

Chapter 17 – Practice Problems with Solubility and  $K_{sp}$  – ANSWERS

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Solid	Balanced Equation	$K_{sp}$
barium carbonate	$\text{BaCO}_3(s) \rightleftharpoons \text{Ba}^{2+}(aq) + \text{CO}_3^{2-}(aq)$	$K_{sp} = [\text{Ba}^{2+}][\text{CO}_3^{2-}]$
calcium chromate	$\text{CaCrO}_4(s) \rightleftharpoons \text{Ca}^{2+}(aq) + \text{CrO}_4^{2-}(aq)$	$K_{sp} = [\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{CrO}_4^{2-}]$
silver sulfate	$\text{Ag}_2\text{SO}_4(s) \rightleftharpoons 2 \text{Ag}^+(aq) + \text{SO}_4^{2-}(aq)$	$K_{sp} = [\text{Ag}^+]^2[\text{SO}_4^{2-}]$
magnesium hydroxide	$\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2(s) \rightleftharpoons \text{Mg}^{2+}(aq) + 2 \text{OH}^-(aq)$	$K_{sp} = [\text{Mg}^{2+}][\text{OH}^-]^2$

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Name	Molar Mass (g/mol)	Solubility of the Solid Compound (g/L)	Cation concentration in a saturated solution (M)	Anion concentration in a saturated solution (M)
barium carbonate	197.34	0.014	$[\text{Ba}^{2+}] = 7.1 \times 10^{-5}$	$[\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = 7.1 \times 10^{-5}$
calcium chromate	156.08	0.010	$[\text{Ca}^{2+}] = 6.4 \times 10^{-5}$	$[\text{CrO}_4^{2-}] = 6.4 \times 10^{-5}$
silver sulfate	311.80	4.8	$[\text{Ag}^+] = 0.030$	$[\text{SO}_4^{2-}] = 0.015$
magnesium hydroxide	58.32	0.0096	$[\text{Mg}^{2+}] = 1.6 \times 10^{-4}$	$[\text{OH}^-] = 3.2 \times 10^{-4}$

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Name	Calculated value of $K_{sp}$
barium carbonate	$(7.1 \times 10^{-5})(7.1 \times 10^{-5}) = 5.0 \times 10^{-9}$
calcium chromate	$(6.4 \times 10^{-5})(6.4 \times 10^{-5}) = 4.1 \times 10^{-9}$
silver sulfate	$(0.030)^2(0.015) = 1.4 \times 10^{-5}$
magnesium hydroxide	$(1.6 \times 10^{-4})(3.2 \times 10^{-4})^2 = 1.6 \times 10^{-11}$

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Name	Formula	$K_{sp}$	Cation concentration in a saturated solution ( $M$ )	Anion concentration in a saturated solution ( $M$ )
barium carbonate	$\text{BaCO}_3$	$5.0 \times 10^{-9}$	$[\text{Ba}^{2+}] = 7.1 \times 10^{-5}$	$[\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = 7.1 \times 10^{-5}$
calcium sulfate	$\text{CaSO}_4$	$2.4 \times 10^{-5}$	$[\text{Ca}^{2+}] = 4.9 \times 10^{-3}$	$[\text{SO}_4^{2-}] = 4.9 \times 10^{-3}$
silver carbonate	$\text{Ag}_2\text{CO}_3$	$8.1 \times 10^{-12}$	$[\text{Ag}^+] = 2.6 \times 10^{-4}$	$[\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = 1.3 \times 10^{-4}$
zinc hydroxide	$\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2$	$3.0 \times 10^{-16}$	$[\text{Zn}^{2+}] = 4.2 \times 10^{-6}$	$[\text{OH}^-] = 8.4 \times 10^{-6}$

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Formula	Equation that shows why the solid is more soluble in an acidic solution
$\text{PbF}_2$	$\text{PbF}_2 + 2 \text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{Pb}^{2+} + 2 \text{HF}$
$\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$	$\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2 + 2 \text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{Ni}^{2+} + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}$
$\text{CaCO}_3$	$\text{CaCO}_3 + 2 \text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{Ca}^{2+} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{CO}_2$
$\text{CuS}$	$\text{CuS} + 2 \text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{Cu}^{2+} + \text{H}_2\text{S}$

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(a)  $M_1V_1 = M_2V_2$   $M_1V_1 = M_2V_2$

$(5.0 \times 10^{-4} M)(50.0 \text{ mL}) = (M_2)(100.0 \text{ mL})$   $(3.0 \times 10^{-3} M)(50.0 \text{ mL}) = (M_2)(100.0 \text{ mL})$

$[\text{Ca}^{2+}] = 2.5 \times 10^{-4} M$   $[\text{F}^-] = 1.5 \times 10^{-3} M$

(b)  $Q = [\text{Ca}^{2+}][\text{F}^-]^2 = (2.5 \times 10^{-4})(1.5 \times 10^{-3})^2 = 5.6 \times 10^{-10}$

(c) A precipitate of  $\text{CaF}_2$  **will** form in the beaker because the value of  $Q$  is **more** than the value of  $K_{sp}$ .