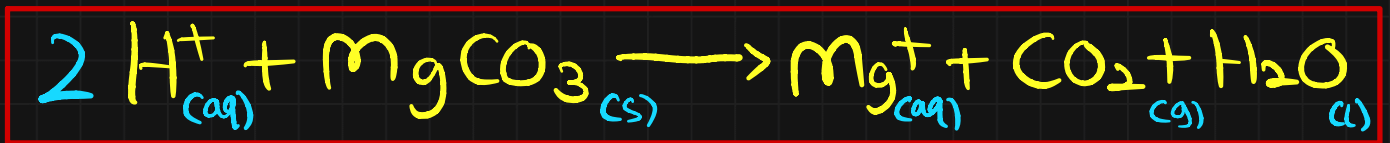
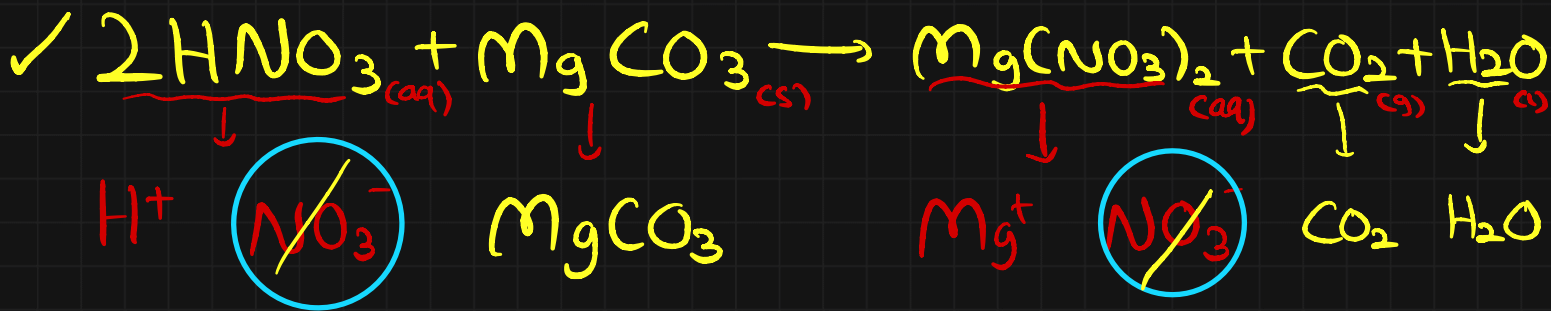
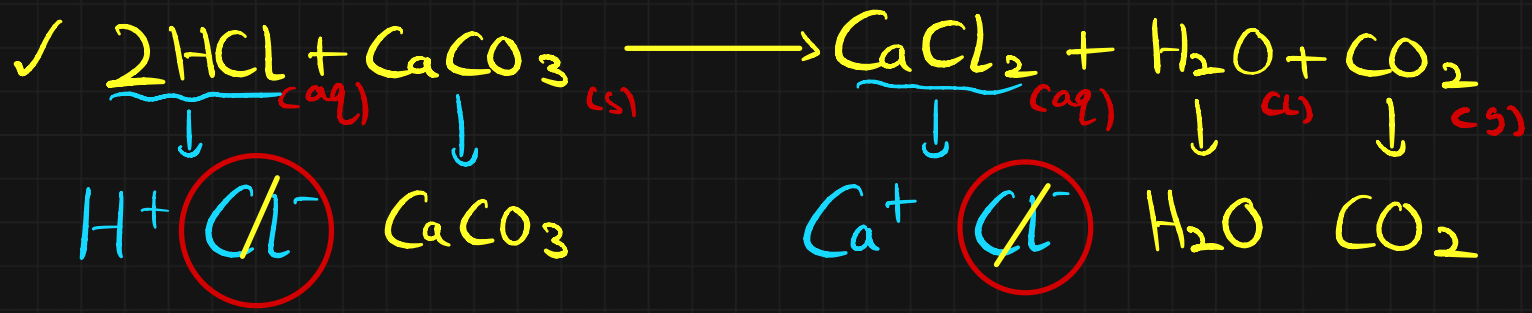
II) Acid + Carbonate \rightarrow Salt + Water + CO_2

i) Soluble Carbonate :-

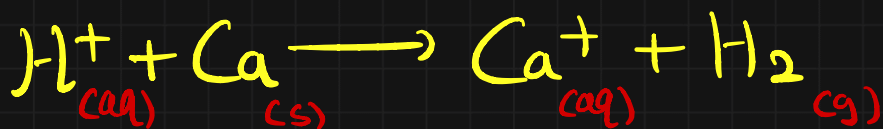
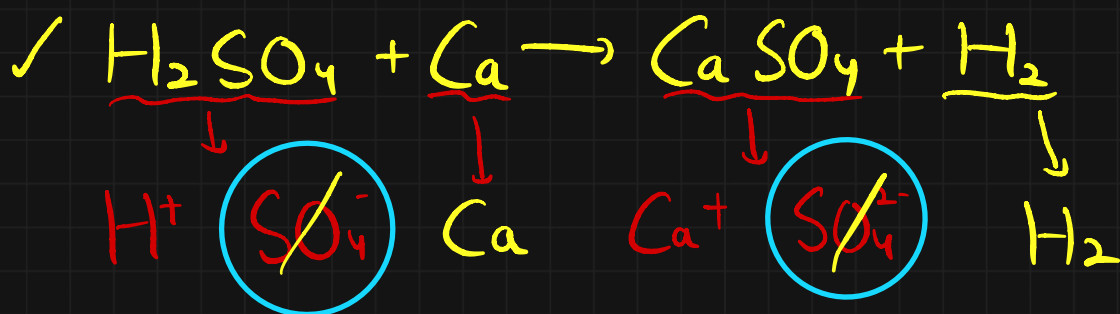
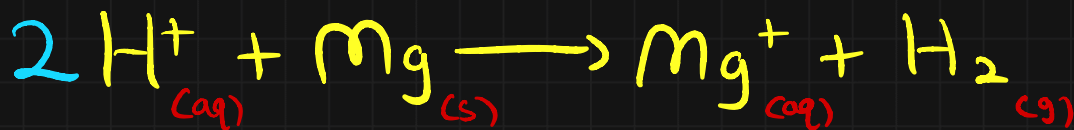
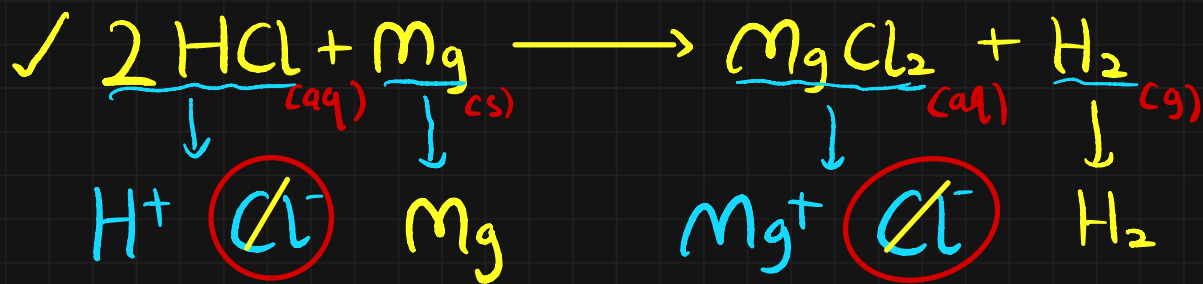


If acid reacts with soluble carbonates
This Ionic Equation will always be formed!

ii) Insoluble Carbonate :-



III) Acid + Metal \longrightarrow Salt + H_2



Insoluble (s)

Soluble (aq)

Soluble & Insoluble Substances!

- All Group I and NH_4^+ compounds are water soluble
- All Nitrates (NO_3^-) are water soluble
- All Carbonates are water Insoluble except Group I and Ammonium (NH_4^+)
- All Lead compounds are water Insoluble except Lead (II) Nitrate [$\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2$]
- All Hallides (Cl^- , Br^- , I^-) are water soluble except Silver and Lead
- ★ → All Sulfates are water soluble except Lead (Pb) and Group II (From Ca to downward)
- ★ → All Hydroxides are water insoluble except Group I, NH_4^+ and Group II (Ca to downward)

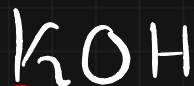
A few examples ↷



↳ All Grp I soluble



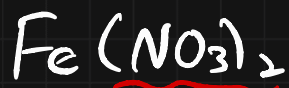
↳ Halide soluble



↳ Grp I soluble



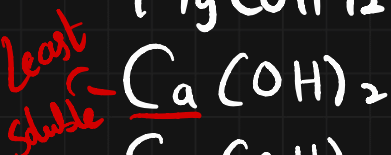
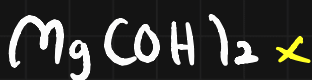
II ↳ Sulfate insoluble if Grp II



↳ All nitrates soluble



↳ Halides insoluble with Silver (Ag)



Solubility in water

↑ increases

↳ most soluble

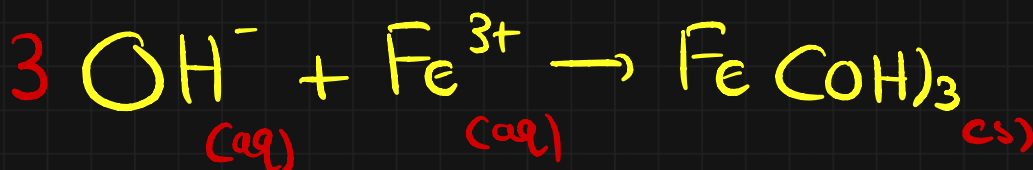
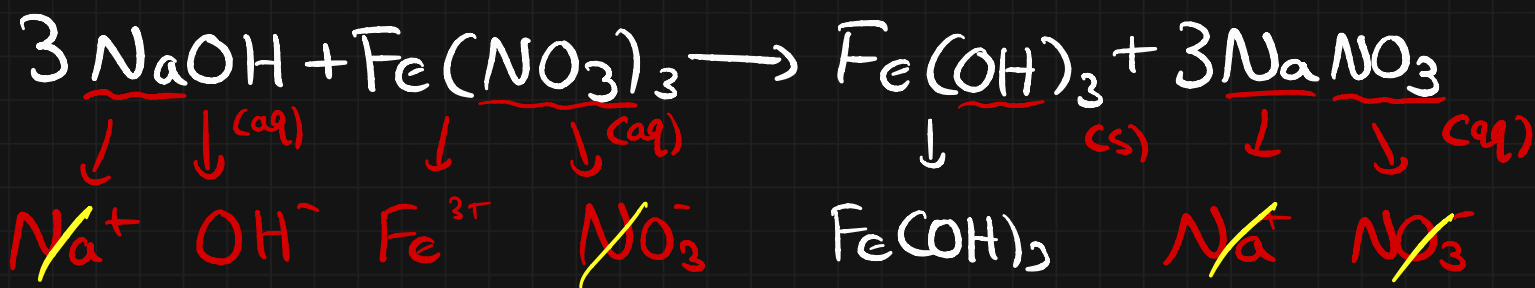
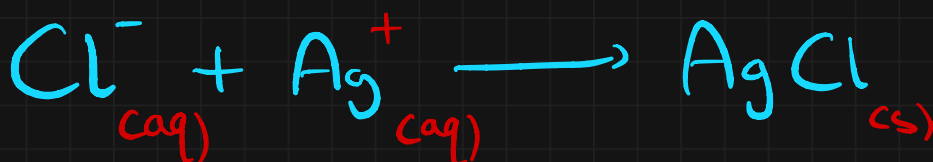
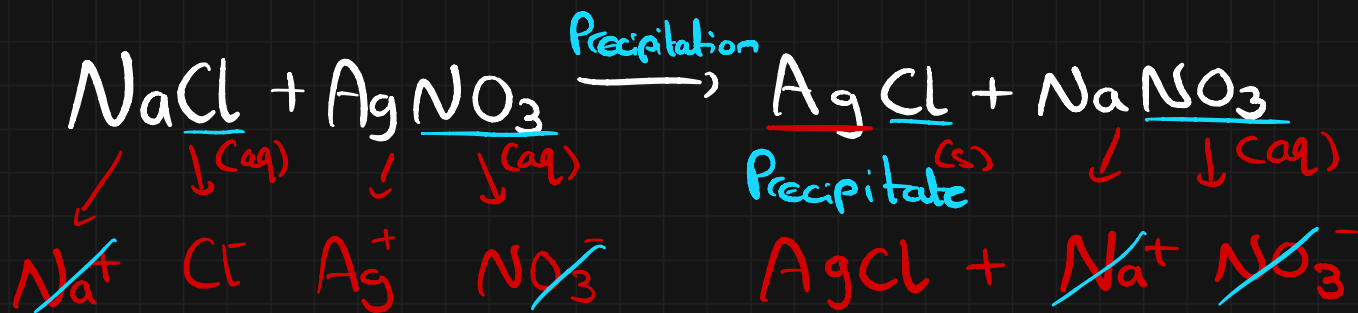


Solubility in water decreases

↳ least soluble

≈ Precipitation ≈

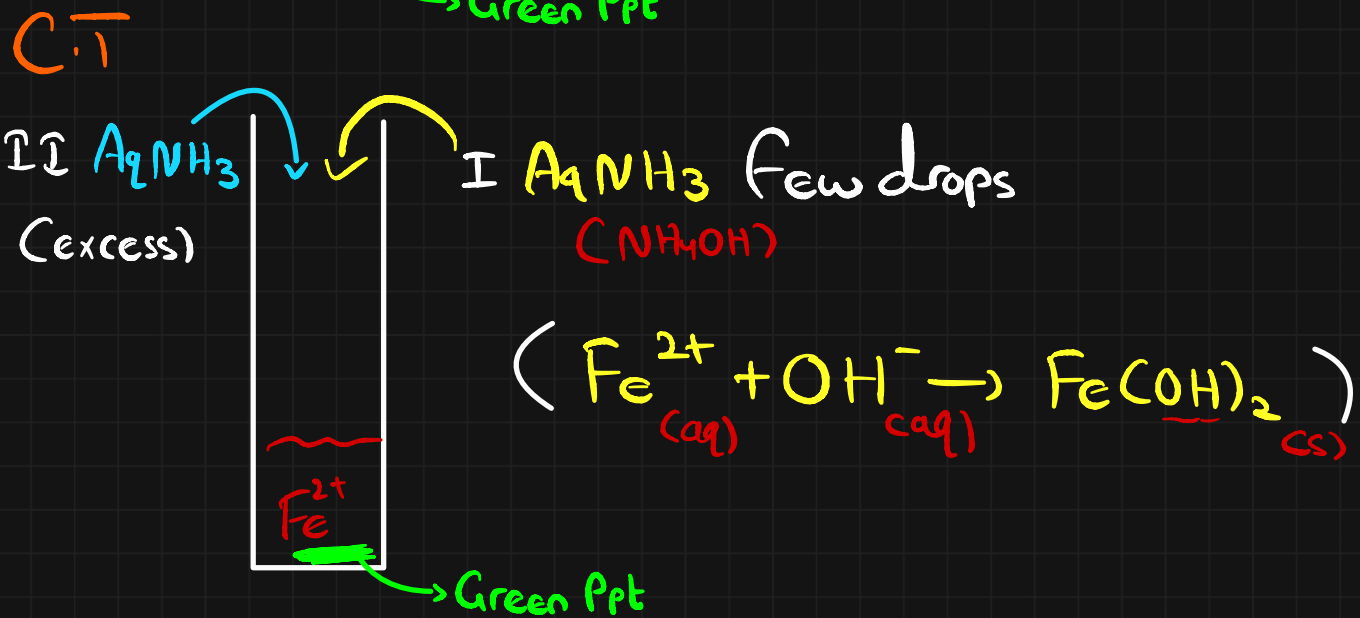
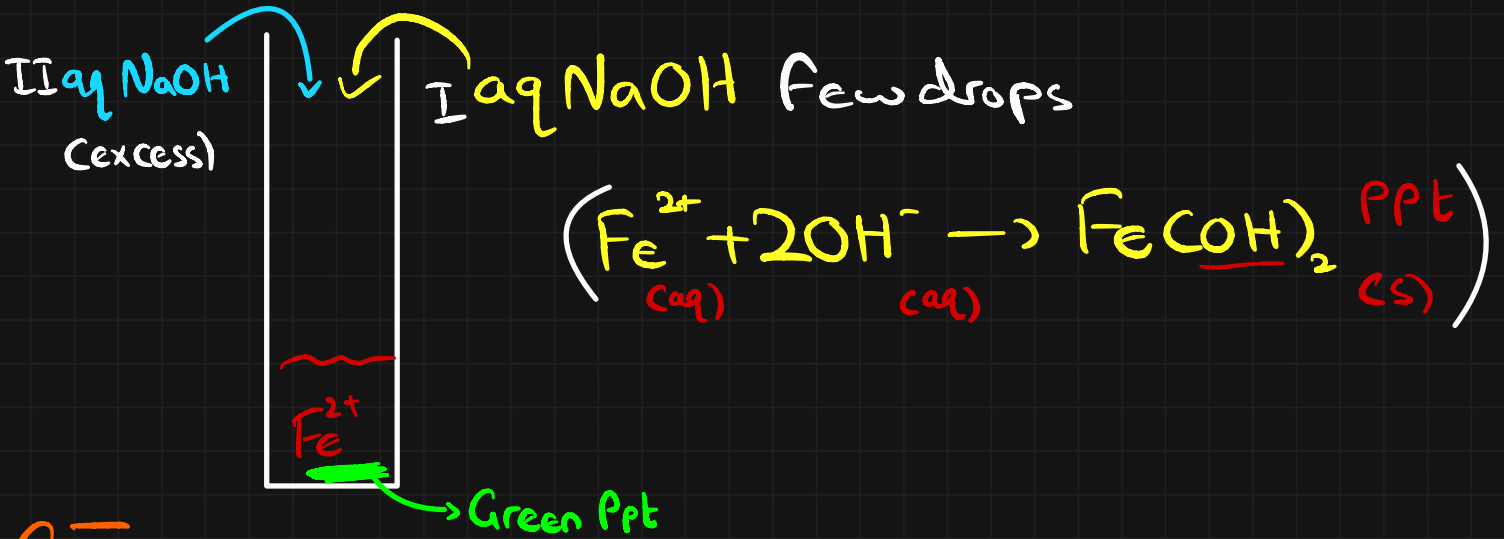
Two Solutions mixed → Insoluble substance
↓
Precipitate



≈ Test For Ions ≈

Identification of Ions with help of Precipitation!

Two reagents → Aq NH₃ & Aq NaOH



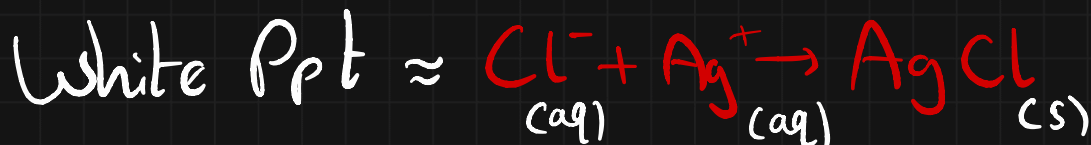
Ion	aq NaOH (few drops)	aq NaOH (excess)	aq NH ₃ (few drops)	aq NH ₃ (excess)	Ionic Equation
Fe ²⁺	Green Ppt	Ppt insoluble	Green Ppt	Ppt insoluble	$\text{Fe}^{2+} + 2\text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2$ (aq) (aq) (s)
Fe ³⁺	Red-Brown Ppt	Ppt insoluble	Red-Brown Ppt	Ppt insoluble	$\text{Fe}^{3+} + 3\text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3$ (aq) (aq) (s)
Cu ²⁺	Blue Ppt	Ppt insoluble	Blue Ppt	Ppt soluble giving dark blue solution	$\text{Cu}^{2+} + 2\text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{Cu}(\text{OH})_2$ (aq) (aq) (s)
Cr ³⁺	Green Ppt	Ppt soluble giving dark blue solution	Grey-Green ppt	Ppt insoluble	$\text{Cr}^{3+} + 3\text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$ (aq) (aq) (s)
Zn ²⁺	White Ppt	Ppt soluble giving colorless solution	White Ppt	Ppt soluble giving colorless solution	$\text{Zn}^{2+} + 2\text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2$ (aq) (aq) (s)
Al ³⁺	White Ppt	Ppt soluble giving colorless solution	White Ppt	Ppt insoluble	$\text{Al}^{3+} + 3\text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{Al}(\text{OH})_3$ (aq) (aq) (s)
Ca ²⁺	White Ppt	Ppt insoluble	No Ppt!	No Ppt!	$\text{Ca}^{2+} + 2\text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$ (aq) (aq) (s)

≈ Test for Anions ≈

$\text{Cl}^- \rightarrow$ Chloride!

i) Acidify with dil nitric acid (HNO_3)

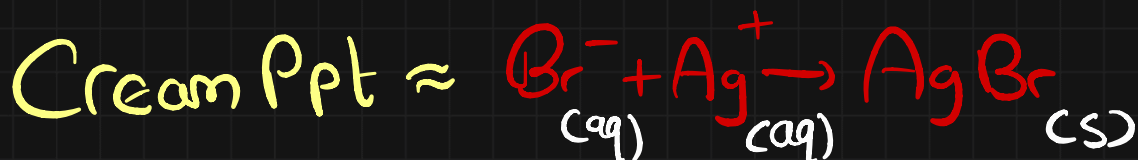
ii) Add aqueous silver nitrate (AgNO_3)



$\text{Br}^- \rightarrow$ Bromide!

i) Acidify with HNO_3

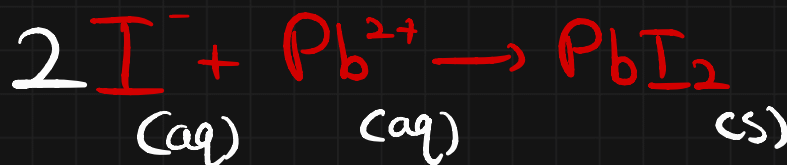
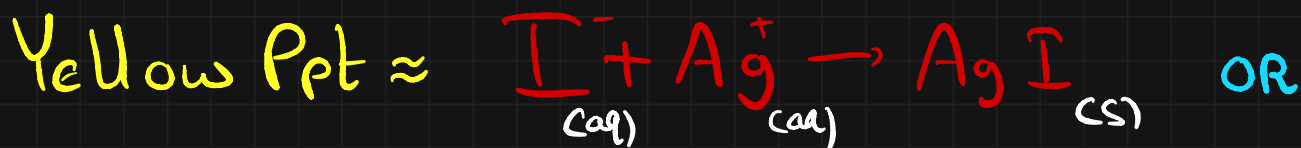
ii) Add Aq AgNO_3



$\text{I}^- \rightarrow$ Iodide!

i) Acidify with HNO_3

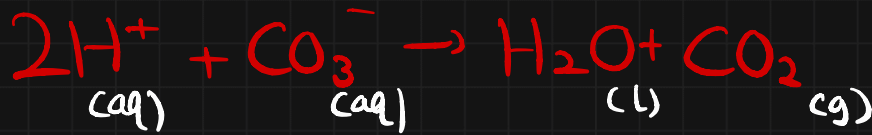
ii) Add Aq AgNO_3 / Lead Nitrate (PbNO_3)



$\text{CO}_3^{2-} \rightarrow \text{Carbonate!}$

Add dil HCl

effervesces \approx bubbles of colorless gas

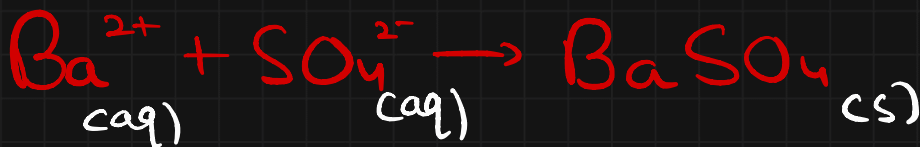


$\text{SO}_4^{2-} \rightarrow \text{Sulfate!}$

Acidify with dil HNO_3

add Barium Chloride (BaCl_2)

White Ppt \rightarrow Add dil HCl \rightarrow Ppt insoluble



$\text{SO}_3^{2-} \rightarrow \text{Sulfite!}$

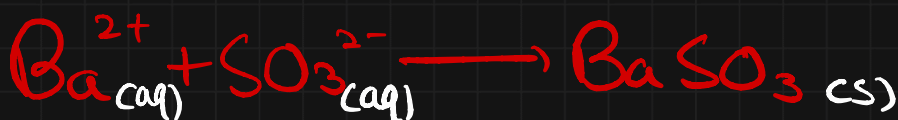
Acidify with dil HNO_3 & add BaCl_2

White Ppt \rightarrow Add dil HCl

Ppt soluble giving colorless Gas which turns

$\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$:- Orange to Green

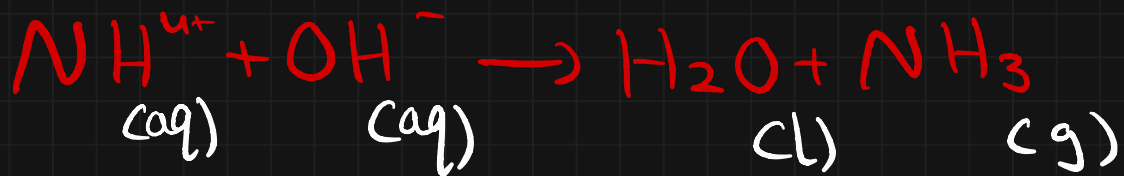
KMnO_4 :- Purple to Colorless



NH_4^+ Ammonium!

Add NaOH then heat the solution

Colorless gas, turns moist red litmus Blue!



NO_3^- Nitrate!

Add aq NaOH & Aluminium foil, then HEAT!

Colorless gas evolved, turns moist red litmus Blue!

Test For Gases

Gas	Test	Observation
H_2	Burning Splint	Burns with "Pop" Sound
O_2	Glowing Splint	Relights Glowing Splint
CO_2	Pass through lime water	turns milky / Cloudy
NH_3	Damp / moist Red Litmus Paper	Turns Blue
Cl_2	Damp / moist Blue Litmus Paper	Turns red then Bleaches
SO_2	Pass through acidified $K_2Cr_2O_7$ or $KMnO_4$	Orange to Green Purple to Colorless

Acid Bases Salts :- Keypoints! ①

- o) $H_2, O_2 \rightarrow$ Neutral Gas
- o) $NH_3 \rightarrow$ Alkaline Gas
- o) $CO_2, SO_2, Cl_2 \rightarrow$ Acidic Gas

★ $H_2 \approx$ Insoluble in water

- o) $O_2, CO_2 \approx$ Slightly soluble in water
- o) $Cl_2 \approx$ Moderately soluble in water
- o) $NH_3, SO_2 \approx$ Soluble in water

★ $H_2 \approx$ Burns !

- o) $O_2 \approx$ Helps in Burns !
- o) $CO_2 \approx$ Extinguishes !

★ Lime \approx CaO

- o) limestone \approx $CaCO_3$
- o) lime water \approx $Ca(OH)_2$

Acid Bases Salts :- Keypoints! (2)

★ $\text{Cl}_2 \approx$ 0) Disinfectant
0) Bleaching Agent

★ $\text{SO}_2 \approx$ 0) Reducing Agent
0) In Paper Industry as Bleaching agent
0) Food Preservatives

★ PH \approx depends on 2 ions only

$\text{H}^+ \rightarrow$ Acidity

$\text{OH}^- \rightarrow$ Alkalinity

★ CaO and Ca(OH)_2 used to reduce acidity of Soil!