



DPP-14 (Selective Precipitation)-Solution

Chapter: Ionic Equilibrium

“Someone else is training while you’re overthinking. Guess who wins?”

GROUP-A : Ionic Product vs K_{sp}

Q1. In which case solution of AgSCN will be unsaturated :-

Compare ionic product (IP) with K_{sp} .

Unsaturated condition:

$$[\text{Ag}^+][\text{SCN}^-] < K_{sp}$$

Correct option: (2)

Q2. Precipitate of CaF_2 is obtained when equal volumes are mixed :-

After mixing equal volumes, concentrations become **half**. Check ionic product vs K_{sp} .

Option (3): Final $[\text{Ca}^{2+}] = 5 \times 10^{-5}$, Final $[\text{F}^-] = 5 \times 10^{-4}$

$$IP = (5 \times 10^{-5})(5 \times 10^{-4})^2 = 1.25 \times 10^{-11} > K_{sp}$$

Hence precipitation occurs.

Correct option: (3)

Q3. When HCl gas is passed through saturated NaCl solution, pure NaCl precipitates because :-

Addition of common ion increases ionic product.

HCl increases $[\text{Cl}^-]$

$$[\text{Na}^+][\text{Cl}^-] > K_{sp} \Rightarrow \text{NaCl precipitates}$$

Correct option: (3)

Q4. Which precipitates when H_2S is passed :-

Check ionic product for both sulfides.

CuS:

$$IP = 0.01 \times 8.1 \times 10^{-21} = 8.1 \times 10^{-23} > K_{sp}(8 \times 10^{-36})$$

ZnS:

$$IP = 8.1 \times 10^{-23} < 3 \times 10^{-22}$$

Correct option: (2) CuS

Q5. **CuS precipitates first because :-**

Lower K_{sp} precipitates first.

Correct option: (3)

Q6. **Why As^{3+} precipitates but Zn^{2+} does not in acidic medium :-**

Acidic medium suppresses $[S^{2-}]$.

Only salt with **very low** K_{sp} can precipitate at low $[S^{2-}]$. As_2S_3 has much smaller K_{sp} than ZnS.

Correct option: (3)

Q7. **Will precipitation occur if pH of 0.001 M $Mg(NO_3)_2$ is adjusted to 9?**

Find $[OH^-]$ from pH and compare IP.

$$pH = 9 \Rightarrow pOH = 5 \Rightarrow [OH^-] = 10^{-5}$$

$$IP = (10^{-3})(10^{-5})^2 = 10^{-13} < K_{sp}$$

Correct option: (2)

Q8. **Maximum $[OH^-]$ without precipitation :-**

Use $K_{sp} = [Mg^{2+}][OH^-]^2$.

$$9 \times 10^{-12} = 0.01 \times [OH^-]^2 \Rightarrow [OH^-] = 3 \times 10^{-5}$$

Correct option: (4)

GROUP-B : First / Last Precipitation

Q9. Order of precipitation of hydroxides :-

Smaller K_{sp} precipitates first.

Correct option: (1) $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3$, $\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2$, $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$

Q10. Which salt precipitates last on adding AgNO_3 ?

Largest K_{sp} precipitates last.

Correct option: (1) AgCl

GROUP-C : Precipitation Requirement

Q11. Concentration of H_2SO_4 required to precipitate BaSO_4 :-

Use $K_{sp} = [\text{Ba}^{2+}][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]$.

$$1 \times 10^{-9} = 0.01 \times [\text{SO}_4^{2-}] \Rightarrow [\text{SO}_4^{2-}] = 10^{-7}$$

Correct option: (3)

Q12. Concentration of iodide when AgCl just starts precipitating :-

Find $[\text{Ag}^+]$ at AgCl precipitation, then apply AgI equilibrium.

AgCl starts when

$$[\text{Ag}^+] = \frac{K_{sp}(\text{AgCl})}{[\text{Cl}^-]} = \frac{10^{-10}}{0.06} = 1.67 \times 10^{-9}$$

Now for AgI :

$$[\text{I}^-] = \frac{4 \times 10^{-16}}{1.67 \times 10^{-9}} \approx 2.4 \times 10^{-7}$$

Correct option: (2)

Weird Chemist Rule: Jiska K_{sp} sabse chhota — wahi sabse pehle girta.