

**Solutions 9.7**  
**The Solubility Product Constant,  $K_{sp}$ , and Predicting Precipitates**  
**Worksheet**

- 1) The solubility product constant,  $K_{sp}$ , for nickel (II) carbonate is  $1.3 \times 10^{-7}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .
  - a. Write the balanced chemical equation for this dissolving process.
  - b. Write the equilibrium expression.
  - c. Find the maximum molar concentration of all ions in solution and the molar solubility of the solution.
  
- 2) The solubility product constant,  $K_{sp}$ , for calcium hydroxide is  $6.5 \times 10^{-6}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .
  - a. Write the balanced chemical equation for this dissociation in water.
  - b. Write the equilibrium expression.
  - c. Find the molar concentration of all ions in this solution and the molar solubility of the solution.
  - d. Calculate the maximum mass of calcium hydroxide that will dissolve in 100 mL of distilled water at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .
  
- 3) A 250 mL saturated solution of silver chloride is prepared at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ . The solubility product constant,  $K_{sp}$ , for silver chloride is  $1.8 \times 10^{-10}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .
  - a. Write the balanced chemical equation for this dissolving process.
  - b. Write the equilibrium expression.
  - c. Find the molar concentrations of all ions in this solution and the molar solubility of the solution.
  - d. What are the molar concentrations of all ions in a 500 mL saturated solution of silver chloride at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ?
  
- 4) At a certain temperature,  $9.5 \times 10^{-5}$  g of zinc carbonate will dissolve in 150 mL of water.
  - a. Write the balanced chemical equation for the dissociation of zinc carbonate in water.
  - b. Calculate the molar solubility of zinc carbonate in water at this temperature.
  - c. Calculate the value of the solubility product constant,  $K_{sp}$ , for zinc carbonate at this temperature.
  
- 5) A 1.0 L saturated solution of zinc hydroxide is prepared, and the concentration of  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  is measured to be  $4.22 \times 10^{-6}$  M at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .
  - a. Write the balanced chemical equation for the dissociation of zinc hydroxide in water.
  - b. Calculate the molar concentration of  $\text{OH}^-$  in solution.
  - c. Calculate the value of the solubility product constant,  $K_{sp}$ .
  - d. Calculate the maximum mass of zinc hydroxide that will dissolve in 150 mL of distilled water at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .
  - e. What is the molar concentration of  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  if 200 mL of water evaporates from the solution?

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- 6) The solubility product constant,  $K_{sp}$ , for barium sulfate is  $1.1 \times 10^{-10}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ . Will a precipitate of  $\text{BaSO}_4(s)$  form when 210 mL of  $4.75 \times 10^{-2} M \text{Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2$  is mixed with 315 mL of  $0.450 M \text{Li}_2\text{SO}_4$ .
  - 7) Find the solubility product constant for lead (II) iodide if the concentration of  $\text{I}^-$  is found to be  $1.25 \times 10^{-3} M$  when the solution is saturated.
  - 8) Use the  $K_{sp}$  value obtained in question 7 to determine if a precipitate will form when 350 mL of  $5.5 \times 10^{-2} M$  lead (II) nitrate is mixed with 250 mL of  $4.8 \times 10^{-2} M$  sodium iodide.
  - 9) Find the solubility product constant for copper (II) carbonate if the concentration of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  is found to be  $1.5 \times 10^{-6} M$  when the solution is saturated.
  - 10) Use the  $K_{sp}$  value obtained in question 9 to determine if a precipitate will form when 325 mL of  $0.50 \times 10^{-6} M$  copper (II) nitrate is mixed with 325 mL of  $0.50 \times 10^{-6} M$  potassium carbonate.
  - 11) If a  $0.50 M$  solution of  $\text{K}_2\text{SO}_4$  is slowly poured into a beaker containing  $0.25 M$  barium nitrate and  $0.30 M$  lead (II) nitrate at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ , what will be the first precipitate that forms?  $K_{sp}$  for barium sulfate is  $1.1 \times 10^{-10}$  and  $K_{sp}$  for lead (II) sulfate is  $1.6 \times 10^{-8}$ .
  - 12) If a  $0.50 M$  solution of  $\text{KOH}$  is slowly poured into a beaker containing  $0.35 M$  magnesium nitrate and  $0.032 M$  calcium nitrate at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ , what will be the first precipitate that forms?  $K_{sp}$  for calcium hydroxide is  $6.5 \times 10^{-6}$  and  $K_{sp}$  for magnesium hydroxide is  $6.3 \times 10^{-10}$ .