

CONCEPT: SOLUBILITY PRODUCT CONSTANT (K_{sp})

- Recall, solubility is a chemical property that deals with the ability of a _____ to become dissolved in a _____.
- **Solubility Product Constant (K_{sp}):** The equilibrium constant that deals with the solubility of _____ solids.
 - Solubility can also be referred to as _____ or _____.
- ____ K_{sp} = _____ soluble solid.
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EXAMPLE: Which substance is the most soluble?

- a) AgCl K_{sp} = 1.6 x 10⁻¹⁰
- b) MgCO₃ K_{sp} = 3.5 x 10⁻⁸
- c) CaSO₄ K_{sp} = 7.1 x 10⁻⁵
- d) CuS K_{sp} = 8.5 x 10⁻⁴⁵

Equilibrium Expressions

- Placing an ionic solid within a solvent involves 2 competing processes: the _____ reaction and its reverse.



- From this equilibrium equation, its *equilibrium expression* can be determined.
- **Equilibrium expression:** The ratio of the concentrations of _____ over _____.
 - Recall, the equilibrium expression ignores _____ and _____ for its ratio.

EXAMPLE: Provide the equilibrium expression for calcium nitrate, Ca(NO₃)₂.

STEP 1: Write the equilibrium equation by breaking up the ionic solid into its _____ ions.



STEP 2: Using K_{sp}, write the equilibrium expression based on the equilibrium equation.

- Since the reactant is a solid, set it equal to ____ within the equilibrium expression.

$$K_{sp} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

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Calculating K_{sp} from Solubility

- If the solubility or _____ concentrations of ions within an ionic solid are known, the K_{sp} can be calculated.

EXAMPLE: Calculate the K_{sp} value for silver phosphate, Ag₃PO₄, which has a solubility of 1.8×10^{-18} at 25°C.

STEP 1: Write the equilibrium equation by breaking up the ionic solid into its _____ ions.

STEP 2: Write the equilibrium expression based on the equilibrium equation.

STEP 3: Make concentrations of the ions are equal to their _____ multiplied by the _____ variable.

STEP 4: Substitute the given solubility value for the _____ variable and solve for K_{sp}.

Calculating Solubility from K_{sp}

- Conversely, the solubility of an ionic solid can be determined when its K_{sp} value is already known.

EXAMPLE: The K_{sp} value for strontium fluoride, SrF₂, is 7.9×10^{-10} at 25°C. Calculate its solubility in M.

STEP 1: Write the equilibrium equation by breaking up the ionic solid into its _____ ions.

STEP 2: Write the equilibrium expression based on the equilibrium equation.

STEP 3: Solve for the solubility variable _____ based on the given K_{sp} value.

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PRACTICE: Determine the equilibrium expression of the barium nitride solid.

PRACTICE: Manganese (V) hydroxide has a measured solubility of 3.4×10^{-5} M at 25°C . Calculate its K_{sp} value.

PRACTICE: The K_{sp} value for strontium fluoride, SrF_2 , is 7.9×10^{-10} at 25°C . Calculate its solubility in g/L.