## Solubility (no calculator)

(All questions may be completed without the use of a calculator. All answers given were generated without a calculator.)

- 1) The molar solubility of a compound with the formula  $M_2X$  is 0.020. Calculate its  $K_{sp}$ . (Answer: 3.2 x 10<sup>-5</sup>)
- 2) The solubility of cobalt(II) carbonate (molar mass = 119 g) is 0.119 mg/100 mL of water. Calculate its K<sub>sp</sub>. (Answer: 1 x 10<sup>-10</sup>)
- 3) Calculate the molar solubility of  $Ag_2CrO_4$  ( $K_{sp} = 2.6 \times 10^{-12}$ ) in:
  - a) 2.6 x 10<sup>-2</sup> M Na<sub>2</sub>CrO<sub>4</sub> [1 x 10<sup>-5</sup> M]
  - b) 0.16 M AgNO<sub>3</sub> [1 x 10<sup>-10</sup> M]
- 4) Which compound in each pair is more soluble in water? (Look up the K<sub>sp</sub> values in your textbook or online.)
  - a) Manganese(II) hydroxide or calcium iodate
  - b) Strontium carbonate or cadmium sulphide
  - c) Silver cyanide or copper(I) iodide
     (Answers: (a) Ca(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> is more soluble, (b) SrCO<sub>3</sub> is more soluble, (c) CuI is more soluble)
- 5) Does any solid Ag<sub>2</sub>CrO<sub>4</sub> (K<sub>sp</sub> = 2.6 x 10<sup>-12</sup>) form when 1.0 mL of 0.10 M AgNO<sub>3</sub> is mixed with 999.0 mL of 1 x 10<sup>-3</sup> M K<sub>2</sub>CrO<sub>4</sub>? (Answer: Yes, a precipitate would form because Q<sub>sp</sub> > K<sub>sp</sub>.)
- 6) When blood is donated, sodium oxalate is used to precipitate out the Ca<sup>2+</sup> present (Ca<sup>+2</sup> triggers clotting). A 100 mL sample of blood contains 1.0 x 10<sup>-4</sup> g Ca/mL blood. A technologist treats this sample with 100 mL of 1.00 M Na<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>. The K<sub>sp</sub> of CaC<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O is 2.5 x 10<sup>-9</sup>. Calculate the [Ca<sup>2+</sup>] and the % Ca<sup>2+</sup> left in solution after this treatment. (Answers: [Ca<sup>2+</sup>] = 5 x 10<sup>-9</sup> M and 4 x 10<sup>-4</sup> % Ca<sup>2+</sup> left in solution.)

- 7) 50 mL of  $3.2 \times 10^{-3}$  M Fe(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> is mixed with 50 mL of 1.44 M Cd(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>. The K<sub>sp</sub> of Fe(OH)<sub>3</sub> is  $1.6 \times 10^{-39}$ , and the K<sub>sp</sub> of Cd(OH)<sub>2</sub> is  $7.2 \times 10^{-15}$ 
  - a) If aqueous NaOH is added to the above solution, which ion precipitates first? (Answer: Fe<sup>+3</sup>)
  - b) Describe how the metal ions can be separated using NaOH.
     (Answer: As NaOH is added Fe(OH)<sub>3</sub> will continue to preciptate until the [OH<sup>-1</sup>] is sufficiently large to cause the Cd(OH)<sub>2</sub> to start to precipitate out.)
  - c) Calculate the [OH<sup>-1</sup>] at which the Cd(OH)<sub>2</sub> just begins to precipitate out. (Answer: [OH<sup>-1</sup>] = 1 x 10<sup>-7</sup> M)
  - d) Calculate the [Fe<sup>+3</sup>] left in solution when the Cd(OH)<sub>2</sub> just begins to precipitate out of solution.
    - (Answer: 1.6 x 10<sup>-19</sup> M)
- 8) Gout is caused by the build up of uric acid in body fluids. Crystals of sodium urate  $(NaC_5H_3N_4O_3)$  are deposited in the joints, particularly in the big toe. The molar solubility of sodium urate is 5 x 10<sup>-3</sup>. If the  $[Na^+]$  in bodily fluids is 0.15 M, at what urate concentration will a deposit of sodium urate occur in the big toe joint? (Answer: 1.7 x 10<sup>-4</sup> M)
- 9) Scenes A to C represent aqueous solutions of the slightly soluble salt MZ (only the ions of the salt are shown):

$$MZ(s) = M^{+2}(aq) + Z^{-2}(aq)$$



- a) Which scene represents the solution just after solid MZ is stirred thoroughly in distilled water?
- b) If each sphere represents  $2.5 \times 10^{-6}$  M of ions, what is the K<sub>sp</sub> of MZ?
- c) Which scene represents the solution after  $Na_2Z(aq)$  is added?
- d) If Z<sup>-2</sup> is CO<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup>, which scene represents the solution after the pH has been lowered? (Answers: (a) B, (b) K<sub>sp</sub> = 1 x 10<sup>-10</sup>, (c) C, (d) A)

10) A solution contains 5.3 x  $10^{-4}$  M Cu<sup>+</sup> and 1.4 x  $10^{-3}$  M Pb<sup>2+</sup>.

- a) If a source of I<sup>-1</sup> is added to this solution, will  $PbI_2$  (K<sub>sp</sub> = 1.4 x 10<sup>-8</sup>) or CuI (K<sub>sp</sub> = 5.3 x 10<sup>-12</sup>) precipitate first? Specify the concentration of I- necessary to begin precipitation of each compound. (Answer: CuI will precipitate first since a much lower concentration of I<sup>-1</sup> would be required. The [I<sup>-1</sup>] necessary to precipitate the Cu<sup>+</sup> is 1.0 x 10<sup>-8</sup> M vs. 1.0 x 10<sup>-3</sup> M to precipitate the Pb<sup>2+</sup>.)
- b) Calculate the % of the first ion to precipitate left in solution when the second ion just starts to precipitate.
  (Answer: When the PbI<sub>2</sub> just begins to precipitate 0.001% of the Cu<sup>+</sup> will remain in solution.)
- 11) You are to do a titration of 10.00 mL of 0.1000 M NaCl with 0.1000 M AgNO<sub>3</sub>. The K<sub>sp</sub> of AgCl is 1.8 x 10<sup>-10</sup> and we will define the pCl scale as:

 $pCl = -log[Cl^-]$ 

(If you've done acids and bases before, this is a similar sort of idea as was used to define the pH scale.)

- a) Calculate the pCl at the start of the titration. (Answer: pCl = 1.0)
- b) Calculate the approximate pCl after 9.00 mL of AgNO<sub>3</sub> solution has been added. (Answer: pCl ≅ 2.3)
- c) Calculate the pCl after 10.00 mL of AgNO<sub>3</sub> solution has been added. (Answer: pCl = 4.87)
- d) Calculate the approximate pCl after 11 00 mL of AgNO<sub>3</sub> solution has been added.
   (Answer: pCl ≈ 7.4)