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**Module #19:**  
**Precipitation Reactions**

Introduction/  
Context

Roman pipes at Pompei

Solution Equilibria: Solubility

In homes older than 1980 most of the plumbing is lead pipe (Pb = **plumbous**). Even in newer homes with copper pipe, solder joints are a lead/tin alloy. Even without solder joints, many of the faucet heads are machined with a 10-20% lead content brass.

The limit on lead is set to be  
 $< 5 \text{ g Pb}/10^9 \text{ g water}$   
 $< 5 \times 10^{-9} \text{ g Pb/g water}$   
 $< 5 \text{ ppb}$

What to do?

Solutions:

1. Take out all plumbing
2. Place water filtration devices at all outlets (sinks, showers, hoses).
3. Have the water department take care of it somehow.

What do you think the average homeowner prefers?

Coat the pipes from the inside out with a dense impermeable quasi-permanent layer

= insoluble salt

What makes insoluble salts?  
hint: same concepts as govern what ions are or are not spectators.

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**Review Charge Density**

$k = 8.99 \times 10^9 \frac{J \cdot m}{C^2}$  It's all about charge

Charge on object 1 or 2, in coulombs

Distance between the objects

$Energy_{electrostatic} = k \left( \frac{q_1 q_2}{d} \right)$

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$E_{el} = k \left( \frac{q_1 q_2}{r_1 + r_2} \right)$  **Coulomb's Law**

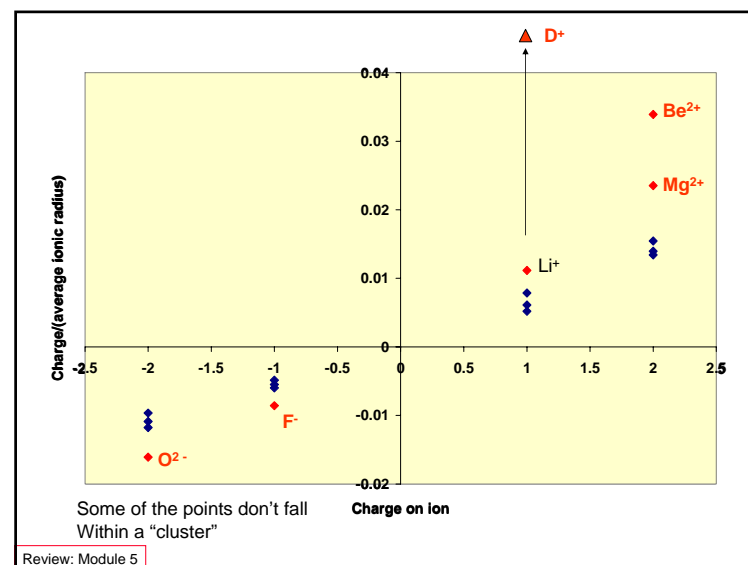
Review: Module 5

Are there differences in predicted electrostatic effect?

Ion	Symbol	Charge	Radius (pm)	Charge/radius	Notes
hydrogen	D+	1	4	0.25	H+ should behave differently
lithium	Li+	1	89.66666667	0.011152416	
sodium	Na+	1	127.4285714	0.007847534	
potassium	K+	1	164	0.006097561	
cesium	Cs+	1	192.8333333	0.005185825	
beryllium	Be2+	2	59	0.033898305	Be2+ and Mg2+ should behave differently
magnesium	Mg2+	2	85	0.023529412	
calcium	Ca2+	2	129.5	0.015444015	
strontium	Sr2+	2	143.3333333	0.013953488	
barium	Ba2+	2	149	0.013422819	
oxide	O2-	-2	124.2	-0.01610306	O2- and, maybe, S2- should behave differently
sulfide	S2-	-2	170	-0.011764706	
selenide	Se2-	-2	184	-0.010869565	
telluride	Te2-	-2	207	-0.009661836	
fluoride	F-	-1	116.625	-0.008574491	F- should behave differently
chloride	Cl-	-1	167	-0.005988024	
bromide	Br-	-1	182	-0.005494505	
iodide	I-	-1	206	-0.004854369	

$E_{el} = k \left( \frac{q_1 q_2}{r_1 + r_2} \right)$

Review: Module 5



(a) N—O  $\pi$  bond in one of the resonance structures of  $\text{NO}_3^-$ .

(b) Delocalization of the  $\pi$  bonds in the  $\text{NO}_3^-$  ion.

Low charge Density  
NOT an Alpha dog

Charge is Distributed Throughout The volume

Review: Module 5

**Who precipitates and who stays soluble?**  
Depends upon who reacts with whom?

	Low Charge Density Intermediate Charge Density High Charge Density					
	No	Clean	Socks	Oh	Card me	PleeeeeeSe!!
	$\text{NO}_3^-$	$\text{Cl}^-$	$\text{SO}_4^{2-}$	$\text{OH}^-$	$\text{CO}_3^{2-}$	$\text{PO}_4^{3-}$ $\text{S}^{2-}$
Group 1 cations (1+) $\text{NH}_4^+$	Weak Electrostatic Interaction = Soluble					
Group 2 lg cations (2+)			$\text{BaSO}_4$	$\text{Mg(OH)}_2$		
Transition metal cations (usually sm size 2+)		$\text{AgCl}$			Strong Electrostatic Interaction results in precipitation	

**Extremes**

- Low-Low charge density ion interactions - weak electrostatic energy **Stay soluble**
- High-High charge density ion interactions - strong electrostatic energy **Precipitate**
- High-Intermediate charge density ion interactions - generally strong electrostatic energy - **precipitate**

**In Between**

- Low-High charge density ion interactions - generally weak electrostatic energy: **Soluble with exceptions**
- Low-Intermediate charge density ion interactions - generally weak electrostatic energy: **Soluble with exceptions**
- Intermediate-Intermediate - charge density ion interactions - generally weak electrostatic energy: **soluble with exceptions**

**Who gives up and who holds onto a hydroxide?**

	Low Charge Density Intermediate Charge Density High Charge Density					
	No	Clean	Socks	Oh	Card me	PleeeeeeSe!!
	$\text{NO}_3^-$	$\text{Cl}^-$	$\text{SO}_4^{2-}$	$\text{OH}^-$	$\text{CO}_3^{2-}$	$\text{PO}_4^{3-}$ $\text{S}^{2-}$
$\text{H}^+$	<b>STRONG acids</b>				<b>WEAK acids</b>	
Group 1 cations (1+)						
Group 2 cations (2+)				<b>Strong Bases</b>		

Weak bases are produced by an alternative manner

Review Acid Base Definitions: Module 6

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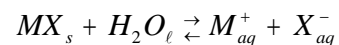
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**Solubility Product,  $K_{sp}$**

Mathematically Express These Concepts:  
(Memorization Table is a short hand)



$$K_{eq} = \frac{[M_{aq}^+][X_{aq}^-]}{[MX_s][H_2O_\ell]}$$

Didn't we learn  
A trick about this?

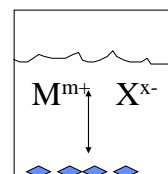
$$K_{solubility\ product} = K_{eq}[H_2O_\ell] = 55K_{eq} = \frac{[M_{aq}^+][X_{aq}^-]}{[MX_s]} = [M_{aq}^+][X_{aq}^-]$$

$$K_{sp} = [M_{aq}^+][X_{aq}^-]$$

The smaller K, the less aquated ions, the  
less soluble the material

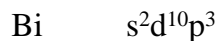
## Solubility Constants

Numbers are determined from measuring  
the amount of stuff in solution.



**Example 1:** Calculate the  $K_{sp}$  of Bismuth sulfide  
if there is  $1.0 \times 10^{-15}$  mol/L of the compound  
in solution at 25 °C.

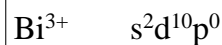
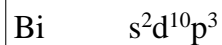
Bismuth is a post transition metal with  
the electronic configuration of?:



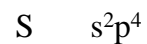
What do you think it will do to become  
a cation?

Calculate the  $K_{sp}$  of Bismuth sulfide  
if there is  $1.0 \times 10^{-15}$  mol/L of the compound  
in solution at 25 °C.

Lose three e



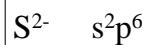
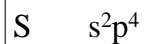
The electron configuration on S is:



What will it do to get to the noble gas?

Calculate the  $K_{sp}$  of Bismuth sulfide  
if there is  $1.0 \times 10^{-15}$  mol/L of the compound  
in solution at 25 °C.

Gain two e:

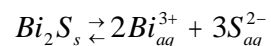


Formula?:  $Bi^{3+}$  with  $S^{2-}$



Calculate the Ksp of Bismuth sulfide if there is  $1.0 \times 10^{-15}$  mol/L of the compound in solution at 25C.

Reaction?:



$$K_{sp} = [A]^a [B]^b$$

$$K_{sp} = [Bi_{aq}^{3+}]^2 [S_{aq}^{2-}]^3$$

Now What?

What do we know/don't know/want?

$$\text{solubility of solid} \equiv s = 1.0 \times 10^{-15} \frac{\text{mole}}{L}$$

Calculate the Ksp of Bismuth sulfide if there is  $1.0 \times 10^{-15}$  mol/L of the compound in solution at 25C.

	$Bi_2S_3(\text{solid})$	$2Bi_{\text{aquated}}^{3+}$	$+ 3S_{\text{aquated}}^{2-}$
stoic	1	2	3
Init	solid	0	0
Change	-x	+2x	+3x
Equil.	$1.0 \times 10^{-15}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-15}$	$3.0 \times 10^{-15}$

$$K_{sp} = [Bi_{aq}^{3+}]^2 [S_{aq}^{2-}]^3$$

$$K_{sp} = [2x]^2 [3x]^3$$

$$K_{sp} = 4x^2 27x^3 = 108x^5$$

$$K_{sp} = 108(1.0 \times 10^{-15})^5 = 1.08 \times 10^{-73}$$

Calculate the Ksp of Bismuth sulfide if there is  $1.0 \times 10^{-15}$  mol/L of the compound in solution at 25C.

OJO!

Or you can do it:

$$K_{sp} = [2.0 \times 10^{-15}]^2 [3.0 \times 10^{-15}]^3$$

$$K_{sp} = 1.08 \times 10^{-73}$$

For an enormous list of Ksp:

[http://www.northland.cc.mn.us/chemistry/solubility\\_products.htm](http://www.northland.cc.mn.us/chemistry/solubility_products.htm)

**Example Calculation 2** Calculate Solubility,  $s$ , and ion concentrations from  $K_{sp}$

Candidates for water treatment for lead?

	$K_{sp}$
PbF <sub>2</sub>	$4 \times 10^{-8}$
PbCl <sub>2</sub>	$1.6 \times 10^{-5}$
PbI <sub>2</sub>	$1.4 \times 10^{-8}$
PbSO <sub>4</sub>	$1.3 \times 10^{-8}$
PbCrO <sub>4</sub>	$2 \times 10^{-16}$
PbCO <sub>3</sub>	$1.5 \times 10^{-15}$
Pb(OH) <sub>2</sub>	$1.2 \times 10^{-15}$
PbS	$7 \times 10^{-29}$
Pb <sub>3</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	$1 \times 10^{-54}$

Criteria you will use?

Solubility =  $s$  = amount of **compound** that is soluble in water

Do our "rules" clue us to  $K_{sp}$  values?

	$\text{Pb}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2 \rightleftharpoons 3\text{Pb}^{2+} + 2\text{PO}_4^{3-}$		
stoic	1	3	2
Init	solid	0	0
Change	-x	3x	2x
Equil?	-	3x	2x

$$K_{sp} = 1.0 \times 10^{-54} = [\text{Pb}_{aq}^{2+}]^3 [\text{PO}_{aq}^{3-}]^2 \quad x = s = 6.2 \times 10^{-12}$$

$$K_{sp} = 1.0 \times 10^{-54} = [3x]^3 [2x]^2 \quad \text{OJO!} \quad \text{Are we done?}$$

$$K_{sp} = 1.0 \times 10^{-54} = 27x^3 4x^2 = 108x^5 \quad \text{No, need } [\text{Pb}^{2+}]$$

$$\sqrt[5]{\frac{1.0 \times 10^{-54}}{108}} = x = s \quad [\text{Pb}_{aq}^{2+}] = 3x = 3(6.2 \times 10^{-12})$$

$$\sqrt[5]{9.27 \times 10^{-57}} = x = s \quad [\text{Pb}_{aq}^{2+}] = 1.8 \times 10^{-11}$$

Is this below the federal standards (5 ppb)?

Yes:  $[\text{Pb}_{aq}^{2+}] = 1.8 \times 10^{-11}$

$$\left(1.8 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{mole Pb}}{\text{L}}\right) \left(\frac{1 \text{ L}}{10^3 \text{ g water}}\right) \left(\frac{207 \text{ g Pb}}{\text{mole}}\right) = 3.85 \times 10^{-12} \frac{\text{g Pb}}{\text{g water}}$$

$$\left(3.85 \times 10^{-12} \frac{\text{g Pb}}{\text{g water}}\right) \left(\frac{10^9}{10^9}\right) = \frac{3.85 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g Pb}}{10^9 \text{ g water}} = 3.85 \times 10^{-3} \text{ ppb}$$



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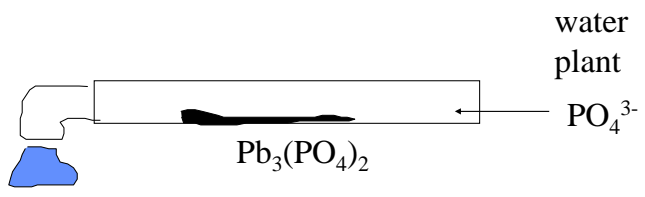
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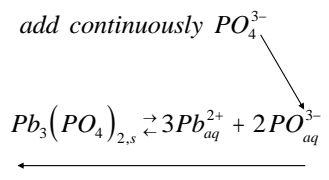
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**Common Ion Effects**

Will the actual amount of lead be more or less than this value?



LeC principle: **Common ion effect**



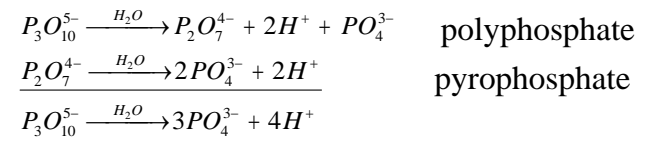
Constant flow of phosphate will suppress lead dissociation, value should be even lower.

[http://www.caruschem.com/phosphate\\_zpoly.htm](http://www.caruschem.com/phosphate_zpoly.htm)

Name	formula	MM	
Zinc orthophosphate	$Zn_3(PO_4)_2$	386.05	$K_{spZn_3(PO_4)_2} = 9.0 \times 10^{-33}$
	$Zn_3(PO_{aq}^{3-})_2 = Zn_3P_2O_6$		 $Zn^{++}$ $Zn^{++}$ $Zn^{++}$
Zinc pyrophosphate	$Zn_2P_2O_7$	304.685	$s_{Zn_2P_2O_7} = \frac{3lbs}{1gal}$
			 $Zn^{++}$ $Zn^{++}$

$$s = \left[ \frac{3lb}{gal} \right] \left[ \frac{1gal}{3.785L} \right] \left[ \frac{453.6g}{1lb} \right] \left[ \frac{1mole}{386.05} \right] = \frac{0.9336moles}{L} = 0.9336M$$

Water quality plants use either polyphosphate Or pyrophosphate (NOT orthophosphate)



**Example Calculation 3Common Ion** What will be the solubility of lead if a constant stream of 0.001 M phosphate is fed through the water system?

Notice the set up here

1. Looks like accounting for H+ from water
2. Called a "common ion" (ion from another rx)

	$Zn_2P_2O_7$	$2Zn^{2+}$	$2PO_4^{3-}$
			<b>0.001</b>
	$Pb_3(PO_4)_2$	$3Pb^{2+}$	$+ 2PO_4^{3-}$
stoic	1	3	2
Init	solid	<b>0</b>	<b>0.001</b>
Change	-x	<b>+3x</b>	<b>+2x</b>
Equil?	-	<b>3x</b>	<b>0.001+2x</b>
Assume		<b>3x</b>	<b>0.001</b>

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stoic	1	3	2
Init	solid	0	<b>0.001</b>
Change	-x	<b>3x</b>	<b>2x</b>
Equil?	-	<b>3x</b>	<b>0.001+2x</b>
Assume		<b>3x</b>	<b>0.001</b>

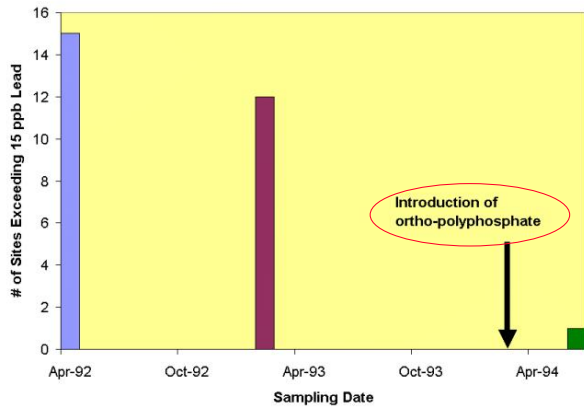
$$K_{sp} = 1 \times 10^{-54} = [Pb^{2+}]^3 [PO_4^{3-}]^2 \quad \sqrt[3]{\frac{1 \times 10^{-54}}{27 \times 10^{-6}}} = x \quad [Pb_{aq}^{2+}] = 3x$$

$$K_{sp} = 1 \times 10^{-54} = [3x]^3 (10^{-3})^2 \quad \sqrt[3]{3.7 \times 10^{-50}} = x \quad [Pb_{aq}^{2+}] = 3(3.47 \times 10^{-17})$$

$$K_{sp} = 1 \times 10^{-54} = 27x^3 (10^{-6}) \quad x = 3.47 \times 10^{-17} \quad [Pb_{aq}^{2+}] = 1.04 \times 10^{-16}$$

$$2x = 2(3.47 \times 10^{-17}) < 0.001? \quad [Pb_{aq}^{2+}]_{no\ phosphate} = 1.8 \times 10^{-11}$$

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Proprietary license



Western suburbs  
Chicago Tribune, 2001

Phosphate coating

1. lowers total volume
2. Creates friction
3. Increases energy cost
4. Lowers life span

Suburbs want  
compensation from  
Chicago



LeC principle: Common ion effect  
 Can help ppt  
 Can prevent ppt  
 Addition of phosphate should suppress solubility

add continuously  $\rightarrow \text{Zn}_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_7 \xrightarrow{\text{complete}} 2\text{Zn}_{aq}^{2+} + 2\text{PO}_{aq}^{3-} + 2\text{H}^+$

$$\text{Pb}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2 \rightleftharpoons 3\text{Pb}_{aq}^{2+} + 2\text{PO}_{aq}^{3-}$$

$$\text{PO}_{aq}^{3-} + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{HPO}_{aq}^{2-} + \text{H}_2\text{O}_l$$

$$\text{Pb}_{aq}^{2+} + \text{OH}_{aq}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Pb}(\text{OH})_{aq}^+$$

Removal of phosphate  
 Under acidic conditions  
 Should enhance solubility

Removal of lead  
 Under basic conditions  
 Should also enhance solubility

American Waterworks Association

Hydroxide (pH) vs Carbonate

Solubility, s,  
 Depends on pH  
 is high at High pH,  $\text{Pb}(\text{OH})_3^-$   
 and high at low pH,  $\text{Pb}^{2+}$

At intermediate pH  
 $\text{Pb}(\text{OH})_2$  drops out soln  
 At high carbonate  
 $\text{PbCO}_3$  should drop,  
 BUT not very insoluble

Suppress effects  
 With phosphate  
 NOTE Scale change!

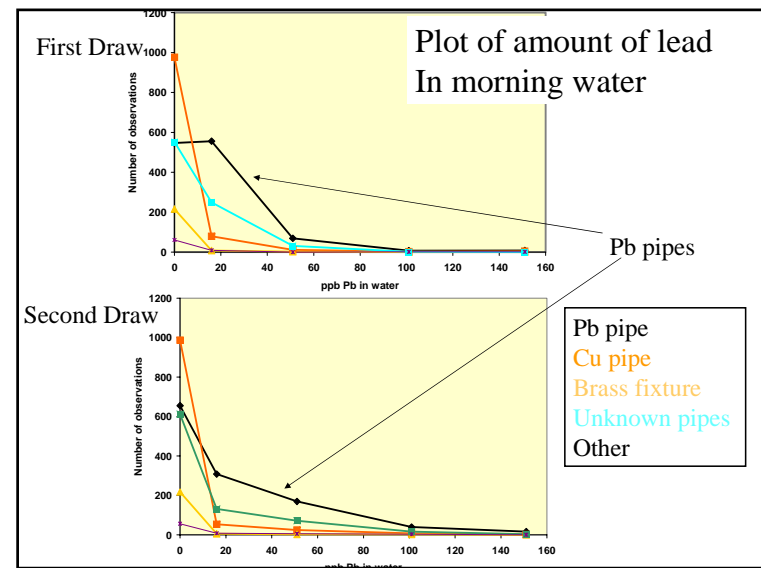
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**Qualitative Analysis: Intro**

METHOD OF DETECTING LEAD, WHEN CONTAINED IN WATER.

ONE of the most delicate tests for detecting lead, is water impregnated with sulphuretted hydrogen gas, which instantly imparts to the fluid containing the minutest quantity of lead, a brown or blackish tinge.

take one part of sulphuret of antimony of commerce, break it into pieces of half the size of split peas, put it into the flask, and pour upon it four parts of common concentrated muriatic acid (spirit of salt of commerce). Sulphuretted hydrogen gas will become disengaged from the materials in abundance, and pass through the water in the vial (c). Let the extrication of the gas

**PbS**

Muriatic acid  
“of or pertaining to brine Or salt” HCl

Qualitative Analysis

1820  
Frederick Acun  
London

First known text on chemical (as opposed of alchemical) analysis

Qualitative Analysis

Oh	hydroxide	OH <sup>-</sup>
Card	Carbonate	CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-2</sup>
me		
Plea	Phosphate	PO <sub>4</sub> <sup>3-</sup>
S	Sulfide	S <sup>2-</sup>

$$M^{2+} + X^{x-} \leftarrow \text{precipitate} \quad M(OH)_{2,s}$$

$$+ \quad nL^{x-} \quad MS$$

$$\downarrow \quad MCO_3$$

$$ML_{n,aq}^b \quad M_3(PO_4)_2$$

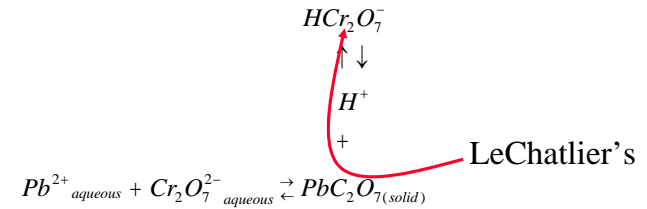
Move back and forth between **precipitate** And **soluble species**

Preceding example was:  
How to get rid of  $Pb^{2+}$  by precipitation  
as a phosphate

Next example:  
How to bring it back into solution  
a. With acid  
b. With a ligand

### Dissolving Precipitates

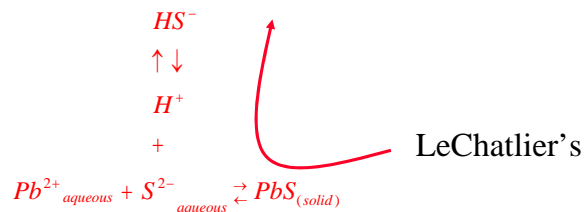
1. **Strong acid**



Acid dissolves: **chromates**; carbonates, sulfides,

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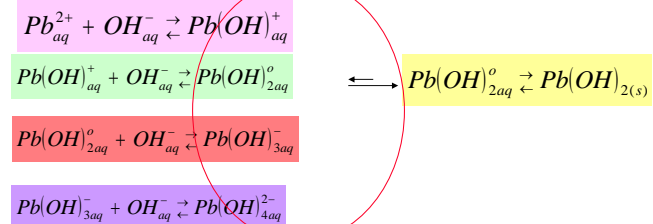
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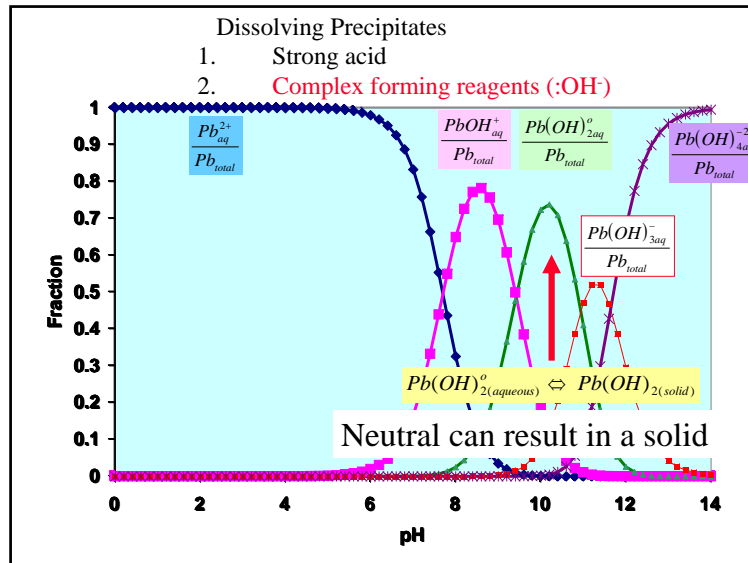
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### Dissolving Precipitates

1. **Strong acid**
2. **Complex forming reagents (:NH<sub>3</sub>, :OH<sup>-</sup>)**



Complexes



Ligands like :NH<sub>3</sub> and :OH<sup>-</sup> can bring various precipitates into solution

Complex	K <sub>f</sub>	Complex	K <sub>f</sub>
Ag(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup>	1.8x10 <sup>7</sup>	Zn(OH) <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	3x10 <sup>14</sup>
Cu(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> <sup>2+</sup>	2x10 <sup>12</sup>	Cd(OH) <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	1.2x10 <sup>9</sup>
Zn(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> <sup>2+</sup>	3.6x10 <sup>8</sup>	Al(OH) <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	1x10 <sup>33</sup>
Cd(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> <sup>2+</sup>	2.8x10 <sup>7</sup>	Sb(OH) <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	
Ni(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>6</sub> <sup>2+</sup>	9x10 <sup>8</sup>	Sn(OH) <sub>6</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	

Hold Coordination Number constant

What do you observe?

Size matters: the larger the cation (less charge dense) the smaller the K<sub>f</sub>

ligand: :NH<sub>3</sub>

LeChatlier's Principle

Bring Silver Into solution

$$Ag^+_{aqueous} + Cl^-_{aqueous} \rightleftharpoons AgCl_{(solid)}$$

+

$$2NH_{3,aqueous}$$

↑ ↓

$$Ag(NH_3)_2^+_{(aqueous)}$$

**Example 4:** Calculate moles AgCl dissolved in 1 L of 6.0 M NH<sub>3</sub> at a temperature of 298 K

	Know	Don't Know	Red Herring	
	6.0 M NH <sub>3</sub>	s	298K	
reaction		K <sub>rxn</sub>		
	AgCl <sub>(solid)</sub> ⇌ Ag <sup>+</sup> <sub>aqueous</sub> + Cl <sup>-</sup> <sub>aqueous</sub>	K <sub>sp</sub> = 1.8x10 <sup>-10</sup>		
	Ag <sup>+</sup> <sub>aqueous</sub> + 2NH <sub>3, aq</sub> ⇌ Ag(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup> <sub>aqueous</sub>	K <sub>f</sub> = 1.7x10 <sup>7</sup>		
	AgCl <sub>(solid)</sub> + 2NH <sub>3, aq</sub> ⇌ Ag(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup> <sub>aqueous</sub> + Cl <sup>-</sup> <sub>aqueous</sub>			
	$K_{reaction} = K_{sp} K_f = (1.8 \times 10^{-10})(1.7 \times 10^7) = 3.1 \times 10^{-3}$			
stoic	AgCl <sub>s</sub>	[NH <sub>3</sub> ]	[Ag(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup> ]	[Cl <sup>-</sup> ]
Init	n.a.	2	1	1
Change		6.0 M	0	0
Equil		-2x	x	x
		6.0-2x	x	x

**Example:** Calculate moles AgCl dissolved in 1 L of **6.0 M** NH<sub>3</sub> at a temperature of 298 K

	AgCl <sub>s</sub>	[NH <sub>3</sub> ]	[Ag(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup> ]	[Cl <sup>-</sup> ]
stoic	n.a.	2	1	1
init		<b>6.0 M</b>	0	0
change		-2x	x	x
equil		<b>6.0-2x</b>	x	x

$$K_{\text{reaction}} = 3.1 \times 10^{-3} = \frac{[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2^+][\text{Cl}^-]}{[\text{NH}_3]^2}$$

X = moles complex  
= moles AgCl dissolved

$$0.0556(6.0 - 2x) = x$$

$$3.1 \times 10^{-3} = \frac{x[x]}{[6.0 - 2x]^2}$$

$$0.334 - 0.1112x = x$$

$$\sqrt{3.1 \times 10^{-3}} = \frac{x}{6.0 - 2x}$$

$$0.334 = 1.1112x$$

$$x = 0.300216$$

We can calculate the solubility of AgCl as a function of the ammonia concentration

$$K_{\text{reaction}} = 3.1 \times 10^{-3} = \frac{[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2^+][\text{Cl}^-]}{[\text{NH}_3]^2}$$

$$\frac{(\sqrt{K_{\text{rx}}})[\text{NH}_3]_{\text{init}}}{(1 + 2\sqrt{K_{\text{rx}}})} = x$$

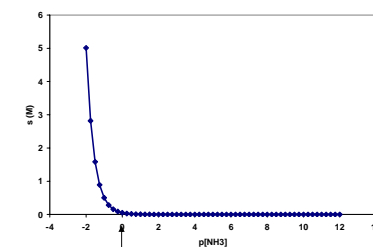
$$K_{\text{rx}} = \frac{x[x]}{[\text{NH}_3]_{\text{init}} - 2x]^2}$$

$$\sqrt{K_{\text{rx}}} = \frac{x}{[\text{NH}_3]_{\text{init}} - 2x}$$

$$(\sqrt{K_{\text{rx}}})[\text{NH}_3]_{\text{init}} - 2x = x$$

$$(\sqrt{K_{\text{rx}}})[\text{NH}_3]_{\text{init}} = x + 2x(\sqrt{K_{\text{rx}}})$$

$$(\sqrt{K_{\text{rx}}})[\text{NH}_3]_{\text{init}} = x(1 + 2\sqrt{K_{\text{rx}}})$$



AgCl becomes soluble  
Around 1 M ammonia



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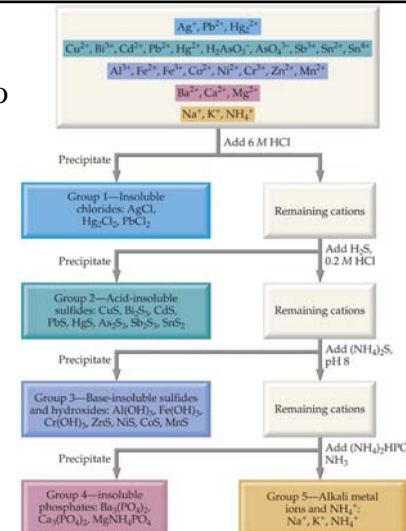
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**Precipitation Reactions**

**Qualitative Analysis:**  
**Cl to separate Pb, Hg<sub>2</sub><sup>2+</sup>, Ag**

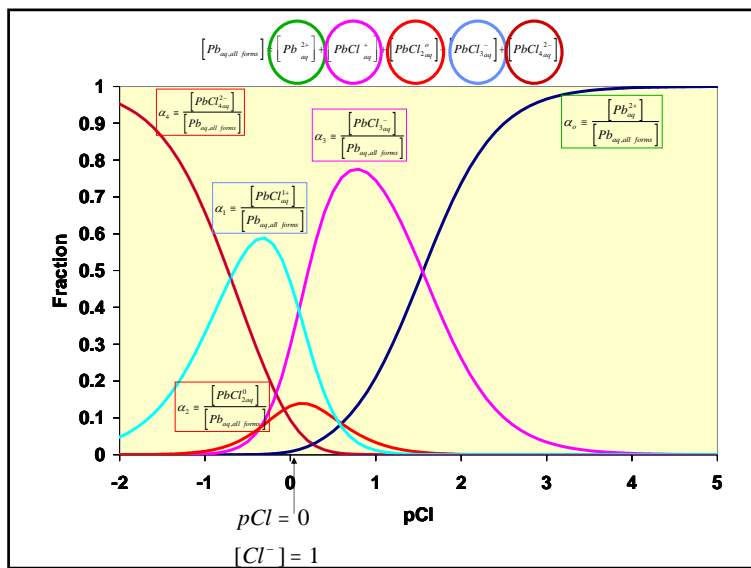
Using pH and  
complexation to  
Separate Ions  
For Qualitative  
Analysis



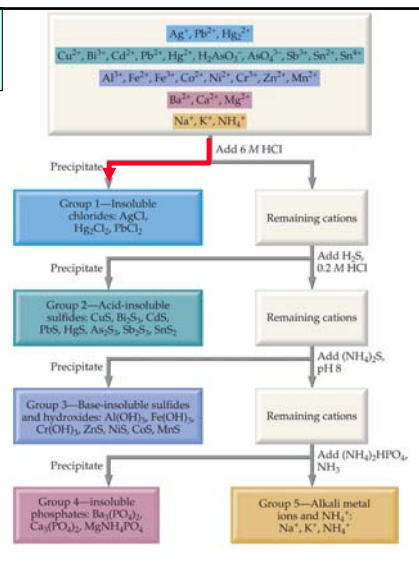
Separation in lab is not always the same  
As in the text.

Text starts with 6 M Cl<sup>-</sup> = pCl = -.778

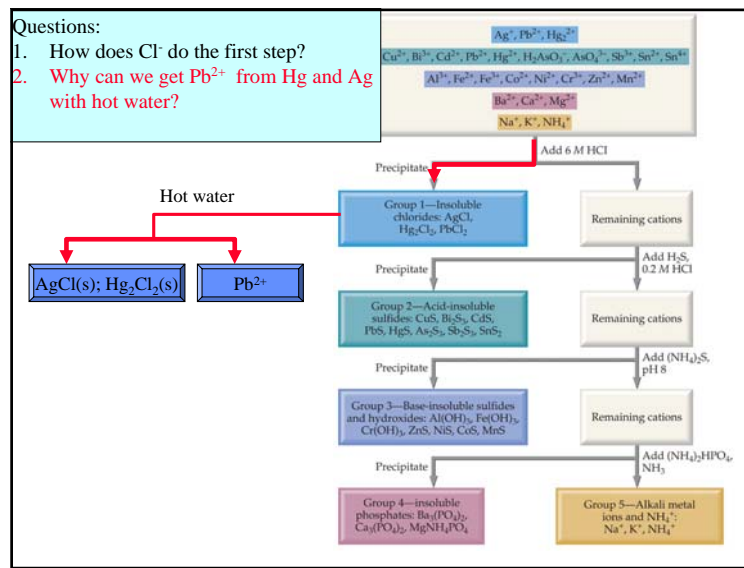
The separation below  
Corresponds to  
What goes on in lab

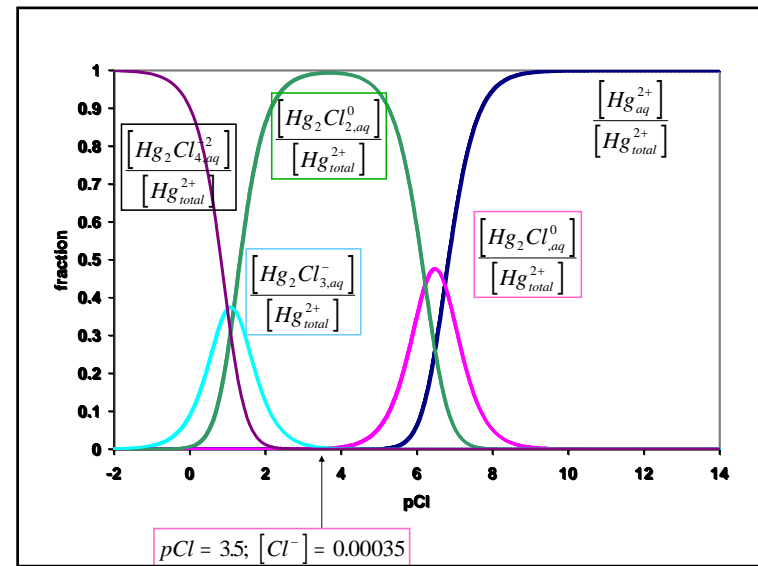
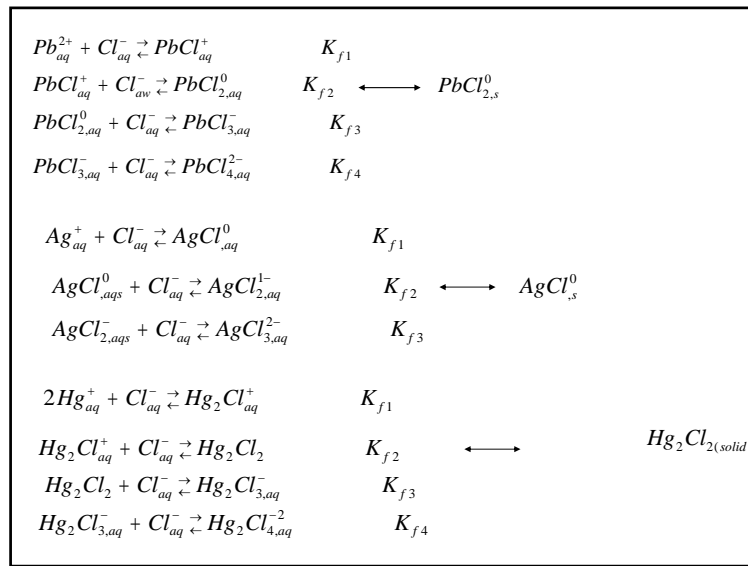
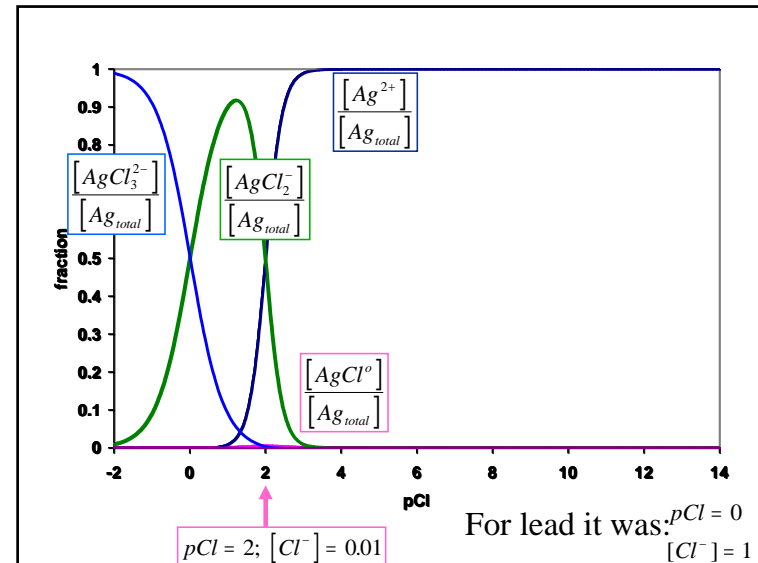
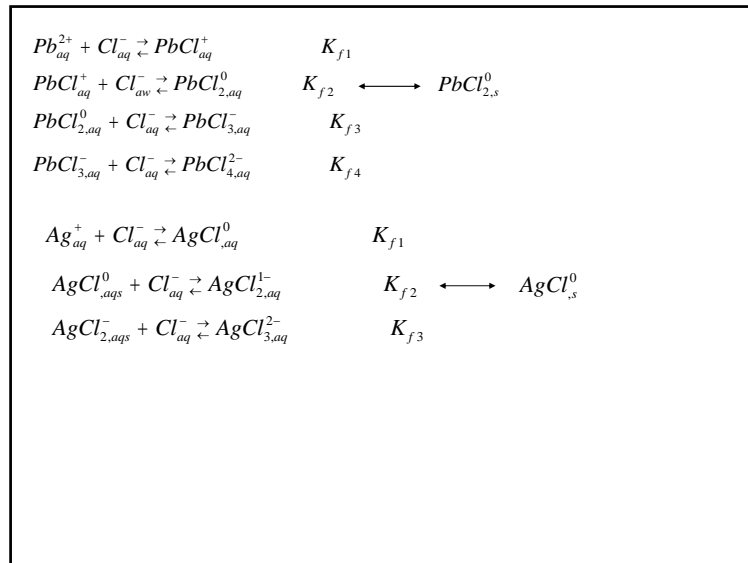


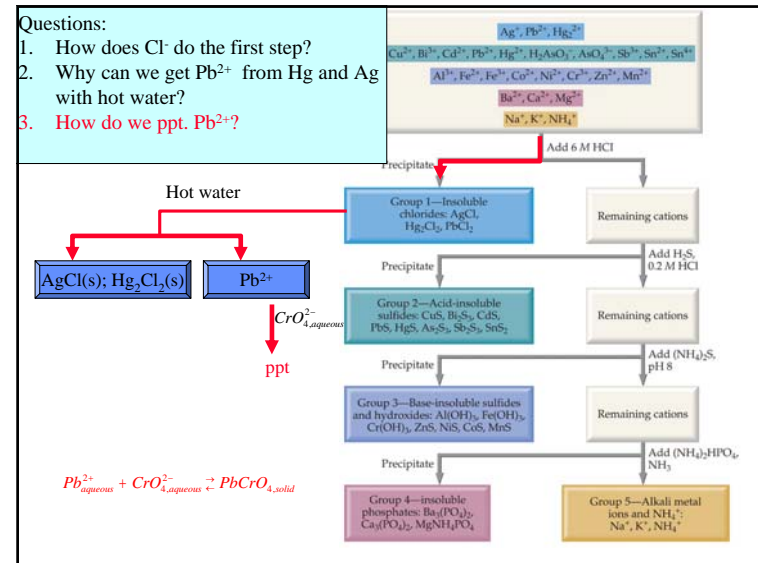
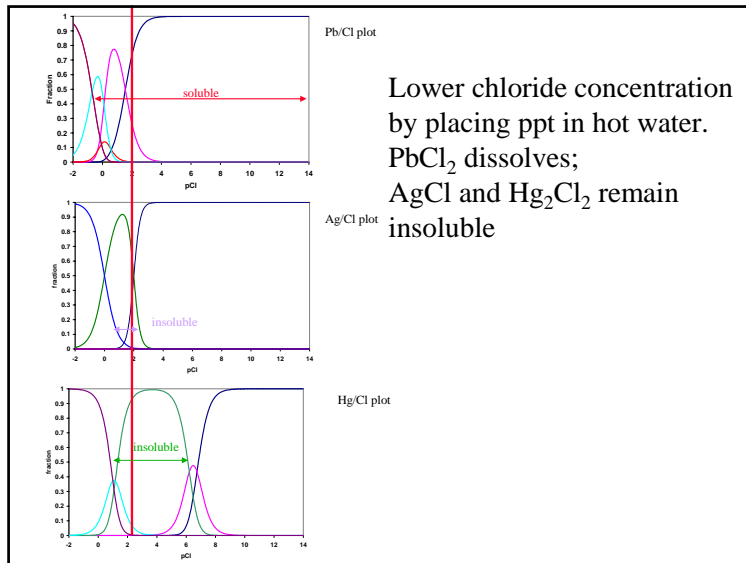
Questions:  
1. How does Cl<sup>-</sup> do the first step?



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2. Why can we get Pb<sup>2+</sup> from Hg and Ag with hot water?







Candidates for precipitating  $Pb^{2+}$  from supernatant?

	$K_{sp, Pb}$	Cd	Zn
$PbF_2$	$4 \times 10^{-8}$	-	-
$PbCl_2$	$1.6 \times 10^{-5}$	-	-
$PbI_2$	$1.4 \times 10^{-8}$	-	-
$PbSO_4$	$1.3 \times 10^{-8}$	-	-
$PbCrO_4$	$2 \times 10^{-16}$	-	-
$PbCO_3$	$1.5 \times 10^{-15}$	$5.5 \times 10^{-13}$	-
$Pb(OH)_2$	$1.2 \times 10^{-15}$	$6.45 \times 10^{-6}$	$6.3 \times 10^{-17}$
$PbS$	$7 \times 10^{-29}$	-	$1.99 \times 10^{-25}$
$Pb_3(PO_4)_2$	$1 \times 10^{-54}$	-	$3.8 \times 10^{-36}$

$OH^-, CO_3^{2-}$  bring  $Cd^{2+}$

$S^{2-}, PO_4^{3-}$  bring  $Zn^{2+}$

Need very insoluble species, that doesn't bring along Cd or Zn

Makes a very nice, older, chrome pigment!!

**Example Calculation 5.** Before lead in paint was discontinued, lead chromate was a common pigment in yellow paint. A 1.0 L solution is prepared by mixing 0.50 mg of lead nitrate with 0.020 mg of potassium chromate. Will a precipitate form?

P is like Q

$P > K_{sp}; ppt \text{ forms}$

$P = [Pb^{2+}][CrO_4^{2-}] > K_{sp} (2 \times 10^{-16}) ?$

$\frac{\text{mole}}{331 \text{ g } Pb(NO_3)_2} \left( \frac{0.50 \text{ mg } Pb(NO_3)_2}{10^3 \text{ mg}} \right) \left( \frac{1 \text{ g}}{10^3 \text{ mg}} \right) = 1.51 \times 10^{-6} M Pb^{2+}$

$\frac{\text{mole}}{194.2 \text{ g } K_2CrO_4} \left( \frac{0.020 \text{ mg } K_2CrO_4}{10^3 \text{ mg}} \right) \left( \frac{1 \text{ g}}{10^3 \text{ mg}} \right) = 1.029 \times 10^{-7} M CrO_4^{2-}$

$P = (1.51 \times 10^{-6})(1.029 \times 10^{-7}) = 1.554 \times 10^{-13} > K_{sp} (2 \times 10^{-16})$



Questions:

- How does Cl<sup>-</sup> do the first step?
- Why can we get Pb<sup>2+</sup> from Hg and Ag with hot water?
- How do we ppt. Pb<sup>2+</sup>?
- What is the purpose of NH<sub>3</sub> to get Ag<sup>+</sup>?

Hot water

Group 1—insoluble chlorides: AgCl, Hg<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, PbCl<sub>2</sub>

Group 2—Acid-insoluble sulfides: CuS, Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>, CdS, PbS, HgS, As<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>, Sb<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>, SnS<sub>2</sub>

Group 3—Base-insoluble sulfides and hydroxides: Al(OH)<sub>3</sub>, Fe(OH)<sub>3</sub>, Cr(OH)<sub>3</sub>, ZnS, NiS, CoS, MnS

Group 4—insoluble phosphates: Ba<sub>3</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, Ca<sub>3</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, MgNH<sub>4</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>

Group 5—Alkali metal ions and NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>: Na<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>

Chemical reactions:

$$Ag^+_{aqueous} + NH_3_{aqueous} \rightleftharpoons AgNH_2(s) + H^+$$

$$AgNH_2(s) + NH_3_{aqueous} \rightleftharpoons Ag(NH_3)_2^+$$

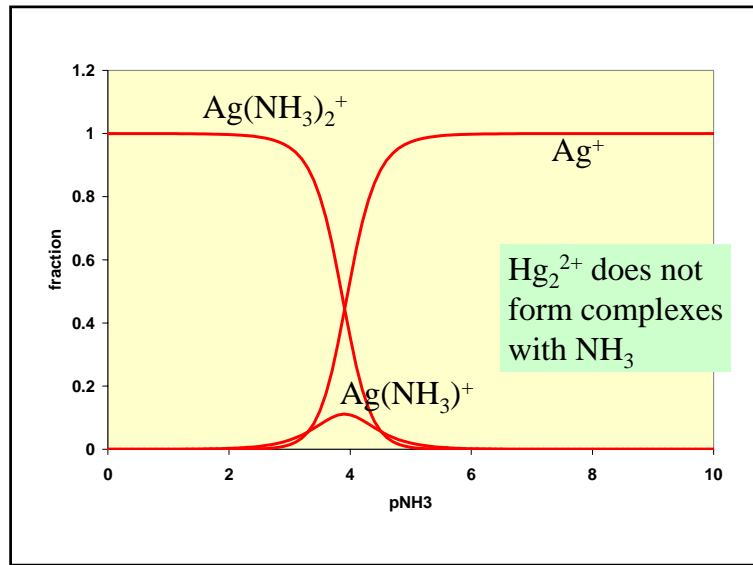
We did an example in which we calculated the Solubility of AgCl in the presence of ammonia

$$AgCl_{(solid)} \rightleftharpoons Ag^+_{aqueous} + Cl^-_{aqueous} \quad K_{sp} = 1.8 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$Ag^+_{aqueous} + 2NH_3_{aq} \rightleftharpoons Ag(NH_3)_2^+_{aq} \quad K_f = 1.7 \times 10^7$$

$$AgCl_{(solid)} + 2NH_3_{aq} \rightleftharpoons Ag(NH_3)_2^+_{aq} + Cl^-_{aqueous} \quad K_{reaction} = 3.1 \times 10^{-3}$$

Which number is larger?  
Which has the higher solubility?  
water or ammonia

$$\frac{(\sqrt{K_{rx}})[NH_3]_{init}}{(1 + 2\sqrt{K_{rx}})} = x$$


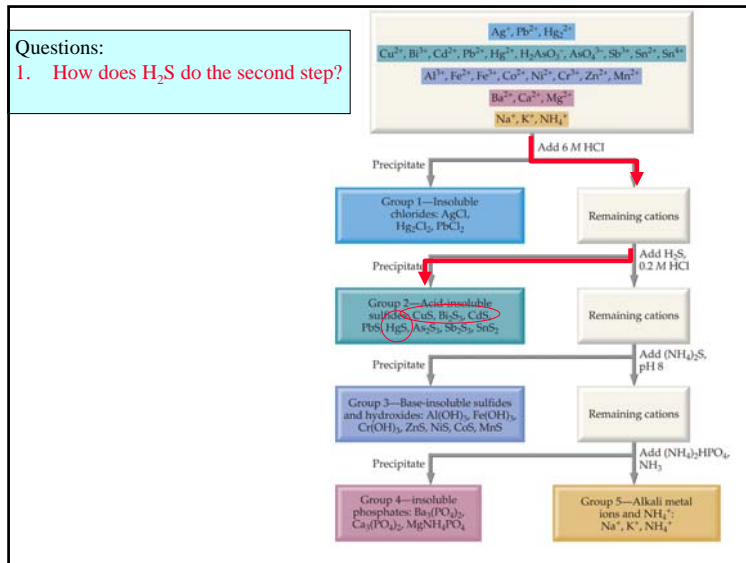
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**Module #19:**  
**Precipitation Reactions**

**Qualitative Analysis:**  
**S to separate Cu<sup>2+</sup>, Hg<sup>+</sup>, Bi<sup>3+</sup>, Cd<sup>2+</sup>**



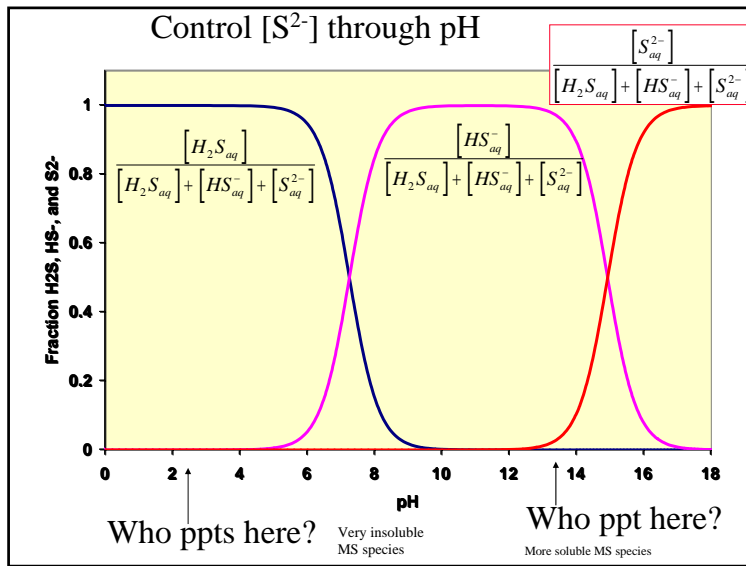
Cation	logK <sub>sp</sub> S <sup>2-</sup>
Cu <sup>2+</sup>	-48.5
Bi <sup>3+</sup>	-52.7
Hg <sup>2+</sup>	-52.7
Cd <sup>2+</sup>	-27.0
Al <sup>3+</sup>	
Fe <sup>3+</sup>	
Cr <sup>3+</sup>	
Mn <sup>2+</sup>	-10.5
Zn <sup>2+</sup>	-24.7
Ba <sup>2+</sup>	-
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	-

**Strong precipitators with S<sup>2-</sup>, will ppt at very low [S<sup>2-</sup>]**  
**Weak Precipitators with [S<sup>2-</sup>], Will ppt only at higher [S<sup>2-</sup>]**

How can we control [S<sup>2-</sup>] Easily?

$$H_2S_{aq} \rightleftharpoons H^+ + HS_{aq}^- \quad K_{a1}$$

$$HS_{aq}^- \rightleftharpoons H^+ + S_{aq}^{2-} \quad K_{a2}$$

$$H_2S_{aq} \rightleftharpoons 2H^+ + S_{aq}^{2-} \quad K_{a1}K_{a2}$$


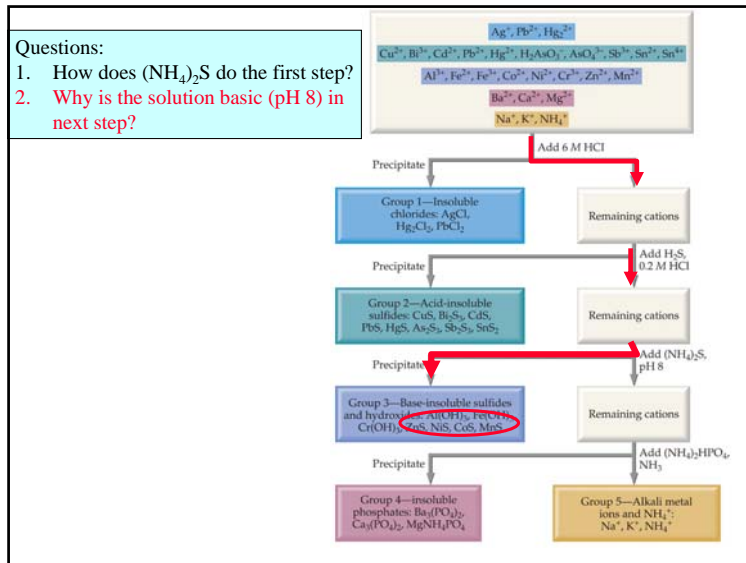
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**Qualitative Analysis: S to separate Zn<sup>2+</sup>, Co<sup>2+</sup>, Mn<sup>2+</sup>, Ni<sup>2+</sup>**



	$\log K_{sp} \text{ S}^{2-}$	
$\text{Cu}^{2+}$	-48.5	Strong precipitators with $\text{S}^{2-}$ , will ppt at very low $[\text{S}^{2-}]$
$\text{Bi}^{3+}$	-52.7	
$\text{Hg}^{2+}$	-27.0	
$\text{Cd}^{2+}$	-27.0	
$\text{Al}^{3+}$		Intermediate: need relatively larger values of $[\text{S}^{2-}]$ ppt
$\text{Fe}^{3+}$		
$\text{Cr}^{3+}$		
$\text{Mn}^{2+}$	-10.5	
$\text{Zn}^{2+}$	-24.7	
$\text{Ba}^{2+}$	-	Do not ppt at any value of $[\text{S}^{2-}]$
$\text{Ca}^{2+}$	-	

$2\text{M NH}_4^+$ ;  $5\text{M NH}_3$ ;  $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{S}$  } Ppt out sulfides

Buffer pH to basic solution of 9.599 to ppt hydroxides

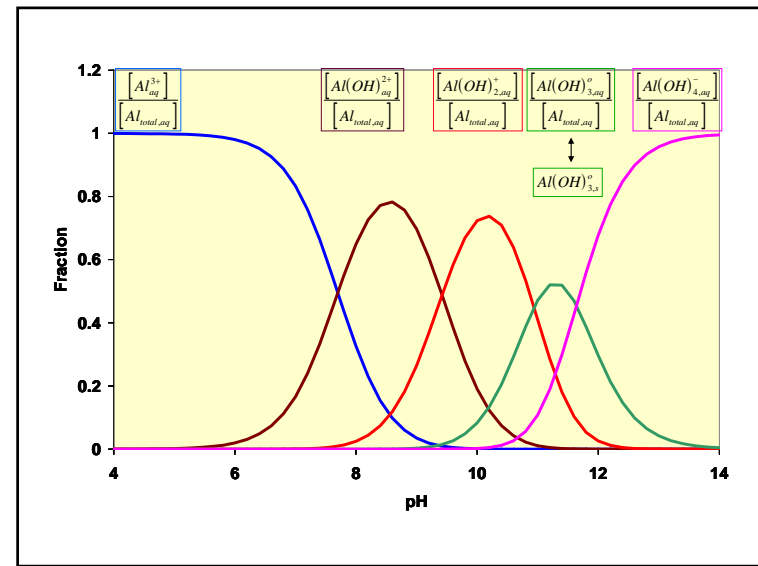
$$\text{NH}_4^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{NH}_3 + \text{H}^+ \quad K_a = 5.6 \times 10^{-10}$$

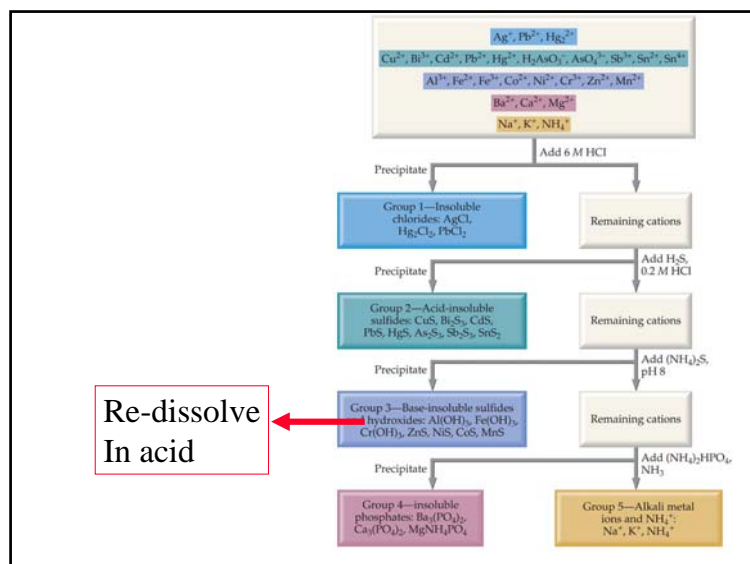
$$\text{pH} = \text{p}K_a + \log \frac{[\text{A}]}{[\text{HA}]}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log(5.6 \times 10^{-10}) + \log \frac{5\text{M}}{2\text{M}}$$

$$\text{pH} = 9.25 + 0.397 = 9.65$$

$\text{Al}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  come along as a hydroxides





### Dissolving Precipitates

1. **Strong acid**
2. **Complex forming reagents (:NH<sub>3</sub>, :OH<sup>-</sup>)**

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{HCO}_3^- \\
 \uparrow \downarrow \\
 \text{H}^+ \\
 + \\
 \text{Pb}^{2+}_{\text{aqueous}} + \text{CO}_3^{2-}_{\text{aqueous}} \rightleftharpoons \text{PbCO}_3(\text{solid})
 \end{array}$$

LeChatlier's

Acid dissolves: carbonates; sulfides, hydroxides

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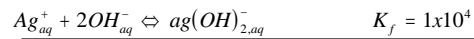
**Qualitative Analysis: Separating Zn<sup>2+</sup> And Al<sup>3+</sup>, from the sulfides By OH complexation**

Re-dissolve In acid

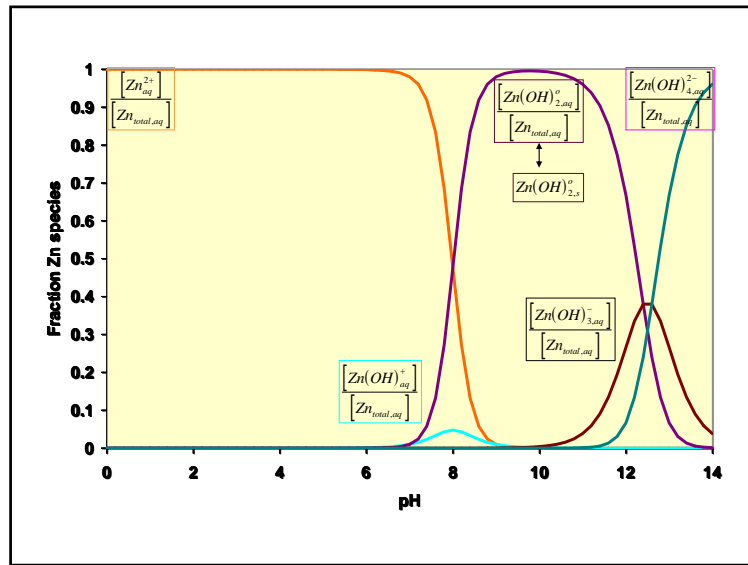
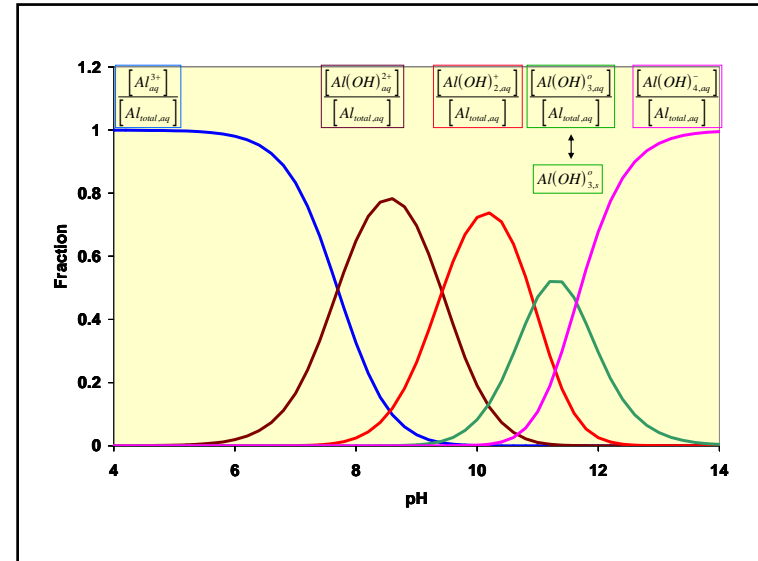
Increase pH

### Example Calculation 6:

	$K_f$	$K_{sp}$	$K_{sp}K_f$
$Ag^+$ $Ag(OH)_2^-$	$1 \times 10^4$	$1.99 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.99 \times 10^{-5}$
$Zn^{2+}$ $Zn(OH)_4^{2-}$	$4.6 \times 10^{17}$	$3.16 \times 10^{-16}$	<b>145</b>
$Mn^{2+}$ $Mn(OH)^+$	$2.51 \times 10^3$	$1.58 \times 10^{-13}$	$3.96 \times 10^{-10}$
$Cr^{3+}$ $Cr(OH)^{2+}$	$6.3 \times 10^3$	$6.3 \times 10^{-31}$	<b>1.28</b>
$Al^{3+}$ $Al(OH)_4^-$	$1 \times 10^{33}$	$4.6 \times 10^{-33}$	<b>4.6</b>
$Fe^{3+}$ $Fe(OH)_2^+$	$1.99 \times 10^{22}$	$4 \times 10^{-38}$	$7.96 \times 10^{-16}$
$Sn^{2+}$ $Sn(OH)_3^-$	$2.5 \times 10^{25}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-17}$	<b><math>3.0 \times 10^8</math></b>



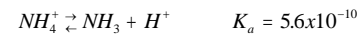
Which compounds can be brought into solution by raising the pH?



How do we distinguish Zn from Al?

Between  $Al(OH)_4^-$  and  $Zn(OH)_4^-$   
only Zn has complexation with  
 $:NH_3$

**Drop pH** to re-ppt  $Al(OH)_3$ , while  
simultaneously forming soluble  $Zn(NH_3)_4^{2+}$



$$pH = pK_a + \log \frac{[A]}{[HA]}$$

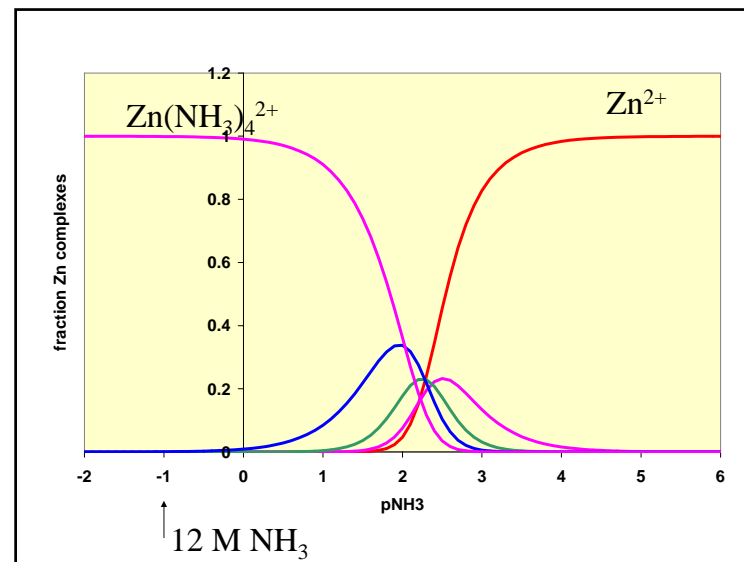
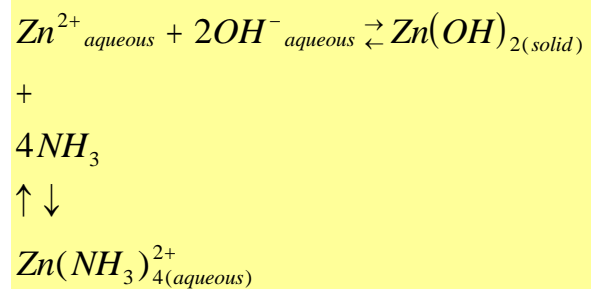
$$pH = -\log(5.6 \times 10^{-10}) + \log \frac{3M}{12M}$$

$$pH = 9.25 + -0.602 = 8.65$$

3 M  $NH_4^+$   
12 M  $NH_3$

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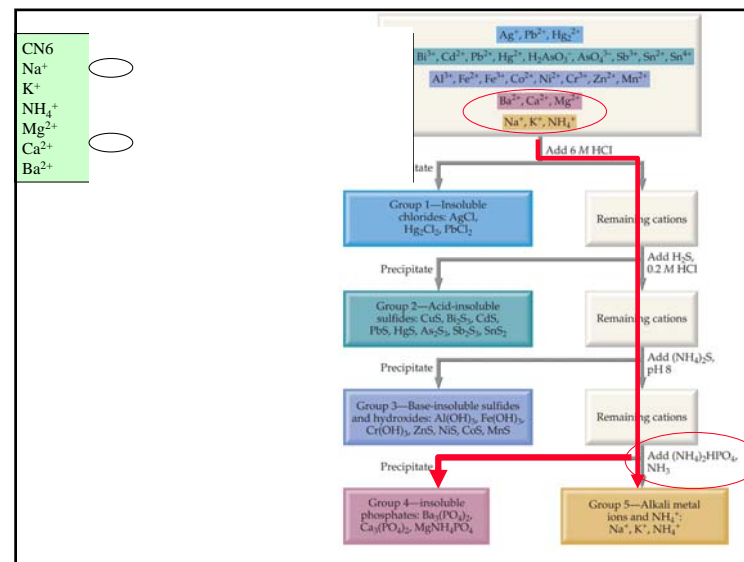
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Qualitative Analysis:  
PO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup> to separate Ba<sup>2+</sup>,  
Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>





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Solubility

What you need  
To know

### Summary Points

#### Complexation vs Solubility

Complexation based on electrostatic attraction

lone pairs for central cation

Size matters!; Charge matters!

Can result in multiple points of binding

Can result in charge -, o, +

Based on charge can result in precipitation

Use to manipulate and separate elements (biology too!)

$K_{sp}$  = solubility product; large - # implies not soluble

$K_f$  = formation constant; large + # implies strong binding

Calculations proceed similarly to  $K_a$

EXCEPT – STOICHIOMETRY is trickier



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