

CHEMISTRY

UNIT: 6

SALTS

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Q: Define Salts and how are they formed?

Salts:

Definition Salt is an ionic compound formed through the electrostatic attraction between oppositely charged ions (cations and anions).

Formation of Salts

From Acid and Base reaction:

Acid + Base \rightarrow Salt + Water

Example:



Process of Formation:

- Base provides positive ions (cations).
- Acid provides negative ions (anions).
- Cation and anion develop electrostatic attraction.
- As a result, salt is formed.

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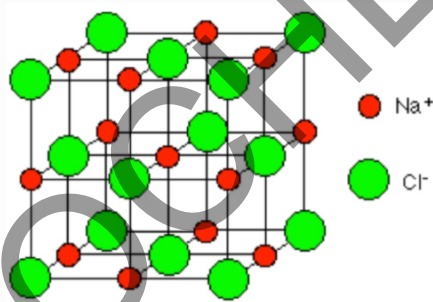
Q: What is the physical state and melting point of solids at STP. And what is the Lattice structure of ionic compounds?

Physical State & Melting Point of Salts (at STP)

- STP means 0 °C temperature and 1 atm pressure.
- At standard temperature and pressure (STP), salts are solids.
- They are held together by strong electrostatic forces between oppositely charged ions.
- Because of these strong forces, salts have a high melting and boiling point.

Lattice Structure of Ionic Compounds

- Ionic compounds are crystalline solids with an ordered and repeating arrangement of ions.
- They form a 3-D crystal lattice structure.
- The lattice is held together by strong ionic (electrostatic) bonds between cations and anions.



Q: explain electrical conductivity, high melting and boiling points and hardness and bitterness of ionic compounds.?

1. Electrical Conductivity of Ionic Compounds

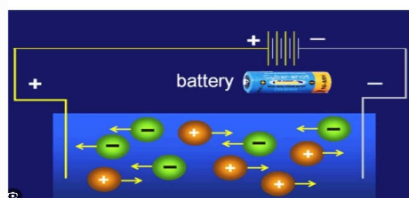
Electricity needs moving charged particles.

- In ionic compounds, the charges are the **ions**.
- When solid → ions are locked in the lattice → no movement → no conduction.
- When molten or dissolved → ions move freely → conduction happens.

So the movement of free ions is the only reason for their electrical conductivity.

- Example: Molten NaCl conducts, but solid NaCl does not.
- Ionic compounds conduct electricity because their ions are free to move in molten state or solution.
- Solid state: They do not conduct electricity because ions are fixed in the rigid lattice and cannot move.
- Example: Molten NaCl conducts, but solid NaCl does not.

Electrical Conductivity



2. High Melting and Boiling Points

- Ionic compounds have strong electrostatic forces between oppositely charged ions.
- A large amount of energy is required to break these bonds.
- Therefore, they have high melting and boiling points (e.g., NaCl melts at $\sim 801^{\circ}\text{C}$).

3. Hardness and Brittleness

- Ionic compounds are hard due to their strong lattice structure.
- But they are also brittle: when force is applied, like charges (cation–cation or anion–anion) are forced close, causing repulsion → lattice breaks easily.
- Example salts: NaCl, KBr, CaCO_3 .

Q: What is the preparation, separation, and purification of soluble salts?

It means making a salt, then removing extra substances, and finally getting pure salt crystals.

We use different methods depending on the reactants:

- Titration – using acid and alkali
- Excess metal – using acid and metal
- Excess insoluble base – using acid and base
- Excess insoluble carbonate – using acid and carbonate

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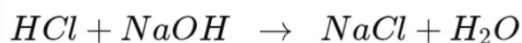
Q: How Is a sodium chloride NaCl prepared, using the titration of an acid and alkali.?

Preparation of Sodium Chloride (NaCl) by Titration

Sodium chloride is prepared by reacting hydrochloric acid (HCl) with sodium hydroxide (NaOH) through titration. Titration analyte is the solution of unknown concentration taken in the flask to be measured.

Reaction (Neutralization):

Acid + Base \rightarrow Salt + Water



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Method:

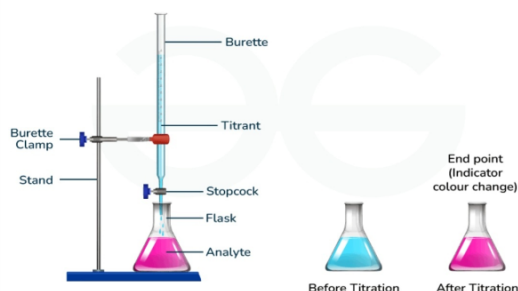
- Take HCl (acid) of unknown concentration in a conical flask.
- Add a few drops of phenolphthalein indicator (turns pink in base, colourless in acid).
- Fill burette with NaOH solution (base) of known concentration.
- Add NaOH slowly until the pink colour just disappears \rightarrow neutralization point reached.
- (NaOH = titrant, HCl = analyte).
- (Titrant \rightarrow the solution of known strength that we add from the burette).
- (Analyte \rightarrow the solution of unknown strength that we measure in the flask).

Formation of Salt:

- The solution now contains NaCl (salt) + water.
- On evaporation/crystallization, pure NaCl crystals are obtained.

Titration

Acid-Base Titration



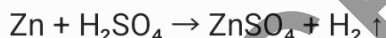
Q: How is zinc sulphate (ZnSO₄) prepared using excess metal?

Preparation of Zinc Sulphate by Excess Metal Method

Zinc sulphate can be prepared by reacting zinc metal (Zn) with dilute sulphuric acid (H₂SO₄).

Reaction:

Metal + Acid \rightarrow Salt + Hydrogen gas



Method:

- Take dilute sulphuric acid in a beaker.
- Add excess zinc metal pieces to the acid. Until (bubbles of hydrogen gas) will be observed.
- Continue until some zinc remains unreacted, showing that the acid has been fully used.
- Filter to remove extra zinc.
- Collect the filtrate
- Heat the solution, then allow to cool so that pure zinc sulphate crystals form.

Formation of Salt:

The final product is zinc sulphate (ZnSO₄) crystals along with hydrogen gas released during the reaction.



Q: How is copper(II) sulphate (CuSO_4) prepared using an excess insoluble base?

Preparation of Copper(II) Sulphate by Excess Insoluble Base Method

Copper(II) sulphate can be prepared by reacting copper(II) oxide (CuO) with dilute sulphuric acid (H_2SO_4).

Reaction:

Base (insoluble) + Acid \rightarrow Salt + Water



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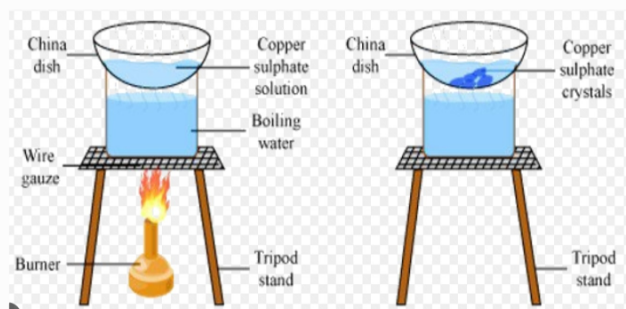
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Method (short & simple):

- Put dilute sulphuric acid in a beaker.
- Add excess copper(II) oxide; it reacts and forms copper sulphate + water.
- Keep adding until no more dissolves (acid is fully used).
- Filter to remove extra CuO .
- Heat the filtrate and let it cool \rightarrow blue crystals of CuSO_4 form.

Formation of Salt:

The final product is copper(II) sulphate crystals and water.



Q: How is calcium chloride (CaCl_2) prepared using an excess insoluble carbonate?

Preparation of Calcium Chloride by Excess Insoluble Carbonate Method

Calcium chloride can be prepared by reacting calcium carbonate (CaCO_3) with dilute hydrochloric acid (HCl).

Reaction:

Carbonate (insoluble) + Acid \rightarrow Salt + Carbon dioxide + Water



Method ;

- Put dilute hydrochloric acid in a beaker.
- Add excess calcium carbonate; bubbles of CO_2 gas appear.
- Keep adding until fizzing stops (acid fully used).
- Filter to remove extra CaCO_3 .
- Heat the filtrate and let it cool \rightarrow crystals of CaCl_2 form.

Formation of Salt:

The final product is calcium chloride crystals, with carbon dioxide gas released.

Q: What are soluble and insoluble salts? Give the main rules of solubility.

- **Soluble salts** dissolve in water at room temperature.
- **Insoluble salts** do not dissolve in water at room temperature.

Rules of Solubility :

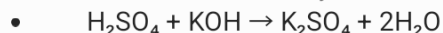
- All sodium, potassium, and ammonium salts are soluble.
- All nitrates are soluble.
- Most chlorides are soluble, except PbCl_2 and AgCl .
- Most carbonates are insoluble, except sodium, potassium, ammonium carbonates.
- Most sulphates are soluble, except PbSO_4 , BaSO_4 , CaSO_4 (slightly soluble).

SLO Questions – Unit 6

1) Acid + Base → Salt + Water



Hydrochloric acid + Sodium hydroxide → Sodium chloride + Water



Sulfuric acid + Potassium hydroxide → Potassium sulfate + Water



Sulfuric acid + Magnesium hydroxide → Magnesium sulfate + Water



Hydrochloric acid + Potassium hydroxide → Potassium chloride + Water

2) Metal + Acid → Salt + H_2



Zinc + Sulfuric acid → Zinc sulfate + Hydrogen



Copper + Sulfuric acid → Copper sulfate + Hydrogen



Iron + Sulfuric acid → Iron sulfate + Hydrogen



Zinc + Hydrochloric acid → Zinc chloride + Hydrogen



Copper + Hydrochloric acid → Copper chloride + Hydrogen

3) Metal Oxide + Acid → Salt + Water



Copper(II) oxide + Sulfuric acid → Copper sulfate + Water



Magnesium oxide + Hydrochloric acid → Magnesium chloride + Water

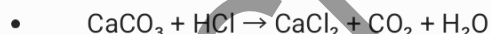


Calcium oxide + Sulfuric acid → Calcium sulfate + Water

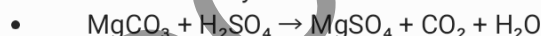


Magnesium oxide + Sulfuric acid → Magnesium sulfate + Water

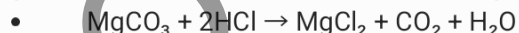
4) Metal Carbonate + Acid → Salt + CO_2 + H_2O



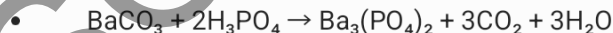
Calcium carbonate + Hydrochloric acid → Calcium chloride + Carbon dioxide + Water



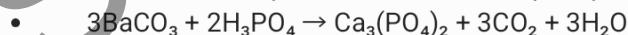
Magnesium carbonate + Sulfuric acid → Magnesium sulfate + Carbon dioxide + Water



Magnesium carbonate + Hydrochloric acid → Magnesium chloride + Carbon dioxide + Water



Barium carbonate + Phosphoric acid → Barium phosphate + Carbon dioxide + Water



Calcium carbonate + Phosphoric acid → Calcium phosphate + Carbon dioxide + Water

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Difference between Soluble and Insoluble Salts

Aspect	Soluble Salts	Insoluble Salts
Definition	Dissolve in water	Do not dissolve in water
Uses	Fertilizers (KNO_3 , $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$), table salt (NaCl)	Construction (CaCO_3), pigments (PbSO_4)
Conductivity	Form electrolytes \rightarrow conduct electricity in solution	Poor conductivity in water
Examples	NaCl , KNO_3	AgCl , BaSO_4

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CONCEPT ASSESSMENT: 6.1

Q: Which of the following salts are insoluble: Silver chloride, Barium sulphate, Sodium nitrate, Ammonium carbonate, and Lead nitrate?

Answer:

- Insoluble salts: Silver chloride (AgCl), Barium sulphate (BaSO_4)
- The others (Sodium nitrate, Ammonium carbonate, Lead nitrate) are soluble.

So, the correct insoluble salts are AgCl and BaSO_4 .

Exercise: Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)

i. Which of the following salts is soluble in water?

- a) Silver chloride (AgCl)
- b) Lead carbonate (PbCO_3)
- c) Sodium nitrate (NaNO_3) ✓
- d) Lead chloride (PbCl_2)

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ii. What type of ions do bases provide for salt formation?

- a) Negative ions
- b) Positive ions ✓
- c) Neutral molecules
- d) Complex ions

iii. What is the primary reason salts have high melting points?

- a) Weak van der Waals forces
- b) Strong electrostatic forces ✓
- c) Hydrogen bonding
- d) Covalent bonding

iv. In what state are salts generally good conductors of electricity?

- a) Solid
- b) Gas
- c) Molten ✓
- d) Powdered

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v. Which of the following is a general solubility rule for chlorides?

- a) All chlorides are insoluble
- b) All chlorides are soluble
- c) Chlorides are soluble except lead and silver chlorides ✓
- d) Chlorides are soluble except sodium and potassium chlorides

vi. What happens to the ions in a salt when it is dissolved in water?

- a) They form a gas
- b) They become fixed in place
- c) They become mobile ✓
- d) They form a solid

vii. Which of the following methods is used to prepare a salt by titration?

- a) Acid + Metal
- b) Acid + Insoluble Base
- c) Acid + Insoluble Carbonate
- d) Acid + Alkali ✓

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viii. Which of these salts is insoluble in water?

- a) Potassium carbonate (K_2CO_3)
- b) Ammonium nitrate (NH_4NO_3)
- c) Calcium chloride ($CaCl_2$)
- d) Lead chloride ($PbCl_2$) ✓

ix. What is formed when an acid reacts with an excess of an insoluble base?

- a) Salt and hydrogen
- b) Salt and water ✓
- c) Salt and carbon dioxide
- d) Salt and oxygen

x. Which ion is commonly found in soluble nitrates?

- a) NH_4^+
- b) NO_3^- ✓
- c) Cl^-
- d) CO_3^{2-}

Exercise Short Questions Answers

i) What is a salt (in terms of ions)?

Definition:

- An ionic compound made of positive ions (cations) and negative ions (anions).
- Formed when H^+ of an acid is replaced by a metal or NH_4^+ (neutralization).
- Overall electrically neutral (total + = total -).

Example: NaCl (Sodium chloride), KNO_3 (Potassium nitrate).

ii) Why do salts have high melting points?

Reason:

- Ions are held by strong electrostatic forces (ionic bonds).
- Arranged in a tight giant lattice \rightarrow hard to separate.
- Needs a lot of heat energy to overcome these forces.

Example: NaCl melts at $\sim 801^\circ C$.

iii) Describe the lattice of an ionic compound.

Definition:

- Regular 3-D repeating arrangement of ions.
- Alternating cations and anions (each surrounded by opposite charges).
- Forms a rigid, brittle, giant ionic structure.

Example: NaCl lattice structure (cube arrangement).

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iv) How do salts conduct electricity when molten or in solution?

Reason:

- In solid state \rightarrow ions are fixed \rightarrow no conduction.
- In molten/aqueous state \rightarrow ions separate and move freely.
- Moving ions carry charge, so the liquid conducts.

Example: Molten NaCl conducts, but solid NaCl does not.

v) List three salts generally soluble in water.

Examples:

- Sodium chloride (NaCl).
- Potassium nitrate (KNO_3).
- Ammonium sulphate ($(NH_4)_2SO_4$).

vi) What happens to ions when an ionic compound dissolves?

Process:

- The crystal dissociates into free ions.
- Water molecules surround (hydrate) the ions.
- Ions become mobile, so the solution can conduct.

Example: $NaCl \rightarrow Na^+(aq) + Cl^-(aq)$.

vii) Are most carbonates soluble in water?

Definition:

- No, most carbonates are insoluble.

Exceptions:

- Sodium carbonate (Na_2CO_3).
- Potassium carbonate (K_2CO_3).
- Ammonium carbonate ($(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{CO}_3$).

Reason:

- Most carbonates have very strong lattice forces that water cannot break.

viii) How to prepare a soluble salt using excess insoluble base?

Method (e.g., $\text{CuO} + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$):

- Add insoluble base to dilute acid until some base remains (acid all used up).
- Filter off unreacted base \rightarrow get salt solution.
- Evaporate and cool \rightarrow salt crystals form.

Example: $\text{CuO} + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow \text{CuSO}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (Copper sulfate).

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ix) Which salts are typically soluble (general rules)?

Rules:

- All nitrates (NO_3^-) are soluble.
- All sodium, potassium, and ammonium salts are soluble.
- Most chlorides are soluble except AgCl and PbCl_2 .
- Most sulfates are soluble except PbSO_4 and BaSO_4 (CaSO_4 only slightly soluble).

Examples:

- Soluble: NaNO_3 , KCl , $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$.
- Insoluble: AgCl , PbSO_4 , BaSO_4 .