

## CHAPTER EIGHT

### Equilibrium Constant

**8.1** Solubility = how many grams of  $\text{BaSO}_4$  dissolve in a liter of water.  
Molar solubility = how many moles of  $\text{BaSO}_4$  dissolve in a liter of water.  
Solubility product =  $[\text{Ba}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]$ . The solubility product is important since it stays constant; the molar solubility and solubility of barium sulfate depend on how much barium ion and sulfate ion exist in solution previously. The  $K_{\text{sp}}$  of barium sulfate is  $1.1 \times 10^{-10}$  M.

**8.2** The solubility product is usually not quoted for a soluble ionic compound because it is soluble enough that it is easier to work with the solubility or molar solubility, since these are simpler quantities to think about.

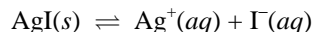
- 8.3**
- a)  $\text{CuBr}_{(s)} \rightleftharpoons \text{Cu}^+(aq) + \text{Br}^-(aq)$   
 $K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Cu}^+][\text{Br}^-] = 4.2 \times 10^{-8}$
- b)  $\text{ZnC}_2\text{O}_{4(s)} \rightleftharpoons \text{Zn}^{2+}(aq) + \text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}(aq)$   
 $K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Zn}^{2+}][\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}] =$
- c)  $\text{Ag}_2\text{CrO}_{4(s)} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{Ag}^+(aq) + \text{CrO}_4^{2-}(aq)$   
 $K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ag}^+]^2[\text{CrO}_4^{2-}] =$
- d)  $\text{Hg}_2\text{Cl}_{2(s)} \rightleftharpoons \text{Hg}_2^{2+}(aq) + 2\text{Cl}^-(aq)$   
 $K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Hg}_2^{2+}][\text{Cl}^-]^2 = 3.5 \times 10^{-18}$
- e)  $\text{AuCl}_{3(s)} \rightleftharpoons \text{Au}^{3+}(aq) + 3\text{Cl}^-(aq)$   
 $K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Au}^{3+}][\text{Cl}^-]^3 =$
- f)  $\text{Mn}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2(s) \rightleftharpoons 3\text{Mn}^{2+}(aq) + 2\text{PO}_4^{3-}(aq)$   
 $K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Mn}^{2+}]^3[\text{PO}_4^{3-}]^2 =$

**8.4**  $\text{A}_x\text{B}_y \rightleftharpoons \text{XA}^+ + \text{YB}^-$   
 $K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{A}^+]^x [\text{B}^-]^y$

**8.5** We can predict whether a precipitate will form when two solutions are mixed by utilizing the solubility rules and the solubility products listed in Table 16.2.

**8.6** No, this is not true. The molar solubility of silver(I) chloride is  $1.3 \times 10^{-5}$ , and the molar solubility of silver(I) carbonate is  $2.0 \times 10^{-4}$ .

**8.7 (a)** The solubility equilibrium is given by the equation



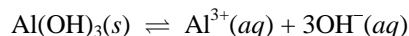
The expression for  $K_{\text{sp}}$  is given by

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ag}^+][\text{I}^-]$$

The value of  $K_{\text{sp}}$  can be found in Table 16.2 of the text. If the equilibrium concentration of silver ion is the value given, the concentration of iodide ion must be

$$[\text{I}^-] = \frac{K_{\text{sp}}}{[\text{Ag}^+]} = \frac{8.3 \times 10^{-17}}{9.1 \times 10^{-9}} = 9.1 \times 10^{-9} \text{ M}$$

**(b)** The value of  $K_{\text{sp}}$  for aluminum hydroxide can be found in Table 16.2 of the text. The equilibrium expressions are:



$$K_{sp} = [\text{Al}^{3+}][\text{OH}^-]^3$$

Using the given value of the hydroxide ion concentration, the equilibrium concentration of aluminum ion is:

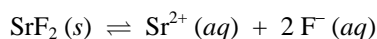
$$[\text{Al}^{3+}] = \frac{K_{sp}}{[\text{OH}^-]^3} = \frac{1.8 \times 10^{-33}}{(2.9 \times 10^{-9})^3} = 7.4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ M}$$

What is the pH of this solution? Will the aluminum concentration change if the pH is altered?

- 8.8** In each case, we first calculate the number of moles of compound dissolved in one liter of solution (the molar solubility).

$$(a) \left( \frac{7.3 \times 10^{-2} \text{ g SrF}_2}{1 \text{ L soln}} \right) \times \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol SrF}_2}{125.6 \text{ g SrF}_2} \right) = 5.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol/L}$$

*Step 1:* Write the equilibrium reaction. Then, from the equilibrium equation, write the solubility product expression.



$$K_{sp} = [\text{Sr}^{2+}][\text{F}^-]^2$$

*Step 2:* The molar solubility is the amount of SrF<sub>2</sub> that dissolves. From the stoichiometry of the equilibrium equation, you should find that

$$[\text{Sr}^{2+}] = [\text{SrF}_2] = 5.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$$

and

$$[\text{F}^-] = 2[\text{SrF}_2] = 1.16 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$$

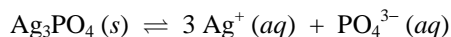
*Step 3:* Substitute the equilibrium concentrations of Sr<sup>2+</sup> and F<sup>-</sup> into the solubility product expression to calculate K<sub>sp</sub>.

$$K_{sp} = [\text{Sr}^{2+}][\text{F}^-]^2 = (5.8 \times 10^{-4})(1.16 \times 10^{-3})^2 = 7.8 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$(b) \left( \frac{6.7 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g Ag}_3\text{PO}_4}{1 \text{ L soln}} \right) \times \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol Ag}_3\text{PO}_4}{418.7 \text{ g Ag}_3\text{PO}_4} \right) = 1.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol/L}$$

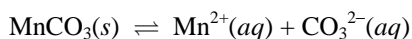
(b) is solved in a similar manner to (a)

The equilibrium equation is:



$$K_{sp} = [\text{Ag}^+]^3[\text{PO}_4^{3-}] = [3 \times (1.6 \times 10^{-5})]^3(1.6 \times 10^{-5}) = 1.8 \times 10^{-18}$$

- 8.9** For MnCO<sub>3</sub> dissolving, we write



For every mole of  $\text{MnCO}_3$  that dissolves, one mole of  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  will be produced and one mole of  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  will be produced. If the molar solubility of  $\text{MnCO}_3$  is  $s$  mol/L, then the concentrations of  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  and  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  are:

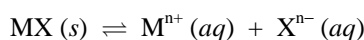
$$[\text{Mn}^{2+}] = [\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = s = 4.2 \times 10^{-6} M$$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Mn}^{2+}][\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = s^2 = (4.2 \times 10^{-6})^2 = \mathbf{1.8 \times 10^{-11}}$$

**8.10** First, we can convert the solubility of MX in g/L to mol/L.

$$\left( \frac{4.63 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g MX}}{1 \text{ L soln}} \right) \times \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol MX}}{346 \text{ g MX}} \right) = 1.34 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol/L} = s \text{ (molar solubility)}$$

The equilibrium reaction is:



Since the mole ratio of MX to each of the ions is 1:1, the equilibrium concentrations of each of the ions can also be represented by  $s$ . Solving for  $K_{\text{sp}}$ ,

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{M}^{n+}][\text{X}^{n-}] = s^2 = (1.34 \times 10^{-5})^2 = \mathbf{1.80 \times 10^{-10}}$$

**8.11** The charges of the M and X ions are +3 and -2, respectively (are other values possible?). We first calculate the number of moles of  $\text{M}_2\text{X}_3$  that dissolve in 1.0 L of water

$$\text{Moles } \text{M}_2\text{X}_3 = (3.6 \times 10^{-17} \text{ g}) \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{288 \text{ g}} \right) = 1.3 \times 10^{-19} \text{ mol}$$

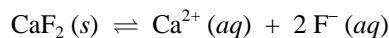
The molar solubility,  $s$ , of the compound is therefore  $1.3 \times 10^{-19} M$ . At equilibrium the concentration of  $\text{M}^{3+}$  must be  $2s$  and that of  $\text{X}^{2-}$  must be  $3s$ . (See Table 16.3 of the text.)

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{M}^{3+}]^2[\text{X}^{2-}]^3 = [2s]^2[3s]^3 = 108s^5$$

Since these are equilibrium concentrations, the value of  $K_{\text{sp}}$  can be found by simple substitution

$$K_{\text{sp}} = 108s^5 = 108(1.3 \times 10^{-19})^5 = \mathbf{4.0 \times 10^{-93}}$$

**8.12** *Step 1:* Write the equilibrium reaction. Then, from the equilibrium equation, write the solubility product expression.



$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{F}^-]^2$$

*Step 2:* A certain amount of calcium fluoride will dissociate in solution. Let's represent this amount as  $-s$ . Since one unit of  $\text{CaF}_2$  yields one  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  ion and two  $\text{F}^-$  ions, at equilibrium  $[\text{Ca}^{2+}]$  is  $s$  and  $[\text{F}^-]$  is  $2s$ . We summarize the changes in concentration as follows:

	$\text{CaF}_2 (s)$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{Ca}^{2+} (aq)$	$+$	$2 \text{F}^- (aq)$
Initial (M):			0		0
Change (M):	$-s$		$+s$		$+2s$
Equilibrium (M):			$s$		$2s$

Recall, that the concentration of a pure solid does not enter into an equilibrium constant expression. Therefore, the concentration of  $\text{CaF}_2$  is not important.

**Step 3:** Substitute the value of  $K_{\text{sp}}$  and the concentrations of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  and  $\text{F}^-$  in terms of  $s$  into the solubility product expression to solve for  $s$ , the molar solubility.

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{F}^-]^2$$

$$4.0 \times 10^{-11} = (s)(2s)^2$$

$$4.0 \times 10^{-11} = 4s^3$$

$$s = \text{molar solubility} = \mathbf{2.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol/L}}$$

The molar solubility indicates that  $2.2 \times 10^{-4}$  mol of  $\text{CaF}_2$  will dissolve in 1 L of an aqueous solution.

**8.13** Let  $s$  be the molar solubility of  $\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2$ . The equilibrium concentrations of the ions are then

$$[\text{Zn}^{2+}] = s \text{ and } [\text{OH}^-] = 2s$$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Zn}^{2+}][\text{OH}^-]^2 = (s)(2s)^2 = 4s^3 = 1.8 \times 10^{-14}$$

$$s = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1.8 \times 10^{-14}}{4}} = 1.7 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 2s = 3.4 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M and pOH} = 4.47$$

$$\mathbf{\text{pH} = 14.00 - 4.47 = 9.53}$$

If the  $K_{\text{sp}}$  of  $\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2$  were smaller by many more powers of ten, would  $2s$  still be the hydroxide ion concentration in the solution?

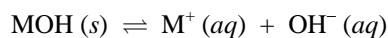
**8.14** First we can calculate the  $\text{OH}^-$  concentration from the pH.

$$\text{pOH} = 14.00 - \text{pH}$$

$$\text{pOH} = 14.00 - 9.68 = 4.32$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-\text{pOH}} = 10^{-4.32} = 4.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$$

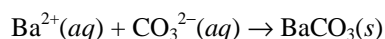
The equilibrium equation is:



From the balanced equation we know that  $[\text{M}^+] = [\text{OH}^-]$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{M}^+][\text{OH}^-] = (4.8 \times 10^{-5})^2 = \mathbf{2.3 \times 10^{-9}}$$

**8.15** According to the solubility rules, the only precipitate that might form is  $\text{BaCO}_3$ .



The number of moles of  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$  present in the original 20.0 mL of  $\text{Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2$  solution is

$$20.0 \text{ mL} \times \frac{0.10 \text{ mol Ba}^{2+}}{1 \text{ L soln}} \times \frac{1 \text{ L}}{1000 \text{ mL}} = 2.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol Ba}^{2+}$$

The total volume after combining the two solutions is 70.0 mL. The concentration of  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$  in 70 mL is

$$[\text{Ba}^{2+}] = \frac{2.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol Ba}^{2+}}{70.0 \text{ mL}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ mL}}{1 \text{ L soln}} = 2.9 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}$$

The number of moles of  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  present in the original 50.0 mL  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  solution is

$$50.0 \text{ mL} \times \frac{0.10 \text{ mol CO}_3^{2-}}{1 \text{ L soln}} \times \frac{1 \text{ L}}{1000 \text{ mL}} = 5.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol CO}_3^{2-}$$

The concentration of  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  in the 70.0 mL of combined solution is

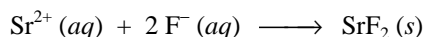
$$[\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = \frac{5.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol CO}_3^{2-}}{70.0 \text{ mL}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ mL}}{1 \text{ L soln}} = 7.1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}$$

Now we must compare  $Q$  and  $K_{\text{sp}}$ . From Table 16.2 of the text, the  $K_{\text{sp}}$  for  $\text{BaCO}_3$  is  $8.1 \times 10^{-9}$ . As for  $Q$ ,

$$Q = [\text{Ba}^{2+}][\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = (2.9 \times 10^{-2})(7.1 \times 10^{-2}) = 2.1 \times 10^{-3}$$

Since  $(2.1 \times 10^{-3}) > (8.1 \times 10^{-9})$ , then  $Q > K_{\text{sp}}$ . Therefore,  $\text{BaCO}_3$  will precipitate.

**8.16** The net ionic equation is:



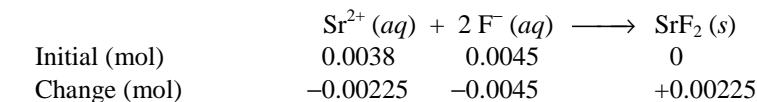
Let's find the limiting reagent in the precipitation reaction.

$$\text{Moles F}^{-} = 75 \text{ mL} \times \left( \frac{1 \text{ L}}{1000 \text{ mL}} \right) \left( \frac{0.060 \text{ mol}}{1 \text{ L}} \right) = 0.0045 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{Moles Sr}^{2+} = 25 \text{ mL} \times \left( \frac{1 \text{ L}}{1000 \text{ mL}} \right) \left( \frac{0.15 \text{ mol}}{1 \text{ L}} \right) = 0.0038 \text{ mol}$$

From the stoichiometry of the balanced equation, twice as many moles of  $\text{F}^{-}$  are required to react with  $\text{Sr}^{2+}$ . This would require 0.0076 mol of  $\text{F}^{-}$ , but we only have 0.0045 mol. Thus,  $\text{F}^{-}$  is the limiting reagent.

Let's assume that the above reaction goes to completion. Then, we will consider the equilibrium that is established when  $\text{SrF}_2$  partially dissociates into ions.



After reaction (mol)      0.00155      0      0.00225

Now, let's establish the equilibrium reaction. The total volume of the solution is 100 mL = 0.100 L. Divide the above moles by 0.100 L to convert to molar concentration.

	$\text{SrF}_2(s) \rightleftharpoons \text{Sr}^{2+}(aq) + 2\text{F}^-(aq)$	
Initial (M)	0.0225	0.0155      0
Change (M)	-x	+x      +2x
Equilibrium (M)	$0.0225 - x$	$0.0155 + x$ $2x$

Write the solubility product expression, then solve for x.

$$K_{sp} = [\text{Sr}^{2+}][\text{F}^-]^2$$

$$2.0 \times 10^{-10} = (0.0155 + x)(2x)^2 \approx (0.0155)(2x)^2$$

$$x = 5.7 \times 10^{-5} M$$

$$[\text{F}^-] = 2x = 1.1 \times 10^{-4} M$$

$$[\text{Sr}^{2+}] = 0.0155 + x = 0.016 M$$

Both sodium ions and nitrate ions are spectator ions and therefore do not enter into the precipitation reaction.

$$[\text{NO}_3^-] = \frac{2(0.0038) \text{ mol}}{0.10 \text{ L}} = 0.076 M$$

$$[\text{Na}^+] = \frac{0.0045 \text{ mol}}{0.10 \text{ L}} = 0.045 M$$

**8.17** The presence of a common ion decreases the solubility of weakly soluble ionic compounds. The presence of carbonate anion in a sodium carbonate solution will lower the solubility of calcium carbonate. Le Chatelier's principle explains this by noting the following equilibrium:  $\text{CaCO}_3 \rightarrow / \leftarrow \text{Ca}^{2+} + \text{CO}_3^{2-}$   
Adding carbonate anion will shift this equilibrium to the left, lowering the solubility of calcium carbonate.

**8.18** B is reasonable. D is reasonable. None of the others are reasonable statements.

**8.19** First let *s* be the molar solubility of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  in this solution.

	$\text{CaCO}_3(s) \rightleftharpoons \text{Ca}^{2+}(aq) + \text{CO}_3^{2-}(aq)$	
Initial (M):	0.050	0
Change (M):	+s	+s
Equilibrium (M):	$(0.050 + s)$	$s$

$$K_{sp} = [\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = (0.050 + s)s = 8.7 \times 10^{-9}$$

We can assume  $0.050 + s \approx 0.050$ , then

$$s = \frac{8.7 \times 10^{-9}}{0.050} = 1.7 \times 10^{-7} M$$

The mass of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  can then be found.

$$3.0 \times 10^2 \text{ mL} \left( \frac{1 \text{ L}}{1000 \text{ mL}} \right) \left( \frac{1.7 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mol}}{1 \text{ L}} \right) \left( \frac{100.1 \text{ g CaCO}_3}{1 \text{ mol}} \right) = 5.1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ g CaCO}_3$$

- 8.20 (a)** Set up a table to find the equilibrium concentrations in pure water.

	$\text{PbBr}_2 (s)$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{Pb}^{2+} (aq)$	$+$	$2 \text{ Br}^- (aq)$
Initial ( $M$ )			0		0
Change ( $M$ )	$-s$		$+s$		$+2s$
Equilibrium ( $M$ )			$s$		$2s$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{Br}^-]^2$$

$$8.9 \times 10^{-6} = (s)(2s)^2$$

$$s = \text{molar solubility} = \mathbf{0.013 M}$$

- (b)** Set up a table to find the equilibrium concentrations in  $0.20 M$   $\text{KBr}$ .  $\text{KBr}$  is a soluble salt that ionizes completely giving an initial concentration of  $\text{Br}^- = 0.20 M$ .

	$\text{PbBr}_2 (s)$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{Pb}^{2+} (aq)$	$+$	$2 \text{ Br}^- (aq)$
Initial ( $M$ )			0		0.20
Change ( $M$ )	$-s$		$+s$		$+2s$
Equilibrium ( $M$ )			$s$		$0.20 + 2s$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{Br}^-]^2$$

$$8.9 \times 10^{-6} = (s)(0.20 + 2s)^2$$

$$8.9 \times 10^{-6} \approx (s)(0.20)^2$$

$$s = \text{molar solubility} = \mathbf{2.2 \times 10^{-4} M}$$

Thus, the molar solubility of  $\text{PbBr}_2$  is reduced from  $0.013 M$  to  $2.2 \times 10^{-4} M$  as a result of the common ion ( $\text{Br}^-$ ) effect.

- (c)** Set up a table to find the equilibrium concentrations in  $0.20 M$   $\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ .  $\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2$  is a soluble salt that dissociates completely giving an initial concentration of  $[\text{Pb}^{2+}] = 0.20 M$ .

	$\text{PbBr}_2 (s)$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{Pb}^{2+} (aq)$	$+$	$2 \text{ Br}^- (aq)$
Initial ( $M$ ):			0.20		0
Change ( $M$ ):	$-s$		$+s$		$+2s$
Equilibrium ( $M$ ):			$0.20 + s$		$2s$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{Br}^-]^2$$

$$8.9 \times 10^{-6} = (0.20 + s)(2s)^2$$

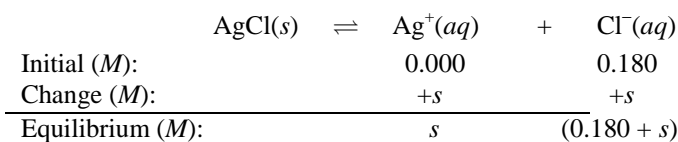
$$8.9 \times 10^{-6} \approx (0.20)(2s)^2$$

$$s = \text{molar solubility} = \mathbf{3.3 \times 10^{-3} M}$$

Thus, the molar solubility of  $\text{PbBr}_2$  is reduced from  $0.013 M$  to  $3.3 \times 10^{-3} M$  as a result of the common ion ( $\text{Pb}^{2+}$ ) effect.

**8.21** We first calculate the concentration of chloride ion in the solution.

$$[\text{Cl}^-] = \left( \frac{10.0 \text{ g CaCl}_2}{1 \text{ L soln}} \right) \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol CaCl}_2}{111.0 \text{ g CaCl}_2} \right) \left( \frac{2 \text{ mol Cl}^-}{1 \text{ mol CaCl}_2} \right) = 0.180 M$$



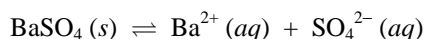
If we assume that  $(0.180 + s) \approx 0.180$ , then

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ag}^+][\text{Cl}^-] = 1.6 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$[\text{Ag}^+] = \frac{K_{\text{sp}}}{[\text{Cl}^-]} = \frac{1.6 \times 10^{-10}}{0.180} = 8.9 \times 10^{-10} M = s$$

The molar solubility of  $\text{AgCl}$  is  $\mathbf{8.9 \times 10^{-10} M}$ .

**8.22** The equilibrium reaction is:



For both parts of the problem:

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ba}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}] = 1.1 \times 10^{-10}$$

(a) In pure water, let  $[\text{Ba}^{2+}] = [\text{SO}_4^{2-}] = s$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ba}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]$$

$$1.1 \times 10^{-10} = s^2$$

$$s = \mathbf{1.0 \times 10^{-5} M}$$

The molar solubility of  $\text{BaSO}_4$  in pure water is  $1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol/L}$ .

(b) Assuming the molar solubility of  $\text{BaSO}_4$  to be  $s$ , then

$$[\text{Ba}^{2+}] = s M \quad \text{and} \quad [\text{SO}_4^{2-}] = (1.0 + s) M \approx 1.0 M$$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ba}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]$$

$$1.1 \times 10^{-10} = (s)(1.0)$$



$$s = 1.1 \times 10^{-10} M$$

Due to the common ion effect, the molar solubility of  $\text{BaSO}_4$  decreases to  $1.1 \times 10^{-10} \text{ mol/L}$  in  $1.0 M \text{ SO}_4^{2-}(aq)$  compared to  $1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol/L}$  in pure water.

- 8.23** In each entry a Lewis acid, such as  $\text{Ag}^+$ , joins with a Lewis base, such as  $\text{NH}_3$ . Acids and bases are attracted to each other, so these complexes have a high  $K_f$ .
- 8.24** The effect of complex ion formation will dramatically increase solubility of compounds, in most cases. As an example, silver(I) chloride will be quite soluble in a solution of potassium cyanide, due to sequestering of the silver ion by the basic cyanide anion. Silver(I) chloride is only sparingly soluble in deionized water.
- 8.25** First find the molarity of the copper(II) ion

$$\text{Moles CuSO}_4 = 2.50 \text{ g} \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{159.6 \text{ g}} \right) = 0.0157 \text{ mol}$$

$$[\text{Cu}^{2+}] = \frac{0.0157 \text{ mol}}{0.90 \text{ L}} = 0.0174 M$$

As in Example 16.15 of the text, the position of equilibrium will be far to the right. We assume essentially all the copper ion is complexed with  $\text{NH}_3$ . The  $\text{NH}_3$  consumed is  $4 \times 0.0174 M = 0.0696 M$ . The uncombined  $\text{NH}_3$  remaining is  $(0.30 - 0.0696) M$ , or  $0.23 M$ . The equilibrium concentrations of  $\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4^{2+}$  and  $\text{NH}_3$  are therefore **0.0174 M** and **0.23 M**, respectively. We find  $[\text{Cu}^{2+}]$  from the formation constant expression.

$$K_f = \frac{[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4^{2+}]}{[\text{Cu}^{2+}][\text{NH}_3]^4} = 5.0 \times 10^{13} = \frac{0.0174}{[\text{Cu}^{2+}][0.23]^4}$$

$$[\text{Cu}^{2+}] = 1.2 \times 10^{-13} M$$

- 8.26** In solution,  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$  ions will complex with  $\text{CN}^-$  ions. The concentration of  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$  will be determined by the following equilibrium

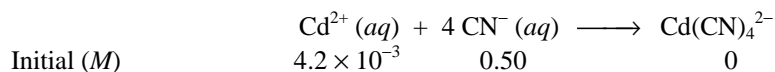


Since  $K_f$  is so large, this equilibrium lies far to the right. We can safely assume that all the  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$  reacts.

*Step 1:* Calculate the initial concentration of  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$  ions.

$$[\text{Cd}^{2+}]_0 = 0.50 \text{ g} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol Cd}(\text{NO}_3)_2}{236.42 \text{ g Cd}(\text{NO}_3)_2} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol Cd}}{1 \text{ mol Cd}(\text{NO}_3)_2} \times \frac{1}{0.50 \text{ L}} = 4.2 \times 10^{-3} M$$

*Step 2:* If we assume that the above equilibrium goes to completion, we can write



After reaction ( $M$ )                      0                      0.48                       $4.2 \times 10^{-3}$

**Step 3:** To find the concentration of free  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$  at equilibrium, use the formation constant expression.

$$K_f = \frac{[\text{Cd}(\text{CN})_4^{2-}]}{[\text{Cd}^{2+}][\text{CN}^-]^4}$$

Rearranging,

$$[\text{Cd}^{2+}] = \frac{[\text{Cd}(\text{CN})_4^{2-}]}{K_f[\text{CN}^-]^4}$$

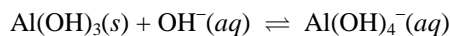
Substitute the equilibrium concentrations calculated above into the formation constant expression to calculate the equilibrium concentration of  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$ .

$$[\text{Cd}^{2+}] = \frac{[\text{Cd}(\text{CN})_4^{2-}]}{K_f[\text{CN}^-]^4} = \frac{4.2 \times 10^{-3}}{(7.1 \times 10^{16})(0.48)^4} = \mathbf{1.1 \times 10^{-18} M}$$

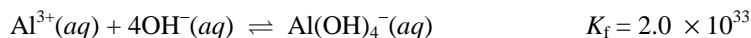
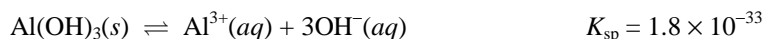
$$[\text{CN}^-] = 0.48 M + (1.1 \times 10^{-18} M) = \mathbf{0.48 M}$$

$$[\text{Cd}(\text{CN})_4^{2-}] = (4.2 \times 10^{-3} M) - (1.1 \times 10^{-18}) = \mathbf{4.2 \times 10^{-3} M}$$

**8.27** The reaction



is the sum of the two known reactions



The equilibrium constant is

$$K = K_{\text{sp}}K_f = (1.8 \times 10^{-33})(2.0 \times 10^{33}) = 3.6 = \frac{[\text{Al}(\text{OH})_4^-]}{[\text{OH}^-]}$$

When  $\text{pH} = 14.00$ ,  $[\text{OH}^-] = 1.0 M$ , therefore

$$[\text{Al}(\text{OH})_4^-] = K[\text{OH}^-] = 3.6 \times 1 = 3.6 M$$

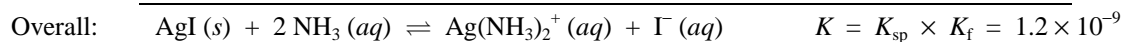
This represents the maximum possible concentration of the complex ion at  $\text{pH} 14.00$ . Since this is much larger than the initial  $0.010 M$ , the complex ion will be the predominant species.

**8.28** Silver iodide is only slightly soluble. It dissociates to form a small amount of  $\text{Ag}^+$  and  $\text{I}^-$  ions. The  $\text{Ag}^+$  ions then complex with  $\text{NH}_3$  in solution to form the complex ion  $\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2^+$ . The balanced equations are:

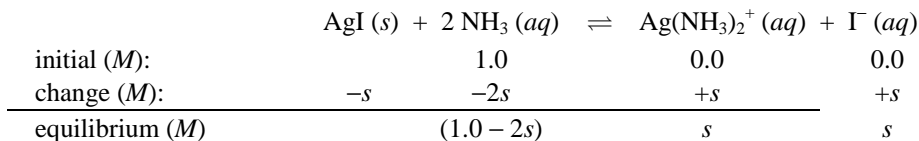




$$\frac{[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2^+]}{[\text{Ag}^+][\text{NH}_3]^2} = 1.5 \times 10^7$$



If  $s$  is the molar solubility of AgI then,



Because  $K_f$  is large, we can assume all of the silver ions exist as  $\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2^+$ . Thus,

$$[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2^+] = [\text{I}^-] = s$$

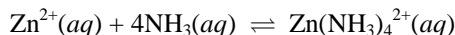
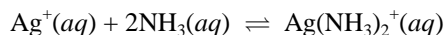
We can write the equilibrium constant expression for the above reaction, then solve for  $s$ .

$$K = 1.2 \times 10^{-9} = \frac{(s)(s)}{(1.0 - 2s)^2} \approx \frac{(s)(s)}{(1.0)^2}$$

$$s = 3.5 \times 10^{-5} M$$

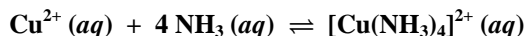
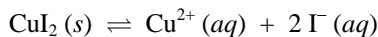
At equilibrium,  $3.5 \times 10^{-5}$  moles of AgI dissolves in 1 L of 1.0  $M$   $\text{NH}_3$  solution.

**8.29** The balanced equations are:



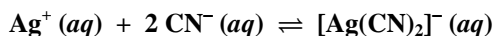
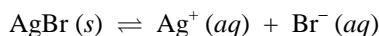
Zinc hydroxide forms a complex ion with excess  $\text{OH}^-$  and silver hydroxide does not; therefore, zinc hydroxide is soluble in 6  $M$  NaOH.

**8.30** (a) The equations are as follows:

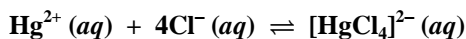
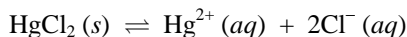


The ammonia combines with the  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  ions formed in the first step to form the complex ion  $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4]^{2+}$ , effectively removing the  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  ions, causing the first equilibrium to shift to the right (resulting in more  $\text{CuI}_2$  dissolving).

(b) Similar to part (a):



(c) Similar to parts (a) and (b).



**8.31** First, calculate the pH of the 2.00 M weak acid ( $\text{HNO}_2$ ) solution before any NaOH is added.

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{NO}_2^-]}{[\text{HNO}_2]}$$

$$4.5 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{x^2}{2.00 - x}$$

$$x = [\text{H}^+] = 0.030 \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log(0.030) = 1.52$$

Since the pH after the addition is 1.5 pH units greater, the new pH = 1.52 + 1.50 = 3.02.

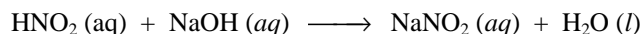
From this new pH, we can calculate the  $[\text{H}^+]$  in solution.

$$[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-\text{pH}} = 10^{-3.02} = 9.55 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$$

When the NaOH is added, we dilute our original 2.00 M  $\text{HNO}_2$  solution to:

$$\begin{aligned} M_1 V_1 &= M_F V_F \\ (2.00 \text{ M})(400 \text{ mL}) &= M_F (600 \text{ mL}) \\ M_F &= 1.33 \text{ M} \end{aligned}$$

Since we have not reached the equivalence point, we have a buffer solution. The reaction between  $\text{HNO}_2$  and NaOH is:



Since the mole ratio between  $\text{HNO}_2$  and NaOH is 1:1, the decrease in  $[\text{HNO}_2]$  is the same as the decrease in  $[\text{NaOH}]$ .

We can calculate the decrease in  $[\text{HNO}_2]$  by setting up the weak acid equilibrium. From the pH of the solution, we know that the  $[\text{H}^+]$  at equilibrium is  $9.55 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$ .

	$\text{HNO}_2 (aq)$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{H}^+ (aq)$	$+$	$\text{NO}_2^- (aq)$
Initial (M)	1.33		0		0
Change (M)	-x				+x
Equilibrium (M)	1.33 - x		$9.55 \times 10^{-4}$		x

We can calculate  $x$  from the equilibrium constant expression.

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{NO}_2^-]}{[\text{HNO}_2]}$$

$$4.5 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{(9.55 \times 10^{-4})(x)}{1.33 - x}$$

$$x = 0.426 M$$

Thus,  $x$  is the decrease in  $[\text{HNO}_2]$  which equals the concentration of added  $\text{OH}^-$ . However, this is the concentration of  $\text{NaOH}$  after it has been diluted to 600 mL. We need to correct for the dilution from

200 mL to 600 mL to calculate the concentration of the original  $\text{NaOH}$  solution.

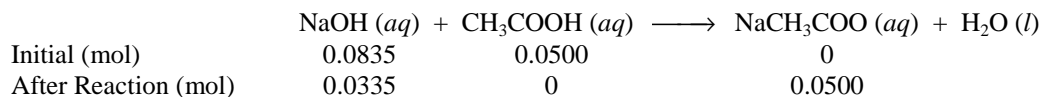
$$\begin{aligned} M_1 V_1 &= M_2 V_2 \\ M_1(200 \text{ mL}) &= (0.426 M)(600 \text{ mL}) \\ [\text{NaOH}] &= M_1 = \mathbf{1.28 M} \end{aligned}$$

**8.32** The resulting solution is not a buffer system. There is excess  $\text{NaOH}$  and the neutralization is well past the equivalence point. We have a solution of sodium acetate and sodium hydroxide.

$$\text{Moles NaOH} = 0.500 \text{ L} \left( \frac{0.167 \text{ mol}}{1 \text{ L}} \right) = 0.0835 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{Moles CH}_3\text{COOH} = 0.500 \text{ L} \left( \frac{0.100 \text{ mol}}{1 \text{ L}} \right) = 0.0500 \text{ mol}$$

The reaction between sodium hydroxide and acetic acid is:



Since the total volume of the solution is 1.00 L, we can convert the number of moles directly to molarity.

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{OH}^-] &= \mathbf{0.0335 M} \\ [\text{Na}^+] &= \mathbf{0.0335 M + 0.0500 M = 0.0835 M} \\ [\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-] &= \mathbf{0.0500 M} \end{aligned}$$

We can calculate the  $[\text{H}^+]$  from the  $[\text{OH}^-]$ .

$$[\text{H}^+] = \frac{K_w}{[\text{OH}^-]} = \frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{0.0335} = \mathbf{2.99 \times 10^{-13} M}$$

Finally, we can calculate the acetic acid concentration from the  $K_a$  expression.

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-]}{[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}]}$$

or,

$$[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}] = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-]}{K_a}$$

$$[\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}] = \frac{(2.99 \times 10^{-13})(0.0500)}{1.8 \times 10^{-5}} = \mathbf{8.3 \times 10^{-10} M}$$

- 8.33** A solubility equilibrium is an equilibrium between a solid (reactant) and its components (products: ions, neutral molecules, etc.) in solution. Only **(d)** represents a solubility equilibrium.

Consider part (b). Can you write the equilibrium constant for this reaction in terms of  $K_{sp}$  for calcium phosphate?

- 8.34** Since equal volumes of the two solutions were used, the initial molar concentrations will be halved.

$$[\text{Ag}^+] = \frac{0.12 M}{2} = 0.060 M$$

$$[\text{Cl}^-] = \frac{2(0.14 M)}{2} = 0.14 M$$

Let's assume that the  $\text{Ag}^+$  ions and  $\text{Cl}^-$  ions react completely to form  $\text{AgCl}(s)$ . Then, we will reestablish the equilibrium between  $\text{AgCl}$ ,  $\text{Ag}^+$ , and  $\text{Cl}^-$ .

	$\text{Ag}^+(aq)$	$+$	$\text{Cl}^-(aq)$	$\longrightarrow$	$\text{AgCl}(s)$
Initial ( $M$ )	0.060		0.14		0
Change ( $M$ )	-0.060		-0.060		+0.060
After reaction ( $M$ )	0		0.080		0.060

Now, setting up the equilibrium,

	$\text{AgCl}(s)$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{Ag}^+(aq)$	$+$	$\text{Cl}^-(aq)$
Initial ( $M$ ):	0.060		0		0.080
Change ( $M$ ):	- $s$		+ $s$		+ $s$
Equilibrium ( $M$ ):	$0.060 - s$		$s$		$0.080 + s$

Set up the  $K_{sp}$  expression to solve for  $s$ .

$$K_{sp} = [\text{Ag}^+][\text{Cl}^-]$$

$$1.6 \times 10^{-10} = (s)(0.080 + s)$$

$$s = 2.0 \times 10^{-9} M$$

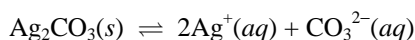
$$[\text{Ag}^+] = s = \mathbf{2.0 \times 10^{-9} M}$$

$$[\text{Cl}^-] = 0.080 M - s = \mathbf{0.080 M}$$

$$[\text{Zn}^{2+}] = \frac{0.14 M}{2} = \mathbf{0.070 M}$$

$$[\text{NO}_3^-] = \frac{0.12 M}{2} = \mathbf{0.060 M}$$

- 8.35** First we find the molar solubility and then convert moles to grams. The solubility equilibrium for silver carbonate is:



$$K_{sp} = [\text{Ag}^+]^2[\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = (2s)^2(s) = 4s^3 = 8.1 \times 10^{-12}$$

$$s = \left( \frac{8.1 \times 10^{-12}}{4} \right)^{1/3} = 1.3 \times 10^{-4} M$$

Converting from mol/L to g/L:

$$\left( \frac{1.3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}}{1 \text{ L soln}} \right) \left( \frac{275.8 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ mol}} \right) = \mathbf{0.036 \text{ g/L}}$$

**8.36** The equilibrium reaction is:

	$\text{Pb}(\text{IO}_3)_2 (aq)$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{Pb}^{2+} (aq)$	$+$	$2 \text{ IO}_3^- (aq)$
Initial ( <i>M</i> )			0		0.10
Change ( <i>M</i> )	$-2.4 \times 10^{-11}$		$+2.4 \times 10^{-11}$		$+2(2.4 \times 10^{-11})$
Equilibrium ( <i>M</i> )			$2.4 \times 10^{-11}$		$\approx 0.10$

Substitute the equilibrium concentrations into the solubility product expression to calculate  $K_{\text{sp}}$ .

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Pb}^{2+}][\text{IO}_3^-]^2$$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = (2.4 \times 10^{-11})(0.10)^2 = \mathbf{2.4 \times 10^{-13}}$$

**8.37**  $K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ba}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}] = 1.1 \times 10^{-10}$

$$[\text{Ba}^{2+}] = 1.0 \times 10^{-5} M$$

In 5.0 L, the number of moles of  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$  is

$$(5.0 \text{ L})(1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol/L}) = 5.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol Ba}^{2+} = 5.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol BaSO}_4$$

The number of grams of  $\text{BaSO}_4$  dissolved is

$$5.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol BaSO}_4 \times \frac{233.4 \text{ g BaSO}_4}{1 \text{ mol BaSO}_4} = 0.012 \text{ g BaSO}_4$$

In practice, even less  $\text{BaSO}_4$  will dissolve because the  $\text{BaSO}_4$  is not in contact with the entire volume of blood.  $\text{Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2$  is too soluble to be used for this purpose.

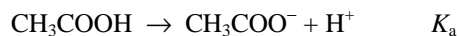
**8.38** (a)  $\text{H}^+ + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}$        $K = 1.0 \times 10^{14}$

(b)  $\text{H}^+ + \text{NH}_3 \rightarrow \text{NH}_4^+$

$$K = \frac{1}{K_a} = \frac{1}{5.6 \times 10^{-10}} = 1.8 \times 10^9$$

(c)  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^- + \text{H}_2\text{O}$

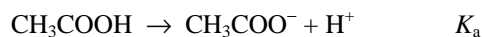
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$$K = \frac{K_a}{K_w} = \frac{1.8 \times 10^{-5}}{1.0 \times 10^{-14}} = 1.8 \times 10^9$$

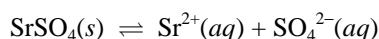


Broken into 2 equations:



$$K = \frac{K_a}{K_a'} = \frac{1.8 \times 10^{-5}}{5.6 \times 10^{-10}} = 3.2 \times 10^4$$

**8.39** Strontium sulfate is the more soluble of the two compounds. Therefore, we can assume that all of the  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  ions come from  $\text{SrSO}_4$ .

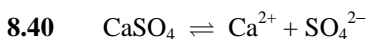


$$K_{sp} = [\text{Sr}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}] = s^2 = 3.8 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$s = [\text{Sr}^{2+}] = [\text{SO}_4^{2-}] = \sqrt{3.8 \times 10^{-7}} = \mathbf{6.2 \times 10^{-4} M}$$

For  $\text{BaSO}_4$ :

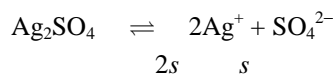
$$[\text{Ba}^{2+}] = \frac{K_{sp}}{[\text{SO}_4^{2-}]} = \frac{1.1 \times 10^{-10}}{6.2 \times 10^{-4}} = \mathbf{1.8 \times 10^{-7} M}$$



$$s^2 = 2.4 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$s = 4.9 \times 10^{-3} M$$

$$\text{Solubility: } 4.9 \times 10^{-3} \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}} \times \frac{136.2 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ mol}} = \mathbf{0.67 \text{ g/L}}$$



$$1.4 \times 10^{-5} = 4s^3$$

$$s = 0.015 M$$

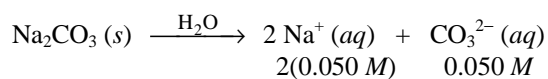
$$\text{Solubility: } 0.015 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}} \times \frac{311.1 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ mol}} = \mathbf{4.7 \text{ g/L}}$$

**Note:**  $\text{Ag}_2\text{SO}_4$  has a larger solubility.

**8.41** (a) This is a common ion ( $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ) problem.

The dissociation of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  is:





Let  $s$  be the molar solubility of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  in  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  solution. We summarize the changes as:

	$\text{CaCO}_3 (s)$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{Ca}^{2+} (aq)$	$+$	$\text{CO}_3^{2-}$
Initial ( $M$ )			0.00		0.050
Change ( $M$ )			$+s$		$+s$
Equil. ( $M$ )			$+s$		$0.050 + s$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{CO}_3^{2-}]$$

$$8.7 \times 10^{-9} = s(0.050 + s)$$

Since  $s$  is small, we can assume that  $0.050 + s \approx 0.050$

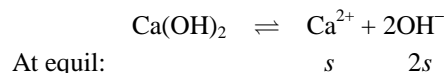
$$8.7 \times 10^{-9} = 0.050s$$

$$s = 1.7 \times 10^{-7} \text{ M}$$

Thus, the addition of washing soda to permanent hard water removes most of the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  ions as a result of the common ion effect.

(b)  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  is not removed by this procedure, because  $\text{MgCO}_3$  is fairly soluble ( $K_{\text{sp}} = 4.0 \times 10^{-5}$ ).

(c) The  $K_{\text{sp}}$  for  $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$  is  $8.0 \times 10^{-6}$ .



$$K_{\text{sp}} = 8.0 \times 10^{-6} = [\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{OH}^-]^2$$

$$4s^3 = 8.0 \times 10^{-6}$$

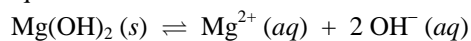
$$s = 0.0126 \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 2s = 0.0252 \text{ M}$$

$$\text{pOH} = -\log(0.0252) = 1.60$$

$$\text{pH} = 12.40$$

(d) The  $[\text{OH}^-]$  calculated above is  $0.0252 \text{ M}$ . At this rather high concentration of  $\text{OH}^-$ , most of the  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  will be removed as  $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$ . The small amount of  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  remaining in solution is due to the following equilibrium:



$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Mg}^{2+}][\text{OH}^-]^2$$

$$1.2 \times 10^{-11} = [\text{Mg}^{2+}](0.0252)^2$$

$$[\text{Mg}^{2+}] = 1.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ M}$$

(e) Remove  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  first because it is present in larger amounts.