

Strong Acids



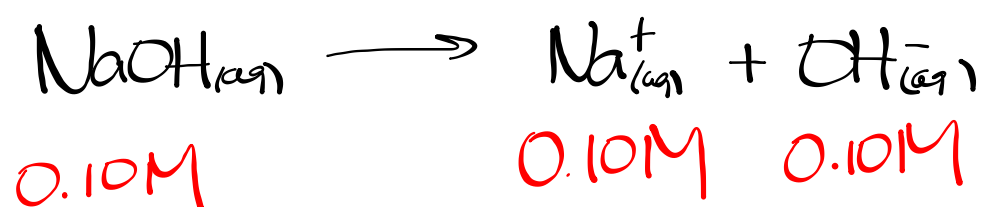
0.25M

0.50M

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

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

Strong Bases



pOH
pH
[H⁺]

Worksheet #3,4

Ionization Constants for Acids

Strong acids - ionizes **quantitatively** in water to form hydronium ions



Weak acids - ionizes **partially** in water to form hydronium ions



To describe the equilibrium of acids in water, the equilibrium law is used to calculate the acid ionization constant, K_a

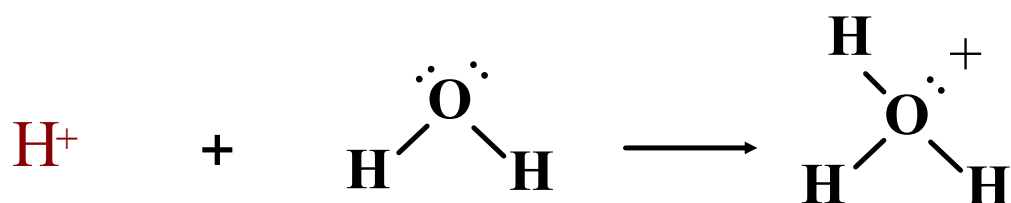


$$K = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+_{(aq)}][\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-_{(aq)}]}{[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}_{(aq)}][\text{H}_2\text{O}_{(l)}]}$$

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+_{(aq)}][\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-_{(aq)}]}{[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}_{(aq)}]}$$

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$$1.8 \times 10^{-5}$$



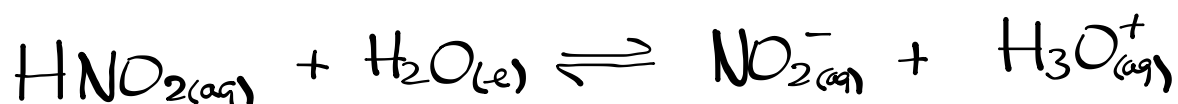
$$\text{pH} = -\log [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 10^{-\text{pH}}$$

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

Ex. Predict the hydronium ion concentration, and pH of a 1.0 mol/L nitrous acid solution at equilibrium.

WEAK



1.0 mol/L

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{NO}_2^-]_{(aq)} [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]_{(aq)}}{[\text{HNO}_{2(aq)}} , \quad [\text{NO}_2^-]_{(aq)} = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]_{(aq)}$$

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]_{(aq)}^2}{[\text{HNO}_{2(aq)}]}$$

$$7.2 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]_{(aq)}^2}{[1.0]}$$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]_{(aq)} = \sqrt{(7.2 \times 10^{-4})(1.0)}$$

$$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]_{(aq)} = 0.027 \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]_{(aq)}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log[0.027]$$

$$\text{pH} = 1.57$$

