

Unless otherwise specified, each question is worth 4 points.

1. What is the pH of a 0.50 M KOH solution? SOLUBLE
 STRONG BASE; $[OH^-] = [KOH]$
 $pOH = -\log(0.50) = 0.30$; $pH + pOH = 14.00$
 $pH = 13.70$

2. What is the pH of a 0.50 M $NH_3(aq)$ solution? K_b for $NH_3 = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$.

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| | $NH_3 + H_2O \rightleftharpoons NH_4^+ + OH^-$ | | | |
| INIT | 0.50 | — | \emptyset | $\sim \emptyset$ |
| Rxn | -x | — | +x | +x |
| EQUIL. | 0.50-x | — | x | x |

$K_b = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} = \frac{x^2}{0.50-x} \approx \frac{x^2}{0.50}$; $x = 0.00190$

$pOH = -\log(0.00190) = 2.72 \rightarrow pH = 11.28$

3. Identify each of the following solutions as acidic, basic, or neutral:

- a. $NH_4Cl(aq)$ (CONJ. ACID OF WEAK BASE) acidic basic neutral
- b. $Na_2SO_3(aq)$ (CONJ. BASE OF WEAK ACID) acidic basic neutral
- c. $Fe_2O_3(aq)$ (METAL OXIDE) acidic basic neutral
- d. $CO_2(aq)$ (COVALENT OXIDE) acidic basic neutral

4. Identify (circle) the strongest acid in each set of acids:

- a. H_3PO_4 H_3PO_3 H_3PO_2 (MORE O ON ACID)
- b. $HOOCCH_2F$ $HOOCCH_2Cl$ $HOOCCH_2Br$
 MOST ELECTRONEGATIVE

