

Acid Base and Salts

ACIDS

1. ACIDS-THE TERM

- THE TERM-‘acid’ is derived from the latin word meaning ‘sour’
- ACIDS ARE DERIVED FROM –both minerals as well as plants.
- ACIDS DERIVED FROM MINERALS – are called ‘inorganic’ or ‘mineral acids’ e.g. hydrochloric acid, sulphuric acid, nitric acid.
- ACIDS DERIVED FROM PLANTS –are called organic acids e.g. citric acid, tartaric acid.

2. ACIDS- OCCURRENCE [Source]

Oranges & Lemons	Grapes	Apples	Rancid butter	Vinegar
CITRIC ACID	TARTARIC ACID	MALIC ACID	BUTYRIC ACID	ACETIC ACID
Sour milk	Wasps & white ants	Common salt	Metallic sulphate	Nitre
LACTIC ACID	FORMIC ACID	HYDROCHLORIC ACID	SULPHURIC ACID	NITRIC ACID

3. CLASSIFICATION OF ACIDS

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BASICITY OF ACIDS • Monobasic acid • Dibasic acid • Tribasic acid	Dissociate to give - one H^+ ion per molecule of the acid. Dissociate to give - two H^+ ions per molecule of the acid. Dissociate to give – three H^+ ions per molecule of the acid.	HCl H_2SO_4 H_3PO_4

4. PROPERTIES OF ACIDS

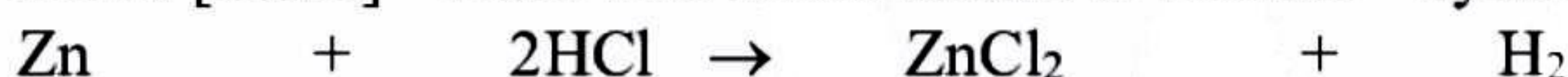
Taste	•Acids – are sour in taste								
Corrosive nature	•Strong acids – are highly corrosive in nature.								
	•Weak acids – are less corrosive and harmless.								
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CHEMICAL PROPERTIES OF ACIDS

1. **Acids [dilute]** – react with bases to give – salt and water only [neutralization reaction].

Base [oxide]		Acid		Salt		Water
CuO [copper oxide]	+	H ₂ SO ₄ [sulphuric acid]	→	CuSO ₄ [copper sulphate]	+	H ₂ O
Base [hydroxide]		Acid		Salt		Water
NaOH [sodium hydroxide]	+	HCl [hydrochloric acid]	→	NaCl [sodium chloride]	+	H ₂ O

2. **Acids [dilute]** – react with active metals to liberate – hydrogen gas.



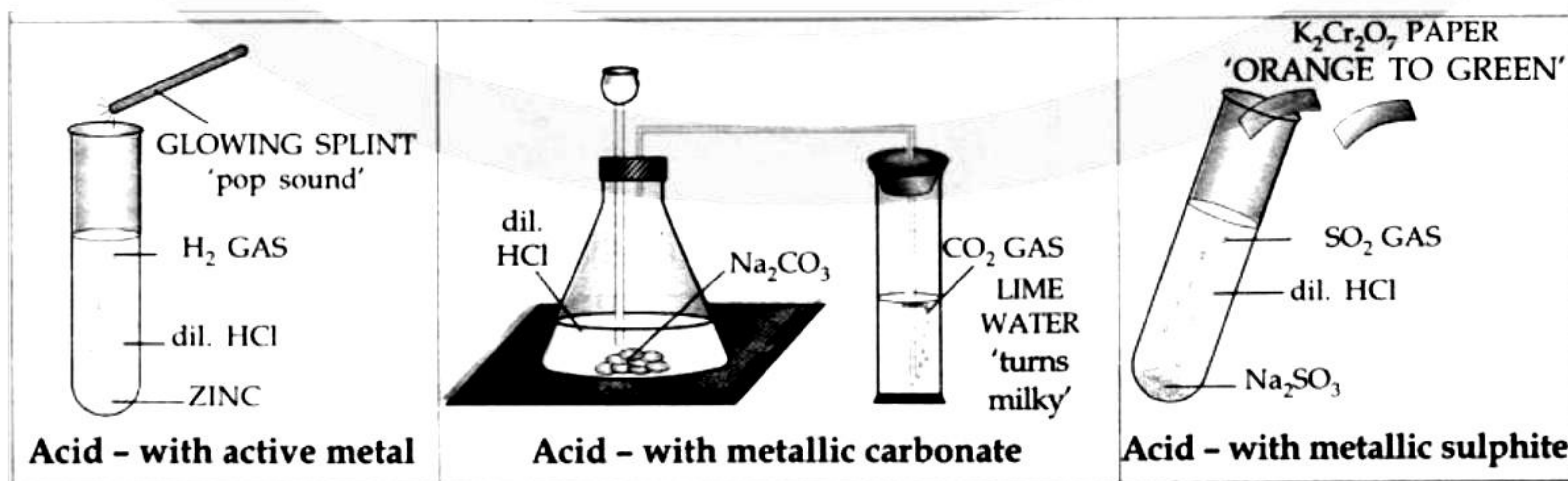
3. **Acids [dilute]** – react with metallic carbonates and bicarbonates to liberate- carbon dioxide gas.



4. **Acids [dilute]** – react with metallic sulphites and bisulphites to liberate- sulphur dioxide gas.



5. **Acids [dilute]** – react with metallic sulphides to liberate- hydrogen sulphide gas.



7. USES OF ACIDS-HYDROCHLORIC, NITRIC AND SULPHURIC ACIDS

	HCl	HNO ₃	H ₂ SO ₄
INDUSTRIAL USES- • Manufacture of	• Dyes and drugs • Silver chloride • Glucose	• Dyes, drugs & perfumes • Nitrates • Fertilizers & explosives	• Dyes, drugs & paints • Hydrochloric & nitric acid • Fertilizers & explosives
GENERAL USES- • Preparation of	• Gases- SO ₂ , CO ₂ and H ₂ S	• Aqua regia-which is 1 part of conc. HNO ₃ + 3 parts of conc. HCl	• Gases- H ₂ , CO, CO ₂ , CO ₂ & H ₂ S
• Metallurgy	• In cleaning metal surfaces- before galvanizing	• For etching simple designs - on copper and brassware	• In cleaning metal surfaces – before galvanizing

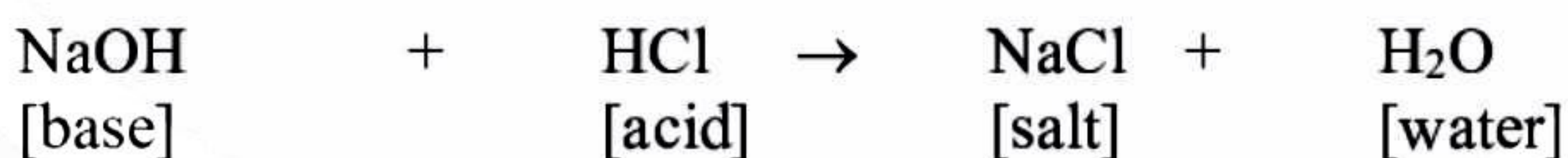
8. USES OF OTHER ACIDS

Acid	Uses
1. CITRIC ACID	• As a food preservative • As a source of vitamin C [citrus fruits]
2. ACETIC ACID	
3. TARTARIC ACID	• As a food preservative • In flavouring and cooking [vinegar]
4. BORIC ACID	• In the preparation of baking powder
5. CARBONIC ACID	• As an eye wash
6. OXALIC ACID	• In flavouring drinks • For removing ink stains

BASES

1. BASES – THE TERM

- **THE TERM-** 'Bases' are oxides or hydroxides of metals. [including ammonium hydroxide]
- **BASES ARE COMPOUNDS** – which react with acids to give salt and water

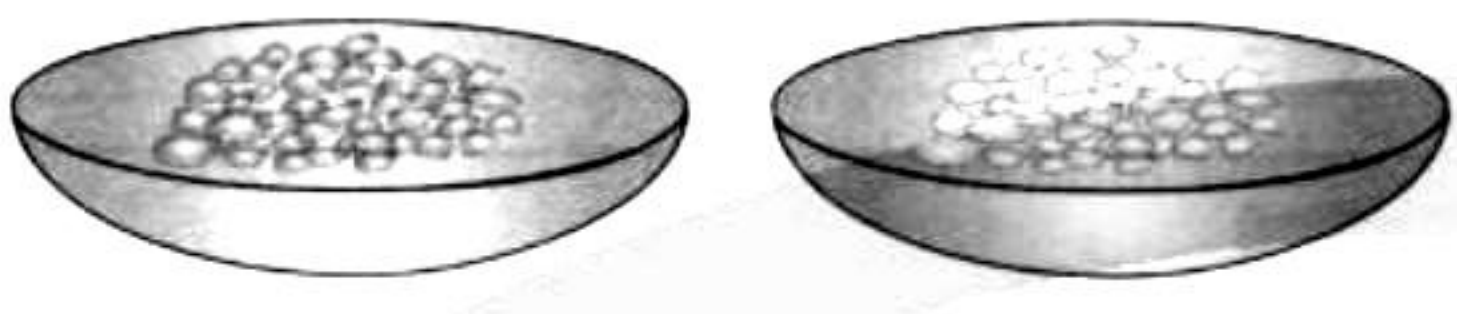
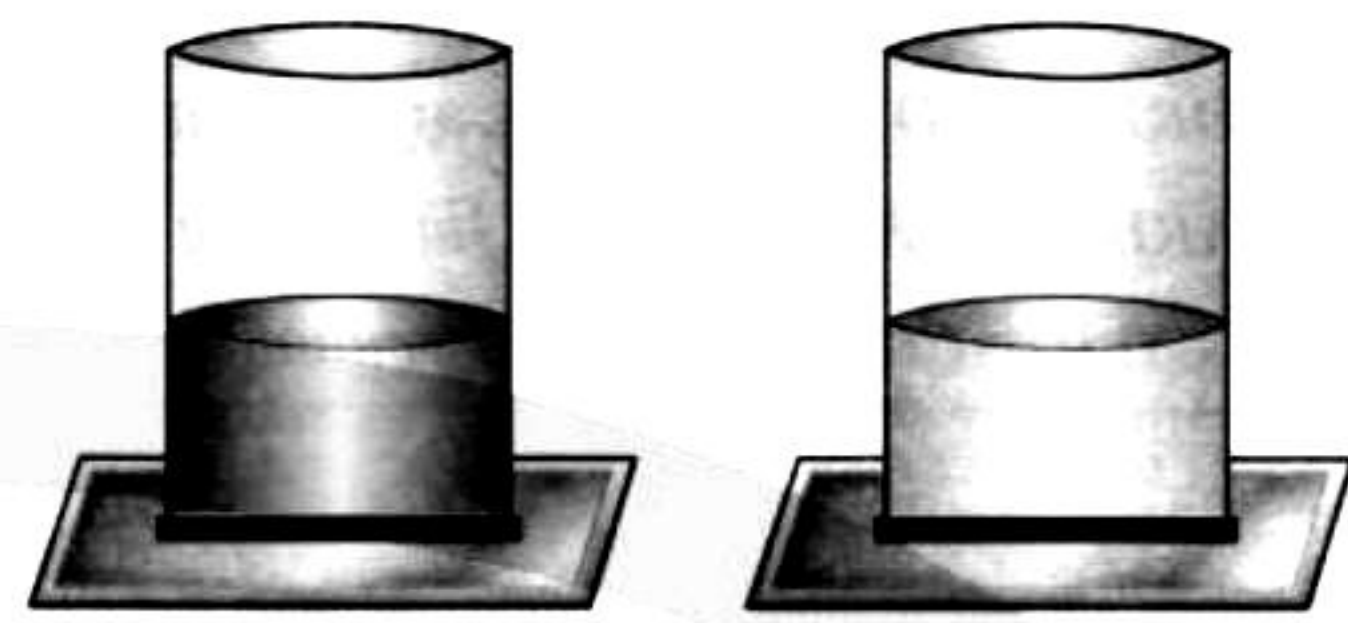


2. ALKALIS

THE TERM – 'Alkalis' are bases which are soluble in water
ALL ALKALIS ARE BASES – but all bases are not alkalis
 Since certain bases are insoluble in water.

EXAMPLE OF BASES AND ALKALIS

Bases [insoluble in water]	Alkalis [bases soluble in water]
OXIDES OF METALS • CuO • MgO • PbO	OXIDES OF METALS • K ₂ O • Na ₂ O

HYDROXIDES OF METALS • Fe(OH) ₂ • Pb(OH) ₂ • Al(OH) ₃		HYDROXIDES OF METALS • NaOH • KOH • NH ₄ OH	
			
COPPER OXIDE [insoluble base]	MAGNESIUM OXIDE [insoluble base]	SODIUM HYDROXIDE [soluble base- alkali]	AMMONIUM HYDROXIDE [soluble base- alkali]

3. CLASSIFICATION OF BASES [ALKALIS]

Bases dissociate in aqueous solutions- to give hydroxyl ions [OH⁻]

Based on this dissociation, bases are classified in terms of their strength and acidity.

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ACIDITY OF BASES • Monoacidic base • Diacidic base • Triacidic base	Dissociate to give – one OH ⁻ ion per molecule of the base. Dissociate to give – two OH ⁻ ions per molecule of the base. Dissociate to give – three OH ⁻ ions per molecule of the base.	NaOH Ca(OH) ₂ Fe(OH) ₃ [insoluble]

5. PREPARATION OF BASES

METHOD				BASE FORMED
DIRECT COMBINATION • combination of metal and oxygen	4Na Metal	+	O₂ Oxygen	→ 2Na₂O
DISSOLUTION IN WATER • dissolution of basic oxides in water	Na₂O Basic oxide	+	H₂O Water	→ 2NaOH
• dissolution of active metals in water	2Na Active metal	+	2H₂O Water	→ 2NaOH + H₂
PRECIPITATION METHOD • reaction of aq. salt soln. & strong base	AlCl₃ Salt [soln.]	+	3NaOH Base	→ Al(OH)₃ ↓ + 3NaCl Precipitate

PROPERTIES OF BASES :

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NaOH [sodium hydroxide]	+	HCl [hydrochloric acid]	→	NaCl [sodium chloride]	+	H₂O

2. Alkalis –react with ammonium salts to liberate – ammonia gas.

$$\text{NH}_4\text{Cl} + \text{NaOH} \rightarrow \text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{NH}_3$$

[ammonium chloride]
[ammonia]
3. Alkalis — react with salt solutions to give – precipitates of insoluble metallic hydroxides.

$$\text{CuSO}_4 + 2\text{NaOH} \rightarrow \text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 + \text{Cu(OH)}_2\downarrow$$

[copper sulphate]
[copper hydroxide - blue ppl.]

SALT - The Term –

- NEUTRALIZATION REACTION INVOLVES -
A reaction of a base with an acid to give - salt and water only.



- REPLACEMENT OF H⁺ ION OF THE ACID -
The hydrogen ion 1H⁺J aq. of the acid is replaced by the - metal atom (Na⁺) of the base - forming a salt - NaCl.

- A SALT - is a compound formed by partial or complete replacement of the hydrogen ion $[H^+]$ of an acid - by a metal [basic radical].

2. IMPORTANT TYPES OF SALTS

NORMAL SALT	Formed by - <i>complete</i> replacement of the - <i>hydrogen ion</i> of an <i>acid</i> by a <i>metal</i> .	$2NaOH + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow Na_2SO_4 + 2H_2O$ Normal salt
ACID SALT	Formed by - <i>partial</i> replacement of the - <i>hydrogen ion</i> of an <i>acid</i> by a <i>metal</i> .	$NaOH + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow NaHSO_4 + H_2O$ Acid salt
BASIC SALT	Formed by - <i>incomplete</i> neutralization of a - <i>base</i> with an <i>acid</i> .	$Zn(OH)_2 + HCl \rightarrow Zn(OH)Cl + H_2O$ Basic salt
HYDRATED SALT	A salt which contains a - <i>definite number of water molecules</i> - as <i>water of crystallization</i> .	Copper sulphate $CuSO_4 \cdot 5H_2O$ Sodium carbonate $Na_2CO_3 \cdot 10H_2O$

3. PREPARATION OF SOLUBLE SALTS –general methods ACTION OF ACID ON-

1. Active metals
2. Metallic oxides
3. Metallic carbonates
4. Metallic hydroxides

REACTANT		ACID [DIL.]	SOLUBLE SALT	
ACTIVE METAL				
Zinc	Zn +	H ₂ SO ₄ →	ZnSO ₄ +	H ₂
Iron	Fe +	H ₂ SO ₄ →	FeSO ₄ +	H ₂
METAL OXIDE				
Copper oxide	CuO +	H ₂ SO ₄ →	CuSO ₄ +	H ₂ O
Lead oxide	PbO +	2HNO ₃ →	Pb(NO ₃) ₂ +	H ₂ O
METAL CARBONATE				
Magnesium carbonate	MgCO ₃ +	H ₂ SO ₄ →	MgSO ₄ +	H ₂ O + CO ₂
Lead carbonate	PbCO ₃ +	2HNO ₃ →	Pb(NO ₃) ₂ +	H ₂ O + CO ₂
METAL HYDROXIDE				
Sodium hydroxide [soluble]	2NaOH +	H ₂ SO ₄ →	Na ₂ SO ₄ +	2H ₂ O
Copper hydroxide [insoluble]	Cu(OH) ₂ +	H ₂ SO ₄ →	CuSO ₄ +	2H ₂ O

4. PREPARATION OF INSOLUBLE SALTS – General methods

A. PRECIPITATION

By double decomposition of two salt solutions

SALT SOLUTION I	SALT SOLUTION II	SOLUBLE SALT	INSOLUBLE SALT [PRECIPITATED]
Pb(NO ₃) ₂ + Lead nitrate	2NaCl → Sodium chloride	2NaNO ₃ +	PbCl ₂ ↓ Lead chloride
CaCl ₂ + Calcium chloride	Na ₂ CO ₃ → Sodium carbonate	2NaCl +	CaCO ₃ ↓ Calcium carbonate

B. DIRECT COMBINATION OR SYNTHESIS

METAL		NON-METAL	INSOLUBLE SALT
Zn Zinc	+	S Sulphur	ZnS Zinc sulphide
Fe Iron	+	S Sulphur	FeS Iron [II] sulphide

6. USES OF SOME SALTS

SALT	USES
• SODIUM CHLORIDE • SODIUM CARBONATE • COPPER SULPHATE • AMMONIUM NITRATE	• Cooking food preservative, manufacture of chlorine • Manufacture of –glass, detergents • Electroplating and fungicide • Fertilizers