

Announcements

- Homework due date changed to this Thurs. A new assignment will also be posted on Thurs.
- Make certain you come to lab prepared this week as you are really going to be on your own.
- Today we will be finishing up acids/bases and possibly starting solubility. Thus, refer to last week's notes for Tuesday's discussions.
- Review the solubility rules-Table 4.1 on p.144

Solubility Equilibrium

- A saturated aqueous solution of a slightly soluble salt represents an equilibrium between the solid and its product ions
 - $M_xX_y(s) \rightleftharpoons aM^{a+}(aq) + bX^{b-}(aq)$
- Like all other equilibria, it is described by a Q and a K.
 - $Q_{ion} = [M^{a+}]^a [X^{b-}]^b$ - **the ion product**
 - As with all Qs, Q_{ion} has values for all possible solutions and a unique value for the equilibrium condition. For solubility, that value is called K_{sp} , **the solubility product**.
 - Why does neither of these have a denominator?
- Just as there were seven quantities of interest in acid/base solutions, there are five in solubility:
 - K_{sp}
 - g_s -the gram solubility(mass of solute which will dissolve in 100g of water)
 - s -molar solubility (moles of solute per liter in the saturated solution)
 - $[M^{a+}]$ -cation concentration in the sat'd solution
 - $[X^{b-}]$ -anion concentration in the sat'd solution

Things to ponder

- Is there some real standard that makes a material soluble or insoluble?
- Does the K_{sp} , by itself, give a good description of the solubility characteristics of a salt? Why is this different from the K_s in acid/base chemistry?
- From a practical standpoint, which of the previously noted measures should we use when trying to understand the degree to which a salt dissolves?
- How are the five quantities related?

Relating Ksp,s,gs

- Example 1 MX
 - $\text{MX}(s) \rightleftharpoons \text{M}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{X}^-(\text{aq}) \quad s = s + s$
 - $K_{sp} = s^2$ or $s = (K_{sp})^{1/2}$
 - $gs = s * \text{gfw}/10 \quad s = 10 * gs/\text{gfw}$
- Example 2 M_2X_3
 - $\text{M}_2\text{X}_3(s) \rightleftharpoons 2\text{M}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + 3\text{X}^{2-}(\text{aq}) \quad s = 2s + 3s$
 - $K_{sp} = (2s)^2(3s)^3 = 108s^5$ or $s = (K_{sp}/108)^{1/5}$
 - $gs = s * \text{gfw}/10 \quad s = 10 * gs/\text{gfw}$

Summary Table

- gs and s are always related as shown previously. The table below relates s, Ksp and the ion concentrations for the common salt types (a and b as defined earlier)

a:b	[M]	[X]	Ksp	s
1:1	s	s	s^2	$\sqrt{K_{sp}}$
1:2	s	2s	$4s^3$	$\sqrt[3]{K_{sp}/4}$
2:1	2s	s	$4s^3$	$\sqrt[3]{K_{sp}/4}$
2:2	2s	2s	$16s^4$	$\sqrt[4]{K_{sp}/16}$
3:1	3s	s	$27s^4$	$\sqrt[4]{K_{sp}/27}$
1:3	s	3s	$27s^4$	$\sqrt[4]{K_{sp}/27}$
2:3	2s	3s	$108s^5$	$\sqrt[5]{K_{sp}/108}$
3:2	3s	2s	$108s^5$	$\sqrt[5]{K_{sp}/108}$

Saturated solution described other ways

1. The molar solubility of cobalt(II) sulfide is 2.3×10^{-14} M. Provide a complete treatment.
2. A saturated solution of barium carbonate has an carbonate concentration of 3.4×10^{-3} M. Provide a complete treatment.
3. The Ksp of manganese (III) sulfate is 1.5×10^{-31} . Provide a complete treatment.

Precipitation

- Solubility, like all equilibria, can be approached from either direction. If one prepares the solution by starting with the insoluble salt and adding it to water, that's **dissolution**. If one combines initially homogenous solutions, each containing only one of the product ions, and forms solid in that manner-that's termed **precipitation**
- All equilibria are described by the comparison of Q and K. For solubility:
 - Q<K: solution is below saturation point and more solute will dissolve
 - Q=K: solution is **saturated**
 - Q>K: solution is **supersaturated** and precipitate **should** form
- The general description of the ppt of the salt M_aX_b is as follows C mL of DM solution of the metal nitrate are combined with E mL of FM sodium salt of X. Will ppt form?
- Why does the question use the nitrate and sodium salts?

- What are the issues?
 - Identification of the possible ppt
 - Concentrations of the ions on mixing with careful note made of the dilution and the composition of the soluble salts
 - Calculation of Q
 - Comparison of Q with K to determine ppt or no ppt
- **Example 1:** The Ksp for CuCl is 1.0×10^{-6} . If equal volumes of 0.0010M copper(I) nitrate and 0.0030M sodium chloride are combined, will ppt form?
 - Upon mixing $[Cu^+]=5 \times 10^{-4}$ and $[Cl^-]=1.5 \times 10^{-3}$
 - $Q=7.5 \times 10^{-7}$
 - $Q < K_{sp}$ -no ppt
- **Example 2:** The Ksp for $CaSO_4$ is 2.4×10^{-5} . If 30.0mL of 0.20M calcium nitrate are combined with 50mL of 0.030M potassium sulfate, will ppt form. upon mixing $[Ca^{2+}]=.075$ and $[SO_4^{2-}]=0.019$
 - $Q=1.5 \times 10^{-3}$
 - $Q > K_{sp}$ -ppt forms

A few more

- For each of the following, assume equal volumes are combined. Identify the possible ppt and then determine if ppt will occur.
- 0.0050M ammonium carbonate and 0.0010M strontium nitrate
- 0.0010M silver(I) nitrate and 0.0020M potassium phosphate
- 2.2×10^{-4} M potassium nitrate and 0.020M iron(III) chloride
- 1.2×10^{-5} M potassium sulfide and 2.0×10^{-3} M sodium carbonate
- 0.0040M manganese(II) nitrate and water with a pH=9.20

Uses of Ksp-beyond simple dissolution

- As the discussion of ppt has shown, use of the Ksp extends beyond simply preparing a saturated solution by dissolution of a salt. It is critical to remember that **the ion concentrations are only stoichiometrically related if the sat'd solution is prepared by direct dissolution of the salt.**
- In general, the generic statement: "For a saturated solution of the salt, M_xX_y , what would the $[M^{+}]$ ($[X^{-}]$) be if the $[X^{-}]$ ($[M^{+}]$) equals..." describes the general application of Ksp to saturated solutions.
- For a saturated solution of AgBr, what is the $[Ag^{+}]$ if $[Br^{-}] = 1.3 \times 10^{-3} M$?
- A solution of zinc nitrate has $[Zn^{2+}] = 0.025 M$. At what pH would ppt form?

Quick summary of Basic Solubility

- Nomenclature and writing out the "dissolving reaction" are both very important.
- When dissolving a salt to the saturation limit-stoichiometry is central and the relationships between the five variables are straightforward. Care must be taken in doing the actual calculations.
- When precipitation is the issue
 - Begin with identification of possible ppt. There may not be one.
 - Don't forget the dilution factor.
 - Stoichiometric links between concentrations don't exist
 - Qion vs Ksp

LeChatelier Effects

- Any equilibrium discussion must include LeChatelier effects. In solubility, these take two forms:
 - Chemical processes that decrease the concentration of one of the product ions thereby increasing the solubility. How can this be done?
1. Adding acid to some salts increases the solubility-explain this in general LeChatelier terms and with also in specific chemical terms
 - ex: carbonates are more soluble in acidic solution
 - ex: the solubility of AgCl is not affected by adding H⁺
 2. Complexation of the cation by a Lewis base
 - Ex: AgCl is soluble in NH₃ solutions
 - $\text{AgCl} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ag}^+ + \text{Cl}^-$ (K_{sp}) then $\text{Ag}^+ + 2\text{NH}_3 \rightleftharpoons \text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2^+$ (K_f)
 - what type of compound is $\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2^+$
 - $\text{AgCl} + 2\text{NH}_3 \rightleftharpoons \text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2^+ + \text{Cl}^-$ $K = K_f \cdot K_{sp}$
 - What requirements are there for a Lewis base to increase the solubility of a salt?
 3. Certain hydroxides are amphoteric. That is, they are capable of accepting as well as donating a hydroxide ion. The key example of this behavior is Al³⁺, which, as base is added first ppts and then redissolves due to the formation of $\text{Al}(\text{OH})_4^-$
 4. There are no LeChatelier volume effects in solubility equilibria-can you think of a simple reason why?

The Common Ion Effect

- Combining a soluble salt and an insoluble salt which have an ion in common is analogous to mixing a weak and a strong acid. As expected, the presence of the soluble material decreases the solubility of the insoluble salt, just as the strong acid decreases the % ion of the weak acid.
- What is the solubility of CuCl in 0.010M copper(I) nitrate?
- $K_{sp} = [\text{Cu}^+][\text{Cl}^-] = 1.7 \cdot 10^{-7}$
- if $[\text{Cu}^+] = 0.010$ then the $[\text{Cl}^-] = 1.7 \cdot 10^{-7} / 0.010 = 1.7 \cdot 10^{-5}$ which would be the molar solubility, s, of the CuCl
- How does this compare with the molar solubility of CuCl in water?
- What is the solubility of calcium fluoride in 0.050M calcium nitrate?
- $K_{sp} = [\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{F}^-]^2 = 4.0 \cdot 10^{-11}$
- if $[\text{Ca}^{2+}] = 0.050$ then $[\text{F}^-] = (4.0 \cdot 10^{-11} / 0.050)^{1/2} = 2.8 \cdot 10^{-5}$
- Unlike the case of the CuCl, this is not the solubility, but 2s, so $s = 1.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$
- What is s for calcium fluoride in water?

How much precipitate?

- If you combine 25mL of 0.01M zinc nitrate with 75mL of 0.020M sodium carbonate, how many grams of ppt form?
- K_{sp} for $\text{ZnCO}_3 = 2.0 \cdot 10^{-10}$
- $[\text{Zn}^{2+}] = 25 \cdot 0.01 / 100 = 2.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$
- $[\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = 75 \cdot 0.02 / 100 = 0.015$
- $Q_{ion} = (2.5 \cdot 10^{-3})(0.015) = 3.75 \cdot 10^{-5}$
- $Q > K$ ppt forms
- To determine the quantity of ppt, begin by assuming complete pptn limited by the limiting ion, in this case the Zn²⁺. After this step $[\text{Zn}^{2+}] = 0.00$ and $[\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = 0.015 - 0.0025 = 0.0125$.
- Next, check the amount of ppt that would "redissolve" to establish the saturated solution: $2.0 \cdot 10^{-10} = [\text{Zn}^{2+}][\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = [\text{Zn}^{2+}](0.0125)$. This small amount is due to the very large excess of carbonate
- moles of ppt = $0.0025 \text{M} \cdot 10 \text{L} = 0.0025$ moles-resulting from Zn ion
- grams = $0.0025 \cdot 125.4 = 0.31 \text{g}$

- How much ppt would form if you combined 25mL of 0.0010M magnesium nitrate with 50mL of .0015M sodium fluoride?

Solubility as a separation method

- Solubility can be used to separate two cations by two methods
- If there is an anion which forms a ppt with only one of the two cations, adding it to the mixture will result in a straightforward separation.
 - For example- your solubility table on page A24 shows that fluoride forms a ppt with barium, but not with copper(II), so it could be used to separate those two ion.
- If there is an anion which ppts both cations, it may still be used to separate them, if the resultant salts differ sufficiently in their solubilities. This is a more complex situation and requires detailed calculations.
 - Assume you had a mixture of Mg^{2+} and Ba^{2+} , both at 0.005M. Can they be separated using carbonate? Assume that the carbonate can be added very slowly at low concentration
 - Step 1-at what carbonate concentration would each solid form-in this case, since the salts are 1:1, divide the Ksp's by 0.005. This yields threshold of carbonate of 3.2×10^{-9} for Ba^{2+} and 2×10^{-9} for the Mg^{2+} . Thus, the barium ion will ppt first
 - To determine whether full separation is possible, we set 10^{-6} M as the point at which all of the barium is considered to be removed. This is somewhat arbitrary, but also seems reasonable.
 - When $Ba^{2+} = 10^{-6}$, the carbonate $= 1.6 \times 10^{-3}$. This is less than the point at which magnesium begins to ppt so separation is possible.

- A solution contains Sn^{2+} and Cr^{3+} at concentrations of 0.020M and 0.0010M concentrations, respectively.
 - Ksp's: $Sn(OH)_2 = 5.4 \times 10^{-27}$ $Cr(OH)_3 = 6.7 \times 10^{-31}$
- Analyze the potential of hydroxide ion to separate the two ions at the 99.5% level
- At what $[OH^-]$ would each ion ppt?
 - Sn: $[OH^-] = (5.4 \times 10^{-27} / 0.020)^{1/2} = 5.2 \times 10^{-13}$
 - Cr^{3+} : $[OH^-] = (6.7 \times 10^{-31} / 0.001)^{1/3} = 8.7 \times 10^{-10}$
 - Sn^{2+} ppts first
- 99.5% removal of Sn^{2+} would result in the $[Sn^{2+}] = 1 \times 10^{-4}$
- when $[Sn^{2+}] = 1 \times 10^{-4}$ then $[OH^-] = (6.7 \times 10^{-31} / 1 \times 10^{-4})^{1/2} = 8.2 \times 10^{-14}$. This is below the point at which the Cr^{3+} will begin to ppt so separation at the 99.5% level is possible.

- Can sulfate ion be used to separate Pb^{2+} and Ag^+ from a solution where both cations are initially 0.010M ? If not, what level of separation is possible for each ion?

Qualitative Analysis

- Using only the information in your solubility table, can a mixture of Ag^+ , Ba^{2+} , copper(II) and Mg^{2+} be separated? Describe the process used as a sequence of anions added to the solution and list the ppt at each stage.
- If the solution also contained Pb^{2+} is separation still possible?
