

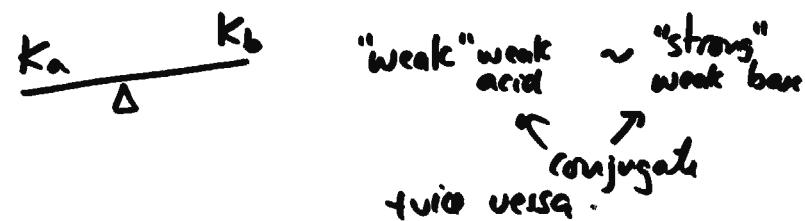
ex: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{CN}^- \quad K_b = ? \quad 2.0 \times 10^{-5} \\ \text{HCN}, \quad K_a = 4.9 \times 10^{-10} \quad @ 25^\circ \end{array} \right.$

$$K_a \cdot K_b = K_w \quad K_b = \frac{K_w}{K_a} = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-14}}{4.9 \times 10^{-10}} = 2.0 \times 10^{-5}$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{NH}_4^+, \quad K_a = ? \quad (5.6 \times 10^{-10}) \\ \text{NH}_3, \quad K_b = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} \end{array} \right.$

$$\boxed{K_a \cdot K_b = K_w} \Rightarrow K_a = \frac{K_w}{K_b} = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-14}}{1.8 \times 10^{-5}} = 5.6 \times 10^{-10}$$

↑ constant



Acid-Base properties of salts

↳ ionic cpd.

HA weak acid ACIDIC	A^- * BASIC *
B weak base BASIC	BH^+ * ACIDIC *

anions ~ basic

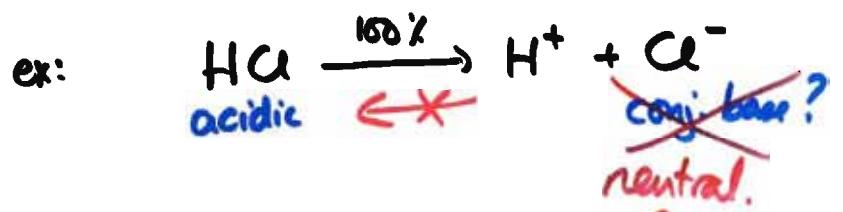
Cations ~ acidic

easy way to remember

$\text{OH}^- \sim \text{BASIC}$

$\text{H}^+/\text{H}_3\text{O}^+ \sim \text{ACIDIC}$

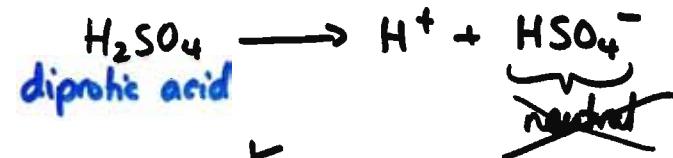
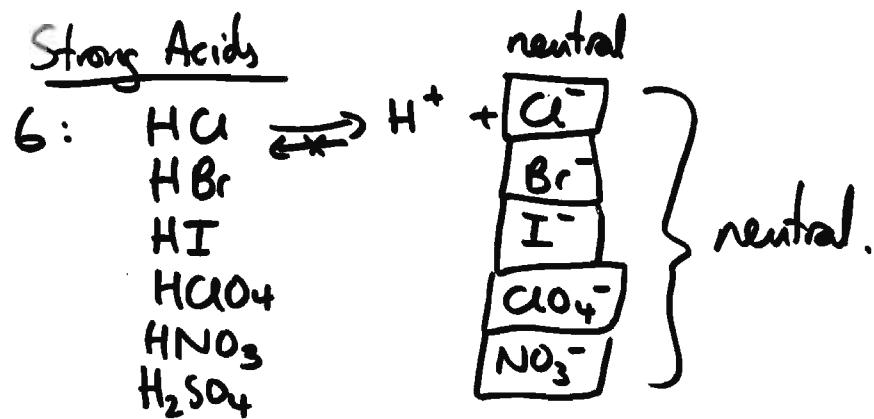
But, consider
+ STRONG acids
STRONG bases.



\Rightarrow Anions derived from STRONG acids are neutral.

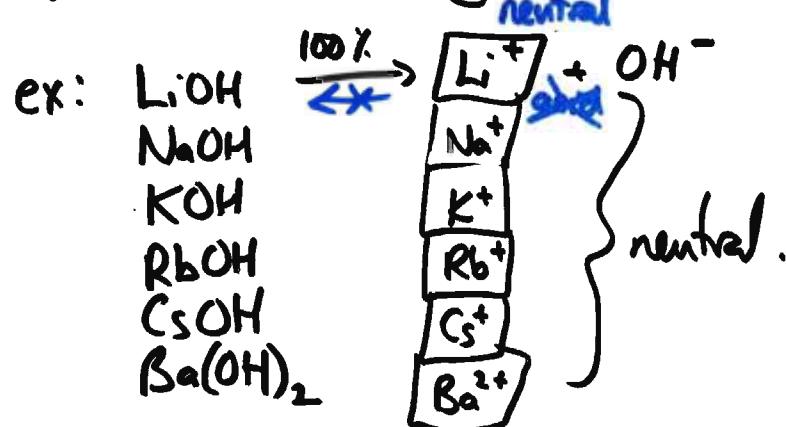
\Rightarrow Anions derived from weak acids are basic.

Strong Acids



- anions from polyprotic acids that still have H^+ to donate are acidic!

All cations are acidic, unless they come from a strong base, in which case they are neutral.



neutral

neutral

CATIONS

acidic

ANIONS

basic



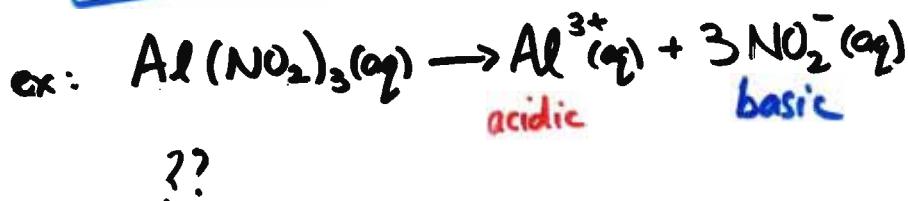
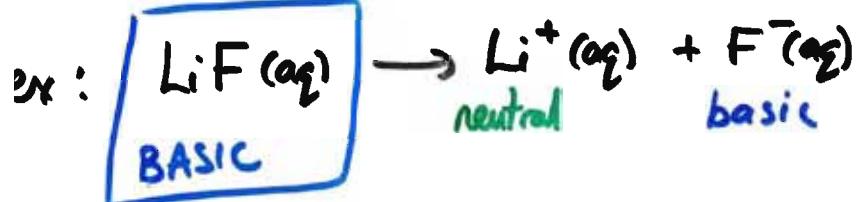
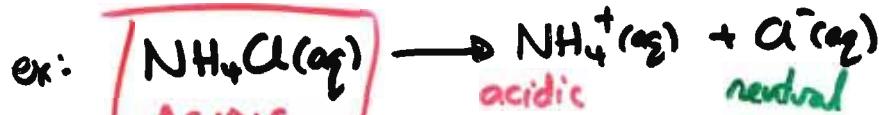
CATIONS from a strong base

neutral.



ANIONS from a strong acid

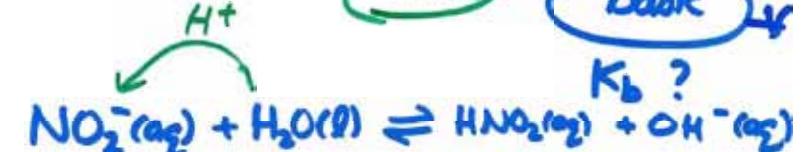
neutral



ACIDIC if $K_a(\text{Al}^{3+}) > K_b(\text{NO}_3^-)$
 BASIC if $K_b(\text{NO}_3^-) > K_a(\text{Al}^{3+})$
 NEUTRAL if $K_a(\text{Al}^{3+}) = K_b(\text{NO}_3^-)$

What's the pH of 0.10M $\text{NaNO}_3(\text{aq})$?

0.10M

0.10M
neutral0.10M
basic

I	0.10M	—	O	≈ 0
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C	$-x$	—	$+x$	$+x$
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E	$(0.10-x)$	—	(x)	(x)
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$$K_b = \frac{[\text{HNO}_3][\text{OH}^-]}{[\text{NO}_3^-]_{\text{eq}}}$$

~~$K_b(\text{NO}_3^-) = ?$~~

$$\boxed{2.2 \times 10^{-11}} = \frac{(x)(x)}{0.10-x}$$

$$\frac{\text{Ka} \cdot \text{Kb}}{\text{HNO}_3 \text{ NO}_3^-} = K_w$$

$$K_a(\text{HNO}_2) = 4.5 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\Rightarrow K_b(\text{NO}_2^-) = \frac{K_w}{K_a} = 2.2 \times 10^{-11}$$